

City and County of Honolulu
Department of the Medical Examiner

Annual Statistical Report
July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

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Total death notification

Jurisdiction accepted	1,402	
Jurisdiction declined	2,305	
Total deaths notified		3,707

Death scenes investigated 682

Bodies transported to the morgue

Jurisdiction cases body transported to the morgue	1,182	
Storage cases (non-jurisdiction cases)	47	
Total bodies transported to the morgue		1,229

Manner of death

Natural	657	
Accident	541	
Suicide	134	
Homicide	32	
Undetermined	38	
Total cases accepted		1,402

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Types of procedures

Full autopsy	417
Partial autopsy	48
External examination	717
Medical records review	220
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Total procedures	1,402

Histology

Cases where histology ordered	246
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Toxicology

Cases where toxicology performed	929
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Unclaimed remains

State-assisted cremation	152
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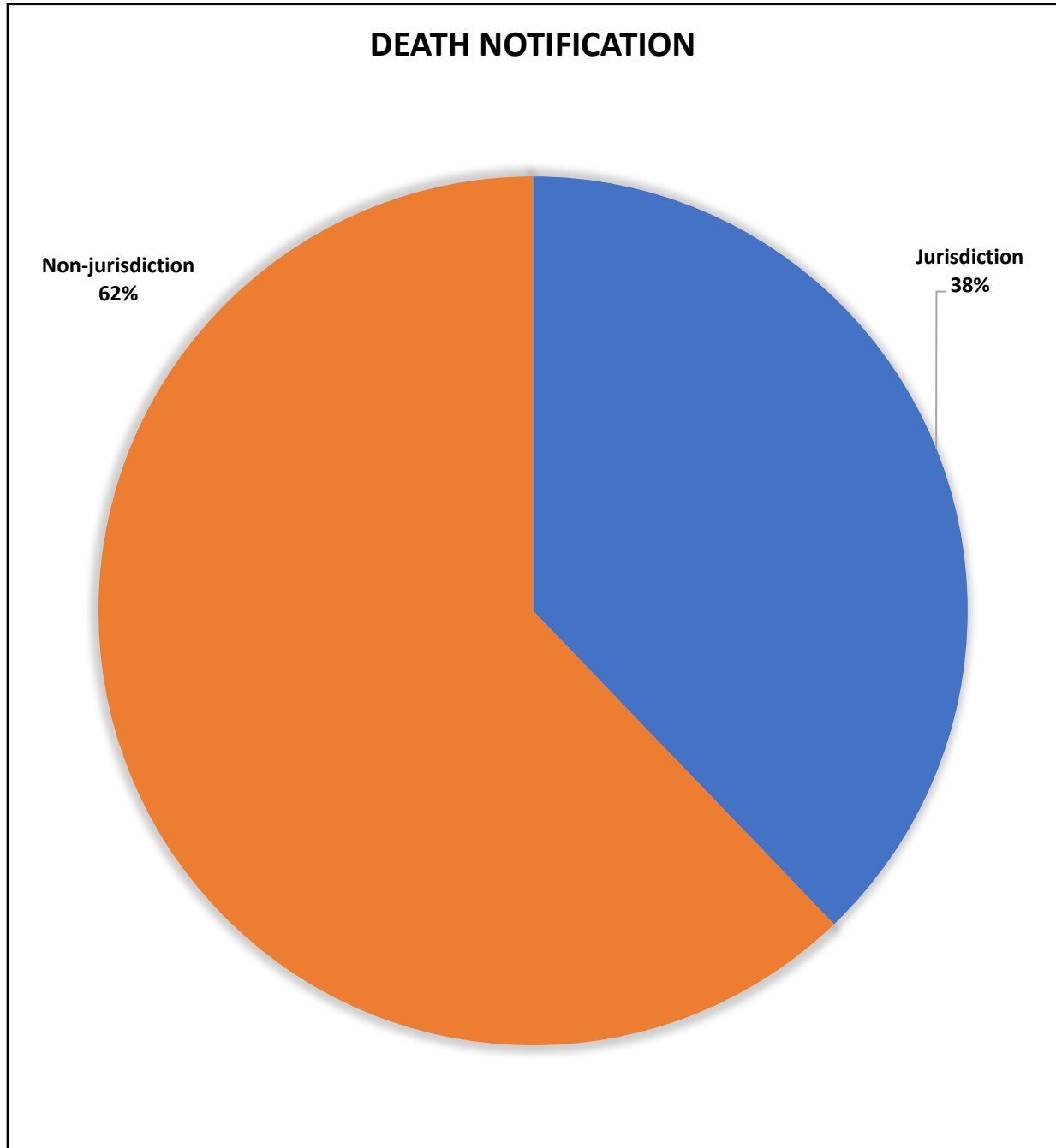
Unidentified remains	1
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Organ and tissue donations	88
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Death notification

