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California Homicide Statistics for 2015

Homicide in California, 2015 contains information about the crime of homicide and its victims, including demographic data on victims, persons arrested for homicide, persons sentenced to death, peace officers feloniously killed in the line of duty, and justifiable homicides. This report focuses on data reported in 2015 with prior years included for context.

Homicide Crimes

There were 1,861 homicides reported in 2015. This number represents a 9.7 percent increase from the 1,697 reported in 2014 and a 25.1 percent decrease from the 2,483 reported in 2006. (Table 1)

The 1,861 reported homicides also translate to a rate of 4.8 homicide crimes per 100,000 population. This figure represents a 9.1 percent increase from the 4.4 rate reported in 2014 and a 30.4 percent decrease from the 6.9 rate reported in 2006. (Table 1)

- Over the past decade the homicide rate ranged from a high of 6.9 in 2006 to last year's low of 4.4.

From 2006-2015:

- The majority of homicide victims have consistently been male. (Table 5)
- The largest proportion of victims has consistently been Hispanic. (Table 6)
- The largest percentage of homicide victims has consistently been aged 18-29. (Table 7)

In 2015:

- 82.8 percent of homicide victims were male and 17.2 percent were female. (Table 5)
- Of the homicides where the victim's race/ethnicity was identified, 43.3 percent of victims were Hispanic, 28.4 percent were black, 21.3 percent were white, and 7.0 percent were categorized as "Other." (Table 6)
- While the largest proportion of Hispanic and black victims were aged 18-29 (46.7 and 44.0 percent, respectively), over half (56.1 percent) of white victims were aged "40 and over." (Table 9)
- When the victim-offender relationship was identified, 47.4 percent were killed by a friend or acquaintance; 31.3 percent by a stranger; and 14.9 percent by their spouse, parent, or child. Males were more likely than females to be killed by strangers (37.8 vs. 12.3 percent, respectively). Females were more likely than males to be killed by their spouse (25.0 vs. 0.9 percent, respectively). (Table 12)
- Of the homicides where location was reported, 40.5 percent occurred on the street or sidewalk, 23.5 percent in the victim's residence (includes shared), and 10.9 percent in a residence other than the victim's. (Table 19)

- The largest proportion of male victims (46.0 percent) were killed on the street or sidewalk, over half (51.7 percent) of the female victims were killed in their residence. (Table 19)
- Firearms have consistently been the most common weapon used in homicides. In 2015, of the homicides where the weapon was identified, 70.1 percent involved a firearm. (Table 22)
- Of the homicides where the contributing circumstance was known, 28.7 percent were gang-related, 27.8 percent were the result of an unspecified argument, 10.5 percent were domestic violence-related, and 7.2 percent occurred in conjunction with the commission of a robbery or burglary. (Table 24)
- Among California's 35 counties with populations of 100,000 or more, Monterey County experienced the highest homicide rate (13.8 per 100,000). The lowest homicide rate (1.1 per 100,000) was recorded by three counties: Imperial, Placer, and San Luis Obispo. (Table 14)

Homicide Arrests

There were 1,439 arrests for homicide in 2015; 12 more than the 1,427 homicide arrests reported in 2014. This number represents a 26.8 percent decrease from the 1,967 arrests in 2006. (Table 29)

The 1,439 homicide arrests also translate to a rate of 4.7 homicide arrests per 100,000 population-at-risk which is identical to the rate of 2014. This figure represents a 31.9 percent decrease from the 6.9 rate reported in 2006. (Table 29)

Over the past decade:

- The homicide arrest rate has ranged from a high of 7.1 in 2007 to the low of 4.7 which was recorded in 2014 and 2015. (Table 29)
- The majority of homicide arrestees were male. (Table 30)

- The largest percentage of homicide arrestees were Hispanic. (Table 31)
- The largest percentage of homicide arrestees were aged 18-29. (Table 32)

In 2015:

- 89.2 percent of homicide arrestees were male and 10.8 percent were female. (Table 30)
- 47.5 percent of homicide arrestees were Hispanic, 26.1 percent were black, 20.8 percent were white, and 5.6 percent were categorized as "Other." (Table 31)
- 53.4 percent of homicide arrestees were aged 18-29, 21.8 percent were aged 30-39, 18.8 percent were 40 years of age or older, and 6.1 percent were under the age of 18. (Table 32)

Death Penalty Sentences

In 2015, there were 14 individuals sentenced to death in California (Tables 35, 36). Of these,

- Thirteen were male and one was female.
- Eight were Hispanic, three were black, one was white, and two were categorized as "Other."
- One was under the age of 20 at the time of arrest; two were over 40.
- The majority (85.7 percent) were sentenced from Southern California counties, with over half (eight) coming from Riverside County.

Peace Officers Killed in the Line of Duty

In the last decade, there have been 36 California peace officers feloniously killed in the line of duty. Two, both white males, were killed in 2015. One was killed with a handgun; the other, with a rifle. (Tables 37, 38)

Justifiable Homicides

In 2015, there were 163 justifiable homicides reported. Of these, 130 were committed by a peace officer and 33 were committed by a private citizen. (Tables 39-42)

Of the 130 reported as deceased by justifiable homicide – peace officer:

- 94.6 percent were male and 5.4 percent were female.
- 42.3 percent were Hispanic, 31.5 percent were white, 17.7 percent were black, and 8.5 percent were categorized as “Other.”
- 33.8 percent were aged 18-29, 33.8 percent were aged 30-39, and 32.3 percent were 40 years of age or over.
- All involved firearms.

Of the 33 reported as deceased by justifiable homicide – citizen:

- 93.9 percent were male and 6.1 percent were female.
- 48.5 percent were black, 30.3 percent were white, and 21.2 percent were Hispanic.
- 36.4 percent were aged 18-29, 36.4 percent were 40 years of age or over, and 21.2 percent were aged 30-39.
- Firearms were used in 63.6 percent of the incidents.

Note: Crime and arrest rates are calculated using annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Population estimates for 2006-2011 were revised based on the 2010 census. Crime and arrest rates for that period have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

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Table 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 2006-2015
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homicide	Rape ¹	Robbery	Aggravated assault
Number					
2015.....	166,588	1,861	12,793	52,785	99,149
2014.....	151,425	1,697	9,397	48,650	91,681
2013.....	151,634	1,745	7,459	53,621	88,809
2012.....	160,629	1,878	7,828	56,491	94,432
2011.....	155,313	1,794	7,678	54,358	91,483
2010.....	163,957	1,809	8,325	58,100	95,723
2009.....	174,579	1,970	8,698	64,006	99,905
2008.....	185,233	2,143	8,906	69,391	104,793
2007.....	191,493	2,258	9,047	70,702	109,486
2006.....	194,128	2,483	9,213	70,961	111,471
Percent change in number					
2014-2015.....	10.0	9.7	-	8.5	8.1
2013-2014.....	-0.1	-2.8	-	-9.3	3.2
2012-2013.....	-5.6	-7.1	-4.7	-5.1	-6.0
2011-2012.....	3.4	4.7	2.0	3.9	3.2
2010-2011.....	-5.3	-0.8	-7.8	-6.4	-4.4
2009-2010.....	-6.1	-8.2	-4.3	-9.2	-4.2
2008-2009.....	-5.8	-8.1	-2.3	-7.8	-4.7
2007-2008.....	-3.3	-5.1	-1.6	-1.9	-4.3
2006-2007.....	-1.4	-9.1	-1.8	-0.4	-1.8
2006-2015.....	-14.2	-25.1	-	-25.6	-11.1
Rate per 100,000 population ²					
2015.....	426.4	4.8	32.7	135.1	253.8
2014.....	393.3	4.4	24.4	126.4	238.1
2013.....	396.9	4.6	19.5	140.4	232.5
2012.....	424.7	5.0	20.7	149.3	249.6
2011.....	413.3	4.8	20.4	144.7	243.4
2010.....	439.3	4.8	22.3	155.7	256.5
2009.....	470.9	5.3	23.5	172.6	269.5
2008.....	502.6	5.8	24.2	188.3	284.3
2007.....	523.9	6.2	24.8	193.4	299.5
2006.....	535.6	6.9	25.4	195.8	307.5
Percent change in rate					
2014-2015.....	8.4	9.1	-	6.9	6.6
2013-2014.....	-0.9	-4.3	-	-10.0	2.4
2012-2013.....	-6.5	-8.0	-5.8	-6.0	-6.9
2011-2012.....	2.8	4.2	1.5	3.2	2.5
2010-2011.....	-5.9	0.0	-8.5	-7.1	-5.1
2009-2010.....	-6.7	-9.4	-5.1	-9.8	-4.8
2008-2009.....	-6.3	-8.6	-2.9	-8.3	-5.2
2007-2008.....	-4.1	-6.5	-2.4	-2.6	-5.1
2006-2007.....	-2.2	-10.1	-2.4	-1.2	-2.6
2006-2015.....	-20.4	-30.4	-	-31.0	-17.5

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

Dash indicates that a percent change was not calculated due to data definition change.

¹ In 2014, the crime of "forcible rape" was changed to "rape". The definition was expanded to include both male and female victims and reflects the various forms of sexual penetration understood to be rape according to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting standards. For additional information, see Appendix 1, Data Characteristics and Known Limitations.

² Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2010 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

Table 2
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Gender of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Gender of victim	Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population										Percent change		
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2006-2015	2014-2015	
Total													
Number of victims.....	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861	-25.1	9.7	
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Population.....	36,246,822	36,552,529	36,856,222	37,077,204	37,318,481	37,578,616	37,826,160	38,204,597	38,499,378	39,071,323	7.8	1.5	
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Rate.....	6.9	6.2	5.8	5.3	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.8	-30.4	9.1	
Male¹													
Number of victims.....	2,070	1,865	1,766	1,619	1,452	1,450	1,526	1,432	1,388	1,540	-25.6	11.0	
Percent of total victims..	83.4%	82.6%	82.4%	82.2%	80.3%	80.8%	81.3%	82.1%	81.8%	82.8%	7.3	0.9	
Population.....	18,027,444	18,179,624	18,330,671	18,444,224	18,519,660	18,683,804	18,821,707	18,976,131	19,178,646	19,350,693	7.3	0.9	
Percent of population....	49.7%	49.7%	49.7%	49.7%	49.6%	49.7%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	49.7%			
Rate.....	11.5	10.3	9.6	8.8	7.8	7.8	8.1	7.5	7.2	8.0	-30.4	11.1	
Female													
Number of victims.....	413	393	377	351	357	344	352	313	309	321	-22.3	3.9	
Percent of total victims..	16.6%	17.4%	17.6%	17.8%	19.7%	19.2%	18.7%	17.9%	18.2%	17.2%	7.3	0.9	
Population.....	18,219,378	18,372,905	18,525,551	18,632,980	18,798,821	18,886,503	19,004,453	19,142,255	19,369,558	19,546,276	7.3	0.9	
Percent of population....	50.3%	50.3%	50.3%	50.3%	50.4%	50.3%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	50.3%			
Rate.....	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.6	-30.4	0.0	

Notes: Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2011 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

