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I met Murder in the way -
He had a mask like Castlereagh.

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Homicide in California, 1997 contains information about the crime of homicide and its victims, demographic information about persons arrested for homicide, and information about the response of the criminal justice system. Information about the death penalty, the number of peace officers killed in the line of duty, and justifiable homicide is also included.

Most data displayed in this publication come from three data bases maintained by the California Department of Justice's Criminal Justice Statistics Center (CJSC). The Homicide File captures willful and justifiable homicide crime data; the Monthly Arrest and Citation Register captures the race/ ethnic group, age, and gender of persons arrested for homicide; and the Offender-Based Transaction Statistics system captures information about types of dispositions and sentences. Because of differences in the type of data collected, and the methods used to collect these data, the reader is cautioned against comparing data from these three collection systems.

In response to the publication evaluation survey suggestions, this year's edition of Homicide in California includes several changes. The table of contents now lists every data element displayed, and incorporates the data table index which had been located in the back of the publication. Table N-1 (Page 2) was expanded to include 1952 (the first year data were collected) through 1997 homicide data. Rates per 100,000 population were also calculated and included for these years. Homicide clearance rates are now included (see Table 29, Page 83), and CJSC publications available in either printed or electronic format (via the Internet) are listed on the inside of the back cover. Customized statistical reports or additional statistical information may be requested by contacting CJSC at the numbers provided.

## HOMICIDE CRIMES (see Pages 2-23)

- From 1996 to 1997, homicide crimes decreased 13.3 percent in rate per 100,000 population ( 9.0 vs. 7.8). From 1988 to 1997, the homicide crime rate decreased 25.7 percent (10.5 vs. 7.8).
- In 1997, the black homicide victim rate was nine and one-half times that of whites and over two and one-half times that of Hispanics (29.5 vs. 3.1 and 11.1, respectively).

■ The homicide rate for victims aged 40 and over decreased 38.9 percent from 1988 to 1997 (7.2 vs. 4.4).

■ In 1997, most white victims fell into the "aged 40 and over" category (45.9 percent). Most Hispanic and black victims fell into the "aged 18-29" category (51.0 and 46.7 percent, respectively).

- In 1997, 65.0 percent of homicide victims knew their assailant.
- Proportionately, female victims were 17 times more likely than male victims to be the spouse of the offender (20.4 vs. 1.2 percent) in 1997.
- More victims were killed by firearms in 1997 than by all other types of weapons combined (72.3 percent).

■ In 1997, 25.2 percent of homicides were gang-related; In 1988, 12.2 percent were gangrelated.

- In 1997, 52.9 percent of homicide victims aged $5-17$ were killed as a result of gang-related activities.

HOMICIDE ARRESTS (see Pages 26-29)
From 1996 to 1997, homicide arrests decreased 13.1 percent in rate per 100,000 population at risk (9.9 vs. 8.6). From 1988 to 1997, the homicide arrest rate decreased 40.3 percent (14.4 vs. 8.6).

## DISPOSITIONS OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE (see Pages 32-37)

- Approximately three-fourths of adults arrested for homicide, for which 1997 dispositions were received, were convicted of homicide or some other offense.

DEATH PENALTY SENTENCES (see Pages 40-41)

- By the end of 1997, 493 persons were under sentence of death in California. Of these, 40 were sentenced in 1997.


## PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY (see Pages 44-45)

Since 1988, 66 peace officers have been killed in the line of duty. Seven were killed in 1997.

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## Grimes

## HOMICIDE CRIMES

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. Data depicting homicide in California have been collected and published for over 45 years.

From 1996 to 1997:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 13.3 percent ( 9.0 to 7.8).
- The number of homicides decreased 11.4 percent (from 2,910 to 2,579).

Comparing 1988 to 1997:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 25.7 percent (10.5 to 7.8).

■ The number of homicides decreased 12.5 percent (from 2,947 to 2,579).

Comparing 1952 to 1997:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population increased 225.0 percent (2.4 to 7.8).

■ The number of homicides increased 824.4 percent (from 279 to 2,579).

## The 1997 homicide rate of 7.8 is the lowest since 1970.

Table N-1
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1952-1997
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

| Year(s) | Number | Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1997. | 2,579 | 7.8 |
| 1996 ............... | 2,910 | 9.0 |
| 1995 .............. | 3,530 | 11.0 |
| 1994 ............... | 3,699 | 11.5 |
| 1993 .............. | 4,095 | 12.9 |
| 1992 ............... | 3,920 | 12.5 |
| 1991 ............... | 3,876 | 12.6 |
| 1990 | 3,562 | 12.1 |
| 1989 ............... | 3,159 | 11.0 |
| 1988 ............... | 2,947 | 10.5 |
| 1987 .............. | 2,929 | 10.7 |
| 1986 ............... | 3,030 | 11.3 |
| 1985 ............. | 2,781 | 10.7 |
| 1984 ............... | 2,724 | 10.6 |
| 1983 .............. | 2,640 | 10.5 |
| 1982 ............... | 2,778 | 11.3 |
| 1981 ............... | 3,140 | 13.1 |
| 1980 ............... | 3,405 | 14.4 |
| 1979 ............... | 2,941 | 12.6 |
| 1978............... | 2,601 | 11.4 |
| 1977 ............... | 2,481 | 11.1 |
| 1976 .............. | 2,214 | 10.1 |
| 1975 .............. | 2,196 | 10.2 |
| 1974 .............. | 1,970 | 9.3 |
| 1973 ............... | 1,862 | 8.9 |
| 1972 .............. | 1,789 | 8.7 |
| 1971 ............... | 1,633 | 8.0 |
| 1970 ............... | 1,355 | 6.8 |
| 1969 ............... | 1,376 | 6.9 |
| 1968 ............... | 1,171 | 6.0 |
| 1967 | 1,051 | 5.4 |
| 1966 ............... | 897 | 4.7 |
| 1965 .............. | 892 | 4.8 |
| 1964 ............... | 758 | 4.2 |
| 1963 ............... | 656 | 3.7 |
| 1962 ............... | 671 | 3.9 |
| 1961 ............... | 609 | 3.7 |
| 1960 ............... | 620 | 3.9 |
| 1959 ............... | 515 | 3.4 |
| 1958 ............... | 547 | 3.7 |
| 1957 ............... | 497 | 3.5 |
| 1956 ............. | 474 | 3.5 |
| 1955 .............. | 417 | 3.2 |
| 1954 .............. | 419 | 3.3 |
| 1953 .............. | 276 | 2.3 |
| 1952 ............... | 279 | 2.4 |

Chart 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 1988-1997
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 1996 to 1997:

- Homicide decreased 13.3 percent ( 9.0 to 7.8 ).

■ Forcible rape decreased 2.2 percent ( 31.6 to 30.9).

- Robbery decreased 15.0 percent (290.7 to 247.0).
- Aggravated assault decreased 4.2 percent (516.9 to 495.3).

Comparing 1988 to 1997:

- Homicide decreased 25.7 percent (10.5 to 7.8 ).
- Forcible rape decreased 26.3 percent (41.9 to 30.9).

■ Robbery decreased 19.6 percent (307.2 to 247.0).

■ Aggravated assault decreased 13.7 percent (574.0 to 495.3).

## Grimes

Charts 2, 3, and 4 display homicide rates per 100,000 population for victims classified by gender, race/ethnic group, and age.

In 1997,

- The total homicide rate was 7.8 per 100,000 population.
- The male homicide rate was more than four times that of the female homicide rate ( 12.2 vs. 2.8).
- The black homicide rate was over nine and onehalf times that of whites and over two and onehalf times that of Hispanics ( 29.5 vs. 3.1 and 11.1, respectively).

Comparing 1988 to 1997:

- The male homicide rate decreased 23.3 percent. The female homicide rate decreased 41.7 percent.
- The white homicide rate decreased 45.6 percent, the Hispanic homicide rate decreased 14.6 percent, and the black homicide rate decreased 34.6 percent.


## Homicide rates decreased for all gender and race/ethnic groups shown.

Chart 2
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Gender of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population


Source: Table 2.

## Chart 3

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim Rate per 100,000 Population


Source: Table 3.

Chart 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Age of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population


Source: Table 4.

In 1997,

- Homicide victims aged 18-29 had the highest homicide rate (19.3 per 100,000 population).

Comparing 1988 to 1997:

- There was no change in the homicide rate for victims under age 18. The homicide rate decreased 4.9 percent for victims aged 18-29, 33.3 percent for victims aged 30-39, and 38.9 percent for victims aged 40 and over.
"Under age 18" is the only age category shown whose 1997 homicide rate is not lower than it was in 1988.

In 1997,
■ Males represented 81.3 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 50.0 percent of the population.

■ Females represented 18.7 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 50.0 percent of the population.

Chart 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Gender of Victim


Source: Table 5.

Chart 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender of Victim by Percent of Total Victims and Percent of Population


Sources: Table 2 and Table 5.

Chart 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim


Source: Table 6.

Chart 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Percent of Total Victims and Percent of Population


Sources: Table 3 and Table 6.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.

> As homicide victims, Hispanics and blacks are statistically over-represented when compared to the white and "other" race/ethnic group categories.

In 1997,

- Victims under age 18 represented 14.2 percent of total homicides; this age group comprised 28.3 percent of the population.
- Victims aged 18-29 represented 42.0 percent of total homicides; this age group comprised 16.1 percent of the population.

■ Victims aged $30-39$ represented 21.0 percent of total homicides; this age group comprised 17.3 percent of the population.

■ Victims aged 40 and over represented 22.8 percent of total homicides; this age group comprised 38.2 percent of the population.

As homicide victims, persons aged 18-29 and 30-39 are statistically over-represented when compared to persons under age 18 and persons aged 40 and over.

Chart 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Age of Victim


Source: Table 7.

Chart 10
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Percent of Total Victims and Percent of Population


Sources: Table 4 and Table 7.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.

Chart 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender of Victim


Source: Table 8.

Chart 12
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Age of Victim


Source: Table 9.

In 1997,

- More white victims were female than were either Hispanic or black victims (32.7 vs. 12.2 and 17.0 percent, respectively).
- More Hispanic and black victims were aged 18-29 than were white victims ( 51.0 and 46.7 vs. 21.6 percent, respectively).
- More white victims were aged 40 and over than were either Hispanic or black victims ( 45.9 vs. 13.9 and 17.5 percent, respectively).

The majority of Hispanic and black victims were younger than the majority of white homicide victims.

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When homicides were examined by the relationship of the victim to the offender, it was found that:

In 1997,

- 50.5 percent of victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders.
- 5.2 percent of victims were spouses of offenders.
- 6.6 percent of victims were parents or children of offenders.

■ 2.7 percent of the relationships of victim to offender fell in the "other relative" category.

- 35.0 percent of victims were strangers to offenders.

Comparing 1988 to 1997 :

- The proportion of homicides in which victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders decreased from 56.0 percent in 1988 to 50.5 percent in 1997.
- The proportion of homicides in which victims were strangers to offenders increased from 27.3 percent in 1988 to 35.0 percent in 1997.

Chart 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Relationship of Victim to Offender


Source: Table 11.

Chart 14
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Selected Relationships of Victims to Offenders


[^0]Chart 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender


Source: Table 12.

Chart 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender


More females were victims of spousal homicide than were males.

In 1997,

- Fewer victims under age 18 were strangers to offenders (22.2 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- More victims aged 18-29 were friends or acquaintances of offenders (55.7 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- More victims aged 40 and over were spouses of offenders (11.3 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Chart 17
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender


Source: Table 13.

Chart 18
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
County by Rate per 100,000 Population


In 1997, nine of California's 58 counties exceeded the 1997 statewide homicide rate of 7.8 per 100,000 population. When grouped:

- Four counties had homicide rates of 10.0 and over per 100,000 population.
- Twelve counties had homicide rates between 5.0 and 9.9 per 100,000 population.
- Nineteen counties had homicide rates between .0 and 4.9 per 100,000 population.
- Homicide rates were not computed for the remaining 23 counties with populations of less than 100,000.
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Source: Table 14.


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When homicides were examined by season of incident, it was found that:

■ In 1997, the incidents that led to death occurred more often in the summer than in any other season (26.3 percent).

## With the exception of 1996, homicides occurred more often in the summer.

Chart 19
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Season of Incident


Source: Table 15.

Chart 20
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Season of Incident


[^1]Chart 21
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Average Daily Number of Incidents on Weekdays and Weekends


Source: Table 16.

Chart 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Average Daily Number of Incidents on Weekdays and Weekends


Source: Table 17.

In 1997,

- On average, 6.4 homicide victims were killed each weekday and 8.6 homicide victims were killed each weekend day.
- Hispanic victims had the highest average daily number of incidents on both weekdays and weekends (2.8 and 4.1, respectively) of any race/ethnic group shown.
- Victims aged 18-29 had the highest average daily number of incidents on both weekdays and weekends (2.5 and 4.0, respectively) of any age group shown.
- Regardless of the race/ethnic group or age group shown, the average daily number of incidents on weekends equaled or exceeded the average daily number of incidents on weekdays.

When homicides were examined by location of incident, it was found that:

In 1997,

- 28.9 percent of victims were killed at their places of residence.
- 38.6 percent of homicides occurred on streets or sidewalks.
- 32.5 percent of homicides occurred in "all other" locations.
- More males were killed on streets or sidewalks (44.7 percent) than were females (11.8 percent).
- Proportionately, more females were killed at their places of residence ( 59.5 percent) than were males (21.9 percent).

Approximately 60 percent of female homicide victims were killed at their places of residence.

Chart 23
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Location of Homicide


Source: Table 19.

Chart 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender of Victim by Location of Homicide


Source: Table 19.

Chart 25
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Location of Homicide


Source: Table 19.

Chart 26
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Location of Homicide


[^2]In 1997,

- More whites than Hispanics or blacks were killed at their places of residence ( 47.7 vs .22 .2 and 25.7 percent, respectively).
- More Hispanics and blacks were killed on streets or sidewalks than were whites (44.5 and 48.5 vs. 19.9 percent, respectively).
- More victims aged 18-29 were killed on streets or sidewalks ( 48.4 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- More victims aged 40 and over were killed at their places of residence (44.7 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

When homicides were examined by type of weapon used, it was found that:

In 1997,

- 72.3 percent resulted from the use of firearms.
- 64.3 percent resulted from the use of handguns.
- 8.0 percent resulted from the use of all other types of firearms.
- 12.1 percent resulted from the use of knives.
- 5.8 percent resulted from the use of personal weapons (hands, feet, etc.).
- 4.3 percent resulted from the use of blunt objects (clubs, etc.).
- 5.6 percent resulted from the use of weapons grouped in the "all other" category.

Comparing 1988 to 1997 :

- The proportion of homicides that resulted from the use of handguns increased from 45.5 percent in 1988 to 64.3 percent in 1997.
- The proportion of homicides that resulted from the use of other types of firearms decreased from 15.9 percent in 1988 to 8.0 percent in 1997.

Chart 27
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Type of Weapon Used


Source: Table 21.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.

Chart 28
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Selected Types of Weapons Used


Source: Table 21.

Chart 29
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender of Victim by Type of Weapon Used


Source: Table 22.

Chart 30
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Type of Weapon Used


Source: Table 22.

- More males were killed with firearms (76.9 percent) than were females (51.6 percent).
- Proportionately, more females were killed with knives, personal weapons, or blunt objects (32.9 percent) than were males (19.8 percent).
- More Hispanics and blacks were killed with firearms than were whites (77.3 and 78.9 vs. 53.2 percent, respectively).

In 1997,

- More victims aged 18-29 were killed with firearms (83.1 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- Proportionately, fewer victims aged 40 and over were killed with firearms ( 54.5 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.


## Over 83 percent of homicide

 victims aged 18-29 were killed with firearms.Chart 31
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Type of Weapon Used


Source: Table 23.

Chart 32
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
By Contributing Circumstance


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

Chart 33
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Selected Contributing Circumstances


Source: Table 24.

> Gang-related homicides have increased 76.1 percent in number since 1988.

In 1997,

- More males were victims of gang-related homicides (30.1 percent) than were females (4.6 percent).
- Proportionately, more whites than Hispanics or blacks were victims of homicides which occurred as a result of an argument ( 58.2 vs. 37.9 and 39.9 percent, respectively).
- More Hispanics and blacks were victims of gang-related homicides than were whites (35.8 and 27.1 vs. 3.4 percent, respectively).

Chart 34
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender of Victim by Contributing Circumstance


Source: Table 25.
Note: Charts 32, 35, and 36 include rape with robbery and burglary. However, for a more relevant comparison between male and female victims, rape is included in the "all other" category in Chart 34. In 1997, 2.4 percent of homicide crimes involving females were rape-related.

Chart 35
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Contributing
Circumstance


Source: Table 25.

Chart 36
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance


Source: Table 26.

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Most homicide victims under age 5 were killed as a result of child abuse (69.4 percent).

- Most homicide victims aged 5-17 were killed as a result of gang- or drug-related activities (55.8 percent).
- More homicide victims aged 18-59 and aged 60 and over were killed as a result of an argument ( 47.5 and 50.8 percent, respectively) than from any other contributing circumstance shown.


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## HOMICIDE ARRESTS

Unlike crimes, which are classified by nationwide Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standards, arrests are reported by California statute definition of the offense. ${ }^{1}$ 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 homicide arrests includes murder and nonvehicular manslaughter. The federal definition of homicide includes murder and nonnegligent (nonaccidental) manslaughter.

All California law enforcement agencies report arrest and citation information to the California Department of Justice on the "Monthly Arrest and Citation Register," which lists each arrestee; includes information about age, gender, and race/ethnic group; and specifies the "most serious" arrest offense and law enforcement disposition.

In 1997,
Of 2,212 arrests for homicide:
■ 90.0 percent of arrestees $(1,990)$ were male.

- 10.0 percent (222) were female.

Chart 37
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
By Gender of Arrestee


Source: Table 31.

[^3]
## Chart 38

HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee


Source: Table 32.

Chart 39
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
By Age of Arrestee


[^4]In 1997,

- Homicide arrestees for all three race/ethnic groups shown were predominately male.

Chart 40
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender of Arrestee


Source: Table 34.

Chart 41
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Age of Arrestee


## Source: Table 34.

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- More white arrestees were aged 40 and over than were Hispanic or black arrestees (26.2 vs. 7.4 and 10.2 percent, respectively).
- Regardless of race/ethnic group, the majority of homicide arrestees fell into the aged "18-29" category.


## DISPOSITIONS

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DISPOSITIONS OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE

This section of the report describes 1997 dispositions of adults arrested for homicide, regardless of the year of arrest. Data were obtained from California's OffenderBased Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system. This system tracks the processing of adults arrested for felony offenses from arrest through final disposition using data compiled from information collected on fingerprint cards and "Disposition of Arrest and Court Action" (JUS 8715) forms.

Chart 42
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
By Type of Disposition


Source: Table 36.

Chart 43
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Gender of Arrestee by Type of Disposition


Source: Table 37.

In 1997,

- The proportions of whites, Hispanics, and blacks arrested for homicide and convicted of homicide or some other offense were approximately the same (77.9, 75.8 , and 76.0 percent, respectively).

And,
Proportionately, more arrestees under age 18 were convicted ( 94.5 percent) than were arrestees in any other age group shown. (The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.)

Chart 44
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Type of Disposition


Source: Table 37.

Chart 45
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition


[^5]${ }^{\text {a }}$ The "under 18 " age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

Chart 46
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED By Convicted Offense


Source: Table 41.

Chart 47
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Gender of Offender by Convicted Offense


Source: Table 42.

Of those adults arrested for homicide who were convicted in 1997, it was found that:

- 70.4 percent were convicted of homicide.

■ 29.6 percent were convicted of lesser crimes such as robbery or assault.

And,

- More males were convicted of homicide (72.2 percent) than were females ( 52.8 percent).

In 1997,

- Proportionately, more blacks were convicted for homicide than were whites or Hispanics (80.2 vs. 75.1 and 69.2 percent, respectively).

And,

- Proportionately, more arrestees under age 18 were convicted of homicide ( 81.2 percent) than were arrestees in any other age group shown.

Chart 48
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Race/Ethnic Group of Offender by Convicted Offense


Source: Table 42.

Chart 49
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Age of Offender by Convicted Offense


Source: Table 42.
a The "under 18 " age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

Chart 50
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Convicted Offense by Sentence


Source: Table 43.
Note: Prison includes 1997 death penalty dispositions for adults arrested for homicide.

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Of those adults arrested for homicide who were convicted in 1997, it was found that:
96.0 percent of those convicted of homicide and 56.9 percent of those convicted of lesser offenses received sentences to prison or the California Department of the Youth Authority. See the "Death Penalty Sentences" section (Pages 40-41) for additional information.

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DEATH PENALTY SENTENCES

This section contains information about persons sentenced to death in California superior courts in 1997. Death penalty data were extracted from the 1997 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.

Chart 51
PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA
SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-1997


Source: Table 44.

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During 1997, 40 persons were convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to death. These were initial death sentences only and do not include persons who were resentenced to death after their death sentences were reversed on appeal. By the end of 1997, 493 persons were under sentence of death in California.