Type of case	Cases
Jurisdiction	1,402
Non-jurisdiction	2,305
Total death notifications	3,707

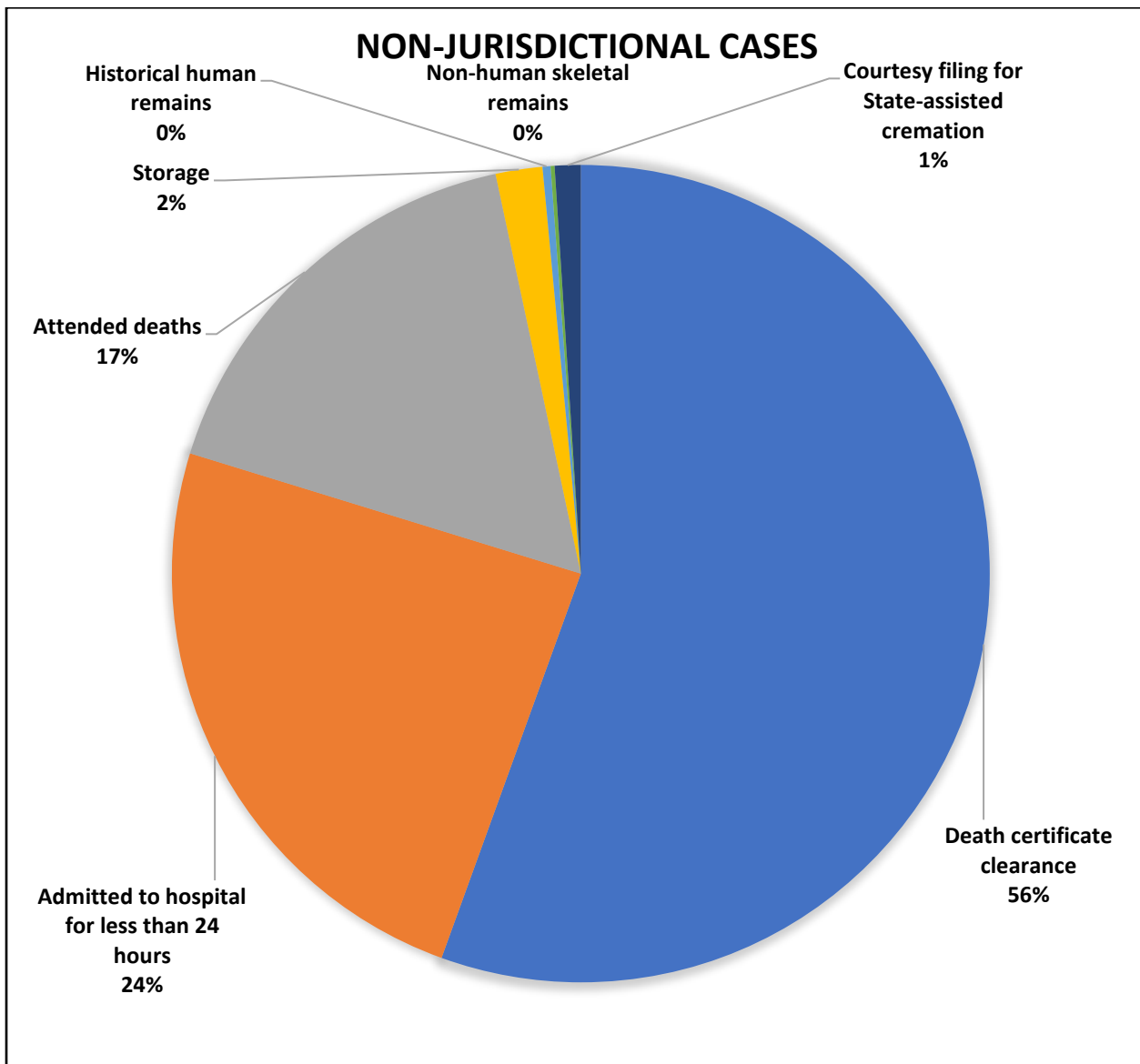


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Non-jurisdictional cases

Non-jurisdiction cases*	Cases
Death certificate clearance	1,410
Admitted to hospital for less than 24 hours	615
Attended deaths	429
Storage	47
Historical human remains	8
Non-human skeletal remains	4
Courtesy filing for State-assisted cremation	26
Total	2,539

