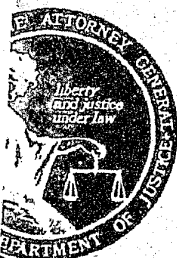


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# INTRODUCTION |||||

**Homicide in California, 1988** is an annual publication which provides an overview of the crime of homicide and its victims, information on persons arrested for murder, and the criminal justice system's response. Information on such topics as the death penalty, the number of peace officers killed in the line of duty and the events which led to their deaths, and justifiable homicides is also included.

The major sections of the report are:

- Willful Homicide Crimes
- Arrests for Murder
- Dispositions of Adults Arrested for Murder

Most data presented were obtained from three different data bases maintained by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics (BCS): the Homicide File for data pertaining to both willful and justifiable homicide crimes; the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register for data pertaining to the characteristics of persons arrested for murder; and the Offender-Based Transaction Statistics file for information on types of dispositions, sentences, and death penalty cases. Because of the differences in the types of data collected and the methods used to collect these data, the reader is cautioned against comparing these different data bases.



# ||||| HIGHLIGHTS

*Although willful homicides increased in number from 1987 to 1988, the rate per 100,000 population decreased 1.9 percent.*

*The number of drug-related and gang-related homicides has more than doubled since 1979.*

*Over seven out of ten homicide victims knew the offender (72.7 percent).*

*Female victims were ten times more likely than male victims to be the spouse of the offender (23.6 versus 2.3 percent).*

*More victims were killed by firearms than by all other types of weapons combined (61.4 percent).*

*The black homicide victim rate per 100,000 population (42.1) was higher than that of whites (not Hispanic) or Hispanics (5.6 and 14.5, respectively).*

*Since 1979, 71 peace officers have been killed in the line of duty. Nine were killed in 1988.*

*Of the persons arrested for murder for which dispositions were received in 1988, nearly three-fourths (72.6 percent) were convicted of murder or some other offense.*

*By the end of 1988, 223 persons were under sentence of death in California. Of these, 34 were sentenced in 1988.*

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES

The crime of willful homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as the "willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another." Attempted murder, justifiable homicide, manslaughter by negligence, and suicide are excluded. The data presented in this section of the report coincide with that definition, and were obtained almost exclusively from the Homicide File. Other data sources are identified in the footnotes of the appropriate charts and tables.

From 1987 to 1988:

- The willful homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 1.9 percent (10.6 to 10.4).
- The number of willful homicides increased from 2,929 to 2,947.

From 1979 to 1988:

- The willful homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 17.5 percent (12.6 to 10.4).
- The number of willful homicides increased from 2,941 to 2,947.

Of the four offenses classified as violent crimes by the FBI, willful homicide maintained the lowest rate per 100,000 population for the years shown. For comparison, changes in the rates of the violent crimes from 1979 to 1988 follow:

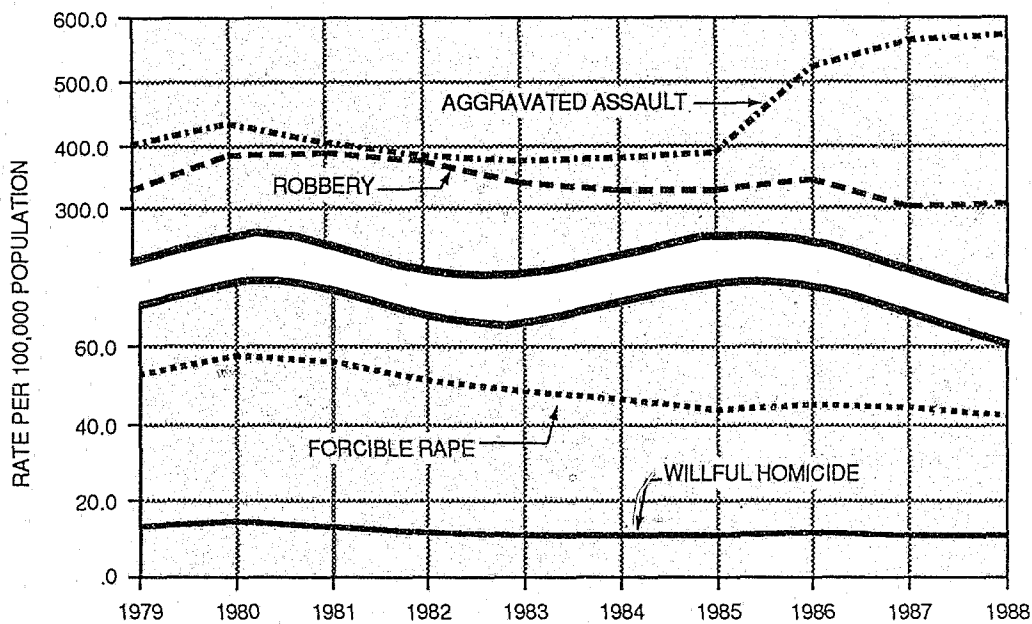
- Willful homicide — down 17.5 percent.
- Forcible rape — down 20.8 percent.
- Robbery — down 6.4 percent.
- Aggravated assault — up 42.4 percent.

Table 1  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year	Number	Percent change in number <sup>a</sup>	Rate	Percent change in rate <sup>a</sup>
1988.....	2,947	.6	10.4	-1.9
1987.....	2,929	-3.3	10.6	-5.4
1986.....	3,030	9.0	11.2	6.7
1985.....	2,781	2.1	10.5	-.9
1984.....	2,724	3.2	10.6	1.0
1983.....	2,640	-5.0	10.5	-6.3
1982.....	2,778	-11.5	11.2	-13.8
1981.....	3,140	-7.8	13.0	-9.1
1980.....	3,405	15.8	14.3	13.5
1979.....	2,941	13.1	12.6	10.5

<sup>a</sup>Annual percent change in both number and rate is calculated from the number and rate of the previous year.  
Sources: *Crime and Delinquency in California*, 1983-1988, published by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics, California Department of Justice.

Chart 1  
**VIOLENT CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
Rate per 100,000 Population



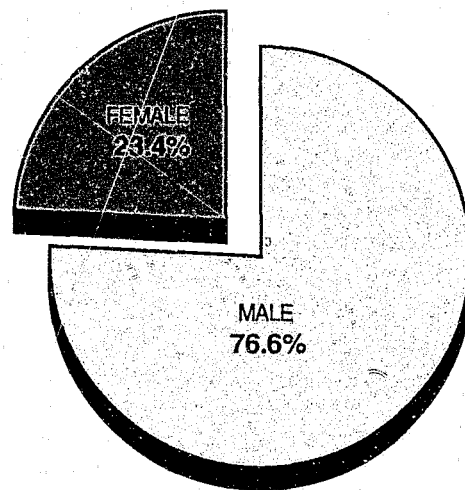
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**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988**  
Sex of Victims

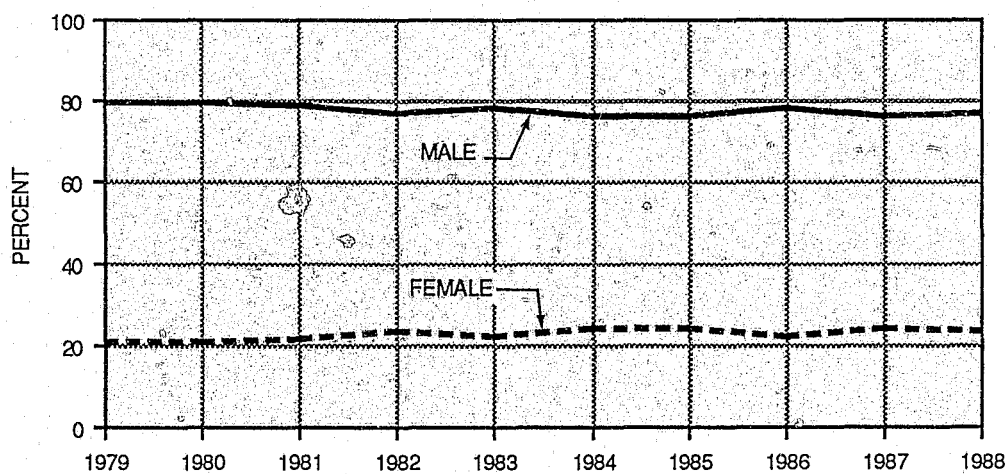
Analysis of the sex of willful homicide victims revealed that:

- In 1988, 76.6 percent were male and 23.4 percent were female.
- For each year, 1979-1988, the largest proportion of homicide victims was male. The proportions ranged from a low of 75.9 in 1987 to a high of 79.6 in 1979 and 1980.



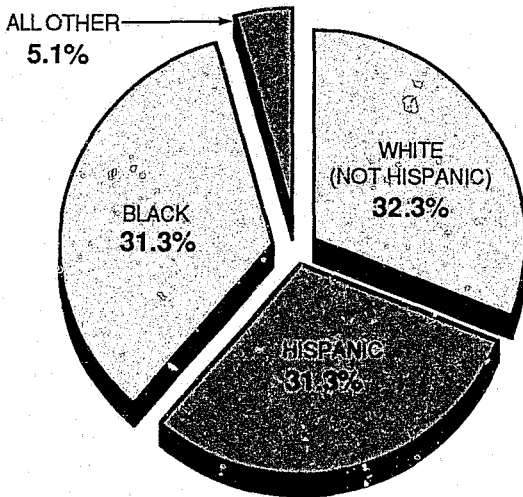
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Chart 3  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
Sex of Victims by Year



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**Chart 4**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988**  
Known Race/Ethnic Group of Victims

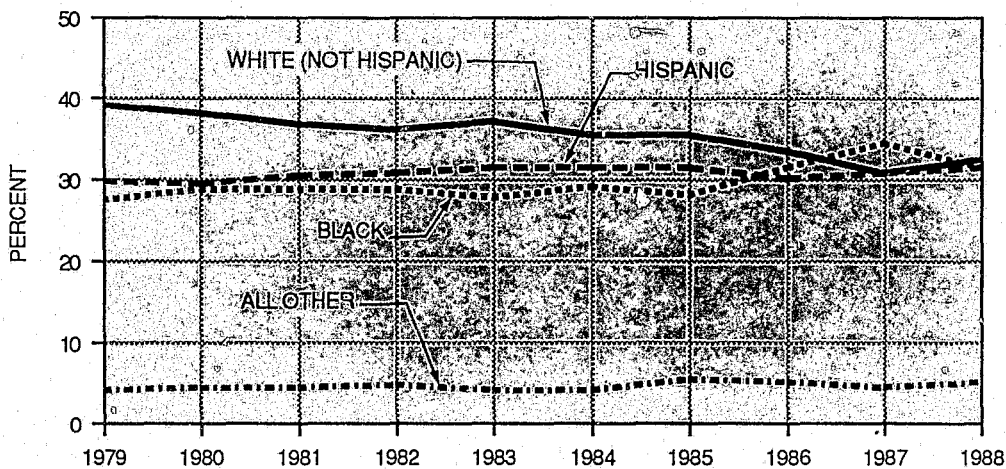


Source: Table 9.

Analysis of the race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims revealed that:

- In 1988, 32.3 percent were white (not Hispanic), 31.3 percent were Hispanic, 31.3 percent were black, and 5.1 percent fell into the "all other" race/ethnic group category.
- From 1979 to 1988, the proportion of white (not Hispanic) homicide victims decreased. The proportions of Hispanics, blacks, and "all other" race/ethnic groups have tended to increase or remain fairly stable.

**Chart 5**  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
Known Race/Ethnic Group of Victims by Year



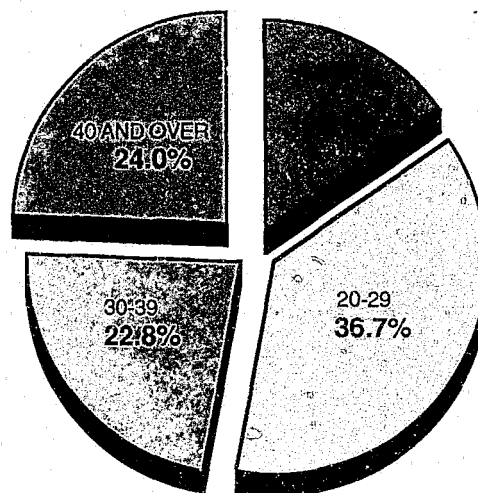
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**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988**  
Known Age of Victims

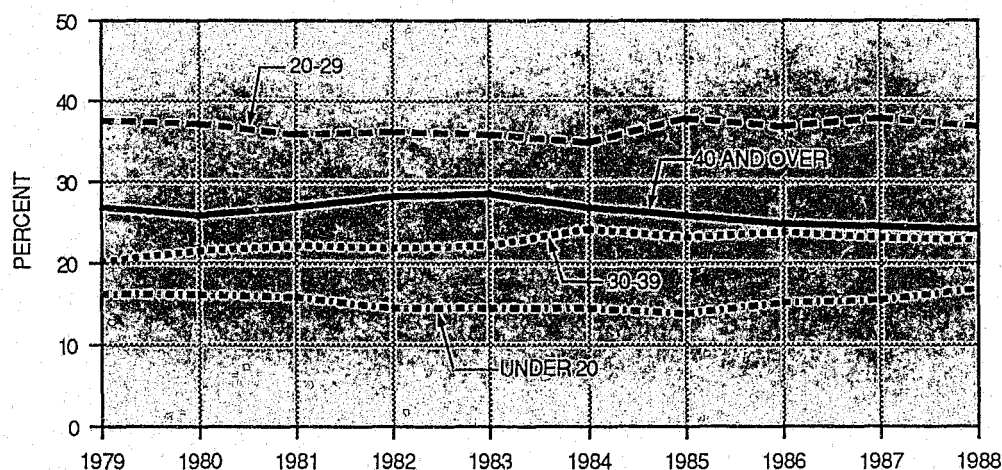
Analysis of the age of willful homicide victims revealed that:

- In 1988, 16.5 percent were under 20 years, 36.7 percent were 20-29 years, 22.8 percent were 30-39 years, and 24.0 percent were 40 years of age or older.
- For each year, 1979-1988, the smallest proportion of homicide victims was under 20 years of age.
- For each year, 1979-1988, the largest proportion of homicide victims was 20-29 years of age.



Source: Table 10.

Chart 7  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
Known Age of Victims by Year

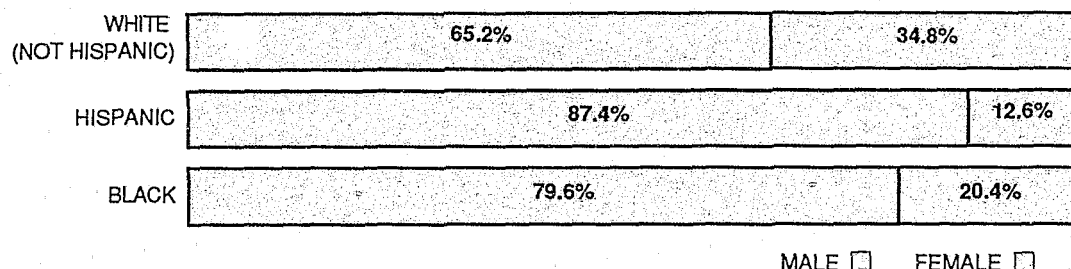


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Chart 8

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Sex of Victim by Race/Ethnic Group



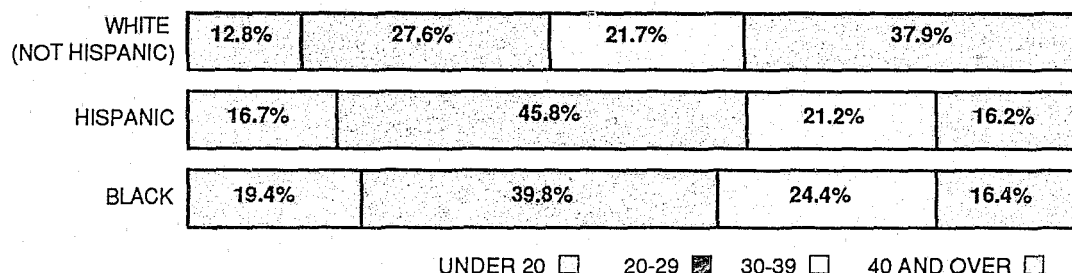
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MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐

Chart 9

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Age of Victim by Race/Ethnic Group



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 11.

UNDER 20 ☐ 20-29 ☒ 30-39 ☐ 40 AND OVER ☐

When the sex of willful homicide victims in 1988 was compared with the race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more Hispanics and blacks were male than were whites (not Hispanic) (87.4 and 79.6 versus 65.2 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) were female than were either Hispanics or blacks (34.8 versus 12.6 and 20.4 percent, respectively).

When the known age of willful homicide victims in 1988 was compared with the race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- Proportionately, fewer whites (not Hispanic) were under 20 years of age than were either Hispanics or blacks (12.8 versus 16.7 and 19.4 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) were 40 years of age or older than were either Hispanics or blacks (37.9 versus 16.2 and 16.4 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more Hispanics and blacks were 20-29 years of age than were whites (not Hispanic) (45.8 and 39.8 versus 27.6 percent, respectively).

The willful homicide rate in 1988 was 10.4 per 100,000 population. Charts 10, 11, and 12 show willful homicide rates per 100,000 population for victims classified by sex, race/ethnic group, and age.

Throughout the period 1979 to 1988:

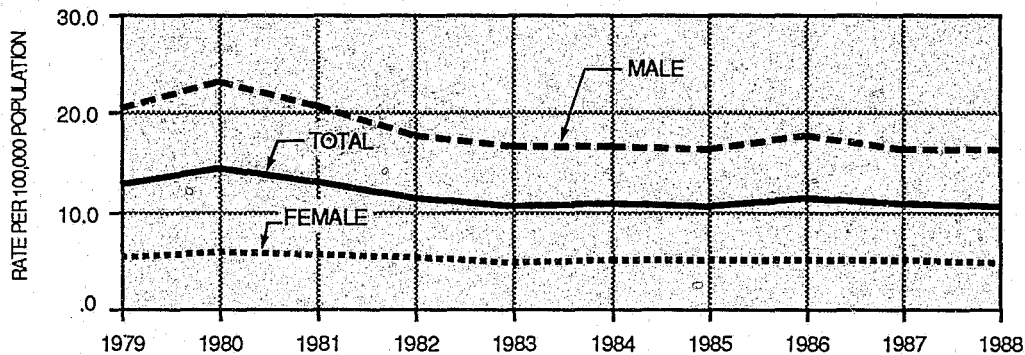
- Males were more than three times as likely as females to be homicide victims.
- Blacks were more than twice as likely as Hispanics and about six times as likely as whites (not Hispanic) to be homicide victims.
- Persons 20-29 years of age had the highest homicide rate. They were more than three times as likely to be homicide victims as persons under the age of twenty and more than twice as likely to be homicide victims as persons 40 years of age or older.



Chart 10

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988

Rate per 100,000 Population by Sex of Victim

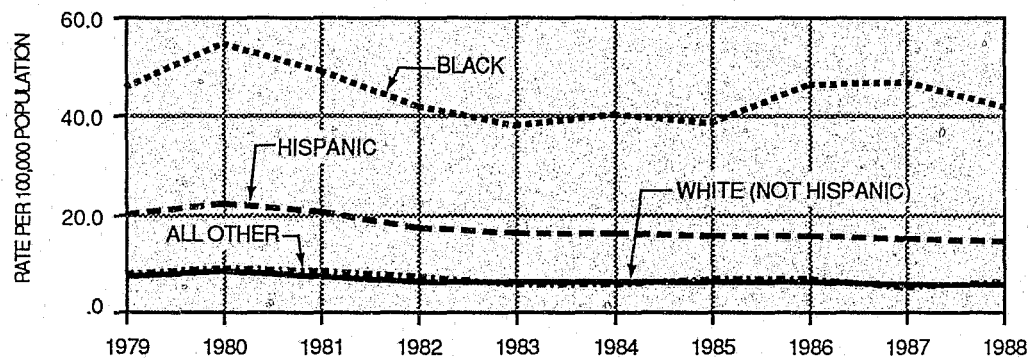


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Chart 11

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988

Rate per 100,000 Population by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

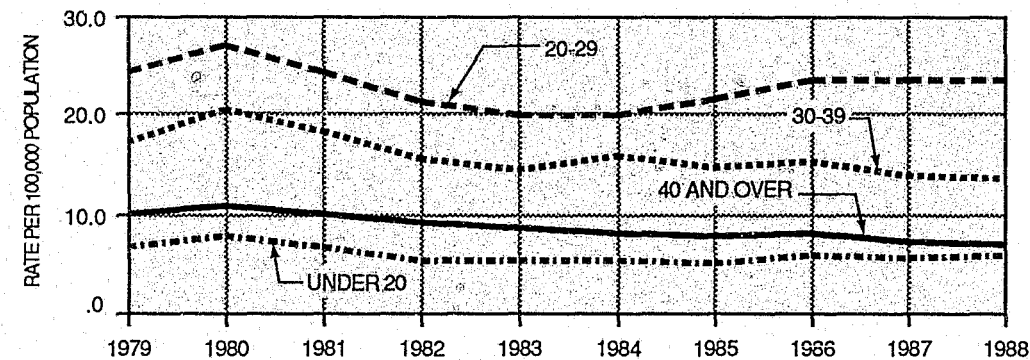


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## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988

Rate per 100,000 Population by Age of Victim



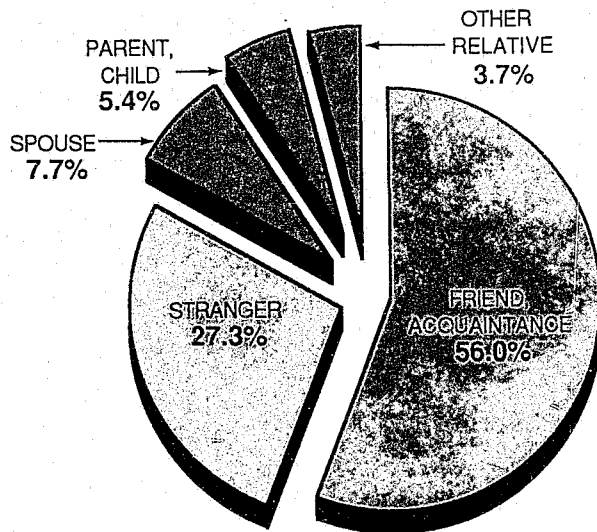
Source: Table 22.

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Chart 13

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Relationship of Victim to Offender



Notes: Of the total 2,947 reported cases, the relationship of the victim to the offender was not known for 822.  
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 Source: Table 23.

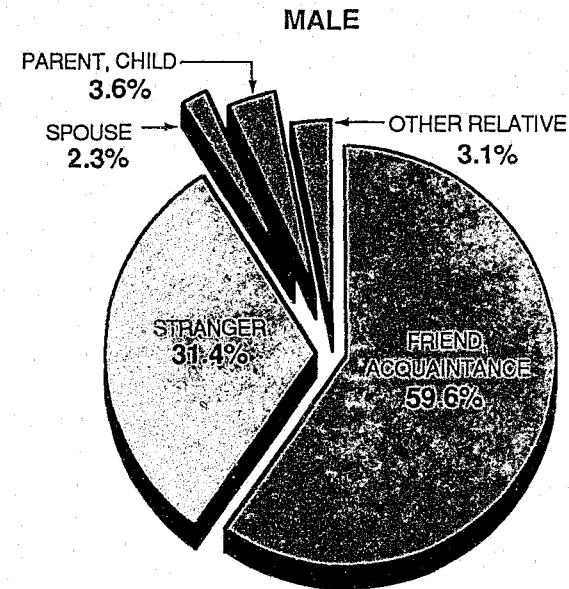
When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known relationship of the victim to the offender, it was found that:

- 56.0 percent of victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders.
- 27.3 percent of victims were strangers to offenders.
- 7.7 percent of victims were spouses of offenders.
- 5.4 percent of victims were parents or children of offenders.
- 3.7 percent of the relationships of victim to offender fell into the "other relative" category.

