# EDMONTON SUICIDE TRENDS 2010-2019

An Alberta Health Services report created in partnership with Living Hope: A Community Plan to Prevent Suicide in Edmonton







A Community Plan to Prevent Suicide in Edmonton Living Hope: A Community Plan to Prevent Suicide in Edmonton (2018-2022) is the community's collaborative response to suicide and is a reflection of a combined determination to translate intention into action. Living Hope was developed and implemented by dedicated individuals and mutliple governmental and community-based organizations who believe that suicide can be prevented in Edmonton.

The Edmonton Suicide Report represents an important step in working towards Living Hope's objective of enabling community initiatives and policies to be informed by the most current research and surveillance data.

We respectfully acknowledge that Edmonton area is located on the traditional meeting place and home for many Indigenous peoples, including the Cree, Anishinabe, Blackfoot, Stoney Nakota, Dene, Inuit and Métis peoples, as identified in Treaty 6 and Métis Region 4 territory.

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# Context

The data is derived from the AHS Injury Surveillance Dashboard. The AHS Dashboard gathers data throughout regional zones in Alberta. This report focuses in on the Local Geographic Areas within the City of Edmonton. The dashboard was most recently updated in August 2020. This most recent data is presented in this document.

#### Data sources are

- National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS)
- Inpatient Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)
- · Vital Statistics Deaths
- Health Link

The city of Edmonton is composed of 15 smaller regions called Local Geographic Areas (LGAs). LGAs were defined for the

purposes of planning, monitoring, and surveillance and deepdive studies, particularly for health planning (Alberta Health & Alberta Health Services, 2018). The slides are ordered from the LGA's with the highest crude rates to the those with the lowest crude rates.

Rates are available for emergency department/urgent care centre visits (ED/UCC), hospitalizations and mortality. These datasets are not linked. Therefore, the same person may be captured in all three datasets if their injuries resulted in an emergency department visit, hospitalization and subsequent death.

The data represents a person's home address. If a person went to an Emergency Department far away from their home, the data would still be collected in their home LGA.

# **Definitions**

**Crude Rate:** Crude rates adjust for different sizes of population by showing counts per 100,000 members of a population. This means if one population has one million people and another has only one thousand, showing a crude rate will better facilitate comparisons between populations.

Emergency Department/Urgent Care Centre Visits (ED/UCC): Attendance at ambulatory care service area during which service activities are provided to a service recipient.

**Hospitalizations:** Service recipient accepted for inpatient service in a hospital.

**ICD 10 Codes:** The International Classification of Diseases is a globally used diagnostic tool for epidemiology, health management and clinical purposes. For each record, ICD 10 diagnosis codes are used to determine suicide related injuries.

**Local Geographic Area (LGA):** The city of Edmonton is composed of 15 smaller regions called Local Geographic Areas (LGAs). LGAs were defined for the purposes of planning, monitoring, and surveillance and deep-dive studies, particularly for health planning (Alberta Health & Alberta Health Services, 2018).

**Mortality rate:** A measure of the rate of death in a population due to a certain health-related condition or concern.

**Suicide:** The act of taking one's own life on purpose. For reporting purposes, data includes ICD 10 diagnosis codes for intentional self-harm.

Unique Patients: Multiple visits for suicide-related injuries in the same year for the same person will be counted as 1 visit.

**Visits:** All visits will be counted regardless if the visits were for the same person within the same year.

Wherever possible, crude rates were used to display data. Crude rates adjust for different sizes of population by showing counts per 100,000 members of a population. This means if one population has one million people and another has only one thousand, showing a crude rate will better facilitate comparisons between populations.

# Limitations

Due to confidentiality, Vital Statistics Deaths do not include Personal Health Identification; therefore, we cannot examine the medical history for people who died from suicide. Suicide is not necessarily a symptom of mental illness or alcohol/drug use. There are other factors that increase the risk.

The dashboard is limited to suicide-related behaviour where there was a visit to an Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center or an admission to the hospital and associated suicide/injury ICD-10 diagnosis codes. Because many suicides are not reported, suicide counts are always underestimated.

ICD-10 diagnosis codes are assigned by overseeing service provider (e.g., physician). Due to challenges in determining

intent to die associated with intentional self-harm, suiciderelated emergency care visits and hospitalization data include ICD-10 codes for intentional self-harm.

ED/UCC visits and hospitalizations cannot be considered equivalent to suicide attempts due to the previously mentioned limitation that intentional self-harm is included in the data.

Demographic data such as LGBTQ2S+ and Indigenous status are not currently available through the Injury Surveillance Dashboard.

# Interpretation of Graphs

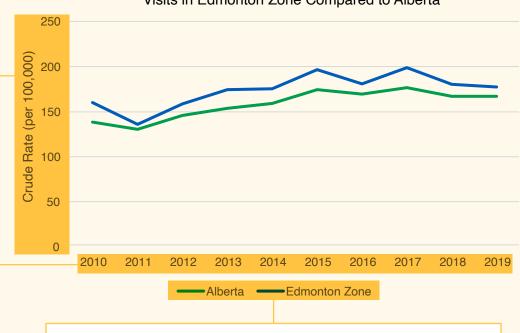
The **y-axis** shows the crude rate:

 the scale of crude rate changes on each graph in order to minimize white space and demonstrate nuances in trends

The **x-axis** shows the years:

- 2010 to 2019 for emergency department & urgent care center visits and hospitalizations
- 2010 to 2018 for mortality

Suicide-Related Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre Visits in Edmonton Zone Compared to Alberta

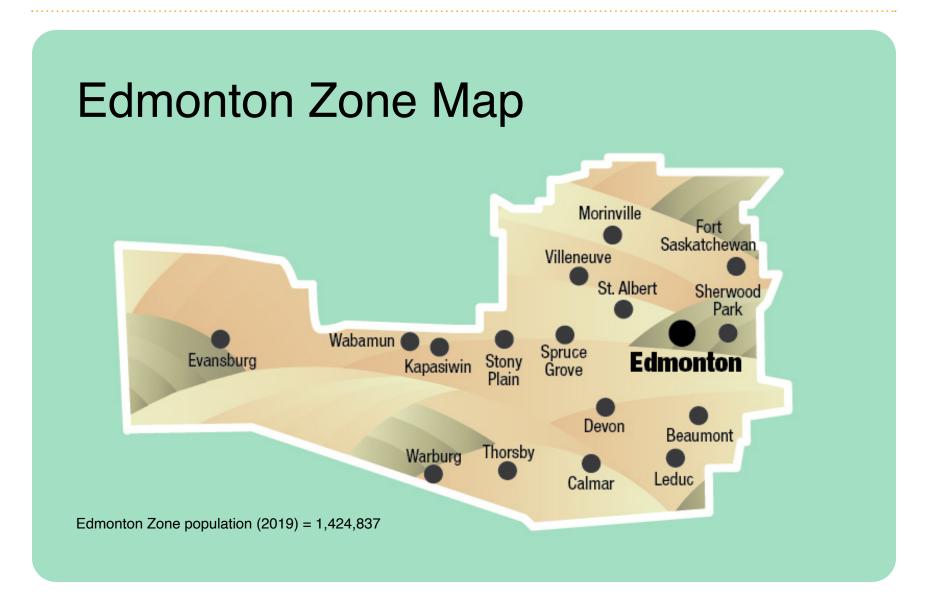


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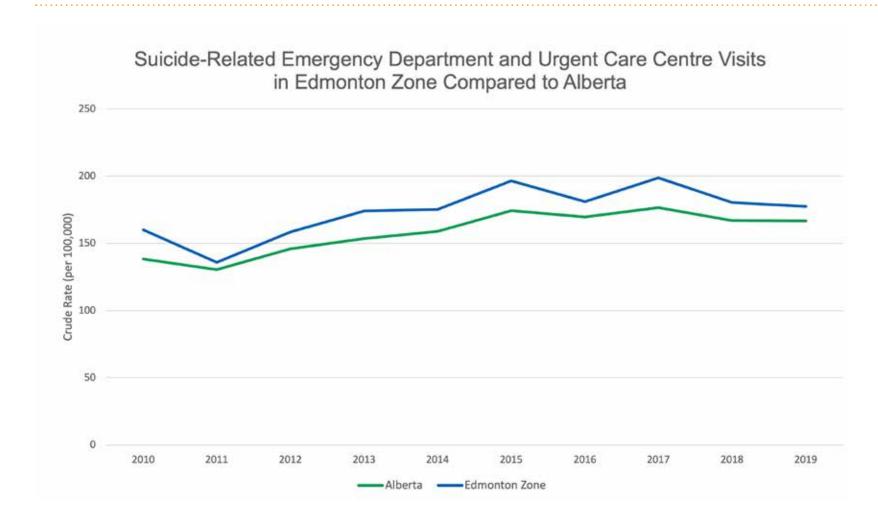
· location, sex, age

<sup>\*</sup>Additional interpretation notes are included below each graph.

