Key Facts on Boys and Men in Washington State

Boys and men are struggling on many fronts, including education, health and family.



5%

Percentage point gender gap in the high school graduation rate; twice the Black/white disparity.

70%

Men account for 70% of the unsheltered population and 63% of people experiencing homelessness.

79%

The male share of deaths from suicide.

19%

Women in WA state are 19% more likely than men to earn a Bachelor's degree or higher.

13%

Among men under 65, 13% don't have health insurance, almost twice the rate of women (7%).

65%

35%

In 65% of divorced families, children spent less time with their father than their mother.

Of boys attain a high school

compared to 51% of girls.

GPA of 3.0 or higher,

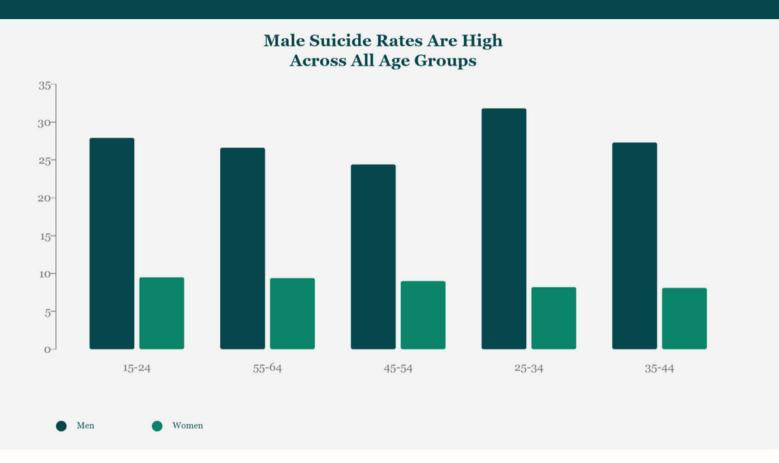
91%

The share of juvenile detentions accounted for by boys and young men.



Washington State: Male Mortality

Elevated suicide, drug overdose, and homicide rates among men, especially American Indian and Alaskan Native (AIAN) and Black men.



2.4

In Washington, AIAN men experience suicide rates 2.4 times higher than the state averge, and 1.5 times higher than the male average.

68%

Men account for 68% of all drug overdose deaths. The rate in Washington for men is twice that of women. The rates for AIAN and Black men are twice as high as for non-Hispanic white men.

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Compared to the state average, the risk of being a homicide victim is 5 times higher for Black men. Men overall face a greater likelihood of dying from homicide than women.

