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

By demographic characteristics and prior record, United States, 1994-2003 (aggregate) and 2003<sup>a</sup>

Characteristics of persons identified	1994 to 2003 <sup>b</sup>		2003	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	748	100%	58	100%
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	721	96	57	98
Female	22	3	1	2
Not reported	5	1	0	X
<b>Race</b>				
White	407	54	31	53
Black	292	39	26	45
Other <sup>c</sup>	30	4	1	2
Not reported	19	2	0	X
<b>Age</b>				
Under age 18	70	9	3	5
18 to 24 years	284	38	24	41
25 to 30 years	152	20	13	22
31 to 40 years	118	16	11	19
Over 40 years	104	14	7	12
Not reported	20	3	0	X
<b>Prior record<sup>d</sup></b>				
Prior criminal arrest	521	70	47	81
Convicted on prior criminal charges	383	51	42	72
Prior arrest for crime of violence	264	35	28	48
On parole or probation at time of killing	167	22	18	31
Prior arrest on murder charge	23	3	3	5
Prior arrest on drug law violation	253	34	27	46
Prior arrest for assaulting an officer or resisting arrest	153	20	20	34
Prior arrest for weapons violation	230	31	17	29

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>Does not include the 14 known assailants involved in the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

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

<sup>d</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, 2003*, FBI Uniform Crime Reports (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2004), p. 31, Tables 36, 37; p. 32. Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.