# NEW ZEALAND CRIME STATISTICS 2010



# A Summary of Recorded and Resolved Offence Statistics

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#### **REPORT NOTES:**

This report presents official statistics for recorded and resolved offences. The format has been revised significantly from that used in previous years. In particular, offences are grouped into different categories than previously used. This aligns with direction given by the Justice Sector Information Strategy for the whole Justice sector to categorise offences according to the Australian Standard Offence Classification (ASOC). This change does not change the total number of offences reported, just how they are grouped.

In making this change, New Zealand Police has taken the first step towards reporting crime in a way that is comparable with Australia. However, at this stage, important differences still exist that mean statistics are not yet comparable between the two countries. For example, Australian statistics only count the most serious offence on each file, whereas New Zealand reports every offence. Also, Australian statistics count victims, whereas New Zealand Statistics count offences.

Another important change in this report is that pages 11 to 20, which present long-term trends, have been completely revised. The time series has been extend from 10 to 15 years to give a longer history. Also, the measures reported include a number of the statistical indicators that Police recently began publishing provisional data on every month.

As in previous reports, statistics reported in this document are dervied from the Police National Intelligence Application (NIA). These Official Statistics for Recorded and Resolved Offences present a snapshot of data in NIA relating to offences that occur within a given year, as at the date 14 days following the end of that year.

Unless the matter is minor where Police attendance is sufficient, a matter that is reported to or discovered by Police where Police believe an offence is likely to have been committed is counted as a recorded offence.

A recorded offence is counted as resolved when Police apprehend an offender and decide how to deal with him/her. (E.g. warn, prosecute, etc.)

Resolution rate is the percentage of recorded offences that are resolved within 14 days of the end of the year being reported on.

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).

When comparing 2010 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 NATIONAL RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

### **HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
ATTEMPTED MURDER	35	30	19	-14.3 %	-36.7 %	35	29	18	100.0 %	96.7 %	94.7 %
HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	1	2	1	100.0 %	-50.0 %	0	1	0	0.0 %	50.0 %	0.0 %
MANSLAUGHTER AND DRIVING CAUSING DEATH	14	30	31	114.3 %	3.3 %	14	28	30	100.0 %	93.3 %	96.8 %
MURDER	52	65	46	25.0 %	-29.2 %	50	62	43	96.2 %	95.4 %	93.5 %
	102	127	97	24.5 %	-23.6 %	99	120	91	97.1 %	94.5 %	93.8 %

### **ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010		Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	
ASSAULT	41,982	45,335	44,465	8.0 %	-1.9 %	35,314	38,273	37,117	84.1 %	84.4 %	83.5 %
OTHER ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY	53	40	50	-24.5 %	25.0 %	41	30	38	77.4 %	75.0 %	76.0 %
	42,035	45,375	44,515	7.9 %	-1.9 %	35,355	38,303	37,155	84.1 %	84.4 %	83.5 %

### **SEXUAL ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010		Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
NON-ASSAULTIVE SEXUAL OFFENCES	63	86	103	36.5 %	19.8 %	39	61	71	61.9 %	70.9 %	68.9 %
SEXUAL ASSAULT	2,732	2,826	2,913	3.4 %	3.1 %	1,752	1,767	1,605	64.1 %	62.5 %	55.1 %
	2,795	2,912	3,016	4.2 %	3.6 %	1,791	1,828	1,676	64.1 %	62.8 %	55.6 %

### **DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009			Resolved 2009			Resolution Rate 2009	
OTHER DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS	785	749	859	-4.6 %	14.7 %	545	546	603	69.4 %	72.9 %	70.2 %
	785	749	859	-4.6 %	14.7 %	545	546	603	69.4 %	72.9 %	70.2 %

