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**Estimated rate (per 1,000 households) of property victimization**

By type of crime and characteristics of household, United States, 2008

Characteristics of household	Number of households	Type of property crime			
		Total	Burglary	Motor vehicle theft	Theft
<b>Household income</b>					
Under \$7,500	4,115,470	204.2	56.6	9.4	138.3
\$7,500 to \$14,999	6,361,960	175.0	52.6	7.8	114.6
\$15,000 to \$24,999	9,412,930	161.7	32.3	6.2	123.2
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9,901,970	150.5	33.0	6.0	111.5
\$35,000 to \$49,999	13,497,280	142.7	26.8	7.5	108.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	14,601,440	125.8	21.1	7.6	97.0
\$75,000 and over	24,115,150	133.4	16.3	5.9	111.2
<b>Size of household</b>					
One person	34,561,280	100.3	27.4	4.7	68.2
Two or three persons	60,022,010	122.2	22.1	6.1	94.0
Four or five persons	22,868,210	197.0	33.3	9.1	154.6
Six or more persons	3,689,560	273.9	41.0	15.7	217.1

Note: The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) is conducted annually for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics by the U.S. Census Bureau. These estimates are based on data derived from a continuous survey of a representative sample of housing units in the United States. For the 2008 survey, approximately 77,852 residents in 42,093 households were interviewed; each household was interviewed twice during the year. Response rates were 90.4% of eligible housing units and 86.2% of eligible individuals in interviewed households. In 2008, the total U.S. population age 12 and older was 252,242,520. The total number of households in the United States in 2008 was 121,141,060. The NCVS is based on interviews with victims and therefore cannot measure murder.

Users should note that due to changes in methodology implemented for the 2006 NCVS, the 2006 estimates are not comparable to NCVS estimates for other years and therefore have been excluded from tables showing trends. NCVS estimates for 2007 and 2008 are consistent with years previous to 2006. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 8](#).

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization, 2008*, Bulletin NCJ 227777 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, September 2009), p. 5, Table 5.