

Table 3.158

Persons identified in the killing of law enforcement officers

By demographic characteristics and prior record, United States, 1986-95 (aggregate) and 1995

Characteristics of persons identified	1986 to 1995		1995	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	938	100%	90	100%
Age				
Under age 18	108	12	16	18
18 to 29 years	485	52	41	46
Sex				
Male	903	96	83	92
Female	35	4	7	8
Race				
White	512	55	50	56
Black	397	42	36	40
Other ^a	23	2	4	4
Prior record				
Prior criminal arrest	645	69	62	69
Convicted on prior criminal charges	534	57	38	42
Prior arrest for crime of violence	362	39	43	48
On parole or probation at time of killing	197	21	16	18
Prior arrest on murder charge	41	4	1	1
Prior arrest on drug law violation	247	26	34	38
Prior arrest for assaulting an officer or resisting arrest	135	14	20	22
Prior arrest for weapons violation	344	37	28	31

Note: See Note, table 3.154. Percents do not add to 100 in the age category because all ages are not represented in the table. Data on race were not reported for two incidents in each of the years 1990, 1991, and 1994. Offenders may fall in multiple categories for prior record.

^aIncludes Asian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, and Alaskan Native.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 1995*, FBI Uniform Crime Reports (Washington, DC: USGPO, 1997), p. 36. Table constructed by SOURCEBOOK staff.