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Homicide in California, 2004 contains information about the crime of homicide and its victims, demographic data on 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. Additionally, this year's edition of *Homicide in California* includes an expanded analysis of domestic violence-related homicide (see pages 21 through 23).

Information displayed in this publication comes from several databases maintained by the California Department of Justice (DOJ). The primary source of information is the Homicide File, which captures willful and justifiable homicide crime data. Other databases capture information about persons arrested for homicide, death penalty sentences, and peace officers killed in the line of duty. The reader should consider that the type of data collected, and the methods used to collect these data, differ for each data set. *Unless otherwise indicated, all calculations are based on the number of known incidents.*

To provide the most valid data possible, the disposition section of this report has been removed. In 2001, Criminal Justice Statistics Center (CJSC) staff determined that a number of homicide arrests submitted to the DOJ's Automated Criminal History System (from which adult felony arrest disposition data are extracted) from 1997 to 2001 should have been submitted as arrests for attempted homicide. In addition, some correctly submitted attempted homicide arrests were programmatically treated as homicide arrests. As a result, more homicide arrests were counted during these years than occurred. This caused the percentage of homicide convictions to be too low and the percentage of assault convictions to be too high. (Both percentages were based on the number of adult felony arrests for homicide for which dispositions were received.) Based on CJSC staff findings, the reader is advised against using previously published disposition data from 1997 to 1999. It should be noted that the DOJ has addressed this issue and that the exclusion of disposition data does not affect crime, arrest, death penalty, nor other data included in this or past reports. When homicide disposition data are once again determined to be accurate, they will be included in this publication.

Beginning in 2004, the population estimates used to calculate rates are based on revisions of the 2000 census. For 2003 and earlier, these population estimates were based on revisions of the 1990 census. Readers are advised to exercise care in interpreting changes in percent and rates between decennial census samples, as these census samples are statistically independent and measure two different populations at two different points in time. In addition, the "Other" population category now includes the new race/ethnic group of "Multi-racial." The extent to which this new race/ethnic group affects other population estimates is not known.

CJSC publications available in either printed or electronic format (via the Attorney General's website) are listed on the inside of the back cover. Customized statistical reports or additional statistical information may be requested by contacting the CJSC at the numbers or addresses provided there.

HIGHLIGHTS

HOMICIDE CRIMES (see pages 2-23)

- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the homicide crime rate decreased 40.9 percent (11.0 to 6.5). From 2003 to 2004, homicide crimes decreased 3.0 percent in rate per 100,000 population (6.7 to 6.5). (Source: Table 1.)
- ✓ Since 1995, homicide rates have declined considerably for both males and females (36.8 and 42.1 percent, respectively). (Source: Table 2.)
- ✓ Since 1995, the homicide rate for victims aged 18-29 has consistently been the highest of any age group. (Source: Table 4.)
- ✓ A greater percentage of white victims were female than were Hispanic or black victims. White victims tended to be older, Hispanic and black victims, younger. (Sources: Tables 8 and 9.)
- ✓ In 2004, where the victim-offender relationship was known, nearly one-half (48.5 percent) of the victims were killed by friends or acquaintances. (Source: Table 12.)
- ✓ Of the 35 counties for which 2004 homicide rates were calculated, San Francisco County experienced the highest rate per 100,000 population (11.1); San Luis Obispo County experienced the lowest (0.8). (Source: Table 14.)
- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the average number of homicides committed during the summer exceeded the average number committed during any other season. (Source: Table 15.)
- ✓ In 2004, for all race/ethnic groups, the highest average daily number of homicides occurred on weekends. (Source: Table 16.)
- ✓ In 2004, where the contributing circumstance was known, 42.7 percent of homicides were the result of an argument. (Source: Table 24.)

HOMICIDE ARRESTS (see pages 26-29)

- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the homicide arrest rate decreased 37.5 percent (11.2 to 7.0). From 2003 to 2004, homicide arrests increased 6.1 percent in rate per 100,000 population at risk (6.6 to 7.0). (Source: Table 29.)
- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the overwhelming majority of homicide arrestees and victims were male. (Sources: Tables 5 and 30.)
- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the largest percentage of homicide arrestees and victims were Hispanic. (Sources: Tables 6 and 31.)
- ✓ From 1995 to 2004, the largest percentage of homicide arrestees and victims were aged 18-29. (Sources: Tables 7 and 32.)

DEATH PENALTY SENTENCES (see pages 32-33)

- ✓ By the end of 2004, there were 642 persons under sentence of death in California. Of these, 12 were sentenced in 2004. (Source: Table 35.)

PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY (see pages 36-37)

- ✓ Since 1995, there have been 55 peace officers feloniously killed in the line of duty. Four were killed in 2004. (Source: Table N-2.)
- ✓ Between 1995 and 2004, the homicide rate for peace officers killed in the line of duty varied from 2.9 to 16.1 per 100,000 sworn law enforcement personnel. (Source: Table 37.)

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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 52 years.

From 2003 to 2004:

- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 3.0 percent (6.7 to 6.5).
- The number of homicides decreased 0.3 percent (from 2,402 to 2,394).

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

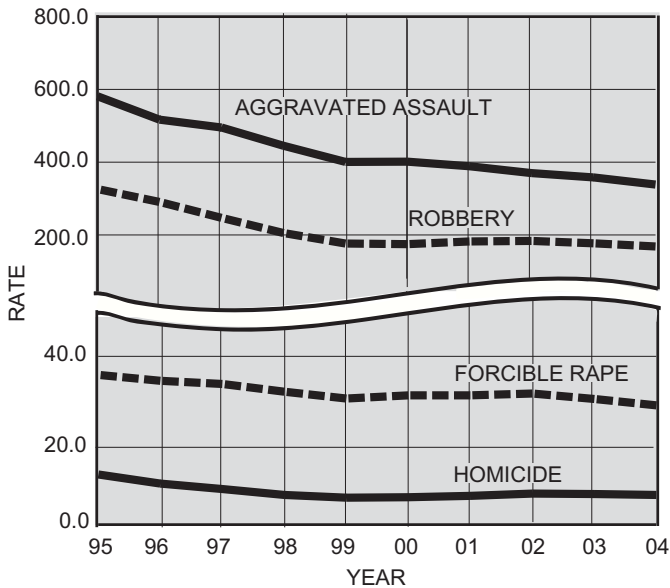
- The homicide rate per 100,000 population decreased 40.9 percent (11.0 to 6.5).
- The number of homicides decreased 32.2 percent (from 3,530 to 2,394).

 *From 2003 to 2004, the number of homicides decreased slightly (0.3 percent).*

Table N-1
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1952-2004
Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

Year(s)	Number	Rate
2004	2,394	6.5
2003	2,402	6.7
2002	2,392	6.8
2001	2,201	6.3
2000	2,074	6.0
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
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

Figure 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 1995-2004
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 2003 to 2004:

- Homicide decreased 3.0 percent (6.7 to 6.5).
- Forcible rape decreased 5.1 percent (27.6 to 26.2).
- Robbery decreased 4.9 percent (177.0 to 168.3).
- Aggravated assault decreased 5.5 percent (358.1 to 338.5).

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- Homicide decreased 40.9 percent (11.0 to 6.5).
- Forcible rape decreased 20.4 percent (32.9 to 26.2).
- Robbery decreased 48.4 percent (326.2 to 168.3).
- Aggravated assault decreased 41.8 percent (581.2 to 338.5).



On average, the homicide crime rate per 100,000 population accounted for approximately 1 percent of the total violent crime rate from 1995 to 2004 (see Table 1).

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

In 2004,

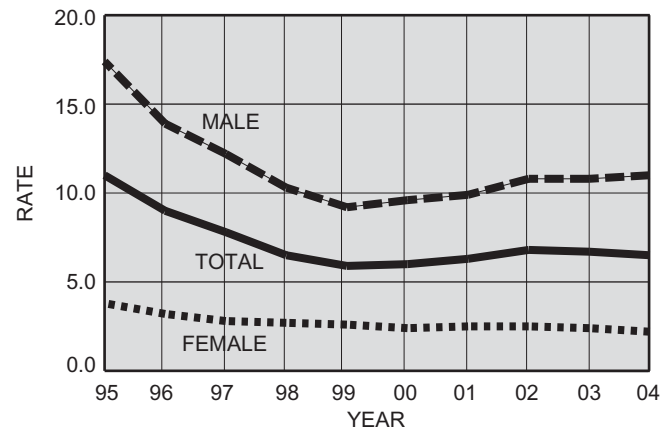
- The total homicide rate was 6.5 per 100,000 population.
- The male homicide rate was 5.0 times that of the female homicide rate (11.0 vs. 2.2).
- The black homicide rate was over 12 times that of whites and over 3 times that of Hispanics (31.6 vs. 2.6 and 8.1, respectively).

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- The male homicide rate decreased 36.8 percent and the female homicide rate decreased 42.1 percent.
- The white homicide rate decreased 36.6 percent, the Hispanic homicide rate decreased 50.9 percent, and the black homicide rate decreased 21.4 percent.

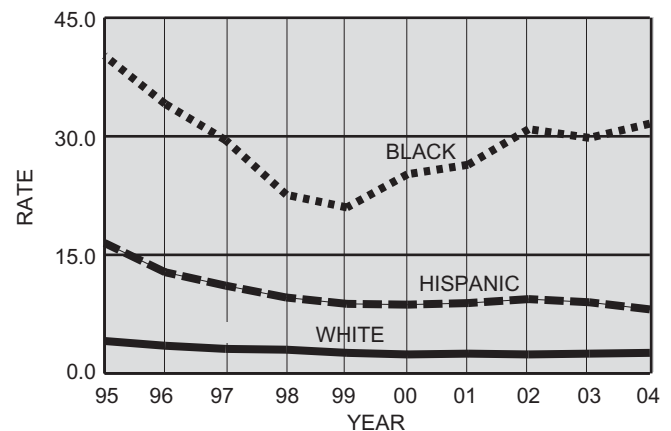
✓ *Since 1995, homicide rates have declined considerably for both males and females (down 36.8 and 42.1 percent, respectively). The homicide rate for blacks declined annually from 1995 to 1999, but increased from 2000 to 2004. The homicide rate for Hispanics declined 50.9 percent from 1995 to 2004.*

Figure 2
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Gender of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



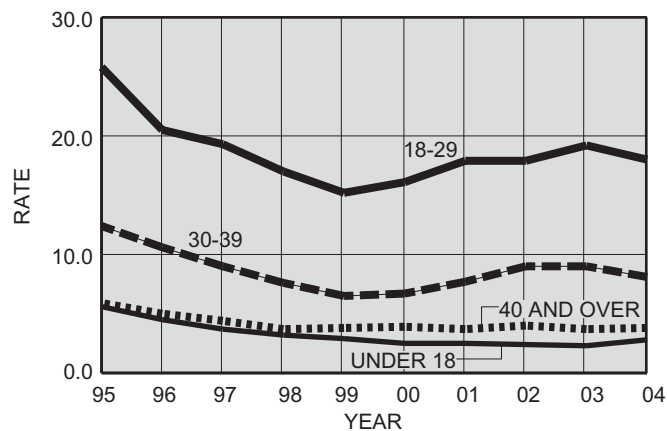
Source: Table 2.

Figure 3
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 3.

Figure 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Age of Victim
Rate per 100,000 Population



Source: Table 4.

In 2004,

- Persons aged 18-29 had the highest homicide victimization rate (18.0 per 100,000 population).

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- The homicide rate decreased 50.0 percent for victims under age 18, 30.2 percent for victims aged 18-29, 34.7 percent for victims aged 30-39, and 35.6 percent for victims aged 40 and over.



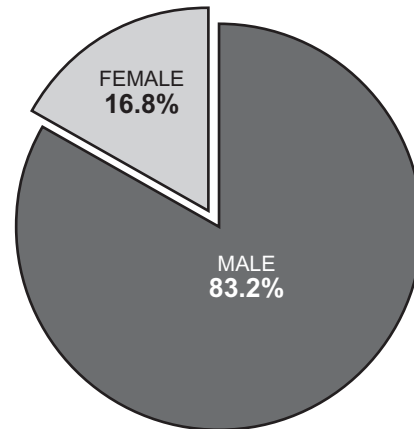
Since 1995, the homicide rate for victims aged 18-29 has consistently been the highest of any age group.

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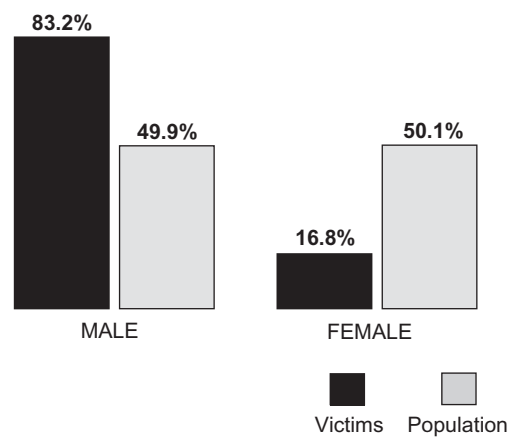
- Males represented 83.2 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 49.9 percent of the population.
- Females represented 16.8 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 50.1 percent of the population.

Figure 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Gender of Victim



Source: Table 5.

Figure 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Gender of Victim by Percent of Total Victims
and Percent of Population

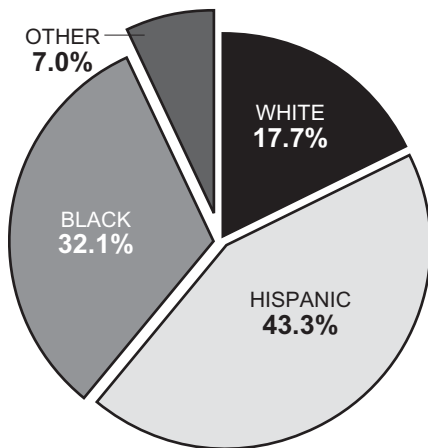


Sources: Tables 2 and 5.



The ratio of male to female homicide victimization has been approximately 4:1. This ratio represents a consistent historical trend (see Tables 2 and 5).

Figure 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

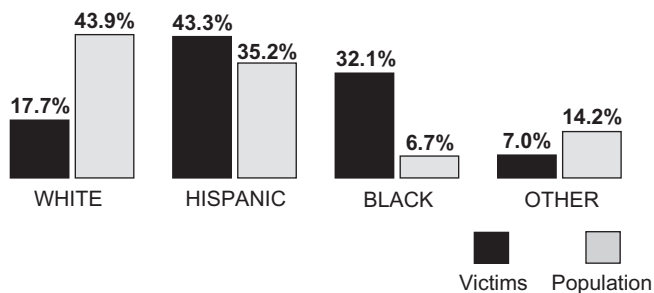


Source: Table 6.
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2004,

- Whites represented 17.7 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 43.9 percent of the population.
- Hispanics represented 43.3 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 35.2 percent of the population.
- Blacks represented 32.1 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 6.7 percent of the population.
- The “other” race/ethnic group category represented 7.0 percent of total homicide victims; they comprised 14.2 percent of the population.

Figure 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Percent of Total Victims and Percent of Population



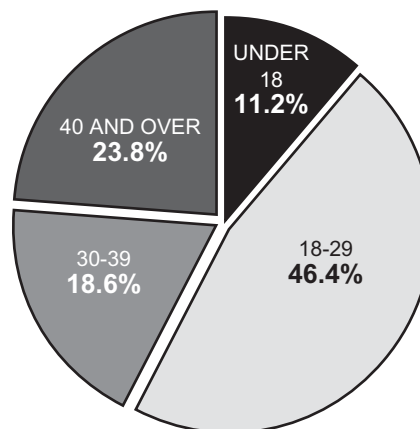
Sources: Tables 3 and 6.

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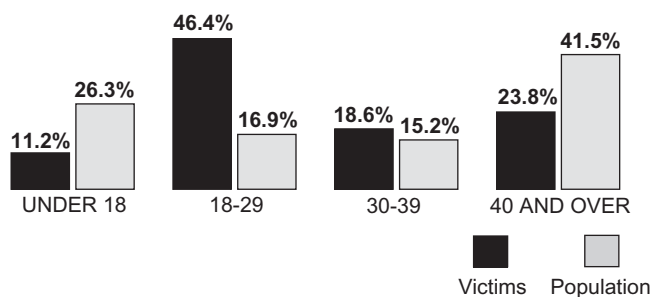
- 11.2 percent of total homicide victims were under age 18; this age group comprised 26.3 percent of the population.
- 46.4 percent of total homicide victims were aged 18-29; this age group comprised 16.9 percent of the population.
- 18.6 percent of total homicide victims were aged 30-39; this age group comprised 15.2 percent of the population.
- 23.8 percent of total homicide victims were aged 40 and over; this age group comprised 41.5 percent of the population.

Figure 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Age of Victim



Source: Table 7.

Figure 10
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Percent of Total Victims
and Percent of Population



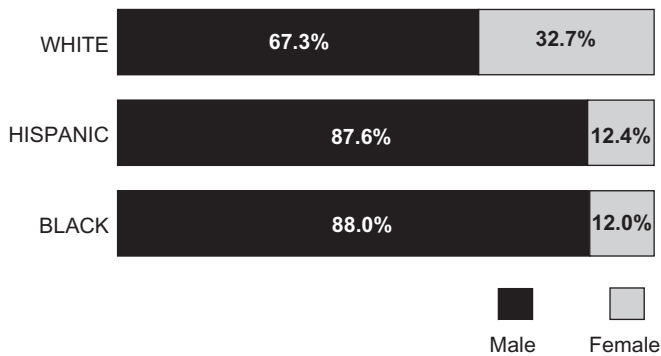
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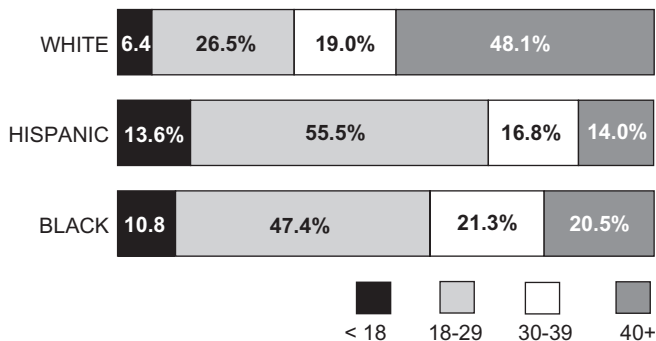
Since 1995, where the age of the victim was known, victims aged 18-29 have accounted for approximately 40 percent of the homicides (see Table 7).

