

**BANK CRIME STATISTICS (BCS)**  
**FEDERAL INSURED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**  
**JANUARY 1, 2008 — DECEMBER 31, 2008**

**I. VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL BANK ROBBERY AND INCIDENTAL CRIMES STATUTE,  
TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 2113**

**Violations by Type of Institution**

	Robberies	Burglaries	Larcenies
Commercial Banks	5960	90	21
Mutual Savings Banks	110	3	1
Savings and Loan Associations	147	5	1
Credit Unions	483	23	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>6700</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>28</b>

Grand Total—All Violations: **6,849**

**Loot Taken and Recovered**

Loot was taken in 6,225 (91 percent) of the 6,849 incidents. Loot taken is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$61,666,575.48
Securities—Face Value	100.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	169,411.76
Food Stamps	24,150.00
Other Property	54,426.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$61,914,663.31</b>

Full or partial recovery of loot taken was reported by law enforcement agencies in 1,189 (19 percent) of the 6,225 incidents in which loot was taken. Loot recovered is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$8,931,126.05
Securities—Face Value	800.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	1,120.00
Food Stamps	500.00
Other Property	6,931.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,940,477.28</b>

### Number, Race, and Sex of Perpetrators

The number of persons known to be involved in the 6,849 robberies, burglaries, and larcenies was 8,393. The following table shows a breakdown of the 8,393 persons who have been identified by race and sex. In a small number of cases, the use of full disguise makes determination of race and sex impossible.

	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	Unknown
Male	3230	3540	604	129	286
Female	206	221	43	3	18

Unknown Race/Sex: 113

Investigation to date has resulted in the identification of 3,342 (40 percent) of the 8,393 persons known to be involved. Of these 3,342 identified persons, 1,444 (43 percent) were determined to be users of narcotics, and 633 (19 percent) were found to have been previously convicted in either federal or state court for bank robbery, bank burglary, or bank larceny.

### Occurrences by Day of Week and Time of Day

Monday	1,280	6-9 a.m.	225
Tuesday	1,198	9-11 a.m.	1,803
Wednesday	1,206	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1,629
Thursday	1,129	1-3 p.m.	1,458
Friday	1,407	3-6 p.m.	1,472
Saturday	505	6 p.m.-6 a.m.	261
Sunday	90	Not Determined	1
Not Determined	34		
Total	6,849	Total	6,849

### Institution/Community Characteristics

#### Type of Financial Institution Office

Main Office	210
Branch Office	6,472
Store	126
Remote Facility/Other	41
Total	6,849

#### Location of Financial Institution Office

Commercial District	4,671
Shopping Center	1,519
Residential	389
Other Location	270
Total	6,849

**Community Type**

Metropolitan	3,388
Suburban	1,136
Small City/Town	2,189
Rural	136
Total	6,849

**Institutional Areas Involved**

Counter	6,488	Night Depository	9
Vault/Safe	371	Auto. Teller Machine	5
Safe Deposit Area	22	Courier/Messenger	1
Office Area	199	Armored Vehicle	72
Drive-In/Walk-Up	65	Other	54

**Security Devices Maintained by Victim Institutions**

Alarm System	6,626
Surveillance Cameras	6,743
Bait Money	4,483
Guards	387
Tear Gas/Dye Packs	1,738
Electronic Tracking	601
Bullet-Resistant Enclosures	763

**Security Devices Used During Crimes**

Alarm System Activated	6,176
Surveillance Cameras Activated	6,581
Bait Money Taken	2,121
Guards On Duty	341
Tear Gas/Dye Packs Taken	730
Electronic Tracking Activated	298

**Security Devices Functioned**

Alarm System Functioned	6,110
Surveillance Cameras Functioned	6,477

### Modus Operandi Used

Demand Note Used	3,833
Firearm Used <sup>1</sup>	1,734
Handgun	1,656
Other Firearm	120
Other Weapon Used <sup>2</sup>	100
Weapon Threatened <sup>3</sup>	2,839
Explosive Device Used or Threatened	174
Oral Demand	3,683
Vault or Safe Theft	47
Depository Trap Device	3
Till Theft	95

<sup>1</sup> "Handgun" and "Other Firearm" added together may not coincide with "Firearm Used" since, in some cases, both handguns and other firearms are used during the same crime.

