

## **Nevada**

*20 females were murdered by males in Nevada in 2011*

*The homicide rate among females murdered by males in Nevada was  
1.48 per 100,000 in 2011*

*Ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in the United States*

### **Age**

For homicides in which the age of the victim was reported (20 homicides), 3 victims (15 percent) were less than 18 years old and 1 victim (5 percent) was 65 years of age or older. The average age was 33 years old.

### **Race**

Out of 20 female homicide victims, 1 was black, 2 were Asian or Pacific Islander, and 17 were white.

### **Most Common Weapons**

For homicides in which the weapon used could be identified, 41 percent of female victims (7 out of 17) were shot and killed with guns. Of these, 86 percent (6 victims) were killed with handguns. There were 5 females killed with knives or other cutting instruments, and 4 females killed by bodily force.

### **Victim/Offender Relationship**

For homicides in which the victim to offender relationship could be identified, 90 percent of female victims (18 out of 20) were murdered by someone they knew. Two female victims were killed by strangers. Of the victims who knew their offenders, 89 percent (16 victims) were wives, common-law wives, ex-wives, or girlfriends of the offenders. Among the female intimates who were murdered, 38 percent (6 victims) were killed with guns; 83 percent of these (5 victims) were shot and killed with handguns.

### **Circumstance**

For homicides in which the circumstances could be identified, 88 percent (15 out of 17) were not related to the commission of any other felony. Of these, 80 percent (12 homicides) involved arguments between the victim and the offender.