

Table 103. Personal crimes, 1996:



Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police, by race of victims and type of crime

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
White							
All personal crimes	100 %	14.5 %	19.3 %	18.3 %	6.1 %	0.1 %*	0.6 %
Crimes of violence	100	14.1	20.0	18.2	6.1	0.1 *	0.3 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	14.1	14.8	8.5 *	5.0 *	0.0 *	1.3 *
Robbery	100	8.8	8.7	18.4	4.1 *	0.0 *	0.5 *
Assault	100	14.7	21.5	18.7	6.4	0.1 *	0.3 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	23.3	1.8 *	19.0	4.8 *	2.4 *	8.0 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	18.0 %	18.4 %	16.2 %	4.0 %	0.0 %*	1.1 %*
Crimes of violence	100	18.1	19.2	15.6	4.2	0.0 *	0.5 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	5.9 *	21.3 *	6.5 *	5.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	10.5 *	8.8 *	9.1 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	20.8	21.4	17.9	4.5	0.0 *	0.6 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	16.7 *	0.0 *	29.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	14.8 *

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.6 %	3.6 %	5.3 %	2.8 %	4.0 %	2.7 %	22.1 %
Crimes of violence	0.5	3.2	5.4	2.8	4.2	2.6	22.5
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.4 *	5.6 *	3.6 *	12.4	0.0 *	33.4
Robbery	5.0 *	9.0	8.0	5.3 *	6.0	2.4 *	23.5
Assault	0.1 *	2.6	5.1	2.5	3.6	2.8	21.8
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	2.2 *	14.8	3.5 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	4.4 *	13.5
Black							
All personal crimes	1.9 %*	6.4 %	3.4 %	4.0 %	3.8 %	4.2 %	18.6 %
Crimes of violence	2.0 *	6.5	3.6	4.2	3.9	4.1	18.2
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	15.4 *	9.8 *	36.0 *
Robbery	11.2 *	16.3 *	8.3 *	10.4 *	0.0 *	2.4 *	20.6
Assault	0.0 *	4.7	2.8 *	3.1 *	3.9 *	4.0 *	16.2
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	5.6 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	6.5 *	27.2 *

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.
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White							
All personal crimes	100 %	14.8 %	20.4 %	16.2 %	6.1 %	0.0 %*	0.6 %
Crimes of violence	100	14.9	21.1	15.9	6.3	0.0 *	0.4 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	3.3 *	30.7	8.7 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	7.4 *	11.0	17.1	3.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	16.1	21.4	16.1	6.8	0.0 *	0.5 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	13.0 *	3.1 *	24.5	0.0 *	0.0 *	5.9 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	12.8 %	14.6 %	16.6 %	5.1 %	0.4 %*	0.4 %*
Crimes of violence	100	12.8	16.2	15.4	5.7	0.0 *	0.5 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	0.0 *	21.0 *	7.7 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	8.8 *	8.8 *	5.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	14.8	18.2	19.0	7.8	0.0 *	0.6 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	13.2 *	0.0 *	28.1 *	0.0 *	3.9 *	0.0 *

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.5 %	3.8 %	4.7 %	2.7 %	4.0 %	2.5 %	23.7 %
Crimes of violence	0.1 *	3.4	4.7	2.7	4.2	2.5	23.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	4.5 *	4.7 *	6.9 *	16.5	1.1 *	22.5
Robbery	1.2 *	7.9 *	5.3 *	6.3 *	7.7 *	7.4 *	24.7
Assault	0.0 *	3.0	4.6	2.2	3.3	2.2	23.9
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	9.1 *	14.9	4.5 *	3.4 *	0.0 *	1.9 *	19.6
Black							
All personal crimes	1.3 %*	7.4 %	5.8 %	4.6 %	7.3 %	2.9 %*	20.7 %
Crimes of violence	1.4 *	5.7	5.7	4.2	8.0	2.1 *	22.3
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	41.0 *	0.0 *	30.3 *
Robbery	6.3 *	14.9 *	9.8 *	11.2 *	9.2 *	1.9 *	23.9
Assault	0.0 *	3.3 *	4.9	2.3 *	5.6	2.3 *	21.3
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	23.4 *	6.9 *	8.1 *	0.0 *	10.8 *	5.6 *

