

Homicide Situations

The 595 homicide victims were killed in a total of 551 homicide situations involving multiple or single victims and multiple or single known or unknown offenders, as indicated in the previous table.

This year 339 or 61.5 percent of the homicide situations involved a single offender; 142 incidents or 25.8 percent involved unknown offenders; and 70 or 12.7 percent involved multiple offenders.

Age, Race, Sex of Victims

Murder victims were predominately male, accounting for 78.0 percent of the total. Victim analysis by race discloses that 37.5 percent were White and 62.5 percent were Non-White. The largest number of victims were in the 20-24 age range, accounting for 22.7 percent of the total.

Murder Weapons

As outlined in the following table, firearms were predominately the weapons used in murder (72.3 percent). Handguns alone accounted for 341 or 57.3 percent of all murders.