



2017 Murder Non-Negligent Manslaughter



DEFINITION

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, 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 2017 was 567. This was a three percent decrease in murders from 2016 and a ten percent decrease from 2013. More persons were murdered during the months of January and August; while fewer murders occurred in the month of December. Murders occurred most often on Saturdays and least often on Thursdays.

CRIME RATE

The murder rate in 2017 was six murders for every 100,000 persons. The murder rate in 2016 was also six murders for every 100,000 persons.

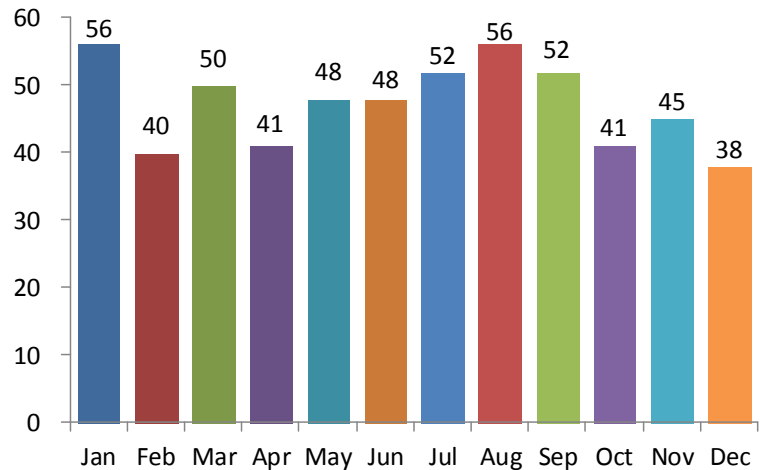
CLEARANCES

In 2017, forty-eight 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.

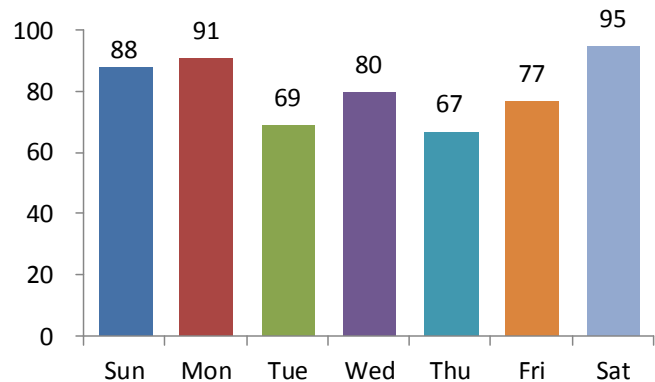
NATURE

Of the 567 murders, sixty-seven percent were committed by the use of a firearm (firearm, handgun, rifle, shotgun, and other firearm including automatics of these categories). Knife/Cutting Instrument was the weapon of choice in ten percent of the reported cases and Personal Weapon in five percent of the cases.

