# **Data Declaration**

#### Table 22

### Aggravated Assault, by State, Types of Weapons, 2008

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.

#### **General comments**

- This table provides the types of weapons used in aggravated assault offenses. The
  data are based on the aggregated data from agencies within each state for which
  weapon information was reported to the FBI. The table includes the number of
  agencies that submitted data by state and the population covered by those
  agencies.
- The FBI received limited weapon data from Illinois.

## Methodology

- The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies that submitted complete offense reports for 12 months in 2008.
- The weapon totals are aggregated from all aggravated assault offense data for which the FBI received weapon breakdowns.

### Population estimation

For the 2008 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2000 decennial population counts and 2001 through 2007 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2007 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2008 population estimate.

## If you have questions about this table

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