Of the 40 persons newly sentenced to death in 1997:

- All 40 were male.
- 17 were white.
- 11 were Hispanic.
- 12 were black.
- The mean (average) age at arrest was 30 .
- Los Angeles County sentenced the largest number: 11.

Additional information can be found in Tables 44 and 45.


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## PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

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.)

Data in Tables $\mathrm{N}-2$ and $\mathrm{N}-3$ show that:

- In 1997, four peace officers were killed with handguns, two were killed with rifles, and one was killed with a shotgun.
- From 1988-1997, 66 peace officers were killed in the line of duty. The average number of peace officers killed annually was 6.6. In 1997, seven were killed.

Table N-2
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1988-1997

| Year(s) | Number of officers killed |
| :---: | :---: |
| Total ............................ | 66 |
| 1997 ....................... | 7 |
| 1996 ....................... | 5 |
| 1995 ....................... | 10 |
| 1994 ....................... | 9 |
| 1993 ....................... | 8 |
| 1992 ....................... | 5 |
| 1991 ....................... | 3 |
| 1990 ....................... | 5 |
| 1989a ...................... | 5 |
| $1988{ }^{\text {b }}$...................... | 9 |

a Includes 1 reported federal law enforcement officer.
b Includes 2 reported federal law enforcement officers.

Table N-3
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1997
By Type of Weapon Used

| Type of weapon used | Total | Offender's | Officer's |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total ................... | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| Handgun .......... | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| Rifle ............... | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Shotgun ........... | 1 | 1 | 0 |

Table N-4
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1997
Race/Ethnic Group of Officer by Gender of Officer

| Race/ethnic group | Total | Gender |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female |
| Total ........... | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| White .. | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| Hispanic ....... | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Black............. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other............. | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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Data in Table N-4 show that:

In 1997, all seven peace officers killed in the line of duty were male; all seven were white.

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## justifiable homicides

## JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

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

When justifiable homicides were examined, it was found that:

In 1997,

- 99.2 percent of felons killed by peace officers were male; less than one percent (.8) were female.
- 97.8 percent of felons killed by private citizens were male; 2.2 percent were female.

Chart 52
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Gender of Deceased


Source: Table 48.

Chart 53
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Deceased


Source: Table 48.

Chart 54
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Age of Deceased


[^6]In 1997,

- 44.9 percent of felons killed by peace officers were white, 33.1 percent were Hispanic, 19.5 percent were black, and 2.5 percent fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category.
- 20.0 percent of felons killed by private citizens were white, 44.4 percent were Hispanic, 31.1 percent were black, and 4.4 percent fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category. ${ }^{1}$
- Less than one percent (.8) of felons killed by peace officers were under age 18, 39.0 percent were aged 18-29, 39.8 percent were aged $30-39,19.5$ percent were aged 40 and over, and less than one percent (.8) fell into the "unknown" age category. ${ }^{1}$
- 11.1 percent of felons killed by private citizens were under age 18, 55.6 percent were aged 18-29, 13.3 percent were aged $30-39$, and 20.0 percent were aged 40 and over.


## justifiable homicides

When justifiable homicides were examined by location, it was found that:

In 1997,

- Most felons were killed by peace officers on a street or sidewalk (63.6 percent).
- The largest proportion of felons killed by private citizens fell into the "citizen's, shared residence" category (37.8 percent).

Chart 55
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1997
By Location of Justifiable Homicide


Source: Table 49.

Chart 56
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Location of Justifiable Homicide


Source: Table 49.

Chart 57
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 1997
By Contributing Circumstance


Source: Table 50.

Chart 58
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Contributing Circumstance


Source: Table 50.

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When justifiable homicides were examined by contributing circumstance, it was found that:

In 1997,

- Most felons were killed by a peace officer while attacking the officer (79.7 percent).
- Most felons were killed by private citizens during the commission of a crime (82.2 percent).

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# appendix I 

## 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. 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 desired population; the result is multiplied by 100,000. For example, in 1997 there were 2,212 homicide arrests. The total population was $32,957,000$ and the total population at risk (10-69 years of age) was 25,760,375.

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\begin{aligned}
& \frac{2,212}{32,957,000}=.0000671 \times 100,000=6.7 \text { per } 100,000 \text { population } \\
& \frac{2,212}{25,760,375}=.0000858 \times 100,000=8.6 \text { per 100,000 population at risk }
\end{aligned}
$$

CLEARANCE RATE - A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes reported that have been cleared. It is calculated by dividing the number of crimes cleared by the number of crimes reported. The result is multiplied by 100 . For example, in 1997 there were 1,489 homicides cleared and 2,579 homicides reported. This equals a homicide clearance rate of 57.7 percent.

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\frac{1,489}{2,579}=.577356 \times 100=57.7 \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 1997 there were 2,579 homicides in California and the population was $32,957,000$. This equals a homicide crime rate of 7.8 per 100,000 general population.

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\frac{2,579}{32,957,000}=.0000782 \times 100,000=7.8
$$

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 1997 the homicide crime rate was 7.8 . In 1988 the homicide crime rate was 10.5. The percent change in rate from 1988 to 1997 is a 25.7 percent decrease.

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\frac{7.8-10.5}{10.5}=-.2571428 \times 100=-25.7 \text { percent }
$$

POPULATION AT RISK - Arrest section data tables include three comparison populations: total (10-69 years of age), adult (18-69 years of age), and juvenile (10-17 years of age).

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).

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE GLOSSARY

ACQUITTAL: a judgment of a court, based either on the verdict of a jury or a judicial officer, that the defendant is not guilty of the offense(s) for which he/she was tried.

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. See "Computational Formulas" preceding this glossary for further explanation.

## CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF THE YOUTH

AUTHORITY (CYA): the state agency which has jurisdiction over and maintains institutions as correctional schools for the reception of wards of the juvenile court and other persons committed from lower and superior courts.

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.

COMBINED CASES: cases rejected by the prosecutor in favor of other counts/cases.

COMPLAINT: a verified written accusation, filed by a prosecuting attorney with a local criminal court, which charges one or more persons with the commission of one or more offenses.

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.

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 "Computational Formulas" preceding this glossary for further explanation.

CYA: see "California Department of the Youth Authority."
DISMISSAL: a decision by a judicial officer to terminate a case without a determination of guilt or innocence.

DISPOSITION - COURT: an action taken as the result of an appearance in court by a defendant. Examples are: adults - dismissed, acquitted, or convicted; juveniles dismissed, transferred, or remanded to adult court.

DISPOSITION - LAW ENFORCEMENT: an action taken as the result of an arrest. Examples of police dispositions are: adults - released by law enforcement, referred to another jurisdiction, or a misdemeanor or felony complaint sought; juveniles - handled within the department, referred to another agency, or referred to the probation department or juvenile court.

DISPOSITION - PROSECUTOR: an action taken as the result of a complaint requested by an arresting agency. Dispositions include granting a misdemeanor or a felony complaint or denying a complaint for reasons such as lack of sufficient evidence or complainant refuses to testify.

DIVERSION: a disposition of a criminal defendant either before adjudication or following adjudication, but prior to sentencing, in which the court directs the defendant to participate in a work, educational, or rehabilitative program.

DIVERSION DISMISSED: the successful completion of a diversion program.

FELON: one who has committed a felony.
FELONY: a crime which is punishable by death or by imprisonment in a state prison (17 \& 18 PC ).

FILING: a document filed with the municipal court clerk or county clerk by a prosecuting attorney alleging that a person committed or attempted to commit a crime.

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).

JAIL: a county or city facility for incarceration of sentenced and unsentenced persons.

JUVENILE: a person under the age of 18 .
LOWER COURT: the court of original or trial jurisdiction for the prosecution of persons accused of misdemeanor or certain felony offenses. Also, lower courts may sentence certain felony offenders as well as conduct preliminary hearings to determine probable cause in cases where felony offenders are subject to the jurisdiction of superior courts.

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.

PC (PENAL CODE): 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.

PRISON: a state correctional facility where persons are confined following conviction for a felony offense.

PROBATION: a judicial requirement that a person fulfill certain conditions of behavior in lieu of a sentence to confinement. See "Straight Probation."

PROBATION WITH JAIL: a type of disposition given upon conviction which imposes a jail term as a condition of probation.

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

REMAND: to send back (a case) to another court for further action.

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.

STRAIGHT PROBATION: probation granted to adults without condition or stipulation that the defendant serve time in jail as a condition of probation.

SUPERIOR COURT: the court of original or trial jurisdiction for felony cases and all juvenile hearings. Also, the first court of appeal for lower court cases.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING (UCR): a federal reporting system which 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.

YOUTH AUTHORITY: see "California Department of the Youth Authority."

## PUBLICATION EVALUATION SURVEY RESULTS

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATISTICS CENTER (CJSC) Publication Evaluation Form

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We would like to know how Homicide in California, 1996 has been useful to you or your organization. Please take a few moments to complete and return this Publication Evaluation Form. Responses are very important and will be used to improve future editions. Thank you.

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Table A-1
PUBLICATION EVALUATION SURVEY RESULTS Homicide in California, 1996

| Surveys mailed and satisfaction rating | Number | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total surveys mailed ............ | 1,949 | 100.0 |
| Not returned ... | 1,884 | 96.7 |
| Returned ........................ | 65 | 3.3 |
| Satisfaction rating ............ | 65 | 100.0 |
| 1 - Not satisfied............ | 0 | . 0 |
| 2 - ................. | 2 | 3.1 |
| 3 - ............................. | 2 | 3.1 |
| 4 - | 22 | 33.8 |
| 5 - Very satisfied .......... | 32 | 49.2 |
| Rating not indicated ...... | 7 | 10.8 |

## Summary:

Of the surveys mailed, 3.3 percent were returned. Of these, 83.1 percent received satisfaction ratings of "4" and above.

In response to survey suggestions, this year's edition of Homicide in California includes several changes. The table of contents now lists every data element displayed and incorporates the data table index which had been located in the back of the publication. Table N -1 (Page 2) was expanded to include 1952 (the first year data were collected) through 1997 homicide data. Rates per 100,000 population were also calculated and included for these years. Homicide clearance rates are now included (see Table 29, Page 83), and CJSC publications available in either printed or electronic format (via the Internet) are now listed on the inside of the back cover. The information necessary to obtain these publications, customized statistical reports, or additional statistical information is also listed.

Because data must be grouped for publication purposes, not all data captured by the Homicide File can be displayed. For example, interest was expressed in homicide victims identified as Asian/Pacific Islanders, and requests were made for additional information about juvenile, gang, domestic violence,
and hate crime related homicide. These data, and more, are available and may be obtained by contacting the CJSC.

Some survey respondents expressed interest in information not collected by the CJSC but which is available elsewhere. For example, in-depth information about law enforcement officer-involved incidents can be found in the FBI publications Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted and Killed in the Line of Duty. And, detailed information about subjects such as "initial charges by the county," "actual sentences and lengths of time served," "degrees of murder," "juveniles killed while on probation or in county/community programs," and "referral information for families of homicide victims" can be obtained by contacting appropriate city, county, and state agencies and community organizations.

The human being says that the beast in him has been aroused,
when what he actually means is that the human being in him has been aroused. JAMES THURBER, "The Trouble With Man is Man,"

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Crime as Reported by Selected California Agencies, January through September (1995 to current)

Hate Crime in California (1995 to current)
Homicide in California ( 1995 to current)
Preliminary Report, Crime 1996 (January through December)
Preliminary Report, Crime (1997 to current) (January through June)
Preliminary Report, Crime 1997 (January through December)

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Hate Crime in California
Homicide in California
Preliminary Report, Crime (January through June and January through December)

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Coordinating Justice in California: "There ought to be a law about it" (December 1988)

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The Development of California Drunk Driving Legislation (December 1988)
Employment and Crime (February 1989)
The Impact of California's "Prior Felony Conviction" Law (September 1987)
The Origins and Development of Penalties for Drunk Drivers in California (August 1988)

A Policy Role for Focus Groups: Community Corrections (September 1991)

The Prevalence and Incidence of Arrests Among Adult Males in California (August 1988)
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# TABLE 1 

VIOLENT CRIMES, 1988-1997
Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Percent Change

| Year(s) | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Homi- } \\ & \text { cide } \end{aligned}$ | Forcible rape | Robbery | Aggravated assault |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1997................ | 257,409 | 2,579 | 10,182 | 81,413 | 163,235 |
| 1996............... | 274,675 | 2,910 | 10,238 | 94,137 | 167,390 |
| 1995............... | 304,998 | 3,530 | 10,550 | 104,581 | 186,337 |
| 1994................ | 318,946 | 3,699 | 10,960 | 112,149 | 192,138 |
| 1993............... | 336,100 | 4,095 | 11,754 | 126,347 | 193,904 |
| 1992............... | 345,508 | 3,920 | 12,751 | 130,867 | 197,970 |
| 1991............... | 330,916 | 3,876 | 12,942 | 125,105 | 188,993 |
| 1990............... | 311,923 | 3,562 | 12,716 | 112,460 | 183,185 |
| 1989............... | 284,015 | 3,159 | 11,956 | 96,424 | 172,476 |
| 1988............... | 261,990 | 2,947 | 11,771 | 86,190 | 161,082 |
| Percent change in number |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996-1997......... | -6.3 | -11.4 | -. 5 | -13.5 | -2.5 |
| 1995-1996........ | -9.9 | -17.6 | -3.0 | -10.0 | -10.2 |
| 1994-1995......... | -4.4 | -4.6 | -3.7 | -6.7 | -3.0 |
| 1993-1994........ | -5.1 | -9.7 | -6.8 | -11.2 | -. 9 |
| 1992-1993......... | -2.7 | 4.5 | -7.8 | -3.5 | -2.1 |
| 1991-1992........ | 4.4 | 1.1 | -1.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| 1990-1991........ | 6.1 | 8.8 | 1.8 | 11.2 | 3.2 |
| 1989-1990......... | 9.8 | 12.8 | 6.4 | 16.6 | 6.2 |
| 1988-1989........ | 8.4 | 7.2 | 1.6 | 11.9 | 7.1 |
| 1988-1997. | -1.7 | -12.5 | -13.5 | -5.5 | 1.3 |
| Rate per 100,000 population |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1997............... | 781.0 | 7.8 | 30.9 | 247.0 | 495.3 |
| 1996............... | 848.2 | 9.0 | 31.6 | 290.7 | 516.9 |
| 1995............... | 951.2 | 11.0 | 32.9 | 326.2 | 581.2 |
| 1994................ | 992.4 | 11.5 | 34.1 | 348.9 | 597.8 |
| 1993............... | 1,058.8 | 12.9 | 37.0 | 398.0 | 610.9 |
| 1992..... | 1,103.9 | 12.5 | 40.7 | 418.1 | 632.5 |
| 1991.............. | 1,079.8 | 12.6 | 42.2 | 408.2 | 616.7 |
| 1990............... | 1,055.3 | 12.1 | 43.0 | 380.5 | 619.8 |
| 1989............... | 987.2 | 11.0 | 41.6 | 335.1 | 599.5 |
| 1988. | 933.7 | 10.5 | 41.9 | 307.2 | 574.0 |
| Percent change in rate |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996-1997......... | -7.9 | -13.3 | -2.2 | -15.0 | -4.2 |
| 1995-1996........ | -10.8 | -18.2 | -4.0 | -10.9 | -11.1 |
| 1994-1995...... | -4.2 | -4.3 | -3.5 | -6.5 | -2.8 |
| 1993-1994......... | -6.3 | -10.9 | -7.8 | -12.3 | -2.1 |
| 1992-1993......... | -4.1 | 3.2 | -9.1 | -4.8 | -3.4 |
| 1991-1992.. | 2.2 | -. 8 | -3.6 | 2.4 | 2.6 |
| 1990-1991........ | 2.3 | 4.1 | -1.9 | 7.3 | -. 5 |
| 1989-1990......... | 6.9 | 10.0 | 3.4 | 13.5 | 3.4 |
| 1988-1989....... | 5.7 | 4.8 | -. 7 | 9.1 | 4.4 |
| 1988-1997......... | -16.4 | -25.7 | -26.3 | -19.6 | -13.7 |

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

- Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Researct California Department of Finance.

TABLE 2

## HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997

By Gender of Victim
Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

| Gender of victim | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims........ | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Percent of victims........... | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Population..................... | 28,060,746 | 28,771,207 | 29,557,836 | 30,646,000 | 31,300,000 | 31,742,000 | 32,140,000 | 32,063,000 | 32,383,000 | 32,957,000 |
| Percent of population........ | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Rate............................ | 10.5 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 7.8 |
| Male ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 2,258 | 2,495 | 2,881 | 3,140 | 3,220 | 3,338 | 3,090 | 2,901 | 2,368 | 2,097 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 76.6\% | 79.0\% | 80.9\% | 81.0\% | 82.1\% | 81.5\% | 83.5\% | 82.2\% | 81.4\% | 81.3\% |
| Population.................. | 14,172,866 | 14,567,709 | 15,005,864 | 15,345,534 | 15,680,019 | 15,826,148 | 16,302,037 | 16,643,729 | 16,979,256 | 17,135,207 |
| Percent of population..... | 49.9\% | 50.0\% | 50.1\% | 50.1\% | 50.1\% | 49.9\% | 50.1\% | 50.1\% | 50.1\% | 50.0\% |
| Rate......................... | 15.9 | 17.1 | 19.2 | 20.5 | 20.5 | 21.1 | 19.0 | 17.4 | 13.9 | 12.2 |
| Female |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims........ | 689 | 664 | 681 | 736 | 700 | 757 | 609 | 629 | 542 | 482 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 23.4\% | 21.0\% | 19.1\% | 19.0\% | 17.9\% | 18.5\% | 16.5\% | 17.8\% | 18.6\% | 18.7\% |
| Population.................. | 14,220,282 | 14,574,570 | 14,970,139 | 15,300,542 | 15,620,115 | 15,868,588 | 16,218,103 | 16,545,201 | 16,884,383 | 17,159,994 |
| Percent of population..... | 50.1\% | 50.0\% | 49.9\% | 49.9\% | 49.9\% | 50.1\% | 49.9\% | 49.9\% | 49.9\% | 50.0\% |
| Rate.......................... | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 2.8 |

Notes: Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance
Population breakdowns by gender will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
Population breakdowns by gender will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
${ }^{1}$ The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined: 1989 includes 1, 1990 includes 2, 1992 includes 1, 1993 includes 2,1994 includes 7 , 1995 includes 6 , and 19 includes 5 .

TABLE 3
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

| Race/ethnic group of victim | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims............ | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Percent of victims........... | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Population.................... | 28,060,746 | 28,771,207 | 29,557,836 | 30,646,000 | 31,300,000 | 31,742,000 | 32,140,000 | 32,063,000 | 32,383,000 | 32,957,000 |
| Percent of population....... | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Rate........................... | 10.5 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 7.8 |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 948 | 871 | 872 | 971 | 914 | 952 | 771 | 726 | 617 | 547 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 32.2\% | 27.6\% | 24.5\% | 25.1\% | 23.3\% | 23.2\% | 20.8\% | 20.6\% | 21.2\% | 21.2\% |
| Population.................. | 16,636,033 | 16,887,407 | 17,198,646 | 17,291,782 | 17,362,245 | 17,324,679 | 17,511,489 | 17,593,222 | 17,787,715 | 17,849,510 |
| Percent of population.... | 58.6\% | 57.9\% | 57.4\% | 56.4\% | 55.5\% | 54.7\% | 53.8\% | 53.0\% | 52.5\% | 52.0\% |
| Rate......................... | 5.7 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 3.1 |
| Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 917 | 1,115 | 1,495 | 1,542 | 1,686 | 1,631 | 1,572 | 1,615 | 1,291 | 1,154 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 31.1\% | 35.3\% | 42.0\% | 39.8\% | 43.0\% | 39.8\% | 42.5\% | 45.8\% | 44.4\% | 44.7\% |
| Population.................. | 7,046,697 | 7,383,779 | 7,740,303 | 8,146,876 | 8,561,349 | 8,906,439 | 9,340,495 | 9,764,691 | 10,114,228 | 10,421,039 |
| Percent of population.... | 24.8\% | 25.3\% | 25.8\% | 26.6\% | 27.4\% | 28.1\% | 28.7\% | 29.4\% | 29.9\% | 30.4\% |
| Rate......................... | 13.0 | 15.1 | 19.3 | 18.9 | 19.7 | 18.3 | 16.8 | 16.5 | 12.8 | 11.1 |
| Black |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 917 | 1,011 | 1,017 | 1,101 | 1,073 | 1,249 | 1,111 | 922 | 794 | 682 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 31.1\% | 32.0\% | 28.6\% | 28.4\% | 27.4\% | 30.5\% | 30.0\% | 26.1\% | 27.3\% | 26.4\% |
| Population.................. | 2,032,643 | 2,072,255 | 2,116,415 | 2,155,334 | 2,191,898 | 2,179,651 | 2,255,738 | 2,293,634 | 2,330,391 | 2,314,836 |
| Percent of population.... | 7.2\% | 7.1\% | 7.1\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.9\% | 6.9\% | 6.9\% | 6.9\% | 6.7\% |
| Rate......................... | 45.1 | 48.8 | 48.1 | 51.1 | 49.0 | 57.3 | 49.3 | 40.2 | 34.1 | 29.5 |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 151 | 143 | 172 | 247 | 234 | 247 | 226 | 254 | 198 | 177 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 5.1\% | 4.5\% | 4.8\% | 6.4\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.1\% | 7.2\% | 6.8\% | 6.9\% |
| Population.................. | 2,677,775 | 2,798,838 | 2,920,639 | 3,052,084 | 3,184,642 | 3,283,967 | 3,412,418 | 3,537,383 | 3,631,305 | 3,709,816 |
| Percent of population.... | 9.4\% | 9.6\% | 9.7\% | 10.0\% | 10.2\% | 10.4\% | 10.5\% | 10.7\% | 10.7\% | 10.8\% |
| Rate......................... | 5.6 | 5.1 | 5.9 | 8.1 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 7.2 | 5.5 | 4.8 |
| Unknown |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 14 | 19 | 6 | 15 | 13 | 16 | 19 | 13 | 10 | 19 |
| Percent of total victims.. | . $5 \%$ | .6\% | .2\% | .4\% | .3\% | .4\% | .5\% | .4\% | .3\% | .7\% |
| Population.................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Percent of population.... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Rate......................... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance,
Population breakdowns by race/ethnic group will not add to total because of variations in population source data
Wn" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown race/ethnic group population data
The "percent of population" category for race/ethnic group was calculated using the sum of the race/ethnic group populations.

