Death Rate Among Children and Young Adults Ages 1-24: 2015-2017; Showing Counties

Definition: Number of deaths per 100,000 children and young adults ages 1-24
(e.g., in 2015-2017, the death rate among California children and young adults was 29.8 per 100,000).

Data Source: California Dept. of Public Health, Death Statistical Master Files (Apr. 2020); California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections (Apr. 2020); CDC WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death (May 2020).
Firearm Death Rate Among Children and Young Adults Ages 0-24

Definition: Number of firearm-related deaths per 100,000 children and young adults ages 0-24 (e.g., in 2020, the death rate due to firearms among California children and young adults was 5.6 per 100,000).

Data Source: California Dept. of Public Health, Death Statistical Master Files; California Dept. of Finance, Population Estimates and Projections; CDC WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death (May 2022).

In 2020, California young people ages 0-24 died of firearm injuries at a rate of 5.6 per 100,000, an increase of around 30% compared with 2019. Of the 692 firearm-related deaths among children and young adults statewide in 2020, boys and young men accounted for the vast majority (616). Homicide and suicide are the most common causes of firearm-related death across gender and age groups. Disparities exist in firearm death rates by race/ethnicity, statewide and nationally. In California, the firearm death rate among African American/black youth in 2020 (24.8 per 100,000) was four times higher than the rate for Hispanic/Latino youth (5.8 per 100,000), seven times higher than that for white youth (3.4 per 100,000), and 16 times that for Asian youth (1.5 per 100,000).

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