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GENERAL STATISTICS

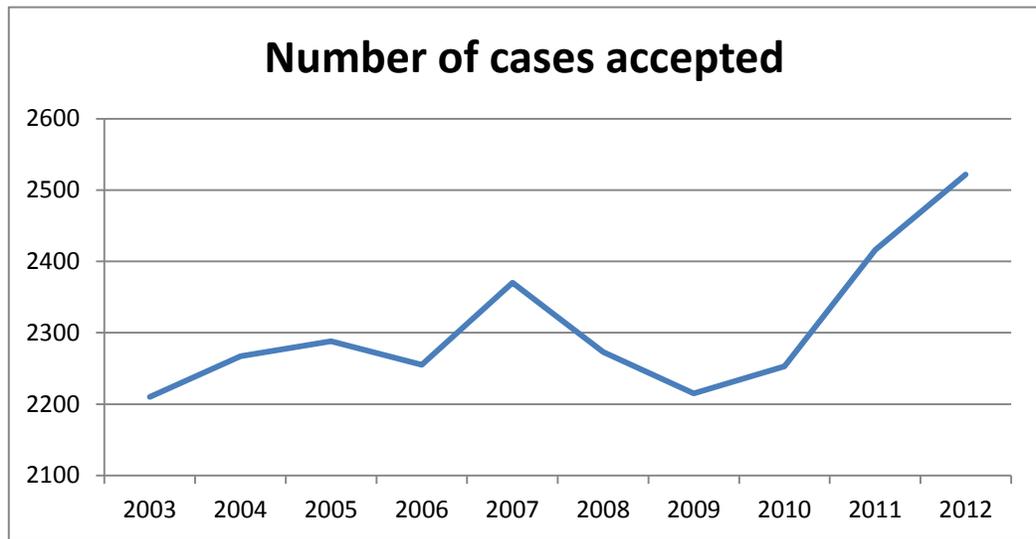
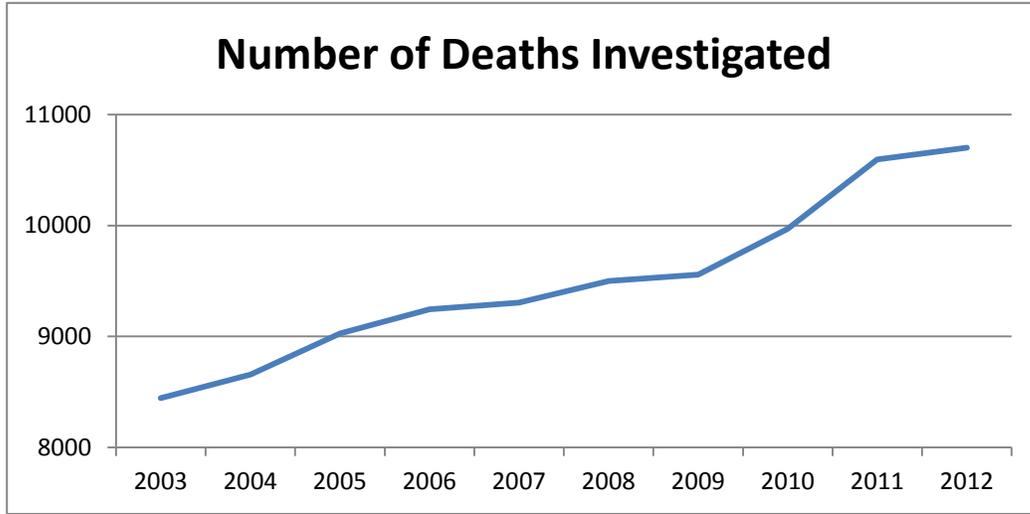
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Total Number of Cases Investigated	9969	10594	10700
Cases Accepted	2253	2416	2522
Scene Investigations	850	918	919
¹ Bexar County	1989	2133	2216
Autopsies			
Complete Autopsies	1122	1253	1337
Partial Autopsies	116	108	112
Inspections	751	772	767
² Out of County	97	107	123
Autopsies			
Complete Autopsies	90	99	116
Partial Autopsies	3	6	5
Inspections	4	2	2
Total Examinations			
Autopsies			
Complete Autopsies	1212	1352	1453
Partial Autopsies	119	114	117
Inspections	755	774	769
Death Certificates Only	57	51	56
Storage/Voided Cases	110	125	127
ME Cases Where Toxicology Testing Was Performed	1607 (77%)	1572 (75%)	1742 (75%)
FTL Cases (DUI/DWI)	1,235	2,748	3,875
Hospital autopsies retained under ME jurisdiction	9	14	13
Unidentified Bodies (after case completion)	2	1	1
Exhumations	0	1	2
Bodies Transported (Contract Service)	2053	2191	2297
Organ and Tissue Donations*			
Organ (TOSA)	44	104	34
Corneal (SAEB)	209	249	234
Tissue (STBTC & UHAR)	197	172	150
County Burials	30	30	58

¹ Includes Autopsies (Complete and Partial) and Inspections only.

