

CENTRAL DISTRICT CRIME STATISTICS 2006



**A Summary of
Recorded and Resolved Offence
Statistics**

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REPORT NOTES:

An incident that is reported to or detected by Police where Police believe an offence is likely to have been committed is counted as a Recorded Offence.

A Recorded Offence is considered to be a Resolved Offence by Police when an offender is identified and dealt with. (E.g. warned, cautioned, prosecuted, etc.)

Resolution Rate is the percentage of Recorded Offences that are resolved.

Statistics reported in this document are derived from the Police National Intelligence Application (N.I.A) These Official Crime Statistics present a snapshot of data in N.I.A. relating to offences within a given year, as at the date 14 days following the end of that year.

If an offence is resolved 15 days or more after the end of the year it will not appear in the Official Crime Statistics for that or any other year. Resolution Rate therefore undercounts the number of cases that Police have resolved. This phenomenon has a more marked impact for some types of offences than others, such as offences that require long investigations (E.g. many serial crimes, burglaries and murders).

From time to time, changes occur to categorisation of offences. Reasons for these changes include new legislation or the desire to gain more specificity in statistics for certain types of offences. Caution should therefore be observed when interpreting step-increases and decreases in the number of recorded offences of a certain type.

In June 2005 Police replaced the aging Law Enforcement System (LES), known colloquially by most New Zealanders as 'The Wanganui Computer'. As previously reported, this system change had a significant effect on numbers reported in recorded crime statistics. Caution should therefore be observed when inferring trends based on statistics in this report from the 2005 and 2006 calendar years.

For example, this document reports a 7.4% increase in total recorded crime between 2005 and 2006. As the IT system upgrade occurred mid-way through 2005, such comparison is problematic. The statistics summarised in this report are given in more detail on Statistics New Zealand's website, including a monthly breakdown. Comparison of July-December 2005 with July-December 2006, both of which relate to periods after the IT system upgrade, reveals that there was an 4.1% increase in recorded crime.

When comparing 2006 Statistics with previous years, the reader should also refer to "Report Notes" published in previous years' reports, as previous changes significantly affect year on year trends.

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Violence	Grievous Assaults	271	284	330	4.8 %	16.2 %	250	252	292	92.3 %	88.7 %	88.5 %
	Group Assemblies	18	25	22	38.9 %	-12.0 %	14	17	20	77.8 %	68.0 %	90.9 %
	Homicide	16	14	6	-12.5 %	-57.1 %	12	13	6	75.0 %	92.9 %	100.0 %
	Intimidation And Threats	752	825	983	9.7 %	19.2 %	674	737	881	89.6 %	89.3 %	89.6 %
	Kidnapping And Abduction	11	12	13	9.1 %	8.3 %	10	11	7	90.9 %	91.7 %	53.8 %
	Minor Assaults	1,110	1,126	1,138	1.4 %	1.1 %	969	974	947	87.3 %	86.5 %	83.2 %
	Robbery	72	117	136	62.5 %	16.2 %	40	61	64	55.6 %	52.1 %	47.1 %
	Serious Assaults	1,385	1,437	1,494	3.8 %	4.0 %	1,242	1,273	1,315	89.7 %	88.6 %	88.0 %
Violence		3,635	3,840	4,122	5.6 %	7.3 %	3,211	3,338	3,532	88.3 %	86.9 %	85.7 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Sexual	Abnormal Sex	2	2	4	0.0 %	100.0 %	2	2	3	100.0 %	100.0 %	75.0 %
	Immoral Behaviour	25	40	31	60.0 %	-22.5 %	13	34	24	52.0 %	85.0 %	77.4 %
	Immoral Behaviour/Miscellaneous	3	5	8	66.7 %	60.0 %	2	1	4	66.7 %	20.0 %	50.0 %
	Sexual Affronts	23	32	30	39.1 %	-6.3 %	16	20	16	69.6 %	62.5 %	53.3 %
	Sexual Attacks	186	164	151	-11.8 %	-7.9 %	110	100	97	59.1 %	61.0 %	64.2 %
Sexual		239	243	224	1.7 %	-7.8 %	143	157	144	59.8 %	64.6 %	64.3 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Drugs & AntiSocial	Disorder	1,405	1,317	1,378	-6.3 %	4.6 %	1,337	1,267	1,327	95.2 %	96.2 %	96.3 %
	Drugs (Cannabis Only)	1,082	963	1,056	-11.0 %	9.7 %	1,047	915	998	96.8 %	95.0 %	94.5 %
	Drugs (New Drugs)	89	60	82	-32.6 %	36.7 %	80	55	76	89.9 %	91.7 %	92.7 %
	Drugs (Not Cannabis)	69	65	68	-5.8 %	4.6 %	68	61	68	98.6 %	93.8 %	100.0 %
	Family Offences	27	17	17	-37.0 %	0.0 %	25	12	10	92.6 %	70.6 %	58.8 %
	Family Offences Continued	428	375	387	-12.4 %	3.2 %	401	348	353	93.7 %	92.8 %	91.2 %
	Sale Of Liquor Act	194	253	369	30.4 %	45.8 %	189	249	360	97.4 %	98.4 %	97.6 %
	Vagrancy Offences	5	6	3	20.0 %	-50.0 %	5	6	3	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Drugs & AntiSocial		3,299	3,056	3,360	-7.4 %	9.9 %	3,152	2,913	3,195	95.5 %	95.3 %	95.1 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Dishonesty	Burglary	4,548	4,874	5,175	7.2 %	6.2 %	1,045	920	986	23.0 %	18.9 %	19.1 %
	Car Conversion Etc	2,200	2,108	2,512	-4.2 %	19.2 %	496	471	620	22.5 %	22.3 %	24.7 %
	Dishonesty/Miscellaneous	22	17	30	-22.7 %	76.5 %	13	8	5	59.1 %	47.1 %	16.7 %
	Fraud	852	673	671	-21.0 %	-0.3 %	600	444	453	70.4 %	66.0 %	67.5 %
	Receiving	194	175	202	-9.8 %	15.4 %	185	173	200	95.4 %	98.9 %	99.0 %
	Theft	9,133	9,729	9,717	6.5 %	-0.1 %	2,668	2,504	2,523	29.2 %	25.7 %	26.0 %
Dishonesty		16,949	17,576	18,307	3.7 %	4.2 %	5,007	4,520	4,787	29.5 %	25.7 %	26.1 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Property Damage	Destruction Of Property	3,895	4,231	4,928	8.6 %	16.5 %	1,166	1,141	1,389	29.9 %	27.0 %	28.2 %
	Endangering	14	13	18	-7.1 %	38.5 %	11	10	16	78.6 %	76.9 %	88.9 %
Property Damage		3,909	4,244	4,946	8.6 %	16.5 %	1,177	1,151	1,405	30.1 %	27.1 %	28.4 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Property Abuse	Animals	23	20	25	-13.0 %	25.0 %	10	13	21	43.5 %	65.0 %	84.0 %
	Arms Act Offences	223	243	260	9.0 %	7.0 %	194	202	214	87.0 %	83.1 %	82.3 %
	Littering	13	13	27	0.0 %	107.7 %	12	12	22	92.3 %	92.3 %	81.5 %
	Postal/rail/fire Service Abuses	293	246	257	-16.0 %	4.5 %	215	157	178	73.4 %	63.8 %	69.3 %
	Trespass	661	632	653	-4.4 %	3.3 %	559	516	555	84.6 %	81.6 %	85.0 %
Property Abuse		1,213	1,154	1,222	-4.9 %	5.9 %	990	900	990	81.6 %	78.0 %	81.0 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
Administrative	Against Justice	626	487	597	-22.2 %	22.6 %	555	455	537	88.7 %	93.4 %	89.9 %
	Against National Interest	2	1		-50.0 %	-100.0 %	2	1		100.0 %	100.0 %	
	Births, Deaths And Marriages		1			-100.0 %		1			100.0 %	
	By Law Breaches	217	118	229	-45.6 %	94.1 %	213	110	223	98.2 %	93.2 %	97.4 %
	Immigration	5	2	1	-60.0 %	-50.0 %	3	2	1	60.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
	Justice (Special)		9	10		11.1 %		7	8		77.8 %	80.0 %
Administrative		850	618	837	-27.3 %	35.4 %	773	576	769	90.9 %	93.2 %	91.9 %

TOTAL		30,094	30,731	33,018	2.1 %	7.4 %	14,453	13,555	14,822	48.0 %	44.1 %	44.9 %
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DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY AREA
Years ending 31 December

Area Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006	Percent Variance 04-05	Percent Variance 05-06
New Plymouth	878.1	874.0	1,009.5	-0.5 %	15.5 %
Palmerston North City	1,119.2	1,221.3	1,224.9	9.1 %	0.3 %
Palmerston North Rural	705.0	717.0	779.0	1.7 %	8.7 %
Ruapehu	804.6	799.3	778.1	-0.7 %	-2.7 %
Taranaki Rural	748.8	752.2	822.6	0.5 %	9.4 %
Wanganui	904.5	870.9	978.4	-3.7 %	12.3 %
TOTAL	881.6	903.9	971.7	2.5 %	7.5 %

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 30 June

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Violence	Grievous Assaults	7.9	8.4	9.7
	Group Assemblies	0.5	0.7	0.6
	Homicide	0.5	0.4	0.2
	Intimidation And Threats	22.0	24.3	28.9
	Kidnapping And Abduction	0.3	0.4	0.4
	Minor Assaults	32.5	33.1	33.5
	Robbery	2.1	3.4	4.0
	Serious Assaults	40.6	42.3	44.0
Violence		106.5	112.9	121.3

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Sexual	Abnormal Sex	0.1	0.1	0.1
	Immoral Behaviour	0.7	1.2	0.9
	Immoral Behaviour/Miscellaneous	0.1	0.1	0.2
	Sexual Affronts	0.7	0.9	0.9
	Sexual Attacks	5.4	4.8	4.4
Sexual		7.0	7.1	6.6

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Drugs & AntiSocial	Disorder	41.2	38.7	40.6
	Drugs (Cannabis Only)	31.7	28.3	31.1
	Drugs (New Drugs)	2.6	1.8	2.4
	Drugs (Not Cannabis)	2.0	1.9	2.0
	Family Offences	0.8	0.5	0.5
	Family Offences Continued	12.5	11.0	11.4
	Sale Of Liquor Act	5.7	7.4	10.9
	Vagrancy Offences	0.1	0.2	0.1
Drugs & AntiSocial		96.6	89.9	98.9

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 30 June

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Dishonesty	Burglary	133.2	143.4	152.3
	Car Conversion Etc	64.4	62.0	73.9
	Dishonesty/Miscellaneous	0.6	0.5	0.9
	Fraud	25.0	19.8	19.7
	Receiving	5.7	5.1	5.9
	Theft	267.6	286.1	286.0
Dishonesty		496.5	516.9	538.8

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Property Damage	Destruction Of Property	114.1	124.4	145.0
	Endangering	0.4	0.4	0.5
Property Damage		114.5	124.8	145.6

Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Property Abuse	Animals	0.7	0.6	0.7
	Arms Act Offences	6.5	7.1	7.7
	Littering	0.4	0.4	0.8
	Postal/rail/fire Service Abuses	8.6	7.2	7.6
	Trespass	19.4	18.6	19.2
Property Abuse		35.5	33.9	36.0

