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Background and Acknowledgements

The North Carolina Violent Death Reporting System (NC-VDRS) is a CDC-funded state-wide surveillance system that collects detailed information on deaths that occur in North Carolina resulting from violence: homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm deaths, legal intervention, and deaths for which intent could not be determined. NC-VDRS is a multi-source system that gathers information from death certificates, medical examiner reports, and law enforcement reports. The goal of this system is to aid researchers, legislators, and community interest groups in the development of public health prevention strategies to reduce violent deaths. NC-VDRS began collecting data in January, 2004. This document summarizes provisional findings from North Carolina that occurred in 2009.

An Annual Report for 2009 will be completed by summer of 2012.

More information and special reports can be found at:
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Section 1: Violent Death

Table 1.1: Violent Deaths in North Carolina by Sex, Race, and Age
2009 Data

	Number	%	Rate	Lower	Upper
Gender					
Male	1391	76.63	30.30	28.71	31.89
Female	424	23.36	8.85	8.00	9.69
Race					
American Indian	35	1.92	28.58	19.11	38.06
Asian	18	0.99	8.49	4.57	12.42
Black	396	21.81	19.14	17.26	21.03
White	1361	74.98	19.50	18.46	20.53
Other	*	**	**	**	**
Ethnicity					
Non-Hispanic	1730	95.31	19.96	19.02	20.91
Hispanic	85	4.68	11.84	9.32	14.36
Age					
< 1	10	0.55	7.56	2.87	12.24
1 - 4	14	0.77	2.62	1.25	4.00
5 - 9	*	**	**	**	**
10 - 14	10	0.55	1.66	0.63	2.69
15 - 19	112	6.17	17.35	14.13	20.56
20 - 24	181	9.97	27.11	23.16	31.06
25 - 34	344	18.95	27.84	24.90	30.78
35 - 44	351	19.33	26.62	23.84	29.41
45 - 54	360	19.83	26.97	24.19	29.76
55 - 64	220	12.12	20.36	17.67	23.05
65 - 74	116	6.39	17.73	14.50	20.96
75 - 84	67	3.69	17.22	13.09	21.34
85 +	29	1.59	19.46	12.38	26.55
All	1815	100.00	19.34	18.45	20.23

Rates are reported per 100,000 person years.

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Table 1.2: Violent Death by Sex in North Carolina: Race, Ethnicity, and Age.
2009 Data

	Males		Females		All	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Race						
American Indian	25	41.22	10	16.18	35	28.58
Asian	9	8.66	9	8.33	18	8.49
Black	324	33.32	72	6.56	396	19.14
White	1029	29.79	332	9.41	1361	19.50
Other	*	**	*	**	*	**
Ethnicity						
Non-Hispanic	1317	31.41	413	9.23	1730	19.96
Hispanic	74	18.58	11	3.44	85	11.84
Age						
< 1	*	**	*	**	10	7.56
1 - 4	9	3.30	*	**	14	2.62
5 - 9			*	**	*	**
10 - 14	6	1.94	*	**	10	1.66
15 - 19	90	27.12	22	7.01	112	17.35
20 - 24	138	39.18	43	13.63	181	27.11
25 - 34	290	47.03	54	8.72	344	27.84
35 - 44	272	41.61	79	11.88	351	26.62
45 - 54	250	38.56	110	16.02	360	26.97
55 - 64	161	31.36	59	10.40	220	20.36
65 - 74	94	31.54	22	6.17	116	17.73
75 - 84	56	35.77	11	4.73	67	17.22
85 +	20	45.19	9	8.59	29	19.46
All	1391	30.30	424	8.85	1815	19.34

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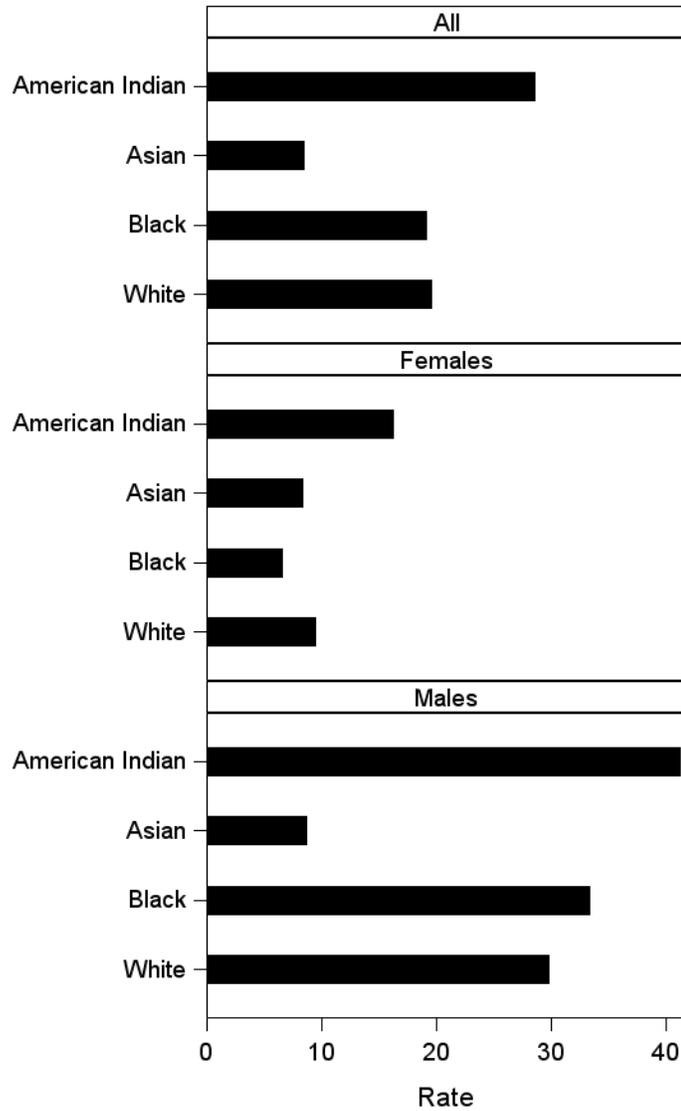


Figure 1.1: Rates of Violent Death in North Carolina Grouped by Race and Sex. 2009 Data.

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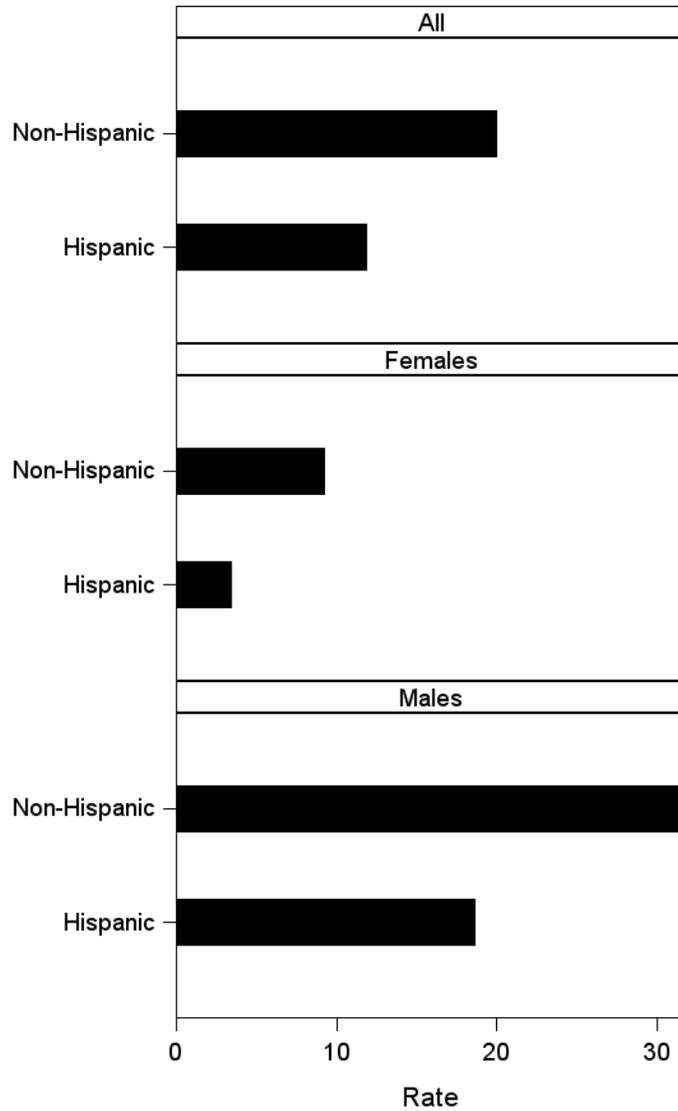