Chart 14

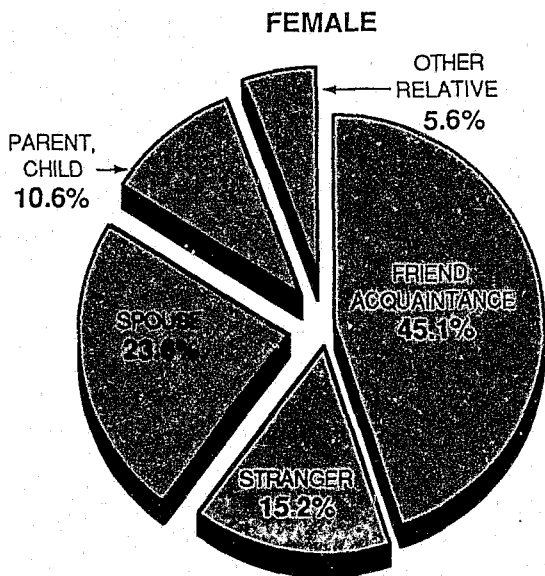
## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Relationship of Victim to Offender by Sex of Victim



When known relationship of the victim to the offender was compared with the sex of victims, it was found that:

- Male victims were more likely than female victims to be friends or acquaintances of offenders (59.6 versus 45.1 percent).
- Male victims were more likely than female victims to be strangers to offenders (31.4 versus 15.2 percent).
- Female victims were much more likely than male victims to be spouses of offenders (23.6 versus 2.3 percent).
- Female victims were more likely than male victims to be parents or children of offenders (10.6 versus 3.6 percent).



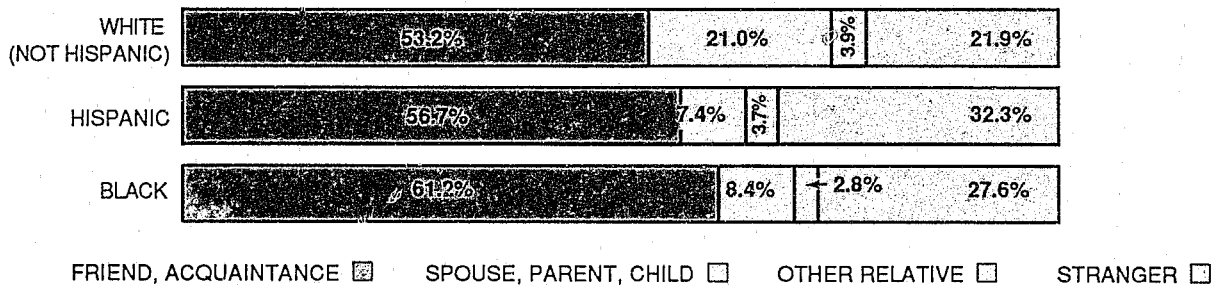
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Source: Table 23.

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Chart 15

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Relationship of Victim to Offender by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 24.

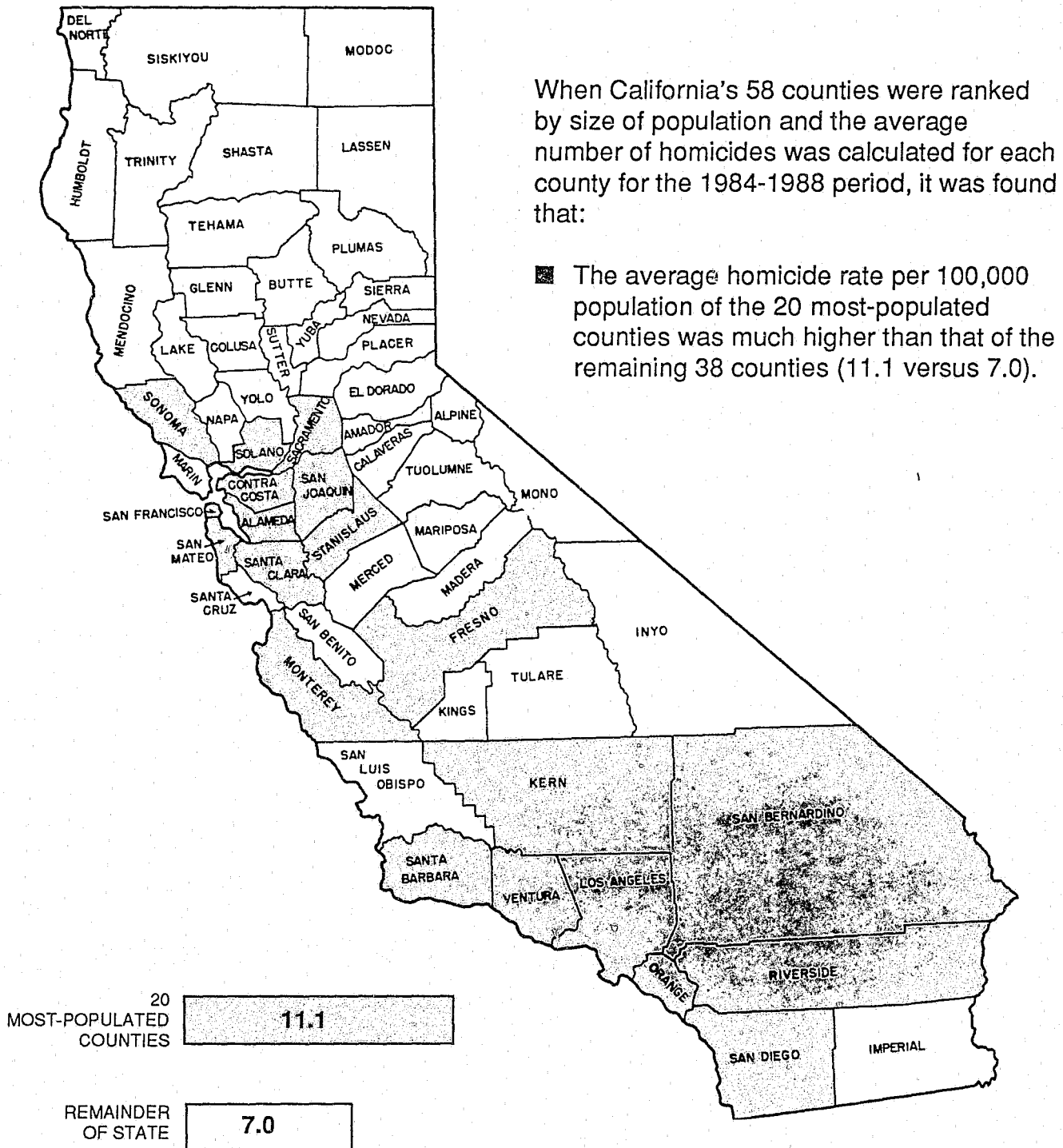
When known relationship of the victim to the offender was compared with the race/ethnic group of victims, it was found that:

- Black victims were more likely to be friends or acquaintances of offenders than white (not Hispanic) or Hispanic victims (61.2 versus 53.2 and 56.7 percent, respectively).
- White (not Hispanic) victims were much more likely to be spouses, parents, or children of offenders than either Hispanic or black victims (21.0 versus 7.4 and 8.4 percent, respectively).
- Hispanic and black victims were more likely to be strangers to offenders than white (not Hispanic) victims (32.3 and 27.6 versus 21.9 percent, respectively).

Chart 16

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1984-1988

Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population by Size of County



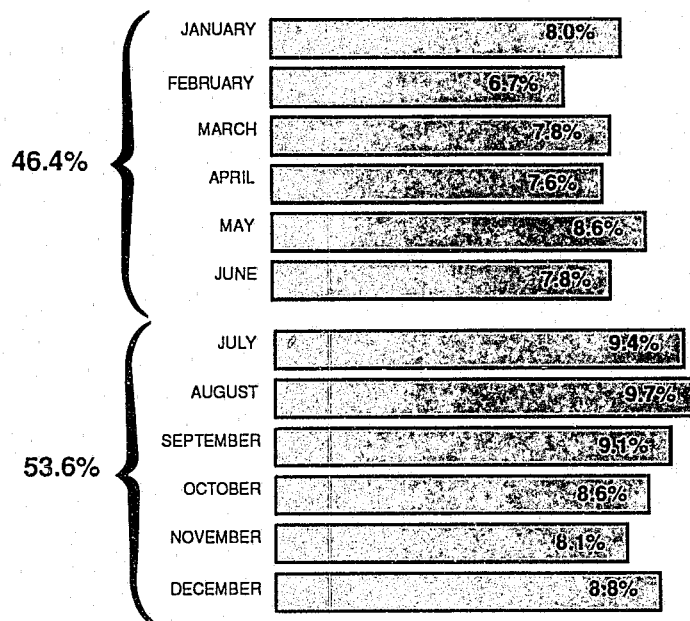
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**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988**  
Known Month of Incident

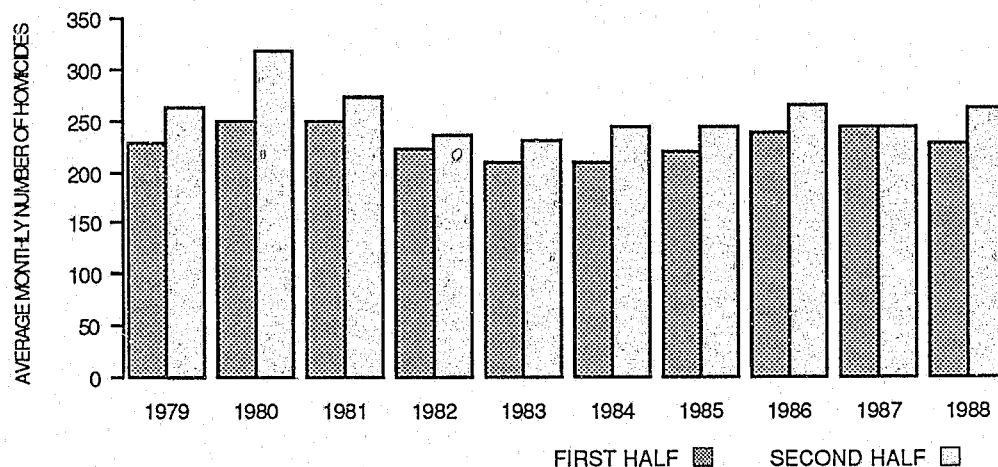
When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known month of incident, it was found that:

- The incident which ultimately led to death occurred more often in the last six months than in the first six months (53.6 versus 46.4 percent).
- With the exception of 1987, this relationship has been found to exist each year since 1974 (*Homicide in California, 1983*). This suggests a seasonal pattern in willful homicide crimes in which more persons are killed in the last six months than in the first six months of the year.



Note: Percents may not add to subtotals because of rounding.  
Source: Table 28.

Chart 18  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988**  
First Half of Year vs Second Half of Year

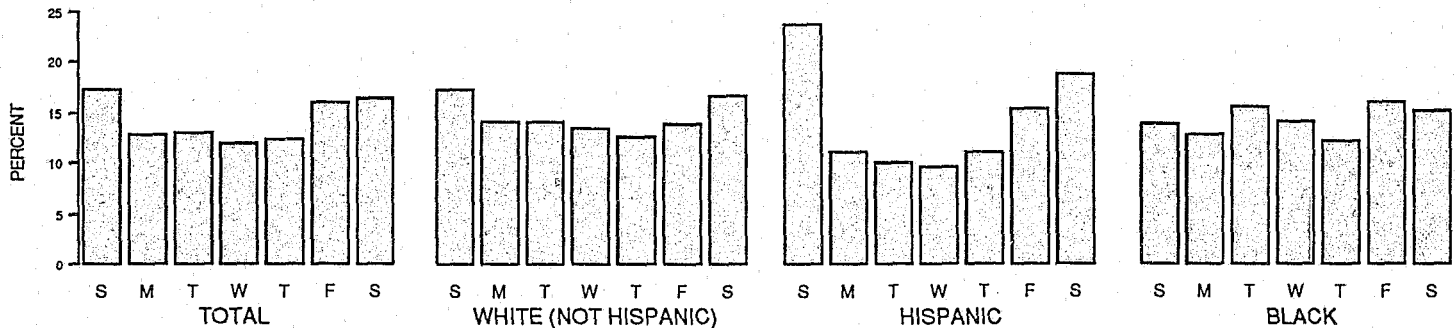


Source: Table 29.

Chart 19

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Day of Incident by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Source: Table 30.

When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known day of incident, it was found that:

- Most willful homicides occurred on Saturday and Sunday (16.5 and 17.3 percent, respectively).

When the known day of incident was compared with the race/ethnic group of victims, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more Hispanics than whites (not Hispanic) or blacks were killed on Saturday and Sunday (42.6 versus 29.3 and 29.0 percent, respectively).
- Whites (not Hispanic) and blacks were killed most often on Friday (16.7 and 16.1 percent, respectively), while Sunday was the peak day for Hispanics (23.8 percent).

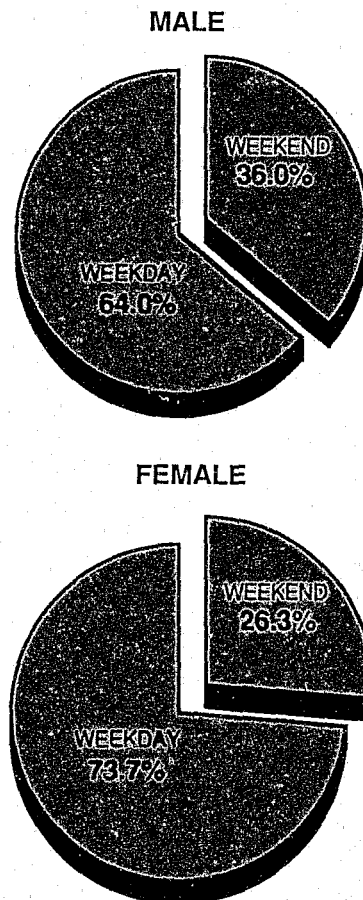
When the known day of incident was compared with the sex of victims, it was found that:

- For both males and females, over one-fourth were killed on weekends (36.0 and 26.3 percent, respectively).

Chart 20

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Day of Incident by Sex of Victim



Source: Table 30.

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Chart 21

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

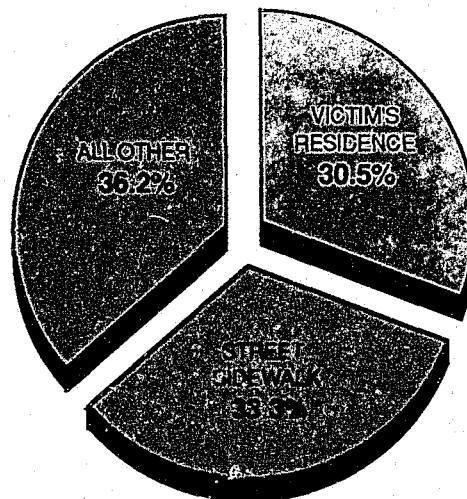
Known Location of Homicide

When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known location of incident, it was found that:

- 30.5 percent of victims were killed at their places of residence.
- 33.3 percent of homicides occurred on streets or sidewalks.

When the known location of incident was compared with the sex of victims, it was found that:

- Proportionately, many more females than males were killed at their places of residence (55.4 versus 23.0 percent).
- Proportionately, many more males than females were killed on streets or sidewalks (39.2 versus 13.6 percent).

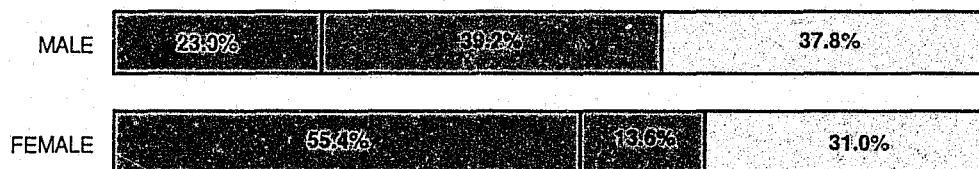


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## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Location of Homicide by Sex of Victim

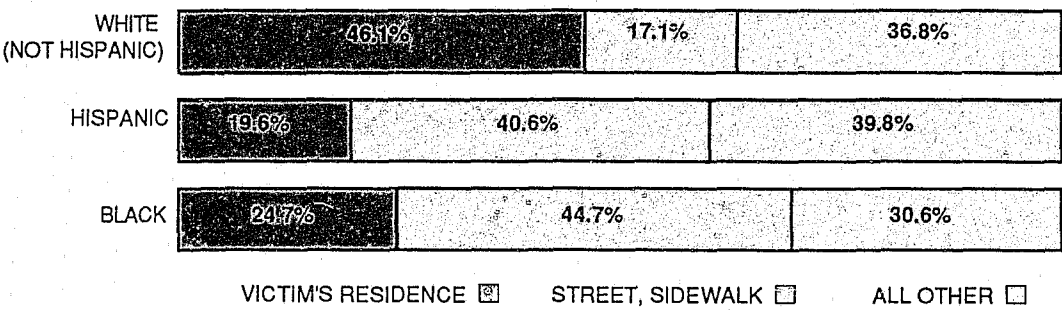


VICTIM'S RESIDENCE ■ STREET, SIDEWALK ■ ALL OTHER □

Source: Table 32.



Chart 23  
**WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988**  
 Known Location of Homicide by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

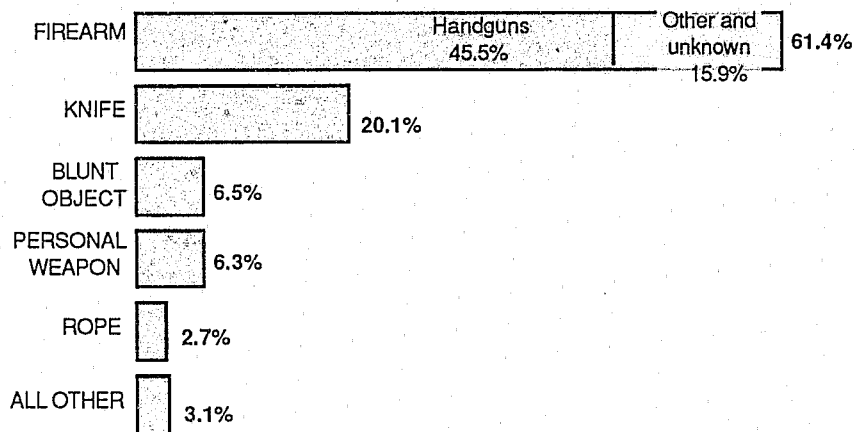


Source: Table 33.

When the known location of incident was compared with the race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) than Hispanics or blacks were killed at their places of residence (46.1 versus 19.6 and 24.7 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, fewer whites (not Hispanic) than Hispanics or blacks were killed on streets or sidewalks (17.1 versus 40.6 and 44.7 percent, respectively).

Chart 24  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Type of Weapon



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 35.

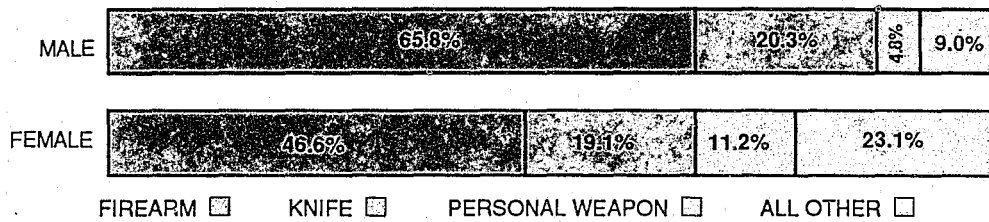
When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known type of weapon, it was found that:

- 61.4 percent resulted from the use of firearms.
  - 45.5 percent resulted from the use of handguns.
  - 15.9 percent resulted from the use of other and unknown types of firearms.
- 20.1 percent resulted from the use of knives.
- 6.5 percent resulted from the use of blunt objects (bludgeons, clubs, etc.).
- 6.3 percent resulted from the use of personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.).
- 2.7 percent resulted from the use of ropes.
- 3.1 percent resulted from the use of weapons grouped in the "all other" category.

Chart 25

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Type of Weapon by Sex of Victim



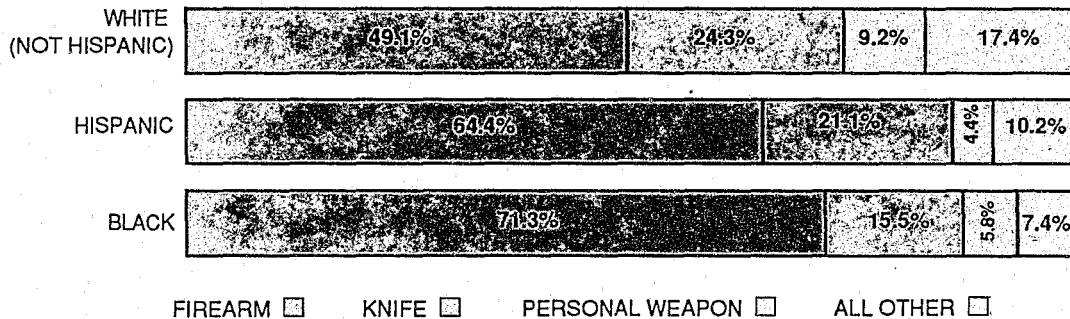
Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 36.

Chart 26

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Type of Weapon by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 37.

When the known type of weapon used was compared with the sex and/or race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- Regardless of sex or race/ethnic group, the victim was most likely to have been killed by a firearm.
- The proportion of males killed by firearms was greater than that of females (65.8 versus 46.6 percent).
- The proportion of females killed by personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) was greater than that of males (11.2 versus 4.8 percent).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) were killed by personal weapons than were Hispanics or blacks (9.2 versus 4.4 and 5.8 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) were killed by knives than were Hispanics or blacks (24.3 versus 21.1 and 15.5 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more Hispanics and blacks were killed by firearms than were whites (not Hispanic) (64.4 and 71.3 versus 49.1 percent, respectively).

# CRIMES

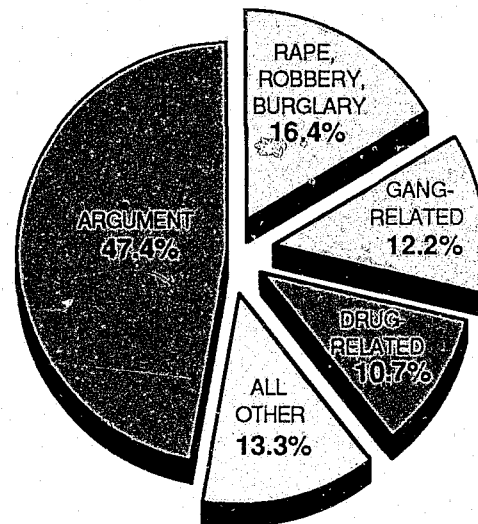
Chart 27

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Contributing Circumstance

When 1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by known contributing circumstance, it was found that:

- 47.4 percent were associated with arguments.
- 16.4 percent were associated with rape, robbery, or burglary.
- 12.2 percent were gang-related.
- 10.7 percent were drug-related.
- 13.3 percent were associated with "all other" contributing circumstances.



Source: Table 39.

