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

In January 2022 New Hanover County, NC had 29881 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $76.9 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $23.1 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 628 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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| New Hanover County | 5392 | 4639 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were White people (55\%). With White men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | F | M | U |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Asian | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Unknown | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| Native American | 8 | 14 | 0 |
| Other | 6 | 49 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 21 | 363 | 0 |
| Black | 420 | 1205 | 0 |
| White | 639 | 1894 | 0 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $44 \%$ ). ${ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $60.7 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.

| Years to Compliance | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | Asian | UnknownTotal \% <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 7478 | 3333 | 437 | 173 | 36 | 29 | 13 | 60.7 |
| $1-2$ | 1369 | 902 | 74 | 18 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 12.5 |
| $2-3$ | 673 | 467 | 25 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 6.2 |
| $3-4$ | 447 | 338 | 15 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4.3 |
| $4-5$ | 335 | 258 | 17 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3.3 |
| $5-10$ | 808 | 645 | 36 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 7.9 |
| $10-15$ | 220 | 321 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 |
| $15-20$ | 102 | 172 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.5 |
| $20+$ | 47 | 82 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.7 |

- For all traffic cases in New Hanover County in FTC status in January 2022, the average length in FTC was 14 years.

| Years in FTC | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal \% <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 198 | 168 | 35 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7.6 |
| $1-5$ | 580 | 441 | 96 | 17 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 21.2 |
| $5-10$ | 340 | 168 | 28 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 10.3 |
| $10-15$ | 340 | 153 | 123 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 11.6 |
| $15-20$ | 375 | 252 | 114 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 13.8 |
| $20-30$ | 1066 | 667 | 49 | 17 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 33.4 |
| $30+$ | 65 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2.0 |


[^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.