Figure 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Gender of Victim



Source: Table 8.

Figure 12
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Age of Victim



Source: Table 9.

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

In 2004,

- A greater percentage of white victims were female than were either Hispanic or black victims (32.7 vs. 12.4 and 12.0 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of Hispanic and black victims were aged 18-29 than were white victims (55.5 and 47.4 vs. 26.5 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of white victims were aged 40 and over than were either Hispanic or black victims (48.1 vs. 14.0 and 20.5 percent, respectively).



In 2004, of the victims who were white, females constituted a higher percentage when compared to female victims who were Hispanic or black. White victims tended to be older, while Hispanic and black victims tended to be younger.

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

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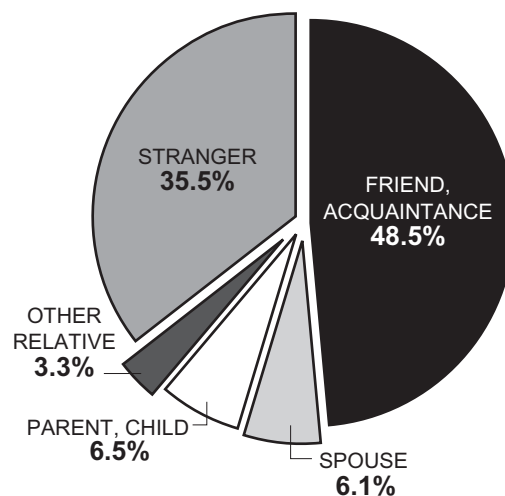
- 48.5 percent of victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders.
- 6.1 percent of victims were spouses of offenders.
- 6.5 percent of victims were parents or children of offenders.
- 3.3 percent of the relationships of victim to offender fell into the "other relative" category.
- 35.5 percent of victims were strangers to offenders.

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- The proportion of homicides in which victims were friends or acquaintances of offenders decreased from 52.6 percent to 48.5 percent.
- The proportion of homicides in which victims were strangers to offenders increased from 34.3 percent to 35.5 percent.

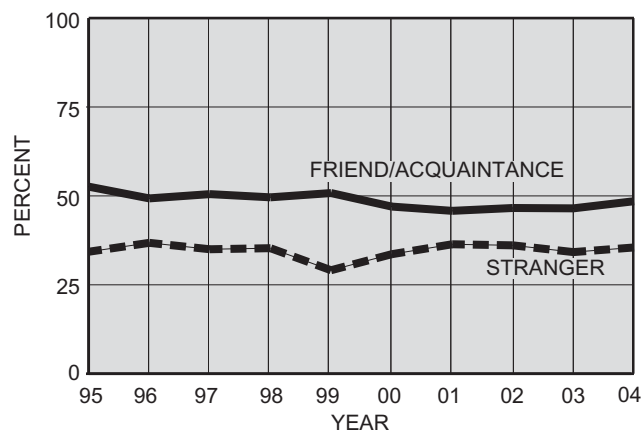
 ***In 2004, where the victim/offender relationship was known, nearly one-half (48.5 percent) of the victims were killed by friends or acquaintances.***

Figure 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Relationship of Victim to Offender



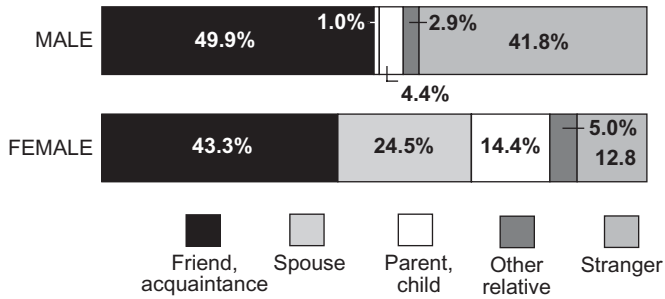
Source: Table 11.

Figure 14
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Selected Relationships of Victims to Offenders



Source: Table 11.

Figure 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Gender of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

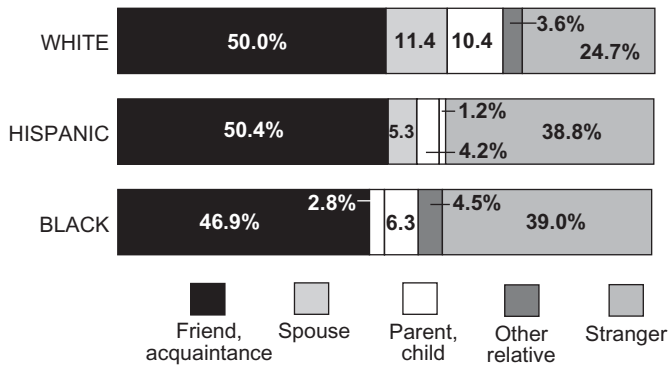


Source: Table 12.

In 2004,

- A greater percentage of female victims were spouses of offenders (24.5 percent) than were male victims (1.0 percent).
- A greater percentage of Hispanic and black victims were strangers to offenders than were white victims (38.8 and 39.0 vs. 24.7 percent, respectively).

Figure 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender



Source: Table 12.

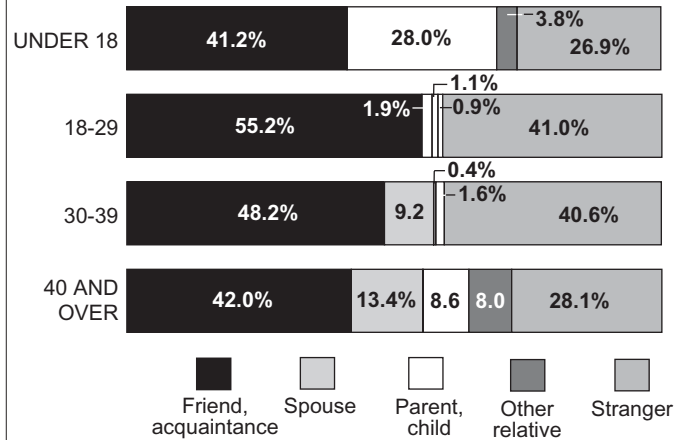
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In 2004,

- The largest percentage of homicide victims under 18, aged 18-29, 30-39, and 40 and over were friends or acquaintances of the offenders (41.2, 55.2, 48.2, and 42.0 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of victims aged 40 and over were spouses of the offenders (13.4 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Figure 17
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

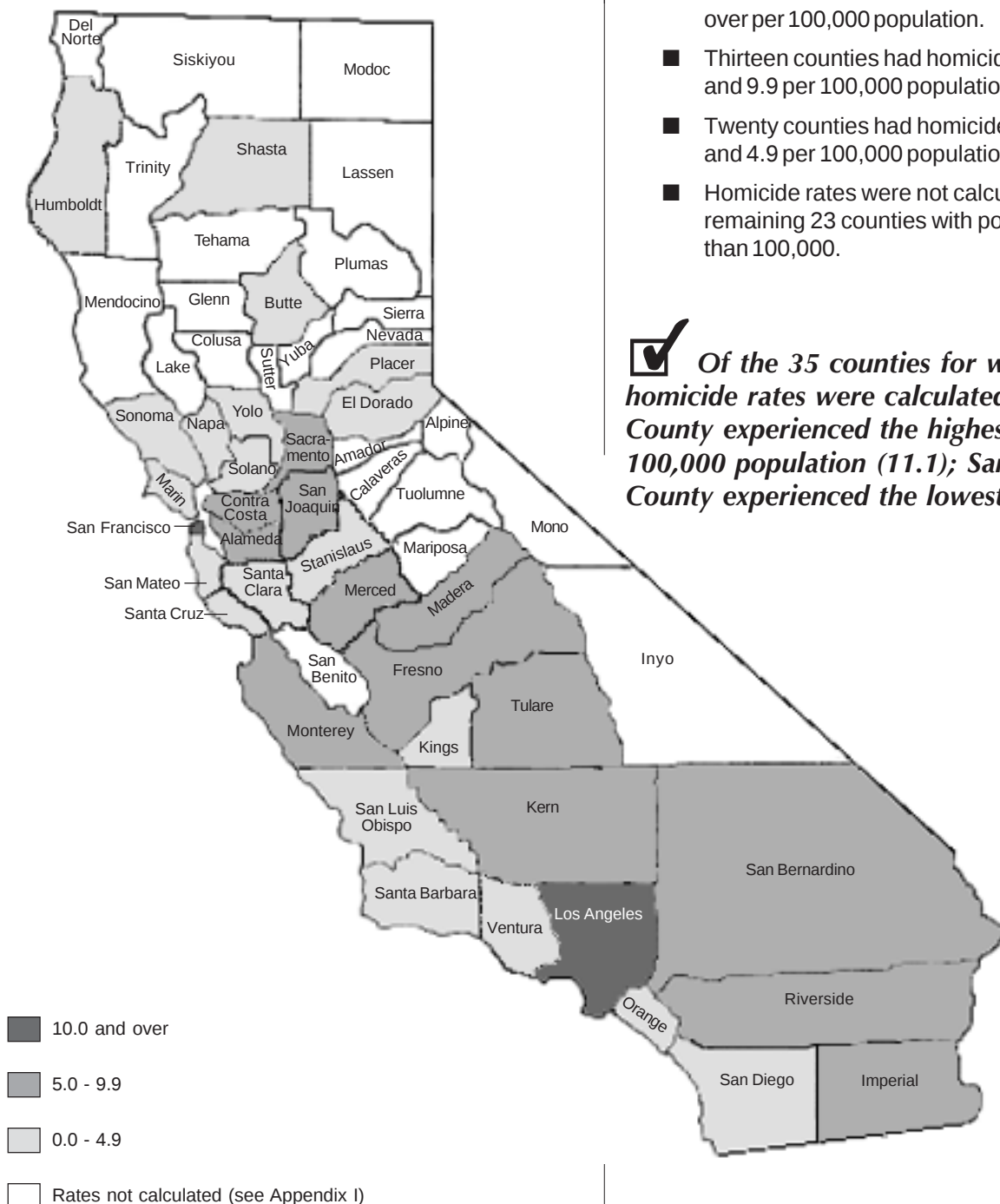


Source: Table 13.

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

 ***In 2004, 28.0 percent of homicide victims under age 18 were children of the offenders. Over 50 percent of homicide victims aged 18-29 were friends or acquaintances of the offenders.***

Figure 18
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
County by Rate per 100,000 Population



In 2004, 12 of California's 35 counties with a population of 100,000 or greater exceeded the statewide homicide rate of 6.5 per 100,000 population. When grouped:

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

✓ ***Of the 35 counties for which 2004 homicide rates were calculated, San Francisco County experienced the highest rate per 100,000 population (11.1); San Luis Obispo County experienced the lowest (0.8).***

Source: Table 14.

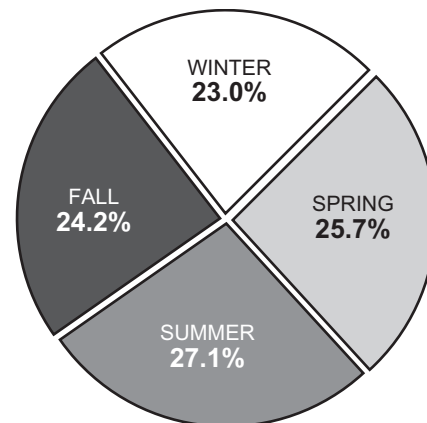
CRIMES

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

In 2004,

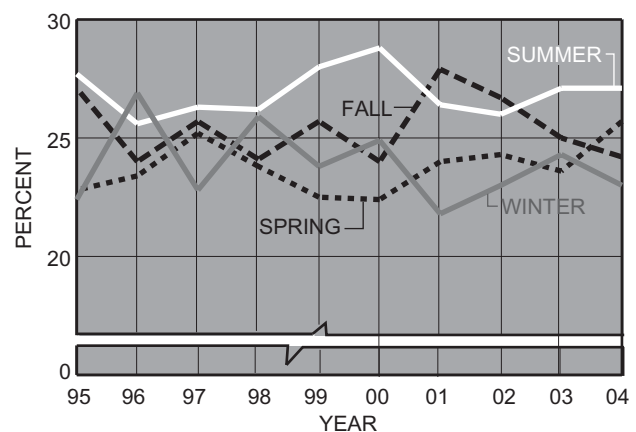
- The incidents leading to death occurred more often in the summer than in any other season (27.1 percent).

Figure 19
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Season of Incident



Source: Table 15.

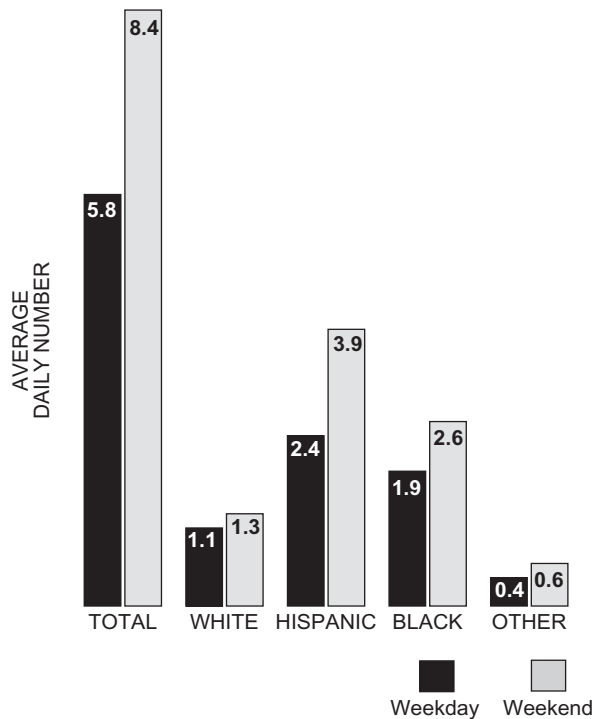
Figure 20
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Season of Incident



Source: Table 15.

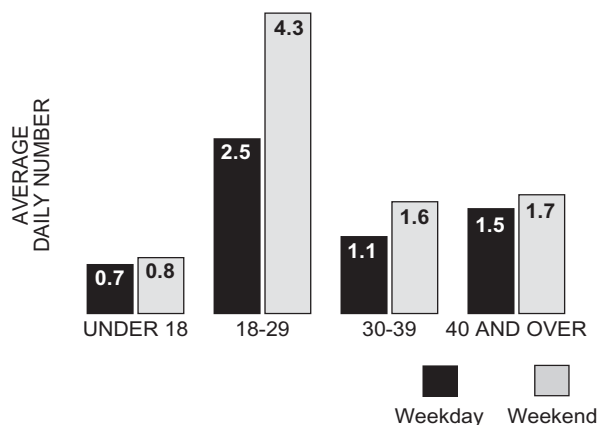
✓ *From 1995 to 2004, the average number of homicides committed during the summer exceeded the average number committed during any other season (see Table 15).*

Figure 21
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Average Daily Number
of Incidents on Weekdays and Weekends



Source: Table 16.

Figure 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Average Daily Number
of Incidents on Weekdays and Weekends



Source: Table 17.

In 2004,

- An average of 5.8 homicide victims were killed each weekday and 8.4 homicide victims were killed each weekend day.
- Hispanic victims had the highest average daily number of incidents on both weekdays and weekends (2.4 and 3.9, 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 4.3, respectively) of any age group shown.

 *In 2004, for all race/ethnic groups, the highest average daily number of homicide incidents occurred on weekends.*

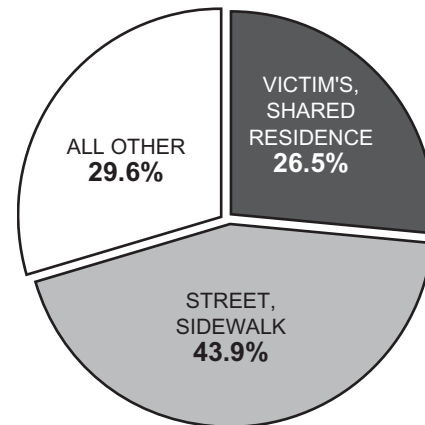
CRIMES

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

In 2004,

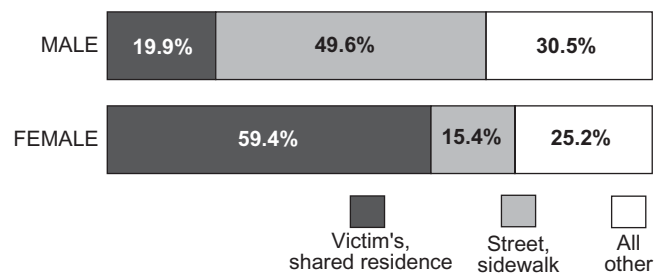
- 26.5 percent of victims were killed at their places of residence.
- 43.9 percent of homicides occurred on streets or sidewalks.
- 29.6 percent of homicides occurred in “all other” locations.
- The greatest percentage of males (49.6 percent) were killed on streets or sidewalks.
- The greatest percentage of females (59.4 percent) were killed at their places of residence.

Figure 23
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Location of Homicide



Source: Table 19.

Figure 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Gender of Victim by Location of Homicide

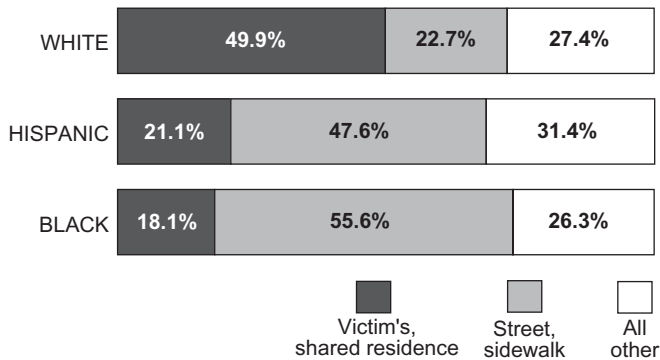


Source: Table 19.



In 2004, males were killed on streets or sidewalks (49.6 percent) more than anywhere else.

