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# OPERATION GHETTO STORM

**2012 Annual Report on the  
Extrajudicial Killings of  
313 Black People by  
Police, Security Guards  
and Vigilantes**



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**Preface by Kali Akuno**  
***The Context for Operation Ghetto Storm***

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The facts presented in ***Operation Ghetto Storm: 2012 Annual Report on the Extrajudicial Killing of Black People*** present us with a deeper understanding of the utter disregard held for Black life within the United States. *Operation Ghetto Storm* is a window offering a cold, hard, and fact-based view into the thinking and practice of a government and a society that will spare no cost to control the lives of Black people. What *Operation Ghetto Storm* reveals is that the practice of executing Black people without pretense of a trial, jury, or judge is an integral part of the government's current overall strategy of containing the Black community in a state of perpetual colonial subjugation and exploitation

In July 2012, in the tradition of "*On Lynching*" by Ida B. Wells-Burnet and "*We Charge Genocide*" by William L. Patterson, the **Malcolm X Grassroots Movement** released a critical report that exposed the fact that in the first six months of the year a Black man, woman, or child was summarily executed by the police, and a smaller number of security guards and self-appointed vigilantes, *Every 36 Hours!* But, the July 2012 report did not tell the whole story. Further investigation revealed a more accurate and gruesome number of extrajudicial killings during the first six months of the year. And true to form, the assault on Black life stayed consistent for the last six months of the year, resulting in the extrajudicial killing of at least 313 Black people in 2012, or one *Every 28 Hours!*

**Setting the Record Straight**

If not for our investigation, this gruesome reality would largely be ignored. The United States government has no interest in revealing these facts and police unions actively suppress them. The corporate media is so permeated with white supremacist and capitalist assumptions and rationalizations that reporters and editors deem these killings unworthy of note. With one important exception: They use the stories of "officer-involved killings" to reinforce a stereotypical, but strategic depiction of the most dispossessed sectors of the Black working class as criminal commodities, fit for disposal.

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This demonization of Black "targets" reinforces the insidious propaganda of the United States government and its supporters, that the United States is the most democratic and socially liberated country on Earth. But, any critical observer and thinker must ask, how can the supposedly "most democratic" country on Earth be the largest jailer on the planet? What

types of "legitimate" democratic processes result in nearly half of the countries prison population being Black, while Black people only comprise 13% of the total population of the United States? What types of resources, planning, coordination and programmatic



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implementation go into arresting, convicting, imprisoning or deporting over 10 million people annually? And what can possibly justify the extrajudicial killing of at least 313 Black people in one year?

Genuine and healthy democracies do not spend more than 50% of their budgetary resources on their militaries, domestic “law enforcement” agencies, and prisons. The fact that the United States government spends this amount demonstrates that the United States is neither a genuine democracy nor a “healthy” society in any form or fashion. The United States is a European settler-colonial project that has erected a racial state to enforce and maintain a rigid order of white supremacy, colonial occupation, and capitalist exploitation. As the facts presented herein attest, the United States is one of the most repressive and brutal societies in the world, particularly to oppressed peoples like Blacks, Native Americans, and Latinos. The rates of extrajudicial killings on the US rival only those perpetrated against the Indigenous people of Palestine, Mexico, Guatemala and the Amazonian region, and African-descendants in Brazil and Colombia.

### **The War Against Black People**

In order to contain the oppressed peoples within its colonial possessions, the United States settler-colonial government has built the most full-spectrum network of repressive enforcement structures in human history. They include the Police, Sheriff’s, Rangers, Customs, FBI, Homeland Security (including INS), CIA, Secret Service, prison guards, as well as the numerous private security and other protective services. It has also created the largest and most invasive surveillance system in human history. This system includes everything from satellites, police, FBI, and DHS operated surveillance drones, and electronic tracking and monitoring via our cellphones, computers, tablets, email, Facebook, Twitter, and chip-filled passports, driver’s licenses, and identification cards.

These forces of occupation and repression have been strategically deployed over the last 70 years to wage a grand strategy of “domestic” pacification to sustain the colonial occupation of North America via a never

ending series of containment campaigns that amount to nothing less than a “perpetual war”. This “perpetual war” has been known by many names over the last seven decades such as the “Cold War”, COINTELPRO”, the” War on Drugs”, the “War on Gangs”, the “War on Crime”, and most recently, the “War on Terrorism”. This pacification strategy is designed to contain the various peoples’, social, and religious movements that resist the colonial order of white supremacy inside the United States, the post World War II imperialist world-system, and the vicious strategy of neo-liberal accumulation by dispossession that it has been aggressively imposing on its citizens, colonial subjects, and the rest of the world. The most visible component of this pacification campaign inside the

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U.S. has seen the astronomical increase in the incarceration of Black people over the last 40 years.

This “perpetual war” intensified both quantitatively and qualitatively after the events of September 11, 2001. Exploiting those events as justification, the United States government launched a new series of imperialist conquests and occupations and further expanded its overall military operations and spending. It has also justified the creation of the Department of Homeland Security, which integrates domestic and international intelligence, surveillance, and repressive institutions of the United States government. Even further it has provided a rationale for the implementation of extensive “constitution free zones”, the expansion and deepening of the militarization of the police, and the passage of some of the most repressive legislation in United States history, such as the Patriot, Homeland Security, and National Defense Authorization Acts to name a few.

And the United States government’s grand strategy of domestic containment and pacification via perpetual war shows no signs of either slowing down or coming to an end on its own accord any time soon. Extrajudicial killings are clearly an indispensable tool in the United States government’s pacification pursuits.

### **Confronting the Crisis**

Despite being virtually ignored by the corporate media, our July 2012 report did receive considerable coverage in various Black and progressive media outlets. It’s dissemination via these channels insured that the *Every 36 Hours* report reached thousands of people throughout the United States and the world. It’s reception helped to stimulate righteous indignation and outrage in many isolated quarters. However, unchanneled and

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unorganized indignation and outrage are not enough. We must turn this indignation and outrage into organized, sustained, and determined mass action to stop this crisis.

As we noted in the July 2012 report, the first critical step is organizing the Black community to proactively defend itself. We must end our reliance on the model of protest mobilizations that occur *after* the

police have executed one of our loved ones. This must cease being our primary means of securing justice. We have to see the war on Black people for what it is and proactively organize ourselves to resist it. To aid in launching and promoting these necessary organizing initiatives, we have authored and released “***Let Your Motto Be Resistance: A Handbook on Organizing New Afrikan and Oppressed Communities for Self-Defense***”. It can be found at <http://mxgm.org/let-your-motto-be-resistance-a-handbook-on-organizing-new-afrikan-and-oppressed-communities-for-self-defense/>.



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“*Let Your Motto Be Resistance*” draws on the long history of Black peoples’ struggle to realize self-determination and defend our persons, our rights and our dignity from the assaults of the oppressive settler-colonial government and the forces of white supremacy. Building on this history “*Let Your Motto Be Resistance*” provides, in summary form, a vision of how we can (re)organize our communities from the ground up.

Self-defense in and of itself is not enough, however. We will not turn back “Operation Desert Storm” and the military machine that aims to keep Black and other oppressed people subordinate and contained, until we defeat and dismantle the systems of colonialism, national oppression, white supremacy, capitalism and imperialism. It is imperative that we build a broad and dynamic mass movement capable of transforming the system and building a new social order.

More specifically, the Malcolm X Grassroots Movement is calling for a broad alliance of Blacks, Indigenous peoples, Latinos, Arabs, Asians, and progressive whites that will challenge the various forms of state repression, including racial profiling, mass incarceration, mass deportation, displacement, and of course, extrajudicial killings. It is our hope that local, regional, and countrywide peoples’ alliances will form and stand as the core of the Peoples’ Self Defense Networks proposed in “*Let Your Motto be Resistance*”.

To honor the memory of every Black man, woman, and child summarily executed at the hands of the police and other agents of the United States government in 2012, let us organize our communities to end the terror being waged against us.

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## 2012 MEMORIAL PAGES



***We will never forget. May they rest in power.***

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Johnny Wright	Lenny Ellis	Michael Wudtee	Ricky McFadden
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Rudolph Wyatt	Tederalle Satchell	Tremayne Marshawn Williams	William Miller
Rudy Eugene	Tendai Nhekairo	Trevion Davis	William Sudduth
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Samuel Rivers	Terrance Lamar "Tank" Abrams	Tyre Leone	Name not released, 3/31/12
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			Name not released, 11/22/12

# Frequently Asked Questions



## **Why do you call this Report “Operation Ghetto Storm?”**

In 1991 the code name for the first U.S. invasion and occupation of Iraq was “Operation Desert Storm”. Some ten years later, at a military training program for police, an officer wore a T-shirt with an image of a city in flames and the caption, “Operation Ghetto Storm”. The shirt, and more importantly: the attitudes, training, policies and high tech military hardware embodied in that shirt sustain the occupation and war on Black and Brown communities inside the U.S. This 2012 Annual Report documents the extrajudicial killings that result from the perpetual war on Black people or “Operation Ghetto Storm”.

## **How did Operation Ghetto Storm develop and grow?**

This war on Black people, waged by a long line of administrations, has deep roots.

- **1960’s:** Police Departments first created paramilitary units, often called SWAT teams, to repress Black rebellions like the ones that swept all major U.S. cities in the 1960’s (Harlem, Watts, Newark, Detroit, Baltimore, Chicago etc).
- **1970’s:** In 1971, Nixon declared the “war on drugs” which gave a moralistic cover to the permanent military occupation of Black communities.
- **1980’s and on:** In 1986, Reagan issued a national directive that declared “illicit drugs a threat to national security.” For the next 25 years, an “infusion of military hardware, training and tactics has indoctrinated police officers—particularly SWAT officers and drug enforcement police—in the win-at-all-costs mentality of a soldier.”<sup>1</sup>



## **What’s the scope of Operation Ghetto Storm today ?**

- **Numbers:** In 2012, according to the US Bureau of Justice Statistics, there were 17,985 state and local law enforcement agencies, employing close to one million people.
- **Dollars:** Since 9/11 the Department of Homeland Security alone has doled out between \$30 and \$40 billion in direct grants to

state and local law enforcement agencies. This is on top of their local budgets and assistance received from a long list of other federal agencies, estimated at \$635 billion.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Overkill” by Radley Balko at <http://www.cato.org/publications/white-paper/overkill-rise-paramilitary-police-raids-america> p. 17. Also check Balko’s current writings for Huffington Post and Peter Cassidy’s writings, including <http://www.copi.com/articles/gstorm.html>. And check a Michigan State University bibliography on the rise of military policing which is at <http://staff.lib.msu.edu/harris23/crimjust/swat.htm>

<sup>2</sup> . Stephan Salisbury, “Weaponizing the Body Politic” at <http://www.tomdispatch.com/blog/175511/>. . In support of Mayor Bloomberg’s “army” (the NYPD) a New York Times columnist proposed that all cities with “crime” (read Black and Brown) problems, flood the streets of the inner cities with police, make them essentially open air prisons, as a way to reduce the expense of mass incarceration. See <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/26/nyregion/police-have-done-more-than-prisons-to-cut-crime-in-new-york.html?pagewanted=all>

▪ **Mission:** Local police forces no longer have the mission in Black and Brown communities (if they ever did) to “protect and serve” or even to enforce the laws. Rather, they are in a war to suppress Black and Brown communities. A former New York police captain, now a NY State Senator, testified that NYPD Commissioner Kelly told the NY State governor that young Black and Latino men were the focus of stop and frisk because “he wanted to instill



fear in them every time they leave their home...”<sup>3</sup>

▪ **Casualties of Operation**

**Ghetto Storm:** During the Viet Nam War—the war that has been a model for all imperialist wars since—a commander ordered his troops, “Kill Anything that Moves”.<sup>4</sup> Recently, a SWAT commander in a medium-sized Midwestern town reflected the same mentality, “We’ll stop anything that moves.” And a police chief said, “...the only people that are going to be able to deal with

these problems (“in high crime areas”) are highly-trained tactical teams...to clear a neighborhood and hold it.”<sup>5</sup>

- We are not saying that every extrajudicial killing listed in this Report is literally a casualty of Operation Ghetto Storm or the War on Black people. Rather the War on Black people brings police forces into Black communities with the marching orders, equipment and the mentality of an occupying army that inevitably results in systematic extrajudicial killings of citizens without respect for their human rights.

**How does this Report, “Every 28 Hours”, relate to the one you released in July 2012 called “Every 36 Hours”? How is it different?**

▪ **Going deeper:** This Annual Report adds a new FAQ Section. It represents our effort not only to document and show the patterns of extrajudicial killings, but also to explain them. These FAQ's respond to questions people asked in response to the July Report.

▪ **Larger view:** This 2012 Annual Report is more complete than the one released last July. As often as possible, it includes eyewitness accounts, not simply police reports. Online news reports typically do not follow-up on extrajudicial killings. For this Annual Report we

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/02/nyregion/kelly-intended-frisks-to-instill-fear-senator-testifies.html?partner=rssnyt&emc=rss&r=0> A recording made at a Brooklyn Police Station shows that Kelly's views permeate NYPD: “If you get too big of a crowd there, you know, they're going to get out of control, and they're going to think that they own the block. We own the block. They don't own the block, alright? They might live there, but we own the block, alright? We own the streets here.”

[http://www.democracynow.org/2013/4/4/testimony\\_recordings\\_at\\_trial\\_reveal\\_the](http://www.democracynow.org/2013/4/4/testimony_recordings_at_trial_reveal_the)

<sup>4</sup> . Nick Turse used the quote as a title of his recent book published 2013 by Metropolitan Press.

<sup>5</sup> . “Balko, Overkill”, p. 12

### **FAQ's: Annual Report finds one Extrajudicial Killing Every 28 Hours**

included whatever we could find that indicates when DA's or Grand juries ruled the killings "justified" and on the rare occasions, when officers and security guards were charged.

- **Worse totals:** The Report we released last July covered only the first six months of the year. This one includes extrajudicial killings of Black people from January thru December 2012. In preparing this Annual Report we also found some 36 additional cases from the first half of the year that we missed last July. In other words police, and to a lesser extent security guards and vigilantes killed a Black person every 28 hours in the first half of the year as well as during the second.
- **Same "Suspicion":** The cases in the second half of the year follow a similar pattern as the first. Most of the people who were killed were young Black men. They died because, to police, they looked suspicious and posed a threat to police sense of control. A small minority died because they were putting other peoples lives at risk.
- **Images:** As a memorial to the humanity of those who died, this Report includes photos of as many people we could find.

### **Does a Black person really get killed by police, security guard or vigilante every 28 hours?**

- **No:** No doubt it's worse than every 28 hours. After more than three months of marathon internet searching, we are sure that the actual number is closer to one state-sanctioned killing of a Black person **every 24 hours**. We found the names of more than 70 additional people killed by police whose race we could not confirm and countless others who the press never bothered to identify after police departments refused or delayed releasing their names. And, there were others who were in critical condition from police shootings, but the press never reported on whether they survived.

With time, we estimate another 60 to 80 cases might emerge—that would bring us to the horrible conclusion that "one Black person is killed every 24 hours by police, security guard or vigilantes." The 313 killings in this Report are only the ones we could verify in a timely way. With another few months of research, we could verify more, but with only one primary volunteer researcher, this is the best we could do and still release the Report before it contained "old news".



▪ **Defining “state sanctioned”:** The “state” includes all branches of government at the federal, state and local levels, as well as their law enforcement, and all other military agencies. It is clear how police are authorized by the state, their employer. Often, private security guards are “off-duty” police and sheriffs earning extra income by working for private businesses. Their largest employer is Wal-Mart and in Wal-Mart’s employ, with the state’s blessing, they killed at least two Black people this year.

A smaller number of white men we call “vigilantes” may also be state-sanctioned by “stand-your-ground”, “home-is-your-castle”, other laws and white supremacist customs that disproportionately absolve white killers of Black people. Eventually, when the political pressure is great enough, some killers may be charged, like George Zimmerman or Chris Reynold’s who held a pistol to the head of his employee and pulled the trigger twice. (He wasn’t arrested for two weeks, and recently his charge was reduced from murder to manslaughter.<sup>6</sup>)

**How reliable are your numbers? What are your sources?**

▪ **Police as sources:** Despite our best efforts, we must rely on each local police department for most of the information in this Report. A tiny minority of sheriff and police departments publish on-line details of all “officer-involved shootings”. But the majority issue sanitized, very sketchy, press releases which present the authorities’ initial view of the event—often without naming “the suspect” or providing any verifiable details. The demonization of Black men runs through the fabric of all aspects of



U.S. culture and is especially apparent in the blatant disregard for the humanity of the targets of extrajudicial killing found in the corporate media. The media invariably names “the suspects” only to confirm that they “deserved to die” given their “criminal” record.<sup>7</sup> We have tried to break thru the narrative that, in essence, says “good riddance to the bad street kid” or “what a shame about the promising student or athlete.”

▪ **Alternative sources:** To find the data presented in this Report, it was necessary to click on five to ten websites, sometimes many more, to complete the entry on one killing. This is especially unfortunate because most media echo police reports and police reports are notorious for “testilying.” One study found 76% of officers said they frequently bent the facts to establish “probable cause;” and 48% of police themselves said judges were correct

<sup>6</sup> . Details the killing of Ernest Hoskins Jr, 11/9/2012, are in the Tables that follow

<sup>7</sup> . Often a “long criminal history” turns out to be not much more than a list of offenses like failing to pay traffic tickets or possession of marijuana or other offenses that are considered “youthful indiscretions” by middle class white youth.

in tossing police testimony as untrustworthy.<sup>8</sup> Frequently, when names are withheld, the corporate press never bothers to follow-up. And to ascertain whether someone died after police shot them, whether they were Black, whether they really posed a threat, often required multiple clicks to find obituaries, facebook entries, comments in community press and “images”. Some departments are especially opaque: Philadelphia, Detroit and Chicago, among others, offer very incomplete reports on their killings.

▪ **Verification:** The sources for the information offered on the Tables are public and available via the internet to anyone dedicated to the task of clicking multiple times on each case until there are no more new entries for a given killing. Often, the corporate media offered very little information from witnesses or non-police interpretations of events. Those we found in “comments” sections of local press, social media and obituaries. Rather than flood the 313 entries with 1500-2000 footnotes, we invite you to contact us for sources or verify the information we offer by googling “*name* killed by police in *place*” and keep clicking. We also urge you to consider that the hegemonic narrative that accepts police versions of events should be questioned as skeptically as any other view.

▪ **No required reporting:** There is no centralized database that keeps track of extrajudicial killings by police. Back in 2001, the New York Times noted that statistics on police shootings were “piecemeal products of spotty collection dependent on the cooperation of more than 1700 local police departments.”<sup>9</sup> In the last 12 years, despite the police receiving billions of tax dollars from federal programs, there is still no requirement that mandates the police to submit data on the outcomes of our federal or local investment. This lack of accounting is by design. With no numbers, there can be no studies, no analysis of trends and no accountability. Nearly all homicides committed by police can be written off as “justified” and that is the way police unions, departments, and federal authorities want it.<sup>10</sup>

Our orientation is to remember President Bush lied about “weapons of mass destruction” in Iraq to justify the invasion of that country. Given those big lies, there is little to prevent local governments, from lying about “guys in hoodies reaching in their waistbands” in order to justify to police killings in Black communities.



<sup>8</sup> These findings were from 1987, but there have been no institutional changes to suggest “testilying” is less common today. See Nick Malinowski. “Cops are liars who get away with perjury” at [www.vice.com](http://www.vice.com)

<sup>9</sup> [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/radley-balko/why-is-there-no-good-data\\_b\\_2278013.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/radley-balko/why-is-there-no-good-data_b_2278013.html)

<sup>10</sup> Stephan Salisbury at <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/sunday-commentary/2012>

**More than 8000 Black people get killed each year in intra-communal violence, so why pay so much attention to a few hundred killed by police?**



▪ **Different issues:** We certainly do not intend to minimize the horror and importance of the thousands of Black people who tragically die at the hands of other Black people each year. However, to a large degree, those killings are not directly sponsored or sanctioned by federal, state and local governments. On the other hand, police, sheriffs, security guards and, to a certain extent self-appointed enforcers of law (vigilantes) ARE “authorized” by

governments and paid for by taxes. They are hardly accountable for these killings and even less frequently charged in a court of law. In contrast, both the victims who survive and the perpetrators of “Black-on-Black” crime end up as part of the million Black people incarcerated in the U.S. at any given time.

▪ **State promotion of intra-communal violence:** Of course, we are committed to putting an end to the scourge of intra-communal violence. In order to stop it, we must understand how the state—especially the CIA, its offshoots and other members of the invisible government—has a deep-rooted responsibility for intra-communal violence.

Drug trafficking either directly thru turf wars, or indirectly by ripping apart the social fabric of Black communities and perpetuating a predatory culture, is the cornerstone of intra-communal violence. And at least as far back as the 1940’s the CIA’s institutional ancestors cut deals with drug traffickers like Lucky Luciano. Over the decades, the “drug connection has been integral to the U.S. war machine whose purpose is to maintain U.S. global dominance.<sup>11</sup> Consider that opium production doubled since the U.S. invaded Afghanistan. Careful research has exposed “US backdoor covert foreign policy as the largest single cause of illicit drugs flooding the world today.”<sup>12</sup>

▪ **Banking system and drug trafficking:** In addition to propping up U.S. foreign policy, drug trafficking is major business for the international and U.S. banking system. Each year, between \$500 billion and \$One trillion of international drug proceeds are deposited into banks accounts—half of which are in the U.S. After the 2008 economic crash, the head of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, reported, “Drug money worth billions of dollars kept the U.S. financial system afloat at the height of the global crisis.”<sup>13</sup> U.S.

<sup>11</sup> Peter Dale Scott. *American War Machine: Deep Politics, the CIA Global Drug Connection and the Road to Afghanistan.* Published by Littlefield and Rowan, 2010, p. 11 version available in online “Nook” edition, <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/sample/read/9780742555945>

<sup>12</sup> Peter Dale Scott, p. 20

<sup>13</sup> Peter Dale Scott <http://www.globalresearch.ca/obama-and-afghanistan-america-s-drug-corrupted-war/16713>

superbanks, like Citibank, are still dependent on hundreds of billions in illicit drug profits which they launder each year.<sup>14</sup>

▪ **CIA and drug cartels:** The US government not only promotes drug trafficking to support and maintain foreign policy and to prop up the US economy. Thru the CIA and other organizations, they also directly manipulate the deadly competition among various drug cartels that overflows into the streets of Chicago, Los Angeles and every other city where gangs engage in fratricidal violence over turf. For example, the CIA has arrested or eliminated a number of major Colombian traffickers.



These arrests have not diminished the actual flow of cocaine into the U.S. Rather they have institutionalized the relationship of law enforcement to rival cartels and visibly contributed to the increase of urban cartel violence, both abroad and inside the U.S.<sup>15</sup>

▪ **Local police and trafficking:** At the local level, there is also a form of asymmetric interdependence between law enforcement personnel and “criminals”. In a detailed study of the militarization of police, Balko wrote, “Criminals have been turned into instruments of law enforcement (as paid informants and when making deals to avoid long jail sentences); while law enforcement have become criminal co-conspirators”.<sup>16</sup> (in sting operations and the dealings of corrupt cops.)

A number of websites publish information on a litany of scandals where police involvement in drug trafficking and other criminal activity are exposed. At [www.policemisconduct.net](http://www.policemisconduct.net) for the year 2012, they reported police involvement in trafficking in more than 40 towns and cities—ranging from Jasper, AL and Hatboro, PA to large metropolitan areas like Chicago, Atlanta, Dallas, Philadelphia, Houston, Memphis and others where we find high rates of extrajudicial killings. The offenses include tipping off drug dealers about impending raids, actual participation in trafficking, theft of narcotics from dealers, gangs and police storerooms, and providing protection, security and escort services to dealers.

Narcotics detectives, vice squads and other special ops units are over-represented in the list of crooked cops who have a stake in the same drug trafficking that results in the killings of thousands of Black people each year. In 2012, police chiefs in five towns were exposed as drug criminals. Finally, it is important to note, that once these officers are caught, they usually plead guilty and make a deal for sentences that are significantly lower than the sentences received by the “average gangbanger.”

<sup>14</sup> Peter Dale Scott <http://www.globalresearch.ca/obama-and-afghanistan-america-s-drug-corrupted-war/16713>

<sup>15</sup> Peter Dale Scott, *American War Machine*, p. 23

<sup>16</sup> Radley Balko, *Overkill*, 2006, published by Cato Institute, p. 21



**How do these numbers compare with the killing of white people?**

▪ **Sample data:** Since there is no national database that keeps track of state sanctioned these killings let alone one that analyzes the data by race, it is impossible to give a comprehensive answer. The partial studies that do exist consistently find that Black people are killed by police, security guards and vigilantes in numbers dramatically out of proportion to their share in the population.<sup>17</sup> But we do have sample data that give a strong indication of how extreme the disparity is. In both large cities like Chicago and small towns like Saginaw, Michigan, nearly all the people who are killed extrajudicially are Black, although they are not even the majority of the population of those cities.