## ABDUCTION, HARASSMENT AND OTHER RELATED OFFENCES AGAINST A PERSON

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	
ABDUCTION AND KIDNAPPING	342	302	229	-11.7 %	-24.2 %	255	233	153	74.6 %	77.2 %	66.8 %
DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY/FALSE IMPRISONMENT	0	0	0			0	0				
HARASSMENT AND THREATENING BEHAVIOUR	12,377	14,171	13,928	14.5 %	-1.7 %	8,708	10,086	9,840	70.4 %	71.2 %	70.6 %
	12,719	14,473	14,157	13.8 %	-2.2 %	8,963	10,319	9,993	70.5 %	71.3 %	70.6 %

### **ROBBERY, EXTORTION AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010		Variance 2009- 2010		Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	
BLACKMAIL AND EXTORTION	169	163	149	-3.6 %	-8.6 %	100	83	88	59.2 %	50.9 %	59.1 %
ROBBERY	2,657	2,665	2,492	0.3 %	-6.5 %	1,198	1,150	1,000	45.1 %	43.2 %	40.1 %
	2,826	2,828	2,641	0.1 %	-6.6 %	1,298	1,233	1,088	45.9 %	43.6 %	41.2 %

## UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009		Variance 2008- 2009			Resolved 2009			Resolution Rate 2009	
UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER	59,326	61,405	59,323	3.5 %	-3.4 %	9,770	9,575	8,649	16.5 %	15.6 %	14.6 %
	59,326	61,405	59,323	3.5 %	-3.4 %	9,770	9,575	8,649	16.5 %	15.6 %	14.6 %

# SUMMARY OF NATIONAL RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

## THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008		Resolution Rate 2010
ILLEGAL USE OF PROPERTY (EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES)	4,541	4,584	4,126	0.9 %	-10.0 %	299	315	237	6.6 %	6.9 %	5.7 %
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES	63,117	64,644	58,660	2.4 %	-9.3 %	7,731	7,531	6,795	12.2 %	11.6 %	11.6 %
RECEIVE OR HANDLE PROCEEDS OF CRIME	3,202	3,223	3,011	0.7 %	-6.6 %	3,126	3,145	2,952	97.6 %	97.6 %	98.0 %
THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0	0	0			0	0				
THEFT (EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES)	69,998	72,329	71,135	3.3 %	-1.7 %	22,967	24,072	23,031	32.8 %	33.3 %	32.4 %
	140,858	144,780	136,932	2.8 %	-5.4 %	34,123	35,063	33,015	24.2 %	24.2 %	24.1 %

### FRAUD, DECEPTION AND RELATED OFFENCES

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
DECEPTIVE BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT PRACTICES	59	35	39	-40.7 %	11.4 %	42	23	25	71.2 %	65.7 %	64.1 %
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	633	604	593	-4.6 %	-1.8 %	369	359	300	58.3 %	59.4 %	50.6 %
OBTAIN BENEFIT BY DECEPTION	13,103	11,997	8,460	-8.4 %	-29.5 %	6,458	6,013	4,872	49.3 %	50.1 %	57.6 %
OTHER FRAUD AND DECEPTION OFFENCES	809	678	634	-16.2 %	-6.5 %	428	317	348	52.9 %	46.8 %	54.9 %
	14,604	13,314	9,726	-8.8 %	-26.9 %	7,297	6,712	5,545	50.0 %	50.4 %	57.0 %

## **ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
DEAL OR TRAFFIC IN ILLICIT DRUGS	2,983	3,678	3,175	23.3 %	-13.7 %	2,862	3,548	3,060	95.9 %	96.5 %	96.4 %
IMPORT OR EXPORT ILLICIT DRUGS	146	168	123	15.1 %	-26.8 %	132	159	104	90.4 %	94.6 %	84.6 %
MANUFACTURE OR CULTIVATE ILLICIT DRUGS	2,343	3,446	3,475	47.1 %	0.8 %	1,941	2,455	2,387	82.8 %	71.2 %	68.7 %
OTHER ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES	5,670	6,556	6,010	15.6 %	-8.3 %	5,547	6,447	5,893	97.8 %	98.3 %	98.1 %
POSSESS AND/OR USE ILLICIT DRUGS	9,489	11,076	10,212	16.7 %	-7.8 %	9,137	10,736	9,827	96.3 %	96.9 %	96.2 %
	20,631	24,924	22,995	20.8 %	-7.7 %	19,619	23,345	21,271	95.1 %	93.7 %	92.5 %

