

Road Fatalities and Suicides in Australia.

This 14p pdf also contains 'raw' data on Road Fatalities from 1970, Suicides from 1921.

The Last Decade 2004-13.

Year	Road	Per Day	Suicide	Per day
2004	1583	4.33	2098	5.74
2005	1627	4.45	2102	5.75
2006	1602	4.38	2118	5.80
2007	1603	4.39	2229	6.10
2008	1437	3.93	2341	6.41
2009	1488	4.07	2286	6.26
2010	1352	3.70	2361	6.46
2011	1291	3.53	2273	6.22
2012	1310	3.58	2535	6.94
2013	1193	3.26	2522	6.90
2014	(1153)*	(3.15)*	<i>Not available till March 2016</i>	
TOTAL	14,486	3.96	22,865	6.26

* Not included in the Total.

The breakdown of Female/Male Suicide (not shown above) - tells us that in this Decade **5,310 Females Suicided**. This is 23% of the TOTAL.

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Road

N.B. All figures quoted* here /100,000 of Pop are 'raw' figures, NOT age adjusted.

Year	Deaths	Per Day	per 100,000 of	Population*
1970	3798 Highest	10.4	31.1	12.2 Million
1984	2822	7.7	18.1	15.3
2013	1193 Lowest	3.2	5.1	23.1

Suicide

1963	1718	4.7	15.8 Highest ever	10.9 Million
1970	1551	4.2	12.4	12.2
1984	1712	4.6	11.0	15.3
1997	2720 Highest ever	7.4	14.7 4th Highest	18.5
2013	2522 4th Highest	6.9	10.9	23.1

The Road Fatality success story, plotted on a graph is a life saving line downwards from 18.1* in 1970 to 5.1* in 2013, **a reduction of 72% in 30 yrs.**

The Suicide Story, a 'National Tragedy'? appears to show a failure of past and present strategies, e.g. we were losing 11.0* in 1984, we are STILL losing 10.9* in 2013! The best I could say is there has been a slight reduction*, but the fact that 2012/13 are the 3rd and 4th highest number of deaths per year on record - **would appear to endorse Kate Carnell's quote, PTO.**

A HUGE, 'Good News' success story and a '*National Tragedy*'?...

Roads

By Hon Catherine King, Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Transport. (2012).

**“In 2011, Australia recorded the lowest number of road deaths since 1946, down to about a third of the deaths recorded at the peak in 1970. Over the past 10 years annual fatalities on Australian roads have fallen by almost 26%.*

These figures reflect the proactive road safety initiatives pursued by Federal and State governments over recent years: the efforts of police and greater care taken by motorists behind the wheel.”

*“Last year the Australian Government in partnership with the States and territories launched the national Road Safety Strategy 2011-2020 that aims to cut road deaths and serious injuries by at least 30 per cent by 2020.”**



Suicides

By the then *beyondblue* CEO Ms Kate Carnell (2014)

**beyondblue CEO Kate Carnell AO has expressed her deepest concerns after Australian Bureau of Statistics figures released today (*beyondblue media release 25.3.14) show suicide was the leading cause of death for Australians aged between 15 and 44 in 2012. The figures, which are preliminary, show 2,535 deaths have so far been recorded as suicide in 2012. This is equivalent to around seven per day or 37 men and 12 women each week, making suicide the 14th most common cause of death in the country.*

*Ms Carnell said the figures represent a national tragedy and should act as a call to action for all Australians to tackle the issue of suicide.**



By the ****Australian Bureau of Statistics.**

***“Suicide rates in Australia peaked in 1963 (17.5 per 100,000), declining to 11.3 per 100,000 in 1984, and climbing back to 14.6 in 1997. The age standardised rate for persons in 2012 was 11.2 per 100,000.” ***

Source of various information *“Australian Road Deaths continue to fall”* Media release CKOOI - 25.1.12. by Hon Catherine King. *A.B.S. “Causes of Death” – Release No 3303.1, 15.3.13, and No 3309.0 25.3.14.*** and *No 3309.0 Suicides Australia* Released 02/11/2012. *beyondblue media release 25.3.14. Wikipedia free encyclopedia* (Road Figures).

N.B. There are a small number of differences between the raw figures of the two Suicide releases in this pdf. The figures I have used in my table on Page 1 come from the table on P14 which I believe to be more correct. Figures I have used /100,000 of population are the 'crude' figures, NOT age adjusted. The link for *Suicides in Australia from Australian Parliament* is on page 7. Tim Barritt.

