Supplementary Information

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Table 1: Summary statistics for numerical variables

Variable	n	Min	$\widetilde{x}$	$\bar{x}$	Max	s	#NA
deaths	236	0	1	0.6	2	0.6	1
victim_age	222	9	30	32.5	79	13.4	15
accused_age	237	14	33	36.0	81	14.4	0
year	237	2005	2009	2009.2	2013	1.9	0

Table 2: Summary statistics for categorical variables

Variable	Levels	n	%	$\sum$ %
victim_initiated	Victim did not clearly initiate	133	56.1	56.1
	Victim initiated	104	43.9	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
victim_crime	Victim was not clearly committing a crime	190	80.2	80.2
	Victim was committing a crime	47	19.8	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
victim_unarmed	Victim not clearly unarmed	76	32.1	32.1
	Victim clearly unarmed	161	67.9	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
defendant_pursued	Defendant did not clearly pursue	167	70.5	70.5
	Defendant pursued	70	29.5	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
could_retreat	Defendant could not clearly have retreated	102	43.0	43.0
	Defendant could have retreated	135	57.0	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
accused_weapon	Defendant did not clearly have a gun	87	36.7	36.7
	Defendant clearly had a gun	150	63.3	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
witness	No clear witness(es)	83	35.0	35.0
	Clear witness(es)	154	65.0	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
physical_evidence	No clear physical evidence	117	49.4	49.4

	Physical evidence	120	50.6	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
defendant_property	Not clearly on property of the defendant	164	69.2	69.2
	On property of the defendant	73	30.8	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
type	Non-domestic	198	83.9	83.9
	Domestic	38	16.1	100.0
	all	236	100.0	
victim_race	Non-white victim	92	40.5	40.5
	White victim	135	59.5	100.0
	all	227	100.0	
victim_gender	Female victim	14	6.1	6.1
	Male victim	215	93.9	100.0
	all	229	100.0	
accused_race	Non-white defendant	92	39.0	39.0
	White defendant	144	61.0	100.0
	all	236	100.0	
accused_gender	Female defendant	26	11.0	11.0
	Male defendant	211	89.0	100.0
	all	237	100.0	
Note: The variable county was omitted.				