

Table 8.57A Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide in Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age Group and Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2017 and 2018

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	Aged 18+ (2017)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2017)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 26+ (2017)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26-49 (2017)	Aged 26-49 (2018)	Aged 50+ (2017)	Aged 50+ (2018)
TOTAL	10,642	10,744	3,555	3,709	7,087	7,035	4,292	4,657	2,795	2,379
GEOGRAPHIC REGION										
Northeast	1,619	1,686	544	639	1,075	1,047	654	744	421	303
Midwest	2,384	2,426	823	888	1,561	1,538	1,034	1,017	526	521
South	3,898	3,685	1,249	1,263	2,649	2,423	1,539	1,631	1,110	791
West	2,741	2,947	939	920	1,802	2,027	1,064	1,264	738	763
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	5,514	5,697	1,934	1,995	3,580	3,702	2,325	2,592	1,255	1,110
Small Metro	3,406	3,516	1,116	1,207	2,290	2,309	1,314	1,509	975	800
Nonmetro	1,722	1,531	505	507	1,217	1,025	652	555	565	469
Urbanized	755	778	252	254	504	524	299	278	205	246
Less Urbanized	823	633	224	221	599	412	310	246	289	166
Completely Rural	144	121	29	32	114	89	43	31	72	58
POVERTY LEVEL¹										
Less Than 100%	2,145	2,338	834	946	1,311	1,392	849	906	462	486
100-199%	2,370	2,369	905	855	1,465	1,514	894	1,027	572	487
200% or More	6,031	5,947	1,721	1,818	4,311	4,129	2,549	2,724	1,762	1,405
EDUCATION										
< High School	1,274	1,230	465	450	808	780	433	456	375	324
High School Graduate	2,626	2,837	1,130	1,164	1,496	1,673	901	937	595	736
Some College/Associate's Degree	4,238	4,150	1,591	1,680	2,647	2,470	1,705	1,746	942	725
College Graduate	2,504	2,527	369	414	2,135	2,113	1,252 ^a	1,518	883	594
HEALTH INSURANCE²										
Private	5,982	5,900	2,111	2,258	3,870	3,642	2,237	2,359	1,634	1,283
Medicaid/CHIP	2,390	2,462	827	822	1,563	1,641	1,117	1,075	446	565
Other ³	2,269	2,021	297	275	1,972	1,746	495	553	1,478	1,193
No Coverage	1,361	1,625	454	507	907	1,117	728 ^a	964	179	153

* = low precision; -- = not available; da = does not apply; nc = not comparable due to methodological changes; nr = not reported due to measurement issues.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown suicide information were excluded.

^a The difference between this estimate and the 2018 estimate is statistically significant at the .05 level. Rounding may make the estimates appear identical.

¹ Respondents aged 18 to 22 who were living in a college dormitory were excluded.

² Respondents could indicate multiple types of health insurance; thus, these response categories are not mutually exclusive.

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Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

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Table 8.57B Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide in Past Year among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Age Group and Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics: Percentages, 2017 and 2018

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	Aged 18+ (2017)	Aged 18+ (2018)	Aged 18-25 (2017)	Aged 18-25 (2018)	Aged 26+ (2017)	Aged 26+ (2018)	Aged 26-49 (2017)	Aged 26-49 (2018)	Aged 50+ (2017)	Aged 50+ (2018)
TOTAL	4.3	4.3	10.5	11.0	3.3	3.3	4.3	4.7	2.5	2.1
GEOGRAPHIC REGION										
Northeast	3.7	3.9	9.1	11.0	2.8	2.8	3.8	4.4	2.0	1.5
Midwest	4.6	4.7	11.3	12.4	3.5	3.5	5.1	5.0	2.2	2.1
South	4.2	3.9	9.9	10.0	3.3	3.0	4.1	4.3	2.6	1.8
West	4.7	5.0	11.6	11.4	3.6	4.0	4.3	5.1	2.9	3.0
COUNTY TYPE										
Large Metro	4.0	4.1	10.1	10.6	3.0	3.1	3.9	4.4	2.1	1.9
Small Metro	4.7	4.8	10.6	11.4	3.7	3.7	4.7	5.2	2.9	2.3
Nonmetro	4.9	4.3	11.6	11.7	3.9	3.3	5.1	4.6	3.1	2.4
Urbanized	5.0	4.8	12.3	13.4	3.8	3.7	5.4	5.0	2.7	2.8
Less Urbanized	4.8	3.9	11.1	10.6	4.0	2.9	5.1	4.3	3.2	1.9
Completely Rural	4.6	3.6	10.8	9.5	4.0	3.0	4.2	3.4	4.0	2.8
POVERTY LEVEL¹										
Less Than 100%	6.4	6.9	10.0	11.5	5.2	5.4	5.9	6.3	4.2	4.2
100-199%	4.9	4.9	11.0	10.5	3.7	3.7	4.7	5.4	2.7	2.3
200% or More	3.7	3.6	10.3	11.0	2.9	2.8	3.8	4.1	2.2	1.7
EDUCATION										
< High School	4.2	4.0	10.2	9.8	3.1	3.0	3.9	4.1	2.5	2.2
High School Graduate	4.4	4.6	11.0	11.3	3.1	3.3	4.4	4.5	2.1	2.4
Some College/Associate's Degree	5.5	5.4	11.3	12.5	4.2	3.9	5.6	5.7	2.9	2.2
College Graduate	3.2	3.2	7.2	7.7	2.9	2.9	3.3 ^a	4.0	2.4	1.7
HEALTH INSURANCE²										
Private	3.6	3.6	10.2	11.1	2.7	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.1	1.7
Medicaid/CHIP	6.7	6.8	11.3	11.5	5.5	5.6	6.9	6.8	3.7	4.2
Other ³	3.4	3.0	11.9	10.8	3.1	2.7	6.5	7.2	2.6	2.1
No Coverage	5.9	6.7	9.9	10.7	4.9	5.7	5.3	6.8	3.6	2.8

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