TRENDS IN INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE DEATHS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

- Interpersonal violence was the fifth leading cause of injury death in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Between 1998 and 2002, 513 people died as a result of interpersonal violence in NSW.
- There was a statistically significant decline in interpersonal violence death rates in NSW from 1986 to 2002.

**Yearly trend in death rates for interpersonal violence: NSW, 1986-2002**

![Graph showing yearly trend in death rates for interpersonal violence]

- People aged under five years and 30-34 years had the highest rates of death due to interpersonal violence in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Males accounted for 70% of all interpersonal violence deaths in NSW in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- From 1998 to 2002, *sharp or blunt objects* (43%) and *firearms* (21%) were the most common causes of interpersonal violence-related death in NSW.