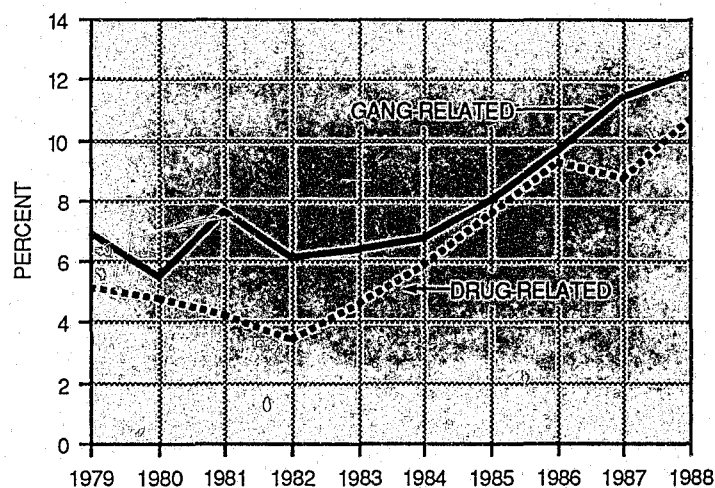
Chart 28

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988

Known Contributing Circumstance by Year  
Gang-Related and Drug-Related

When 1979-1988 willful homicide crimes were examined by selected contributing circumstances, it was found that:

- The proportion of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was gang-related increased from 6.9 percent in 1979 to 12.2 percent in 1988.
- The proportion of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was drug-related increased from 5.1 percent in 1979 to 10.7 percent in 1988.

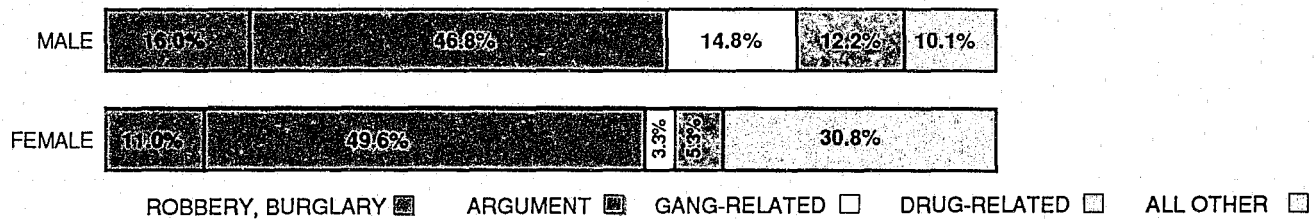


Source: Table 44.

Chart 29

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Contributing Circumstance by Sex of Victim



Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Charts 27, 30, and 31 include rape with robbery and burglary. However, for a more meaningful comparison between male and female victims, rape is included in the "all other" category in Chart 29. In 1988, 6.5 percent of willful homicide crimes involving females were the result of rape.

Source: Table 39.

When the known contributing circumstance was compared with the sex of willful homicide victims in 1988, it was found that:

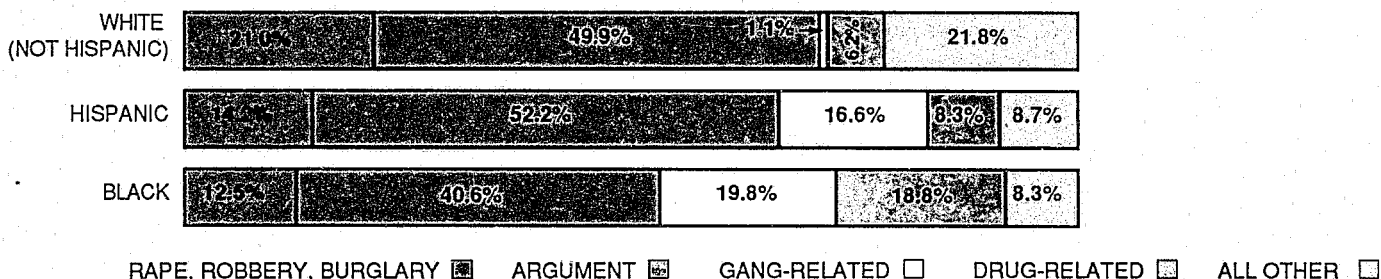
- Males were much more likely than females to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was gang-related or drug-related (14.8 and 12.2 versus 3.3 and 5.3 percent, respectively).

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Chart 30

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Contributing Circumstance by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim



Source: Table 40.

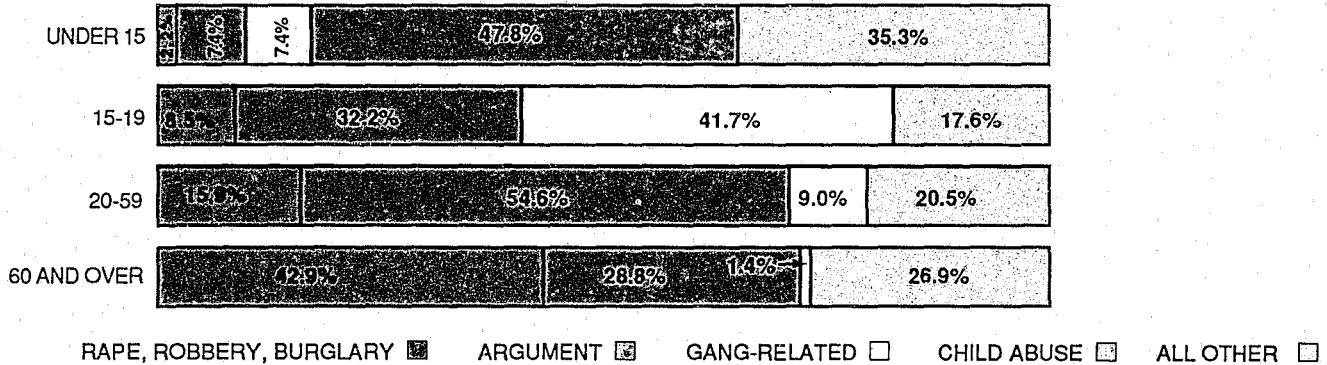
When the known contributing circumstance was compared with the race/ethnic group of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- For each race/ethnic group shown, the circumstance which most often contributed to homicides was an argument.
- Whites (not Hispanic) were more likely than either Hispanics or blacks to have been victims of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was rape, robbery, or burglary (21.0 versus 14.2 and 12.5 percent, respectively).
- Whites (not Hispanic) were less likely than either Hispanics or blacks to have been victims of gang-related homicides (1.1 versus 16.6 and 19.8 percent, respectively).
- Blacks were much more likely than either whites (not Hispanic) or Hispanics to have been victims of drug-related homicides (18.8 versus 6.2 and 8.3 percent, respectively).

Chart 31

## WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988

Known Contributing Circumstance by Known Age of Victim



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 42.

When the known contributing circumstance was compared with the known age of willful homicide victims, it was found that:

- Of the 136 victims 0-14 years old, 47.8 percent of the homicides were the result of child abuse. This finding was even more pronounced for 0-4 year olds in which 65.9 percent of deaths resulted from child abuse (Table 43).
- Of the 307 victims 15-19 years old, 41.7 percent of the homicides resulted from gang-related circumstances.
- Of the 1,866 victims 20-59 years old, 54.6 percent of the homicides resulted from arguments.
- Of the 212 victims 60 years of age and older, the contributing circumstance was rape, robbery, or burglary in 42.9 percent of the homicides (.9, 35.4, and 6.6 percent, respectively).

# ARRESTS

## ARRESTS FOR MURDER

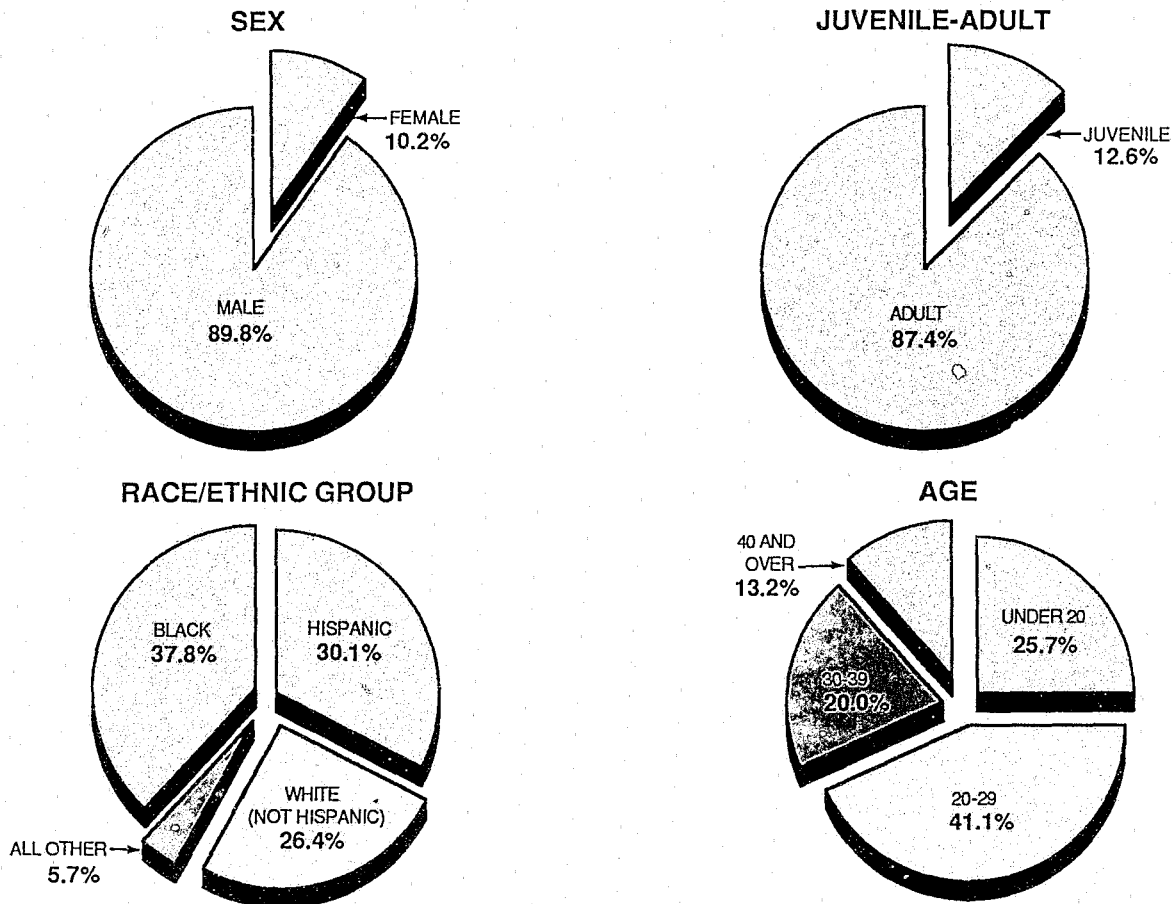
Murder is defined as the unlawful killing, with malice aforethought, of a human being. Information about arrests for murder was obtained from the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register (MACR) which contains information on all arrests made in 1988, as reported to BCS by California law enforcement agencies. This section of the report describes the personal characteristics (sex, race/ethnic group, and age) of persons arrested for murder in 1988.



Chart 32

## ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988

Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, Juvenile-Adult, and Age of Arrestee



Source: Tables 46, 47, 48, and 49.

Analysis of the personal characteristics of 2,925 arrestees for murder in 1988 revealed that:

- 10.2 percent were female.
- 89.8 percent were male.

And,

- 26.4 percent were white (not Hispanic).
- 30.1 percent were Hispanic.
- 37.8 percent were black.
- 5.7 percent were of "all other" race/ethnic groups.

And,

- 12.6 percent were juvenile.
- 87.4 percent were adult.

And,

- 25.7 percent were under 20 years of age.
- 41.1 percent were 20-29 years of age.
- 20.0 percent were 30-39 years of age.
- 13.2 percent were 40 years of age or older.

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When the sex of arrestees for murder in 1988 was compared with the race/ethnic group of arrestees for murder, it was found that:

- The ratio of male to female was much greater for Hispanics than for either whites (not Hispanic) or blacks (17 to 1 versus 5 to 1 and 9 to 1, respectively).

When the age of arrestees for murder was compared with the race/ethnic group of arrestees for murder, it was found that:

- Proportionately, fewer whites (not Hispanic) were under 20 years of age than were Hispanics or blacks (9.6 versus 31.1 and 31.9 percent, respectively).
- However, proportionately more whites (not Hispanic) were 30-39 years of age than were Hispanics or blacks (27.3 versus 17.4 and 17.2 percent, respectively).

And,

- Proportionately more whites (not Hispanic) were 40 years of age or older than were Hispanics or blacks (24.8 versus 7.8 and 9.8 percent, respectively).

When data pertaining to juvenile and adult arrestees for murder were compared with the race/ethnic group of arrestees for murder, it was found that:

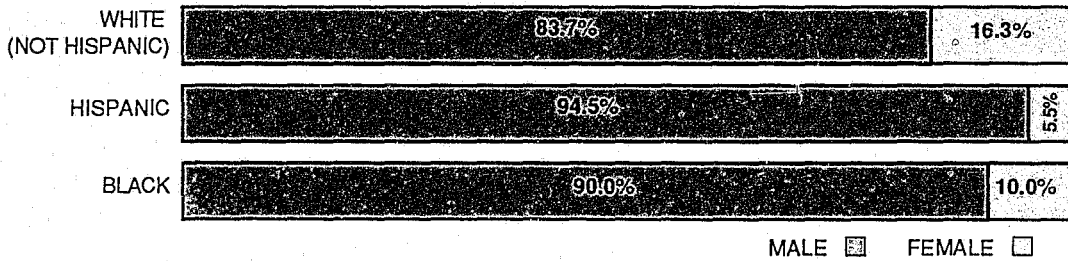
- The proportion of white (not Hispanic) juveniles was less than the proportion of white (not Hispanic) adults (7.0 versus 29.2 percent).
- However, the proportion of Hispanics and blacks was greater for juveniles than for adults (39.8 and 48.8 versus 28.6 and 36.2 percent, respectively).

# ARRESTS

Chart 33

## ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988

Sex of Arrestee by Race/Ethnic Group

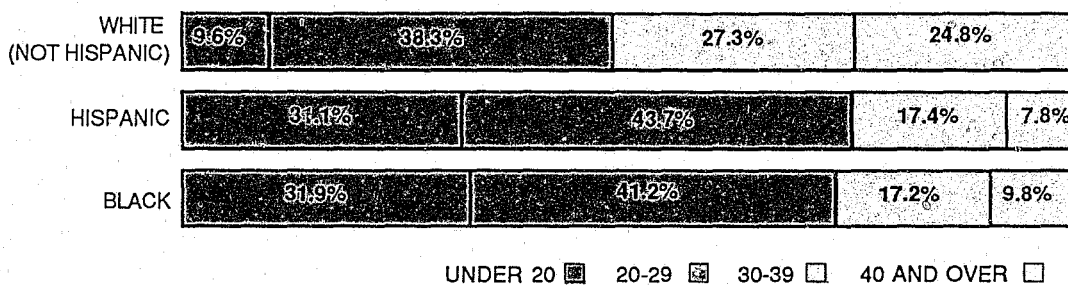


Source: Table 46.

Chart 34

## ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988

Age of Arrestee by Race/Ethnic Group



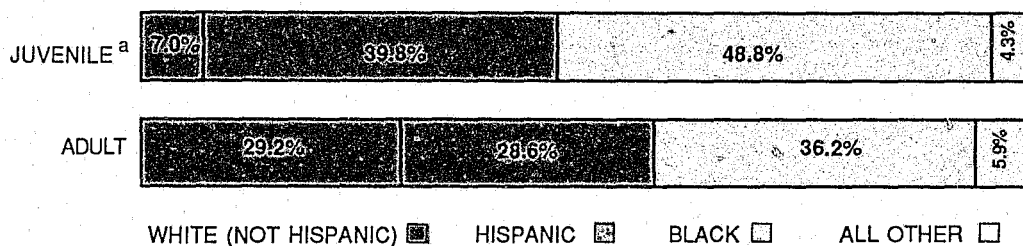
Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 49.

Chart 35

## ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988

Race/Ethnic Group of Juvenile and Adult Arrestees



<sup>a</sup>A person under 18 years of age.

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 48.

# DISPOSITIONS

## DISPOSITIONS OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER

This section of the report describes dispositions made during 1988 of adults arrested for murder, regardless of the year of arrest. Data were obtained from the Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system. OBTS system data are compiled from information collected on the arrest fingerprint card (FD 249) and the "Disposition of Arrest and Court Action" form (JUS 8715). Despite underreporting of JUS 8715 forms, it is believed that these dispositions are generally descriptive of those adult felony arrestees processed through the criminal justice system. Disposition data presented are based on arrests for murder only.

In 1988 there were 34 persons sentenced to death. All 34 were arrested for murder (in 1988 or prior years), subsequently convicted, and sentenced to death in 1988. In this section these death sentences are included in the "prison" category when type of sentence is compared with convicted offense. Additional information about persons who received the death penalty in 1988 is presented in the Death Penalty Cases Section on page 41.

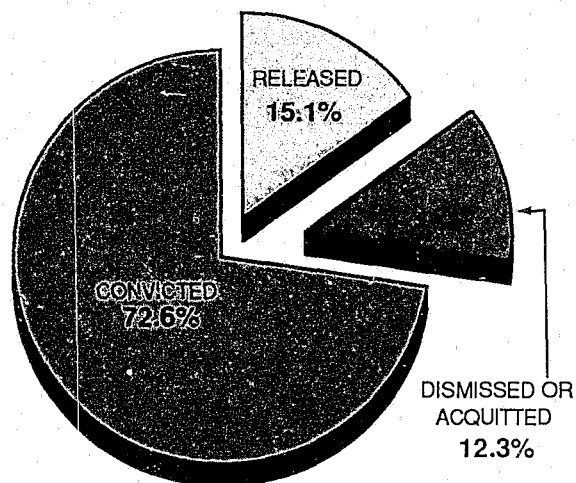
OBTS data were analyzed by:

- Comparing the type of disposition (release, dismissal or acquittal, and conviction) with personal characteristics of the arrestee.
- Comparing convicted offense (murder and other offenses such as manslaughter, assault, and robbery) with personal characteristics of the convicted arrestee.
- Comparing the type of sentence received with the convicted offense of the arrestee.

Chart 36

## DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER

Type of Disposition



Source: Table 51.

Examination of 1988 dispositions of adults arrested for murder revealed that:

- 15.1 percent were released at the law enforcement level or had a complaint denied at the prosecutor level.
- 12.3 percent were either dismissed or acquitted by the courts.
- 72.6 percent were convicted of murder or some other offense.

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Chart 37

## DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER

Type of Disposition by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

### SEX

MALE	14.2%	11.6%	74.2%
FEMALE	25.2%	18.1%	56.7%

### RACE/ETHNIC GROUP

WHITE (NOT HISPANIC)	9.3%	11.8%	78.9%
HISPANIC	19.0%	11.3%	69.7%
BLACK	16.9%	13.0%	70.1%

### AGE

UNDER 20	28.6%	12.3%	59.1%
20-29	13.1%	10.7%	76.2%
30-39	14.9%	13.8%	71.3%
40 AND OVER	12.6%	14.4%	73.0%

RELEASED ☐ DISMISSED OR ACQUITTED ☐ CONVICTED ☐

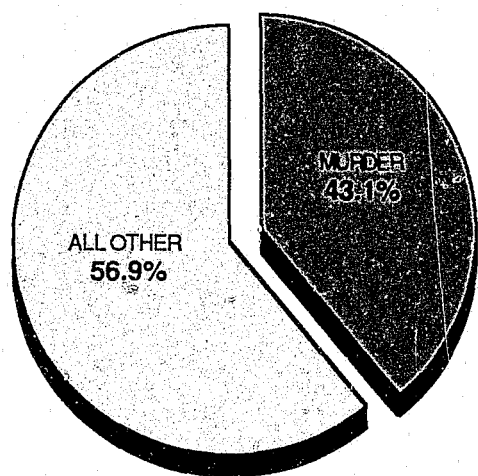
Source: Table 51.

When 1988 dispositions of adults arrested for murder were examined by sex, race/ethnic group, and age, it was found that:

- Females were more likely to be released, dismissed, or acquitted than males (25.2 and 18.1 versus 14.2 and 11.6 percent, respectively).
- Males were more likely to be convicted by the courts than females (74.2 versus 56.7 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more whites (not Hispanic) than Hispanics or blacks were convicted (78.9 versus 69.7 and 70.1 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, arrestees under 20 years of age were more likely to be released than other age groups shown (28.6 versus 13.1, 14.9, and 12.6 percent, respectively).
- Arrestees 20-29 years of age were more likely to be convicted by the courts than other age groups shown (76.2 versus 59.1, 71.3, and 73.0 percent, respectively).

Chart 38

## DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED Convicted Offense



Source: Table 56.

Of those adults arrested for murder who were convicted in 1988, it was found that:

- 43.1 percent were convicted of murder.
- 56.9 percent were convicted of lesser crimes, such as manslaughter, assault, or robbery.

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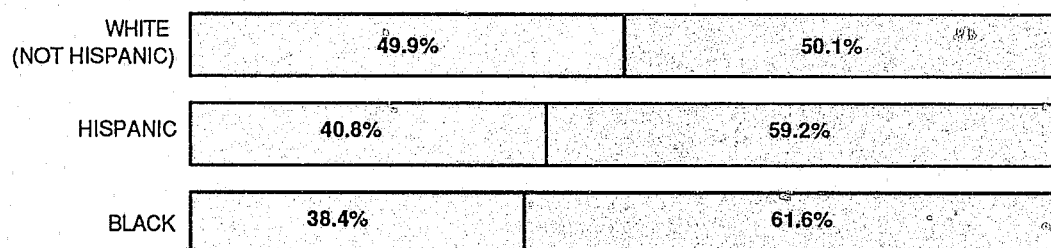
Chart 39

## DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED Convicted Offense by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

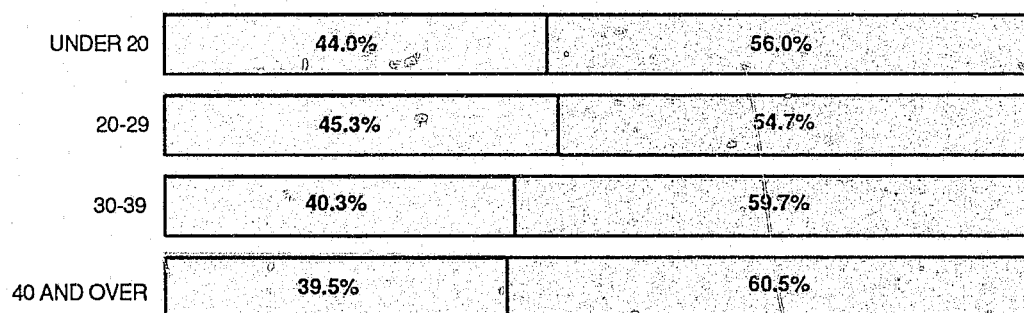
### SEX



### RACE/ETHNIC GROUP



### AGE



MURDER ☐ ALL OTHER ☐

Source: Table 56.

When dispositions in 1988 of adults arrested for murder and convicted were examined by sex, race/ethnic group, and age, it was found that:

■ More males than females were convicted of murder (43.5 versus 37.5 percent).

■ Proportionately, fewer blacks were convicted of murder than either whites (not Hispanic) or Hispanics (38.4 versus 49.9 and 40.8 percent, respectively).

