

NDSP Presentation on Reported Data for 2024 NRS 178.750

NEVADA SENTENCING
COMMISSION MEETING

JULY 18, 2025

2024 NRS 178.750

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- Defendant Demographics
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1. The district attorney for each county shall prepare and submit a report, on a form approved by the Department of Sentencing Policy created by NRS 176.01323, to the Department of Sentencing Policy not later than February 1 of each year concerning each case filed during the previous calendar year that included a charge for murder or voluntary manslaughter. The district attorney shall exclude from the report any charge for manslaughter that resulted from a death in a crash involving a motor vehicle.

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2. The report required pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation:

- (a) The name, age, gender and race of the defendant;
- (b) The age, gender and race of any codefendant or other person charged or suspected of having participated in the homicide and in any alleged related offense;
- (c) The age, gender and race of the victim of the homicide and any alleged related offense;
- (d) The date of the homicide and of any alleged related offense;
- (e) The date of filing of the information or indictment;
- (f) The case number and court in which the case was prosecuted;
- (g) Whether or not the prosecutor filed a notice of intent to seek the death penalty and, if so, when the prosecutor filed the notice;
- (h) The final disposition of the case and whether or not the case was tried before a jury;
- (i) The race, ethnicity and gender of each member of the jury, if the case was tried by a jury; and
- (j) The identity of:
 - (1) Each prosecuting attorney who participated in the decision to file the initial charges against the defendant;
 - (2) Each prosecuting attorney who participated in the decision to offer or accept a plea, if applicable;
 - (3) Each prosecuting attorney who participated in the decision to seek the death penalty, if applicable; and
 - (4) Each person outside the office of the district attorney who was consulted in determining whether to seek the death penalty or to accept or reject a plea, if any.

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3. If all the information required pursuant to subsection 1 cannot be provided because the case is still in progress, an additional report must be filed with the Department of Sentencing Policy each time a subsequent report is filed until all the information, to the extent available, has been provided.

Question: Is this an update to an existing case that has been reported in a prior year?

This led us to consider what exactly would we report as a 2024 case?

Indictment Year	No	Yes	No Case Reported	Grand Total
N/A			4	4
2019	2	1		3
2020		3		3
2021		3		3
2022		2		2
2023		21		21
2024	135	6		141
2025	1			1
Grand Total	138	36	4	178

Total 2024 New Submissions : 144

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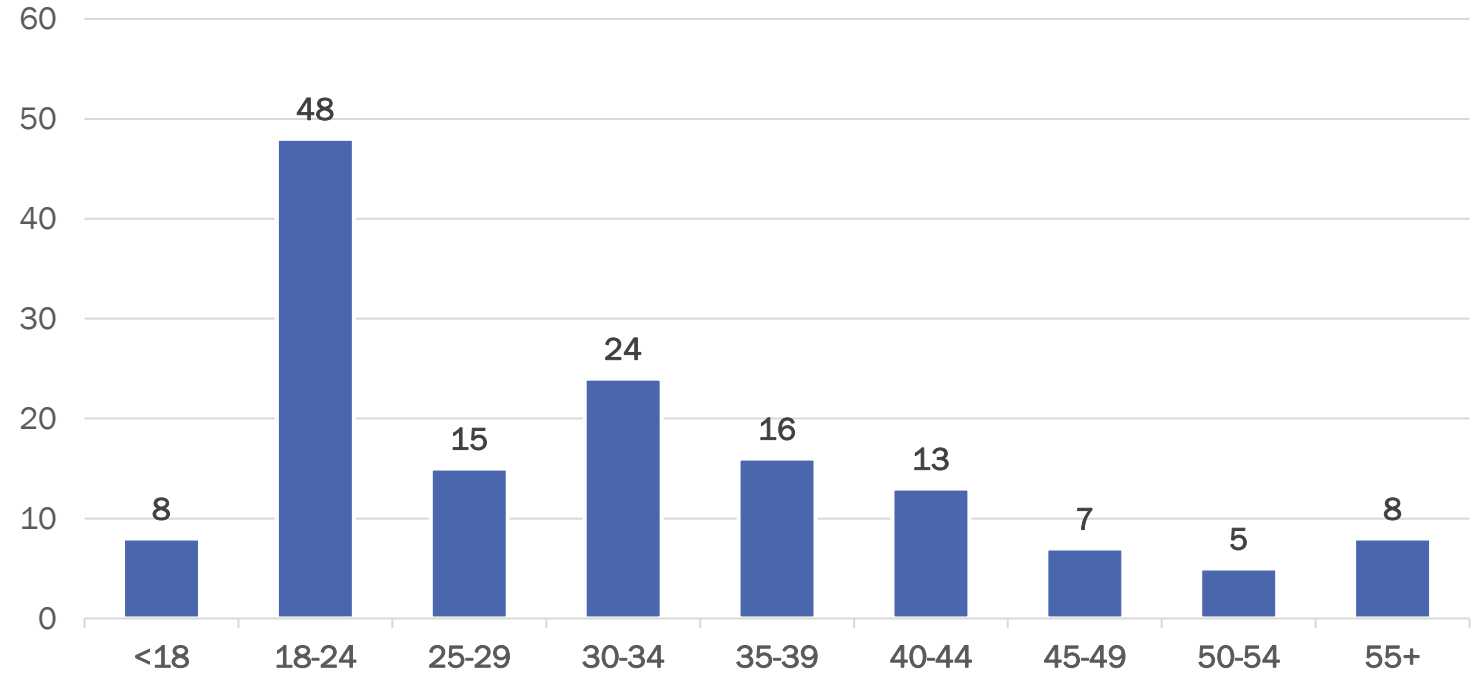
County Size & 2024 Submissions

