Analysis of the State of Homicide: Murder

January to June 2026

HIGHLIGHTS

58 Total number of Murders

10 Avg. number of Murders per month

5 No. of Female Murder victims reported

53 No. of Male Murder victims reported

18-29 age range with the highest count of Murder victims

88% (51) of all Murders were committed with firearms

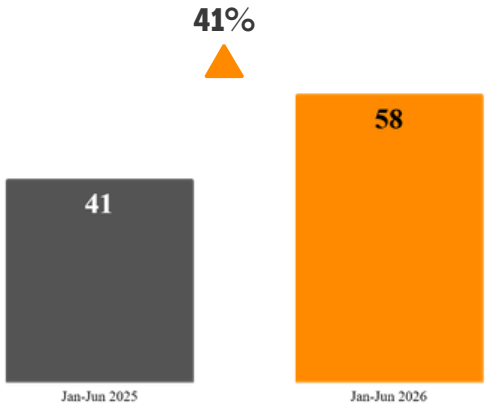
52% (30) of all Murders reported were in the Belize District

13 Highest number of Murder victims recorded per month

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Total Victims of Murder,

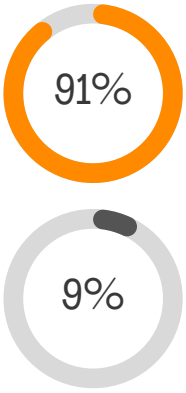
Jan-June 2025 vs. 2026



From January to June 2026, there were 58 Murder victims. This represents 17 more victims when compared to the same period in 2025.

Total Percentage of Murder Victims by Sex,

Jan-June 2026

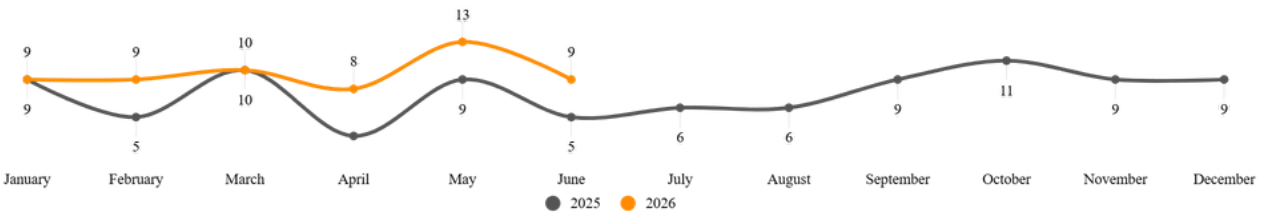


Between January and June 2026, 91% (53) of the Murder victims reported were males.

Between January and June 2026, 9% (5) of the Murder victims reported were females.

Total number of Murders,

2025 vs. 2026

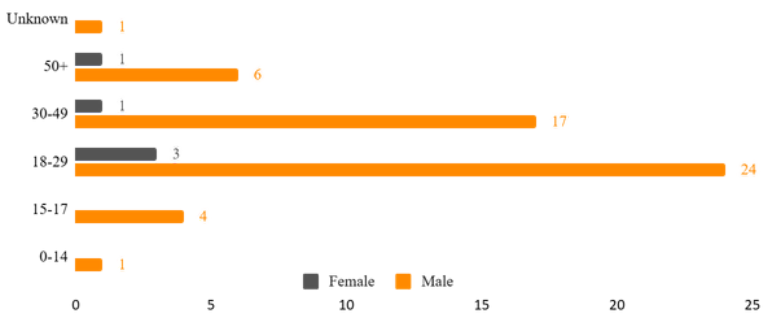


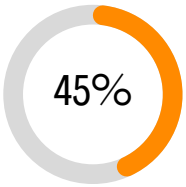
On average, 10 Murders per month occurred during January to June 2026. The month with the greatest number of victims in 2026 was May, with 13 victims, followed by March, with 10 victims.

During January to June2026, all months saw an increase when compared to the same period in 2025, except for January which reported no change when compared to the same period in 2025.

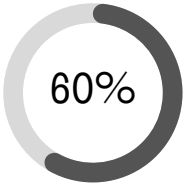
Age Group and Sex of Victims of Murder,

Jan-June 2026





45% (24) of the male victims of Murder were between 18-29 years.

