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Senate Bill 943 – House Bill 1050
Family and Law Enforcement Protection Act
UNFAVORABLE

As a deterrent to domestic violence, Senate Bill 943 and House Bill 1050 will fail both in the near term and in years to come because of a total failure to accept that violence is behavior and not technology. Violence is behavior most often borne of the offenders' life experience. Domestic abusers often grew up in a household where violence was used to establish and maintain dominance over others.

Firearms which are the focus of these bills are based on the sponsor's assumption that a violent abuser is somehow rendered harmless if the abuser's firearms are confiscated. It also presumes the person is incapable of acquiring another firearm, knife, sword, bow and arrow, or any other implement at hand. This approach is both myoptic and lacking in perspective because it fails to address the overwhelming majority of domestic violence incidents.

While murder is the most egregious outcome, it represents only .1% (202) of the overall 142,034 domestic violence incidents reported from 2019 through 2023. Non-aggravated domestic assaults accounted for 115,286 incidents, while 26,546 incidents involved aggravated assaults.

Of the aggravated assaults recorded during the period from 2019 through 2023, 8% percent (2,319) involved a firearm, 18.5% (4,911) involved a knife, 29.6% (7,861) involved "other" weapons. Most aggravated assaults at 43.2% (11,455) involve no weapon, which clearly demonstrates the limitations of these bills as a viable means to protect those are experiencing domestic violence.

By adding no fewer than 30 questions to the process, these bills may well be counterproductive. Victims seeking relief could be intimidated by the nature and extent of the questions and thus be discouraged from seeking help. The situation is exacerbated if the victim's level of education is insufficient to the task. Further, the victim may be fearful of naming friends and associates of the respondent who may then retaliate. This is especially true if the respondent is involved in some form of illicit activity involving these same friends and associates.

These bills are feel-good in nature, they provide no real protection and engender a false sense of security which only renders the victim more vulnerable.

It should be noted that this testimony does not address the numerous legal issues inherent in the bills.

We urge an unfavorable report on Senate Bill 943 and House Bill 1050.

Respectfully,

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NIBRS Reports – Homicide 2022-2024 (values & percentages)
NIBRS Reports – Crimes Against Persons 2022-2024 (values)
United States Census 2023 Maryland Population by Race and Hispanic Origin
Maryland Uniform Crime Report 2023 – Domestic Violence
Maryland Uniform Crime Reports 2019-2023 – Murder

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 2019-2023
Data Source: MSP Uniform Crime Report - 2023

Domestic Related Crime							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
Homicide	34	43	53	36	36	202	0.1%
Assault	30,157	28,070	27,939	27,337	28,329	141,832	99.9%
COLUMN TOTALS	30,191	28,113	27,992	27,373	28,365	142,034	

Aggravated Assault							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
Firearm	367	417	455	513	567	2,319	8.7%
Knife	1,201	909	921	889	991	4,911	18.5%
Other Weapon	2,152	1,552	1,356	1,280	1,521	7,861	29.6%
No Weapon	1,780	2,168	2,361	2,530	2,616	11,455	43.2%
COLUMN TOTALS	5,500	5,046	5,093	5,212	5,695	26,546	

Non-aggravated Assault							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
Simple	24,646	23,004	22,832	22,112	22,613	115,207	99.9%
Stalking	11	20	14	13	21	79	0.1%
COLUMN TOTALS	24,657	23,024	22,846	22,125	22,634	115,286	

Relationship: Victim to Abuser							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
Husband	1,734	1,553	1,529	1,579	1,669	8,064	5%
Wife	4,050	3,725	3,687	3,567	3,623	18,652	11%
Male Cohabitant	2,423	2,137	2,318	2,016	1,831	10,725	6%
Female Cohabitant	5,995	5,656	6,084	5,215	4,763	27,713	16%
Homosexual Cohabitant	614	454	487	549	552	2,656	2%
Sibling	2,018	1,900	1,834	1,660	1,726	9,138	5%
Niece, Nephew, Aunt, Uncle etc.	1,043	993	976	921	978	4,911	3%
Grandparent or Grandchild	471	431	409	414	465	2,190	1%
Child or stepchild	3,042	2,604	2,694	2,599	2,862	13,801	8%
Parent or Stepparent	3,426	3,079	3,101	2,950	3,083	15,639	9%
Vulnerable Adult	154	147	241	180	170	892	1%
Individuals with Child in Common	2,820	3,061	3,060	2,813	3,109	14,863	9%
Male Intimate Partner	1,957	1,983	1,745	1,983	2,293	9,961	6%
Female Intimate Partner	6,232	6,266	5,635	6,194	6,438	30,765	18%
Homosexual Intimate Partner	524	443	391	392	455	2,205	1%
COLUMN TOTALS	36,503	34,432	34,191	33,032	34,017	172,175	

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 2019-2023
Data Source: MSP Uniform Crime Report - 2023

Victim's Sex							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
Female	25,169	23,942	23,881	22,913	23,350	119,255	69%
Male	11,330	10,485	10,294	10,116	10,663	52,888	31%
Unknown	4	5	16	3	4	32	0.02%
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Victim's Race							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTALS	PERCENT
American Indian	41	60	51	53	61	266	0.2%
Asian	439	456	508	461	495	2,359	1.4%
Black	19,520	18,286	18,387	18,193	18,418	92,804	53.9%
Pacific Islander	46	45	44	44	48	227	0.1%
White	16,248	15,194	14,871	13,930	14,536	74,779	43.4%
Other	209	391	330	351	459	1,740	1.0%
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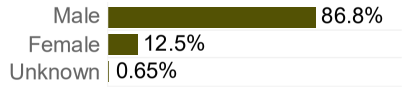

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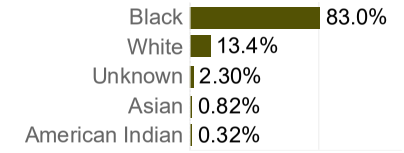

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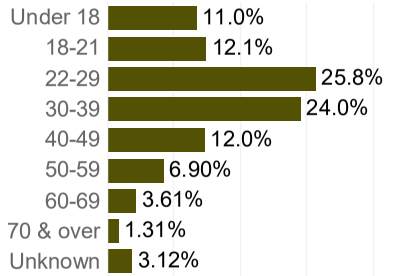

Offender

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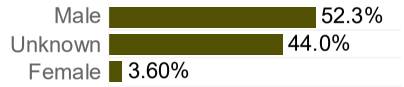

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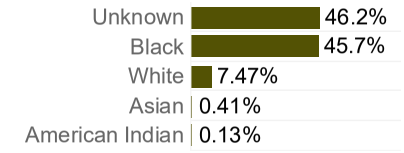

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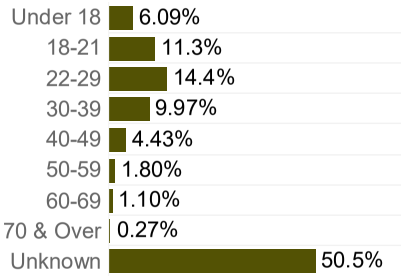

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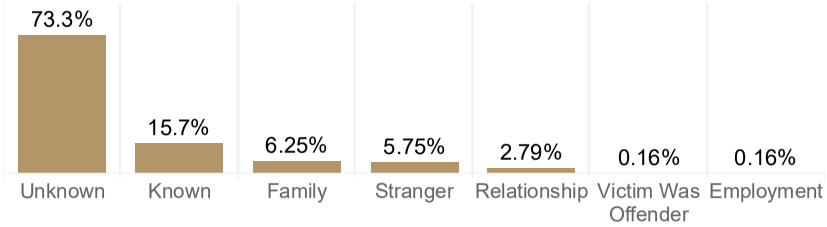

Cases Per Year

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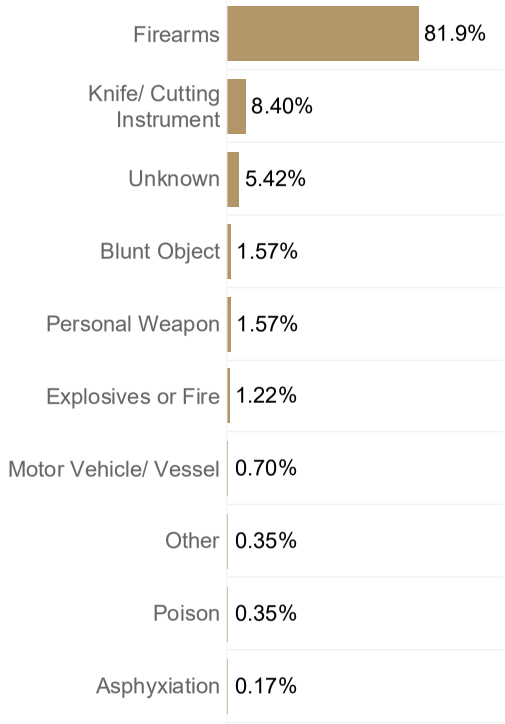
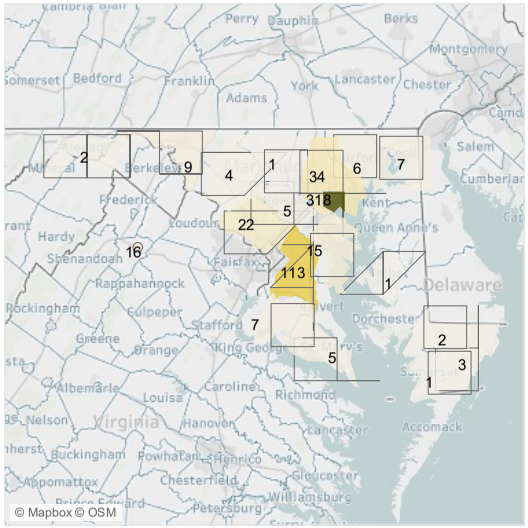


Arrests for Crimes Against Person

Homicide	1.39%
Assault	94.6%
Human Trafficking	0.03%
Kidnaping/Abduction	0.17%
Sex Offenses	3.71%

Offenses by County



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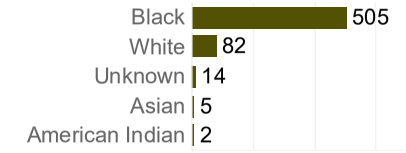
Victim

Sex

Race



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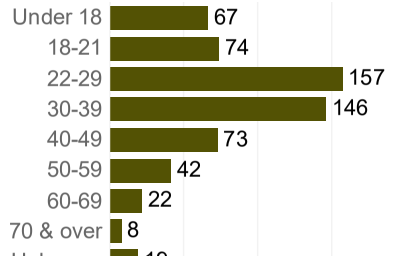

Offender

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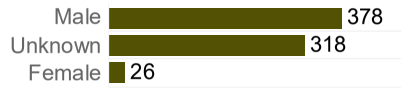

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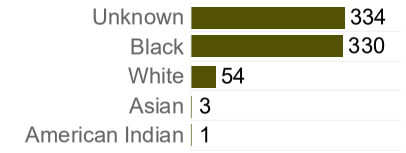

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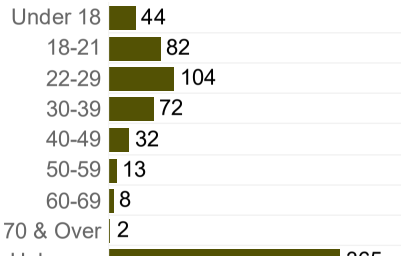

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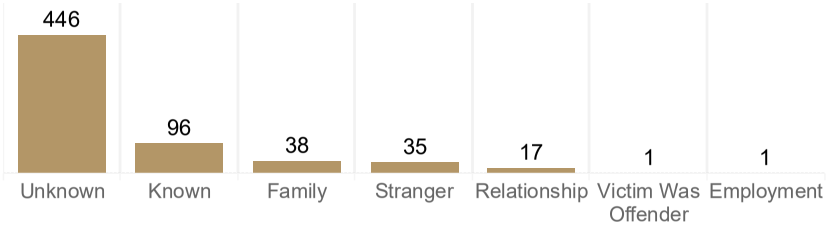

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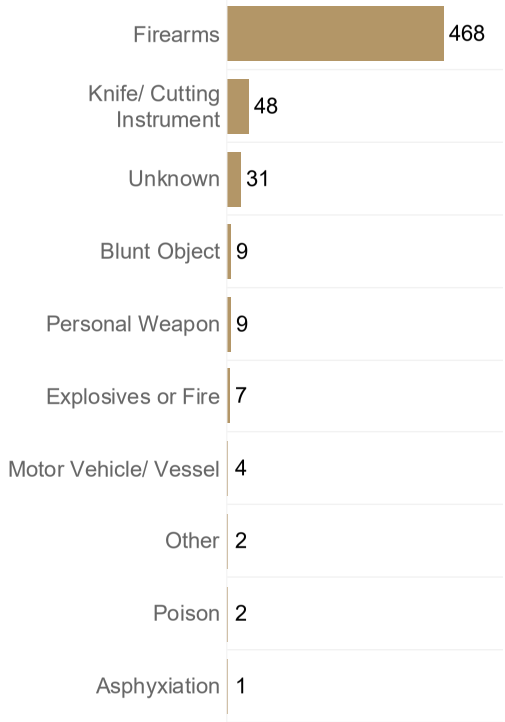
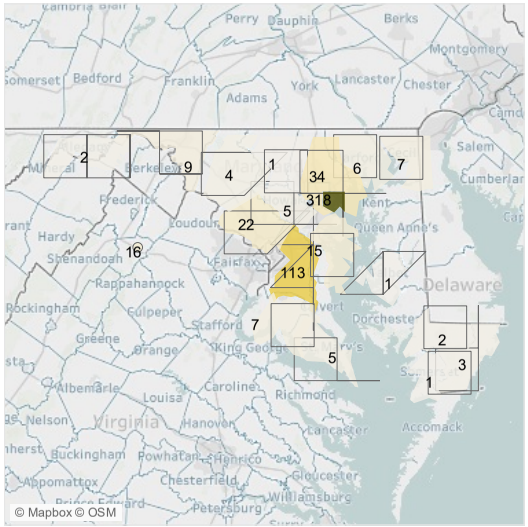


Arrests for Crimes Against Person

Homicide	227
Assault	15405
Human Trafficking	6
Kidnaping/Abduction	28
Sex Offenses	605

Offenses by County



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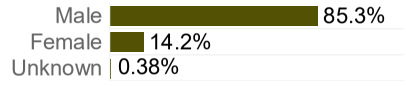

