

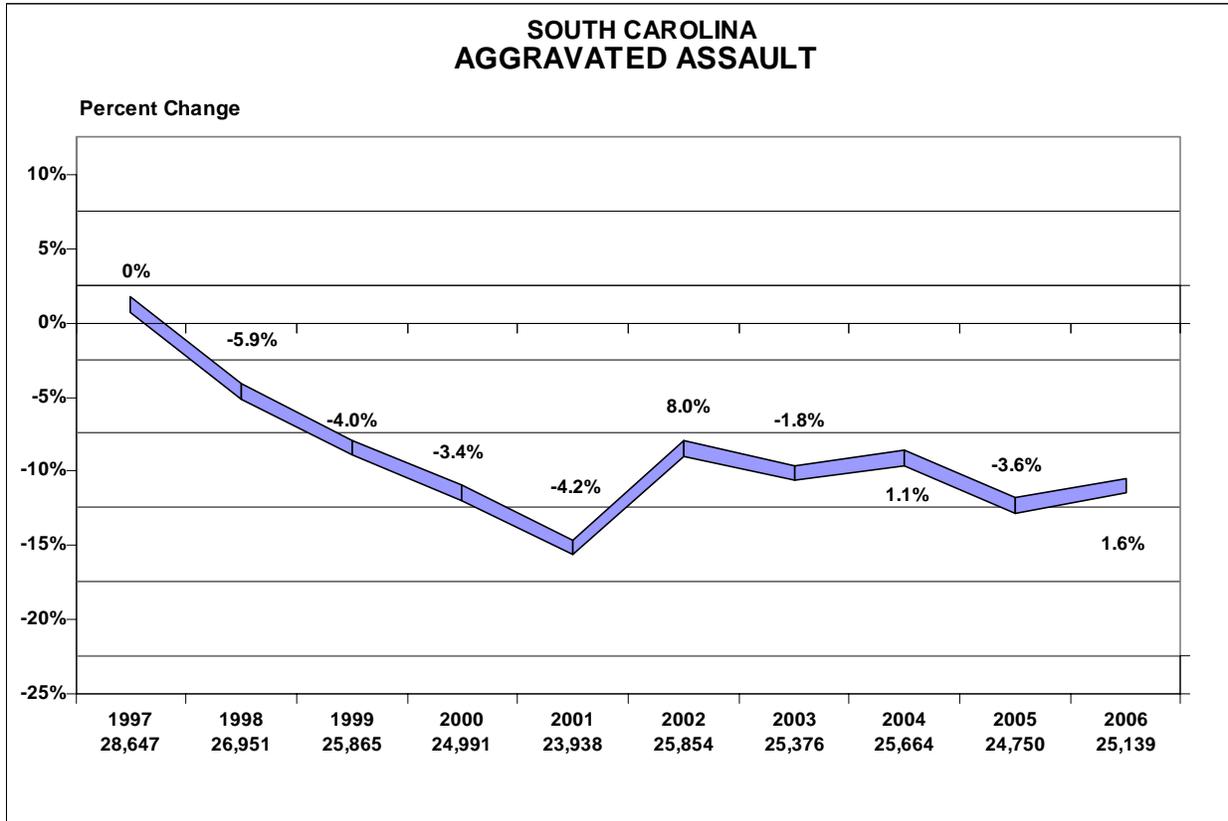
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

DEFINITION

Aggravated Assault, for UCR purposes, is defined as an unlawful attack by one person upon another with the intent of inflicting serious bodily injury. Aggravated Assaults are frequently accomplished through the use or threatened use of dangerous weapons. However, assaults resulting in serious injury from the use of hands or feet are also counted in this category. Attempts to assault are counted here since it is not necessary that injury result whenever a dangerous weapon is employed. Attempts to commit murder are classified under this category. One offense is counted for each victim of aggravated assault.

ROUNDING

Percentages shown in the tables and charts may not add to 100% due to rounding. Rates per 10,000 population and percent changes also have been rounded.



2006 SUMMARY

A total of 25,139 aggravated assaults was reported in the 2006 crime index. During this year, aggravated assaults increased 1.6 percent compared to those reported in 2005.

