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Suicide accounts for only a small proportion (1.6%) of deaths of persons of all ages. It accounts for a greater proportion of deaths from all causes in specific age groups (see graph below). For example, suicide deaths make up more than 20% of deaths from all causes, in each five year age group for males between 20 to 34 years. Similarly for females, suicide deaths comprise a much higher proportion of total deaths in younger age groups compared with older age groups

SUICIDE AS PROPORTION OF TOTAL DEATHS 2005