**2012 Comparison of Black, Latino and White Extrajudicial Killings in Five Cities**

City	% of <b>Black</b> people in the population*	% of people killed by police who were <b>Black</b>	% of <b>Latino</b> people in population	% of people killed by police who were <b>Latino</b> (non Afro)	% of <b>white</b> (non-Latino) people in the population	% of people killed by police who were <b>white</b> , non-Latino
Chicago, IL	32.9%	91% (21)	28.9%	4% (1)	31.7%	4% (1)
Houston, TX**	23.7%	48% (12)	43.8%	12% (3)	25.6%	(8)
New York, NY	28.6%	87% (20)	25.5%	9% (2)	33.3%	4% (1)
Rockford, IL	20.5%	100% (3)	15.8%	0% (0)	58.4%	0% (0)
Saginaw, MI	46.1%	100% (4)	14.3%	0% (0)	37.5%	0% (0)

\*Population percentages are from <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/>

\*\* The race of 4 of the 25 (16%) killed in Houston was not identified.

▪ **Taser death disparity:** An organization that keeps track of taser deaths has found that 41% of those who died between 2009 and 2013 from police tasers have been Black.<sup>18</sup> Black people are about 13% of the U.S. population.

▪ **Excessive force against white people:** One can find many cases where police use excessive force against white people—especially against those who have been diagnosed with mental illness and/or are self-medicated. It seems that a larger percentage of white people who are killed extrajudicially by police are involved with shootouts with the police. The recent killings of law enforcement agents by members of the Aryan Brotherhood may indicate a more widespread willingness on the part of white criminals to go toe-to-toe with law enforcement.<sup>19</sup> When police shoot violent meth-traffickers, these killings are either the result of traditional policing or the indirect effects of Operation Ghetto Storm. Police developed their militarized shoot-to-kill approaches for dealing with Black and Brown people which tend to spill over to their approach to white people. However, extrajudicial killing of white people is not institutionalized and encouraged by the systematic demonization of a “racial” group, “stop and frisk” or other racial profiling systems.

<sup>17</sup> . Jeff Kelly Lowenstein. “Killed by the Cops”, published by Colorlines at [http://www.colorlines.com/archives/2007/11/killed\\_by\\_the\\_cops](http://www.colorlines.com/archives/2007/11/killed_by_the_cops). Salisbury cites similar studies at Stephan Salisbury at <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/sunday-commentary/2012>

<sup>18</sup> . <http://electronicvillage.blogspot.com/2009/05/taser-related-deaths-in-united-states.html>

<sup>19</sup> . [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/04/02/jay-hileman-texas-aryan-brotherhood\\_n\\_3002012.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/04/02/jay-hileman-texas-aryan-brotherhood_n_3002012.html)

### How do extrajudicial killings relate to Black Women?



▪ **No protection:** The traditional patriarchal narrative tells us that women are the “weaker sex” in need of protection. But for Black women that narrative abruptly ends. “Protect and Serve” does not include them. Although the numbers of Black women who have been murdered at the hands of the police are not as high as Black men’s, it is clear that Black women are not safe, let alone protected, in the hands of law enforcement. Take the case of Alesia Thomas who died from cardiac arrest in the back of a police car after police restrained her hands and ankles and kicked her in the groin. Or think about

the 11 cases of Black women who were murdered by the careless actions of police officers in car chases/crashes, ‘accidental’ firearms discharge, and stray bullets. (See *Tables for Details*)

▪ **9-1-1:** The oppression of Black women also plays itself out with the killings of Black men via women’s calls to 911 for assistance with emotionally disturbed or abusive/threatening sons/grandsons/brothers/fathers/husbands/significant others. Instead of being forced to rely on the state (“the greatest purveyor of violence” in the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.) – the development of grassroots community crisis intervention and mediation workers would lighten the burdens that single mothers and survivors of domestic violence carry. Grassroots support would also build towards more community self-reliance.

### What about resources for stopping these modern-day lynchings?

▪ Spread the word. Share this Report, *Operation Ghetto Storm*. Online copies of this Report are available at [www.mxgm.org](http://www.mxgm.org) or [www.operationghettostorm.org](http://www.operationghettostorm.org)

▪ Educate yourselves and others. A learner-centered curriculum to accompany this Report called, *We Charge Genocide Again*, will be available at [www.mxgm.org](http://www.mxgm.org) or [tongo\\_eisen\\_martin@yahoo.com](mailto:tongo_eisen_martin@yahoo.com)

▪ Organize. Peoples’ Self Defense Networks, mass community-based organizations and alliances. For details, read and discuss, *Let Your Motto be Resistance* also available at [www.mxgm.org](http://www.mxgm.org)

▪ Do not forget our martyrs. Build a culture of respect and resistance. See, for example, *Every 36 Hours*, the CD.

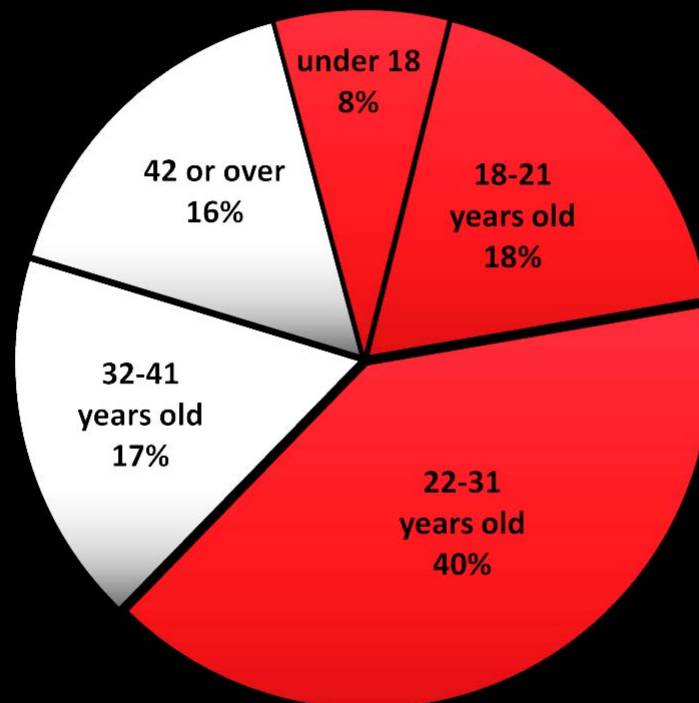
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***In 2012, 313 Black people were executed without trial by police, security guards and self-appointed law enforcers. What are the patterns and stories these numbers tell?***

**1. Age: These executions destroy Black communities' future and spirit by stealing the lives of our youth. Of the 313 lives taken:**

- ✓ 25 or 8% were children under 18 years old.
- ✓ 57 or 18% were 18-21 years old, just entering adulthood.
- ✓ 124 or 40% were 22-31 years old.
- ✓ 54 or 17% were 32-41 years old
- ✓ 32 or 10% were 42-51 years old
- ✓ 18 or 6% were over 52 years
- ✓ 3 or 1% were of undetermined age.

**66% of the People Killed Were  
Between the Ages of 2 and 31**



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**2. Cities and Towns: These executions continue nationwide: from north to south; east to west; in rural towns and large metropolitan areas. Like in the years of lynching, there is no geographic sanctuary. Yet some cities (those highlighted in red) execute Black people without trial in numbers vastly disproportionate to the size of their Black populations. Here are the cities with 3 or more executions. (Population numbers come from: the U.S. Census website: [quickfacts.census.gov](http://quickfacts.census.gov))**

**Cities where three\* or more Black people were executed during the year of 2012**

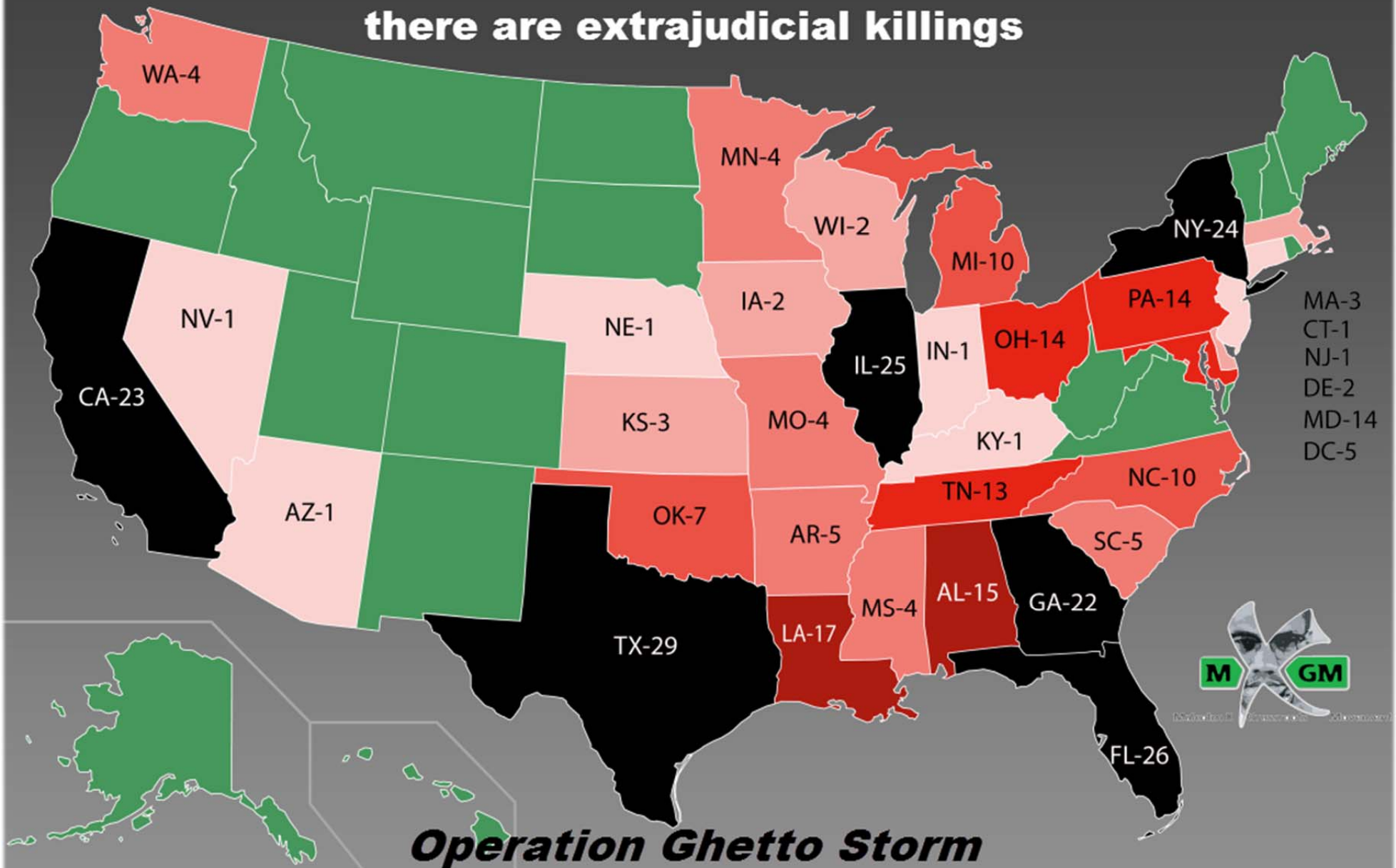
City	# Executed 1/1/12- 12/31/12	Black Population (From 2010 Census)	Ratio of deaths per million Black people
Chicago Metro, IL (incl Maywood, Calumet City, Richton Pk, Dolton, Riverdale)	21	946,745	22
New York City Metro, NY	20	2,084,659	10
Atlanta Metro, GA (incl Clayton/DeKalb Cty's)	18	396,115	45
Houston Metro, TX (and rest of Harris County)	12	803,949	15
Baltimore, MD	11	395,552	28
Memphis, TN	11	409,481	27
Dallas, TX	10	532,831	19
Birmingham Metro, AL	7	155,791	45
Jacksonville, FL	7	252,288	28
New Orleans Metro, LA	7	212,935	33
Philadelphia, PA**	7 (14?)	662,286	11 (21?)
Detroit, MI	6	590,294	10
Washington DC Metro (Silver Spring, Landover, New Carrollton)	6	351,059	17
Cleveland Metro, OH	5	227,282	22
Los Angeles Metro (Pasadena, Bellflower)	5	389,490	13
Miami/Dade County (and Pompano Beach)	5	521,925	10
Cincinnati, OH	4	133,034	30
Columbus, OH	4	220,380	18
Minneapolis/St Paul Metro, MN	4	116,387	34
St Louis, MO	4	157,093	25
Saginaw, MI	4	23,745	168
Tulsa, OK	4	62,313	64
Fayetteville, NC	3	84,036	36
Rockford, IL	3	31,206	96
San Bernardino, CA	3	31,492	95
Shreveport, LA	3	109,023	28
Wichita, KS	3	43,974	68

\*Two Black people were extrajudicially killed in each of the following cities and towns: Boston, Dolhan, AL, Galveston, Little Rock, Seattle, Selma, Stockton, CA and Vallejo, CA. In a small town like Dothan, AL with a Black population of only 21,286, the killing of two brings a higher murder rate to that town than the killing of many more in the large cities.

\*\* It is likely that police in Philadelphia killed an additional 7 Black people during 2012. We could only confirm 7 killings because the Philadelphia press usually reproduces Police Department Press Releases which are invariably sketchy, without names or details and publishes no follow-up. The following are the dates on which there were small items on police-involved killings with not enough verifiable details to include in our tabulation: 5/10/12, 7/6/12, 7/13/12, 8/23/12, 8/27/12, 11/12/12, and 12/12/12. We also suspect that the press underreports the Detroit numbers of extrajudicial killings.

***Go to the next page for a map of the U.S. that shows the number of killings in each state.***

# Where there are Black people, there are extrajudicial killings



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### 3. Mental Health Issues

**A significant proportion of the 313 were killed because they suffered from mental health problems and/or were self-medicated (intoxicated) and behaved in ways the police thought they could not control.**

✓ 68 people or 22% had diagnosed mental health problems or had been self-medicating. Many of them might be alive today if community members trained and committed to humane crisis intervention and mental health treatment had been called, rather than the police.

✓ 12 people or 4% behaved in ways that indicated they had mental health problems and/or were self-medicated,

even though these conditions were not explicitly documented. (These are coded as “implied” on the tables that follow.) The number of people with mental health problems or people who were “high” is probably much higher than this estimation. Too many of the 313 killed people behaved in ways that might be labeled “crazy”.

✓ Whether the percentage of people with mental health problems who are killed by police is 22%, 26% or 50%<sup>1</sup>, we must conclude that police kill an unacceptable number of people because they “feel threatened” and perceive they cannot control them. (*Check the Tables for details.*)

✓ Action Item: If community members were trained and committed to humane crisis intervention and mental health care, many of these people might be alive today.

**4. What happens before the killings: After each killing, family, friends, and community members, demand to know how it happened? Why? How did these deadly encounters begin? Invariably the beginning of a chain of events that leads to death had little relation to making communities safer.**

✓ Calls to 9-1-1 for assistance with emotionally disturbed loved ones: 56 (19% of 313) deadly encounters began with calls to 9-1-1 to seek help in with emotionally disturbed household members. Imagine a situation like this: A mother or father calls 9-1-1 for an ambulance to take their frightened, agitated son to the hospital. Instead, two or more gun-toting police officers

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<sup>1</sup> . A recent article by Natasha Lennard at

[http://www.salon.com/2012/12/10/half\\_of\\_people\\_shot\\_by\\_police\\_are\\_mentally\\_ill\\_investigation\\_finds/](http://www.salon.com/2012/12/10/half_of_people_shot_by_police_are_mentally_ill_investigation_finds/) reported that 50% of those killed by police were mentally ill. But that conclusion is based on a convenience sample of only a few cities and states. It also includes people of all races. It is possible that the disproportionately fewer number of white people who are shot include a higher percentage of mentally ill and a lower percentage of people whose deadly encounters begin because of “walking while Black” or driving while Black.”

arrive and begin yelling commands which invariably escalate the crisis for the emotionally troubled person. He doesn't, indeed cannot, comply with police orders, they perceive that he may be a threat, so they shoot. (*Check the Tables for details*)

✓ **Racial profiling:** Encounters that began because the “suspect was engaged in suspicious behavior or looked suspicious or was driving suspiciously” show how often racial profiling leads to death. 135 (43% of 313) police accounts explicitly cite “suspicious behavior or appearance” or traffic violations (“driving while Black”) as the reason for their attempt to detain the person who they eventually killed. Specifically, there were 100 killings that started with a perception of “suspicious behavior or appearance” and 35 more that started with traffic violations or stops. (*Check the Tables for details.*)

✓ **Calls to 911 for assistance with domestic violence/abuse:** 22 (7% of 313) deadly encounters began with calls to 9-1-1 that report situations of domestic violence or abuse. These are primarily calls by estranged partners whose former lovers/husbands pose a serious threat to their lives. The 22 also include neighbors observing other neighbors in danger and a woman whose sister reported her for slashing her tires. (*Check the Tables for details*)

✓ **“Collateral damage to Operation Ghetto Storm”:** As in any war, “innocent civilians die.” 21 (about 7% of 313) of the people who were killed by police, security guards and self-appointed “guardians of law and order” did absolutely nothing that could be used as an excuse for detaining them, let alone killing them. Nor did the authorities claim that they did anything “suspicious”.

✓ **Criminal activity:** That leaves 76 people or 24% of the 313 who were killed in the course of police investigating activity defined as “criminal” in most states. (*In many states, it is not against the law to carry a weapon, although police frequently cite perceived weapons possession as a reason for suspicion and detention. Also, in most states, failure to follow an officer’s commands is illegal. E.g. It is a violation of the state law to run when an officer says “halt”. But here we are only talking about how the encounters were initiated, not what happened after the encounter.*)



**5. Not Armed: Most of the people executed were not armed.** The police and the corporate media often justify fatal shooting of “suspects” by loudly announcing that they were armed. Yet, it is legal to carry guns—even unregistered guns-- in most states.<sup>2</sup> We have tabulated the number of people killed by police who were armed, not because we agree with the authorities that weapons’ possession is in-itself a criminal activity—especially on the part of young Black men. Rather, we present this data only to demonstrate how flimsy police justification often is.

✓ 136 (or 44% of 313) had no weapon at all at the time they were executed.

✓ 83 (or 27% of 313) allegedly possessed a gun. It has been demonstrated that police reports of gun possession frequently turn out to be false.<sup>3</sup> Police are infamous for planting weapons or declaring that a cell phone, wallet or other harmless object is a gun. We, therefore, coded “armed status” as “alleged” if there was no corroboration that a suspect was indeed armed. Another 6 people or 2% were alleged to possess knives or other cutting tools.

✓ 62 (20% of the 313) Did, in fact, possess guns—and that total includes at least 3 toy or replica guns. Another 23 (7%) had verified knives or cutting implements.

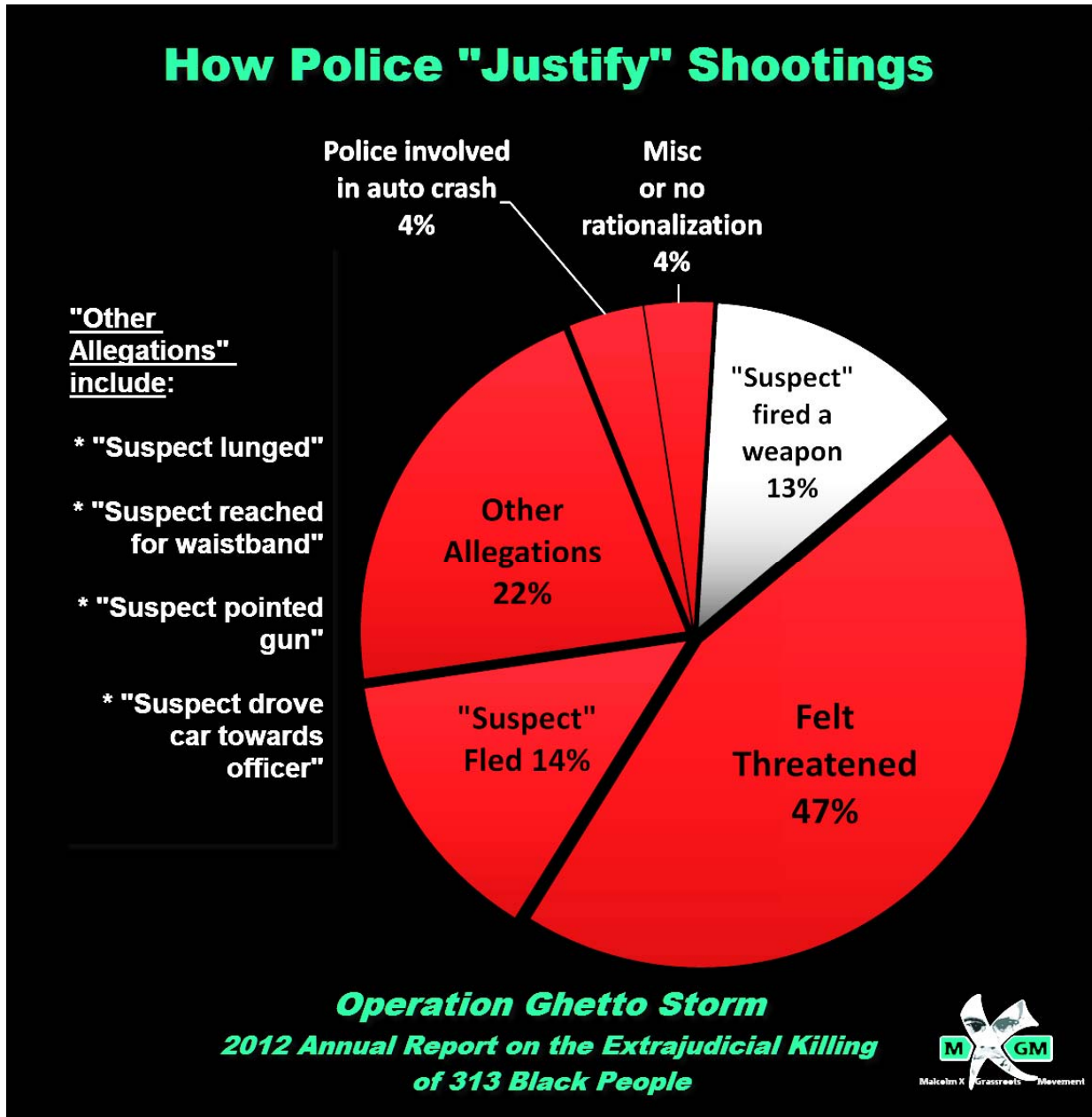
✓ It is also important to keep in mind that after reading through the details of 313 killings, only 42 of them (13%) involved a “suspect” definitely or allegedly shooting—which would make the gun possession illegal.



<sup>2</sup> . For a breakdown of the gun laws in each state see:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gun\\_laws\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States\\_by\\_state](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gun_laws_in_the_United_States_by_state)

<sup>3</sup> . An old study (1987), which is still relevant, documented that 76% of officers admitted that they frequently bent the facts to establish “probable cause” and 48% said that judges were correct in tossing out police testimony as untrustworthy. <http://www.vice.com/read/testilying-cops-are-liars-who-get-away-with-perjury>



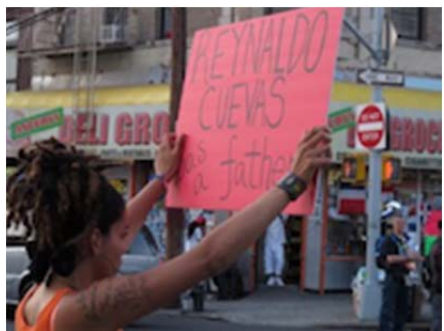


**6. "Justifications":** Police, and other extrajudicial killers, typically justify their murders with a variety of reports that end with them "having no choice but to use deadly force to defend themselves or others." It is difficult to know the extent to which they actually believe their rationalizations. A growing body of literature<sup>4</sup> points to the systematic militarization of police forces inside the U.S. They do not view themselves as protectors of the community or even law enforcers. Rather their recruitment, training, programming, policies for promotion—their culture—has transformed local police forces into

<sup>4</sup> See FAQ section of this Report which cites "Overkill" by Radley Balko at <http://www.cato.org/publications/white-paper/overkill-rise-paramilitary-police-raids-america> and his current writings for Huffington Post and Peter Cassidy's writings, including <http://www.copi.com/articles/gstorm.html>. And check a Michigan State University bibliography on the rise of military policing is at <http://staff.lib.msu.edu/harris23/crimjust/swat.htm>

occupying armies, where they view community members as the enemy. This us-vs-them mentality—layered with white supremacy, creates an “enemy” who is “semi-human,” demonized and feared. This is why they shoot-to-kill for all sorts of crimes (real or imagined) that would never earn the perpetrator the death penalty in a court of law. Here are the reasons they give so that their homicides are ruled “justified”: (*In some cases, police attempt to “justify” their killing with more than one reason or with only implied reasons. In those cases, we coded a case according to what seemed to be the most specific, pressing aspect of their argument. Check the Tables for details.*)

✓ Some 146 or 47%, nearly the majority of officers, security guards and vigilantes who fatally shot Black people in 2012 did so because they “felt threatened”, “feared for their life”, “were forced to shoot to protect themselves or others”. Most famously, Zimmerman made this claim to justify his shooting of Trayvon Martin. Police report, after police report reflect the same fear of Black people—especially young Black men. Police “feeling threatened” and perceiving that they have lost control are two sides of the same coin. And when a white supremacist (or an officer of color who has been trained by the white supremacist institution) perceives he or she has lost control, the impulse is to reassert their power by any means necessary. Grieving family members and community members invariably ask, “Why did he have to shoot him in the head? The back? The chest? Why couldn’t the cop just talk him down, or back up (if the suspect had a little knife) or tase him, or shoot out the tires etc etc.” The answer is that the officer is a soldier trained to kill anyone who is perceived as a threat to his control.



