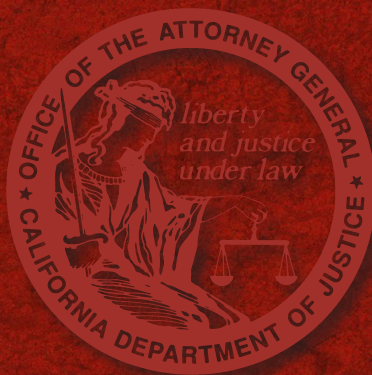


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Executive Summary

Homicide in California, 2009 contains information about the crime of homicide and its victims, as well as demographic data on persons arrested for homicide. Information about the death penalty, the number of peace officers killed in the line of duty, and justifiable homicide is also included. This report provides data for 2009 and prior years.

The California Department of Justice (DOJ) is responsible for reporting annual statistics on homicide as mandated by Penal Code section 13014. Information displayed in this report is extracted from several databases maintained by the DOJ. The primary source of information is the Homicide File, which captures willful and justifiable homicide crime data. Other databases capture information about persons arrested for homicide, death penalty sentences, and peace officers killed in the line of duty.

The type of data collected, and the methods used to collect these data, differ for each data set. Unless otherwise indicated, all calculations are based on the number of known victims.

Homicide Crimes

The Homicide Crimes section (pages 1–22) provides data on homicide crimes reported to law enforcement.

- From 2008 to 2009, the rate of homicide crimes per 100,000 population decreased 8.9 percent (5.6 to 5.1). Comparing 2000 to 2009, the homicide crime rate decreased 15.0 percent (6.0 to 5.1).
- From 2000 to 2009, the homicide rate per 100,000 population ranged from a high of 6.8 in 2002 and 2005 to this year's low of 5.1. The homicide crime rate has not been this low in more than 40 years.
- A greater percentage of white victims were female than were Hispanic or black victims. White victims tended to be older, while Hispanic and black victims tended to be younger.
- Females were more likely to be killed in their residence, while males were more likely to be killed on streets or sidewalks.
- In 2009, where the victim-offender relationship was known, the majority of the victims were killed by friends or acquaintances.
- Firearms were used in 70.5 percent of homicides in 2009.
- Of the 35 counties for which 2009 homicide rates were calculated, Monterey County experienced the highest homicide rate per 100,000 population (11.8); Napa County experienced the lowest (0.7).
- In 2009, the average daily number of homicides was highest on weekends (6.9 vs. 4.8).
- In 2009, where the contributing circumstance was known, 35.0 percent of homicides were the result of an argument and 39.0 percent were gang-related.
- From 2000 to 2009, the number of gang-related homicides increased 9.5 percent.

Homicide Arrests

The Homicide Arrests section (pages 25–29) provides data on arrests made by law enforcement personnel.

- From 2008 to 2009, the rate of homicide arrests per 100,000 population at risk decreased 3.2 percent (6.2 to 6.0). Comparing 2000 to 2009, the homicide arrest rate decreased 3.2 percent (6.2 to 6.0).
- From 2000 to 2009, the overwhelming majority of homicide arrestees and victims were male.
- From 2000 to 2009, the largest percentage of homicide arrestees and victims were Hispanic.
- From 2000 to 2009, the largest percentage of homicide arrestees and victims were aged 18–29.

Death Penalty Sentences

The Death Penalty Sentences section (page 33) provides information about persons sentenced to death in California in 2009.

- By the end of 2009, there were 681 persons under sentence of death in California. Of these, 29 were sentenced in 2009.

Peace Officers Killed in the Line of Duty

Information about peace officers killed in the line of duty (pages 37–38) is obtained from the Homicide File.

- In 2009, four peace officers were feloniously killed in the line of duty.

- Between 2000 and 2009, 43 peace officers were killed in the line of duty.

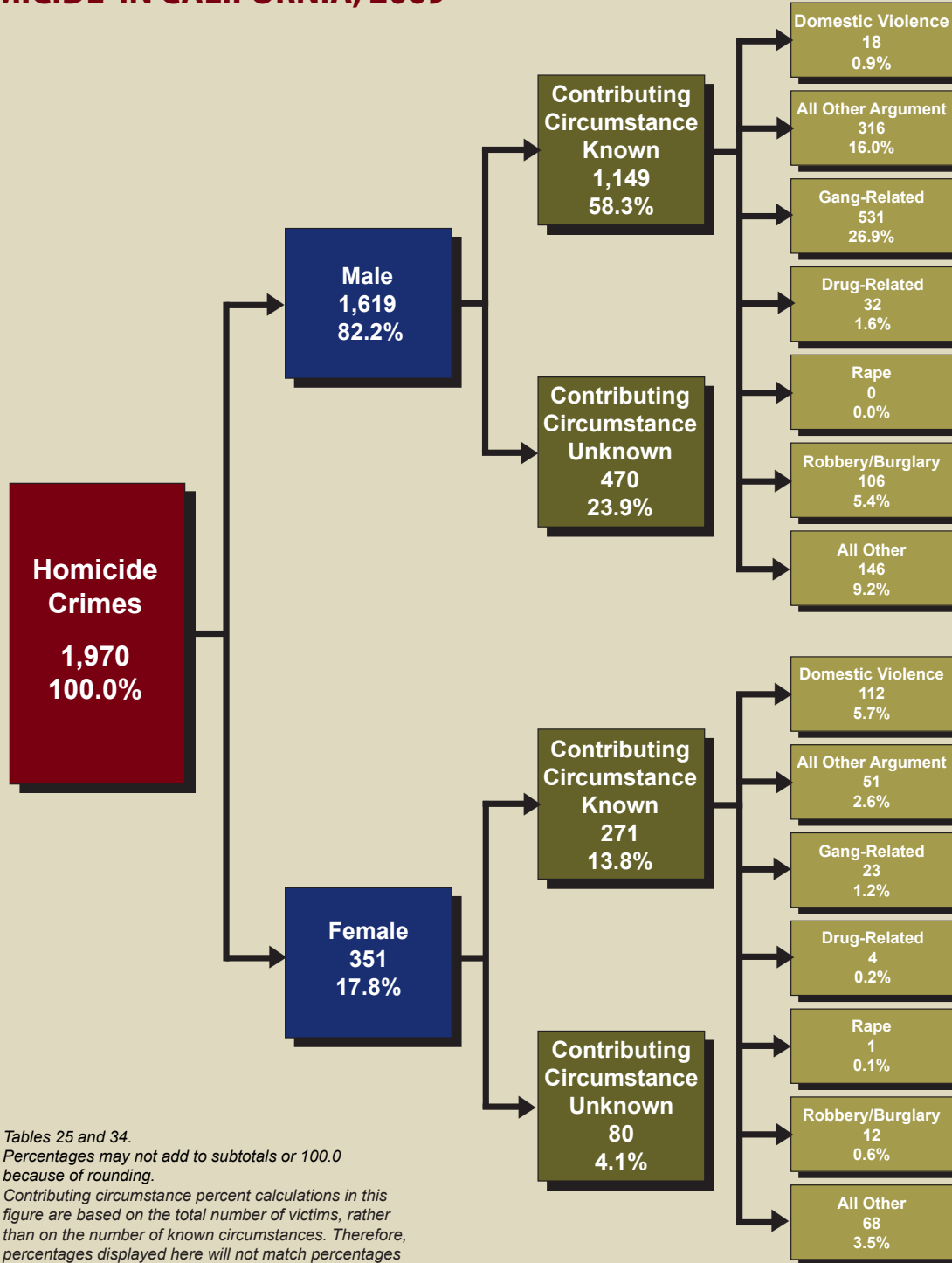
Justifiable Homicides

Information about justifiable homicides by a private citizen or peace officer (pages 41–44) is obtained from the Homicide File.

- In 2009, justifiable homicides by peace officers were most often the result of a felon attacking a peace officer (50.4 percent).

At-a-Glance

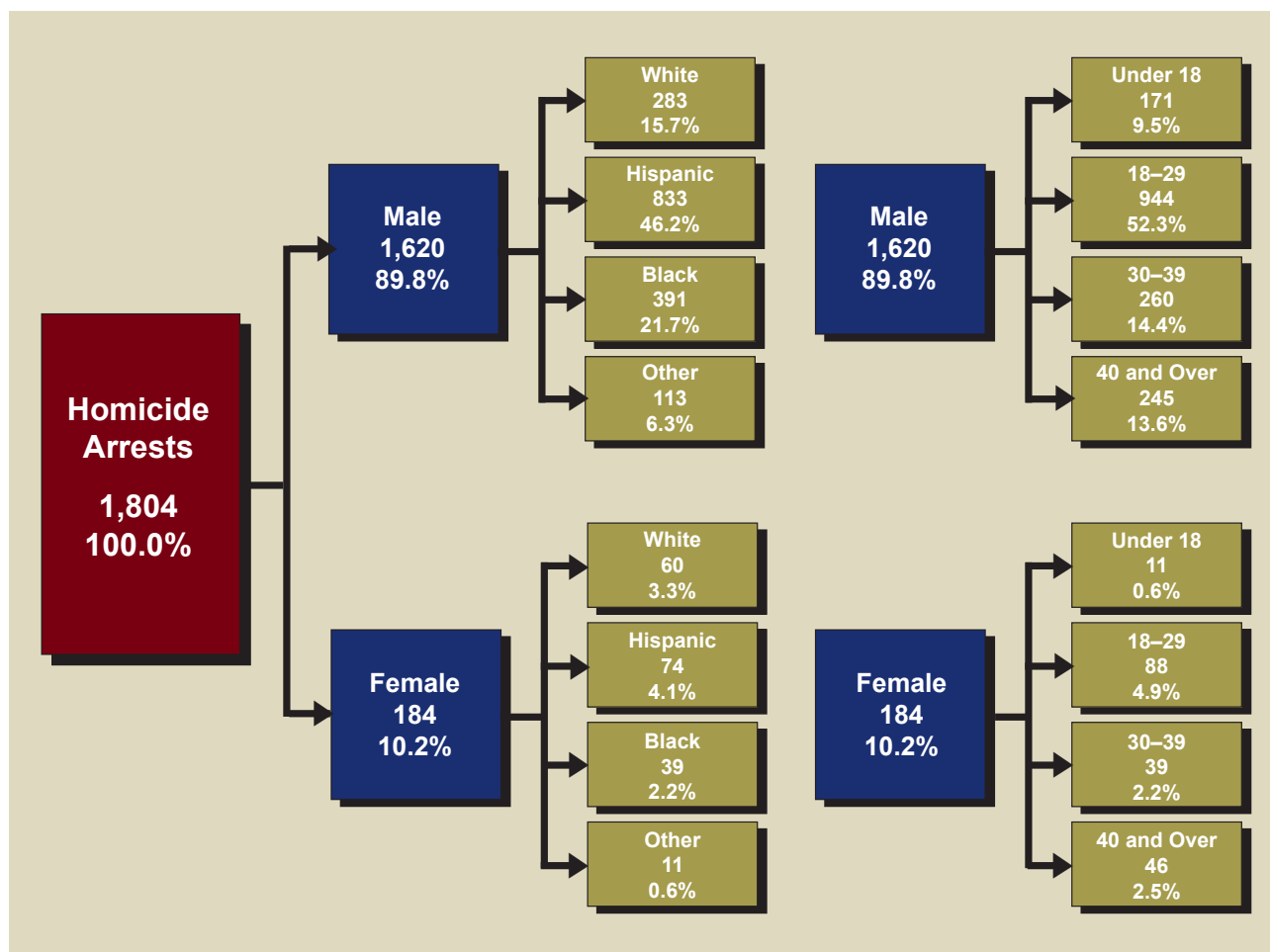
HOMICIDE IN CALIFORNIA, 2009



Source: Tables 25 and 34.

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Contributing circumstance percent calculations in this figure are based on the total number of victims, rather than on the number of known circumstances. Therefore, percentages displayed here will not match percentages displayed elsewhere in this report.



Homicide Crimes

The homicide category comprises murder and nonnegligent manslaughter. Attempted murder, justifiable homicide, manslaughter by negligence, and suicide are excluded.

Contributing Circumstances

Contributing circumstance, when known, is reported by law enforcement agencies on the supplemental homicide report. In 2009, there were 550 homicides in which the contributing

circumstance was unknown. Of this number, 470 involved male victims and 80 involved female victims.

Homicide Arrests

All California law enforcement agencies report arrest information to the DOJ on the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register (MACR). Data submitted include age, gender, and race/ethnic group, and specify the most serious arrest offense and law enforcement disposition.

Homicide in California

Homicide Crimes

Homicide Crimes

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year	Number	Rate
2009	1,970	5.1
2008	2,143	5.6
2007	2,258	6.0
2006	2,483	6.6
2005	2,503	6.8
2004	2,394	6.5
2003	2,402	6.7
2002	2,392	6.8
2001	2,201	6.3
2000	2,074	6.0

Source: Table 1.

Homicide is defined by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as the "willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another." The homicide category comprises murder and nonnegligent manslaughter. Attempted murder, justifiable homicide, manslaughter by negligence, and suicide are excluded.

From 2008 to 2009:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 8.9 percent (5.6 to 5.1).
- The number of homicides decreased 8.0 percent (from 2,143 to 1,970).

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

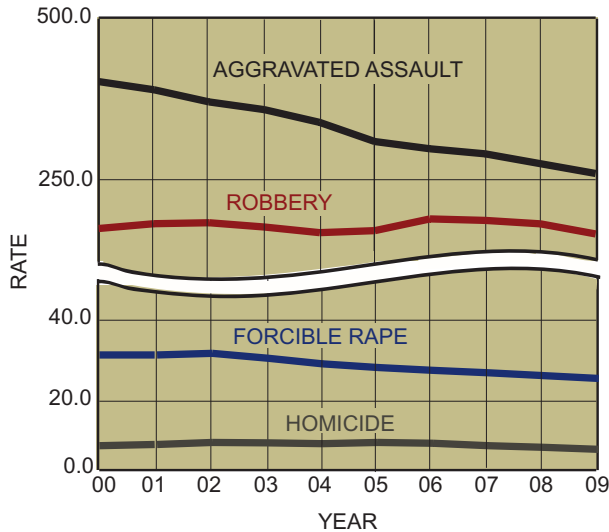
- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 15.0 percent (6.0 to 5.1).
- The number of homicides decreased 5.0 percent (from 2,074 to 1,970).

From 2000 to 2009:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population ranged from a high of 6.8 in 2002 and 2005 to this year's low of 5.1.

Violent Crimes

Violent Crimes, 2000–2009
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 1.

There are four offenses classified as violent crimes by the FBI: *homicide*, *forcible rape*, *robbery*, and *aggravated assault*. For comparison, changes in the rates of the four offenses follow:

From 2008 to 2009:

- Homicide decreased 8.9 percent (5.6 to 5.1).
- Forcible rape decreased 3.0 percent (23.3 to 22.6).
- Robbery decreased 8.6 percent (181.9 to 166.3).
- Aggravated assault decreased 5.5 percent (274.7 to 259.6).

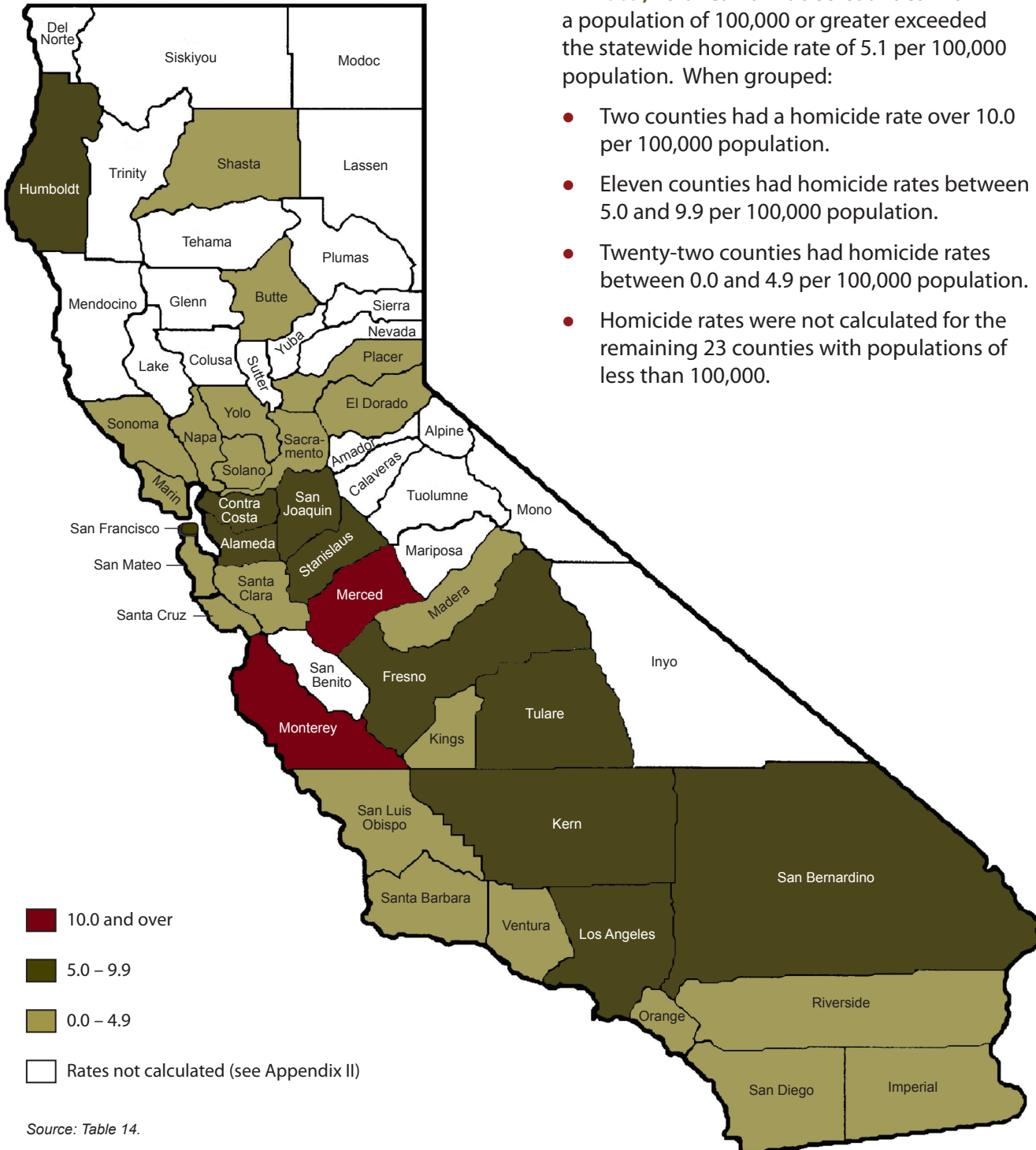
Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- Homicide decreased 15.0 percent (6.0 to 5.1).
- Forcible rape decreased 20.4 percent (28.4 to 22.6).
- Robbery decreased 4.8 percent (174.7 to 166.3).
- Aggravated assault decreased 35.3 percent (401.4 to 259.6).

Homicide Rate by County

Homicide Crimes, 2009

County by Rate per 100,000 Population



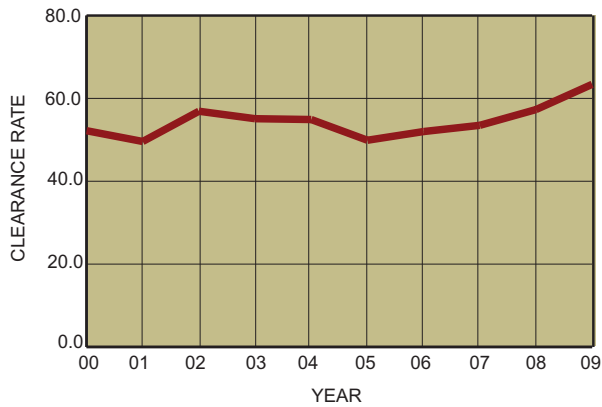
In 2009, 13 of California’s 35 counties with a population of 100,000 or greater exceeded the statewide homicide rate of 5.1 per 100,000 population. When grouped:

- Two counties had a homicide rate over 10.0 per 100,000 population.
- Eleven counties had homicide rates between 5.0 and 9.9 per 100,000 population.
- Twenty-two counties had homicide rates between 0.0 and 4.9 per 100,000 population.
- Homicide rates were not calculated for the remaining 23 counties with populations of less than 100,000.

Source: Table 14.

Clearance Rates

Homicide Crimes Cleared, 2000–2009
Clearance Rate



Source: Table 28.

Note: A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes (homicides) reported that have been cleared by law enforcement. See Appendix II – Computational Formulas and Appendix III – Glossary for further information.

From 2008 to 2009:

- Homicide clearance rates increased from 57.3 to 63.4.

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- Homicide clearance rates increased from 52.2 to 63.4.

