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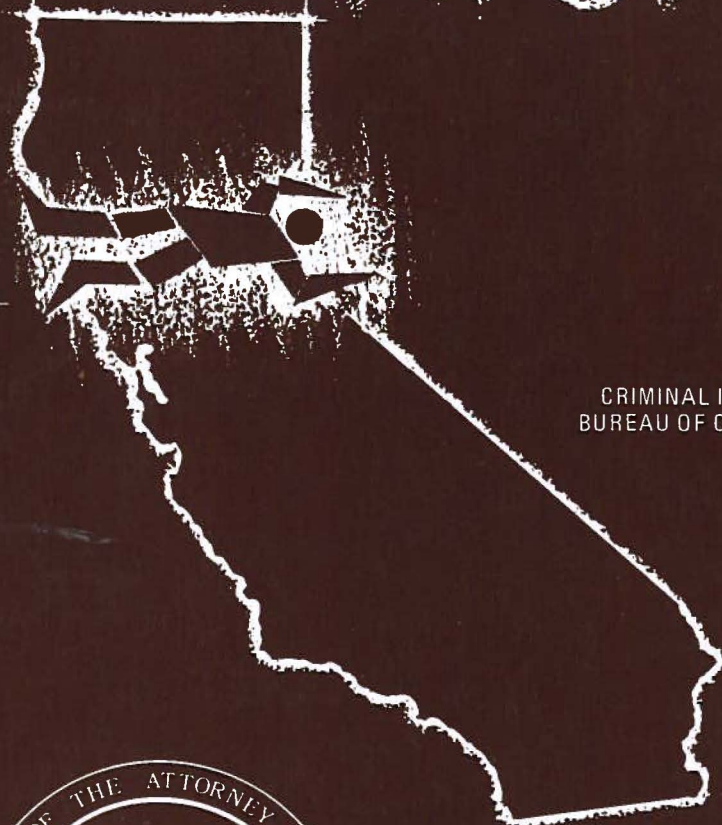
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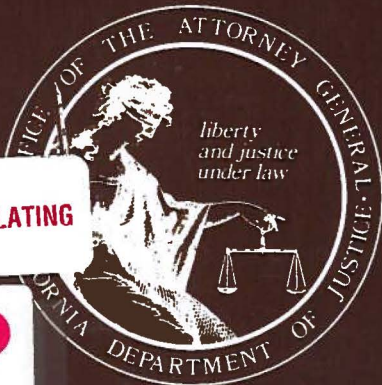
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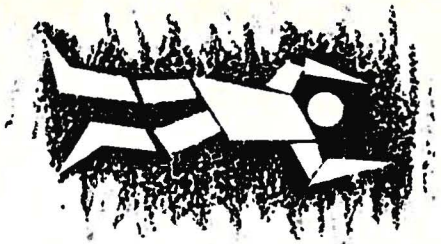
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*Homicide in California, 1983* provides a comprehensive look at the crime of homicide, its victims, and those arrested and prosecuted for the crime. Added features of this year's annual report are national and international homicide rates and a special analysis of the relationship between victim and offender.

Homicide crimes have decreased 22.5 percent during the past three years (from 3,405 in 1980 to 2,640 in 1983). It is difficult to define an exact reason for short-term homicide trends; however, shifts in the economy, demography, incapacitation of violent offenders, and other social influences and responses are all contributing factors. Our optimism should be tempered by the fact that a ten-year increase (from 1,355 in 1970 to 3,405 in 1980) preceded the current downward trend.

Geographically, the average homicide rate is higher in the more populated counties than in less populated counties (12.2 versus 6.3). This correlation between county population and the number of homicides reflects the impact of urban environmental stress.

In only 3 out of 10 homicide cases were the victim and offender strangers to each other. The weapons used most often in homicides were firearms and knives, 54.5 and 25.1 percent, respectively. The homicide rate for male victims was more than three times that of female victims. The rate for black victims was almost seven times that of white victims and more than twice the rate of Hispanic victims.

Of 3,440 dispositions of adults arrested for murder, 22.3 percent were released by law enforcement or prosecutors and 17.3 percent were dismissed or acquitted in the courts. Of the 2,078 convictions, 28.3 percent were convicted of murder and 71.7 percent were convicted of other offenses.

Of the 588 convictions for murder, the death penalty sentence was given to 34 individuals. Thus, only 1.0 percent of all murder arrest dispositions result in the death penalty, reflecting a highly deliberative and prudent criminal justice process.

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# INTRODUCTION

*Homicide in California, 1983* provides an annual overview of the crime of homicide and its victims, information on persons arrested for murder, and the system's response by type of disposition and sentence given. Homicide data are monitored on an annual basis to detect significant year-to-year changes and to provide information on special interest topics such as national and international homicide data.

The major sections of the report are:

- The Crime and Its Victims
- Arrests for Murder
- Dispositions of Adults Arrested for Murder

Most data presented were obtained from three independently compiled Bureau of Criminal Statistics (BCS) data bases: the Automated Homicide File for data pertaining to both willful and justifiable homicides; the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register for data relevant to the characteristics of persons arrested for murder; and the Offender-Based Transaction Statistics for information on types of dispositions, sentences, and death penalty cases.<sup>1</sup> The reader is cautioned against comparing data from the three independent data bases.

Trend data are shown from 1974, when the Automated Homicide File was established. Prior to this time, data on homicide variables were not available for analysis or comparison.

The analysis of race/ethnic data must be considered in light of the subjectivity of the labeling process and recent classification changes, such as those of the U.S. Bureau of the Census (1980).

Included in this year's report is a section displaying national and international homicide data for 1980. While these data are not meant to be used as a basis for comparisons between states or nations, they are provided for your general information.

In an effort to reduce the incidence of unknown homicide crime data, BCS implemented procedures to deal with incomplete records. The result of this effort, as measured from 1980, has been a substantial decrease in the amount of unknown data. A number of changes in the frequency distributions of certain variables did occur. However, despite the changes, essential relationships between the categories of these variables, for the most part, did not change.

A special project was carried out to further clear up unknowns in the 1980, 1981, and 1982 data. The result of this follow-up study on the relationship of the victim to the offender is shown on page 42.

This publication relies principally on charts to convey essential facts about homicide in California. These charts refer to and are based on tables presented in the Data Section at the back of the report. The Data Section contains raw and "analyzed" data tables. For any given variable, the raw data table shows the frequency count of each category, including that of "unknown." When, for purposes of analysis, unknown data are removed and categories are combined, the table becomes an analyzed data table. Analyzed data tables are the source tables for all charts in the report.

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<sup>1</sup>Tables 3-6, 8-45, and 63-74 were compiled from Automated Homicide File data. The data source for Tables 46-50 was the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register. The Offender-Based Transaction Statistics system was the source of data for Tables 51-62.





# HIGHLIGHTS

## CRIMES

- From 1980 to 1983, the number of willful homicides decreased from 3,405 to 2,640; the rate decreased from 14.3 to 10.5.
- More victims were killed at their places of residence than at other locations (37.7 percent).
- More victims were killed by firearms than by all other types of weapons combined (54.5 percent).

## ARRESTS

- From 1982 to 1983, the murder arrest rate decreased 5.8 percent.
- In 1983, of the 3,397 arrestees for murder, 88.7 percent were male.

## DISPOSITIONS

Of the 3,440 persons arrested for murder and disposed of in 1983:

- 17.1 percent were convicted of murder.
- 43.3 percent were convicted of other offenses.
- 39.6 percent were released, dismissed, or acquitted.

## DEATH PENALTY

- 34 persons convicted of first degree murder were sentenced to death.

## PEACE OFFICERS KILLED

- In 1983, 9 peace officers were killed in the line of duty.

## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

- The most frequent contributing circumstance for a justifiable homicide by a peace officer was that of a felon attacking a peace officer (39.7 percent).
- The most frequent contributing circumstance for a justifiable homicide by a private citizen was in the commission of a crime (76.2 percent).

## FOLLOW-UP STUDY

The follow-up study of 1980, 1981, and 1982 homicide cases revealed that:

- The most frequent relationship of victims to offenders remained the friend or acquaintance category (44.7 percent).
- The stranger category increased from 10.1 percent in the initial study to 27.8 percent in the follow-up study.

## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDES

- California reported a homicide rate of 14.5.
- The United States reported a homicide rate of 10.2.



## **WILLFUL HOMICIDE – The Crime and Its Victims**

The crime of willful homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as the "willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another." Attempted murder, justifiable homicide, manslaughter by negligence, and suicide are excluded. The data presented in this section of the report coincide with that definition, and were obtained almost exclusively from the Automated Homicide File. Other data sources are indicated in the footnotes of the appropriate tables.

**TABLE 1**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Annual Percent Change

Year	Number	Percent change <sup>a</sup>	Rate	Percent change <sup>a</sup>
1983 . . . . .	2,640	-5.0	10.5	-6.2
1982 . . . . .	2,778	-11.5	11.2	-13.8
1981 . . . . .	3,140	-7.8	13.0	-9.1
1980 . . . . .	3,405	15.8	14.3	13.5
1979 . . . . .	2,941	13.1	12.6	10.5
1978 . . . . .	2,601	4.8	11.4	2.7
1977 . . . . .	2,481	12.1	11.1	9.9
1976 . . . . .	2,214	.8	10.1	-1.0
1975 . . . . .	2,196	11.5	10.2	9.7
1974 . . . . .	1,970	5.8	9.3	4.5

<sup>a</sup>Annual percent change in both number and rate is calculated from the number and rate of the previous year.  
 Source: *Criminal Justice Profile - 1983, Statewide*, published by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics, California Department of Justice.

**From 1982 to 1983:**

- The number of willful homicides decreased from 2,778 to 2,640.
- The willful homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 6.2 percent (11.2 to 10.5).

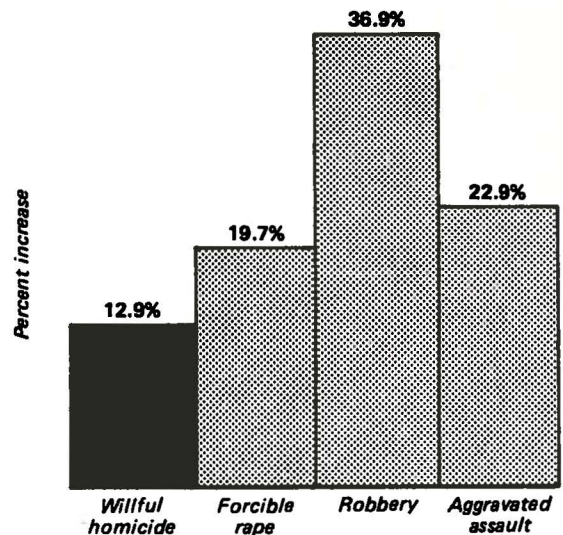
**From 1974 to 1983:**

- The number of willful homicides increased from 1,970 to 2,640.
- The willful homicide rate per 100,000 population increased 12.9 percent (9.3 to 10.5).

For purposes of comparison, similar increases in the rates of other violent crimes during this period were as follows:

- Forcible rape - 19.7 percent.
- Robbery - 36.9 percent.
- Aggravated assault - 22.9 percent.

**CHART 1**  
**VIOLENT CRIMES**  
 Percent Increase in Rate per 100,000 Population from 1974 to 1983

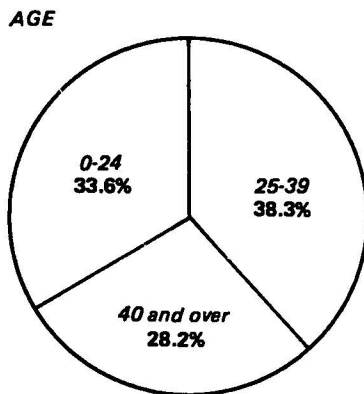
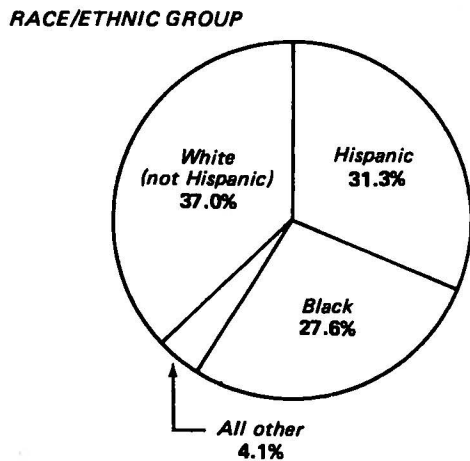
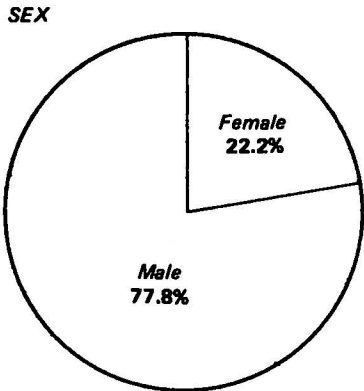


Source: Table 7.





**CHART 2**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
Distribution of Victims by Sex, Known Race/Ethnic Group, and Known Age



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 9, 10, and 11.

When willful homicide victims were analyzed by sex, it was found that:

- ◀ ■ In 1983, 77.8 percent were male and 22.2 percent were female.
- For each year, 1974–1983, the larger proportion of homicide victims were male (from 73.6 to 79.6 percent). ▶

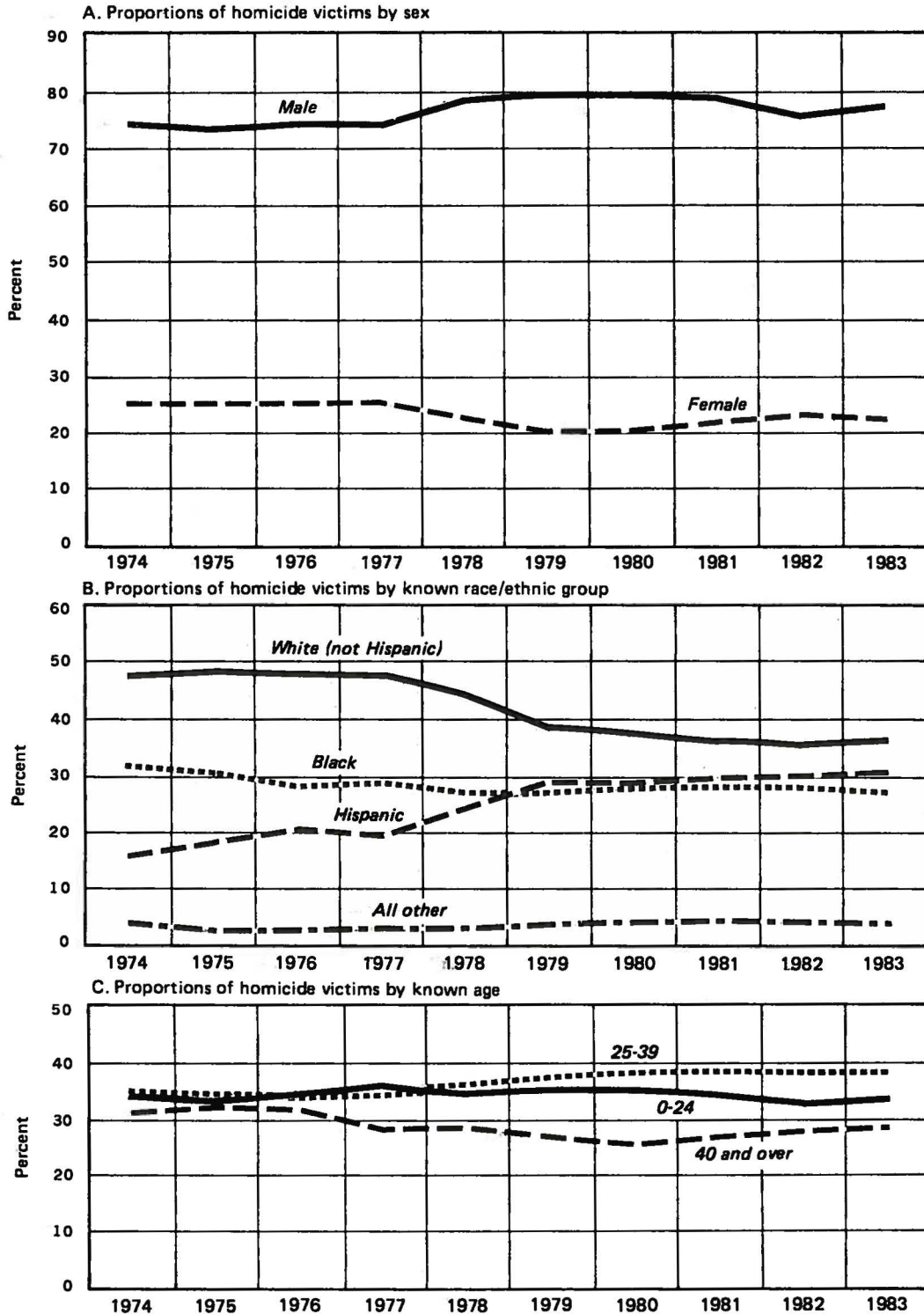
When willful homicide victims were analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- ◀ ■ In 1983, 37.0 percent were white (not Hispanic), 31.3 percent were Hispanic, 27.6 percent were black, and 4.1 percent were of "all other" race/ethnic groups combined.
- For each year, 1974–1983, proportionately more homicide victims were classified white (not Hispanic). During this period (most notably 1977 through 1979), this proportion has tended to decrease while the proportion of those classified as Hispanic has tended to increase. ▶

When willful homicide victims were analyzed by age, it was found that:

- ◀ ■ In 1983, 33.6 percent were 0–24 years, 38.3 percent were 25–39 years, and 28.2 percent were 40 years of age or older.
- For each year, 1974–1983, the smallest proportion of homicide victims were 40 years of age and older. ▶
- Since 1978, the largest proportion of homicide victims were 25–39 years of age. ▶

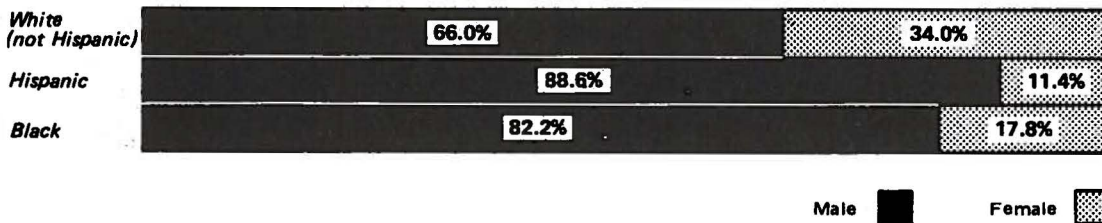
**CHART 3**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIME TRENDS, 1974-1983**  
 Sex, Known Race/Ethnic Group, and  
 Known Age of Homicide Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Tables 9, 10, and 11.

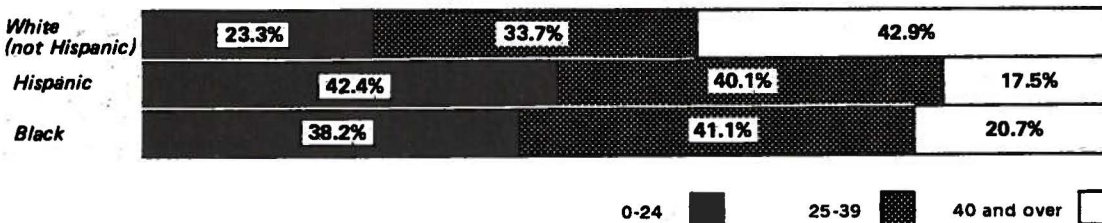


**CHART 4**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Sex of Victim by Known Race/Ethnic Group



Source: Table 8.

**CHART 5**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Age of Victim by Known Race/Ethnic Group



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 12.

When sex of victim was analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

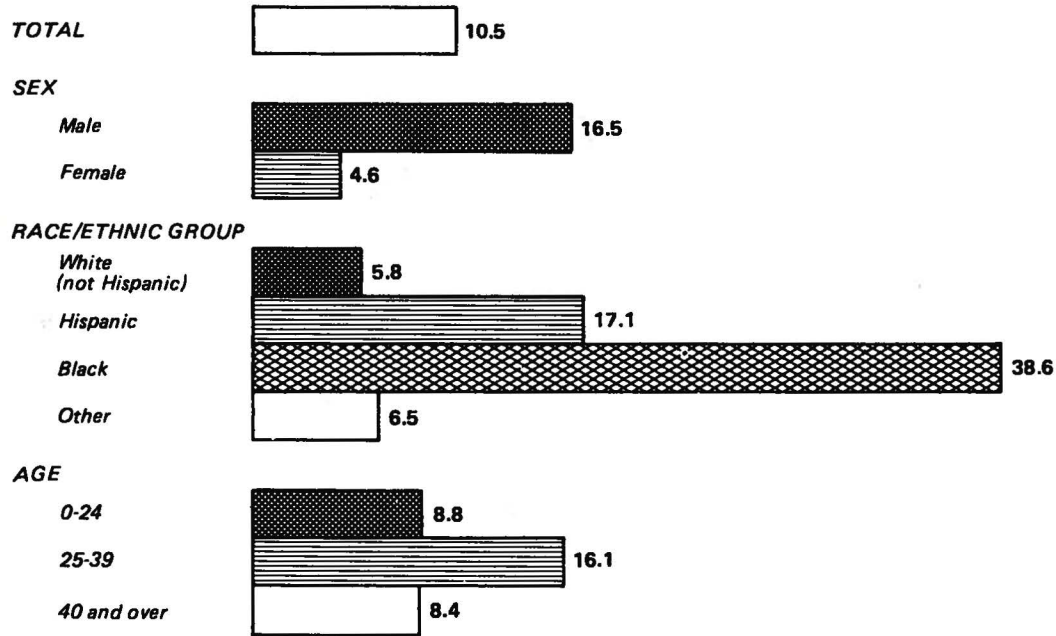
- Proportionately, more Hispanic homicide victims were male than were either white (not Hispanic) or black homicide victims (88.6 versus 66.0 and 82.2 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more white (not Hispanic) homicide victims were female than were either Hispanic or black homicide victims (34.0 versus 11.4 and 17.8 percent, respectively).

When known age of victim was analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- Proportionately, fewer white (not Hispanic) homicide victims were 24 years of age or younger than were either Hispanic or black homicide victims (23.3 versus 42.4 and 38.2 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more white (not Hispanic) homicide victims were 40 years of age or older than were either Hispanic or black homicide victims (42.9 versus 17.5 and 20.7 percent, respectively).



**CHART 6**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Rate per 100,000 Population by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age



Source: Table 23.

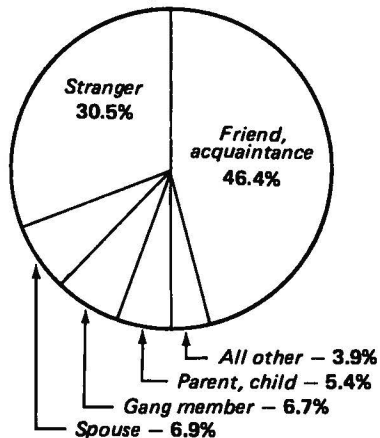
The willful homicide rate in 1983 was 10.5 per 100,000 population. Chart 6 shows willful homicide rates per 100,000 population for subgroups of victims classified by sex, race/ethnic group, and age.

In 1983:

- Males were more than three times as likely as females to be homicide victims (16.5 versus 4.6).
- Blacks were more than twice as likely as Hispanics and almost seven times as likely as whites (not Hispanic) to be homicide victims (38.6 versus 17.1 and 5.8, respectively).
- Persons 25–39 years of age were almost twice as likely to be homicide victims as were either younger or older persons (16.1 versus 8.8 and 8.4, respectively).