✓ In a variation of the police’s lethal response to the problem of losing control, 45 (14%) officers fatally shot “suspects”, because, they said, those people fled. In traditional policing to protect the community, a fleeing suspect may be detained and charged with the misdemeanor of resisting arrest. But with militarized policing, the fleeing “suspect” is treated as an enemy combatant and to be executed without trial.

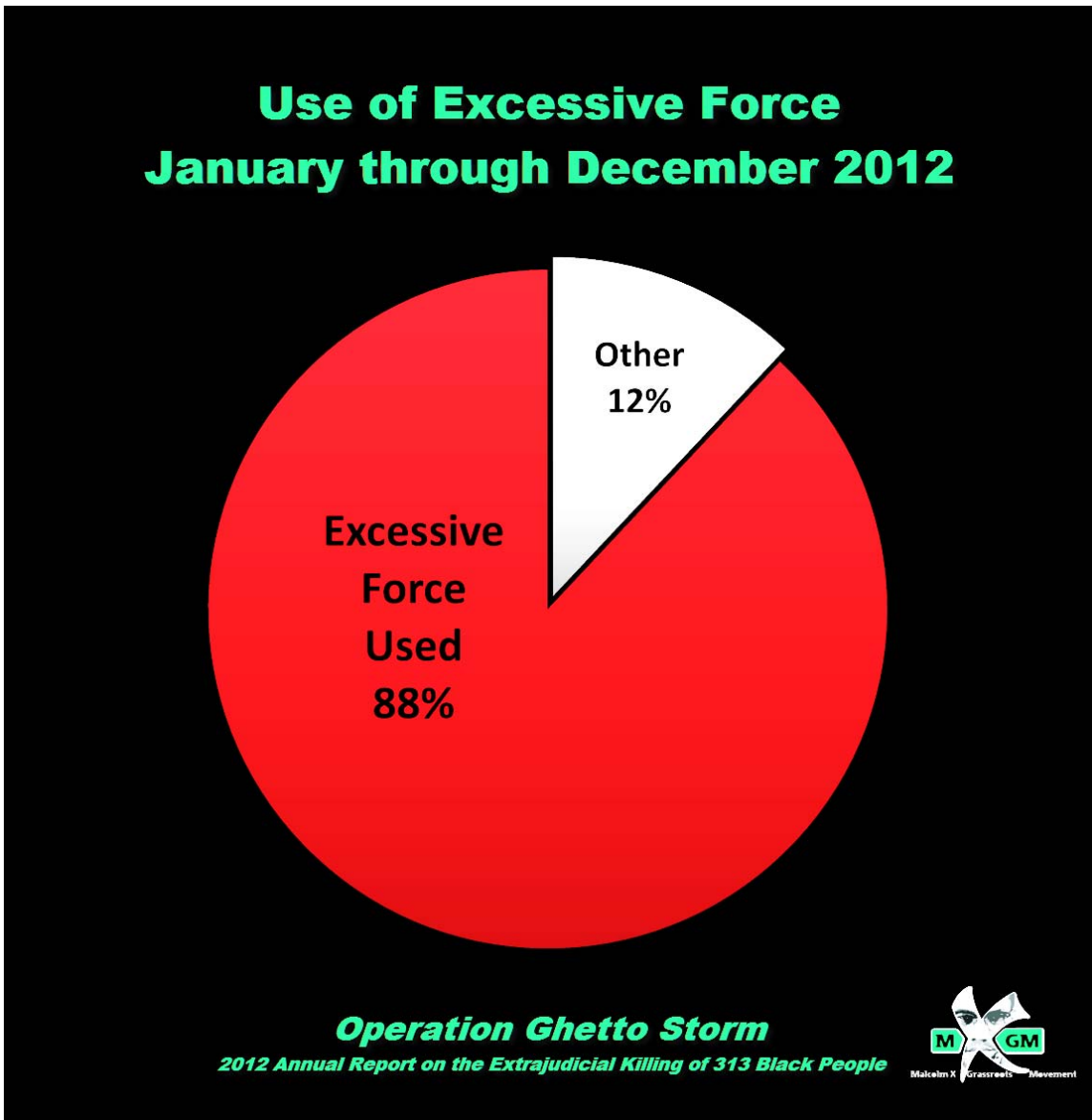
✓ In other variations of the rationalization of “feeling threatened”, the data show more specifically: 16 (5%) alleged the suspect drove their cars towards the officers. Another 23 (7%) claimed the “suspect” pointed a gun at them, 9 (3%) allegedly reached for their waistband and another 9 (3%) allegedly lunged at them. Very frequently, witnesses dispute these claims. It is unfortunate that the corporate media usually only gives voice to the police version of events.

✓ Some 12 (4%) people died when police crashed into them or caused them to crash. And in an additional 4% --miscellaneous or no rationalizations were given.

✓ That leaves only 42 or 13% who were involved in situations where the “suspect” fired a weapon either before or during the officer’s arrival. It is in this group that we find that some of the killings that may actually be actually justified. (*See next section*)

**7. Excessive Force in Extrajudicial Killings: Regardless of how these encounters begin, whether they involve activity that violates the laws of the state or the laws of basic human decency, no one should be sentenced to death without a trial. In most countries, even with a trial, capital punishment is considered barbaric. The use of deadly force is almost always “excessive” (and extrajudicial by international human rights standards) except in the following circumstances:**

If the facts reported are true, 25 cases in this 2012 Report or 8%, involve situations where the “suspect” shot at, wounded and/or killed a police officer and/or others while the police were on the scene. Although it would have been preferable to stop them with non-lethal force, the use of lethal force in these circumstances cannot be considered excessive. In an additional 13 cases (4%) the facts of the surrounding the killing are unclear or sparsely reported. These are coded “TBD” in the “excessive force” column. But in the remaining 275 (88%) cases, killings were extrajudicial, that is, they used lethal force with no legitimate justification and violated peoples’ basic human rights.





**8. The women: 23 (7%) out of the 313 executed people were women.** 11 were killed accidentally or in crashes; 3 of the deadly encounters were with women who had mental illness or were self-medicated or both; 2 were accused “car thieves”; 2 were “innocent bystanders”; 4 fled police; one slashed her sister’s tires and one was allegedly involved in criminal activity –a kidnapping. *(Please see tables for details)*

**9. Impunity: The “justice system” gives impunity those who commit homicide. The names of only a few of the 313 people on this death roll have become nationally-known rallying cries for justice: like Trayvon Martin and Remarley Graham.** Their murders have sparked massive mobilizations, media commentary, calls for government

intervention, lawsuits and endless legal wrangling. However, after the initial announcements in local news media, the lives of most of those who were executed are forgotten. In some cases, scanty police reports and press coverage barely note their deaths at all. It is deliberate and perpetuates the impunity of police that there is no centralized database that documents killings by police, extrajudicial or otherwise.<sup>5</sup>

The standard procedure in most jurisdictions is for police involved in fatal shootings to be given paid “desk-duty” while the department conducts an investigation of itself. The press applauds their fine records while it screams about the criminal records of the deceased. Almost all killer cops are routinely exonerated and quickly return to the street. Grieving families who invariably ask the modest question, “Why did he have to die?” are ignored. If there is some demonstrated, concerted community outrage, the case may be further investigated. The legal system rarely charges these executioners and even if they do, the killing continues. A number of families attempt legal redress through the civil courts. After years of litigation a tiny minority may gain some solace from a financial payment. And the executions continue.

✓ 90 of the Black people who were executed in 2012 seem to have been forgotten. A careful internet search could not find their names after a brief announcement of their killings.

✓ There were 25 killings by vigilantes and security guards who were NOT police or sheriffs moonlighting for extra pay. This 25 includes the killers of Trayvon Martin, Darrius Simmons, Jordan Russell Davis and the Tulsa Three. Out of the 25, fifteen have been charged. Security Guards who work for Wal-Mart, the largest employer of security guards, are less likely to be charged.



<sup>5</sup> [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/radley-balko/why-is-there-no-good-data\\_b\\_2278013.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/radley-balko/why-is-there-no-good-data_b_2278013.html) and <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/sunday-commentary/20120810-stephan-salisbury-police-shootings-go-largely-ignored.ece>







*July 24, 2012, people in gather at Dixon Circle in Dallas, Texas in outrage at the police fatal shooting of James Harper.*





- ✓ Only eight killer cops have been charged: 3 for vehicular crimes stemming from their crashes, 5 for manslaughter—the killers of Remarley Graham, Wendell Allen, Dane Garrett Scott Jr, Christopher Brown, and Bobby Moore Jr. District Attorneys or Grand Juries only press charges in cases that involve overwhelming community pressure. If we take the 275 homicides that involved excessive force and subtract the 25 committed by security guards and vigilantes, the remaining 250 are homicides committed by police and sheriffs. That means only 3% of officers who commit homicides are charged.
- ✓ That is, in 275 cases of extrajudicial killings (excludes cases that may be “justified”), the legal system has only charged 23 people, or 8.4% and a disproportionate number of those were security guards and self-appointed law enforcers. The outcome of these charges is yet to be determined.
- ✓ Even when all the evidence points to police culpability, District Attorneys and Grand Juries invariably rule that the homicides they committed were justified. On July 11, 2012, for example, four months after even Newburg’s Mayor and City Council called for an investigation by the Grand Jury and the Governor, the Grand Jury ruled the officers who shot Michael Lembhard in the back were justified. Governor Cuomo refused to intervene. Towards the end of the year, in Macon, Georgia, again after mass community mobilization and a former mayor’s intervention, the DA announced that the killing of Sammie “Junebug” Davis—a harmless, emotionally distraught man—was “tragic but justified”. (See “Aftermath” column in the tables for details.)
- ✓ In a dramatic and unique exception during 2012, the family of Rekia Boyd won a \$4.5 million suit against the City of Chicago and Police Department for systemic police misconduct. And as we go to press, there is news that Trayvon Martin’s family also won a large civil suit.

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1/1/2012	 Canard Arnold	17	Atlanta	GA	alleged	Christopher Hambrick, a white security guard alleged he felt his life was in danger when Arnold was involved in a shooting with another man, so he fatally shot Arnold. Witnesses say that Arnold was unarmed and running away from a gunfight that others were involved in. Also witnesses say that Arnold never confronted or threatened the security guard. He was shot in the back.	no	yes	Family calls Hambrick a white vigilante and has campaigned for his arrest. City authorities have ruled this shooting justifiable.
1/1/2012	 Michael Smith	52	Chicago	IL	alleged	Police were responding to reports of criminal activity in the area. Smith allegedly emerged from an alley and pointed a gun at police. After he allegedly ignored their orders to drop the weapon, they fired.	no	yes	NA
1/9/2012	 Phillip Brown	18	Houston Metro(Harris County)	TX	no	Deputy D. Warren responded to a report of a house being burglarized. Three, including Brown, attempted to escape. Brown ran out the back door and scuffled with the Deputy whose gun "accidentally" went off.	no	yes	NA
1/9/2012	 Sean Egana	30	New Orleans (Metro: Jefferson Parish)	LA	yes	Egana allegedly burglarized a house and using a gun stolen from there, he carjacked a vehicle and then led police on a high speed chase. Egana crashed and allegedly fired at police when he got out of the car. "They cut him down in a fusillade" of 11 shots. No officers were injured.	no	TBD	Egana's mother could not believe the police's allegation that her son would be stupid enough to fire on police.

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1/10/2012	 Johnny Wright	23	Miami Metro, (Pompano Beach, Broward County)	FL	yes	Undercover Broward County Sheriffs set up a meeting with Wright to buy firearms. Wright allegedly pulled a weapon on undercover sheriffs and tried to flee. He did not fire.	no	yes	NA
1/12/2012	 Donald Johnson	21	New Orleans	LA	yes	NOPD reported they shot Johnson after he led them on a chase and fired on them. He was allegedly involved in a shooting that left 3 dead and 2 wounded.	no	no	The six NOPD involved in the shooting were on desk duty for more than a month until investigation found the killing "justifiable"
1/12/2012	 Dwayne Brown	26	New York City, (Brooklyn - East NY)	NY	alleged	Neighbor called 911 about a robbery. Brown emerged from his home in his pajamas to check on the commotion. Police alleged he had a gun. Witnesses said police did not issue a command before they shot him.	no	yes	NYC Councilman Barron called for an investigation. At a press conference with family members, they pointed out that the robbers escaped while Brown was killed.
1/13/2012	 Daryl L. Atkins	59	St Johns County	FL	yes	Atkins arrived home in visibly drunk state and held a gun to his head and said "boom". Neighbors called police. When deputies arrived they exchanged gunfire with Atkins	yes	no	Media called this case "suicide by cop".

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1/14/2012	 Craig Ruise Jr	17	Jacksonville	FL	yes (with toy gun)	Sheriffs staked out a Kangaroo Gas Station convenience store where there had been a number of robberies. They observed Ruise point a gun at clerks. When Ruise exited, sheriffs drew their weapons and ordered Ruise to surrender. When he did not immediately do so they shot him 7-8 times. The gun was a plastic toy painted black.	no	yes	Police call the killing "justifiable" because they had no way of knowing the gun was not real.
1/17/2012	 Angelo Clark	31	Little Rock	AR	alleged	Killed by SWAT serving drug-related search warrant. Clark allegedly pointed an AK-47 at them. Note: Clark had no way of knowing the people who broke into his home were police until after they had shot him.	no	TBD	NA
1/17/2012	 Ja'Ray J. Coster	19	New Orleans (Metro: Jefferson Parish)	LA	no	Coster was a passenger in a car that had been reported stolen. A traffic camera recognized the license plate and police were alerted. They gave chase. The car, driven by a 16 year old, crashed. Coster made a "menacing move" as he lay on the ground after the crash. Officers shot him.	no	yes	NA
1/24/2012	 Aaron Nathaniel McCoy	20	Baltimore	MD	no	Police responded to a report of a burglary and spotted a car that matched the description. They followed the car in their cruiser and by helicopter. During the pursuit, McCoy collided with a jeep and truck and crashed into a telephone pole.	no	yes	NA






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1/26/2012	 Christopher Kissane	22	New York City, (Brooklyn - Cypress Hills)	NY	alleged	An off-duty police lieutenant fatally shot Kissane who he thought was involved in a carjacking. Officer claimed Kissane shot first.	no	yes	NA
1/28/2012	 Phillip K. Johnson	29	Rockford	IL	no	Officer Amado Soria stopped a car that met a description in a 911 call about "shots fired." Johnson was a passenger in the car. Soria shot him when he allegedly leaned forward and Soria assumed he was reaching for a gun.	no	yes	Officers reportedly found a gun in the car but there were 3 passengers in the car and it was not established who owned the gun. The homicide was ruled "justified" on June 21, 2012.
1/29/2012	 Atwain White	17	New York City, (Brooklyn - Bushwick)	NY	cane	An off-duty detective, Benjamin Cintron, alleged that White attempted to mug him near the subway station close to midnight. The detective shot him in chest. A 15-year old alleged accomplice was not charged.	no	yes	NA




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1/31/2012	 O'Patrick Fitzgerald Humphrey	33	Headland	AL	no	Humphrey had a documented history of mental illness. After a call that he was acting erratically, requesting help to take him to the hospital, police arrived. He tried to pull an officer out of the car, that officer fired a shot in the air. Another officer heard the shot, assumed the worst, and shot Humphrey.	yes	yes	Protesters marched and a suit against police for using excessive force has been filed. An April 22 Grand Jury exonerated the police. They refused to allow testimony from witnesses that contradicted the police.
2/1/2012	 Stephon Watts	15	Chicago Metro (Calumet City)	IL	no	Family allegedly called 911. Watts was a child with Asperger's Syndrome. Police reported he lashed out with a kitchen knife. Mother said he had a small harmless pen knife. Police Dept had been called to this house many times before. PD had experience in dealing with this emotionally disturbed child.	yes	yes	Calumet City police ruled the killing justified as "self defense" and the Cook County's State Attorney chose not to charge the officers with any wrongdoing. The family is suing for damages in wrongful death.
2/3/2012	 Lawrence Wallace Jr	24	Mobile	AL	yes	Lawrence stabbed an officer to death as officer was moving him from police car to Mobile County Metro Jail for booking on a robbery charge at a Dollar Store. After the stabbing, Lawrence fled in the patrol car, shot and wounded a second officer who gave chase and finally killed Lawrence.	no	no	The Mobile County DA said the matter would be presented to the Grand Jury as justifiable.




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2/3/2012	 Remarley Graham	18	New York City, (Bronx)	NY	no	Officer shot Graham after Narcotics Task Force followed Graham into his home. (Security cameras document that police falsely claimed Graham ran away from police.)	no	yes	Graham's murder evoked a huge local and national protest. On June 6, 2012, Richard Haste, Graham's killer, was out on \$50,000 bail on manslaughter charges. He is now suspended without pay. Family and community conduct weekly vigil for justice.
2/5/2012	 David Terrill Malloy	36	Rockingham	NC	no	Security guard, Kaleb Gabril McDonald, at a night club put Malloy in a choke hold because he was allegedly unruly. Malloy died.	no	yes	McDonald was charged with voluntary manslaughter.
2/6/2012	 Lamont Harmon	47	Sacramento Metro (Lawrence Park)	CA	no	Unarmed, Harmon was walking after he had gone to a 24-hr store for late night snack, on his way to his mother's house. (some reports say to friend's house). He tried to run when Sacramento County officers ordered him to stop because they suspected him of having stolen a car. A taser did not penetrate his winter coat. He allegedly "made a furtive move" that made the officer fear for his life" and the officer shot multiple times.	no	yes	After killing him, Sacramento County Sheriffs admitted he had no connection to the stolen car that was parked nearby. The media called it "a tragic coincidence, but he should not have run." Friends and family conducted a vigil. Reporters noted that since the DA announced she would no longer investigate police-involved shootings giving "official immunity" to police, killings by cops have spiked.




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2/8/2012	 Cory Lamar Jones	27	Dallas	TX	yes	Jones argued with a bus driver over validity of a transit pass. Driver reported him to a Transit Officer at the Arapaho Station. When transit officer approached , Jones allegedly started shooting. She returned fire. A bystander was killed and the transit officer and another bystander were wounded.	no	no	NA
2/10/2012	 Derrick Suttle	47	Chicago	IL	no	An off-duty Chicago police officer thought that the suspect was trying to force his garage door open by ramming it with a van. When the officer identified himself and told Suttle he was under arrest, the van attempted to run over the officer.	no	yes	NA
2/10/2012	 Jermie McCraven	20	Memphis	TN	no	Police responded to a call about prowlers. When officers arrived, suspects tried to "mow them down" with their car. Offices fatally shot McCraven and wounded the other suspect.	no	yes	NA




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2/10/2012	 Manuel Loggins Jr.	31	San Clemente	CA	no	Loggins was a former Marine Sergeant who followed a daily exercise and prayer routine with his two daughters, aged 9 & 14, at the track of a local school. His kids were waiting for him in his SUV when Orange County Deputy Sheriff, Darren Sandberg, shot and killed him. Sheriff initially said he feared for his own safety and later revised his story to say he feared for the girls' safety. Loggins' killing triggered huge controversy led by the Commander at Camp Pendleton, who defended Loggins, vs the Sheriff who maintained Loggins had provoked his own death by acting irrationally.	no	yes	The former mayor of San Clemente raised money for the marine's family. The widow filed a wrongful death suit in federal court and also accused the Sheriff's Dept of "false arrest and imprisonment" of their 2 daughters. On 9/28/12 the DA ruled the killing unfortunate but "justified". The DA's ruling was based on Sandberg's version of events and the statements of Loggins' 9 year old daughter which she made after being held in isolation for 13 hours thinking, "If I tell them what they want to hear, they'll let me go home."
2/12/2012	 Nicolas Samuel Underwood	24	Jacksonville	FL	alleged	An off-duty police officer who worked at the Club Aquaas as a security guard allegedly saw Underwood walk towards club with a pistol. When Underwood ignored security guard's order to stop, the guard shot him five times with an AR-15. Underwood had allegedly been kicked out of the Club earlier that night.	no	yes	Police spokesperson initially stated it seemed that the police officer was justified.
2/13/2012	 William Banks	26	Dallas	TX	alleged	Three police officers pursued Banks, a robbery suspect, in cars. When Banks fled on foot he allegedly pointed a gun at officers and was shot.	no	yes	NA




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2/13/2012	 Johnnie Kamahi Warren	43	Dothan	AL	no	Police were called to a bar after a report that an intoxicated man was causing a disturbance. They tasered him twice and he stopped breathing.	yes	yes	Results of the autopsy were not made available.
2/14/2012	 Michael McBride	52	New York City (Manhattan-Harlem)	NY	yes	A plainclothes detective from NYPD's Warrant Section had a shootout in a Harlem subway Station with McBride who was suspected of having shot his girlfriend's daughter.	no	no	Mayor Bloomberg held a press conference to praise the police killing of McBride.
2/21/2012	 Robert Henning	22	Los Angeles, (Paramount)	CA	no	Henning was suspected of "being under the influence". When deputies approached him, according to news reports, "there appeared to be a struggle" and a sheriff shot him.	yes	yes	NA

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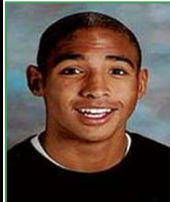

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2/26/2012	 Trayvon Martin	17	Sanford	FL	no	Shot and killed by George Zimmerman, self-appointed community watch coordinator who thought Martin looked suspicious.	no	yes	44 days of huge nationwide protests finally forced the arrest of Zimmerman on charges of 2nd degree murder. For updated details check <a href="http://www.huffingtonpost.com">www.huffingtonpost.com</a> His trial date is in June 2013.
2/28/2012	 Melvin Lawhorn	26	Kershaw County	SC	no	Shot by County Sheriff when he tried to avoid a drug traffic stop. Deputy claimed he fatally shot Lawhorn as he was being dragged by suspect's vehicle.	no	yes	NA
2/29/2012	 Raymond Allen	34	Galveston	TX	no	Allen had been planning to celebrate their wedding anniversary with his wife at a motel. But witnesses reported he was behaving erratically and jumped off the motel balcony. Police were called and when he ignored their commands, they tasered him at least 2 times, then hogtied him. He stopped breathing and died in hospital 2 days later. His only charge was resisting arrest.	yes	yes	Sabrina Allen, his wife is suing in federal court on behalf of their 3 children.

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3/1/2012	 Freddie Burton Jr.	24	Atlanta Metro Clayton County (Atlanta suburb)	GA	yes	Burton allegedly robbed a Jamaican restaurant of \$200 at gunpoint. As he was running away from police, he discharged his weapon and escaped. Then he carjacked a vehicle and jumped out of it while it was moving resulting in the car crashing into a house. Burton finally barricaded himself in his sister's house. A SWAT team failed at negotiating his surrender. A shootout resulted in his death.	no	no	NA
3/1/2012	 Dante Price	25	Dayton	OH	no	White Ranger Security Guards at Summit Square Apartments shot him 22 times as he attempted to keep an appointment to babysit his own kids. They claimed he tried to run them down in his car.	no	yes	Family, Community and NAACP have rallied, vigiled and attended City meetings pressing for a murder charge. A Grand Jury announced 4/19 it would hear the case. On July 12 the Grand Jury charged two security guards--Christopher Tarbert and Justin Wissiger--with one count of murder and one of abduction.
3/1/2012	 Justin Sipp	20	New Orleans	LA	yes	Off-duty police officer thought Sipp looked suspicious after a traffic stop for broken tail light. Sipp and his brother were on their way to work at Burger King. Officer Giroir and Sipp argued, shots were fired that left Sipp dead and everyone on the scene, except Giroir, was wounded.	no	yes	Officer Giroir, who has been sued twice for brutality, wrote racist and threatening remarks online after the Trayvon Martin killing, has been suspended without pay. Sipp's brother claims Justin shot in self defense against a man who wore no uniform. A community movement persists. None of the officers were charged with the shooting. Giroir resigned but on 3/6/13, he filed a civil suit against Sipp's estate and brother for his pain and suffering and lost wages.






