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Executive Summary

Purpose

This report is intended to provide an overview of behavioral health in Nevada for public health authorities, Nevada policymakers, behavioral health boards and the public. The analysis can be used to identify issues of concern and areas that may need to be addressed.

Data Sources

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

BRFSS is a state-based system of health surveys that collects information on health risk behaviors, preventive health practices, chronic health conditions, and use of preventive services. More than 400,000 adults are interviewed each year, making the BRFSS the largest telephone health survey in the world. For many states, the BRFSS is the only available source of timely and accurate data on health-related behaviors. The survey consists of a set of federally grant funded core questions and states may include and pay for their own questions in the survey. While the survey's focus is chronic disease and injury, topics covered by the survey include car safety, obesity, and exercise among many others. Since state-added questions are not asked nationwide, these questions are not comparable.

Hospital Emergency Department Billing (HEDB)

The Hospital Emergency Department Billing data provides health billing data for emergency room patients for Nevada's non-federal hospitals. NRS 449.485 mandates all hospitals in Nevada to report all patients discharged in a form prescribed by the director of the Department of Health and Human Services. The data are collected using a standard universal billing form. The data in this report are for patients who used emergency room and inpatient services. The data includes demographics such as age, gender, race/ethnicity and uses International Classification of Diseases-9-Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) diagnoses codes and International Classification of Diseases-10-Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) diagnoses (up to 33 diagnoses respectively). ICD-10-CM diagnoses codes replaced ICD-9-CM diagnoses codes in the last quarter of 2015. Therefore, data prior to last quarter in 2015 may not be directly comparable to data thereafter. In addition, the data includes billed hospital charges, procedure codes, length of hospital stay, discharge status, and external cause of injury codes. The billing data information is for billed charges and not the actual payment received by the hospital.

Hospital Inpatient Billing (HIB)

The Hospital Inpatient Billing data provides health billing data for patients discharged from Nevada's non-federal hospitals. NRS 449.485 mandates all hospitals in Nevada to report information as prescribed by the director of the Department of Health and Human Services. The data are collected using a standard universal billing form. The data is for patients who spent at least 24 hours as an inpatient, but do not include patients who were discharged from the emergency room. The data includes demographics such as age, gender, race/ethnicity and uses International Classification of Diseases-9-Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) diagnoses codes and International Classification of Diseases-10-Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) diagnoses (up to 33 diagnoses respectively). ICD-10-CM diagnoses codes replaced ICD-9-CM

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diagnoses codes in the last quarter of 2015. Therefore, data prior to last quarter of 2015 may not be directly comparable to data thereafter. In addition, the data includes billed hospital charges, procedure codes, length of hospital stay, discharge status, and external cause of injury codes. The billing data information is for billed charges and not the actual payment received by the hospital.

Monitoring the Future Survey

Since 1975 Monitoring the Future Survey has measured alcohol and drug use and related attitudes among adolescent students nationwide. Survey participants report their drug use behaviors across three-time periods: lifetime, past year, and past month. Students from both public and private schools participate in the survey. The survey is funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), a component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and conducted by the University of Michigan.

For more information: [Monitoring the Future](#).

Nevada Report Card

The Nevada Report Card is the accountability reporting website of the Nevada Department of Education. In compliance with federal and state law, it assists community members (parents, educators, researchers, lawmakers, etc.) in locating a wealth of detailed information pertaining to K-12 public education in Nevada. The web site has three categories: “school and district information,” “assessment and accountability” and “fiscal and technology.” For more information: [Nevada Report Card](#).

Nevada State Demographer – Nevada Population Data

The Nevada State Demographer’s office is funded by the Nevada Department of Taxation and is part of the Nevada Small Business Development Center. It is responsible for conducting annual population estimates for Nevada’s counties, cities, and towns.

State-Funded Mental Health Services (Avatar)

Avatar is a database containing demographic, treatment, billing, and financial information for Nevada mental health facilities throughout the state. These data are representative of clients served at Nevada state-operated mental health facilities and are not generalizable to the rest of the population.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Data

The National Survey of Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) is a survey on the use of illicit drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and mental health issues in the United States. The study includes those who are 12 years of age or older at the time of the survey. It is conducted annually by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), an agency within the US Department of Health and Human Services that focuses on behavioral health. For more information on the survey: [SAMHSA NSDUH](#).

United States Census Bureau

The United States Census Bureau is responsible for the United States Census, the official decennial (10-year period) count of people living in the United States of America. Collected data are disseminated through web browser-based tools like the American Community Survey, which provides quick facts on frequently requested data collected from population estimates, census counts, and surveys of population and housing for the nation, states, counties, and large cities. The Bureau also offers the American Fact Finder, which profiles the American population and economy every five years. For more information: [United States Census Bureau](#).

Web-Enabled Vital Records Registry Systems (WEVRRS)

Statewide births and deaths are collected by the Office of Vital Records, in the Division of Public and Behavioral Health. WEVRRS is a software utilized by physicians, registered nurses, midwives, informants or funeral directors, and other individuals to collect and consolidate birth and death-related information.

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) is a national surveillance system that was established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to monitor the prevalence of health risk behaviors among youth. Every two years, little over 30 high schools from Nevada were randomly chosen by the CDC to represent Nevada. However, to ensure greater representation from schools in all Nevada districts, the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health contracted with the University of Nevada, Reno School of Public Health to conduct the YRBS in all high schools throughout the state. The Nevada High School YRBS is a biennial, anonymous, and voluntary survey of students in 9th through 12th grade in regular public, charter, and alternative schools. Students self-report their behaviors in six major areas of health that directly lead to morbidity and mortality; these include:

1. Behaviors that contribute to unintentional injuries and violence
2. Sexual behaviors that contribute to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection, other sexually transmitted diseases, and unintended pregnancy
3. Tobacco use
4. Alcohol and other drug use
5. Unhealthy dietary behaviors
6. Physical inactivity

Nevada is among few states that collect data in middle schools. The Nevada Middle School YRBS is biennial, anonymous, and voluntary survey of students in 6th through 8th grade in regular public, charter, and alternative schools. Students self-report their behaviors in five major areas of health that directly lead to morbidity and mortality, these include:

1. Behaviors that contribute to unintentional injuries and violence
2. Tobacco use
3. Alcohol and other drug use
4. Unhealthy dietary behaviors
5. Physical inactivity

For more information on CDC's Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS): [CDC YRBSS](#).

For more information on Nevada YRBS: [Nevada YRBS](#).

Terminology

Age-Adjusted Rate

A rate is a measure of the frequency of a specific event over a given period, divided by the total number of people within the population over the same period of time. An age-adjusted rate is a rate that has been adjusted, or weighted, to the same age distribution as a “standard” population. Throughout this report, rates are adjusted to the 11 standard age groups of the U.S. population in the year 2000 (Census table P25-1130 [Population Projections and Standard Age Groups](#)). Rates are age-adjusted in order to eliminate any potential confounding effects, or biases, that may be a result of health factors that are associated with specific ages.

Crude Rate

A rate is a measure of the frequency of a specific event over a given period, divided by the total number of people within the population over the same period of time. A crude rate is the frequency with which an event or circumstance occurs per unit of population.

Data and Equity

Demographic language may differ throughout this report depending on the sources from which data were retrieved. To report the data accurately, variables such as race, ethnicity, and sex are described in the data as they were in the source data. Every effort has been made to be inclusive and equitable across every demographic to provide a fair and accurate representation of the people of Nevada. We recognize the terms “female” and “woman” do not include all birthing people but used as descriptors presented in source data.

Demographic Snapshot

Figure 1. Select Demographics for Southern Region, 2021.

Population, 2021 estimate, Southern Region*	61,019
Population, 2012 estimate, Southern Region *	54,931
Population, percentage change, Southern Region*	11.1%
Male persons, 2021 estimate, Southern Region*	30,934 (50.7%)
Female persons, 2021 estimate, Southern Region*	30,085 (49.3%)
Median household income, Southern Region (2017-2021)**	\$47,353
Per capita income in the past 12 months, Southern Region (2017-2021)**	\$26,657
Persons in poverty, percent, Southern Region (2021)**	15.2%
With a disability, under the age 65 years, percent, Southern Region (2017-2021)**	15.1%
Land area in square miles, Southern Region (2021)**	36,148.5 sq miles

Source: *Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020 and **US Census Bureau.

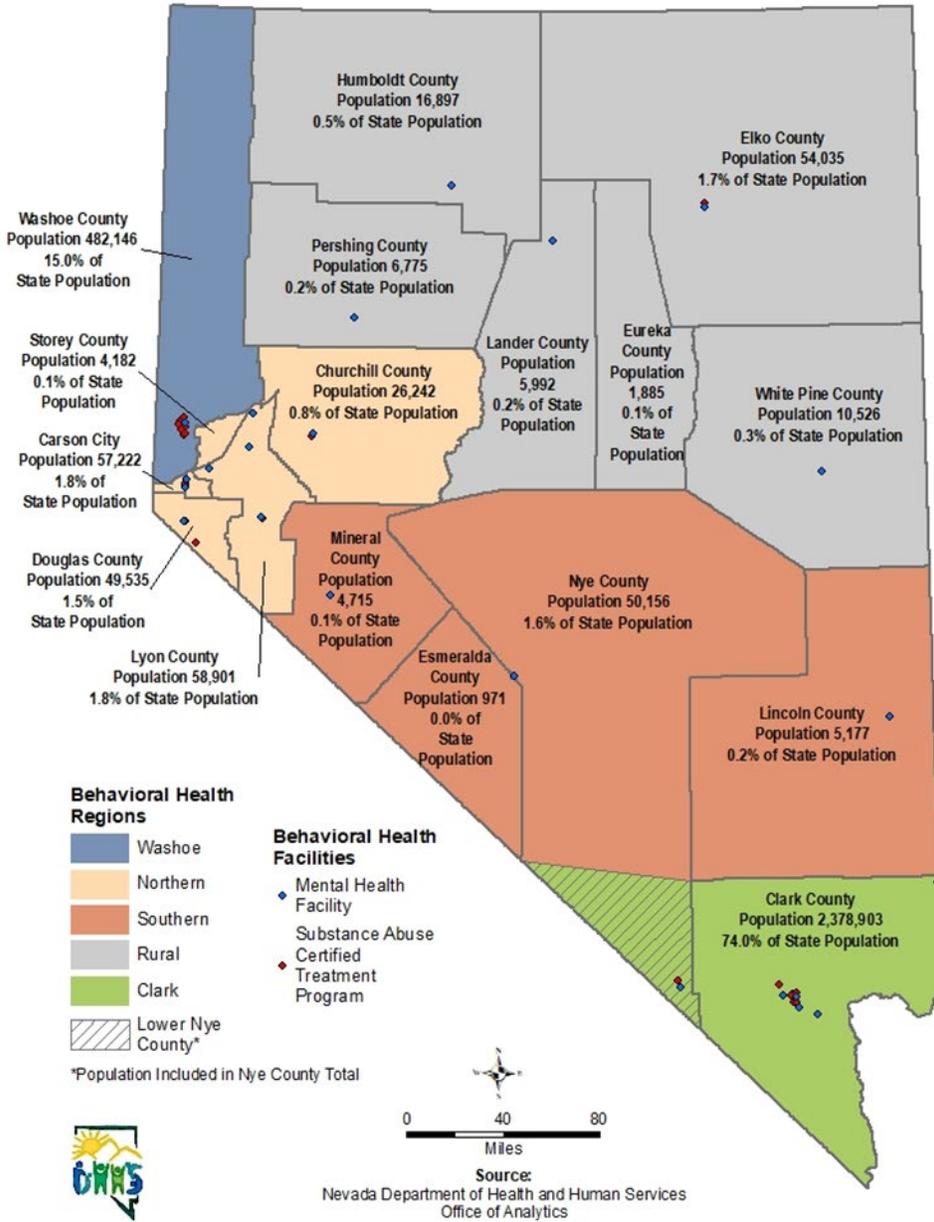
In 2021, the estimated population for the Southern Region was 61,019, an 11.1% increase from the 2012 estimated population. The population is made up of approximately equal percentages of females and males (49.3% and 50.7%, respectively).

During the 2017 Legislative Session, regional behavioral health boards were formed to address behavioral health in Nevada. The regions were redrawn during the 2019 session and Nye County was split into regions. The northern half of Nye County is part of the Southern Region, and the southern half is part of the Clark County Region. For data purposes, Nye County data is included in the Southern Region.

Esmeralda County is the least populous county in the Southern Region, with less than a percent of Nevada’s population, an estimated 971 persons.

Figure 2 below shows the population for each of Nevada’s 17 counties, the percent of Nevada population each county represents, the behavioral health regions, and the locations of mental health and substance abuse facilities.

Figure 2. Nevada Population Distribution by County, 2021.



Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.

Clark Region: Clark County and southern Nye County.

Northern Nevada Region: Carson City, Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties.

Rural Nevada Region: Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Pershing, and White Pine Counties.

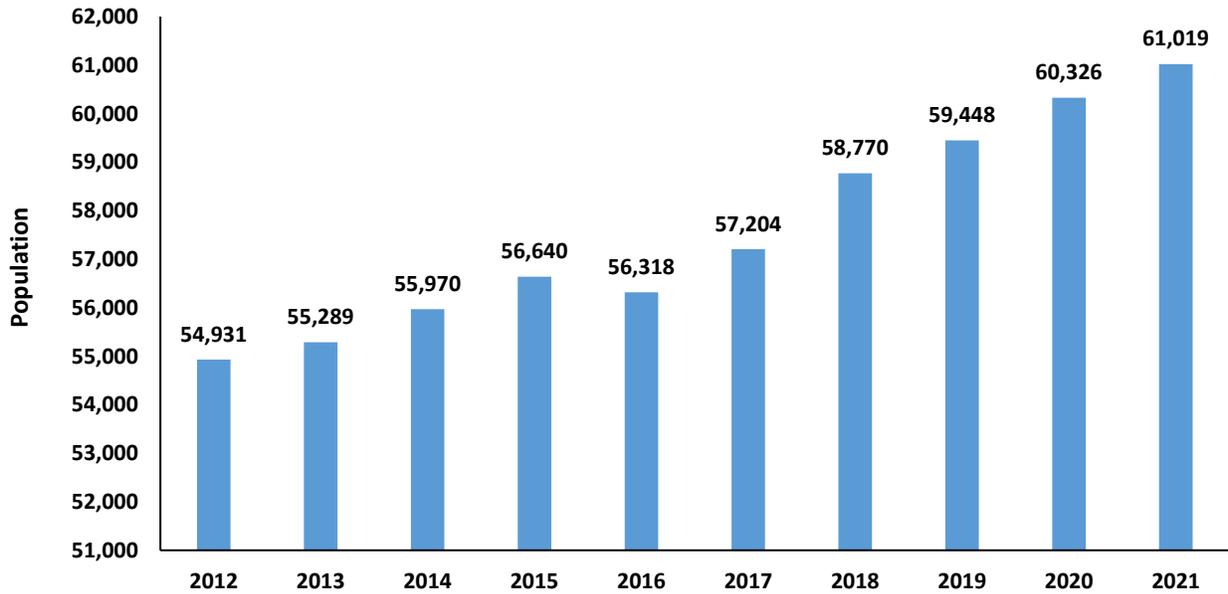
Southern Nevada Region: Esmeralda, Lincoln, and Mineral Counties, and northern Nye County.

Washoe Region: Washoe County.

*Nye County: Northern Nye County is included in Southern Region and southern Nye County is in part of Clark County Region. For data purposes, Nye County data is included in Southern Nevada Region Report and not in the Clark County Region report.

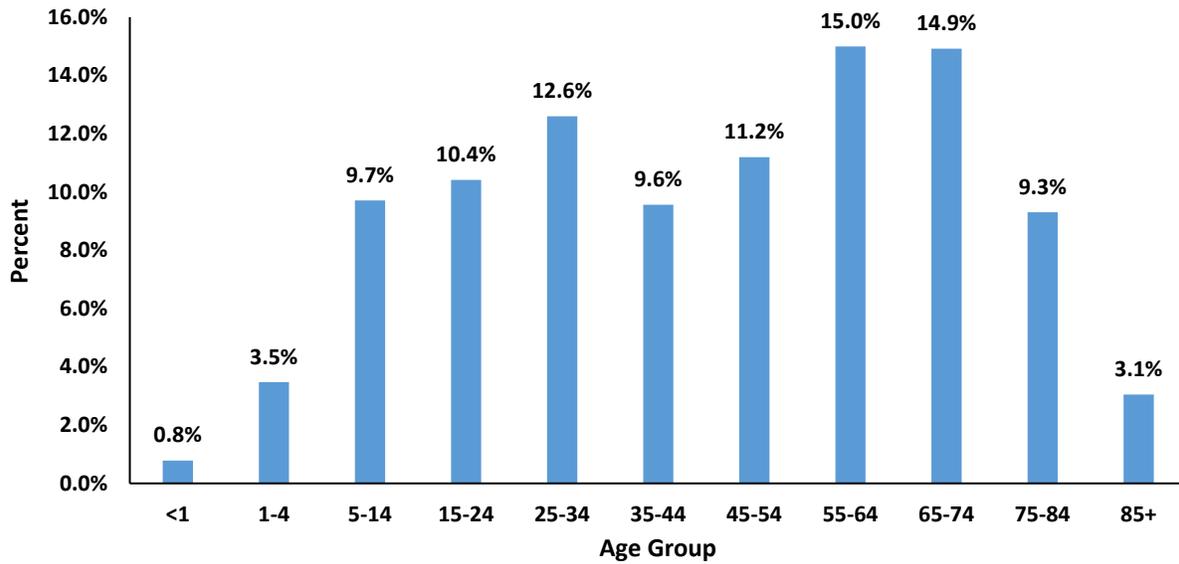
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Figure 3. Southern Region Population, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.
 Chart scaled to display differences among groups.

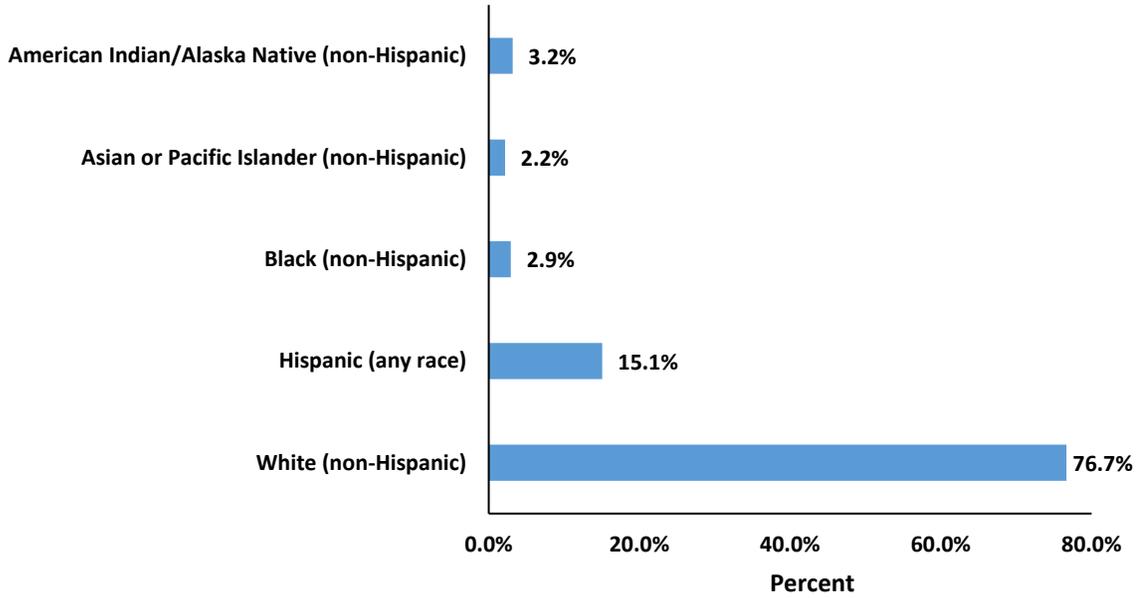
Figure 4. Southern Region Population by Age Group, 2021.



Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.
 Chart scaled to 16.0% to display differences among group.

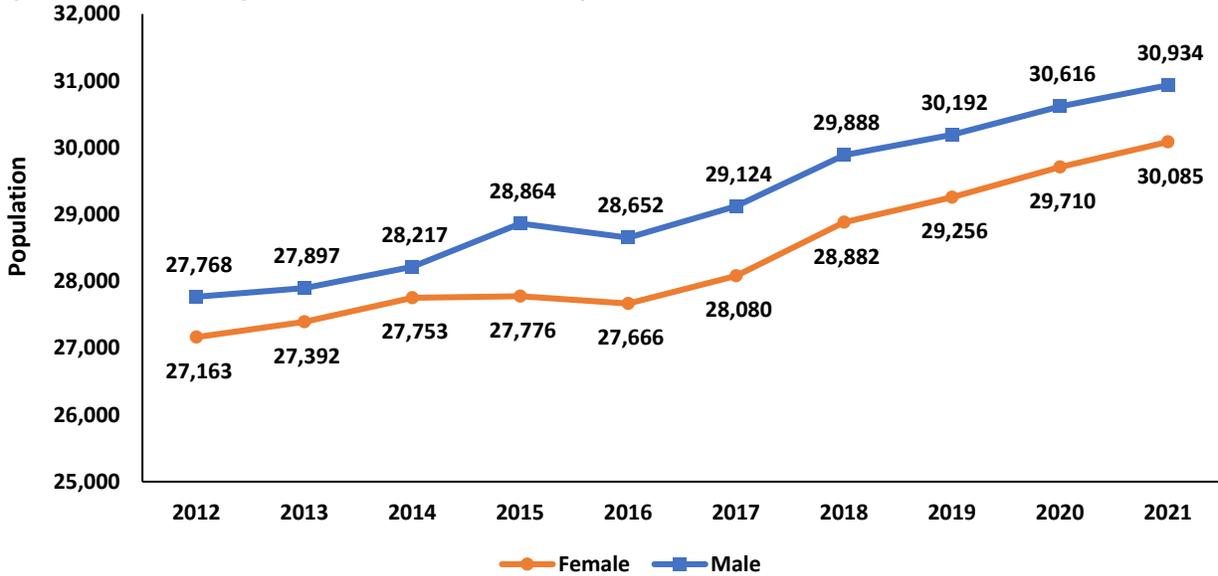
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Figure 5. Southern Region Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2021.



Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.
 Chart scaled to 80.0% to display differences among groups.

Figure 6. Southern Region Population Distribution by Sex, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.
 Chart scaled to display differences among years.

Unlike Nevada which has the highest percent of the population in the 25-34 age group, followed by the 15-24 age group, the Southern Region’s highest percent is among the 55-64 age group (15.0%), followed by the 65-74 age group (14.9%).

White non-Hispanics comprise 76.7% of the Southern Region’s population, followed by Hispanic, any race (15.1%), American Indian/Alaska Native (3.2%), Black non-Hispanic (2.9%), and Asian/Pacific Islander non-Hispanic (2.2%).

Mental Health

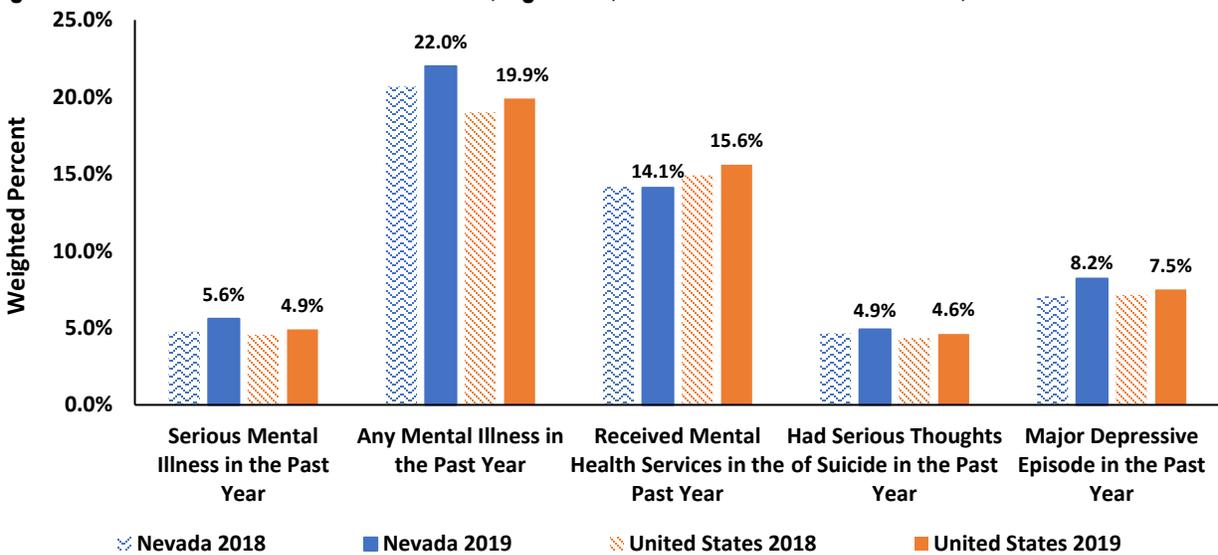
Mental health data are collected by numerous data sources in Nevada, including YRBS, BRFSS, hospital billing, state-funded mental health facilities, and vital records.

National Survey of Drug Use and Health

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH). The survey tracks trends of illicit drug, alcohol, and tobacco use, as well as mental health issues throughout the United States.

According to SAMHSA’s website, state data tables and reports from the 2019-2020 NSDUH “are no longer available due to methodological concerns with combining the 2019 and 2020 data”. Therefore, data in Figure 7 below are from the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 NSDUH state reports. For more information, please visit [SAMHSA 2019-2020 State Reports](#).

Figure 7. Percent of Mental Health Measures, Aged 18+, Nevada and the United States, 2018-2019.



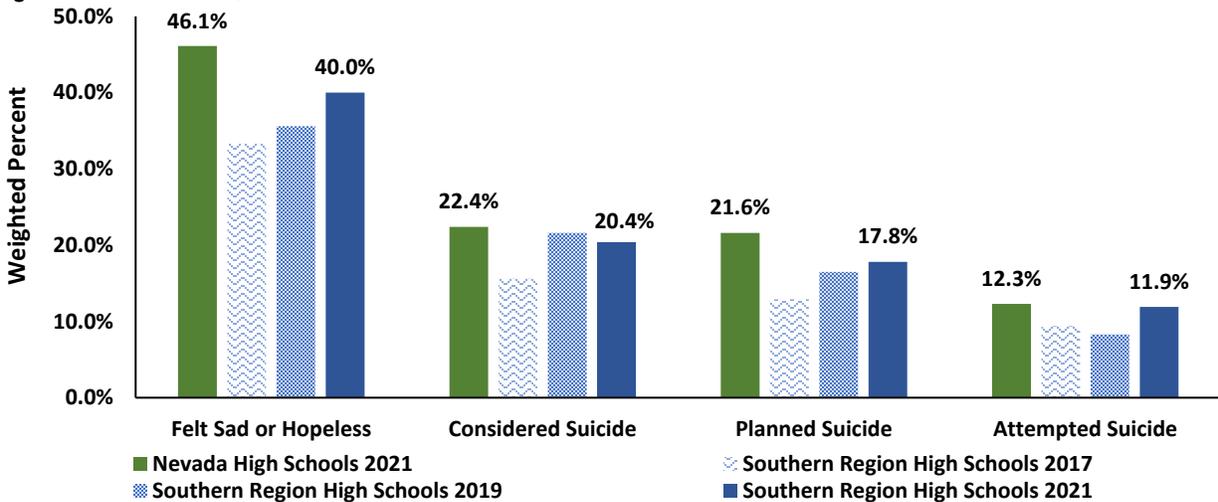
Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. Chart scaled to 25.0% to display differences among groups.

Nevada percents continue to be higher than the United States for “serious mental illness in the past year,” “any mental illness in the past year,” and “had serious thoughts of suicide in the past year.” Nevada had the same percent as the United States in 2018 for “major depressive episode in the past year” but was higher in 2019.

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)

The YRBS monitors six categories of health-related behaviors that contribute to leading causes of death and disabilities among youth and adults. Nevada high school and middle school students are surveyed during the odd numbered years. In 2021, 296 high school and 287 middle school students participated in the YRBS in the Southern Nevada Region. The University of Nevada, Reno maintains the YRBS data and publishes data on each survey. For more information on the YRBS survey, please go to the following site: [UNR YRBS](#).

Figure 8a. Mental Health Behaviors, Southern Region High School Students 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.

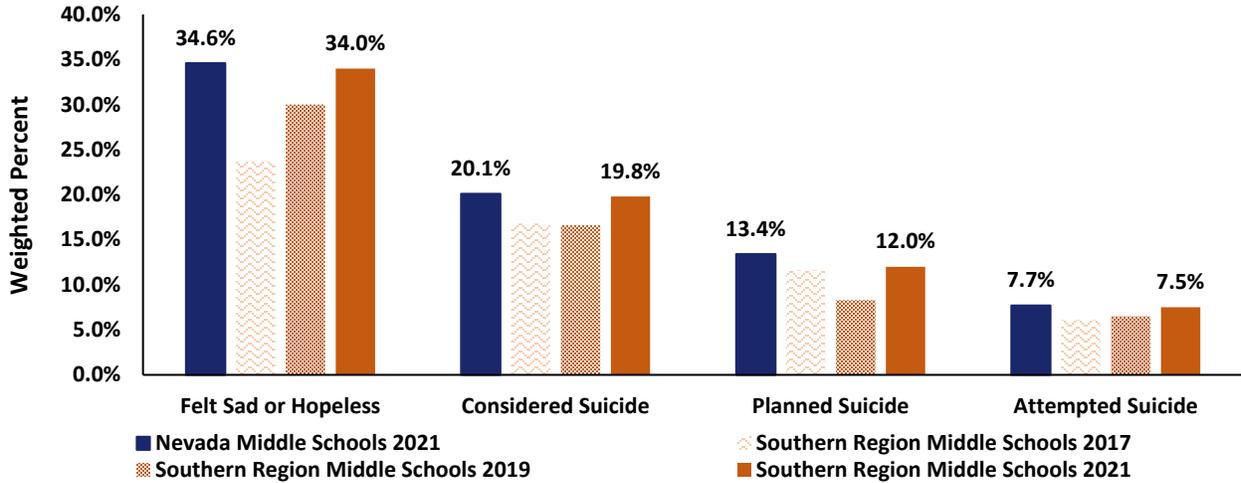


Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS).
 Chart scaled to 50.0% to display differences among groups.

From 2017 to 2021, there has been a steady increase in the percent of Southern Region high school students reporting that they felt sad or hopeless or planned suicide. The percent who reported that they considered suicide increased from 2017 to 2019 followed by a decrease in 2021 (20.4%), while the percent who attempted suicide decreased from 2017 to 2019 followed by an increase to a percent higher than 2017 (11.9%). The percent for all mental health behaviors in 2021 among Southern Region high school students listed in Figure 8a above were lower than the 2021 Nevada high school percents.

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Figure 8b. Mental Health Behaviors, Southern Region Middle School Students 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada Middle School Students, 2021.



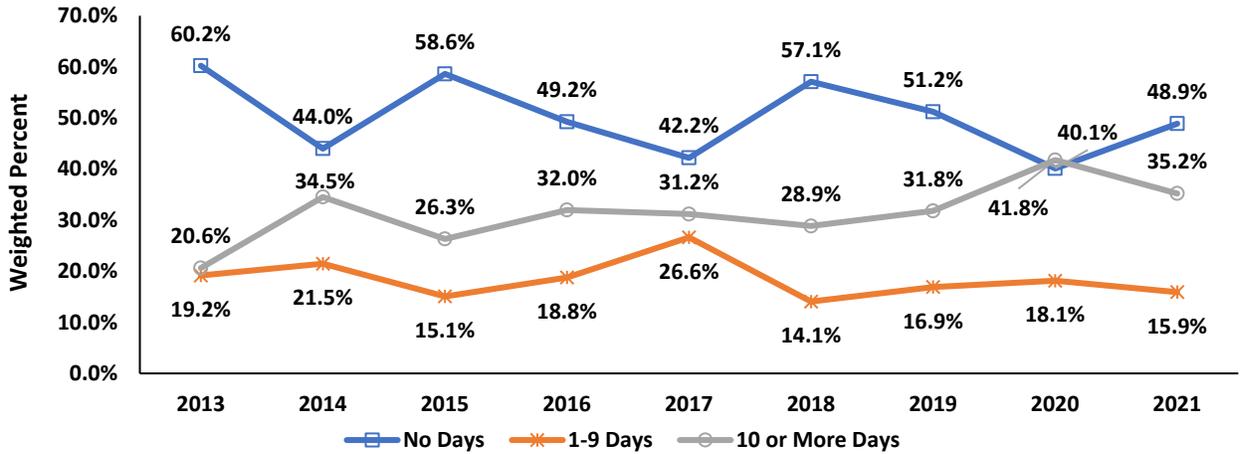
Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS).
 Chart scaled to 40.0% to display differences among groups.

The percent of Southern Region middle school students who felt sad or hopeless, considered suicide, planned suicide, or attempted suicide were all highest in 2021. However, these percents were lower than the 2021 Nevada high school percents.

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

BRFSS collects information on adult health-related risk behaviors. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), BRFSS is a powerful tool for targeting and building health promotion activities.

Figure 9. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Who Experienced Poor Mental or Physical Health that Prevented Them from Doing Usual Activities by Days Affected in Past Month, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.

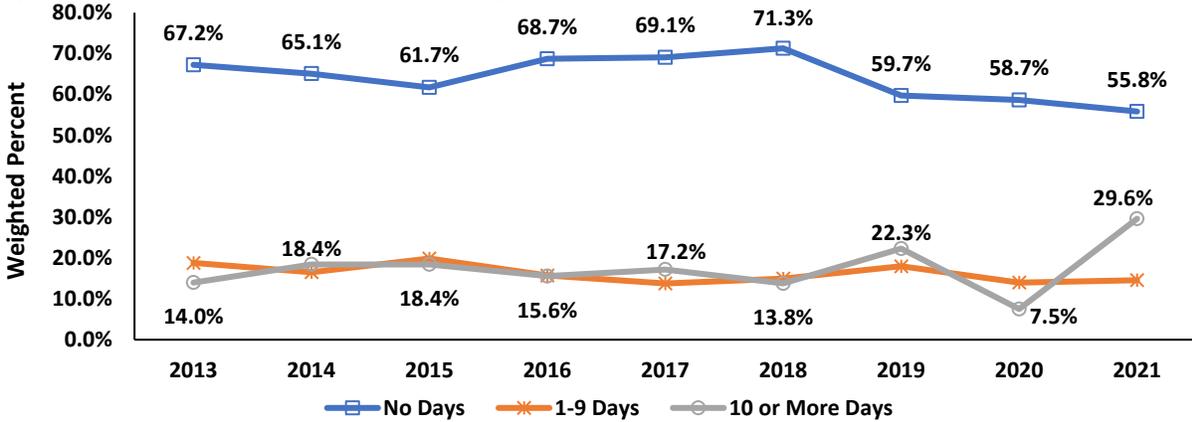


Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.
 Chart scaled to 70.0% to display differences among groups.
 Specific question asked in survey: "During the past 30 days, for about how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation?"

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There was an increase in adults who had more than 10 days of poor mental and physical health from 40.1% (2020) to 48.9% (2021), but these percents are lower than the high of 60.2% in 2013. There are more adults in the Southern Region experiencing 10 or more days of poor mental or physical health compared to those with less than 10 days of poor mental or physical health.

Figure 10. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Whose Mental Health was Not Good by Number of Days Experienced in the Past Month, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

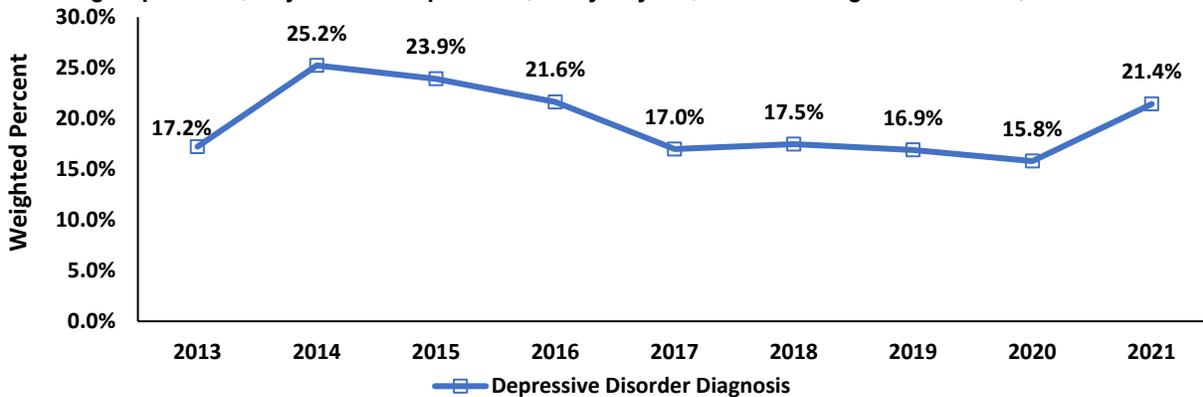
Chart scaled to 80.0% to display differences among groups.

Specific question asked in survey: "Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good?"

There has been a steady decrease in the percent of adult BRFSS respondents in the Southern Region who reported no days in the past month in which their mental health was not good, from a high of 71.3% in 2018 to a low of 55.8% in 2021.

The percent of adult BRFSS respondents in the Southern Region who reported one to nine days in the past month in which their mental health was not good has been fairly consistent from 2013- 2021, while the percent who reported 10 or more days has increased and decreased over the years, reaching a high of 29.6% in 2021.

Figure 11. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Who Have Ever Been Told They have a Depressive Disorder, Including Depression, Major/Minor Depression, or Dysthymia, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Chart scaled to 30.0% to display differences among groups.

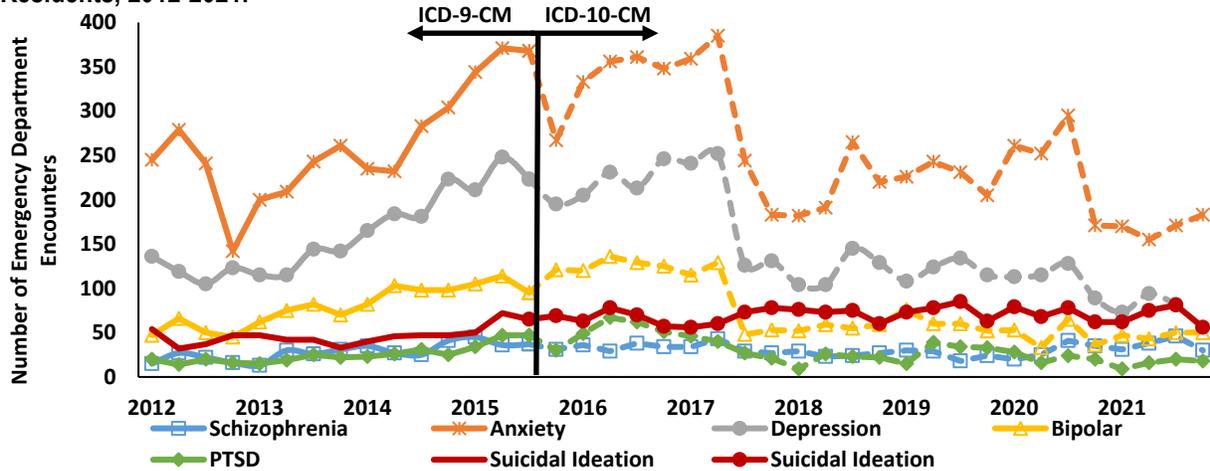
Specific question asked in survey: "(Ever told) you have a depressive disorder (including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression)?"

Over 21% of Southern Region adult BRFSS respondents have been told they have a depressive disorder in 2021, which is lower than the high of 25.2% in 2014.

Hospital Emergency Department Encounters

The hospital emergency department billing data includes data for emergency room patients for Nevada’s non-federal hospitals. Since an individual can have more than one diagnosis during a single emergency department visit, the following numbers reflect the number of times a diagnosis in each of these categories was given, and therefore the following numbers are not mutually exclusive.

Figure 12. Mental Health-Related Emergency Department Encounters, by Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

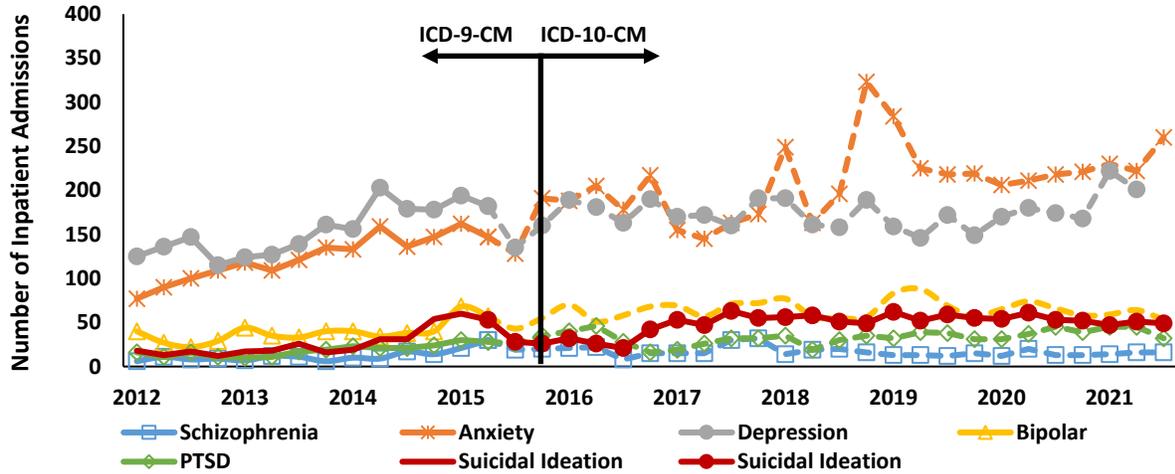
Note: Data for depression 2021 quarter four not available.

Anxiety has been the leading mental health-related diagnosis since 2012 in emergency department encounters, followed by depression. The number of anxiety and depression-related emergency department encounters were the highest in 2017.

Hospital Inpatient Admissions

Hospital Inpatient Billing data includes data for patients discharged from Nevada’s non-federal hospitals. Since an individual can have more than one diagnosis during a single inpatient admission, the following numbers reflect the number of times a diagnosis was given, and therefore the following numbers are not mutually exclusive.

Figure 13. Mental Health-Related Inpatient Admissions, by Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

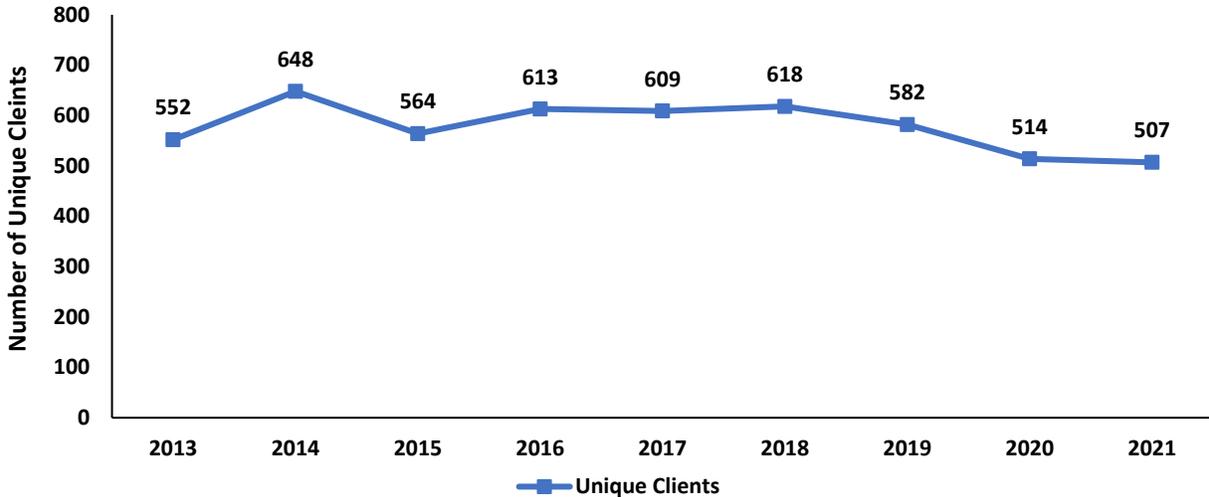
ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

Anxiety has been the leading diagnosis for mental health admissions among Southern Region residents since 2016, surpassing depression.

