

## Leading Causes of Injury Death\* By Age Group North Carolina Residents, 2009

### ALL AGES

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	1,342
2	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	1,036
3	Fall - Unintentional.....	837
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	673
5	Firearm - Assault.....	405
6	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	252
7	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	233
8	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	205
9	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	202
10	Fire/Burn - Unintentional.....	108
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	781
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>6,074</b>

### INFANTS (<1)

Rank	Cause	Number
1	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	20
2	Other specification/ class - Assault.....	4
3	MVT - Unintentional.....	3
4	Drowning - Unintentional.....	2
5	Adverse Effects - Other.....	1
6	Cut/ Pierce - Unintentional.....	1
7	Fall - Undetermined.....	1
8	Fall - Unintentional.....	1
9	Other specification/ NEC - Undetermined....	1
10	Poisoning - Undetermined.....	1
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	2
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>37</b>

### 1 - 4 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	20
2	Drowning - Unintentional.....	10
3	Unspecified - Assault.....	5
4	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	4
5	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	3
6	Fall - Unintentional.....	2
7	Firearm - Unintentional.....	2
8	Other specification/ NEC - Undetermined....	2
9	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	2
10	Adverse Effects - Other.....	1
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	8
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>59</b>

### 5 - 14 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	30
2	Drowning - Unintentional.....	7
3	Pedestrian, Other - Unintentional.....	4
4	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	4
5	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	2
6	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	2
7	Other land transport - Unintentional.....	2
8	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	2
9	Transport, Other - Unintentional.....	2
10	Cut/ Pierce - Assault.....	1
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	5
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>61</b>

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### 15 - 24 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	323
2	Firearm - Assault.....	130
3	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	115
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	72
5	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	40
6	Drowning - Unintentional.....	21
7	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	15
8	Cut/ Pierce - Assault.....	10
9	Poisoning - Undetermined.....	10
10	Fall - Unintentional.....	8
All other injury causes (Residual).....		51
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>795</b>

### 25 - 44 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Number
1	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	473
2	MVT - Unintentional.....	374
3	Firearm - Assault.....	188
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	188
5	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	122
6	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	83
7	Cut/ Pierce - Assault.....	27
8	Poisoning - Undetermined.....	26
9	Fall - Unintentional.....	20
10	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	19
All other injury causes (Residual).....		179
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>1,699</b>

### 45 - 64 YEARS

Rank	Cause	Number
1	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	403
2	MVT - Unintentional.....	377
3	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	260
4	Fall - Unintentional.....	108
5	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	95
6	Firearm - Assault.....	69
7	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	58
8	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	34
9	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	33
10	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	32
All other injury causes (Residual).....		267
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>1,736</b>

### AGES 65 & OVER

Rank	Cause	Number
1	Fall - Unintentional.....	698
2	MVT - Unintentional.....	214
3	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	202
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	151
5	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	129
6	Adverse effects - Other.....	55
7	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	43
8	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	40
9	Firearm - Assault.....	17
10	Drowning - Unintentional.....	16
All other injury causes (Residual).....		119
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>1,684</b>

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## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Race\* North Carolina Residents, 2009

Note: Hispanic and Non-Hispanic deaths are listed separately

### WHITE

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	1,005
2	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	924
3	Fall - Unintentional.....	741
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	600
5	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	207
6	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	205
7	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	192
8	Firearm - Assault.....	165
9	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	149
10	Drowning - Unintentional.....	83
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	557
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>4,828</b>

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Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	289
2	Firearm - Assault.....	220
3	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	91
4	Fall - Unintentional.....	89
5	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	64
6	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	51
7	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	42
8	Cut/ Pierce - Assault.....	34
9	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	31
10	Adverse effects - Other.....	27
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	155
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>1,093</b>

### AMERICAN INDIAN

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	33
2	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	14
3	Firearm - Assault.....	12
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	7
5	Cut/ Pierce - Assault.....	4
6	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted.....	4
7	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	3
8	Adverse Effects - Other.....	2
9	Drowning - Unintentional.....	2
10	Fall - Unintentional.....	2
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	11
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>94</b>

Racial 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 groupings. Population size varies considerably from one racial group to another. The number of deaths for each group is to a large extent a reflection of that population size. In the case of ties, causes are listed alphabetically in terms of ranking.

## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Gender\* North Carolina Residents, 2009

### FEMALE

Rank	Cause	Number
1	Fall - Unintentional.....	432
2	MVT - Unintentional.....	413
3	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	385
4	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	130
5	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	101
6	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	91
7	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	91
8	Firearm - Assault.....	76
9	Adverse effects - Other.....	56
10	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	42
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	206
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>2,023</b>

### MALE

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	929
2	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	651
3	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	572
4	Fall - Unintentional.....	405
5	Firearm - Assault.....	329
6	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	198
7	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	122
8	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	114
9	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	111
10	Drowning - Unintentional.....	83
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	528
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>4,042</b>

## Leading Causes of Injury Death By Hispanicity\* North Carolina Residents, 2009

### HISPANIC

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	94
2	Firearm - Assault.....	39
3	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	15
4	Drowning - Unintentional.....	12
5	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	12
6	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	11
7	Fall - Unintentional.....	10
8	Pedestrian, Other - Unintentional.....	7
9	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	5
10	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	5
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	32
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>242</b>

### NON - HISPANIC

Rank	Cause	Number
1	MVT - Unintentional.....	1,246
2	Poisoning - Unintentional.....	1,023
3	Fall - Unintentional.....	826
4	Firearm - Self-inflicted.....	658
5	Firearm - Assault.....	364
6	Unspecified - Unintentional.....	248
7	Suffocation - Self-inflicted.....	222
8	Poisoning - Self-inflicted.....	201
9	Suffocation - Unintentional.....	197
10	Fire/ Burn - Unintentional.....	103
	All other injury causes (Residual).....	737
<b>Total Injury Deaths - All Causes.....</b>		<b>5,825</b>

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