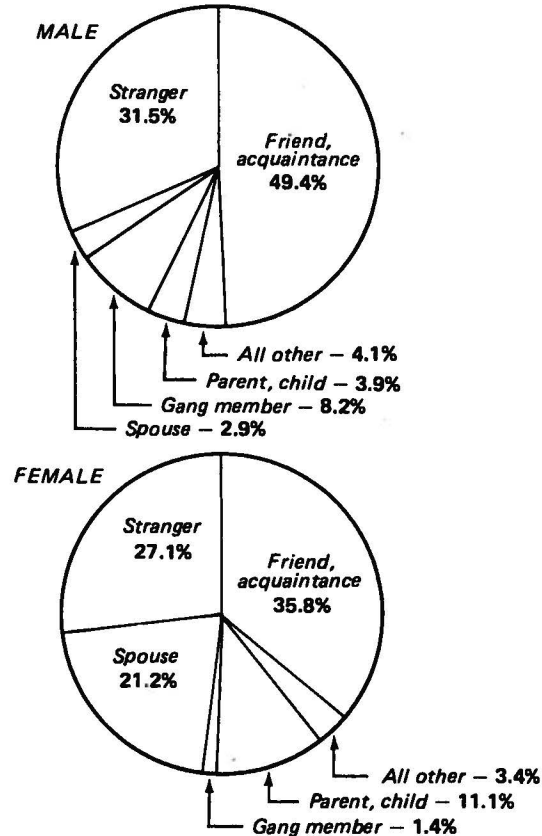


**CHART 7**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Relationship of Victim to Offender



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 24.

**CHART 8**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Relationship of Victim to Offender  
 by Sex of Victim



Source: Table 24.

When 1983 willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known relationship of the victim to the offender, it was found that:

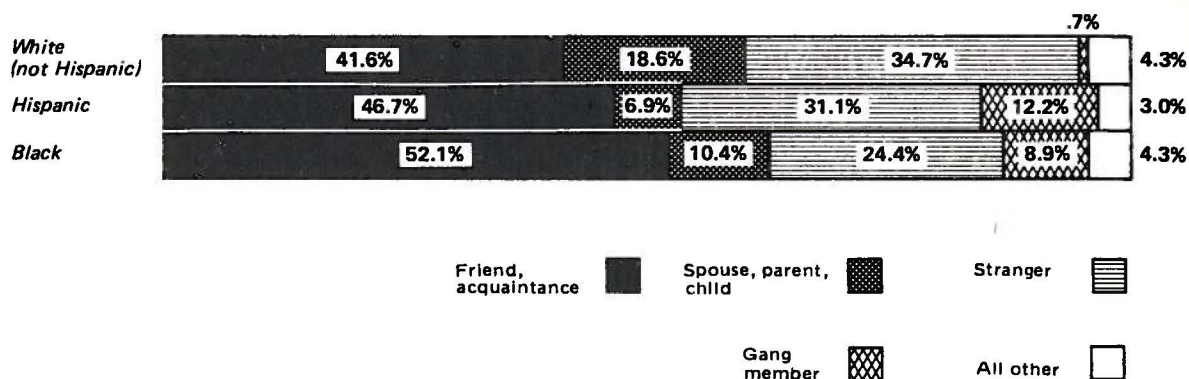
- 46.4 percent of the victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders.
- 30.5 percent of the victims were strangers to offenders.
- 6.9 percent of the victims were spouses of offenders.
- 6.7 percent of the victims were gang members.
- 5.4 percent of the victims were parents or children of offenders.
- 3.9 percent of the relationships of victim to offender were classified as "all other."

Additional victim/offender relationship data are provided in "Follow-Up Study on Unknowns," page 42.

When known relationship of the victim to the offender was analyzed by sex, it was found that:

- The female victim was much more likely than the male victim to be the spouse of the offender (21.2 versus 2.9 percent).
- The female victim was much more likely than the male victim to be the parent or child of the offender (11.1 versus 3.9 percent).
- The male victim was much more likely than the female victim to be a gang member (8.2 versus 1.4 percent).
- The male victim was more likely than the female victim to be a friend or acquaintance of the offender (49.4 versus 35.8 percent).

**CHART 9**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Relationship of Victim to Offender by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 25.

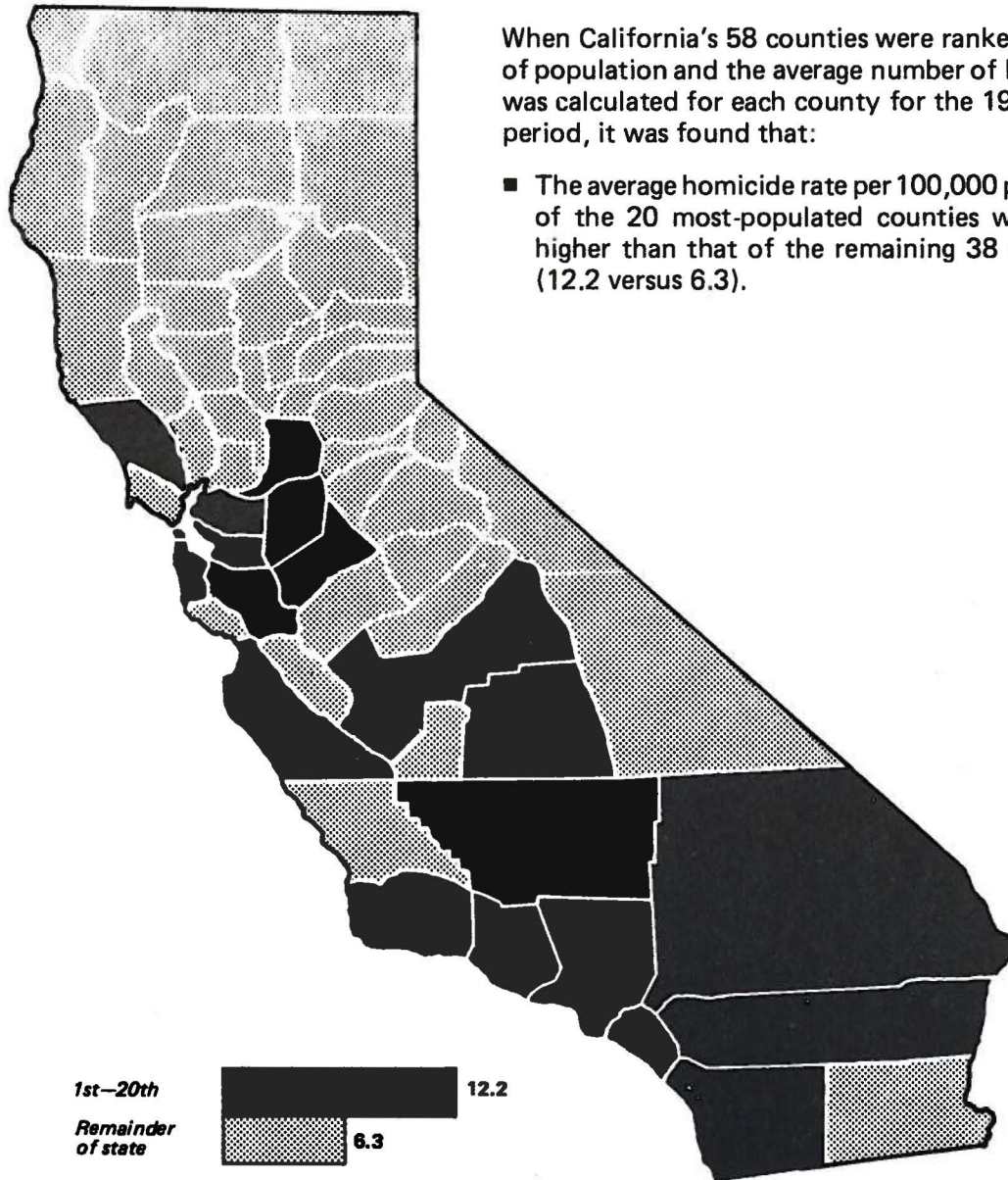
When known relationship of the victim to the offender was analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- For each race/ethnic group, the homicide victim was most likely to be a friend or acquaintance of the offender. This relationship was most pronounced in the case of blacks (52.1 percent).
- The white (not Hispanic) victim was much less likely to be a gang member than the Hispanic or black victim (.7 versus 12.2 and 8.9 percent, respectively).
- The Hispanic victim was less likely to be the spouse, parent, or child of the offender than either the white (not Hispanic) or black victim (6.9 versus 18.6 and 10.4 percent, respectively).
- The black victim was less likely to be a stranger to the offender than the white (not Hispanic) or Hispanic victim (24.4 versus 34.7 and 31.1 percent, respectively).





**CHART 10**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1981-1983**  
Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population to Size of County



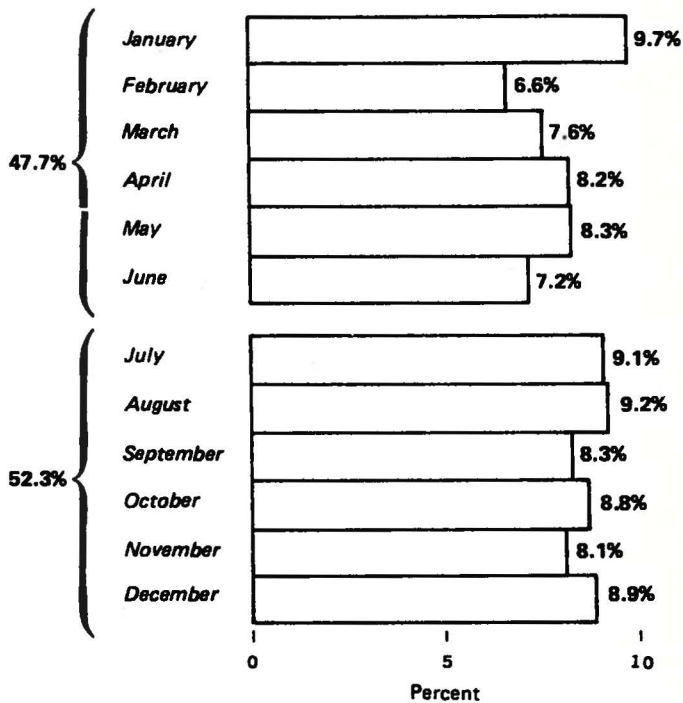
Source: Table 27.

**CHART 11**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Percent by Known Month of Incident

When 1983 willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known month of incident, it was found that:

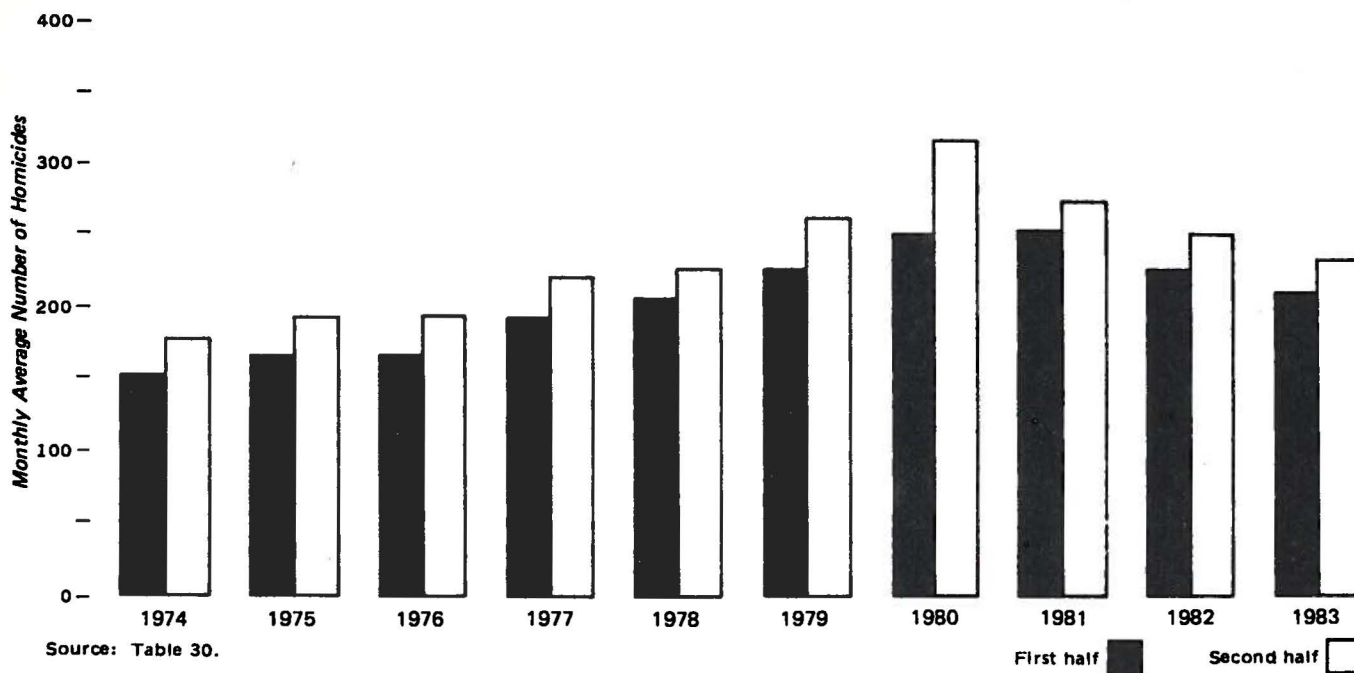
- More homicides occurred in the last six months than in the first six months (52.3 versus 47.7 percent).
- This relationship was found to exist each year since 1974 (Chart 12).

This suggests a seasonal pattern in willful homicide crimes in which more persons are killed in the last six months than in the first six months of the year.



Source: Table 29.

**CHART 12**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Seasonality  
 (First Half vs Second Half)

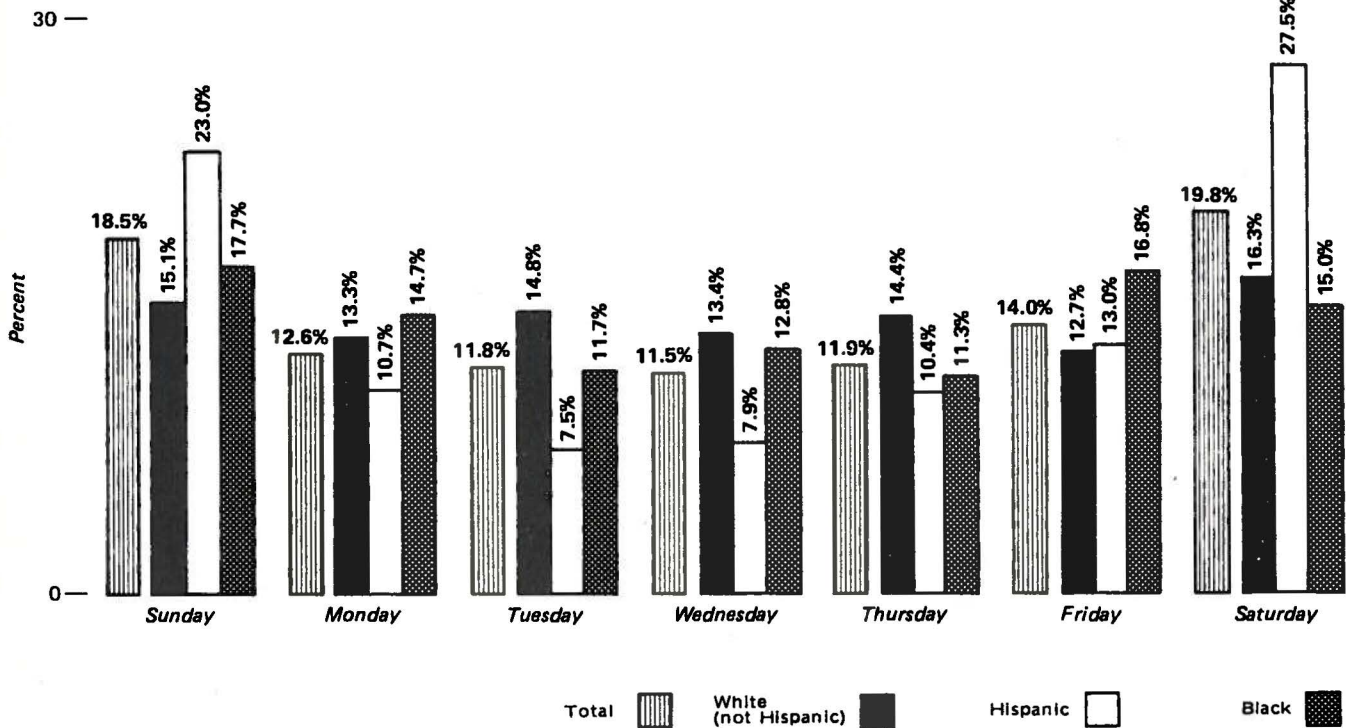


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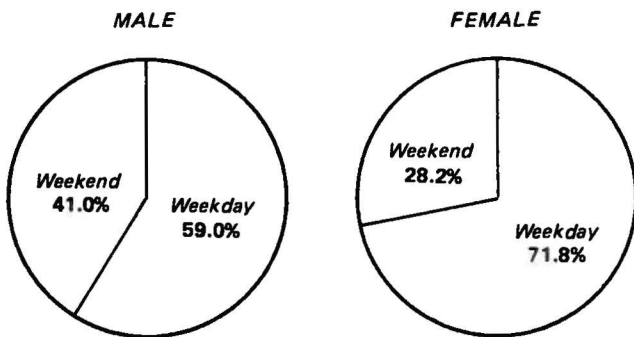


**CHART 13**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Day of Incident by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 31.

**CHART 14**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Day of Incident by Sex of Victim



Source: Table 31.

When 1983 willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known day of incident and race/ethnic group of victim, it was found that:

- Most willful homicides occurred on Saturday and Sunday (19.8 and 18.5 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more Hispanic victims than white (not Hispanic) or black victims were killed on Saturday and Sunday combined (50.5 versus 31.4 and 32.7 percent, respectively).

When known day of incident was analyzed by sex of victim, it was found that:

- Females were more likely than males to have been killed on weekdays (71.8 versus 59.0 percent), while males were more likely than females to have been killed on weekends (41.0 versus 28.2 percent).



**CHART 15**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Location of Homicide

When 1983 willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known location of incident and sex of victim, it was found that:

- 37.7 percent of homicide victims were killed at their places of residence.
- Proportionately, many more female than male homicide victims were killed at their places of residence (61.8 versus 30.8 percent).

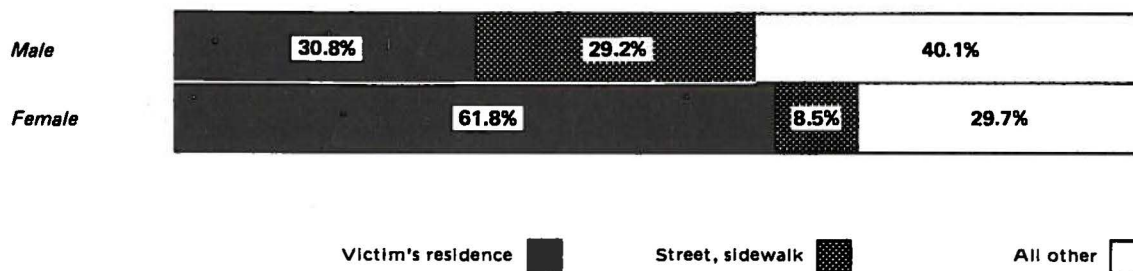
And,

- 24.5 percent of homicides occurred on streets or sidewalks.
- Proportionately, many more male than female homicide victims were killed on streets or sidewalks (29.2 versus 8.5 percent).



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 33.

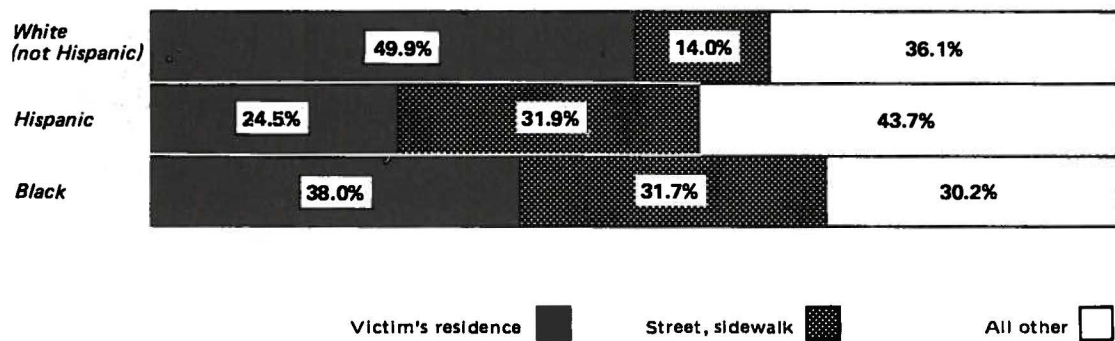
**CHART 16**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Location of Homicide by Sex of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 33.



CHART 17  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983  
Known Location of Homicide by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

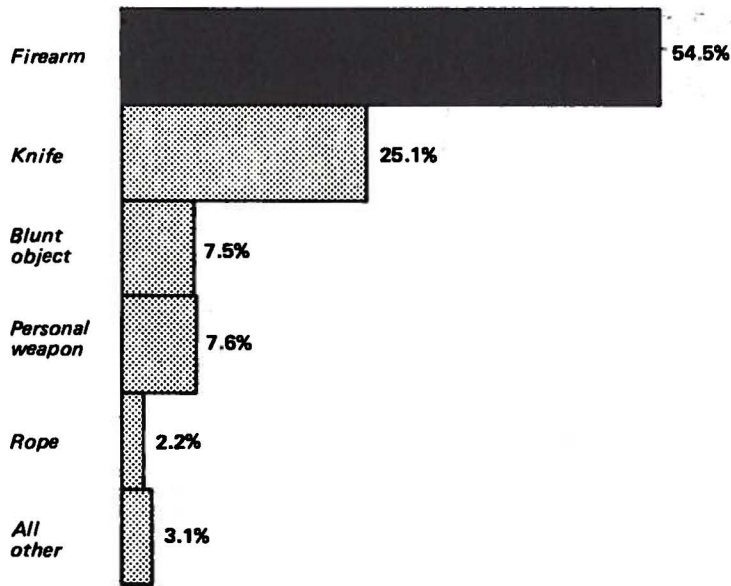


Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 34.

When willful homicide crimes were analyzed by race/ethnic group of victim and known location of incident, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more white (not Hispanic) than Hispanic or black victims were killed at their places of residence (49.9 versus 24.5 and 38.0 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, fewer white (not Hispanic) than Hispanic or black victims were killed on streets or sidewalks (14.0 versus 31.9 and 31.7 percent, respectively).

**CHART 18**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Type of Weapon



Source: Table 36.

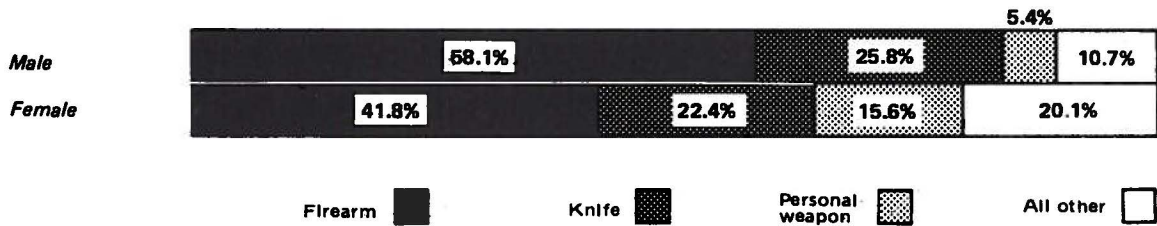
When 1983 willful homicides were analyzed by known type of weapon used, it was found that:

- 54.5 percent resulted from the use of firearms
- 25.1 percent resulted from the use of knives.
- 7.5 percent resulted from the use of blunt objects.
- 7.6 percent resulted from the use of personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.).
- 2.2 percent resulted from the use of ropes.
- 3.1 percent resulted from the use of weapons grouped in the "all other" category.





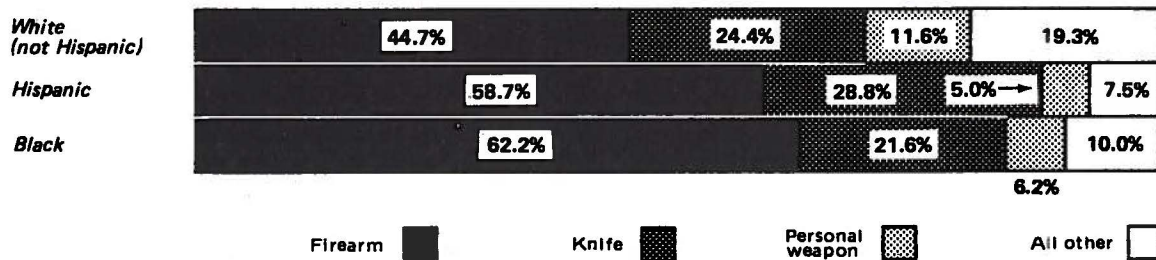
**CHART 19**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Type of Weapon by Sex of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 37.

