

Vance County Violence Profile



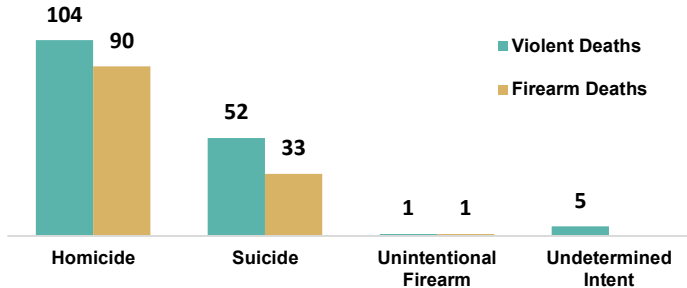
Vance County, located in northeastern North Carolina, has a population of 41,263 and is predominantly rural. The largest city is Henderson with a population of 14,857. The closest trauma center is Duke University Hospital (43 miles from Henderson).

Violent Deaths

Vance County had 17 violent deaths* in 2022

87% of homicides and 63% of suicides in the past 10 years involved a firearm

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



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

Homicide circumstances vary by sex of the victim

In Vance County...

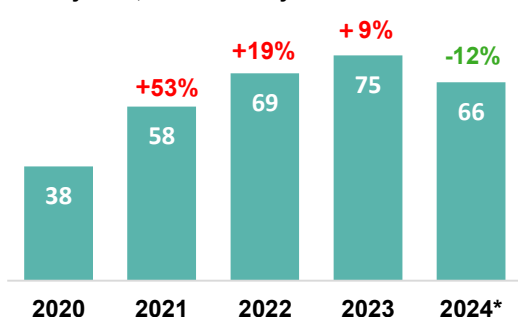
More than
1 in 3
male homicide deaths were precipitated by another crime

Exactly
1 in 2
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. 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](#)

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



Violent Injury

In 2024, a total of 66 Vance County residents visited the emergency department due to firearm injury

Emergency department visits due to firearm injury decreased by 12% in the past year among Vance 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, Vance County had a total crime count of 3,730 with 291 violent crimes*

Violent crime in Vance County has decreased by 1% in the past year

Violent Crimes per 100,000 people

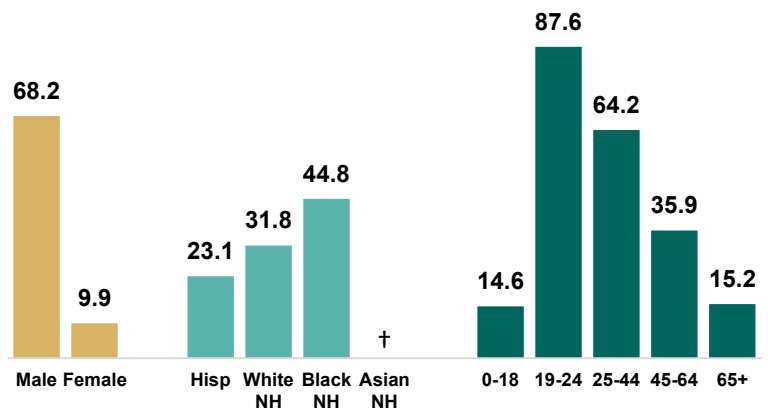
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Vance Statewide

The most common violent crimes were aggravated assault (78.0%) and robbery (15.8%)

*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. Vance 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 young adult residents have the highest rates of violent death in Vance County

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



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



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