

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



Fiscal Year 2014-2015
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 2014-2015. This is the twelfth edition of the Office's Annual Report, and incorporates cases investigated during the Fiscal Year 2014 - 2015 (includes decedent data who have died on June 30, 2014 and up to July 1, 2015).

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 2014 – 2015, approximately 4049 deaths or 68% of all deaths occurring in the City and County of San Francisco were reported to the OCME. Of those deaths, 1160 or approximately 20% 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 1739 total cases in Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015.

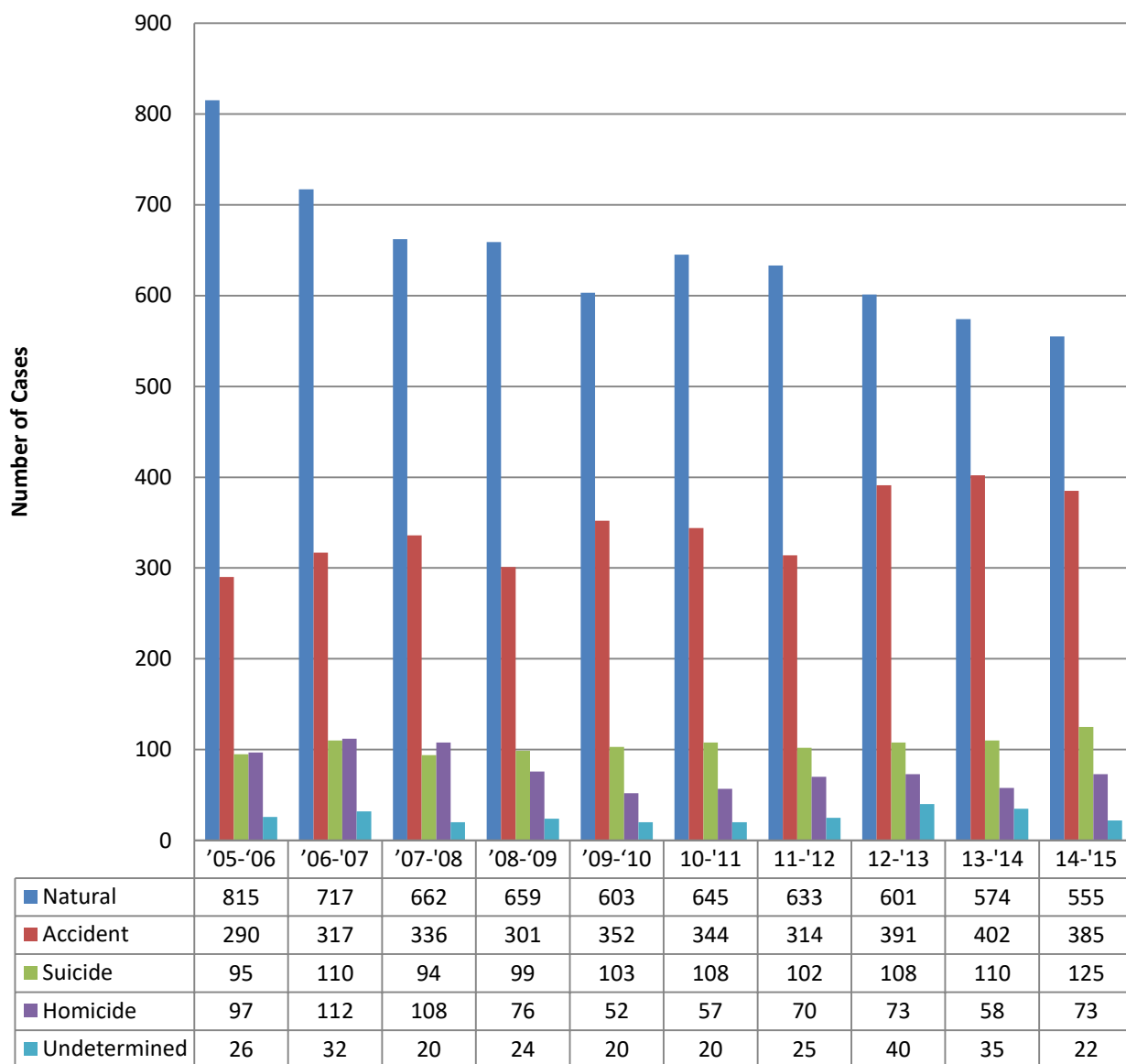
The aging physical plant was replaced and move-in was completed by the end of October 2017. This replacement facility has improved our day to day efficiency and increased the City's resiliency in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

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.