<sup>2</sup> "Other Weapon Used" includes knives, other cutting instruments, hypodermic needles, clubs, etc.

<sup>3</sup> "Weapon Threatened" includes those cases where a weapon was threatened or implied either orally or in a demand note but not actually observed.

### Injuries, Deaths, and Hostages Taken

Acts of violence were committed during 293 (4 percent) of the 6,849 robberies, burglaries, and larcenies which occurred during this 12-month period. These acts included 78 instances involving the discharge of firearms, 171 instances involving assaults, and 52 instances of hostage situations. (One or more acts of violence may occur during an incident.) These acts of violence resulted in 123 injuries, 21 deaths, and 105 persons being taken hostage.

#### Injuries

Customer	18
Employee	69
Employee Family	0
Perpetrator	14
Law Officer	7
Guard	13
Other	2
Total	123

Number of incidents in which injuries occurred: 99

#### Deaths

Customer	0
Employee	1
Employee Family	0
Perpetrator	17
Law Officer	0
Guard	0
Other	3
Total	21

Number of incidents in which deaths occurred: 20

### Hostages Taken

Customer	13
Employee	80
Employee Family	7
Law Officer	0
Guard	3
Other	2
Total	105

Number of incidents in which hostages were taken: 52

## II. BANK EXTORTION VIOLATIONS WHICH WERE INVESTIGATED UNDER THE FEDERAL BANK ROBBERY AND INCIDENTAL CRIMES STATUTE, TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 2113, JANUARY 1, 2008 - DECEMBER 31, 2008

### Violations by Type of Institution

Commercial Banks	8
Mutual Savings Banks	0
Savings and Loans Associations	0
Credit Unions	0
Armored Car	0
Total	8

### Loot Taken and Recovered

Loot was taken in 2 (25 percent) of the 8 incidents. Loot taken is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$20,080.00
Securities—Face Value	0.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	0.00
Food Stamps	0.00
Other Property	0.00
Total	\$20,080.00

Full or partial recovery of loot taken was reported by law enforcement agencies in 2 of the 2 incidents in which loot was taken. Loot recovered is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$2,080.00
Securities—Face Value	0.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	0.00
Food Stamps	0.00
Other Property	0.00
Total	\$2,080.00

### Number, Race, and Sex of Perpetrators

The number of persons known to be involved in the 8 bank extortion incident was 7. In a number of cases, the number and description of individuals involved are unknown due to nonobservance of the perpetrator by the victim(s) or the use of disguises. The following table shows a breakdown of the 7 known individuals involved by race and sex:

	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	Unknown
Male	4	0	0	0	3
Female	0	0	0	0	0

Unknown Race/Sex: 0

### Occurrences by Day of Week and Time of Day

Monday	0	6-9 a.m.	0
Tuesday	1	9-11 a.m.	3
Wednesday	0	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	2
Thursday	2	1-3 p.m.	0
Friday	3	3-6 p.m.	2
Saturday	2	6 p.m.-6 a.m.	1
Sunday	0	Not Determined	0
Not Determined	0		
Total	8	Total	8

### Institution/Community Characteristics

#### Type of Financial Institution Office

Main Office	0
Branch Office	8
Store	0
Remote Facility/Other	0
Total	8

#### Location of Financial Institution Office

Commercial District	6
Shopping Center	1
Residential	1
Other Location	0
Total	8

#### Community Type

Metropolitan	2
Suburban	0
Small City/Town	5
Rural	1
Total	8

### Security Devices Maintained by Victim Institutions

Alarm System	7
Surveillance Cameras	7
Bait Money	6
Guards	0
Tear Gas/Dye Packs	0
Electronic Tracking	0
Bullet-Resistant Enclosures	0

