

MURDER

DEFINITION

Murder is the unlawful killing of a human being with malice aforethought. Justifiable homicides are not included.

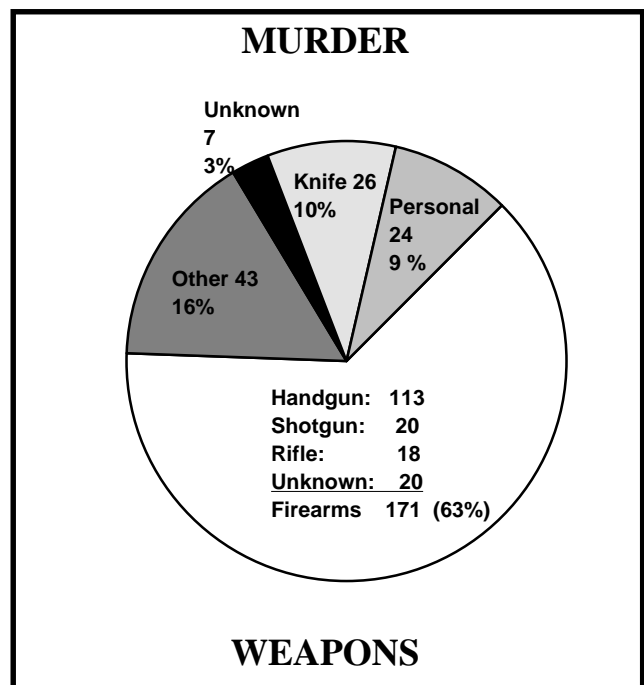
NUMBER REPORTED	CLEARANCES	RATE
271	200	73.80%

Murder is the most serious of all Part I crimes. The clearance rate is the highest of all Part I crimes, at 73.80%. Although some murders are difficult to solve, the intensity of police investigations, together with solvability factors, account for the high clearance rate for murder.

**MURDER WAS COMMITTED
EVERY
32 HOURS, 19 MINUTES**

MURDER CIRCUMSTANCES/WEAPONS

CIRCUMSTANCES	
ARGUMENT	80
FELONY INVOLVED	39
LOVER'S QUARREL	12
GANGLAND	5
OTHER	73
UNKNOWN	62
TOTAL	271



These charts depict murder weapons and circumstances as reported by police officers. The unknown category reflects instances where the weapon/circumstances were not known at the time the report was submitted, or were not specified on the report. 63.09% of the victims were killed with a firearm.

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AGE	SEX			RACE			
	MALE	FEMALE	UNK.	WHITE	BLACK	OTHER	UNK.
UNDER 1	6	3	0	6	3	0	0
1-4	2	1	0	2	1	0	0
5-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14	4	2	0	5	1	0	0
15-19	22	7	0	17	12	0	0
20-24	18	11	0	19	10	0	0
25-29	21	16	0	27	10	0	0
30-34	19	12	0	23	8	0	0
35-39	13	10	0	17	6	0	0
40-44	24	7	0	27	4	0	0
45-49	12	4	0	14	2	0	0
50-54	15	1	0	14	2	0	0
55-59	10	0	0	9	1	0	0
60-64	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
65-69	8	3	0	11	0	0	0
70-74	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
75 AND OVER	8	6	0	10	4	0	0
AGE UNKNOWN	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
TOTAL	186	85	0	206	65	0	0
PERCENT	68.63%	31.37%	0%	76.01%	23.99%	0%	0%

*The above chart shows the sex and race of murder victims broken out by age. A murder victim was most likely to be male (68.63%) and white (76.01%).

MURDER: VICTIMS VS. OFFENDERS

The chart on the right shows the sex of murder victims vs. the sex of the offenders and the race of murder victims vs. the race of the offenders. The offender unknown category reflects murders not cleared by arrest and instances where the offender information was not reported. In cases of multiple victims, the offender information is counted for each victim. In some instances, more than one person is charged with the murder of a single victim. Only one offender is shown for each victim in the above charts for purposes of continuity.

	SEX	
	VICTIM	OFFENDER
MALE	186	158
FEMALE	85	17
UNKNOWN	0	96
TOTAL	271	271
RACE		
WHITE	206	127
BLACK	65	48
ASIAN	0	8
UNKNOWN	0	88
TOTAL	271	271