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3/1/2012	 Brandon James Dunbar	26	Riverside	CA	alleged	Police stopped Dunbar for traffic violation. He ran into a backyard where police shot him. They claim he turned toward them with a gun. He fired no shots.	no	yes	NA
3/1/2012	 Anthony Paul Gilmore Jr.	23	San Bernardino	CA	alleged	A car in which Gilmore was a passenger allegedly ran a stop sign. Police detained the woman driver and Gilmore. When the officer asked Gilmore if he had a weapon, he attempted to flee. There was a struggle during which the officer saw a gun on the ground, which he assumed Gilmore was reaching for, so he shot him.	no	yes	The Westside Action Group requested that the US Attorney General and California Attorney General investigate a pattern of discriminatory excessive force used by the police against Black and Latino people.
3/3/2012	 Bo Morrison	20	West Bend	WI	no	When police broke up a party where alcohol was being served to underage people, Morrison ran away and hid on neighbor's back porch. A white homeowner, Adam Kind, shot him in chest.	no	yes	The DA declined to press charges against shooter on grounds of Wisconsin's "Castle Doctrine" giving him the right to defend his home." Community has staged protests and speak outs comparing Morrison and Trayvon cases.
3/4/2012	 Monae Turnage	13	Baltimore	MD	no	Two of her friends, ages 13 and 14, accidentally shot and killed Turnage. The weapon used was found in the trunk of an off-duty police officer who was in a relationship with a relative of one of the shooters. The officer was suspected of helping to cover up the shooting, which may have contributed to Turnage's death.	no	TBD	The youths were charged with involuntary manslaughter. The officer was charged with obstruction of justice, but exonerated in October for lack of evidence. The family is filing a civil suit against him.





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3/5/2012	 Nehemiah Dillard	29	Gainesville	FL	no	He was allegedly behaving "strangely", possibly despondent over divorce. Tasered twice and went into cardiac arrest.	yes	yes	Results of autopsy are not available.
3/5/2012	 Marcus Neloms III	28	West Palm Beach	FL	yes	Officers responded to a call about a shooting. When they arrived at the parking lot of an apartment complex the suspect was allegedly shooting and did not stop when officers appeared. One of the officers was slightly wounded.	no	no	NA
3/6/2012	 Darryl Berry	45	Bush Creek Township	PA	no	In the aftermath of a car accident involving Berry on a rural stretch of the PA Turnpike, a State Trooper arrived and alleged that Berry attacked him with his dogs, so he shot Berry (not the dogs) 3 times. Cop had no injuries.	no	yes	Dr. Berry, the dead man's mother, doubts the trooper's account. She is taking legal action.
3/7/2012	 Wendell Allen	20	New Orleans	LA	no	Allen, a high school basketball star, was shirtless and wearing pajama bottoms when he was shot by a plainclothes narcotics officer. Four children were in the home at the time of the raid for marijuana.	no	yes	Undercover officer who shot Allen is under investigation. Large mobilizations and protests by the community s continue. On August 16, Officer Joshua Colclough was indicted for manslaughter.




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3/7/2012	 Michael Lembhard	22	Newburgh	NY	alleged	After officers tried to stop Lembhard for missing a court date, he ran into his sister's house. Police alleged he "charged" them with a knife. Autopsy found they shot him 8 times in the back. Family witnesses say it was a penknife and police overreacted. Police also held gun to the head of a 6 year old child in the house.	no	yes	Hundreds, including the mayor, attended his funeral and protested the police use of excessive force. Newburgh City Council requested Gov. Cuomo conduct independent investigation. On 7/11/12, the Grand Jury exonerated the two officers who killed Lembhard: Eric Henderson and Nicolas Cardinal. They returned to active police duty and Gov. Cuomo refused to conduct an independent investigation.
3/10/2012	 Kenneth Smith	20	Cleveland	OH	alleged	An off-duty police officer alleged to have observed a fight during which Smith had, but did not fire, a handgun. The officer chased Smith and shot him when he saw him allegedly reaching for his gun. Smith died from a single gunshot wound to his head.	no	yes	Smith's family has hired an attorney who questions why the cop had to play "Lone Ranger".
3/10/2012	 Michael Anthony Haynes II	24	Detroit	MI	no	Haynes asked for a refund or lower price when he was told how expensive a package of condoms were. When the clerk refused, Haynes knocked over some merchandise and the clerk shot him.	no	yes	Clerk charged with first degree murder.




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3/10/2012	 William Howlett	41	Memphis	TN	no	A woman flagged down a patrol car for assistance in dealing with her allegedly violent boyfriend. A foot chase and struggle followed before police took custody of Howlett.	no	yes	Howlett became unresponsive in the police car and was pronounced dead. To date, there has been no public announcement of the exact cause of his death.
3/10/2012	 Marquez Smart	23	Wichita	KS	alleged	After a concert, Smart was in a large crowd of people and allegedly refused police order to drop gun and fled. Officers fired multiple times. Four other people were wounded. Police blame Smart for their injuries, however, they don't rule out that officers' bullets hit them. Smart was shot in the back.	no	yes	Ruled justifiable by Wichita PD. At a protest by Occupy Wichita, Smart's father reported that when he asked an officer if he had shot his son, the officer replied, "No but I wish I had."
3/12/2012	 Jersey Green	37	Aurora	IL	no	Green died after police officers tasered him after he allegedly jumped on the hood of a squad car and moved toward an officer. He may have been in possession of crack cocaine.	yes	yes	Autopsy results did not reveal cause of death. On April 20, 2012, police released a toxicology report that allowed them to conclude he died from a cocaine overdose.
3/13/2012	 Willie Sudduth	23	Cleveland	OH	alleged	Four undercover vice detectives observed from their car, two men running from a store. One, Sudduth, allegedly stopped running, squatted and fired at someone. It is not clear if he was firing at the unmarked police car. Police fired multiple shots. Five hit Sudduth. A handgun was recovered. No police were injured.	no	yes	NA




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3/14/2012	 Dane Garrett Scott Jr.	18	Del City	OK	no	After an altercation about Scott's reckless driving, Police Captain chased and shot Scott in the back. Witnesses said Scott was trying to surrender when officer fired four times.	no	yes	On 4/20/12 Captain Randy Trent Harrison was charged with manslaughter because he shot an unarmed man in the back who was no danger.
3/15/2012	 Shereese Francis	30	New York City, (Queens - Jamaica)	NY	no	Francis had a diagnosed mental illness. When her family called for medical assistance, the police arrived, further upset her and in the process of "subduing her", beat her, held her face down on the bed, and suffocated her.	yes	yes	On 4/3/12 her family filed a lawsuit against NYPD.
3/21/2012	 Robert Dumas Jr.	42	Cleveland (Maple Heights)	OH	no	Killed during a car chase and crash with police. The police initially tried to stop him for speeding.	no	yes	NA



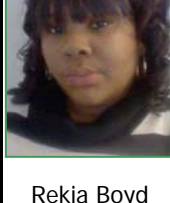

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3/23/2012	 Ian May	18	Detroit	MI	alleged	May was one of the robbers of a Dollar Store, however it is unclear if their entry was forced or if it was an "inside job." Lamar Nowell, a retired police officer and security guard, arrived as the robbers were leaving. According to him, he confronted the robbers and a "gun battle ensued". According to a video, May was shot in the back of the head as he attempted to run from the scene.	no	yes	Although Nowell had a history of abuse when he was a police officer, this killing was ruled "justified".
3/23/2012	 Keontae Amerson	24	Saginaw	MI	yes	Police made a "routine traffic stop". Amerson was the passenger. Reports do not say if police ordered him out of the car or "he got out of the car" on his own. An altercation ensued and Amerson allegedly pulled out a handgun and fired. Police returned fire.	no	TBD	4/5/12, DA ruled Amerson's death was justifiable homicide.
3/24/2012	 Ervin Jefferson	18	Atlanta	GA	no	As he was trying to protect his sister, Jefferson was shot by two security guards who claimed he approached in an "aggressive manner." They were not credentialed as security officers.	no	yes	The security officers were held briefly for impersonating officers.

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3/24/2012	 Jerome K. Corley	NA	Laredo	TX	alleged	Corley (age unreported) was recruited by his cousin, who was a 29 year old lieutenant and vet of Afghanistan, to participate in a plot to offer themselves as "killers for hire" to the ZETAS. They did not know until they were busted that the entire plan was a DEA sting operation. Corley was killed during the arrest. Details of his death were not reported.	no	TBD	7 who survived were indicted for conspiracy to commit murder and other charges. DEA's role in a possible entrapment is not clear.
3/25/2012	 Eric "Ricky" Bradley	52	Chicago	IL	alleged	Police responded to a "theft in progress" report in an abandoned building in Lawndale. As they patted Bradley down he allegedly pulled a gun from his waistband. Police claim a struggle ensued and Bradley was shot. A family member claimed he was shot 8 times.	no	yes	NA
3/25/2012	 Kendrec Lavelle McDade	19	Los Angeles Metro (Pasadena)	CA	no	Police shot McDade, a Citrus College student, based on false accusation that he had stolen a laptop at gunpoint. Carrillo, the accuser, was charged with manslaughter because his false statement "led" to McDade's killing.	no	yes	Parents have sued Police Department. FBI is investigating possible violation of McDade's civil rights. In December, the DA announced that no charges would be filed against the police and charges against Carrillo were dropped.

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3/27/2012	 Tendai Nhekauro	18	Atlanta	GA	alleged (knife)	Zimbabwean teenager attended Campbell High School. Reports conflict on whether his bizarre behavior threatened anyone. Police shot him while he was naked. They alleged he had a knife.	yes	yes	NA
3/27/2012	 Sheron Jackson	21	Baltimore	MD	alleged	Officer killed Jackson after he allegedly threatened police and mother with a knife. The mother said the officers were trigger happy, that her son only had a small pocket knife and he was emotionally disturbed.	yes	yes	NA
3/27/2012	 Rekia Boyd	22	Chicago	IL	no	Shot by off-duty officer, Dante Serven. She was an innocent bystander.	no	yes	Community and national protests. Family sued City of Chicago and police for police misconduct on the part of Detective Dante Serven. On 3/15/13, the City agreed to a \$4.5 million settlement.
3/28/2012	 Kevin Bolden	19	Washington	DC	alleged	Police went to investigate a drug complaint. Reports give contradictory allegations that Bolden either pointed a gun at police or fired at them. Reports do not mention if police were in uniform. Bolden was shot multiple times.	no	yes	NA






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3/29/2012	 Edward Irons	34	St Louis	MO	yes	A Rapid Deployment Team first stopped Irons for a traffic violation and when the officers got out of their car, Irons sped away in his. He crashed and then led officers on a foot chase. He allegedly shot at them and they returned fire. However, a witness said she didn't think he shot at all.	no	yes	NA
3/30/2012	 Willie Miller	25	Chicago	IL	alleged	Chicago police approached a party that had spilled onto the street in the West Side. Miller ran. Police chased him and alleged he pointed a handgun at them. Miller's mother and sister were both present and claimed he had no gun. "He was just running and they got mad because they could not catch him."	no	yes	NA
3/31/2012	 George Wells	29	Baltimore	MD	alleged	Police responded to call about domestic disturbance, Wells fled, officers shot him multiple times after they alleged to have seen an "edged weapon".	no	yes	NA
3/31/2012	 Name not released	50	Chicago	IL	alleged	A fifty year old Black man, whose name the police did not release, allegedly pointed a shotgun at police on 114th and Indiana Streets. They fatally shot him.	implied	yes	The lack of information in the press about this killing is an example of the low priority the media gives to investigating the deaths of Black people beyond police press releases.




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4/5/2012	 Ahmede Jabber Bradley	35	Austin	TX	no	An officer pulled Bradley's car over for a noise violation. Bradley sped off. After a car chase and a foot chase, the police allege there was a scuffle in which Bradley attempted to choke the officer with the cord of his radio mike. The officer fired. Reporters note that Bradley was shot three times in the back. Bradley may have been self-medicated on cocaine at the time. In 2006, he wrote to a judge, "I have been smoking crack since I was 18. I need rehab not punishment."	yes	yes	After the killing, about 100 people gathered and threw stones at the police. Also, Bradley's mother and community protested. On 6/27/12, the NAACP and Texas Civil Rights Project filed a renewed complaint with the US DOJ against the City of Austin and its PD for systematic racial discrimination and misconduct.
4/5/2012	 Juan Montrice Lawrence	40	Jacksonville	FL	yes	In the course of a drug bust, Lawrence was ordered to drop his weapon, an AK-47. When he did not, the sheriff shot him twice.	no	yes	NA
4/6/2012	 Luther Brown Jr.	32	Stockton	CA	no	Police pulled Brown's car over for not having license plates. They ordered Brown out of the car, he ran and in an alleged scuffle that followed Brown gained control of one of the officer's batons. The other officer shot Brown.	no	yes	Four days later hundreds of protestors marched to the Stockton PD HQ. Brown's sister told the media, "He didn't have time to grab nothing. They lied and we have witnesses to prove it in court." While police and corporate media vilified Brown as a gang member and drug dealer, his wife of 7 years, Shawna Brown says he was a stay-at-home-dad (of 4) and always followed thru on his promises.




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4/6/2012	 William Allen	31	Tulsa	OK	no	Jake England, 19, and his roommate Alvin Watts, 32, both white, went on a shooting rampage where they killed Allen and Clark and a Black woman, Dannaer Fields as they were walking on the street. England asserted his desire to take revenge on Black people to avenge his father who had been killed in a scuffle with a Black man. The Black man had been exonerated.	no	yes	England and Watts confessed and are charged with 1st degree murder.
4/6/2012	 Dannaer Fields	49	Tulsa	OK	no	<i>(see entry in box above about Tulsa killers)</i>	no	yes	England and Watts confessed.(see entry in box above)
4/6/2012	 Bobby Clark	54	Tulsa	OK	no	<i>(see entry in box above about Tulsa killers)</i>	no	yes	England and Watts confessed.(see entry in box above)




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4/8/2012	 Michael (Dwayne) Anthony Bailey	26	Washington Metro (Landover, MD)	MD	alleged	Prince Georges County officers tried to investigate Bailey and friends as "suspicious persons". They fled, officer caught Bailey who allegedly resisted him. They claimed to have tasered him to no effect and suspect brandished weapon. He was shot 32 times by Officer Terrence Garrett.	no	yes	Bailey's mother said the officer turned the ambulance away when her son was still alive. His brother said, "they left him lying there bleeding out like an animal." There is a YouTube video of this killing.
4/10/2012	 Roman Lee Drake	26	Fayetteville	NC	no	Police arrived at his house where Drake had been having a rowdy party, but Drake was not there when police arrived. When he returned home and saw the police, he tried to leave. His car allegedly struck a police car and tried to run over an officer, so they opened fire on him. Witnesses say he never tried to harm an officer. He was drunk and he panicked, so he was just trying to leave.	yes	yes	NA
4/10/2012	 Rudolph Wyatt	23	New York City, (Manhattan - East Harlem)	NY	yes	Wyatt and another suspect attempted to rob a pharmacy. The clerk hit the panic button, Wyatt fled and allegedly shot at officers as he was fleeing. A retired police lieutenant who happened to be at the gas station across the street shot him in the head. Other suspect escaped.	no	yes	The press applauded the retired lieutenant as a hero.





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4/10/2012	 Andre Jones	18	Saginaw	MI	alleged	Police went to Jones' home to investigate a breaking and entering complaint. They were allegedly "forced to shoot when he pointed a gun at them."	no	yes	Ruled "justified"
4/12/2012	 Tamon Robinson	27	New York City, (Brooklyn - Canarsie)	NY	no	Police saw Robinson allegedly stealing cobblestones from a public housing complex construction site. When he saw the police he ran towards his mother's building 100 yards away. Two officers on foot chased him and another in a car, it veered onto the sidewalk and hit him. After six days in a coma, handcuffed to the hospital bed, he died.	no	yes	400 people attended his funeral. They claimed he had permission to collect the stones for a side business he had and besides "the penalty for stealing paving stones is not death." Sharpton and family called for an investigation at a large rally. Police sent the family a bill for \$710 to repair squad car that hit him. After protest they withdrew the bill.
4/12/2012	 Bobby Merrill Jr.	38	Saginaw	MI	no	Merrill had been behaving erratically: running into traffic and jumping on cars. Police tasered him, put him in hand and feet restraints and alleged that two-three minutes later he was unresponsive in squad car.	yes	yes	A Michigan police investigation claimed he died of cocaine and alcohol overdose. He is listed as a taser-related death by the website that tracks them. His family called for an independent investigation.

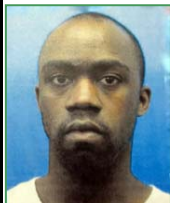

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4/12/2012	 James "Henry" S. Cooke Madave	57	Stockton	CA	no	Cooke was pulled over for allegedly speeding. Police allege he ran away on foot and when they caught him, he resisted and refused verbal commands. They (5 officers were involved) struck him with batons and used "safe wrap" to immobilize his legs and hips and handcuffed him. During the 10-minute ride to the hospital he became quiet and was unresponsive upon arrival. The officers who beat him were Jeremy Edens, Kevin Hess, Gabriel Guerrero, James Manor and Irshad Mohammed.	no	yes	Community organizations protesting the police killing of Luther Brown also protested Cooke's killing. Family members also questioned the police account saying that he had had surgery on his leg on April 9 and could hardly walk, let alone run. He had diabetes. More than 200 people attended his funeral.
4/13/2012	 Kevin McCann	38	Memphis	TN	no	Ahmed Ibrahim, a convenience store clerk shot McCann--a former employee-- who he claimed was "causing trouble." Ibrahim invoked the "stand-your-ground" defense.	no	yes	Ibrahim was charged with 2nd degree murder.
4/13/2012	 Timothy Collins	17	Wichita	KS	no	Police responded to a report of an "armed residential robbery". Youths had invaded a house and as they ran out of the house, the police shot them. Collins had not been armed.	no	yes	This is one of the killings by police that Occupy Kansas is protesting.

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4/14/2012	 Darnell C. Robinson	22	Chicago Metro (Dolton)	IL	yes	Police engaged Robinson in a shootout after they witnessed him shooting another man outside a nightclub.	no	no	NA
4/16/2012	 Robert Earl Fletcher	28	Birmingham	AL	no	Police followed Fletcher in a car when they saw him coming out of a house known for selling drugs and stopped Fletcher when he found that the car's license plates did not match the car. Fletcher fled, lost control of the car and crashed into a tree. The car caught fire and Fletcher died on 4/22.	no	yes	Fletcher's passenger, Heather Parker (18) also died as a result of injuries from the crash on 4/22/12. Although the crash was ruled "an accident", Birmingham press questioned police policy on chases.
4/16/2012	 Heather Parker	18	Birmingham	AL	no	Parker was a passenger in Fletcher's car ( <i>see entry above</i> )	no	yes	( <i>see above</i> )
4/20/2012	 Tyre Leone	21	Gretna	LA	yes	Leone was one of two suspected of armed robbery of a convenience store. Police chased the suspects who crashed into bridge guardrail. Ellis exited the car shooting. Police returned fire and killed him.	no	no	NA

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4/20/2012	 Terence Ellis	25	Gretna	LA	yes	Ellis was one of two suspected of armed robbery of a convenience store. Police chased the suspects who crashed into bridge guardrail. Leone exited the car and leapt to his death from the bridge.	implied	yes	suicide
4/21/2012	 Archie Lee Chambers Jr.	20	Chicago Metro (Calumet City)	IL	alleged	Chambers received word that his friend, Willie Randall White, 24, had been shot outside the bar where Chambers had been. Chambers emerged from the bar, to see what was happening. The police arrived and (at this point reports contradict each other) allegedly saw Chambers with a firearm and shot him when he refused to drop it. Witnesses say that he had thrown the gun down and was hopping over a gate when the police shot him.	no	yes	Chambers' mother told the press that the police gave her no information. Ten hours after the shooting, she found her son's body lying on the ground outside the bar. Chambers had been a student at Kennedy-King College and his shooting evoked community outrage. Cook County Medical Examiner claimed that Chambers had not been shot by the police. On 6/22/12, they charged Antonio Goston with the murder, but the family believes there is a cover-up.






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4/21/2012	 Sharmel Edwards	49	Las Vegas	NV	alleged	Las Vegas police received a call from Edwards' boyfriend saying that she had taken his car without permission. (The press ID'd her as a "car thief".) When Police ordered her out of the car, she stayed in the car for about 30 minutes. Police allege they shot her when she emerged from the car holding a gun and they found a gun near her body. Five officers shot her multiple times. At least three witnesses told reporters that she came out of the car with her hands raised above her head to surrender and they saw no weapon. Witnesses also reported that no officer ordered her to drop a weapon. And that after she was shot, witnesses noted that police were laughing and high-fiving each other.	yes	yes	Friends told reporters that Edwards was a single mother of two teenagers who worked with disabled children. Friends and witnesses thought she was emotionally distraught. She had had an argument with her boyfriend and that police did not try to "negotiate" with her for the half hour before she exited the car. Rather they yelled commands at her. LV press has carried a lot of criticism of police in this incident. The press also noted that this was the 2nd killing this year by one of the officers who killed Edwards. The DA ruled her shooting "was not criminal."
4/22/2012	 Kenyado Newsuan	31	Philadelphia	PA	no	Officers received a report of a naked man running down the street screaming at 6AM Sunday. When the officers tried to stop Newsuan, he allegedly attacked them. A stun gun did not stop him, so they shot him 3-4 times. A witness remarked, "He was high on PCP, that was no reason to shoot him and they shot him again after he was down."	yes	yes	Family vowed to fight for justice.





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4/28/2012	 Ja'Quares Cortez Walker, "Little Tez"	13	Birmingham	AL	yes	A middle school student, Walker covered his face with his t-shirt, pointed a pistol at the driver of a Lexus SUV and attempted a carjacking. The 35-year old white male driver shot him multiple times.	no	yes	City investigators determined the killing was "justified".
4/29/2012	 Michael M. Randolph aka "O'Head"	23	Allentown	PA	no	A white security guard, Andrew Gesslein-- who had lied about having once been a police officer-- shot Randolph outside a club. He claimed Randolph tried to force his way into the club after being denied entrance and then he reached in his waistband for a gun. Gesslein shot him several times.	no	yes	Gesslein was charged with voluntary manslaughter. Community protestors compare the shooting to that of Trayvon Martin
4/29/2012	 Carl Anthony Tatum	48	Minneapolis (suburb of Apple Valley)	MN	yes	Tatum's girlfriend reported a domestic dispute to 911. When the police arrived, she fled. Tatum was agitated but police arrested him for felony domestic assault by strangulation. As he was being led to the police car, he bolted, ran back to the house and retrieved a gun. He allegedly fired it at officers who then returned fire.	yes	?	Tatum's sister told the press that she didn't blame the police or Tatum's girlfriend. "He had anger management issues" but we loved him anyway.




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4/29/2012	 Bennedy Abreu	24	New York Metro (Riverdale)	NY	knife (2")	Abreu's family, (Afro Latino) called for help to take him to the hospital. He had a diagnosis of schizophrenia, was off his meds and was threatening them. When Officers arrived, Abreu became more agitated and stabbed officer William Fair in the neck and face, so he shot him.	yes	yes	The wounding of a police officer sparked NY Daily News headlines calling for the forced medication of people with mental illness-- which were revised recently by the Sandy Hook shootings. Doctors and mental health advocates countered that forced medication policies are counter-productive. More advanced mental health services are needed.
4/30/2012	 David Strong	27	Chicago	IL	no	Strong was one of three men caught robbing a store. They allegedly continued to load the stolen van after officers ordered them to stop and tried to escape. They allegedly rammed a police car and officers opened fire. They fired 30-40 rounds, which killed Strong and wounded the other two.	no	yes	In an unusual development, the two surviving robbers, who had also been unarmed, John Givens and Leland Dudley filed a suit against the Chicago PD for use of excessive force. They were shot at point blank range after they were down. They were also charged with Strong's murder.
5/1/2012	 Anton Butler	28	Indianapolis	IN	no	Two off-duty Marion County Sheriff's Deputies working as security guards observed a possible drug deal. When they approached, Butler allegedly ingested drugs and ran. When deputies caught up to him, he violently resisted arrest and they called for police back-up. The police report cited an "extremely physical confrontation" during which Butler was tasered multiple times. He began foaming at the mouth and lost consciousness.	no	yes	On 7/19/12, the coroner reported that Butler died of acute cocaine toxicity. However, according to independent professionals the severe beating and tasing had to have contributed to his death.