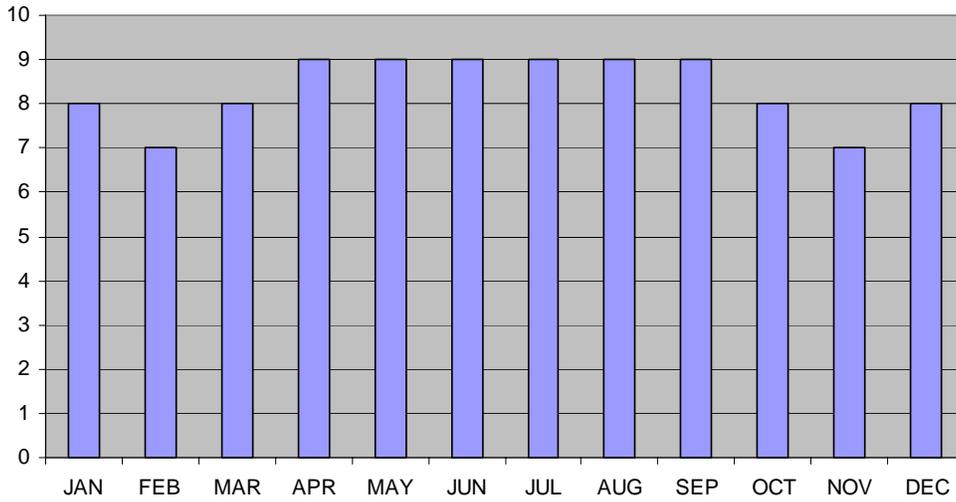
There were 9,362 aggravated assaults cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a clearance rate of 58.0 percent statewide.

The aggravated assault rate in South Carolina was 58.18 per 10,000 persons.

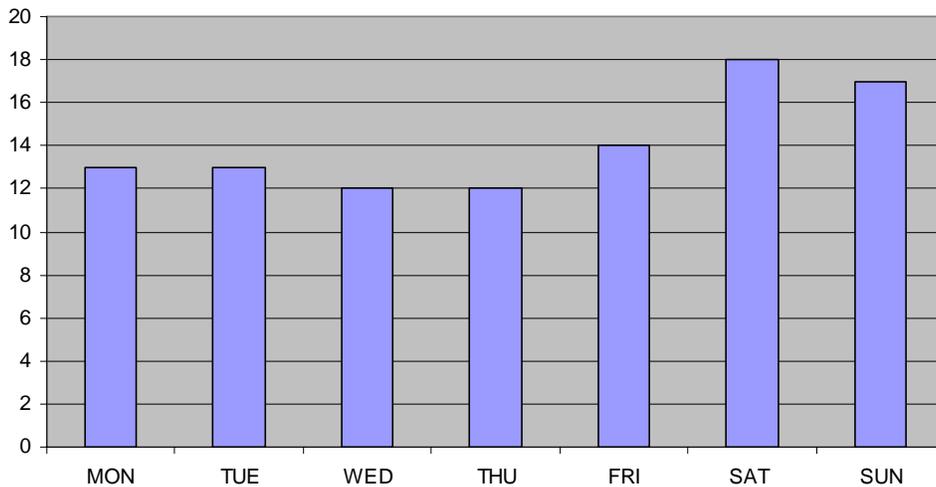
The age group 25-34 accounted for 26.0 percent of persons arrested for aggravated assault. Males represented 79.0 percent of the total arrests made. Of all persons arrested for this offense, 41.0 percent were white, 58.0 percent were black, and 1.0 percent were other races.

Firearms were used in 22.0 percent of all aggravated assaults, cutting instruments in 34.0 percent, hands and feet in 29.0 percent, other weapons in 14 percent, and unknown weapons in 1.0 percent.

