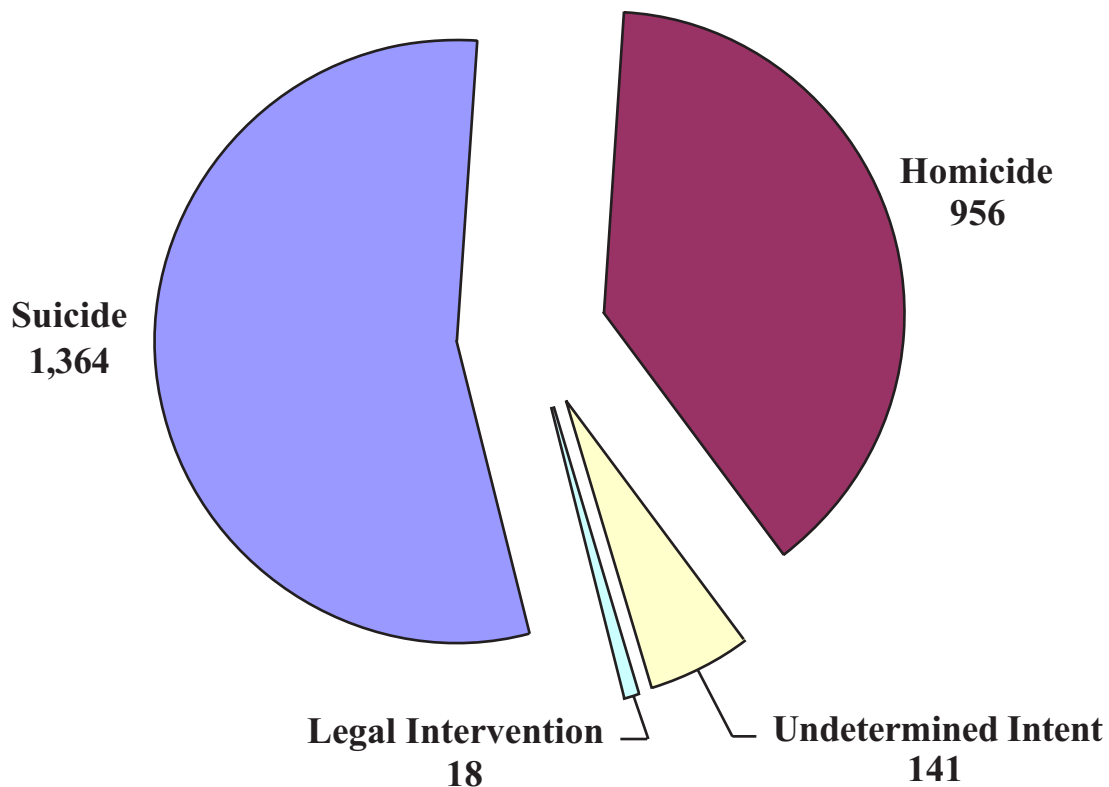


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## Deaths Due to Violence in New York State, 1998



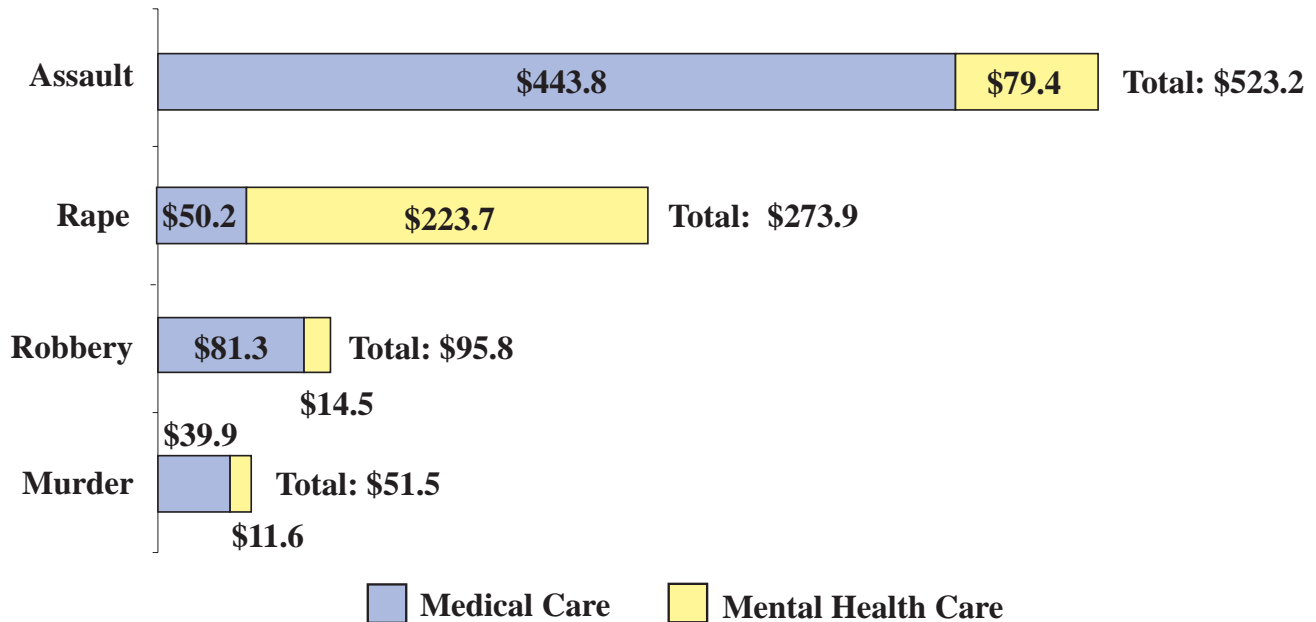
*Source: United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*

In 1998, there were 2,479 deaths recorded in New York State, due to violence or intentional injuries. “Intentional injuries” -- such as homicide, suicide, and intimate partner violence -- are listed among the leading causes of death and disability by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. “Legal intervention” is when death is caused by police or other legal authorities during law enforcement activities. “Undetermined intent” is when the cause is unknown, but it is certain that the death was intentional or violent.

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## Health-Care Costs of Violent Crime in New York, 1995 (millions of 1997 dollars)



Medical care includes payments for hospital and physician care, as well as emergency medical transport, rehabilitation, prescriptions, allied health services, medical devices, and insurance claims processing. In cases of fatalities, the estimates also include coroner and premature burial costs. Mental health care includes payments for services by psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, pastoral counselors, and insurance claims processing.

*Source: Children's Safety Network Economics and Insurance Resource Center, at the National Public Services Research Institute.*

Health-care costs related to violent crime in New York State totaled \$946.4 million in 1995, or more than 8 percent of the total costs in the U.S., according to national estimates.

"Although the greatest cost of injury is in human suffering and loss, the financial cost of injury (intentional and unintentional) is estimated at more than \$224 billion, an increase of 42 percent in the last decade," according to the [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#). "These costs include direct medical care and rehabilitation costs as well as lost wages and productivity losses." Private sources -- particularly insurance -- pay about 72 percent of the cost of injuries and taxpayer-based programs pay the remainder, according to the CDC.



### Some useful sites for more information on violence

- [Violence/Suicide - U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [Violence Prevention Links - Injury Prevention Web](#)
- [United States Department of Justice](#)