Nevada County	*Population Size	2024 Submissions
Clark County	2,398,871	109
Washoe County	507,280	24
Lyon County	63,718	3
Carson City	58,148	0
Nye County	55,990	1
Elko County	54,363	2
Douglas County	49,564	1
Churchill County	26,033	0
Humboldt County	17,116	0
White Pine County	8,534	1
Pershing County	6,536	1
Lander County	5,785	0
Mineral County	4,475	1
Lincoln County	4,345	0
Storey County	4,112	0
Eureka County	1,877	0
Esmeralda County	720	1

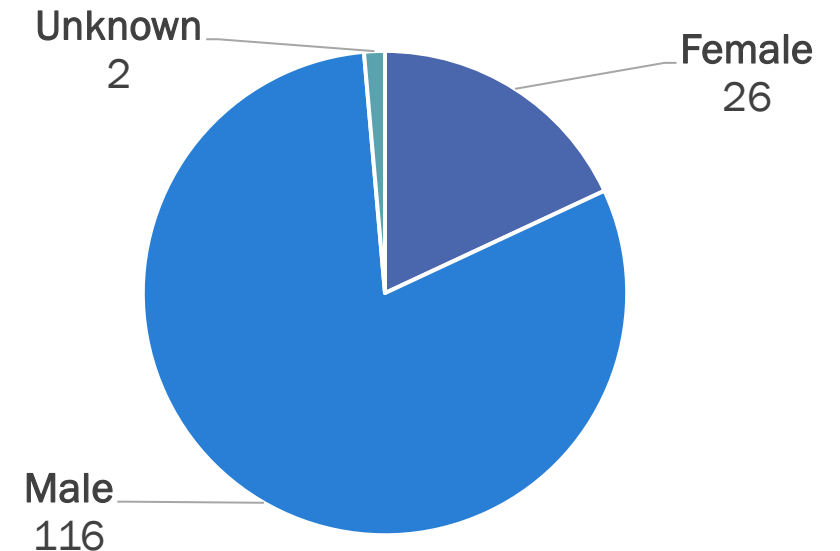
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Defendant Age Range & Gender

