

# 2008

## Injury Deaths to Massachusetts Adults Ages 45-64 Years

In 2008, there were **840** injury deaths to adults ages 45-64, a rate of **48.0** deaths for every 100,000 adults this age. Poisoning, which includes drug overdoses, was the leading cause of injury death for this age group (45%) followed by suffocation/hanging.

INJURY CAUSE	INJURY INTENT					Total Count	Percent of Total Count	Crude Rate per 100,000
	Unintentional	Intentional		Undetermined	Other & Legal			
		Suicide	Homicide					
Cut/pierce	0	9	11	0	0	20	2.4	1.1
Drowning/submersion	12	4	0	6		22	2.6	1.3
Fall	65	2	0	0		67	8.0	3.8
Fire/burn	19	2	0	0		21	2.5	1.2
Firearms	0	40	8	2	1	51	6.1	2.9
Machinery	1					1	0.1	--
Natural/environmental	4					4	0.5	--
Poisoning	298	59	0	22	0	379	45.1	21.6
Struck by, against	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Suffocation/hanging	32	85	0	0		117	13.9	6.7
Transport Injuries:	105	2	0	0	0	107	12.7	6.1
<i>Motor vehicle traffic-related</i>	89					89	10.6	5.1
<i>Occupant</i>	5					5	0.6	0.3
<i>Motorcyclist</i>	20					20	2.4	1.1
<i>Pedal cyclist</i>	4					4	0.5	--
<i>Pedestrian</i>	23					23	2.7	1.3
<i>Other person</i>	0					0	0.0	0.0
<i>Unspecified person</i>	37					37	4.4	2.1
<i>Pedal cyclist, other</i>	4					4	0.5	--
<i>Pedestrian, other</i>	3					3	0.4	--
<i>Other land transport</i>	7	2	0	0	0	9	1.1	0.5
<i>Other transport</i>	2					2	0.2	--
Other specified & classifiable	5	4	0	0	0	9	1.1	0.5
Other specified, not classifiable	7	2	1	4	0	14	1.7	0.8
Unspecified	8	2	7	5	0	22	2.6	1.3
Adverse Effects						6	0.7	0.3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>48.0</b>
<i>Injury Death Rate by Intent</i>	31.7	12.0	1.5	2.2	--	n/a	n/a	n/a

Source: Registry of Vital Records and Statistics, Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

—Rates are per 100,000 residents. Rates provided here are age-specific. Rates are not calculated on counts of less than five, and those based on counts less than twenty may be unstable.

—Categories and groupings are based on a modified version of the CDC's "Recommended framework of E-code groupings for presenting injury mortality and morbidity data." This framework does not provide for intentionality for certain cause categories as indicated by gray shading. Injury subcategories are italicized.