

0.a. Goal

Goal 3: Ensure healthy lives and enhance well-being for people of all ages

0.b. Target

Target 3.3: By 2030, reduce the mortality rate before age 70 by 20-25% from non-communicable diseases (NCDs) through prevention and treatment, and improve mental and physical health (Goal 3.4 global)

0.c. Indicator

Indicator 3.3.2. Number of deaths by suicide per one hundred thousand people

0.d. Series

Suicide mortality rate [3.4.2] SH_STA_SCIDE

0.e. Metadata update

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2.a. Definition and concepts

Number of deaths by suicide per hundred thousand people is the average number of deaths by suicide per one hundred thousand people in a given year.

2.b. Unit of measure

per 100,000 people

2.c. Classifications

The list of administrative units in Vietnam issued together with the Prime Minister's Decision No. 124/2004/QĐ-TTg dated July 8, 2004 and the changes updated by the General Statistics Office to date December 31, 2019

3.a. Data sources

According to Circular 03:

6.1. Data source

- Population and housing census;
- Midterm Census of Population and Housing.

6.2. Collection method:

The norm is collected from the Population and Housing Census (10-year cycle), the mid-term population and housing census (5-year cycle). The Census and Census are both part of the National Statistical Survey Program, so there is a clear survey plan. When conducting an investigation, it is necessary to strictly comply with the provisions of the investigation plan.

* Current data source:

Periodic reports of medical facilities - Department of Health Environment Management, Ministry of Health

Investigate administrative records - Department of Health Environment Management, Ministry of Health

3.d. Data release calendar

5 years

3.e. Data providers

Ministry of Health

3.f. Data compilers

Ministry of Health

4.a. Rationale

Mental disorders occur in all regions and cultures of the world. The most common of these disorders are depression and anxiety, estimated to affect 1 out of 10 people. At worst, depression can lead to suicide. In 2012, there were an estimated 800,000 suicide deaths worldwide. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among young people aged 15-29, after road traffic accidents. Therefore, this is an important indicator to assess the state of mental disorders in modern society.

4.b. Comment and limitations

- Currently only data is available through the report of the Ministry of Health and reflects the number of deaths at health facilities, thus not fully reflecting the actual situation of death by suicide.
- There should be community investigations into causes of death in general and death from injury in particular (including suicide).
- Need to consult many different data sources: hospital, police, National Traffic Safety Committee...

4.c. Method of computation

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Công thức tính:

$$\text{Số người tử vong do tự tử trên một trăm nghìn dân} = \frac{\text{Số người tử vong do tự tử trong năm xác định}}{\text{Dân số trung bình trong cùng năm}} \times 100.000$$

5. Data availability and disaggregation

Annual data from 2014-2017, general data and sex disaggregated data

No data by age group and province/city directly under the Central Government

(Published source: 2020 national report on 5-year progress towards implementation of sustainable development goals. Data from the Ministry of Health)

6. Comparability/deviation from international standards

- This indicator corresponds to the SDG global indicator “3.4.2: Suicide mortality rate”. Internationally encourages the use of a birth and death registry to obtain data on the number of people who die by suicide during the year. Vietnam collects this indicator data through a statistical survey.

7. References and Documentation

- Circular No. 03/2019/TT-BKHĐT dated January 22, 2019 stipulating the set of statistical indicators for sustainable development of Vietnam;
- Decision No. 43/2016/QĐ-TTg dated October 17, 2016 of the Prime Minister promulgating the National Statistical Survey Program;
- <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/>