



# Section Five

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# CRIME INDEX FOR POPULATION GROUPS – 2005

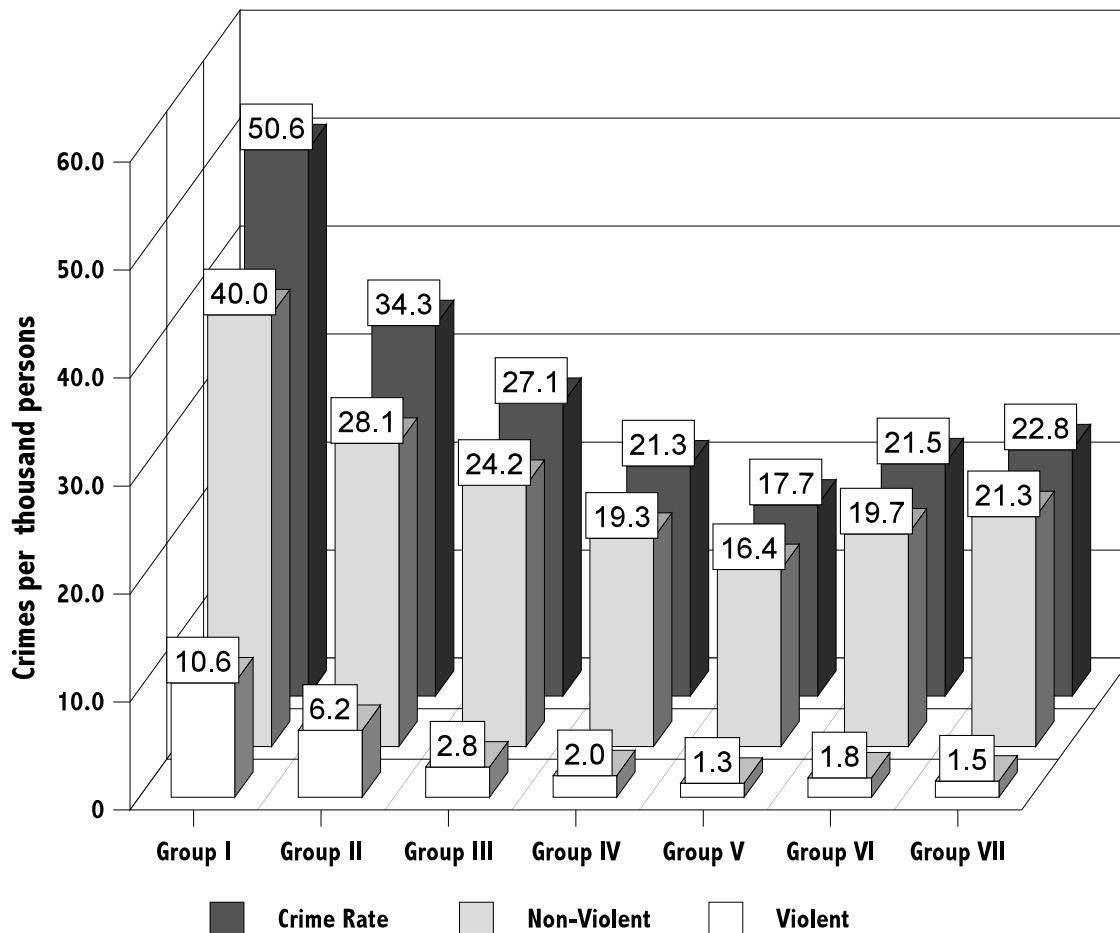
The presentation of crime statistics by population groups was made for the purpose of projecting, for consideration, the relative crime experience of communities of varying populations. Although the individual municipalities within the various groups may be geographically separated, their inclusion into 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	Aggra- vated Assault	Burglary	Larceny- Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft
<b>GROUP I</b>								
<b>4 Municipalities over 100,000</b>	40,215	173	182	4,127	3,933	6,359	15,449	9,992
<b>Population — 795,123</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	50.6	0.2	0.2	5.2	4.9	8.0	19.4	12.6
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	13.2							
<b>GROUP II</b>								
<b>21 Municipalities 50,000 - 100,000</b>	52,311	130	260	4,221	4,776	8,809	27,635	6,480
<b>Population — 1,525,246</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	34.3	0.1	0.2	2.8	3.1	5.8	18.1	4.2
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	19.3							
<b>GROUP III</b>								
<b>59 Municipalities 25,000-50,000</b>	62,183	56	365	2,820	3,292	10,229	39,421	6,000
<b>Population — 2,297,614</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	27.1	♦	0.2	1.2	1.4	4.5	17.2	2.6
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	19.2							
<b>GROUP IV</b>								
<b>67 Municipalities 15,000-25,000</b>	30,368	29	148	1,076	1,641	5,352	19,934	2,188
<b>Population — 1,423,263</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	21.3	♦	0.1	0.8	1.2	3.8	14.0	1.5
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	21.8							
<b>GROUP V</b>								
<b>220 Municipalities 5,000-15,000</b>	37,776	20	191	781	1,766	6,093	26,502	2,423
<b>Population — 2,132,763</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	17.7	♦	0.1	0.4	0.8	2.9	12.4	1.1
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	22.8							
<b>GROUP VI</b>								
<b>117 Municipalities 2,000-5,000</b>	9,079	6	52	154	550	1,658	6,174	485
<b>Population — 422,367</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	21.5	♦	0.1	0.4	1.3	3.9	14.6	1.1
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	23.2							
<b>GROUP VII</b>								
<b>78 Municipalities under 2,000</b>	2,336	4	6	30	115	410	1,661	110
<b>Population — 102,503</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	22.8	♦	0.1	0.3	1.1	4.0	16.2	1.1
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	22.6							