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5/2/2012	 Carnell Gaines Jr	30	Pearl	MS	yes	Gaines engaged in a shootout with officers when they arrived at his house with a search warrant. He was suspected of sexual battery. If he had been arrested, it would have been a third strike. In addition to Gaines, a police officer was also killed in the shoot out.	no	no	Friends and co-workers stated that he never would have shot at police. He needed psychological counseling.
5/5/2012	 Mark Lewis Salazar	27	Fayetteville	NC	yes	Salazar, an army staff sergeant with two years in Afghanistan, worked at Fort Bragg as a graphic illustrator. A neighbor called the police at 3AM to complain about him firing shots in his driveway. Officers fired at him when he allegedly pointed the gun at them.	yes	yes	He died in the hospital of his wounds on 5/12/12, a week after he was shot. About 100 people joined a vigil for him and reiterated that they could not believe the police version of events.
5/6/2012	 Alan Blueford	17	Oakland	CA	alleged	Police approached Blueford and his friends because he "suspected Blueford was hiding a gun." Blueford allegedly pointed a gun at the officer during a chase. Officer Miguel Masso shot at Blueford four times. Three shots hit Blueford in the back. Blueford had tripped before Masso shot him and was on the ground and unarmed when Masso fired.	no	yes	Police changed their version of events three times. Apparently one cop shot himself in the foot. Oakland community continues protest. Family is filing a federal suit. On 10/9/12 the DA ruled that Officer Masso acted in self defense, even though no fingerprints were found on the gun that was found 20 feet away.
5/8/2012	 Dewayne Bailey	38	Memphis	TN	no	Bailey had been asleep in his car in a Safeway parking lot when police woke him. Police claim, when they woke him, he became belligerent and attempted to drive away. During his attempt to escape he allegedly dragged an officer and rammed two squad cars. Police fired 32 rounds to stop him.	no	yes	The family of Dewayne Bailey dispute the police version of Bailey's death. They have posted a petition on Facebook demanding justice.




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5/8/2012	 Raymond Lee Brown	28	Philadelphia	PA	alleged	Police responded to a report of a man with a gun near Temple University's ER. They shot him when he allegedly pointed a gun at them.	no	yes	NA
5/9/2012	 Jimmy Lee Matthews	31	Buckingham	FL	alleged	After he refused to stop, police chased Matthews' car until he fled on foot. Officers alleged that he fired a gun but no firearm or bullets were found. Police tasered and then shot him.	no	yes	NAACP and one of Matthews' passengers said there was no firearm or two-way shootout and called for an independent investigation.
5/9/2012	 Davinian Williams	36	Jacksonville (Arlington)	FL	no	Williams' car raised the officer's suspicions and he tried to stop Williams. Williams ran several lights and made sudden turns. When officer pulled Williams over he "felt threatened" by a sudden move Williams made. Witnesses said that after the officer told Williams to raise his hands, the officer did not wait to shoot Williams seven times.	no	yes	Hundreds of people attended Williams' funeral. The family plans to file a civil suit.




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5/10/2012	 Damon "Poppo" Abraham	34	Baldwin	LA	no	While he was handcuffed, police beat and tasered him after he tried to leave police station when they told him he had outstanding warrants. Originally he went to the Police Department to inquire about a restraining order.	no	yes	Community in Baldwin has rallied to demand that DOJ investigate Abraham's death. They dispute the coroner's report that he died of cocaine. A number of NOLA area rights organizations have become involved.
5/10/2012	 Samuel Rivers	40	New York City (Queens)	NY	knife	Rivers' 17-year old daughter called 911 after she witnessed her father stab himself and her mother. When officers arrived, he advanced towards them.	yes	yes	While Rivers was clearly a danger to himself and others, a trained crisis intervention team could have used non-lethal methods to subdue him.
5/10/2012	 Erik Turnbull	32	Ogletree	DE	no	Undercover police had arranged to buy an unreported quantity of marijuana from Turnbull. Instead, police ordered him to pull over. Then Turnbull allegedly rammed an unmarked police car. Police fatally shot him.	no	yes	Family disputes police story and defends Turnbull against demonization of him in the press.
5/10/2012	 Jeterious Moore	17	Selma	AL	no	Police were called about a "disturbance" in the area and became "engaged" with Moore. Moore, a high school senior, was shot and killed. Police Chief alleged he had a gun but none was found.	no	yes	Police claim to be investigating.

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5/14/2012	 Clinton Hightower	28	Atlanta	GA	no	Hightower was walking to his sister's home to babysit for her when he was struck by the police cruiser driven by Officer Jason Cooper. Cooper was driving 80 mph with no lights or siren on his way to help in a police chase.	no	yes	Hightower's parents have been pressing for the prosecution of Hightower and will file a civil suit if he is not found criminally liable. Officer Cooper was fired on 7/25/12.
5/15/2012	 Abdelle Jean St. Ange	22	LaGrange	NY	yes	Police responded to a report of a home invasion. They found Ange and four others and Ange allegedly hit a trooper with a sawed off rifle. Ange died at the scene after officers shot him.	no	yes	A Grand Jury is deliberating on whether St. Ange's killing was justifiable.
5/15/2012	 Dominique Campbell	41	Washington	DC	yes	Police received a report of a man with a gun. When they arrived at the implied location, they observed Campbell, who fit the description in the report. He fired his weapon at the police and an exchange of gunfire followed. He died and an officer was grazed.	no	no	One lone teddy bear memorialized the spot where Campbell died.

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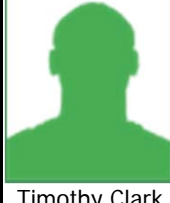
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5/17/2012	 Parish Laconley Powell	38	Birmingham Metro (Bessemer)	AL	alleged	Officers responded to an early morning medical call that said patient was agitated. Officers alleged that Powell lunged at one officer and threw a knife at another before they fired 3 shots.	yes	yes	Family stated police used excessive, unnecessary force.
5/17/2012	 Malcolm Gracia	15	New Bedford	MA	alleged	There are two radically different versions of Gracia's death. Officers allege that Gracia stabbed a detective from the Gang Unit and they had to shoot Gracia to prevent him from killing the plainclothes detective. Witnesses reported that Gracia was being chased and shot at as he ran. He did not know his pursuers were police.	no	TBD	NAACP and other community groups have called for an independent investigation of Gracia's death.
5/18/2012	 Jason Aaron Pearce	24	Houston	TX	knife	Pierce drew a knife on another passenger on the Metro bus. The Driver evacuated the bus except for the two. Police surrounded the bus and ordered Pierce to drop the knife and surrender. He became more agitated. Sergeant K. Johnson boarded the bus and "in fear of the life of Pierce's target and his own life," he shot Pierce.	yes	yes	Pierce was clearly a danger to himself and others, but a skilled mental health crisis intervention team might have made his death unnecessary.






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5/18/2012	 Robin Taneisha Williams	21	Upper Dublin on the PA Tpke	PA	no	An off-duty state trooper rammed into Williams' car as she was driving on the PA Turnpike. She died in the explosion.	no	yes	The trooper has been suspended and charged with homicide by vehicle while DUI.
5/19/2012	 Maurice Holloman	31	Baltimore	MD	no	Mentally disabled man became disruptive of a birthday party. Police were called and scuffled with Holloman. 2nd officer shot him.	yes	yes	NA
5/22/2012	 Kevin S. Boozer	28	Columbus	OH	knife	Police from a SWAT Team shot him as he allegedly held a knife to his girlfriend's neck.	yes	yes	His family said he was high on bath salts but a toxicology report said he had cocaine, marijuana and an anti-anxiety drug in his system.




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5/22/2012	 Andrais Darnell Smith	32	Dallas	TX	alleged	Undercover officers alleged that Smith robbed them after selling them drugs. He then followed them into a parking lot and allegedly drew a gun on them. One officer fatally shot him.	no	yes	NA
5/24/2012	 Kevin Bernard Hunter	51	Houston	TX	Knife or other cutting tool (box cutter)	Undercover officers were conducting surveillance and Hunter told them to leave. When they did not and rolled down their window, Hunter allegedly stabbed one in the arm with a box cutter. The officers shot him.	no	yes	NA
5/25/2012	 David Winston	27	Birmingham	AL	no	After an argument, Winston and an unidentified woman were shot by a hotel security guard.	no	yes	Pierre Myles, 24, a Black security guard, was charged with murder.
5/26/2012	 Timothy Clark Merrill	44	Galveston	TX	alleged	An off-duty Houston police officer, Kevin Smith, discovered Merrill in his vacation home. The press assumed he was a burglar, but he may have been a squatter, since Merrill said to the officer, "what are you doing in my home?" Merrill allegedly pulled a gun and Smith fired. Merrill did not fire.	no	yes	No charges were filed against Kevin Smith




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5/26/2012	 Rudy Eugene	31	Miami	FL	no	Police fatally shot Eugene when he ignored commands to stop eating the face of a homeless man. Eugene was naked and growling.	yes	no	An autopsy found no traces of human flesh in Eugene's digestive system. Lurid headlines about cannibalism wildly fueled the demonization of Black men.
5/27/2012	 Richard LaTour	30	Dallas	TX	alleged	Officers responded to a call about a suicidal man at his home. They alleged that he pointed a gun at them and then they fatally shot him.	yes	yes	Commentators in Dallas expressed concern at the high number of shootings by Dallas police. (killed 8 Black people 1/1/12-6/30/12)
5/28/2012	 Anton Barrett Sr	42	Vallejo	CA	no	Barrett was allegedly driving without headlights and running stop signs when a DUI Saturation Patrol signaled him to stop. Instead he led the officers on a high speed chase, when his tires went flat, he fled on foot. One officer confronted him in a darkened alley and shot him multiple times, claiming he thought he saw Barrett pull a "metallic object" from his sweatshirt pocket. After Barrett was shot, he attempted to rise and a second officer tasered him. He was cuffed and died at hospital.	no	yes	Police admit they mistook a wallet for a gun. Barrett Sr's son, Anton Jr, 18, was in the car and fled into nearby bushes. After his father was killed, a police dog found him in bushes. He was bitten and arrested for resisting arrest. A number of Bay Area rights organizations have questioned police version of Barrett's death.




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5/29/2012	 Lee Dell Thomas Jr	44	Dallas	TX	no	Police claimed that Thomas was a robbery suspect who they chased to the Southern Methodist University campus. He climbed a 150-foot high crane and refused to come down. He had a history of mental illness and became agitated when police tried to force him down. He fell to his death.	yes	yes	Some media remarked that there had to be a better way of handling a mentally ill "suspect".
5/31/2012	 Thomas C. McMullen	32	Jacksonville	FL	alleged	Police responded to a "shots fired call" at an apartment complex, chased "shooter", claimed they saw a gun in his waistband, McMullen hid under a barber shop and police shot him five times. No gun was found on McMullen but one was found near the chase path. Suspect never fired a shot.	no	yes	NA
5/31/2012	 Darrius Simmons	13	Milwaukee	WI	no	John Henry Spooner, a 75 yr old white man, accused Simmons of stealing his guns and then shot him while the child denied the charge and his hands were raised. Simmons was in school at the time of the robbery. While her son was dying, police treated Simmons' mother like a criminal--forcing her to stay in squad car while her son was bleeding to death. Police ransacked the house looking for the stolen guns and arrested another son on a year-old truancy violation.	no	yes	Spooner was arrested and charged with first degree murder. He pleaded "not guilty". Jesse Jackson labeled the murder a "hate crime." On 2/3/13, the court ruled that Spooner was competent to stand trial.




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6/1/2012	 Kijuan Byrd	29	Miami	FL	no	Lukace Shane Kendle, a white security guard at a strip club, came upon Byrd and his friend who were rolling joints in the parking lot. Kendle shot Byrd 11 times and his friend 4 times because "he feared for his life."	no	yes	Kendle has been arrested and charged with 2nd degree murder and is taking a "stand-your-ground" defense.
6/1/2012	 Cory Booker	22	Selma	AL	alleged	Booker and a companion, Rodney Aaron (21) were thrown out of the Club Entourage and when they were denied re-entry, they allegedly returned with a shotgun. The report is not clear if one or both had shotguns and if one or both started shooting inside the club. A security guard shot both of them. Booker died and Aaron was critically wounded.	no	yes	Reports noted that if Aaron survived, he would be charged with the murder of Booker.
6/2/2012	 John Robert Husband III	21	Dallas	TX	alleged	Police stopped Husband's car because he turned without signaling. Officers smelled marijuana in car and commanded him to get out of the car. As they patted him down they alleged that he reached for a gun and they shot him. Later they changed their story. Witnesses said he was unarmed and he had only taken a few steps before officers shot him in the back. Officer Leland Limbaugh threatened to shoot him again, as he lay fatally wounded.	no	yes	A Grand Jury is investigating. On 6/4/12 the Dallas Medical Examiner confirmed he was shot in the back. On 1/9/13, the family moved its suit to federal court. It said, "The family members claim that Limbaugh showed willful and wanton disregard for Husband's rights. The practice was so widespread as to constitute the policy and custom of the City itself."




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6/5/2012		15	South San Francisco	CA	alleged	Gaines was a disabled teenager with two clubbed feet. Police officer, Joshua Cabillo, stopped Gaines at a gas station parking lot because he and friends "were engaging in suspicious behavior." Derrick attempted to run and allegedly pulled out a gun. Police shot him. A friend said he was only trying to drop the gun.	no	yes	Community members, including Oscar Grant's uncle, have expressed solidarity with the Gaines family. His mother is part of an outspoken group of Bay Area mothers who have lost their sons to killer cops. On 8/29/12, the DA announced that Officer Cabillo's actions were "lawful" since he "feared for his life." On 10/30/12, the family filed a federal lawsuit for \$10m in damages, alleging that the fatal shooting was the result of unlawful racial profiling.
6/12/2012	 Christian Freeman	19	Memphis	TN	alleged knife	An unrelated woman alerted police to an agitated man in the street with a knife. Police alleged that when they approached Freeman, he threatened them with a knife. They shot. Freeman's family said that the police knew he had mental health problems from a previous encounter with him. He had been diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia	yes	yes	Freeman's death is one of too many that community organizations in Memphis are protesting. Organize-the-Hood noted that on the same night, police nonviolently arrested a white woman with a knife who had been behaving erratically.
6/13/2012	 Christopher Brown	17	Baltimore	MD	no	Off-duty County Police officer chased three or four young men after he heard a rock thrown at his front door. He found Brown in the bushes, and after a physical confrontation Brown fell unconscious. He died of asphyxiation.	no	yes	Family and friends protest and pointed out that Brown, a sophomore, played football, joined ROTC and was a church usher. On 6/27/12 the Black off-duty officer, James Laboard, was charged with involuntary manslaughter and released on his own recognizance. The family said the charge was too light.

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6/13/2012	 Calvin Wallace	52	Boyton Beach	FL	yes	Wallace was a suspect in an armed robbery, he led police on a car chase, struck 3 vehicles and allegedly shot at the police before they shot him.	no	TBD	On 8/23/12, police released a dash cam video that the judge used to rule that the shooting was justified. But after repeated viewing, it is unclear to this researcher who shot first.
6/14/2012	 Shantel Davis	23	New York City (Brooklyn)	NY	no	Plainclothes police in an unmarked car chased Davis who was driving a stolen car. She crashed, was trapped by the car's airbag and allegedly struck an officer with the car door. The officer claimed his gun discharged as he was trying to put her car in reverse.	no	yes	Immediate protests after killing. Investigators found that the shooter, Detective Phil Atkins, since 2003, has lost at least 5 civil suits for brutality. Two others are still open. Community protests and petitions for justice for Shantel continue. In August the King's County DA announced he would open an investigation into Davis' death.
6/16/2012	 Marcus Bell	26	Atlanta Metro (Jonesboro)	GA	alleged	Clayton County officers responded to a call about a domestic disturbance. Bell barricaded himself in his apartment but allowed the woman to leave. She showed signs of assault. After a two-hour standoff, officers obtained a warrant for the woman's assault and forced their way into the apartment. Bell apparently never fired a shot.	no	yes	Bell died of his wounds after 6/17/12

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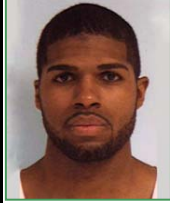


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6/20/2012	 Chester Joseph Crestwell	44	Washington Metro (New Carrollton, MD)	DC	yes	Metro Transit Police shot and killed Crestwell after Crestwell fired at him. Crestwell was "a person of interest" in an attempted abduction from a bus stop.	no	no	NA
6/21/2012	 name not released	NA	Atlanta Metro (Mount Zion Road, Clayton County)	GA	yes	Police stopped a car with 5 Black passengers. One had outstanding warrants. When the officer asked him to step out of the car, suspect allegedly pulled a gun from his waist and started shooting. One officer and the driver of the car were shot before the suspect was killed.	no	no	NA
6/21/2012	 Israel "Izzy" Andino	20	Rochester	NY	yes	Andino, an Afro Latino, had an argument with his mother and then he called 911. The police report that his 911 call said he stabbed his mother and was going to shoot people in the streets. Instead of sending the Emotionally Disturbed Response Team, seven tactical police arrived. Police report that when Andino took a shot at them, they returned fire. Witnesses say that Andino didn't fire first and perhaps never fired at all. All seven officers opened fire. Witnesses said it was like a firing squad.	yes	yes	Family members and neighbors reported that Andino has a diagnosis of bipolar disorder. They say the police executed him in the style of a firing squad--not only killing Andino, but also leaving nearby homes and cars riddled with bullets. They also said that police didn't take advantage of the opportunity to taser or grab Andino.






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6/22/2012	 John Pickston	NA	Houston Metro (Harris County)	TX	alleged	Police went to Pickston's (age not reported) residence to serve a warrant for aggravated assault and family violence. When they found him in the closet, he allegedly fired a weapon at them and they returned fire.	implied	yes	NA
6/22/2012	 Malcolm Smith	24	Mullins	SC	yes	Police responded to a domestic violence report and Smith ran off when they arrived. He allegedly fired shots as he ran. The chase continued until police killed him in a hail of fire.	no	TBD	NA
6/23/2012	 Michael Moore	56	Chicago Metro (Riverdale)	IL	alleged	Moore had allegedly been involved in an armed dispute with his neighbor. When police arrived, Moore refused to drop his weapon. He was the only person shot during the incident.	no	TBD	NA
6/23/2012	 Robin Leander Howard	54	Oklahoma City	OK	no	Two officers attempted to stop Howard when he ran a stop sign around the corner from his mother's house. (He was driving his mother's car, so police could not have known his record.) Howard tried to flee and crashed into a small pole. Officers Jeff Coffey and Doug Grady beat him and took him to the hospital where he died 4 days later. In August the Medical Examiner ruled his death a homicide.	no	yes	Police delayed 4 days in notifying the family of Howard's death. They hired a lawyer, protested at City Council, Jesse Jackson intervened and the FBI is investigating the case.




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6/24/2012	 Kendrick McDaniel	18	Dallas	TX	alleged	After his shift, an off-duty officer went into Taco Bell, observed McDaniel with a "marijuana cigarette" behind his ear. When the officer ordered McDaniel to approach him, the teenager cursed and started to run. He fell and allegedly pulled a gun from his waistband and the officer shot and killed him.	no	yes	A Grand Jury is investigating.
6/25/2012	 Elip Cheatham	27	Johnstown	PA	no	Cheatham was driving friend to the hospital, so didn't stop at police checkpoint, but did slow. Police allege he drove towards them despite the fact that he slowed at the intersection. Police fired 20 shots.	no	yes	Community mobilized to demand independent investigation. The family is filing suit that charges the police and city with racial profiling.
6/26/2012	 Corey McGinnes	35	Cincinnati (Springfield Township)	OH	no	A fight broke out after a basketball game and police were called. McGinnes was trying to protect his sons who had just won the game. The police came to break up the fight and tasered McGinnes. He collapsed and never regained consciousness. Four of his nine kids witnessed police taser their father.	no	yes	A family member said that McGinnes was a healthy man and blamed the taser for his death. She called for the police to change their taser policy. A police chief told the press they had no plans to change their taser policy. An investigation may take months.
6/26/2012	 Deshone Lamar Travis	20	Port Wentworth	GA	no	Police went to Travis' home to question him about a robbery. He was uncooperative. Officers "feared for their life" because Travis backed his car towards them. Officers fatally shot him. Witnesses said Travis was driving no more than 5 mph and was no threat.	no	yes	Travis' father told the press that the police had returned his car keys to Travis and so he thought he was free to leave. He was not trying to escape.




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6/27/2012	 Christopher Calhoun	38	Atlanta	GA	alleged	Calhoun was wanted on drug and theft charges in Mississippi. Based on a tip, police found him in the parking lot of an Atlanta mall. Police shot and killed him when he allegedly pointed a gun at them.	no	yes	NA
6/27/2012	 Trevion Davis	13	Atlanta Metro, Clayton County	GA	alleged	Police responded to a call about a residential break-in and found three young men in the backyard. The police stated that Trevion "presented that handgun. Subsequently officers fired upon that individual." One officer shot Trevion in the head. Police later found that the "firearm" was a BB gun.	no	yes	Jamar Odom, 18, arrested at the scene for burglary may be charged with Trevion's murder "since he was involved with a crime that lead to a death."
6/27/2012	 Patrick Oneal Spurlock	39	Houston	TX	yes	Spurlock, who had a tense history with the management and security in his housing apartment complex and had been asked to leave, allegedly wounded 4 people there, and stole a car. Police gave chase and Spurlock allegedly shot at police officers and rammed their car. It is unclear if he died from a crash or gunshots.	implied	no	NA




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6/27/2012	 Hernandez L. Dowdy	36	Memphis	TN	no	June 23, after Erica Moore, a white woman, was arrested for soliciting, she told police that her car had been hijacked by a man with dreadlocks. On June 27, when police saw Dowdy driving a car that fit the description of "her" car, they gave chase. After Dowdy struck another car, he fled on foot. Officer James Archie shot him because he allegedly "reached towards his waistband."	no	yes	A day after Dowdry was killed, Erica Moore recanted and said she had made up entire hijacking story. She was charged with a felony of filing a false complaint. Many community members attended Dowdry's funeral and a protest demonstration is planned.
6/28/2012	 Denny Gonzales	35	Antioch	CA	yes	Gonzales, a popular barber and community activist, called 911 several times to say he planned to commit suicide and/or kill police. When the SWAT team arrived (not a team trained to talk down or support with emotionally distraught citizens), Gonzales emerged from his garage with a firearm and allegedly fired. Police fired 10 shots.	yes	yes	After Gonzales death, there was an outpouring of community disbelief and grief. He was married with one daughter and another on the way.
6/28/2012	 David Foreman	31	Atlanta Metro Dekalb County	GA	alleged	Dekalb County officers responded to a 911 call about a "domestic dispute". When officers confronted an agitated Foreman, he held a pistol to his own head. Then he allegedly pointed the weapon at the officers who shot him 3 times.	yes	yes	The shooting occurred on June 28th, Foreman died of his wounds June 30. A witness told the media that there had been no need to shoot to kill.




