

Table 3.161

**Law enforcement officers assaulted**

By circumstances at scene of incident and type of weapon, United States, 1995<sup>a</sup>

Circumstances at scene of incident	Total	Type of weapon			
		Firearm	Knife or cutting instrument	Other dangerous weapon	Personal weapon
Total	56,686	2,238	1,301	6,299	46,848
Percent of total	100%	3.9	2.3	11.1	82.6
Disturbance calls (family quarrels, man with gun, etc.)	18,709	719	637	1,488	15,865
Percent	100%	3.8	3.4	8.0	84.8
Burglaries in progress or pursuing burglary suspects	710	42	23	150	495
Percent	100%	5.9	3.2	21.1	69.7
Robberies in progress or pursuing robbery suspects	611	148	10	127	326
Percent	100%	24.2	1.6	20.8	53.4
Attempting other arrests	10,023	256	167	869	8,731
Percent	100%	2.6	1.7	8.7	87.1
Civil disorders (mass disobedience, riot, etc.)	661	13	28	103	517
Percent	100%	2.0	4.2	15.6	78.2
Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	6,628	32	50	362	6,184
Percent	100%	0.5	0.8	5.5	93.3
Investigating suspicious persons and circumstances	6,063	337	128	719	4,879
Percent	100%	5.6	2.1	11.9	80.5
Ambush (no warning)	243	97	4	49	93
Percent	100%	39.9	1.6	20.2	38.3
Mentally deranged	773	42	65	89	577
Percent	100%	5.4	8.4	11.5	74.6
Traffic pursuits and stops	5,761	251	58	1,488	3,964
Percent	100%	4.4	1.0	25.8	68.8
All other	6,504	301	131	855	5,217
Percent	100%	4.6	2.0	13.1	80.2

Note: These data are based on 8,938 agencies reporting assaults to the Uniform Crime Reporting Program for all 12 months of 1995. These agencies cover approximately 74% of the total population. (Source, p. 65.)

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. 69.

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to 100 because of rounding.