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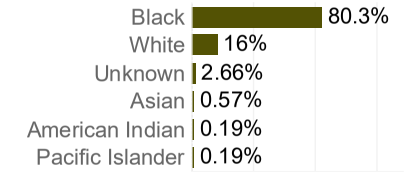

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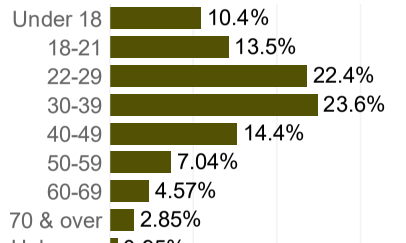

Offender

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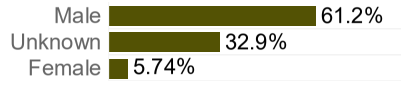

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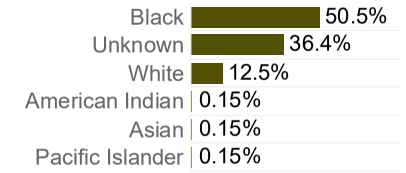

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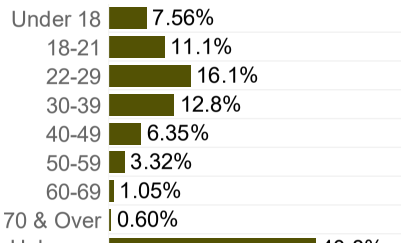

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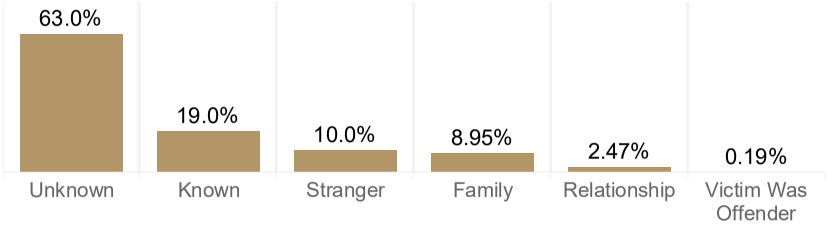

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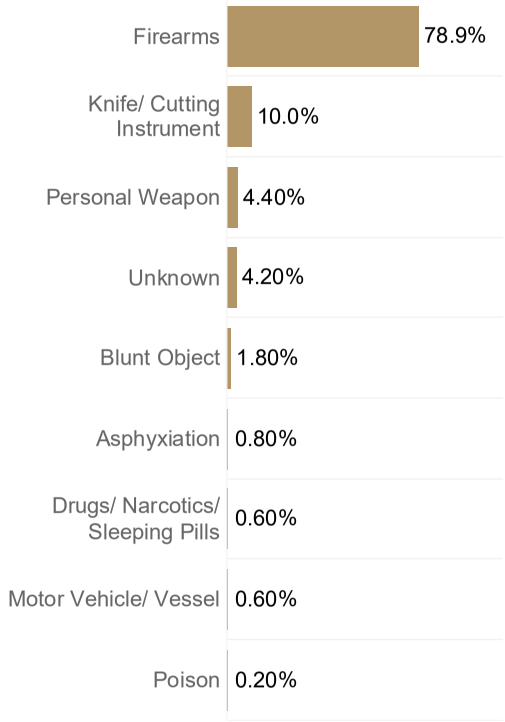

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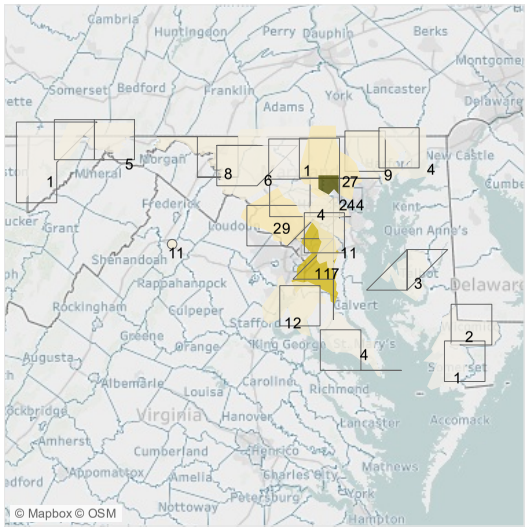

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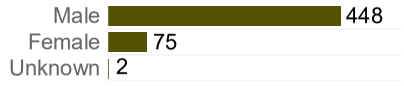

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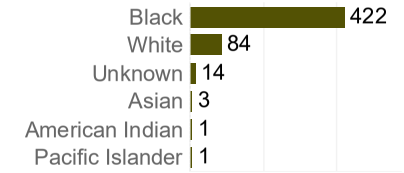

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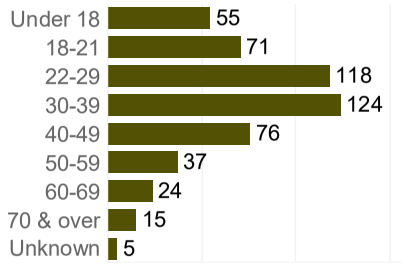

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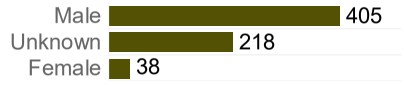

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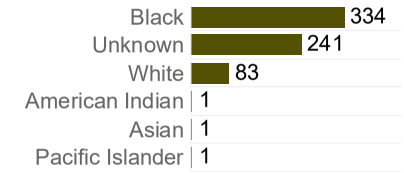

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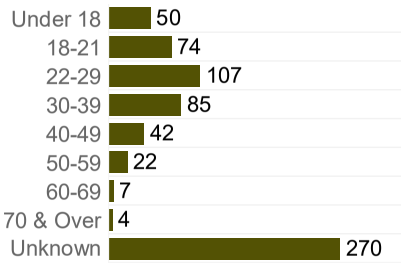

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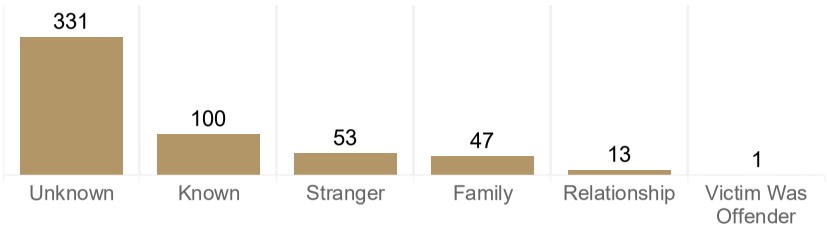

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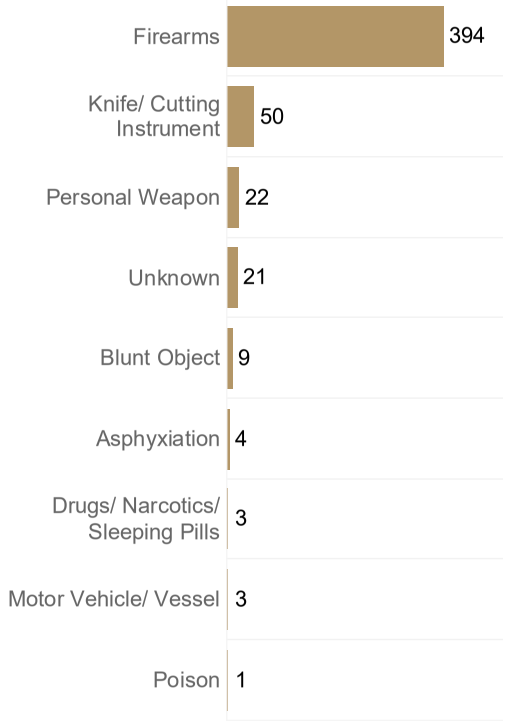
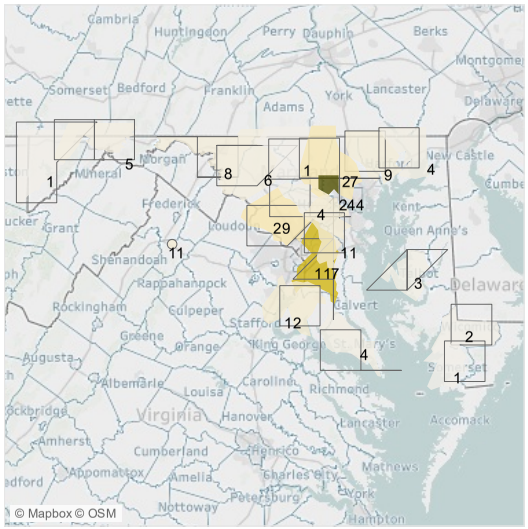


Arrests for Crimes Against Person

Homicide	313
Assault	18341
Human Trafficking	22
Kidnaping/Abduction	48
Sex Offenses	687

Offenses by County



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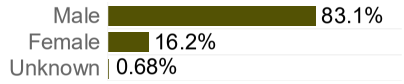

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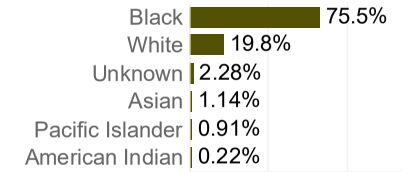

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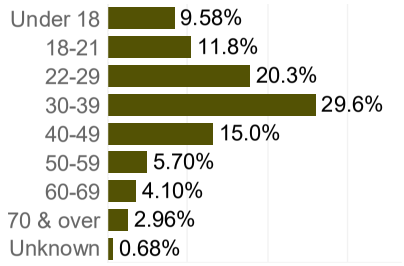

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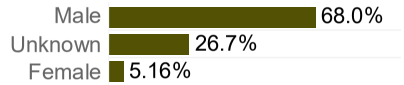

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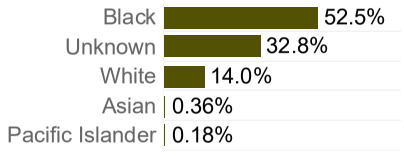

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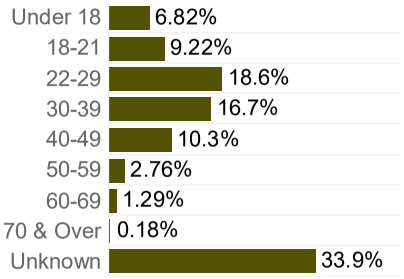

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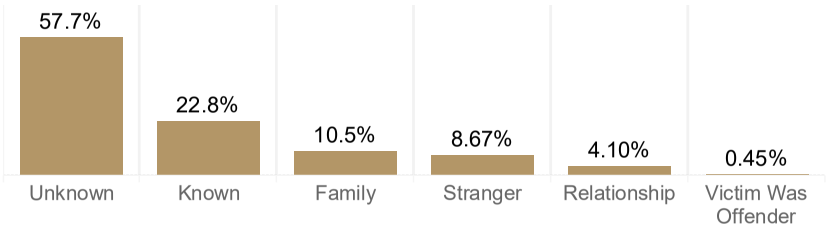

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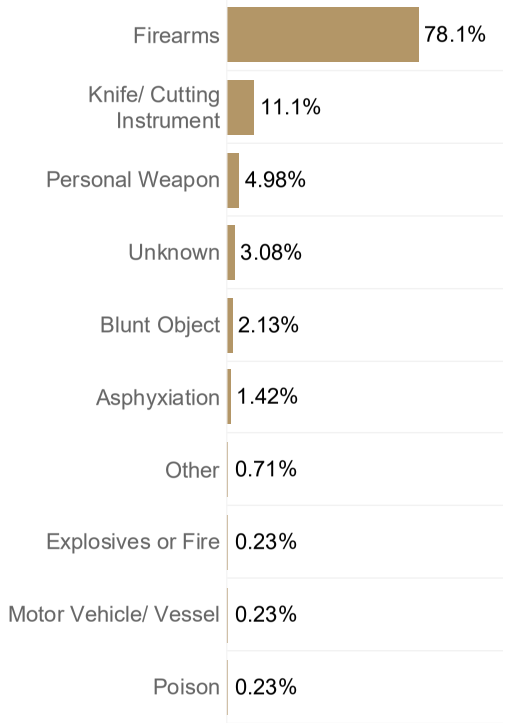

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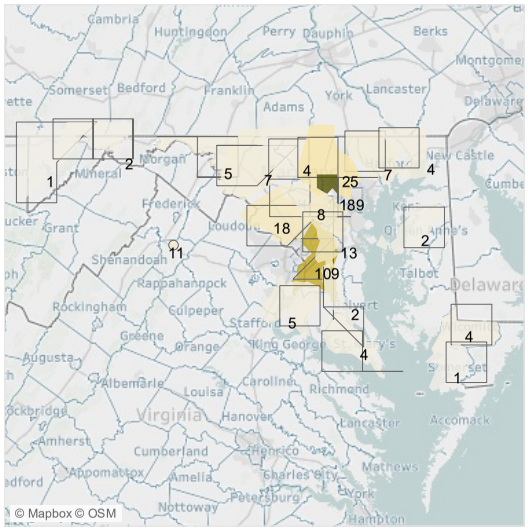
Offenses by County



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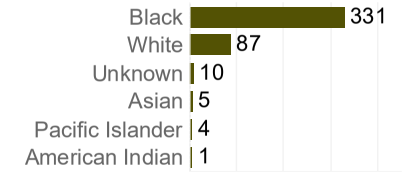

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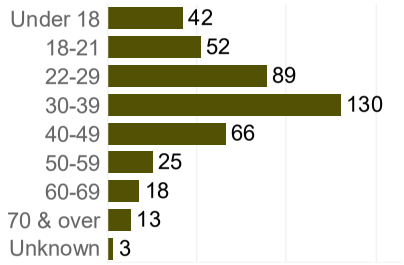

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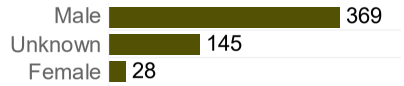

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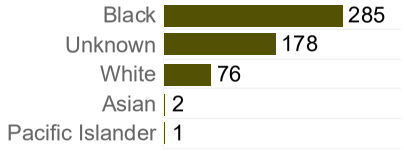

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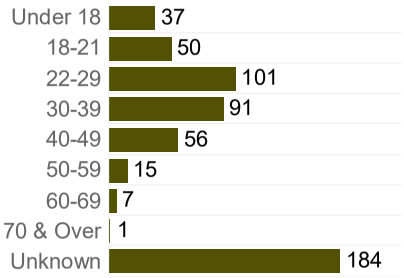

