

Anson County Violence Profile



Anson County, in southern North Carolina, has a population of 21,775 and is predominantly rural. The largest city is Wadesboro (pop.4,882). The closest trauma centers are Atrium Health Cabarrus and Carolinas Medical Center (both 51 miles from Wadesboro).

Crime

In 2023, Anson County had a total crime count of 1,536 with 91 violent crimes*

Violent crime in Anson County has decreased by 10% in the past year

Violent Crimes per 100,000 people

478 312
Anson Statewide

The most common violent crimes were aggravated assault (74.7%) and robbery (11.0%)

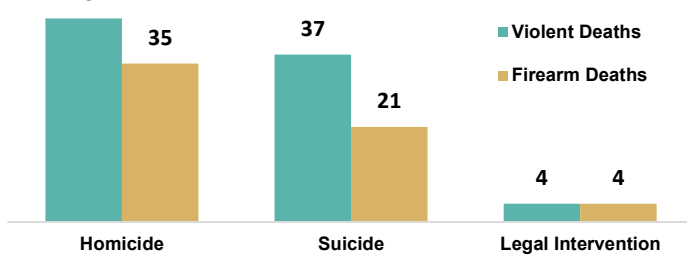
*Violent Crimes include the offenses of homicide (murder and non-negligent manslaughter and negligent manslaughter), aggravated assault, rape (including sodomy and sexual assault with an object) and robbery. Anson County had a reporting coverage of 87% of the population compared to the statewide coverage of 98% (2021). Source: CJAC NIBRS 2023. For more detailed crime data visit: [NC Justice Data Portal](#)

Violent Deaths

Anson County had 7 violent deaths* in 2022

78% of homicides and 57% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm

All Violent Deaths and Firearm Deaths by Manner; Anson County, 2013-2022



Male, Non-Hispanic Black, Non-Hispanic White, and middle-aged adult residents have the highest rates of violent death in Anson County

In Anson County, 67% of all homicide deaths involved an argument or conflict

Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim

In Anson County...

Exactly

1 in 5

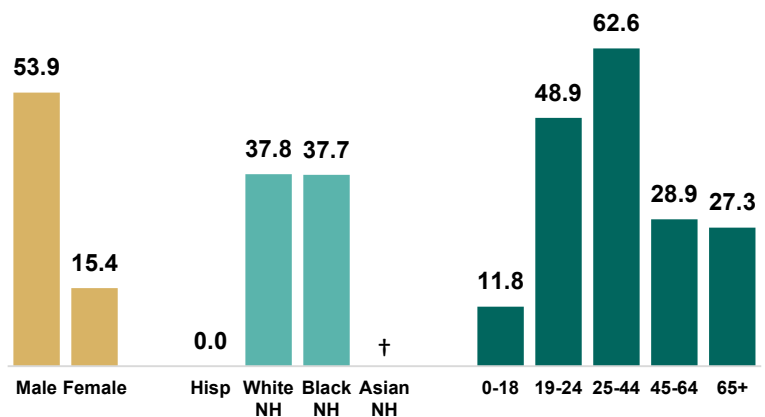
male homicide deaths involved drugs (dealing, trade or use)

Exactly

1 in 2

female homicide deaths involved intimate partner violence

Violent Death Rate by Demographics; Anson County, 2013-2022

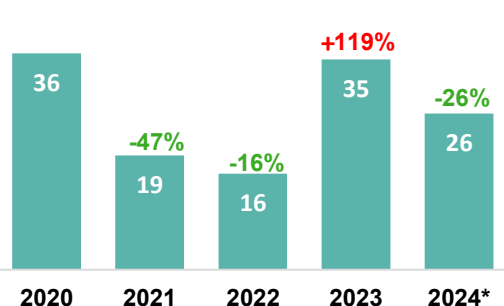


† indicates fewer than 5 deaths; rates based on fewer than 5 deaths are considered unstable

Source: VDRS 2013-2022.

*Violent deaths includes deaths due to homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm, legal intervention, and undetermined intent. Limited to NC residents. 96% of homicide victims had circumstance information. Suicide deaths are only reported for ages ≥10. For more detailed violent death data visit: [NC-VDRS Data Dashboard](#)

Firearm-related Injury Emergency Department Visits by Year; Anson County



Violent Injury

In 2024, a total of 26 Anson County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

Emergency department visits due to firearm injury decreased by 26% in the past year among Anson County residents

provisional data. Source: NC DETECT, ED Visits 2020-2024

For more detailed firearm injury data visit: [NC FASTER Reports | NC DETECT](#)



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