State-Funded Mental Health Services

State-funded mental health facilities are divided into Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS), Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS) and Rural Clinic and Community Health Services. Services that state-funded mental health facilities provide include inpatient acute psychiatric, mobile crisis, outpatient counseling, service coordination, and case management.

Figure 14. Unique Adult Clients Aged 18+* Served at State-Funded Mental Health Clinics, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



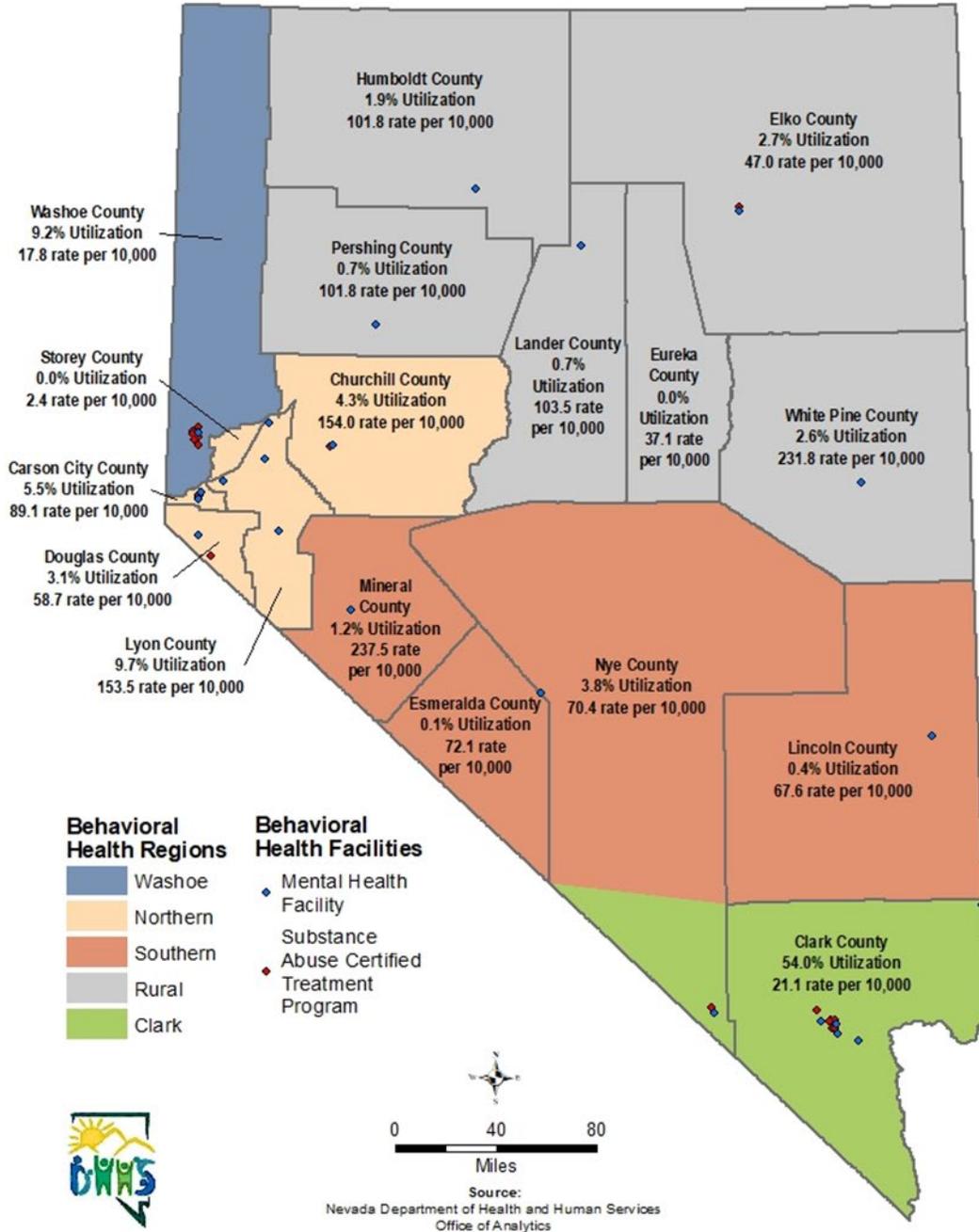
Source: State-Funded Mental Health: Avatar.

*A client is counted only once per year. Clients may be counted more than once across years.

The number of unique clients in the Southern Region who utilized state-funded adult mental health facilities was at the lowest in 2021, with 507 persons. The highest number was in 2014, with 648 clients.

Figure 15 below shows the percent of Nevada state-funded adult mental health utilization each county represents, the rate of utilization (per 10,000 population), the behavioral health regions, and the locations of mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities.

Figure 15. State-Funded Mental Health Clinics Utilization by County, 2021.



Source: State-Funded Mental Health: Avatar.

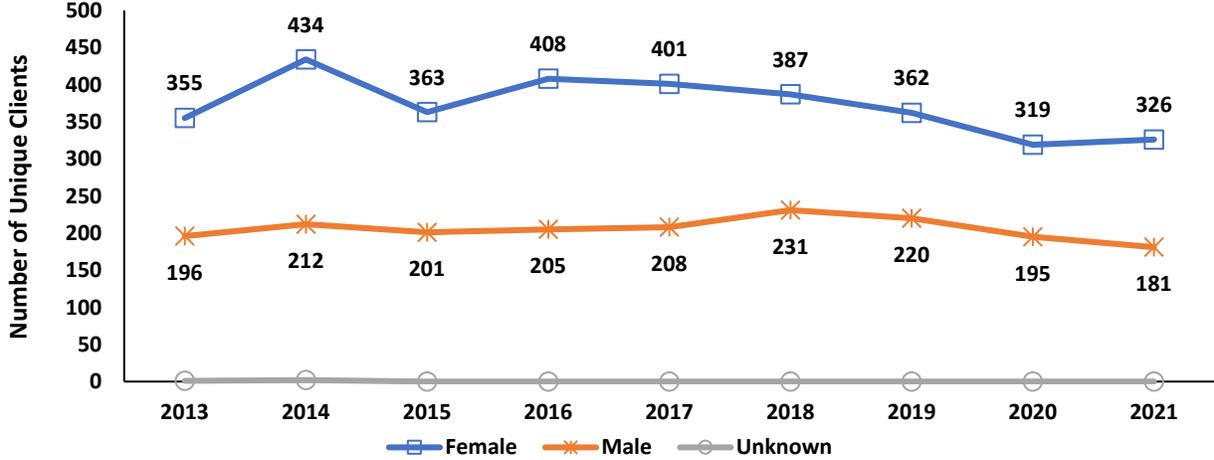
*A client is counted only once per year. Clients may be counted more than once across years.

Percent (%): Number of clients who utilize mental health services in that county divided by total utilization.

Rate: Number of clients who utilize mental health services in that county divided by county population per 100,000 people.

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Figure 16. State-Funded Adult (Aged 18+) Mental Health Clinics Utilization* by Gender, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.

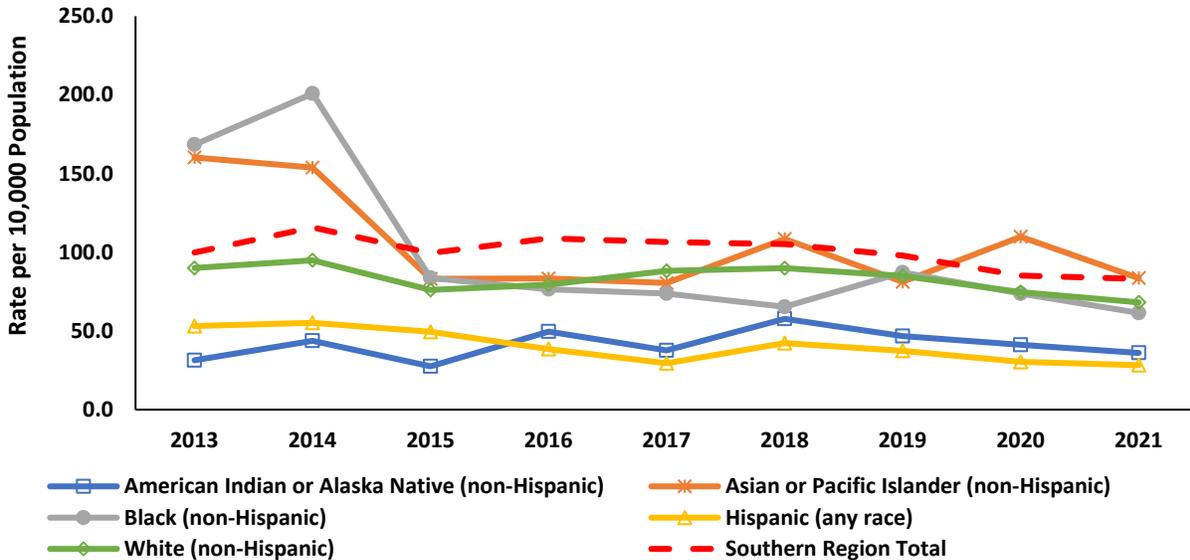


Source: State-Funded Mental Health: Avatar.

*A client is counted only once per year. Clients may be counted more than once across years.

From 2013 to 2021, female Southern Region residents significantly utilized the state-funded mental health clinics more than males, with an average of 64% female and 36% male. In 2021, 58.5 per 10,000 male population utilized the state-funded mental health clinics, compared to females at 108.4 per 10,000 female population.

Figure 17. State-Funded Adult (Aged 18+) Mental Health Facility Utilization* Crude Rates by Race/Ethnicity, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



Source: State-Funded Mental Health: Avatar.

Race "Unknown" not included in analysis.

*A client is counted only once per year. Clients may be counted more than once across years.

The patient utilization crude rate has gone down significantly for the Black non-Hispanic and Asian or Pacific Islander non-Hispanic populations from 2013 to 2021. The utilization rates for the Hispanic and White non-Hispanic populations have stayed relatively stable, and along with the American Indian or

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Alaska Native non-Hispanic population, are lower than the Southern Region total rates for all years between 2013-2021.

Figure 18. Top Mental Health Clinic Services by Number of Patients Served*, Southern Region Clinics, 2013-2021.

Program	Year									
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
Pahrump Medication Clinic	202	240	199	250	248	233	193	230	205	
Pahrump Outpatient Counseling	173	137	117	143	148	122	68	125	117	
Pahrump Outpatient Screening	58	179	144	184	155	112	63	112	63	
Hawthorne Outpatient Counseling	51	42	34	31	64	83	61	65	44	
Hawthorne Medication Clinic	41	32	37	56	58	90	55	79	75	
Pahrump Outpatient Rehabilitative Mental Health	125	54	27	13	9	25	21	4	21	
Pahrump Service Coordination	48	47	30	28	27	16	24	18	36	

Source: State-Funded Mental Health: Avatar.

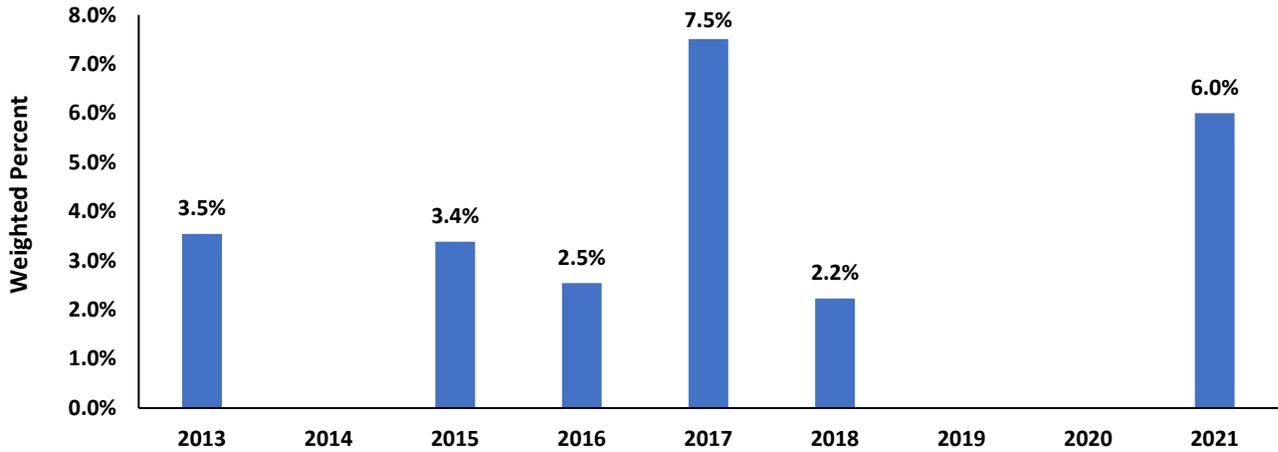
*A client is counted only once per year. Clients may be counted more than once across years.

Patients were counted only once per program per year. Since a patient can receive services in more than one program, the counts above are not mutually exclusive. Pahrump Medication Clinic continually had the highest counts, followed by Pahrump Outpatient Counseling and Pahrump Outpatient Screening.

Suicide

Mental health issues, along with factors such as adverse childhood experiences and substance use disorders, may disproportionately affect those who die by suicide.

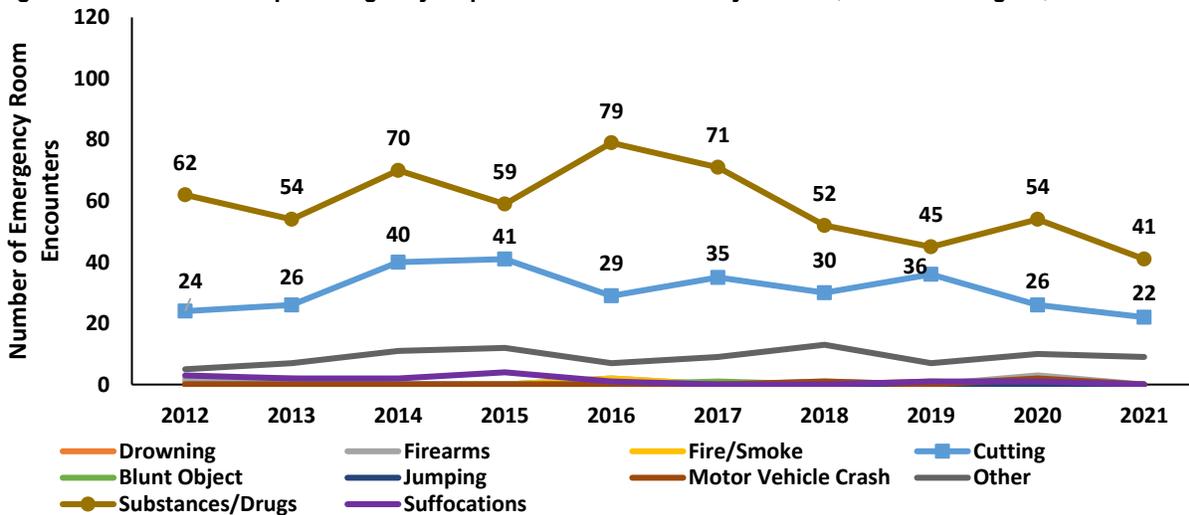
Figure 19. Percent of Adults in Southern Region Who Have Seriously Considered Attempting Suicide, 2013-2021.



Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).
 Chart scaled to 8.0% to display differences among groups.
 Indicator was not measured in 2014. Percents suppressed in 2019 and 2020 due to small number of responses.
 Specific question asked in survey: “During the past 12 months have you ever seriously considered attempting suicide?”

When asked “Have you seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months,” 6.0% of Southern residents responded “yes” in 2021, which is lower than the high of 7.5% in 2017.

Figure 20. Suicide Attempt Emergency Department Encounters by Method, Southern Region, 2012-2021.

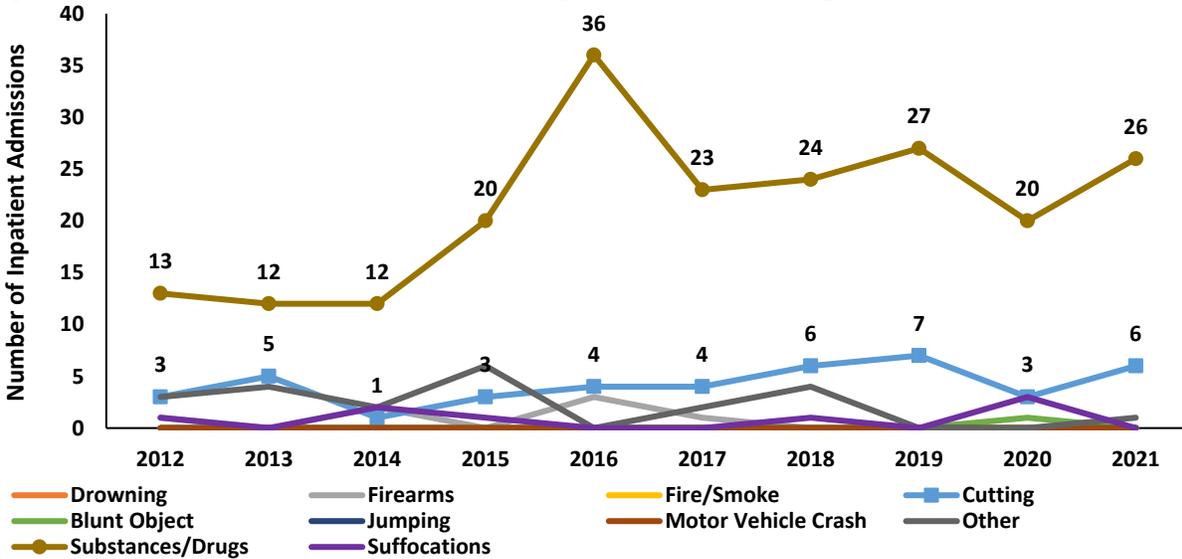


Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.
 ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.
 A person can be included in more than category and therefore the counts above are not mutually exclusive.

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Emergency department encounters related to suicide attempt, where the patient did not expire at the hospital, have remained steady from 2012 to 2017 and have fallen from 2017 to 2021 when it concerns Substances. Cutting encounters have remained steady as a secondary encounter type from 2012 to 2021.

Figure 21. Suicide Attempt Inpatient Admissions by Method, Southern Region, 2012-2021.



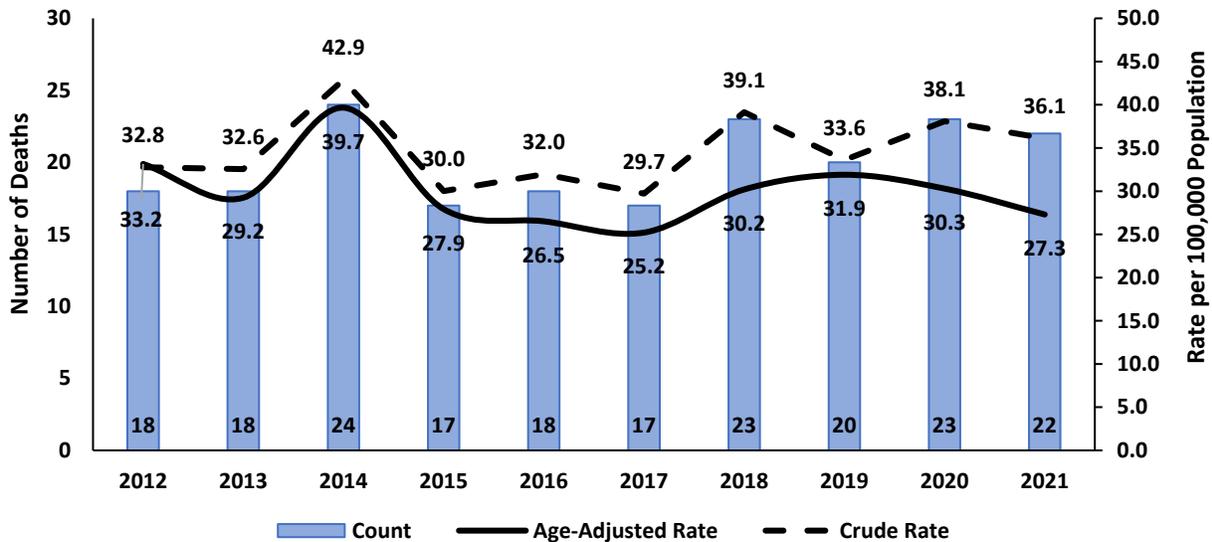
Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

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A person can be included in more than category and therefore the counts above are not mutually exclusive.

Inpatient admissions for attempted suicide where the patient was admitted and did not expire at the hospital have increased where the method was substances or drugs. Inpatient admissions related to drug overdoses increased from 13 admissions in 2012 to 26 in 2021 with a high of 36 during 2016.

Figure 22. Number of Suicides and Rates, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.

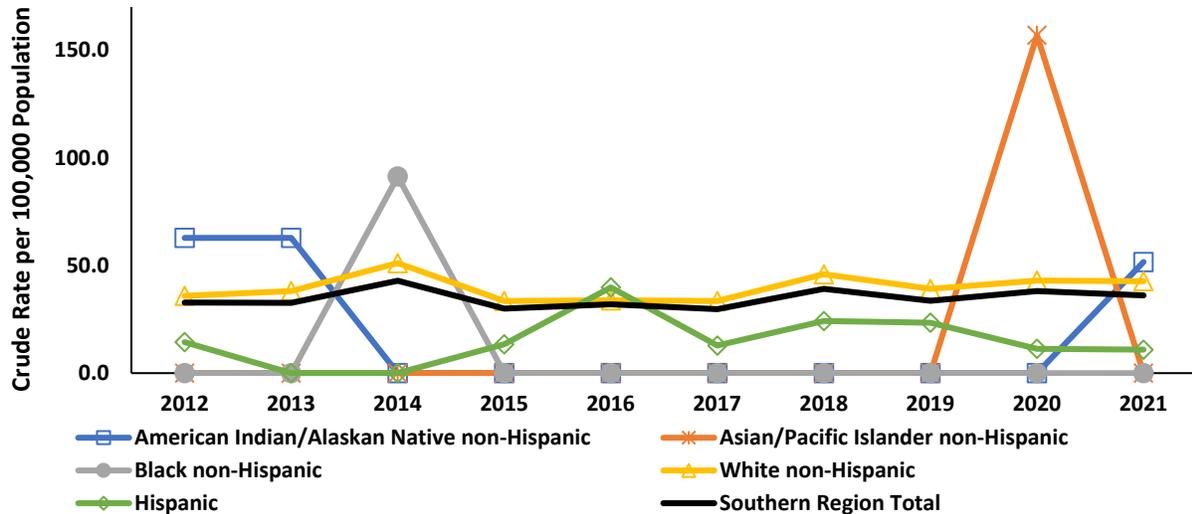


Source: Nevada Electronic Death Registry System.

