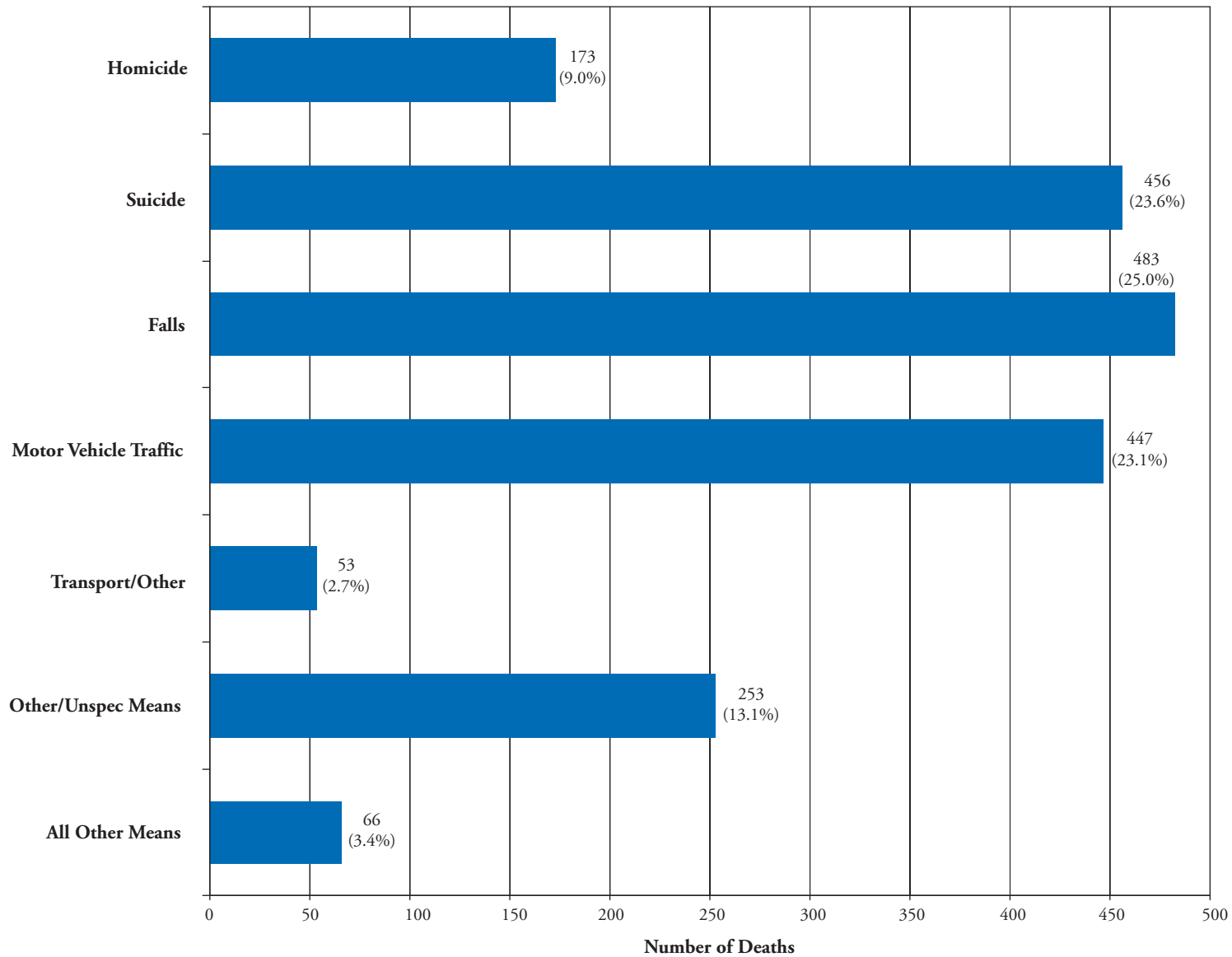


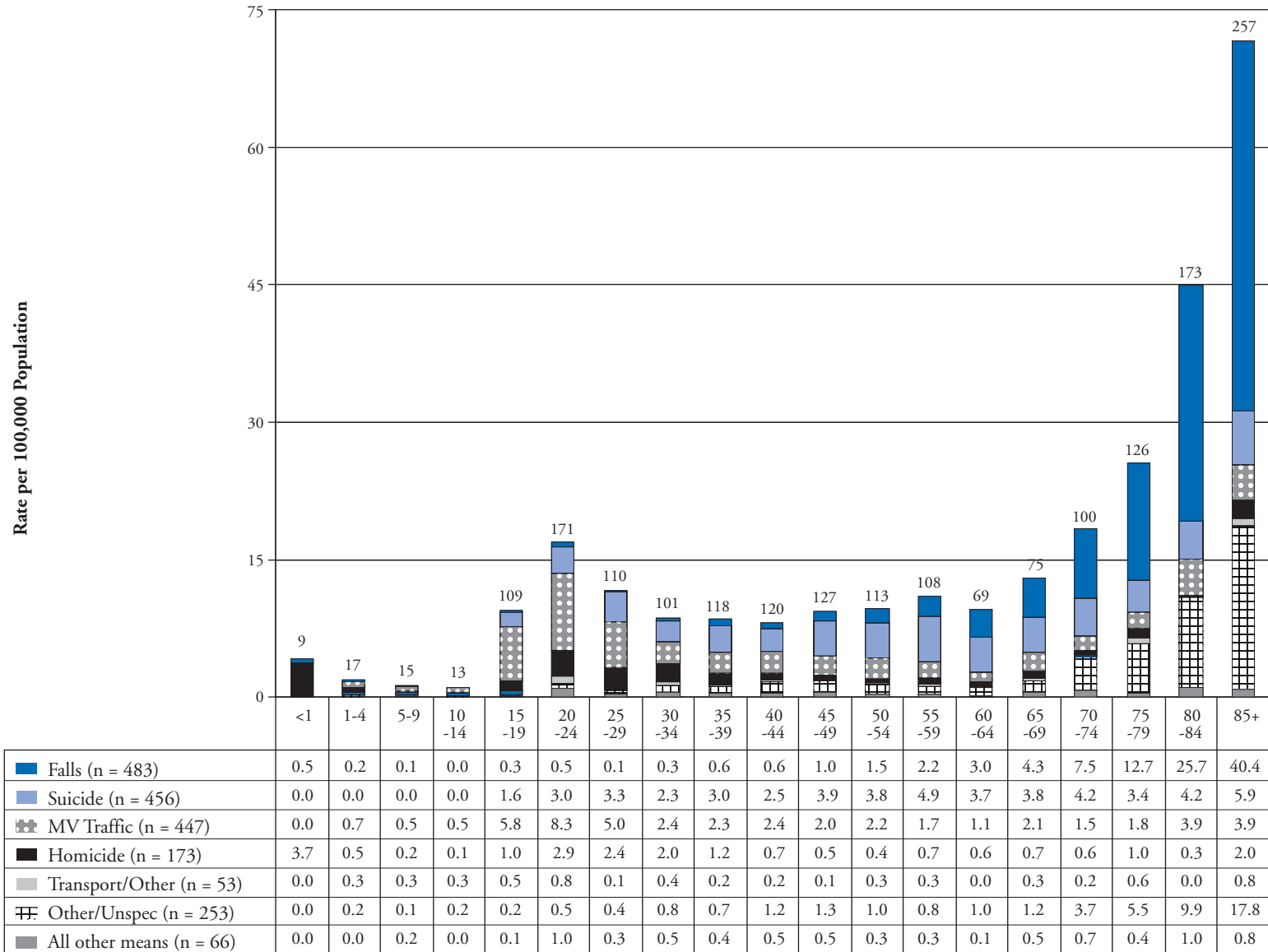
## Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Deaths

- Close to 2,000 injury deaths in Connecticut involved Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) during the period 2000 – 2004. Nearly 75% of all TBI-related deaths were due to only three causes: falls (25.0%), suicides (23.6%) and motor vehicle crashes (23.1%)
- The cities and towns with the highest number of TBI-related deaths among residents were Hartford (103), New Haven (89), Bridgeport (83), Waterbury (73), Stamford (60), New Britain (46), and West Hartford (40)
- The distribution of age-specific rates for TBI-related deaths reflected some of the key characteristics of its principal component parts: the extremely high rates among the elderly (falls), the peak among teens and young adults (motor vehicle crashes and suicide), and the increase in rates in middle age (suicide)
- Males registered a TBI-related death rate roughly 3 – 5 times higher than females for every age group, and for the overall population, male death rates from TBI were three times higher than females
- Non-Hispanic Whites and Blacks had very similar death rates from TBI (11.1 and 10.9, respectively), rates that were approximately four times the rate of Non-Hispanics of Other Races, and around 35% higher than among the Hispanic population
- Death rates by county of residence showed little variation in their distribution, ranging from 9.9 per 100,000 population in Fairfield and Tolland Counties to 12.1 and 12.3 per 100,000 population in Litchfield and New London Counties, respectively
- In nearly half of all TBI-related deaths, death was pronounced in the hospital for either inpatient (38.1%) or emergency department (10.8%) visits