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

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

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

¹The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 3
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Race/ethnic group of victim	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Percent change	
	2006-2015	2007-2015	2008-2015	2009-2015	2010-2015	2011-2015	2012-2015	2013-2015	2014-2015	2015	2006-2015	2014-2015
Total												
Number of victims.....	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861	-25.1	9.7
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Population.....	36,246,822	36,552,529	36,856,222	37,077,204	37,318,481	37,578,616	37,826,160	38,204,597	38,499,378	39,071,323	7.8	1.5
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Rate.....	6.9	6.2	5.8	5.3	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.8	-30.4	9.1
White												
Number of victims.....	432	372	389	392	329	400	359	370	360	394	-8.8	9.4
Percent of total victims.....	17.4%	16.5%	18.2%	19.9%	18.2%	22.3%	19.1%	21.2%	21.2%	21.2%		
Population.....	15,625,359	15,556,795	15,487,390	15,251,448	14,806,890	14,995,619	14,953,617	14,925,450	14,978,205	14,972,954	-4.2	0.0
Percent of population.....	43.1%	42.6%	42.0%	41.1%	39.7%	39.9%	39.5%	39.2%	38.9%	38.5%		
Rate.....	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.2	2.7	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.6	-7.1	8.3
Hispanic												
Number of victims.....	1,129	1,055	1,003	913	805	761	814	739	700	802	-29.0	14.6
Percent of total victims.....	45.5%	46.7%	46.8%	46.3%	44.5%	42.4%	43.3%	42.3%	41.2%	43.1%		
Population.....	12,923,558	13,185,607	13,443,156	13,792,550	14,156,873	14,277,952	14,501,606	14,739,555	14,934,682	15,172,006	17.4	1.6
Percent of population.....	35.7%	36.1%	36.5%	37.2%	37.9%	38.0%	38.3%	38.7%	38.7%	39.0%		
Rate.....	8.7	8.0	7.5	6.6	5.7	5.3	5.6	5.0	4.7	5.3	-39.1	12.8
Black												
Number of victims.....	736	665	577	534	536	488	571	534	510	526	-28.5	3.1
Percent of total victims.....	29.6%	29.5%	26.9%	27.1%	29.6%	27.2%	30.4%	30.6%	30.1%	28.3%		
Population.....	2,216,691	2,216,181	2,217,102	2,205,579	2,167,448	2,195,986	2,203,540	2,209,668	2,226,129	2,236,361	0.9	0.5
Percent of population.....	6.1%	6.1%	6.0%	5.9%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%		
Rate.....	33.2	30.0	26.0	24.2	24.7	22.2	25.9	24.2	22.9	23.5	-29.2	2.6
Other												
Number of victims.....	178	156	159	120	133	134	125	99	120	130	-27.0	8.3
Percent of total victims.....	7.2%	6.9%	7.4%	6.1%	7.4%	7.5%	6.7%	5.7%	7.1%	7.0%		
Population.....	5,481,214	5,593,946	5,708,574	5,827,627	6,187,270	6,100,751	6,167,397	6,243,713	6,409,188	6,515,648	18.9	1.7
Percent of population.....	15.1%	15.3%	15.5%	15.7%	16.6%	16.2%	16.3%	16.4%	16.6%	16.8%		
Rate.....	3.2	2.8	2.8	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.0	1.6	1.9	2.0	-37.5	5.3
Unknown												
Number of victims.....	8	10	15	11	6	11	9	3	7	9	-	-
Percent of total victims.....	0.3%	0.4%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	0.6%	0.5%	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%		
Population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percent of population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
 Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2011 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.
 Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they may not add to the rate calculated for the total population.
 Population breakdowns by race/ethnic group will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
 Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown race/ethnic group population data.
 Dash may also indicate that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Age of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Age of victim	Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population										Percent change		
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2006-2015	2014-2015	
Total													
Number of victims.....	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861	-25.1	9.7	
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Population.....	36,246,822	36,552,529	36,856,222	37,077,204	37,318,481	37,578,616	37,826,160	38,204,597	38,499,378	39,071,323	7.8	1.5	
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Rate.....	6.9	6.2	5.8	5.3	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.8	-30.4	9.1	
Under 18													
Number of victims.....	316	270	273	242	216	178	171	163	127	145	-54.1	14.2	
Percent of total victims.....	12.7%	12.0%	12.7%	12.3%	11.9%	9.9%	9.1%	9.3%	7.5%	7.8%			
Population.....	9,550,173	9,549,093	9,525,912	9,307,822	9,225,094	9,214,425	9,170,526	9,150,549	9,097,971	9,102,486	-4.7	0.0	
Percent of population.....	26.3%	26.1%	25.8%	25.1%	24.7%	24.5%	24.2%	24.0%	23.6%	23.4%			
Rate.....	3.3	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.3	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.4	1.6	-51.5	14.3	
18-29													
Number of victims.....	1,147	998	906	838	769	760	788	714	693	718	-37.4	3.6	
Percent of total victims.....	46.2%	44.2%	42.3%	42.5%	42.5%	42.4%	42.0%	40.9%	40.8%	38.6%			
Population.....	6,345,381	6,430,891	6,516,559	6,603,372	6,739,139	6,721,977	6,749,249	6,772,846	6,759,244	6,751,410	6.4	-0.1	
Percent of population.....	17.5%	17.6%	17.7%	17.8%	18.1%	17.9%	17.8%	17.8%	17.5%	17.4%			
Rate.....	18.1	15.5	13.9	12.7	11.4	11.3	11.7	10.5	10.3	10.6	-41.4	2.9	
30-39													
Number of victims.....	418	432	381	353	351	322	369	345	342	389	-6.9	13.7	
Percent of total victims.....	16.8%	19.1%	17.8%	17.9%	19.4%	17.9%	19.6%	19.8%	20.2%	20.9%			
Population.....	5,253,382	5,231,468	5,223,989	5,163,197	5,198,656	5,152,459	5,185,226	5,234,980	5,319,450	5,379,452	2.4	1.1	
Percent of population.....	14.5%	14.3%	14.2%	13.9%	13.9%	13.7%	13.7%	13.7%	13.8%	13.8%			
Rate.....	8.0	8.3	7.3	6.8	6.8	6.2	7.1	6.6	6.4	7.2	-10.0	12.5	
40 and over													
Number of victims.....	586	552	569	528	469	527	543	522	530	601	2.6	13.4	
Percent of total victims.....	23.6%	24.4%	26.6%	26.8%	25.9%	29.4%	28.9%	29.9%	31.2%	32.3%			
Population.....	15,097,886	15,341,077	15,589,762	16,002,813	16,155,591	16,481,446	16,721,160	16,960,010	17,371,539	17,663,621	17.0	1.7	
Percent of population.....	41.7%	42.0%	42.3%	43.2%	43.3%	43.9%	44.2%	44.5%	45.1%	45.4%			
Rate.....	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.3	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.4	-12.8	9.7	
Unknown													
Number of victims.....	16	6	14	9	4	7	7	1	5	8	-	-	
Percent of total victims.....	0.6%	0.3%	0.7%	0.5%	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%	0.1%	0.3%	0.4%			
Population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Percent of population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
 Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2011 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.
 Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population.
 Population breakdowns by age will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
 Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown age population data.
 Dash may also indicate that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

Table 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Gender of Victim

Year(s)	Total				Male ¹		Female	
	Number		Percent		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015.....	1,861	100.0	1,540	82.8	321	17.2		
2014.....	1,697	100.0	1,388	81.8	309	18.2		
2013.....	1,745	100.0	1,432	82.1	313	17.9		
2012.....	1,878	100.0	1,526	81.3	352	18.7		
2011.....	1,794	100.0	1,450	80.8	344	19.2		
2010.....	1,809	100.0	1,452	80.3	357	19.7		
2009.....	1,970	100.0	1,619	82.2	351	17.8		
2008.....	2,143	100.0	1,766	82.4	377	17.6		
2007.....	2,258	100.0	1,865	82.6	393	17.4		
2006.....	2,483	100.0	2,070	83.4	413	16.6		

¹ The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 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		
2015.....	1,861	9	1,852	100.0	394	21.3	802	43.3	526	28.4	130	7.0		
2014.....	1,697	7	1,690	100.0	360	21.3	700	41.4	510	30.2	120	7.1		
2013.....	1,745	3	1,742	100.0	370	21.2	739	42.4	534	30.7	99	5.7		
2012.....	1,878	9	1,869	100.0	359	19.2	814	43.6	571	30.6	125	6.7		
2011.....	1,794	11	1,783	100.0	400	22.4	761	42.7	488	27.4	134	7.5		
2010.....	1,809	6	1,803	100.0	329	18.2	805	44.6	536	29.7	133	7.4		
2009.....	1,970	11	1,959	100.0	392	20.0	913	46.6	534	27.3	120	6.1		
2008.....	2,143	15	2,128	100.0	389	18.3	1,003	47.1	577	27.1	159	7.5		
2007.....	2,258	10	2,248	100.0	372	16.5	1,055	46.9	665	29.6	156	6.9		
2006.....	2,483	8	2,475	100.0	432	17.5	1,129	45.6	736	29.7	178	7.2		

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

Table 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 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		
2015.....	1,861	8	1,853	100.0	145	7.8	718	38.7	389	21.0	601	32.4		
2014.....	1,697	5	1,692	100.0	127	7.5	693	41.0	342	20.2	530	31.3		
2013.....	1,745	1	1,744	100.0	163	9.3	714	40.9	345	19.8	522	29.9		
2012.....	1,878	7	1,871	100.0	171	9.1	788	42.1	369	19.7	543	29.0		
2011.....	1,794	7	1,787	100.0	178	10.0	760	42.5	322	18.0	527	29.5		
2010.....	1,809	4	1,805	100.0	216	12.0	769	42.6	351	19.4	469	26.0		
2009.....	1,970	9	1,961	100.0	242	12.3	838	42.7	353	18.0	528	26.9		
2008.....	2,143	14	2,129	100.0	273	12.8	906	42.6	381	17.9	569	26.7		
2007.....	2,258	6	2,252	100.0	270	12.0	998	44.3	432	19.2	552	24.5		
2006.....	2,483	16	2,467	100.0	316	12.8	1,147	46.5	418	16.9	586	23.8		

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

Table 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender of Victim

Gender of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Total.....	1,861	100.0	394	100.0	802	100.0	526	100.0	130	100.0	9
Male ¹	1,540	82.8	263	66.8	700	87.3	475	90.3	93	71.5	9	-
Female.....	321	17.2	131	33.2	102	12.7	51	9.7	37	28.5	0	-

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

¹ The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Age of Victim

Age of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	1,861	-	394	-	802	-	526	-	130	-	9	-
Unknown.....	8	-	2	-	3	-	1	-	0	-	2	-
Total known.....	1,853	100.0	392	100.0	799	100.0	525	100.0	130	100.0	7	100.0
Under 18.....	145	7.8	26	6.6	87	10.9	27	5.1	5	3.8	0	-
18-29.....	718	38.7	73	18.6	373	46.7	231	44.0	40	30.8	1	-
30-39.....	389	21.0	73	18.6	171	21.4	113	21.5	29	22.3	3	-
40 and over.....	601	32.4	220	56.1	168	21.0	154	29.3	56	43.1	3	-

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

Table 10
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender and Age of Victim

