

Firearm Injury and Death in the United States

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On violence:

“If it’s not a health problem,
then why are all those
people dying from it?”

- Dr. David Satcher, 1993

All Those People

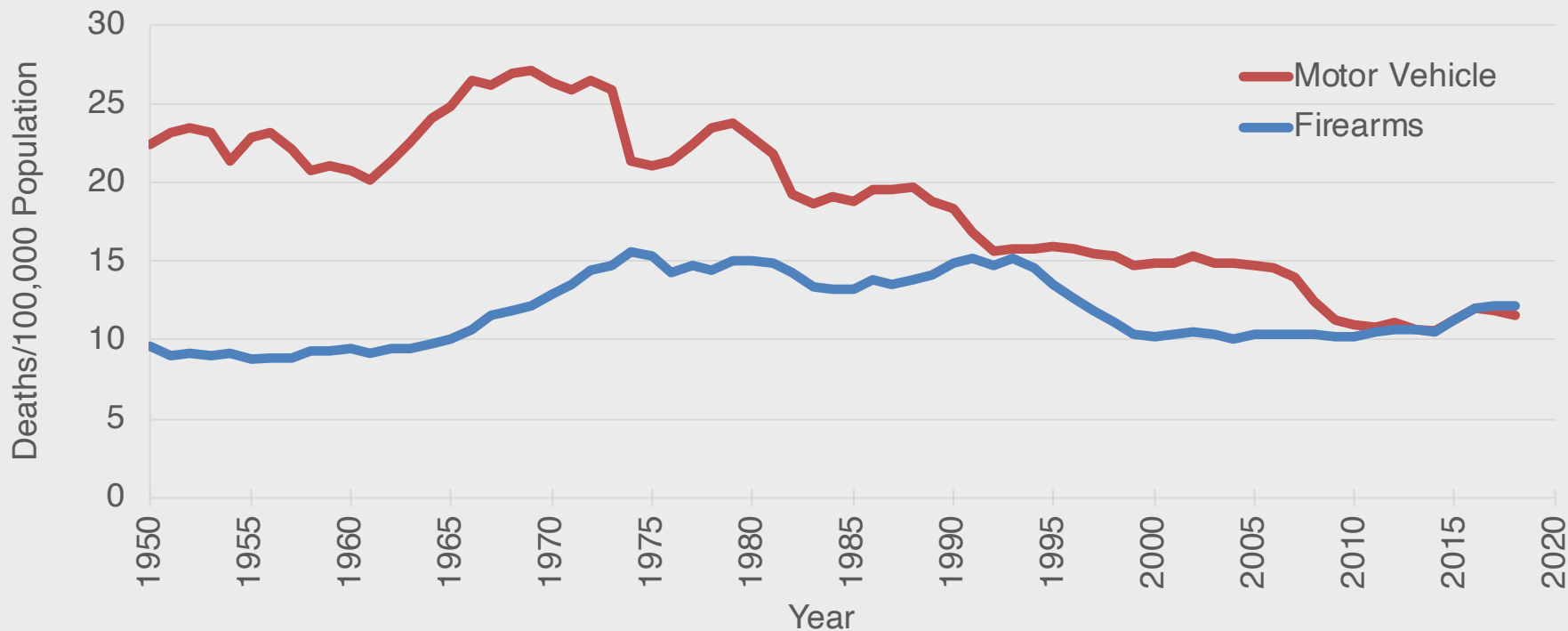
US, 2009-2018:

- 337,957 deaths from firearm violence (homicide, suicide)
- 350,586 total firearm deaths

