

Table 29. HOMICIDE VICTIMS IN VIRGINIA (N = 3,988): 1999 - 2007\*

	1999			2000			2001			2002			2003			2004			2005			2006			2007			
	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	No.	%	Rate	
<b>SEX</b>																												
Female	117	26.9	3.2	126	27.7	3.5	113	26.4	3.1	102	24.1	2.7	98	21.3	2.6	111	26.2	2.9	105	21.2	2.7	94	22.1	2.4	96	21.8	2.4	
Male	318	73.1	9.2	329	72.3	9.5	315	73.6	8.9	322	75.9	9.0	363	78.7	10.1	312	73.8	8.5	391	78.8	10.5	332	77.9	8.8	344	78.2	9.1	
<b>RACE/ETHNICITY</b>																												
White	160	36.8	3.2	165	36.3	3.3	158	36.9	3.1	141	33.3	2.7	138	29.9	2.7	128	30.3	2.3	154	31.0	2.7	138	32.4	2.4	132	30.0	2.3	
Black	254	58.4	17.8	257	56.5	18.0	242	56.5	16.7	262	61.8	17.7	280	60.7	19.0	261	61.7	17.2	297	59.9	19.3	256	60.1	16.4	262	59.5	16.6	
Hispanic	14	3.2	4.1	21	4.6	6.2	16	3.7	4.4	14	3.3	3.6	27	5.9	7.0	24	5.7	5.6	31	6.3	6.9	26	6.1	5.4	33	7.5	6.5	
Other	7	1.6	2.0	12	2.6	3.4	11	2.6	2.9	7	1.7	1.8	16	3.5	4.1	9	2.1	2.3	13	2.6	3.2	6	1.4	1.4	13	3.0	3.0	
Unknown	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	1	0.2	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	
<b>AGE</b>																												
>1	13	3.0	14.2	9	2.0	9.7	12	2.8	11.9	9	2.1	8.9	11	2.4	10.9	4	0.9	4.0	8	1.6	7.6	15	3.5	14.5	8	1.8	7.5	
1-4	13	3.0	3.6	9	2.0	2.4	11	2.6	2.9	10	2.4	2.6	7	1.5	1.8	12	2.8	3.0	12	2.4	2.9	9	2.1	2.2	5	1.1	1.2	
5-14	6	1.4	0.6	13	2.9	1.3	8	1.9	0.8	9	2.1	0.9	16	3.5	1.6	11	2.6	1.1	10	2.0	1.0	6	1.4	0.6	6	1.4	0.6	
15-24	119	27.4	12.3	115	25.3	11.9	133	31.1	13.4	121	28.5	11.9	165	35.8	16.2	133	31.4	12.6	156	31.5	14.6	122	28.6	11.5	144	32.7	13.4	
25-34	102	23.4	9.8	114	25.1	11.0	111	25.9	10.8	115	27.1	11.1	98	21.3	9.5	107	25.3	10.5	122	24.6	12.0	95	22.3	9.1	104	23.6	9.9	
35-44	92	21.1	7.7	92	20.2	7.7	76	17.8	6.3	81	19.1	6.8	85	18.4	7.1	70	16.5	6.0	85	17.1	7.3	76	17.8	6.4	67	15.2	5.8	
45-54	45	10.3	4.5	50	11.0	5.0	33	7.7	3.2	39	9.2	3.7	44	9.5	4.2	43	10.2	3.9	58	11.7	5.2	55	12.9	4.8	55	12.5	4.8	
55-64	17	3.9	2.7	23	5.1	3.6	16	3.7	2.4	15	3.5	2.2	17	3.7	2.4	20	4.7	2.6	23	4.6	2.8	27	6.3	3.2	35	8.0	4.1	
>64	28	6.4	3.5	30	6.6	3.8	28	6.5	3.5	25	5.9	3.1	18	3.9	2.2	23	5.4	2.7	22	4.4	2.5	21	4.9	2.4	16	3.6	1.8	
<b>FATAL AGENCY**</b>																												
Firearm	289	66.4	--	309	67.9	--	293	68.5	--	309	72.9	--	335	72.7	--	308	72.8	--	356	71.8	--	303	71.1	--	330	75.0	--	
Sharp Instrument	58	13.3	--	61	13.4	--	46	10.7	--	30	7.1	--	51	11.1	--	47	11.1	--	60	12.1	--	61	14.3	--	50	11.4	--	
Personal Weapon	27	6.2	--	26	5.7	--	32	7.5	--	17	4.0	--	18	3.9	--	18	4.3	--	34	6.9	--	15	3.5	--	23	5.2	--	
Blunt Instrument	23	5.3	--	23	5.1	--	24	5.6	--	28	6.6	--	17	3.7	--	27	6.4	--	23	4.6	--	26	6.1	--	18	4.1	--	
Strangle/Choke	11	2.5	--	16	3.5	--	11	2.6	--	23	5.4	--	11	2.4	--	12	2.8	--	16	3.2	--	9	2.1	--	9	2.0	--	
Motor Vehicle	4	0.9	--	4	0.9	--	2	0.5	--	1	0.2	--	4	0.9	--	3	0.7	--	4	0.8	--	1	0.2	--	2	0.5	--	
Push/Slam/Throw to Ground/Wall***	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	1.2	--	3	0.6	--	1	0.2	--	3	0.7	--	