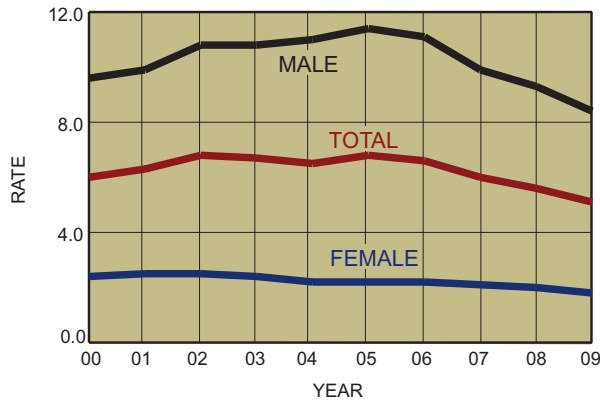
From 2000 to 2009:

- Clearance rates ranged from this year's high of 63.4 to a low of 49.6 in 2001.

Homicide Victims

Personal Characteristics of the Victim

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
By Gender of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 2.

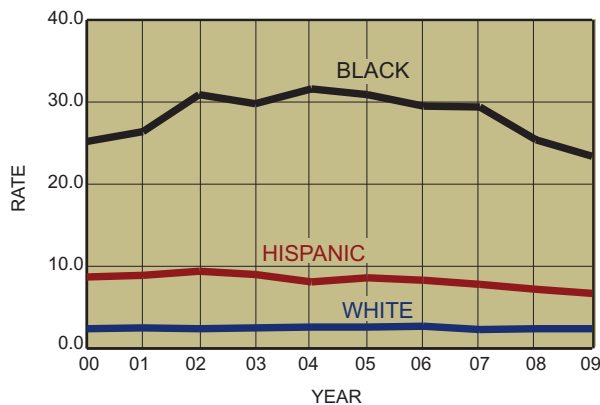
In 2009:

- The total homicide rate was 5.1 per 100,000 population.
- The male homicide rate was more than four times that of the female homicide rate (8.4 vs. 1.8).

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- The male homicide rate decreased 12.5 percent.
- The female homicide rate decreased 25.0 percent.

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 3.

In 2009:

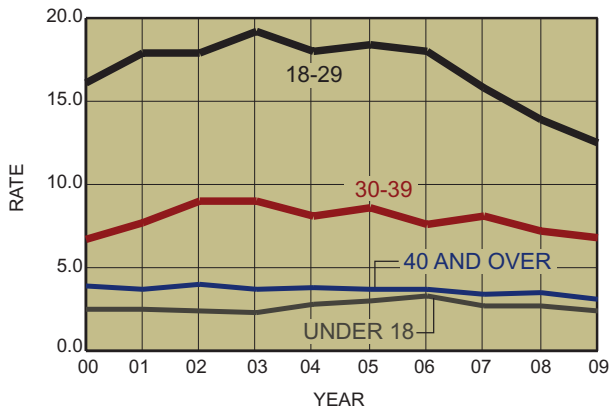
- The black homicide rate was more than nine times that of whites and more than three times that of Hispanics (23.4 vs. 2.4 and 6.4, respectively).

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- The white homicide rate showed no change.
- The Hispanic homicide rate decreased 26.4 percent.
- The black homicide rate decreased 7.1 percent.

Personal Characteristics of the Victim (continued)

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
By Age of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 4.

In 2009:

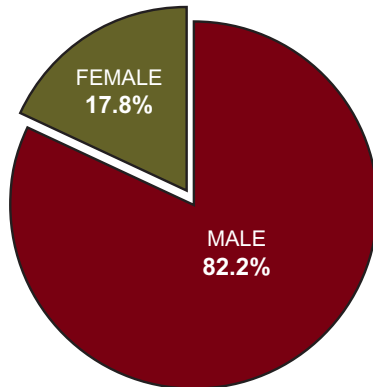
- Persons aged 18–29 had the highest homicide victimization rate (12.5 per 100,000 population).

Comparing 2000 to 2009, the homicide rate:

- Decreased 4.0 percent for victims under age 18.
- Decreased 22.4 percent for victims aged 18–29.
- Increased 1.5 percent for victims aged 30–39.
- Decreased 20.5 percent for victims aged 40 and over.

Personal Characteristics of the Victim (continued)

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Gender of Victim

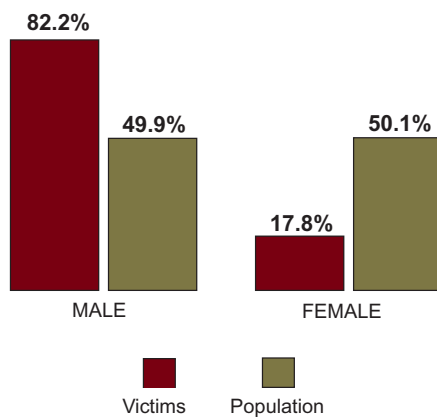


Source: Table 5.

In 2009, there were 1,970 victims of homicide. Of these:

- Males represented 82.2 percent (1,619) of total homicide victims; they comprised 49.9 percent of the population.
- Females represented 17.8 percent (351) of total homicide victims; they comprised 50.1 percent of the population.

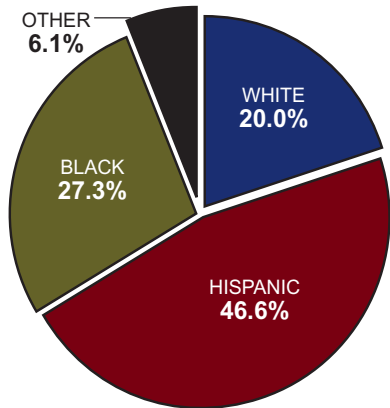
Homicide Crimes, 2009
Gender of Victim by Percent of Total Victims
and Percent of Population



Source: Tables 2 and 5.

Personal Characteristics of the Victim *(continued)*

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

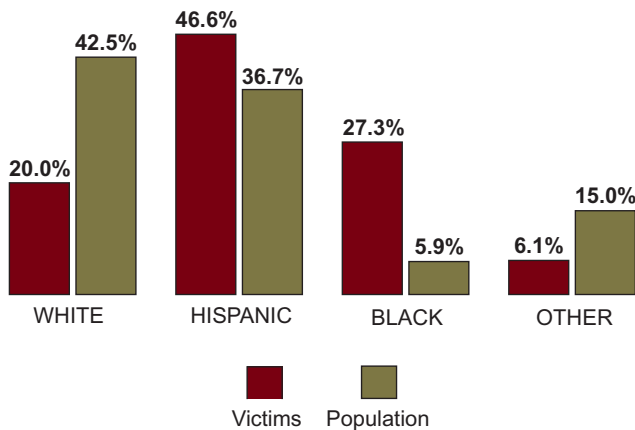


Source: Table 6.

In 2009, the race/ethnicity of the homicide victim was reported in 1,959 cases. Of these:

- Whites represented 20.0 percent (392) of the homicide victims; they comprised 42.5 percent of the population.
- Hispanics represented 46.6 percent (913) of the homicide victims; they comprised 36.7 percent of the population.
- Blacks represented 27.3 percent (534) of the homicide victims; they comprised 5.9 percent of the population.
- The “other” race/ethnic group category represented 6.1 percent (120) of the homicide victims; they comprised 15.0 percent of the population.

Homicide Crimes, 2009
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Percent of Total Victims and Percent of Population

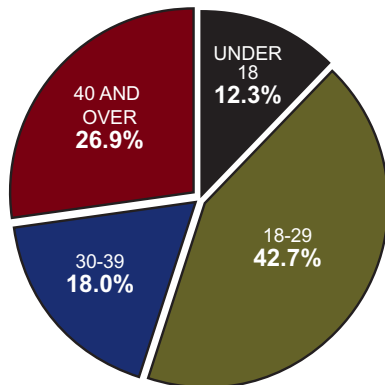


Source: Tables 3 and 6.

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Personal Characteristics of the Victim *(continued)*

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Age of Victim

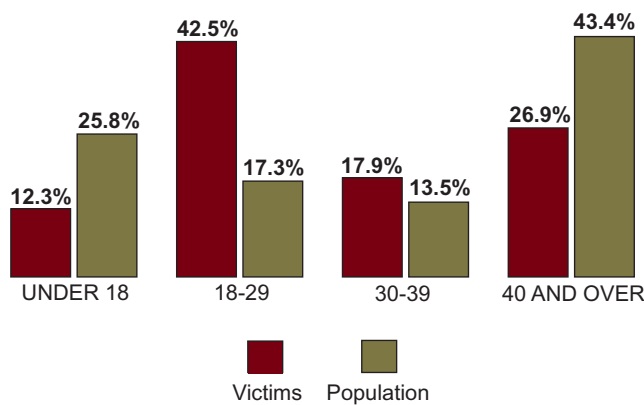


Source: Table 7.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009, the age of the homicide victim was reported in 1,961 cases. Of these:

- 12.3 percent (242) of the homicide victims were under age 18; this age group comprised 25.8 percent of the population.
- 42.7 percent (838) of the homicide victims were aged 18–29; this age group comprised 17.3 percent of the population.
- 18.0 percent (353) of the homicide victims were aged 30–39; this age group comprised 13.5 percent of the population.
- 26.9 percent (528) of the homicide victims were aged 40 and over; this age group comprised 43.4 percent of the population.

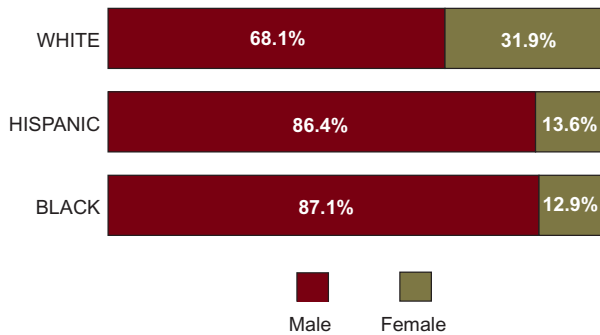
Homicide Crimes, 2009
Age of Victim by Percent of Total Victims
and Percent of Population



Source: Tables 4 and 7.
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Personal Characteristics of the Victim *(continued)*

Homicide Crimes, 2009
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
By Gender of Victim

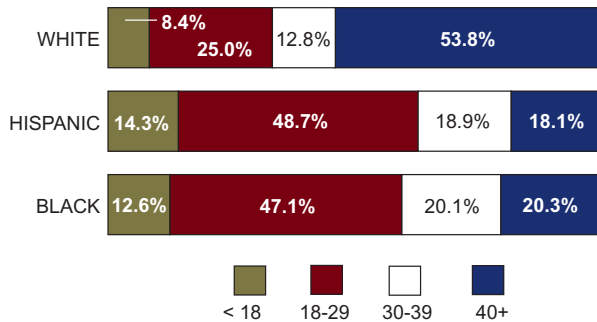


Source: Table 8.

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of white victims were female than were either Hispanic or black victims (31.9 vs. 13.6 and 12.9 percent, respectively).

Homicide Crimes, 2009
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
By Age of Victim



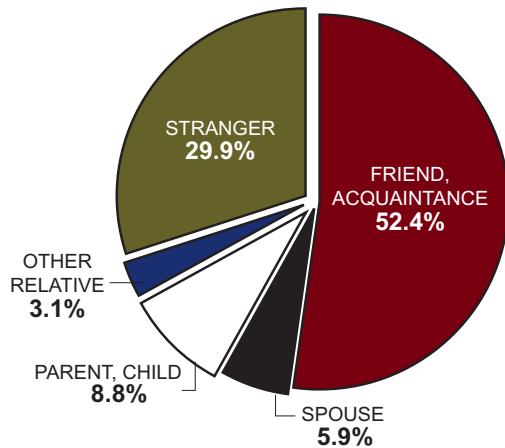
Source: Table 9.
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In 2009:

- A greater percentage of Hispanic and black victims were aged 18–29 than were white victims (48.7 and 47.1 vs. 25.0 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of white victims were aged 40 and over than were either Hispanic or black victims (53.8 vs. 18.1 and 20.3 percent, respectively).

Relationship of the Victim to the Offender

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Relationship of Victim to Offender

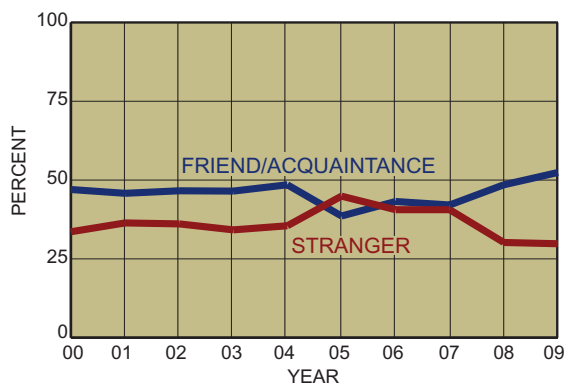


Source: Table 11.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009, the relationship of the homicide victim to the offender was reported in 1,092 cases. Of these:

- 52.4 percent (572) of victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders.
- 5.9 percent (64) of victims were spouses of offenders.
- 8.8 percent (96) of victims were parents or children of offenders.
- 3.1 percent (34) of victims were classified as "other relative" of the offender.
- 29.9 percent (326) of victims were strangers to offenders.

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
By Selected Relationships of Victims to Offenders



Source: Table 11.

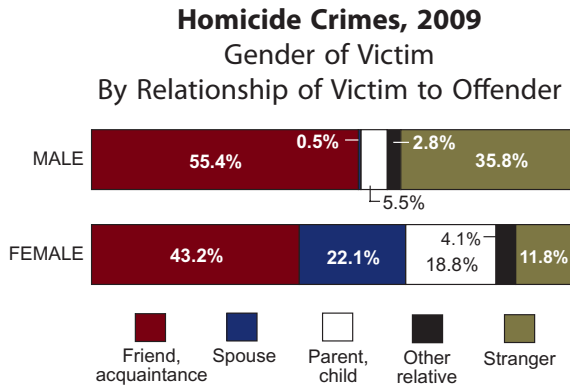
Comparing 2008 to 2009:

- The proportion of homicides in which victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders increased from 48.5 percent to 52.4 percent.

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- The proportion of homicides in which victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders increased from 47.0 percent to 52.4 percent.
- The proportion of homicides in which victims were strangers to the offenders decreased from 33.6 percent to 29.9 percent.

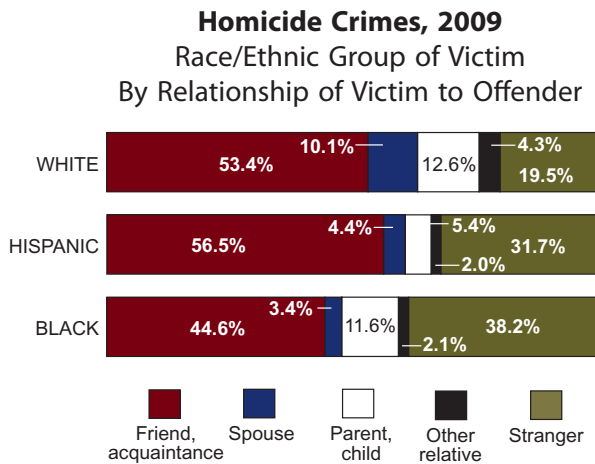
Relationship of the Victim to the Offender (continued)



Source: Table 12.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of female victims were spouses of offenders (22.1 percent) than were male victims (0.5 percent).

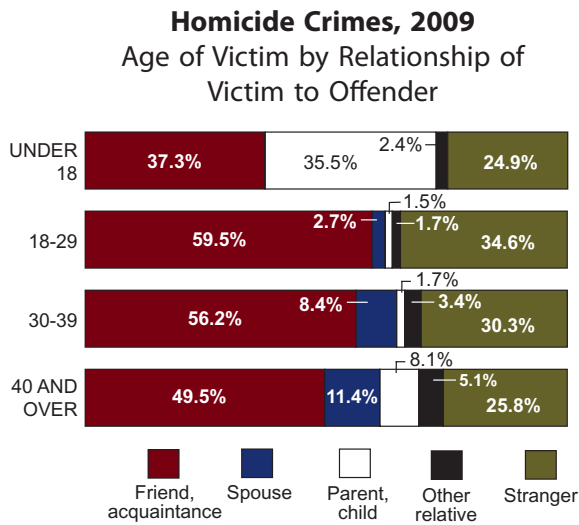


Source: Table 12.
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In 2009:

- A greater percentage of Hispanic and black victims were strangers to offenders than were white victims (31.7 and 38.2 vs. 19.5 percent, respectively).

Relationship of the Victim to the Offender (continued)



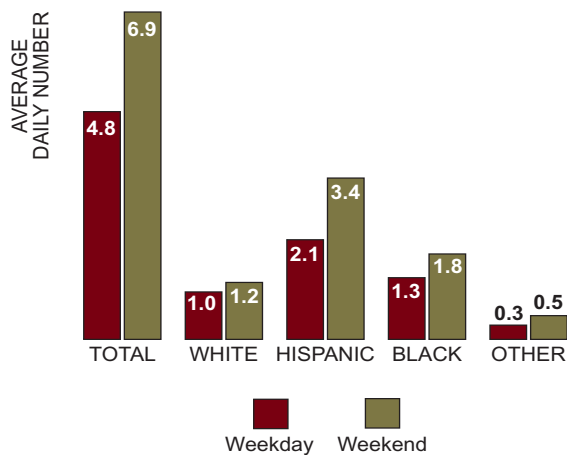
In 2009:

- Over half of the victims aged 18–29 and aged 30–39 were friends or acquaintances of the offenders (59.5 and 56.2 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of victims aged 40 and over were spouses of the offenders (11.4 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Source: Table 13.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Elements of the Homicide Day of Incident

Homicide Crimes, 2009
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by
Average Daily Number of Incidents on
Weekdays and Weekends

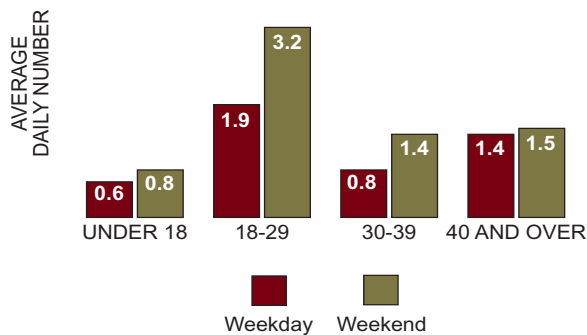


Source: Table 16.

In 2009, when homicides were examined by day of incident, it was found that:

- An average of 4.8 homicide victims were killed each weekday and 6.9 homicide victims were killed each weekend day.
- Hispanic victims had the highest average daily number of incidents on both weekdays and weekends (2.1 and 3.4, respectively) of any race/ethnic group shown.
- Victims aged 18–29 had the highest average daily number of incidents on both weekdays and weekends (1.9 and 3.2, respectively) of any age group shown.

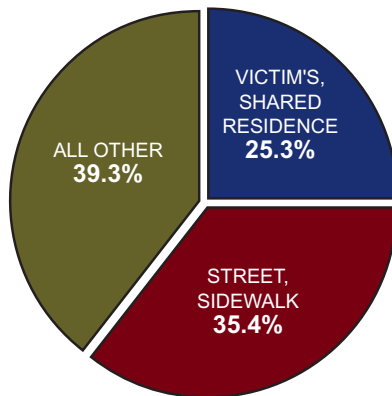
Homicide Crimes, 2009
Age of Victim by Average Daily Number
of Incidents on Weekdays and Weekends



Source: Table 17.

Location

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Location of Homicide

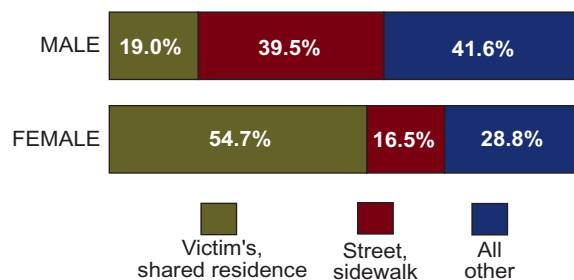


Source: Table 19.

In 2009, the location of the homicide was reported in 1,879 cases. Of these:

- 25.3 percent (475) of victims were killed at their places of residence.
- 35.4 percent (665) of homicides occurred on streets or sidewalks.
- 39.3 percent (739) of homicides occurred in locations grouped in the "all other" category.

Homicide Crimes, 2009
Gender of Victim
by Location of Homicide



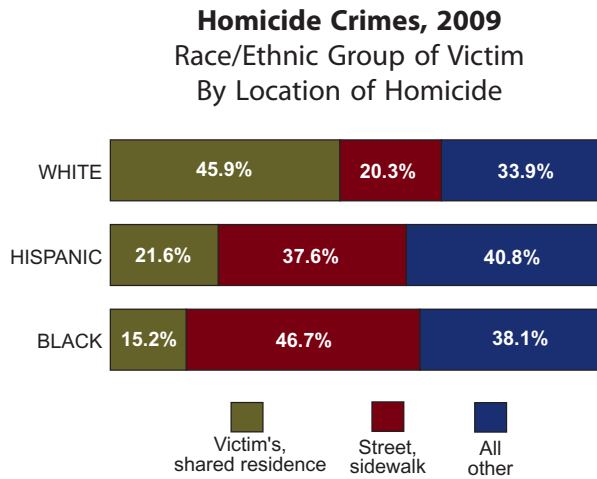
Source: Table 19.

