

Table 3.160

**Persons identified in the felonious killing of law enforcement officers**

By demographic characteristics and prior record, United States, 1993-2002 (aggregate) and 2002<sup>a</sup>

Characteristics of persons identified	1993 to 2002		2002	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	785	100%	61	100%
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	750	96	59	97
Female	22	3	2	3
Not reported	13	2	0	X
<b>Race</b>				
White	417	53	37	61
Black	307	39	24	39
Other <sup>b</sup>	29	4	0	X
Not reported	32	4	0	X
<b>Age</b>				
Under age 18	83	11	2	3
18 to 24 years	290	37	24	39
25 to 30 years	150	19	10	16
31 to 40 years	117	15	12	20
Over 40 years	109	14	13	21
Not reported	36	5	0	X
<b>Prior record<sup>c</sup></b>				
Prior criminal arrest	528	67	48	79
Convicted on prior criminal charges	373	48	36	59
Prior arrest for crime of violence	245	31	18	30
On parole or probation at time of killing	158	20	15	25
Prior arrest on murder charge	22	3	2	3
Prior arrest on drug law violation	252	32	28	46
Prior arrest for assaulting an officer or resisting arrest	146	19	10	16
Prior arrest for weapons violation	240	31	19	31

Note: See Notes, [tables 3.154.2004](#) and [3.155.2004](#).

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

<sup>b</sup>Includes Asian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, and Alaskan Native.

<sup>c</sup>Offenders may fall into multiple categories for prior record therefore detail will not add to total.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2002*, FBI Uniform Crime Reports (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2003), p. 41, Table 38; p. 42, Table 39; and p. 43. Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.