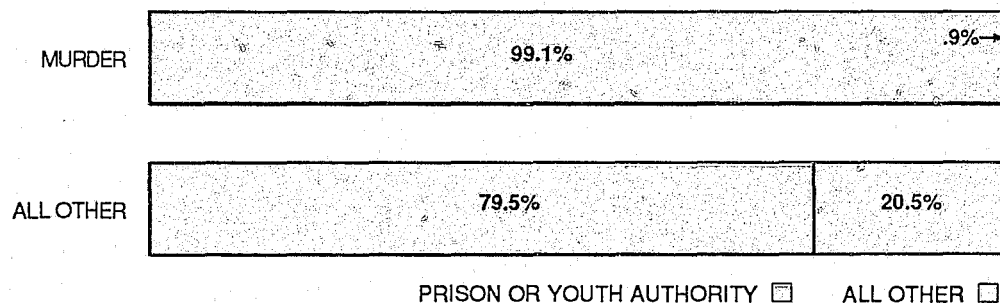
■ More persons in the 20-29 age group were convicted of murder (45.3 percent) than in any other age group.



Chart 40

## DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED

Type of Sentence by Convicted Offense



Source: Table 61.

When dispositions in 1988 of adults arrested for murder and convicted were examined by type of sentence, it was found that:

- Proportionately, more of those convicted of murder were sentenced to prison or to the Youth Authority than were those convicted of lesser offenses (99.1 versus 79.5 percent).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Prison includes 34 death penalty dispositions of adults arrested for murder and reported via the OBTS system. See page 40 for additional information on death penalty cases.

# DEATH PENALTY CASES



## DEATH SENTENCES

This section presents information on those persons sentenced to death in California superior courts in 1988. Death penalty cases were extracted from the 1988 Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system.

The death penalty in California was ruled unconstitutional by the California Supreme Court in February 1972. This was followed by a public vote and the reinstatement of the death penalty in January 1974. The resultant statute was subsequently declared unconstitutional by the California Supreme Court in December 1976. By virtue of a veto override in August 1977, new legislation was adopted that reinstated the death penalty in California.

By public vote on November 7, 1978, additional criteria were added to the special circumstances under which a person could be sentenced to death. A summary of the criteria specified by Penal Code Section 190.2 follows:

- Intentional murder for financial gain.
- Previously convicted of murder in the first or second degree.
- Multiple convictions for first or second degree murder.
- Murder perpetrated by means of destructive device, bomb, or explosive.
- Murder to prevent arrest or to effect escape from custody.
- Murder of a peace officer or fireman engaged in the performance of his/her duties.
- Murder of a witness to prevent testimony or in retaliation for testimony given.
- Murder of an elected or appointed official, judge, or prosecutor in retaliation for performance of his/her official duties.
- Murder by ambush.
- Murder because of the victim's race, color, religion, nationality, or country of origin.
- Murder involving torture.
- Murder by poison.
- Murder during the commission of: a) robbery, b) kidnapping, c) rape, d) lewd or lascivious act upon a child under the age of 14, e) sodomy or oral copulation in violation of Penal Code Sections 286 and 288a, f) burglary, g) arson, and h) train wrecking.

In 1972, and again in 1976, the California Supreme Court ruled the death penalty statute unconstitutional. This resulted in a large decrease in the number of persons on death row. Existing death penalty cases were returned to court for resentencing to the next most severe punishment.

With the reinstatement of the death penalty in August 1977, the number of persons under sentence of death began to grow. By the end of 1988, 223 persons were under sentence of death in California.

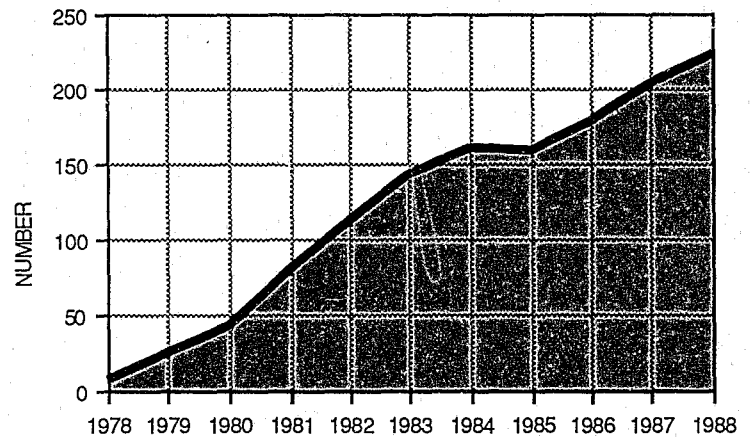
# DEATH PENALTY CASES

During 1988, 34 persons were convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to death. These were initial death sentences only and do not include persons who were resentenced to death after their death sentences were reversed on appeal. The sex, race/ethnic group, age, and sentencing county of those sentenced to death are presented in Table 2.

Of the 34 defendants newly sentenced to death in 1988:

- All were male.
- 18 were white (not Hispanic).
- 4 were Hispanic.
- 11 were black.
- 1 fell into the "all other" race/ethnic group category.
- The mean (average) age was 33.
- Los Angeles County sentenced the largest number (9).

Chart 41  
PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-1988



Source: Table 63.

Table 2  
DEFENDANTS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 1988  
Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age by Sentencing County

Sentencing county	Total	Sex		Race/ethnic group				Age at disposition					
		Male	Female	White (not Hispanic)	Hispanic	Black	All other	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over
TOTAL.....	34	34	0	18	4	11	1	0	6	10	6	5	7
Alameda.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Amador.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Butte.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kern.....	3	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
Los Angeles.....	9	9	0	4	0	5	0	0	1	1	2	1	4
Orange.....	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Riverside.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sacramento.....	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino.....	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Diego.....	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
San Luis Obispo.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
San Mateo.....	3	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Santa Barbara.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Santa Clara.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Shasta.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ventura.....	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

Note: Does not include persons resentenced to death after death sentence was reversed on appeal.

Source: 1988 Dispositions of Adult Felony Arrests (OBTS) file, Bureau of Criminal Statistics.

# PEACE OFFICERS KILLED

## PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

Table 3  
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED  
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1979-1988

Year	Peace officers killed
TOTAL.....	71
Total .....	29
1988.....	9
1987.....	4
1986.....	6
1985.....	4
1984.....	6
Total .....	42
1983.....	9
1982.....	6
1981.....	8
1980.....	7
1979.....	12

Source: 1988 Homicide File, Bureau of Criminal Statistics.

Information about peace officers killed in the line of duty was obtained from the Homicide File. Only sworn officers are included. Non-sworn officers, such as security guards, are excluded.

Examination of the data in Table 3 revealed that:

- From 1979-1988, 71 peace officers were killed in the line of duty.
- On the average, 7 peace officers were killed annually. In 1988, the number was 9.
- The number of peace officers killed in the past five years (1984-1988) was 31.0 percent less than that of the previous five years (29 versus 42).

# PEACE OFFICERS KILLED

Table 4  
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED  
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1988  
Sex of Victim by Race/Ethnic Group

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female
TOTAL.....	9	9	0
White (not Hispanic).....	6	6	0
Hispanic.....	2	2	0
Black.....	0	0	0
All other.....	1	1	0

Source: 1988 Homicide File, Bureau of Criminal Statistics.

Table 5  
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED  
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1988  
Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	
TOTAL.....	9
Handgun.....	8
Offender's.....	7
Officer's.....	1
Firearm (unknown type).....	1
Offender's.....	1
Officer's.....	0

Source: 1988 Homicide File, Bureau of Criminal Statistics.

Examination of the data in Tables 4 and 5 revealed that:

- In 1988, all 9 peace officers killed in the line of duty were male; 6 were white (not Hispanic), 2 were Hispanic, and 1 fell into the "all other" category.
- In 1988, 9 peace officers were killed by firearms - 8 by handguns, and 1 by a firearm of unknown type.

# JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES |||||

## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

A justifiable homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as the killing of a felon by a private citizen or a peace officer during the commission of a felony. Justifiable homicides are sometimes referred to as excusable or noncriminal homicides. The California Penal Code defines killing in self-defense as justifiable homicide, whereas the national UCR Program does not. Therefore, self-defense cases are treated as willful rather than justifiable homicides and are excluded from these data.

When justifiable homicides committed by peace officers and private citizens in 1988 were examined by sex, race/ethnic group, and known age, it was found that:

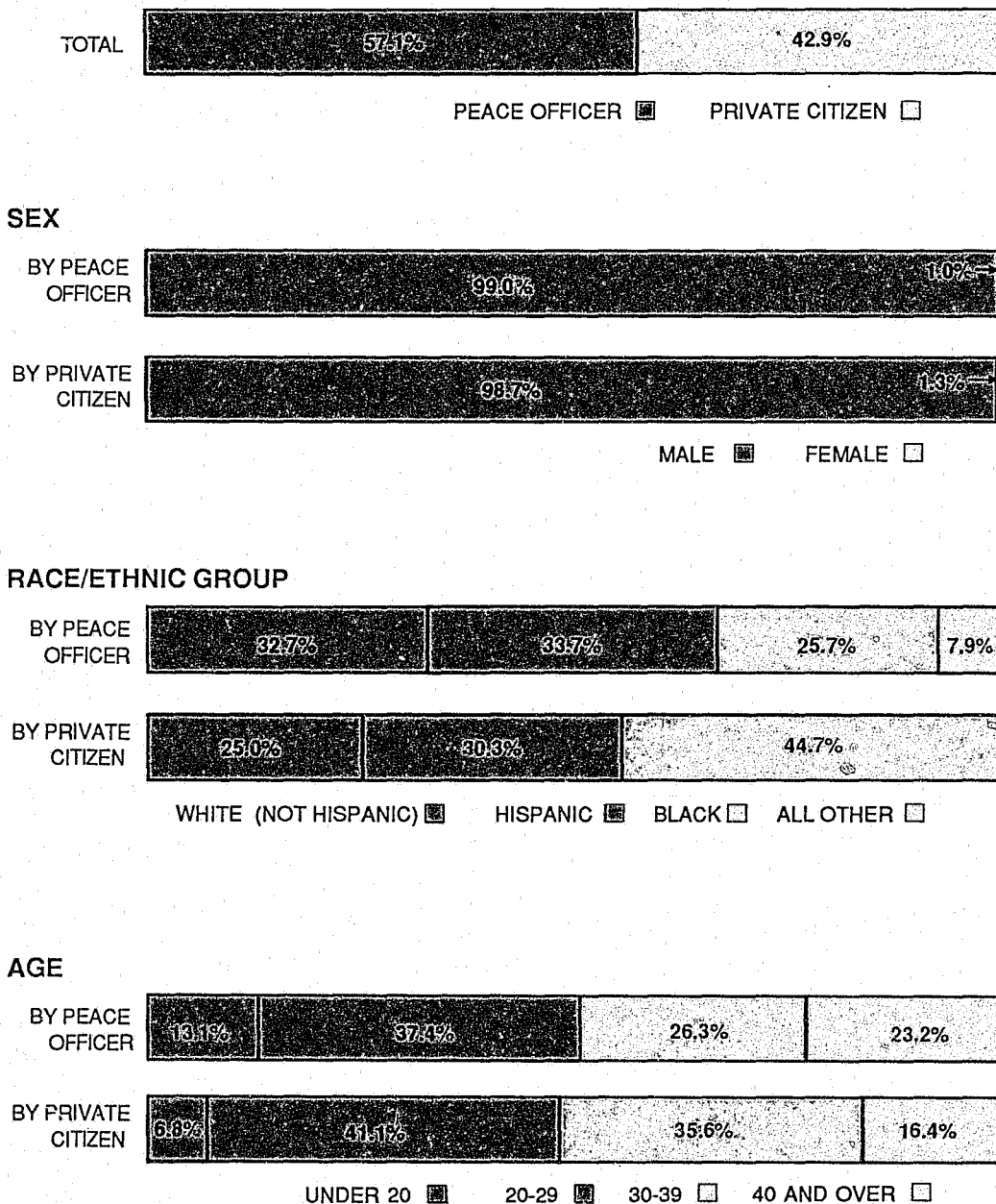
- Most felons killed by peace officers and private citizens were male (99.0 and 98.7 percent, respectively).
- Proportionately, more felons killed by peace officers were white (not Hispanic) than were felons killed by private citizens (32.7 versus 25.0 percent).
- Proportionately, fewer felons killed by peace officers were black than were felons killed by private citizens (25.7 versus 44.7 percent).
- Most felons killed by peace officers and private citizens were 20-29 years of age (37.4 and 41.1 percent, respectively).

# JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

Chart 42

## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988

Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Known Age of Deceased

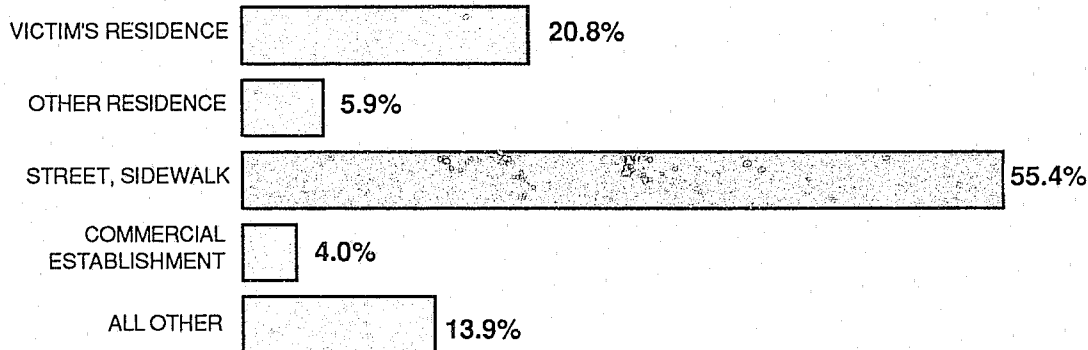


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Source: Tables 65 and 69.

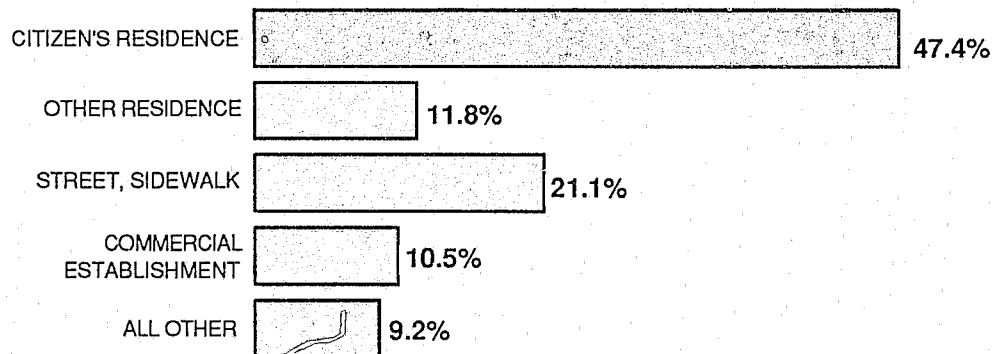
# JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES |||||

Chart 43  
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988**  
Known Location of Homicide

## BY PEACE OFFICER



## BY PRIVATE CITIZEN



Source: Tables 66 and 70.

When justifiable homicides committed by peace officers and private citizens in 1988 were examined by known location, it was found that:

- Felons were most frequently killed by peace officers on a street or sidewalk (55.4 percent).
- Felons were most frequently killed by private citizens in the citizen's residence (47.4 percent).



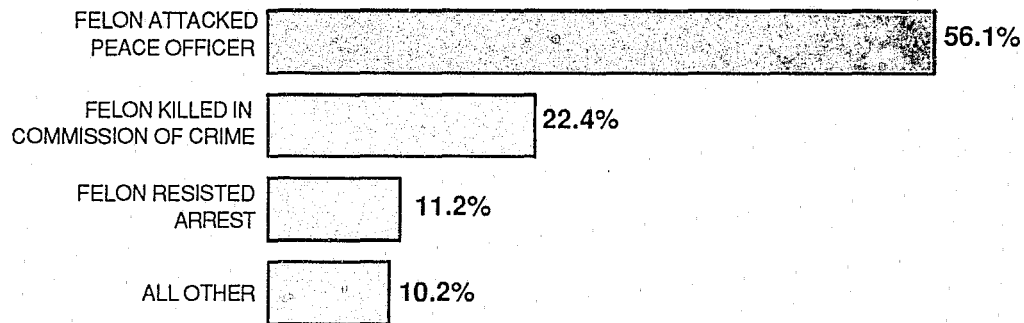
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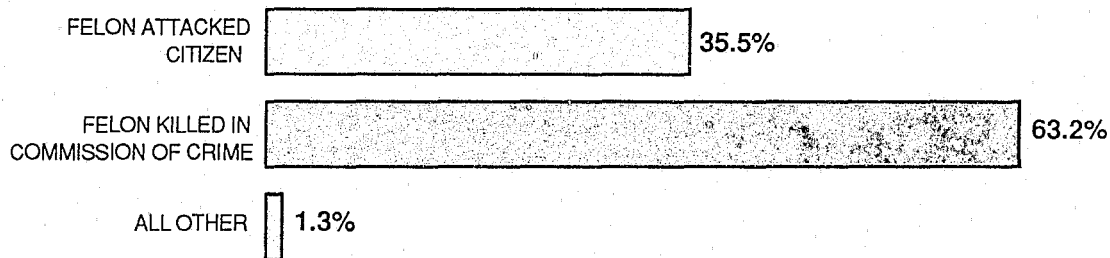
## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988

Known Contributing Circumstance

### BY PEACE OFFICER



### BY PRIVATE CITIZEN



Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Tables 68 and 72.

When justifiable homicides committed by peace officers and private citizens in 1988 were examined by contributing circumstance, it was found that:

- For peace officers, the circumstances most frequently contributing to justifiable homicides were those of a felon being killed when attacking the peace officer (56.1 percent) and a felon being killed in the commission of a crime (22.4 percent).
- For private citizens, the circumstances most frequently contributing to justifiable homicides were those of a felon being killed in the commission of a crime (63.2 percent) and a felon being killed when attacking the private citizen (35.5 percent).

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TABLE 6  
VIOLENT CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year	Population	Total		Violent crimes							
				Willful homicide		Forcible rape		Robbery		Aggravated assault <sup>a</sup>	
		Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
1988.....	28,314,500	261,990	925.3	2,947	10.4	11,771	41.6	86,190	304.4	161,082	568.9
1987.....	27,662,900	254,137	918.7	2,929	10.6	12,114	43.8	83,373	301.4	155,721	562.9
1986.....	26,980,800	248,352	920.5	3,030	11.2	12,118	44.9	92,513	342.9	140,691	521.4
1985.....	26,365,100	202,066	766.4	2,781	10.5	11,442	43.4	86,464	327.9	101,379	384.5
1984.....	25,622,000	195,650	763.6	2,724	10.6	11,702	45.7	84,015	327.9	97,209	379.4
1983.....	25,174,000	194,489	772.6	2,640	10.5	12,092	48.0	85,824	340.9	93,933	373.1
1982.....	24,724,000	201,433	814.7	2,778	11.2	12,529	50.7	91,988	372.1	94,138	380.8
1981.....	24,196,000	208,165	860.3	3,140	13.0	13,545	56.0	93,638	387.0	97,842	404.4
1980.....	23,769,000	209,903	883.1	3,405	14.3	13,661	57.5	90,282	379.8	102,555	431.5
1979.....	23,255,000	183,704	790.0	2,941	12.6	12,199	52.5	75,649	325.3	92,915	399.5
Percent change in number from:											
1987 to 1988		3.1		.6		-2.8		3.4		3.4	
1984 to 1988		33.9		8.2		.6		2.6		65.7	
1979 to 1988		42.6		.2		-3.5		13.9		73.4	
Percent change in rate from:											
1987 to 1988			.7		-1.9		-5.0		1.0		1.1
1984 to 1988			21.2		-1.9		-9.0		-7.2		49.9
1979 to 1988			17.1		-17.5		-20.8		-6.4		42.4

<sup>a</sup>A law change on January 1, 1986 revised law enforcement procedures for dealing with domestic violence. This law had a dramatic effect on reported aggravated assaults.

Note: California population estimates are compiled by the Population Research Unit of the California Department of Finance. In order to provide the most current data, the Department of Finance periodically revises the population estimates.

Sources: *Crime and Delinquency in California*, 1983-1988, published by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics, California Department of Justice.

TABLE 7  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Sex of Victim by Race/Ethnic Group

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female
<b>TOTAL</b>			
Number.....	2,947	2,258	689
Percent.....	100.0	76.6	23.4
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>			
Number.....	948	618	330
Percent.....	100.0	65.2	34.8
<b>Hispanic</b>			
Number.....	917	801	116
Percent.....	100.0	87.4	12.6
<b>Black</b>			
Number.....	917	730	187
Percent.....	100.0	79.6	20.4
<b>All other</b>			
Number.....	151	98	53
Percent.....	100.0	64.9	35.1
<b>Unknown</b>			
Number.....	14	11	3
Percent.....	100.0	—	—

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 21.

TABLE 8  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Sex of Victim

	1979			1980			1981			1982			1983		
	Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female
Number.....	2,941	2,341	600	3,405	2,709	696	3,140	2,472	668	2,778	2,133	645	2,640	2,053	587
Percent.....	100.0	79.6	20.4	100.0	79.6	20.4	100.0	78.7	21.3	100.0	76.8	23.2	100.0	77.8	22.2
	1984			1985			1986			1987			1988		
	Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim		Total	Sex of victim	
		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female
Number.....	2,724	2,073	651	2,781	2,121	660	3,030	2,354	676	2,929	2,223	706	2,947	2,258	689
Percent.....	100.0	76.1	23.9	100.0	76.3	23.7	100.0	77.7	22.3	100.0	75.9	24.1	100.0	76.6	23.4

Source: Tables 12 through 21.

TABLE 9  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Known Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Known race/ethnic group of victim	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,920	100.0	3,388	100.0	3,127	100.0	2,766	100.0	2,618	100.0
White (not Hispanic)	1,139	39.0	1,283	37.9	1,143	36.6	999	36.1	968	37.0
Hispanic.....	871	29.8	990	29.2	951	30.4	851	30.8	819	31.3
Black.....	797	27.3	972	28.7	899	28.7	789	28.5	723	27.6
All other .....	113	3.9	143	4.2	134	4.3	127	4.6	108	4.1
Known race/ethnic group of victim	1984		1985		1986		1987		1988	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,707	100.0	2,769	100.0	3,019	100.0	2,919	100.0	2,933	100.0
White (not Hispanic)	962	35.5	974	35.2	1,007	33.4	900	30.8	948	32.3
Hispanic.....	852	31.5	873	31.5	908	30.1	892	30.6	917	31.3
Black.....	782	28.9	773	27.9	951	31.5	998	34.2	917	31.3
All other .....	111	4.1	149	5.4	153	5.1	129	4.4	151	5.1

Notes: This table excludes 21 victims in 1979, 17 victims in 1980, 13 victims in 1981, 12 victims in 1982, 22 victims in 1983, 17 victims in 1984, 12 victims in 1985, 11 victims in 1986, 10 victims in 1987, and 14 victims in 1988 whose race/ethnic group was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 12 through 21.