Gender and age of victim	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other		Unknown	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,861	100.0	394	100.0	802	100.0	526	100.0	130	100.0	9	100.0
Under 18.....	145	7.8	26	6.6	87	10.8	27	5.1	5	3.8	0	-
18-19.....	117	6.3	10	2.5	63	7.9	38	7.2	5	3.8	1	-
20-24.....	327	17.6	26	6.6	175	21.8	108	20.5	18	13.8	0	-
25-29.....	274	14.7	37	9.4	135	16.8	85	16.2	17	13.1	0	-
30-34.....	215	11.6	46	11.7	82	10.2	66	12.5	19	14.6	2	-
35-39.....	174	9.3	27	6.9	89	11.1	47	8.9	10	7.7	1	-
40-44.....	123	6.6	28	7.1	53	6.6	39	7.4	3	2.3	0	-
45-49.....	134	7.2	37	9.4	40	5.0	43	8.2	13	10.0	1	-
50-54.....	107	5.7	40	10.2	32	4.0	30	5.7	4	3.1	1	-
55 and over.....	237	12.7	115	29.2	43	5.4	42	8.0	36	27.7	1	-
Unknown.....	8	0.4	2	0.5	3	0.4	1	0.2	0	0.0	2	-
Male ¹	1,540	100.0	263	100.0	700	100.0	475	100.0	93	100.0	9	100.0
Under 18.....	117	7.6	18	6.8	72	10.3	22	4.6	5	5.4	0	-
18-19.....	105	6.8	9	3.4	55	7.9	35	7.4	5	5.4	1	-
20-24.....	294	19.1	20	7.6	156	22.3	102	21.5	16	17.2	0	-
25-29.....	239	15.5	26	9.9	122	17.4	75	15.8	16	17.2	0	-
30-34.....	179	11.6	33	12.5	71	10.1	58	12.2	15	16.1	2	-
35-39.....	149	9.7	20	7.6	78	11.1	44	9.3	6	6.5	1	-
40-44.....	102	6.6	21	8.0	48	6.9	32	6.7	1	1.1	0	-
45-49.....	112	7.3	27	10.3	33	4.7	42	8.8	9	9.7	1	-
50-54.....	88	5.7	30	11.4	28	4.0	27	5.7	2	2.2	1	-
55 and over.....	148	9.6	58	22.1	34	4.9	37	7.8	18	19.4	1	-
Unknown.....	7	0.5	1	0.4	3	0.4	1	0.2	0	0.0	2	-
Female.....	321	100.0	131	100.0	102	100.0	51	100.0	37	100.0	0	0.0
Under 18.....	28	8.7	8	6.1	15	14.7	5	9.8	0	-	0	-
18-19.....	12	3.7	1	0.8	8	7.8	3	5.9	0	-	0	-
20-24.....	33	10.3	6	4.6	19	18.6	6	11.8	2	-	0	-
25-29.....	35	10.9	11	8.4	13	12.7	10	19.6	1	-	0	-
30-34.....	36	11.2	13	9.9	11	10.8	8	15.7	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	25	7.8	7	5.3	11	10.8	3	5.9	4	-	0	-
40-44.....	21	6.5	7	5.3	5	4.9	7	13.7	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	22	6.9	10	7.6	7	6.9	1	2.0	4	-	0	-
50-54.....	19	5.9	10	7.6	4	3.9	3	5.9	2	-	0	-
55 and over.....	89	27.7	57	43.5	9	8.8	5	9.8	18	-	0	-
Unknown.....	1	0.3	1	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	-	0	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
¹The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		1,809	
Unknown.....	1,109		1,131		1,030		878		804	
Total known.....	1,374	100.0	1,127	100.0	1,113	100.0	1,092	100.0	1,005	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	593	43.2	475	42.1	540	48.5	572	52.4	446	44.4
Spouse, parent, child.....	180	13.1	155	13.8	169	15.2	160	14.7	167	16.6
Spouse ²	86	6.3	76	6.7	71	6.4	64	5.9	84	8.4
Parent, child ³	94	6.8	79	7.0	98	8.8	96	8.8	83	8.3
All other relatives.....	43	3.1	40	3.5	68	6.1	34	3.1	37	3.7
Stranger.....	558	40.6	457	40.6	336	30.2	326	29.9	355	35.3

Relationship of victim to offender (cont.)	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2006-2015	2014-2015
Total including unknown.....	1,794		1,878		1,745		1,697		1,861			
Unknown.....	764		838		843		773		837			
Total known.....	1,030	100.0	1,040	100.0	902	100.0	924	100.0	1,024	100.0	-25.5	10.8
Friend, acquaintance ¹	456	44.3	526	50.6	423	46.9	423	45.8	485	47.4	-18.2	14.7
Spouse, parent, child.....	164	15.9	141	13.6	149	16.5	148	16.0	153	14.9	-15.0	3.4
Spouse ²	72	7.0	61	5.9	64	7.1	59	6.4	72	7.0	-16.3	22.0
Parent, child ³	92	8.9	80	7.7	85	9.4	89	9.6	81	7.9	-13.8	-9.0
All other relatives.....	39	3.8	49	4.7	51	5.7	55	6.0	65	6.3	-	18.2
Stranger.....	371	36.0	324	31.2	279	30.9	298	32.3	321	31.3	-42.5	7.7

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

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

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

² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 12
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 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.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Unknown.....	837	776	61	87	410	293	41	6
Total known.....	1,024	764	260	307	392	233	89	3
Friend, acquaintance ²	485	377	108	141	183	124	35	2
Spouse, parent, child.....	153	53	100	67	39	23	23	1
Spouse ³	72	7	65	31	20	7	14	0
Parent, child ⁴	81	46	35	36	19	16	9	1
All other relatives.....	65	45	20	28	19	10	8	0
Stranger.....	321	289	32	71	151	76	23	0
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	47.4	49.3	41.5	45.9	46.7	53.2	39.3	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	14.9	6.9	38.5	21.8	9.9	9.9	25.8	-
Spouse ³	7.0	0.9	25.0	10.1	5.1	3.0	15.7	-
Parent, child ⁴	7.9	6.0	13.5	11.7	4.8	6.9	10.1	-
All other relatives.....	6.3	5.9	7.7	9.1	4.8	4.3	9.0	-
Stranger.....	31.3	37.8	12.3	23.1	38.5	32.6	25.8	-

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

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

¹ The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

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

³ Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

⁴ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Number					
	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Total including unknown.....	1,861	145	718	389	601	8
Unknown.....	837	52	398	170	209	8
Total known.....	1,024	93	320	219	392	0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	485	42	159	108	176	0
Spouse, parent, child.....	153	30	9	23	91	0
Spouse ²	72	0	7	18	47	0
Parent, child ³	81	30	2	5	44	0
All other relatives.....	65	8	13	9	35	0
Stranger.....	321	13	139	79	90	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	47.4	45.2	49.7	49.3	44.9	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	14.9	32.3	2.8	10.5	23.2	-
Spouse ²	7.0	0.0	2.2	8.2	12.0	-
Parent, child ³	7.9	32.3	0.6	2.3	11.2	-
All other relatives.....	6.3	8.6	4.1	4.1	8.9	-
Stranger.....	31.3	14.0	43.4	36.1	23.0	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
¹ Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.
² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.
³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 14
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Statewide total.....	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861
Alameda.....	172	152	147	138	132	133	152	113	102	119
Alpine.....	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	1
Butte.....	11	9	7	10	7	8	11	13	11	7
Calaveras.....	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	5	0	6
Collusa.....	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Contra Costa.....	93	98	76	89	65	62	56	42	47	57
Del Norte.....	0	2	0	1	3	2	1	0	1	1
El Dorado.....	4	4	8	3	3	4	3	5	3	9
Fresno.....	74	73	65	69	63	55	76	57	59	59
Glenn.....	1	2	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	3
Humboldt.....	5	3	3	8	6	3	2	8	11	12
Imperial.....	3	4	8	3	3	3	3	2	3	2
Inyo.....	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern.....	65	50	57	75	74	46	65	61	59	64
Kings.....	4	7	7	4	3	8	4	6	7	5
Lake.....	7	5	5	4	4	3	3	4	6	8
Lassen.....	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	0
Los Angeles.....	1,012	863	806	699	617	569	600	543	526	592
Madera.....	2	5	10	3	10	5	2	13	9	4
Marin.....	3	1	5	4	4	2	0	2	5	6
Mariposa.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Mendocino.....	6	6	7	5	4	7	6	4	6	6
Merced.....	22	17	21	26	26	14	23	27	29	27
Modoc.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	0
Mono.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey.....	15	29	36	51	44	34	45	47	34	60
Napa.....	2	6	1	1	2	3	2	2	5	3
Nevada.....	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	3	0
Orange.....	79	77	72	69	67	74	51	51	61	57

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Placer.....	6	4	3	6	2	7	2	2	2	4
Plumas.....	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Riverside.....	109	105	90	91	87	79	76	94	93	87
Sacramento.....	99	91	97	70	82	79	79	78	80	92
San Benito.....	2	5	3	0	1	5	1	4	4	1
San Bernardino.....	161	159	119	121	104	106	102	125	110	109
San Diego.....	126	107	90	75	67	82	107	71	74	84
San Francisco.....	86	100	98	45	48	50	69	48	45	53
San Joaquin.....	57	45	35	51	63	87	89	47	67	64
San Luis Obispo.....	6	5	4	4	6	5	6	5	3	3
San Mateo.....	22	13	18	16	20	16	10	11	11	14
Santa Barbara.....	13	10	14	11	11	10	6	6	16	18
Santa Clara.....	37	46	50	46	25	56	55	53	40	44
Santa Cruz.....	16	6	8	10	14	10	10	11	9	6
Shasta.....	8	11	4	3	3	6	7	10	8	5
Sierra.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou.....	0	2	1	1	1	2	5	1	1	4
Solano.....	14	31	24	20	33	30	28	31	27	31
Sonoma.....	11	8	12	9	6	11	4	9	7	9
Stanislaus.....	29	27	31	46	29	34	38	33	32	39
Sutter.....	4	2	4	1	5	4	5	4	0	1
Tehama.....	5	1	0	3	1	2	3	4	6	3
Trinity.....	0	1	0	0	0	3	4	1	3	1
Tulare.....	49	38	43	31	35	39	33	42	36	45
Tuolumne.....	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ventura.....	29	17	31	29	18	15	21	34	20	24
Yolo.....	4	4	4	7	3	5	0	6	4	6
Yuba.....	3	0	6	3	2	4	6	3	2	5

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Rate per 100,000 population									
Statewide total.....	6.9	6.2	5.8	5.3	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.8
Alameda.....	11.7	10.3	9.9	9.2	8.7	8.7	9.9	7.2	6.4	7.3
Alpine.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amador.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butte.....	5.1	4.1	3.2	4.6	3.2	3.6	5.0	5.9	4.9	3.1
Calaveras.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colusa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contra Costa.....	9.2	9.6	7.4	8.5	6.2	5.8	5.2	3.9	4.3	5.1
Del Norte.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Dorado.....	2.3	2.3	4.5	1.7	1.7	2.2	1.7	2.7	1.6	4.9
Fresno.....	8.3	8.1	7.1	7.5	6.8	5.8	8.0	5.9	6.1	6.0
Glenn.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Humboldt.....	3.8	2.3	2.3	6	4.5	2.2	1.5	5.9	8.2	8.9
Imperial.....	1.8	2.4	4.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.1	1.7	1.1
Inyo.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kern.....	8.3	6.2	7.0	9.0	8.8	5.4	7.6	7.0	6.8	7.2
Kings.....	2.7	4.7	4.6	2.6	2.0	5.2	2.7	4.0	4.7	3.3
Lake.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lassen.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles.....	10.3	8.8	8.2	7.1	6.3	5.8	6.1	5.4	5.2	5.8
Madera.....	1.4	3.4	6.7	2	6.6	3.3	1.3	8.5	5.8	2.6
Marin.....	1.2	0.4	2.0	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.0	0.8	1.9	2.3
Mariposa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mendocino.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Merced.....	9.0	6.8	8.3	10.2	10.1	5.4	8.8	10.3	10.9	10.0
Modoc.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mono.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey.....	3.7	7.1	8.8	12.3	10.6	8.1	10.6	11.1	8.0	13.8
Napa.....	1.5	4.5	0.7	0.7	1.5	2.2	1.4	1.4	3.6	2.1
Nevada.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orange.....	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.4	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.8

