

Office of the
Chief Medical Examiner
City and County of San Francisco



Fiscal Year 2013-2014
Annual Report



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

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Dear Reader,

This is the Annual Report of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. This is the eleventh edition of the Office's Annual Report, and incorporates cases investigated during the Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014 (includes decedent data who have died on June 30, 2013 and up to July 1, 2014).

The OCME provides forensic science services to the public and agencies of the City and County of San Francisco. These services include, but are not limited to the investigation of sudden, unexpected, and violent deaths, monitoring the health and healthcare provided within the community, and human performance drug screening.

In Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014, approximately 4443 deaths or 78% of all deaths occurring in the City and County of San Francisco were reported to the OCME. Of those deaths, 1179 or approximately 21% of all deaths with the City and County were investigated by the OCME.

The Forensic Laboratory Division of the OCME serves as the testing center for postmortem specimens from cases investigated by the OCME, as well as human performance testing in living individuals (public intoxication, driving under the influence, and drug-facilitated-sexual assaults). The Forensic Laboratory Division analyzed approximately 1681 total cases in Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014.

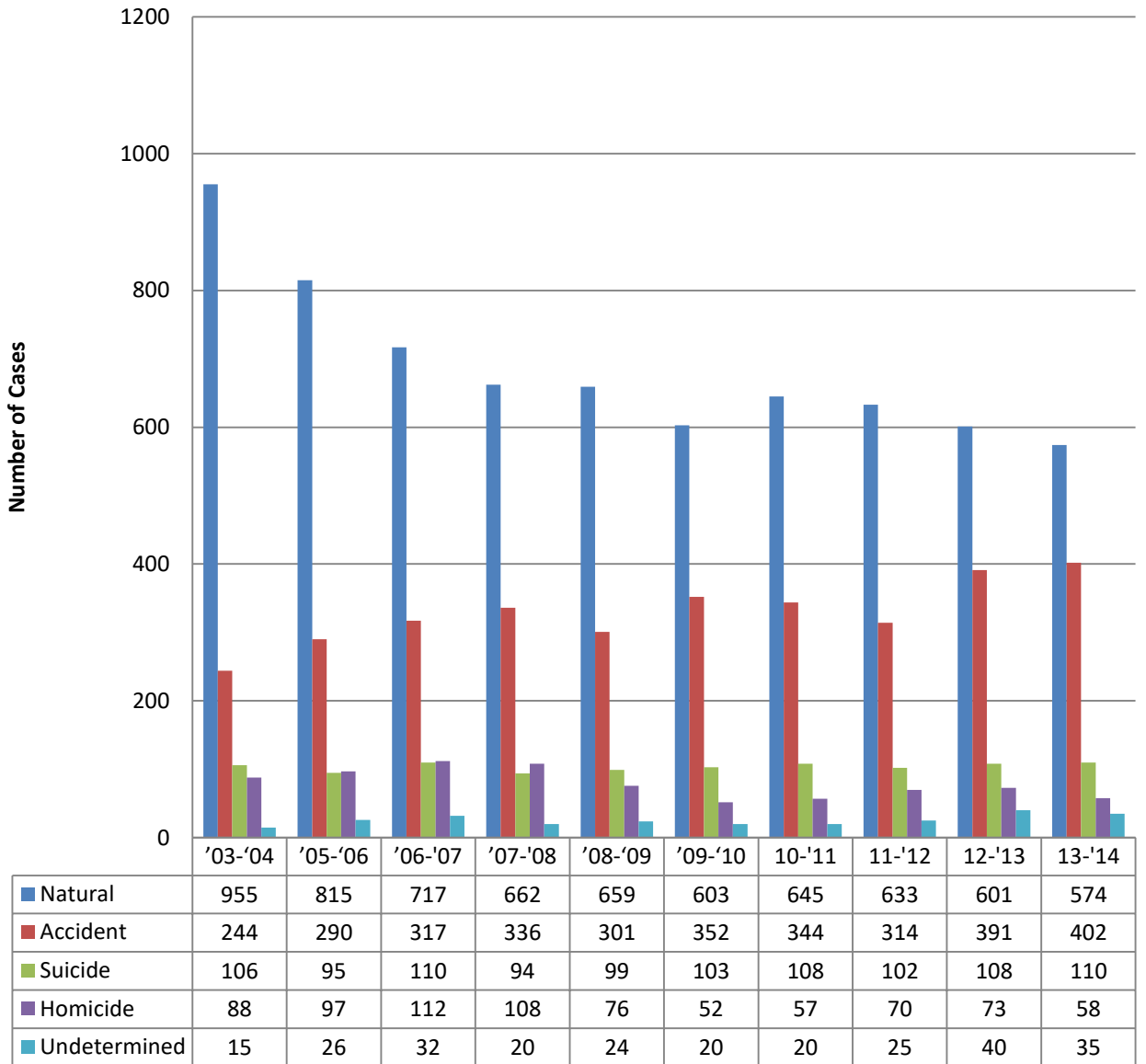
The aging physical plant was replaced and move-in was completed by the end of October 2017. This replacement facility has improved our day to day efficiency and increased the City's resiliency in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

