

Suicide in Idaho: Fact Sheet

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- In 2017, there were 47,173 deaths by suicide in the United States, an average of 1 person every 11 minutes.
- Idaho is consistently among the states with the highest suicide rates. In 2017, Idaho had the 5th highest suicide rate in the U.S. with a rate of 22.9, 58% higher than the national average.
- Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death for Idahoans ages 15-34 and for males up to age 44.
- Between 2013-2017, 110 Idaho school children (ages 6-18 years old) died by suicide; 25 of those deaths were among children age 14 or younger.
- In 2017, an estimated 6,400 adults ages 18 and up attempted suicide in Idaho; resulting in an attempt rate of 613.6 per 100,000.

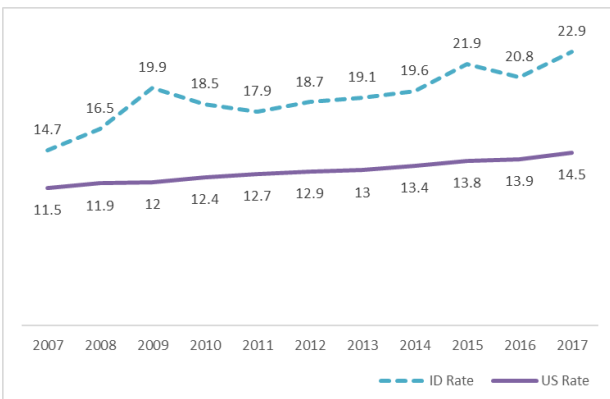
Idaho Resident Suicides By Public Health District

*Rate per 100,000 population

District	Anchor City	Suicides 2017	Rate (per 100,000)	Population 2017	Suicides 2013-2017	5-Year Average Rate
1	Coeur D'Alene	57	24.3+	234,845	251	22.2
2	Lewiston	24	22.1-	108,520	130	24.2
3	Nampa	76	26.8+	283,184	273	20.0
4	Boise	97	19.3-	501,649	460	19.2
5	Twin Falls	52	26.4+	196,712	215	22.3
6	Pocatello	41	23.8-	172,451	210	24.7
7	Idaho Falls	46	20.9+	219,577	195	18.3
Idaho Overall		393	22.9+	1,716,943	1,734	20.9

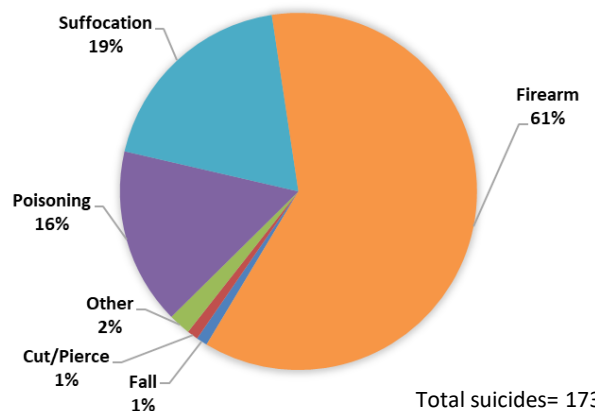
+ Increase from 2016, - Decrease from 2016

Idaho & US Rates by Year: 2007-2017



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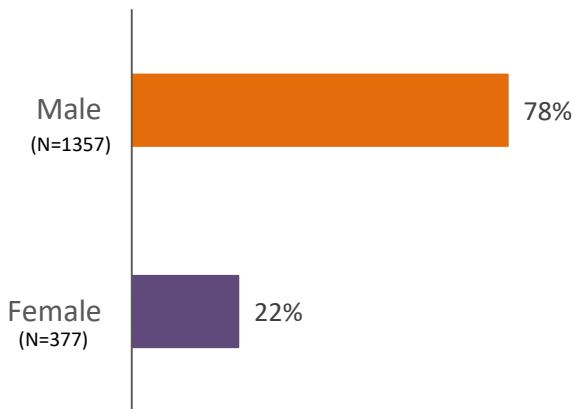
Idaho Method: 2013-2017 (All Ages)



