TRENDS IN FALL RELATED DEATHS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

- Falls were the fourth leading cause of injury death in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Between 1998 and 2002, 1093 people died as a result of falls in NSW.
- There was no statistically significant trend in falls death rates in NSW from 1986 to 2002.

![Yearly trend in death rates for falls: NSW, 1986-2002](chart.png)

- People aged 70+ years had the highest rates of death due to falls in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Males accounted for 59% of all falls deaths in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- From 1998 to 2002, falls on the same level-tripped or pushed (15%) was the most common type of falls death in NSW.