TABLE 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Age of Victim
Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

| Age of victim | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims........... | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Percent of victims........... | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Population..................... | 28,060,746 | 28,771,207 | 29,557,836 | 30,646,000 | 31,300,000 | 31,742,000 | 32,140,000 | 32,063,000 | 32,383,000 | 32,957,000 |
| Percent of population....... | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Rate............................ | 10.5 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 7.8 |
| Under 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 281 | 361 | 428 | 483 | 489 | 512 | 470 | 519 | 421 | 361 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 9.5\% | 11.4\% | 12.0\% | 12.5\% | 12.5\% | 12.5\% | 12.7\% | 14.7\% | 14.5\% | 14.0\% |
| Population.................. | 7,537,277 | 7,670,041 | 7,869,864 | 8,123,819 | 8,391,266 | 8,651,941 | 8,917,191 | 9,191,662 | 9,456,115 | 9,701,218 |
| Percent of population.... | 26.5\% | 26.3\% | 26.3\% | 26.5\% | 26.8\% | 27.3\% | 27.4\% | 27.7\% | 27.9\% | 28.3\% |
| Rate......................... | 3.7 | 4.7 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 4.5 | 3.7 |
| 18-29 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 1,266 | 1,382 | 1,640 | 1,717 | 1,719 | 1,763 | 1,603 | 1,510 | 1,183 | 1,068 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 43.0\% | 43.7\% | 46.0\% | 44.3\% | 43.9\% | 43.1\% | 43.3\% | 42.8\% | 40.7\% | 41.4\% |
| Population.................. | 6,232,694 | 6,333,004 | 6,360,597 | 6,246,754 | 6,171,771 | 5,863,383 | 5,934,537 | 5,854,943 | 5,770,311 | 5,537,727 |
| Percent of population.... | 22.0\% | 21.7\% | 21.2\% | 20.4\% | 19.7\% | 18.5\% | 18.2\% | 17.6\% | 17.0\% | 16.1\% |
| Rate......................... | 20.3 | 21.8 | 25.8 | 27.5 | 27.9 | 30.1 | 27.0 | 25.8 | 20.5 | 19.3 |
| 30-39 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims........ | 662 | 713 | 765 | 863 | 842 | 934 | 861 | 737 | 630 | 534 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 22.5\% | 22.6\% | 21.5\% | 22.3\% | 21.5\% | 22.8\% | 23.3\% | 20.9\% | 21.6\% | 20.7\% |
| Population.................. | 4,919,327 | 5,111,913 | 5,337,491 | 5,510,403 | 5,656,892 | 5,747,693 | 5,874,969 | 5,942,572 | 5,968,805 | 5,942,241 |
| Percent of population.... | 17.3\% | 17.5\% | 17.8\% | 18.0\% | 18.1\% | 18.1\% | 18.1\% | 17.9\% | 17.6\% | 17.3\% |
| Rate......................... | 13.5 | 13.9 | 14.3 | 15.7 | 14.9 | 16.2 | 14.7 | 12.4 | 10.6 | 9.0 |
| 40 and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 697 | 666 | 683 | 754 | 834 | 842 | 698 | 719 | 636 | 580 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 23.7\% | 21.1\% | 19.2\% | 19.5\% | 21.3\% | 20.6\% | 18.9\% | 20.4\% | 21.9\% | 22.5\% |
| Population.................. | 9,703,850 | 10,027,321 | 10,408,051 | 10,765,100 | 11,080,205 | 11,431,719 | 11,793,443 | 12,199,753 | 12,668,408 | 13,114,015 |
| Percent of population.... | 34.2\% | 34.4\% | 34.7\% | 35.1\% | 35.4\% | 36.1\% | 36.3\% | 36.8\% | 37.4\% | 38.2\% |
| Rate......................... | 7.2 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 4.4 |
| Unknown |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of victims......... | 41 | 37 | 46 | 59 | 36 | 44 | 67 | 45 | 40 | 36 |
| Percent of total victims.. | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 1.3\% | 1.5\% | . $9 \%$ | 1.1\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% |
| Population.................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Percent of population.... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Rate......................... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.
opulation 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.
The "percent of population" category for age group was calculated using the sum of the age populations.

TABLE 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Gender of Victim

| Year(s) | Total |  | Male $^{1}$ |  | Female |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| $1997 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 2,579 | 100.0 | 2,097 | 81.3 | 482 | 18.7 |
| $1996 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 2,910 | 100.0 | 2,368 | 81.4 | 542 | 18.6 |
| $1995 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,530 | 100.0 | 2,901 | 82.2 | 629 | 17.8 |
| $1994 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,699 | 100.0 | 3,090 | 83.5 | 609 | 16.5 |
| $1993 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 4,095 | 100.0 | 3,338 | 81.5 | 757 | 18.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1992 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,920 | 100.0 | 3,220 | 82.1 | 700 | 17.9 |
| $1991 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,876 | 100.0 | 3,140 | 81.0 | 736 | 19.0 |
| $1990 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,562 | 100.0 | 2,881 | 80.9 | 681 | 19.1 |
| $1989 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,159 | 100.0 | 2,495 | 79.0 | 664 | 21.0 |
| $1988 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 2,947 | 100.0 | 2,258 | 76.6 | 689 | 23.4 |

${ }^{1}$ The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined: 1989 includes 1, 1990 includes 2, 1992 includes 1, 1993 includes 2, 1994 includes 7, 1995 includes 6, and 1997 includes 5.

TABLE 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

| Year(s) | Total including unknown | Unknown | Known race/ethnic group of victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total |  | White |  | Hispanic |  | Black |  | Other |  |
|  |  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 1997.............. | 2,579 | 19 | 2,560 | 100.0 | 547 | 21.4 | 1,154 | 45.1 | 682 | 26.6 | 177 | 6.9 |
| 1996.............. | 2,910 | 10 | 2,900 | 100.0 | 617 | 21.3 | 1,291 | 44.5 | 794 | 27.4 | 198 | 6.8 |
| 1995.............. | 3,530 | 13 | 3,517 | 100.0 | 726 | 20.6 | 1,615 | 45.9 | 922 | 26.2 | 254 | 7.2 |
| 1994.............. | 3,699 | 19 | 3,680 | 100.0 | 771 | 21.0 | 1,572 | 42.7 | 1,111 | 30.2 | 226 | 6.1 |
| 1993.............. | 4,095 | 16 | 4,079 | 100.0 | 952 | 23.3 | 1,631 | 40.0 | 1,249 | 30.6 | 247 | 6.1 |
| 1992.............. | 3,920 | 13 | 3,907 | 100.0 | 914 | 23.4 | 1,686 | 43.2 | 1,073 | 27.5 | 234 | 6.0 |
| 1991.............. | 3,876 | 15 | 3,861 | 100.0 | 971 | 25.1 | 1,542 | 39.9 | 1,101 | 28.5 | 247 | 6.4 |
| 1990.............. | 3,562 | 6 | 3,556 | 100.0 | 872 | 24.5 | 1,495 | 42.0 | 1,017 | 28.6 | 172 | 4.8 |
| 1989.............. | 3,159 | 19 | 3,140 | 100.0 | 871 | 27.7 | 1,115 | 35.5 | 1,011 | 32.2 | 143 | 4.6 |
| 1988.............. | 2,947 | 14 | 2,933 | 100.0 | 948 | 32.3 | 917 | 31.3 | 917 | 31.3 | 151 | 5.1 |

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

TABLE 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
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 |
| 1997............ | 2,579 | 36 | 2,543 | 100.0 | 361 | 14.2 | 1,068 | 42.0 | 534 | 21.0 | 580 | 22.8 |
| 1996............ | 2,910 | 40 | 2,870 | 100.0 | 421 | 14.7 | 1,183 | 41.2 | 630 | 22.0 | 636 | 22.2 |
| 1995..... | 3,530 | 45 | 3,485 | 100.0 | 519 | 14.9 | 1,510 | 43.3 | 737 | 21.1 | 719 | 20.6 |
| 1994............ | 3,699 | 67 | 3,632 | 100.0 | 470 | 12.9 | 1,603 | 44.1 | 861 | 23.7 | 698 | 19.2 |
| 1993............ | 4,095 | 44 | 4,051 | 100.0 | 512 | 12.6 | 1,763 | 43.5 | 934 | 23.1 | 842 | 20.8 |
| 1992............ | 3,920 | 36 | 3,884 | 100.0 | 489 | 12.6 | 1,719 | 44.3 | 842 | 21.7 | 834 | 21.5 |
| 1991............ | 3,876 | 59 | 3,817 | 100.0 | 483 | 12.7 | 1,717 | 45.0 | 863 | 22.6 | 754 | 19.8 |
| 1990............ | 3,562 | 46 | 3,516 | 100.0 | 428 | 12.2 | 1,640 | 46.6 | 765 | 21.8 | 683 | 19.4 |
| 1989............ | 3,159 | 37 | 3,122 | 100.0 | 361 | 11.6 | 1,382 | 44.3 | 713 | 22.8 | 666 | 21.3 |
| 1988............ | 2,947 | 41 | 2,906 | 100.0 | 281 | 9.7 | 1,266 | 43.6 | 662 | 22.8 | 697 | 24.0 |

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

TABLE 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
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............. | 2,579 | 100.0 | 547 | 100.0 | 1,154 | 100.0 | 682 | 100.0 | 177 | 100.0 | 19 | 100.0 |
| Male ${ }^{1}$......... | 2,097 | 81.3 | 368 | 67.3 | 1,013 | 87.8 | 566 | 83.0 | 135 | 76.3 | 15 | - |
| Female........ | 482 | 18.7 | 179 | 32.7 | 141 | 12.2 | 116 | 17.0 | 42 | 23.7 | 4 | - |

[^7]'The "male" category includes 5 homicide victims whose gender could not be determined.

TABLE 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
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. | 2,579 |  | 547 |  | 1,154 |  | 682 |  | 177 |  | 19 |  |
| Unknown................. | 36 |  | 5 |  | 10 |  | 3 |  | 4 |  | 14 |  |
| Total known.............. | 2,543 | 100.0 | 542 | 100.0 | 1,144 | 100.0 | 679 | 100.0 | 173 | 100.0 | 5 | 100.0 |
| Under 18.............. | 361 | 14.2 | 66 | 12.2 | 177 | 15.5 | 75 | 11.0 | 41 | 23.7 | 2 | - |
| 18-29.................. | 1,068 | 42.0 | 117 | 21.6 | 583 | 51.0 | 317 | 46.7 | 49 | 28.3 | 2 | - |
| 30-39................... | 534 | 21.0 | 110 | 20.3 | 225 | 19.7 | 168 | 24.7 | 31 | 17.9 | 0 | - |
| 40 and over........... | 580 | 22.8 | 249 | 45.9 | 159 | 13.9 | 119 | 17.5 | 52 | 30.1 | 1 | - |

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

TABLE 10
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
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................ | 2,579 | 100.0 | 547 | 100.0 | 1,154 | 100.0 | 682 | 100.0 | 177 | 100.0 | 19 | 100.0 |
| Under 18......... | 361 | 14.0 | 66 | 12.1 | 177 | 15.3 | 75 | 11.0 | 41 | 23.2 | 2 | - |
| 18-19............ | 198 | 7.7 | 18 | 3.3 | 123 | 10.7 | 47 | 6.9 | 10 | 5.6 | 0 | - |
| 20-24............ | 500 | 19.4 | 49 | 9.0 | 265 | 23.0 | 161 | 23.6 | 25 | 14.1 | 0 | - |
| 25-29............ | 370 | 14.3 | 50 | 9.1 | 195 | 16.9 | 109 | 16.0 | 14 | 7.9 | 2 | - |
| 30-34............ | 300 | 11.6 | 56 | 10.2 | 139 | 12.0 | 92 | 13.5 | 13 | 7.3 | 0 | - |
| 35-39............ | 234 | 9.1 | 54 | 9.9 | 86 | 7.5 | 76 | 11.1 | 18 | 10.2 | 0 | - |
| 40-44............ | 172 | 6.7 | 62 | 11.3 | 55 | 4.8 | 36 | 5.3 | 19 | 10.7 | 0 | - |
| 45-49............ | 140 | 5.4 | 54 | 9.9 | 45 | 3.9 | 33 | 4.8 | 8 | 4.5 | 0 | - |
| 50-54............ | 79 | 3.1 | 32 | 5.9 | 21 | 1.8 | 19 | 2.8 | 6 | 3.4 | 1 | - |
| 55 and over.... | 189 | 7.3 | 101 | 18.5 | 38 | 3.3 | 31 | 4.5 | 19 | 10.7 | 0 | - |
| Unknown........ | 36 | 1.4 | 5 | . 9 | 10 | . 9 | 3 | . 4 | 4 | 2.3 | 14 | - |
| Male ${ }^{1} . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 2,097 | 100.0 | 368 | 100.0 | 1,013 | 100.0 | 566 | 100.0 | 135 | 100.0 | 15 | 100.0 |
| Under 18..... | 288 | 13.7 | 45 | 12.2 | 150 | 14.8 | 59 | 10.4 | 33 | 24.4 | 1 | - |
| 18-19......... | 173 | 8.2 | 10 | 2.7 | 112 | 11.1 | 42 | 7.4 | 9 | 6.7 | 0 | - |
| 20-24......... | 454 | 21.6 | 40 | 10.9 | 249 | 24.6 | 144 | 25.4 | 21 | 15.6 | 0 | - |
| 25-29......... | 314 | 15.0 | 37 | 10.1 | 171 | 16.9 | 94 | 16.6 | 10 | 7.4 | 2 | - |
| 30-34......... | 249 | 11.9 | 35 | 9.5 | 121 | 11.9 | 81 | 14.3 | 12 | 8.9 | 0 | - |
| 35-39......... | 177 | 8.4 | 34 | 9.2 | 72 | 7.1 | 56 | 9.9 | 15 | 11.1 | 0 | - |
| 40-44......... | 122 | 5.8 | 46 | 12.5 | 44 | 4.3 | 24 | 4.2 | 8 | 5.9 | 0 | - |
| 45-49......... | 108 | 5.2 | 34 | 9.2 | 39 | 3.8 | 28 | 4.9 | 7 | 5.2 | 0 | - |
| 50-54......... | 56 | 2.7 | 24 | 6.5 | 14 | 1.4 | 13 | 2.3 | 4 | 3.0 | 1 | - |
| 55 and over.. | 127 | 6.1 | 59 | 16.0 | 31 | 3.1 | 24 | 4.2 | 13 | 9.6 | 0 | - |
| Unknown..... | 29 | 1.4 | 4 | 1.1 | 10 | 1.0 | 1 | . 2 | 3 | 2.2 | 11 | - |
| Female........... | 482 | 100.0 | 179 | 100.0 | 141 | 100.0 | 116 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 4 | 100.0 |
| Under 18..... | 73 | 15.1 | 21 | 11.7 | 27 | 19.1 | 16 | 13.8 | 8 | - | 1 | - |
| 18-19......... | 25 | 5.2 | 8 | 4.5 | 11 | 7.8 | 5 | 4.3 | 1 | - | 0 | - |
| 20-24......... | 46 | 9.5 | 9 | 5.0 | 16 | 11.3 | 17 | 14.7 | 4 | - | 0 | - |
| 25-29......... | 56 | 11.6 | 13 | 7.3 | 24 | 17.0 | 15 | 12.9 | 4 | - | 0 | - |
| 30-34......... | 51 | 10.6 | 21 | 11.7 | 18 | 12.8 | 11 | 9.5 | 1 | - | 0 | - |
| 35-39......... | 57 | 11.8 | 20 | 11.2 | 14 | 9.9 | 20 | 17.2 | 3 | - | 0 | - |
| 40-44......... | 50 | 10.4 | 16 | 8.9 | 11 | 7.8 | 12 | 10.3 | 11 | - | 0 | - |
| 45-49......... | 32 | 6.6 | 20 | 11.2 | 6 | 4.3 | 5 | 4.3 | 1 | - | 0 | - |
| 50-54......... | 23 | 4.8 | 8 | 4.5 | 7 | 5.0 | 6 | 5.2 | 2 | - | 0 | - |
| 55 and over.. | 62 | 12.9 | 42 | 23.5 | 7 | 5.0 | 7 | 6.0 | 6 | - | 0 | - |
| Unknown..... | 7 | 1.5 | 1 | . 6 | 0 | . 0 | 2 | 1.7 | 1 | - | 3 | - |

[^8]TABLE 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Relationship of Victim to Offender

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Relationship } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { victim to offender } \end{gathered}$ | 1988 |  | 1989 |  | 1990 |  | 1991 |  | 1992 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total including unknown.......... | 2,947 |  | 3,159 |  | 3,562 |  | 3,876 |  | 3,920 |  |
| Unknown......................... | 822 |  | 885 |  | 1,020 |  | 1,318 |  | 1,011 |  |
| Total known..................... | 2,125 | 100.0 | 2,274 | 100.0 | 2,542 | 100.0 | 2,558 | 100.0 | 2,909 | 100.0 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{1} . . . . . . .$. | 1,189 | 56.0 | 1,163 | 51.1 | 1,328 | 52.2 | 1,285 | 50.2 | 1,677 | 57.6 |
| Spouse, parent, child......... | 277 | 13.0 | 268 | 11.8 | 267 | 10.5 | 286 | 11.2 | 291 | 10.0 |
| Spouse ${ }^{2}$...................... | 163 | 7.7 | 147 | 6.5 | 156 | 6.1 | 146 | 5.7 | 139 | 4.8 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{3}$............... | 114 | 5.4 | 121 | 5.3 | 111 | 4.4 | 140 | 5.5 | 152 | 5.2 |
| All other relatives............. | 79 | 3.7 | 109 | 4.8 | 76 | 3.0 | 90 | 3.5 | 86 | 3.0 |
| Stranger......................... | 580 | 27.3 | 734 | 32.3 | 871 | 34.3 | 897 | 35.1 | 855 | 29.4 |


| Relationshipofvictim to offender (cont.) | 1993 |  | 1994 |  | 1995 |  | 1996 |  | 1997 |  | Percent change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1988- \\ & 1997 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1996- \\ & 1997 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Total including unknown......... | 4,095 |  | 3,699 |  | 3,530 |  | 2,910 |  | 2,579 |  |  |  |
| Unknown.......................... | 1,166 |  | 994 |  | 947 |  | 728 |  | 859 |  |  |  |
| Total known...... | 2,929 | 100.0 | 2,705 | 100.0 | 2,583 | 100.0 | 2,182 | 100.0 | 1,720 | 100.0 | -19.1 | -21.2 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{1}$... | 1,706 | 58.2 | 1,680 | 62.1 | 1,359 | 52.6 | 1,075 | 49.3 | 869 | 50.5 | -26.9 | -19.2 |
| Spouse, parent, child......... | 270 | 9.2 | 239 | 8.8 | 260 | 10.1 | 261 | 12.0 | 203 | 11.8 | -26.7 | -22.2 |
|  | 130 | 4.4 | 113 | 4.2 | 123 | 4.8 | 115 | 5.3 | 89 | 5.2 | -45.4 | -22.6 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{3}$............... | 140 | 4.8 | 126 | 4.7 | 137 | 5.3 | 146 | 6.7 | 114 | 6.6 | . 0 | -21.9 |
| All other relatives............. | 87 | 3.0 | 77 | 2.8 | 77 | 3.0 | 43 | 2.0 | 46 | 2.7 | -41.8 | - |
| Stranger........................ | 866 | 29.6 | 709 | 26.2 | 887 | 34.3 | 803 | 36.8 | 602 | 35.0 | 3.8 | -25.0 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
' Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.
Includes "common-law" marriage partner.
Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

