

Madison County Violence Profile



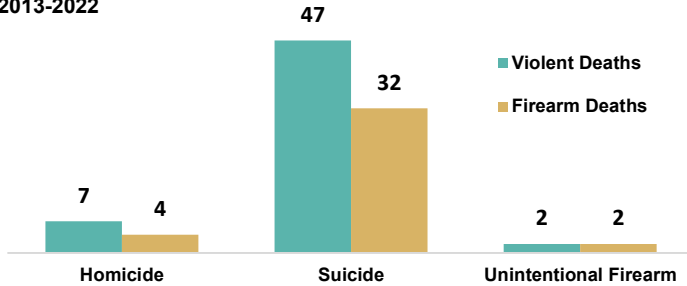
Madison County, located in western North Carolina, has a population of 22,451 and is predominantly rural. The largest city is Mars Hill with a population of 2,324. The closest trauma center is Mission Hospitals (20 miles from Mars Hill).

Violent Deaths

Madison County had 6 violent deaths* in 2022

57% of homicides and 68% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm

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



Crime

In 2023, Madison County had a total crime count of 470 with 15 violent crimes*

Violent crime in Madison County has increased by 114% in the past year

Violent Crimes per 100,000 people

75 312
Madison Statewide

The most common violent crimes were aggravated assault (93.3%) and robbery (6.7%)

*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. Madison County had a reporting coverage of 94% 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](#)

Male, Non-Hispanic White, and older adult residents have the highest rates of violent death in Madison County

In Madison County, 29% of all homicide deaths involved an argument or conflict

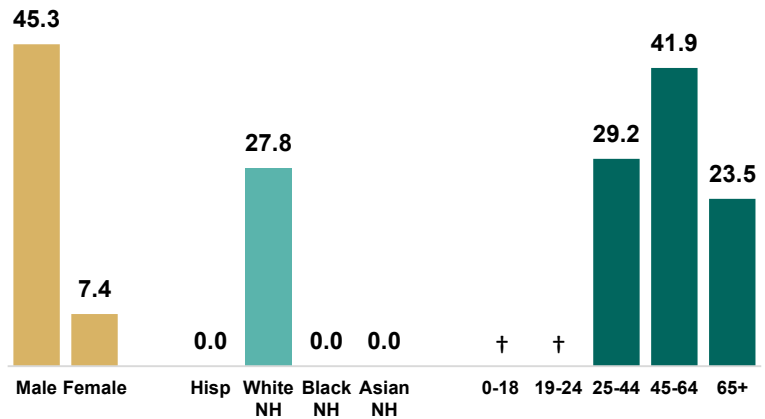
Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim

In North Carolina...

More than
1 in 4
male homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime

More than
1 in 3
female homicide deaths involved intimate partner violence

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

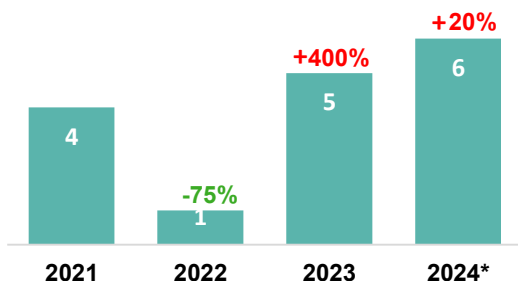


† indicates fewer than 5 deaths; rates based on fewer than 5 deaths are considered unstable

Source: VDRS 2013-2022.

*Violent deaths includes deaths due to homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm, legal intervention, and undetermined intent. Limited to NC residents. 92% 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; Madison County



Violent Injury

In 2024, a total of 6 Madison County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

Emergency department visits due to firearm injury increased by 20% in the past year among Madison 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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