

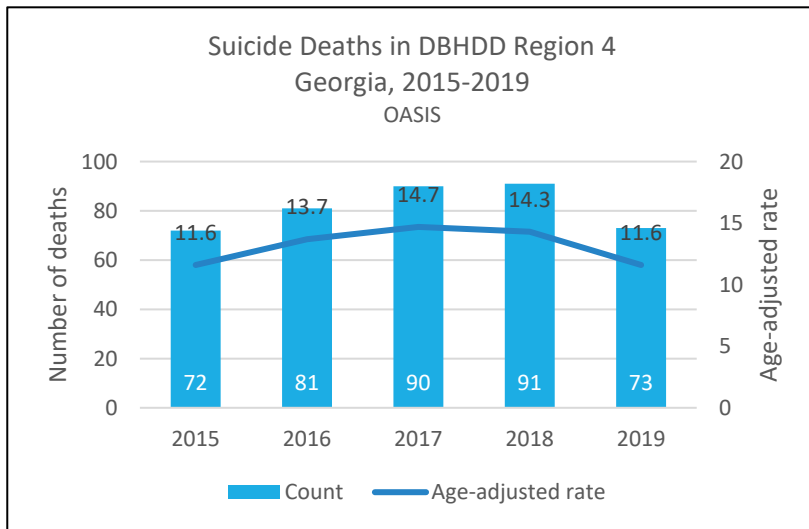


Suicide in Region 4

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

**73
deaths**

Region 4 had 73 suicide deaths in 2019. This equates to 2,215 years of potential life lost. Region 4 had the fewest suicide deaths among youth (ages 0-17). Suicide rates among females are lowest here and in Region 6. Among Black or African American people and people who identify as Hispanic, suicide death rates are lowest in Region 4 compared to the rest of Georgia.



DEMOGRAPHICS

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

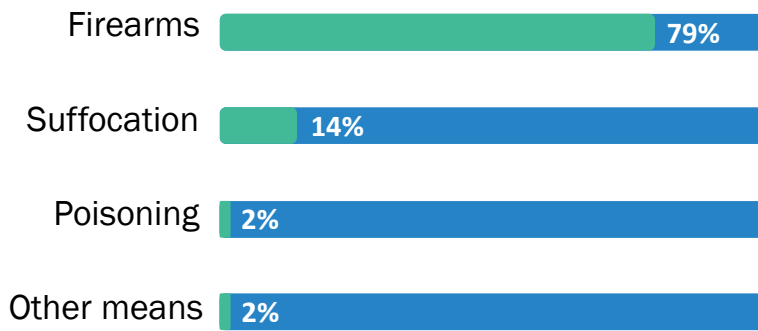
SEX Suicide deaths are much more common among males compared to females.

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

ETHNICITY Suicide deaths are more common among people who aren't Hispanic.

MEANS OF DEATH

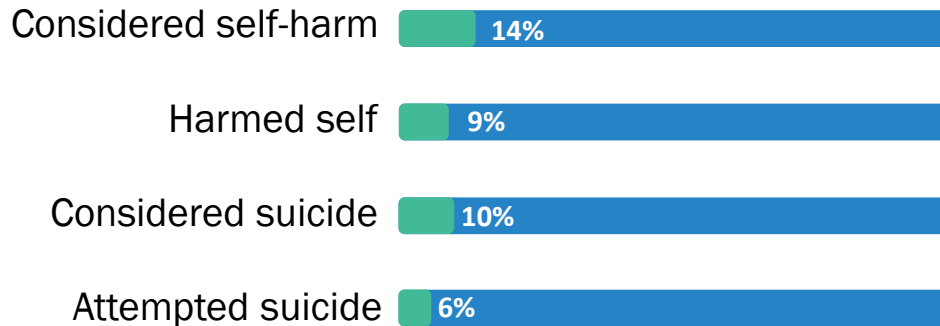
Firearms are the most common means of suicide death with over 4 deaths for every 5 deaths being contributed to firearms. Suffocation is a less common means at around 1 in 7 deaths. Poisoning and other means are infrequent in Region 4.



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YOUTH IDEATION



Georgia Student Health Survey 2020

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

697 attempts in 2019

Emergency department visits and hospital discharges are used as proxies for estimating the number and rate of suicide attempts. Emergency department visits indicate a less severe consequence due to the attempt while hospitalizations indicate severe consequences that require extensive medical treatment.



506 emergency room visits
Rate of 88.9 people per 100,000 persons

Emergency room visits have *increased* since 2015.



191 hospital discharges
Rate of 32.6 people per 100,000 persons

Hospital discharges have *decreased* since 2015.