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Murders and nonnegligent manslaughters known to police

By type of weapon used and age of victim, United States, 2007

Age of victim	Total	Type of weapon used										
		Firearm	Knife or other cutting instrument	Blunt object (club, hammer, etc.)	Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) ^a	Poison	Explosives	Fire	Narcotics	Strangulation	Asphyxiation	Other weapon or not stated ^b
Total	14,831	10,086	1,796	647	854	10	1	130	49	134	108	1,016
Under 18 years ^c	1,554	806	127	61	303	4	0	25	14	22	33	159
Under 22 years ^c	3,758	2,642	307	98	345	4	0	30	19	36	38	239
18 years and older ^c	13,013	9,148	1,655	573	528	6	1	97	35	110	73	787
Infant (under 1 year)	210	9	4	9	122	0	0	3	3	4	15	41
1 to 4 years	322	35	9	32	143	0	0	8	6	7	10	72
5 to 8 years	88	35	9	4	14	1	0	6	1	4	5	9
9 to 12 years	75	36	11	3	8	2	0	4	1	1	1	8
13 to 16 years	487	376	62	8	11	1	0	3	1	3	2	20
17 to 19 years	1,443	1,229	110	24	22	0	0	2	6	8	1	41
20 to 24 years	2,733	2,234	243	45	59	1	1	8	7	13	10	112
25 to 29 years	2,215	1,773	206	41	51	0	0	11	2	24	10	97
30 to 34 years	1,651	1,254	206	35	41	0	0	17	3	10	5	80
35 to 39 years	1,243	821	199	64	56	1	0	6	4	7	8	77
40 to 44 years	1,127	697	169	73	60	0	0	17	3	16	8	84
45 to 49 years	960	547	175	67	61	1	0	9	2	11	9	78
50 to 54 years	698	360	126	57	66	1	0	6	5	6	9	62
55 to 59 years	451	202	85	55	39	1	0	9	0	5	0	55
60 to 64 years	292	129	56	43	25	0	0	2	1	0	4	32
65 to 69 years	181	83	33	28	11	0	0	3	0	4	0	19
70 to 74 years	130	62	28	9	12	0	0	3	0	0	2	14
75 years and older	261	72	51	37	30	1	0	5	4	9	7	45
Unknown	264	132	14	13	23	0	0	8	0	2	2	70

Note: These data were compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. On a monthly basis, law enforcement agencies (police, sheriffs, and State police) report the number of offenses that become known to them in the following crime categories: murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. A count of these crimes is taken from records of all complaints of crime received by law enforcement agencies from victims or other sources and/or from officers who discovered the offenses. Whenever complaints of crime are determined through investigation to be unfounded or false, they are eliminated from an agency's count (Source: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2007/about/table_methodology.html).

The Uniform Crime Reporting Program requests that supplementary information be transmitted to the FBI when a murder or nonnegligent manslaughter has been committed. The actual number of offenses presented in the tables displaying characteristics of murders and nonnegligent

manslaughters known to the police may differ from figures in other tables that reflect data from only the initial report of the offense. For example, supplementary data were provided by contributing agencies for 14,831 of the estimated total of 16,929 murders and nonnegligent manslaughters in 2007 (Source, **2007**, Expanded Homicide Data Table 8 and http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2007/offenses/violent_crime/murder_homicide.html).

^aIncludes "pushed."

^bIncludes drownings.

^cDoes not include unknown ages.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, **Crime in the United States, 2007**, Expanded Homicide Data Table 8 [Online]. Available: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2007/offenses/expanded_information/data/shrtable_08.html [Jan. 21, 2009].