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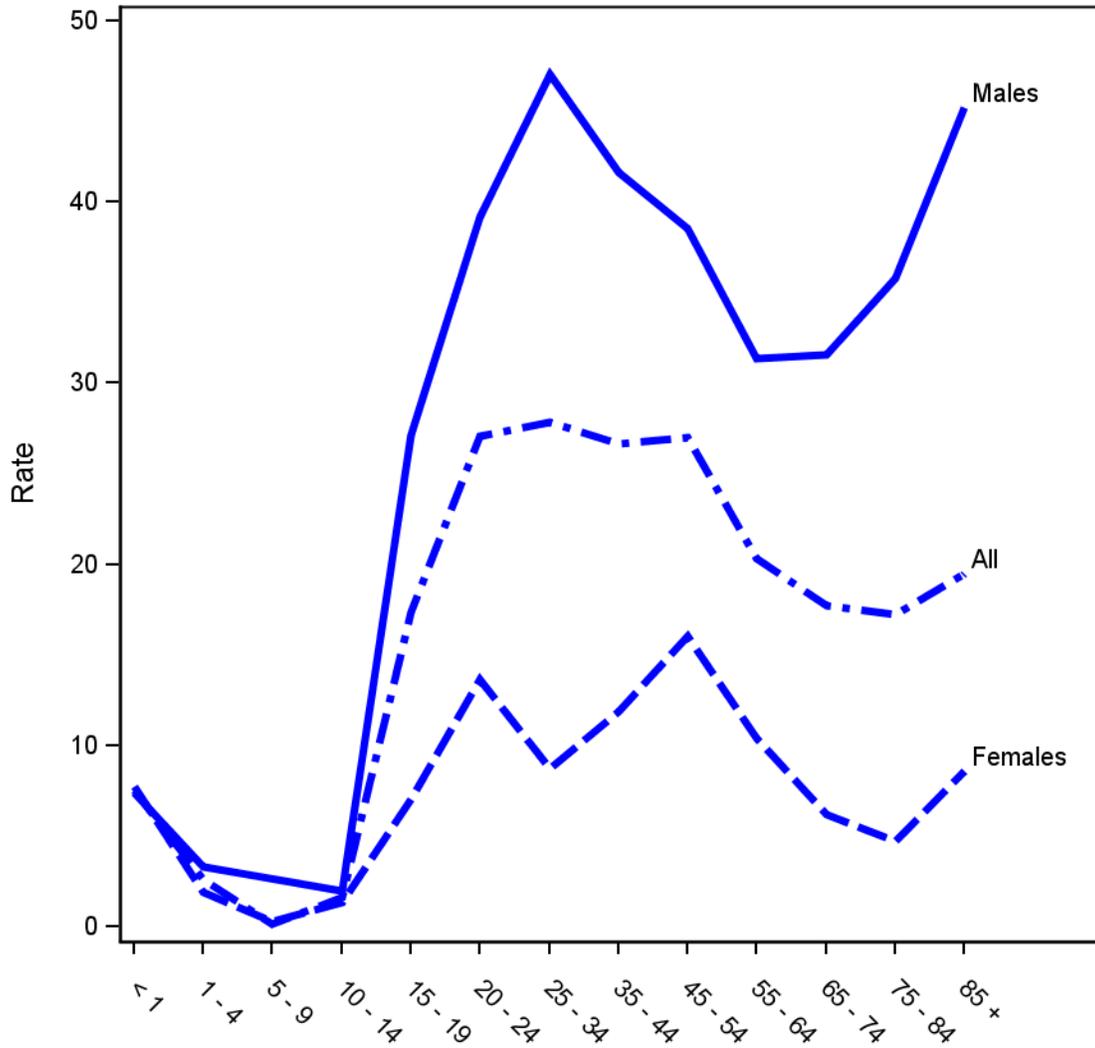


Figure 1.3: Rates of Violent Death in North Carolina Grouped by Age and Sex. 2009 Data.

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**Table 1.3: Manner and Method of Violent Deaths in North Carolina
2009 Data**

	Number	%
Manner		
Suicide	1157	63.74
Homicide	540	29.75
Undetermined Intent	86	4.73
Legal Intervention	22	1.21
Unintentional Firearm	10	0.55
Method		
Firearm	1083	59.80
Poisoning	275	15.18
Hanging, Strangulation, Suffocation	257	14.19
Sharp Instrument	83	4.58
Unarmed Assault	33	1.82
Blunt Instrument	31	1.71
Fall	11	0.60
Other/Unknown	10	0.55
Motor Vehicle	9	0.49
Drowning	7	0.38
Other Transport Vehicle	*	**
Fire or Burns	*	**
Violent Shaking	*	**
Intentional Neglect	*	**
Total	1815	100.00

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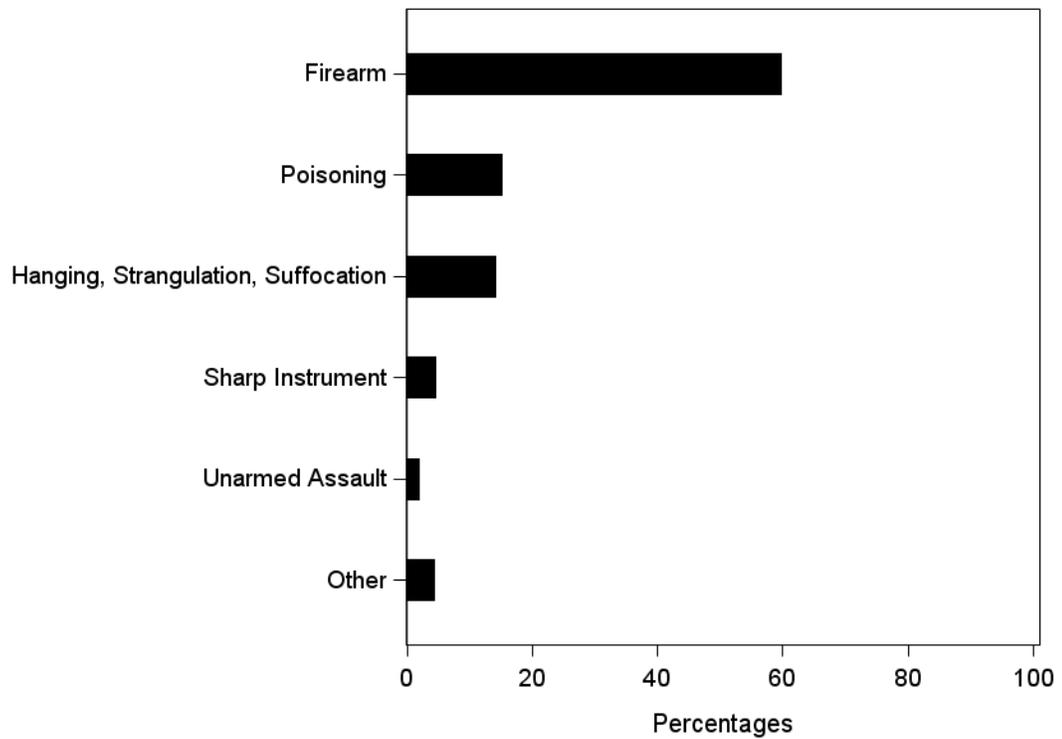


Figure 1.4: Method of Violent Death in North Carolina. 2009 Data.

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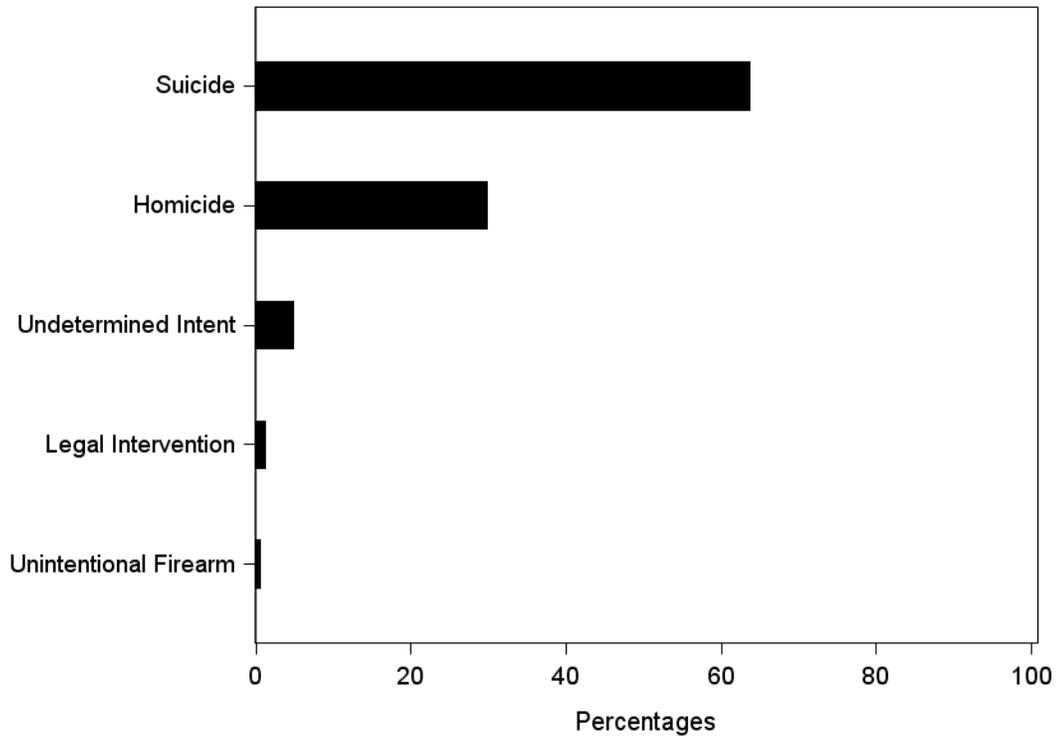


Figure 1.4b: Manner of Violent Death in North Carolina. 2009 Data.