Although our work is emotionally and physically challenging, we strive to offer compassionate assistance to families through times of great sorrow and stress, while completing investigations as neutral forensic scientists, producing results that are both accurate and complete.

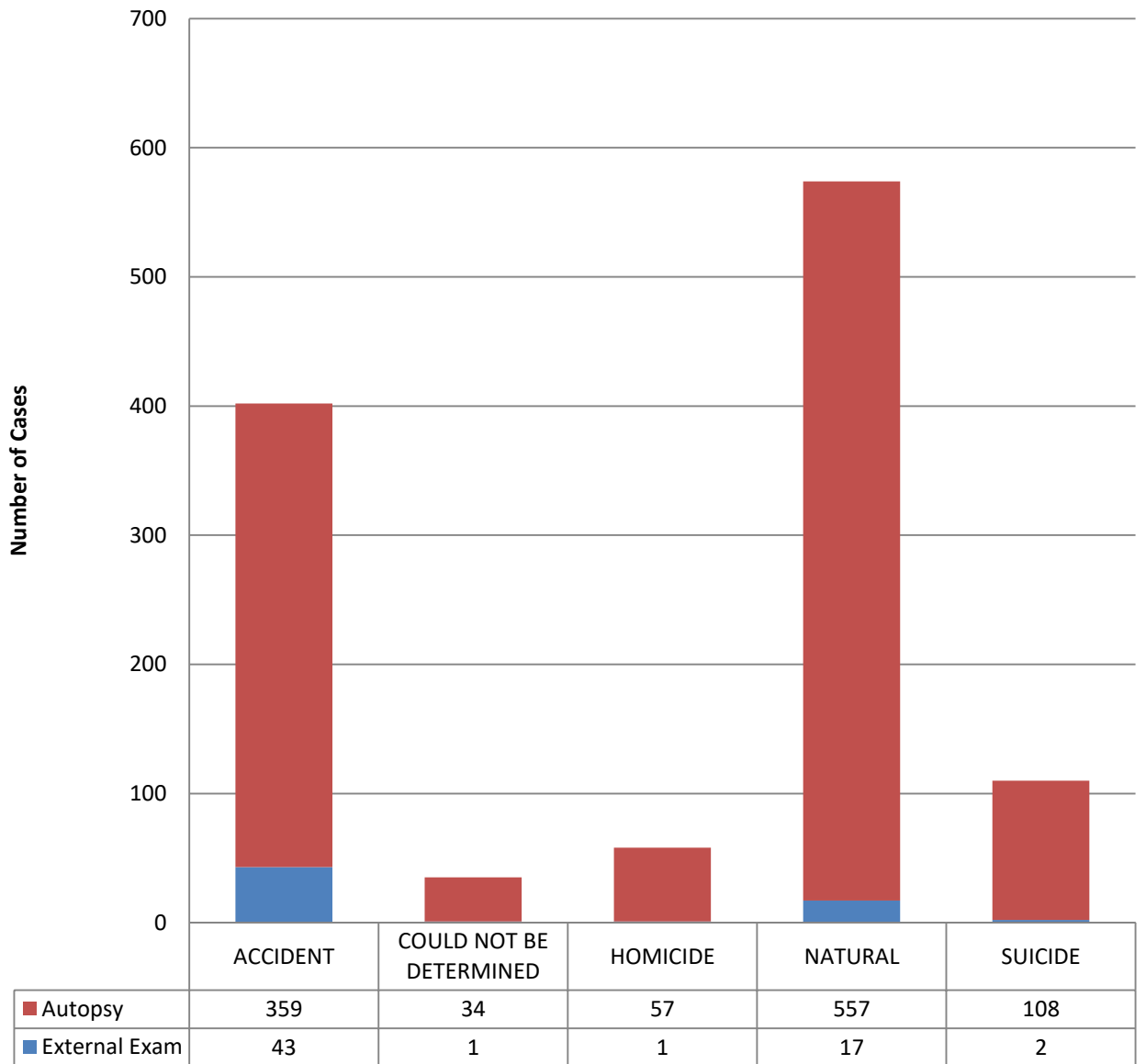
Respectfully,

The Staff of the City & County of San Francisco
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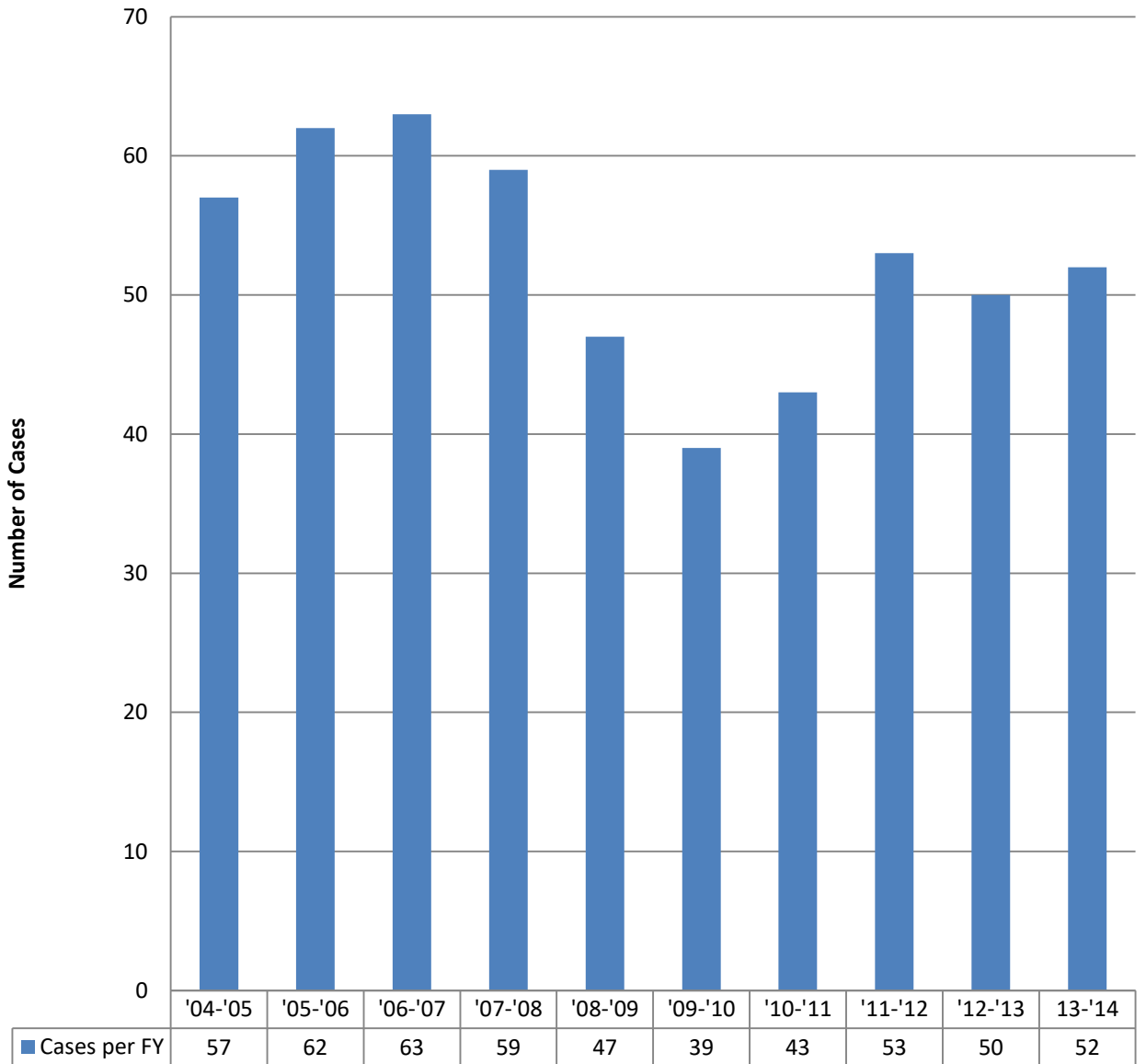
Manner of Death 10 Year Perspective



