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# **Criminal Victimization in United States, 1997 Statistical Tables**

*National Crime Victimization Survey*

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\*Victimization rate table - all others are counts or percents.

Table 1. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Number, percent distribution, and rate of victimizations, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of all victimizations	Rate per 1,000 persons or households
<b>All crimes</b>	<b>34,787,730</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	...
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>25.8 %</b>	<b>40.8</b>
Crimes of violence	8,614,070	24.8	39.2
Completed violence	2,679,080	7.7	12.2
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	17.1	27.0
Rape/Sexual assault	311,110	0.9	1.4
Rape/Attempted rape	193,790	0.6	0.9
Rape	115,120	0.3	0.5
Attempted rape/a	78,670	0.2	0.4
Sexual assault/b	117,310	0.3	0.5
Robbery	943,940	2.7	4.3
Completed/property taken	606,660	1.7	2.8
With injury	243,220	0.7	1.1
Without injury	363,440	1.0	1.7
Attempted to take property	337,280	1.0	1.5
With injury	72,680	0.2	0.3
Without injury	264,610	0.8	1.2
Assault	7,359,030	21.2	33.5
Aggravated	1,883,110	5.4	8.6
With injury	594,900	1.7	2.7
Threatened with weapon	1,288,210	3.7	5.9
Simple	5,475,920	15.7	24.9
With minor injury	1,257,530	3.6	5.7
Without injury	4,218,390	12.1	19.2
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	1.0	1.6
Completed purse snatching	54,980	0.2	0.3
Attempted purse snatching	15,820 *	0.0 *	0.1
Pocket picking	285,730	0.8	1.3
Total population age 12 and over	219,839,110	...	...
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>74.2 %</b>	<b>248.3</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	13.3	44.6
Completed	3,892,970	11.2	37.4
Forcible entry	1,497,370	4.3	14.4
Unlawful entry without force	2,395,600	6.9	23.0
Attempted forcible entry	741,960	2.1	7.1
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	4.1	13.8
Completed	1,006,960	2.9	9.7
Attempted	426,410	1.2	4.1
Theft	19,748,840	56.8	189.9
Completed	18,960,020	54.5	182.3
Less than \$50	7,218,020	20.7	69.4
\$50 - \$249	6,680,070	19.2	64.2
\$250 or more	3,955,010	11.4	38.0
Amount not available	1,106,910	3.2	10.6
Attempted	788,820	2.3	7.6
Total number of households	103,988,670	...	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Percent distribution is based on unrounded figures.

... Not applicable.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 2. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and gender of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over					
	Both gender		Male		Female	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>5,044,250</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>3,926,350</b>	<b>34.7</b>
Crimes of violence	8,614,070	39.2	4,877,390	45.8	3,736,680	33.0
Completed violence	2,679,080	12.2	1,428,930	13.4	1,250,150	11.0
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	27.0	3,448,460	32.3	2,486,540	22.0
Rape/Sexual assault	311,110	1.4	31,160	0.3	279,950	2.5
Rape/Attempted rape	193,790	0.9	18,360 *	0.2 *	175,430	1.5
Rape	115,120	0.5	13,800 *	0.1 *	101,320	0.9
Attempted rape/a	78,670	0.4	4,560 *	0.0 *	74,110	0.7
Sexual assault/b	117,310	0.5	12,790 *	0.1 *	104,520	0.9
Robbery	943,940	4.3	650,820	6.1	293,120	2.6
Completed/property taken	606,660	2.8	411,190	3.9	195,460	1.7
With injury	243,220	1.1	168,020	1.6	75,200	0.7
Without injury	363,440	1.7	243,170	2.3	120,260	1.1
Attempted to take property	337,280	1.5	239,630	2.2	97,650	0.9
With injury	72,680	0.3	52,690	0.5	19,990 *	0.2 *
Without injury	264,610	1.2	186,940	1.8	77,670	0.7
Assault	7,359,030	33.5	4,195,410	39.4	3,163,620	27.9
Aggravated	1,883,110	8.6	1,163,250	10.9	719,860	6.4
With injury	594,900	2.7	360,500	3.4	234,390	2.1
Threatened with weapon	1,288,210	5.9	802,750	7.5	485,460	4.3
Simple	5,475,920	24.9	3,032,160	28.4	2,443,760	21.6
With minor injury	1,257,530	5.7	632,380	5.9	625,150	5.5
Without injury	4,218,390	19.2	2,399,770	22.5	1,818,610	16.1
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	1.6	166,860	1.6	189,670	1.7
Population age 12 and over	219,839,110	...	106,598,660	...	113,240,440	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

... Not applicable

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 3. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and age of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group						
	12-15	16-19	20-24	25-34	35-49	50-64	65 and over
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>90.7</b>	<b>99.7</b>	<b>69.6</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>33.8</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>5.7</b>
Crimes of violence	87.9	96.2	67.8	46.9	32.2	14.6	4.4
Completed violence	30.2	30.7	25.5	13.7	9.1	3.2	1.4
Attempted/threatened violence	57.7	65.6	42.2	33.1	23.1	11.3	3.0
Rape/Sexual assault	2.5	5.6	2.4	2.3	0.6	0.2 *	0.2 *
Rape/Attempted rape	2.3	3.4	1.8	1.2	0.3 *	0.1 *	0.1 *
Rape	1.5 *	1.6 *	1.5 *	0.6 *	0.2 *	0.1 *	0.0 *
Attempted rape/a	0.7 *	1.9	0.3 *	0.6 *	0.1 *	0.1 *	0.1 *
Sexual assault/b	0.3 *	2.2	0.6 *	1.1	0.3 *	0.1 *	0.1 *
Robbery	8.2	10.2	7.4	4.7	3.7	2.2	0.9
Completed/property taken	5.8	6.4	5.1	2.7	2.3	1.5	0.7 *
With injury	2.5	2.4	2.4	0.9	0.9	0.6 *	0.3 *
Without injury	3.2	4.1	2.7	1.8	1.3	0.9	0.5 *
Attempted to take property	2.4	3.8	2.3	2.0	1.5	0.6 *	0.1 *
With injury	0.3 *	0.3 *	0.7 *	0.5 *	0.4 *	0.2 *	0.0 *
Without injury	2.1	3.4	1.6	1.5	1.1	0.4 *	0.1 *
Assault	77.1	80.4	57.9	39.9	27.9	12.2	3.4
Aggravated	15.1	24.6	17.0	9.5	7.4	2.8	0.6 *
With injury	6.1	7.1	6.1	3.1	2.2	0.5 *	0.2 *
Threatened with weapon	9.0	17.4	10.9	6.5	5.3	2.3	0.4 *
Simple	62.0	55.8	40.9	30.4	20.4	9.4	2.8
With minor injury	16.6	13.5	12.2	6.4	4.3	1.1	0.4 *
Without injury	45.4	42.4	28.7	23.9	16.2	8.3	2.4
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	2.8	3.5	1.8	1.1	1.6	1.1	1.2
Population in each age group	15,701,280	15,244,130	17,648,850	40,162,600	62,604,840	36,486,320	31,991,100

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 4. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by gender and age of victims and type of crime**

Gender and age	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group						
		Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a	Robbery		
						Total	With Injury	Without Injury
<b>Male</b>								
12-15	8,056,520	105.9	35.8	70.1	0.5 *	12.4	4.2	8.1
16-19	7,817,590	105.2	34.1	71.1	1.2 *	14.0	3.1 *	10.9
20-24	8,834,180	76.3	27.6	48.8	0.4 *	10.1	4.7	5.4
25-34	19,916,480	49.4	13.2	36.2	0.4 *	6.6	1.3 *	5.4
35-49	30,954,780	36.7	8.8	27.9	0.2 *	4.7	1.9	2.7
50-64	17,567,060	19.3	4.2	15.0	0.1 *	3.2	1.7	1.5 *
65 and over	13,452,050	5.2	1.4 *	3.7	0.0 *	1.4 *	0.5 *	1.0 *
<b>Female</b>								
12-15	7,644,760	68.9	24.3	44.6	4.6	3.8	1.4 *	2.4 *
16-19	7,426,540	86.7	27.0	59.7	10.3	6.2	2.2 *	4.0
20-24	8,814,680	59.2	23.5	35.7	4.5	4.8	1.6 *	3.2
25-34	20,246,110	44.4	14.3	30.1	4.1	2.8	1.4	1.4
35-49	31,650,050	27.8	9.4	18.4	1.1	2.8	0.7 *	2.1
50-64	18,919,250	10.2	2.3	7.9	0.3 *	1.2 *	0.1 *	1.1 *
65 and over	18,539,050	3.9	1.4 *	2.4	0.3 *	0.4 *	0.1 *	0.3 *

Gender and age	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group			
	Total	Assault		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
		Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>Male</b>				
12-15	93.0	18.2	74.8	4.3
16-19	90.1	27.6	62.5	3.8
20-24	65.9	22.8	43.1	2.1 *
25-34	42.4	12.1	30.3	1.1 *
35-49	31.9	9.1	22.7	1.4
50-64	15.9	3.8	12.2	0.4 *
65 and over	3.7	0.8 *	3.0	0.9 *
<b>Female</b>				
12-15	60.4	11.8	48.6	1.3 *
16-19	70.3	21.4	48.8	3.3 *
20-24	49.9	11.2	38.7	1.5 *
25-34	37.4	7.0	30.4	1.2 *
35-49	24.0	5.8	18.2	1.8
50-64	8.7	1.9	6.8	1.7
65 and over	3.1	0.5 *	2.6	1.5 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 5. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and race of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over					
	White		Black		Other	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>7,331,440</b>	<b>39.7</b>	<b>1,394,020</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>245,140</b>	<b>28.7</b>
Crimes of violence	7,068,590	38.3	1,306,810	49.0	238,670	28.0
Completed violence	2,113,000	11.4	465,460	17.4	100,620	11.8
Attempted/threatened violence	4,955,590	26.8	841,350	31.5	138,050	16.2
Rape/Sexual assault	257,710	1.4	43,890	1.6	9,510 *	1.1 *
Rape/Attempted rape	168,950	0.9	18,280 *	0.7 *	6,560 *	0.8 *
Rape	96,260	0.5	12,310 *	0.5 *	6,560 *	0.8 *
Attempted rape/a	72,690	0.4	5,980 *	0.2 *	0 *	0.0 *
Sexual assault/b	88,760	0.5	25,610 *	1.0 *	2,950 *	0.3 *
Robbery	703,740	3.8	197,640	7.4	42,560	5.0
Completed/property taken	442,170	2.4	134,000	5.0	30,490	3.6
With injury	183,500	1.0	41,590	1.6	18,130 *	2.1 *
Without injury	258,660	1.4	92,410	3.5	12,360 *	1.4 *
Attempted to take property	261,570	1.4	63,640	2.4	12,070 *	1.4 *
With injury	55,400	0.3	12,360 *	0.5 *	4,920 *	0.6 *
Without injury	206,170	1.1	51,290	1.9	7,150 *	0.8 *
Assault	6,107,140	33.1	1,065,290	39.9	186,600	21.9
Aggravated	1,504,690	8.2	326,640	12.2	51,780	6.1
With injury	456,640	2.5	121,140	4.5	17,110 *	2.0 *
Threatened with weapon	1,048,050	5.7	205,500	7.7	34,670	4.1
Simple	4,602,450	24.9	738,640	27.7	134,820	15.8
With minor injury	1,041,610	5.6	172,410	6.5	43,500	5.1
Without injury	3,560,830	19.3	566,230	21.2	91,320	10.7
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	262,850	1.4	87,200	3.3	6,470 *	0.8 *
Population age 12 and over	184,617,470	...	26,683,380	...	8,538,250	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

...Not applicable

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 6. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and gender and race of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
	Male				Female			
	White		Black		White		Black	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>4,130,490</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>744,620</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>3,200,950</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>649,400</b>	<b>44.7</b>
Crimes of violence	3,995,390	44.3	717,230	59.0	3,073,200	32.6	589,580	40.6
Completed violence	1,114,940	12.4	247,470	20.4	998,060	10.6	218,000	15.0
Attempted/threatened violence	2,880,460	31.9	469,760	38.6	2,075,130	22.0	371,590	25.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	28,390	0.3	2,770 *	0.2 *	229,330	2.4	41,120	2.8
Robbery	476,220	5.3	145,100	11.9	227,510	2.4	52,540	3.6
Completed/property taken	296,470	3.3	95,130	7.8	145,690	1.5	38,860	2.7
With injury	141,300	1.6	17,430 *	1.4 *	42,200	0.4	24,160 *	1.7 *
Without injury	155,170	1.7	77,710	6.4	103,490	1.1	14,700 *	1.0 *
Attempted to take property	179,750	2.0	49,960	4.1	81,820	0.9	13,680 *	0.9 *
With injury	44,070	0.5	5,860 *	0.5 *	11,330 *	0.1 *	6,500 *	0.4 *
Without injury	135,680	1.5	44,110	3.6	70,490	0.7	7,180 *	0.5
Assault	3,490,780	38.7	569,360	46.8	2,616,360	27.7	495,920	34.1
Aggravated	952,360	10.6	179,230	14.7	552,330	5.9	147,410	10.1
With injury	277,870	3.1	69,980	5.8	178,780	1.9	51,170	3.5
Threatened with weapon	674,490	7.5	109,260	9.0	373,560	4.0	96,240	6.6
Simple	2,538,420	28.1	390,130	32.1	2,064,020	21.9	348,520	24.0
With minor injury	518,520	5.7	79,590	6.5	523,100	5.5	92,830	6.4
Without injury	2,019,900	22.4	310,540	25.5	1,540,930	16.3	255,690	17.6
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	135,100	1.5	27,390 *	2.3 *	127,750	1.4	59,810	4.1
Population age 12 and over	90,259,660	...	12,156,280	...	94,357,820	...	14,527,100	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

... Not applicable.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 7. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and ethnicity of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over					
	Total/a		Hispanic		Non-Hispanic	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>964,220</b>	<b>45.6</b>	<b>7,826,650</b>	<b>39.9</b>
Crimes of violence	8,614,070	39.2	912,800	43.1	7,525,530	38.3
Completed violence	2,679,080	12.2	321,200	15.2	2,313,250	11.8
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	27.0	591,600	28.0	5,212,280	26.5
Rape/Sexual assault	311,110	1.4	32,610	1.5	276,080	1.4
Rape/Attempted rape	193,790	0.9	16,230 *	0.8 *	175,140	0.9
Rape	115,120	0.5	11,820 *	0.6 *	103,310	0.5
Attempted rape/b	78,670	0.4	4,420 *	0.2 *	71,840	0.4
Sexual assault/c	117,310	0.5	16,380 *	0.8 *	100,930	0.5
Robbery	943,940	4.3	153,610	7.3	770,100	3.9
Completed/property taken	606,660	2.8	94,810	4.5	505,350	2.6
With injury	243,220	1.1	38,620	1.8	204,600	1.0
Without injury	363,440	1.7	56,190	2.7	300,750	1.5
Attempted to take property	337,280	1.5	58,810	2.8	264,750	1.3
With injury	72,680	0.3	10,450 *	0.5 *	59,470	0.3
Without injury	264,610	1.2	48,360	2.3	205,280	1.0
Assault	7,359,030	33.5	726,580	34.3	6,479,350	33.0
Aggravated	1,883,110	8.6	219,580	10.4	1,630,490	8.3
With injury	594,900	2.7	65,280	3.1	522,490	2.7
Threatened with weapon	1,288,210	5.9	154,300	7.3	1,108,010	5.6
Simple	5,475,920	24.9	507,000	24.0	4,848,850	24.7
With minor injury	1,257,530	5.7	134,660	6.4	1,091,860	5.6
Without injury	4,218,390	19.2	372,340	17.6	3,756,990	19.1
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	1.6	51,420	2.4	301,120	1.5
Population age 12 and over	219,839,110	...	21,163,000	...	196,323,060	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

... Not applicable.

a/Includes data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained, which are not shown separately.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape.

c/Includes threats.

Table 8. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and ethnicity and gender of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over			
	Hispanic		Non-Hispanic	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>50.6</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>32.1</b>
Completed violence	16.4	14.0	13.1	10.6
Attempted violence	34.2	21.9	31.9	21.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.2 *	2.9	0.3	2.4
Robbery	9.9	4.7	5.7	2.3
Completed/property taken	5.5	3.5	3.7	1.5
With injury	2.6 *	1.1 *	1.5	0.6
Without injury	2.9	2.4 *	2.2	0.9
Attempted to take property	4.4	1.2 *	2.0	0.8
With injury	0.8 *	0.2 *	0.4	0.2 *
Without injury	3.6	1.0 *	1.5	0.6
Assault	40.5	28.4	38.9	27.4
Aggravated	12.8	8.0	10.7	6.1
With injury	4.5	1.7 *	3.3	2.1
Threatened with weapon	8.3	6.3	7.4	4.0
Simple	27.7	20.4	28.3	21.3
With minor injury	6.3	6.4	5.8	5.3
Without injury	21.3	14.0	22.4	16.0
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	1.8 *	3.0	1.5	1.6
Total population age 12 and over	10,392,880	10,770,110	95,085,860	101,237,200

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 9. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by race and age of victims and type of crime**

Race and age	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group						
		Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a	Robbery		
						Total	With Injury	Without Injury
<b>White</b>								
12-15	12,391,530	90.1	30.3	59.8	3.0	6.9	2.7	4.3
16-19	12,284,550	93.6	27.2	66.4	4.7	8.4	2.4	6.0
20-24	14,279,340	71.4	27.0	44.4	2.6	8.0	3.3	4.8
25-34	32,968,620	45.0	12.7	32.3	2.4	4.2	1.2	3.0
35-49	52,392,090	32.6	8.9	23.7	0.6	3.5	1.2	2.3
50-64	31,603,920	15.0	3.1	11.9	0.2 *	1.9	0.7 *	1.3
65 and over	28,697,420	4.1	1.2	2.9	0.2 *	0.6 *	0.2 *	0.4 *
<b>Black</b>								
12-15	2,615,570	90.8	31.4	59.4	0.0 *	16.4	4.5 *	12.0
16-19	2,267,220	126.7	53.9	72.8	9.6 *	21.6	4.7 *	16.8
20-24	2,527,260	62.3	24.5	37.8	2.5 *	5.5 *	3.3 *	2.2 *
25-34	5,414,420	57.7	17.9	39.8	2.1 *	7.2	1.1 *	6.1
35-49	7,573,120	33.4	10.8	22.5	0.3 *	4.6	1.1 *	3.5 *
50-64	3,652,920	11.6	3.8 *	7.8	0.6 *	3.2 *	1.7 *	1.5 *
65 and over	2,632,880	6.5 *	2.4 *	4.1 *	0.0 *	2.4 *	1.0 *	1.4 *

Race and age	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group			
	Total	Assault		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
		Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>White</b>				
12-15	80.2	14.6	65.5	3.1
16-19	80.5	22.5	58.0	2.9
20-24	60.8	17.2	43.6	1.9 *
25-34	38.3	8.8	29.5	1.0
35-49	28.4	7.7	20.7	1.3
50-64	12.9	3.0	9.9	0.9 *
65 and over	3.3	0.5 *	2.8	1.1
<b>Black</b>				
12-15	74.3	19.5	54.8	1.4 *
16-19	95.6	39.9	55.7	8.3 *
20-24	54.3	19.5	34.9	2.0 *
25-34	48.4	14.2	34.2	2.0 *
35-49	28.5	6.5	22.0	3.6 *
50-64	7.8	1.9 *	5.9 *	3.3 *
65 and over	4.1 *	1.4 *	2.8 *	3.6 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 10. Violent crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates for persons age 12 and over, by race, gender, and age of victims and type of crime**

Race, gender, and age	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group							
		Crimes of violence/a		Robbery		Aggravated assault		Simple assault	
		Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>White</b>									
Male									
12-15	6,376,820	665,540	104.4	68,000	10.7	108,280	17.0	485,250	76.1
16-19	6,324,660	658,200	104.1	75,490	11.9	174,280	27.6	399,420	63.2
20-24	7,271,400	611,250	84.1	76,500	10.5	184,310	25.3	347,170	47.7
25-34	16,596,980	769,690	46.4	99,530	6.0	182,650	11.0	482,660	29.1
35-49	26,195,640	945,570	36.1	110,200	4.2	234,230	8.9	596,240	22.8
50-64	15,347,430	293,130	19.1	37,860	2.5	62,070	4.0	190,860	12.4
65 and over	12,146,730	52,010	4.3	8,640	0.7	6,540	0.5	36,830	3.0
Female									
12-15	6,014,710	450,920	75.0	17,820	3.0	73,040	12.1	326,620	54.3
16-19	5,959,890	492,170	82.6	28,250	4.7	101,630	17.1	313,010	52.5
20-24	7,007,940	408,200	58.2	38,040	5.4	61,030	8.7	275,930	39.4
25-34	16,371,640	712,460	43.5	39,160	2.4	107,390	6.6	491,520	30.0
35-49	26,196,450	762,070	29.1	73,820	2.8	170,050	6.5	489,180	18.7
50-64	16,256,490	181,490	11.2	22,300	1.4	31,940	2.0	123,120	7.6
65 and over	16,550,690	65,900	4.0	8,130	0.5	7,260	0.4	44,660	2.7
<b>Black</b>									
Male									
12-15	1,345,690	168,490	125.2	31,630	23.5	33,520	24.9	103,340	76.8
16-19	1,146,810	143,070	124.8	31,140	27.2	35,270	30.8	76,670	66.9
20-24	1,111,940	48,880	44.0	9,870	8.9	13,900	12.5	25,110	22.6
25-34	2,439,960	159,060	65.2	30,000	12.3	52,250	21.4	74,040	30.3
35-49	3,478,080	153,970	44.3	24,530	7.1	38,390	11.0	91,050	26.2
50-64	1,609,930	30,810	19.1	11,720	7.3	2,330	1.4	16,760	10.4
65 and over	1,023,860	12,930	12.6	6,200	6.1	3,580	3.5	3,150	3.1
Female									
12-15	1,269,880	68,900	54.3	11,370	9.0	17,490	13.8	40,050	31.5
16-19	1,120,410	144,150	128.7	17,740	15.8	55,180	49.3	49,550	44.2
20-24	1,415,320	108,580	76.7	3,930	2.8	35,310	25.0	63,000	44.5
25-34	2,974,450	153,480	51.6	9,240	3.1	24,410	8.2	111,170	37.4
35-49	4,095,040	98,760	24.1	10,260	2.5	10,560	2.6	75,820	18.5
50-64	2,042,990	11,550	5.7	0	0.0	4,450	2.2	4,770	2.3
65 and over	1,609,010	4,160	2.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	4,160	2.6

Note: Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 11. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and marital status of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over			
	Never married	Married	Widowed	Divorced or separated
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>73.9</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>65.3</b>
Crimes of violence	71.5	19.0	8.0	62.8
Completed violence	24.3	3.7	2.9	23.8
Attempted/threatened violence	47.1	15.3	5.1	39.0
Rape/Sexual assault	3.0	0.3	0.3 *	2.8
Rape/Attempted rape	1.9	0.2 *	0.1 *	1.5
Rape	1.2	0.1 *	0.0 *	0.9 *
Attempted rape/a	0.7	0.1 *	0.1 *	0.6 *
Sexual assault/b	1.1	0.0 *	0.1 *	1.2
Robbery	8.3	1.7	1.0 *	7.3
Completed/property taken	5.4	1.1	0.8 *	4.4
With injury	2.3	0.2 *	0.5 *	2.4
Without injury	3.1	0.8	0.3 *	2.0
Attempted to take property	2.9	0.6	0.3 *	2.8
With injury	0.6	0.1 *	0.0 *	1.0 *
Without injury	2.3	0.5	0.3 *	1.9
Assault	60.1	17.0	6.6	52.7
Aggravated	15.5	4.2	1.7 *	13.9
With injury	5.3	0.8	0.6 *	5.8
Threatened with weapon	10.3	3.4	1.0 *	8.1
Simple	44.6	12.8	5.0	38.8
With minor injury	11.4	1.7	1.3 *	11.5
Without injury	33.2	11.1	3.7	27.3
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	2.4	1.0	1.5 *	2.5
Population age 12 and over	67,650,800	113,762,150	13,838,230	23,451,480

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons whose marital status was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 12. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by gender and marital status of victims and type of crime**

Gender and marital status	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over						
		Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a	Robbery		
						Total	With injury	
<b>Male</b>								
Never married	36,257,520	80.4	26.4	54.1	0.6 *	11.8	4.0	7.8
Married	57,693,300	22.8	4.4	18.4	0.0 *	2.3	0.6	1.7
Widowed	2,436,560	11.0 *	4.2 *	6.8 *	0.0 *	0.9 *	0.0 *	0.9 *
Divorced or separated	9,673,060	61.8	20.8	41.0	0.8 *	9.0	4.5	4.5
<b>Female</b>								
Never married	31,393,280	61.1	22.0	39.1	5.9	4.3	1.7	2.7
Married	56,068,850	15.1	3.0	12.1	0.5	1.1	0.0 *	1.0
Widowed	11,401,670	7.3	2.6	4.7	0.4 *	1.1 *	0.5 *	0.5 *
Divorced or separated	13,778,420	63.5	25.8	37.6	4.2	6.1	2.6	3.5

Gender and marital status	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over			
	Total	Assault		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
		Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>Male</b>				
Never married	68.1	18.9	49.2	2.5
Married	20.4	5.8	14.7	1.0
Widowed	10.1 *	2.2 *	7.9 *	0.0 *
Divorced or separated	52.1	14.2	37.8	1.7 *
<b>Female</b>				
Never married	50.9	11.7	39.2	2.3
Married	13.5	2.6	10.9	1.0
Widowed	5.9	1.5 *	4.3	1.8 *
Divorced or separated	53.2	13.7	39.5	3.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Excludes data on persons whose marital status was not ascertained.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 13. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by gender of head of household, relationship  
of victims to head and type of crime**

Gender of head of household and relationship of victim to head	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over						
		Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/ threatened violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery		
						Total	With injury	Without injury
<b>Households headed by males</b>								
All male heads	64,315,230	34.5	8.8	25.7	0.2 *	4.7	1.7	3.0
Male heads living alone	12,659,060	54.0	18.8	35.2	1.0 *	11.4	4.3	7.1
Male heads living with others	51,656,180	29.7	6.3	23.4	0.0 *	3.1	1.1	2.0
Wives	41,674,490	13.4	2.1	11.3	0.4 *	0.9	0.0 *	0.9
Own children under age 18	13,330,630	67.1	25.9	41.2	1.2 *	6.4	1.7 *	4.7
Own children age 18 and over	10,198,520	57.7	22.2	35.5	3.9	7.4	3.2	4.2
Other relatives	4,460,950	51.4	19.2	32.2	1.7 *	3.9 *	0.7 *	3.2 *
Nonrelatives	6,438,920	71.4	14.9	56.5	2.9 *	4.4	0.7 *	3.6 *
<b>Households headed by females</b>								
All female heads	43,257,390	35.9	14.4	21.6	2.7	3.4	1.5	2.0
Female heads living alone	16,399,270	28.1	12.9	15.3	2.6	3.4	1.7	1.7 *
Female heads living with others	26,858,120	40.7	15.3	25.4	2.7	3.5	1.3	2.1
Husbands	11,278,660	21.2	4.2	17.0	0.2 *	1.8 *	0.0 *	1.8 *
Own children under age 18	8,292,420	105.3	36.3	69.0	4.8	11.5	2.9 *	8.6
Own children age 18 and over	7,793,020	62.3	19.0	43.3	1.8 *	7.4	2.1 *	5.2
Other relatives	3,958,720	71.2	21.5	49.6	3.5 *	8.9	2.7 *	6.2 *
Nonrelatives	4,840,160	48.6	15.2	33.4	2.5 *	7.8	5.2 *	2.6 *

Gender of head of household and relationship of victim to head	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over			
	Total	Assault		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
		Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>Households headed by males</b>				
All male heads	29.5	8.0	21.5	1.1
Male heads living alone	41.6	11.4	30.2	1.6 *
Male heads living with others	26.6	7.2	19.4	1.0
Wives	12.0	2.3	9.7	1.0
Own children under age 18	59.5	10.8	48.7	2.2
Own children age 18 and over	46.4	12.7	33.7	1.3 *
Other relatives	45.7	12.6	33.1	4.7 *
Nonrelatives	64.1	19.8	44.3	3.1 *
<b>Households headed by females</b>				
All female heads	29.8	6.4	23.4	2.2
Female heads living alone	22.1	4.5	17.6	2.6
Female heads living with others	34.5	7.6	27.0	2.0
Husbands	19.2	7.0	12.2	1.6 *
Own children under age 18	88.9	23.5	65.5	2.5 *
Own children age 18 and over	53.1	18.8	34.3	0.9 *
Other relatives	58.7	15.1	43.7	2.8 *
Nonrelatives	38.2	11.9	26.3	1.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 14. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and annual family income of victims**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over						
	Less than \$7,500	\$7,500- \$14,999	\$15,000- \$24,999	\$25,000- \$34,999	\$35,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000 or more
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>73.7</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>32.2</b>
Crimes of violence	71.0	51.2	40.1	40.2	38.7	33.9	30.7
Completed violence	27.9	19.3	13.1	11.9	11.0	8.0	9.2
Attempted/threatened violence	43.1	31.9	27.0	28.3	27.7	25.9	21.6
Rape/Sexual assault	5.2	2.2	1.5	1.5	0.6 *	0.7 *	1.1
Rape/Attempted rape	3.2	1.2	1.3	0.7 *	0.4 *	0.5 *	0.6 *
Rape	1.6 *	0.6 *	0.9 *	0.2 *	0.4 *	0.3 *	0.4 *
Attempted rape/a	1.6 *	0.6 *	0.4 *	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.2 *	0.2 *
Sexual assault/b	2.0 *	1.0 *	0.2 *	0.8 *	0.2 *	0.1 *	0.5 *
Robbery	10.1	7.0	4.6	4.2	2.9	3.1	3.7
Completed/property taken	6.7	5.1	3.0	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.4
With injury	3.4	2.2	1.1	0.5 *	1.0	0.9	0.6 *
Without injury	3.3	2.9	1.9	1.9	0.7 *	1.2	1.8
Attempted to take property	3.4	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.2	1.1	1.2
With injury	0.8 *	0.7 *	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.4 *	0.3 *	0.2 *
Without injury	2.6	1.2	1.2	1.9	0.8	0.8 *	1.1
Assault	55.6	42.0	34.0	34.6	35.2	30.1	26.0
Aggravated	13.6	11.8	10.4	8.2	8.6	7.2	4.7
With injury	5.2	4.8	3.5	2.4	2.4	2.1	1.3
Threatened with weapon	8.5	7.0	6.9	5.8	6.2	5.1	3.3
Simple	42.0	30.3	23.6	26.4	26.6	22.8	21.4
With minor injury	12.7	7.9	5.7	6.4	6.3	3.4	4.5
Without injury	29.3	22.4	17.9	20.1	20.3	19.5	16.9
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	2.7	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.4
Population age 12 and over	13,085,420	23,275,460	30,729,010	28,817,790	34,712,640	32,446,570	26,864,180

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons whose family income level was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.



Table 15. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by race and annual family income of victims and type of crime**

Race and income	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group						
		Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a	Total	Robbery With Injury	Without Injury
<b>White</b>								
Less than \$7,500	8,814,530	76.2	28.4	47.7	5.0	10.6	4.2	6.4
\$7,500-\$14,999	18,019,830	49.9	17.7	32.2	2.5	5.9	2.4	3.5
\$15,000-\$24,999	25,200,240	37.7	11.1	26.6	1.2	3.7	1.2	2.5
\$25,000-\$34,999	24,739,830	40.7	11.7	29.1	1.5	4.6	0.6 *	4.1
\$35,000-\$49,999	30,397,530	39.2	11.3	27.9	0.7 *	2.9	1.5	1.4
\$50,000-\$74,999	28,899,940	34.6	8.2	26.3	0.8 *	2.5	1.1	1.5
\$75,000 or more	24,550,090	29.5	9.1	20.4	1.2	3.5	0.9 *	2.6
<b>Black</b>								
Less than \$7,500	3,585,990	63.8	27.8	36.1	6.0 *	10.4	5.4 *	5.0 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	4,409,870	55.1	22.0	33.0	0.6 *	8.4	2.3 *	6.1 *
\$15,000-\$24,999	4,213,810	59.0	24.5	34.5	4.1 *	10.1	3.2 *	6.9
\$25,000-\$34,999	3,071,380	38.9	11.8	27.0	0.0 *	1.8 *	0.0 *	1.8 *
\$35,000-\$49,999	3,162,510	37.8	10.4	27.3	0.0 *	2.2 *	0.0 *	2.2 *
\$50,000-\$74,999	2,317,500	34.7	7.3 *	27.4	0.0 *	8.7 *	1.4 *	7.4 *
\$75,000 or more	1,200,130	66.9	18.1 *	48.9	0.0 *	11.0 *	0.0 *	11.0 *

Race and income	Rate per 1,000 persons in each age group			
	Total	Assault		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
		Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>White</b>				
Less than \$7,500	60.6	13.8	46.8	1.5 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	41.5	11.7	29.8	1.8
\$15,000-\$24,999	32.8	9.4	23.4	1.6
\$25,000-\$34,999	34.5	8.2	26.3	1.2
\$35,000-\$49,999	35.6	8.9	26.7	1.2
\$50,000-\$74,999	31.3	7.6	23.7	1.5
\$75,000 or more	24.9	4.5	20.4	1.2
<b>Black</b>				
Less than \$7,500	47.4	13.4	34.0	6.4 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	46.0	11.7	34.4	3.1 *
\$15,000-\$24,999	44.8	17.5	27.3	3.0 *
\$25,000-\$34,999	37.0	9.7	27.3	4.2 *
\$35,000-\$49,999	35.6	8.6 *	26.9	3.3 *
\$50,000-\$74,999	26.0	5.3 *	20.7	2.9 *
\$75,000 or more	56.0	11.5 *	44.5	4.3 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Excludes data on persons whose family income level was not ascertained and data on persons of "Other" races.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 16. Property crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates by type of crime and race of head of household**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	All Races		White		Black		Other	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>248.3</b>	<b>21,245,940</b>	<b>242.3</b>	<b>3,743,430</b>	<b>292.0</b>	<b>827,760</b>	<b>237.4</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	44.6	3,707,090	42.3	801,610	62.5	126,220	36.2
Completed	3,892,970	37.4	3,115,540	35.5	666,000	51.9	111,430	32.0
Forcible entry	1,497,370	14.4	1,079,240	12.3	353,550	27.6	64,580	18.5
Unlawful entry without force	2,395,600	23.0	2,036,300	23.2	312,450	24.4	46,860	13.4
Attempted forcible entry	741,960	7.1	591,550	6.7	135,620	10.6	14,790 *	4.2 *
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	13.8	1,042,710	11.9	309,410	24.1	81,240	23.3
Completed	1,006,960	9.7	719,910	8.2	235,460	18.4	51,590	14.8
Attempted	426,410	4.1	322,800	3.7	73,950	5.8	29,660	8.5
Theft	19,748,840	189.9	16,496,140	188.1	2,632,400	205.3	620,300	177.9
Completed	18,960,020	182.3	15,817,970	180.4	2,561,830	199.8	580,220	166.4
Less than \$50	7,218,020	69.4	6,014,320	68.6	946,980	73.9	256,720	73.6
\$50 - \$249	6,680,070	64.2	5,567,660	63.5	936,530	73.0	175,890	50.4
\$250 or more	3,955,010	38.0	3,365,710	38.4	481,340	37.5	107,960	31.0
Amount not available	1,106,910	10.6	870,280	9.9	196,980	15.4	39,650	11.4
Attempted	788,820	7.6	678,170	7.7	70,580	5.5	40,070	11.5
Total number of households	103,988,670	...	87,680,170	...	12,821,410	...	3,487,090	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

... Not applicable.