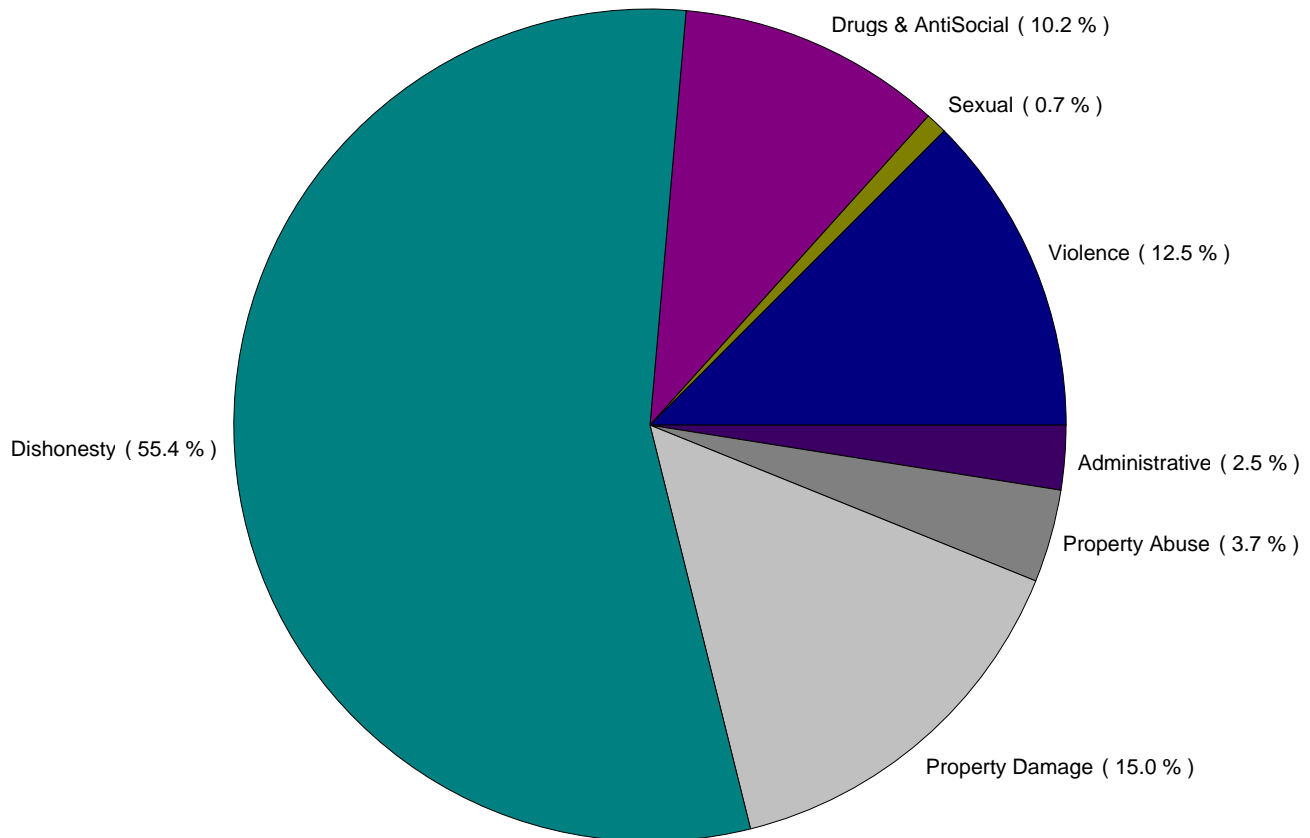
Offence Category	Offence Class	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2004	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006
Administrative	Against Justice	18.3	14.3	17.6
	Against National Interest	0.1	0.0	
	Births, Deaths And Marriages		0.0	
	By Law Breaches	6.4	3.5	6.7
	Immigration	0.1	0.1	0.0
	Justice (Special)		0.3	0.3
Administrative		24.9	18.2	24.6

TOTAL		881.6	903.9	971.7
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PROPORTION OF RECORDED CRIME BY CATEGORY
Years ending 31 December

Offence Category Description	Proportions Recorded 2004	Recorded 2004	Proportions Recorded 2005	Recorded 2005	Proportions Recorded 2006	Recorded 2006
Violence	12.1 %	3,635	12.5 %	3,840	12.5 %	4,122
Sexual	0.8 %	239	0.8 %	243	0.7 %	224
Drugs & AntiSocial	11.0 %	3,299	9.9 %	3,056	10.2 %	3,360
Dishonesty	56.3 %	16,949	57.2 %	17,576	55.4 %	18,307
Property Damage	13.0 %	3,909	13.8 %	4,244	15.0 %	4,946
Property Abuse	4.0 %	1,213	3.8 %	1,154	3.7 %	1,222
Administrative	2.8 %	850	2.0 %	618	2.5 %	837
Total:	100.0 %	30,094	100.00 %	30,731	100.0 %	33,018

TOTAL DISTRICT CRIME BY CATEGORY FOR 2006
(ending 31 December)



SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	6,135	6,111	7,095	-0.4 %	16.1 %	3,338	3,077	3,574	54.4 %	50.4 %	50.4 %
Palmerston North City	9,223	10,098	10,201	9.5 %	1.0 %	3,780	3,750	3,870	41.0 %	37.1 %	37.9 %
Palmerston North Rural	5,866	5,961	6,477	1.6 %	8.7 %	2,734	2,511	2,609	46.6 %	42.1 %	40.3 %
Ruapehu	1,379	1,318	1,241	-4.4 %	-5.8 %	760	720	749	55.1 %	54.6 %	60.4 %
Taranaki Rural	2,567	2,541	2,750	-1.0 %	8.2 %	1,391	1,301	1,406	54.2 %	51.2 %	51.1 %
Wanganui	4,924	4,702	5,254	-4.5 %	11.7 %	2,450	2,196	2,614	49.8 %	46.7 %	49.8 %
Total:	30,094	30,731	33,018	2.1 %	7.4 %	14,453	13,555	14,822	48.0 %	44.1 %	44.9 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

VIOLENCE

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	831	890	929	7.1 %	4.4 %	705	740	770	84.8 %	83.1 %	82.9 %
Palmerston North City	808	940	1,046	16.3 %	11.3 %	684	772	842	84.7 %	82.1 %	80.5 %
Palmerston North Rural	727	729	803	0.3 %	10.2 %	641	643	678	88.2 %	88.2 %	84.4 %
Ruapehu	204	186	182	-8.8 %	-2.2 %	195	180	178	95.6 %	96.8 %	97.8 %
Taranaki Rural	372	357	375	-4.0 %	5.0 %	359	330	345	96.5 %	92.4 %	92.0 %
Wanganui	693	738	787	6.5 %	6.6 %	627	673	719	90.5 %	91.2 %	91.4 %
Total:	3,635	3,840	4,122	5.6 %	7.3 %	3,211	3,338	3,532	88.3 %	86.9 %	85.7 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

SEXUAL

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	49	75	57	53.1 %	-24.0 %	20	46	42	40.8 %	61.3 %	73.7 %
Palmerston North City	62	55	59	-11.3 %	7.3 %	44	39	35	71.0 %	70.9 %	59.3 %
Palmerston North Rural	53	44	37	-17.0 %	-15.9 %	28	28	17	52.8 %	63.6 %	45.9 %
Ruapehu	12	10	3	-16.7 %	-70.0 %	10	7	2	83.3 %	70.0 %	66.7 %
Taranaki Rural	27	33	24	22.2 %	-27.3 %	18	25	14	66.7 %	75.8 %	58.3 %
Wanganui	36	26	44	-27.8 %	69.2 %	23	12	34	63.9 %	46.2 %	77.3 %
Total:	239	243	224	1.7 %	-7.8 %	143	157	144	59.8 %	64.6 %	64.3 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

DRUGS & ANTISOCIAL

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	923	929	1,158	0.7 %	24.7 %	876	890	1,086	94.9 %	95.8 %	93.8 %
Palmerston North City	868	768	726	-11.5 %	-5.5 %	834	729	695	96.1 %	94.9 %	95.7 %
Palmerston North Rural	505	450	554	-10.9 %	23.1 %	479	419	517	94.9 %	93.1 %	93.3 %
Ruapehu	166	166	178	0.0 %	7.2 %	159	163	175	95.8 %	98.2 %	98.3 %
Taranaki Rural	337	324	243	-3.9 %	-25.0 %	327	312	235	97.0 %	96.3 %	96.7 %
Wanganui	500	419	501	-16.2 %	19.6 %	477	400	487	95.4 %	95.5 %	97.2 %
Total:	3,299	3,056	3,360	-7.4 %	9.9 %	3,152	2,913	3,195	95.5 %	95.3 %	95.1 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

DISHONESTY

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	3,128	2,938	3,288	-6.1 %	11.9 %	1,164	899	976	37.2 %	30.6 %	29.7 %
Palmerston North City	5,737	6,557	6,286	14.3 %	-4.1 %	1,360	1,419	1,342	23.7 %	21.6 %	21.3 %
Palmerston North Rural	3,317	3,435	3,766	3.6 %	9.6 %	996	911	889	30.0 %	26.5 %	23.6 %
Ruapehu	729	677	604	-7.1 %	-10.8 %	241	198	214	33.1 %	29.2 %	35.4 %
Taranaki Rural	1,275	1,308	1,386	2.6 %	6.0 %	381	392	470	29.9 %	30.0 %	33.9 %
Wanganui	2,763	2,661	2,977	-3.7 %	11.9 %	865	701	896	31.3 %	26.3 %	30.1 %
Total:	16,949	17,576	18,307	3.7 %	4.2 %	5,007	4,520	4,787	29.5 %	25.7 %	26.1 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	853	928	1,216	8.8 %	31.0 %	290	247	370	34.0 %	26.6 %	30.4 %
Palmerston North City	1,035	1,189	1,352	14.9 %	13.7 %	239	277	298	23.1 %	23.3 %	22.0 %
Palmerston North Rural	872	941	984	7.9 %	4.6 %	255	220	230	29.2 %	23.4 %	23.4 %
Ruapehu	173	184	165	6.4 %	-10.3 %	69	81	79	39.9 %	44.0 %	47.9 %
Taranaki Rural	342	392	545	14.6 %	39.0 %	123	133	184	36.0 %	33.9 %	33.8 %
Wanganui	634	610	684	-3.8 %	12.1 %	201	193	244	31.7 %	31.6 %	35.7 %
Total:	3,909	4,244	4,946	8.6 %	16.5 %	1,177	1,151	1,405	30.1 %	27.1 %	28.4 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

PROPERTY ABUSE

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	275	272	269	-1.1 %	-1.1 %	216	191	196	78.5 %	70.2 %	72.9 %
Palmerston North City	290	304	357	4.8 %	17.4 %	236	241	288	81.4 %	79.3 %	80.7 %
Palmerston North Rural	242	252	235	4.1 %	-6.7 %	193	189	187	79.8 %	75.0 %	79.6 %
Ruapehu	67	66	66	-1.5 %	0.0 %	60	62	58	89.6 %	93.9 %	87.9 %
Taranaki Rural	110	85	116	-22.7 %	36.5 %	92	70	100	83.6 %	82.4 %	86.2 %
Wanganui	229	175	179	-23.6 %	2.3 %	193	147	161	84.3 %	84.0 %	89.9 %
Total:	1,213	1,154	1,222	-4.9 %	5.9 %	990	900	990	81.6 %	78.0 %	81.0 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

ADMINISTRATIVE

Area Description	Recorded 2004	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Variance 04-05	Variance 05-06	Resolved 2004	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2004	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006
New Plymouth	76	79	178	3.9 %	125.3 %	67	64	134	88.2 %	81.0 %	75.3 %
Palmerston North City	423	285	375	-32.6 %	31.6 %	383	273	370	90.5 %	95.8 %	98.7 %
Palmerston North Rural	150	110	98	-26.7 %	-10.9 %	142	101	91	94.7 %	91.8 %	92.9 %
Ruapehu	28	29	43	3.6 %	48.3 %	26	29	43	92.9 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Taranaki Rural	104	42	61	-59.6 %	45.2 %	91	39	58	87.5 %	92.9 %	95.1 %
Wanganui	69	73	82	5.8 %	12.3 %	64	70	73	92.8 %	95.9 %	89.0 %
Total:	850	618	837	-27.3 %	35.4 %	773	576	769	90.9 %	93.2 %	91.9 %

