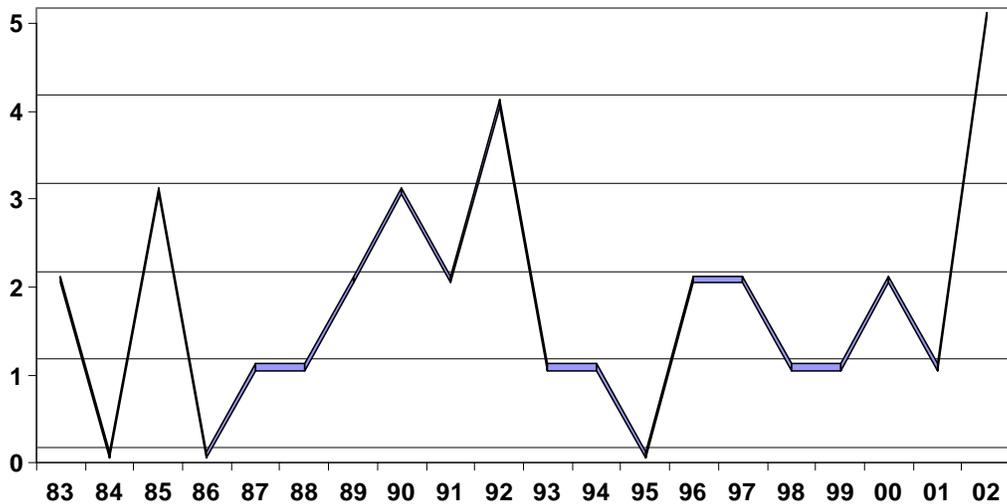


**SOUTH CAROLINA
LAW
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS
KILLED**

OFFICERS KILLED S. C. POLICE OFFICERS KILLED BY YEAR



83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	00	01	02
2	0	3	0	1	1	2	3	2	4	1	1	0	2	2	1	1	2	1	5