TABLE 10  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Known Age of Victim

Known age of victim	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,874	100.0	3,328	100.0	3,079	100.0	2,738	100.0	2,611	100.0
Under 20.....	460	16.0	535	16.1	479	15.6	388	14.2	372	14.2
20-29.....	1,074	37.4	1,229	36.9	1,102	35.8	986	36.0	931	35.7
30-39.....	574	20.0	711	21.4	673	21.9	596	21.8	573	21.9
40 and over.....	766	26.7	853	25.6	825	26.8	768	28.0	735	28.2

Known age of victim	1984		1985		1986		1987		1988	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,696	100.0	2,751	100.0	2,979	100.0	2,879	100.0	2,906	100.0
Under 20.....	387	14.4	377	13.7	444	14.9	441	15.3	480	16.5
20-29.....	937	34.8	1,035	37.6	1,094	36.7	1,082	37.6	1,067	36.7
30-39.....	651	24.1	636	23.1	704	23.6	660	22.9	662	22.8
40 and over.....	721	26.7	703	25.6	737	24.7	696	24.2	697	24.0

Notes: This table excludes 67 victims in 1979, 77 victims in 1980, 61 victims in 1981, 40 victims in 1982, 29 victims in 1983, 28 victims in 1984, 30 victims in 1985, 51 victims in 1986, 50 victims in 1987, and 41 victims in 1988 whose age was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 12 through 21.



TABLE 11  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Age of Victim by Race/Ethnic Group

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Known age of victim			
		Under 20	20-29	30-39	40 and over
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number .....	2,906	480	1,067	662	697
Percent .....	100.0	16.5	36.7	22.8	24.0
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>					
Number .....	939	120	259	204	356
Percent .....	100.0	12.8	27.6	21.7	37.9
<b>Hispanic</b>					
Number .....	899	150	412	191	146
Percent .....	100.0	16.7	45.8	21.2	16.2
<b>Black</b>					
Number .....	914	177	364	223	150
Percent .....	100.0	19.4	39.8	24.4	16.4
<b>All other</b>					
Number .....	150	32	32	42	44
Percent .....	100.0	21.3	21.3	28.0	29.3
<b>Unknown</b>					
Number .....	4	1	0	2	1
Percent .....	100.0	-	-	-	-

Notes: This table excludes 41 victims whose age was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 21.

TABLE 12  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Race/ethnic group of victim											
	Total		White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,941	100.0	1,139	100.0	871	100.0	797	100.0	113	100.0	21	100.0
0-14.....	132	4.5	69	6.1	24	2.8	34	4.3	5	4.4	0	-
15-19.....	328	11.2	100	8.8	139	16.0	75	9.4	13	11.5	1	-
20-24.....	566	19.2	168	14.7	235	27.0	144	18.1	17	15.0	2	-
25-29.....	508	17.3	174	15.3	154	17.7	162	20.3	17	15.0	1	-
30-34.....	346	11.8	118	10.4	100	11.5	115	14.4	12	10.6	1	-
35-39.....	228	7.8	91	8.0	60	6.9	62	7.8	14	12.4	1	-
40-44.....	189	6.4	79	6.9	47	5.4	58	7.3	5	4.4	0	-
45-49.....	172	5.8	80	7.0	46	5.3	40	5.0	6	5.3	0	-
50-54.....	114	3.9	59	5.2	19	2.2	31	3.9	5	4.4	0	-
55-99.....	291	9.9	170	14.9	37	4.2	68	8.5	16	14.2	0	-
Unknown .....	67	2.3	31	2.7	10	1.1	8	1.0	3	2.7	15	-
Male.....	2,341	100.0	808	100.0	793	100.0	642	100.0	80	100.0	18	100.0
0-14.....	72	3.1	37	4.6	16	2.0	16	2.5	3	3.8	0	-
15-19.....	265	11.3	69	8.5	127	16.0	63	9.8	6	7.5	0	-
20-24.....	470	20.1	115	14.2	223	28.1	118	18.4	12	15.0	2	-
25-29.....	408	17.4	123	15.2	141	17.8	131	20.4	12	15.0	1	-
30-34.....	287	12.3	86	10.6	95	12.0	95	14.8	10	12.5	1	-
35-39.....	181	7.7	67	8.3	55	6.9	48	7.5	10	12.5	1	-
40-44.....	150	6.4	56	6.9	39	4.9	51	7.9	4	5.0	0	-
45-49.....	134	5.7	56	6.9	40	5.0	33	5.1	5	6.2	0	-
50-54.....	98	4.2	51	6.3	18	2.3	24	3.7	5	6.2	0	-
55-99.....	225	9.6	126	15.6	31	3.9	58	9.0	10	12.5	0	-
Unknown .....	51	2.2	22	2.7	8	1.0	5	.8	3	3.8	13	-
Female.....	600	100.0	331	100.0	78	100.0	155	100.0	33	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	60	10.0	32	9.7	8	10.3	18	11.6	2	-	0	-
15-19.....	63	10.5	31	9.4	12	15.4	12	7.7	7	-	1	-
20-24.....	96	16.0	53	16.0	12	15.4	26	16.8	5	-	0	-
25-29.....	100	16.7	51	15.4	13	16.7	31	20.0	5	-	0	-
30-34.....	59	9.8	32	9.7	5	6.4	20	12.9	2	-	0	-
35-39.....	47	7.8	24	7.3	5	6.4	14	9.0	4	-	0	-
40-44.....	39	6.5	23	6.9	8	10.3	7	4.5	1	-	0	-
45-49.....	38	6.3	24	7.3	6	7.7	7	4.5	1	-	0	-
50-54.....	16	2.7	8	2.4	1	1.3	7	4.5	0	-	0	-
55-99.....	66	11.0	44	13.3	6	7.7	10	6.5	6	-	0	-
Unknown .....	16	2.7	9	2.7	2	2.6	3	1.9	0	-	2	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 13  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1980  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Race/ethnic group of victim											
	Total		White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	3,405	100.0	1,283	100.0	990	100.0	972	100.0	143	100.0	17	100.0
0-14.....	110	3.2	57	4.4	18	1.8	33	3.4	2	1.4	0	-
15-19.....	425	12.5	115	9.0	187	18.9	109	11.2	13	9.1	1	-
20-24.....	650	19.1	191	14.9	232	23.4	206	21.2	21	14.7	0	-
25-29.....	579	17.0	173	13.5	195	19.7	177	18.2	32	22.4	2	-
30-34.....	437	12.8	162	12.6	115	11.6	145	14.9	14	9.8	1	-
35-39.....	274	8.0	99	7.7	77	7.8	83	8.5	15	10.5	0	-
40-44.....	201	5.9	85	6.6	41	4.1	64	6.6	11	7.7	0	-
45-49.....	151	4.4	67	5.2	41	4.1	35	3.6	8	5.6	0	-
50-54.....	144	4.2	76	5.9	21	2.1	40	4.1	7	4.9	0	-
55-99.....	357	10.5	232	18.1	36	3.6	72	7.4	17	11.9	0	-
Unknown.....	77	2.3	26	2.0	27	2.7	8	.8	3	2.1	13	-
Male.....	2,709	100.0	898	100.0	898	100.0	796	100.0	103	100.0	14	100.0
0-14.....	59	2.2	30	3.3	9	1.0	19	2.4	1	1.0	0	-
15-19.....	350	12.9	70	7.8	175	19.5	93	11.7	11	10.7	1	-
20-24.....	521	19.2	128	14.3	213	23.7	168	21.1	12	11.7	0	-
25-29.....	479	17.7	127	14.1	181	20.2	144	18.1	26	25.2	1	-
30-34.....	357	13.2	122	13.6	105	11.7	119	14.9	10	9.7	1	-
35-39.....	223	8.2	77	8.6	67	7.5	71	8.9	8	7.8	0	-
40-44.....	160	5.9	63	7.0	36	4.0	55	6.9	6	5.8	0	-
45-49.....	123	4.5	51	5.7	35	3.9	31	3.9	6	5.8	0	-
50-54.....	122	4.5	60	6.7	21	2.3	34	4.3	7	6.8	0	-
55-99.....	252	9.3	152	16.9	31	3.5	56	7.0	13	12.6	0	-
Unknown.....	63	2.3	18	2.0	25	2.8	6	.8	3	2.9	11	-
Female.....	696	100.0	385	100.0	92	100.0	176	100.0	40	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	51	7.3	27	7.0	9	9.8	14	8.0	1	-	0	-
15-19.....	75	10.8	45	11.7	12	13.0	16	9.1	2	-	0	-
20-24.....	129	18.5	63	16.4	19	20.7	38	21.6	9	-	0	-
25-29.....	100	14.4	46	11.9	14	15.2	33	18.8	6	-	1	-
30-34.....	80	11.5	40	10.4	10	10.9	26	14.8	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	51	7.3	22	5.7	10	10.9	12	6.8	7	-	0	-
40-44.....	41	5.9	22	5.7	5	5.4	9	5.1	5	-	0	-
45-49.....	28	4.0	16	4.2	6	6.5	4	2.3	2	-	0	-
50-54.....	22	3.2	16	4.2	0	.0	6	3.4	0	-	0	-
55-99.....	105	15.1	80	20.8	5	5.4	16	9.1	4	-	0	-
Unknown.....	14	2.0	8	2.1	2	2.2	2	1.1	0	-	2	-

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TABLE 14  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1981  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	3,140	100.0	1,143	100.0	951	100.0	899	100.0	134	100.0	13	100.0
0-14.....	132	4.2	58	5.1	35	3.7	35	3.9	4	3.0	0	-
15-19.....	347	11.0	75	6.6	161	16.9	99	11.0	12	9.0	0	-
20-24.....	586	18.7	162	14.2	228	24.0	173	19.2	23	17.2	0	-
25-29.....	516	16.4	147	12.9	176	18.5	177	19.7	15	11.2	1	-
30-34.....	412	13.1	161	14.1	125	13.1	106	11.8	20	14.9	0	-
35-39.....	261	8.3	93	8.1	67	7.0	84	9.3	16	11.9	1	-
40-44.....	182	5.8	63	5.5	60	6.3	49	5.4	10	7.5	0	-
45-49.....	145	4.6	62	5.4	28	2.9	49	5.4	6	4.5	0	-
50-54.....	131	4.2	57	5.0	25	2.6	37	4.1	12	9.0	0	-
55-99.....	367	11.7	240	21.0	30	3.2	82	9.1	14	10.4	1	-
Unknown .....	61	1.9	25	2.2	16	1.7	8	.9	2	1.5	10	-
Male.....	2,472	100.0	788	100.0	848	100.0	726	100.0	99	100.0	11	100.0
0-14.....	80	3.2	29	3.7	23	2.7	25	3.4	3	3.0	0	-
15-19.....	292	11.8	48	6.1	148	17.5	85	11.7	11	11.1	0	-
20-24.....	466	18.9	112	14.2	207	24.4	134	18.5	13	13.1	0	-
25-29.....	424	17.2	110	14.0	156	18.4	146	20.1	11	11.1	1	-
30-34.....	344	13.9	127	16.1	117	13.8	84	11.6	16	16.2	0	-
35-39.....	214	8.7	67	8.5	58	6.8	75	10.3	13	13.1	1	-
40-44.....	146	5.9	47	6.0	51	6.0	41	5.6	7	7.1	0	-
45-49.....	115	4.7	42	5.3	26	3.1	41	5.6	6	6.1	0	-
50-54.....	101	4.1	39	4.9	23	2.7	32	4.4	7	7.1	0	-
55-99.....	244	9.9	151	19.2	24	2.8	58	8.0	10	10.1	1	-
Unknown .....	46	1.9	16	2.0	15	1.8	5	.7	2	2.0	8	-
Female.....	668	100.0	355	100.0	103	100.0	173	100.0	35	100.0	2	100.0
0-14.....	52	7.8	29	8.2	12	11.6	10	5.8	1	-	0	-
15-19.....	55	8.2	27	7.6	13	12.6	14	8.1	1	-	0	-
20-24.....	120	18.0	50	14.1	21	20.4	39	22.5	10	-	0	-
25-29.....	92	13.8	37	10.4	20	19.4	31	17.9	4	-	0	-
30-34.....	68	10.2	34	9.6	8	7.8	22	12.7	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	47	7.0	26	7.3	9	8.7	9	5.2	3	-	0	-
40-44.....	36	5.4	16	4.5	9	8.7	8	4.6	3	-	0	-
45-49.....	30	4.5	20	5.6	2	1.9	8	4.6	0	-	0	-
50-54.....	30	4.5	18	5.1	2	1.9	5	2.9	5	-	0	-
55-99.....	123	18.4	89	25.1	6	5.8	24	13.9	4	-	0	-
Unknown .....	15	2.2	9	2.5	1	1.0	3	1.7	0	-	2	-

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TABLE 15  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1982  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Race/ethnic group of victim											
	Total		White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,778	100.0	999	100.0	851	100.0	789	100.0	127	100.0	12	100.0
0-14.....	143	5.1	56	5.6	43	5.1	37	4.7	6	4.7	1	-
15-19.....	245	8.8	64	6.4	94	11.0	79	10.0	8	6.3	0	-
20-24.....	518	18.6	156	15.6	212	24.9	130	16.5	20	15.7	0	-
25-29.....	468	16.8	126	12.6	178	20.9	146	18.5	18	14.2	0	-
30-34.....	335	12.1	105	10.5	106	12.5	103	13.1	21	16.5	0	-
35-39.....	261	9.4	100	10.0	70	8.2	79	10.0	12	9.4	0	-
40-44.....	189	6.8	79	7.9	50	5.9	51	6.5	9	7.1	0	-
45-49.....	119	4.3	41	4.1	32	3.8	37	4.7	9	7.1	0	-
50-54.....	142	5.1	64	6.4	21	2.5	48	6.1	9	7.1	0	-
55-99.....	318	11.4	198	19.8	35	4.1	71	9.0	14	11.0	0	-
Unknown .....	40	1.4	10	1.0	10	1.2	8	1.0	1	.8	11	-
Male.....	2,133	100.0	649	100.0	747	100.0	630	100.0	98	100.0	9	100.0
0-14.....	72	3.4	23	3.5	24	3.2	20	3.2	4	4.1	1	-
15-19.....	197	9.2	43	6.6	85	11.4	62	9.8	7	7.1	0	-
20-24.....	414	19.4	104	16.0	193	25.8	104	16.5	13	13.3	0	-
25-29.....	374	17.5	75	11.6	167	22.4	118	18.7	14	14.3	0	-
30-34.....	272	12.8	78	12.0	92	12.3	84	13.3	18	18.4	0	-
35-39.....	201	9.4	66	10.2	60	8.0	65	10.3	10	10.2	0	-
40-44.....	153	7.2	54	8.3	44	5.9	46	7.3	9	9.2	0	-
45-49.....	101	4.7	33	5.1	29	3.9	32	5.1	7	7.1	0	-
50-54.....	107	5.0	47	7.2	16	2.1	38	6.0	6	6.1	0	-
55-99.....	212	9.9	119	18.3	28	3.7	56	8.9	9	9.2	0	-
Unknown .....	30	1.4	7	1.1	9	1.2	5	.8	1	1.0	8	-
Female.....	645	100.0	350	100.0	104	100.0	159	100.0	29	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	71	11.0	33	9.4	19	18.3	17	10.7	2	-	0	-
15-19.....	48	7.4	21	6.0	9	8.7	17	10.7	1	-	0	-
20-24.....	104	16.1	52	14.9	19	18.3	26	16.4	7	-	0	-
25-29.....	94	14.6	51	14.6	11	10.6	28	17.6	4	-	0	-
30-34.....	63	9.8	27	7.7	14	13.5	19	11.9	3	-	0	-
35-39.....	60	9.3	34	9.7	10	9.6	14	8.8	2	-	0	-
40-44.....	36	5.6	25	7.1	6	5.8	5	3.1	0	-	0	-
45-49.....	18	2.8	8	2.3	3	2.9	5	3.1	2	-	0	-
50-54.....	35	5.4	17	4.9	5	4.8	10	6.3	3	-	0	-
55-99.....	106	16.4	79	22.6	7	6.7	15	9.4	5	-	0	-
Unknown .....	10	1.6	3	.9	1	1.0	3	1.9	0	-	3	-

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TABLE 16  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1983  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,640	100.0	968	100.0	819	100.0	723	100.0	108	100.0	22	100.0
0-14.....	117	4.4	43	4.4	33	4.0	38	5.3	2	1.9	1	-
15-19.....	255	9.7	58	6.0	103	12.6	85	11.8	8	7.4	1	-
20-24.....	504	19.1	124	12.8	208	25.4	152	21.0	18	16.7	2	-
25-29.....	427	16.2	127	13.1	159	19.4	119	16.5	20	18.5	2	-
30-34.....	342	13.0	103	10.6	111	13.6	109	15.1	18	16.7	1	-
35-39.....	231	8.8	95	9.8	55	6.7	68	9.4	12	11.1	1	-
40-44.....	175	6.6	80	8.3	47	5.7	41	5.7	7	6.5	0	-
45-49.....	129	4.9	55	5.7	40	4.9	29	4.0	5	4.6	0	-
50-54.....	110	4.2	51	5.3	25	3.1	25	3.5	9	8.3	0	-
55-99.....	321	12.2	228	23.6	30	3.7	54	7.5	9	8.3	0	-
Unknown .....	29	1.1	4	.4	8	1.0	3	.4	0	.0	14	-
Male.....	2,053	100.0	639	100.0	726	100.0	594	100.0	75	100.0	19	100.0
0-14.....	64	3.1	19	3.0	18	2.5	26	4.4	0	.0	1	-
15-19.....	206	10.0	34	5.3	96	13.2	72	12.1	4	5.3	0	-
20-24.....	417	20.3	87	13.6	192	26.4	123	20.7	13	17.3	2	-
25-29.....	348	17.0	96	15.0	139	19.1	96	16.2	17	22.7	0	-
30-34.....	278	13.5	73	11.4	97	13.4	93	15.7	14	18.7	1	-
35-39.....	180	8.8	70	11.0	49	6.7	55	9.3	5	6.7	1	-
40-44.....	143	7.0	60	9.4	42	5.8	36	6.1	5	6.7	0	-
45-49.....	93	4.5	29	4.5	37	5.1	24	4.0	3	4.0	0	-
50-54.....	85	4.1	35	5.5	24	3.3	19	3.2	7	9.3	0	-
55-99.....	213	10.4	133	20.8	24	3.3	49	8.2	7	9.3	0	-
Unknown .....	26	1.3	3	.5	8	1.1	1	.2	0	.0	14	-
Female.....	587	100.0	329	100.0	93	100.0	129	100.0	33	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	53	9.0	24	7.3	15	16.1	12	9.3	2	-	0	-
15-19.....	49	8.3	24	7.3	7	7.5	13	10.1	4	-	1	-
20-24.....	87	14.8	37	11.2	16	17.2	29	22.5	5	-	0	-
25-29.....	79	13.5	31	9.4	20	21.5	23	17.8	3	-	2	-
30-34.....	64	10.9	30	9.1	14	15.1	16	12.4	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	51	8.7	25	7.6	6	6.5	13	10.1	7	-	0	-
40-44.....	32	5.5	20	6.1	5	5.4	5	3.9	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	36	6.1	26	7.9	3	3.2	5	3.9	2	-	0	-
50-54.....	25	4.3	16	4.9	1	1.1	6	4.7	2	-	0	-
55-99.....	108	18.4	95	28.9	6	6.5	5	3.9	2	-	0	-
Unknown .....	3	.5	1	.3	0	.0	2	1.6	0	-	0	-

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TABLE 17  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1984  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Race/ethnic group of victim											
	Total		White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,724	100.0	962	100.0	852	100.0	782	100.0	111	100.0	17	100.0
0-14.....	121	4.4	51	5.3	28	3.3	34	4.3	7	6.3	1	-
15-19.....	266	9.8	66	6.9	109	12.8	83	10.6	8	7.2	0	-
20-24.....	455	16.7	131	13.6	176	20.7	140	17.9	7	6.3	1	-
25-29.....	482	17.7	141	14.7	181	21.2	146	18.7	13	11.7	1	-
30-34.....	385	14.1	112	11.6	136	16.0	121	15.5	15	13.5	1	-
35-39.....	266	9.8	95	9.9	81	9.5	71	9.1	19	17.1	0	-
40-44.....	184	6.8	70	7.3	46	5.4	54	6.9	14	12.6	0	-
45-49.....	125	4.6	54	5.6	31	3.6	34	4.3	6	5.4	0	-
50-54.....	108	4.0	51	5.3	18	2.1	32	4.1	7	6.3	0	-
55-99.....	304	11.2	188	19.5	38	4.5	63	8.1	15	13.5	0	-
Unknown.....	28	1.0	3	.3	8	.9	4	.5	0	.0	13	-
Male.....	2,073	100.0	592	100.0	755	100.0	632	100.0	83	100.0	11	100.0
0-14.....	64	3.1	20	3.4	19	2.5	21	3.3	3	3.6	1	-
15-19.....	207	10.0	36	6.1	96	12.7	68	10.8	7	8.4	0	-
20-24.....	356	17.2	72	12.2	163	21.6	117	18.5	4	4.8	0	-
25-29.....	390	18.8	95	16.0	160	21.2	121	19.1	13	15.7	1	-
30-34.....	307	14.8	73	12.3	123	16.3	99	15.7	11	13.3	1	-
35-39.....	204	9.8	65	11.0	70	9.3	56	8.9	13	15.7	0	-
40-44.....	148	7.1	52	8.8	41	5.4	43	6.8	12	14.5	0	-
45-49.....	93	4.5	35	5.9	27	3.6	27	4.3	4	4.8	0	-
50-54.....	90	4.3	38	6.4	15	2.0	30	4.7	7	8.4	0	-
55-99.....	194	9.4	105	17.7	33	4.4	47	7.4	9	10.8	0	-
Unknown.....	20	1.0	1	.2	8	1.1	3	.5	0	.0	8	-
Female.....	651	100.0	370	100.0	97	100.0	150	100.0	28	100.0	6	100.0
0-14.....	57	8.8	31	8.4	9	9.3	13	8.7	4	-	0	-
15-19.....	59	9.1	30	8.1	13	13.4	15	10.0	1	-	0	-
20-24.....	99	15.2	59	15.9	13	13.4	23	15.3	3	-	1	-
25-29.....	92	14.1	46	12.4	21	21.6	25	16.7	0	-	0	-
30-34.....	78	12.0	39	10.5	13	13.4	22	14.7	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	62	9.5	30	8.1	11	11.3	15	10.0	6	-	0	-
40-44.....	36	5.5	18	4.9	5	5.2	11	7.3	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	32	4.9	19	5.1	4	4.1	7	4.7	2	-	0	-
50-54.....	18	2.8	13	3.5	3	3.1	2	1.3	0	-	0	-
55-99.....	110	16.9	83	22.4	5	5.2	16	10.7	6	-	0	-
Unknown.....	8	1.2	2	.5	0	.0	1	.7	0	-	5	-

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TABLE 18  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1985  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,781	100.0	974	100.0	873	100.0	773	100.0	149	100.0	12	100.0
0-14.....	115	4.1	44	4.5	26	3.0	28	3.6	17	11.4	0	-
15-19.....	262	9.4	49	5.0	104	11.9	94	12.2	15	10.1	0	-
20-24.....	518	18.6	126	12.9	203	23.3	166	21.5	22	14.8	1	-
25-29.....	517	18.6	147	15.1	208	23.8	137	17.7	25	16.8	0	-
30-34.....	368	13.2	116	11.9	122	14.0	110	14.2	20	13.4	0	-
35-39.....	268	9.6	110	11.3	68	7.8	75	9.7	15	10.1	0	-
40-44.....	181	6.5	73	7.5	54	6.2	46	6.0	7	4.7	1	-
45-49.....	117	4.2	53	5.4	30	3.4	25	3.2	9	6.0	0	-
50-54.....	87	3.1	40	4.1	19	2.2	21	2.7	7	4.7	0	-
55-99.....	318	11.4	209	21.5	30	3.4	67	8.7	12	8.1	0	-
Unknown.....	30	1.1	7	.7	9	1.0	4	.5	0	.0	10	-
Male.....	2,121	100.0	631	100.0	756	100.0	617	100.0	108	100.0	9	100.0
0-14.....	69	3.3	24	3.8	16	2.1	17	2.8	12	11.1	0	-
15-19.....	213	10.0	28	4.4	91	12.0	84	13.6	10	9.3	0	-
20-24.....	426	20.1	90	14.3	185	24.5	131	21.2	19	17.6	1	-
25-29.....	404	19.0	100	15.8	179	23.7	106	17.2	19	17.6	0	-
30-34.....	279	13.2	77	12.2	106	14.0	86	13.9	10	9.3	0	-
35-39.....	208	9.8	79	12.5	57	7.5	62	10.0	10	9.3	0	-
40-44.....	139	6.6	50	7.9	44	5.8	37	6.0	7	6.5	1	-
45-49.....	99	4.7	37	5.9	30	4.0	25	4.1	7	6.5	0	-
50-54.....	67	3.2	25	4.0	17	2.2	19	3.1	6	5.6	0	-
55-99.....	194	9.1	116	18.4	23	3.0	47	7.6	8	7.4	0	-
Unknown.....	23	1.1	5	.8	8	1.1	3	.5	0	.0	7	-
Female.....	660	100.0	343	100.0	117	100.0	156	100.0	41	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	46	7.0	20	5.8	10	8.5	11	7.1	5	-	0	-
15-19.....	49	7.4	21	6.1	13	11.1	10	6.4	5	-	0	-
20-24.....	92	13.9	36	10.5	18	15.4	35	22.4	3	-	0	-
25-29.....	113	17.1	47	13.7	29	24.8	31	19.9	6	-	0	-
30-34.....	89	13.5	39	11.4	16	13.7	24	15.4	10	-	0	-
35-39.....	60	9.1	31	9.0	11	9.4	13	8.3	5	-	0	-
40-44.....	42	6.4	23	6.7	10	8.5	9	5.8	0	-	0	-
45-49.....	18	2.7	16	4.7	0	.0	0	.0	2	-	0	-
50-54.....	20	3.0	15	4.4	2	1.7	2	1.3	1	-	0	-
55-99.....	124	18.8	93	27.1	7	6.0	20	12.8	4	-	0	-
Unknown.....	7	1.1	2	.6	1	.9	1	.6	0	-	3	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.



