

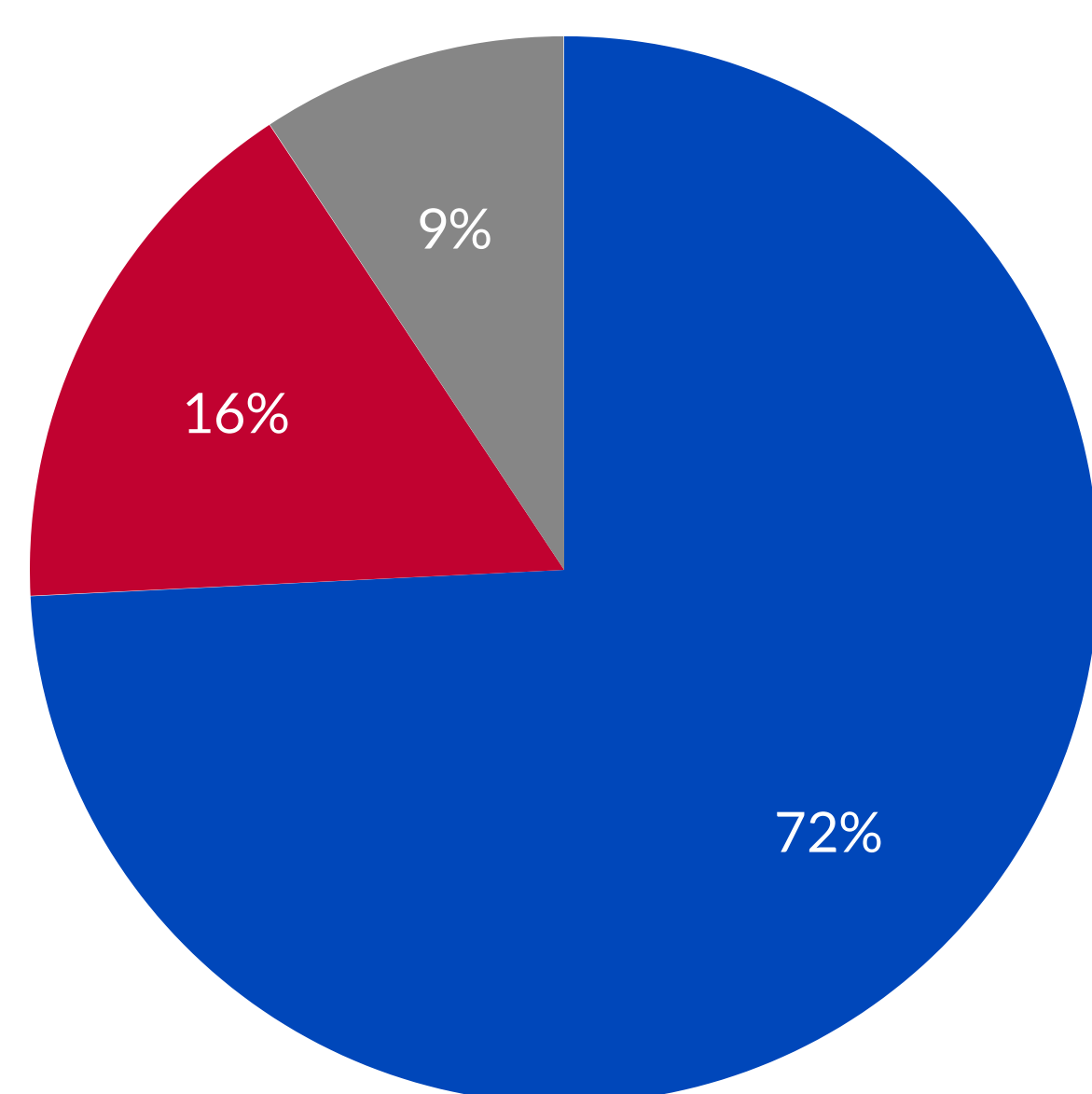
# Veteran Suicide in Deschutes County

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## One-fifth of all suicide deaths in Deschutes County occur among Veterans

