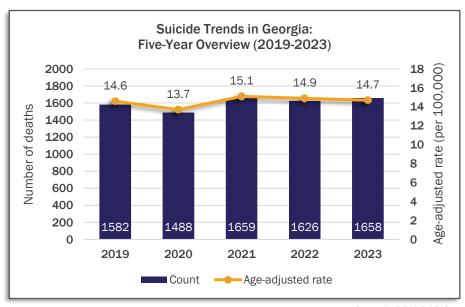


Suicide in Georgia

1,658 deaths GA ranked 38th in suicide deaths in the US in 2022. The age-adjusted rate of suicide deaths in Georgia is lower than the rate for the South, but higher than the national rate. In 2023, 1,658 suicide deaths were reported via Georgia's vital records. The 1,658 deaths equate to 49,197 years of potential life lost. No suicide deaths were reported in individuals younger than 10 years old. Suicide is the 11th leading cause of death overall in Georgia.

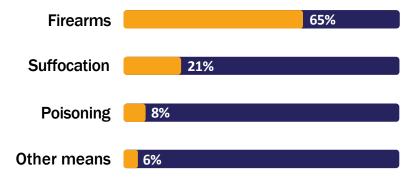
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Males and females utilize suffocation at similar frequencies. Females use drug poisoning and other means more often than males, and males use firearms more than females (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022).



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DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people 25-44 years old.

Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among those 10 - 14 years old.

Males account for 80% of suicide deaths while females account for 20%.

Intentional self-harm (incl. suicide attempts) is more often reported in females.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people, Asian people, and those who are multiracial.

Suicide deaths are more common among people who are not Hispanic.

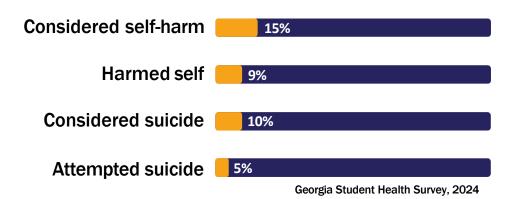
ETHNICITY

URBAN-RURAL

The suicide rate in Georgia's rural counties is higher than the rate in urban counties.

Suicide in Georgia

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

9,028 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have decreased since 2019.



6,354 emergency room visits
Rate of 57.6 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



2,674 hospital discharges Rate of 24.2 people per 100,000 persons

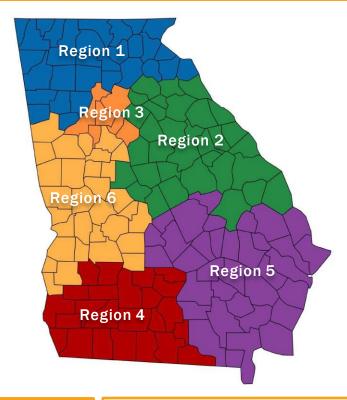
Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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Georgia DBHDD Region Map



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Banks Forsyth Paulding Bartow Franklin **Pickens** Catoosa Gilmer Polk Chattooga Gordon Rabun Cherokee Habersham Stephens Cobb Hall Towns Dade Haralson Union Dawson Hart Walker Douglas Lumpkin White Fannin Murray Whitfield Floyd

Region 2

Jackson **Oglethorpe Baldwin** Putnam **Barrow Jasper** Jefferson Richmond Bibb Screven Burke **Jenkins** Clarke Jones **Taliaferro** Columbia Lincoln **Twiggs** Madison Walton **Elbert Emanuel McDuffie** Warren Glascock Monroe Washington Greene Morgan Wilkes Wilkinson Hancock **Oconee**

Region 3

Clayton
DeKalb
Fulton
Gwinnett

Newton Rockdale

Region 4

Baker Irwin **Ben Hill** Lanier **Berrien** Lee **Brooks** Lowndes Calhoun Miller Colquitt Mitchell Cook Seminole Terrell Decatur Thomas Dougherty Early Tift **Echols** Turner Grady Worth

Region 5

Appling Coffee Montgomery **Atkinson** Dodge **Pierce** Bacon Effingham **Pulaski Bleckley Evans Tattnall Brantley** Glynn Telfair Bryan Jeff Davis **Toombs Bulloch** Treutlen **Johnson** Camden Ware Laurens Candler Wayne Liberty Charlton Long Wheeler Chatham McIntosh Wilcox Clinch

