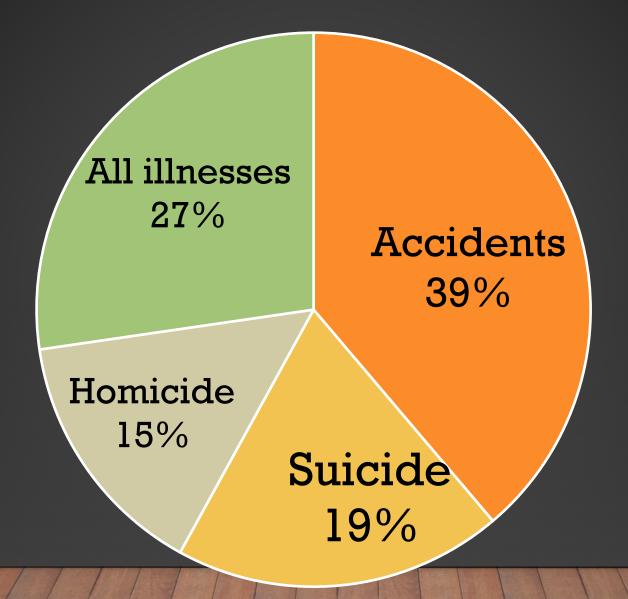


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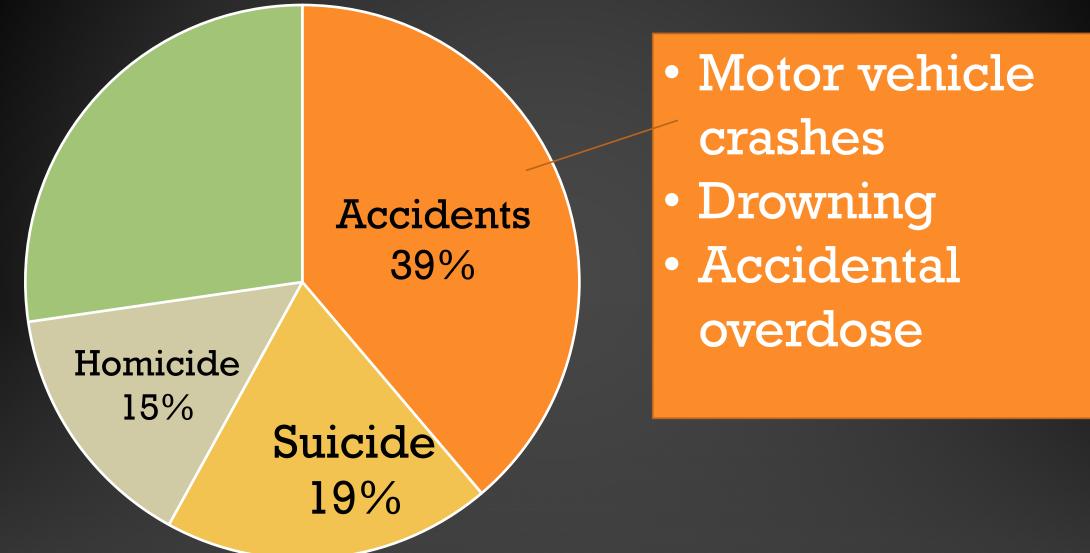
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- Motor vehicle crashes
- Suicide
- Homicide
- Drowning
- Accidental overdose
- Falls from High Places

#### Mental Health Facts CHILDREN & TEENS

Fact: 1 in 5 children ages 13-18 have, or will have a serious mental illness.<sup>1</sup>

11%

20% of youth ages 11% of youth have 13-18 live with a mental a mood disorder<sup>1</sup> health condition<sup>1</sup>

