

Alaskans pay a high price for getting hurt

At more than \$22,000 per incident

Cost to Alaska = \$94 million

Only includes injuries requiring hospitalization
Actual cost is much higher

One Year of Unintentional Injuries in Alaska

1999 Data		
Category	Injuries	Deaths
Falls	1505	22
Motor Vehicle Traffic	567	67
Cut	156	0
Snow Machine	141	4
Sports	128	0
Struck by Person/Object	118	4
Water Transport	116	1
ATV	112	4
Other	106	35
Bicycle	102	2
Pedestrian	99	10
Poisoning	83	49
Machinery	81	2
Frostbite/Hypothermia	64	12
Strain	57	0
Burn	55	0
Unintentional Firearm	50	3
Fire	48	7
Playground Equipment Fall	31	0
Caught between Objects	29	0
Other Animal Injury	29	2
Sledding	27	0
Swallowing Foreign Body	27	0
Dogbite	23	2
Animal Ride	22	0
Drowning/Near Drowning	22	56
Airplane	15	35
Explosion	15	1
Eyepoke	8	0
Suffocation	8	9
Total	3,844	327
Cost to Alaska	\$86,272,892	\$7,339,031

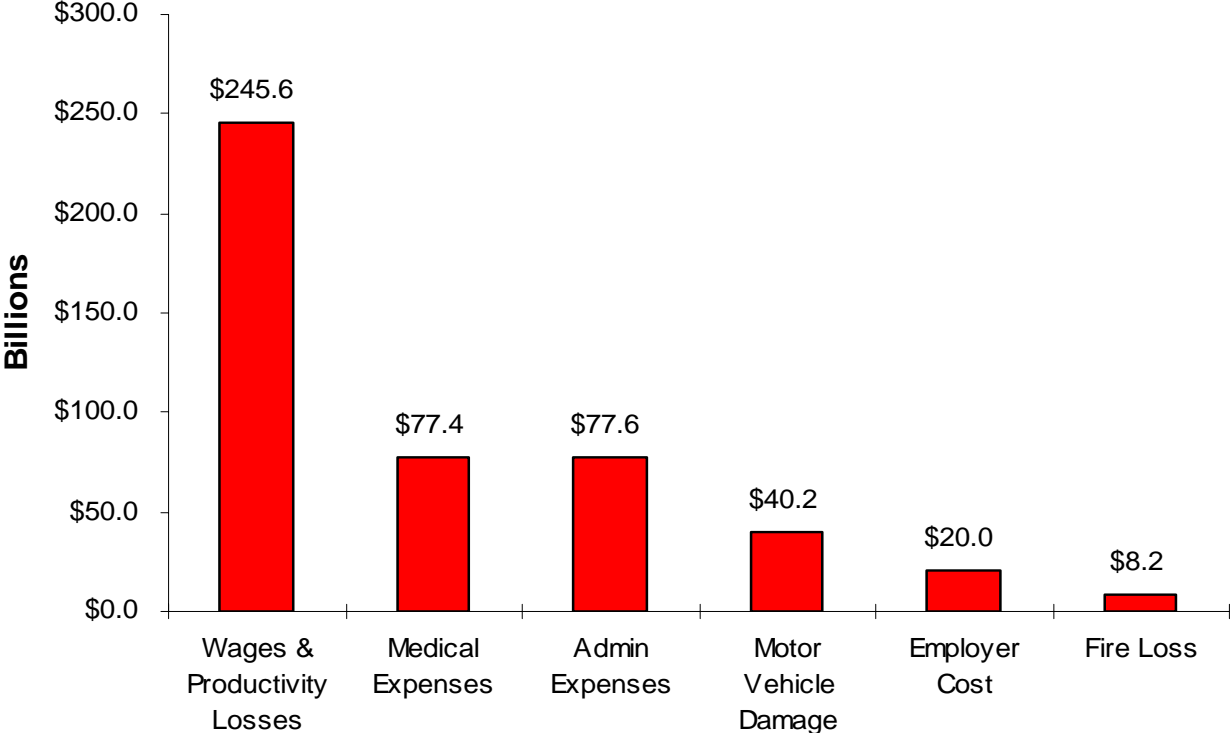
Sources: Deaths - Alaska Bureau of Vital Statistics; Injuries - Alaska Trauma Registry, data from 24 Alaska hospitals, includes Alaska non-residents

