

TOP 10 LEADING CAUSES OF INJURY DEATH* BY AGE GROUP AND INJURY MECHANISM: NEW SOUTH WALES, 1998-2002†

	<1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Total
1	Suffocation 28	Drowning 62	Motor vehicle transport 41	Motor vehicle transport 54	Motor vehicle transport 703	Suicide 876	Suicide 886	Suicide 639	Suicide 344	Fall 778	Suicide 3,822
2	Drowning 13	Motor vehicle transport 61	Drowning 11	Suicide 13	Suicide 515	Motor vehicle transport 476	Motor vehicle transport 370	Motor vehicle transport 308	Motor vehicle transport 216	Suicide 548	Motor vehicle transport 2,765
3	Interpersonal violence 9	Interpersonal violence 19	Interpersonal violence 9	Drowning 7	Poisoning 136	Poisoning 361	Poisoning 323	Poisoning 143	Fall 87	Motor vehicle transport 532	Poisoning 1,118
4	Motor vehicle transport #	Suffocation 12	Suffocation 8	Interpersonal violence 5	Interpersonal violence 82	Interpersonal violence 131	Interpersonal violence 109	Interpersonal violence 75	Poisoning 68	Suffocation 143	Fall 1,093
5	Struck by/Against #	Struck by/Against 8	Fall #	Fire/burn 5	Drowning 47	Drowning 71	Drowning 63	Fall 73	Drowning 46	Complications of care 134	Interpersonal violence 513
6	Poisoning #	Fall 6	Fire/burn #	Struck by/Against #	Fall 39	Fall 58	Fall 45	Drowning 71	Interpersonal violence 38	Fire/burn 89	Drowning 468
7	Complications of care #	Fire/burn #	Natural/enviromental Factors #	Poisoning #	Rail transport 25	Suffocation 34	Suffocation 34	Suffocation 35	Suffocation 20	Poisoning 78	Suffocation 331
8		Poisoning #	Struck by/Against #	Fall #	Suffocation 17	Rail transport 22	Struck by/Against 16	Struck by/Against 26	Fire/burn 16	Drowning 77	Fire/burn 180
9		Rail transport #	Poisoning #	Water Transport #	Struck by/Against 12	Fire/burn 14	Fire/burn 15	Fire/burn 26	Complications of care 16	Interpersonal violence 36	Complications of care 174
10		Natural/enviromental Factors #	Rail transport #	Air Transport #	Fire/burn 10	Struck by/Against 11	Air Transport 14	Machinery 13	Air Transport 12	Natural/enviromental Factors 35	Struck by/Against 111

* Numbers represent the number of cases. † Injury mechanisms were classified according to recommended Ecode groupings for ICD-9 and ICD-10 from the Centers for Disease Control, USA. See Appendix 3. # Cell size less than five cases



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