

Homicide Situations

The 646 homicide victims were killed in a total of 577 homicide situations involving multiple or single victims and multiple or single known or unknown offenders, as indicated in the previous table.

This year 316 or 54.8 percent of the homicide situations involved a single offender; 192 incidents or 33.3 percent involved unknown offenders; and 69 or 12.0 percent involved multiple offenders.

Age, Race, Sex of Victims

Murder victims were predominately male, accounting for 76.2 percent of the total. Victim analysis by race discloses that 40.4 percent were White and 59.6 percent were Non-White. The largest number of victims were in the 20-24 age range, accounting for 22.9 percent of the total.

Murder Weapons

As outlined in the following table, firearms were predominately the weapons used in murder (74.0 percent). Handguns alone accounted for 422 or 65.3 percent of all murders.