TABLE 19  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1986  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	3,030	100.0	1,007	100.0	908	100.0	951	100.0	153	100.0	11	100.0
0-14.....	135	4.5	57	5.7	32	3.5	37	3.9	9	5.9	0	-
15-19.....	309	10.2	58	5.8	117	12.9	124	13.0	9	5.9	1	-
20-24.....	579	19.1	127	12.6	210	23.1	211	22.2	30	19.6	1	-
25-29.....	515	17.0	128	12.7	167	18.4	195	20.5	25	16.3	0	-
30-34.....	417	13.8	145	14.4	131	14.4	124	13.0	17	11.1	0	-
35-39.....	287	9.5	103	10.2	81	8.9	88	9.3	15	9.8	0	-
40-44.....	205	6.8	77	7.6	66	7.3	50	5.3	12	7.8	0	-
45-49.....	124	4.1	58	5.8	27	3.0	27	2.8	12	7.8	0	-
50-54.....	105	3.5	48	4.8	19	2.1	26	2.7	12	7.8	0	-
55-99.....	303	10.0	187	18.6	40	4.4	65	6.8	11	7.2	0	-
Unknown.....	51	1.7	19	1.9	18	2.0	4	.4	1	.7	9	-
Male.....	2,354	100.0	665	100.0	812	100.0	767	100.0	102	100.0	8	100.0
0-14.....	76	3.2	26	3.9	21	2.6	25	3.3	4	3.9	0	-
15-19.....	242	10.3	28	4.2	109	13.4	98	12.8	6	5.9	1	-
20-24.....	471	20.0	76	11.4	190	23.4	180	23.5	24	23.5	1	-
25-29.....	402	17.1	88	13.2	147	18.1	154	20.1	13	12.7	0	-
30-34.....	341	14.5	105	15.8	122	15.0	100	13.0*	14	13.7	0	-
35-39.....	223	9.5	73	11.0	72	8.9	66	8.6	12	11.8	0	-
40-44.....	170	7.2	58	8.7	61	7.5	46	6.0	5	4.9	0	-
45-49.....	93	4.0	44	6.6	21	2.6	20	2.6	8	7.8	0	-
50-54.....	83	3.5	37	5.6	17	2.1	22	2.9	7	6.9	0	-
55-99.....	214	9.1	117	17.6	35	4.3	54	7.0	8	7.8	0	-
Unknown.....	39	1.7	13	2.0	17	2.1	2	.3	1	1.0	6	-
Female.....	676	100.0	342	100.0	96	100.0	184	100.0	51	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	59	8.7	31	9.1	11	11.5	12	6.5	5	9.8	0	-
15-19.....	67	9.9	30	8.8	8	8.3	26	14.1	3	5.9	0	-
20-24.....	108	16.0	51	14.9	20	20.8	31	16.8	6	11.8	0	-
25-29.....	113	16.7	40	11.7	20	20.8	41	22.3	12	23.5	0	-
30-34.....	76	11.2	40	11.7	9	9.4	24	13.0	3	5.9	0	-
35-39.....	64	9.5	30	8.8	9	9.4	22	12.0	3	5.9	0	-
40-44.....	35	5.2	19	5.6	5	5.2	4	2.2	7	13.7	0	-
45-49.....	31	4.6	14	4.1	6	6.3	7	3.8	4	7.8	0	-
50-54.....	22	3.3	11	3.2	2	2.1	4	2.2	5	9.8	0	-
55-99.....	89	13.2	70	20.5	5	5.2	11	6.0	3	5.9	0	-
Unknown.....	12	1.8	6	1.8	1	1.0	2	1.1	0	.0	3	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 20  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1987  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,929	100.0	900	100.0	892	100.0	998	100.0	129	100.0	10	100.0
0-14.....	136	4.6	54	6.0	31	3.5	41	4.1	10	7.8	0	-
15-19.....	305	10.4	34	3.8	116	13.0	144	14.4	11	8.5	0	-
20-24.....	558	19.1	99	11.0	220	24.7	226	22.6	13	10.1	0	-
25-29.....	524	17.9	132	14.7	186	20.9	190	19.0	15	11.6	1	-
30-34.....	392	13.4	123	13.7	122	13.7	128	12.8	18	14.0	1	-
35-39.....	268	9.1	109	12.1	71	8.0	72	7.2	16	12.4	0	-
40-44.....	178	6.1	67	7.4	49	5.5	53	5.3	9	7.0	0	-
45-49.....	115	3.9	52	5.8	30	3.4	28	2.8	5	3.9	0	-
50-54.....	100	3.4	41	4.6	25	2.8	28	2.8	5	3.9	1	-
55-99.....	303	10.3	176	19.6	30	3.4	81	8.1	16	12.4	0	-
Unknown .....	50	1.7	13	1.4	12	1.3	7	.7	11	8.5	7	-
Male.....	2,223	100.0	569	100.0	773	100.0	785	100.0	91	100.0	5	100.0
0-14.....	82	3.7	31	5.4	22	2.8	24	3.1	5	5.5	0	-
15-19.....	259	11.7	19	3.3	106	13.7	125	15.9	9	9.9	0	-
20-24.....	463	20.8	64	11.2	204	26.4	186	23.7	9	9.9	0	-
25-29.....	400	18.0	91	16.0	158	20.4	139	17.7	11	12.1	1	-
30-34.....	294	13.2	78	13.7	106	13.7	101	12.9	9	9.9	0	-
35-39.....	211	9.5	81	14.2	57	7.4	62	7.9	11	12.1	0	-
40-44.....	138	6.2	45	7.9	41	5.3	44	5.6	8	8.8	0	-
45-49.....	94	4.2	44	7.7	25	3.2	21	2.7	4	4.4	0	-
50-54.....	74	3.3	28	4.9	20	2.6	21	2.7	4	4.4	1	-
55-99.....	176	7.9	82	14.4	24	3.1	58	7.4	12	13.2	0	-
Unknown .....	32	1.4	6	1.1	10	1.3	4	.5	9	9.9	3	-
Female.....	706	100.0	331	100.0	119	100.0	213	100.0	38	100.0	5	100.0
0-14.....	54	7.6	23	6.9	9	7.6	17	8.0	5	-	0	-
15-19.....	46	6.5	15	4.5	10	8.4	19	8.9	2	-	0	-
20-24.....	95	13.5	35	10.6	16	13.4	40	18.8	4	-	0	-
25-29.....	124	17.6	41	12.4	28	23.5	51	23.9	4	-	0	-
30-34.....	98	13.9	45	13.6	16	13.4	27	12.7	9	-	1	-
35-39.....	57	8.1	28	8.5	14	11.8	10	4.7	5	-	0	-
40-44.....	40	5.7	22	6.6	8	6.7	9	4.2	1	-	0	-
45-49.....	21	3.0	8	2.4	5	4.2	7	3.3	1	-	0	-
50-54.....	26	3.7	13	3.9	5	4.2	7	3.3	1	-	0	-
55-99.....	127	18.0	94	28.4	6	5.0	23	10.8	4	-	0	-
Unknown .....	18	2.5	7	2.1	2	1.7	3	1.4	2	-	4	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 21  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Sex and Age

Sex and age of victim	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0
0-14.....	144	4.9	74	7.8	24	2.6	38	4.1	8	5.3	0	-
15-19.....	336	11.4	46	4.9	126	13.7	139	15.2	24	15.9	1	-
20-24.....	525	17.8	108	11.4	223	24.3	184	20.1	10	6.6	0	-
25-29.....	542	18.4	151	15.9	189	20.6	180	19.6	22	14.6	0	-
30-34.....	396	13.4	108	11.4	132	14.4	125	13.6	29	19.2	2	-
35-39.....	266	9.0	96	10.1	59	6.4	98	10.7	13	8.6	0	-
40-44.....	199	6.8	86	9.1	58	6.3	39	4.3	15	9.9	1	-
45-49.....	110	3.7	53	5.6	24	2.6	28	3.1	5	3.3	0	-
50-54.....	85	2.9	23	2.4	28	3.1	24	2.6	10	6.6	0	-
55-99.....	303	10.3	194	20.5	36	3.9	59	6.4	14	9.3	0	-
Unknown.....	41	1.4	9	.9	18	2.0	3	.3	1	.7	10	-
Male.....	2,258	100.0	618	100.0	801	100.0	730	100.0	98	100.0	11	100.0
0-14.....	80	3.5	39	6.3	14	1.7	24	3.3	3	3.1	0	-
15-19.....	287	12.7	31	5.0	115	14.4	122	16.7	19	19.4	0	-
20-24.....	420	18.6	71	11.5	196	24.5	146	20.0	7	7.1	0	-
25-29.....	422	18.7	99	16.0	166	20.7	144	19.7	13	13.3	0	-
30-34.....	317	14.0	78	12.6	115	14.4	102	14.0	20	20.4	2	-
35-39.....	211	9.3	67	10.8	55	6.9	81	11.1	8	8.2	0	-
40-44.....	153	6.8	62	10.0	53	6.6	27	3.7	10	10.2	1	-
45-49.....	81	3.6	37	6.0	17	2.1	24	3.3	3	3.1	0	-
50-54.....	70	3.1	19	3.1	23	2.9	20	2.7	8	8.2	0	-
55-99.....	184	8.1	110	17.8	30	3.7	38	5.2	6	6.1	0	-
Unknown.....	33	1.5	5	.8	17	2.1	2	.3	1	1.0	8	-
Female.....	689	100.0	330	100.0	116	100.0	187	100.0	53	100.0	3	100.0
0-14.....	64	9.3	35	10.6	10	8.6	14	7.5	5	9.4	0	-
15-19.....	49	7.1	15	4.5	11	9.5	17	9.1	5	9.4	1	-
20-24.....	105	15.2	37	11.2	27	23.3	38	20.3	3	5.7	0	-
25-29.....	120	17.4	52	15.8	23	19.8	36	19.3	9	17.0	0	-
30-34.....	79	11.5	30	9.1	17	14.7	23	12.3	9	17.0	0	-
35-39.....	55	8.0	29	8.8	4	3.4	17	9.1	5	9.4	0	-
40-44.....	46	6.7	24	7.3	5	4.3	12	6.4	5	9.4	0	-
45-49.....	29	4.2	16	4.8	7	6.0	4	2.1	2	3.8	0	-
50-54.....	15	2.2	4	1.2	5	4.3	4	2.1	2	3.8	0	-
55-99.....	119	17.3	84	25.5	6	5.2	21	11.2	8	15.1	0	-
Unknown.....	8	1.2	4	1.2	1	.9	1	.5	0	.0	2	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 22  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Victim by Rate per 100,000 Population

	Total	Sex		Race/ethnic group				Age			
		Male	Female	White (not Hispanic)	Hispanic	Black	Other	Under 20	20-29	30-39	40 and over
1988											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	60.6	22.4	7.7	9.3	29.7	16.3	17.5	36.5
Population.....	28,314,500	13,959,049	14,355,452	17,158,587	6,342,448	2,180,217	2,633,249	8,409,407	4,615,264	4,955,038	10,334,793
Victims .....	2,947	2,258	689	957	920	918	152	492	1,074	669	712
Rate .....	10.4	16.2	4.8	5.6	14.5	42.1	5.8	5.9	23.3	13.5	6.9
1987											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	61.3	22.0	7.7	9.0	29.7	16.8	17.5	36.0
Population.....	27,662,900	13,637,810	14,025,090	16,957,358	6,085,838	2,130,043	2,489,661	8,215,881	4,647,367	4,841,008	9,958,644
Victims .....	2,929	2,223	706	906	894	999	130	456	1,090	669	714
Rate .....	10.6	16.3	5.0	5.3	14.7	46.9	5.2	5.6	23.5	13.8	7.2
1986											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	62.0	21.6	7.6	8.8	29.6	17.4	17.4	35.6
Population.....	26,980,800	13,301,534	13,679,266	16,728,096	5,827,853	2,050,541	2,374,310	7,986,317	4,694,659	4,694,659	9,605,165
Victims .....	3,030	2,354	676	1,014	910	952	154	459	1,103	713	755
Rate .....	11.2	17.7	4.9	6.1	15.6	46.4	6.5	5.7	23.5	15.2	7.9
1985											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	62.7	21.2	7.6	8.5	29.4	18.4	16.8	35.4
Population.....	26,365,100	12,997,994	13,367,106	16,530,918	5,589,401	2,003,748	2,241,034	7,751,339	4,851,178	4,429,337	9,333,245
Victims .....	2,781	2,121	660	981	876	774	150	386	1,040	641	714
Rate .....	10.5	16.3	4.9	5.9	15.7	38.6	6.7	5.0	21.4	14.5	7.7
1984											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	63.4	20.8	7.6	8.2	29.6	18.7	16.4	35.3
Population.....	25,622,000	12,631,646	12,990,354	16,244,348	5,329,376	1,947,272	2,101,004	7,584,112	4,791,314	4,202,008	9,044,566
Victims .....	2,724	2,073	651	973	856	783	112	395	942	656	731
Rate .....	10.6	16.4	5.0	6.0	16.1	40.2	5.3	5.2	19.7	15.6	8.1
1983											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	64.1	20.4	7.6	7.8	29.9	18.8	16.1	35.1
Population.....	25,174,000	12,410,782	12,763,218	16,136,534	5,135,496	1,913,224	1,963,572	7,527,026	4,732,712	4,053,014	8,836,074
Victims .....	2,640	2,053	587	982	823	725	110	381	936	578	745
Rate .....	10.5	16.5	4.6	6.1	16.0	37.9	5.6	5.1	19.8	14.3	8.4
1982											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	64.9	20.0	7.6	7.5	30.3	19.0	15.8	34.9
Population.....	24,724,000	12,188,932	12,535,068	16,045,876	4,944,800	1,879,024	1,854,300	7,491,372	4,697,560	3,906,392	8,628,676
Victims .....	2,778	2,133	645	1,007	853	790	128	400	994	602	782
Rate .....	11.2	17.5	5.1	6.3	17.3	42.0	6.9	5.3	21.2	15.4	9.1
1981											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	65.8	19.6	7.6	7.0	30.5	19.1	15.5	34.8
Population.....	24,196,000	11,928,628	12,267,372	15,920,968	4,742,416	1,838,896	1,693,720	7,379,780	4,621,436	3,750,380	8,420,208
Victims .....	3,140	2,472	668	1,152	953	900	135	498	1,114	682	846
Rate .....	13.0	20.7	5.4	7.2	20.1	48.9	8.0	6.7	24.1	18.2	10.0
1980											
Percent.....	100.0	49.3	50.7	66.6	19.2	7.5	6.7	30.8	19.3	15.0	34.8
Population.....	23,769,000	11,718,117	12,050,883	15,830,154	4,563,648	1,782,675	1,592,523	7,320,852	4,587,417	3,565,350	8,271,612
Victims .....	3,405	2,709	696	1,295	993	973	144	559	1,244	722	880
Rate .....	14.3	23.1	5.8	8.2	21.8	54.6	9.0	7.6	27.1	20.3	10.6
1979											
Percent.....	100.0	49.5	50.5	67.5	18.7	7.5	6.3	31.4	19.4	14.6	34.6
Population.....	23,255,000	11,511,225	11,743,775	15,697,125	4,348,685	1,744,125	1,465,065	7,302,070	4,511,470	3,395,230	8,046,230
Victims .....	2,941	2,341	600	1,153	875	799	114	481	1,087	584	789
Rate .....	12.6	20.3	5.1	7.3	20.1	45.8	7.8	6.6	24.1	17.2	9.8

Notes: Percent distributions of Californians by sex and age were obtained from Department of Finance population estimates. Percent distributions for race/ethnic group were obtained from Department of Finance population estimates for 1979-1985 and Department of Finance population projections for 1986-1988 provided to the Bureau of Criminal Statistics in May 1987. These percents were applied to the total population estimate used by the Bureau of Criminal Statistics to calculate the subpopulation figures shown for sex, race/ethnic group, and age. Subpopulations may not add to total because of rounding. These figures include victims whose race/ethnic group, or age was unknown. These "unknowns" were distributed proportionately among each of the race/ethnic group and age categories. Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Tables 12 through 21.

TABLE 23  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Relationship of Victim to Offender by Sex of Victim

Sex of victim	Total	Known relationship of victim to offender				
		Spouse	Friend, acquaintance	Parent, child	Other relative	Stranger
TOTAL						
Number.....	2,125	163	1,189	114	79	580
Percent.....	100.0	7.7	56.0	5.4	3.7	27.3
Male						
Number.....	1,586	36	946	57	49	498
Percent.....	100.0	2.3	59.6	3.6	3.1	31.4
Female						
Number.....	539	127	243	57	30	82
Percent.....	100.0	23.6	45.1	10.6	5.6	15.2

Notes: This table excludes 822 victims whose relationship to the offender was unknown. A study has shown that if these "unknowns" were known, the "stranger" category would increase in relation to the other categories. However, the "friend, acquaintance" category would still remain the most frequent relationship (*Homicide in California, 1983*). Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 25.

TABLE 24  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Relationship of Victim to Offender by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Known relationship of victim to offender			
		Friend, acquaintance	Spouse, parent, child	Other relative	Stranger
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number.....	2,125	1,189	277	79	580
Percent.....	100.0	56.0	13.0	3.7	27.3
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>					
Number.....	775	412	163	30	170
Percent.....	100.0	53.2	21.0	3.9	21.9
<b>Hispanic</b>					
Number.....	623	353	46	23	201
Percent.....	100.0	56.7	7.4	3.7	32.3
<b>Black</b>					
Number.....	609	373	51	17	168
Percent.....	100.0	61.2	8.4	2.8	27.6
<b>All other</b>					
Number.....	115	50	17	9	39
Percent.....	100.0	43.5	14.8	7.8	33.9
<b>Unknown</b>					
Number.....	3	1	0	0	2
Percent.....	100.0	-	-	-	-

Notes: This table excludes 822 victims whose relationship to the offender was unknown. A study has shown that if these "unknowns" were known, the "stranger" category would increase in relation to the other categories. However, the "friend, acquaintance" category would still remain the most frequent relationship (*Homicide in California, 1983*). Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 25.

TABLE 25  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0	2,258	100.0	689	100.0
Friend, acquaintance <sup>a</sup> .....	1,189	40.3	412	43.5	353	38.5	373	40.7	50	33.1	1	-	946	41.9	243	35.3
Spouse <sup>b</sup> .....	163	5.5	96	10.1	34	3.7	24	2.6	9	6.0	0	-	36	1.6	127	18.4
Parent, child <sup>c</sup> .....	114	3.9	67	7.1	12	1.3	27	2.9	8	5.3	0	-	57	2.5	57	8.3
Sibling.....	25	.8	10	1.1	4	.4	8	.9	3	2.0	0	-	16	.7	9	1.3
Other relative.....	54	1.8	20	2.1	19	2.1	9	1.0	6	4.0	0	-	33	1.5	21	3.0
Stranger.....	580	19.7	170	17.9	201	21.9	168	18.3	39	25.8	2	-	498	22.1	82	11.9
Unknown.....	822	27.9	173	18.2	294	32.1	308	33.6	36	23.8	11	-	672	29.8	150	21.8

<sup>a</sup>Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, etc.

<sup>b</sup>Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

<sup>c</sup>Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepson, and stepdaughter.

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Revised coding procedures were implemented in 1984 and 1987 to improve victim/offender relationship data. Caution should be used when comparing current year data with data for prior years.

TABLE 26  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1984-1988  
Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population  
Grouped by 20 Largest Counties and the Remainder of State

County groupings	Population July 1, 1986	Average number of victims 1984-1988	Average homicide rate <sup>a</sup>
TOTAL.....	26,980,800	2,882.2	10.7
20 largest counties .....	24,035,800	2,675.6	11.1
Remainder of state.....	2,945,000	206.6	7.0

<sup>a</sup>The average homicide rate for each county grouping was calculated using the sum of the estimated populations of the counties in each group as of July 1, 1986 and the average number of willful homicide victims during the five-year period of 1984-1988.

<sup>b</sup>County groupings are based on county population estimates as of July 1, 1986. The 20 largest counties are Los Angeles, San Diego, Orange, Santa Clara, Alameda, San Bernardino, Sacramento, Riverside, San Francisco, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Ventura, Fresno, Kern, San Joaquin, Sonoma, Santa Barbara, Monterey, Stanislaus, and Solano.

Source: Table 27.