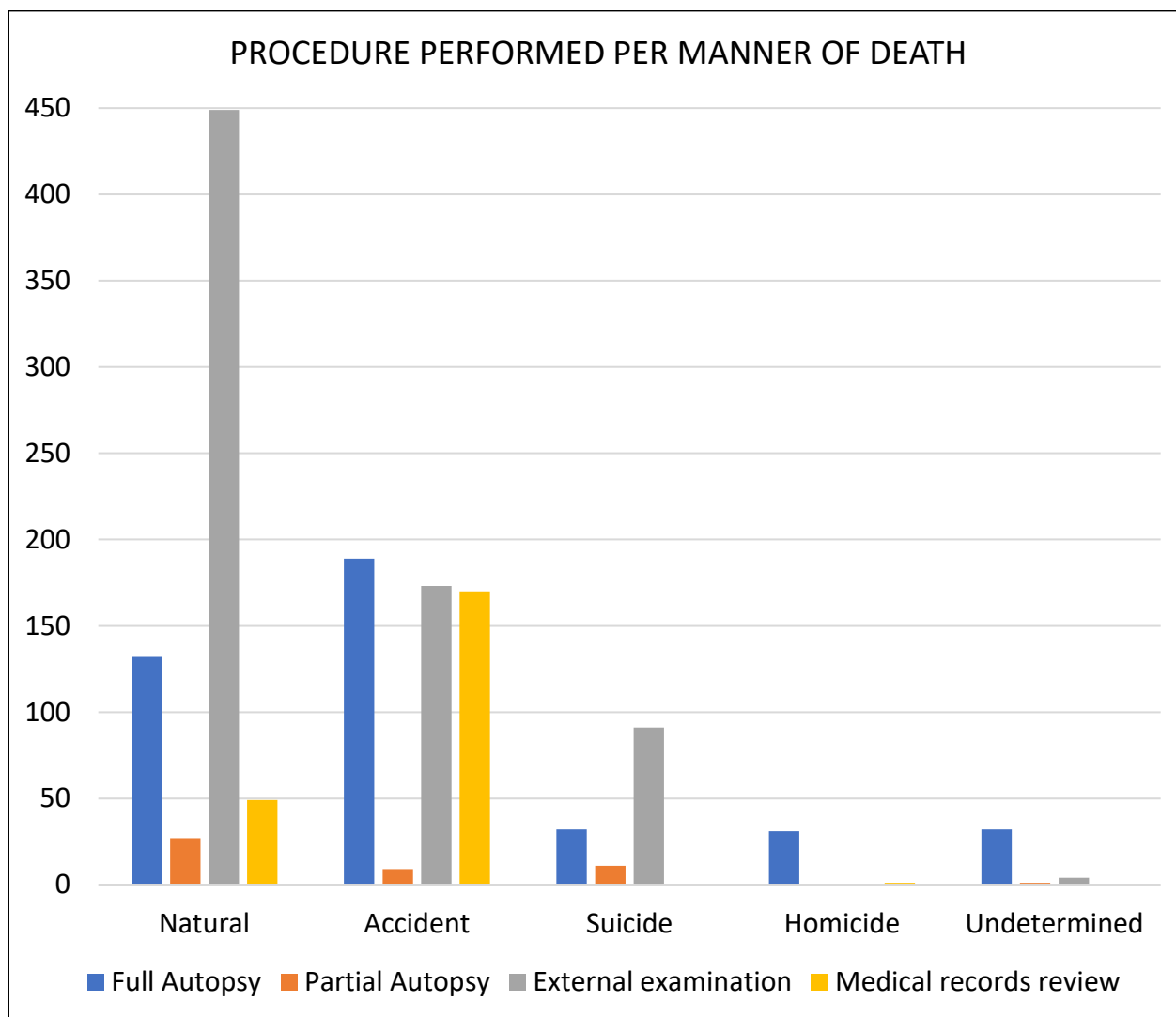
* There is overlap. The total number of non-jurisdictional cases is 2,305.



