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Law enforcement officers assaulted

By circumstances at scene of incident and type of weapon, United States, 2006^a

Circumstances at scene of incident	Total	Type of weapon			Personal weapon
		Firearm	Knife or cutting instrument	Other dangerous weapon	
Total	58,634	2,278	1,047	8,512	46,797
Percent of total	100%	3.9	1.8	14.5	79.8
Disturbance calls (family quarrels, bar fights, persons with firearms, etc.)	18,135	815	492	1,734	15,094
Percent	100%	4.5	2.7	9.6	83.2
Burglaries in progress/ pursuing burglary suspects	844	51	35	159	599
Percent	100%	6.0	4.1	18.8	71.0
Robberies in progress/ pursuing robbery suspects	517	91	12	110	304
Percent	100%	17.6	2.3	21.3	58.8
Attempting other arrests	9,233	252	95	1,098	7,788
Percent	100%	2.7	1.0	11.9	84.3
Civil disorders (mass disobedience, riot, etc.)	669	13	7	102	547
Percent	100%	1.9	1.0	15.2	81.8
Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	7,133	45	35	541	6,512
Percent	100%	0.6	0.5	7.6	91.3
Investigating suspicious persons/ circumstances	5,568	213	96	839	4,420
Percent	100%	3.8	1.7	15.1	79.4
Ambush situations	179	63	5	28	83
Percent	100%	35.2	2.8	15.6	46.4
Handling persons with mental illness	1,058	73	80	119	786
Percent	100%	6.9	7.6	11.2	74.3
Traffic pursuits/stops	6,490	291	37	2,305	3,857
Percent	100%	5.0	1.0	36.0	59.4
All other	8,808	371	153	1,477	6,807
Percent	100%	4.2	1.7	16.8	77.3

Note: These data are based on 10,346 agencies reporting assaults to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program for all 12 months of 2006. These agencies cover approximately 74% of the total U.S. population. In 2006, data for Illinois, Montana, South Dakota, and West Virginia were not available for inclusion in the tabulations. (Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2006/officersassaulted.html> and <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2006/table63.html>).

^aPercents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2006*, Table 71 [Online]. Available: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2006/table71.html> [Dec. 6, 2007].