Figure 25
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Location of Homicide

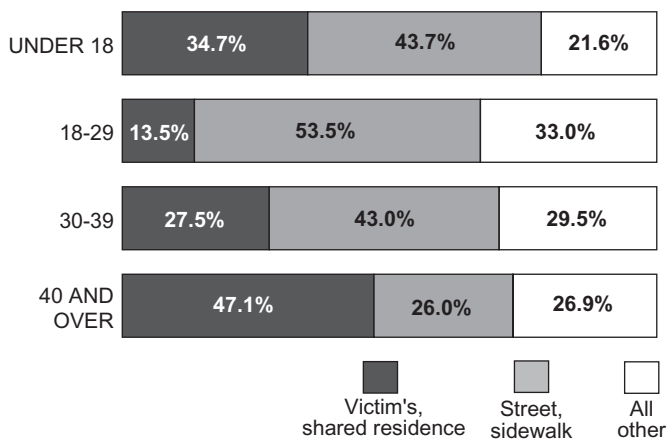


Source: Table 19.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

In 2004,

- A greater percentage of whites than Hispanics or blacks were killed at their places of residence (49.9 vs. 21.1 and 18.1 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of Hispanics and blacks were killed on streets or sidewalks than were whites (47.6 and 55.6 vs. 22.7 percent, respectively).
- A greater percentage of victims aged 18-29 were killed on streets or sidewalks (53.5 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.
- A greater percentage of victims aged 40 and over were killed at their places of residence (47.1 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Figure 26
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Location of Homicide



Source: Table 20.

 ***Of the locations shown, victims aged 40 and over were killed mostly in their residences, while victims in all other age groups were killed mostly on streets or sidewalks.***

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

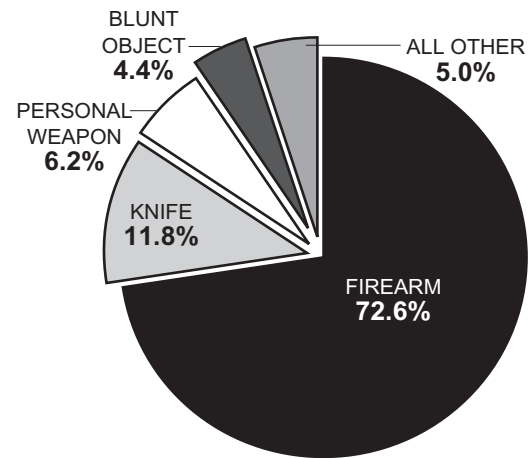
In 2004,

- 72.6 percent resulted from the use of firearms.
- 61.4 percent resulted from the use of handguns.
- 11.3 percent resulted from the use of all other types of firearms.
- 11.8 percent resulted from the use of knives.
- 6.2 percent resulted from the use of personal weapons (hands, feet, etc.).
- 4.4 percent resulted from the use of blunt objects (clubs, etc.).
- 5.0 percent resulted from the use of weapons grouped in the “all other” category.

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

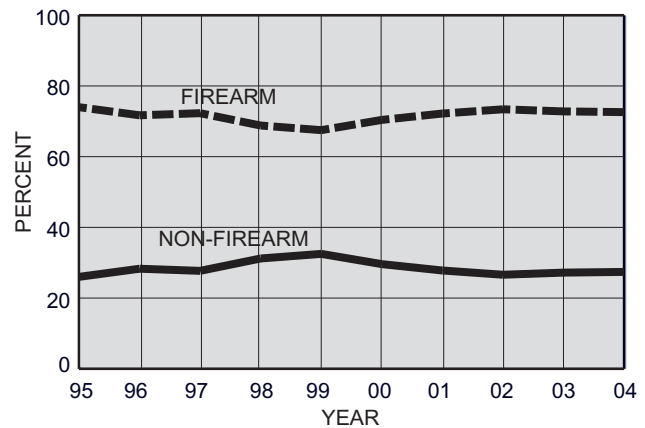
- The proportion of homicides that resulted from the use of firearms decreased slightly (from 74.0 percent to 72.6 percent).
- The proportion of homicides that resulted from the use of non-firearms increased (from 26.0 percent to 27.4 percent).

Figure 27
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Type of Weapon Used



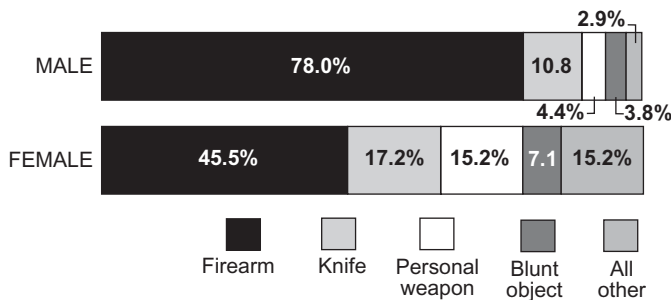
Source: Table 21.

Figure 28
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Selected Types of Weapons Used



Source: Table 21.

Figure 29
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Gender of Victim by Type of Weapon Used

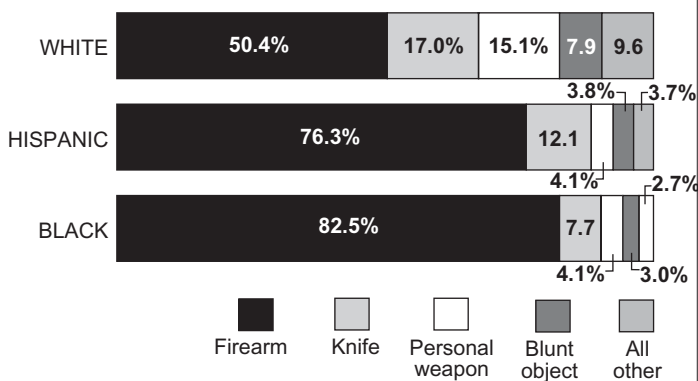


Source: Table 22.

In 2004,

- A greater percentage of males (78.0 percent) were killed with firearms than were females (45.5 percent).
- A greater percentage of females (54.5 percent) were killed with non-firearms than were males (22.0 percent).
- A greater percentage of Hispanics and blacks were killed with firearms than were whites (76.3 and 82.5 vs. 50.4 percent, respectively).

Figure 30
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Type of Weapon Used



Source: Table 22.

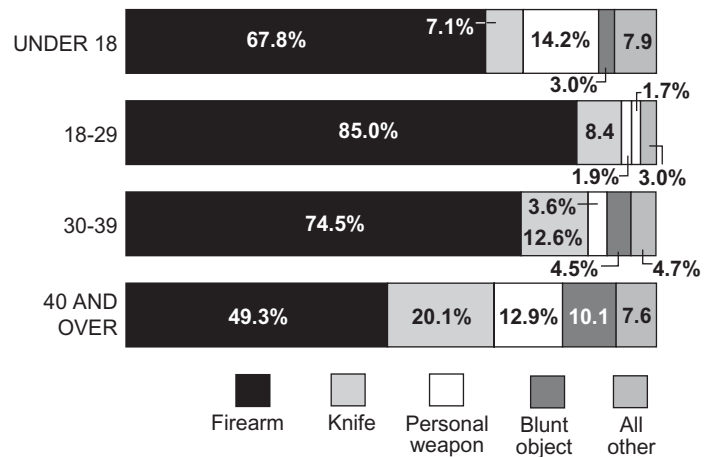
✓ In 2004, for victims of the race/ethnic groups shown, a higher percentage were killed by a firearm than by any other type of weapon.

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In 2004,

- A greater percentage of victims aged 18-29 were killed with firearms (85.0 percent) than were victims in any other age group shown.

Figure 31
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Type of Weapon Used



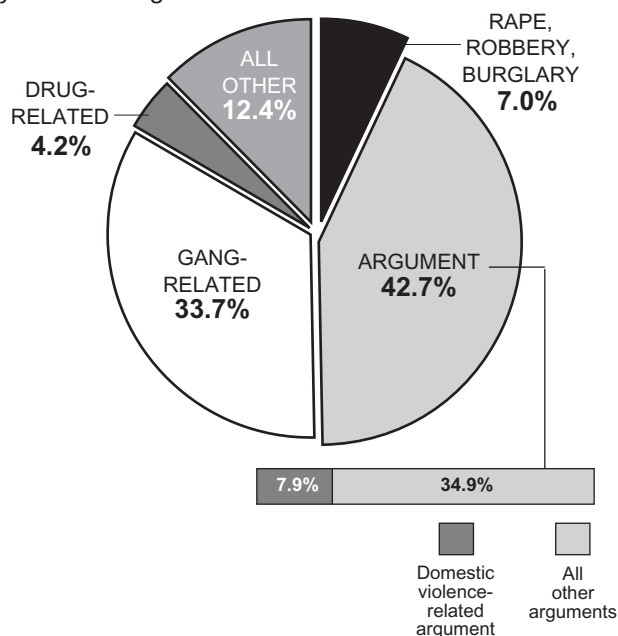
Source: Table 23.

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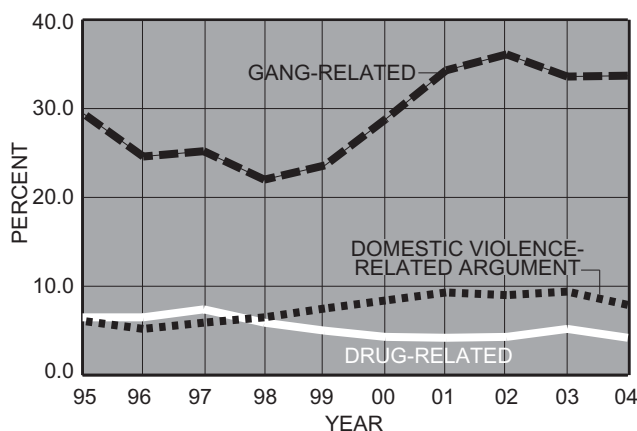
In 2004, 85 percent of homicide victims aged 18-29 were killed with firearms.

Figure 32
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
By Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 24.
Note: Percentages do not add to subtotal because of rounding.

Figure 33
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Selected Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 24.

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

In 2004,

- 7.0 percent occurred as a result of a rape, robbery, or burglary.
- 42.7 percent occurred as a result of an argument.
- 7.9 percent occurred as a result of a domestic violence-related argument.
- 34.9 percent occurred as a result of all other types of arguments.
- 33.7 percent were gang-related.
- 4.2 percent were drug-related.
- 12.4 percent occurred as a result of "all other" contributing circumstances.

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- The percentage of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was a domestic violence-related argument increased from 6.1 percent to 7.9 percent.
- The percentage of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was gang-related increased from 29.5 percent to 33.7 percent.
- The percentage of homicides in which the contributing circumstance was drug-related decreased from 6.5 percent to 4.2 percent.



In 2004, where the contributing circumstance was known, 42.7 percent of homicides were the result of an argument.

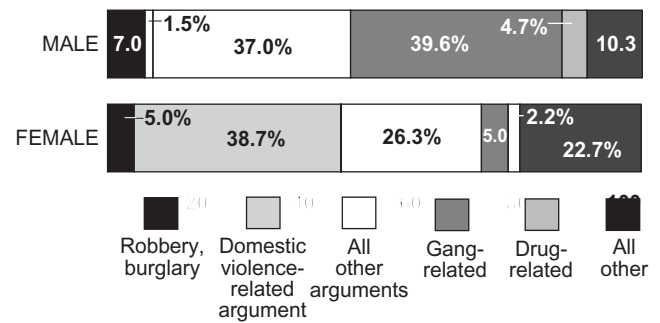
In 2004,

- The greatest percentage of males (39.6 percent) were victims of gang-related homicides.
- The greatest percentage of females (38.7 percent) were victims of domestic violence-related homicides.

Figure 34

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004

Gender of Victim by Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 25.

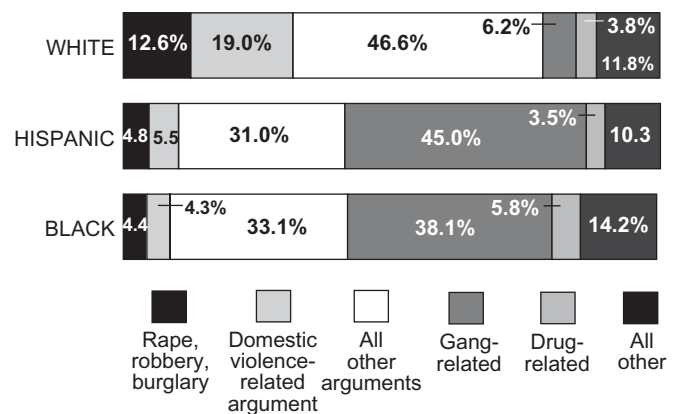
Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Figures 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 Figure 34. In 2004, 1.7 percent of homicide crimes involving females were rape-related.

Figure 35

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004

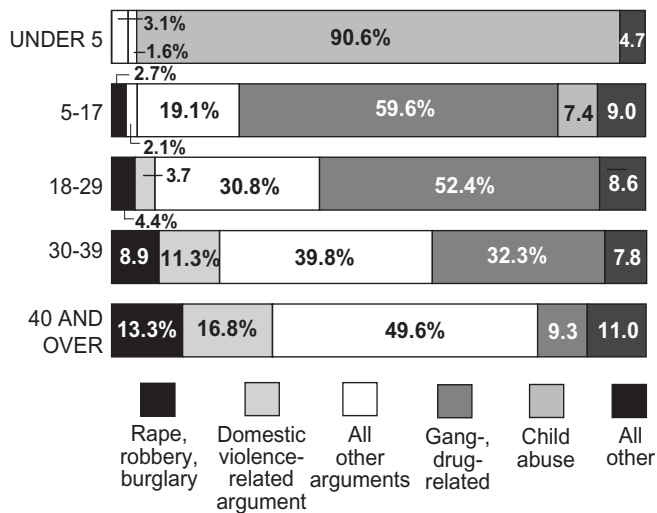
Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 25.

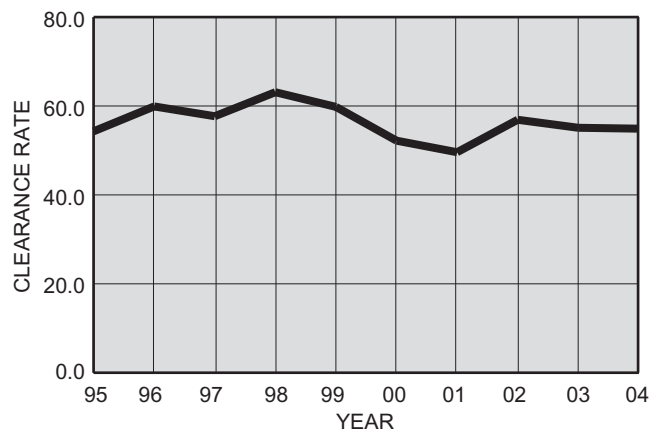
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Figure 36
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Age of Victim by Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 26.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Figure 37
HOMICIDE CRIMES CLEARED, 1995-2004
Clearance Rate



Source: Table 28.
Note: 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. Please see "Appendix II - Criminal Justice Glossary" for a detailed explanation of clearances.

In 2004,

- The majority of homicide victims under age 5 were killed as a result of child abuse (90.6 percent).
- The majority of homicide victims aged 5-17 and aged 18-29 were killed as a result of gang- or drug-related activities (59.6 and 52.4 percent, respectively).
- The greatest percentage of homicide victims aged 30-39 and aged 40 and over were killed as a result of argument-related conflicts (39.8 and 49.6 percent, respectively).

ARRESTS

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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 a homicide arrest includes murder and *nonvehicular* manslaughter. The federal definition of a homicide crime 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.

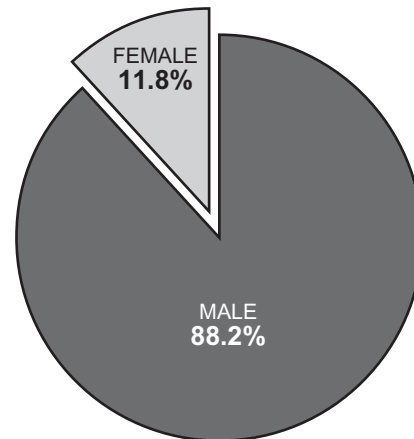
In 2004, of 1,978 arrests for homicide:

- 88.2 percent (1,745) of arrestees were male.
- 11.8 percent (233) of arrestees were female.

 ***In 2004, nearly 9 out of 10 homicide arrestees were male (88.2 percent).***

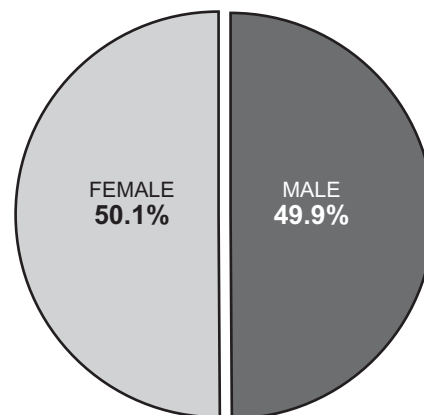
¹ The following penal codes for homicide arrest offenses were valid at the time of the closeout of the 2004 arrest offense code file: 128, 187(a), 189, 192(a), 192(b), 193(a), 193(b), 273ab, 399, and 12310(a).

Figure 38
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
By Gender of Arrestee



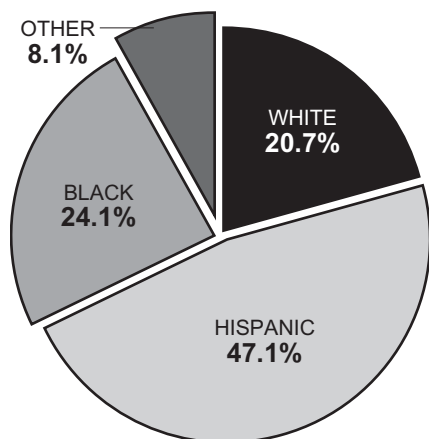
Source: Table 30.

Figure 39
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA, 2004
By Gender



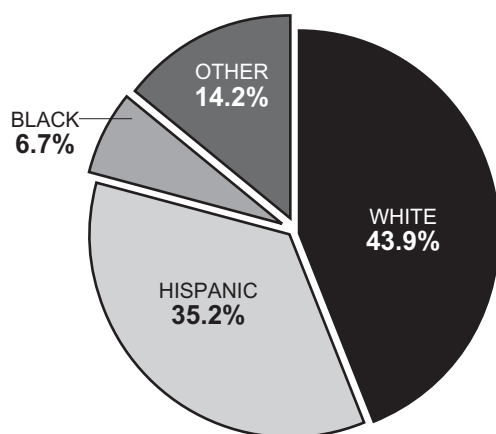
Source: Table 2.