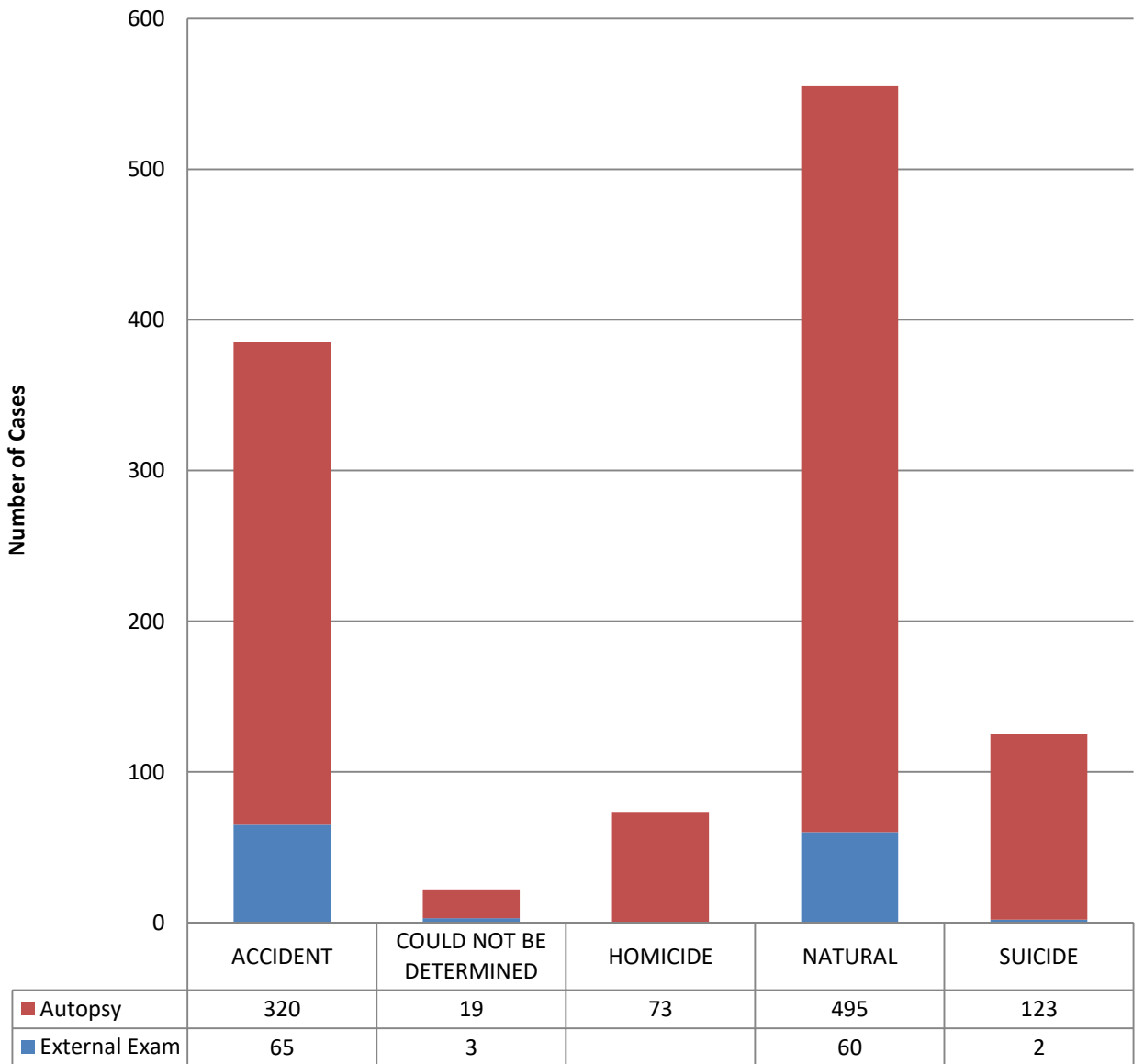
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