



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 2018 was 550. This was a three percent decrease in murders from 2017 and a three percent increase from 2014. More persons were murdered during the month of August; while fewer murders occurred equally in the months of March and July. Murders occurred most often on Sundays and least often on Wednesdays.

CRIME RATE

The murder rate in 2018 was six murders for every 100,000 persons. The murder rate in 2017 was also six murders for every 100,000 persons.

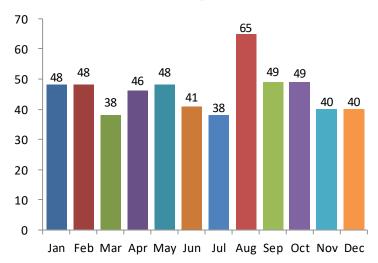
CLEARANCES

In 2018, fifty 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.

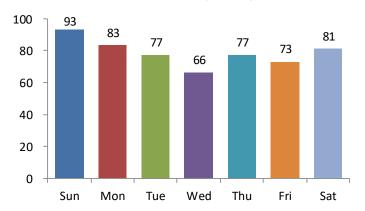
NATURE

Of the 550 murders, seventy-two 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 five percent of the reported cases and Personal Weapon in five percent of the cases.

Victims by Month

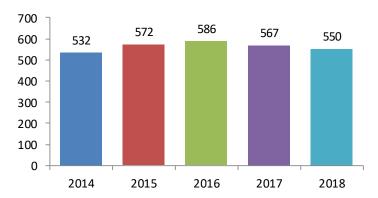


Victims by Day



5-Year Trend

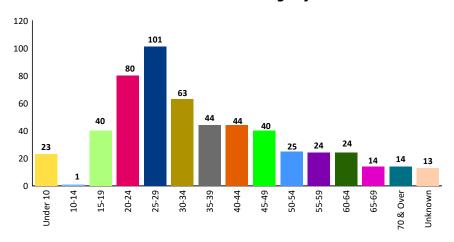
Number of Victims





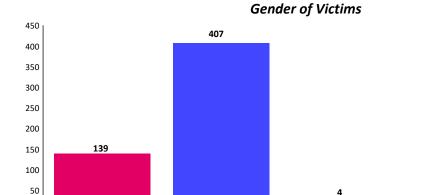


Age of Victims



Age Analysis

Eighteen percent of the victims were between the ages of 25 and 29. In 2017, this age group reported nineteen percent of the victims.



Male

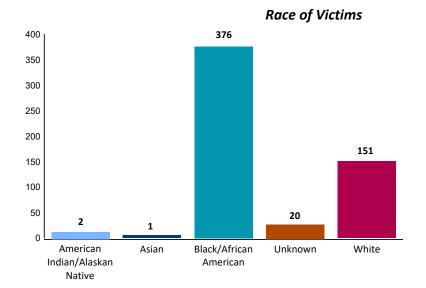
Unknown

Female

Gender Analysis

Forty-nine percent of the Female victims were Black/African American and forty-seven percent were White. Within the 407 Male victims, seventy-six percent were Black/African American and twenty-one percent were White.

Fourteen percent of Female victims and twenty percent of Male victims fell into the 25 - 29 age group.



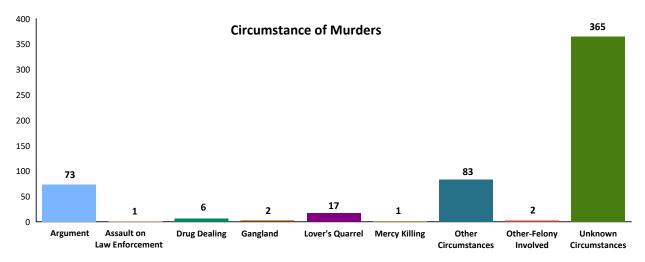
Race Analysis

Sixty-eight percent of the victims were Black/African American. And twenty-seven percent of the victims were White.

