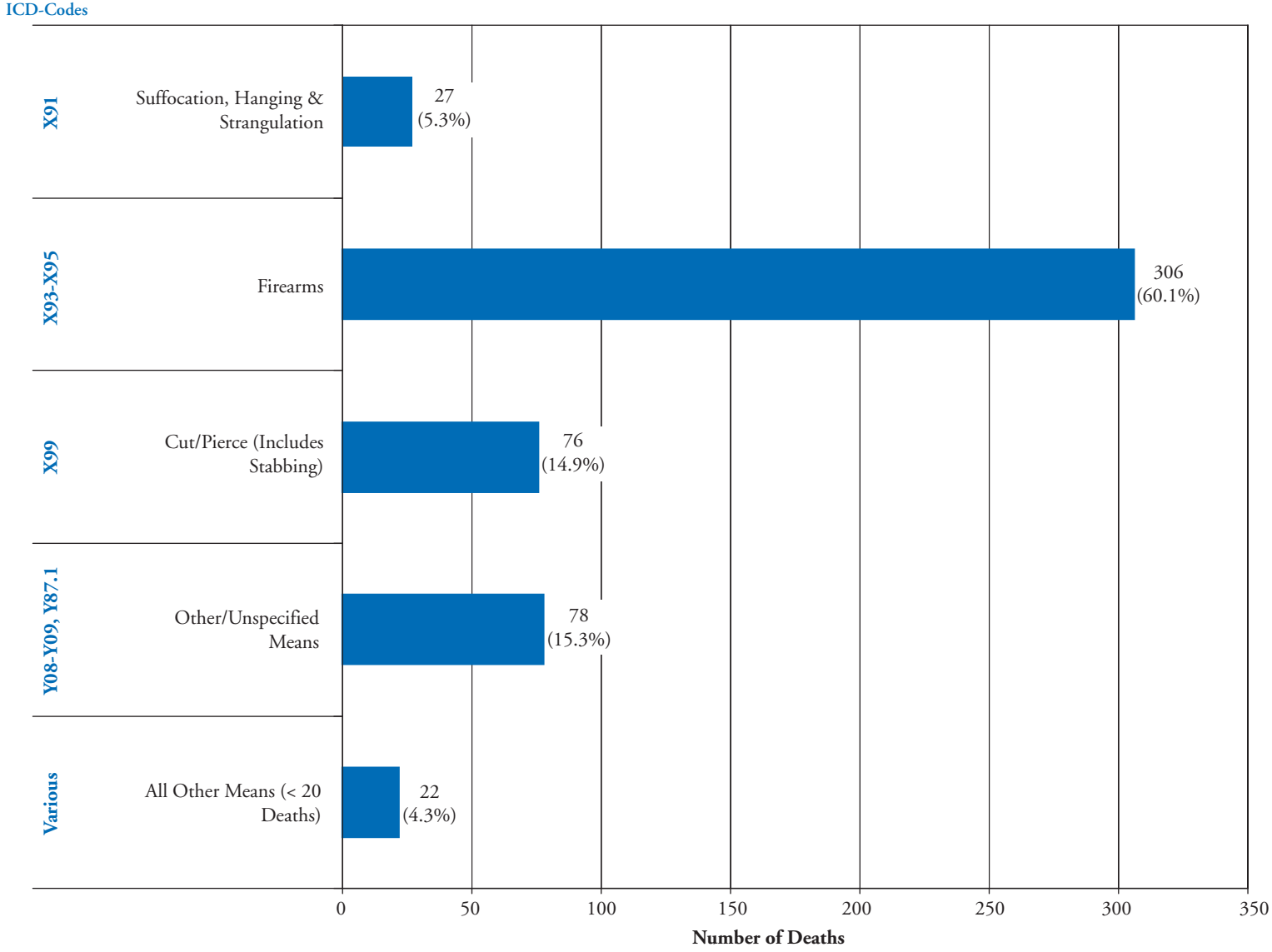


Homicide Deaths

- Homicide was the sixth leading cause of injury deaths in Connecticut between 2000 – 2004, with 509 homicide deaths, for an average of 102 homicides per year
- Firearms accounted for 60% (306) of all homicide deaths during this period; cutting/stabbing resulted in another 15% (76).
 - » An additional 15% (78) of homicide deaths were classified under “Other” or “Unspecified”
- The cities and towns with the highest number of homicide deaths among residents were: Hartford (101), Bridgeport (74), New Haven (66), Waterbury (29), East Hartford (13), Stamford (13), New Britain (11), and Norwich (10)
- Over two-thirds (67%) of all homicide deaths in Connecticut occurred between the ages of 15 – 39 years, peaking in the 25 – 29 age group
- Nearly 3 out of every 4 homicides involving infants and close to half of all homicides in the elderly (65+) were registered on state death certificates without identifying the cause or “mechanism” of death
- Males accounted for 3 out of every 4 homicides, with the exception of females ages 5 – 14 years and 85+ years. In all age groups, males had higher rates of homicides compared to their female counterparts