TABLE 12
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

| Relationship of victim to offender | Total | Gender |  | Race/ethnic group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male ${ }^{1}$ | Female | White | Hispanic | Black | Other | Unknown |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown......... | 2,579 | 2,097 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 682 | 177 | 19 |
| Unknown......................... | 859 | 735 | 124 | 111 | 413 | 274 | 45 | 16 |
| Total known..................... | 1,720 | 1,362 | 358 | 436 | 741 | 408 | 132 | 3 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{2} . . . . .$. | 869 | 702 | 167 | 214 | 380 | 214 | 61 | 0 |
| Spouse, parent, child......... | 203 | 85 | 118 | 93 | 63 | 28 | 17 | 2 |
|  | 89 | 16 | 73 | 41 | 25 | 12 | 11 | 0 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{4}$............... | 114 | 69 | 45 | 52 | 38 | 16 | 6 | 2 |
| All other relatives............. | 46 | 33 | 13 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 4 | 0 |
| Stranger......................... | 602 | 542 | 60 | 113 | 284 | 154 | 50 | 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 ${ }^{2} . . . . .$. | 50.5 | 51.5 | 46.6 | 49.1 | 51.3 | 52.5 | 46.2 | - |
| Spouse, parent, child........ | 11.8 | 6.2 | 33.0 | 21.3 | 8.5 | 6.9 | 12.9 | - |
| Spouse ${ }^{3}$ | 5.2 | 1.2 | 20.4 | 9.4 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 8.3 | - |
| Parent, child ${ }^{4}$............... | 6.6 | 5.1 | 12.6 | 11.9 | 5.1 | 3.9 | 4.5 | - |
| All other relatives............. | 2.7 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | - |
| Stranger......................... | 35.0 | 39.8 | 16.8 | 25.9 | 38.3 | 37.7 | 37.9 | - |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
The "male" category includes 5 homicide victims whose gender could not be determined.
Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.
Includes "common-law" marriage partner.
Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson

TABLE 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

| Relationship of victim to offender | Total | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline \text { Under } \\ 18 \end{gathered}$ | 18-29 | 30-39 | $\begin{gathered} \hline 40 \\ \text { and over } \end{gathered}$ | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown......... | 2,579 | 361 | 1,068 | 534 | 580 | 36 |
| Unknown........................ | 859 | 86 | 411 | 170 | 164 | 28 |
| Total known..................... | 1,720 | 275 | 657 | 364 | 416 | 8 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{1} . . . . .$. | 869 | 123 | 366 | 197 | 176 | 7 |
| Spouse, parent, child........ | 203 | 82 | 23 | 25 | 73 | 0 |
| Spouse ${ }^{2} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 89 | 1 | 20 | 21 | 47 | 0 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{3}$............... | 114 | 81 | 3 | 4 | 26 | 0 |
| All other relatives............ | 46 | 9 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 0 |
| Stranger....................... | 602 | 61 | 258 | 129 | 153 | 1 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known..................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{1} . . . . .$. | 50.5 | 44.7 | 55.7 | 54.1 | 42.3 | - |
| Spouse, parent, child........ | 11.8 | 29.8 | 3.5 | 6.9 | 17.5 | - |
| Spouse ${ }^{2} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 5.2 | . 4 | 3.0 | 5.8 | 11.3 | - |
| Parent, child ${ }^{3}$............... | 6.6 | 29.5 | . 5 | 1.1 | 6.3 | - |
| All other relatives............ | 2.7 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 3.6 | 3.4 | - |
| Stranger....................... | 35.0 | 22.2 | 39.3 | 35.4 | 36.8 | - |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50 .
Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.

- Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

TABLE 14
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By County
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

| County | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Statewide total...... | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Alameda............. | 159 | 172 | 188 | 199 | 214 | 199 | 187 | 196 | 142 | 142 |
| Alpine................ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amador.............. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Butte................. | 5 | 12 | 14 | 11 | 14 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 10 | 8 |
| Calaveras........... | 5 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Colusa.............. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Contra Costa....... | 75 | 78 | 70 | 107 | 86 | 113 | 120 | 80 | 71 | 63 |
| Del Norte........... | 5 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| El Dorado........... | 6 | 4 | 9 | 11 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| Fresno............... | 62 | 67 | 92 | 81 | 126 | 127 | 122 | 105 | 93 | 84 |
| Glenn................. | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Humboldt........... | 6 | 4 | 11 | 9 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 8 |
| Imperial.............. | 9 | 5 | 11 | 9 | 14 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 13 | 5 |
| Inyo................... | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Kern.................. | 65 | 46 | 60 | 61 | 49 | 73 | 92 | 71 | 52 | 55 |
| Kings................. | 3 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 5 |
| Lake.................. | 4 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| Lassen............... | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Los Angeles........ | 1,349 | 1,587 | 1,768 | 1,856 | 1,919 | 1,944 | 1,669 | 1,682 | 1,398 | 1,176 |
| Madera.............. | 8 | 15 | 15 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 15 | 12 | 11 | 6 |
| Marin................. | 6 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Mariposa............ | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Mendocino......... | 6 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 7 |
| Merced.............. | 5 | 9 | 15 | 7 | 11 | 21 | 16 | 11 | 8 | 17 |
| Modoc............... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mono................. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Monterey........... | 12 | 26 | 28 | 25 | 33 | 32 | 40 | 26 | 23 | 33 |
| Napa................. | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Nevada.............. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Orange............... | 122 | 145 | 149 | 155 | 173 | 196 | 171 | 166 | 111 | 102 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ontinued) |

TABLE 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By County
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

| County | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Placer.............. | 11 | 2 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| Plumas............. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Riverside........... | 83 | 115 | 125 | 159 | 128 | 159 | 166 | 133 | 111 | 110 |
| Sacramento........ | 101 | 70 | 89 | 120 | 91 | 145 | 126 | 103 | 93 | 87 |
| San Benito......... | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| San Bernardino... | 145 | 178 | 202 | 218 | 233 | 256 | 243 | 225 | 185 | 146 |
| San Diego......... | 228 | 191 | 216 | 278 | 245 | 245 | 206 | 198 | 166 | 125 |
| San Francisco..... | 92 | 73 | 101 | 96 | 117 | 129 | 92 | 99 | 82 | 59 |
| San Joaquin....... | 66 | 60 | 78 | 65 | 70 | 65 | 64 | 62 | 66 | 73 |
| San Luis Obispo.. | 2 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| San Mateo......... | 30 | 35 | 43 | 45 | 55 | 33 | 26 | 35 | 11 | 28 |
| Santa Barbara..... | 24 | 5 | 11 | 18 | 16 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 10 |
| Santa Clara........ | 69 | 56 | 57 | 77 | 68 | 61 | 56 | 56 | 48 | 62 |
| Santa Cruz......... | 11 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 4 |
| Shasta.............. | 11 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 7 |
| Sierra.............. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Siskiyou............ | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| Solano.............. | 25 | 23 | 17 | 30 | 24 | 27 | 44 | 27 | 22 | 12 |
| Sonoma............ | 16 | 19 | 16 | 19 | 6 | 24 | 18 | 15 | 17 | 13 |
| Stanislaus......... | 16 | 20 | 23 | 24 | 39 | 23 | 27 | 32 | 28 | 29 |
| Sutter.............. | 5 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 |
| Tehama............ | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 1 |
| Trinity.............. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Tulare............... | 28 | 25 | 27 | 34 | 33 | 28 | 42 | 39 | 22 | 29 |
| Tuolumne.......... | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Ventura............. | 27 | 20 | 15 | 38 | 29 | 42 | 28 | 26 | 33 | 25 |
| Yolo................ | 10 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 5 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 7 |
| Yuba................ | 3 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 6 |

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HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By County
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

| County | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rate per 100,000 population |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Statewide rate........ | 10.5 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 7.8 |
| Alameda............ | 12.8 | 13.6 | 14.7 | 15.3 | 16.1 | 14.9 | 13.8 | 14.5 | 10.4 | 10.2 |
| Alpine............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Amador.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | $\stackrel{-}{-}$ | - | - | - |
| Butte................ | 2.9 | 6.9 | 7.8 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 5.1 | 4.0 |
| Calaveras........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Colusa............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Contra Costa....... | 10.0 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 12.9 | 10.2 | 13.1 | 13.7 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 7.0 |
| Del Norte........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| El Dorado............ | 5.4 | 3.4 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 5.8 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 2.7 |
| Fresno............... | 10.0 | 10.5 | 13.9 | 11.5 | 17.4 | 17.1 | 16.1 | 13.9 | 12.1 | 10.8 |
| Glenn................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Humboldt........... | 5.3 | 3.5 | 9.3 | 7.4 | 4.8 | 7.9 | 5.5 | 6.4 | 2.4 | 6.3 |
| Imperial.............. | 8.8 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 7.8 | 11.3 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 6.6 | 9.2 | 3.5 |
| Inyo.................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Kern.................. | 12.9 | 8.9 | 11.2 | 10.7 | 8.2 | 11.9 | 14.8 | 11.5 | 8.3 | 8.7 |
| Kings................ | - | - | 5.0 | 5.7 | 3.7 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 8.6 | 4.2 |
| Lake................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Lassen............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Los Angeles........ | 15.7 | 18.2 | 20.0 | 20.6 | 21.0 | 21.1 | 18.1 | 18.0 | 14.9 | 12.3 |
| Madera.............. | - | - | - | - | 11.0 | 9.6 | 13.9 | 11.3 | 10.0 | 5.3 |
| Marin................ | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 1.7 | . 8 | 2.9 | . 8 | 4 |
| Mariposa............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mendocino.......... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Merced.............. | 3.0 | 5.3 | 8.5 | 3.8 | 5.8 | 10.7 | 8.0 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 8.4 |
| Modoc............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mono................. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Monterey........... | 3.5 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 8.8 | 8.5 | 10.8 | 7.2 | 6.4 | 8.7 |
| Napa................. | 5.7 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | . 0 | 1.7 |
| Nevada.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Orange............... | 5.3 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 7.6 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 4.2 | 3.8 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ontinued) |

## IABLE 14 - contınued

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Lounty
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

| County | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rate per 100,000 population |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Placer.............. | 7.1 | 1.2 | 5.9 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 3.4 | 2.4 | 1.4 |
| Plumas.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Riverside........... | 8.4 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 12.5 | 9.8 | 11.9 | 12.0 | 9.7 | 8.0 | 7.7 |
| Sacramento........ | 10.4 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 11.0 | 8.2 | 12.9 | 11.1 | 9.2 | 8.2 | 7.6 |
| San Benito.......... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| San Bernardino.... | 11.8 | 13.6 | 14.5 | 14.4 | 15.1 | 16.2 | 15.1 | 14.2 | 11.6 | 9.0 |
| San Diego......... | 9.9 | 8.0 | 8.7 | 10.8 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 4.5 |
| San Francisco..... | 12.5 | 10.0 | 13.9 | 13.3 | 15.7 | 17.2 | 12.2 | 13.2 | 10.7 | 7.6 |
| San Joaquin....... | 14.5 | 12.9 | 16.3 | 13.1 | 13.7 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 11.8 | 12.4 | 13.5 |
| San Luis Obispo.. | 1.0 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 4.4 | . 0 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| San Mateo.......... | 4.8 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 8.1 | 4.8 | 3.8 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 3.9 |
| Santa Barbara..... | 6.8 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.5 |
| Santa Clara......... | 4.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 3.7 |
| Santa Cruz......... | 5.0 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 6.1 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 1.6 |
| Shasta.............. | 8.1 | 2.1 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 5.0 | 5.6 | 4.3 |
| Sierra............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Siskiyou............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Solano.............. | 8.2 | 7.2 | 5.1 | 8.3 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 11.7 | 7.3 | 5.9 | 3.2 |
| Sonoma............ | 4.4 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 4.7 | 1.5 | 5.7 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 4.0 | 3.0 |
| Stanislaus......... | 4.8 | 5.8 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 9.7 | 5.6 | 6.5 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| Sutter.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tehama............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Trinity.............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tulare.............. | 9.5 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 10.5 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 11.9 | 11.1 | 6.2 | 8.1 |
| Tuolumne........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Ventura............. | 4.2 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 6.0 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 4.6 | 3.4 |
| Yolo................ | 7.6 | 9.6 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 3.4 | 6.7 | 7.3 | 6.0 | 4.6 | 4.5 |
| Yuba................ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

[^9]Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

I ABLE 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Season and Month of Incident

| Season and month of incident | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown...... | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Unknown...................... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total known.................. | 2,947 | 3,159 | 3,562 | 3,876 | 3,920 | 4,095 | 3,699 | 3,530 | 2,910 | 2,579 |
| Spring....................... | 705 | 723 | 866 | 872 | 942 | 1,002 | 925 | 806 | 682 | 651 |
| March.................... | 229 | 244 | 286 | 271 | 293 | 328 | 316 | 272 | 201 | 226 |
| April...................... | 223 | 243 | 273 | 284 | 315 | 315 | 307 | 255 | 225 | 217 |
| May...................... | 253 | 236 | 307 | 317 | 334 | 359 | 302 | 279 | 256 | 208 |
| Summer.................... | 792 | 843 | 971 | 1,121 | 1,060 | 1,134 | 942 | 978 | 745 | 678 |
| June...................... | 230 | 244 | 283 | 380 | 312 | 391 | 307 | 270 | 254 | 212 |
| July....................... | 276 | 299 | 339 | 350 | 372 | 383 | 305 | 333 | 272 | 232 |
| August................... | 286 | 300 | 349 | 391 | 376 | 360 | 330 | 375 | 219 | 234 |
| Fall.......................... | 759 | 799 | 910 | 1,034 | 998 | 1,033 | 930 | 956 | 699 | 662 |
| September............... | 267 | 265 | 329 | 352 | 333 | 337 | 310 | 326 | 256 | 228 |
| October................... | 254 | 283 | 341 | 372 | 319 | 369 | 345 | 345 | 212 | 240 |
| November................ | 238 | 251 | 240 | 310 | 346 | 327 | 275 | 285 | 231 | 194 |
| Winter....................... | 691 | 794 | 815 | 849 | 920 | 926 | 902 | 790 | 784 | 588 |
| December................ | 259 | 273 | 264 | 306 | 307 | 332 | 293 | 281 | 238 | 194 |
| January.................. | 236 | 275 | 292 | 289 | 310 | 304 | 315 | 279 | 296 | 203 |
| February................. | 196 | 246 | 259 | 254 | 303 | 290 | 294 | 230 | 250 | 191 |
| 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...................... | 23.9 | 22.9 | 24.3 | 22.5 | 24.0 | 24.5 | 25.0 | 22.8 | 23.4 | 25.2 |
| March.................... | 7.8 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 8.0 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 6.9 | 8.8 |
| April...................... | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 8.3 | 7.2 | 7.7 | 8.4 |
| May...................... | 8.6 | 7.5 | 8.6 | 8.2 | 8.5 | 8.8 | 8.2 | 7.9 | 8.8 | 8.1 |
| Summer.................... | 26.9 | 26.7 | 27.3 | 28.9 | 27.0 | 27.7 | 25.5 | 27.7 | 25.6 | 26.3 |
| June...................... | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 9.8 | 8.0 | 9.5 | 8.3 | 7.6 | 8.7 | 8.2 |
| July....................... | 9.4 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.0 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 8.2 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 9.0 |
| August................... | 9.7 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.1 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 10.6 | 7.5 | 9.1 |
| Fall.......................... | 25.8 | 25.3 | 25.5 | 26.7 | 25.5 | 25.2 | 25.1 | 27.1 | 24.0 | 25.7 |
| September............... | 9.1 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 8.5 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 8.8 | 8.8 |
| October................... | 8.6 | 9.0 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 8.1 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.8 | 7.3 | 9.3 |
| November................ | 8.1 | 7.9 | 6.7 | 8.0 | 8.8 | 8.0 | 7.4 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 7.5 |
| Winter....................... | 23.4 | 25.1 | 22.9 | 21.9 | 23.5 | 22.6 | 24.4 | 22.4 | 26.9 | 22.8 |
| December................ | 8.8 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 7.5 |
| January.................. | 8.0 | 8.7 | 8.2 | 7.5 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 8.5 | 7.9 | 10.2 | 7.9 |
| February................. | 6.7 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 7.1 | 7.9 | 6.5 | 8.6 | 7.4 |

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

TABLE 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Day of Incident

| Day of incident | Total | Gender |  | Race/ethnic group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male ${ }^{1}$ | Female | White | Hispanic | Black | Other | Unknown |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown....... | 2,579 | 2,097 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 682 | 177 | 19 |
| Unknown....................... | 17 | 11 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Total known................... | 2,562 | 2,086 | 476 | 541 | 1,146 | 682 | 176 | 17 |
| Weekday.................... | 1,663 | 1,330 | 333 | 371 | 723 | 432 | 126 | 11 |
| Monday................... | 372 | 291 | 81 | 78 | 163 | 99 | 30 | 2 |
| Tuesday.................. | 327 | 269 | 58 | 76 | 139 | 84 | 26 | 2 |
| Wednesday............... | 300 | 233 | 67 | 65 | 119 | 90 | 22 | 4 |
| Thursday................. | 304 | 238 | 66 | 73 | 128 | 81 | 20 | 2 |
| Friday...................... | 360 | 299 | 61 | 79 | 174 | 78 | 28 | 1 |
| Weekend.................... | 899 | 756 | 143 | 170 | 423 | 250 | 50 | 6 |
| Saturday.................. | 452 | 380 | 72 | 76 | 203 | 138 | 33 | 2 |
| Sunday.................... | 447 | 376 | 71 | 94 | 220 | 112 | 17 | 4 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Weekday.................... | 64.9 | 63.8 | 70.0 | 68.6 | 63.1 | 63.3 | 71.6 | - |
| Monday................... | 14.5 | 14.0 | 17.0 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 17.0 | - |
| Tuesday................... | 12.8 | 12.9 | 12.2 | 14.0 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 14.8 | - |
| Wednesday.............. | 11.7 | 11.2 | 14.1 | 12.0 | 10.4 | 13.2 | 12.5 | - |
| Thursday................. | 11.9 | 11.4 | 13.9 | 13.5 | 11.2 | 11.9 | 11.4 | - |
| Friday...................... | 14.1 | 14.3 | 12.8 | 14.6 | 15.2 | 11.4 | 15.9 | - |
| Weekend.................... | 35.1 | 36.2 | 30.0 | 31.4 | 36.9 | 36.7 | 28.4 | - |
| Saturday................. | 17.6 | 18.2 | 15.1 | 14.0 | 17.7 | 20.2 | 18.8 | - |
| Sunday................... | 17.4 | 18.0 | 14.9 | 17.4 | 19.2 | 16.4 | 9.7 | - |
| Average daily number of incidents ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weekday.................... | 6.4 | 5.1 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 1.7 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Weekend.................... | 8.6 | 7.3 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 4.1 | 2.4 | . 5 | . 1 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent 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 independent rounding.
The "male" category includes 5 homicide victims whose gender could not be determined
${ }^{2}$ There were 365 days in 1997; 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, 1997
Age of Victim by Day of Incident

| Day of incident | Total | Under 18 | 18-29 | 30-39 | $\overline{40}$ and over | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown....... | 2,579 | 361 | 1,068 | 534 | 580 | 36 |
| Unknown....................... | 17 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Total known................... | 2,562 | 358 | 1,059 | 534 | 577 | 34 |
| Weekday.................... | 1,663 | 243 | 645 | 364 | 389 | 22 |
| Monday................... | 372 | 50 | 156 | 78 | 83 | 5 |
| Tuesday.................. | 327 | 54 | 119 | 73 | 76 | 5 |
| Wednesday............... | 300 | 31 | 126 | 69 | 69 | 5 |
| Thursday................. | 304 | 53 | 103 | 70 | 75 | 3 |
| Friday...................... | 360 | 55 | 141 | 74 | 86 | 4 |
| Weekend.................... | 899 | 115 | 414 | 170 | 188 | 12 |
| Saturday.................. | 452 | 53 | 204 | 88 | 104 | 3 |
| Sunday.................... | 447 | 62 | 210 | 82 | 84 | 9 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Weekday..................... | 64.9 | 67.9 | 60.9 | 68.2 | 67.4 | - |
| Monday................... | 14.5 | 14.0 | 14.7 | 14.6 | 14.4 | - |
| Tuesday................... | 12.8 | 15.1 | 11.2 | 13.7 | 13.2 | - |
| Wednesday............... | 11.7 | 8.7 | 11.9 | 12.9 | 12.0 | - |
| Thursday.................. | 11.9 | 14.8 | 9.7 | 13.1 | 13.0 | - |
| Friday...................... | 14.1 | 15.4 | 13.3 | 13.9 | 14.9 | - |
| Weekend.................... | 35.1 | 32.1 | 39.1 | 31.8 | 32.6 | - |
| Saturday.................. | 17.6 | 14.8 | 19.3 | 16.5 | 18.0 | - |
| Sunday.................... | 17.4 | 17.3 | 19.8 | 15.4 | 14.6 | - |
| Average daily number of incidents ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weekday.................... | 6.4 | . 9 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | . 1 |
| Weekend.................... | 8.6 | 1.1 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 1.8 | . 1 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent 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 independent rounding.
There were 365 days in 1997; 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.