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Table 1.4: Violent Deaths in North Carolina Grouped by Education Levels
2009 Data

	Number	%
0 to 8	123	7.09
9 to 11	342	19.73
12	679	39.18
More than 12	571	32.94
Unknown	18	1.03
All	1733	100.00

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Table 1.5: Violent Deaths in North Carolina Grouped by Marital Status
2009 Data

	Number	%
Married	660	36.36
Never married	709	39.06
Widowed	104	5.73
Divorced	336	18.51
Unknown	6	0.33

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**Table 1.6: The Ten Counties in North Carolina With Highest Violent Death Rate
2009 Data**

	County Population	N	Rate
Avery	17932	8	44.61
McDowell	23337	10	42.85
Bladen	32343	13	40.19
Montgomery	27745	11	39.64
Alexander	36777	14	38.06
Cherokee	26307	10	38.01
Transylvania	30203	11	36.42
Anson	25056	9	35.91
Moore	87158	31	35.56
Robeson	129559	46	35.50

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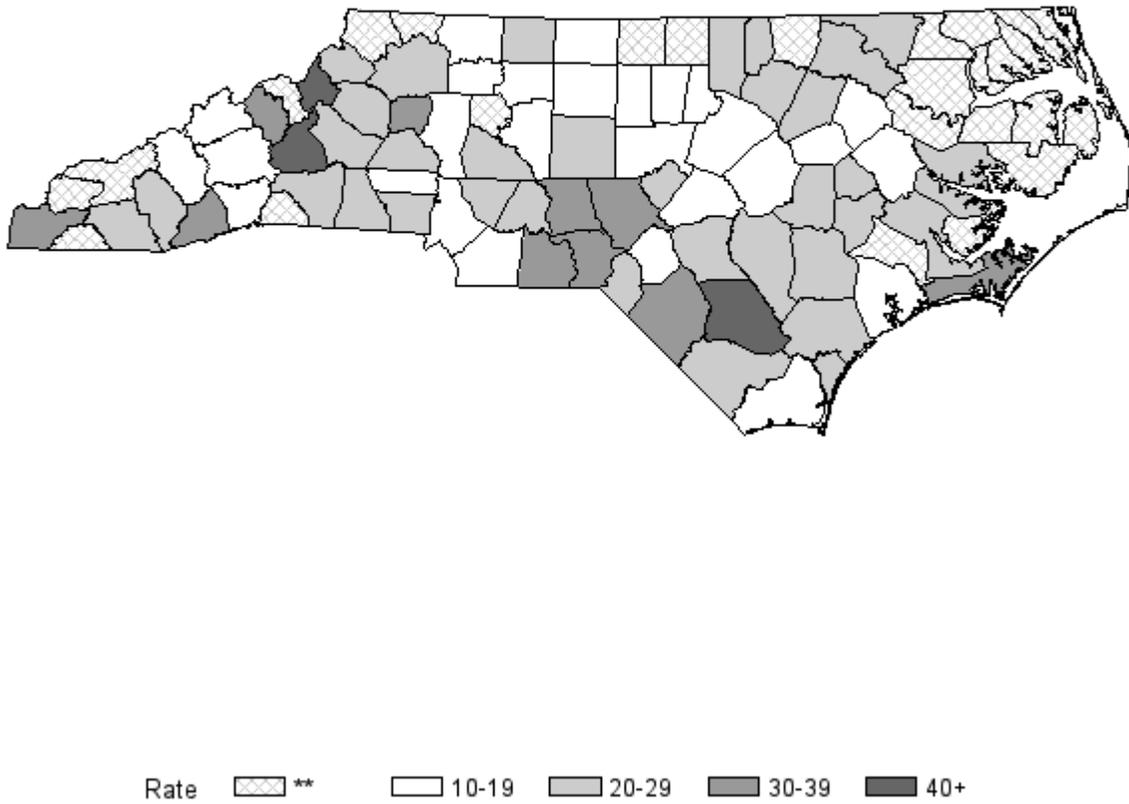


Figure 1.5: Rates of Violent Death in North Carolina Counties. 2009 Data.

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Table 1.7:
Violent Deaths in North Carolina Grouped by Weapon Type and Manner.
 2009 Data

	Suicide		Homicide		Unintentional Firearm		Legal Intervention		Undetermined Intent		All	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Firearm	662	57.21	385	71.29	10	100.00	21	95.45	*	**	1083	59.66
Poisoning	211	18.23							64	74.41	275	15.15
Hanging, Strangulation, Suffocation	242	20.91	13	2.40					*	**	257	14.15
Sharp Instrument	16	1.38	67	12.40							83	4.57
Unarmed Assault			33	6.11							33	1.81
Blunt Instrument			25	4.62					6	6.97	31	1.70
Fall	8	0.69							*	**	11	0.60
Motor Vehicle	6	0.51	*	**							9	0.49
Drowning	*	**	*	**					*	**	7	0.38
Other Transport Vehicle	*	**									*	**
Fire or Burns	*	**	*	**					*	**	*	**
Violent Shaking			*	**							*	**
Intentional Neglect			*	**							*	**
Biological Weapons												
Explosive												
More than one method												
Other/Unknown												
All	1157	100.00	540	100.00	10	100.00	22	100.00	86	100.00	1815	100.00

Percent in this table means: Of all deaths of manner Y, X% involve weapon type W.
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Table 2.1: Suicides in North Carolina by Sex, Race, and Age
2009 Data

	Number	%	Rate	Lower	Upper
Gender					
Male	916	79.17	19.95	18.66	21.24
Female	241	20.82	5.03	4.39	5.66
Race					
American Indian	16	1.38	13.06	6.66	19.47
Asian	12	1.03	5.66	2.45	8.86
Black	96	8.29	4.64	3.71	5.57
White	1032	89.19	14.78	13.88	15.69
Other	*	**	**	**	**
Ethnicity					
Non-Hispanic	1123	97.06	12.96	12.20	13.72
Hispanic	34	2.93	4.73	3.14	6.33
Age					
10 - 14	7	0.60	1.16	0.30	2.02
15 - 19	60	5.18	9.29	6.94	11.64
20 - 24	70	6.05	10.48	8.02	12.94
25 - 34	181	15.64	14.65	12.51	16.78
35 - 44	235	20.31	17.82	15.54	20.10
45 - 54	258	22.29	19.33	16.97	21.69
55 - 64	174	15.03	16.10	13.71	18.49
65 - 74	96	8.29	14.67	11.74	17.61
75 - 84	56	4.84	14.39	10.62	18.16
85 +	20	1.72	13.42	7.54	19.30
All	1157	100.00	12.33	11.62	13.04

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Table 2.2: Suicide by Sex in North Carolina: Race, Ethnicity, and Age.
2009 Data

	Males		Females		All	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Race						
American Indian	11	18.13	*	**	16	13.06
Asian	*	**	7	6.48	12	5.66
Black	83	8.53	13	1.18	96	4.64
White	816	23.62	216	6.12	1032	14.78
Other	*	**			*	**
Ethnicity						
Non-Hispanic	887	21.15	236	5.27	1123	12.96
Hispanic	29	7.28	*	**	34	4.73
Age						
10 - 14	*	**	*	**	7	1.16
15 - 19	51	15.37	9	2.86	60	9.29
20 - 24	54	15.33	16	5.07	70	10.48
25 - 34	145	23.51	36	5.81	181	14.65
35 - 44	191	29.22	44	6.62	235	17.82
45 - 54	189	29.15	69	10.05	258	19.33
55 - 64	134	26.10	40	7.05	174	16.10
65 - 74	81	27.18	15	4.21	96	14.67
75 - 84	50	31.94	6	2.58	56	14.39
85 +	17	38.41	*	**	20	13.42
All	916	19.95	241	5.03	1157	12.33

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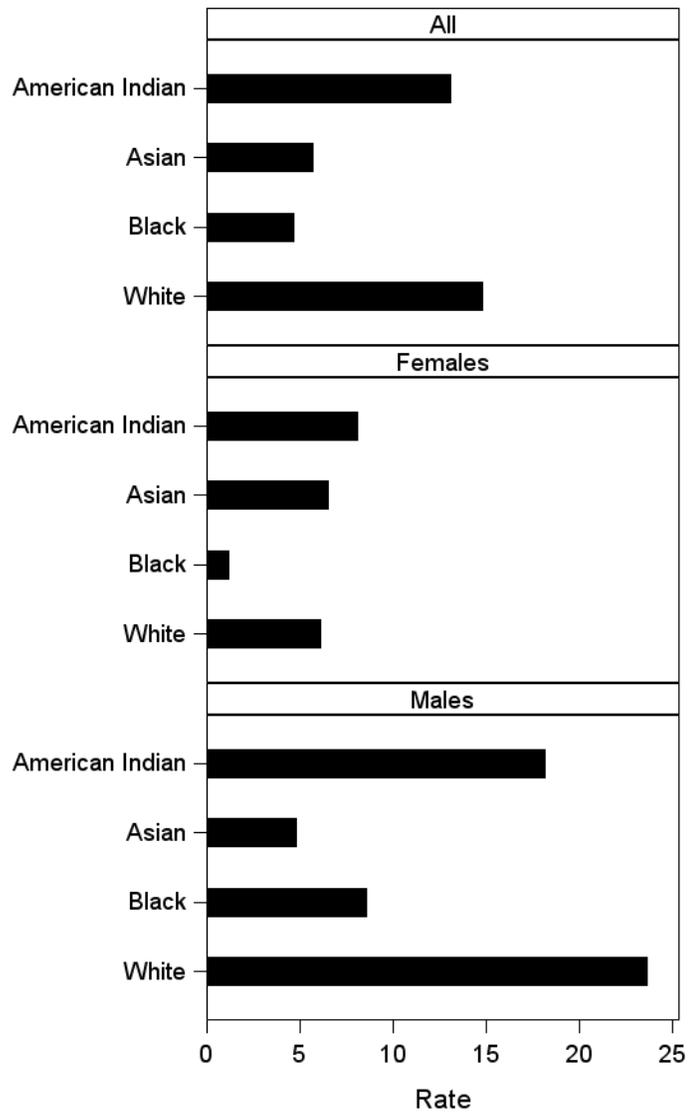


Figure 2.1: Rates of Suicide in North Carolina Grouped by Race and Sex. 2009 Data.