Figure 40
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee



Source: Table 31.

Figure 41
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA, 2004
By Race/Ethnic Group



Source: Table 3.

In 2004, of 1,978 arrests for homicide:

- 20.7 percent (409) of arrestees were white.
- 47.1 percent (932) of arrestees were Hispanic.
- 24.1 percent (476) of arrestees were black.
- 8.1 percent (161) of arrestees fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category.

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



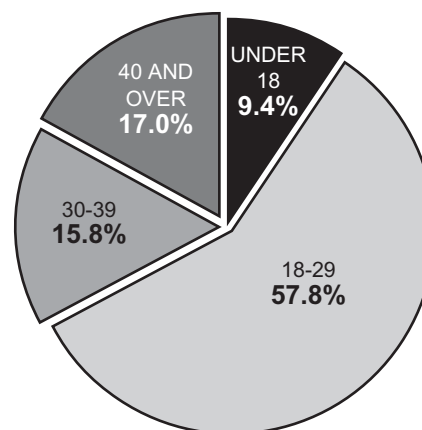
In 2004, the largest percentage of homicide arrestees were Hispanic (47.1 percent).

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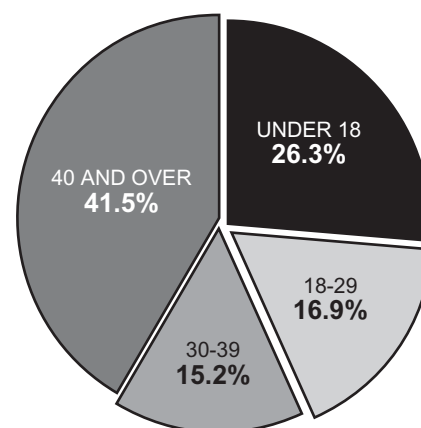
- 9.4 percent (185) of arrestees were under age 18.
- 57.8 percent (1,143) of arrestees were aged 18-29.
- 15.8 percent (313) of arrestees were aged 30-39.
- 17.0 percent (337) of arrestees were aged 40 and over.

Figure 42
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
By Age of Arrestee



Source: Table 32.

Figure 43
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA, 2004
By Age

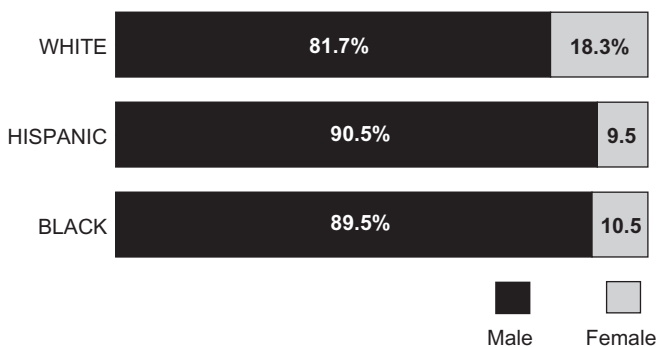


Source: Table 4.

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

 ***In 2004, the majority of homicide arrestees were aged 18-29 (57.8 percent).***

Figure 44
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender of Arrestee



Source: Table 33.

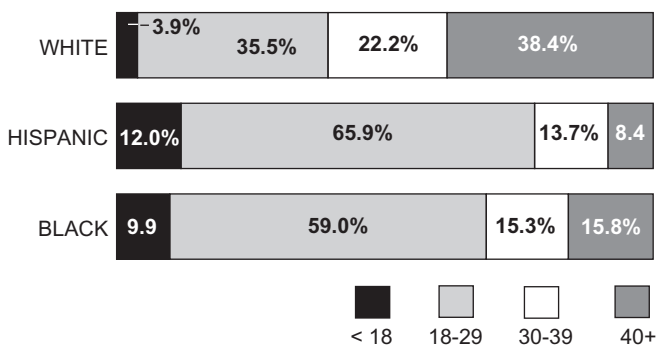
In 2004,

- Homicide arrestees for all three race/ethnic groups shown were predominately male.
- A greater percentage of white arrestees were female than were Hispanic or black arrestees (18.3 vs. 9.5 and 10.5 percent, respectively).

And,

- A greater percentage of white arrestees were aged 40 and over than were Hispanic or black arrestees (38.4 vs. 8.4 and 15.8 percent, respectively).
- The largest percentage of homicide arrestees for Hispanics and blacks fell into the “18-29” age category (65.9 and 59.0 percent, respectively).

Figure 45
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Age of Arrestee



Source: Table 33.

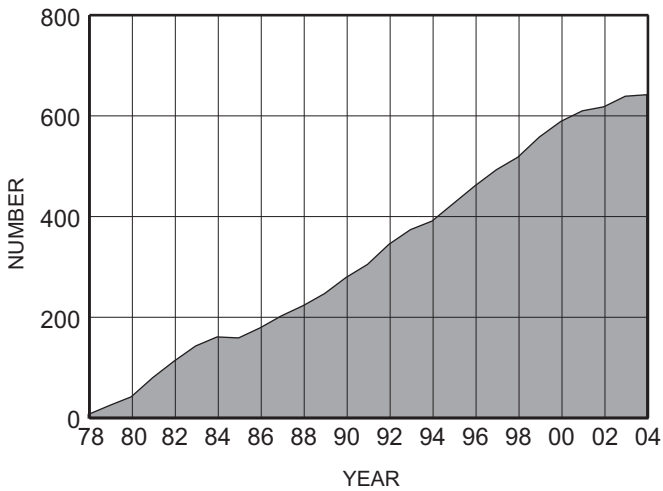
DEATH PENALTY SENTENCES

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This section contains information about persons sentenced to death in California courts in 2004. Death penalty data were extracted from the 2004 Offender-Based Transaction Statistics 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.

Figure 47
PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA
SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-2004



Source: Table 35.

During 2004, there were 12 persons convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to death. These were initial death sentences only and do not include persons who were resentenced to death after their death sentences were reversed on appeal. By the end of 2004, there were 642 persons under sentence of death in California.

Of the 12 persons newly sentenced to death in 2004:

- 11 were male and 1 was female.
- 6 were white; 2 were Hispanic; 3 were black; 1 fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category.
- The average (mean) age at arrest was 34.
- Los Angeles County sentenced the largest number (4).

Additional information can be found in Tables 35 and 36.

***PEACE OFFICERS
KILLED IN THE
LINE OF DUTY***

PEACE OFFICERS KILLED

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 N-2 and N-3 show that:

- From 1995 to 2004, there were 55 peace officers killed in the line of duty. During this time period, the largest number of deaths occurred in 1995 and the fewest number of deaths occurred in 2000.
- In 2004, 4 peace officers were killed in the line of duty. Of these, 2 peace officers were killed by the offenders' handgun, 1 peace officer was killed by the offender's rifle, and 1 peace officer was killed by the offender using an unknown type of firearm.

Table N-2
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1995-2004

Year(s)	Number of officers killed
Total	55
2004	4
2003	6
2002	4
2001	6
2000	2
1999	4
1998	7
1997	7
1996	5
1995	10

Table N-3
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2004
By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total	Offender's	Officer's
Total	4	4	0
Handgun	2	2	0
Rifle	1	1	0
Unknown firearm	1	1	0

Table N-4
PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2004
Race/Ethnic Group of Officer by Gender of Officer

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

Data in Table N-4 show that:

- In 2004, all 4 peace officers killed in the line of duty were male; 1 was white, 2 were Hispanic, and 1 was black.

When homicide rates for the general population were compared to homicide rates for peace officers killed in the line of duty, it was found that:

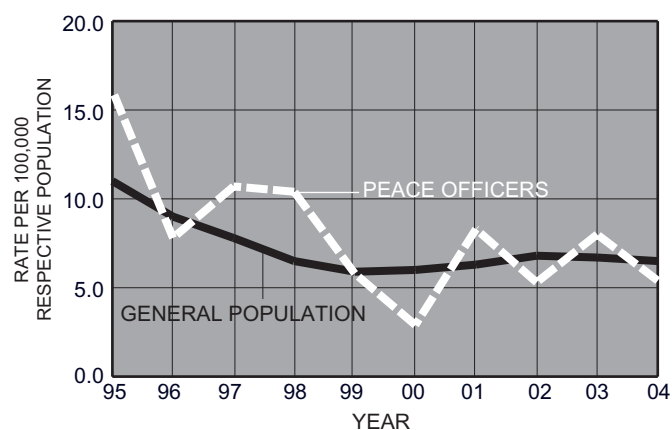
In 2004,

- The general population homicide rate was 6.5 per 100,000 respective population. The homicide rate for peace officers killed in the line of duty was 5.4 per 100,000 respective population.

Comparing 1995 to 2004:

- The general population homicide rate decreased 40.9 percent (11.0 to 6.5). The homicide rate for peace officers killed in the line of duty decreased 66.5 percent (16.1 to 5.4).

Figure 47
HOMICIDE CRIMES AND PEACE OFFICERS KILLED
IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1995-2004
Homicide Rate per 100,000 Respective Population



Source: Table 37.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

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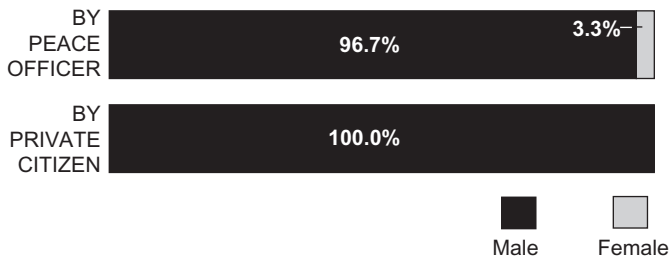
A justifiable homicide is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as the killing of a felon by a private citizen or peace officer during the commission of a felony. Justifiable homicides are sometimes referred to as excusable or noncriminal homicides.

When justifiable homicides were examined, it was found that:

In 2004,

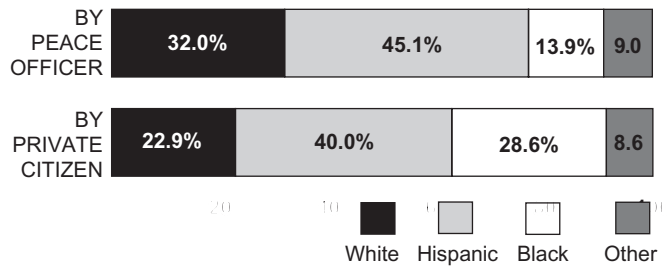
- 96.7 percent of felons (118) killed by peace officers were male; 3.3 percent were female (4).
- 100.0 percent of felons (35) killed by private citizens were male.

Figure 48
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004
By Gender of Deceased



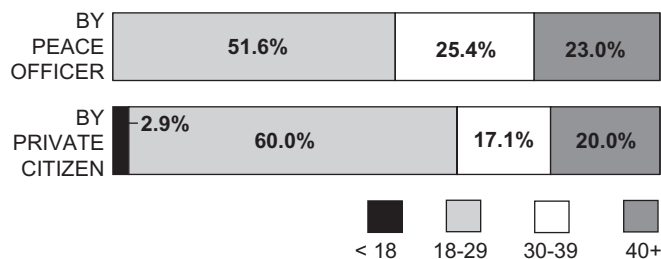
Source: Table 39.

Figure 49
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Deceased



Source: Table 39.
Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Figure 50
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004
By Age of Deceased



Source: Table 39.

In 2004,

- 32.0 percent (39) of felons killed by peace officers were white, 45.1 percent (55) were Hispanic, 13.9 percent (17) were black, and 9.0 percent (11) fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category.
- 22.9 percent (8) of felons killed by private citizens were white, 40.0 percent (14) were Hispanic, 28.6 percent (10) were black, and 8.6 percent (3) fell into the "other" race/ethnic group category.
- 51.6 percent (63) of felons killed by peace officers were aged 18-29, 25.4 percent (31) were aged 30-39, and 23.0 percent (28) were aged 40 and over.
- 2.9 percent (1) of felons killed by private citizens were under age 18, 60.0 percent (21) were aged 18-29, 17.1 percent (6) were aged 30-39, and 20.0 percent (7) were aged 40 and over.

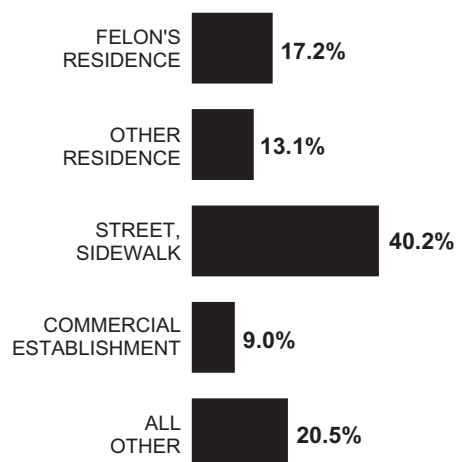
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES

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

In 2004,

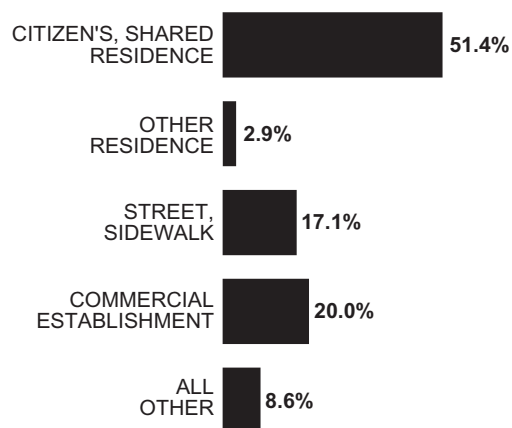
- Most felons killed by peace officers were killed on a street or sidewalk (40.2 percent).
- The largest percentage of felons killed by private citizens fell into the “citizen’s, shared residence” category (51.4 percent).

Figure 51
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 2004
By Location of Justifiable Homicide



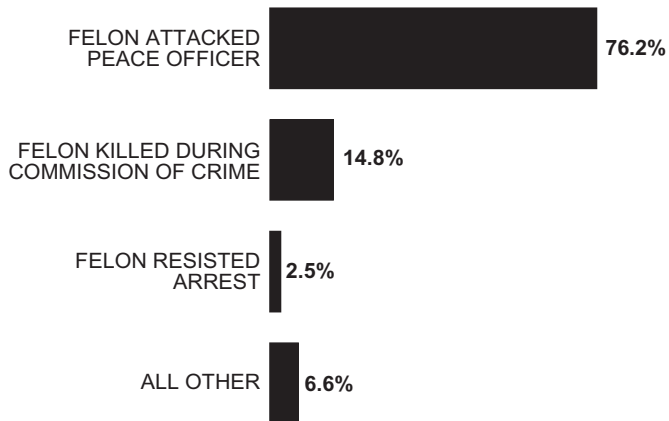
Source: Table 40.

Figure 52
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004
By Location of Justifiable Homicide



Source: Table 40.

Figure 53
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS, 2004
By Contributing Circumstance



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

Figure 54
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004
By Contributing Circumstance



Source: Table 41.

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

In 2004,

- Most felons killed by peace officers were killed while attacking a peace officer (76.2 percent).
- Most felons killed by private citizens were killed while attacking the private citizen (51.4 percent).

DATA TABLES

Table 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 1995-2004
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homi- cide	Forcible rape	Robbery	Aggra- vated assault
Number					
2004.....	197,432	2,394	9,598	61,573	123,867
2003.....	204,591	2,402	9,918	63,597	128,674
2002.....	207,988	2,392	10,176	64,805	130,615
2001.....	210,510	2,201	9,882	63,299	135,128
2000.....	210,492	2,074	9,785	60,243	138,390
1999.....	207,874	2,006	9,443	60,027	136,398
1998.....	229,766	2,170	9,777	68,752	149,067
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
Percent change in number					
2003-2004.....	-3.5	-0.3	-3.2	-3.2	-3.7
2002-2003.....	-1.6	0.4	-2.5	-1.9	-1.5
2001-2002.....	-1.2	8.7	3.0	2.4	-3.3
2000-2001.....	0.0	6.1	1.0	5.1	-2.4
1999-2000.....	1.3	3.4	3.6	0.4	1.5
1998-1999.....	-9.5	-7.6	-3.4	-12.7	-8.5
1997-1998.....	-10.7	-15.9	-4.0	-15.6	-8.7
1996-1997.....	-6.3	-11.4	-0.5	-13.5	-2.5
1995-1996.....	-9.9	-17.6	-3.0	-10.0	-10.2
1995-2004.....	-35.3	-32.2	-9.0	-41.1	-33.5
Rate per 100,000 population ¹					
2004.....	539.6	6.5	26.2	168.3	338.5
2003.....	569.4	6.7	27.6	177.0	358.1
2002.....	589.2	6.8	28.8	183.6	370.0
2001.....	605.6	6.3	28.4	182.1	388.8
2000.....	610.5	6.0	28.4	174.7	401.4
1999.....	610.7	5.9	27.7	176.4	400.7
1998.....	686.0	6.5	29.2	205.3	445.1
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
Percent change in rate					
2003-2004.....	-5.2	-3.0	-5.1	-4.9	-5.5
2002-2003.....	-3.4	-1.5	-4.2	-3.6	-3.2
2001-2002.....	-2.7	7.9	1.4	0.8	-4.8
2000-2001.....	-0.8	5.0	0.0	4.2	-3.1
1999-2000.....	0.0	1.7	2.5	-1.0	0.2
1998-1999.....	-11.0	-9.2	-5.1	-14.1	-10.0
1997-1998.....	-12.2	-16.7	-5.5	-16.9	-10.1
1996-1997.....	-7.9	-13.3	-2.2	-15.0	-4.2
1995-1996.....	-10.8	-18.2	-4.0	-10.9	-11.1
1995-2004.....	-43.3	-40.9	-20.4	-48.4	-41.8

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

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

Table 2

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004

By Gender of Victim

Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Gender of victim	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Percent change		
											1995-2004	2003-2004	2004
Total													
Number of victims.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	-32.2	-0.3	
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Population.....	32,063,000	32,383,000	32,957,000	33,494,000	34,036,000	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	14.1	1.8	
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Rate.....	11.0	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	-40.9	-3.0	
Male¹													
Number of victims.....	2,901	2,368	2,097	1,727	1,568	1,666	1,756	1,938	1,972	1,992	-31.3	1.0	
Percent of total victims.....	82.2%	81.4%	81.3%	79.6%	78.2%	80.3%	79.8%	81.0%	82.1%	83.2%			
Population.....	16,643,729	16,979,256	17,135,207	16,810,163	17,099,812	17,398,995	17,694,411	17,984,195	18,270,127	18,161,654	9.1	-0.6	
Percent of population.....	50.1%	50.1%	50.0%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	50.2%	49.9%			
Rate.....	17.4	13.9	12.2	10.3	9.2	9.6	9.9	10.8	10.8	11.0	-36.8	1.9	
Female													
Number of victims.....	629	542	482	443	438	408	445	454	430	402	-36.1	-6.5	
Percent of total victims.....	17.8%	18.6%	18.7%	20.4%	21.8%	19.7%	20.2%	19.0%	17.9%	16.8%			
Population.....	16,545,201	16,884,383	17,159,994	16,696,243	16,972,666	17,254,400	17,538,924	17,818,043	18,093,375	18,214,757	10.1	0.7	
Percent of population.....	49.9%	49.9%	50.0%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	49.8%	50.1%			
Rate.....	3.8	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.2	-42.1	-8.3	

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

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

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

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

¹ The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined: 1995 includes six, 1997 includes five, 2000 includes two, 2001 includes one, and 2002 includes one.