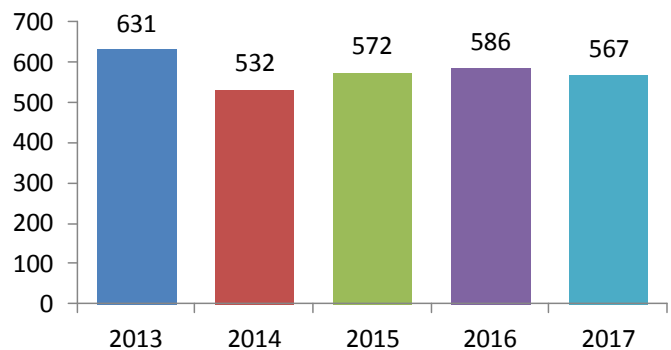
Victims by Month



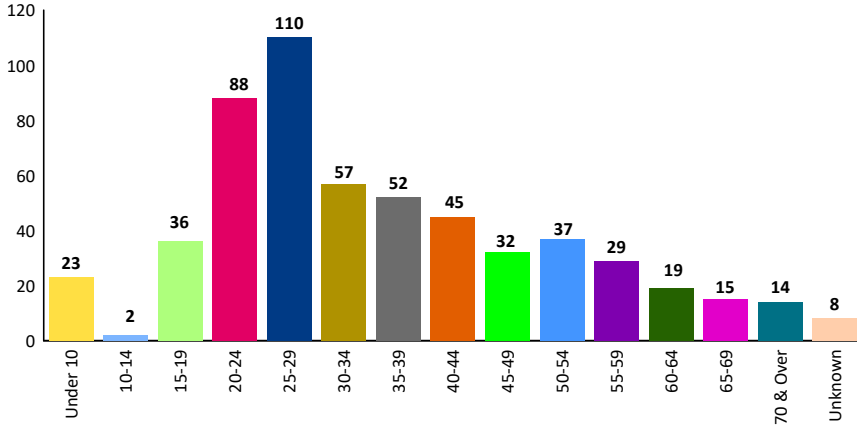
Victims by Day



5-Year Trend Number of Victims



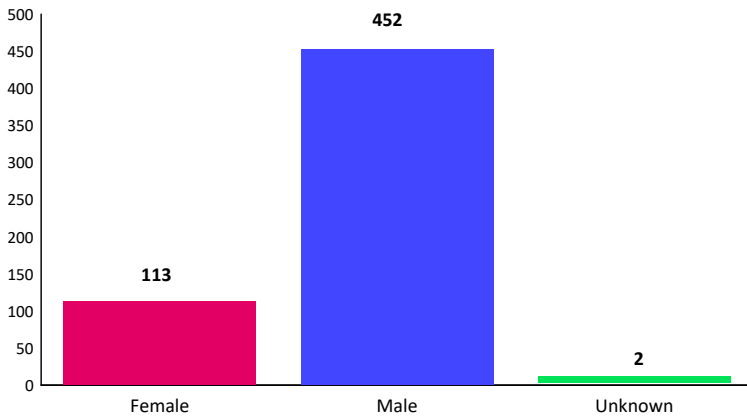
Age of Victims



Age Analysis

Nineteen percent of the victims were between the ages of 25 and 29. In 2016, this age group also reported nineteen percent of the victims.

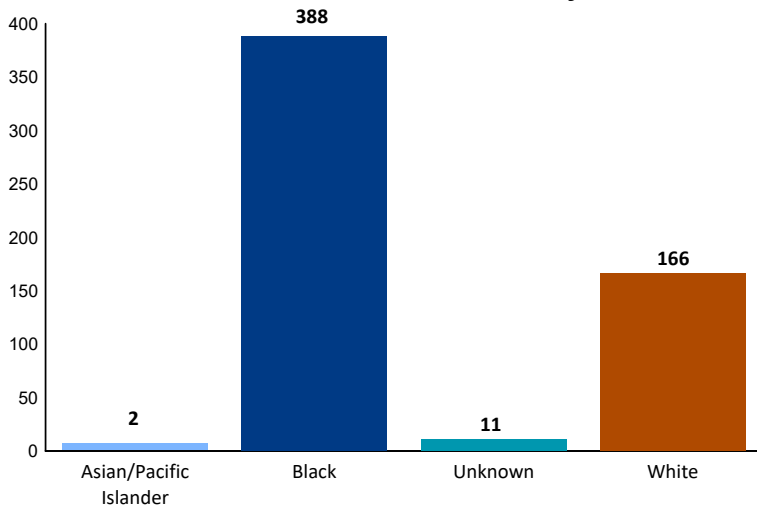
Gender of Victims



Gender Analysis

Forty-nine percent of the Female victims were Black and forty-seven percent were White. Seventeen percent of Female victims fell into the 20 - 24 age group.

