

Table 327. Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted: 1990 to 2008

[Contains statistics on felonious and accidental deaths of duly sworn local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement officers. For composition of regions, see map, inside front cover]

Item	1990	1995	2000	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
OFFICERS KILLED									
Total killed	132	133	134	133	139	122	114	141	109
Geographical region:									
Northeast	13	16	13	13	18	12	12	13	14
Midwest	20	19	32	20	25	23	20	20	14
South	68	63	67	66	66	58	48	78	52
West	23	32	19	31	24	24	31	28	26
Puerto Rico	8	2	3	3	5	5	3	1	2
Island Areas, foreign countries	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	1
Total feloniously killed	65	74	51	52	57	55	48	58	41
Firearms	56	63	47	45	54	50	46	56	35
Handgun	47	44	33	34	36	42	36	39	25
Rifle	8	14	10	10	13	3	8	8	6
Shotgun	1	5	4	1	5	5	2	8	4
Type of firearm not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Blunt instrument	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Bomb	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Knife/cutting instrument	3	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Personal weapons ¹	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vehicle	1	2	3	6	2	5	2	2	4
Other	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total accidentally killed	67	59	83	81	82	67	66	83	68
OFFICERS ASSAULTED									
Population covered (1,000) ²	197,426	191,759	204,599	225,770	226,273	222,874	227,361	234,734	226,611
Number of—									
Reporting agencies	9,343	8,503	8,940	10,539	10,589	10,119	10,596	10,973	10,110
Officers employed	410,131	428,379	452,531	501,738	501,462	489,393	504,147	523,944	518,120
Total assaulted	72,091	57,762	58,398	58,600	59,692	57,820	59,396	61,257	58,792
Firearm	3,651	2,354	1,749	1,879	2,114	2,157	2,290	2,216	2,244
Knife/cutting instrument	1,647	1,356	1,015	1,084	1,123	1,059	1,055	1,028	935
Other dangerous weapon	7,423	6,414	8,132	8,180	8,645	8,379	8,611	8,692	8,161
Personal weapons ¹	59,370	47,638	47,502	47,457	47,810	46,225	47,440	49,321	47,452

— Represents zero. ¹ Includes hands, fists, feet, etc. ² Represents the number of persons covered by agencies shown.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, "Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted," annual, <<http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/killed/2008/index.html>>.

Table 328. U.S. Supreme Court—Cases Filed and Disposition: 1980 to 2009

[Statutory term of court begins first Monday in October]

Action	1980	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total cases on docket	5,144	6,316	7,565	8,965	9,608	10,256	9,602	8,966	9,302
Appellate cases on docket	2,749	2,351	2,456	2,305	2,025	2,069	1,969	1,941	1,908
From prior term	527	365	361	351	354	346	355	345	328
Docketed during present term	2,222	1,986	2,095	1,954	1,671	1,723	1,614	1,596	1,580
Cases acted upon	2,324	2,042	2,130	2,024	1,703	1,736	1,666	1,654	1,607
Granted review	167	114	92	85	63	62	85	78	69
Denied, dismissed, or withdrawn	1,999	1,802	1,945	1,842	1,554	1,611	1,529	1,505	1,452
Summarily decided	90	81	62	63	46	39	30	29	45
Cases not acted upon	425	309	326	281	322	333	303	287	301
Pauper cases on docket	2,371	3,951	5,098	6,651	7,575	8,181	7,628	7,021	7,388
Cases acted upon ¹	2,027	3,436	4,514	5,736	6,533	7,186	6,753	6,214	6,524
Granted review	17	27	13	14	15	15	10	9	8
Denied, dismissed, or withdrawn	1,968	3,369	4,439	5,658	6,459	6,925	6,562	6,136	6,465
Summarily decided	32	28	55	61	58	239	175	65	46
Cases not acted upon	344	515	584	915	1,042	995	875	807	864
Original cases on docket	24	14	11	9	8	6	5	4	6
Cases disposed of during term	7	3	5	2	4	1	1	1	2
Total cases available for argument	264	201	145	138	122	108	125	136	125
Cases disposed of	162	131	93	89	87	80	78	88	86
Cases argued	154	125	90	86	88	78	75	87	82
Cases dismissed or remanded without argument	8	6	3	3	1	2	3	1	4
Cases remaining	102	70	52	49	31	28	47	48	40
Cases decided by signed opinion	144	121	87	83	82	74	72	83	77
Cases decided by per curiam opinion	8	4	3	4	5	4	2	3	4
Number of signed opinions	123	112	75	77	69	67	67	74	73

¹ Includes cases granted review and carried over to next term, not shown separately.

Source: Office of the Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, unpublished data.