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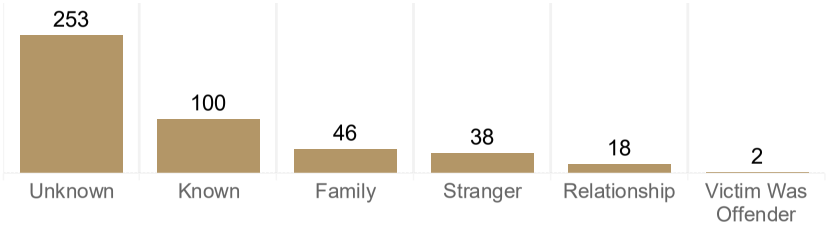

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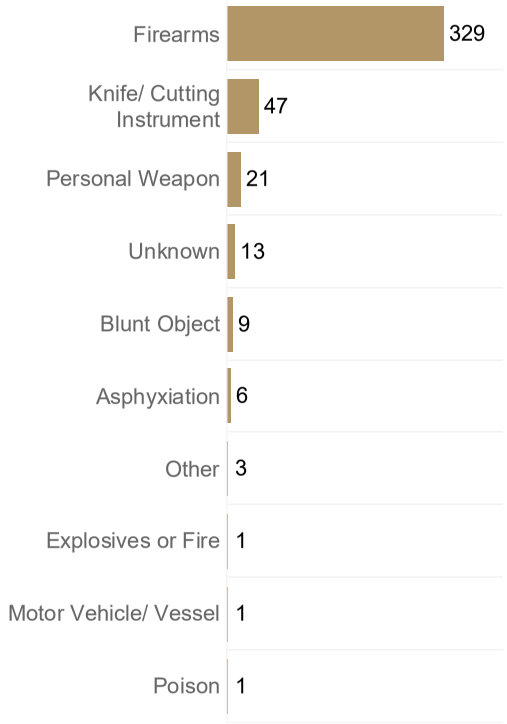

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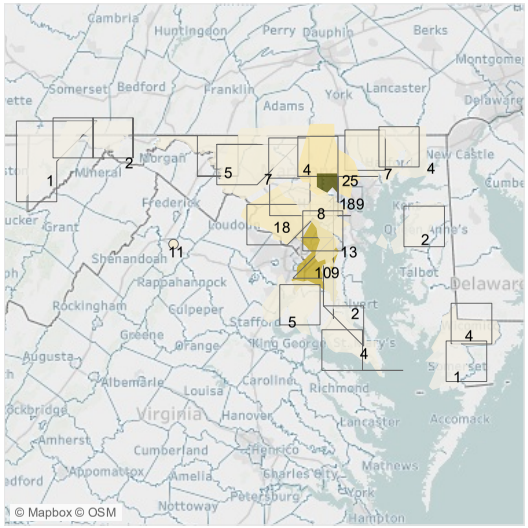

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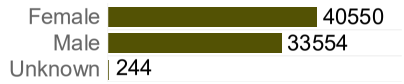

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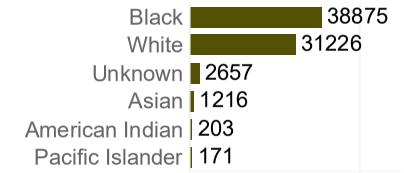

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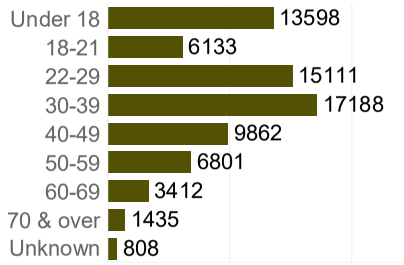

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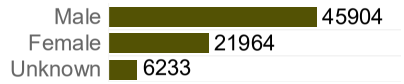

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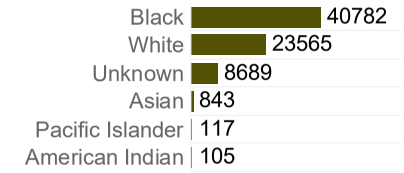

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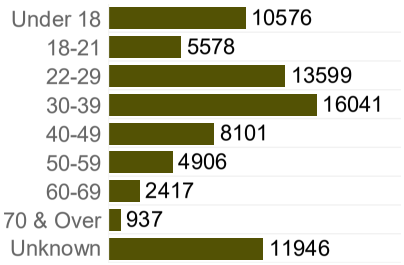

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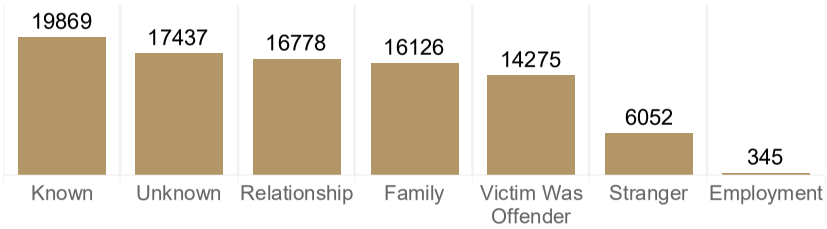

Cases Per Year

	Incidents	Offenses	Cleared	% Cleared	Victims	Offenders
Grand Total	59,518	60,463	15,802	26.6%	74,543	74,373
Homicide	623	623	212	34.0%	663	785
Assault	54,727	55,548	14,857	27.1%	69,356	68,980
Human Trafficking	73	73	32	43.8%	82	127
Kidnaping/ Abduction	152	152	66	43.4%	162	207
Sex Offenses	3,943	4,067	724	18.4%	4,280	4,274

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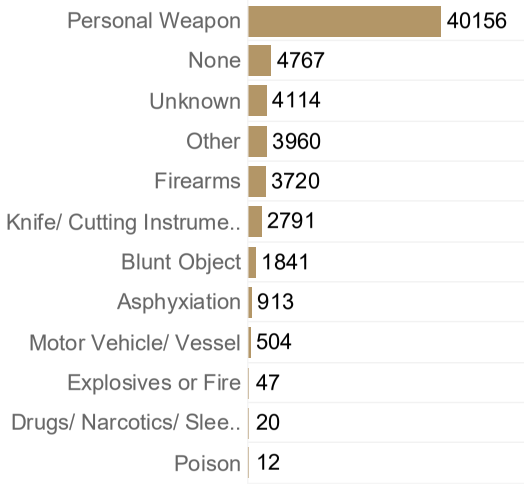

Arrests for Crimes Against Person

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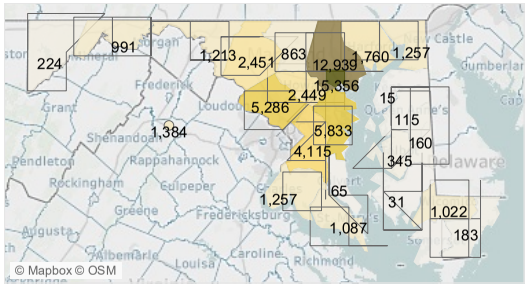
Assault	15405
Human Trafficking	6
Kidnaping/Abduction	28
Sex Offenses	605

Offenses by County



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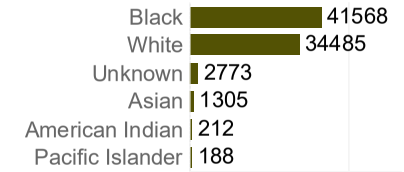

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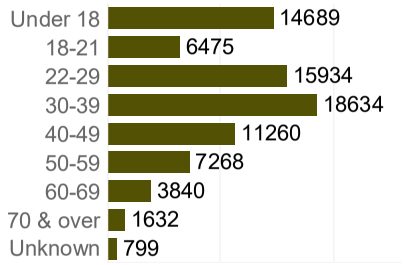

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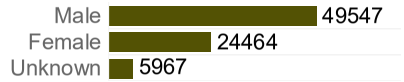

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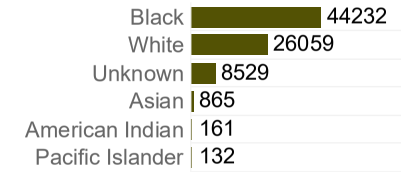

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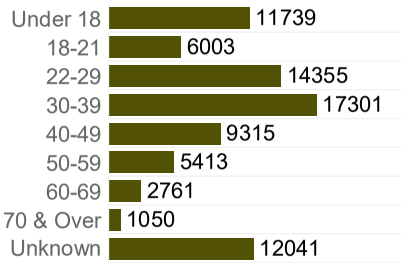

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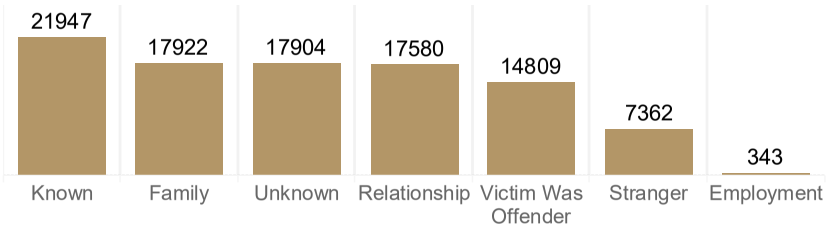

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Grand Total	64,096	65,134	18,512	29.0%	80,734	80,266
Homicide	555	555	242	43.6%	591	728
Assault	59,457	60,376	17,530	29.5%	75,713	75,030
Human Trafficking	73	74	35	47.9%	94	151
Kidnaping/ Abduction	195	195	81	41.5%	223	264
Sex Offenses	3,816	3,934	731	19.2%	4,113	4,093

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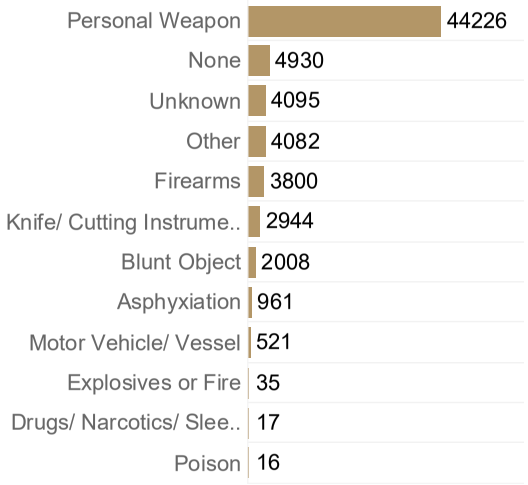

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Human Trafficking	22
Kidnaping/Abduction	48
Sex Offenses	687

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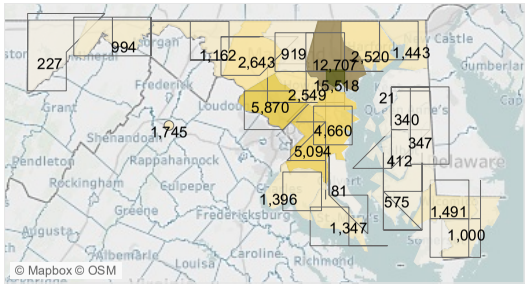

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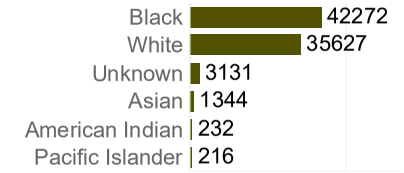

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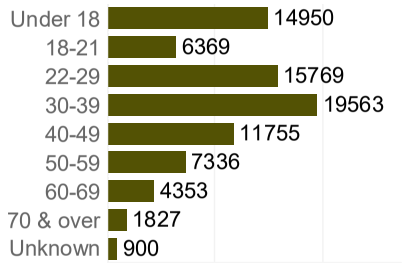

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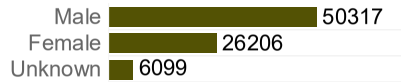

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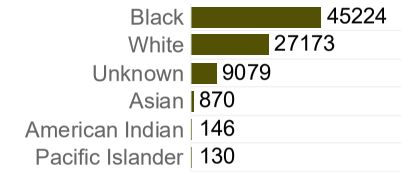

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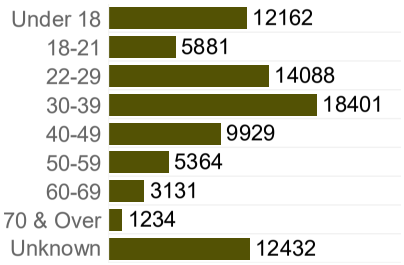

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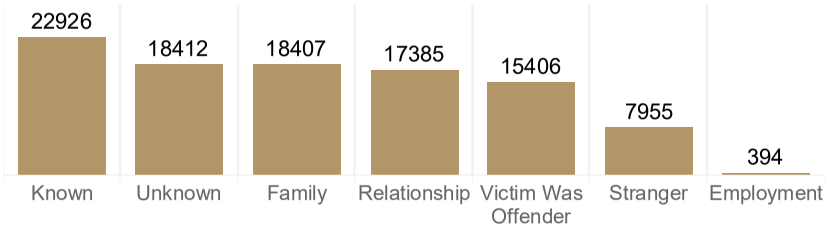

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Assault	61,934	62,801	18,861	30.5%	78,272	77,980
Human Trafficking	65	65	29	44.6%	71	97
Kidnaping/ Abduction	149	149	60	40.3%	168	213
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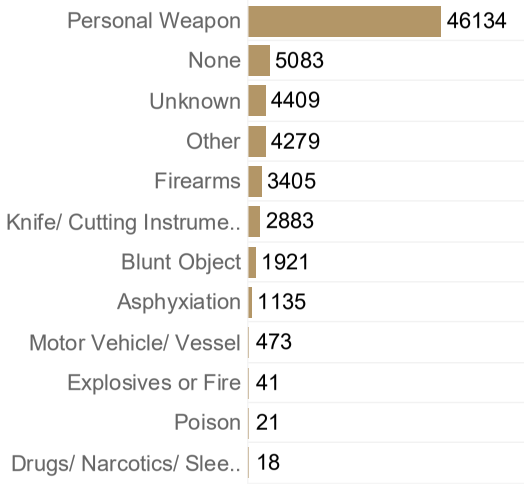

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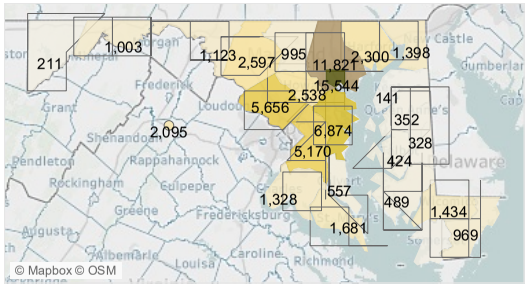

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Source: https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/MD/PST045223

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Hispanic or Latino, percent (b) (b)	12.6%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent	47.3%

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The vintage year (e.g., V2024) refers to the final year of the series (2020 thru 2024). Different vintage years of estimates are not comparable.

