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THE STATE OF STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH IN PA



117,000

Pennsylvania adolescents (ages 6-17) struggle with a major depressive order, and only **HALF** receive treatment...¹



7 IN 10



YOUTH IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER⁵



SUICIDE IS THE 2ND LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH

...in young adults ages 10-24, accounting for 7,126 deaths in 2021 alone.²



1:3,416 IS THE CURRENT RATIO OF SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS TO STUDENTS IN PA

...and the recommended ratio is 1:250.³



50% OF ALL MENTAL ILLNESS

...begins at the age of 14 and 75% at the age of 24.⁴



¹ Inseparable. (2022). America's School Mental Health Report Card. <https://www.inseparable.us/SchoolMentalHealthReportCard.pdf>

² Centers for Disease Control. 2023, May 9. Disparities in Suicide. <https://www.inseparable.us/SchoolMentalHealthReportCard.pdf>

³ Inseparable. (2022). America's School Mental Health Report Card. <https://www.inseparable.us/SchoolMentalHealthReportCard.pdf>

⁴ NAMI-Keystone. 2021, February. Pennsylvania State Fact Sheet. <https://www.inseparable.us/SchoolMentalHealthReportCard.pdf>

⁵ Ibid