

# **CURRENT EVENTS IMPACTING LGBTQ+ PEOPLE**

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# TODAY IS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PINK

The International Day of Pink is set up as an International Day against bullying, discrimination, homophobia, transphobia, and transmisogyny in cities and towns all across the world. On this day, everyone is invited to celebrate diversity by wearing a pink shirt and by organizing activities in their workplaces, schools, and communities in support of the day.



# CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH DATA

A [2022 report by the Trevor Project](#) , a nonprofit focused on suicide prevention, revealed that 45% of LGBTQ+ people aged 13 to 24 seriously considered attempting suicide the previous year. Almost 20% of transgender and nonbinary young people actually tried to end their lives.



# CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH DATA

LGBTQ youth who held more marginalized identities reported greater suicide risk compared to their peers (Trevor Project, 2022).



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LGB youth reporting a suicide attempt in the past 12 months was five times greater than their straight peers, Black girls/women were among the groups with the highest percentage of reported suicide attempts (Child Trends, 2022).



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The percentage of LGBTQ+ youth with multiple disabilities who reported a suicide attempt in the past 12 months was nearly eight times higher than the percentage of LGBTQ+ youth with no disabilities who reported a suicide attempt.



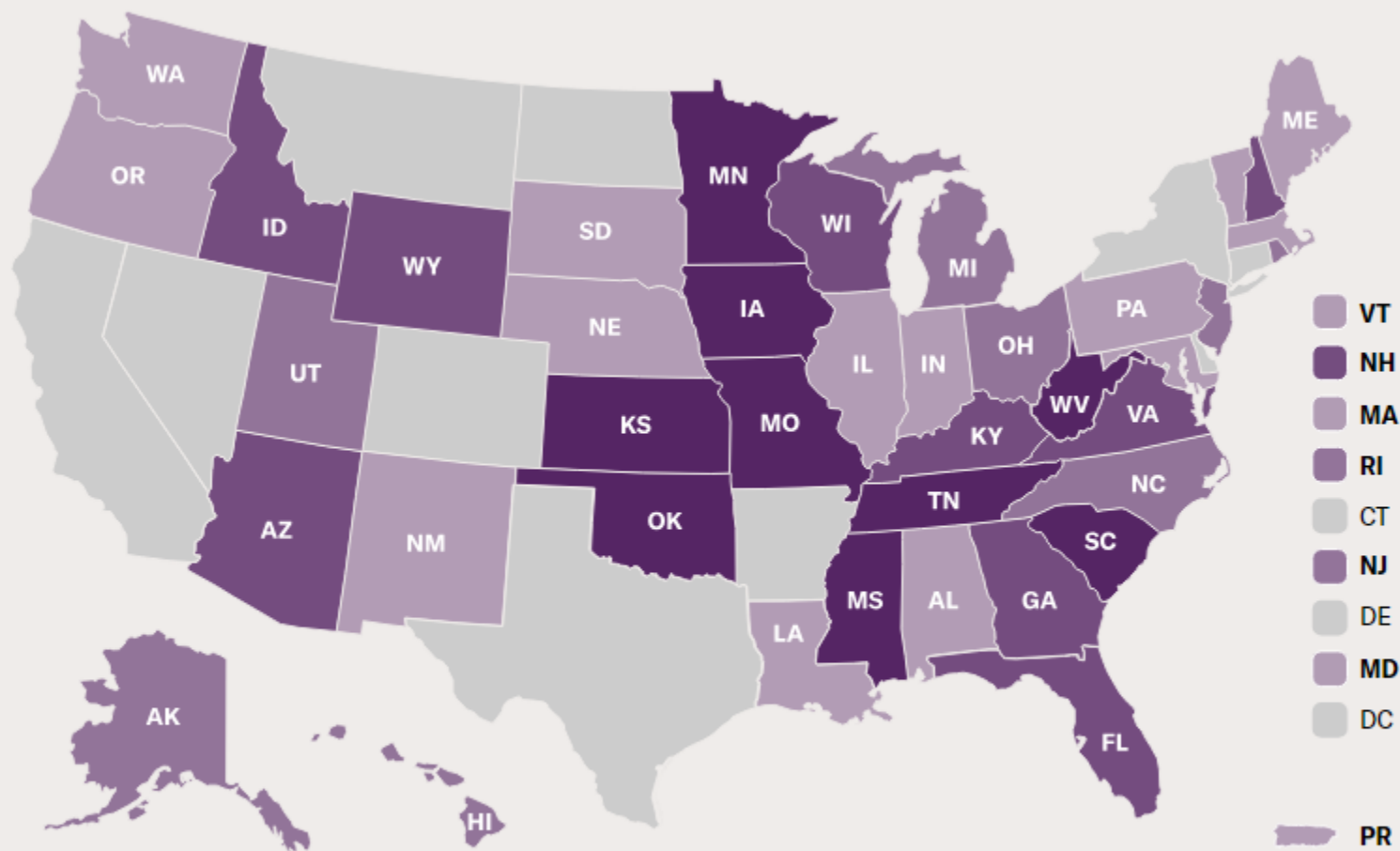
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# The ACLU is tracking **484** anti-LGBTQ bills in the U.S.

Choose a state on the map to show the different bills targeting LGBTQ rights and take action. While not all of these bills will become law, they all cause harm for LGBTQ people.

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Bills per state



# WHAT DO THE BILLS DO

- Legalize discrimination against transgender people by narrowing the definition of gender discrimination
- Curriculum censorship
- Banning transgender youth from sport and gender affirming facilities
- Force LGBTQ+ young people to be outed in school
- Block gender affirming care
- Ban the display of pride flags
- Ban name changes





**THIS HAS LED TO  
HIGHER RATES OF  
VIOLENCE TOWARDS  
LGBTQ+ PEOPLE**

The number of reported LGBTQ+ hate crimes committed at schools more than doubled between 2018 and 2022, particularly in states like Florida, Georgia, Oklahoma and Texas, which have anti-LGBTQ+ laws. Transgender and nonbinary students, in particular, are more likely to be harassed and assaulted today than they were five years ago.

# PROTECTIVE FACTORS

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Supportive families act as a buffer against suicidal ideation, and unsupportive families significantly predict higher likelihood of suicide attempt for transgender people when controlling for numerous covariates. (Miller et al, 2023).

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Parental social support was significantly associated with youth depressive symptoms such that higher perceived support was linked with fewer depressive symptoms (McCurdy & Russell, 2023).

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LGBTQ middle and high school students with access to at least one school-related protective factor (access to GSA, gender neutral bathrooms, teachers respectful of pronouns, inclusive sexual and historical education) had 26% lower odds of attempting suicide in the past year. (Trevor Project, 2023)

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In a study of 104 transgender and nonbinary youth, researchers observed 60% lower odds of depression and 73% lower odds of suicidality among youths who had initiated PBs or GAHs compared with youths who had not. (Tordoff et al, 2022)