20%

10% of youth have a behavior or conduct disorder<sup>1</sup>

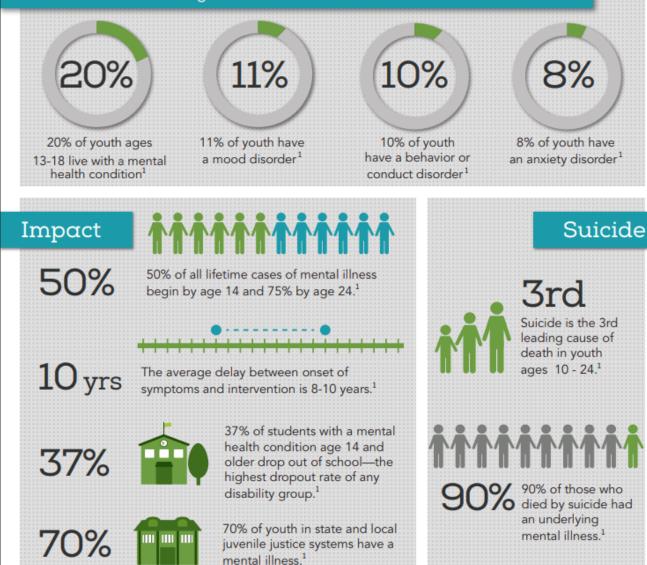
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8% of youth have an anxiety disorder<sup>1</sup>

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#### There Aren't Enough Mental Health Providers. And Kids Are Paying The Price.

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**By Catherine Pearson** 11/04/2019 12:44pm EST



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MAJOR MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS AMONG YOUTH ADHD Anxiety/Depression Suicide & Self-Harm Post-traumatic reactions Substance abuse

MAJOR MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS AMONG YOUTH Associated with wide variety of problems when untreated or undertreated



- School underachievement/failure
- Depression, self-harm, suicide
- Poor relationships, including marriages (divorces)
- Substance abuse
- ► Job problems

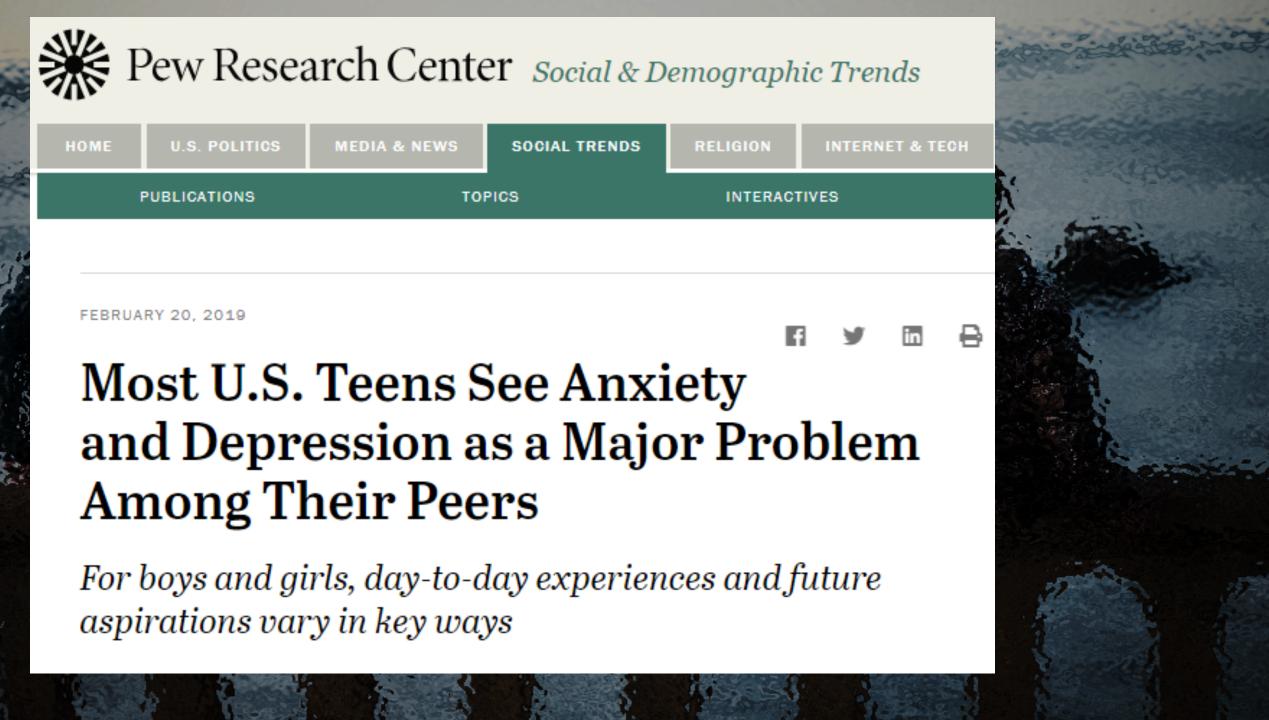
ADULT / ADOLESCENT COMPLICATIONS OF UNTREATED / UNDER TREATED ADHD Financial problems (Lower SES, underemployment & financial mismanagement)