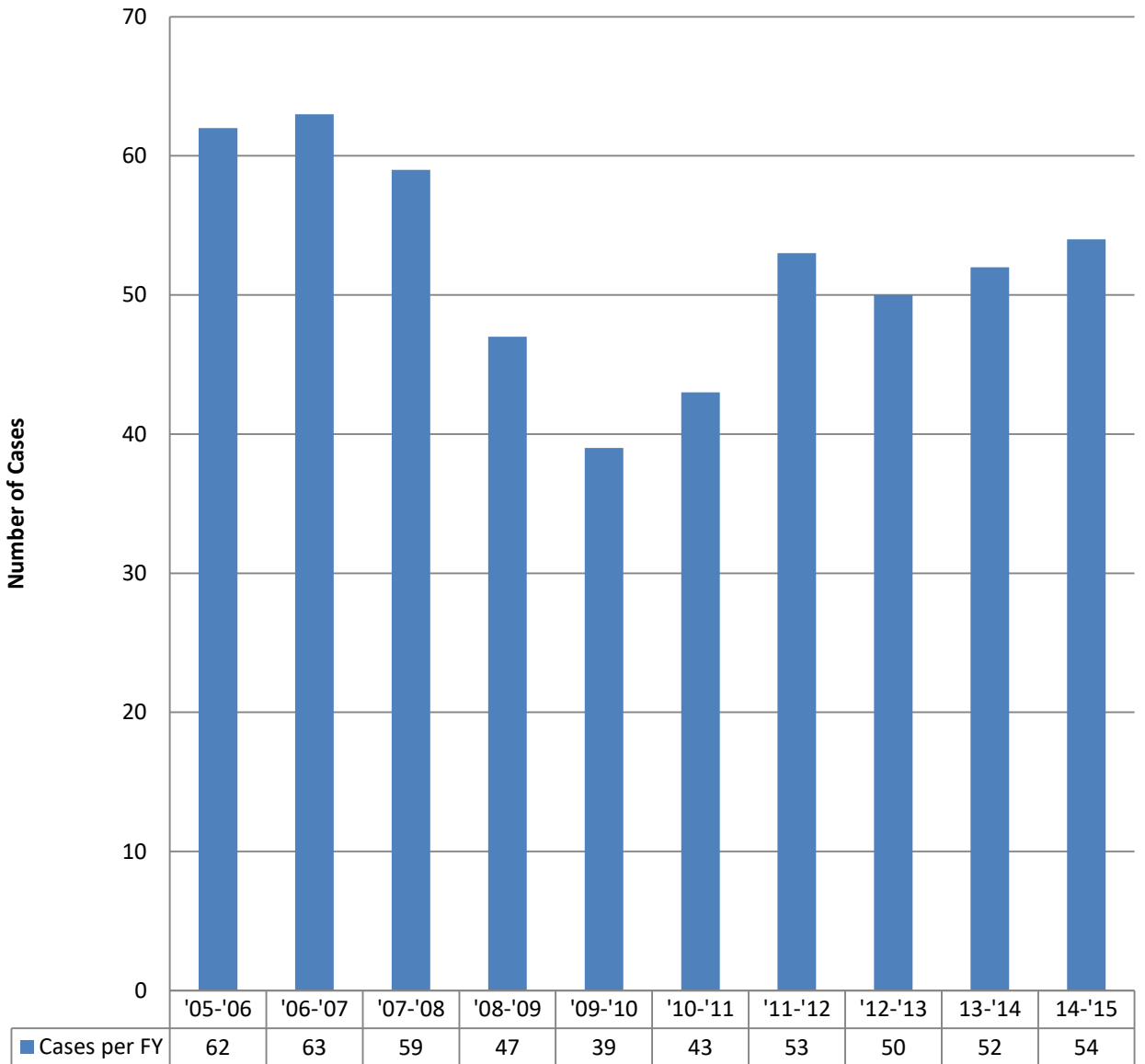
Manner of Death 10 Year Perspective