Defendant Age Range

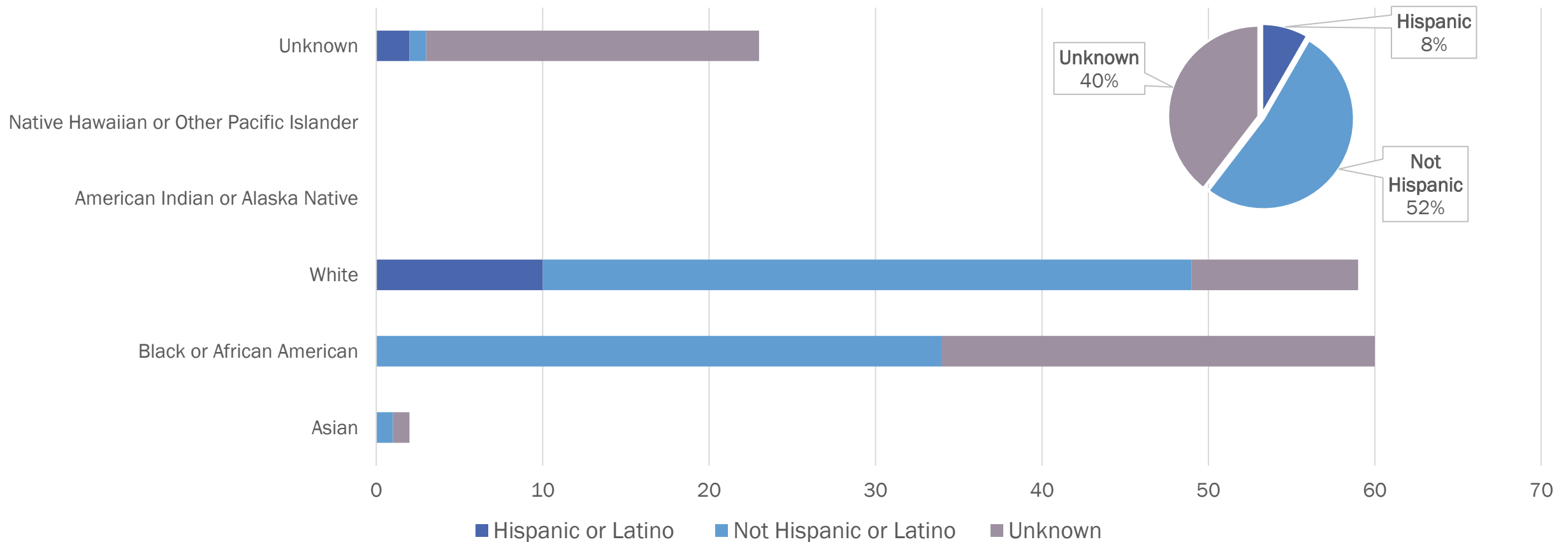


Defendant Gender



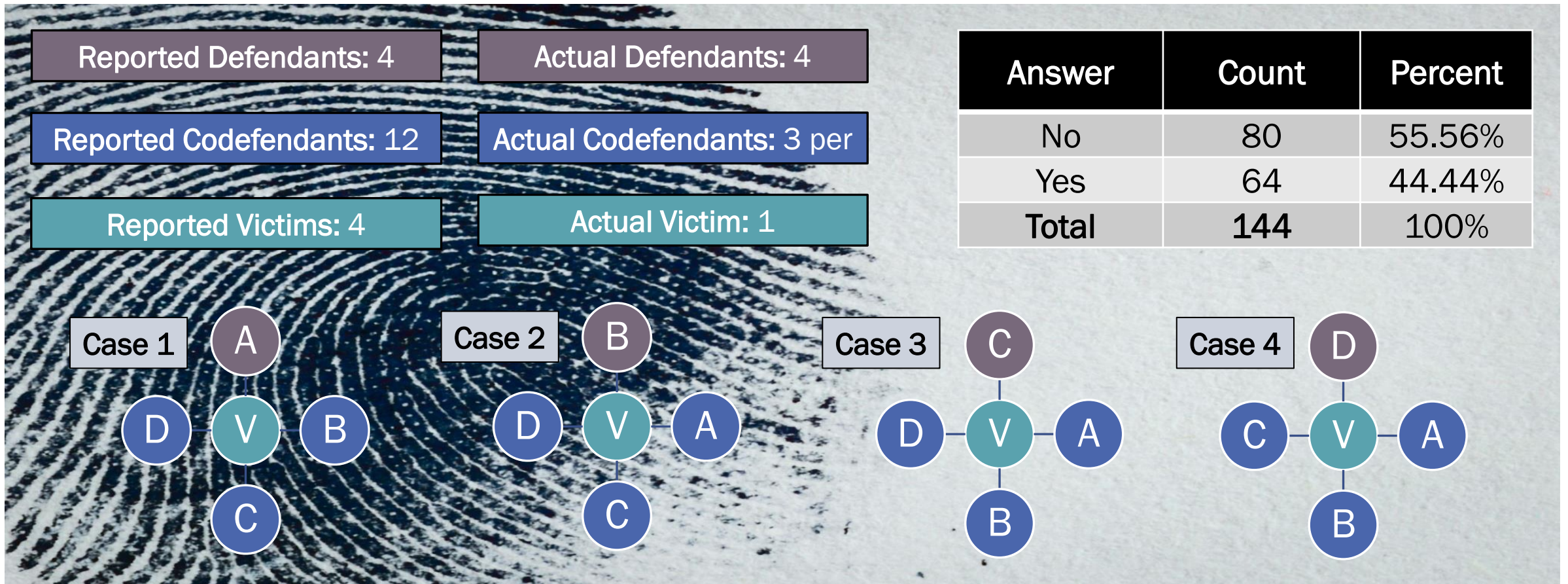
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Defendant Race & Ethnicity



