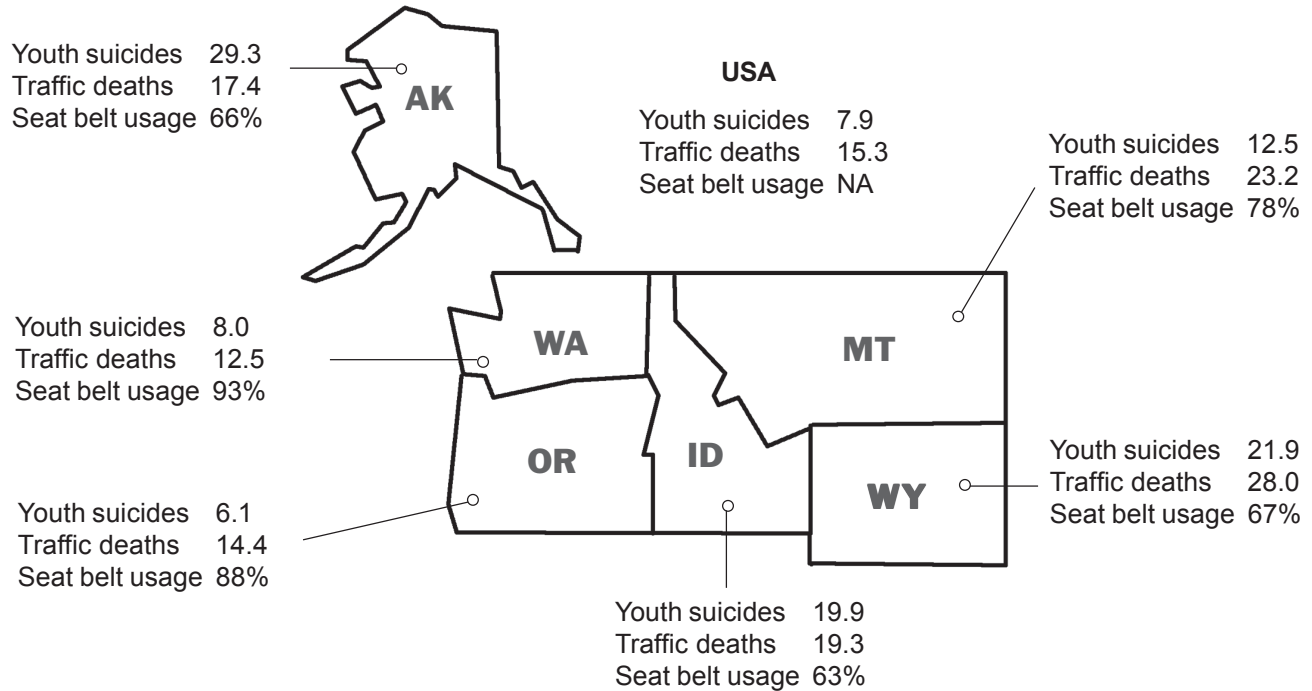


Northwest Region at a Glance

Selected Public Health Indicators



Notes: Youth suicides are for 15- to 19-year-olds per 100,000 population, 2001; Traffic accident deaths are per 100,000 population, 2001; seat belt usage data is for drivers and front-seat passengers, all ages, 2002. **Sources:** Youth suicides and traffic deaths: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Web-based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System (WISQARS), 2003. www.cdc.gov/ncipc/wisqars (7/26/04); seat belt usage: National Center for Statistics and Analysis. DOT HS 809 587, May 2003. www.nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/pdf/nrd-30/NCSA/RNotes/2003/809-587.pdf (8/10/04).

Ways to Look at How Public Health Is Doing

Indicator	Alaska	Idaho	Montana	Oregon	Washington	Wyoming	USA
Immunization coverage (4:3:1:3) ¹	81.4%	81.6%	84.6%	79.3%	79.7%	77.2%	77.5%
Low birth weight, percent of live births ²	5.8%	6.1%	6.8%	5.6%	5.5%	NA	7.8%
Infant mortality, per/1,000 live births ³	6.3	7.2	6.8	5.6	5.3	7.0	7.0
KIDS COUNT Child well-being rank ⁴	40	23	33	25	17	24	
State per capita income ⁵	\$22,660	\$17,841	\$17,151	\$20,940	\$22,973	\$19,134	\$22,970
State rankings for per capita income ⁴	14	41	46	23	12	36	
Percent below 125% poverty: 2002 ⁶	11.8%	16.3%	19.3%	16.2%	15.6%	13.2%	16.5%
Gini Ratio* ⁷	0.402	0.427	0.436	0.438	0.436	0.428	0.463

***Gini Ratio:** "The Gini ratio (or index of income concentration) is a statistical measure of income equality ranging from 0 to 1. A measure of 1 indicates perfect inequality; i.e., one person has all the income, and the rest have none. A measure of 0 indicates perfect equality; i.e., all people have equal shares of income." <http://www.census.gov/hhes/income/histinc/state/state4.html>.

Sources: ¹National Immunization Survey. Table 2. Estimated vaccination coverage levels, among children aged 19-35 months. US, 2003. MMWR, 7/30/04 53(29):658-661. www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5329a3.htm#tab2; ² National Vital Statistics Reports. Table 46. Percent low birthrate, 2002. 52:10, 12/17/03; ³ National Vital Statistics Reports. Table 1. Infant mortality rates, 1998-2000. 50:12, 8/28/02; ⁴ Annie E. Casey Foundation. Kids Count 2003. Table 2. State rankings on per capita income, and KIDS COUNT child well-being index 2000. www.kidscount.org; ⁵ US Census. Table P-1. Total CPS population and per capita money income: 1967 to 2001. www.census.gov/hhes/income/histinc/p01.html; ⁶ US Census Bureau. Annual demographic survey, poverty status by state, 2002; ⁷ US. Census. Table S4. Gini ratios by state 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999. www.census.gov/hhes/income/histinc/state/state4.html.
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