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Counts and rates of suicide among Southern Region residents have remained mostly steady from 2012-2021. The lowest counts and rates were in 2015 and 2017, while the highest were in 2014.

Figure 23. Crude Suicide Rates by Race/Ethnicity, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada Electronic Death Registry System.

Crude rates of suicide based on race/ethnicity are to be interpreted with caution due to low populations of minority groups such as American Indian/Alaskan Native non-Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islander non-Hispanic, and Black non-Hispanic. Of note however, rates among the White non-Hispanic population have historically been higher than the Southern Region total rate.

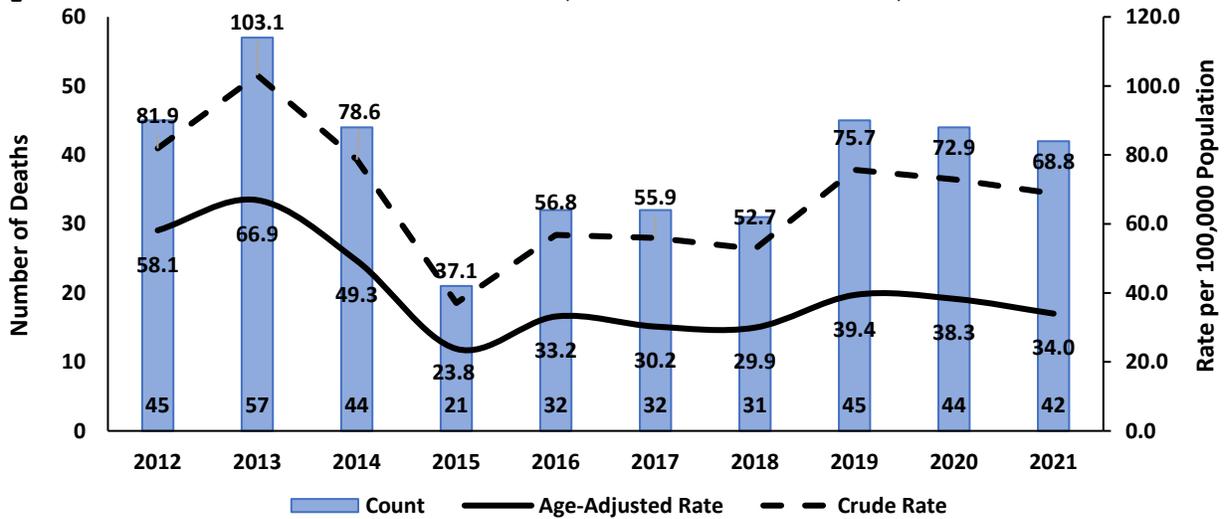
Mental Health-Related Deaths

Mental health-related deaths are deaths with the following ICD-10 codes groups listed as a contributing cause of death (F00-F99 excluding F10-F19):

- Organic, including symptomatic, mental disorders
- Schizophrenia, schizotypal, and delusional disorders
- Mood [affective] disorders
- Neurotic, stress-related and somatoform disorders
- Behavioral syndromes associated with physiological disturbances and physical factors
- Disorders of adult personality and behavior
- Mental retardation
- Disorders of psychological development
- Behavioral and emotional disorders with onset usually occurring in childhood and adolescence; Unspecified mental disorder

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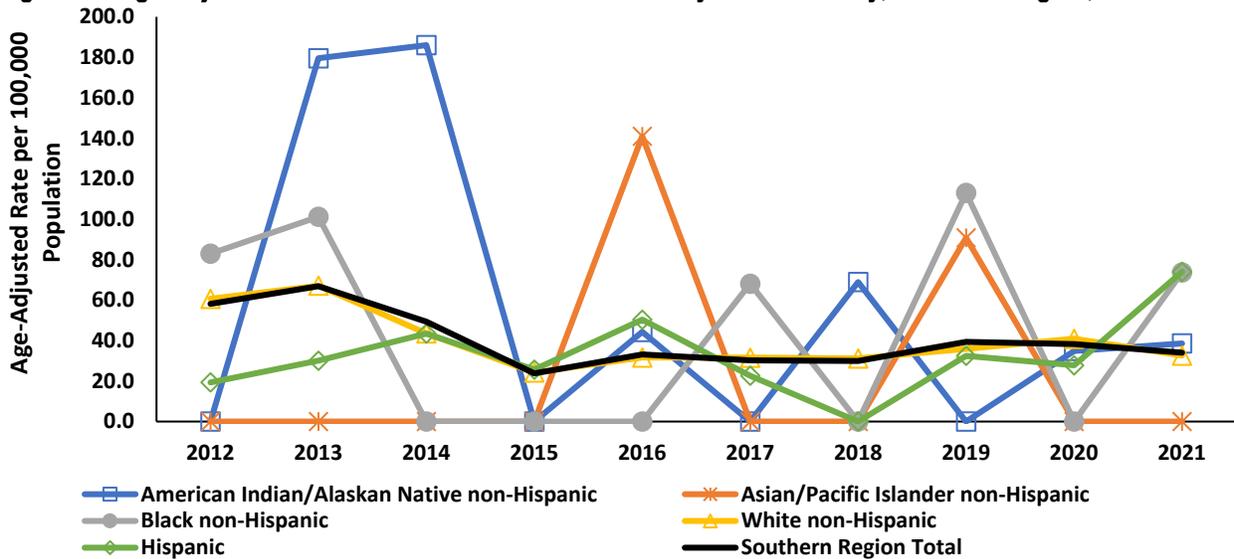
Figure 24. Mental Health-Related Deaths and Rates, Southern Nevada Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada Electronic Death Registry System.

The age-adjusted death rates being much higher than the crude rates indicates that the mental health-related deaths are skewed toward a younger population. The highest counts were in 2013, and the lowest were in 2015. The age-adjusted rate was 34.0 in 2021, with 42 deaths.

Figure 25. Age-Adjusted Mental Health-Related Death Rates by Race/Ethnicity, Southern Region, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada Electronic Death Registry System.

Due to low population sizes, rates have a high degree of variance and may not necessarily be indicative. Please see [Appendix Table 5](#) for confidence intervals. The White non-Hispanic population rates closely mirror the Southern Region total rates for all years, which is to be expected since the White non-Hispanic population comprises nearly 76% of the total population.

Substance Use

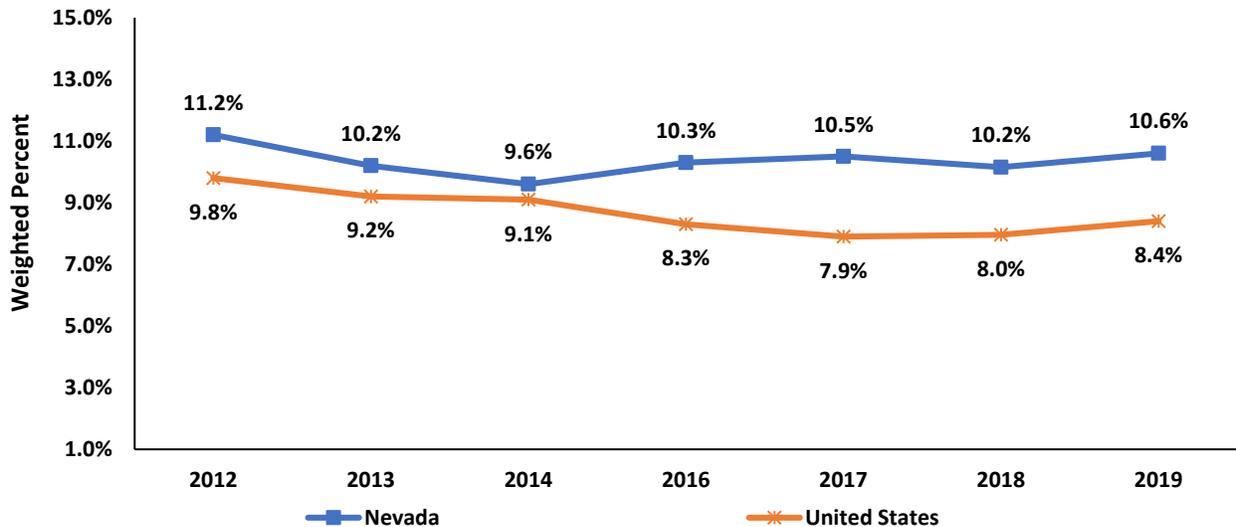
Substance use data are collected from hospital billing data, vital records data, and through national survey data including Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration, BRFSS and YRBS.

National Survey on Drug Use and Health

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH). The survey tracks trends of illicit drug, alcohol, and tobacco use, as well as mental health issues throughout the United States.

According to SAMHSA’s website, state data tables and reports from the 2019-2020 NSDUH “are no longer available due to methodological concerns with combining the 2019 and 2020 data.” Therefore, data in this section exclude data from the 2019-2020 NSDUH state reports. For more information, please visit [SAMHSA 2019-2020 State Reports](#)

Figure 26. Illicit Drug Use Among Adolescents in the Past Month, Aged 12-17, Nevada and the United States, 2012-2019.

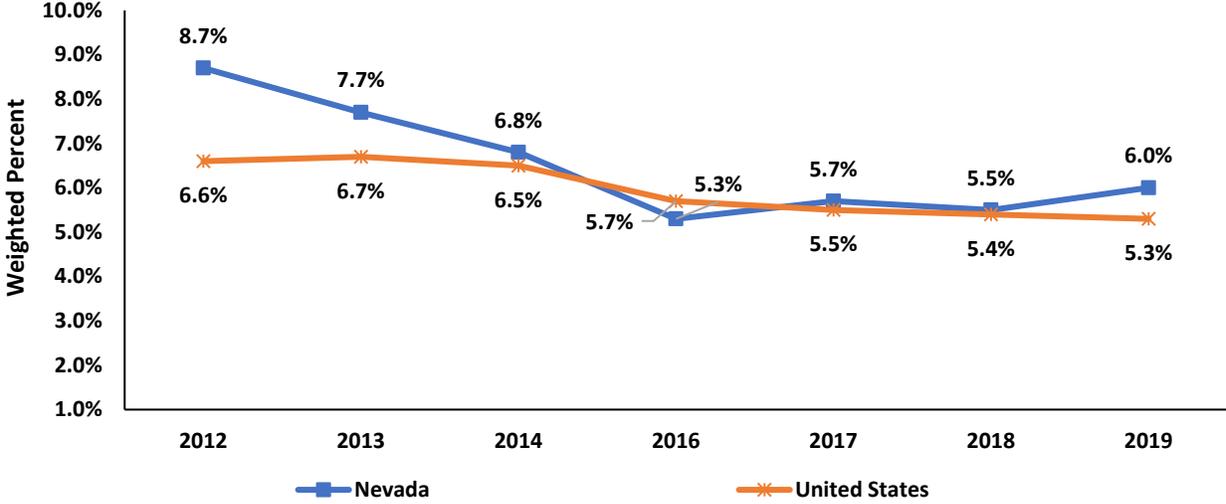


Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health. Chart scaled to 15.0% to display differences among groups.

Although Nevada reported higher percents among adolescent illicit drug use than the United States in every year from 2012-2019, Nevada has remained within 3% of the United States each year, with 10.6% in 2019, compared to the United States at 8.4%. Nevada percent has remained steady, with a high of 11.2% in 2012 and a low of 9.6% in 2014.

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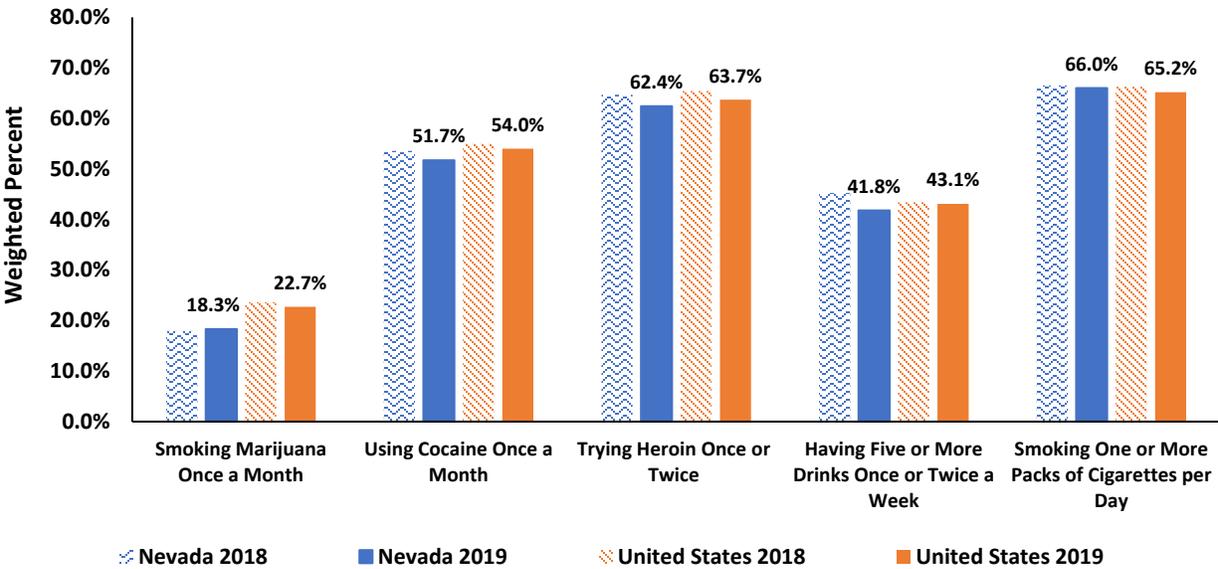
Figure 27. Alcohol Use Disorder in the Past Year, Aged 12 and Above, Nevada and the United States, 2012-2019.



Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health. Chart scaled to 10.0% to display differences among groups.

Alcohol use disorder among Nevadans aged 12 and above has remained within 1% from the United States, with the exception in 2012 (8.7% and 6.6%, respectively).

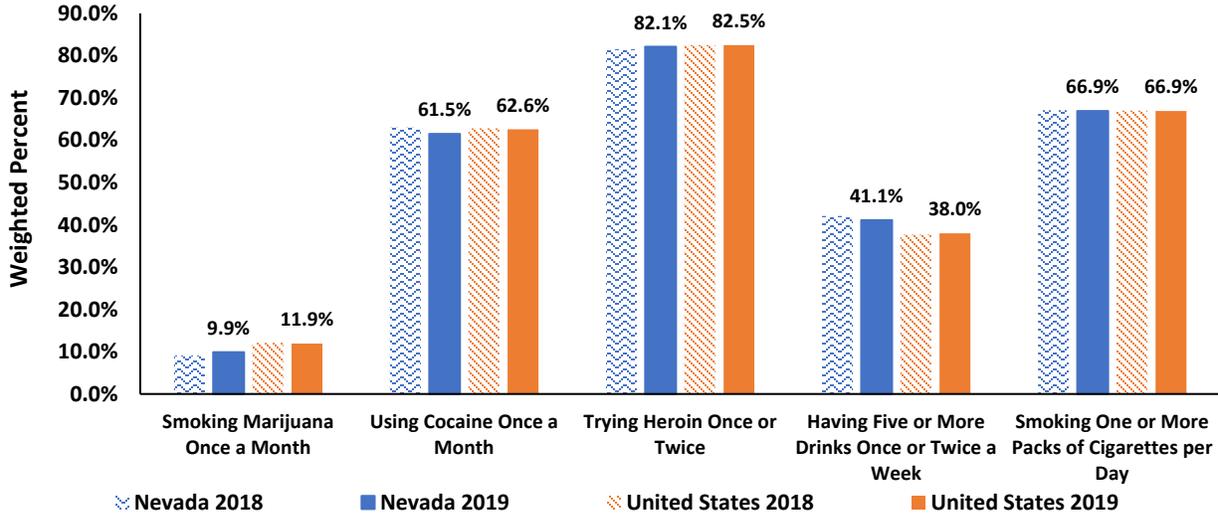
Figure 28. Perceptions of Great Risk from Alcohol or Substance Use, Adolescents Aged 12-17, Nevada and the United States 2018-2019.



Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. Chart scaled to 80.0% to display differences among groups.

For perceived risks, the higher the percent, the more the person perceives there is a risk from it. Nevada adolescents aged 12-17 perceived risk in 2019 is lower than the United States for most alcohol or substance use, including using cocaine once a month at 51.7% and the United States at 54.0%.

Figure 29. Perceptions of Great Risk from Alcohol or Substance Use, Young Adults Aged 18-25, Nevada and the United States 2018-2019.



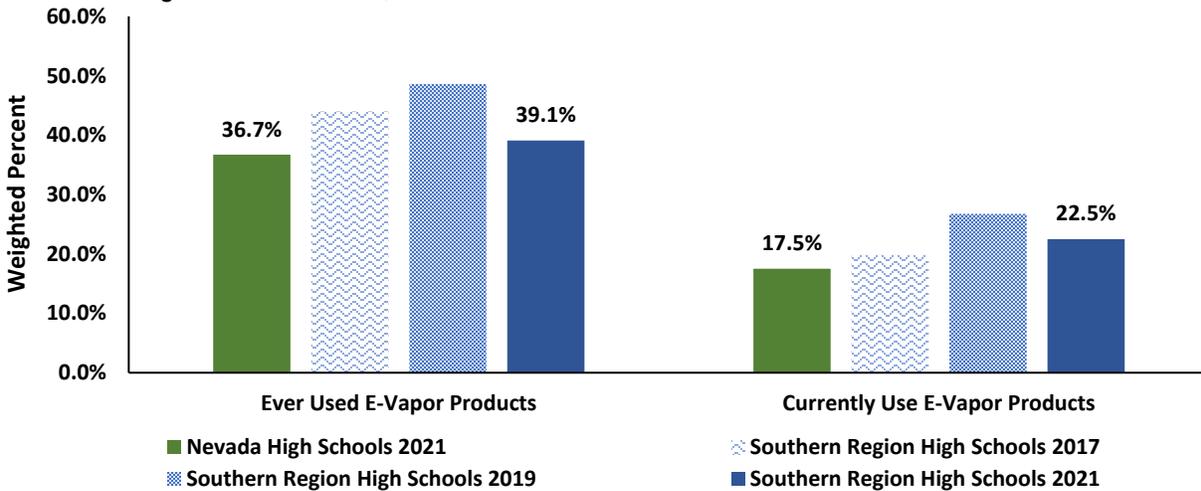
Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Surveys on Drug Use and Health, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. Chart scaled to 90.0% to display differences among groups.

Similar to Nevada adolescents aged 12-17, Nevadans’ perceived risk among persons aged 18-25 is lower than the United States in 2019 for most alcohol or substance use except for having five or more drinks once or twice a week (41.1% and 38.0%, respectively), and both at 66.9% for smoking one or more packs of cigarettes per day.

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)

The YRBS monitors six categories of health-related behaviors that contribute to leading causes of death and disabilities among youth and adults. Nevada high school and middle school students are surveyed during the odd numbered years. In 2021, 296 high school, and 287 middle school students participated in the YRBS in the Southern Region. The University of Nevada, Reno maintains the YRBS data and publishes data on each survey. For more information on the YRBS survey, please go to the following site: [UNR YRBS](#)

Figure 30a. Electronic Vapor Product Use*, Southern Region High School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.



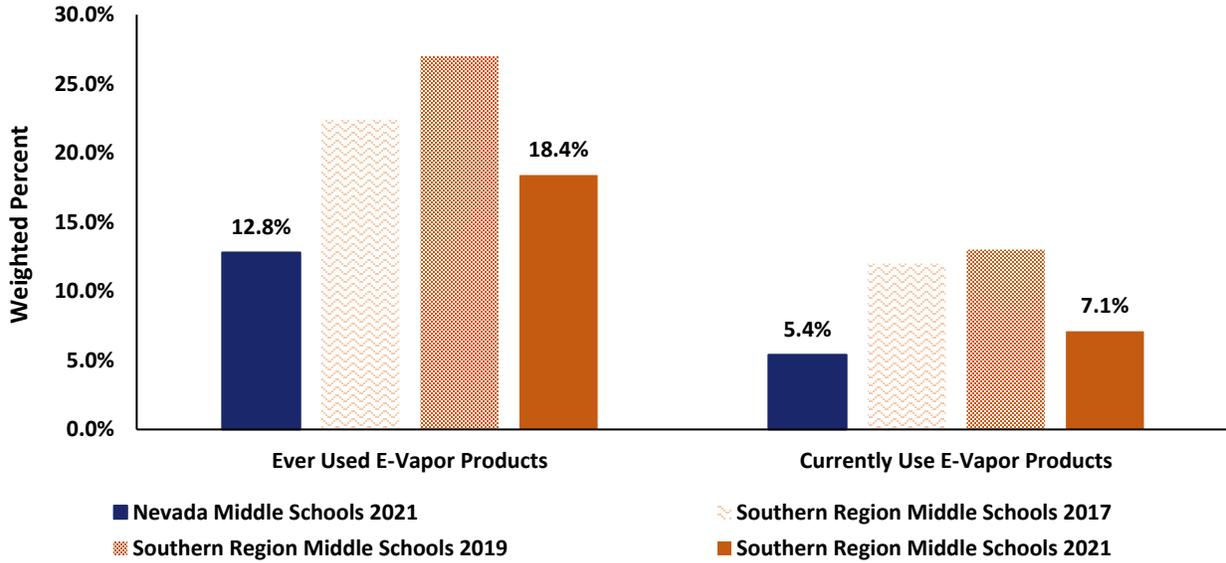
Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.

Chart scaled to 60.0% to display differences among groups.

*Includes e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods such as 'JUUL', 'SMOK', 'Suorin', 'Vuse', and 'blu'.