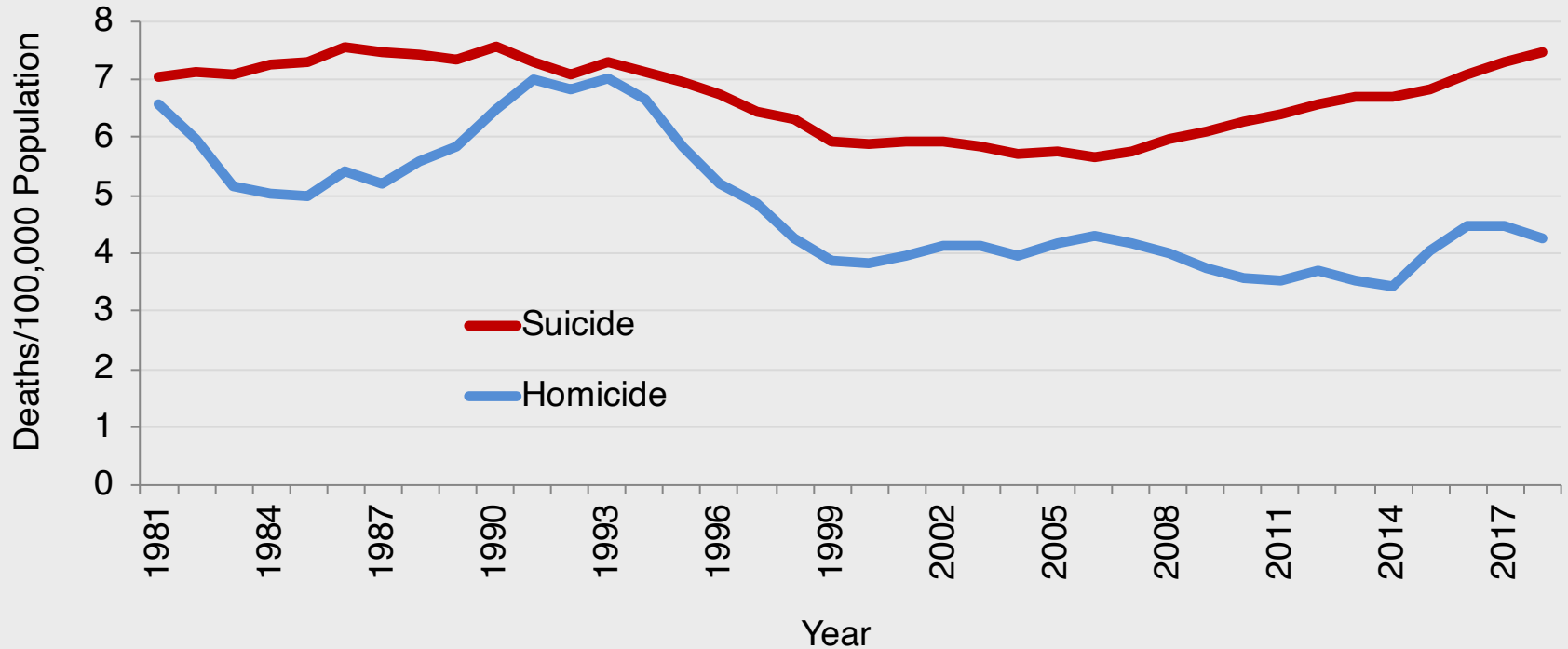
US, 2018:

- 38,390 deaths from firearm violence
- 74% of homicides, 51% of suicides involved firearms

