



## BURGLARY

Burglary, also known as breaking and entering, is “the unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny.”

“A person is guilty of burglary if he enters or surreptitiously remains in a structure, knowing that he is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 401

### Crime Clock

1 Burglary  
every  
77 minutes,  
59 seconds

### Trend

Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1996–2000
Number reported	9,230	8,218	8,300	7,622	6,759	
% change from previous year	0.1%	-11.0%	1.0%	-8.2%	-11.3%	% change -26.8%
Rate per 1,000	7.47	6.65	6.72	6.17	5.30	
% change from previous year	0.1%	-11.0%	1.1%	-8.2%	-14.1%	% change -29.0%

### Characteristics — 2000

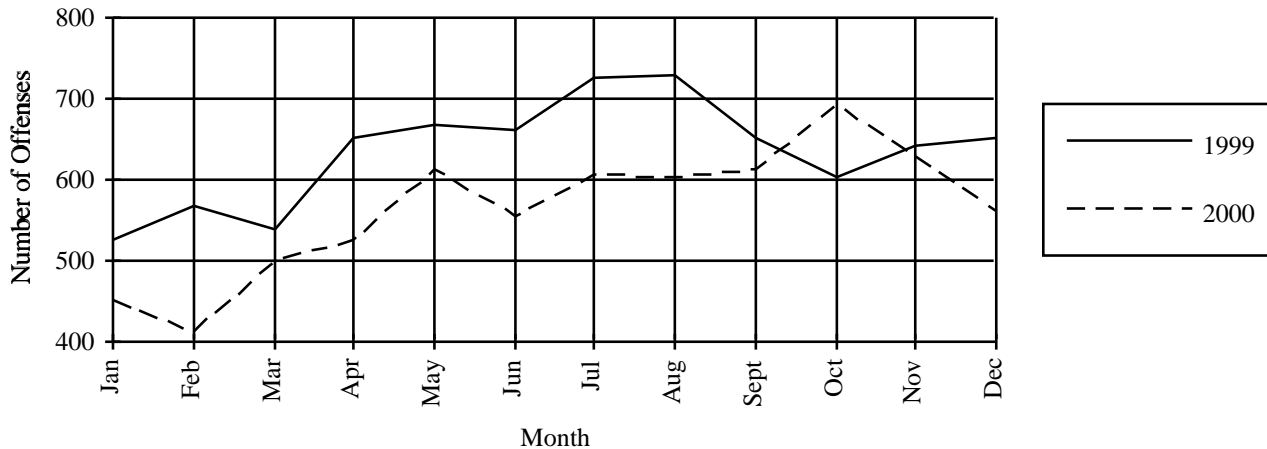
Place of Occurrence	Months of Highest Occurrence
Residence.....65.5%	October .....10.3%
Non-Residence.....34.5%	November .....9.3%
	May, September .....9.1%
Type of Entry	Value of Property Stolen during Offense
Forcible Entry.....54.5%	Total.....\$5,237,998.00
Unlawful Entry — No Force.....38.7%	Per Incident Average.....\$774.97
Attempted Forcible Entry.....6.8%	
Time of Day	Clearance Rate
Unknown.....33.5%	1,416 Offenses Cleared.....20.9%
Night — 6 p.m.–6 a.m.....33.6%	Arrests/Crime Ratio.....0.20
Day — 6 a.m.–6 p.m.....32.9%	

### Profile of Persons Arrested 1,328 Arrests

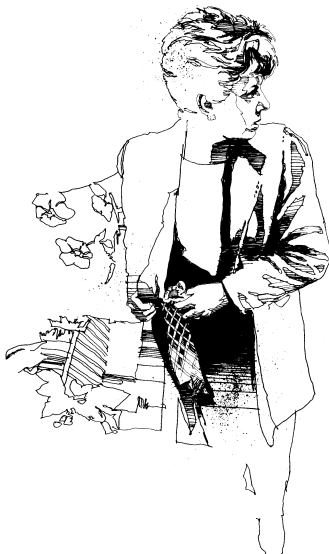
Age	Sex
17 and under.....38.7%	Male.....90.7%
18–24.....39.5%	Female.....9.3%
25–29.....4.6%	
30–34.....6.4%	
35–39.....5.4%	
40 and over.....5.4%	

