

# GREEN COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Green County, Wisconsin from 2001-2006, and is meant to complement the report, *The Burden of Suicide in Wisconsin*. Please refer to this report for technical notes and suicide prevention strategies. For counties with fewer than 20 suicides each year, data are aggregated for 2001-2006 and findings are presented in bullets rather than tables.

## KEY FINDINGS

- ◆ The suicide rate in Green County for all years was higher than the state rate for all years (14.3 versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 871 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 449.2 for 2001-2006. This was more than the state rate (394.1 YPLL) for the same time period.
- ◆ The greatest number of suicides occurred in individuals aged 35-54 while the greatest number of hospitalizations and emergency department visits occurred in younger individuals, aged 15-24. This finding is the same at the state level.
- ◆ The cost of inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injury was over \$230,000 in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Green County suicides (60%) followed by poisoning (20%) and hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (20%).

Numbers and rates (per 100,000 population) of suicides, inpatient hospitalizations, and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injuries, by age, Green County, 2001-2006.

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate‡	Number	Rate‡	Number	Rate‡
5-14	1	3.3‡	14	46.3‡	10	39.8‡
15-24	2	7.6‡	60	228.5	34	153.2
25-34	1	4.2‡	29	123.0	21	107.1
35-44	9	27.2‡	45	135.9	24	87.6
45-54	9	27.6‡	22	67.4	3	10.9‡
55-64	4	18.8‡	6	28.3‡	1	5.5‡
65-74	2	14.1‡	0	--	1	8.4‡
75-84	2	18.2‡	1	9.1‡	0	--
85+	0	--	0	--	0	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>84.3</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>53.4</b>

\*Emergency department data are not available for 2001.

‡Rates based on numbers of 20 or less are considered unstable due to random chance and should be interpreted with caution.