The percent of Southern Region high school students who reported ever or currently using electronic vapor (E-vapor) products were highest in 2019 followed by a decrease in 2021. The percent of Southern Region high school students who reported ever or currently using electronic vapor (E-vapor) products in 2021 are higher than the 2021 Nevada high school student percents, but not significantly higher.

Figure 30b. Electronic Vapor Product Use, Southern Region Middle School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada Middle School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.

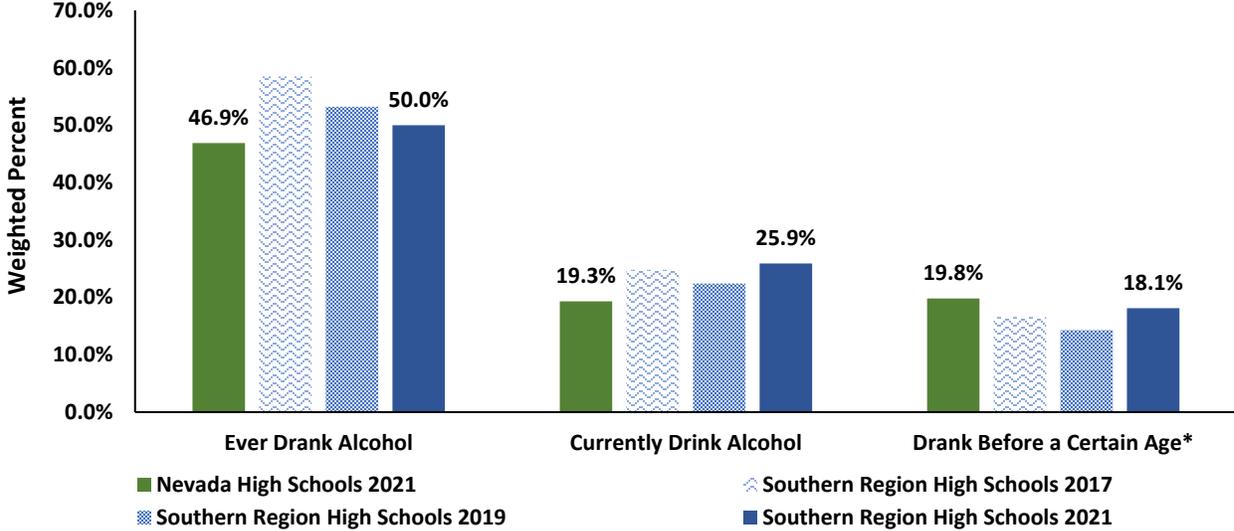
Chart scaled to 35.0% to display differences among groups.

*Includes e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods such as 'JUUL', 'SMOK', 'Suorin', 'Vuse', and 'blu'.

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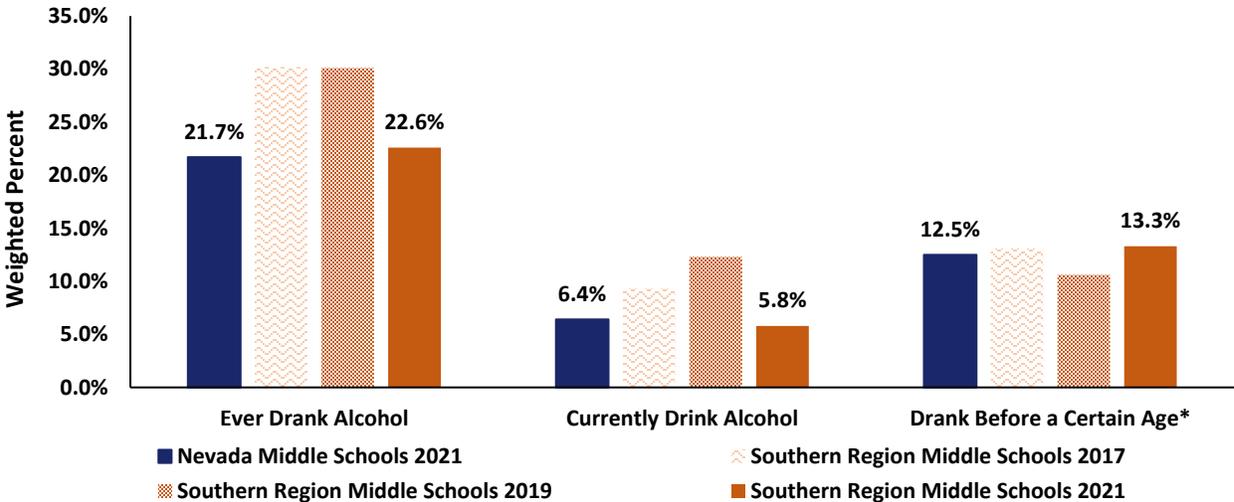
Figure 31a. Alcohol Use, Southern Region High School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 70.0% to display differences among groups.
 *Among high school students, if they ever drank before age 13.

The percent of high school students in the Southern Region who ever drank alcohol has steadily declined from 2017 to 2021, while the percent who currently drink alcohol or who drank before a certain age was highest in 2021. The percent of Southern Region high school students in 2021 who ever drank alcohol or currently drink alcohol are higher than Nevada high school students, but not significantly. The percent of Southern Region high school students in 2021 who ever drank alcohol or currently drink alcohol are higher than Nevada high school students, but not significantly.

Figure 31b. Alcohol Use, Southern Region Middle School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada Middle School Students, 2021.



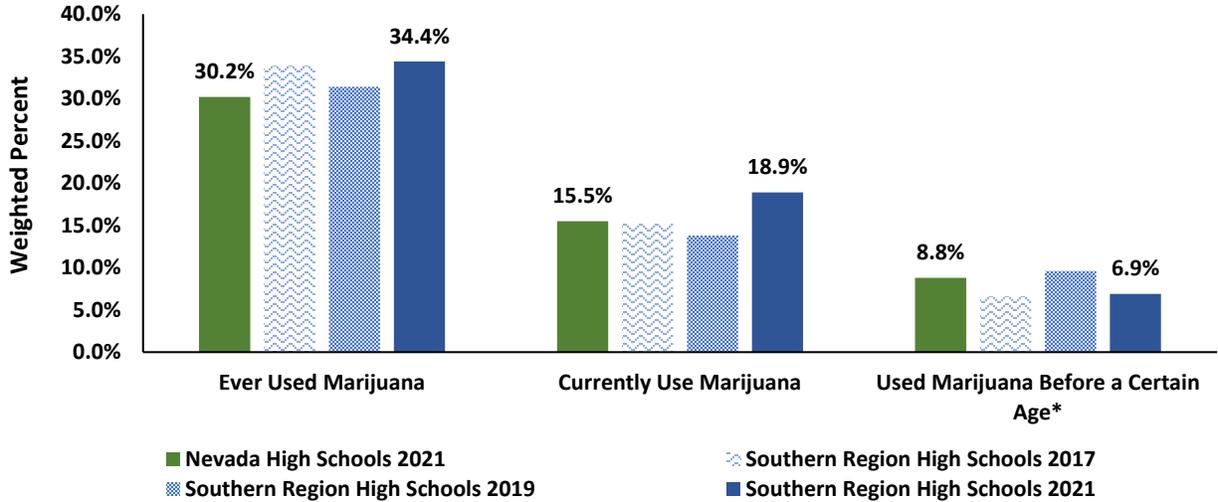
Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 35.0% to display differences among groups.
 *In middle school students, if they ever drank before age 11.

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The percent of Southern Region middle school students who ever drank alcohol or currently drink alcohol lowest in 2021, while the percent who drank before a certain age was highest in 2021.

The percent of Southern Region middle school students in 2021 who ever drank alcohol or drank before a certain age were higher than the percent of 2021 Nevada middle school students, but not significantly. The percent of Southern Region middle school students in 2021 who currently drink alcohol was lower than the percent of 2021 Nevada middle school students, but not significantly.

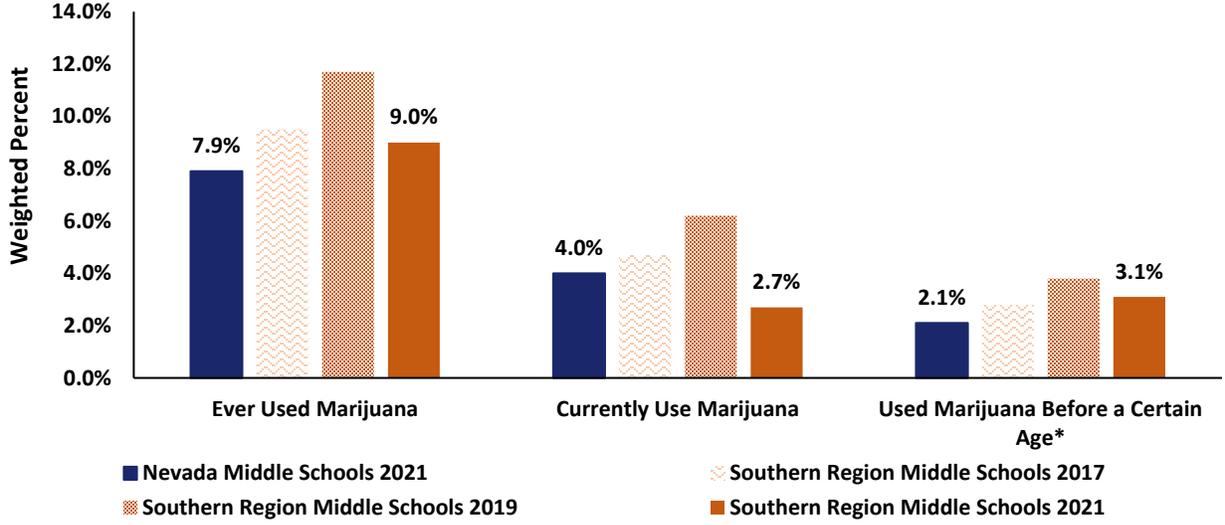
Figure 32a. Marijuana Use, Southern Region High School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 40.0% to display differences among groups.
 *In high school students, if they ever used marijuana before age 13.

The percent of high school students in the Southern Region who ever used marijuana and currently use marijuana were at the highest in 2021, while the percent who used marijuana before a certain age (13 years old) was highest in 2019. The percent of Southern Region high school students in 2021 who ever used marijuana or currently use marijuana were higher than the percent of Nevada high school students in 2021, but not significantly. The percent of Southern Region high school students in 2021 who who used marijuana before a certain age (13 years old) was lower than the percent of Nevada high school students, but not significantly.

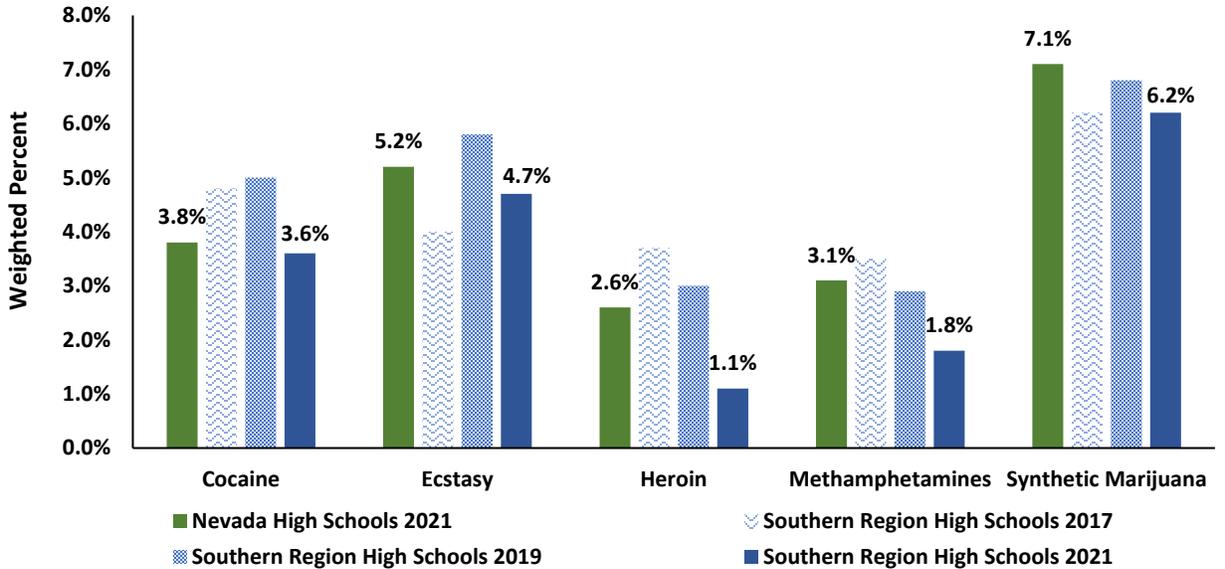
Figure 32b. Marijuana Use, Southern Region Middle School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada Middle School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 14.0% to display differences among groups.
 *Among middle school students, if they ever used marijuana before age 11.

The percent of middle school students in the Southern Region who ever used marijuana, currently use marijuana, or used marijuana before a certain age (11 years old) were at the highest in 2019. The percent of Southern Region middle school students in 2021 who ever used marijuana or used marijuana before a certain age were higher than the percent of Nevada middle school students in 2021, but not significantly. The percent of Southern Region middle school students in 2021 who currently use marijuana was lower than the percent of Nevada high school students in 2021, but not significantly.

Figure 33a. Lifetime Drug Use, Southern Region High School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.

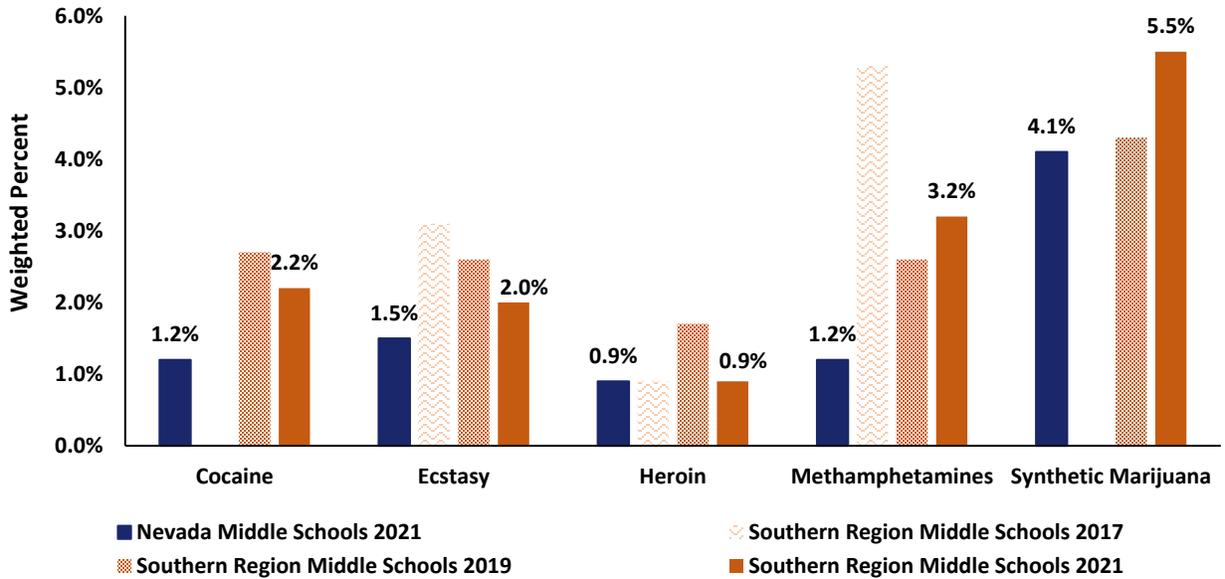


Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 8.0% to display differences among groups.

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From 2017 to 2021, lifetime heroin and methamphetamine use among the Southern Region high school students steadily decreased. Lifetime cocaine, ecstasy, and synthetic marijuana use was highest in 2019 before decreasing in 2021. All categories of lifetime drug use listed in Figure 33a above among the Southern Region high school students in 2021 were lower than Nevada high school students in 2021, but not significantly.

Figure 33b. Lifetime Drug Use, Southern Region Middle School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada Middle School Students, 2021.



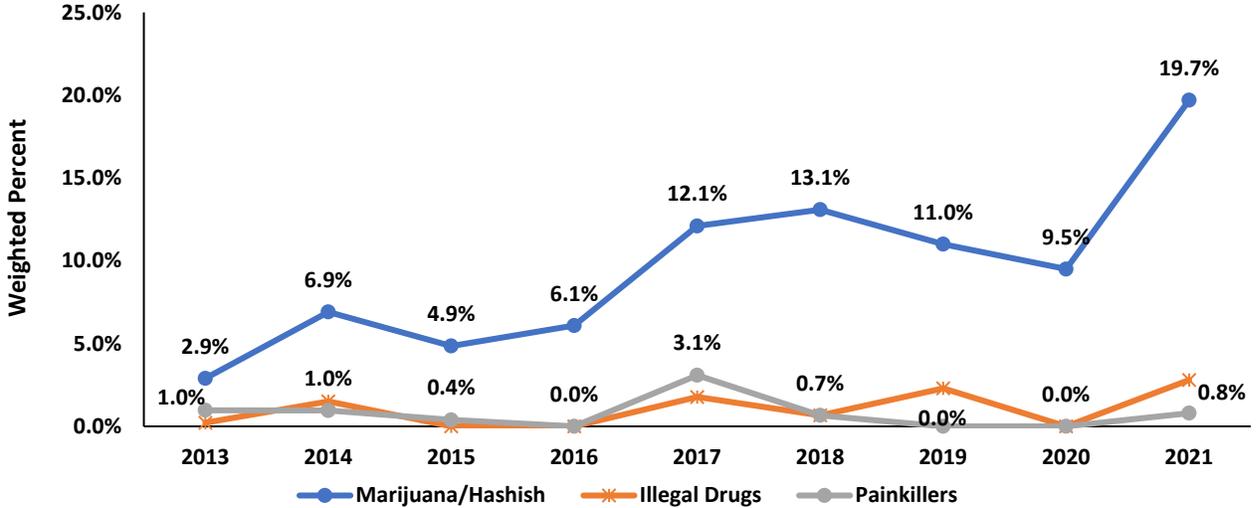
Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 6.0% to display differences among groups.
 Lifetime use of cocaine and synthetic marijuana not asked in 2017.

From 2017 to 2021, lifetime ecstasy use among the Southern Region middle school students steadily decreased. Lifetime cocaine, ecstasy, methamphetamine, and synthetic marijuana use among the Southern Region middle school students in 2021 were higher than Nevada middle school students in 2021, while lifetime heroin use was the same.

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

BRFSS collects information on adult health-related risk behaviors. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, BRFSS is a powerful tool for targeting and building health promotion activities. The survey has questions focusing on substance use including illegal drug use, e-cigarettes, and drunkenness.

Figure 34. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Who Used Marijuana/Hashish, Illegal Substances, or Painkillers to Get High in the Last 30 Days, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



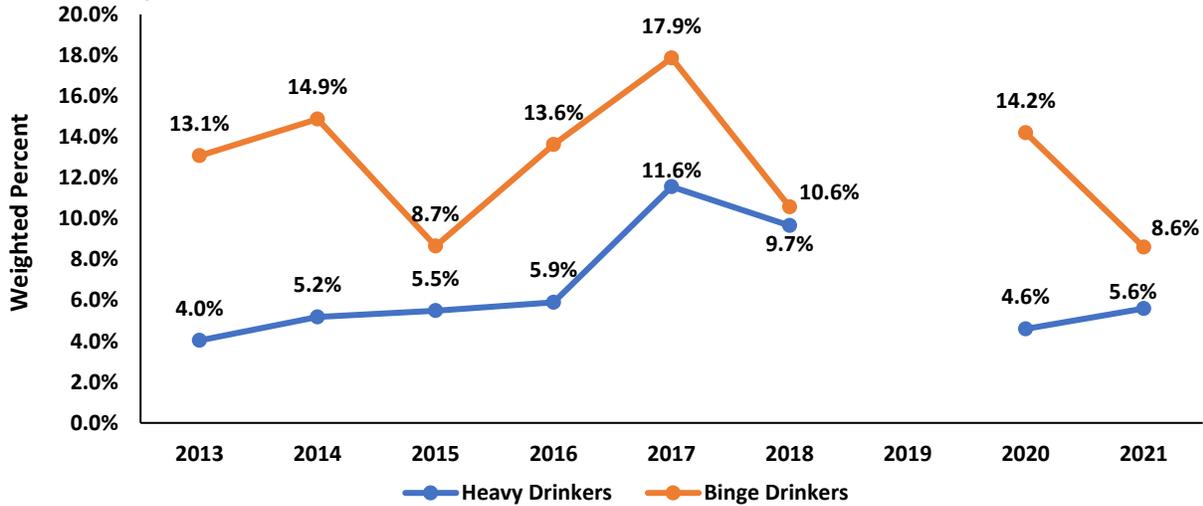
Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Chart scaled to 25.0% to display differences among groups.

Specific question asked in survey: "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish/any other illegal drug/prescription drugs without a doctor's order, just to "feel good," or to "get high"?"

In 2021, 19.7% of Southern Region adults have used marijuana in the past 30 days, an increase from 9.5% in 2020, and over a 59% increase from 2013 (2.9%). Marijuana use is expected to increase as marijuana was legalized in Nevada in 2017. Of Southern Region adults surveyed, approximately 0.8% (on average) used painkillers to get high in the last 30 days and 2.8% used other illegal drugs to get high in the last 30 days.

Figure 35. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Who are Considered Binge Drinkers or Heavy Drinkers, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Chart scaled to 20.0% to display differences among groups.

Heavy drinkers (adult men having more than 14 drinks per week and adult women having more than seven drinks per week).

