

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 2003, falling by 751 reported offenses. The 2003 total of 32,281 represents a 2.3% decrease from the 2002 figure of 33,032.

Law enforcement agencies cleared 8,511 property crimes during 2003 for a 26.4% clearance rate. Property crimes represent 95.8% of all reported index crimes and account for a crime rate of 24.72 offenses per 1,000.

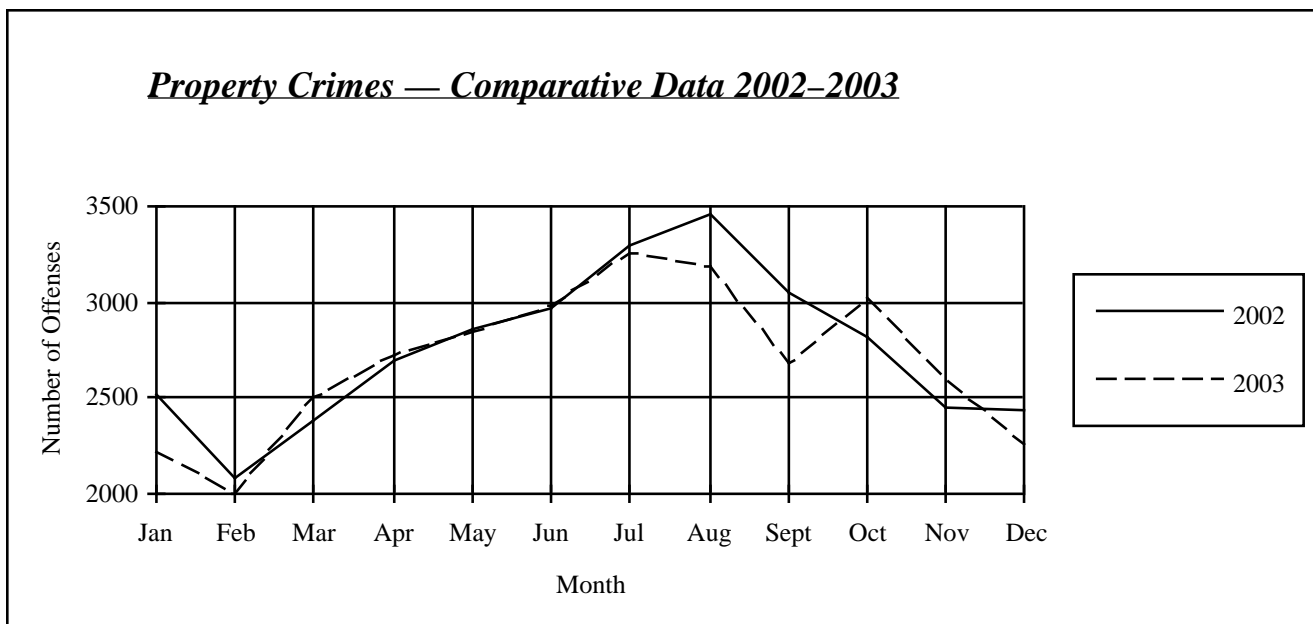
Crime Clock



Number of Offenses — Comparative Data 2002–2003

	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson	Totals
2002	6,944	24,496	1,418	174	33,032
2003	6,571	24,064	1,450	196	32,281
Number Change	-373	-432	32	22	-751
Percent Change	-5.4%	-1.8%	2.3%	12.6%	-2.3%

Property Crimes — Comparative Data 2002–2003



Property Crime by County

(State Property Crime Rate: 24.72)

