

## **Summary**

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There were 698 murder offenses reported to Pennsylvania police departments this year, an average of 2 each day, or one every 12 hours and 33 minutes. This is a decrease of 4.6 percent from the 732 offenses reported last year. Murder comprised .2 percent of the Crime Index and 1.4 percent of the Violent Crime Index. The murder rate was 5.6.