**CHART 20**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Type of Weapon by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

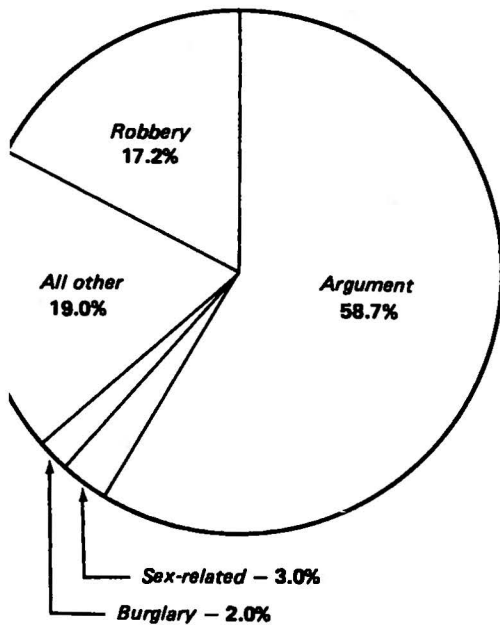


Source: Table 38.

When known type of weapon used was analyzed by sex and race/ethnic group of the homicide victim, it was found that:

- Regardless of sex or race/ethnic group, the victim was most likely to have been killed by a firearm.
- The proportion of males killed by firearms was greater than that of females (58.1 versus 41.8 percent).
- The proportion of females killed by personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) was much greater than that of males (15.6 versus 5.4 percent).
- Proportionately, more white (not Hispanic) victims were killed by personal weapons than were Hispanics or blacks (11.6 versus 5.0 and 6.2 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more Hispanic and black victims were killed by firearms than were white (not Hispanic) victims (58.7 and 62.2 versus 44.7 percent, respectively).

**CHART 21**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
Known Contributing Circumstance



e: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

ce: Table 40.

When 1983 willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known contributing circumstance, it was found that:

58.7 percent were associated with arguments.

17.2 percent were associated with robbery.

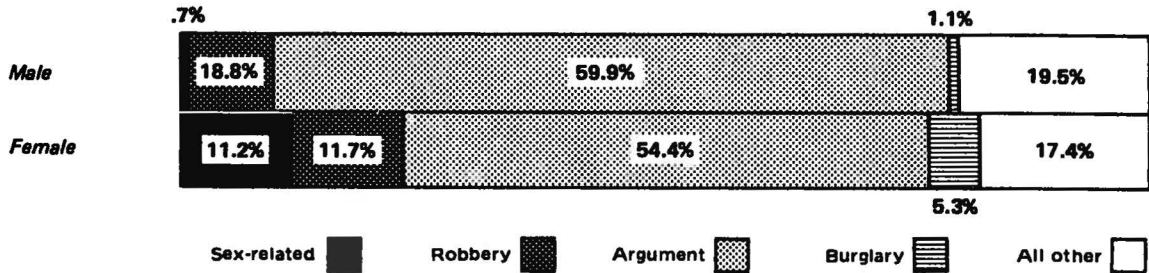
2.0 percent were associated with burglary.

3.0 percent were sex-related.

19.0 percent were associated with "all other" contributing circumstances.



CHART 22  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983  
Known Contributing Circumstance by Sex of Victim



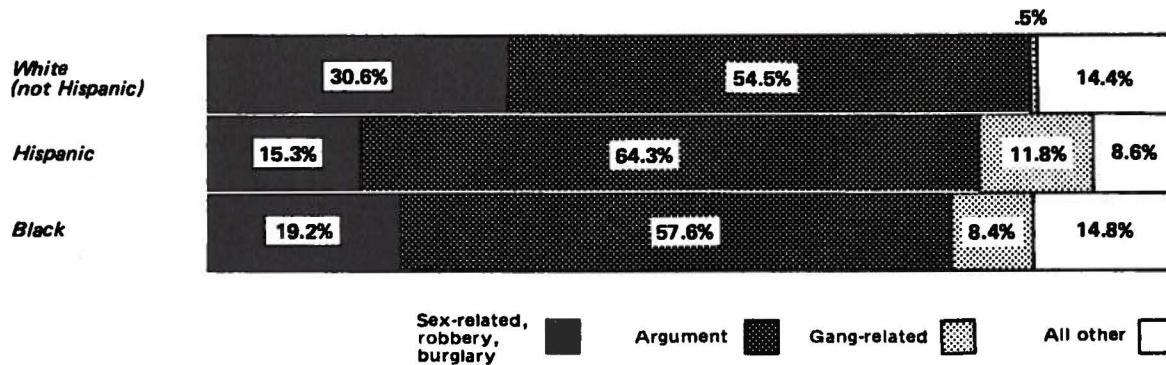
Source: Table 40.

When willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known contributing circumstance and sex of victim, it was found that:

- Males were more likely than females to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was the crime of robbery (18.8 versus 11.7 percent).
- Females were much more likely than males to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was the crime of burglary (5.3 versus 1.1 percent).
- Females were much more likely than males to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was a sex-related crime (11.2 versus .7 percent).



**CHART 23**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Contributing Circumstance by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



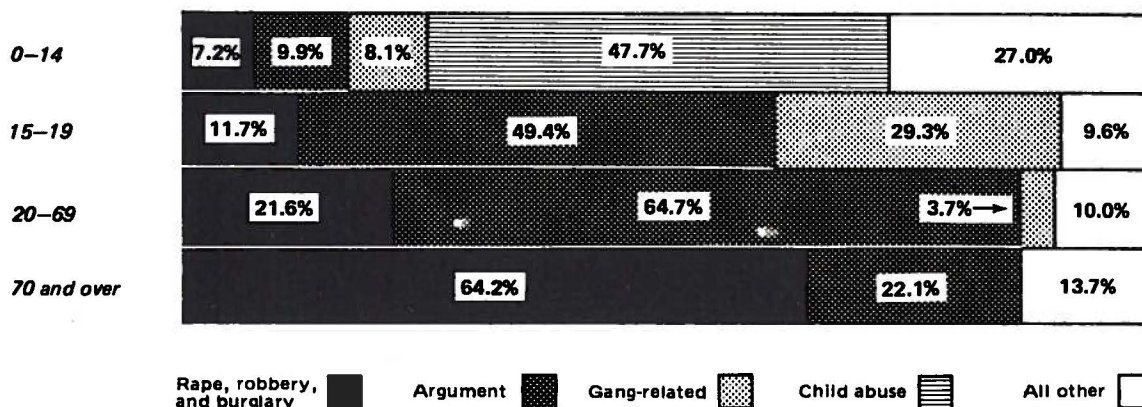
Source: Table 41.

When willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known contributing circumstance and race/ethnic group of the victim, it was found that:

- For each race/ethnic group shown, the circumstance which most contributed to homicides was an argument.
- White (not Hispanic) victims were much more likely than either Hispanics or blacks to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was either a robbery, burglary, or sex-related crime (30.6 versus 15.3 and 19.2 percent, respectively).
- Whites (not Hispanic) were less likely than either Hispanics or blacks to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was gang-related (.5 versus 11.8 and 8.4 percent, respectively).



CHART 24  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983  
Known Contributing Circumstance by Known Age of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 43.

When willful homicide crimes were analyzed by known contributing circumstance and known age of victim, it was found that:

- Of the 111 victims 0-14 years of age, 47.7 percent of the homicides were the results of child abuse. This finding was even more pronounced for the 0-4 year age group in which 70.0 percent of the deaths resulted from child abuse (Table 44.)
- Of the 239 victims in the 15-19 year age group, 29.3 percent of the homicides resulted from gang-related circumstances.
- Of the 1,867 victims in the 20-69 year age group 64.7 percent of the homicides resulted from arguments.
- Of the 95 victims 70 years of age and older, the contributing circumstance was rape, robbery, or burglary in 64.2 percent of the homicides (5.3, 42.1, and 16.8 percent, respectively).



## ARRESTS FOR MURDER

This section of the report is concerned with arrests for murder in 1983. Murder is defined as the unlawful killing of a human being with malice aforethought.

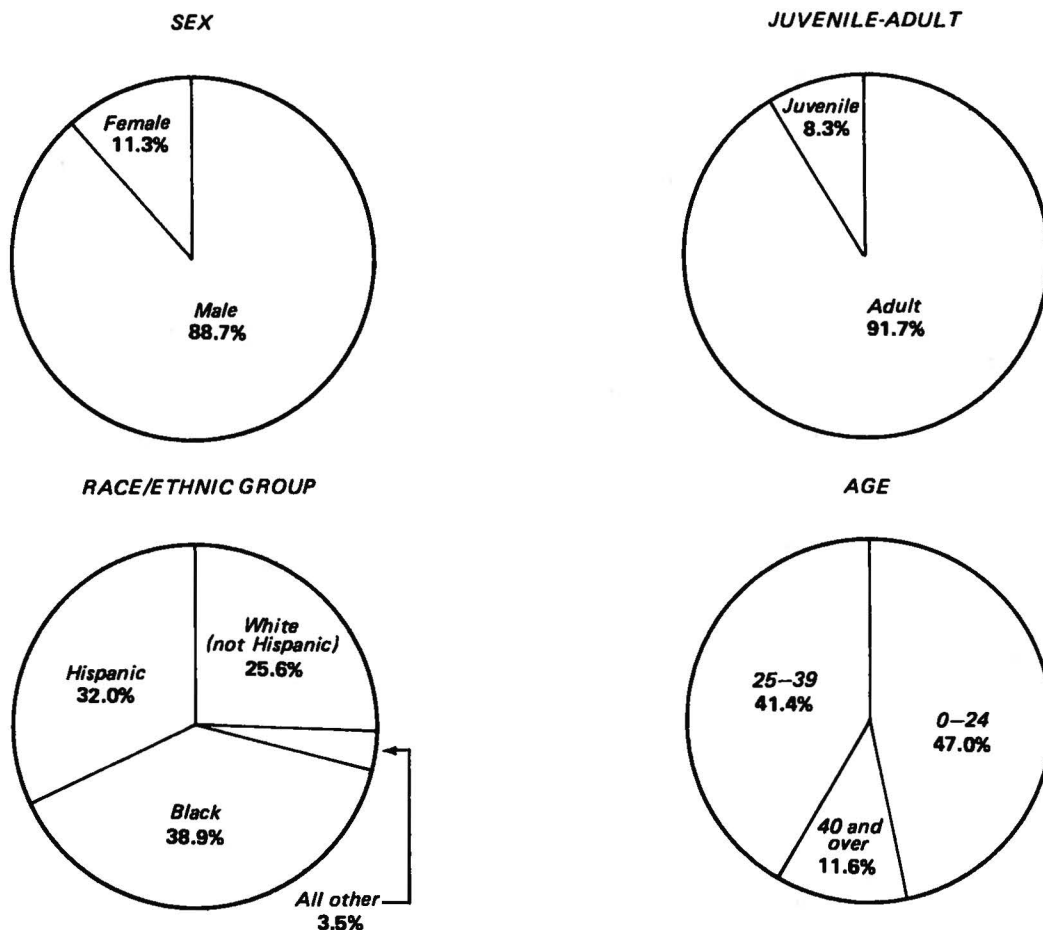
Data pertaining to reported arrests for murder were obtained from the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register (Arrest Register). The Arrest Register contains information on all arrests made in 1983, as reported to BCS by California law enforcement agencies.

Data which follow pertain to personal characteristics (sex, race/ethnic group, and age) of those arrested for murder in 1983, and to the manner in which these characteristics relate to one another; for example, the distribution of age of arrestee as a function of race.





**CHART 25**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
Sex, Juvenile-Adult, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee



Source: Tables 46, 47, 48, and 49.

Analysis of the characteristics of 3,397 arrestees for murder in 1983 showed that:

- 88.7 percent were male.
- 11.3 percent were female.

And,

- 91.7 percent were adult.
- 8.3 percent were juvenile.

And,

- 25.6 percent were white (not Hispanic).
- 32.0 percent were Hispanic.

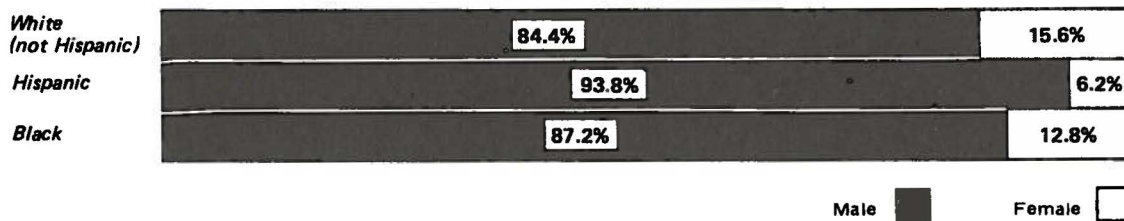
- 38.9 percent were black.
- 3.5 percent were of "all other" race/ethnic groups.

And,

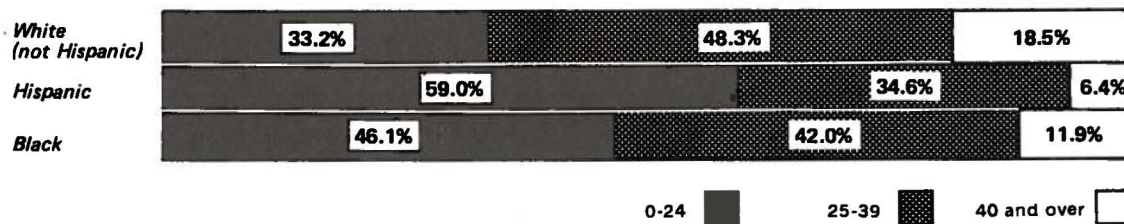
- 47.0 percent were 24 years of age or younger.
- 41.4 percent were 25–39 years of age.
- 11.6 percent were 40 years of age or older.

**CHART 26**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
 Sex and Age Groups by Race/Ethnic Group

**SEX OF ARRESTEE BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP**



**AGE OF ARRESTEE BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP**



*Chart 26 is continued on the next page.*

When sex of arrestees for murder in 1983 was analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- The ratio of male to female arrestees was much greater for Hispanic than for either white (not Hispanic) or black arrestees (15 to 1 versus 5 to 1 and 7 to 1, respectively).

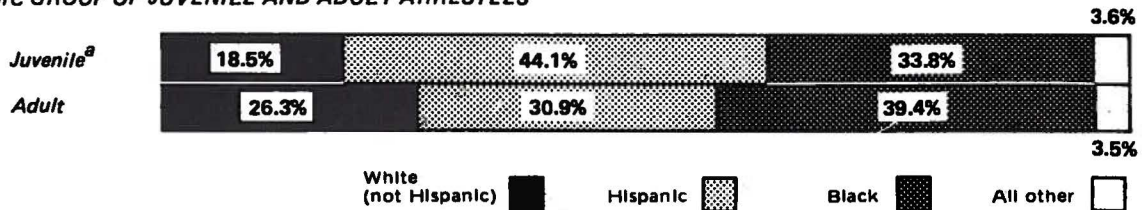
When age of arrestees for murder was analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- Proportionately, fewer white (not Hispanic) arrestees were under 25 years of age than were Hispanic or black arrestees (33.2 versus 59.0 and 46.1 percent, respectively).
- Conversely, proportionately more white (not Hispanic) arrestees were 25 years of age or older than were Hispanic or black arrestees (66.8 versus 41.0 and 53.9 percent, respectively).



CHART 26 – Continued  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983  
Sex and Age Groups by Race/Ethnic Group

**RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF JUVENILE AND ADULT ARRESTEES**



<sup>a</sup>A person under 18 years of age.

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 46, 48, and 49.

When juvenile and adult arrestees for murder were analyzed by race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- The proportion of Hispanic juvenile arrestees was greater than the proportion of Hispanic adult arrestees (44.1 versus 30.9 percent).
- Conversely, the proportion of white (not Hispanic) and black arrestees was less for juveniles than for adults (18.5 and 33.8 versus 26.3 and 39.4 percent, respectively).





## DISPOSITIONS OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER

This section of the report describes the dispositions made during 1983 of adults arrested for murder, regardless of the year of arrest. Data were obtained from the Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system.

OBTS system data are compiled from information collected on the JUS8715 Disposition of Arrest and Court Action form. It is estimated that JUS 8715 forms were received for about 70 percent of all adult felony arrests which received a final disposition in 1983. Despite underreporting, it is believed that these dispositions are generally descriptive of those adult felony arrestees processed through the criminal justice system.

There were 34 persons sentenced to death in 1983. They were included in the "prison" category when type of sentence was related to convicted offense. Specific information pertaining to these persons was also obtained from the OBTS system and is presented in the Death Penalty Section on page 34.

Analysis of OBTS information involves:

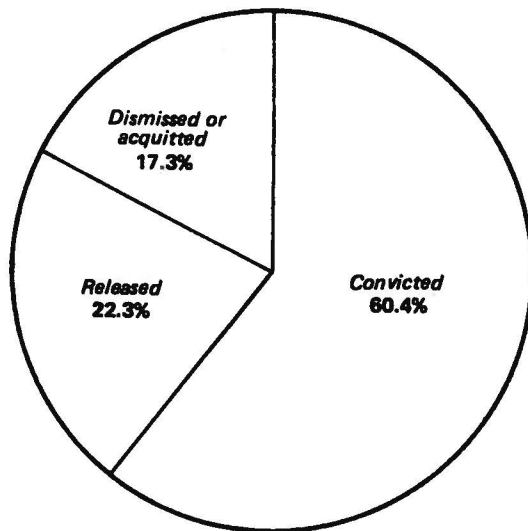
- The relationship between type of disposition (release, dismissal or acquittal, and conviction) and the personal characteristics of the arrestee.
- The relationship between type of disposition (dismissal or acquittal, and conviction) and the personal characteristics of those arrestees against whom complaints were granted.
- The relationship between convicted offense (murder and "other" offenses, such as manslaughter, felony assault, and robbery) and the personal characteristics of the convicted arrestee.
- The relationship between type of sentence received and the convicted offense of the arrestee.

The analysis of race/ethnic data (particularly for Hispanics) must be considered in light of the subjectivity of the labeling process.



**CHART 27**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS**  
**ARRESTED FOR MURDER**

**A. Type of Disposition**



Source: Table 51.

Analysis of 1983 dispositions of adults arrested for murder showed that:

- 22.3 percent were released by the police or had complaints against them denied.
- 17.3 percent were dismissed or acquitted.
- 60.4 percent were convicted.

When these dispositions were analyzed by sex, race/ethnic group, and age, it was found that:

- Relatively more males than females were convicted (62.0 versus 47.1 percent).
- Proportionately, more females than males were released and dismissed or acquitted (53.0 versus 37.9 percent).
- Relatively more whites (not Hispanic) than Hispanics or blacks were convicted (67.1 versus 56.9 and 57.2 percent, respectively).

**B. Type of Disposition by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee**

**SEX**

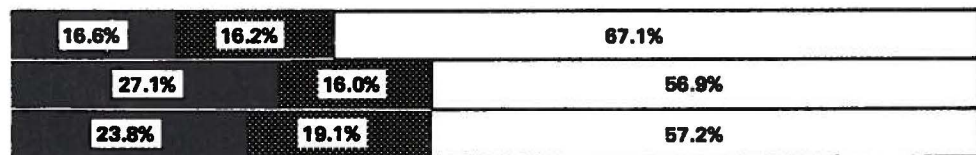
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*Female*

**RACE/ETHNIC GROUP**

*White (not Hispanic)*

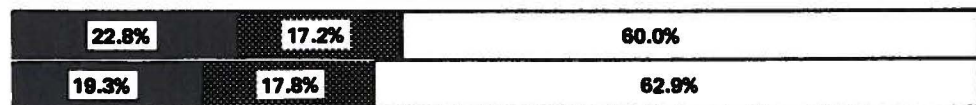


*Hispanic*

*Black*

**AGE**

*Under 40*



*40 and over*

Released ■ Dismissed or acquitted ■ Convicted □

Source: Table 51.

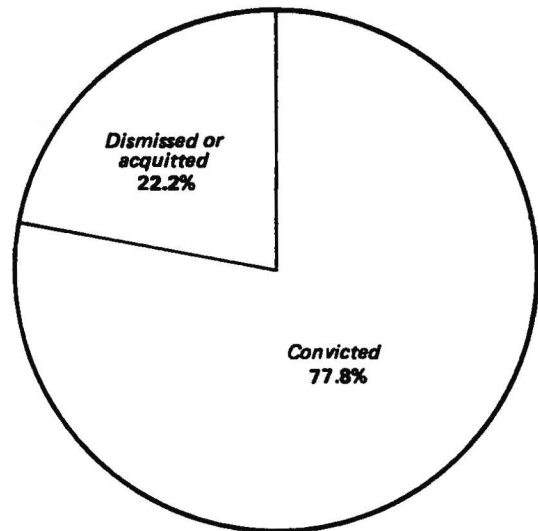
**CHART 28**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS**  
**ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND**  
**COMPLAINTS GRANTED**  
**A. Type of Disposition**

Analysis of 1983 dispositions of adults arrested for murder in which complaints had been granted showed that:

- 22.2 percent were dismissed or acquitted.
- 77.8 percent were convicted.

When these dispositions were analyzed by sex and race/ethnic group, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more males than females were convicted (79.2 versus 65.4 percent).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) were convicted than were Hispanics or blacks (80.5 versus 78.0 and 75.0 percent, respectively).



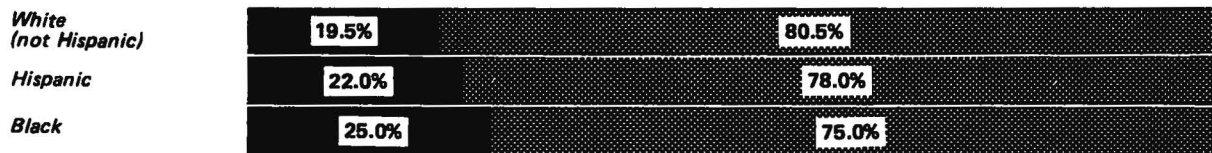
Source: Table 52.

**B. Type of Disposition by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee**

**SEX**



**RACE/ETHNIC GROUP**



**AGE**



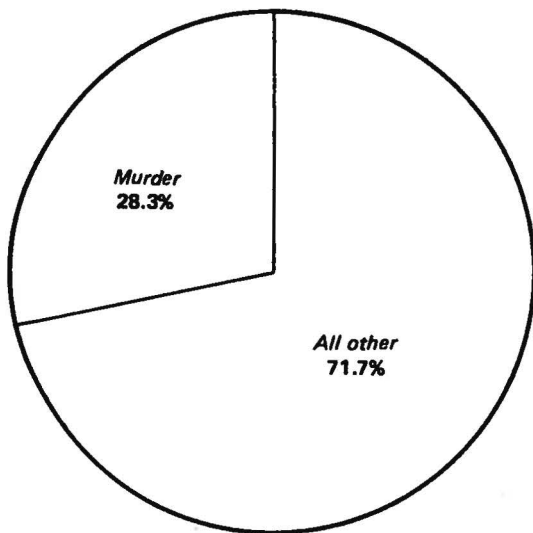
Dismissed or acquitted ■ Convicted ■

Source: Table 52.





**CHART 29**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS**  
**ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**A. Convicted Offense**



Source: Table 56.

Of those adults arrested for murder who were convicted in 1983, it was found that:

- 28.3 percent were convicted of murder.
- 71.7 percent were convicted of lesser crimes, such as manslaughter, felony assault, and robbery.

When these dispositions were analyzed by sex, race/ethnic group, and age, it was found that:

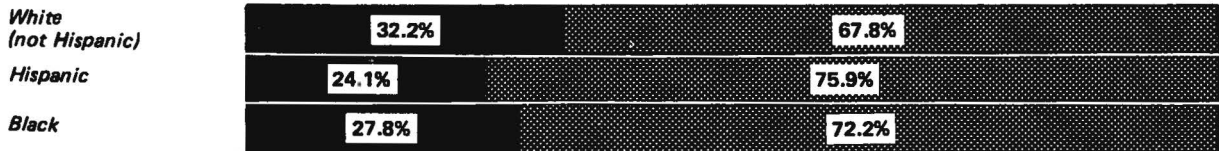
- Considerably more males than females were convicted of murder (29.5 versus 14.8 percent).
- More whites (not Hispanic) were convicted of murder than either Hispanics or blacks (32.2 versus 24.1 and 27.8 percent, respectively).
- Convictions for murder varied inversely with age. Of those in the youngest age group (under 20 years of age), 35.7 percent were convicted of murder and of those in the oldest age group (40 years of age and over), 20.9 percent were convicted of murder.

