



DEFINITION

The FBI UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) program has defined Murder as *the willful killing of one human being by another.*

The classification of this offense is based solely on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, coroner, jury, or other judicial body. Deaths caused by negligence, suicide, accident, or justifiable homicide are not included in this offense category.

ANALYSIS

VOLUME

The reported number of murders committed in Michigan in 2013 was 631. This was a 7 percent decrease in murders from 2012 and a 1 percent increase from 2009. More persons were murdered during the month of July, while fewer murders occurred in the month of February. Murders occurred most often on Fridays and least often on Wednesdays in 2013.

CRIME RATE

The murder rate in 2013 was 6 murders for every 100,000 persons, a decrease of 14 percent from 2012.

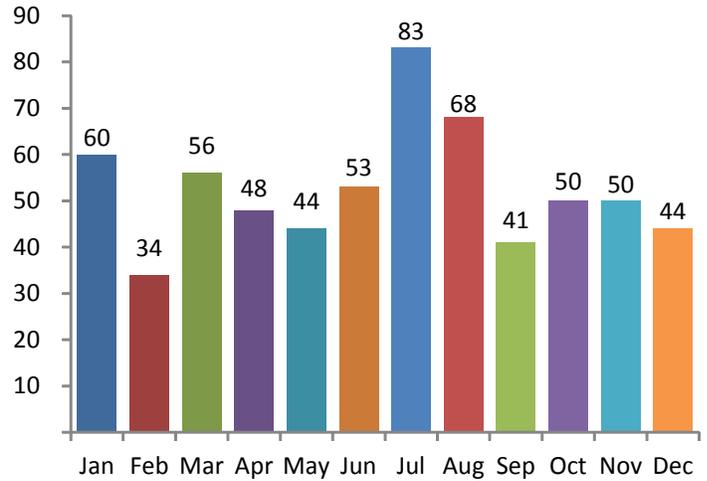
CLEARANCES

In 2013, 39 percent of all murders were cleared by an arrest or exceptional means. Exceptional clearances can be reported when one of the following circumstances has occurred: Death of Offender, Prosecution Declined, In Custody of Other Jurisdiction, Victim Refused to Cooperate, or Juvenile/No Custody.

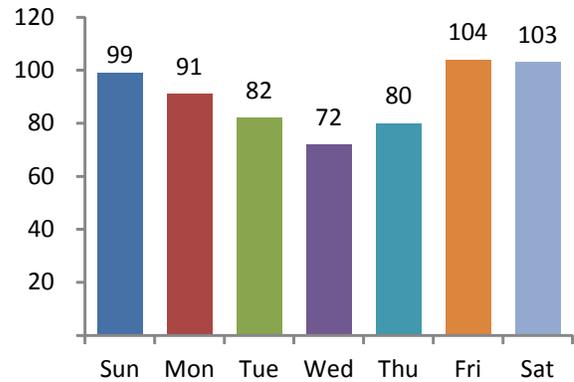
NATURE

Of the 631 murders, 71 percent were committed by the use of a firearm. Of the murders in which a firearm was used, Handguns accounted for 45 percent of that weapon type. Knife/Cutting Instrument was the weapon of choice in 7 percent of the reported cases and Personal Weapon in 6 percent of the cases.

