

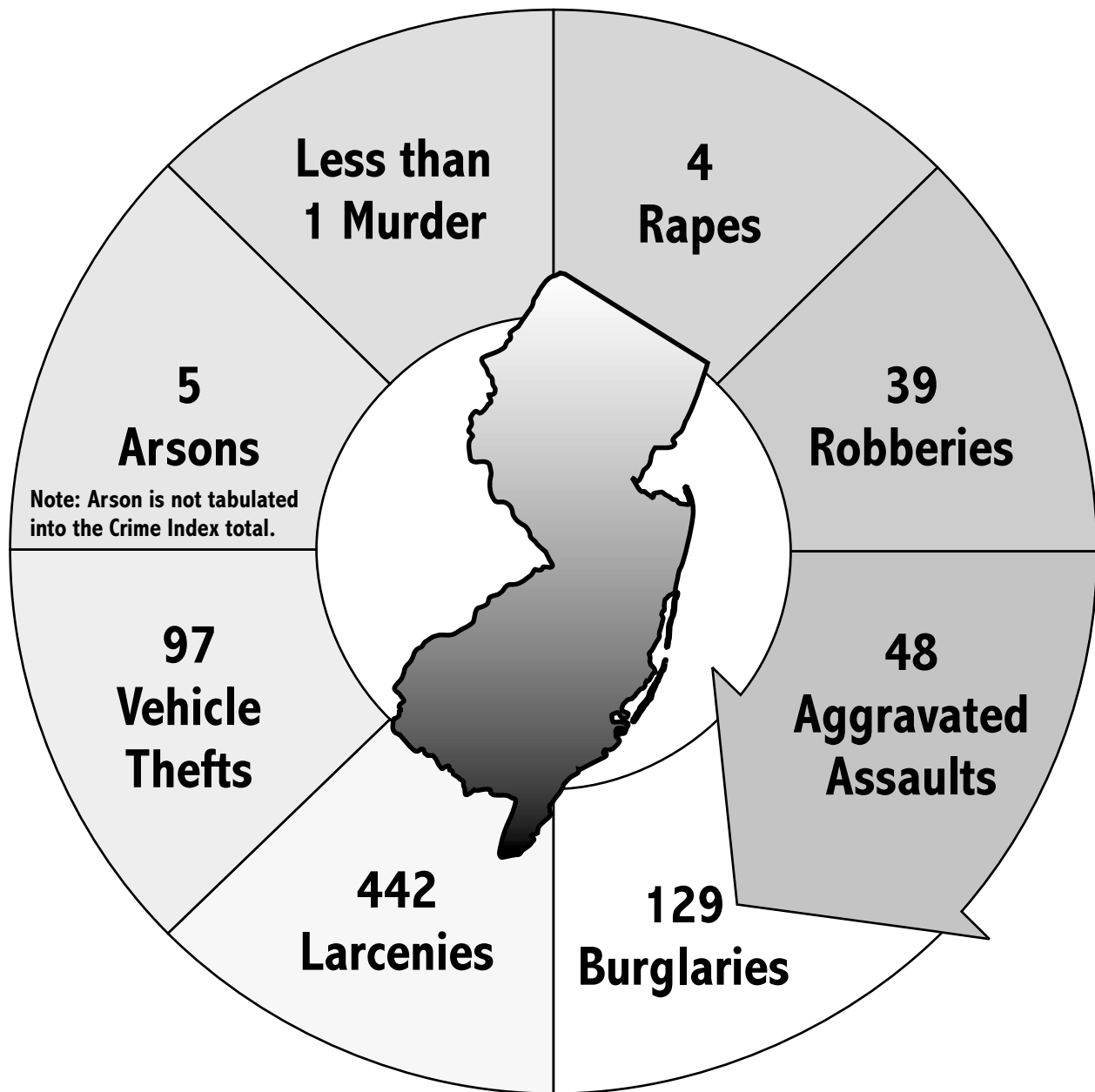


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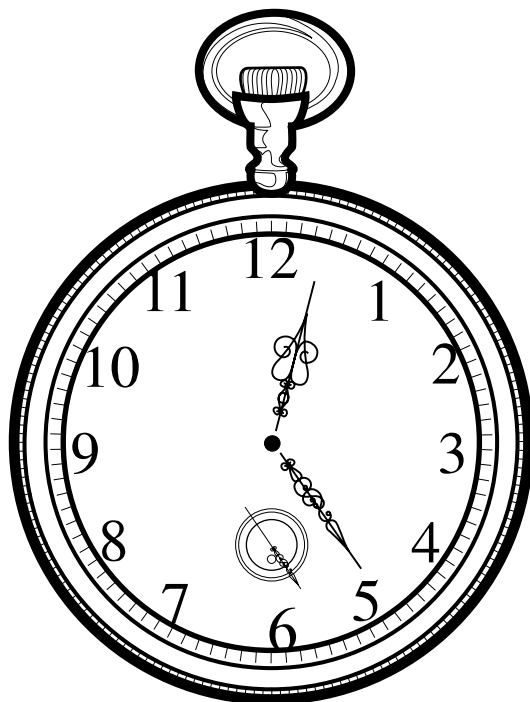
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## **STATE SUMMARY & OFFENSE ANALYSIS**

# 24 Hour Crime Cycle in New Jersey — 1999



# NEW JERSEY CRIME CLOCK — 1999



## CRIME INDEX OFFENSE 1 every minute and 53 seconds

**VIOLENT CRIME**  
1 every 15 minutes  
and 40 seconds

**NON-VIOLENT CRIME**  
1 every 2 minutes  
and 10 seconds

**MURDER**  
1 every 30 hours  
and 31 minutes

**RAPE**  
1 every 6 hours  
and 12 minutes

**BURGLARY**  
1 every 11 minutes  
and 10 seconds

**LARCENY-THEFT**  
1 every 3 minutes  
and 14 seconds

**ROBBERY**  
1 every 36 minutes  
and 53 seconds

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT**  
1 every 29 minutes  
and 49 seconds

**MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT**  
1 every 14 minutes  
and 49 seconds

# CRIME INDEX FOR THE STATE - 1999

OFFENSES	NUMBER OF INDEX OFFENSES	RATE PER 1,000 INHABITANTS	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION	NUMBER OF OFFENSES CLEARED	PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED
<b>MURDER</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>k</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>76.3</b>
<b>RAPE</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>54.2</b>
Rape	1,241	0.2	0.4	688	55.4
Attempted Rape	171	k	0.1	78	45.6
<b>ROBBERY</b>	<b>14,251</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>3,912</b>	<b>27.5</b>
Firearm	4,702	0.6	1.7	939	20.0
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1,273	0.2	0.5	319	25.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	1,150	0.1	0.4	370	32.2
Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.)	7,126	0.9	2.6	2,284	32.1
<b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b>	<b>17,629</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>11,145</b>	<b>63.2</b>
Firearm	2,267	0.3	0.8	1,040	45.9
Knife or Cutting Instrument	3,941	0.5	1.4	2,444	62.0
Other Dangerous Weapon	5,871	0.7	2.1	3,418	58.2
Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.)	5,550	0.7	2.0	4,243	76.5
<b>BURGLARY</b>	<b>47,135</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>6,450</b>	<b>13.7</b>
Forcible Entry	30,952	3.8	11.2	4,418	14.3
Unlawful Entry - No Force	10,919	1.3	3.9	1,575	14.4
Attempted Forcible Entry	5,264	0.6	1.9	457	8.7
<b>LARCENY - THEFT</b>	<b>161,363</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>58.2</b>	<b>32,758</b>	<b>20.3</b>
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b>	<b>35,395</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>1,667</b>	<b>4.7</b>
Automobiles	32,142	4.0	11.6	1,445	4.5
Trucks and Buses	1,806	0.2	0.7	117	6.5
Other Vehicles	1,447	0.2	0.5	105	7.3
<b>TOTAL CRIME INDEX</b>	<b>277,472</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>56,917</b>	<b>20.5</b>
<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>33,579</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>16,042</b>	<b>47.8</b>
<b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>243,893</b>	<b>30.1</b>	<b>87.9</b>	<b>40,875</b>	<b>16.8</b>

k Less than one-tenth of one percent.

Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

# CRIME TRENDS—NUMBER—RATE—CLEARANCES 1998/1999—PERCENT CHANGES

INDEX OFFENSES	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	RATE PER 1,000 INHABITANTS	NUMBER OF OFFENSES CLEARED	PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED	
MURDER	1998	321	<b>k</b>	248	77.3
	<b>1999</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>k</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>76.3</b>
	Percent Change	-11	&	-12	-1
RAPE	1998	1,623	0.2	899	55.4
	<b>1999</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>54.2</b>
	Percent Change	-13	0	-15	-2
ROBBERY	1998	15,115	1.9	4,251	28.1
	<b>1999</b>	<b>14,251</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>3,912</b>	<b>27.5</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-5	-8	-2
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	1998	18,663	2.3	11,706	62.7
	<b>1999</b>	<b>17,629</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>11,145</b>	<b>63.2</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-4	-5	1
BURGLARY	1998	54,491	6.8	7,387	13.6
	<b>1999</b>	<b>47,135</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>6,450</b>	<b>13.7</b>
	Percent Change	-13	-15	-13	1
LARCENY - THEFT	1998	171,267	21.4	35,604	20.8
	<b>1999</b>	<b>161,363</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>32,758</b>	<b>20.3</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-7	-8	-2
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1998	35,158	4.4	1,899	5.4
	<b>1999</b>	<b>35,395</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>1,667</b>	<b>4.7</b>
	Percent Change	1	0	-12	-13
TOTAL CRIME INDEX	1998	296,638	37.1	61,994	20.9
	<b>1999</b>	<b>277,472</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>56,917</b>	<b>20.5</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-8	-8	-2
VIOLENT CRIME	1998	35,722	4.5	17,104	47.9
	<b>1999</b>	<b>33,579</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>16,042</b>	<b>47.8</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-9	-6	*
NONVIOLENT CRIME	1998	260,916	32.6	44,890	17.2
	<b>1999</b>	<b>243,893</b>	<b>30.1</b>	<b>40,875</b>	<b>16.8</b>
	Percent Change	-7	-8	-9	-2

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& Percent change not calculated due to small volume.

\* Percent change less than one-half of one percent.



# TYPE AND VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED 1998/1999

TYPE OF PROPERTY	YEAR	VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN	VALUE OF PROPERTY RECOVERED	PERCENT OF VALUE RECOVERED	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF PROPERTY STOLEN
Currency, Notes, etc.	1998	\$35,436,498	\$2,058,762	5.8	7.2
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$36,676,594</b>	<b>\$1,355,028</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>7.9</b>
	Percent Change	3	-34	-36	10
Jewelry and Precious Metals	1998	\$41,213,723	\$2,195,303	5.3	8.4
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$41,857,152</b>	<b>\$2,421,025</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>9.0</b>
	Percent Change	2	10	9	7
Furs	1998	\$448,181	\$24,608	5.5	0.1
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$374,732</b>	<b>\$9,566</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>0.1</b>
	Percent Change	-16	-61	-53	0
Clothing	1998	\$10,240,861	\$2,110,581	20.6	2.1
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$9,304,016</b>	<b>\$3,215,841</b>	<b>34.6</b>	<b>2.0</b>
	Percent Change	-9	52	68	-5
Motor Vehicles	1998	\$300,289,174	\$167,261,030	55.7	60.9
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$283,315,522</b>	<b>\$159,919,018</b>	<b>56.4</b>	<b>60.9</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-4	1	0
Miscellaneous	1998	\$105,836,461	\$9,703,194	9.2	21.4
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$93,356,500</b>	<b>\$8,681,432</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>20.1</b>
	Percent Change	-12	-11	1	-6
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>	1998	\$493,464,898	\$183,353,478	37.2	100.1
	<b>1999</b>	<b>\$464,884,516</b>	<b>\$175,601,910</b>	<b>37.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
	Percent Change	-6	-4	2	-