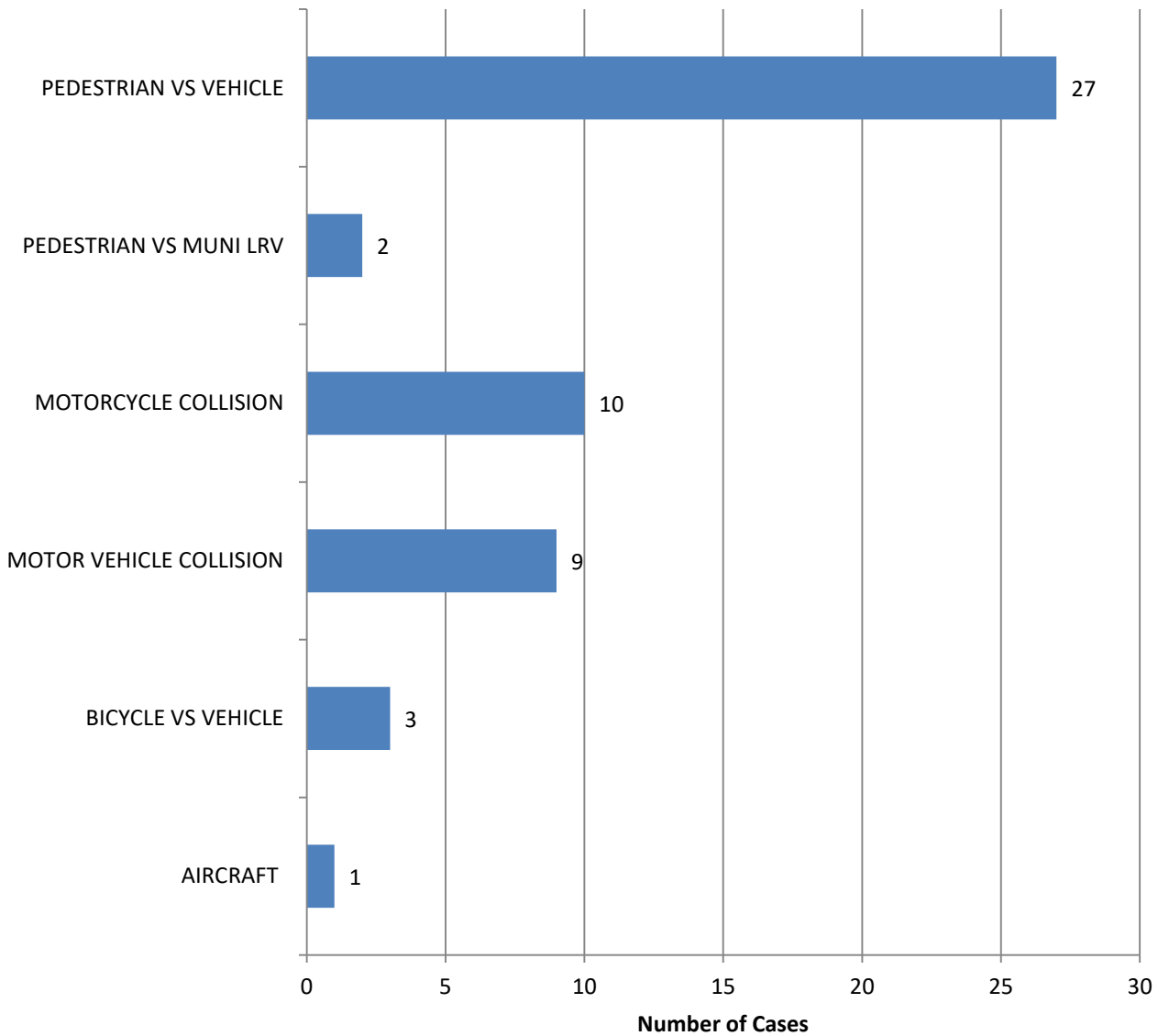
FY 2013-2014 Exam Type by Manner of Death