Users should exercise caution when comparing 2019-2023 ACS 5-year estimates to other ACS estimates. For more information, please visit the 2023 5-year ACS Comparison Guidance page.

Fact Notes

- **(a)** Includes persons reporting only one race
- **(b)** Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories
- **(c)** Economic Census - Puerto Rico data are not comparable to U.S. Economic Census data

Value Flags

- **D** Suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information
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QuickFacts data are derived from: Population Estimates, American Community Survey, Census of Population and Housing, Current Population Survey, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates, Small Area Income and Poverty Est Housing Unit Estimates, County Business Patterns, Nonemployer Statistics, Economic Census, Survey of Business Owners, Building Permits.

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DOMESTICALLY RELATED CRIMES

BACKGROUND

The Domestic Violence Act of 1994 mandated that all law enforcement agencies in Maryland submit copies of incident reports involving domestic violence to the Maryland Department of State Police. The Maryland UCR Program created a revised domestic violence (formerly known as Battered Spouse) data collection form. The new form allowed for the collection of more data based upon a revised definition of a domestic violence incident under the Maryland UCR Program guidelines.

In 2012, HB1146/SB647 "Domestically Related Crimes" was signed into law to help improve the recording and tracking of domestic violence crimes. Maryland does not have a distinct crime of domestic violence, therefore, the new law helps law enforcement, advocates, prosecutors and judges better protect domestic violence victims and set more appropriate conditions for abusers.

To better align with Maryland Law, the Maryland UCR Program expanded the definition of domestic violence to include ten additional relationships in calendar year 2013. Prior to 2013, the only reported relationships between domestic violence victims and offenders were husband, wife and cohabitant. This expansion of the additional relationships explains the increase in the total number of domestically related crimes reported. The title of the reporting program was also changed to the Maryland Domestically Related Crime Reporting Program.

Under the Maryland UCR Program, the definition for a domestically related crime mirrors HB1146/SB647: "any crime committed by a suspect (respondent) against a victim who is a person eligible for relief, as defined in §4-501 of the Family Law Article or who had a sexual relationship with the suspect within 12 months before the commission of the crime. This also includes homosexual relationships."

A "person eligible for relief", as defined in §4-501 of the Family Law Article includes:

- The current or former spouse of the respondent;
- A cohabitant of the respondent;
- A person related to the respondent by blood, marriage, or adoption;
- A parent, stepparent, child, or stepchild of the respondent or the person eligible for relief who resides or resided with the respondent or person eligible for relief for at least 90 days within 1 year before the filing of the petition;
- A vulnerable adult;
- An individual who has a child in common with the respondent.
- An individual who has had a sexual relationship with the respondent within 1 year before the filing of the petition; and
- An individual who alleges that the respondent committed, within 6 months before the filing of the petition, any of the following acts against the individual:

(i) rape or a sexual offense under § 3-303, § 3-304, § 3-307, or § 3-308 of the Criminal Law Article; or

(ii) attempted rape or sexual offense in any degree.

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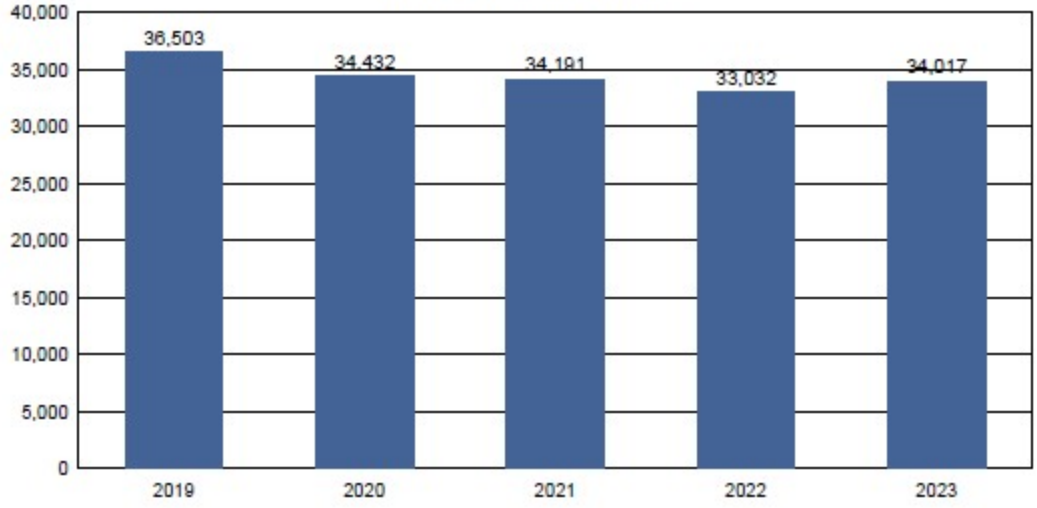
There were a total of 34,017 domestic violence crimes reported statewide in 2023, as compared to 33,032 crimes in 2022. This represents a 3.0 percent change in the number of domestic violence crimes.

DOMESTICALLY RELATED CRIMES

Total Number of Incidents



RELATIONSHIPS

Domestic violence reporting includes the nature of the victim's relationship with his or her abuser. The breakdown is as follows:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Husband	1,734	1,553	1,529	1,579	1,669
Wife	4,050	3,725	3,687	3,567	3,623
Male Cohabitant	2,423	2,137	2,318	2,016	1,831
Female Cohabitant	5,995	5,656	6,084	5,215	4,763
Homosexual Cohabitant	614	454	487	549	552
Sibling	2,018	1,900	1,834	1,660	1,726
Niece, Nephew, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin, In-Law	1,043	993	976	921	978
Grandparent or Grandchild	471	431	409	414	465
Child or Stepchild	3,042	2,604	2,694	2,599	2,862
Parent or Stepparent	3,426	3,079	3,101	2,950	3,083
Vulnerable Adult	154	147	241	180	170
Individuals With Child in Common	2,820	3,061	3,060	2,813	3,109
Male Intimate Partner	1,957	1,983	1,745	1,983	2,293
Female Intimate Partner	6,232	6,266	5,635	6,194	6,438
Homosexual Intimate Partner	524	443	391	392	455
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

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CRIME	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Homicide	34	43	53	36	36
Rape	461	355	426	381	379
Robbery	447	280	381	321	310
Assault	30,157	28,070	27,939	27,337	28,329
Breaking or Entering	298	315	354	336	333
Larceny-Theft	956	894	619	705	632
Motor Vehicle Theft	224	206	132	101	95
Arson	27	22	33	22	30
Forgery	24	22	18	18	21
Fraud	126	105	99	148	140
Embezzlement	0	0	1	1	2
Receiving Stolen Property	0	0	0	0	2
Malicious Destruction of Property	589	992	850	971	970
Illegal Weapons	0	2	3	1	4
Sex Offenses	146	200	224	233	229
Drug Abuse Violations	1	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	1,259	1,473	1,580	1,078	973
Disorderly Conduct	22	71	85	119	100
All Other Offenses	1,732	1,382	1,394	1,224	1,432
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

5 Year Homicide Average 40.4

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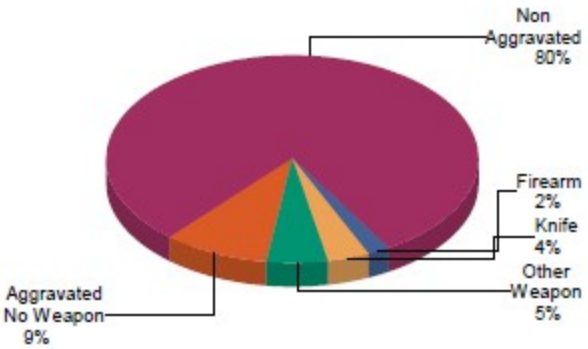
ASSAULTS

Assault is the most frequent type of domestically related crime reported. There were a total of 28,329 domestic assaults in 2023. This represents 83.3 percent of all domestically related crimes. There were 5,695 domestic assaults reported as an "aggravated domestically related assault," which means an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. Aggravated assaults represented 20.10 percent of the total reported domestically related assaults in 2023.

Domestically Related Assaults



	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
AGGRAVATED					
Firearm	367	417	455	513	567
Knife	1,201	909	921	889	991
Other Weapons	2,152	1,552	1,356	1,280	1,521
No Weapons	1,780	2,168	2,361	2,530	2,616
NON AGGRAVATED					
Simple	24,646	23,004	22,832	22,112	22,613
Stalking	11	20	14	13	21
TOTAL	**30,157**	**28,070**	**27,939**	**27,337**	**28,329**

MONTHLY OCCURRENCES

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
January	3,025	2,871	2,783	2,688	3,051
February	2,680	2,634	2,427	2,460	2,697
March	3,066	3,011	2,753	2,903	2,794
April	3,114	2,633	2,774	2,855	2,860
May	3,358	2,926	3,085	2,930	3,037
June	3,247	2,961	2,864	2,427	2,897
July	3,181	3,137	3,038	2,879	2,825
August	3,123	3,016	2,851	2,809	2,812
September	3,082	2,874	2,959	2,819	2,722
October	2,894	2,989	3,092	2,816	2,854
November	2,847	2,654	2,785	2,706	2,717
December	2,886	2,726	2,780	2,740	2,751
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

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DAY OF WEEK

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Sunday	6,168	5,774	5,816	5,603	6,005
Monday	5,142	4,622	4,802	4,504	4,780
Tuesday	5,074	4,614	4,398	4,346	4,481
Wednesday	4,720	4,651	4,348	4,313	4,458
Thursday	4,759	4,557	4,588	4,351	4,392
Friday	4,878	4,751	4,779	4,478	4,574
Saturday	5,762	5,463	5,460	5,437	5,327
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

HOUR OF DAY

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
12:00 A.M.	2,928	1,818	1,924	1,688	1,930
1:00 A.M.	1,350	1,356	1,373	1,411	1,475
2:00 A.M.	1,132	1,121	1,132	1,100	1,152
3:00 A.M.	827	893	826	972	1,008
4:00 A.M.	632	649	630	698	809
5:00 A.M.	509	495	551	555	674
6:00 A.M.	577	545	568	565	641
7:00 A.M.	813	674	800	825	901
8:00 A.M.	1,051	995	1,039	1,087	1,150
9:00 A.M.	1,252	1,220	1,273	1,222	1,166
10:00 A.M.	1,423	1,459	1,357	1,355	1,298
11:00 A.M.	1,553	1,574	1,504	1,421	1,369
12:00 Noon	1,631	1,637	1,590	1,556	1,490
1:00 P.M.	1,568	1,553	1,502	1,229	1,326
2:00 P.M.	1,488	1,452	1,402	1,304	1,302
3:00 P.M.	1,644	1,657	1,621	1,575	1,428
4:00 P.M.	1,805	1,768	1,728	1,576	1,620
5:00 P.M.	1,886	1,821	1,734	1,739	1,684
6:00 P.M.	2,021	1,927	1,852	1,762	1,872
7:00 P.M.	2,002	1,967	1,953	1,820	1,873
8:00 P.M.	2,166	2,059	2,042	1,958	2,032
9:00 P.M.	2,236	2,020	2,056	1,982	2,011
10:00 P.M.	2,053	1,899	1,870	1,855	1,951
11:00 P.M.	1,956	1,873	1,864	1,777	1,855
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

Analysis

In 2023, the greatest number of domestically related crimes reported occurred around 8:00 P.M. The highest number of domestically related crimes reported occurred on Sunday.

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VICTIMS

AGE

Victims of domestically related crimes between 25 to 39 years of age accounted for 43.4 percent of the total victims.

SEX

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Female	25,169	23,942	23,881	22,913	23,350
Male	11,330	10,485	10,294	10,116	10,663
Unknown	4	5	16	3	4
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

RACE

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
American Indian	41	60	51	53	61
Asian	439	456	508	461	495
Black	19,520	18,286	18,387	18,193	18,418
Pacific Islander	46	45	44	44	48
White	16,248	15,194	14,871	13,930	14,536
Other	209	391	330	351	459
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

HOUSEHOLD STATUS

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Living Together	21,611	20,376	20,494	20,414	21,139
Not Living Together	11,058	10,560	10,360	9,503	9,788
Unknown	3,834	3,496	3,337	3,115	3,090
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

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ALCOHOL AND DRUG INVOLVEMENT

In domestically related crimes, reporting the use of alcohol, drugs or both by either the offender or victim are captured.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Alcohol	6,396	6,126	5,548	5,369	5,330
Drugs	709	778	840	674	694
Alcohol & Drugs	300	323	306	304	314
None	15,119	13,613	14,115	14,153	15,186
Unknown	13,979	13,592	13,382	12,532	12,493
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

CIRCUMSTANCES

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Alcohol	1,262	1,313	1,268	1,360	1,360
Drugs	579	584	615	468	522
Food or Cooking	424	345	291	332	328
Friends	165	167	129	72	109
Gambling	13	6	10	12	18
Household Chores	581	600	625	645	720
Infidelity	3,437	3,038	3,002	3,113	3,281
Job or Lack of Job	177	143	123	167	148
Mental Imbalance	623	750	920	951	951
Money	1,713	1,506	1,234	1,250	1,253
Offspring	1,597	1,548	1,533	1,607	1,833
Property	2,805	2,604	2,302	1,958	1,620
Relatives	448	408	430	638	606
Sex	731	681	750	693	700
Sports or Hobby	32	32	12	16	38
Television	104	92	63	52	90
Separation	1,084	1,011	1,015	988	1,182
Divorce	202	186	164	175	223
Reconciliation	111	116	138	110	106
Staying Out Late	304	231	233	231	226
Other	14,131	13,691	15,238	13,762	13,552
Unknown	5,980	5,380	4,096	4,432	5,151
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

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CLEARANCES

There are two ways of clearing a case. One is by making an arrest and charging the person(s) with the offense. The other is known as an exceptional clearance. Exceptional clearance means the police know the identity and location of the person(s) who committed the offense and have enough information to arrest them. However, there is some reason beyond their control that prevents them from making the arrest.

The arrest and exceptional clearances reported reflect the disposition at the time the domestically related crime report form was forwarded to the UCR Program. These reports are not updated; therefore, other arrests and exceptional clearances may occur, but would not be reflected in the following totals.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Arrest	11,775	9,950	9,491	9,144	9,774
Exception	9,418	8,944	9,656	7,362	5,002
Unknown	15,310	15,538	15,044	16,526	19,241
TOTAL	**36,503**	**34,432**	**34,191**	**33,032**	**34,017**

During 2023, 43.4 percent of all domestically related cases were cleared. A breakdown of the clearances in 2023 includes 28.7 percent by arrest, 14.7 percent by exceptional clearance and 56.6 percent unknown.

