

# Mental Health & Risk Factors in Doña Ana County and NM, 2017

Among Doña Ana County high school students...

girls



20%

have seriously considered suicide

12%

have attempted suicide

17%

have been sexually assaulted

14%

have experienced physical dating violence

boys



9%

6%

7%

9%

From 1999 to 2017 suicide deaths among youth 10-24 years-old increased

50%

(the largest increase among any age-group)



In 2017, there were

1,172

incidents of child abuse among children under 18 in the county

## Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)

include sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence in the home, parental incarceration, parental substance abuse, parental mental illness, and loss of a parents.

At least 1 out of every 6 children in New Mexico has multiple adverse childhood experiences.



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Notes: Child abuse is defined as physical, sexual abuse, and/or neglect. Seriously considering suicide is a form of suicidal ideation. Suicidal ideation refers to thoughts of suicide or wanting to take one's own life. For more information call-National Suicide Prevention Hotline: [1-800-273-8255](tel:1-800-273-8255)  
Sources: New Mexico Department of Health, Indicator-Based Information System (NM IBIS) and the New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey 2017 Doña Ana County, New Mexico Sentencing Commission February 2016 Report, Child Trends 2016 Report