



**BC CORONERS SERVICE  
FIRST NATIONS DEATHS IN BC  
1999 to 2003 - CORONERS CASES**

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Age Category					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
12 years and under	17	8	16	4	15
13 - 19 years	20	6	7	23	10
20 - 29 years	26	24	31	24	26
30 - 39 years	30	21	32	26	27
40 - 49 years	39	35	34	28	29
50 - 59 years	23	15	17	21	25
60 - 69 years	12	10	18	11	18
70 - 79 years	7	8	10	2	5
80 years and over	3	1	1	3	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>157</b>

Gender					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Female	72	43	55	49	62
Male	105	85	111	93	95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>157</b>

Classification					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
ACCIDENT	95	61	74	71	76
HOMICIDE	2	8	12	8	7
NATURAL	38	31	50	33	41
SUICIDE	30	21	21	28	24
UNDETERMINED	12	7	9	2	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>157</b>

Month					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
January	6	15	18	10	13
February	17	8	8	9	11
March	16	6	14	6	15
April	11	5	10	18	12
May	16	14	16	16	20
June	20	8	15	13	16
July	20	9	16	16	13

August	16	12	12	7	14
September	16	15	17	8	13
October	12	10	15	12	10
November	12	13	14	13	10
December	15	13	11	14	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>157</b>

Region					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Fraser	34	2	7	7	9
Interior	29	13	29	25	27
Island	24	40	56	39	44
Metro	32	7	9	10	17
Northern	58	66	65	61	60
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Town / City					
Town / City	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
100 Mile House	1	0	1	0	0
Abbotsford	1	0	1	0	0
Agassiz	1	0	2	0	1
Ahousaht	0	0	2	0	0
Ahousaht Reserve	0	0	0	0	1
Alert Bay	1	0	0	2	2
Alexis Creek	0	2	4	4	4
Alkali Lake	0	1	0	0	0
Anahim Lake	2	1	2	1	3
Armstrong	0	0	0	1	0
Atlin	0	0	0	0	2
Barriere	0	0	0	1	0
Bella Bella	2	4	0	2	3
Bella Coola	2	3	4	1	5
Big Bar	1	0	0	0	0
Bonapart Reserve	0	0	0	0	1
Boston Bar	1	0	0	0	1
Bridge River	0	0	1	0	0
Buick	0	1	0	0	0
Burnaby	4	0	1	0	1
Burns Lake	2	3	2	1	1
Cache Creek	1	0	0	0	0
Campbell River	2	2	2	5	0
Castlegar	1	0	0	0	0
Chase	4	0	2	0	0