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

In 2009:

- The greatest percentage of males (39.5 percent) were killed on streets or sidewalks.
- The majority of females (54.7 percent) were killed at their places of residence.

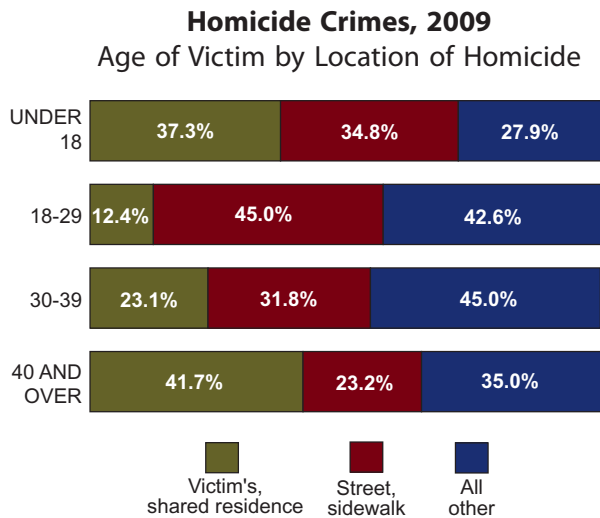
Location (continued)



Source: Table 19.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of whites than Hispanics or blacks were killed at their places of residence (45.9 vs. 21.6 and 15.2 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of Hispanics and blacks were killed on streets or sidewalks than were whites (37.6 and 46.7 vs. 20.3 percent, respectively).



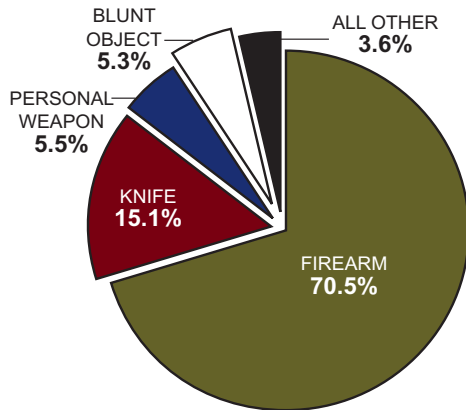
Source: Table 20.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of victims aged 18–29 were killed on streets or sidewalks (45.0 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- A greater percentage of victims aged 40 and over were killed at their places of residence (41.7 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Weapon

Homicide Crimes, 2009
By Type of Weapon Used

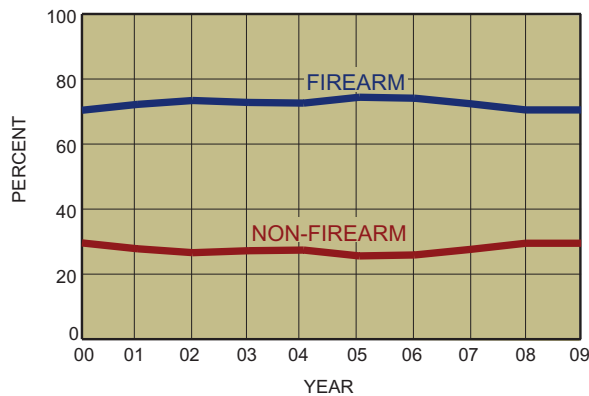


Source: Table 21.

In 2009, the type of weapon used in the homicide was reported in 1,928 cases. Of these:

- 70.5 percent (1,359) involved firearms.
- 15.1 percent (291) involved knives.
- 5.5 percent (107) involved the use of personal weapons (hands, feet, etc.).
- 5.3 percent (102) involved blunt objects (clubs, etc.).
- 3.6 percent (69) involved weapons grouped in the “all other” category (rope, drugs, etc.).

Homicide Crimes, 2000–2009
By Selected Types of Weapons Used

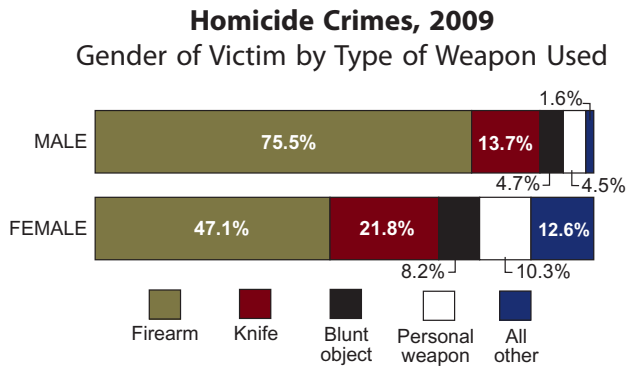


Source: Table 21.

From 2000 to 2009:

- Firearms were consistently used in over 70 percent of homicides.

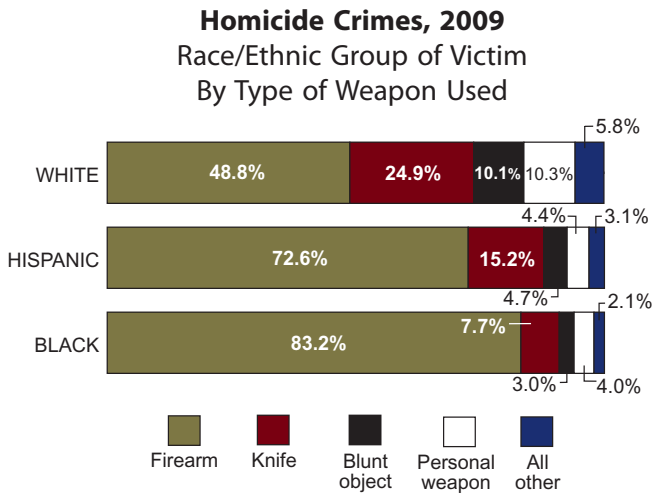
Weapon (continued)



Source: Table 22.

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of males (75.5 percent) were killed with firearms than were females (47.1 percent).



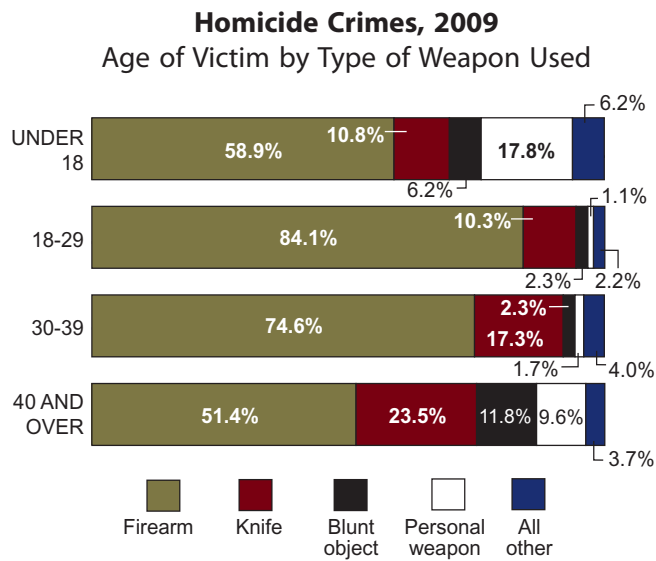
Source: Table 22.

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

In 2009:

- A greater percentage of Hispanics and blacks were killed with firearms than were whites (72.6 and 83.2 vs. 48.8 percent, respectively).

Weapon (continued)



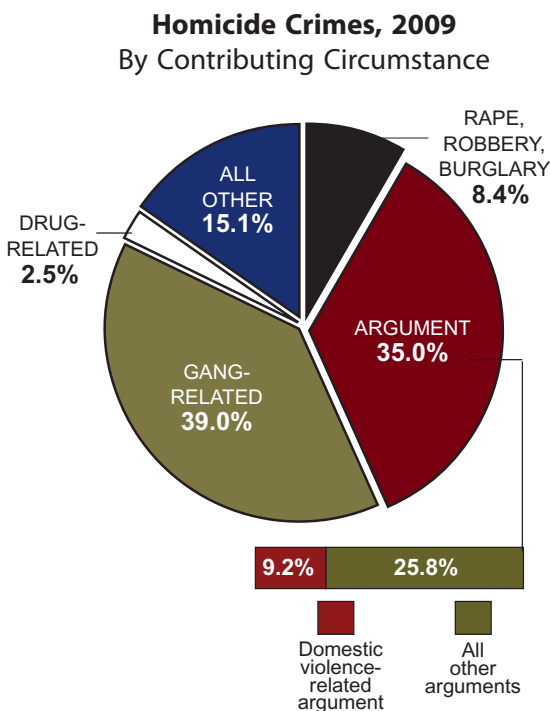
In 2009:

- The majority of victims, regardless of age group, were killed with firearms.
- A greater percentage of victims aged 40 and over were killed with non-firearms (48.6 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Source: Table 23.

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

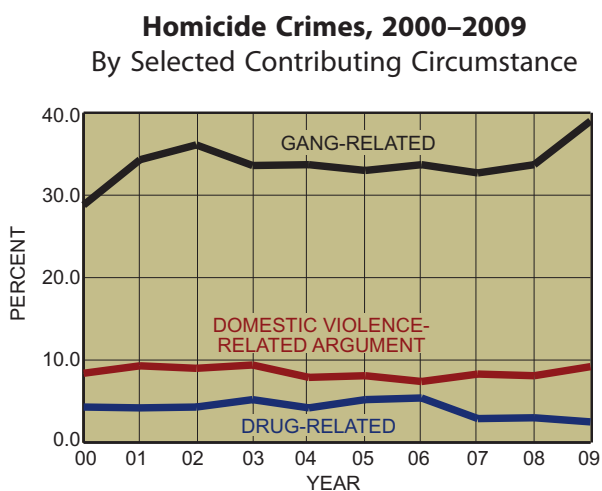
Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 24.

In 2009, the contributing circumstance was reported in 1,420 homicide cases. Of these:

- 8.4 percent (119) occurred as a result of a rape, robbery, or burglary.
- 35.0 percent (497) occurred as a result of an argument.
 - 9.2 percent (130) occurred as a result of a domestic violence-related argument.
 - 25.8 percent (367) occurred as a result of all other types of arguments.
- 39.0 percent (554) were gang-related.
- 2.5 percent (36) were drug-related.
- 15.1 percent (214) occurred as a result of “all other” contributing circumstances.



Source: Table 24.

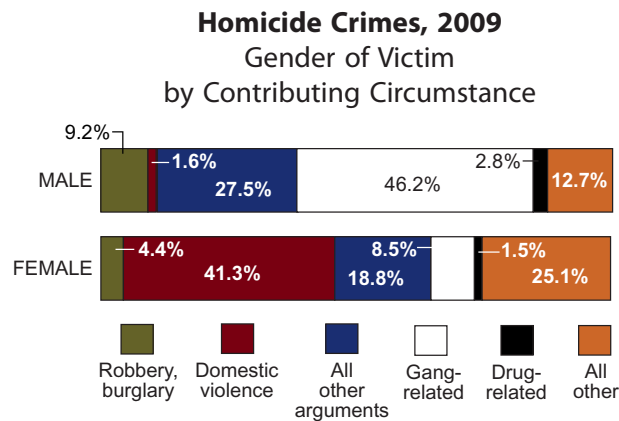
From 2008 to 2009:

- The number of gang-related homicides increased 18.1 percent.

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- The percentage of gang-related homicides increased from 28.8 percent to 39.0 percent.
- The percentage of domestic violence-related homicides increased from 8.4 percent to 9.2 percent.
- The percentage of drug-related homicides decreased from 4.3 percent to 2.5 percent.

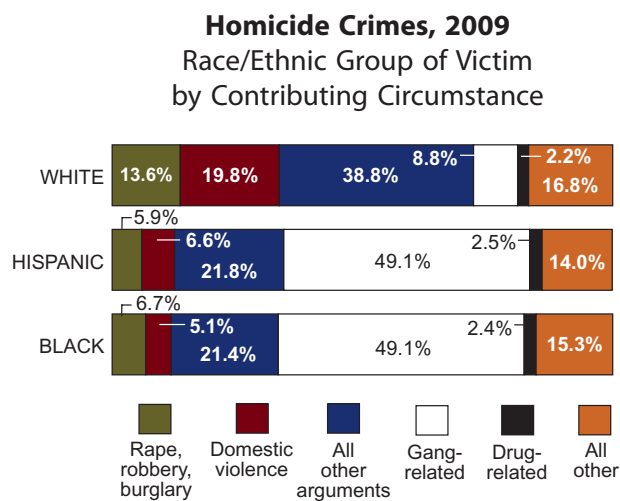
Contributing Circumstance *(continued)*



Source: Table 25.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- Males were victims of gang-related homicides more than any other contributing circumstance (46.2 percent).
- Females were victims of domestic violence-related homicides more than any other contributing circumstance (41.3 percent).

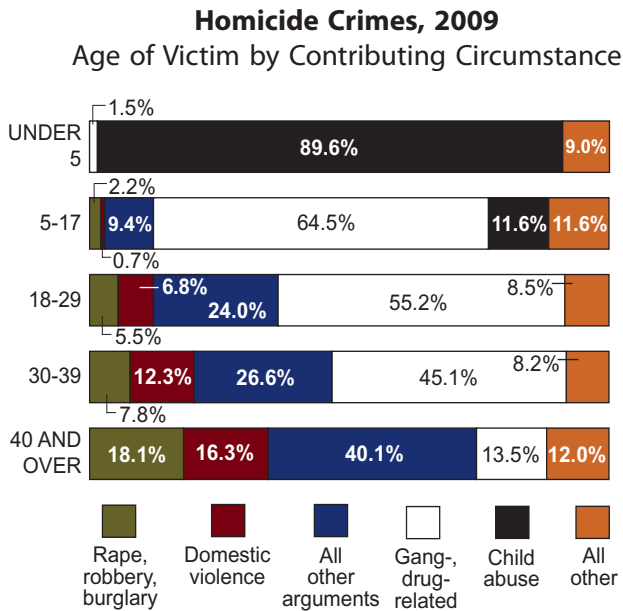


Source: Table 25.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- The proportion of gang-related homicides was much greater for Hispanics and blacks than for whites (49.1 and 49.1 vs. 8.8 percent, respectively).

Contributing Circumstance *(continued)*



Source: Table 26.

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

In 2009, where the contributing circumstance was known:

- The majority of homicide victims under age 5 were killed as a result of child abuse (89.6 percent).
- The greatest percentage of homicide victims aged 5–17 (64.5 percent), aged 18–29 (55.2 percent), and aged 30–39 (45.1 percent) were killed as a result of gang- or drug-related activities.
- The greatest percentage of homicide victims aged 40 and over (40.1 percent) were killed as a result of an argument.

Homicide in California

Homicide Arrests

Homicide Arrests

Homicide Arrests, 2000–2009
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk

Year	Number	Rate
2009	1,804	6.0
2008	1,850	6.2
2007	2,017	6.8
2006	1,967	6.7
2005	1,956	6.8
2004	1,978	7.0
2003	1,839	6.6
2002	1,864	6.8
2001	1,754	6.6
2000	1,627	6.2

Source: Table 29.

Unlike crimes, which are classified by nationwide Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standards, arrests are reported by the statutory definition of the offense. This may cause some differences in the definitions of certain crimes and the reporting of the arrests for those crimes. For instance, the California definition of a homicide arrest includes murder and *nonvehicular* manslaughter. The federal definition of a homicide crime includes murder and *nonnegligent* (nonaccidental) manslaughter.

California law enforcement agencies report arrest and citation information to the DOJ on the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register. This file contains information about the age, gender, and race/ethnic group of the arrestee, and specifies the “most serious” arrest offense and law enforcement disposition.

From 2008 to 2009:

- The homicide arrest rate per 100,000 population at risk decreased 3.2 percent (6.2 to 6.0).

Comparing 2000 to 2009:

- The homicide arrest rate per 100,000 population at risk decreased 3.2 percent (6.2 to 6.0).

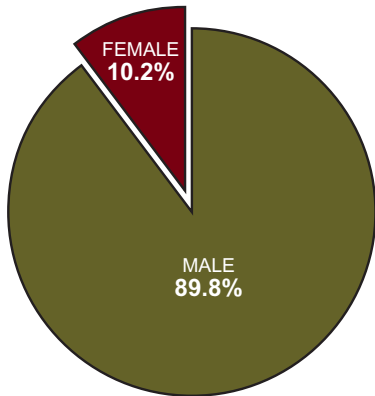
From 2000 to 2009:

- The homicide arrest rate ranged from a high of 7.0 in 2004 to this year's low of 6.0.

Note: The following penal codes for homicide arrest offenses were valid at the time of the closeout of the 2009 arrest offense code file: 128, 187(a), 189, 192(a), 192(b), 193(a), 193(b), 273ab, 399, and 12310(a).

Personal Characteristics of the Arrestee

Homicide Arrests, 2009
By Gender of Arrestee

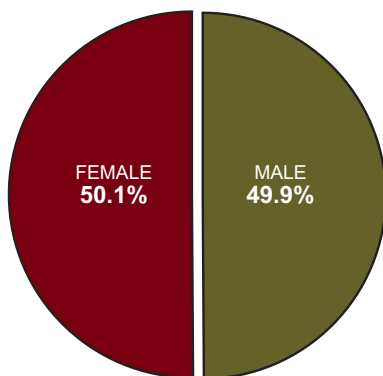


Source: Table 30.

In 2009, there were 1,804 individuals arrested for homicide. Of these:

- 89.8 percent (1,620) of arrestees were male.
- 10.2 percent (184) of arrestees were female.

Population in California, 2009
By Gender

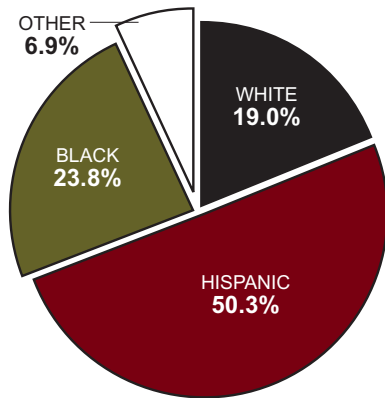


Source: Table 2.

Personal Characteristics of the Arrestee

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Homicide Arrests, 2009
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

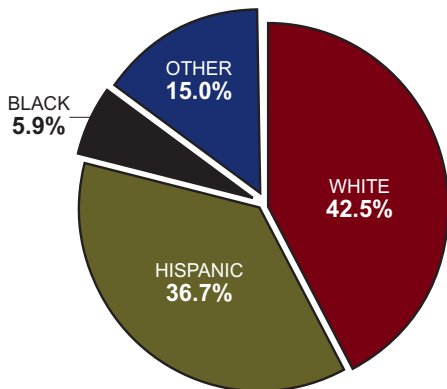


In 2009, there were 1,804 individuals arrested for homicide. Of these:

- 19.0 percent (343) of arrestees were white.
- 50.3 percent (907) of arrestees were Hispanic.
- 23.8 percent (430) of arrestees were black.
- 6.9 percent (124) of arrestees fell into the “other” race/ethnic group category.

Source: Table 31.

Population in California, 2009
By Race/Ethnic Group



Note: The subjectivity of the classification and labeling process must be considered in the analysis of race/ethnic group data. As commonly used, race refers to large populations that share certain similar physical characteristics such as skin color. Because these physical characteristics can vary greatly within groups as well as between groups, determination of race is frequently, by necessity, subjective. Ethnicity refers to cultural heritage and can cross racial lines. For example, the ethnic designation “Hispanic” can include persons of any race. Most commonly, self-identification of race/ethnicity is used in the classification and labeling process.

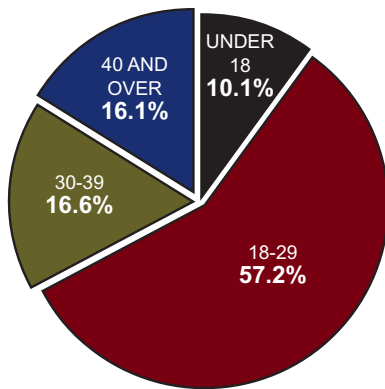
Source: Table 3.
Notes: Beginning in 2004, the “other” category includes the race/ethnic group of “multi-racial.”
Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Personal Characteristics of the Arrestee

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Homicide Arrests, 2009

By Age of Arrestee



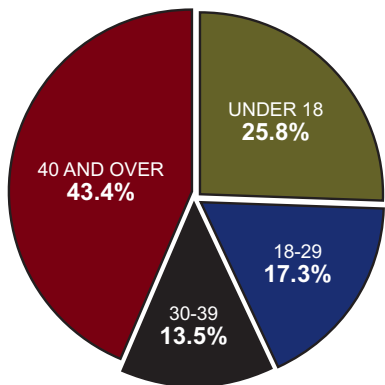
In 2009, there were 1,804 individuals arrested for homicide. Of these:

- 10.1 percent (182) of arrestees were under age 18.
- 57.2 percent (1,032) of arrestees were aged 18–29.
- 16.6 percent (299) of arrestees were aged 30–39.
- 16.1 percent (291) of arrestees were aged 40 and over.