Victims by Month

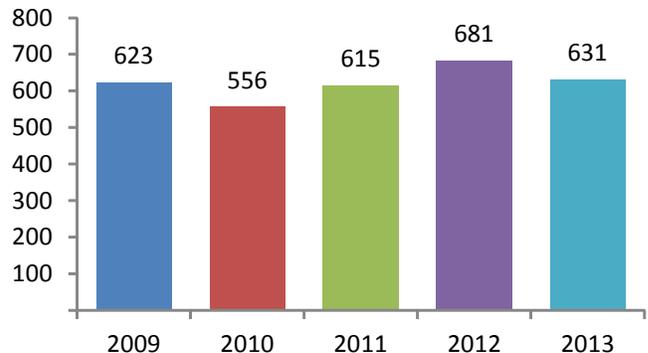


Victims by Day



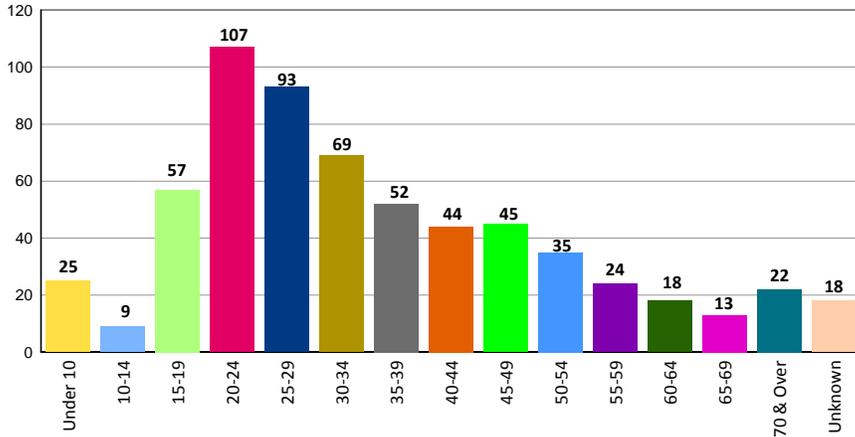
5-Year Trend

Number of Victims





Age of Victims



ANALYSIS CONTINUED

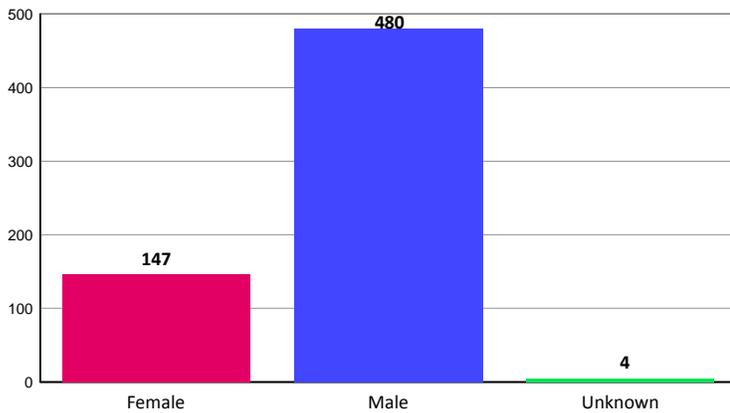
Age, Sex, and Race Analysis

Seventeen (17) percent of the victims were between the ages of 20 - 24. In 2012, this age group reported 22 percent of the victims.

Fifty-two (52) percent of the Female victims were Black and 43 percent were White. Eighteen (18) percent of Female victims fell into the 20 - 24 age group.

Seventy-eight (78) percent of the Male victims were Black and 20 percent were White. Seventeen (17) percent of Male victims fell into the 20 - 24 age group.

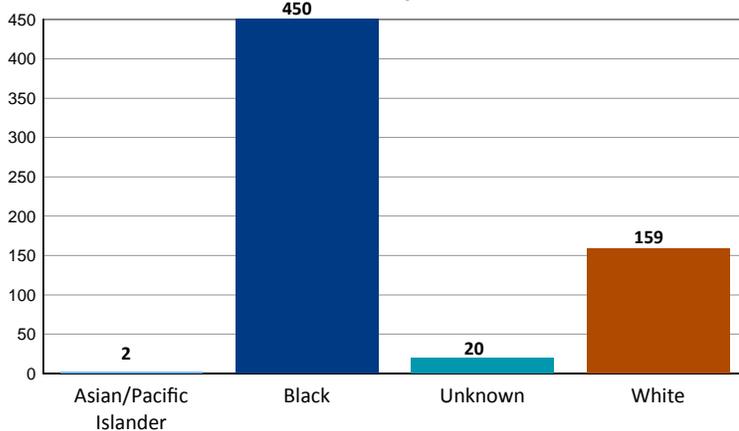
Sex of Victims



Murder Circumstances

Victim circumstance is defined as something that occurs to the victim which is out of their control. In these murders, 54 percent of the time the detectives could not determine the victim circumstance. In 20 percent of the cases, it was determined that the murder happened due to an Argument. Other Circumstances occurred in 20 percent of the murders, while Drug Dealings and Lover's Quarrels were reported in 4 percent of the cases when combined.

