**Hospitalizations Resulting from Assault (Three-Year Average)**

**number and rate/100,000 youth ages 10-19 years (2012-2014)**

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