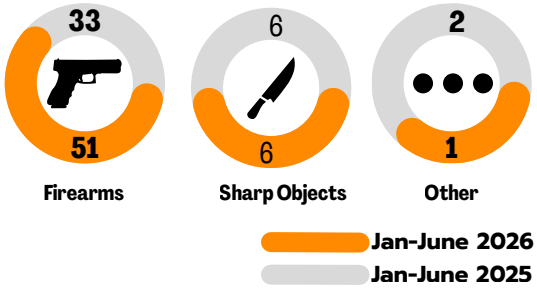


60% (3) of the female victims of Murder were between 18-29 years.

Weapon Types used in Murder Crimes,

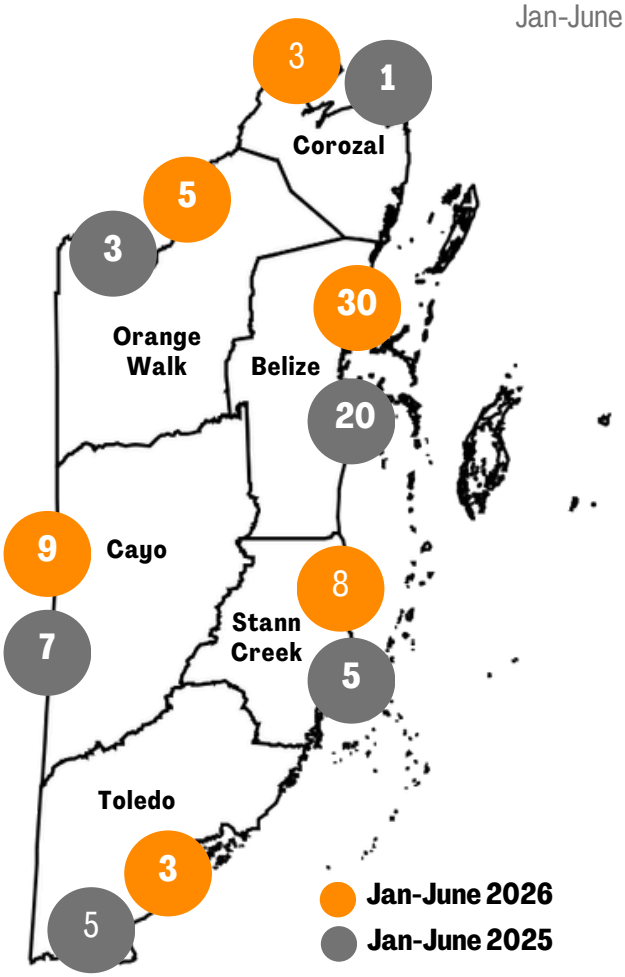
Jan-June 2025 vs. 2026

Firearms were used in 88% (51) of the Murders committed (used in 51 out of 58 cases). This represents an increase of 8 percentage points when compared to the same period in 2025 where firearms accounted for 80% (33) of the Murders committed. Sharp objects were used in 10% of the Murders committed (used in 6 out of 58 cases).



Murders by District,

Jan-June 2025 vs. 2026

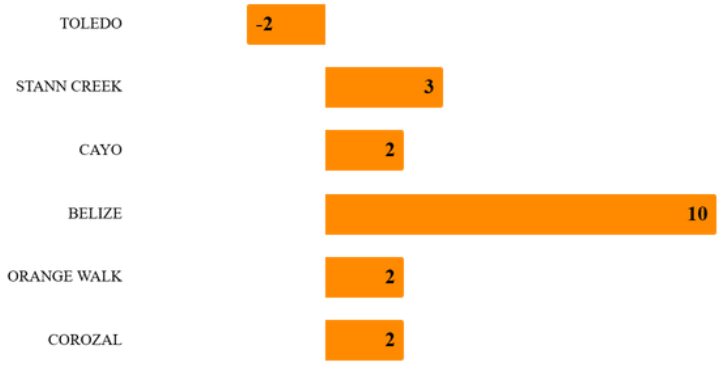


From January to June 2026, the Belize District resulted with the highest count of Murder victims with 30.

When compared to the same period in 2025, all districts reflected an increase with the exception of Toledo which reported a decrease.

Change in the number of Murder Victims,

Jan-June 2025 vs. 2026



Data Source: Belize Police Department (BPD) through the Crime Fusion Center

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