Table 17. Property crimes, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates by type of crime  
and ethnicity of head of household**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households					
	Total/a		Hispanic		Non-Hispanic	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>248.3</b>	<b>2,720,460</b>	<b>329.4</b>	<b>22,885,700</b>	<b>240.8</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	44.6	502,860	60.9	4,101,150	43.2
Completed	3,892,970	37.4	435,270	52.7	3,431,280	36.1
Forcible entry	1,497,370	14.4	176,850	21.4	1,313,990	13.8
Unlawful entry without force	2,395,600	23.0	258,410	31.3	2,117,290	22.3
Attempted forcible entry	741,960	7.1	67,590	8.2	669,870	7.0
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	13.8	244,540	29.6	1,184,720	12.5
Completed	1,006,960	9.7	178,310	21.6	828,650	8.7
Attempted	426,410	4.1	66,230	8.0	356,070	3.7
Theft	19,748,840	189.9	1,973,060	238.9	17,599,830	185.2
Completed	18,960,020	182.3	1,877,400	227.3	16,920,290	178.1
Less than \$50	7,218,020	69.4	680,030	82.3	6,495,490	68.4
\$50 - \$249	6,680,070	64.2	742,760	89.9	5,880,790	61.9
\$250 or more	3,955,010	38.0	339,400	41.1	3,564,540	37.5
Amount not available	1,106,910	10.6	115,210	14.0	979,470	10.3
Attempted	788,820	7.6	95,650	11.6	679,540	7.2
Total number of households	103,988,670	...	8,257,860	...	95,028,300	...

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

... Not applicable.

a/Includes data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained, which is not shown separately.

Table 18. Motor vehicle theft, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates on the basis of thefts per 1,000 households and of thefts per 1,000 vehicles owned, by selected household characteristics**

Characteristic	Based on households			Based on vehicles owned		
	Number of households	Number of thefts	Rate per 1,000	Number of vehicles owned	Number of thefts	Rate per 1,000
<b>Race of head of household</b>						
All races	103,988,670	1,433,370	13.8	192,168,910	1,510,870	7.9
White	87,680,170	1,042,710	11.9	169,148,000	1,099,900	6.5
Black	12,821,410	309,410	24.1	17,101,510	329,720	19.3
Other	3,487,090	81,240	23.3	5,919,400	81,240	13.7
<b>Age of head of household</b>						
12-19	850,880	17,420 *	20.5 *	1,071,460	17,420 *	16.3 *
20-34	25,399,660	540,080	21.3	44,326,030	558,060	12.6
35-49	34,599,260	526,220	15.2	71,755,100	571,780	8.0
50-64	21,653,360	229,820	10.6	45,635,250	238,950	5.2
65 and over	21,485,500	119,820	5.6	29,381,060	124,650	4.2
<b>Form of tenure</b>						
Owned or being bought	67,512,040	752,520	11.1	144,104,270	796,930	5.5
Rented	36,476,630	680,850	18.7	48,064,640	713,940	14.9
<b>Locality of residence</b>						
Urban	30,985,370	640,840	20.7	46,129,030	673,890	14.6
Suburban	47,194,730	624,370	13.2	93,776,730	664,110	7.1
Rural	25,808,570	168,170	6.5	52,263,150	172,870	3.3

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

The number of thefts based on vehicles owned is equal to or higher than the corresponding figure based on households because the former includes all completed or attempted vehicle thefts, regardless of the final classification of the event; personal crimes of contact and burglary occurring in conjunction with motor vehicle thefts take precedence in determining the final classification based on the number of households.

The term "Urban" is used to denote "Central cities."

The term "Suburban" is used to denote "Outside central cities."

The term "Rural" is used to denote "Nonmetropolitan areas."

Table 19. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime  
and age of head of household**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households				
	12-19	20-34	35-49	50-64	65 and over
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>600.6</b>	<b>324.3</b>	<b>304.4</b>	<b>206.2</b>	<b>96.5</b>
Household burglary	125.6	59.6	48.8	39.0	22.5
Completed	108.5	50.3	40.7	32.9	18.8
Forcible entry	23.2 *	22.0	14.8	12.2	6.7
Unlawful entry without force	85.4	28.3	25.9	20.7	12.1
Attempted forcible entry	17.1 *	9.3	8.1	6.1	3.7
Motor vehicle theft	20.5 *	21.3	15.2	10.6	5.6
Completed	14.2 *	15.1	10.6	7.6	3.7
Attempted	6.2 *	6.2	4.6	3.0	1.9
Theft	454.5	243.4	240.4	156.6	68.5
Completed	447.0	232.2	231.2	151.4	65.3
Less than \$50	167.0	77.3	94.5	56.6	28.8
\$50 - \$249	167.4	84.8	81.2	54.8	18.1
\$250 or more	88.1	58.1	43.4	29.9	11.9
Amount not available	24.4 *	12.1	12.1	10.1	6.5
Attempted	7.6 *	11.1	9.2	5.2	3.1
Total number of households	850,880	25,399,660	34,599,260	21,653,360	21,485,500

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 20. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime  
and annual family income**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households						
	Less than \$7,500	\$7,500- \$14,999	\$15,000- \$24,999	\$25,000- \$34,999	\$35,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000 or more
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>258.8</b>	<b>236.3</b>	<b>242.4</b>	<b>260.3</b>	<b>271.7</b>	<b>270.9</b>	<b>292.8</b>
Household burglary	79.5	53.9	47.2	42.4	39.8	35.0	42.4
Completed	70.9	45.5	38.7	34.9	32.8	29.8	35.9
Forcible entry	26.5	19.7	13.5	13.4	13.9	12.4	11.3
Unlawful entry without force	44.4	25.8	25.2	21.5	18.9	17.4	24.6
Attempted forcible entry	8.6	8.3	8.4	7.5	7.0	5.2	6.5
Motor vehicle theft	10.0	9.1	14.1	15.8	17.2	11.7	16.3
Completed	7.2	6.1	10.4	11.6	11.1	7.0	11.2
Attempted	2.8 *	3.0	3.7	4.2	6.1	4.7	5.1
Theft	169.3	173.3	181.2	202.0	214.6	224.2	234.1
Completed	163.7	167.9	174.3	193.5	204.3	216.5	223.9
Less than \$50	60.4	67.9	67.8	76.7	77.4	84.8	81.3
\$50 - \$249	54.9	60.4	62.5	65.0	71.4	76.2	81.2
\$250 or more	34.6	29.1	33.7	38.9	45.0	46.8	51.4
Amount not available	13.8	10.5	10.2	12.8	10.6	8.8	10.1
Attempted	5.6	5.4	6.9	8.5	10.2	7.7	10.2
Total number of households	8,343,820	12,648,520	15,237,980	13,430,070	14,967,560	13,033,070	10,728,660

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on families whose income level was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 21. Household burglary, 1997:

**Victimization rates by race of head of household,  
annual family income and type of household burglary**

Race and income	Total households	All household burglaries	Rate per 1,000 households		
			Completed household burglary		Attempted forcible entry
			Forcible entry	Unlawful entry without force	
<b>White</b>					
Less than \$7,500	5,795,920	77.5	19.7	47.8	10.0
\$7,500-\$14,999	10,146,200	50.2	16.5	26.2	7.5
\$15,000-\$24,999	12,667,550	45.2	11.6	26.1	7.5
\$25,000-\$34,999	11,628,640	40.8	12.4	21.4	7.0
\$35,000-\$49,999	13,186,420	36.5	11.2	18.6	6.7
\$50,000-\$74,999	11,718,090	34.7	11.3	18.2	5.2
\$75,000 or more	9,879,250	43.5	11.8	25.6	6.2
<b>Black</b>					
Less than \$7,500	2,184,770	93.6	45.4	42.0	6.2 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	2,123,930	67.7	30.3	23.8	13.7
\$15,000-\$24,999	2,044,080	56.9	21.4	21.3	14.2
\$25,000-\$34,999	1,408,960	56.9	20.5	24.1	12.4 *
\$35,000-\$49,999	1,332,740	73.9	40.6	22.1	11.2 *
\$50,000-\$74,999	893,260	48.1	29.3 *	13.2 *	5.7 *
\$75,000 or more	442,450	44.6 *	6.0 *	18.3 *	20.3 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on families whose income level was not ascertained and data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 22. Theft, 1997:

**Victimization rates by race of head of household,  
annual family income and type of theft**

Race and income	Total households	Theft/a	Rate per 1,000 households			Attempted
			Completed theft			
			Less than \$50	\$50-\$249	\$250 or more	
<b>White</b>						
Less than \$7,500	5,795,920	178.5	65.3	55.0	38.9	4.4 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	10,146,200	168.7	70.1	58.4	25.9	4.5
\$15,000-\$24,999	12,667,550	179.9	65.7	63.1	34.4	7.3
\$25,000-\$34,999	11,628,640	196.4	74.0	63.1	38.7	8.8
\$35,000-\$49,999	13,186,420	206.2	72.0	67.3	45.2	11.6
\$50,000-\$74,999	11,718,090	219.2	82.2	74.8	46.2	7.8
\$75,000 or more	9,879,250	232.3	81.4	80.1	50.9	9.8
<b>Black</b>						
Less than \$7,500	2,184,770	144.1	49.9	55.3	25.8	3.4 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	2,123,930	189.9	58.4	70.0	41.1	5.6 *
\$15,000-\$24,999	2,044,080	200.8	84.5	60.1	35.3	6.1 *
\$25,000-\$34,999	1,408,960	242.1	88.3	88.5	40.5	5.5 *
\$35,000-\$49,999	1,332,740	293.0	121.1	115.1	38.5	0.0 *
\$50,000-\$74,999	893,260	304.4	107.3	112.8	63.2	3.1 *
\$75,000 or more	442,450	316.6	73.9	123.6	72.8	29.4 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on families whose income level was not ascertained and data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data, not shown separately, on thefts for which the value of loss was not ascertained.



Table 23. Motor vehicle theft, 1997:

**Victimization rates by race of head of household,  
annual family income and type of motor vehicle theft**

Race and income	Total households	Rate per 1,000 households		
		All vehicle thefts	Completed thefts	Attempted thefts
<b>White</b>				
Less than \$7,500	5,795,920	10.8	7.2	3.6 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	10,146,200	8.0	5.5	2.5 *
\$15,000-\$24,999	12,667,550	10.7	8.2	2.5
\$25,000-\$34,999	11,628,640	13.3	9.9	3.3
\$35,000-\$49,999	13,186,420	14.1	9.0	5.1
\$50,000-\$74,999	11,718,090	10.3	6.2	4.1
\$75,000 or more	9,879,250	16.8	11.5	5.3
<b>Black</b>				
Less than \$7,500	2,184,770	7.3 *	7.3 *	0.0 *
\$7,500-\$14,999	2,123,930	14.2	9.4 *	4.8 *
\$15,000-\$24,999	2,044,080	32.5	23.7	8.8 *
\$25,000-\$34,999	1,408,960	34.3	25.9	8.3 *
\$35,000-\$49,999	1,332,740	37.2	23.9	13.3 *
\$50,000-\$74,999	893,260	28.2 *	14.4 *	13.8 *
\$75,000 or more	442,450	14.6 *	9.6 *	5.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on families whose income level was not ascertained and data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 24. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime  
and number of persons in household**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households			
	One	Two-three	Four-five	Six or more
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>140.7</b>	<b>236.5</b>	<b>368.6</b>	<b>533.7</b>
Household burglary	35.5	43.5	50.9	92.4
Completed	29.6	36.5	42.1	83.9
Forcible entry	12.6	14.1	16.0	22.9
Unlawful entry without force	17.0	22.4	26.1	61.0
Attempted forcible entry	5.9	7.0	8.8	8.5
Motor vehicle theft	8.0	14.0	18.7	25.5
Completed	5.6	9.7	13.0	20.6
Attempted	2.4	4.3	5.7	5.0 *
Theft	97.2	179.0	299.0	415.8
Completed	93.7	170.7	289.8	396.9
Less than \$50	37.1	62.7	112.0	163.8
\$50 - \$249	26.8	60.3	109.7	138.5
\$250 or more	22.2	38.0	53.5	68.2
Amount not available	7.6	9.6	14.6	26.4
Attempted	3.5	8.3	9.2	18.9
Total number of households	27,144,050	52,269,490	21,085,350	3,489,790

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on households where the number of persons was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 25. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime and number of units in structure occupied by household**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households						Other than housing ur
	One/a	Two	Three	Four	Five-nine	Ten or more	
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>233.8</b>	<b>292.0</b>	<b>326.4</b>	<b>307.1</b>	<b>321.9</b>	<b>251.3</b>	<b>222.6</b>
Household burglary	41.6	60.6	73.2	56.8	61.0	37.5	62.4
Completed	35.3	50.3	62.3	44.3	47.2	31.8	58.8
Forcible entry	13.3	20.0	22.1	19.2	24.0	11.7	9.4
Unlawful entry without force	22.1	30.2	40.2	25.1	23.2	20.1	49.4
Attempted forcible entry	6.3	10.3	10.9 *	12.5	13.8	5.7	3.5
Motor vehicle theft	11.8	16.7	22.2	21.1	21.9	17.4	5.0
Completed	8.2	14.0	14.5 *	14.0	14.4	12.5	0.0
Attempted	3.6	2.8 *	7.7 *	7.2 *	7.5	5.0	5.0
Theft	180.4	214.7	230.9	229.1	239.1	196.5	155.2
Completed	173.8	202.6	213.4	222.9	227.9	188.0	155.2
Less than \$50	68.6	61.2	80.7	99.2	78.8	64.6	69.1
\$50 - \$249	60.4	90.3	78.5	78.4	78.4	62.5	39.3
\$250 or more	34.6	41.9	42.3	32.5	59.7	48.5	22.3
Amount not available	10.2	9.3	12.0 *	12.8	11.0	12.3	24.5
Attempted	6.7	12.0	17.5	6.2 *	11.2	8.5	0.0
Total number of households	73,571,040	5,777,780	1,711,720	3,231,000	5,785,960	12,585,160	645,720

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on households for which the number of units in the structure was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on mobile homes, not shown separately.

Table 26. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Number of incidents and victimizations and ratio of victimizations to incidents, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Incidents	Victimizations	Ratio
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>8,268,040</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>1.08</b>
Crimes of violence	7,911,520	8,614,070	1.09
Completed violence	2,458,080	2,679,080	1.09
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	5,934,990	1.09
Rape/Sexual assault	305,620	311,110	1.02
Rape/Attempted rape	190,280	193,790	1.02
Rape	115,120	115,120	1.00
Attempted rape/a	75,150	78,670	1.05
Sexual assault/b	115,340	117,310	1.02
Robbery	882,600	943,940	1.07
Completed/property taken	564,590	606,660	1.07
With injury	228,790	243,220	1.06
Without injury	335,800	363,440	1.08
Attempted to take property	318,010	337,280	1.06
With injury	68,360	72,680	1.06
Without injury	249,660	264,610	1.06
Assault	6,723,290	7,359,030	1.09
Aggravated	1,660,460	1,883,110	1.13
With injury	520,810	594,900	1.14
Threatened with weapon	1,139,650	1,288,210	1.13
Simple	5,062,830	5,475,920	1.08
With minor injury	1,154,650	1,257,530	1.09
Without injury	3,908,180	4,218,390	1.08
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	356,530	1.00
Completed purse snatching	54,980	54,980	1.00
Attempted purse snatching	15,820 *	15,820	1.00
Pocket picking	285,730	285,730	1.00

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 27. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Number and percent distribution of incidents,  
by type of crime and victim-offender relationship**

Type of crime	Percent of incidents					
	All incidents		Involving strangers		Involving nonstrangers	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>3,869,220</b>	<b>48.9 %</b>	<b>4,042,300</b>	<b>51.1 %</b>
Completed violence	2,458,080	100	1,065,160	43.3	1,392,920	56.7
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100	2,804,060	51.4	2,649,380	48.6
Rape/Sexual assault	305,620	100	97,400	31.9	208,220	68.1
Rape/Attempted rape	190,280	100	68,770	36.1	121,510	63.9
Rape	115,120	100	26,630 *	23.1 *	88,490	76.9
Attempted rape/a	75,150	100	42,140	56.1	33,010	43.9
Sexual assault/b	115,340	100	28,630	24.8	86,720	75.2
Robbery	882,600	100	646,700	73.3	235,900	26.7
Completed/property taken	564,590	100	408,620	72.4	155,970	27.6
With injury	228,790	100	155,940	68.2	72,850	31.8
Without injury	335,800	100	252,680	75.2	83,120	24.8
Attempted to take property	318,010	100	238,080	74.9	79,940	25.1
With injury	68,360	100	48,890	71.5	19,470 *	28.5 *
Without injury	249,660	100	189,190	75.8	60,470	24.2
Assault	6,723,290	100	3,125,120	46.5	3,598,170	53.5
Aggravated	1,660,460	100	922,990	55.6	737,470	44.4
With injury	520,810	100	231,260	44.4	289,560	55.6
Threatened with weapon	1,139,650	100	691,740	60.7	447,910	39.3
Simple	5,062,830	100	2,202,130	43.5	2,860,700	56.5
With minor injury	1,154,650	100	378,150	32.8	776,500	67.2
Without injury	3,908,180	100	1,823,980	46.7	2,084,200	53.3

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 28. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Number of victimizations and victimization rates  
for persons age 12 and over, by type of crime  
and victim-offender relationship**

Type of crime	Total Population	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over					
		Total		Involving strangers		Involving nonstrangers	
		Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>219,839,110</b>	<b>8,614,070</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>4,292,360</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>4,321,720</b>	<b>19.7</b>
Completed violence		2,679,080	12.2	1,193,850	5.4	1,485,230	6.8
Attempted/threatened violence		5,934,990	27.0	3,098,510	14.1	2,836,490	12.9
Rape/Sexual assault		311,110	1.4	98,910	0.4	212,200	1.0
Rape/Attempted rape		193,790	0.9	70,280	0.3	123,520	0.6
Rape		115,120	0.5	26,630 *	0.1 *	88,490	0.4
Attempted rape/a		78,670	0.4	43,650	0.2	35,020	0.2
Sexual assault/b		117,310	0.5	28,630	0.1	88,680	0.4
Robbery		943,940	4.3	692,110	3.1	251,830	1.1
Completed/property taken		606,660	2.8	443,180	2.0	163,470	0.7
With injury		243,220	1.1	168,250	0.8	74,970	0.3
Without injury		363,440	1.7	274,930	1.3	88,500	0.4
Attempted to take property		337,280	1.5	248,930	1.1	88,360	0.4
With injury		72,680	0.3	51,510	0.2	21,170 *	0.1 *
Without injury		264,610	1.2	197,420	0.9	67,190	0.3
Assault		7,359,030	33.5	3,501,340	15.9	3,857,690	17.5
Aggravated		1,883,110	8.6	1,080,520	4.9	802,590	3.7
With injury		594,900	2.7	281,920	1.3	312,980	1.4
Threatened with weapon		1,288,210	5.9	798,600	3.6	489,610	2.2
Simple		5,475,920	24.9	2,420,820	11.0	3,055,100	13.9
With minor injury		1,257,530	5.7	421,620	1.9	835,910	3.8
Without injury		4,218,390	19.2	1,999,200	9.1	2,219,180	10.1

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 29. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations involving strangers,  
by gender and age of victims and type of crime**

Gender and age	Percent of victimizations involving strangers					
	Crimes of violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery	Assault		
				Total	Aggravated	Simple
<b>Both gender</b>	<b>49.8 %</b>	<b>31.8 %</b>	<b>73.3 %</b>	<b>47.6 %</b>	<b>57.4 %</b>	<b>44.2 %</b>
12-15	39.3	28.0 *	54.7	38.0	50.5	35.0
16-19	46.4	22.8 *	75.2	44.4	61.4	36.9
20-24	56.4	32.6 *	73.9	55.1	59.6	53.3
25-34	49.3	31.5	66.2	48.4	48.6	48.3
35-49	53.0	46.3 *	85.9	48.8	58.9	45.1
50-64	58.2	46.9 *	72.1	56.0	79.6	48.9
65 and over	61.7	69.7 *	93.6 *	53.1	48.3 *	54.1
<b>Male</b>	<b>60.2 %</b>	<b>31.5 %</b>	<b>81.6 %</b>	<b>57.1 %</b>	<b>64.6 %</b>	<b>54.2 %</b>
12-15	45.6	43.5 *	63.2	43.3	57.2	39.9
16-19	56.0	36.9 *	80.8	52.4	70.0	44.7
20-24	75.3	0.0 *	96.1	72.6	71.2	73.3
25-34	61.5	30.2 *	75.8	59.5	57.1	60.4
35-49	61.0	49.8 *	89.4	56.9	61.5	55.1
50-64	67.5	0.0 *	80.6	65.4	81.5	60.4
65 and over	74.8	0.0 *	100.0 *	65.1	76.2 *	62.2 *
<b>Female</b>	<b>36.3 %</b>	<b>31.8 %</b>	<b>54.9 %</b>	<b>35.0 %</b>	<b>45.8 %</b>	<b>31.8 %</b>
12-15	29.1	26.2 *	25.6 *	29.5	39.7	27.0
16-19	34.1	21.2 *	61.9	33.5	49.7	26.5
20-24	31.9	35.3 *	26.7 *	32.1	36.1	30.9
25-34	36.1	31.6 *	44.0 *	36.0	34.2	36.4
35-49	42.7	45.8 *	80.1	38.3	55.0	32.9
50-64	42.0	64.0 *	50.7 *	40.0	76.1	29.7
65 and over	48.9	69.7 *	78.1 *	42.8 *	18.4 *	47.5 *

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 30. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations involving strangers,  
by gender and race of victims and type of crime**

Gender and race	Percent of victimizations involving strangers					
	Crimes of violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery	Total	Assault Aggravated	Simple
<b>Both gender</b>						
White	49.4 %	34.6 %	72.7 %	47.3 %	59.6 %	43.3 %
Black	51.0	17.4 *	76.5	47.6	46.0	48.3
<b>Male</b>						
White	59.7	34.6 *	81.8	56.9	64.3	54.1
Black	61.1	0.0 *	80.4	56.5	59.7	55.1
<b>Female</b>						
White	35.9	34.6	53.6	34.5	51.4	30.0
Black	38.6	18.6 *	66.0	37.4	29.3	40.8

Note: Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 31. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations involving strangers,  
by gender and marital status of victims  
and type of crime**

Gender and marital status	Percent of victimizations involving strangers					
	Crimes of violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery	Assault		
				Total	Aggravated	Simple
<b>Both gender</b>						
Never married	49.7	29.8	73.1	47.5	56.7	44.3
Married	60.3	56.0 *	86.1	57.8	67.8	54.6
Widowed	47.7	100.0 *	74.9 *	41.1	22.8 *	47.2
Divorced or separated	35.6	25.1 *	59.1	32.9	47.4	27.6
<b>Male</b>						
Never married	60.0	23.6 *	79.6	56.9	64.6	54.0
Married	65.0	100.0 *	84.8	62.7	67.2	60.9
Widowed	55.2 *	0.0 *	100.0 *	51.3 *	55.1 *	50.2 *
Divorced or separated	51.9	33.2 *	85.7	46.4	60.0	41.2
<b>Female</b>						
Never married	34.2	30.5	52.7	33.0	41.9	30.4
Married	53.1	52.4 *	88.8	50.3	69.0	45.8
Widowed	45.3	100.0 *	70.5 *	37.4 *	13.0 *	46.0 *
Divorced or separated	24.4	24.1 *	31.6 *	23.6	38.3	18.5

Note: Excludes data on persons whose marital status was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 32. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations  
by perceived drug or alcohol use by offender**

Perceived drug or alcohol use by offender	Percent of victimizations					
	Crimes of violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery	Assault		
				Total	Aggravated	Simple
Total victimizations	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Total (Perceived to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol)	31.2	42.3	21.1	32.0	39.1	29.6
Under the influence of alcohol	18.5	28.5	10.0	19.1	20.4	18.7
Under the influence of drugs	5.9	6.5 *	6.4	5.8	7.7	5.1
Under the influence of both drugs and alcohol	5.2	7.3 *	3.9	5.3	8.0	4.4
Under the influence of one, not sure which	1.4	0.0 *	0.8 *	1.6	2.7	1.2
Not available whether drugs or alcohol	0.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.2 *	0.2 *	0.2 *
Not on alcohol or drugs	26.5	24.6	14.4	28.2	19.9	31.0
Don't know or not ascertained	42.3	33.1	64.6	39.8	41.0	39.4

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 33. Family violence, 1997:

**Number of victimizations, by type of crime and relationship to offender**

Type of crime	Total number of victimizations	Number of victimizations					
		Related					
		Total	Spouse	Ex-spouse	Parent	Own child	Other relatives
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>8,614,070</b>	<b>743,920</b>	<b>257,850</b>	<b>114,980</b>	<b>46,300</b>	<b>57,450</b>	<b>267,340</b>
Completed violence	2,679,080	292,810	127,990	40,920	33,540	15,100 *	75,260
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	451,110	129,860	74,060	12,760 *	42,350	192,080
Rape/Sexual assault/b	311,110	31,950	9,800 *	2,020 *	6,950 *	0 *	13,170 *
Robbery	943,940	51,500	24,800 *	7,250 *	4,020 *	2,110 *	13,320 *
Completed/property taken	606,660	27,600 *	12,390 *	2,250 *	4,020 *	0 *	8,940 *
Attempted to take property	337,280	23,900 *	12,410 *	5,010 *	0 *	2,110 *	4,380 *
Assault	7,359,030	660,470	223,250	105,710	35,320	55,340	240,850
Aggravated	1,883,110	133,680	54,250	23,160 *	2,920 *	5,150 *	48,190
Simple	5,475,920	526,790	169,000	82,540	32,400	50,190	192,660

Type of crime	Well-known/a	Number of victimizations			
		Casual acquaintances	Don't know relationship	Strangers	Don't know number of offenders
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>2,226,150</b>	<b>1,328,990</b>	<b>194,380</b>	<b>4,001,260</b>	<b>119,360</b>
Completed violence	820,960	364,860	63,880	1,081,520	55,050
Attempted/threatened violence	1,405,200	964,130	130,510	2,919,740	64,310
Rape/Sexual assault/b	119,060	61,200	2,300 *	94,580	2,030 *
Robbery	109,320	81,570	46,550	624,320	30,680
Completed/property taken	71,390	62,230	24,710 *	397,780	22,960 *
Attempted to take property	37,940	19,340 *	21,840 *	226,540	7,720 *
Assault	1,997,770	1,186,230	145,540	3,282,370	86,650
Aggravated	436,400	221,520	54,140	991,190	46,190
Simple	1,561,380	964,710	91,400	2,291,170	40,470

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on offenders well known to the victims whose relationship to the victim could not be ascertained.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 34. Family violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations,  
by type of crime and relationship to offender**

Type of crime	Total number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations							
		Total crimes	Related					Own child	Other relatives
			Total	Spouse	Ex-spouse	Parent			
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>8,614,070</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>8.6 %</b>	<b>3.0 %</b>	<b>1.3 %</b>	<b>0.5 %</b>	<b>0.7 %</b>	<b>3.1 %</b>	
Completed violence	2,679,080	100	10.9	4.8	1.5	1.3	0.6 *	2.8	
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	100	7.6	2.2	1.2	0.2 *	0.7	3.2	
Rape/Sexual assault/b	311,110	100	10.3	3.2 *	0.6 *	2.2 *	0.0 *	4.2 *	
Robbery	943,940	100	5.5	2.6 *	0.8 *	0.4 *	0.2 *	1.4 *	
Completed/property taken	606,660	100	4.5 *	2.0 *	0.4 *	0.7 *	0.0 *	1.5 *	
Attempted to take property	337,280	100	7.1 *	3.7 *	1.5 *	0.0 *	0.6 *	1.3 *	
Assault	7,359,030	100	9.0	3.0	1.4	0.5	0.8	3.3	
Aggravated	1,883,110	100	7.1	2.9	1.2 *	0.2 *	0.3 *	2.6	
Simple	5,475,920	100	9.6	3.1	1.5	0.6	0.9	3.5	

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations				
	Well-known/a	Casual acquaintances	Don't know relationship		Don't know number of offenders
			Don't know relationship	Strangers	
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>25.8 %</b>	<b>15.4 %</b>	<b>2.3 %</b>	<b>46.5 %</b>	<b>1.4 %</b>
Completed violence	30.6	13.6	2.4	40.4	2.1
Attempted/threatened violence	23.7	16.2	2.2	49.2	1.1
Rape/Sexual assault/b	38.3	19.7	0.7 *	30.4	0.7 *
Robbery	11.6	8.6	4.9	66.1	3.3
Completed/property taken	11.8	10.3	4.1 *	65.6	3.8 *
Attempted to take property	11.2	5.7 *	6.5 *	67.2	2.3 *
Assault	27.1	16.1	2.0	44.6	1.2
Aggravated	23.2	11.8	2.9	52.6	2.5
Simple	28.5	17.6	1.7	41.8	0.7

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on offenders well known to the victim whose relationship to the victim could not be ascertained.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 35. Family violence, 1997:

**Victimization rate by victim-offender relationship,  
by type of crime and selected victim characteristics**

Characteristic	Total population	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
		Crimes of violence/a				Assault			
		Relatives	Well-known	Casual acquaintances	Strangers	Relatives	Well-known	Casual acquaintances	Strangers
<b>Gender</b>									
Male	106,598,660	1.8	9.5	6.8	25.8	1.7	8.8	6.3	21.3
Female	113,240,440	4.9	10.7	5.3	11.0	4.3	9.3	4.6	9.0
<b>Race</b>									
White	184,617,470	3.3	9.8	6.2	17.7	3.0	8.9	5.5	14.7
Black	26,683,380	3.5	13.8	6.4	23.3	2.9	12.4	5.3	17.9
Other	8,538,250	4.4	4.9	2.7 *	14.0	3.7	3.5	2.4 *	10.9
<b>Age</b>									
12-15	15,701,280	3.6	28.1	21.0	31.8	2.9	24.8	19.5	26.7
16-19	15,244,130	4.0	31.0	15.8	42.1	2.8	28.4	13.3	33.8
20-24	17,648,850	4.1	17.2	8.2	36.8	3.7	14.9	7.4	30.7
25-34	40,162,600	6.6	11.0	6.1	21.5	5.9	9.5	5.2	18.1
35-49	62,604,840	3.7	7.1	4.4	16.0	3.4	6.7	4.2	12.8
50-64	36,486,320	1.2	2.7	2.2	7.3	1.1	2.5	1.8	6.2
65 and over	31,991,100	0.5 *	0.7 *	0.5 *	2.5	0.5 *	0.7 *	0.4 *	1.6
<b>Marital status/b</b>									
Married	113,762,150	1.8	3.2	2.6	10.6	1.7	3.0	2.4	9.2
Widowed	13,838,230	1.1 *	2.3	0.8 *	3.3	1.0 *	2.3	0.6 *	2.4
Divorced or separated	23,451,480	15.1	16.4	9.0	20.4	13.3	14.4	7.6	16.0
Never married	67,650,800	2.6	21.3	11.7	33.5	2.0	18.8	10.5	26.9
<b>Family income/c</b>									
Less than \$7,500	13,085,420	9.1	21.6	11.9	24.6	7.3	19.8	9.7	16.4
\$7,500-\$14,999	23,275,460	3.8	17.0	7.5	21.5	2.9	15.2	6.7	16.6
\$15,000-\$24,999	30,729,010	4.3	9.6	6.6	18.4	3.9	8.5	5.6	15.2
\$25,000-\$34,999	28,817,790	3.9	9.3	5.6	20.0	3.5	8.5	5.1	16.2
\$35,000-\$49,999	34,712,640	3.8	8.5	6.2	19.3	3.6	7.4	5.8	17.6
\$50,000-\$74,999	32,446,570	1.6	7.7	5.3	18.5	1.4	7.1	5.1	15.8
\$75,000 or more	26,864,180	1.7	7.2	5.0	14.8	1.7	6.4	4.6	12.0

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Crimes of violence includes data on rape, sexual assault, and robbery, not shown separately.