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\* Percent change less than one-half of one percent

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY FIVE YEAR RECAPITULATION OF OFFENSES 1995 THROUGH 1999

OFFENSES	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
<b>MURDER</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>287</b>
<b>RAPE</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,972</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,412</b>
Rape	1,639	1,680	1,500	1,406	1,241
Attempted Rape	285	292	230	217	171
<b>ROBBERY</b>	<b>22,474</b>	<b>18,859</b>	<b>16,953</b>	<b>15,115</b>	<b>14,251</b>
Firearm	7,191	5,625	5,023	4,604	4,702
Knife or Cutting Instrument	2,088	1,826	1,613	1,502	1,273
Other Dangerous Weapon	1,632	1,374	1,397	1,293	1,150
Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.)	11,563	10,034	8,920	7,716	7,126
<b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b>	<b>22,771</b>	<b>21,252</b>	<b>20,635</b>	<b>18,663</b>	<b>17,629</b>
Firearm	3,772	3,264	2,804	2,360	2,267
Knife or Cutting Instrument	4,736	4,473	4,259	3,850	3,941
Other Dangerous Weapon	6,897	6,655	6,616	6,149	5,871
Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.)	7,366	6,860	6,956	6,304	5,550
<b>BURGLARY</b>	<b>69,547</b>	<b>63,163</b>	<b>60,941</b>	<b>54,491</b>	<b>47,135</b>
Forcible Entry	48,798	43,711	41,818	36,438	30,952
Unlawful Entry - No Force	13,070	12,611	12,587	11,980	10,919
Attempted Forcible Entry	7,679	6,841	6,536	6,073	5,264
<b>LARCENY - THEFT</b>	<b>206,421</b>	<b>194,074</b>	<b>185,142</b>	<b>171,267</b>	<b>161,363</b>
Over \$200	85,209	78,391	74,294	67,835	64,575
\$50 - \$200	57,258	54,585	52,414	49,608	47,022
Under \$50	63,954	61,098	58,434	53,824	49,766
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b>	<b>50,161</b>	<b>46,437</b>	<b>41,177</b>	<b>35,158</b>	<b>35,395</b>
Automobiles	45,951	41,911	37,394	31,710	32,142
Trucks and Buses	2,380	2,743	2,180	2,028	1,806
Other Vehicles	1,830	1,783	1,603	1,420	1,447
<b>TOTAL CRIME INDEX</b>	<b>373,706</b>	<b>346,094</b>	<b>326,912</b>	<b>296,638</b>	<b>277,472</b>
<b>CRIME RATE PER 1,000</b>	<b>48.3</b>	<b>43.8</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>34.2</b>
<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>47,577</b>	<b>42,420</b>	<b>39,652</b>	<b>35,722</b>	<b>33,579</b>
<b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>326,129</b>	<b>303,674</b>	<b>287,260</b>	<b>260,916</b>	<b>243,893</b>

# STATEWIDE CRIME SUMMARY - 1999

## CRIME INDEX – VOLUME/RATE

- There were 277,472 Index offenses in 1999, a 6 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- The crime rate of the state is 34.2 victims for every 1,000 permanent inhabitants, a decrease of 8 percent compared to 1998.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- August with 27,058 offenses reported, recorded the highest incidence of Crime Index offenses while February was the lowest with 20,135 offenses.
- The total value of property stolen amounted to \$464.9 million in 1999, a 6 percent decrease from 1998.
- Value of property recovered was \$175.6 million, resulting in a recovery rate of 38 percent.
- Stolen motor vehicles accounted for 61 percent of stolen property and 91 percent of the recovered property value.

## CRIME INDEX ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 57,215 persons were arrested for Index offenses, which represents a 10 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Adult Index arrests decreased 9 percent and juvenile arrests decreased 13 percent.
- Crime Index arrests accounted for 14 percent of the total arrests in 1999.
- Males accounted for 73 percent of the Crime Index arrests and females accounted for 27 percent.
- Fifty-six percent of the Index arrests were white, 43 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 16 percent of the arrests for Index offenses.
- Police cleared 21 percent of the Index offenses and juveniles accounted for 21 percent of these clearances.

## VIOLENT CRIME SUMMARY

This category consists of the following Index offenses: Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 33,579 violent crimes reported in 1999, a 6 percent decrease compared to the violent crimes reported in 1998.
- Violent crimes accounted for 12 percent of the total Crime Index.
- The violent crime rate decreased 9 percent to 4.1 victims for every 1,000 permanent inhabitants.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- The highest number of violent crimes were reported in July with 3,269 offenses while the lowest number was reported in February with 2,432 offenses.
- The value of property stolen as a result of violent crime was \$11.8 million.

## **ARRESTS/CLEARANCES**

- Arrests for violent crime offenses decreased 9 percent to 16,385.
- Violent crime arrests accounted for 29 percent of the Index arrests and 4 percent of the total arrests during the year.
- Adult arrests for violent crime decreased 8 percent and juvenile arrests showed a 13 percent decrease.
- Adults accounted for 78 percent of the violent crime arrests while the remaining 22 percent were juveniles.
- Males were responsible for 82 percent and females for 18 percent of the violent crime arrests.
- Forty-six percent of those arrested were white, 52 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 17 percent of the arrests.
- Forty-eight percent of all violent crimes were cleared and juveniles accounted for 18 percent of these clearances.

# **NONVIOLENT CRIME SUMMARY**

This category consists of the following Index offenses: Burglary, Larceny-Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft.

## **VOLUME/RATE/TREND**

- There were 243,893 nonviolent crimes reported in 1999, a 7 percent decrease compared to the 260,916 reported in 1998.
- Nonviolent crime accounted for 88 percent of the total Crime Index.
- The nonviolent crime rate decreased 8 percent to 30.1 victims per 1,000 inhabitants in 1999.

## **ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS**

- The largest number of nonviolent crimes were reported in August with 23,832, while the lowest number was reported in February with 17,703.
- The total value of property stolen as a result of nonviolent crime amounted to \$453.1 million.