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Rate per 100,000 population									
Placer.....	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.7	0.6	2.0	0.6	0.5	0.5	1.1
Plumas.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Riverside.....	5.4	5.0	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.5	3.4	4.1	4.1	3.7
Sacramento.....	7.2	6.6	6.9	5.0	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.5	6.2
San Benito.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
San Bernardino.....	8.1	7.9	5.9	6.0	5.1	5.1	4.9	6.0	5.3	5.1
San Diego.....	4.2	3.5	2.9	2.4	2.2	2.6	3.4	2.2	2.3	2.6
San Francisco.....	11.0	12.6	12.3	5.6	5.9	6.1	8.4	5.8	5.4	6.1
San Joaquin.....	8.6	6.7	5.2	7.5	9.2	12.5	12.7	6.7	9.4	8.8
San Luis Obispo.....	2.3	1.9	1.5	1.5	2.2	1.8	2.2	1.8	1.1	1.1
San Mateo.....	3.1	1.8	2.5	2.2	2.8	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.8
Santa Barbara.....	3.1	2.4	3.3	2.6	2.6	2.3	1.4	1.4	3.7	4.0
Santa Clara.....	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.6	1.4	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.1	2.3
Santa Cruz.....	6.3	2.3	3.1	3.8	5.3	3.8	3.7	4.1	3.3	2.2
Shasta.....	4.6	6.3	2.3	1.7	1.7	3.4	3.9	5.6	4.5	2.8
Sierra.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Siskiyou.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solano.....	3.4	7.5	5.8	4.8	8.0	7.3	6.7	7.3	6.3	7.2
Sonoma.....	2.3	1.7	2.5	1.9	1.2	2.3	0.8	1.8	1.4	1.8
Stanislaus.....	5.8	5.3	6.1	9.0	5.6	6.6	7.3	6.3	6.0	7.2
Sutter.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tehama.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trinity.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tulare.....	11.8	9.0	10.0	7.1	7.9	8.7	7.3	9.2	7.8	9.7
Tuolumne.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ventura.....	3.6	2.1	3.8	3.5	2.2	1.8	2.5	4.0	2.4	2.8
Yolo.....	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.5	1.5	2.5	0.0	2.9	1.9	2.8
Yuba.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: Dash indicates that a rate is not computed when a county's population is less than 100,000 in a given year.
 Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2010 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.
 Rates are calculated using the population for each county shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the state.

Table 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Season and Month of Incident

Season and month of incident	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Number										
Total including unknown...	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	2,483	2,258	2,143	1,970	1,809	1,794	1,878	1,745	1,697	1,861
Spring.....	609	528	558	513	522	464	464	436	456	428
March.....	180	171	203	177	174	134	154	147	141	146
April.....	220	172	166	164	163	147	160	137	147	136
May.....	209	185	189	172	185	183	150	152	168	146
Summer.....	683	656	533	540	444	465	492	507	410	510
June.....	220	206	189	152	134	147	165	184	123	174
July.....	240	228	150	210	137	170	148	168	152	170
August.....	223	222	194	178	173	148	179	155	135	166
Fall.....	612	528	532	452	411	432	501	399	439	494
September.....	204	172	200	147	128	137	170	138	140	174
October.....	209	189	170	152	142	162	178	119	156	167
November.....	199	167	162	153	141	133	153	142	143	153
Winter.....	579	546	520	465	432	433	421	403	392	429
December.....	200	186	160	165	150	148	140	134	146	174
January.....	204	210	176	173	154	173	148	138	122	140
February.....	175	150	184	127	128	112	133	131	124	115
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.....	24.5	23.4	26.0	26.0	28.9	25.9	24.7	25.0	26.9	23.0
March.....	7.2	7.6	9.5	9.0	9.6	7.5	8.2	8.4	8.3	7.8
April.....	8.9	7.6	7.7	8.3	9.0	8.2	8.5	7.9	8.7	7.3
May.....	8.4	8.2	8.8	8.7	10.2	10.2	8.0	8.7	9.9	7.8
Summer.....	27.5	29.1	24.9	27.4	24.5	25.9	26.2	29.1	24.2	27.4
June.....	8.9	9.1	8.8	7.7	7.4	8.2	8.8	10.5	7.2	9.3
July.....	9.7	10.1	7.0	10.7	7.6	9.5	7.9	9.6	9.0	9.1
August.....	9.0	9.8	9.1	9.0	9.6	8.2	9.5	8.9	8.0	8.9
Fall.....	24.6	23.4	24.8	22.9	22.7	24.1	26.7	22.9	25.9	26.5
September.....	8.2	7.6	9.3	7.5	7.1	7.6	9.1	7.9	8.2	9.3
October.....	8.4	8.4	7.9	7.7	7.8	9.0	9.5	6.8	9.2	9.0
November.....	8.0	7.4	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.4	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.2
Winter.....	23.3	24.2	24.3	23.6	23.9	24.1	22.4	23.1	23.1	23.1
December.....	8.1	8.2	7.5	8.4	8.3	8.2	7.5	7.7	8.6	9.3
January.....	8.2	9.3	8.2	8.8	8.5	9.6	7.9	7.9	7.2	7.5
February.....	7.0	6.6	8.6	6.4	7.1	6.2	7.1	7.5	7.3	6.2

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

Table 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 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.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Weekday.....	1,229	1,010	219	261	508	358	96	6
Monday.....	254	206	48	65	102	66	19	2
Tuesday.....	240	200	40	45	108	70	16	1
Wednesday.....	248	191	57	48	105	73	21	1
Thursday.....	221	179	42	56	85	64	16	0
Friday.....	266	234	32	47	108	85	24	2
Weekend.....	632	530	102	133	294	168	34	3
Saturday.....	315	257	58	66	142	87	18	2
Sunday.....	317	273	44	67	152	81	16	1
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	66.0	65.6	68.2	66.2	63.3	68.1	73.8	-
Monday.....	13.6	13.4	15.0	16.5	12.7	12.5	14.6	-
Tuesday.....	12.9	13.0	12.5	11.4	13.5	13.3	12.3	-
Wednesday.....	13.3	12.4	17.8	12.2	13.1	13.9	16.2	-
Thursday.....	11.9	11.6	13.1	14.2	10.6	12.2	12.3	-
Friday.....	14.3	15.2	10.0	11.9	13.5	16.2	18.5	-
Weekend.....	34.0	34.4	31.8	33.8	36.7	31.9	26.2	-
Saturday.....	16.9	16.7	18.1	16.8	17.7	16.5	13.8	-
Sunday.....	17.0	17.7	13.7	17.0	19.0	15.4	12.3	-
Average daily number of incidents ²								
Weekday.....	4.7	3.9	0.8	1.0	1.9	1.4	0.4	0.0
Weekend.....	6.1	5.1	1.0	1.3	2.8	1.6	0.3	0.0

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

¹The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.
²There were 365 days in 2015; 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, 2015
 Age of Victim by Day of Incident

Day of incident	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,861	145	718	389	601	8
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	1,861	145	718	389	601	8
Weekday.....	1,229	97	461	251	415	5
Monday.....	254	13	93	51	96	1
Tuesday.....	240	23	92	47	78	0
Wednesday.....	248	18	97	50	81	2
Thursday.....	221	11	77	50	81	2
Friday.....	266	32	102	53	79	0
Weekend.....	632	48	257	138	186	3
Saturday.....	315	23	122	67	101	2
Sunday.....	317	25	135	71	85	1
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	66.0	66.9	64.2	64.5	69.1	-
Monday.....	13.6	9.0	13.0	13.1	16.0	-
Tuesday.....	12.9	15.9	12.8	12.1	13.0	-
Wednesday.....	13.3	12.4	13.5	12.9	13.5	-
Thursday.....	11.9	7.6	10.7	12.9	13.5	-
Friday.....	14.3	22.1	14.2	13.6	13.1	-
Weekend.....	34.0	33.1	35.8	35.5	30.9	-
Saturday.....	16.9	15.9	17.0	17.2	16.8	-
Sunday.....	17.0	17.2	18.8	18.3	14.1	-
Average daily number of incidents ¹						
Weekday.....	4.7	0.4	1.8	1.0	1.6	0.0
Weekend.....	6.1	0.5	2.5	1.3	1.8	0.0

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

¹ There were 365 days in 2015; 261 weekdays and 104 weekend days. The average daily number of incidents for weekdays was calculated by dividing weekday totals by 261. The average daily number of incidents for weekends was calculated by dividing weekend totals by 104.

Table 18
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		1,809	
Unknown.....	19		58		69		91		52	
Total known.....	2,464	100.0	2,200	100.0	2,074	100.0	1,879	100.0	1,757	100.0
Victim's, shared residence.....	548	22.2	485	22.0	517	24.9	475	25.3	454	25.8
Victim's residence.....	397	16.1	424	19.3	437	21.1	408	21.7	373	21.2
Shared residence.....	151	6.1	61	2.8	80	3.9	67	3.6	81	4.6
Street, sidewalk.....	1,097	44.5	980	44.5	764	36.8	665	35.4	640	36.4
All other.....	819	33.2	735	33.4	793	38.2	739	39.3	663	37.7
Hotel, motel.....	22	0.9	15	0.7	16	0.8	26	1.4	27	1.5
Other residence.....	167	6.8	165	7.5	247	11.9	228	12.1	242	13.8
Liquor store.....	5	0.2	8	0.4	10	0.5	11	0.6	7	0.4
Bar.....	41	1.7	36	1.6	26	1.3	35	1.9	19	1.1
Other business.....	61	2.5	48	2.2	43	2.1	49	2.6	43	2.4
Parking lot.....	104	4.2	108	4.9	121	5.8	123	6.5	90	5.1
Vehicle.....	296	12.0	176	8.0	184	8.9	135	7.2	115	6.5
Field, park.....	92	3.7	125	5.7	102	4.9	101	5.4	79	4.5
School.....	3	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1	2	0.1	5	0.3
Other.....	28	1.1	52	2.4	41	2.0	29	1.5	36	2.0

Location of homicide (cont.)	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2006-2015	2014-2015
Total including unknown.....	1,794		1,878		1,745		1,697		1,861			
Unknown.....	36		33		29		26		40			
Total known.....	1,758	100.0	1,845	100.0	1,716	100.0	1,671	100.0	1,821	100.0	-26.1	9.0
Victim's, shared residence.....	423	24.1	488	26.4	437	25.5	453	27.1	428	23.5	-21.9	-5.5
Victim's residence.....	330	18.8	420	22.8	376	21.9	369	22.1	356	19.5	-10.3	-3.5
Shared residence.....	93	5.3	68	3.7	61	3.6	84	5.0	72	4.0	-52.3	-14.3
Street, sidewalk.....	621	35.3	661	35.8	626	36.5	588	35.2	737	40.5	-32.8	25.3
All other.....	714	40.6	696	37.7	653	38.1	630	37.7	656	36.0	-19.9	4.1
Hotel, motel.....	24	1.4	19	1.0	21	1.2	18	1.1	24	1.3	-	-
Other residence.....	237	13.5	276	15.0	241	14.0	208	12.4	199	10.9	19.2	-4.3
Liquor store.....	10	0.6	5	0.3	2	0.1	5	0.3	6	0.3	-	-
Bar.....	40	2.3	29	1.6	22	1.3	15	0.9	27	1.5	-	-
Other business.....	61	3.5	39	2.1	39	2.3	43	2.6	54	3.0	-11.5	-
Parking lot.....	86	4.9	98	5.3	91	5.3	96	5.7	116	6.4	11.5	20.8
Vehicle.....	104	5.9	105	5.7	107	6.2	118	7.1	62	3.4	-79.1	-47.5
Field, park.....	89	5.1	68	3.7	70	4.1	72	4.3	94	5.2	2.2	30.6
School.....	6	0.3	10	0.5	3	0.2	1	0.1	3	0.2	-	-
Other.....	57	3.2	47	2.5	57	3.3	54	3.2	71	3.9	-	31.5