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HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
by Location Ot Homiciae

|  | 1988 |  | 1989 |  | 1990 |  | 1991 |  | 1992 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total including unknown.......... | 2,947 |  | 3,159 |  | 3,562 |  | 3,876 |  | 3,920 |  |
| Unknown.......................... | 152 |  | 13 |  | 24 |  | 194 |  | 0 |  |
| Total known....................... | 2,795 | 100.0 | 3,146 | 100.0 | 3,538 | 100.0 | 3,682 | 100.0 | 3,920 | 100.0 |
| Victim's, shared residence... | 853 | 30.5 | 909 | 28.9 | 901 | 25.5 | 951 | 25.8 | 1,041 | 26.6 |
| Victim's residence........... | 573 | 20.5 | 575 | 18.3 | 604 | 17.1 | 602 | 16.3 | 658 | 16.8 |
| Shared residence........... | 280 | 10.0 | 334 | 10.6 | 297 | 8.4 | 349 | 9.5 | 383 | 9.8 |
| Street, sidewalk................ | 930 | 33.3 | 1,229 | 39.1 | 1,165 | 32.9 | 1,349 | 36.6 | 1,501 | 38.3 |
| All other.......................... | 1,012 | 36.2 | 1,008 | 32.0 | 1,472 | 41.6 | 1,382 | 37.5 | 1,378 | 35.2 |
| Hotel, motel................... | 49 | 1.8 | 46 | 1.5 | 57 | 1.6 | 46 | 1.2 | 34 | . 9 |
| Other residence............... | 242 | 8.7 | 257 | 8.2 | 364 | 10.3 | 269 | 7.3 | 270 | 6.9 |
| Liquor store................... | 1 | . 0 | 7 | . 2 | 12 | . 3 | 14 | . 4 | 9 | . 2 |
| Bar............................. | 57 | 2.0 | 49 | 1.6 | 89 | 2.5 | 55 | 1.5 | 77 | 2.0 |
| Other business................ | 68 | 2.4 | 86 | 2.7 | 89 | 2.5 | 122 | 3.3 | 144 | 3.7 |
| Parking lot..................... | 91 | 3.3 | 98 | 3.1 | 195 | 5.5 | 172 | 4.7 | 142 | 3.6 |
| Vehicle......................... | 207 | 7.4 | 204 | 6.5 | 348 | 9.8 | 348 | 9.5 | 409 | 10.4 |
| Field, park.................... | 249 | 8.9 | 224 | 7.1 | 263 | 7.4 | 305 | 8.3 | 236 | 6.0 |
| School ........................ | 6 | . 2 | 1 | . 0 | 4 | . 1 | 6 | . 2 | 29 | . 7 |
| Other........................... | 42 | 1.5 | 36 | 1.1 | 51 | 1.4 | 45 | 1.2 | 28 | . 7 |


| Locationofhomicide (cont.) | 1993 |  | 1994 |  | 1995 |  | 1996 |  | 1997 |  | Percent change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1988- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total including unknown... | 4,095 |  | 3,699 |  | 3,530 |  | 2,910 |  | 2,579 |  |  |  |
| Unknown.......................... | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 2 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Total known....................... | 4,095 | 100.0 | 3,699 | 100.0 | 3,530 | 100.0 | 2,908 | 100.0 | 2,578 | 100.0 | -7.8 | -11.3 |
| Victim's, shared residence.... | 1,076 | 26.3 | 944 | 25.5 | 943 | 26.7 | 807 | 27.8 | 746 | 28.9 | -12.5 | -7.6 |
| Victim's residence........... | 742 | 18.1 | 636 | 17.2 | 626 | 17.7 | 545 | 18.7 | 487 | 18.9 | -15.0 | -10.6 |
| Shared residence............. | 334 | 8.2 | 308 | 8.3 | 317 | 9.0 | 262 | 9.0 | 259 | 10.0 | -7.5 | -1.1 |
| Street, sidewalk................. | 1,526 | 37.3 | 1,429 | 38.6 | 1,466 | 41.5 | 1,165 | 40.1 | 994 | 38.6 | 6.9 | -14.7 |
| All other.......................... | 1,493 | 36.5 | 1,326 | 35.8 | 1,121 | 31.8 | 936 | 32.2 | 838 | 32.5 | -17.2 | -10.5 |
| Hotel, motel.................. | 55 | 1.3 | 38 | 1.0 | 27 | . 8 | 35 | 1.2 | 17 | . 7 | - | - |
| Other residence.............. | 228 | 5.6 | 256 | 6.9 | 206 | 5.8 | 204 | 7.0 | 175 | 6.8 | -27.7 | -14.2 |
| Liquor store................... | 14 | . 3 | 10 | . 3 | 7 | . 2 | 4 | . 1 | 5 | . 2 | - | - |
| Bar............................. | 85 | 2.1 | 61 | 1.6 | 57 | 1.6 | 39 | 1.3 | 29 | 1.1 | -49.1 | - |
| Other business............... | 161 | 3.9 | 140 | 3.8 | 110 | 3.1 | 104 | 3.6 | 90 | 3.5 | 32.4 | -13.5 |
| Parking lot..................... | 190 | 4.6 | 163 | 4.4 | 164 | 4.6 | 101 | 3.5 | 77 | 3.0 | -15.4 | -23.8 |
| Vehicle........................ | 434 | 10.6 | 373 | 10.1 | 295 | 8.4 | 242 | 8.3 | 226 | 8.8 | 9.2 | -6.6 |
| Field, park..................... | 293 | 7.2 | 247 | 6.7 | 224 | 6.3 | 178 | 6.1 | 191 | 7.4 | -23.3 | 7.3 |
| School ........................ | 9 | . 2 | 7 | . 2 | 6 | . 2 | 5 | . 2 | 5 | . 2 | - | - |
| Other........................... | 24 | . 6 | 31 | . 8 | 25 | . 7 | 24 | . 8 | 23 | . 9 | - | - |

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

TABLE 19
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
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........... | 2,579 | 2,097 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 682 | 177 | 19 |
| Unknown.......................... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total known...................... | 2,578 | 2,096 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 681 | 177 | 19 |
| Victim's, shared residence... | 746 | 459 | 287 | 261 | 256 | 175 | 54 | 0 |
| Victim's residence........... | 487 | 346 | 141 | 144 | 177 | 131 | 35 | 0 |
| Shared residence............ | 259 | 113 | 146 | 117 | 79 | 44 | 19 | 0 |
| Street, sidewalk............... | 994 | 937 | 57 | 109 | 514 | 330 | 38 | 3 |
| All other......................... | 838 | 700 | 138 | 177 | 384 | 176 | 85 | 16 |
| Hotel, motel.................. | 17 | 13 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| Other residence.............. | 175 | 150 | 25 | 38 | 82 | 40 | 15 | 0 |
| Liquor store.................. | 5 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Bar............................ | 29 | 25 | 4 | 3 | 14 | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| Other business.............. | 90 | 74 | 16 | 29 | 34 | 10 | 17 | 0 |
| Parking lot.................... | 77 | 74 | 3 | 12 | 41 | 18 | 6 | 0 |
| Vehicle........................ | 226 | 183 | 43 | 30 | 115 | 61 | 20 | 0 |
| Field, park.................... | 191 | 155 | 36 | 49 | 87 | 29 | 11 | 15 |
| School........................ | 5 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Other.......................... | 23 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 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... | 28.9 | 21.9 | 59.5 | 47.7 | 22.2 | 25.7 | 30.5 | - |
| Victim's residence.......... | 18.9 | 16.5 | 29.3 | 26.3 | 15.3 | 19.2 | 19.8 | - |
| Shared residence............ | 10.0 | 5.4 | 30.3 | 21.4 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 10.7 | - |
| Street, sidewalk............... | 38.6 | 44.7 | 11.8 | 19.9 | 44.5 | 48.5 | 21.5 | - |
| All other........................ | 32.5 | 33.4 | 28.6 | 32.4 | 33.3 | 25.8 | 48.0 | - |
| Hotel, motel................. | . 7 | . 6 | . 8 | . 9 | . 4 | . 9 | . 6 | - |
| Other residence.............. | 6.8 | 7.2 | 5.2 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 5.9 | 8.5 | - |
| Liquor store.................. | . 2 | . 2 | . 0 | . 4 | . 1 | . 0 | 1.1 | - |
| Bar............................ | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 8 | . 5 | 1.2 | . 9 | 3.4 | - |
| Other business............... | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 5.3 | 2.9 | 1.5 | 9.6 | - |
| Parking lot.................... | 3.0 | 3.5 | . 6 | 2.2 | 3.6 | 2.6 | 3.4 | - |
| Vehicle........................ | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 5.5 | 10.0 | 9.0 | 11.3 | - |
| Field, park.................... | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 9.0 | 7.5 | 4.3 | 6.2 | - |
| School........................ | . 2 | . 0 | . 8 | . 4 | . 1 | . 1 | . 6 | - |
| Other......................... | . 9 | 1.0 | . 6 | 1.3 | . 3 | . 7 | 3.4 | - |

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

TABLE 20
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Location of Homicide

| Location of homicide | Total | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline \text { Under } \\ 18 \end{gathered}$ | 18-29 | 30-39 | 40 and over | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown............ | 2,579 | 361 | 1,068 | 534 | 580 | 36 |
| Unknown............................ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total known........................ | 2,578 | 360 | 1,068 | 534 | 580 | 36 |
| Victim's, shared residence.... | 746 | 140 | 192 | 152 | 259 | 3 |
| Victim's residence............ | 487 | 49 | 153 | 113 | 169 | 3 |
| Shared residence............. | 259 | 91 | 39 | 39 | 90 | 0 |
| Street, sidewalk................. | 994 | 122 | 517 | 198 | 148 | 9 |
| All other........................... | 838 | 98 | 359 | 184 | 173 | 24 |
| Hotel, motel................... | 17 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| Other residence............... | 175 | 24 | 79 | 37 | 34 | 1 |
| Liquor store.................... | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Bar.............................. | 29 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 2 |
| Other business................ | 90 | 4 | 28 | 25 | 33 | 0 |
| Parking lot...................... | 77 | 6 | 42 | 19 | 9 | 1 |
| Vehicle......................... | 226 | 32 | 116 | 45 | 30 | 3 |
| Field, park...................... | 191 | 24 | 68 | 40 | 43 | 16 |
| School.......................... | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Other............................ | 23 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 1 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known........................ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Victim's, shared residence.... | 28.9 | 38.9 | 18.0 | 28.5 | 44.7 | - |
| Victim's residence........... | 18.9 | 13.6 | 14.3 | 21.2 | 29.1 | - |
| Shared residence.............. | 10.0 | 25.3 | 3.7 | 7.3 | 15.5 | - |
| Street, sidewalk................ | 38.6 | 33.9 | 48.4 | 37.1 | 25.5 | - |
| All other........................... | 32.5 | 27.2 | 33.6 | 34.5 | 29.8 | - |
| Hotel, motel................... | . 7 | . 3 | . 5 | . 7 | 1.2 | - |
| Other residence............... | 6.8 | 6.7 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 5.9 | - |
| Liquor store................... | . 2 | . 0 | . 1 | . 0 | . 7 | - |
| Bar.............................. | 1.1 | . 6 | 1.1 | 1.5 | . 9 | - |
| Other business................ | 3.5 | 1.1 | 2.6 | 4.7 | 5.7 | - |
| Parking lot..................... | 3.0 | 1.7 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 1.6 | - |
| Vehicle......................... | 8.8 | 8.9 | 10.9 | 8.4 | 5.2 | - |
| Field, park...................... | 7.4 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 7.5 | 7.4 | - |
| School.......................... | . 2 | . 6 | . 2 | . 0 | . 2 | - |
| Other............................. | . 9 | . 8 | . 6 | 1.1 | 1.2 | - |

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

TABLE 21
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Type of Weapon Used

| Typeofweapon used | 1988 |  | 1989 |  | 1990 |  | 1991 |  | 1992 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total including unknown........... | 2,947 |  | 3,159 |  | 3,562 |  | 3,876 |  | 3,920 |  |
| Unknown........................... | 20 |  | 26 |  | 31 |  | 36 |  | 28 |  |
| Total known....................... | 2,927 | 100.0 | 3,133 | 100.0 | 3,531 | 100.0 | 3,840 | 100.0 | 3,892 | 100.0 |
| Firearm.......................... | 1,796 | 61.4 | 2,058 | 65.7 | 2,386 | 67.6 | 2,692 | 70.1 | 2,839 | 72.9 |
| Handgun....................... | 1,332 | 45.5 | 1,604 | 51.2 | 1,903 | 53.9 | 2,255 | 58.7 | 2,426 | 62.3 |
| All other firearms............ | 464 | 15.9 | 454 | 14.5 | 483 | 13.7 | 437 | 11.4 | 413 | 10.6 |
| Rifle......................... | 140 | 4.8 | 201 | 6.4 | 188 | 5.3 | 176 | 4.6 | 164 | 4.2 |
| Shotgun..................... | 153 | 5.2 | 208 | 6.6 | 218 | 6.2 | 187 | 4.9 | 176 | 4.5 |
| Other firearm ${ }^{1} . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 6 | . 2 | 1 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Firearm - unknown type. | 165 | 5.6 | 44 | 1.4 | 77 | 2.2 | 74 | 1.9 | 73 | 1.9 |
|  | 587 | 20.1 | 533 | 17.0 | 592 | 16.8 | 577 | 15.0 | 543 | 14.0 |
| Blunt object ${ }^{3}$.................... | 190 | 6.5 | 199 | 6.4 | 192 | 5.4 | 207 | 5.4 | 161 | 4.1 |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{4} . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 184 | 6.3 | 143 | 4.6 | 166 | 4.7 | 186 | 4.8 | 168 | 4.3 |
| All other.......................... | 170 | 5.8 | 200 | 6.4 | 195 | 5.5 | 178 | 4.6 | 181 | 4.7 |
|  | 78 | 2.7 | 100 | 3.2 | 92 | 2.6 | 84 | 2.2 | 87 | 2.2 |
| Drugs........................... | 12 | . 4 | 5 | . 2 | 6 | . 2 | 3 | . 1 | 3 | . 1 |
| Other............................ | 80 | 2.7 | 95 | 3.0 | 97 | 2.7 | 91 | 2.4 | 91 | 2.3 |


| Typeofweapon used (cont.) | 1993 |  | 1994 |  | 1995 |  | 1996 |  | 1997 |  | Percent change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | $\begin{array}{r} 1988- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total including unknown........... | 4,095 |  | 3,699 |  | 3,530 |  | 2,910 |  | 2,579 |  |  |  |
| Unknown........................... | 34 |  | 33 |  | 29 |  | 45 |  | 40 |  |  |  |
| Total known........................ | 4,061 | 100.0 | 3,666 | 100.0 | 3,501 | 100.0 | 2,865 | 100.0 | 2,539 | 100.0 | -13.3 | -11.4 |
| Firearm........................... | 3,007 | 74.0 | 2,778 | 75.8 | 2,590 | 74.0 | 2,055 | 71.7 | 1,835 | 72.3 | 2.2 | -10.7 |
| Handgun...................... | 2,609 | 64.2 | 2,441 | 66.6 | 2,288 | 65.4 | 1,866 | 65.1 | 1,633 | 64.3 | 22.6 | -12.5 |
| All other firearms............ | 398 | 9.8 | 337 | 9.2 | 302 | 8.6 | 189 | 6.6 | 202 | 8.0 | -56.5 | 6.9 |
| Rifle......................... | 154 | 3.8 | 141 | 3.8 | 140 | 4.0 | 95 | 3.3 | 115 | 4.5 | -17.9 | 21.1 |
| Shotgun.................... | 167 | 4.1 | 165 | 4.5 | 123 | 3.5 | 86 | 3.0 | 72 | 2.8 | -52.9 | -16.3 |
| Other firearm ${ }^{1}$.............. | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | - | - |
| Firearm - unknown type. | 77 | 1.9 | 31 | . 8 | 39 | 1.1 | 8 | . 3 | 15 | . 6 | -90.9 | - |
| Knife ${ }^{2}$............................ | 470 | 11.6 | 427 | 11.6 | 405 | 11.6 | 341 | 11.9 | 307 | 12.1 | -47.7 | -10.0 |
| Blunt object ${ }^{3}$.................... | 204 | 5.0 | 157 | 4.3 | 156 | 4.5 | 147 | 5.1 | 108 | 4.3 | -43.2 | -26.5 |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{4} . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 139 | 3.4 | 156 | 4.3 | 165 | 4.7 | 156 | 5.4 | 148 | 5.8 | -19.6 | -5.1 |
| All other.......................... | 241 | 5.9 | 148 | 4.0 | 185 | 5.3 | 166 | 5.8 | 141 | 5.6 | -17.1 | -15.1 |
|  | 114 | 2.8 | 81 | 2.2 | 75 | 2.1 | 61 | 2.1 | 56 | 2.2 | -28.2 | -8.2 |
| Drugs......................... | 5 | . 1 | 4 | . 1 | 2 | . 1 | 8 | . 3 | 6 | . 2 | - | - |
| Other........................... | 122 | 3.0 | 63 | 1.7 | 108 | 3.1 | 97 | 3.4 | 79 | 3.1 | -1.3 | -18.6 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Dash indicates that percent changes are not calculated when the base number is less than 50
Machine gun, etc.
Any instrument used to cut or stab.
Club, etc.
${ }^{4}$ Hands, feet, etc.
${ }^{5}$ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

TABLE 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

| Type of weapon used | Total | Gender |  | Race/ethnic group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | White | Hispanic | Black | Other | Unknown |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown............ | 2,579 | 2,097 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 682 | 177 | 19 |
| Unknown............................ | 40 | 23 | 17 | 15 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 9 |
| Total known........................ | 2,539 | 2,074 | 465 | 532 | 1,144 | 678 | 175 | 10 |
| Firearm............................ | 1,835 | 1,595 | 240 | 283 | 884 | 535 | 131 | 2 |
| Handgun....................... | 1,633 | 1,418 | 215 | 233 | 796 | 480 | 123 | 1 |
| All other firearms............. | 202 | 177 | 25 | 50 | 88 | 55 | 8 | 1 |
| Rifle.......................... | 115 | 101 | 14 | 29 | 50 | 32 | 4 | 0 |
| Shotgun..................... | 72 | 63 | 9 | 19 | 32 | 16 | 4 | 1 |
| Firearm - unknown type. | 15 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 307 | 229 | 78 | 101 | 133 | 55 | 16 | 2 |
| Blunt object ${ }^{2} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 108 | 83 | 25 | 39 | 40 | 25 | 4 | 0 |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{3} . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 148 | 98 | 50 | 58 | 51 | 28 | 10 | 1 |
| All other.......................... | 141 | 69 | 72 | 51 | 36 | 35 | 14 | 5 |
| Rope ${ }^{4} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 56 | 24 | 32 | 19 | 16 | 17 | 2 | 2 |
| Drugs........................... | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Other........................... | 79 | 41 | 38 | 29 | 20 | 18 | 9 | 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............................ | 72.3 | 76.9 | 51.6 | 53.2 | 77.3 | 78.9 | 74.9 | - |
| Handgun........................ | 64.3 | 68.4 | 46.2 | 43.8 | 69.6 | 70.8 | 70.3 | - |
| All other firearms............. | 8.0 | 8.5 | 5.4 | 9.4 | 7.7 | 8.1 | 4.6 | - |
| Rifle.......................... | 4.5 | 4.9 | 3.0 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 2.3 | - |
| Shotgun | 2.8 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 3.6 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 | - |
| Firearm - unknown type. | . 6 | . 6 | . 4 | . 4 | . 5 | 1.0 | . 0 | - |
|  | 12.1 | 11.0 | 16.8 | 19.0 | 11.6 | 8.1 | 9.1 | - |
| Blunt object ${ }^{2}$..................... | 4.3 | 4.0 | 5.4 | 7.3 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 2.3 | - |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{3} . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 5.8 | 4.7 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 5.7 | - |
| All other.......................... | 5.6 | 3.3 | 15.5 | 9.6 | 3.1 | 5.2 | 8.0 | - |
| Rope ${ }^{4} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 2.2 | 1.2 | 6.9 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 1.1 | - |
| Drugs........................... | . 2 | . 2 | . 4 | . 6 | . 0 | . 0 | 1.7 | - |
| Other........................... | 3.1 | 2.0 | 8.2 | 5.5 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 5.1 | - |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50
Any instrument used to cut or stab.
${ }^{2}$ Club, etc.
${ }^{3}$ Hands, feet, etc.
${ }^{4}$ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

| Type of weapon used | Total | Under 18 | 18-29 | 30-39 | $\overline{40}$ and over | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown.............. | 2,579 | 361 | 1,068 | 534 | 580 | 36 |
| Unknown............................. | 40 | 3 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 9 |
| Total known.......................... | 2,539 | 358 | 1,057 | 525 | 572 | 27 |
| Firearm.......................... | 1,835 | 238 | 878 | 391 | 312 | 16 |
| Handgun.......................... | 1,633 | 206 | 789 | 348 | 275 | 15 |
| All other firearms............... | 202 | 32 | 89 | 43 | 37 | 1 |
| Rifle............................ | 115 | 24 | 48 | 26 | 16 | 1 |
| Shotgun....................... | 72 | 6 | 35 | 15 | 16 | 0 |
| Firearm - unknown type.... | 15 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
|  | 307 | 16 | 114 | 71 | 101 | 5 |
| Blunt object ${ }^{2}$...................... | 108 | 9 | 20 | 24 | 54 | 1 |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{3} . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 148 | 61 | 15 | 14 | 57 | 1 |
| All other............................. | 141 | 34 | 30 | 25 | 48 | 4 |
|  | 56 | 3 | 16 | 14 | 22 | 1 |
| Drugs.............................. | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Other............................. | 79 | 28 | 14 | 9 | 25 | 3 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known.......................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Firearm.............................. | 72.3 | 66.5 | 83.1 | 74.5 | 54.5 | - |
| Handgun. | 64.3 | 57.5 | 74.6 | 66.3 | 48.1 | - |
| All other firearms............... | 8.0 | 8.9 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 6.5 | - |
| Rifle............................. | 4.5 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 2.8 | - |
| Shotgun....................... | 2.8 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.8 | - |
| Firearm - unknown type.... | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 4 | . 9 | - |
|  | 12.1 | 4.5 | 10.8 | 13.5 | 17.7 | - |
| Blunt object ${ }^{2} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 4.3 | 2.5 | 1.9 | 4.6 | 9.4 | - |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{3}$................. | 5.8 | 17.0 | 1.4 | 2.7 | 10.0 | - |
| All other............................. | 5.6 | 9.5 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 8.4 | - |
|  | 2.2 | . 8 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 3.8 | - |
| Drugs.............................. | . 2 | . 8 | . 0 | . 4 | . 2 | - |
| Other.............................. | 3.1 | 7.8 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 4.4 | - |