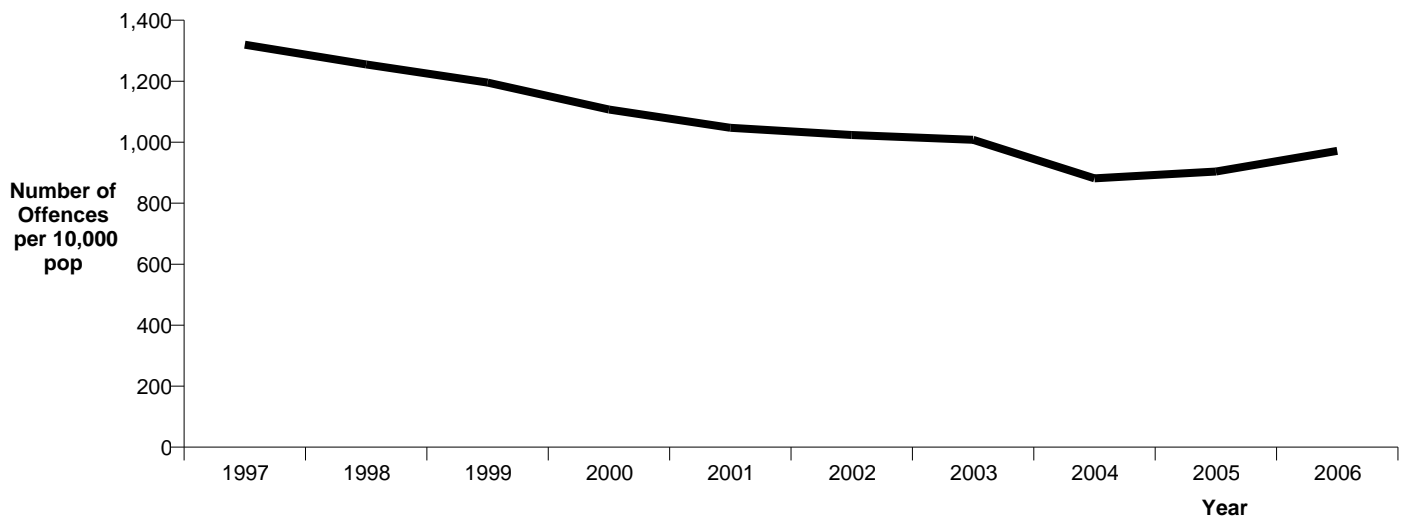
RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES

Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME

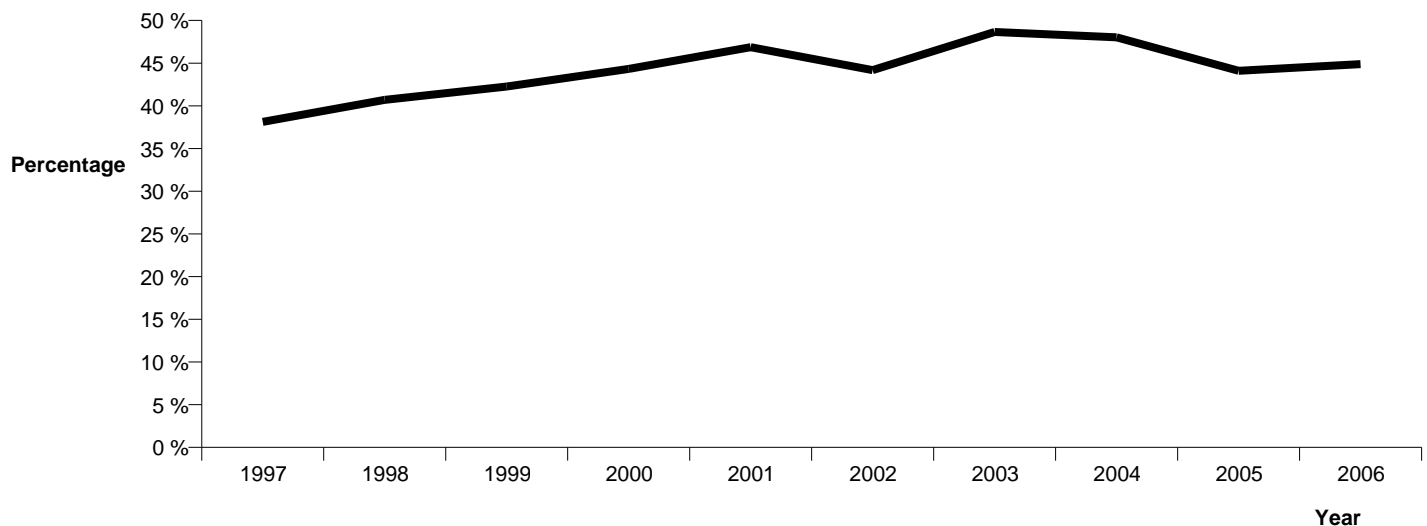
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	46,300		1,319.6		17,647	38.1 %	
1998	43,804	-5.4 %	1,254.8	-4.9 %	17,830	40.7 %	2.6 %
1999	41,479	-5.3 %	1,195.4	-4.7 %	17,528	42.3 %	1.6 %
2000	38,210	-7.9 %	1,107.2	-7.4 %	16,938	44.3 %	2.1 %
2001	35,812	-6.3 %	1,047.5	-5.4 %	16,782	46.9 %	2.5 %
2002	34,934	-2.5 %	1,023.6	-2.3 %	15,433	44.2 %	-2.7 %
2003	34,452	-1.4 %	1,007.8	-1.5 %	16,758	48.6 %	4.5 %
2004	30,094	-12.6 %	881.6	-12.5 %	14,453	48.0 %	-0.6 %
2005	30,731	2.1 %	903.9	2.5 %	13,555	44.1 %	-3.9 %
2006	33,018	7.4 %	971.7	7.5 %	14,822	44.9 %	0.8 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



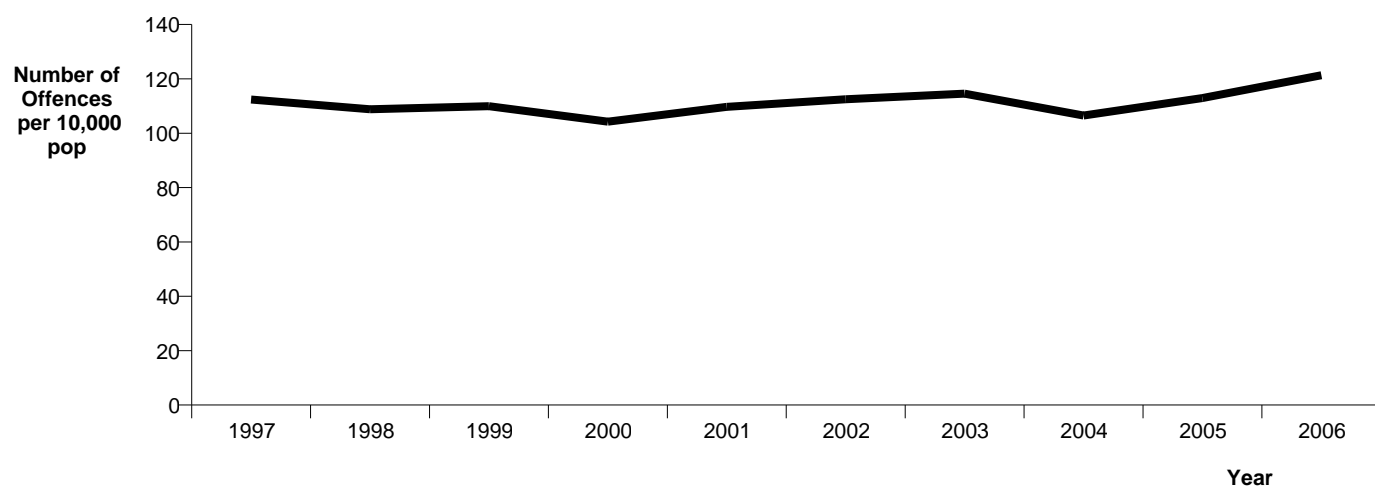
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Years ending 31 December

VIOLENCE

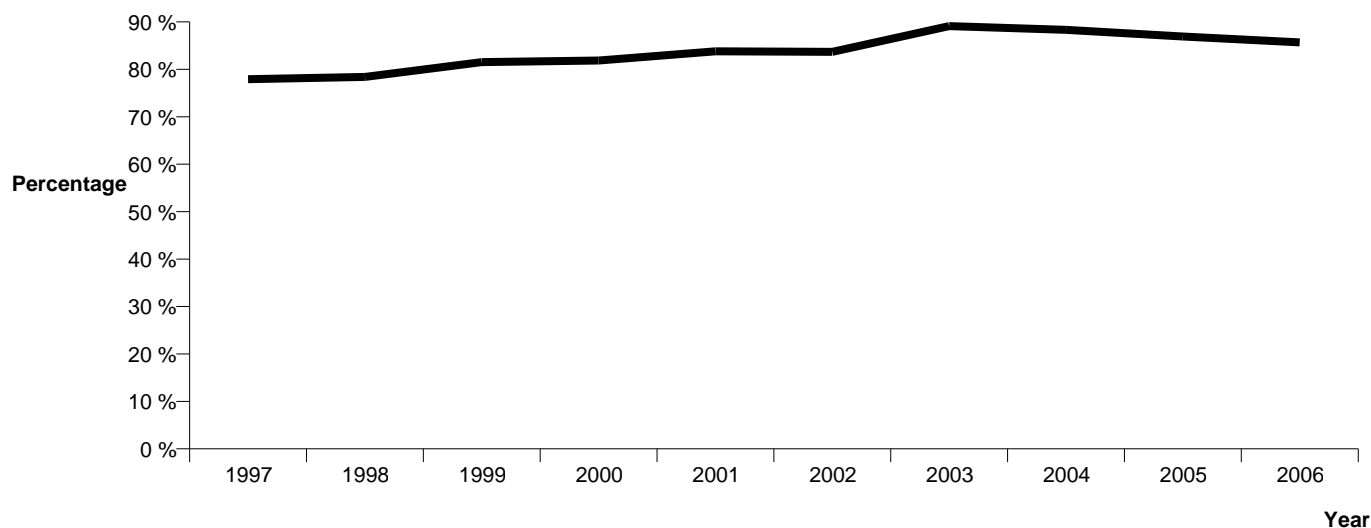
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	3,943		112.4		3,072	77.9 %	
1998	3,798	-3.7 %	108.8	-3.2 %	2,978	78.4 %	0.5 %
1999	3,815	0.4 %	109.9	1.1 %	3,110	81.5 %	3.1 %
2000	3,598	-5.7 %	104.3	-5.2 %	2,945	81.9 %	0.3 %
2001	3,750	4.2 %	109.7	5.2 %	3,142	83.8 %	1.9 %
2002	3,839	2.4 %	112.5	2.6 %	3,213	83.7 %	-0.1 %
2003	3,917	2.0 %	114.6	1.9 %	3,491	89.1 %	5.4 %
2004	3,635	-7.2 %	106.5	-7.1 %	3,211	88.3 %	-0.8 %
2005	3,840	5.6 %	112.9	6.1 %	3,338	86.9 %	-1.4 %
2006	4,122	7.3 %	121.3	7.4 %	3,532	85.7 %	-1.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



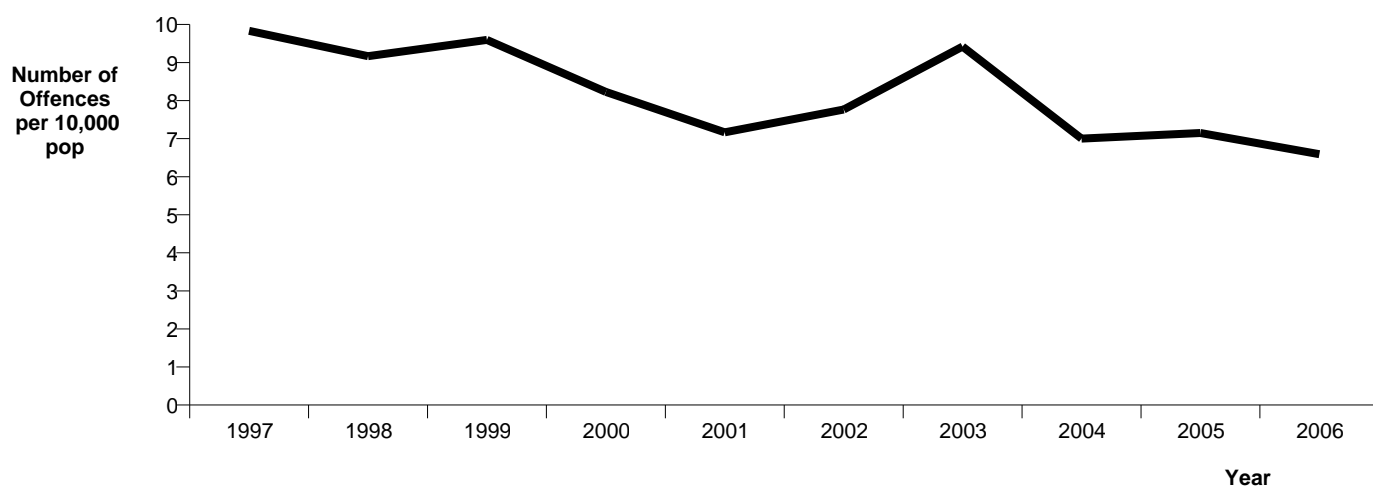
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SEXUAL