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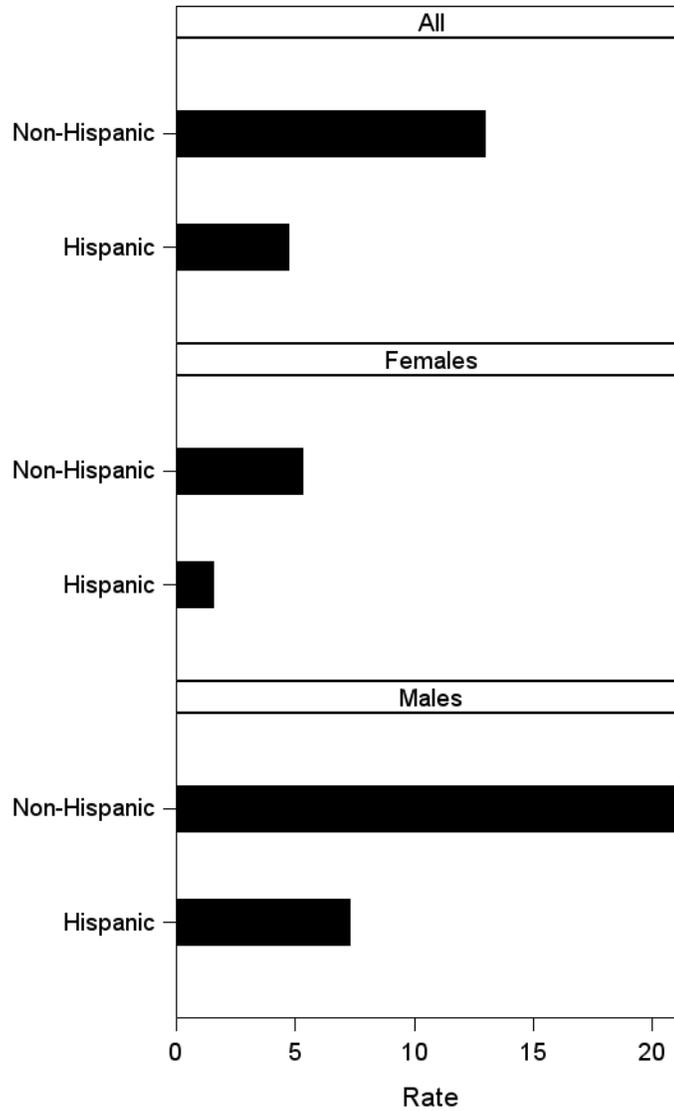


Figure 2.2: Rates of Suicide in North Carolina Grouped by Ethnicity and Sex. 2009 Data.

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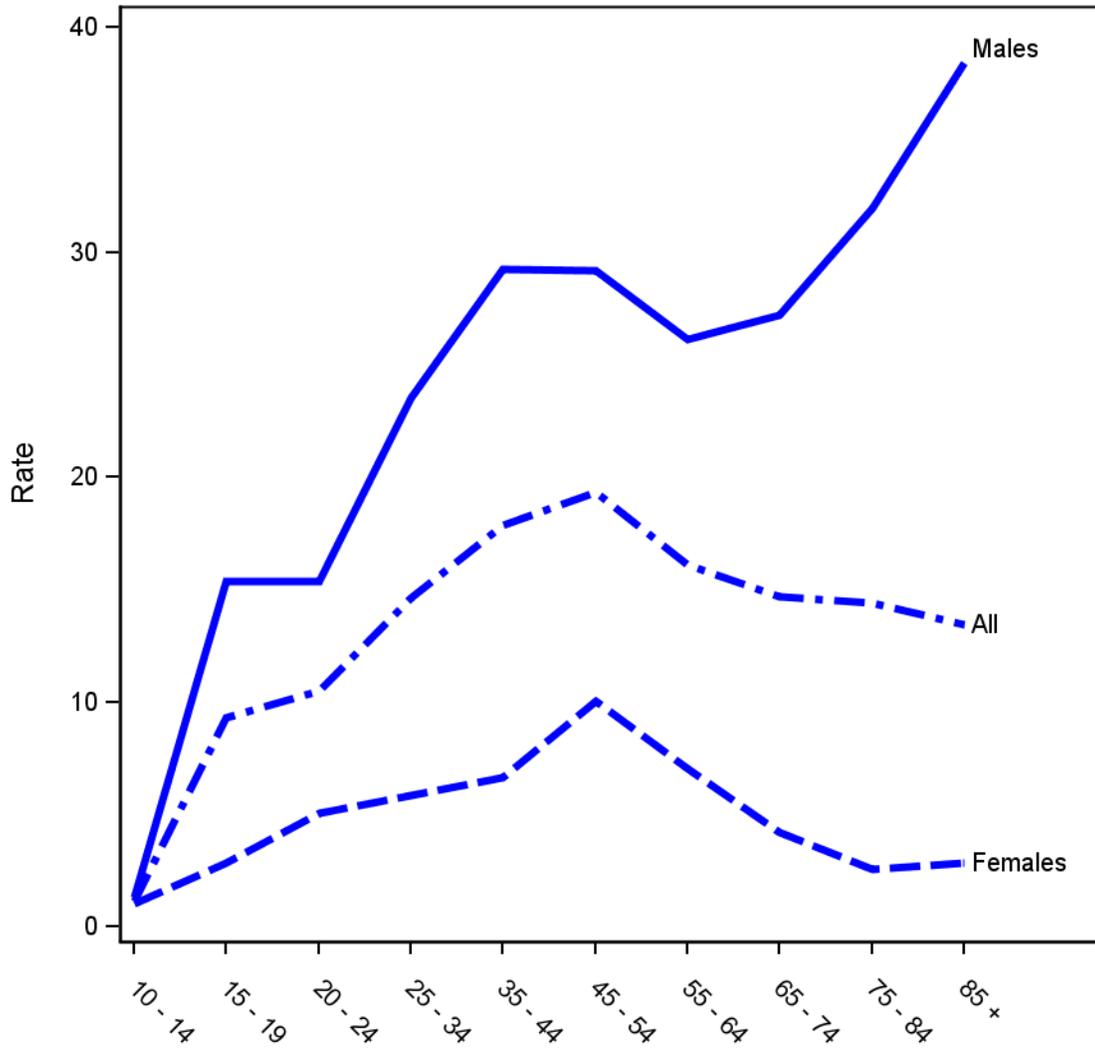


Figure 2.3: Rates of Suicide in North Carolina Grouped by Age and Sex. 2009 Data.

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Table 2.3: Manner and Method of Suicides in North Carolina
2009 Data

	Number	%
Manner		
Suicide	1157	100.00
Method		
Firearm	662	57.21
Hanging, Strangulation, Suffocation	242	20.91
Poisoning	211	18.23
Sharp Instrument	16	1.38
Fall	8	0.69
Motor Vehicle	6	0.51
Other Transport Vehicle	*	**
Drowning	*	**
Fire or Burns	*	**
Other/Unknown	*	**
Total	1157	100.00

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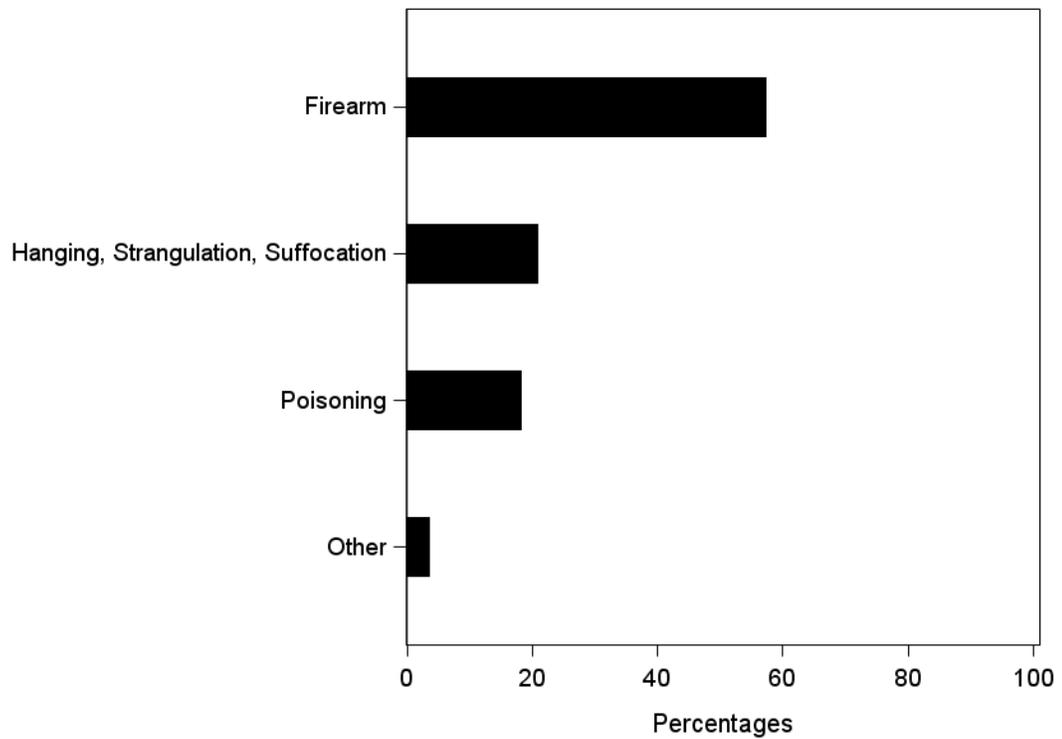


Figure 2.4: Method of Suicide in North Carolina. 2009 Data.