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

Table 19
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male ¹	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
		Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Unknown.....	40	36	4	10	18	7	3	2
Total known.....	1,821	1,504	317	384	784	519	127	7
Victim's, shared residence.....	428	264	164	154	148	84	40	2
Victim's residence.....	356	238	118	119	136	71	28	2
Shared residence.....	72	26	46	35	12	13	12	0
Street, sidewalk.....	737	692	45	78	338	286	34	1
All other.....	656	548	108	152	298	149	53	4
Hotel, motel.....	24	13	11	11	7	5	1	0
Other residence.....	199	159	40	57	83	45	14	0
Liquor store.....	6	6	0	0	2	4	0	0
Bar.....	27	26	1	4	15	2	6	0
Other business.....	54	42	12	13	22	11	7	1
Parking lot.....	116	106	10	22	55	30	9	0
Vehicle.....	62	51	11	9	33	16	3	1
Field, park.....	94	84	10	17	42	26	8	1
School.....	3	3	0	1	1	1	0	0
Other.....	71	58	13	18	38	9	5	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.....	23.5	17.6	51.7	40.1	18.9	16.2	31.5	-
Victim's residence.....	19.5	15.8	37.2	31.0	17.3	13.7	22.0	-
Shared residence.....	4.0	1.7	14.5	9.1	1.5	2.5	9.4	-
Street, sidewalk.....	40.5	46.0	14.2	20.3	43.1	55.1	26.8	-
All other.....	36.0	36.4	34.1	39.6	38.0	28.7	41.7	-
Hotel, motel.....	1.3	0.9	3.5	2.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	-
Other residence.....	10.9	10.6	12.6	14.8	10.6	8.7	11.0	-
Liquor store.....	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.8	0.0	-
Bar.....	1.5	1.7	0.3	1.0	1.9	0.4	4.7	-
Other business.....	3.0	2.8	3.8	3.4	2.8	2.1	5.5	-
Parking lot.....	6.4	7.0	3.2	5.7	7.0	5.8	7.1	-
Vehicle.....	3.4	3.4	3.5	2.3	4.2	3.1	2.4	-
Field, park.....	5.2	5.6	3.2	4.4	5.4	5.0	6.3	-
School.....	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	-
Other.....	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.7	4.8	1.7	3.9	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
¹ The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 20

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015

Age of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Total	Number					Unknown
		Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over		
Total including unknown.....	1,861	145	718	389	601	8	
Unknown.....	40	1	9	12	17	1	
Total known.....	1,821	144	709	377	584	7	
Victim's, shared residence.....	428	44	95	70	219	0	
Victim's residence.....	356	32	84	59	181	0	
Shared residence.....	72	12	11	11	38	0	
Street, sidewalk.....	737	51	348	168	168	2	
All other.....	656	49	266	139	197	5	
Hotel, motel.....	24	4	9	2	9	0	
Other residence.....	199	22	77	43	55	2	
Liquor store.....	6	0	2	0	4	0	
Bar.....	27	1	10	10	6	0	
Other business.....	54	0	18	9	27	0	
Parking lot.....	116	7	58	20	29	2	
Vehicle.....	62	4	29	17	12	0	
Field, park.....	94	9	38	21	26	0	
School.....	3	1	1	0	1	0	
Other.....	71	1	24	17	28	1	
Percent based on total known							
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Victim's, shared residence.....	23.5	30.6	13.4	18.6	37.5	-	
Victim's residence.....	19.5	22.2	11.8	15.6	31.0	-	
Shared residence.....	4.0	8.3	1.6	2.9	6.5	-	
Street, sidewalk.....	40.5	35.4	49.1	44.6	28.8	-	
All other.....	36.0	34.0	37.5	36.9	33.7	-	
Hotel, motel.....	1.3	2.8	1.3	0.5	1.5	-	
Other residence.....	10.9	15.3	10.9	11.4	9.4	-	
Liquor store.....	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.7	-	
Bar.....	1.5	0.7	1.4	2.7	1.0	-	
Other business.....	3.0	0.0	2.5	2.4	4.6	-	
Parking lot.....	6.4	4.9	8.2	5.3	5.0	-	
Vehicle.....	3.4	2.8	4.1	4.5	2.1	-	
Field, park.....	5.2	6.3	5.4	5.6	4.5	-	
School.....	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.2	-	
Other.....	3.9	0.7	3.4	4.5	4.8	-	

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

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

Table 21
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		1,809	
Unknown.....	25		34		33		42		46	
Total known.....	2,458	100.0	2,224	100.0	2,110	100.0	1,928	100.0	1,763	100.0
Firearm.....	1,821	74.1	1,610	72.4	1,487	70.5	1,359	70.5	1,255	71.2
Handgun.....	1,619	65.9	1,373	61.7	1,153	54.6	1,018	52.8	952	54.0
All other firearms.....	202	8.2	237	10.7	334	15.8	341	17.7	303	17.2
Rifle.....	74	3.0	52	2.3	48	2.3	45	2.3	58	3.3
Shotgun.....	70	2.8	73	3.3	64	3.0	49	2.5	43	2.4
Other firearm.....	0	0.0	3	0.1	8	0.4	3	0.2	2	0.1
Firearm - unknown type.....	58	2.4	109	4.9	214	10.1	244	12.7	200	11.3
Nonfirearm.....	637	25.9	614	27.6	623	29.5	569	29.5	508	28.8
Knife ¹	314	12.8	298	13.4	297	14.1	291	15.1	250	14.2
Blunt object ²	77	3.1	94	4.2	111	5.3	102	5.3	82	4.7
Personal weapon ³	130	5.3	118	5.3	120	5.7	107	5.5	103	5.8
All other.....	116	4.7	104	4.7	95	4.5	69	3.6	73	4.1
Rope ⁴	33	1.3	29	1.3	21	1.0	23	1.2	27	1.5
Drugs.....	5	0.2	1	0.0	2	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.1
Other ⁵	78	3.2	74	3.3	72	3.4	45	2.3	44	2.5

Type of weapon used (cont.)	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2006-2015	2014-2015
Total including unknown.....	1,794		1,878		1,745		1,697		1,861			
Unknown.....	46		50		46		37		40			
Total known.....	1,748	100.0	1,828	100.0	1,699	100.0	1,660	100.0	1,821	100.0	-25.9	9.7
Firearm.....	1,224	70.0	1,303	71.3	1,225	72.1	1,169	70.4	1,276	70.1	-29.9	9.2
Handgun.....	863	49.4	899	49.2	808	47.6	763	46.0	855	47.0	-47.2	12.1
All other firearms.....	361	20.7	404	22.1	417	24.5	406	24.5	421	23.1	108.4	3.7
Rifle.....	44	2.5	37	2.0	28	1.6	40	2.4	34	1.9	-54.1	-
Shotgun.....	51	2.9	52	2.8	47	2.8	43	2.6	33	1.8	-52.9	-
Other firearm.....	4	0.2	6	0.3	4	0.2	9	0.5	0	0.0	-	-
Firearm - unknown type.....	262	15.0	309	16.9	338	19.9	314	18.9	354	19.4	510.3	12.7
Nonfirearm.....	524	30.0	525	28.7	474	27.9	491	29.6	545	29.9	-14.4	11.0
Knife.....	260	14.9	261	14.3	238	14.0	256	15.4	263	14.4	-16.2	2.7
Blunt object ²	86	4.9	96	5.3	76	4.5	65	3.9	97	5.3	26.0	49.2
Personal weapon ³	98	5.6	87	4.8	92	5.4	97	5.8	90	4.9	-30.8	-7.2
All other.....	80	4.6	81	4.4	68	4.0	73	4.4	95	5.2	-18.1	30.1
Rope ⁴	16	0.9	21	1.1	19	1.1	17	1.0	26	1.4	-	-
Drugs.....	1	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.2	6	0.4	4	0.2	-	-
Other ⁵	63	3.6	58	3.2	46	2.7	50	3.0	65	3.6	-16.7	30.0

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

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¹ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

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

Table 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male ¹	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
		Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Unknown.....	40	28	12	12	16	7	3	2
Total known.....	1,821	1,512	309	382	786	519	127	7
Firearm.....	1,276	1,117	159	183	574	429	84	6
Handgun.....	855	757	98	115	376	301	61	2
All other firearms.....	421	360	61	68	198	128	23	4
Rifle.....	34	25	9	10	13	10	1	0
Shotgun.....	33	24	9	14	12	5	2	0
Other firearm.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Firearm - unknown type.....	354	311	43	44	173	113	20	4
Nonfirearm.....	545	395	150	199	212	90	43	1
Knife ²	263	198	65	78	120	39	26	0
Blunt object ³	97	74	23	42	33	16	5	1
Personal weapon ⁴	90	73	17	35	33	17	5	0
All other.....	95	50	45	44	26	18	7	0
Rope ⁵	26	11	15	12	6	6	2	0
Drugs.....	4	2	2	3	1	0	0	0
Other ⁶	65	37	28	29	19	12	5	0
		Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Firearm.....	70.1	73.9	51.5	47.9	73.0	82.7	66.1	-
Handgun.....	47.0	50.1	31.7	30.1	47.8	58.0	48.0	-
All other firearms.....	23.1	23.8	19.7	17.8	25.2	24.7	18.1	-
Rifle.....	1.9	1.7	2.9	2.6	1.7	1.9	0.8	-
Shotgun.....	1.8	1.6	2.9	3.7	1.5	1.0	1.6	-
Other firearm.....	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Firearm - unknown type.....	19.4	20.6	13.9	11.5	22.0	21.8	15.7	-
Nonfirearm.....	29.9	26.1	48.5	52.1	27.0	17.3	33.9	-
Knife ²	14.4	13.1	21.0	20.4	15.3	7.5	20.5	-
Blunt object ³	5.3	4.9	7.4	11.0	4.2	3.1	3.9	-
Personal weapon ⁴	4.9	4.8	5.5	9.2	4.2	3.3	3.9	-
All other.....	5.2	3.3	14.6	11.5	3.3	3.5	5.5	-
Rope ⁵	1.4	0.7	4.9	3.1	0.8	1.2	1.6	-
Drugs.....	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	-
Other ⁶	3.6	2.4	9.1	7.6	2.4	2.3	3.9	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
¹The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.
² Any instrument used to cut or stab.
³ Club, etc.
⁴ Hands, feet, etc.
⁵ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.
⁶ Poison, arson, pellet gun, drowning, etc.