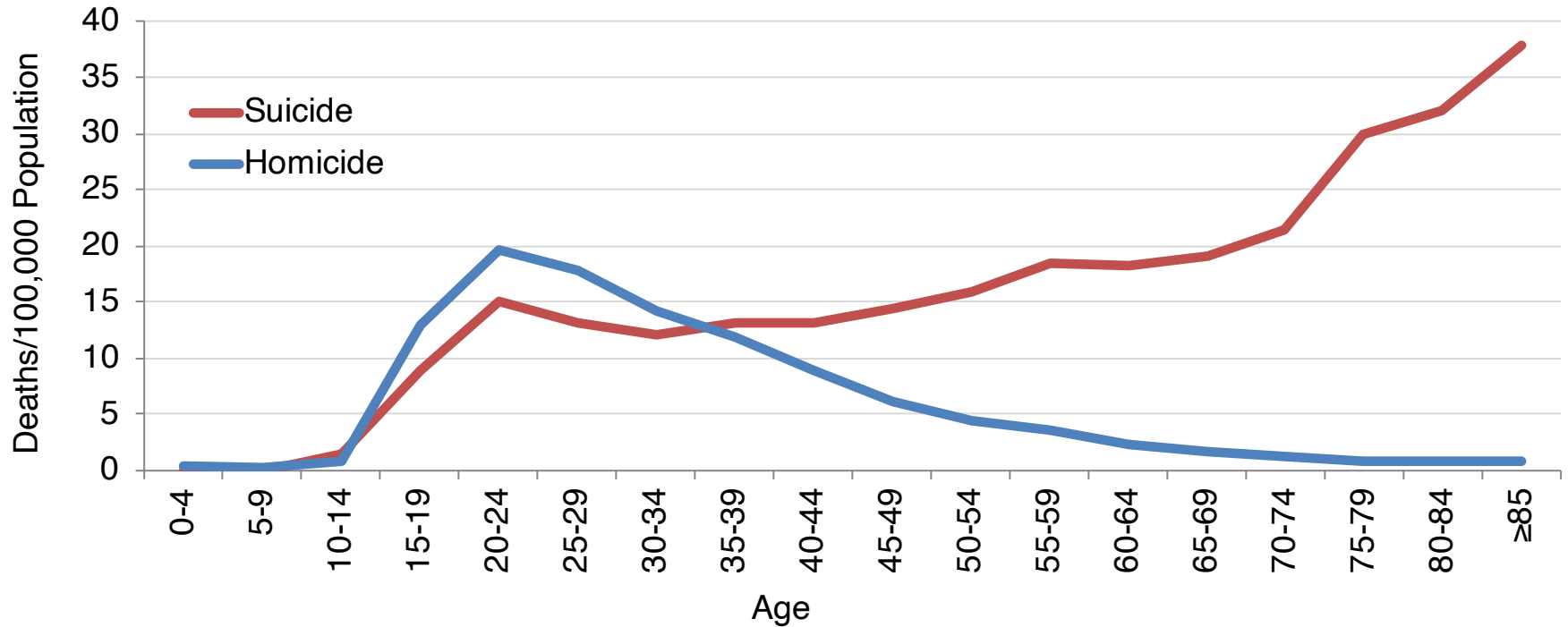
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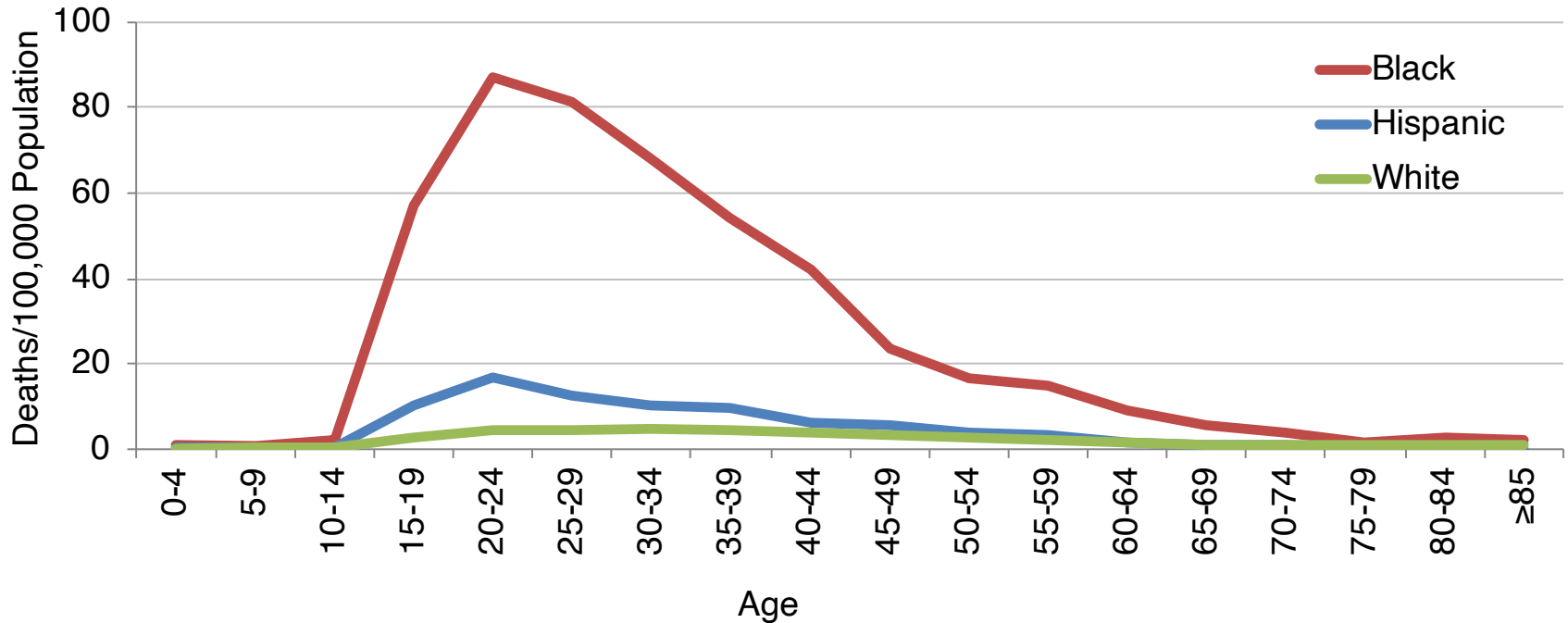
Death Rates from Firearm Suicide and Homicide, 1981-2018