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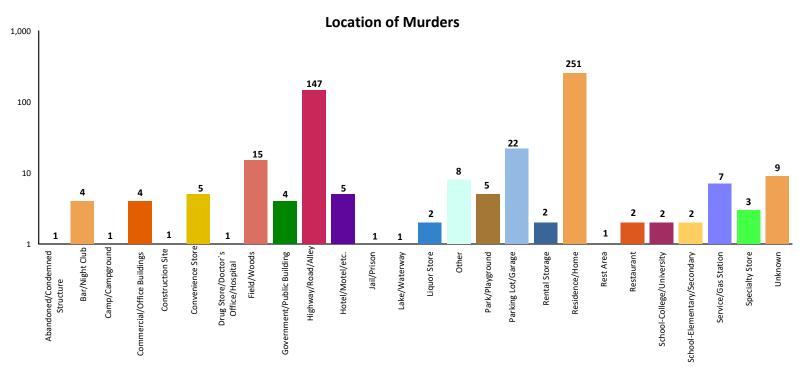




Murder Circumstances

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

In 2018, sixty-six percent of the time the victim circumstance could not be determined. In thirteen percent of the cases for each category, it was determined that the murder occurred due to an Argument. Fifteen percent of the incidents, "Other Circumstances" were reported.

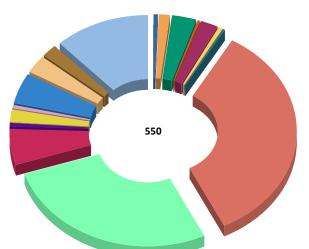


Location of Murders

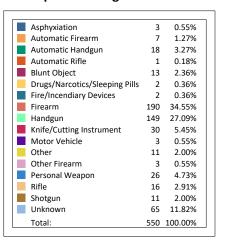
Fifty percent of these incidents occurred in a Residence/Home. Twenty-nine percent were reported to occur on a Highway/Road/Alley. Four percent of the murders occurred in a Parking Lot/Garage.



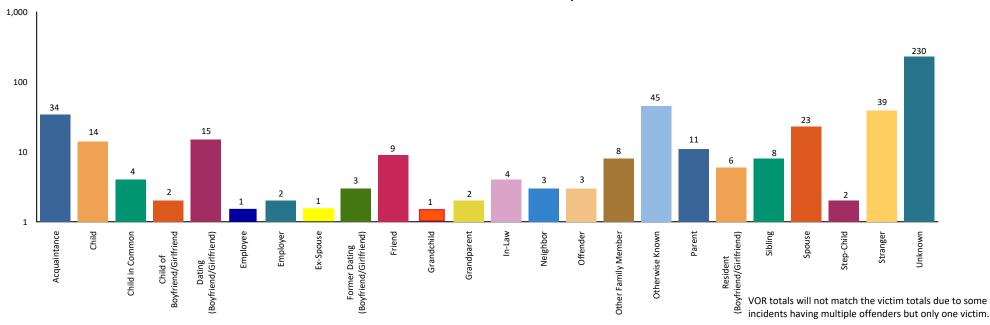




Weapon Used Against Victim



Victim to Offender Relationship



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2018 Murder Non-Negligent Manslaughter Arrests



		Arrests By Age, Sex, and Race										
		FEMALE					MALE					
	Age Group	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Black/African American	Unknown	White	Total	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Black/African American	Unknown	White	Total	Grand Total
Total Juveniles	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	3
Total Adults	17	0	1	0	0	1	0	7	0	1	8	9
	18	0	3	0	0	3	0	15	0	0	15	18
	19	0	3	0	0	3	0	7	0	1	8	11
	20	0	2	1	0	3	0	14	0	1	15	18
	21	0	0	0	1	1	0	10	0	1	11	12
	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	1	8	8
	23	0	3	0	2	5	0	5	0	5	10	15
	24	0	1	0	1	2	0	8	0	2	10	12
	25-29	0	9	0	1	10	0	49	1	11	61	71
	30-34	0	2	0	2	4	0	20	0	9	29	33
	35-39	0	3	0	4	7	1	19	0	5	25	32
	40-44	0	1	0	0	1	0	11	0	3	14	15
	45-49	0	1	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	7	8
	50-54	1	2	0	2	5	0	5	1	1	7	12
	55-59	0	0	0	3	3	0	10	0	4	14	17
	60-64	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	3
	65 & Above	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	5	5
	Total	1	31	1	16	49	1	198	3	48	250	299
Grand Total:		1	31	1	16	49	1	201	3	48	253	302

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