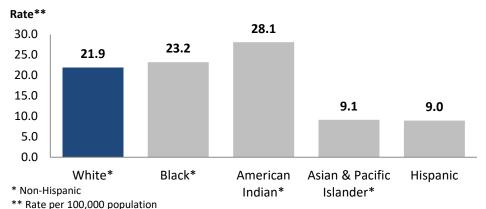
NC Violent Death Reporting System

VIOLENT DEATHS AMONG NON-HISPANIC WHITE RESIDENTS IN NORTH CAROLINA: 2011-2020

The North Carolina Violent Death Reporting System (NC-VDRS) is a CDC-funded statewide surveillance system that collects detailed information on violent deaths that occur in North Carolina including: homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm deaths, legal intervention, and deaths of undetermined intent. NC-VDRS triangulates information from death certificates, medical examiner reports, and law enforcement reports to understand and aid in the prevention of violent deaths. For more information, please visit https://www.injuryfreenc.ncdhhs.gov/About/ncVDRS.htm.

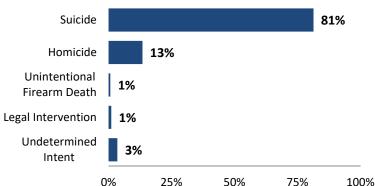
Violent Death Rate by Race/Ethnicity: NC-VDRS, 2011-2020



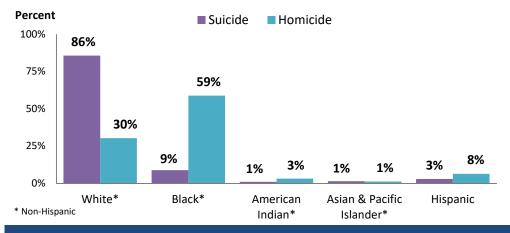
- For the year 2020, there were 6,711,126 non-Hispanic (NH) white residents living in North Carolina, accounting for 63.3% of the state's population.
- NH white victims had the third highest rate of violent death by race in North Carolina (21.9 per 100,000

- From 2011 to 2020, 14,293 NH white residents in North Carolina died by violence.
- There were 1,921 homicides (13.4%), 11,622 suicides (81.3%), 97 unintentional firearm deaths (0.7%), 153 deaths due to legal interventions (1.1%), and 500 deaths of undetermined intent (3.5%) among NH white
- residents.
 Male NH White residents were more likely to die by violence than females from 2011 to 2020 (73.8% versus 26.2%).

Manner of Death Among NH White Victims: NC-VDRS 2011-2020

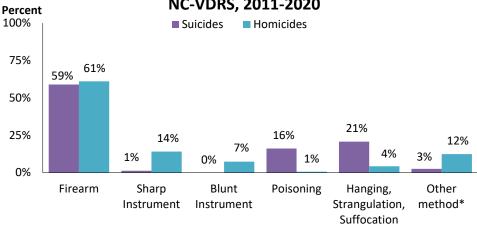


Manner of Death by Race/Ethnicity: NC-VDRS, 2011-2020



- NH white victims accounted for 30.3% of all homicides and 85.7% of all suicides, across all racial groups in North Carolina from 2011 to 2020.
- In contrast, NH Black victims accounted for 58.9% of all homicides and 8.8% of all suicides, across all racial groups in North Carolina from 2011 to 2020.

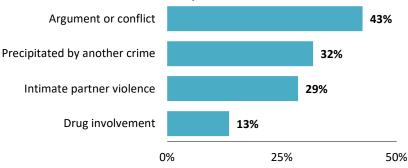
Method of Death Among NH White Victims: NC-VDRS, 2011-2020



- The majority of homicides (61.1%) and suicides (59.0%) among NH white victims involved firearms.
- The second most common method of homicide was sharp instruments (14.1%).
- The second most common method of suicide was hanging, strangulation or suffocation (20.8%).
- *Other includes fire/burns, falls, intentional neglect, personal weapons and other methods.

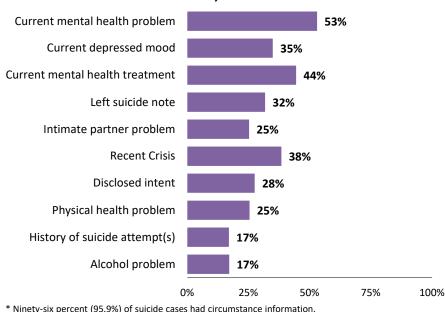
- Of all homicides among NH white victims with known circumstance information, over two-fifths (42.6%) involved an argument or conflict.
- Another serious crime (e.g., robbery, burglary) precipitated 31.8% of homicides among NH white victims.
- Of these homicides, 28.5% involved intimate partner violence.

Homicide Circumstances* Among NH White Victims: NC-VDRS, 2011-2020



* Ninety-three percent (93.4%) of homicide cases had circumstance information.

Suicide Circumstances* Among NH White Victims: NC-VDRS, 2011-2020



- Among NH white suicide victims with known circumstance information, 53.1% were characterized as having a current mental health problem and 35.0% were characterized as being depressed at the time of suicide.
- More than one-third (38.4%) of NH white suicide victims experienced a recent crisis.
- Thirty-two percent (31.8%) of NH white suicide victims left a suicide note and 27.5% disclosed their intent to complete suicide.
- One-quarter (25.3%) of NH white suicide victims experienced a recent problem with an intimate partner.

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