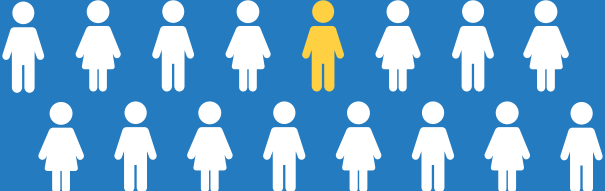


The Childhood Bereavement Estimation Model (CBEM)¹ approximates rates of U.S. children and youth who will experience the death of a parent or sibling by the time they reach adulthood. Results from the CBEM are updated annually using national, state, and regional vital statistics.² This report **uses data from 2016 to 2020**, the most recent years of data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

Iowa 2022

1 in 16

children in Iowa will experience the death of a parent or sibling by age 18



45TH

CBEM RANKING BY STATE[†]

6.3% ~ 46K

children will be bereaved by age 18
LOWER than national rate of 7.7%



& MORE THAN DOUBLES

117K

youth will be bereaved by age 25

↑ Why Did Rates Increase? The increase in *projected* childhood bereavement rates reflects differences in adult mortality for specific causes of death, including COVID-19. Learn more in the 2022 CBEM National Report.

Leading Causes of Death in Iowa²

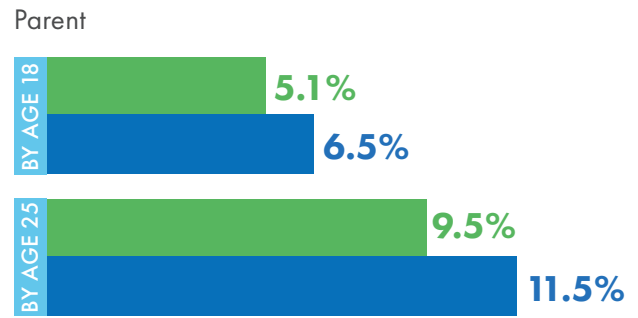
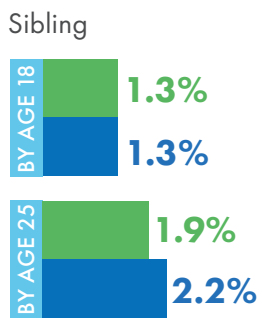
Percentages reflect the proportion of total deaths caused by each of the leading causes for youth and adults according to the CDC.

Youth Ages 0 - 24 [‡]		Adults Ages 25 - 60 [‡]
Accidents (27.1%)	#1	Cancer (23.2%)
Conditions Related to Birth (14.9%)	#2	Heart Disease (18.8%)
Suicide (13.4%)	#3	Accidents (13.3%)
Birth Defects (10.5%)	#4	Suicide (7.2%)
Homicide (5.2%)	#5	Liver Disease (4.3%)

Death of a Sibling & Death of a Parent

The CBEM provides separate, independent estimates for youth who will experience the death of a parent or the death of a sibling.

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*Please see the CBEM Technical Appendix for additional information.

[†] States and D.C. ranked from (1) highest CBEM rate to (51) lowest CBEM rate.
[‡] Age ranges for leading causes of death align with CBEM analyses for youth ages 0 to 25.



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