

# Injury in Nebraska 2009-2013



## Injury Deaths 2009-2013

- Injury was the leading cause of death for people aged 1-44 years old in Nebraska with the exception of the age group 5-9 years.
- The three leading causes of injury death were motor vehicle crashes, suicide, and unintentional falls.
- For Nebraskans ages 5-34 years, injuries accounted for over 50% of all deaths. For Nebraskans ages 15-24 years, injury accounted for 75.4% of all deaths.
- On average, more years of potential life were lost due to unintentional and intentional injury than due to any other cause of death, with the exception of cancer.

Fig 1. Age-adjusted death rates due to leading causes of injury, Nebraska, 2009-2013

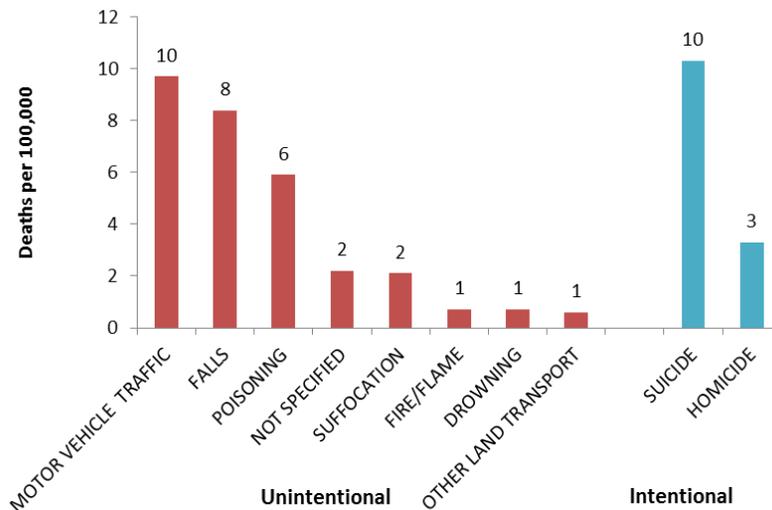
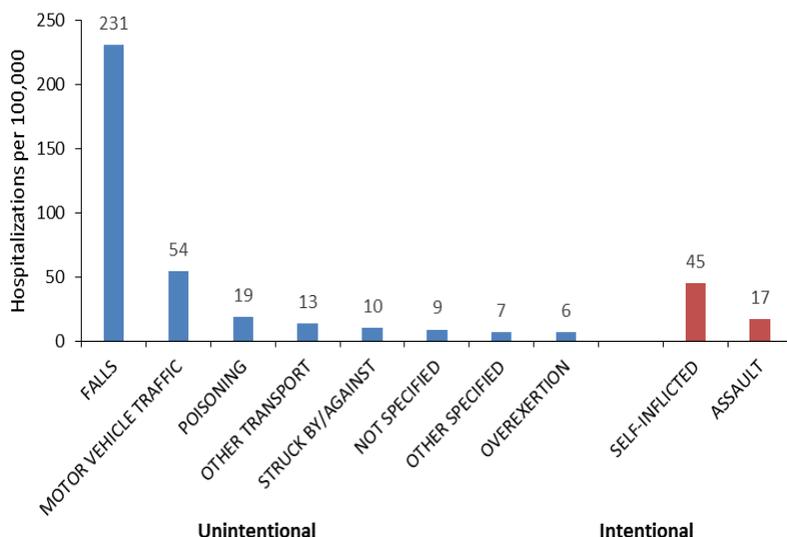


Fig 2. Age-adjusted hospitalization rates due to leading causes of injury, Nebraska, 2009-2013



## Injury-related hospitalizations and emergency department (ED) visits 2009-2013

- The three leading causes of injury related hospitalization were unintentional falls, motor vehicle crashes, and self-inflicted injuries.
- Hospitalization rates for motor vehicle crash-related injuries were highest among young adults and seniors.
- Injuries resulting from falls were low until the age of 65 years, at which age they rose dramatically.
- Unintentional falls, struck by/against, and motor vehicle injuries were the three leading causes of ED visits due to injury.

For more information on injury in Nebraska, contact the DHHS Injury Prevention and Control Program at (402) 471-2101 or visit <http://dhhs.ne.gov/InjuryPrevention>