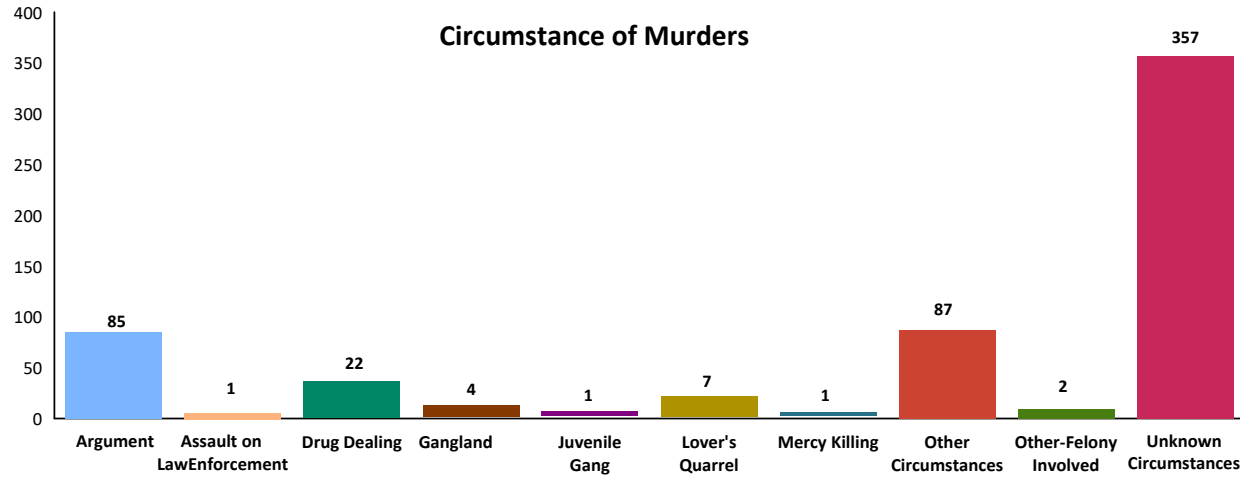
Race of Victims



Race Analysis

Seventy-four percent of the Male victims were Black and twenty-five percent were White. Twenty-one percent of Male victims fell into the 25 - 29 age group.

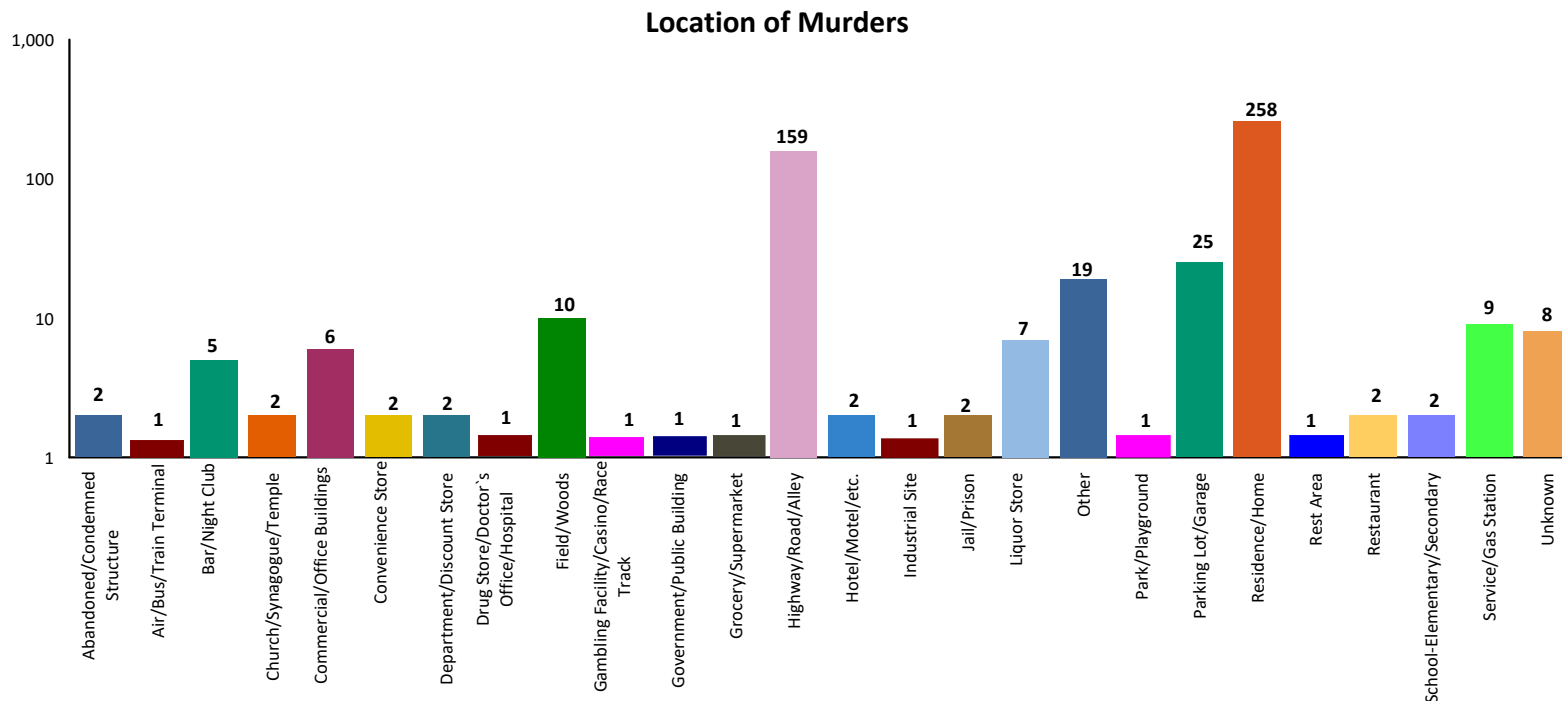
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Murder Circumstances