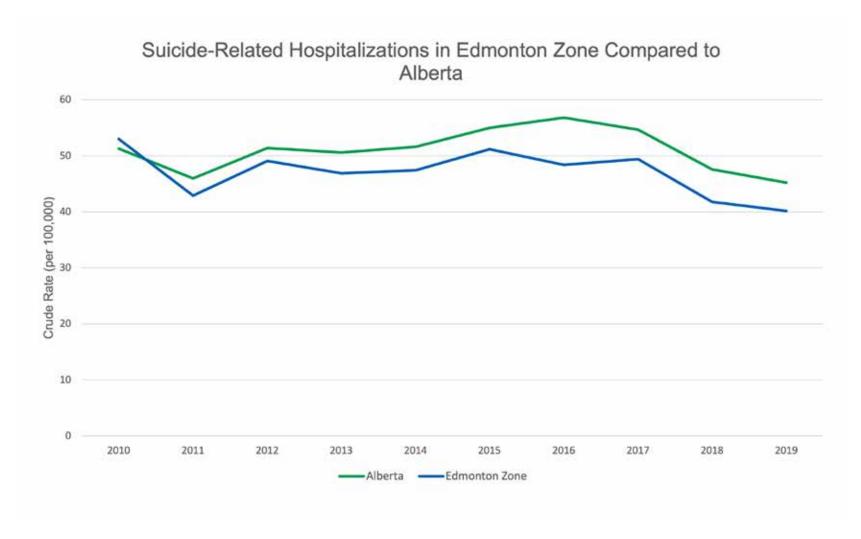
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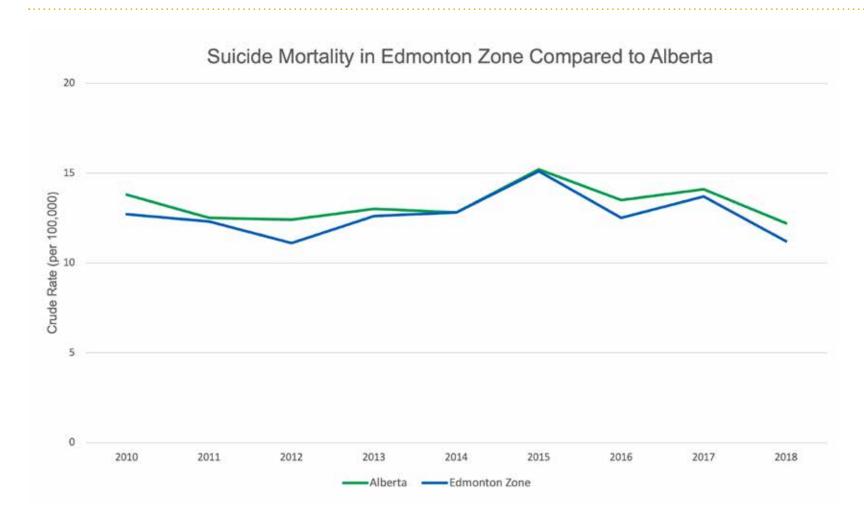


Suicide-related ED & UCC visits in Edmonton have trended slightly above Alberta from 2010 to 2019.



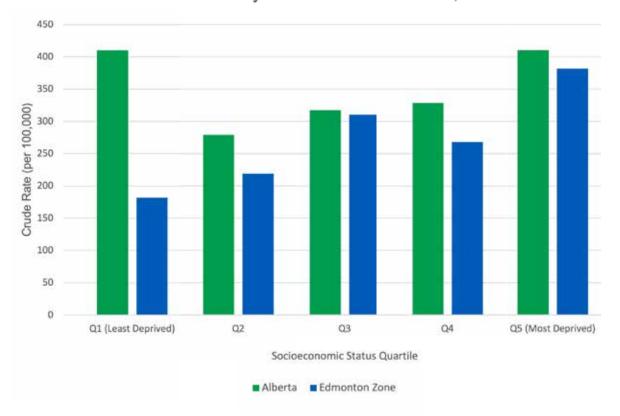
Suicide-related hospitalizations in Edmonton Zone have trended slightly below hospitalizations in Alberta from 2010 to 2019

## Context of Suicide In Edmonton Zone



Suicide mortality in Edmonton zone has been similar to Alberta from 2008 to 2018, with 2018 seeing the lowest suicide rate since 2012 (11.2 in Edmonton Zone and 12.2 in Alberta).

## Rates of Suicide-Related Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre Visits by Socioeconomic Status, 2019

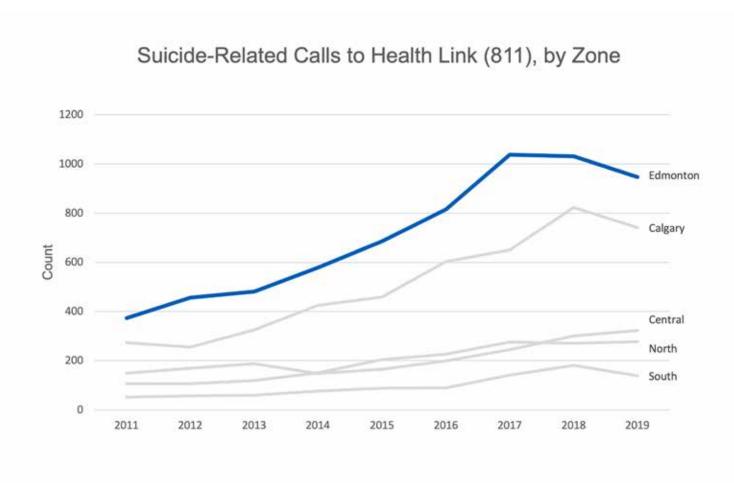


In 2019, the lowest rates of suicide-related ED and UCC visits occurred among those of the highest socioeconomic status; these rates are much lower in Edmonton Zone than Alberta.

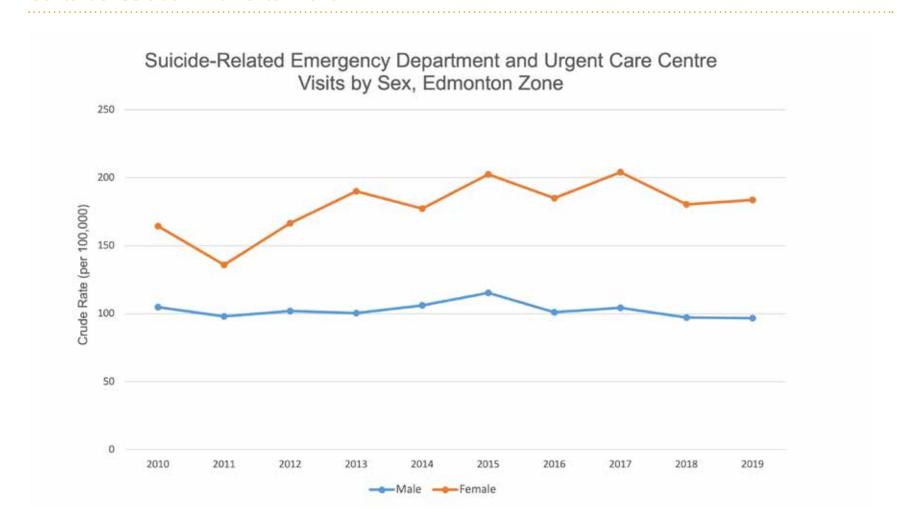
In 2019, the highest rates occurred among the most socioeconomically deprived in Edmonton. This is consistent with Alberta's rates.

From 2017-2019 in Alberta, the trend noted above was consistent. Prior to 2017 (from 2010-2016), higher socioeconomic deprivation equated to higher rates of suiciderelated ED/UCC visits.

In general in Edmonton Zone, increased socioeconomic deprivation equated to increased rates of suicide-related ED/UCC visits with the exception that, in many years, people among Q3 experienced higher rates of suicide-related visits than people among Q4.

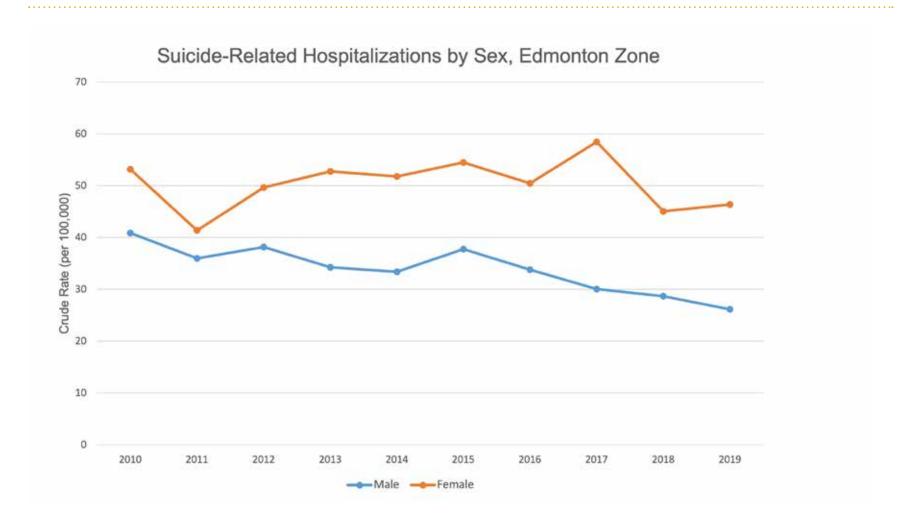


The number of suicide-related calls to Health Link have consistently been highest in Edmonton zone from 2011 to 2019 as compared to calls in the other zones. An important limitation of this data is that the number of calls is not adjusted to the population of each zone. This means areas may see more calls to 811 due to their higher population. Crude rate (population adjusted) data is unavailable for calls to Health Link.