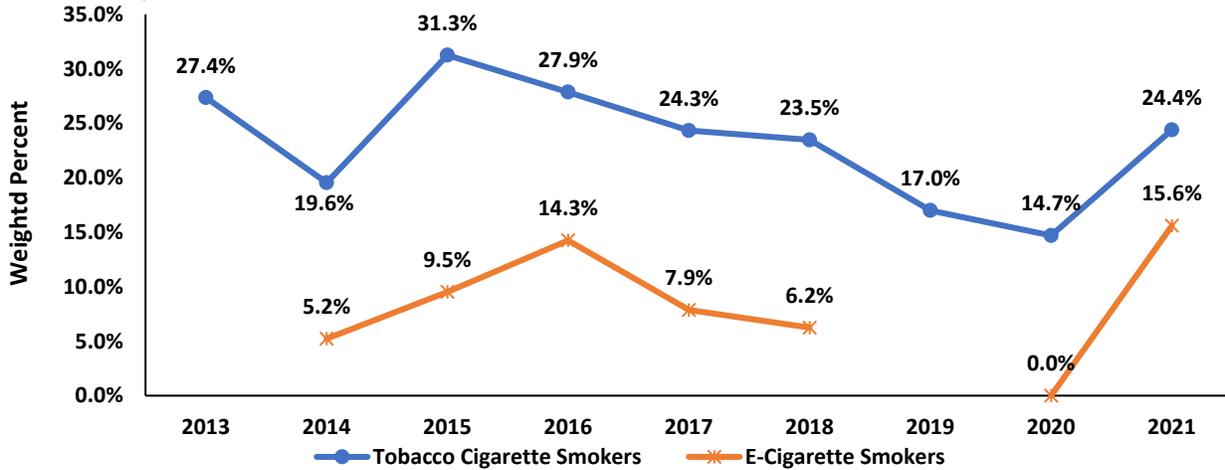
Binge drinkers (adult men having five or more drinks on one occasion, adult women having four or more drinks on one occasion).

Indicators were not measured in 2019.

Binge drinking is defined in men as having five or more alcoholic beverages and woman having four or more alcoholic beverages on the same occasion. Heavy drinking is defined in men as consuming 15 or more alcoholic beverages per week, and women as consuming eight or more alcoholic beverages per week ([CDC Binge and Heavy Drinking](#)).

Binge drinking percents among Southern Region residents fluctuated from a high of 17.9% in 2017 to a low of 8.6% in 2021. Heavy drinking percents among Southern Region residents fluctuated from a high of 11.6% in 2017 to a low of 4.0% in 2013.

Figure 36. Percent of Adult BRFSS Respondents Who are Current Tobacco Cigarette or E-Cigarette Smokers, Southern Region Residents, 2013-2021.



Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Chart scaled to 40% to display differences among groups.

E-cigarette use was not collected until 2014 and was not measured in 2019.

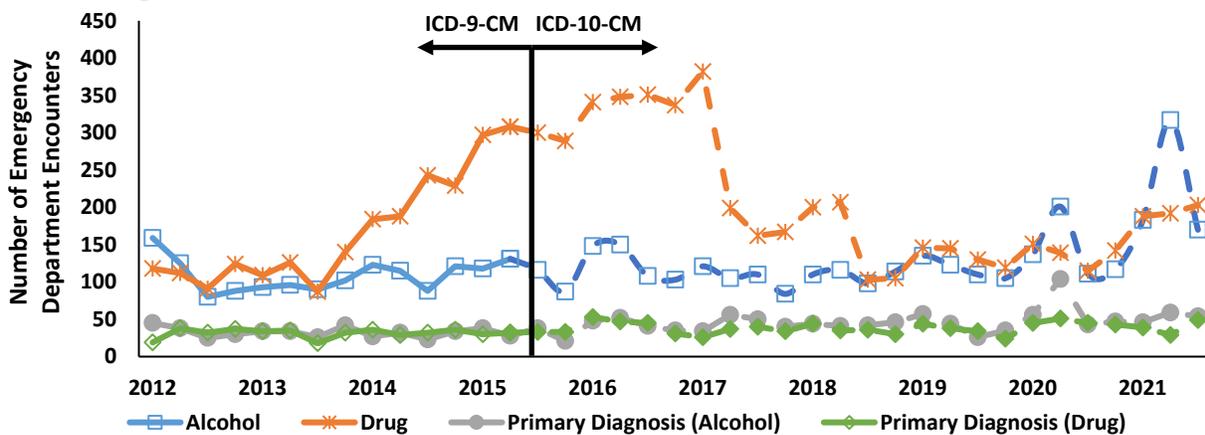
Current cigarette smokers are defined as individuals who have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime and currently smoke. Current e-cigarette smokers are defined as individuals who currently have smoked on at least one day in the past 30 days or who currently report using e-cigarettes or other electronic “vaping” products every day or some days.

In 2021, 24.4% of adult BRFSS respondents in the Southern Region were current tobacco cigarette smokers, which has decreased from a high of 31.3% in 2015. E-cigarette use has increased among adults in the Southern Region from 5.2% in 2014 (the first year this indicator was collected) to 15.6% in 2021.

Hospital Emergency Department Encounters

The hospital emergency department billing data provides health billing data for emergency departments patients for Nevada’s non-federal hospitals. Since an individual can have more than one diagnosis during a single emergency department visit, the following numbers are not mutually exclusive.

Figure 37. Alcohol-Related and Drug-Related Emergency Department Encounters by Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

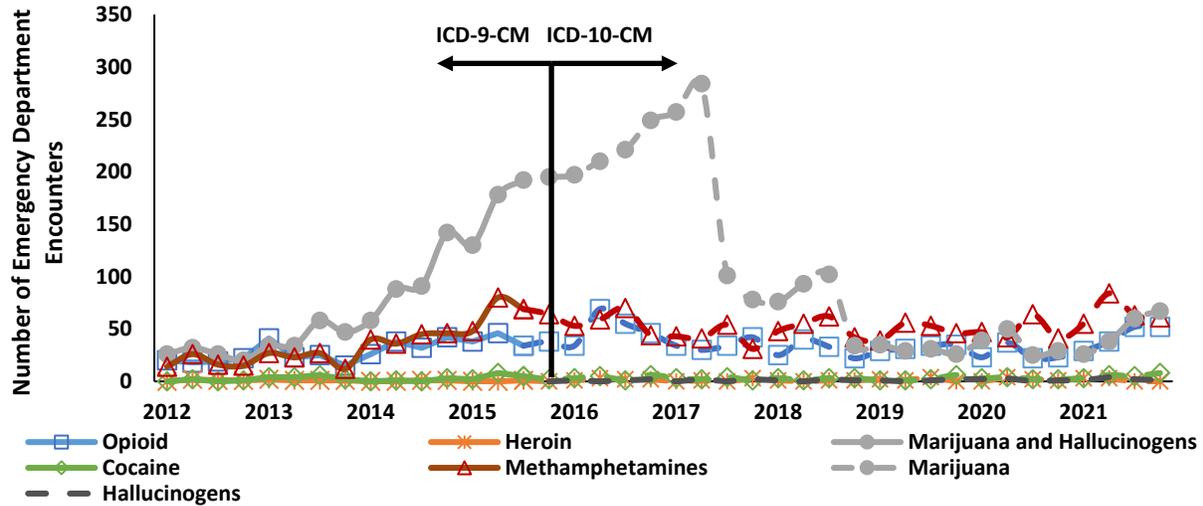
Categories are not mutually exclusive.

ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

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The “primary diagnosis” is the condition established to be chiefly responsible for the emergency department visit. The “alcohol” and “drug” categories are for any visits where alcohol/drugs were listed in any of the diagnoses. Drug-related encounters were the most common from 2013 to 2020 but were replaced by alcohol-related encounters in 2021 through quarter 3.

Figure 38. Drug-Related Emergency Department Encounters by Drug and Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

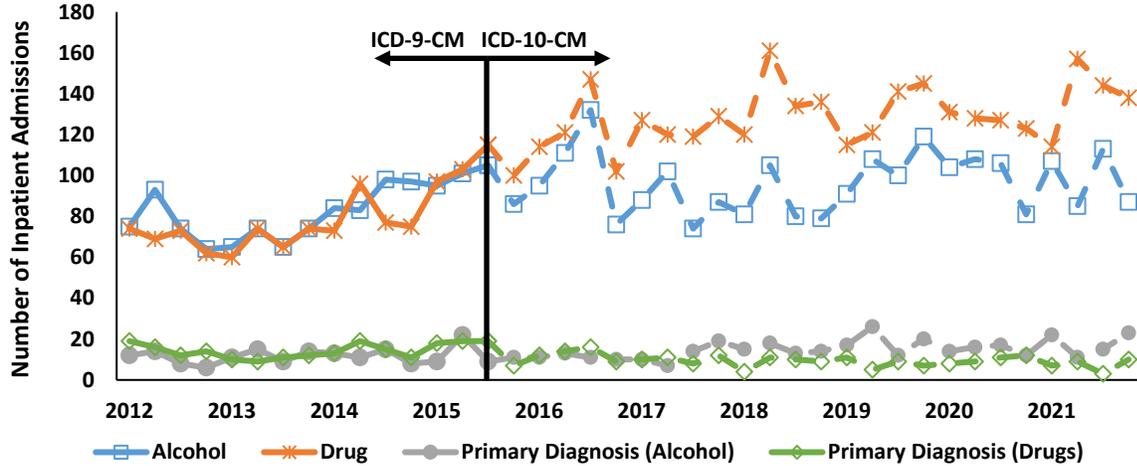
ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

Hallucinogens and marijuana were grouped together for ICD-9-CM, but in 2015 were separated into different groups in the ICD-10-CM codes. Marijuana-related emergency department encounters have increased from 2016 to 2017, then decreased and fell below methamphetamines from 2019 to 2021.

Hospital Inpatient Admissions

The hospital inpatient admission billing data provides health billing data for patients admitted to hospitals for longer than a 24-hour period.

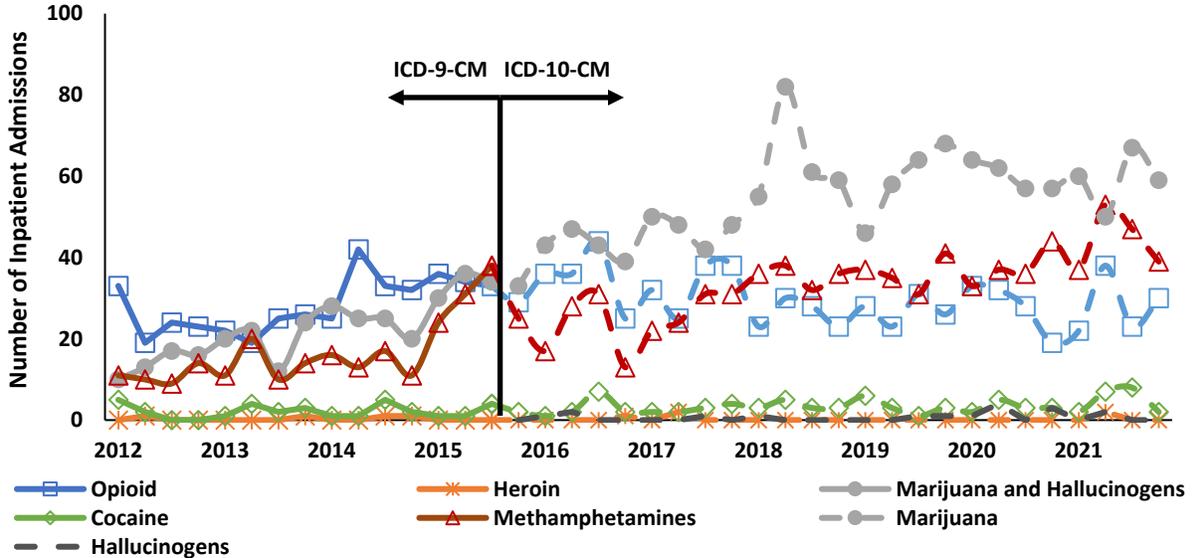
Figure 39. Alcohol-Related and/or Drug-Related Inpatient Admissions by Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.
 Categories are not mutually exclusive.
 ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

Drug-related admissions were similar to alcohol-related admissions until 2016 where drug-related admissions become the most common admission type.

Figure 40. Drug-Related Inpatient Admissions by Quarter and Year, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.
 Categories are not mutually exclusive.
 ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

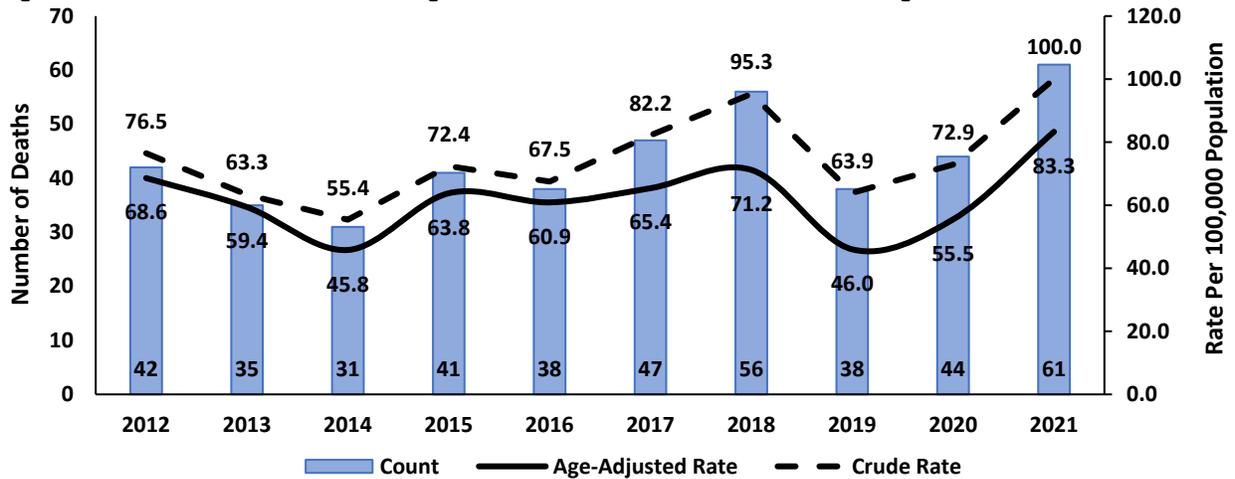
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Hallucinogens and marijuana were grouped together for ICD-9-CM, but in 2015 were separated into different groups in the ICD-10-CM codes. Marijuana-related inpatient admissions have increased steadily from 2016 to 2018 when the number of admissions decreased until 2019 and has since increased through 2021. However, during the second quarter of 2021, despite overall growth, methamphetamines surpassed marijuana for total admissions.

Alcohol-Related and/or Drug-Related Deaths

Alcohol-related and/or drug-related deaths include deaths where alcohol/drugs are listed as the cause of death.

Figure 41. Alcohol-Related and/or Drug-Related Deaths and Rates, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.

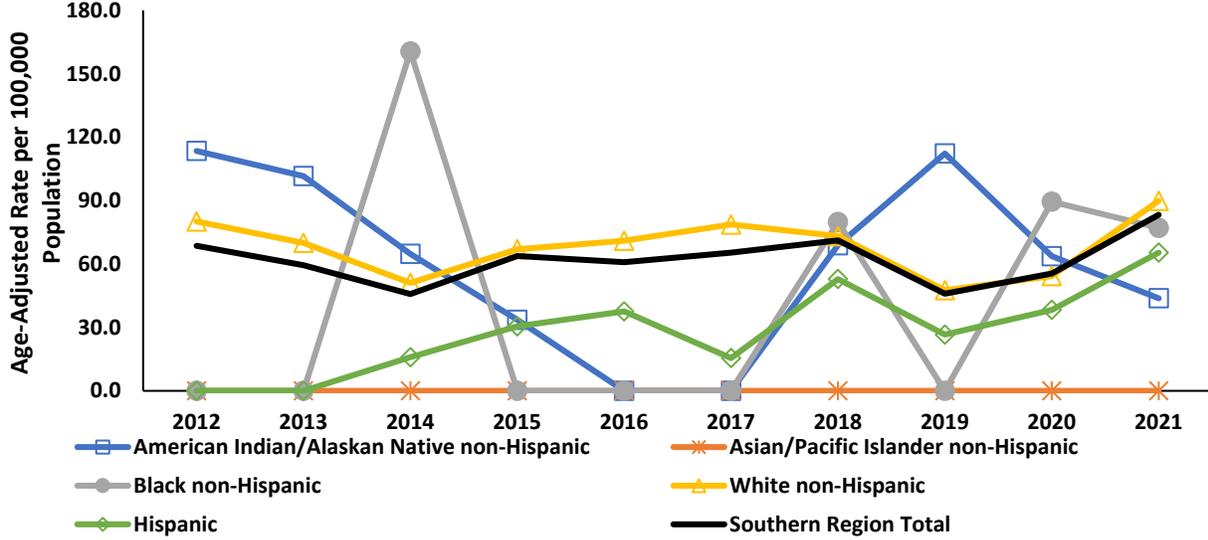


Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Alcohol-related and/or drug-related age-adjusted rates among Southern Region residents have fluctuated from a high of 100.0 per 100,000 population in 2021 to a low of 55.4 per 100,000 population in 2014.

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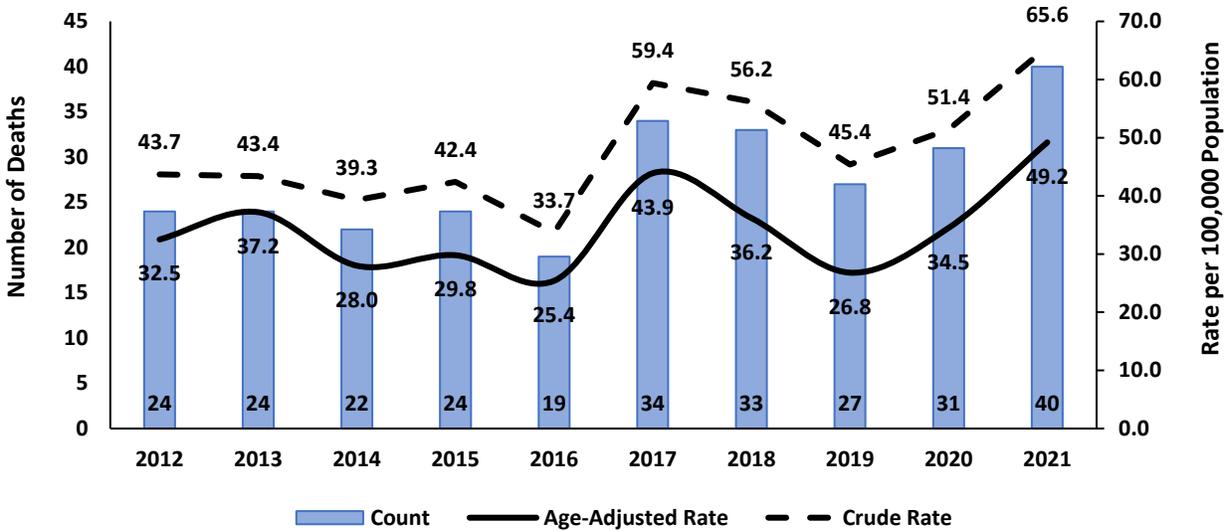
Figure 42. Age-Adjusted Rate for Alcohol-Related and/or Drug-Related Deaths by Race, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Due to low population sizes, rates may have high variance and may not be necessarily indicative. Rates among the Hispanic population have historically been lower than the Southern Region total rates across all years.

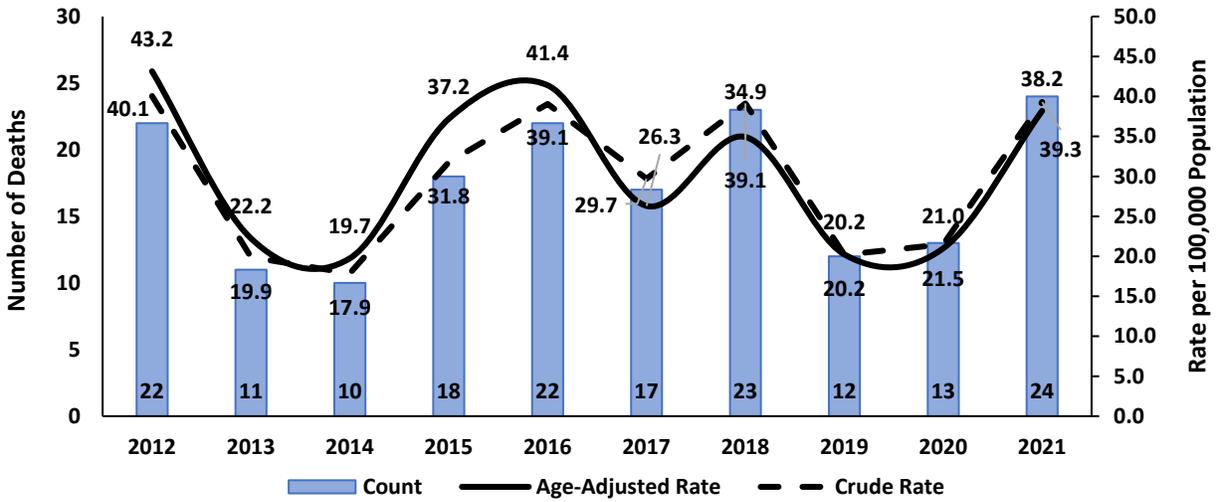
Figure 43. Alcohol-Related Deaths and Rates, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Alcohol-related age-adjusted rates have fluctuated from a high of 65.6 per 100,000 in 2021 to a low of 33.7 per 100,000 in 2016. The highest number of alcohol-related deaths was in 2021, with 40 deaths.

