

## 10 September: World Suicide Prevention Day

***The suicide rate among young people aged 15 to 29 in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country was 3 per 100,000 in 2012.***

On the occasion of the celebration of the **World Suicide Prevention Day**, the Basque Youth Observatory is providing data relating to the incidence of suicide among people aged 15 to 29.

According to data provided by the Health Records and Information Service of the Directorate of Knowledge and Assessment of the Department of Health of the Basque Government, nine young people aged 15 to 29 committed suicide in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country in 2012, which represents a rate of 3.0 for every 100,000 young people in that age group and makes suicide the second cause of death among young people in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country behind traffic accidents

Of these 9 young people who committed suicide, 8 were men, representing a rate of 5.2 per 100,000 young men in that age group, while the rate among women was only 0.7 .

The number of suicides among the entire population of the Basque Country is higher than among young people. A total of 180 people died in the Basque Country due to this cause in 2012, representing a rate of 8.2 per 100,000 inhabitants.

This indicator on suicide among young people in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country can be found in the study titled Youth Indicators 2013, more specifically in the Health section.

This is one of the 111 indicators on the situation of young people collected in this comprehensive study prepared by the Basque Youth Observatory. The data are taken, in some cases, from research conducted by the Observatory and, in other cases, from official statistics.

In all, this offers a general view of the situation of young people and compares it with the Basque population as a whole and with young people from other areas, such as Spain or the European Union.

The information is available in four formats to facilitate access:

- **Interactive database.** This makes it possible to prepare interactive charts and maps to analyse the evolution, comparison and disaggregation of the 11 indicators by selecting variables.
- **Youth Indicator Panel,** a summary chart that synthesizes the information of the 111 indicators used in the research project.
- **Indicator files,** information on a selection of 64 basic indicators.
- **Executive Summary,** a brief text that summarises the main conclusions taken from the analysis of all the indicators.