

Notes for Benchmark Idaho Resident Suicide Death Request

The list of ICD-10 codes included in suicide death category are: ICD-10: X60.0-X84.9 and Y87.0.

Analysis on the mechanism of death for suicides is done using the ICD-10 code given by the certifier. The categories and codes are listed below.

MECHANISM	ICD-10 CODE
Intentional self-harm by poisoning	X60.0-X69.9
Intentional self-harm by suffocation	X70-X70.9
Intentional self-harm by drowning and submersion	X71-X71.9
Intentional self-harm by discharge of firearms	X72-X74.9
Intentional self-harm by fire/hot object or substance	X76-X77.9
Intentional self-harm by cut/pierce	X78-X78.9
Intentional self-harm by struck by or against	X79-X79.9
Intentional self-harm by fall	X80-X80.9
Intentional self-harm by transport	X82-X82.9
Intentional self-harm by other specified, classifiable	X75-X75.9, X81-X81.9, U03.0
Intentional self-harm by other specified, not classifiable	X83-X83.9, Y87.0
Intentional self-harm by other, unspecified	X84-X84.9, U03*

*Beginning in 2001, NCHS introduced categories U01 and U03 for classifying and coding deaths due to acts of terrorism. They are not part of the ICD-10. Deaths classified to the terrorism categories are included in the 113 causes of death list in the categories of Assault (homicide) and Intentional self-harm (suicide). There were no deaths, from 2003 to 2007, for Intentional self-har (suicide) by terrorism.

Race and Hispanic origin of the decedent are reported separately on the Idaho death certificate. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. The number of deaths and death rates for Hispanics should be interpreted with caution. According to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Hispanic ethnicity is underreported on the death certificate, and there are inconsistencies in reporting Hispanic origin on the death certificate as compared with ethnicity on censuses, surveys, and birth certificates.

Numbers in parentheses are the industry code(s) based on the 1990 Industrial Classification System for industry categories which are a sub grouping of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. The industry code is completed on the death certificate by the Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics.

Source: Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (10/2009)