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DOMESTICALLY RELATED CRIMES BY COUNTY

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	5 Year Average (Rounded)
Allegany County	344	320	331	397	411	360
Anne Arundel County	3,389	3,225	3,640	3,881	3,917	3,610
Baltimore County	7,847	8,048	8,989	8,913	10,454	8,850
Baltimore City	6,435	6,501	6,729	6,523	6,335	6,504
Calvert County	311	344	415	395	411	375
Caroline County	62	46	63	94	109	74
Carroll County	477	507	558	625	580	549
Cecil County	700	549	522	582	531	576
Charles County	1,128	975	955	1,003	1,135	1,039
Dorchester County	113	129	152	152	165	142
Frederick County	1,724	1,564	1,498	1,393	1,305	1,496
Garrett County	131	93	91	86	81	96
Harford County	1,263	1,141	1,109	1,199	1,228	1,188
Howard County	1,664	1,693	1,670	1,800	1,854	1,736
Kent County	40	28	31	41	36	35
Montgomery County	3,659	3,393	3,434	2,952	2,963	3,280
Prince George's County	1,982	1,840	1,272	1,802	2,340	1,847
Queen Anne's County	256	246	191	194	148	207
St. Mary's County	1,315	1,139	1,210	1,129	1,081	1,174
Somerset County	159	131	107	114	159	134
Talbot County	87	49	55	56	102	69
Washington County	162	194	170	151	164	168
Wicomico County	636	633	646	613	704	646
Worcester County	120	225	340	328	280	258
Statewide Agencies*	13	19	13	9	10	12
State Total	**34,017**	**33,032**	**34,191**	**34,432**	**36,503**	**34,435**

* Statewide agencies report offenses but do not identify county of occurrence.

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CRIME BREAKDOWN
DOMESTICALLY RELATED CRIMES BY VICTIM SEX

		Male	Female	Unk
Grand Total		10,663	23,350	4
All Other Offenses		387	1,044	1
Arson		11	19	0
Assault		9,250	19,076	3
	Aggravated - Firearm	91	476	0
	Aggravated - Knife	495	496	0
	Aggravated - Other Dangerous	702	819	0
	Aggravated - Personal Weap..	334	2,282	0
	Simple	7,626	14,984	3
	Stalking	2	19	0
Breaking or Entering		58	275	0
	Attempt	3	29	0
	Forcible	32	172	0
	Non Forcible	23	74	0
Disorderly Conduct		37	63	0
Embezzlement		0	2	0
Forgery		10	11	0
Fraud, Bad Checks False Pretense		43	97	0
Homicide		19	17	0
Illegal Weapons		0	4	0

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CRIME BREAKDOWN
DOMESTICALLY RELATED CRIMES BY VICTIM SEX

		Male	Female	Unk
Larceny-Theft		182	450	0
Motor Vehicle Theft		23	72	0
	Automobiles	23	72	0
Offenses Against Family, Desertion, Non-Support, Neglect		251	722	0
Rape		32	347	0
	Attempted	0	10	0
	Forcible	32	337	0
Receiving Stolen Property		1	1	0
Robbery		28	282	0
	Firearm	2	13	0
	Knife	4	15	0
	Other Dangerous Weapon	1	8	0
	Personal Weapon	21	246	0
Sex Offense (Except Rape)		27	202	0
Vandalism, Malicious Destruction of Property		304	666	0

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MURDER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter is the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

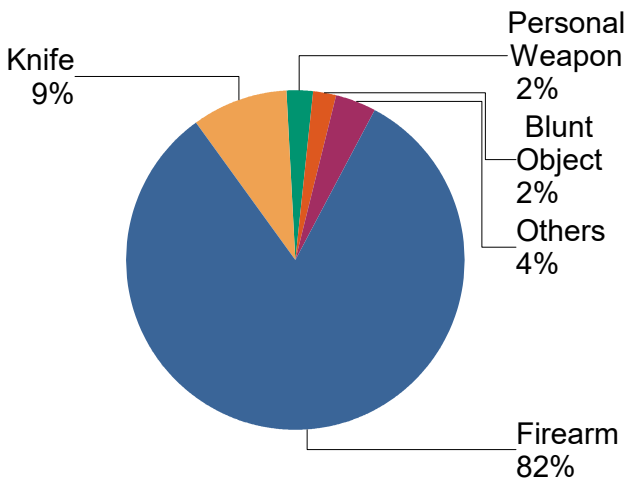
VOLUME AND RATE

During 2019, a total of 543 murders were reported. This represents a 11.0 percent change from 2018. Murder accounted for 2.0 percent of all violent crime and 0.4 percent of the crime index. In 2019, there were 9.0 murders per 100,000 of population.

ANALYSIS OF MURDER

In 2019, 243 murders were cleared with 3.3 percent of these clearances involving only juvenile offenders. A total of 236 persons were arrested for murder during 2019. A breakdown of persons arrested for murder is: 91.9 percent male; 8.1 percent female; 5.9 percent juvenile; 72.9 percent Black; 26.7 percent White and 0.4 percent consisting of American Indian, Asian and Pacific Islander.

During 2019, 251 of the murder victims were in the 18 to 29 age group, representing 46.2 percent of the total. There were 29 juvenile victims of murder, accounting for 5.3 percent of the total murder victims. Firearms were used in 82.2 percent of the reported murders in 2019. This represents a 13.7 percent change in their use when compared to the use of firearms in 2018. Knives accounted for 9.1 percent of the reported murders in 2019, an 18.8 percent change of the reported knife related murders in 2018.



Drug related murders accounted for 1.7 percent of the total in 2019. In 2018, drug related murders accounted for 2.7 percent of the total.

Family members, as offenders, accounted for 4.8 percent of the total murders in 2019, compared to 7.6 percent in 2018. Of the family members as offenders, husband and wife or boyfriend and girlfriend (those who had lived together) reflect 0.6 percent of the total murders reported.

Additionally, an acquaintance is listed in 13.0 percent of the murders reported in 2019. Strangers and unknown relationships accounted for 5.4 percent and 70.7 percent respectively.

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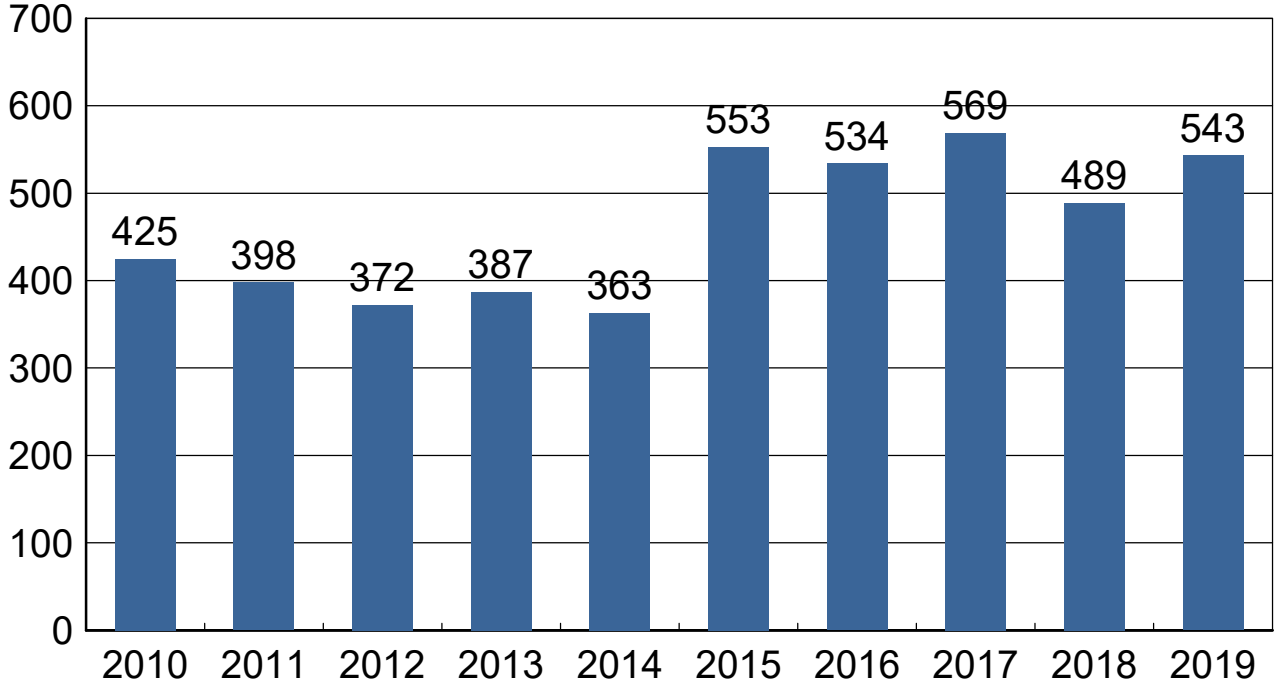
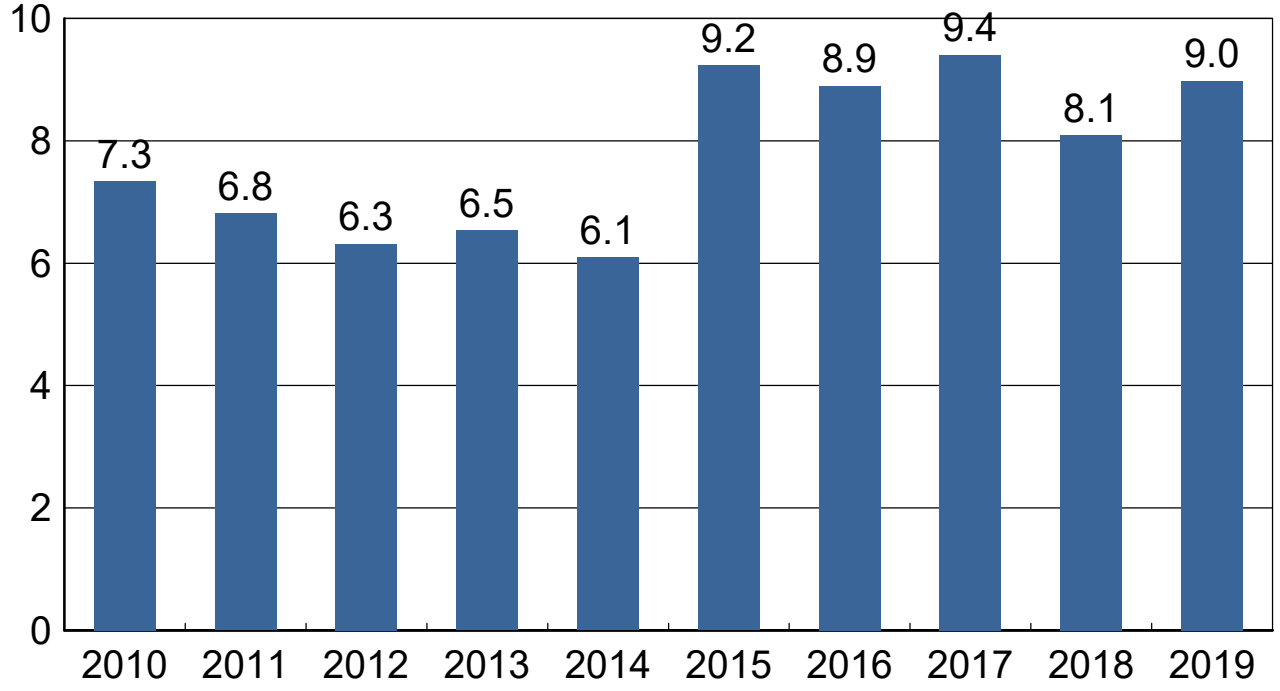
MURDER

Total Number of Murders



MURDER

Rate per 100,000 Population



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Murder by County

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	5 Year Average (rounded)
Allegany County	0	2	4	5	3	3
Anne Arundel County	20	25	21	25	17	22
Baltimore City	348	309	342	318	344	332
Baltimore County	50	28	35	35	32	36
Calvert County	0	1	2	1	2	1
Caroline County	1	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll County	1	1	0	2	0	1
Cecil County	2	2	3	3	9	4
Charles County	5	11	8	6	3	7
Dorchester County	2	1	0	4	1	2
Frederick County	3	3	5	2	7	4
Garrett County	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harford County	7	9	10	9	7	8
Howard County	8	1	5	6	2	4
Kent County	0	0	1	0	0	0
Montgomery County	14	20	26	15	29	21
Prince George's County	75	61	81	88	78	77
Queen Anne's County	0	1	1	0	0	0
St. Mary's County	1	1	4	2	2	2
Somerset County	1	1	1	2	0	1
Talbot County	1	1	0	0	0	0
Washington County	3	8	9	3	9	6
Wicomico County	1	3	9	5	7	5
Worcester County	0	0	2	3	1	1
Statewide Agencies*	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Total	**543**	**489**	**569**	**534**	**553**	**538**

* Statewide agencies report offenses but do not identify county of occurrence.