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Table 2.4: Suicides in North Carolina Grouped by Education Levels
2009 Data

	Number	%
0 to 8	79	7.04
9 to 11	173	15.41
12	408	36.36
More than 12	454	40.46
Unknown	8	0.71
All	1122	100.00

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Table 2.5: Suicides in North Carolina Grouped by Marital Status
2009 Data

	Number	%
Married	506	43.73
Never married	338	29.21
Widowed	80	6.91
Divorced	231	19.96
Unknown	*	**

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Table 2.6: The Ten Counties in North Carolina With Highest Suicide Rate
2009 Data

	County Population	N	Rate
Avery	17932	8	44.61
Cherokee	26307	9	34.21
Alexander	36777	11	29.90
Transylvania	30203	9	29.79
Carteret	64423	18	27.94
Burke	89548	20	22.33
Watauga	45479	10	21.98
Jackson	36891	8	21.68
Stokes	46150	10	21.66
Montgomery	27745	6	21.62

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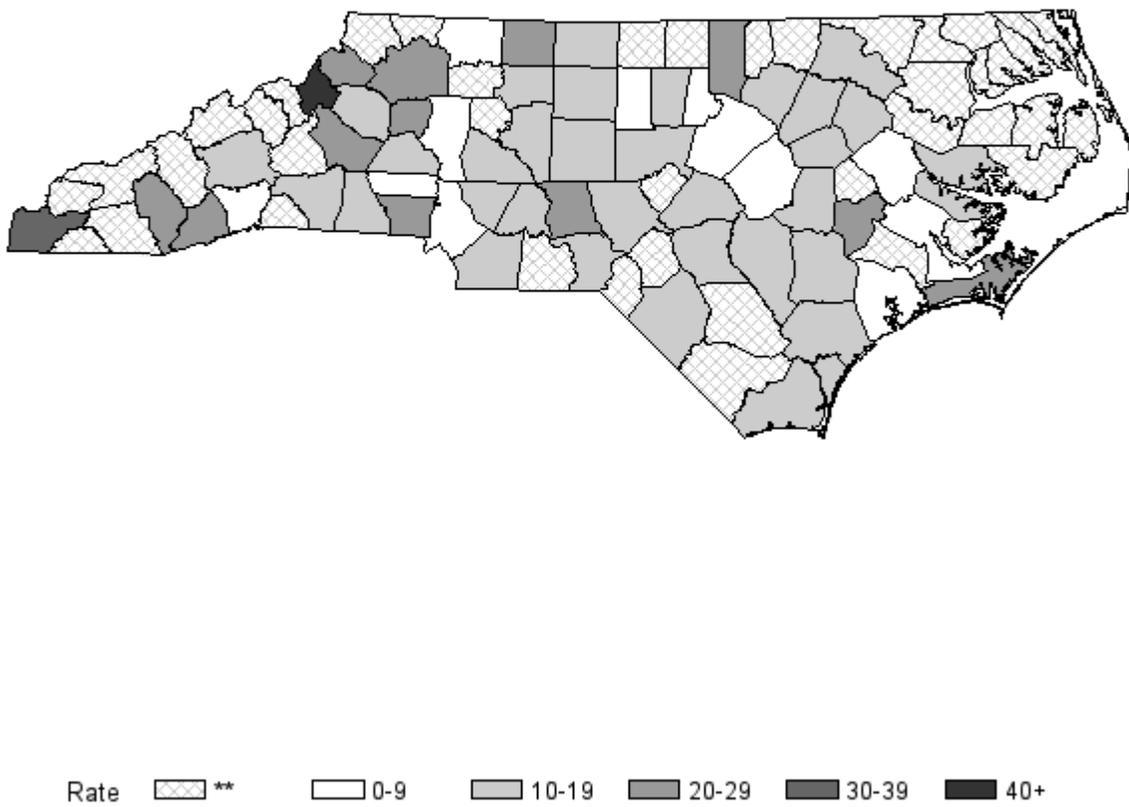


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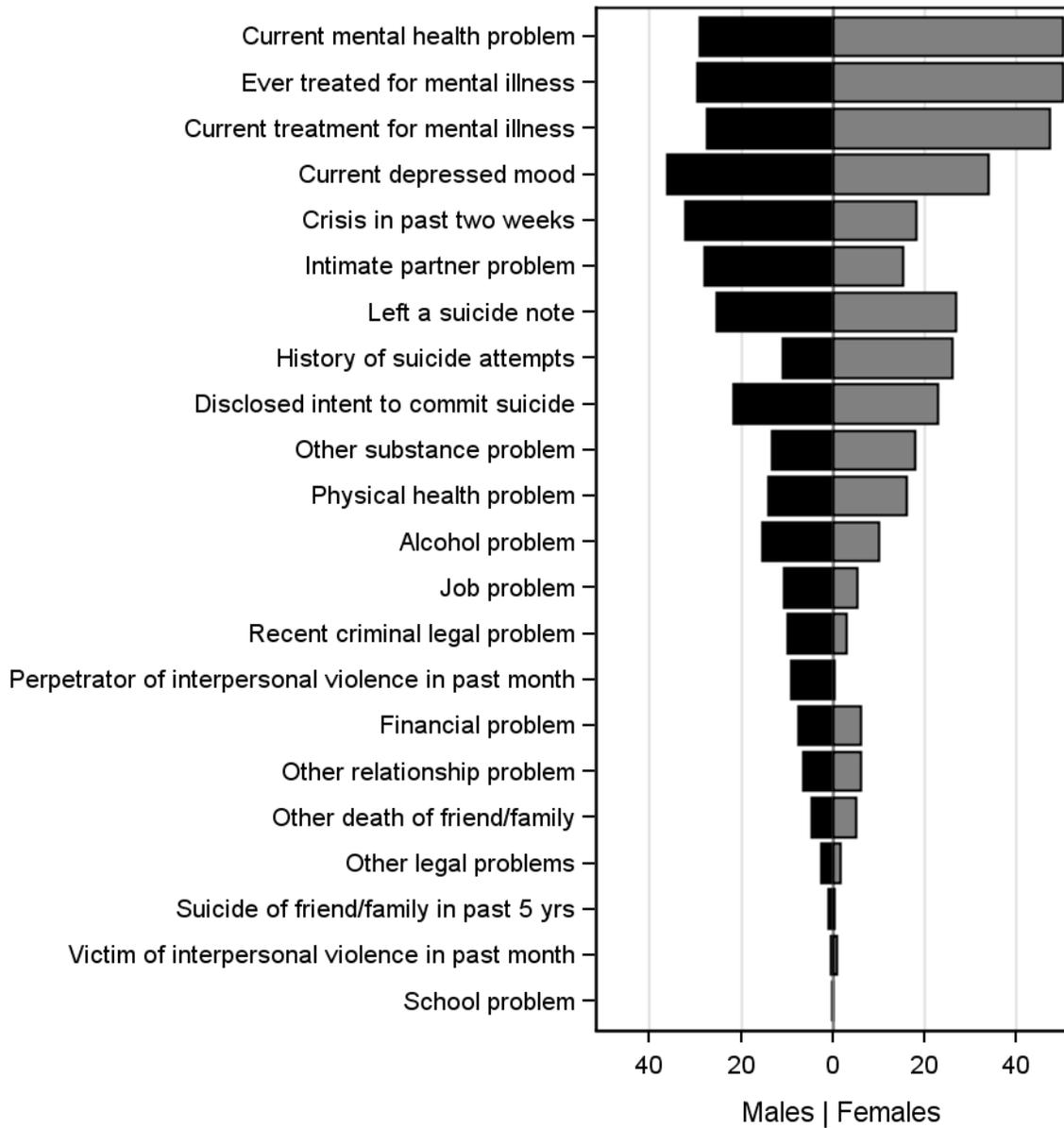


Figure 2.6: Circumstances of Suicide Victims in North Carolina. 2009 Data.

