

Legalisation of assisted dying is followed by a steady increase in cases

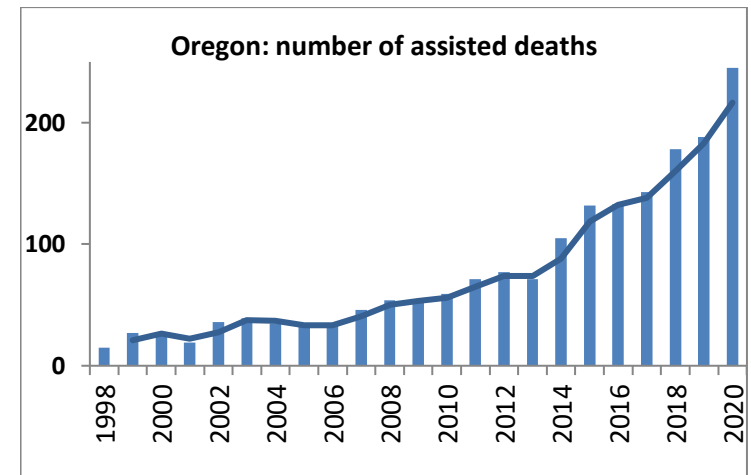
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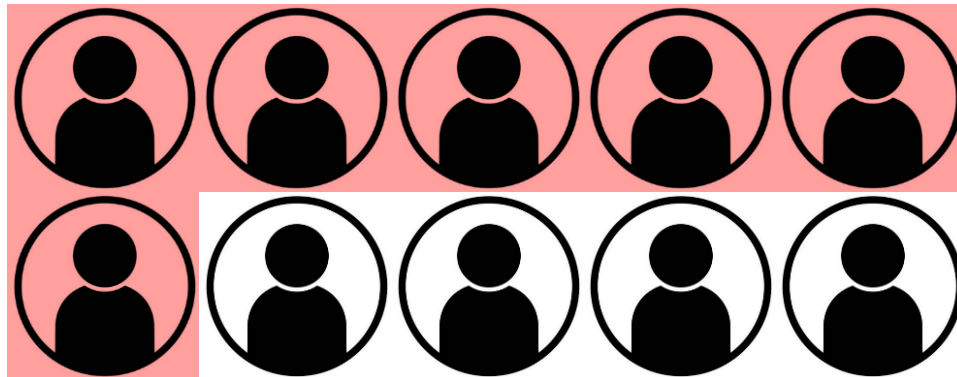
In Oregon, assisted deaths have more than quadrupled from 2009 to 2020 (53 to 245)¹



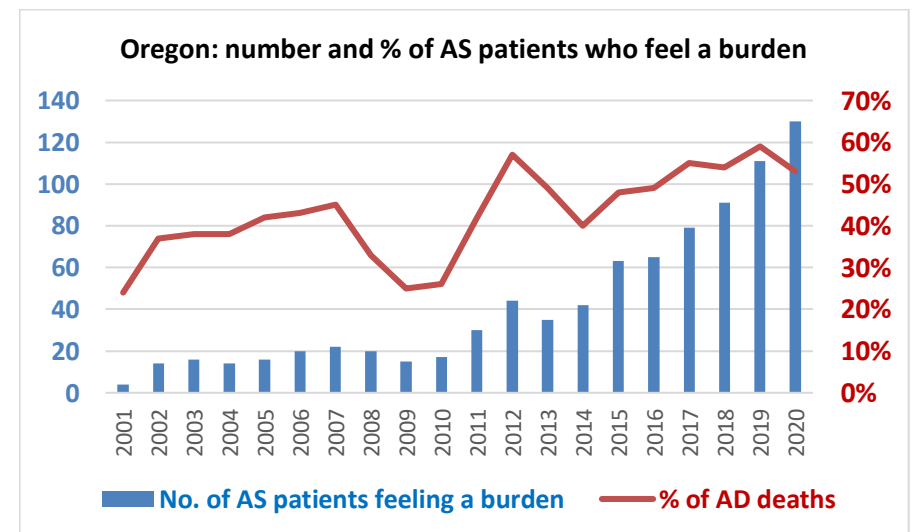
In Canada, assisted deaths have increased by a factor of nearly x8 times in five years (1015 to 7596)²