Table 35. Family violence, 1997: (continued)

Characteristic	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
	Aggravated assault				Simple assault			
	Relatives	Well-known	Casual acquaintances	Strangers	Relatives	Well-known	Casual acquaintances	Strangers
<b>Gender</b>								
Male	0.5	2.0	1.3	6.5	1.2	6.8	5.0	14.7
Female	0.7	1.9	0.8	2.6	3.5	7.4	3.8	6.3
<b>Race</b>								
White	0.5	1.7	1.0	4.5	2.5	7.2	4.5	10.2
Black	1.2	4.0	1.1	5.1	1.8	8.4	4.2	12.8
Other	0.6 *	1.5 *	0.0 *	3.4	3.1 *	2.0 *	2.4 *	7.5
<b>Age</b>								
12-15	0.5 *	4.6	1.9	7.1	2.4	20.1	17.7	19.7
16-19	0.8 *	6.4	2.1	13.9	2.0	22.0	11.2	19.9
20-24	1.3 *	4.4	1.2 *	9.4	2.4	10.5	6.2	21.3
25-34	1.1	2.2	1.6	4.0	4.8	7.3	3.6	14.1
35-49	0.7	1.3	1.0	4.2	2.7	5.4	3.1	8.6
50-64	0.1 *	0.3 *	0.2 *	2.0	1.0	2.2	1.6	4.2
65 and over	0.1 *	0.1 *	0.1 *	0.2 *	0.4 *	0.6 *	0.3 *	1.4
<b>Marital status/b</b>								
Married	0.3	0.5	0.6	2.6	1.4	2.5	1.9	6.6
Widowed	0.8 *	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.4 *	0.2 *	1.8 *	0.6 *	2.0
Divorced or separated	2.4	3.1	1.8	6.1	10.9	11.4	5.8	9.9
Never married	0.5	4.4	1.7	8.1	1.6	14.4	8.8	18.8
<b>Family income/c</b>								
Less than \$7,500	2.2	4.9	2.2	3.4	5.1	15.0	7.5	13.0
\$7,500-\$14,999	0.5 *	5.1	0.9 *	5.0	2.4	10.1	5.8	11.6
\$15,000-\$24,999	1.2	2.0	1.0	5.8	2.7	6.4	4.6	9.3
\$25,000-\$34,999	0.5 *	1.5	0.9 *	4.6	3.0	7.0	4.3	11.6
\$35,000-\$49,999	0.3 *	1.6	1.0	5.4	3.3	5.7	4.7	12.2
\$50,000-\$74,999	0.2 *	1.2	1.2	4.4	1.2	5.9	3.9	11.4
\$75,000 or more	0.3 *	0.4 *	0.6 *	3.0	1.5	5.9	4.0	9.0

b/Excludes data on persons whose marital status was not ascertained.

c/Excludes data on persons whose family income was not ascertained.

Table 36. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by type of crime and number of victims**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents				
		Total/a	Number of victims			
			One	Two	Three	Four or more
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,510</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>93.6 %</b>	<b>4.8 %</b>	<b>0.9 %</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>
Completed violence	2,458,080	100	93.0	5.6	1.0 *	0.4 *
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100	93.9	4.5	0.8	0.8
Rape/Sexual assault/b	305,620	100	98.6	1.2 *	0.0 *	0.2 *
Robbery	882,600	100	94.6	4.1	1.0 *	0.3 *
Completed/property taken	564,590	100	94.3	4.2 *	1.2 *	0.3 *
With injury	228,780	100	95.1	3.7 *	0.9 *	0.3 *
Without injury	335,800	100	93.8	4.5 *	1.5 *	0.3 *
Attempted to take property	318,010	100	95.1	4.0 *	0.6 *	0.3 *
With injury	68,350	100	94.9	3.8 *	1.2 *	0.0 *
Without injury	249,650	100	95.2	4.0 *	0.4 *	0.4 *
Assault	6,723,290	100	93.3	5.1	0.9	0.7
Aggravated	1,660,450	100	90.7	7.0	1.3 *	1.1 *
Simple	5,062,830	100	94.1	4.5	0.8	0.6

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Excludes incidents for which the number of victims was not ascertained.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 37. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by victim-offender relationship, type of crime and number of offenders**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents					
		Total	Number of offenders				
			One	Two	Three	Four or more	
<b>All incidents</b>							
Crimes of violence	7,911,520	100 %	79.6 %	7.4 %	4.3 %	6.0 %	2.7 %
Completed violence	2,458,080	100 %	76.0	9.1	4.4	7.1	3.3
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100 %	81.2	6.6	4.3	5.5	2.5
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100 %	93.0	1.3 *	0.7 *	3.6 *	1.4 *
Robbery	882,600	100 %	61.0	15.4	8.9	8.6	6.1
Completed/property taken	564,590	100 %	57.9	19.5	7.3	9.5	5.9
Attempted to take property	318,010	100 %	66.6	8.2 *	11.8	6.9 *	6.5 *
Assault	6,723,290	100 %	81.4	6.6	3.9	5.8	2.3
Aggravated	1,660,460	100 %	73.3	8.6	5.2	9.4	3.5
Simple	5,062,830	100 %	84.1	5.9	3.5	4.6	2.0
<b>Involving strangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	3,869,220	100 %	69.5	9.7	6.6	9.2	5.0
Completed violence	1,065,160	100 %	56.7	14.1	8.8	12.9	7.5
Attempted/threatened violence	2,804,060	100 %	74.4	8.0	5.7	7.8	4.1
Rape/Sexual assault/a	97,400	100 %	80.9	3.9 *	2.2 *	8.4 *	4.5 *
Robbery	646,700	100 %	52.3	19.1	10.0	10.3	8.3
Completed/property taken	408,620	100 %	46.9	23.9	9.3	11.9	8.1
Attempted to take property	238,080	100 %	61.6	10.9 *	11.1 *	7.7 *	8.6 *
Assault	3,125,120	100 %	72.7	7.9	6.0	9.0	4.4
Aggravated	922,990	100 %	64.9	10.0	7.3	11.9	5.9
Simple	2,202,130	100 %	76.0	7.1	5.4	7.8	3.8
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	4,042,300	100 %	89.2	5.2	2.2	2.9	0.5 *
Completed violence	1,392,920	100 %	90.8	5.3	1.1 *	2.7	0.1 *
Attempted/threatened violence	2,649,380	100 %	88.4	5.1	2.8	3.0	0.7 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	208,220	100 %	98.7	0.0 *	0.0 *	1.3 *	0.0 *
Robbery	235,900	100 %	85.1	5.2 *	6.1 *	3.7 *	0.0 *
Completed/property taken	155,970	100 %	86.8	7.9 *	2.0 *	3.2 *	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	79,940	100 %	81.5	0.0 *	14.0 *	4.5 *	0.0 *
Assault	3,598,170	100 %	89.0	5.5	2.1	2.9	0.6 *
Aggravated	737,470	100 %	83.7	6.9	2.5 *	6.4	0.5 *
Simple	2,860,700	100 %	90.3	5.1	2.0	2.0	0.6 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 38. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime and perceived gender of offender**

Type of crime	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single offender victimizations			
		Perceived gender of offender			Not known and not available
		Total	Male	Female	
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>6,737,250</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>83.2 %</b>	<b>16.1 %</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>
Completed violence	1,991,260	100	83.8	15.9	0.3 *
Attempted/threatened violence	4,745,980	100	83.0	16.2	0.8
Rape/Sexual assault/a	288,190	100	94.6	4.6 *	0.8 *
Robbery	565,010	100	89.0	10.4	0.6 *
Completed/property taken	345,380	100	86.2	12.9	0.9 *
With injury	137,280	100	82.3	17.7 *	0.0 *
Without injury	208,100	100	88.7	9.7 *	1.6 *
Attempted to take property	219,620	100	93.4	6.6 *	0.0 *
With injury	50,100	100	94.8	5.2 *	0.0 *
Without injury	169,520	100	93.0	7.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	5,884,030	100	82.1	17.2	0.6
Aggravated	1,341,980	100	86.3	12.5	1.2 *
Simple	4,542,050	100	80.9	18.6	0.5 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 39. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime and perceived age of offender**

Type of crime	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single-offender victimizations								
		Perceived age of offender								
		Total	Under 12	12-20				21-29	30 and over	Not known and not available
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>6,737,250</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>31.2</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>36.6</b>	<b>3.2</b>
Completed violence	1,991,260	100	1.7	31.9	8.0	14.2	9.8	31.0	32.8	2.6
Attempted/threatened violence	4,745,980	100	1.5	30.8	8.1	12.7	10.1	26.1	38.2	3.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	288,190	100	0.0 *	23.1	3.2 *	7.8 *	12.1	24.7	48.8	3.4 *
Robbery	565,010	100	0.4 *	30.6	5.4	12.5	12.7	41.4	21.9	5.6
Completed/property taken	345,380	100	0.0 *	31.5	5.1 *	13.7	12.7	40.4	21.2	6.9 *
With injury	137,280	100	0.0 *	35.1	0.0 *	24.9	10.2 *	40.7	22.6	1.6 *
Without injury	208,100	100	0.0 *	29.1	8.5 *	6.2 *	14.3	40.2	20.4	10.3 *
Attempted to take property	219,620	100	1.1 *	29.3	5.9 *	10.8 *	12.6 *	42.9	23.0	3.7 *
With injury	50,100	100	0.0 *	15.5 *	0.0 *	9.9 *	5.6 *	58.1	20.3	6.0 *
Without injury	169,520	100	1.5 *	33.4	7.7 *	11.0 *	14.7 *	38.4	23.8	2.9 *
Assault	5,884,030	100	1.7	31.6	8.5	13.5	9.6	26.3	37.4	2.9
Aggravated	1,341,980	100	2.9	26.9	3.7	11.7	11.5	27.7	37.9	4.6
Simple	4,542,050	100	1.4	33.0	10.0	14.0	9.0	25.9	37.3	2.4

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 40. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime and perceived race of offender**

Type of crime	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single-offender victimizations				
		Perceived race of offender				Not known and not available
		Total	White	Black	Other	
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>6,737,250</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>61.7 %</b>	<b>25.3 %</b>	<b>10.5 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>
Completed violence	1,991,260	100	60.2	27.7	10.1	2.0
Attempted/threatened violence	4,745,980	100	62.3	24.3	10.7	2.7
Rape/Sexual assault/a	288,190	100	62.8	20.8	15.6	0.8 *
Robbery	565,010	100	38.1	43.0	14.8	4.2 *
Completed/property taken	345,380	100	37.5	47.4	11.4	3.7 *
With injury	137,280	100	49.1	43.4	7.5 *	0.0 *
Without injury	208,100	100	29.8	50.1	14.0	6.1 *
Attempted to take property	219,620	100	39.0	36.0	20.1	5.0 *
With injury	50,100	100	27.2 *	50.8 *	16.0 *	6.0 *
Without injury	169,520	100	42.4	31.6	21.4	4.6 *
Assault	5,884,030	100	63.9	23.8	9.8	2.4
Aggravated	1,341,980	100	61.3	24.0	11.2	3.5
Simple	4,542,050	100	64.7	23.8	9.4	2.1

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 41. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime, age of victims and perceived age of offender**

Type of crime and age of victim	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single-offender victimizations								
		Perceived age of offender								
		Total	Under 12	12-20			21-29	30 and over	Not known and not available	
				Total	12-14	15-17	18-20			
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>										
12-19	2,028,040	100 %	2.9 %	71.2 %	22.8 %	30.5 %	17.9 %	13.5 %	10.4 %	2.0 %
20-34	2,564,470	100 %	0.8 *	13.9	1.1	4.7	8.2	44.6	37.5	3.2
35-49	1,633,000	100 %	1.2 *	14.0	2.4	6.9	4.7	20.0	60.9	3.9
50-64	420,030	100 %	0.4 *	13.7	3.2 *	6.0 *	4.6 *	23.0	57.4	5.6 *
65 and over	91,700	100 %	2.6 *	13.8 *	0.0 *	9.2 *	4.6 *	17.1 *	64.3	2.3 *
<b>Robbery</b>										
12-19	149,000	100 %	1.7 *	64.2	19.2	30.3	14.7 *	22.1	7.9 *	4.1 *
20-34	244,240	100 %	0.0 *	22.0	0.0 *	8.7 *	13.3	51.9	21.5	4.7 *
35-49	119,970	100 %	0.0 *	16.2 *	1.8 *	3.8 *	10.7 *	45.4	30.9	7.4 *
50-64	36,720	100 %	0.0 *	5.7 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	5.7 *	46.7 *	33.2 *	14.4 *
65 and over	15,090 *	100 %*	0.0 *	14.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	14.1 *	16.3 *	69.6 *	0.0 *
<b>Assault</b>										
12-19	1,768,220	100 %	3.2	72.7	24.0	31.2	17.5	12.8	9.4	2.0
20-34	2,189,130	100 %	1.0 *	13.7	1.3	4.5	7.9	44.1	38.2	3.0
35-49	1,477,210	100 %	1.4 *	14.1	2.5	7.4	4.3	18.1	62.9	3.6
50-64	376,670	100 %	0.4 *	14.7	3.5 *	6.6 *	4.5 *	21.1	59.5	4.3 *
65 and over	72,800	100 %	3.2 *	14.4 *	0.0 *	11.5 *	2.9 *	15.4 *	64.1	2.9 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 42. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations, based on race of victims, by type of crime and perceived race of offender**

Type of crime and race of victim	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single-offender victimizations				
		Total	Perceived race of offender			Not known and not available
White	Black		Other			
<b>Crimes of violence</b>						
White	5,549,410	100 %	71.5 %	15.9 %	10.1 %	2.5 %
Black	1,000,780	100 %	10.5	78.6	9.0	1.8 *
<b>Completed violence</b>						
White	1,585,350	100 %	72.4	16.0	9.7	1.9
Black	329,800	100 %	5.4 *	85.1	8.1 *	1.4 *
<b>Attempted/threatened violence</b>						
White	3,964,070	100 %	71.2	15.9	10.3	2.7
Black	670,980	100 %	13.0	75.5	9.5	2.0 *
<b>Rape/Sexual assault/a</b>						
White	234,800	100 %	74.8	8.0 *	16.2	1.0 *
Black	43,890	100 %	0.0 *	93.7	6.3 *	0.0 *
<b>Robbery</b>						
White	416,250	100 %	45.8	34.5	15.2	4.5 *
Black	123,920	100 %	12.7 *	74.3	9.2 *	3.8 *
<b>Completed/property taken</b>						
White	243,930	100 %	47.3	36.6	12.8	3.3 *
Black	83,570	100 %	6.4 *	83.5	4.5 *	5.6 *
<b>With injury</b>						
White	97,620	100 %	60.2	31.6	8.2 *	0.0 *
Black	28,710	100 %	0.0 *	100.0	0.0 *	0.0 *
<b>Without injury</b>						
White	146,310	100 %	38.7	40.0	15.8 *	5.5 *
Black	54,860	100 %	9.7 *	74.8	6.9 *	8.6 *
<b>Attempted to take property</b>						
White	172,320	100 %	43.6	31.5	18.6	6.3 *
Black	40,350	100 %	25.7 *	55.5 *	18.8 *	0.0 *
<b>With injury</b>						
White	35,590	100 %	38.3 *	47.9 *	5.4 *	8.5 *
Black	12,360 *	100 %*	0.0 *	68.2 *	31.8 *	0.0 *
<b>Without injury</b>						
White	136,730	100 %	45.0	27.2	22.0	5.7 *
Black	27,990	100 %	37.1 *	49.9 *	13.1 *	0.0 *
<b>Assault</b>						
White	4,898,360	100 %	73.5	14.7	9.4	2.4
Black	832,970	100 %	10.8	78.5	9.2	1.6 *
<b>Aggravated</b>						
White	1,090,650	100 %	71.8	13.5	11.0	3.7
Black	215,110	100 %	10.7 *	79.0	10.3 *	0.0 *
<b>Simple</b>						
White	3,807,710	100 %	74.0	15.0	8.9	2.0
Black	617,850	100 %	10.8	78.3	8.8	2.1 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 43. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of single-offender victimizations, by type of crime and detailed victim-offender relationship**

Type of crime	Number of single-offender victimizations	Percent of single-offender victimizations							
		Total	Related						
			Total	Spouse	Ex-spouse	Parent	Own child	Brother or sister	Other relative
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>6,737,250</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>10.8 %</b>	<b>3.8 %</b>	<b>1.6 %</b>	<b>0.7 %</b>	<b>0.9 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>2.1 %</b>
Completed violence	1,991,260	100	14.7	6.4	1.9	1.7	0.9 *	1.8	2.0
Attempted/threatened violence	4,745,990	100	9.1	2.7	1.4	0.3 *	0.9	1.7	2.1
Rape/Sexual assault/b	288,200	100	11.1	3.4 *	0.7 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	4.6 *
Robbery	565,020	100	9.1	4.4 *	1.3 *	0.7 *	0.4 *	1.9 *	0.4 *
Completed/property taken	345,390	100	8.0 *	3.6 *	0.7 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	2.6 *	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	219,630	100	10.9 *	5.7 *	2.3 *	0.0 *	1.0 *	0.8 *	1.1 *
Assault	5,884,030	100	10.9	3.8	1.7	0.6	1.0	1.8	2.1
Aggravated	1,341,980	100	10.1	4.0	1.5 *	0.2 *	0.4 *	2.1	1.9 *
Simple	4,542,050	100	11.2	3.7	1.7	0.7	1.2	1.7	2.2

Type of crime	Well known, not related/a	Casual acquaintance	Don't know	Stranger
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>25.8 %</b>	<b>19.4 %</b>	<b>1.0 %</b>	<b>43.0 %</b>
Completed violence	33.8	18.1	0.5 *	32.9
Attempted/threatened violence	22.5	19.9	1.2	47.3
Rape/Sexual assault/b	39.4	21.2	1.7 *	26.5
Robbery	13.4	14.4	0.0 *	63.0
Completed/property taken	14.6	18.0	0.0 *	59.4
Attempted to take property	11.7 *	8.8 *	0.0 *	68.6
Assault	26.4	19.7	1.1	41.9
Aggravated	23.0	16.1	0.9 *	49.9
Simple	27.4	20.8	1.1	39.5

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on offenders well known to the victim whose relationship could not be ascertained.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 44. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime and perceived gender of offenders**

Type of crime	Number of multiple-offender victimizations	Percent of all multiple-offender victimizations				
		Perceived gender of offenders				
		Total	All male	All female	Male and female	Not known and not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>1,757,460</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>73.0 %</b>	<b>8.5 %</b>	<b>16.8 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>
Completed violence	632,760	100	77.7	5.9	14.0	2.3 *
Attempted/threatened violence	1,124,690	100	70.4	9.9	18.4	1.3 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	20,870 *	100 *	100.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	348,240	100	86.9	0.0 *	8.8	4.3 *
Completed/property taken	238,300	100	85.7	0.0 *	10.2 *	4.2 *
With injury	102,550	100	83.0	0.0 *	9.6 *	7.4 *
Without injury	135,740	100	87.7	0.0 *	10.6 *	1.7 *
Attempted to take property	109,930	100	89.6	0.0 *	5.7 *	4.6 *
With injury	22,570 *	100 *	91.6 *	0.0 *	8.4 *	0.0 *
Without injury	87,360	100	89.1	0.0 *	5.0 *	5.8 *
Assault	1,388,330	100	69.1	10.7	19.1	1.0 *
Aggravated	494,940	100	73.8	5.9	19.9	0.5 *
Simple	893,390	100	66.6	13.4	18.7	1.3 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 45. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations, by type of crime and perceived age of offenders**

Type of crime	Number of multiple-offender victimizations	Percent of all multiple-offender victimizations						
		Total	Perceived age of offenders					
			All under 12	All 12-20	All 21-29	All 30 and over	Mixed ages	Not known and not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>1,757,460</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>0.4 %*</b>	<b>46.4 %</b>	<b>10.6 %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>	<b>27.6 %</b>	<b>7.1 %</b>
Completed violence	632,760	100	0.0 *	44.8	13.9	6.9	26.5	7.9
Attempted/threatened violence	1,124,690	100	0.6 *	47.3	8.7	8.5	28.3	6.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	20,870 *	100 *	0.0 *	24.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	64.2 *	11.4 *
Robbery	348,240	100	0.0 *	42.1	14.7	6.8 *	26.4	10.1
Completed/property taken	238,300	100	0.0 *	42.6	12.5	8.0 *	26.5	10.3 *
With injury	102,550	100	0.0 *	50.2	12.2 *	7.5 *	21.5 *	8.6 *
Without injury	135,740	100	0.0 *	37.0	12.8 *	8.3 *	30.4	11.6 *
Attempted to take property	109,930	100	0.0 *	41.0	19.3 *	4.2 *	26.0	9.5 *
With injury	22,570 *	100 *	0.0 *	12.2 *	46.3 *	0.0 *	41.5 *	0.0 *
Without injury	87,360	100	0.0 *	48.5	12.4 *	5.3 *	22.0 *	11.9 *
Assault	1,388,330	100	0.5 *	47.8	9.7	8.3	27.4	6.3
Aggravated	494,940	100	0.4 *	46.3	7.3	12.8	24.8	8.3
Simple	893,390	100	0.5 *	48.6	11.0	5.8	28.8	5.2

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 46. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime and perceived race of offenders**

Type of crime	Number of multiple-offender victimizations	Percent of all multiple-offender victimizations					
		Perceived race of offenders					
		Total	All white	All black	All other	Mixed races	Not known and not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>1,757,460</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>44.3 %</b>	<b>29.1 %</b>	<b>8.9 %</b>	<b>12.9 %</b>	<b>4.8 %</b>
Completed violence	632,760	100	37.8	35.5	10.0	13.2	3.5 *
Attempted/threatened violence	1,124,690	100	48.0	25.5	8.3	12.7	5.5
Rape/Sexual assault/a	20,870 *	100 *	0.0 *	36.0 *	0.0 *	26.5 *	37.6 *
Robbery	348,240	100	16.3	47.0	10.4	17.8	8.5
Completed/property taken	238,300	100	16.1	50.4	9.2 *	18.9	5.3 *
With injury	102,550	100	19.2 *	39.5	8.9 *	25.6 *	6.8 *
Without injury	135,740	100	13.8 *	58.7	9.4 *	13.9 *	4.2 *
Attempted to take property	109,930	100	16.7 *	39.6	13.0 *	15.3 *	15.3 *
With injury	22,570 *	100 *	18.9 *	20.7 *	22.5 *	23.2 *	14.6 *
Without injury	87,360	100	16.1 *	44.5	10.6 *	13.3 *	15.5 *
Assault	1,388,330	100	52.0	24.5	8.6	11.4	3.4
Aggravated	494,940	100	46.8	25.0	12.4	12.8	3.0 *
Simple	893,390	100	54.9	24.2	6.6	10.7	3.6

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 47. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations,  
by type of crime, age of victims and perceived age of offenders**

Type of crime and age of victim	Number of multiple- offender victimizations	Percent of all multiple-offender victimizations						
		Total	Perceived age of offenders					Not known and not available
			All under 12	All 12-20	All 21-29	All 30 and over	Mixed ages	
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>								
12-19	785,160	100 %	0.6 %*	72.6 %	1.2 %*	0.8 %*	21.0 %	3.8 %
20-34	476,910	100 %	0.0 *	20.3	23.2	8.5	39.9	8.1
35-49	357,300	100 %	0.6 *	31.7	13.7	16.2	28.5	9.3
50-64	92,040	100 %	0.0 *	27.2 *	11.0 *	18.9 *	24.3 *	18.6 *
65 and over	46,050	100 %	0.0 *	22.0 *	14.6 *	37.2 *	14.0 *	12.2 *
<b>Robbery</b>								
12-19	132,610	100 %	0.0 *	73.3	0.0 *	0.0 *	23.0	3.8 *
20-34	66,080	100 %	0.0 *	12.4 *	21.2 *	15.3 *	36.2 *	14.9 *
35-49	108,600	100 %	0.0 *	29.2	22.9 *	10.1 *	24.4 *	13.4 *
50-64	28,430	100 %	0.0 *	14.1 *	26.4 *	8.5 *	30.9 *	20.0 *
65 and over	12,540 *	100 %*	0.0 *	45.0 *	37.7 *	0.0 *	17.3 *	0.0 *
<b>Assault</b>								
12-19	638,550	100 %	0.7 *	73.6	1.5 *	0.9 *	19.3	3.9 *
20-34	408,450	100 %	0.0 *	21.7	23.7	7.5	40.7	6.5 *
35-49	246,370	100 %	0.9 *	32.1	9.8 *	19.1	30.5	7.6 *
50-64	61,460	100 %	0.0 *	34.2 *	4.2 *	24.3 *	18.5 *	18.7 *
65 and over	33,520	100 %	0.0 *	13.4 *	5.9 *	51.1 *	12.8 *	16.8 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 48. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations  
by type of crime, race of victims and perceived race of offenders**

Type of crime and race of victim	Number of multiple- offender victimizations	Percent of multiple-offender victimizations					Not known and not available
		Total	Perceived race of offenders				
			All white	All black	All other	Mixed races	
Crimes of violence/a							
White	1,423,120	100 %	50.9 %	20.5 %	9.3 %	13.8 %	5.6 %
Black	290,030	100 %	12.6	75.0	2.7 *	8.7 *	1.1 *
Robbery							
White	264,550	100 %	18.5	37.1	12.7	21.7	10.0 *
Black	68,320	100 %	3.7 *	91.8	0.0 *	0.0 *	4.5 *
Assault							
White	1,137,700	100 %	59.4	16.3	8.6	11.7	3.9
Black	221,710	100 %	15.3	69.8	3.5 *	11.4 *	0.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 49. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of multiple-offender victimizations, by type of crime and detailed victim-offender relationship**

Type of crime	Number of multiple-offender victimizations	Percent of multiple-offender victimizations						
		Some or all related						
		Total	Total	Spouses and ex-spouses	Parents	Own children	Brothers and sisters	Other relatives
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>1,757,460</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>2.2 %</b>	<b>0.4 %*</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>0.3 %*</b>	<b>1.5 %</b>
Completed violence	632,770	100	0.8 *	0.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.4 *
Attempted/threatened violence	1,124,700	100	3.0	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.4 *	2.1 *
Rape/Sexual assault/b	20,880 *	100 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	348,240	100	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Completed/property taken	238,300	100	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	109,940	100	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,388,340	100	2.8	0.6 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.3 *	1.9 *
Aggravated	494,940	100	0.6 *	0.6 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Simple	893,400	100	4.0	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.5 *	2.9 *

Type of crime	Some or all well known, not related/a	Some or all casual acquaintances	Don't know	Stranger
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>10.1 %</b>	<b>14.9 %</b>	<b>1.1 %</b>	<b>71.7 %</b>
Completed violence	8.4	13.3	1.2 *	76.4
Attempted/threatened violence	11.0	15.9	1.1 *	69.1
Rape/Sexual assault/b	0.0 *	13.3 *	0.0 *	86.7 *
Robbery	5.7 *	3.9 *	2.3 *	88.1
Completed/property taken	4.1 *	4.7 *	2.1 *	89.0
Attempted to take property	9.1 *	2.0 *	2.9 *	86.0
Assault	11.3	17.7	0.9 *	67.4
Aggravated	10.0	14.7	0.5 *	74.3
Simple	12.0	19.4	1.1 *	63.5

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on offenders well known to the victim whose relationship to the victim was not ascertained.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 50. Violent crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and number of years lived at current residence**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
	Total	Less than 6 months/a	6 months to 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years or more
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>104.9</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>25.4</b>
Completed violence	12.2	39.5	17.2	12.9	12.2	11.6	8.3	7.7
Attempted/threatened violence	27.1	65.4	45.6	38.3	35.4	21.5	17.7	17.8
Rape/Sexual assault/b	1.4	4.5	3.0	0.9 *	2.6	0.8 *	1.1 *	0.7
Robbery	4.3	12.0	6.5	5.0	4.7	4.4	2.2 *	2.8
Completed/property taken	2.7	7.0	3.9	2.7	2.4	2.8	1.5 *	2.1
Attempted to take property	1.5	5.0	2.5	2.3	2.3	1.6 *	0.8 *	0.7
Assault	33.6	88.4	53.3	45.3	40.3	27.9	22.7	21.9
Aggravated	8.6	24.9	13.7	10.5	10.0	6.4	7.5	5.3
With injury	2.7	10.8	4.5	3.6	1.3 *	1.9	2.3 *	1.5
Threatened with weapon	5.8	14.1	9.2	6.9	8.7	4.5	5.2	3.8
Simple	25.0	63.5	39.6	34.8	30.3	21.5	15.2	16.6
With minor injury	5.7	18.1	7.0	6.1	6.8	6.2	3.4	3.6
Without injury	19.3	45.4	32.6	28.7	23.5	15.4	11.8	13.0
Total population age 12 and over	218,470,230	19,362,710	13,676,560	15,813,070	19,302,230	16,552,190	11,906,710	121,856,750

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Excludes data on persons whose mobility was not ascertained.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/These numbers are unbounded estimates.  
 b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 51. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime and number of years lived at current residence**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	Total	Less than 6 months/a	6 months to 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years or more
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>264.7</b>	<b>559.3</b>	<b>389.3</b>	<b>310.4</b>	<b>291.3</b>	<b>265.4</b>	<b>258.0</b>	<b>195.4</b>
Household burglary	47.5	119.6	66.4	53.5	54.1	37.9	43.9	34.1
Completed	39.9	107.8	51.8	44.5	43.6	29.3	38.0	28.6
Forcible entry	15.3	42.3	20.9	16.6	19.7	11.6	12.3	10.5
Unlawful entry without force	24.6	65.6	30.9	27.9	23.8	17.7	25.7	18.1
Attempted forcible entry	7.6	11.8	14.6	9.1	10.5	8.6	5.9	5.5
Motor vehicle theft	14.7	30.0	23.9	19.6	16.9	15.7	12.6	10.4
Completed	10.3	20.8	19.6	14.7	11.8	10.7	8.5	6.9
Attempted	4.4	9.2	4.2 *	4.8	5.1	5.0	4.1 *	3.4
Theft	202.5	409.7	299.0	237.3	220.3	211.9	201.5	151.0
Completed	194.3	396.2	284.1	226.8	208.8	203.9	196.3	144.9
Less than \$50	74.1	131.4	98.4	78.7	77.8	83.3	84.1	59.0
\$50 - \$249	68.5	135.2	114.5	85.4	75.1	69.6	62.7	50.2
\$250 or more	40.5	106.5	59.0	49.0	45.0	38.2	34.8	27.3
Amount not available	11.2	23.0	12.2	13.6	11.0	12.8	14.8	8.5
Attempted	8.1	13.5	14.9	10.5	11.5	8.0	5.2 *	6.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Excludes data on persons whose mobility was not ascertained.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/These numbers are unbounded estimates.

Table 52. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime and locality of residence of victims**

Type of crime	Rates per 1,000 persons age 12 and over						
	All areas	Total		50,000-249,999		250,000-499,999	
		Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban
<b>Personal Crimes</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>57.3</b>	<b>33.7</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>36.5</b>
Crimes of violence	39.2	51.8	36.4	55.1	32.5	52.4	35.1
Completed violence	12.2	16.8	10.8	17.8	9.9	18.7	10.7
Attempted/threatened violence	27.0	35.0	25.6	37.2	22.6	33.7	24.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	1.4	2.0	1.2	2.0	1.1	2.7 *	1.4
Robbery	4.3	7.6	3.6	5.4	3.1	7.3	3.4
Completed/property taken	2.8	5.0	2.1	3.4	1.6	4.8	2.0
With injury	1.1	2.0	0.8	1.6	0.2 *	3.2	0.6 *
Without injury	1.7	3.0	1.3	1.8	1.4	1.7 *	1.4
Attempted to take property	1.5	2.6	1.5	2.0	1.5	2.5 *	1.4
With injury	0.3	0.7	0.3 *	0.4 *	0.5 *	1.1 *	0.1 *
Without injury	1.2	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.4 *	1.3
Assault	33.5	42.1	31.6	47.7	28.3	42.5	30.3
Aggravated	8.6	12.6	7.0	14.2	7.0	13.7	6.2
With injury	2.7	3.9	2.1	5.0	2.5	4.7	1.8
Threatened with weapon	5.9	8.6	4.9	9.3	4.5	9.1	4.4
Simple	24.9	29.5	24.6	33.5	21.3	28.7	24.0
With minor injury	5.7	6.4	5.7	7.8	5.0	7.3	6.0
Without injury	19.2	23.1	18.9	25.7	16.3	21.5	18.0
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	1.6	2.9	1.2	2.2	1.2	3.3	1.4
Population age 12 and over	219,839,110	62,659,520	101,808,820	18,702,710	30,545,800	9,747,500	23,953,660

Personal Crimes	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over				
	500,000-999,999		1,000,000 or more		Rural
	Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban	
<b>Personal Crimes</b>	<b>54.1</b>	<b>43.7</b>	<b>52.0</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>30.9</b>
Crimes of violence	52.6	42.9	47.8	35.9	30.0
Completed violence	16.3	13.8	15.1	8.6	9.6
Attempted/threatened violence	36.3	29.1	32.7	27.2	20.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	2.1	1.4	1.8	1.0 *	1.0
Robbery	8.5	3.8	9.2	4.3	1.8
Completed/property taken	5.4	2.7	6.3	2.0	1.5
With injury	2.6	1.5	1.5	1.0 *	0.6
Without injury	2.8	1.2	4.8	1.0 *	0.9
Attempted to take property	3.2	1.1	2.9	2.3	0.3 *
With injury	1.1 *	0.1 *	0.5 *	0.4 *	0.1 *
Without injury	2.0	1.0 *	2.5	1.9	0.2 *
Assault	41.9	37.7	36.8	30.5	27.2
Aggravated	10.6	8.1	11.8	6.4	7.0
With injury	3.7	2.1	2.8	1.9	2.4
Threatened with weapon	7.0	6.0	8.9	4.5	4.6
Simple	31.3	29.6	25.1	24.2	20.2
With minor injury	5.9	7.9	5.1	3.9	4.9
Without injury	25.4	21.6	20.0	20.2	15.3
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	1.5 *	0.7 *	4.1	1.6	0.9
Population age 12 and over	13,755,140	25,583,310	20,454,160	21,726,050	55,370,770

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

The term "Urban" is used to denote "Central cities."

The term "Suburban" is used to denote "Outside central cities."

The term "Rural" is used to denote "Nonmetropolitan areas."