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT

Population	
2018	6,042,718
2019	6,045,680

		RATE	COUNT	% CHANGE
ACTUAL	2018	8.09	489	
	2019	8.98	543	11.04%
JUSTIFIABLE	2018	0.38	23	
	2019	0.36	22	-4.35%

VICTIMS BY RACE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
White	2018	1.24	75	15.34%	
	2019	1.46	88	16.21%	17.33%
Black	2018	6.65	402	82.21%	
	2019	7.46	451	83.06%	12.19%
Asian	2018	0.08	5	1.02%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.55%	-40.00%
American Indian	2018	0.02	1	0.20%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
Pacific Islander	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
Unknown Race	2018	0.10	6	1.23%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.18%	-83.33%

OFFENDERS BY RACE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
0.96	58	10.53%	
1.17	71	11.36%	22.41%
4.40	266	48.28%	
4.43	268	42.88%	0.75%
0.03	2	0.36%	
0.02	1	0.16%	-50.00%
0.02	1	0.18%	
0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
0.00	0	0.00%	
0.00	0	0.00%	
3.71	224	40.65%	
4.71	285	45.60%	27.23%

BY ETHNICITY

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
Hispanic	2018	0.36	22	4.50%	
	2019	0.51	31	5.71%	40.91%
Non Hispanic	2018	6.65	402	82.21%	
	2019	5.86	354	65.19%	-11.94%
Unknown	2018	1.08	65	13.29%	
	2019	2.61	158	29.10%	143.08%

BY ETHNICITY

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
0.30	18	3.27%	
0.58	35	5.57%	94.44%
4.57	276	50.09%	
3.79	229	36.46%	-17.03%
4.25	257	46.64%	
6.02	364	57.96%	41.63%

BY AGE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
Under 18	2018	0.45	27	5.52%	
	2019	0.48	29	5.33%	7.41%
18 - 21	2018	0.86	52	10.63%	
	2019	1.31	79	14.52%	51.92%
22 - 29	2018	2.60	157	32.11%	
	2019	2.85	172	31.62%	9.55%
30 & over	2018	4.15	251	51.33%	
	2019	4.33	262	48.16%	4.38%
Unknown	2018	0.03	2	0.41%	
	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	0.00%

BY AGE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
0.33	20	3.63%	
0.23	14	2.23%	-30.00%
0.68	41	7.44%	
0.79	48	7.64%	17.07%
1.06	64	11.62%	
1.34	81	12.90%	26.56%
1.64	99	17.97%	
1.51	91	14.49%	-8.08%
5.41	327	59.35%	
6.52	394	62.74%	20.49%

NOTE: "Rate" = Number of murders per 100,000 population rounded to the nearest hundredth

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
FIREARMS	2018	7.48	452	82.03%	
	2019	8.50	514	82.24%	13.72%
TYPE UNKNOWN	2018	0.53	32	5.81%	
	2019	0.73	44	7.04%	37.50%
HANDGUN	2018	6.64	401	72.78%	
	2019	7.64	462	73.92%	15.21%
RIFLE	2018	0.10	6	1.09%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	-50.00%
SHOTGUN	2018	0.20	12	2.18%	
	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	-66.67%
OTHER GUN	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	0.00%
KNIFE	2018	0.79	48	8.71%	
	2019	0.94	57	9.12%	18.75%
BLUNT OBJECT	2018	0.13	8	1.45%	
	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	87.50%
PERSONAL WEAPON	2018	0.23	14	2.54%	
	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	7.14%
POISON	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
EXPLOSIVES	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
FIRE	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	200.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
NARCOTICS	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.03	2	0.32%	100.00%
DROWNING	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
STRANGULATION	2018	0.12	7	1.27%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
ASPHYXIATION	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
OTHER WEAPONS	2018	0.33	20	3.63%	
	2019	0.30	18	2.88%	-10.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
RAPE	2018	0.02	1	0.20%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
ROBBERY	2018	0.41	25	5.11%	
	2019	0.55	33	6.08%	32.00%
BREAKING OR ENTERING	2018	0.05	3	0.61%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.18%	-66.67%
LARCENY	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
ARSON	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.07	4	0.74%	
PROSTITUTION OR COMMERCIAL VICE	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER SEX OFFENSE	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	2018	0.22	13	2.66%	
	2019	0.15	9	1.66%	-30.77%
GAMBLING	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER - NOT SPECIFIED	2018	0.26	16	3.27%	
	2019	0.20	12	2.21%	-25.00%
ABORTION	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
LOVERS' TRIANGLE	2018	0.03	2	0.41%	
	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	0.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
CHILD KILLED BY BABYSITTER	2018	0.02	1	0.20%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.55%	200.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	2018	0.05	3	0.61%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS	2018	0.05	3	0.61%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
ARGUMENT OVER MONEY OR PROPERTY	2018	0.12	7	1.43%	
	2019	0.13	8	1.47%	14.29%
OTHER ARGUMENTS	2018	1.26	76	15.54%	
	2019	1.41	85	15.65%	11.84%
GANGLAND KILLINGS	2018	0.03	2	0.41%	
	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	0.00%
JUVENILE GANG KILLINGS	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
INSTITUTIONAL KILLINGS	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
SNIPER ATTACK	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER	2018	0.76	46	9.41%	
	2019	0.71	43	7.92%	-6.52%
ALL SUSPECTED FELONY TYPE	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DETERMINE	2018	4.82	291	59.51%	
	2019	5.64	341	62.80%	17.18%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

		RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
ALL FAMILY RELATED	2018	0.70	42	7.62%	
	2019	0.50	30	4.80%	-28.57%
HUSBAND	2018	0.03	2	0.36%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
WIFE	2018	0.15	9	1.63%	
	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	-55.56%
COMMON-LAW HUSBAND	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
COMMON-LAW WIFE	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
FATHER	2018	0.05	3	0.54%	
	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	33.33%
MOTHER	2018	0.07	4	0.73%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	-25.00%
SON	2018	0.05	3	0.54%	
	2019	0.10	6	0.96%	100.00%
DAUGHTER	2018	0.08	5	0.91%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	-80.00%
BROTHER	2018	0.03	2	0.36%	
	2019	0.03	2	0.32%	0.00%
SISTER	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

		RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
IN-LAW	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
STEPFATHER	2018	0.03	2	0.36%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	-50.00%
STEPMOTHER	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
STEPSON	2018	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	0.00%
STEPDAUGHTER	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
EX-HUSBAND	2018	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
EX-WIFE	2018	0.03	2	0.36%	
	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
OTHER FAMILY	2018	0.12	7	1.27%	
	2019	0.08	5	0.80%	-28.57%
BOYFRIEND OR GIRLFRIEND	2018	0.18	11	2.00%	
	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	36.36%
BOYFRIEND	2018	0.05	3	0.54%	
	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	0.00%
GIRLFRIEND	2018	0.13	8	1.45%	
	2019	0.20	12	1.92%	50.00%

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MURDER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter is the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

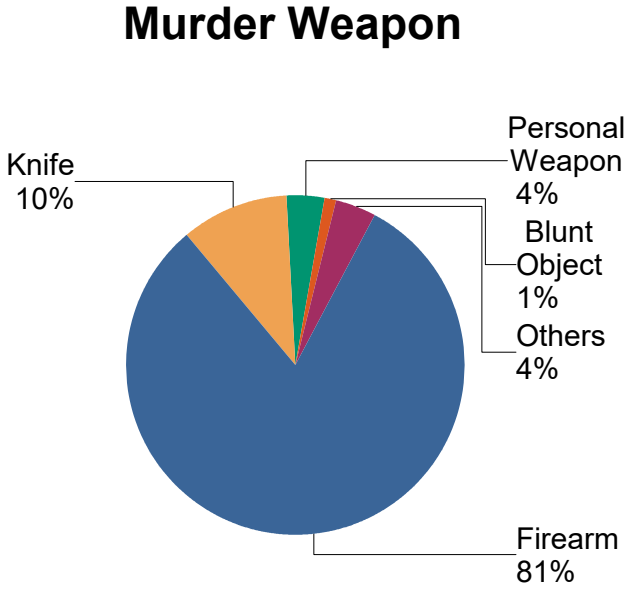
VOLUME AND RATE

During 2020, a total of 573 murders were reported. This represents a 5.5 percent change from 2019. Murder accounted for 2.3 percent of all violent crime and 0.5 percent of the crime index. In 2020, there were 9.5 murders per 100,000 of population.

ANALYSIS OF MURDER

In 2020, 285 murders were cleared with 4.9 percent of these clearances involving only juvenile offenders. A total of 269 persons were arrested for murder during 2020. A breakdown of persons arrested for murder is: 92.2 percent male; 7.8 percent female; 7.8 percent juvenile; 79.2 percent Black; 19.0 percent White and 1.9 percent consisting of American Indian, Asian and Pacific Islander.

During 2020, 253 of the murder victims were in the 18 to 29 age group, representing 44.2 percent of the total. There were 30 juvenile victims of murder, accounting for 5.2 percent of the total murder victims. Firearms were used in 81.0 percent of the reported murders in 2020. This represents a 2.9 percent change in their use when compared to the use of firearms in 2019. Knives accounted for 10.4 percent of the reported murders in 2020, a 19.3 percent change of the reported knife related murders in 2019.



Drug related murders accounted for 1.2 percent of the total in 2020. In 2019, drug related murders accounted for 1.7 percent of the total.

Family members, as offenders, accounted for 6.4 percent of the total murders in 2020, compared to 4.8 percent in 2019. Of the family members as offenders, husband and wife or boyfriend and girlfriend (those who had lived together) reflect 2.3 percent of the total murders reported.

Additionally, an acquaintance is listed in 10.6 percent of the murders reported in 2020. Strangers and unknown relationships accounted for 7.4 percent and 68.0 percent respectively.

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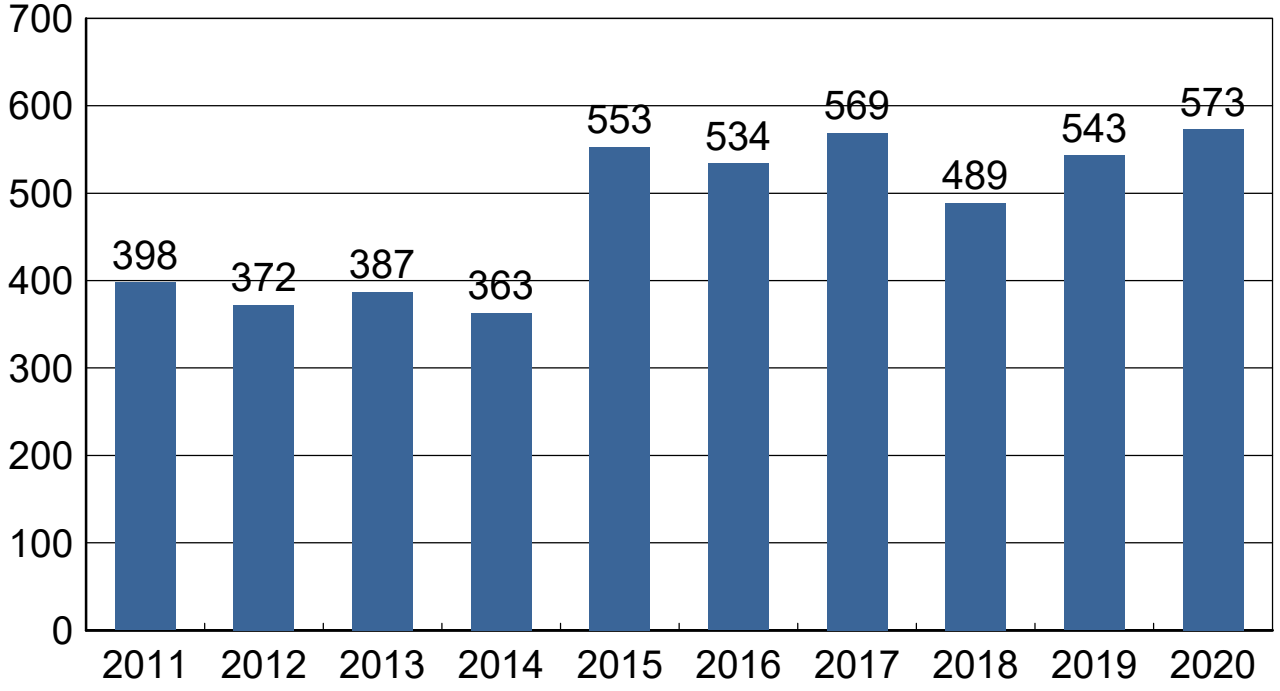
Total Number of Murders



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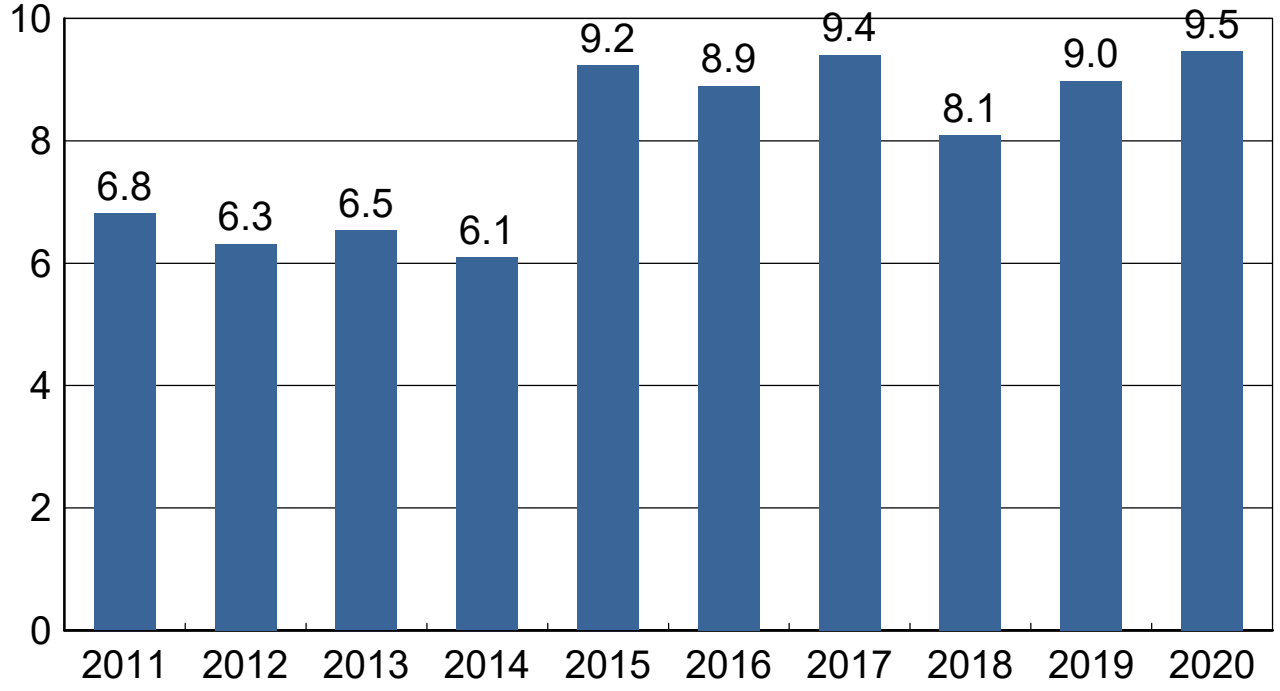
Rate per 100,000 Population