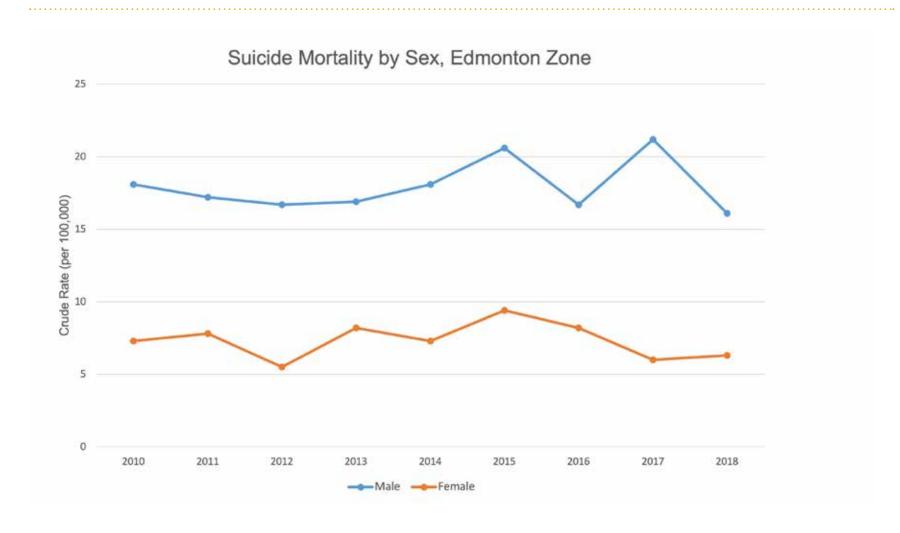
In Edmonton Zone, females have higher rates of suicide-related ED/UCC visits than males. Females show an overall increase in ED/UCC visits from 2010 to 2018, while males demonstrate a slight decrease.

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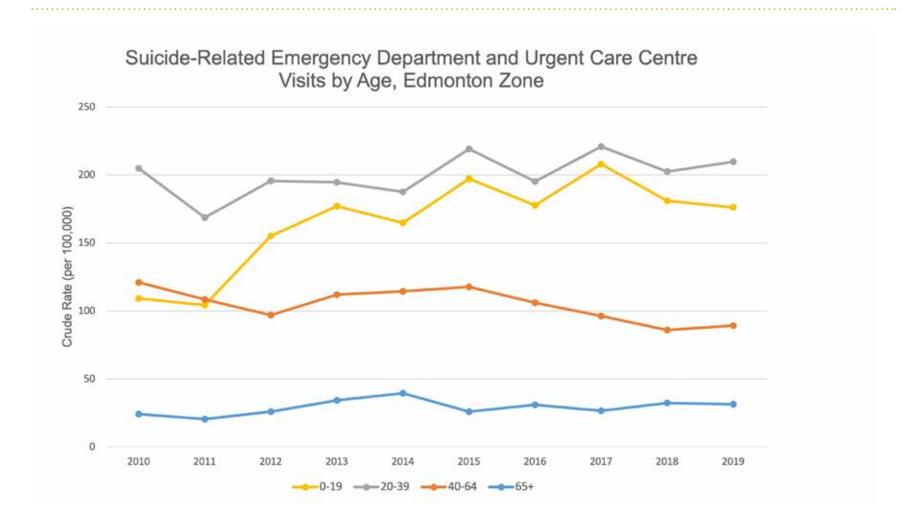


In Edmonton Zone, females have higher rates of suicide-related hospitalizations than males. Males actually demonstrate a downward trend in hospitalization rate from 2010 to 2019.

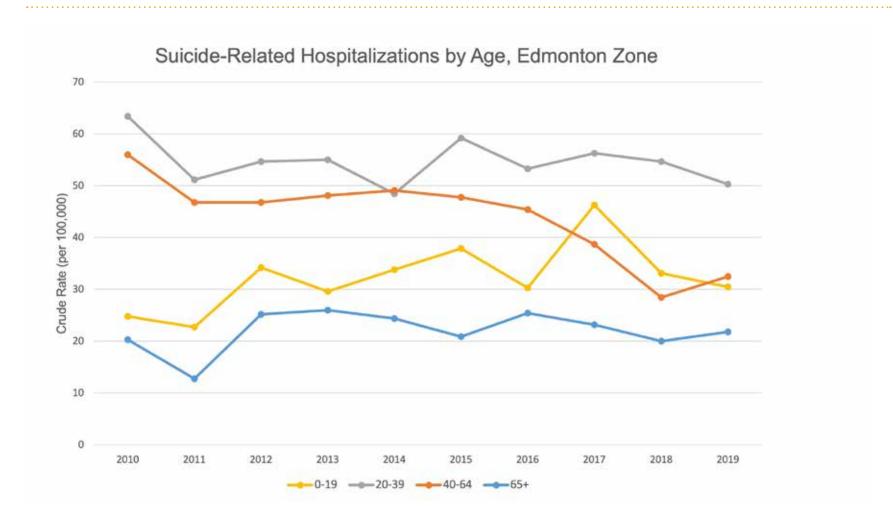
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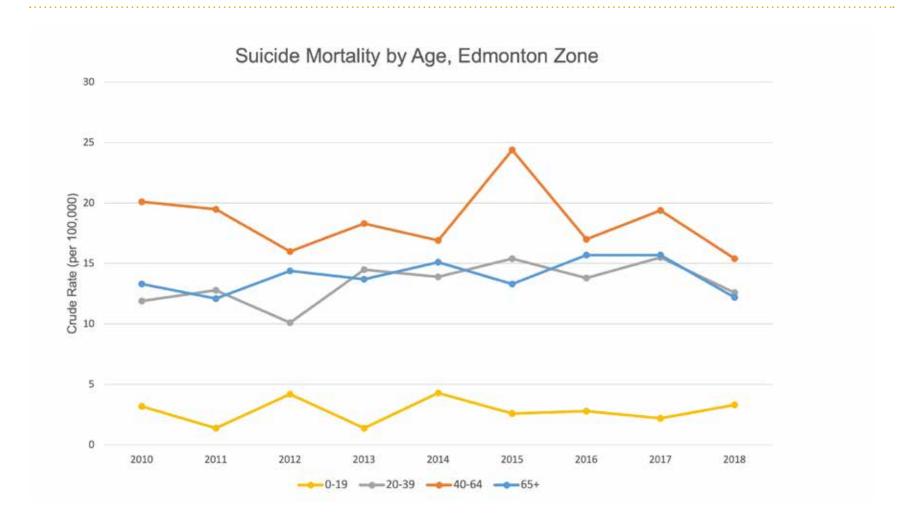
In Edmonton Zone, males have higher rates of suicide mortality than females.



In Edmonton Zone, 20-39 year olds have the highest rates of ED/UCC visits. 0-19 year old demonstrate increasing rates of ED/ UCC visits from 2010 to 2019.



In Edmonton Zone, 20-39 year olds have the highest rates of suicide-related hospitalizations. 40-64 year olds demonstrate a decreased hospitalization rate from 2010 to 2018.



In Edmonton Zone, 40-64 year olds have the highest rates of suicide over the past 10 years. 20-39 and 65+ have comparable mortality rates, particularly for 2017 and 2018.

# EDMONTON SUICIDE TRENDS 2010-2019

#### In the City of Edmonton:

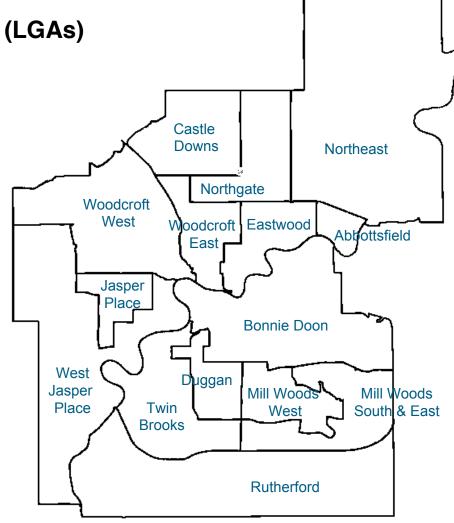
- 1,921 total visits were made to the emergency department or urgent care centres for suiciderelated behaviour in 2019.
- 443 hospitalizations due to suicide-related behaviour occurred in 2019.
- 108 suicide deaths occurred in 2018.

The following pages will present three datasets: suicide-related visits to emergency departments and urgent care centres, hospitalization and mortality. Fifteen LGAs from Edmonton will be presented in groups of three, organized from highest to lowest rates.