Questions: Did the Defendant have Codefendants reported for their case?

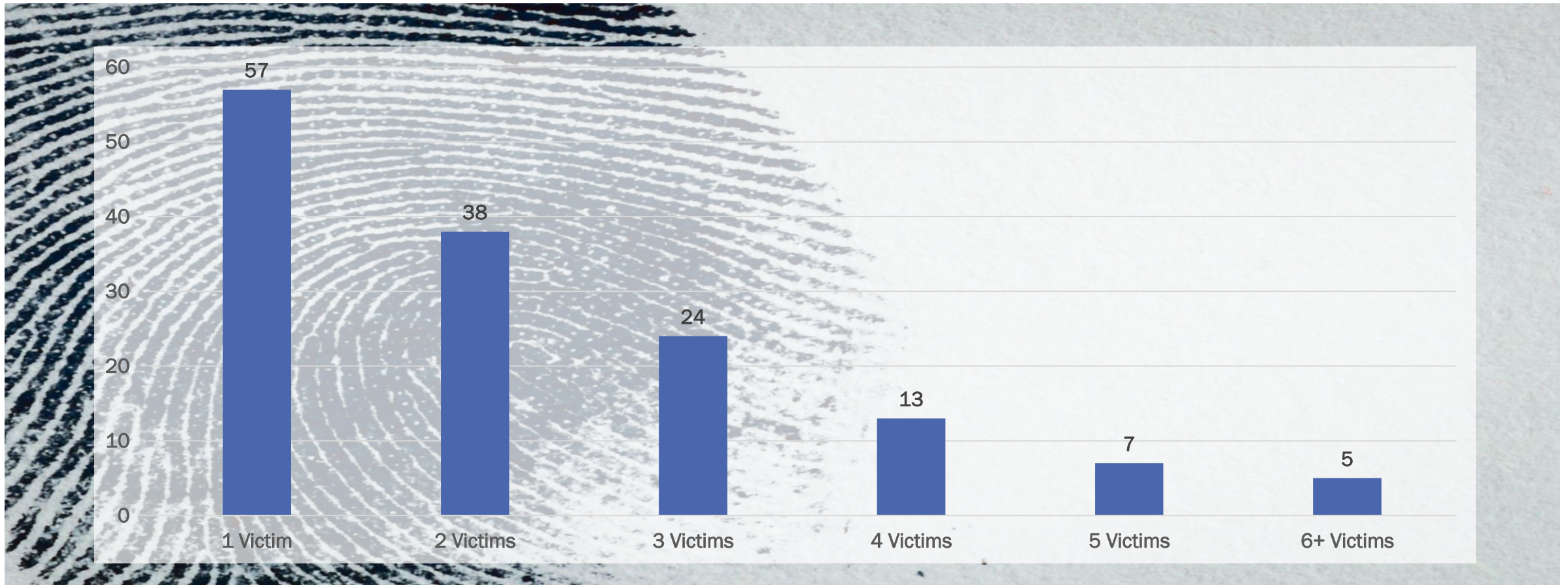
This can be difficult to determine because defendants and co-defendants stem from the same crime event but are each reported under separate cases. As a result, the same individual may be counted multiple times across different case records.



