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

By type of crime and ethnicity of head of household, United States, 2008<sup>a</sup>

Type of crime	Ethnicity of head of household					
	Total <sup>b</sup>		Hispanic		Non-Hispanic	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Property crimes	16,319,180	134.7	2,571,060	187.5	13,744,100	128.2
Household burglary	3,188,620	26.3	470,410	34.3	2,718,210	25.4
Completed	2,598,960	21.5	377,590	27.5	2,221,370	20.7
Forcible entry	1,191,290	9.8	228,960	16.7	962,330	9.0
Unlawful entry without force	1,407,670	11.6	148,630	10.8	1,259,040	11.7
Attempted forcible entry	589,660	4.9	92,820	6.8	496,840	4.6
Motor vehicle theft	795,160	6.6	160,770	11.7	634,390	5.9
Completed	593,360	4.9	107,160	7.8	486,200	4.5
Attempted	201,800	1.7	53,610	3.9	148,190	1.4
Theft	12,335,400	101.8	1,939,880	141.4	10,391,500	96.9
Completed	11,740,750	96.9	1,839,660	134.1	9,897,060	92.3
Less than \$50	2,859,180	23.6	382,500	27.9	2,474,880	23.1
\$50 to \$249	4,169,140	34.4	668,040	48.7	3,498,870	32.6
\$250 or more	3,265,320	27.0	578,910	42.2	2,686,410	25.1
Amount not available	1,447,100	11.9	210,210	15.3	1,236,900	11.5
Attempted	594,660	4.9	100,220	7.3	494,440	4.6
Total number of households	121,141,060	X	13,715,890	X	107,189,700	X

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 67,090 residents in 38,060 households were interviewed; each household was interviewed twice during the year. Response rates were 90% of eligible housing units and 86% 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 the 2008 NCVS estimates are comparable to 2007, 2005, and previous years but not to 2006 estimates due to changes in methodology implemented for the 2006 NCVS. For survey methodology and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 8](#).

<sup>a</sup> Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

<sup>b</sup> Includes data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained, which are not shown separately.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization in the United States, 2008 Statistical Tables*, NCJ 231173, Table 17 [Online]. Available: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/cvus08.pdf> [May 21, 2011].