Table 23
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Age of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	1,861	145	718	389	601	8
Unknown.....	40	8	10	6	13	3
Total known.....	1,821	137	708	383	588	5
Firearm.....	1,276	81	586	297	309	3
Handgun.....	855	51	393	211	199	1
All other firearms.....	421	30	193	86	110	2
Rifle.....	34	2	9	10	13	0
Shotgun.....	33	2	8	11	11	1
Other firearm.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
Firearm - unknown type.....	354	26	176	65	86	1
Nonfirearm.....	545	56	122	86	279	2
Knife.....	263	17	76	49	120	1
Blunt object ²	97	4	14	15	64	0
Personal weapon ³	90	17	13	11	49	0
All other.....	95	18	19	11	46	1
Rope ⁴	26	1	1	5	18	1
Drugs.....	4	1	1	0	2	0
Other ⁵	65	16	17	6	26	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	-
Firearm.....	70.1	59.1	82.8	77.5	52.6	-
Handgun.....	47.0	37.2	55.5	55.1	33.8	-
All other firearms.....	23.1	21.9	27.3	22.5	18.7	-
Rifle.....	1.9	1.5	1.3	2.6	2.2	-
Shotgun.....	1.8	1.5	1.1	2.9	1.9	-
Other firearm.....	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Firearm - unknown type.....	19.4	19.0	24.9	17.0	14.6	-
Nonfirearm.....	29.9	40.9	17.2	22.5	47.4	-
Knife ¹	14.4	12.4	10.7	12.8	20.4	-
Blunt object ²	5.3	2.9	2.0	3.9	10.9	-
Personal weapon ³	4.9	12.4	1.8	2.9	8.3	-
All other.....	5.2	13.1	2.7	2.9	7.8	-
Rope ⁴	1.4	0.7	0.1	1.3	3.1	-
Drugs.....	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.3	-
Other ⁵	3.6	11.7	2.4	1.6	4.4	-

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³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

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

Table 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2006-2015
 By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,483		2,258		2,143		1,970		1,809	
Unknown.....	568		825		751		550		531	
Total known.....	1,915	100.0	1,433	100.0	1,392	100.0	1,420	100.0	1,278	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary...	141	7.4	107	7.5	97	7.0	119	8.4	101	7.9
Rape.....	6	0.3	3	0.2	0	0.0	1	0.1	2	0.2
Robbery.....	132	6.9	94	6.6	92	6.6	110	7.7	91	7.1
Burglary.....	3	0.2	10	0.7	5	0.4	8	0.6	8	0.6
Argument.....	741	38.7	599	41.8	531	38.1	497	35.0	452	35.4
Domestic violence.....	141	7.4	119	8.3	113	8.1	130	9.2	157	12.3
All other argument.....	600	31.3	480	33.5	418	30.0	367	25.8	295	23.1
Gang-, drug-related.....	748	39.1	510	35.6	511	36.7	590	41.5	505	39.5
Gang-related.....	645	33.7	469	32.7	469	33.7	554	39.0	461	36.1
Drug-related.....	103	5.4	41	2.9	42	3.0	36	2.5	44	3.4
All other.....	285	14.9	217	15.1	253	18.2	214	15.1	220	17.2

Contributing circumstance (cont.)	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	2006-2015	2014-2015
Total including unknown.....	1,794		1,878		1,745		1,697		1,861		-41.3	6.4
Unknown.....	547		671		634		641		737		-42.6	-3.6
Total known.....	1,247	100.0	1,207	100.0	1,111	100.0	1,056	100.0	1,124	100.0	-	-
Rape, robbery, burglary...	82	6.6	76	6.3	90	8.1	84	8.0	81	7.2	-	-
Rape.....	2	0.2	2	0.2	3	0.3	4	0.4	0	0.0	-	-
Robbery.....	72	5.8	69	5.7	81	7.3	73	6.9	75	6.7	-43.2	2.7
Burglary.....	8	0.6	5	0.4	6	0.5	7	0.7	6	0.5	-	-
Argument.....	484	38.8	484	40.1	423	38.1	391	37.0	431	38.3	-41.8	10.2
Domestic violence.....	147	11.8	130	10.8	94	8.5	94	8.9	118	10.5	-16.3	25.5
All other argument.....	337	27.0	354	29.3	329	29.6	297	28.1	313	27.8	-47.8	5.4
Gang-, drug-related.....	439	35.2	429	35.5	402	36.2	341	32.3	350	31.1	-53.2	2.6
Gang-related.....	400	32.1	397	32.9	367	33.0	315	29.8	323	28.7	-49.9	2.5
Drug-related.....	39	3.1	32	2.7	35	3.2	26	2.5	27	2.4	-73.8	-
All other.....	242	19.4	218	18.1	196	17.6	240	22.7	262	23.3	-8.1	9.2

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

Table 25
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male ¹	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	1,861	1,540	321	394	802	526	130	9
Unknown.....	737	626	111	148	313	228	41	7
Total known.....	1,124	914	210	246	489	298	89	2
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	81	74	7	24	32	17	8	0
Rape.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery, burglary.....	81	74	7	24	32	17	8	0
Robbery.....	75	71	4	21	31	15	8	0
Burglary.....	6	3	3	3	1	2	0	0
Argument.....	431	299	132	127	170	98	36	0
Domestic violence.....	118	27	91	47	35	19	17	0
All other argument.....	313	272	41	80	135	79	19	0
Gang-, drug-related.....	350	341	9	27	187	124	12	0
Gang-related.....	323	314	9	16	178	120	9	0
Drug-related.....	27	27	0	11	9	4	3	0
All other.....	262	200	62	68	100	59	33	2
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	7.2	8.1	3.3	9.8	6.5	5.7	9.0	-
Rape.....	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Robbery, burglary.....	7.2	8.1	3.3	9.8	6.5	5.7	9.0	-
Robbery.....	6.7	7.8	1.9	8.5	6.3	5.0	9.0	-
Burglary.....	0.5	0.3	1.4	1.2	0.2	0.7	0.0	-
Argument.....	38.3	32.7	62.9	51.6	34.8	32.9	40.4	-
Domestic violence.....	10.5	3.0	43.3	19.1	7.2	6.4	19.1	-
All other argument.....	27.8	29.8	19.5	32.5	27.6	26.5	21.3	-
Gang-, drug-related.....	31.1	37.3	4.3	11.0	38.2	41.6	13.5	-
Gang-related.....	28.7	34.4	4.3	6.5	36.4	40.3	10.1	-
Drug-related.....	2.4	3.0	0.0	4.5	1.8	1.3	3.4	-
All other.....	23.3	21.9	29.5	27.6	20.4	19.8	37.1	-

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¹The 2015 "male" category includes one homicide victim whose gender could not be determined.

Table 26
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Total	Number								70 and over	Unknown
		Under 5	5-17	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 and over		
Total including unknown.....	1,861	43	102	718	389	257	192	94	58	8	
Unknown.....	737	4	29	314	152	99	70	39	23	7	
Total known.....	1,124	39	73	404	237	158	122	55	35	1	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	81	0	2	25	14	17	13	5	5	0	
Rape.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Robbery.....	75	0	2	24	14	16	12	4	3	0	
Burglary.....	6	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	
Argument.....	431	2	10	122	107	74	72	27	17	0	
Domestic violence.....	118	2	1	21	32	21	22	10	9	0	
All other argument.....	313	0	9	101	75	53	50	17	8	0	
Gang-, drug-related.....	350	0	36	186	75	35	12	4	2	0	
Gang-related.....	323	0	36	173	70	33	9	2	0	0	
Drug-related.....	27	0	0	13	5	2	3	2	2	0	
Child abuse.....	39	30	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
All other.....	223	7	16	71	41	32	25	19	11	1	
Percent based on total known											
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Rape, robbery, burglary.....	7.2	-	2.7	6.2	5.9	10.8	10.7	9.1	-	-	
Rape.....	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	
Robbery.....	6.7	-	2.7	5.9	5.9	10.1	9.8	7.3	-	-	
Burglary.....	0.5	-	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.8	1.8	-	-	
Argument.....	38.3	-	13.7	30.2	45.1	46.8	59.0	49.1	-	-	
Domestic violence.....	10.5	-	1.4	5.2	13.5	13.3	18.0	18.2	-	-	
All other argument.....	27.8	-	12.3	25.0	31.6	33.5	41.0	30.9	-	-	
Gang-, drug-related.....	31.1	-	49.3	46.0	31.6	22.2	9.8	7.3	-	-	
Gang-related.....	28.7	-	49.3	42.8	29.5	20.9	7.4	3.6	-	-	
Drug-related.....	2.4	-	0.0	3.2	2.1	1.3	2.5	3.6	-	-	
Child abuse.....	3.5	-	12.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	
All other.....	19.8	-	21.9	17.6	17.3	20.3	20.5	34.5	-	-	

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

Table 27
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2015
 Contributing Circumstance by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Number							All other	Unknown
		Rape	Robbery, burglary	Argument ¹	Gang, drug-related	Child abuse				
Total including unknown.....	1,861	0	81	431	350	39	223	737		
Unknown.....	837	0	25	38	214	2	81	477		
Total known.....	1,024	0	56	393	136	37	142	260		
Friend, acquaintance ²	485	0	20	204	96	8	68	89		
Spouse ³	72	0	0	56	0	0	5	11		
Parent, child ⁴	81	0	1	21	0	25	7	27		
All other relatives.....	65	0	0	28	0	4	15	18		
Stranger.....	321	0	35	84	40	0	47	115		
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	47.4	-	35.7	51.9	70.6	-	47.9	34.2		
Spouse ³	7.0	-	0.0	14.2	0.0	-	3.5	4.2		
Parent, child ⁴	7.9	-	1.8	5.3	0.0	-	4.9	10.4		
All other relatives.....	6.3	-	0.0	7.1	0.0	-	10.6	6.9		
Stranger.....	31.3	-	62.5	21.4	29.4	-	33.1	44.2		

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

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

¹ Includes domestic violence.

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

³ Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

⁴ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 28
HOMICIDE CRIMES CLEARED, 2006-2015
 Number Reported, Number Cleared, and Clearance Rate

Year(s)	Number of homicides reported	Number of homicides cleared	Clearance rate ¹
2015.....	1,861	1,145	61.5
2014.....	1,697	1,091	64.3
2013.....	1,745	1,146	65.7
2012.....	1,878	1,118	59.5
2011.....	1,794	1,110	61.9
2010.....	1,809	1,154	63.8
2009.....	1,970	1,248	63.4
2008.....	2,143	1,227	57.3
2007.....	2,258	1,208	53.5
2006.....	2,483	1,292	52.0

¹ A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes (homicides) reported that have been cleared. It is calculated by dividing the number of homicides cleared by the number of homicides reported. The result is multiplied by 100.

Table 29
**FELONY ARRESTS FOR
 SELECTED VIOLENT OFFENSES, 2006-2015**

Number, Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homicide	Rape ¹	Robbery	Assault
Number					
2015.....	108,157	1,439	2,467	15,903	88,348
2014.....	106,405	1,427	2,444	14,799	87,735
2013.....	101,658	1,423	1,601	15,934	82,700
2012.....	105,657	1,637	1,682	16,867	85,471
2011.....	108,268	1,572	1,758	17,464	87,474
2010.....	114,646	1,638	1,957	19,021	92,030
2009.....	122,078	1,804	2,050	21,610	96,614
2008.....	126,252	1,850	2,103	22,488	99,811
2007.....	127,633	2,017	2,164	21,614	101,838
2006.....	124,624	1,967	2,122	20,376	100,159
Percent change in number					
2014 to 2015.....	1.6	0.8	0.9	7.5	0.7
2013 to 2014.....	4.7	0.3	-	-7.1	6.1
2012 to 2013.....	-3.8	-13.1	-4.8	-5.5	-3.2
2011 to 2012.....	-2.4	4.1	-4.3	-3.4	-2.3
2010 to 2011.....	-5.6	-4.0	-10.2	-8.2	-5.0
2009 to 2010.....	-6.1	-9.2	-4.5	-12.0	-4.7
2008 to 2009.....	-3.3	-2.5	-2.5	-3.9	-3.2
2007 to 2008.....	-1.1	-8.3	-2.8	4.0	-2.0
2006 to 2007.....	2.4	2.5	2.0	6.1	1.7
2006 to 2015.....	-13.2	-26.8	-	-22.0	-11.8
Rate per 100,000 population at risk ²					
2015.....	355.5	4.7	8.1	52.3	290.4
2014.....	352.4	4.7	8.1	49.0	290.6
2013.....	339.7	4.8	5.4	53.2	276.4
2012.....	355.3	5.5	5.7	56.7	287.4
2011.....	366.3	5.3	5.9	59.1	296.0
2010.....	389.5	5.6	6.6	64.6	312.7
2009.....	419.6	6.2	7.0	74.3	332.1
2008.....	437.3	6.4	7.3	77.9	345.7
2007.....	446.3	7.1	7.6	75.6	356.1
2006.....	440.1	6.9	7.5	72.0	353.7
Percent change in rate					
2014 to 2015.....	0.9	0.0	0.0	6.7	-0.1
2013 to 2014.....	3.7	-2.1	-	-7.9	5.1
2012 to 2013.....	-4.4	-12.7	-5.3	-6.2	-3.8
2011 to 2012.....	-3.0	3.8	-3.4	-4.1	-2.9
2010 to 2011.....	-6.0	-5.4	-10.6	-8.5	-5.3
2009 to 2010.....	-7.2	-9.7	-5.7	-13.1	-5.8
2008 to 2009.....	-4.0	-3.1	-4.1	-4.6	-3.9
2007 to 2008.....	-2.0	-9.9	-3.9	3.0	-2.9
2006 to 2007.....	1.4	2.9	1.3	5.0	0.7
2006 to 2015.....	-19.2	-31.9	-	-27.4	-17.9

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

Dash indicates that a percent change was not calculated due to data definition change.

