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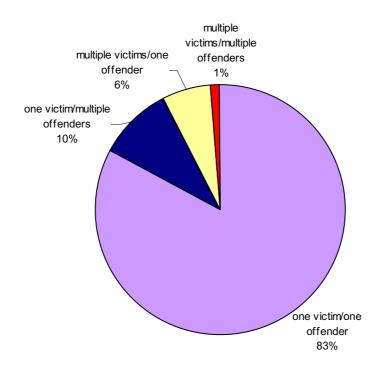


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Homicide incidents

Homicide in Australia: 2002-2003 National Homicide Monitoring Program (NHMP) annual report has recently been released from the Australian Institute of Criminology. A total of 297 homicide incidents occurred during the reporting period. These incidents resulted in the death of 324 people, a rate of 1.6 per 100,000 of the population. There were 311 identified homicide offenders in 2002-03. At the time of data collection, 14 per cent (n=42) of incidents were unsolved – incidents where an offender had not yet been identified. Consistent with findings in recent years, the majority of solved homicide incidents (n=255) involved one-on-one interactions between a victim and an offender (83 per cent). Ten per cent involved a single victim and multiple offenders, while seven per cent of incidents involved multiple victims (of which only one per cent of incidents involved multiple victims and offenders).

Incidents of homicide with single versus multiple offenders/victims, 2002-03



SOURCE: Mouzos J & Segrave M 2004. Homicide in Australia: 2002-2003 National Homicide Monitoring Program (NHMP) annual report. Research and public policy series no. 55, Australian Institute of Criminology, Canberra

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