

# Rockingham County Violence Profile



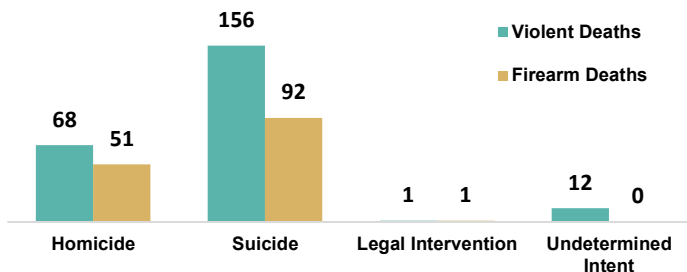
Rockingham County, located in north-central North Carolina, has a population of 93,622 and is predominantly rural. The largest city is Eden with a population of 15,282. The closest trauma center is Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital (31 miles from Eden).

## Violent Deaths

Rockingham County had 23 violent deaths\* in 2022

**75% of homicides and 59% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm**

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



In Rockingham County, 33% of all homicide deaths involved an argument or conflict

**Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim**

In Rockingham County...

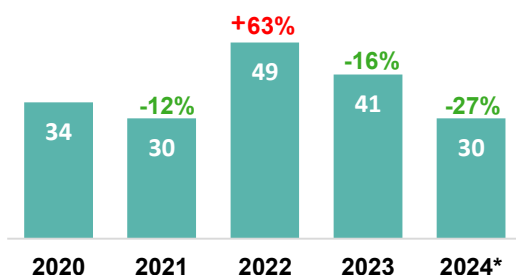
More than  
**2 in 5**  
male homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime

More than  
**2 in 5**  
female homicide deaths involved intimate partner violence

Source: VDRS 2013-2022.

\*Violent deaths includes deaths due to homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm, legal intervention, and undetermined intent. Limited to NC residents. 93% 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; Rockingham County



## Violent Injury

In 2024, a total of 30 Rockingham County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

**Emergency department visits due to firearm injury decreased by 27% in the past year among Rockingham County residents**

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

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

## Crime

In 2023, Rockingham County had a total crime count of 5,553 with 233 violent crimes\*

**Violent crime in Rockingham County has increased by 11% in the past year**

**Violent Crimes per 100,000 people**

**256 312**  
Rockingham Statewide

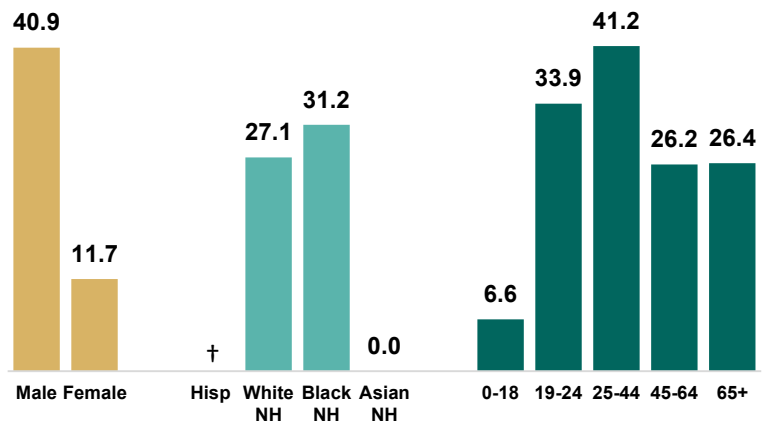
The most common violent crimes were aggravated assault (67.0%) and rape (16.3%)

\*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. Rockingham County had a reporting coverage of 100% 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 Black, and middle-aged adult residents have the highest rates of violent death in Rockingham County**

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



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



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