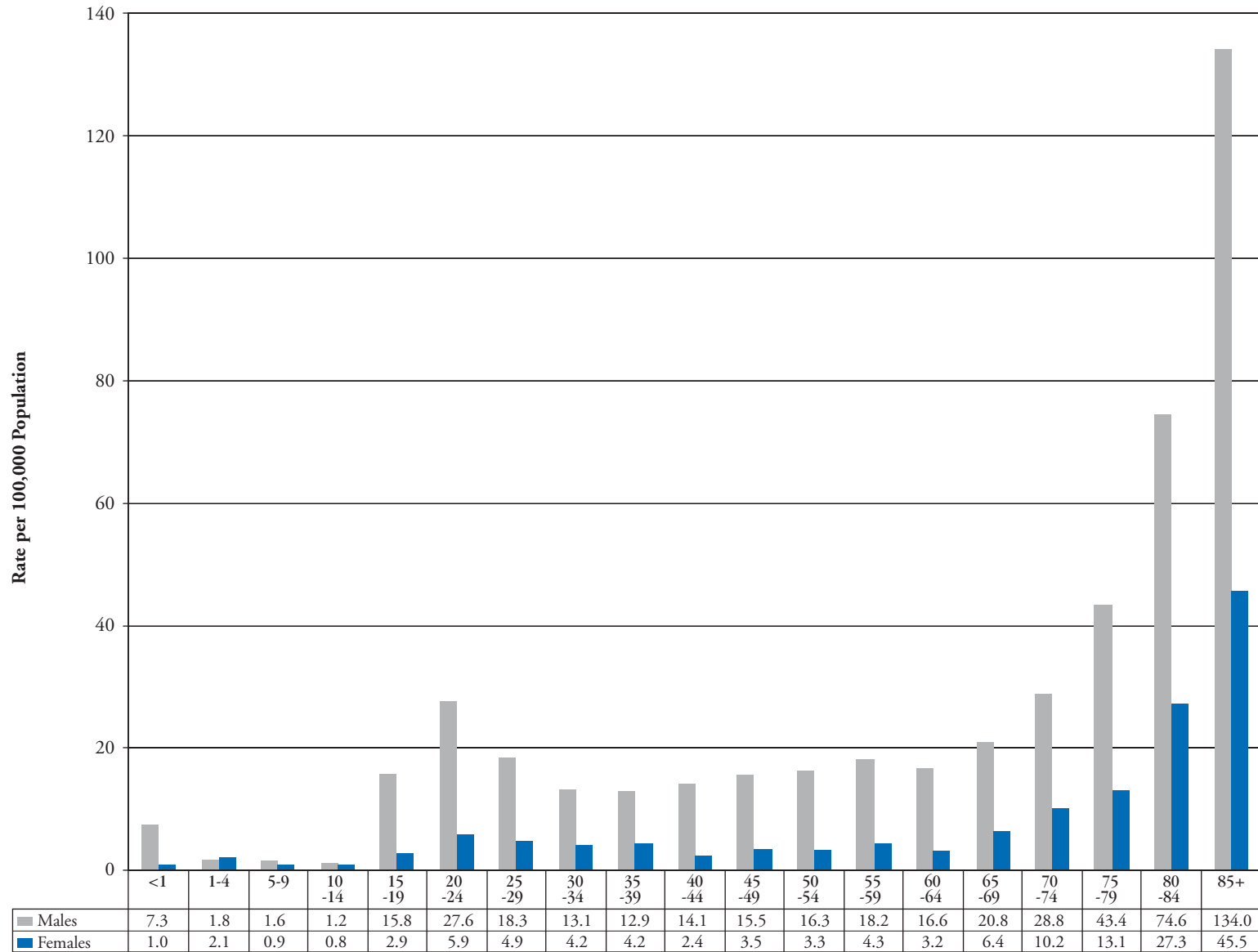
**Figure 56**  
**Traumatic Brain Injury Deaths by Mechanism**  
**Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004**  
 (n = 1,931; average = 386/year)



**Figure 57**  
**TBI Death Rates by Mechanism & Age**  
**Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004**  
 (n = 1,931; average = 386/year)



**Figure 58**  
**TBI Death Rates by Age & Sex**  
**Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004**  
 (n = 1,931; average = 386/year)



**Figure 59**  
**TBI Death Rates per 100,000 Population**  
**by Sex, Race/Ethnicity & County of Residence**  
**Connecticut Residents, 2000 - 2004**

