

TABLE 28
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1997
 Contributing Circumstance by Relationship of Victim to Offender

Relationship of victim to offender	Total	Rape	Robbery, burglary	Argument ¹	Gang-, drug- related	Child abuse	All other	Unknown
Number								
Total including unknown.....	2,579	12	228	928	704	72	211	424
Unknown.....	859	3	56	72	263	1	82	382
Total known.....	1,720	9	172	856	441	71	129	42
Friend, acquaintance ²	869	2	33	487	287	11	44	5
Spouse ³	89	1	0	77	0	0	11	0
Parent, child ⁴	114	0	1	36	0	55	22	0
All other relatives.....	46	0	1	38	0	5	1	1
Stranger.....	602	6	137	218	154	0	51	36
Percent based on total known								
Total known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Friend, acquaintance ²	50.5	-	19.2	56.9	65.1	15.5	34.1	11.9
Spouse ³	5.2	-	.0	9.0	.0	.0	8.5	.0
Parent, child ⁴	6.6	-	.6	4.2	.0	77.5	17.1	.0
All other relatives.....	2.7	-	.6	4.4	.0	7.0	.8	2.4
Stranger.....	35.0	-	79.7	25.5	34.9	.0	39.5	85.7

Notes: Percentages may not add to subtotals or 100.0 because of independent rounding.
 Dash indicates that percent distributions are not calculated when the base number is less than 50.
¹ Includes domestic violence.
² Includes ex-husband, ex-wife, employer, employee, gang member, etc.
³ Includes "common-law" marriage partner.
⁴ Includes stepmother, stepfather, stepdaughter, and stepson.