## **ARRESTS/CLEARANCES**

- There were 40,830 nonviolent crime arrests, this represents a decrease of 10 percent when compared to 1998.
- Nonviolent crime arrests accounted for 71 percent of the Index arrests and 10 percent of the total arrests during 1999.
- Juveniles were responsible for 29 percent of the nonviolent crime arrests and adults 71 percent.
- Adult nonviolent crime arrests decreased 9 percent while juvenile arrests decreased 13 percent.
- Males represented 69 percent and females 31 percent of persons arrested for nonviolent crime.
- Fifty-nine percent of all persons arrested for nonviolent crimes were white, 39 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 16 percent of the arrests.
- Seventeen percent of all nonviolent crimes reported were cleared in 1999, and juveniles accounted for 22 percent of these clearances.

# TOTAL ARREST SUMMARY

- There were 407,534 persons arrested in 1999, which represents a 7 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- The arrest rate for 1999 decreased 9 percent to 50.2 persons arrested per every 1,000 inhabitants.
- Adult arrests decreased 7 percent to 335,967 and juvenile arrests decreased 7 percent to 71,567 in 1999.
- Adults accounted for 82 percent and juveniles 18 percent of the total state arrests.
- Persons under 21 years of age accounted for 32 percent of all arrests.
- Males accounted for 80 percent and females 20 percent of the total persons arrested during the year.
- Fifty-nine percent of the total persons arrested in 1999 were white, 40 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 14 percent of the arrests.

# POLICE OFFICERS KILLED AND ASSAULTED SUMMARY

- There were 2 police officers feloniously killed in the line of duty during 1999.
- New Jersey reported 3,191 police officers assaulted in the line of duty in 1999.

## CRIME IN NEW JERSEY, UNITED STATES AND THE NORTHEAST REGION

- The Crime Index in New Jersey decreased 6 percent, while the United States decreased 7 percent and the Northeast Region decreased 7 percent.
- Violent crime in New Jersey decreased 6 percent, the United States decreased 7 percent and the Northeast Region decreased 8 percent.
- Nonviolent crime in New Jersey decreased 7 percent, while the Northeast Region decreased 7 percent and the United States decreased 7 percent.

## INDIVIDUAL INDEX OFFENSES\* Percent Change 1998/1999

	New Jersey	United States*	Northeastern States**
Murder	- 11	- 8	- 4
Rape	- 13	- 7	- 11
Robbery	- 6	- 8	- 7
Aggravated Assault	- 6	- 7	- 8
Burglary	- 13	- 11	- 12
Larceny-Theft	- 6	- 6	- 5
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	- 8	- 5

\*United States and Northeastern States' statistics are preliminary.

\*\*Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania.

# MURDER

## DEFINITION

Murder is defined as the unlawful killing of a human being with malice aforethought. Any death due to a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, or commission of a crime is included. This Index offense is counted by police on the basis of their investigation without regard to findings of a court, jury or the decision of a prosecutor. Attempts to kill, are scored as aggravated assaults and not as murder. Suicides, accidental deaths, negligent manslaughters, and justifiable homicides are not counted, nor reflected in the murder classification.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 287 murders reported to law enforcement agencies of the state in 1999, an 11 percent decrease compared to the 321 murders reported in 1998.
- Murders accounted for one-tenth of one percent of the reported Index offenses, and 1 percent of the violent crime.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- The age group of 20-24 accounted for 15 percent of all murder victims.
- Firearms were used in 53 percent of the murders, knives or cutting instruments in 18 percent, blunt objects in 9 percent and physical force in 11 percent.
- Thirty-four percent of the offenders were friends or acquaintances of the victim, while 15 percent were relatives, and 14 percent were strangers.
- Felony murders accounted for 12 percent of all murder circumstances. Robbery was the motive in 80 percent of the 35 felony murders.
- Fifty-four murders were recorded on Sunday for the high, while Wednesday was the lowest, with 28.
- August recorded the highest number of murders, with 29, while November recorded the lowest with 19.
- Forty-three percent of the murders occurred on highways or streets, 24 percent in multi-family or apartment dwellings, and 17 percent in single family dwellings.
- The total value of property stolen because of murder amounted to \$34,006.
- Drug-related arguments accounted for 8 percent (22) of all murder circumstances.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 247 persons were arrested for murder in 1999, an 8 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Adult murder arrests decreased 5 percent (from 241 to 229) and juvenile arrests decreased 33 percent (from 27 to 18).
- Sixty-eight percent of persons arrested for murder were black, 32 percent were white.
- Hispanics accounted for 13 percent of the arrests.
- Seventy-six percent of the murders were cleared in 1999 (219 out of 287). Juveniles accounted for 7 percent of those cases cleared.
- Males accounted for 89 percent and females 11 percent of those arrested for murder.
- Murder was at its lowest (287) in thirty-two years, since 1967, when 274 murders were reported in the state.



# MURDER VICTIMS BY AGE, SEX AND RACE —1999

AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION	SEX		RACE			
			MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE	ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER
Under 1	7	2.4	4	3	4	3	-	-
1 - 4	10	3.5	6	4	4	6	-	-
5 - 9	1	0.3	1	-	1	-	-	-
10 - 14	2	0.7	-	2	1	1	-	-
15 - 19	34	11.8	26	8	8	26	-	-
20 - 24	44	15.3	34	10	14	29	-	1
25 - 29	43	15.0	35	8	10	32	1	-
30 - 34	36	12.5	25	11	12	23	-	1
35 - 39	30	10.5	19	11	12	18	-	-
40 - 44	27	9.4	14	13	15	11	-	1
45 - 49	18	6.3	14	4	8	10	-	-
50 - 54	5	1.7	5	-	3	2	-	-
55 - 59	7	2.4	6	1	4	3	-	-
60 - 64	4	1.4	4	-	3	1	-	-
65 - 69	3	1.0	3	-	-	3	-	-
70 - 74	5	1.7	1	4	5	-	-	-
75 and Over	9	3.1	3	6	7	2	-	-
Unknown	2	0.7	1	1	1	1	-	-
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>	-	100.0	70	30	39	60	*	1