[^10]Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50
Any instrument used to cut or stab
${ }^{2}$ Club, etc.
${ }^{3}$ Hands, feet, etc
Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

TABLE 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1988-1997
By Contributing Circumstance

| Contributing circumstance | 1988 |  | 1989 |  | 1990 |  | 1991 |  | 1992 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total including unknown.......... | 2,947 |  | 3,159 |  | 3,562 |  | 3,876 |  | 3,920 |  |
| Unknown......................... | 406 |  | 322 |  | 447 |  | 632 |  | 581 |  |
| Total known..................... | 2,541 | 100.0 | 2,837 | 100.0 | 3,115 | 100.0 | 3,244 | 100.0 | 3,339 | 100.0 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary..... | 417 | 16.4 | 443 | 15.6 | 466 | 15.0 | 532 | 16.4 | 519 | 15.5 |
| Rape.......................... | 39 | 1.5 | 39 | 1.4 | 38 | 1.2 | 41 | 1.3 | 31 | . 9 |
| Robbery...................... | 342 | 13.5 | 381 | 13.4 | 399 | 12.8 | 473 | 14.6 | 455 | 13.6 |
| Burglary...................... | 36 | 1.4 | 23 | . 8 | 29 | . 9 | 18 | . 6 | 33 | 1.0 |
| Argument....................... | 1,205 | 47.4 | 1,308 | 46.1 | 1,346 | 43.2 | 1,396 | 43.0 | 1,478 | 44.3 |
| Domestic violence......... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 280 | 8.4 |
| All other argument........ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1,198 | 35.9 |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 580 | 22.8 | 803 | 28.3 | 982 | 31.5 | 992 | 30.6 | 1,029 | 30.8 |
| Gang-related................ | 309 | 12.2 | 525 | 18.5 | 646 | 20.7 | 740 | 22.8 | 742 | 22.2 |
| Drug-related................. | 271 | 10.7 | 278 | 9.8 | 336 | 10.8 | 252 | 7.8 | 287 | 8.6 |
| All other........................ | 339 | 13.3 | 283 | 10.0 | 321 | 10.3 | 324 | 10.0 | 313 | 9.4 |


| Contributing circumstance (cont.) | 1993 |  | 1994 |  | 1995 |  | 1996 |  | 1997 |  | Percent change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1988- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 1996- \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Total including unknown........ | 4,095 |  | 3,699 |  | 3,530 |  | 2,910 |  | 2,579 |  |  |  |
| Unknown......................... | 643 |  | 527 |  | 595 |  | 389 |  | 424 |  |  |  |
| Total known...................... | 3,452 | 100.0 | 3,172 | 100.0 | 2,935 | 100.0 | 2,521 | 100.0 | 2,155 | 100.0 | -15.2 | -14.5 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary..... | 515 | 14.9 | 409 | 12.9 | 385 | 13.1 | 320 | 12.7 | 240 | 11.1 | -42.4 | -25.0 |
| Rape.......................... | 21 | . 6 | 19 | . 6 | 14 | . 5 | 11 | . 4 | 12 | . 6 | - | - |
| Robbery...................... | 476 | 13.8 | 366 | 11.5 | 342 | 11.7 | 294 | 11.7 | 219 | 10.2 | -36.0 | -25.5 |
| Burglary...................... | 18 | . 5 | 24 | . 8 | 29 | 1.0 | 15 | . 6 | 9 | . 4 | - | - |
| Argument...................... | 1,532 | 44.4 | 1,374 | 43.3 | 1,207 | 41.1 | 1,070 | 42.4 | 928 | 43.1 | -23.0 | -13.3 |
| Domestic violence......... | 329 | 9.5 | 224 | 7.1 | 179 | 6.1 | 130 | 5.2 | 128 | 5.9 | - | -1.5 |
| All other argument....... | 1,203 | 34.8 | 1,150 | 36.3 | 1,028 | 35.0 | 940 | 37.3 | 800 | 37.1 | - | -14.9 |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 1,113 | 32.2 | 1,137 | 35.8 | 1,059 | 36.1 | 784 | 31.1 | 704 | 32.7 | 21.4 | -10.2 |
| Gang-related................ | 840 | 24.3 | 880 | 27.7 | 867 | 29.5 | 620 | 24.6 | 544 | 25.2 | 76.1 | -12.3 |
| Drug-related................. | 273 | 7.9 | 257 | 8.1 | 192 | 6.5 | 164 | 6.5 | 160 | 7.4 | -41.0 | -2.4 |
| All other......................... | 292 | 8.5 | 252 | 7.9 | 284 | 9.7 | 347 | 13.8 | 283 | 13.1 | -16.5 | -18.4 |

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

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HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
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......... | 2,579 | 2,097 | 482 | 547 | 1,154 | 682 | 177 | 19 |
| Unknown........................ | 424 | 354 | 70 | 80 | 180 | 128 | 22 | 14 |
| Total known..................... | 2,155 | 1,743 | 412 | 467 | 974 | 554 | 155 | 5 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary..... | 240 | 197 | 43 | 72 | 88 | 43 | 36 | 1 |
| Rape......................... | 12 | 2 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Robbery, burglary.......... | 228 | 195 | 33 | 66 | 84 | 41 | 36 | 1 |
| Robbery.................. | 219 | 190 | 29 | 61 | 82 | 39 | 36 | 1 |
| Burglary.................. | 9 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Argument...................... | 928 | 683 | 245 | 272 | 369 | 221 | 66 | 0 |
| Domestic violence........ | 128 | 31 | 97 | 51 | 42 | 20 | 15 | 0 |
| All other argument........ | 800 | 652 | 148 | 221 | 327 | 201 | 51 | 0 |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 704 | 670 | 34 | 34 | 416 | 223 | 31 | 0 |
| Gang-related................ | 544 | 525 | 19 | 16 | 349 | 150 | 29 | 0 |
| Drug-related................ | 160 | 145 | 15 | 18 | 67 | 73 | 2 | 0 |
| All other........................ | 283 | 193 | 90 | 89 | 101 | 67 | 22 | 4 |
| 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..... | 11.1 | 11.3 | 10.4 | 15.4 | 9.0 | 7.8 | 23.2 | - |
| Rape......................... | . 6 | . 1 | 2.4 | 1.3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 0 | - |
| Robbery, burglary......... | 10.6 | 11.2 | 8.0 | 14.1 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 23.2 | - |
| Robbery................... | 10.2 | 10.9 | 7.0 | 13.1 | 8.4 | 7.0 | 23.2 | - |
| Burglary.................. | . 4 | . 3 | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 2 | . 4 | . 0 | - |
| Argument...................... | 43.1 | 39.2 | 59.5 | 58.2 | 37.9 | 39.9 | 42.6 | - |
| Domestic violence......... | 5.9 | 1.8 | 23.5 | 10.9 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 9.7 | - |
| All other argument........ | 37.1 | 37.4 | 35.9 | 47.3 | 33.6 | 36.3 | 32.9 | - |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 32.7 | 38.4 | 8.3 | 7.3 | 42.7 | 40.3 | 20.0 | - |
| Gang-related................ | 25.2 | 30.1 | 4.6 | 3.4 | 35.8 | 27.1 | 18.7 | - |
| Drug-related................. | 7.4 | 8.3 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 6.9 | 13.2 | 1.3 | - |
| All other........................ | 13.1 | 11.1 | 21.8 | 19.1 | 10.4 | 12.1 | 14.2 | - |

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

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

| Contributing circumstance | Total | Under 5 | 5-17 | 18-59 | $\overline{60}$ and over | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown......... | 2,579 | 98 | 263 | 2,043 | 139 | 36 |
| Unknown......................... | 424 | 0 | 23 | 356 | 21 | 24 |
| Total known...................... | 2,155 | 98 | 240 | 1,687 | 118 | 12 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary...... | 240 | 0 | 13 | 189 | 37 | 1 |
| Rape.......................... | 12 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 0 |
| Robbery...................... | 219 | 0 | 12 | 175 | 31 | 1 |
| Burglary...................... | 9 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 0 |
| Argument...................... | 928 | 5 | 56 | 802 | 60 | 5 |
| Domestic violence......... | 128 | 4 | 8 | 108 | 8 | 0 |
| All other argument........ | 800 | 1 | 48 | 694 | 52 | 5 |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 704 | 3 | 134 | 559 | 5 | 3 |
| Gang-related................ | 544 | 3 | 127 | 409 | 3 | 2 |
| Drug-related................ | 160 | 0 | 7 | 150 | 2 | 1 |
| Child abuse................... | 72 | 68 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| All other........................ | 211 | 22 | 33 | 137 | 16 | 3 |
| Percent based on total known |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total known..................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary...... | 11.1 | . 0 | 5.4 | 11.2 | 31.4 | - |
| Rape.......................... | . 6 | . 0 | . 0 | . 7 | . 8 | - |
| Robbery...................... | 10.2 | . 0 | 5.0 | 10.4 | 26.3 | - |
| Burglary...................... | . 4 | . 0 | . 4 | . 2 | 4.2 | - |
| Argument...................... | 43.1 | 5.1 | 23.3 | 47.5 | 50.8 | - |
| Domestic violence......... | 5.9 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 6.4 | 6.8 | - |
| All other argument........ | 37.1 | 1.0 | 20.0 | 41.1 | 44.1 | - |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 32.7 | 3.1 | 55.8 | 33.1 | 4.2 | - |
| Gang-related................ | 25.2 | 3.1 | 52.9 | 24.2 | 2.5 | - |
| Drug-related................. | 7.4 | . 0 | 2.9 | 8.9 | 1.7 | - |
| Child abuse.................... | 3.3 | 69.4 | 1.7 | - | - | - |
| All other........................ | 9.8 | 22.4 | 13.8 | 8.1 | 13.6 | - |

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

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

| Contributing circumstance | Total | Under 5 | 5-17 | 18-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-59 | 60-69 | 70 and over | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown......... | 2,579 | 98 | 263 | 1,068 | 534 | 312 | 129 | 74 | 65 | 36 |
| Unknown......................... | 424 | 0 | 23 | 171 | 99 | 60 | 26 | 13 | 8 | 24 |
| Total known..................... | 2,155 | 98 | 240 | 897 | 435 | 252 | 103 | 61 | 57 | 12 |
| Rape, robbery, burglary..... | 240 | 0 | 13 | 72 | 46 | 40 | 31 | 19 | 18 | 1 |
| Rape......................... | 12 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Robbery....................... | 219 | 0 | 12 | 66 | 43 | 37 | 29 | 18 | 13 | 1 |
| Burglary...................... | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Argument...................... | 928 | 5 | 56 | 345 | 249 | 148 | 60 | 32 | 28 | 5 |
| Domestic violence........ | 128 | 4 | 8 | 33 | 33 | 29 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| All other argument........ | 800 | 1 | 48 | 312 | 216 | 119 | 47 | 28 | 24 | 5 |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 704 | 3 | 134 | 411 | 108 | 35 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| Gang-related............... | 544 | 3 | 127 | 324 | 64 | 19 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Drug-related................. | 160 | 0 | 7 | 87 | 44 | 16 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Child abuse.................... | 72 | 68 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| All other........................ | 211 | 22 | 33 | 69 | 32 | 29 | 7 | 5 | 11 | 3 |
| 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..... | 11.1 | . 0 | 5.4 | 8.0 | 10.6 | 15.9 | 30.1 | 31.1 | 31.6 | - |
| Rape......................... | . 6 | . 0 | . 0 | . 7 | . 5 | . 4 | 1.9 | . 0 | 1.8 | - |
| Robbery...................... | 10.2 | . 0 | 5.0 | 7.4 | 9.9 | 14.7 | 28.2 | 29.5 | 22.8 | - |
| Burglary...................... | . 4 | . 0 | . 4 | . 0 | . 2 | . 8 | . 0 | 1.6 | 7.0 | - |
| Argument...................... | 43.1 | 5.1 | 23.3 | 38.5 | 57.2 | 58.7 | 58.3 | 52.5 | 49.1 | - |
| Domestic violence......... | 5.9 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 7.6 | 11.5 | 12.6 | 6.6 | 7.0 | - |
| All other argument........ | 37.1 | 1.0 | 20.0 | 34.8 | 49.7 | 47.2 | 45.6 | 45.9 | 42.1 | - |
| Gang-, drug-related.......... | 32.7 | 3.1 | 55.8 | 45.8 | 24.8 | 13.9 | 4.9 | 8.2 | . 0 | - |
| Gang-related................ | 25.2 | 3.1 | 52.9 | 36.1 | 14.7 | 7.5 | 1.9 | 4.9 | . 0 | - |
| Drug-related................ | 7.4 | . 0 | 2.9 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 6.3 | 2.9 | 3.3 | . 0 | - |
| Child abuse.................... | 3.3 | 69.4 | 1.7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| All other........................ | 9.8 | 22.4 | 13.8 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 11.5 | 6.8 | 8.2 | 19.3 | - |

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

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HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
Contributing Circumstance by Relationship of Victim to Offender

| Relationship of victim to offender | Total | Rape | Robbery, burglary | Argument ${ }^{1}$ | Gang-, drugrelated | Child abuse | All other | Unknown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total including unknown....... | 2,579 | 12 | 228 | 928 | 704 | 72 | 211 | 424 |
| Unknown...................... | 859 | 3 | 56 | 72 | 263 | 1 | 82 | 382 |
| Total known.................. | 1,720 | 9 | 172 | 856 | 441 | 71 | 129 | 42 |
| Friend, acquaintance ${ }^{2} . .$. | 869 | 2 | 33 | 487 | 287 | 11 | 44 | 5 |
| Spouse ${ }^{3} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 89 | 1 | 0 | 77 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{4}$.............. | 114 | 0 | 1 | 36 | 0 | 55 | 22 | 0 |
| All other relatives......... | 46 | 0 | 1 | 38 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Stranger..................... | 602 | 6 | 137 | 218 | 154 | 0 | 51 | 36 |
| 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 ${ }^{2}$... | 50.5 | - | 19.2 | 56.9 | 65.1 | 15.5 | 34.1 | 11.9 |
| Spouse ${ }^{3} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 5.2 | - | . 0 | 9.0 | . 0 | . 0 | 8.5 | . 0 |
| Parent, child ${ }^{4} . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 6.6 | - | . 6 | 4.2 | . 0 | 77.5 | 17.1 | . 0 |
| All other relatives......... | 2.7 | - | . 6 | 4.4 | . 0 | 7.0 | . 8 | 2.4 |
| Stranger..................... | 35.0 | - | 79.7 | 25.5 | 34.9 | . 0 | 39.5 | 85.7 |

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

- Includes domestic violence.
${ }^{\text {E }}$ Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.
" Includes "common-law" marriage partner.
- Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

TABLE 29
HOMICIDE CRIMES CLEARED, 1988-1997
Number Reported, Number Cleared, and Clearance Rate

| Year | Number of homicides reported | Number of homicides cleared | Clearance rate ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1997............. | 2,579 | 1,489 | 57.7 |
| 1996.............. | 2,910 | 1,743 | 59.9 |
| 1995............... | 3,530 | 1,916 | 54.3 |
| 1994.. | 3,699 | 2,091 | 56.5 |
| 1993............. | 4,095 | 2,274 | 55.5 |
| 1992............... | 3,920 | 2,198 | 56.1 |
| 1991............. | 3,876 | 2,362 | 60.9 |
| 1990............... | 3,562 | 2,206 | 61.9 |
| 1989............... | 3,159 | 1,916 | 60.7 |
| 1988............... | 2,947 | 1,900 | 64.5 |

${ }^{1}$ A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes (homicides) reported that have been of homicides reported. The result is multiplied by 100 .

TABLE 30
FELONY ARRESTS FOR
SELECTED VIOLENT OFFENSES, 1988-1997

| Year(s) | Total | Homicide | Forcible rape | Robbery | Assault |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1997. | 153,279 | 2,212 | 3,108 | 23,824 | 124,135 |
| 1996. | 149,795 | 2,535 | 3,202 | 26,014 | 118,044 |
| 1995 ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 155,053 | 2,821 | 3,199 | 27,641 | 121,392 |
| 1994. | 151,906 | 2,963 | 3,305 | 27,984 | 117,654 |
| 1993. | 147,603 | 3,276 | 3,572 | 29,567 | 111,188 |
| 1992.... | 148,225 | 3,387 | 4,037 | 31,141 | 109,660 |
| 1991. | 143,970 | 3,720 | 4,417 | 31,346 | 104,487 |
| 1990. | 147,561 | 3,882 | 4,848 | 32,050 | 106,781 |
| 1989. | 131,503 | 3,403 | 4,560 | 27,173 | 96,367 |
| 1988............. | 116,365 | 3,159 | 4,534 | 24,284 | 84,388 |


| Percent change in number |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1996 to 1997....... | 2.3 | -12.7 | -2.9 | -8.4 | 5.2 |
| 1995 to 1996....... | -3.4 | -10.1 | . 1 | -5.9 | -2.8 |
| 1994 to 1995....... | 2.1 | -4.8 | -3.2 | -1.2 | 3.2 |
| 1993 to 1994....... | 2.9 | -9.6 | -7.5 | -5.4 | 5.8 |
| 1992 to 1993....... | -. 4 | -3.3 | -11.5 | -5.1 | 1.4 |
| 1991 to 1992....... | 3.0 | -9.0 | -8.6 | -. 7 | 5.0 |
| 1990 to 1991....... | -2.4 | -4.2 | -8.9 | -2.2 | -2.1 |
| 1989 to 1990....... | 12.2 | 14.1 | 6.3 | 17.9 | 10.8 |
| 1988 to 1989....... | 13.0 | 7.7 | . 6 | 11.9 | 14.2 |
| 1988 to 1997....... | 31.7 | -30.0 | -31.5 | -1.9 | 47.1 |
| Rate per 100,000 population at risk ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1997... | 595.0 | 8.6 | 12.1 | 92.5 | 481.9 |
| 1996. | 586.2 | 9.9 | 12.5 | 101.8 | 461.9 |
| 1995..... | 617.2 | 11.2 | 12.7 | 110.0 | 483.2 |
| 1994..... | 614.9 | 12.0 | 13.4 | 113.3 | 476.3 |
| 1993.................. | 606.6 | 13.5 | 14.7 | 121.5 | 456.9 |
| 1992.................. | 618.2 | 14.1 | 16.8 | 129.9 | 457.4 |
| 1991.................. | 610.4 | 15.8 | 18.7 | 132.9 | 443.0 |
| 1990.................. | 636.6 | 16.7 | 20.9 | 138.3 | 460.7 |
| 1989.................. | 583.8 | 15.1 | 20.2 | 120.6 | 427.8 |
| 1988. | 529.7 | 14.4 | 20.6 | 110.5 | 384.1 |
| Percent change in rate |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1996 to 1997....... | 1.5 | -13.1 | -3.2 | -9.1 | 4.3 |
| 1995 to 1996....... | -5.0 | -11.6 | -1.6 | -7.5 | -4.4 |
| 1994 to 1995....... | . 4 | -6.7 | -5.2 | -2.9 | 1.4 |
| 1993 to 1994....... | 1.4 | -11.1 | -8.8 | -6.7 | 4.2 |
| 1992 to 1993....... | -1.9 | -4.3 | -12.5 | -6.5 | -. 1 |
| 1991 to 1992....... | 1.3 | -10.8 | -10.2 | -2.3 | 3.3 |
| 1990 to 1991..... | -4.1 | -5.4 | -10.5 | -3.9 | -3.8 |
| 1989 to 1990....... | 9.0 | 10.6 | 3.5 | 14.7 | 7.7 |
| 1988 to 1989....... | 10.2 | 4.9 | -1.9 | 9.1 | 11.4 |
| 1988 to 1997....... | 12.3 | -40.3 | -41.3 | -16.3 | 25.5 |
| Notes: Rates may not add to total because of independent rounding. Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Unit, California Department of Finance. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakla Police Department. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