### Type of Entry, 1999–2000

	1999	2000	% change
Forcible Entry	4,176	3,682	-11.8%
Unlawful Entry, no force	2,909	2,616	-10.1%
Attempted Forcible Entry	537	461	-14.2%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7,622</b>	<b>6,759</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>

**Burglaries — Comparative Data 1999–2000****Burglary by Time of Day, 1999–2000**

	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1999	2000	% change	1999	2000	% change
<b>Residence</b>						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,235	1,153	–6.6%	\$626,837	\$687,307	9.6%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	1,903	1,716	–9.8%	\$1,702,839	\$1,370,838	–19.5%
Unknown	1,853	1,556	–16.0%	\$1,520,105	\$1,289,324	–15.2%
<b>Subtotals</b>	<b>4,991</b>	<b>4,425</b>	<b>–11.3%</b>	<b>\$3,849,781</b>	<b>\$3,347,469</b>	<b>–13.0%</b>
<b>Non-Residence</b>						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,320	1,121	–15.1%	\$1,007,984	\$845,040	–16.2%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	546	508	–7.0%	\$341,274	\$346,468	1.5%
Unknown	765	705	–7.8%	\$695,095	\$699,021	0.6%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,631</b>	<b>2,334</b>	<b>–11.3%</b>	<b>\$2,044,353</b>	<b>\$1,890,529</b>	<b>–7.5%</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>7,622</b>	<b>6,759</b>	<b>–11.3%</b>	<b>\$5,894,134</b>	<b>\$5,237,998</b>	<b>–11.1%</b>

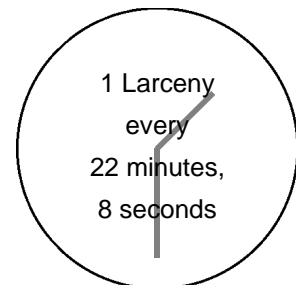
**LARCENY-THEFT**

Larceny is the unlawful taking of the property of another with the intent to deprive him of ownership.

Maine has consolidated conduct denoted as Theft under Title 17-A, Chapter 15, § 351, Consolidation, embracing numerous separate crimes previously known as larceny, embezzlement, false pretenses, extortion, blackmail, shoplifting, and receiving stolen property. In properly classifying/scoring these offenses under UCR guidelines, certain offenses fall under Larceny-Theft, while others more appropriately fit under Part II offense definitions such as Fraud, Embezzlement, Stolen Property or All Other Offenses.

*Theft by unauthorized taking or transfer* — “1. A person is guilty of theft if he obtains or exercises unauthorized control over the property of another with intent to deprive him thereof.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 353

*Burglary of a motor vehicle* — “A person is guilty of theft if the actor enters a motor vehicle knowing the actor is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein (and that crime is theft).” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 405

**Crime Clock**

<i>Trend</i>						
<b>Year</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1996-2000</b>
Number reported	29,193	27,449	26,464	25,381	23,808	
% change from previous year	2.4%	-6.0%	-3.6%	-4.1%	-6.2%	
						% change -18.4%
Rate per 1,000	23.64	22.23	21.43	20.55	18.67	
% change from previous year	2.4%	-6.0%	-3.6%	-4.1%	-9.1%	
						% change -21.0%

