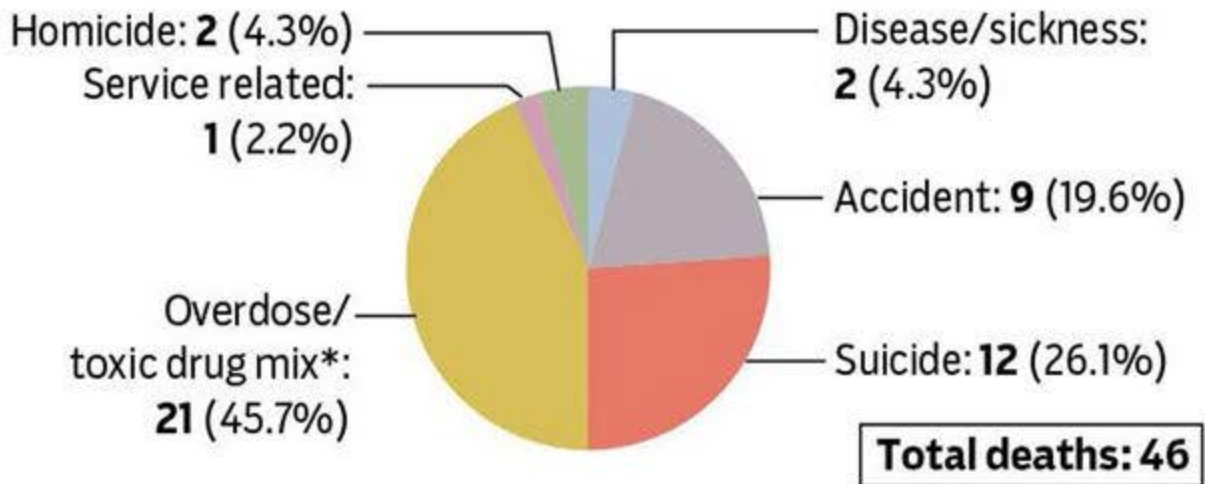


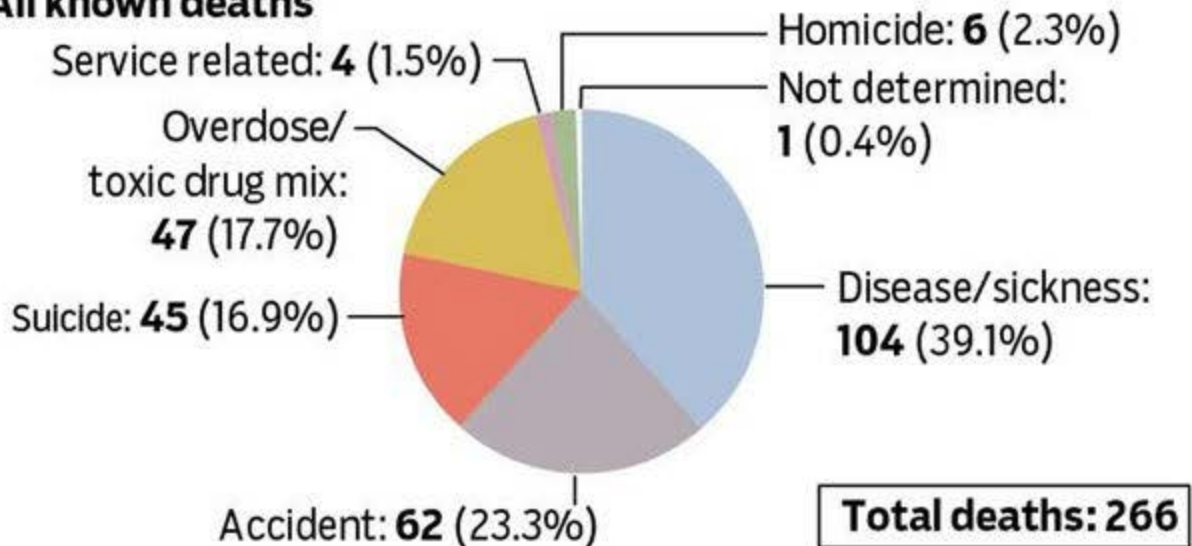
## Causes of death for veterans with PTSD vs. all veterans, 2003-11

Among the veterans studied by the American-Statesman, those with PTSD were much more likely to die from drug overdoses and suicide. Disease or illness, which claimed more than 100 of the 266 veterans, was the cause of death for only two of the 46 veterans with PTSD.

### Deaths of VA vets with PTSD



### All known deaths



\* Three overdoses were also ruled suicides

Sources: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Texas Department of State Health Services, analysis by Statesman Investigative Team