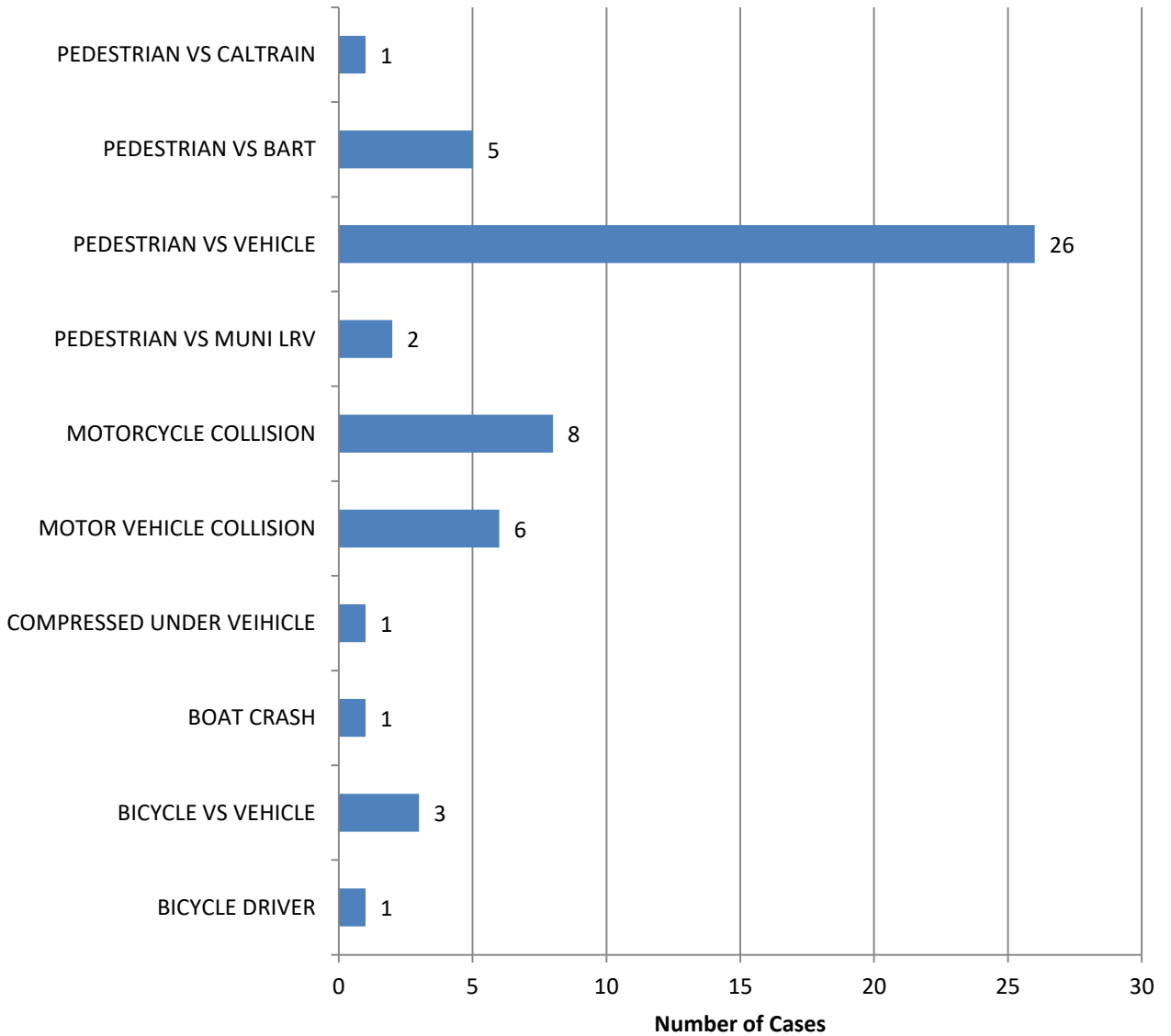
FY 2014-2015 Exam Type By Manner of Death