Victim circumstance is defined as someone who suffers ill consequences because of factors that were out of their control.

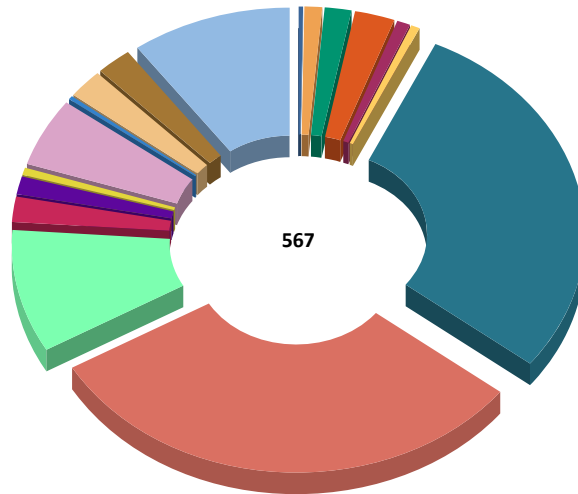
In 2017, sixty-three percent of the time the victim circumstance could not be determined. In sixteen percent of the cases for each category, it was determined that the murder occurred due to an Argument. In sixteen percent of the incidents reported, "Other Circumstances" were reported.



Location of Murders

Forty-nine percent of these incidents occurred in a Residence/Home. Thirty percent were reported to occur on a Highway/Road/Alley. Five percent of the murders occurred in a Parking Lot/Garage.