**B. Convicted Offense by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee**

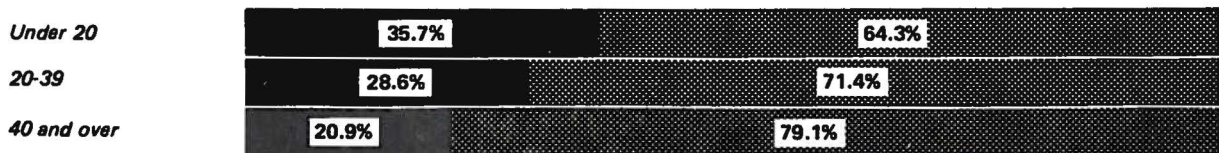
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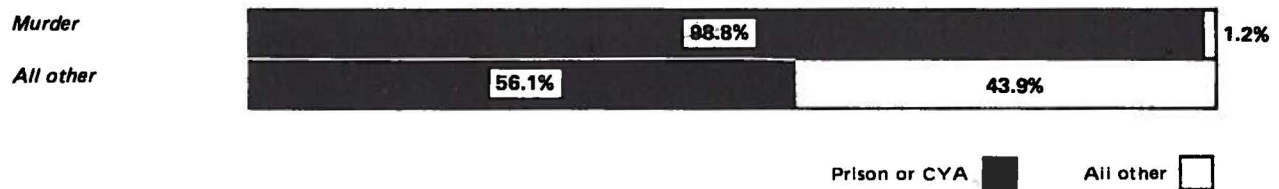
**AGE**



Murder ■ All other ■

Source: Table 56.

**CHART 30**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Type of Sentence Received by Convicted Offense**



Source: Table 61.

Analysis of type of sentence received by adults arrested for murder and convicted in 1983 showed that:

- Proportionately, more of those convicted of murder were sentenced to prison or to the Youth Authority than were those convicted of lesser offenses (98.8 versus 56.1 percent).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Prison includes 34 death penalty cases reported via the OBTS system. See page 34 for additional information on death penalty cases.



## DEATH PENALTY CASES

This section presents information on those persons sentenced to death in California superior courts in 1983. Death penalty cases were extracted from the 1983 Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system.

The death penalty in California was ruled unconstitutional by the California Supreme Court in February 1972. This was followed by a public vote and the reinstatement of the death penalty in January 1974. The death penalty was subsequently declared unconstitutional by the California Supreme Court in December 1976 and by virtue of a veto override in August 1977, new legislation was adopted that reinstated the death penalty in California.

By public vote on November 7, 1978, additional criteria were added to the circumstances by which a person could be sentenced to death. The criteria currently specified by Penal Code Section 190.2 are as follows:

1. Intentional murder for financial gain.
2. Previously convicted of murder in the first or second degree.
3. Multiple convictions for first or second degree murder.
4. Murder perpetrated by means of destructive device, bomb, or explosive.
5. Murder to prevent arrest or to effect escape from custody.
6. Murder of a peace officer or fireman engaged in the performance of his/her duties.
7. Murder of a witness to prevent testimony or in retaliation for testimony given.
8. Murder of an elected or appointed official, judge, or prosecutor in retaliation for performance of his/her official duties.
9. Murder by ambush.
10. Murder because of the victim's race, color, religion, nationality, or country of origin.
11. Murder involving torture.
12. Murder by poison.
13. Murder during the commission of: a) robbery, b) kidnapping, c) rape, d) lewd or lascivious act upon a child under the age of 14, e) oral copulation or sodomy in violation of Penal Code Sections 286 and 288a, f) burglary, g) arson, and h) train wrecking.

California Supreme Court decisions in 1983 and 1984 have affected the special circumstances pertaining to murder during the commission of another crime. The issue is complex and the effect on current death row inmates is not clear.



# DEATH PENALTY CASES

TABLE 2  
DEFENDANTS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 1983  
Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age Distributed by Sentencing County

County	Total	Sex		Race/ethnic group				Age at disposition					
		Male	Female	White (not Hispanic)	Hispanic	Black	All other	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over
TOTAL	34	34	0	18	5	10	1	0	10	4	12	5	3
Alameda	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Contra Costa	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
El Dorado	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fresno	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Humboldt	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	7	7	0	2	2	3	0	0	1	1	2	2	1
Orange	4	4	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	0
Riverside	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sacramento	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
San Bernardino	3	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
San Diego	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
San Francisco	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
San Mateo	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Santa Barbara	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Solano	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Stanislaus	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tulare	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tuolumne	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ventura	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

Source: California Department of Corrections and the 1983 Disposition of Adult Felony Arrests (OBTS) file, Bureau of Criminal Statistics, California Department of Justice.

During 1983, 34 persons convicted of first degree murder were sentenced to death. The sex, race/ethnic group, age, and sentencing county of those sentenced to death are presented in Table 2.

Of the 34 defendants sentenced to death in 1983:

- All were male.
- 18 were white (not Hispanic).
- 5 were Hispanic.
- 10 were black.
- 1 was of another race/ethnic group.

- The median age was 30.7 years.

And,

- Los Angeles County sentenced the largest number (7).

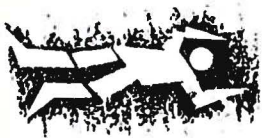


TABLE 3  
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED  
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1974-1983

Year	Peace officers killed
TOTAL . . . . .	95
Total . . . . .	42
1983 . . . . .	9
1982 . . . . .	6
1981 . . . . .	8
1980 . . . . .	7
1979 . . . . .	12
Total . . . . .	53
1978 . . . . .	12
1977 . . . . .	13
1976 . . . . .	6
1975 . . . . .	12
1974 . . . . .	10

### PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

A topic of special interest is that of peace officers killed in the line of duty. Data pertaining to peace officers were obtained from the Automated Homicide File.

From 1974-1983, 95 peace officers were killed in the line of duty. Analysis of the data in Table 3 showed that:

- The average annual number of peace officers killed was 9.5. In 1983, the number was 9.
- The number of peace officers killed in the past five years (1979-1983) was 20.8 percent less than that of the previous five years (42 versus 53).

# PEACE OFFICERS KILLED

**TABLE 4**  
**PEACE OFFICERS KILLED**  
**IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1983**  
 Sex, and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	8	8	0
Hispanic . . . . .	0	0	0
Black . . . . .	0	0	0
All other . . . . .	1	1	0

**TABLE 5**  
**PEACE OFFICERS KILLED**  
**IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1983**  
 Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>9</b>
Handgun . . . . .	6
Offender's . . . . .	5
Officer's . . . . .	1
Rifle . . . . .	1
Offender's . . . . .	1
Officer's . . . . .	0
Shotgun . . . . .	1
Offender's . . . . .	0
Officer's . . . . .	1
Other . . . . .	1

In 1983, all nine of the peace officers killed in the line of duty were male.

With respect to type of weapon used to kill peace officers in 1983:

- Eight peace officers were killed by firearms — six by handguns, one by a rifle, and one by a shotgun.





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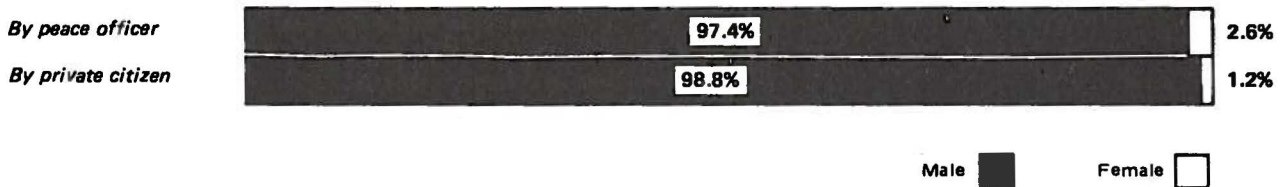
## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

A justifiable homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as the killing of a felon by a private citizen or a peace officer during the commission of a felony. Justifiable homicides are sometimes referred to as excusable or noncriminal homicides. The California Penal Code defines killing in self-defense as justifiable homicide, whereas the national UCR Program does not. Therefore, for the most part, self-defense cases are treated as willful rather than justifiable homicides.

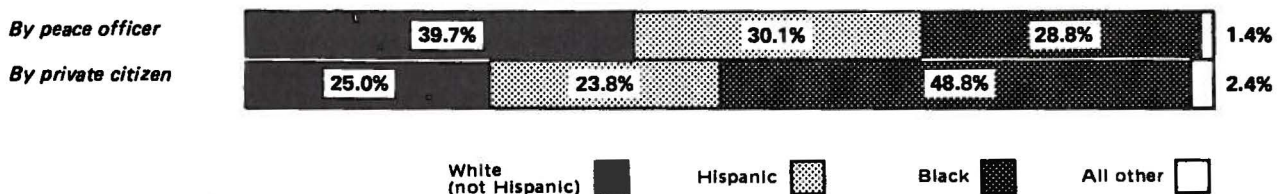
# JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

CHART 31  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS  
AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983  
Sex, Known Race/Ethnic Group, and Known Age of Deceased

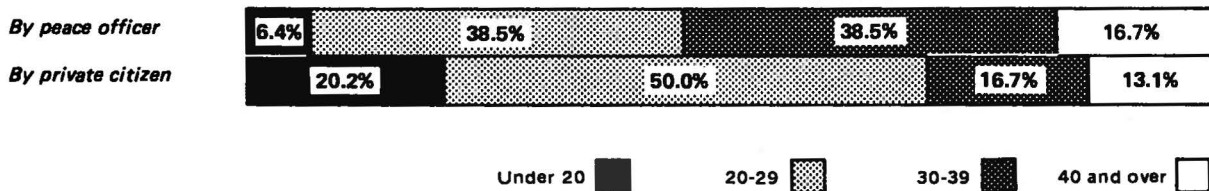
## SEX



## RACE/ETHNIC GROUP



## AGE



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 65 and 69.

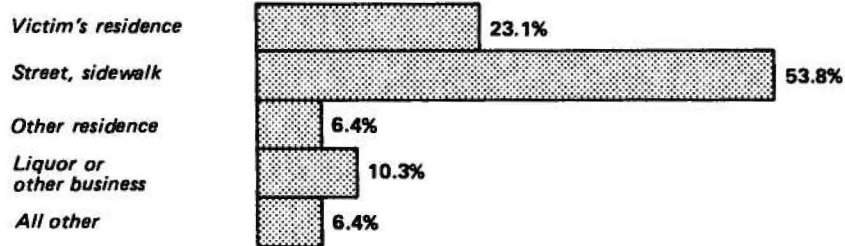
In 1983, when justifiable homicides committed by peace officers and by private citizens were analyzed by sex, known race/ethnic group, and known age, it was found that:

- Most felons killed by peace officers and private citizens were male (97.4 and 98.8 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more felons killed by peace officers were white (not Hispanic) than were felons killed by private citizens (39.7 versus 25.0 percent).
- Proportionately, fewer felons killed by peace officers were black than were felons killed by private citizens (28.8 versus 48.8 percent).
- Most felons killed by peace officers were 20–29 and 30–39 years of age (38.5 percent each).
- Most felons killed by private citizens were 20–29 years of age (50.0 percent).

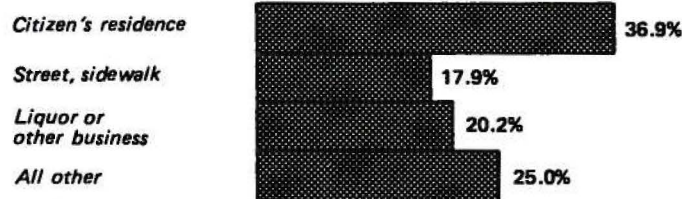


CHART 32  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS AND  
PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983  
Known Location of Homicide

BY PEACE OFFICER



BY PRIVATE CITIZEN



Source: Tables 66 and 70.

In 1983, when justifiable homicides were analyzed by known location, it was found that:

- The location where felons were most frequently killed by peace officers was a street or sidewalk (53.8 percent).
- The location where felons were most frequently killed by private citizens was the citizen's residence (36.9 percent).

TABLE 6  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS  
AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983  
Percent Distribution of Type of Weapon

	Total	Type of weapon					
		Hand-gun	Rifle	Shot-gun	Firearm-unknown	Knife	Other
Peace officers							
Number . . .	78	55	4	17	0	0	2
Percent . . .	100.0	70.5	5.1	21.8	.0	.0	2.6
Private citizens							
Number . . .	84	57	6	9	1	9	2
Percent . . .	100.0	67.9	7.1	10.7	1.2	10.7	2.4

Source: Tables 67 and 71.

In 1983, analysis of type of weapon used in justifiable homicides by peace officers and private citizens showed that:

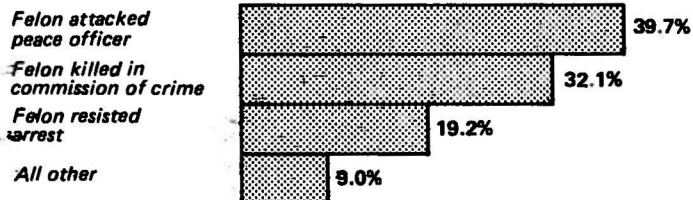
- Felons were most frequently killed by handguns, both by peace officers and private citizens (70.5 and 67.9 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, shotguns were used more frequently in the killing of felons by peace officers than by private citizens (21.8 versus 10.7 percent).
- Knives were used in 10.7 percent of the killing of felons by private citizens.



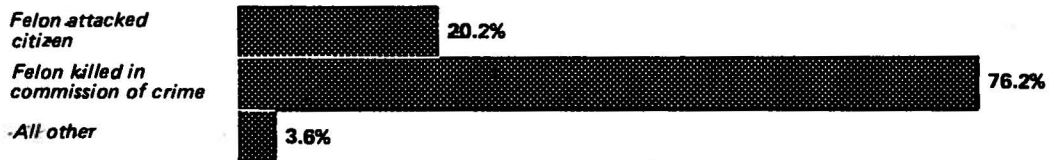
# JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

CHART 33  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS  
AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983  
Known Contributing Circumstance

## BY PEACE OFFICER



## BY PRIVATE CITIZEN



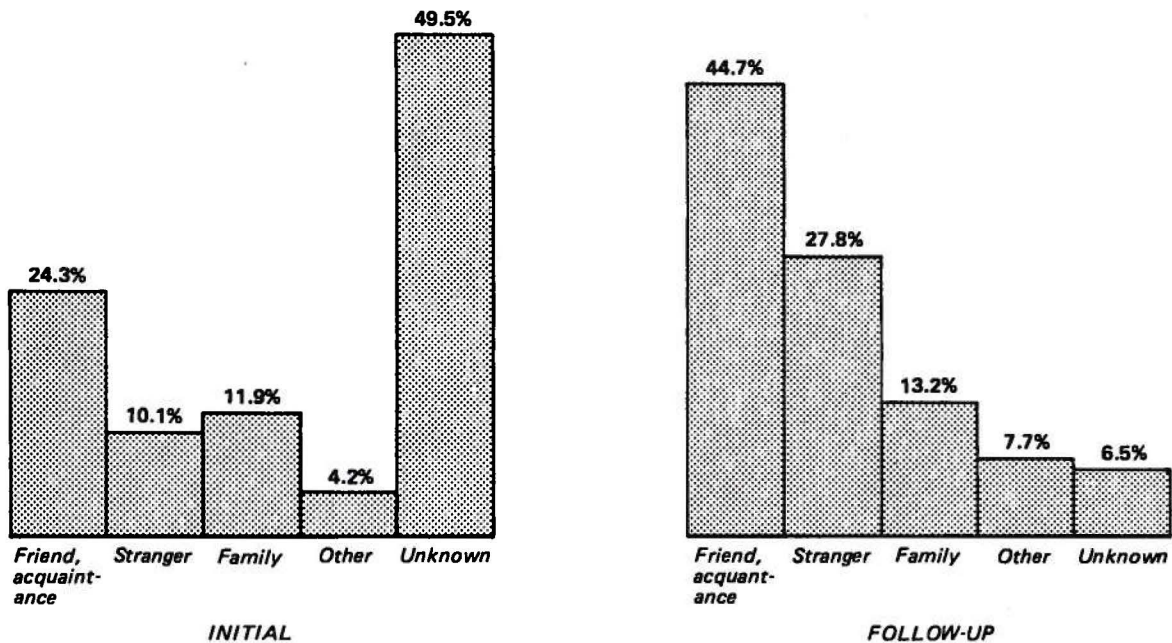
Source: Tables 68 and 72.

- For justifiable homicides by peace officers in 1983, the most frequent contributing circumstance was the attacking of a peace officer by a felon (39.7 percent).
- For justifiable homicides by private citizens in 1983, the most frequent contributing circumstance was that of the felony being killed in the commission of a crime (76.2 percent).



## FOLLOW-UP STUDY

CHART 34  
RELATIONSHIP OF VICTIM TO OFFENDER IN HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1980-1982  
Initial vs Follow-Up



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 73.

### FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF UNKNOWNNS

Prior publications have used data from homicide files known to contain an extremely large number of "unknowns" in certain categories. This was due to certain key elements not being available at the required time of statistical reporting. Some facts of the case are not established until exhaustive investigations have been completed. For example, the relationship of the victim to the offender often remains unknown for some time, especially if the offender is a complete stranger.

It has been theorized that if the "unknowns" were known, some shifts might occur in the data distribution. To test the theory, a project was carried out to follow up on 1980, 1981, and 1982 homicide cases and identify data elements previously unavailable.

The results of this follow-up study revealed that:

- The friend/acquaintance category remained the most frequent relationship of victim to offender (24.3 to 44.7 percent).
- The stranger category increased dramatically from 10.1 to 27.8 percent.
- Unknown relationship data dropped from 49.5 to 6.5 percent.

Similar information is presented in *BCS Outlook - Homicide in California, 1983*.

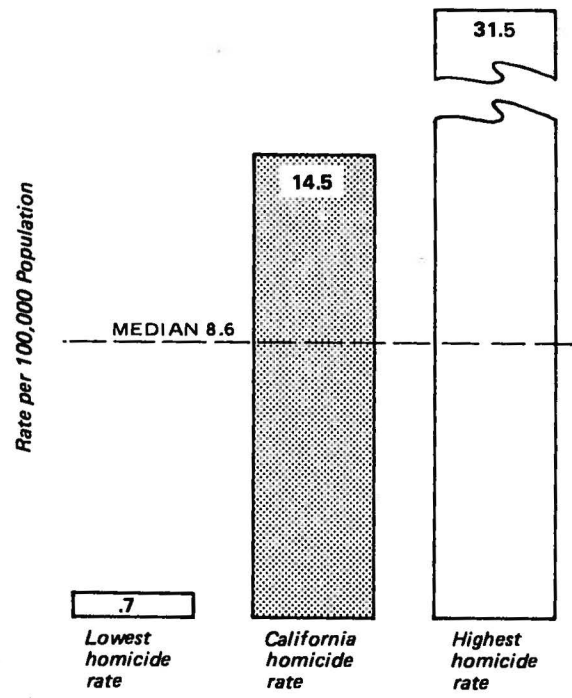


# NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDE DATA

CHART 35

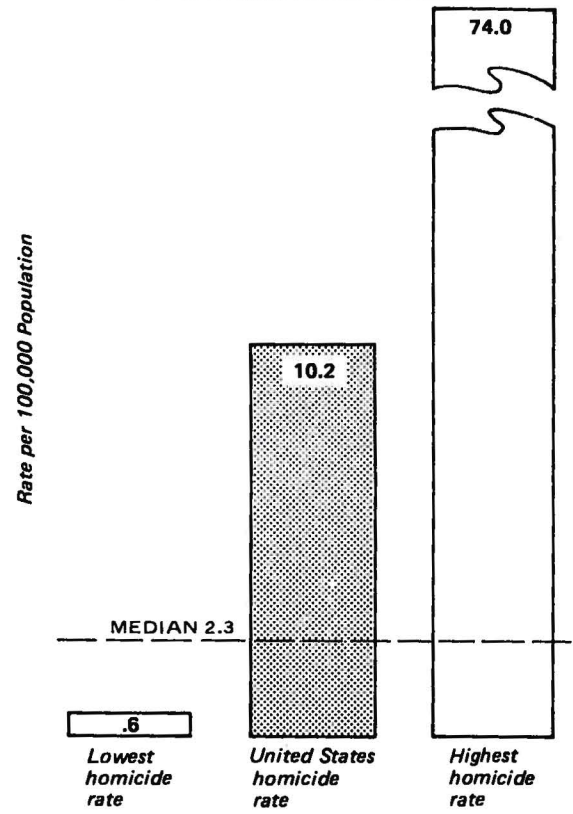
## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDE RATES, 1980

A. NATIONAL HOMICIDE RATES



Source: Tables 75 and 76.

B. INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDE RATES



### NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDE DATA

The most recent international homicide data available were provided by the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) in their 1979–1980 publication. The 1980 national data were extracted from the FBI's publication, *Crime in the United States, 1980*. Both sources note that care should be exercised when using the data. Realizing that many limitations do exist (see notes on Tables 75 and 76), it is still interesting to note that in 1980:

Nationally,

- The median homicide rate was 8.6.
- The homicide rates ranged from South Dakota with .7 to the District of Columbia with 31.5. The national homicide rate was 10.2.
- California reported a homicide rate of 14.5.

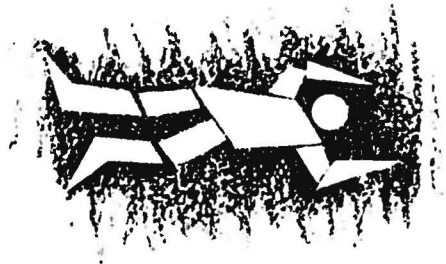
Internationally,

- The median homicide rate was 2.3.
- The largest homicide rate among the reporting countries was 74.0 from Lesotho (a country in Southeast Africa), followed by Lebanon with an 18.5 rate. The lowest rate was reported by Ireland (.6).
- The homicide rate for the United States was 10.2.





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**TABLE 7**  
**VIOLENT CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year	Population	Violent crimes									
		Total		Willful homicide		Forcible rape		Robbery		Aggravated assault	
		Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
1983 . . . . .	25,174,000	194,489	772.6	2,640	10.5	12,092	48.0	85,824	340.9	93,933	373.1
1982 . . . . .	24,724,000	201,433	814.7	2,778	11.2	12,529	50.7	91,988	372.1	94,138	380.8
1981 . . . . .	24,196,000	208,165	860.3	3,140	13.0	13,545	56.0	93,638	387.0	97,842	404.4
1980 . . . . .	23,769,000	209,903	883.1	3,405	14.3	13,661	57.5	90,282	379.8	102,555	431.5
1979 . . . . .	23,255,000	183,704	790.0	2,941	12.6	12,199	52.5	75,649	325.3	92,915	399.5
1978 . . . . .	22,839,000	164,751	721.4	2,601	11.4	11,249	49.3	67,920	297.4	82,981	363.3
1977 . . . . .	22,350,000	152,827	683.8	2,481	11.1	10,715	47.9	62,207	278.3	77,424	346.4
1976 . . . . .	21,935,000	143,507	654.2	2,214	10.1	9,552	43.5	59,132	269.6	72,609	331.0
1975 . . . . .	21,537,000	138,400	642.6	2,196	10.2	8,787	40.8	59,747	277.4	67,670	314.2
1974 . . . . .	21,173,000	127,469	602.0	1,970	9.3	8,480	40.1	52,742	249.1	64,277	303.6
Percent change in rate from:											
1974 to 1983			28.3		12.9		19.7		36.9		22.9
1979 to 1983			-2.2		-16.7		-8.6		4.8		-6.6
1982 to 1983			-5.2		-6.3		-5.3		-8.4		-2.0
Percent change in number from:											
1974 to 1983		52.6		34.0		42.6		62.7		46.1	
1979 to 1983		5.9		-10.2		-9		13.4		1.1	
1982 to 1983		-3.4		-5.0		-3.5		-6.7		-2	

Note: California population estimates are compiled by the Population Research Unit of the California Department of Finance. In order to provide the most current data, the Department of Finance periodically revises the population estimates.  
 Source: *Criminal Justice Profile - 1983, Statewide*, published by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics, California Department of Justice.