Idaho Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2017 – Public and Charter High School Students

Grade	Sad or Hopeless (%)	Suicidal (%)	Plan (%)	Attempt (%)	Medical Care for Attempt (%)
9 th	34.8	22.7	20.1	12.8	3.2
10 th	36.7	23.9	19.4	10.3	3.7
11 th	34.0	20.9	19.1	8.8	3.3
12 th	34.6	19.5	14.8	5.6	2.5
Idaho Overall	35.0	21.7	18.4	9.7	3.2

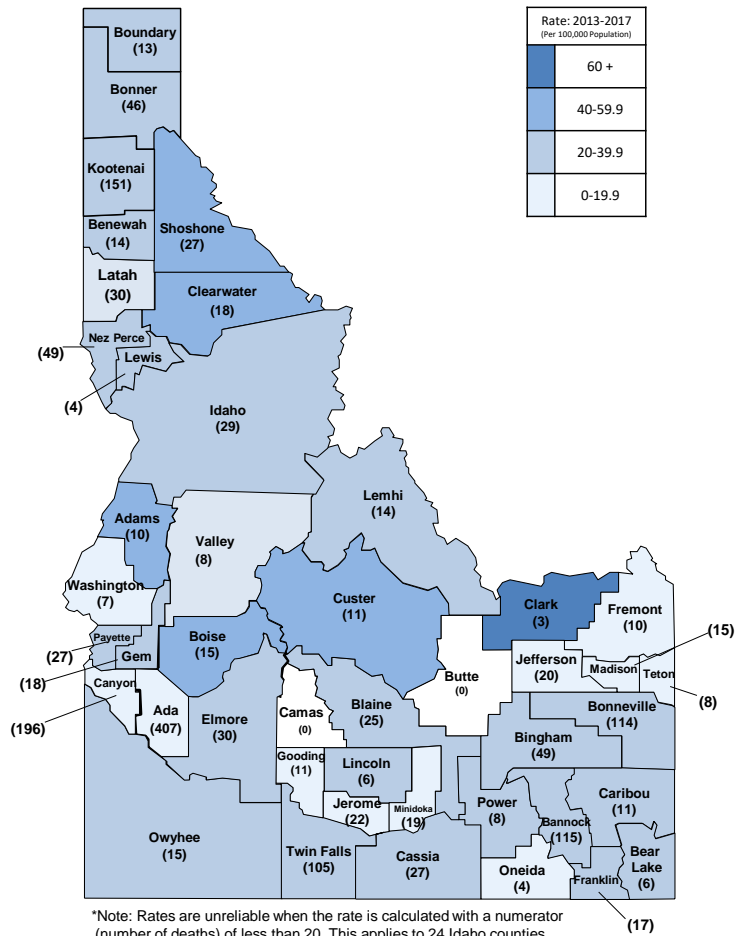
Idaho Suicide Deaths by Gender: 2013-2017



Idaho Suicide Rates by County: 2013-2017

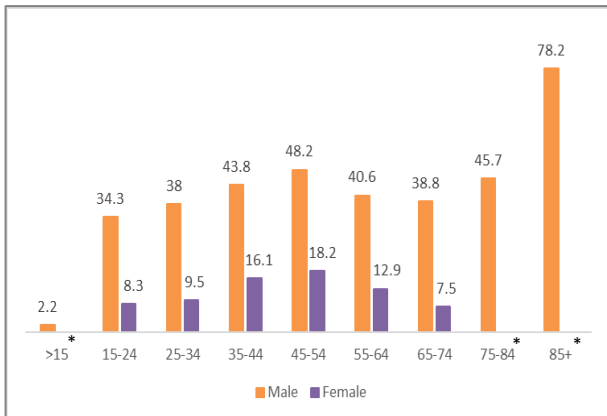
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**Number of deaths is shown below county name.



Idaho Suicide Rates by Age and Gender: 2013-2017 Combined

(*Rate per 100,000 population)



*Note: Rates are unreliable when the rate is calculated with a numerator (number of deaths) of less than 20. Female rates not calculated for this reason.

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