Source: Table 32.

Population in California, 2009

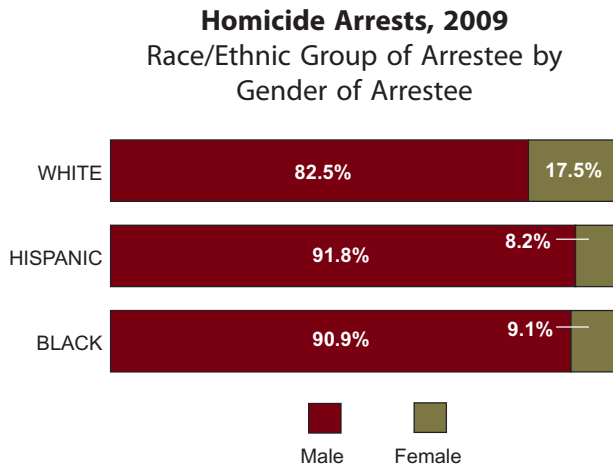
By Age



Source: Table 4.

Personal Characteristics of the Arrestee

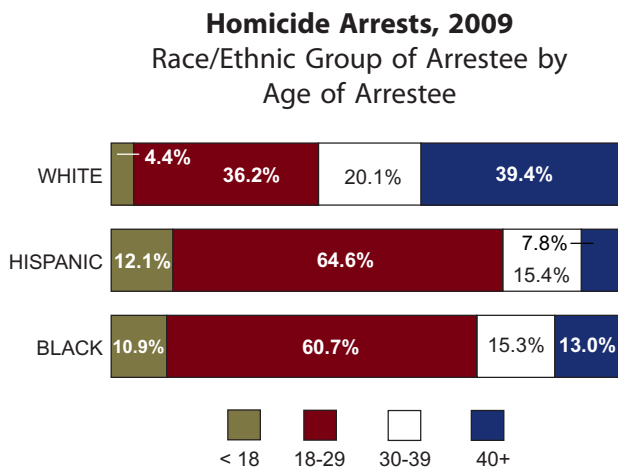
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Source: Table 33.

In 2009:

- Homicide arrestees for all three race/ethnic groups shown were predominately male.
- A greater percentage of white arrestees were female than were Hispanic or black arrestees (17.5 vs. 8.2 and 9.1 percent, respectively).



Source: Table 33.

In 2009:

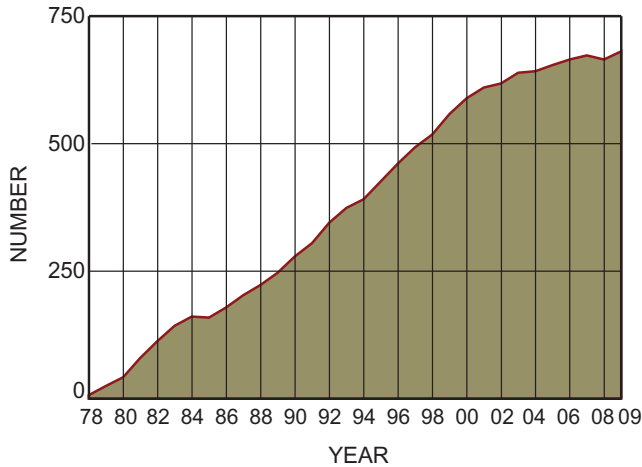
- A greater percentage of white arrestees were aged 40 and over than were Hispanic or black arrestees (39.4 vs. 7.8 and 13.0 percent, respectively).
- The majority of Hispanic and black arrestees were aged 18–29 (64.6 and 60.7 percent, respectively).

Homicide in California

***Death Penalty
Sentences***

Death Penalty Sentences

Persons Under California Sentence of Death, 1978–2009



Source: Table 35.

This section contains information about persons sentenced to death in California in 2009. Death penalty data were extracted from the 2009 Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system. For detailed information regarding the death penalty and the criteria by which a person can be sentenced to death, refer to California Penal Code sections 190 through 190.9.

During 2009, there were 29 persons 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. By the end of 2009, there were 681 persons under sentence of death in California.

In 2009, of the 29 persons newly sentenced to death:

- All but one were male.
- Nine were white, nine were Hispanic, and eleven were black.
- The average age at arrest was 33.
- Los Angeles County sentenced the largest number with 13.

Note: Additional information can be found in Tables 35 and 36.

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***Peace Officers Killed
in the Line of Duty***

P *Peace Officers Killed in the Line of Duty*

Peace Officers Killed in the Line of Duty, 2009 By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total	Offender's	Officer's
Total.....	4	4	0
Rifle.....	2	2	0
Firearm (not specified)	2	2	0

Information about peace officers killed in the line of duty was obtained from the Homicide File. Only sworn officers *feloniously* killed in the line of duty are included. (Sworn officers accidentally killed in the line of duty and non-sworn officers, such as security guards, are excluded.)

In 2009, four peace officers were killed in the line of duty.

- Two peace officers were killed by the offenders' rifle.
- Two peace officers were killed by the offenders' unspecified firearm.

Peace Officers Killed in the Line of Duty, 2009 Race/Ethnic Group of Officer By Gender of Officer

Race/ethnic group	Total	Gender	
		Male	Female
Total.....	4	4	0
White.....	1	1	0
Black.....	1	1	0
Other.....	2	2	0

In 2009:

- All four peace officers killed in the line of duty were male; one was white, one was black, and two were of race/ethnicities categorized as "other."

**Peace Officers Killed
in the Line of Duty, 2000–2009**

Year	Number of officers killed
Total.....	43
2009.....	4
2008.....	3
2007.....	4
2006.....	5
2005.....	5
2004.....	4
2003.....	6
2002.....	4
2001.....	6
2000.....	2

From 2000 to 2009:

- 43 peace officers were killed in the line of duty. During this time period, the largest number of deaths occurred in 2001 and 2003 (6 each), and the fewest number of deaths occurred in 2000 (2).

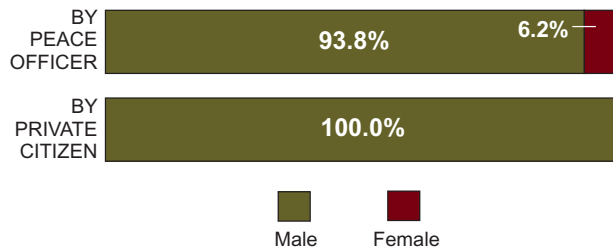
Note: Additional information can be found in Tables 37 and 38.

Homicide in California

***Justifiable
Homicides***

Justifiable Homicides

Justifiable Homicides by Peace Officers or Private Citizens, 2009 By Gender of Deceased



Source: Table 39.

A justifiable homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as the killing of a felon by a private citizen or peace officer during the commission of a felony. Justifiable homicides are sometimes referred to as excusable or noncriminal homicides.

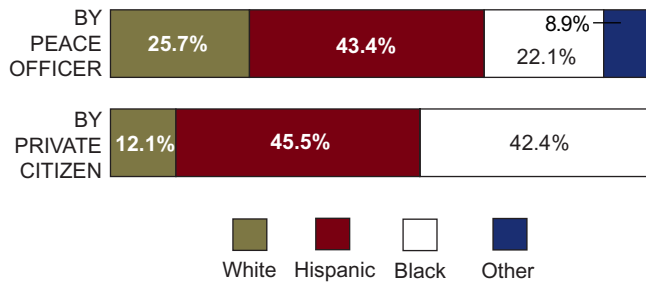
In 2009, when justifiable homicides were examined by gender, it was found that:

- 93.8 percent (106) of felons killed by peace officers were male, and 6.2 percent (7) were female.
- All felons killed by private citizens (133) were male.

Personal Characteristics of the Deceased

Justifiable Homicides by Peace Officers or Private Citizens, 2009

By Race/Ethnic Group of Deceased



Source: Table 39.

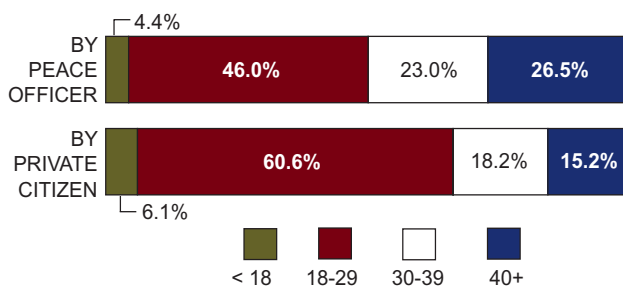
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- A greater proportion of felons killed by peace officers were Hispanic than were white or black (43.4 vs. 25.7 and 22.1 percent, respectively).
- The felons killed by private citizens were less likely to be white than Hispanic or black (12.1 vs. 45.5 and 42.4 percent, respectively).

Justifiable Homicides by Peace Officers or Private Citizens, 2009

By Age of Deceased



Source: Table 39.

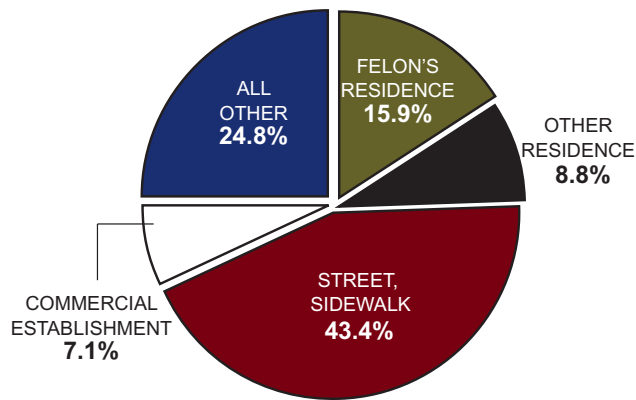
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009:

- A greater proportion of felons killed by peace officers were aged 18–29 (46.0 percent) than were any other age group.
- The largest proportion of felons killed by private citizens were aged 18–29 (60.6 percent).

Elements of the Justifiable Homicide Location

Justifiable Homicides by Peace Officers, 2009
By Location of Justifiable Homicide

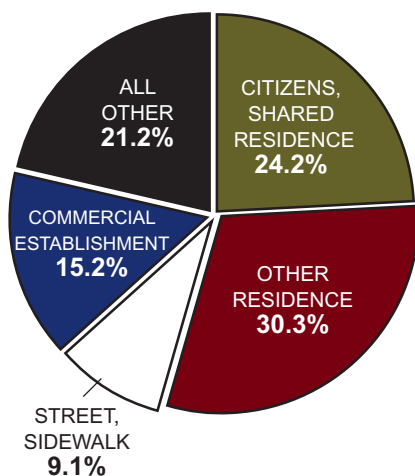


Source: Table 40.

In 2009, when justifiable homicides were examined by location, it was found that:

- The largest proportion of felons killed by peace officers were killed on a street or sidewalk (43.4 percent).
- The largest proportion of felons killed by private citizens were killed in a residence other than their own (30.3 percent).

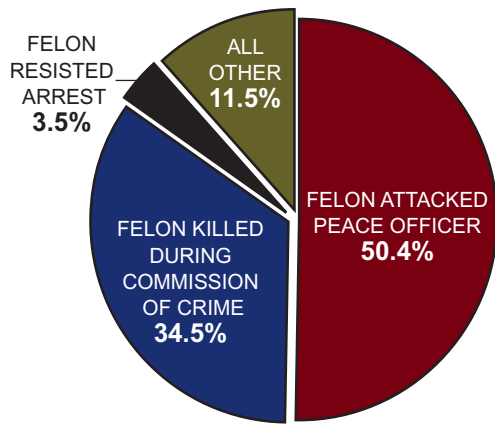
Justifiable Homicides by Private Citizens, 2009
By Location of Justifiable Homicide



Source: Table 40.

Contributing Circumstance

Justifiable Homicides by Peace Officers, 2009
By Contributing Circumstance

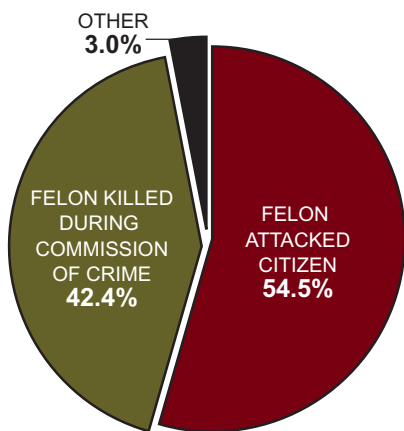


Source: Table 41.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2009, when justifiable homicides were examined by known contributing circumstance, it was found that:

- Most felons killed by peace officers were killed while attacking a peace officer (50.4 percent).
- Most felons killed by private citizens were killed while attacking a citizen (54.5 percent).

Justifiable Homicides by Private Citizens, 2009
By Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 41.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Data Tables

Table 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 2000-2009
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homicide	Forcible rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault
Number					
2009.....	174,579	1,970	8,698	64,006	99,905
2008.....	185,233	2,143	8,906	69,391	104,793
2007.....	191,493	2,258	9,047	70,702	109,486
2006.....	194,128	2,483	9,213	70,961	111,471
2005.....	189,593	2,503	9,345	63,424	114,321
2004.....	197,432	2,394	9,598	61,573	123,867
2003.....	204,591	2,402	9,918	63,597	128,674
2002.....	207,988	2,392	10,176	64,805	130,615
2001.....	210,510	2,201	9,882	63,299	135,128
2000.....	210,492	2,074	9,785	60,243	138,390
Percent change in number					
2008-2009.....	-5.8	-8.1	-2.3	-7.8	-4.7
2007-2008.....	-3.3	-5.1	-1.6	-1.9	-4.3
2006-2007.....	-1.4	-9.1	-1.8	-0.4	-1.8
2005-2006.....	2.4	-0.8	-1.4	11.9	-2.5
2004-2005.....	-4.0	4.6	-2.6	3.0	-7.7
2003-2004.....	-3.5	-0.3	-3.2	-3.2	-3.7
2002-2003.....	-1.6	0.4	-2.5	-1.9	-1.5
2001-2002.....	-1.2	8.7	3.0	2.4	-3.3
2000-2001.....	0.0	6.1	1.0	5.1	-2.4
2000-2009.....	-17.1	-5.0	-11.1	6.2	-27.8
Rate per 100,000 population ¹					
2009.....	453.6	5.1	22.6	166.3	259.6
2008.....	485.6	5.6	23.3	181.9	274.7
2007.....	507.0	6.0	24.0	187.2	289.9
2006.....	518.4	6.6	24.6	189.5	297.7
2005.....	512.3	6.8	25.3	171.4	308.9
2004.....	539.6	6.5	26.2	168.3	338.5
2003.....	569.4	6.7	27.6	177.0	358.1
2002.....	589.2	6.8	28.8	183.6	370.0
2001.....	605.6	6.3	28.4	182.1	388.8
2000.....	610.5	6.0	28.4	174.7	401.4
Percent change in rate					
2008-2009.....	-6.6	-8.9	-3.0	-8.6	-5.5
2007-2008.....	-4.2	-6.7	-2.9	-2.8	-5.2
2006-2007.....	-2.2	-9.1	-2.4	-1.2	-2.6
2005-2006.....	1.2	-2.9	-2.8	10.6	-3.6
2004-2005.....	-5.1	4.6	-3.4	1.8	-8.7
2003-2004.....	-5.2	-3.0	-5.1	-4.9	-5.5
2002-2003.....	-3.4	-1.5	-4.2	-3.6	-3.2
2001-2002.....	-2.7	7.9	1.4	0.8	-4.8
2000-2001.....	-0.8	5.0	0.0	4.2	-3.1
2000-2009.....	-25.7	-15.0	-20.4	-4.8	-35.3

Note: Rates may not add to total because of rounding.

¹ Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

Table 2
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Gender of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Gender of victim	Year										Percent change	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2000-2009	2008-2009
Total												
Number of victims.....	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	-5.0	-8.1
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Population ¹	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	37,004,661	37,444,385	37,771,431	38,148,493	38,487,889	11.6	0.9
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Rate.....	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.0	5.6	5.1	-15.0	-8.9
Male²												
Number of victims.....	1,666	1,756	1,938	1,972	1,992	2,101	2,070	1,865	1,766	1,619	-2.8	-8.3
Percent of total victims..	80.3%	79.8%	81.0%	82.1%	83.2%	83.9%	83.4%	82.6%	82.4%	82.2%		
Population ¹	17,398,995	17,694,411	17,984,195	18,270,127	18,161,654	18,403,806	18,645,304	18,870,986	19,087,058	19,305,709	11.0	1.1
Percent of population...	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	49.9%	49.9%	49.9%	49.9%	49.9%	49.9%		
Rate.....	9.6	9.9	10.8	10.8	11.0	11.4	11.1	9.9	9.3	8.4	-12.5	-9.7
Female												
Number of victims.....	408	445	454	430	402	402	413	393	377	351	-14.0	-6.9
Percent of total victims..	19.7%	20.2%	19.0%	17.9%	16.8%	16.1%	16.6%	17.4%	17.6%	17.8%		
Population ¹	17,254,400	17,538,924	17,818,043	18,093,375	18,214,757	18,450,418	18,689,664	18,939,596	19,159,540	19,382,584	12.3	1.2
Percent of population...	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	50.1%	50.1%	50.1%	50.1%	50.1%	50.1%		
Rate.....	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	-25.0	-10.0

Notes: Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population. Population breakdowns by gender will not add to total because of variations in population source data.

The "percent of population" category for male and female was calculated using the sum of the male and female populations.

¹ Beginning in 2004, population estimates are based on the 2000 Census. Previous population estimates are based on revisions of the 1990 Census. Readers are advised to exercise care in interpreting changes in percent and rate between decennial census samples.

² The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined; 2000 includes two, 2001 includes one, and 2002 includes one.

Table 3
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Race/ethnic group of victim	Year										Percent change	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2009-2008	2009-2009
Total												
Number of victims.....	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	-5.0	-8.1
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Population ¹	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	37,004,661	37,444,385	37,771,431	38,148,493	38,487,889	11.6	0.9
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Rate.....	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.0	5.6	5.1	-15.0	-8.9
White												
Number of victims.....	421	442	417	444	422	419	432	372	389	392	-6.9	0.8
Percent of total victims..	20.3%	20.1%	17.4%	18.5%	17.6%	16.7%	17.4%	16.5%	18.2%	19.9%		
Population ¹	17,421,511	17,503,225	17,573,850	17,635,296	15,967,775	15,852,937	15,766,736	16,423,530	16,428,238	16,433,317	-5.7	0.0
Percent of population....	50.3%	49.7%	49.1%	48.5%	43.9%	43.0%	42.2%	43.4%	43.0%	42.5%		
Rate.....	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.4	0.0	0.0
Hispanic												
Number of victims.....	933	985	1,066	1,053	1,034	1,139	1,129	1,055	1,003	913	-2.1	-9.0
Percent of total victims..	45.0%	44.8%	44.6%	43.8%	43.2%	45.5%	45.5%	46.7%	46.8%	46.3%		
Population ¹	10,688,752	11,020,710	11,352,852	11,685,915	12,816,038	13,220,223	13,603,759	13,539,990	13,858,454	14,182,666	32.7	2.3
Percent of population....	30.8%	31.3%	31.7%	32.1%	35.2%	35.9%	36.4%	35.8%	36.3%	36.8%		
Rate.....	8.7	8.9	9.4	9.0	8.1	8.6	8.3	7.8	7.2	6.4	-26.4	-11.1
Black												
Number of victims.....	589	622	734	713	766	758	736	665	577	534	-9.3	-7.5
Percent of total victims..	28.4%	28.3%	30.7%	29.7%	32.0%	30.3%	29.6%	29.5%	26.9%	27.1%		
Population ¹	2,337,935	2,355,812	2,373,399	2,390,411	2,425,066	2,456,783	2,491,247	2,263,690	2,271,258	2,279,118	-2.5	0.3
Percent of population....	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	6.0%	6.0%	5.9%		
Rate.....	25.2	26.4	30.9	29.8	31.6	30.9	29.5	29.4	25.4	23.4	-7.1	-7.9
Other²												
Number of victims.....	121	145	166	185	167	182	178	156	159	120	-0.8	-24.5
Percent of total victims..	5.8%	6.6%	6.9%	7.7%	7.0%	7.3%	7.2%	6.9%	7.4%	6.1%		
Population ¹	4,205,197	4,353,588	4,502,137	4,651,880	5,167,532	5,324,281	5,473,226	5,683,372	5,688,648	5,793,192	37.8	1.8
Percent of population....	12.1%	12.4%	12.6%	12.8%	14.2%	14.4%	14.7%	14.8%	14.9%	15.1%		
Rate.....	2.9	3.3	3.7	4.0	3.2	3.4	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.1	-27.6	-25.0
Unknown												
Number of victims.....	10	7	9	7	5	5	8	10	15	11	-	-
Percent of total victims..	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.7%	0.6%		
Population ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percent of population....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
 Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.
 Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population.
 Population breakdowns by race/ethnic group will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
 Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown race/ethnic group population data.
 Dash may also indicate that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
 The "percent of population" category for race/ethnic group was calculated using the sum of the race/ethnic group populations.
¹ Beginning in 2004, population estimates are based on the 2000 Census. Previous population estimates are based on revisions of the 1990 Census. Readers are advised to exercise care in interpreting changes in percent and rate between decennial census samples.
² Beginning in 2004, the "other" category includes the new race/ethnic group of "multi-racial." The extent to which this new race/ethnic group effects other population estimates is not known.