**2006 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT INCIDENTS BY MONTH
PERCENTAGES**



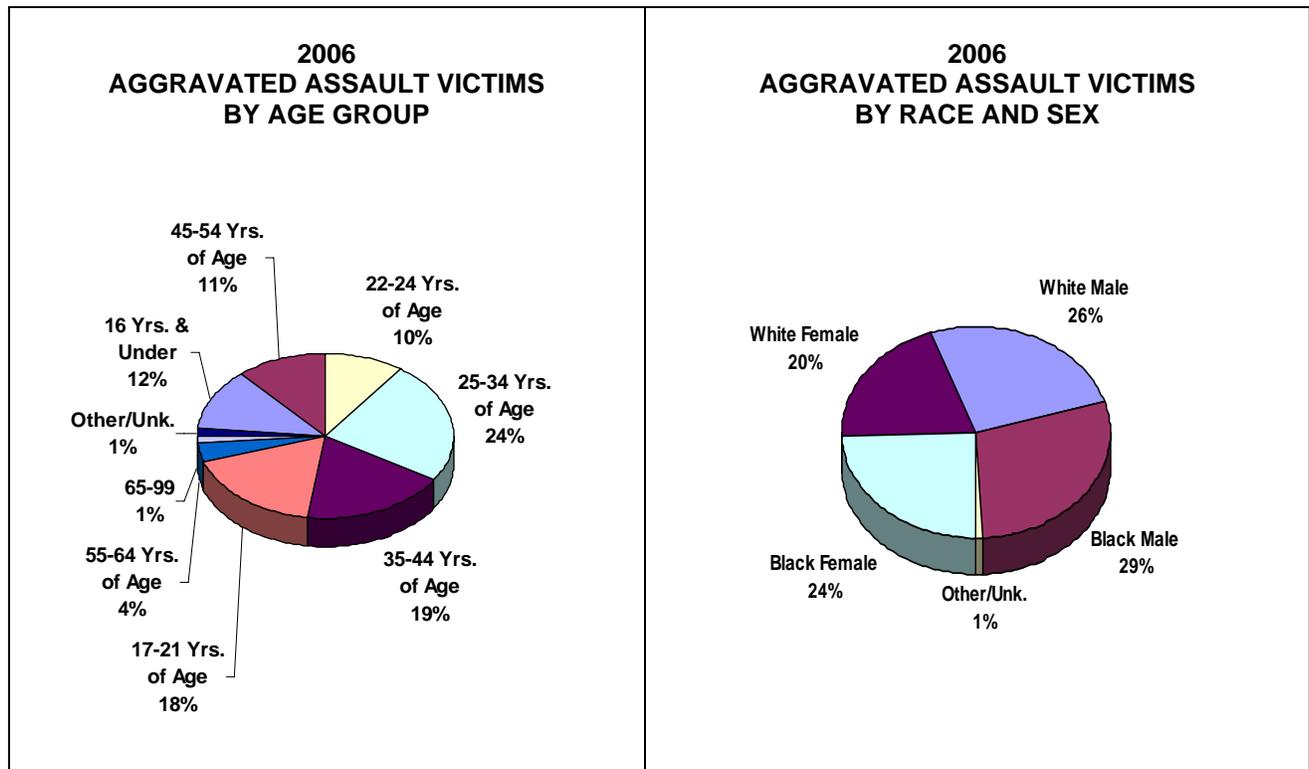
**2006 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT INCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK
PERCENTAGES**



2006 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT VICTIMS BY AGE, SEX, RACE

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	Unk Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female	Unk Female	Unk Unk
Infant	71	18	23	0	0	14	13	0	1	2
01 – 04	239	49	72	0	2	51	61	0	0	4
05 – 09	369	107	120	0	0	62	80	0	0	0
10 – 16	2,398	585	833	7	1	359	608	1	2	2
17 – 21	4,451	1,033	1,375	6	8	749	1,261	4	5	10
22 – 24	2,534	601	658	8	4	512	738	4	6	3
25 – 34	6,033	1,573	1,539	15	10	1,283	1,583	10	11	9
35 – 44	4,704	1,223	1,284	13	6	1,133	1,027	13	4	1
45 – 54	2,869	806	930	4	5	579	540	4	0	1
55 – 64	906	293	289	3	2	186	130	3	0	0
65 – 99	371	132	90	1	0	92	54	2	0	0
Other/Unk.	353	91	96	2	13	43	88	0	6	14
State Total	25,298	6,511	7,309	59	51	5,063	6,183	41	35	46

NOTE: The victim counts shown here have not been subjected to the “hierarchy rule” (explained elsewhere); therefore, all victims linked to this offense type are counted.