► Incarcerations

Unplanned pregnancies
ACCIDENTS (driving, head injury)

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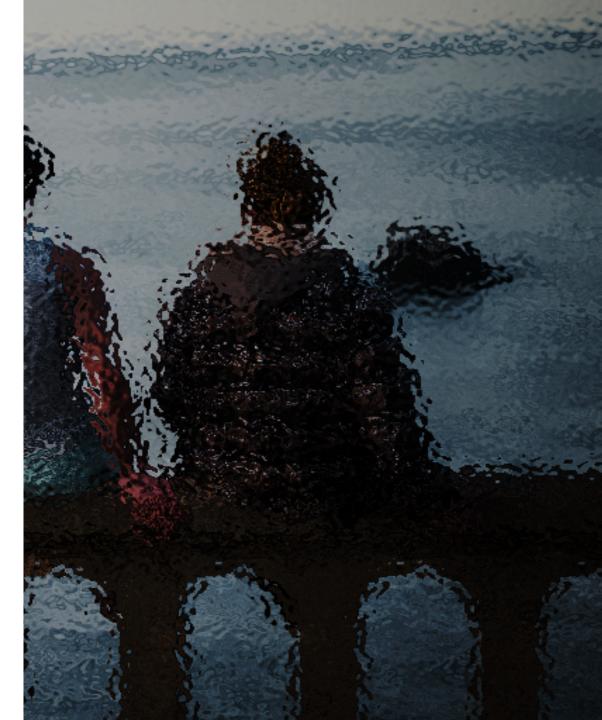


#### problems teens see among their peers

% of teens saying each of the following is a \_\_\_\_ among people their age in the community where they live

Major problem Minor problem Not a problem

Anxiety and depression	70			2	26	4	
Bullying	55		35			10	
Drug addiction	51		35			13	
Drinking alcohol	45		39		1	16	
Poverty	40		47			13	
Teen pregnancy	34	4	44 21		L		



- Sadness or hopelessness
- Irritability, anger, or hostility
- Tearfulness / frequent crying
- Withdrawal from friends & family
- Loss of interest in activities
- Poor school performance
- Changes in eating & sleeping habits

- ► Restlessness & agitation
- ► Feelings of worthlessness & guilt
- ► Lack of enthusiasm & motivation
- ► Fatigue or lack of energy
- Difficulty concentrating
- Unexplained aches & pains (headaches/stomach aches)
- Thoughts of death or suicide

#### SYMPTOMS OF DEPRESSION IN YOUTH

Problems at school Running away Drug & alcohol abuse Low self-esteem Smartphone/ Gaming addiction

- ► Feeling nervous or "on edge."
- Perfectionism with distress
- ► Unfounded or unrealistic fears.
- ► Trouble separating from parents.
- ► Sleep disturbance.
- ► Obsessive thoughts and/or compulsive behaviors.
- Trembling, sweating, shortness of breath, stomachaches, headaches, and/or muscle tension or other physical symptoms.