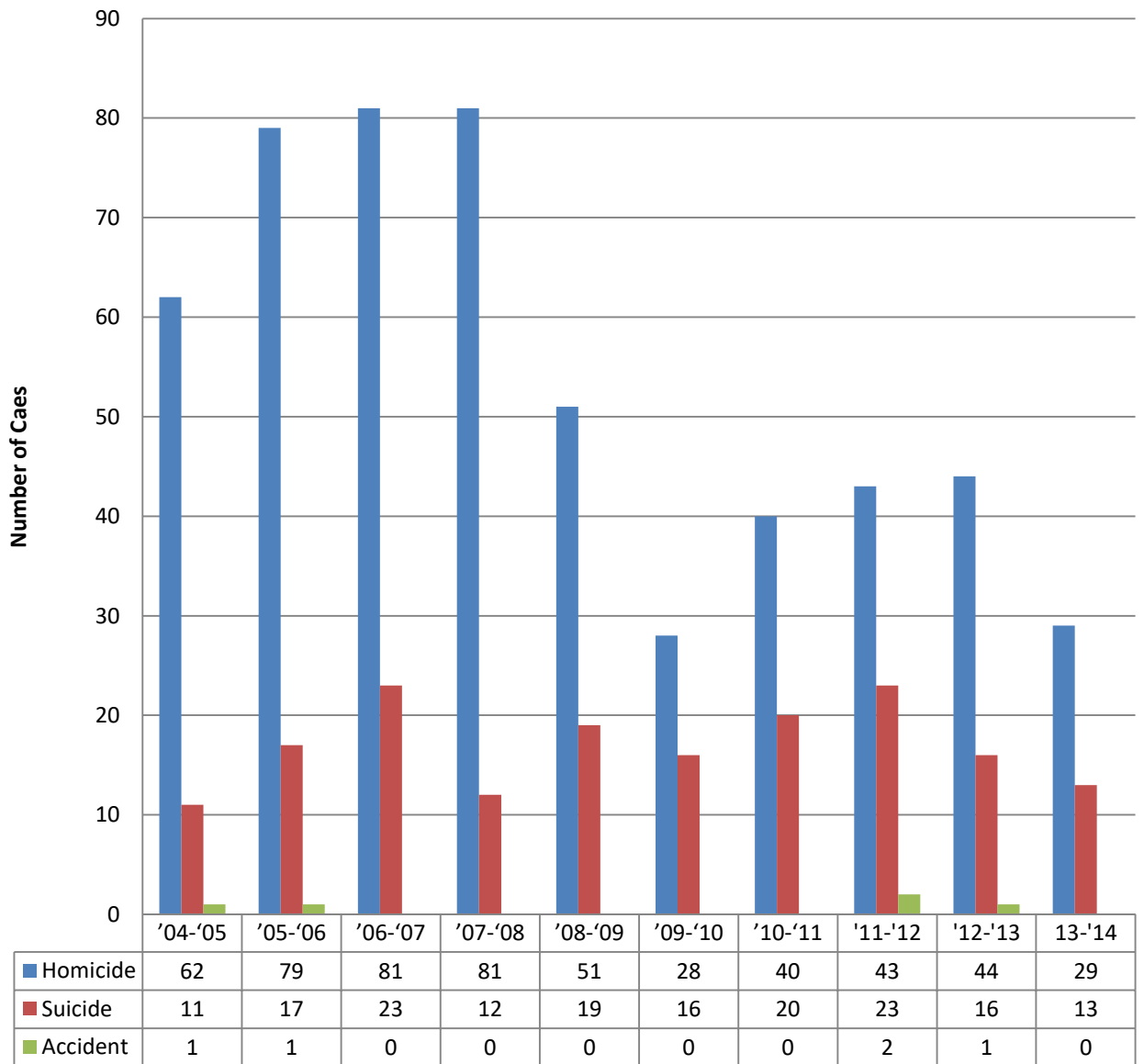
Vehicular Death 10 Year Perspective



FY 2013-2014 Vehicular Death by Method



