Intentional Injury

- In Connecticut, 1,907 intentional injury deaths were registered between 2000 – 2004, an average of 381 per year
- About three-fourths (73.2%) of intentional injury deaths were due to suicide, followed by homicide (26.3%) and legal intervention (0.1%)
- More homicides than suicides were recorded for the 5 – 9 year old age group; and except for 20 – 24 years olds there were more suicides than homicides registered for ages 10 to 85+ years
- More intentional deaths were registered for males (78%) than females (22%)
- Non-Hispanic Blacks (16.9 per 100,000 population) had higher rates of intentional injury deaths compared to Non-Hispanic Whites (9.9 per 100,000 population) and Hispanics (10.7 per 100,000 population)
- Intentional injury death rates for the Counties ranged from the lowest, 8.0 per 100,000 population (Tolland County) to the highest, 12.4 per 100,000 (Hartford County)
- There were 9,236 intentional injury hospitalizations recorded in Connecticut between 2000 – 2004, averaging 1,847 a year
- About two-thirds (64.5%) of intentional injury hospitalizations were caused by self-inflicted or attempted suicide, followed by assault (34.9%) and legal intervention (0.3%)
- More assault related hospitalizations than self-inflicted or attempted suicides were registered for ages <1 - 9 years and 20-24 years, and there were more self-inflicted hospitalizations than assault for ages 10-19 years and 25 to 85+ years
- More intentional hospitalizations were recorded for males (57%) than females (43%)
- Non-Hispanic Blacks (108.5 per 100,000 population) experienced higher rates of intentional injury hospitalizations compared to Non-Hispanic Whites (42.5 per 100,000 population) and Hispanics (83.6 per 100,000 population)
- New Haven County (61.3 per 100,000 population) and Hartford County (60.2 per 100,000 population) had the highest intentional injury hospitalization rates, while Tolland County (31.9 per 100,000 population) had the lowest
- One fatality was recorded for every five persons hospitalized for intentional injuries
- The average length of hospital stay for intentional injuries was two days
- For the five-year period, the total hospitalization charges for intentional injuries were $11,257,495 with an average of $7,767 per hospital stay
Figure 65
Intentional Injury Death Rates by Mechanism & Age Group
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
(n = 1,907; average = 381/year)
Figure 66
Intentional Injury Death Rates per 100,000 Population by Sex, Race/Ethnicity & County of Residence
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
Figure 67
Intentional Injury Hospitalization Rates by Mechanism & Age Group
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
(n = 9,236; average = 1,847/year)
Figure 68
Intentional Injury Hospitalization Rates per 100,000 Population
by Sex, Race/Ethnicity & County of Residence
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