**TABLE 8**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Sex of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female
<b>TOTAL</b>			
Number . . . . .	2,640	2,053	587
Percent . . . . .	100.0	77.8	22.2
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>			
Number . . . . .	968	639	329
Percent . . . . .	100.0	66.0	34.0
<b>Hispanic</b>			
Number . . . . .	819	726	93
Percent . . . . .	100.0	88.6	11.4
<b>Black</b>			
Number . . . . .	723	594	129
Percent . . . . .	100.0	82.2	17.8
<b>All other</b>			
Number . . . . .	108	75	33
Percent . . . . .	100.0	69.4	30.6
<b>Unknown</b>			
Number . . . . .	22	19	3
Percent . . . . .	100.0	—	—

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Table 22.



**TABLE 9**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Distribution of Victims by Sex

	1974			1975			1976			1977			1978		
	Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female
<b>TOTAL</b>															
Number . . .	1,970	1,457	513	2,196	1,616	580	2,214	1,648	566	2,481	1,835	646	2,601	2,027	574
Percent . . .	100.0	74.0	26.0	100.0	73.6	26.4	100.0	74.4	25.6	100.0	74.0	26.0	100.0	77.9	22.1
	1979			1980			1981			1982			1983		
	Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female
<b>TOTAL</b>															
Number . . .	2,941	2,341	600	3,405	2,709	696	3,140	2,472	668	2,778	2,133	645	2,640	2,053	587
Percent . . .	100.0	79.6	20.4	100.0	79.6	20.4	100.0	78.7	21.3	100.0	76.8	23.2	100.0	77.8	22.2

Source: Tables 13 through 22.

**TABLE 10**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Distribution of Victims by Known Race/Ethnic Group

Race/ethnic group of victim	1974		1975		1976		1977		1978	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	1,967	100.0	2,185	100.0	2,185	100.0	2,469	100.0	2,584	100.0
White (not Hispanic) . . .	936	47.6	1,053	48.2	1,055	48.3	1,184	48.0	1,154	44.7
Hispanic . . . . .	325	16.5	405	18.5	446	20.4	482	19.5	649	25.1
Black . . . . .	633	32.2	660	30.2	628	28.7	723	29.3	695	26.9
All other . . . . .	73	3.7	67	3.1	56	2.6	80	3.2	86	3.3
Race/ethnic group of victim	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	2,920	100.0	3,388	100.0	3,127	100.0	2,766	100.0	2,618	100.0
White (not Hispanic) . . .	1,139	39.0	1,283	37.9	1,143	36.6	999	36.1	968	37.0
Hispanic . . . . .	871	29.8	990	29.2	951	30.4	851	30.8	819	31.3
Black . . . . .	797	27.3	972	28.7	899	28.7	789	28.5	723	27.6
All other . . . . .	113	3.9	143	4.2	134	4.3	127	4.6	108	4.1

Note: This table excludes 3 victims in 1974, 11 victims in 1975, 29 victims in 1976, 12 victims in 1977, 17 victims in 1978, 21 victims in 1979, 17 victims in 1980, 13 victims in 1981, 12 victims in 1982, and 22 victims in 1983 whose race/ethnic group was unknown.  
 Source: Tables 13 through 22.

**TABLE 11**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
Distribution of Victims by Age

Age of victim	1974		1975		1976		1977		1978	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	1,959	100.0	2,175	100.0	2,160	100.0	2,445	100.0	2,530	100.0
0-24 . . . . .	668	34.1	731	33.6	743	34.4	872	35.7	885	35.0
25-39 . . . . .	675	34.5	738	33.9	732	33.9	863	35.3	909	35.9
40 and over . . . . .	616	31.4	706	32.5	685	31.7	710	29.0	736	29.1

Age of victim	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,874	100.0	3,328	100.0	3,079	100.0	2,738	100.0	2,611	100.0
0-24 . . . . .	1,026	35.7	1,185	35.6	1,065	34.6	906	33.1	876	33.6
25-39 . . . . .	1,082	37.6	1,290	38.8	1,189	38.6	1,064	38.9	1,000	38.3
40 and over . . . . .	766	26.7	853	25.6	825	26.8	768	28.0	735	28.2

Notes: This table excludes 11 victims in 1974, 21 victims in 1975, 54 victims in 1976, 36 victims in 1977, 71 victims in 1978, 67 victims in 1979, 77 victims in 1980, 61 victims in 1981, 40 victims in 1982, and 29 victims in 1983 whose age was unknown.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Tables 13 through 22.

**TABLE 12**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
Known Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Age of victim		
		0-24	25-39	40 and over
<b>TOTAL</b>				
Number . . . . .	2,611	876	1,000	735
Percent . . . . .	100.0	33.6	38.3	28.2
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>				
Number . . . . .	964	225	325	414
Percent . . . . .	100.0	23.3	33.7	42.9
<b>Hispanic</b>				
Number . . . . .	811	344	325	142
Percent . . . . .	100.0	42.4	40.1	17.5
<b>Black</b>				
Number . . . . .	720	275	296	149
Percent . . . . .	100.0	38.2	41.1	20.7
<b>All other</b>				
Number . . . . .	108	28	50	30
Percent . . . . .	100.0	25.9	46.3	27.8
<b>Unknown</b>				
Number . . . . .	8	4	4	0
Percent . . . . .	100.0	-	-	-

Notes: This table excludes 29 victims whose age was unknown.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
 Source: Table 22.

TABLE 13  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974  
Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	1,370	100.0	936	100.0	325	100.0	633	100.0	73	100.0	3	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	104	5.3	62	6.6	14	4.3	25	3.9	3	4.1	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	231	11.7	89	9.5	62	19.1	74	11.7	5	6.8	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	333	16.9	143	15.3	69	21.2	112	17.7	9	12.3	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	299	15.2	137	14.6	54	16.6	95	15.0	13	17.8	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	205	10.4	77	8.2	39	12.0	79	12.5	9	12.3	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	171	8.7	65	6.9	26	8.0	71	11.2	9	12.3	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	123	6.2	53	5.7	22	6.8	43	6.8	5	6.8	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	115	5.8	59	6.3	8	2.5	43	6.8	5	6.8	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	129	6.5	71	7.6	10	3.1	45	7.1	3	4.1	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	249	12.6	172	18.4	19	5.8	46	7.3	12	16.4	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	11	.6	8	.9	2	.6	0	.0	0	.0	1	—
Male . . . . .	1,457	100.0	616	100.0	277	100.0	505	100.0	59	100.0	0	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	57	3.9	31	5.0	9	3.2	16	3.2	1	1.7	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	168	11.5	54	8.8	54	19.5	55	10.9	5	8.5	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	258	17.7	100	16.2	63	22.7	88	17.4	7	11.9	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	224	15.4	91	14.8	50	18.0	73	14.5	10	16.9	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	157	10.8	53	8.6	34	12.3	63	12.5	7	11.9	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	123	8.4	40	6.5	17	6.1	58	11.5	8	13.6	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	101	6.9	43	7.0	17	6.1	37	7.3	4	6.8	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	91	6.2	43	7.0	7	2.5	37	7.3	4	6.8	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	100	6.9	54	8.8	8	2.9	35	6.9	3	5.1	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	171	11.7	102	16.6	16	5.8	43	8.5	10	16.9	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	7	.5	5	.8	2	.7	0	.0	0	.0	0	—
Female . . . . .	513	100.0	320	100.0	48	100.0	128	100.0	14	100.0	3	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	47	9.2	31	9.7	5	10.4	9	7.0	2	—	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	63	12.3	35	10.9	8	16.7	19	14.8	0	—	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	75	14.6	43	13.4	6	12.5	24	18.8	2	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	75	14.6	46	14.4	4	8.3	22	17.2	3	—	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	48	9.4	24	7.5	5	10.4	16	12.5	2	—	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	48	9.4	25	7.8	9	18.8	13	10.2	1	—	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	22	4.3	10	3.1	5	10.4	6	4.7	1	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	24	4.7	16	5.0	1	2.1	6	4.7	1	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	29	5.7	17	5.3	2	4.2	10	7.8	0	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	78	15.2	70	21.9	3	6.2	3	2.3	2	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	4	.8	3	.9	0	.0	0	.0	0	—	1	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.



TABLE 14  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1975  
Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,196	100.0	1,053	100.0	405	100.0	660	100.0	67	100.0	11	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	135	6.1	58	5.5	25	6.2	47	7.1	4	6.0	1	-
15-19 . . . . .	241	11.0	95	9.0	75	18.5	67	10.2	4	6.0	0	-
20-24 . . . . .	355	16.2	143	13.6	99	24.4	104	15.8	8	11.9	1	-
25-29 . . . . .	324	14.8	141	13.4	67	16.5	103	15.6	13	19.4	0	-
30-34 . . . . .	223	10.2	96	9.1	41	10.1	80	12.1	6	9.0	0	-
35-39 . . . . .	191	8.7	87	8.3	28	6.9	65	9.8	10	14.9	1	-
40-44 . . . . .	154	7.0	69	6.6	22	5.4	60	9.1	3	4.5	0	-
45-49 . . . . .	130	5.9	65	6.2	19	4.7	43	6.5	3	4.5	0	-
50-54 . . . . .	117	5.3	73	6.9	8	2.0	34	5.2	2	3.0	0	-
55-99 . . . . .	305	13.9	215	20.4	20	4.9	56	8.5	13	19.4	1	-
Unknown . . . . .	21	1.0	11	1.0	1	.2	1	.2	1	1.5	7	-
Male . . . . .	1,616	100.0	714	100.0	355	100.0	491	100.0	49	100.0	7	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	80	5.0	30	4.2	18	5.1	28	5.7	3	-	1	-
15-19 . . . . .	191	11.8	67	9.4	69	19.4	53	10.8	2	-	0	-
20-24 . . . . .	260	16.1	96	13.4	86	24.2	70	14.3	7	-	1	-
25-29 . . . . .	250	15.5	100	14.0	59	16.6	82	16.7	9	-	0	-
30-34 . . . . .	164	10.1	61	8.5	38	10.7	61	12.4	4	-	0	-
35-39 . . . . .	148	9.2	63	8.8	24	6.8	52	10.6	8	-	1	-
40-44 . . . . .	113	7.0	50	7.0	18	5.1	42	8.6	3	-	0	-
45-49 . . . . .	100	6.2	46	6.4	17	4.8	35	7.1	2	-	0	-
50-54 . . . . .	89	5.5	52	7.3	7	2.0	28	5.7	2	-	0	-
55-99 . . . . .	206	12.7	141	19.7	18	5.1	39	7.9	8	-	0	-
Unknown . . . . .	15	.9	8	1.1	1	.3	1	.2	1	-	4	-
Female . . . . .	580	100.0	339	100.0	50	100.0	169	100.0	18	100.0	4	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	55	9.5	28	8.3	7	14.0	19	11.2	1	-	0	-
15-19 . . . . .	50	8.6	28	8.3	6	12.0	14	8.3	2	-	0	-
20-24 . . . . .	95	16.4	47	13.9	13	26.0	34	20.1	1	-	0	-
25-29 . . . . .	74	12.8	41	12.1	8	16.0	21	12.4	4	-	0	-
30-34 . . . . .	59	10.2	35	10.3	3	6.0	19	11.2	2	-	0	-
35-39 . . . . .	43	7.4	24	7.1	4	8.0	13	7.7	2	-	0	-
40-44 . . . . .	41	7.1	19	5.6	4	8.0	18	10.6	0	-	0	-
45-49 . . . . .	30	5.2	19	5.6	2	4.0	8	4.7	1	-	0	-
50-54 . . . . .	28	4.8	21	6.2	1	2.0	6	3.6	0	-	0	-
55-99 . . . . .	99	17.1	74	21.8	2	4.0	17	10.1	5	-	1	-
Unknown . . . . .	6	1.0	3	.9	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	3	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
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TABLE 15  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1976  
Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,214	100.0	1,055	100.0	446	100.0	628	100.0	56	100.0	29	100.0
0-14.....	116	5.2	48	4.5	22	4.9	45	7.2	1	1.8	0	--
15-19.....	222	10.0	95	9.0	76	17.0	48	7.6	1	1.8	2	--
20-24.....	405	18.3	159	15.1	107	24.0	122	19.4	14	25.0	3	--
25-29.....	340	15.4	148	14.0	71	15.9	112	17.8	7	12.5	2	--
30-34.....	236	10.7	85	8.1	60	13.5	76	12.1	12	21.4	3	--
35-39.....	156	7.0	76	7.2	27	6.1	47	7.5	5	8.9	1	--
40-44.....	145	6.5	70	6.6	26	5.8	48	7.6	1	1.8	0	--
45-49.....	134	6.1	79	7.5	16	3.6	37	5.9	2	3.6	0	--
50-54.....	99	4.5	56	5.3	10	2.2	28	4.5	5	8.9	0	--
55-99.....	307	13.9	219	20.8	21	4.7	57	9.1	8	14.3	2	--
Unknown.....	54	2.4	20	1.9	10	2.2	8	1.3	0	.0	16	--
Male.....	1,648	100.0	717	100.0	388	100.0	482	100.0	34	100.0	27	100.0
0-14.....	65	3.9	30	4.2	13	3.4	22	4.6	0	--	0	--
15-19.....	158	9.6	51	7.1	69	17.8	35	7.3	1	--	2	--
20-24.....	306	18.6	107	14.9	96	24.7	87	18.0	13	--	3	--
25-29.....	272	16.5	107	14.9	65	16.8	95	19.7	3	--	2	--
30-34.....	193	11.7	68	9.5	51	13.1	64	13.3	7	--	3	--
35-39.....	123	7.5	59	8.2	25	6.4	36	7.5	2	--	1	--
40-44.....	113	6.9	52	7.3	21	5.4	40	8.3	0	--	0	--
45-49.....	100	6.1	56	7.8	14	3.6	30	6.2	0	--	0	--
50-54.....	71	4.3	39	5.4	9	2.3	19	3.9	4	--	0	--
55-99.....	204	12.4	137	19.1	16	4.1	46	9.5	4	--	1	--
Unknown.....	43	2.6	11	1.5	9	2.3	8	1.7	0	--	15	--
Female.....	566	100.0	338	100.0	58	100.0	146	100.0	22	100.0	2	100.0
0-14.....	51	9.0	18	5.3	9	15.5	23	15.8	1	--	0	--
15-19.....	64	11.3	44	13.0	7	12.1	13	8.9	0	--	0	--
20-24.....	99	17.5	52	15.4	11	19.0	35	24.0	1	--	0	--
25-29.....	68	12.0	41	12.1	6	10.3	17	11.6	4	--	0	--
30-34.....	43	7.6	17	5.0	9	15.5	12	8.2	5	--	0	--
35-39.....	33	5.8	17	5.0	2	3.4	11	7.5	3	--	0	--
40-44.....	32	5.7	18	5.3	5	8.6	8	5.5	1	--	0	--
45-49.....	34	6.0	23	6.8	2	3.4	7	4.8	2	--	0	--
50-54.....	28	4.9	17	5.0	1	1.7	9	6.2	1	--	0	--
55-99.....	103	18.2	82	24.3	5	8.6	11	7.5	4	--	1	--
Unknown.....	11	1.9	9	2.7	1	1.7	0	.0	0	--	1	--

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 16**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1977**  
**Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>2,481</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	138	5.6	61	5.2	23	4.8	49	6.8	3	3.8	2	—
15-19 . . . . .	307	12.4	136	11.5	105	21.8	56	7.7	10	12.5	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	427	17.2	187	15.8	107	22.2	122	16.9	11	13.8	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	391	15.8	154	13.0	92	19.1	133	18.4	11	13.8	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	267	10.8	116	9.8	45	9.3	97	13.4	9	11.2	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	205	8.3	85	7.2	39	8.1	71	9.8	9	11.2	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	163	6.6	75	6.3	26	5.4	58	8.0	4	5.0	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	103	4.2	47	4.0	16	3.3	37	5.1	3	3.8	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	115	4.6	67	5.7	12	2.5	31	4.3	5	6.2	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	329	13.3	244	20.6	9	1.9	61	8.4	15	18.8	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	36	1.5	12	1.0	8	1.7	8	1.1	0	.0	8	—
<b>Male</b> . . . . .	<b>1,835</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	69	3.8	32	3.9	10	2.5	24	4.5	3	4.8	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	203	11.1	73	8.9	88	21.6	34	6.3	8	12.9	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	315	17.2	130	16.0	91	22.3	85	15.8	9	14.5	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	301	16.4	106	13.0	88	21.6	100	18.6	7	11.3	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	219	11.9	92	11.2	39	9.6	80	14.8	8	12.9	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	164	8.9	65	7.9	35	8.6	58	10.8	6	9.7	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	132	7.2	60	7.3	20	4.9	48	8.9	4	6.5	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	79	4.3	39	4.8	8	2.0	29	5.4	3	4.8	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	92	5.0	50	6.1	12	2.9	26	4.8	4	6.5	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	231	12.6	164	20.0	9	2.2	48	8.9	10	16.1	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	30	1.6	7	.9	8	2.0	7	1.3	0	.0	8	—
<b>Female</b> . . . . .	<b>646</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	69	10.7	29	7.9	13	17.6	25	13.6	0	—	2	—
15-19 . . . . .	104	16.1	63	17.2	17	23.0	22	12.0	2	—	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	112	17.3	57	15.6	16	21.6	37	20.1	2	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	90	13.9	48	13.1	4	5.4	33	17.9	4	—	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	48	7.4	24	6.6	6	8.1	17	9.2	1	—	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	41	6.3	20	5.5	4	5.4	13	7.1	3	—	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	31	4.8	15	4.1	6	8.1	10	5.4	0	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	24	3.7	8	2.2	8	10.8	8	4.3	0	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	23	3.6	17	4.6	0	.0	5	2.7	1	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	98	15.2	80	21.9	0	.0	13	7.1	5	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	6	.9	5	1.4	0	.0	1	.5	0	—	0	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.



**TABLE 17**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1978**  
**Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	2,601	100.0	1,154	100.0	649	100.0	695	100.0	86	100.0	17	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	132	5.1	59	5.1	34	5.2	30	4.3	8	9.3	1	—
15-19 . . . . .	287	11.0	101	8.8	122	18.8	58	8.3	5	5.8	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	466	17.9	179	15.5	153	23.6	121	17.4	13	15.1	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	424	16.3	159	13.8	111	17.1	135	19.4	17	19.8	2	—
30-34 . . . . .	296	11.4	114	9.9	66	10.2	103	14.8	12	14.0	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	189	7.3	77	6.7	40	6.2	64	9.2	8	9.3	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	166	6.4	75	6.5	37	5.7	54	7.8	0	.0	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	146	5.6	74	6.4	31	4.8	36	5.2	4	4.7	1	—
50-54 . . . . .	117	4.5	69	6.0	15	2.3	29	4.2	4	4.7	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	307	11.8	215	18.6	26	4.0	55	7.9	10	11.6	1	—
Unknown . . . . .	71	2.7	32	2.8	14	2.2	10	1.4	5	5.8	10	—
<b>Male</b> . . . . .	2,027	100.0	822	100.0	588	100.0	540	100.0	63	100.0	14	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	79	3.9	41	5.0	19	3.2	13	2.4	5	7.9	1	—
15-19 . . . . .	223	11.0	61	7.4	119	20.2	39	7.2	3	4.8	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	378	18.6	126	15.3	146	24.8	97	18.0	9	14.3	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	339	16.7	115	14.0	102	17.3	107	19.8	14	22.2	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	238	11.7	85	10.3	60	10.2	84	15.6	8	12.7	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	158	7.8	63	7.7	35	6.0	52	9.6	8	12.7	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	138	6.8	58	7.1	34	5.8	46	8.5	0	.0	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	123	6.1	59	7.2	29	4.9	31	5.7	3	4.8	1	—
50-54 . . . . .	89	4.4	51	6.2	12	2.0	22	4.1	4	6.3	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	210	10.4	142	17.3	20	3.4	41	7.6	6	9.5	1	—
Unknown . . . . .	52	2.6	21	2.6	12	2.0	8	1.5	3	4.8	8	—
<b>Female</b> . . . . .	574	100.0	332	100.0	61	100.0	155	100.0	23	100.0	3	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	53	9.2	18	5.4	15	24.6	17	11.0	3	—	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	64	11.1	40	12.0	3	4.9	19	12.3	2	—	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	88	15.3	53	16.0	7	11.5	24	15.5	4	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	85	14.8	44	13.3	9	14.8	28	18.1	3	—	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	58	10.1	29	8.7	6	9.8	19	12.3	4	—	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	31	5.4	14	4.2	5	8.2	12	7.7	0	—	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	28	4.9	17	5.1	3	4.9	8	5.2	0	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	23	4.0	15	4.5	2	3.3	5	3.2	1	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	28	4.9	18	5.4	3	4.9	7	4.5	0	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	97	16.9	73	22.0	6	9.8	14	9.0	4	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	19	3.3	11	3.3	2	3.3	2	1.3	2	—	2	—

