

Homicide Situations

The 706 homicide victims were killed in a total of 673 homicide situations involving multiple or single victims and multiple or single known or unknown offenders, as indicated in the previous table.

In 2012, 399 or 59.3 percent of the homicide incidents involved a single offender; 196 incidents or 29.1 percent involved unknown offenders; and 77 or 11.4 percent involved multiple offenders.

Age, Race, Sex of Victims

Murder victims were predominately male, accounting for 81.3 percent of the total. Victim analysis by race reveals that 35.8 percent were White and 64.2 percent were Non-White. The largest number of victims were in the 20-24 age range, accounting for 22.2 percent of the total.

Murder Weapons

As outlined in the following table, firearms were the predominate weapons used in murder (76.3 percent). Handguns alone accounted for 427 or 60.5 percent of the weapons used in all murders.