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Procedure performed per manner of death

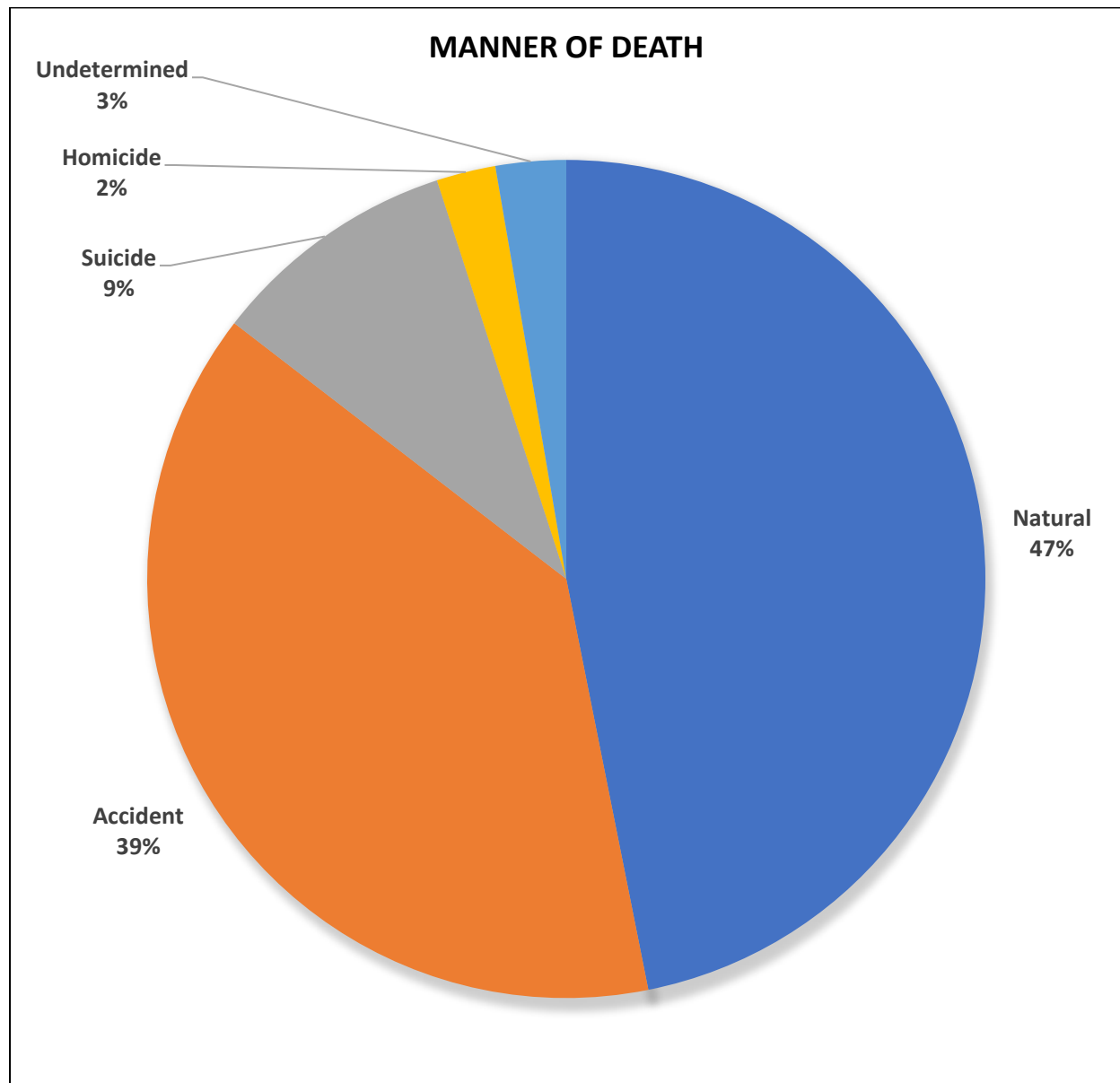
Manner of death	Full Autopsy	Partial Autopsy	External examination	Medical records review	Total
Natural	132	27	449	49	657
Accident	189	9	173	170	541
Suicide	32	11	91	0	134
Homicide	31	0	0	1	32
Undetermined	33	1	4	0	38
Total jurisdictional cases	417	48	717	219	1,402



