



Overview

Table 3

Crime in the United States, Offense and Population Percent Distribution by Region, 2017

- The South, the most populous region of the nation, accounted for 40.8 percent of all violent crimes in 2017. Lesser volumes of violent crime were recorded in the West at 25.5 percent, the Midwest at 20.2 percent, and the Northeast at 13.4 percent.
- In 2017, 45.9 percent of the nation's estimated total number of murders occurred in the South. The Midwest had 22.6 percent of murders, followed by the West with 20.2 percent and the Northeast with 11.3 percent.
- During 2017, 41.9 percent of the estimated number of property crimes were recorded in the South. The West was next highest with 27.0 percent, followed by the Midwest with 19.6 percent, and the Northeast with 11.4 percent.