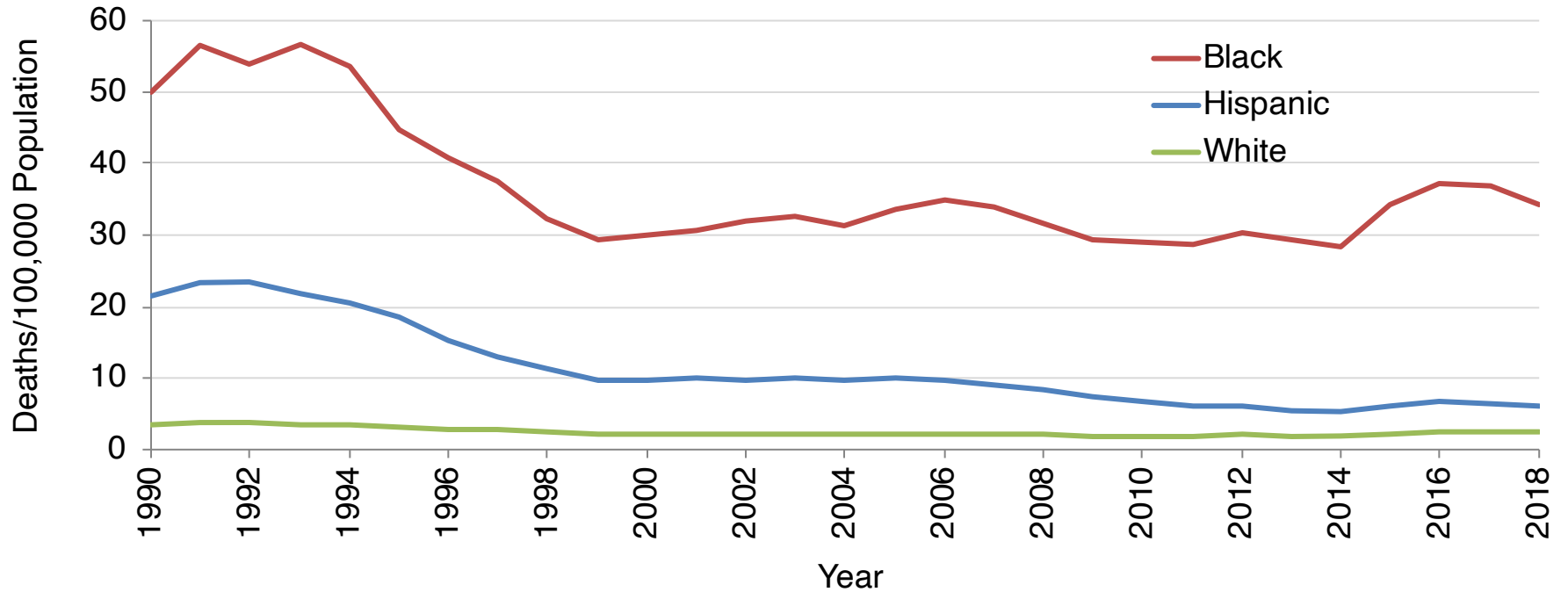
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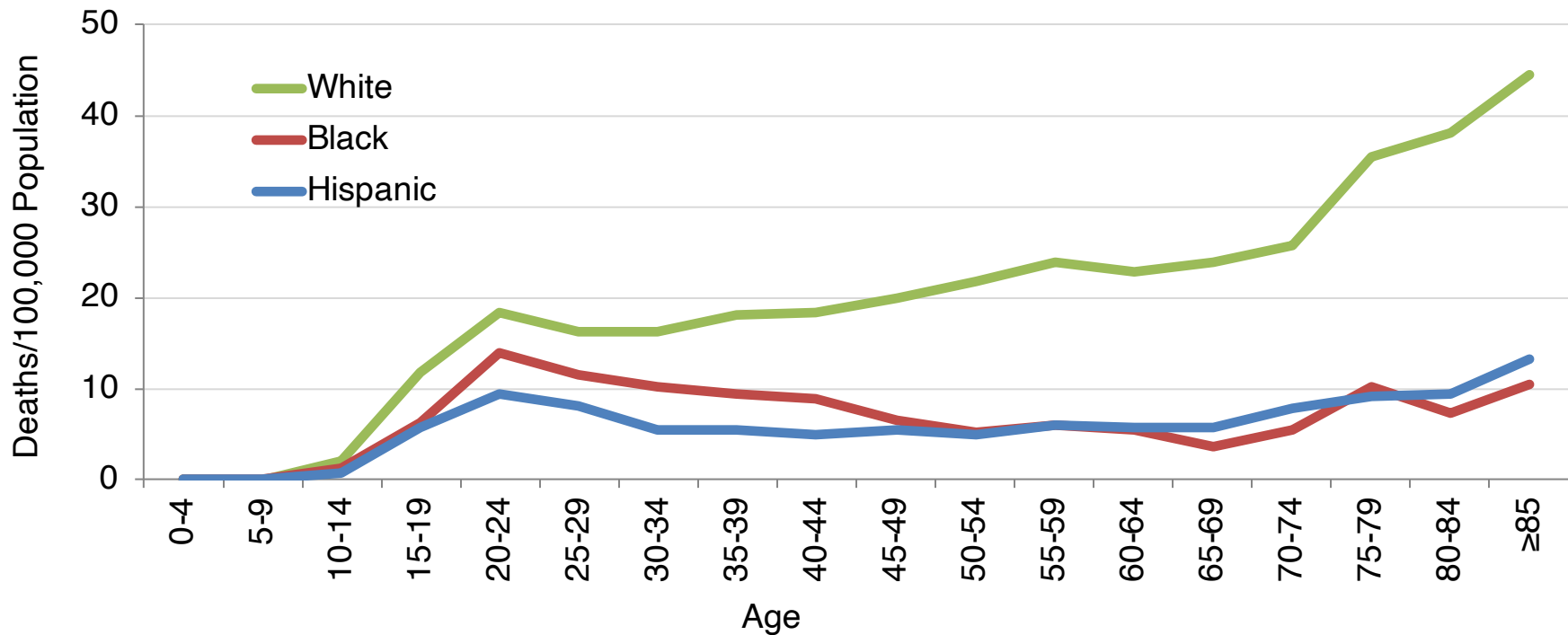
Death Rates from Firearm Homicide Males, 2018



