

Circumstances Causing Murder

The table below indicates that approximately one third of reported murders resulted from arguments, and approximately one in every two murders resulted from a felonious act. The majority of the circumstances resulting in murder were beyond the control of the law enforcement community.

	Circumstances	Victims	Percent
Felony Circumstances	Rape	7	1.2
	Robbery	55	9.5
	Burglary	2	.3
	Motor Vehicle Theft	1	.2
	Arson	9	1.6
	Narcotic Drug Laws	59	10.2
	Other - Not Specified	1	.2
	All Other Felonies	113	19.6
Total Felony Circumstances		247	42.9
Argument Circumstances	Lover's Triangle	1	.2
	Argument Over Money or Property	15	2.6
	Other Arguments	153	26.6
Total Argument Circumstances		169	29.3
Unknown Circumstances	Unknown	160	27.8
Total		576	100.0