

# MASSACHUSETTS VIOLENT DEATH REPORTING SYSTEM

## 2004

	HOMICIDE			SUICIDE			UNDETERMINED		
	Count	Percent	Rate per 100,000	Count	Percent	Rate per 100,000	Count	Percent	Rate per 100,000
<b>SEX</b>									
Male	152	83.1	4.9	344	79.6	11.1	443	70.9	14.3
Female	31	16.9	0.9	88	20.4	2.7	182	29.1	5.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9.7</b>
<b>RACE/ETHNICITY</b>									
White non-Hispanic	64	35.0	1.2	386	89.4	7.4	539	86.2	10.3
Black non-Hispanic	71	38.8	18.4	13	3.0	3.4	27	4.3	7.0
Asian	4	2.2	---	14	3.2	4.6	2	0.3	---
Hispanic	39	21.3	7.9	12	2.8	2.4	48	7.7	9.7
Other race/ethnicity	5	2.7	---	7	1.6	---	9	1.4	---
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9.7</b>
<b>AGE GROUP</b>									
0-14	10	5.5	0.8	3	0.7	---	6	1.0	0.5
15-24	79	43.2	9.3	54	12.5	6.3	76	12.2	8.9
25-34	40	21.9	4.5	67	15.5	7.6	113	18.1	12.8
35-44	26	14.2	2.5	95	22.0	9.2	227	36.3	22.0
45-54	15	8.2	1.6	97	22.5	10.4	154	24.6	16.4
55-64	8	4.4	1.2	48	11.1	7.4	40	6.4	6.1
65-74	3	1.6	---	28	6.5	7.1	3	0.5	---
75-84	2	1.1	---	26	6.0	8.1	3	0.5	---
85+	0	0.0	---	14	3.2	10.3	3	0.5	---
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9.7</b>
<b>MARITAL STATUS (Ages 15+)</b>									
Married	24	13.9	0.9	127	29.7	4.7	125	20.3	4.6
Never Married	131	75.7	8.7	186	43.5	12.3	348	56.4	23.0
Widowed	2	1.2	---	30	7.0	9.0	11	1.8	3.3
Divorced	16	9.2	3.7	85	19.9	19.7	133	21.6	30.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11.9</b>
<b>YEARS OF EDUCATION (Ages 25+)</b>									
0-8	6	6.4	2.9	19	5.1	9.2	17	3.2	8.2
9-12	62	66.0	4.1	227	60.9	15.1	392	73.0	26.1
13-16	23	24.5	1.2	97	26.0	5.1	107	19.9	5.6
17+	3	3.2	---	30	8.0	4.7	21	3.9	3.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>12.4</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9.7</b>

**Source: Massachusetts Violent Death Reporting System, Injury Surveillance Program, Massachusetts Department of Public Health**

• Data were extracted and compiled by the Injury Surveillance Program, Bureau for Health Information, Statistics, Research and Evaluation, MDPH, September 2008

• Analysis is based on a calendar year (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2004) and analyzed by ICD-10 code.

• Data is for occurrent deaths only. Massachusetts residents who died out-of-state are excluded from this analysis.

• Rates are not calculated on counts of less than five. Rates that are based on counts less than twenty may be unstable.

• Rates presented here are crude rates.

• Population data used to calculate rates are based on 2004 population estimates generated by the National Center for Health Statistics in collaboration with the US Census Bureau ([www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/dvs/popbridge/popbridge.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/dvs/popbridge/popbridge.htm)).

• For additional information and technical notes, please refer to the report, "Violent Deaths in Massachusetts: Surveillance Update 2004," which can be found at [www.mass.gov/dph/isp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/isp)