# **Edmonton Local Geographic Areas (LGAs)**

#### **Edmonton population (2020) = 1,021,628**

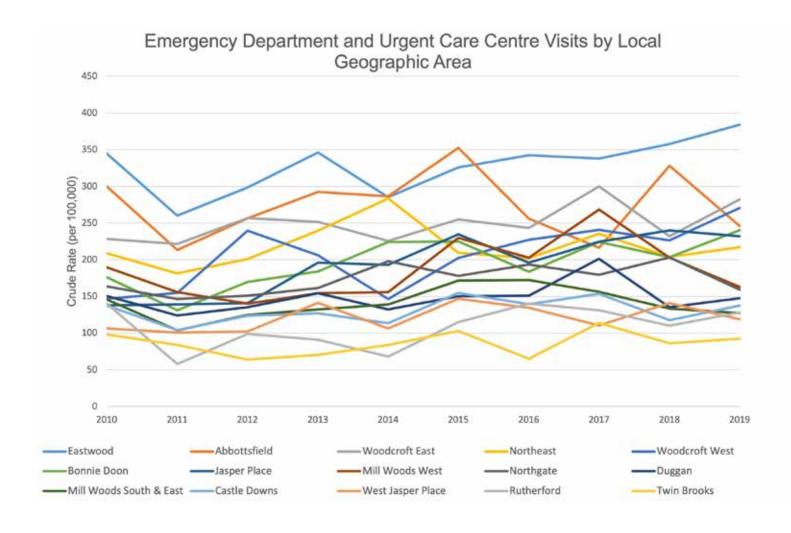
- Abbottsfield = 14,540
- Bonnie Doon = 96,574
- Castle Downs = 70,526
- Duggan = 40,428
- Eastwood = 72,600
- Jasper Place = 47,069
- Mill Woods South & East = 82,983
- Mill Woods West = 51,122
- Northeast = 88,901
- Northgate = 82,404
- Rutherford = 104,153
- Twin Brooks = 75,685
- West Jasper Place = 101,046
- Woodcroft East = 60,381
- Woodcroft West = 32,479



# Emergency Department/Urgent Care Visits for Local Geographic Areas

The available data does not differentiate suicide intent from self-harm and is an under-estimation of suicide-related activity as not all people go to the ED/UCC/ Hospital for care.

Crude rates are based on the population of each LGA – these rates end up being higher than the Edmonton rate because of the variation in population. Higher rates in certain LGAs demonstrate where in Edmonton suicide-related activity is more common.



This chart is included just to demonstrate the range of rates between the LGAs. The following pages will separate the LGAs to compare groups of 3.

Eastwood has the highest rates of ED/UCC visits with crude rate range trending between 260-384 per 100,000 between 2010 and 2019.

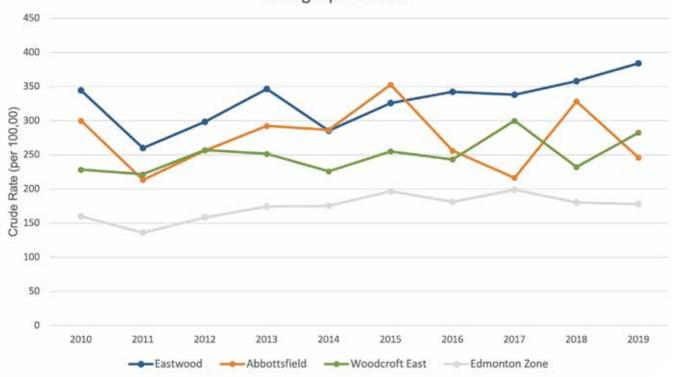
Twin Brooks, Rutherford and West Jasper Place have some of the lowest rates over the last 10 years.

## **Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre Visits by** Local Geographic Area (LGA)

|                         | Crude Rate (per 100,000) for Visits by Year |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Local Geographic Area   | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  | 2016  | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  |
| Eastwood                | 344.5                                       | 260.0 | 298.5 | 346.3 | 285.4 | 325.8 | 342.3 | 337.9 | 357.8 | 384.0 |
| Abbottsfield            | 299.9                                       | 213.2 | 256.4 | 292.3 | 286.4 | 352.6 | 256.0 | 216.1 | 328.1 | 245.8 |
| Woodcroft East          | 228.2                                       | 221.4 | 256.9 | 251.5 | 225.7 | 255.0 | 243.3 | 300.0 | 231.9 | 282.3 |
| Northeast               | 208.9                                       | 181.4 | 200.9 | 239.7 | 283.4 | 209.6 | 202.1 | 235.4 | 204.0 | 216.9 |
| Woodcroft West          | 146.8                                       | 154.6 | 239.7 | 206.3 | 146.3 | 202.4 | 227.0 | 240.7 | 226.3 | 270.5 |
| Bonnie Doon             | 176.1                                       | 131.2 | 169.8 | 184.1 | 224.1 | 224.9 | 183.6 | 224.3 | 203.5 | 240.5 |
| Jasper Place            | 137.9                                       | 139.0 | 140.8 | 195.9 | 193.0 | 234.6 | 195.8 | 224.5 | 239.7 | 232.2 |
| Mill Woods West         | 189.7                                       | 155.9 | 140.0 | 154.3 | 155.8 | 229.9 | 202.8 | 268.6 | 202.8 | 162.9 |
| Northgate               | 163.7                                       | 146.3 | 150.9 | 161.5 | 198.0 | 178.1 | 193.5 | 179.4 | 203.2 | 159.1 |
| Duggan                  | 150.7                                       | 123.9 | 135.3 | 154.2 | 132.1 | 150.0 | 150.9 | 201.1 | 135.1 | 147.4 |
| Mill Woods South & East | 145.8                                       | 103.5 | 124.8 | 132.3 | 138.8 | 171.5 | 172.5 | 156.3 | 133.3 | 127.3 |
| Castle Downs            | 137.5                                       | 104.0 | 123.4 | 126.8 | 113.3 | 154.8 | 139.2 | 153.5 | 117.7 | 137.6 |
| West Jasper Place       | 106.4                                       | 100.6 | 102.3 | 141.3 | 106.4 | 146.8 | 134.4 | 110.3 | 141.0 | 118.5 |
| Rutherford              | 140.2                                       | 57.8  | 98.8  | 90.9  | 68.0  | 114.7 | 139.9 | 131.0 | 110.0 | 128.1 |
| Twin Brooks             | 97.9  | 83.9  | 63.8  | 70.3  | 83.6  | 103.0 | 65.1  | 113.8 | 86.0  | 92.4  |
| Edmonton Zone           | 160.0                                       | 135.9 | 158.4 | 174.2 | 175.3 | 196.5 | 181.0 | 198.8 | 180.3 | 177.5 |

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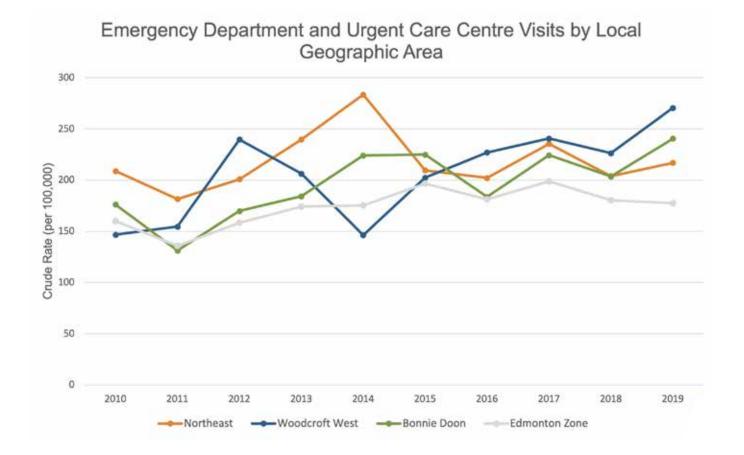
## Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre Visits by Local Geographic Area





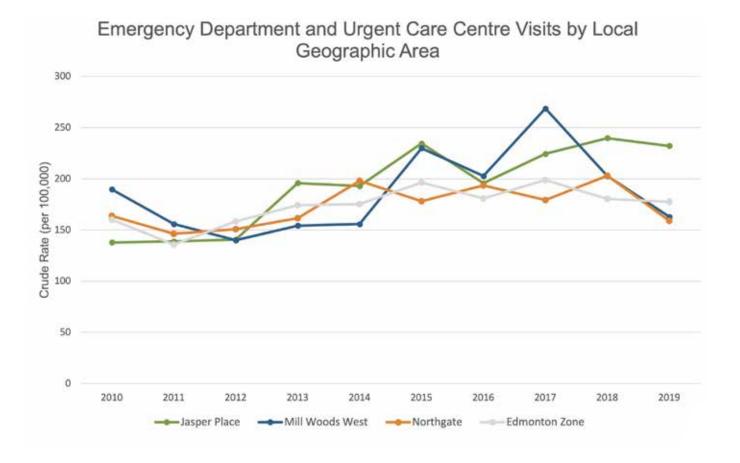
LGAs with highest average rates for ED/ UCC visits: Eastwood. **Abbottsfield** and Woodcroft East. All three experience higher rates than Edmonton Zone. Edmonton Zone rate trends around 200 per 100,000 or less.

