

# Suicide rates increased for men, women from 1999 to 2017

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(HealthDay)—From 1999 to 2017, there was an increase in suicide rates

for women and men, according to a report published in the June *Health E-Stats*, a publication of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Center for Health Statistics.

Sally C. Curtin and Holly Hedegaard, M.D., M.S.P.H., from the National Center for Health Statistics in Hyattsville, Maryland, used data from the National Vital Statistics System Multiple Cause-of-Death files for 1999 and 2017 to examine age-adjusted [suicide rates](#).

The researchers found that the age-adjusted [suicide](#) rate was 14.0 per 100,000 standard population in 2017, up 33 percent from 1999. Age-adjusted suicide rates increased significantly between 1999 and 2017 for women of all race and ethnicity groups except non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander (API). The largest increase was seen in non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN) women (139 percent increase). For women aged 15 to 24 and 24 to 44 years, the highest rates in 2017 were seen for non-Hispanic AIANs; the rate was highest for non-Hispanic white [women](#) aged 45 to 64 years.

For men, the researchers observed increases in age-adjusted suicide rates for all race and ethnicity groups except non-Hispanic API; the largest increase was seen for non-Hispanic AIAN men (71 percent increase). For men aged 15 to 24 and 25 to 44 years, the highest rates were seen for non-Hispanic AIANs, while for men aged 45 to 64 years, the highest rate was seen for non-Hispanic white men.

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