

Table 3.118

Percent distribution of murders and nonnegligent manslaughters known to police

By type of weapon used and region, 2002

Region	Total ^a	Type of weapon used			
		Firearm	Knife or other cutting instrument	Unknown or other dangerous weapon	Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) ^b
Total	100.0%	66.7%	12.6%	14.1%	6.6%
Northeast	100.0	62.6	17.4	12.6	7.5
Midwest	100.0	66.4	10.3	16.5	6.8
South	100.0	66.9	12.1	14.6	6.4
West	100.0	68.9	12.3	12.4	6.4

Note: See Notes, [tables 3.106](#) and [3.117](#). In this table, strangulations are classified in the "unknown or other dangerous weapon" category rather than in the category "personal weapons," as was done in [table 3.117](#). For a list of States in regions, see [Appendix 3](#).

^aBecause of rounding, percents may not add to total.

^bIncludes "pushed."

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2002* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2003), p. 23, Table 2.9.