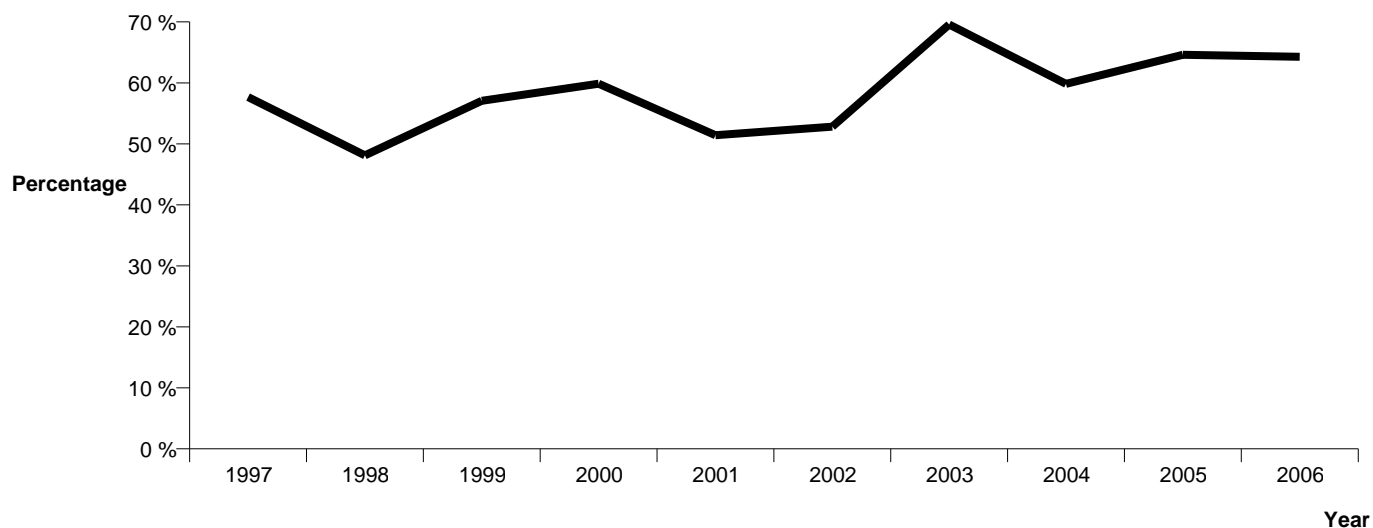
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1997	345		9.8		199	57.7 %	
1998	320	-7.2 %	9.2	-6.8 %	154	48.1 %	-9.6 %
1999	333	4.1 %	9.6	4.7 %	190	57.1 %	8.9 %
2000	284	-14.7 %	8.2	-14.2 %	170	59.9 %	2.8 %
2001	245	-13.7 %	7.2	-12.9 %	126	51.4 %	-8.4 %
2002	265	8.2 %	7.8	8.4 %	140	52.8 %	1.4 %
2003	322	21.5 %	9.4	21.3 %	224	69.6 %	16.7 %
2004	239	-25.8 %	7.0	-25.7 %	143	59.8 %	-9.7 %
2005	243	1.7 %	7.1	2.1 %	157	64.6 %	4.8 %
2006	224	-7.8 %	6.6	-7.8 %	144	64.3 %	-0.3 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



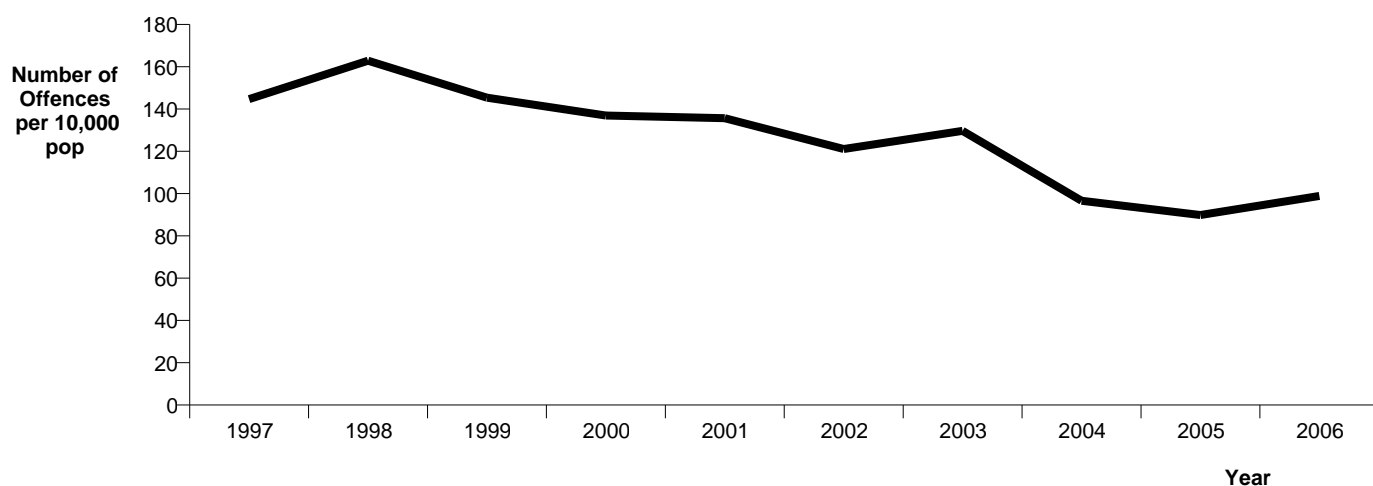
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DRUGS & ANTISOCIAL

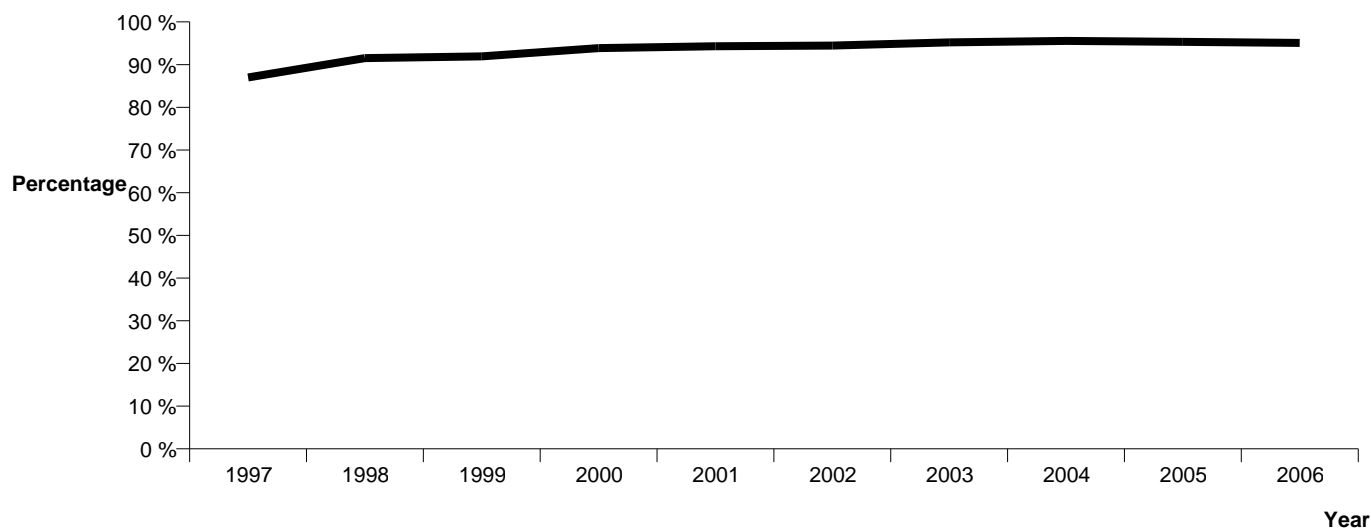
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	5,076		144.7		4,415	87.0 %	
1998	5,686	12.0 %	162.9	12.6 %	5,204	91.5 %	4.5 %
1999	5,045	-11.3 %	145.4	-10.7 %	4,637	91.9 %	0.4 %
2000	4,725	-6.3 %	136.9	-5.8 %	4,435	93.9 %	1.9 %
2001	4,639	-1.8 %	135.7	-0.9 %	4,375	94.3 %	0.4 %
2002	4,134	-10.9 %	121.1	-10.7 %	3,905	94.5 %	0.2 %
2003	4,433	7.2 %	129.7	7.1 %	4,221	95.2 %	0.8 %
2004	3,299	-25.6 %	96.6	-25.5 %	3,152	95.5 %	0.3 %
2005	3,056	-7.4 %	89.9	-7.0 %	2,913	95.3 %	-0.2 %
2006	3,360	9.9 %	98.9	10.0 %	3,195	95.1 %	-0.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