Table 3
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim
Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Race/ethnic group of victim	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Percent change	
											1995-2004	2003-2004
Total												
Number of victims.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	-32.2	-0.3
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Population.....	32,063,000	32,383,000	32,957,000	33,494,000	34,036,000	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	14.1	1.8
Percent of population.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Rate.....	11.0	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	-40.9	-3.0
White												
Number of victims.....	726	617	547	523	446	421	442	417	444	422	-41.9	-5.0
Percent of total victims..	20.6%	21.2%	21.2%	24.1%	22.2%	20.3%	20.1%	17.4%	18.5%	17.6%		
Population.....	17,593,222	17,787,715	17,849,510	17,258,003	17,339,690	17,421,511	17,503,225	17,573,850	17,635,296	15,967,775	-9.2	-9.5
Percent of population...	53.0%	52.5%	52.0%	51.5%	50.9%	50.3%	49.7%	49.1%	48.5%	43.9%		
Rate.....	4.1	3.5	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	-36.6	4.0
Hispanic												
Number of victims.....	1,615	1,291	1,154	964	909	933	985	1,066	1,053	1,034	-36.0	-1.8
Percent of total victims..	45.8%	44.4%	44.7%	44.4%	45.3%	45.0%	44.8%	44.6%	43.8%	43.2%		
Population.....	9,764,691	10,114,228	10,421,039	10,022,551	10,352,763	10,688,752	11,020,710	11,352,852	11,685,915	12,816,038	31.2	9.7
Percent of population...	29.4%	29.9%	30.4%	29.9%	30.4%	30.8%	31.3%	31.7%	32.1%	35.2%		
Rate.....	16.5	12.8	11.1	9.6	8.8	8.7	8.9	9.4	9.0	8.1	-50.9	-10.0
Black												
Number of victims.....	922	794	682	523	488	589	622	734	713	766	-16.9	7.4
Percent of total victims..	26.1%	27.3%	26.4%	24.1%	24.3%	28.4%	28.3%	30.7%	29.7%	32.0%		
Population.....	2,293,634	2,330,391	2,314,836	2,309,152	2,320,916	2,337,935	2,355,812	2,373,399	2,390,411	2,425,066	5.7	1.4
Percent of population...	6.9%	6.9%	6.7%	6.9%	6.8%	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%		
Rate.....	40.2	34.1	29.5	22.6	21.0	25.2	26.4	30.9	29.8	31.6	-21.4	6.0
Other												
Number of victims.....	254	198	177	147	157	121	145	166	185	167	-34.3	-9.7
Percent of total victims..	7.2%	6.8%	6.9%	6.8%	7.8%	5.8%	6.6%	6.9%	7.7%	7.0%		
Population.....	3,537,383	3,631,305	3,709,816	3,916,700	4,059,109	4,205,197	4,353,588	4,502,137	4,651,880	5,167,532	46.1	11.1
Percent of population...	10.7%	10.7%	10.8%	11.7%	11.9%	12.1%	12.4%	12.6%	12.8%	14.2%		
Rate.....	7.2	5.5	4.8	3.8	3.9	2.9	3.3	3.7	4.0	3.2	-55.6	-20.0
Unknown												
Number of victims.....	13	10	19	13	6	10	7	9	7	5	-	-
Percent of total victims..	0.4%	0.3%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%		
Population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percent of population...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

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Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population. Population breakdowns by race/ethnic group will not add to total because of variations in population source data.

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

The "percent of population" category for race/ethnic group was calculated using the sum of the race/ethnic group populations.

Table 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Age of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Age of victim	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Percent change 1995- 2003- 2004 2004
Total											
Number of victims.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	-32.2 -0.3
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Population.....	32,063,000	32,383,000	32,957,000	33,494,000	34,036,000	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	14.1 1.8
Percent of population....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Rate.....	11.0	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	-40.9 -3.0
Under 18											
Number of victims.....	519	421	361	306	276	246	252	247	240	269	-48.2 12.1
Percent of total victims.	14.7%	14.5%	14.0%	14.1%	13.8%	11.9%	11.4%	10.3%	10.0%	11.2%	
Population.....	9,191,662	9,456,115	9,701,218	9,426,168	9,587,332	9,770,687	9,932,913	10,095,903	10,248,237	9,575,520	4.2 -6.6
Percent of population...	27.7%	27.9%	28.3%	28.1%	28.1%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	26.3%	
Rate.....	5.6	4.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.8	-50.0 21.7
18-29											
Number of victims.....	1,510	1,183	1,068	933	840	888	992	1,098	1,100	1,110	-26.5 0.9
Percent of total victims.	42.8%	40.7%	41.4%	43.0%	41.9%	42.8%	45.1%	45.9%	45.8%	46.4%	
Population.....	5,854,943	5,770,311	5,537,727	5,474,990	5,511,604	5,523,472	5,555,926	6,123,037	5,740,606	6,160,386	5.2 7.3
Percent of population...	17.6%	17.0%	16.1%	16.3%	16.2%	15.9%	15.8%	17.1%	15.8%	16.9%	
Rate.....	25.8	20.5	19.3	17.0	15.2	16.1	17.9	17.9	19.2	18.0	-30.2 -6.3
30-39											
Number of victims.....	737	630	534	428	364	377	426	449	486	446	-39.5 -8.2
Percent of total victims.	20.9%	21.6%	20.7%	19.7%	18.1%	18.2%	19.4%	18.8%	20.2%	18.6%	
Population.....	5,942,572	5,968,805	5,942,241	5,654,098	5,629,424	5,597,411	5,535,620	4,994,720	5,384,170	5,534,220	-6.9 2.8
Percent of population...	17.9%	17.6%	17.3%	16.9%	16.5%	16.2%	15.7%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%	
Rate.....	12.4	10.6	9.0	7.6	6.5	6.7	7.7	9.0	9.0	8.1	-34.7 -10.0
40 and over											
Number of victims.....	719	636	580	480	505	534	519	579	560	569	-20.9 1.6
Percent of total victims.	20.4%	21.9%	22.5%	22.1%	25.2%	25.7%	23.6%	24.2%	23.3%	23.8%	
Population.....	12,199,753	12,668,408	13,114,015	12,951,150	13,344,118	13,761,825	14,208,876	14,588,578	14,990,489	15,106,285	23.8 0.8
Percent of population...	36.8%	37.4%	38.2%	38.7%	39.2%	39.7%	40.3%	40.7%	41.2%	41.5%	
Rate.....	5.9	5.0	4.4	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	-35.6 2.7
Unknown											
Number of victims.....	45	40	36	23	21	29	12	19	16	0	- -
Percent of total victims.	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.1%	1.0%	1.4%	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%	0.0%	
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 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.
 The "percent of population" category for age group was calculated using the sum of the age populations.

Table 5
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Gender of Victim

Year(s)	Total		Male ¹		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2004.....	2,394	100.0	1,992	83.2	402	16.8
2003.....	2,402	100.0	1,972	82.1	430	17.9
2002.....	2,392	100.0	1,938	81.0	454	19.0
2001.....	2,201	100.0	1,756	79.8	445	20.2
2000.....	2,074	100.0	1,666	80.3	408	19.7
1999.....	2,006	100.0	1,568	78.2	438	21.8
1998.....	2,170	100.0	1,727	79.6	443	20.4
1997.....	2,579	100.0	2,097	81.3	482	18.7
1996.....	2,910	100.0	2,368	81.4	542	18.6
1995.....	3,530	100.0	2,901	82.2	629	17.8

¹ The "male" category includes homicide victims whose gender could not be determined: 1995 includes six, 1997 includes five, 2000 includes two, 2001 includes one, and 2002 includes one.

Table 6
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
By Race/Ethnic Group of Victim

Year(s)	Total including unknown	Unknown	Known race/ethnic group of victim							
			Total		White		Hispanic		Black	
			Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2004.....	2,394	5	2,389	100.0	422	17.7	1,034	43.3	766	32.1
2003.....	2,402	7	2,395	100.0	444	18.5	1,053	44.0	713	29.8
2002.....	2,392	9	2,383	100.0	417	17.5	1,066	44.7	734	30.8
2001.....	2,201	7	2,194	100.0	442	20.1	985	44.9	622	28.4
2000.....	2,074	10	2,064	100.0	421	20.4	933	45.2	589	28.5
1999.....	2,006	6	2,000	100.0	446	22.3	909	45.5	488	24.4
1998.....	2,170	13	2,157	100.0	523	24.2	964	44.7	523	24.2
1997.....	2,579	19	2,560	100.0	547	21.4	1,154	45.1	682	26.6
1996.....	2,910	10	2,900	100.0	617	21.3	1,291	44.5	794	27.4
1995.....	3,530	13	3,517	100.0	726	20.6	1,615	45.9	922	26.2
									167	7.0
									185	7.7
									166	7.0
									145	6.6
									121	5.9
									157	7.9
									147	6.8
									177	6.9
									198	6.8
									254	7.2

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

Table 7
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
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
2004.....	2,394	0	2,394	100.0	269	11.2	1,110	46.4	446	18.6	569	23.8
2003.....	2,402	16	2,386	100.0	240	10.1	1,100	46.1	486	20.4	560	23.5
2002.....	2,392	19	2,373	100.0	247	10.4	1,098	46.3	449	18.9	579	24.4
2001.....	2,201	12	2,189	100.0	252	11.5	992	45.3	426	19.5	519	23.7
2000.....	2,074	29	2,045	100.0	246	12.0	888	43.4	377	18.4	534	26.1
1999.....	2,006	21	1,985	100.0	276	13.9	840	42.3	364	18.3	505	25.4
1998.....	2,170	23	2,147	100.0	306	14.3	933	43.5	428	19.9	480	22.4
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

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

Table 8
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
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.....	2,394	100.0	422	100.0	1,034	100.0	766	100.0	167	100.0	5	100.0
Male.....	1,992	83.2	284	67.3	906	87.6	674	88.0	124	74.3	4	-
Female.....	402	16.8	138	32.7	128	12.4	92	12.0	43	25.7	1	-

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

Table 9
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 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..	2,394		422		1,034		766		167		5	
Unknown.....	0		0		0		0		0		0	
Total known.....	2,394	100.0	422	100.0	1,034	100.0	766	100.0	167	100.0	5	100.0
Under 18.....	269	11.2	27	6.4	141	13.6	83	10.8	17	10.2	1	-
18-29.....	1,110	46.4	112	26.5	574	55.5	363	47.4	59	35.3	2	-
30-39.....	446	18.6	80	19.0	174	16.8	163	21.3	28	16.8	1	-
40 and over.....	569	23.8	203	48.1	145	14.0	157	20.5	63	37.7	1	-

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, 2004
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.....	2,394	100.0	422	100.0	1,034	100.0	766	100.0	167	100.0	5	100.0
Under 18.....	269	11.2	27	6.4	141	13.6	83	10.8	17	10.2	1	-
18-19.....	234	9.8	28	6.6	118	11.4	73	9.5	15	9.0	0	-
20-24.....	511	21.3	48	11.4	272	26.3	160	20.9	29	17.4	2	-
25-29.....	365	15.2	36	8.5	184	17.8	130	17.0	15	9.0	0	-
30-34.....	262	10.9	41	9.7	102	9.9	98	12.8	21	12.6	0	-
35-39.....	184	7.7	39	9.2	72	7.0	65	8.5	7	4.2	1	-
40-44.....	152	6.3	38	9.0	51	4.9	56	7.3	7	4.2	0	-
45-49.....	140	5.8	47	11.1	41	4.0	38	5.0	14	8.4	0	-
50-54.....	105	4.4	38	9.0	29	2.8	25	3.3	12	7.2	1	-
55 and over....	172	7.2	80	19.0	24	2.3	38	5.0	30	18.0	0	-
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	-
Male.....	1,992	100.0	284	100.0	906	100.0	674	100.0	124	100.0	4	100.0
Under 18.....	207	10.4	18	6.3	111	12.3	66	9.8	12	9.7	0	-
18-19.....	206	10.3	18	6.3	105	11.6	69	10.2	14	11.3	0	-
20-24.....	459	23.0	39	13.7	251	27.7	145	21.5	22	17.7	2	-
25-29.....	335	16.8	29	10.2	171	18.9	124	18.4	11	8.9	0	-
30-34.....	217	10.9	28	9.9	85	9.4	87	12.9	17	13.7	0	-
35-39.....	155	7.8	27	9.5	64	7.1	57	8.5	6	4.8	1	-
40-44.....	120	6.0	27	9.5	43	4.7	45	6.7	5	4.0	0	-
45-49.....	99	5.0	27	9.5	34	3.8	30	4.5	8	6.5	0	-
50-54.....	85	4.3	30	10.6	25	2.8	21	3.1	8	6.5	1	-
55 and over..	109	5.5	41	14.4	17	1.9	30	4.5	21	16.9	0	-
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	-
Female.....	402	100.0	138	100.0	128	100.0	92	100.0	43	100.0	1	100.0
Under 18.....	62	15.4	9	6.5	30	23.4	17	18.5	5	-	1	-
18-19.....	28	7.0	10	7.2	13	10.2	4	4.3	1	-	0	-
20-24.....	52	12.9	9	6.5	21	16.4	15	16.3	7	-	0	-
25-29.....	30	7.5	7	5.1	13	10.2	6	6.5	4	-	0	-
30-34.....	45	11.2	13	9.4	17	13.3	11	12.0	4	-	0	-
35-39.....	29	7.2	12	8.7	8	6.3	8	8.7	1	-	0	-
40-44.....	32	8.0	11	8.0	8	6.3	11	12.0	2	-	0	-
45-49.....	41	10.2	20	14.5	7	5.5	8	8.7	6	-	0	-
50-54.....	20	5.0	8	5.8	4	3.1	4	4.3	4	-	0	-
55 and over..	63	15.7	39	28.3	7	5.5	8	8.7	9	-	0	-
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	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.

Table 11
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	3,530		2,910		2,579		2,170		2,006	
Unknown.....	947		728		859		625		761	
Total known.....	2,583	100.0	2,182	100.0	1,720	100.0	1,545	100.0	1,245	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	1,359	52.6	1,075	49.3	869	50.5	766	49.6	632	50.8
Spouse, parent, child.....	260	10.1	261	12.0	203	11.8	192	12.4	202	16.2
Spouse ²	123	4.8	115	5.3	89	5.2	83	5.4	85	6.8
Parent, child ³	137	5.3	146	6.7	114	6.6	109	7.1	117	9.4
All other relatives.....	77	3.0	43	2.0	46	2.7	41	2.7	49	3.9
Stranger.....	887	34.3	803	36.8	602	35.0	546	35.3	362	29.1

Relationship of victim to offender (cont.)	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		Percent change 1995-2004 2003-2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394			
Unknown.....	796		900		969		1,109		1,018			
Total known.....	1,278	100.0	1,301	100.0	1,423	100.0	1,293	100.0	1,376	100.0	-46.7	6.4
Friend, acquaintance ¹	601	47.0	596	45.8	663	46.6	601	46.5	667	48.5	-50.9	11.0
Spouse, parent, child.....	207	16.2	183	14.1	204	14.3	198	15.3	174	12.6	-33.1	-12.1
Spouse ²	115	9.0	87	6.7	97	6.8	93	7.2	84	6.1	-31.7	-9.7
Parent, child ³	92	7.2	96	7.4	107	7.5	105	8.1	90	6.5	-34.3	-14.3
All other relatives.....	40	3.1	49	3.8	42	3.0	52	4.0	46	3.3	-40.3	-11.5
Stranger.....	430	33.6	473	36.4	514	36.1	442	34.2	489	35.5	-44.9	10.6

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, 2004
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
		Number						
Total including unknown.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Unknown.....	1,018	914	104	114	465	369	66	4
Total known.....	1,376	1,078	298	308	569	397	101	1
Friend, acquaintance ¹	667	538	129	154	287	186	39	1
Spouse, parent, child.....	174	58	116	67	54	38	15	0
Spouse ²	84	11	73	35	30	11	8	0
Parent, child ³	90	47	43	32	24	27	7	0
All other relatives.....	46	31	15	11	7	18	10	0
Stranger.....	489	451	38	76	221	155	37	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 ¹	48.5	49.9	43.3	50.0	50.4	46.9	38.6	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	12.6	5.4	38.9	21.8	9.5	9.6	14.9	-
Spouse ²	6.1	1.0	24.5	11.4	5.3	2.8	7.9	-
Parent, child ³	6.5	4.4	14.4	10.4	4.2	6.8	6.9	-
All other relatives.....	3.3	2.9	5.0	3.6	1.2	4.5	9.9	-
Stranger.....	35.5	41.8	12.8	24.7	38.8	39.0	36.6	-

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

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

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

² Includes "common-law" marriage partner.

³ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.