Nationwide cost of unintentional injuries

1999 US Unintentional Injuries

	Motor Vehicle	Home	Public	Work	Total
Deaths	41,300	28,600	24,100	2,900	96,900
Injuries	2,200,000	6,900,000	8,000,000	3,700,000	20,800,000

Cost of Unintentional Injuries: \$469 Billion



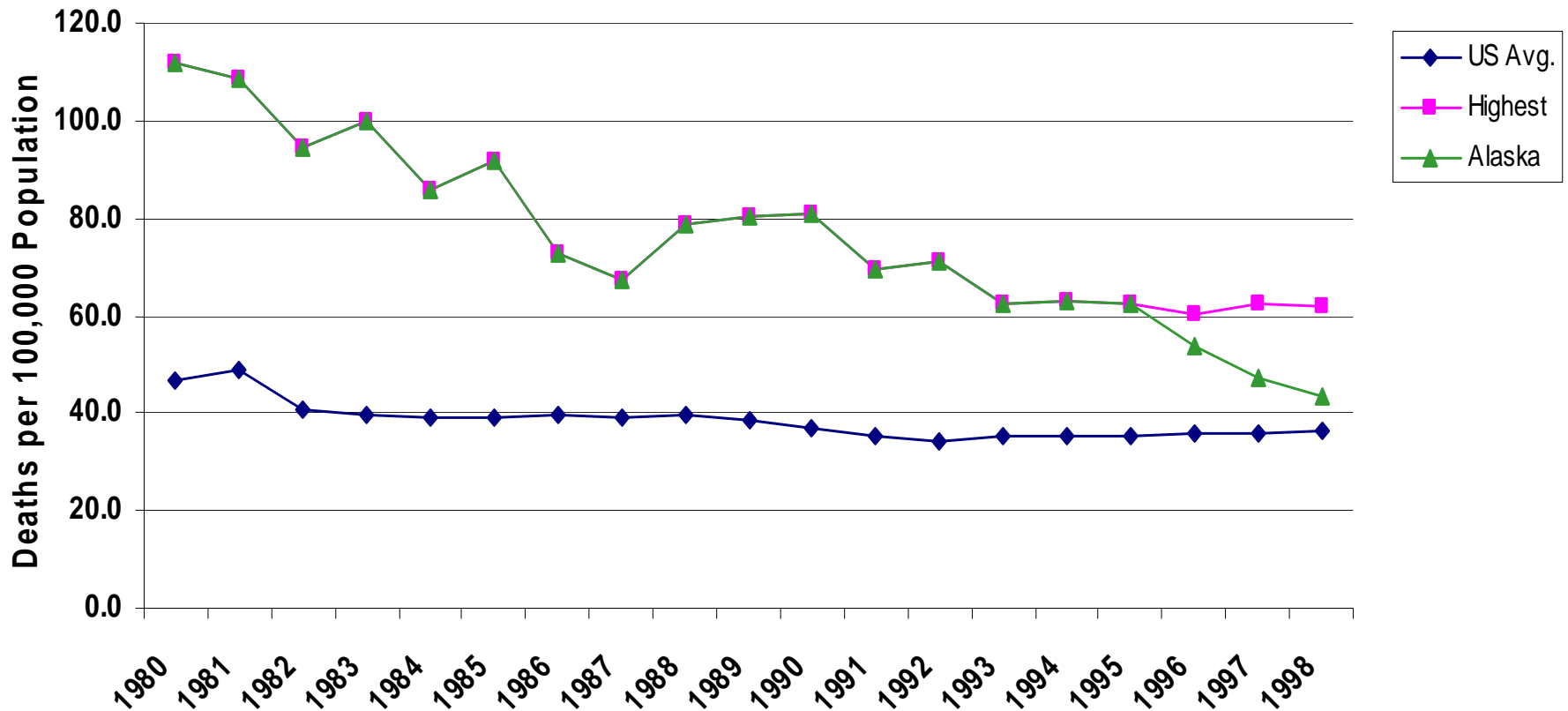
Average Cost per Incident = \$22,444

Source: National Safety Council

Alaska's safety record continues to improve!

Alaska Unintentional Injuries