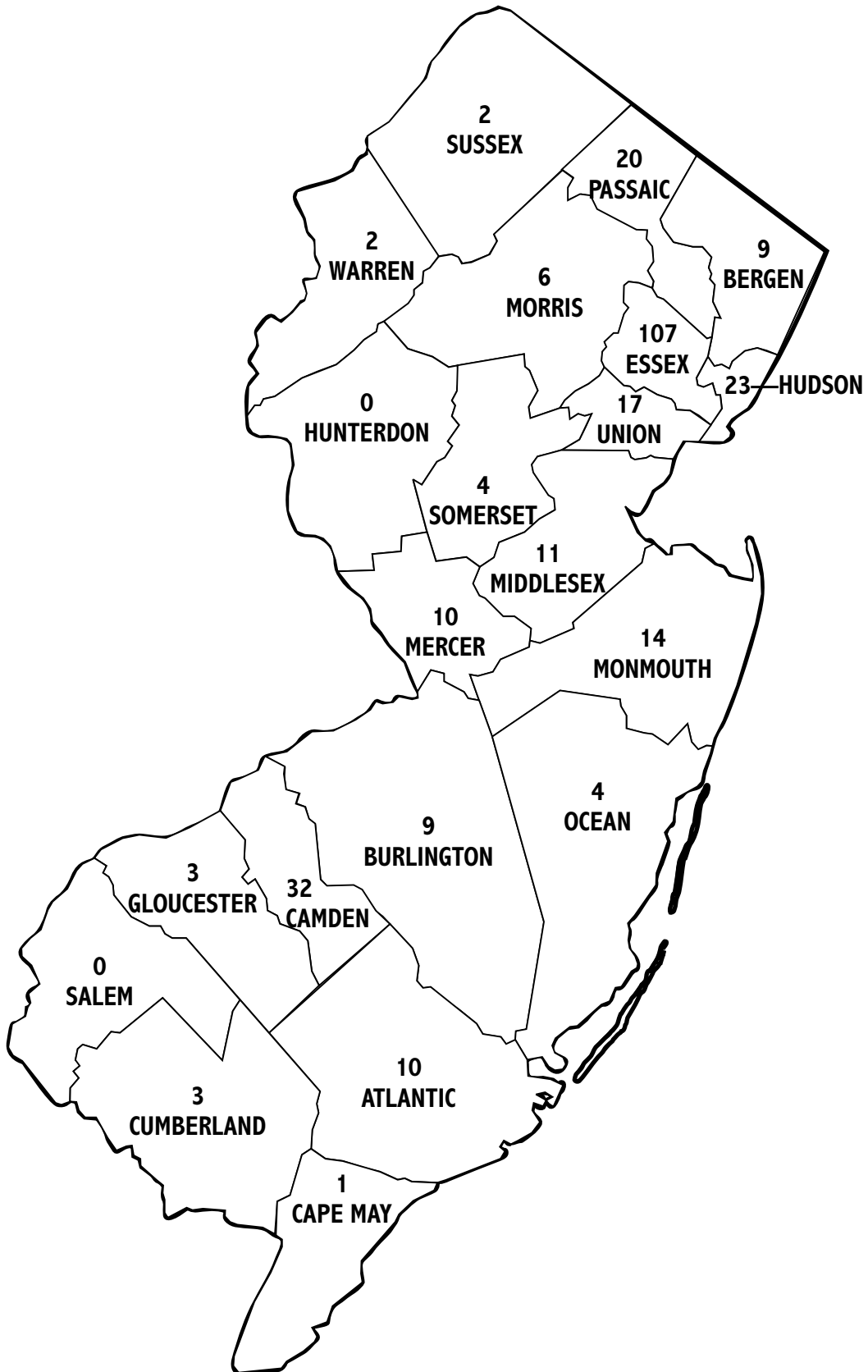
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# MURDERS BY COUNTY - 1999



# RAPE

## Definition

Rape is defined as the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. All assaults and attempts to rape are counted, but carnal abuse, rape without force (statutory rape) and other sex offenses are not included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 1,412 reported rapes in 1999, a decrease of 13 percent compared to the 1,623 in 1998.
- Rape accounted for one-half of one percent of the total Crime Index and 4 percent of all violent crimes.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Eighty-eight percent of the rapes were forcible, the remaining 12 percent were attempts to rape.
- The total value of property stolen as a result of rape amounted to \$16,043.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 663 persons were arrested during 1999, a 14 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Adult rape arrests decreased 15 percent, while juvenile arrests decreased 8 percent.
- Fifty-four percent of the arrested perpetrators were white, 45 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 17 percent of the arrests.
- Thirty-eight percent of all persons arrested for rape were between 25 and 39.
- Fifty-four percent of all rape cases were solved during 1999. Juveniles accounted for 13 percent of those cases cleared.

Rape Scenario		
Most frequent month	June	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	25-29	13
Sex	Male	99
Race	White	54

# ROBBERY

## Definition

Robbery is defined as the felonious and forcible taking of the property of another, against his will, by violence or by putting him in fear. The element of personal confrontation is always present in this crime. Under the program, all assaults or attempts to rob are included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 14,251 robbery offenses in 1999, a 6 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Robbery accounted for 5 percent of the total Crime Index and 42 percent of all violent crime.
- The robbery rate was 1.8 victims per 1,000 population.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Highway robberies accounted for 64 percent of all reported robberies.
- Bank robberies decreased 35 percent and gas, service station robberies increased 11 percent.
- Total value of property stolen during robberies amounted to \$11,783,953.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 4,271 persons were arrested for robbery in 1999, a 10 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- There was a 10 percent decrease in adult robbery arrests, and juvenile arrests decreased 11 percent in 1999.
- Males accounted for 89 percent and females 11 percent of the robbery arrests during 1999.
- Sixty-five percent of all persons arrested for robbery were black, 34 percent were white and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 15 percent of the robbery arrests.
- Twenty-seven percent of the robbery cases were cleared and juveniles accounted for 22 percent of these clearances.