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Manner of death

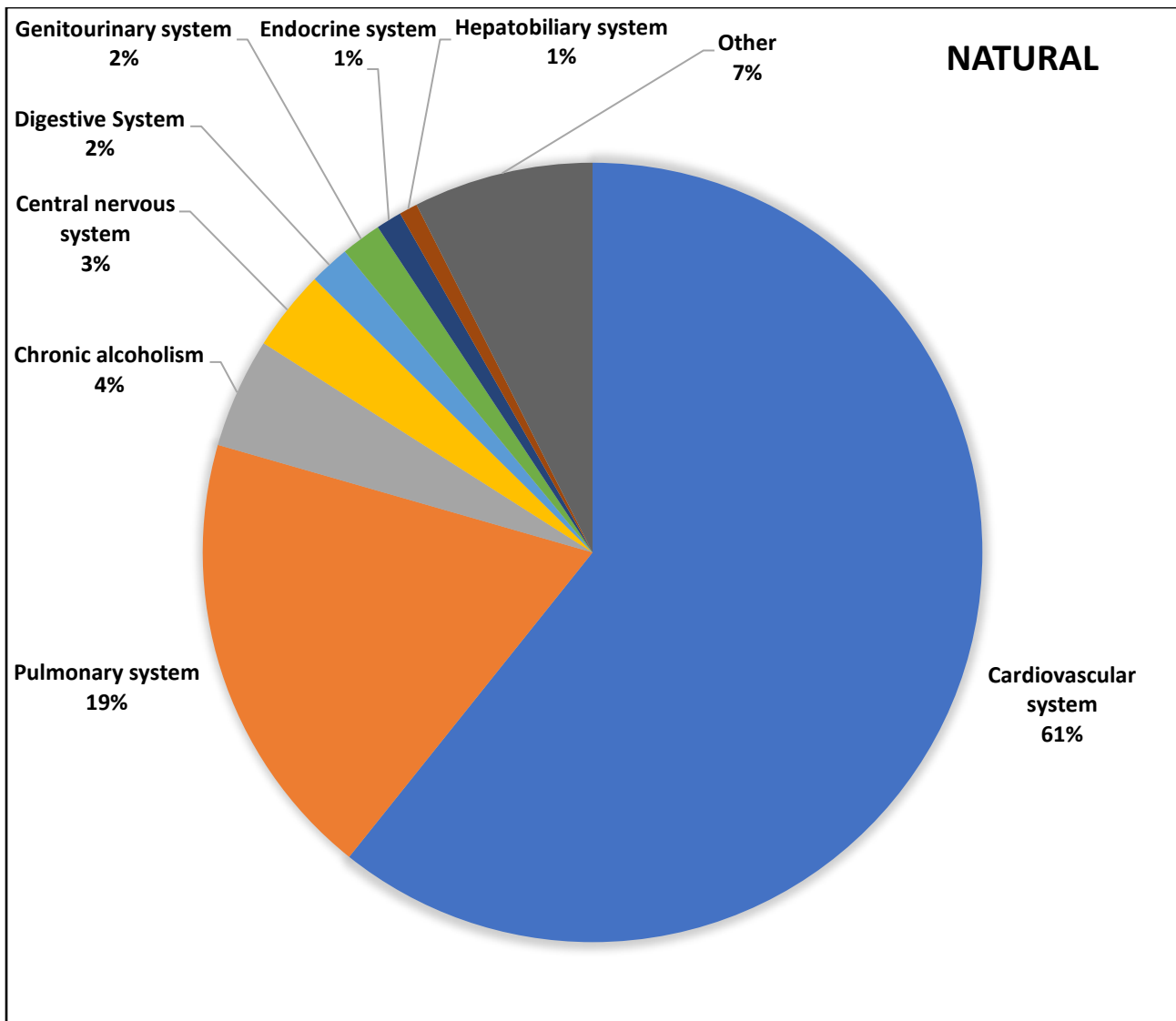
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Natural

