Suicide Data: Alabama

Suicide is a public health problem and leading cause of death in the United States. Suicide can also be prevented – more investment in suicide prevention, education, and research will prevent the untimely deaths of thousands of Americans each year. Unless otherwise noted, this fact sheet reports 2020 data from the CDC, the most current verified data available at time of publication (March 2022).

13th leading cause of death in Alabama

3rd leading
cause of death for ages 10-24

3rd leading
cause of death for ages 25-34

4th leading
cause of death for ages 35-44

8th leading
cause of death for ages 45-54

13th leading
cause of death for ages 55-64

18th leading
cause of death for ages 65+

Suicide Death Rates

	Number of Deaths by Suicide	Rate per 100,000 Population	State Rank
Alabama	**793**	**15.91**	**25**
Nationally	45,979	13.48	

See full list of citations at **afsp.org/statistics**.

75.87% of communities did not have enough mental health providers to serve residents in 2021, according to federal guidelines.

Almost **three times** as many people died by suicide in 2019 than in alcohol related motor vehicle accidents.

The total deaths to suicide reflected a total of **16,261 years** of potential life lost (YPLL) before age 65.

48% of firearm deaths were suicides.

68% of all suicides were by firearms.