Figure 44. Drug-Related Deaths and Rates, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



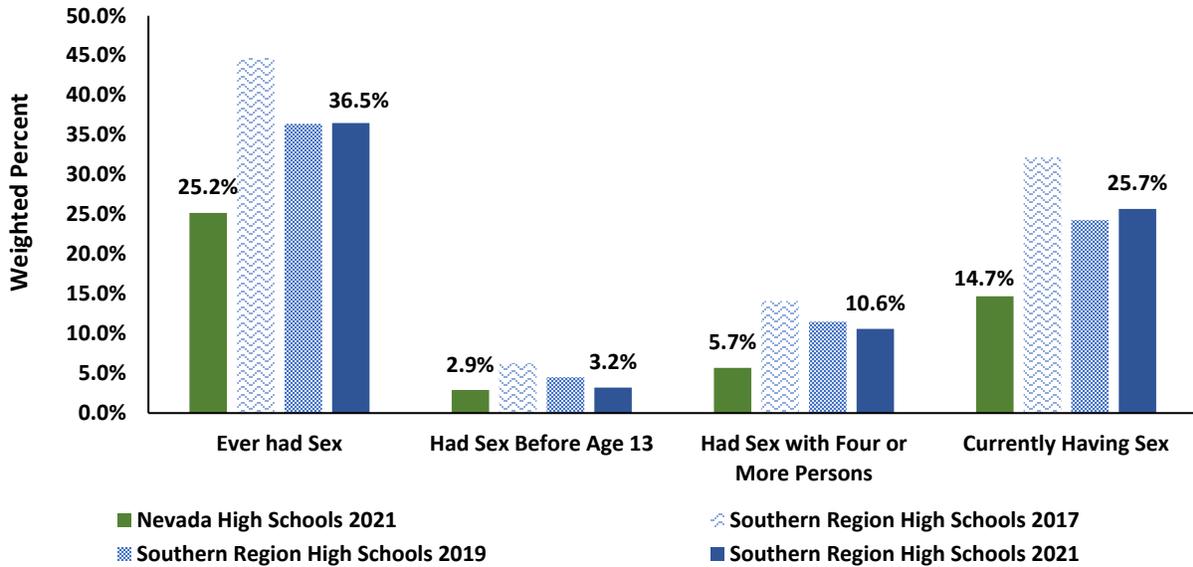
Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Drug-related age-adjusted rates have fluctuated from a high of 40.1 per 100,000 in 2012 to a low of 17.9 per 100,000 in 2014. The age-adjusted rate for 2021 was 39.3 per 100,000. The highest number of drug-related deaths occurred in 2021, with 24 deaths.

Youth (Adverse Effects from Youth)

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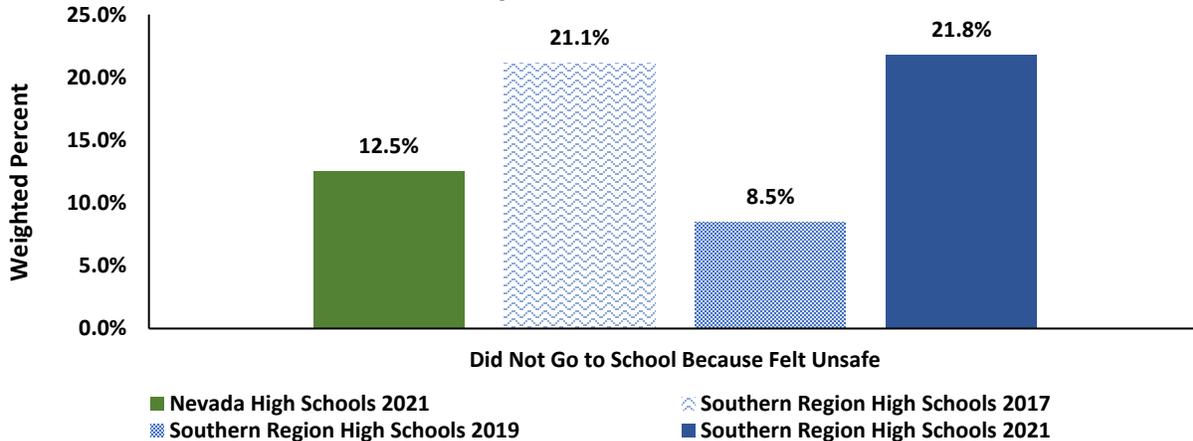
Figure 45. Sexual Behaviors Among Students, Southern Region High School Students, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 50.0% to display differences among groups.

The percent of high school students in the Southern Region who ever had sex, had sex before age 13, had sex with four or more persons, and were currently having sex were highest in 2017. All percents of sexual behaviors listed above in Figure 45 among Southern Region high school students in 2021 are higher than Nevada high school students in 2021, but not significantly.

Figure 46. Percent of Southern Region High School Students Who Didn't Go to School Because They Felt Unsafe, 2017, 2019, and 2021, and Nevada High School Students, 2021.



Source: Nevada Youth Risk Behavior Survey.
 Chart scaled to 25.0% to display differences among groups.

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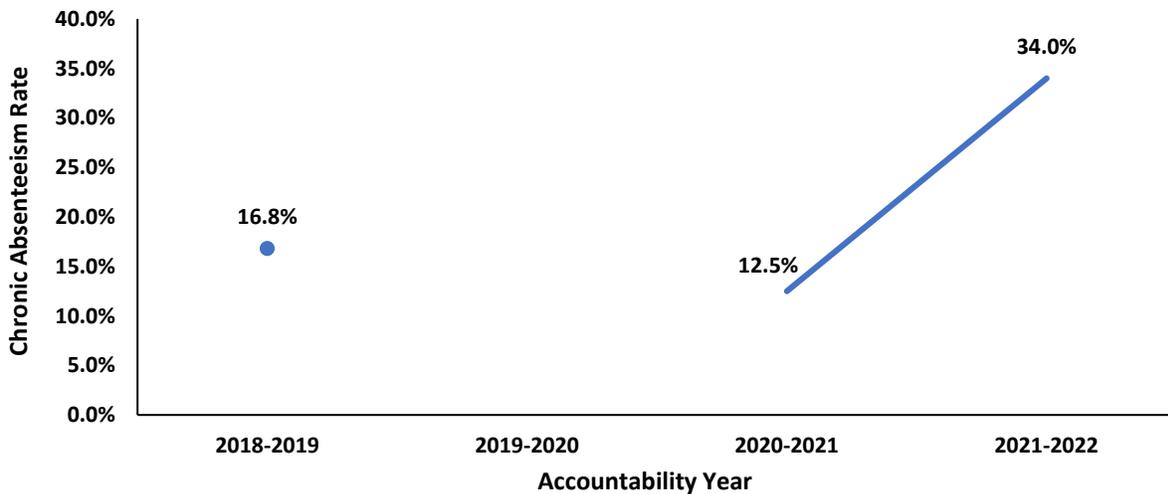
The percent of high school students in the Southern Region who did not go to school because they felt unsafe were highest in 2017 and 2021 (21.1% and 21.8%, respectively). The Southern Region percent in 2021 was higher than among Nevada high school students in 2021, but not significantly.

Nevada Report Card

The Nevada Report Card is the accountability reporting website of the Nevada Department of Education. In compliance with federal and state law, it assists community members (parents, educators, researchers, lawmakers, etc.) in locating a wealth of detailed information pertaining to K-12 public education in Nevada. The web site has three categories: “school and district information,” “assessment and accountability” and “fiscal and technology.”

When student behavioral health needs are not identified or not provided with the necessary attention, they are more likely to experience difficulties in school. These include higher rates of suspension, expulsion, dropout, and truancy, as well as lower grades. Nationally, 50% of students aged 14 or older who are living with a mental illness drop out of high school. This is the highest dropout rate of any disability group.

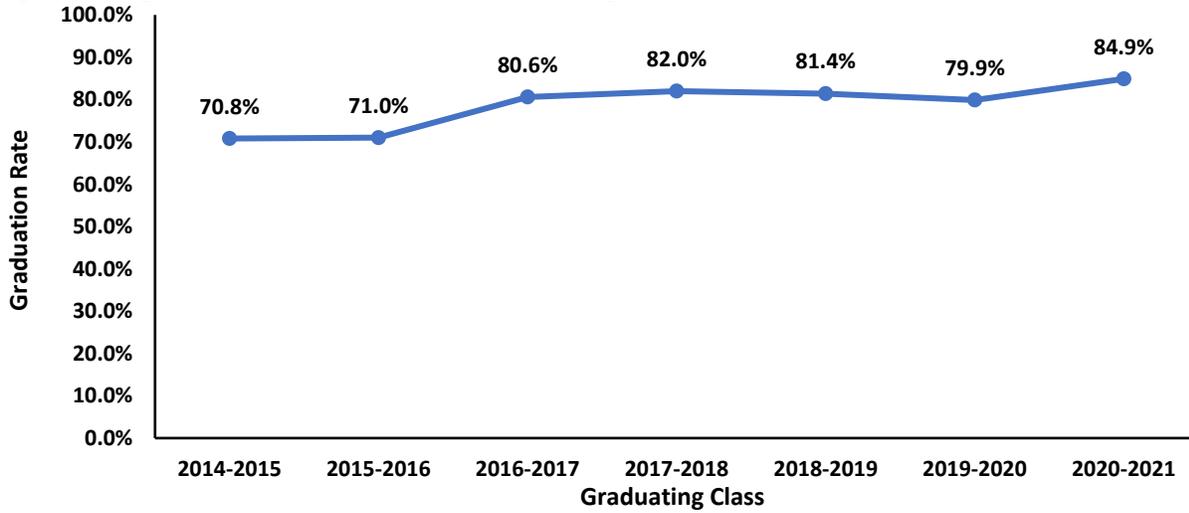
Figure 47. Chronic Absenteeism Rate, Southern Region, Nevada, 2019-2022.



Source: Nevada Department of Education, Report Card.
Indicator was not measured during the 2019-2020 school year.
Chart scaled to 40.0% to display differences among groups.

The chronic absenteeism rate is the percentage of students who miss 10% or more of enrolled school days per year either with or without a valid excuse. The Southern Region reported the lowest rate of 12.5% during the 2020-2021 accountability year, and the highest rate during the 2021-2022 accountability year, at 34.0%. The chronic absenteeism rate was not collected for the 2019-2020 school year, due to the US Department of Education Covid-19 waiver.

Figure 48. High School Graduation Rate, Southern Region, Class Cohorts 2015-2021.



Source: Nevada Department of Education, Report Card.

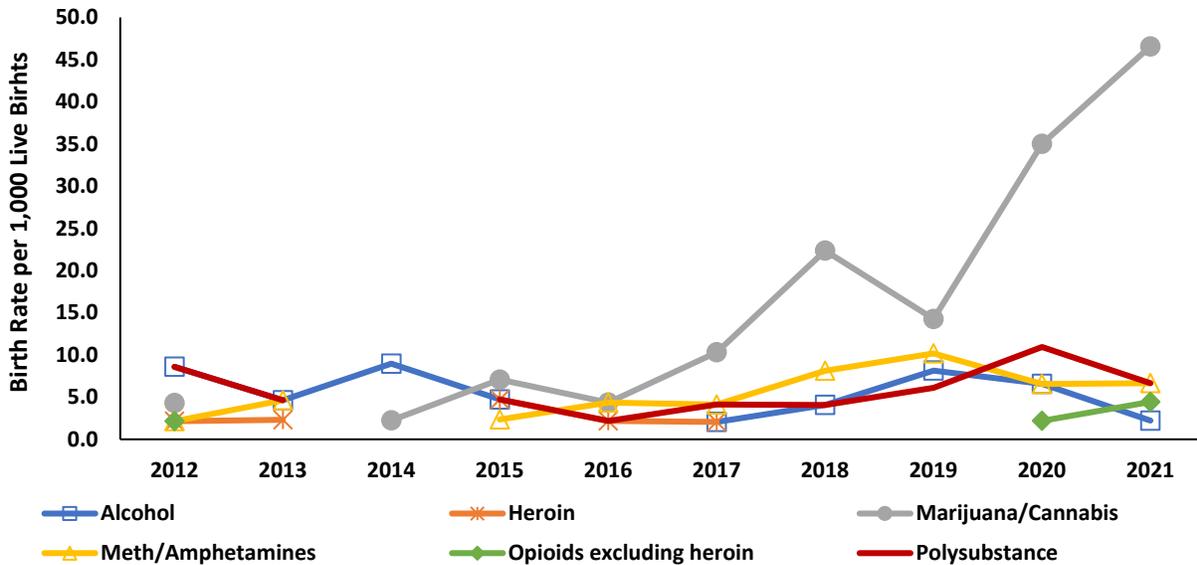
Graduation rate is defined as the rate at which 9th graders graduate by the end of the 12th grade (number of students who graduate in four years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students from the adjusted cohort for the graduation class). The highest graduation rate among Southern Region high schools since 2014 is 84.9% for the class of 2021.

Maternal and Child Health

Substance Use Among Pregnant Women (Birth)

The data in this section is reflective of self-reported information provided by the mother on the birth record. On average, there were 460 live births per year to Nevada residents between 2012 and 2021. In 2021, one birth certificate indicated alcohol use, 28 birth certificates indicated marijuana use, eight indicated meth/amphetamine use, one indicated opiate use, and one indicated heroin use during pregnancy.

Figure 49. Prenatal Substance Use Birth Rates (Self-Reported) for Select Substances, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Nevada Electronic Birth Registry System.

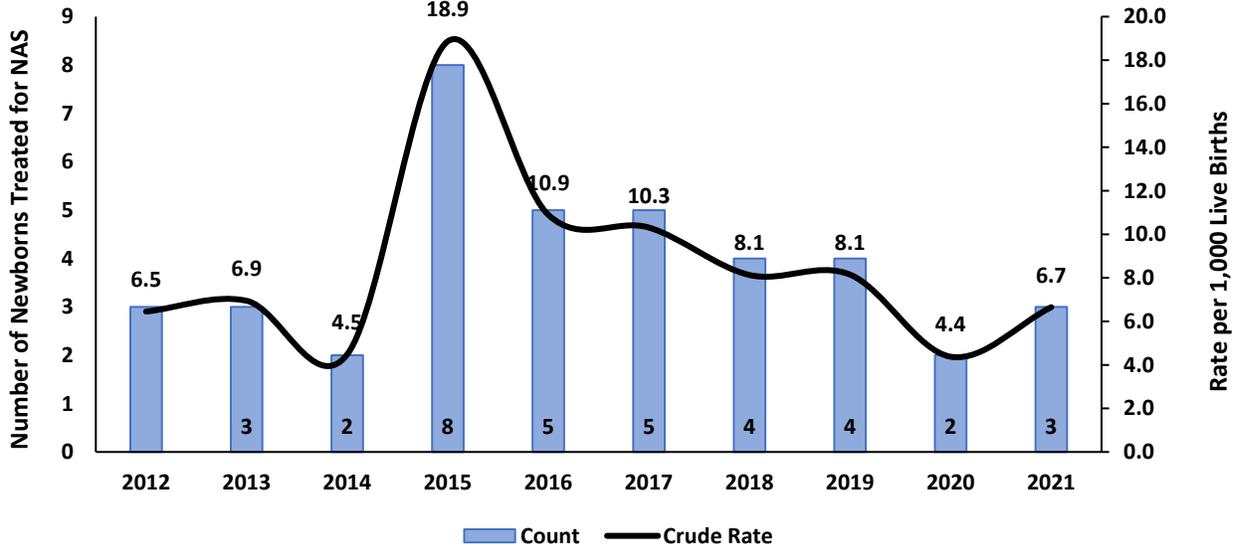
Of the self-reported substance use during pregnancy among Southern Region persons who gave birth between 2012 and 2021, the highest rate was with marijuana use in 2021, at 46.6 per 1,000 live births. Since 2015, the marijuana use rate has surpassed the alcohol use rate, which was 2.2 per 1,000 births in 2021. In 2019, a rate of 10.2 per 1,000 live births was reported for meth/amphetamines, which is higher than 2012 at 2.2 per 1,000 live births. Polysubstance use (more than one substance) has increased from 2.2 per 1,000 live births in 2016 to 10.9 per 1,000 live births in 2020.

Because alcohol and substance use during pregnancy is self-reported by the mothers, rates are likely lower than actual rates due to underreporting, and expectant mothers may be reluctant to be forthcoming on the birth record for a variety of reasons.

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome

Neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) is a group of conditions that occur in a newborn who was exposed to addictive, illegal, or prescription drugs while in the mother’s womb. Withdrawal or abstinence symptoms develop shortly after birth.

Figure 50. Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome, Southern Region Residents, 2012-2021.



Source: Hospital Inpatient Department Billing and Nevada Electronic Birth Registry System. ICD-9-CM codes were replaced by ICD-10-CM codes in last quarter of 2015, therefore data prior to that may not be directly comparable.

The rate of inpatient admissions for NAS decreased from a high of 18.9 per 1,000 live births in 2015 a low of 4.4 per 1,000 live births in 2020. In 2021, the rate of NAS increased to 6.7 per 1,000 live births among Southern Region residents.

Appendix

Hospital billing data (emergency department encounters and inpatient admissions) and mortality data both utilize International Classification of Diseases codes (ICD). Hospital billing uses ICD-CM which is a 7-digit code versus mortality where the ICD codes are 4-digit. In hospital billing data, the ICD codes are provided in the diagnosis fields, while mortality data the ICD codes are coded from the literal causes of death provided on the death certificate.

In October 2015, ICD-10-CM codes were implemented nationwide. Before October 2015, ICD-9-CM codes were used for medical billing. Therefore, 2015 data consists of two distinct coding schemes, ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM, respectively. Due to this change in coding schemes, hospital billing data from October 2015 forward may not be directly comparable to previous data.

For more detailed ICD-9-CM codes: [Legacy ICD-9-CM billing codes](#)

For more detailed ICD-10-CM codes: [ICD-10-CM billing codes](#)

For more detailed ICD-10 mortality codes: [ICD-10 mortality codes](#)

The following ICD-CM codes were used to define hospital encounters and admissions:

All Diagnosis:

Anxiety: 300.0 (9); F41 (10)
Bi-Polar: 296.40-296.89 (9); F32.89, F31 (10)
Depression: 296.20-296.36, 311 (9); F32.0-F32.5, F33.0-F33.4, F32.9 (10)
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder: 309.81 (9); F43.10, F43.12 (10)
Schizophrenia: 295 V11.0 (9); F20, Z65.8 (10)
Suicidal Ideation: V62.84 (9); R45.851 (10)
Suicide Attempts: E95.0-E95.9 (9); X71-X83, T36-T65, T71 (10)

Primary and All Diagnosis:

Alcohol: 291, 303, 980, 305.0, 357.5, 425.5, 535.3, 571.0, 571.1, 571.2, 571.3, 790.3 (9); F10, K70, G62.1, I42.6, K29.2, R78.0, T51 (10).
Drug: 292, 304, 965, 967, 968, 969, 970, 305.2, 305.3, 305.4, 305.5, 305.6, 305.7, 305.8, 305.9 (9); F11- F16, T39, T40, T43, F18, F19 T41.0, T41.1, T41.2, T41.3, T41.4, T42.3, T43.4, T42.6, T42.7, T42.8 (10).

*Alcohol and drug use encounters are both Primary Diagnosis and All diagnosis were analyzed:

The following ICD-10 codes were used to define mortality causes:

Suicide-related deaths: X60-X84, Y87.0 (Initial cause of death is suicide).
Mental and behavioral-related deaths: F00-F09, and F20-F99 (Initial or contributing cause of death).
Alcohol-related deaths: K70, Y90, Y91, X45, X65, Y15, T51, G31.2, G62.1, I42.6, K29.2, K86.0, K85.0, R78.0, E24.4, O35.4, Q86.0, and Z72.1 (Initial cause of death).
Drug-related deaths: X40-X44, X60-S64, X85, Y10-Y14 (Initial cause of death).

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Data Tables

Table 1. Population Distribution, Southern Region, 2012-2021.

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Southern	50,252	50,627	51,386	52,101	51,744	52,530	54,080	54,718	55,597	56,304
Sex										
Female	24,856	25,088	25,486	25,510	25,372	25,740	26,534	26,889	27,351	27,734
Male	25,396	25,539	25,900	26,591	26,372	26,790	27,546	27,829	28,246	28,570
Age										
<1	404	361	430	357	394	395	400	411	419	427
1-4	1,872	1,797	1,779	143	1,573	1,613	1,681	1,728	1,869	1,895
5-14	5,656	5,597	5,500	5,430	5,275	5,370	5,517	5,534	5,411	5,340
15-24	6,309	6,488	6,554	6,698	6,654	6,410	6,174	5,942	5,865	5,855
25-34	3,927	3,961	4,338	4,971	5,322	5,662	6,027	6,255	6,624	6,946
35-44	4,815	4,763	4,581	4,604	4,381	4,530	4,888	5,136	5,143	5,151
45-54	6,732	6,600	6,603	6,536	6,253	6,157	6,233	6,299	6,416	6,453
55-64	7,771	7,942	8,130	8,173	8,070	8,175	8,609	8,629	8,717	8,658
65-74	7,808	7,885	7,994	7,802	7,710	7,900	8,014	7,957	8,152	8,521
75-84	3,992	4,234	4,434	4,760	4,934	5,044	5,183	5,336	5,396	5,355
85+	965	998	1,044	1,128	1,178	1,275	1,354	1,489	1,585	1,701
Race/Ethnicity										
White non-Hispanic	41,330	41,470	41,863	41,578	41,183	41,581	42,504	42,794	43,244	43,575
Black non-Hispanic	833	853	888	1,378	1,389	1,447	1,506	1,541	1,585	1,615
Native American/Alaskan Native non-Hispanic	882	883	898	1,078	1,066	1,087	1,123	1,134	1,148	1,144
Asian/Pacific Islander non-Hispanic	745	767	802	1,030	1,026	1,062	1,140	1,172	1,213	1,256
Hispanic	6,462	6,655	6,934	7,037	7,080	7,352	7,807	8,077	8,407	8,714

Source: Nevada State Demographer, Vintage 2020.

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Table 2: Prevalence Estimates of Health Risk Behaviors by Region, Nevada Adults, 2021.

