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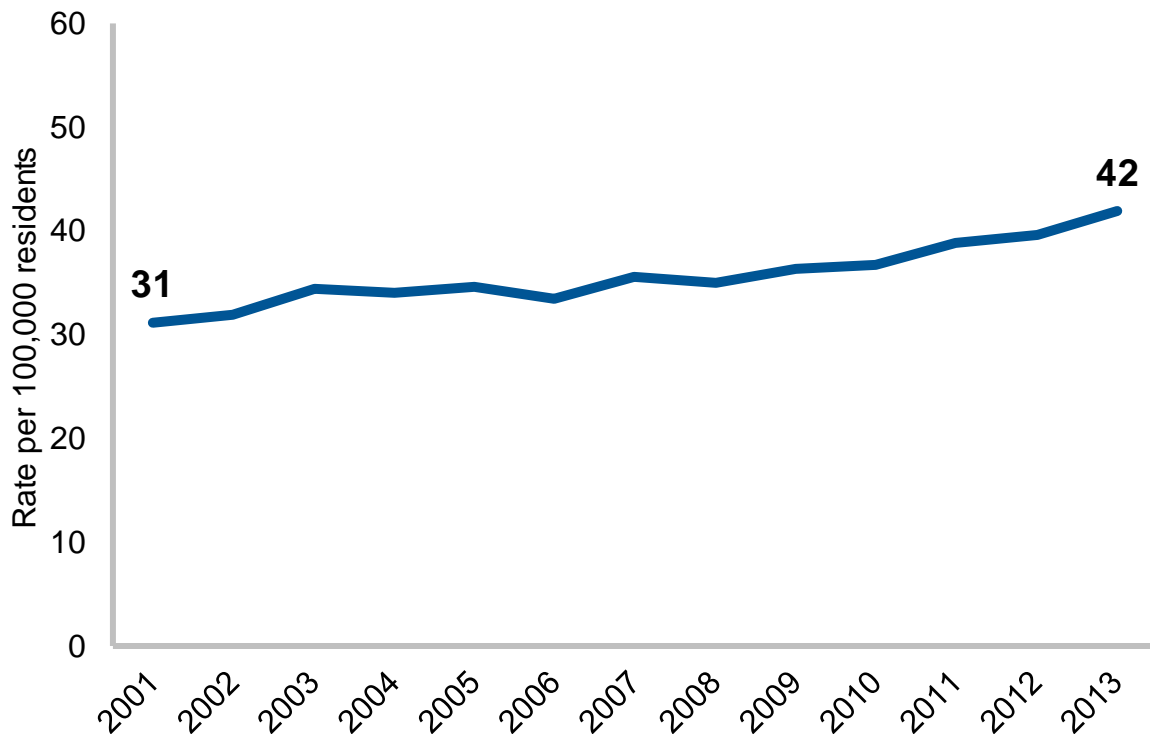
Alcohol-related deaths

Alcohol-related death is one measure of the impact of alcohol abuse in a population. This can be used in conjunction with alcohol-related diseases and injuries, and alcohol use data to estimate the overall impact of alcohol on the public’s health.

In 2013, 1,650 Oregonians (42 per 100,000 population) died from alcohol-related causes, including chronic diseases, acute poisoning, injury and perinatal causes. This represents a 34% increase in the overall rate of alcohol-related deaths since 2001 (Figure 1).

FIGURE 1

Alcohol-related deaths by year, Oregon

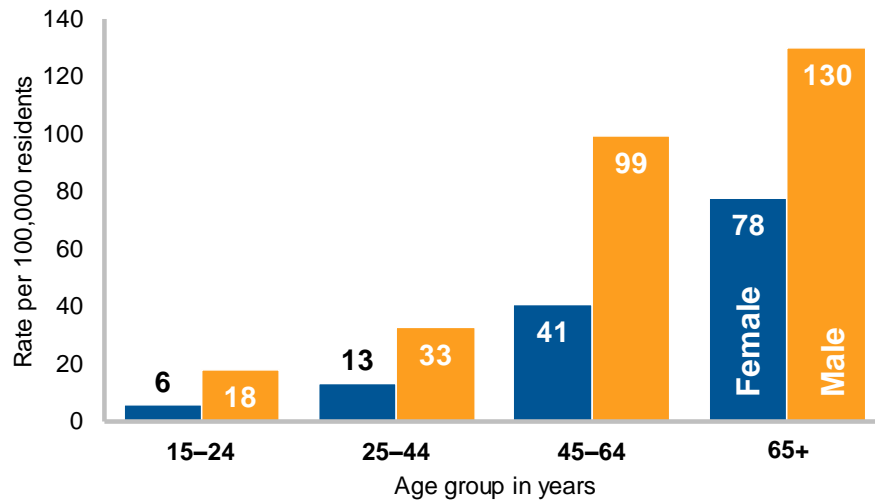


Source: Oregon Death Certificate Data

Alcohol-related death rates increase with age and are higher among males in all age groups (Figure 2). Overall, the age-adjusted rate of death from alcohol was twice as high in men (52 per 100,000) than women (24 per 100,000).

FIGURE 2

Alcohol-related deaths by age group and sex, Oregon, 2013

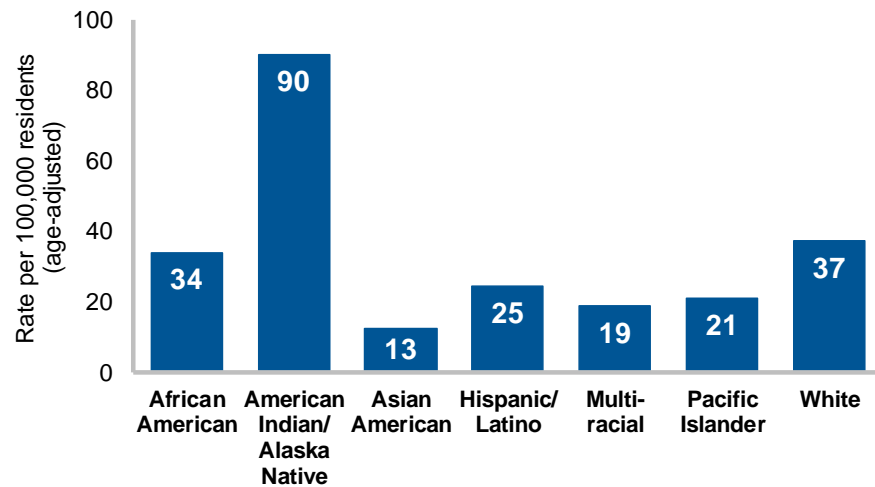


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Rates also vary by race/ethnicity (Figure 3). The 2010 to 2013 average age-adjusted rate among American Indian/Alaska Natives (90 per 100,000) was more than twice as high as any other group.

FIGURE 3

Alcohol-related deaths by race/ethnicity, Oregon, 2010–2013 average



Notes: All other groups exclude Hispanic ethnicity

Source: Oregon Death Certificate Data

Additional Resources: [Alcohol and Public Health, CDC](#)

About the Data: Data sources are Oregon Death Certificate Data and Oregon Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. Data on deaths due to alcohol were calculated using the CDC Alcohol-Related Disease Impact (ARDI) methodology. This methodology calculates an estimate of how many deaths from a specific list of causes can be directly or indirectly attributed to alcohol use. Population estimates used in calculating rates are from the U.S. Census Bureau.

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