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Law enforcement officers killed

United States, 1972-2002

	Officers killed in the line of duty	
	Feloniously	Accidentally
Total	2,553	1,896
1972	117	NA
1973	134	42
1974	132	47
1975	129	56
1976	111	29
1977	93	32
1978	93	52
1979	106	58
1980	104	61
1981	91	66
1982	92	72
1983	80	72
1984	72	75
1985	78	70
1986	66	67
1987	74	74
1988	78	77
1989	66	79
1990	66	67
1991	71	53
1992	64	66
1993	70	59
1994	80	62
1995	74	59
1996	61	52
1997	71	63
1998	61	82
1999	42	65
2000	51	84
2001	70 ^a	78
2002	56	77

Note: These data are from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program submit data on any sworn officer killed feloniously or accidentally in the line of duty within their jurisdictions. FBI field divisions and legal attaché offices also report such incidents occurring in the United States and its territories, as well as those in which a United States law enforcement officer dies while assigned to duties in another country (Source, 2002, p. 5). Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

^aDoes not include the deaths of 72 law enforcement officers resulting from the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Law Enforcement Officers Killed, 1981*, FBI Uniform Crime Reports (Washington, DC: USGPO, 1982), p. 12; *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 1982*, pp. 10, 40; 1992, pp. 23, 57; 2002, pp. 9, 59; FBI Uniform Crime Reports (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice). Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.