But with another good news story - just waiting to happen!

Further Comment (by Tim Barritt)

One vital, key component of the Road Accident success story is and has always been aggressive, *in your face*, media advertising. 'Don't drink and drive', 'Arrive alive', 'Don't speed or you'll be a w**ker', etc.

This is why I started this in June 2013, and am now writing my 77th Advert.

Suicide Prevention ads can be created to save lives short, medium and long term in the same ad. To my best knowledge this has never been tried before.

It may need some 'special', gifted and talented people to create it, but I believe it will lead to healthier, happier communities because it is ALSO gives positive thinking and lots of life giving emotional information. It is extremely cost effective to deliver, the adverts I am putting out cost around 10cents per read, worked out on a conservative uptake of just 10% of newspaper readers.

Just how much is one Aussies life really worth!



List of motor vehicle deaths in Australia by year

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

This is a list of motor vehicle deaths in [Australia](#) by year. This list shows the *annual* number of road fatalities (road deaths or [Road toll](#)) *per capita per year*, *per vehicle* and *per vehicle-km* in the year the data was collected. The list includes all road users such as drivers, passengers, pedestrians, motorcyclists and cyclists.

Year	Total road fatalities	Road fatalities per 100,000 population per year	Road fatalities per 100,000 motor vehicles	Road fatalities per 1 billion vehicle-km	Source
1970	3,798				^[1]
1975		26.59			
1976				35.5	
1979				31.5	

Year	Total road fatalities	Road fatalities per 100,000 population per year	Road fatalities per 100,000 motor vehicles	Road fatalities per 1 billion vehicle-km	Source
1980		22.27	43.2		
1982	3,252	21.4 ^[2]		25.6	
1983	2,755	17.9			[2]
1984	2,822	18.1			[2]
1985	2,941	18.63	32.3	20.9	
1986	2,888	18.0			[2]
1987	2,772	17.0			[2]
1988	2,887	17.5		18.8	[2]
1989	2,801	16.7			[2]
1990	2,331	13.66	23.1		
1991	2,113	12.2		14.1	[2]
1992	1,974	11.28			
1993	1,953	11.05			

Year	Total road fatalities	Road fatalities per 100,000 population per year	Road fatalities per 100,000 motor vehicles	Road fatalities per 1 billion vehicle-km	Source
1994	1,928	10.80	18.0		
1995	2,017	11.16	18.4	12.1	
1996	1,970	10.76	17.3		
1997	1,767	9.54	15.1		
1998	1,755	9.38	14.5	10.5	
1999	1,764	9.32	14.4		
2000	1,817	9.49	14.6	9.8	
2001	1,737	8.95	13.9	9.1	
2002	1,715	8.73	13.4	8.9	
2003	1,621	8.15	12.3	8.0	
2004	1,583	7.86	11.7	8.0	
2005	1,627	7.98	11.7	7.9	
2006	1,602	7.72	11.2	7.7	

Year	Total road fatalities	Road fatalities per 100,000 population per year	Road fatalities per 100,000 motor vehicles	Road fatalities per 1 billion vehicle-km	Source
2007	1,603	7.62	10.8	7.4	
2008	1,437	6.68	9	6.5	[3][2]
2009	1,488	6.78, or 6.86 ^[4]	10	6.7	[2]
2010	1,352	6.06, or 6.14 ^[4]	8.4	6.1	[1][2][5]
2011	1,291	5.71, or 5.72 ^[4]	5.5	5.8	[2]
2012	1,310	5.78, or 5.73 ^[4]	5.5	5.7	[6]
2013	1,193	5.16	–	–	[4]

See also [\[edit\]](#)

- [List of countries by traffic-related death rate](#)
- [List of motor vehicle deaths in Thailand by year](#)
- [List of motor vehicle deaths in Japan by year](#)
- [List of motor vehicle deaths in U.S. by year](#)

References [\[edit\]](#)

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4. [^] [Jump up to:](#) ^a ^b ^c ^d ^e [Road Deaths Australia : December 2013 Monthly Bulletin](#); Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics (BITRE)

Below is the link to find this Appendix **with Australia Suicide figures from 1921**. Suicide in Australia, Parliament of Australia, 29th July 2011.

http://www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/Parliamentary_Departments/Parliamentary_Library/pubs/BN/2011-2012/Suicide

or Google below should get you there, this site has its own pdf you can download print out if needed.

Parliament of Australia, Suicide in Australia, 29 July 2011.

Appendix

Table A: Suicide deaths by year of registration by sex, 1921–2009: number, crude rate and age-standardised death rate (a)

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1921	510	111	621	82.1	18.4	4.1	11.4	22.6	4.8	14.0
1922	441	92	533	82.7	15.6	3.4	9.6	19.8	3.8	12.0
1923	492	107	599	82.1	17.0	3.8	10.5	21.0	4.3	12.9
1924	534	119	653	81.8	18.0	4.2	11.2	22.2	4.7	13.7
1925	569	131	700	81.3	18.8	4.5	11.8	23.3	5.1	14.4
1926	583	128	711	82.0	18.9	4.3	11.7	22.8	5.1	14.2
1927	598	142	740	80.8	18.9	4.7	12.0	22.7	5.3	14.2
1928	635	142	777	81.7	19.7	4.6	12.3	23.6	5.2	14.6
1929	644	141	785	82.0	19.7	4.5	12.3	22.9	5.0	14.1

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1930	791	152	943	83.9	24.0	4.8	14.6	28.1	5.2	16.8
1931	689	138	827	83.3	20.7	4.3	12.7	24.5	4.7	14.7
1932	598	156	754	79.3	17.9	4.8	11.5	20.9	5.2	13.1
1933	633	157	790	80.1	18.8	4.8	11.9	21.4	5.1	13.3
1934	643	183	826	77.8	19.0	5.6	12.4	21.8	5.9	13.9
1935	612	181	793	77.2	17.9	5.5	11.8	20.1	5.8	13.0
1936	611	178	789	77.4	17.8	5.3	11.6	20.1	5.5	12.8
1937	573	148	721	79.5	16.6	4.4	10.5	18.6	4.6	11.6
1938	574	172	746	76.9	16.4	5.0	10.8	18.2	5.3	11.7
1939	602	179	781	77.1	17.1	5.2	11.2	18.9	5.4	12.1
1940	468	175	643	72.8	16.0	5.0	10.6	17.2	5.3	11.2
1941	463	161	624	74.2	12.9	4.6	8.8	14.4	4.6	9.4
1942	432	162	594	72.7	12.0	4.5	8.3	12.8	4.6	8.7
1943	376	140	516	72.9	10.3	3.9	7.1	11.6	4.0	7.7
1944	362	178	540	67.0	9.9	4.9	7.4	11.0	5.0	7.9
1945	394	173	567	69.5	10.6	4.7	7.7	11.8	4.7	8.2
1946	513	219	732	70.1	13.7	5.9	9.8	15.0	6.1	10.4
1947	546	200	746	73.2	14.4	5.3	9.8	15.8	5.4	10.5
1948	578	159	737	78.4	15.0	4.1	9.6	16.4	4.2	10.2

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1949	599	174	773	77.5	15.1	4.4	9.8	16.7	4.6	10.5
1950	567	193	760	74.6	13.8	4.8	9.3	15.4	4.9	10.0
1951	608	197	805	75.5	14.3	4.7	9.6	15.6	4.9	10.2
1952	694	225	919	75.5	15.9	5.3	10.6	17.6	5.5	11.5
1953	698	261	959	72.8	15.6	6.0	10.9	17.4	6.2	11.7
1954	724	245	969	74.7	15.9	5.5	10.8	18.0	5.8	11.7
1955	701	245	946	74.1	15.1	5.4	10.3	17.2	5.6	11.2
1956	751	270	1 021	73.6	15.7	5.8	10.8	17.7	6.2	11.8
1957	844	326	1 170	72.1	17.3	6.9	12.1	19.4	7.2	13.2
1958	910	297	1 207	75.4	18.3	6.1	12.3	20.7	6.5	13.4
1959	827	288	1 115	74.2	16.3	5.8	11.1	18.4	6.1	12.1
1960	778	314	1 092	71.2	15.0	6.2	10.6	17.1	6.6	11.7
1961	901	348	1 249	72.1	17.0	6.7	11.9	19.0	7.3	13.0
1962	1 011	458	1 469	68.8	18.7	8.6	13.7	21.2	9.3	15.2
1963	1 143	575	1 718	66.5	20.8	10.6	15.8	23.7	11.6	17.5
1964	1 071	549	1 620	66.1	19.1	10.0	14.6	21.9	10.8	16.2
1965	1 075	610	1 685	63.8	18.8	10.8	14.9	21.4	11.9	16.5