♦ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

# COMPARATIVE CRIME RATES FOR POPULATION GROUPS 2005



- Group I - Four municipalities with populations over 100,000.
- Group II - Twenty-one municipalities with populations between 50,000 and 100,000.
- Group III - Fifty-nine municipalities with populations between 25,000 and 50,000.
- Group IV - Sixty-seven municipalities with populations between 15,000 and 25,000.
- Group V - Two hundred twenty municipalities with populations between 5,000 and 15,000.
- Group VI - One hundred seventeen municipalities with populations between 2,000 and 5,000.
- Group VII - Seventy-eight municipalities with populations under 2,000.

Percent Distribution may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

# URBAN – SUBURBAN – RURAL CRIME 5 YEAR COMPARISON 2001/2005 Summary Analysis

OFFENSES	URBAN			SUBURBAN			RURAL		
	2001	2005	Percent Change	2001	2005	Percent Change	2001	2005	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	286	<b>364</b>	<b>27</b>	37	<b>40</b>	<b>8</b>	18	<b>14</b>	<b>-22</b>
<b>Rape</b>	769	<b>721</b>	<b>-6</b>	396	<b>409</b>	<b>3</b>	112	<b>74</b>	<b>-34</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	11,874	<b>11,122</b>	<b>-6</b>	1,947	<b>1,822</b>	<b>-6</b>	291	<b>265</b>	<b>-9</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	12,530	<b>11,637</b>	<b>-7</b>	3,680	<b>3,376</b>	<b>-8</b>	1,017	<b>1,060</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	28,621	<b>23,037</b>	<b>-20</b>	14,530	<b>12,614</b>	<b>-13</b>	3,617	<b>3,259</b>	<b>-10</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	81,909	<b>69,744</b>	<b>-15</b>	61,168	<b>55,046</b>	<b>-10</b>	12,748	<b>11,986</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	29,235	<b>22,030</b>	<b>-25</b>	7,439	<b>4,732</b>	<b>-36</b>	977	<b>916</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>165,224</b>	<b>138,655</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>89,197</b>	<b>78,039</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>18,780</b>	<b>17,574</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>25,459</b>	<b>23,844</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>6,060</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>139,765</b>	<b>114,811</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>83,137</b>	<b>72,392</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>17,342</b>	<b>16,161</b>	<b>-7</b>

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

- Comparing 2005 to 2001, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in Index offenses, a decrease of 16 percent.
- Index crimes in Suburban communities decreased 13 percent, while Rural communities decreased 6 percent.
- Comparing 2005 to 2001, Suburban communities experienced the largest percentage change in violent crimes, a decrease of 7 percent.
- Urban communities experienced a 6 percent decrease, while Rural communities experienced a 2 percent decrease in violent crimes, comparing 2005 to 2001.
- Comparing 2005 to 2001, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in nonviolent crimes, a decrease of 18 percent.
- Suburban communities experienced a 13 percent decrease and Rural communities experienced a 7 percent decrease in nonviolent crimes, comparing 2005 to 2001.

# URBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2004/2005

Municipalities: 155

Population: 3,827,441

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	331	<b>364</b>	<b>10</b>	0.09	<b>0.10</b>	*	84.4	<b>87.1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Rape</b>	767	<b>721</b>	<b>-6</b>	0.20	<b>0.19</b>	*	57.8	<b>59.9</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	10,910	<b>11,122</b>	<b>2</b>	2.86	<b>2.91</b>	<b>2</b>	83.5	<b>84.2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	11,367	<b>11,637</b>	<b>2</b>	2.98	<b>3.04</b>	<b>2</b>	70.5	<b>72.4</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	24,267	<b>23,037</b>	<b>-5</b>	6.36	<b>6.02</b>	<b>-5</b>	59.1	<b>59.2</b>	*
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	72,263	<b>69,744</b>	<b>-3</b>	18.93	<b>18.22</b>	<b>-4</b>	51.5	<b>51.0</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	23,989	<b>22,030</b>	<b>-8</b>	6.28	<b>5.76</b>	<b>-8</b>	79.1	<b>79.6</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>143,894</b>	<b>138,655</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>37.70</b>	<b>36.23</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>59.4</b>	<b>59.2</b>	<b>*</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>23,844</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6.12</b>	<b>6.23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>75.6</b>	<b>77.2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>120,519</b>	<b>114,811</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>31.57</b>	<b>30.00</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>-1</b>

\* Not calculated due to small volume.

- There were 138,655 offenses reported in municipalities of Urban character during 2005, this represents a decrease of 4 percent compared to 2004.
- Fifty-nine percent of all Index crimes occurred in Urban areas.
- Violent crime in Urban communities increased 2 percent and accounted for 77 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Urban communities decreased 5 percent and accounted for 56 percent of the state's total nonviolent crime.
- The crime rate in Urban communities decreased 4 percent to 36.2 victims for every 1,000 persons.

# SUBURBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2004/2005

Municipalities: 254

Population: 3,854,964

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	47	<b>40</b>	<b>-15</b>	0.01	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0</b>	12.0	<b>9.6</b>	<b>-20</b>
<b>Rape</b>	448	<b>409</b>	<b>-9</b>	0.12	<b>0.11</b>	*	33.7	<b>34.0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	1,855	<b>1,822</b>	<b>-2</b>	0.49	<b>0.47</b>	*	14.2	<b>13.8</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	3,624	<b>3,376</b>	<b>-7</b>	0.95	<b>0.88</b>	*	22.5	<b>21.0</b>	<b>-7</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	13,071	<b>12,614</b>	<b>-3</b>	3.42	<b>3.27</b>	<b>-4</b>	31.9	<b>32.4</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	56,048	<b>55,046</b>	<b>-2</b>	14.67	<b>14.28</b>	<b>-3</b>	40.0	<b>40.2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	5,401	<b>4,732</b>	<b>-12</b>	1.41	<b>1.23</b>	<b>-13</b>	17.8	<b>17.1</b>	<b>-4</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>80,494</b>	<b>78,039</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>21.06</b>	<b>20.24</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>*</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>5,974</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>1.56</b>	<b>1.46</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>18.3</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>74,520</b>	<b>72,392</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>19.50</b>	<b>18.78</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>35.6</b>	<b>1</b>

\* Not Calculated due to small volume.

- Suburban Index offenses decreased 3 percent in 2005.
- Thirty-three percent of reported Index crimes occurred in Suburban communities.
- Violent crime decreased by 5 percent and represented 18 percent of the state's violent crime total.
- Nonviolent crime decreased 3 percent and accounted for 36 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate was calculated at 20.2 victims per 1,000 inhabitants; a decrease of 4 percent compared to 2004.