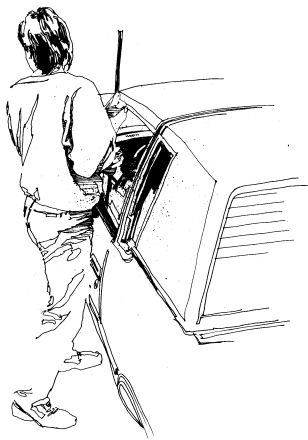
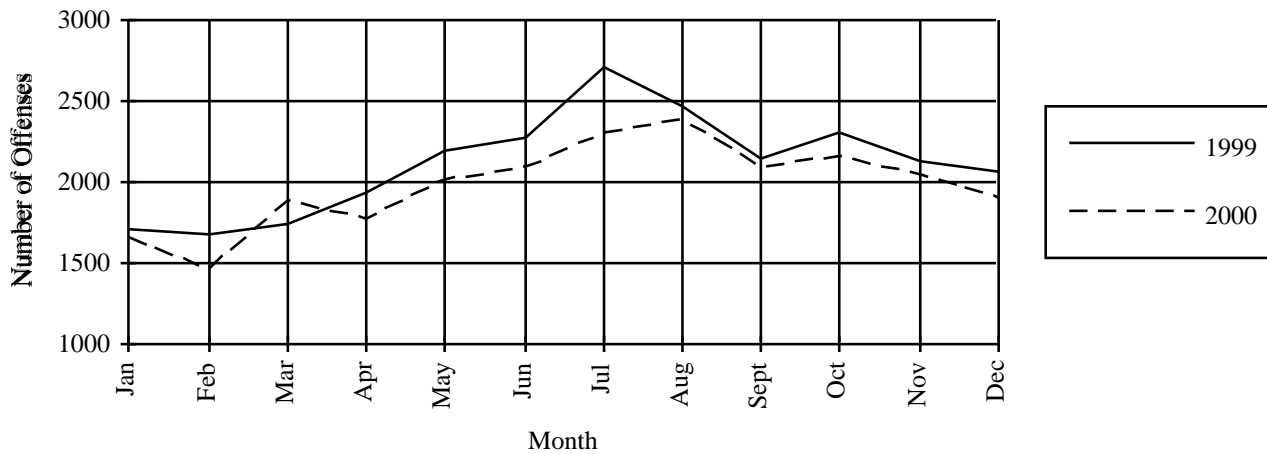
<i>Characteristics — 2000</i>	
<b>Type of Criminal Activity</b>	
All Other .....	41.9%
From Motor Vehicles .....	19.2%
From Buildings .....	16.9%
Shoplifting .....	13.2%
Bicycles .....	5.2%
Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories .....	2.5%
Purse-Snatching .....	0.6%
From Coin-Op Machines .....	0.4%
Pocket-Picking .....	0.2%
<b>Value per Incident</b>	
Under \$50 .....	41.7%
Over \$200 .....	32.8%
\$50 to \$200 .....	25.5%
<b>Months of Highest Occurrence</b>	
August .....	10.0%
July .....	9.7%
October .....	9.1%
<b>Value of Property Stolen during Offense</b>	
Total.....	\$10,112,251.00
Per Incident Average.....	\$424.74
<b>Clearance Rate</b>	
6,706 Offenses Cleared.....	28.2%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.23

***Profile of Persons Arrested***  
***5,390 Arrests***

<b>Age</b>	
17 and under.....	38.1%
18-24.....	32.6%
25-29.....	7.2%
30-34.....	5.8%
35-39.....	5.4%
40 and over.....	11.0%
<b>Sex</b>	
Male.....	65.5%
Female.....	34.5%

<i>Larceny by Classification, 1999-2000</i>						
	<b>Number of Offenses</b>			<b>Value Stolen</b>		
	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>% change</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>% change</b>
Pocket-Picking	47	42	-10.6%	\$6,212	\$11,769	89.5%
Purse-Snatching	153	138	-9.8%	\$27,913	\$27,889	-0.1%
Shoplifting	4,144	3,131	-24.4%	\$517,748	\$320,485	-38.1%
From Motor Vehicles	5,299	4,575	-13.7%	\$1,782,749	\$1,818,830	2.0%
M/V Parts & Accessories	637	597	-6.3%	\$218,929	\$189,087	-13.6%
Bicycles	1,618	1,227	-24.2%	\$415,989	\$299,441	-28.0%
From Buildings	4,114	4,027	-2.1%	\$2,771,134	\$2,549,022	-8.0%
From Coin-Op Machines	137	103	-24.8%	\$117,180	\$16,166	-86.2%
All Other	9,232	9,968	8.0%	\$3,920,430	\$4,879,562	24.5%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>25,381</b>	<b>23,808</b>	<b>-6.2%</b>	<b>\$9,778,284</b>	<b>\$10,112,251</b>	<b>3.4%</b>

