



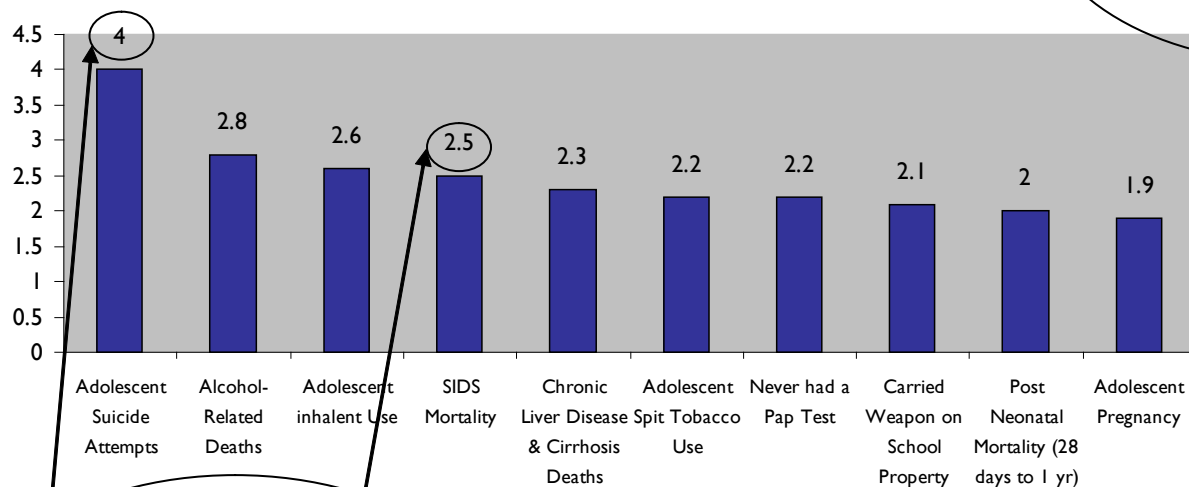
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Top Measured Health Disparities among Urban American Indians & Alaska Natives

Disparity Ratio:

Rate among Urban AI/AN compared with Rate among General Population



The disparity ratio is found by dividing the rate for urban AI/AN by the rate for the general population. For example, the rate of adolescent suicide attempts among urban AI/AN is 10.9% and the rate in the general population is 2.7%. 10.9% divided by 2.7% is 4.

In using this information you can say, for example, "Urban AI/AN youth are 4 times more likely to have attempted suicide (and required medical attention) than all urban youth combined."

Or, "The rate of deaths from SIDS among urban AI/AN nationwide is 2 1/2 times higher than the rate in the general population."

A recent analysis by the Urban Indian Health Institute examines certain public health indicators, based on Healthy People 2010 Objectives, to determine the top health disparities affecting our communities. This is a chart of those indicators that had the largest measured difference between the rate among AI/AN living in areas served by a urban Indian health organization and the rate among the general population in the same geographic areas. Approximately 99 out of 322 HP 2010 Objectives and sub-objectives were included in the analysis, as dataset for other objectives are either not yet available to us or they do not have sufficient numbers of urban AI/AN respondents for analysis.

The full report will be available in May. For additional reports from the UIHI please visit www.uihi.org/publications.

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