Region 6

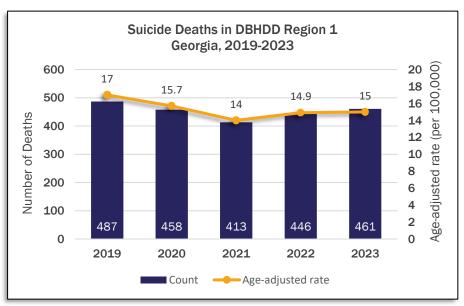
Quitman **Butts** Heard Randolph Carroll Henry **Schley Chattahoochee Houston Spalding** Clay Lamar **Stewart** Coweta Macon **Sumter** Crawford Marion **Talbot** Crisp Meriwether **Taylor Dooly** Muscogee **Troup Fayette Peach** Upson Pike Harris Webster



Counties: Banks, Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Cobb, Dade, Dawson, Douglas, Fannin, Floyd, Forsyth, Franklin, Gilmer, Gordon, Habersham, Hall, Haralson, Hart, Lumpkin, Murray, Paulding, Pickens, Polk, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, Walker, White, Whitfield

461 deaths Region 1 had 461 reported suicide deaths in 2023. These deaths equate to 12,955 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 1 had the lowest suicide death rate among black or African Americans and the lowest reportable suicide death rate among Hispanic individuals. There were no suicide deaths reported among Pacific Islanders or Indigenous people.

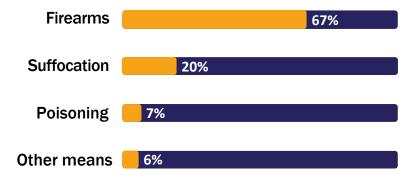
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Males and females utilize suffocation and other means at similar frequencies, though more females use drug poisoning while more males use firearms (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022).



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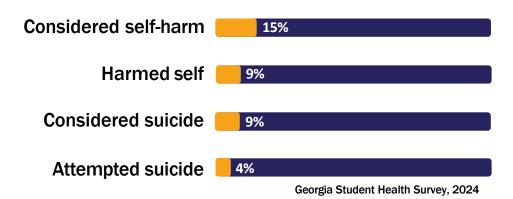
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 25 - 44 years old.

Males account for 80% of deaths while females account for 20%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people and Asian people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

2,327 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have decreased since 2019.



1,673 emergency room visits
Rate of 59.5 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



654 hospital discharges Rate of 22 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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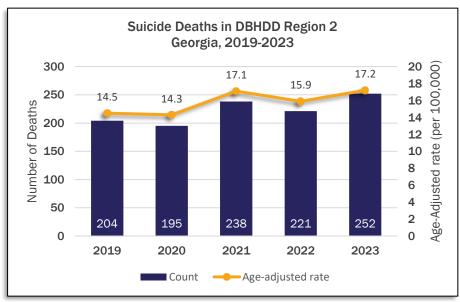




Counties: Baldwin, Barrow, Bibb, Burke, Clarke, Columbia, Elbert, Emanuel, Glascock, Greene, Hancock, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jenkins, Jones, Lincoln, Madison, McDuffie, Monroe, Morgan, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Putnam, Richmond, Screven, Taliaferro, Twiggs, Walton, Warren, Washington, Wilkes, Wilkinson

252 deaths Region 2 had 252 reported suicide deaths in 2023. These deaths equate to 7,220 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 2 had the highest overall suicide death rate. Region 2 had the highest suicide death rate among those 10-17 years old, 45-64 years old, and 65+ years old. Also, Region 2 had the highest suicide death rate among males and those who are black or African American. Region 2 had no suicide deaths among Indigenous people.

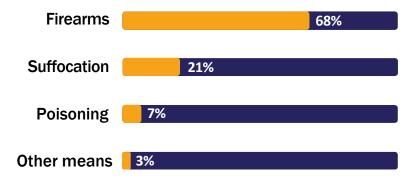
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Males and females utilize suffocation and other means at similar frequencies, though more females use drug poisoning while more males use firearms (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022).



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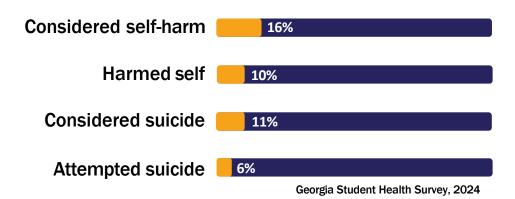
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 45 - 64 years old.