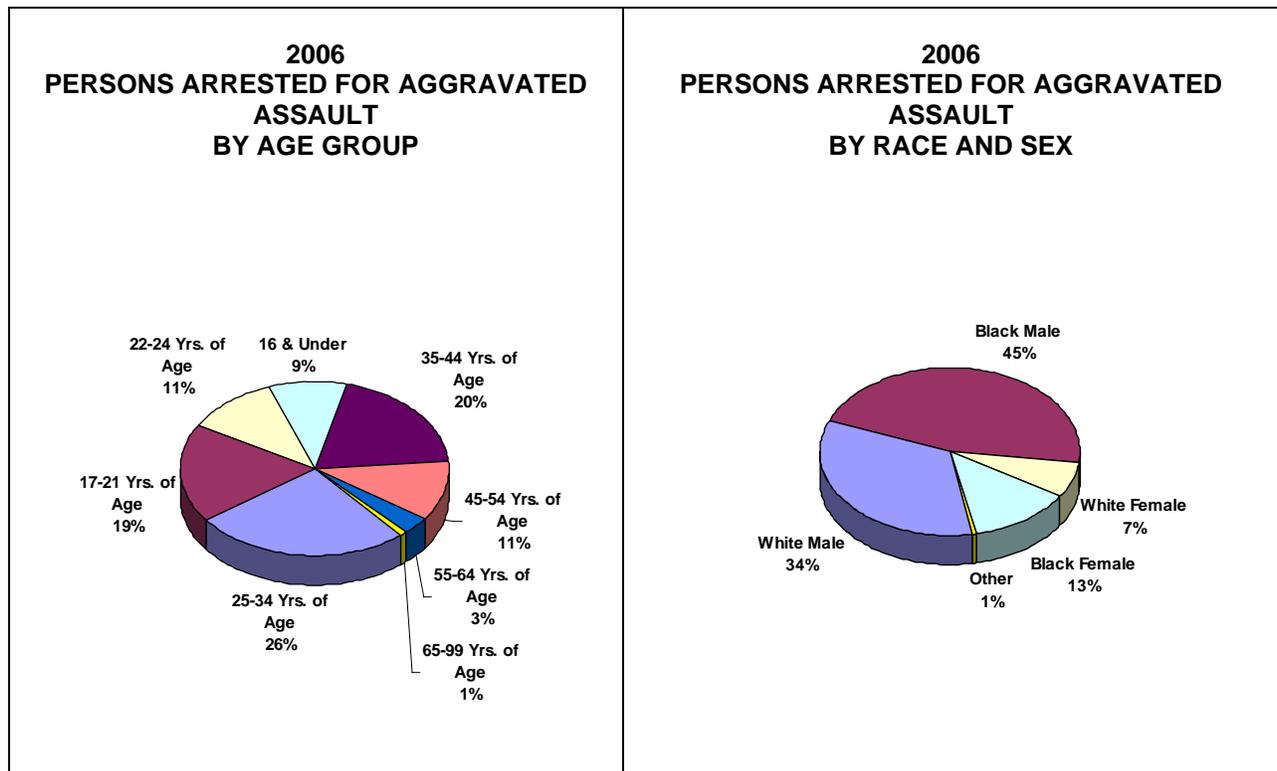


Twenty-six percent of aggravated assault victims in 2006 were white males; 29 percent were black males. White females accounted for 20 percent of aggravated assault victims; black females accounted for 24 percent of aggravated assault victims.

2006 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
01 – 09	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
10 – 16	862	201	466	0	48	146	1
17 – 21	1,737	446	914	6	97	272	2
22 – 24	1,036	331	510	9	46	140	0
25 – 34	2,434	912	1,055	18	175	274	0
35 – 44	1,853	717	717	8	166	243	2
45 – 54	1,038	399	452	3	76	106	2
55 – 64	309	120	150	0	22	17	0
65 – 99	89	48	33	1	5	2	0
State Total	9,362	3,176	4,299	45	635	1,200	7

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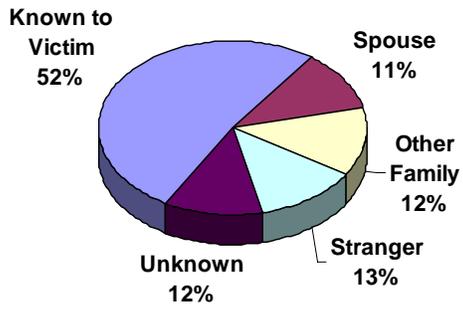
Thirty-four percent of persons arrested for aggravated assault in 2006 were white males, 45 percent were black males. White females accounted for 7 percent of persons arrested for aggravated assault, while black females accounted for 13 percent of persons arrested.