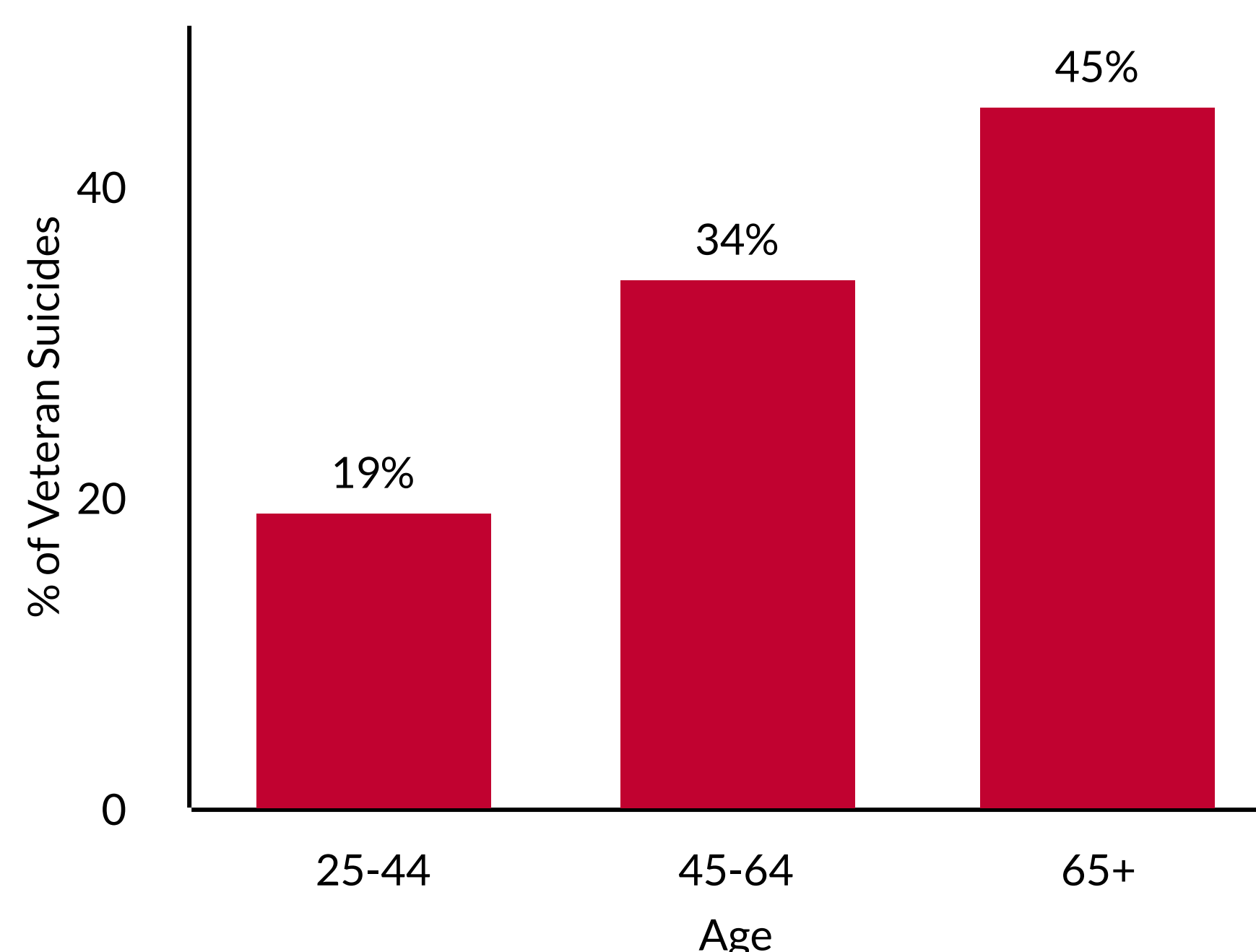
Mechanism of Death among Veteran Suicide Decedents, Deschutes County, OR, 2003-2017



■ Firearm ■ Poisoning  
■ Hanging/Strangulation/Suffocation

Data source: Oregon Violent Death Reporting System

Veteran Suicide Decedents by Age, Deschutes County, OR, 2003-2017



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### Interpersonal Problems & Life Stressors\*

- 1/3 of Veteran suicide decedents had an **intimate partner problem**
- 1/3 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **financial problem**
- 1/3 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **physical health problem**
- Every 1 in 10 Veteran suicide decedents had a **criminal/legal problem**

### Mental Health Status\*

- 1/3 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **mental health problem**
- 1/2 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **depressed mood**
- 1/4 of Veteran suicide decedents were engaged in **mental illness treatment**
- 1/3 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **substance problem**
- Every 1 in 7 of Veteran suicide decedents had a **suicide attempt history**

For resources & more information visit [www.deschutes.org/suicideprevention](http://www.deschutes.org/suicideprevention)

\*at time of death