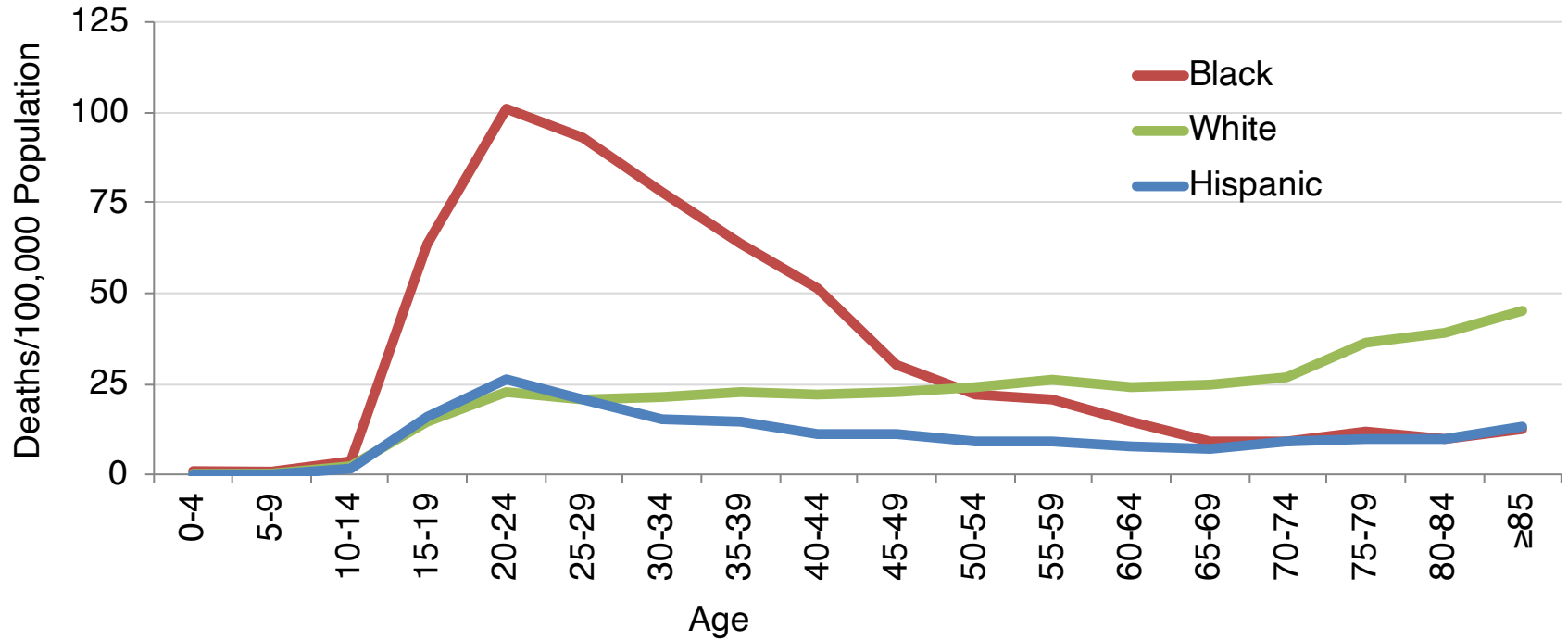
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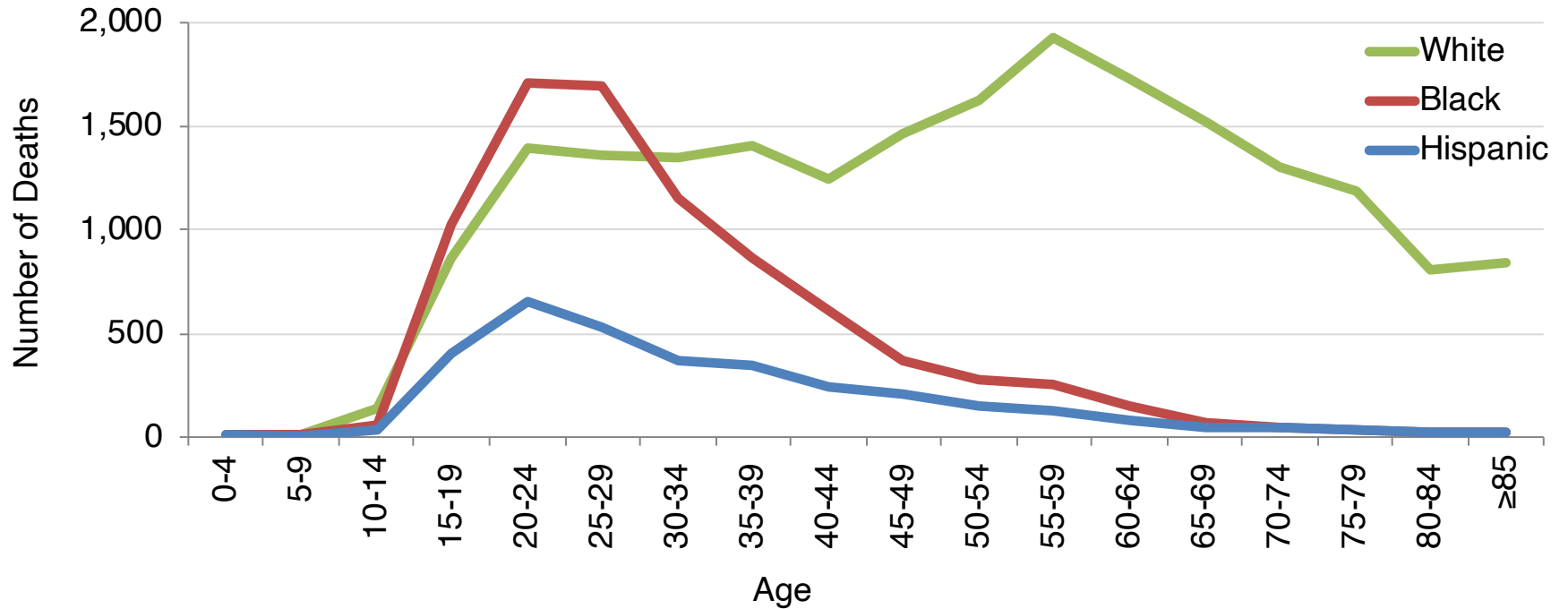