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HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1988-1997
By Gender of Arrestee

| Year(s) | Total |  | Male |  | Female |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| $1997 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 2,212 | 100.0 | 1,990 | 90.0 | 222 | 10.0 |
| $1996 \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. | 2,535 | 100.0 | 2,286 | 90.2 | 249 | 9.8 |
| $1995^{\text {a }} \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 2,821 | 100.0 | 2,564 | 90.9 | 257 | 9.1 |
| $1994 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 2,963 | 100.0 | 2,709 | 91.4 | 254 | 8.6 |
| $1993 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 3,276 | 100.0 | 2,975 | 90.8 | 301 | 9.2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1992 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,387 | 100.0 | 3,082 | 91.0 | 305 | 9.0 |
| $1991 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,720 | 100.0 | 3,427 | 92.1 | 293 | 7.9 |
| $1990 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,882 | 100.0 | 3,519 | 90.6 | 363 | 9.4 |
| $1989 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 3,403 | 100.0 | 3,075 | 90.4 | 328 | 9.6 |
| $1988 \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | 3,159 | 100.0 | 2,816 | 89.1 | 343 | 10.9 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

I ABLE 32
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1988-1997
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

| Year(s) | Total |  | White |  | Hispanic |  | Black |  | Other |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 1997............. | 2,212 | 100.0 | 447 | 20.2 | 1,017 | 46.0 | 586 | 26.5 | 162 | 7.3 |
| 1996............. | 2,535 | 100.0 | 537 | 21.2 | 1,110 | 43.8 | 663 | 26.2 | 225 | 8.9 |
| 1995 ${ }^{\text {a }}$.......... | 2,821 | 100.0 | 580 | 20.6 | 1,284 | 45.5 | 743 | 26.3 | 214 | 7.6 |
| 1994............. | 2,963 | 100.0 | 675 | 22.8 | 1,175 | 39.7 | 850 | 28.7 | 263 | 8.9 |
| 1993............ | 3,276 | 100.0 | 698 | 21.3 | 1,299 | 39.7 | 998 | 30.5 | 281 | 8.6 |
| 1992............ | 3,387 | 100.0 | 714 | 21.1 | 1,457 | 43.0 | 1,016 | 30.0 | 200 | 5.9 |
| 1991............. | 3,720 | 100.0 | 821 | 22.1 | 1,578 | 42.4 | 1,123 | 30.2 | 198 | 5.3 |
| 1990............. | 3,882 | 100.0 | 851 | 21.9 | 1,407 | 36.2 | 1,294 | 33.3 | 330 | 8.5 |
| 1989............. | 3,403 | 100.0 | 907 | 26.7 | 1,226 | 36.0 | 1,124 | 33.0 | 146 | 4.3 |
| 1988............. | 3,159 | 100.0 | 930 | 29.4 | 930 | 29.4 | 1,124 | 35.6 | 175 | 5.5 |

[^11]TABLE 33
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1988-1997
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 |
| 1997... | 2,212 | 100.0 | 353 | 16.0 | 1,267 | 57.3 | 326 | 14.7 | 266 | 12.0 |
| 1996... | 2,535 | 100.0 | 389 | 15.3 | 1,430 | 56.4 | 427 | 16.8 | 289 | 11.4 |
| $1995{ }^{\text {a }}$. | 2,821 | 100.0 | 521 | 18.5 | 1,570 | 55.7 | 462 | 16.4 | 268 | 9.5 |
| 1994.. | 2,963 | 100.0 | 542 | 18.3 | 1,625 | 54.8 | 483 | 16.3 | 313 | 10.6 |
| 1993........ | 3,276 | 100.0 | 618 | 18.9 | 1,804 | 55.1 | 525 | 16.0 | 329 | 10.0 |
| 1992...... | 3,387 | 100.0 | 645 | 19.0 | 1,877 | 55.4 | 511 | 15.1 | 354 | 10.5 |
| 1991............ | 3,720 | 100.0 | 696 | 18.7 | 2,073 | 55.7 | 611 | 16.4 | 340 | 9.1 |
| 1990... | 3,882 | 100.0 | 658 | 17.0 | 2,218 | 57.1 | 630 | 16.2 | 376 | 9.7 |
| 1989............ | 3,403 | 100.0 | 533 | 15.7 | 1,856 | 54.5 | 606 | 17.8 | 408 | 12.0 |
| 1988............ | 3,159 | 100.0 | 389 | 12.3 | 1,702 | 53.9 | 636 | 20.1 | 432 | 13.7 |

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

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HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
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 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total................... | 2,212 | 100.0 | 447 | 100.0 | 1,017 | 100.0 | 586 | 100.0 | 162 | 100.0 |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male................ | 1,990 | 90.0 | 374 | 83.7 | 946 | 93.0 | 526 | 89.8 | 144 | 88.9 |
| Female.............. | 222 | 10.0 | 73 | 16.3 | 71 | 7.0 | 60 | 10.2 | 18 | 11.1 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 18........... | 353 | 16.0 | 33 | 7.4 | 191 | 18.8 | 78 | 13.3 | 51 | 31.5 |
| 18-29............... | 1,267 | 57.3 | 202 | 45.2 | 642 | 63.1 | 343 | 58.5 | 80 | 49.4 |
| 30-39.............. | 326 | 14.7 | 95 | 21.3 | 109 | 10.7 | 105 | 17.9 | 17 | 10.5 |
| 40 and over........ | 266 | 12.0 | 117 | 26.2 | 75 | 7.4 | 60 | 10.2 | 14 | 8.6 |

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

I ABLE 35
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1997
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.................. | 2,212 | 100.0 | 447 | 100.0 | 1,017 | 100.0 | 586 | 100.0 | 162 | 100.0 |
| Under 18.......... | 353 | 16.0 | 33 | 7.4 | 191 | 18.8 | 78 | 13.3 | 51 | 31.5 |
| 18-19.............. | 380 | 17.2 | 49 | 11.0 | 206 | 20.3 | 88 | 15.0 | 37 | 22.8 |
| 20-24.............. | 558 | 25.2 | 83 | 18.6 | 291 | 28.6 | 156 | 26.6 | 28 | 17.3 |
| 25-29.............. | 329 | 14.9 | 70 | 15.7 | 145 | 14.3 | 99 | 16.9 | 15 | 9.3 |
| 30-34............... | 193 | 8.7 | 42 | 9.4 | 74 | 7.3 | 66 | 11.3 | 11 | 6.8 |
| 35-39.. | 133 | 6.0 | 53 | 11.9 | 35 | 3.4 | 39 | 6.7 | 6 | 3.7 |
| 40-44............... | 92 | 4.2 | 38 | 8.5 | 26 | 2.6 | 23 | 3.9 | 5 | 3.1 |
| 45-49............... | 82 | 3.7 | 38 | 8.5 | 28 | 2.8 | 13 | 2.2 | 3 | 1.9 |
| 50-54.............. | 38 | 1.7 | 16 | 3.6 | 7 | . 7 | 13 | 2.2 | 2 | 1.2 |
| 55 and over........ | 54 | 2.4 | 25 | 5.6 | 14 | 1.4 | 11 | 1.9 | 4 | 2.5 |
| Male................ | 1,990 | 100.0 | 374 | 100.0 | 946 | 100.0 | 526 | 100.0 | 144 | 100.0 |
| Under 18......... | 334 | 16.8 | 29 | 7.8 | 180 | 19.0 | 77 | 14.6 | 48 | 33.3 |
| 18-19............ | 358 | 18.0 | 43 | 11.5 | 195 | 20.6 | 86 | 16.3 | 34 | 23.6 |
| 20-24............ | 519 | 26.1 | 74 | 19.8 | 281 | 29.7 | 138 | 26.2 | 26 | 18.1 |
| 25-29............ | 288 | 14.5 | 61 | 16.3 | 127 | 13.4 | 88 | 16.7 | 12 | 8.3 |
| 30-34............ | 159 | 8.0 | 31 | 8.3 | 67 | 7.1 | 54 | 10.3 | 7 | 4.9 |
| 35-39............ | 109 | 5.5 | 43 | 11.5 | 29 | 3.1 | 32 | 6.1 | 5 | 3.5 |
| 40-44............ | 75 | 3.8 | 28 | 7.5 | 24 | 2.5 | 19 | 3.6 | 4 | 2.8 |
| 45-49............ | 69 | 3.5 | 32 | 8.6 | 23 | 2.4 | 11 | 2.1 | 3 | 2.1 |
| 50-54............ | 33 | 1.7 | 13 | 3.5 | 7 | . 7 | 11 | 2.1 | 2 | 1.4 |
| 55 and over..... | 46 | 2.3 | 20 | 5.3 | 13 | 1.4 | 10 | 1.9 | 3 | 2.1 |
| Female............. | 222 | 100.0 | 73 | 100.0 | 71 | 100.0 | 60 | 100.0 | 18 | 100.0 |
| Under 18........ | 19 | 8.6 | 4 | 5.5 | 11 | 15.5 | 1 | 1.7 | 3 | - |
| 18-19............ | 22 | 9.9 | 6 | 8.2 | 11 | 15.5 | 2 | 3.3 | 3 | - |
| 20-24............ | 39 | 17.6 | 9 | 12.3 | 10 | 14.1 | 18 | 30.0 | 2 | - |
| 25-29............ | 41 | 18.5 | 9 | 12.3 | 18 | 25.4 | 11 | 18.3 | 3 | - |
| 30-34............ | 34 | 15.3 | 11 | 15.1 | 7 | 9.9 | 12 | 20.0 | 4 | - |
| 35-39............ | 24 | 10.8 | 10 | 13.7 | 6 | 8.5 | 7 | 11.7 | 1 | - |
| 40-44............ | 17 | 7.7 | 10 | 13.7 | 2 | 2.8 | 4 | 6.7 | 1 | - |
| 45-49............ | 13 | 5.9 | 6 | 8.2 | 5 | 7.0 | 2 | 3.3 | 0 | - |
| 50-54............ | 5 | 2.3 | 3 | 4.1 | 0 | . 0 | 2 | 3.3 | 0 | - |
| 55 and over..... | 8 | 3.6 | 5 | 6.8 | 1 | 1.4 | 1 | 1.7 | 1 | - |

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

TABLE 36
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988-1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
By Type of Disposition

| Year(s) | Total |  | Released ${ }^{1}$ |  | Complaints filed |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Dismissed, acquitted ${ }^{2}$ | Convicted |  |
|  | Number | Percent |  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 1997............ | 1,756 | 100.0 | 204 | 11.6 | 252 | 14.4 | 1,300 | 74.0 |
| 1996............ | 1,894 | 100.0 | 208 | 11.0 | 245 | 12.9 | 1,441 | 76.1 |
| 1995............ | 1,746 | 100.0 | 179 | 10.3 | 227 | 13.0 | 1,340 | 76.7 |
| 1994.......... | 1,813 | 100.0 | 225 | 12.4 | 217 | 12.0 | 1,371 | 75.6 |
| 1993............ | 2,141 | 100.0 | 204 | 9.5 | 316 | 14.8 | 1,621 | 75.7 |
| 1992........... | 2,017 | 100.0 | 187 | 9.3 | 270 | 13.4 | 1,560 | 77.3 |
| 1991........... | 1,804 | 100.0 | 243 | 13.5 | 255 | 14.1 | 1,306 | 72.4 |
| 1990............ | 1,430 | 100.0 | 180 | 12.6 | 212 | 14.8 | 1,038 | 72.6 |
| 1989............ | 1,488 | 100.0 | 252 | 16.9 | 157 | 10.6 | 1,079 | 72.5 |
| 1988............ | 1,526 | 100.0 | 224 | 14.7 | 188 | 12.3 | 1,114 | 73.0 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
${ }^{1}$ The "released" category includes law enforcement releases and complaints denied. "Complaints denied" include single
complaints, combined cases, and petitions to revoke probation.
${ }^{2}$ The "dismissed, acquitted" category includes diversions dismissed.

TABLE 37
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

|  | Total |  | Released ${ }^{1}$ |  | Complaints filed |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee |  |  | Dism <br> acq <br> Number | issed, tted ${ }^{2}$ <br> Percent | Number | cted <br> Percent |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total...................... | 1,756 | 100.0 |  |  | 204 | 11.6 | 252 | 14.4 | 1,300 | 74.0 |
| Gender of arrestee |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male.................. | 1,587 | 100.0 | 179 | 11.3 | 231 | 14.6 | 1,177 | 74.2 |
| Female................ | 169 | 100.0 | 25 | 14.8 | 21 | 12.4 | 123 | 72.8 |
| Race/ethnic group of arrestee |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White.................. | 371 | 100.0 | 33 | 8.9 | 49 | 13.2 | 289 | 77.9 |
| Hispanic............... | 699 | 100.0 | 91 | 13.0 | 78 | 11.2 | 530 | 75.8 |
| Black................... | 425 | 100.0 | 37 | 8.7 | 65 | 15.3 | 323 | 76.0 |
| Other.................. | 111 | 100.0 | 5 | 4.5 | 17 | 15.3 | 89 | 80.2 |
| Unknown.............. | 150 | 100.0 | 38 | 25.3 | 43 | 28.7 | 69 | 46.0 |
| Age of arrestee ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 188 ${ }^{\text {a }}$........... | 73 | 100.0 | 0 | . 0 | 4 | 5.5 | 69 | 94.5 |
| 18-29................. | 1,102 | 100.0 | 131 | 11.9 | 158 | 14.3 | 813 | 73.8 |
| 30-39................. | 364 | 100.0 | 41 | 11.3 | 52 | 14.3 | 271 | 74.5 |
| 40 and over.......... | 217 | 100.0 | 32 | 14.7 | 38 | 17.5 | 147 | 67.7 |

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
The "released" category includes law enforcement releases and complaints denied. "Complaints denied" include single complaints,
combined cases, and petitions to revoke probation.
${ }^{2}$ The "dismissed, acquitted" category includes diversions dismissed.
Age groupings indicate the age of arrestee at time of arrest.
a The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

TABLE 38
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE BASED ON COMPLAINTS FILED
Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

| Gender, race/ethnic group, and age of arrestee | Total |  | Dismissed, acquitted ${ }^{1}$ |  | Convicted |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total..................... | 1,552 | 100.0 | 252 | 16.2 | 1,300 | 83.8 |
| Gender of arrestee |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male................... | 1,408 | 100.0 | 231 | 16.4 | 1,177 | 83.6 |
| Female................ | 144 | 100.0 | 21 | 14.6 | 123 | 85.4 |
| Race/ethnic group of arrestee |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White.................. | 338 | 100.0 | 49 | 14.5 | 289 | 85.5 |
| Hispanic............... | 608 | 100.0 | 78 | 12.8 | 530 | 87.2 |
| Black.................. | 388 | 100.0 | 65 | 16.8 | 323 | 83.2 |
| Other.................. | 106 | 100.0 | 17 | 16.0 | 89 | 84.0 |
| Unknown.............. | 112 | 100.0 | 43 | 38.4 | 69 | 61.6 |
| Age of arrestee ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 189 ${ }^{\text {a }}$............ | 73 | 100.0 | 4 | 5.5 | 69 | 94.5 |
| 18-29................. | 971 | 100.0 | 158 | 16.3 | 813 | 83.7 |
| 30-39................. | 323 | 100.0 | 52 | 16.1 | 271 | 83.9 |
| 40 and over.......... | 185 | 100.0 | 38 | 20.5 | 147 | 79.5 |

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
' The "dismissed, acquitted" category includes diversions dismissed.
Age groupings indicate the age of arrestee at time of arrest.
"The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

TABLE 39
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

| Typeofdisposition | Total | Gender |  | Race/ethnic group |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | White | Hispanic | Black | Other | Unknown |
| Number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total................................... | 1,756 | 1,587 | 169 | 371 | 699 | 425 | 111 | 150 |
| Law enforcement releases......... | 87 | 82 | 5 | 7 | 46 | 14 | 2 | 18 |
| Total complaints denied........... | 117 | 97 | 20 | 26 | 45 | 23 | 3 | 20 |
| Single complaints................. | 115 | 95 | 20 | 26 | 44 | 22 | 3 | 20 |
| Combined cases................. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Petitions to revoke probation.. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Complaints filed..................... | 1,552 | 1,408 | 144 | 338 | 608 | 388 | 106 | 112 |
| Misdemeanor...................... | 83 | 58 | 25 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 4 | 34 |
| Felony............................. | 1,469 | 1,350 | 119 | 321 | 592 | 376 | 102 | 78 |
| Lower court dispositions........ | 247 | 204 | 43 | 64 | 64 | 49 | 16 | 54 |
| Dismissed...................... | 124 | 110 | 14 | 30 | 24 | 31 | 11 | 28 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Convicted...................... | 121 | 92 | 29 | 34 | 39 | 17 | 5 | 26 |
| Superior court dispositions..... | 1,305 | 1,204 | 101 | 274 | 544 | 339 | 90 | 58 |
| Dismissed...................... | 107 | 100 | 7 | 17 | 44 | 29 | 5 | 12 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 19 | 19 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Convicted....................... | 1,179 | 1,085 | 94 | 255 | 491 | 306 | 84 | 43 |
| Percent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total.................................... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Law enforcement releases......... | 5.0 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 6.6 | 3.3 | 1.8 | 12.0 |
| Total complaints denied........... | 6.7 | 6.1 | 11.8 | 7.0 | 6.4 | 5.4 | 2.7 | 13.3 |
| Single complaints................. | 6.5 | 6.0 | 11.8 | 7.0 | 6.3 | 5.2 | 2.7 | 13.3 |
| Combined cases.................. | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 2 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Petitions to revoke probation.. | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Complaints filed..................... | 88.4 | 88.7 | 85.2 | 91.1 | 87.0 | 91.3 | 95.5 | 74.7 |
| Misdemeanor...................... | 4.7 | 3.7 | 14.8 | 4.6 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 22.7 |
| Felony............................. | 83.7 | 85.1 | 70.4 | 86.5 | 84.7 | 88.5 | 91.9 | 52.0 |
| Lower court dispositions........ | 14.1 | 12.9 | 25.4 | 17.3 | 9.2 | 11.5 | 14.4 | 36.0 |
| Dismissed...................... | 7.1 | 6.9 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 3.4 | 7.3 | 9.9 | 18.7 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 2 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Convicted...................... | 6.9 | 5.8 | 17.2 | 9.2 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 17.3 |
| Superior court dispositions..... | 74.3 | 75.9 | 59.8 | 73.9 | 77.8 | 79.8 | 81.1 | 38.7 |
| Dismissed...................... | 6.1 | 6.3 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 4.5 | 8.0 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 0 | . 5 | 1.3 | . 9 | . 9 | 2.0 |
| Convicted....................... | 67.1 | 68.4 | 55.6 | 68.7 | 70.2 | 72.0 | 75.7 | 28.7 |

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

TABLE 40
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

| Typeofdisposition | Total |  | Under $18{ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 18-29 |  | 30-39 |  | 40 and over |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total..................................... | 1,756 | 100.0 | 73 | 100.0 | 1,102 | 100.0 | 364 | 100.0 | 217 | 100.0 |
| Law enforcement releases. | 87 | 5.0 | 0 | . 0 | 68 | 6.2 | 11 | 3.0 | 8 | 3.7 |
| Total complaints denied........... | 117 | 6.7 | 0 | . 0 | 63 | 5.7 | 30 | 8.2 | 24 | 11.1 |
| Single complaints................. | 115 | 6.5 | 0 | . 0 | 62 | 5.6 | 29 | 8.0 | 24 | 11.1 |
| Combined cases.................. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 3 | 0 | . 0 |
| Petitions to revoke probation.. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Complaints filed..................... | 1,552 | 88.4 | 73 | 100.0 | 971 | 88.1 | 323 | 88.7 | 185 | 85.3 |
| Misdemeanor...................... | 83 | 4.7 | 0 | . 0 | 38 | 3.4 | 33 | 9.1 | 12 | 5.5 |
| Felony.............................. | 1,469 | 83.7 | 73 | 100.0 | 933 | 84.7 | 290 | 79.7 | 173 | 79.7 |
| Lower court dispositions........ | 247 | 14.1 | 6 | 8.2 | 137 | 12.4 | 66 | 18.1 | 38 | 17.5 |
| Dismissed... | 124 | 7.1 | 4 | 5.5 | 70 | 6.4 | 27 | 7.4 | 23 | 10.6 |
| Diversions dismissed. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 3 | 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Convicted....................... | 121 | 6.9 | 2 | 2.7 | 66 | 6.0 | 38 | 10.4 | 15 | 6.9 |
| Superior court dispositions..... | 1,305 | 74.3 | 67 | 91.8 | 834 | 75.7 | 257 | 70.6 | 147 | 67.7 |
| Dismissed....................... | 107 | 6.1 | 0 | . 0 | 74 | 6.7 | 21 | 5.8 | 12 | 5.5 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 19 | 1.1 | 0 | . 0 | 13 | 1.2 | 3 | . 8 | 3 | 1.4 |
| Convicted........................ | 1,179 | 67.1 | 67 | 91.8 | 747 | 67.8 | 233 | 64.0 | 132 | 60.8 |

