

Table 321. Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted: 1990 to 2007

[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	2000	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
OFFICERS KILLED									
Total killed	132	133	134	131	133	139	122	114	140
Northeast	13	16	13	10	13	18	12	12	13
Midwest	20	19	32	22	20	25	23	20	20
South	68	63	67	64	66	66	58	48	77
West	23	32	19	28	31	24	24	31	28
Puerto Rico	8	2	3	7	3	5	5	3	2
Island areas, foreign countries	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Total feloniously killed	65	74	51	56	52	57	55	48	57
Firearms	56	63	47	51	45	54	50	46	55
Handgun	47	44	33	38	34	36	42	36	38
Rifle	8	14	10	10	10	13	3	8	8
Shotgun	1	5	4	3	1	5	5	2	8
Blunt instrument	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Bomb	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Knife/cutting instrument	3	1	1	1	—	1	—	—	—
Personal weapons ¹	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vehicle	1	2	3	4	6	2	5	2	2
Other	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total accidentally killed	67	59	83	75	81	82	67	66	83
OFFICERS ASSAULTED									
Population covered (1,000) ²	197,426	191,759	204,599	219,425	225,770	226,273	222,874	227,361	231,764
Number of—									
Reporting agencies	9,343	8,503	8,940	10,164	10,539	10,589	10,119	10,596	10,856
Officers employed	410,131	428,379	452,531	491,009	501,738	501,462	489,393	504,147	517,875
Total assaulted	72,091	57,762	58,398	59,526	58,600	59,692	57,820	59,396	59,201
Firearm	3,651	2,354	1,749	1,927	1,879	2,114	2,157	2,290	2,176
Knife/cutting instrument	1,647	1,356	1,015	1,061	1,084	1,123	1,059	1,055	1,023
Other dangerous weapon	7,423	6,414	8,132	8,526	8,180	8,645	8,379	8,611	8,507
Personal weapons ¹	59,370	47,638	47,502	48,012	47,457	47,810	46,225	47,440	47,495

— Represents zero. ¹ Includes hands, fists, feet, etc. ² Represents the number of persons covered by agencies shown.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, "Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2007"; <<http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2007/index.html>>.