TABLE 27  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1984-1988  
Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population by County

County	Population July 1, 1986	Average homicide rate <sup>a</sup>	Total	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
TOTAL.....	26,980,800	10.7	14,411	2,724	2,781	3,030	2,929	2,947
Alameda.....	1,212,000	12.9	783	160	143	174	147	159
Alpine.....	1,200	-	3	1	0	1	0	1
Amador.....	23,900	-	10	3	3	1	3	0
Butte.....	165,600	4.3	36	5	3	7	16	5
Calaveras.....	27,900	24.4	34	3	19	3	4	5
Colusa.....	15,000	-	6	0	2	3	1	0
Contra Costa.....	729,800	8.4	308	67	62	53	51	75
Del Norte.....	19,100	-	13	2	3	1	2	5
El Dorado.....	108,000	7.2	39	6	8	9	10	6
Fresno.....	584,000	12.6	368	71	80	88	67	62
Glenn.....	23,000	-	7	3	2	0	2	0
Humboldt.....	113,200	5.7	32	6	7	7	6	6
Imperial.....	108,300	8.1	44	8	5	14	8	9
Inyo.....	18,000	-	5	1	2	1	0	1
Kern.....	490,900	11.2	274	38	56	54	61	65
Kings.....	85,700	-	19	2	6	5	3	3
Lake.....	49,000	9.4	23	6	1	7	5	4
Lassen.....	24,900	-	10	3	1	2	2	2
Los Angeles.....	8,292,800	16.4	6,794	1,299	1,326	1,408	1,412	1,349
Madera.....	78,700	10.9	43	5	7	5	18	8
Marin.....	227,300	2.7	31	4	10	6	5	6
Mariposa.....	13,700	-	8	1	2	0	1	4
Mendocino.....	74,400	9.9	37	9	7	10	5	6
Merced.....	163,300	5.6	46	9	13	11	8	5
Modoc.....	9,400	-	6	1	1	2	1	1
Mono.....	9,200	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey.....	336,300	5.9	100	22	26	25	15	12
Napa.....	104,500	4.4	23	5	4	6	2	6
Nevada.....	70,900	6.8	24	7	6	5	4	2
Orange.....	2,171,200	4.9	537	102	115	108	90	122



TABLE 27 - continued  
 WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1984-1988  
 Average Homicide Rate per 100,000 Population by County

County	Population July 1, 1986	Average homicide rate <sup>a</sup>	Total	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Placer .....	142,800	6.9	49	10	8	8	12	11
Plumas .....	19,400	-	3	1	0	1	0	1
Riverside .....	864,600	10.3	444	101	79	83	98	83
Sacramento .....	916,700	10.1	462	79	66	107	109	101
San Benito .....	32,100	-	12	4	1	1	1	5
San Bernardino .....	1,138,000	11.2	637	106	109	134	143	145
San Diego .....	2,205,900	8.4	926	163	163	196	176	228
San Francisco .....	744,600	12.6	468	73	85	114	104	92
San Joaquin .....	431,000	13.0	281	50	52	62	51	66
San Luis Obispo .....	195,100	4.1	40	9	9	14	6	2
San Mateo .....	615,400	5.3	164	29	36	40	29	30
Santa Barbara .....	338,000	4.9	82	17	18	10	13	24
Santa Clara .....	1,403,300	4.8	338	75	86	59	49	69
Santa Cruz .....	218,100	6.7	73	14	16	18	14	11
Shasta .....	132,600	8.4	56	7	13	12	13	11
Sierra .....	3,400	-	9	2	4	0	2	1
Siskiyou .....	42,500	9.9	21	2	3	7	7	2
Solano .....	286,000	6.9	99	15	12	18	29	25
Sonoma .....	344,800	5.3	91	18	14	24	19	16
Stanislaus .....	315,100	5.6	88	13	16	22	21	16
Sutter .....	58,800	7.1	21	1	5	3	7	5
Tehama .....	44,700	-	16	4	5	0	3	4
Trinity .....	13,500	-	7	3	2	0	1	1
Tulare .....	285,700	10.5	150	37	25	26	34	28
Tuolumne .....	42,300	-	6	1	1	0	3	1
Ventura .....	615,400	4.4	134	29	20	40	18	27
Yolo .....	125,800	8.1	51	9	8	10	14	10
Yuba .....	54,000	7.4	20	3	5	5	4	3

<sup>a</sup>The average homicide rate per 100,000 population for each county was calculated using the estimated population as of July 1, 1986 and the average number of willful homicide victims during the five-year period of 1984-1988.

Notes: The average homicide rate was not calculated when the total number of homicides during 1984-1988 was less than 20.

Population estimates were obtained from the California Department of Finance. Each year minor adjustments are made in the population estimates. The adjustments have a minimal effect on average homicide rates.

TABLE 28  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Known Month of Incident

Known month of incident	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,932	100.0	3,405	100.0	3,131	100.0	2,749	100.0	2,633	100.0
Total .....	1,361	46.4	1,502	44.1	1,499	47.9	1,337	48.6	1,251	47.5
January.....	226	7.7	275	8.1	234	7.5	245	8.9	255	9.7
February.....	207	7.1	220	6.5	272	8.7	202	7.3	168	6.4
March.....	230	7.8	240	7.0	216	6.9	213	7.7	206	7.8
April.....	219	7.5	232	6.8	232	7.4	220	8.0	211	8.0
May.....	243	8.3	236	6.9	271	8.7	245	8.9	219	8.3
June.....	236	8.0	299	8.8	274	8.8	212	7.7	192	7.3
Total .....	1,571	53.6	1,903	55.9	1,632	52.1	1,412	51.4	1,382	52.5
July.....	239	8.2	329	9.7	308	9.8	233	8.5	236	9.0
August.....	246	8.4	360	10.6	297	9.5	233	8.5	239	9.1
September.....	262	8.9	318	9.3	257	8.2	271	9.9	231	8.8
October.....	249	8.5	280	8.2	265	8.5	239	8.7	238	9.0
November.....	279	9.5	305	9.0	239	7.6	205	7.5	204	7.7
December.....	296	10.1	311	9.1	266	8.5	231	8.4	234	8.9

Known month of incident	1984		1985		1986		1987		1988	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,724	100.0	2,781	100.0	3,030	100.0	2,929	100.0	2,947	100.0
Total .....	1,257	46.1	1,317	47.4	1,437	47.4	1,469	50.2	1,367	46.4
January.....	251	9.2	218	7.8	249	8.2	224	7.6	236	8.0
February.....	167	6.1	239	8.6	218	7.2	249	8.5	196	6.7
March.....	205	7.5	210	7.6	240	7.9	254	8.7	229	7.8
April.....	216	7.9	212	7.6	240	7.9	239	8.2	223	7.6
May.....	222	8.1	212	7.6	238	7.9	254	8.7	253	8.6
June.....	196	7.2	226	8.1	252	8.3	249	8.5	230	7.8
Total .....	1,467	53.9	1,464	52.6	1,593	52.6	1,460	49.8	1,580	53.6
July.....	234	8.6	261	9.4	263	8.7	237	8.1	276	9.4
August.....	267	9.8	278	10.0	284	9.4	259	8.8	286	9.7
September.....	260	9.5	210	7.6	302	10.0	226	7.7	267	9.1
October.....	259	9.5	216	7.8	258	8.5	257	8.8	254	8.6
November.....	227	8.3	230	8.3	247	8.2	226	7.7	238	8.1
December.....	220	8.1	269	9.7	239	7.9	255	8.7	259	8.8

Notes: This table excludes 9 victims in 1979, 9 victims in 1981, 29 victims in 1982, and 7 victims in 1983 for whom the month of incident resulting in death was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.

TABLE 29  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Average Monthly Number of Homicides in First and Second Half of Year

Year	Number		Average monthly number	
	First half	Second half	First half	Second half
TOTAL.....	13,797	15,464	230.0	257.7
1988.....	1,367	1,580	227.8	263.3
1987.....	1,469	1,460	244.8	243.3
1986.....	1,437	1,593	239.5	265.5
1985.....	1,317	1,464	219.5	244.0
1984.....	1,257	1,467	209.5	244.5
1983.....	1,251	1,382	208.5	230.3
1982.....	1,337	1,412	222.8	235.3
1981.....	1,499	1,632	249.8	272.0
1980.....	1,502	1,903	250.3	317.2
1979.....	1,361	1,571	226.8	261.8

Source: Table 28.

TABLE 30  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Day of Incident by Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim

Race/ethnic group and sex of victim	Total	Known day of incident							Weekend	Weekday
		Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
<b>TOTAL</b>										
Number.....	2,563	443	327	333	305	319	413	423	866	1,697
Percent.....	100.0	17.3	12.8	13.0	11.9	12.4	16.1	16.5	33.8	66.2
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>										
Number.....	815	114	114	110	103	113	136	125	239	576
Percent.....	100.0	14.0	14.0	13.5	12.6	13.9	16.7	15.3	29.3	70.7
<b>Hispanic</b>										
Number.....	793	189	89	79	77	89	121	149	338	455
Percent.....	100.0	23.8	11.2	10.0	9.7	11.2	15.3	18.8	42.6	57.4
<b>Black</b>										
Number.....	813	113	105	128	115	98	131	123	236	577
Percent.....	100.0	13.9	12.9	15.7	14.1	12.1	16.1	15.1	29.0	71.0
<b>All other</b>										
Number.....	135	27	19	14	10	17	23	25	52	83
Percent.....	100.0	20.0	14.1	10.4	7.4	12.6	17.0	18.5	38.5	61.5
<b>Unknown</b>										
Number.....	7	0	0	2	0	2	2	1	1	6
Percent.....	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Male</b>										
Number.....	1,985	371	251	255	229	226	310	343	714	1,271
Percent.....	100.0	18.7	12.6	12.8	11.5	11.4	15.6	17.3	36.0	64.0
<b>Female</b>										
Number.....	578	72	76	78	76	93	103	80	152	426
Percent.....	100.0	12.5	13.1	13.5	13.1	16.1	17.8	13.8	26.3	73.7

Notes: This table excludes 384 victims for whom the day of incident resulting in death was unknown.

Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 31.

TABLE 31  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim by Day of Incident

Day of incident	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0	2,258	100.0	689	100.0
Sunday.....	443	15.0	114	12.0	189	20.6	113	12.3	27	17.9	0	-	371	16.4	72	10.4
Monday.....	327	11.1	114	12.0	89	9.7	105	11.5	19	12.6	0	-	251	11.1	76	11.0
Tuesday.....	333	11.3	110	11.6	79	8.6	128	14.0	14	9.3	2	-	255	11.3	78	11.3
Wednesday.....	305	10.3	103	10.9	77	8.4	115	12.5	10	6.6	0	-	229	10.1	76	11.0
Thursday.....	319	10.8	113	11.9	89	9.7	98	10.7	17	11.3	2	-	226	10.0	93	13.5
Friday.....	413	14.0	136	14.3	121	13.2	131	14.3	23	15.2	2	-	310	13.7	103	14.9
Saturday.....	423	14.4	125	13.2	149	16.2	123	13.4	25	16.6	1	-	343	15.2	80	11.6
Unknown.....	384	13.0	133	14.0	124	13.5	104	11.3	16	10.6	7	-	273	12.1	111	16.1

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 32  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Location of Homicide by Sex of Victim

Sex of victim	Total	Known location of homicide		
		Victim's residence <sup>a</sup>	Street, sidewalk	All other
TOTAL				
Number.....	2,795	853	930	1,012
Percent.....	100.0	30.5	33.3	36.2
Male				
Number.....	2,147	494	842	811
Percent.....	100.0	23.0	39.2	37.8
Female				
Number.....	648	359	88	201
Percent.....	100.0	55.4	13.6	31.0

<sup>a</sup>Includes 280 homicides in which the victim shared a residence with the offender.

Note: This table excludes 152 victims for whom the location of the homicide was unknown.

Source: Table 34.

TABLE 33  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Location of Homicide by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Known location of homicide		
		Victim's residence <sup>a</sup>	Street, sidewalk	All other
TOTAL				
Number.....	2,795	853	930	1,012
Percent.....	100.0	30.5	33.3	36.2
White (not Hispanic)				
Number.....	895	413	153	329
Percent.....	100.0	46.1	17.1	36.8
Hispanic				
Number.....	867	170	352	345
Percent.....	100.0	19.6	40.6	39.8
Black				
Number.....	879	217	393	269
Percent.....	100.0	24.7	44.7	30.6
All other				
Number.....	144	53	30	61
Percent.....	100.0	36.8	20.8	42.4
Unknown				
Number.....	10	0	2	8
Percent.....	100.0	-	-	-

<sup>a</sup>Includes 280 homicides in which the victim shared a residence with the offender.

Notes: This table excludes 152 victims for whom the location of the homicide was unknown.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 34.

TABLE 34  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0	2,258	100.0	689	100.0
Hotel, motel.....	49	1.7	12	1.3	19	2.1	16	1.7	2	1.3	0	-	40	1.8	9	1.3
Victim's residence.....	573	19.4	264	27.8	119	13.0	155	16.9	35	23.2	0	-	374	16.6	199	28.9
Shared residence.....	280	9.5	149	15.7	51	5.6	62	6.8	18	11.9	0	-	120	5.3	160	23.2
Other residence.....	242	8.2	86	9.1	50	5.5	95	10.4	11	7.3	0	-	184	8.1	58	8.4
Liquor store.....	1	.0	0	.0	0	.0	1	.1	0	.0	0	-	1	.0	0	.0
Bar.....	57	1.9	16	1.7	38	4.1	2	.2	1	.7	0	-	54	2.4	3	.4
Other business.....	68	2.3	37	3.9	14	1.5	6	.7	11	7.3	0	-	55	2.4	13	1.9
Parking lot.....	91	3.1	15	1.6	45	4.9	23	2.5	8	5.3	0	-	84	3.7	7	1.0
Vehicle.....	207	7.0	51	5.4	72	7.9	70	7.6	12	7.9	2	-	177	7.8	30	4.4
Street, sidewalk.....	930	31.6	153	16.1	352	38.4	393	42.9	30	19.9	2	-	842	37.3	88	12.8
Field, park.....	249	8.4	93	9.8	91	9.9	49	5.3	11	7.3	5	-	175	7.8	74	10.7
School.....	6	.2	2	.2	2	.2	2	.2	0	.0	0	-	4	.2	2	.3
Other.....	42	1.4	17	1.8	14	1.5	5	.5	5	3.3	1	-	37	1.6	5	.7
Unknown.....	152	5.2	53	5.6	50	5.5	38	4.1	7	4.6	4	-	111	4.9	41	6.0

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Revised coding procedures were implemented in 1987 to improve location data. Caution should be used when comparing current year data with data for prior years.

TABLE 35  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Type of Weapon

Known type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,927	100.0
Handgun.....	1,332	45.5
Rifle/shotgun/other firearm.....	299	10.2
Firearm unknown.....	165	5.6
Knife <sup>a</sup> .....	587	20.1
Blunt object <sup>b</sup> .....	190	6.5
Personal weapon <sup>c</sup> .....	184	6.3
Rope <sup>d</sup> .....	78	2.7
All other.....	92	3.1

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

<sup>c</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

<sup>d</sup>Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

Notes: This table excludes 20 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Revised coding procedures were implemented in 1987 to improve weapon data. Caution should be used when comparing current year data with data for prior years.

Source: Table 38.

TABLE 36  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Type of Weapon by Sex of Victim

Sex of victim	Total	Known type of weapon			
		Firearm	Knife <sup>a</sup>	Personal weapon <sup>b</sup>	All other
TOTAL					
Number.....	2,927	1,796	587	184	360
Percent.....	100.0	61.4	20.1	6.3	12.3
Male					
Number.....	2,247	1,479	457	108	203
Percent.....	100.0	65.8	20.3	4.8	9.0
Female					
Number.....	680	317	130	76	157
Percent.....	100.0	46.6	19.1	11.2	23.1

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

Notes: This table excludes 20 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 38.



TABLE 37  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Type of Weapon by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Known type of weapon			
		Firearm	Knife <sup>a</sup>	Personal weapon <sup>b</sup>	All other
<b>TOTAL</b>					
Number .....	2,927	1,796	587	184	360
Percent .....	100.0	61.4	20.1	6.3	12.3
<b>White (not Hispanic)</b>					
Number .....	935	459	227	86	163
Percent .....	100.0	49.1	24.3	9.2	17.4
<b>Hispanic</b>					
Number .....	915	589	193	40	93
Percent .....	100.0	64.4	21.1	4.4	10.2
<b>Black</b>					
Number .....	915	652	142	53	68
Percent .....	100.0	71.3	15.5	5.8	7.4
<b>All other</b>					
Number .....	149	91	25	4	29
Percent .....	100.0	61.1	16.8	2.7	19.5
<b>Unknown</b>					
Number .....	13	5	0	1	7
Percent .....	100.0	-	-	-	-

<sup>a</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>b</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

Notes: This table excludes 20 victims for whom the type of weapon used in the homicide was unknown.

Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 38.

TABLE 38  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim by Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0	2,258	100.0	689	100.0
Firearm - unknown .....	165	5.6	34	3.6	61	6.7	62	6.8	6	4.0	2	-	136	6.0	29	4.2
Handgun.....	1,332	45.2	316	33.3	439	47.9	503	54.9	71	47.0	3	-	1,092	48.4	240	34.8
Rifle.....	140	4.8	56	5.9	41	4.5	38	4.1	5	3.3	0	-	111	4.9	29	4.2
Shotgun .....	153	5.2	53	5.6	45	4.9	46	5.0	9	6.0	0	-	134	5.9	19	2.8
Other firearm <sup>a</sup> .....	6	.2	0	.0	3	.3	3	.3	0	.0	0	-	6	.3	0	.0
Knife <sup>b</sup> .....	587	19.9	227	23.9	193	21.0	142	15.5	25	16.6	0	-	457	20.2	130	18.9
Blunt object <sup>c</sup> .....	190	6.4	80	8.4	50	5.5	40	4.4	16	10.6	4	-	134	5.9	56	8.1
Personal weapon <sup>d</sup> .....	184	6.2	86	9.1	40	4.4	53	5.8	4	2.6	1	-	108	4.8	76	11.0
Drugs.....	12	.4	11	1.2	1	.1	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	3	.1	9	1.3
Rope <sup>e</sup> .....	78	2.6	36	3.8	18	2.0	17	1.9	7	4.6	0	-	20	.9	58	8.4
Other.....	80	2.7	36	3.8	24	2.6	11	1.2	6	4.0	3	-	46	2.0	34	4.9
Unknown .....	20	.7	13	1.4	2	.2	2	.2	2	1.3	1	-	11	.5	9	1.3

<sup>a</sup>Machine gun, cannon, etc.

<sup>b</sup>Any instrument used to cut or stab.

<sup>c</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

<sup>d</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

<sup>e</sup>Any implement used to hang or strangle.

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 39  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Contributing Circumstance by Sex of Victim

Sex of victim	Total	Known contributing circumstance						
		Rape	Robbery	Argument	Burglary	Gang-related	Drug-related	All other
TOTAL								
Number.....	2,541	39	342	1,205	36	309	271	339
Percent.....	100.0	1.5	13.5	47.4	1.4	12.2	10.7	13.3
Male								
Number.....	1,960	1	297	917	17	290	240	198
Percent.....	100.0	.1	15.2	46.8	.9	14.8	12.2	10.1
Female								
Number.....	581	38	45	288	19	19	31	141
Percent.....	100.0	6.5	7.7	49.6	3.3	3.3	5.3	24.3

Notes: This table excludes 406 victims for whom the circumstance contributing to the homicide was unknown.

Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 41.

TABLE 40  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Contributing Circumstance by Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Race/ethnic group of victim	Total	Known contributing circumstance				
		Rape, robbery, burglary	Argument	Gang-related	Drug-related	All other
TOTAL						
Number.....	2,541	417	1,205	309	271	339
Percent.....	100.0	16.4	47.4	12.2	10.7	13.3
White (not Hispanic)						
Number.....	822	173	410	9	51	179
Percent.....	100.0	21.0	49.9	1.1	6.2	21.8
Hispanic						
Number.....	772	110	403	128	64	67
Percent.....	100.0	14.2	52.2	16.6	8.3	8.7
Black						
Number.....	808	101	328	160	152	67
Percent.....	100.0	12.5	40.6	19.8	18.8	8.3
All other						
Number.....	135	31	63	12	4	25
Percent.....	100.0	23.0	46.7	8.9	3.0	18.5
Unknown						
Number.....	4	2	1	0	0	1
Percent.....	100.0	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: This table excludes 406 victims for whom the circumstance contributing to the homicide was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 41.

TABLE 41  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group and Sex of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Total		Race/ethnic group of victim										Sex of victim			
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	948	100.0	917	100.0	917	100.0	151	100.0	14	100.0	2,258	100.0	689	100.0
Argument.....	1,205	40.9	410	43.2	403	43.9	328	35.8	63	41.7	1	-	917	40.6	288	41.8
Rape.....	39	1.3	22	2.3	4	.4	12	1.3	0	.0	1	-	1	.0	38	5.5
Robbery.....	342	11.6	127	13.4	103	11.2	82	8.9	29	19.2	1	-	297	13.2	45	6.5
Burglary.....	36	1.2	24	2.5	3	.3	7	.8	2	1.3	0	-	17	.8	19	2.8
Drug-related.....	271	9.2	51	5.4	64	7.0	152	16.6	4	2.6	0	-	240	10.6	31	4.5
Gangland.....	9	.3	4	.4	3	.3	2	.2	0	.0	0	-	8	.4	1	.1
Gang-related.....	309	10.5	9	.9	128	14.0	160	17.4	12	7.9	0	-	290	12.8	19	2.8
Other.....	330	11.2	175	18.5	64	7.0	65	7.1	25	16.6	1	-	190	8.4	140	20.3
Unknown.....	406	13.8	126	13.3	145	15.8	109	11.9	16	10.6	10	-	298	13.2	108	15.7

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 42  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Known Age of Victim by Known Contributing Circumstance

Known contributing circumstance	Total		Known age of victim							
			Under 15		15-19		20-59		60 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,521	100.0	136	100.0	307	100.0	1,866	100.0	212	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	416	16.5	3	2.2	26	8.5	296	15.9	91	42.9
Argument.....	1,189	47.2	10	7.4	99	32.2	1,019	54.6	61	28.8
Gang-related.....	309	12.3	10	7.4	128	41.7	168	9.0	3	1.4
Child abuse.....	65	2.6	65	47.8	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
All other.....	542	21.5	48	35.3	54	17.6	383	20.5	57	26.9

Notes: This table excludes 406 victims for whom the contributing circumstance to the homicide was unknown and 20 whose age was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Source: Table 43.