- Firearms were more than twice as likely to be the cause of homicide death among males than females
- Homicide death rates were over twice as high for Non-Hispanic Blacks (13.0 per 100,000 population) as for Hispanics (6.1 per 100,000 population); nearly 11 times higher for Non-Hispanic Blacks (13.0 per 100,000 population) as for Non-Hispanic Whites (1.2 per 100,000 population)
- In Connecticut, Counties with the largest cities tended to have the highest homicide death rates: Hartford County (4.0 per 100,000 population) exhibited the highest homicide death rate, followed by New Haven (3.3 per 100,000 population) and Fairfield (2.8 per 100,000 population)
- Over 18% of homicide victims were declared dead on arrival; 19% died in the home, and nearly 22% of homicide victims died in the emergency department

Figure 69
Homicide* Deaths by Mechanism
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
 (n = 509; average = 102/year)



*ICD-10 Codes: See Appendix

Figure 70
Homicide Death Rates by Mechanism & Age
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
 (n = 509; average = 102/year)

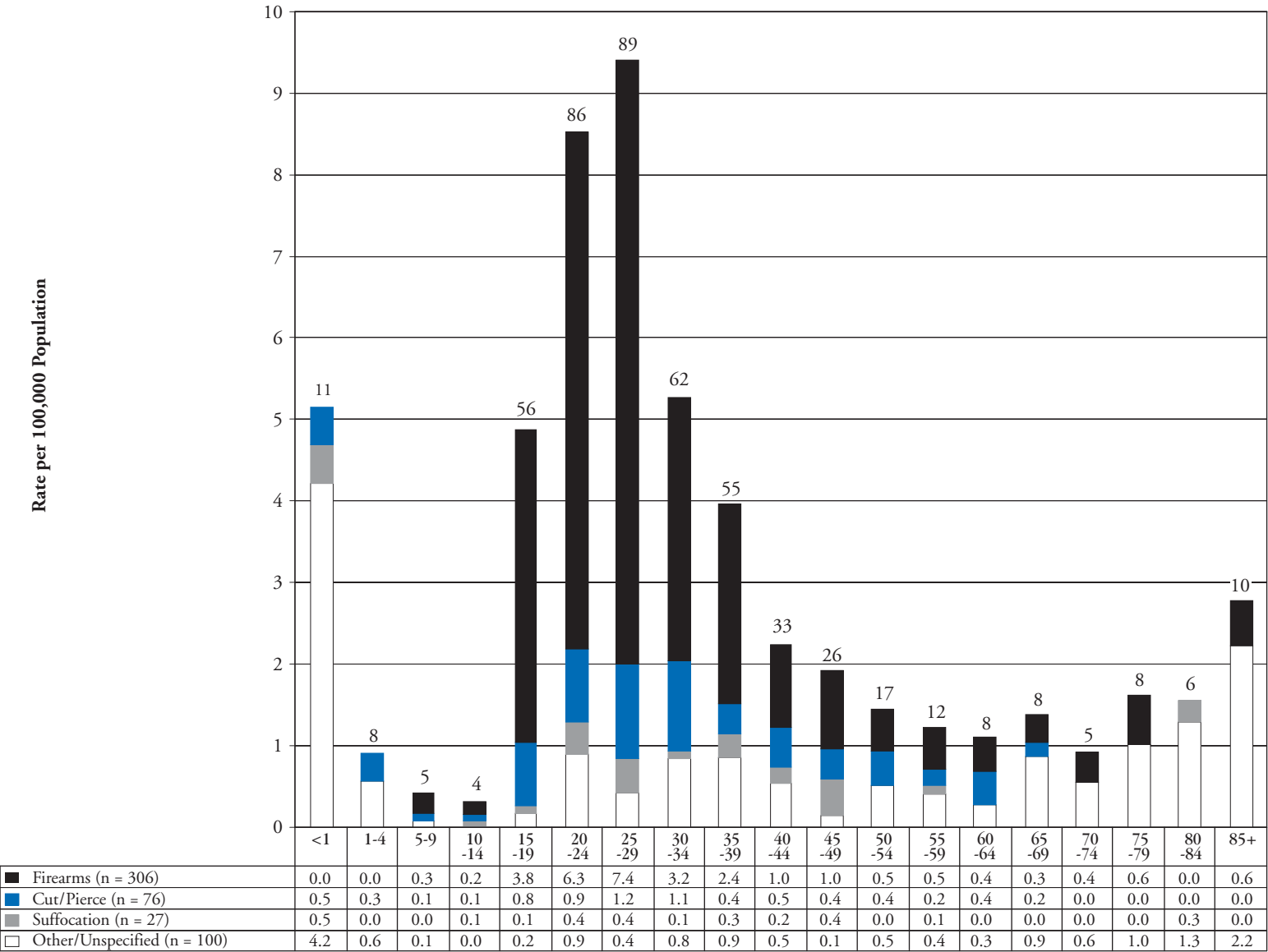


Figure 71
Homicide Death Rates by Age & Sex
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004
 (n = 509; average = 102/year)