## PROHIBITED AND REGULATED WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009			Resolved 2009			Resolution Rate 2009	
REGULATED WEAPONS/EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES	7,291	7,763	7,074	6.5 %	-8.9 %	6,600	7,176	6,479	90.5 %	92.4 %	91.6 %
	7,291	7,763	7,074	6.5 %	-8.9 %	6,600	7,176	6,479	90.5 %	92.4 %	91.6 %

## PROPERTY DAMAGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010		Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010		Resolution Rate 2009	
ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION	357	261	182	-26.9 %	-30.3 %	237	182	121	66.4 %	69.7 %	66.5 %
PROPERTY DAMAGE	61,402	62,375	58,301	1.6 %	-6.5 %	17,461	17,878	17,070	28.4 %	28.7 %	29.3 %
	61,759	62,636	58,483	1.4 %	-6.6 %	17,698	18,060	17,191	28.7 %	28.8 %	29.4 %

# **PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	29,910	31,673	31,529	5.9 %	-0.5 %	25,299	27,401	27,564	84.6 %	86.5 %	87.4 %
OFFENSIVE CONDUCT	1,685	1,862	1,871	10.5 %	0.5 %	1,276	1,409	1,397	75.7 %	75.7 %	74.7 %
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	3	3	6	0.0 %	100.0 %	1	2	5	33.3 %	66.7 %	83.3 %
REGULATED PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	11,383	13,407	12,699	17.8 %	-5.3 %	10,922	12,842	12,045	96.0 %	95.8 %	94.8 %
	42,981	46,945	46,105	9.2 %	-1.8 %	37,498	41,654	41,011	87.2 %	88.7 %	89.0 %

# SUMMARY OF NATIONAL RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

## OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVERNMENT SECURITY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
BREACH OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORDER	7,929	7,582	5,951	-4.4 %	-21.5 %	7,218	7,306	5,679	91.0 %	96.4 %	95.4 %
BREACH OF CUSTODIAL ORDER OFFENCES	728	673	636	-7.6 %	-5.5 %	653	618	578	89.7 %	91.8 %	90.9 %
BREACH OF VIOLENCE AND NON-VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS	4,967	5,333	5,385	7.4 %	1.0 %	4,455	4,803	4,743	89.7 %	90.1 %	88.1 %
OFFENCES AGAINST GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS	496	371	380	-25.2 %	2.4 %	365	235	243	73.6 %	63.3 %	63.9 %
OFFENCES AGAINST GOVERNMENT SECURITY	10	3	6	-70.0 %	100.0 %	5	1	4	50.0 %	33.3 %	66.7 %
OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES	6,932	7,810	6,710	12.7 %	-14.1 %	6,801	7,671	6,593	98.1 %	98.2 %	98.3 %
OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVERNMENT SECURITY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS NOT FURTHER DEFINED	13	17	15	30.8 %	-11.8 %	9	14	9	69.2 %	82.4 %	60.0 %
	21,075	21,789	19,083	3.4 %	-12.4 %	19,506	20,648	17,849	92.6 %	94.8 %	93.5 %

## **MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRY/FINANCIAL REGULATION	28	30	52	7.1 %	73.3 %	25	26	49	89.3 %	86.7 %	94.2 %
DEFAMATION, LIBEL AND PRIVACY OFFENCES	53	66	58	24.5 %	-12.1 %	19	33	26	35.8 %	50.0 %	44.8 %
MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0	0	4			0	0	3			75.0 %
OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES	1,404	1,132	1,095	-19.4 %	-3.3 %	1,127	854	769	80.3 %	75.4 %	70.2 %
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFENCES	111	157	130	41.4 %	-17.2 %	86	123	82	77.5 %	78.3 %	63.1 %
	1,596	1,385	1,339	-13.2 %	-3.3 %	1,257	1,036	929	78.8 %	74.8 %	69.4 %