### Security Devices Used During Crimes

Alarm System Activated	3
Surveillance Cameras Activated	4
Bait Money Taken	2
Guards On Duty	0
Tear Gas/Dye Packs Taken	0
Electronic Tracking Activated	0

### Modus Operandi Used

Demand Note Used	2
Firearm Used	0
Other Weapon Used	0
Weapon Threatened	1
Explosive Device Used or Threatened	3
Telephone Call	7

### Injuries, Deaths, and Hostages Taken

Acts of violence were committed during 1 of the 8 extortion incidents which occurred during this 12-month period. These acts included 1 explosion, no injuries, or persons taken hostage. (One or more acts of violence may occur during an incident.) These acts of violence resulted in 2 deaths.

### Deaths

Customer	0
Employee	0
Employee Family	0
Perpetrator	0
Law Officer	2
Guard	0
Other	0
Total	2

Number of incidents in which deaths occurred: 1

**III. BANK ROBBERY STATUTE VIOLATIONS BY REGIONS, GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS,  
STATES, AND TERRITORIES (JANUARY 1, 2008 – DECEMBER 31, 2008)**

**Regional Summary**

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
Northeast	1,413	20	2	1
North Central	1,320	14	9	1
South	2,100	60	10	3
West	1,857	27	7	3
Territories	10	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,700</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>NORTHEAST</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>New England</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Connecticut	79	0	0	0
Maine	10	1	0	0
Massachusetts	286	4	1	1
New Hampshire	19	0	0	0
Rhode Island	10	0	0	0
Vermont	2	0	0	0
<b>Middle Atlantic</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
New Jersey	194	0	0	0
New York	499	13	1	0
Pennsylvania	314	2	0	0

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>NORTH CENTRAL</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>East North Central</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
Illinois	318	0	1	0
Indiana	113	0	1	0
Michigan	253	2	1	0
Ohio	277	1	1	1
Wisconsin	109	2	0	0
<b>West North Central</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
Iowa	32	0	0	0
Kansas	27	3	0	0
Minnesota	58	1	1	0
Missouri	96	2	0	0
Nebraska	29	0	3	0
North Dakota	4	3	1	0
South Dakota	4	0	0	0



	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>South Atlantic</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
Delaware	16	0	0	0
District of Columbia	31	0	2	0
Florida	355	6	0	0
Georgia	204	2	0	0
Maryland	155	2	2	0
North Carolina	204	12	1	0
South Carolina	108	7	0	0
Virginia	101	0	0	0
West Virginia	16	0	0	1
<b>East South Central</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
Alabama	97	1	0	1
Kentucky	57	2	0	0
Mississippi	72	2	0	0
Tennessee	90	4	3	1
<b>West South Central</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
Arkansas	38	9	0	0
Louisiana	41	3	1	0
Oklahoma	34	2	1	0
Texas	481	8	0	0

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>WEST</b>	<b>1,857</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Mountain</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
Arizona	236	2	0	0
Colorado	133	0	0	0
Idaho	15	0	0	0
Montana	2	1	0	0
Nevada	76	1	1	0
New Mexico	82	2	0	0
Utah	59	1	0	0
Wyoming	0	0	0	0
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>
Alaska	15	0	0	0
California	912	18	2	1
Hawaii	18	0	3	0
Oregon	154	1	1	2
Washington	155	1	0	0

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>TERRITORIES</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Guam	0	0	0	0
Puerto Rico	9	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	1	0	0	0

	Bank Robberies	Bank Burglaries	Bank Larcenies	Bank Extortions
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,700</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>

**IV. VIOLATIONS INVOLVING ARMORED CARRIERS INVESTIGATED UNDER THE HOBBS ACT, TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 1951 (JANUARY 1, 2008 –DECEMBER 31, 2008)**