¹ In 2014, the crime of "forcible rape" was changed to "rape". The definition was expanded to include both male and female victims and reflects the various forms of sexual penetration understood to be rape according to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting standards. For additional information, see Appendix 1, Data Characteristics and Known Limitations.

² Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2011 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data. Arrest rates are based on the total population at risk (10-69 years of age).

Table 30
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2006-2015
 By Gender of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015.....	1,439	100.0	1,284	89.2	155	10.8
2014.....	1,427	100.0	1,260	88.3	167	11.7
2013.....	1,423	100.0	1,270	89.2	153	10.8
2012.....	1,637	100.0	1,413	86.3	224	13.7
2011.....	1,572	100.0	1,385	88.1	187	11.9
2010.....	1,638	100.0	1,438	87.8	200	12.2
2009.....	1,804	100.0	1,620	89.8	184	10.2
2008.....	1,850	100.0	1,652	89.3	198	10.7
2007.....	2,017	100.0	1,802	89.3	215	10.7
2006.....	1,967	100.0	1,732	88.1	235	11.9

Table 31
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2006-2015
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015.....	1,439	100.0	300	20.8	684	47.5	375	26.1	80	5.6
2014.....	1,427	100.0	287	20.1	657	46.0	388	27.2	95	6.7
2013.....	1,423	100.0	284	20.0	702	49.3	355	24.9	82	5.8
2012.....	1,637	100.0	336	20.5	796	48.6	425	26.0	80	4.9
2011.....	1,572	100.0	345	21.9	686	43.6	421	26.8	120	7.6
2010.....	1,638	100.0	293	17.9	797	48.7	414	25.3	134	8.2
2009.....	1,804	100.0	343	19.0	907	50.3	430	23.8	124	6.9
2008.....	1,850	100.0	346	18.7	944	51.0	436	23.6	124	6.7
2007.....	2,017	100.0	373	18.5	1,022	50.7	495	24.5	127	6.3
2006.....	1,967	100.0	351	17.8	910	46.3	539	27.4	167	8.5

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

Table 32
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2006-2015
 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
2015.....	1,439	100.0	88	6.1	768	53.4	313	21.8	270	18.8
2014.....	1,427	100.0	95	6.7	807	56.6	278	19.5	247	17.3
2013.....	1,423	100.0	105	7.4	759	53.3	283	19.9	276	19.4
2012.....	1,637	100.0	96	5.9	930	56.8	314	19.2	297	18.1
2011.....	1,572	100.0	134	8.5	855	54.4	284	18.1	299	19.0
2010.....	1,638	100.0	181	11.1	918	56.0	254	15.5	285	17.4
2009.....	1,804	100.0	182	10.1	1,032	57.2	299	16.6	291	16.1
2008.....	1,850	100.0	221	11.9	1,098	59.4	273	14.8	258	13.9
2007.....	2,017	100.0	235	11.7	1,193	59.1	293	14.5	296	14.7
2006.....	1,967	100.0	241	12.3	1,154	58.7	267	13.6	305	15.5

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

Table 33
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2015
 Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender and Age of Arrestee

Gender and age of arrestee	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,439	100.0	300	100.0	684	100.0	375	100.0	80	100.0
Gender										
Male.....	1,284	89.2	240	80.0	629	92.0	347	92.5	68	85.0
Female.....	155	10.8	60	20.0	55	8.0	28	7.5	12	15.0
Age										
Under 18.....	88	6.1	9	3.0	51	7.5	25	6.7	3	3.8
18-29.....	768	53.4	106	35.3	416	60.8	210	56.0	36	45.0
30-39.....	313	21.8	82	27.3	141	20.6	71	18.9	19	23.8
40 and over.....	270	18.8	103	34.3	76	11.1	69	18.4	22	27.5

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

Table 34
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2015
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender and Age of Arrestee

Gender and age of arrestee	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	1,439	100.0	300	100.0	684	100.0	375	100.0	80	100.0
Under 18.....	88	6.1	9	3.0	51	7.5	25	6.7	3	3.8
18-19.....	169	11.7	12	4.0	102	14.9	47	12.5	8	10.0
20-24.....	352	24.5	45	15.0	201	29.4	89	23.7	17	21.3
25-29.....	247	17.2	49	16.3	113	16.5	74	19.7	11	13.8
30-34.....	185	12.9	47	15.7	85	12.4	43	11.5	10	12.5
35-39.....	128	8.9	35	11.7	56	8.2	28	7.5	9	11.3
40-44.....	75	5.2	27	9.0	29	4.2	12	3.2	7	8.8
45-49.....	58	4.0	19	6.3	14	2.0	20	5.3	5	6.3
50-54.....	62	4.3	25	8.3	17	2.5	18	4.8	2	2.5
55 and over.....	75	5.2	32	10.7	16	2.3	19	5.1	8	10.0
Male.....	1,284	100.0	240	100.0	629	100.0	347	100.0	68	100.0
Under 18.....	85	6.6	8	3.3	49	7.8	25	7.2	3	4.4
18-19.....	152	11.8	9	3.8	92	14.6	44	12.7	7	10.3
20-24.....	319	24.8	35	14.6	186	29.6	83	23.9	15	22.1
25-29.....	217	16.9	38	15.8	102	16.2	66	19.0	11	16.2
30-34.....	162	12.6	40	16.7	75	11.9	39	11.2	8	11.8
35-39.....	116	9.0	28	11.7	54	8.6	25	7.2	9	13.2
40-44.....	66	5.1	25	10.4	26	4.1	12	3.5	3	4.4
45-49.....	50	3.9	17	7.1	13	2.1	18	5.2	2	2.9
50-54.....	51	4.0	17	7.1	16	2.5	16	4.6	2	2.9
55 and over.....	66	5.1	23	9.6	16	2.5	19	5.5	8	11.8
Female.....	155	100.0	60	100.0	55	100.0	28	100.0	12	100.0
Under 18.....	3	1.9	1	1.7	2	3.6	0	-	0	-
18-19.....	17	11.0	3	5.0	10	18.2	3	-	1	-
20-24.....	33	21.3	10	16.7	15	27.3	6	-	2	-
25-29.....	30	19.4	11	18.3	11	20.0	8	-	0	-
30-34.....	23	14.8	7	11.7	10	18.2	4	-	2	-
35-39.....	12	7.7	7	11.7	2	3.6	3	-	0	-
40-44.....	9	5.8	2	3.3	3	5.5	0	-	4	-
45-49.....	8	5.2	2	3.3	1	1.8	2	-	3	-
50-54.....	11	7.1	8	13.3	1	1.8	2	-	0	-
55 and over.....	9	5.8	9	15.0	0	0.0	0	-	0	-

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

Table 35
PERSONS SENTENCED TO DEATH
1978-2015

Year(s)	Initial sentences
2015.....	14
2014.....	13
2013.....	24
2012.....	13
2011.....	10
2010.....	34
2009.....	29
2008.....	21
2007.....	17
2006.....	17
2005.....	22
2004.....	12
2003.....	22
2002.....	17
2001.....	25
2000.....	33
1999.....	42
1998.....	32
1997.....	40
1996.....	40
1995.....	38
1994.....	21
1993.....	34
1992.....	40
1991.....	26
1990.....	33
1989.....	33
1988.....	34
1987.....	25
1986.....	21
1985.....	16
1984.....	27
1983.....	35
1982.....	39
1981.....	39
1980.....	23
1979.....	20
1978.....	7

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

Table 36
PERSONS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 2015
 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.....	14	13	1	1	8	3	2	1	5	3	1	2	2
Fresno.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kern.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles.....	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Orange.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Riverside.....	8	7	1	0	6	1	1	0	4	2	0	2	0

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

Table 37
HOMICIDE CRIMES AND PEACE OFFICERS FELONIOUSLY KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2006-2015
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Respective Population

Year(s)	California population	Homicides		Sworn law enforcement personnel ²	Peace officers feloniously killed in the line of duty	
		Number ¹	Rate		Number	Rate
2015.....	39,071,323	1,861	4.8	77,351	2	2.6
2014.....	38,499,378	1,697	4.4	77,139	5	6.5
2013.....	38,204,597	1,745	4.6	76,925	5	6.5
2012.....	37,826,160	1,878	5.0	77,060	2	2.6
2011.....	37,578,616	1,794	4.8	77,582	2	2.6
2010.....	37,318,481	1,809	4.8	79,078	4	5.1
2009.....	37,077,204	1,970	5.3	80,429	4	5.0
2008.....	36,856,222	2,143	5.8	81,402	3	3.7
2007.....	36,552,529	2,258	6.2	78,724	4	5.1
2006.....	36,246,822	2,483	6.9	75,625	5	6.6

Note: Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2006-2010 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

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

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

Table 38
PEACE OFFICERS FELONIOUSLY KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2015
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Deceased by Location and Weapon

Location and Weapon	Total	Gender		Race/Ethnic Group			
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other
Total							
Total.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0
Location							
Residence.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Street, sidewalk.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0
Commercial establishment ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All other ²	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Type of Weapon							
Firearm.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0
Handgun.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Rifle.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Shotgun.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other firearm.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Firearm - unspecified.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonfirearm.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Knife ³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blunt Object ⁴	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Personal weapon ⁵	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Other ⁶	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ Hotel/Motel, Liquor store, Bar, Other business.

² Parking lot, Vehicle, Field/Park, or Other.

³ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

⁴ Club, etc.

⁵ Hands, feet, etc.

⁶ Rope, drugs, poison, arson, pellet gun, drowning, vehicle, etc.

