

## Relationship of Victims to Offenders

The fact that murder is primarily a problem of society, beyond the control of the law enforcement community, is emphasized by the fact that approximately one half of the victims were related to or acquainted with their assailants. This is outlined in the table below.

	Relationship to Offenders	Victims	Percent
<b>Family</b>	<b>Brother</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Common-Law Wife</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Daughter</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1.7</b>
	<b>Father</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Husband</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1.4</b>
	<b>In-law</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.5</b>
	<b>Mother</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.5</b>
	<b>Other Family</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.9</b>
	<b>Sister</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.2</b>
	<b>Son</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.1</b>
	<b>Stepdaughter</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.2</b>
	<b>Stepfather</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Wife</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2.6</b>
<b>Total Family</b>		<b>66</b>	<b>10.2</b>
<b>Known to Victim</b>	<b>Acquaintance</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>11.6</b>
	<b>Boyfriend</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.1</b>
	<b>Ex-Wife</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Friend</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2.0</b>
	<b>Girlfriend</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3.3</b>
	<b>Homosexual Relationship</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.2</b>
	<b>Neighbor</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.3</b>
	<b>Other - Known to Victim</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>13.2</b>
<b>Total Known to Victim</b>		<b>206</b>	<b>32.0</b>
<b>Stranger</b>	<b>Stranger</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>Unknown</b>	<b>Unknown Relationship</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>50.5</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>644</b>	<b>100.0</b>