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6/28/2012	 Christopher Jerome Thomas	22	Dothan	AL	no	Police tried to make an "investigative stop" but Thomas continued driving. Thomas hit an unoccupied vehicle and then allegedly accelerated towards one of the officers. Witnesses reported he did not move towards the officers. They shot him five times at point blank range.	no	yes	Family and friends continued to protest for months with no word from authorities. In November, two women were arrested for allegedly lying to the Grand Jury investigating Thomas' killing. The community is outraged. The Grand Jury found the killing "justified" A lawyer representing the Thomas family and the women arrested in relation to their grand jury testimony called for the resignation of the DA.
6/28/2012	 Carlos Joseph Charles	28	N. Fort Myers	FL	no	Deputies stopped Charles for traffic violations (allegedly speeding and illegally tinted windows), a sniffer dog alerted the deputies to the presence of drugs in the car. Charles and a woman were ordered out of the car. When deputies allegedly found a "large amount of cocaine", according to the sheriff, "a violent altercation ensued" and they shot Charles.	no	yes	The vagueness of the sheriff's statement raises questions. Charles' sobbing mother appeared at the scene when the sheriff was talking to the press and demanded answers. She was ignored.
6/28/2012	 Aaron Hunter	19	Tucson	AZ	alleged	Officers responded to a 911 call about "suspicious activity". They found Hunter in an alley. Officers allege that when they attempted to pat him down, he struggled, a gun dropped. As he bent over to pick up the gun, officer fatally shot him.	no	yes	NA





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6/30/2012	 Victor Duffy Jr.	25	Seattle Metro (Tukwila)	WA	no	Duffy, who had a diagnosed mental illness, called police during an argument with his younger sister. But when police arrived, he was tasered, frightened and jumped from a 2nd story window and broke his ankle. While he was on the ground and unable to move, officers tasered him again.	yes	yes	Family members say they hope the \$15 million lawsuit forces police to change their procedures in dealing with mentally ill people.
7/1/2012	 Michael Wudtee	38	Baltimore	MD	no	Officers observed Wudtee hitting a woman while the two were inside a car in a parking lot. When the officer approached, Wudtee ran. They scuffled when officer caught up to Wudtee. Officer Paul Heffernan fired.	no	yes	NA
7/1/2012	 Milton Hall	49	Saginaw	MI	no	Police received a 911 call regarding Hall, who had a disagreement with a convenience store clerk. They found Hall pacing in the store's parking lot holding a knife. A video tape recorded Hall, who reportedly suffered from serious mental illness, shouting "My name is Milton Hall, I just called 911," he yells. "My name is Milton, and I'm pissed off." A female officer ordered Hall to drop the knife. He refused and as a menacing police dog is held just feet away from him, he yelled, "Let the motherfucking dog go." Moments later, Hall took a few steps away from the officers, at which point they opened fire on him with a barrage of dozens of bullets.	yes	yes	A huge public outcry was horrified by the public execution of Hall. "It appeared to be a firing squad dressed in police uniform." Hall's mother said. In August, the Dept of Justice agreed to investigate the case. On Sept 13, 2012, the state said they would NOT press charges against any of the six shooters. On September 21, 2012, the supervising officer at the scene was demoted and two other officers were "reprimanded". All returned to duty.

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7/2/2012	 Michael Deangelo Laney	28	Charlotte	NC	alleged	Officers spotted a Black man on a red scooter who "matched the description" of a scooter used in an armed robbery. They gave chase, Laney ditched scooter and tried to run into his home. A scuffle ensued. Police allege that while they had Laney pinned on the ground, he used his free hand to reach for a gun, so they shot him in the head. Witnesses state that police were holding Laney's hands behind his back when an officer holding him panicked and yelled "he's got a gun". A second officer fired and killed Laney in front of his three children.	no	yes	Dozens of people poured into the streets to protest. One told the press, "We were looking at the news the other day when a young white man shot at a cop and he's still living right now today to talk about it. This young man is dead...he's gone." On August 21, 2012 Charlotte District Attorney ruled that the officer who killed Laney, A.J. Holzauer, was justified.
7/3/2012	 Josiah Antwan Tate	2	Anderson	SC	no	Deputy Sheriff Jahwaun Blair, left his gun on the bedroom counter before he went out to run errands. Tate, who lived with his mother in Blair's home, accidentally shot himself.	no	yes	Although the coroner ruled that the death was accidental, Tate's grandmother is suing the department and Blair for negligence and wrongful death.
7/3/2012	 Lorenzo Davis Jr.	28	Memphis	TN	no	Six officers surrounded an abandoned house on a report that cocaine was being sold there. Police alleged that when they tried to arrest Davis, he hit an officer and tried to run away. Several witnesses observed six officers beating him and he was bleeding profusely when they dragged him to the police car. Police took him to the hospital where he died.	no	yes	Hospital staff told Davis' mother that he had severe head injuries, internal bleeding and a broken leg and only tylenol was found in his system. But an autopsy report issued on 9/25/12 concluded that Davis died from cocaine toxicity. His case is one of the six killings of Memphis Black people that The Memphis Black Autonomy Federation is protesting.

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7/4/2012	 Edgar Owens	46	New York City (Queens)	NY	knife	Owens stabbed an MTA Officer in the eye without apparent cause. Officer John Barnett shot and killed Owens. Owens had a history of mental illness.	yes	no	Media coverage glorified the officer's heroism and bravery. Little attention was paid to Owen's history of mental illness and that the incident might have been avoided with appropriate mental health services.
7/5/2012	 Keith Jamarcus Durham	29 or 30	Columbia	SC	no	Deputy Sheriff Reginald Grant observed Durham arguing with a woman near a Quality Inn. When Grant approached, Durham ran. When the deputy caught up with Durham, they scuffled and Grant shot him when Durham allegedly tried to reach for his taser.	no	yes	NA
7/8/2012	 Marquise Sampson	19	Chicago	IL	alleged	Chicago police shot Sampson multiple times in the back as he ran. He allegedly had robbed a restaurant. Police claim they shot him because he pulled "a gun from a cap."	no	yes	Trevin Louis, 19, was charged with Sampson's murder because he allegedly was Sampson's accomplice in the robbery that led to Sampson's death.
7/8/2012	 Adaisha Miller	24	Detroit	MI	no	Miller was celebrating her upcoming 25th birthday at a party given by Isaac Parrish, an off-duty police officer. Parrish was carrying a concealed loaded gun with no safety device. When Miller hugged him from behind, the police allege that the gun accidentally went off and killed her.	no	yes	Police have informed Miller's family that the investigation of her death may take up to two years. Meanwhile the family has hired a private investigator and community members gather every Sunday to remember her.






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7/9/2012	 Keyeon Johnson	23	Detroit	MI	yes	Plainclothes officers were patrolling when they heard gunshots. They found Johnson and shot him when he leveled his gun at them.	no	yes	NA
7/10/2012	 Brandon Jones	23	St. Louis	MO	alleged	Police allege that they responded to a homeowner's call about a burglary in progress. The suspects emerged from the house. In one report they fired at police and in another they pointed weapons at police. No police were hurt.	no	yes	His burglary accomplices were charged with Jones' murder.
7/10/2012	 Karen Day Jackson	45	Wichita	KS	knife	Jackson's husband called police to report she had come to his home, despite the protective order he was under to stay away from her, and that she had a mental illness. When police arrived, she was sitting on the porch stabbing herself. Police claimed she rushed at them and then they fired. Her husband said that she was 5 to 7 feet away when they fired.	yes	yes	Jackson's daughter told media that everyone called Jackson, "Mama Karen" and there was no reason for the police to shoot. She may have been distraught, but she wasn't a criminal. Occupy Wichita protested her killing.




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7/11/2012	 Tremayne Marshawn Williams	27	San Bernardino	CA	no	Police attempted to stop his vehicle allegedly because they suspected it was stolen. Williams allegedly rammed the police car and they shot him.	no	yes	The same "unnamed" officer who killed Williams shot and killed another 21 year old under similar circumstances on July 31, 2012.
7/12/2012	 Ronald Melvin Cox	48	Reisterstown	MD	knife or other cutting tool (sword)	A Baltimore County SWAT team invaded Cox's home looking for suspects (not Cox). When an officer broke into Cox's 2nd floor bedroom, Officer Carlos Artson found him with a sword and shot him. This was Artson's second SWAT-related killing.	no	yes	NA
7/13/2012	 Dewayne North	39	Atlanta	GA	yes	Police responded to a report of a break-in. North allegedly held hostages at gunpoint, demanded money and threatened to chop off their heads with a machete and rape them. Intruders were fleeing the home as officers arrived.	no	yes	NA




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7/13/2012	 Devonte Bowman	20	Baltimore	MD	alleged	Bowman fit the description of a man who had been reported as armed. Bowman ran and allegedly ignored commands. Officer Sherod Molock shot him when he allegedly reached in his pocket.	no	yes	NA
7/13/2012	 Anthony Mansfield	50	Hartford	CN	no	Officer Taikwon Dudley crashed into the car Mansfield was driving. His account of the crash differed from witnesses and forensic investigation.	no	yes	On October 18, Dudley was charged with negligent homicide, reckless driving, failure to obey a traffic signal. But since he was going to the aid of an officer "chasing an armed suspect", the punishment will be lenient. Mansfield's family is also filing a civil suit against the Police Department for poor training and supervision.
7/13/2012	 Matthew Henderson	28	Philadelphia	PA	alleged	Police stopped Henderson's car when he allegedly ran a red light. Because the officer smelled marijuana, he called for backup before he asked Henderson to step out of the car. As three officers approached, Henderson emerged from the car and allegedly pointed a gun at the officer.	no	yes	NA



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7/14/2012	 Derick D. Alexander	51	Columbus	OH	alleged knife	Police responded to a report of domestic violence. When police arrived, Alexander attempted to stab them. Officer Timothy Davis shot and killed him.	no	yes	The Grand Jury declined to indict officer Davis.
7/15/2012	 Timmie Williams	36	Miami	FL	knife	Police responded to a call about a rowdy block party and found Williams with a knife. Police allege that when they ordered Williams to put the knife down, he did not comply so they shot him. Witnesses said "They didn't tell him to freeze, they didn't tell him to do nothing." His mother, Rosalee Williams, told media, "I was standing here when he was shooting my son. He didn't say he was police or nothing. He just got out of the car, walked up to him, just shooting him."	no	yes	Later accounts reported that Williams had been trying to defend his sister against a man who was assaulting her.
7/17/2012	 Thomas Destin	21	Columbus	OH	alleged	Destin had called police for help because people were breaking into his apartment. When Officer William Kaufman arrived, he shot Destin in his chest and hip because he was allegedly holding a pistol. Destin's roommate and family reported that Destin did not own a gun.	no	yes	On 12/20/12 a Columbus Grand Jury cleared officer William Kaufman of Destin's death.




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7/20/2012	 Davano Pouncil	26	Tulsa	OK	yes	Police chased Pouncil, who was a suspect in an armed robbery of a donut store. There was an exchange of gunfire. It was not clear whether Pouncil died of a self-inflicted wound or not.	no	yes	NA
7/21/2012	 Jacqueline Robinson Culp	59	Atlanta	GA	no	While on an emergency call, Officer Joshua Sieck crashed his patrol car into Culp.	no	yes	Sieck was fired and has been charged with 2nd degree vehicular homicide, a misdemeanor.
7/22/2012	 Alesia Thomas	35	Los Angeles	CA	no	Thomas tried to surrender custody of her children at the police department, saying her addiction got in the way of caring for them. The LAPD came to her house and tried to arrest her for Child Endangerment. She resisted arrest. One officer kicked her in the genital area. Eventually they hog-tied her and threw her in the patrol car. Police ignored her complaints of chest pain. She died within minutes.	yes	yes	The Thomas family is suing LAPD for wrongful death and to obtain the dash cam video.




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7/22/2012	 Javon J. Neal	16	Tampa	FL	alleged	Officers investigated a call (the 4th of the day) about gunshots at an apartment complex. They claimed Neal "matched the suspect's description." He fled when they approached, ran up 3 flights of stairs where police shot him. Witnesses' accounts differ sharply from police. Police say he had an assault-style shotgun in his pant leg (as he ran upstairs) and pointed it at them as they reached the 3rd floor. Witnesses claim he had no gun and had raised his hands when they shot him 6 or 7 times.	no	yes	The community protested the shooting a number of times. The State's Attorney ruled the homicide by Officers Shannon Murphy and Gregory Pryor was justified. This was Pryor's second killing of a suspect within the last year.
7/23/2012	 Brandon Payne	23	Boston (Lynn)	MA	alleged	Police alleged that they observed Payne passing a shotgun to others and enter a car. When police tried to stop the car, it rammed them. Police fired. It is unclear if Payne was driving.	no	yes	Payne's family told media, "He didn't deserve to die like that. We want justice."

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7/24/2012	 James Harper	31	Dallas (South)	TX	no	Police raided an alleged "drug house" in response to a false 911 call from a man who had a "beef" with Harper. Harper ran from the house, allegedly scuffled with officer Brian Rowden. Rowden shot him at least 4 times. Rowden claimed he thought Harper was reaching in his pocket, but he never did. Witnesses also reported that there was no scuffle--let alone one that left Rowden at risk for death, as the Police Chief claimed.	no	yes	300 outraged members of the Dixon Circle community marched on Police HQ to demand justice. Police SWAT teams responded with pepper spray and pointed AR-15's at kids. "Police are always killing people, and it's always our people getting killed," one resident told a Dallas Observer reporter. "Every time you look around, one of us is dead." On August 10, Dallas Police Chief posted on DPD Facebook page a list of new policies that included training all officers in taser use, stricter reporting procedures and other measures. He also released a "Synopsis" of the shooting that exonerated Officer Rowden.
7/25/2012	 Richard Julius Larrance	19	Clearwater	FL	yes	Patrol officers observed Larrance who was wanted on a warrant. He ran when they approached and fired at them. He was struck multiple times but ducked into an apartment. After waiting to enter, police found him dead inside.	no	no	Neighbors complained that the police let him "bleed out." "You don't just sit there and let a man die."
7/26/2012	 Dawayne Lavar Grant Sr.	35	Akron	OH	alleged	Officers attempted to stop Grant's vehicle, but instead of pulling over, Grant led the police on a slow pursuit (25 MPH). When Grant stopped, he ran up a driveway into a backyard and allegedly drew a weapon. Police fired.	no	yes	NA

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7/28/2012	 Chavis Carter	21	Jonesboro	AR	alleged	Police initially stopped and searched Chavis' vehicle for a "traffic violation." Police allege Carter shot himself in the head while handcuffed in the backseat of the police patrol car and after the police searched him. No Carter fingerprints found were on "suicide gun". The officers involved were Keith Baggett and Ron Marsh.	no	yes	The police's incredible story evoked protest and calls for investigation. The Jonesboro Police Chief has closed the case as a suicide and the officers involved have returned to duty. But family and community continue to poke holes in his story, call for his resignation and prepare law suits. For details, go to <a href="http://www.copblock.org/19144/chavis-carter/">www.copblock.org/19144/chavis-carter/</a> (After the case received national attention, one of the officers received a reprimand for stopping Chavis when there was no evident "wrongdoing.")
7/30/2012	 Gregory Martinez Hughes	22	Tupelo	MS	alleged	Officers were responding to a report of shots fired at an apartment complex. Police claimed Hughes fired on them but witnesses say he tried to drop his gun and shot himself in the leg before officers fatally shot him.	no	yes	On 11/2/12 a Grand Jury cleared the police officers.
8/7/2012	 Monta Cordell Fizer	33	Houston	TX	alleged	Police responded to a call from Fizer's estranged wife that he was on his way to her workplace and had threatened to kill her. When he arrived, he ignored officers' instructions to show his hands and get on the ground. He held one hand behind his back. Officers shot.	no	yes	NA






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8/7/2012	 Devante Brown	20	Lafayette	LA	alleged	Brown was a suspect in a narcotics transaction (that had been observed by undercover police). Police report "he fled on foot" but their report said nothing about what happened immediately before he fled. They allege they exchanged gunfire, but no officers were injured.	no	yes	NA
8/7/2012	 Queniya Tykia Shelton	7	Spartanburg	SC	no	Officers observed Shelton's mother, Errika Dominique Shelton, driving "erratically" (following too close or making improper lane change.) When she noticed police were following her, she allegedly accelerated. Police chased her at speeds up to 100 MPH. When she lost control of the car and crashed, her daughter, Queniya, was ejected and died from her injuries.	no	yes	The elder Shelton was charged with her daughter's death and the officers involved were exonerated on the grounds they didn't know a child was on board and followed protocol. The policy of a number of police departments is to avoid dangerous chases unless a serious crime like homicide is involved.
8/8/2012	 Divonte Young	19	Chicago	IL	yes	Three miles east of 63rd and Honore, police shot and killed a 19 year old who opened fire on them after they observed him firing at two people.	no	no	Young's killing was one of many that was ignored in the media except for a one-line announcement and a dismissal of his humanity by labeling him a "gang member".
8/8/2012	 Jonte Loven House	24	Long Beach	CA	yes	A group of armed men robbed employees and customers at a Rite Aid. Police gave chase and "believed they were being shot at." They fired, killing House. A SWAT Team went door-to-door in the neighborhood, using an armored personnel carrier for cover, searching for another suspect.	no	TBD	NA



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8/8/2012	 Elijah Haggerty	31	Shreveport	LA	yes	Police went to a house where a gunshot had been reported. They found a woman outside the house who had been wounded, presumably by Haggerty. When they approached him inside the house, he leveled a shotgun at them and they fired.	no	no	NA
8/9/2012	 Percy Holland	32	Baltimore	MD	no	Suicidal, Holland broke into his ex-girlfriend's home, and allegedly held her hostage at gunpoint. She escaped and called 911. Police found him at an acquaintance's home and shot him when he allegedly refused to show his hands. No gun was found, even though according to some reports, he told the officers, "shoot me. I have a gun."	yes	yes	Some called this case "suicide by cop"
8/9/2012	 Shulena Weldon	36	Harrisburg	PA	no	Weldon was struck as she crossed the street by a police SUV. The media labeled the death "accidental".	no	yes	Hundreds of people attended Weldon's funeral and contributed to a memorial fund to help defray her funeral expenses. The officer who crashed into Weldon returned to duty within a month.
8/9/2012	 Damaris Jaramillo	21	Homestead	FL	alleged	Two teenagers were kidnapped and held for ransom in a trailer park. One escaped and led police to the trailer where they found the other kidnap victim and 5 people the police accused as the kidnappers. One was Jaramillo whom the police reported was the girlfriend of the owner of the trailer. They reported that they shot her when they found her holding a revolver.	no	yes	NA



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8/9/2012	 James Lamont Green	27	Newcastle	DE	alleged	Green had dispute with neighbor and fired a bullet at his car. When police stopped Green's car, he allegedly refused to show his hands, so they shot him. Witnesses say he cooperated and was shot in the back of the head.	no	yes	Speakers from the Black Clergy Consortium and NAACP addressed a community rally and called for an investigation by the federal Attorney General.
8/9/2012	 Hassan Pratt	28	Philadelphia (West)	PA	no	Pratt was a passenger in a car that an officer pulled over for a traffic violation. He allegedly fled on foot and scuffled with the officer who chased him in an alley. The officer alleged that he shot Pratt 3 times (2x in chest) when Pratt reached for him.	no	yes	Pratt's family questioned the officer's version of events.
8/9/2012	 Gustavo Pedro Moreno	57	Vacaville	CA	knife (small kitchen)	Moreno entered the Vacaville police station asking for assistance for a friend in need. His "bizarre" behavior aroused suspicion. An officer confronted Moreno in the parking lot and fatally shot him when he allegedly refused to drop a small kitchen knife. Police reported he was sweaty, disheveled and making verbal threats. He was shot when he was about 20 feet away from the officer. He had a history of mental illness.	yes	yes	NA





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8/11/2012	 Christopher Middleton	26	Chicago (Maywood)	IL	no	An off-duty officer riding a motorcycle swiped a four-year old girl, Middleton's daughter. He got into an altercation with the off-duty officer, who shot him. Witnesses say the officer did not identify himself as an officer, although police spokespeople contradict that report.	no	yes	Many observers thought that as a father, it was understandable that Middleton would be furious at seeing his daughter run over by a motorcycle. Although police will no doubt rule the killing justified, witnesses believe that Middleton was not a serious threat to the off-duty officer.
8/11/2012	 Sean D'Angelo Smith	19	Chicago (Richton Park)	IL	alleged	Security guards working at Lioncrest Townhomes approached two men inside a car who were shooting into the air. When ordered out of the car, the passenger got out, and allegedly pointed a handgun at the officers and fired. Officers returned fire. Another account does not mention the suspect firing.	no	yes	NA




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8/11/2012	 Darrius Kennedy	51	New York City (Manhattan)	NY	knife	Under NYPD's "stop and frisk" policy, an officer attempted to stop Kennedy because he appeared to be smoking marijuana. He became agitated and displayed a knife. (a 6-inch kitchen knife, not 11" like a machete" as many media repeated). Rather than call the "Emergency Service Unit" that is trained to handle people with emotional problems, more than two dozen officers, with guns drawn, ended up trailing Kennedy as he skipped thru the Times Square area for 7 blocks until they finally were able to corner and shoot him. They claimed they tried pepper spray and that he lunged at them with his knife. But despite the hundreds of witnesses and many videos the police claims cannot be verified.	yes	yes	The media replayed various videos for days after Kennedy's killing, and there was some protest of police mistreatment of the mentally ill. More than two months after the shooting, in an October 17 online edition, Der Spiegel published a major investigative report that called into question the police version of events. Another website alleged that a police detective confiscated a recording that proved that Kennedy did not lunge at police before Officers Michael Massett and Peter Rogers shot him.
8/11/2012	 Cjavar "DeeJay" Galmon	18	Tangipahoa	LA	no	Sheriff's deputies were called to help break up a fight in the parking lot of a club. Galmon was not involved in the fight. The police had a man they thought was armed on the ground. Galmon approached with his hands in the air to tell the officers they were arresting the wrong man. Deputy William Phebus shot him in the face, while his hands were still in the air.	no	yes	The Sheriff and later a Grand Jury ruled that the killing was "accidental", not criminal. Deputy Phebus had a very long history of use of excessive force in at least 5 different law enforcement agencies and the family has filed a federal suit charging "wrongful death." The community has mobilized for "Justice for DeeJay"





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8/12/2012	 Michael Perryman	52	Atlanta Metro (Decatur)	GA	alleged knife	Police alleged that he was wielding a knife at a Chevron Station and customers felt threatened. When he refused to drop the knife, police shot him. But a witness told authorities that Perryman wasn't doing "anything except talking to himself like he always did."	yes	yes	NA
8/12/2012	 Tony Taylor	26	Jackson	MS	no	Taylor, who was visiting his mother at the apartment complex, had a hostile relationship with Jose Benavides, the security guard there. They had an altercation, but Taylor had no shirt on and his hands were in the air when Benevides shot him.	no	yes	Benavides was charged with murder and bond was set at \$50,000. Family and neighbors reported that many people in the Complex had problems with Benavides and said that the shooting was racially motivated. Police increased their presence at the complex after the shooting fearing a "volatile situation."
8/12/2012	 Bobby Moore Jr.	15	Little Rock	AR	no	Officer Josh Hastings claimed Moore's car was coming towards him but investigation disproved the cop's allegation	no	yes	Hastings was charged with felony manslaughter. He was suspended from the police force six times within 5 yrs.
8/12/2012	 Darryl Wiggins	47	Smithfield	NC	yes	Wiggins and his cousin had been drinking all day. In the evening neighbors called the police because they heard arguing and gunshots. Police allege that when they arrived, Wiggins pointed a gun at them, although a witness said he tried to surrender.	yes	yes	Wiggins blood alcohol level was .16, twice the legal limit to drive. On December 21, the DA ruled the shooting was "justified".

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8/13/2012	 Bobby Mister Lowe	36	Decatur	AL	no	Police responded to call from a neighbor that Lowe was drunk and harassing his girlfriend. An officer found Lowe in the parking lot and alleged that he shot him with his handgun when Lowe tried to take away his rifle. Lowe had a history of mental illness and told officers he was bipolar.	yes	yes	NA
8/16/2012	 Ivan Carl Hardemon	24	Iowa City	IA	alleged	The Johnson County Drug Task Force was conducting an undercover drug deal. Agent Daniel Stepleton alleged that he shot Hardemon after Hardemon held a gun to his head. However, the officer's description of the events leading up to the shooting leaves many questions about what actually happened.	no	yes	The DA cleared Agent Stepleton and ruled the homicide "justified" only 8 days later on August 24.
8/17/2012	 Kevin Willingham	51	Cincinnati	OH	yes	A social worker and police officer informed Willingham that he was no longer to be the guardian of his bed-ridden sister and that they needed to make a wellness check. The officer, Benjamin Schneider, shot Willingham when he pointed a gun at him.	no	yes	NA

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8/17/2012	 Dallas Antwan Conner	29	Winston-Salem	NC	yes	Conner entered a motorcycle shop with a shotgun and demanded the keys to a motorcycle. A plainclothes detective, Michael Poe, happened to be in the shop on his lunch break. He shot Conner 8 times without warning.	no	yes	NA
8/18/2012	 Daniel Exum	26	Atlanta	GA	no	An unlicensed security guard, Marvin Copeland, shot Exum near the entrance to his brother's auto parts yard.	no	yes	Copeland was charged with murder.
8/18/2012	 Rudolph Bell	63	Baltimore	MD	knife or other cutting tool (a bottle)	Bell was a homeless veteran with mental illness. Police allege they were investigating a burglary in an abandoned building where Bell squatted. When they found Bell on the 3rd floor, he allegedly lunged at them with a sharp object. Police fired multiple times.	yes	yes	Neighbors claimed that "Mr. Ruddy" was a "neighborhood stalwart who looked out for everybody and didn't bother nobody." The Baltimore People's Assembly disputed the police account: "How can it be a burglary in an abandoned building?" "The police could have de-escalated the problem without force."
8/18/2012	 DeEric Bailey	22	Shreveport	LA	no	Bailey led police on a brief chase when they tried to stop him for a traffic violation. He hit a concrete barrier and Officers Jennifer Monereau and Hai Phan shot him when he tried to drive off again. An autopsy showed he had an alcohol blood content of .304. (the legal limit is .08)	no	yes	The community protested Bailey's killing and filed petitions. In September the NAACP requested an investigation by the Dept of Justice. One of the officers, Monereau, has a history of complaints of using excessive force. On Feb. 8, 2013, the DA ruled the killing was justified.