**Armored Carrier Incidents**

Hobbs Act	52
Total	52

**Loot Taken and Recovered**

Loot was taken in 37 (71percent) of the 52 incidents. Loot taken is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$9,495,437.71
Securities—Face Value	0.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	120,277.83
Food Stamps	77,598.00
Other Property	5,900.00
Total	\$9,699,213.54

Full or partial recovery of loot taken was reported by law enforcement agencies in 6 (16 percent) of the 37 incidents in which loot was taken. Loot recovered is itemized as follows:

Cash	\$1,407,829.49
Securities—Face Value	0.00
Checks (including Traveler's Checks)	0.00
Food Stamps	0.00
Other Property	0.00
Total	\$1,407,829.49

### Number, Race, and Sex of Perpetrators

The number of persons known to be involved in the 52 Armored Carrier incidents was 99. In a number of cases, the number and description of individuals involved are unknown due to nonobservance of the perpetrator by the victim(s) or the use of disguises. The following table shows a breakdown of the 99 known individuals involved by race and sex:

	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	Unknown
Male	10	60	6	1	15
Female	0	3	0	0	0

Unknown Race/Sex: 4

### Occurrences by Day of Week and Time of Day

Monday	8	6-9 a.m.	9
Tuesday	14	9-11 a.m.	18
Wednesday	9	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	10
Thursday	9	1-3 p.m.	8
Friday	9	3-6 p.m.	3
Saturday	3	6 p.m.-6 a.m.	2
Sunday	0	Not Determined	2
Not Determined	0		
Total	52	Total	52

### Community Characteristics

#### Location

Commercial District	22
Shopping Center	28
Residential	2
Rural	0
Total	52

#### Community Type

Metropolitan	28
Suburban	8
Small City/Town	16
Rural	0
Total	52

### Modus Operandi Used

Firearm Used <sup>4</sup>	36
Handgun	30
Other Firearm	11
Other Weapon Used <sup>5</sup>	3
Weapon Threatened <sup>6</sup>	6
Explosive Device Used or Threatened	0
Oral Demand	21
Vault or Safe Theft	0

<sup>4</sup> "Handgun" and "Other Firearm" added together may not coincide with "Firearm Used" since, in some cases, both handguns and other firearms are used during the same crime.

<sup>5</sup> "Other Weapon Used" includes knives, other cutting instruments, hypodermic needles, clubs, etc.

<sup>6</sup> "Weapon Threatened" includes those cases where a weapon was threatened or implied either orally or in a demand note but not actually observed.

### Injuries, Deaths, and Hostages Taken

Acts of violence were committed during 27 of the 52 Armored Carrier incidents which occurred during this 12-month period. These acts of violence resulted in 14 injuries, 1 death, and 3 persons taken hostage. (One or more acts of violence may occur during an incident.)

#### Injuries

Customer	1
Employee	1
Perpetrator	2
Law Officer	0
Guard	9
Other	1
Total	14

Number of incidents in which injuries occurred: 12

#### Deaths

Customer	0
Employee	0
Perpetrator	0
Law Officer	0
Guard	1
Other	0
Total	1

Number of incidents in which deaths occurred: 1

### Hostage Taken

Customer	0
Employee	0
Law Officer	0
Guard	3
Other	0
Total	3

Number of incidents in which a hostage was taken: 2

Any statistical information furnished in this booklet is subject to change upon the investigation of bank robbery incidents which occurred during 2008.

The BCS provides a nationwide view of bank robbery crimes based on statistics contributed by FBI field offices responding to bank robberies or otherwise gathered when provided to the FBI from local and state law enforcement.

Statistics were recorded as of 04/23/2009, at FBI Headquarters.

Note: Not all Bank Robberies are reported to the FBI, and therefore BCS is not a complete statistical compilation of all Bank Robberies that occur in the United States.