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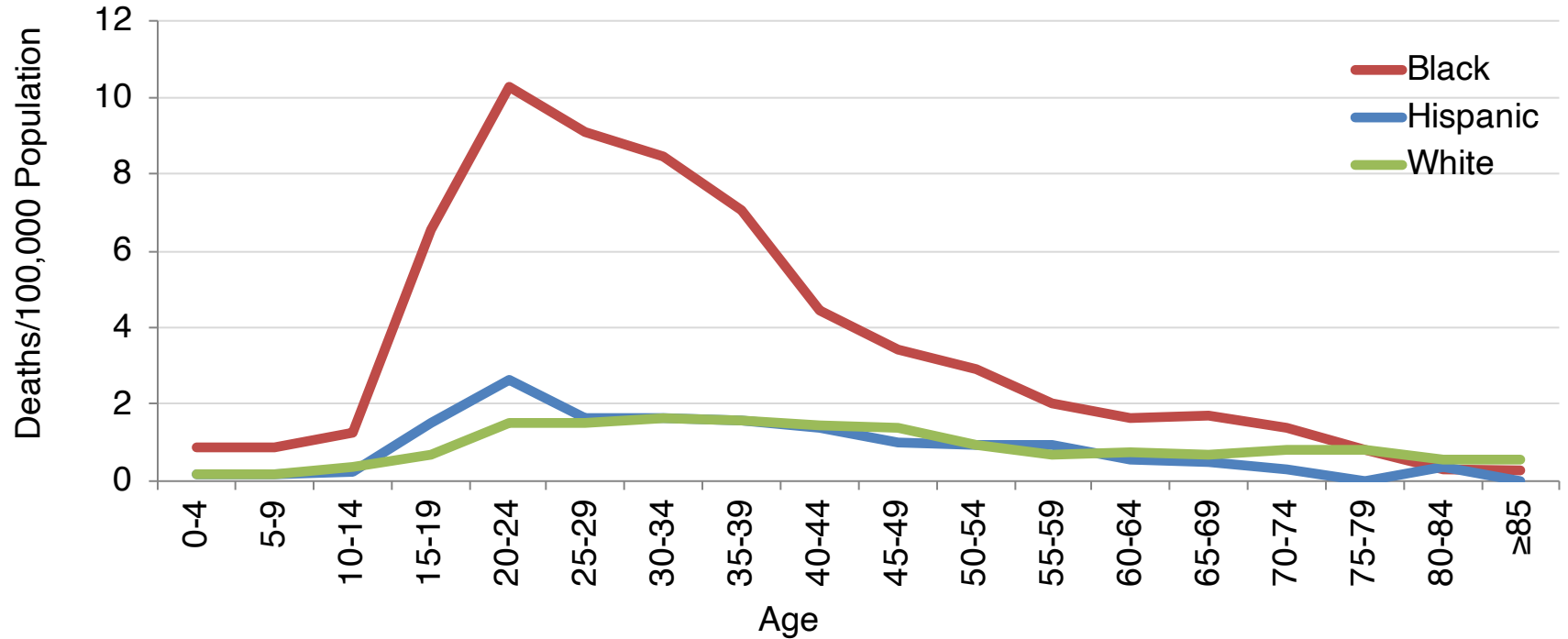
