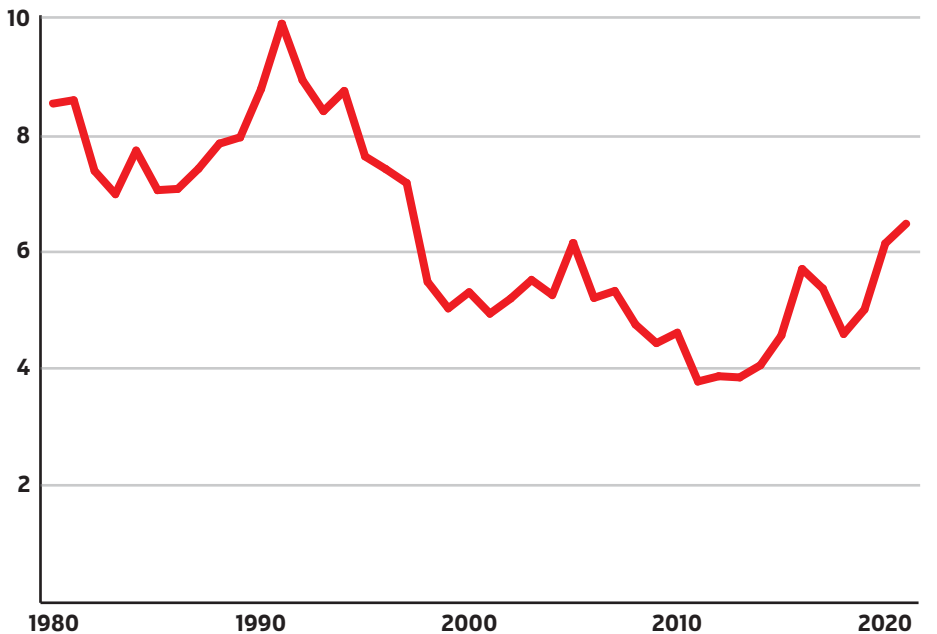


Homicides per 100,000 Virginians by year

The murder rate in the commonwealth is back on the rise after a steady two-decade decline.



Source: Virginia State Police

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