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1966	1 017	607	1 624	62.6	17.4	10.5	14.0	20.0	11.6	15.6
1967	1 125	653	1 778	63.3	18.9	11.1	15.1	21.9	12.2	16.9
1968	1 022	505	1 527	66.9	16.9	8.5	12.7	19.3	9.3	14.1
1969	1 025	477	1 502	68.2	16.6	7.8	12.2	19.2	8.6	13.7
1970	1 076	475	1 551	69.4	17.1	7.6	12.4	19.4	8.3	13.7
1971	1 150	588	1 738	66.2	17.5	9.0	13.3	19.8	9.9	14.7
1972	1 085	540	1 625	66.8	16.2	8.2	12.2	18.4	8.9	13.5
1973	1 036	492	1 528	67.8	15.3	7.3	12.4	17.2	7.9	12.4
1974	1 073	494	1 567	68.5	15.6	7.2	13.3	17.5	7.8	12.5
1975	1 050	478	1 528	68.7	15.1	6.9	12.2	16.9	7.5	12.0
1976	1 098	406	1 504	73.0	15.6	5.8	11.3	17.3	6.2	11.6
1977	1 128	438	1 566	72.0	15.9	6.2	11.4	17.4	6.6	11.9
1978	1 126	469	1 595	70.6	15.7	6.5	11.0	17.0	7.0	11.8
1979	1 198	479	1 677	71.4	16.5	6.6	11.6	17.6	6.9	12.2

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1980	1 199	408	1 607	74.6	16.3	5.5	10.9	17.6	5.9	11.6
1981	1 259	413	1 672	75.3	16.9	5.5	11.2	18.1	5.8	11.8
1982	1 318	459	1 777	74.2	17.4	6.0	11.7	18.5	6.3	12.2
1983	1 308	418	1 726	75.8	17.0	5.4	11.2	18.0	5.6	11.6
1984	1 309	403	1 712	76.5	16.8	5.2	11.0	17.6	5.3	11.3
1985	1 428	399	1 827	78.2	18.1	5.0	11.6	18.7	5.1	11.8
1986	1 531	451	1 982	77.2	19.1	5.6	12.4	19.8	5.7	12.6
1987	1 773	467	2 240	79.2	21.8	5.7	13.8	22.5	5.7	13.9
1988	1 730	467	2 197	78.7	21.0	5.6	13.3	21.5	5.6	13.4
1989	1 658	438	2 096	79.1	19.8	5.2	12.5	20.1	5.2	12.5
1990	1 735	426	2 161	80.3	20.4	5.0	12.7	20.7	4.9	12.7
1991	1 847	513	2 360	78.3	21.4	5.9	13.7	21.7	5.9	13.7
1992	1 820	474	2 294	79.3	20.9	5.4	13.1	21.1	5.3	13.1
1993	1 687	394	2 081	81.1	19.2	4.4	11.8	19.3	4.3	11.7

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1994	1 830	428	2 258	81.0	20.6	4.8	12.6	20.7	4.7	12.6
1995	1 873	495	2 368	79.1	21.1	5.5	13.1	21.1	5.5	13.0
1996	1 931	462	2 393	80.7	21.5	5.1	13.1	21.5	5.1	13.0
1997	2 143	577	2 720	78.8	23.6	6.2	14.7	23.6	6.2	14.6
1998	2 150	533	2 683	80.1	23.1	5.7	14.3	23.2	5.6	14.3
1999	2 002	490	2 492	80.3	21.3	5.1	13.2	21.3	5.1	13.2
2000	1 864	503	2 367	78.7	19.6	5.2	12.4	19.6	5.2	12.4
2001	1 936	521	2 457	78.8	20.1	5.3	12.7	20.1	5.3	12.7
2002	1 817	503	2 320	78.3	18.6	5.1	11.8	18.6	5.1	11.8
2003	1 737	477	2 214	78.5	17.6	4.8	11.1	17.6	4.8	11.1
2004	1 661	437	2 098	79.2	16.6	4.3	10.4	16.6	4.3	10.4
2005	1 658	444	2 102	78.9	16.4	4.3	10.3	16.4	4.3	10.3
2006	1 398	401	1 799	77.7	13.6	3.9	8.7	13.6	3.9	8.7
2007	1 699	530	2 229	76.2	15.3	4.6	9.9	16.2	5.0	10.6

Year	Person Count			Males as percentage of total	Crude suicide rate (b)			Age-standardised death rate (c)		
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2008(d)	1 785	497	2 282	78.2	16.0	4.5	10.2	16.7	4.6	10.6
2009(d) (d) (d)(d)	1 633	499	2 132	76.6	14.9	4.5	9.7



The following is part of ABS release ...