Race of Victims

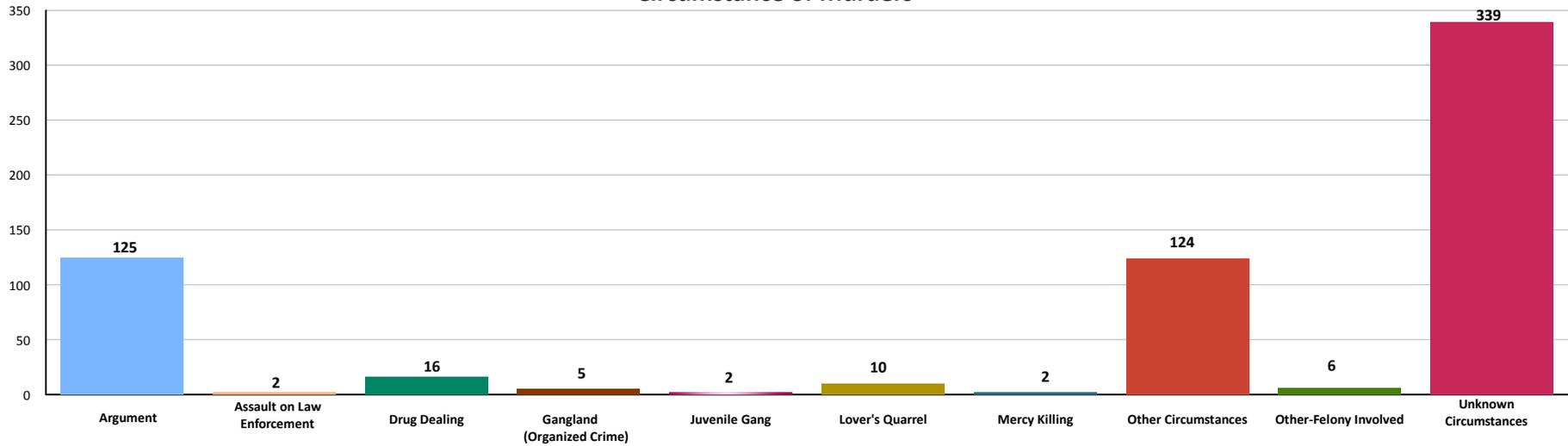


Location of Murders

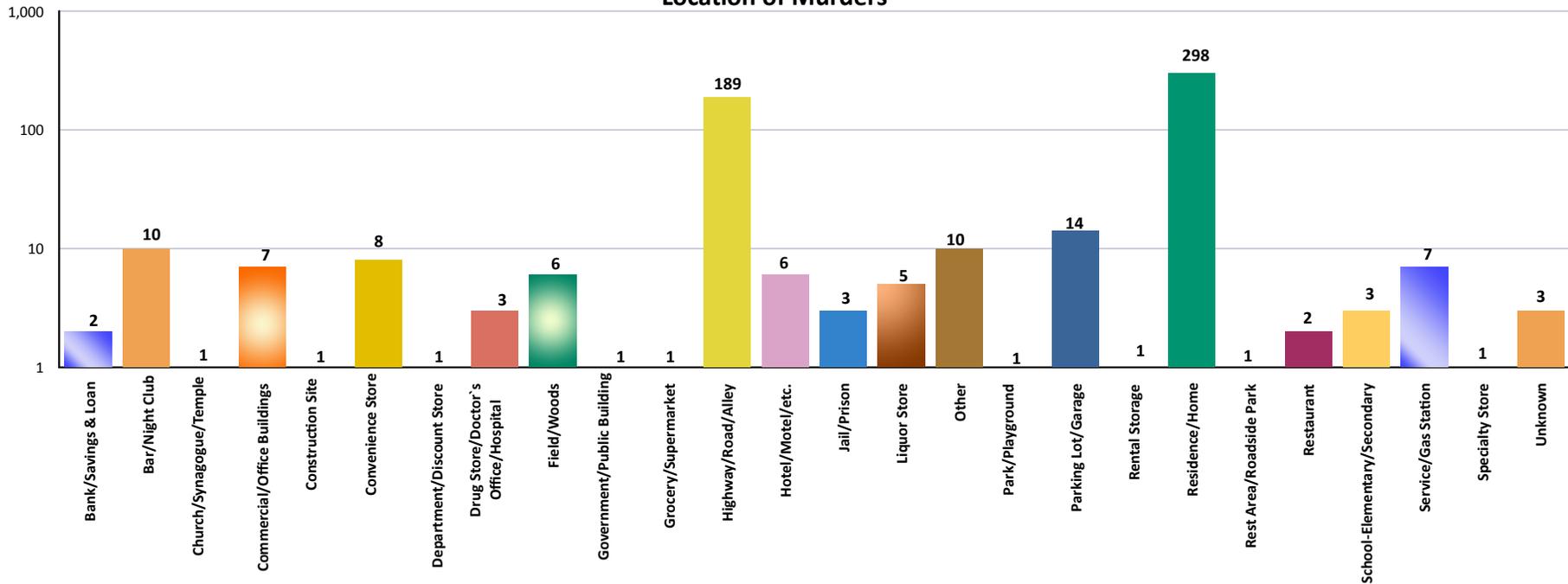
Forty-seven (47) percent of these murders occurred in a Residence/Home. Thirty (30) percent were reported to occur on a Highway/Road/Alley. Three (3) percent of the murders occurred in a Parking Lot/Garage.