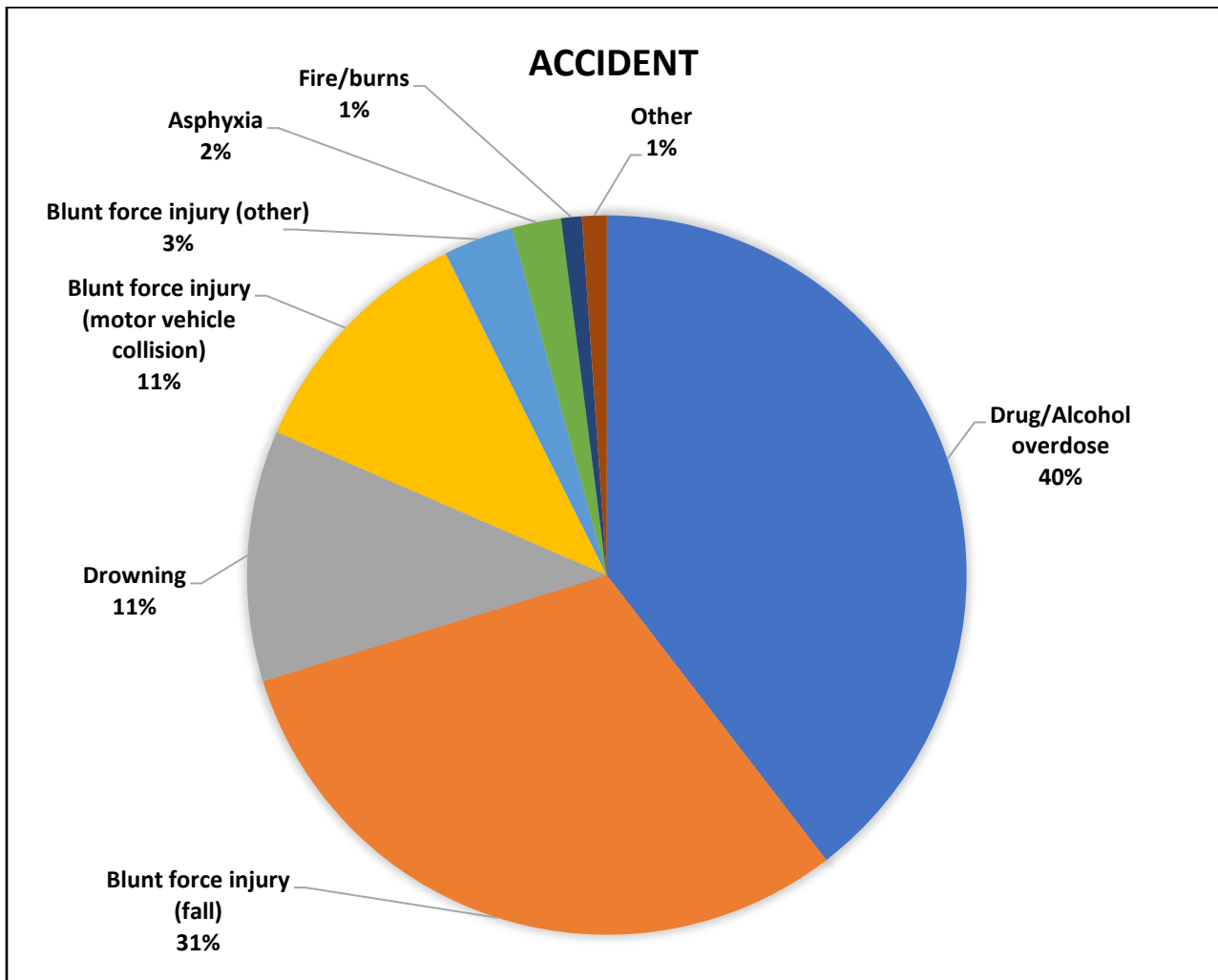
Manner of death category	Cases
Cardiovascular system	399
Pulmonary system	123
Chronic alcoholism	30
Central nervous system	22
Digestive System	11
Genitourinary system	11
Endocrine system	7
Hepatobiliary system	5
Other	49
Total cases	657



