

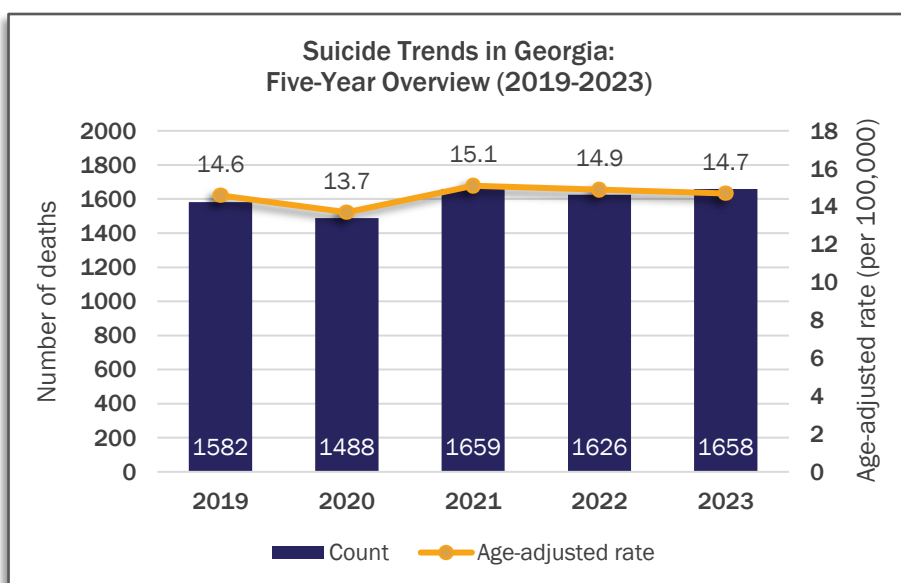


Suicide in Georgia

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.

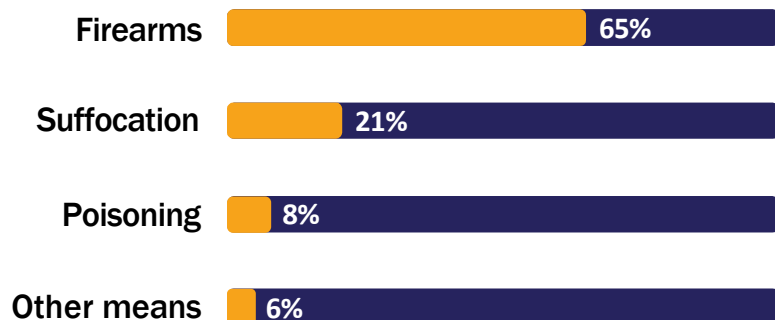
CDC WISQARS and GA Dept of Public Health



Georgia DPH OASIS

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).



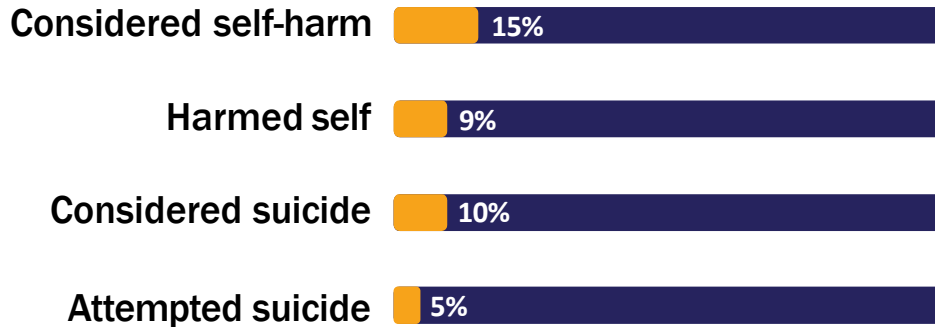
Notes: Data limited to deaths that occurred in the state of Georgia. Weapon types are not mutually exclusive; more than one weapon type can be involved in one incident

DEMOGRAPHICS

AGE	Suicide death rates are highest among people 25 - 44 years old.
	Suicide is the 2 nd leading cause of death among those 10 - 14 years old.
SEX	Males account for 80% of suicide deaths while females account for 20%.
	Intentional self-harm (incl. suicide attempts) is more often reported in females.
RACE	Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by black or African American people, Asian people, and those who are multiracial.
ETHNICITY	Suicide deaths are more common among people who are not Hispanic.
URBAN-RURAL	The suicide rate in Georgia's rural counties is higher than the rate in urban counties.

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YOUTH IDEATION



Georgia Student Health Survey, 2024

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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