[Which has some interesting breakdowns of the figures for each State - with some additional information re 'Town and Country.](#)

3309.0 - Suicides Australia, 2010, Released 02.11.2012.

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ABS Suicides, Australia, 2010, 3303.0 Released 02/11/2012

(be careful, there is another on with a different release date)

Table 4.1 (next page) reports the number of suicide deaths per year between 2001 and 2010 for each state and territory, including Capital City SDs, and 'other urban' areas and 'rest of state/territory' where applicable. Age-standardised death rates for 2001-2005 and 2006-2010 are supplied for the same regions.

N.B. the 2010 figure did NOT make it onto my pdf.

Table 4.1. Suicide(a), Number of deaths and age-standardised death rates by geographic region, Australia

	Year of Registration									
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New South Wales(e)										
Sydney SD	424	387	379	358	342	340	393	362	362	
Other urban NSW	139	157	113	109	98	129	140	127	130	
Rest of NSW	222	148	148	120	109	108	78	131	99	
Total New South Wales	785	692	640	587	549	577	611	620	591	
Victoria										
Melbourne SD	384	370	372	345	333	330	327	374	380	
Other urban Vic	57	81	62	71	64	64	63	76	82	
Rest of Vic	100	77	106	105	109	91	84	95	102	
Total Victoria	541	528	540	521	506	485	474	545	564	
Queensland										
Brisbane SD	192	195	220	194	179	187	189	216	199	
Other urban Qld	156	192	154	157	124	171	191	215	177	
Rest of Qld	152	150	92	102	156	136	140	122	141	
Total Queensland	500	537	466	453	459	494	520	553	517	
South Australia										
Adelaide SD	148	126	137	125	173	133	148	125	144	
Rest of SA	60	44	56	53	58	47	57	50	42	
Total South Australia	208	170	193	178	231	180	205	175	186	
Western Australia										
Perth SD	199	164	164	141	142	157	180	219	189	
Other urban WA(f)	n.a	27	23	14	16	19	20	27	28	
Rest of WA	71	51	40	39	45	69	66	54	61	
Total Western Australia	270	242	227	194	203	245	266	300	278	
Tasmania										
Greater Hobart SD	26	27	27	29	29	28	22	27	37	
Other urban Tas	29	27	20	35	28	20	25	26	28	
Rest of Tas	9	16	22	24	17	24	19	20	16	
Total Tasmania	64	70	69	88	74	72	66	73	81	
Northern Territory										
Darwin SD	20	24	20	22	23	14	27	23	20	
Rest of NT	23	31	24	29	22	19	28	15	17	
Total Northern Territory	43	55	44	51	45	33	55	38	37	
Australian Capital Territory	46	26	35	26	35	32	32	36	31	
Australia(g)	2,457	2,320	2,214	2,098	2,102	2,118	2,229	2,341	2,286	2,310

(a) Includes ICD-10 codes X60-X84 and Y87.0. Care needs to be taken in interpreting figures relating to suicide. See Causes of Death, Australia, Notes 98-101.

(b) All causes of death data from 2006 onward are subject to a revisions process - once data for a reference year are 'final', they are no longer revised. Final data are: 2006 (final) 2007 (final), 2008 (final), 2009 (revised), 2010 (preliminary). See Causes of Death, Australia, 2009 (cat. no. 3303.0) Technical Notes for more information.

(c) Cells with small values have been randomly assigned to protect the confidentiality of individuals. As a result, some totals will not equal the sum of the parts. Cells with a zero value have not been affected by confidentialisation.

(d) Age-standardised rate per 100,000. Standardised using direct method and the Australian estimated resident population

(e) Data is based on Statistical Local Area of usual residence.

(f) Data is produced based on geographical classifications provided in the ASGC (cat. no. 1216.0) for the year prior to the reference year. Western Districts in 2000, as such, 'other urban' could not be produced for 2001.

(g) Includes Other territories