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Expanded Homicide Data Table 8

Murder Victims

by Weapon, 2014–2018

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Weapons	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Total	12,278	13,780	15,318	15,195	14,123
Total firearms:	7,803	9,103	10,372	11,006	10,265
Handguns	5,342	6,176	6,762	7,051	6,603
Rifles	235	215	300	390	297
Shotguns	238	247	247	264	235
Other guns	88	151	172	180	167
Firearms, type not stated	1,900	2,314	2,891	3,121	2,963
Knives or cutting instruments	1,545	1,525	1,558	1,609	1,515
Blunt objects (clubs, hammers, etc.)	431	436	464	472	443
Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) ¹	668	647	664	710	672
Poison	9	8	12	15	5
Explosives	6	1	1	0	4
Fire	55	63	78	96	72
Narcotics	70	69	118	110	78
Drowning	12	12	9	8	9
Strangulation	84	96	97	89	70
Asphyxiation	93	105	92	111	90
Other weapons or weapons not stated	1,502	1,715	1,853	969	900

- ¹ Pushed is included in personal weapons.
- NOTE: The Uniform Crime Reporting Technical Refresh enables updating of prior years' crime data; therefore, data presented in this table may not match previously published data.

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