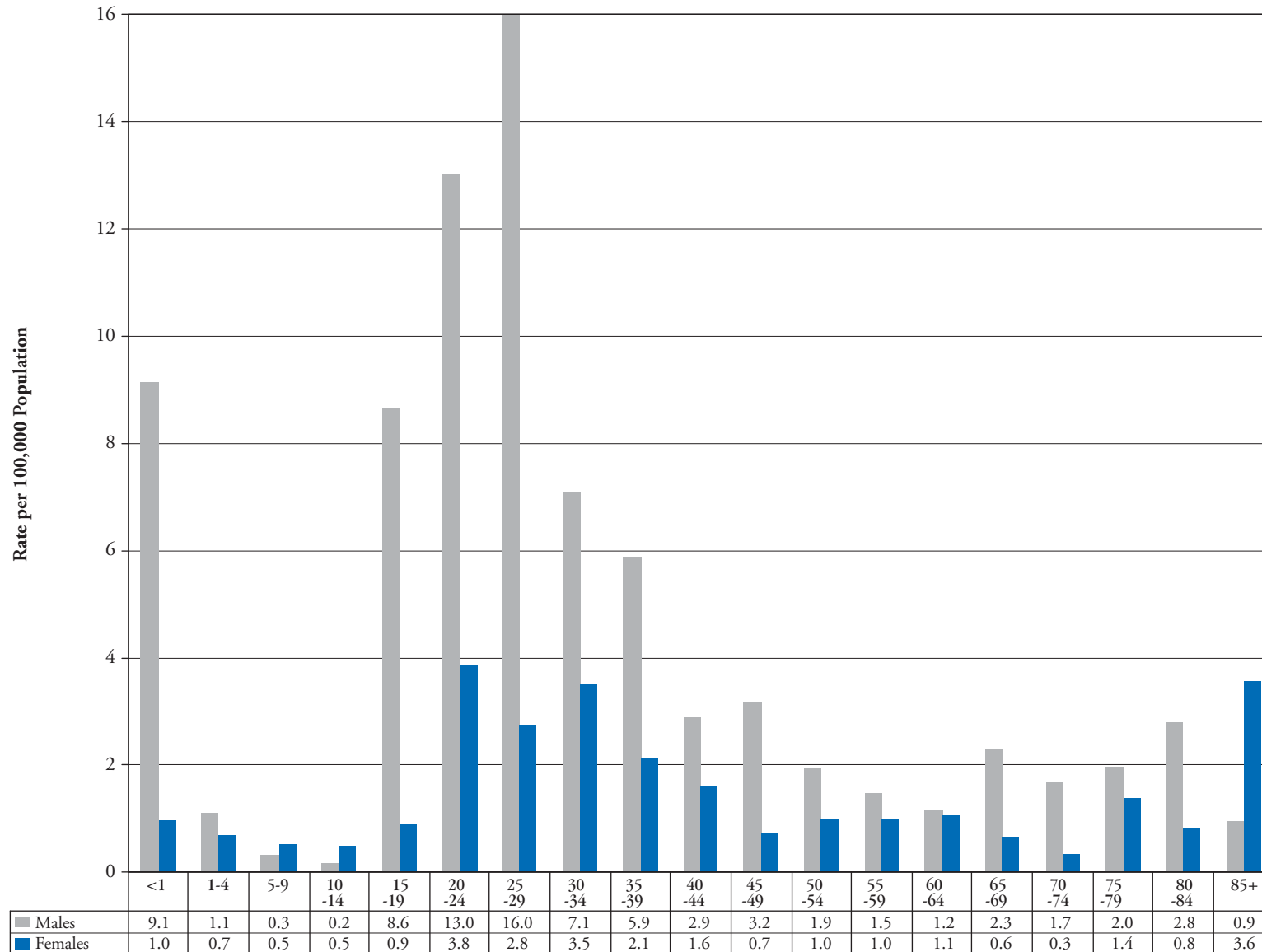


Figure 72
Homicide Death Rates per 100,000 Population
by Sex, Race/Ethnicity & County of Residence
Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004