Table 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Age of Victim

Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Age of victim	Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population										Percent change		
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2000-2009	2008-2009	
Total													
Number of victims.....	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970			-5.0
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Population ¹	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	37,004,661	37,444,385	37,771,431	38,148,493	38,487,889			11.6
Percent of population....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Rate.....	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.0	5.6	5.1			-15.0
Under 18													
Number of victims.....	246	252	247	240	269	285	316	270	273	242			-1.6
Percent of total victims....	11.9%	11.4%	10.3%	10.0%	11.2%	11.4%	12.7%	12.0%	12.7%	12.3%			-11.4
Population ¹	9,770,687	9,932,913	10,095,903	10,248,237	9,575,520	9,620,511	9,664,747	10,007,501	10,003,896	9,992,333			2.3
Percent of population....	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	26.3%	26.1%	25.9%	26.5%	26.2%	25.8%			-0.1
Rate.....	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.8	3.0	3.3	2.7	2.7	2.4			-4.0
18-29													
Number of victims.....	888	992	1,098	1,100	1,110	1,151	1,147	998	906	838			-5.6
Percent of total victims....	42.8%	45.1%	45.9%	45.8%	46.4%	46.0%	46.2%	44.2%	42.3%	42.5%			-7.5
Population ¹	5,523,472	5,555,926	6,123,037	5,740,606	6,160,386	6,260,103	6,369,559	6,321,492	6,500,288	6,686,543			21.1
Percent of population....	15.9%	15.8%	17.1%	15.8%	16.9%	17.0%	17.1%	16.7%	17.0%	17.3%			2.9
Rate.....	16.1	17.9	17.9	19.2	18.0	18.4	18.0	15.8	13.9	12.5			-22.4
30-39													
Number of victims.....	377	426	449	486	446	473	418	432	381	353			-6.4
Percent of total victims....	18.2%	19.4%	18.8%	20.2%	18.6%	18.9%	16.8%	19.1%	17.8%	17.9%			-7.3
Population ¹	5,597,411	5,535,620	4,994,720	5,384,170	5,534,220	5,516,751	5,516,609	5,335,897	5,278,097	5,214,480			-6.8
Percent of population....	16.2%	15.7%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%	15.0%	14.8%	14.1%	13.8%	13.5%			-1.2
Rate.....	6.7	7.7	9.0	9.0	8.1	8.6	7.6	8.1	7.2	6.8			1.5
40 and over													
Number of victims.....	534	519	579	560	569	579	586	552	569	528			-1.1
Percent of total victims....	25.7%	23.6%	24.2%	23.3%	23.8%	23.1%	23.6%	24.4%	26.6%	26.8%			-7.2
Population ¹	13,761,825	14,208,876	14,588,578	14,990,489	15,106,285	15,456,859	15,784,053	16,145,692	16,464,317	16,794,937			22.0
Percent of population....	39.7%	40.3%	40.7%	41.2%	41.5%	41.9%	42.3%	42.7%	43.0%	43.4%			2.0
Rate.....	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.5	3.1			-20.5
Unknown													
Number of victims.....	29	12	19	16	0	15	16	6	14	9			-
Percent of total victims....	1.4%	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.3%	0.7%	0.5%			-
Population ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-
Percent of population....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-
Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-

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

Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population.

Population breakdowns by age will not add to total because of variations in population source data.

Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown age population data.

Dash may also indicate that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

The "percent of population" category for age group was calculated using the sum of the age populations.

¹ Beginning in 2004, population estimates are based on the 2000 Census. Previous population estimates are based on revisions of the 1990 Census. Readers are advised to exercise care in interpreting changes in percent and rate between decennial census samples.

Table 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Gender of Victim

Year(s)	Total				Male ¹		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	2009.....	1,970	100.0	1,619	82.2	351	17.8	
2008.....	2,143	100.0	1,766	82.4	377	17.6		
2007.....	2,258	100.0	1,865	82.6	393	17.4		
2006.....	2,483	100.0	2,070	83.4	413	16.6		
2005.....	2,503	100.0	2,101	83.9	402	16.1		
2004.....	2,394	100.0	1,992	83.2	402	16.8		
2003.....	2,402	100.0	1,972	82.1	430	17.9		
2002.....	2,392	100.0	1,938	81.0	454	19.0		
2001.....	2,201	100.0	1,756	79.8	445	20.2		
2000.....	2,074	100.0	1,666	80.3	408	19.7		

¹ The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined. 2000 includes two, 2001 includes one, and 2002 includes one.

Table 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Year(s)	Total including unknown	Unknown	Total		Known race/ethnic group of victim							
			Number	Percent	White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
			Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2009.....	1,970	11	1,959	100.0	392	20.0	913	46.6	534	27.3	120	6.1
2008.....	2,143	15	2,128	100.0	389	18.3	1,003	47.1	577	27.1	159	7.5
2007.....	2,258	10	2,248	100.0	372	16.5	1,055	46.9	665	29.6	156	6.9
2006.....	2,483	8	2,475	100.0	432	17.5	1,129	45.6	736	29.7	178	7.2
2005.....	2,503	5	2,498	100.0	419	16.8	1,139	45.6	758	30.3	182	7.3
2004.....	2,394	5	2,389	100.0	422	17.7	1,034	43.3	766	32.1	167	7.0
2003.....	2,402	7	2,395	100.0	444	18.5	1,053	44.0	713	29.8	185	7.7
2002.....	2,392	9	2,383	100.0	417	17.5	1,066	44.7	734	30.8	166	7.0
2001.....	2,201	7	2,194	100.0	442	20.1	985	44.9	622	28.4	145	6.6
2000.....	2,074	10	2,064	100.0	421	20.4	933	45.2	589	28.5	121	5.9

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

Table 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Age of Victim

Year(s)	Total including unknown	Unknown	Known age of victim											
			Total		Under 18		18-29		30-39		40 and over			
			Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
2009.....	1,970	9	1,961	100.0	242	12.3	838	42.7	353	18.0	528	26.9		
2008.....	2,143	14	2,129	100.0	273	12.8	906	42.6	381	17.9	569	26.7		
2007.....	2,258	6	2,252	100.0	270	12.0	998	44.3	432	19.2	552	24.5		
2006.....	2,483	16	2,467	100.0	316	12.8	1,147	46.5	418	16.9	586	23.8		
2005.....	2,503	15	2,488	100.0	285	11.5	1,151	46.3	473	19.0	579	23.3		
2004.....	2,394	0	2,394	100.0	269	11.2	1,110	46.4	446	18.6	569	23.8		
2003.....	2,402	16	2,386	100.0	240	10.1	1,100	46.1	486	20.4	560	23.5		
2002.....	2,392	19	2,373	100.0	247	10.4	1,098	46.3	449	18.9	579	24.4		
2001.....	2,201	12	2,189	100.0	252	11.5	992	45.3	426	19.5	519	23.7		
2000.....	2,074	29	2,045	100.0	246	12.0	888	43.4	377	18.4	534	26.1		

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

Table 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender of Victim

Gender of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,970	100.0	392	100.0	913	100.0	534	100.0	120	100.0	11	100.0
Male.....	1,619	82.2	267	68.1	789	86.4	465	87.1	89	74.2	9	-
Female.....	351	17.8	125	31.9	124	13.6	69	12.9	31	25.8	2	-

Note: Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Age of Victim

Age of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown....	1,970	-	392	-	913	-	534	-	120	-	11	-
Unknown.....	9	-	0	-	2	-	1	-	0	-	6	-
Total known.....	1,961	100.0	392	100.0	911	100.0	533	100.0	120	100.0	5	100.0
Under 18.....	242	12.3	33	8.4	130	14.3	67	12.6	12	10.0	0	-
18-29.....	838	42.7	98	25.0	444	48.7	251	47.1	43	35.8	2	-
30-39.....	353	18.0	50	12.8	172	18.9	107	20.1	24	20.0	0	-
40 and over.....	528	26.9	211	53.8	165	18.1	108	20.3	41	34.2	3	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 10
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender and Age of Victim

Gender and age of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,970	100.0	392	100.0	913	100.0	534	100.0	120	100.0	11	100.0
Under 18.....	242	12.3	33	8.4	130	14.2	67	12.5	12	10.0	0	-
18-19.....	194	9.8	18	4.6	111	12.2	59	11.0	6	5.0	0	-
20-24.....	396	20.1	37	9.4	215	23.5	120	22.5	24	20.0	0	-
25-29.....	248	12.6	43	11.0	118	12.9	72	13.5	13	10.8	2	-
30-34.....	211	10.7	26	6.6	102	11.2	73	13.7	10	8.3	0	-
35-39.....	142	7.2	24	6.1	70	7.7	34	6.4	14	11.7	0	-
40-44.....	120	6.1	39	9.9	48	5.3	22	4.1	9	7.5	2	-
45-49.....	139	7.1	46	11.7	53	5.8	30	5.6	9	7.5	1	-
50-54.....	86	4.4	28	7.1	27	3.0	23	4.3	8	6.7	0	-
55 and over.....	183	9.3	98	25.0	37	4.1	33	6.2	15	12.5	0	-
Unknown.....	9	0.5	0	0.0	2	0.2	1	0.2	0	0.0	6	-
Male.....	1,619	100.0	267	100.0	789	100.0	465	100.0	89	100.0	9	100.0
Under 18.....	176	10.9	20	7.5	98	12.4	52	11.2	6	6.7	0	-
18-19.....	178	11.0	16	6.0	104	13.2	52	11.2	6	6.7	0	-
20-24.....	355	21.9	31	11.6	199	25.2	106	22.8	19	21.3	0	-
25-29.....	206	12.7	25	9.4	104	13.2	65	14.0	10	11.2	2	-
30-34.....	181	11.2	20	7.5	86	10.9	68	14.6	7	7.9	0	-
35-39.....	117	7.2	17	6.4	58	7.4	31	6.7	11	12.4	0	-
40-44.....	96	5.9	25	9.4	42	5.3	20	4.3	7	7.9	2	-
45-49.....	109	6.7	34	12.7	39	4.9	29	6.2	6	6.7	1	-
50-54.....	70	4.3	19	7.1	25	3.2	19	4.1	7	7.9	0	-
55 and over.....	124	7.7	60	22.5	32	4.1	22	4.7	10	11.2	0	-
Unknown.....	7	0.4	0	0.0	2	0.3	1	0.2	0	0.0	4	-
Female.....	351	100.0	125	100.0	124	100.0	69	100.0	31	100.0	2	100.0
Under 18.....	66	18.8	13	10.4	32	25.8	15	21.7	6	-	0	-
18-19.....	16	4.6	2	1.6	7	5.6	7	10.1	0	-	0	-
20-24.....	41	11.7	6	4.8	16	12.9	14	20.3	5	-	0	-
25-29.....	42	12.0	18	14.4	14	11.3	7	10.1	3	-	0	-
30-34.....	30	8.5	6	4.8	16	12.9	5	7.2	3	-	0	-
35-39.....	25	7.1	7	5.6	12	9.7	3	4.3	3	-	0	-
40-44.....	24	6.8	14	11.2	6	4.8	2	2.9	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	30	8.5	12	9.6	14	11.3	1	1.4	3	-	0	-
50-54.....	16	4.6	9	7.2	2	1.6	4	5.8	1	-	0	-
55 and over.....	59	16.8	38	30.4	5	4.0	11	15.9	5	-	0	-
Unknown.....	2	0.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	-	2	-

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

Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394	
Unknown.....	796		900		969		1,109		1,018	
Total known.....	1,278	100.0	1,301	100.0	1,423	100.0	1,293	100.0	1,376	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	601	47.0	596	45.8	663	46.6	601	46.5	667	48.5
Spouse, parent, child.....	207	16.2	183	14.1	204	14.3	198	15.3	174	12.6
Spouse ²	115	9.0	87	6.7	97	6.8	93	7.2	84	6.1
Parent, child ³	92	7.2	96	7.4	107	7.5	105	8.1	90	6.5
All other relatives.....	40	3.1	49	3.8	42	3.0	52	4.0	46	3.3
Stranger.....	430	33.6	473	36.4	514	36.1	442	34.2	489	35.5

Relationship of victim to offender (cont.)	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		Percent change 2000-2009
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total including unknown.....	2,503		2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		
Unknown.....	1,082		1,109		1,131		1,030		878		
Total known.....	1,421	100.0	1,374	100.0	1,127	100.0	1,113	100.0	1,092	100.0	-14.6
Friend, acquaintance ¹	548	38.6	593	43.2	475	42.1	540	48.5	572	52.4	-4.8
Spouse, parent, child.....	174	12.2	180	13.1	155	13.8	169	15.2	160	14.7	-22.7
Spouse ²	77	5.4	86	6.3	76	6.7	71	6.4	64	5.9	-44.3
Parent, child ³	97	6.8	94	6.8	79	7.0	98	8.8	96	8.8	4.3
All other relatives.....	61	4.3	43	3.1	40	3.5	68	6.1	34	3.1	-50.0
Stranger.....	638	44.9	558	40.6	457	40.6	336	30.2	326	29.9	-24.2

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

Dash indicates that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

¹ Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.

² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 12
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11
Unknown.....	878	798	80	115	409	301	46	7
Total known.....	1,092	821	271	277	504	233	74	4
Friend, acquaintance ¹	572	455	117	148	285	104	32	3
Spouse, parent, child.....	160	49	111	63	49	35	13	0
Spouse ²	64	4	60	28	22	8	6	0
Parent, child ³	96	45	51	35	27	27	7	0
All other relatives.....	34	23	11	12	10	5	7	0
Stranger.....	326	294	32	54	160	89	22	1
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	52.4	55.4	43.2	53.4	56.5	44.6	43.2	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	14.7	6.0	41.0	22.7	9.7	15.0	17.6	-
Spouse ²	5.9	0.5	22.1	10.1	4.4	3.4	8.1	-
Parent, child ³	8.8	5.5	18.8	12.6	5.4	11.6	9.5	-
All other relatives.....	3.1	2.8	4.1	4.3	2.0	2.1	9.5	-
Stranger.....	29.9	35.8	11.8	19.5	31.7	38.2	29.7	-

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

Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

¹ Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.

² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Number					
	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Total including unknown.....	1,970	242	838	353	528	9
Unknown.....	878	73	428	175	195	7
Total known.....	1,092	169	410	178	333	2
Friend, acquaintance ¹	572	63	244	100	165	0
Spouse, parent, child.....	160	60	17	18	65	0
Spouse ²	64	0	11	15	38	0
Parent, child ³	96	60	6	3	27	0
All other relatives.....	34	4	7	6	17	0
Stranger.....	326	42	142	54	86	2
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	52.4	37.3	59.5	56.2	49.5	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	14.7	35.5	4.1	10.1	19.5	-
Spouse ²	5.9	0.0	2.7	8.4	11.4	-
Parent, child ³	8.8	35.5	1.5	1.7	8.1	-
All other relatives.....	3.1	2.4	1.7	3.4	5.1	-
Stranger.....	29.9	24.9	34.6	30.3	25.8	-

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

Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

¹ Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.

² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 14
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Statewide total.....	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970
Alameda.....	110	108	144	139	117	126	172	152	147	138
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Amador.....	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1
Butte.....	8	11	5	9	6	10	11	9	7	10
Calaveras.....	4	2	2	2	3	2	1	0	2	1
Colusa.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Contra Costa.....	56	49	48	74	76	80	93	98	76	89
Del Norte.....	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
El Dorado.....	3	5	4	2	2	5	4	4	8	3
Fresno.....	38	61	62	59	69	77	74	73	65	69
Glenn.....	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	2	0
Humboldt.....	4	7	12	8	5	3	5	3	3	8
Imperial.....	4	5	3	12	4	0	3	4	8	3
Inyo.....	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
Kern.....	37	39	51	46	51	69	65	50	57	75
Kings.....	3	1	4	5	6	4	4	7	7	4
Lake.....	5	1	4	1	1	1	7	5	5	4
Lassen.....	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	1
Los Angeles.....	1,000	1,070	1,162	1,053	1,038	1,068	1,012	863	806	699
Madera.....	10	15	6	7	7	10	2	5	10	3
Marin.....	5	3	4	0	3	3	3	1	5	4
Mariposa.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Mendocino.....	5	4	4	9	6	4	6	6	7	5
Merced.....	6	5	18	16	16	22	22	17	21	26
Modoc.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mono.....	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey.....	25	26	28	27	33	14	15	29	36	51
Napa.....	3	1	2	2	3	1	2	6	1	1
Nevada.....	1	6	3	2	1	2	2	2	1	1
Orange.....	56	63	77	64	81	77	79	77	72	69

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	Number									
Placer.....	5	3	0	10	3	5	6	4	3	6
Plumas.....	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	3	1
Riverside.....	79	93	111	94	93	109	109	105	90	91
Sacramento.....	75	78	83	83	92	110	99	91	97	70
San Benito.....	3	6	1	2	0	1	2	5	3	0
San Bernardino...	145	125	141	163	165	174	161	159	119	121
San Diego.....	97	92	87	129	127	98	126	107	90	75
San Francisco.....	59	62	68	69	88	96	86	100	98	45
San Joaquin.....	39	50	59	58	55	56	57	45	35	51
San Luis Obispo..	3	7	3	7	2	4	6	5	4	4
San Mateo.....	10	18	21	20	26	30	22	13	18	16
Santa Barbara....	10	12	8	4	7	9	13	10	14	11
Santa Clara.....	34	34	37	48	37	43	37	46	50	46
Santa Cruz.....	9	13	6	13	5	5	16	6	8	10
Shasta.....	3	5	5	5	4	4	8	11	4	3
Sierra.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	1	1	4	2	1	4	0	2	1	1
Solano.....	21	10	16	20	19	29	14	31	24	20
Sonoma.....	11	12	16	12	17	5	11	8	12	9
Stanislaus.....	16	34	15	27	42	30	29	27	31	46
Sutter.....	2	5	7	3	3	3	4	2	4	1
Tehama.....	5	3	2	1	3	3	5	1	0	3
Trinity.....	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Tulare.....	17	26	29	30	25	54	49	38	43	31
Tuolumne.....	2	1	2	4	2	3	0	1	1	1
Ventura.....	24	19	21	42	33	32	29	17	31	29
Yolo.....	6	4	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	7
Yuba.....	3	3	0	5	5	8	3	0	6	3

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Statewide total.....	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.0	5.6	5.1
Alameda.....	7.5	7.3	9.7	9.3	7.8	8.4	11.4	9.9	9.5	8.8
Alpine.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amador.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butte.....	3.9	5.3	2.4	4.2	2.8	4.6	5.1	4.1	3.2	4.5
Calaveras.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colusa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contra Costa.....	5.8	5.0	4.9	7.4	7.5	7.8	9.0	9.4	7.2	8.3
Del Norte.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Dorado.....	1.9	3.1	2.4	1.2	1.2	2.8	2.2	2.2	4.4	1.7
Fresno.....	4.7	7.4	7.4	6.9	7.9	8.6	8.1	7.9	6.9	7.3
Glenn.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Humboldt.....	3.1	5.5	9.4	6.2	3.8	2.3	3.8	2.3	2.3	6.0
Imperial.....	2.7	3.3	2.0	7.8	2.5	-	1.8	2.3	4.5	1.7
Inyo.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kern.....	5.5	5.7	7.3	6.4	6.9	8.9	8.2	6.2	6.9	9.0
Kings.....	2.2	0.8	3.0	3.6	4.2	2.7	2.7	4.6	4.5	2.6
Lake.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lassen.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles.....	10.3	11.0	11.7	10.5	10.2	10.4	9.8	8.4	7.8	6.7
Madera.....	7.8	11.5	4.6	5.2	5.0	7.0	1.4	3.3	6.6	2.0
Marin.....	2.0	1.2	1.6	0.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.4	1.9	1.5
Mariposa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mendocino.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Merced.....	2.8	2.3	8.1	6.9	6.7	9.0	8.8	6.7	8.2	10.1
Modoc.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mono.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey.....	6.1	6.4	6.8	6.4	7.8	3.3	3.5	6.8	8.4	11.8
Napa.....	2.4	0.8	1.6	1.5	2.3	0.7	1.5	4.4	0.7	0.7
Nevada.....	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	-	-	-
Orange.....	1.9	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	Rate per 100,000 population									
Placer.....	2.0	1.1	0.0	3.5	1.0	1.6	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.7
Plumas.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Riverside.....	5.0	5.7	6.6	5.3	5.0	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.3	4.3
Sacramento.....	6.0	6.2	6.4	6.2	6.8	8.0	7.1	6.4	6.8	4.9
San Benito.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
San Bernardino...	8.3	7.1	7.8	8.7	8.5	8.8	8.0	7.8	5.8	5.9
San Diego.....	3.4	3.2	3.0	4.3	4.2	3.2	4.1	3.4	2.8	2.3
San Francisco.....	7.5	7.9	8.6	8.8	11.1	12.1	10.7	12.2	11.6	5.3
San Joaquin.....	6.8	8.5	9.7	9.3	8.5	8.4	8.5	6.6	5.1	7.4
San Luis Obispo..	1.2	2.8	1.2	2.7	0.8	1.5	2.3	1.9	1.5	1.5
San Mateo.....	1.4	2.5	2.9	2.8	3.6	4.2	3.0	1.8	2.4	2.1
Santa Barbara....	2.5	3.0	2.0	1.0	1.7	2.1	3.1	2.3	3.3	2.5
Santa Clara.....	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.8	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.5
Santa Cruz.....	3.5	5.0	2.3	5.0	1.9	1.9	6.1	2.3	3.0	3.7
Shasta.....	1.8	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.3	2.2	4.4	6.1	2.2	1.6
Sierra.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Siskiyou.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solano.....	5.2	2.5	3.9	4.8	4.5	6.9	3.3	7.3	5.6	4.7
Sonoma.....	2.4	2.6	3.4	2.5	3.6	1.0	2.3	1.7	2.5	1.8
Stanislaus.....	3.5	7.3	3.1	5.5	8.4	5.9	5.6	5.2	5.9	8.7
Sutter.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tehama.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trinity.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tulare.....	4.5	6.9	7.6	7.6	6.2	12.9	11.5	8.8	9.8	7.0
Tuolumne.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ventura.....	3.1	2.5	2.7	5.3	4.1	3.9	3.5	2.1	3.7	3.4
Yolo.....	3.5	2.3	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	3.5
Yuba.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: Dash indicates that a rate is not computed when a county's population is less than 100,000 in a given year.
 Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.
 Rates are calculated using the population for each county shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the state.