Question: How many victims?

Calculating this number can be challenging because co-defendants may share victims, and victim information is not always consistently available. As a result, it can be difficult to determine the number of unique victims.

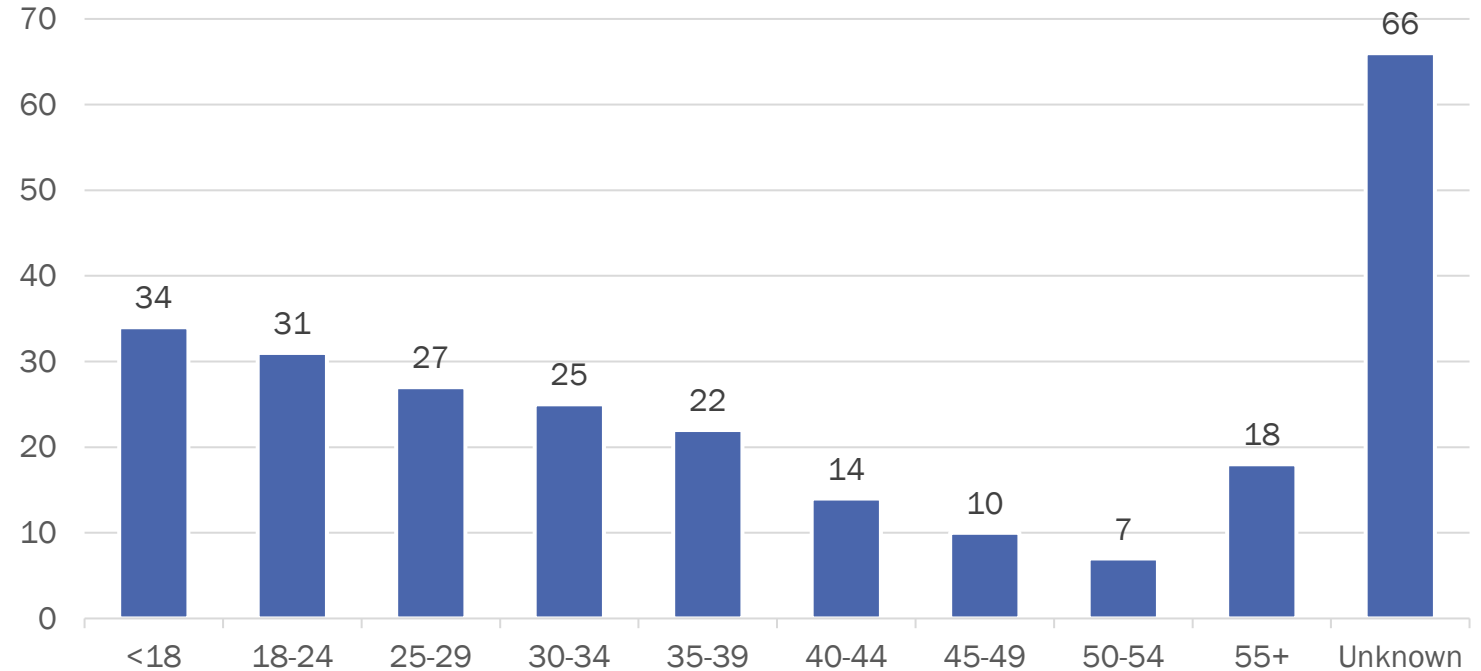
The chart below displays how many total victims were reported per case across the 144 submissions from 2024.



