The North Carolina Violent Death Reporting System (NC-VDRS) is a CDC-funded statewide surveillance system that collects detailed information on violent deaths that occur in North Carolina including: homicide, suicide, unintentional firearm deaths, legal intervention, and deaths of undetermined intent. NC-VDRS triangulates information from death certificates, medical examiner reports, and law enforcement reports to understand and aid in the prevention of violent deaths. For more information, please visit [https://www.injuryfreenc.ncdhhs.gov/About/ncVDRS.htm](https://www.injuryfreenc.ncdhhs.gov/About/ncVDRS.htm).

**Manner of Death Among NH White Victims:**
**NC-VDRS 2010-2019**

- For the year 2019, there were 6,668,532 non-Hispanic (NH) white residents living in North Carolina, accounting for 63.6% of the state's population.

- NH white victims had the third highest rate of violent death by race in North Carolina (21.7 per 100,000 population)

**Violent Death Rate by Race/Ethnicity: NC-VDRS, 2010-2019**

- From 2010 to 2019, 14,102 NH white residents in North Carolina died by violence.

- There were 1,897 homicides (13.5%), 11,459 suicides (81.3%), 96 unintentional firearm deaths (0.7%), 141 deaths due to legal interventions (1.0%), and 509 deaths of undetermined intent (3.6%) among NH white residents.

- Male NH White residents were more likely to die by violence than females from 2010 to 2019 (73.6% versus 26.4%).

**Manner of Death by Race/Ethnicity: NC-VDRS, 2010-2019**

- NH white victims accounted for 31.7% of all homicides and 86.2% of all suicides, across all racial groups in North Carolina from 2010 to 2019.

- In contrast, NH Black victims accounted for 57.2% of all homicides and 8.6% of all suicides, across all racial groups in North Carolina from 2010 to 2019.
• Of all homicides among NH white victims with known circumstance information, over one-third (42.6%) involved an argument or conflict.

• Another serious crime (e.g., robbery, burglary) precipitated 32.8% of homicides among NH white victims.

• Of these homicides, 28.5% involved intimate partner violence.

Suicide Circumstances* Among NH White Victims:
NC-VDRS, 2010-2019

- Among NH white suicide victims with known circumstance information, 52.2% were characterized as having a current mental health problem and 36.1% were characterized as being depressed at the time of suicide.

- More than one-third (37.3%) of NH white suicide victims experienced a recent crisis.

- Thirty-two percent (32.0%) of NH white suicide victims left a suicide note and 27.8% disclosed their intent to complete suicide.

- Twenty-five percent (25.1%) of NH white suicide victims experienced a recent problem with an intimate partner.

* Ninety-six percent (96.7%) of suicide cases had circumstance information.

Method of Death Among NH White Victims:
NC-VDRS, 2010-2019

- The majority of homicides (59.9%) and suicides (59.0%) among NH white victims involved firearms.

- The second most common method of homicide was sharp instruments (14.2%).

- The second most common method of suicide was hanging, strangulation or suffocation (20.4%).

*Other includes fire/burn, falls, intentional neglect, personal weapons and other methods.

Homicide Circumstances* Among NH White Victims:
NC-VDRS, 2010-2019

- Ninety-four percent (94.0%) of homicide cases had circumstance information.