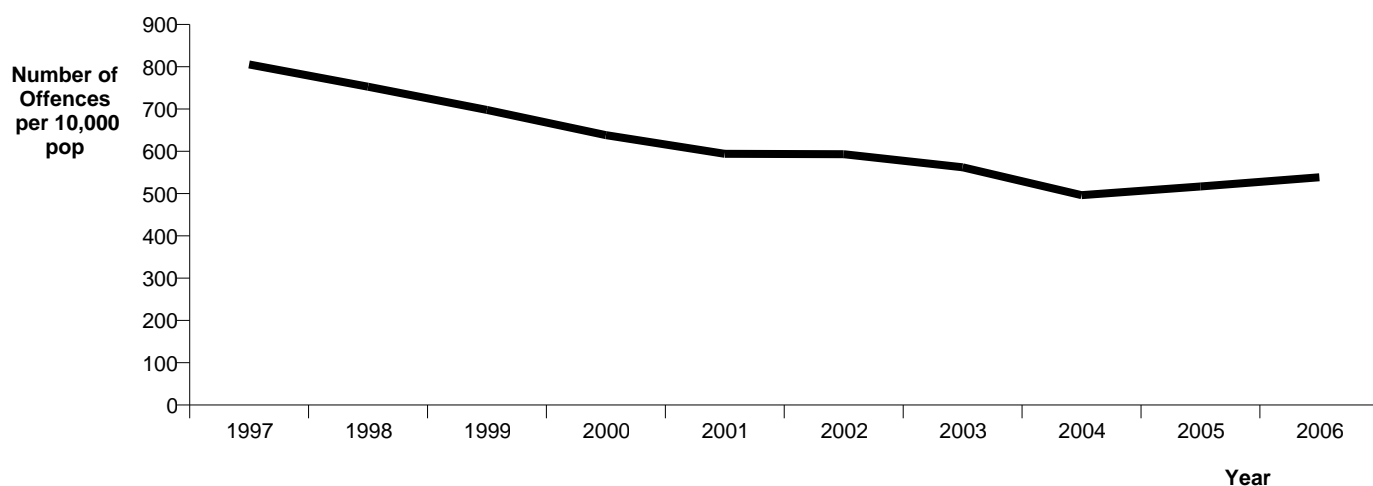
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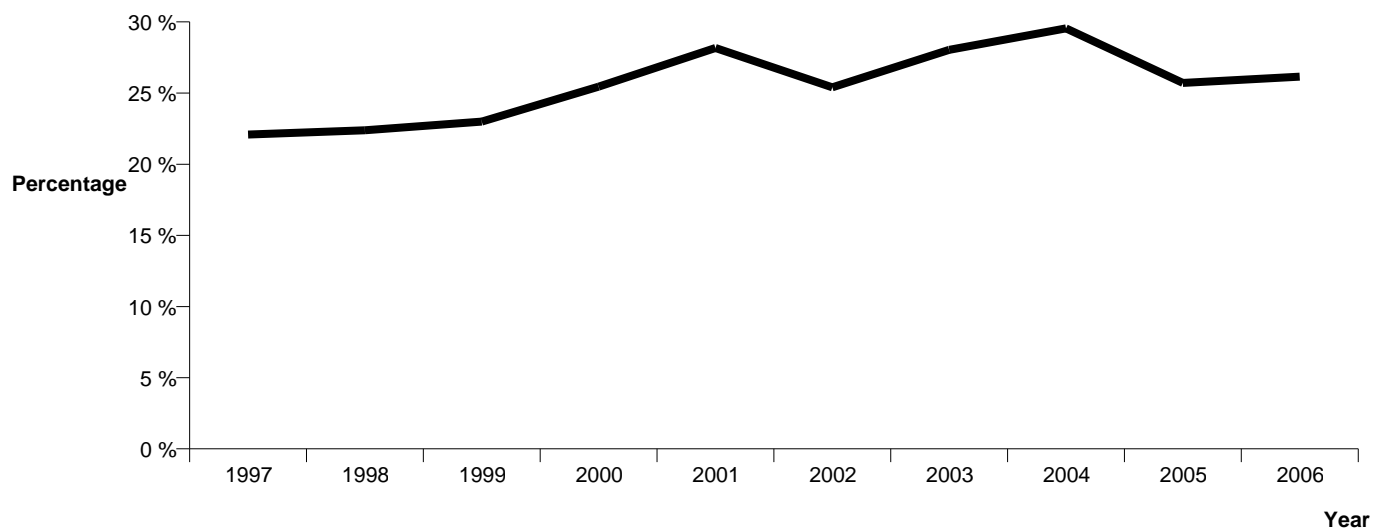
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	28,264		805.6		6,242	22.1 %	
1998	26,285	-7.0 %	753.0	-6.5 %	5,885	22.4 %	0.3 %
1999	24,219	-7.9 %	698.0	-7.3 %	5,568	23.0 %	0.6 %
2000	22,025	-9.1 %	638.2	-8.6 %	5,605	25.4 %	2.5 %
2001	20,318	-7.8 %	594.3	-6.9 %	5,724	28.2 %	2.7 %
2002	20,250	-0.3 %	593.3	-0.2 %	5,144	25.4 %	-2.8 %
2003	19,222	-5.1 %	562.3	-5.2 %	5,389	28.0 %	2.6 %
2004	16,949	-11.8 %	496.5	-11.7 %	5,007	29.5 %	1.5 %
2005	17,576	3.7 %	516.9	4.1 %	4,520	25.7 %	-3.8 %
2006	18,307	4.2 %	538.8	4.2 %	4,787	26.1 %	0.4 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



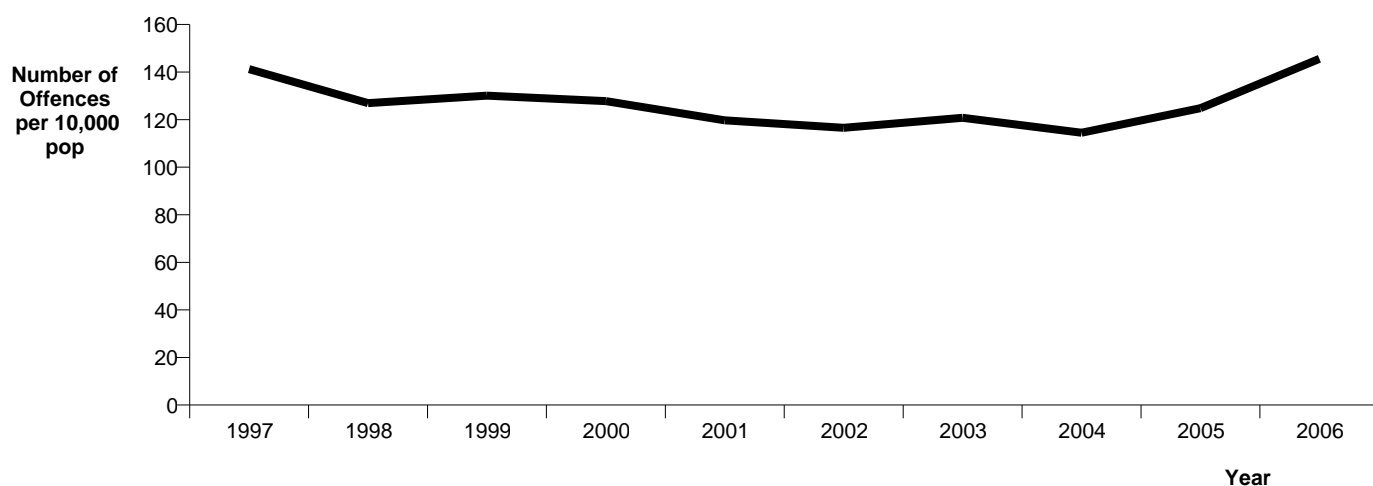
RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES BY CATEGORY

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PROPERTY DAMAGE

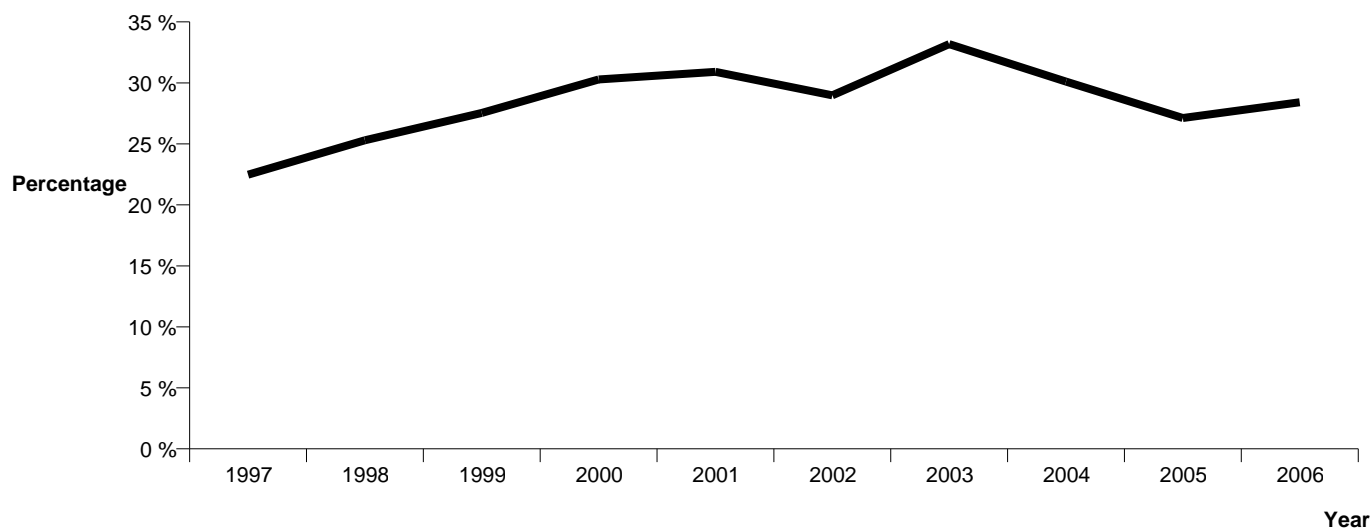
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	4,956		141.3		1,114	22.5 %	
1998	4,431	-10.6 %	126.9	-10.1 %	1,121	25.3 %	2.8 %
1999	4,513	1.9 %	130.1	2.5 %	1,243	27.5 %	2.2 %
2000	4,409	-2.3 %	127.8	-1.8 %	1,335	30.3 %	2.7 %
2001	4,093	-7.2 %	119.7	-6.3 %	1,265	30.9 %	0.6 %
2002	3,979	-2.8 %	116.6	-2.6 %	1,153	29.0 %	-1.9 %
2003	4,129	3.8 %	120.8	3.6 %	1,370	33.2 %	4.2 %
2004	3,909	-5.3 %	114.5	-5.2 %	1,177	30.1 %	-3.1 %
2005	4,244	8.6 %	124.8	9.0 %	1,151	27.1 %	-3.0 %
2006	4,946	16.5 %	145.6	16.6 %	1,405	28.4 %	1.3 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



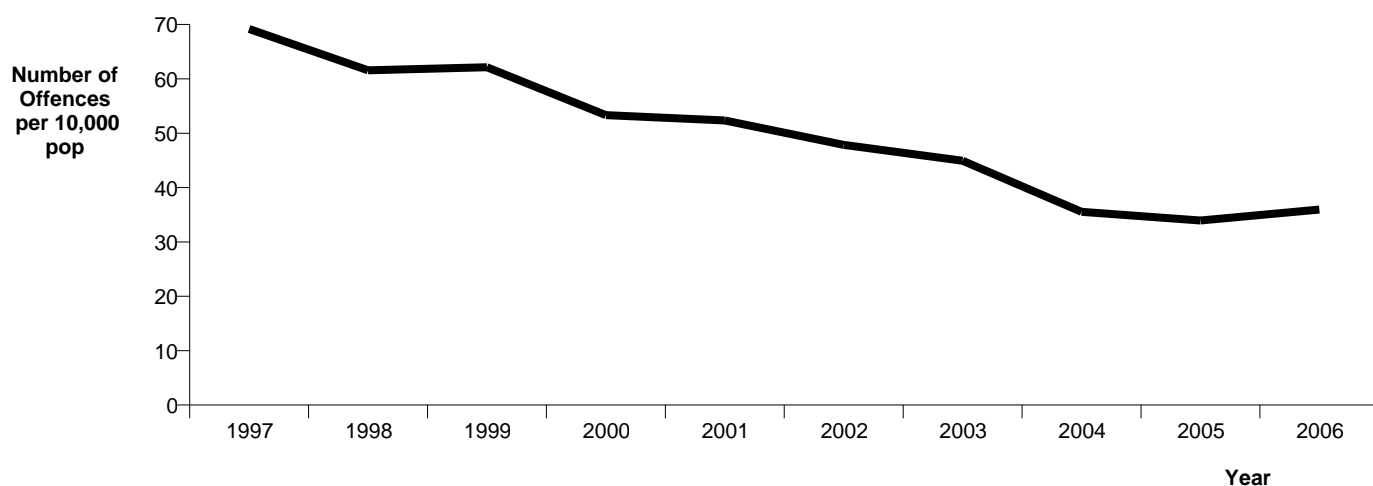
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PROPERTY ABUSE

