

Lenoir County Violence Profile



Lenoir County, located in eastern North Carolina, has a population of 55,687 and is predominantly urban. The largest city is Kinston with a population of 19,181. The closest trauma center is ECU Medical Center (31 miles from Kinston).

Crime



Lenoir County only reports crime data that represents 36% of the county population. Due to low reporting, crime statistics are not interpretable.

For more detailed crime data visit: [NC Justice Data Portal](#)

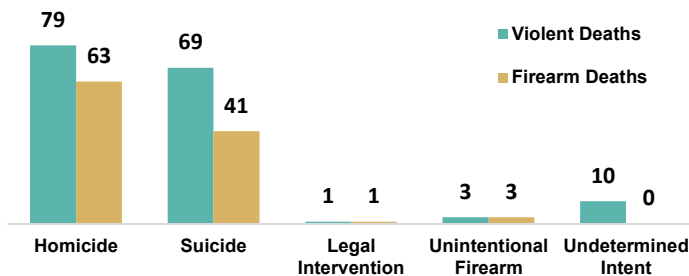
Male, Non-Hispanic Black, and young adult residents have the highest rates of violent death in Lenoir County

Violent Deaths

Lenoir County had 22 violent deaths* in 2022

80% of homicides and 59% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm

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



In Lenoir County, 35% of all homicide deaths involved an argument or conflict

Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim

In Lenoir County...

Exactly

1 in 5

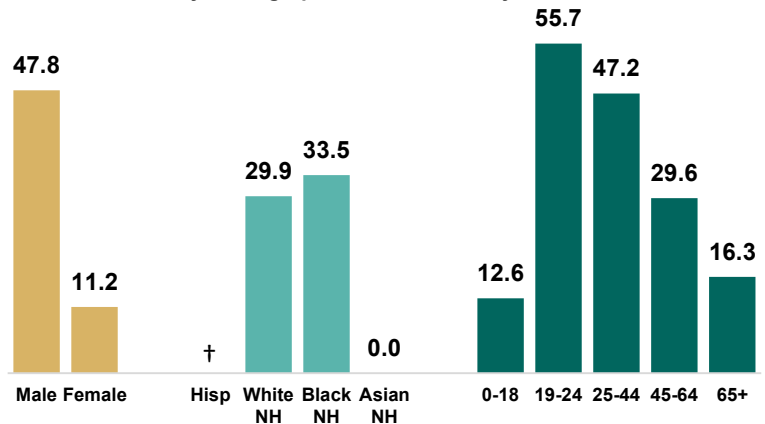
male homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime

Nearly

1 in 5

female homicide deaths involved intimate partner violence

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

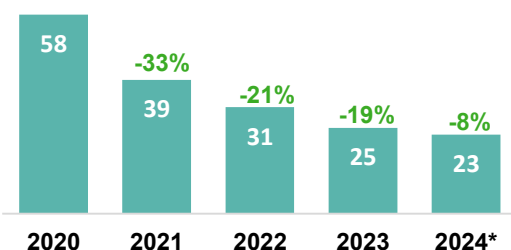


† indicates fewer than 5 deaths; rates based on fewer than 5 deaths are considered unstable

Source: VDRS 2013-2022.

*Violent deaths includes deaths due to homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm, legal intervention, and undetermined intent. Limited to NC residents. 84% 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; Lenoir County



Violent Injury

In 2024, a total of 23 Lenoir County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

Emergency department visits due to firearm injury decreased by 8% in the past year among Lenoir 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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