Drown	2	0.5	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	5	1.2	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	4	0.8	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	
Fire/Smoke Inhalation	4	0.9	--	2	0.4	--	3	0.7	--	1	0.2	--	9	2.0	--	4	0.9	--	1	0.2	--	4	0.9	--	2	0.5	--	
Smother/Suffocate	3	0.7	--	4	0.9	--	7	1.6	--	5	1.2	--	2	0.4	--	2	0.5	--	1	0.2	--	9	2.1	--	3	0.7	--	
Poison/Carbon Monoxide	2	0.5	--	1	0.2	--	3	0.7	--	2	0.5	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	0	0.0	--	2	0.5	--	2	0.5	--	
Other	12	2.8	--	9	2.0	--	6	1.4	--	3	0.7	--	14	3.0	--	2	0.5	--	7	1.4	--	4	0.9	--	3	0.7	--	
Unknown	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	0	0.0	--	1	0.2	--	3	0.6	--	3	0.7	--	3	0.7	--	
<b>OCME DISTRICT</b>																												
Central	169	38.9	9.1	172	37.8	9.3	159	37.1	8.5	174	41.0	9.1	196	42.5	10.2	185	43.7	9.4	177	35.7	8.8	155	36.4	7.4	142	32.3	6.9	
Northern	59	13.6	2.8	49	10.8	2.3	54	12.6	2.4	49	11.6	2.2	51	11.1	2.3	37	8.7	1.6	63	12.7	2.6	75	17.6	3.1	51	11.6	2.1	
Tidewater	139	32.0	9.1	135	29.7	8.9	136	31.8	8.8	106	25.0	6.8	145	31.5	9.3	131	31.0	8.3	173	34.9	10.9	135	31.7	8.9	158	35.9	10.0	
Western	68	15.6	4.3	99	21.8	6.3	79	18.5	5.0	95	22.4	6.1	69	15.0	4.4	70	16.5	4.4	83	16.7	5.2	61	14.3	3.8	89	20.2	5.6	
<b>TYPE OF HOMICIDE</b>																												
Intimate Partner <18	1	0.2	0.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	3	0.7	0.2	1	0.2	0.1	2	0.4	0.1	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.2	0.1	
Intimate Partner 18 and Over	71	16.3	1.3	85	18.7	1.6	68	15.9	1.3	63	14.9	1.1	54	11.7	1.0	61	14.4	1.1	67	13.5	1.2	49	11.5	0.8	51	11.6	0.9	
Intimate Partner Associated	18	4.1	0.3	15	3.3	0.2	20	4.7	0.3	21	5.0	0.3	32	6.9	0.4	27	6.4	0.4	35	7.1	0.5	48	11.3	0.6	41	9.3	0.5	
Child by Caregiver	32	7.4	1.8	24	5.3	1.4	25	5.8	1.4	23	5.4	1.3	20	4.3	1.1	18	4.3	1.0	20	4.0	1.1	18	4.2	1.0	11	2.5	0.6	
Elder by Caregiver	1	0.2	0.1	3	0.7	0.2	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.2	0.1	1	0.2	0.1	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.2	0.1	2	0.5	0.1	1	0.2	0.1	
Other Family	23	5.3	0.3	21	4.6	0.3	17	4.0	0.2	17	4.0	0.2	21	4.6	0.3	24	5.7	0.3	22	4.4	0.3	24	5.6	0.3	20	4.5	0.3	
Family Associated****	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	0.9	0.1	1	0.2	<0.1	2	0.5	<0.1	1	0.2	<0.1	
Other Homicide	289	66.4	4.1	307	67.5	4.3	298	69.6	4.1	299	70.5	4.1	330	71.6	4.5	288	68.1	3.9	348	70.2	4.6	283	66.4	3.7	314	71.4	4.1	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5.7</b>	

\*Rates were calculated based on U.S. Census Bureau estimates for each year and are per 100,000 persons.

\*\*Fatal agency was calculated by the number of occurrences in a homicide event. The number of fatal agencies may not equal the number of homicides, as there may be more than one fatal agency used in a homicide.

\*\*\*In 2004, "Push/Slam/Throw to Ground/Wall" was added as a fatal agency.

\*\*\*\*In 2004, "Family Associated" was added as a type of homicide.