

# NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMIZATION SURVEY

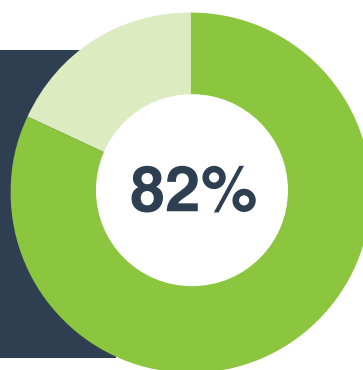
The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) is a nationwide survey based on a sample of households. The survey collects detailed information about people's experiences with and responses to personal and property crimes, like theft, burglary, and assault.

**Did you know?** The NCVS provides information used by law enforcement, law makers, courts, and correctional agencies to improve their effectiveness and planning.



In 2015, the majority of violent and property crimes were not reported to police

Assaults are the most prevalent type of violent crime committed against persons age 12 or older. In 2015, they accounted for **82%** of all violent victimizations.



In 2015, the majority of victims of violent crime knew the offender.

Renters had higher rates of property crime victimization than homeowners in 2015



Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Crime Victimization Survey, 2014–2015.

**What information comes from this survey?**

#### Details of crimes including:

- Characteristics of victims and offenders
- When and where crimes occur
- Types and amount of crimes committed
- Consequences to victims, including economic losses and injuries
- Extent of injuries suffered by the victim
- Whether the offender had a weapon
- Whether the police were notified

## Victim Resources

### National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE  
thehotline.org

### National Center for Victims of Crime

1-202-467-8700  
victimsofcrime.org

### Child Help National Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-4-A-CHILD  
childhelp.org

### Eldercare Locator

1-800-677-1116  
eldercare.gov

### Victim Connect

1-855-4-VICTIM  
victimconnect.org

For more information about the National Crime Victimization Survey, visit [www.bjs.gov](http://www.bjs.gov)