The population range categories shown for "Urban" and "Suburban" are based on the size of the core city of a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and do not reflect the population of the entire MSA.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 53. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime and locality of residence**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households						
	All areas	Total		50,000-249,999		250,000-499,999	
		Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>248.3</b>	<b>311.1</b>	<b>238.0</b>	<b>324.8</b>	<b>222.9</b>	<b>323.7</b>	<b>225.4</b>
Household burglary	44.6	56.9	38.9	55.2	36.7	70.3	35.4
Completed	37.4	47.7	32.0	47.1	29.6	58.9	29.5
Forcible entry	14.4	20.1	12.7	17.1	11.0	27.2	13.1
Unlawful entry without force	23.0	27.6	19.3	30.0	18.6	31.7	16.4
Attempted forcible entry	7.1	9.2	6.9	8.0	7.1	11.4	5.9
Motor vehicle theft	13.8	20.7	13.2	11.1	8.9	23.7	14.1
Completed	9.7	14.5	9.1	7.3	5.4	16.7	10.1
Attempted	4.1	6.2	4.2	3.8	3.5	7.0	4.0
Theft	189.9	233.6	185.8	258.5	177.2	229.7	175.9
Completed	182.3	221.7	179.9	246.5	173.4	220.9	170.2
Less than \$50	69.4	81.6	67.6	97.5	67.5	88.5	66.2
\$50 - \$249	64.2	78.0	63.8	82.3	58.6	75.7	56.8
\$250 or more	38.0	48.2	38.3	54.1	37.8	44.2	36.5
Amount not available	10.6	13.9	10.2	12.6	9.4	12.5	10.7
Attempted	7.6	11.9	5.9	12.1	3.8	8.7	5.7
Total number of households	103,988,670	30,985,370	47,194,730	8,816,250	13,961,750	4,902,350	11,069,800

Type of crime	Rates per 1,000 households				
	500,000-999,999		1,000,000 or more		Rural
	Urban	Suburban	Urban	Suburban	
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>324.0</b>	<b>252.3</b>	<b>284.0</b>	<b>255.4</b>	<b>191.7</b>
Household burglary	66.2	45.2	45.3	38.1	40.2
Completed	55.6	37.4	37.2	31.7	35.0
Forcible entry	25.5	14.5	15.4	12.4	10.7
Unlawful entry without force	30.2	22.9	21.8	19.3	24.3
Attempted forcible entry	10.6	7.8	8.1	6.4	5.2
Motor vehicle theft	24.9	14.2	24.5	17.0	6.5
Completed	17.5	9.5	17.6	12.5	5.0
Attempted	7.4	4.8	6.9	4.5	1.5
Theft	232.9	192.9	214.2	200.2	145.0
Completed	216.5	186.1	204.1	192.1	139.5
Less than \$50	75.8	66.7	68.5	70.3	58.1
\$50 - \$249	75.1	70.5	77.5	70.6	48.5
\$250 or more	51.6	39.0	42.4	40.1	25.4
Amount not available	14.0	9.8	15.7	11.2	7.5
Attempted	16.4	6.8	10.1	8.1	5.4
Total number of households	7,113,330	12,138,340	10,153,440	10,024,840	25,808,570

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

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Table 54. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by locality of residence, race, gender and ethnicity  
of victims and type of crime**

Locality of residence, race, gender and ethnicity	Total population	All personal crimes	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over						
			Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/ threatened violence	Rape/ Sexual assault/a	Robbery		
							Total	With injury	Without injury
<b>All areas</b>									
White male	90,259,660	45.8	44.3	12.4	31.9	0.3	5.3	2.1	3.2
White female	94,357,820	33.9	32.6	10.6	22.0	2.4	2.4	0.6	1.8
Black male	12,156,280	61.3	59.0	20.4	38.6	0.2 *	11.9	1.9 *	10.0
Black female	14,527,100	44.7	40.6	15.0	25.6	2.8	3.6	2.1	1.5 *
Hispanic male	10,392,880	52.4	50.6	16.4	34.2	0.2 *	9.9	3.4	6.5
Hispanic female	10,770,110	38.9	35.9	14.0	21.9	2.9	4.7	1.3 *	3.4
Non-Hispanic male	95,085,860	46.4	44.9	13.1	31.9	0.3	5.7	1.9	3.8
Non-Hispanic female	101,237,200	33.7	32.1	10.6	21.6	2.4	2.3	0.8	1.5
<b>Urban</b>									
White male	21,973,780	63.9	61.8	16.8	45.0	0.4 *	10.3	4.1	6.3
White female	23,037,810	45.8	42.9	13.8	29.1	3.6	3.7	1.4	2.3
Black male	6,228,110	71.2	67.9	25.6	42.3	0.4 *	16.2	2.8 *	13.5
Black female	7,913,930	53.0	47.3	20.1	27.3	3.8	4.9	3.0 *	1.9 *
Hispanic male	4,849,760	61.7	58.6	22.3	36.2	0.0 *	15.7	5.1 *	10.6
Hispanic female	5,172,270	39.7	37.2	15.0	22.2	4.3 *	5.1 *	1.7 *	3.4 *
Non-Hispanic male	24,713,280	64.1	62.0	17.9	44.2	0.4 *	10.8	3.4	7.4
Non-Hispanic female	27,196,580	45.7	42.0	15.2	26.8	3.4	3.6	1.9	1.7
<b>Suburban</b>									
White male	43,841,750	42.8	41.6	12.0	29.6	0.5 *	4.2	1.6	2.6
White female	46,100,330	31.6	30.5	9.3	21.2	2.1	2.6	0.4 *	2.2
Black male	3,768,210	58.6	56.9	17.8	39.0	0.0 *	9.5	0.8 *	8.6
Black female	4,115,850	39.7	37.4	9.4	28.0	1.1 *	3.4 *	1.7 *	1.7 *
Hispanic male	4,518,390	43.6	42.7	11.0	31.7	0.4 *	5.4 *	1.7 *	3.6 *
Hispanic female	4,550,670	40.0	35.8	13.5	22.3	1.0 *	5.3 *	1.1 *	4.1 *
Non-Hispanic male	44,533,590	43.6	42.2	12.4	29.8	0.4 *	4.5	1.6	2.9
Non-Hispanic female	47,078,420	30.9	30.0	8.7	21.3	2.1	2.5	0.5 *	2.0
<b>Rural</b>									
White male	24,444,130	34.7	33.3	9.0	24.3	0.0 *	2.6	1.0 *	1.6
White female	25,219,670	27.3	26.9	9.9	17.0	2.0	0.9 *	0.2 *	0.7 *
Black male	2,159,960	37.1	37.1	9.6 *	27.5	0.0 *	3.9 *	1.4 *	2.5 *
Black female	2,497,320	26.7	24.4	8.1 *	16.3	2.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Hispanic male	1,024,730	47.6	47.6	11.9 *	35.7	0.0 *	2.7 *	2.7 *	0.0 *
Hispanic female	1,047,170	30.2	30.2	11.4 *	18.8 *	3.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Non-Hispanic male	25,838,990	34.4	33.2	9.6	23.6	0.0 *	2.9	1.1	1.8
Non-Hispanic female	26,962,200	26.6	26.0	9.2	16.7	2.0	0.6 *	0.2 *	0.4 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

The term "Urban" is used to denote "Central cities."

The term "Suburban" is used to denote "Outside central cities."

The term "Rural" is used to denote "Nonmetropolitan areas."

Excludes data on persons of "Other" races and data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 54. Personal crimes, 1997: (continued)

Locality of residence, race, gender and ethnicity	Assault			Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
	Total	Aggra- vated	Simple	
<b>All areas</b>				
White male	38.7	10.6	28.1	1.5
White female	27.7	5.9	21.9	1.4
Black male	46.8	14.7	32.1	2.3 *
Black female	34.1	10.1	24.0	4.1
Hispanic male	40.5	12.8	27.7	1.8 *
Hispanic female	28.4	8.0	20.4	3.0
Non-Hispanic male	38.9	10.7	28.3	1.5
Non-Hispanic female	27.4	6.1	21.3	1.6
<b>Urban</b>				
White male	51.1	16.3	34.8	2.1
White female	35.7	7.7	28.0	2.9
Black male	51.2	15.3	35.9	3.4 *
Black female	38.7	17.1	21.6	5.6
Hispanic male	42.9	16.4	26.5	3.1 *
Hispanic female	27.7	8.6	19.1	2.6 *
Non-Hispanic male	50.8	15.7	35.1	2.1
Non-Hispanic female	35.0	9.3	25.8	3.7
<b>Suburban</b>				
White male	36.9	8.4	28.5	1.2
White female	25.8	5.4	20.4	1.1
Black male	47.4	15.8	31.6	1.7 *
Black female	32.9	2.3 *	30.5	2.3 *
Hispanic male	37.0	9.0	28.0	0.9 *
Hispanic female	29.5	7.9	21.6	4.2 *
Non-Hispanic male	37.3	8.8	28.5	1.4
Non-Hispanic female	25.3	5.0	20.3	0.9
<b>Rural</b>				
White male	30.7	9.2	21.5	1.4
White female	24.0	5.0	18.9	0.4 *
Black male	33.2	11.2 *	22.0	0.0 *
Black female	21.9	1.1 *	20.8	2.3 *
Hispanic male	44.9	13.3 *	31.6	0.0 *
Hispanic female	26.7	5.0 *	21.7 *	0.0 *
Non-Hispanic male	30.3	9.0	21.3	1.2
Non-Hispanic female	23.4	4.7	18.7	0.6 *

Table 55. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by locality of residence,  
race of head of household and type of crime**

Locality and race	Total households	Rate per 1,000 households			
		Property crimes	Household burglary	Motor vehicle theft	Theft
<b>All areas</b>					
White	87,680,170	242.3	42.3	11.9	188.1
Black	12,821,410	292.0	62.5	24.1	205.3
<b>Urban</b>					
White	22,443,710	310.9	54.6	16.7	239.5
Black	7,036,140	327.0	68.1	30.6	228.3
<b>Suburban</b>					
White	41,929,490	233.8	36.8	12.5	184.4
Black	3,715,630	297.0	63.1	19.8	214.1
<b>Rural</b>					
White	23,306,970	191.6	40.2	6.1	145.3
Black	2,069,640	163.8	42.4	9.9 *	111.5

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

The term "Urban" is used to denote "Central cities."

The term "Suburban" is used to denote "Outside central cities."

The term "Rural" is used to denote "Nonmetropolitan areas."

Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

Table 56. Property crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates by type of crime, form of tenure, race of head of household, and locality of residence**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	Owned or being bought				White			
	All races/a				White			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>211.7</b>	<b>288.5</b>	<b>204.9</b>	<b>161.7</b>	<b>206.9</b>	<b>284.5</b>	<b>201.9</b>	<b>162.2</b>
Household burglary	35.8	50.9	31.6	31.0	34.1	50.6	29.7	30.4
Completed	30.2	42.9	26.5	26.5	28.9	43.0	25.2	25.8
Forcible entry	11.2	18.2	9.7	8.4	10.0	17.0	8.8	7.4
Unlawful entry without force	18.9	24.7	16.8	18.1	18.9	26.0	16.4	18.5
Attempted forcible entry	5.6	8.0	5.1	4.5	5.2	7.7	4.6	4.6
Motor vehicle theft	11.1	19.1	10.1	6.5	9.7	15.5	9.2	6.7
Completed	7.7	13.1	6.6	5.3	6.6	10.0	6.0	5.3
Attempted	3.5	6.1	3.6	1.2 *	3.1	5.4	3.2	1.3 *
Theft	164.8	218.4	163.2	124.3	163.1	218.4	162.9	125.1
Completed	158.4	206.0	158.2	120.3	156.7	204.9	157.9	121.2
Less than \$50	63.1	75.5	62.1	54.8	62.3	77.0	61.5	53.6
\$50 - \$249	54.6	74.9	53.8	39.5	53.9	74.8	53.7	39.9
\$250 or more	31.6	43.8	32.7	19.6	31.5	42.4	33.3	20.8
Amount not available	9.2	11.8	9.5	6.4	9.0	10.6	9.5	7.0
Attempted	6.4	12.5	5.0	4.0	6.4	13.5	5.0	3.9
Total number of households	67,512,040	15,152,880	33,597,600	18,761,560	60,089,030	11,954,230	30,820,790	17,314,000

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	Owned or being bought				Rented			
	Black				All races/a			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>251.7</b>	<b>306.2</b>	<b>261.5</b>	<b>117.8</b>	<b>316.0</b>	<b>332.8</b>	<b>319.6</b>	<b>271.5</b>
Household burglary	53.3	54.4	61.2	38.7	60.9	62.6	56.9	64.8
Completed	43.1	45.1	45.6	34.8	50.9	52.3	45.7	57.7
Forcible entry	22.6	24.3	21.3	20.7 *	20.3	21.8	20.2	16.8
Unlawful entry without force	20.5	20.8	24.3	14.1 *	30.6	30.5	25.5	40.9
Attempted forcible entry	10.2	9.3 *	15.5	3.8 *	10.0	10.3	11.1	7.1
Motor vehicle theft	23.2	33.4	20.4	5.2 *	18.7	22.1	20.9	6.6
Completed	17.9	24.8	16.3	5.2 *	13.4	15.9	15.2	4.3
Attempted	5.3	8.6 *	4.0 *	0.0 *	5.3	6.3	5.6	2.2 *
Theft	175.3	218.4	179.9	74.0	236.5	248.0	241.8	200.1
Completed	170.7	210.5	177.2	74.0	226.7	236.7	233.6	190.8
Less than \$50	62.4	66.2	73.7	36.5	81.2	87.3	81.4	67.0
\$50 - \$249	63.1	77.6	62.3	33.0	82.1	81.0	88.3	72.4
\$250 or more	33.1	49.6	28.5	4.4 *	50.0	52.4	52.0	40.9
Amount not available	12.1	17.1	12.7 *	0.0 *	13.4	16.0	11.8	10.4
Attempted	4.6 *	7.9 *	2.7 *	0.0 *	9.8	11.3	8.3	9.4
Total number of households	5,725,960	2,644,870	1,869,940	1,211,150	36,476,630	15,832,480	13,597,130	7,047,010

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	Rented				Black			
	White				Black			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>319.4</b>	<b>341.0</b>	<b>322.2</b>	<b>276.6</b>	<b>324.4</b>	<b>339.6</b>	<b>333.0</b>	<b>228.6</b>
Household burglary	60.1	59.2	56.5	68.4	70.0	76.4	65.1	47.6
Completed	50.0	48.3	46.0	60.4	59.1	66.4	48.4	44.9
Forcible entry	17.3	16.9	19.0	14.9	31.6	33.2	28.5	30.1 *
Unlawful entry without force	32.6	31.3	27.0	45.5	27.5	33.2	19.8	14.7 *
Attempted forcible entry	10.1	10.9	10.5	8.0	10.9	10.0	16.8	2.8 *
Motor vehicle theft	16.6	18.2	21.6	4.5 *	24.9	29.0	19.1	16.6 *
Completed	11.7	12.5	15.6	3.2 *	18.8	21.9	13.9 *	13.3 *
Attempted	4.9	5.7	6.0	1.3 *	6.1	7.1	5.2 *	3.4 *
Theft	242.7	263.6	244.1	203.7	229.5	234.2	248.7	164.4
Completed	232.1	250.7	235.0	194.1	223.3	226.2	244.9	161.9
Less than \$50	82.3	88.9	82.6	70.4	83.1	93.2	75.8	47.1
\$50 - \$249	84.4	87.7	87.0	73.8	81.0	72.4	109.2	64.6
\$250 or more	53.4	58.7	55.4	40.2	41.1	42.7	39.2	36.9
Amount not available	12.0	15.4	10.1	9.6	18.0	17.8	20.8	13.3 *
Attempted	10.6	12.9	9.0	9.7	6.3	8.1	3.8 *	2.5 *
Total number of households	27,591,140	10,489,470	11,108,700	5,992,970	7,095,450	4,391,270	1,845,700	858,490

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

Table 57. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Victimization rates for persons age 12 and over,  
by type of crime, region and locality of residence**

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
	All regions				Northeast			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>52.5</b>	<b>29.3</b>	<b>32.8</b>
Crimes of violence	39.2	51.8	36.4	30.0	34.6	48.2	27.5	32.2
Completed violence	12.2	16.8	10.8	9.6	10.6	16.2	7.1	11.5
Attempted/threatened violence	27.0	35.0	25.6	20.4	24.0	31.9	20.4	20.8
Rape/Sexual assault/a	1.4	2.0	1.2	1.0	1.2	2.2	1.1 *	0.0 *
Robbery	4.3	7.6	3.6	1.8	4.1	7.7	2.3	3.2 *
Completed/property taken	2.8	5.0	2.1	1.5	2.4	4.9	1.0 *	2.7 *
With injury	1.1	2.0	0.8	0.6	1.2	1.9 *	0.5 *	1.8 *
Without injury	1.7	3.0	1.3	0.9	1.3	3.0	0.4 *	0.9 *
Attempted to take property	1.5	2.6	1.5	0.3 *	1.6	2.8	1.3	0.5 *
With injury	0.3	0.7	0.3 *	0.1 *	0.1 *	0.0 *	0.1 *	0.0 *
Without injury	1.2	1.9	1.3	0.2 *	1.6	2.8	1.2 *	0.5 *
Assault	33.5	42.1	31.6	27.2	29.3	38.3	24.2	29.1
Aggravated	8.6	12.6	7.0	7.0	5.5	8.8	4.1	3.7 *
With injury	2.7	3.9	2.1	2.4	1.9	2.6	1.4	2.4 *
Threatened with weapon	5.9	8.6	4.9	4.6	3.5	6.2	2.6	1.3 *
Simple	24.9	29.5	24.6	20.2	23.8	29.4	20.1	25.3
With minor injury	5.7	6.4	5.7	4.9	5.2	7.1	3.7	6.4
Without injury	19.2	23.1	18.9	15.3	18.6	22.4	16.4	19.0
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	1.6	2.9	1.2	0.9	2.4	4.4	1.8	0.6 *
Population age 12 and over	219,839,110	62,659,520	101,808,820	55,370,770	41,935,440	12,768,500	22,230,450	6,936,490

  

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over							
	Midwest				South			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>37.9</b>	<b>58.3</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>51.9</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>31.8</b>
Crimes of violence	36.4	54.9	34.9	23.8	38.1	49.0	37.3	30.2
Completed violence	11.3	15.5	10.0	9.7	12.7	17.5	11.7	10.0
Attempted/threatened violence	25.1	39.4	24.8	14.2	25.4	31.5	25.6	20.2
Rape/Sexual assault/a	1.3	1.1 *	2.0	0.6 *	1.4	2.9	0.9	0.9 *
Robbery	3.4	7.2	2.6	1.5 *	4.4	7.5	4.5	1.7
Completed/property taken	2.4	5.1	1.5	1.5 *	3.0	5.1	2.8	1.5
With injury	1.1	2.5	0.5 *	0.7 *	1.0	2.1	0.8 *	0.4 *
Without injury	1.3	2.7	0.9 *	0.8 *	1.9	3.0	1.9	1.1 *
Attempted to take property	1.0	2.1 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	1.4	2.4	1.7	0.2 *
With injury	0.1 *	0.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.5	1.0 *	0.5 *	0.1 *
Without injury	0.9	1.7 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	0.9	1.4 *	1.2	0.1 *
Assault	31.7	46.6	30.2	21.8	32.3	38.7	31.9	27.6
Aggravated	8.3	13.3	6.4	6.8	8.8	12.6	7.3	7.6
With injury	2.9	3.9	2.2	3.2	2.9	4.8	2.2	2.4
Threatened with weapon	5.3	9.3	4.3	3.7	5.9	7.8	5.2	5.3
Simple	23.4	33.3	23.8	15.0	23.5	26.1	24.6	20.0
With minor injury	5.3	6.0	5.5	4.5	5.8	5.8	6.0	5.6
Without injury	18.1	27.3	18.4	10.5	17.7	20.3	18.5	14.4
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	1.5	3.4	1.1 *	0.5 *	1.8	2.9	1.2	1.6
Population age 12 and over	53,268,360	13,411,410	23,050,740	16,806,220	78,232,420	20,016,000	33,679,830	24,536,590

  

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons age 12 and over			
	West			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>56.6</b>	<b>46.4</b>	<b>41.6</b>
Crimes of violence	48.4	55.3	45.5	41.6
Completed violence	13.9	17.3	13.9	5.9
Attempted/threatened violence	34.5	38.0	31.6	35.7
Rape/Sexual assault/a	1.7	1.7	1.1 *	3.7 *
Robbery	5.4	8.1	4.7	1.4 *
Completed/property taken	3.1	4.9	2.7	0.4 *
With injury	1.3	1.7	1.3	0.0 *
Without injury	1.9	3.2	1.4	0.4 *
Attempted to take property	2.3	3.2	2.0	1.0 *
With injury	0.5 *	1.1 *	0.3 *	0.0 *
Without injury	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.0 *
Assault	41.3	45.5	39.7	36.6
Aggravated	11.4	14.8	9.8	8.3
With injury	2.9	4.0	2.7	0.9 *
Threatened with weapon	8.5	10.8	7.2	7.5
Simple	29.9	30.7	29.9	28.2
With minor injury	6.5	7.0	7.5	2.0 *
Without injury	23.4	23.7	22.4	26.2
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	0.9	1.3 *	0.9 *	0.0 *
Population age 12 and over	46,402,880	16,463,610	22,847,800	7,091,470

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 58. Property crimes, 1997:

Victimization rates by type of crime, region and locality of residence

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	All regions				Northeast			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>248.3</b>	<b>311.1</b>	<b>238.0</b>	<b>191.7</b>	<b>195.6</b>	<b>221.6</b>	<b>185.3</b>	<b>178.6</b>
Household burglary	44.6	56.9	38.9	40.2	28.5	38.3	23.6	25.2
Completed	37.4	47.7	32.0	35.0	23.5	32.2	19.1	20.9
Forcible entry	14.4	20.1	12.7	10.7	8.4	10.1	8.4	5.3 *
Unlawful entry without force	23.0	27.6	19.3	24.3	15.1	22.1	10.7	15.6
Attempted forcible entry	7.1	9.2	6.9	5.2	5.0	6.2	4.5	4.3 *
Motor vehicle theft	13.8	20.7	13.2	6.5	11.2	17.0	10.5	2.6 *
Completed	9.7	14.5	9.1	5.0	7.1	12.2	5.9	1.2 *
Attempted	4.1	6.2	4.2	1.5	4.1	4.7	4.6	1.4 *
Theft	189.9	233.6	185.8	145.0	155.9	166.3	151.1	150.8
Completed	182.3	221.7	179.9	139.5	149.4	158.3	146.0	143.3
Less than \$50	69.4	81.6	67.6	58.1	55.7	53.9	57.6	53.0
\$50 - \$249	64.2	78.0	63.8	48.5	52.7	58.7	50.2	49.4
\$250 or more	38.0	48.2	38.3	25.4	29.4	30.1	28.9	29.7
Amount not available	10.6	13.9	10.2	7.5	11.6	15.6	9.3	11.3
Attempted	7.6	11.9	5.9	5.4	6.5	8.1	5.2	7.5 *
Total number of households	103,988,670	30,985,370	47,194,730	25,808,570	20,039,640	6,332,250	10,369,500	3,337,880

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households							
	Midwest				South			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>219.9</b>	<b>278.6</b>	<b>202.7</b>	<b>192.2</b>	<b>253.8</b>	<b>351.1</b>	<b>251.0</b>	<b>172.7</b>
Household burglary	41.8	56.5	36.3	36.7	48.7	62.5	44.6	42.4
Completed	34.6	46.9	28.8	32.1	41.1	53.0	37.6	35.5
Forcible entry	12.7	20.2	9.4	10.8	16.3	25.0	14.5	11.1
Unlawful entry without force	21.9	26.6	19.4	21.3	24.8	28.0	23.0	24.4
Attempted forcible entry	7.2	9.6	7.5	4.6	7.7	9.5	7.0	6.9
Motor vehicle theft	8.7	12.8	8.8	4.7	15.3	26.0	13.8	8.0
Completed	6.5	9.6	6.7	3.5 *	10.7	17.5	9.4	6.7
Attempted	2.1	3.2 *	2.2 *	1.2 *	4.5	8.5	4.4	1.3 *
Theft	169.4	209.3	157.6	150.8	189.8	262.6	192.6	122.3
Completed	162.9	199.3	153.7	143.8	183.0	249.2	186.7	120.0
Less than \$50	60.6	75.1	50.9	61.4	69.4	93.2	69.6	48.4
\$50 - \$249	58.5	64.6	57.7	54.2	64.1	87.2	65.3	42.2
\$250 or more	33.7	49.8	34.3	18.9	39.7	54.2	41.4	24.6
Amount not available	10.1	9.8	10.8	9.3	9.8	14.6	10.4	4.8
Attempted	6.5	10.0	3.9	7.0	6.9	13.4	6.0	2.3 *
Total number of households	25,474,750	6,836,020	10,862,120	7,776,610	37,234,080	10,012,610	15,757,740	11,463,730

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 households			
	West			
	All areas	Urban	Suburban	Rural
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>322.2</b>	<b>360.8</b>	<b>308.9</b>	<b>271.1</b>
Household burglary	55.7	64.9	48.4	56.3
Completed	47.5	54.2	40.1	54.8
Forcible entry	18.7	21.7	17.7	14.5
Unlawful entry without force	28.8	32.5	22.4	40.2
Attempted forcible entry	8.2	10.7	8.3	1.5 *
Motor vehicle theft	19.7	23.8	19.8	9.6
Completed	14.1	16.8	14.5	6.4 *
Attempted	5.7	7.0	5.4	3.2 *
Theft	246.8	272.1	240.6	205.1
Completed	235.6	257.4	231.8	194.6
Less than \$50	93.0	94.9	92.5	89.8
\$50 - \$249	82.2	93.6	81.7	56.0
\$250 or more	48.5	53.6	47.4	39.6
Amount not available	11.9	15.3	10.1	9.1
Attempted	11.2	14.7	8.8	10.6
Total number of households	21,240,200	7,804,480	10,205,370	3,230,340

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 The term "Urban" is used to denote "Central cities."  
 The term "Suburban" is used to denote "Outside central cities."  
 The term "Rural" is used to denote "Nonmetropolitan areas."  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 59. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by type of crime and time of occurrence**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	Daytime 6 a.m.- 6 p.m.	Nighttime			Not known	Not known and not available
				Total	6 p.m. - midnight	Midnight - 6 a.m.		
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>52.8 %</b>	<b>45.7 %</b>	<b>34.5 %</b>	<b>10.8 %</b>	<b>0.4 %</b>	<b>1.5 %</b>
Completed violence	2,458,080	100	44.4	54.1	38.1	15.6	0.3 *	1.5
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100	56.6	42.0	32.9	8.7	0.4 *	1.5
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100	34.5	63.6	33.2	29.8	0.7 *	1.8 *
Robbery	882,600	100	42.3	55.8	42.7	12.6	0.5 *	1.8 *
Completed/property taken	564,590	100	38.8	58.3	46.0	12.3	0.0 *	2.9 *
With injury	228,790	100	34.4	63.2	50.6	12.6	0.0 *	2.4 *
Without injury	335,800	100	41.8	55.0	43.0	12.1	0.0 *	3.2 *
Attempted to take property	318,010	100	48.6	51.4	36.8	13.2	1.5 *	0.0 *
With injury	68,360	100	27.6 *	72.4	53.2	19.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Without injury	249,660	100	54.3	45.7	32.3	11.6	1.9 *	0.0 *
Assault	6,723,290	100	55.0	43.6	33.5	9.7	0.3 *	1.4
Aggravated	1,660,460	100	45.5	53.4	40.5	12.8	0.1 *	1.1 *
Simple	5,062,830	100	58.1	40.3	31.2	8.7	0.4 *	1.5
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	100	68.5	28.5	23.3	4.5 *	0.7 *	3.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>37.5 %</b>	<b>37.5 %</b>	<b>14.0 %</b>	<b>14.2 %</b>	<b>9.3 %</b>	<b>25.0 %</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	100	35.0	30.2	12.9	10.9	6.4	34.8
Completed	3,892,970	100	37.4	27.9	12.8	9.1	6.0	34.7
Forcible entry	1,497,370	100	42.6	32.3	14.3	9.9	8.0	25.2
Unlawful entry without force	2,395,600	100	34.1	25.1	11.8	8.6	4.7	40.7
Attempted forcible entry	741,960	100	22.6	42.3	13.6	20.4	8.3	35.1
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	22.7	64.8	19.3	33.5	12.0	12.5
Completed	1,006,960	100	27.0	60.0	16.6	31.9	11.5	13.1
Attempted	426,410	100	12.6	76.3	25.6	37.4	13.3	11.1
Theft	19,748,840	100	39.1	37.2	13.9	13.6	9.8	23.6
Completed	18,960,020	100	39.4	36.4	13.5	13.2	9.7	24.1
Less than \$50	7,218,020	100	44.2	30.4	11.3	10.0	9.1	25.4
\$50 - \$249	6,680,070	100	40.0	37.4	15.5	12.5	9.4	22.6
\$250 or more	3,955,010	100	31.6	46.7	14.8	21.5	10.3	21.7
Amount not available	1,106,910	100	32.6	33.8	10.3	9.3	14.1	33.7
Attempted	788,820	100	32.2	55.8	23.6	22.0	10.2	12.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

**Table 60. Personal robbery and assault  
by armed or unarmed offenders, 1997:**

**Percent distribution of incidents, by type of crime,  
type of offender and time of occurrence**

Type of crime and offender	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	Daytime 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Nighttime			Not known	Not known and not available
				Total	6 p.m.- midnight	Midnight - 6 a.m.		
<b>Robbery</b>								
By armed offenders	415,990	100 %	38.3 %	60.5 %	43.5 %	15.9 %	1.1 %*	1.2 %*
By unarmed offenders	342,010	100 %	46.9	49.8	40.7	9.1	0.0 *	3.3 *
<b>Assault</b>								
By armed offenders	1,571,690	100 %	45.8	53.2	40.8	12.2	0.2 *	1.0 *
By unarmed offenders	4,671,640	100 %	58.1	40.4	30.8	9.1	0.4 *	1.5

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data in which the presence of a weapon was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.



Table 61. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by type of crime and place of occurrence**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	At or in respondent's home	Near home	On the street near home	At, in, or near a friend's relative's or neighbor's home	Inside a restaurant, bar, or nightclub	Other commercial building
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>15.4 %</b>	<b>9.8 %</b>	<b>3.6 %</b>	<b>8.6 %</b>	<b>5.3 %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>
Completed violence	2,458,080	100	23.5	5.8	2.9	10.9	4.2	5.4
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100	11.7	11.6	4.0	7.5	5.8	9.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100	34.4	2.4 *	1.8 *	27.7	3.0 *	5.0 *
Robbery	882,600	100	15.1	4.4	4.7	5.1	2.2 *	3.7
Completed/property taken	564,590	100	15.8	3.8 *	5.2	5.0	0.6 *	4.5 *
With injury	228,790	100	19.3	3.2 *	4.8 *	7.6 *	0.8 *	2.3 *
Without injury	335,800	100	13.4	4.1 *	5.5 *	3.2 *	0.5 *	6.0 *
Attempted to take property	318,010	100	13.9	5.4 *	3.8 *	5.3 *	5.0 *	2.2 *
With injury	68,360	100	18.2 *	9.1 *	0.0 *	7.3 *	1.8 *	0.0 *
Without injury	249,660	100	12.7	4.4 *	4.8 *	4.8 *	5.9 *	2.8 *
Assault	6,723,290	100	14.6	10.8	3.6	8.2	5.8	8.5
Aggravated	1,660,460	100	15.1	12.2	3.8	9.5	5.2	6.0
Simple	5,062,830	100	14.4	10.4	3.5	7.7	6.0	9.4
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	100	2.7 *	3.7 *	2.3 *	5.2 *	8.1	24.1
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	0.6 *	29.5	18.5	4.1	...	0.1 *
Completed	1,006,960	100	0.8 *	30.1	16.3	4.9	...	0.2 *
Attempted	426,410	100	0.0 *	28.0	23.7	2.4 *	...	0.0 *
Theft	19,748,840	100	9.5	29.7	5.6	3.5	1.6	6.3

Type of crime	Percent of incidents					
	Parking lot or garage	Inside school building/school property	In apartment yard, park, field, or playground	On street other than near own home	On public transportation or inside station	Other
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>6.8 %</b>	<b>12.9 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>18.1 %</b>	<b>1.2 %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>
Completed violence	7.6	10.7	2.4	19.3	1.3	6.0
Attempted/threatened violence	6.5	13.9	2.6	17.6	1.2	8.7
Rape/Sexual assault/a	5.4 *	3.0 *	1.5 *	5.2 *	2.5 *	8.1 *
Robbery	11.6	5.9	0.8 *	35.4	3.5	7.7
Completed/property taken	12.0	6.2	0.2 *	35.7	3.2 *	7.8
With injury	7.8 *	5.5 *	0.6 *	37.4	2.1 *	8.5 *
Without injury	14.8	6.7 *	0.0 *	34.5	3.9 *	7.3 *
Attempted to take property	11.0	5.2 *	1.8 *	34.7	4.1 *	7.6 *
With injury	16.9 *	0.0 *	3.4 *	36.4 *	0.0 *	6.8 *
Without injury	9.4 *	6.6 *	1.3 *	34.3	5.2 *	7.8 *
Assault	6.3	14.2	2.8	16.5	0.9	7.9
Aggravated	7.0	5.6	3.3	23.6	0.9 *	7.7
Simple	6.1	17.1	2.6	14.1	0.8	8.0
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	5.6 *	11.2	1.1 *	16.6	12.3	6.9 *
Motor vehicle theft	32.3	0.6 *	0.4 *	11.2	0.0 *	2.5
Completed	32.2	0.0 *	0.6 *	12.2	0.0 *	2.3 *
Attempted	32.4	1.9 *	0.0 *	8.7	0.0 *	2.9 *
Theft	15.4	12.4	1.3	4.9	0.8	8.9

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

... Not applicable

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

**Table 62. Personal robbery and assault  
by armed or unarmed offenders, 1997:**

**Percent distribution of incidents, by type of crime,  
type of offender and place of occurrence**

Type of crime and offender	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	At or in respondent's home	Near home	On the street near home	At, in, or near a friend's relative's or neighbor's home	Inside a restaurant, bar, or nightclub	Other commercial building
<b>Robbery</b>								
By armed offenders	415,990	100 %	10.5 %	4.5 %*	4.7 %*	2.6 %*	3.0 %*	4.2 %*
By unarmed offenders	342,010	100 %	25.3	4.5 *	3.3 *	8.0 *	1.1 *	3.8 *
<b>Assault</b>								
By armed offenders	1,571,690	100 %	14.7	12.3	3.6	9.7	4.7	6.2
By unarmed offenders	4,671,640	100 %	15.0	9.9	3.3	8.2	6.2	9.2

Type of crime and offender	Parking lot or garage	Percent of incidents					Other
		Inside school building/on school property	In apartment yard, park, field, or playground	On street other than near own home	On public trans- portation or inside station		
<b>Robbery</b>							
By armed offenders	14.1 %	4.2 %*	1.7 %*	39.8 %	3.5 %*	7.2 %	
By unarmed offenders	11.1	10.0	0.0 *	21.2	2.8 *	8.9	
<b>Assault</b>							
By armed offenders	7.3	5.6	2.9	23.9	1.0 *	8.0	
By unarmed offenders	5.7	17.8	2.9	13.0	0.8	8.0	