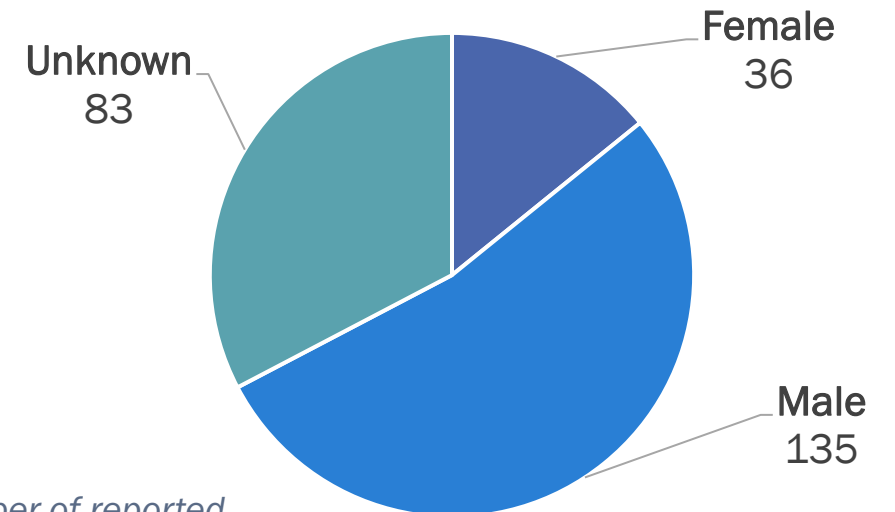
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Homicide Victim Age Range & Gender

