

Suicide Facts & Figures:

Michigan 2019*



On average, one person dies by suicide every six hours in the state.

More than four times as many people died by suicide in Michigan in 2017 than in alcohol related motor vehicle accidents.

The total deaths to suicide reflect a total of 29,150 years of potential life lost (YPLL) before age 65.



Suicide cost Michigan a total of **\$1,501,780,000** combined lifetime medical and work loss cost in 2010, or an average of **\$1,189,058 per suicide death.**

*Based on most recent 2017 data from CDC. Learn more at afsp.org/statistics.



10th leading cause of death in Michigan

2nd leading

cause of death for ages 15-34

4th leading

cause of death for ages 35-44

5th leading

cause of death for ages 45-54

8th leading

cause of death for ages 55-64

19th leading

cause of death for ages 65 & older

Suicide Death Rates

	Number of Deaths by Suicide	Rate per 100,000 Population	State Rank
Michigan	1,457	14.13	36
Nationally	47,173	14.00	

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Suicide Prevention Programs and Initiatives

- Michigan's suicide prevention program is housed in the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Injury and Violence Prevention Section (<https://bit.ly/2Bw7KCN>). MDHHS operates the Transforming Youth Suicide Prevention in Michigan-2 (TYSP-Mi2) Program with funding through a federal Garrett Lee Smith grant; the TYSP-Mi2 Program is designed to impact rates of youth/young adult suicide through state-level and local systems changes that embed suicide prevention as a core priority for health and human services agencies. See <https://bit.ly/2CmjFEE>.
- The nonprofit Michigan Association for Suicide Prevention (<https://www.mymasp.org/>) works to facilitate training in suicide awareness, prevention, intervention and postvention and maintains contact information for local community coalitions.
- The original Suicide Prevention Plan for Michigan was released in 2005 with three main goals: to increase awareness across the state, to develop and implement best clinical and prevention practices, and to advance and disseminate knowledge about suicide and effective methods for prevention. An updated plan was released in 2019, see <https://bit.ly/2YIYfjq>.
- Michigan law (MCL § 380.1171 - Chase Edwards' Law, adopted 2006) encourages school boards to provide age-appropriate instruction for pupils and professional development for school personnel concerning the warning signs for suicide and depression and the protective factors that help prevent suicide.

Get Involved

The **AFSP Michigan Chapter** brings together people of all backgrounds in communities throughout the state to fight suicide. We help fund research, offer educational programs, advocate for public policy and support those affected by suicide.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact:

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Become an Advocate

AFSP's Michigan advocacy volunteers build relationships with public officials and advocate on behalf of sound suicide prevention policy.

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