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**Table 2.7: Circumstances of Suicide Victims in North Carolina
2009 Data**

	Males		Females		All	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Current depressed mood	331	36.13	82	34.02	413	35.69
Ever treated for mental illness	271	29.58	121	50.20	392	33.88
Current mental health problem	266	29.03	121	50.20	387	33.44
Current treatment for mental illness	251	27.40	114	47.30	365	31.54
Crisis in past two weeks	294	32.09	44	18.25	338	29.21
Left a suicide note	232	25.32	65	26.97	297	25.66
Intimate partner problem	256	27.94	37	15.35	293	25.32
Disclosed intent to commit suicide	200	21.83	55	22.82	255	22.03
Physical health problem	129	14.08	39	16.18	168	14.52
Other substance problem	122	13.31	43	17.84	165	14.26
Alcohol problem	141	15.39	24	9.95	165	14.26
History of suicide attempts	100	10.91	63	26.14	163	14.08
Job problem	98	10.69	13	5.39	111	9.59
Recent criminal legal problem	91	9.93	7	2.90	98	8.47
Financial problem	70	7.64	15	6.22	85	7.34
Perpetrator of interpersonal violence in past month	83	9.06	*	**	84	7.26
Other relationship problem	60	6.55	15	6.22	75	6.48
Other death of friend/family	42	4.58	12	4.97	54	4.66
Other legal problems	24	2.62	*	**	28	2.42
Suicide of friend/family in past 5 yrs	8	0.87	*	**	9	0.77
Victim of interpersonal violence in past month	*	**	*	**	*	**
School problem	*	**			*	**

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Table 2.8: Mental Illnesses Under Treatment at Time of Suicide.
2009 Data

	Male Count	Female Count	All Count	All Percent
Depression/dysthymia	202	103	305	26.36
Bipolar disorder	51	21	72	6.22
Anxiety disorder	18	11	29	2.50
Schizophrenia	18	*	20	1.72
Unknown	12	*	14	1.21
Other (specify in diagnosis text)	9	*	10	0.86
ADD or hyperactivity disorder	*	*	*	**
Obsessive-compulsive disorder	*	*	*	**
Post-traumatic stress disorder	*		*	**

Percent in this table means: Of all suicide deaths, X% were under treatment for mental illness Y.
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Section 3: Homicide

Table 3.1: Homicides in North Carolina by Sex, Race, and Age
2009 Data

	Number	%	Rate	Lower	Upper
Gender					
Male	395	73.14	8.60	7.75	9.45
Female	145	26.85	3.02	2.53	3.51
Race					
American Indian	17	3.14	13.88	7.28	20.48
Asian	6	1.11	2.83	0.56	5.09
Black	280	51.85	13.53	11.95	15.12
White	234	43.33	3.35	2.92	3.78
Other	*	**	**	**	**
Ethnicity					
Non-Hispanic	491	90.92	5.66	5.16	6.16
Hispanic	49	9.07	6.82	4.91	8.73
Age					
< 1	6	1.11	4.53	0.90	8.16
1 - 4	10	1.85	1.87	0.71	3.04
5 - 9	*	**	**	**	**
10 - 14	*	**	**	**	**
15 - 19	48	8.88	7.43	5.33	9.53
20 - 24	100	18.51	14.97	12.04	17.91
25 - 34	141	26.11	11.41	9.52	13.29
35 - 44	88	16.29	6.67	5.28	8.07
45 - 54	79	14.62	5.91	4.61	7.22
55 - 64	34	6.29	3.14	2.08	4.20
65 - 74	13	2.40	1.98	0.90	3.06
75 - 84	10	1.85	2.57	0.97	4.16
85 +	8	1.48	5.37	1.64	9.09
All	540	100.00	5.75	5.27	6.24

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Table 3.2: Homicide by Sex in North Carolina: Race, Ethnicity, and Age.
2009 Data

	Males		Females		All	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Race						
American Indian	13	21.43	*	**	17	13.88
Asian	*	**	*	**	6	2.83
Black	226	23.24	54	4.92	280	13.53
White	150	4.34	84	2.38	234	3.35
Other	*	**	*	**	*	**
Ethnicity						
Non-Hispanic	352	8.39	139	3.10	491	5.66
Hispanic	43	10.80	6	1.87	49	6.82
Age						
< 1	*	**	*	**	6	4.53
1 - 4	*	**	*	**	10	1.87
5 - 9			*	**	*	**
10 - 14	*	**	*	**	*	**
15 - 19	36	10.84	12	3.82	48	7.43
20 - 24	76	21.57	24	7.60	100	14.97
25 - 34	127	20.59	14	2.26	141	11.41
35 - 44	66	10.09	22	3.31	88	6.67
45 - 54	48	7.40	31	4.51	79	5.91
55 - 64	19	3.70	15	2.64	34	3.14
65 - 74	9	3.02	*	**	13	1.98
75 - 84	*	**	*	**	10	2.57
85 +	*	**	6	5.73	8	5.37
All	395	8.60	145	3.02	540	5.75

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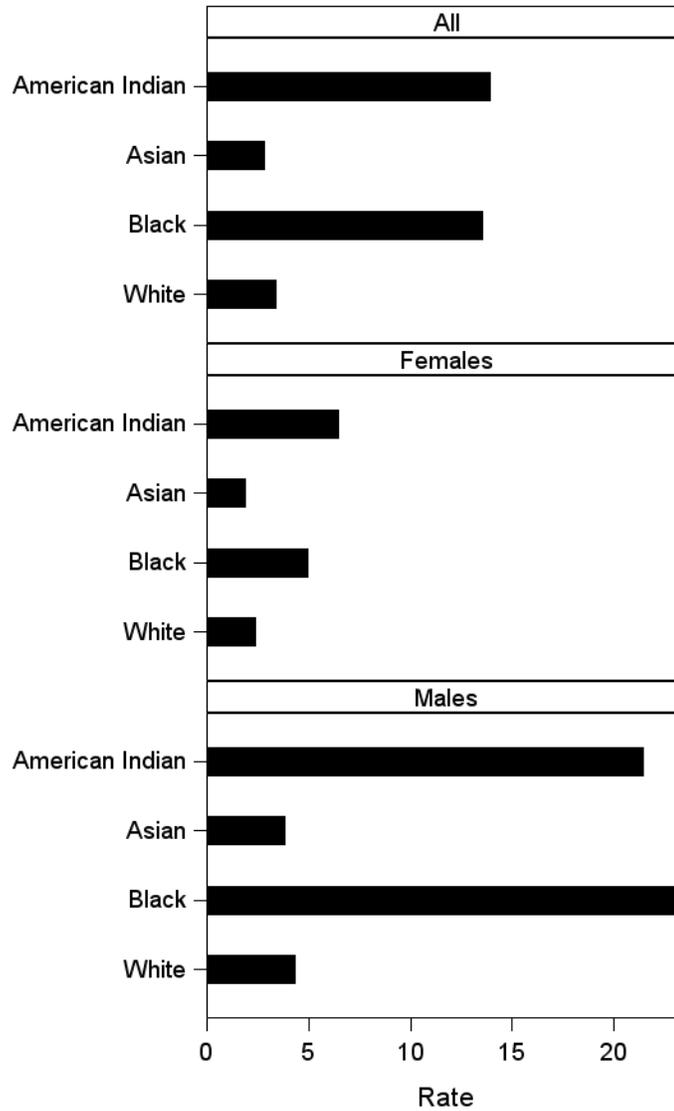


Figure 3.1: Rates of Homicide in North Carolina Grouped by Race and Sex. 2009 Data.

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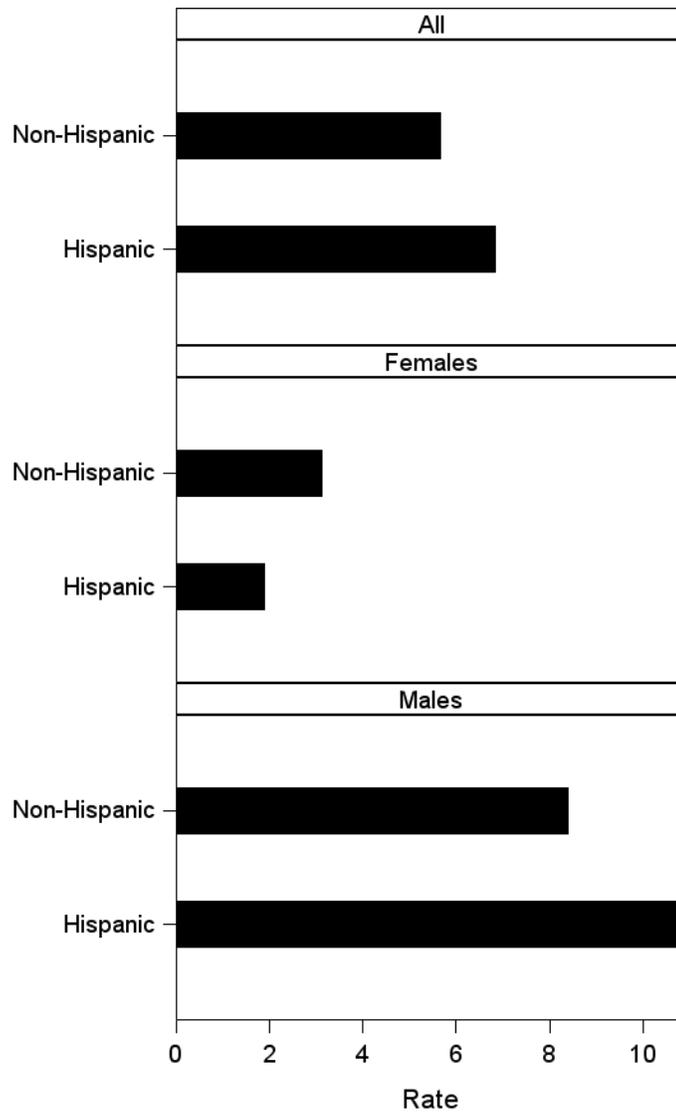


Figure 3.2: Rates of Homicide in North Carolina Grouped by Ethnicity and Sex. 2009 Data.

