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

In January 2022 Mecklenburg County, NC had 73696 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $85.2 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $14.8 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 377 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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| Mecklenburg County | 7839 | 7414 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were Black people (56\%). With Black men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | F | M |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Native American | 3 | 10 |
| Unknown | 1 | 23 |
| Asian | 6 | 25 |
| Other | 22 | 80 |
| White | 377 | 1265 |
| Hispanic | 128 | 1354 |
| Black | 1081 | 3039 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $46 \%) .{ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $52.5 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.


| Years to Compliance | Black | White | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal $\%$ <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 18757 | 9052 | 2508 | 611 | 213 | 60 | 35 | 52.5 |
| $1-2$ | 3839 | 1404 | 356 | 69 | 20 | 6 | 7 | 9.6 |
| $2-3$ | 2623 | 820 | 313 | 33 | 14 | 8 | 5 | 6.4 |
| $3-4$ | 1666 | 509 | 144 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3.9 |
| $4-5$ | 957 | 311 | 97 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2.3 |
| $5-10$ | 3503 | 1034 | 449 | 25 | 21 | 12 | 9 | 8.5 |
| $10-15$ | 2124 | 529 | 479 | 24 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 5.3 |
| $15-20$ | 2894 | 766 | 351 | 43 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6.8 |
| $20+$ | 2004 | 648 | 42 | 43 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4.6 |

- For all traffic cases in Mecklenburg County in FTC status in January 2022, the average length in FTC was 11 years.

| Years in FTC | Black | White | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal \% <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 111 | 73 | 28 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2.9 |
| $1-5$ | 2483 | 452 | 428 | 54 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 43.8 |
| $5-10$ | 263 | 171 | 102 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 15 | 7.1 |
| $10-15$ | 257 | 163 | 357 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 10.0 |
| $15-20$ | 338 | 235 | 522 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 14.2 |
| $20-30$ | 906 | 585 | 108 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 20.9 |
| $30+$ | 58 | 26 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.1 |


[^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.