Over the past 10 years, these three LGAs have trended with rates of over 200 per 100,000 for ED/UCC visits, with Eastwood reaching a rate of 384 per 100,000 in 2018.





Woodcroft West and Bonnie Doon demonstrate rising trends in ED/UCC visits from around 150-170 per 100,000 in 2010 to over 240-270 per 100,000 in 2019.

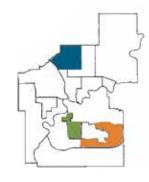




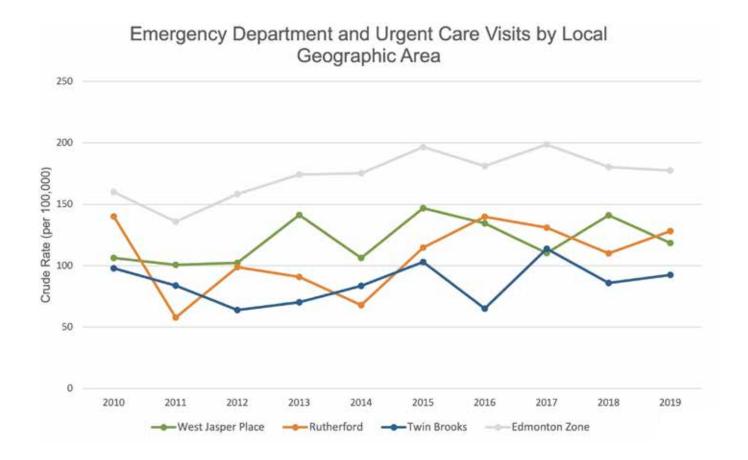
Jasper Place trends upward from 138 per 100,000 in 2010 to over 230 per 100,000 in 2019 for ED/UCC visits.

Northgate and **Mill Woods West** experience some up and down movement, both experiencing crude rates less than the Edmonton Zone in 2019 for ED/UCC visits.

## Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre Visits by Local Geographic Area 250 200 Crude Rate (per 100,000) 50 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 → Mill Woods South & East --- Castle Downs Edmonton Zone



**Duggan, Mill Woods** South & East, and Castle Downs show general trends between 100-150 ED/UCC visits per 100,000, with Duggan showing a peak of 200 per 100,000 ED/UCC visits in 2017. All three LGAs trend lower than Edmonton Zone.

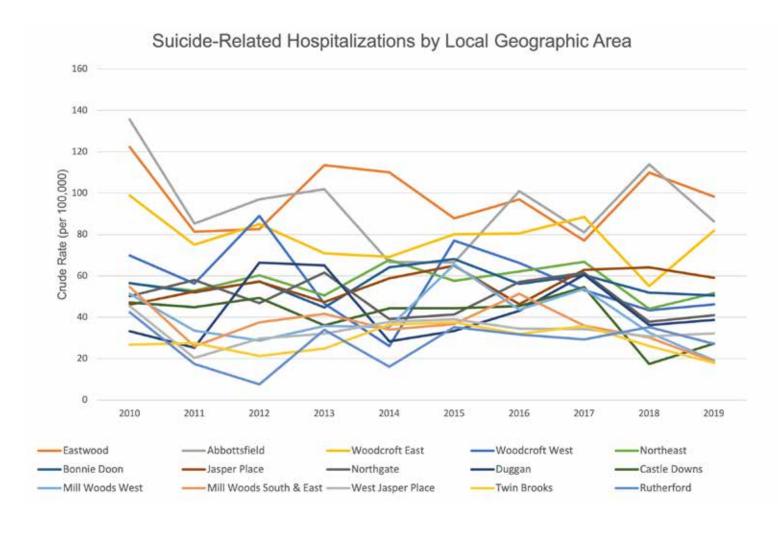




Rutherford, West Jasper Place and Twin Brooks have the lowest average ED/ UCC rates of all LGAs. All three trend lower than the Edmonton Zone rate.

# Suicide-Related Hospitalizations for Local Geographic Areas

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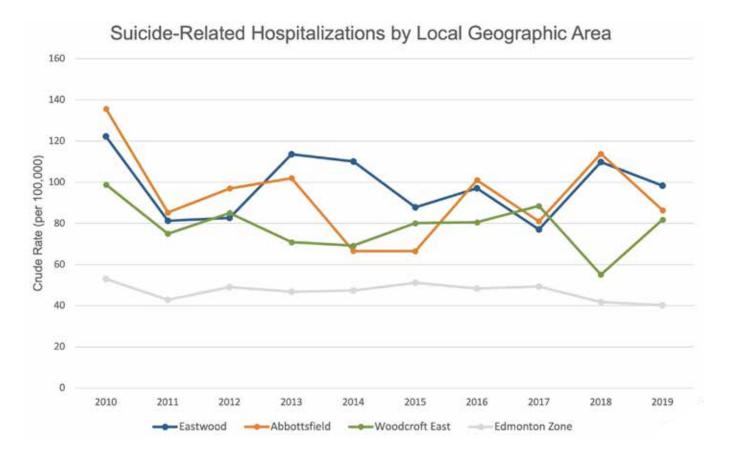
Eastwood has the highest average rates of hospitalization with crude rates ranging between 70-125 over last 10 years.

Rutherford, Twin Brooks and West Jasper Place have some of the lowest rates over the last 10 years.

# Suicide-Related Hospitalizations by Local Geographic Area (LGA), 2010-2019

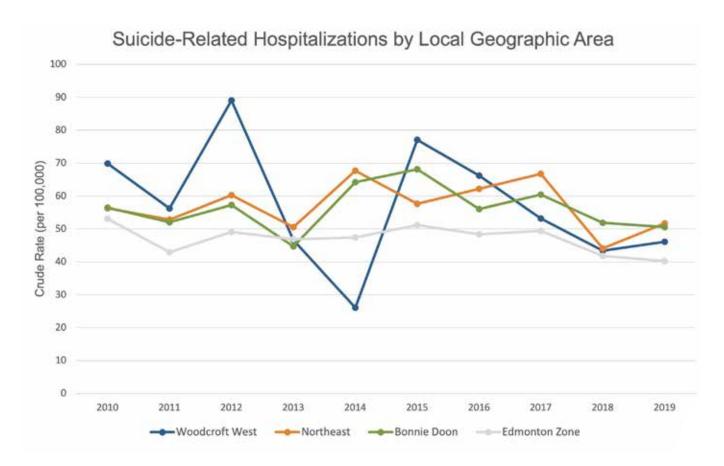
|                         | Crude Rate (per 100,000) for Hospitalization Visits by Year |      |      |       |       |      |       |      |       |      |
|-------------------------|---|------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Local Geographic Area   | 2010  | 2011 | 2012 | 2013  | 2014  | 2015 | 2016  | 2017 | 2018  | 2019 |
| Eastwood                | 122.3   | 81.3 | 82.6 | 113.6 | 110.1 | 87.9 | 97.0  | 77.0 | 109.9 | 98.3 |
| Abbottsfield            | 135.7   | 85.3 | 97.0 | 102.0 | 66.6  | 66.5 | 101.0 | 81.1 | 113.8 | 86.4 |
| Woodcroft East          | 98.8  | 75.0 | 85.1 | 70.9  | 69.2  | 80.1 | 80.5  | 88.5 | 55.1  | 81.8 |
| Woodcroft West          | 69.9  | 56.2 | 89.0 | 46.6  | 26.0  | 77.1 | 66.2  | 53.1 | 43.4  | 46.1 |
| Northeast               | 56.4  | 52.8 | 60.3 | 50.5  | 67.7  | 57.6 | 62.2  | 66.8 | 44.0  | 51.6 |
| Bonnie Doon             | 56.5  | 52.0 | 57.3 | 44.7  | 64.2  | 68.2 | 56.1  | 60.4 | 51.9  | 50.5 |
| Jasper Place            | 46.0  | 52.4 | 57.2 | 47.4  | 58.7  | 64.9 | 46.3  | 62.9 | 64.1  | 59.1 |
| Northgate               | 50.2  | 58.0 | 46.8 | 61.5  | 39.1  | 41.4 | 57.1  | 61.4 | 37.7  | 41.0 |
| Duggan                  | 33.2  | 25.3 | 66.4 | 65.1  | 28.3  | 33.3 | 43.1  | 60.6 | 36.2  | 38.7 |
| Castle Downs            | 47.0  | 44.8 | 49.4 | 36.0  | 44.3  | 44.2 | 45.4  | 54.6 | 17.4  | 27.2 |
| Mill Woods West         | 51.4  | 33.5 | 28.8 | 35.8  | 35.2  | 65.4 | 43.6  | 53.7 | 32.5  | 19.2 |
| Mill Woods South & East | 54.7  | 25.9 | 37.5 | 41.6  | 34.0  | 36.7 | 51.4  | 35.9 | 30.2  | 18.5 |
| West Jasper Place       | 45.4  | 20.4 | 29.6 | 32.1  | 37.8  | 38.9 | 34.4  | 34.3 | 30.7  | 32.1 |
| Twin Brooks             | 26.7  | 27.5 | 21.3 | 24.8  | 36.4  | 37.4 | 31.9  | 35.7 | 26.1  | 18.0 |
| Rutherford              | 42.4  | 17.4 | 7.6  | 33.8  | 16.1  | 35.2 | 31.7  | 29.2 | 35.2  | 27.1 |
| Edmonton Zone           | 53.0  | 42.9 | 49.1 | 46.9  | 47.4  | 51.2 | 48.4  | 49.4 | 41.8  | 40.2 |