Table 39
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2015**
By Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Gender, race/ethnic group, and age of deceased	Total		Peace officer justifiable		Private citizen justifiable	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total						
Total.....	163	100.0	130	100.0	33	100.0
Gender						
Male.....	154	94.5	123	94.6	31	93.9
Female.....	9	5.5	7	5.4	2	6.1
Race/ethnic group						
White.....	51	31.3	41	31.5	10	30.3
Hispanic.....	62	38.0	55	42.3	7	21.2
Black.....	39	23.9	23	17.7	16	48.5
Other.....	11	6.7	11	8.5	0	0.0
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Age						
Under 18.....	2	1.2	0	0.0	2	6.1
18-29.....	56	34.4	44	33.8	12	36.4
18-19.....	5	3.1	4	3.1	1	3.0
20-24.....	21	12.9	16	12.3	5	15.2
25-29.....	30	18.4	24	18.5	6	18.2
30-39.....	51	31.3	44	33.8	7	21.2
30-34.....	28	17.2	23	17.7	5	15.2
35-39.....	23	14.1	21	16.2	2	6.1
40 and over.....	54	33.1	42	32.3	12	36.4
40-44.....	17	10.4	14	10.8	3	9.1
45-49.....	13	8.0	12	9.2	1	3.0
50-54.....	14	8.6	8	6.2	6	18.2
55 and over.....	10	6.1	8	6.2	2	6.1
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

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

Table 40
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2015**
By Location of Justifiable Homicide

Location of justifiable homicide	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	163	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	130	100.0
Felon's residence.....	15	11.5
Other residence.....	18	13.8
Street, sidewalk.....	63	48.5
Commercial establishment.....	15	11.5
Hotel, motel.....	4	3.1
Liquor store.....	1	0.8
Bar.....	1	0.8
Other business.....	9	6.9
All other.....	19	14.6
Parking lot.....	6	4.6
Vehicle.....	3	2.3
Field, park.....	6	4.6
Other.....	4	3.1
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	33	100.0
Citizen's, shared residence.....	11	33.3
Citizen's residence.....	11	33.3
Shared residence.....	0	0.0
Other residence.....	7	21.2
Felon's residence.....	4	12.1
Other residence.....	3	9.1
Street, sidewalk.....	9	27.3
Commercial establishment.....	3	9.1
Hotel, motel.....	0	0.0
Liquor store.....	0	0.0
Bar.....	0	0.0
Other business.....	3	9.1
All other.....	3	9.1
Parking lot.....	1	3.0
Vehicle.....	0	0.0
Field, park.....	1	3.0
Other.....	1	3.0

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

Table 41
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2015**
By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	163	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	130	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	88	67.7
Felon killed during commission of crime.....	23	17.7
Felon resisted arrest.....	6	4.6
All other.....	13	10.0
Felon attacked citizen.....	1	0.8
Felon attempted flight.....	1	0.8
Details not provided.....	11	8.5
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	33	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	0	0.0
Felon attacked citizen.....	12	36.4
Felon attempted flight.....	0	0.0
Felon killed during commission of crime.....	19	57.6
Details not provided.....	2	6.1

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

Table 42
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2015**
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	130	100.0	33	100.0
Firearm.....	151	92.6	130	100.0	21	63.6
Handgun.....	98	60.1	86	66.2	12	36.4
Rifle.....	7	4.3	6	4.6	1	3.0
Shotgun.....	5	3.1	1	0.8	4	12.1
Other firearm.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Firearm - unspecified.....	41	25.2	37	28.5	4	12.1
Nonfirearm.....	12	7.4	0	0.0	12	36.4
Knife ¹	8	4.9	0	0.0	8	24.2
Blunt Object ²	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Personal weapon ³	3	1.8	0	0.0	3	9.1
Other ⁴	1	0.6	0	0.0	1	3.0

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

¹ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Poison, arson, pellet gun, drowning, etc.

Table 43
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1987–2015
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year(s)	Number	Rate ¹
2015.....	1,861	4.8
2014.....	1,697	4.4
2013.....	1,745	4.6
2012.....	1,878	5.0
2011.....	1,794	4.8
2010.....	1,809	4.8
2009.....	1,970	5.3
2008.....	2,143	5.8
2007.....	2,258	6.2
2006.....	2,483	6.9
2005.....	2,503	7.0
2004.....	2,394	6.7
2003.....	2,402	6.8
2002.....	2,392	6.8
2001.....	2,201	6.4
2000.....	2,074	6.1
1999.....	2,006	5.9
1998.....	2,170	6.5
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

¹ Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Rates for 2000-2010 have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

Table 44
POPULATION ESTIMATES, 1960-2015

Year(s)	Total population	Population at risk		
		Total ¹	Adult ²	Juvenile ³
2015.....	39,071,323	30,426,258	26,369,040	4,057,218
2014.....	38,499,378	30,190,364	26,129,967	4,060,397
2013.....	38,204,597	29,923,597	25,825,829	4,097,768
2012.....	37,826,160	29,735,335	25,593,235	4,142,100
2011.....	37,578,616	29,556,094	25,352,813	4,203,281
2010.....	37,318,481	29,432,329	25,166,828	4,265,501
2009.....	37,077,204	29,092,061	24,846,056	4,246,005
2008.....	36,856,222	28,869,786	24,483,271	4,386,515
2007.....	36,552,529	28,597,658	24,193,795	4,403,863
2006.....	36,246,822	28,317,290	23,915,923	4,401,367
2005.....	35,985,582	28,066,451	23,678,907	4,387,544
2004.....	35,752,765	27,835,492	23,461,739	4,373,753
2003.....	35,388,928	27,496,472	23,162,159	4,334,313
2002.....	34,938,290	27,091,683	22,826,738	4,264,945
2001.....	34,512,742	26,707,152	22,524,040	4,183,112
2000.....	34,000,835	26,252,783	22,175,874	4,076,909
1999.....	34,036,000	25,711,892	21,855,190	3,856,702
1998.....	33,494,000	25,263,064	21,498,170	3,764,894
1997.....	32,957,000	25,760,375	21,934,916	3,825,459
1996.....	32,383,000	25,554,242	21,825,735	3,728,507
1995.....	32,063,000	25,122,782	21,505,839	3,616,943
1994.....	32,140,000	24,703,379	21,193,571	3,509,808
1993.....	31,742,000	24,334,534	20,923,632	3,410,902
1992.....	31,300,000	23,975,578	20,661,120	3,314,458
1991.....	30,646,000	23,585,168	20,356,984	3,228,184
1990.....	29,557,836	23,178,961	20,027,633	3,151,328
1989.....	28,771,207	22,524,392	19,451,763	3,072,629
1988.....	28,060,746	21,969,953	18,885,349	3,084,604
1987.....	27,388,477	21,483,563	18,378,758	3,104,805
1986.....	26,741,621	21,009,362	17,903,122	3,106,240
1985.....	26,112,632	20,563,314	17,468,941	3,094,373
1984.....	25,587,254	20,167,923	17,083,479	3,084,444
1983.....	25,075,581	19,860,746	16,763,095	3,097,651
1982.....	24,546,566	19,510,945	16,415,571	3,095,374
1981.....	24,038,711	19,172,812	16,082,355	3,090,457
1980.....	23,668,145	18,824,197	15,778,999	3,045,198
1979.....	23,255,000	18,371,691	15,323,376	3,048,315
1978.....	22,839,000	18,012,901	14,916,032	3,096,869
1977.....	22,350,000	17,619,453	14,470,680	3,148,773
1976.....	21,935,000	17,269,884	14,080,872	3,189,012
1975.....	21,537,000	16,914,556	13,694,793	3,219,763
1974.....	21,173,000	16,563,671	13,339,906	3,223,765
1973.....	20,868,000	16,237,031	13,031,007	3,206,024
1972.....	20,585,000	15,926,249	12,758,809	3,167,440
1971.....	20,346,000	15,657,238	12,542,795	3,114,443
1970.....	20,039,000	15,378,312	12,339,580	3,038,732
1969.....	19,856,000	14,697,200	11,657,600	3,039,600
1968.....	19,554,000	14,379,400	11,403,700	2,975,700
1967.....	19,478,000	14,065,700	11,159,800	2,905,900
1966.....	19,132,000	13,696,700	10,872,500	2,824,200
1965.....	18,756,000	13,377,400	10,620,600	2,756,800
1964.....	18,234,000	12,981,700	10,311,100	2,670,600
1963.....	17,675,000	12,564,600	10,047,700	2,516,900
1962.....	17,044,000	12,099,200	9,740,000	2,359,200
1961.....	16,445,000	11,697,900	9,469,100	2,228,800
1960.....	15,860,000	11,314,900	9,203,300	2,111,600

Source: Population estimates were provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Estimates for 2000-2011 were revised based on the 2010 census.

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

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

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

Appendix 1

Data Characteristics and Known Limitations

HOMICIDE CRIMES

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

The number of reported homicide crimes represents known victims.

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

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

Detailed data regarding the criminal homicide category are only as comprehensive as the information provided by contributing agencies.

Offender data (race/ethnicity, age, and gender) are based on law enforcement identification of the offender as a suspect.

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

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

Circumstances – Statements of circumstances are based on information known to law enforcement. The reporting agency provides a brief statement as to the circumstances or precipitating events leading to the victim's death. If the killing occurred in conjunction with the commission of another felony such as a robbery or rape, the agency identifies the specific offense involved.

Note: Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Redefines Rape

In 2013, the FBI's UCR revised the definition of "forcible rape" (the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will) to "rape" and defined as "penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim."

The California Department of Justice implemented this definition change in January 2014. During 2014, agencies were encouraged to report using the new definition, but were allowed to report under the historical definition while transitioning their reporting systems.

All rape data submitted in 2014 — whether collected under the revised definition or the historical definition — are presented in this publication. While rates are still provided, calculating a percent change from prior years will be suspended until the reporting of rape under the new definition is complete and consistent.

ARRESTS

Monthly Arrest and Citation Register (MACR)

Arrest data from the MACR reporting system are designed to collect the number of persons arrested.

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

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

POPULATION

Crime and arrest rates are calculated using annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance. Population estimates for 2000–2011 were revised based on the 2010 census. Crime and arrest rates for the period have been recalculated using revised intercensal population data and may not match previously published data.

Beginning in 2004, the population category of “other” for race/ethnic group includes the Department of Finance’s race/ethnic group of “multi-racial.”

Appendix 2

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 total population considered to be at-risk for arrest (10-69 years of age). The “at-risk” population can be further distinguished by adults at-risk (aged 18-69 years) and juveniles at-risk (aged 10-17 years). Regardless of the population used, all rates are calculated in the same manner. An arrest rate is calculated by dividing the number of reported arrests by the respective population. The result is multiplied by 100,000. For example, in 2015 there were 1,439 homicide arrests. The total population was 39,071,323 and the total population at-risk was 30,426,258. This equals a homicide arrest rate of 3.7 per 100,000 population and 4.7 per 100,000 population at-risk.

$$\frac{1,439}{39,071,323} = 0.00003683 \times 100,000 = 3.7 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ total population}$$

$$\frac{1,439}{30,426,258} = 0.00004729 \times 100,000 = 4.7 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ total population at-risk}$$

CLEARANCE RATE – A clearance rate is the percentage of crimes reported that have been cleared. A clearance rate is calculated by dividing the number of crimes cleared by the number of crimes reported. The result is multiplied by 100. For example, in 2015 there were 1,145 homicides cleared and 1,861 homicides reported. This equals a homicide clearance rate of 61.5 percent.

$$\frac{1,145}{1,861} = 0.615260613 \times 100 = 61.5 \text{ percent}$$

CRIME RATE – A crime rate describes the number of crimes reported to law enforcement agencies for every 100,000 persons within a 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 2015 there were 1,861 homicides in California and the population was 39,071,323. This equals a homicide crime rate of 4.8 per 100,000 general population.

$$\frac{1,861}{39,071,323} = 0.0000476308 \times 100,000 = 4.8 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ population}$$

PERCENT CHANGE – A percent change describes a change in number or rate from one year to another. A percent change is calculated by subtracting base-year data from current-year data. The result is divided by base-year data and multiplied by 100. For example, in 2015 the homicide crime rate was 4.8. In 2006 the homicide crime rate was 6.9. The percent change in rate from 2006 to 2015 is a 30.4 percent decrease.

$$\frac{4.8 - 6.9}{6.9} = -0.30434783 \times 100 = -30.4 \text{ percent}$$

Note: 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).

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