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8/20/2012	 Ronald Lovell Wright	32	Chattanooga	TN	yes	A neighbor called 911 when she witnessed a home invasion. The police surrounded the house (thought to be a dealers' house) and ordered everyone out. Wright exited through the rear window. Some reports say he was "armed" with a rifle or shot gun, some say he "brandished" it, some say he "confronted officers" and some say he pointed it at officers. Four officers shot him.	no	yes	The homicide by David Allen, Justin Mitchell, Bryan Moody and Jeremiah Cook of Wright was ruled "justified"
8/20/2012	 Damion Lavent Street	33	Starkville	MS	knife	Police went to investigate reports of a man standing in a road wielding a knife. The officer allegedly attempted to subdue him with taser and pepper spray and when that didn't work, he shot Street. Street had a history of mental illness.	yes	yes	NA
8/21/2012	 Burrell Ramsey Wright	26	Boston	MA	alleged	Plainclothes officers attempted a traffic stop. Wright ran away on foot. When he allegedly brandished a handgun and refused orders to drop it, police shot him.	no	yes	The officers who stopped Wright never gave a reason for the traffic stop. Witnesses said they never saw Wright with a gun. The Black Community Information Center is demanding transparency.




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8/21/2012	 Terrance Lamar "Tank" Abrams	25	Pensacola	FL	alleged	Police responded to a "shots fired" report and chased Abrams who was running from the scene. Officers allegedly ordered him onto the ground and "when he did, he pulled out a handgun and shot at the officer." During an exchange of gunfire Abrams was killed." Officer Coy McKenna was not hurt. Witnesses insisted Abrams had no gun. "They killed Tank right there on DeSoto for running..." Another witness said, "cause we stay in the projects...that don't mean shoot us."	no	yes	NA
8/22/2012	 Calvin Lee Robinson	21	Birmingham Metro (Brighton)	AL	no	The driver of the car Robinson had been a passenger in had a "confrontation" with an undercover narcotics officer. Robinson was killed by a shot to the back of his head and the driver was wounded. The media gave no indication that Robinson had been armed or had fired on police or if drugs were found. He had \$5 in his pocket when he died.	no	yes	Robinson's brother said, "He was just in the wrong place at the wrong time. Everyone in the community will tell you that my brother was not a drug dealer."
8/24/2012	 Thomas Austin Jr.	early 30's	Goldsboro	NC	alleged	Wayne County Sheriff's deputies were executing a narcotics search warrant when men inside the house on Slaughter Street shot at them. It is unclear if the deceased had been shooting but a deputy was wounded.	no	yes	NA



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8/24/2012	 Albert Jermaine Payton	24	Washington	DC	knife (kitchen or steak)	Officers responded to a domestic disturbance call. They alleged that they shot Payton after he failed to comply with orders to drop the knife and moved towards them. Multiple witnesses said that he did comply and dropped the knife but 4 or 5 officers still shot him. One witness said he was on the opposite side of the street from the officers and posed no threat to them. Another neighbor said Payton had mental problems, but a good heart.	yes	yes	NA
8/26/2012	 Corey Kaufman	32	Baton Rouge	LA	no	Kaufman made verbal threats against the security guards as they removed him from an after-hours club. He allegedly went to his car and pointed a gun at the security officers and they shot him four times.	no	yes	Although the guards claimed he pointed a gun at them, and they shot in self defense, witnesses insisted he had no gun. Later a gun, for which Kaufman had a permit to carry legally, was found under his car seat. Friends and family hosted a peace rally and circulated an online petition for justice.
8/26/2012	 Delores Epps	54	Memphis	TN	no	Memphis Police officer Alex Beard was speeding and ran a red light on duty without his flashing lights or siren when he crashed into a car driven by Mackala's father.	no	yes	The killing sparked community outrage. People claimed officers routinely disregard traffic rules. Beard was fired on 2/19/13 and did not appeal his firing before the deadline. No decision has yet been made re criminal charges. The Ross family is suing for criminal negligence.




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8/26/2012	 Mackala Ross	13	Memphis	TN	no	Memphis Police officer Alex Beard was speeding without his flashing lights or siren when he crashed into a car driven by Ross's father.	no	yes	(see entry for Epps above)
8/28/2012	 Tony Louis Francis	22	Los Angeles Metro (Bellflower)	CA	no	Sheriffs' deputy alleged that he witnessed Francis punch a man and rob him. Francis fled on foot while the deputy chased him from the patrol car. The deputy crashed the car in an alley and alleged he shot Francis when he thought Francis was reaching into his waistband for a gun. No gun was found. Francis was shot in the back. Witnesses deny there was a robbery.	no	yes	A hundred people gathered for a memorial vigil. The family has protested at the Board of Supervisors and have hired an attorney to file a wrongful death suit. The attorney said "police invent scenarios to make unjustified shootings seem justified." The LA Civil Rights Association claims that the Sheriffs are covering up their own crime.
8/29/2012	 Myron Pollard	18	St. Louis	MO	alleged	ATF agents had been investigating Pollard and 3 other Black youths (2 seventeen year-olds and one 22) who allegedly had been planning a robbery. It is unclear if the undercover ATF agents or the youths initiated the plans. When the ATF agents decided to arrest the youths, they alleged that one tried to rundown an agent with their car. The agent fired and hit Pollard, who was a passenger.	no	yes	The three surviving suspects were charged with murder. The press did not consider that the ATF may have entrapped the youth.




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8/30/2012	 Aaron Palmer	24	Seminole	OK	knife	Police kicked in the door, making a military-style "no knock entry" to serve a warrant on Palmer's dad for his failure to comply with drug court. Initial police reports said that Palmer confronted them with a knife, presumably to defend his father. But witnesses insisted that Palmer's father was not home and, more importantly, Palmer had been chopping onions and celery for dinner when they invaded the house and they shot him immediately. Witnesses also remarked that there were children's toys in the driveway, which did not deter the police from entering with guns drawn to blast.	no	yes	The community was outraged and held a vigil. His landlord and employer defended Palmer. The officer who shot Palmer, Kenneth Cherry apparently was a rookie who was not certified. A petition for justice has been circulating and the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation is studying the case. Palmer's death is one of the clearest examples seen in 2012 of the casualties of the militarized "war on drugs" or "Operation Ghetto Storm"
8/31/2012		19	Minneapolis Metro (Woodbury)	MN	no	Henderson was one of 8 people who were held hostage by a gunman, who raped the women hostages, in the Red Roof Inn. He managed to flee the gunman but the gunman fired at him as he opened the door and then, as he ran towards the police, the police assumed he was the hostage-taker and shot him.	no	yes	The officers claimed they were justified because he refused their commands to stop, but he was trying to get out of the line of fire of his kidnapper. His mother pointed out, "In a hostage situation, you just don't open fire without knowing who is who." The community protested Henderson's killing but as of 11/16/12 the mother was still not allowed to bury her son because his body was being held as evidence.




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8/31/2012	 Prince Jamel Gavin	29	Tacoma	WA	yes	Gavin was an Army sergeant, an Iraq combat medic packing to transfer to a base in Colorado. Officers arrived to check on a report of a domestic disturbance. Reports of what happened next are sketchy. Officer Keith O'Rourke--who had been involved in two other shootings in the last six years-- shot Gavin because "he felt threatened." Gavin was on active military duty.	implied	yes	The Tacoma Police Department issued a statement that it appeared the shooting was justified. From Gavin's Facebook page, there is some indication that Gavin may have been having emotional problems.
9/2/2012	 Mario "Papaya" Romero	23	Vallejo	CA	no	Police approached a "suspicious" parked car. Police shot Romero while he was sitting in his car with a friend outside his home. Police claimed he "appeared" to reach (into waistband or in glove compartment or under seat were all versions they gave) for a pistol (which turned out to be a recreational pellet gun). Witnesses say he was shot before he had a chance to reach for anything or to get out of the car. They fired 31 rounds.	no	yes	A militant community continues to protest Romero's killing. On 9/19, hoping to pacify the protests, Vallejo Mayor requested that Kamala Harris, the State Attorney General, investigate the killing. As recently as 3/3/13, outraged community members briefly occupied the Vallejo City Council demanding justice. Burris, the family's attorney is calling for a federal investigation of a pattern of racial profiling and excessive force.
9/3/2012	 Laporsha R. Watson	27	Jacksonville (Springfield)	FL	no	Watson was struck by a patrol car driven by Lt. Jimmy Ricks of Jacksonville's Sheriff's Dept. as she was walking across the Interstate at 5:40AM	no	yes	Police and media implied she was to be blame for her own death since it is illegal to cross the Interstate,

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9/5/2012	 Omarri Williams	17	Orlando	FL	yes	Police opened fire on Williams when they allegedly observed him shooting at other teenagers he was trying to rob. No one was hurt except Williams.	no	yes	Williams' mother disputed the police version of events. One of the officers who shot Williams, Travis Lamont, had an excessive force lawsuit filed against him in 2010. His victim was awarded \$880,000
9/7/2012	 Rasheen Rahan Wright	31	Cochran	GA	alleged	In the course of an arrest over the theft of a baseball bat, Wright allegedly scuffled with sheriff's deputies who then tasered him. They alleged "that when the taser stopped, Wright pulled out a gun and aimed it at the deputy." A 2nd officer shot him. A witness reported he never saw Wright with a gun.	no	yes	NA
9/7/2012	 Reynaldo Cuevas	20	New York City (Bronx)	NY	no	Police responded to a call about a grocery store robbery. When they arrived, Cuevas, an Afro Latino, who worked at the store, escaped the robbers who had just pistol-whipped his uncle and ran out the front door and collided with Officer Ramysh Bangli. The officer pinned him on the ground and, according to Commissioner Kelly, "accidentally" shot him.	no	yes	Despite vigils and marches And the family working with a lawyer, on March 3, 2013, the DA decided not to charge the officer. The police commissioner declared the killing was an "accident" before there was any investigation. In a Take-Back-The-Bronx rally Cephus Johnson, the uncle of murdered Oscar Grant, urged the community to keep up the pressure. The family plans to file a civil suit.

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9/7/2012	 Walwyn "Smiley" Jackson	27	New York City (Queens)	NY	knife (small kitchen)	Jackson was depressed because he had been unemployed and could not support his two-week old child. His grandmother called for an ambulance when he threatened suicide. Instead of an ambulance, police arrived and fatally shot Jackson when he allegedly lunged at an officer.	yes	yes	Jackson's mother told the press, "How are you calling an ambulance for help and your child ends up dead!" Family and community members organized a vigil and march to hold police accountable.
9/8/2012	 Carleton J. Wallace	30	Alexander	AR	no	Officer Cummings detained Wallace because he allegedly had a gun in his waistband. (If he ever had one he threw it away before Cummings detained him.) The account of Officer Nancy Cummings has changed but her final story was that she accidentally shot Wallace while she was patting him down. Witnesses claim she shot Wallace in the back twice as she had him against the car.	no	yes	Wallace's mother does not think the killing was accidental. "How do you shoot someone two times in the back accidentally. I want justice for my baby...this was just like back in the day with vigilantes." On January 25, 2013, Cummings was charged with manslaughter and allowed to post \$10,000 bond.
9/11/2012	 Andre Oliver	27	Atlanta Metro (Austell, Cobb County)	GA	no	A security guard with a history of picking fights with the residents of the Parkview Atlanta Apartment Complex had an altercation with Oliver and shot him. A stray bullet also wounded a bystander in the leg.	no	yes	Witnesses reported they had been complaining to the management about the security guard because he often threatened residents with his pistol or with eviction. They are angry the police did not charge the unidentified guard with a crime. He claimed "self-defense". A grand jury may investigate.






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9/13/2012	 Labaran Idhaoji	26	Houston	TX	knife	Officers J.A. Rincon and B. J. Morley responded to a call about a family disturbance. The family was trying to subdue Idhaoji, who had threatened them with a knife. When officers arrived he ignored their orders to drop the knife and began to "approach" them. Their reports do not say he lunged.	yes	yes	NA
9/14/2012	 Christopher McGowan	22	Chicago	IL	alleged	Police arrived at a block party to check a report of someone with a gun. Witnesses pointed out three men who may have been armed. The men fled on foot. Media reported that two of them pointed guns at the police. It is unclear if McGowan had a gun and/or he pointed it.	no	yes	NA
9/16/2012	 Jermane Lucas	29	Omaha	NE	alleged	Patrol officers heard gunshots and saw Lucas running towards them. There were more gunshots and muzzle flashes. Lucas tried to get into a car but the car drove off. The officers allege that a gun dropped from his waistband as he crouched. They yelled at him not to move, but he reached for the weapon and they fired.	no	yes	NA
9/20/2012	 Danny David Ferguson	60	High Point	NC	knife	Police responded to a call about a stabbing and encountered Ferguson holding a knife. They shot him when he allegedly ignored commands to drop the knife.	implied	yes	The woman who Ferguson allegedly stabbed had minor injuries




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9/20/2012	 Tyjuan Hill	22	New York City (Brooklyn, Red Hook)	NY	alleged	"Operation Losing Proposition"-- a sting operation that uses undercover women police officers to pose as prostitutes--attempted to arrest Hill as he allegedly made a deal with the "prostitute." He ran and then scuffled with police. Police shot him in the back of the head during the scuffle.	no	yes	NA
9/21/2012	 Anthony Anderson	46	Baltimore	MD	no	In the course of a drug arrest, witnesses observed police pick Anderson up and slam him on his head. Police initially claimed Anderson died from swallowing drugs, but recanted when an autopsy found he died from blunt force trauma. He had 6 broken ribs, a ruptured spleen and other injuries from the beating the police gave him. Despite police reports, witnesses and family members insist that Anthony was not involved in a drug deal and therefore the slam had no justification.	no	yes	The State Attorney, on 1/4/13, ruled the homicide by Officers Gregg Boyd, Michael Vodarick and Todd Strohman was justified because the police had "no intent to kill" and that slamming a suspect on his head was accepted policy to prevent ingestion of drugs. The State Attorney also ignored witnesses and an autopsy report that police had kicked and beaten Anthony. Community organizations continue to rally for justice for Anthony and the Dept of Justice is investigating.
9/21/2012	 Mohamed Bah	28	New York City (Manhattan)	NY	knife or other cutting tool (alleged stabbing implement)	Bah's mother called for an ambulance because her son was depressed and behaving abnormally. Instead the police came. Their combativeness and refusal to let Bah's mother speak to him in their his Guinean language, further upset Bah. NYPD alleged that Bah threatened them with a 13-inch knife, 3 officers fired a total of 10 rounds.	yes	yes	On October 7, hundreds of people marched from City Hall to Police HQ to protest the rash of killings by police, including Bah. Also, The community of African immigrants in NYC has mobilized to protest Bah's killing and recent ruling that one of the killers of Amadou Diallo can return to armed active duty. Bah's family is suing NYPD for \$20 million for failure to follow protocol in dealing with mentally ill people.



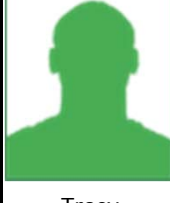
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9/23/2012	 Henry Frankie Lee Sr	77	Seattle	WA	yes	Through his medical alert system Lee notified the police that there were suspicious voices outside his home. He was agitated and held a handgun when police arrived at his door. He did not respond to commands to drop the gun and police shot him. Lee had dementia and other illnesses	yes	yes	The officers who shot Lee were Daina Boggs and Nate Patterson. The King County Executive ordered an inquest. An organization called Mothers for Police Accountability called for police to change their policy for dealing with calls that come thru the medical alert system.
9/24/2012	 Justin Thompson	15	Memphis	TN	alleged	Thompson, a freshman at SE Prep Academy, was walking home from the store with two other teens when an off-duty Memphis police officer, Terrance Shaw (28) shot and killed him. MPD claimed Thompson attempted an armed robbery on Shaw but there is contradictory evidence. MPD claimed Shaw fired one shot, but evidence of 4 additional shots was found. Apparently the circumstances of Thompson's killing were so questionable that they spurred the Mayor to hire consultants to review MPD recruitment, training and disciplinary policies.	no	yes	More than 300 attended Thompson's funeral, vigils, petitions and community protests followed. As of Dec. 3, 2012 the TN Bureau of Investigation was still reviewing the incident and said it will not release findings until sometime in 2013. Officer Shaw was involved in 3 shootings prior to this one and has been observed cruising in front of Thompson's house while off duty. Community activists claim Shaw is a dirty cop involved in drug trade.
9/27/2012	 Earl D. Brown	73	Lauderhill	FL	yes	Brown was a security guard at a recycling center. He called police to report a suspected prowler there. When the police arrived, they shot Brown because they "perceived his firearm was a threat.". A witness said that Brown yelled, "I'm a security guard and put his hands in the air but police had already started shooting.	no	yes	Brown died two weeks after the shooting. Community members told the media he was "well known and loved in the community."




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9/28/2012	 Alton Davis Jr.	32	Henderson	LA	no	An undercover narcotics investigator approached Davis' car in a grocery store parking lot. The officer shot him after Davis allegedly drove his car into him.	no	yes	NA
10/2/2012	 David Nathan Alexis	26	Miami	FL	alleged	Detectives from the Robbery Intervention Detail were conducting surveillance parked in an unmarked car. Alexis arrived in his car, parked near the detectives and allegedly approached them with one hand behind his back. Detectives claimed that they identified themselves and ordered Alexis to stop and show his hands. However, according to them, "A confrontation ensued and shots were fired." There was no claim that Alexis' gun was fired.	no	yes	No report other than that of the police is available.
10/4/2012	 Frederick Wayne Grayson	45	Houston Metro (Baytown)	TX	yes	Four officers (Wes Pentacost, Kevin Davis, Robert Scott and Brad Turner) responded to a domestic violence call made by Grayson's girlfriend after he fired a pistol at her couch. When they arrived, Grayson was driving away. As they chased him, they alleged he held a gun to his head and finally crashed into another vehicle. When they approached, they alleged he was lying on his back on the car seat, pointing the gun at them. Some reports allege he fired at police from inside car, others say he fired at them after he emerged from the car. They fired back.	yes	no	NA




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10/5/2012	 Mohammed Ibrahim Shah	21	Hayward	CA	alleged	After a report of a speeding car, police approached a car they had identified as stolen. The driver was told to raise hands; police claim he did not comply, so they shot him.	no	yes	NA
10/5/2012	 Robert Montgomery III	29	Wilkes-Barre	PA	yes	Police found Montgomery--who was wanted for attempted homicide--in his father's apartment. When they attempted to arrest him, Montgomery shot and wounded both his father and an officer. Other officers fatally shot him.	no	no	NA
10/8/2012	 Tracy Woodfork	22	Washington Metro (Silver Springs, MD)	DC	yes (with replica gun)	Woodfork himself called police and said he wanted to harm himself. Police found him outside where his girlfriend was a live-in nanny. They tried to talk to him but when he moved from the stairwell of the backyard, they shot him.	yes	yes	NA




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10/10/2012	 Irvian Adam Singleton Jr	44	Morgan City	LA	no	St Mary's Parish sheriff deputies, conducting a drug investigation, allegedly observed Singleton in a traffic violation and attempted to detain him. A car chase followed for about a mile until another car made a left turn into Singleton's path. His car overturned and he died at the scene.	no	yes	Louisiana State Police conducted a routine investigation. Reverend Bias and other community members questioned the officers for conducting a high speed chase in a residential area over an apparently petty offense. The Sheriff would not publicly reveal their policy on chases.
10/11/2012	 Kenny Releford	37	Houston	TX	no	Releford, a Navy veteran, broke into a neighbor's home, but was apparently harmless because an 87 year old man was able to kick him out. Police were called. By then Releford was back in his house but came out when police ordered him to. Police allege he walked towards them with a hand behind his back. Two witnesses said he approached the police with his hands raised above his head and was shot with his hands in the air. Neighbors say he was mentally ill and had been hospitalized for his illness.	yes	yes	Neighbors reported that they shouted to the police "not to shoot", and that the police knew that Releford had mental illness.
10/11/2012	 William "Curley" Baynes	51	Newburgh	NY	no	After a traffic stop, Baynes got into a scuffle with Trooper David Ruderfer and, "fearing for his life" Ruderfer shot him.	no	yes	Hundreds of mourners attended Baynes' funeral. On 1/28/13 the Grand Jury decided not to charge Ruderfer with any crime. Baynes' family vowed to keep pressing for justice.

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10/11/2012	 Logan Bell	18	Rockford	IL	yes (with pellet gun)	Bell's grandmother called 911 for help with Bell, who had bipolar disorder and she feared might hurt himself. Four officers arrived. And when Bell refused commands to drop the pellet gun, they shot him 16 times. Witness accounts differ as to whether he yelled to the police, "shoot me" and if he fired the pellet gun at the police from 20 yards away.	yes	yes	Bell's family, pastor and community protested the killing. The pastor said the police should have done more to talk Bell down and subdue him without deadly force. His parents said, "Mental illness should be handled with compassion...The only thing criminal here is the response by the Rockford PD." Despite community mobilization and petitions, the Winnebago Grand Jury found that the actions of the shooters --Andre Bass, Phillip Statler, and Jeremiah Cizerle-- were justified.
10/13/2012	 Erica Collins	26	Cincinnati (Mt Airy)	OH	knife	Police responded to a domestic disturbance call from Collins' sister. They were in a dispute over gas money and Collins threatened to slash her sister's tires. Police claim she lunged at them with knife. Family witnesses said she only stood up and that no one was in danger and she dropped the knife before she was shot.	yes	yes	The family and friends of Collins held a prayer vigil conducted by Project Nehemiah Ceasefire. The family has filed a lawsuit holding Officer Matthew Latsy and the City responsible for Collins' wrongful death.
10/13/2012	 Randall Kyle Wilcox	30	Marlow	TN	no	Anderson County Sheriff's Deputy Steven Williams attempted a traffic stop for a "non-moving violation". Wilcox allegedly refused to stop, pulled into a driveway and fled on foot into the woods. Wilcox then allegedly scuffled with the Deputy and the deputy shot him when Wilcox allegedly tried to take his gun.	no	yes	A member of Wilcox' family wrote, "You only have information given by the media ( <i>which came exclusively from officers' reports</i> ). Until you know all the facts, please do not assume that Randy did anything wrong this morning."

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10/14/2012	 Jaquess Harris	26	Columbus	GA	no	A police cruiser, driven at high speed by Officer Kelly McDonnell, crashed into Harris as she was crossing the street on foot. After the car hit her, it carried her on the hood and when the officer finally stopped, Harris was thrown hard. Although the cruiser was on duty en route to back-up a fellow officer, it was not using extra lights or siren.	no	yes	The community contributed money towards Harris' funeral.
10/18/2012	 Stephanie Melson	31	Louisville	KY	no	Police were on a high speed chase pursuing a drug suspect. The suspect crashed into Melson's car, killing her.	no	yes	Melson, a mother of three and day care center teacher, was on her lunch break. At an evening vigil for her, some mourners protested the police disregard for the safety of others during high speed chases and demanded they end.
10/20/2012	 Forenzo Tyre Walker	22	Birmingham	AL	no	Walker's cousin ended his birthday party because there was a violent altercation at a club. Police arrived and alleged the shooting was chaotic. Several were wounded and Walker was killed. Police allege they couldn't be sure they shot him.	no	yes	As of 3/12/13, Birmingham press did not announce the results of any investigation.






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10/23/2012	 Victor Terrance Gaddy	41	Minneapolis/St. Paul	MN	no	An informant prompted police to track Gaddy who they suspected was delivering crack. Two unmarked squad cars boxed him in. Police alleged that Gaddy used his car as a weapon and rammed their cars. Police felt threatened so they shot Gaddy. A passenger disputed the police version and said his uncle was not attempting to ram anyone. Less than an ounce of cocaine was found in Gaddy's car. The officers involved in this shooting were Edward O'Donnell, Mark Farrington, Joshua Raichert and Christopher McGuire.	no	yes	The NAACP and the family's attorney called for an investigation. They noted that Gaddy's car didn't show the damage that would have resulted if he had deliberately rammed the squad cars. The NAACP asked, "Are police going to a scene with a stereotype in mind that leads them to handle it inappropriately?"
10/24/2012	 Prince James	18	New York City (Bronx)	NY	alleged	Off duty NY police officer observed a "robbery attempt" on a cab driver by three men on foot. When he approached the suspects, one of them shot at him (it's not clear that the shooter was James). Holding his wound, he positioned himself to return fire and shot James in the head.	no	yes	Officer Kelly, who killed James, was lauded as a hero and promoted. James' two accomplices were charged with attempted murder.