***Larceny-Theft — Comparative Data 1999–2000***



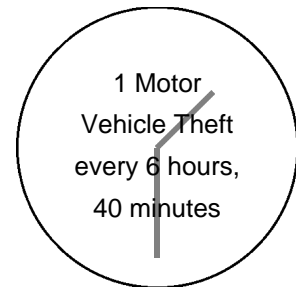
***MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT***

Uniform Crime Reporting defines Motor Vehicle Theft as the larceny or attempted larceny of a motor vehicle, including “joy riding.” Excluded from this class is a reported offense where there is lawful access to the vehicle, such as a family situation, or unauthorized use by others with lawful access, such as with employees.

Motor vehicles are defined by UCR as self-propelled vehicles that run on the surface of the land and not on rails, such as automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, snowmobiles, ATVs, etc. Not included are farm equipment, construction equipment, airplanes, motorboats.

*Unauthorized use of property — “1. A person is guilty of theft if: A. Knowing that he does not have the consent of the owner, he takes, operates or exercises control over a vehicle, or knowing that the vehicle has been wrongfully obtained, he rides in such vehicle.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A § 360*

**Crime Clock**



***Trend***

Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1996–2000
Number reported	1,766	1,642	1,517	1,457	1,317	
% change from previous year	2.7%	-7.0%	-7.6%	-4.0%	-9.6%	
						% change -25.4%
Rate per 1,000	1.43	1.33	1.23	1.18	1.03	
% change from previous year	2.9%	-7.0%	-7.6%	-4.1%	-12.7%	
						% change -28.0%

**Type of Vehicle 1999–2000**

	Auto- mobiles	Trucks/ Buses	Other Vehicles	Totals
1999	978	171	308	<b>1,457</b>
2000	863	145	309	<b>1,317</b>
% change	-11.8%	-15.2%	0.3%	<b>-9.6%</b>

**Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered 2000**

	No. Recovered	% Recovered
Recovered Locally	645	49.0%
Recovered — Other Jurisdictions	248	18.8%
<b>Total Recovered</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>67.8%</b>
Not Recovered	424	32.2%

**Characteristics — 2000**

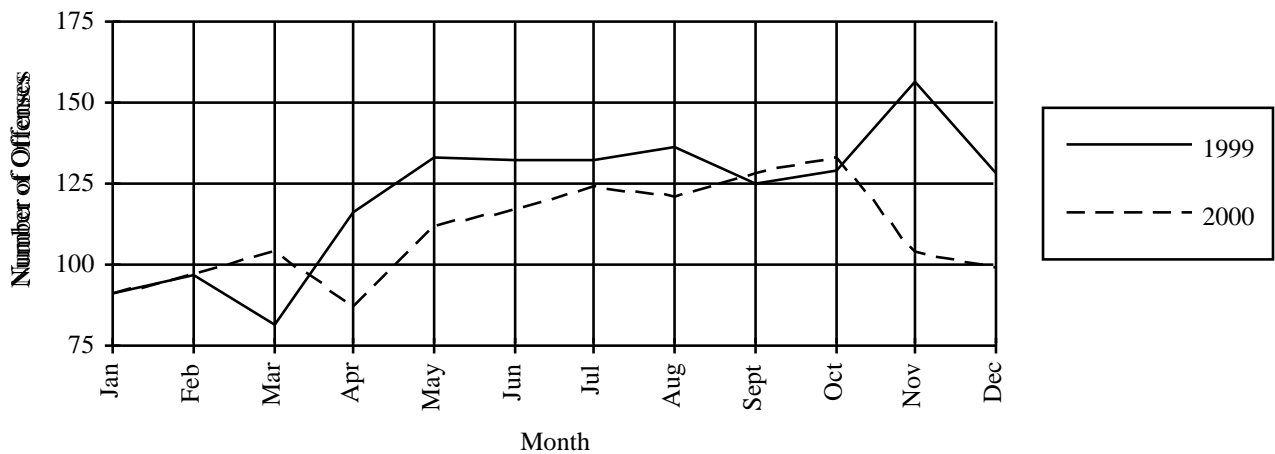
Type of Vehicle	
Automobiles.....	65.5%
Other Vehicles .....	23.5%
Trucks/Buses .....	11.0%
Months of Highest Occurrence	
October .....	10.1%
September .....	9.7%
July .....	9.4%

