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

In January 2022 Rutherford County, NC had 23020 recorded cases with a guilty or responsible verdict and a court mandated fee. ${ }^{1}$ Of these, $37.1 \%$ of cases were in compliance and $62.9 \%$ of cases were in failure to comply (FTC) status. The majority of FTC cases were traffic violations.


## Defendant Statistics and Demographics

- 1187 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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| Rutherford County | 5733 | 3757 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were White people (67\%). With White men having the most traffic violation cases in FTC status.

| Defendant Race | M | F | U |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Asian | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Unknown | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Native American | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Other | 31 | 7 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 104 | 14 | 0 |
| Black | 825 | 262 | 1 |
| White | 1702 | 796 | 0 |

- The majority of defendants with a traffic cases in FTC status were $21-30$ years old ( $41 \%$ ). ${ }^{2}$


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## Length in FTC Status

- $66.2 \%$ of cases were in compliance after 1 year of receiving FTC status.


| Years to Compliance | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian <br> Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal $\%$ <br> of Cases |  |  |
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| $0-1$ | 3055 | 1409 | 85 | 30 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 66.2 |
| $1-2$ | 678 | 334 | 20 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 14.9 |
| $2-3$ | 277 | 146 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6.2 |
| $3-4$ | 157 | 83 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.5 |
| $4-5$ | 114 | 55 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.4 |
| $5-10$ | 181 | 116 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4.4 |
| $10-15$ | 47 | 31 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.2 |
| $15-20$ | 17 | 29 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.7 |
| $20+$ | 7 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.3 |

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

| Years in FTC | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Asian | Native <br> Ameri- <br> can | UnknownTotal \% <br> of Cases |  |
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| $0-1$ | 307 | 121 | 13 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7.9 |
| $1-5$ | 1140 | 385 | 29 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 27.4 |
| $5-10$ | 986 | 377 | 29 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 24.4 |
| $10-15$ | 434 | 168 | 44 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11.3 |
| $15-20$ | 408 | 195 | 29 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11.0 |
| $20-30$ | 541 | 360 | 24 | 18 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 16.4 |
| $30+$ | 54 | 33 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.5 |


[^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.