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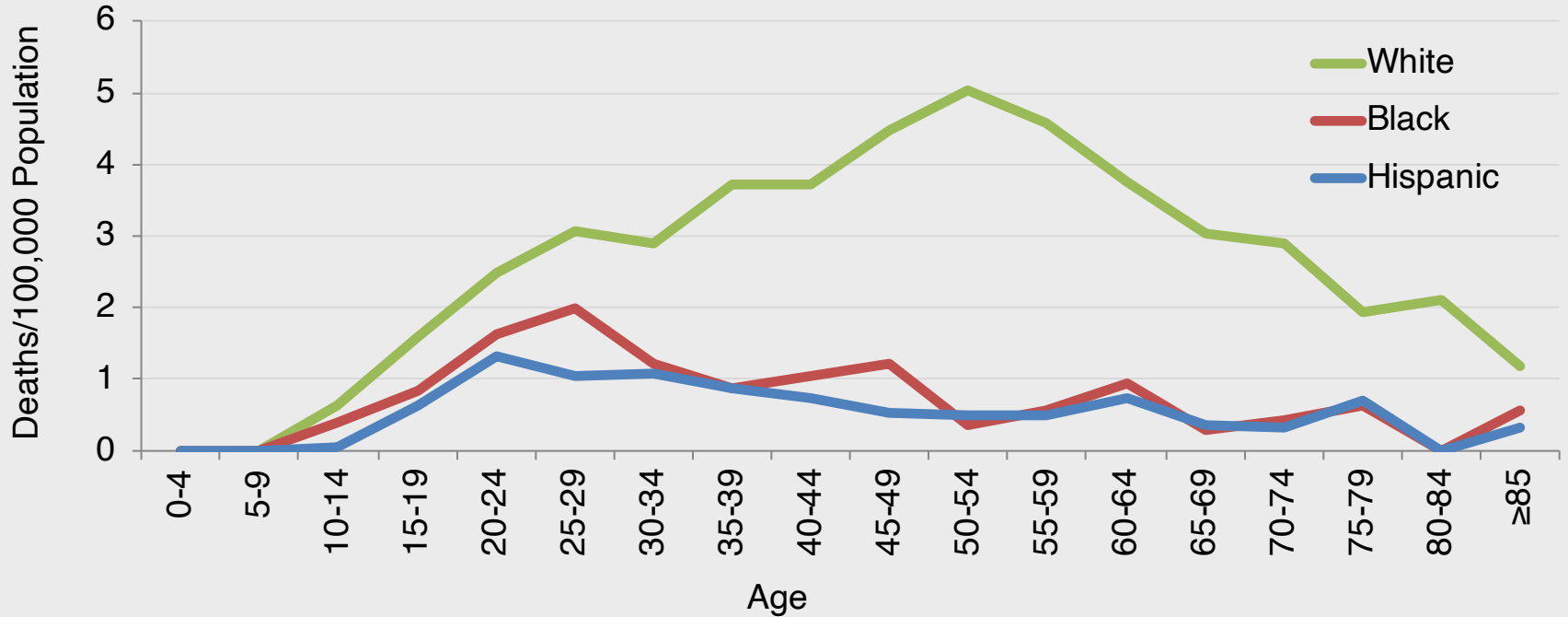
Deaths from Firearm Violence Males, 2018



