

## Deaths in Wisconsin 2006

<b>Suicide</b>	<b>660</b>
<b>Homicide</b>	<b>191</b>
<b>HIV</b>	<b>51</b>

### *In 2006:*

- Suicide was the tenth most common cause of death in Wisconsin.
- Among those ages 18-40 years, suicide was the second most common cause of death, following unintentional injuries.
- Six children less than 14 years of age died by suicide.
- The majority of suicides occurred in the working age population, those age 18-64 years.
- Each suicide death was estimated to affect the life of six other people. This means nearly 4,000 Wisconsin residents were affected by a loved one's suicide.
- There were 5,277 hospitalizations and 4,143 emergency department visits due to self-harm. Many who make suicide attempts never seek professional care immediately after the attempt.
- These hospitalizations and emergency department visits resulted in over \$64 million dollars in hospital charges.
- Forty-five percent of suicides were by firearm.

**Source:** Wisconsin Interactive Statistics on Health (WISH): Violent Death, Mortality, Injury-related Hospitalizations, and Injury-related Emergency Department Visits modules

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