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

In January 2022 Avery County, NC had 2594 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $45.5 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $54.5 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 129 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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| Avery County | 841 | 654 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were White people ( $86 \%$ ). With White men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | M | F |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Native American | 1 | 0 |
| Unknown | 1 | 0 |
| Other | 8 | 0 |
| Black | 23 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 55 | 2 |
| White | 408 | 156 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $36 \%$ ). ${ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $52.3 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.


| Years to Compliance | White | Hispanic | Black | Other | Native <br> American | Total \% of <br> Cases |
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| $0-1$ | 514 | 16 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 52.3 |
| $1-2$ | 159 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 16.5 |
| $2-3$ | 86 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8.4 |
| $3-4$ | 56 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5.7 |
| $4-5$ | 40 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.9 |
| $5-10$ | 82 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8.5 |
| $10-15$ | 35 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3.5 |
| $15-20$ | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.8 |
| $20+$ | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.4 |

- For all traffic cases in Avery County in FTC status in January 2022, the average length in FTC was 13 years.

| Years in FTC | White | Hispanic | Unknown | Black | Other | Native <br> American | Total \% of <br> Cases |
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| $0-1$ | 17 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2.7 |
| $1-5$ | 141 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 18.0 |
| $5-10$ | 160 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 20.4 |
| $10-15$ | 140 | 40 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 22.0 |
| $15-20$ | 148 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 18.8 |
| $20-30$ | 126 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 16.1 |
| $30+$ | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 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 $(\mathrm{RS})$ verdicts.
    ${ }^{2}$ While the age was not provided in the original data, it was calculated from the defendant's birthday and disposition date.

