

**Short Note on Number and Percentage of Male-  
Female Suicides in India from 1970 to 2019**

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Percentage of suicides in 50 years by males has increased from 60% (in 1970) to 70% (in 2019) where as for the same years suicides by females has decreased from 40% (in 1970) to 30% (in 2019). In 30 years (till 1999) there was not much change in percentage of suicides by males and females. But from 2000, suicides being 61% for males increased to 70% (in 2019) for males and decreased from 39% to 30% (in 2019) for females in 20 years as shown in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Number and Percentage of Male-Female Suicides in India during 1970 to 2019**

S. No.	Year	Number of Suicides			Percentage of Suicides	
		Total	Male	Female	Male	Female
1	1970	48428	28846	19582	60	40
2	1971	43675	26326	17349	60	40
3	1972	43601	26923	16678	62	38
4	1973	40807	25231	15576	62	38
5	1974	46008	27791	18217	60	40
6	1975	42890	26074	16816	61	39
7	1976	41415	24042	17373	58	42
8	1977	39718	23453	16265	59	41
9	1978	40207	24137	16070	60	40
10	1979	38217	22980	15237	60	40
11	1980	41663	24188	17475	58	42
12	1981	40245	23864	16381	59	41
13	1982	44732	26520	18212	59	41
14	1983	46579	27260	19319	59	41
15	1984	50571	29296	21275	58	42
16	1985	52811	30460	22351	58	42
17	1986	54357	31271	23086	58	42
18	1987	58568	34292	24276	59	41
19	1988	64270	37755	26515	59	41
20	1989	68744	40212	28532	58	42
21	1990	73911	43451	30460	59	41
22	1991	78450	46324	32126	59	41
23	1992	80149	47481	32668	59	41
24	1993	84244	49851	34393	59	41
25	1994	89195	52752	36443	59	41

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26	1995	89178	52357	36821	59	41
27	1996	88241	51206	37035	58	42
28	1997	95829	56281	39548	59	41
29	1998	104713	61686	43027	59	41
30	1999	110587	65488	45099	59	41
31	2000	108593	66032	42561	61	39
32	2001	108506	66314	42192	61	39
33	2002	110417	69332	41085	63	37
34	2003	110851	70221	40630	63	37
35	2004	113697	72651	41046	64	36
36	2005	113914	72916	40998	64	36
37	2006	118112	75702	42410	64	36
38	2007	122637	79295	43342	65	35
39	2008	125017	80544	44473	64	36
40	2009	127151	81471	45680	64	36
41	2010	134599	87180	47419	65	35
42	2011	135585	87839	47746	65	35
43	2012	135445	88453	46992	65	35
44	2013	134799	90543	44256	67	33
45	2014*	131666	89129	42521	68	32
46	2015*	133623	91528	42088	68	31
47	2016*	131008	88997	41997	68	32
48	2017*	129887	89019	40852	69	31
49	2018*	134516	92114	42391	68	32
50	2019*	139123	97610	41490	70	30

**N.B. \*There are few suicides by Transgenders – 16, 7, 14, 16, 11 and 23 for the years from 2014 to 2019 respectively. Suicides by Transgenders being very small number as compared to Total number of suicides, percentage is also very small (therefore not included in the above Table 1).  
Source: Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India 2019**