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

In January 2022 Caldwell County, NC had 23077 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $53.1 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $46.9 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 1450 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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| Caldwell County | 7177 | 4540 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were White people (76\%). With White men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | F | M | U |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Native American | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Asian | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| Unknown | 2 | 8 | 2 |
| Other | 8 | 19 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 29 | 219 | 0 |
| Black | 175 | 598 | 0 |
| White | 1067 | 2396 | 0 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $43 \%$ ). ${ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $69.2 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.

| Years to Compliance | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Unknown | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | Total $\%$ <br> of Cases |
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| $0-1$ | 6195 | 1248 | 244 | 63 | 19 | 13 | 2 | 69.2 |
| $1-2$ | 1042 | 175 | 19 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 11.1 |
| $2-3$ | 494 | 103 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5.5 |
| $3-4$ | 344 | 58 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.7 |
| $4-5$ | 208 | 44 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2.3 |
| $5-10$ | 509 | 104 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5.6 |
| $10-15$ | 140 | 50 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.7 |
| $15-20$ | 35 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 |
| $20+$ | 31 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.4 |

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

| Years in FTC | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Unknown <br> Native <br> Ameri- <br> can <br> $0-1$ | Total \% <br> of Cases |  |
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| $1-5$ | 386 | 80 | 22 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6.9 |
| $5-10$ | 1441 | 308 | 62 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 25.4 |
| $10-15$ | 1450 | 276 | 66 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 25.2 |
| $15-20$ | 627 | 122 | 60 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 11.5 |
| $20-30$ | 599 | 143 | 63 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 11.4 |
| $30+$ | 908 | 229 | 41 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 16.6 |


[^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.