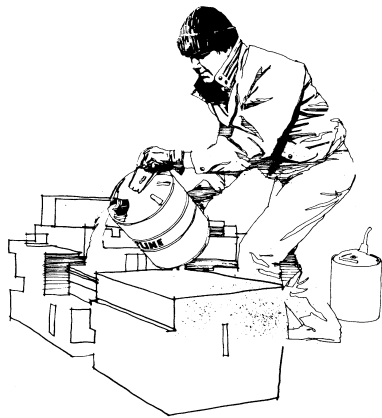
Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Total.....	\$7,564,945.00
Per Incident Average.....	\$5,744.07
<b>Number of Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered</b> .....	<b>893</b>
Value of Property Recovered	
Total .....	\$5,520,180.00
Clearance Rate	
530 Offenses Cleared.....	40.2%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.28

**Profile of Persons Arrested  
372 Arrests**

Age	
17 and under.....	43.8%
18–24.....	34.4%
25–29.....	7.5%
30–34.....	4.8%
35–39.....	4.8%
40 and over.....	4.6%
Sex	
Male.....	85.2%
Female.....	14.8%

**Stolen Vehicles — Comparative Data 1999–2000**



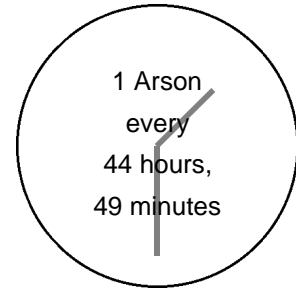


## ARSON

Arson is defined by the 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 arson. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

*"1. A person is guilty of arson if he starts, causes, or maintains a fire or explosion; A. On the property of another with the intent to damage or destroy property thereon; or B. On his own property or the property of another (1) with the intent to enable any person to collect insurance proceeds for the loss caused by the fire or explosion; or (2) which recklessly endangers any person or the property of another." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 802.*

### Crime Clock



### Trend

Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1996-2000
Number reported	288	253	202	198	196	
% change from previous year	14.7%	-12.2%	-20.2%	-2.0%	-1.0%	
						% change -31.9%
Rate per 1,000 population	0.23	0.20	0.16	0.16	0.15	
% change from previous year	15.0%	-13.0%	-20.0%	—	-6.3%	
						% change -34.8%