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
Excludes incidents in which the presence of a weapon was not ascertained.  
\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 63. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by victim-offender relationship, type of crime and place of occurrence**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	At or in respondent's home	Near home	On the street near home	At, in, or near a friend's relative's or neighbor's home	Inside a restaurant, bar, or nightclub	Other commercial building
<b>Involving strangers</b>								
Crimes of violence	3,869,220	100 %	3.3 %	8.0 %	5.0 %	4.4 %	7.0 %	8.9 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	97,400	100 %	10.4 *	5.6 *	2.0 *	19.1 *	0.0 *	7.6 *
Robbery	646,700	100 %	4.7	4.5	4.5	2.6 *	1.2 *	3.4 *
Assault	3,125,120	100 %	2.8	8.8	5.2	4.3	8.4	10.0
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>								
Crimes of violence	4,042,300	100 %	26.9	11.5	2.4	12.5	3.7	6.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	208,220	100 %	45.7	0.9 *	1.7 *	31.7	4.3 *	3.7 *
Robbery	235,900	100 %	43.5	3.9 *	5.2 *	12.1	4.8 *	4.5 *
Assault	3,598,170	100 %	24.7	12.6	2.2	11.5	3.6	7.3

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of incidents					
	Parking lot or garage	Inside school building/on school property	In apartment yard, park, field, or playground	On street other than near own home	On public transportation or inside station	Other
<b>Involving strangers</b>						
Crimes of violence	9.9 %	8.7 %	2.5 %	29.9 %	2.3 %	10.1 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	11.6 *	4.5 *	2.4 *	16.5 *	7.8 *	12.5 *
Robbery	15.0	2.7 *	0.7 *	45.7	4.8	10.0
Assault	8.8	10.1	2.9	27.0	1.6	10.0
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>						
Crimes of violence	3.9	16.9	2.5	6.9	0.1 *	5.8
Rape/Sexual assault/a	2.5 *	2.2 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	6.0 *
Robbery	2.3 *	14.4	1.0 *	7.0 *	0.0 *	1.3 *
Assault	4.1	17.9	2.7	7.3	0.2 *	6.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 64. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by victim's activity at time of incident and type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents					
		Total	Working or on duty	On the way to or from work	On the way to or from school	On the way to or from some other place	Shopping or running errands
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>16.1 %</b>	<b>4.7 %</b>	<b>3.3 %</b>	<b>8.7 %</b>	<b>4.0 %</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100	8.6 *	2.5 *	3.7 *	5.7 *	0.0 *
Robbery	882,600	100	4.9	10.2	3.7	19.2	7.4
Aggravated assault	1,660,460	100	14.6	5.8	3.3	10.7	2.8
Simple assault	5,062,830	100	19.0	3.6	3.2	6.3	4.1
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	100	2.2 *	5.2 *	1.2 *	12.0	29.0
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>15.7 %</b>	<b>0.8 %</b>	<b>0.3 %</b>	<b>1.1 %</b>	<b>4.7 %</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	100	22.3	0.9	0.1 *	1.5	3.5
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	12.4	0.5 *	0.0 *	0.6 *	3.8
Theft	19,748,840	100	14.3	0.7	0.3	1.1	5.0

Type of crime	Percent of incidents						
	Attending school	Leisure activity away from home	Sleeping	Other activities at home	Other	Don't know	Not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>8.3 %</b>	<b>22.3 %</b>	<b>2.1 %</b>	<b>21.1 %</b>	<b>8.9 %</b>	<b>0.4 %</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.6 *	30.6	11.7	26.1	10.5	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	3.9	21.9	1.6 *	12.1	13.6	1.5 *	0.0 *
Aggravated assault	3.3	25.7	2.9	24.3	6.4	0.1 *	0.0 *
Simple assault	11.2	20.8	1.4	21.2	8.8	0.3 *	0.0 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	9.5	26.1	0.7 *	3.5 *	10.6	0.0 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>6.7 %</b>	<b>14.9 %</b>	<b>21.5 %</b>	<b>11.4 %</b>	<b>5.6 %</b>	<b>17.5 %</b>	<b>0.0 %</b>
Household burglary	0.9	19.4	12.3	9.0	7.3	22.9	0.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	0.7 *	11.8	47.5	11.9	4.4	6.2	0.0 *
Theft	8.5	14.1	21.8	11.9	5.2	17.1	0.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 65. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents,  
by distance from home and type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents			
		Total	Inside home or lodging	Near respondent's home	One mile from home or less
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>15.4 %</b>	<b>15.5 %</b>	<b>20.0 %</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100	34.4	7.8 *	19.0
Robbery	882,600	100	15.1	10.5	29.9
Assault	6,723,290	100	14.6	16.5	18.7
Aggravated	1,660,460	100	15.3	19.5	17.5
Simple	5,062,830	100	14.4	15.5	19.1
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	100	2.7 *	7.7 *	17.5
<b>Property crimes</b>					
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	0.6 *	61.5	5.6
Theft	19,748,840	100	9.7	41.2	8.8

Type of crime	Percent of incidents			
	Five miles from home or less	Fifty miles from home or less	More than 50 miles from home	Don't know or not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>23.8 %</b>	<b>21.3 %</b>	<b>3.5 %</b>	<b>0.5 %</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	15.1	16.0	6.9 *	0.8 *
Robbery	26.9	12.5	4.1	0.9 *
Assault	23.7	22.7	3.3	0.5
Aggravated	20.7	22.6	4.2	0.1 *
Simple	24.7	22.7	3.0	0.6
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	33.5	29.8	7.2 *	1.6 *
<b>Property crimes</b>				
Motor vehicle theft	12.2	14.8	4.4	0.9 *
Theft	16.4	17.4	4.2	2.2

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 66. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of incidents, by victim-offender relationship, type of crime and weapons use**

All incidents	Percent of incidents						
	Total incidents		No weapon used	Weapon used			
	Number	Percent		Total	Total firearm	Hand gun	Other gun
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>7,911,520</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>66.7 %</b>	<b>25.4 %</b>	<b>8.6 %</b>	<b>7.2 %</b>	<b>1.3 %</b>
Completed violence	2,458,080	100	64.7	29.4	8.7	7.4	1.2
Attempted/threatened violence	5,453,430	100	67.6	23.6	8.6	7.2	1.3
Rape/Sexual assault/a	305,620	100	85.5	7.2 *	2.4 *	2.4 *	0.0 *
Robbery	882,600	100	38.7	47.1	23.0	21.0	1.9 *
Completed/property taken	564,590	100	38.6	48.4	24.6	21.6	3.0 *
With injury	228,790	100	48.0	37.8	10.8 *	10.8 *	0.0 *
Without injury	335,800	100	32.2	55.6	33.9	28.9	5.0 *
Attempted to take property	318,010	100	39.0	44.9	20.1	20.1	0.0 *
With injury	68,360	100	43.0	45.0	19.5 *	19.5 *	0.0 *
Without injury	249,660	100	37.9	44.9	20.3	20.3	0.0 *
Assault	6,723,290	100	69.5	23.4	7.0	5.6	1.3
Aggravated	1,660,460	100	4.5	94.7	28.4	22.8	5.1
With injury	520,810	100	14.5	83.0	12.9	10.0	2.5 *
Threatened with weapon	1,139,650	100	...	100.0	35.4	28.6	6.2
Simple/b	5,062,830	100	90.8	...	...	...	...
With minor injury	1,154,650	100	95.4	...	...	...	...
Without injury	3,908,180	100	89.4	...	...	...	...
<b>Involving strangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	3,869,220	100	55.9	31.9	12.5	10.8	1.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	97,400	100	66.5	15.2 *	5.0 *	5.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	646,700	100	29.3	52.6	30.7	28.4	2.3 *
Aggravated assault	922,990	100	3.8	95.3	30.3	24.8	5.3
Simple assault/b	2,202,130	100	85.1	...	...	...	...
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	4,042,300	100	77.0	19.2	4.9	3.8	0.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	208,220	100	94.4	3.4 *	1.2 *	1.2 *	0.0 *
Robbery	235,900	100	64.6	32.0	1.8 *	1.0 *	0.8 *
Aggravated assault	737,470	100	5.5	93.8	25.9	20.3	4.8
Simple assault/b	2,860,700	100	95.2	...	...	...	...

All incidents	Percent of incidents						
	Weapon used						
	Gun type unknown	Knife	Sharp object	Blunt object	Other weapon	Weapon type unknown	Don't know if weapon present
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>	<b>4.9 %</b>	<b>1.1 %</b>	<b>4.2 %</b>	<b>5.7 %</b>	<b>0.9 %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>
Completed violence	0.1 *	5.4	0.9 *	6.2	6.7	1.6	5.9
Attempted/threatened violence	0.1 *	4.7	1.2	3.2	5.3	0.6	8.8
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.6 *	0.0 *	3.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.3 *
Robbery	0.0 *	12.0	1.2 *	5.6	3.7	1.8 *	14.1
Completed/property taken	0.0 *	11.3	1.1 *	5.4	3.8 *	2.3 *	13.0
With injury	0.0 *	7.4 *	1.2 *	9.0 *	8.3 *	1.0 *	14.2
Without injury	0.0 *	13.9	1.0 *	2.9 *	0.7 *	3.2 *	12.2
Attempted to take property	0.0 *	13.4	1.3 *	5.9 *	3.4 *	0.8 *	16.1
With injury	0.0 *	14.9 *	3.1 *	3.5 *	4.1 *	0.0 *	12.0 *
Without injury	0.0 *	13.0	0.9 *	6.6 *	3.2 *	1.0 *	17.2
Assault	0.1 *	4.1	1.2	4.0	6.2	0.8	7.1
Aggravated	0.5 *	16.8	4.7	16.2	25.2	3.4	0.8 *
With injury	0.4 *	12.8	2.9 *	22.1	27.3	4.9 *	2.5 *
Threatened with weapon	0.6 *	18.6	5.5	13.6	24.2	2.7	0.0 *
Simple/b	...	...	...	...	...	...	9.2
With minor injury	...	...	...	...	...	...	4.6
Without injury	...	...	...	...	...	...	10.6
<b>Involving strangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	0.1 *	5.7	1.0	4.7	7.2	0.8	12.2
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	7.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	18.3 *
Robbery	0.0 *	10.8	1.1 *	4.5	3.5 *	2.0 *	18.1
Aggravated assault	0.2 *	16.3	3.3	15.9	27.8	1.8 *	0.9 *
Simple assault/b	...	...	...	...	...	...	14.9
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	0.2 *	4.1	1.3	3.6	4.3	1.0	3.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	1.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	2.2 *
Robbery	0.0 *	15.5	1.4 *	8.4 *	4.0 *	1.0 *	3.3 *
Aggravated assault	0.9 *	17.4	6.4	16.7	22.0	5.3	0.7 *
Simple assault/b	...	...	...	...	...	...	4.8

Note: Responses for weapons use are tallied once, based upon a hierarchy. In previous editions, multiple responses for weapons were tallied.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

...Not applicable.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

b/Simple assault, by definition, does not involve the use of a weapon.

Table 67. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of violent crime victimizations  
by who was first to use or threaten to use physical force**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations					
	Total crimes using force	Respondent was first to use force	Offender was first to use force	Someone else was first to use force	Don't know who was first to use force	Not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>9.6 %</b>	<b>85.1 %</b>	<b>0.4 %*</b>	<b>1.8 %*</b>	<b>3.0 %</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	16.6 *	83.4	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	6.7 *	93.3	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	9.8	84.1	0.5 *	2.2 *	3.5
Aggravated	100	8.6 *	84.5	0.0 *	6.9 *	0.0 *
Simple	100	10.2	83.9	0.6 *	0.7 *	4.6

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 68. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which victims took self-protective measures, by type of crime and victim-offender relationship**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations		
	All victimizations	Involving strangers	Involving nonstrangers
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>71.6 %</b>	<b>70.2 %</b>	<b>73.0 %</b>
Completed violence	72.3	63.4	79.4
Attempted/threatened violence	71.3	72.8	69.7
Rape/Sexual assault/a	79.4	69.0	84.3
Robbery	63.4	56.0	83.8
Completed/property taken	53.9	44.1	80.3
With injury	67.9	56.2	94.2
Without injury	44.5	36.7	68.5
Attempted to take property	80.6	77.1	90.4
With injury	83.1	76.1	100.0 *
Without injury	79.9	77.3	87.3
Assault	72.3	73.0	71.7
Aggravated	75.0	74.7	75.4
With injury	73.9	69.1	78.3
Threatened with weapon	75.5	76.7	73.6
Simple	71.4	72.3	70.7
With minor injury	79.7	81.5	78.8
Without injury	68.9	70.3	67.7

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 69. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which victims took self-protective measures, by characteristics of victims and type of crime**

Characteristic	Percent of all victimizations									
	Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a	Robbery			Assault		
					Total	With injury	Without injury	Total	Aggravated	Simple
<b>Gender</b>										
Male	70.5 %	69.1 %	71.1 %	64.3 %*	61.6 %	67.6 %	58.5 %	72.0 %	76.0 %	70.4 %
Female	73.0	75.9	71.6	81.1	67.5	80.2	61.4	72.8	73.5	72.7
<b>Race</b>										
White	72.5	73.5	72.1	76.2	65.7	70.8	63.0	73.1	77.6	71.7
Black	67.3	65.1	68.5	93.6	50.0	66.4	43.9	69.4	66.4	70.7
<b>Age</b>										
12-19	70.0	72.4	68.8	85.1	55.6	58.4	54.5	70.9	74.4	69.8
20-34	73.9	75.3	73.2	75.9	70.1	81.8	64.1	74.2	76.4	73.5
35-49	73.6	73.8	73.5	75.8	70.8	80.0	65.9	73.9	79.1	72.0
50-64	64.2	51.4	67.8	100.0 *	51.0	54.5 *	48.6 *	65.8	53.2	69.6
65 and over	54.3	36.5 *	63.0	30.3 *	38.4 *	48.3 *	33.9 *	59.7	61.8 *	59.2

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 70. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of self-protective measures employed by victims, by type of measure and type of crime**

Self-protective measure	Percent of self-protective measures			
	Crimes of violence	Completed violence	Attempted/threatened violence	Rape/Sexual assault/a
<b>Total number of self-protective measures</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Attacked offender with weapon	1.0	1.4	0.8	0.7 *
Attacked offender without weapon	10.9	15.5	8.5	8.3
Threatened offender with weapon	1.4	0.7 *	1.7	0.0 *
Threatened offender without weapon	2.1	1.3	2.5	0.0 *
Resisted or captured offender	20.4	30.2	15.2	24.7
Scared or warned offender	8.8	7.7	9.3	13.3
Persuaded or appeased offender	11.4	9.3	12.5	12.0
Ran away or hid	15.4	11.2	17.5	10.4
Got help or gave alarm	9.9	7.7	11.1	7.3
Screamed from pain or fear	2.0	4.3	0.7	6.8
Took other measures	16.8	10.6	20.0	16.4

Self-protective measure	Percent of self-protective measures					
	Robbery			Assault		
	Total	With injury	Without injury	Total	Aggravated	Simple
<b>Total number of self-protective measures</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Attacked offender with weapon	1.4 *	1.4 *	1.3 *	1.0	1.9	0.7
Attacked offender without weapon	12.6	16.6	9.9	10.9	7.6	12.2
Threatened offender with weapon	1.2 *	0.0 *	1.9 *	1.5	3.1	0.9
Threatened offender without weapon	2.7 *	1.7 *	3.3 *	2.2	1.7	2.4
Resisted or captured offender	24.5	30.8	20.5	19.6	18.3	20.1
Scared or warned offender	8.8	10.1	8.0	8.5	6.4	9.3
Persuaded or appeased offender	12.2	4.5 *	17.2	11.3	8.6	12.4
Ran away or hid	16.8	14.7	18.1	15.5	22.0	12.9
Got help or gave alarm	7.7	5.3 *	9.2	10.3	12.3	9.5
Screamed from pain or fear	3.1 *	5.7 *	1.4 *	1.5	2.3	1.2
Took other measures	9.1	9.3	9.0	17.7	15.9	18.4

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Some respondents may have cited more than one self-protective measure employed.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 71. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of self-protective measures employed  
by victims, by selected characteristics of victims**

Self-protective measure	Percent of self-protective measures				
	Gender			Race/a	
	Both gender	Male	Female	White	Black
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Attacked offender with weapon	1.0	1.4	0.7 *	0.8	2.5
Attacked offender without weapon	10.9	13.8	7.7	10.5	13.1
Threatened offender with weapon	1.4	1.8	0.9	1.3	2.2 *
Threatened offender without weapon	2.1	2.9	1.2	1.8	3.6
Resisted or captured offender	20.4	23.4	17.0	20.4	20.6
Scared or warned offender	8.8	5.8	12.0	9.1	5.7
Persuaded or appeased offender	11.4	11.8	11.0	11.4	10.4
Ran away or hid	15.4	13.1	17.8	15.4	15.7
Got help or gave alarm	9.9	6.6	13.6	10.0	9.8
Screamed from pain or fear	2.0	0.5 *	3.6	1.9	2.2 *
Took other measures	16.8	18.8	14.5	17.5	14.2

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Some respondents may have cited more than one self-protective measure employed.  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 a/Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

Table 72. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which self-protective measures were employed, by person taking the measure, outcome of action and type of crime**

Person taking action and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations						
		Total	Helped situation	Hurt situation	Both helped and hurt situation	Neither helped nor hurt situation	Don't know	Not available
<b>Measure taken by victim</b>								
Crimes of violence	6,168,800	100 %	65.6 %	8.2 %	7.7 %	11.9 %	6.3 %	0.3 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	247,070	100 %	61.8	10.0 *	8.9 *	10.6 *	7.8 *	0.9 *
Robbery	598,510	100 %	60.1	10.0	11.4	13.2	4.8	0.4 *
Assault	5,323,210	100 %	66.4	7.9	7.3	11.8	6.4	0.2 *
Aggravated	1,412,880	100 %	69.6	5.7	7.8	11.4	5.6	0.0 *
Simple	3,910,340	100 %	65.3	8.7	7.1	12.0	6.7	0.3 *
<b>Measure taken by others</b>								
Crimes of violence	5,781,340	100 %	34.5 %	10.7 %	2.4 %	42.7 %	8.3 %	1.3 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	103,650	100 %	29.4	19.4 *	4.4 *	36.4	10.5 *	0.0 *
Robbery	494,640	100 %	28.7	8.6	3.6 *	45.2	9.4	4.5 *
Assault	5,183,040	100 %	35.1	10.8	2.2	42.6	8.2	1.1
Aggravated	1,338,040	100 %	34.0	11.3	1.8 *	40.4	11.1	1.4 *
Simple	3,845,000	100 %	35.5	10.6	2.4	43.4	7.2	0.9

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes victimizations in which no self-protective actions were taken. Of those victimizations in which a self-protective measure or measures was/were employed, the victim and/or someone else may have taken the action. Therefore, the above categories are not mutually exclusive.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 73. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations in which self-protective measures taken by the victim were helpful**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations							
		Total	Avoided injury or greater injury	Scared offender off	Escaped	Protected property	Protected other people	In other ways	Not available
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>5,937,680</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>45.6 %</b>	<b>16.3 %</b>	<b>14.9 %</b>	<b>4.5 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>12.3 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	244,400	100	28.4	25.2	28.4	1.8 *	1.8 *	14.5	0.0 *
Robbery	550,810	100	41.5	17.0	13.5	15.2	2.2 *	10.2	0.5 *
Assault	5,142,460	100	46.8	15.8	14.4	3.5	7.0	12.4	0.1 *
Aggravated	1,505,160	100	49.5	14.9	15.9	5.0	5.7	9.1	0.0 *
Simple	3,637,300	100	45.7	16.2	13.8	2.8	7.5	13.8	0.1 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes victimizations in which no self-protective actions were taken.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 74. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations in which self-protective measures taken by the victim were harmful**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations							
		Total	Made offender angrier, more aggressive	Led to injury or greater injury	Caused greater property damage	Caused others to get hurt	Let offender get away	Made situation worse in other ways	Not available
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>	<b>1,111,630</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>68.2 %</b>	<b>8.2 %</b>	<b>3.4 %</b>	<b>1.7 %*</b>	<b>1.5 %*</b>	<b>16.8 %</b>	<b>0.2 %*</b>
Robbery	159,510	100	59.8	24.7	8.1 *	0.0 *	1.4 *	5.9 *	0.0 *
Assault	894,430	100	69.4	4.8	2.8 *	2.1 *	1.6 *	19.0	0.3 *
Aggravated	237,320	100	55.3	5.6 *	7.9 *	4.3 *	5.0 *	20.9	1.1 *
Simple	657,110	100	74.5	4.5	1.0 *	1.3 *	0.4 *	18.4	0.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes victimizations in which no self-protective actions were taken.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 75. Personal robbery and assault, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which victims sustained physical injury, by selected characteristics of victims and type of crime**

Characteristic	Percent of all victims who sustained physical injury		
	Robbery and assault	Robbery	Assault
<b>Gender</b>			
Both gender	26.1 %	33.5 %	25.2 %
Male	25.0	33.9	23.7
Female	27.6	32.5	27.2
<b>Age</b>			
12-15	29.9	34.7	29.4
16-19	25.7	26.2	25.6
20-34	27.6	33.9	26.8
35-49	24.5	35.2	23.1
50-64	16.7	39.8	12.6
65 and over	20.4	31.3 *	17.6 *
<b>Race/a</b>			
White	25.5	33.9	24.5
Black	27.5	27.3	27.6
<b>Victim-offender relationship</b>			
Strangers	22.0	31.8	20.1
Nonstrangers	30.3	38.2	29.8
<b>Income/b</b>			
Less than \$7,500	33.6	42.2	32.0
\$7,500-\$14,999	31.8	41.4	30.2
\$15,000-\$24,999	27.7	33.7	26.9
\$25,000-\$34,999	23.8	11.3 *	25.3
\$35,000-\$49,999	26.3	46.9	24.6
\$50,000-\$74,999	20.0	36.8	18.2
\$75,000 or more	22.4	22.1 *	22.4

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

b/Excludes data on persons whose family income level was not ascertained.

Table 76. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victims receiving medical care, by type of crime and where care was received**

Type of crime	Number of locations where victims received medical care	Percent distribution of where care was received							
		Total	At the scene	At home or neighbor's or friend's home	Health unit at work or first-aid station	Doctor's office or health clinic	Emergency room at hospital; emergency clinic	Hospital	Other
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>1,209,970</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>10.4 %</b>	<b>29.8 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>9.1 %</b>	<b>31.9 %</b>	<b>12.6 %</b>	<b>3.6 %</b>
Completed violence	1,152,280	100	10.6	30.2	2.7	9.4	31.4	12.0	3.8
Attempted/threatened violence	57,690	100	6.8 *	22.3 *	0.0 *	4.1 *	41.4 *	25.4 *	0.0 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	51,690	100	4.2 *	14.4 *	0.0 *	19.8 *	30.6 *	21.3 *	9.7 *
Robbery	177,460	100	8.8 *	22.3	1.3 *	7.1 *	36.7	20.9	3.0 *
Completed/property taken	127,280	100	9.1 *	23.0	1.8 *	8.0 *	36.2	17.6 *	4.2 *
Attempted to take property	50,170	100	7.8 *	20.4 *	0.0 *	4.7 *	37.9 *	29.3 *	0.0 *
Assault	980,830	100	11.0	32.0	2.9	8.9	31.1	10.7	3.4
Aggravated	463,050	100	7.0	25.9	0.6 *	6.9	42.4	14.1	3.2 *
Simple	517,780	100	14.7	37.4	5.0 *	10.7	21.0	7.6	3.6 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Some respondents may have received medical attention at more than one location.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 77. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which victims incurred medical expenses, by selected characteristics of victims and type of crime**

Characteristic	Percent of victimizations		
	Crimes of violence/a	Robbery	Assault
<b>Race</b>			
All races/b	6.9 %	10.8 %	6.3 %
White	6.7	11.8	6.0
Black	7.1	7.5 *	7.1
<b>Victim-offender relationship</b>			
Strangers	6.6	11.2	5.5
Nonstrangers	7.2	9.7 *	7.0

Note: Data includes victimizations in which the amount of medical expenses incurred was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

b/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

Table 78. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which injured victims had health insurance coverage or were eligible for public medical services, by selected characteristics of victims**

Characteristic	Percent of victimizations
<b>Race</b>	
All races/a	67.0 %
White	66.8
Black	66.6
<b>Annual family income/b</b>	
Less than \$7,500	72.0
\$7,500-\$14,999	70.7
\$15,000-\$24,999	51.5
\$25,000-\$34,999	73.4
\$35,000-\$49,999	67.6
\$50,000-\$74,999	70.4
\$75,000 or more	73.4
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	65.4
Female	69.1
<b>Age</b>	
12-15	69.4
16-19	72.4
20-24	50.0
25-34	63.0
35-49	72.0
50-64	71.3
65 and over	100.0 *

Note: Data includes only those victimizations in which the victim received medical attention.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

b/Excludes data on persons whose family income level was not ascertained.

Table 79. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations in which victims received hospital care, by selected characteristics of victims and type of crime**

Characteristic	Percent of victimizations		
	Crimes of violence/a	Robbery	Assault
<b>Gender</b>			
Both gender	5.0 %	7.9 %	4.5 %
Male	5.7	9.4	5.0
Female	4.0	4.6 *	3.9
<b>Age</b>			
12-19	5.3	4.7 *	5.3
20-34	4.9	8.9	4.3
35-49	4.5	5.3 *	4.4
50-64	5.6	21.3 *	2.5 *
65 and over	5.5 *	14.3 *	3.6 *
<b>Race/b</b>			
White	4.6	8.6	4.1
Black	6.7	4.9 *	7.0
<b>Victim-offender relationship</b>			
Strangers	5.4	8.4	4.7
Nonstrangers	4.6	6.6 *	4.4

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

b/Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

Table 80. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations in which injured victims received hospital care, by selected characteristics of victims, type of crime and type of hospital care**

Characteristic and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of injured victims receiving care						
		Total	Emergency room care	Inpatient care				Not available
				Total	Less than 1 day	1-3 days	4 days or more	
<b>Gender</b>								
Both gender								
Crimes of violence/a	430,160	100 %	64.5 %	35.5 %	25.4 %	7.0 %	3.1 %*	0.0 %*
Robbery	74,780	100 %	50.4	49.6	28.5 *	8.6 *	12.5 *	0.0 *
Assault	333,800	100 %	68.7	31.3	25.3	4.7 *	1.2 *	0.0 *
Male								
Crimes of violence/a	279,050	100 %	73.7	26.3	17.8	6.1 *	2.4 *	0.0 *
Robbery	61,390	100 %	56.5	43.5 *	25.8 *	6.6 *	11.1 *	0.0 *
Assault	209,540	100 %	78.8	21.2	16.1	5.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Female								
Crimes of violence/a	151,110	100 %	47.6	52.4	39.4	8.5 *	4.4 *	0.0 *
Robbery	13,390 *	100 %*	22.3 *	77.7 *	41.1 *	17.6 *	19.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	124,260	100 %	51.6	48.4	40.9	4.2 *	3.3 *	0.0 *
<b>Race/b</b>								
White								
Crimes of violence/a	327,730	100 %	65.0	35.0	25.5	7.5 *	2.1 *	0.0 *
Robbery	60,860	100 %	51.5	48.5	29.5 *	10.6 *	8.4 *	0.0 *
Assault	247,980	100 %	70.0	30.0	25.1	4.2 *	0.7 *	0.0 *
Black								
Crimes of violence/a	86,960	100 %	64.0	36.0	27.1 *	6.3 *	2.6 *	0.0 *
Robbery	9,680 *	100 %*	65.2 *	34.8 *	34.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	74,590	100 %	62.5	37.5	27.1 *	7.4 *	3.0 *	0.0 *
<b>Victim-offender relationship</b>								
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence/a	232,590	100 %	69.4	30.6	20.9	8.6 *	1.1 *	0.0 *
Robbery	58,040	100 %	51.8	48.2	36.7 *	7.0 *	4.4 *	0.0 *
Assault	163,260	100 %	76.8	23.2	16.8 *	6.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence/a	197,570	100 %	58.8	41.2	30.6	5.1 *	5.5 *	0.0 *
Robbery	16,740 *	100 %*	45.4 *	54.6 *	0.0 *	14.1 *	40.5 *	0.0 *
Assault	170,540	100 %	60.9	39.1	33.6	3.1 *	2.4 *	0.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

b/Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

Table 81. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations resulting in economic loss,  
by type of crime and type of loss**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations resulting in economic loss						
	All economic losses	Theft losses			Damage losses		
		All theft losses	With damage	Without damage	All damage losses	With theft	Without theft
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>18.5 %</b>	<b>10.6 %</b>	<b>0.7 %</b>	<b>9.9 %</b>	<b>8.6 %</b>	<b>0.7 %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>
Crimes of violence	15.3	7.1	0.7	6.4	9.0	0.7	8.3
Completed violence	32.7	22.8	2.3	20.5	12.2	2.3	9.9
Attempted/threatened violence	7.5	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.5	0.0 *	7.5
Rape/Sexual assault/a	9.4	1.1 *	0.2 *	0.9 *	8.5 *	0.2 *	8.3 *
Robbery	69.2	64.3	6.5	57.8	11.4	6.5	5.0
Completed/property taken	100.0	100.0	10.1	89.9	10.1	10.1	...
With injury	100.0	100.0	17.7	82.3	17.7	17.7	...
Without injury	100.0	100.0	4.9 *	95.1	4.9 *	4.9 *	...
Attempted to take property	13.9	...	...	...	13.9	...	13.9
With injury	22.3 *	...	...	...	22.3 *	...	22.3 *
Without injury	11.6	...	...	...	11.6	...	11.6
Assault	8.7	...	...	...	8.7	...	8.7
Aggravated	12.5	...	...	...	12.5	...	12.5
Simple	7.4	...	...	...	7.4	...	7.4
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	95.6	95.6	0.6 *	95.0	0.6 *	0.6 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>95.2 %</b>	<b>90.1 %</b>	<b>12.6 %</b>	<b>77.5 %</b>	<b>17.7 %</b>	<b>12.6 %</b>	<b>5.1 %</b>
Household burglary	86.1	70.9	18.3	52.5	33.6	18.3	15.3
Completed	90.4	83.9	21.6	62.3	28.2	21.6	6.5
Forcible entry	94.3	79.0	52.5	26.6	67.7	52.5	15.2
Unlawful entry without force	88.0	86.9	2.3	84.6	3.4	2.3	1.1 *
Attempted forcible entry	63.4	2.4 *	1.1 *	1.3 *	62.1	1.1 *	61.0
Motor vehicle theft	91.6	70.3	17.5	52.7	38.9	17.5	21.4
Completed	100.0	100.0	25.0	75.0	25.0	25.0	...
Attempted	71.8	...	...	...	71.8	...	71.8
Theft	97.6	96.0	10.9	85.1	12.4	10.9	1.6
Completed	100.0	100.0	11.3	88.7	11.3	11.3	...
Less than \$50	100.0	100.0	4.2	95.8	4.2	4.2	...
\$50 - \$249	100.0	100.0	10.7	89.3	10.7	10.7	...
\$250 or more	100.0	100.0	25.4	74.6	25.4	25.4	...
Amount not available	100.0	100.0	11.0	89.0	11.0	11.0	...
Attempted	39.3	...	...	...	39.3	...	39.3

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
 Because both theft and damage losses occurred in some victimizations, the sum of entries under "All theft losses" and "All damage losses" does not equal the entry shown under "All economic losses".  
 \* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
 ... Not applicable  
 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 82. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Total economic loss to victims of crime**

Type of crime	All crimes				Crimes involving loss of \$1 or more			Crimes involving loss-no monetary value specified
	Gross loss (in millions of dollars)	Total crimes	Mean dollar loss (in millions)	Median dollar loss (in millions)	Total crimes	Mean dollar loss (in millions)	Median dollar loss (in millions)	Total crimes
<b>All crimes</b>	18,944	34,787,730	545	89	24,087,000	786	100	2,978,740
<b>Personal crimes</b>	1,096	8,970,600	122	60	1,740,000	630	109	746,670
Crimes of violence	1,046	8,614,070	121	50	1,408,460	743	136	737,500
Rape/Sexual assault	48	311,110	153	45	37,620	1,264	258	38,190
Rape/Attempted rape	47	193,790	242	30	33,410	1,403	400	35,750
Rape	38	115,120	327	50	18,610 *	2,024	400	25,660 *
Attempted rape/a	9	78,670	117	30	14,800 *	623	30	10,090 *
Sexual assault/b	1	117,310	6	45	4,210 *	154	258	2,440 *
Robbery	456	943,940	483	100	606,760	751	135	75,240
Assault	543	7,359,030	74	40	764,080	711	136	624,070
Purse snatching	15	70,800	209	190	54,980	270	190	0 *
Pocket picking	34	285,730	120	51	276,560	124	60	9,170 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	17,849	25,817,140	691	90	22,347,000	799	100	2,232,070
Household burglary	4,685	4,634,920	1,011	200	3,418,100	1,371	250	575,320
Motor vehicle theft	7,546	1,433,370	5,264	3,000	1,122,090	6,725	3,800	191,150
Theft	5,618	19,748,840	284	62	17,806,820	315	80	1,465,600
<b>Gender</b>								
Male	12,046	20,290,750	594	90	14,450,590	834	100	1,504,030
Female	6,898	14,496,980	476	70	9,636,410	716	100	1,474,710
<b>Race</b>								
White	14,969	28,577,380	524	80	19,836,790	755	100	2,303,760
Black	3,059	5,137,440	595	80	3,487,870	877	109	567,700
Other	916	1,072,910	854	60	762,340	1,202	100	107,270
<b>Ethnicity</b>								
Hispanic	2,104	3,684,670	571	100	2,555,140	824	120	359,950
Non-Hispanic	16,704	30,712,350	544	80	21,327,040	783	100	2,587,840
<b>Age</b>								
12-15	35	1,426,140	25	5	192,100	182	42	130,810
16-19	392	2,029,710	193	49	744,930	527	95	192,600
20-24	1,390	3,426,650	406	115	2,179,860	638	150	244,150
25-34	4,385	7,963,440	551	100	5,587,030	785	120	636,830
35-49	7,411	12,649,690	586	75	9,695,060	764	100	987,720
50-64	3,954	5,036,350	785	80	3,968,500	996	100	467,270
65 and over	1,378	2,255,760	611	50	1,719,520	801	75	319,370
<b>Income</b>								
Less than \$7,500	980	3,123,450	314	70	1,995,370	491	100	364,440
\$7,500-\$14,999	1,423	4,224,970	337	65	2,867,910	496	100	377,530
\$15,000-\$24,999	2,249	4,981,140	452	67	3,429,330	656	100	456,000
\$25,000-\$34,999	2,207	4,698,190	470	70	3,193,360	691	100	420,470
\$35,000-\$49,999	3,762	5,456,590	689	95	3,767,860	998	100	402,670
\$50,000-\$74,999	2,408	4,680,990	514	80	3,390,650	710	100	348,770
\$75,000 or more	3,314	4,005,680	827	100	2,939,420	1,127	105	278,580