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Accident

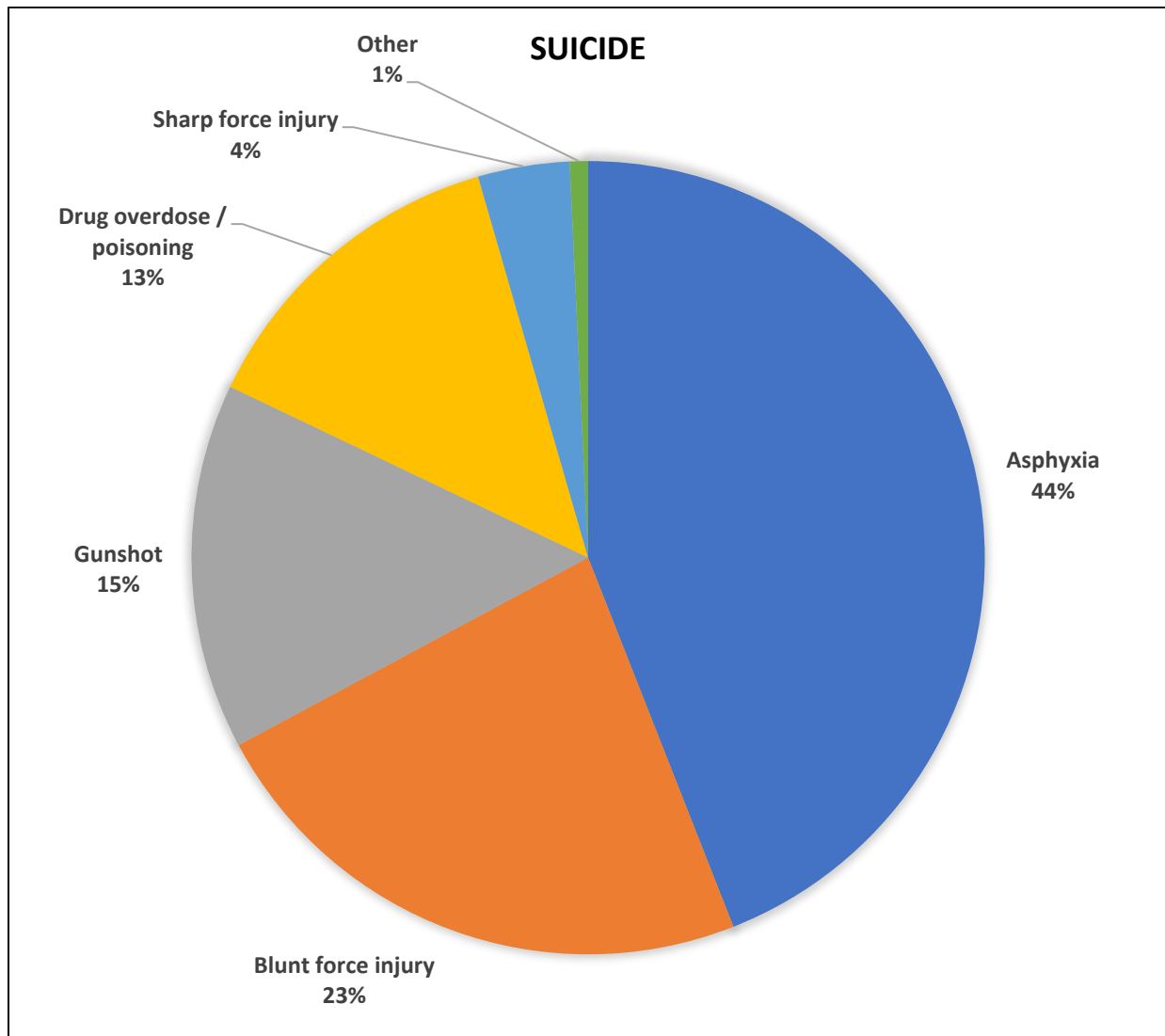
Manner of death category	Cases
Drug/Alcohol overdose	214
Blunt force injury (fall)	166
Drowning	61
Blunt force injury (motor vehicle collision)	60
Blunt force injury (other)	17
Asphyxia	12
Fire/burns	5
Other	6
Total cases	541



