

**TABLE 4-1  
NUMBER OF HOMICIDES BY MEANS OF ASSAULT AND YEAR, ARIZONA RESIDENTS, 1997-2007**

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Assault by bodily force	1	1	1	6	2	0	1	2	1	3	0
Neglect, abandonment, maltreatment	5	5	5	4	4	4	7	1	6	4	6
Assault by drugs, chemicals and noxious substances	2	1	1	0	3	1	1	1	5	4	1
Assault by blunt object	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	3	2	4	1
Assault by firearms	310	318	303	271	318	346	319	331	365	374	336
Assault by explosives	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault by drowning and submersion	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1
Assault by hanging, strangulation, suffocation	15	19	12	9	15	6	16	13	19	12	16
Assault by sharp object	48	39	57	53	64	54	42	48	39	58	46
Assault by fire, flames, smoke	0	3	1	2	2	4	3	3	1	2	1
Assault by other means	61	60	49	46	57	62	89	83	63	63	86
<b>Total</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>494</b>