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

By demographic characteristics and prior record, United States, 2000-2009 (aggregate) and 2009<sup>a</sup>

Characteristics of persons identified	2000 to 2009 <sup>b</sup>		2009	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	584	100%	41	100%
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	572	98	39	95
Female	12	2	2	5
<b>Race</b>				
White	327	56	24	59
Black	244	42	17	41
Other <sup>c</sup>	9	2	0	X
Not reported	4	(d)	0	X
<b>Age</b>				
Under age 18	33	6	2	5
18 to 24 years	211	36	11	27
25 to 30 years	110	19	6	15
31 to 40 years	113	19	14	34
Over 40 years	109	19	8	20
Not reported	8	1	0	X
<b>Prior record<sup>e</sup></b>				
Prior criminal arrest	476	82	33	80
Convicted on prior criminal charges	361	62	28	68
Prior arrest for crime of violence	253	43	23	56
On parole or probation at time of killing	130	22	10	24
Prior arrest on murder charge	23	4	2	5
Prior arrest on drug law violation	246	42	13	32
Prior arrest for assaulting an officer or resisting arrest	122	21	9	22
Prior arrest for weapons violation	214	37	18	44
Escapee from penal institution	14	2	0	X

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: **2009** [Online]. Available: <http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/methodologykilled.html>). Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK.

<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>Less than 0.5%.

<sup>e</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, 2009**, Tables 42, 44, 45, and 46 [Online]. Available: [http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table\\_42.html](http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table_42.html), [http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table\\_44.html](http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table_44.html), [http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table\\_45.html](http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table_45.html), and [http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table\\_46.html](http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2009/data/table_46.html) [Feb. 4, 2011]. Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.