Table 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Season and Month of Incident

Season and month of incident	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Number										
Total including unknown...	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970
Spring.....	464	528	582	566	616	580	609	528	558	513
March.....	126	159	189	191	204	195	180	171	203	177
April.....	162	176	188	154	199	191	220	172	166	164
May.....	176	193	205	221	213	194	209	185	189	172
Summer.....	597	581	623	652	648	689	683	656	533	540
June.....	205	165	183	197	190	199	220	206	189	152
July.....	185	208	230	233	228	253	240	228	150	210
August.....	207	208	210	222	230	237	223	222	194	178
Fall.....	497	613	638	601	580	629	612	528	532	452
September.....	173	221	253	209	211	183	204	172	200	147
October.....	174	213	181	213	187	233	209	189	170	152
November.....	150	179	204	179	182	213	199	167	162	153
Winter.....	516	479	549	583	550	605	579	546	520	465
December.....	210	168	175	210	193	210	200	186	160	165
January.....	175	171	214	189	197	217	204	210	176	173
February.....	131	140	160	184	160	178	175	150	184	127
Percent based on total known										
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Spring.....	22.4	24.0	24.3	23.6	25.7	23.2	24.5	23.4	26.0	26.0
March.....	6.1	7.2	7.9	8.0	8.5	7.8	7.2	7.6	9.5	9.0
April.....	7.8	8.0	7.9	6.4	8.3	7.6	8.9	7.6	7.7	8.3
May.....	8.5	8.8	8.6	9.2	8.9	7.8	8.4	8.2	8.8	8.7
Summer.....	28.8	26.4	26.0	27.1	27.1	27.5	27.5	29.1	24.9	27.4
June.....	9.9	7.5	7.7	8.2	7.9	8.0	8.9	9.1	8.8	7.7
July.....	8.9	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.5	10.1	9.7	10.1	7.0	10.7
August.....	10.0	9.5	8.8	9.2	9.6	9.5	9.0	9.8	9.1	9.0
Fall.....	24.0	27.9	26.7	25.0	24.2	25.1	24.6	23.4	24.8	22.9
September.....	8.3	10.0	10.6	8.7	8.8	7.3	8.2	7.6	9.3	7.5
October.....	8.4	9.7	7.6	8.9	7.8	9.3	8.4	8.4	7.9	7.7
November.....	7.2	8.1	8.5	7.5	7.6	8.5	8.0	7.4	7.6	7.8
Winter.....	24.9	21.8	23.0	24.3	23.0	24.2	23.3	24.2	24.3	23.6
December.....	10.1	7.6	7.3	8.7	8.1	8.4	8.1	8.2	7.5	8.4
January.....	8.4	7.8	8.9	7.9	8.2	8.7	8.2	9.3	8.2	8.8
February.....	6.3	6.4	6.7	7.7	6.7	7.1	7.0	6.6	8.6	6.4

Note: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.

Table 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Day of Incident

Day of incident	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11
Weekday.....	1,256	1,016	240	265	559	352	73	7
Monday.....	259	210	49	60	109	75	14	1
Tuesday.....	255	214	41	57	104	76	18	0
Wednesday.....	229	183	46	52	110	56	11	0
Thursday.....	247	195	52	48	108	71	15	5
Friday.....	266	214	52	48	128	74	15	1
Weekend.....	714	603	111	127	354	182	47	4
Saturday.....	364	310	54	63	176	96	25	4
Sunday.....	350	293	57	64	178	86	22	0
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	63.8	62.8	68.4	67.6	61.2	65.9	60.8	-
Monday.....	13.1	13.0	14.0	15.3	11.9	14.0	11.7	-
Tuesday.....	12.9	13.2	11.7	14.5	11.4	14.2	15.0	-
Wednesday.....	11.6	11.3	13.1	13.3	12.0	10.5	9.2	-
Thursday.....	12.5	12.0	14.8	12.2	11.8	13.3	12.5	-
Friday.....	13.5	13.2	14.8	12.2	14.0	13.9	12.5	-
Weekend.....	36.2	37.2	31.6	32.4	38.8	34.1	39.2	-
Saturday.....	18.5	19.1	15.4	16.1	19.3	18.0	20.8	-
Sunday.....	17.8	18.1	16.2	16.3	19.5	16.1	18.3	-
Average daily number of incidents ¹								
Weekday.....	4.8	3.9	0.9	1.0	2.1	1.3	0.3	0.0
Weekend.....	6.9	5.8	1.1	1.2	3.4	1.8	0.5	0.0

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
 Average daily number of incidents may not add to totals because of rounding.
¹ There were 365 days in 2009; 261 weekdays and 104 weekend days. The average daily number of incidents for weekdays was calculated by dividing weekday totals by 261. The average daily number of incidents for weekends was calculated by dividing weekend totals by 104.

Table 17
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Age of Victim by Day of Incident

Day of incident	Number					
	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Total including unknown.....	1,970	242	838	353	528	9
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	1,970	242	838	353	528	9
Weekday.....	1,256	163	504	210	374	5
Monday.....	259	28	114	42	74	1
Tuesday.....	255	36	99	42	78	0
Wednesday.....	229	30	96	32	71	0
Thursday.....	247	29	95	38	82	3
Friday.....	266	40	100	56	69	1
Weekend.....	714	79	334	143	154	4
Saturday.....	364	47	174	66	75	2
Sunday.....	350	32	160	77	79	2
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	63.8	67.4	60.1	59.5	70.8	-
Monday.....	13.1	11.6	13.6	11.9	14.0	-
Tuesday.....	12.9	14.9	11.8	11.9	14.8	-
Wednesday.....	11.6	12.4	11.5	9.1	13.4	-
Thursday.....	12.5	12.0	11.3	10.8	15.5	-
Friday.....	13.5	16.5	11.9	15.9	13.1	-
Weekend.....	36.2	32.6	39.9	40.5	29.2	-
Saturday.....	18.5	19.4	20.8	18.7	14.2	-
Sunday.....	17.8	13.2	19.1	21.8	15.0	-
Average daily number of incidents ¹						
Weekday.....	4.8	0.6	1.9	0.8	1.4	0.0
Weekend.....	6.9	0.8	3.2	1.4	1.5	0.0

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
 Average daily number of incidents may not add to totals because of rounding.
¹ There were 365 days in 2009; 261 weekdays and 104 weekend days. The average daily number of incidents for weekdays was calculated by dividing weekday totals by 261. The average daily number of incidents for weekends was calculated by dividing weekend totals by 104.

Table 18
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394	
Unknown.....	4		0		2		0		13	
Total known.....	2,070	100.0	2,201	100.0	2,390	100.0	2,402	100.0	2,381	100.0
Victim's, shared residence.....	612	29.6	573	26.0	655	27.4	623	25.9	630	26.5
Victim's residence.....	439	21.2	417	18.9	465	19.5	425	17.7	479	20.1
Shared residence.....	173	8.4	156	7.1	190	7.9	198	8.2	151	6.3
Street, sidewalk.....	779	37.6	845	38.4	970	40.6	909	37.8	1,046	43.9
All other.....	679	32.8	783	35.6	765	32.0	870	36.2	705	29.6
Hotel, motel.....	23	1.1	28	1.3	26	1.1	26	1.1	20	0.8
Other residence.....	162	7.8	173	7.9	147	6.2	173	7.2	146	6.1
Liquor store.....	4	0.2	7	0.3	4	0.2	6	0.2	9	0.4
Bar.....	37	1.8	44	2.0	40	1.7	38	1.6	35	1.5
Other business.....	76	3.7	61	2.8	61	2.6	75	3.1	47	2.0
Parking lot.....	72	3.5	75	3.4	87	3.6	98	4.1	74	3.1
Vehicle.....	156	7.5	196	8.9	228	9.5	274	11.4	240	10.1
Field, park.....	120	5.8	167	7.6	134	5.6	147	6.1	102	4.3
School.....	2	0.1	3	0.1	1	0.0	3	0.1	4	0.2
Other.....	27	1.3	29	1.3	37	1.5	30	1.2	28	1.2

Location of homicide (cont.)	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2000-2009	2008-2009
Total including unknown.....	2,503		2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970			
Unknown.....	25		19		58		69		91			
Total known.....	2,478	100.0	2,464	100.0	2,200	100.0	2,074	100.0	1,879	100.0		
Victim's, shared residence.....	567	22.9	548	22.2	485	22.0	517	24.9	475	25.3		-9.2
Victim's residence.....	414	16.7	397	16.1	424	19.3	437	21.1	408	21.7		-22.4
Shared residence.....	153	6.2	151	6.1	61	2.8	80	3.9	67	3.6		-7.1
Street, sidewalk.....	1,116	45.0	1,097	44.5	980	44.5	764	36.8	665	35.4		-61.3
All other.....	795	32.1	819	33.2	735	33.4	793	38.2	739	39.3		-13.0
Hotel, motel.....	23	0.9	22	0.9	15	0.7	16	0.8	26	1.4		8.8
Other residence.....	138	5.6	167	6.8	165	7.5	247	11.9	228	12.1		-
Liquor store.....	6	0.2	5	0.2	8	0.4	10	0.5	11	0.6		-
Bar.....	34	1.4	41	1.7	36	1.6	26	1.3	35	1.9		-
Other business.....	70	2.8	61	2.5	48	2.2	43	2.1	49	2.6		-
Parking lot.....	97	3.9	104	4.2	108	4.9	121	5.8	123	6.5		-
Vehicle.....	282	11.4	296	12.0	176	8.0	184	8.9	135	7.2		70.8
Field, park.....	94	3.8	92	3.7	125	5.7	102	4.9	101	5.4		-13.5
School.....	4	0.2	3	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1	2	0.1		-26.6
Other.....	47	1.9	28	1.1	52	2.4	41	2.0	29	1.5		-15.8

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Table 19
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11
Unknown.....	91	73	18	17	49	20	4	1
Total known.....	1,879	1,546	333	375	864	514	116	10
Victim's, shared residence.....	475	293	182	172	187	78	38	0
Victim's residence.....	408	262	146	143	166	69	30	0
Shared residence.....	67	31	36	29	21	9	8	0
Street, sidewalk.....	665	610	55	76	325	240	22	2
All other.....	739	643	96	127	352	196	56	8
Hotel, motel.....	26	16	10	6	11	9	0	0
Other residence.....	228	196	32	54	106	53	15	0
Liquor store.....	11	11	0	1	5	2	3	0
Bar.....	35	33	2	4	16	9	6	0
Other business.....	49	44	5	10	20	4	11	4
Parking lot.....	123	110	13	19	51	44	9	0
Vehicle.....	135	117	18	9	77	43	6	0
Field, park.....	101	88	13	19	51	26	2	3
School.....	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
Other.....	29	27	2	5	14	6	3	1
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Victim's, shared residence.....	25.3	19.0	54.7	45.9	21.6	15.2	32.8	-
Victim's residence.....	21.7	16.9	43.8	38.1	19.2	13.4	25.9	-
Shared residence.....	3.6	2.0	10.8	7.7	2.4	1.8	6.9	-
Street, sidewalk.....	35.4	39.5	16.5	20.3	37.6	46.7	19.0	-
All other.....	39.3	41.6	28.8	33.9	40.7	38.1	48.3	-
Hotel, motel.....	1.4	1.0	3.0	1.6	1.3	1.8	0.0	-
Other residence.....	12.1	12.7	9.6	14.4	12.3	10.3	12.9	-
Liquor store.....	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.4	2.6	-
Bar.....	1.9	2.1	0.6	1.1	1.9	1.8	5.2	-
Other business.....	2.6	2.8	1.5	2.7	2.3	0.8	9.5	-
Parking lot.....	6.5	7.1	3.9	5.1	5.9	8.6	7.8	-
Vehicle.....	7.2	7.6	5.4	2.4	8.9	8.4	5.2	-
Field, park.....	5.4	5.7	3.9	5.1	5.9	5.1	1.7	-
School.....	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.9	-
Other.....	1.5	1.7	0.6	1.3	1.6	1.2	2.6	-

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Table 20
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Age of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,970	242	838	353	528	9
Unknown.....	91	9	40	20	20	2
Total known.....	1,879	233	798	333	508	7
Victim's, shared residence.....	475	87	99	77	212	0
Victim's residence.....	408	61	88	67	192	0
Shared residence.....	67	26	11	10	20	0
Street, sidewalk.....	665	81	359	106	118	1
All other.....	739	65	340	150	178	6
Hotel, motel.....	26	2	8	7	9	0
Other residence.....	228	33	109	37	49	0
Liquor store.....	11	0	3	3	5	0
Bar.....	35	1	13	14	7	0
Other business.....	49	0	19	9	21	0
Parking lot.....	123	9	54	33	27	0
Vehicle.....	135	8	80	27	20	0
Field, park.....	101	10	44	15	27	5
School.....	2	1	1	0	0	0
Other.....	29	1	9	5	13	1
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Victim's, shared residence.....	25.3	37.3	12.4	23.1	41.7	-
Victim's residence.....	21.7	26.2	11.0	20.1	37.8	-
Shared residence.....	3.6	11.2	1.4	3.0	3.9	-
Street, sidewalk.....	35.4	34.8	45.0	31.8	23.2	-
All other.....	39.3	27.9	42.6	45.0	35.0	-
Hotel, motel.....	1.4	0.9	1.0	2.1	1.8	-
Other residence.....	12.1	14.2	13.7	11.1	9.6	-
Liquor store.....	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.9	1.0	-
Bar.....	1.9	0.4	1.6	4.2	1.4	-
Other business.....	2.6	0.0	2.4	2.7	4.1	-
Parking lot.....	6.5	3.9	6.8	9.9	5.3	-
Vehicle.....	7.2	3.4	10.0	8.1	3.9	-
Field, park.....	5.4	4.3	5.5	4.5	5.3	-
School.....	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	-
Other.....	1.5	0.4	1.1	1.5	2.6	-

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Table 21
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000 - 2009
 By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		Percent change 2000- 2009
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394		
Unknown.....	28		28		28		23		12		
Total known.....	2,046	100.0	2,173	100.0	2,364	100.0	2,379	100.0	2,382	100.0	
Firearm.....	1,440	70.4	1,568	72.2	1,735	73.4	1,733	72.8	1,730	72.6	
Handgun.....	1,242	60.7	1,341	61.7	1,555	65.8	1,566	65.8	1,462	61.4	
All other firearms.....	198	9.7	227	10.4	180	7.6	167	7.0	268	11.3	
Rifle.....	66	3.2	67	3.1	80	3.4	62	2.6	73	3.1	
Shotgun.....	55	2.7	68	3.1	60	2.5	53	2.2	69	2.9	
Other firearm.....	1	0.0	2	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1	3	0.1	
Firearm - unknown type.....	76	3.7	90	4.1	38	1.6	49	2.1	123	5.2	
Nonfirearm.....	606	29.6	605	27.8	629	26.6	646	27.2	652	27.4	
Knife ¹	285	13.9	298	13.7	274	11.6	258	10.8	282	11.8	
Blunt object ²	98	4.8	95	4.4	116	4.9	116	4.9	104	4.4	
Personal weapon ³	111	5.4	103	4.7	118	5.0	138	5.8	148	6.2	
All other.....	112	5.5	109	5.0	121	5.1	134	5.6	118	5.0	
Rope ⁴	40	2.0	37	1.7	41	1.7	58	2.4	49	2.1	
Drugs.....	3	0.1	4	0.2	5	0.2	2	0.1	5	0.2	
Other ⁵	69	3.4	68	3.1	75	3.2	74	3.1	64	2.7	

Type of weapon used (cont.)	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		Percent change 2000- 2009
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total including unknown.....	2,503		2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		
Unknown.....	22		25		34		33		42		
Total known.....	2,481	100.0	2,458	100.0	2,224	100.0	2,110	100.0	1,928	100.0	
Firearm.....	1,845	74.4	1,821	74.1	1,610	72.4	1,487	70.5	1,359	70.5	
Handgun.....	1,547	62.4	1,619	65.9	1,373	61.7	1,153	54.6	1,018	52.8	
All other firearms.....	298	12.0	202	8.2	237	10.7	334	15.8	341	17.7	
Rifle.....	87	3.5	74	3.0	52	2.3	48	2.3	45	2.3	
Shotgun.....	75	3.0	70	2.8	73	3.3	64	3.0	49	2.5	
Other firearm.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.1	8	0.4	3	0.2	
Firearm - unknown type.....	136	5.5	58	2.4	109	4.9	214	10.1	244	12.7	
Nonfirearm.....	636	25.6	637	25.9	614	27.6	623	29.5	569	29.5	
Knife ¹	291	11.7	314	12.8	298	13.4	297	14.1	291	15.1	
Blunt object ²	78	3.1	77	3.1	94	4.2	111	5.3	102	5.3	
Personal weapon ³	138	5.6	130	5.3	118	5.3	120	5.7	107	5.5	
All other.....	129	5.2	116	4.7	104	4.7	95	4.5	69	3.6	
Rope ⁴	30	1.2	33	1.3	29	1.3	21	1.0	23	1.2	
Drugs.....	2	0.1	5	0.2	1	0.0	2	0.1	1	0.1	
Other ⁵	97	3.9	78	3.2	74	3.3	72	3.4	45	2.3	

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² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

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⁵ Poison, arson, pellet gun, drowning, etc.