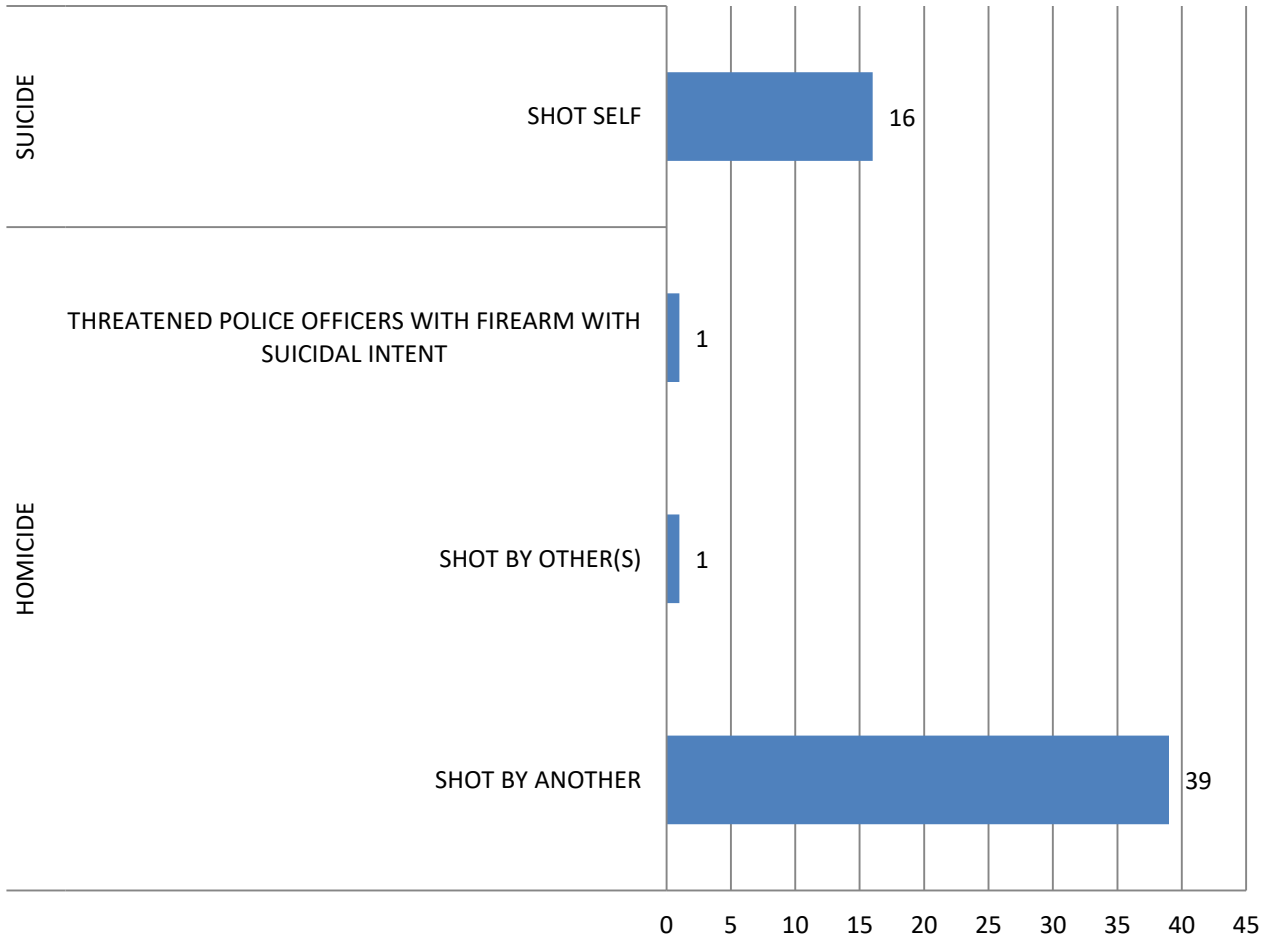
Vehicular Death 10 Year Perspective



FY 2014-2015 Vehicular Death by Method

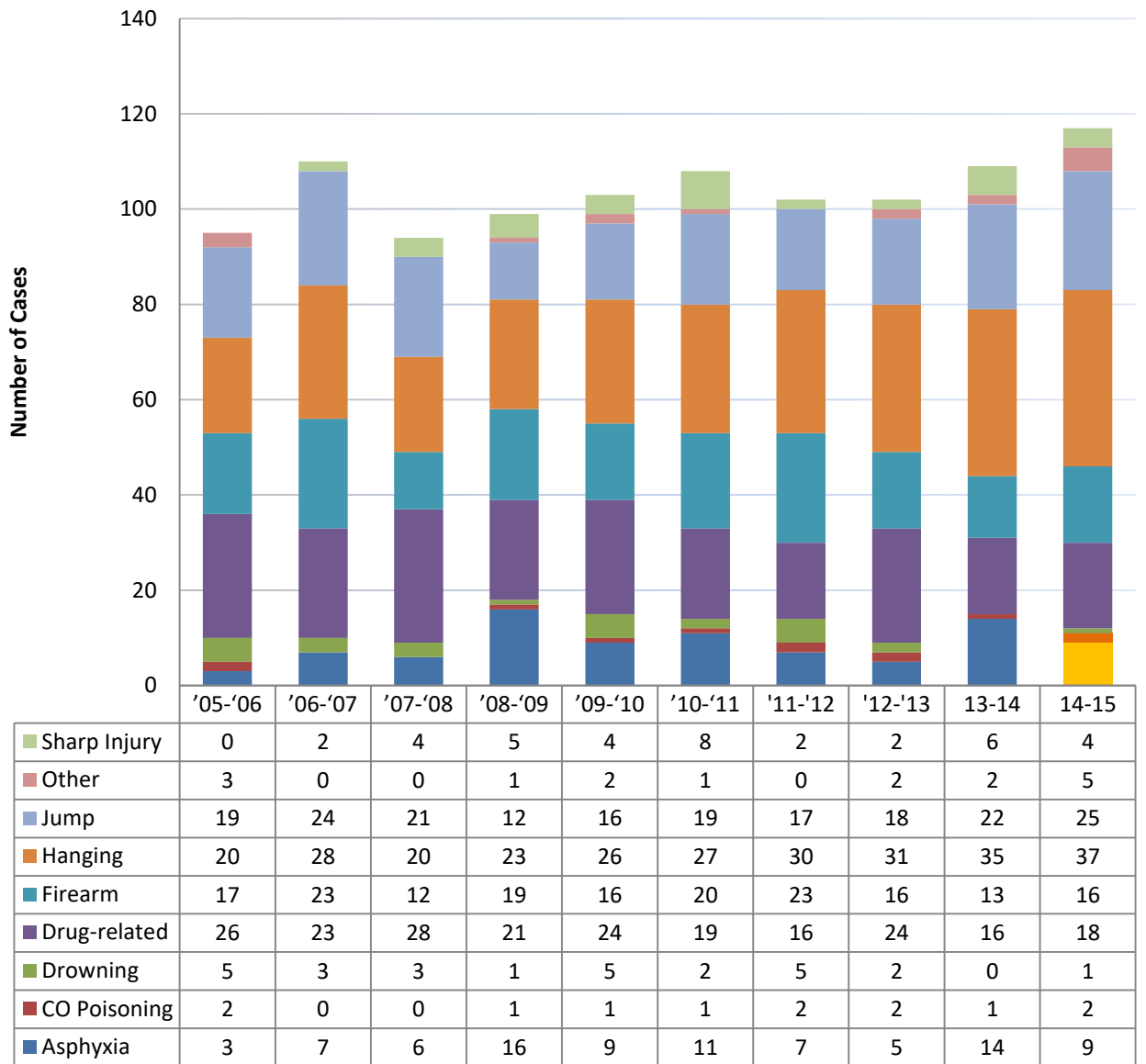