Males account for 80% of deaths while females account for 20%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

1,303 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have *decreased* since 2019.



913 emergency room visits Rate of 66.4 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



390 hospital discharges Rate of 27.9 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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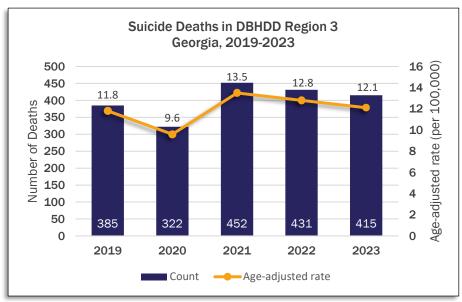


Counties: Clayton, DeKalb, Fulton, Gwinnett, Newton, Rockdale

415 deaths

Region 3 had 415 reported suicide deaths in 2023. This equates to 13,595 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 3 had the lowest overall suicide death rate. Region 3 had the lowest death rate among white people and the lowest reportable suicide rate among those 10-17 years of age. In other age groups, Region 3 had the highest death rate among those aged 18-24 years, and the lowest death rate among those 25-44 and 45-64 years of age. There were no suicide deaths reported among Pacific Islanders.

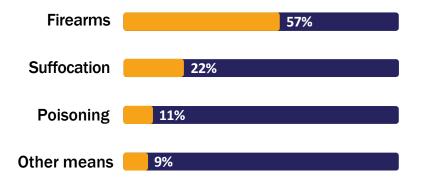
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Males and females utilize suffocation and other means at similar frequencies, though more females use drug poisoning while more males use firearms (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022).



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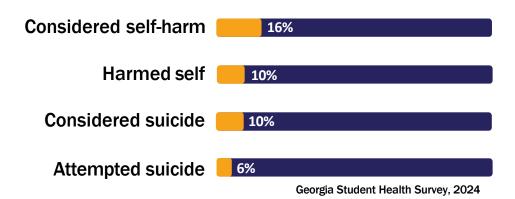
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 18 - 24 years old.

Males account for 81% of deaths while females account for 19%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people and Asian people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

2,500 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have decreased since 2019.



1,712 emergency room visits
Rate of 51.7 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



788 hospital discharges Rate of 23.1 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased slightly since 2019.

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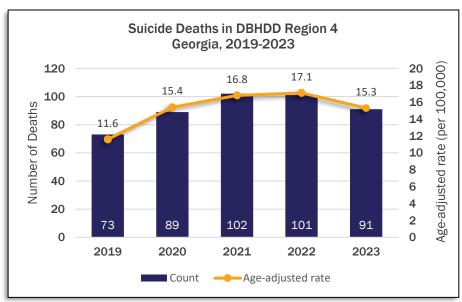
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Counties: Baker, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brooks, Calhoun, Colquitt, Cook, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Echols, Grady, Irwin, Lanier, Lee, Lowndes, Miller, Mitchell, Seminole, Terrell, Thomas, Tift, Turner, Worth

91 deaths Region 4 had 91 reported suicide deaths in 2023. This equates to 2,667 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 4 had the lowest suicide death rate among persons aged 18-24 years and 65+ years. There were no suicide deaths reported among Pacific Islanders or those who are multiracial.

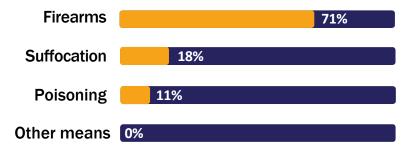
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Overall, males and females utilize suffocation and other means at similar frequencies, though more females use drug poisoning while more males use firearms (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022). In Region 4, females use both suffocation and poisoning more often while more males use firearms.



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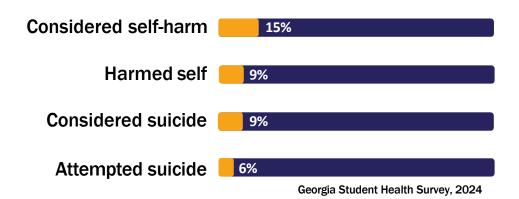
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 25 - 44 years old.

Males account for 81% of deaths while females account for 19%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

546 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have decreased since 2019.



