



BC CORONERS SERVICE
BC Homicide* Statistics - 1997 to 2004

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Age Category								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
12 years and under	2	3	10	2	5	6	1	12
13 - 19 years	6	9	4	4	10	8	7	10
20 - 29 years	34	20	28	28	28	31	23	23
30 - 39 years	16	27	19	15	13	29	20	27
40 - 49 years	22	15	22	22	14	18	15	21
50 - 59 years	11	5	14	8	6	8	17	9
60 - 69 years	7	7	8	2	2	5	3	6
70 - 79 years	4	1	2	1	3	5	4	7
80 years and over	1	1	4	0	5	2	3	4
Age unknown	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	103	89	112	82	87	113	93	119

Gender								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Female	23	22	33	24	23	34	22	46
Male	80	66	78	58	64	79	71	73
Unknown	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	103	89	112	82	87	113	93	119

Method								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
FIREARMS	39	34	32	20	34	39	23	37
STABBING / INCISED INJURY	20	12	25	22	18	27	27	30
BEATING	14	13	13	13	14	17	19	14
BLUNT INJURIES	7	4	7	8	7	5	5	12
STRANGULATION / CHOKING / SMOOTHER	4	11	6	5	11	9	8	8
BURNS / HEAT / FIRE	0	2	4	1	1	0	0	1
DROWNING	0	0	1	2	0	3	1	1
FALL	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	2
MOTOR VEHICLE INCIDENT	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	3
CHILD MALTREATMENT SYNDROME	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	1
POISONING	2	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
OTHER	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	3
UNDETERMINED	15	16	13	9	3	8	5	7
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Region								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
FRASER	25	27	44	30	31	41	32	22
INTERIOR	19	11	15	14	10	19	13	27
ISLAND	10	11	16	15	13	14	19	19
METRO	35	28	24	15	19	29	20	34
NORTH	14	12	13	8	14	10	9	17
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Ethnicity								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
First Nations	7	6	14	13	8	9	11	18
Non-First Nations	96	83	98	69	79	104	82	101
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Town / City								
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100 Mile House	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Abbotsford	5	4	3	0	1	2	2	1
Agassiz	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	1
Aldergrove	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alert Bay	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alexis Creek	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Allison Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anahim Lake	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Armstrong	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Ashcroft	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Avola	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Barriere	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bella Coola	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Blind Bay	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bralorne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brentwood Bay	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Burnaby	2	2	10	2	4	9	3	1
Burns Lake	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Cache Creek	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Campbell River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Castlegar	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Cawston	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charlie Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chehalis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chetwynd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chilliwack	2	2	0	2	1	2	1	0
Clearwater	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cluculz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comox	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Coos Bay	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Coquitlam	2	5	1	2	2	5	0	3
Courtenay	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Cowichan Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranbrook	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Creston	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Crofton	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cumberland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dawson Creek	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Delta	1	1	3	0	3	1	0	1
Deroche	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
Duncan	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2
Edgewater	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elkford	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Elko	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Enderby	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Fairmont Hot Springs	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Falkland	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fanny Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forest Grove	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fort Nelson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fort St James	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	0
Fort St John	2	1	0	3	1	0	0	1
Fort Ware (Kwadacha)	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Fraser Lake	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Fruitvale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gillies Bay	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Good Hope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Forks	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Granisle	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harrison Mills	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Hazelton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hope	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Horsefly	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hosmer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Houston	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jordon River	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Kamloops	2	2	5	1	3	2	1	5
Kelowna	2	1	1	2	1	5	1	3
Keremeos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kimberley	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kitimat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Kitwanga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lac La Hache	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ladysmith	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lake Country	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Langdale	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Langley	0	0	1	4	0	1	4	2
Lillooet	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Mackenzie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maple Ridge	0	1	1	2	0	2	1	0
Masset	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mcleese Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Merritt	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2
Metchosin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mill Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mission	2	4	2	0	0	3	2	2
Morisetown	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Nanaimo	1	3	4	3	0	1	0	3
Nanoose Bay	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Nelson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Westminster	0	1	3	2	3	2	3	1
North Saanich	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Vancouver	1	2	2	1	1	0	0	1
Not Specified	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Nukko Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Oliver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Osoyoos	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Parksville	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Peachland	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pemberton	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Penticton	3	1	1	1	0	3	0	2
Pitt Meadows	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Port Alberni	0	0	1	2	2	2	0	0
Port Coquitlam	1	0	4	0	1	0	1	0
Port Hardy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Port Moody	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Port Renfrew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pouce Coupe	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Procter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protection Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Quadra Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qualicum Beach	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Quatsino	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Quesnel	0	3	0	0	2	1	1	2
Revelstoke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Richmond	5	1	4	4	2	4	1	4
Rock Creek	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Rossland	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Saanich	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salmon Arm	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Scotch Creek	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sechelt	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Shawnigan Lake	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sicamous	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sidney	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Sooke	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sparrwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spuzzum	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Squamish	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2
Summerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Summit Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrey	11	4	11	10	10	8	11	6
Tachie	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Terrace	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1
Tofino	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Trail	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tumbler Ridge	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Unspecified	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Van Ande	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Vancouver	26	22	15	14	17	26	19	28
Vanderhoof	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	0
Vavenby	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Vedder Crossing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vernon	2	1	4	2	0	0	0	5
Victoria	7	2	2	4	7	8	8	6
West Vancouver	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Westbank	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Westbridge	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Whistler	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
White Rock	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Williams Lake	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	2
Winfield	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Winlaw	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Wycliffe	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wynndel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ymir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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