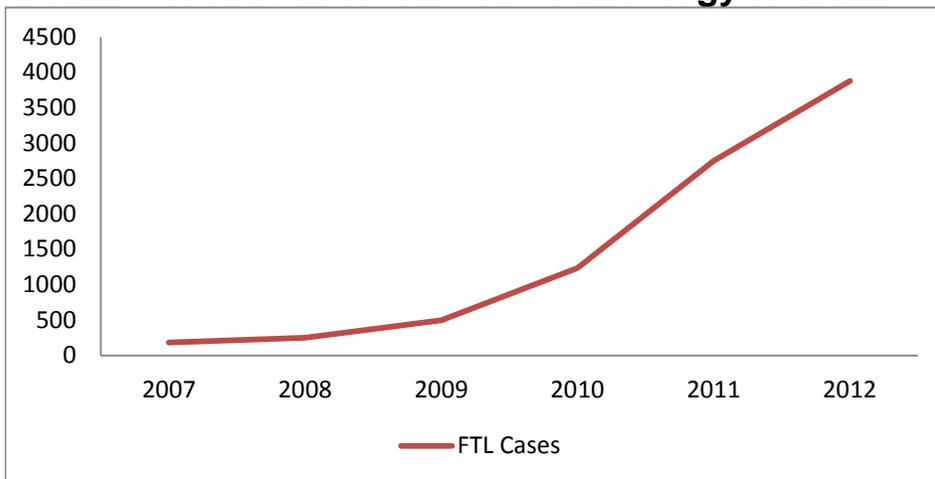
²Out of County cases are reported on this page for the purpose of performance indicators. For County statistical purposes, only Bexar County cases will be reported for the remainder of the annual report.

*Organ and tissue donation only approved by BCMEO after next of kin consent has been obtained; the data obtained was provided by the agencies listed in parentheses)

BCMEO Trends



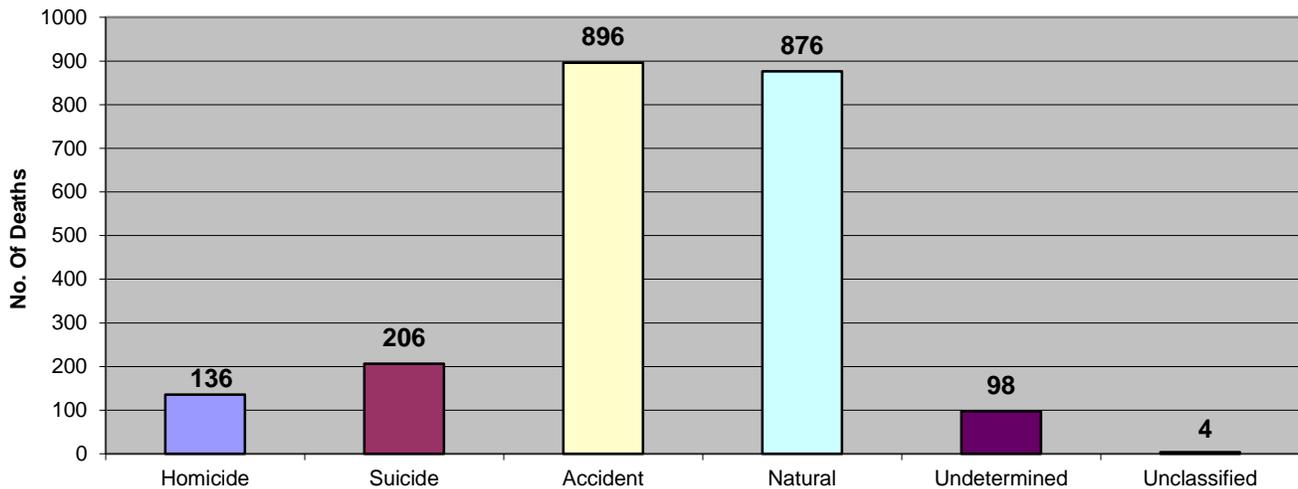
BCMEO Trends in Workload - Toxicology Non-ME cases



MANNER OF DEATH

<u>Manner</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Homicide	124	118	136
Suicide	199	194	206
Accident	788	860	896
Natural	795	860	876
Undetermined	77	96	98
Unclassified	6	5	4
Total	1989	2133	2216

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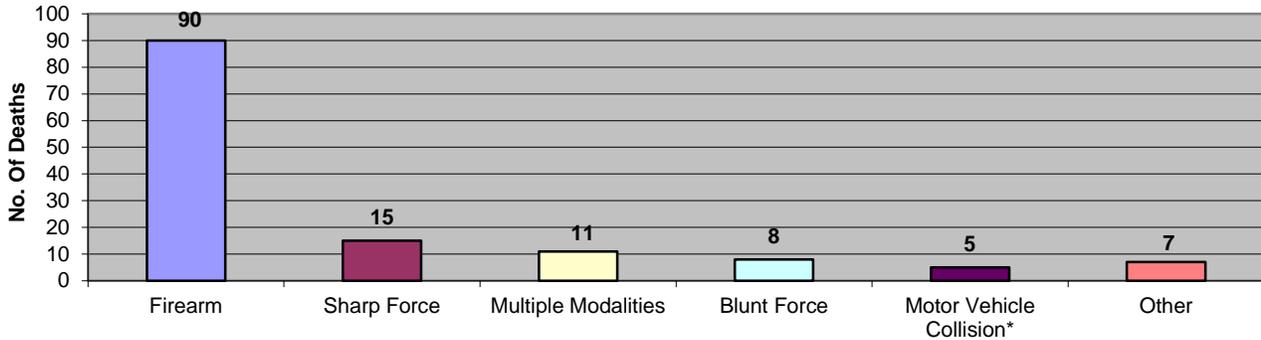


