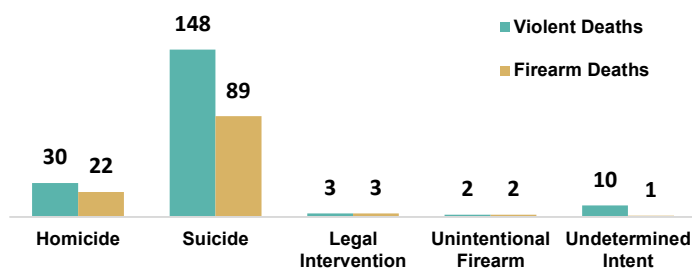# Surry County Violence Profile

Surry County, located in northwestern North Carolina, has a population of 71,422 and is predominantly rural. The largest city is Mount Airy with a population of 10,570. The closest trauma center is Atrium WFBH Medical Center (39 miles from Mount Airy).

Crime

In 2023, Surry County had a total crime count of 3,045 with 120 violent crimes*

Violent crime in Surry County has decreased by 8% in the past year

Violent Crimes per 100,000 people

168	312
Surry	Statewide

The most common violent crimes were aggravated assault (63.3%) and rape (25.0%)

*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.
Surry 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**

Violent Deaths

Surry County had 14 violent deaths* in 2022

73% of homicides and 60% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm

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

Legend: ■ Violent Deaths ■ Firearm Deaths

Manner	Violent Deaths	Firearm Deaths
Homicide	30	22
Suicide	148	89
Legal Intervention	3	3
Unintentional Firearm	2	2
Undetermined Intent	10	1

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

In Surry County, 41% of all homicide deaths involved an argument or conflict

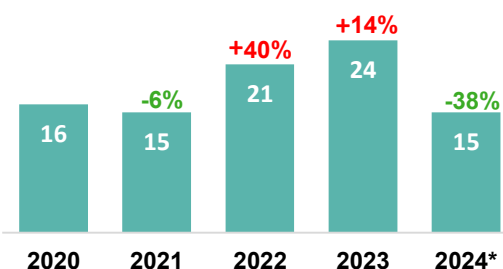**Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim**

In Surry County...

Exactly **2 in 5** male homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime	More than **2 in 3** female homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime

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

Demographic	Rate
Male	41.0
Female	13.3
Hisp	†
White NH	30.3
Black NH	†
Asian NH	†
0-18	4.9
19-24	37.1
25-44	35.6
45-64	29.9
65+	34.0

† indicates fewer than 5 deaths; rates based on fewer than 5 deaths are considered unstable
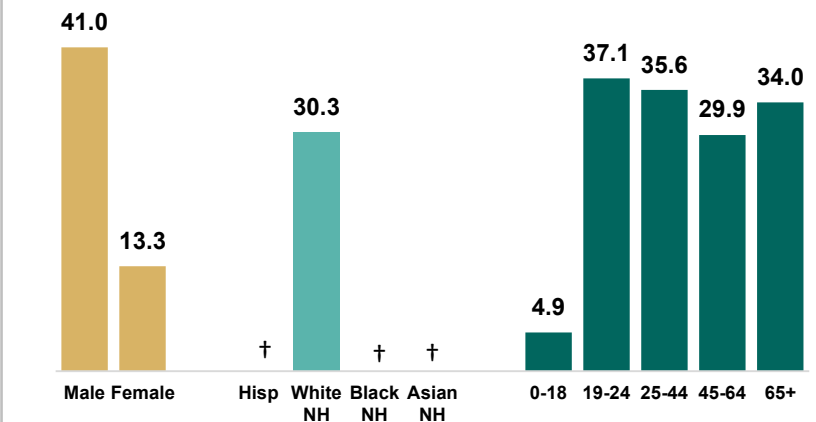
Source: VDRS 2013-2022.
*Violent deaths includes deaths due to homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm, legal intervention, and undetermined intent. Limited to NC residents. 97% of homicide victims had circumstance information. Suicide deaths are only reported for ages ≥10. For more detailed violent death data visit: **NC-VDRS Data Dashboard**

Violent Injury

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

Year	Visits	Change
2020	16	
2021	15	-6%
2022	21	+40%
2023	24	+14%
2024*	15	-38%

In 2024, a total of 15 Surry County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

Emergency department visits due to firearm injury decreased by 38% in the past year among Surry County residents

provisional data. Source: NC DETECT, ED Visits 2020-2024
For more detailed firearm injury data visit: **NC FASTER Reports | NC DETECT**