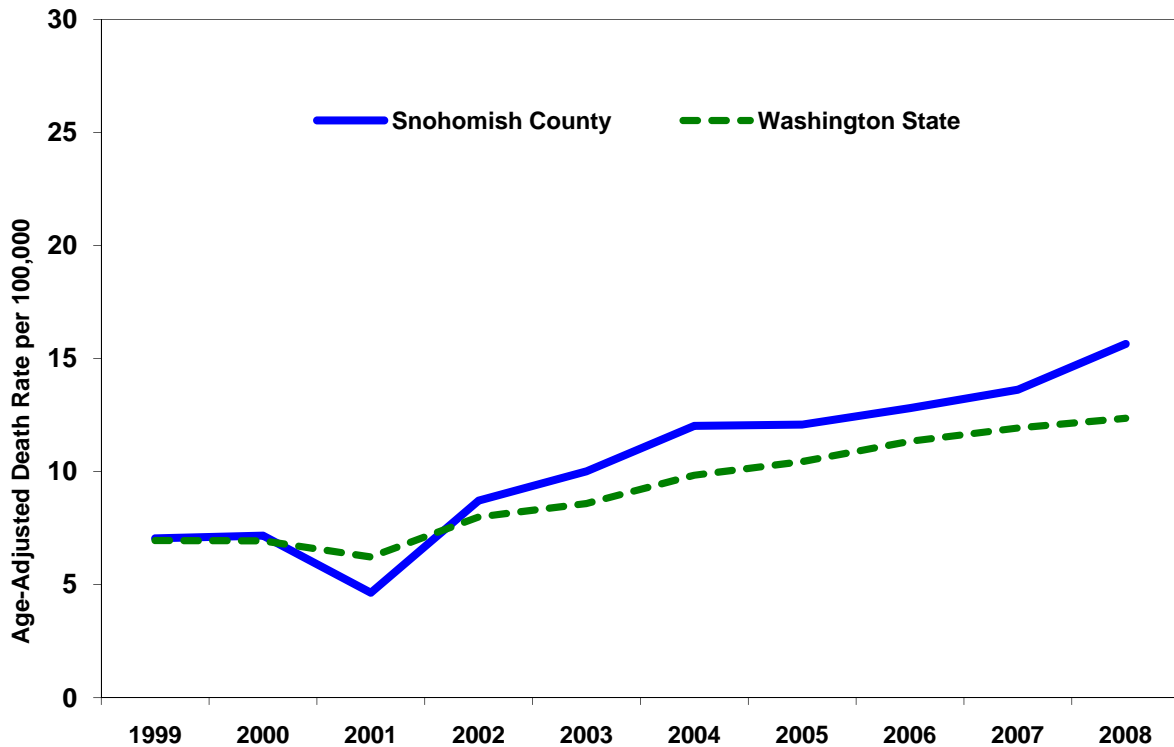


Unintentional Poisoning – Snohomish County, 1999 – 2008

- From 1999 through 2008, the age-adjusted unintentional poisoning mortality significantly increased in both Snohomish County and Washington State.
- In 2008 the Snohomish County age-adjusted unintentional poisoning mortality rate was significantly higher than the Washington State rate.



Snohomish County					Washington State		
Year	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹	95% C.I. ²	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹
1999	45	591,590	7.1	(5.1, 9.6)	415	5,830,835	7.0
2000	46	606,024	7.2	(5.2, 9.7)	420	5,894,141	6.9
2001	30	618,600	4.6	(3.1, 6.7)	381	5,974,900	6.2
2002	59	627,974	8.7	(6.6, 11.4)	494	6,041,710	8.0
2003	67	637,500	10.0	(7.8, 12.8)	539	6,098,300	8.6
2004	82	644,811	12.0	(9.6, 15.0)	626	6,167,800	9.8
2005	84	655,800	12.1	(9.6, 15.1)	679	6,256,400	10.4
2006	89	671,836	12.8	(10.3, 15.9)	745	6,375,600	11.3
2007	98	686,300	13.6	(11.1, 16.7)	801	6,488,000	11.9
2008	114	696,629	15.7	(12.9, 18.9)	846	6,587,600	12.4

¹ The age-adjusted rate is used to compare rates between two or more populations that have different underlying age distributions. By adjusting the rate for age, differences in the mortality rate between different regions or years cannot be explained by different age distributions in the populations being compared.

² 95% Confidence Interval: A confidence interval is a range of values that has a specified probability of containing the rate. Narrow confidence intervals indicate that rate is precisely estimated, while wider confidence intervals indicate that the estimated rate is less precisely estimated.