<u>Manner</u>	<u>Total Cases</u>	<u>Number Autopsied*</u>	<u>Percent Autopsied</u>
Homicide	136	136	100%
Suicide	206	178	86%
Accident	896	494	55%
Natural	876	541	62%
Undetermined	98	98	100%
Unclassified	4	2	50%
Total	2216	1449	65%

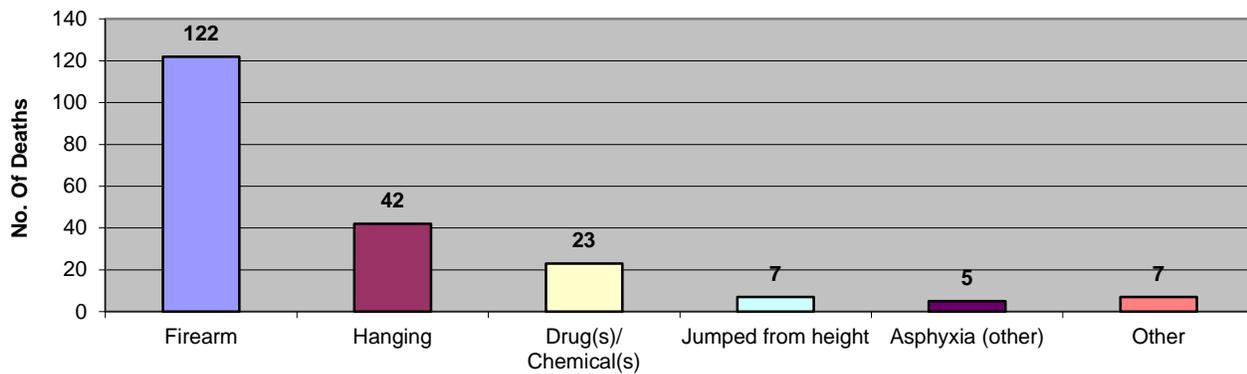
*Includes complete and partial autopsies

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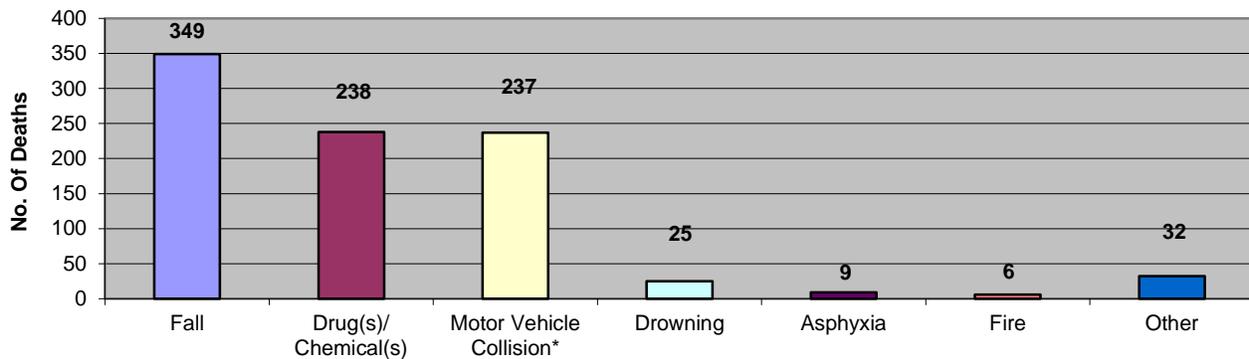
Homicides By Method



Suicides By Method



Accidents By Method



*Motor vehicle collisions include the following types of deaths: motor vehicle-driver; motor vehicle-passenger; motor vehicle-pedestrian; motor vehicle-fire; motorcycle/ATV; and bicycle vs. motor vehicle deaths.

PEDIATRIC DEATHS

<u>Manner Age <18 yrs</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Homicide	13	11	12
Suicide	3	2	6
Accident	30	29	44
Natural	8	11	14
Undetermined	18	29	30
Unclassified	4	2	1
Total	76	84	107

<u>Manner Age <1 yr</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Homicide	4	2	3
Accident	4	4	2
Natural	2	2	4
Undetermined	18	26	27
Unclassified	4	1	1
Total	32	35	37

<u>Sudden Unexplained Deaths in Infancy*</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2012</u>
with bedsharing/ co-sleeping	10	1	8
in unsafe sleeping environment	0	6	2
bedsharing in unsafe sleep environment	0	1	0
no known risk factors	5	4	6
Total cases	15	12	16

*these deaths were previously referred to as SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome)