

## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Age Group\* North Carolina Residents, 2016

### ALL AGES

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	1,822
2	MVT - Unintentional	1,472
3	Fall - Unintentional	1,226
4	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	787
5	Firearm - Assault	560
6	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	278
7	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	232
8	Suffocation - Unintentional	214
9	Unspecified - Unintentional	181
10	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	108
--	All other injuries	924
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>7,804</b>

### INFANTS (<1)

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Suffocation - Unintentional	28
2	Other spec/class - Assault	3
	Unspecified - Assault	3
3	MVT - Unintentional	2
	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	2
	Suffocation - Undetermined	2
4	Drowning - Assault	1
	Drowning - Unintentional	1
	Machinery - Unintentional	1
	Poisoning - Undetermined	1
--	All other injuries	3
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>47</b>

### 1 - 4 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	12
2	Drowning - Unintentional	11
3	Unspecified - Assault	5
4	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	4
	Pedestrian, other - Unintentional	4
5	Firearm - Assault	3
6	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	2
	Other spec/class - Assault	2
7	Firearm - Undetermined	1
	Other land transport - Unintentional	1
--	All other injuries	6
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>51</b>

### 5 - 14 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	39
2	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	9
3	Drowning - Unintentional	8
4	Firearm - Assault	6
5	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	5
6	Other land transport - Unintentional	3
	Unspecified - Assault	3
7	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	2
	Pedestrian, other - Unintentional	2
	Suffocation - Unintentional	2
--	All other injuries	11
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>90</b>

NOTE: Overall totals may not add up to the sum of the individual categories due to records with unknown or missing age information. In the case of ties, causes are listed alphabetically in terms of ranking.

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### 15 - 24 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	277
2	Poisoning - Unintentional	163
3	Firearm - Assault	160
4	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	97
5	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	55
6	Drowning - Unintentional	19
7	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	8
8	Cut/pierce - Assault	7
	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	7
	Unspecified - Assault	7
--	All other injuries	74
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>874</b>

### 25 - 44 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	940
2	MVT - Unintentional	478
3	Firearm - Assault	268
4	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	221
5	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	109
6	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	65
7	Fall - Unintentional	27
8	Cut/pierce - Assault	25
9	Drowning - Unintentional	24
10	Poisoning - Undetermined	19
--	All other injuries	184
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>2,360</b>

### 45 - 64 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	645
2	MVT - Unintentional	409
3	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	272
4	Fall - Unintentional	138
5	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	130
6	Firearm - Assault	99
7	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	86
8	Suffocation - Unintentional	47
9	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	38
10	Unspecified - Unintentional	34
--	All other injuries	292
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>2,190</b>

### AGES 65 & OVER

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Fall - Unintentional	1,054
2	MVT - Unintentional	255
3	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	192
4	Unspecified - Unintentional	131
5	Suffocation - Unintentional	120
6	Poisoning - Unintentional	72
7	Adverse effects - Other	56
8	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	49
9	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	29
10	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	25
--	All other injuries	209
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>2,192</b>

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## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Race/Ethnicity\* North Carolina Residents, 2016

### NON-HISPANIC WHITE

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	1,498
2	Fall - Unintentional	1,088
3	MVT - Unintentional	939
4	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	689
5	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	226
6	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	209
7	Suffocation - Unintentional	151
8	Firearm - Assault	147
9	Unspecified - Unintentional	142
10	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	78
--	All other injuries	619
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>5,786</b>

### NON-HISPANIC BLACK

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	362
2	Firearm - Assault	356
3	Poisoning - Unintentional	246
4	Fall - Unintentional	102
5	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	55
6	Suffocation - Unintentional	52
7	Unspecified - Unintentional	31
8	Cut/pierce - Assault	29
9	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	25
10	Adverse effects - Other	24
--	All other injuries	197
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>1,479</b>

### NON-HISPANIC AMERICAN INDIAN

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	32
2	Poisoning - Unintentional	23
3	Firearm - Assault	20
4	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	8
5	Fall - Unintentional	7
6	Fire/Burn - Unintentional	3
	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	3
	Suffocation - Unintentional	3
7	Adverse effects - Other	2
	Cut/pierce - Self-Inflicted	2
--	All other injuries	16
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>119</b>

### HISPANIC

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	MVT - Unintentional	107
2	Poisoning - Unintentional	36
3	Firearm - Assault	27
4	Fall - Unintentional	19
	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	19
5	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	12
6	Drowning - Unintentional	11
7	Pedestrian, other - Unintentional	5
8	Natural/Environ - Unintentional	4
	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	4
--	All other injuries	35
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>		<b>279</b>

\*Racial/ethnic group totals will not add up to overall total because deaths occurring among other races are not included here. Caution should be taken when comparing the number of deaths across racial/ethnic groupings. Population size varies considerably from one racial/ethnic group to another. The number of deaths for each group is to a large extent a reflection of that population size.

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## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Gender\* North Carolina Residents, 2016

### FEMALE

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	650
2	Fall - Unintentional	641
3	MVT - Unintentional	442
4	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	141
5	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	140
6	Firearm - Assault	105
7	Unspecified - Unintentional	94
8	Suffocation - Unintentional	84
9	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	55
10	Adverse effects - Other	49
--	All other injuries	277
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>2,678</b>

### MALE

Rank	Cause	Deaths
1	Poisoning - Unintentional	1,172
2	MVT - Unintentional	1,030
3	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	647
4	Fall - Unintentional	585
5	Firearm - Assault	455
6	Suffocation - Self-Inflicted	223
7	Suffocation - Unintentional	130
8	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	91
9	Unspecified - Unintentional	87
10	Drowning - Unintentional	69
--	All other injuries	635
	<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes</b>	<b>5,124</b>

\*NOTE: Overall totals may not add up to the sum of the individual categories due to records with unknown/missing gender information. In the case of ties, causes are listed alphabetically in terms of ranking.