### Characteristics — 2000

#### Type of Property

Structural.....	52.0%
Mobile.....	18.4%
Other.....	29.6%

#### Months of Highest Occurrence

October .....	16.3%
August .....	12.2%
November .....	10.7%

#### Value of Property Damaged

Total.....	\$2,665,114.00
Per Incident Average.....	\$13,597.52

#### Clearance Rate

68 Offenses Cleared.....	34.7%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.33

### Profile of Persons Arrested 64 Arrests

#### Age

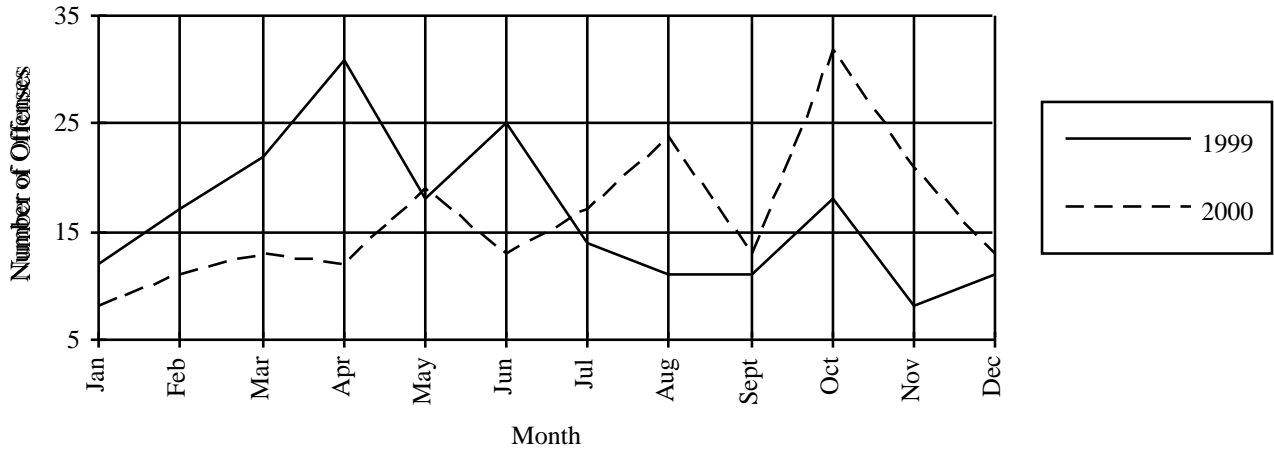
17 and under.....	37.5%
18-24.....	31.3%
25-29.....	4.7%
30-34.....	4.7%
35-39.....	6.3%
40 and over.....	15.6%

#### Sex

Male.....	73.4%
Female.....	26.6%

### Arson by Property Type, 1999-2000

Classification	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1999	2000	% change	1999	2000	% change
Structural — Residential	55	61	10.9%	\$466,382	\$905,696	94.2%
Structural — Non-residential	46	41	-10.9%	\$431,425	\$1,414,556	227.9%
Mobile (cars, trailers, boats, etc.)	37	36	-2.7%	\$259,493	\$333,240	28.4%
All other (crops, fields, signs, etc.)	60	58	-3.3%	\$39,975	\$11,622	-70.9%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>\$1,197,275</b>	<b>\$2,665,114</b>	<b>122.6%</b>

***Arsons — Comparative Data 1999–2000******Arson Breakdown by County***

County	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1999	2000	% change	1999	2000	% change
Androscoggin	11	28	154.5%	\$213,705	\$474,249	121.9%
Aroostook	2	5	150.0%	\$16,050	\$61,950	286.0%
Cumberland	93	38	-59.1%	\$259,370	\$544,666	110.0%
Franklin	2	4	100.0%	\$15,000	\$14,100	-6.0%
Hancock	2	—	-100.0%	\$2,020	—	-100.0%
Kennebec	16	20	25.0%	\$87,480	\$378,451	332.6%
Knox	7	3	-57.1%	\$54,800	—	-100.0%
Lincoln	3	1	-66.7%	\$25,000	\$35,000	40.0%
Oxford	5	6	20.0%	\$8,010	\$28,000	249.6%
Penobscot	23	34	47.8%	\$307,707	\$435,034	41.4%
Piscataquis	5	3	-40.0%	\$28,393	\$400	-98.6%
Sagadahoc	—	4	100.0%	—	\$360,000	100.0%
Somerset	2	2	—	\$8,000	\$7,200	-10.0%
Waldo	1	1	—	\$500	—	-100.0%
Washington	4	4	—	\$300	\$10,500	3,400.0%
York	22	43	95.5%	\$170,940	\$315,564	84.6%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>\$1,197,275</b>	<b>\$2,665,114</b>	<b>122.6%</b>

*Note: Arson figures shown by UCR may not agree with figures shown by the Fire Marshal's office due to local departments handling cases informally.*