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**Law enforcement officers assaulted**

By circumstances at scene of incident and type of weapon, United States, 2007<sup>a</sup>

Circumstances at scene of incident	Total	Type of weapon			Personal weapon
		Firearm	Knife or cutting instrument	Other dangerous weapon	
Total	59,201	2,176	1,023	8,507	47,495
Percent of total	100%	3.7	1.7	14.4	80.2
Disturbance calls (family quarrels, bar fights, persons with firearms, etc.)	18,789	821	476	1,860	15,632
Percent	100%	4.4	2.5	9.9	83.2
Burglaries in progress/ pursuing burglary suspects	905	68	24	193	620
Percent	100%	7.5	2.7	21.3	68.5
Robberies in progress/ pursuing robbery suspects	515	95	23	123	274
Percent	100%	18.4	4.5	23.9	53.2
Attempting other arrests	8,935	174	103	1,036	7,622
Percent	100%	1.9	1.2	11.6	85.3
Civil disorders (mass disobedience, riot, etc.)	759	10	8	123	618
Percent	100%	1.3	1.1	16.2	81.4
Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	7,347	15	35	627	6,670
Percent	100%	0.2	0.5	8.5	90.8
Investigating suspicious persons/ circumstances	5,333	279	114	723	4,217
Percent	100%	5.2	2.1	13.6	79.1
Ambush situations	198	62	5	52	79
Percent	100%	31.3	2.5	26.3	39.9
Handling persons with mental illness	1,114	42	75	125	872
Percent	100%	3.8	6.7	11.2	78.3
Traffic pursuits/stops	6,424	250	38	2,222	3,914
Percent	100%	3.9	0.6	34.6	60.9
All other	8,882	360	122	1,423	6,977
Percent	100%	4.1	1.4	16.0	78.6

Note: These data are based on 10,856 agencies reporting assaults to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program for all 12 months of 2007. These agencies cover approximately 77% of the total U.S. population. In 2007, data for Hawaii, Illinois, and West Virginia were not available for inclusion in the tabulations. (Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/officersassaulted.html> and [http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/data/table\\_65.html](http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/data/table_65.html)).

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

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, **Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2007**, Table 73 [Online]. Available: [http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/data/table\\_73.html](http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/data/table_73.html) [Nov. 21, 2008].