## Robbery Scenario

Most frequent month	June	
Most frequent weapon	Strong Arm	
Most frequent location	Highway	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	25-29	13
Sex	Male	89
Race	Black	65



# CARJACKING

- Carjacking is a form of robbery; therefore, further analysis is provided in this section for 1999.
- There were 391 carjacking offenses reported to the police; 11 were determined to be unfounded, leaving a total of 380 carjackings, involving 437 victims, including passengers.
- Carjackings decreased 9% when comparing 1999 to 1998.
- Sixty-three of the 566 municipalities in New Jersey reported carjackings.
- Firearms were involved in 50% (189) of all carjackings. One percent (5) of the firearms used were assault firearms. Shootings were involved in 2 percent (8) of all carjackings.
- New Jersey registered vehicles represented 90% (343) of all carjackings. Ford, with 14% (53), was the most frequently carjacked vehicle make, while 1995, with 11% (41), was the most frequently targeted vehicle year.
- Fifty-nine percent (224) of all carjacked vehicles were recovered. The average value of a carjacked motor vehicle was \$8,842.
- Carjackings occurred in a residential area 45% (172) of the time. The hours of darkness (6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.) accounted for 69% (264) of all carjackings.
- Twenty-one percent (80) of all carjackings were witnessed.
- The most frequent victim age group was 20-24, which accounted for 21% (90) of the victim total (437). Seventy-one percent (312) of all victims were male. Fifty-one percent (223) of all victims were white.
- The total number of offenders was 651. Insufficient analysis information was supplied on 20% (128) of the offenders. Of all known offenders (523), 20-24 was the most frequent offender age group and accounted for 38% (197). Ninety-four percent (494) of all known offenders were male. Eighty-one percent (422) of all known offenders were black.
- Juveniles accounted for 15% (8) of the total arrests for carjacking (54), while adults accounted for 85% (46).
- September had the highest number of offenses with (41) accounting for 11% of all reported carjacking offenses.
- Sunday recorded the highest number of offenses, accounting for 17% (65) of all reported carjackings.
- Region I, which consists of Essex, Hudson, and Union counties, accounted for 73% (277) of all reported carjackings.
- No murders were reported in 1999 as the result of carjacking.
- Eleven percent (42) of all carjackings (380) were cleared by arrest.

# CARJACKING OFFENSES COUNTY AND STATE TOTALS - 1999

	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	ESTIMATED VEHICLE VALUE	ACTUAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES RECOVERED	OFFENSES CLEARED BY ARREST	NUMBER OF PERSONS ARRESTED
ATLANTIC	4	\$ 22,500	2	-	-
BERGEN	5	\$ 65,500	1	2	2
BURLINGTON	9	\$ 126,085	3	1	1
CAMDEN	34	\$ 250,700	9	2	2
CAPE MAY	-	-	-	-	-
CUMBERLAND	1	\$ 14,000	-	-	-
ESSEX	195	\$ 1,508,000	143	19	25
GLOUCESTER	1	\$ 10,000	1	-	-
HUDSON	31	\$ 355,325	13	4	5
HUNTERDON	-	-	-	-	-
MERCER	21	\$ 181,848	11	4	5
MIDDLESEX	5	\$ 54,700	2	-	-
MONMOUTH	6	\$ 86,818	5	2	3
MORRIS	-	-	-	-	-
OCEAN	1	\$ 2,000	-	-	-
PASSAIC	15	\$ 102,500	2	1	1
SALEM	-	-	-	-	-
SOMERSET	1	\$ 20,000	1	1	1
SUSSEX	-	-	-	-	-
UNION	51	\$ 560,051	31	6	9
WARREN	-	-	-	-	-
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>\$ 3,360,027</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>54</b>

# AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

## Definition

Aggravated assault, as defined under the New Jersey Uniform Crime Reporting system, is an attempt or offer, with unlawful force or violence, to do serious physical injury to another. Attempts are included since it is not necessary that an injury result when a firearm, knife, or other weapon is used which could result in serious personal injury if the crime was successfully completed.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 17,629 reported aggravated assaults in 1999, a decrease of 6 percent when compared to 1998.
- Aggravated assault accounted for 6 percent of the total Crime Index and 53 percent of all violent crimes.
- The rate for aggravated assault decreased to 2.2 victims per 1,000 population.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Physical force (i.e. hands, fists, and feet) was used in 31 percent, and other dangerous weapons (i.e. clubs, bricks, tire irons, etc.) were used in 33 percent of all reported aggravated assaults.
- Firearms were used in 13 percent of all aggravated assaults committed.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- There were 11,204 persons arrested for aggravated assault in 1999, a 9 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Adult arrests decreased 7 percent, while juvenile arrests decreased 14 percent.
- Males accounted for 78 percent, and females 22 percent of the aggravated assault arrests.
- Fifty-one percent of the persons arrested for aggravated assault were white, 48 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 18 percent of the arrests.
- Sixty-three percent of all aggravated assault cases were cleared; juveniles accounted for 17 percent of those clearances.

### Aggravated Assault Scenario

Most frequent month	July	
Most frequent type	Other Weapon	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	25-29	14
Sex	Male	78
Race	White	51



# BURGLARY

## Definition

Under this program, burglary is defined as an unlawful entry or attempted entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny. Data collection for this offense is further categorized as forcible entry, unlawful entry (where no force is used) and attempted forcible entry.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 47,135 reported burglary offenses in 1999, a decrease of 13 percent.
- Burglary accounted for 17 percent of the total Crime Index and 19 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The burglary rate per 1,000 population decreased 15 percent to 5.8 in 1999.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Sixty-six percent of all burglaries involved forcible entry, 23 percent were unlawful entry where no force was used and the remaining 11 percent were attempts to forcibly enter, during 1999.
- Residences were targets in 69 percent of the reported burglaries.
- Fifty-four percent of the nonresidential burglaries are known to have occurred between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- Stolen property as a result of burglary statewide, amounted to \$59.9 million, for an average loss of \$1,270.
- The average loss as a result of both residential burglaries and nonresidential burglaries was \$1,270 respectively.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Burglary arrests decreased 18 percent with 6,812 persons arrested.
- Adult arrests decreased 17 percent while juvenile arrests decreased 21 percent.
- Males accounted for 91 percent, and females 9 percent of the burglary arrests.
- Juveniles accounted for 30 percent of all burglary arrests.
- Sixty-three percent of burglary arrests were white, 37 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 17 percent of the arrests.
- Fourteen percent of the burglaries statewide were cleared and juveniles accounted for 21 percent of these clearances.

