Suicide figures (ABS 2015)

Data in this document has been updated to reflect the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Catalogue 3303.0 Causes of Death, Australia, 2013 released Tuesday 31 March 2015.

For more information on this data visit the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au

Figure 1. Preliminary and Revised Suicide Rates (1989 – 2013)
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Figure 3. Age-standardised Suicide Rates, 1989-2013 (15 – 19 year olds)
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*Note – Statistics from 1989 – 1996 show data from those who are aged 75 or above.
Figure 16. Age-standardised Suicide Rates 1997-2013 (80 – 84 year olds)

*Note – Statistics available prior to 1997 only show data from 75 years plus age category. 1997 was the first year that the age category 80 – 84 was used.

Figure 17. Age-standardised Suicide Rates 1997-2013 (85+ year olds)
*Note – Statistics available prior to 1997 only show data from 75 or above. 1997 was the first year that the age category 85+ was used.

**ABS revisions to Causes of Death Data**

The ABS began a significant quality assurance process in 2010 to improve the quality of coding of deaths data. This new process has involved revising the Causes of Death data from 2006 by including any subsequently closed coronial cases that had failed to reach a conclusion ahead of the original ABS cut off period for that year.

In 2015, a final revision of 2011 data and a first revision of 2012 data took place. ABS has now also completed the process with final data for 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. The Figures below show that for both males and females, in every age group, the revised rates (published by ABS in 2015) are all slightly increased relative to the previously released preliminary rates.

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**Figure 18. Preliminary and Final Revision of Suicide Rates, 2011**
Figure 19. Preliminary and First Revision of Suicide Rates, 2012