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Estimated number and rate (per 1,000 persons age 12 and older) of personal victimization

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

Type of crime	White only		Black only		Other race only ^b		Two or more races ^c	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
All personal crimes	3,807,640	18.6	816,970	26.6	216,900	15.5	151,710	52.4
Crimes of violence	3,701,500	18.1	793,940	25.9	211,660	15.2	149,410	51.6
Completed violence	944,990	4.6	310,650	10.1	48,660	3.5	57,910	20.0
Attempted/threatened violence	2,756,510	13.5	483,290	15.7	162,990	11.7	91,500	31.6
Rape/sexual assault	129,380	0.6	56,840	1.9	12,080 ^d	0.9 ^d	5,540 ^d	1.9 ^d
Rape/attempted rape	88,860	0.4	19,900 ^d	0.6 ^d	8,720 ^d	0.6 ^d	5,540 ^d	1.9 ^d
Rape	41,520	0.2	10,950 ^d	0.4 ^d	0 ^d	0.0 ^d	0 ^d	0.0 ^d
Attempted rape ^e	47,350	0.2	8,940 ^d	0.3 ^d	8,720 ^d	0.6 ^d	5,540 ^d	1.9 ^d
Sexual assault ^f	40,520	0.2	36,940 ^d	1.2 ^d	3,360 ^d	0.2 ^d	0 ^d	0.0 ^d
Robbery	321,430	1.6	168,370	5.5	42,450	3.0	19,570 ^d	6.8 ^d
Completed/property taken	223,480	1.1	118,020	3.8	24,090 ^d	1.7 ^d	6,600 ^d	2.3 ^d
With injury	89,960	0.4	28,610 ^d	0.9 ^d	16,430 ^d	1.2 ^d	6,600 ^d	2.3 ^d
Without injury	133,520	0.7	89,410	2.9	7,660 ^d	0.5 ^d	0 ^d	0.0 ^d
Attempted to take property	97,960	0.5	50,350	1.6	18,360 ^d	1.3 ^d	12,980 ^d	4.5 ^d
With injury	21,420 ^d	0.1 ^d	22,800 ^d	0.7 ^d	15,210 ^d	1.1 ^d	4,860 ^d	1.7 ^d
Without injury	76,530	0.4	27,550 ^d	0.9 ^d	3,150 ^d	0.2 ^d	8,120 ^d	2.8 ^d
Assault	3,250,690	15.9	568,730	18.5	157,130	11.3	124,300	42.9
Aggravated	622,960	3.0	158,810	5.2	38,540	2.8	19,620 ^d	6.8 ^d
With injury	184,730	0.9	52,100	1.7	8,170 ^d	0.6 ^d	7,570 ^d	2.6 ^d
Threatened with weapon	438,230	2.1	106,710	3.5	30,380 ^d	2.2 ^d	12,050 ^d	4.2 ^d
Simple	2,627,730	12.8	409,920	13.3	118,590	8.5	104,670	36.1
With minor injury	466,780	2.3	92,630	3.0	13,050 ^d	0.9 ^d	43,740	15.1
Without injury	2,160,950	10.6	317,290	10.3	105,540	7.6	60,940	21.0
Purse snatching/pocket picking	106,140	0.5	23,020 ^d	0.7 ^d	5,240 ^d	0.4 ^d	2,300 ^d	0.8 ^d
Population age 12 and older	204,683,500	X	30,709,860	X	13,952,240	X	2,896,930	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](#).

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bIncludes American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, and Hawaiian/Pacific Islander if only one of these races is given.

^cIncludes all persons of any race, indicating two or more races.

^dEstimate is based on 10 or fewer sample cases.

^eIncludes verbal threats of rape.

^fIncludes threats.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Criminal Victimization in the United States, 2008 Statistical Tables*, NCJ 231173, Table 5 [Online]. Available: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/cvus08.pdf> [May 21, 2011].