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Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 18  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979  
Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,941	100.0	1,139	100.0	871	100.0	797	100.0	113	100.0	21	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	132	4.5	69	6.1	24	2.8	34	4.3	5	4.4	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	328	11.2	100	8.8	139	16.0	75	9.4	13	11.5	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	566	19.2	168	14.7	235	27.0	144	18.1	17	15.0	2	—
25-29 . . . . .	508	17.3	174	15.3	154	17.7	162	20.3	17	15.0	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	346	11.8	118	10.4	100	11.5	115	14.4	12	10.6	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	228	7.8	91	8.0	60	6.9	62	7.8	14	12.4	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	189	6.4	79	6.9	47	5.4	58	7.3	5	4.4	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	172	5.8	80	7.0	46	5.3	40	5.0	6	5.3	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	114	3.9	59	5.2	19	2.2	31	3.9	5	4.4	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	291	9.9	170	14.9	37	4.2	68	8.5	16	14.2	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	67	2.3	31	2.7	10	1.1	8	1.0	3	2.7	15	—
Male . . . . .	2,341	100.0	808	100.0	793	100.0	642	100.0	80	100.0	18	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	72	3.1	37	4.6	16	2.0	16	2.5	3	3.8	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	265	11.3	69	8.5	127	16.0	63	9.8	6	7.5	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	470	20.1	115	14.2	223	28.1	118	18.4	12	15.0	2	—
25-29 . . . . .	408	17.4	123	15.2	141	17.8	131	20.4	12	15.0	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	287	12.3	86	10.6	95	12.0	95	14.8	10	12.5	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	181	7.7	67	8.3	55	6.9	48	7.5	10	12.5	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	150	6.4	56	6.9	39	4.9	51	7.9	4	5.0	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	134	5.7	56	6.9	40	5.0	33	5.1	5	6.2	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	98	4.2	51	6.3	18	2.3	24	3.7	5	6.2	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	225	9.6	126	15.6	31	3.9	58	9.0	10	12.5	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	51	2.2	22	2.7	8	1.0	5	.8	3	3.8	13	—
Female . . . . .	600	100.0	331	100.0	78	100.0	155	100.0	33	100.0	3	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	60	10.0	32	9.7	8	10.3	18	11.6	2	6.1	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	63	10.5	31	9.4	12	15.4	12	7.7	7	21.2	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	96	16.0	53	16.0	12	15.4	26	16.8	5	15.2	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	100	16.7	51	15.4	13	16.7	31	20.0	5	15.2	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	59	9.8	32	9.7	5	6.4	20	12.9	2	6.1	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	47	7.8	24	7.3	5	6.4	14	9.0	4	12.1	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	39	6.5	23	6.9	8	10.3	7	4.5	1	3.0	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	38	6.3	24	7.3	6	7.7	7	4.5	1	3.0	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	16	2.7	8	2.4	1	1.3	7	4.5	0	.0	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	66	11.0	44	13.3	6	7.7	10	6.5	6	18.2	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	16	2.7	9	2.7	2	2.6	3	1.9	0	.0	2	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 19**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1980**  
**Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Sex and age of victim	Race/ethnic group of victim											
	Total		White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>3,405</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>972</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	110	3.2	57	4.4	18	1.8	33	3.4	2	1.4	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	425	12.5	115	9.0	187	18.9	109	11.2	13	9.1	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	650	19.1	191	14.9	232	23.4	206	21.2	21	14.7	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	579	17.0	173	13.5	195	19.7	177	18.2	32	22.4	2	—
30-34 . . . . .	437	12.8	162	12.6	115	11.6	145	14.9	14	9.8	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	274	8.0	99	7.7	77	7.8	83	8.5	15	10.5	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	201	5.9	85	6.6	41	4.1	64	6.6	11	7.7	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	151	4.4	67	5.2	41	4.1	35	3.6	8	5.6	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	144	4.2	76	5.9	21	2.1	40	4.1	7	4.9	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	357	10.5	232	18.1	36	3.6	72	7.4	17	11.9	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	77	2.3	26	2.0	27	2.7	8	.8	3	2.1	13	—
<b>Male</b> . . . . .	<b>2,709</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	59	2.2	30	3.3	9	1.0	19	2.4	1	1.0	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	350	12.9	70	7.8	175	19.5	93	11.7	11	10.7	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	521	19.2	128	14.3	213	23.7	168	21.1	12	11.7	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	479	17.7	127	14.1	181	20.2	144	18.1	26	25.2	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	357	13.2	122	13.6	105	11.7	119	14.9	10	9.7	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	223	8.2	77	8.6	67	7.5	71	8.9	8	7.8	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	160	5.9	63	7.0	36	4.0	55	6.9	6	5.8	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	123	4.5	51	5.7	35	3.9	31	3.9	6	5.8	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	122	4.5	60	6.7	21	2.3	34	4.3	7	6.8	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	252	9.3	152	16.9	31	3.5	56	7.0	13	12.6	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	63	2.3	18	2.0	25	2.8	6	.8	3	2.9	11	—
<b>Female</b> . . . . .	<b>696</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0</b>
0-14 . . . . .	51	7.3	27	7.0	9	9.8	14	8.0	1	—	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	75	10.8	45	11.7	12	13.0	16	9.1	2	—	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	129	18.5	63	16.4	19	20.7	38	21.6	9	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	100	14.4	46	11.9	14	15.2	33	18.8	6	—	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	80	11.5	40	10.4	10	10.9	26	14.8	4	—	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	51	7.3	22	5.7	10	10.9	12	6.8	7	—	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	41	5.9	22	5.7	5	5.4	9	5.1	5	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	28	4.0	16	4.2	6	6.5	4	2.3	2	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	22	3.2	16	4.2	0	.0	6	3.4	0	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	105	15.1	80	20.8	5	5.4	16	9.1	4	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	14	2.0	8	2.1	2	2.2	2	1.1	0	—	2	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
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**TABLE 20**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1981**  
**Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,140	100.0	1,143	100.0	951	100.0	899	100.0	134	100.0	13	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	132	4.2	58	5.1	35	3.7	35	3.9	4	3.0	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	347	11.0	75	6.6	161	16.9	99	11.0	12	9.0	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	586	18.7	162	14.2	228	24.0	173	19.2	23	17.2	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	516	16.4	147	12.9	176	18.5	177	19.7	15	11.2	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	412	13.1	161	14.1	125	13.1	106	11.8	20	14.9	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	261	8.3	93	8.1	67	7.0	84	9.3	16	11.9	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	182	5.8	63	5.5	60	6.3	49	5.4	10	7.5	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	145	4.6	62	5.4	28	2.9	49	5.4	6	4.5	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	131	4.2	57	5.0	25	2.6	37	4.1	12	9.0	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	367	11.7	240	21.0	30	3.2	82	9.1	14	10.4	1	—
Unknown . . . . .	61	1.9	25	2.2	16	1.7	8	.9	2	1.5	10	—
Male . . . . .	2,472	100.0	788	100.0	848	100.0	726	100.0	99	100.0	11	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	80	3.2	29	3.7	23	2.7	25	3.4	3	3.0	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	292	11.8	48	6.1	148	17.5	85	11.7	11	11.1	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	466	18.9	112	14.2	207	24.4	134	18.5	13	13.1	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	424	17.2	110	14.0	156	18.4	146	20.1	11	11.1	1	—
30-34 . . . . .	344	13.9	127	16.1	117	13.8	84	11.6	16	16.2	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	214	8.7	67	8.5	58	6.8	75	10.3	13	13.1	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	146	5.9	47	6.0	51	6.0	41	5.6	7	7.1	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	115	4.7	42	5.3	26	3.1	41	5.6	6	6.1	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	101	4.1	39	4.9	23	2.7	32	4.4	7	7.1	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	244	9.9	151	19.2	24	2.8	58	8.0	10	10.1	1	—
Unknown . . . . .	46	1.9	16	2.0	15	1.8	5	.7	2	2.0	8	—
Female . . . . .	668	100.0	355	100.0	103	100.0	173	100.0	35	100.0	2	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	52	7.8	29	8.2	12	11.6	10	5.8	1	—	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	55	8.2	27	7.6	13	12.6	14	8.1	1	—	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	120	18.0	50	14.1	21	20.4	39	22.5	10	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	92	13.8	37	10.4	20	19.4	31	17.9	4	—	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	68	10.2	34	9.6	8	7.8	22	12.7	4	—	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	47	7.0	26	7.3	9	8.7	9	5.2	3	—	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	36	5.4	16	4.5	9	8.7	8	4.6	3	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	30	4.5	20	5.6	2	1.9	8	4.6	0	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	30	4.5	18	5.1	2	1.9	5	2.9	5	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	123	18.4	89	25.1	6	5.8	24	13.9	4	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	15	2.2	9	2.5	1	1.0	3	1.7	0	—	2	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 21  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1982  
Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,778	100.0	999	100.0	851	100.0	789	100.0	127	100.0	12	100.0
0-14.....	143	5.1	56	5.6	43	5.1	37	4.7	6	4.7	1	—
15-19.....	245	8.8	64	6.4	94	11.0	79	10.0	8	6.3	0	—
20-24.....	518	18.6	156	15.6	212	24.9	130	16.5	20	15.7	0	—
25-29.....	468	16.8	126	12.6	178	20.9	146	18.5	18	14.2	0	—
30-34.....	335	12.1	105	10.5	106	12.5	103	13.1	21	16.5	0	—
35-39.....	261	9.4	100	10.0	70	8.2	79	10.0	12	9.4	0	—
40-44.....	189	6.8	79	7.9	50	5.9	51	6.5	9	7.1	0	—
45-49.....	119	4.3	41	4.1	32	3.8	37	4.7	9	7.1	0	—
50-54.....	142	5.1	64	6.4	21	2.5	48	6.1	9	7.1	0	—
55-99.....	318	11.4	198	19.8	35	4.1	71	9.0	14	11.0	0	—
Unknown.....	40	1.4	10	1.0	10	1.2	8	1.0	1	.8	11	—
Male.....	2,133	100.0	649	100.0	747	100.0	630	100.0	98	100.0	9	100.0
0-14.....	72	3.4	23	3.5	24	3.2	20	3.2	4	4.1	1	—
15-19.....	197	9.2	43	6.6	85	11.4	62	9.8	7	7.1	0	—
20-24.....	414	19.4	104	16.0	193	25.8	104	16.5	13	13.3	0	—
25-29.....	374	17.5	75	11.6	167	22.4	118	18.7	14	14.3	0	—
30-34.....	272	12.8	78	12.0	92	12.3	84	13.3	18	18.4	0	—
35-39.....	201	9.4	66	10.2	60	8.0	65	10.3	10	10.2	0	—
40-44.....	153	7.2	54	8.3	44	5.9	46	7.3	9	9.2	0	—
45-49.....	101	4.7	33	5.1	29	3.9	32	5.1	7	7.1	0	—
50-54.....	107	5.0	47	7.2	16	2.1	38	6.0	6	6.1	0	—
55-99.....	212	9.9	119	18.3	28	3.7	56	8.9	9	9.2	0	—
Unknown.....	30	1.4	7	1.1	9	1.2	5	.8	1	1.0	8	—
Female.....	645	100.0	350	100.0	104	100.0	159	100.0	29	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	71	11.0	33	9.4	19	18.3	17	10.7	2	—	0	—
15-19.....	48	7.4	21	6.0	9	8.7	17	10.7	1	—	0	—
20-24.....	104	16.1	52	14.9	19	18.3	26	16.4	7	—	0	—
25-29.....	94	14.6	51	14.6	11	10.6	28	17.6	4	—	0	—
30-34.....	63	9.8	27	7.7	14	13.5	19	11.9	3	—	0	—
35-39.....	60	9.3	34	9.7	10	9.6	14	8.8	2	—	0	—
40-44.....	36	5.6	25	7.1	6	5.8	5	3.1	0	—	0	—
45-49.....	18	2.8	8	2.3	3	2.9	5	3.1	2	—	0	—
50-54.....	35	5.4	17	4.9	5	4.8	10	6.3	3	—	0	—
55-99.....	106	16.4	79	22.6	7	6.7	15	9.4	5	—	0	—
Unknown.....	10	1.6	3	.9	1	1.0	3	1.9	0	—	3	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 22**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Sex and Age of Victim Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	117	4.4	43	4.4	33	4.0	38	5.3	2	1.9	1	—
15-19 . . . . .	255	9.7	58	6.0	103	12.6	85	11.8	8	7.4	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	504	19.1	124	12.8	208	25.4	152	21.0	18	16.7	2	—
25-29 . . . . .	427	16.2	127	13.1	159	19.4	119	16.5	20	18.5	2	—
30-34 . . . . .	342	13.0	103	10.6	111	13.6	109	15.1	18	16.7	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	231	8.8	95	9.8	55	6.7	68	9.4	12	11.1	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	175	6.6	80	8.3	47	5.7	41	5.7	7	6.5	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	129	4.9	55	5.7	40	4.9	29	4.0	5	4.6	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	110	4.2	51	5.3	25	3.1	25	3.5	9	8.3	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	321	12.2	228	23.6	30	3.7	54	7.5	9	8.3	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	29	1.1	4	.4	8	1.0	3	.4	0	.0	14	—
<b>Male</b> . . . . .	2,053	100.0	639	100.0	726	100.0	594	100.0	75	100.0	19	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	64	3.1	19	3.0	18	2.5	26	4.4	0	.0	1	—
15-19 . . . . .	206	10.0	34	5.3	96	13.2	72	12.1	4	5.3	0	—
20-24 . . . . .	417	20.3	87	13.6	192	26.4	123	20.7	13	17.3	2	—
25-29 . . . . .	348	17.0	96	15.0	139	19.1	96	16.2	17	22.7	0	—
30-34 . . . . .	278	13.5	73	11.4	97	13.4	93	15.7	14	18.7	1	—
35-39 . . . . .	180	8.8	70	11.0	49	6.7	55	9.3	5	6.7	1	—
40-44 . . . . .	143	7.0	60	9.4	42	5.8	36	6.1	5	6.7	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	93	4.5	29	4.5	37	5.1	24	4.0	3	4.0	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	85	4.1	35	5.5	24	3.3	19	3.2	7	9.3	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	213	10.4	133	20.8	24	3.3	49	8.2	7	9.3	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	26	1.3	3	.5	8	1.1	1	.2	0	.0	14	—
<b>Female</b> . . . . .	587	100.0	329	100.0	93	100.0	129	100.0	33	100.0	3	100.0
0-14 . . . . .	53	9.0	24	7.3	15	16.1	12	9.3	2	—	0	—
15-19 . . . . .	49	8.3	24	7.3	7	7.5	13	10.1	4	—	1	—
20-24 . . . . .	87	14.8	37	11.2	16	17.2	29	22.5	5	—	0	—
25-29 . . . . .	79	13.5	31	9.4	20	21.5	23	17.8	3	—	2	—
30-34 . . . . .	64	10.9	30	9.1	14	15.1	16	12.4	4	—	0	—
35-39 . . . . .	51	8.7	25	7.6	6	6.5	13	10.1	7	—	0	—
40-44 . . . . .	32	5.5	20	6.1	5	5.4	5	3.9	2	—	0	—
45-49 . . . . .	36	6.1	26	7.9	3	3.2	5	3.9	2	—	0	—
50-54 . . . . .	25	4.3	16	4.9	1	1.1	6	4.7	2	—	0	—
55-99 . . . . .	108	18.4	95	28.9	6	6.5	5	3.9	2	—	0	—
Unknown . . . . .	3	.5	1	.3	0	.0	2	1.6	0	—	0	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.



**TABLE 23**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Rate per 100,000 Population Distributed by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Victim

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age	Percent <sup>a</sup>	Population	Victims	Rate
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	100.0	25,174,000	2,640 <sup>b</sup>	10.5
<b>Sex</b>				
Male . . . . .	49.3	12,410,782	2,053	16.5
Female . . . . .	50.7	12,763,218	587	4.6
<b>Race/ethnic group</b>				
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	66.6	16,765,884	976	5.8
Hispanic . . . . .	19.2	4,833,408	826	17.1
Black . . . . .	7.5	1,888,050	729	38.6
Other . . . . .	6.7	1,686,658	109	6.5
<b>Age</b>				
0-24 . . . . .	40.0	10,069,600	886	8.8
25-39 . . . . .	25.0	6,293,500	1,011	16.1
40 and over . . . . .	35.0	8,810,900	743	8.4

<sup>a</sup>Percent distributions of Californians by sex, race/ethnic group, and age were obtained from Department of Finance 1980 population estimates. These percents were applied to the total population estimate of 25,174,000 used by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics in 1983 to calculate the subpopulation figures shown for sex, race/ethnic group, and age.

<sup>b</sup>This figure includes 22 victims whose race/ethnic group was unknown and 29 victims whose age was unknown. These "unknowns" are distributed proportionately among the several age and race/ethnic groups.

Source: Table 22.

**TABLE 24**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Relationship of Victim to Offender Distributed by Sex of Victim

Sex of victim	Total	Spouse	Friend, acquaintance	Gang member	Parent, child	Stranger	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>							
Number . . . . .	2,257	156	1,048	152	123	689	89
Percent . . . . .	100.0	6.9	46.4	6.7	5.4	30.5	3.9
<b>Male</b>							
Number . . . . .	1,762	51	871	145	68	555	72
Percent . . . . .	100.0	2.9	49.4	8.2	3.9	31.5	4.1
<b>Female</b>							
Number . . . . .	495	105	177	7	55	134	17
Percent . . . . .	100.0	21.2	35.8	1.4	11.1	27.1	3.4

Notes: This table excludes 383 victims whose relationship to the offender was unknown. Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 26.

**TABLE 25**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Relationship of Victim to Offender Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Friend, acquaintance	Spouse, parent, child	Gang member	Stranger	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>						
Number . . . . .	2,257	1,048	279	152	689	89
Percent . . . . .	100.0	46.4	12.4	6.7	30.5	3.9
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>						
Number . . . . .	807	336	150	6	280	35
Percent . . . . .	100.0	41.6	18.6	.7	34.7	4.3
<b>Hispanic</b>						
Number . . . . .	723	338	50	88	225	22
Percent . . . . .	100.0	46.7	6.9	12.2	31.1	3.0
<b>Black</b>						
Number . . . . .	628	327	65	56	153	27
Percent . . . . .	100.0	52.1	10.4	8.9	24.4	4.3
<b>All other</b>						
Number . . . . .	91	43	13	2	28	5
Percent . . . . .	100.0	47.3	14.3	2.2	30.8	5.5
<b>Unknown</b>						
Number . . . . .	8	4	1	0	3	0
Percent . . . . .	100.0	—	—	—	—	—

Notes: This table excludes 383 victims whose relationship to the offender was unknown. Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 26.

**TABLE 26**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Relationship of Victim to Offender Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim

Relationship	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0	2,053	100.0	587	100.0
Friend, acquaintance <sup>a</sup> . .	1,048	39.7	336	34.7	338	41.3	327	45.2	43	39.8	4	—	871	42.4	177	30.2
Spouse <sup>b</sup> . . . . .	156	5.9	85	8.8	29	3.5	34	4.7	8	7.4	0	—	51	2.5	105	17.9
Parent, child <sup>c</sup> . . . . .	123	4.7	65	6.7	21	2.6	31	4.3	5	4.6	1	—	68	3.3	55	9.4
Sibling . . . . .	28	1.1	8	.8	7	.9	12	1.7	1	.9	0	—	25	1.2	3	.5
Other relative . . . . .	52	2.0	19	2.0	15	1.8	15	2.1	3	2.8	0	—	38	1.8	14	2.4
Stranger . . . . .	689	26.1	280	28.9	225	27.5	153	21.2	28	25.9	3	—	555	27.0	134	22.8
Gang member . . . . .	152	5.8	6	.6	88	10.7	56	7.7	2	1.9	0	—	145	7.1	7	1.2
Peace officer . . . . .	9	.3	8	.8	0	.0	0	.0	1	.9	0	—	9	.4	0	.0
Unknown . . . . .	383	14.5	161	16.6	96	11.7	95	13.1	17	15.7	14	—	291	14.2	92	15.7

<sup>a</sup>Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, etc.

<sup>b</sup>Includes common-law marriage partner.

<sup>c</sup>Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepson, and stepdaughter.

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 27**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1981-1983**  
 Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population Distributed by Size of County

Size of county	Population July 1, 1982	Average number of victims 1981-1983	Average rate <sup>a</sup>
TOTAL . . . . .	24,724,000	2,852.7	11.5
1st - 20th <sup>b</sup> . . . . .	22,028,400	2,684.0	12.2
Remainder of state . . . . .	2,695,600	168.7	6.3

<sup>a</sup>The average homicide rate for each county group was calculated on the basis of the summation of the estimated populations of the counties in the group as of July 1, 1982 and the average number of willful homicide victims during the three-year period of 1981-1983.

<sup>b</sup>County groups are based on county population estimates as of July 1, 1982. 1st-20th is composed of the largest counties ranked in order of magnitude of population. These counties are Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Santa Clara, Alameda, San Bernardino, Sacramento, Riverside, San Francisco, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Ventura, Fresno, Kern, San Joaquin, Sonoma, Santa Barbara, Monterey, Stanislaus, and Tulare.

Source: Table 28.



**TABLE 28**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1981-1983**  
**Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population Distributed by County**

County	Population July 1, 1982	Average rate <sup>a</sup>	Total	1981	1982	1983
TOTAL . . . . .	24,724,000	11.5	8,558	3,140	2,778	2,640
Alameda . . . . .	1,136,800	13.5	462	188	137	137
Alpine . . . . .	1,200	—	0	0	0	0
Amador . . . . .	20,800	—	0	0	0	0
Butte . . . . .	152,900	—	19	4	10	5
Calaveras . . . . .	23,800	—	6	2	2	2
Colusa . . . . .	14,000	—	3	1	1	1
Contra Costa . . . . .	677,000	7.5	152	57	50	45
Del Norte . . . . .	18,500	—	9	2	2	5
El Dorado . . . . .	94,800	7.7	22	6	9	7
Fresno . . . . .	539,200	13.1	212	73	71	68
Glenn . . . . .	22,200	—	2	0	2	0
Humboldt . . . . .	110,900	9.9	33	7	19	7
Imperial . . . . .	98,500	9.8	29	11	10	8
Inyo . . . . .	18,600	—	6	2	3	1
Kern . . . . .	436,000	14.0	183	81	62	40
Kings . . . . .	78,000	9.8	23	7	11	5
Lake . . . . .	41,100	—	5	4	0	1
Lassen . . . . .	23,700	—	5	1	1	3
Los Angeles . . . . .	7,701,400	18.5	4,263	1,500	1,415	1,348
Madera . . . . .	69,600	10.5	22	6	12	4
Marin . . . . .	223,700	3.1	21	8	4	9
Mariposa . . . . .	12,100	—	1	0	1	0
Mendocino . . . . .	69,900	—	15	8	2	5
Merced . . . . .	143,700	5.8	25	12	5	8
Modoc . . . . .	9,300	—	2	0	2	0
Mono . . . . .	9,400	—	0	0	0	0
Monterey . . . . .	305,100	8.2	75	33	29	13
Napa . . . . .	101,200	—	12	5	3	4
Nevada . . . . .	60,400	—	12	6	4	2
Orange . . . . .	2,021,600	4.6	279	96	83	100
Placer . . . . .	126,900	—	14	6	1	7
Plumas . . . . .	18,600	—	8	4	4	0
Riverside . . . . .	719,400	10.7	231	92	63	76
Sacramento . . . . .	832,000	9.5	238	81	81	76
San Benito . . . . .	27,200	—	6	1	3	2
San Bernardino . . . . .	971,100	13.2	385	166	97	122
San Diego . . . . .	1,968,300	7.0	412	157	124	131
San Francisco . . . . .	699,600	15.2	320	126	111	83
San Joaquin . . . . .	375,000	15.9	179	70	71	38
San Luis Obispo . . . . .	168,100	5.0	25	6	9	10
San Mateo . . . . .	589,400	5.8	102	32	36	34
Santa Barbara . . . . .	309,200	5.6	52	20	15	17
Santa Clara . . . . .	1,331,600	5.8	230	97	61	72
Santa Cruz . . . . .	198,100	5.9	35	16	6	13
Shasta . . . . .	122,500	6.3	23	10	5	8
Sierra . . . . .	3,300	—	1	0	1	0
Siskiyou . . . . .	41,600	—	14	1	7	6
Solano . . . . .	254,600	5.2	40	10	18	12
Sonoma . . . . .	314,700	4.6	43	18	11	14
Stanislaus . . . . .	282,100	6.1	52	20	17	15
Sutter . . . . .	55,500	—	17	7	7	3
Tehama . . . . .	41,400	—	9	3	3	3
Trinity . . . . .	12,500	—	4	1	3	0
Tulare . . . . .	259,300	12.2	95	33	34	28
Tuolumne . . . . .	36,500	—	4	0	2	2
Ventura . . . . .	559,600	5.2	87	32	32	23
Yolo . . . . .	119,700	—	16	4	2	10
Yuba . . . . .	50,800	—	18	7	4	7

<sup>a</sup>The average homicide rate per 100,000 population for each county was calculated on the basis of the estimated population as of July 1, 1982 and the average number of willful homicide victims during the three-year period of 1981-1983.

Notes: The average homicide rate was not calculated when the total number of homicides during 1981-1983 was less than 20. Population estimates were obtained from the California Department of Finance. Each year minor adjustments are made in the population estimates. The adjustments have a minimal effect on the average homicide rates.



