

## Macro Roundup Article

**Headline:** [Young Americans Are Dying at Alarming Rates, Reversing Years of Progress](#)

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**Tweet:** The mortality rate for young Americans (aged 1-19) is at the highest level in 15 years, with boys' mortality 2x of girls.

**Summary:** Between 2019 and 2020, the overall mortality rate for ages 1 to 19 rose by 10.7%, and increased by an additional 8.3% the following year, according to an analysis of federal death statistics led by Steven Woolf, director emeritus of the Center on Society and Health at Virginia Commonwealth University. Older children and teenagers, ages 10 to 19, accounted for most of the increase in death rates for young people. Boys, whose mortality rates are roughly twice those of girls, saw their death rates worsen to a slightly greater degree during the pandemic, Woolf found. The overall findings held true when researchers excluded those ages 18 and 19, who were included in the broader research because such government data is grouped in five-year age bands.

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