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Suicide

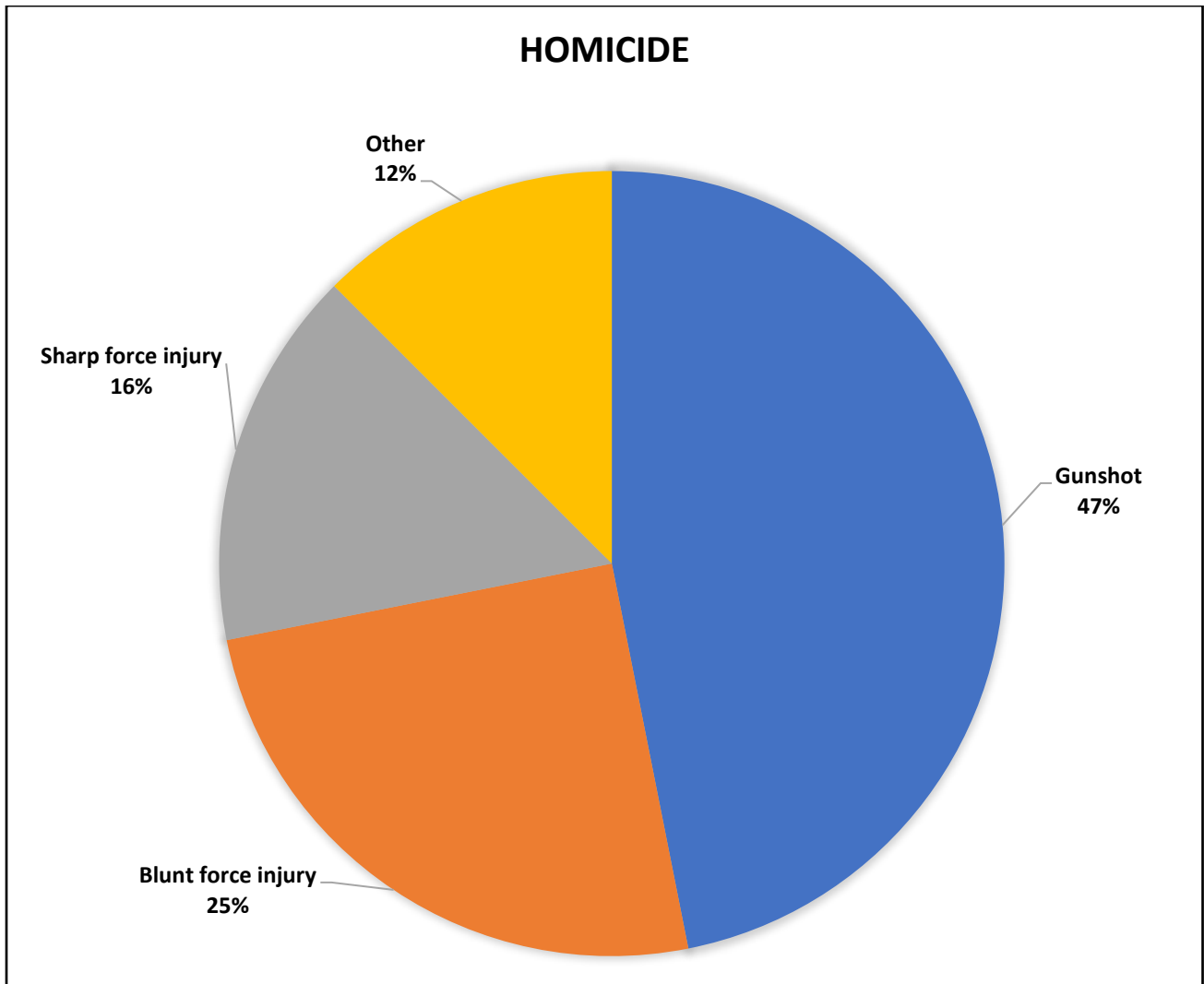
Manner of death category	Cases
Asphyxia	59
Blunt force injury	31
Gunshot	20
Drug overdose / poisoning	18
Sharp force injury	5
Other	1
Total cases	134



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Homicide

Manner of death category	Cases
Gunshot	15
Blunt force injury	8
Sharp force injury	5
Other	4
Total cases	32



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Undetermined

Manner of death category	Cases
Unexplained infant/child death	10
Drug/Poisoning	8
Fire-related	2
Traumatic injury	3
Other, including severe decomposition/skeletonization	15
Total cases	38

