

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION  
DATA SUMMARY SHEET ON SUICIDE DEATHS AND NONFATAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES  
KERN COUNTY**

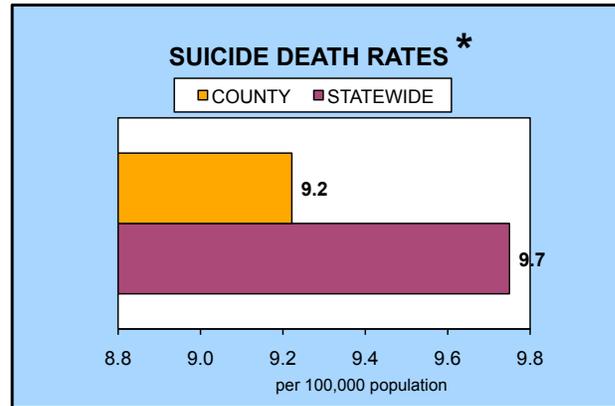
**YEAR** 2008

**CALIFORNIA DATA**

POPULATION	38,246,598
SUICIDE DEATHS	3,729
SUICIDE DEATH RATE	9.7
NONFATAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES	16,225
NONFATAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURY RATE	42.4

**COUNTY: KERN**

POPULATION	835,007
SUICIDE DEATHS	77
SUICIDE DEATH RATE	9.2
NONFATAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES	352
NONFATAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURY RATE	42.2



**ADDITIONAL COUNTY DATA**

**SUICIDE DEATHS BY AGE, GENDER & RACE/ETHNICITY**

AGE GROUPS	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+
POPULATION	133,639	148,343	124,454	105,703	107,810	69,384	39,288	23,515	8,048
SUICIDE DEATHS	0	12	6	12	19	13	5	7	3
SUICIDE DEATH RATE	0.0	8.1	4.8	11.4	17.6	18.7	12.7	29.8	37.3

GENDER	FEMALES	MALES
POPULATION	407,127	427,880
SUICIDE DEATHS	17	60
SUICIDE DEATH RATE	4.2	14.0

RACE/ETHNICITY	AMERICAN INDIAN / ALASKAN NATIVE	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	HAWAIIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	WHITE	TWO OR MORE RACES
POPULATION	7,018	31,057	46,258	368,818	839	369,718	11,299
SUICIDE DEATHS	0	0	0	25	0	52	0
SUICIDE DEATH RATE	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.8	0.0	14.1	0.0

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1) Use caution when analyzing small numbers and rates derived from them; 2) Rates calculated from small numbers of deaths or from small populations tend to be **unreliable** and are subject to significant variation between years; 3) Rates may not provide statistically valid methods for comparison, particularly among smaller children.