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SUICIDE IN SOUTHWEST CT



2017 Suicide Deaths per 100,000 people:

13.4 U.S.

10 Connecticut

7 Southwest CT

0-12 Range among towns in Southwest CT

Up to 1/3 of drug overdose deaths are suicides.

Suicide is tied to mental illness in 90% of cases



OUT OF 157 SUICIDE DEATHS IN SOUTHWEST CT BETWEEN 2016 AND 2018:

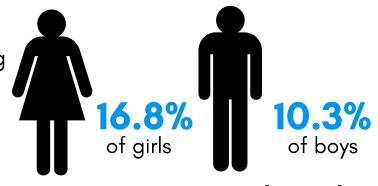


In a local youth
survey, 16% of
7th graders
reported a
past-year
suicide attempt

CT TEENS ARE AT HIGH RISK FOR SUICIDAL IDEATION AND ATTEMPT

13.5% of CT high schoolers reported seriously contemplating suicide in 2017

8.1% had attempted suicide at least once



More than 1 in 5 teens identifying as LGBTQ attempted suicide.



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GET THE FACTS

- 1. Suicide has been rising within the state and nation, including among young children.
- 2. Children who lose a parent to suicide have a 4X higher risk of dying by suicide.
- 3. After a suicide, affected schools and communities should follow safe messaging and postvention protocols to avoid a contagion effect.
- 4. To learn about more info, go to: thehubct.org/suicide

Crisis Resources:

- CT's mobile crisis intervention service: Dial 2-1-1, option 1
- Crisis Text Line: Text 741741
- Trevor Project (LGBTQ suicide prevention): 866-488-7386
- Postvention resources: www.preventsuicidect.org
- Southwest CT Suicide Advisory Board: info@thehubct.org
- Contact us for suicide prevention trainings.