Firearms Death 10 Year Perspective



FY 2013-2014 Firearm Death by Manner & Method

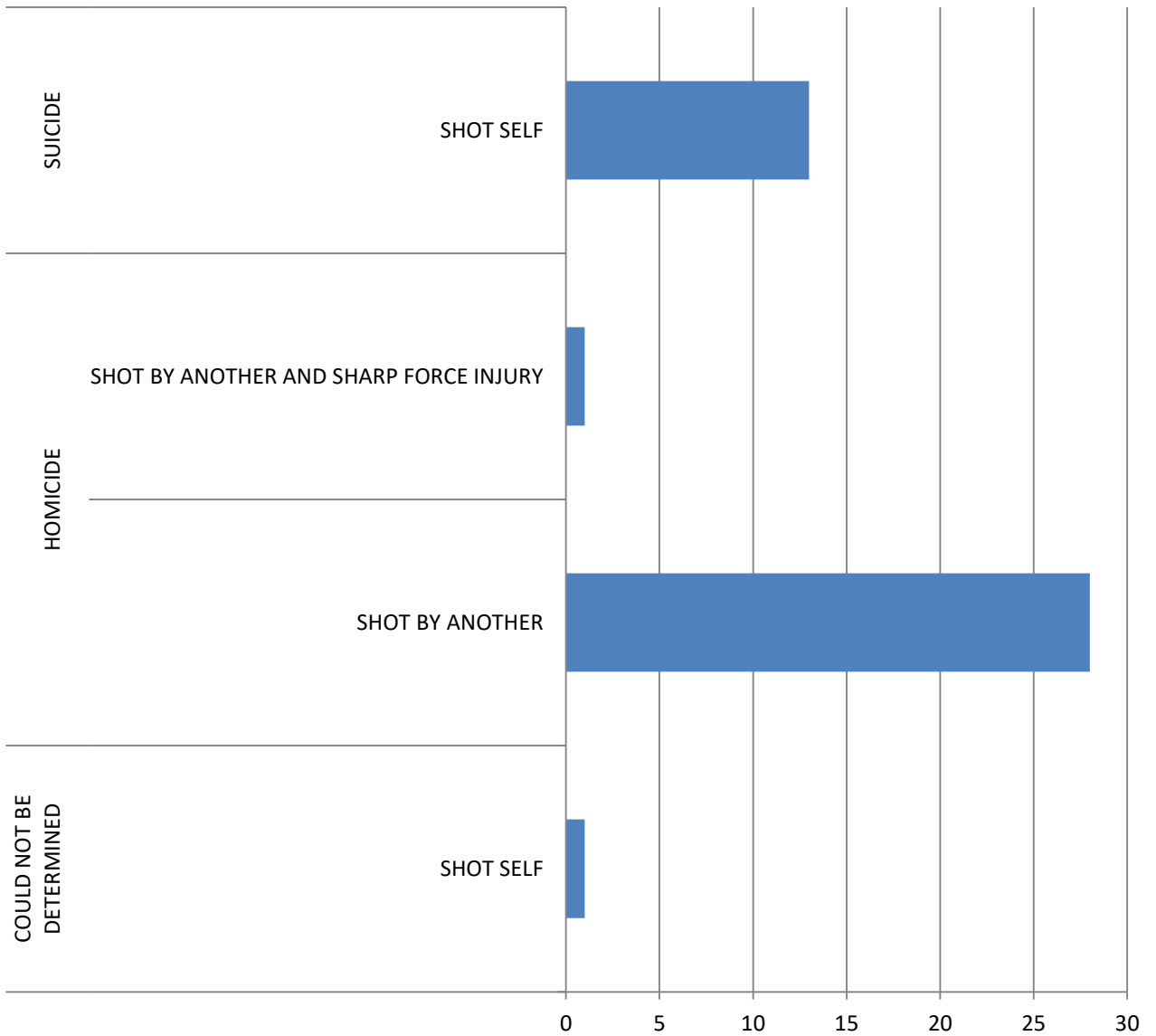
