



# Veterans and Suicide



**US MILITARY DEATHS SINCE 1999: 5,273**



**VETERAN SUICIDES SINCE 1999: 128,480**

# PTSD INVISIBLE WOUNDS OF WAR

1% Serve 99% Need  
to Support our  
Service Members and  
Veterans  
<http://www.ptsd.va.gov>

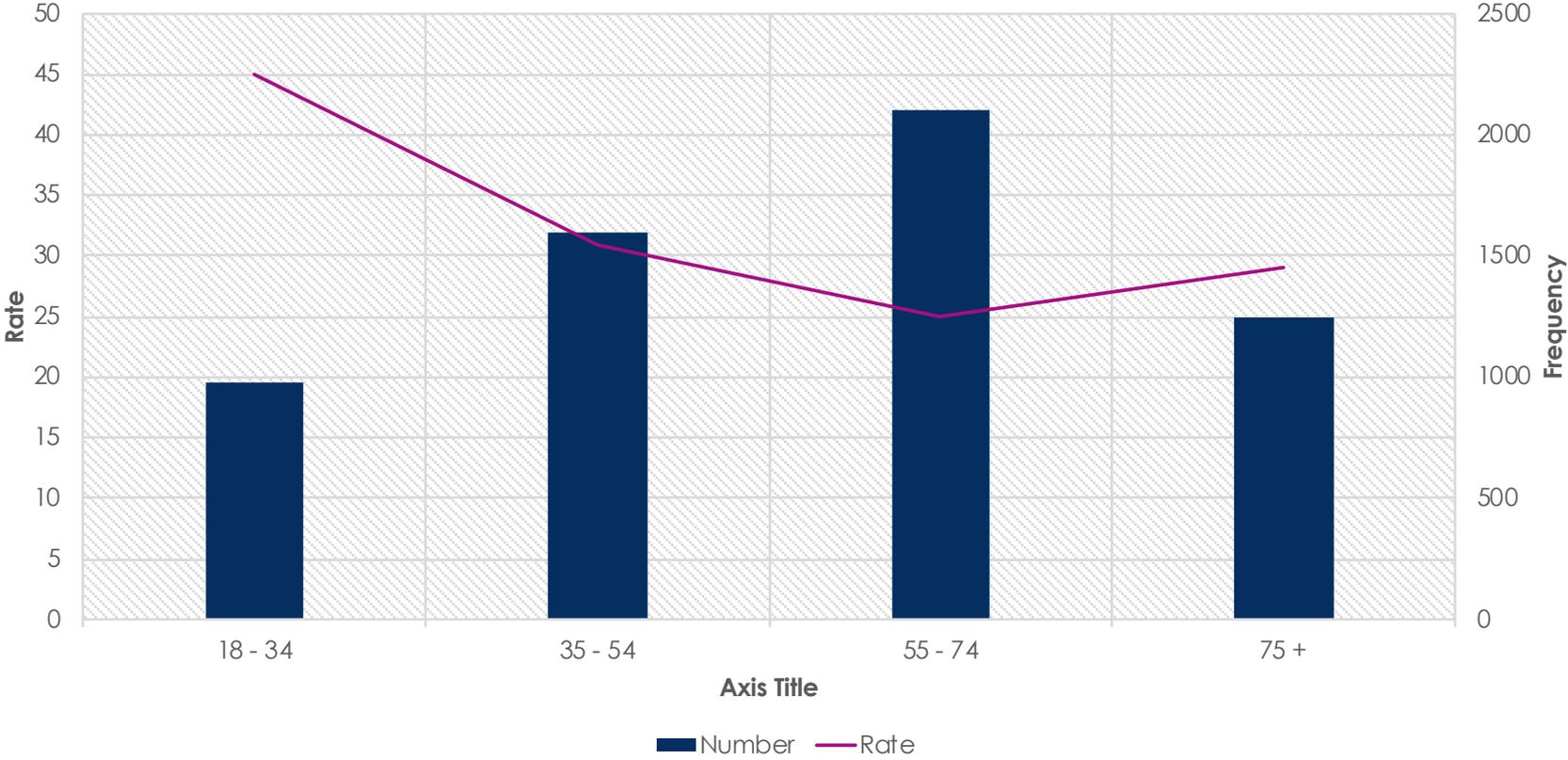
ANXIETY  
FLASHBACKS  
PAIN  
WITH  
ORAL  
SLEEPLESSNESS  
RECKLESS BEHAVIOR  
CONFESSION  
ANGER  
SUICIDAL  
DREAMS  
DEPRESSION  
EMOTIONALLY NUMB  
SOCIAL WITHDRAWAL  
RELATIONSHIP ISSUES  
RECKLESS BEHAVIOR  
HYPERVIGILANCE  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
SUICIDAL  
ANXIETY  
IRRITABILITY  
CHRONIC PAIN  
IRRITABILITY  
GUILT  
FLASHBACKS  
ANXIETY







# Number of Suicides 2016 and Rate of Suicides



 **COUNTABLE** COMMENTS

“I know first hand the VA tries to help veterans with depression. PTSD is a big factor and many do not realize you do not have to be a combat veteran to have it....