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

Table 83. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in economic loss from property loss or damage, by type of crime and value of loss**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations								
		Total	No monetary value	Less than \$50	\$50-\$99	\$100-\$249	\$250-\$499	\$500-\$999	\$1000 or more	Not known and not available
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>1,661,830</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>5.7 %</b>	<b>28.8 %</b>	<b>12.4 %</b>	<b>16.4 %</b>	<b>9.0 %</b>	<b>6.1 %</b>	<b>6.6 %</b>	<b>14.9 %</b>
Crimes of violence/a	1,321,120	100	7.2	26.8	11.5	15.1	8.6	6.3	8.2	16.3
Completed violence	875,900	100	5.4	28.0	11.9	17.4	8.6	6.9	7.5	14.3
Attempted/threatened violence	445,220	100	10.6	24.4	10.8	10.6	8.6	5.1 *	9.6	20.3
Robbery	653,470	100	2.2 *	26.3	12.8	20.6	8.5	8.1	9.2	12.3
Completed/property taken	606,660	100	1.5 *	26.9	11.7	21.0	9.1	8.4	9.5	11.9
With injury	243,220	100	1.9 *	21.5	12.3	19.7	8.9 *	6.2 *	12.6	17.0
Without injury	363,440	100	1.2 *	30.5	11.3	21.9	9.3	10.0	7.4 *	8.5
Attempted to take property	46,820	100	11.8 *	19.6 *	26.6 *	14.9 *	0.0 *	4.1 *	5.2 *	17.8 *
With injury	16,200 *	100 *	20.4 *	28.0 *	12.9 *	14.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	24.3 *
Without injury	30,620	100	7.2 *	15.3 *	33.8 *	15.2 *	0.0 *	6.3 *	7.9 *	14.3 *
Assault	638,380	100	11.1	27.3	10.3	10.2	9.2	4.7	6.8	20.4
Aggravated	234,560	100	11.6 *	20.9	10.2 *	8.1 *	14.8	6.7 *	10.4 *	17.3
Simple	403,820	100	10.8	31.0	10.4	11.5	5.9 *	3.5 *	4.8 *	22.2
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	340,710	100	0.0 *	36.4	16.1	21.5	10.7	5.3 *	0.6 *	9.3
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>24,574,650</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>29.4 %</b>	<b>11.6 %</b>	<b>18.8 %</b>	<b>10.2 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>11.4 %</b>	<b>9.8 %</b>
Household burglary	3,991,160	100	4.0	14.5	7.9	16.5	12.2	10.0	19.7	15.2
Completed	3,520,450	100	1.7	13.2	7.6	18.1	13.4	11.2	22.3	12.4
Forcible entry	1,411,710	100	1.3 *	7.6	3.6	10.0	8.6	11.0	36.1	21.8
Unlawful entry without force	2,108,740	100	2.0	17.0	10.3	23.6	16.6	11.4	13.0	6.1
Attempted forcible entry	470,720	100	21.4	24.4	9.7	4.7 *	3.1 *	0.9 *	0.0 *	35.9
Motor vehicle theft	1,313,240	100	1.1 *	1.3 *	1.6 *	5.2	5.0	5.3	65.2	15.2
Completed	1,006,960	100	0.4 *	0.2 *	0.0 *	1.0 *	1.5 *	3.3	82.7	10.9
Attempted	306,280	100	3.3 *	5.1 *	7.0 *	19.1	16.5	11.9	7.8 *	29.1
Theft	19,270,260	100	2.2	34.4	13.1	20.2	10.1	5.6	6.0	8.3
Completed	18,960,020	100	2.1	34.8	13.1	20.3	10.1	5.5	6.1	8.0
Attempted	310,240	100	13.1	13.8	11.8	16.4	11.4	8.0 *	1.4 *	24.1

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 84. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in theft loss, by type of crime and type of property stolen**

Type of property loss	Percent of property stolen							
	Personal crimes		Crimes of violence/a		Robbery		Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,180,220</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>1,396,360</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>1,393,010</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>783,850</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Cash	570,020	26.1	288,440	20.7	285,610	20.5	281,570	35.9
Purse, wallet, credit cards	556,230	25.5	196,190	14.1	196,190	14.1	360,040	45.9
Vehicle or parts	42,530	2.0	42,530	3.0	42,530	3.1	0 *	0.0 *
Motor vehicles	5,150 *	0.2 *	5,150 *	0.4 *	5,150 *	0.4 *	0 *	0.0 *
Vehicle parts	2,490 *	0.1 *	2,490 *	0.2 *	2,490 *	0.2 *	0 *	0.0 *
Unattached vehicle accessories	5,660 *	0.3 *	5,660 *	0.4 *	5,660 *	0.4 *	0 *	0.0 *
Bicycle or parts	29,230	1.3	29,230	2.1	29,230	2.1	0 *	0.0 *
Household furnishings	42,410	1.9	42,410	3.0	42,410	3.0	0 *	0.0 *
Personal effects	427,500	19.6	358,600	25.7	358,600	25.7	68,900	8.8
Portable electronic, photographic gear	65,230	3.0	60,850	4.4	60,850	4.4	4,380 *	0.6 *
Jewelry, clothing	185,850	8.5	181,310	13.0	181,310	13.0	4,550 *	0.6 *
Other personal effects	176,410	8.1	116,440	8.3	116,440	8.4	59,970	7.7
Firearms	2,450 *	0.1 *	2,450 *	0.2 *	2,450 *	0.2 *	0 *	0.0 *
Tools, machinery	18,120 *	0.8 *	18,120 *	1.3 *	18,120 *	1.3 *	0 *	0.0 *
Other	50,940	2.3	46,490	3.3	45,980	3.3	4,440 *	0.6 *
Don't know	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *

Type of property loss	Percent of victimizations resulting in theft loss							
	Property crimes		Household burglary		Motor vehicle theft		Theft	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,133,970</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>8,334,710</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>3,007,220</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>38,792,040</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Cash	3,452,400	6.9	535,850	6.4	38,810	1.3	2,877,740	7.4
Purse, wallet, credit cards	3,050,640	6.1	196,390	2.4	38,240	1.3	2,816,010	7.3
Vehicle or parts	6,817,790	13.6	362,010	4.3	1,093,490	36.4	5,362,290	13.8
Motor vehicles	1,050,760	2.1	39,120	0.5	1,009,630	33.6	2,010 *	0.0 *
Vehicle parts	3,008,160	6.0	37,830	0.5	45,110	1.5	2,925,220	7.5
Unattached vehicle accessories	896,680	1.8	44,350	0.5	38,750	1.3	813,590	2.1
Bicycle or parts	1,862,180	3.7	240,710	2.9	0 *	0.0 *	1,621,470	4.2
Household furnishings	1,532,630	3.1	901,640	10.8	20,090 *	0.7 *	610,910	1.6
Personal effects	11,262,960	22.5	2,398,220	28.8	316,880	10.5	8,547,860	22.0
Portable electronic, photographic gear	3,298,520	6.6	732,640	8.8	71,010	2.4	2,494,860	6.4
Jewelry, clothing	4,069,200	8.1	990,320	11.9	106,770	3.6	2,972,110	7.7
Other personal effects	3,895,240	7.8	675,260	8.1	139,090	4.6	3,080,890	7.9
Firearms	281,080	0.6	176,000	2.1	0 *	0.0 *	105,070	0.3
Tools, machinery	2,305,220	4.6	563,570	6.8	66,220	2.2	1,675,430	4.3
Other	3,350,510	6.7	440,810	5.3	23,140 *	0.8 *	2,886,560	7.4
Don't know	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *	0 *	0.0 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Some respondents may have cited multiple items as being stolen.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Crimes of violence includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.



Table 85. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in theft loss, by race of victims, type of crime and value of loss**

Race and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations resulting in theft loss								
		Total	No monetary value	Less than \$50	\$50-\$99	\$100-\$249	\$250-\$499	\$500-\$999	\$1,000 or more	Not known and not available
<b>All races/a</b>										
All personal crimes/b	950,710	100 %	0.9 %*	31.2 %	13.0 %	22.0 %	10.6 %	6.7 %	6.0 %	9.6 %
Robbery	606,660	100	1.5 *	28.5	10.9	22.4	10.5	7.5	9.0	9.8
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	340,710	100	0.0 *	36.4	16.1	21.5	10.7	5.3 *	0.6 *	9.3
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>23,251,070</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>31.3 %</b>	<b>12.3 %</b>	<b>20.4 %</b>	<b>10.7 %</b>	<b>6.2 %</b>	<b>11.0 %</b>	<b>6.2 %</b>
Household burglary	3,284,090	100	1.2	13.8	7.9	20.0	15.2	13.0	22.8	6.1
Motor vehicle theft	1,006,960	100	0.4 *	0.2 *	0.0 *	1.0 *	1.8 *	4.0	82.2	10.5
Theft	18,960,020	100	2.1	35.9	13.7	21.6	10.4	5.2	5.2	5.9
<b>White</b>										
All personal crimes/b	702,310	100 %	1.3 %*	31.7 %	12.7 %	23.4 %	10.9 %	2.5 %*	7.7 %	9.8 %
Robbery	442,170	100	2.0 *	30.8	7.8	24.0	10.4	2.9 *	11.6	10.4
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	256,790	100	0.0 *	33.7	20.2	22.7	12.0	1.8 *	0.9 *	8.8 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>19,134,950</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>31.8 %</b>	<b>12.1 %</b>	<b>20.7 %</b>	<b>10.8 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>10.8 %</b>	<b>5.7 %</b>
Household burglary	2,597,070	100	1.3	15.3	7.4	19.9	15.4	12.6	22.6	5.4
Motor vehicle theft	719,910	100	0.3 *	0.3 *	0.0 *	0.8 *	2.2 *	4.4	84.4	7.7
Theft	15,817,970	100	2.1	35.9	13.5	21.7	10.4	5.3	5.5	5.6
<b>Black</b>										
All personal crimes/b	215,810	100 %	0.0 %*	30.8 %	14.9 %	19.7 %	8.7 %*	17.2 %	1.5 %*	7.4 %*
Robbery	134,000	100	0.0 *	23.2	21.8	20.4 *	9.6 *	17.6 *	2.4 *	5.0 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	81,810	100	0.0 *	43.2	3.6 *	18.4 *	7.2 *	16.5 *	0.0 *	11.2 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>3,383,800</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>2.2 %</b>	<b>27.4 %</b>	<b>13.2 %</b>	<b>20.1 %</b>	<b>10.4 %</b>	<b>6.1 %</b>	<b>12.0 %</b>	<b>8.6 %</b>
Household burglary	586,510	100	1.0 *	8.1	10.6	21.7	14.4	13.8	22.5	7.9
Motor vehicle theft	235,460	100	0.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.9 *	2.6 *	76.4	19.1
Theft	2,561,830	100	2.6	34.4	15.0	21.6	10.3	4.7	3.6	7.8

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

b/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately, but excludes data on assault, which by definition does not involve theft.

Table 86. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in theft loss,  
by race of victims, type of crime and proportion of loss recovered**

Race and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations resulting in theft loss							
		Total	None recovered/a	Some recovered			All recovered	Not available	
				Total	Less than half	Half or more			Proportion unknown/b
<b>All races/c</b>									
<b>All personal crimes/d</b>	<b>950,710</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>83.1 %</b>	<b>8.1 %</b>	<b>4.9 %</b>	<b>0.7 %*</b>	<b>2.5 %*</b>	<b>7.2 %</b>	<b>1.5 %*</b>
Robbery	606,660	100	83.5	5.1	2.4 *	0.4 *	2.3 *	9.0	2.4 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	340,710	100	82.3	13.5	9.4	1.3 *	2.8 *	4.2 *	0.0 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>23,251,070</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>88.2 %</b>	<b>4.9 %</b>	<b>1.6 %</b>	<b>2.0 %</b>	<b>1.3 %</b>	<b>6.5 %</b>	<b>0.5 %</b>
Household burglary	3,284,090	100	89.9	5.1	1.9	1.9	1.3	4.4	0.6 *
Motor vehicle theft	1,006,960	100	29.5	27.3	5.6	15.3	6.4	42.7	0.5 *
Theft	18,960,020	100	91.0	3.6	1.3	1.3	1.0	4.9	0.5
<b>White</b>									
<b>All personal crimes/d</b>	<b>702,310</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>83.2 %</b>	<b>7.8 %</b>	<b>4.5 %</b>	<b>1.0 %*</b>	<b>2.4 %*</b>	<b>7.0 %</b>	<b>2.0 %*</b>
Robbery	442,170	100	85.0	3.9 *	1.2 *	0.6 *	2.2 *	7.8	3.2 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	256,790	100	79.8	14.7	10.2 *	1.7 *	2.7 *	5.5 *	0.0 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>19,134,950</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>88.3 %</b>	<b>4.8 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>2.0 %</b>	<b>1.2 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>
Household burglary	2,597,070	100	89.7	5.2	2.0	1.9	1.3	4.4	0.7 *
Motor vehicle theft	719,910	100	29.9	28.1	6.5	15.3	6.3	41.2	0.7 *
Theft	15,817,970	100	90.7	3.7	1.4	1.4	1.0	5.0	0.5
<b>Black</b>									
<b>All personal crimes/d</b>	<b>215,810</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>84.7 %</b>	<b>7.0 %*</b>	<b>5.8 %*</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>1.2 %*</b>	<b>8.3 %*</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>
Robbery	134,000	100	81.6	5.0 *	5.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	13.4 *	0.0 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	81,810	100	89.7	10.3 *	7.1 *	0.0 *	3.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>3,383,800</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>87.4 %</b>	<b>4.8 %</b>	<b>1.4 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>1.5 %</b>	<b>7.7 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>
Household burglary	586,510	100	90.0	5.0	1.7 *	1.8 *	1.5 *	5.0	0.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	235,460	100	27.0	26.7	4.2 *	15.4	7.1 *	46.2	0.0 *
Theft	2,561,830	100	92.4	2.7	1.1 *	0.7 *	1.0 *	4.7	0.2 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes items that were taken that had no value.

b/Includes items that were recovered that had no value.

c/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

d/Includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately, but excludes data on assault, which by definition does not involve theft.

Table 87. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations resulting in loss of time from work, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations
<b>All personal crimes/a</b>	<b>5.9 %</b>
Crimes of violence	6.1
Completed violence	11.5
Attempted/threatened violence	3.7
Rape/Sexual assault/b	6.5 *
Robbery	8.9
Completed/property taken	9.8
With injury	17.2
Without injury	4.9 *
Attempted to take property	7.1 *
With injury	17.2 *
Without injury	4.3 *
Assault	5.7
Aggravated	9.4
Simple	4.5
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>5.7 %</b>
Household burglary	6.5
Completed	6.9
Forcible entry	11.4
Unlawful entry without force	4.0
Attempted forcible entry	4.3
Motor vehicle theft	19.1
Completed	23.7
Attempted	8.4
Theft	4.5
Completed	4.5
Less than \$50	2.5
\$50 - \$249	3.5
\$250 or more	10.0
Amount not available	3.1
Attempted	6.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on purse snatching/pocket picking, not shown separately.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 88. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations resulting in loss of time from work, by type of crime and race of victims**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations	
	White	Black
<b>All personal crimes/a</b>	<b>5.9 %</b>	<b>5.4 %</b>
Crimes of violence	6.0	5.7
Completed violence	11.9	8.9
Attempted/threatened violence	3.6	4.0
Rape/Sexual assault/b	7.9 *	0.0 *
Robbery	10.7	3.2 *
Assault	5.4	6.4
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>5.6 %</b>	<b>6.1 %</b>
Completed	5.5	6.3
Attempted	6.2	4.2 *
Household burglary	5.6	9.6
Motor vehicle theft	18.5	21.8
Theft	4.8	3.3

Note: Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on purse snatching/pocket picking, not shown separately.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 89. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in loss of time from work, by type of crime and number of days lost**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations					Not known and not available
		Total	Less than 1 day	1-5 days	6-10 days	11 days or more	
<b>All personal crimes/a</b>	<b>528,770</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>26.8 %</b>	<b>54.9 %</b>	<b>4.5 %*</b>	<b>10.2 %</b>	<b>3.5 %*</b>
Crimes of violence	525,910	100	26.4	55.2	4.5 *	10.3	3.6 *
Completed violence	307,010	100	16.4	59.2	6.0 *	16.0	2.4 *
Attempted/threatened violence	218,890	100	40.5	49.7	2.4 *	2.3 *	5.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/b	20,330 *	100 *	0.0 *	47.1 *	12.5 *	40.4 *	0.0 *
Robbery	83,560	100	12.7 *	75.4	2.8 *	6.0 *	3.0 *
Assault	422,010	100	30.4	51.6	4.5 *	9.7	3.8 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>1,466,410</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>52.7 %</b>	<b>38.9 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>1.7 %*</b>	<b>4.1 %</b>
Completed	1,351,480	100	52.7	38.4	2.7	1.9 *	4.3
Attempted	114,930	100	53.5	44.8	0.0 *	0.0 *	1.7 *
Household burglary	299,520	100	47.8	44.8	3.8 *	1.6 *	2.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	274,300	100	21.4	59.4	5.2 *	6.3 *	7.7 *
Theft	892,590	100	64.0	30.7	1.2 *	0.4 *	3.7

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on purse snatching/pocket picking, not shown separately.

b/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 90. Selected personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations resulting in loss of time from work, by race of victims, type of crime and number of days lost**

Race and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations					Not known and not available
		Total	Less than 1 day	1-5 days	6-10 days	11 days or more	
<b>White</b>							
All personal crimes/a	<b>430,100</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>29.7 %</b>	<b>54.5 %</b>	<b>3.8 %*</b>	<b>9.0 %</b>	<b>3.1 %*</b>
Crimes of violence	427,240	100	29.2	54.8	3.8 *	9.1	3.1 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>1,184,360</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>57.0 %</b>	<b>35.7 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>1.6 %*</b>	<b>3.2 %</b>
Household burglary	207,860	100	59.6	34.4	1.9 *	2.3 *	1.9 *
Motor vehicle theft	192,830	100	23.8	58.1	7.4 *	5.4 *	5.3 *
Theft	783,670	100	64.5	30.6	1.4 *	0.4 *	3.0 *
<b>Black</b>							
All personal crimes/a	<b>74,940</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>19.0 %*</b>	<b>58.7 %</b>	<b>9.9 %*</b>	<b>8.3 %*</b>	<b>4.0 %*</b>
Crimes of violence	74,940	100	19.0 *	58.7	9.9 *	8.3 *	4.0 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>229,990</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>33.4 %</b>	<b>55.3 %</b>	<b>2.3 %*</b>	<b>2.1 %*</b>	<b>6.9 %*</b>
Household burglary	76,810	100	19.5 *	73.5	7.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	67,360	100	19.0 *	61.2	0.0 *	7.0 *	12.8 *
Theft	85,830	100	57.2	34.4	0.0 *	0.0 *	8.4 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes data on rape, sexual assault, robbery, assault, and purse snatching/pocket picking, not shown separately.

Table 91. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of victimizations, by type of crime and whether or not reported to the police**

Sector and type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of victimizations reported to the police			
		Total	Yes/a	No	Not known and not available
<b>All crimes</b>	<b>34,787,730</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>37.4 %</b>	<b>61.5 %</b>	<b>1.1 %</b>
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>44.0 %</b>	<b>54.7 %</b>	<b>1.4 %</b>
Crimes of violence	8,614,070	100	44.5	54.1	1.4
Completed violence	2,679,080	100	54.9	44.5	0.7 *
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	100	39.9	58.4	1.7
Rape/Sexual assault	311,110	100	30.5	68.8	0.8 *
Rape/Attempted rape	193,790	100	43.3	55.5	1.2 *
Rape	115,120	100	46.4	53.6	0.0 *
Attempted rape/b	78,670	100	38.7	58.3	3.0 *
Sexual assault/c	117,310	100	9.3 *	90.7	0.0 *
Robbery	943,940	100	55.8	43.5	0.7 *
Completed/property taken	606,660	100	63.1	36.5	0.4 *
With injury	243,220	100	77.4	22.6	0.0 *
Without injury	363,440	100	53.5	45.8	0.6 *
Attempted to take property	337,280	100	42.7	56.0	1.2 *
With injury	72,680	100	64.4	35.6 *	0.0 *
Without injury	264,610	100	36.8	61.7	1.6 *
Assault	7,359,030	100	43.7	54.8	1.5
Aggravated	1,883,110	100	59.1	38.6	2.3
With injury	594,900	100	65.2	32.7	2.1 *
Threatened with weapon	1,288,210	100	56.2	41.4	2.4
Simple	5,475,920	100	38.4	60.4	1.3
With minor injury	1,257,530	100	50.7	49.1	0.2 *
Without injury	4,218,390	100	34.7	63.7	1.6
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	356,530	100	30.5	68.9	0.6 *
Completed purse snatching	54,980	100	47.2 *	49.1 *	3.7 *
Attempted purse snatching	15,820 *	100 *	24.4 *	75.6 *	0.0 *
Pocket picking	285,730	100	27.7	72.3	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>35.1 %</b>	<b>63.9 %</b>	<b>1.0 %</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	100	51.8	47.2	1.1
Completed	3,892,970	100	54.9	44.3	0.8
Forcible entry	1,497,370	100	76.3	23.0	0.7 *
Unlawful entry without force	2,395,600	100	41.5	57.7	0.9 *
Attempted forcible entry	741,960	100	35.5	62.1	2.4 *
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	79.8	19.5	0.6 *
Completed	1,006,960	100	91.8	7.7	0.5 *
Attempted	426,410	100	51.7	47.4	0.9 *
Theft	19,748,840	100	27.9	71.0	1.0
Completed	18,960,020	100	27.9	71.1	1.0
Less than \$50	7,218,020	100	11.9	87.1	1.0
\$50 - \$249	6,680,070	100	28.7	70.6	0.7
\$250 or more	3,955,010	100	56.2	42.8	1.0
Amount not available	1,106,910	100	26.0	71.1	3.0
Attempted	788,820	100	29.9	68.7	1.5 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Figures in this column represent the rates at which victimizations were reported to the police, or "police reporting rates."

b/Includes verbal threats of rape.

c/Includes threats.

Table 92. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by selected characteristics of victims and type of crime**

Characteristic	Percent of all victimizations reported to the police		
	All personal crimes	Crimes of violence/a	Purse snatching/ Pocket picking
<b>Gender</b>			
Both gender	44.0 %	44.5 %	30.5 %
Male	41.7	42.3	23.3
Female	46.9	47.5	36.9
<b>Race</b>			
White	43.3	43.7	33.2
Black	47.2	48.7	24.8 *
<b>Ethnicity</b>			
Hispanic	47.5	48.4	31.9 *
Non-Hispanic	43.5	44.0	30.7

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Crimes of violence includes data on rape, sexual assault, robbery, and both aggravated and simple assault, not shown separately.



Table 93. Violent crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police, by type of crime, victim-offender relationship and gender of victims**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations reported to the police								
	All victimizations			Involving strangers			Involving nonstrangers		
	Both gender	Male	Female	Both gender	Male	Female	Both gender	Male	Female
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>44.5 %</b>	<b>42.3 %</b>	<b>47.5 %</b>	<b>47.3 %</b>	<b>47.1 %</b>	<b>47.8 %</b>	<b>41.8 %</b>	<b>35.1 %</b>	<b>47.3 %</b>
Completed violence	54.9	55.3	54.4	61.5	63.6	56.2	49.6	42.9	53.7
Attempted/threatened violence	39.9	36.9	44.0	41.8	40.3	45.0	37.7	31.8	43.3
Rape/Sexual assault/a	30.5	39.0 *	29.5	42.4	100.0 *	36.0	24.9	11.0 *	26.5
Robbery	55.8	50.8	67.0	56.8	53.3	68.2	53.1	39.4	65.5
Completed/property taken	63.1	59.2	71.2	66.2	62.8	76.1	54.6	45.0	64.3
With injury	77.4	78.8	74.1	79.1	79.1	79.3	73.4	78.0	68.6 *
Without injury	53.5	45.7	69.4	58.3	52.2	74.5	38.7	15.9 *	60.9 *
Attempted to take property	42.7	36.3	58.5	40.0	38.0	48.8 *	50.4	27.0 *	67.4
With injury	64.4	54.6	90.5 *	49.8 *	49.8 *	50.0 *	100.0 *	100.0 *	100.0 *
Without injury	36.8	31.2	50.3	37.5	34.4	48.7 *	34.7 *	15.7 *	52.3 *
Assault	43.7	41.0	47.2	45.6	45.5	45.7	42.0	35.1	48.0
Aggravated	59.1	56.8	62.8	61.1	60.8	61.9	56.3	49.4	63.6
With injury	65.2	65.1	65.4	68.0	71.2	59.1	62.7	56.9	68.3
Threatened with weapon	56.2	53.0	61.5	58.7	56.9	62.6	52.2	45.0	60.3
Simple	38.4	35.0	42.7	38.6	38.5	38.9	38.2	30.8	44.4
With minor injury	50.7	48.1	53.3	54.2	58.7	40.7	48.9	37.5	55.9
Without injury	34.7	31.5	39.0	35.3	33.7	38.6	34.2	28.8	39.2

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 94. Violent crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police, by type of crime, victim-offender relationship and race of victims**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations reported to the police					
	All victimizations		Involving strangers		Involving nonstrangers	
	White	Black	White	Black	White	Black
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>43.7 %</b>	<b>48.7 %</b>	<b>47.3 %</b>	<b>47.3 %</b>	<b>40.1 %</b>	<b>50.1 %</b>
Completed violence	54.5	55.9	62.7	57.1	48.0	54.9
Attempted/threatened violence	39.1	44.7	41.7	42.8	36.2	46.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	32.2	27.0 *	40.8	72.2 *	27.6	17.5 *
Robbery	60.9	41.6	62.2	44.8	57.6	30.9 *
Completed/property taken	71.2	40.5	75.3	44.1	60.5	27.4 *
With injury	81.4	65.3 *	82.9	64.7 *	77.8	67.0 *
Without injury	63.9	29.4 *	70.1	36.0 *	47.9	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	43.6	43.8	40.5	46.6 *	52.3	36.7 *
With injury	58.3	100.0 *	46.2 *	100.0 *	100.0 *	100.0 *
Without injury	39.7	30.3 *	38.9	38.8 *	41.7 *	0.0 *
Assault	42.2	50.9	44.9	47.7	39.7	53.8
Aggravated	58.6	58.7	59.7	66.8	57.1	51.9
With injury	62.1	73.8	63.9	79.6	60.4	70.4
Threatened with weapon	57.1	49.9	58.3	61.4	55.0	37.6
Simple	36.8	47.4	38.2	39.6	35.7	54.7
With minor injury	47.9	62.2	52.4	63.8	45.7	61.4
Without injury	33.5	42.9	35.3	35.3	32.0	51.6

Note: Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 95. Violent crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police, by type of crime, victim-offender relationship and ethnicity of victims**

Type of crime	Percent of all victimizations reported to the police					
	All victimizations		Involving strangers		Involving nonstrangers	
	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>48.4 %</b>	<b>44.0 %</b>	<b>47.7 %</b>	<b>47.2 %</b>	<b>49.3 %</b>	<b>40.9 %</b>
Completed violence	58.5	54.7	58.4	61.9	58.8	49.4
Attempted/threatened violence	42.9	39.2	41.2	41.8	44.8	36.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	26.4 *	31.2	25.5 *	46.7	27.2 *	24.7
Robbery	54.4	56.4	53.3	58.0	59.8 *	52.3
Completed/property taken	60.8	63.0	58.9	67.0	66.7 *	52.5
With injury	66.8 *	79.4	56.8 *	82.8	83.1 *	71.0
Without injury	56.7	51.9	59.9	56.7	40.6 *	38.5
Attempted to take property	44.0 *	43.7	46.2 *	39.7	0.0 *	52.0
With injury	59.6 *	68.3	59.6 *	50.8 *	0.0 *	100.0 *
Without injury	40.7 *	36.6	43.1 *	36.7	0.0 *	36.2 *
Assault	48.1	43.0	46.7	45.3	49.6	41.0
Aggravated	67.1	58.0	61.2	61.5	76.1	53.5
With injury	74.4	64.1	70.2	67.8	82.5 *	61.2
Threatened with weapon	64.1	55.1	56.9	59.4	73.9	48.1
Simple	39.9	38.0	38.7	38.3	40.9	37.8
With minor injury	55.6	50.9	56.9	53.6	54.3	49.6
Without injury	34.2	34.3	31.3	35.3	36.6	33.3

Note: Excludes data on persons whose ethnicity was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 96. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by type of crime and age of victims**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations reported to the police				
	12-19	20-34	35-49	50-64	65 and over
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>31.5 %</b>	<b>49.9 %</b>	<b>50.3 %</b>	<b>50.6 %</b>	<b>48.8 %</b>
Crimes of violence	32.0	50.1	51.4	50.7	54.8
Completed violence	45.3	57.3	62.2	70.4	68.1
Attempted/threatened violence	25.5	46.6	47.1	45.1	48.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	30.6	27.5	29.8 *	73.6 *	35.0 *
Robbery	41.3	57.3	63.9	68.4	83.2 *
Completed/property taken	50.4	57.8	75.9	81.0	90.6 *
With injury	71.3	63.0	91.6	100.0 *	100.0 *
Without injury	36.4	54.5	64.7	67.2 *	85.1 *
Attempted to take property	23.4 *	56.5	45.4	39.0 *	42.0 *
With injury	52.7 *	76.4 *	62.7 *	36.5 *	0.0 *
Without injury	20.1 *	49.6	39.6 *	40.4 *	42.0 *
Assault	31.0	50.4	50.2	47.1	48.7
Aggravated	46.5	64.2	69.2	57.2	42.0 *
With injury	60.9	69.7	68.9	38.2 *	37.6 *
Threatened with weapon	39.4	61.4	69.3	61.0	44.1 *
Simple	25.8	45.5	43.3	44.1	50.2
With minor injury	39.6	57.9	54.5	70.5 *	46.5 *
Without injury	21.1	41.5	40.3	40.7	50.8
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	17.8 *	41.2	28.6	50.0 *	27.0 *

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 97. Property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by type of crime, form of tenure, and race and ethnicity of head of household**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations reported to the police									
	Both forms					Owned				
	All house- holds/a	White	Black	Hispanic	Non- Hispanic	All house- holds/a	White	Black	Hispanic	Non- Hispanic
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>35.1 %</b>	<b>35.1 %</b>	<b>36.3 %</b>	<b>30.3 %</b>	<b>35.6 %</b>	<b>36.5 %</b>	<b>36.6 %</b>	<b>38.9 %</b>	<b>32.0 %</b>	<b>36.8 %</b>
Household burglary	51.8	50.5	57.5	48.4	52.2	56.1	56.2	55.6	53.0	56.6
Completed	54.9	53.2	62.2	52.1	55.3	58.9	58.9	59.1	57.2	59.3
Forcible entry	76.3	74.9	79.8	74.5	76.6	78.6	78.7	76.8	90.6	77.6
Unlawful entry without force	41.5	41.7	42.2	36.8	42.1	47.1	48.4	39.6	40.1	48.2
Attempted forcible entry	35.5	36.3	34.4	24.7 *	36.4	41.3	41.4	41.1 *	29.2 *	42.1
Motor vehicle theft	79.8	79.3	83.2	77.6	80.2	81.4	81.0	85.4	86.3	80.7
Completed	91.8	91.2	95.4	91.7	91.8	94.6	94.7	95.0	100.0	93.9
Attempted	51.7	52.7	44.4	39.7 *	53.3	52.3	52.1	53.5 *	54.1 *	51.6
Theft	27.9	28.9	24.4	19.8	28.8	29.2	29.8	27.7	20.9	29.7
Completed	27.9	28.7	24.5	19.6	28.7	29.0	29.6	27.9	20.7	29.5
Less than \$50	11.9	12.2	10.6	8.3	12.3	11.2	11.4	11.1	8.2 *	11.5
\$50 - \$249	28.7	29.4	26.5	18.2	30.0	31.3	31.5	32.7	22.0	32.1
\$250 or more	56.2	57.4	49.0	47.2	56.8	61.0	62.8	49.7	51.3	61.5
Amount not available	26.0	27.6	21.7	14.1 *	27.4	27.2	27.4	30.1 *	6.3 *	29.4
Attempted	29.9	32.3	20.9 *	24.3 *	31.0	33.7	36.1	17.8 *	24.4 *	35.1

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations reported to the police				
	Rented				
	All house- holds/a	White	Black	Hispanic	Non- Hispanic
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>33.4 %</b>	<b>33.1 %</b>	<b>34.7 %</b>	<b>29.0 %</b>	<b>34.1 %</b>
Household burglary	47.0	43.4	58.6	44.3	47.4
Completed	50.4	46.0	64.0	47.7	50.8
Forcible entry	73.9	70.1	81.6	64.3	75.4
Unlawful entry without force	35.0	33.2	43.7	33.2	35.1
Attempted forcible entry	29.6	30.5	29.3 *	19.8 *	30.7
Motor vehicle theft	78.1	77.0	81.5	72.9	79.6
Completed	88.8	86.8	95.7	87.5	89.2
Attempted	50.9	53.6	38.1 *	30.5 *	55.8
Theft	26.4	27.5	22.3	19.0	27.5
Completed	26.4	27.5	22.3	18.8	27.6
Less than \$50	12.9	13.6	10.3	8.4	13.5
\$50 - \$249	25.5	26.5	22.5	15.7	27.2
\$250 or more	50.4	50.6	48.5	44.1	51.1
Amount not available	24.4	28.1	17.1 *	24.0 *	24.9
Attempted	25.2	27.3	22.8 *	24.3 *	25.9

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
a/Includes data on persons of "Other" races, not shown separately.