FY 2014-2015 Firearm Death by Manner & Method



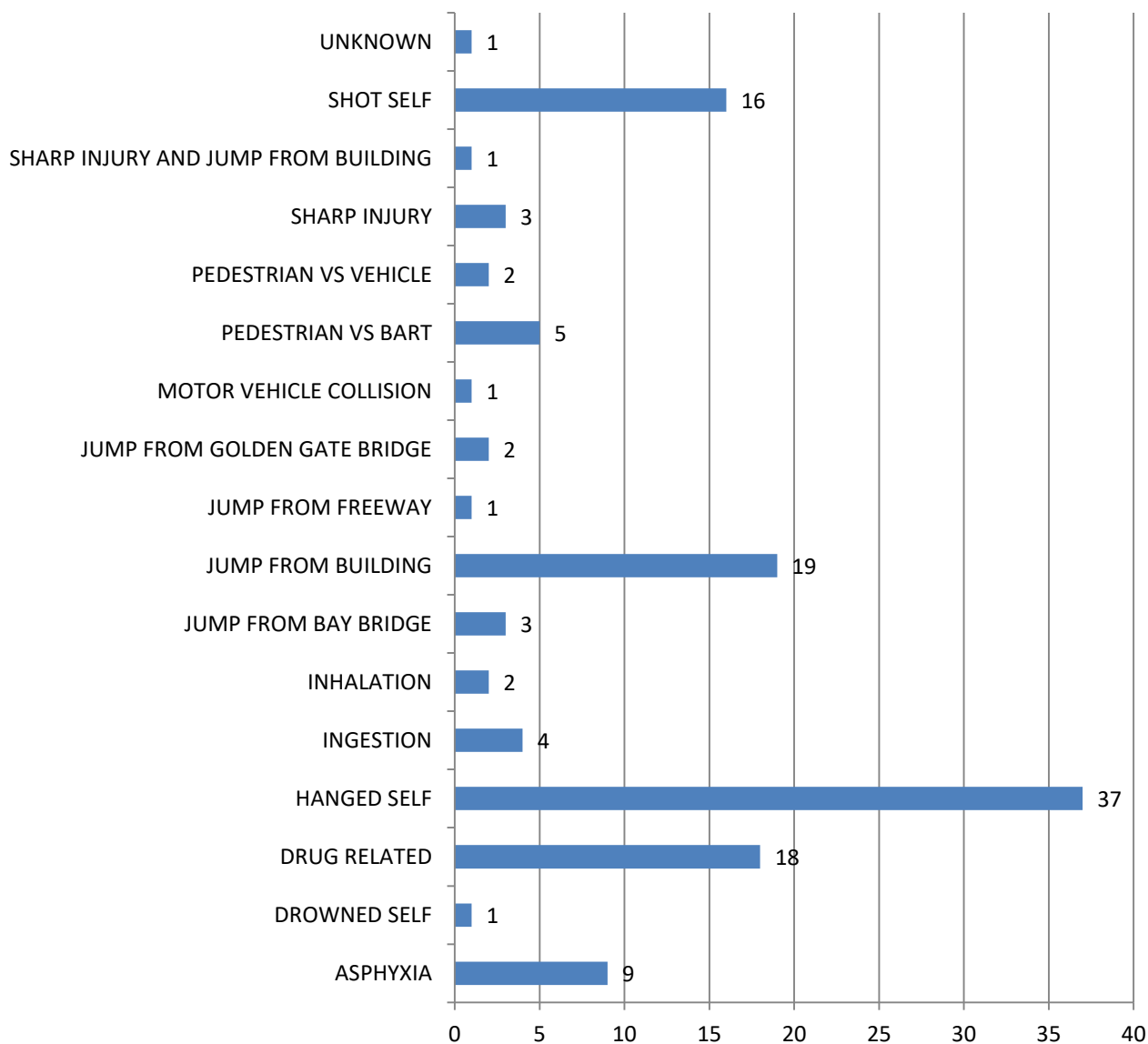
	HOMICIDE		SUICIDE
	SHOT BY ANOTHER	SHOT BY OTHER(S)	THREATENED POLICE OFFICERS WITH FIREARM WITH SUICIDAL INTENT
Total	39	1	16

Suicide Death 10 Year Perspective



FY 2014-2015 Suicide by Method

FY 2014-2015 Suicide by Method



FY 14-15 Natural, Undetermined, and Accidental child deaths

