

Table 3.20.2005

Estimated percent distribution of violent victimizations in which self-protective measures were employed

By person taking measure, type of crime, and outcome of measure, United States, 2005^a

Person taking measure and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Total	Outcome of self-protective measure					Don't know	Not available
			Helped situation	Hurt situation	Both helped and hurt situation	Neither helped nor hurt situation			
Measure taken by victim									
Crimes of violence	3,463,460	100%	64.6%	9.9%	5.4%	10.8%	8.2%	0.9% ^b	
Rape/sexual assault ^c	156,380	100	57.1	21.3 ^b	1.9 ^b	13.3 ^b	6.5 ^b	0.0 ^b	
Robbery	384,650	100	74.9	4.3 ^b	6.3 ^b	9.2 ^b	5.3 ^b	0.0 ^b	
Assault	2,922,420	100	63.7	10.1	5.5	10.9	8.7	1.1 ^b	
Aggravated	714,810	100	59.6	7.7	6.0	16.3	9.7	0.8 ^b	
Simple	2,207,620	100	65.0	10.8	5.4	9.1	8.4	1.2 ^b	
Measure taken by others									
Crimes of violence	3,532,170	100	39.5	9.2	2.7	37.0	6.6	5.0	
Rape/sexual assault ^c	67,970	100	36.6 ^b	25.9 ^b	0.0 ^b	25.8 ^b	0.0 ^b	11.8 ^b	
Robbery	313,830	100	29.2	4.6 ^b	5.2 ^b	44.6	14.1	2.1 ^b	
Assault	3,150,360	100	40.6	9.3	2.5	36.5	6.0	5.1	
Aggravated	791,020	100	39.7	11.5	1.2 ^b	34.4	8.3	5.0	
Simple	2,359,340	100	40.8	8.5	3.0	37.2	5.3	5.1	

Note: See Note, table 3.1.2005. Table excludes victimizations in which no self-protective actions were taken. Of those victimizations in which self-protective measures were employed, the victim and/or someone else may have taken action. Therefore, the above categories are not mutually exclusive. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see Appendix 8.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization in the United States, 2005 Statistical Tables*, NCJ 215244, Table 72 [Online]. Available: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/pub/pdf/cvus05.pdf> [May 30, 2007].

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bEstimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

^cIncludes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.