

Table 3.123

Percent distribution of murders and nonnegligent manslaughters known to police

By race of victim, United States, 1964-2002

| | Number of murders and nonnegligent manslaughters | Total ^a | Race of victim | | |
|-------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| | | | White | Black | All other (including race unknown) |
| 1964 | 7,990 | 100% | 45% | 54% | 1% |
| 1965 | 8,773 | 100 | 45 | 54 | 1 |
| 1966 | 9,552 | 100 | 45 | 54 | 1 |
| 1967 | 11,114 | 100 | 45 | 54 | 1 |
| 1968 | 12,503 | 100 | 45 | 54 | 1 |
| 1969 | 13,575 | 100 | 44 | 55 | 2 |
| 1970 | 13,649 | 100 | 44 | 55 | 1 |
| 1971 | 16,183 | 100 | 44 | 55 | 2 |
| 1972 | 15,832 | 100 | 45 | 53 | 2 |
| 1973 | 17,123 | 100 | 47 | 52 | 1 |
| 1974 | 18,632 | 100 | 48 | 50 | 2 |
| 1975 | 18,642 | 100 | 51 | 47 | 2 |
| 1976 | 16,605 | 100 | 51 | 47 | 2 |
| 1977 | 18,033 | 100 | 52 | 45 | 2 |
| 1978 | 18,714 | 100 | 54 | 44 | 2 |
| 1979 | 20,591 | 100 | 54 | 43 | 2 |
| 1980 | 21,860 | 100 | 53 | 42 | 4 |
| 1981 | 20,053 | 100 | 54 | 44 | 2 |
| 1982 | 19,485 | 100 | 55 | 42 | 2 |
| 1983 | 18,673 | 100 | 55 | 42 | 3 |
| 1984 | 16,689 | 100 | 56 | 41 | 3 |
| 1985 | 17,545 | 100 | 56 | 42 | 3 |
| 1986 | 19,257 | 100 | 53 | 44 | 3 |
| 1987 | 17,859 | 100 | 52 | 45 | 3 |
| 1988 | 18,269 | 100 | 49 | 48 | 3 |
| 1989 | 18,954 | 100 | 48 | 49 | 3 |
| 1990 | 20,045 | 100 | 48 | 49 | 3 |
| 1991 | 21,505 | 100 | 47 | 50 | 2 |
| 1992 | 22,540 | 100 | 47 | 50 | 3 |
| 1993 | 23,271 | 100 | 46 | 51 | 3 |
| 1994 | 22,076 | 100 | 46 | 51 | 3 |
| 1995 | 20,043 | 100 | 48 | 48 | 4 |
| 1996 | 15,848 | 100 | 48 | 48 | 4 |
| 1997 | 15,289 | 100 | 48 | 48 | 4 |
| 1998 | 14,088 | 100 | 49 | 47 | 4 |
| 1999 | 12,658 | 100 | 49 | 46 | 4 |
| 2000 | 12,943 | 100 | 48 | 48 | 4 |
| 2001 ^b | 13,752 | 100 | 49 | 47 | 4 |
| 2002 | 14,054 | 100 | 48 | 48 | 4 |

Note: See Notes, tables 3.106 and 3.117. For information on States supplying incomplete data for selected years, see Appendix 3.

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

^bThe murders and nonnegligent manslaughters that occurred as a result of the events of Sept. 11, 2001 are not included in this table.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 1964*, p. 104, Table 17; *1965*, p. 106, Table 17; *1966*, p. 107, Table 21; *1967*, p. 112, Table 21; *1968*, p. 108, Table 21; *1969*, p. 106, Table 22; *1970*, p. 118, Table 22; *1971*, p. 114, Table 21; *1972*, p. 118, Table 25; *1973*, p. 8; *1974*, p. 17; *1975*, p. 17; *1976*, p. 11; *1977*, p. 12; *1978*, p. 9; *1979*, p. 10; *1980*, p. 11; *1981*, p. 10; *1982*, p. 8; *1983*, p. 8; *1984*, p. 8; *1985*, p. 9; *1986*, p. 9; *1987*, p. 9; *1988*, p. 11; *1989*, p. 10; *1990*, p. 11; *1991*, p. 16, Table 2.4; *1992*, p. 16, Table 2.4; *1993*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *1994*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *1995*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *1996*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *1997*, p. 18, Table 2.5; *1998*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *1999*, p. 16, Table 2.5; *2000*, p. 17, Table 2.5; *2001*, p. 21, Table 2.5; *2002*, p. 21, Table 2.5 (Washington, DC: USGPO). Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.