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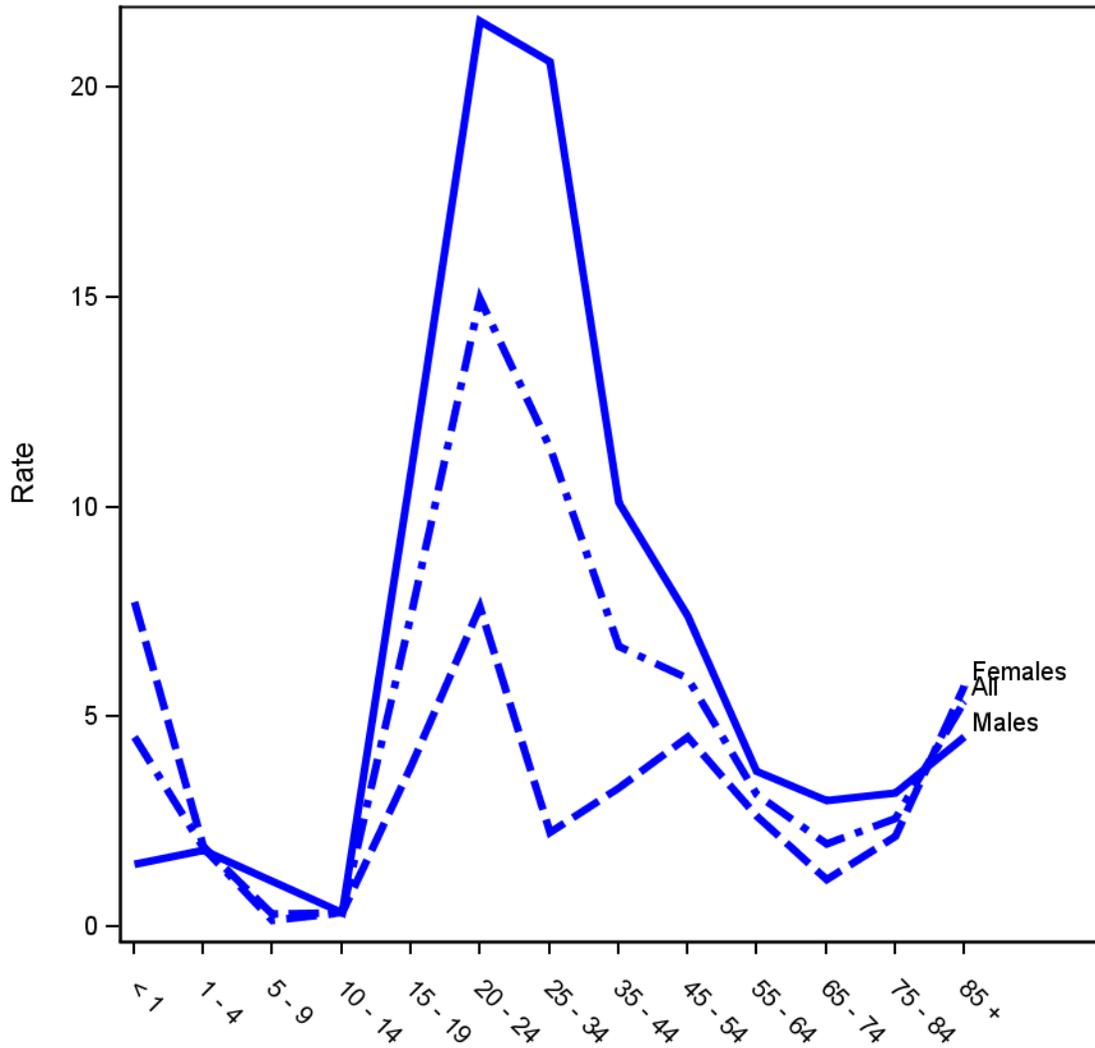


Figure 3.3: Rates of Homicide in North Carolina Grouped by Age and Sex. 2009 Data.

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Table 3.3: Manner and Method of Homicides in North Carolina
 2009 Data

	Number	%
Manner		
Homicide	540	100.00
Method		
Firearm	385	71.82
Sharp Instrument	67	12.50
Unarmed Assault	33	6.15
Blunt Instrument	25	4.66
Hanging, Strangulation, Suffocation	13	2.42
Other/Unknown	*	**
Motor Vehicle	*	**
Violent Shaking	*	**
Drowning	*	**
Fire or Burns	*	**
Intentional Neglect	*	**
Total	540	100.00

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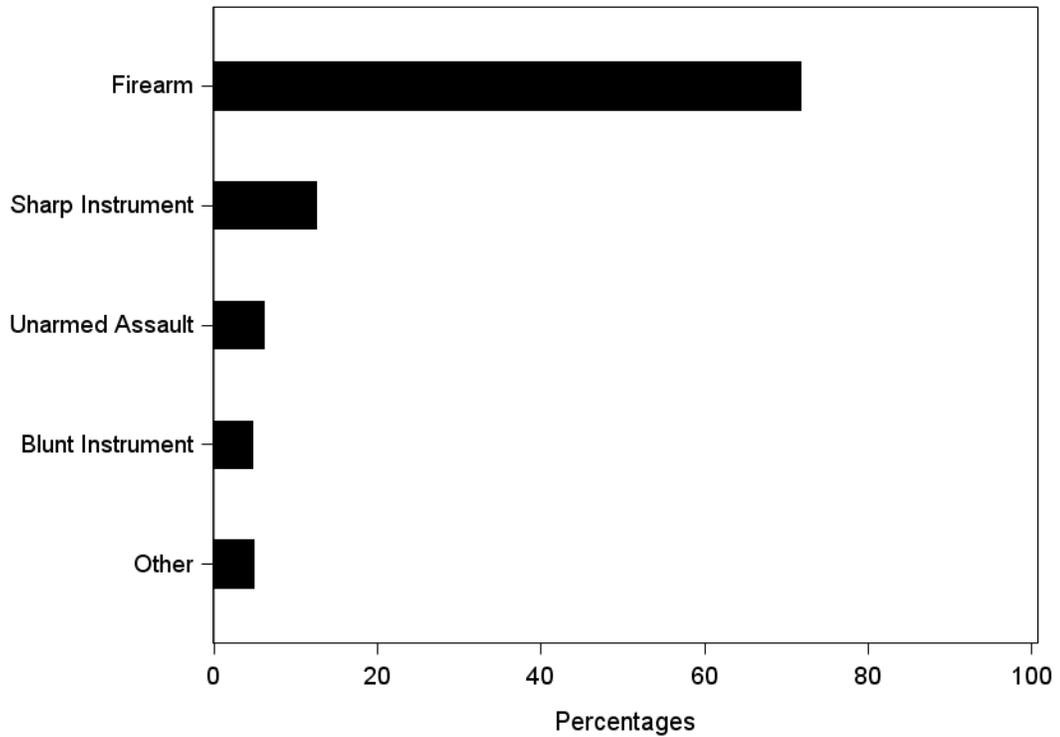


Figure 3.4: Method of Homicide in North Carolina. 2009 Data.

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Table 3.4: Homicides in North Carolina Grouped by Education Levels
2009 Data

	Number	%
0 to 8	39	7.76
9 to 11	147	29.28
12	220	43.82
More than 12	88	17.52
Unknown	8	1.59
All	502	100.00

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Table 3.5: Homicides in North Carolina Grouped by Marital Status
2009 Data

	Number	%
Married	115	21.29
Never married	333	61.66
Widowed	21	3.88
Divorced	68	12.59
Unknown	*	**

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Table 3.6: The Ten Counties in North Carolina With Highest Homicide Rate
2009 Data

	County Population	N	Rate
Scotland	36292	9	24.79
Bladen	32343	8	24.73
Robeson	129559	30	23.15
Moore	87158	15	17.21
Halifax	54582	7	12.82
Sampson	63713	8	12.55
Craven	98529	11	11.16
Cumberland	315207	32	10.15
Pitt	159057	16	10.05
Stanly	59794	6	10.03

Rates are reported per 100,000 person years.