386 emergency room visits
Rate of 67.6 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



160 hospital discharges Rate of 27 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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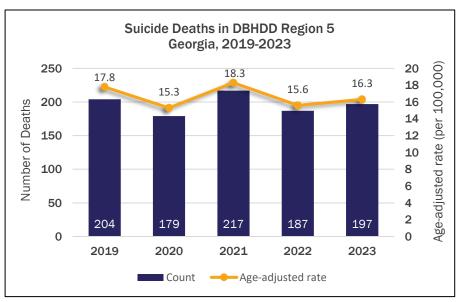




Counties: Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Bleckley, Brantley, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Candler, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Coffee, Dodge, Effingham, Evans, Glynn, Jeff Davis, Johnson, Laurens, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Montgomery, Pierce, Pulaski, Tattnall, Telfair, Toombs, Treutlen, Ware, Wayne, Wheeler, Wilcox

197 deaths Region 5 had 197 reported suicide deaths in 2023. This equates to 5,605 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 5 had the highest suicide death rate among females. There were no suicide deaths reported among Pacific Islanders or Indigenous people.

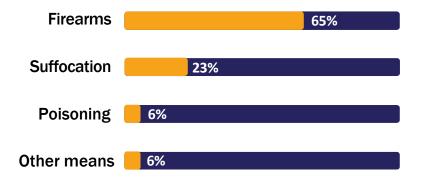
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MEANS OF DEATH

Firearms are the most common means of suicide death followed by suffocation, drug poisoning, and other means. Males and females utilize suffocation and other means at similar frequencies, though more females use drug poisoning while more males use firearms (Georgia Violent Death Reporting System, 2022).



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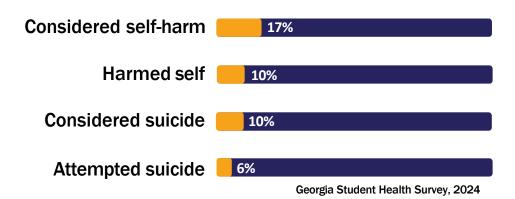
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 45 - 64 years old.

Males account for 79% of deaths while females account for 21%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

998 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have *decreased* since 2019.



730 emergency room visits Rate of 63.4 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



268 hospital discharges Rate of 22.9 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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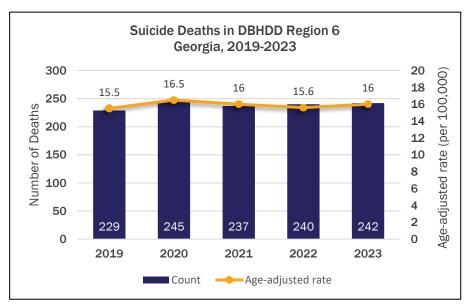


Counties: Butts, Carroll, Chattahoochee, Clay, Coweta, Crawford, Crisp, Dooly, Fayette, Harris, Heard, Henry, Houston, Lamar, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Peach, Pike, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Spalding, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Troup, Upson, Webster

242 deaths

Region 6 had 242 suicide deaths in 2023, which equates to 7.157 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 6 had the highest suicide death rate among white people and Asian people. Region 6 also had the highest suicide rate among those 25-44 years of age. There were no deaths recorded among Pacific Islanders.

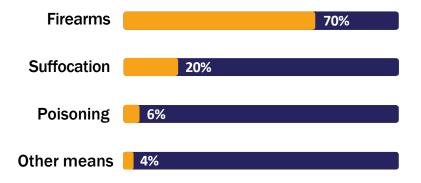
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MEANS OF DEATH

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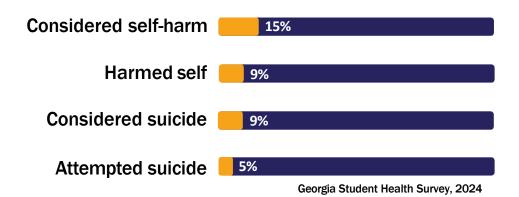
DEMOGRAPHICS

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 25 - 44 years old.

Males account for 82% of deaths while females account for 18%.

Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people and Asian people.

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SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

1,353 medically treated attempts in 2023

Emergency department visit and hospital discharge data is used to measure medically treated suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment. This estimate does not consider suicide attempts that were not medically treated. It is estimated that for every suicide death, there are 25 attempts (National Center for Health Statistics, 2020). Data source: GA DPH OASIS

Medically treated attempts have decreased since 2019.



939 emergency room visits Rate of 64.7 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have decreased since 2019.



414 hospital discharges Rate of 28 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have decreased since 2019.

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