Chehalis	0	0	0	1	0	Lower Nicola	0	0	3	0	0
Chetwynd	2	1	1	0	1	Lower Post	0	0	0	0	1
Chilliwack	10	1	2	2	3	Lytton	1	0	4	1	1
Clinton	1	0	0	0	1	Masset	0	0	4	0	1
Coal Harbour	1	0	0	0	0	Mayne Island	0	0	1	0	0
Comox	0	0	0	1	0	Merritt	2	3	3	5	10
Coquitlam	1	1	0	0	0	Mission	1	0	0	0	2
Cortes Island	0	0	0	1	0	Moberly Lake	1	0	1	0	0
Courtenay	0	1	0	0	0	Moricetown	0	0	1	0	0
Cranbrook	0	0	0	0	2	Mount Currie	1	0	0	0	0
Creston	0	1	0	0	0	Nanaimo	4	5	5	7	1
Cumberland	0	0	1	0	0	Nanoose Bay	0	0	0	0	1
Dawson Creek	0	4	0	4	1	Nelson	0	0	1	0	0
Dease Lake	1	0	0	0	0	New Aiyansh	3	3	1	0	2
Deroche	1	0	0	0	0	New Hazelton	1	0	6	3	0
Dog Creek	1	0	0	0	0	New Westminster	1	0	0	0	0
Douglas Lake	0	1	0	0	0	Nitnaht	0	1	0	1	0
Duncan	3	5	6	3	2	North Vancouver	2	0	2	0	2
Endako	0	0	0	0	2	Oliver	2	0	0	0	0
Enderby	1	1	1	2	2	Parksville	0	0	1	0	0
Fort Nelson	1	1	1	1	0	Pavillion	0	0	0	0	1
Fort St James	2	2	3	5	3	Pemberton	0	0	0	0	1
Fort St John	1	6	4	3	3	Penticton	1	0	2	1	1
Fort Ware (Kwadacha)	3	1	1	1	0	Pitt Meadows	2	0	0	0	0
Fraser Lake	1	1	1	1	0	Port Alberni	3	4	2	3	5
Galiano Island	0	0	0	1	0	Port Coquitlam	2	0	0	0	0
Gibsons	0	0	0	1	0	Port Edward	0	0	0	1	1
Gilford Island	0	0	0	1	0	Port Hardy	1	3	5	2	3
Golden	0	1	0	0	0	Port Renfrew	1	0	1	1	1
Grand Forks	0	0	1	0	0	Port Simpson	1	2	3	1	4
Greenville	0	1	0	0	0	Powell River	0	1	0	1	1
Hagensborg	0	0	1	0	0	Prince George	7	9	12	13	6
Hanceville	0	0	1	0	0	Prince Rupert	1	1	6	7	4
Harrison Mills	0	0	0	2	0	Quatsino	1	0	0	0	0
Hartley Bay	0	0	1	0	1	Queen Charlotte Islands	0	0	0	0	1
Hazelton	4	1	0	0	3	Quesnel	1	1	2	0	1
Hope	2	0	0	0	1	Red Rock	0	0	0	0	1
Houston	2	0	0	1	1	Riske Creek	0	0	0	1	0
Hudsons Hope	0	0	1	0	0	Salmon Arm	2	0	1	2	0
Iskut	1	2	0	1	0	Savona	1	0	0	1	0
Kamloops	3	2	2	4	2	Sayward	0	0	1	0	0
Kelowna	2	1	2	0	2	Sechelt	0	1	0	0	0
Keremeos	0	0	0	3	1	Shalalth	0	0	1	0	0
Kincolith	2	1	0	0	0	Sidney	0	2	1	2	0
Kingcome Inlet	0	0	1	0	1	Skidegate	1	0	1	0	0
Kispiox	0	0	1	0	0	Skookumchuck	0	0	0	0	1
Kitamaat Village	2	0	0	0	0	Smithers	1	0	2	1	0
Kitimat	0	0	0	1	2	Sooke	0	1	0	0	2
Kitkatla	0	0	0	0	1	Spences Bridge	0	2	0	0	0
Kitwanga	0	1	0	0	1	Spuzzum	0	0	0	2	0
Kyuquot	0	1	0	0	1	Squamish	2	0	0	0	1
Lac La Hache	0	0	1	0	0	Surrey	5	0	1	0	0
Ladysmith	1	0	2	0	1	Tachie	0	0	0	0	1
Lake Cowichan	0	0	1	0	0	Takla Landing	0	0	0	3	1
Lax Kw'alaams	0	1	0	0	1	Tappen	0	0	1	0	0
Lejac	0	0	1	0	0	Tatla Lake	1	1	0	0	0
Lillooet	1	1	1	1	1	Telegraph Cove	0	1	0	0	0
Little Fort	0	0	1	0	0	Telegraph Creek	1	1	0	0	2

Telkwa	0	0	0	0	1
Terrace	6	5	1	2	1
Tofino	0	1	1	0	1
Ucluelet	0	1	1	2	0
Valemount	1	0	0	0	0
Vancouver	24	7	7	8	11
Vanderhoof	1	2	0	0	0
Vernon	2	1	0	3	0
Victoria	3	3	10	2	11
Waglisla	0	1	2	0	0
Watson Lake	0	0	0	0	1
West Vancouver	2	0	0	1	0
Westbank	0	0	0	0	1
Williams Lake	3	7	6	5	3
Willow River	1	0	0	0	0
Wonowon	1	1	0	0	0
Yale	2	0	0	0	1
Zeballos	1	0	0	1	1
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### MVA Deaths - Position of Decedent

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
DRIVER	7	8	7	10	5
PASSENGER	17	7	5	11	11
PEDESTRIAN	6	2	6	3	8
MOTORCYCLE / MOPED	1	0	0	0	1
PEDAL CYCLIST	1	0	0	0	0
TRAIN	0	2	0	0	0
OTHER	6	0	4	1	2
ATV / DIRT BIKE	0	0	0	2	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>

### Suicide Deaths - Means

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
ALCOHOL / DRUG / OTHER POIS	3	1	4	1	3
CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING	1	0	1	0	1
DROWNING	0	1	0	1	0
FALL	2	0	0	1	0
FIREARMS	7	1	9	8	5
HANGING	17	18	7	15	15
STABBING OR INCISED INJURY	0	0	0	2	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>

### Accidental Deaths - Type

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT	38	19	22	27	27
ALCOHOL OR DRUG POISONING	23	15	21	18	20
DROWNING	11	1	6	9	8
CARBON MONOXIDE OR OTHER	2	2	8	5	3
BURNS	1	2	0	0	1
EXPOSURE - COLD	2	2	2	2	4
EXPOSURE - HEAT	0	1	0	0	0
FIREARMS	1	0	0	0	1
FALL	9	6	7	5	5
CHOKING / ASPIRATION / AIRWA	1	4	1	3	3
RAILWAY / SKYTRAIN	0	1	1	0	0
AIR	0	0	1	0	0
OTHER ACCIDENT	7	8	5	2	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>76</b>

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