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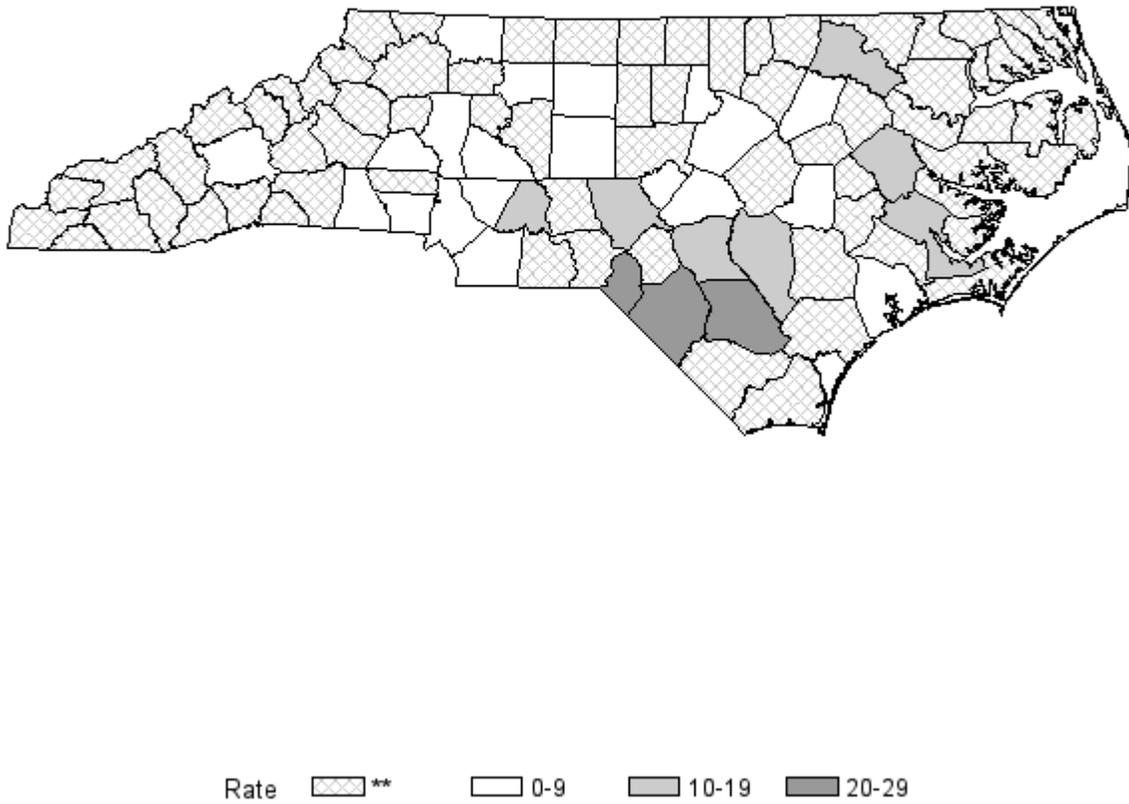


Figure 3.5: Rates of Homicide in North Carolina Counties. 2009 Data.

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**Table 3.7: Circumstances of Homicides in North Carolina.
2009 Data**

	Males	Females	Count	All Percent
Event Circumstances				
Other argument, abuse, conflict	182	40	222	41.11
Precipitated by another serious crime	118	36	154	28.51
Intimate partner violence related	29	66	95	17.59
Drug involvement	60	12	72	13.33
Argument over money or property	40	*	45	8.33
Gang related	17	*	20	3.70
Jealousy (Lovers Triangle)	14	*	17	3.14
Hate crime		*	*	**
Mercy killing	*		*	**
Brawl (Mutual Physical Fight)				
Terrorist attack				
Victim Circumstance				
Victim used a weapon	43	*	45	8.33
Justifiable self defense	15	*	16	2.96
Victim was a bystander	7	7	14	2.59
Victim was a police officer on duty	*		*	**
Intervener assisting crime victim		*	*	**

Percent is table means: Of all homicide deaths, X% were involved circumstance Y.
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Table 3.8: Crimes Precipitating Homicides in North Carolina.
2009 Data

	Male Count	Female Count	All Count	All Percent
Robbery	61	7	68	12.59
Burglary	37	6	43	7.96
Drug Trade	24	*	28	5.18
Rape, Sexual Assault	*	15	16	2.96
Assault, Homicide	12	*	13	2.40
Other	*	*	9	1.66
Motor Vehicle Theft	*	*	7	1.29
Arson	*	*	*	**
Gambling	*	0	*	**
No	0	0	0	0
Not Applicable	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0
Witness Intimidation/Elimination	0	0	0	0

Percent is table means: Of all homicides, X% were precipitated by crime Y.

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Violent Deaths in North Carolina Counties Grouped by Manner 2009 Data

	Manner of Death					Total	
	Suicide	Homicide	Unintentional Firearm	Legal Intervention	Undetermined	N	Rate
Alamance	15	*				21	13.96
Alexander	11	*				14	38.06
Alleghany	*					*	**
Anson	*	*		*		9	35.91
Ashe	*					*	**
Avery	8					8	44.61
Beaufort	6	*				10	21.54
Bertie	*	*				*	**
Bladen	*	8				13	40.19
Brunswick	13	*		*		17	15.87
Buncombe	37	6				45	19.44
Burke	20	*				22	24.56
Cabarrus	28	10				39	22.64
Caldwell	11	*		*		18	22.52
Camden							**
Carteret	18	*				21	32.59
Caswell	*	*				*	**
Catawba	25	10				37	23.25
Chatham	7	*		*		10	15.43
Cherokee	9	*				10	38.01
Chowan	*					*	**
Clay	*					*	**
Cleveland	15	7		*		23	23.16
Columbus	*	*				12	22.13
Craven	8	11		*		22	22.32
Cumberland	33	32				68	21.57
Currituck	*					*	**

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	Manner of Death					Total	
	Suicide	Homicide	Unintentional Firearm	Legal Intervention	Undetermined	N	Rate
Dare	*					*	**
Davidson	21	*				27	17.02
Davie	*					*	**
Duplin	8	*				12	22.56
Durham	18	24		*		45	16.68
Edgecombe	7	*				10	19.28
Forsyth	47	18		*		70	19.46
Franklin	11	*				13	21.63
Gaston	43	6		*		53	25.36
Gates	*	*				*	**
Graham	*					*	**
Granville	12	*				16	27.75
Greene	*	*				6	29.04
Guilford	51	21		*		78	16.23
Halifax	7	7				14	25.64
Harnett	13	6		*		21	18.14
Haywood	*	*				7	12.25
Henderson	6	*				14	13.50
Hertford	*	*				*	**
Hoke	*	*				8	17.71
Hyde							**
Iredell	14	6				25	15.80
Jackson	8					8	21.68
Johnston	14	*	*			20	11.86
Jones							**
Lee	*	6	*			14	23.14
Lenoir	12	*				13	23.05
Lincoln	7	*		*		12	15.78

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	Manner of Death					Total	
	Suicide	Homicide	Unintentional Firearm	Legal Intervention	Undetermined	N	Rate
Macon	*	*				9	20.46
Madison	*		*			6	18.05
Martin	*	*				*	**
McDowell	*	*		*		10	42.85
Mecklenburg	87	53		*		145	15.87
Mitchell	*					*	**
Montgomery	6	*				11	39.64
Moore	13	15	*			31	35.56
Nash	11	7		*		19	20.05
New Hanover	29	8				43	22.04
Northampton	*	*	*			6	29.79
Onslow	15	11	*	*		31	17.91
Orange	20	*				24	18.59
Pamlico	*	*				*	**
Pasquotank	*					*	**
Pender	9	*				11	21.00
Perquimans	*					*	**
Person	*	*				*	**
Pitt	14	16				31	19.48
Polk	*					*	**
Randolph	26	8		*		38	26.73
Richmond	7	*				14	30.45
Robeson	16	30				46	35.50
Rockingham	14	*				18	19.51
Rowan	19	7		*		31	22.01
Rutherford	11	*				13	20.49
Sampson	9	8				18	28.25

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	Manner of Death					Total	
	Suicide	Homicide	Unintentional Firearm	Legal Intervention	Undetermined	N	Rate
Scotland		9				9	24.79
Stanly	7	6				15	25.08
Stokes	10	*				13	28.16
Surry	6	7		*		14	19.31
Swain	*	*				*	**
Transylvania	9	*				11	36.42
Tyrrell	*					*	**
Union	21	9				30	15.10
Vance	*	*	*			11	25.54
Wake	70	23			*	99	11.03
Warren	*	*				*	**
Washington	*					*	**
Watauga	10					10	21.98
Wayne	21	11				32	28.11
Wilkes	14	*				17	25.54
Wilson	8	*				13	16.59
Yadkin	*	*				7	18.56
Yancey	*	*				6	32.34

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Appendix B

Glossary

Adult	Person was 18 years of age or older on date of death.
Child	Person was less than 18 years of age on date of death.
Legal Intervention	Decedent was killed by a peace officer acting in the line of duty. Includes legal executions.
Occurent Death	Death occurred in North Carolina. Decedent may or may not have been a resident of North Carolina at the time of death.
Peace Officer	Person with specified legal authority to use deadly force. (For example, police or military officers.)
Rate	The number of events (deaths, suicides, etc.) per 100,000 person years.
Resident Death	Victim was a North Carolina resident at the time of death, and the death occurred in North Carolina. All deaths in this report are resident deaths.
Undetermined intent	A death resulting from the use of force or power against oneself or another for which the evidence is not sufficient to determine intent.
Violent death	Intentional use of physical force or power against oneself, another individual, or group. This includes suicides, homicides, and legal interventions.
