



**Motor Vehicle Crashes** The combined three-county motor vehicle death rate is worse than the national rate, attributable to relatively high rates in LaPorte and Porter counties.

## Bicycle Safety

Compared to kids nationwide, children in Northwest Indiana are much less likely to wear bicycle helmets.

## Violent Crime

Adults in Northwest Indiana are more likely to report being a victim of a violent crime than their national counterparts.

## Homicide & Suicide

Overall, the suicide death rate in Northwest Indiana is better than reported nationwide, although the Porter County rate is slightly higher than average. In contrast, homicide death rates are higher in Lake and LaPorte counties.

Injury and Violence	NW IN	US	HP2010
% Victim of Violent Crime Past 5 Yrs	5.4	2.8	
% Child "Always" Wears Bicycle Helmet (5-17)	20.5	43.2	
Age-Adjusted Homicide Deaths/100,000	14.1	6.1	3
Age-Adjusted MV Accident Deaths/100,000	15.8	15.7	9.2

## Injury and Violence

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% Homes w/Unlocked Loaded Firearm	14.7	16
% Firearm in Home	29.6	31.6
% Victim of Domestic Violence in Past 5 Yrs	3.3	
% Homes With Children With a Firearm	28.6	
% Child (5-17) "Always" Use Seat Belt	94.9	92
% "Always" Wear Seat Belt	77.4	92
% Child (<5) "Always" Use Auto Child Restraint	93.2	100
Age-Adjusted All Accident Deaths/100,000	36.9	17.5
Age-Adjusted Other Accident Deaths/100,000	21.2	8.3
Age-Adjusted Suicide Deaths/100,000	10.9	5