Table 13
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 Age of Victim by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	2,394	269	1,110	446	569	0
Unknown.....	1,018	87	539	197	195	0
Total known.....	1,376	182	571	249	374	0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	667	75	315	120	157	0
Spouse, parent, child.....	174	51	17	24	82	0
Spouse ²	84	0	11	23	50	0
Parent, child ³	90	51	6	1	32	0
All other relatives.....	46	7	5	4	30	0
Stranger.....	489	49	234	101	105	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ¹	48.5	41.2	55.2	48.2	42.0	-
Spouse, parent, child.....	12.6	28.0	3.0	9.6	21.9	-
Spouse ²	6.1	0.0	1.9	9.2	13.4	-
Parent, child ³	6.5	28.0	1.1	0.4	8.6	-
All other relatives.....	3.3	3.8	0.9	1.6	8.0	-
Stranger.....	35.5	26.9	41.0	40.6	28.1	-

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, 1995-2004
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Statewide total.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394
Alameda.....	196	142	142	107	85	110	108	144	139	117
Alpine.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Butte.....	5	10	8	6	4	8	11	5	9	6
Calaveras.....	3	2	2	2	0	4	2	2	2	3
Colusa.....	1	0	2	1	3	4	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa.....	80	71	63	54	57	56	49	48	74	76
Del Norte.....	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	1
El Dorado.....	4	2	4	7	3	3	5	4	2	2
Fresno.....	105	93	84	57	43	38	61	62	59	69
Glenn.....	0	1	0	3	1	1	0	0	2	0
Humboldt.....	8	3	8	5	12	4	7	12	8	5
Imperial.....	9	13	5	8	2	4	5	3	12	4
Inyo.....	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Kern.....	71	52	55	55	52	37	39	51	46	51
Kings.....	7	10	5	5	1	3	1	4	5	6
Lake.....	5	2	5	6	4	5	1	4	1	1
Lassen.....	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles.....	1,682	1,398	1,176	959	891	1,000	1,070	1,162	1,053	1,038
Madera.....	12	11	6	12	6	10	15	6	7	7
Marin.....	7	2	1	1	2	5	3	4	0	3
Mariposa.....	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1
Mendocino.....	3	5	7	6	7	5	4	4	9	6
Merced.....	11	8	17	17	14	6	5	18	16	16
Modoc.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mono.....	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Monterey.....	26	23	33	27	29	25	26	28	27	33
Napa.....	2	0	2	1	2	3	1	2	2	3
Nevada.....	1	2	0	3	6	1	6	3	2	1
Orange.....	166	111	102	85	92	56	63	77	64	81

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Placer.....	7	5	3	7	1	5	3	0	10	3
Plumas.....	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	2
Riverside.....	133	111	110	104	89	79	93	111	94	93
Sacramento.....	103	93	87	73	82	75	78	83	83	92
San Benito.....	2	0	1	2	1	3	6	1	2	0
San Bernardino...	225	185	146	147	110	145	125	141	163	165
San Diego.....	198	166	125	87	106	97	92	87	129	127
San Francisco.....	99	82	59	58	64	59	62	68	69	88
San Joaquin.....	62	66	73	42	39	39	50	59	58	55
San Luis Obispo..	8	5	5	7	4	3	7	3	7	2
San Mateo.....	35	11	28	23	18	10	18	21	20	26
Santa Barbara.....	11	12	10	11	5	10	12	8	4	7
Santa Clara.....	56	48	62	44	37	34	34	37	48	37
Santa Cruz.....	8	10	4	9	4	9	13	6	13	5
Shasta.....	8	9	7	7	11	3	5	5	5	4
Sierra.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Siskiyou.....	5	2	0	3	0	1	1	4	2	1
Solano.....	27	22	12	14	16	21	10	16	20	19
Sonoma.....	15	17	13	11	8	11	12	16	12	17
Stanislaus.....	32	28	29	25	25	16	34	15	27	42
Sutter.....	2	5	4	1	5	2	5	7	3	3
Tehama.....	5	3	1	5	1	5	3	2	1	3
Trinity.....	1	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	1
Tulare.....	39	22	29	22	24	17	26	29	30	25
Tuolumne.....	0	1	0	0	2	2	1	2	4	2
Ventura.....	26	33	25	24	19	24	19	21	42	33
Yolo.....	9	7	7	8	6	6	4	5	5	5
Yuba.....	4	2	6	6	2	3	3	0	5	5

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Rate per 100,000 population										
Statewide total.....	11.0	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5
Alameda.....	14.5	10.4	10.2	7.5	5.9	7.5	7.3	9.7	9.3	7.8
Alpine.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amador.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butte.....	2.5	5.1	4.0	3.0	2.0	3.9	5.3	2.4	4.2	2.8
Calaveras.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colusa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contra Costa.....	9.2	8.1	7.0	5.9	6.1	5.8	5.0	4.9	7.4	7.5
Del Norte.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Dorado.....	2.8	1.4	2.7	4.7	2.0	1.9	3.1	2.4	1.2	1.2
Fresno.....	13.9	12.1	10.8	7.3	5.4	4.7	7.4	7.4	6.9	7.9
Glenn.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Humboldt.....	6.4	2.4	6.3	4.0	9.5	3.1	5.5	9.4	6.2	3.8
Imperial.....	6.6	9.2	3.5	5.6	1.4	2.7	3.3	2.0	7.8	2.5
Inyo.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kern.....	11.5	8.3	8.7	8.6	8.0	5.5	5.7	7.3	6.4	6.9
Kings.....	6.1	8.6	4.2	4.0	0.8	2.2	0.8	3.0	3.6	4.2
Lake.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lassen.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles.....	18.0	14.9	12.3	9.9	9.1	10.3	11.0	11.7	10.5	10.2
Madera.....	11.3	10.0	5.3	10.5	5.1	7.8	11.5	4.6	5.2	5.0
Marin.....	2.9	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.8	2.0	1.2	1.6	0.0	1.2
Mariposa.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mendocino.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Merced.....	5.5	4.0	8.4	8.3	6.8	2.8	2.3	8.1	6.9	6.7
Modoc.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mono.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey.....	7.2	6.4	8.7	7.0	7.4	6.1	6.4	6.8	6.4	7.8
Napa.....	1.7	0.0	1.7	0.8	1.6	2.4	0.8	1.6	1.5	2.3
Nevada.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orange.....	6.3	4.2	3.8	3.1	3.3	1.9	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.7

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Table 14 - continued
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By County
 Number and Rate per 100,000 Population

County	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Rate per 100,000 population										
Placer.....	3.4	2.4	1.4	3.1	0.4	2.0	1.1	0.0	3.5	1.0
Plumas.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Riverside.....	9.7	8.0	7.7	7.1	5.9	5.0	5.7	6.6	5.3	5.0
Sacramento.....	9.2	8.2	7.6	6.3	6.8	6.0	6.2	6.4	6.2	6.8
San Benito.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
San Bernardino...	14.2	11.6	9.0	8.9	6.6	8.3	7.1	7.8	8.7	8.5
San Diego.....	7.4	6.2	4.5	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.2	3.0	4.3	4.2
San Francisco.....	13.2	10.7	7.6	7.3	8.0	7.5	7.9	8.6	8.8	11.1
San Joaquin.....	11.8	12.4	13.5	7.6	6.9	6.8	8.5	9.7	9.3	8.5
San Luis Obispo..	3.5	2.2	2.1	2.9	1.7	1.2	2.8	1.2	2.7	0.8
San Mateo.....	5.1	1.6	3.9	3.2	2.5	1.4	2.5	2.9	2.8	3.6
Santa Barbara....	2.8	3.0	2.5	2.7	1.2	2.5	3.0	2.0	1.0	1.7
Santa Clara.....	3.5	2.9	3.7	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.8	2.1
Santa Cruz.....	3.3	4.1	1.6	3.6	1.6	3.5	5.0	2.3	5.0	1.9
Shasta.....	5.0	5.6	4.3	4.2	6.7	1.8	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.3
Sierra.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Siskiyou.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solano.....	7.3	5.9	3.2	3.6	4.1	5.2	2.5	3.9	4.8	4.5
Sonoma.....	3.6	4.0	3.0	2.5	1.8	2.4	2.6	3.4	2.5	3.6
Stanislaus.....	7.7	6.7	6.8	5.8	5.7	3.5	7.3	3.1	5.5	8.4
Sutter.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tehama.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trinity.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tulare.....	11.1	6.2	8.1	6.1	6.6	4.5	6.9	7.6	7.6	6.2
Tuolumne.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ventura.....	3.6	4.6	3.4	3.3	2.5	3.1	2.5	2.7	5.3	4.1
Yolo.....	6.0	4.6	4.5	5.1	3.8	3.5	2.3	2.8	2.7	2.7
Yuba.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

Table 15
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Season and Month of Incident

Season and month of incident	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number										
Total including unknown...	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394
Spring.....	806	682	651	517	451	464	528	582	566	616
March.....	272	201	226	197	142	126	159	189	191	204
April.....	255	225	217	156	147	162	176	188	154	199
May.....	279	256	208	164	162	176	193	205	221	213
Summer.....	978	745	678	568	562	597	581	623	652	648
June.....	270	254	212	177	157	205	165	183	197	190
July.....	333	272	232	171	199	185	208	230	233	228
August.....	375	219	234	220	206	207	208	210	222	230
Fall.....	956	699	662	522	516	497	613	638	601	580
September.....	326	256	228	159	171	173	221	253	209	211
October.....	345	212	240	178	174	174	213	181	213	187
November.....	285	231	194	185	171	150	179	204	179	182
Winter.....	790	784	588	563	477	516	479	549	583	550
December.....	281	238	194	207	166	210	168	175	210	193
January.....	279	296	203	199	183	175	171	214	189	197
February.....	230	250	191	157	128	131	140	160	184	160
Percent based on total known										
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Spring.....	22.8	23.4	25.2	23.8	22.5	22.4	24.0	24.3	23.6	25.7
March.....	7.7	6.9	8.8	9.1	7.1	6.1	7.2	7.9	8.0	8.5
April.....	7.2	7.7	8.4	7.2	7.3	7.8	8.0	7.9	6.4	8.3
May.....	7.9	8.8	8.1	7.6	8.1	8.5	8.8	8.6	9.2	8.9
Summer.....	27.7	25.6	26.3	26.2	28.0	28.8	26.4	26.0	27.1	27.1
June.....	7.6	8.7	8.2	8.2	7.8	9.9	7.5	7.7	8.2	7.9
July.....	9.4	9.3	9.0	7.9	9.9	8.9	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.5
August.....	10.6	7.5	9.1	10.1	10.3	10.0	9.5	8.8	9.2	9.6
Fall.....	27.1	24.0	25.7	24.1	25.7	24.0	27.9	26.7	25.0	24.2
September.....	9.2	8.8	8.8	7.3	8.5	8.3	10.0	10.6	8.7	8.8
October.....	9.8	7.3	9.3	8.2	8.7	8.4	9.7	7.6	8.9	7.8
November.....	8.1	7.9	7.5	8.5	8.5	7.2	8.1	8.5	7.5	7.6
Winter.....	22.4	26.9	22.8	25.9	23.8	24.9	21.8	23.0	24.3	23.0
December.....	8.0	8.2	7.5	9.5	8.3	10.1	7.6	7.3	8.7	8.1
January.....	7.9	10.2	7.9	9.2	9.1	8.4	7.8	8.9	7.9	8.2
February.....	6.5	8.6	7.4	7.2	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.7	7.7	6.7

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

Table 16
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 Gender and Race/Ethnic Group of Victim by Day of Incident

Day of incident	Total	Gender		Race/ethnic group				
		Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Black	Other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Unknown.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total known.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Weekday.....	1,518	1,223	295	285	629	499	103	2
Monday.....	313	250	63	68	127	95	22	1
Tuesday.....	280	219	61	58	115	94	13	0
Wednesday.....	280	229	51	46	104	104	26	0
Thursday.....	284	226	58	45	132	88	19	0
Friday.....	361	299	62	68	151	118	23	1
Weekend.....	876	769	107	137	405	267	64	3
Saturday.....	433	384	49	71	191	140	30	1
Sunday.....	443	385	58	66	214	127	34	2
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	63.4	61.4	73.4	67.5	60.8	65.1	61.7	-
Monday.....	13.1	12.6	15.7	16.1	12.3	12.4	13.2	-
Tuesday.....	11.7	11.0	15.2	13.7	11.1	12.3	7.8	-
Wednesday.....	11.7	11.5	12.7	10.9	10.1	13.6	15.6	-
Thursday.....	11.9	11.3	14.4	10.7	12.8	11.5	11.4	-
Friday.....	15.1	15.0	15.4	16.1	14.6	15.4	13.8	-
Weekend.....	36.6	38.6	26.6	32.5	39.2	34.9	38.3	-
Saturday.....	18.1	19.3	12.2	16.8	18.5	18.3	18.0	-
Sunday.....	18.5	19.3	14.4	15.6	20.7	16.6	20.4	-
Average daily number of incidents ¹								
Weekday.....	5.8	4.7	1.1	1.1	2.4	1.9	0.4	0.0
Weekend.....	8.4	7.4	1.0	1.3	3.9	2.6	0.6	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 366 days in 2004; 262 weekdays and 104 weekend days. The average daily number of incidents for weekdays was calculated by dividing weekday totals by 262. The average daily number of incidents for weekends was calculated by dividing weekend totals by 104.

Table 17

HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004

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....	2,394	269	1,110	446	569	0
Unknown.....	0					0
Total known.....	2,394	269	1,110	446	569	0
Weekday.....	1,518	182	659	281	396	0
Monday.....	313	43	131	64	75	0
Tuesday.....	280	26	131	53	70	0
Wednesday.....	280	27	114	60	79	0
Thursday.....	284	36	116	45	87	0
Friday.....	361	50	167	59	85	0
Weekend.....	876	87	451	165	173	0
Saturday.....	433	53	219	81	80	0
Sunday.....	443	34	232	84	93	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Weekday.....	63.4	67.7	59.4	63.0	69.6	-
Monday.....	13.1	16.0	11.8	14.3	13.2	-
Tuesday.....	11.7	9.7	11.8	11.9	12.3	-
Wednesday.....	11.7	10.0	10.3	13.5	13.9	-
Thursday.....	11.9	13.4	10.5	10.1	15.3	-
Friday.....	15.1	18.6	15.0	13.2	14.9	-
Weekend.....	36.6	32.3	40.6	37.0	30.4	-
Saturday.....	18.1	19.7	19.7	18.2	14.1	-
Sunday.....	18.5	12.6	20.9	18.8	16.3	-
Average daily number of incidents ¹						
Weekday.....	5.8	0.7	2.5	1.1	1.5	0.0
Weekend.....	8.4	0.8	4.3	1.6	1.7	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 366 days in 2004; 262 weekdays and 104 weekend days. The average daily number of incidents for weekdays was calculated by dividing weekday totals by 262. The average daily number of incidents for weekends was calculated by dividing weekend totals by 104.

Table 18
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	3,530		2,910		2,579		2,170		2,006	
Unknown.....	0		2		1		2		4	
Total known.....	3,530	100.0	2,908	100.0	2,578	100.0	2,168	100.0	2,002	100.0
Victim's, shared residence...	943	26.7	807	27.8	746	28.9	629	29.0	686	34.3
Victim's residence.....	626	17.7	545	18.7	487	18.9	404	18.6	520	26.0
Shared residence.....	317	9.0	262	9.0	259	10.0	225	10.4	166	8.3
Street, sidewalk.....	1,466	41.5	1,165	40.1	994	38.6	823	38.0	710	35.5
All other.....	1,121	31.8	936	32.2	838	32.5	716	33.0	606	30.3
Hotel, motel.....	27	0.8	35	1.2	17	0.7	26	1.2	28	1.4
Other residence.....	206	5.8	204	7.0	175	6.8	132	6.1	119	5.9
Liquor store.....	7	0.2	4	0.1	5	0.2	4	0.2	5	0.2
Bar.....	57	1.6	39	1.3	29	1.1	32	1.5	35	1.7
Other business.....	110	3.1	104	3.6	90	3.5	84	3.9	54	2.7
Parking lot.....	164	4.6	101	3.5	77	3.0	68	3.1	59	2.9
Vehicle.....	295	8.4	242	8.3	226	8.8	182	8.4	139	6.9
Field, park.....	224	6.3	178	6.1	191	7.4	157	7.2	129	6.4
School.....	6	0.2	5	0.2	5	0.2	9	0.4	5	0.2
Other.....	25	0.7	24	0.8	23	0.9	22	1.0	33	1.6

Location of homicide (cont.)	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		Percent change 1995-2003- 2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	1995- 2004	2003- 2004
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394			
Unknown.....	4		0		2		0		13			
Total known.....	2,070	100.0	2,201	100.0	2,390	100.0	2,402	100.0	2,381	100.0	-32.5	-0.9
Victim's, shared residence...	612	29.6	573	26.0	655	27.4	623	25.9	630	26.5	-33.2	1.1
Victim's residence.....	439	21.2	417	18.9	465	19.5	425	17.7	479	20.1	-23.5	12.7
Shared residence.....	173	8.4	156	7.1	190	7.9	198	8.2	151	6.3	-52.4	-23.7
Street, sidewalk.....	779	37.6	845	38.4	970	40.6	909	37.8	1,046	43.9	-28.6	15.1
All other.....	679	32.8	783	35.6	765	32.0	870	36.2	705	29.6	-37.1	-19.0
Hotel, motel.....	23	1.1	28	1.3	26	1.1	26	1.1	20	0.8	-	-
Other residence.....	162	7.8	173	7.9	147	6.2	173	7.2	146	6.1	-29.1	-15.6
Liquor store.....	4	0.2	7	0.3	4	0.2	6	0.2	9	0.4	-	-
Bar.....	37	1.8	44	2.0	40	1.7	38	1.6	35	1.5	-38.6	-
Other business.....	76	3.7	61	2.8	61	2.6	75	3.1	47	2.0	-57.3	-37.3
Parking lot.....	72	3.5	75	3.4	87	3.6	98	4.1	74	3.1	-54.9	-24.5
Vehicle.....	156	7.5	196	8.9	228	9.5	274	11.4	240	10.1	-18.6	-12.4
Field, park.....	120	5.8	167	7.6	134	5.6	147	6.1	102	4.3	-54.5	-30.6
School.....	2	0.1	3	0.1	1	0.0	3	0.1	4	0.2	-	-
Other.....	27	1.3	29	1.3	37	1.5	30	1.2	28	1.2	-	-

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, 2004
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.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Unknown.....	13	8	5	3	8	2	0	0
Total known.....	2,381	1,984	397	419	1,026	764	167	5
Victim's, shared residence...	630	394	236	209	216	138	67	0
Victim's residence.....	479	326	153	144	175	112	48	0
Shared residence.....	151	68	83	65	41	26	19	0
Street, sidewalk.....	1,046	985	61	95	488	425	36	2
All other.....	705	605	100	115	322	201	64	3
Hotel, motel.....	20	9	11	9	5	6	0	0
Other residence.....	146	123	23	29	58	48	10	1
Liquor store.....	9	9	0	1	2	2	4	0
Bar.....	35	33	2	7	21	3	4	0
Other business.....	47	44	3	4	23	8	12	0
Parking lot.....	74	71	3	8	34	30	2	0
Vehicle.....	240	214	26	18	125	78	18	1
Field, park.....	102	78	24	29	36	22	14	1
School.....	4	4	0	1	2	1	0	0
Other.....	28	20	8	9	16	3	0	0
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...	26.5	19.9	59.4	49.9	21.1	18.1	40.1	-
Victim's residence.....	20.1	16.4	38.5	34.4	17.1	14.7	28.7	-
Shared residence.....	6.3	3.4	20.9	15.5	4.0	3.4	11.4	-
Street, sidewalk.....	43.9	49.6	15.4	22.7	47.6	55.6	21.6	-
All other.....	29.6	30.5	25.2	27.4	31.4	26.3	38.3	-
Hotel, motel.....	0.8	0.5	2.8	2.1	0.5	0.8	0.0	-
Other residence.....	6.1	6.2	5.8	6.9	5.7	6.3	6.0	-
Liquor store.....	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	2.4	-
Bar.....	1.5	1.7	0.5	1.7	2.0	0.4	2.4	-
Other business.....	2.0	2.2	0.8	1.0	2.2	1.0	7.2	-
Parking lot.....	3.1	3.6	0.8	1.9	3.3	3.9	1.2	-
Vehicle.....	10.1	10.8	6.5	4.3	12.2	10.2	10.8	-
Field, park.....	4.3	3.9	6.0	6.9	3.5	2.9	8.4	-
School.....	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-
Other.....	1.2	1.0	2.0	2.1	1.6	0.4	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.