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding
${ }^{\text {a }}$ The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

TABLE 40
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE
Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition

| Typeofdisposition | Total |  | Under $18{ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 18-29 |  | 30-39 |  | 40 and over |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total..................................... | 1,756 | 100.0 | 73 | 100.0 | 1,102 | 100.0 | 364 | 100.0 | 217 | 100.0 |
| Law enforcement releases. | 87 | 5.0 | 0 | . 0 | 68 | 6.2 | 11 | 3.0 | 8 | 3.7 |
| Total complaints denied........... | 117 | 6.7 | 0 | . 0 | 63 | 5.7 | 30 | 8.2 | 24 | 11.1 |
| Single complaints................. | 115 | 6.5 | 0 | . 0 | 62 | 5.6 | 29 | 8.0 | 24 | 11.1 |
| Combined cases.................. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 3 | 0 | . 0 |
| Petitions to revoke probation.. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Complaints filed..................... | 1,552 | 88.4 | 73 | 100.0 | 971 | 88.1 | 323 | 88.7 | 185 | 85.3 |
| Misdemeanor...................... | 83 | 4.7 | 0 | . 0 | 38 | 3.4 | 33 | 9.1 | 12 | 5.5 |
| Felony.............................. | 1,469 | 83.7 | 73 | 100.0 | 933 | 84.7 | 290 | 79.7 | 173 | 79.7 |
| Lower court dispositions........ | 247 | 14.1 | 6 | 8.2 | 137 | 12.4 | 66 | 18.1 | 38 | 17.5 |
| Dismissed... | 124 | 7.1 | 4 | 5.5 | 70 | 6.4 | 27 | 7.4 | 23 | 10.6 |
| Diversions dismissed. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 3 | 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Convicted....................... | 121 | 6.9 | 2 | 2.7 | 66 | 6.0 | 38 | 10.4 | 15 | 6.9 |
| Superior court dispositions..... | 1,305 | 74.3 | 67 | 91.8 | 834 | 75.7 | 257 | 70.6 | 147 | 67.7 |
| Dismissed....................... | 107 | 6.1 | 0 | . 0 | 74 | 6.7 | 21 | 5.8 | 12 | 5.5 |
| Diversions dismissed......... | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Acquitted....................... | 19 | 1.1 | 0 | . 0 | 13 | 1.2 | 3 | . 8 | 3 | 1.4 |
| Convicted........................ | 1,179 | 67.1 | 67 | 91.8 | 747 | 67.8 | 233 | 64.0 | 132 | 60.8 |

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding
${ }^{\text {a }}$ The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

I ABLE 41
DISPOSITIONS IN 1988-1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
By Convicted Offense

| Year(s) | Total |  | Homicide |  | All other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Robbery |  | Assault |  | Other |  |
|  | Number | Percent |  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 1997............. | 1,300 | 100.0 | 915 | 70.4 | 385 | 29.6 | 25 | 1.9 | 184 | 14.2 | 176 | 13.5 |
| 1996............. | 1,441 | 100.0 | 1,041 | 72.2 | 400 | 27.8 | 37 | 2.6 | 183 | 12.7 | 180 | 12.5 |
| 1995............. | 1,340 | 100.0 | 990 | 73.9 | 350 | 26.1 | 19 | 1.4 | 164 | 12.2 | 167 | 12.5 |
| 1994............. | 1,371 | 100.0 | 1,018 | 74.3 | 353 | 25.7 | 30 | 2.2 | 163 | 11.9 | 160 | 11.7 |
| 1993............. | 1,621 | 100.0 | 1,287 | 79.4 | 334 | 20.6 | 30 | 1.9 | 150 | 9.3 | 154 | 9.5 |
| 1992............. | 1,560 | 100.0 | 1,239 | 79.4 | 321 | 20.6 | 26 | 1.7 | 133 | 8.5 | 162 | 10.4 |
| 1991............. | 1,306 | 100.0 | 1,035 | 79.2 | 271 | 20.8 | 26 | 2.0 | 104 | 8.0 | 141 | 10.8 |
| 1990............. | 1,038 | 100.0 | 814 | 78.4 | 224 | 21.6 | 25 | 2.4 | 60 | 5.8 | 139 | 13.4 |
| 1989............. | 1,079 | 100.0 | 857 | 79.4 | 222 | 20.6 | 10 | . 9 | 80 | 7.4 | 132 | 12.2 |
| 1988............. | 1,114 | 100.0 | 910 | 81.7 | 204 | 18.3 | 10 | . 9 | 62 | 5.6 | 132 | 11.8 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Data include convictions for both misdemeanors and felonies.

I ABLE 42
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Offender by Convicted Offense

| Gender,race/ethnic group,andage of offender | Total |  | Homicide |  | All other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Robbery |  | Assault |  | Other |  |
|  | Number | Percent |  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total..................... | 1,300 | 100.0 | 915 | 70.4 | 385 | 29.6 | 25 | 1.9 | 184 | 14.2 | 176 | 13.5 |
| Gender of offender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male................... | 1,177 | 100.0 | 850 | 72.2 | 327 | 27.8 | 20 | 1.7 | 164 | 13.9 | 143 | 12.1 |
| Female................ | 123 | 100.0 | 65 | 52.8 | 58 | 47.2 | 5 | 4.1 | 20 | 16.3 | 33 | 26.8 |
| Race/ethnic group of offender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White.................. | 289 | 100.0 | 217 | 75.1 | 72 | 24.9 | 7 | 2.4 | 28 | 9.7 | 37 | 12.8 |
| Hispanic............... | 530 | 100.0 | 367 | 69.2 | 163 | 30.8 | 9 | 1.7 | 80 | 15.1 | 74 | 14.0 |
| Black.................. | 323 | 100.0 | 259 | 80.2 | 64 | 19.8 | 6 | 1.9 | 27 | 8.4 | 31 | 9.6 |
| Other.................. | 89 | 100.0 | 58 | 65.2 | 31 | 34.8 | 2 | 2.2 | 13 | 14.6 | 16 | 18.0 |
| Unknown............. | 69 | 100.0 | 14 | 20.3 | 55 | 79.7 | 1 | 1.4 | 36 | 52.2 | 18 | 26.1 |
| Age of offender ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 18 ${ }^{\text {a }}$............ | 69 | 100.0 | 56 | 81.2 | 13 | 18.8 | 1 | 1.4 | 10 | 14.5 | 2 | 2.9 |
| 18-29................. | 813 | 100.0 | 566 | 69.6 | 247 | 30.4 | 19 | 2.3 | 106 | 13.0 | 122 | 15.0 |
| 30-39................. | 271 | 100.0 | 184 | 67.9 | 87 | 32.1 | 4 | 1.5 | 45 | 16.6 | 38 | 14.0 |
| 40 and over.......... | 147 | 100.0 | 109 | 74.1 | 38 | 25.9 | 1 | . 7 | 23 | 15.6 | 14 | 9.5 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding
Data include convictions for both misdemeanors and felonies
Age groupings indicate the age of offender at time of arrest.
a Age groupings indicate the age of offender as time of arrest.

TABLE 43
DISPOSITIONS IN 1997 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED
Convicted Offense by Sentence

| Sentence | Total |  | Homicide |  | All other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Robbery |  | Assault |  | Other |  |
|  | Number | Percent |  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total........................ | 1,300 | 100.0 | 915 | 100.0 | 385 | 100.0 | 25 | 100.0 | 184 | 100.0 | 176 | 100.0 |
| Death, prison, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Youth Authority...... <br> Death | 1,097 34 | 84.4 2.6 | 878 34 | 96.0 3.7 | 219 0 | 56.9 0 | 20 | - | 107 | 58.2 .0 | 92 0 | 52.3 .0 |
| Prison................. | 1,061 | 81.6 | 842 | 92.0 | 219 | 56.9 | 20 | - | 107 | 58.2 | 92 | 52.3 |
| Youth Authority.... | 2 | . 2 | 2 | . 2 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | - | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| All other................. | 203 | 15.6 | 37 | 4.0 | 166 | 43.1 | 5 | - | 77 | 41.8 | 84 | 47.7 |
| Jail................... | 5 | . 4 | 0 | . 0 | 5 | 1.3 | 0 | - | 0 | . 0 | 5 | 2.8 |
| Probation with jail.. | 164 | 12.6 | 29 | 3.2 | 135 | 35.1 | 4 | - | 66 | 35.9 | 65 | 36.9 |
| Probation............. | 33 | 2.5 | 8 | . 9 | 25 | 6.5 | 1 | - | 11 | 6.0 | 13 | 7.4 |
| Other.................. | 1 | . 1 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 3 | 0 | - | 0 | . 0 | 1 | . 6 |

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding
Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50 .
Data include convictions for both misdemeanors and felonies.

I ABLE 44
PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-1997

| Year(s) | Initial sentences | $\overline{(+)}$ <br> Resentences | (-) <br> Removals ${ }^{1}$ | (=) <br> Persons under sentence of death ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1997............... | 40 | 0 | 8 | 493 |
| 1996.............. | 40 | 1 | 6 | 461 |
| 1995............... | 38 | 0 | 3 | 426 |
| 1994.............. | 21 | 1 | 5 | 391 |
| 1993.............. | 34 | 0 | 5 | 374 |
| 1992 ${ }^{\text {a }}$............ | 40 | 6 | 5 | 345 |
| $1991{ }^{\text {b }} \ldots . . . . . . . . .$. | 26 | 3 | 2 | 305 |
| 1990.............. | 33 | 3 | 4 | 279 |
| 1989 ${ }^{\text {c............. }}$ | 33 | 4 | 11 | 247 |
| 1988 ${ }^{\text {d }} . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 34 | 3 | 15 | 223 |
| 1987 ${ }^{\text {e............. }}$ | 25 | 4 | 6 | 203 |
| 1986.............. | 21 | 5 | 6 | 179 |
| 1985............... | 16 | 2 | 20 | 159 |
| 1984.............. | 27 | 2 | 11 | 161 |
| 1983 ${ }^{\text {............. }}$ | 35 | 2 | 5 | 143 |
| 1982.............. | 39 | 0 | 6 | 113 |
| 1981.............. | 39 | 1 | 2 | 80 |
| 1980.............. | 23 | 1 | 7 | 42 |
| 1979.............. | 20 | 0 | 2 | 25 |
| 1978.............. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 |

Source: California Appellate Project.
${ }^{1}$ Persons no longer under sentence of death because of execution, sentence reversal, natural death,
suicide, etc.
${ }^{2}$ Total persons under sentence of death on December 31 of each year. Persons with death sentences from more than one county are counted once.
${ }^{\text {a }}$ In 1992, one person already under sentence of death received an additional death sentence. Forty initial sentences were imposed with 39 new persons being sentenced.
In 1991, one person already under sentence of death received an additional death sentence.
Twenty-six initial sentences were imposed with 25 new persons being sentenced.
${ }^{〔}$ In 1989, two persons already under sentence of death received additional death sentences.
Thirty-three initial sentences were imposed with 31 new persons being sentenced.
${ }^{\text {d }}$ In 1988, two persons already under sentence of death received additional death sentences.
Thirty-four initial sentences were imposed with 32 new persons being sentenced.
${ }^{e}$ In 1987, although six death sentences were reversed, only five persons were no longer under sentence of death. The sixth person had an additional death sentence from another county. In 1983, two persons already under sentence of death received additional death sentences. Thirty-five initial sentences were imposed with 33 new persons being sentenced.

I ABLE 45
PERSONS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 1997
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................... | 40 | 40 | 0 | 17 | 11 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 6 |
| Alameda............ | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Kings................. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Los Angeles........ | 11 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Orange.............. | 8 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Riverside........... | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Sacramento....... | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| San Bernardino.... | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| San Diego.......... | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Santa Clara........ | 5 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Sonoma............. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

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

TABLE 46
HOMICIDE CRIMES AND PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1988-1997
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 |
| 1997.......... | 32,957,000 | 2,579 | 7.8 | 65,416 | 7 | 10.7 |
| 1996............ | 32,383,000 | 2,910 | 9.0 | 63,778 | 5 | 7.8 |
| 1995... | 32,063,000 | 3,530 | 11.0 | 62,156 | 10 | 16.1 |
| 1994............ | 32,140,000 | 3,699 | 11.5 | 59,340 | 9 | 15.2 |
| 1993............ | 31,742,000 | 4,095 | 12.9 | 58,861 | 8 | 13.6 |
| 1992............ | 31,300,000 | 3,920 | 12.5 | 59,386 | 5 | 8.4 |
| 1991............ | 30,646,000 | 3,876 | 12.6 | 60,901 | 3 | 4.9 |
| 1990............ | 29,557,836 | 3,562 | 12.1 | 60,227 | 5 | 8.3 |
| 1989............ | 28,771,207 | 3,159 | 11.0 | 58,149 | $5^{\text {a }}$ | 8.6 |
| 1988............ | 28,060,746 | 2,947 | 10.5 | 50,913 | $9^{\text {b }}$ | 17.7 |

Note: Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.
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.
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Includes 1 reported federal law enforcement officer
$\checkmark$ Includes 2 reported federal law enforcement officers.

| Contributing <br> circumstance | Number | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total.......................................... | 7 | 100.0 |
|  |  |  |
| Domestic violence....................... | 4 | - |
| Investigation (ongoing dispute)..... | 1 | - |
| Investigation (suspicious person)... | 1 | - |
| Robbery................................... | 1 | - |

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

TABLE 48
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

| $\qquad$ | Total |  | Peace officer justifiable |  | Citizenjustifiable |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total.................. | 163 | 100.0 | 118 | 100.0 | 45 | 100.0 |
| Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male................ | 161 | 98.8 | 117 | 99.2 | 44 | 97.8 |
| Female.............. | 2 | 1.2 | 1 | . 8 | 1 | 2.2 |
| Race/ethnic group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White............. | 62 | 38.0 | 53 | 44.9 | 9 | 20.0 |
| Hispanic............ | 59 | 36.2 | 39 | 33.1 | 20 | 44.4 |
| Black............... | 37 | 22.7 | 23 | 19.5 | 14 | 31.1 |
| Other................ | 5 | 3.1 | 3 | 2.5 | 2 | 4.4 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 18.......... | 6 | 3.7 | 1 | . 8 | 5 | 11.1 |
| 18-19.............. | 10 | 6.1 | 7 | 5.9 | 3 | 6.7 |
| 20-24............... | 30 | 18.4 | 18 | 15.3 | 12 | 26.7 |
| 25-29.............. | 31 | 19.0 | 21 | 17.8 | 10 | 22.2 |
| 30-34.............. | 32 | 19.6 | 28 | 23.7 | 4 | 8.9 |
| 35-39.............. | 21 | 12.9 | 19 | 16.1 | 2 | 4.4 |
| 40-44.............. | 8 | 4.9 | 5 | 4.2 | 3 | 6.7 |
| 45-49.............. | 11 | 6.7 | 7 | 5.9 | 4 | 8.9 |
| 50-54.............. | 8 | 4.9 | 6 | 5.1 | 2 | 4.4 |
| 55 and over........ | 5 | 3.1 | 5 | 4.2 | 0 | . 0 |
| Unknown........... | 1 | . 6 | 1 | . 8 | 0 | . 0 |

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

TABLE 49
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Location of Justifiable Homicide

| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \hline \text { Location } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { homicide } \end{aligned}$ | Number | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  |  |
| Total................................. | 163 |  |
| Peace officer justifiable |  |  |
| Total.............................. | 118 | 100.0 |
| Felon's residence.............. | 25 | 21.2 |
| Other residence................ | 9 | 7.6 |
| Street, sidewalk.............. | 75 | 63.6 |
| Commercial establishment.. | 3 | 2.5 |
| Liquor store................. | 1 | . 8 |
| Bar........................... | 1 | . 8 |
| Other business.............. | 1 | . 8 |
| All other........................ | 6 | 5.1 |
| Hotel, motel................. | 0 | . 0 |
| Parking lot................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Vehicle....................... | 6 | 5.1 |
| Other......................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Citizen justifiable |  |  |
| Total............................... | 45 | 100.0 |
| Citizen's, shared residence. | 17 | 37.8 |
| Citizen's residence.......... | 17 | 37.8 |
| Shared residence........... | 0 | . 0 |
| Other residence................ | 3 | 6.7 |
| Victim's residence.......... | 1 | 2.2 |
| Other residence............ | 2 | 4.4 |
| Street, sidewalk.............. | 13 | 28.9 |
| Commercial establishment.. | 6 | 13.3 |
| Liquor store................. | 0 | . 0 |
| Bar........................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Other business.............. | 6 | 13.3 |
| All other........................ | 6 | 13.3 |
| Hotel, motel................. | 0 | . 0 |
| Parking lot................... | 3 | 6.7 |
| Vehicle....................... | 2 | 4.4 |
| Other......................... | 1 | 2.2 |

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

IABLE 50
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997

| Contributing circumstance | Number | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  |  |
| Total............................................. | 163 |  |
| Peace officer justifiable |  |  |
| Total.............................................. | 118 | 100.0 |
| Felon attacked peace officer................ | 94 | 79.7 |
| Felon killed during commission of crime.. | 21 | 17.8 |
| Felon resisted arrest.......................... | 3 | 2.5 |
| All other....................................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Felon attacked another peace officer... | 0 | . 0 |
| Felon attacked citizen...................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Felon attempted flight..................... | 0 | . 0 |
| Citizen justifiable |  |  |
| Total............................................. | 45 | 100.0 |
| Felon attacked citizen....................... | 8 | 17.8 |
| Felon killed during commission of crime.. | 37 | 82.2 |
| All other........................................ | 0 | . 0 |

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

TABLE 51
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 1997
By Type of Weapon Used

| Type of weapon used | Total |  | Peace officer justifiable |  | Citizen justifiable |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total................................. | 163 | 100.0 | 118 | 100.0 | 45 | 100.0 |
| Firearm........................... | 154 | 94.5 | 114 | 96.6 | 40 | 88.9 |
| Handgun....................... | 135 | 82.8 | 98 | 83.1 | 37 | 82.2 |
| All other firearms............. | 19 | 11.7 | 16 | 13.6 | 3 | 6.7 |
| Rifle......................... | 10 | 6.1 | 9 | 7.6 | 1 | 2.2 |
| Shotgun..................... | 9 | 5.5 | 7 | 5.9 | 2 | 4.4 |
| Firearm - unknown type.. | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
|  | 3 | 1.8 | 1 | . 8 | 2 | 4.4 |
| Blunt object ${ }^{2}$.................... | 1 | . 6 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | 2.2 |
| Personal weapon ${ }^{3}$.............. | 3 | 1.8 | 2 | 1.7 | 1 | 2.2 |
| All other......................... | 2 | 1.2 | 1 | . 8 | 1 | 2.2 |
|  | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Drugs.......................... | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | . 0 |
| Other........................... | 2 | 1.2 | 1 | . 8 | 1 | 2.2 |

Note: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
Any instrument used to cut or stab.
Club, etc.
Hands, feet, etc.
${ }^{4}$ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

TABLE 52
POPULATION ESTIMATES, 1952-1997

| Year(s) | Total population | Population at risk |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total ${ }^{1}$ | Adult ${ }^{2}$ | Juvenile ${ }^{3}$ |
| 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 |
| 1959... | 15,280,000 | - | - | - |
| 1958............... | 14,752,000 | - | - | - |
| 1957............... | 14,190,000 | - | - | - |
| 1956. | 13,600,000 | - | - | - |
| 1955... | 13,035,000 | - | - | - |
| 1954. | 12,595,000 | - | - | - |
| 1953............... | 12,101,000 | - | - | - |
| 1952............... | 11,638,000 | - | - | - |

Source: Population estimates were provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California
Note: Population data by age are not available prior to 1960
Total population at risk, 10-69 years of age.
Adult population at risk, 18-69 years of age.
${ }^{3}$ Juvenile population at risk, $10-17$ years of age


[^0]:    Source: Table 11.

[^1]:    Source: Table 15.

[^2]:    Source: Table 20.

[^3]:    1 The following penal codes for homicide arrest offenses were reported to the California Department of Justice during 1997: 128, 187(a), 189, 192(a), 192(b), 193(a), 193(b), 273ab, 399, 12310(a).

[^4]:    Source: Table 33.

[^5]:    Source: Table 37.

[^6]:    Source: Table 48.

[^7]:    Note: Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

[^8]:    Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
    Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50 .
    ${ }^{1}$ The "male" category includes 5 homicide victims whose gender could not be determined.

[^9]:    Notes: Dash indicates that a rate is not computed when a county's population is less than 100,000 in a given year.

[^10]:    Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.

[^11]:    Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.
    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

