13-Year U.S. Dog Bite Fatality Chart - 2005 to 2017
Victims By Age Groups

During this 13-year period, 433 Americans suffered death due to dog bite injury. Newborns, infants and toddlers, ages 0-2 years old, made up 27% (115) of all fatal dog bite victims, the largest group and more than the 3-4 and 5-9 age groups combined. The highest age specific fatality rate is infants < 1 (55), making up 48% of all 0-2 victims. Children 0-9 accounted for 48% (208) of all dog bite fatality victims.

DogsBite.org is a national dog bite victims' group dedicated to reducing serious dog attacks. Through our work, we hope to protect both people and pets from future attacks. Our website contains a wide collection of data to help policymakers and citizens learn about dangerous dogs. Our research focuses on pit bull type dogs. Due to selective breeding practices that emphasize aggression and tenacity, this class of dogs negatively impacts communities the most.

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