- Jim2423

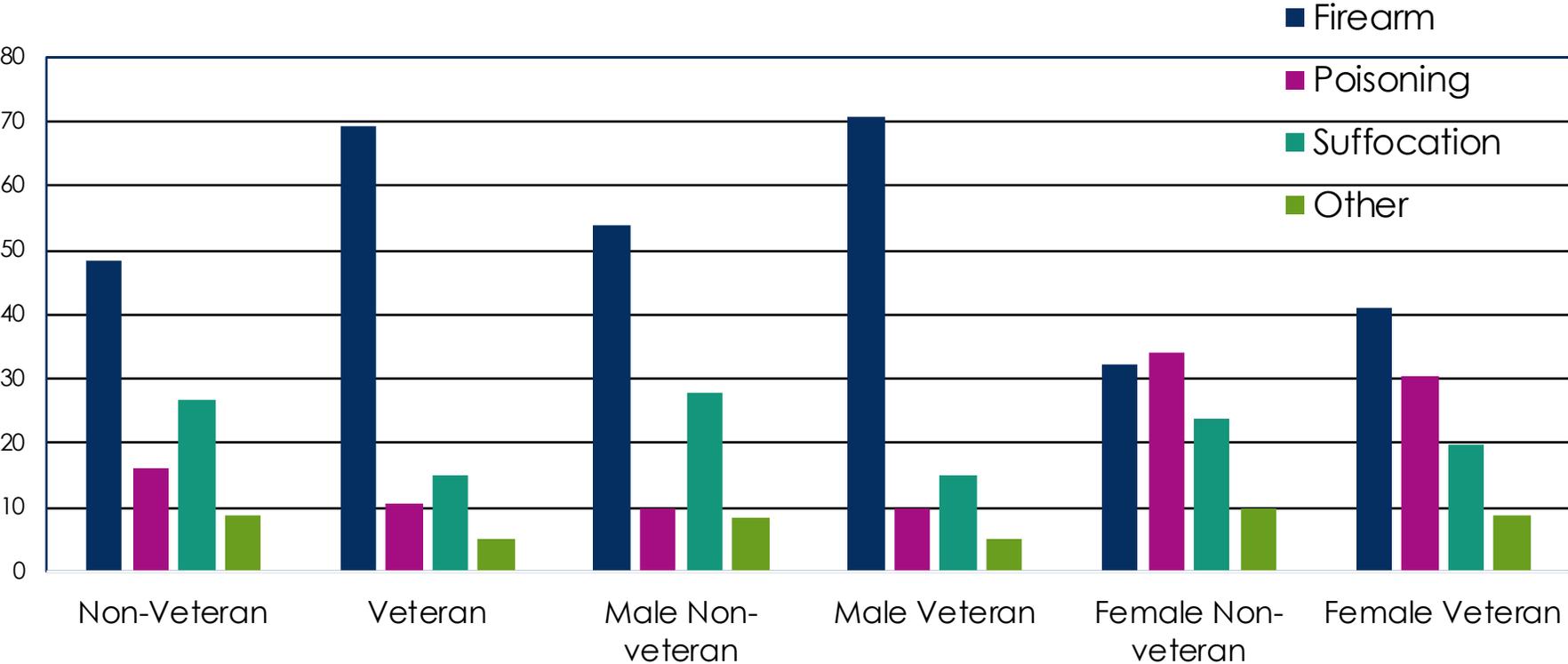


COMMENTED ON

[Suicide Among Young Veterans Is Increasing](#)

# METHOD OF SUICIDE BY VETERAN STATUS AND GENDER

Method for Committing Suicide



# Women Veteran Suicides

Annual Number of Suicides per 100,000 Lives  
from 2000 - 2010



Women ■ Men ■

\*Data Provided from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs



# **Suicide Among Veterans Is Rising. But Millions for Outreach Went Unspent by V.A.**



## AGE AT TIME OF SUICIDE

**69%**

ARE **AGE 50**  
**OR OLDER**



BRYAN PERRY/CNN

*Source: Veterans Administration suicide report, February 2013*





The military trains them to go to war

BUT

No one trains them to come home.

The *United States Military Veteran Suicide Epidemic* is an ongoing phenomenon regarding a reported high rate of suicide among U.S. military veterans, in comparison to the general public. ~ *Wikipedia*