#### SYMPTOMS OF ANXIETY IN YOUTH

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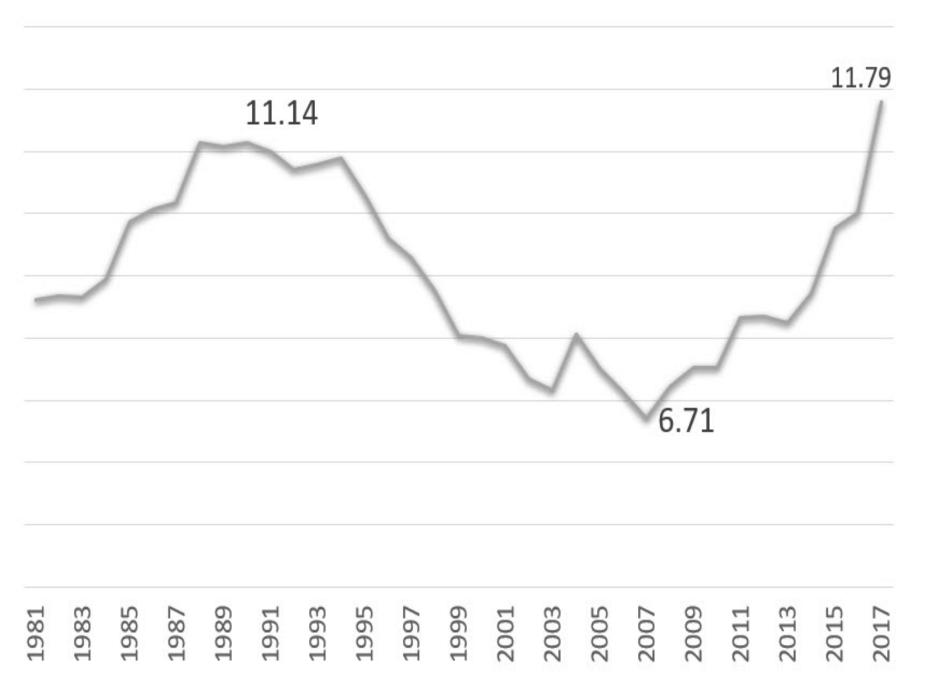
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## suicide

a national crisis



## Suicide rates have increased significantly in all ages in last 15 years.



Suicide Rates, 15 to 19-year-olds, 1981-2017.

Peaked in early 1990s; Dropped to low point In 2008.

In 10 years, 2007-2017, suicide rates in teenagers

increased 76%

#### Percent change in suicide rates, 2007 vs. 2017 15 to 19-year-olds

White males	Up 68%*
White females	Up 110%
Black males	Up 72%
Black females	Up 235%**

\* Up 22% just from 2016 to 2017! \*\*But still the lowest rate of these 4 groups



Major contributors to youth suicide **Clinical Depression** Severe Anxiety Substance Abuse/Addiction Eating Disorders Alienation from Family, School, Friends (a lack of *belonging*) Bullying (as a trigger)

Major risk factors for suicide Family conflict Mental disorders **Previous** attempts **Physical illness** Social isolation Unemployment Others

## Most Common Method

Firearms 50%

## Accept that no person is immune to mental illness.

- PROACTIVELY ask your child/teen directly
  - if they ever have feelings of wanting to harm themselves
  - if they ever feel depressed
  - if they drink or use drugs
  - •?

## If your child needs mental health care, call your pediatrician.

If your child has a mental health issue (including ADHD), they should see a mental health professional regularly, if not frequently, even if they are doing well.

## **Urgent Matters**

- Pediatrician on-call
- •911/Emergency Room
- •PIRC
- •Crisis Center: (205) 323-7777



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90% of teens sleep with phones in their rooms

62 % of the teens use their smartphones after bedtime.

57 % use phones while in bed,

21% percent said they wake up if a text comes in.



#### THE PROBLEM WITH THIS....



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