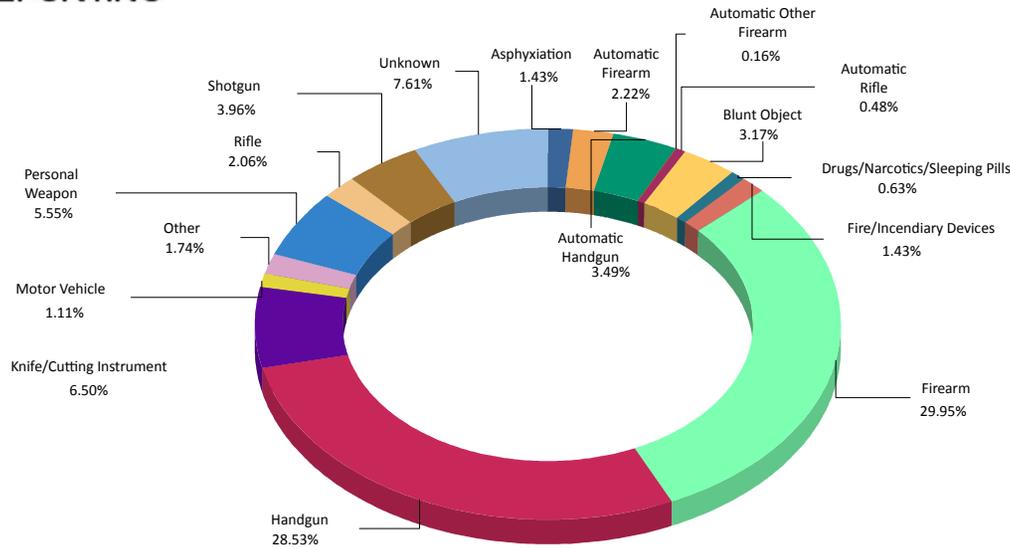
Circumstance of Murders



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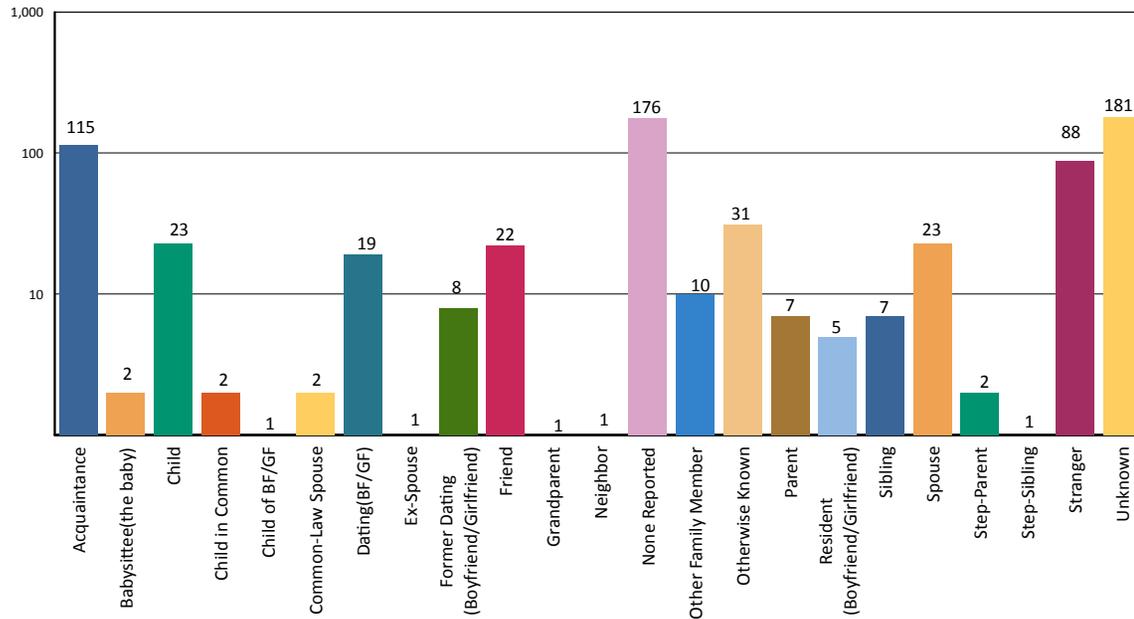
2013 MURDER NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER



Weapon Used Against Victim

Asphyxiation	9
Automatic Firearm	14
Automatic Handgun	22
Automatic Other Firearm	1
Automatic Rifle	3
Blunt Object	20
Drugs/Narcotics/Sleeping Pills	4
Fire/Incendiary Devices	9
Firearm	189
Handgun	180
Knife/Cutting Instrument	41
Motor Vehicle	7
Other	11
Personal Weapon	35
Rifle	13
Shotgun	25
Unknown	48
Total:	631

Victim to Offender Relationship



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Acquaintance	115	Neighbor	1
Babysittee (the baby)	2	None Reported	176
Child	23	Other Family Member	10
Child in Common	2	Otherwise Known	31
Child of Boyfriend or Girlfriend	1	Parent	7
Common Law Spouse	2	Resident BF/GF	5
Dating Boyfriend/Girlfriend	19	Sibling	7
Employer	0	Spouse	23
Ex-spouse	1	Step-parent	2
Former Dating BF/GF	8	Step-sibling	1
Friend	22	Stranger	88
Grandparent	1	Unknown	181
Total Relationships: 728			

VOR totals will not match the victim totals due to some incidents having multiple offenders but only one victim.

**2013 MURDER NON-NEGLIGENT
MANSLAUGHTER ARRESTS**



		Arrests By Age, Sex, and Race											Total
		FEMALE					MALE						
		Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	Unknown	White	Total	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	Unknown	White	Total	
Age Group													
TOTAL JUVENILES	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	3
TOTAL ADULTS	17	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	5	0	0	5	6
	18	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	7	0	5	13	15
	19	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	9	0	5	14	16
	20	0	2	0	2	4	0	0	18	0	1	19	23
	21	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	14	0	1	15	17
	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	1	11	11
	23	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	7	0	4	11	13
	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	3
	25-29	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	15	2	10	27	30
	30-34	1	6	0	2	9	0	1	19	0	6	26	35
	35-39	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	14	0	6	20	23
	40-44	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	13	0	3	16	19
	45-49	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	10	0	2	12	15
	50-54	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	8	0	5	13	15
	55-59	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	3	4
	60-64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	5	5
65 & Above	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	5	5	
Total	1	22	1	13	37	1	1	159	2	55	218	255	
Grand Total:	1	22	1	13	37	1	1	162	2	55	221	258	