

# Utah Youth Suicide Facts

**2nd!**  
leading cause  
of death for  
ages 10-17<sup>1</sup>

In 2011,  
enough Utah  
students  
seriously consid-  
ered attempting  
suicide to fill  
740 classrooms<sup>2\*</sup>

\*Based on an average classroom size of 30 students

Utah ranks  
**5th**  
in the nation for  
youth suicide  
deaths<sup>3</sup>

## In an average classroom size of 30...



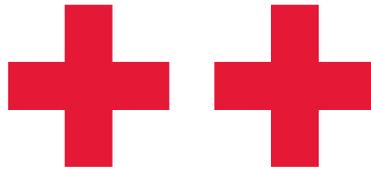
8 will report feeling sad and hopeless<sup>2</sup>



4 will have seriously considered suicide<sup>2</sup>



4 will have made a suicide plan<sup>2</sup>

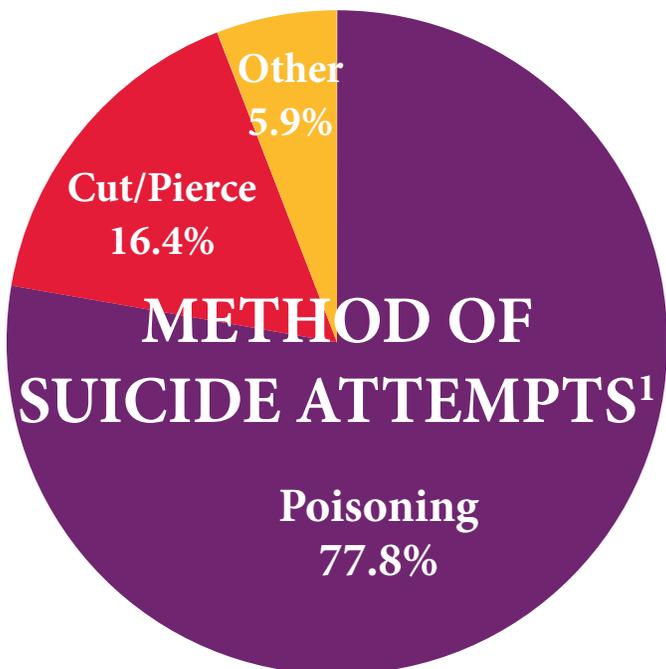


2 will have attempted  
suicide one or  
more times<sup>2</sup>



1 will have had  
medical treatment  
for a suicide attempt<sup>2</sup>

## 598 YOUTH ATTEMPTED SUICIDE IN 2011<sup>1</sup>



7 out of 10 youth  
suicide attempts are girls<sup>1</sup>



7 out of 10 youth  
suicide deaths are boys<sup>1</sup>



\*Other includes fall, fire/flame/smoke, firearm, motor vehicle traffic other & unspecified, and suffocation.



For more information visit:  
[www.health.utah.gov/vipp](http://www.health.utah.gov/vipp)



1. Utah Department of Health Indicator-based Information System for Public Health, 2011  
2. Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2011 and USOE public high school enrollment, school year 2011-2012  
3. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web-based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System, 2010