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10/24/2012	 Donnie Ray Plater	42	Shreveport	LA	yes	A witness called 911 after seeing Plater force a woman into his car at gunpoint. Officers found the car and chased it. Police allege that as they pursued Plater's car, it appeared the woman tried to get out of the car and they allegedly heard gunshots. They assume the woman (Cindy Johnson-34) died then. Soon, Plater pulled his car over to the side of the road, emerged from the car, and appeared (from the dash cam video available online) to walk calmly to the center of the road as if he had decided to "commit suicide by cop". Police allege he began shooting at them, but from the video, if he did, his shots are not visible, while the officer's multiple shots are clear.	implied	TBD	Plater had been married to Cindy Johnson since 6/10/2010 and they were in the process of divorcing. Johnson's family told the press that he stalked her and would not accept the divorce. On 12/21/12, the Caddo Parish DA ruled that the killing by officers Daniel Denby and Michael Welch was "reasonable" and no charges who be made.
10/25/2012	 Mark Anthony Brooks	42	Keller	TX	no	Kohl's store security called Keller police to assist in detaining Brooks, who was suspected of shoplifting. When Officer Hicks tried to take Brooks into custody, Brooks resisted and allegedly tried to grab the officer's gun. "To protect himself" the police report said, he shot Brooks 4 times.	no	yes	Brooks' neighbors mourned his death. They told the media that he was a good-hearted handyman who was very helpful. They questioned whether he was shoplifting because one had paid him \$400 the day before.




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10/27/2012	 Ronald Herrera	20	New York City (Bronx)	NY	no	Herrera, an Afro Latino was riding a dirt bike with Lionel Cuevas as his passenger. (Cuevas is the cousin of Reynaldo Cuevas killed by police 9/7/12.) The police account and witness accounts differ sharply. Police claim the dirt bike tried to overtake the police car and crashed. Witnesses say the police car deliberately hit the dirt bike from behind and then ran over Herrera who died 7 days later on Nov 4. Cuevas was left almost totally paralyzed.	no	yes	The Cuevas family is suing New York City for \$105 million and demanding that the Bronx DA investigate the crash. Al Sharpton and community protests are supporting the family's demands.
11/1/2012	 Corey Hayes	22	Houston	TX	no	A family dispute between Hayes and his mother and grandmother spilled into a deputy's apartment where his grandmother and mother had taken refuge. Corey followed them there, broke in the door and the off-duty deputy shot him.	implied	yes	NA
11/1/2012	 Demetrius Bennett	31	Rockford	IL	alleged knife	Police escorted Bennett's wife to their home at her request. When police took one of his children, he reached for a knife and police pepper sprayed him. After he wiped the pepper spray from his face, he allegedly "made moves" towards the officers and 4 officers shot him. They continued to shoot after he was on the ground. The officers who shot were Mark Danner, Ryan Marko, James Presley, Nolan Walker.	implied	yes	The community protested this 3rd killing of a Black man by police in Rockford in one year. Rockford's Black population is 20.5% of the city or 31,206. The Mayor responded by citing a list of initiatives that were taken since 2009, including training to deal with mentally ill "suspects" (which did not prevent them from killing Logan Bell). A Justice for Our Children Committee petitioned the US DOJ to investigate the violation of the civil rights of the 3 Black people killed by Rockford police in 2012.





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11/5/2012	 DeJuan Eaton	37	Fremont	CA	knife	Distraught over the news that his younger brother had just died in an accident, Eaton went to visit his estranged wife. When she refused sex, he snapped, she ran out of the apartment and he ran after her naked, with a knife. His ex-wife's roommate called the police who ordered him to drop the knife. When he didn't, they fired 8 times.	yes	yes	Eaton's father--who lost two sons on the same day, told the press that the police should have used a taser, rather than deadly force.
11/6/2012	 Lamont Burgess	36	St. Petersburg	FL	yes	Undercover detectives were patrolling the area because of a string of robberies. They observed the suspects trying to get away. In one account, Burgess allegedly pointed his shotgun at the officer and the officer fired at him. In another account, the officer "confronted" Burgess in the alley behind the store and shot him.	no	yes	Ebony Oliver, 20, who had accompanied Burgess was charged with his murder. On November 28, 2012, the State Attorney ruled the homicide "justifiable" and did not release the identity of the officer because he is still undercover.
11/8/2012	 Dakota Bright	15	Chicago	IL	alleged	Police allege they spotted Bright with a gun and gave chase. In some accounts they allege he pointed the gun at them. They shot him in the back of the head. The gun the police claimed he had was found three backyards away from his body.	no	yes	This Paul Robeson High School student was on his way to see his grandmother when he encountered the police. Police in full military gear threatened friends and relatives at his funeral. Protests of his killing continue.
11/8/2012	 Xavier McCord	20	Chicago (Maywood)	IL	alleged	Police responded to a call for unspecified reasons to an apartment building and tried to question McCord outside the building. He ran, the officer chased him through the back door into the building and allegedly noticed he had a gun. Reports are vague whether McCord raised his arm or pointed the gun before the officer shot him.	no	yes	NA




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11/9/2012	 Ernest. Hoskins Jr	21	Ward	AR	no	Hoskins was at a business meeting with his white boss, Chris Reynolds. Reynolds was angry about Hoskins' sales performance, held a loaded gun to his head and pulled the trigger twice.	no	yes	The Hoskins family had to engage Benjamin Crump, Trayvon Martin's attorney before Arkansas officials took action on the case. Two weeks after the shooting, Reynolds was arrested and charged with murder. In January 2013, a witness reported that the shooting did not appear to be accidental. On 3/1/13, the charge was reduced to manslaughter. The trial date is 6/5/13. Reynolds is out on \$100,000 bond.
11/10/2012	 name not released	19	Philadelphia (Kensington)	PA	yes	According to witnesses, the deceased had shot and wounded his 36 year old aunt. Police shot him when he ignored orders to put down the gun.	no	no	Online press in a number of big cities barely cover these killings, and when they do, they often only repeat the press release from the police.
11/11/2012	 Harold Joseph Collins	64	Detroit (Southfield)	MI	yes	On Veterans' Day, Collins, a military vet, entered the Police Department and pointed a handgun at an officer who was behind bullet proof glass. He stared blankly into space while officers fired at him.	yes	yes	Officers recognized that Collins was suffering from health issues. Later they learned that he had throat cancer and could not speak. It appeared that he could have been disarmed without killing him.




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11/12/2012	 Derrick Flynn	35	Philadelphia	PA	alleged	Police reportedly tried to question Flynn as he was riding a bike. They said he brandished a weapon as they scuffled, so the officer fired three shots. Witnesses insist there was no struggle, rather it was an execution.	no	yes	Community members have organized rallies and marches that question the police version of Flynn's death. An organization called "Free the Streets" chanted "Unite the block, no more cops."
11/14/2012	 Michael Wilson	20	Chicago	IL	knife	Officer arrived at a disturbance with Wilson stabbing another man. When they ordered him to stop he allegedly attacked an officer with a hammer. Police reported that a taser had no effect. Officers fired more than 30 rounds. One officer was grazed by "friendly fire".	yes	yes	Although police reports do not mention that Wilson had mental health issues, it is likely he did since generally they do not tase people who they think can be controlled through "reasoning". Also, a person in touch with their rational mind would not attack armed officers with a hammer.
11/18/2012	 Derrick Ambrose Jr	22	Waterloo	IA	yes	Officer received reports of gunplay at a bar. When Officer Kyle Law arrived, he found Ambrose allegedly waving a gun at a crowd. He ordered Ambrose to drop the gun, Ambrose ran and the officer shot him in the head.	no	yes	Ambrose had an Iowa state permit to carry the gun. The NAACP called for a federal investigation. Friends of Ambrose pointed out that since he was running away, he was no threat to the officer.
11/20/2012	 Dontez Oneal	19	Cincinnati	OH	alleged	Undercover narcotics officers bought heroin from someone who was in Oneal's car. Then they chased the car and Oneal allegedly rammed the squad car, so the officer shot him. (In an earlier report, police claimed Oneal shot at an officer.)	no	yes	NA

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11/22/2012	 name not released	25	Detroit	MI	yes	At a Valero gas station at West Seven Mile and Pierson a non-uniformed off-duty officer tried to stop an altercation between a man and a woman. The man pulled a gun. It is not clear who shot first, but the man was killed and the officer was wounded.	no	TBD	NA
11/23/2012	 Jordan Russell Davis	17	Jacksonville	FL	no	Michael David Dunn, a 45 year old white software executive told Davis his music was too loud, they argued and Dunn shot Davis 8 to 9 times, claiming he felt threatened.	no	yes	Dunn pleaded not guilty to a murder charge and used a "stand-your-ground" defense. (Jacksonville has been labeled the "murder capital of Florida".) This case received national attention because of its resemblance to the Trayvon Martin case.
11/25/2012	 Vidal Cornelius Calloway	38	Atlanta Metro (Lithonia DeKalb County)	GA	no	During the post-Thanksgiving buying ritual, Calloway was allegedly attempting to shoplift 2 DVD players at Wal-Mart. Three security guards chased him as he fled from the store. The three subdued Calloway. One of the guards, Javier Pruitt, put him in a choke hold and told him to tap when he couldn't breathe. By the time DeKalb County police arrived, blood was coming from Calloway's nose and he had stopped breathing.	no	yes	Calloway is one of several people who have died at the hands of Wal-Mart security guards this year. Wal-Mart claims they train their employees not to risk their own safety or the safety of the public. But Calloway died for less than \$500 worth of Christmas presents. The security guards were suspended from employment pending investigation.

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11/25/2012	 William C. "Billy" Gibbs III	26	Kinston	NC	alleged	Lenoir County deputy sheriffs were off-duty working as security guards at a waffle house. When they went to check the parking lot, they reported they observed Gibbs firing a gun. They ordered him to drop the gun, when he did not, Deputy Joseph Heck shot him 4 times.	implied	yes	Friends of Gibbs have pointed out that there are no witnesses and no statements from restaurant employees or the person Gibbs was supposedly shooting at. Also, it is not clear if and how the deputies identified themselves.
11/25/2012	 Ricky McFadden	47	New York City Metro (Leonia, NJ)	NY	knife	McFadden, with a diagnosis from the Bergen Regional Medical Center for Psychiatric Care, attempted to rob a local CVS pharmacy where he often frequented and was known. He carried a cheap steak knife. Officers found him two blocks away, ordered him to drop the knife, he did not. They maced him and he allegedly charged the officer. Officers fired 16 shots, 10 of which hit him.	no	yes	on 12/14 Bergen County Prosecutor held a press conference to announce that after a 3-week investigation he was certain that each of the three officers who fired at McFadden were justified in fearing for their lives so he would not present the case to the Grand Jury.
11/29/2012	 Timothy Russell	43	Cleveland	OH	no	A car backfired as it drove past the police station, which police assumed was gunfire. They began to chase Russell. After 30 police cars joined a high speed chase for 25 miles, and Russell's car was cornered, 13 officers fired 140 rounds into the car in 17.8 seconds, killing Russell and his passenger, Melissa Williams.	yes	yes	The execution by what seemed to be a firing squad of Russell and Williams evoked a huge community and national protest. On 2/6/13, the Ohio Attorney General gave details on how "the system failed everyone" and that subjective judgment spiraled out of control. On 3/14 the US Department of Justice announced it will open a civil rights investigation into the Cleveland PD's use of excessive force over the years.





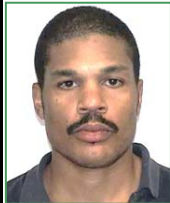
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11/29/2012	 Melissa Williams	30	Cleveland	OH	no	After a high speed chase, 13 officers fired 137 shots into car killing Russell and his passenger, Melissa Williams. She was a resident of a board and care home for disabled people. She had a mental disability.	yes	yes	Cleveland Black community members told the media that the execution of Williams and Russell was an assault on all of them. "The frenzy of the cops was like a mass lynching."
11/30/2012	 Montrez Javon Virgil	25	Fayetteville	NC	yes	Police responded to report of a robbery at a Shell Station. Virgil was observed entering the business with a rifle. Police surrounded the business. Virgil allegedly fired thru the store window towards officers, then exited the store with his rifle and allegedly moved towards officers. They shot him when he allegedly refused to drop his weapon.	no	yes	
12/2/2012	 Darnesha Harris	16	Breaux Bridge	LA	no	Police arrived to the scene of a disturbance at the same time Harris was trying to get away from the fight. In her panic, her car hit a police car, a parked car and then a bystander. Police shot her. It is not clear if she was shot while her car was moving. Witnesses say she was shot with her hands in the air.	no	yes	Family, friends and community members have vigiled and rallied for "Justice for Darnesha". A Minister called for an independent investigation and noted that the police could have stopped the car rather than shooting her in the head. The results of the state's investigation are not yet known.





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12/3/2012	 Roderick Hamilton	36	Childersburg	AL	no	Hamilton's girlfriend allegedly called the police when she and Hamilton argued at a gas station. Hamilton's family reported that the police maced him and when he tried to use his shirt to wipe his eyes, they shot him. As of 3/13/12, police said they would not comment on the case until the Alabama Bureau of Investigation completes its investigation.	no	yes	Family and community members have marched and vigiled demanding justice.
12/4/2012	 Antonio Hernandez	20	Atlanta Metro (Buford)	GA	yes	Police detained a group who were smoking marijuana in a parking lot. Hernandez, an Afro-Latino, stepped apart from the group and held a handgun to his head. When he refused to drop the gun, officers tasered him, but he was able to remove the probe. At this point officers' account differs from witnesses' accounts. Officers allege that he pointed the gun at officers and three of them fired. Witnesses insisted that he never pointed the gun at officers and they fired as he was trying to put the gun down. They also reported that Hernandez was depressed over the killing of his best friend.	yes	yes	NA
12/6/2012	 Jalen Lathon Ricks	19	Atlanta Metro (Jonesboro)	GA	yes	After Ricks dropped his younger brother off at high school, officers observed him speeding recklessly in front of the school and gave chase. and they lost him. Then they received a 911 call that reported seeing a man retrieve a shotgun from his car trunk and hide in the woods. When police arrived, Ricks allegedly opened fire and police returned fire, killing him. One deputy was wounded.	no	no	NA





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12/6/2012	 Robert Williams	37	Dallas	TX	yes	Before he went out, Williams told his mother that someone was out to get him. Neighbors reported seeing him pacing up and down the street with a shotgun, "Talking crazy". Police allegedly told him to drop the weapon, but instead, he raised it toward them. Both officers fired. A witness said "Williams did not appear to be threatening and he had the gun pointed down towards the street."	yes	yes	NA
12/6/2012	 Shelly Frey	27	Houston	TX	no	Frey and 2 other women were allegedly shoplifting from a Wal-Mart. Louis Campbell, a Harris County Sheriff's Deputy moonlighting as a security guard, chased them out of the store to their car in the parking lot. When Frey's friend (Frey was the passenger) attempted to drive away, Campbell alleged he thought she would kill him by running him over so he shot Frey, one of the passengers, in the neck. Two children were also in the car.	no	yes	Another Wal-Mart patron dies for crossing a security guard. Frey, a New Orleans native, moved to Houston after Katrina. She had two kids, one a two-year old with sickle cell. Her family protested the killing, "why didn't the cop just fire at the tires." Many blogs were written protesting Frey's killing. One called it "death by boosting". A Sheriff's spokesperson declared the killing was justified.
12/8/2012	 Bartholomew Williams	38	San Bernardino	CA	no	Williams, was study towards his second Masters' degree at Cal State Univ San Bernardino, and registered in the disabled students' program there because he had bipolar disorder. A dorm staffer called police because he was acting irrationally. When they attempted to handcuff him, he resisted, and while he allegedly "attacked" one officer, two others shot him.	yes	yes	Williams' family insisted he could have been subdued without deadly force. The LA Civil Rights Association called for an investigation and new policies for dealing with people with mental disabilities.



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12/12/2012	 Noahcell Bagley	30	Chester	PA	no	During a "routine traffic stop", Bagley ran. He had allegedly told his passengers that there was a warrant out for him. There was a scuffle and the officer shot him at least two times.	no	yes	On 3/5/12 the District Attorney announced that he had ruled that the use of deadly force was justified by the fear for his life the officer felt. Bagley's mother has hired an attorney. They believe deadly force was not necessary and are conducting their own investigation before they file a wrongful death suit.
12/12/2012	 Edward Clark	28	Los Angeles	CA	no	Officers responded to a report of domestic disturbance. Clark barricaded himself in the back room with his two young children when the police arrived. After two hours of negotiation, the SWAT Team shot him.	yes	yes	NA
12/13/2012	 Philip O. Coleman	38	Chicago	IL	no	Coleman had been behaving differently than family and neighbors had ever seen him. He allegedly attacked his mother (said to be out-of-character since he was a hospice executive and health educator). Police responded to a domestic disturbance call, "he was combative" after they arrested him. They tasered him twice and took him to the hospital where he died.	yes	yes	His sister said he had had a nervous breakdown and was behaving erratically but he didn't deserve to die. "They treated him like an insect." An investigation has begun.
12/14/2012	 Lenny Ellis	30	Dallas	TX	alleged	Investigators with the "Crime Response Team" stopped a "suspicious vehicle" in the parking lot of an apartment complex "known for drug activity". The police Report only said "a struggle ensued" and "fearing for his life" an officer shot Ellis.	no	yes	One of Ellis' neighbors reported that she called him the morning he was killed and asked for a ride to pick up her prescriptions at the drug store. He told her he was on his way. Minutes later she heard the gunshots that killed him.




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12/15/2012	 Jamaal Moore	23	Chicago	IL	no	Police chased an SUV suspected of involvement in a vehicle burglary. After the SUV crashed 4 people ran from the scene, but Moore was hit by a police car and allegedly scuffled with police. Reports conflict over whether he was handcuffed when he was shot.	no	yes	Bystanders at the scene protested, and police arrested 8 for "mob action".
12/15/2012	 Anthony A. Hammond, Jr	41	Elkton	MD	no	While on patrol, a trooper spotted a vehicle known to be driven by Hammond, who was wanted on outstanding warrants. The trooper followed Hammond into a home and alleged that he shot Hammond when Hammond attempted to grab his gun. Witnesses in the home say that the police began shooting for no reason and continued to shoot, even after Hammond was down and said he was dying.	no	yes	NA
12/17/2012	 Derek Mack	18	Atlantic City	NJ	alleged	Following up on reports of two armed men, police chased Mack. Police allege that he felt his life was in danger because Mack was trying to pull a gun from his waistband. Several different witnesses reported that Mack was shot after he raised his hands trying to surrender. Autopsy showed he was shot twice in the back.	no	yes	Mack's death enraged community members-- who have staged vigils and rallies and attended a City Council meeting. They have been told to be patient and wait for the results of the investigation.
12/17/2012	 Melvin Duane Fletcher Jr.	20	Minneapolis/St. Paul	MN	yes	Police arrived at a grocery store that was being robbed at gunpoint by Fletcher. He fled thru the rear door and officers Theodore MacKintosh and Jeffrey Thissen shot him.	no	yes	Reports of the actual shooting are sketchy. A number of articles appeared in the media about Fletcher's history. Apparently he had a lot of supporters who sympathized with him for having been homeless at 16 and showing promise.




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12/21/2012	  Sammie "Junebug" Davis Jr.	49	Macon	GA	no	Davis, known as Mr Big K, to the Kroger's grocery employees because he spent his days munching chips and drinking Big K Cola, was shot by Officer Clayton Sutton. Initially the Macon PD issued statements that Davis attacked Sutton with a knife while he was serving a warrant. But they retracted those reports and on 3/12/13 the DA explained that Davis had cut Sutton in the neck with his fingernail, not a knife. Officer Clayton Sutton shot Davis three times in the chest.	yes	yes	During the six years that the Officer Clayton Sutton has been on the police force, 26 complaints were filed against him--including for use of excessive force. Family and community members have been demanding he be fired and charged with murder. They have also accused the Chief of Police and Mayor of mismanagement and asked for their resignations. Six weeks after Davis' killing, community members disrupted the Mayor's "State of the City" address, demanding "Justice for Junebug", denouncing the slow pace of the investigation, management failures and cover up. On 3/12/13 the DA announced that while the killing "was tragic, it was justified." On 3/18/13 a former Mayor joined the NAACP, the family and other community leaders in calling for a Dept of Justice investigation and on 3/19/13 the Macon City Council approved some minor reforms to prevent future killings like this.
12/22/2012	  Kerwin Harris	39	St Louis	MO	no	Police observed a man in a vehicle who "fit the description of a robbery suspect." When they approached, Harris fled. Officers tasered him after an alleged scuffle. He became unresponsive and died.	implied	yes	NA

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12/23/2012	 Rodney Moore	35	Tahoka	TX	knife	An aunt called police for help with Moore because he was hearing voices and afraid someone would hurt him. Police allege that Officer Lester Holsey shot Moore because "he rushed the officer with a knife." Moore's wife insisted that the knife was pointing down and he merely turned towards officers when they shot him.	yes	yes	NA
12/24/2012	 Harlem Harold Lewis II	21	Houston (Bellaire suburb)	TX	yes	Lewis fled when officers tried to stop him for a traffic violation. He crashed and refused officer's command to get out of the car. When Officer Jimmie Norman tried to pull Lewis out of the car, Lewis fatally shot him and a bystander and fled on foot. He was shot by other officers as he fled and died six days later from his wounds.	no	no	Before Lewis died he was charged with capital murder of a police officer.
12/25/2012	 Kevin Culp	29	Richland	WA	no	Culp was temporarily in Benton County Jail as a "contract inmate" where local police were paid to hold out-of-state detainees. He was convicted of vehicular manslaughter because he had a seizure while driving. As a result three people died. On 12/17, police tasered him because he was uncooperative. He was also kept in a "restraining chair" and became unresponsive. He died in the hospital 8 days later. He was known to be prone to seizures.	yes	yes	Culp appears to have been arrested and killed for the "crime" of having seizures.

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12/27/2012	 Charles Livingston III	32	Memphis	TN	alleged	Police arrived at McDonald's in response to a report of a robbery. Livingston and another suspect fled into the nearby woods. Livingston allegedly "turned on officers" and they fired. They did not say if he still had a gun, if he pointed or fired.	no	yes	NA
12/28/2012	 Eddie Jones III	39	Philadelphia Metro (Gloucester, NJ)	PA	yes	Jones worked for the New Jersey Dept of Corrections. As he was being booked inside the police station on suspicion of stalking his ex-girlfriend, he grabbed an officer's gun and started shooting. He wounded 3 officers before they shot him dead.	implied	no	Media reported that "neighbors say he must have snapped."
12/28/2012	 Lamont Khiry Haslip	18	Moreno Valley	CA	alleged	Haslip was handcuffed on the ground after he fled from police who detained him for being in a vehicle that was involved in a "gang-related" disturbance where men were allegedly brandishing guns. Police report one of the officers allegedly saw him rolling on the ground with his hands cuffed and announced that Haslip had a gun, "at which time an officer-involved shooting occurred." No witnesses heard any order or warning before he was shot--reportedly in the head.	no	yes	At a vigil, family and friends did not deny Haslip was a gang member, but reiterated, "He was handcuffed, no need to shoot him to control him." He was disarmed at the time.



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12/30/2012	 Tederalle Satchell	28	Hearne	TX	no	Police responded to a report that 3 people in a white car outside an apartment complex (where Satchell lived) had a gun. As of 2/19/13, Hearne police would only say "an officer-involved shooting ensued." Satchell was a mental health patient who suffered mental retardation and seizures. Witnesses say he was shot in the head and that police would not allow anyone to cover his body for 6 hours after he died.	yes	yes	Family and community members held a candlelight vigil for justice for Satchell. Community members told the press that it seemed like the police were hiding something. A Civil Rights spokesperson from Austin called for an independent investigation. Officer Stephen Stem, the shooter, is still on paid administrative leave as no results of the investigation have been announced.



## **Gratitude:**

To the mothers whose children have been killed and turn their pain into a struggle for justice and liberation;

To all the other people whose loved ones have been killed and turn their pain into a struggle for justice and liberation;

To those who may not have yet experienced a direct loss, but still feel pain, rage and commitment to the struggle for justice and liberation;

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Thank you all for inspiring and strengthening this struggle to survive and defeat the War on Black people that we have called “Operation Ghetto Storm”.

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