Over half of patients receiving assisted dying in Oregon feel a burden



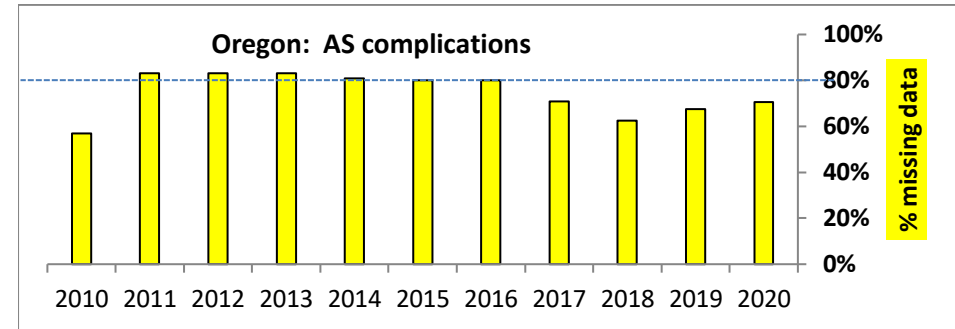
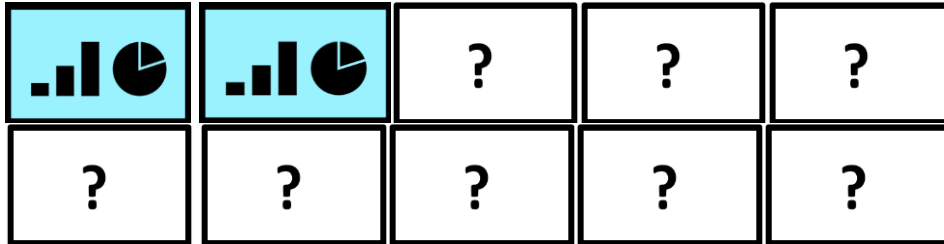
The percentage of assisted deaths in Oregon who felt a burden has doubled in the last 10 years (26% to 53%)¹



Official statistics often provide minimal information with much missing data

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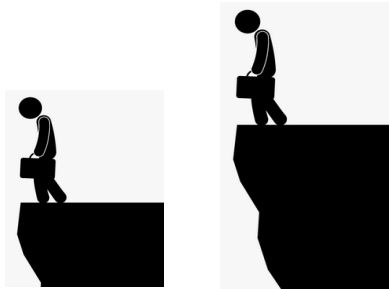
In Oregon, data on complications of assisted deaths is missing in 71% of cases.¹



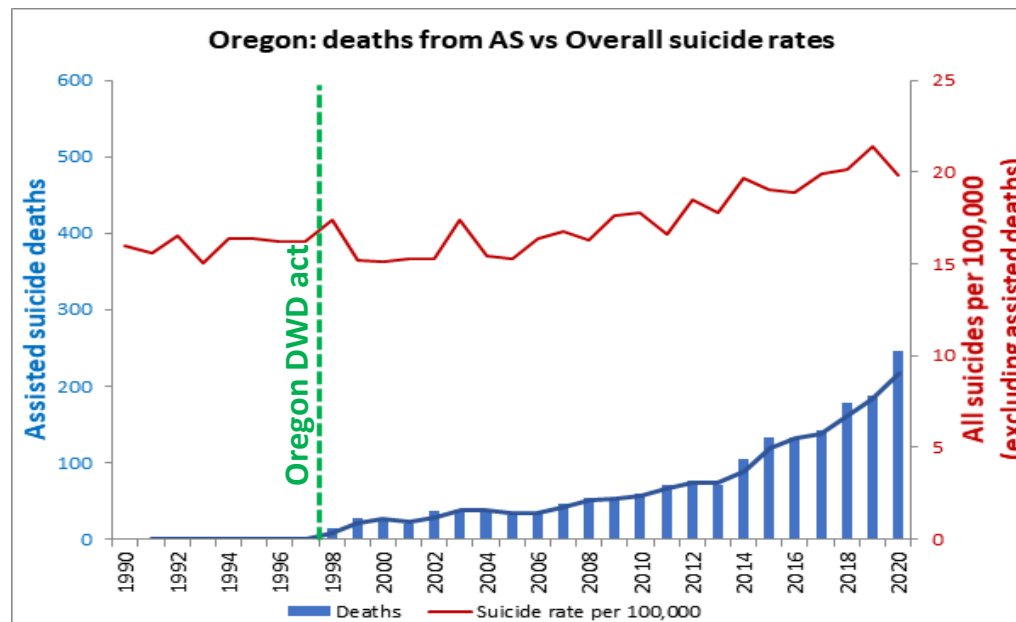
In Oregon, the overall suicide rate has risen by nearly one third since assisted dying was legalised³

Oregon has one of highest overall suicide rates in the US and, despite rising numbers of assisted deaths.

Only 3 patients in 2020 were referred for psychiatric evaluation



Non-assisted suicides have risen by 32% despite legalising assisted dying



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