Table 20
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 Age of Victim by Location of Homicide

Location of homicide	Total	Under 18	18-29	30-39	40 and over	Unknown
Number						
Total including unknown.....	2,394	269	1,110	446	569	0
Unknown.....	13	1	6	2	4	0
Total known.....	2,381	268	1,104	444	565	0
Victim's, shared residence....	630	93	149	122	266	0
Victim's residence.....	479	58	129	100	192	0
Shared residence.....	151	35	20	22	74	0
Street, sidewalk.....	1,046	117	591	191	147	0
All other.....	705	58	364	131	152	0
Hotel, motel.....	20	1	8	1	10	0
Other residence.....	146	12	77	28	29	0
Liquor store.....	9	0	3	1	5	0
Bar.....	35	3	13	8	11	0
Other business.....	47	4	21	5	17	0
Parking lot.....	74	1	46	15	12	0
Vehicle.....	240	23	140	44	33	0
Field, park.....	102	11	46	20	25	0
School.....	4	1	0	3	0	0
Other.....	28	2	10	6	10	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Victim's, shared residence....	26.5	34.7	13.5	27.5	47.1	-
Victim's residence.....	20.1	21.6	11.7	22.5	34.0	-
Shared residence.....	6.3	13.1	1.8	5.0	13.1	-
Street, sidewalk.....	43.9	43.7	53.5	43.0	26.0	-
All other.....	29.6	21.6	33.0	29.5	26.9	-
Hotel, motel.....	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.2	1.8	-
Other residence.....	6.1	4.5	7.0	6.3	5.1	-
Liquor store.....	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.9	-
Bar.....	1.5	1.1	1.2	1.8	1.9	-
Other business.....	2.0	1.5	1.9	1.1	3.0	-
Parking lot.....	3.1	0.4	4.2	3.4	2.1	-
Vehicle.....	10.1	8.6	12.7	9.9	5.8	-
Field, park.....	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.4	-
School.....	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.7	0.0	-
Other.....	1.2	0.7	0.9	1.4	1.8	-

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, 1995-2004
 By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	3,530		2,910		2,579		2,170		2,006	
Unknown.....	29		45		40		36		29	
Total known.....	3,501	100.0	2,865	100.0	2,539	100.0	2,134	100.0	1,977	100.0
Firearm.....	2,590	74.0	2,055	71.7	1,835	72.3	1,469	68.8	1,334	67.5
Handgun.....	2,288	65.4	1,866	65.1	1,633	64.3	1,315	61.6	1,152	58.3
All other firearms.....	302	8.6	189	6.6	202	8.0	154	7.2	182	9.2
Rifle.....	140	4.0	95	3.3	115	4.5	89	4.2	62	3.1
Shotgun.....	123	3.5	86	3.0	72	2.8	57	2.7	63	3.2
Other firearm.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Firearm - unknown type..	39	1.1	8	0.3	15	0.6	8	0.4	57	2.9
Nonfirearm.....	911	26.0	810	28.3	704	27.7	665	31.2	643	32.5
Knife ¹	405	11.6	341	11.9	307	12.1	289	13.5	254	12.8
Blunt object ²	156	4.5	147	5.1	108	4.3	117	5.5	134	6.8
Personal weapon ³	165	4.7	156	5.4	148	5.8	112	5.2	106	5.4
All other.....	185	5.3	166	5.8	141	5.6	147	6.9	149	7.5
Rope ⁴	75	2.1	61	2.1	56	2.2	63	3.0	60	3.0
Drugs.....	2	0.1	8	0.3	6	0.2	2	0.1	8	0.4
Other.....	108	3.1	97	3.4	79	3.1	82	3.8	81	4.1

Type of weapon used (cont.)	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		Percent change 1995-2004	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	1995-2004	2004
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394			
Unknown.....	28		28		28		23		12			
Total known.....	2,046	100.0	2,173	100.0	2,364	100.0	2,379	100.0	2,382	100.0	-32.0	0.1
Firearm.....	1,440	70.4	1,568	72.2	1,735	73.4	1,733	72.8	1,730	72.6	-33.2	-0.2
Handgun.....	1,242	60.7	1,341	61.7	1,555	65.8	1,566	65.8	1,462	61.4	-36.1	-6.6
All other firearms.....	198	9.7	227	10.4	180	7.6	167	7.0	268	11.3	-11.3	60.5
Rifle.....	66	3.2	67	3.1	80	3.4	62	2.6	73	3.1	-47.9	17.7
Shotgun.....	55	2.7	68	3.1	60	2.5	53	2.2	69	2.9	-43.9	30.2
Other firearm.....	1	0.0	2	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1	3	0.1	-	-
Firearm - unknown type..	76	3.7	90	4.1	38	1.6	49	2.1	123	5.2	-	-
Nonfirearm.....	606	29.6	605	27.8	629	26.6	646	27.2	652	27.4	-28.4	0.9
Knife.....	285	13.9	298	13.7	274	11.6	258	10.8	282	11.8	-30.4	9.3
Blunt object ²	98	4.8	95	4.4	116	4.9	116	4.9	104	4.4	-33.3	-10.3
Personal weapon ³	111	5.4	103	4.7	118	5.0	138	5.8	148	6.2	-10.3	7.2
All other.....	112	5.5	109	5.0	121	5.1	134	5.6	118	5.0	-36.2	-11.9
Rope ⁴	40	2.0	37	1.7	41	1.7	58	2.4	49	2.1	-34.7	-15.5
Drugs.....	3	0.1	4	0.2	5	0.2	2	0.1	5	0.2	-	-
Other.....	69	3.4	68	3.1	75	3.2	74	3.1	64	2.7	-40.7	-13.5

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.

¹ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

Table 22
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 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.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Unknown.....	12	6	6	5	4	2	1	0
Total known.....	2,382	1,986	396	417	1,030	764	166	5
Firearm.....	1,730	1,550	180	210	786	630	102	2
Handgun.....	1,462	1,324	138	167	694	520	80	1
All other firearms.....	268	226	42	43	92	110	22	1
Rifle.....	73	59	14	11	25	33	4	0
Shotgun.....	69	58	11	14	32	16	7	0
Other firearm.....	3	3	0	0	0	3	0	0
Firearm - unknown type..	123	106	17	18	35	58	11	1
Nonfirearm.....	652	436	216	207	244	134	64	3
Knife ¹	282	214	68	71	125	59	26	1
Blunt object ²	104	76	28	33	39	23	9	0
Personal weapon ³	148	88	60	63	42	31	12	0
All other.....	118	58	60	40	38	21	17	2
Rope ⁴	49	19	30	18	16	8	7	0
Drugs.....	5	2	3	1	1	2	1	0
Other.....	64	37	27	21	21	11	9	2
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Firearm.....	72.6	78.0	45.5	50.4	76.3	82.5	61.4	-
Handgun.....	61.4	66.7	34.8	40.0	67.4	68.1	48.2	-
All other firearms.....	11.3	11.4	10.6	10.3	8.9	14.4	13.3	-
Rifle.....	3.1	3.0	3.5	2.6	2.4	4.3	2.4	-
Shotgun.....	2.9	2.9	2.8	3.4	3.1	2.1	4.2	-
Other firearm.....	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	-
Firearm - unknown type..	5.2	5.3	4.3	4.3	3.4	7.6	6.6	-
Nonfirearm.....	27.4	22.0	54.5	49.6	23.7	17.5	38.6	-
Knife ¹	11.8	10.8	17.2	17.0	12.1	7.7	15.7	-
Blunt object ²	4.4	3.8	7.1	7.9	3.8	3.0	5.4	-
Personal weapon ³	6.2	4.4	15.2	15.1	4.1	4.1	7.2	-
All other.....	5.0	2.9	15.2	9.6	3.7	2.7	10.2	-
Rope ⁴	2.1	1.0	7.6	4.3	1.6	1.0	4.2	-
Drugs.....	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6	-
Other.....	2.7	1.9	6.8	5.0	2.0	1.4	5.4	-

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 Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

Table 23
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
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.....	2,394	269	1,110	446	569	0
Unknown.....	12	2	4	3	3	0
Total known.....	2,382	267	1,106	443	566	0
Firearm.....	1,730	181	940	330	279	0
Handgun.....	1,462	144	810	283	225	0
All other firearms.....	268	37	130	47	54	0
Rifle.....	73	13	29	14	17	0
Shotgun.....	69	4	36	11	18	0
Other firearm.....	3	0	2	1	0	0
Firearm - unknown type..	123	20	63	21	19	0
Nonfirearm.....	652	86	166	113	287	0
Knife ¹	282	19	93	56	114	0
Blunt object ²	104	8	19	20	57	0
Personal weapon ³	148	38	21	16	73	0
All other.....	118	21	33	21	43	0
Rope ⁴	49	3	12	11	23	0
Drugs.....	5	1	3	0	1	0
Other.....	64	17	18	10	19	0
Percent based on total known						
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Firearm.....	72.6	67.8	85.0	74.5	49.3	-
Handgun.....	61.4	53.9	73.2	63.9	39.8	-
All other firearms.....	11.3	13.9	11.8	10.6	9.5	-
Rifle.....	3.1	4.9	2.6	3.2	3.0	-
Shotgun.....	2.9	1.5	3.3	2.5	3.2	-
Other firearm.....	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	-
Firearm - unknown type..	5.2	7.5	5.7	4.7	3.4	-
Nonfirearm.....	27.4	32.2	15.0	25.5	50.7	-
Knife ¹	11.8	7.1	8.4	12.6	20.1	-
Blunt object ²	4.4	3.0	1.7	4.5	10.1	-
Personal weapon ³	6.2	14.2	1.9	3.6	12.9	-
All other.....	5.0	7.9	3.0	4.7	7.6	-
Rope ⁴	2.1	1.1	1.1	2.5	4.1	-
Drugs.....	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	-
Other.....	2.7	6.4	1.6	2.3	3.4	-

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 Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

³ Hands, feet, etc.

⁴ Any instrument used to hang or strangle.

Table 24
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	3,530		2,910		2,579		2,170		2,006	
Unknown.....	595		389		424		336		304	
Total known.....	2,935	100.0	2,521	100.0	2,155	100.0	1,834	100.0	1,702	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary.	385	13.1	320	12.7	240	11.1	206	11.2	157	9.2
Rape.....	14	0.5	11	0.4	12	0.6	9	0.5	16	0.9
Robbery.....	342	11.7	294	11.7	219	10.2	183	10.0	127	7.5
Burglary.....	29	1.0	15	0.6	9	0.4	14	0.8	14	0.8
Argument.....	1,207	41.1	1,070	42.4	928	43.1	857	46.7	710	41.7
Domestic violence ¹	179	6.1	130	5.2	128	5.9	120	6.5	128	7.5
All other argument.....	1,028	35.0	940	37.3	800	37.1	737	40.2	582	34.2
Gang-, drug-related.....	1,059	36.1	784	31.1	704	32.7	512	27.9	487	28.6
Gang-related.....	867	29.5	620	24.6	544	25.2	404	22.0	402	23.6
Drug-related.....	192	6.5	164	6.5	160	7.4	108	5.9	85	5.0
All other.....	284	9.7	347	13.8	283	13.1	259	14.1	348	20.4

Contributing circumstance (cont.)	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	1995-2004	2003-2004
Total including unknown.....	2,074		2,201		2,392		2,402		2,394			
Unknown.....	314		317		370		410		320			
Total known.....	1,760	100.0	1,884	100.0	2,022	100.0	1,992	100.0	2,074	100.0	-29.3	4.1
Rape, robbery, burglary.	206	11.7	149	7.9	179	8.9	161	8.1	145	7.0	-62.3	-9.9
Rape.....	8	0.5	12	0.6	8	0.4	7	0.4	6	0.3	-	-
Robbery.....	186	10.6	133	7.1	163	8.1	137	6.9	128	6.2	-62.6	-6.6
Burglary.....	12	0.7	4	0.2	8	0.4	17	0.9	11	0.5	-	-
Argument.....	726	41.3	793	42.1	779	38.5	836	42.0	886	42.7	-26.6	6.0
Domestic violence ¹	147	8.4	176	9.3	181	9.0	187	9.4	163	7.9	-8.9	-12.8
All other argument.....	579	32.9	617	32.7	598	29.6	649	32.6	723	34.9	-29.7	11.4
Gang-, drug-related.....	581	33.0	726	38.5	816	40.4	772	38.8	786	37.9	-25.8	1.8
Gang-related.....	506	28.8	647	34.3	730	36.1	669	33.6	698	33.7	-19.5	4.3
Drug-related.....	75	4.3	79	4.2	86	4.3	103	5.2	88	4.2	-54.2	-14.6
All other.....	247	14.0	216	11.5	248	12.3	223	11.2	257	12.4	-9.5	15.2

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Table 25
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 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.....	2,394	1,992	402	422	1,034	766	167	5
Unknown.....	320	275	45	49	138	113	19	1
Total known.....	2,074	1,717	357	373	896	653	148	4
Rape, robbery, burglary..	145	121	24	47	43	29	26	0
Rape.....	6	0	6	3	2	1	0	0
Robbery, burglary.....	139	121	18	44	41	28	26	0
Robbery.....	128	115	13	38	39	27	24	0
Burglary.....	11	6	5	6	2	1	2	0
Argument.....	886	660	226	245	327	244	70	0
Domestic violence ¹	163	25	138	71	49	28	15	0
All other argument.....	723	635	88	174	278	216	55	0
Gang-, drug-related.....	786	760	26	37	434	287	27	1
Gang-related.....	698	680	18	23	403	249	23	0
Drug-related.....	88	80	8	14	31	38	4	1
All other.....	257	176	81	44	92	93	25	3
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..	7.0	7.0	6.7	12.6	4.8	4.4	17.6	-
Rape.....	0.3	0.0	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	-
Robbery, burglary.....	6.7	7.0	5.0	11.8	4.6	4.3	17.6	-
Robbery.....	6.2	6.7	3.6	10.2	4.4	4.1	16.2	-
Burglary.....	0.5	0.3	1.4	1.6	0.2	0.2	1.4	-
Argument.....	42.7	38.4	63.3	65.7	36.5	37.4	47.3	-
Domestic violence ¹	7.9	1.5	38.7	19.0	5.5	4.3	10.1	-
All other argument.....	34.9	37.0	24.6	46.6	31.0	33.1	37.2	-
Gang-, drug-related.....	37.9	44.3	7.3	9.9	48.4	44.0	18.2	-
Gang-related.....	33.7	39.6	5.0	6.2	45.0	38.1	15.5	-
Drug-related.....	4.2	4.7	2.2	3.8	3.5	5.8	2.7	-
All other.....	12.4	10.3	22.7	11.8	10.3	14.2	16.9	-

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

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Table 26
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
 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.....	2,394	64	205	1,110	446	292	151	67	59	0
Unknown.....	320	0	17	142	74	47	24	10	6	0
Total known.....	2,074	64	188	968	372	245	127	57	53	0
Rape, robbery, burglary..	145	0	5	43	33	21	18	13	12	0
Rape.....	6	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Robbery.....	128	0	4	39	27	20	18	10	10	0
Burglary.....	11	0	0	2	4	0	0	3	2	0
Argument.....	886	2	40	334	190	171	86	31	32	0
Domestic violence ¹	163	0	4	36	42	43	17	11	10	0
All other argument.....	723	2	36	298	148	128	69	20	22	0
Gang-, drug-related.....	786	1	112	508	120	35	9	1	0	0
Gang-related.....	698	1	112	465	91	23	5	1	0	0
Drug-related.....	88	0	0	43	29	12	4	0	0	0
Child abuse.....	72	58	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other.....	185	3	17	83	29	18	14	12	9	0
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..	7.0	0.0	2.7	4.4	8.9	8.6	14.2	22.8	22.6	-
Rape.....	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
Robbery.....	6.2	0.0	2.1	4.0	7.3	8.2	14.2	17.5	18.9	-
Burglary.....	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	5.3	3.8	-
Argument.....	42.7	3.1	21.3	34.5	51.1	69.8	67.7	54.4	60.4	-
Domestic violence ¹	7.9	0.0	2.1	3.7	11.3	17.6	13.4	19.3	18.9	-
All other argument.....	34.9	3.1	19.1	30.8	39.8	52.2	54.3	35.1	41.5	-
Gang-, drug-related.....	37.9	1.6	59.6	52.5	32.3	14.3	7.1	1.8	0.0	-
Gang-related.....	33.7	1.6	59.6	48.0	24.5	9.4	3.9	1.8	0.0	-
Drug-related.....	4.2	0.0	0.0	4.4	7.8	4.9	3.1	0.0	0.0	-
Child abuse.....	3.5	90.6	7.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other.....	8.9	4.7	9.0	8.6	7.8	7.3	11.0	21.1	17.0	-

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

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

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Table 27
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 2004
Contributing Circumstance by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Rape	Robbery, burglary	Argument ¹	Gang-, drug-related	Child abuse	All other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	2,394	6	139	886	786	72	185	320
Unknown.....	1,018	5	53	172	394	6	89	299
Total known.....	1,376	1	86	714	392	66	96	21
Friend, acquaintance ²	667	0	16	373	227	17	32	2
Spouse ³	84	0	0	83	0	0	1	0
Parent, child ⁴	90	0	0	33	0	47	9	1
All other relatives.....	46	0	3	38	1	2	2	0
Stranger.....	489	1	67	187	164	0	52	18
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	48.5	-	18.6	52.2	57.9	25.8	33.3	-
Spouse ³	6.1	-	0.0	11.6	0.0	0.0	1.0	-
Parent, child ⁴	6.5	-	0.0	4.6	0.0	71.2	9.4	-
All other relatives.....	3.3	-	3.5	5.3	0.3	3.0	2.1	-
Stranger.....	35.5	-	77.9	26.2	41.8	0.0	54.2	-

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, 1995-2004
 Number Reported, Number Cleared, and Clearance Rate

Year(s)	Number of homicides reported	Number of homicides cleared	Clearance rate ¹
2004.....	2,394	1,314	54.9
2003.....	2,402	1,323	55.1
2002.....	2,392	1,362	56.9
2001.....	2,201	1,091	49.6
2000.....	2,074	1,082	52.2
1999.....	2,006	1,200	59.8
1998.....	2,170	1,369	63.1
1997.....	2,579	1,489	57.7
1996.....	2,910	1,743	59.9
1995.....	3,530	1,916	54.3

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. Please see "Appendix II - Criminal Justice Glossary" for a detailed explanation of clearances.