TOTAL	431,383	451,405	426,345	4.6 %	-5.6 %	201,419	215,618	202,545	46.7 %	47.8 %	47.5 %
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# SUMMARY OF NATIONAL RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY DISTRICT years ending 31 December

## **TOTAL CRIME**

District Description	Recorded 2008	Recorded 2009	Recorded 2010	Variance 2008- 2009	Variance 2009- 2010	Resolved 2008	Resolved 2009	Resolved 2010	Resolution Rate 2008	Resolution Rate 2009	Resolution Rate 2010
Northland	15,875	17,153	16,994	8.1 %	-0.9 %	9,022	9,715	9,092	56.8 %	56.6 %	53.5 %
Waitemata	39,763	40,835	36,392	2.7 %	-10.9 %	20,856	21,668	17,948	52.5 %	53.1 %	49.3 %
Auckland	54,928	56,596	50,991	3.0 %	-9.9 %	21,169	21,455	17,137	38.5 %	37.9 %	33.6 %
Counties/Manukau	51,511	56,041	51,664	8.8 %	-7.8 %	21,106	24,106	26,734	41.0 %	43.0 %	51.7 %
Waikato	32,056	35,384	34,764	10.4 %	-1.8 %	15,747	16,462	14,822	49.1 %	46.5 %	42.6 %
Bay Of Plenty	34,655	39,188	38,701	13.1 %	-1.2 %	18,419	22,777	22,021	53.1 %	58.1 %	56.9 %
Eastern	24,007	25,429	25,566	5.9 %	0.5 %	11,742	13,345	13,202	48.9 %	52.5 %	51.6 %
Central	33,246	32,314	31,084	-2.8 %	-3.8 %	16,301	16,031	15,729	49.0 %	49.6 %	50.6 %
Wellington	47,811	48,079	44,321	0.6 %	-7.8 %	20,937	22,277	19,207	43.8 %	46.3 %	43.3 %
Tasman	17,483	18,804	17,318	7.6 %	-7.9 %	9,796	10,800	9,834	56.0 %	57.4 %	56.8 %
Canterbury	51,341	52,981	52,119	3.2 %	-1.6 %	21,620	22,127	22,393	42.1 %	41.8 %	43.0 %
Southern	28,707	28,601	26,431	-0.4 %	-7.6 %	14,704	14,855	14,426	51.2 %	51.9 %	54.6 %
Total	431,383	451,405	426,345	4.6 %	-5.6 %	201,419	215,618	202,545	46.7 %	47.8 %	47.5 %

# NATIONAL RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

### **HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
ATTEMPTED MURDER	0.08	0.07	0.04
HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0.00	0.00	0.00
MANSLAUGHTER AND DRIVING CAUSING DEATH	0.03	0.07	0.07
MURDER	0.12	0.15	0.11
	0.24	0.29	0.22

#### ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
ASSAULT	98.35	105.04	101.80
OTHER ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY	0.12	0.09	0.11
	98.48	105.13	101.92

#### **SEXUAL ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
NON-ASSAULTIVE SEXUAL OFFENCES	0.15	0.20	0.24
SEXUAL ASSAULT	6.40	6.55	6.67
	6.55	6.75	6.91

#### **DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
OTHER DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS	1.84	1.74	1.97
	1.84	1.74	1.97

### ABDUCTION, HARASSMENT AND OTHER RELATED OFFENCES AGAINST A PERSON

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
ABDUCTION AND KIDNAPPING	0.80	0.70	0.52
DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY/FALSE IMPRISONMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00
HARASSMENT AND THREATENING BEHAVIOUR	29.00	32.83	31.89
	29.80	33.53	32.41

## **ROBBERY, EXTORTION AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
BLACKMAIL AND EXTORTION	0.40	0.38	0.34
ROBBERY	6.22	6.17	5.71
	6.62	6.55	6.05