# RURAL NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2004/2005

Municipalities: 157

Population: 1,016,474

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change	2004	2005	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	14	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	0.01	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0</b>	3.6	<b>3.3</b>	<b>-8</b>
<b>Rape</b>	113	<b>74</b>	<b>-35</b>	0.11	<b>0.07</b>	*	8.5	<b>6.1</b>	<b>-28</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	306	<b>265</b>	<b>-13</b>	0.31	<b>0.26</b>	*	2.3	<b>2.0</b>	<b>-13</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	1,135	<b>1,060</b>	<b>-7</b>	1.14	<b>1.04</b>	<b>-9</b>	7.0	<b>6.6</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	3,694	<b>3,259</b>	<b>-12</b>	3.70	<b>3.21</b>	<b>-13</b>	9.0	<b>8.4</b>	<b>-7</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	11,870	<b>11,986</b>	<b>1</b>	11.88	<b>11.79</b>	<b>-1</b>	8.5	<b>8.8</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	924	<b>916</b>	<b>-1</b>	0.92	<b>0.90</b>	*	3.0	<b>3.3</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>18,056</b>	<b>17,574</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>18.07</b>	<b>17.29</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>1.39</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>-10</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>16,488</b>	<b>16,161</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>16.50</b>	<b>15.90</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>1</b>

\* Not calculated due to small volume.

- In 2005 there were 17,574 Index crimes reported in Rural municipalities, a 3 percent decrease compared to 2004.
- Eight percent of the state's Index crime occurred in Rural communities.
- Violent crime decreased 10 percent and accounted for 5 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Rural communities accounted for 8 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate in Rural communities decreased 4 percent to 17.3 victims per 1,000 inhabitants.

# UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE OFFENSE DATA – 2005

(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 ★
<b>BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>41</b>	-	-	-	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>40</b>	-	-
<b>ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>
Newark City	100	3	97	-	-	1	2	-	83	14	-
West Caldwell Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>KEAN UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
Elizabeth City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillside Township	10	0	10	-	-	-	-	1	7	2	1
Union Township	156	7	149	-	3	-	4	12	135	2	1
<b>MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>56</b>	-	-
<b>MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Long Branch City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ocean Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Long Branch Borough	86	3	83	-	2	1	-	9	74	-	-
<b>MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
Clifton City	15	1	14	-	1	-	-	4	10	-	-
Little Falls Township	189	10	179	-	4	2	4	25	150	4	-
Montclair Town	36	1	35	-	1	-	-	1	34	-	-
<b>NJ INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>161</b>	-	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ROWAN UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>179</b>	-	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	-	<b>17</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>3</b>	-
<b>RUTGERS UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3</b>
Camden Campus	80	3	77	-	-	1	2	14	62	1	-
New Brunswick Campus	592	13	579	0	6	4	3	158	409	12	3
East Brunswick Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edison Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highland Park Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick City	354	8	346	-	3	3	2	105	235	6	2
North Brunswick Township	17	0	17	-	-	-	-	3	12	2	-
Piscataway Township	221	5	216	-	3	1	1	50	162	4	1
Newark Campus	193	6	187	-	-	3	3	17	151	19	-
<b>STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>54</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>43</b>	-	<b>2</b>
<b>RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF N.J.</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>72</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>60</b>	-	-
<b>THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>117</b>	-	<b>3</b>	-	<b>1</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>4</b>	-
<b>UNIV. OF MEDICINE &amp; DENTISTRY</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>
Camden Campus	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Newark Campus	476	58	418	-	-	30	28	94	291	33	-
New Brunswick Campus	55	3	52	-	-	-	3	2	50	-	-
Piscataway Campus	9	1	8	-	-	-	1	-	8	-	-
<b>WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
Haledon Borough	4	0	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
North Haledon Borough	9	0	9	-	-	-	-	4	5	-	-
Wayne Township	91	1	90	-	-	1	-	14	75	1	-
<b>TOTAL UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE</b>	<b>2,808</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>2,673</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>2,117</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>7</b>

★ Arson is not tabulated into the crime index offense total.