2002 SUMMARY

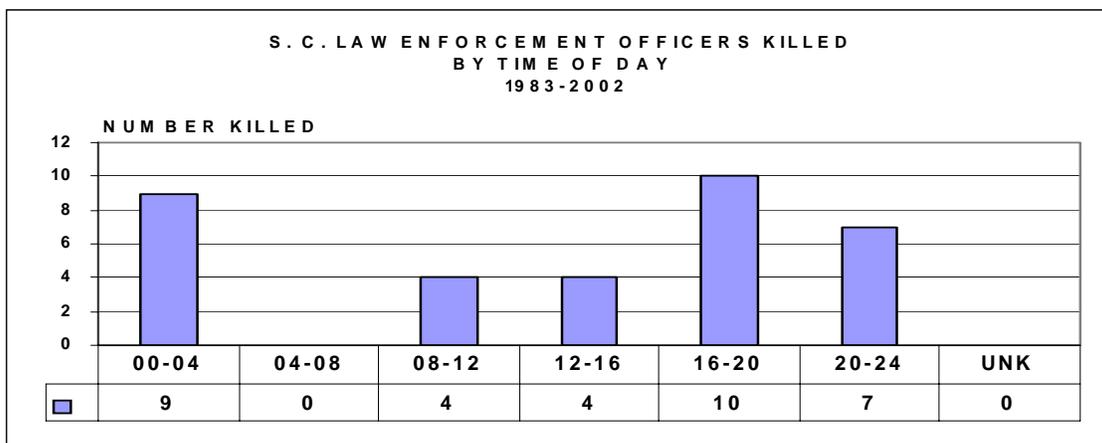
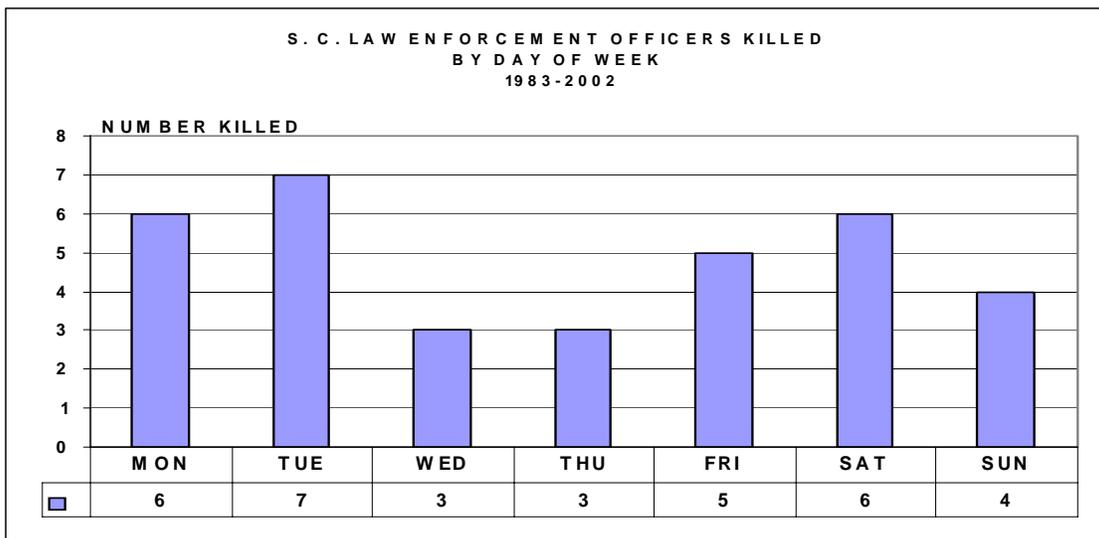
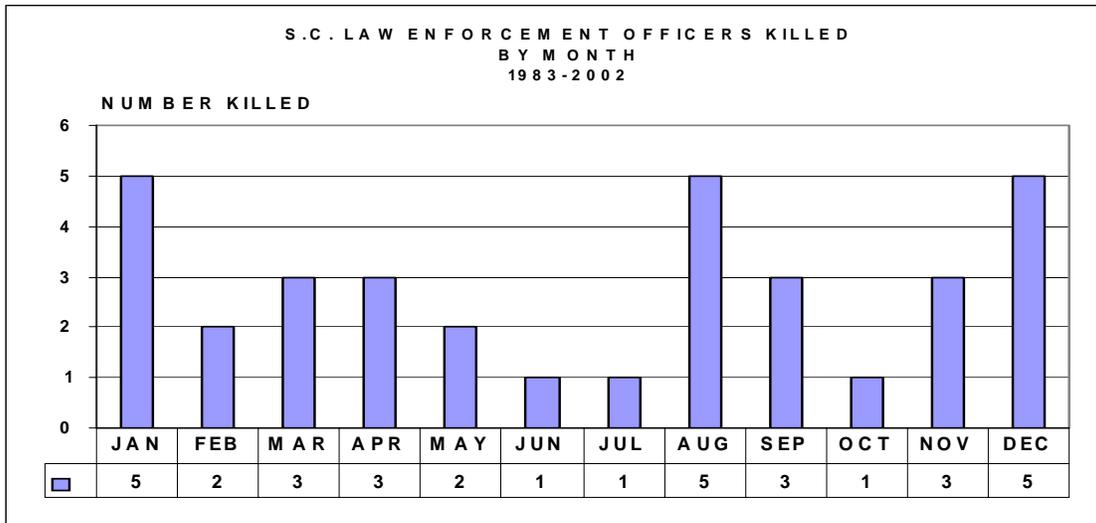
During 2002, five South Carolina police officers were murdered in the line of duty.

On Tuesday, January 8, 2002, 37 year old Corporal Dyke "A.J." Coursen and 45 year old Lance Corporal Dana Lyle Tate with the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office were shot and killed as they entered a mobile home in response to a domestic disturbance call. The suspect apparently ambushed the officers, once they were inside. Corporal Coursen and Lance Corporal Tate had eleven and ten years of law enforcement experience, respectively.

On Saturday, January 19, 2002, 38 year old Charleston City Police Department Private First Class Dennis Elisha LaPage was shot and killed while working an off-duty assignment at a local college dorm, by a fleeing suspect who was involved in a traffic accident where he had just fatally shot an EMT and severely injured another who went to the accident scene to assist. He had more than six years of law enforcement experience.