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White							
All personal crimes	100 %	15.2 %	20.5 %	16.7 %	7.7 %	0.1 %*	0.3 %
Crimes of violence	100 %	15.1	21.2	16.5	7.8	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100 %	22.2	11.9 *	7.7 *	3.0 *	0.0 *	1.1 *
Robbery	100 %	8.9	15.4	16.4	3.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100 %	15.3	22.4	17.0	8.5	0.0 *	0.1 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100 %	17.1	3.9 *	21.1	3.8 *	1.3 *	4.0 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	13.6 %	19.1 %	15.0 %	5.7 %	0.3 %	0.4 %
Crimes of violence	100 %	13.2	18.5	15.3	6.1	0.4 *	0.0 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100 %	0.0 *	16.4 *	7.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100 %	4.5 *	26.2 *	10.1 *	6.6 *	4.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100 %	15.4	17.9	16.6	6.6	0.0 *	0.0 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100 %	18.8 *	28.4 *	9.6 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.2 *

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	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.6 %	3.8 %	5.5 %	2.5 %	4.5 %	3.6 %	19.1 %
Crimes of violence	0.5 *	3.3	5.4	2.5	4.7	3.4	19.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	3.5 *	13.3 *	0.0 *	36.0
Robbery	4.5 *	11.4	7.2 *	4.9 *	4.5 *	8.7	14.2
Assault	0.1 *	2.7	5.5	2.2	4.2	3.0	19.0
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	4.0 *	13.7 *	8.3 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	9.1 *	11.3 *
Black							
All personal crimes	0.3 %	6.5 %	5.7 %	3.3 %*	1.4 %	2.4 %*	26.1 %
Crimes of violence	0.4 *	6.5	6.0	3.6 *	1.5 *	2.1 *	26.4
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	76.1
Robbery	4.0 *	27.8 *	4.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	5.4 *	7.4 *
Assault	0.0 *	4.7 *	6.8	4.3 *	1.8 *	1.9 *	24.1
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	6.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.5 *	22.5 *

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 a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.

Table 103. Personal crimes, 1999:

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Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police, by race of victims and type of crime

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
White							
All personal crimes	100 %	16.3 %	19.8 %	17.1 %	6.0 %	0.0 %*	0.3 %*
Crimes of violence	100	16.1	20.4	17.1	6.1	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	4.6 *	42.2	1.8 *	2.2 *	0.0 *	1.4 *
Robbery	100	9.6 *	9.2 *	17.6	1.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	17.5	19.7	18.2	6.8	0.0 *	0.1 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	22.7	4.8 *	14.9 *	2.0 *	0.0 *	5.0 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	20.3 %	15.6 %	17.9 %	6.9 %	0.0 %*	0.9 %*
Crimes of violence	100	20.0	16.2	17.9	7.2	0.0 *	0.5 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	0.0 *	39.6 *	6.3 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	10.5 *	5.1 *	30.5	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	24.6	16.1	16.2	9.7	0.0 *	0.7 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100 *	26.5 *	0.0 *	18.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	11.5 *

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.4 %*	4.4 %	6.0 %	3.1 %	3.4 %	3.5 %	19.8 %
Crimes of violence	0.2 *	4.2	5.8	3.1	3.5	3.4	19.7
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	3.4 *	3.8 *	0.0 *	11.2 *	3.5 *	26.0
Robbery	3.4 *	11.7	13.2	9.5 *	5.9 *	5.9 *	12.1
Assault	0.0 *	3.6	5.4	2.8	2.8	3.2	19.9
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	4.3 *	9.1 *	9.9 *	1.6 *	0.0 *	5.3 *	20.4 *
Black							
All personal crimes	0.4 %*	2.7 %*	4.5 %	3.2 %*	4.9 %	1.4 %*	21.4 %
Crimes of violence	0.4 *	2.1 *	4.7	3.3 *	5.1	1.4 *	21.2
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	14.9 *	0.0 *	39.2 *
Robbery	2.4 *	7.3 *	9.8 *	9.0 *	3.2 *	6.2 *	16.0 *
Assault	0.0 *	1.2 *	4.0 *	2.3 *	4.5 *	0.5 *	20.3
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	16.3 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	27.5 *