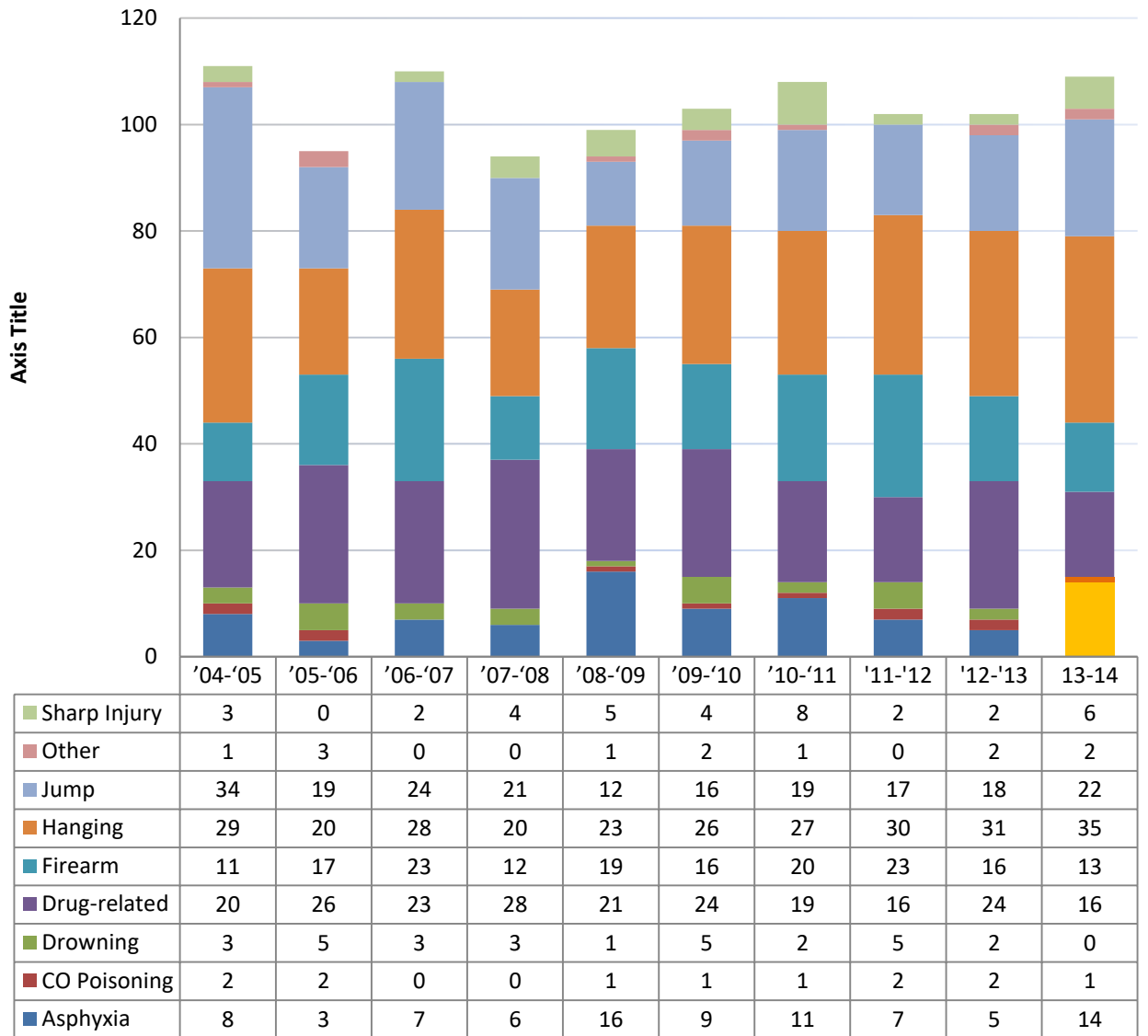
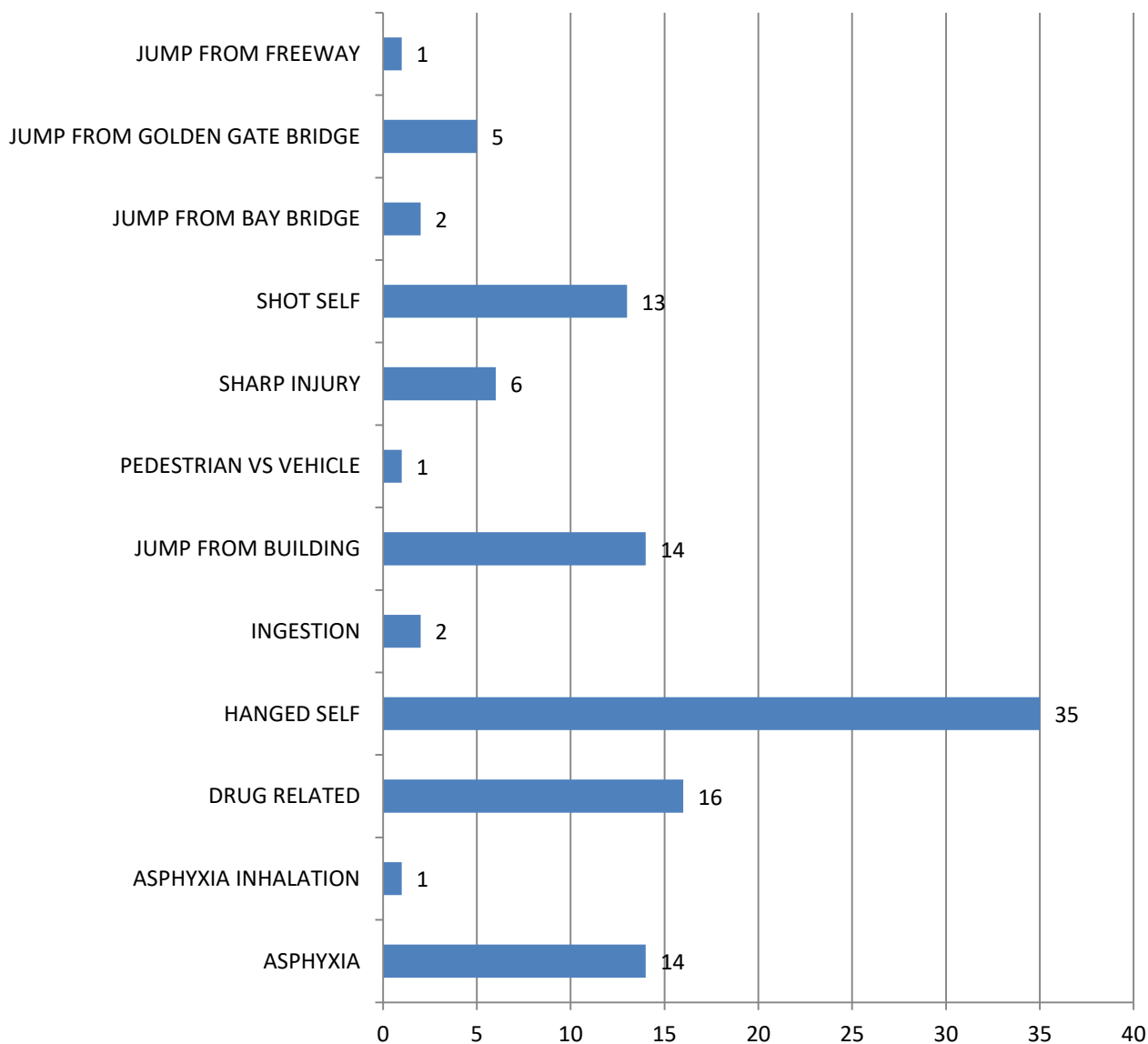


Figure : Suicides
Ten-Year Perspective



FY 2013-2014 Suicide by Method

FY 2013-2014 Suicide by Method



FY 13-14 Natural, Undetermined, and Accidental child deaths

