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About the NIBRS Data Source

This data comes from the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). NIBRS data is collected voluntarily from law enforcement agencies and reported to the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) who then transmit the data to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

NIBRS Update Schedule

Dashboards using NIBRS data are refreshed every quarter (January, April, July, October). Annual data is added in October of the following year.

Other Things to Consider

- The offense definitions used by NIBRS are not related to state criminal statutes and care should be taken when comparing NIBRS offenses to criminal charges.
- Other factors, such as the overall demographics of an area, population size and density, economic conditions, and other location-based circumstances should be considered when viewing crime data.
- Not all law enforcement agencies in North Carolina report NIBRS data. See the Reporting
 Agencies page of the Justice Data Portal for the most up-to-date information on which agencies
 reported each year.

| Counties with Less than 75% of Population Covered by Reporting Agencies | |
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| 2019 | 2020 |
| Beaufort | Beaufort |
| Brunswick | Brunswick |
| Clay | Clay |
| Cleveland | Columbus |
| Columbus | Davie |
| Davie | Hoke |
| Gates | Hyde |
| Halifax | Jones |
| Harnett | Lenoir |
| Henderson | Nash |
| Hoke | Northampton |
| Hyde | Pender |
| Jones | Perquimans |
| Lenoir | Stokes |
| Martin | Washington |
| Nash | |
| Northampton | |
| Pender | |
| Perquimans | |
| Randolph | |
| Stanly | |
| Stokes | |
| Washington | |



About the Reported Offender Characteristics Dashboard

Offender characteristics are collected by local law enforcement when a crime is reported. Each year in North Carolina approximately 70% of crime incidents have at least one characteristic of the offender(s) – race, ethnicity, gender, or age – reported to law enforcement for identification purposes.

Please note:

- There may be multiple offenders reported within a single incident of crime.
- This does not include instances where no information is known about a possible offender or offenders.
- This includes reported offenders for all crime types.
- This dashboard reflects only the characteristics of the person(s) reported to have been the offender(s) or potential offender(s) to law enforcement. This is not related to whether an arrest was made for a crime or the characteristics of any arrested persons.

Level of Aggregation

For the purposes of this dashboard, each reported offender is counted once per incident reported.



About the Victim Demographics Dashboard

Victim demographic information is collected by law enforcement at the time a crime is reported. This dashboard only describes victims who made a report to law enforcement and is not reflective of all victimizations.

Level of Aggregation

For the purposes of this dashboard, each individual victim is counted once per incident reported. In circumstances where a victim reports both a person offense and a property offense in the same incident, that victim is counted in the person offense group.

Terms and Definitions

Offense Groups

Person – an offense against an individual, such as a homicide, assault, or sex offense.

Property – an offense to obtain money or some other goods, such as burglary, larceny, or fraud.

Race Categories

Other/Unknown includes:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- o Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Unknown Race