2004-2006 RELATIONSHIP OF AGGRAVATED ASSAULT VICTIMS TO OFFENDERS

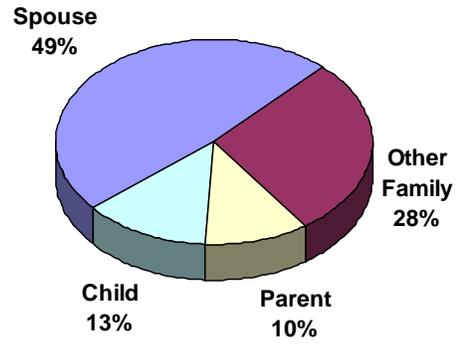
Relationship Of Victim To Offender	Number of Victims 2004	% Distr.	Number of Victims 2005	% Distr.	Number of Victims 2006	% Distr.
Within Family	6,543	25.4	5,853	23.6	5,701	22.5
Spouse	2,063	8.0	1,832	7.4	1,827	7.2
Parent	531	2.1	515	2.1	477	1.9
Child	691	2.7	672	2.7	662	2.6
Sibling	773	3.0	668	2.7	700	2.8
Common-Law Spouse	1,138	4.4	985	4.0	866	3.4
Grandparent	40	0.2	45	0.2	40	0.2
Grandchild	40	0.2	37	0.1	26	0.1
Stepsibling	16	0.1	22	0.1	17	0.1
Stepparent	120	0.5	124	0.5	117	0.5
Stepchild	122	0.5	119	0.5	102	0.4
In-law	195	0.8	135	0.5	116	0.5
Other Family	814	3.2	699	2.8	751	3.0
Known to Victim	13,271	51.5	12,904	51.9	13,065	51.6
Boy/Girlfriend	2,869	11.1	2,988	12.0	3,236	12.8
Friend	666	2.6	540	2.2	515	2.0
Acquaintance	7,987	31.0	7,645	30.8	7,508	29.7
Homosexual	39	0.2	60	0.2	51	0.2
Ex-Spouse	163	0.6	153	0.6	115	0.5
Neighbor	355	1.4	339	1.4	347	1.4
Child of BF/GF	77	0.3	59	0.2	83	0.3
Employee	29	0.1	26	0.1	39	0.2
Employer	20	0.1	34	0.1	32	0.1
Babysittee	17	0.1	11	0.0	11	0.0
Other	1,049	4.1	1,049	4.2	1,128	4.5
Stranger	3,223	12.5	3,067	12.3	3,273	12.9
Unknown	2,664	10.3	2,966	11.9	3,204	12.7
Victim also Offender	63	0.2	50	0.2	55	0.2
State Total	25,764	100.0	24,840	100.0	25,298	100.0

NOTE: The victim counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere), therefore, all victims linked to this offense type are counted. For simplicity, only one relationship category has been counted for each victim. (If there was more than one offender related to a victim, only the relationship "closest" to that victim was counted.)

**2004-2006
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT BY RELATIONSHIP
(Victim to Offender)**



**2004-2006
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITHIN FAMILY
(Victim to Offender)**

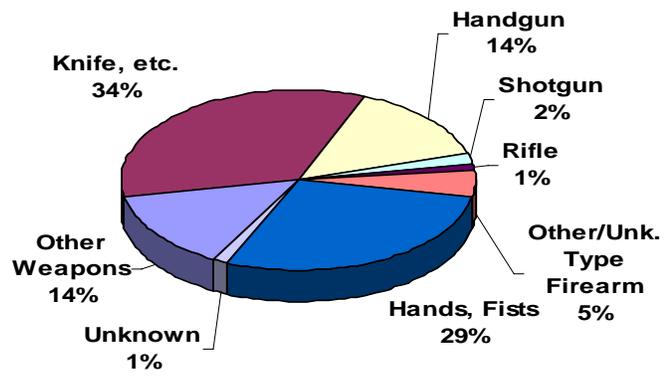


2004-2006 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WEAPON DISTRIBUTION