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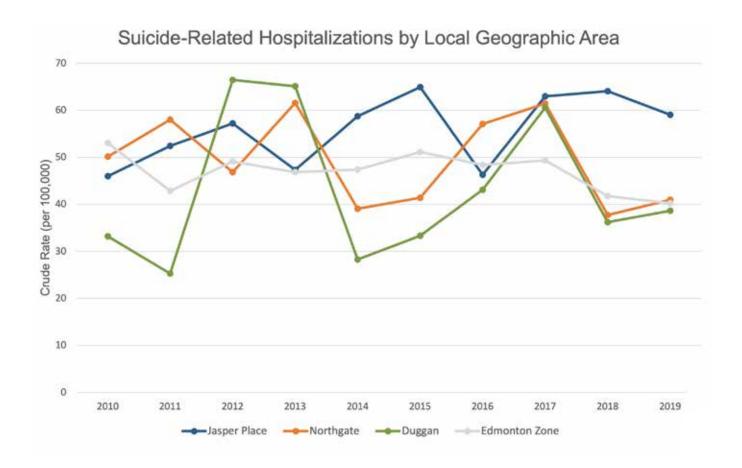
Eastwood, Woodcroft East and Abbottsfield demonstrate the highest rates of suicide-related hospitalization in Edmonton. All three show downward trends of hospitalization from 2010 to 2019.





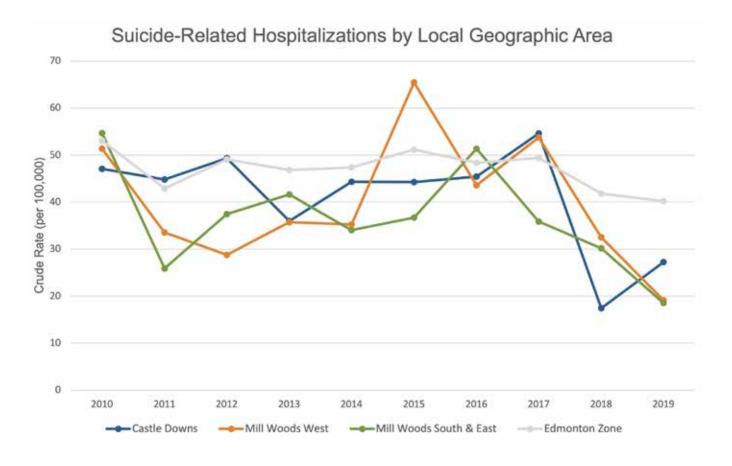
## **Woodcroft West** demonstrates variation between the years but an overall downward trend in hospitalization from 2010 to 2019.

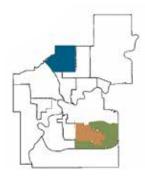
**Bonnie Doon** and Northeast demonstrate similar rates of hospitalization, with a slight decrease between 2010 and 2019.



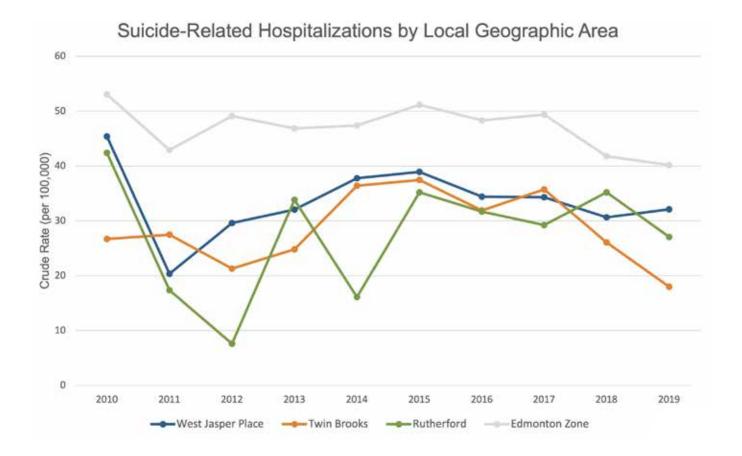


Jasper Place and **Duggan** demonstrate an overall increase in hospitalization rates between 2010 and 2019, while Northgate demonstrates a decrease.





Mill Woods West, **Mill Woods South** & East and Castle **Downs** all demonstrate an overall decrease in hospitalizations between 2010 and 2019 (around 50 hospitalizations per 100,000 to less than 30 per 100,000).





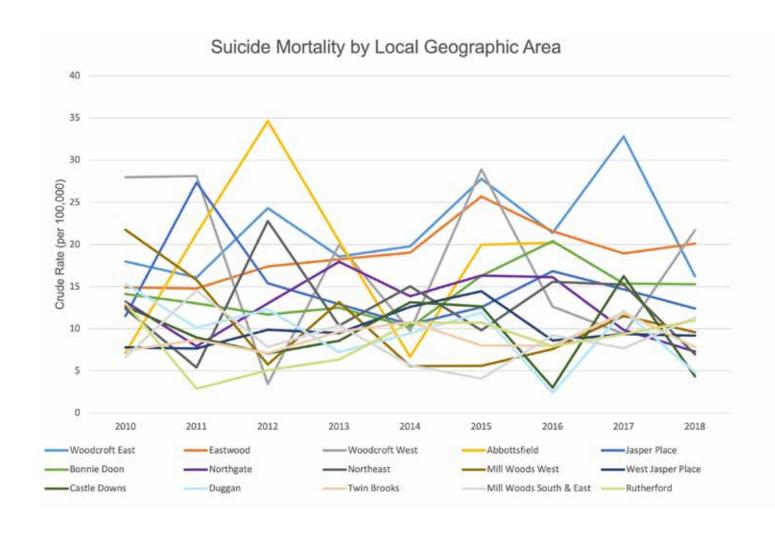
**West Jasper Place** and Twin Brooks demonstrate an increase in hospitalization rates from 2011 to 2015, and a downward trend from 2015 to 2019. **Rutherford** shows some variation but has overall demonstrated a decrease from 2010 to 2019.

# Suicide Mortality for Local Geographic Areas

Crude rates are based on the population of each LGA – these rates end up being higher than the Edmonton rate because of the variation in population. Higher rates in certain LGAs demonstrate where in Edmonton suicide-related activity is more common.

Because many suicides are not reported, suicide counts are always underestimated.

Suicide deaths take time to investigate and confirm by Vital Statistics. Suicide mortality rates are only included up to 2018.



This chart is included just to demonstrate the range of rates between the LGAs. The following pages will separate the LGAs to compare groups of 3.

On average, **Woodcroft East** has the highest average rate of mortality within from 2010 to 2018.

Rutherford has some of the lowest rates.

# Suicide Mortality by Local Geographic Area, 2010 to 2018

|                         | Crude Rate for Suicide Mortality by Year |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Local Geographic Area   | 2010                                     | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Woodcroft East          | 18.0                                     | 16.1 | 24.3 | 18.6 | 19.8 | 27.8 | 21.4 | 32.8 | 16.2 |
| Eastwood                | 14.9                                     | 14.8 | 17.4 | 18.2 | 19.0 | 25.7 | 21.6 | 18.9 | 20.1 |
| Woodcroft West          | 28.0                                     | 28.1 | 3.4  | 20.0 | 9.8  | 28.9 | 12.6 | 9.4  | 21.7 |
| Abbottsfield            | 7.1                                      | 21.3 | 34.6 | 20.4 | 6.7  | 20.0 | 20.2 |      | 13.4 |
| Jasper Place            | 11.5                                     | 27.3 | 15.4 | 12.9 | 10.5 | 12.6 | 16.8 | 14.7 | 12.4 |
| Bonnie Doon             | 14.1                                     | 13.0 | 11.7 | 12.5 | 10.2 | 16.3 | 20.4 | 15.4 | 15.3 |
| Northgate               | 13.2                                     | 7.9  | 13.0 | 17.9 | 13.9 | 16.3 | 16.1 | 9.8  | 7.3  |
| Northeast               | 12.4                                     | 5.4  | 22.8 | 10.4 | 15.0 | 9.8  | 15.5 | 15.2 | 7.0  |
| Mill Woods West         | 21.7                                     | 15.8 | 5.8  | 13.2 | 5.6  | 5.6  | 7.6  | 11.5 | 9.6  |
| West Jasper Place       | 7.8                                      | 7.6  | 9.9  | 9.5  | 12.6 | 14.5 | 8.6  | 9.4  | 9.2  |
| Castle Downs            | 12.7                                     | 9.0  | 7.1  | 8.6  | 13.1 | 12.6 | 3.0  | 16.2 | 4.4  |
| Duggan                  | 15.3                                     | 10.1 | 12.3 | 7.2  | 9.4  | 11.9 | 2.4  | 12.1 | 4.8  |
| Twin Brooks             | 7.4                                      | 8.7  | 7.1  | 9.6  | 10.8 | 8.0  | 8.0  | 11.9 | 7.8  |
| Mill Woods South & East | 6.6                                      | 14.5 | 7.8  | 10.4 | 5.7  | 4.1  | 9.2  | 7.7  | 11.3 |
| Rutherford              | 13.0                                     | 2.9  | 5.1  | 6.3  | 10.7 | 10.7 | 7.9  | 9.4  | 11.0 |
| Edmonton Zone           | 12.7                                     | 12.3 | 11.1 | 12.6 | 12.8 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 13.7 | 11.2 |

This table is the numerical depiction of the graph on the previous chart.