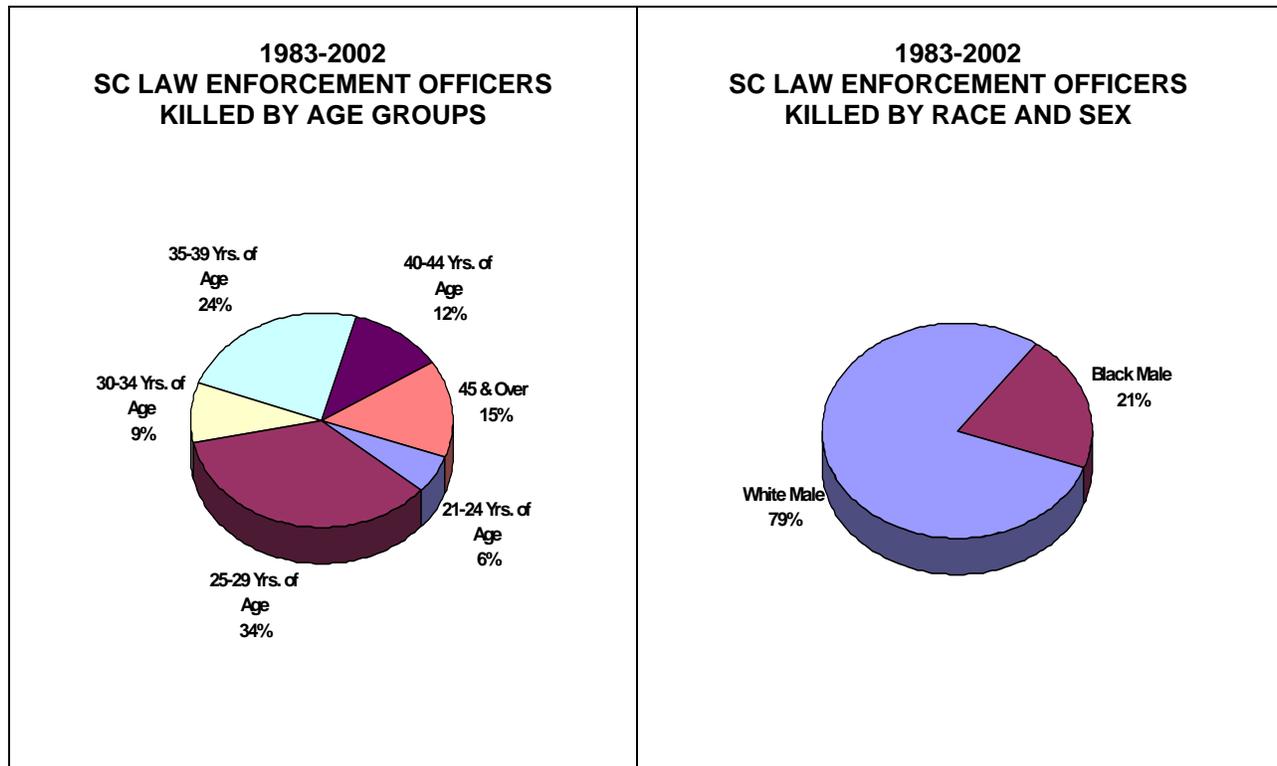
On Sunday, July 7, 2002, 38 year old South Carolina State Trooper Corporal Kenneth J. Johnston was shot and killed in Berkeley County. Trooper Johnston was supervising a road Safety Checkpoint which included three other SCHP Troopers. The suspect vehicle approached the checkpoint and stopped while the female driver presented her identification. Corporal Johnston approached the male passenger from the right side, when the passenger shot him. Trooper Johnston had over twelve years of law enforcement experience.

On Sunday, December 29, 2002, 28 year old Myrtle Beach Police Department Patrolman First Class Joseph J. McGarry, Jr. on-duty in his marked police vehicle, stopped at an all night eatery to get coffee. Another on-duty officer Mike Guthinger stopped at the same time. They observed a person outside in the parking lot whom McGarry knew to be the suspect in a recent homicide. The two officers approached the suspect to "pat him down" for weapons. The suspect, who had his back to the officers, suddenly turned around, produced a handgun and fired two shots killing Officer McGarry.



