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- In the 19,486 violent offenses* reported in 2005, 12% of the victims were juveniles. There were 2,417 juvenile victims: 22 juvenile homicide victims; 702 juvenile rape victims; 263 juvenile robbery victims; and 1,430 juvenile victims of aggravated assault.
- There were 9,081 juvenile victims of simple assault, which represent 12% of all victims of simple assaults reported in 2005.
- 44% of the victims were males, and 56% were females. 58% of the victims were black, and 42% were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in 19% of the offenses; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in 54%; a knife was the weapon used in 7%; and other

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dangerous weapons were used in 20%.

- 39% of the victims suffered injuries: 15% were injured with a firearm; 9% were injured with a knife; 53% were injured with fists, feet or hands; and 23% were injured with other dangerous weapons.
- 69% of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; 9% of the offenders were strangers; and in 22% of the offenses the offender was unknown. In 29% of the offenses, the offender was also a juvenile.
- 56% of the offenses occurred at a residence; 18% occurred in a street or alley; 6% occurred at a school; 5% occurred in a parking lot; and 15% occurred in other locations.

*Excluding simple assaults

Juvenile Victims of Aggravated Assault

<u>Victim's Age</u>	<u>Number</u>
1	14
2	25
3	39
4	34
5	40
6	29
7	27
8	42
9	35
10	43
11	54
12	71
13	110
14	171

Juvenile Victims of Assault 2005

Aggravated

- There were 1,430 juvenile assault victims in 2005, representing 12% of all victims of the 11,489 aggravated assaults reported in Alabama for that year. 59% of the victims were males, and 41% were females. 60% of the victims were black, and 40% were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in 20% of the assaults; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in 47%; a knife was the weapon used in 11%; and other dangerous weapons were used in 22%.
- 50% of the victims were injured: 16% with a firearm; 11% with a knife; 47% with fists, feet or hands; and 26% with other dangerous weapons

15	202
16	221
17	273

Relationship of Victim and Offender

<u>The Victim was:</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquaintance	43%
Friend	6%
Relative	22%
Boyfriend/Girlfriend	3%
Stranger	9%
Unknown	17%

- 74% of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; 9% of the offenders were strangers; and in 17% of the assaults the offender was unknown. In 34% of the assaults the offender was also a juvenile.
- 52% of the assaults occurred at a residence; 20% occurred in a street or alley; 9% occurred at a school; and 19% occurred in other locations.

Simple

- There were 9,081 juvenile victims of simple assault in 2005, or 12% of all victims of simple assaults for that year. 52% of the victims were females and 48% were males; 53% were black and 47% were white.
- 81% of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; 4% were strangers; and in 15% of the offenses the offender was unknown.

Juvenile Victims of Violent Crime

<u>Victim's Age</u>	<u>Number</u>
1	15
2	29
3	44
4	50
5	49
6	35
7	37
8	48
9	51
10	68
11	85
12	141
13	230
14	354

Juvenile Victims of Homicide 2005

- There were 22 juvenile homicide victims in 2005, representing 7% of the victims of the 331 homicides reported in Alabama for that year. Four juveniles died as a result of child abuse, and 2 juveniles were killed by another juvenile.
- 67% of the victims were males, and 33% were females. 90% of the victims were black, and 10% were white.
- A firearm was the weapon used in 50% of the homicides; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in 5%; a knife was the weapon used in 14%; and other dangerous weapons were used in 31%.

15	419
16	361
17	401

Relationship of Victim and Offender

<u>The Victim was:</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquaintance	40%
Friend	6%
Relative	19%
Boyfriend/Girlfriend	4%
Stranger	9%
Unknown	22%

- In 32% of the homicides the victim was related to or acquainted with the offender; in 27% the victim and offender were strangers; and in 41% the offender was unknown.
- 55% of the homicides occurred at a residence; 27% occurred in a street or alley; and 18% occurred in other locations.
- In 9% of the homicides the offender was also a juvenile.

Juvenile Victims of Robbery

Victim's Age	Number
1	0
2	1
3	0
4	0
5	2
6	0
7	2
8	0
9	2
10	2
11	7
12	12

Juvenile Victims of Robbery 2005

- There were 6,151 robberies reported in 2005, and 263 juveniles were robbery victims, representing 4% of all robbery victims in Alabama for that year. 61% of the victims were black and 39% were white; 80% were males, and 20% were females.
- A firearm was the weapon used in 51% of the robberies; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in 33%; a knife was the weapon used in 4%; and other dangerous weapons were used in 12%.
- 18% of the victims suffered injuries: 32% were injured with a firearm; 4%

13	16
14	26
15	41
16	64
17	88

Relationship of Victim and Offender

The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	26%
Friend	3%
Stranger	18%
Unknown	53%

were injured with a knife; 48% were injured with fists, feet or hands; and 16% were injured with other dangerous weapons.

- 29% of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; 18% of the offenders were strangers; and in 53% of the offenses the offender was unknown.
- 17% of the offenses occurred at a residence; 45% occurred in a street or alley; 3% occurred at a school; 12% occurred in a parking lot; 2% occurred at a store; and 21% occurred in other locations.
- In 27% of the robberies, the offender was also a juvenile.

Juvenile Victims of Homicide

Victim's Age	Number
1	1
2	0
3	1
4	3
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	1
9	1
10	2
11	2
12	0

Juvenile Victims of Rape 2005

- There were 702 juvenile female rape victims in 2005, representing 46% of the 1,515 rapes reported in Alabama for that year. 80 juvenile victims were 10 years of age or younger. 50% of the victims were black females and 50% were white females.
- A firearm was the weapon used in 3% of the rapes; hands, fists, or feet were used as a weapon in 80%; a knife was the weapon used in 1%; and unknown weapons were used in 16%.
- 23% of the victims suffered injuries: 4% were injured with a firearm; 1%

13	2
14	1
15	2
16	3
17	3

Relationship of Victim and Offender

The Victim was:	Percent
Acquaintance	9%
Friend	0%
Relative	23%
Stranger	27%
Unknown	41%

were injured with a knife; 90% were injured with fists, feet or hands; and 5% were injured with other dangerous weapons.

- 76% of the victims were acquainted with or related to the offender; 4% of the offenders were strangers; and in 20% of the rapes the offender was unknown.
- 78% of the offenses occurred at a residence; 3% occurred in a street or alley; 1% occurred at a school; and 18% occurred in other locations.
- In 20% of the rapes the offender was also a juvenile.

Juvenile Victims of Rape

<u>Victim's Age</u>	<u>Number</u>
1	0
2	3
3	4
4	13
5	7
6	6
7	8
8	5
9	13
10	21
11	22
12	58
13	102
14	156
15	174
16	73
17	37

Relationship of Victim and Offender

<u>The Victim was:</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquaintance	38%
Friend	8%
Relative	20%
Girlfriend	10%
Stranger	4%
Unknown	20%