

Table 3.127

Estimated rate (per 100,000 persons in each group) of offenders committing murder and nonnegligent manslaughter

By age, sex, and race of offender, United States, 1976-2002

	Age						Sex		Race		
	13 years and younger	14 to 17 years	18 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 49 years	50 years and older	Male	Female	White	Black	Other
	1976	0.2	11.4	22.9	19.4	10.7	3.7	16.3	3.0	4.9	46.5
1977	0.2	10.7	22.8	18.6	10.9	3.7	16.3	2.9	5.1	44.3	4.9
1978	0.3	10.5	24.0	18.9	10.9	3.5	16.9	2.7	5.3	44.5	3.8
1979	0.2	12.3	26.8	20.4	11.3	3.7	18.6	2.9	5.8	47.6	5.0
1980	0.2	12.9	30.0	22.6	12.8	3.6	20.6	3.1	6.5	51.4	6.9
1981	0.2	12.1	26.6	20.2	12.3	3.5	19.0	2.8	6.0	45.8	6.4
1982	0.2	11.1	25.1	19.1	10.9	3.1	17.6	2.6	5.6	41.1	6.4
1983	0.2	10.2	23.0	17.4	9.8	2.7	16.0	2.4	5.3	36.2	6.2
1984	0.2	9.1	22.2	16.9	9.1	2.8	15.4	2.2	5.3	33.0	5.3
1985	0.2	10.5	22.2	16.0	9.1	2.8	15.3	2.1	5.1	33.9	5.8
1986	0.2	12.7	24.4	17.5	9.4	2.7	16.7	2.2	5.3	37.8	6.0
1987	0.2	12.9	25.2	16.3	8.9	2.7	16.2	2.1	5.2	36.5	5.0
1988	0.2	16.8	27.9	16.3	8.6	2.6	17.0	2.0	5.0	41.2	4.5
1989	0.3	18.5	31.6	16.5	8.0	2.3	17.6	2.0	5.1	42.0	4.7
1990	0.2	25.7	36.1	17.5	8.2	2.3	19.6	2.0	5.7	46.5	4.2
1991	0.3	28.1	42.7	18.0	7.5	2.1	20.8	2.1	5.6	51.3	5.4
1992	0.3	28.0	39.5	16.5	7.2	2.1	19.4	1.8	5.2	46.9	5.7
1993	0.3	31.3	42.8	15.6	7.0	2.2	20.0	1.9	5.2	49.2	5.6
1994	0.4	31.1	40.7	14.9	6.8	1.8	19.0	1.8	5.1	45.4	5.1
1995	0.3	25.1	37.7	13.9	6.4	1.8	17.3	1.5	4.9	39.3	5.3
1996	0.2	21.0	36.8	12.8	5.8	1.7	15.6	1.6	4.5	35.8	4.8
1997	0.2	17.5	33.9	12.3	5.2	1.7	14.3	1.4	4.1	32.1	4.5
1998	0.2	13.7	31.7	12.0	5.3	1.5	13.1	1.4	4.2	27.7	3.9
1999	0.2	11.1	28.4	10.9	4.8	1.5	11.8	1.2	3.6	25.3	3.9
2000	0.1	9.5	28.0	11.6	4.8	1.4	11.6	1.2	3.5	25.5	3.3
2001	0.1	9.3	28.4	12.1	4.8	1.3	11.8	1.2	3.6	25.6	3.0
2002	0.1	9.0	26.8	12.8	4.9	1.4	11.7	1.2	3.6	24.9	2.9

Note: See Note, table 3.125. These data are estimates based on characteristics of known offenders from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Supplementary Homicide Reports and an imputation procedure for cases where information on the offender was unknown because no suspects were identified (unsolved cases). The imputation procedure used to adjust for unsolved homicides is based on characteristics of the victim, circumstances of the incident, and year the incident occurred. Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, "Homicide Trends in the United States" [Online]. Available: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/homicide/homtrnd.htm> [Sept. 30, 2004]. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.