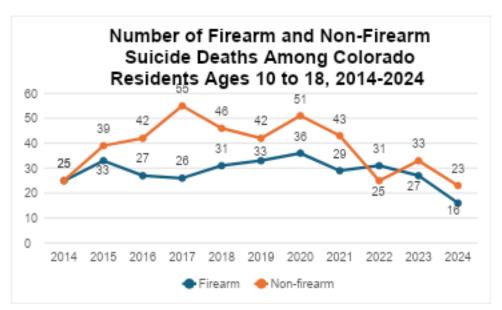
## Colorado's Youth Suicide Numbers Show a Substantial Decline

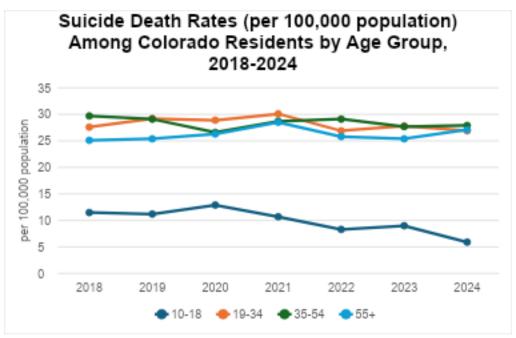
CPR recently reported that Colorado's suicide rate among 10-to-18-year-olds declined in 2024 to its lowest level since 2007, citing data from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). In 2024, there were 39 suicide deaths in that age group, fewer than half the number in the peak year of 2020 when 87 young people died by suicide. CDPHE credits evidence-based programming, statewide partnerships, and prevention programs. For more information about the state's suicide prevention efforts: (Office of Suicide Prevention | Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment).

Although the pattern differed, the number of both firearm and non-firearm suicides among 10-to-18-year-olds declined after 2020, and both were fewer than half in 2024 compared to 2020.



Source: Colorado Health Information Dataset (COHID) from the Vital Statistics Program, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Based on death certificates alone. Deaths were among Colorado residents whether the event occurred inside or outside Colorado. https://cdphe.colorado.gov/colorado-death-statistics

The 10-to-18-year-old population had the lowest suicide rates and was the only age group to show sharp decline, although the rates for 19-34-year-olds showed some decrease after peaking in 2021.



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