In 2007, 62.1% of the murders involving female victims occurred indoors. This percentage was down from the percentage in 1998.

In 2007, 20.3% of the murders involving male victims occurred indoors. This percentage was up from the percentage in 1998 (Figure 12).

**SECTION 8: LOCATION**

Overall, there were also differences in terms of location for male and female murder victims. There were also more fluctuations noted for females in the changes from 1998 to 2007 for both indoor and outdoor percentages (Figure 12).

In 2007, 94.7% of the murders involved males with a prior record, up from the 89.8% in 1998.

In 2007, 5.3% of the murders involved female victims with a prior record, down from the 10.2% in 1998.

**SECTION 7: PRIOR RECORD**

Overall, there were differences between male and female murder victims in terms of prior arrest record (Figure 11).

In 2007, 5.3% of the murders involved female victims with a prior record, down from the 10.2% in 1998.

In 2007, 94.7% of the murders involved males with a prior record, down from the 93.7% in 1998.

**SECTION 9: DAY**

Overall, the percentage of murders of male victims that were murdered on weekdays were relatively the same over the time period examined. However, there were more year-to-year variations of the percentage of murders of female victims that were murdered on the weekdays over the same time period.

In 2007, 58.1% of the injuries involving male murder victims occurred on weekdays, down slightly from the 63.2% of the injuries involving male murder victims in 1998.

In 2007, 72.4% of the injuries involving female murder victims occurred on weekdays, down from the 76.3% of the injuries involving female murder victims in 1998.

**SECTION 2: DISTRICT**

Over the ten year time period, 9.7% of the murders committed occurred in District 011, while 8.2% of the murders occurred in District 007. These two districts had the highest number of murders during the ten year time period (Figure 3).

In 2007, 86.9% of the murders involved male victims, while 13.1% of the murders involved female victims. When comparing the percentages of murders accounted for by male and female victims since 1998, the data indicates that the percentage of murders involving females has decreased slightly, while the percentage of murders involving males has increased slightly (Figure 2).
Overall, 8.4% of all female murder victims occurred in the 007th district during the ten year time period and 10.2% of all male murder victims occurred in the 011th district.

**SECTION 3: MOTIVES**

Overall, the underlying motives for which male and females were victims of murder differed.

In 2007, 48.4% of the murders of male victims, in which the motive was determined, were gang-related. The second most frequent motive was other altercations (15.1%) and domestic-related incidents (15.1%; see Figure 5).

**SECTION 4: WEAPONS**

Overall, firearms were the most frequent types of weapons used to murder male and female victims, although the rates varied dramatically for males and females.

In 2007, 79.2% of the murders involving male victims involved a firearm compared to only 37.9% of the murders involving female victims. The percentage of murders of both male and female victims in which a firearm was used were down from the percentages in 1998 (Figure 6).

As also illustrated in Figure 6, stabbing/cutting instruments, ligatures, and weapons used to bludgeon or club someone were frequent weapons used against female victims.

**SECTION 5: AGE**

In 2007, 39.6% of the murders of female victims, in which the motive was determined, were domestic-related. The second most frequent motives were other altercations (15.1%) and gang-related incidents (15.1%; see Figure 5).

In 2007, 75.8% of the murders involved black male victims, while 67.2% of the murders involved black female victims (Figure 9 and 10).

When comparing the percentages of murders accounted for by black male and female victims since 1998, the data indicates that the percentage of murders involving black males has increased slightly (Figure 9), while the percentage of murders involving black females has decreased (Figure 10).