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**Law enforcement officers feloniously killed**

By circumstances at scene of incident and type of assignment, United States, 2001-2010 (aggregate)

Circumstances at scene of incident	Total	Type of assignment								Off-duty
		2-officer vehicle	1-officer vehicle		Foot patrol		Other <sup>a</sup>			
			Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted		
Total	541 <sup>b</sup>	53	152	160	3	1	22	100	50	
Disturbance calls	75	6	17	40	0	0	1	6	5	
Bar fights, persons with firearms, etc.	33	1	7	18	0	0	1	3	3	
Domestic (family quarrels)	42	5	10	22	0	0	0	3	2	
Arrest situations	123	14	21	32	0	0	2	31	23	
Burglaries in progress/pursuing burglary suspects	14	4	4	2	0	0	0	1	3	
Robberies in progress/pursuing robbery suspects	43	5	6	12	0	0	1	2	17	
Drug-related matters	17	1	1	0	0	0	0	14	1	
Attempting other arrests	49	4	10	18	0	0	1	14	2	
Civil disorders (mass disobedience, riot, etc.)	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	12	4	6	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Investigating suspicious persons/circumstances	61	6	27	7	0	0	5	9	7	
Ambush situations	120	10	33	34	3	0	10	17	13	
Entrapment/premeditation	42	2	8	14	1	0	3	5	9	
Unprovoked attack	78	8	25	20	2	0	7	12	4	
Investigative activities (surveillance, searches, interviews, etc.)	11	0	2	2	0	1	1	5	0	
Handling persons with mental illness	12	1	1	7	0	0	0	3	0	
Traffic pursuits/stops	95	10	45	28	0	0	2	9	1	
Felony vehicle stops	35	4	8	16	0	0	1	5	1	
Traffic violation stops	60	6	37	12	0	0	1	4	0	
Tactical situations (barricaded offender, hostage taking, high-risk entry, etc.)	32	2	0	10	0	0	0	20	0	

Note: These data are from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. Federal, State, city, university and college, county, and tribal 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: **2010** [Online]. Available: [http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/leoka/leoka-2010/methodology\\_felon\\_acciden-2010](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/leoka/leoka-2010/methodology_felon_acciden-2010)). Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

<sup>a</sup>Includes detectives, undercover officers, and officers on special assignments and other types of assignments not listed.  
<sup>b</sup>Does 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 and Assaulted, 2010**, Table 25 [Online]. Available: <http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/leoka/leoka-2010/tables/table25-leok-feloniously-circumstance-by-assignment-01-10.xls> [Nov. 5, 2011].