### Burglary Scenario

Most frequent month	June	
Most frequent method of entry	Forcible Entry	
Most frequent premise	Residential	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	25-29	12
Sex	Male	91
Race	White	63

# BURGLARY 1999

CLASSIFICATION	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	TOTAL VALUE	AVERAGE VALUE	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION
<b>RESIDENCE</b>				
Night	9,275	\$9,749,579	\$1,051	19.7
Day	15,890	\$21,363,822	\$1,344	33.7
Unknown	7,519	\$10,390,220	\$1,382	16.0
<b>RESIDENCE TOTAL</b>	<b>32,684</b>	<b>\$41,503,621</b>	<b>\$1,270</b>	<b>69.3</b>
<b>NONRESIDENCE</b>				
Night	7,818	\$9,610,018	\$1,229	16.6
Day	2,477	\$3,158,300	\$1,275	5.3
Unknown	4,156	\$5,583,588	\$1,344	8.8
<b>NONRESIDENCE TOTAL</b>	<b>14,451</b>	<b>\$18,351,906</b>	<b>\$1,270</b>	<b>30.7</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>47,135</b>	<b>\$59,855,527</b>	<b>\$1,270</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

# LARCENY-THEFT

## Definition

The definition of larceny-theft, as provided under this program, is the taking of the property of another with intent to deprive him of ownership. All larcenies and thefts resulting from pocketpicking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, larcenies from motor vehicles, thefts of motor vehicle parts and accessories, bicycle thefts, etc., are included here. Embezzlement, unlawful conversions, larceny by bailee, frauds or bad checks are not included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 161,363 larcenies reported in 1999, a decrease of 6 percent compared to the 171,267 in 1998.
- Larceny accounted for 58 percent of the total Crime Index and 66 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The rate for larceny per 1,000 population decreased to 19.9 in 1999.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Thefts of motor vehicle parts and accessories and thefts from motor vehicles, collectively accounted for 29 percent of all larceny-thefts reported.
- Thefts of auto parts and accessories decreased 15 percent in 1999 compared to 1998.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Larceny-theft arrests decreased 8 percent in 1999, with 32,593 persons arrested.
- Juvenile arrests decreased 10 percent and adult arrests decreased 8 percent in 1999.
- Males accounted for 64 percent, and females 36 percent of the larceny arrests.
- Fifty-nine percent of all persons arrested for larceny were white, 39 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 15 percent of the arrests.
- Twenty percent of the larcenies were cleared, with juveniles accounting for 22 percent of these clearances.

### Larceny Scenario

Most frequent month	August	
Most frequent type	From Buildings	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	30-34	12
Sex	Male	64
Race	White	59

# LARCENY-THEFT (Except Motor Vehicle Theft) — 1999

## CLASSIFICATION BY VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN

CLASSIFICATION BY VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	TOTAL VALUE	AVERAGE VALUE	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION
Over \$200	64,575	\$ 105,145,235	\$ 1,628	40.0
\$50 to \$200	47,022	\$ 5,278,372	\$ 112	29.1
Under \$50	49,766	\$ 836,006	\$ 17	30.8
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>161,363</b>	<b>\$ 111,259,613</b>	<b>\$ 689</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS OF LARCENY-THEFT

CLASSIFICATION	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	TOTAL VALUE	AVERAGE VALUE	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION
Pocket-Picking	3,521	\$ 1,241,257	\$ 353	2.2
Purse-Snatching	1,853	\$ 605,027	\$ 327	1.1
Shoplifting	23,545	\$ 5,385,449	\$ 229	14.6
From Motor Vehicles	36,768	\$ 19,558,451	\$ 532	22.8
Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories	9,946	\$ 3,707,285	\$ 373	6.2
Bicycles	12,976	\$ 2,908,861	\$ 224	8.0
From Buildings	33,784	\$ 41,138,507	\$ 1,218	20.9
From any Coin Operated Machines	1,073	\$ 623,623	\$ 581	0.7
All Other	37,897	\$ 36,091,153	\$ 952	23.5
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>161,363</b>	<b>\$ 111,259,613</b>	<b>\$ 689</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Percent distribution may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

## Definition

In Uniform Crime Reporting, motor vehicle theft includes all thefts and attempted thefts of a motor vehicle. This includes the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle which is defined as a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface and not on the rails. This definition excludes taking a motor vehicle for temporary use, such as family situation, or unauthorized use by others having lawful access to the vehicle. The motor vehicle theft category includes the subheadings of autos, trucks and buses, and other vehicles (motorcycles, mopeds, etc.)

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 35,395 motor vehicle thefts reported in 1999, an increase of 1 percent compared to the 35,158 in 1998.
- Motor vehicle theft accounted for 13 percent of the total Crime Index and 15 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The motor vehicle theft rate of 4.4 victims per 1,000 population represents no change when compared to 1998.

## DISTRIBUTION BY TYPE

Type	Number	Percent Distribution
Auto	32,142	91
Trucks and Buses	1,806	5
Other Vehicles	1,447	4

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Motor vehicles represented 61 percent of the total value of property stolen during 1999.
- Total value of stolen motor vehicles amounted to \$283.3 million during the year.
- The average value of a stolen motor vehicle was \$8,004.
- Recovered vehicle values totaling \$159.9 million represent 91 percent of the total value of recovered property.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 1,425 persons were arrested for motor vehicle theft, this represents an 11 percent decrease compared to 1998.
- Juvenile arrests decreased 20 percent and adult arrests decreased 5 percent.
- Males accounted for 89 percent, and females 11 percent of the motor vehicle theft arrests.
- Fifty-six percent of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft were white, 43 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 15 percent of the arrests.
- Five percent of motor vehicle thefts were cleared in 1999, juveniles accounted for 24 percent of these clearances.