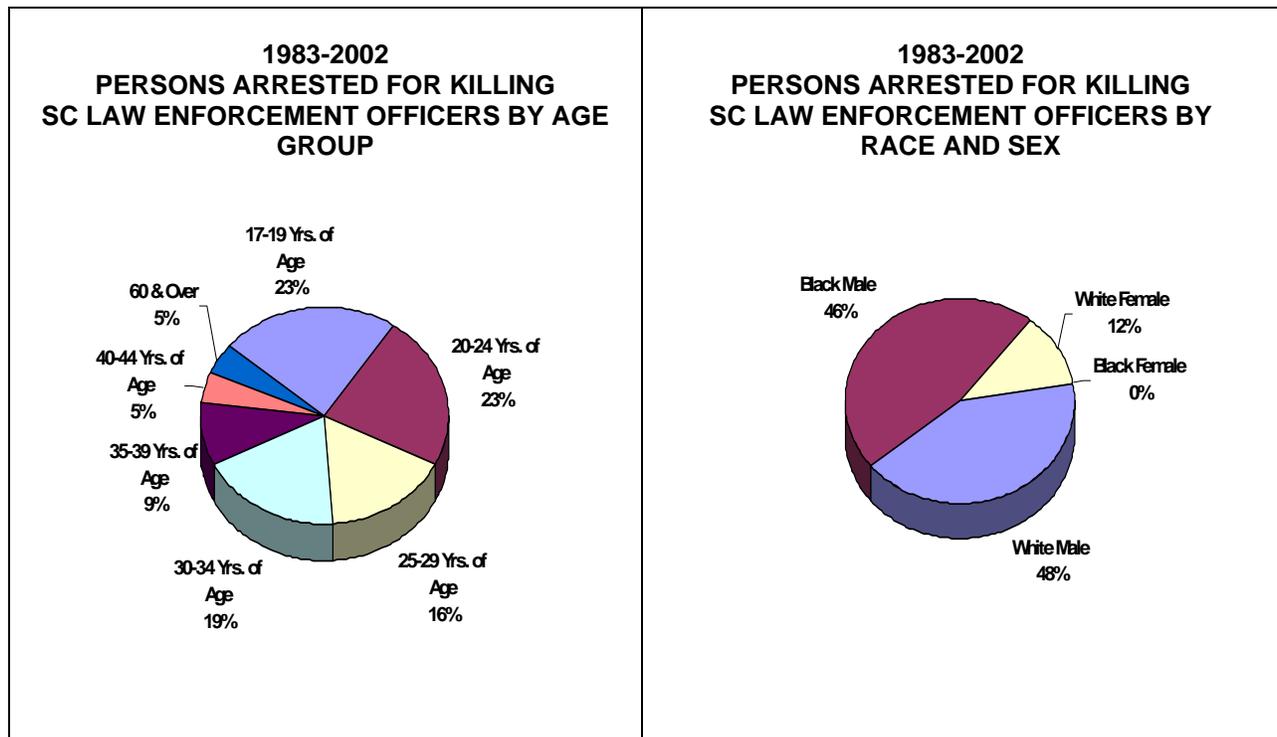
1983-2002 POLICE OFFICERS KILLED BY AGE, SEX, RACE

Age Group	Total	Percent Distribution	White Male	Black Male
21 – 24	2	5.9	2	0
25 – 29	12	35.3	10	2
30 – 34	3	8.8	2	1
35 – 39	8	23.5	6	2
40 – 44	4	11.8	3	1
45 – 49	3	8.8	2	1
50 – 54	1	2.9	1	0
55 – 59	0	0.0	0	0
60 & Over	1	2.9	1	0
State Total	34	100.0	27	7