Table 98. Property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by type of crime and form of tenure**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations reported to the police		
	Both forms	Owned	Rented
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>35.1 %</b>	<b>36.5 %</b>	<b>33.4 %</b>
Household burglary	51.8	56.1	47.0
Completed	54.9	58.9	50.4
Forcible entry	76.3	78.6	73.9
Unlawful entry without force	41.5	47.1	35.0
Attempted forcible entry	35.5	41.3	29.6
Motor vehicle theft	79.8	81.4	78.1
Completed	91.8	94.6	88.8
Attempted	51.7	52.3	50.9
Theft	27.9	29.2	26.4
Completed	27.9	29.0	26.4
Less than \$50	11.9	11.2	12.9
\$50 - \$249	28.7	31.3	25.5
\$250 or more	56.2	61.0	50.4
Amount not available	26.0	27.2	24.4
Attempted	29.9	33.7	25.2

Table 99. Property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by type of crime and annual family income**

Type of crime	Percent of victimizations reported to the police						
	Less than \$7,500	\$7,500- \$14,999	\$15,000- \$24,999	\$25,000- \$34,999	\$35,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000 or more
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>30.6 %</b>	<b>31.8 %</b>	<b>35.5 %</b>	<b>33.7 %</b>	<b>36.6 %</b>	<b>34.8 %</b>	<b>38.1 %</b>
Household burglary	42.6	45.3	53.6	53.9	52.7	60.6	57.5
Completed	43.4	48.6	57.5	57.7	56.0	64.4	62.2
Forcible entry	65.9	71.7	82.6	76.7	70.1	81.1	88.9
Unlawful entry without force	30.0	31.1	44.0	45.9	45.7	52.6	50.0
Attempted forcible entry	35.8 *	27.4	35.6	36.2	37.5	39.3 *	31.3 *
Motor vehicle theft	71.7	80.7	84.1	73.5	74.0	81.0	80.6
Completed	82.1	97.0	91.6	87.2	88.6	96.9	98.3
Attempted	44.5 *	47.1 *	63.1	35.6	47.7	57.2	41.8 *
Theft	22.6	25.0	27.0	26.3	30.6	28.3	31.7
Completed	23.1	25.4	26.9	26.3	30.3	28.1	31.6
Less than \$50	12.9	13.5	14.0	11.6	12.8	9.7	9.5
\$50 - \$249	22.7	28.4	28.6	29.6	28.2	31.0	28.6
\$250 or more	47.9	47.4	49.1	52.0	64.0	57.7	66.9
Amount not available	7.2 *	23.6	27.9	19.5	29.9	22.1 *	53.1
Attempted	7.4 *	12.7 *	29.4	26.8	36.8	35.0	33.8

Note: Excludes data on persons whose family income level was not ascertained.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 100. Property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of victimizations reported to the police,  
by value of loss and type of crime**

Value of loss/a	Percent of all victimizations reported to the police			
	All property crimes	Household burglary	Motor vehicle theft	Theft
<b>All losses/b</b>	<b>34.5 %</b>	<b>55.1 %</b>	<b>91.8 %</b>	<b>27.9 %</b>
Less than \$10/c	16.2	34.8	100.0 *	15.2
\$10-\$49	11.0	17.8	0.0 *	10.5
\$50-\$99	20.9	26.5	0.0 *	20.3
\$100-\$249	35.4	43.6	81.5 *	34.0
\$250-\$499	50.7	56.3	23.1 *	49.6
\$500-\$999	61.7	75.2	58.5 *	56.0
\$1,000 or more	83.3	86.9	95.6	70.1

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/The proportions refer only to losses of cash and/or property, and exclude the value of property damage.

b/Includes data for victims who did not provide a specific value for their losses.

c/Includes items that had no value.



Table 101. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of reasons for reporting victimizations to the police,  
by type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of reasons for reporting	Total	Percent of reasons for reporting				
			Stop or prevent this incident	Needed help due to injury	To recover property	To collect insurance	To prevent further crimes by offender against victim
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>3,109,040</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>18.6 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>3.7 %</b>	<b>0.8 %*</b>	<b>15.8 %</b>
Crimes of violence	2,981,310	100	19.2	1.9	3.0	0.8 *	16.4
Completed violence	1,136,750	100	15.1	4.1	6.2	0.3 *	13.8
Attempted/threatened violence	1,844,560	100	21.6	0.6 *	1.0 *	1.1 *	18.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	86,990	100	13.6 *	3.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	18.8 *
Robbery	476,040	100	7.8	2.8 *	14.9	0.6 *	9.7
Completed/property taken	393,960	100	7.8	3.4 *	17.9	0.7 *	7.8
With injury	163,310	100	3.1 *	6.8 *	18.2	0.0 *	12.2 *
Without injury	230,640	100	11.1 *	1.1 *	17.8	1.3 *	4.6 *
Attempted to take property	82,090	100	7.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	19.1 *
With injury	20,690 *	100 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	26.6 *
Without injury	61,400	100	10.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	16.6 *
Assault	2,418,280	100	21.6	1.7	0.8 *	0.8 *	17.6
Aggravated	863,450	100	19.3	2.1 *	1.2 *	0.7 *	14.8
Simple	1,554,830	100	22.9	1.5 *	0.6 *	0.9 *	19.2
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	127,720	100	6.3 *	0.0 *	19.8 *	1.7 *	1.6 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>9,427,700</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>5.6 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>	<b>25.0 %</b>	<b>5.8 %</b>	<b>7.4 %</b>
Household burglary	2,667,280	100	7.4	0.1 *	21.3	3.5	11.2
Completed	2,452,240	100	6.3	0.0 *	22.9	3.6	10.8
Forcible entry	1,378,150	100	6.5	0.0 *	21.9	3.1	12.3
Unlawful entry without force	1,074,090	100	5.9	0.0 *	24.3	4.2	8.8
Attempted forcible entry	215,040	100	19.7	1.1 *	2.2 *	2.9 *	15.9
Motor vehicle theft	1,141,050	100	4.5	0.0 *	34.8	9.6	4.3
Completed	956,400	100	2.9	0.0 *	41.6	9.9	3.3
Attempted	184,650	100	12.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.6 *	9.2 *
Theft	5,619,370	100	5.0	0.2 *	24.8	6.2	6.2
Completed	5,444,780	100	4.9	0.2 *	25.6	6.3	6.1
Attempted	174,590	100	7.6 *	0.0 *	1.1 *	3.5 *	7.2 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for reporting victimizations to the police.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 101. Personal and property crimes, 1997: (continued)

Type of crime	Percent of reasons for reporting							
	To prevent crime by offender against anyone	To punish offender	To catch or find offender	To improve police surveillance	Duty to notify police	Because it was a crime	Some other reason	Not available
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>7.1 %</b>	<b>7.7 %</b>	<b>5.2 %</b>	<b>3.7 %</b>	<b>6.6 %</b>	<b>20.4 %</b>	<b>7.8 %</b>	<b>0.8 %</b>
Crimes of violence	7.2	7.8	5.0	3.6	6.5	20.2	7.6	0.8 *
Completed violence	6.7	8.8	6.6	2.0 *	7.2	23.4	5.1	0.7 *
Attempted/threatened violence	7.5	7.2	4.0	4.6	6.1	18.2	9.1	0.9 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	7.3 *	10.0 *	2.5 *	8.5 *	2.1 *	25.9 *	5.5 *	2.7 *
Robbery	2.5 *	6.0	9.6	5.5 *	9.0	27.4	4.3 *	0.0 *
Completed/property taken	0.9 *	6.7 *	10.8	4.8 *	10.1	26.3	2.6 *	0.0 *
With injury	1.0 *	3.3 *	7.9 *	1.6 *	12.2 *	31.0	2.8 *	0.0 *
Without injury	0.9 *	9.1 *	13.0	7.1 *	8.7 *	23.0	2.4 *	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	10.1 *	2.6 *	3.6 *	8.5 *	3.4 *	32.8 *	12.5 *	0.0 *
With injury	14.2 *	0.0 *	14.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	32.3 *	12.6 *	0.0 *
Without injury	8.7 *	3.4 *	0.0 *	11.4 *	4.5 *	32.9 *	12.4 *	0.0 *
Assault	8.1	8.1	4.2	3.1	6.2	18.5	8.3	0.9 *
Aggravated	9.4	9.6	6.4	4.4	8.1	18.4	5.2	0.5 *
Simple	7.4	7.2	2.9	2.4	5.2	18.6	10.0	1.2 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	3.3 *	5.6 *	9.9 *	4.1 *	9.0 *	25.8	12.8 *	0.0 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>5.0 %</b>	<b>3.6 %</b>	<b>6.2 %</b>	<b>5.2 %</b>	<b>5.9 %</b>	<b>25.2 %</b>	<b>3.9 %</b>	<b>1.0 %</b>
Household burglary	5.1	4.0	7.5	6.0	5.6	24.1	3.4	0.8 *
Completed	5.4	4.3	7.6	5.8	5.6	23.8	3.3	0.6 *
Forcible entry	4.5	4.6	8.7	6.8	5.4	23.3	2.6	0.3 *
Unlawful entry without force	6.6	3.8	6.1	4.6	5.9	24.5	4.2	1.1 *
Attempted forcible entry	1.7 *	0.8 *	6.9 *	8.8 *	4.6 *	28.1	4.4 *	3.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	3.7	3.6	6.7	3.0	4.5	20.8	2.7	1.8 *
Completed	3.3	3.7	5.8	1.9 *	4.0	18.9	2.7 *	2.0 *
Attempted	6.0 *	3.2 *	11.6 *	8.5 *	7.1 *	30.7	2.4 *	1.2 *
Theft	5.2	3.5	5.5	5.3	6.3	26.6	4.3	0.9
Completed	5.1	3.4	5.5	5.2	6.3	25.9	4.4	1.0
Attempted	6.3 *	7.0 *	3.6 *	7.8 *	5.4 *	49.3	1.3 *	0.0 *

Table 102. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting					
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>5,674,610</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>14.4 %</b>	<b>19.3 %</b>	<b>16.5 %</b>	<b>5.8 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>
Crimes of violence	5,390,200	100	14.5	20.2	16.0	6.1	0.0 *
Completed violence	1,396,980	100	13.3	19.3	9.8	3.4	0.0 *
Attempted/threatened violence	3,993,230	100	14.9	20.5	18.2	7.1	0.0 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	253,410	100	2.7 *	28.2	8.2 *	0.9 *	0.0 *
Robbery	503,360	100	8.5	9.4	13.1	2.3 *	0.0 *
Completed/property taken	258,700	100	9.3 *	8.2 *	4.7 *	1.1 *	0.0 *
With injury	61,940	100	0.0 *	7.4 *	3.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Without injury	196,760	100	12.3 *	8.4 *	5.2 *	1.4 *	0.0 *
Attempted to take property	244,660	100	7.5 *	10.8 *	22.0	3.5 *	0.0 *
With injury	27,740	100	0.0 *	10.1 *	25.9 *	21.0 *	0.0 *
Without injury	216,920	100	8.5 *	10.9 *	21.5	1.3 *	0.0 *
Assault	4,633,440	100	15.8	20.9	16.7	6.8	0.0 *
Aggravated	827,500	100	8.1	19.5	12.3	6.5	0.0 *
Simple	3,805,940	100	17.5	21.2	17.7	6.9	0.0 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	284,400	100	12.8	2.1 *	26.6	0.0 *	1.2 *
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>19,991,900</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>10.9 %</b>	<b>5.2 %</b>	<b>27.1 %</b>	<b>3.8 %</b>	<b>2.0 %</b>
Household burglary	2,636,630	100	5.7	5.6	22.6	4.4	2.6
Completed	2,129,820	100	4.7	5.5	18.0	4.1	3.0
Forcible entry	421,260	100	3.8 *	7.1	16.9	1.0 *	4.8 *
Unlawful entry without force	1,708,560	100	5.0	5.1	18.3	4.8	2.5
Attempted forcible entry	506,810	100	9.6	6.2	41.9	6.0	0.8 *
Motor vehicle theft	353,160	100	4.8 *	8.4	22.5	2.7 *	4.7 *
Completed	96,100	100	2.4 *	16.8 *	14.6 *	5.0 *	5.0 *
Attempted	257,060	100	5.7 *	5.2 *	25.4	1.9 *	4.7 *
Theft	17,002,110	100	11.8	5.0	27.9	3.7	1.9
Completed	16,354,000	100	12.1	5.0	27.4	3.5	1.9
Attempted	648,120	100	6.2	6.3	41.0	7.9	0.9 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for not reporting victimizations to the police.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 102. Personal and property crimes, 1997: (continued)

Type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting							Other reasons
	Not aware crime occurred until later	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>	<b>4.5 %</b>	<b>5.0 %</b>	<b>3.0 %</b>	<b>4.6 %</b>	<b>2.7 %</b>	<b>23.0 %</b>
Crimes of violence	0.4 *	0.3	3.8	5.0	2.9	4.8	2.6	23.3
Completed violence	0.4 *	1.0 *	4.7	5.4	4.4	9.2	2.2	26.9
Attempted/threatened violence	0.4 *	0.0 *	3.6	4.9	2.4	3.3	2.7	22.1
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	3.7 *	3.8 *	5.6 *	20.3	0.9 *	25.6
Robbery	0.0 *	2.9 *	11.6	6.5	8.9	7.7	6.0	23.1
Completed/property taken	0.0 *	5.6 *	15.5	9.5 *	5.5 *	8.3 *	5.6 *	26.7
With injury	0.0 *	4.9 *	19.3 *	0.0 *	7.2 *	10.5 *	8.3 *	39.1 *
Without injury	0.0 *	5.8 *	14.3	12.5 *	5.0 *	7.6 *	4.7 *	22.8
Attempted to take property	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.5 *	3.3 *	12.6	7.1 *	6.4 *	19.2
With injury	0.0 *	0.0 *	10.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	16.8 *	15.2 *
Without injury	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.1 *	3.7 *	14.2	8.0 *	5.1 *	19.8
Assault	0.5 *	0.0 *	3.0	4.9	2.1	3.6	2.3	23.3
Aggravated	1.1 *	0.0 *	7.2	5.9	2.9 *	7.6	3.5	25.4
Simple	0.3 *	0.0 *	2.1	4.7	2.0	2.8	2.1	22.8
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	4.0 *	6.2 *	17.1	5.1 *	4.7 *	0.0 *	4.5 *	15.7
<b>All property crimes</b>	<b>4.8 %</b>	<b>6.0 %</b>	<b>10.8 %</b>	<b>8.0 %</b>	<b>3.5 %</b>	<b>0.8 %</b>	<b>2.9 %</b>	<b>14.3 %</b>
Household burglary	7.4	6.1	14.5	7.6	4.4	1.8	1.8	15.5
Completed	8.1	7.5	15.7	8.0	4.9	2.2	2.1	16.3
Forcible entry	6.7	3.6 *	13.0	5.5 *	10.8	2.7 *	4.9 *	19.3
Unlawful entry without force	8.4	8.5	16.3	8.6	3.4	2.1	1.4 *	15.6
Attempted forcible entry	4.8 *	0.0 *	9.7	5.9	2.5 *	0.0 *	0.8 *	11.8
Motor vehicle theft	6.3 *	0.9 *	9.8	6.5 *	8.9	1.9 *	2.7 *	19.7
Completed	0.0 *	0.0 *	5.8 *	5.4 *	10.1 *	4.8 *	0.0 *	30.2
Attempted	8.7 *	1.3 *	11.4	6.9 *	8.5 *	0.8 *	3.7 *	15.8
Theft	4.4	6.1	10.2	8.1	3.2	0.6	3.1	14.0
Completed	4.5	6.3	10.2	8.1	3.3	0.6	3.1	14.2
Attempted	2.1 *	0.6 *	11.8	7.4	2.0 *	0.0 *	3.6 *	10.1

Table 103. Personal crimes, 1997:

**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police, by race of victims and type of crime**

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
<b>White</b>							
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>14.8 %</b>	<b>20.4 %</b>	<b>16.2 %</b>	<b>6.1 %</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>
Crimes of violence	100	14.9	21.1	15.9	6.3	0.0 *	0.4 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	3.3 *	30.7	8.7 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	7.4 *	11.0	17.1	3.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	16.1	21.4	16.1	6.8	0.0 *	0.5 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	13.0 *	3.1 *	24.5	0.0 *	0.0 *	5.9 *
<b>Black</b>							
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>12.8 %</b>	<b>14.6 %</b>	<b>16.6 %</b>	<b>5.1 %</b>	<b>0.4 %*</b>	<b>0.4 %*</b>
Crimes of violence	100	12.8	16.2	15.4	5.7	0.0 *	0.5 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	0.0 *	21.0 *	7.7 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	8.8 *	8.8 *	5.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	14.8	18.2	19.0	7.8	0.0 *	0.6 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	13.2 *	0.0 *	28.1 *	0.0 *	3.9 *	0.0 *

  

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
<b>White</b>							
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>0.5 %</b>	<b>3.8 %</b>	<b>4.7 %</b>	<b>2.7 %</b>	<b>4.0 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>23.7 %</b>
Crimes of violence	0.1 *	3.4	4.7	2.7	4.2	2.5	23.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	4.5 *	4.7 *	6.9 *	16.5	1.1 *	22.5
Robbery	1.2 *	7.9 *	5.3 *	6.3 *	7.7 *	7.4 *	24.7
Assault	0.0 *	3.0	4.6	2.2	3.3	2.2	23.9
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	9.1 *	14.9	4.5 *	3.4 *	0.0 *	1.9 *	19.6
<b>Black</b>							
<b>All personal crimes</b>	<b>1.3 %*</b>	<b>7.4 %</b>	<b>5.8 %</b>	<b>4.6 %</b>	<b>7.3 %</b>	<b>2.9 %*</b>	<b>20.7 %</b>
Crimes of violence	1.4 *	5.7	5.7	4.2	8.0	2.1 *	22.3
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	41.0 *	0.0 *	30.3 *
Robbery	6.3 *	14.9 *	9.8 *	11.2 *	9.2 *	1.9 *	23.9
Assault	0.0 *	3.3 *	4.9	2.3 *	5.6	2.3 *	21.3
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	23.4 *	6.9 *	8.1 *	0.0 *	10.8 *	5.6 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for not reporting victimizations to the police.  
\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,  
by victim-offender relationship and type of crime**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
<b>Involving strangers</b>								
Crimes of violence	2,002,940	100 %	13.3 %	16.5 %	19.8 %	7.7 %	0.0 %*	0.7 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	58,690	100 %	3.9 *	7.7 *	10.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	218,060	100 %	2.9 *	8.7 *	19.8	4.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,726,190	100 %	15.0	17.8	20.1	8.4	0.0 *	0.8 *
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>								
Crimes of violence	3,387,270	100 %	15.2	22.4	13.7	5.2	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	194,720	100 %	2.4 *	34.4	7.5 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	285,310	100 %	12.7	10.0	8.1 *	1.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	2,907,250	100 %	16.3	22.8	14.7	5.9	0.0 *	0.3 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
<b>Involving strangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	0.3 %*	6.7 %	5.1 %	2.9 %	2.9 %	3.5 %	20.6 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	7.1 *	5.1 *	8.5 *	18.9 *	3.8 *	34.2 *
Robbery	2.5 *	17.3	8.3 *	11.2 *	4.1 *	5.2 *	16.0
Assault	0.0 *	5.3	4.7	1.7	2.2	3.3	20.7
<b>Involving nonstrangers</b>							
Crimes of violence	0.3 *	2.2	4.9	3.0	5.9	2.1	25.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	2.6 *	3.5 *	4.8 *	20.7	0.0 *	23.0
Robbery	3.1 *	7.3 *	5.1 *	7.2 *	10.5	6.6 *	28.5
Assault	0.0 *	1.6	5.0	2.4	4.5	1.8	24.8

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.  
Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for not reporting victimizations to the police.  
\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.  
a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 105. Property crimes, 1997:

**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,  
by race of head of household and type of crime**

Race and reason for not reporting	All property crimes	Percent of reasons for not reporting			
		Total	Household Burglary	Motor vehicle theft	Theft
<b>White</b>					
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,434,940</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Reported to another official	1,799,720	11.0	5.3	4.8 *	11.9
Private or personal matter	833,220	5.1	5.6	7.2 *	4.9
Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	4,512,970	27.5	22.2	24.5	28.3
Not important enough	605,910	3.7	4.5	2.6 *	3.6
Insurance would not cover	337,530	2.1	3.0	5.0 *	1.9
Not aware crime occurred until later	817,570	5.0	8.0	5.5 *	4.5
Unable to recover property; no ID no.	1,005,250	6.1	5.9	0.0 *	6.3
Lack of proof	1,780,900	10.8	13.9	8.9 *	10.4
Police would not want to be bothered	1,297,170	7.9	7.5	4.2 *	8.0
Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	573,030	3.5	4.5	9.1 *	3.2
Fear of reprisal	120,890	0.7	1.8	0.9 *	0.6
Too inconvenient or time consuming	459,710	2.8	2.0	3.7 *	2.9
Other reasons	2,291,080	13.9	15.9	23.6	13.5
<b>Black</b>					
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,890,790</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>
Reported to another official	313,710	10.9	7.4	6.5 *	11.5
Private or personal matter	170,450	5.9	5.7 *	7.4 *	5.9
Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	689,370	23.8	24.3	17.0 *	24.0
Not important enough	122,010	4.2	3.7 *	4.1 *	4.3
Insurance would not cover	53,870	1.9	0.5 *	3.0 *	2.1
Not aware crime occurred until later	134,500	4.7	5.0 *	11.7 *	4.4
Unable to recover property; no ID no.	147,980	5.1	5.6 *	4.7 *	5.0
Lack of proof	332,940	11.5	18.8	16.6 *	10.2
Police would not want to be bothered	263,530	9.1	8.9	13.8 *	9.0
Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	95,420	3.3	4.2 *	6.1 *	3.1
Fear of reprisal	25,820 *	0.9 *	1.8 *	3.1 *	0.7 *
Too inconvenient or time consuming	80,910	2.8	0.7 *	0.0 *	3.2
Other reasons	460,270	15.9	13.3	6.0 *	16.6

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Excludes data on persons of "Other" races.

Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for not reporting victimizations to the police.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

Table 106. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of police response to a reported incident, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of incidents	Percent of incidents						
		Total	Police came to victim	Victim went to police	Contact with police- don't know how	Police did not come	Not known if police came	Police were at the scene
<b>Crimes of violence</b>	<b>3,177,180</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>75.0 %</b>	<b>6.9 %</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>12.3 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>4.1 %</b>
Rape/Sexual assault/a	88,040	100	84.5	5.3 *	0.0 *	7.7 *	0.0 *	2.5 *
Robbery	468,300	100	72.5	15.9	0.0 *	9.8	0.4 *	1.4 *
Aggravated assault	909,340	100	77.4	5.0	0.0 *	11.8	1.1 *	4.7
Simple assault	1,711,490	100	73.8	5.6	0.0 *	13.5	2.5	4.6
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	103,950	100	27.9	29.6	0.0 *	39.9	2.6 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>8,811,970</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>63.6 %</b>	<b>6.4 %</b>	<b>0.0 %*</b>	<b>26.3 %</b>	<b>2.4 %</b>	<b>1.3 %</b>
Household burglary	2,337,460	100	83.9	1.4	0.0 *	12.5	1.5	0.6 *
Motor vehicle theft	1,108,240	100	61.2	6.5	0.0 *	27.0	2.5 *	2.7
Theft	5,366,270	100	55.2	8.6	0.0 *	32.1	2.7	1.3

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.



Table 107. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents where police came to the victim,  
by police response time and type of crime**

Type of crime	Percent of incidents							
	Total	Within 5 minutes	6-10 minutes	11 minutes-1 hour	Within 1 day	Longer than 1 day	Length of time not known	Not ascertained
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>30.3 %</b>	<b>27.8 %</b>	<b>31.6 %</b>	<b>3.7 %</b>	<b>1.3 %</b>	<b>5.3 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>
Robbery	100	34.4	21.7	36.0	1.9	2.1 *	3.3 *	0.7 *
Aggravated assault	100	31.1	29.2	27.7	5.7	1.2 *	5.1	0.0 *
Simple assault	100	30.4	29.9	31.6	2.1	1.1 *	5.1	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>13.0 %</b>	<b>20.2 %</b>	<b>47.4 %</b>	<b>11.2 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>0.2 %*</b>
Household burglary	100	11.8	18.5	49.9	11.3	1.4 *	7.0	0.2 *
Motor vehicle theft	100	17.1	21.5	46.1	9.5	0.9 *	4.8	0.0 *
Theft	100	12.8	21.1	46.0	11.6	2.1	6.1	0.3 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Crimes of violence includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 108. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of incidents, by police activity during initial contact with victim and type of crime**

Type of crime	Percent of incidents							
	Total	Took report	Looked around	Took evidence	Questioned witnesses/suspects	Promised surveillance	Promised to investigate	Made arrest
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>39.7 %</b>	<b>8.7 %</b>	<b>2.5 %</b>	<b>17.7 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>4.9 %</b>	<b>10.6 %</b>
Robbery	100	46.1	14.1	3.4 *	13.9	2.1 *	4.6	6.1
Aggravated assault	100	35.4	9.2	3.6	18.2	2.1	7.7	11.1
Simple assault	100	40.0	6.8	1.4	18.8	1.8	3.2	11.8
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	100	69.5	11.9 *	0.0 *	9.3 *	2.5 *	3.7 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>49.1 %</b>	<b>20.0 %</b>	<b>7.3 %</b>	<b>6.3 %</b>	<b>1.9 %</b>	<b>6.2 %</b>	<b>1.5 %</b>
Household burglary	100	41.0	26.4	11.0	6.1	2.5	5.7	1.3
Motor vehicle theft	100	53.7	15.1	2.4	5.6	1.0 *	9.2	2.4
Theft	100	53.9	16.6	5.7	6.5	1.7	6.0	1.4

Type of crime	Other actions	Don't know	Not applicable
<b>Crimes of violence/a</b>	<b>12.4 %</b>	<b>1.4 %</b>	<b>0.3 %*</b>
Robbery	9.3	0.6 *	0.0 *
Aggravated assault	11.0	1.6 *	0.0 *
Simple assault	14.2	1.4	0.6 *
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	3.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>5.5 %</b>	<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>0.4 %</b>
Household burglary	4.3	1.5	0.1 *
Motor vehicle theft	8.1	1.9 *	0.5 *
Theft	5.8	1.9	0.6

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Crimes of violence includes data on rape and sexual assault, not shown separately.

Table 109. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Percent distribution of the kind of agency providing assistance  
by type of crime**

Type of crime	Number of victimizations	Percent of agency type providing assistance						
		Total	Government	Private	Don't know type of agency	Received no assistance	Don't know if assistance was provided	Not applicable
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>3.8 %</b>	<b>2.3 %</b>	<b>0.5 %</b>	<b>92.4 %</b>	<b>0.6 %</b>	<b>0.3 %</b>
Crimes of violence	8,614,070	100	3.9	2.3	0.6	92.3	0.6	0.3 *
Completed violence	2,679,080	100	6.2	2.5	0.7 *	89.7	0.5 *	0.4 *
Attempted/threatened violence	5,934,990	100	2.9	2.3	0.5	93.4	0.7	0.3 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	311,110	100	2.9 *	4.1 *	2.2 *	90.0	0.7 *	0.0 *
Robbery	943,940	100	5.2	3.4	0.0 *	91.2	0.2 *	0.0 *
Assault	7,359,030	100	3.8	2.1	0.6	92.5	0.7	0.3 *
Aggravated	1,883,110	100	3.8	2.4	0.5 *	92.4	0.9 *	0.0 *
Simple	5,475,920	100	3.8	2.0	0.6	92.5	0.6	0.5 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	356,530	100	0.8 *	3.1 *	0.0 *	96.1	0.0 *	0.0 *
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>25,817,140</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>0.8 %</b>	<b>0.8 %</b>	<b>0.1 %*</b>	<b>98.0 %</b>	<b>0.3 %</b>	<b>0.1 %</b>
Household burglary	4,634,920	100	1.0	0.9	0.2 *	97.6	0.4 *	0.0 *
Motor vehicle theft	1,433,370	100	0.9 *	1.1 *	0.2 *	97.0	0.6 *	0.2 *
Theft	19,748,840	100	0.7	0.8	0.1 *	98.1	0.3	0.1

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 110. Personal and property crimes, 1997:

**Number and percent distribution of series victimizations and of victimizations not in series, by type of crime**

Type of crime	Total victimizations		Series victimizations		Victimizations not in series	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Personal crimes</b>	<b>9,553,770</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>583,170</b>	<b>6.1 %</b>	<b>8,970,600</b>	<b>93.9 %</b>
Crimes of violence	9,195,020	100.0	580,950	6.3	8,614,070	93.7
Completed violence	2,833,180	100.0	154,100	5.4	2,679,080	94.6
Attempted/threatened violence	6,361,840	100.0	426,850	6.7	5,934,990	93.3
Rape/Sexual assault	345,100	100.0	33,990	9.8	311,110	90.2
Rape/Attempted rape	214,260	100.0	20,470 *	9.6 *	193,790	90.4
Rape	133,490	100.0	18,370 *	13.8 *	115,120	86.2
Attempted rape/a	80,770	100.0	2,100 *	2.6 *	78,670	97.4
Sexual assault/b	130,830	100.0	13,520 *	10.3 *	117,310	89.7
Robbery	973,150	100.0	29,210	3.0	943,940	97.0
Completed/property taken	617,560	100.0	10,910 *	1.8 *	606,660	98.2
With injury	251,630	100.0	8,410 *	3.3 *	243,220	96.7
Without injury	365,930	100.0	2,500 *	0.7 *	363,440	99.3
Attempted to take property	355,590	100.0	18,300 *	5.1 *	337,280	94.9
With injury	79,410	100.0	6,730 *	8.5 *	72,680	91.5
Without injury	276,180	100.0	11,570 *	4.2 *	264,610	95.8
Assault	7,876,780	100.0	517,750	6.6	7,359,030	93.4
Aggravated	2,003,640	100.0	120,530	6.0	1,883,110	94.0
With injury	631,640	100.0	36,740	5.8	594,900	94.2
Threatened with weapon	1,372,000	100.0	83,780	6.1	1,288,210	93.9
Simple	5,873,140	100.0	397,220	6.8	5,475,920	93.2
With minor injury	1,337,000	100.0	79,470	5.9	1,257,530	94.1
Without injury	4,536,140	100.0	317,760	7.0	4,218,390	93.0
Purse snatching/Pocket picking	358,750	100.0	2,220 *	0.6 *	356,530	99.4
Completed purse snatching	54,980	100.0	0 *	0.0 *	54,980	100.0
Attempted purse snatching	15,820 *	100.0 *	0 *	0.0 *	15,820 *	100.0 *
Completed pocket picking	287,950	100.0	2,220 *	0.8 *	285,730	99.2
<b>Property crimes</b>	<b>26,071,880</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>254,750</b>	<b>1.0 %</b>	<b>25,817,130</b>	<b>99.0 %</b>
Household burglary	4,689,720	100.0	54,800	1.2	4,634,920	98.8
Completed	3,943,840	100.0	50,870	1.3	3,892,970	98.7
Forcible entry	1,509,650	100.0	12,280 *	0.8 *	1,497,370	99.2
Unlawful entry without force	2,434,190	100.0	38,590	1.6	2,395,600	98.4
Attempted forcible entry	745,880	100.0	3,930 *	0.5 *	741,960	99.5
Motor vehicle theft	1,437,580	100.0	4,210 *	0.3 *	1,433,370	99.7
Completed	1,011,170	100.0	4,210 *	0.4 *	1,006,960	99.6
Attempted	426,410	100.0	0 *	0.0 *	426,410	100.0
Theft	19,944,580	100.0	195,740	1.0	19,748,840	99.0
Completed	19,150,560	100.0	190,550	1.0	18,960,020	99.0
Less than \$50	7,302,730	100.0	84,710	1.2	7,218,020	98.8
\$50 - \$249	6,723,800	100.0	43,730	0.7	6,680,070	99.3
\$250 or more	3,990,520	100.0	35,510	0.9	3,955,010	99.1
Amount not available	1,133,500	100.0	26,590 *	2.3 *	1,106,910	97.7
Attempted	794,010	100.0	5,190 *	0.7 *	788,820	99.3

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

\* Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape.

b/Includes threats.

## **Survey Methodology for Criminal Victimization in the United States**

The survey results contained in this report are based on data gathered from residents living throughout the United States, including persons living in group quarters, such as dormitories, rooming houses, and religious group dwellings. Crew members of merchant vessels, Armed Forces personnel living in military barracks, and institutionalized persons, such as correctional facility inmates, were not included in the scope of this survey. Similarly, U.S. citizens residing abroad and foreign visitors to this country were excluded. With these exceptions, individuals age 12 or older living in units selected for the sample were eligible to be interviewed.

### **Data Collection**

Each housing unit selected for the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) remains in the sample for 3 years, with each of seven interviews taking place at 6-month intervals. An NCVS interviewer's first contact with a housing unit selected for the survey is in person. The interviewer may then conduct subsequent interviews by telephone.

To elicit more accurate reporting of incidents, NCVS uses the self-respondent method which calls for the direct interviewing of each person 12 years or older in the household. An exception is made to use proxy interviewing instead of direct interviewing for the following three cases: 12- and 13-year-old persons when a knowledgeable household member insists they not be interviewed directly, incapacitated persons, and individuals absent from the household during the entire field-interviewing period. In the case of temporarily absent household members and persons who are physically or mentally incapable of granting interviews, interviewers may accept other household members as proxy respondents, and in certain situations non-household members may provide information for incapacitated persons.

Some interviews were conducted using Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI), a data collection mode which involves interviewing from centralized facilities and using a computerized instrument. In the CATI-eligible part of the sample, all interviews are done by telephone whenever possible, except for the first interview, which is primarily conducted in person. The telephone interviews are conducted by the CATI facilities in Hagerstown, Maryland and Tucson, Arizona.

### **Sample Design and Size**

Survey estimates are derived from a stratified, multi-stage cluster sample. The primary sampling units (PSU's) composing the first stage of the sample were counties, groups of counties, or large metropolitan areas. Large PSU's were included in the sample automatically and are considered to be self-representing (SR) since all of them were selected. The remaining PSU's, called non-self-representing (NSR), because only a subset of them was selected, were combined into strata by grouping PSU's with similar geographic and demographic characteristics, as determined by the 1990 Census.