Alaska had the highest rate in the US for 16 years but has dropped steadily since 1996 to 21st place

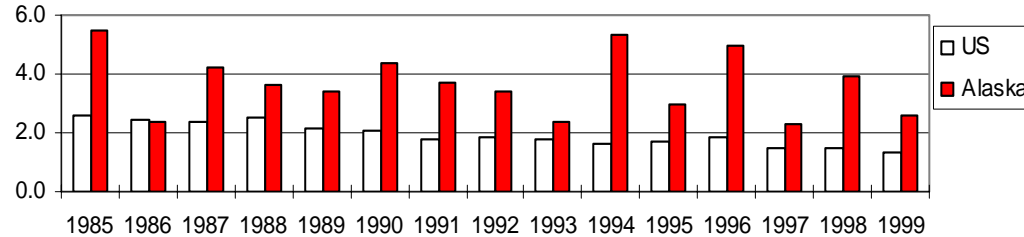


In 1998, Alaska's rate of 43.4 was down 61% from 1980

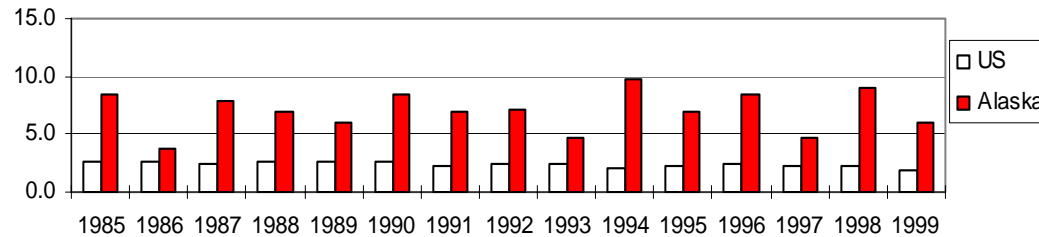
Source: National Safety Council

Alaska's fire incident rates & costs exceed the US national average

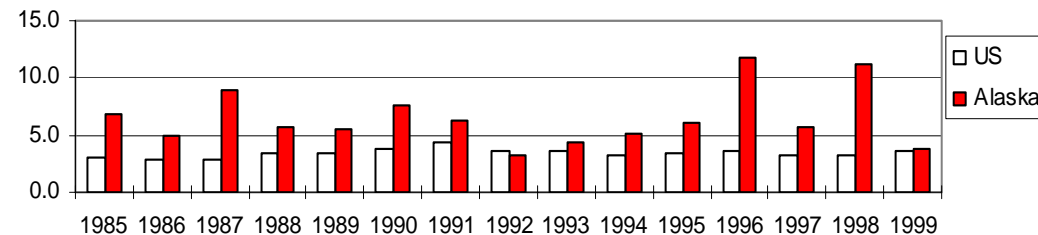
Fire Death Rate per 100,000 Population
1985-1999: Alaska is 1.9 times US Average



