

Table 10.32C Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 or Older; by Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics, Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, 2008-2020

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
TOTAL	299	299	311	299	305	340	281	280	267	289	282	300	<i>499</i>
GEOGRAPHIC REGION													
Northeast	123	115	121	125	127	128	108	128	114	112	103	135	<i>180</i>
Midwest	127	129	130	127	115	130	129	118	115	119	120	131	<i>235</i>
South	178	178	193	178	196	225	161	172	154	172	171	171	<i>311</i>
West	156	167	156	165	147	185	148	142	155	164	155	166	<i>247</i>
COUNTY TYPE¹													
Large Metro	237	239	242	234	242	277	220	231	215	234	229	237	<i>363</i>
Small Metro	174	159	161	178	172	178	150	154	159	166	157	181	<i>286</i>
Nonmetro	87	100	128	105	119	126	112	103	90	121	107	108	<i>200</i>
Urbanized	42	67	76	59	73	99	72	72	64	80	85	76	<i>162</i>
Less Urbanized	72	69	97	80	74	83	85	69	59	91	68	81	<i>111</i>
Completely Rural	26	30	42	39	52	26	30	31	29	38	31	25	<i>34</i>
POVERTY LEVEL²													
Less Than 100%	108	134	123	159	133	149	122	125	135	125	130	121	<i>208</i>
100-199%	137	132	141	135	175	144	144	140	142	132	125	155	<i>271</i>
200% or More	232	238	242	226	223	288	203	212	201	235	227	219	<i>362</i>
EDUCATION LEVEL													
< High School	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	122	114	95	96	101	<i>187</i>
High School Graduate	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	138	125	142	145	148	<i>274</i>
Some College/Associate's Degree	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	164	163	181	165	189	<i>283</i>
College Graduate	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	141	139	160	150	164	<i>218</i>
HEALTH INSURANCE³													
Private	230	231	233	221	210	262	195	217	202	229	219	224	<i>356</i>
Medicaid/CHIP	112	125	117	125	122	111	125	141	137	126	128	153	<i>232</i>
Other ⁴	157	144	184	152	185	200	152	163	148	171	138	165	<i>275</i>
No Coverage	112	123	120	139	156	143	99	90	100	91	103	96	<i>159</i>

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NOTE: Estimates in this table for 2020 exclude a subset of respondents who did not complete the questionnaire. The analysis weights and estimates were adjusted for the reduced sample size. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

NOTE: Some 2008 to 2010 estimates may differ from previously published estimates due to updates (see Chapter 3 of the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions*).

NOTE: Respondents with unknown suicide information were excluded.

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³ Respondents could indicate multiple types of health insurance; thus, these response categories are not mutually exclusive.

⁴ Other Health Insurance is defined as having Medicare, military-related health care, or any other type of health insurance.

Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2008-2019, and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.

Table 10.32D Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 or Older; by Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics, Standard Errors of Percentages, 2008-2020

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
TOTAL	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.12	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.12	<i>0.20</i>
GEOGRAPHIC REGION													
Northeast	0.30	0.27	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.25	0.30	0.26	0.26	0.24	0.31	<i>0.41</i>
Midwest	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.25	0.23	0.26	0.25	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.25	<i>0.45</i>
South	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.21	0.23	0.26	0.18	0.19	0.17	0.19	0.18	0.18	<i>0.33</i>
West	0.30	0.32	0.30	0.31	0.27	0.34	0.26	0.25	0.27	0.28	0.26	0.28	<i>0.41</i>
COUNTY TYPE¹													
Large Metro	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.21	0.16	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.16	<i>0.26</i>
Small Metro	0.25	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.24	0.21	0.20	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.22	<i>0.36</i>
Nonmetro	0.24	0.29	0.38	0.30	0.32	0.34	0.29	0.30	0.23	0.32	0.28	0.29	<i>0.51</i>
Urbanized	0.30	0.46	0.53	0.45	0.48	0.62	0.45	0.51	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.50	<i>1.03</i>
Less Urbanized	0.40	0.39	0.58	0.45	0.42	0.48	0.45	0.41	0.30	0.47	0.39	0.44	<i>0.61</i>
Completely Rural	0.73	0.84	1.21	1.08	1.34	0.68	0.77	0.68	0.75	1.11	0.85	0.49	<i>0.70</i>
POVERTY LEVEL²													
Less Than 100%	0.41	0.47	0.41	0.46	0.35	0.41	0.33	0.33	0.38	0.35	0.36	0.37	<i>0.55</i>
100-199%	0.33	0.30	0.29	0.28	0.37	0.31	0.30	0.28	0.28	0.27	0.25	0.32	<i>0.56</i>
200% or More	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.14	0.18	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.14	0.13	0.13	<i>0.21</i>
EDUCATION LEVEL													
< High School	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.35	0.35	0.31	0.31	0.33	<i>0.65</i>
High School Graduate	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.22	0.20	0.24	0.23	0.24	<i>0.40</i>
Some College/Associate's Degree	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.22	0.21	0.23	0.21	0.24	<i>0.37</i>
College Graduate	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	0.19	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.20	<i>0.28</i>
HEALTH INSURANCE³													
Private	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.16	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.14	0.13	0.13	<i>0.22</i>
Medicaid/CHIP	0.59	0.63	0.54	0.52	0.52	0.45	0.41	0.40	0.38	0.34	0.35	0.41	<i>0.57</i>
Other ⁴	0.30	0.27	0.34	0.27	0.31	0.33	0.24	0.25	0.22	0.25	0.20	0.24	<i>0.37</i>
No Coverage	0.32	0.33	0.31	0.35	0.39	0.38	0.33	0.34	0.41	0.39	0.42	0.36	<i>0.58</i>

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