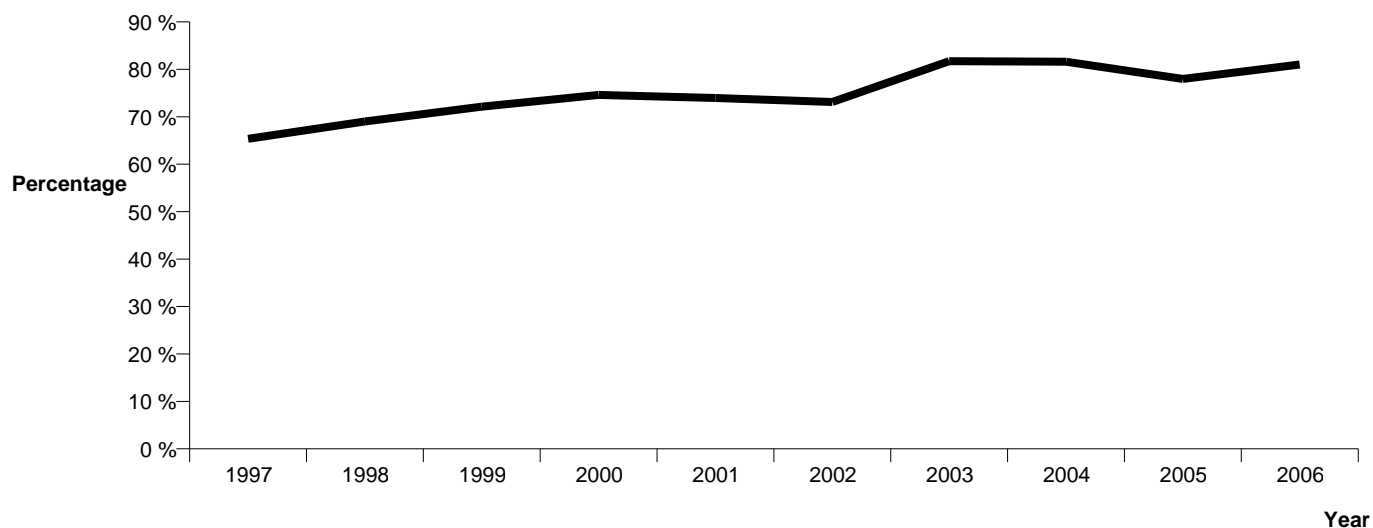
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	2,427		69.2		1,586	65.3 %	
1998	2,149	-11.5 %	61.6	-11.0 %	1,483	69.0 %	3.7 %
1999	2,156	0.3 %	62.1	0.9 %	1,555	72.1 %	3.1 %
2000	1,840	-14.7 %	53.3	-14.2 %	1,373	74.6 %	2.5 %
2001	1,790	-2.7 %	52.4	-1.8 %	1,324	74.0 %	-0.7 %
2002	1,633	-8.8 %	47.8	-8.6 %	1,194	73.1 %	-0.8 %
2003	1,536	-5.9 %	44.9	-6.1 %	1,255	81.7 %	8.6 %
2004	1,213	-21.0 %	35.5	-20.9 %	990	81.6 %	-0.1 %
2005	1,154	-4.9 %	33.9	-4.5 %	900	78.0 %	-3.6 %
2006	1,222	5.9 %	36.0	6.0 %	990	81.0 %	3.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



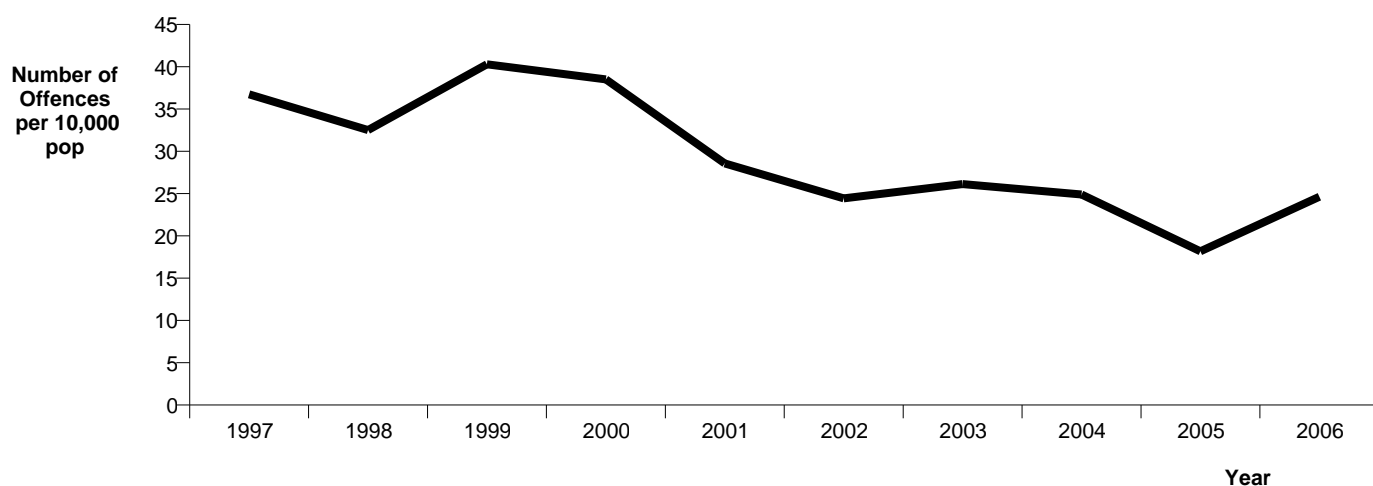
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ADMINISTRATIVE

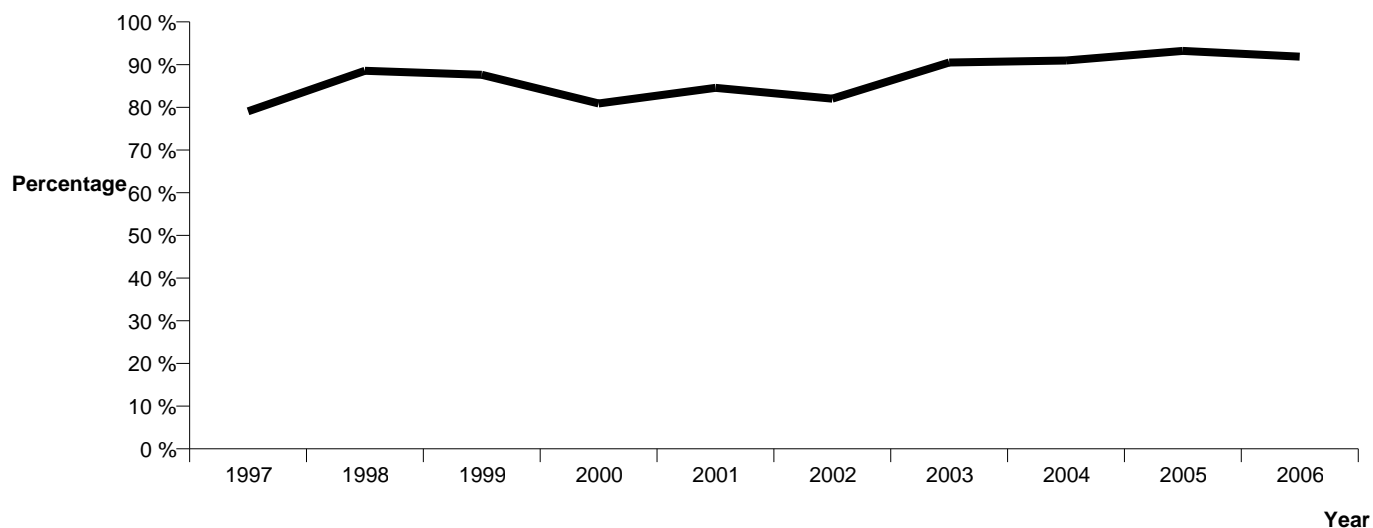
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	1,289		36.7		1,019	79.1 %	
1998	1,135	-11.9 %	32.5	-11.5 %	1,005	88.5 %	9.5 %
1999	1,398	23.2 %	40.3	23.9 %	1,225	87.6 %	-0.9 %
2000	1,329	-4.9 %	38.5	-4.4 %	1,075	80.9 %	-6.7 %
2001	977	-26.5 %	28.6	-25.8 %	826	84.5 %	3.7 %
2002	834	-14.6 %	24.4	-14.5 %	684	82.0 %	-2.5 %
2003	893	7.1 %	26.1	6.9 %	808	90.5 %	8.5 %
2004	850	-4.8 %	24.9	-4.7 %	773	90.9 %	0.5 %
2005	618	-27.3 %	18.2	-27.0 %	576	93.2 %	2.3 %
2006	837	35.4 %	24.6	35.5 %	769	91.9 %	-1.3 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



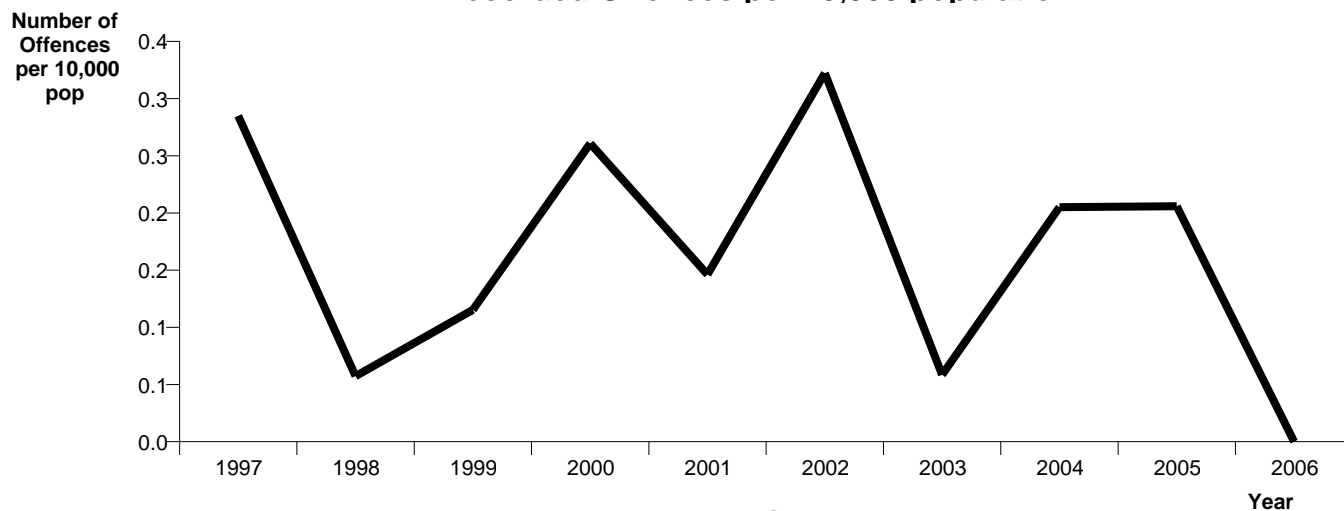
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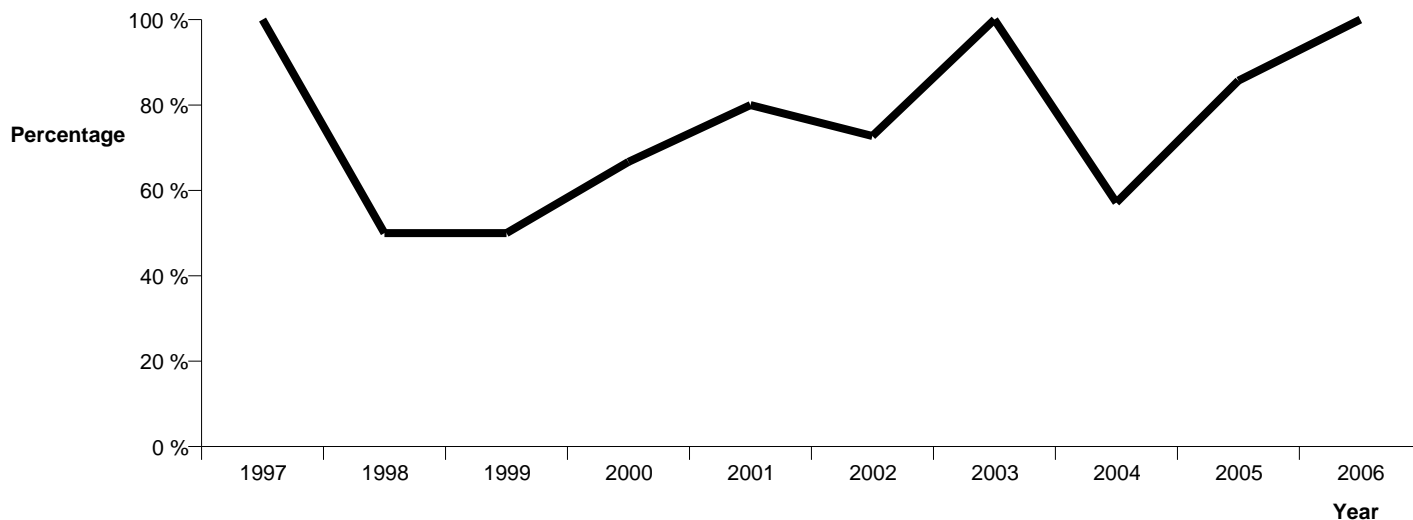
MURDER *

Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	10		0.3		10	100.0 %	
1998	2	-80.0 %	0.1	-79.9 %	1	50.0 %	-50.0 %
1999	4	100.0 %	0.1	101.2 %	2	50.0 %	0.0 %
2000	9	125.0 %	0.3	126.2 %	6	66.7 %	16.7 %
2001	5	-44.4 %	0.1	-43.9 %	4	80.0 %	13.3 %
2002	11	120.0 %	0.3	120.4 %	8	72.7 %	-7.3 %
2003	2	-81.8 %	0.1	-81.8 %	2	100.0 %	27.3 %
2004	7	250.0 %	0.2	250.5 %	4	57.1 %	-42.9 %
2005	7	0.0 %	0.2	0.4 %	6	85.7 %	28.6 %
2006	0	-100.0 %	0.0	-100.0 %	0	100.0 %	14.3 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate
(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



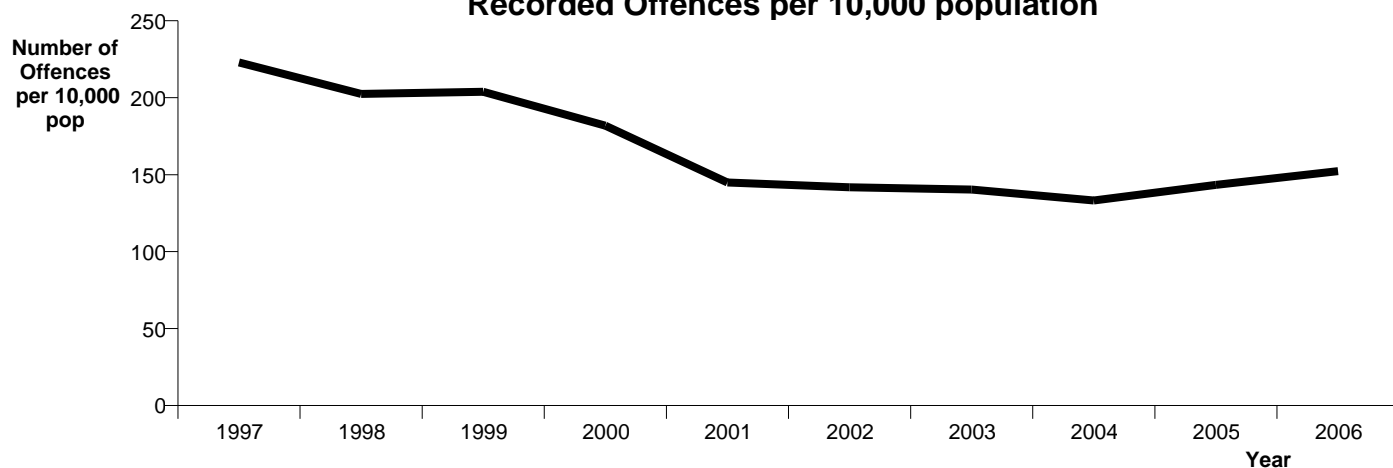
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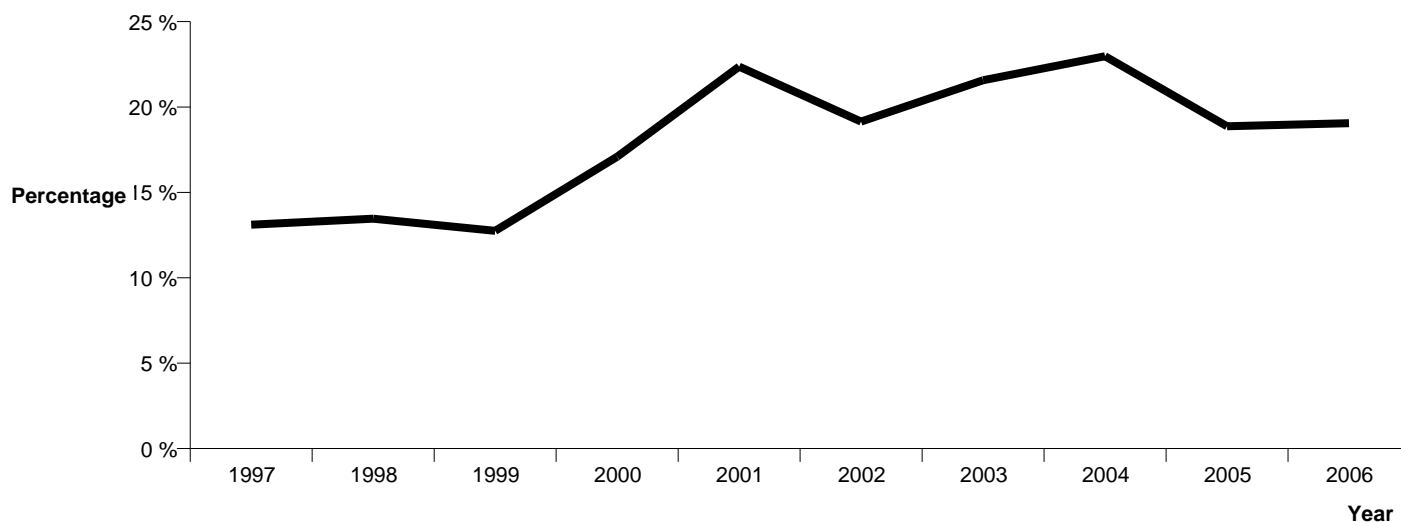
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1997	7,821		222.9		1,025	13.1 %	
1998	7,067	-9.6 %	202.4	-9.2 %	951	13.5 %	0.4 %
1999	7,074	0.1 %	203.9	0.7 %	902	12.8 %	-0.7 %
2000	6,276	-11.3 %	181.9	-10.8 %	1,072	17.1 %	4.3 %
2001	4,955	-21.0 %	144.9	-20.3 %	1,108	22.4 %	5.3 %
2002	4,841	-2.3 %	141.8	-2.1 %	927	19.1 %	-3.2 %
2003	4,799	-0.9 %	140.4	-1.0 %	1,035	21.6 %	2.4 %
2004	4,548	-5.2 %	133.2	-5.1 %	1,045	23.0 %	1.4 %
2005	4,874	7.2 %	143.4	7.6 %	920	18.9 %	-4.1 %
2006	5,175	6.2 %	152.3	6.2 %	986	19.1 %	0.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



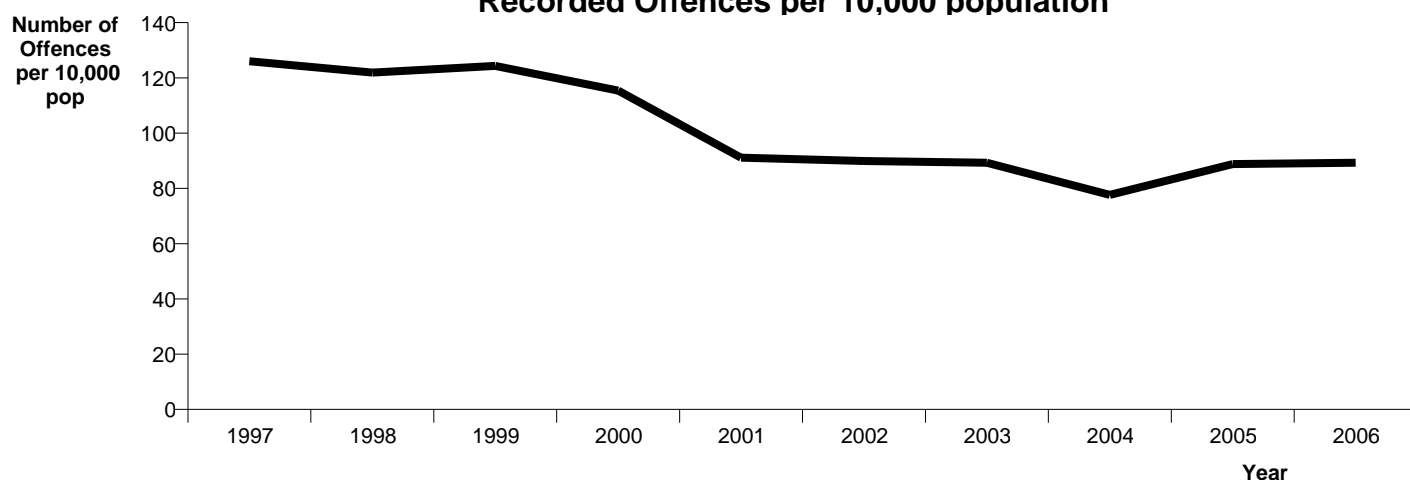
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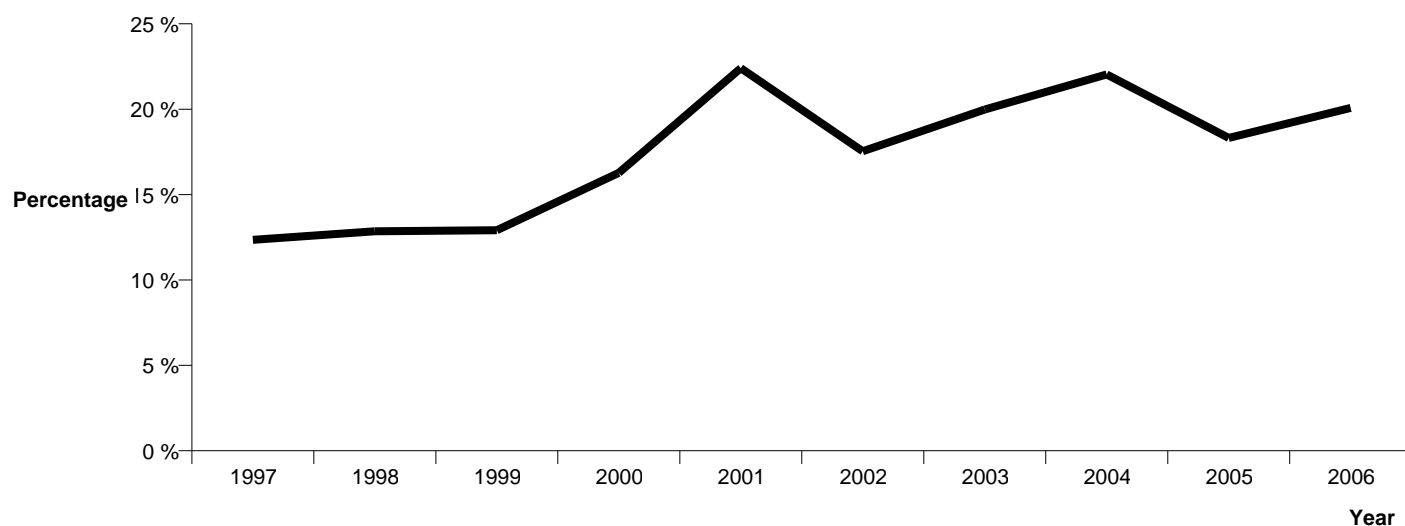
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1997	4,421		126.0		546	12.4 %	
1998	4,256	-3.7 %	121.9	-3.2 %	547	12.9 %	0.5 %
1999	4,314	1.4 %	124.3	2.0 %	557	12.9 %	0.1 %
2000	3,983	-7.7 %	115.4	-7.2 %	648	16.3 %	3.4 %
2001	3,116	-21.8 %	91.1	-21.0 %	698	22.4 %	6.1 %
2002	3,068	-1.5 %	89.9	-1.4 %	538	17.5 %	-4.9 %
2003	3,053	-0.5 %	89.3	-0.7 %	610	20.0 %	2.4 %
2004	2,650	-13.2 %	77.6	-13.1 %	584	22.0 %	2.1 %
2005	3,019	13.9 %	88.8	14.4 %	553	18.3 %	-3.7 %
2006	3,033	0.5 %	89.3	0.5 %	609	20.1 %	1.8 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

