

“Suicid in Yemen”

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The Information and Opinion Survey Unit at “Yemen Information Center” conducted a survey in the second half of February 2023 on the phenomenon of suicide in Yemen. The aim of the survey was to study the extent of its prevalence and to find out the motives and possible solutions from the point of view of a sample of Yemeni society.

The survey was conducted on a research sample of 483 people. 81% of the participants were males and 19% females.

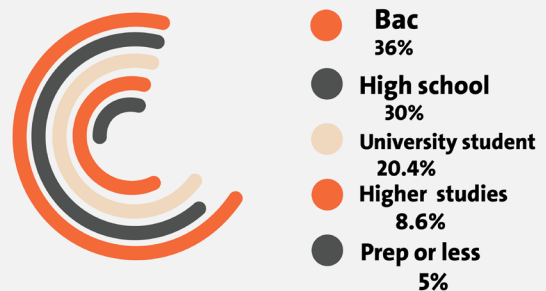
The age groups of the respondents were 45.6% young people aged 18-25 years old, 34% were 26-35 years old, 17% were 36-45 years old, and only 3.4% were 46-65 years old.

Regarding the academic qualification, 36% of the participants hold a bachelor’s degree, 30% hold a high school diploma, 20.4% are university students, 8.6% are postgraduate students, and only 5% hold a preparatory certificate.

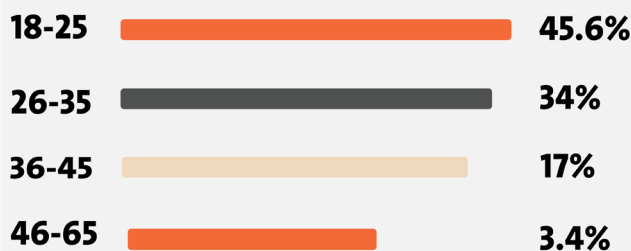
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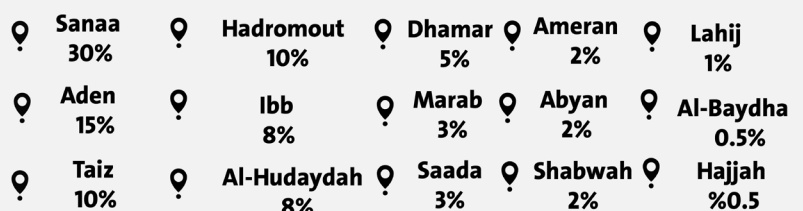
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Age

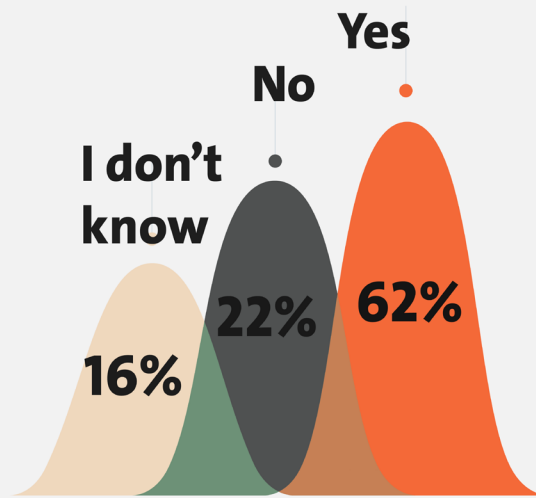


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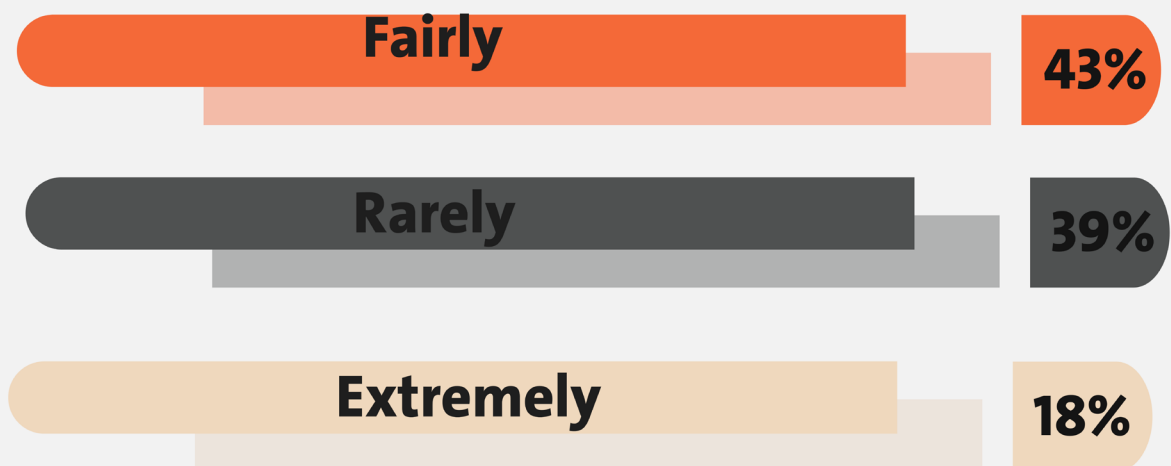
62.1% of the participants believe that the phenomenon of suicide is widespread in the Yemeni society. 22.2% denied the existence of any suicides in Yemen. Only 15.7% said they had no idea about the topic.

Do you think that suicide is widespread in Yemen?



Regarding the extent of the phenomenon's spread, 43.4% believe that its spread in Yemen is average, 39% believe that it is limited, and 17.6% said that it is high.

How widespread is the phenomenon of suicide in Yemen?



With regard to the reasons behind the spread of the phenomenon of suicide in Yemen, 85% attributed this to the conflict in Yemen. However, 15% believe that the prevalence of suicide in Yemen is due to other reasons, as follows:

Poverty 64%.

Societal pressures 52%.

Weakness of religious faith 48%.

Neglect of mental health 31%.

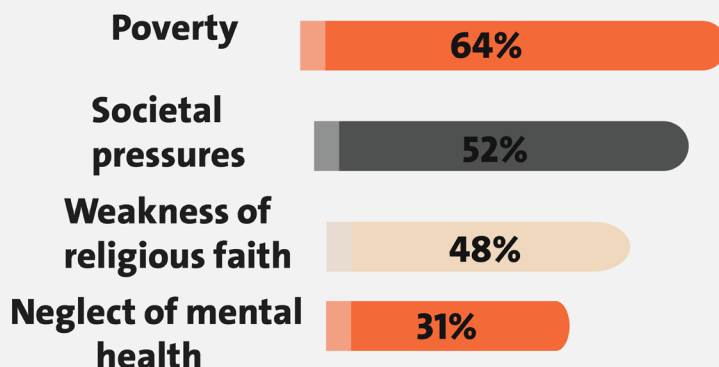
Do you think that the ongoing conflict in Yemen is a reason behind the spread of suicide?

 %15

 %85

Why do people commit suicide?

Because of:



When we asked them if they had experienced any suicidal ideation or symptoms of any mental disorders that might lead to suicide, 57% of the participants replied that they had suffered from suicidal ideation or symptoms of any mental disorders. For the other 43%, they said that they had never experienced any suicidal thoughts or any symptoms of mental disorders.

Have you ever had suicidal thoughts or symptoms of a mental disorder?



No



Yes

According to the results of the survey, young people between 18 and 25 years old are the most likely to commit suicide by 67%. They are followed by those between 26 and 45 by 31%. Only 2% for those who are 45 years old and over.

What age group is most likely to commit suicide?