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	Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
White							
All personal crimes	100 %	16.2 %	18.3 %	16.6 %	5.1 %	0.1 %*	0.6 %*
Crimes of violence	100	16.2	19.2	16.3	5.3	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	3.5 *	22.3	1.7 *	2.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	4.7 *	10.1	17.0	3.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	18.0	20.1	16.9	5.7	0.0 *	0.2 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	16.9	2.0 *	22.6	1.7 *	1.2 *	8.7 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	11.1 %	17.3 %	16.2 %	7.6 %	0.0 %*	0.8 %*
Crimes of violence	100	9.4	18.1	16.9	8.2	0.0 *	0.9 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100 *	0.0 *	26.5 *	13.3 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	2.2 *	4.5 *	14.9 *	3.2 *	0.0 *	4.1 *
Assault	100	11.9	21.7	17.6	10.0	0.0 *	0.0 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	31.6 *	7.4 *	7.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.6 %*	4.8 %	5.2 %	3.9 %	4.8 %	3.0 %	20.9 %
Crimes of violence	0.2 *	4.3	5.1	3.8	4.9	3.0	21.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	4.9 *	8.0 *	4.4 *	8.3 *	3.6 *	41.0
Robbery	2.1 *	12.5	10.2	10.4	6.4 *	3.3 *	20.1
Assault	0.0 *	3.3	4.4	3.0	4.6	3.0	20.8
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	7.4 *	14.4 *	7.5 *	5.1 *	1.7 *	2.5 *	8.3 *
Black							
All personal crimes	0.8 %*	4.5 %	2.7 %*	5.9 %	5.4 %	4.1 %	23.5 %
Crimes of violence	0.9 *	3.5 *	2.4 *	6.4	5.9	3.9 *	23.6
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	11.1 *	0.0 *	23.4 *	25.8 *
Robbery	4.1 *	10.3 *	2.9 *	14.4 *	8.8 *	0.0 *	30.6
Assault	0.0 *	1.7 *	2.4 *	3.9 *	5.3 *	4.1 *	21.4
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	16.5 *	5.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	7.4 *	23.3 *

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	Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
White							
All personal crimes	100 %	15.0 %	20.3 %	16.3 %	5.4 %	0.0 %*	0.4 %*
Crimes of violence	100	14.9	20.9	16.6	5.3	0.0 *	0.3 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100	5.6 *	31.9	7.1 *	5.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	3.7 *	10.9 *	19.5	3.5 *	0.0 *	2.4 *
Assault	100	16.6	21.4	16.8	5.5	0.0 *	0.1 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100	16.5 *	4.1 *	10.6 *	8.6 *	0.0 *	2.4 *
Black							
All personal crimes	100 %	13.9 %	17.0 %	12.9 %	6.3 %*	0.0 %*	0.0 %*
Crimes of violence	100	14.3	17.5	12.5	6.5 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	100 *	14.6 *	23.0 *	0.0 *	12.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	100	15.4 *	0.0 *	15.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	100	14.2	19.6	13.1	7.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	100 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	24.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *

Race and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
White							
All personal crimes	0.5 %*	4.4 %	5.5 %	2.9 %	4.7 %	3.6 %	21.0 %
Crimes of violence	0.3 *	3.8	5.4	3.0	4.9	3.7	20.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	3.7 *	0.0 *	3.9 *	8.1 *	1.8 *	32.6
Robbery	1.2 *	10.8 *	2.1 *	9.5 *	7.6 *	7.5 *	21.3
Assault	0.3 *	3.1	6.0	2.2	4.4	3.4	20.3
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	4.6 *	18.4 *	8.0 *	2.7 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	24.1 *
Black							
All personal crimes	0.0 %*	7.5 %	4.2 %*	2.2 %*	5.1 %*	4.1 %*	26.8 %
Crimes of violence	0.0 *	6.8	4.4 *	1.3 *	5.3 *	4.2 *	27.1
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	11.9 *	14.8 *	23.6 *
Robbery	0.0 *	35.8 *	20.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	13.5 *
Assault	0.0 *	3.3 *	2.5 *	1.6 *	5.5 *	4.0 *	29.2
Purse snatching/ Pocket picking	0.0 *	29.3 *	0.0 *	27.7 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	18.8 *

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