Table 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Gender		Race/ethnic group					
	Total	Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
	Number							
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11
Unknown.....	42	31	11	15	20	4	3	0
Total known.....	1,928	1,588	340	377	893	530	117	11
Firearm.....	1,359	1,199	160	184	648	441	78	8
Handgun.....	1,018	903	115	116	481	353	61	7
All other firearms.....	341	296	45	68	167	88	17	1
Rifle.....	45	39	6	6	26	12	1	0
Shotgun.....	49	42	7	15	19	13	2	0
Other firearm.....	3	3	0	1	2	0	0	0
Firearm - unknown type.....	244	212	32	46	120	63	14	1
Nonfirearm.....	569	389	180	193	245	89	39	3
Knife ¹	291	217	74	94	136	41	20	0
Blunt object ²	102	74	28	38	42	16	6	0
Personal weapon ³	107	72	35	39	39	21	8	0
All other.....	69	26	43	22	28	11	5	3
Rope ⁴	23	3	20	11	7	2	3	0
Drugs.....	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Other ⁵	45	23	22	10	21	9	2	3
	Percent based on total known							
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Firearm.....	70.5	75.5	47.1	48.8	72.6	83.2	66.7	-
Handgun.....	52.8	56.9	33.8	30.8	53.9	66.6	52.1	-
All other firearms.....	17.7	18.6	13.2	18.0	18.7	16.6	14.5	-
Rifle.....	2.3	2.5	1.8	1.6	2.9	2.3	0.9	-
Shotgun.....	2.5	2.6	2.1	4.0	2.1	2.5	1.7	-
Other firearm.....	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	-
Firearm - unknown type.....	12.7	13.4	9.4	12.2	13.4	11.9	12.0	-
Nonfirearm.....	29.5	24.5	52.9	51.2	27.4	16.8	33.3	-
Knife ¹	15.1	13.7	21.8	24.9	15.2	7.7	17.1	-
Blunt object ²	5.3	4.7	8.2	10.1	4.7	3.0	5.1	-
Personal weapon ³	5.5	4.5	10.3	10.3	4.4	4.0	6.8	-
All other.....	3.6	1.6	12.6	5.8	3.1	2.1	4.3	-
Rope ⁴	1.2	0.2	5.9	2.9	0.8	0.4	2.6	-
Drugs.....	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Other ⁵	2.3	1.4	6.5	2.7	2.4	1.7	1.7	-

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Table 23
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Age of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,970	242	838	353	528	9
Unknown.....	42	1	16	7	18	0
Total known.....	1,928	241	822	346	510	9
Firearm.....	1,359	142	691	258	262	6
Handgun.....	1,018	105	518	207	182	6
All other firearms.....	341	37	173	51	80	0
Rifle.....	45	4	26	5	10	0
Shotgun.....	49	4	22	6	17	0
Other firearm.....	3	0	2	0	1	0
Firearm - unknown type.....	244	29	123	40	52	0
Nonfirearm.....	569	99	131	88	248	3
Knife ¹	291	26	85	60	120	0
Blunt object ²	102	15	19	8	60	0
Personal weapon ³	107	43	9	6	49	0
All other.....	69	15	18	14	19	3
Rope ⁴	23	2	8	6	7	0
Drugs.....	1	0	0	0	1	0
Other ⁵	45	13	10	8	11	3
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Firearm.....	70.5	58.9	84.1	74.6	51.4	-
Handgun.....	52.8	43.6	63.0	59.8	35.7	-
All other firearms.....	17.7	15.4	21.0	14.7	15.7	-
Rifle.....	2.3	1.7	3.2	1.4	2.0	-
Shotgun.....	2.5	1.7	2.7	1.7	3.3	-
Other firearm.....	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	-
Firearm - unknown type.....	12.7	12.0	15.0	11.6	10.2	-
Nonfirearm.....	29.5	41.1	15.9	25.4	48.6	-
Knife ¹	15.1	10.8	10.3	17.3	23.5	-
Blunt object ²	5.3	6.2	2.3	2.3	11.8	-
Personal weapon ³	5.5	17.8	1.1	1.7	9.6	-
All other.....	3.6	6.2	2.2	4.0	3.7	-
Rope ⁴	1.2	0.8	1.0	1.7	1.4	-
Drugs.....	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	-
Other ⁵	2.3	5.4	1.2	2.3	2.2	-

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Table 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2000-2009
 By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394	
Unknown.....	314		317		370		410		320	
Total known.....	1,760	100.0	1,884	100.0	2,022	100.0	1,992	100.0	2,074	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary...	206	11.7	149	7.9	179	8.9	161	8.1	145	7.0
Rape.....	8	0.5	12	0.6	8	0.4	7	0.4	6	0.3
Robbery.....	186	10.6	133	7.1	163	8.1	137	6.9	128	6.2
Burglary.....	12	0.7	4	0.2	8	0.4	17	0.9	11	0.5
Argument.....	726	41.3	793	42.1	779	38.5	836	42.0	886	42.7
Domestic violence.....	147	8.4	176	9.3	181	9.0	187	9.4	163	7.9
All other argument.....	579	32.9	617	32.7	598	29.6	649	32.6	723	34.9
Gang-, drug-related.....	581	33.0	726	38.5	816	40.4	772	38.8	786	37.9
Gang-related.....	506	28.8	647	34.3	730	36.1	669	33.6	698	33.7
Drug-related.....	75	4.3	79	4.2	86	4.3	103	5.2	88	4.2
All other.....	247	14.0	216	11.5	248	12.3	223	11.2	257	12.4

Contributing circumstance (cont.)	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2000-2009	2008-2009
Total including unknown.....	2,503		2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970			
Unknown.....	526		568		825		751		550			
Total known.....	1,977	100.0	1,915	100.0	1,433	100.0	1,392	100.0	1,420	100.0	-19.3	2.0
Rape, robbery, burglary...	151	7.6	141	7.4	107	7.5	97	7.0	119	8.4	-42.2	22.7
Rape.....	7	0.4	6	0.3	3	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	-	-
Robbery.....	135	6.8	132	6.9	94	6.6	92	6.6	110	7.7	-40.9	19.6
Burglary.....	9	0.5	3	0.2	10	0.7	5	0.4	8	0.6	-	-
Argument.....	791	40.0	741	38.7	599	41.8	531	38.1	497	35.0	-31.5	-6.4
Domestic violence.....	160	8.1	141	7.4	119	8.3	113	8.1	130	9.2	-11.6	15.0
All other argument.....	631	31.9	600	31.3	480	33.5	418	30.0	367	25.8	-36.6	-12.2
Gang-, drug-related.....	756	38.2	748	39.1	510	35.6	511	36.7	590	41.5	1.5	15.5
Gang-related.....	653	33.0	645	33.7	469	32.7	469	33.7	554	39.0	9.5	18.1
Drug-related.....	103	5.2	103	5.4	41	2.9	42	3.0	36	2.5	-52.0	-
All other.....	279	14.1	285	14.9	217	15.1	253	18.2	214	15.1	-13.4	-15.4

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 25
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group					
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown	
		Number							
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1,619	351	392	913	534	120	11	
Unknown.....	550	470	80	119	235	161	30	5	
Total known.....	1,420	1,149	271	273	678	373	90	6	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	119	106	13	37	40	25	16	1	
Rape.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
Robbery, burglary.....	118	106	12	37	40	25	15	1	
Robbery.....	110	100	10	33	39	24	13	1	
Burglary.....	8	6	2	4	1	1	2	0	
Argument.....	497	334	163	160	193	99	42	3	
Domestic violence.....	130	18	112	54	45	19	12	0	
All other argument.....	367	316	51	106	148	80	30	3	
Gang-, drug-related.....	590	563	27	30	350	192	18	0	
Gang-related.....	554	531	23	24	333	183	14	0	
Drug-related.....	36	32	4	6	17	9	4	0	
All other.....	214	146	68	46	95	57	14	2	
		Percent based on total known							
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	8.4	9.2	4.8	13.6	5.9	6.7	17.8	-	
Rape.....	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	-	
Robbery, burglary.....	8.3	9.2	4.4	13.6	5.9	6.7	16.7	-	
Robbery.....	7.7	8.7	3.7	12.1	5.8	6.4	14.4	-	
Burglary.....	0.6	0.5	0.7	1.5	0.1	0.3	2.2	-	
Argument.....	35.0	29.1	60.1	58.6	28.5	26.5	46.7	-	
Domestic violence.....	9.2	1.6	41.3	19.8	6.6	5.1	13.3	-	
All other argument.....	25.8	27.5	18.8	38.8	21.8	21.4	33.3	-	
Gang-, drug-related.....	41.5	49.0	10.0	11.0	51.6	51.5	20.0	-	
Gang-related.....	39.0	46.2	8.5	8.8	49.1	49.1	15.6	-	
Drug-related.....	2.5	2.8	1.5	2.2	2.5	2.4	4.4	-	
All other.....	15.1	12.7	25.1	16.8	14.0	15.3	15.6	-	

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 26
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number								70 and over	Unknown	
	Total	Under 5	5-17	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69			
Total including unknown.....	1,970	69	173	838	353	259	145	79	45	9	
Unknown.....	550	2	35	218	109	80	50	29	20	7	
Total known.....	1,420	67	138	620	244	179	95	50	25	2	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	119	0	3	34	19	23	20	12	8	0	
Rape.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Robbery.....	110	0	2	32	17	23	19	11	6	0	
Burglary.....	8	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	
Argument.....	497	0	14	191	95	96	57	30	14	0	
Domestic violence.....	130	0	1	42	30	26	17	9	5	0	
All other argument.....	367	0	13	149	65	70	40	21	9	0	
Gang-, drug-related.....	590	1	89	342	110	36	9	2	0	1	
Gang-related.....	554	1	87	327	102	28	6	2	0	1	
Drug-related.....	36	0	2	15	8	8	3	0	0	0	
Child abuse.....	76	60	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
All other.....	138	6	16	53	20	24	9	6	3	1	
			Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	8.4	0.0	2.2	5.5	7.8	12.8	21.1	24.0	-	-	
Rape.....	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	
Robbery.....	7.7	0.0	1.4	5.2	7.0	12.8	20.0	22.0	-	-	
Burglary.....	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.0	1.1	2.0	-	-	
Argument.....	35.0	0.0	10.1	30.8	38.9	53.6	60.0	60.0	-	-	
Domestic violence.....	9.2	0.0	0.7	6.8	12.3	14.5	17.9	18.0	-	-	
All other argument.....	25.8	0.0	9.4	24.0	26.6	39.1	42.1	42.0	-	-	
Gang-, drug-related.....	41.5	1.5	64.5	55.2	45.1	20.1	9.5	4.0	-	-	
Gang-related.....	39.0	1.5	63.0	52.7	41.8	15.6	6.3	4.0	-	-	
Drug-related.....	2.5	0.0	1.4	2.4	3.3	4.5	3.2	0.0	-	-	
Child abuse.....	5.4	89.6	11.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	
All other.....	9.7	9.0	11.6	8.5	8.2	13.4	9.5	12.0	-	-	

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that data are not applicable or that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 27
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2009
 Contributing Circumstance by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Number							All other	Unknown
		Rape	Robbery, burglary	Argument ¹	Gang-, drug-related	Child abuse				
Total including unknown.....	1,970	1	118	497	590	76	138		550	
Unknown.....	878	0	43	55	328	6	57		389	
Total known.....	1,092	1	75	442	262	70	81		161	
Friend, acquaintance ²	572	0	28	268	166	15	41		54	
Spouse ³	64	0	0	61	0	0	1		2	
Parent, child ⁴	96	0	0	21	0	53	6		16	
All other relatives.....	34	0	1	22	0	2	2		7	
Stranger.....	326	1	46	70	96	0	31		82	
Percent based on total known										
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0	
Friend, acquaintance ²	52.4	-	37.3	60.6	63.4	21.4	50.6		33.5	
Spouse ³	5.9	-	0.0	13.8	0.0	0.0	1.2		1.2	
Parent, child ⁴	8.8	-	0.0	4.8	0.0	75.7	7.4		9.9	
All other relatives.....	3.1	-	1.3	5.0	0.0	2.9	2.5		4.3	
Stranger.....	29.9	-	61.3	15.8	36.6	0.0	38.3		50.9	

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

Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

¹ Includes domestic violence.

² Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.

³ Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

⁴ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 28
HOMICIDE CRIMES CLEARED, 2000-2009
 Number Reported, Number Cleared, and Clearance Rate

Year(s)	Number of homicides reported	Number of homicides cleared	Clearance rate ¹
2009.....	1,970	1,248	63.4
2008.....	2,143	1,227	57.3
2007.....	2,258	1,208	53.5
2006.....	2,483	1,292	52.0
2005.....	2,503	1,249	49.9
2004.....	2,394	1,314	54.9
2003.....	2,402	1,323	55.1
2002.....	2,392	1,362	56.9
2001.....	2,201	1,091	49.6
2000.....	2,074	1,082	52.2

¹ A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes (homicides) reported that have been cleared. It is calculated by dividing the number of homicides cleared by the number of homicides reported. The result is multiplied by 100. See Appendix III - Glossary for a detailed explanation of clearances.

Table 29
**FELONY ARRESTS FOR
 SELECTED VIOLENT OFFENSES, 2000-2009**
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homicide	Forcible rape	Robbery	Assault
Number					
2009.....	122,078	1,804	2,050	21,610	96,614
2008.....	126,252	1,850	2,103	22,488	99,811
2007.....	127,633	2,017	2,164	21,614	101,838
2006.....	124,624	1,967	2,122	20,376	100,159
2005.....	123,967	1,956	2,098	18,218	101,695
2004.....	125,263	1,978	2,237	17,864	103,184
2003.....	129,522	1,839	2,456	17,501	107,726
2002.....	130,295	1,864	2,549	16,957	108,925
2001.....	134,398	1,754	2,730	17,167	112,747
2000.....	130,259	1,627	2,702	17,122	108,808
Percent change in number					
2008 to 2009.....	-3.3	-2.5	-2.5	-3.9	-3.2
2007 to 2008.....	-1.1	-8.3	-2.8	4.0	-2.0
2006 to 2007.....	2.4	2.5	2.0	6.1	1.7
2005 to 2006.....	0.5	0.6	1.1	11.8	-1.5
2004 to 2005.....	-1.0	-1.1	-6.2	2.0	-1.4
2003 to 2004.....	-3.3	7.6	-8.9	2.1	-4.2
2002 to 2003.....	-0.6	-1.3	-3.6	3.2	-1.1
2001 to 2002.....	-3.1	6.3	-6.6	-1.2	-3.4
2000 to 2001.....	3.2	7.8	1.0	0.3	3.6
2000 to 2009.....	-6.3	10.9	-24.1	26.2	-11.2
Rate per 100,000 population at risk ¹					
2009.....	403.6	6.0	6.8	71.4	319.4
2008.....	422.1	6.2	7.0	75.2	333.7
2007.....	431.8	6.8	7.3	73.1	344.5
2006.....	426.3	6.7	7.3	69.7	342.6
2005.....	430.3	6.8	7.3	63.2	353.0
2004.....	441.7	7.0	7.9	63.0	363.9
2003.....	465.6	6.6	8.8	62.9	387.3
2002.....	477.2	6.8	9.3	62.1	399.0
2001.....	502.5	6.6	10.2	64.2	421.6
2000.....	497.1	6.2	10.3	65.3	415.2
Percent change in rate					
2008 to 2009.....	-4.4	-3.2	-2.9	-5.1	-4.3
2007 to 2008.....	-2.2	-8.8	-4.1	2.9	-3.1
2006 to 2007.....	1.3	1.5	0.0	4.9	0.6
2005 to 2006.....	-0.9	-1.5	0.0	10.3	-2.9
2004 to 2005.....	-2.6	-2.9	-7.6	0.3	-3.0
2003 to 2004.....	-5.1	6.1	-10.2	0.2	-6.0
2002 to 2003.....	-2.4	-2.9	-5.4	1.3	-2.9
2001 to 2002.....	-5.0	3.0	-8.8	-3.3	-5.4
2000 to 2001.....	1.1	6.5	-1.0	-1.7	1.5
2000 to 2009.....	-18.8	-3.2	-34.0	9.3	-23.1

Notes: Rates may not add to total because of rounding.

Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

¹ Rates are based on the total population at risk (10-69 years of age).

Table 30
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000-2009
 By Gender of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	2009.....	1,804	100.0	1,620	89.8	184
2008.....	1,850	100.0	1,652	89.3	198	10.7
2007.....	2,017	100.0	1,802	89.3	215	10.7
2006.....	1,967	100.0	1,732	88.1	235	11.9
2005.....	1,956	100.0	1,737	88.8	219	11.2
2004.....	1,978	100.0	1,745	88.2	233	11.8
2003.....	1,839	100.0	1,627	88.5	212	11.5
2002.....	1,864	100.0	1,655	88.8	209	11.2
2001.....	1,754	100.0	1,537	87.6	217	12.4
2000.....	1,627	100.0	1,426	87.6	201	12.4

Table 31
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000-2009
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	2009.....	1,804	100.0	343	19.0	907	50.3	430	23.8	124
2008.....	1,850	100.0	346	18.7	944	51.0	436	23.6	124	6.7
2007.....	2,017	100.0	373	18.5	1,022	50.7	495	24.5	127	6.3
2006.....	1,967	100.0	351	17.8	910	46.3	539	27.4	167	8.5
2005.....	1,956	100.0	386	19.7	946	48.4	487	24.9	137	7.0
2004.....	1,978	100.0	409	20.7	932	47.1	476	24.1	161	8.1
2003.....	1,839	100.0	424	23.1	812	44.2	456	24.8	147	8.0
2002.....	1,864	100.0	349	18.7	897	48.1	455	24.4	163	8.7
2001.....	1,754	100.0	400	22.8	832	47.4	406	23.1	116	6.6
2000.....	1,627	100.0	374	23.0	698	42.9	397	24.4	158	9.7

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

Table 32
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000-2009
 By Age of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		Under 18		18-29		30-39		40 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2009.....	1,804	100.0	182	10.1	1,032	57.2	299	16.6	291	16.1
2008.....	1,850	100.0	221	11.9	1,098	59.4	273	14.8	258	13.9
2007.....	2,017	100.0	235	11.7	1,193	59.1	293	14.5	296	14.7
2006.....	1,967	100.0	241	12.3	1,154	58.7	267	13.6	305	15.5
2005.....	1,956	100.0	185	9.5	1,207	61.7	281	14.4	283	14.5
2004.....	1,978	100.0	185	9.4	1,143	57.8	313	15.8	337	17.0
2003.....	1,839	100.0	167	9.1	1,077	58.6	326	17.7	269	14.6
2002.....	1,864	100.0	215	11.5	1,097	58.9	293	15.7	259	13.9
2001.....	1,754	100.0	194	11.1	1,011	57.6	291	16.6	258	14.7
2000.....	1,627	100.0	160	9.8	913	56.1	299	18.4	255	15.7

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

Table 33
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2009
 Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender and Age of Arrestee

Gender and age of arrestee	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,804	100.0	343	100.0	907	100.0	430	100.0	124	100.0
Male.....	1,620	89.8	283	82.5	833	91.8	391	90.9	113	91.1
Female.....	184	10.2	60	17.5	74	8.2	39	9.1	11	8.9
Under 18.....	182	10.1	15	4.4	110	12.1	47	10.9	10	8.1
18-29.....	1,032	57.2	124	36.2	586	64.6	261	60.7	61	49.2
30-39.....	299	16.6	69	20.1	140	15.4	66	15.3	24	19.4
40 and over.....	291	16.1	135	39.4	71	7.8	56	13.0	29	23.4

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

Table 34
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2009
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender and Age of Arrestee

Gender and age of arrestee	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,804	100.0	343	100.0	907	100.0	430	100.0	124	100.0
Under 18.....	182	10.1	15	4.4	110	12.1	47	10.9	10	8.1
18-19.....	290	16.1	18	5.2	188	20.7	74	17.2	10	8.1
20-24.....	478	26.5	54	15.7	273	30.1	120	27.9	31	25.0
25-29.....	264	14.6	52	15.2	125	13.8	67	15.6	20	16.1
30-34.....	178	9.9	34	9.9	93	10.3	40	9.3	11	8.9
35-39.....	121	6.7	35	10.2	47	5.2	26	6.0	13	10.5
40-44.....	88	4.9	30	8.7	30	3.3	20	4.7	8	6.5
45-49.....	73	4.0	37	10.8	14	1.5	15	3.5	7	5.6
50-54.....	59	3.3	32	9.3	14	1.5	9	2.1	4	3.2
55 and over.....	71	3.9	36	10.5	13	1.4	12	2.8	10	8.1
Male.....	1,620	100.0	283	100.0	833	100.0	391	100.0	113	100.0
Under 18.....	171	10.6	12	4.2	106	12.7	43	11.0	10	8.8
18-19.....	267	16.5	15	5.3	172	20.6	70	17.9	10	8.8
20-24.....	441	27.2	46	16.3	258	31.0	109	27.9	28	24.8
25-29.....	236	14.6	43	15.2	115	13.8	59	15.1	19	16.8
30-34.....	152	9.4	26	9.2	82	9.8	36	9.2	8	7.1
35-39.....	108	6.7	31	11.0	39	4.7	25	6.4	13	11.5
40-44.....	68	4.2	19	6.7	23	2.8	18	4.6	8	7.1
45-49.....	64	4.0	32	11.3	12	1.4	14	3.6	6	5.3
50-54.....	51	3.1	28	9.9	14	1.7	6	1.5	3	2.7
55 and over.....	62	3.8	31	11.0	12	1.4	11	2.8	8	7.1
Female.....	184	100.0	60	100.0	74	100.0	39	100.0	11	100.0
Under 18.....	11	6.0	3	5.0	4	5.4	4	-	0	-
18-19.....	23	12.5	3	5.0	16	21.6	4	-	0	-
20-24.....	37	20.1	8	13.3	15	20.3	11	-	3	-
25-29.....	28	15.2	9	15.0	10	13.5	8	-	1	-
30-34.....	26	14.1	8	13.3	11	14.9	4	-	3	-
35-39.....	13	7.1	4	6.7	8	10.8	1	-	0	-
40-44.....	20	10.9	11	18.3	7	9.5	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	9	4.9	5	8.3	2	2.7	1	-	1	-
50-54.....	8	4.3	4	6.7	0	0.0	3	-	1	-
55 and over.....	9	4.9	5	8.3	1	1.4	1	-	2	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 35
**PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA
 SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-2009**

Year(s)	Initial sentences	Total persons under sentence of death ^{1, 2}
2009.....	29	681
2008.....	21	665
2007.....	17	659
2006.....	17	649
2005.....	22	641
2004.....	12	632
2003.....	22	626
2002.....	17	610
2001.....	25	600
2000.....	33	583
1999.....	42	550
1998.....	32	513
1997.....	40	492
1996.....	40	460
1995.....	38	427
1994.....	21	393
1993.....	34	376
1992.....	40	348
1991.....	26	308
1990.....	33	281
1989.....	33	249
1988.....	34	225
1987.....	25	203
1986.....	21	179
1985.....	16	160
1984.....	27	161
1983.....	35	143
1982.....	39	113
1981.....	39	80
1980.....	23	42
1979.....	20	25
1978.....	7	7

Source: Offender-Based Transaction Statistics, California Department of Justice (initial sentences) and California Appellate Project (total persons under sentence of death).

