Youth Suicide in Deschutes County

Ages 10-24

September 2020

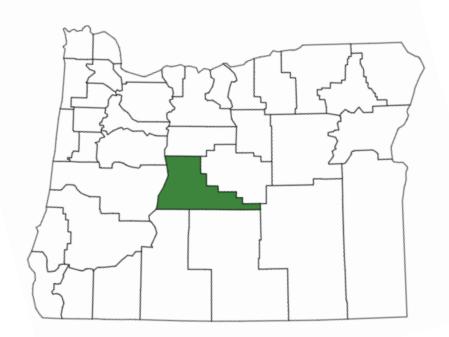




Deschutes County has the 6th highest youth suicide burden in the state



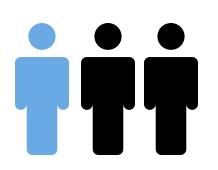
The youth suicide rate has nearly doubled over the last 2 decades



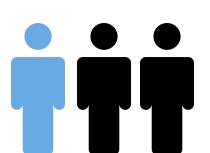
Youth have the lowest suicide rate out of any age group in Deschutes County

Mental Health at Time of Death

50% of youth suicide decedents had a mental health problem



one in every 3 youth suicide decedents were engaged in mental illness treatment



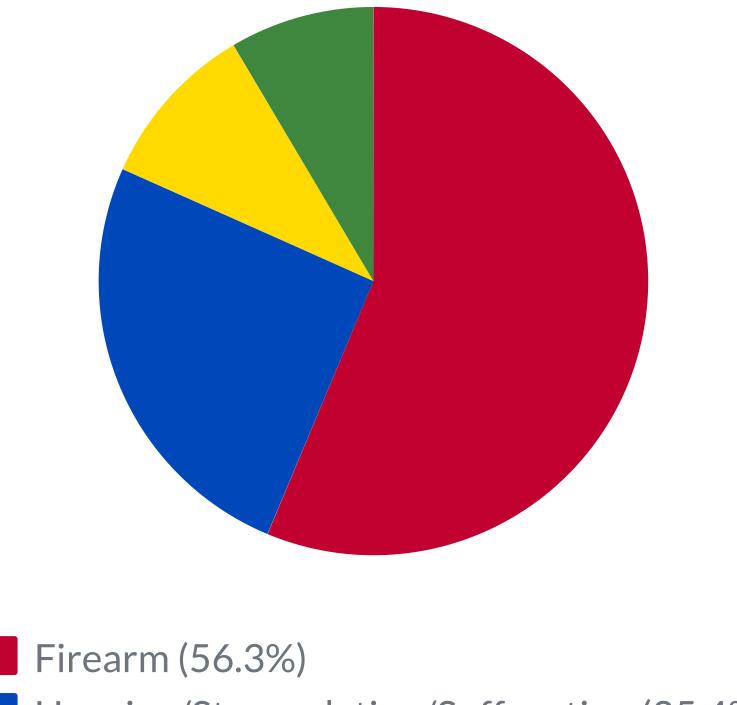
one in every 3 youth suicide decedents had a substance problem (i.e. alcohol or drugs)



one in every 5 youth suicide decedents had a history of suicide attempts

Means of Death

Mechanism of Death among Youth Suicide Decedents (≤24), Deschutes County, OR, 2003-2017



Hanging/Strangulation/Suffocation (25.4%)

Other (9.8%) Poisoning (8.5%)

Data Source: Oregon Violent Death Reporting System

Interpersonal Problems at Time of Death



Every 1 in 5 youth suicide decedents had an intimate partner problem



Every 1 in 4 youth suicide decedents had relationship problem (i.e. friend or family)

Life Stressors at Time of Death



Every 1 in 4 youth suicide decedents had a financial problem



Every 1 in 7 youth suicide decedents had a criminal or legal problem



Every 1 in 7 youth suicide decedents had a school problem

For resources & more information visit www.deschutes.org/suicideprevention