



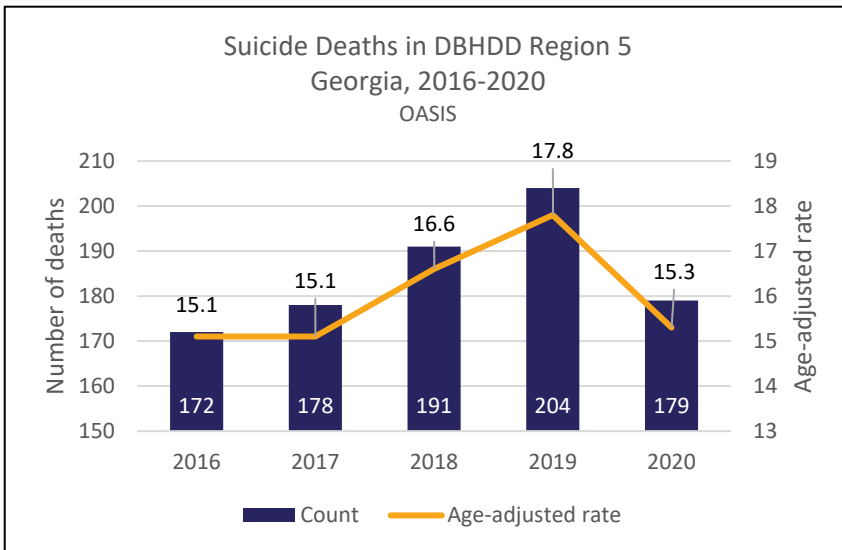
# Suicide in Region 5

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

**179  
deaths**

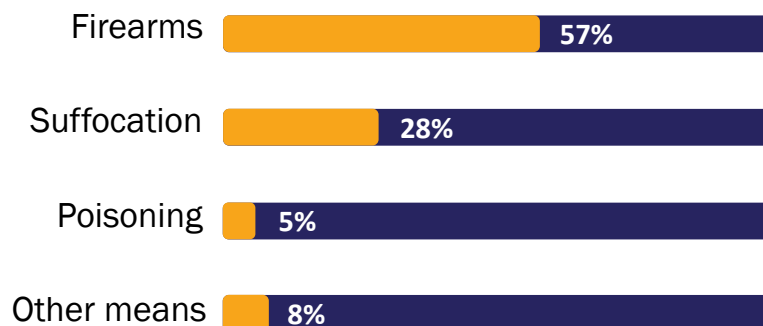
Region 5 had 179 deaths in 2020, which equates to 5,653 years of potential life lost. Compared to other regions, Region 5 had the highest death rate among Hispanic people. There were fewer than 4 deaths among Asian people and people who are multi-racial. There were no deaths among Indigenous people and Pacific Islanders.

Georgia Dept of Public Health



## 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, 2019).



## DEMOGRAPHICS

### AGE

Suicide death rates are highest among people ages 18-24 years old and closely followed by those ages 25-44 years old.

### SEX

Males account for 84% of deaths while females 16%.

### RACE

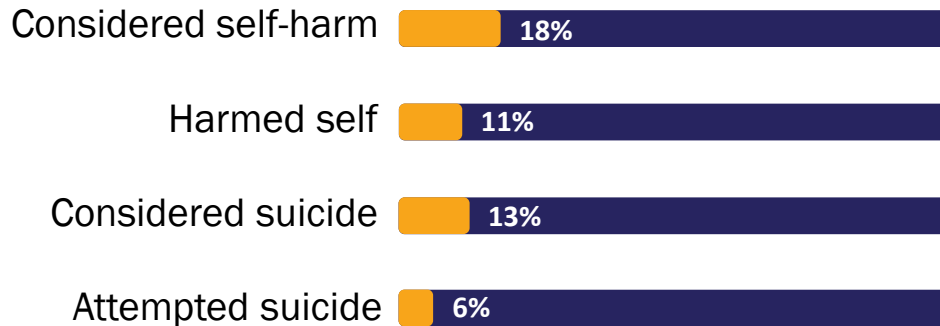
Suicide deaths are most common among white people followed by Black or African American people, Asian people, and those who are multi-racial.

### ETHNICITY

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

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## YOUTH IDEATION



Student Wellness Survey 2021

## SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

911 attempts in 2020

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.



635 emergency room visits  
Rate of 56.8 people per 100,000 persons

While emergency room visits have *decreased* since 2016, it's important to note that people may have not visited the emergency room due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.



276 hospital discharges  
Rate of 24.3 people per 100,000 persons

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