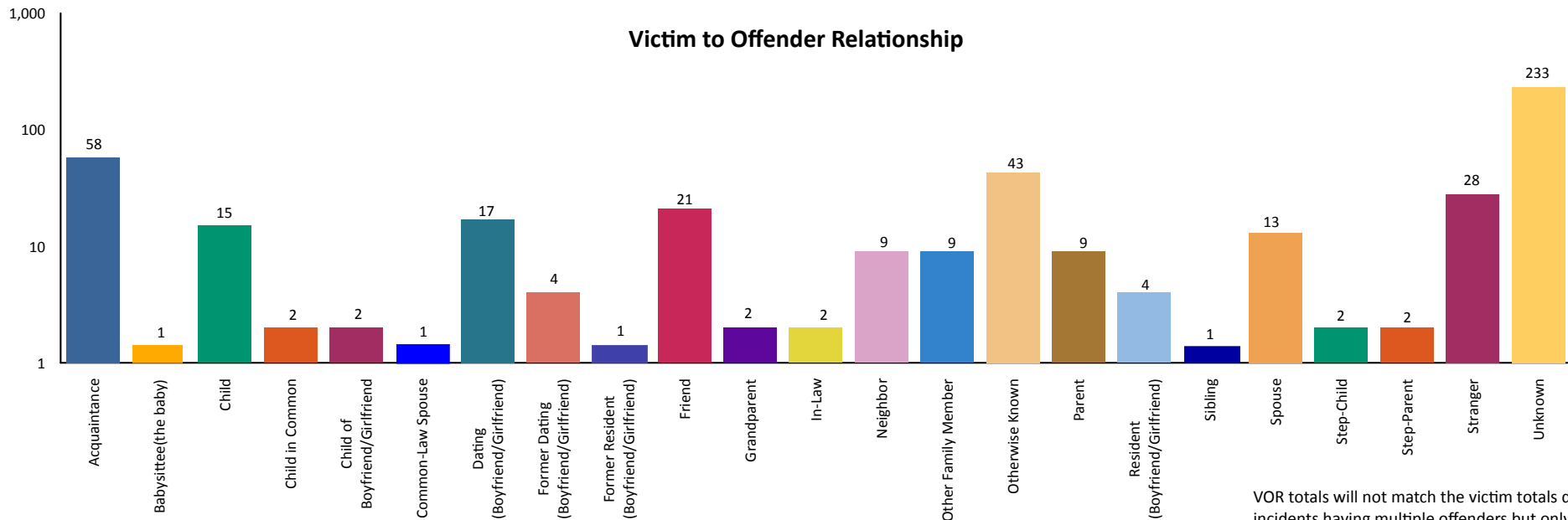
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Weapon Used Against Victim

Asphyxiation	2	0.35%
Automatic Firearm	6	1.06%
Automatic Handgun	9	1.59%
Blunt Object	14	2.47%
Drugs/Narcotics/Sleeping Pills	6	1.06%
Fire/Incendiary Devices	3	0.53%
Firearm	162	28.57%
Handgun	176	31.04%
Knife/Cutting Instrument	54	9.52%
Motor Vehicle	10	1.76%
Other	9	1.59%
Other Firearm	3	0.53%
Personal Weapon	30	5.29%
Poison	1	0.18%
Rifle	13	2.29%
Shotgun	12	2.12%
Unknown	57	10.05%
Total:	567	100.00%

Victim to Offender Relationship



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

2017 Murder Non-Negligent Manslaughter Arrests

		Arrests By Age, Sex, and Race									Grand Total
		FEMALE				MALE					
		Black	Unknown	White	Total	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Black	Unknown	White	Total	
Age Group	Black	Unknown	White	Total	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Black	Unknown	White	Total	Grand Total	
	Total Juveniles										
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	
16	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	6	6	
Total	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	7	7	
Total Adults											
17	0	0	1	1	0	4	0	4	8	9	
18	0	0	1	1	1	6	0	0	7	8	
19	0	0	1	1	0	16	0	0	16	17	
20	4	0	0	4	0	7	1	3	11	15	
21	3	0	1	4	0	4	1	2	7	11	
22	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	7	15	15	
23	2	0	0	2	0	16	0	6	22	24	
24	1	0	0	1	0	7	0	3	10	11	
25-29	12	0	5	17	0	21	3	13	37	54	
30-34	3	0	2	5	0	14	0	8	22	27	
35-39	2	0	0	2	0	13	0	4	17	19	
40-44	1	1	0	2	0	10	0	4	14	16	
45-49	2	0	2	4	0	10	0	2	12	16	
50-54	2	0	0	2	0	7	1	2	10	12	
55-59	1	0	2	3	0	6	0	2	8	11	
65 & Above	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	5	5	
Total	33	1	15	49	1	150	7	63	221	270	
Grand Total:	33	1	15	49	1	153	7	67	228	277	