# NATIONAL RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

### UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER	138.98	142.27	135.82
	138.98	142.27	135.82

### **THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
ILLEGAL USE OF PROPERTY (EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES)	10.64	10.62	9.45
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES	147.87	149.78	134.30
RECEIVE OR HANDLE PROCEEDS OF CRIME	7.50	7.47	6.89
THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0.00	0.00	0.00
THEFT (EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES)	163.99	167.58	162.86
	329.99	335.45	313.50

### FRAUD, DECEPTION AND RELATED OFFENCES

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
DECEPTIVE BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT PRACTICES	0.14	0.08	0.09
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	1.48	1.40	1.36
OBTAIN BENEFIT BY DECEPTION	30.70	27.80	19.37
OTHER FRAUD AND DECEPTION OFFENCES	1.90	1.57	1.45
	34.21	30.85	22.27

## **ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
DEAL OR TRAFFIC IN ILLICIT DRUGS	6.99	8.52	7.27
IMPORT OR EXPORT ILLICIT DRUGS	0.34	0.39	0.28
MANUFACTURE OR CULTIVATE ILLICIT DRUGS	5.49	7.98	7.96
OTHER ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES	13.28	15.19	13.76
POSSESS AND/OR USE ILLICIT DRUGS	22.23	25.66	23.38
	48.33	57.75	52.65

### PROHIBITED AND REGULATED WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
REGULATED WEAPONS/EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES	17.08	17.99	16.20
	17.08	17.99	16.20

# NATIONAL RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY DIVISION Years ending 31 December

## **PROPERTY DAMAGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION	0.84	0.60	0.42
PROPERTY DAMAGE	143.85	144.52	133.48
	144.68	145.13	133.90

### **PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	70.07	73.39	72.19
OFFENSIVE CONDUCT	3.95	4.31	4.28
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0.01	0.01	0.01
REGULATED PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	26.67	31.06	29.07
	100.69	108.77	105.56

### OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVERNMENT SECURITY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
BREACH OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORDER	18.58	17.57	13.62
BREACH OF CUSTODIAL ORDER OFFENCES	1.71	1.56	1.46
BREACH OF VIOLENCE AND NON-VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS	11.64	12.36	12.33
OFFENCES AGAINST GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS	1.16	0.86	0.87
OFFENCES AGAINST GOVERNMENT SECURITY	0.02	0.01	0.01
OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES	16.24	18.10	15.36
OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVERNMENT SECURITY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0.03	0.04	0.03
	49.37	50.48	43.69

### **MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES**

ASOC Subdivision Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRY/FINANCIAL REGULATION	0.07	0.07	0.12
DEFAMATION, LIBEL AND PRIVACY OFFENCES	0.12	0.15	0.13
MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES NOT FURTHER DEFINED	0.00	0.00	0.01
OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES	3.29	2.62	2.51
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFENCES	0.26	0.36	0.30
	3.74	3.21	3.07

TOTAL	1,010.61	1,045.90	976.11

# NATIONAL RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY DISTRICT Years ending 31 December

District Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2008	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2009	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2010	Percent Variance 2008 to 2009	Percent Variance 2009 to 2010
Northland	1,039.8	1,116.3	1,095.1	7.4 %	-1.9 %
Waitemata	760.3	769.3	674.5	1.2 %	-12.3 %
Auckland	1,311.9	1,333.1	1,184.8	1.6 %	-11.1 %
Counties/Manukau	1,045.4	1,117.8	1,012.2	6.9 %	-9.5 %
Waikato	979.1	1,067.9	1,036.3	9.1 %	-3.0 %
Bay Of Plenty	1,060.1	1,190.0	1,163.8	12.2 %	-2.2 %
Eastern	1,209.5	1,274.6	1,270.5	5.4 %	-0.3 %
Central	963.3	931.7	890.6	-3.3 %	-4.4 %
Wellington	1,025.5	1,020.6	931.5	-0.5 %	-8.7 %
Tasman	1,017.2	1,085.6	991.1	6.7 %	-8.7 %
Canterbury	937.9	956.7	930.2	2.0 %	-2.8 %
Southern	962.9	951.8	871.8	-1.2 %	-8.4 %
TOTAL	1,010.6	1,045.9	976.1	3.5 %	-6.7 %