Weapons	2004 Incidents	% Distr.	2005 Incidents	% Distr.	2006 Incidents	% Distr.
Handgun	2,951	13.8	2,931	14.1	3,029	14.7
Rifle	237	1.1	224	1.1	191	0.9
Shotgun	413	1.9	402	1.9	415	2.0
Other Firearm	119	0.6	162	0.8	177	0.9
Firearm Unknown Type	792	3.7	853	4.1	918	4.4
Firearm Total	4,512	21.1	4,572	22.1	4,730	22.9
Knife/Cutting Instrument	3,904	18.2	3,793	18.3	3,726	18.0
Blunt Object	3,645	17.0	3,220	15.5	3,056	14.8
Knife/ Blunt Object Total	7,549	35.3	7,013	33.8	6,782	32.8
Fire/Incendiary Device	47	0.2	35	0.2	51	0.2
Explosives	10	0.0	10	0.0	11	0.1
Fire/Explosive Total	57	0.3	45	0.2	62	0.3
Motor Vehicle	1,269	5.9	1,216	5.9	1,193	5.8
Drugs/Narcotics	10	0.0	11	0.1	21	0.1
Poison	22	0.1	19	0.1	16	0.1
Other	1,395	6.5	1,419	6.8	1,371	6.6
Strangulation	16	0.1	16	0.1	21	0.1
Other Dangerous Weapons	2,712	12.7	2,681	12.9	2,622	12.7
Hands, Feet	6,066	28.3	5,928	28.6	5,963	28.8
Drowning	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.0
Pushed	6	0.0	4	0.0	7	0.0
Hands, Etc. Total	6,072	28.4	5,932	28.6	5,972	28.9
Unknown	274	1.3	284	1.4	318	1.5
None	227	1.1	200	1.0	186	0.9
State Total	21,403	100.0	20,727	100.0	20,672	100.0

NOTE: The incident counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere), therefore, all incidents in this category are counted. For simplicity, only one weapon type has been counted for each incident. (If there was more than one weapon type used in an incident, only the primary weapon as listed in order in this table - was counted.)

2004-2006
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WEAPON DISTRIBUTION



2004-2006 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT INCIDENTS BY PREMISE

Premise	2004 Incidents	% Distr.	2005 Incidents	% Distr.	2006 Incidents	% Distr.
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	29	0.1	34	0.2	28	0.1
Bank/Savings and Loan	11	0.1	25	0.1	12	0.1
Bar/Nightclub	878	4.1	814	3.9	738	3.6
Church/Synagogue	51	0.2	28	0.1	24	0.1
Commercial/ Office Building	230	1.1	211	1.0	193	0.9
Construction Site	27	0.1	32	0.2	25	0.1
Convenience Store	314	1.5	289	1.4	275	1.3
Department/Discount Store	81	0.4	89	0.4	86	0.4
Drugstore/Doctor/Hospital	84	0.4	71	0.3	80	0.4
Field/Woods	151	0.7	156	0.8	188	0.9
Government/Public Building	97	0.5	80	0.4	89	0.4
Grocery/Supermarket	72	0.3	76	0.4	71	0.3
Highway/Road	3,735	17.5	3,835	18.5	3,754	18.2
Hotel/Motel	236	1.1	282	1.4	317	1.5
Jail/Prison	140	0.7	89	0.4	120	0.6
Lake/Waterway	32	0.1	26	0.1	21	0.1
Liquor Store	12	0.1	11	0.1	11	0.1
Parking Lot/Garage	767	3.6	708	3.4	880	4.3
Rental Storage Facility	5	0.0	4	0.0	11	0.1
Residence/Home	11,612	54.3	11,092	53.5	11,111	53.7
Restaurant	213	1.0	179	0.9	215	1.0
School K-12	499	2.3	574	2.8	513	2.5
Service/Gas Station	70	0.3	72	0.3	83	0.4
Specialty Store	53	0.2	65	0.3	54	0.3
Other/Unknown	393	1.8	342	1.7	373	1.8
Colleges	44	0.2	35	0.2	59	0.3
Shopping Mall	24	0.1	27	0.1	19	0.1
Apartment/Condo	1,535	7.2	1,477	7.1	1,316	6.4
Highway Rest Areas	8	0.0	4	0.0	5	0.0
Court/Courthouse	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0
State Total	21,403	100.0	20,727	100.0	20,672	100.0

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**2004-2006
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT INCIDENTS BY PREMISE**

