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Murder Victims

by Weapon, 2015–2019

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Weapons	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	13,847	15,355	15,206	14,446	13,927
Total firearms:	9,143	10,398	11,014	10,445	10,258
Handguns	6,194	6,778	7,052	6,683	6,368
Rifles	215	300	389	305	364
Shotguns	248	247	263	237	200
Other guns	152	172	178	164	45
Firearms, type not stated	2,334	2,901	3,132	3,056	3,281
Knives or cutting instruments	1,533	1,562	1,608	1,542	1,476
Blunt objects (clubs, hammers, etc.)	438	466	474	455	397
Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) ¹	651	668	715	712	600
Poison	8	12	15	6	16
Explosives	1	1	0	4	3
Fire	63	78	93	76	81
Narcotics	70	119	112	102	93
Drowning	12	9	8	9	7
Strangulation	96	97	90	75	64
Asphyxiation	105	93	112	92	92
Other weapons or weapons not stated	1,727	1,852	965	928	840

■ 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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