Homicide Victim Age Range

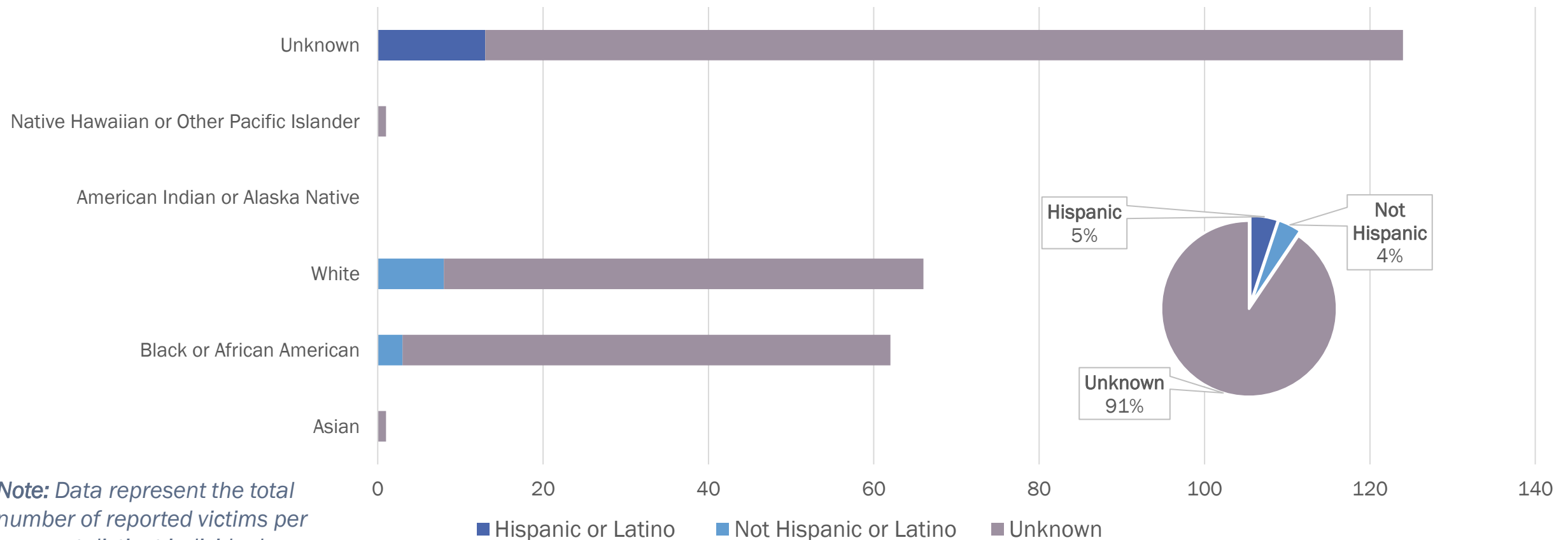


Homicide Victim Gender

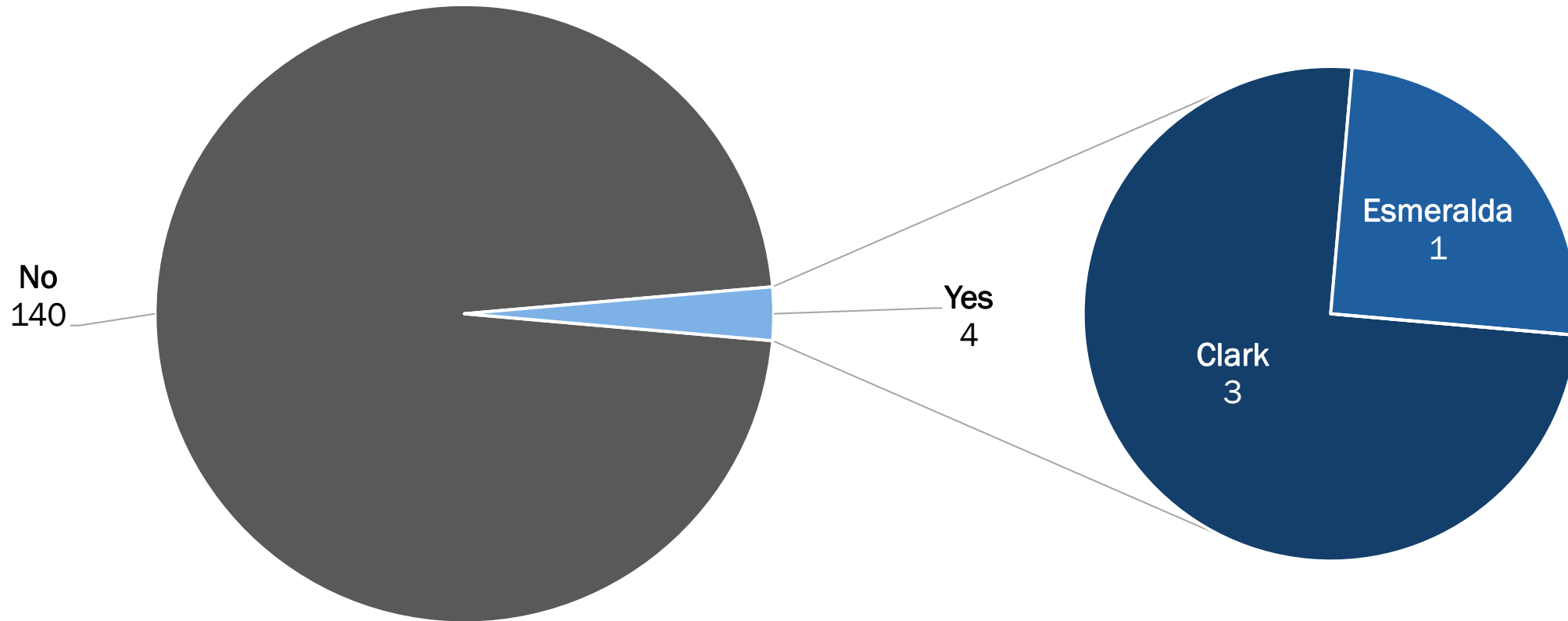


Note: Data represent the total number of reported victims per case not distinct individuals.

