## 2022 Mcdowell County Debt-Based Driver's License Suspension Fact Sheet

In January 2022 Mcdowell County, NC had 11645 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $42.2 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $57.8 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 1130 people had 2 or more traffic cases in FTC status.

| County | Total Number of Traffic Violation Cases with a FTC | Total Number of People with a Traffic Violation FTC |
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| Mcdowell County | 5279 | 3067 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were White people (80\%). With White men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | F | M |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Native American | 0 | 2 |
| Unknown | 2 | 2 |
| Asian | 1 | 6 |
| Other | 4 | 33 |
| Hispanic | 19 | 186 |
| Black | 78 | 282 |
| White | 803 | 1648 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $42 \%$ ). ${ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $57 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.


| Years to Compliance | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal $\%$ <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 2095 | 300 | 98 | 32 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 57.0 |
| $1-2$ | 550 | 71 | 15 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14.5 |
| $2-3$ | 289 | 38 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7.5 |
| $3-4$ | 216 | 37 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5.8 |
| $4-5$ | 125 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3.3 |
| $5-10$ | 261 | 45 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7.2 |
| $10-15$ | 80 | 24 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2.4 |
| $15-20$ | 51 | 21 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.6 |
| $20+$ | 26 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.7 |

- For all traffic cases in Mcdowell County in FTC status in January 2022, the average length in FTC was 10 years.
$\left.\begin{array}{lrrrrrrrr}\hline \text { Years in FTC } & \text { White } & \text { Black } & \text { Hispanic } & \text { Other } & \text { Asian } & \begin{array}{r}\text { Native } \\ \text { Ameri- } \\ \text { can }\end{array} & \begin{array}{r}\text { Unknown }\end{array} \\ \hline 0-1 & 424 & 49 & 19 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9.4 \\ \text { of Cases }\end{array}\right]$


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ This estimate includes cases with guilty to lesser (GL), guilty (GU), prayer for judgement (PJ), responsible to lesser (RL), and responsible (RS) verdicts.
    ${ }^{2}$ While the age was not provided in the original data, it was calculated from the defendant's birthday and disposition date.