Table 29
**FELONY ARRESTS FOR
 SELECTED VIOLENT OFFENSES, 1995-2004**
 Number, Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homi- cide	Forcible rape	Robbery	Assault
Number					
2004.....	125,263	1,978	2,237	17,864	103,184
2003.....	129,522	1,839	2,456	17,501	107,726
2002.....	130,295	1,864	2,549	16,957	108,925
2001.....	134,398	1,754	2,730	17,167	112,747
2000.....	130,259	1,627	2,702	17,122	108,808
1999.....	134,319	1,770	2,887	18,753	110,909
1998.....	142,498	2,117	3,032	21,507	115,842
1997.....	153,279	2,212	3,108	23,824	124,135
1996.....	149,795	2,535	3,202	26,014	118,044
1995a.....	155,053	2,821	3,199	27,641	121,392
Percent change in number					
2003 to 2004.....	-3.3	7.6	-8.9	2.1	-4.2
2002 to 2003.....	-0.6	-1.3	-3.6	3.2	-1.1
2001 to 2002.....	-3.1	6.3	-6.6	-1.2	-3.4
2000 to 2001.....	3.2	7.8	1.0	0.3	3.6
1999 to 2000.....	-3.0	-8.1	-6.4	-8.7	-1.9
1998 to 1999.....	-5.7	-16.4	-4.8	-12.8	-4.3
1997 to 1998.....	-7.0	-4.3	-2.4	-9.7	-6.7
1996 to 1997.....	2.3	-12.7	-2.9	-8.4	5.2
1995 to 1996.....	-3.4	-10.1	0.1	-5.9	-2.8
1995 to 2004.....	-19.2	-29.9	-30.1	-35.4	-15.0
Rate per 100,000 population at risk ¹					
2004.....	441.7	7.0	7.9	63.0	363.9
2003.....	465.6	6.6	8.8	62.9	387.3
2002.....	477.2	6.8	9.3	62.1	399.0
2001.....	502.5	6.6	10.2	64.2	421.6
2000.....	497.1	6.2	10.3	65.3	415.2
1999.....	522.4	6.9	11.2	72.9	431.4
1998.....	564.1	8.4	12.0	85.1	458.5
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
Percent change in rate					
2003 to 2004.....	-5.1	6.1	-10.2	0.2	-6.0
2002 to 2003.....	-2.4	-2.9	-5.4	1.3	-2.9
2001 to 2002.....	-5.0	3.0	-8.8	-3.3	-5.4
2000 to 2001.....	1.1	6.5	-1.0	-1.7	1.5
1999 to 2000.....	-4.8	-10.1	-8.0	-10.4	-3.8
1998 to 1999.....	-7.4	-17.9	-6.7	-14.3	-5.9
1997 to 1998.....	-5.2	-2.3	-0.8	-8.0	-4.9
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
1995 to 2004.....	-28.4	-37.5	-37.8	-42.7	-24.7

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

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

^a Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

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

Table 30
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1995-2004
 By Gender of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2004.....	1,978	100.0	1,745	88.2	233	11.8
2003.....	1,839	100.0	1,627	88.5	212	11.5
2002.....	1,864	100.0	1,655	88.8	209	11.2
2001.....	1,754	100.0	1,537	87.6	217	12.4
2000.....	1,627	100.0	1,426	87.6	201	12.4
1999.....	1,770	100.0	1,579	89.2	191	10.8
1998.....	2,117	100.0	1,870	88.3	247	11.7
1997.....	2,212	100.0	1,990	90.0	222	10.0
1996.....	2,535	100.0	2,286	90.2	249	9.8
1995a.....	2,821	100.0	2,564	90.9	257	9.1

^a Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

Table 31
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1995-2004
 By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		White		Hispanic		Black		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2004.....	1,978	100.0	409	20.7	932	47.1	476	24.1	161	8.1
2003.....	1,839	100.0	424	23.1	812	44.2	456	24.8	147	8.0
2002.....	1,864	100.0	349	18.7	897	48.1	455	24.4	163	8.7
2001.....	1,754	100.0	400	22.8	832	47.4	406	23.1	116	6.6
2000.....	1,627	100.0	374	23.0	698	42.9	397	24.4	158	9.7
1999.....	1,770	100.0	382	21.6	845	47.7	417	23.6	126	7.1
1998.....	2,117	100.0	484	22.9	987	46.6	470	22.2	176	8.3
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
1995a.....	2,821	100.0	580	20.6	1,284	45.5	743	26.3	214	7.6

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

^a Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

Table 32
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 1995-2004
 By Age of Arrestee

Year(s)	Total		17 and younger		18-29		30-39		40 and older	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2004.....	1,978	100.0	185	9.4	1,143	57.8	313	15.8	337	17.0
2003.....	1,839	100.0	167	9.1	1,077	58.6	326	17.7	269	14.6
2002.....	1,864	100.0	215	11.5	1,097	58.9	293	15.7	259	13.9
2001.....	1,754	100.0	194	11.1	1,011	57.6	291	16.6	258	14.7
2000.....	1,627	100.0	160	9.8	913	56.1	299	18.4	255	15.7
1999.....	1,770	100.0	182	10.3	1,037	58.6	317	17.9	234	13.2
1998.....	2,117	100.0	308	14.5	1,244	58.8	302	14.3	263	12.4
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
1995a.....	2,821	100.0	521	18.5	1,570	55.7	462	16.4	268	9.5

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

^a Includes estimated annual data for the Bakersfield Police Department and the Oakland Police Department.

Table 33
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
 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.....	1,978	100.0	409	100.0	932	100.0	476	100.0	161	100.0
Gender										
Male.....	1,745	88.2	334	81.7	843	90.5	426	89.5	142	88.2
Female.....	233	11.8	75	18.3	89	9.5	50	10.5	19	11.8
Age										
Under 18.....	185	9.4	16	3.9	112	12.0	47	9.9	10	6.2
18-29.....	1,143	57.8	145	35.5	614	65.9	281	59.0	103	64.0
30-39.....	313	15.8	91	22.2	128	13.7	73	15.3	21	13.0
40 and over.....	337	17.0	157	38.4	78	8.4	75	15.8	27	16.8

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

Table 34
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2004
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.....	1,978	100.0	409	100.0	932	100.0	476	100.0	161	100.0
Under 18.....	185	9.4	16	3.9	112	12.0	47	9.9	10	6.2
18-19.....	289	14.6	30	7.3	148	15.9	75	15.8	36	22.4
20-24.....	529	26.7	66	16.1	280	30.0	133	27.9	50	31.1
25-29.....	325	16.4	49	12.0	186	20.0	73	15.3	17	10.6
30-34.....	172	8.7	38	9.3	78	8.4	42	8.8	14	8.7
35-39.....	141	7.1	53	13.0	50	5.4	31	6.5	7	4.3
40-44.....	110	5.6	49	12.0	31	3.3	19	4.0	11	6.8
45-49.....	92	4.7	39	9.5	21	2.3	25	5.3	7	4.3
50-54.....	55	2.8	21	5.1	13	1.4	15	3.2	6	3.7
55 and over....	80	4.0	48	11.7	13	1.4	16	3.4	3	1.9
Male.....	1,745	100.0	334	100.0	843	100.0	426	100.0	142	100.0
Under 18.....	169	9.7	13	3.9	102	12.1	45	10.6	9	6.3
18-19.....	271	15.5	27	8.1	139	16.5	71	16.7	34	23.9
20-24.....	482	27.6	50	15.0	264	31.3	122	28.6	46	32.4
25-29.....	285	16.3	38	11.4	163	19.3	68	16.0	16	11.3
30-34.....	142	8.1	29	8.7	70	8.3	33	7.7	10	7.0
35-39.....	115	6.6	41	12.3	41	4.9	28	6.6	5	3.5
40-44.....	90	5.2	39	11.7	25	3.0	17	4.0	9	6.3
45-49.....	74	4.2	33	9.9	17	2.0	19	4.5	5	3.5
50-54.....	46	2.6	21	6.3	10	1.2	9	2.1	6	4.2
55 and over...	71	4.1	43	12.9	12	1.4	14	3.3	2	1.4
Female.....	233	100.0	75	100.0	89	100.0	50	100.0	19	100.0
Under 18.....	16	6.9	3	4.0	10	11.2	2	4.0	1	-
18-19.....	18	7.7	3	4.0	9	10.1	4	8.0	2	-
20-24.....	47	20.2	16	21.3	16	18.0	11	22.0	4	-
25-29.....	40	17.2	11	14.7	23	25.8	5	10.0	1	-
30-34.....	30	12.9	9	12.0	8	9.0	9	18.0	4	-
35-39.....	26	11.2	12	16.0	9	10.1	3	6.0	2	-
40-44.....	20	8.6	10	13.3	6	6.7	2	4.0	2	-
45-49.....	18	7.7	6	8.0	4	4.5	6	12.0	2	-
50-54.....	9	3.9	0	0.0	3	3.4	6	12.0	0	-
55 and over...	9	3.9	5	6.7	1	1.1	2	4.0	1	-

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

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

Table 35
**PERSONS UNDER CALIFORNIA
 SENTENCE OF DEATH, 1978-2004**

Year(s)	Initial sentences	Total persons under sentence of death ^{1,2}
2004.....	12	642
2003.....	22	639
2002.....	17	618
2001.....	25	610
2000.....	33	589
1999.....	42	558
1998.....	32	518
1997.....	40	493
1996.....	40	461
1995.....	38	426
1994.....	21	391
1993.....	34	374
1992.....	40	345
1991.....	26	305
1990.....	33	279
1989.....	33	247
1988.....	34	223
1987.....	25	203
1986.....	21	179
1985.....	16	159
1984.....	27	161
1983.....	35	143
1982.....	39	113
1981.....	39	80
1980.....	23	42
1979.....	20	25
1978.....	7	7

Source: California Appellate Project.

¹ Total persons under sentence of death on December 31 of each year.

Persons with multiple California death sentences are counted once.

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

Table 36
PERSONS SENTENCED TO DEATH, 2004
 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.....	12	11	1	6	2	3	1	1	1	1	4	3	2
Imperial.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kern.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles.....	4	3	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	2	1	0
Orange.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Riverside.....	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
San Diego.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Tulare.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	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 KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 1995-2004
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
2004.....	36,590,814	2,394	6.5	73,685	4	5.4
2003.....	35,934,000	2,402	6.7	75,336	6	8.0
2002.....	35,301,000	2,392	6.8	75,612	4	5.3
2001.....	34,758,000	2,201	6.3	72,119	6	8.3
2000.....	34,480,000	2,074	6.0	69,029	2	2.9
1999.....	34,036,000	2,006	5.9	69,363	4	5.8
1998.....	33,494,000	2,170	6.5	67,035	7	10.4
1997.....	32,957,000	2,579	7.8	65,416	7	10.7
1996.....	32,383,000	2,910	9.0	64,008	5	7.8
1995.....	32,063,000	3,530	11.0	62,150	10	16.1

Note: Homicide rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

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

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

Table 38

PEACE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, 2004
By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
Total.....	4	100.0
Responding to Domestic violence call.....	1	-
Investigating suspicious person.....	1	-
Investigation (gang related).....	1	-
Ambush (gang related).....	1	-

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

Table 39
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004**
By Gender, Race/Ethnic Group, and Age of Deceased

Gender, race/ethnic group, and age of deceased	Total		Peace officer justifiable		Citizen justifiable	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total						
Total.....	157	100.0	122	100.0	35	100.0
Gender						
Male.....	153	97.5	118	96.7	35	100.0
Female.....	4	2.5	4	3.3	0	0.0
Race/ethnic group						
White.....	47	29.9	39	32.0	8	22.9
Hispanic.....	69	43.9	55	45.1	14	40.0
Black.....	27	17.2	17	13.9	10	28.6
Other.....	14	8.9	11	9.0	3	8.6
Unknown.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Age						
Under 18.....	1	0.6	0	0.0	1	2.9
18-19.....	13	8.3	8	6.6	5	14.3
20-24.....	44	28.0	36	29.5	8	22.9
25-29.....	27	17.2	19	15.6	8	22.9
30-34.....	25	15.9	22	18.0	3	8.6
35-39.....	12	7.6	9	7.4	3	8.6
40-44.....	13	8.3	12	9.8	1	2.9
45-49.....	8	5.1	5	4.1	3	8.6
50-54.....	6	3.8	5	4.1	1	2.9
55 and over.....	8	5.1	6	4.9	2	5.7
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, 2004**
By Location of Justifiable Homicide

Location of justifiable homicide	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	157	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	122	100.0
Felon's residence.....	21	17.2
Other residence.....	16	13.1
Street, sidewalk.....	49	40.2
Commercial establishment..	11	9.0
Hotel, motel.....	3	2.5
Liquor store.....	0	0.0
Bar.....	2	1.6
Other business.....	6	4.9
All other.....	25	20.5
Parking lot.....	5	4.1
Vehicle.....	14	11.5
Field, park.....	2	1.6
Other.....	4	3.3
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	35	100.0
Citizen's, shared residence..	18	51.4
Citizen's residence.....	15	42.9
Shared residence.....	3	8.6
Other residence.....	1	2.9
Felon's residence.....	1	2.9
Other residence.....	0	0.0
Street, sidewalk.....	6	17.1
Commercial establishment..	7	20.0
Hotel, motel.....	0	0.0
Liquor store.....	1	2.9
Bar.....	2	5.7
Other business.....	4	11.4
All other.....	3	8.6
Parking lot.....	2	5.7
Vehicle.....	0	0.0
Field, park.....	0	0.0
Other.....	1	2.9

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

Table 41
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004**
By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	Number	Percent
Total		
Total.....	157	
Peace officer justifiable		
Total.....	122	100.0
Felon attacked peace officer.....	93	76.2
Felon killed during commission of crime..	18	14.8
Felon resisted arrest.....	3	2.5
All other.....	8	6.6
Felon attacked another peace officer...	6	4.9
Felon attacked citizen.....	1	0.8
Felon attempted flight.....	1	0.8
Citizen justifiable		
Total.....	35	100.0
Felon attacked citizen.....	18	51.4
Felon killed during commission of crime..	17	48.6

Table 42
**JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES BY PEACE OFFICERS
OR PRIVATE CITIZENS, 2004**
By Type of Weapon Used

Type of weapon used	Total		Peace officer justifiable		Citizen justifiable	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total.....	157	100.0	122	100.0	35	100.0
Firearm.....	146	93.0	121	99.2	25	71.4
Handgun.....	131	83.4	107	87.7	24	68.6
Rifle.....	8	5.1	7	5.7	1	2.9
Shotgun.....	2	1.3	2	1.6	0	0.0
Other firearm.....	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Firearm - unknown type..	5	3.2	5	4.1	0	0.0
Nonfirearm.....	11	7.0	1	0.8	10	28.6
Knife ¹	8	5.1	0	0.0	8	22.9
Blunt object ²	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other.....	3	1.9	1	0.8	2	5.7

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

¹ Any instrument used to cut or stab.

² Club, etc.

Table 43
POPULATION ESTIMATES, 1952-2004

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

Note: Population data by age are not available prior to 1960.

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

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

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

APPENDICES

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 respective population; the result is multiplied by 100,000. For example, in 2004 there were 1,978 homicide arrests. The total population was 36,590,814 and the total population at risk (10-69 years of age) was 28,357,204.

$$\frac{1,978}{36,590,814} = 0.000054057 \times 100,000 = 5.4 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ population}$$

$$\frac{1,978}{28,357,204} = 0.000069752 \times 100,000 = 7.0 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ population at risk}$$

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 2004 there were 1,314 homicides cleared and 2,394 homicides reported. This equals a homicide clearance rate of 54.9 percent.

$$\frac{1,314}{2,394} = 0.548872180 \times 100 = 54.9 \text{ percent}$$

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 2004 there were 2,394 homicides in California and the population was 36,590,814. This equals a homicide crime rate of 6.5 per 100,000 general population.

$$\frac{2,394}{36,590,814} = 0.000065426 \times 100,000 = 6.5 \text{ per } 100,000 \text{ population}$$

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 2004 the homicide crime rate was 6.5. In 1995 the homicide crime rate was 11.0. The percent change in rate from 1995 to 2004 is a 40.9 percent decrease.

$$\frac{6.5 - 11.0}{11.0} = -0.409090909 \times 100 = -40.9 \text{ percent}$$

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).

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

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

APPENDIX II

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 page) 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 trial 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.

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

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

CRIME RATE: the number of reported crimes per 100,000 general population. See "Computational Formulas" (preceding page) 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.

EXCEPTIONAL MEANS: 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.

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 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.

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.

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."

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