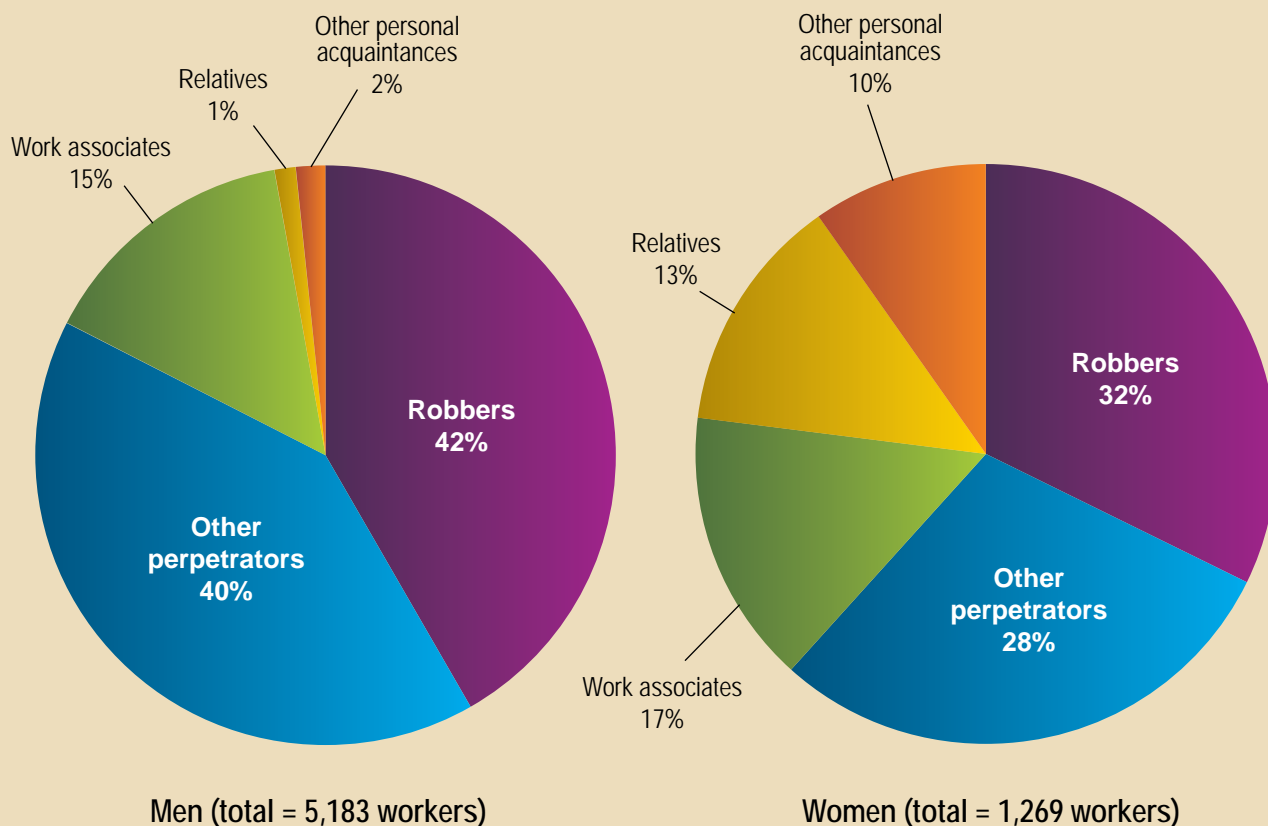




For the 10 years from 1997 to 2006, there were a total of 6,452 workplace homicides. In 40 percent of these homicides, the perpetrators were robbers. Another 16 percent resulted from violence between work associates.

When the victims were men, the assailant was a robber in about two-fifths of the cases. The assailant was more likely to be a relative or personal acquaintance for fatally assaulted women than for fatally assaulted men. Nevertheless, a robber was the assailant in nearly one-third of homicides committed against women.

Perpetrators of workplace homicides, by gender of decedent, 1997–2006



NOTE: Data from 2001 exclude fatalities resulting from the September 11 terrorist attacks.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, 2009.