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Estimated rate (per 1,000 persons in each age group) of personal victimization

By sex and age of victim, and type of crime, United States, 2008^a

Sex and age of victim	Total population	Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/sexual assault ^b	Robbery			Assault		Purse snatching/pocket picking	
						Total	With injury	Without injury	Total	Aggravated		Simple
Male												
12 to 15 years	8,393,320	48.9	15.3	33.6	1.5 ^c	8.5	3.5 ^c	5.1	38.8	6.4	32.4	2.5 ^c
16 to 19 years	8,827,350	46.5	15.4	31.1	0.0 ^c	7.8	3.3 ^c	4.5	38.6	6.4	32.2	0.2 ^c
20 to 24 years	10,358,850	33.9	10.3	23.6	0.6 ^c	5.6	1.9 ^c	3.7	27.7	8.2	20.0	1.2 ^c
25 to 34 years	20,477,590	26.1	5.6	20.6	0.0 ^c	1.5 ^c	0.9 ^c	0.7 ^c	24.6	4.4	20.0	0.0 ^c
35 to 49 years	32,296,390	16.2	3.0	13.2	0.5 ^c	2.1	0.6 ^c	1.5	13.6	3.3	10.3	0.3 ^c
50 to 64 years	26,752,050	13.1	2.6	10.5	0.2 ^c	1.0 ^c	0.1 ^c	0.8 ^c	11.9	2.8	9.1	0.4 ^c
65 years and older	15,965,470	3.0	0.6 ^c	2.4	0.0 ^c	0.3 ^c	0.2 ^c	0.1 ^c	2.7	0.5 ^c	2.2 ^c	0.7 ^c
Female												
12 to 15 years	8,021,230	35.2	9.3	25.9	1.6 ^c	2.3 ^c	0.6 ^c	1.7 ^c	31.3	5.9	25.5	0.3 ^c
16 to 19 years	8,452,920	27.1	10.0	17.1	4.5	1.6 ^c	1.0 ^c	0.5 ^c	21.0	4.7	16.3	0.6 ^c
20 to 24 years	10,188,780	41.7	20.0	21.7	3.7 ^c	5.2	1.8 ^c	3.4 ^c	32.9	9.3	23.6	0.0 ^c
25 to 34 years	20,171,910	20.7	6.4	14.3	1.3 ^c	3.1	1.4 ^c	1.7 ^c	16.3	3.5	12.8	0.7 ^c
35 to 49 years	32,826,640	17.3	5.4	11.9	1.1 ^c	1.7	0.6 ^c	1.1 ^c	14.5	2.1	12.4	1.0 ^c
50 to 64 years	28,364,270	8.5	0.9 ^c	7.6	0.2 ^c	0.6 ^c	0.1 ^c	0.5 ^c	7.7	1.3 ^c	6.4	0.3 ^c
65 years and older	21,145,770	3.2	0.4 ^c	2.8	0.4 ^c	0.1 ^c	0.0 ^c	0.1 ^c	2.6	0.3 ^c	2.3	0.3 ^c

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](#).

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

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

^cEstimate is based on 10 or fewer sample cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization in the United States, 2008 Statistical Tables*, NCJ 231173, Table 4 [Online]. Available: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/cvus08.pdf> [May 21, 2011].