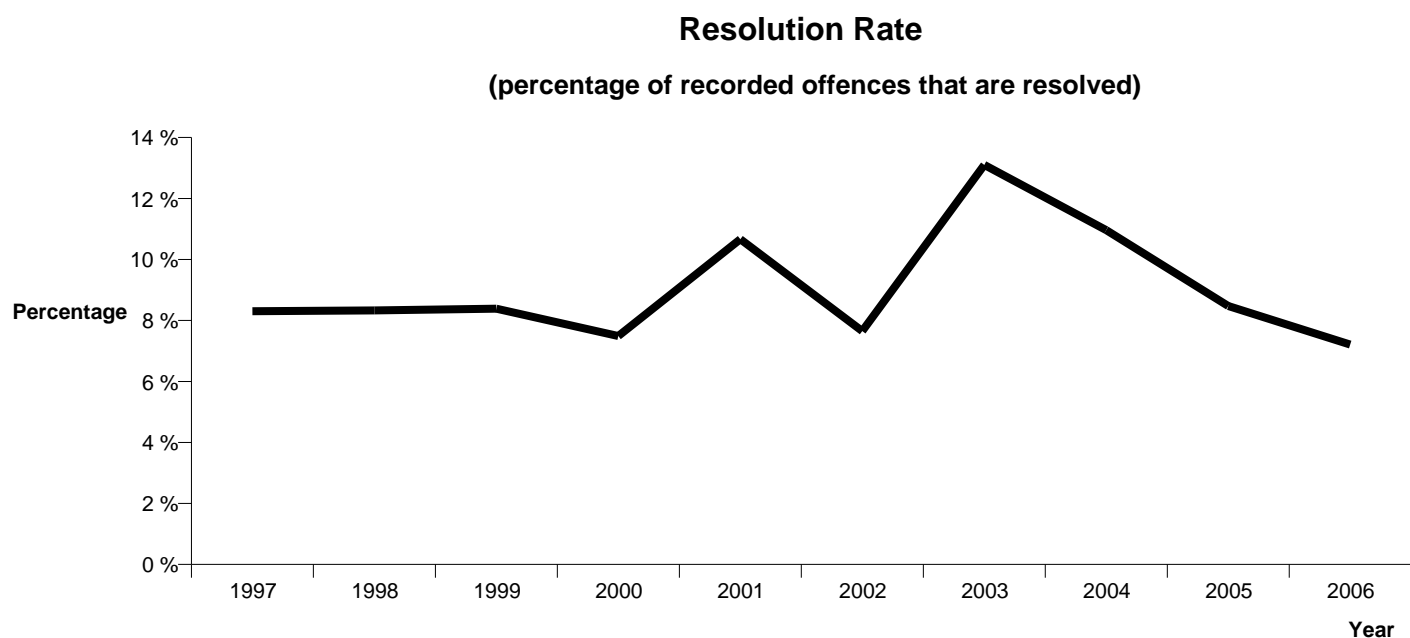
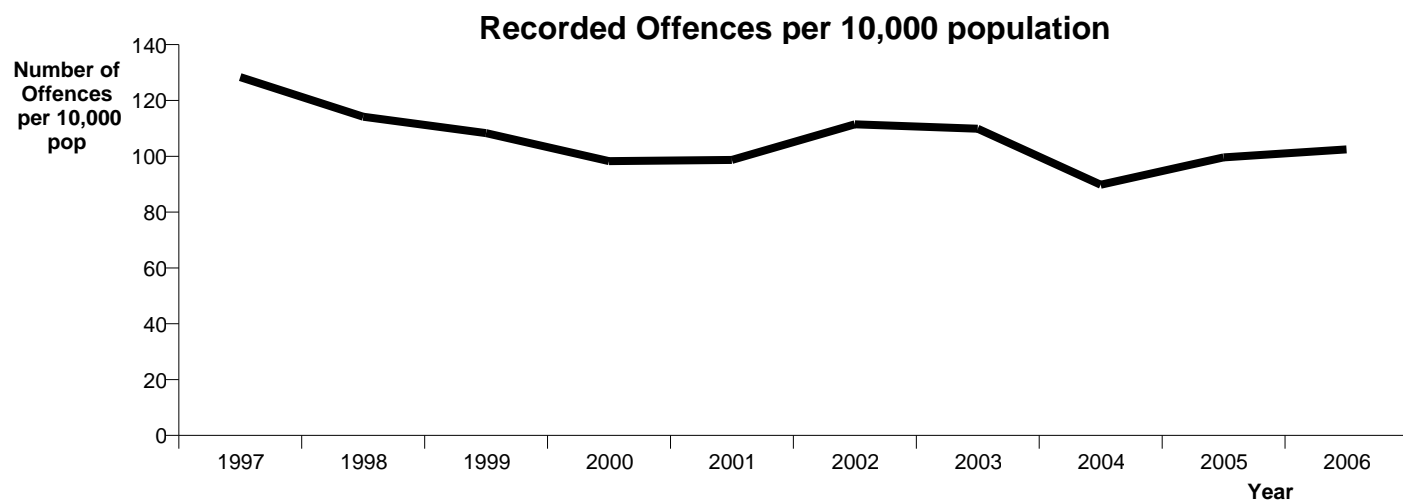
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Years ending 31 December**

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Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	4,504		128.4		374	8.3 %	
1998	3,986	-11.5 %	114.2	-11.1 %	332	8.3 %	0.0 %
1999	3,757	-5.7 %	108.3	-5.2 %	315	8.4 %	0.1 %
2000	3,391	-9.7 %	98.3	-9.2 %	254	7.5 %	-0.9 %
2001	3,375	-0.5 %	98.7	0.5 %	360	10.7 %	3.2 %
2002	3,803	12.7 %	111.4	12.9 %	291	7.7 %	-3.0 %
2003	3,756	-1.2 %	109.9	-1.4 %	492	13.1 %	5.4 %
2004	3,065	-18.4 %	89.8	-18.3 %	336	11.0 %	-2.1 %
2005	3,386	10.5 %	99.6	10.9 %	287	8.5 %	-2.5 %
2006	3,481	2.8 %	102.4	2.9 %	251	7.2 %	-1.3 %

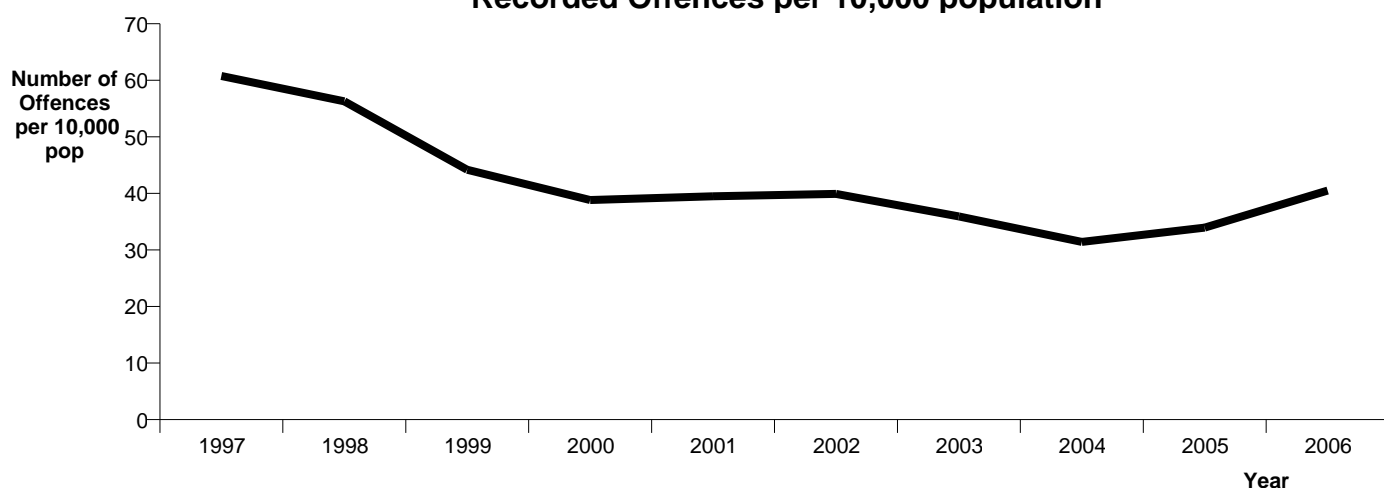


**RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES
FOR SELECTED OFFENCES
Years ending 31 December**

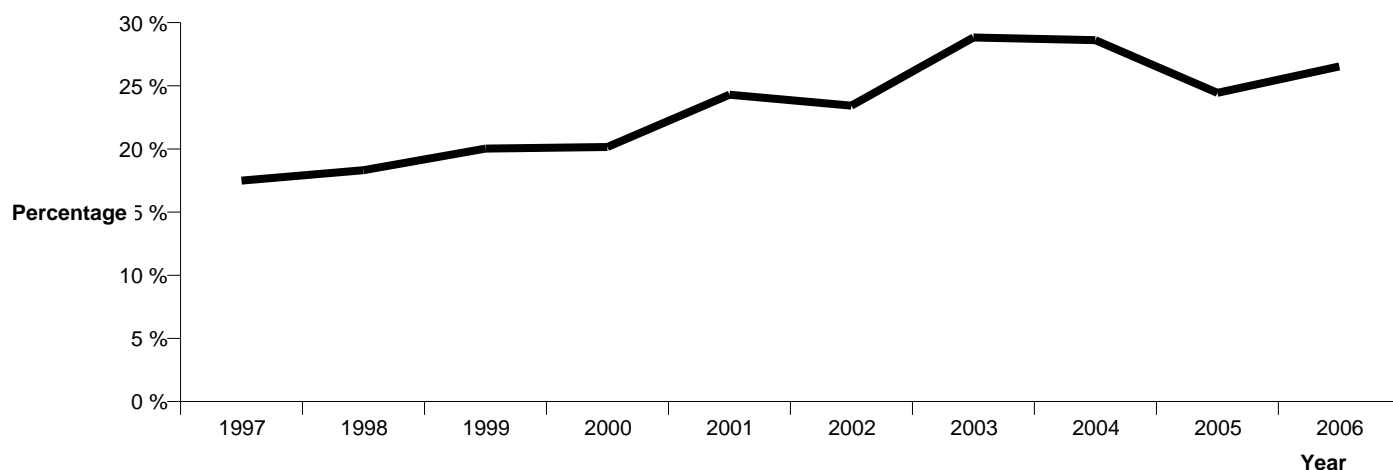
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Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1997	2,132		60.8		373	17.5 %	
1998	1,965	-7.8 %	56.3	-7.4 %	360	18.3 %	0.8 %
1999	1,533	-22.0 %	44.2	-21.5 %	307	20.0 %	1.7 %
2000	1,340	-12.6 %	38.8	-12.1 %	270	20.1 %	0.1 %
2001	1,350	0.7 %	39.5	1.7 %	328	24.3 %	4.1 %
2002	1,362	0.9 %	39.9	1.1 %	319	23.4 %	-0.9 %
2003	1,228	-9.8 %	35.9	-10.0 %	354	28.8 %	5.4 %
2004	1,073	-12.6 %	31.4	-12.5 %	307	28.6 %	-0.2 %
2005	1,154	7.5 %	33.9	8.0 %	282	24.4 %	-4.2 %
2006	1,376	19.2 %	40.5	19.3 %	365	26.5 %	2.1 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



**Resolution Rate
(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)**



Population Data

Population data is used in this release to calculate crime rates. These data are estimated population figures as at 30 June each year obtained from Statistics New Zealand.

The estimated resident population is based on the census usually resident population count, with adjustments for residents missed or counted more than once by the census (net census undercount), and for residents temporarily overseas on census night.

These population estimates exclude an increasing number of international students who are studying in New Zealand for less than 12 months.

Note that 2006 estimates are based on 2001 Census data, as 2006 Census data was not available at time of publication.

Year	Population
1997	350,860
1998	349,090
1999	346,990
2000	345,090
2001	341,890
2002	341,290
2003	341,870
2004	341,350
2005	340,000
2006	339,780