

SECTION V

INDEX OFFENSE ANALYSIS

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UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE OFFENSE DATA – 1996

(All Offenses are Recorded in the Municipality of Occurrence)

University or College	Total Crime Index	Violent Crime	Non-Violent Crime	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Larceny-Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson <input type="checkbox"/>
BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	98	1	97	-	-	-	1	-	97	-	-
ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE	34	4	30	-	-	3	1	0	26	4	-
Newark City	34	4	30	-	-	3	1	-	26	4	-
West Caldwell Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
KEAN COLLEGE of NEW JERSEY	251	9	242	0	3	1	5	23	201	18	0
Elizabeth City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillside Township	23	0	23	-	-	-	-	6	14	3	-
Union Township	228	9	219	-	3	1	5	17	187	15	-
MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE	81	0	81	-	-	-	-	-	79	2	-
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY	88	3	85	0	1	0	2	1	82	2	0
Long Branch City	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ocean Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Long Branch Borough	87	3	84	-	1	-	2	1	82	1	-
MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY	242	16	226	0	0	2	14	14	186	26	1
Clifton City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Little Falls Township	189	16	173	-	-	2	14	12	135	26	1
Montclair Town	53	0	53	-	-	-	-	2	51	-	-
NJ INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	134	5	129	-	-	1	4	28	96	5	-
ROWAN COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY	185	6	179	1	2	2	1	8	165	6	-
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	1,215	27	1,188	0	7	8	12	71	1,086	31	3
Camden Campus	95	5	90	-	-	1	4	5	80	5	-
New Brunswick Campus	712	21	691	0	7	7	7	49	621	21	1
East Brunswick Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edison Township	11	0	11	-	-	-	-	4	7	-	-
Highland Park Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick City	412	17	395	-	6	5	6	33	351	11	1
North Brunswick Township	21	1	20	-	1	-	-	1	19	-	-
Piscataway Township	268	3	265	-	-	2	1	11	244	10	-
Newark Campus	408	1	407	-	-	-	1	17	385	5	2
RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY	113	3	110	-	2	-	1	30	76	4	-
THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY	115	3	112	-	2	1	-	15	90	7	-
UNIV. OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY	614	26	588	0	3	6	17	30	550	8	0
Camden Campus	11	0	11	-	-	-	-	2	9	-	-
Newark Campus	554	26	528	-	3	6	17	27	494	7	-
Piscataway Campus	49	0	49	-	-	-	-	1	47	1	-
WILLIAM PATERSON COLLEGE	101	2	99	0	0	0	2	12	86	1	0
Haledon Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Haledon Borough	16	0	16	-	-	-	-	-	15	1	-
Wayne Township	85	2	83	-	-	-	2	12	71	-	-
TOTAL UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE	3,271	105	3,166	1	20	24	60	232	2,820	114	4

☐ Arson is not a crime index offense.

CRIME INDEX FOR POPULATION GROUPS – 1996

The presentation of crime statistics by population groups was made for the purpose of projecting, for consideration, the relative crime experience of communities of varying populations. Although the individual municipalities within the various groups may be geographically separated, their inclusion into a specific group was predicated by the similarity in population with the other municipalities within the group. Municipalities within the same group may differ widely when all factors are considered, but they do share the common bond of population size. The grouping of communities in this manner allows recognition of variances in the crime volumes, rates and clearances between the established groups.

Set forth below are the established municipal groupings as used in this section:

POPULATION GROUPS	TOTAL CRIME INDEX	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Larceny-theft	Motor Vehicle Theft
GROUP I								
4 Municipalities over 100,000 Population—729,361	69,095	140	382	7,754	7,212	13,153	25,665	14,789
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	94.7	0.2	0.5	10.6	9.9	18.0	35.2	20.3
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	16.1							
GROUP II								
22 Municipalities 50,000-100,000 Population —1,487,760	75,023	85	626	5,031	5,276	14,937	37,156	11,912
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	50.4	0.1	0.4	3.4	3.5	10.0	25.0	8.0
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	20.4							
GROUP III								
56 Municipalities 25,000-50,000 Population —1,927,947	89,530	56	339	3,524	3,784	15,655	56,077	10,095
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	46.4	★	0.2	1.8	2.0	8.1	29.1	5.2
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	19.0							
GROUP IV								
67 Municipalities 15,000-25,000 Population —1,297,776	44,109	22	235	1,261	1,867	7,315	29,168	4,241
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	34.0	★	0.2	1.0	1.4	5.6	22.5	3.3
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	24.1							
GROUP V								
212 Municipalities 5,000-15,000 Population —1,928,623	52,579	19	271	1,001	2,221	8,726	35,911	4,430
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	27.3	★	0.1	0.5	1.2	4.5	18.6	2.3
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	23.0							
GROUP VI								
126 Municipalities 2,000-5,000 Population —438,561	12,965	10	106	265	737	2,834	8,173	840
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	29.6	★	0.2	0.6	1.7	6.5	18.6	1.9
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	22.8							
GROUP VII								
80 Municipalities under 2,000 Population —93,966	2,793	5	13	23	155	543	1,924	130
Rate per 1,000 inhabitants	29.7	0.1	0.1	0.2	1.7	5.8	20.5	1.4
Percent Index Offenses Cleared	23.3							

★ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

URBAN – SUBURBAN – RURAL CRIME 5 YEAR COMPARISON 1992/1996 Summary Analysis

OFFENSES	URBAN			SUBURBAN			RURAL		
	1992	1996	Percent Change	1992	1996	Percent Change	1992	1996	Percent Change
Murder	321	288	-10	45	38	-16	31	11	-65
Rape	1,589	1,286	-19	585	510	-13	225	176	-22
Robbery	19,901	16,290	-18	1,962	2,186	11	357	383	7
Aggravated Assault	17,587	15,920	-9	4,605	4,020	-13	1,442	1,312	-9
Burglary	49,232	40,360	-18	21,034	18,285	-13	5,270	4,518	-14
Larceny-Theft	113,332	106,255	-6	79,843	74,422	-7	13,512	13,397	-1
Motor Vehicle Theft	50,354	35,331	-30	11,875	9,824	-17	1,304	1,282	-2
Total Crime Index	252,316	215,730	-15	119,949	109,285	-9	22,141	21,079	-5
Violent Crime	39,398	33,784	-14	7,197	6,754	-6	2,055	1,882	-8
Nonviolent Crime	212,918	181,946	-15	112,752	102,531	-9	20,086	19,197	-4

The character of some municipalities has changed due to the updating of Urban, Suburban and Rural classifications.

- During the five-year period, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in Index offenses, a decrease of 15 percent.
- Suburban and Rural communities experienced 9 percent and 5 percent decreases respectively in Index offenses.
- Motor Vehicle Theft decreased 30 percent in the Urban community compared to 1992.
- Overall, Urban, Suburban and Rural communities' experienced a decrease in violent and nonviolent crimes.

URBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 1995/1996

Municipalities: 155

Population: 3,565,810

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change
Murder	352	288	-18	0.1	0.1	0	86.3	85.5	-1
Rape	1,194	1,286	8	0.3	0.4	33	62.1	65.2	5
Robbery	19,826	16,290	-18	5.6	4.6	-18	88.2	86.3	-2
Aggravated Assault	17,383	15,920	-8	4.9	4.5	-8	76.3	74.9	-2
Burglary	45,239	40,360	-11	12.7	11.3	-11	65.0	63.9	-2
Larceny-Theft	113,802	106,255	-7	31.9	29.8	-7	55.1	54.7	-1
Motor Vehicle Theft	38,303	35,331	-8	10.7	9.9	-7	76.4	76.1	*
Total Crime Index	236,099	215,730	-9	66.2	60.5	-9	63.2	62.3	-1
Violent Crime	38,755	33,784	-13	10.9	9.5	-13	81.4	79.6	-2
Nonviolent Crime	197,344	181,946	-8	55.3	51.0	-8	60.5	59.9	-1

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

- There were 215,730 offenses reported in municipalities of Urban character during 1996, this represents a decrease of 9 percent compared to 1995.
- Sixty-two percent of all Index crimes occurred in Urban areas.
- Violent crime in Urban communities decreased 13 percent and accounted for 80 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime decreased 8 percent and accounted for 60 percent of the reported nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate decreased 9 percent to 60.5 victims for every 1,000 persons.

SUBURBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 1995/1996

Municipalities: 254

Population: 3,473,500

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change
Murder	43	38	-12	☼	☼	-	10.5	11.3	8
Rape	554	510	-8	0.2	0.1	-50	28.8	25.9	-10
Robbery	2,270	2,186	-4	0.7	0.6	-14	10.1	11.6	15
Aggravated Assault	4,112	4,020	-2	1.2	1.2	0	18.0	18.8	4
Burglary	19,112	18,285	-4	5.5	5.3	-4	27.5	29.0	5
Larceny-Theft	78,198	74,422	-5	22.5	21.4	-5	37.9	38.4	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	10,602	9,824	-7	3.1	2.8	-10	21.1	21.2	*
Total Crime Index	114,891	109,285	-5	33.1	31.5	-5	30.7	31.6	3
Violent Crime	6,979	6,754	-3	2.0	1.9	-5	14.7	15.9	8
Nonviolent Crime	107,912	102,531	-5	31.1	29.5	-5	33.1	33.8	2

* Less than one-half of one percent.

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- Suburban areas Index offenses decreased 5 percent in 1996.
- Thirty-two percent of reported Index crimes occurred in Suburban communities.
- Violent crime decreased 3 percent and represented 16 percent of the state's violent crime total.
- Nonviolent crime decreased 5 percent and accounted for 34 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate was calculated at 31.5 victims per 1,000 inhabitants; a decrease of 5 percent compared to 1995.

RURAL NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 1995/1996

Municipalities: 158

Population: 864,684

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change	1995	1996	Percent Change
Murder	13	11	-15	☉	☉	-	3.2	3.3	3
Rape	176	176	0	0.2	0.2	0	9.1	8.9	-2
Robbery	378	383	1	0.4	0.4	0	1.7	2.0	18
Aggravated Assault	1,276	1,312	3	1.5	1.5	0	5.6	6.1	9
Burglary	5,196	4,518	-13	6.0	5.2	-13	7.5	7.2	-4
Larceny-Theft	14,421	13,397	-7	16.7	15.5	-7	7.0	6.9	-1
Motor Vehicle Theft	1,256	1,282	2	1.5	1.5	0	2.5	2.8	12
Total Crime Index	22,716	21,079	-7	26.3	24.4	-7	6.1	6.1	0
Violent Crime	1,843	1,882	2	2.1	2.2	5	3.9	4.4	13
Nonviolent Crime	20,873	19,197	-8	24.1	22.2	-8	6.4	6.3	-2

☉ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

- In 1996 there were 22,716 Index crimes reported in Rural municipalities, a 7 percent decrease compared to 1995.
- Six percent of the state's Index crime occurred in Rural communities.
- Violent crime increased 2 percent and accounted for 4 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in rural communities accounted for 6 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate decreased 7 percent to 24.4 victims per 1,000 inhabitants.