TABLE 43  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Total		Age of victim							
			Under 5		5-14		15-19		20-29	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,947	100.0	88	100.0	56	100.0	336	100.0	1,067	100.0
Rape.....	39	1.3	0	.0	1	1.8	6	1.8	18	1.7
Robbery.....	342	11.6	1	1.1	1	1.8	19	5.7	95	8.9
Burglary.....	36	1.2	0	.0	0	.0	1	.3	2	.2
Argument.....	1,205	40.9	3	3.4	7	12.5	99	29.5	472	44.2
Child abuse.....	65	2.2	58	65.9	7	12.5	0	.0	0	.0
Gang-related.....	309	10.5	1	1.1	9	16.1	128	38.1	135	12.7
Arson.....	12	.4	1	1.1	1	1.8	0	.0	2	.2
Drug-related.....	271	9.2	1	1.1	1	1.8	30	8.9	126	11.8
Other.....	262	8.9	23	26.1	21	37.5	24	7.1	63	5.9
Unknown.....	406	13.8	0	.0	8	14.3	29	8.6	154	14.4

Contributing circumstance	Age of victim											
	30-39		40-49		50-59		60-69		70 and over		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	662	100.0	309	100.0	157	100.0	120	100.0	111	100.0	41	100.0
Rape.....	10	1.5	2	.6	0	.0	1	.8	1	.9	0	-
Robbery.....	70	10.6	46	14.9	34	21.7	36	30.0	39	35.1	1	-
Burglary.....	4	.6	11	3.6	4	2.5	4	3.3	10	9.0	0	-
Argument.....	318	48.0	156	50.5	73	46.5	41	34.2	20	18.0	16	-
Child abuse.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-
Gang-related.....	28	4.2	3	1.0	2	1.3	2	1.7	1	.9	0	-
Arson.....	3	.5	0	.0	2	1.3	0	.0	2	1.8	1	-
Drug-related.....	82	12.4	20	6.5	6	3.8	5	4.2	0	.0	0	-
Other.....	39	5.9	25	8.1	15	9.6	19	15.8	31	27.9	2	-
Unknown.....	108	16.3	46	14.9	21	13.4	12	10.0	7	6.3	21	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

TABLE 44  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1979-1988  
Known Contributing Circumstance

Known contributing circumstance	1979		1980		1981		1982		1983	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,142	100.0	2,454	100.0	2,395	100.0	2,282	100.0	2,323	100.0
Rape.....	60	2.8	47	1.9	46	1.9	44	1.9	54	2.3
Robbery.....	410	19.1	489	19.9	464	19.4	473	20.7	400	17.2
Argument.....	1,223	57.1	1,414	57.6	1,143	47.7	1,159	50.8	1,364	58.7
Burglary.....	28	1.3	56	2.3	64	2.7	56	2.5	47	2.0
Gang-related.....	147	6.9	136	5.5	183	7.6	140	6.1	148	6.4
Drug-related.....	109	5.1	119	4.8	101	4.2	77	3.4	107	4.6
All other.....	165	7.7	193	7.9	394	16.5	333	14.6	203	8.7

Known contributing circumstance	1984		1985		1986		1987		1988		Percent change 1979-1988    1987-1988	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
TOTAL.....	2,448	100.0	2,520	100.0	2,785	100.0	2,727	100.0	2,541	100.0	18.6	-6.8
Rape.....	62	2.5	63	2.5	69	2.5	85	3.1	39	1.5	-35.0	-54.1
Robbery.....	375	15.3	339	13.5	376	13.5	374	13.7	342	13.5	-16.6	-8.6
Argument.....	1,433	58.5	1,452	57.6	1,461	52.5	1,357	49.8	1,205	47.4	-1.5	-11.2
Burglary.....	54	2.2	67	2.7	73	2.6	42	1.5	36	1.4	-	-
Gang-related.....	164	6.7	202	8.0	268	9.6	312	11.4	309	12.2	110.2	-1.0
Drug-related.....	141	5.8	188	7.5	255	9.2	238	8.7	271	10.7	148.6	13.9
All other.....	219	8.9	209	8.3	283	10.2	319	11.7	339	13.3	105.5	6.3

Notes: This table excludes 799 victims in 1979, 951 victims in 1980, 745 victims in 1981, 496 victims in 1982, 317 victims in 1983, 276 victims in 1984, 261 victims in 1985, 245 victims in 1986, 202 victims in 1987, and 406 victims in 1988 for whom the contributing circumstance to the homicide was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.  
Dash indicates that percent changes from one given year to a subsequent year are not calculated when the given base year number is less than 50.

TABLE 45  
WILLFUL HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988  
Number of Victims by Number of Offenders for Each Homicide Incident

Number of offenders for each homicide incident	Total	Number of victims	
		Single victim	Multiple victims
TOTAL.....	2,947	2,730	217
Single offender.....	1,773	1,624	149
Multiple offenders.....	516	484	32
Number unknown.....	658	622	36

TABLE 46  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Sex

Sex of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,925	100.0	773	100.0	879	100.0	1,105	100.0	168	100.0
Sex										
Male.....	2,626	89.8	647	83.7	831	94.5	994	90.0	154	91.7
Female.....	299	10.2	126	16.3	48	5.5	111	10.0	14	8.3
Juvenile.....	369	100.0	26	100.0	147	100.0	180	100.0	16	100.0
Male.....	349	94.6	22	-	144	98.0	169	93.9	14	-
Female.....	20	5.4	4	-	3	2.0	11	6.1	2	-
Adult.....	2,556	100.0	747	100.0	732	100.0	925	100.0	152	100.0
Male.....	2,277	89.1	625	83.7	687	93.9	825	89.2	140	92.1
Female.....	279	10.9	122	16.3	45	6.1	100	10.8	12	7.9

Note: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 50.

TABLE 47  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988  
Juvenile and Adult

	Total	Juvenile	Adult
Number.....	2,925	369	2,556
Percent.....	100.0	12.6	87.4

Source: Table 50.

TABLE 48  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Sex

Sex of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,925	100.0	773	26.4	879	30.1	1,105	37.8	168	5.7
Sex										
Male.....	2,626	100.0	647	24.6	831	31.6	994	37.9	154	5.9
Female.....	299	100.0	126	42.1	48	16.1	111	37.1	14	4.7
Juvenile.....	369	100.0	26	7.0	147	39.8	180	48.8	16	4.3
Male.....	349	100.0	22	6.3	144	41.3	169	48.4	14	4.0
Female.....	20	100.0	4	-	3	-	11	-	2	-
Adult.....	2,556	100.0	747	29.2	732	28.6	925	36.2	152	5.9
Male.....	2,277	100.0	625	27.4	687	30.2	825	36.2	140	6.1
Female.....	279	100.0	122	43.7	45	16.1	100	35.8	12	4.3

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Source: Table 50.

TABLE 49  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Age

Age of arrestee	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee							
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	2,925	100.0	773	100.0	879	100.0	1,105	100.0	168	100.0
Under 20.....	752	25.7	74	9.6	273	31.1	352	31.9	53	31.5
20-29.....	1,201	41.1	296	38.3	384	43.7	455	41.2	66	39.3
30-39.....	585	20.0	211	27.3	153	17.4	190	17.2	31	18.5
40 and over.....	387	13.2	192	24.8	69	7.8	108	9.8	18	10.7

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Source: Table 50.



TABLE 50  
ARRESTS FOR MURDER, 1988  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Sex and Age

Sex and age of arrestee	Total	Race/ethnic group of arrestee			
		White (not Hispanic)	Hispanic	Black	All other
TOTAL.....	2,925	773	879	1,105	168
Sex					
Male.....	2,626	647	831	994	154
Female.....	299	126	48	111	14
Juvenile <sup>a</sup> .....	369	26	147	180	16
Male.....	349	22	144	169	14
Female.....	20	4	3	11	2
Adult.....	2,556	747	732	925	152
Male.....	2,277	625	687	825	140
Female.....	279	122	45	100	12
Age					
0-14.....	49	4	16	26	3
15-19.....	703	70	257	326	50
20-24.....	679	130	233	272	44
25-29.....	522	166	151	183	22
30-34.....	350	122	94	110	24
35-39.....	235	89	59	80	7
40-44.....	173	84	36	44	9
45-49.....	97	44	18	32	3
50-54.....	40	21	7	9	3
55-59.....	31	18	4	9	0
60-64.....	17	10	1	6	0
65-69.....	10	4	1	4	1
70 and over.....	19	11	2	4	2

<sup>a</sup>A person under 18 years of age.

TABLE 51  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Type of Disposition by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Type of disposition					
			Released <sup>a</sup>		Complaints filed			
					Dismissed <sup>b</sup> or acquitted		Convicted	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,477	100.0	223	15.1	181	12.3	1,073	72.6
Sex								
Male.....	1,348	100.0	191	14.2	157	11.6	1,000	74.2
Female.....	127	100.0	32	25.2	23	18.1	72	56.7
Unknown .....	2	100.0	0	-	1	-	1	-
Race/ethnic group								
White (not Hispanic)...	440	100.0	41	9.3	52	11.8	347	78.9
Hispanic.....	390	100.0	74	19.0	44	11.3	272	69.7
Black.....	591	100.0	100	16.9	77	13.0	414	70.1
All other .....	46	100.0	7	-	5	-	34	-
Unknown .....	10	100.0	1	-	3	-	6	-
Age								
Under 20.....	154	100.0	44	28.6	19	12.3	91	59.1
20-29.....	718	100.0	94	13.1	77	10.7	547	76.2
30-39.....	383	100.0	57	14.9	53	13.8	273	71.3
40 and over.....	222	100.0	28	12.6	32	14.4	162	73.0

<sup>a</sup>Includes "law enforcement releases," "complaints denied," and "petition to revoke probation."

<sup>b</sup>Includes "diversions dismissed."

Notes: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

Source: Tables 53, 54, and 55.

TABLE 52  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
AND COMPLAINTS FILED  
Type of Disposition by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Type of disposition			
			Dismissed or acquitted <sup>a</sup>		Convicted	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL .....	1,254	100.0	181	14.4	1,073	85.6
Sex						
Male.....	1,157	100.0	157	13.6	1,000	86.4
Female.....	95	100.0	23	24.2	72	75.8
Unknown .....	2	100.0	1	-	1	-
Race/ethnic group						
White (not Hispanic) .....	399	100.0	52	13.0	347	87.0
Hispanic.....	316	100.0	44	13.9	272	86.1
Black.....	491	100.0	77	15.7	414	84.3
All other .....	39	100.0	5	-	34	-
Unknown .....	9	100.0	3	-	6	-
Age						
Under 20.....	110	100.0	19	17.3	91	82.7
20-29.....	624	100.0	77	12.3	547	87.7
30-39.....	326	100.0	53	16.3	273	83.7
40 and over.....	194	100.0	32	16.5	162	83.5

<sup>a</sup>Includes "diversions dismissed."

Notes: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

Source: Tables 53, 54, and 55.

TABLE 53  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Sex of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

Type of disposition	Total		Sex of arrestee					
			Male		Female		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,477	100.0	1,348	100.0	127	100.0	2	100.0
Not convicted.....	404	27.4	348	25.8	55	43.3	1	-
Law enforcement releases .....	108	7.3	94	7.0	14	11.0	0	-
Complaints denied.....	115	7.8	97	7.2	18	14.2	0	-
Petition to revoke probation .....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-
Dismissed, lower court .....	100	6.8	88	6.5	12	9.4	0	-
Diversions dismissed, lower court .....	2	.1	1	.1	1	.8	0	-
Acquitted, lower court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-
Dismissed, superior court.....	43	2.9	41	3.0	2	1.6	0	-
Diversions dismissed, superior court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-
Acquitted, superior court.....	36	2.4	27	2.0	8	6.3	1	-
Convicted .....	1,073	72.6	1,000	74.2	72	56.7	1	-
Lower court.....	17	1.2	17	1.3	0	.0	0	-
Superior court .....	1,056	71.5	983	72.9	72	56.7	1	-

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TABLE 54  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

Type of disposition	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,477	100.0	440	100.0	390	100.0	591	100.0	46	100.0	10	100.0
Not convicted.....	404	27.4	93	21.1	118	30.3	177	29.9	12	-	4	-
Law enforcement releases.....	108	7.3	21	4.8	38	9.7	46	7.8	3	-	0	-
Complaints denied.....	115	7.8	20	4.5	36	9.2	54	9.1	4	-	1	-
Petition to revoke probation.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	0	-
Dismissed, lower court.....	100	6.8	28	6.4	27	6.9	40	6.8	3	-	2	-
Diversions dismissed, lower court.....	2	.1	2	.5	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	0	-
Acquitted, lower court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	0	-
Dismissed, superior court.....	43	2.9	13	3.0	9	2.3	20	3.4	1	-	0	-
Diversions dismissed, superior court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	0	-
Acquitted, superior court.....	36	2.4	9	2.0	8	2.1	17	2.9	1	-	1	-
Convicted.....	1,073	72.6	347	78.9	272	69.7	414	70.1	34	-	6	-
Lower court.....	17	1.2	9	2.0	3	.8	4	.7	1	-	0	-
Superior court.....	1,056	71.5	338	76.8	269	69.0	410	69.4	33	-	6	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.  
Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.  
Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

TABLE 55  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER  
Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

Type of disposition	Total		Age of arrestee											
			Under 20		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
TOTAL.....	1,477	100.0	154	100.0	386	100.0	332	100.0	240	100.0	143	100.0	222	100.0
Not convicted.....	404	27.4	63	40.9	91	23.6	80	24.1	77	32.1	33	23.1	60	27.0
Law enforcement releases.....	108	7.3	15	9.7	27	7.0	25	7.5	21	8.8	7	4.9	13	5.9
Complaints denied.....	115	7.8	29	18.8	19	4.9	23	6.9	20	8.3	9	6.3	15	6.8
Petition to revoke probation.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
Dismissed, lower court.....	100	6.8	15	9.7	27	7.0	17	5.1	17	7.1	9	6.3	15	6.8
Diversions dismissed, lower court.....	2	.1	0	.0	2	.5	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
Acquitted, lower court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
Dismissed, superior court.....	43	2.9	2	1.3	9	2.3	4	1.2	11	4.6	7	4.9	10	4.5
Diversions dismissed, superior court.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
Acquitted, superior court.....	36	2.4	2	1.3	7	1.8	11	3.3	8	3.3	1	.7	7	3.2
Convicted.....	1,073	72.6	91	59.1	295	76.4	252	75.9	163	67.9	110	76.9	162	73.0
Lower court.....	17	1.2	2	1.3	6	1.6	2	.6	0	.0	2	1.4	5	2.3
Superior court.....	1,056	71.5	89	57.8	289	74.9	250	75.3	163	67.9	108	75.5	157	70.7

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.  
Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

TABLE 56  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense by Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee	Total		Convicted offense			
			Murder		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	462	43.1	611	56.9
Sex						
Male.....	1,000	100.0	435	43.5	565	56.5
Female.....	72	100.0	27	37.5	45	62.5
Unknown .....	1	100.0	0	-	1	-
Race/ethnic group						
White (not Hispanic).....	347	100.0	173	49.9	174	50.1
Hispanic.....	272	100.0	111	40.8	161	59.2
Black.....	414	100.0	159	38.4	255	61.6
All other .....	34	100.0	16	-	18	-
Unknown .....	6	100.0	3	-	3	-
Age						
Under 20.....	91	100.0	40	44.0	51	56.0
20-29.....	547	100.0	248	45.3	299	54.7
30-39.....	273	100.0	110	40.3	163	59.7
40 and over.....	162	100.0	64	39.5	98	60.5

Notes: Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

Source: Tables 58, 59, and 60.

TABLE 57  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0
Murder.....	462	43.1
Manslaughter.....	431	40.2
Other.....	180	16.8
Assault.....	61	5.7
Robbery.....	10	.9
Other.....	109	10.2

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

TABLE 58  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Sex of Arrestee by Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Total		Sex of arrestee					
			Male		Female		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	1,000	100.0	72	100.0	1	100.0
Murder.....	462	43.1	435	43.5	27	37.5	0	-
Manslaughter.....	431	40.2	392	39.2	38	52.8	1	-
Other.....	180	16.8	173	17.3	7	9.7	0	-
Assault.....	61	5.7	59	5.9	2	2.8	0	-
Robbery.....	10	.9	10	1.0	0	.0	0	-
Other.....	109	10.2	104	10.4	5	6.9	0	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

TABLE 59  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Total		Race/ethnic group of arrestee									
			White (not Hispanic)		Hispanic		Black		All other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	347	100.0	272	100.0	414	100.0	34	100.0	6	100.0
Murder.....	462	43.1	173	49.9	111	40.8	159	38.4	16	-	3	-
Manslaughter.....	431	40.2	108	31.1	110	40.4	200	48.3	10	-	3	-
Other.....	180	16.8	66	19.0	51	18.8	55	13.3	8	-	0	-
Assault.....	61	5.7	21	6.1	15	5.5	19	4.6	6	-	0	-
Robbery.....	10	.9	1	.3	3	1.1	6	1.4	0	-	0	-
Other.....	109	10.2	44	12.7	33	12.1	30	7.2	2	-	0	-

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

TABLE 60  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Age of Arrestee by Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Total		Age of arrestee											
			Under 20		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	91	100.0	295	100.0	252	100.0	163	100.0	110	100.0	162	100.0
Murder.....	462	43.1	40	44.0	128	43.4	120	47.6	71	43.6	39	35.5	64	39.5
Manslaughter.....	431	40.2	37	40.7	112	38.0	89	35.3	62	38.0	53	48.2	78	48.1
Other.....	180	16.8	14	15.4	55	18.6	43	17.1	30	18.4	18	16.4	20	12.3
Assault.....	61	5.7	7	7.7	12	4.1	16	6.3	8	4.9	12	10.9	6	3.7
Robbery.....	10	.9	0	.0	2	.7	4	1.6	1	.6	1	.9	2	1.2
Other.....	109	10.2	7	7.7	41	13.9	23	9.1	21	12.9	5	4.5	12	7.4

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 or to subtotals because of rounding.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

TABLE 61  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense by Type of Sentence

Type of sentence	Total		Convicted offense			
			Murder		All other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	462	100.0	611	100.0
Prison or Youth Authority <sup>a</sup> ...	944	88.0	458	99.1	486	79.5
All other .....	129	12.0	4	.9	125	20.5

<sup>a</sup>Prison includes 34 death penalty sentences of adults arrested for murder.

Notes: These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

Source: Table 62.



TABLE 62  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense by Type of Sentence

Type of sentence	Total		Convicted offense									
			Murder		Manslaughter		Robbery		Assault		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	1,073	100.0	462	100.0	431	100.0	10	100.0	61	100.0	109	100.0
Prison <sup>a</sup> .....	938	87.4	455	98.5	372	86.3	9	-	40	65.6	62	56.9
Youth Authority .....	6	.6	3	.6	3	.7	0	-	0	.0	0	.0
Probation.....	19	1.8	2	.4	8	1.9	0	-	2	3.3	7	6.4
Probation with jail.....	101	9.4	1	.2	46	10.7	1	-	15	24.6	38	34.9
Jail.....	8	.7	0	.0	2	.5	0	-	4	6.6	2	1.8
Fine.....	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0	0	-	0	.0	0	.0
California Rehabilitation Center .....	1	.1	1	.2	0	.0	0	-	0	.0	0	.0

<sup>a</sup>Prison includes 34 death penalty sentences of adults arrested for murder.

Notes: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Annual data include dispositions processed through April of the following year and selected for the report file.

These convicted offense data include both felonies and misdemeanors.

TABLE 63  
PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-1988

Year	Initial sentences	Resentences	Removals <sup>a</sup>	Persons under sentence of death <sup>b</sup>
1988 <sup>c</sup> .....	34	3	15	223
1987 <sup>d</sup> .....	25	4	6	203
1986.....	21	5	6	179
1985.....	16	2	20	159
1984.....	27	2	11	161
1983 <sup>e</sup> .....	35	2	5	143
1982.....	39	0	6	113
1981.....	39	1	2	80
1980.....	23	1	7	42
1979.....	20	0	2	25
1978.....	7	0	0	7

<sup>a</sup>Persons no longer under sentence of death because of sentence reversals, natural deaths, suicides, etc.

<sup>b</sup>Total persons under sentence of death on December 31 of each year. Persons with death sentences from more than one county are counted once.

<sup>c</sup>In 1988, two persons received death sentences from more than one county.

<sup>d</sup>In 1987, although six death sentences were reversed, only five persons were no longer under sentence of death. The sixth person had an additional death sentence from another county.

<sup>e</sup>In 1983, two persons already under sentence of death received additional death sentences. Thirty-five initial sentences were imposed with 33 new persons being sentenced.

Source: California Appellate Project.

TABLE 64  
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1988  
Precipitating Event

Precipitating event	
TOTAL.....	9
Pursuit of fleeing felon.....	5
SWAT operation.....	1
Serving search warrant.....	1
Undercover narcotics operation.....	2

TABLE 65  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1988  
Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	101	100.0
Sex		
Male.....	100	99.0
Female.....	1	1.0
Race/ethnic group		
White (not Hispanic).....	33	32.7
Hispanic.....	34	33.7
Black.....	26	25.7
All other.....	8	7.9
Age		
Under 15.....	2	2.0
15-19.....	11	10.9
20-24.....	17	16.8
25-29.....	20	19.8
30-34.....	16	15.8
35-39.....	10	9.9
40-44.....	12	11.9
45-49.....	2	2.0
50-54.....	1	1.0
55-59.....	4	4.0
60-64.....	1	1.0
65-69.....	1	1.0
70 and over.....	2	2.0
Unknown.....	2	2.0
Age		
Under 20.....	13	13.1
20-29.....	37	37.4
30-39.....	26	26.3
40 and over.....	23	23.2

Notes: The age group distribution in the lower portion of this table excludes 2 victims for whom age was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 66  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1988  
Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	101	100.0
Victim's residence.....	21	20.8
Other residence .....	6	5.9
Bar.....	1	1.0
Other business.....	3	3.0
Parking lot.....	2	2.0
Vehicle .....	5	5.0
Street, sidewalk.....	56	55.4
Field, park .....	3	3.0
Other.....	4	4.0
Victim's residence.....	21	20.8
Other residence .....	6	5.9
Street, sidewalk.....	56	55.4
Commercial establishment <sup>a</sup> ..	4	4.0
All other .....	14	13.9

<sup>a</sup>Includes "bar" and "other business" (grocery stores, retail outlets, etc.).

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 67  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1988  
Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL .....	101	100.0
Handgun .....	80	79.2
Rifle.....	2	2.0
Shotgun.....	12	11.9
Firearm unknown.....	4	4.0
Blunt object <sup>a</sup> .....	1	1.0
Personal weapon <sup>b</sup> ....	2	2.0

<sup>a</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

<sup>b</sup>Hands, fists, feet, etc.

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 68  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1988  
Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	101	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	55	54.5
Felon attacked another peace officer ...	2	2.0
Felon attacked citizen .....	8	7.9
Felon killed in commission of crime.....	22	21.8
Felon resisted arrest .....	11	10.9
Unknown .....	3	3.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	55	56.1
Felon killed in commission of crime.....	22	22.4
Felon resisted arrest .....	11	11.2
All other .....	10	10.2

Notes: The grouped distribution in the lower portion of this table excludes 3 victims for whom contributing circumstance was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 69  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988  
Sex, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Sex, race/ethnic group, and age	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	76	100.0
Sex		
Male .....	75	98.7
Female .....	1	1.3
Race/ethnic group		
White (not Hispanic).....	19	25.0
Hispanic.....	23	30.3
Black .....	34	44.7
All other.....	0	.0
Age		
Under 15.....	0	.0
15-19.....	5	6.6
20-24.....	15	19.7
25-29.....	15	19.7
30-34.....	16	21.1
35-39.....	10	13.2
40-44.....	4	5.3
45-49.....	5	6.6
50-54.....	2	2.6
55-59.....	1	1.3
60-64.....	0	.0
65-69.....	0	.0
70 and over.....	0	.0
Unknown.....	3	3.9
Age		
Under 20.....	5	6.8
20-29.....	30	41.1
30-39.....	26	35.6
40 and over.....	12	16.4

Notes: The age group distribution in the lower portion of this table excludes  
3 victims for whom age was unknown.  
Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 70  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988  
Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	76	100.0
Hotel, motel.....	1	1.3
Victim's residence.....	6	7.9
Citizen's residence .....	31	40.8
Shared residence.....	5	6.6
Other residence .....	3	3.9
Liquor store.....	1	1.3
Other business.....	7	9.2
Parking lot.....	2	2.6
Vehicle .....	3	3.9
Street, sidewalk.....	16	21.1
Other.....	1	1.3
Citizen's residence <sup>a</sup> .....	36	47.4
Other residence <sup>b</sup> .....	9	11.8
Street, sidewalk.....	16	21.1
Commercial establishment <sup>c</sup> ..	8	10.5
All other .....	7	9.2

<sup>a</sup>Includes "shared residence" (victim shared a residence with the citizen).

<sup>b</sup>Includes "victim's residence."

<sup>c</sup>Includes "liquor store" and "other business" (grocery stores, retail outlets, etc.).

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 71  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988  
Type of Weapon

Type of weapon	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	76	100.0
Handgun.....	46	60.5
Rifle.....	8	10.5
Shotgun .....	11	14.5
Firearm unknown.....	2	2.6
Knife.....	7	9.2
Blunt object <sup>a</sup> .....	1	1.3
All other .....	1	1.3

<sup>a</sup>Bludgeon, club, etc.

Note: Percents may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

TABLE 72  
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1988  
Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
TOTAL.....	76	100.0
Felon attacked citizen .....	27	35.5
Felon attacked peace officer.....	1	1.3
Felon killed in commission of crime.....	48	63.2

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