## Self-harm Registry data, Northern Ireland 2020/21

Note: This is the first full year of data collected during the COVID-19 pandemic



12,501

attendances at Emergency Departments for self-harm and/or ideation\*

7,766 self-harm presentations

55% female

4,735 ideation presentations

38% female

45% male

62% male

of all type 1 & 2\*\* ED hospital attendances

2%

31% admitted to general hospital

attendances
leave ED
before seen

attendances were by people experiencing

homelessness

**11%** 

attendances were under 18 years old

## Self-harm

Self-harm rate is 303 per 100,000 population

Females
Self-harm rates higher

within 12 months

Self-harm rates highest among 15-19 year olds





Alcohol involved in 40% of self-harm attendances

## Ideation

Ideation rate is 190 per 100,000 population

**Females** 

Ideation rates highest among 20-24 year olds





Alcohol involved in 41% of ideation attendances

## **Help and Support**

- If you are affected by these issues speak to your GP who can arrange appropriate referrals.
- If you or someone else is in immediate danger of suicide or you require urgent medical attention, please call **999** or attend a hospital emergency department.
- Lifeline is Northern Ireland's crisis response helpline. Call **0808 808 8000** for free 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Deaf people and those with hearing difficulties can Textphone **18001 0808 808 8000** www.lifelinehelpline.info
- For information on other support services visit www.mindingyourhead.info

\*Ideation includes thoughts of self-harm and / or suicide, where no physical act has taken place

Type 2 ED: A consultant-led service with designated accommodation for the reception of emergency care patients, but which does not provide both emergency medicine and emergency surgical services and/or has time-limited opening hours.

Most recent published annual report available at: Northern Ireland Registry of Self-harm Regional Report 2020/21 & 2021/22 | HSC Public Health Agency (hscni.net)

<sup>\*\*</sup>Type 1 ED: A consultant-led service with designated accommodation for the reception of emergency care patients, providing both emergency medicine and emergency surgical services 24 hours a day.