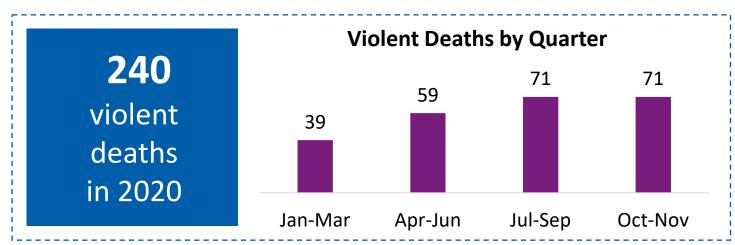
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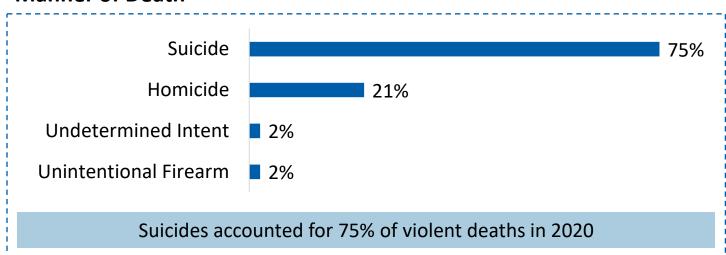
Violent Deaths in South Dakota, 2020

What is SD-VDRS?

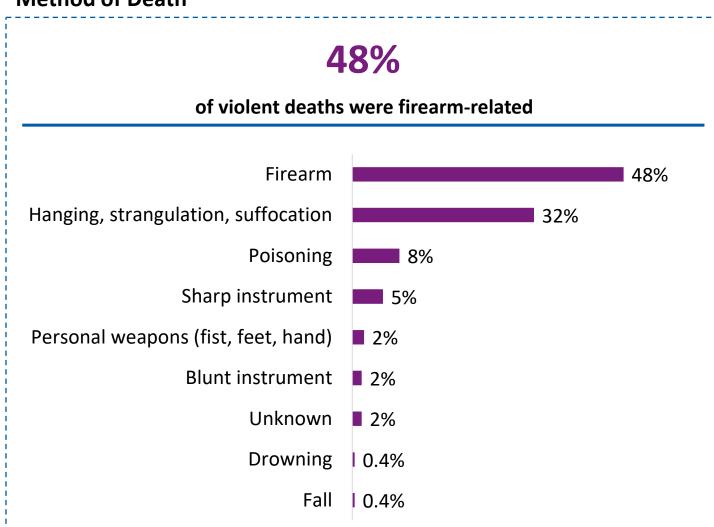
The South Dakota Violent Death Reporting System (SD-VDRS) is a CDC-funded statewide surveillance system that collects information on suicides, homicides, deaths of undetermined intent, unintentional firearm deaths, and legal intervention deaths that occur in the state. Information collected comes from multiple data sources: death certificates, coroner reports, toxicology reports, and law enforcement reports. The purpose of this program is to understand and aid in the prevention of violent deaths in South Dakota.



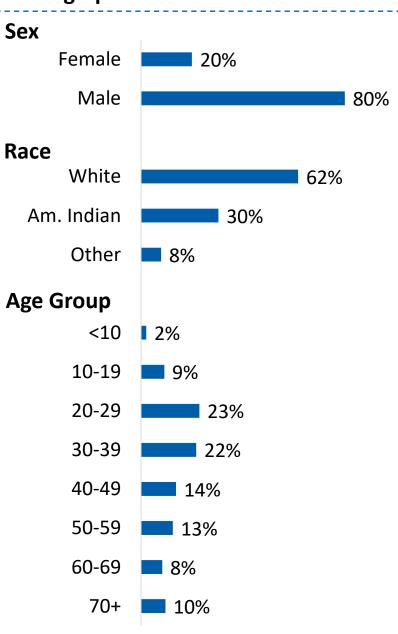
Manner of Death



Method of Death



Demographics



The largest proportion of violent deaths were among males, individuals aged 20-29 years, and those who were White.

What SD-VDRS Can Do

Violence is a major public health problem and preventing violent deaths starts with knowing the facts.

SD-VDRS data can be used to:

- Inform decision makers
- Educate communities
- Develop and tailor prevention efforts
- **Evaluate** the impact of prevention programs