### Motor Vehicle Theft Scenario

Most frequent month	October	
Most frequent type	Auto	
Most frequent offender:		Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	25-29	11
Sex	Male	89
Race	White	56

# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT VALUES

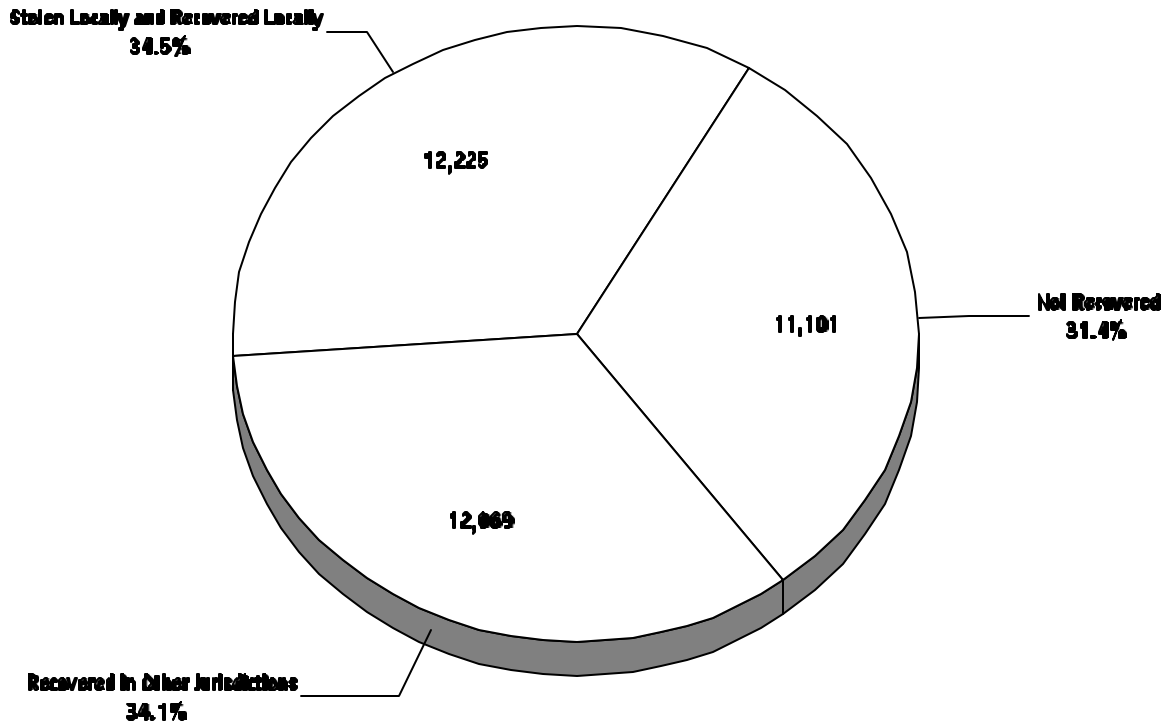
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## 56% OF STOLEN VALUE RECOVERED

### MOTOR VEHICLES RECOVERED — 24,294

#### Recovery of Motor Vehicles

**Total Recovered 24,294 68.6% of Stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered**



# ARSON

## Definition

Arson is defined by the New Jersey Uniform Crime Reporting program as any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling, house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Only fires determined through investigation to have been willfully or maliciously set are classified as arsons. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 1,890 reportable arsons in 1999, which represents a decrease of 17 percent compared to 2,275 in 1998.
- The arson rate dropped to 0.2 victims per 1,000 population, a decrease of 33 percent compared to 1998.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Forty-six percent of the arsons were structures, with residences accounting for 28 percent.
- Mobile property, including motor vehicles, accounted for 37 percent of the arsons in the state.
- Other property (timber, crops, etc.) accounted for 18 percent of the reported arsons.
- The total value of property damage due to arson amounted to \$20.1 million for an average dollar value loss of \$10,655.
- The average residential loss was \$17,217 while the average loss to industrial/commercial structures was \$18,172.
- The average loss to mobile property was \$7,187.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Arson arrests numbered 579 in 1999, representing a 9 percent decrease.
- Adult arrests decreased 24 percent while juvenile arrests increased 2 percent.
- Males accounted for 87 percent, and females 13 percent of the arson arrests.
- Juveniles accounted for 63 percent of the arson arrests.
- Seventy-two percent of the persons arrested for arson were white, 26 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 11 percent of the arrests.
- The arson clearance rate was 25 percent, and juveniles accounted for 55 percent of these clearances.

Arson Scenario	
Most frequent month	April
Most frequent type	Motor Vehicle
Most frequent offender:	Percent of total arrests:
Age Group:	13-14 21
Sex	Male 87
Race	White 72

# ARSON - 1999

	OFFENSES	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION	VALUE DAMAGE	NUMBER CLEARED	PERCENT CLEARED	NUMBER JUVENILES CLEARED	PERCENT JUVENILES CLEARED
Single Occupancy (Residential)	334	18	\$ 6,522,377	95	28	47	49
Other Residential	196	10	\$ 2,602,837	61	31	21	34
Storage	63	3	\$ 684,509	16	25	12	75
Industrial Manufacturing	15	1	\$ 50,500	2	13	-	0
Other Commercial	86	5	\$ 1,784,900	21	24	7	33
Community, Public	130	7	\$ 3,209,797	45	35	31	69
All Other Structures	38	2	\$ 128,168	12	32	7	58
<b>Total Structure</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>\$ 14,983,088</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>50</b>
Motor Vehicles	665	35	\$ 3,781,427	73	11	16	22
Other Mobile Property	28	1	\$ 1,199,402	3	11	2	67
<b>Total Mobile</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>\$ 4,980,829</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>\$ 174,255</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>1,890</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$ 20,138,172</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>55</b>

Percent distribution may not add to 100 due to rounding.