¹ Total persons under sentence of death on December 31 of each year. Persons with multiple California death sentences are counted once.

² The increase in the total number of persons under sentence of death from year-to-year will *not* equal the number of initial sentences reported each year. This is because, in addition to initial sentences, persons may be resentenced to death, no longer under sentence of death because of execution or death by other causes, removed pending retrial, resentenced to a penalty less than death, or freed.

Table 36
PERSONS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 2009
 Sentencing County by Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age

Sentencing county	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				Age at arrest					
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and over
Total.....	29	28	1	9	9	11	0	1	6	7	2	7	6
Contra Costa.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Los Angeles.....	13	13	0	2	2	9	0	0	6	3	0	2	2
Madera.....	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Orange.....	7	7	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	2	1	2	2
Riverside.....	4	3	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1
San Diego.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tulare.....	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Note: This table does not include persons resentenced to death after their death sentence was reversed on appeal.

Table 37
HOMICIDE CRIMES AND PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2000-2009
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Respective Population

Year(s)	California population	Homicides		Sworn law enforcement personnel ²	Peace officers killed in the line of duty	
		Number ¹	Rate		Number	Rate
2009.....	38,487,889	1,970	5.1	80,429	4	5.0
2008.....	38,148,493	2,143	5.6	81,402	3	3.7
2007.....	37,771,431	2,258	6.0	78,724	4	5.1
2006.....	37,444,385	2,483	6.6	75,625	5	6.6
2005.....	37,004,661	2,503	6.8	74,445	5	6.7
2004.....	36,590,814	2,394	6.5	73,951	4	5.4
2003.....	35,934,000	2,402	6.7	75,336	6	8.0
2002.....	35,301,000	2,392	6.8	75,612	4	5.3
2001.....	34,758,000	2,201	6.3	72,119	6	8.3
2000.....	34,480,000	2,074	6.0	69,029	2	2.9

Note: Homicide rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research

Unit, California Department of Finance.

¹ Includes peace officers feloniously killed in the line of duty.

² Personnel in the Department of Justice and other state regulatory agencies are not included.

Table 38
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2009
 By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
Total.....	4	100.0
Attempted arrest.....	2	-
Traffic pursuit/stop.....	2	-

Note: Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 39
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2009**
By Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Gender, race/ethnic group, and age of deceased	Total		Peace officer justifiable		Private citizen justifiable	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total						
Total.....	146	100.0	113	100.0	33	100.0
Gender						
Male.....	139	95.2	106	93.8	33	100.0
Female.....	7	4.8	7	6.2	0	0.0
Race/ethnic group						
White.....	33	22.6	29	25.7	4	12.1
Hispanic.....	64	43.8	49	43.4	15	45.5
Black.....	39	26.7	25	22.1	14	42.4
Other.....	9	6.2	9	8.0	0	0.0
Unknown.....	1	0.7	1	0.9	0	0.0
Age						
Under 18.....	7	4.8	5	4.4	2	6.1
18-29.....	72	49.3	52	46.0	20	60.6
18-19.....	9	6.2	6	5.3	3	9.1
20-24.....	36	24.7	27	23.9	9	27.3
25-29.....	27	18.5	19	16.8	8	24.2
30-39.....	32	21.9	26	23.0	6	18.2
30-34.....	14	9.6	13	11.5	1	3.0
35-39.....	18	12.3	13	11.5	5	15.2
40 and over.....	35	24.0	30	26.5	5	15.2
40-44.....	7	4.8	6	5.3	1	3.0
45-49.....	15	10.3	13	11.5	2	6.1
50-54.....	8	5.5	7	6.2	1	3.0
55 and over.....	5	3.4	4	3.5	1	3.0
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

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

Table 40
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2009**
By Location of Justifiable Homicide

Location of justifiable homicide	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	146	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	113	100.0
Felon's residence.....	18	15.9
Other residence.....	10	8.8
Street, sidewalk.....	49	43.4
Commercial establishment.....	8	7.1
Hotel, motel.....	0	0.0
Liquor store.....	1	0.9
Bar.....	0	0.0
Other business.....	7	6.2
All other.....	28	24.8
Parking lot.....	11	9.7
Vehicle.....	3	2.7
Field, park.....	1	0.9
Other.....	13	11.5
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	33	100.0
Citizen's, shared residence.....	8	24.2
Citizen's residence.....	6	18.2
Shared residence.....	2	6.1
Other residence.....	10	30.3
Felon's residence.....	6	18.2
Other residence.....	4	12.1
Street, sidewalk.....	3	9.1
Commercial establishment.....	5	15.2
Hotel, motel.....	0	0.0
Liquor store.....	0	0.0
Bar.....	2	6.1
Other business.....	3	9.1
All other.....	7	21.2
Parking lot.....	4	12.1
Vehicle.....	0	0.0
Field, park.....	2	6.1
Other.....	1	3.0

Note: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.

Table 41
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2009**
By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	146	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	113	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	57	50.4
Felon killed during commission of crime.....	39	34.5
Felon resisted arrest.....	4	3.5
All other.....	13	11.5
Felon attacked another peace officer.....	5	4.4
Felon attacked citizen.....	2	1.8
Felon attempted flight.....	6	5.3
Details not provided.....	0	0.0
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	33	100.0
Felon attacked citizen.....	18	54.5
Felon killed during commission of crime.....	14	42.4
Details not provided.....	1	3.0

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

Table 42
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2009**
By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total		Peace officer justifiable		Citizen justifiable	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	146	100.0	113	100.0	33	100.0
Firearm.....	132	90.4	112	99.1	20	60.6
Handgun.....	104	71.2	87	77.0	17	51.5
Rifle.....	5	3.4	5	4.4	0	0.0
Shotgun.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other firearm.....	1	0.7	1	0.9	0	0.0
Firearm - unknown type.....	22	15.1	19	16.8	3	9.1
Nonfirearm.....	14	9.6	1	0.9	13	39.4
Knife ¹	8	5.5	0	0.0	8	24.2
Personal weapon ²	3	2.1	0	0.0	3	9.1
Other ³	3	2.1	1	0.9	2	6.1

Note: Percentages may not add to subtotals or to 100.0 because of rounding.

¹ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Hands, feet, etc.

³ Poison, arson, pellet gun, drowning, etc.

Table 43
POPULATION ESTIMATES, 1960-2009

Year(s)	Total population	Population at risk		
		Total ¹	Adult ²	Juvenile ³
2009.....	38,487,889	30,250,590	25,712,251	4,538,339
2008.....	38,148,493	29,910,167	25,302,852	4,607,315
2007.....	37,771,431	29,558,540	24,902,100	4,656,440
2006.....	37,444,385	29,236,911	24,731,088	4,505,823
2005.....	37,004,661	28,809,579	24,316,140	4,493,439
2004.....	36,590,814	28,357,204	23,906,564	4,450,640
2003.....	35,934,000	27,815,344	23,295,523	4,519,821
2002.....	35,301,000	27,302,433	22,927,383	4,375,050
2001.....	34,758,000	26,745,137	22,555,739	4,189,398
2000.....	34,480,000	26,203,950	22,198,297	4,005,653
1999.....	34,036,000	25,711,892	21,855,190	3,856,702
1998.....	33,494,000	25,263,064	21,498,170	3,764,894
1997.....	32,957,000	25,760,375	21,934,916	3,825,459
1996.....	32,383,000	25,554,242	21,825,735	3,728,507
1995.....	32,063,000	25,122,782	21,505,839	3,616,943
1994.....	32,140,000	24,703,379	21,193,571	3,509,808
1993.....	31,742,000	24,334,534	20,923,632	3,410,902
1992.....	31,300,000	23,975,578	20,661,120	3,314,458
1991.....	30,646,000	23,585,168	20,356,984	3,228,184
1990.....	29,557,836	23,178,961	20,027,633	3,151,328
1989.....	28,771,207	22,524,392	19,451,763	3,072,629
1988.....	28,060,746	21,969,953	18,885,349	3,084,604
1987.....	27,388,477	21,483,563	18,378,758	3,104,805
1986.....	26,741,621	21,009,362	17,903,122	3,106,240
1985.....	26,112,632	20,563,314	17,468,941	3,094,373
1984.....	25,587,254	20,167,923	17,083,479	3,084,444
1983.....	25,075,581	19,860,746	16,763,095	3,097,651
1982.....	24,546,566	19,510,945	16,415,571	3,095,374
1981.....	24,038,711	19,172,812	16,082,355	3,090,457
1980.....	23,668,145	18,824,197	15,778,999	3,045,198
1979.....	23,255,000	18,371,691	15,323,376	3,048,315
1978.....	22,839,000	18,012,901	14,916,032	3,096,869
1977.....	22,350,000	17,619,453	14,470,680	3,148,773
1976.....	21,935,000	17,269,884	14,080,872	3,189,012
1975.....	21,537,000	16,914,556	13,694,793	3,219,763
1974.....	21,173,000	16,563,671	13,339,906	3,223,765
1973.....	20,868,000	16,237,031	13,031,007	3,206,024
1972.....	20,585,000	15,926,249	12,758,809	3,167,440
1971.....	20,346,000	15,657,238	12,542,795	3,114,443
1970.....	20,039,000	15,378,312	12,339,580	3,038,732
1969.....	19,856,000	14,697,200	11,657,600	3,039,600
1968.....	19,554,000	14,379,400	11,403,700	2,975,700
1967.....	19,478,000	14,065,700	11,159,800	2,905,900
1966.....	19,132,000	13,696,700	10,872,500	2,824,200
1965.....	18,756,000	13,377,400	10,620,600	2,756,800
1964.....	18,234,000	12,981,700	10,311,100	2,670,600
1963.....	17,675,000	12,564,600	10,047,700	2,516,900
1962.....	17,044,000	12,099,200	9,740,000	2,359,200
1961.....	16,445,000	11,697,900	9,469,100	2,228,800
1960.....	15,860,000	11,314,900	9,203,300	2,111,600

Source: Population estimates were provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

¹ Total population at risk, 10-69 years of age.

² Adult population at risk, 18-69 years of age.

³ Juvenile population at risk, 10-17 years of age.

Appendices

Appendix I

Data Characteristics and Known Limitations

HOMICIDE CRIMES

Homicide data are obtained from the Supplementary Homicide Report (SHR). The SHR is submitted monthly by local California law enforcement agencies as part of the national Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) system.

The number of reported homicide crimes represents known victims.

Per UCR definition, suicides, fetal deaths, traffic fatalities, accidental deaths, assaults to murder, and attempts to murder are not classified as criminal homicide and are not included in this report.

The findings of a court, coroner's inquest, etc., do not affect classifying or scoring of the SHR homicide counts.

Detailed data regarding the criminal homicide category can only be as comprehensive as the input provided by the individual contributing agency.

Offender data (race/ethnicity, age, and gender) are based on law enforcement identification of the offender as a suspect. No follow-up is made to determine if a conviction was obtained.

Weapon – Reporting agencies report a complete description of the weapon and the ways in which the weapon was used. For example, if a bottle was used in the commission of a murder, the agency will state whether the person was killed by beating, cutting, or stabbing.

Relationship – The relationship reported is that of the victim to the offender. For example, if a wife is killed by her husband the reported relationship is wife.

Circumstances – Statements of circumstances must be based on information known to law enforcement, not decisions of a grand jury, coroner's inquest, or other agency outside law enforcement. The reporting agency provides a brief statement as to the circumstances or precipitating events leading to the victim's death. If the killing occurred in conjunction with the commission of another felony such as a robbery or rape, the agency identifies the specific offense involved.

ARRESTS

Monthly Arrest and Citation Register (MACR)

Arrest data from the MACR reporting system are designed to collect data on the number of persons arrested, not the number of charges lodged.

If a person is arrested for multiple offenses, MACR selects only the most serious offense, based on the severity of possible punishment.

The subjectivity of the classification and labeling process must be considered in the analysis of race/ethnic group data.

Data Characteristics and Known Limitations *(continued)*

ADULT FELONY ARREST DISPOSITIONS Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS)

To provide the most valid data possible, the disposition section of this report has been removed. In 2001, Criminal Justice Statistics Center staff determined that a number of homicide arrests submitted to the DOJ's Automated Criminal History System (from which adult felony arrest disposition data are extracted) between 2000 and 2001 should have been submitted as arrests for attempted homicide. As a result, more homicide arrests were counted during these years than occurred. This caused a lower percentage of homicide convictions and a higher percentage of assault convictions. (Both percentages were based on the number of adult felony arrests for homicide for which dispositions were received.) It should be noted that the DOJ has addressed this issue and that the exclusion of disposition data does not affect crime, arrest, death penalty, or other data included in this or past reports. When homicide disposition data are once again determined to be accurate, they will be included in this publication.

POPULATION

Since 2004, the population estimates used to calculate rates have been based on revisions of the 2000 Census. Prior to 2003, these population estimates were based on revisions of the 1990 Census. Readers are advised to exercise care in interpreting changes in percent and rate between decennial census samples. In addition, the "other" population category now includes the Department of Finance's race/ethnic group of "multi-racial."

Appendix II

Computational Formulas

ARREST RATE – An arrest rate describes the number of arrests made by law enforcement agencies per 100,000 total population or per 100,000 population considered to be at risk for arrest (10–69 years of age). The at-risk population can be further distinguished by adults at risk (aged 18–69 years) and juveniles at risk (aged 10–17 years). Regardless of the population used, both rates are calculated in the same manner. An arrest rate is calculated by dividing the number of reported arrests by the respective population; the result is multiplied by 100,000. For example, in 2009 there were 1,804 homicide arrests. The total population was 38,487,889 and the total population at risk (10–69 years of age) was 30,250,950. This equals a homicide arrest rate of 4.7 per 100,000 total population and 6.0 per 100,000 total population at risk.

$$\frac{1,804}{38,487,889} = 0.000046872 \times 100,000 = 4.7 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ total population}$$

$$\frac{1,804}{30,250,950} = 0.00005964 \times 100,000 = 6.0 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ total population at risk}$$

CLEARANCE RATE – A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes reported that have been cleared. A clearance rate is calculated by dividing the number of crimes cleared by the number of crimes reported; the result is multiplied by 100. For example, in 2009 there were 1,248 homicides cleared and 1,970 homicides reported. This equals a homicide clearance rate of 63.4 percent.

$$\frac{1,248}{1,970} = 0.633502538 \times 100 = 63.4 \text{ percent}$$

CRIME RATE – A crime rate describes the number of crimes reported to law enforcement agencies per 100,000 total population. A crime rate is calculated by dividing the number of reported crimes by the total population; the result is multiplied by 100,000. For example, in 2009 there were 1,970 homicides in California and the population was 38,487,889. This equals a homicide crime rate of 5.1 per 100,000 general population.

$$\frac{1,970}{38,487,889} = 0.0000511849 \times 100,000 = 5.1 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ population}$$

PERCENT CHANGE – A percent change describes a change in number or rate from one year to another. A percent change is calculated by subtracting base-year data from current-year data; the result is divided by base-year data and multiplied by 100. For example, in 2009 the homicide crime rate was 5.1. In 2000 the homicide crime rate was 6.0. The percent change in rate from 2000 to 2009 is a 15.0 percent decrease.

$$\frac{5.1 - 6.0}{6.0} = -0.15 \times 100 = -15.0 \text{ percent}$$

Notes: When a series of rates are calculated using different populations, the rate calculated for the total will not be equal to the sum of the rates calculated for each subtotal. For example, the total arrest rate (calculated using the total at-risk population) will not equal the sum of the adult arrest rate (calculated using the adult at-risk population) and the juvenile arrest rate (calculated using the juvenile at-risk population).

Calculating rates for counties of less than 100,000 will generate an inflated rate when compared to counties with populations of 100,000 or more; therefore, rates are not calculated for counties with populations of less than 100,000.

Appendix III

Glossary

ADULT: a person 18 years of age or older.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT: an unlawful attack or attempted attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm (UCR definition).

APPEAL: a petition initiated by a defendant for a rehearing in an appellate court regarding a previous sentence or motion.

ARREST: ". . . taking a person into custody, in a case and in the manner authorized by law. An arrest may be made by a peace officer or by a private person" (834 PC).

ARREST RATE: the number of arrests per 100,000 population or population at risk. See Appendix II – Computational Formulas for further explanation.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION (CDCR): the state agency that operates all state adult prisons and juvenile facilities, oversees a variety of community correctional facilities and other important correctional facility responsibilities, and supervises all adult and juvenile parolees during their reentry into society.

CLEARANCE: an offense is "cleared by arrest" or solved, for crime reporting purposes, when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of an offense, and turned over to a court for prosecution. Although no physical arrest is made, a clearance by arrest can be claimed when an offender is a person under 18 years of age and is cited to appear in juvenile court or before other juvenile authorities. An

offense can also be "cleared exceptionally" for crime reporting purposes when an investigation has definitely established the identity of an offender; there is enough information to support an arrest; and the exact location of an offender is known but, for some reason, law enforcement cannot take the offender into custody.

CLEARANCE RATE: the percentage of crimes reported that have been cleared.

CONVICTION: a judgment, based either on the verdict of a jury or a judicial officer or on the guilty plea of the defendant, that the defendant is guilty.

COURT: an agency of the judicial branch of government, authorized or established by statute or constitution, having one or more judicial officers on its staff. A court has the authority to decide upon controversies in law and disputed matters of fact brought before it. Because of court consolidation we no longer distinguish between lower court and superior court.

CRIME: ". . . an act committed or omitted in violation of a law forbidding or commanding it. . ." (15 PC).

CRIME RATE: the number of reported crimes per 100,000 general population. See Appendix II – Computational Formulas for further explanation.

FELON: one who has committed a felony.

FELONY: a crime that is punishable by death or by imprisonment in a state prison (17 & 18 PC).

Glossary *(continued)*

FORCIBLE RAPE: the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. Assaults or attempts to commit rape by force or threat of force are included (UCR definition).

HOMICIDE: the willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another. Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter are included (UCR definition).

JUVENILE: a person under the age of 18.

MISDEMEANOR: a crime punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for up to one year.

MONTHLY ARREST AND CITATION REGISTER (MACR): a reporting system used to collect information on adult and juvenile arrests and citations by police and sheriffs' departments. This register contains data on arrest offenses, arrestee characteristics (age, gender, and race/ethnic group), and law enforcement dispositions.

OFFENDER-BASED TRANSACTION STATISTICS (OBTS): a system designed to collect statistical information on the various processes within the criminal justice system that occur between the point of the felony arrest of an adult and the point of final disposition.

OFFENSE: the charged offense is the crime for which the defendant was arrested or filed on by the district attorney. The convicted offense is the offense the defendant was convicted of or pled guilty to in court.

PENAL CODE (PC): the California Penal Code contains statutes that define criminal offenses and specify corresponding punishments. Criminal justice system mandates and procedures are also included.

POPULATION AT RISK: that portion of the total population who, because of like characteristics to the specific study group, are considered "at risk." For example, if one were studying juvenile arrestees, all persons between 10 and 17 years of age would constitute the at-risk population.

RATE: a comparison of a number of events to a population.

ROBBERY: the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by creating fear in the victim (UCR definition).

SENTENCE: the penalty imposed by a court upon a convicted person.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING (UCR): a federal reporting system that compiles crime data based on information submitted by law enforcement agencies throughout the nation. In California, the Department of Justice administers and forwards these law enforcement data to the federal program.

VIOLENT CRIMES: crimes committed against people. This category includes homicide, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

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