Indicator	Clark	Northern	Rural	Southern	Washoe	Nevada
Ever seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months	4.9% (3.2-6.6)	5.4% (2.7-8.1)	6.1% (1.6-10.6)	5.2% (0.0-11.9)	4.1% (2.6-5.5)	4.8% (3.6-6.0)
Heavy drinkers	6.2% (4.6-7.8)	7.9% (4.9-10.9)	7.4% (3.1-11.6)	2.2% (0.0-6.6)	6.8% (4.8-8.8)	6.4% (5.1-7.7)
Binge drinkers	16.4% (13.8-19.0)	15.9% (11.7-20.1)	22.0% (15.0-29.0)	11.3% (0.2-22.5)	18.3% (15.2-21.4)	15.0% (13.2-16.9)
General health poor or fair	21.4% (18.7-24.4)	18.7% (14.4-23.1)	16.1% (10.2-22.0)	22.4% (5.3-36.5)	19.6% (16.3-22.8)	20.9% (18.7-23.1)
Depressive disorder diagnosis	18.0% (15.5-20.7)	21.9% (18.0-25.8)	15.2% (9.5-20.9)	16.9% (1.2-32.9)	16.8% (13.8-19.9)	17.7% (15.7-19.7)
Ten or more days of poor mental health	17.4% (15.0-20.3)	22.4% (17.4-27.2)	19.5% (12.9-26.0)	17.3% (1.3-25.5)	17.3% (14.4-20.2)	17.6% (15.5-19.6)
Ten or more days of poor mental or physical health kept from usual activities	23.3% (19.7-27.6)	20.5% (14.8-26.2)	24.4% (14.0-34.9)	29.1% (12.8-45.3)	20.3% (16.1-24.5)	22.9% (19.8-25.9)
Used marijuana/hashish in the last 30 days	16.4% (13.8-19.3)	20.3% (15.6-25.1)	21.5% (14.0-29.0)	11.0% (1.9-11.5)	18.7% (15.4-21.9)	17.4% (15.3-19.4)
Used other illegal drugs in the last 30 days	1.7% (0.8-2.6)	1.6% (0.1-3.1)	0.0% --	2.3% (0.0-4.5)	3.1% (1.6-4.6)	1.9% (1.2-2.6)
Used prescription drugs/pain killer to get high in last 30 days	0.6% (0.5-1.1)	1.0% (0.0-2.2)	0.9% (0.0-2.2)	0.0% (0.0-2.9)	0.9% (0.4-1.5)	1.0% (0.2-1.1)
Current tobacco cigarette smokers	14.9% (12.7-17.5)	17.4% (13.0-21.8)	23.1% (15.7-30.4)	17.0% (3.9-26.5)	15.7% (12.7-18.8)	15.7% (13.8-17.5)
Difficulty doing errands alone because of physical, mental, or emotional condition	8.7% (6.8-10.9)	10.6% (6.9-14.3)	7.2% (3.3-11.1)	10.8% (0.0-25.2)	7.5% (5.5-9.5)	8.6% (7.1-10.2)
Serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions because of physical, mental, or emotional condition	13.0% (10.8-15.4)	13.9% (9.8-18.0)	14.4% (8.2-20.7)	9.4% (1.5-16.9)	11.1% (8.5-13.7)	12.8% (11.0-14.6)

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).

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Table 3a. Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000 of Mental Health-Related Emergency Department Encounters by Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Schizophrenia	Anxiety	Depression	Bipolar	PTSD	Suicidal Ideation
Clark	497.7 (488.7-506.6)	1,523.8 (1,508.2-1,539.4)	700.1 (689.6-710.6)	687.2 (676.7-697.8)	114.0 (109.7-118.3)	608.3 (598.3-618.3)
Northern	107.4 (92.2-122.5)	1,161.5 (1,113.9-1,209.1)	439.7 (411.1-468.3)	370.1 (342.6-397.7)	90.4 (76.9-104.0)	339.7 (312.4-367.0)
Rural	97.3 (77.9-116.8)	1,196.3 (1,125.8-1,266.8)	768.8 (713.1-824.6)	249.4 (218.3-280.6)	171.6 (143.9-199.2)	246.3 (214.0-278.7)
Southern	279.6 (234.1-325.1)	1,114.7 (1,030.8-1,198.5)	437.3 (384.7-489.8)	347.7 (298.2-397.1)	116.5 (87.7-145.2)	538.7 (474.9-602.5)
Washoe	224.0 (210.6-237.5)	1,318.4 (1,286.0-1,350.7)	701.1 (677.8-724.4)	345.9 (329.3-362.5)	88.2 (79.8-96.6)	406.4 (388.1-424.6)
Nevada	420.5 (413.4-427.7)	1,457.5 (1,444.3-1,470.6)	681.9 (673.0-690.8)	602.0 (593.5-610.5)	110.6 (107-114.3)	553.3 (545.0-561.5)

Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 age-specific population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

Table 3b. Crude Rates per 100,000 of Mental Health-Related Emergency Department Encounters by Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Schizophrenia	Anxiety	Depression	Bipolar	PTSD	Suicidal Ideation
Clark	496.1 (487.1-505.0)	1,541.1 (1,525.3-1,556.9)	716.0 (705.2-726.8)	686.0 (675.5-696.5)	113.9 (109.6-118.2)	601.1 (591.3-611.0)
Northern	98.4 (84.5-112.3)	1,165.3 (1,117.5-1,213.1)	462.1 (432.0-492.1)	353.9 (327.6-380.3)	86.7 (73.7-99.7)	302.9 (278.6-327.3)
Rural	99.9 (79.9-119.9)	1,150.8 (1,082.9-1,218.6)	759.5 (704.4-814.6)	256.0 (224.0-287.9)	154.0 (129.2-178.8)	232.0 (201.6-262.5)
Southern	237.6 (199.0-276.3)	1,112.8 (1,029.1-1,196.5)	435.9 (383.5-488.3)	311.4 (267.1-355.7)	103.2 (77.8-128.7)	449.0 (395.9-502.2)
Washoe	221.5 (208.2-234.8)	1,326.2 (1,293.6-1,358.7)	720.3 (696.4-744.3)	345.7 (329.1-362.3)	88.1 (79.8-96.5)	395.7 (378.0-413.5)
Nevada	414.7 (407.6-421.7)	1,470.3 (1,457.0-1,483.5)	698.6 (689.5-707.8)	596.0 (587.6-604.5)	109.7 (106.0-113.3)	540.1 (532.1-548.2)

Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 4a. Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000 of Mental Health-Related Inpatient Admissions by Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Schizophrenia	Anxiety	Depression	Bipolar	PTSD	Suicidal Ideation
Clark	242.1 (236.0-248.3)	1,220.3 (1,206.6-1,234.0)	888.2 (876.5-900.0)	475.6 (467.0-484.2)	214.4 (208.5-220.2)	470.3 (461.6-479.0)
Northern	74.1 (61.9-86.3)	1,077.0 (1,032.8-1,121.1)	912.2 (871.0-953.4)	397.9 (369.6-426.3)	324.6 (298.0-351.3)	656.9 (618.8-695.1)
Rural	51.6 (37.0-66.2)	535.4 (489.8-581.0)	512.7 (467.6-557.8)	188.9 (160.9-216.8)	139.7 (114.7-164.7)	273.6 (239.4-307.8)
Southern	103.2 (76.8-129.5)	1,153.8 (1,079.8-1,227.9)	900.2 (832.8-967.7)	395.0 (344.4-445.6)	269.8 (228.1-311.5)	369.4 (318.1-420.8)
Washoe	201.4 (188.9-213.9)	892.1 (866.1-918.2)	900.8 (874.7-926.9)	303.4 (288.1-318.7)	232.3 (218.5-246.0)	628.9 (606.3-651.5)
Nevada	218.0 (212.9-223.0)	1,133.5 (1,122.2-1,144.8)	873.4 (863.5-883.3)	434.4 (427.3-441.5)	221.5 (216.4-226.7)	496.5 (488.8-504.2)

Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 age-specific population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

Table 4b. Crude Rates per 100,000 of Mental Health-Related Inpatient Admissions by Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Schizophrenia	Anxiety	Depression	Bipolar	PTSD	Suicidal Ideation
Clark	249.0 (242.7-255.4)	1,279.5 (1,265.1-1,293.9)	926.6 (914.4-938.9)	491.6 (482.7-500.5)	217.2 (211.2-223.1)	471.9 (463.2-480.7)
Northern	72.4 (60.5-84.3)	1,165.3 (1,117.5-1,213.1)	960.3 (916.9-1,003.7)	387.1 (359.5-414.6)	290.7 (266.8-314.6)	580.9 (547.1-614.6)
Rural	49.9 (35.8-64.1)	551.5 (504.5-598.4)	516.1 (470.7-561.5)	182.1 (155.1-209.1)	124.9 (102.5-147.2)	256.0 (224.0-287.9)
Southern	96.7 (72.0-121.4)	1,529.0 (1,430.9-1,627.1)	1,121.0 (1,037.0-1,205.0)	383.5 (334.4-432.6)	263.9 (223.1-304.6)	326.1 (280.8-371.4)
Washoe	206.6 (193.7-219.4)	936.2 (908.9-963.5)	950.5 (923.0-978.1)	314.6 (298.8-330.5)	227.5 (214.1-241.0)	615.4 (593.2-637.5)
Nevada	223.5 (218.3-228.7)	1,207.3 (1,195.3-1,219.3)	926.9 (916.3-937.4)	448.4 (441.1-455.7)	222.2 (217.0-227.3)	492.4 (484.7-500.1)

Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 5. Mental Health-Related Deaths Age-Adjusted Rates and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	White non-Hispanic	Black non-Hispanic	Native American/ Alaskan Native non-Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total
Clark	44.3 (40.9-47.8)	53.2 (43.0-63.4)	60.9 (12.2-109.7)	30.3 (23.2-37.4)	31.3 (24.7-37.8)	42.0 (39.3-44.8)
Northern	79.5 (69.1-89.9)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	26.7 (0.0-63.8)	47.7 (0.0-113.8)	39.7 (7.9-71.5)	74.8 (65.2-84.3)
Rural	39.0 (24.8-53.2)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	31.1 (0.0-74.2)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	22.7 (0.0-48.3)	36.2 (24.0-48.4)
Southern	32.6 (21.9-43.2)	73.7 (0.0-218.3)	38.6 (0.0-114.2)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	74.0 (1.5-146.5)	34.0 (23.7-44.3)
Washoe	78.3 (69.6-87.0)	106.5 (27.6-185.4)	154.5 (30.9-278.1)	67.6 (35.4-99.7)	45.9 (25.8-66.0)	75.4 (67.7-83.2)
Nevada	53.9 (50.9-56.9)	54.5 (44.4-64.6)	54.0 (28.3-79.7)	34.2 (27.1-41.3)	33.9 (27.8-39.9)	49.8 (47.4-52.3)

Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Rates are per 100,000 age-specific population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Table 6. Suicide Attempts and Suicides by Leading Method and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Suicide Attempts				Suicides		
	Emergency Department Encounters		Inpatient Admissions		Substance	Hanging/ Suffocation	Firearms/ Explosives
	Substance	Cutting	Substance	Cutting			
Clark	55.4 (52.4-58.4)	32.7 (30.4-35.0)	51.2 (48.3-54.1)	17.8 (16.1-19.5)	2.6 (2.0-3.3)	3.5 (2.7-4.2)	10.7 (9.4-12.0)
Northern	88.2 (75.1-101.4)	13.3 (8.2-18.4)	63.7 (52.6-74.9)	8.2 (4.2-12.2)	2.5 (0.3-4.8)	7.1 (3.4-10.9)	24.5 (17.6-31.4)
Rural	45.8 (32.3-59.3)	18.7 (10.1-27.4)	25.0 (15.0-35.0)	4.2 (0.1-8.2)	5.2 (0.6-9.8)	5.2 (0.6-9.8)	28.1 (17.5-38.7)
Southern	67.2 (46.6-87.8)	36.1 (21.0-51.1)	42.6 (26.2-59.0)	9.8 (2.0-17.7)	1.6 (0.0-4.9)	4.9 (0.0-10.5)	27.9 (14.6-41.1)
Washoe	57.5 (50.7-64.2)	4.4 (2.5-6.2)	48.1 (41.9-54.3)	9.5 (6.8-12.3)	3.9 (2.2-5.7)	4.1 (2.3-6.0)	13.3 (10.0-16.5)
Nevada	57.8 (55.2-60.4)	27.1 (25.3-28.9)	50.7 (48.3-53.2)	15.4 (14.1-16.8)	2.9 (2.3-3.4)	3.9 (3.2-4.6)	12.8 (11.6-14.0)

Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing, Inpatient Billing, and the Electronic Death Registry System.

Rates are per 100,000 population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

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Table 7. Suicide Crude Rates by Age, Race/Ethnicity and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

	Clark	Northern	Rural	Southern	Washoe	Nevada
Age Group						
Less than 15	0.9 (0.0-1.7)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	11.7 (0.0-34.7)	2.2 (0.0-5.3)	1.1 (0.3-2.0)
15-24	19.2 (14.5-24.0)	18.1 (0.4-35.7)	105.5 (45.8-165.2)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	20.4 (9.7-31.1)	21.3 (17.0-25.7)
25-34	20.0 (15.2-24.7)	35.0 (12.1-57.8)	26.8 (3.3-50.3)	39.0 (0.0-83.2)	25.5 (13.4-37.7)	22.2 (17.9-26.5)
35-44	20.5 (15.6-25.4)	76.0 (37.5-114.5)	87.2 (30.2-144.2)	17.1 (0.0-50.7)	23.8 (11.7-35.8)	25.1 (20.3-29.8)
45-54	27.2 (21.4-33.0)	43.7 (17.9-69.5)	38.2 (0.8-75.5)	29.3 (0.0-69.9)	28.7 (14.6-42.7)	28.7 (23.5-33.9)
55-64	22.7 (17.1-28.3)	30.5 (9.4-51.7)	41.5 (5.1-77.8)	65.6 (13.1-118.1)	23.4 (11.2-35.7)	25.0 (20.0-30.0)
65-74	17.9 (12.0-23.7)	45.4 (19.7-71.0)	31.3 (0.0-66.7)	22.0 (0.0-52.4)	28.5 (13.6-43.4)	22.7 (17.2-28.1)
75-84	33.1 (21.8-44.4)	85.3 (37.0-133.5)	69.6 (0.0-148.5)	70.4 (1.4-139.5)	48.3 (19.8-76.9)	43.0 (32.4-53.7)
85+	50.4 (24.9-75.9)	79.6 (1.6-157.5)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	161.2 (0.0-343.5)	119.5 (36.7-202.4)	67.3 (43.2-91.4)
Race/Ethnicity						
White non-Hispanic	27.0 (23.8-30.2)	44.9 (34.1-55.6)	48.6 (31.7-65.4)	42.7 (24.0-61.5)	32.5 (26.0-38.9)	31.1 (28.3-33.8)
Black non-Hispanic	17.3 (12.3-22.2)	88.6 (0.0-211.3)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	16.9 (12.2-21.6)
Native American/Alaskan Native non-Hispanic	6.4 (0.0-19.1)	16.9 (0.0-50.1)	37.8 (0.0-90.1)	51.6 (0.0-152.7)	26.8 (0.0-64)	19.4 (5.0-33.7)
Asian/Pacific Islander non- Hispanic	11.0 (7.1-14.8)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	77.5 (0.0-229.5)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	5.7 (0.0-13.6)	10.4 (6.9-14.0)
Hispanic	10.2 (8.0-12.4)	11.9 (0.2-23.5)	27.1 (5.4-48.8)	10.9 (0.0-32.2)	7.0 (2.4-11.6)	10.2 (8.2-12.2)
Total	18.2 (16.5-20.0)	38.2 (29.6-46.9)	42.7 (29.6-55.7)	36.1 (21.0-51.1)	23.0 (18.7-27.3)	21.2 (19.7-22.8)

Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

Rates are per 100,000 population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

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Table 8a. Drug-Related Emergency Department Encounters Age-Adjusted Rates by Drug Type and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Opioids	Heroin	Cocaine	Methamphetamine	Marijuana	Hallucinogens
Clark	174.9 (169.7-180.2)	11.1 (9.8-12.5)	63.3 (60.1-66.5)	476.9 (468.1-485.8)	334.1 (326.8-341.5)	20.6 (18.8-22.5)
Northern	130.1 (114.3-146.0)	12.4 (7.1-17.8)	19.5 (12.6-26.4)	276.9 (252.1-301.7)	332.8 (306.0-359.5)	6.5 (2.7-10.3)
Rural	115.6 (94.4-136.8)	13.7 (6.3-21.2)	16.0 (7.3-24.7)	231.0 (200.2-261.8)	325.5 (288.9-362.0)	12.3 (4.7-19.9)
Southern	264.0 (224.5-303.6)	10.2 (2.0-18.3)	42.9 (25.0-60.8)	479.8 (421.8-537.8)	366.4 (314.4-418.4)	18.9 (5.8-31.9)
Washoe	166.1 (154.6-177.6)	17.2 (13.4-21)	28.3 (23.6-33.0)	442.3 (423.1-461.5)	216.7 (203.4-229.9)	5.3 (3.2-7.3)
Nevada	171.3 (166.8-175.8)	12.2 (11.0-13.4)	53.7 (51.2-56.2)	454.8 (447.3-462.2)	317.3 (311.2-323.5)	17.2 (15.8-18.7)

Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 age-specific population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

Table 8b. Drug-Related Emergency Department Encounters Crude Rates by Drug Type Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Opioids	Heroin	Cocaine	Methamphetamine	Marijuana	Hallucinogens
Clark	178.3 (172.9-183.6)	11.1 (9.8-12.4)	64.7 (61.5-68.0)	466.9 (458.2-475.5)	333.4 (326.1-340.8)	20.3 (18.5-22.1)
Northern	131.6 (115.5-147.6)	10.7 (6.1-15.3)	15.8 (10.2-21.4)	244.3 (222.4-266.2)	303.4 (279.1-327.8)	5.6 (2.3-8.9)
Rural	118.6 (96.8-140.4)	13.5 (6.2-20.9)	13.5 (6.2-20.9)	224.7 (194.8-254.7)	317.3 (281.7-353.0)	10.4 (4.0-16.9)
Southern	280.2 (238.2-322.2)	9.8 (2.0-17.7)	36.1 (21.0-51.1)	431.0 (378.9-483.1)	313.0 (268.6-357.4)	13.1 (4.0-22.2)
Washoe	166.5 (155.0-178.1)	16.6 (13.0-20.2)	28.6 (23.8-33.4)	424.8 (406.4-443.2)	213.6 (200.6-226.7)	5.2 (3.2-7.2)
Nevada	174.1 (169.5-178.6)	12.0 (10.8-13.2)	54.4 (51.8-56.9)	440.5 (433.2-447.8)	313.7 (307.5-319.8)	16.7 (15.3-18.1)

Source: Hospital Emergency Department Billing.

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Table 9a. Drug-Related Inpatient Admissions Age-Adjusted Rates by Drug Type and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Opioids	Heroin	Cocaine	Methamphetamine	Marijuana	Hallucinogens
Clark	241.7 (235.6-247.8)	3.1 (2.4-3.8)	68.4 (65.2-71.6)	413.5 (405.4-421.7)	508.9 (499.9-517.8)	12.2 (10.8-13.6)
Northern	275.0 (252.7-297.4)	2.1 (0.0-4.2)	22.2 (15.3-29.1)	358.5 (330.4-386.6)	386.2 (357.9-414.4)	6.6 (2.7-10.6)
Rural	110.1 (89.5-130.7)	3.5 (0.1-6.9)	15.4 (7.0-23.7)	178.6 (151.6-205.6)	213.8 (183.4-244.2)	7.3 (1.5-13.2)
Southern	157.2 (128.2-186.2)	3.7 (0.0-8.9)	24.5 (13.5-35.5)	294.4 (250.9-337.9)	373.7 (22.7)	4.4 (0.0-10.4)
Washoe	297.8 (282.6-312.9)	2.7 (1.3-4.2)	27.4 (22.7-32.1)	378.7 (361.4-396.1)	277.8 (263.1-292.5)	3.8 (2.1-5.5)
Nevada	245.7 (240.5-251.0)	3.0 (2.4-3.6)	56.9 (54.4-59.4)	397.1 (390.2-404.0)	455.9 (448.6-463.2)	10.4 (9.3-11.5)

Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

Rates are per 100,000 age-specific population, provided by the state demographer, Vintage 2020.

Categories are not mutually exclusive.

Table 9b. Drug-Related Inpatient Admissions Crude Rates by Drug Type and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	Opioids	Heroin	Cocaine	Methamphetamine	Marijuana	Hallucinogens
Clark	255.4 (249.0-261.8)	3.2 (2.4-3.9)	73.4 (70.0-76.8)	416.1 (407.9-424.3)	522.7 (513.5-531.9)	12.2 (10.8-13.6)
Northern	297.3 (273.2-321.5)	2.0 (0.0-4.0)	20.4 (14.1-26.7)	319.3 (294.2-344.3)	366.2 (339.4-393.0)	5.6 (2.3-8.9)
Rural	114.5 (93.1-135.8)	4.2 (0.1-8.2)	13.5 (6.2-20.9)	174.8 (148.4-201.2)	197.7 (169.6-225.8)	6.2 (1.2-11.2)
Southern	185.2 (151.0-219.3)	3.3 (0.0-7.8)	31.1 (17.1-45.1)	288.4 (245.8-331.0)	386.8 (337.4-436.1)	3.3 (0.0-7.8)
Washoe	307.6 (291.9-323.2)	2.7 (1.2-4.2)	27.6 (22.9-32.3)	379.8 (362.4-397.2)	283.3 (268.3-298.3)	3.9 (2.2-5.7)
Nevada	260.7 (255.1-266.2)	3.0 (2.4-3.7)	60.9 (58.2-63.6)	396.5 (389.7-403.4)	466.1 (458.7-473.6)	10.3 (9.2-11.4)

Source: Hospital Inpatient Billing.

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Table 10. Drug- and Alcohol-Related Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Race/Ethnicity and Region, Nevada Residents, 2021.

Region	White non-Hispanic	Black non-Hispanic	Native American/ Alaskan Native non-Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total
Clark	71.3 (66.6-76.1)	74.7 (64.4-84.9)	114.9 (63.2-166.5)	11.5 (7.6-15.3)	35.4 (31.0-39.8)	54.6 (51.8-57.5)
Northern	91.7 (78.4-104.9)	102.6 (0.0-244.7)	115.7 (23.1-208.3)	23.0 (0.0-68.0)	61.3 (32.2-90.4)	86.5 (74.8-98.2)
Rural	78.8 (58.4-99.3)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	116.6 (23.3-209.9)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	47.5 (18.1-77.0)	72.9 (56.2-89.7)
Southern	89.9 (65.9-113.9)	77.1 (0.0-228.2)	43.8 (0.0-129.8)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	65.4 (8.1-122.7)	83.3 (62.4-104.2)
Washoe	101.8 (91.3-112.2)	170.3 (97.4-243.1)	150.7 (61.6-239.7)	17.7 (4.6-30.8)	43.5 (31.1-55.9)	85.0 (77.2-92.9)
Nevada	80.3 (76.3-84.3)	79.0 (68.7-89.2)	117.7 (82.5-152.9)	12.1 (8.4-15.8)	38.0 (33.9-42.1)	62.8 (60.2-65.5)

Source: Electronic Death Registry System.

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