

Table 24  
**HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1993-2002**  
 By Contributing Circumstance

Contributing circumstance	1993		1994		1995		1996		1997	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total including unknown.....	4,095		3,699		3,530		2,910		2,579	
Unknown.....	643		527		595		389		424	
Total known.....	3,452	100.0	3,172	100.0	2,935	100.0	2,521	100.0	2,155	100.0
Rape, robbery, burglary.	515	14.9	409	12.9	385	13.1	320	12.7	240	11.1
Rape.....	21	0.6	19	0.6	14	0.5	11	0.4	12	0.6
Robbery.....	476	13.8	366	11.5	342	11.7	294	11.7	219	10.2
Burglary.....	18	0.5	24	0.8	29	1.0	15	0.6	9	0.4
Argument.....	1,532	44.4	1,374	43.3	1,207	41.1	1,070	42.4	928	43.1
Domestic violence <sup>1</sup> .....	329	9.5	224	7.1	179	6.1	130	5.2	128	5.9
All other argument.....	1,203	34.8	1,150	36.3	1,028	35.0	940	37.3	800	37.1
Gang-, drug-related.....	1,113	32.2	1,137	35.8	1,059	36.1	784	31.1	704	32.7
Gang-related.....	840	24.3	880	27.7	867	29.5	620	24.6	544	25.2
Drug-related.....	273	7.9	257	8.1	192	6.5	164	6.5	160	7.4
All other.....	292	8.5	252	7.9	284	9.7	347	13.8	283	13.1

Contributing circumstance (cont.)	1998		1999		2000		2001		2002		Percent change	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	1993-2002	2001-2002
Total including unknown.....	2,170		2,006		2,074		2,201		2,392			
Unknown.....	336		304		314		317		370			
Total known.....	1,834	100.0	1,702	100.0	1,760	100.0	1,884	100.0	2,022	100.0	-41.4	7.3
Rape, robbery, burglary.	206	11.2	157	9.2	206	11.7	149	7.9	179	8.9	-65.2	20.1
Rape.....	9	0.5	16	0.9	8	0.5	12	0.6	8	0.4	-	-
Robbery.....	183	10.0	127	7.5	186	10.6	133	7.1	163	8.1	-65.8	22.6
Burglary.....	14	0.8	14	0.8	12	0.7	4	0.2	8	0.4	-	-
Argument.....	857	46.7	710	41.7	726	41.3	793	42.1	779	38.5	-49.2	-1.8
Domestic violence <sup>1</sup> .....	120	6.5	128	7.5	147	8.4	176	9.3	181	9.0	-45.0	2.8
All other argument.....	737	40.2	582	34.2	579	32.9	617	32.7	598	29.6	-50.3	-3.1
Gang-, drug-related.....	512	27.9	487	28.6	581	33.0	726	38.5	816	40.4	-26.7	12.4
Gang-related.....	404	22.0	402	23.6	506	28.8	647	34.3	730	36.1	-13.1	12.8
Drug-related.....	108	5.9	85	5.0	75	4.3	79	4.2	86	4.3	-68.5	8.9
All other.....	259	14.1	348	20.4	247	14.0	216	11.5	248	12.3	-15.1	14.8

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of rounding.

Dash indicates that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

<sup>1</sup> Data reflect 1) homicides submitted to the CJSC from law enforcement agencies as domestic violence-related, and 2) homicides interpreted by the CJSC as domestic violence-related based on available information, including victim/offender relationship. Recent examination of homicide data indicate that ambiguity in the interpretation of what constitutes a domestic violence-related incident may have resulted in an undercount in this category. Further examination of these data by the CJSC will determine if an undercount has occurred and the extent to which it has occurred.