

10 Leading Causes of Injury Related Deaths by Age Group, Washington State 2013-2017

Highlighting Unintentional Injury Deaths

Listed by: Death Counts and Death Rates per 100,000 people
(rates in parentheses)

Rank	<1 yr	1-4 yr	5-9 yr	10-14 yr	15-24 yr	25-34 yr	35-44 yr	45-54 yr	55-64 yr	65+ yr
1	Unintentional Suffocation 68 (15.49)	Assault Unspecified 19 (1.07)	Unintentional MV Traffic 25 (1.1)	Suicide Suffocation 30 (1.35)	Unintentional MV Traffic 556 (11.94)	Unintentional Poisoning 942 (19.17)	Unintentional Poisoning 926 (20.17)	Unintentional Poisoning 1,252 (26.33)	Unintentional Poisoning 968 (20.85)	Unintentional Falls 4,206 (81.75)
2	Assault Unspecified 13 (2.96)*	Unintentional MV Traffic 18 (1.01)	Unintentional Drowning 10**	Unintentional MV Traffic 22 (0.99)	Unintentional Poisoning 339 (7.28)	Unintentional MV Traffic 418 (8.51)	Unintentional MV Traffic 356 (7.75)	Suicide Firearm 450 (9.46)	Suicide Firearm 479 (10.32)	Suicide Firearm 684 (13.29)
3	Unintentional MV Traffic 8**	Unintentional Fire/Burn 18 (1.01)	Unintentional Fire/Burn 6**	Suicide Firearm 17 (0.77)	Suicide Firearm 329 (7.07)	Suicide Firearm 392 (7.98)	Suicide Firearm 353 (7.69)	Unintentional MV Traffic 386 (8.12)	Unintentional MV Traffic 397 (8.55)	Unintentional MV Traffic 577 (11.21)
4	Assault Other Specified 5**	Unintentional Other Pedestrian 18 (1.01)	Unintentional Suffocation 4**	Assault Firearm 12 (0.54)*	Suicide Suffocation 290 (6.23)	Suicide Suffocation 313 (6.37)	Suicide Suffocation 265 (5.77)	Suicide Suffocation 257 (5.40)	Unintentional Falls 333 (7.17)	Unintentional Suffocation 471 (9.15)
5	Unintentional Drowning 4**	Unintentional Drowning 15 (0.84)*	Unintentional Other Transportation 4**	Unintentional Drowning 11**	Assault Firearm 219 (4.7)	Assault Firearm 195 (3.97)	Suicide Poisoning 152 (3.31)	Suicide Poisoning 242 (5.09)	Suicide Poisoning 256 (5.51)	Unintentional Unspecified 323 (6.28)
6	Other/Undetermined Suffocation 4**	Unintentional Suffocation 10**	Assault Unspecified 3**	Unintentional Other Transportation 7**	Unintentional Drowning 83 (1.78)	Suicide Poisoning 109 (2.22)	Assault Firearm 103 (2.24)	Unintentional Falls 156 (3.28)	Suicide Suffocation 178 (3.83)	Unintentional Poisoning 278 (5.4)
7	Other/Undetermined Unspecified 4**	Unintentional Falls 4**	Unintentional Poisoning 3**	Other/Undetermined Suffocation 4**	Suicide Poisoning 61 (1.31)	Unintentional Drowning 81 (1.65)	Unintentional Falls 61 (1.33)	Assault Firearm 99 (2.08)	Unintentional Other Specified 90 (1.94)	Suicide Poisoning 182 (3.54)
8	Unintentional Poisoning 3**	Assault Firearm 4**	Unintentional Natural Environment 3**	Unintentional Struck By/Against 3**	Suicide Falls 36 (0.77)	Unintentional Falls 47 (0.96)	Unintentional Drowning 53 (1.15)	Unintentional Drowning 83 (1.75)	Unintentional Drowning 90 (1.94)	Unintentional Other Specified 168 (3.27)
9	Unintentional Falls 3**	Other/Undetermined Unspecified 4**	Unintentional Struck By/Against 2**	Unintentional Falls 2**	Unintentional Falls 28 (0.6)	Other/Undetermined Poisoning 36 (0.73)	Other/Undetermined Poisoning 44 (0.96)	Other/Undetermined Poisoning 56 (1.18)	Unintentional Suffocation 77 (1.66)	Suicide Suffocation 117 (2.27)
10		Unintentional Poisoning 3**	Assault Fire/Burn 2**	Suicide Falls 2**	Assault Cut/Pierce 26 (0.56)	Other/Undetermined Firearm 35 (0.71)	Unintentional Other Specified 35 (0.76)	Unintentional Suffocation 55 (1.16)	Unintentional Natural Environment 58 (1.25)	Unintentional Fire/Burn 110 (2.14)
Total injury related deaths	119	137	75	123	2188	2903	2695	3519	3394	7672
Rate per 100,000	27.1	7.7	3.3	5.6	47	59.1	58.7	74	73.1	149.11
95% CI	22.5, 32.4	6.5, 9.1	2.6, 4.1	4.6, 6.6	45, 49	56.9, 61.3	56.5, 61	71.6, 76.5	70.7, 75.6	145.8, 152.5

Definitions:

Suffocation includes hanging, strangulation, and suffocation.

Poisoning includes non-opioid and opioid drug, unspecified drug, alcohol, organic solvents, gases and vapors, pesticides, and unspecified chemicals and noxious substances.

MV = motor vehicle

*The Relative Standard Error is between 25-30%, the estimate is not reliable.

** The Relative Standard Error is greater than 30%, the estimate is suppressed.

Total injury related deaths includes all injury related deaths. This chart contains only the top ten causes and is not an all inclusive list.

Data Source: DOH Death Certificates

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