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Murders and nonnegligent manslaughters known to police

By victim-offender relationship and circumstances of the offense, United States, 2007

(- represents zero)

Circumstances	Total	Relationship of victim to offender ^a									
		Husband ^b	Wife ^b	Mother ^c	Father ^c	Son ^c	Daughter ^c	Brother ^c	Sister ^c	Other family	Acquaintance ^d
Total	14,831	138	573	94	107	240	235	93	26	264	3,061
Felony type, total	2,184	6	7	10	7	13	13	9	6	17	478
Rape	31	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	8
Robbery	924	1	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	2	143
Burglary	86	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	20
Larceny-theft	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
Motor vehicle theft	20	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Arson	58	1	-	4	4	-	-	4	2	2	13
Prostitution and commercialized vice	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other sex offenses	9	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	5
Narcotic drug laws	583	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	217
Gambling	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other - not specified	447	4	5	2	2	12	12	3	2	7	59
Suspected felony type	67	-	1	-	-	4	4	-	-	1	8
Other than felony type, total	7,105	109	487	66	78	191	184	70	17	209	2,065
Romantic triangle	105	1	12	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	57
Child killed by babysitter	34	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	29
Brawl due to influence of alcohol	117	-	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	9	33
Brawl due to influence of narcotics	61	-	3	-	-	2	4	-	1	1	25
Argument over money or property	192	1	5	3	5	1	-	4	2	8	112
Other arguments	3,645	82	312	36	46	31	26	57	8	117	1,190
Gangland killings	77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Juvenile gang killings	676	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	125
Institutional killings	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Sniper attack	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other - not specified	2,186	25	152	27	24	154	153	8	6	73	468
Unknown	5,475	23	78	18	22	32	34	14	3	37	510

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). "Felony type" refers to killings that occur in conjunction with the commission of another felony, such as robbery or burglary.

^aColumn headers refer to victims.

^bIncludes common-law and ex-spouses.

^cIncludes stepparents, stepchildren, and stepsiblings.

^dIncludes homosexual relationships and the composite category of other known to victim.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, **Crime in the United States, 2007**, Expanded Homicide Data Table 9 [Online]. Available: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2007/offenses/expanded_information/data/shrttable_09.html [Jan. 21, 2009]. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

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Friend	Boyfriend	Girlfriend	Neighbor	Employee	Employer	Stranger	Unknown relationship
483	150	471	110	5	9	1,924	6,848
66	5	15	21	2	1	557	951
-	-	-	1	-	-	10	9
16	2	1	10	2	1	366	376
2	-	2	5	-	-	28	26
-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3
1	-	-	-	-	-	3	8
-	-	1	1	-	-	9	17
2	-	-	-	-	-	5	3
-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
39	-	-	-	-	-	62	260
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
5	2	11	3	-	-	70	248
1	-	4	-	-	-	5	39
352	127	382	77	2	7	936	1,746
6	3	8	-	-	-	8	7
1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
16	3	3	2	-	-	29	16
2	-	1	-	-	-	9	13
14	-	2	8	-	1	7	19
237	92	286	49	2	4	448	622
1	-	-	2	-	-	15	40
10	-	-	-	-	-	154	386
-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	0	1
65	29	82	15	-	2	264	639
64	18	70	12	1	1	426	4,112