**TABLE 29**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Percent Distribution by Known Month of Incident

Month of incident	1974		1975		1976		1977		1978		1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL. . .	1,958	100.0	2,157	100.0	2,183	100.0	2,471	100.0	2,593	100.0	2,932	100.0	3,405	100.0	3,140	100.0	2,778	100.0	2,640	100.0
Total . . . .	934	47.7	1,001	46.4	1,010	46.3	1,145	46.3	1,234	47.6	1,361	46.4	1,502	44.1	1,511	48.1	1,354	48.7	1,258	47.7
January . . .	169	8.6	182	8.4	190	8.7	205	8.3	199	7.7	226	7.7	275	8.1	236	7.5	237	8.5	257	9.7
February . .	142	7.3	151	7.0	162	7.4	169	6.8	194	7.5	207	7.1	220	6.5	262	8.3	189	6.8	175	6.6
March . . . .	150	7.7	176	8.2	137	6.3	173	7.0	222	8.6	230	7.8	240	7.0	232	7.4	229	8.2	200	7.6
April . . . .	142	7.3	164	7.6	163	7.5	204	8.3	205	7.9	219	7.5	232	6.8	237	7.5	235	8.5	217	8.2
May . . . . .	168	8.6	162	7.5	178	8.2	202	8.2	203	7.8	243	8.3	236	6.9	270	8.6	253	9.1	218	8.3
June . . . . .	163	8.3	166	7.7	180	8.2	192	7.8	211	8.1	236	8.0	299	8.8	274	8.7	211	7.6	191	7.2
Total . . . .	1,024	52.3	1,156	53.6	1,173	53.7	1,326	53.7	1,359	52.4	1,571	53.6	1,903	55.9	1,629	51.9	1,424	51.3	1,382	52.3
July . . . . .	168	8.6	175	8.1	187	8.6	206	8.3	226	8.7	239	8.2	329	9.7	306	9.7	239	8.6	240	9.1
August . . .	150	7.7	205	9.5	198	9.1	228	9.2	233	9.0	246	8.4	360	10.6	288	9.2	238	8.6	243	9.2
September .	177	9.0	195	9.0	192	8.8	216	8.7	224	8.6	262	8.9	318	9.3	261	8.3	275	9.9	218	8.3
October . . .	175	8.9	213	9.9	204	9.3	206	8.3	214	8.3	249	8.5	280	8.2	267	8.5	241	8.7	232	8.8
November . .	180	9.2	179	8.3	171	7.8	211	8.5	226	8.7	279	9.5	305	9.0	242	7.7	202	7.3	214	8.1
December . .	174	8.9	189	8.8	221	10.1	259	10.5	236	9.1	296	10.1	311	9.1	265	8.4	229	8.2	235	8.9

Notes: This table excludes 12 victims in 1974, 39 victims in 1975, 31 victims in 1976, 10 victims in 1977, 8 victims in 1978, and 9 victims in 1979 for whom the month of incident resulting in death was unknown.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**TABLE 30**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1974-1983**  
 Average Monthly Number of Homicides in First and Second Half of Year

Year	Number		Average monthly number	
	First half	Second half	First half	Second half
TOTAL . . . . .	12,310	13,947	205.2	232.4
1983 . . . . .	1,258	1,382	209.7	230.3
1982 . . . . .	1,354	1,424	225.7	237.3
1981 . . . . .	1,511	1,629	251.8	271.5
1980 . . . . .	1,502	1,903	250.3	317.2
1979 . . . . .	1,361	1,571	226.8	261.8
1978 . . . . .	1,234	1,359	205.7	226.5
1977 . . . . .	1,145	1,326	190.8	221.0
1976 . . . . .	1,010	1,173	168.3	195.5
1975 . . . . .	1,001	1,156	166.8	192.7
1974 . . . . .	934	1,024	155.7	170.7

**TABLE 31**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Day of Incident Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim

Race/ethnic group and sex of victim	Total	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Weekend	Weekday
<b>TOTAL</b>										
Number . . . . .	2,100	389	264	247	241	250	294	415	804	1,296
Percent . . . . .	100.0	18.5	12.6	11.8	11.5	11.9	14.0	19.8	38.3	61.7
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>										
Number . . . . .	730	110	97	108	98	105	93	119	229	501
Percent . . . . .	100.0	15.1	13.3	14.8	13.4	14.4	12.7	16.3	31.4	68.6
<b>Hispanic</b>										
Number . . . . .	683	157	73	51	54	71	89	188	345	338
Percent . . . . .	100.0	23.0	10.7	7.5	7.9	10.4	13.0	27.5	50.5	49.5
<b>Black</b>										
Number . . . . .	600	106	88	70	77	68	101	90	196	404
Percent . . . . .	100.0	17.7	14.7	11.7	12.8	11.3	16.8	15.0	32.7	67.3
<b>All other</b>										
Number . . . . .	82	14	6	17	11	6	11	17	31	51
Percent . . . . .	100.0	17.1	7.3	20.7	13.4	7.3	13.4	20.7	37.8	62.2
<b>Unknown</b>										
Number . . . . .	5	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	3	2
Percent . . . . .	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Male</b>										
Number . . . . .	1,656	326	194	177	186	195	225	353	679	977
Percent . . . . .	100.0	19.7	11.7	10.7	11.2	11.8	13.6	21.3	41.0	59.0
<b>Female</b>										
Number . . . . .	444	63	70	70	55	55	69	62	125	319
Percent . . . . .	100.0	14.2	15.8	15.8	12.4	12.4	15.5	14.0	28.2	71.8

Notes: This table excludes 540 victims for whom the day of incident resulting in death was unknown.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 32.

**TABLE 32**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Day of Incident Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim**

Day of incident	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0	2,053	100.0	587	100.0
Sunday . . . . .	389	14.7	110	11.4	157	19.2	106	14.7	14	13.0	2	—	326	15.9	63	10.7
Monday . . . . .	264	10.0	97	10.0	73	8.9	88	12.2	6	5.6	0	—	194	9.4	70	11.9
Tuesday . . . . .	247	9.4	108	11.2	51	6.2	70	9.7	17	15.7	1	—	177	8.6	70	11.9
Wednesday . . . . .	241	9.1	98	10.1	54	6.6	77	10.6	11	10.2	1	—	186	9.1	55	9.4
Thursday . . . . .	250	9.5	105	10.8	71	8.7	68	9.4	6	5.6	0	—	195	9.5	55	9.4
Friday . . . . .	294	11.1	93	9.6	89	10.9	101	14.0	11	10.2	0	—	225	11.0	69	11.8
Saturday . . . . .	415	15.7	119	12.3	188	23.0	90	12.4	17	15.7	1	—	353	17.2	62	10.6
Unknown . . . . .	540	20.5	238	24.6	136	16.6	123	17.0	26	24.1	17	—	397	19.3	143	24.4

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.



**TABLE 33**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Location of Homicide Distributed by Sex of Victim**

Sex of victim	Total	Victim's residence	Street, sidewalk	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>				
Number . . . . .	2,501	944	613	944
Percent . . . . .	100.0	37.7	24.5	37.7
<b>Male</b>				
Number . . . . .	1,938	596	565	777
Percent . . . . .	100.0	30.8	29.2	40.1
<b>Female</b>				
Number . . . . .	563	348	48	167
Percent . . . . .	100.0	61.8	8.5	29.7

Notes: This table excludes 139 victims for whom the location of the homicide was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 35.

**TABLE 34**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Location of Homicide Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim**

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Victim's residence	Street, sidewalk	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>				
Number . . . . .	2,501	944	613	944
Percent . . . . .	100.0	37.7	24.5	37.7
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>				
Number . . . . .	916	457	128	331
Percent . . . . .	100.0	49.9	14.0	36.1
<b>Hispanic</b>				
Number . . . . .	788	193	251	344
Percent . . . . .	100.0	24.5	31.9	43.7
<b>Black</b>				
Number . . . . .	681	259	216	206
Percent . . . . .	100.0	38.0	31.7	30.2
<b>All other</b>				
Number . . . . .	99	35	16	48
Percent . . . . .	100.0	35.4	16.2	48.5
<b>Unknown</b>				
Number . . . . .	17	0	2	15
Percent . . . . .	100.0	—	—	—

Notes: This table excludes 139 victims for whom the location of the homicide was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Table 35.

**TABLE 35**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Location of Homicide Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim**

Location	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0	2,053	100.0	587	100.0
Hotel, motel . . . . .	42	1.6	16	1.7	15	1.8	11	1.5	0	.0	0	—	27	1.3	15	2.6
Victim's residence . . .	944	35.8	457	47.2	193	23.6	259	35.8	35	32.4	0	—	596	29.0	348	59.3
Other residence . . . .	217	8.2	74	7.6	68	8.3	66	9.1	7	6.5	2	—	192	9.4	25	4.3
Liquor store . . . . .	21	.8	5	.5	9	1.1	5	.7	2	1.9	0	—	21	1.0	0	.0
Parking lot . . . . .	77	2.9	24	2.5	31	3.8	18	2.5	4	3.7	0	—	61	3.0	16	2.7
Other business . . . . .	67	2.5	35	3.6	15	1.8	2	.3	14	13.0	1	—	59	2.9	8	1.4
Bar . . . . .	125	4.7	18	1.9	89	10.9	14	1.9	4	3.7	0	—	117	5.7	8	1.4
Vehicle . . . . .	170	6.4	56	5.8	53	6.5	53	7.3	7	6.5	1	—	131	6.4	39	6.6
Street, sidewalk . . . .	613	23.2	128	13.2	251	30.6	216	29.9	16	14.8	2	—	565	27.5	48	8.2
Field, park, school . .	156	5.9	68	7.0	49	6.0	24	3.3	5	4.6	10	—	117	5.7	39	6.6
Other . . . . .	69	2.6	35	3.6	15	1.8	13	1.8	5	4.6	1	—	52	2.5	17	2.9
Unknown . . . . .	139	5.3	52	5.4	31	3.8	42	5.8	9	8.3	5	—	115	5.6	24	4.1

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 36**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Type of Weapon**

Type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL	2,613	100.0
Firearm	1,425	54.5
Knife <sup>a</sup>	655	25.1
Blunt object <sup>b</sup>	196	7.5
Personal weapon <sup>c</sup>	199	7.6
Rope <sup>d</sup>	58	2.2
All other	80	3.1

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

<sup>c</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

<sup>d</sup>Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

Note: This table excludes 27 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Source: Table 39.

**TABLE 37**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Type of Weapon Distributed by Sex of Victim**

Sex of victim	Total	Firearm	Knife	Personal weapon <sup>a</sup>	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number	2,613	1,425	655	199	334
Percent	100.0	54.5	25.1	7.6	12.8
<b>Male</b>					
Number	2,037	1,184	526	109	218
Percent	100.0	58.1	25.8	5.4	10.7
<b>Female</b>					
Number	576	241	129	90	116
Percent	100.0	41.8	22.4	15.6	20.1

<sup>a</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

Notes: This table excludes 27 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 39.

**TABLE 38**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Type of Weapon Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim**

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Firearm	Knife <sup>a</sup>	Personal weapon <sup>b</sup>	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number	2,613	1,425	655	199	334
Percent	100.0	54.5	25.1	7.6	12.8
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>					
Number	950	425	232	110	183
Percent	100.0	44.7	24.4	11.6	19.3
<b>Hispanic</b>					
Number	816	479	235	41	61
Percent	100.0	58.7	28.8	5.0	7.5
<b>Black</b>					
Number	722	449	156	45	72
Percent	100.0	62.2	21.6	6.2	10.0
<b>All other</b>					
Number	108	63	29	3	13
Percent	100.0	58.3	26.9	2.8	12.0
<b>Unknown</b>					
Number	17	9	3	0	5
Percent	100.0	—	—	—	—

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

Notes: This table excludes 27 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 39.



**TABLE 39**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Type of Weapon Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim**

Weapon	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>2,640</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,053</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Firearm — unknown	61	2.3	13	1.3	21	2.6	20	2.8	6	5.6	1	—	52	2.5	9	1.5
Handgun . . . . .	1,096	41.5	318	32.9	379	46.3	347	48.0	45	41.7	7	—	919	44.8	177	30.2
Rifle . . . . .	123	4.7	46	4.8	44	5.4	25	3.5	8	7.4	0	—	97	4.7	26	4.4
Shotgun . . . . .	145	5.5	48	5.0	35	4.3	57	7.9	4	3.7	1	—	116	5.7	29	4.9
Knife <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	655	24.8	232	24.0	235	28.7	156	21.6	29	26.9	3	—	526	25.6	129	22.0
Blunt object <sup>b</sup> . . . . .	196	7.4	97	10.0	47	5.7	43	5.9	9	8.3	0	—	146	7.1	50	8.5
Personal weapon <sup>c</sup> . . . . .	199	7.5	110	11.4	41	5.0	45	6.2	3	2.8	0	—	109	5.3	90	15.3
Drugs . . . . .	5	.2	4	.4	0	.0	1	.1	0	.0	0	—	2	.1	3	.5
Rope <sup>d</sup> . . . . .	58	2.2	38	3.9	2	.2	14	1.9	2	1.9	2	—	23	1.1	35	6.0
Other . . . . .	75	2.8	44	4.5	12	1.5	14	1.9	2	1.9	3	—	47	2.3	28	4.8
Unknown . . . . .	27	1.0	18	1.9	3	.4	1	.1	0	.0	5	—	16	.8	11	1.9

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

<sup>c</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

<sup>d</sup>Any implement used to hang or strangle.

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 40**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Contributing Circumstance Distributed by Sex of Victim**

Sex of victim	Total	Sex-related	Robbery	Argument	Burglary	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>						
Number . . . . .	2,323	70	400	1,364	47	442
Percent . . . . .	100.0	3.0	17.2	58.7	2.0	19.0
<b>Male</b>						
Number . . . . .	1,812	13	340	1,086	20	353
Percent . . . . .	100.0	.7	18.8	59.9	1.1	19.5
<b>Female</b>						
Number . . . . .	511	57	60	278	27	89
Percent . . . . .	100.0	11.2	11.7	54.4	5.3	17.4

Notes: This table excludes 317 victims for whom the circumstance contributing to the homicide was unknown. Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 42.

**TABLE 41**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
**Known Contributing Circumstance Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim**

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Sex-related, robbery, burglary	Argument	Gang-related	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number . . . . .	2,323	517	1,364	148	294
Percent . . . . .	100.0	22.3	58.7	6.4	12.7
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>					
Number . . . . .	829	254	452	4	119
Percent . . . . .	100.0	30.6	54.5	.5	14.4
<b>Hispanic</b>					
Number . . . . .	745	114	479	88	64
Percent . . . . .	100.0	15.3	64.3	11.8	8.6
<b>Black</b>					
Number . . . . .	642	123	370	54	95
Percent . . . . .	100.0	19.2	57.6	8.4	14.8
<b>All other</b>					
Number . . . . .	99	24	61	2	12
Percent . . . . .	100.0	24.2	61.6	2.0	12.1
<b>Unknown</b>					
Number . . . . .	8	2	2	0	4
Percent . . . . .	100.0	—	—	—	—

Notes: This table excludes 317 victims for whom the circumstance contributing to the homicide was unknown. Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 42.

**TABLE 42**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Contributing Circumstance Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim

Contributing circumstance	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0	2,053	100.0	587	100.0
Argument . . . . .	1,364	51.7	452	46.7	479	58.5	370	51.2	61	56.5	2	—	1,086	52.9	278	47.4
Sex-related . . . . .	70	2.7	45	4.6	7	.9	16	2.2	1	.9	1	—	13	.6	57	9.7
Robbery . . . . .	400	15.2	176	18.2	101	12.3	101	14.0	21	19.4	1	—	340	16.6	60	10.2
Burglary . . . . .	47	1.8	33	3.4	6	.7	6	.8	2	1.9	0	—	20	1.0	27	4.6
Drugs . . . . .	107	4.1	33	3.4	22	2.7	48	6.6	3	2.8	1	—	100	4.9	7	1.2
Gangland . . . . .	11	.4	3	.3	4	.5	3	.4	0	.0	1	—	11	.5	0	.0
Gang-related . . . . .	148	5.6	4	.4	88	10.7	54	7.5	2	1.9	0	—	141	6.9	7	1.2
Other . . . . .	176	6.7	83	8.6	38	4.6	44	6.1	9	8.3	2	—	101	4.9	75	12.8
Unknown . . . . .	317	12.0	139	14.4	74	9.0	81	11.2	9	8.3	14	—	241	11.7	76	12.9

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 43**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
 Known Contributing Circumstance Distributed by Known Age of Victim

Contributing circumstance	Total		Age of victim							
			0-14		15-19		20-69		70 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,312	100.0	111	100.0	239	100.0	1,867	100.0	95	100.0
Rape, robbery, and burglary . . . . .	500	21.6	8	7.2	28	11.7	403	21.6	61	64.2
Argument . . . . .	1,358	58.7	11	9.9	118	49.4	1,208	64.7	21	22.1
Gang-related . . . . .	148	6.4	9	8.1	70	29.3	69	3.7	0	.0
Child abuse . . . . .	53	2.3	53	47.7	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
All other . . . . .	253	10.9	30	27.0	23	9.6	187	10.0	13	13.7

Notes: This table excludes 317 victims for whom the contributing circumstance to the homicide was unknown and 11 whose age was unknown.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
 Source: Table 44.



TABLE 44  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983  
Contributing Circumstance Distributed by Age of Victim

Contributing circumstance	Total		Age of victim							
			0-4		5-14		15-19		20-29	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,640	100.0	70	100.0	47	100.0	255	100.0	931	100.0
Rape . . . . .	54	2.0	1	1.4	5	—	6	2.4	16	1.7
Robbery . . . . .	400	15.2	0	.0	1	—	20	7.8	101	10.8
Burglary . . . . .	47	1.8	0	.0	1	—	2	.8	6	.6
Argument . . . . .	1,364	51.7	2	2.9	9	—	118	46.3	550	59.1
Child abuse . . . . .	54	2.0	49	70.0	4	—	0	.0	0	.0
Gang-related . . . . .	148	5.6	0	.0	9	—	70	27.4	64	6.9
Arson . . . . .	15	.6	1	1.4	1	—	1	.4	2	.2
Narcotic drug laws . . . . .	107	4.1	0	.0	1	—	9	3.5	56	6.0
Other . . . . .	134	5.1	17	24.3	10	—	13	5.1	31	3.3
Unknown . . . . .	317	12.0	0	.0	6	—	16	6.3	105	11.3

Contributing circumstance	Age of victim											
	30-39		40-49		50-59		60-69		70 and over		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	573	100.0	304	100.0	208	100.0	119	100.0	104	100.0	29	100.0
Rape . . . . .	7	1.2	3	1.0	6	2.9	5	4.2	5	4.8	0	—
Robbery . . . . .	71	12.4	54	17.8	70	33.7	42	35.3	40	38.5	1	—
Burglary . . . . .	8	1.4	5	1.6	4	1.9	5	4.2	16	15.4	0	—
Argument . . . . .	355	62.0	173	56.9	88	42.3	42	35.3	21	20.2	6	—
Child abuse . . . . .	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	1	—
Gang-related . . . . .	4	.7	1	.3	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	—
Arson . . . . .	4	.7	1	.3	0	.0	1	.8	3	2.9	1	—
Narcotic drug laws . . . . .	29	5.1	10	3.3	1	.5	0	.0	0	.0	1	—
Other . . . . .	17	3.0	10	3.3	14	6.7	11	9.2	10	9.6	1	—
Unknown . . . . .	78	13.6	47	15.5	25	12.0	13	10.9	9	8.7	18	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

**TABLE 45**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983**  
Number of Victims and Offenders for Each Homicide Incident

Offenders for each homicide incident	Total	Victims	
		Single victim	Multiple victims
TOTAL . . . . .	2,640	2,450	190
Single offender . . . . .	1,467	1,349	118
Multiple offenders . . . . .	337	308	29
Number unknown . . . . .	836	793	43

**TABLE 46**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
Sex of Arrestee Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group

Sex of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,397	100.0	870	100.0	1,086	100.0	1,323	100.0	118	100.0
Male . . . . .	3,012	88.7	734	84.4	1,019	93.8	1,153	87.2	106	89.8
Female . . . . .	385	11.3	136	15.6	67	6.2	170	12.8	12	10.2
Juvenile . . . . .	281	100.0	52	100.0	124	100.0	95	100.0	10	100.0
Male . . . . .	255	90.7	42	80.8	118	95.2	87	91.6	8	—
Female . . . . .	26	9.3	10	19.2	6	4.8	8	8.4	2	—
Adult . . . . .	3,116	100.0	818	100.0	962	100.0	1,228	100.0	108	100.0
Male . . . . .	2,757	88.5	692	84.6	901	93.7	1,066	86.8	98	90.7
Female . . . . .	359	11.5	126	15.4	61	6.3	162	13.2	10	9.3

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Table 50.

**TABLE 47**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
Juvenile and Adult

	Total	Juvenile	Adult
Number . . . . .	3,397	281	3,116
Percent . . . . .	100.0	8.3	91.7

Source: Table 50.

**TABLE 48**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee Distributed by Sex

Sex of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,397	100.0	870	25.6	1,086	32.0	1,323	38.9	118	3.5
Male . . . . .	3,012	100.0	734	24.4	1,019	33.8	1,153	38.3	106	3.5
Female . . . . .	385	100.0	136	35.3	67	17.4	170	44.2	12	3.1
Juvenile . . . . .	281	100.0	52	18.5	124	44.1	95	33.8	10	3.6
Male . . . . .	255	100.0	42	16.5	118	46.3	87	34.1	8	3.1
Female . . . . .	26	100.0	10	—	6	—	8	—	2	—
Adult . . . . .	3,116	100.0	818	26.3	962	30.9	1,228	39.4	108	3.5
Male . . . . .	2,757	100.0	692	25.1	901	32.7	1,066	38.7	98	3.6
Female . . . . .	359	100.0	126	35.1	61	17.0	162	45.1	10	2.8

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Table 50.

**TABLE 49**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
**Age of Arrestee Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group**

Age of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,397	100.0	870	100.0	1,086	100.0	1,323	100.0	118	100.0
0-24 . . . . .	1,595	47.0	289	33.2	641	59.0	610	46.1	55	46.6
25-39 . . . . .	1,407	41.4	420	48.3	376	34.6	555	42.0	56	47.5
40 and over . . . . .	395	11.6	161	18.5	69	6.4	158	11.9	7	5.9

Source: Table 50.

**TABLE 50**  
**ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1983**  
**Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee Distributed by Sex and Age**

Sex and age of arrestee	Total	Race/ethnic group of arrestee			
		White (not Hispanic)	Hispanic	Black	All other
TOTAL . . . . .	3,397	870	1,086	1,323	118
Sex					
Male . . . . .	3,012	734	1,019	1,153	106
Female . . . . .	385	136	67	170	12
Juvenile <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	281	52	124	95	10
Male . . . . .	255	42	118	87	8
Female . . . . .	26	10	6	8	2
Adult . . . . .	3,116	818	962	1,228	108
Male . . . . .	2,757	692	901	1,066	98
Female . . . . .	359	126	61	162	10
Age					
0-14 . . . . .	27	5	14	7	1
15-19 . . . . .	677	129	282	240	26
20-24 . . . . .	891	155	345	363	28
25-29 . . . . .	666	174	191	271	30
30-34 . . . . .	458	146	115	182	15
35-39 . . . . .	283	100	70	102	11
40-44 . . . . .	147	55	27	60	5
45-49 . . . . .	96	33	28	34	1
50-54 . . . . .	57	28	7	21	1
55-59 . . . . .	37	18	1	18	0
60-64 . . . . .	29	11	5	13	0
65-69 . . . . .	14	7	0	7	0
70 and over . . . . .	15	9	1	5	0

<sup>a</sup>A person under 18 years of age.



**TABLE 51**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER**  
Type of Disposition Distributed by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Type of disposition					
			Released <sup>a</sup>		Complaints granted			
	Number	Percent			Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>3,440</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>2,078</b>	<b>60.4</b>
<b>Sex</b>								
Male . . . . .	3,066	100.0	663	21.6	501	16.3	1,902	62.0
Female . . . . .	374	100.0	105	28.1	93	24.9	176	47.1
<b>Race/ethnic group</b>								
White (not Hispanic). . . . .	1,053	100.0	175	16.6	171	16.2	707	67.1
Hispanic . . . . .	941	100.0	255	27.1	151	16.0	535	56.9
Black . . . . .	1,322	100.0	314	23.8	252	19.1	756	57.2
All other . . . . .	59	100.0	11	18.6	11	18.6	37	62.7
Unknown . . . . .	65	100.0	13	20.0	9	13.8	43	66.2
<b>Age</b>								
Under 40 . . . . .	2,984	100.0	680	22.8	513	17.2	1,791	60.0
40 and over . . . . .	456	100.0	88	19.3	81	17.8	287	62.9

<sup>a</sup>Total released by law enforcement and prosecutor (complaint denied).  
Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Tables 53, 54, and 55.

**TABLE 52**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND COMPLAINTS GRANTED**  
Type of Disposition Distributed by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Type of disposition			
			Dismissed or acquitted		Convicted	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>2,672</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>22.2</b>	<b>2,078</b>	<b>77.8</b>
<b>Sex</b>						
Male . . . . .	2,403	100.0	501	20.8	1,902	79.2
Female . . . . .	269	100.0	93	34.6	176	65.4
<b>Race/ethnic group</b>						
White (not Hispanic). . . . .	878	100.0	171	19.5	707	80.5
Hispanic . . . . .	686	100.0	151	22.0	535	78.0
Black . . . . .	1,008	100.0	252	25.0	756	75.0
All other . . . . .	48	100.0	11	—	37	—
Unknown . . . . .	52	100.0	9	17.3	43	82.7
<b>Age</b>						
Under 40 . . . . .	2,304	100.0	513	22.3	1,791	77.7
40 and over . . . . .	368	100.0	81	22.0	287	78.0

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Tables 53, 54, and 55.

