

SDG Goal 16

Peace, justice and strong institutions

SDG Target 16.1

Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere

SDG Indicator 16.1.1

Number of victims of intentional homicide per 100,000 population, by sex and age

Time series

Victims of intentional homicide

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: February 6, 2026
- National data: <https://sdg-indicators.de/16-1-1>
- Definition: The time series shows the victims of intentional homicide in absolute terms, per 100,000 inhabitants ($=V/100,000$), as well as the percentage.

The following offence codes are taken into account according to the national catalogue of criminal offences:

- 010000: murder (sect. 211 PC)
- 020000: manslaughter and killing another at his/her own request (sects. 212, 213, 216 PC)
- 221000: bodily injury resulting in death (sects. 227, 231 PC)

Only completed criminal offences are taken into account.

- Disaggregation: age group, typ of victim-suspect relationship, sex

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: July 2024
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-16-01-01.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the UN metadata. It only includes cases recorded by the police (so-called known cases statistics) and is not based on surveys such as victimisation surveys.

3. Data description

- The data on the number of victims is based on the Police Crime Statistics (PCS) of the Federal Criminal Police Office (BKA). The PKS records known crimes, victims and suspects and includes both attempted and completed crimes per year. As only reported cases are recorded, the statistics may not fully reflect the actual crime rate.

The population data comes from the Federal Statistical Office. The victim risk figure (per 100,000 inhabitants) is calculated on the basis of the population on 31 December of the previous year. Up to and including 2012, the data is based on the 1987 census (Federal Republic of Germany) and the population register of 3 October 1990 (German Democratic Republic); for the years 2013 to 2023, it is based on the 2011 census, and

from 2024 onwards, it will be based on the 2022 census.

The retroactively calculated average population is used as the basis for the percentage representation. For 2010, it was determined on the basis of the 2011 census and migration, birth and death statistics; for the years 2012 to 2021, the calculation was made on the basis of the 2022 census.

4. Access to data source

- T91 Total victims by age and sex
https://www.bka.de/EN/CurrentInformation/Statistics/PoliceCrimeStatistics/2024/pcs2024_node.html
- T91 Risk of victimization – Total offenses, completed, attempts (only available in German)
<https://www.bka.de/DE/AktuelleInformationen/StatistikenLagebilder/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/PKS2024/PKSTabellen/BundBelastungszahlen/bundBelastungszahlen.html?nn=226082>
- T921/T922 Victim-suspect-relationship (only available in German)
<https://www.bka.de/DE/AktuelleInformationen/StatistikenLagebilder/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/PKS2024/PKSTabellen/BundOpfertabellen/bundopfertabellen.html?nn=240862>
- Average population – GENESIS online 12411-0041
<https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=12411-0041&bypass=true&levelindex=1&levelid=1639396599054#abreadcrumb>

5. Metadata on source data

- PKS 2019 yearbook volume 2 – victims (only available in German)
<https://www.bka.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/DE/Publikationen/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/2019/Jahrbuch/pks2019Jahrbuch2Opfer.pdf>
- Quality Report – Intercensal population updates
<https://www.destatis.de/EN/Methods/Quality/QualityReports/Population/einfuehrung.html>

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 4 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Number, Per 100,000 inhabitants, Percentage
- Calculation: Not applicable.