2011

--- Woodcroft East

2012

2013

Eastwood

2010

# Suicide Mortality by Local Geographic Area 35 30 Crude Rate (per 100,000) 5

2014

2015

──Woodcroft West

2017

Edmonton Zone

2018

2016



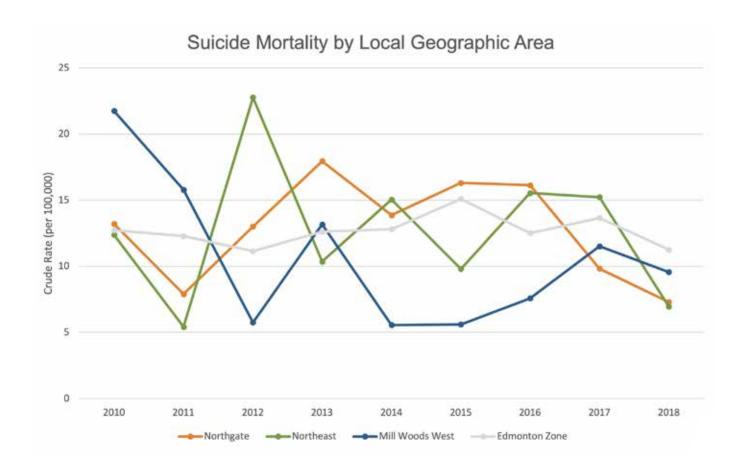
Mortality rates in Edmonton are highest within Woodcroft **East, Woodcroft West** and Eastwood.

Comparing 2010 to 2018, Woodcroft East and Woodcroft West demonstrate a slight decrease in mortality rates, while Eastwood demonstrates a slight increase.

# Suicide Mortality by Local Geographic Area 40 35 Crude Rate (per 100,000) 10 5 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 Abbottsfield -- Jasper Place -- Bonnie Doon --- Edmonton Zone



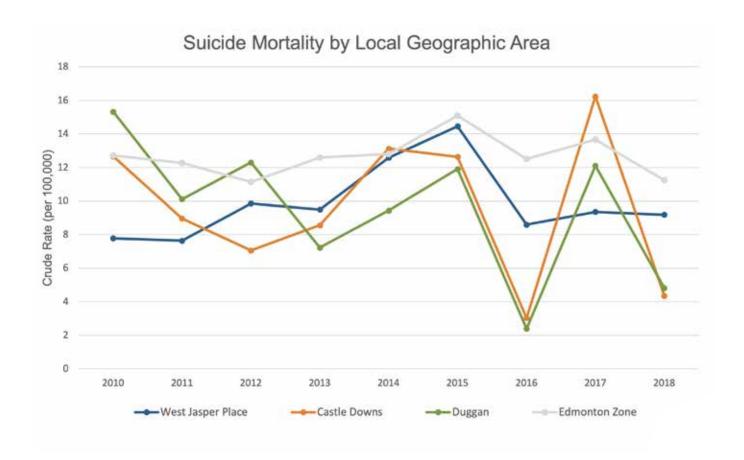
Comparing 2010 to 2018, **Bonnie** Doon and Jasper Place demonstrate a slight increase in mortality rates, while Abbottsfield demonstrates a peak at 35 suicide deaths per 100,000 in 2012 and decreases to 13.4 per 100,000 in 2018.





Mill Woods West, Northgate and Northeast generally show similar trends to Edmonton Zone.

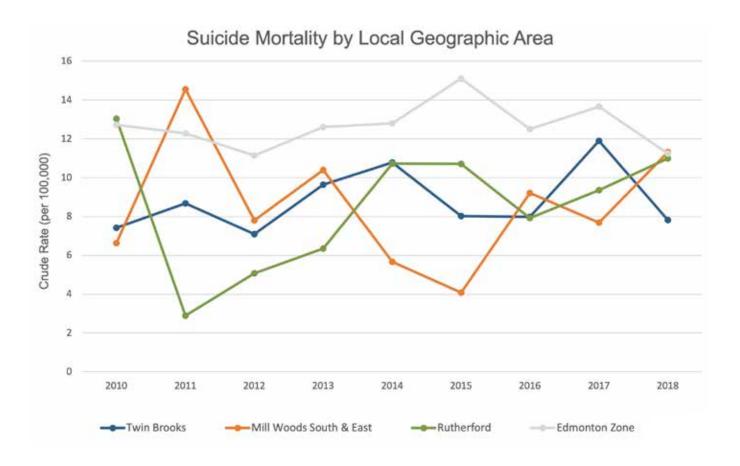
All three LGAs demonstrates a downward trend from 2010 to 2018, all experiencing less than 10 per 100,000 in 2018.





Comparing 2010 to 2018, Duggan and Castle Downs demonstrate a decrease in suicide mortality rates, while **West Jasper Place** demonstrates a slight increase.

All three LGAs generally trend lower than Edmonton Zone.





Mill Woods South & East demonstrates an increase from 6 suicide deaths per 100,000 in 2010 to close to 12 deaths per 100,000 in 2018.

#### Rutherford

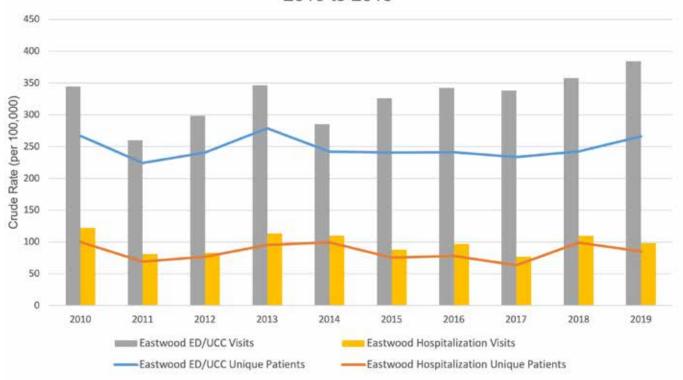
demonstrated a sharp decrease from 2010 to 2011, with an upward trend in rates since 2011.

All three LGAs trend lower than Edmonton Zone.

# Comparing Visits to Unique Patients for Local Geographic Areas

On the following pages, each LGA will be presented individually to compare the crude rates of visits and unique patients for ED/UCC and hospitalization. This comparison can offer insight into how many suicide-related visits are being made by the same individuals within one year. 'Visits' captures all visits made, regardless of if an individual visited more than once in a year (depicted as bar graph), while 'unique patients' only counts each separate individual once, regardless if they visit ED/UCC or are hospitalized more than once within one year (depicted as line graph).

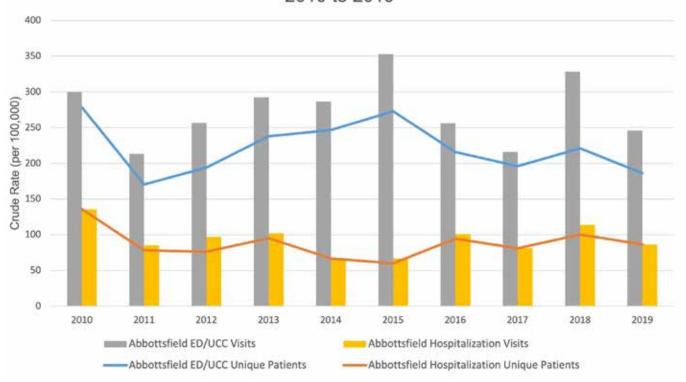
# Eastwood: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Eastwood**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

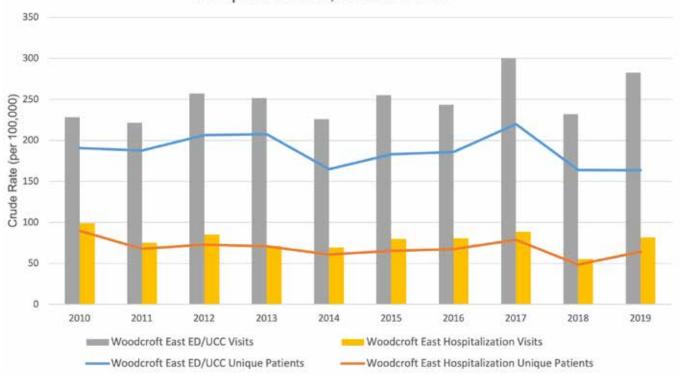
## Abbottsfield: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Abbottsfield**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