Deaths per 1,000 fires
1985-1999: Alaska is 3 times US average

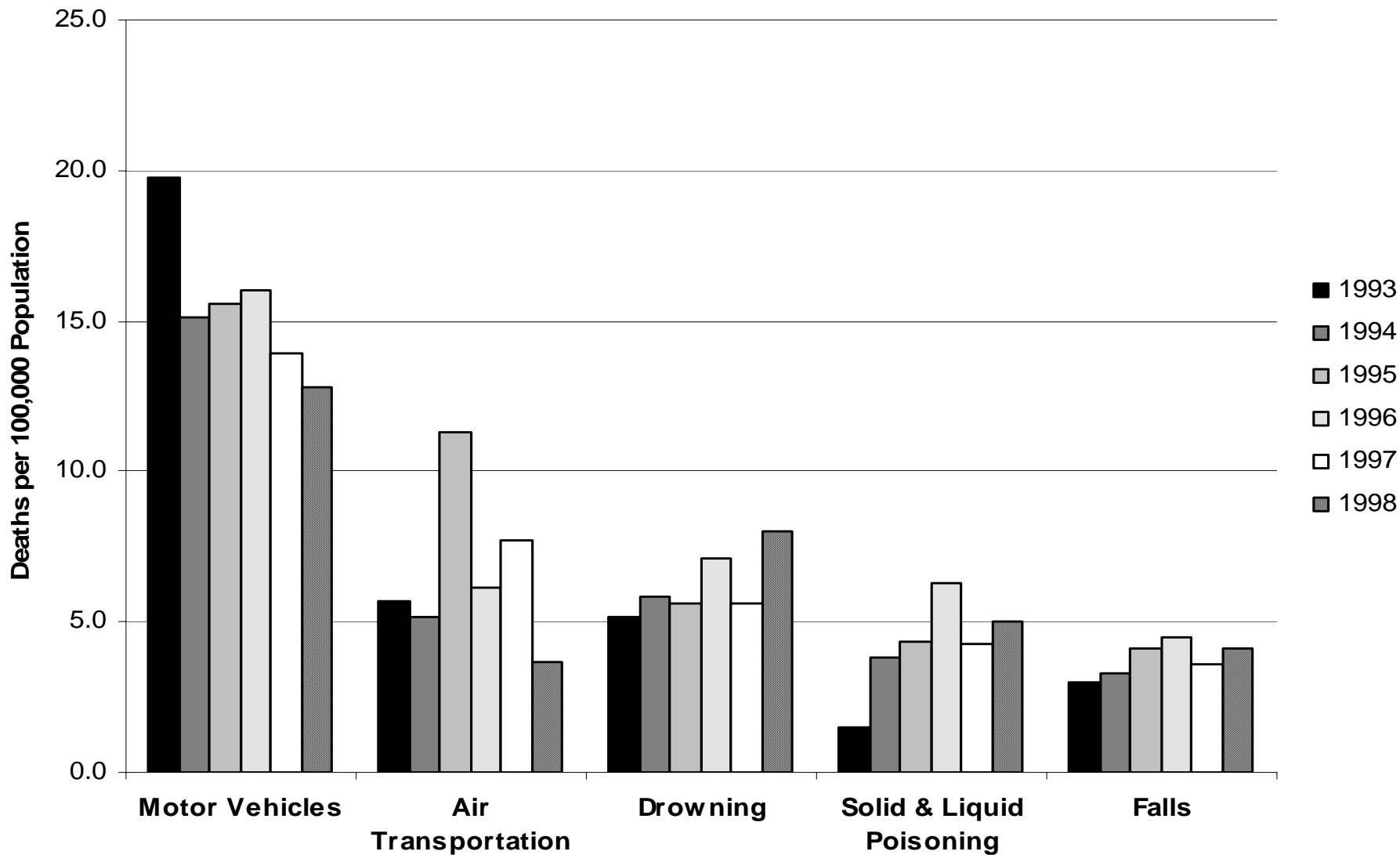


Cost of Fires: \$million per 100,000 Population
1985-1999: Alaska is 2 times US average



Source: National Fire Protection Association,
Alaska National Fire Incident Reporting System

Alaska's Top Five Causes of Unintentional Injury Deaths



Source: National Safety Council