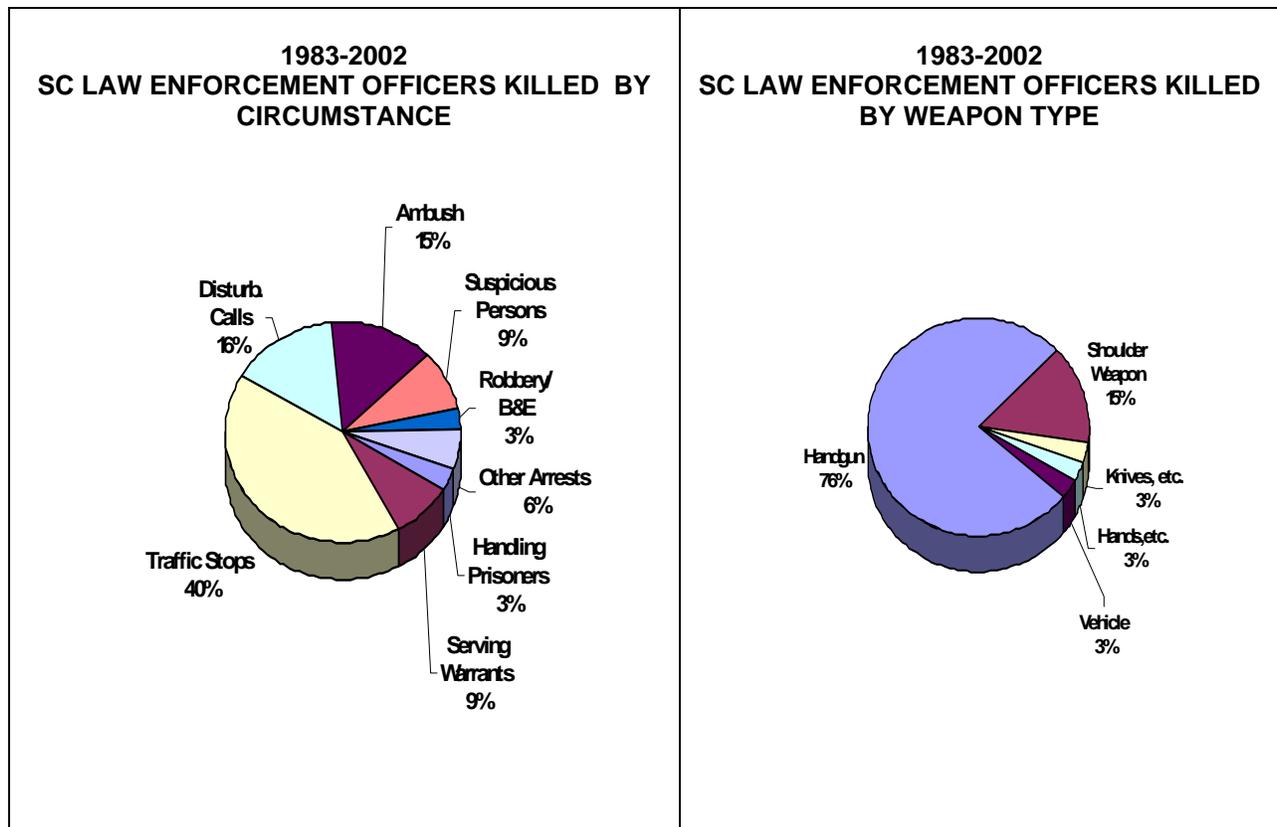
**1983-2002 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR KILLING
POLICE OFFICERS BY AGE, SEX, RACE**

Age Group	Total	Percent Distribution	White Male	Black Male	White Female	Black Female
17 – 19	10	23.3	4	4	2	0
20 – 24	10	23.3	5	4	1	0
25 – 29	7	16.3	2	5	0	0
30 – 34	8	18.6	4	3	1	0
35 – 39	4	9.3	1	3	0	0
40 – 44	2	4.7	1	1	0	0
45 – 49	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
50 – 54	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
55 – 59	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
60 & Over	2	4.7	1	0	1	0
State Total	43	100.0	18	20	5	0



1983-2002 POLICE OFFICERS KILLED BY CIRCUMSTANCE AND WEAPON TYPE

Circumstance	Total Victims	% Distr.	Handgun	Shoulder Weapon	Knife	Hands, Feet	Auto-mobile
Disturbance Call	5	14.7	1	2	1	1	0
Breaking or Entering	1	2.9	1	0	0	0	0
Robbery in Progress	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempting Other Arrests	2	5.9	2	0	0	0	0
Handling Prisoners	1	2.9	1	0	0	0	0
Suspicious Persons	3	8.8	3	0	0	0	0
Ambush	5	14.7	5	1	0	0	0
Traffic Stop	14	41.2	11	1	0	0	1
Serving Warrants	3	8.8	2	1	0	0	0
Drug Investigation	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
State Total 20 Year Period	34	100.0	26	5	1	1	1



1983-2002

SC LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED CIRCUMSTANCE BY WEAPON

DISTURBANCE CALLS, SUSPICIOUS PERSONS



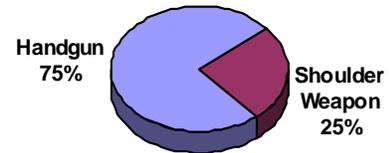
B & E, ROBBERY RESPONSE



ATTEMPTING OTHER ARREST



HANDLING PRISONERS, SERVING WARRANTS



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TRAFFIC STOPS