The initial 1990 design consisted of 93 SR PSU's and 152 NSR strata, with one PSU per stratum selected with probability proportionate to population size. A sample reduction was done in October of 1996, reducing the number of NSR PSUs by 42. So, the current NCVS sample consists of only 110 NSR PSUs. The NCVS sample design continues use of both 1980- and 1990-based sample through 1997. Beginning in 1998 only 1990-based sample remains.

In the second stage of sampling, each selected stratification PSU is divided into four nonoverlapping frames (unit, area, permit, and group quarters) from which NCVS independently selects its sample.

From each selected stratification PSU, clusters of approximately four housing units or housing unit equivalents are selected from each frame. For the unit and group quarters frames, addresses come from the 1990 Census. For the permit frame, addresses come from building permit data obtained from building permit offices. This ensures that units built after the 1990 Census are included in the sample. For the area frame, sample blocks come from the 1990 Census files. Then, addresses are listed and sampled in the field.

In order to conduct field interviews, the sample is divided into six groups, or rotations, and each group of households is interviewed once every 6 months over a period of 3 years. The initial interview is used to bound the interviews (bounding establishes a time frame to avoid duplication of crimes on subsequent interviews), but is not used to compute the annual estimates. Each rotation group is further divided into six panels. A different panel of households, corresponding to one sixth of each rotation group, is interviewed each month during the 6-month period. Because the survey is continuous, newly constructed housing units are selected as described, and assigned to rotation groups and panels for subsequent incorporation into the sample. A new rotation group enters the sample every 6 months, replacing a group phased out after being in the sample for 3 years.

### Selection of Cases for CATI

Currently, the NCVS sample PSU's fall into three groups of CATI usage: maximum-CATI PSU's, where all the segments in the PSU are CATI-eligible; half-CATI PSU's, where half of the segments in the PSU are randomly designated to be CATI-eligible; and no-CATI PSU's, where none of the segments are CATI-eligible. The level of CATI usage for each PSU was established with concern toward an optimal workload for the field interviewers. In the "half-CATI" PSU's, a random sample of about 50% of the segments in each PSU is taken and designated as CATI-eligible. The sample cases in CATI-eligible segments from the max-CATI and the half-CATI PSU's are interviewed from CATI facilities while the other sample cases are interviewed by the standard NCVS field procedures.

### **Collection Year Estimates**

The data in the surveys were collected during the calendar year being estimated. Because of the retrospective nature of the survey, the estimates include some incidents that actually occurred during the previous year. Analyses comparing the victimization information collected in a calendar year (termed a collection year) to that obtained about victimizations experienced in the same calendar year (called a data year) show only a small difference between the two methods. The differences will be greater during periods of changing crime rates and less during periods of stable rates.

### **Estimation Procedure**

Annual collection year estimates of the levels and rates of victimization are derived by accumulating four quarterly estimates. The weights of all crimes reported during interviews in that year are summed, regardless of when the crime occurred. The base for the collection year rate for personal crime is sum of all person weights. Likewise, the base for the property crime rates is the sum of all household weights.

**Month of Interview by Month of Reference**  
(X's denote months in the 6-month reference period)

Month of interview	Period of reference within bounded period											
	First Quarter			Second Quarter			Third Quarter			Fourth Quarter		
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
January												
February	X											
March	X	X										
April	X	X	X									
May	X	X	X	X								
June	X	X	X	X	X							
July	X	X	X	X	X	X						
August		X	X	X	X	X	X					
September			X	X	X	X	X	X				
October				X	X	X	X	X	X			
November					X	X	X	X	X	X		
December						X	X	X	X	X	X	
January							X	X	X	X	X	X
February								X	X	X	X	X
March									X	X	X	X
April										X	X	X
May											X	X
June												X
July												

The estimation procedure begins with the application of a base weight to the data from each individual interviewed. The base weight is the reciprocal of the probability of each unit's selection for the sample, and provides a rough measure of the population represented by each person in the sample. Next, an adjustment is made to account for households and individuals in occupied units who were selected for the survey but unavailable for interview.

In addition to adjusting for unequal probabilities of selection and observation, the final weight also includes a ratio adjustment to known population totals based on the adjusted counts from the 1990 Census. Specifically, the final person weight is the product of the values of the following six component weights; the final household weight is the product of all components except the within-household non-interview adjustment component detailed below:

### *Probabilities of selection*

- Base weight: The inverse of the sample unit's probability of selection.
- Weighting control factor: adjusts for any subsampling due to unexpected events in the field, such as unusually high growth in new construction, area segments larger than anticipated, and other deviations from the overall stratum sampling rate.

### *Probabilities of observation (Nonresponse)*

- Household non-interview adjustment: adjusts for nonresponse at the household level by inflating the weight assigned to interviewed households so that they represent themselves and non-interviewed households.
- Within-household non-interview adjustment: adjusts for nonresponse at the person level by inflating the weight assigned to the interviewed persons so that they represent themselves and the missed interviews.

### *Post-stratification ratio adjustment to known population totals*

The distribution of the sample population may differ somewhat from that of the total population in terms of age, race, sex, residence, and other characteristics. Because of this, two stages of ratio estimation are employed to bring the two distributions into closer agreement, thereby reducing the variability of the sample estimates.

- First-stage factor: the first stage of ratio estimation is applied only to non-self-representing PSU's. Its purpose is to reduce sampling error caused by selecting one PSU to represent an entire stratum. It adjusts for race and zone of residence differences between the sample non-self-representing PSU's and the population non-self-representing PSU's. (For self-representing PSU's this factor is set to 1).
- Second-stage factor: the second stage of ratio estimation is applied on an individual basis to bring the distribution of individuals in the sample into closer agreement with independent current estimates of the population according to age, sex and race characteristics<sup>1</sup>. This factor is defined for each person to adjust for the difference between weighted counts of persons (using the above five weight components) and independent estimates of the number of persons, within the defined cells. These independent estimates are projections based on the 1990 Census population controls adjusted for the undercount.

For household crimes, the characteristics of the wife in a husband-wife household and the characteristics of the head of household in other types of households are used to determine the ratio adjustment factors. This procedure is considered more precise than simply using the characteristics of the head of household since sample coverage is generally better for females than males.

For estimates involving *incidents* rather than *victimizations*, further adjustments are made to those cases where an incident involved more than one person. These incidents have more than one chance of being included in the sample so each multiple-victimization is reduced by the number of victims. Thus, if two

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<sup>1</sup> Armed forced personnel who are eligible to be interviewed are not included in the second-stage ratio estimate and receive a factor of 1.



people are victimized during the same incident, the weight assigned to that incident is the person weight reduced by one-half so that the incident cannot be counted twice. However, the details of the event's outcome as they related to the victim are reflected in the survey results. No adjustment is necessary in estimating data on household crimes because each separate crime is defined as involving only one household.

### **Series Victimization**

A series victimization is defined as six or more similar but separate crimes which the victim is unable to recall individually or describe in detail to an interviewer. These series crimes have been excluded from the tables because the victims were unable to provide details for each event. Data on series crimes are gathered by the calendar quarter(s) of occurrence, making it possible to match the timeframes used in tabulating the data for non-series crimes. (See Table 110).

The effect of combining series and non-series crimes, counting each of the series crimes as a single victimization based on the details of the most recent incident, was included in the initial release of the 1980 data<sup>2</sup>. The report showed that victimization counts and rates were higher in 1979 and 1980 when the series crimes were added. However, rate changes between these 2 years were basically in the same direction and significantly affected the same crimes as those affected when only non-series crimes were analyzed.

### **Accuracy of Estimates**

The accuracy of an estimate is a measure of its total error, that is, the sum of all the errors affecting the estimate: sampling error as well as nonsampling error.

The sample used for the NCVS is one of a large number of possible samples of equal size that could have been obtained by using the same sample design and selection procedures. Estimates derived from different samples would differ from one another due to sampling variability, or sampling error.

The standard error of a survey estimate is a measure of the variation among that estimate from all possible samples. Therefore, it is a measure of the precision (reliability) with which a particular estimate approximates the average result of all possible samples. The estimate and its associated standard error may be used to construct a confidence interval. A confidence interval is a range of numbers which has a specified probability that the average of all possible samples, which is the true unknown value of interest in an unbiased design, is contained within the interval. About 68% of the time, the survey estimate will differ from the true average by less than one standard error. Only 10% of the time will the difference be more than 1.6 standard errors, and just 1 time in 100 will it be greater than 2.5 standard errors. A 95% confidence interval is the survey estimate plus or minus twice the standard error, thus there is a 95% chance that the result of a complete census would fall within the confidence interval.

In addition to sampling error, the estimates in this report are subject to nonsampling error. While substantial care is taken in the NCVS to reduce the sources of nonsampling error throughout all the survey operations, by means of a quality assurance program, quality controls, operational controls, and error-correcting procedures, an unquantified amount of nonsampling error remains still.

Major sources of nonsampling error are related to the inability of the respondents to recall in detail the crimes which occurred during the 6 months prior to the interview. Research based on interviews of victims obtained from police files indicates that assault is recalled with the least accuracy of any crime measured by the NCVS. This may be related to the tendency of victims to not report crimes committed by offenders who are not strangers, especially if they are relatives. In addition, among certain groups, crimes which contain elements of assault could be a part of everyday life, and are therefore forgotten or not considered important enough to mention to a survey interviewer. These recall problems may result in an understatement of the actual rate of assault.

Another source of nonsampling error is the inability of some respondents to recall the exact month a crime occurred, even though it was placed in the correct reference period. This error source is partially offset by interviewing monthly and using the estimation procedure described earlier. Telescoping is another problem in which incidents that occurred before the reference period are placed within the

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<sup>2</sup>See *Criminal Victimization in the United States; 1979-80 Changes, 1973-80 Trends*, BJS Technical Report, NCJ-80838, July 1982

period. The effect of telescoping is minimized by using the bounding procedure previously described. The interviewer is provided with a summary of the incidents reported in the preceding interview and, if a similar incident is reported, it can be determined whether or not it is a new one by discussing it with the victim. Events which occurred after the reference period are set aside for inclusion with the data from the following interview.

Other sources of nonsampling error can result from other types of response mistakes, including errors in reporting incidents as crimes, misclassification of crimes, systematic data errors introduced by the interviewer, errors made in coding and processing the data. Quality control and editing procedures were used to minimize the number of errors made by the respondents and the interviewers.

Since field representatives conducting the interviews usually reside in the area in which they interview, the race and ethnicity of the field representatives generally matches that of the local population. Special efforts are made to further match field representatives and the people they interview in areas where English is not commonly spoken. About 90% of all NCVS field representatives are female.

Standard errors measure only those nonsampling errors arising from transient factors affecting individual responses completely at random (simple response variance); they do not reveal any systematic biases in the data. As calculated in the NCVS, the standard errors would partially measure nonsampling error arising from some of the above sources, such as transient memory errors, or accidental errors in recording or coding answers, for example.

## Computation and Application of Standard Errors

Deriving standard errors which are applicable to a wide variety of items and which can be prepared at a moderate cost requires a number of approximations. Therefore, three generalized variance function (gvf) constant parameters (identified as "a", "b", and "c" in the following section) were developed for use in calculating standard errors. The parameters provide an indication of the order of magnitude of the standard errors rather than the precise standard error for any specific item.

Direct variances were calculated using the balanced repeated replication (BRR) method. The estimates and their corresponding variances were fit to the standard 3-parameter model to obtain the value of the parameters.

### NOTATION

$x$	=	the estimated number (level) of personal or household victimizations or incidents
$y$	=	the base; either the total number of persons or households (for victimization rates) or the total of all victimizations (for incident characteristics)
$p$	=	the estimated proportion, resulting from dividing the number of victimizations into the base. Also, the percentage or rate expressed in decimal form. The percentage is $100p$ and the rate per thousand is $1000p$ .
$s(p)$	=	the estimated standard error of $p$

It follows that:

$$s(\text{percentage}) = s(100p) = 100 s(p)$$

$$s(\text{rate}) = s(1000p) = 1000 s(p)$$

a,b,c	=	the generalized variance function parameters (see chart)
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1996 Parameter Set	a	b	c
1. Overall Person Crime Estimates	-0.00004325	2096	1.683
2. Person Crime Domain Estimates	-0.00006543	2378	1.883
3. Overall Property Crime Estimates	-0.00009283	1567	1.332
4. Property Crime Domain Estimates	-0.00005524	2281	1.203

1997 Parameter Set	a	b	c
1. Overall Person Crime Estimates	.00017479	2792	1.720
2. Person Crime Domain Estimates	.00016972	2945	2.010
3. Overall Property Crime Estimates	.00008155	1299	2.091
4. Property Crime Domain Estimates	.00023869	2278	1.731

1998 Parameter Set	a	b	c
1. Overall Person Crime Estimates	-0.00007044	2029	3.320
2. Person Crime Domain Estimates	0.00001297	2656	3.390
3. Overall Property Crime Estimates	-0.00002708	1717	1.839
4. Property Crime Domain Estimates	0.00003528	2263	1.835

Parameter set #1 is used for the overall person crime estimates (Table 1). These are the person crime estimates by crime category for the whole population, not disaggregated by any victim, offender, or incident characteristics, nor any variable related to reporting to police.

Parameter set #2 is used for the person crime domain estimates. These are the person crime estimates disaggregated by victim, offender, or incident characteristics, or any variable related to reporting to police.

Parameter set #3 is used for the property crime estimates for the whole population (Table 1). These are the property crime estimates by crime category for the whole population, not disaggregated by any household characteristics, nor any variable related to reporting to police.

Parameter set #4 is used for the property crime domain estimates. These are the property crime estimates disaggregated by household characteristics, or any variable related to reporting to police.

For the statistic from Table 1 that corresponds to the crime category "all crimes" (i.e., person and property crimes together), parameter set #3 should be used. When the person and property estimates are combined (i.e., all crimes) and disaggregated by victim, household, incident characteristics, as well as any variable related to reporting to police, parameter set #4 should be used for the best estimate of the corresponding variance. All of the following examples are based upon 1997 data. These formulas are applied in the same way for other years.

*Formula 1. Levels:* Standard errors for the estimated *number of victimizations or incidents* may be calculated by using the following formula:

$$s(x) = \sqrt{ax^2 + bx + cx^{3/2}}$$

The following example illustrates the proper use of Formula 1. Table 1 in 1997 shows 606,660 completed robberies. This estimate and the appropriate parameters are substituted in the formula as follows:

$$s(x) = \sqrt{(.00017479)(606,660)^2 + (2792)(606,660) + (1.720)(606,660)^{3/2}} = 50,704$$

Therefore, the 95% confidence interval around the estimated number of robbery victimizations is about equal to 606,660 plus or minus twice (1.96) the standard error, or plus or minus 99,379: an interval of 507,281 to 706,039.

*Formula 2. Proportions, Percentages, and Rates:* Standard errors for the estimated *victimization rates or percentages* are calculated using the following formula:

$$s(p) = \sqrt{\frac{b p (1.0 - p)}{y} + \frac{c p (\sqrt{p} - p)}{\sqrt{y}}}$$

The following example demonstrates the use of Formula 2. Table 3 in 1997 shows an estimated robbery rate of 7.4 per 1,000 persons between the ages of 20 and 24, based on a total of 17,648,850 persons in this age range. Substituting the appropriate values into the formula yields:

$$s(p) = \sqrt{\frac{2945 (.0074) (1.0-.0074)}{17,648,850} + \frac{2.010 (.0074) (\sqrt{.0074}-.0074)}{\sqrt{17,648,850}}}$$

$$= 0.0012 \text{ or } 1.2 \text{ per thousand}$$

Thus, the 95% confidence interval is 7.4 per 1,000 plus or minus 2.4: an interval of 5.0 to 9.8 per 1,000.

*Formula 3. Difference in rates or percentages with different bases: The standard error of a difference between two rates or percentages having different bases is calculated using the formula:*

$$s(p_1 - p_2) = \sqrt{\text{var}(p_1) + \text{var}(p_2) - 2 \rho s(p_1)s(p_2)}$$

where: *rho* is the year-to-year correlation between  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  (see chart); and  $\text{var}(p_1)$  and  $\text{var}(p_2)$  are the square of the standard error of  $p$  using Formula 2 for each rate and substituting:

$p_1$  = first percent or rate (expressed as a proportion in decimal form)

$y_1$  = base from which first percent or rate was derived

$p_2$  = second percent or rate (expressed as a proportion in decimal form)

$y_2$  = base from which second percent or rate was derived

Year-to-Year Correlation Between Estimates

Because of the year-to-year overlap in the sample, the same households and persons contribute to annual estimates for different years. This year-to-year correlation between estimates is measured by  $\rho$ . In general:

$\rho$  = 0 when estimates are for the same year

$\rho \neq 0$  for year-to-year comparisons

When comparing estimates that are 1 year apart, use  $\rho$  as shown below.

When comparing estimates that are 2 years apart, multiply  $\rho$  by 1/2

When comparing estimates that are more than 2 years apart, assume  $\rho=0$ .

Following are NCVS year-to-year correlation values for major crime categories.

TYPE OF CRIME	1996-97 CORRELATION	1995-97 CORRELATION	1996-98 CORRELATION	1997-98 CORRELATION
Total Crimes	0.41	0.14	0.20	0.41
Total Personal Crimes	0.30	0.11	0.15	0.30
Crimes of Violence	0.31	0.11	0.15	0.31
Rape/Sexual Assault	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.04
Robbery	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.04
Assault	0.30	0.11	0.15	0.30
Purse Snatching/Pocket	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03
Total Property Crimes	0.38	0.13	0.19	0.38
Burglary	0.21	0.07	0.10	0.21
Motor Vehicle Theft	0.08	0.03	0.04	0.08
Theft	0.34	0.12	0.17	0.34

If estimates are uncorrelated,  $\rho = 0$ . Hence, omitting the term containing  $\rho$  in the formula will provide an accurate standard error for the difference between uncorrelated estimates. On the other hand, if the two estimates have a strong positive correlation, omitting the last term will cause overestimation of the true standard error. If the numbers have a strong negative correlation, this will cause underestimation of the actual standard error.

The following example illustrates the use of Formula 3. Table 4 in 1997 lists victimization rate for aggravated assault for males as 10.9 per 1,000 and the rate for females as 6.4 per 1,000. The total number of males in the population is 106,598,660 and the total of females, 113,240,440. Noting that  $\rho = 0$  because the two estimates are for the same year and placing the appropriate values in the formulas yields:

$$\text{var}(p_1) = \frac{2945 (.0109) (1.0-.0109)}{106,598,660} + \frac{2.010 (.0109) (\sqrt{.0109}-.0109)}{\sqrt{106,598,660}} = 0.000000496$$

$$\text{var}(p_2) = \frac{2945 (.0064) (1.0-.0064)}{113,240,440} + \frac{2.010 (.0064) (\sqrt{.0064}-.0064)}{\sqrt{113,240,440}} = 0.000000254$$

*Standard error of the difference =*

$$\sqrt{0.000000496 + 0.000000254} = .00087 \text{ or } .87$$

*per thousand*

The 95% confidence interval around the difference of 4.5 per thousand is approximately the difference plus or minus 1.7 per thousand (a difference between 2.8 and 6.2 per thousand).

The ratio of a difference to the standard error of the difference is the "z score", which is associated with a given statistical level of significance. For example, a ratio with an absolute value of 2.0 (1.96, to be exact) or greater indicates that the difference is significant at the 95% confidence level (or greater); a ratio with an absolute value between 1.6 and 2.0 indicates the difference is significant at a confidence level between 90% and 95%; a ratio with an absolute value less than 1.6 denotes a confidence level less than 90%. In the previous example, the ratio of the difference (.0045) to the standard error (.00087) is 5.17. Thus the aggravated assault rate for males and females was significantly different at a confidence level exceeding 95%.



*Formula 4.* Differences in percentages of a single response variable with the same base: The standard error of the difference between two percentages derived from a single response variable with the same base is calculated using the formula:

$$s(p_1 - p_2) = \sqrt{\text{var}(p_1) + \text{var}(p_2) - 2 \rho s(p_1)s(p_2)}$$

where

$$\rho = -\sqrt{\frac{p_1 p_2}{q_1 q_2}}$$

$$q_1 = 1 - p_1$$

$$q_2 = 1 - p_2$$

All other terms are as defined in Formula 3, except that  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are the same common base,  $y$ .

The following example, which uses Table 43 for 1997, illustrates the use of Formula 4. The proportion of single-offender violent crime victimizations involving relatives was 10.8% and the proportion involving acquaintances (well-known or casual) was 45.2%, out of a total of 6,737,250 single-offender violent crime victimizations. Substituting the appropriate values into the formula gives:

$$\text{var}(p_1) = \frac{2945 (.108) (1.0-.108)}{6,737,660} + \frac{2.010 (.108) (\sqrt{.108}-.108)}{\sqrt{6,737,660}} = 0.000061$$

$$\text{var}(p_2) = \frac{2945 (.452) (1.0-.452)}{6,737,660} + \frac{2.010 (.452) (\sqrt{.452}-.452)}{\sqrt{6,737,660}} = 0.000185$$

*Standard error of the difference*

$$\sqrt{0.000061 + 0.000185 + 2 \sqrt{0.09987}(0.008)(0.01361)} = 0.018 \text{ or } 1.8 \text{ percent}$$

The confidence interval around the difference at one standard error is from -32.6% to -36.2% (-34.4% plus or minus 1.8%). The ratio of the difference (-0.344) to its standard error (0.018) is -19.11. Since 19.11 is greater than 2.0, the difference between these two percentages is statistically significant at a confidence level exceeding 95%.

**Number of households and persons interviewed by year.**

Year	Number of households Interviewed	Household Response Rate	Number of Persons interviewed	Response rate for Persons
1996	45,000	93%	85,000	91%
1997	43,000	95%	79,000	85%

## Criminal Victimization Glossary

**Age** - The appropriate age category is determined by the respondent's age on the last day of the month before the interview.

**Annual household income** - The total income of the household head and all members of the household for the 12 months preceding the interview. Includes wages, salaries, net income from businesses or farms, pensions, interest, dividends, rent, and any other form of monetary income.

**Aggravated assault** - Attack or attempted attack with a weapon, regardless of whether or not an injury occurred and attack without a weapon when serious injury results.

*With injury* - An attack without a weapon when serious injury results or an attack with a weapon involving any injury. Serious injury includes broken bones, lost teeth, internal injuries, loss of consciousness, and any unspecified injury requiring two or more days of hospitalization.

*Threatened with a weapon* - Threat or attempted attack by an offender armed with a gun, knife, or other object used as a weapon, not resulting in victim injury.

**Assault** - An unlawful physical attack or threat of attack. Assaults may be classified as aggravated or simple. Rape, attempted rape, and sexual assaults are excluded from this category, as well as robbery and attempted robbery. The severity of assaults ranges from minor threat to incidents which are nearly fatal.

**Burglary** ( also *Household burglary*) - Unlawful or forcible entry or attempted entry of a residence. This crime usually, but not always, involves theft. The illegal entry may be by force, such as breaking a window or slashing a screen, or may be without force by entering through an unlocked door or an open window. As long as the person entering has no legal right to be present in the structure a burglary has occurred. Furthermore, the structure need not be the house itself for a burglary to take place; illegal entry of a garage, shed, or any other structure on the premises also constitutes household burglary. If breaking and entering occurs in a hotel or vacation residence, it is still classified as a burglary for the household whose member or members were staying there at the time the entry occurred.

*Completed burglary* - A form of burglary in which a person who has no legal right to be present in the structure successfully gains entry to a residence, by use of force, or without force.

*Forcible entry* - A form of completed burglary in which force is used to gain entry to a residence. Some examples include breaking a window or slashing a screen.

*Unlawful entry without force* - A form of completed burglary committed by someone having no legal right to be on the premises, even though no force is used.

*Attempted forcible entry* - A form of burglary in which force is used in an attempt to gain entry.

**Collection year** - The set of victimizations reported to NCVS in interviews conducted during the same calendar year. This set may include victimizations which occurred in the previous calendar year, due to the retrospective nature of the NCVS interview. Collection year data are used in tables beginning in 1996. See "Data year."

**Commercial crimes** - Crimes against commercial establishments of any type are not included in the survey. Commercial establishments include stores, restaurants, businesses, service stations, medical offices or hospitals, or other similar establishments. For victimizations occurring in commercial establishments, the crime is included or not included depending upon whether the survey respondent was threatened or harmed in some way or personal property was taken.

**Crime classification** - Victimizations and incidents are classified based upon detailed characteristics of the event provided by the respondent. Neither victims nor interviewers classify crimes at the time of interview. During data processing, a computer program classifies each event into one type of crime, based upon the entries on a number of items on the survey questionnaire. This ensures that similar events will be classified using a standard procedure. The glossary definition for each crime indicates the major characteristics required to be so classified. If an event can be classified as more than one type of crime, a hierarchy is used which classifies the crime according to the most serious event that occurred. The hierarchy is: rape, sexual assault, robbery, assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, theft.

**Data year** - The set of victimizations reported to NCVS all of which occurred within the same calendar year. For all years prior to 1996, NCVS data are based upon data year. Beginning in 1996 and later years, data are based upon collection year. See "Collection Year."

**Ethnicity** - A classification based on Hispanic culture and origin, regardless of race.

**Head of household** - A classification which defines one and only one person in each housing unit as the head. Head of household implies that the person rents or owns (or is in the process of buying), the housing unit. The head of household must be at least 18, unless all members of the household are under 18, or the head is married to someone 18 or older.

**Hispanic** - A person who describes himself as Mexican-American, Chicano, Mexican, Mexicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central American, South American, or from some other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

**Household** - A person or group of people meeting either of the following criteria. (1) people whose usual place of residence is the same housing unit, even if they are temporarily absent. (2) people staying in a housing unit who have no usual place of residence elsewhere.

**Household Burglary** - See burglary

**Incident** - A specific criminal act involving one or more victims and offenders. For example, if

two people are robbed at the same time and place, this is classified as two robbery victimizations but only one robbery incident.

**Marital status** - Every person is assigned to one of the following classifications: (1) married, which includes persons in common-law unions and those who are currently living apart for reasons other than marital discord (employment, military service, etc.); (2) separated or divorced, which includes married persons who are legally separated and those who are not living together because of marital discord; (3) widowed; and (4) never married, which includes persons whose marriages have been annulled and those who are living together and not in a common-law union.

**Metropolitan area** - See "Metropolitan Statistical Area."

**Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)** - The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) defines this as a population nucleus of 50,000 or more, generally consisting of a city and its immediate suburbs, along with adjacent communities having a high degree of economic and social integration with the nucleus. MSA's are designated by counties, the smallest geographic units for which a wide range of statistical data can be attained. However, in New England, MSA's are designated by cities and towns since these subcounty units are of great local significance and considerable data is available for them. Currently, an area is defined as an MSA if it meets one of two standards:

(1) a city has a population of at least 50,000; (2) the Census Bureau defines an urbanized area of at least 50,000 people with a total metropolitan population of at least 100,000 (or 75,000 in New England). The Census Bureau's definition of urbanized areas, data on commuting to work, and the strength of the economic and social ties between the surrounding counties and the central city determine which counties not containing a main city are included in an MSA. For New England, MSA's are determined by a core area and related cities and towns, not counties. A metropolitan statistical area may contain more than one city of 50,000 and may cross State lines.

**Motor vehicle** - An automobile, truck, motorcycle, or any other motorized vehicle legally allowed on public roads and highways.

**Motor vehicle theft** - Stealing or unauthorized taking of a motor vehicle, including attempted thefts.

*Completed motor vehicle theft* - The successful taking of a vehicle by an unauthorized person.

*Attempted motor vehicle theft* - The unsuccessful attempt by an unauthorized person to take a vehicle.

**Multiple offenders** - Two or more persons inflicting some direct harm to a victim. The *victim-offender relationship* is determined by the offender with the closest relationship to the victim. The following list ranks the different relationships from closest to most distant: spouse, ex-spouse, parent, child, other relative, nonrelative well-known person, casual acquaintance, or stranger. (See *Nonstranger* and *Stranger*.)

**Non-Hispanic** - Persons who report their culture or origin as something other than "Hispanic" as defined above. This distinction is made regardless of race.

**Nonstranger** - A classification of a crime victim's relationship to the offender. An offender who is either related to, well known to, or casually acquainted with the victim is a nonstranger. For crimes with more than one offender, if any of the offenders are nonstrangers, then the group of offenders as a whole is classified as nonstranger. This category only applies to crimes which involve contact between the victim and the offender; the distinction is not made for crimes of theft since victims of this offense rarely see the offenders.

**Offender** - The perpetrator of a crime; this term usually applies to crimes involving contact between the victim and the offender.

**Offense** - A crime. When referring to personal crimes, the term can be used to refer to both victimizations and incidents.

**Personal crimes** - Rape, sexual assault, personal robbery, assault, purse snatching and pocket picking. This category includes both attempted and completed crimes.

**Place of occurrence of crime** - The location at which a crime occurred, as specified by the victim. Survey measures of crimes occurring in commercial establishments, restaurants, nightclubs, public transportation and other similar places include only those crimes involving NCVS measured crimes against persons, not the establishments. Crimes against commercial establishments and other places are not measured by the survey.

**Property crimes** - Property crimes including burglary, motor vehicle theft, or theft. This category includes both attempted and completed crimes.

**Purse snatching/Pocket picking** - Theft or attempted theft of property or cash directly from the victim by stealth, without force or threat of force.

**Race** - Racial categories for this survey are white, black, and other. The "other" category is composed mainly of Asian Pacific Islanders, and American Indian, Aleut, and Eskimo. The race of the head of household is used in determining the race of the household for computing household crime demographics.

**Rape** - Forced sexual intercourse including both psychological coercion as well as physical force. Forced sexual intercourse means vaginal, anal or oral penetration by the offender(s). This category also includes incidents where the penetration is from a foreign object such as a bottle. Includes attempted rapes, male as well as female victim and both heterosexual and homosexual rape. Attempted rape includes verbal threats of rape.

**Rate of victimization** - see "Victimization rate."

**Region** - The States have been divided into four groups or census regions:

*Midwest* - Includes the 12 States of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

*Northeast* - Includes the 9 states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

*South* - Includes the District of Columbia and the 16 States of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

*West* - Includes the 13 states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

**Robbery** - Completed or attempted theft, directly from a person, of property or cash by force or threat of force, with or without a weapon, and with or without injury.

*Completed/property taken* - The successful taking of property from a person by force or threat of force, with or without a weapon, and with or without injury.

*Completed with injury* - The successful taking of property from a person, accompanied by an attack, either with or without a weapon, resulting in injury.

*Completed without injury* - The successful taking of property from a person by force or the threat of force, either with or without a weapon, but not resulting in injury.

*Attempted to take property* - The attempt to take property from a person by force or threat of force without success, with or without a weapon, and with or without injury.

*Attempted without injury* - The attempt to take property from a person by force or the threat of force without success, either with or without a weapon, but not resulting in injury.

*Attempted with injury* - The attempt to take property from a person without success, accompanied by an attack, either with or without a weapon, resulting in injury.

**Rural area** - A place not located inside the Metropolitan Statistical Area. This category includes a variety of localities, ranging from sparsely populated rural areas to cities with populations less than 50,000.

**Sample** - The set of housing units selected by the U. S. Census Bureau to be interviewed for the survey. All occupants of the household age 12 or older are interviewed. See methodology for sample inclusions and exclusions.

**Series** - Six or more similar but separate events, which the respondent is unable to describe separately in detail to an interviewer.

**Sexual assault** - A wide range of victimizations, separate from rape or attempted rape. These



crimes include attacks or attempted attacks generally involving unwanted sexual contact between victim and offender. Sexual assaults may or may not involve force and include such things as grabbing or fondling. Sexual assault also includes verbal threats.

**Simple assault** - Attack without a weapon resulting either in no injury, minor injury (for example, bruises, black eyes, cuts, scratches or swelling) or in undetermined injury requiring less than 2 days of hospitalization. Also includes attempted assault without a weapon.

*With minor injury* - An attack without a weapon resulting in such injuries as bruises, black eyes, cuts or in undetermined injury requiring less than 2 days of hospitalization.

*Without injury* - An attempted assault without a weapon not resulting in injury.

**Stranger** - A classification of the victim's relationship to the offender for crimes involving direct contact between the two. Incidents are classified as involving strangers if the victim identifies the offender as a stranger, did not see or recognize the offender, or knew the offender only by sight. Crimes involving multiple offenders are classified as involving nonstrangers if any of the offenders was a nonstranger. Since victims of theft without contact rarely see the offender, no distinction is made between strangers and nonstrangers for this crime.

**Suburban areas** - A county or counties containing a central city, plus any contiguous counties that are linked socially and economically to the central city. On data tables, suburban areas are categorized as those portions of metropolitan areas situated "outside central cities."

**Tenure** - The NCVS recognizes two forms of household tenancy: (1) owned, which includes dwellings that are mortgaged, and (2) rented, which includes rent-free quarters belonging to a party other than the occupants, and situations where rental payments are in kind or services.

**Theft** - Completed or attempted theft of property or cash without personal contact. Incidents involving theft of property from within the sample household would classify as theft if the offender has a legal right to be in the house (such as a maid, delivery person, or guest). If the offender has no legal right to be in the house, the incident would classify as a burglary.

*Completed* - To successfully take without permission property or cash without personal contact between the victim and offender.

*Attempted* - To unsuccessfully attempt to take property or cash without personal contact.

**Urban areas** - The largest city (or grouping of cities) in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (see definition of Metropolitan Statistical Area).

**Victim** - The recipient of a criminal act, usually used in relation to personal crimes, but also applicable to households.

**Victimization** - A crime as it affects one individual person or household. For personal crimes, the number of victimizations is equal to the number of victims involved. The number of victimizations may be greater than the number of incidents because more than one person may be victimized during an incident. Each crime against a household is assumed to involve a single victim, the affected household.

**Victimization rate** - A measure of the occurrence of victimizations among a specified population group. For personal crimes, this is based on the number of victimizations per 1,000 residents age 12 or older. For household crimes, the victimization rates are calculated using the number of incidents per 1,000 households.

**Victimize** - To commit a crime against a person or household.

**Violence, crimes of** - Rape, sexual assault, personal robbery or assault. This category includes both attempted and completed crimes. It does not include purse snatching and pocket picking. Murder is not measured by the NCVS because of an inability to question the victim.

*Completed violence* - The sum of all completed rapes, sexual assaults, robberies, and assaults. See individual crime types for definition of completed crimes.

*Attempted/threatened violence* - The unsuccessful attempt of rape, sexual assault, personal robbery or assault. Includes attempted attacks or sexual assaults by means of verbal threats. See individual crime types for definition of attempted crimes