

TABLE 8-11. Reasons Given for Suicide Attempts, by Age and Sex, Oregon Minors, 1999

Reasons	Total	Sex		Age		
		Male	Female	≤12	13-14	15-17
Total						
Number	671	161	510	49	180	442
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Family Discord						
Number	445	105	340	38	119	288
Percent	66.3	65.2	66.7	77.6	66.1	65.2
School-Related Problems						
Number	177	44	133	13	57	107
Percent	26.4	27.3	26.1	26.5	31.7	24.2
Argument with Boy/Girlfriend						
Number	129	27	102	2	21	106
Percent	19.2	16.8	20.0	4.1	11.7	24.0
Peer Pressure/Conflict						
Number	59	12	47	9	21	29
Percent	8.8	7.5	9.2	18.4	11.7	6.6
Substance Abuse						
Number	58	25	33	1	13	44
Percent	8.6	15.5	6.5	2.0	7.2	10.0
Problems with the Law						
Number	53	28	25	4	12	37
Percent	7.9	17.4	4.9	8.2	6.7	8.4
Move or New School						
Number	43	16	27	5	13	25
Percent	6.4	9.9	5.3	10.2	7.2	5.7
Rape or Sexual Abuse						
Number	41	2	39	–	8	33
Percent	6.1	1.2	7.6	–	4.4	7.5
Death of Family Member/Friend						
Number	34	11	23	4	4	26
Percent	5.1	6.8	4.5	8.2	2.2	5.9
Physical Abuse						
Number	31	9	22	4	13	14
Percent	4.6	5.6	4.3	8.2	7.2	3.2
Suicide by Friend/Relative						
Number	20	5	15	3	8	9
Percent	3.0	3.1	2.9	6.1	4.4	2.0
Pregnancy						
Number	9	–	9	–	1	8
Percent	1.3	–	1.8	–	0.6	1.8
Other Reasons						
Number	108	26	82	7	34	67
Percent	16.1	16.1	16.1	14.3	18.9	15.2

Note: Reports with unknown reasons for suicide attempts are not included in this table. Percentages do not sum to 100 because more than one reason may have been given. The category "Suicide by friend/relative" includes suicide attempts.

– Quantity is 0.