

PROPERTY CRIMES

Property crimes include burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. These crimes do not involve the threat of violence, but entail property taken from one by another, or the destruction of property by arson.

Property crimes showed a decrease during 1999, falling by 1,825 reported offenses. The 1999 total of 34,658 represents a 5.0% decrease from the 1998 figure of 36,483.

Law enforcement agencies cleared 9,616 property crimes during 1999 for a 27.7% clearance rate. Property crimes represent 96.4% of all reported index crimes and account for a crime rate of 28.06 offenses per 1,000.

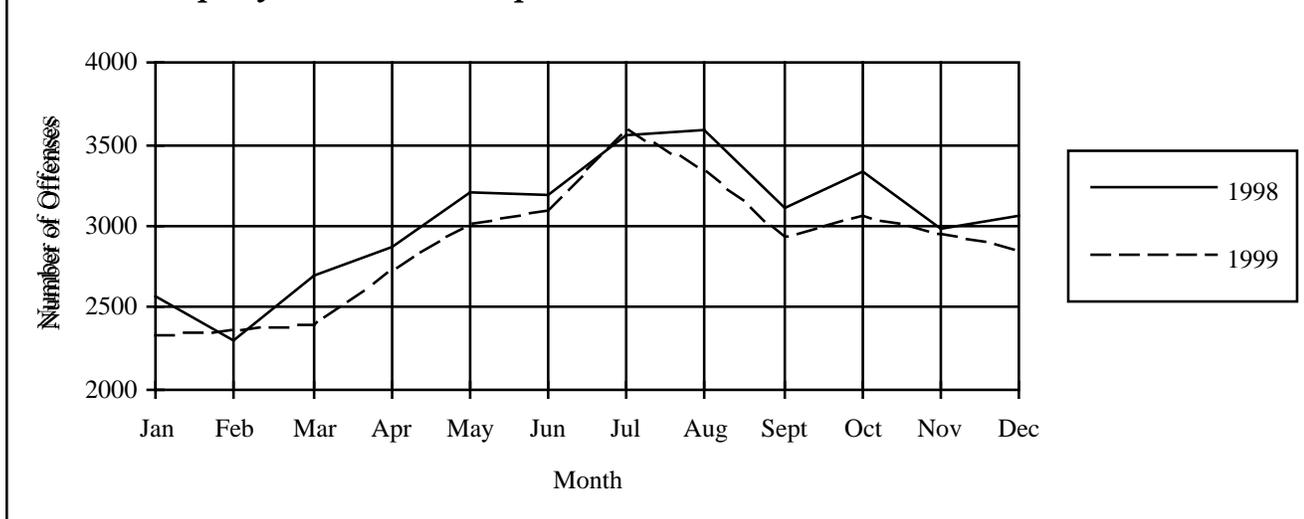
Crime Clock



Number of Offenses — Comparative Data 1998–1999

| | Burglary | Larceny | Motor Vehicle Theft | Arson | Totals |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|-------|--------|
| 1998 | 8,300 | 26,464 | 1,517 | 202 | 36,483 |
| 1999 | 7,622 | 25,381 | 1,457 | 198 | 34,658 |
| Number Change | -678 | -1,083 | -60 | -4 | -1,825 |
| Percent Change | -8.2% | -4.1% | -4.0% | -2.0% | -5.0% |

Property Crimes — Comparative Data 1998–1999



Property Crime by County

(State Property Crime Rate: 28.06)