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Murder by County

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	5 Year Average (rounded)
Allegany County	1	0	2	4	5	2
Anne Arundel County	26	20	25	21	25	23
Baltimore City	334	348	309	342	318	330
Baltimore County	33	50	28	35	35	36
Calvert County	1	0	1	2	1	1
Caroline County	0	1	0	0	0	0
Carroll County	5	1	1	0	2	2
Cecil County	1	2	2	3	3	2
Charles County	16	5	11	8	6	9
Dorchester County	3	2	1	0	4	2
Frederick County	9	3	3	5	2	4
Garrett County	2	0	0	0	0	0
Harford County	5	7	9	10	9	8
Howard County	7	8	1	5	6	5
Kent County	0	0	0	1	0	0
Montgomery County	18	14	20	26	15	19
Prince George's County	93	75	61	81	88	80
Queen Anne's County	0	0	1	1	0	0
St. Mary's County	7	1	1	4	2	3
Somerset County	0	1	1	1	2	1
Talbot County	0	1	1	0	0	0
Washington County	8	3	8	9	3	6
Wicomico County	3	1	3	9	5	4
Worcester County	1	0	0	2	3	1
Statewide Agencies*	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Total	**573**	**543**	**489**	**569**	**534**	**542**

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT

Population	
2019	6,045,680
2020	6,055,802

		RATE	COUNT	% CHANGE
ACTUAL	2019	8.98	543	
	2020	9.46	573	5.52%
JUSTIFIABLE	2019	0.36	22	
	2020	0.33	20	-9.09%

VICTIMS BY RACE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
White	2019	1.46	88	16.21%	
	2020	1.60	97	16.93%	10.23%
Black	2019	7.46	451	83.06%	
	2020	7.79	472	82.37%	4.66%
Asian	2019	0.05	3	0.55%	
	2020	0.05	3	0.52%	0.00%
American Indian	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.17%	
Pacific Islander	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
Unknown Race	2019	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%

OFFENDERS BY RACE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
1.17	71	11.36%	
0.92	56	8.58%	-21.13%
4.43	268	42.88%	
5.12	310	47.47%	15.67%
0.02	1	0.16%	
0.03	2	0.31%	100.00%
0.00	0	0.00%	
0.05	3	0.46%	
0.00	0	0.00%	
0.00	0	0.00%	
4.71	285	45.60%	
4.66	282	43.19%	-1.05%

BY ETHNICITY

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
Hispanic	2019	0.51	31	5.71%	
	2020	0.51	31	5.41%	0.00%
Non Hispanic	2019	5.86	354	65.19%	
	2020	7.63	462	80.63%	30.51%
Unknown	2019	2.61	158	29.10%	
	2020	1.32	80	13.96%	-49.37%

BY ETHNICITY

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
0.58	35	5.57%	
0.28	17	2.56%	-51.43%
3.79	229	36.46%	
5.12	310	46.69%	35.37%
6.02	364	57.96%	
5.56	337	50.75%	-7.42%

BY AGE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
Under 18	2019	0.48	29	5.33%	
	2020	0.50	30	5.22%	3.45%
18 - 21	2019	1.31	79	14.52%	
	2020	1.47	89	15.48%	12.66%
22 - 29	2019	2.85	172	31.62%	
	2020	2.72	165	28.70%	-4.07%
30 & over	2019	4.33	262	48.16%	
	2020	4.79	290	50.43%	10.69%
Unknown	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.17%	-50.00%

BY AGE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
0.23	14	2.23%	
0.30	18	2.71%	28.57%
0.79	48	7.64%	
0.88	53	7.98%	10.42%
1.34	81	12.90%	
1.37	83	12.50%	2.47%
1.51	91	14.49%	
1.83	111	16.72%	21.98%
6.52	394	62.74%	
6.59	399	60.09%	1.27%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
FIREARMS	2019	8.50	514	82.24%	
	2020	8.74	529	81.01%	2.92%
TYPE UNKNOWN	2019	0.73	44	7.04%	
	2020	0.69	42	6.43%	-4.55%
HANDGUN	2019	7.64	462	73.92%	
	2020	7.73	468	71.67%	1.30%
RIFLE	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
	2020	0.25	15	2.30%	400.00%
SHOTGUN	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	
	2020	0.07	4	0.61%	0.00%
OTHER GUN	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
KNIFE	2019	0.94	57	9.12%	
	2020	1.12	68	10.41%	19.30%
BLUNT OBJECT	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	
	2020	0.13	8	1.23%	-46.67%
PERSONAL WEAPON	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	
	2020	0.38	23	3.52%	53.33%
POISON	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	
EXPLOSIVES	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
FIRE	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
NARCOTICS	2019	0.03	2	0.32%	
	2020	0.03	2	0.31%	0.00%
DROWNING	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
STRANGULATION	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.05	3	0.46%	
ASPHYXIATION	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	0.00%
OTHER WEAPONS	2019	0.30	18	2.88%	
	2020	0.30	18	2.76%	0.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
RAPE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
ROBBERY	2019	0.55	33	6.08%	
	2020	0.31	19	3.32%	-42.42%
BREAKING OR ENTERING	2019	0.02	1	0.18%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
LARCENY-THEFT	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
ARSON	2019	0.07	4	0.74%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
PROSTITUTION OR COMMERCIAL VICE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER SEX OFFENSE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	2019	0.15	9	1.66%	
	2020	0.12	7	1.22%	-22.22%
GAMBLING	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.17%	
OTHER - NOT SPECIFIED	2019	0.20	12	2.21%	
	2020	0.26	16	2.79%	33.33%
ABORTION	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.17%	
LOVERS' TRIANGLE	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	
	2020	0.08	5	0.87%	150.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

		RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
CHILD KILLED BY BABYSITTER	2019	0.05	3	0.55%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.17%	-66.67%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.07	4	0.70%	
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
ARGUMENT OVER MONEY OR PROPERTY	2019	0.13	8	1.47%	
	2020	0.15	9	1.57%	12.50%
OTHER ARGUMENTS	2019	1.41	85	15.65%	
	2020	1.82	110	19.20%	29.41%
GANGLAND KILLINGS	2019	0.03	2	0.37%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
JUVENILE GANG KILLINGS	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
INSTITUTIONAL KILLINGS	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
SNIPER ATTACK	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER	2019	0.71	43	7.92%	
	2020	1.44	87	15.18%	102.33%
ALL SUSPECTED FELONY TYPE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.03	2	0.35%	
NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DETERMINE	2019	5.64	341	62.80%	
	2020	5.14	311	54.28%	-8.80%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

		RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
ALL FAMILY RELATED	2019	0.50	30	4.80%	
	2020	0.69	42	6.44%	40.00%
HUSBAND	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.08	5	0.77%	
WIFE	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	
	2020	0.17	10	1.53%	150.00%
COMMON-LAW HUSBAND	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
COMMON-LAW WIFE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
FATHER	2019	0.07	4	0.64%	
	2020	0.05	3	0.46%	-25.00%
MOTHER	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
	2020	0.10	6	0.92%	100.00%
SON	2019	0.10	6	0.96%	
	2020	0.07	4	0.61%	-33.33%
DAUGHTER	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
	2020	0.07	4	0.61%	300.00%
BROTHER	2019	0.03	2	0.32%	
	2020	0.07	4	0.61%	100.00%
SISTER	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

		RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
IN-LAW	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
STEPFATHER	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
STEPMOTHER	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	
STEPSON	2019	0.02	1	0.16%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	-100.00%
STEPDAUGHTER	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
EX-HUSBAND	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
EX-WIFE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.03	2	0.31%	
OTHER FAMILY	2019	0.08	5	0.80%	
	2020	0.03	2	0.31%	-60.00%
BOYFRIEND OR GIRLFRIEND	2019	0.25	15	2.40%	
	2020	0.33	20	3.07%	33.33%
BOYFRIEND	2019	0.05	3	0.48%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	-66.67%
GIRLFRIEND	2019	0.20	12	1.92%	
	2020	0.31	19	2.91%	58.33%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

		RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE
NEIGHBOR	2019	0.03	2	0.32%	
	2020	0.02	1	0.15%	-50.00%
ACQUAINTANCE	2019	1.34	81	12.96%	
	2020	1.14	69	10.58%	-14.81%
EMPLOYEE	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
EMPLOYER	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
FRIEND	2019	0.12	7	1.12%	
	2020	0.15	9	1.38%	28.57%
HOMOSEXUAL RELATIONSHIP	2019	0.00	0	0.00%	
	2020	0.00	0	0.00%	
OTHER - KNOWN TO VICTIM	2019	0.23	14	2.24%	
	2020	0.31	19	2.91%	35.71%
STRANGER (NOT KNOWN TO VICTIM)	2019	0.56	34	5.44%	
	2020	0.79	48	7.36%	41.18%
RELATIONSHIP NOT DETERMINABLE	2019	7.31	442	70.72%	
	2020	7.33	444	68.10%	0.45%

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MURDER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter is the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

VOLUME AND RATE

During 2021, a total of 395 murders were reported through summary reporting methods. Murder accounted for 2.7 percent of all violent crime and 0.5 percent of the crime index. In 2021, there were 6.4 murders per 100,000 of population.

ANALYSIS OF SUMMARY REPORTING AGENCIES FOR MURDER

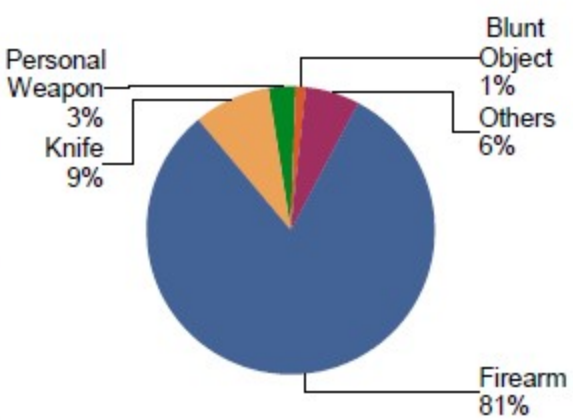
In 2021, 220 murders were cleared with 4.1 percent of these clearances involving only juvenile offenders. A total of 231 persons were arrested for murder during 2021. A breakdown of persons arrested for murder is: 93.5 percent male; 6.5 percent female; 7.4 percent juvenile; 78.8 percent Black; 20.3 percent White and 0.9 percent consisting of American Indian, Asian and Pacific Islander.

During 2021, 147 of the murder victims were in the 18 to 29 age group, representing 37.2 percent of the total. There were 23 juvenile victims of murder, accounting for 5.8 percent of the total murder victims. Firearms were used in 81.2 percent of the reported murders in 2021. Knives accounted for 8.5 percent of the reported murders in 2021.

Drug related murders accounted for 0.3 percent of the total in 2021.

Family members, as offenders, accounted for 6.9 percent of the total murders in 2021. Of the family members as offenders, husband and wife or boyfriend and girlfriend (those who had lived together) reflect 1.5 percent of the total murders reported.

Murder Weapon



Additionally, an acquaintance is listed in 13.6 percent of the murders reported in 2021. Strangers and unknown relationships accounted for 3.2 percent and 70.6 percent respectively.

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT

Population		RATE	COUNT
2021	6,165,129		
ACTUAL		6.41	395
JUSTIFIABLE		0.23	14

VICTIMS BY RACE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
White	1.23	76	19.24%
Black	5.06	312	78.99%
Asian	0.10	6	1.52%
American Indian	0.00	0	0.00%
Pacific Islander	0.00	0	0.00%
Unknown Race	0.02	1	0.25%

OFFENDERS BY RACE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
0.73	45	9.74%
3.80	234	50.65%
0.05	3	0.65%
0.00	0	0.00%
0.00	0	0.00%
2.92	180	38.96%

BY ETHNICITY

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Hispanic	0.65	40	10.13%
Non Hispanic	5.40	333	84.30%
Unknown	0.36	22	5.57%

BY ETHNICITY

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
0.34	21	4.51%
3.89	240	51.50%
3.33	205	43.99%

BY AGE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Under 18	0.36	22	5.56%
18 - 21	0.84	52	13.13%
22 - 29	1.56	96	24.24%
30 & over	3.55	219	55.30%
Unknown	0.06	4	1.01%
8	0.02	1	0.25%
85	0.02	1	0.25%
92	0.02	1	0.25%

BY AGE

RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
0.29	18	3.86%
0.63	39	8.37%
1.05	65	13.95%
1.54	95	20.39%
4.04	249	53.43%

NOTE: "Rate" = Number of murders per 100,000 population rounded to the nearest hundredth

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
FIREARMS	6.16	380	81.20%
TYPE UNKNOWN	1.14	70	14.96%
HANDGUN	4.93	304	64.96%
RIFLE	0.08	5	1.07%
SHOTGUN	0.02	1	0.21%
OTHER GUN	0.00	0	0.00%
KNIFE	0.65	40	8.55%
BLUNT OBJECT	0.10	6	1.28%
PERSONAL WEAPON	0.23	14	2.99%
POISON	0.02	1	0.21%
EXPLOSIVES	0.00	0	0.00%
FIRE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTICS	0.00	0	0.00%
DROWNING	0.00	0	0.00%
STRANGULATION	0.03	2	0.43%
ASPHYXIATION	0.03	2	0.43%
OTHER WEAPONS	0.37	23	4.91%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT BY CIRCUMSTANCE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
RAPE	0.00	0	0.00%
ROBBERY	0.26	16	4.05%
BREAKING OR ENTERING	0.00	0	0.00%
LARCENY-THEFT	0.02	1	0.25%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0.00	0	0.00%
ARSON	0.00	0	0.00%
PROSTITUTION OR COMMERCIAL VICE	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER SEX OFFENSE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	0.02	1	0.25%
GAMBLING	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - NOT SPECIFIED	0.15	9	2.28%
ABORTION	0.00	0	0.00%
LOVERS' TRIANGLE	0.02	1	0.25%
CHILD KILLED BY BABYSITTER	0.05	3	0.76%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	0.00	0	0.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS	0.02	1	0.25%
ARGUMENT OVER MONEY OR PROPERTY	0.02	1	0.25%
OTHER ARGUMENTS	1.31	81	20.51%
GANGLAND KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
JUVENILE GANG KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%

NOTE: "Rate" = Number of murders per 100,000 population rounded to the nearest hundredth

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT BY CIRCUMSTANCE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
INSTITUTIONAL KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
SNIPER ATTACK	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER	0.91	56	14.18%
ALL SUSPECTED FELONY TYPE	0.02	1	0.25%
NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DETERMINE	3.63	224	56.71%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT BY RELATIONSHIP

	RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
ALL FAMILY RELATED	0.52	32	6.84%
HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
WIFE	0.11	7	1.50%
COMMON-LAW HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
COMMON-LAW WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
FATHER	0.06	4	0.85%
MOTHER	0.13	8	1.71%
SON	0.02	1	0.21%
DAUGHTER	0.03	2	0.43%
BROTHER	0.05	3	0.64%
SISTER	0.02	1	0.21%
IN-LAW	0.02	1	0.21%
STEPFATHER	0.02	1	0.21%
STEPMOTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPSON	0.02	1	0.21%
STEPDAUGHTER	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-WIFE	0.02	1	0.21%
OTHER FAMILY	0.03	2	0.43%
BOYFRIEND OR GIRLFRIEND	0.23	14	2.99%
BOYFRIEND	0.06	4	0.85%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT BY RELATIONSHIP

	RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
GIRLFRIEND	0.16	10	2.14%
NEIGHBOR	0.00	0	0.00%
ACQUAINTANCE	1.02	63	13.46%
EMPLOYEE	0.00	0	0.00%
EMPLOYER	0.00	0	0.00%
FRIEND	0.08	5	1.07%
HOMOSEXUAL RELATIONSHIP	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - KNOWN TO VICTIM	0.21	13	2.78%
STRANGER (NOT KNOWN TO VICTIM)	0.24	15	3.21%
RELATIONSHIP NOT DETERMINABLE	5.29	326	69.66%

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MURDER

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VOLUME AND RATE

During 2022, a total of 15 murders were reported through summary reporting methods. Murder accounted for 1.3 percent of all violent crime and 0.2 percent of the crime index. In 2022, there were 0.2 murders per 100,000 of population.