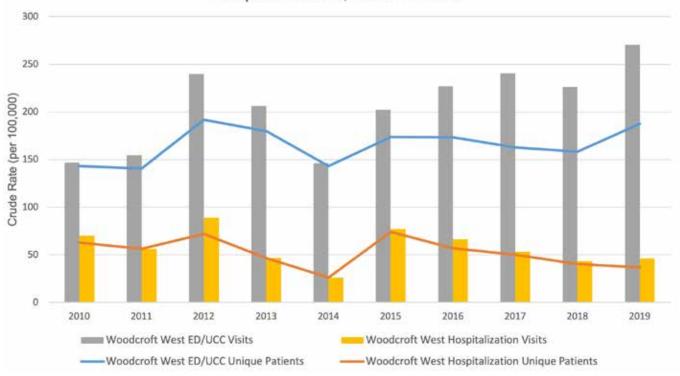
# Woodcroft East: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Woodcroft East**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

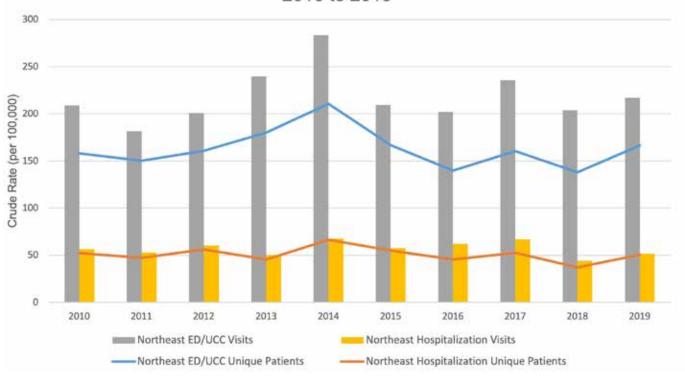
# Woodcroft West: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Woodcroft West**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients in all years except 2010 and 2014, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC in the other years.

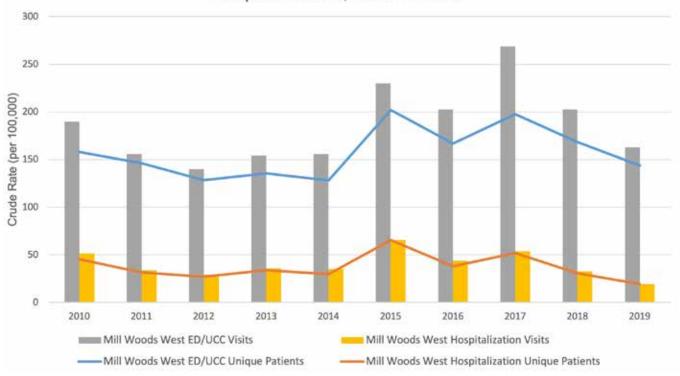
### Northeast: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### Northeast

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

# Mill Woods West: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



# demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/

**Mill Woods West** 

UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

#### Bonnie Doon: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Bonnie Doon**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

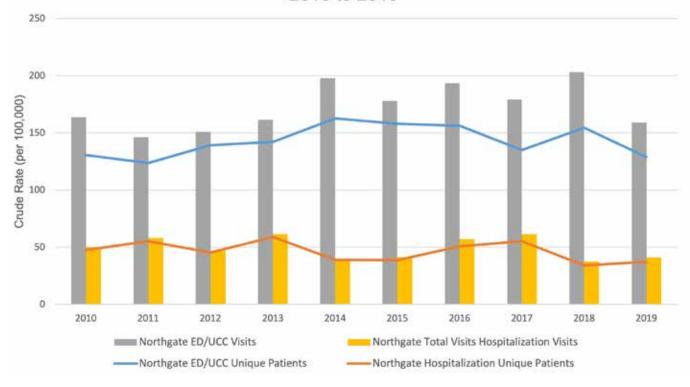
### Jasper Place: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Jasper Place**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

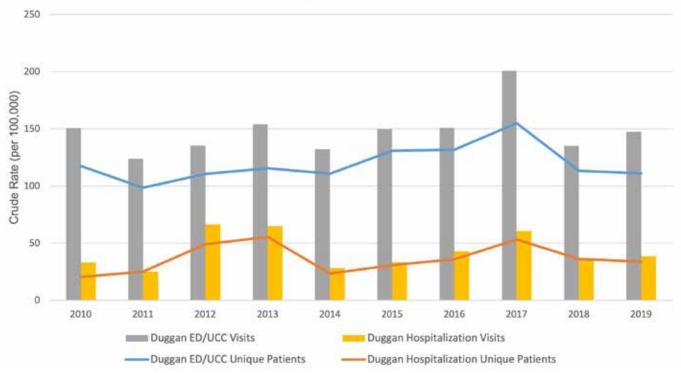
# Northgate: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Northgate**

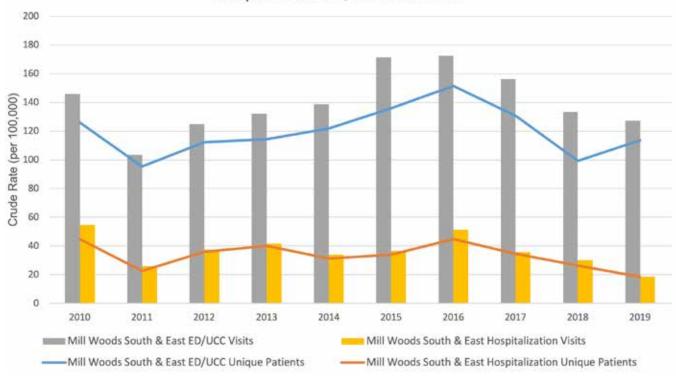
demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.





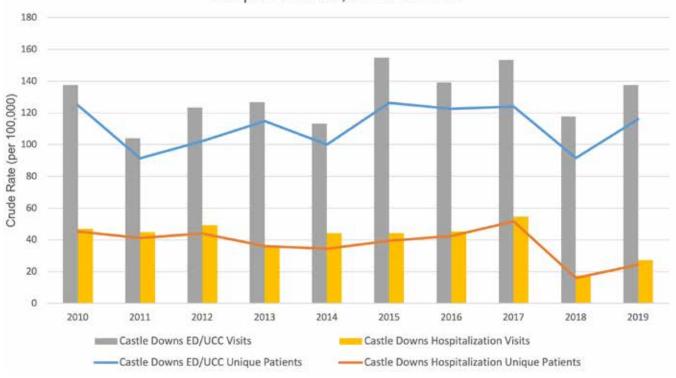
**Duggan** demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/UCC.

# Mill Woods South & East: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### Mill Woods South & East demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

# Castle Downs: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



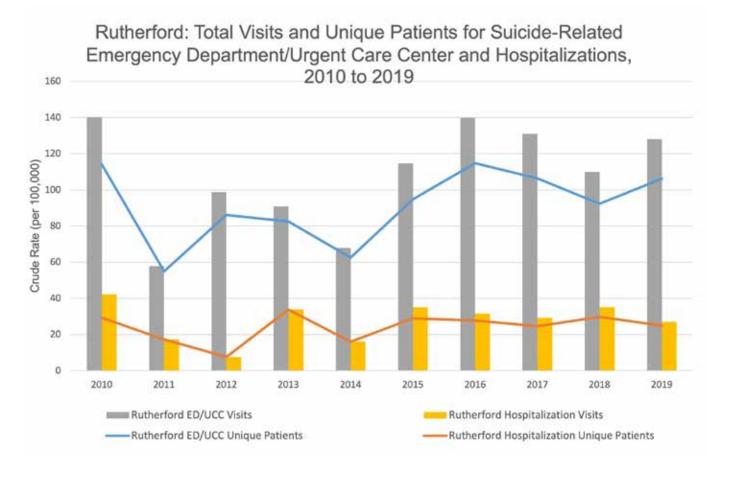
#### **Castle Downs**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.

# West Jasper Place: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



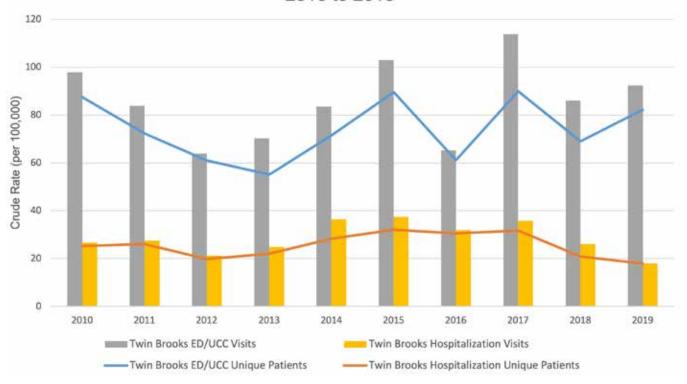
West Jasper Place demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC.



#### Rutherford

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/ UCC than unique patients for most years except 2011 and 2014, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/ UCC in the other years.

#### Twin Brooks: Total Visits and Unique Patients for Suicide-Related Emergency Department/Urgent Care Center and Hospitalizations, 2010 to 2019



#### **Twin Brooks**

demonstrates higher rates of visits to ED/UCC than unique patients in most years except 2012 and 2016, indicating that some individuals made repeat visits to the ED/UCC in the other years.