

Table 325. Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted: 1990 to 2005

[Contains statistics on felonious and accidental deaths of duly sworn local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement officers. For composition of regions, see map, inside front cover]

Item	1990	1995	1999	2000	2001 ¹	2002	2003	2004	2005
OFFICERS KILLED									
Total killed	132	133	107	134	218	131	133	139	122
Northeast	13	16	11	13	79	10	13	18	12
Midwest	20	19	17	32	26	22	20	25	23
South	68	63	56	67	68	64	66	66	58
West	23	32	22	19	38	28	31	24	24
Puerto Rico	8	2	1	3	7	7	3	5	5
Island areas, foreign countries	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Total feloniously killed	65	74	42	51	142	56	52	57	55
Firearms	56	63	41	47	61	51	45	54	50
Handgun	47	44	25	33	46	38	34	36	42
Rifle	8	14	11	10	11	10	10	13	3
Shotgun	1	5	5	4	4	3	1	5	5
Blunt instrument	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Bomb	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Knife/cutting instrument	3	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-
Personal weapons ³	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Vehicle	1	2	1	3	7	4	6	2	5
Other	3	-	-	-	72	-	-	-	-
Total accidentally killed	67	59	65	83	76	75	81	82	67
OFFICERS ASSAULTED									
Population covered(1,000) ²	197,426	191,759	207,124	204,599	213,645	219,425	225,770	226,273	221,016
Number of—									
Reporting agencies	9,343	8,503	9,832	8,940	9,773	10,164	10,539	10,589	10,032
Officers employed	410,131	428,379	462,782	452,531	471,096	491,009	501,738	501,462	485,048
Total assaulted	72,091	57,762	55,971	58,398	57,463	59,526	58,600	59,692	57,546
Firearm	3,651	2,354	1,772	1,749	1,841	1,927	1,879	2,114	2,145
Knife/cutting instrument	1,647	1,356	999	1,015	1,168	1,061	1,084	1,123	1,059
Other dangerous weapon	7,423	6,414	7,560	8,132	8,233	8,526	8,180	8,645	8,314
Personal weapons ³	59,370	47,638	45,640	47,502	46,221	48,012	47,457	47,810	46,028

- Represents zero. ¹ The 72 felonious deaths that resulted from the events of September 11, 2001, are included in this table. ² Represents the number of persons covered by agencies shown. ³ Includes hands, fists, feet, etc.