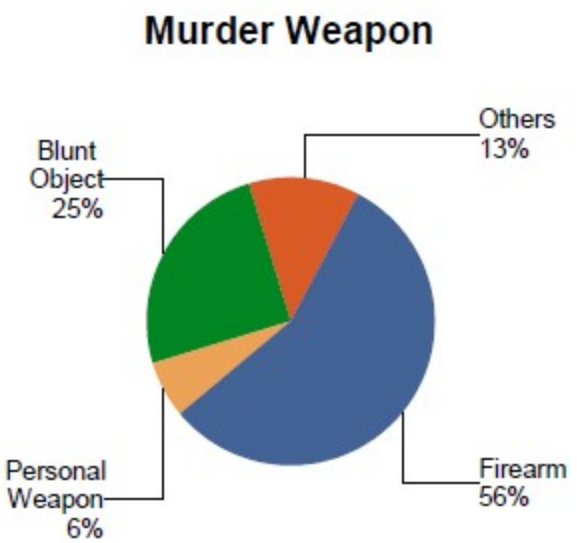
ANALYSIS OF SUMMARY REPORTING AGENCIES FOR MURDER

In 2022, 12 murders were cleared with 25.0 percent of these clearances involving only juvenile offenders. A total of 14 persons were arrested for murder during 2022. A breakdown of persons arrested for murder is: 92.9 percent male; 7.1 percent female; 21.4 percent juvenile; 85.7 percent Black; 14.3 percent White and 0.0 percent consisting of American Indian, Asian and Pacific Islander.

During 2022, 7 of the murder victims were in the 18 to 29 age group, representing 46.7 percent of the total. There was 1 juvenile victim of murder, accounting for 6.7 percent of the total murder victims. Firearms were used in 56.3 percent of the reported murders in 2022. Knives accounted for 0.0 percent of the reported murders in 2022.

Drug related murders accounted for 0.0 percent of the total in 2022.

Family members, as offenders, accounted for 18.8 percent of the total murders in 2022. Of the family members as offenders, husband and wife or boyfriend and girlfriend (those who had lived together) reflect 6.3 percent of the total murders reported.



Additionally, an acquaintance is listed in 6.3 percent of the murders reported in 2022. Strangers and unknown relationships accounted for 25.0 percent and 37.5 percent respectively.

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT

Population		RATE	COUNT
2022	6,164,660	ACTUAL	0.24	15

VICTIMS BY RACE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
White	0.05	3	20.00%
Black	0.19	12	80.00%
Asian	0.00	0	0.00%
American Indian	0.00	0	0.00%
Pacific Islander	0.00	0	0.00%
Unknown Race	0.00	0	0.00%

OFFENDERS BY RACE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
White	0.08	5	31.25%
Black	0.08	5	31.25%
Asian	0.00	0	0.00%
American Indian	0.00	0	0.00%
Pacific	0.00	0	0.00%
Unknown Race	0.10	6	37.50%

BY ETHNICITY

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Hispanic	0.00	0	0.00%
Non Hispanic	0.23	14	93.33%
Unknown	0.02	1	6.67%

BY ETHNICITY

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Non Hispanic	0.13	8	50.00%
Unknown	0.13	8	50.00%

BY AGE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Under 18	0.02	1	6.67%
18 - 21	0.08	5	33.33%
22 - 29	0.03	2	13.33%
30 & over	0.11	7	46.67%

BY AGE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
18 - 21	0.02	1	6.25%
22 - 29	0.05	3	18.75%
30 & over	0.10	6	37.50%
Unknown	0.10	6	37.50%

NOTE: "Rate" = Number of murders per 100,000 population rounded to the nearest hundredth

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
FIREARMS	0.15	9	56.25%
TYPE UNKNOWN	0.00	0	0.00%
HANDGUN	0.15	9	56.25%
RIFLE	0.00	0	0.00%
SHOTGUN	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER GUN	0.00	0	0.00%
KNIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
BLUNT OBJECT	0.06	4	25.00%
PERSONAL WEAPON	0.02	1	6.25%
POISON	0.00	0	0.00%
EXPLOSIVES	0.00	0	0.00%
FIRE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTICS	0.00	0	0.00%
DROWNING	0.00	0	0.00%
STRANGULATION	0.02	1	6.25%
ASPHYXIATION	0.02	1	6.25%
OTHER WEAPONS	0.00	0	0.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
RAPE	0.00	0	0.00%
ROBBERY	0.06	4	26.67%
BREAKING OR ENTERING	0.00	0	0.00%
LARCENY-THEFT	0.00	0	0.00%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0.00	0	0.00%
ARSON	0.00	0	0.00%
PROSTITUTION OR COMMERCIAL VICE	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER SEX OFFENSE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	0.00	0	0.00%
GAMBLING	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - NOT SPECIFIED	0.00	0	0.00%
ABORTION	0.00	0	0.00%
LOVERS' TRIANGLE	0.02	1	6.67%
CHILD KILLED BY BABYSITTER	0.00	0	0.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	0.00	0	0.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS	0.00	0	0.00%
ARGUMENT OVER MONEY OR PROPERTY	0.02	1	6.67%
OTHER ARGUMENTS	0.00	0	0.00%
GANGLAND KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
JUVENILE GANG KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
INSTITUTIONAL KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
SNIPER ATTACK	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER	0.06	4	26.67%
ALL SUSPECTED FELONY TYPE	0.02	1	6.67%
NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DETERMINE	0.06	4	26.67%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

	RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
ALL FAMILY RELATED	0.05	3	18.75%
HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
WIFE	0.02	1	6.25%
COMMON-LAW HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
COMMON-LAW WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
FATHER	0.02	1	6.25%
MOTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
SON	0.00	0	0.00%
DAUGHTER	0.00	0	0.00%
BROTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
SISTER	0.00	0	0.00%
IN-LAW	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPFATHER	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPMOTHER	0.02	1	6.25%
STEPSON	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPDAUGHTER	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER FAMILY	0.00	0	0.00%
BOYFRIEND	0.00	0	0.00%
GIRLFRIEND	0.00	0	0.00%
NEIGHBOR	0.00	0	0.00%
ACQUAINTANCE	0.02	1	6.25%
EMPLOYEE	0.00	0	0.00%
EMPLOYER	0.00	0	0.00%
FRIEND	0.03	2	12.50%
HOMOSEXUAL RELATIONSHIP	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - KNOWN TO VICTIM	0.00	0	0.00%
STRANGER (NOT KNOWN TO VICTIM)	0.06	4	25.00%
RELATIONSHIP NOT DETERMINABLE	0.10	6	37.50%

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MURDER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter is the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

VOLUME AND RATE

During 2023, a total of 12 murders were reported through summary reporting methods. Murder accounted for 2.2 percent of all violent crime and 0.5 percent of the crime index. In 2023, there were 0.2 murders per 100,000 of population.

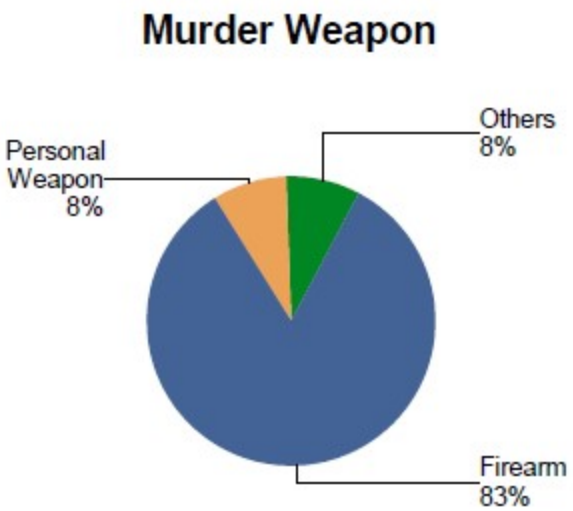
ANALYSIS OF SUMMARY REPORTING AGENCIES FOR MURDER

In 2023, 9 murders were cleared with 11.1 percent of these clearances involving only juvenile offenders. A total of 6 persons were arrested for murder during 2023. A breakdown of persons arrested for murder is: 83.3 percent male; 16.7 percent female; 16.7 percent juvenile; 66.7 percent Black; 33.3 percent White and 0.0 percent consisting of American Indian, Asian and Pacific Islander.

During 2023, 7 of the murder victims were in the 18 to 29 age group, representing 58.3 percent of the total. There were 2 juvenile victims of murder, accounting for 16.7 percent of the total murder victims. Firearms were used in 83.3 percent of the reported murders in 2023. Knives accounted for 0.0 percent of the reported murders in 2023.

Drug related murders accounted for 0.0 percent of the total in 2023.

Family members, as offenders, accounted for 8.3 percent of the total murders in 2023. Of the family members as offenders, husband and wife or boyfriend and girlfriend (those who had lived together) reflect 0.0 percent of the total murders reported.



Additionally, an acquaintance is listed in 0.0 percent of the murders reported in 2023. Strangers and unknown relationships accounted for 16.7 percent and 41.7 percent respectively.

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT

Population			RATE	COUNT
2023	6,246,242	ACTUAL	0.19	12

VICTIMS BY RACE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
White	0.06	4	33.33%
Black	0.13	8	66.67%
Asian	0.00	0	0.00%
American Indian	0.00	0	0.00%
Pacific Islander	0.00	0	0.00%
Unknown Race	0.00	0	0.00%

OFFENDERS BY RACE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
White	0.06	4	33.33%
Black	0.08	5	41.67%
Asian	0.00	0	0.00%
American Indian	0.00	0	0.00%
Pacific	0.00	0	0.00%
Unknown Race	0.05	3	25.00%

BY ETHNICITY

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Hispanic	0.05	3	25.00%
Non Hispanic	0.14	9	75.00%
Unknown	0.00	0	0.00%

BY ETHNICITY

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Non Hispanic	0.14	9	75.00%
Unknown	0.05	3	25.00%

BY AGE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
Under 18	0.03	2	16.67%
18 - 21	0.05	3	25.00%
22 - 29	0.06	4	33.33%
30 & over	0.05	3	25.00%

BY AGE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
18 - 21	0.02	1	8.33%
22 - 29	0.03	2	16.67%
30 & over	0.10	6	50.00%
Unknown	0.05	3	25.00%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
WEAPON INVOLVED IN MURDER

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
FIREARMS	0.16	10	83.33%
TYPE UNKNOWN	0.00	0	0.00%
HANDGUN	0.16	10	83.33%
RIFLE	0.00	0	0.00%
SHOTGUN	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER GUN	0.00	0	0.00%
KNIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
BLUNT OBJECT	0.00	0	0.00%
PERSONAL WEAPON	0.02	1	8.33%
POISON	0.00	0	0.00%
EXPLOSIVES	0.00	0	0.00%
FIRE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTICS	0.00	0	0.00%
DROWNING	0.00	0	0.00%
STRANGULATION	0.00	0	0.00%
ASPHYXIATION	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER WEAPONS	0.02	1	8.33%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY CIRCUMSTANCE

	RATE	# OF ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
RAPE	0.00	0	0.00%
ROBBERY	0.00	0	0.00%
BREAKING OR ENTERING	0.00	0	0.00%
LARCENY-THEFT	0.00	0	0.00%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0.00	0	0.00%
ARSON	0.00	0	0.00%
PROSTITUTION OR COMMERCIAL VICE	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER SEX OFFENSE	0.00	0	0.00%
NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	0.00	0	0.00%
GAMBLING	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - NOT SPECIFIED	0.02	1	8.33%
ABORTION	0.00	0	0.00%
LOVERS' TRIANGLE	0.00	0	0.00%
CHILD KILLED BY BABYSITTER	0.00	0	0.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	0.00	0	0.00%
BRAWL DUE TO INFLUENCE OF NARCOTICS	0.00	0	0.00%
ARGUMENT OVER MONEY OR PROPERTY	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER ARGUMENTS	0.00	0	0.00%
GANGLAND KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
JUVENILE GANG KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
INSTITUTIONAL KILLINGS	0.00	0	0.00%
SNIPER ATTACK	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER	0.05	3	25.00%
ALL SUSPECTED FELONY TYPE	0.00	0	0.00%
NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DETERMINE	0.13	8	66.67%

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MURDER BREAKDOWN REPORT
BY RELATIONSHIP

	RATE	# ACTUALS	% OF TOTAL
ALL FAMILY RELATED	0.02	1	8.33%
HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
COMMON-LAW HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
COMMON-LAW WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
FATHER	0.00	0	0.00%
MOTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
SON	0.00	0	0.00%
DAUGHTER	0.02	1	8.33%
BROTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
SISTER	0.00	0	0.00%
IN-LAW	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPFATHER	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPMOTHER	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPSON	0.00	0	0.00%
STEPDAUGHTER	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-HUSBAND	0.00	0	0.00%
EX-WIFE	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER FAMILY	0.00	0	0.00%
BOYFRIEND	0.00	0	0.00%
GIRLFRIEND	0.00	0	0.00%
NEIGHBOR	0.05	3	25.00%
ACQUAINTANCE	0.00	0	0.00%
EMPLOYEE	0.00	0	0.00%
EMPLOYER	0.00	0	0.00%
FRIEND	0.00	0	0.00%
HOMOSEXUAL RELATIONSHIP	0.00	0	0.00%
OTHER - KNOWN TO VICTIM	0.02	1	8.33%
STRANGER (NOT KNOWN TO VICTIM)	0.03	2	16.67%
RELATIONSHIP NOT DETERMINABLE	0.08	5	41.67%

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