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Law enforcement officers feloniously killed

By circumstances at scene of incident and type of assignment, United States, 1998-2007 (aggregate)

Circumstances at scene of incident	Total	Type of assignment								Off-duty
		2-officer vehicle	1-officer vehicle		Foot patrol		Other ^a			
			Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted		
Total	549 ^b	56	163	141	5	3	32	99	50	
Disturbance calls	91	10	23	42	0	0	4	5	7	
Bar fights, persons with firearms, etc.	41	3	8	23	0	0	1	2	4	
Family quarrels	50	7	15	19	0	0	3	3	3	
Arrest situations	127	16	18	26	0	3	3	39	22	
Burglaries in progress/pursuing burglary suspects	11	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	4	
Robberies in progress/pursuing robbery suspects	39	4	7	10	0	2	1	2	13	
Drug-related matters	27	2	2	0	0	1	1	20	1	
Attempting other arrests	50	8	7	14	0	0	1	16	4	
Civil disorders (mass disobedience, riot, etc.)	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	16	1	9	0	0	0	3	3	0	
Investigating suspicious persons/circumstances	60	4	22	7	2	0	7	12	6	
Ambush situations	110	12	32	26	3	0	10	13	14	
Entrapment/premeditation	43	3	12	12	1	0	2	5	8	
Unprovoked attack	67	9	20	14	2	0	8	8	6	
Investigative activities (surveillance, searches, interviews, etc.)	7	0	2	0	0	0	1	4	0	
Handling persons with mental illness	12	1	1	7	0	0	0	3	0	
Traffic pursuits/stops	103	11	56	26	0	0	4	5	1	
Felony vehicle stops	38	5	12	17	0	0	2	1	1	
Traffic violation stops	65	6	44	9	0	0	2	4	0	
Tactical situations (barricaded offender, hostage taking, high-risk entry, etc.)	23	1	0	7	0	0	0	15	0	

Note: These data are from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. Federal, State, city, university and college, county, and tribal law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program submit data on any sworn officer killed feloniously or accidentally in the line of duty within their jurisdictions. FBI field divisions and legal attaché offices also report such incidents occurring in the United States and its territories, as well as those in which a United States law enforcement officer dies while assigned to duties in another country (Source: 2007 [Online]. Available: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/methodologykilled.html>). Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

^aIncludes detectives, undercover officers, and officers on special assignments and other types of assignments not listed.

^bDoes not include the deaths of 72 law enforcement officers resulting from the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2007*, Table 25 [Online]. Available: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/data/table_25.html [Nov. 18, 2008].