**TABLE 53**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER**  
Type of Disposition Distributed by Sex of Arrestee

Type of disposition	Total		Sex of arrestee			
			Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>3,440</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Not convicted</b> . . . . .	<b>1,362</b>	<b>39.6</b>	<b>1,164</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>52.9</b>
Released by law enforcement . . . . .	357	10.4	318	10.4	39	10.4
Released by prosecutor (complaint denied) . . . . .	411	11.9	345	11.3	66	17.6
Dismissed, lower court . . . . .	319	9.3	271	8.8	48	12.8
Acquitted, lower court . . . . .	4	.1	4	.1	0	.0
Dismissed, superior court . . . . .	144	4.2	120	3.9	24	6.4
Acquitted, superior court . . . . .	127	3.7	106	3.5	21	5.6
<b>Convicted</b> . . . . .	<b>2,078</b>	<b>60.4</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>62.0</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>47.1</b>
Lower court . . . . .	155	4.5	139	4.5	16	4.3
Superior court . . . . .	1,923	55.9	1,763	57.5	160	42.8

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 54  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Type of Disposition Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

Type of disposition	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,440	100.0	1,053	100.0	941	100.0	1,322	100.0	59	100.0	65	100.0
Not convicted . . . . .	1,362	39.6	346	32.9	406	43.1	566	42.8	22	37.3	22	33.8
Released by law enforcement . . . . .	357	10.4	73	6.9	128	13.6	147	11.1	3	5.1	6	9.2
Released by prosecutor (complaint denied) . . . . .	411	11.9	102	9.7	127	13.5	167	12.6	8	13.6	7	10.8
Dismissed, lower court . . . . .	319	9.3	76	7.2	102	10.8	130	9.8	6	10.2	5	7.7
Acquitted, lower court . . . . .	4	.1	2	.2	0	.0	2	.2	0	.0	0	.0
Dismissed, superior court . . . . .	144	4.2	49	4.7	32	3.4	58	4.4	4	6.8	1	1.5
Acquitted, superior court . . . . .	127	3.7	44	4.2	17	1.8	62	4.7	1	1.7	3	4.6
Convicted . . . . .	2,078	60.4	707	67.1	535	56.9	756	57.2	37	62.7	43	66.2
Lower court . . . . .	155	4.5	67	6.4	60	6.4	22	1.7	6	10.2	0	.0
Superior court . . . . .	1,923	55.9	640	60.8	475	50.5	734	55.5	31	52.5	43	66.2

TABLE 55  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Type of Disposition Distributed by Age of Arrestee

Type of disposition	Total		Age of arrestee											
			Under 20		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	3,440	100.0	384	100.0	999	100.0	777	100.0	509	100.0	315	100.0	456	100.0
Not convicted . . . . .	1,362	39.6	171	44.5	393	39.3	310	39.9	204	40.1	115	36.5	169	37.1
Released by law enforcement . . . . .	357	10.4	57	14.8	108	10.8	85	10.9	48	9.4	16	5.1	43	9.4
Released by prosecutor (complaint denied) . . . . .	411	11.9	57	14.8	124	12.4	79	10.2	61	12.0	45	14.3	45	9.9
Dismissed, lower court . . . . .	319	9.3	44	11.5	85	8.5	77	9.9	48	9.4	26	8.3	39	8.6
Acquitted, lower court . . . . .	4	.1	0	.0	1	.1	2	.3	1	.2	0	.0	0	.0
Dismissed, superior court . . . . .	144	4.2	7	1.8	39	3.9	37	4.8	20	3.9	19	6.0	22	4.8
Acquitted, superior court . . . . .	127	3.7	6	1.6	36	3.6	30	3.9	26	5.1	9	2.9	20	4.4
Convicted . . . . .	2,078	60.4	213	55.5	606	60.7	467	60.1	305	59.9	200	63.5	287	62.9
Lower court . . . . .	155	4.5	10	2.6	53	5.3	28	3.6	23	4.5	18	5.7	23	5.0
Superior court . . . . .	1,923	55.9	203	52.9	553	55.4	439	56.5	282	55.4	182	57.8	264	57.9

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.



**TABLE 56**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Convicted Offense Distributed by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee**

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Convicted offense			
			Murder		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	588	28.3	1,490	71.7
Sex						
Male . . . . .	1,902	100.0	562	29.5	1,340	70.5
Female . . . . .	176	100.0	26	14.8	150	85.2
Race/ethnic group						
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	707	100.0	228	32.2	479	67.8
Hispanic . . . . .	535	100.0	129	24.1	406	75.9
Black . . . . .	756	100.0	210	27.8	546	72.2
All other . . . . .	37	100.0	11	—	26	—
Unknown . . . . .	43	100.0	10	—	33	—
Age						
Under 20 . . . . .	213	100.0	76	35.7	137	64.3
20—39 . . . . .	1,578	100.0	452	28.6	1,126	71.4
40 and over . . . . .	287	100.0	60	20.9	227	79.1

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Source: Tables 58, 59, and 60.

**TABLE 57**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Convicted Offense**

Convicted offense	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0
Murder . . . . .	588	28.3
Manslaughter . . . . .	469	22.6
Other . . . . .	1,021	49.1
Felony assault . . . . .	706	34.0
Robbery . . . . .	89	4.3
Other . . . . .	226	10.9

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotal because of rounding.

**TABLE 58**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Convicted Offense Distributed by Sex of Arrestee**

Convicted offense	Total		Sex of arrestee			
			Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	1,902	100.0	176	100.0
Murder . . . . .	588	28.3	562	29.5	26	14.8
Manslaughter . . . . .	469	22.6	412	21.7	57	32.4
Other . . . . .	1,021	49.1	928	48.8	93	52.8
Felony assault . . . . .	706	34.0	638	33.5	68	38.6
Robbery . . . . .	89	4.3	82	4.3	7	4.0
Other . . . . .	226	10.9	208	10.9	18	10.2

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.



TABLE 59  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense Distributed by Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

Convicted offense	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknowr.	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	707	100.0	535	100.0	756	100.0	37	100.0	43	100.0
Murder . . . . .	588	28.3	228	32.2	129	24.1	210	27.8	11	—	10	—
Manslaughter . . . . .	469	22.6	129	18.2	122	22.8	197	26.1	9	—	12	—
Other . . . . .	1,021	49.1	350	49.5	284	53.1	349	46.2	17	—	21	—
Felony assault . . . . .	706	34.0	238	33.7	203	37.9	240	31.7	12	—	13	—
Robbery . . . . .	89	4.3	27	3.8	18	3.4	42	5.6	1	—	1	—
Other . . . . .	226	10.9	85	12.0	63	11.8	67	8.8	4	—	7	—

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 60  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense Distributed by Age of Arrestee

Convicted offense	Total		Age of arrestee											
			Under 20		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	213	100.0	606	100.0	467	100.0	305	100.0	200	100.0	287	100.0
Murder . . . . .	588	28.3	76	35.7	160	26.4	142	30.4	89	29.2	61	30.5	60	20.9
Manslaughter . . . . .	469	22.6	28	13.1	130	21.5	103	22.1	65	21.3	49	24.5	94	32.8
Other . . . . .	1,021	49.1	109	51.2	316	52.1	222	47.5	151	49.5	90	45.0	133	46.3
Felony assault . . . . .	706	34.0	69	32.4	196	32.3	148	31.7	114	37.4	69	34.5	110	38.3
Robbery . . . . .	89	4.3	12	5.6	35	5.8	24	5.1	8	2.6	4	2.0	6	2.1
Other . . . . .	226	10.9	28	13.1	85	14.0	50	10.7	29	9.5	17	8.5	17	5.9

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.

**TABLE 61**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Type of Sentence Received Distributed by Convicted Offense**

Type of sentence	Total		Convicted offense			
			Murder		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	588	100.0	1,490	100.0
Prison or Youth Authority <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	1,417	68.2	581	98.8	836	56.1
All other . . . . .	661	31.8	7	1.2	654	43.9

<sup>a</sup>Prison includes 34 death penalty sentences.  
Source: Table 62.

**TABLE 62**  
**DISPOSITIONS IN 1983 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED**  
**Type of Sentence Received Distributed by Convicted Offense**

Type of sentence	Total		Convicted offense									
			Murder		Manslaughter		Robbery		Felony assault		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	2,078	100.0	588	100.0	469	100.0	89	100.0	706	100.0	226	100.0
Prison <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	1,378	66.3	566	96.3	350	74.6	78	87.6	284	40.2	100	44.2
Youth Authority . . . . .	39	1.9	15	2.6	11	2.3	4	4.5	6	.8	3	1.3
Probation . . . . .	122	5.9	1	.2	24	5.1	0	.0	69	9.8	28	12.4
Probation with jail . . . . .	494	23.8	5	.8	84	17.9	7	7.9	315	44.6	83	36.7
Jail . . . . .	44	2.1	1	.2	0	.0	0	.0	31	4.4	12	5.3
Fine . . . . .	1	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	1	.1	0	.0
California Rehabilitation Center . . . . .	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
Other . . . . .	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0

<sup>a</sup>includes 34 death penalty sentences.  
Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**TABLE 63**  
**PEACE OFFICERS KILLED**  
**IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1983**  
**Contributing Circumstance**

Contributing circumstance	
TOTAL . . . . .	9
Criminal acts . . . . .	4
Robbery . . . . .	1
Drug related . . . . .	3
Noncriminal acts . . . . .	5
Traffic stop . . . . .	1
Other . . . . .	4

**TABLE 64**  
**PEACE OFFICERS KILLED**  
**IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1983**  
**Wound Area Distributed by Type of Weapon**

Type of weapon	Total	Head	Upper torso	Multiple	Other, unknown
TOTAL . . . . .	9	4	1	2	2
Handgun . . . . .	6	3	0	1	2
Rifle . . . . .	1	0	1	0	0
Shotgun . . . . .	1	1	0	0	0
Other . . . . .	1	0	0	1	0

**TABLE 65**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1983**  
**Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased**

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	78	100.0
<b>Sex</b>		
Male . . . . .	76	97.4
Female . . . . .	2	2.6
<b>Race/ethnic group</b>		
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	29	37.2
Hispanic . . . . .	22	28.2
Black . . . . .	21	26.9
All other . . . . .	1	1.3
Unknown . . . . .	5	6.4
<b>Age</b>		
Under 15 . . . . .	0	.0
15-19 . . . . .	5	6.4
20-24 . . . . .	15	19.2
25-29 . . . . .	15	19.2
30-34 . . . . .	20	25.6
35-39 . . . . .	10	12.8
40-44 . . . . .	10	12.8
45-49 . . . . .	0	.0
50-54 . . . . .	2	2.6
55-59 . . . . .	0	.0
60-64 . . . . .	0	.0
65-69 . . . . .	0	.0
70 and over . . . . .	1	1.3
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0
<b>Race/ethnic group</b>	73	100.0
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	29	39.7
Hispanic . . . . .	22	30.1
Black . . . . .	21	28.8
All other . . . . .	1	1.4
<b>Age</b>	78	100.0
Under 20 . . . . .	5	6.4
20-29 . . . . .	30	38.5
30-39 . . . . .	30	38.5
40 and over . . . . .	13	16.7

Notes: The race/ethnic group distribution in the lower portion of this table excludes unknown data.  
 Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**TABLE 66**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1983**  
**Location of Homicide**

Location of homicide	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	78	100.0
Victim's residence . . . . .	18	23.1
Other residence . . . . .	5	6.4
Hotel, motel . . . . .	0	.0
Liquor business <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	0	.0
Other business . . . . .	8	10.3
Parking lot . . . . .	0	.0
Street, sidewalk . . . . .	42	53.8
Park, school, field . . . . .	1	1.3
In vehicle . . . . .	3	3.8
Other . . . . .	1	1.3
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0
Victim's residence . . . . .	18	23.1
Other residence . . . . .	5	6.4
Liquor or other business . . . . .	8	10.3
Street, sidewalk . . . . .	42	53.8
All other . . . . .	5	6.4

<sup>a</sup>Liquor stores, bars, and cocktail lounges.



**TABLE 67**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1983**  
 Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	78	100.0
Handgun . . . . .	55	70.5
Rifle . . . . .	4	5.1
Shotgun . . . . .	17	21.8
Personal weapon <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	2	2.6

<sup>a</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

**TABLE 68**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1983**  
 Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	78	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer . . . . .	31	39.7
Felon attacked citizen . . . . .	2	2.6
Felon attempted flight from crime . . . . .	5	6.4
Felon killed in commission of crime . . . . .	25	32.1
Felon resisted arrest . . . . .	15	19.2
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0

**TABLE 69**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE**  
**CITIZENS, 1983**  
 Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	84	100.0
Sex		
Male . . . . .	83	98.8
Female . . . . .	1	1.2
Race/ethnic group		
White (not Hispanic) . . . . .	21	25.0
Hispanic . . . . .	20	23.8
Black . . . . .	41	48.8
All other . . . . .	2	2.4
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0
Age		
Under 15 . . . . .	0	.0
15-19 . . . . .	17	20.2
20-24 . . . . .	18	21.4
25-29 . . . . .	24	28.6
30-34 . . . . .	10	11.9
35-39 . . . . .	4	4.8
40-44 . . . . .	4	4.8
45-49 . . . . .	5	6.0
50-54 . . . . .	1	1.2
55-59 . . . . .	1	1.2
60-64 . . . . .	0	.0
65-69 . . . . .	0	.0
70 and over . . . . .	0	.0
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0
Age . . . . .	84	100.0
Under 20 . . . . .	17	20.2
20-29 . . . . .	42	50.0
30-39 . . . . .	14	16.7
40 and over . . . . .	11	13.1

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**TABLE 70**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY**  
**PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983**  
 Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	84	100.0
Victim's residence . . . . .	7	8.3
Citizen's residence . . . . .	31	36.9
Other residence . . . . .	2	2.4
Hotel, motel . . . . .	2	2.4
Liquor business <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	8	9.5
Other business . . . . .	9	10.7
Parking lot . . . . .	3	3.6
Street, sidewalk . . . . .	15	17.9
Park, school, field . . . . .	2	2.4
In vehicle . . . . .	2	2.4
Other . . . . .	3	3.6
Unknown . . . . .	0	.0
Citizen's residence . . . . .	31	36.9
Liquor or other business . . . . .	17	20.2
Street, sidewalk . . . . .	15	17.9
All other . . . . .	21	25.0

<sup>a</sup>Liquor stores, bars, and cocktail lounges.

**TABLE 71**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY**  
**PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983**  
 Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	84	100.0
Handgun . . . . .	57	67.9
Rifle . . . . .	6	7.1
Shotgun . . . . .	9	10.7
Firearm — unknown . . . . .	1	1.2
Knife . . . . .	9	10.7
Other . . . . .	2	2.4

**TABLE 72**  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY**  
**PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1983**  
 Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
TOTAL . . . . .	84	100.0
Felon attacked citizen . . . . .	17	20.2
Felon attempted flight from crime . . . . .	2	2.4
Felon killed in commission of crime . . . . .	64	76.2
Felon resisted arrest . . . . .	1	1.2

**TABLE 73**  
**RELATIONSHIP OF VICTIM TO OFFENDER IN HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1980-1982**  
**Number and Percent of Initial and Follow-Up Cases**

	Initial		After follow-up	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	9,323	100.0	9,323	100.0
Friend, acquaintance . . . . .	2,268	24.3	4,171	44.7
Stranger . . . . .	939	10.1	2,596	27.8
Family <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	1,108	11.9	1,235	13.2
Other <sup>b</sup> . . . . .	395	4.2	718	7.7
Unknown . . . . .	4,613	49.5	603	6.5

<sup>a</sup>Family includes spouse, parent, child, sibling, and other relative.

<sup>b</sup>Other includes gang member and peace officer.

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 74.

**TABLE 74**  
**RELATIONSHIP OF VICTIM TO OFFENDER IN HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1980-1982**  
**Number and Percent of Initial and Follow-Up Cases by Year**

	Total 1980-1982				1980				1981				1982			
	Initial		After follow-up		Initial		After follow-up		Initial		After follow-up		Initial		After follow-up	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	9,323	100.0	9,323	100.0	3,405	100.0	3,405	100.0	3,140	100.0	3,140	100.0	2,778	100.0	2,778	100.0
Friend, acquaintance . . . . .	2,268	24.3	4,171	44.7	513	15.1	1,490	43.8	914	29.1	1,412	45.0	841	30.3	1,269	45.7
Spouse . . . . .	552	5.9	591	6.3	179	5.3	193	5.7	202	6.4	217	6.9	171	6.2	181	6.5
Parent, child . . . . .	338	3.6	376	4.0	94	2.8	115	3.4	124	3.9	132	4.2	120	4.3	129	4.6
Sibling . . . . .	77	.8	83	.9	21	.6	26	.8	25	.8	25	.8	31	1.1	32	1.2
Other relative . . . . .	141	1.5	185	2.0	33	1.0	45	1.3	48	1.5	58	1.8	60	2.2	82	3.0
Stranger . . . . .	939	10.1	2,596	27.8	48	1.4	1,021	30.0	419	13.3	834	26.6	472	17.0	741	26.7
Gang member . . . . .	374	4.0	697	7.5	74	2.2	277	8.1	164	5.2	247	7.9	136	4.9	173	6.2
Peace officer . . . . .	21	.2	21	.2	7	.2	7	.2	8	.3	8	.3	6	.2	6	.2
Unknown . . . . .	4,613	49.5	603	6.5	2,436	71.5	231	6.8	1,236	39.4	207	6.6	941	33.9	165	5.9

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.



TABLE 75  
HOMICIDES IN THE UNITED STATES, 1980

State	1980 population	Homicides <sup>a</sup>	Rate per 100,000 population
TOTAL . . . . .	225,349,264	23,044	10.2
Alabama . . . . .	3,861,466	509	13.2
Alaska . . . . .	400,142	39	9.7
Arizona . . . . .	2,715,357	279	10.3
Arkansas . . . . .	2,284,037	210	9.2
California <sup>b</sup> . . . . .	23,532,680	3,411	14.5
Colorado . . . . .	2,878,407	198	6.9
Connecticut . . . . .	3,095,224	146	4.7
Delaware . . . . .	594,779	41	6.9
District of Columbia <sup>c</sup> . . . . .	635,233	200	31.5
Florida . . . . .	9,567,112	1,387	14.5
Georgia . . . . .	5,400,851	743	13.8
Hawaii . . . . .	964,680	84	8.7
Idaho . . . . .	943,629	29	3.1
Illinois . . . . .	11,355,062	1,205	10.6
Indiana . . . . .	5,461,103	485	8.9
Iowa . . . . .	2,907,804	63	2.2
Kansas . . . . .	2,354,783	163	6.9
Kentucky . . . . .	3,641,479	321	8.8
Louisiana . . . . .	4,199,542	661	15.7
Maine . . . . .	1,123,670	32	2.8
Maryland . . . . .	4,192,211	399	9.5
Massachusetts . . . . .	5,728,288	232	4.1
Michigan . . . . .	9,228,128	940	10.2
Minnesota . . . . .	4,061,235	106	2.6
Mississippi . . . . .	2,511,491	365	14.5
Missouri . . . . .	4,901,288	544	11.1
Montana . . . . .	781,592	31	4.0
Nebraska . . . . .	1,563,921	69	4.4
Nevada . . . . .	800,312	160	20.0
New Hampshire . . . . .	919,114	23	2.5
New Jersey . . . . .	7,342,164	504	6.9
New Mexico . . . . .	1,295,474	170	13.1
New York . . . . .	17,506,690	2,228	12.7
North Carolina . . . . .	5,843,665	619	10.6
North Dakota . . . . .	652,437	8	1.2
Ohio . . . . .	10,766,808	871	8.1
Oklahoma . . . . .	3,001,252	299	10.0
Oregon . . . . .	2,610,477	132	5.1
Pennsylvania . . . . .	11,824,220	809	6.8
Rhode Island . . . . .	945,835	42	4.4
South Carolina . . . . .	3,064,557	348	11.4
South Dakota . . . . .	688,217	5	.7
Tennessee . . . . .	4,545,590	489	10.8
Texas . . . . .	14,169,829	2,392	16.9
Utah . . . . .	1,458,729	55	3.8
Vermont . . . . .	511,299	11	2.2
Virginia . . . . .	5,323,412	459	8.6
Washington . . . . .	4,113,331	225	5.5
West Virginia . . . . .	1,930,787	138	7.1
Wisconsin . . . . .	4,680,917	136	2.9
Wyoming . . . . .	468,954	29	6.2

<sup>a</sup>When law enforcement agencies do not provide full-year data, estimates have been made to represent the total homicide counts at state levels.

<sup>b</sup>California homicides were estimated. The actual 1980 homicide count was 3,405.

<sup>c</sup>For this analysis the District of Columbia is treated as a state.

Source: *Crime in the United States, 1980* published by the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

TABLE 76  
INTERNATIONAL HOMICIDE STATISTICS, 1980<sup>a</sup>

Country	1980 population <sup>b</sup>	Actual homicides <sup>c</sup>	Rate per 100,000 population
Australia . . . . .	14,647,100	364	2.5
Austria . . . . .	7,503,300	74	1.0
Belgium . . . . .	9,860,000	142	1.4
Burma . . . . .	30,000,000	1,845	6.2
Burundi . . . . .	4,400,000	80	1.8
Canada . . . . .	24,500,000	631	2.6
Chile . . . . .	11,198,789	638	5.7
China (Republic of) . . . . .	17,640,000	1,411	8.0
Costa Rica . . . . .	2,245,437	100	4.5
Denmark . . . . .	5,122,065	73	1.4
Egypt . . . . .	41,277,000	881	2.1
Finland . . . . .	4,787,750	114	2.4
France . . . . .	53,589,000	2,084	3.9
Germany (Federal Republic of) <sup>d</sup> . . . . .	61,560,700	858	1.4
Greece . . . . .	9,700,000	67	.7
Hong Kong . . . . .	5,029,200	86	1.7
Hungary . . . . .	10,700,000	369	3.4
India . . . . .	651,000,000	21,610	3.3
Indonesia . . . . .	147,383,075	1,723	1.2
Iraq . . . . .	13,189,803	1,697	12.9
Ireland . . . . .	3,395,067	20	.6
Israel . . . . .	3,900,000	80	2.1
Japan <sup>e</sup> . . . . .	117,057,485	963	.8
Jordan . . . . .	2,152,273	26	1.2
Korea (Republic of) . . . . .	37,449,000	527	1.4
Kuwait . . . . .	1,355,827	17	1.3
Lebanon . . . . .	3,000,000	555	18.5
Lesotho . . . . .	1,302,000	963	74.0
Malawi . . . . .	6,000,000	192	3.2
Malaysia . . . . .	14,097,265	201	1.4
Morocco . . . . .	20,000,000	428	2.1
Netherlands . . . . .	14,091,014	1,501	10.7
New Zealand . . . . .	3,148,500	54	1.7
Nigeria . . . . .	55,000,000	1,633	3.0
Norway . . . . .	4,078,900	31	.8
Papua, New Guinea . . . . .	3,006,799	179	6.0
Peru . . . . .	17,779,490	392	2.2
Philippines . . . . .	49,630,135	6,596	13.3
Rwanda . . . . .	5,000,000	528	10.6
Singapore . . . . .	2,430,200	62	2.6
Spain <sup>f</sup> . . . . .	37,773,866	438	1.2
Sri Lanka . . . . .	14,850,000	578	3.9
Sudan . . . . .	17,000,000	978	5.8
Sweden . . . . .	8,317,937	134	1.6
Syria . . . . .	8,815,912	413	4.7
Tunisia . . . . .	6,000,000	47	.8
Turkey . . . . .	45,000,000	2,258	5.0
United Arab Emirates . . . . .	1,043,225	35	3.4
United Kingdom (England and Wales) . . . . .	49,244,300	620	1.3
United Kingdom (Northern Ireland) . . . . .	1,543,300	93	6.0
United States of America <sup>g</sup> . . . . .	225,349,264	23,044	10.2
Venezuela . . . . .	13,913,218	1,881	13.5
Zambia . . . . .	5,649,808	181	3.2

<sup>a</sup>Selected countries are Interpol members with populations over one million who voluntarily submitted 1980 data.

<sup>b</sup>Populations shown are as reported by the various countries.

<sup>c</sup>Actual homicide counts are calculated from data provided in the Interpol publication. Attempted murder counts were included with actuals and a percent attempted figure was provided. To arrive at the above "actual homicide" count, the percent attempts were removed by BCS personnel.

<sup>d</sup>Includes West Berlin.

<sup>e</sup>Count includes homicide, killing an ascendant, infanticide, preparations for committing the above crimes, and participation in suicide.

<sup>f</sup>Includes attempted murders.

<sup>g</sup>Homicide count includes estimates for individual states not providing full-year data.

Notes: Differences that exist between legal definitions in various countries were not considered. Countries may differ in methods of calculation and collection. Any changes which may have occurred in the countries concerned during the reference period are not considered. Data given are not intended for use as a basis for comparisons between different countries.

Source: *International Crime Statistics, 1979-1980* published by the International Criminal Police Organization.