2024 NRS 178.750 2024 Homicide Victim Race & Ethnicity



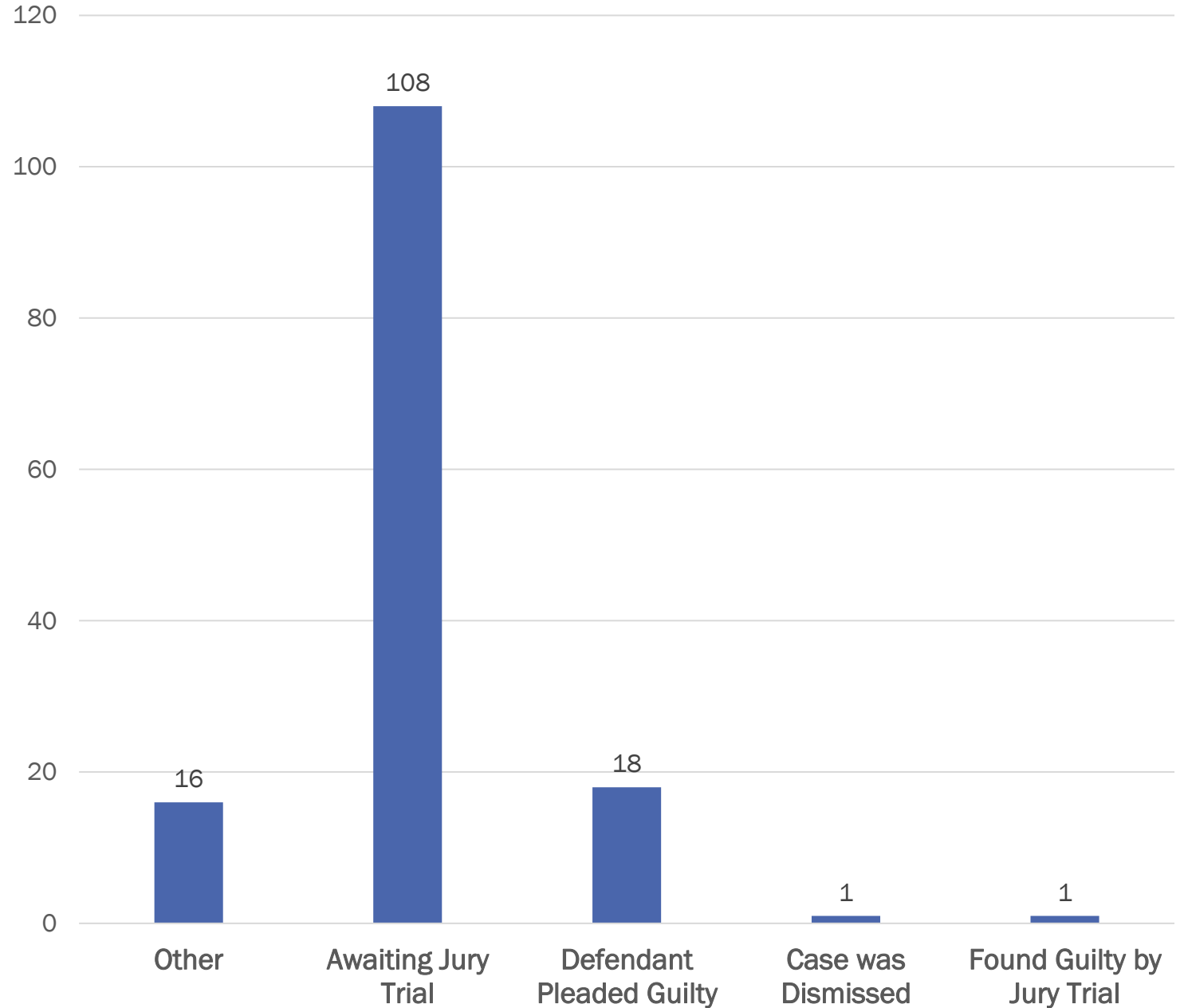
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Notices of Intent to Seek The Death Penalty (Filed in 2024)

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Final Case Disposition



Reporting Challenges

- **Date of case filing and indictment**
 - 1. *“...concerning each case filed during the previous calendar year that included a charge for murder or voluntary manslaughter”*
 - *“2. ...(e) The date of filing of the information or indictment;”*
- **Gathering race and ethnicity for all categories**
 - Missing information for victims and for jury members due to lack of availability to DA’s
- **Date of birth versus age for defendants & codefendants**
 - Victim age should specify age at date of homicide
- **Reporting victims and codefendants counting challenges**
- **Final Case Disposition reported for active cases verses closed cases**

Moving Forward

- **What are the current goals for this report?**
 - What would benefit stakeholders and the public?
- **Timelines (follow cases from beginning to end)**
- **Clarify language in NRS**

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