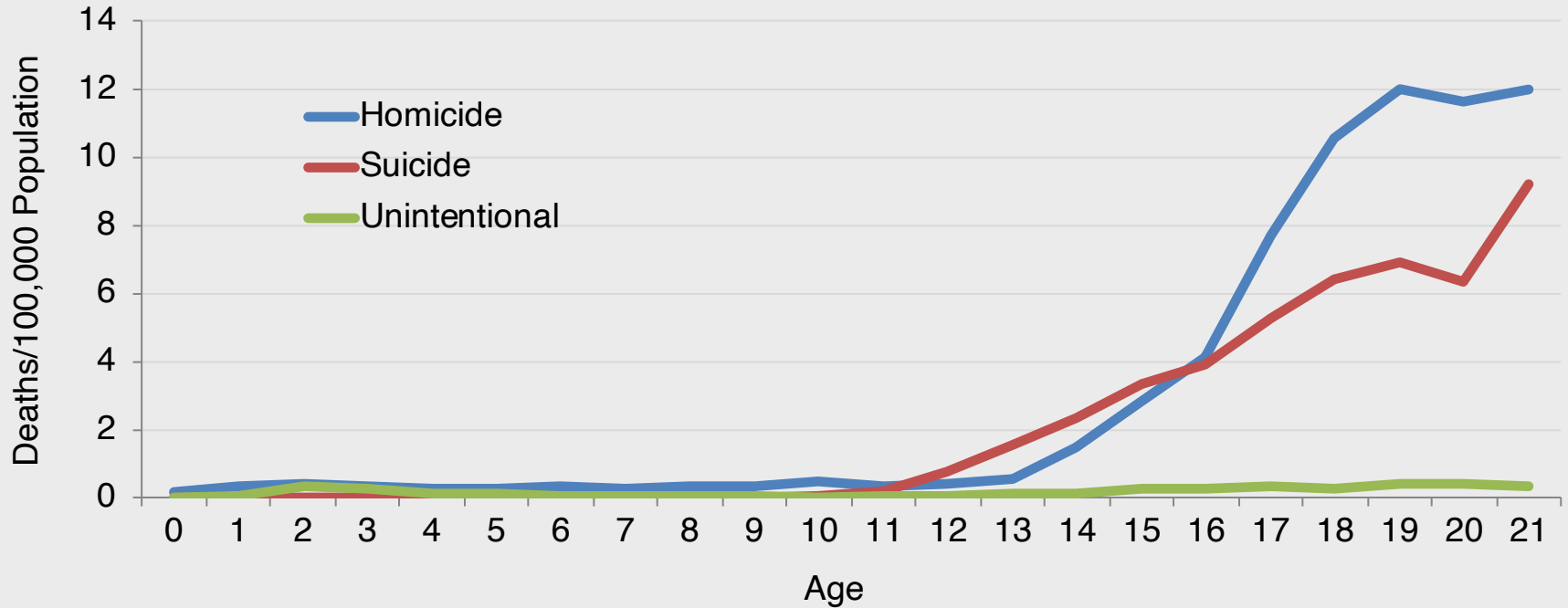
Death Rates from Firearm Homicide Females, 2018



Death Rates from Firearm Suicide Females, 2018



Death Rates from Firearm Violence Children, 2018



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