

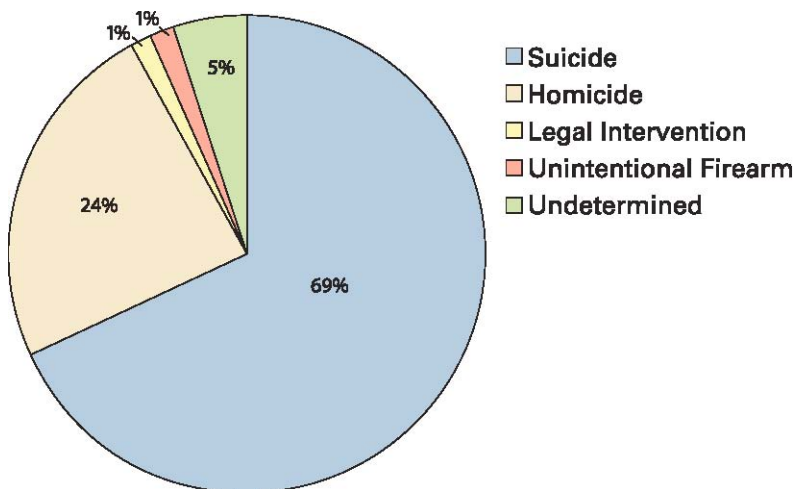
2005 Kentucky Violent Death Reporting System (KVDRS) Statistical Summary

The statistical summaries provided in this section describe the violent deaths that occurred in Kentucky in 2005. A total of 810 violent deaths occurred in Kentucky in 2005.

Of the 810, the majority are suicides (557), 204 are homicides or legal interventions, 12 are unintentional firearm and 38 are undetermined.

KVDRS Population

Nearly all (93%) of violent death occurring in Kentucky in 2005 is classified as suicide or homicide (Figure 2). Suicide is the most common manner (69%) of violent death in Kentucky. Homicide ranks second as cause for violent death, but only comprises a quarter of the total violent death. The remaining death is attributable to undetermined cause (only 5%) and legal intervention (police involvement) or unintentional firearm death (2%).



Nearly three times as many people in Kentucky die by suicide as by homicide.