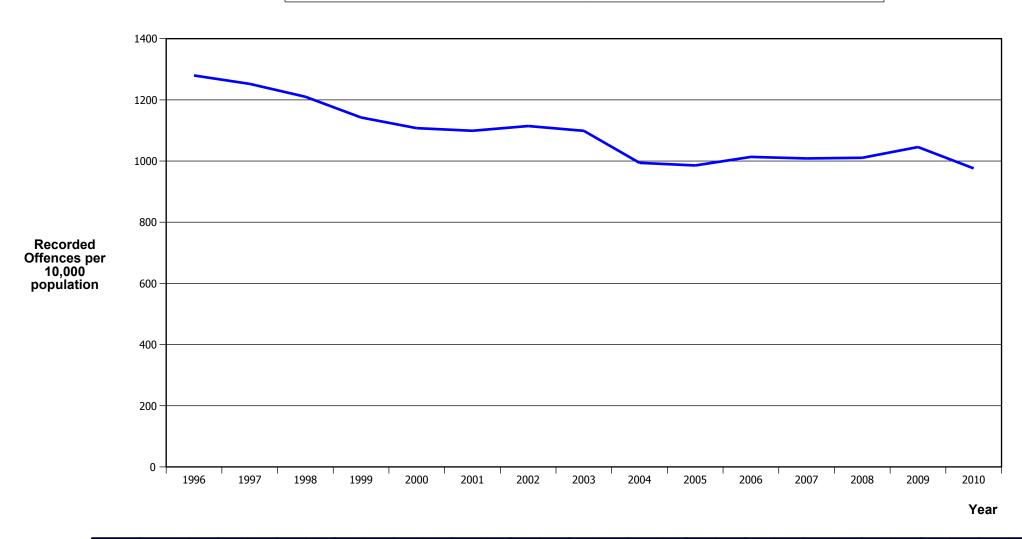
## PROPORTION OF RECORDED CRIME BY DIVISION

Years ending 31 December

ASOC Division Description	Proportions Recorded 2008	Recorded 2008	Proportions Recorded 2009	Recorded 2009	Proportions Recorded 2010	Recorded 2010
HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES	0.02 %	102	0.03 %	127	0.02 %	97
ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY	9.74 %	42,035	10.05 %	45,375	10.44 %	44,515
SEXUAL ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENCES	0.65 %	2,795	0.65 %	2,912	0.71 %	3,016
DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS	0.18 %	785	0.17 %	749	0.20 %	859
ABDUCTION, HARASSMENT AND OTHER RELATED OFFENCES AGAINST A PERSON	2.95 %	12,719	3.21 %	14,473	3.32 %	14,157
ROBBERY, EXTORTION AND RELATED OFFENCES	0.66 %	2,826	0.63 %	2,828	0.62 %	2,641
UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER	13.75 %	59,326	13.60 %	61,405	13.91 %	59,323
THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES	32.65 %	140,858	32.07 %	144,780	32.12 %	136,932
FRAUD, DECEPTION AND RELATED OFFENCES	3.39 %	14,604	2.95 %	13,314	2.28 %	9,726
ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES	4.78 %	20,631	5.52 %	24,924	5.39 %	22,995
PROHIBITED AND REGULATED WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES	1.69 %	7,291	1.72 %	7,763	1.66 %	7,074
PROPERTY DAMAGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION	14.32 %	61,759	13.88 %	62,636	13.72 %	58,483
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	9.96 %	42,981	10.40 %	46,945	10.81 %	46,105
OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVERNMENT SECURITY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS	4.89 %	21,075	4.83 %	21,789	4.48 %	19,083
MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES	0.37 %	1,596	0.31 %	1,385	0.31 %	1,339
	100.00 %	431,383	100.00 %	451,405	100.00 %	426,345

# **CRIME TRENDS**

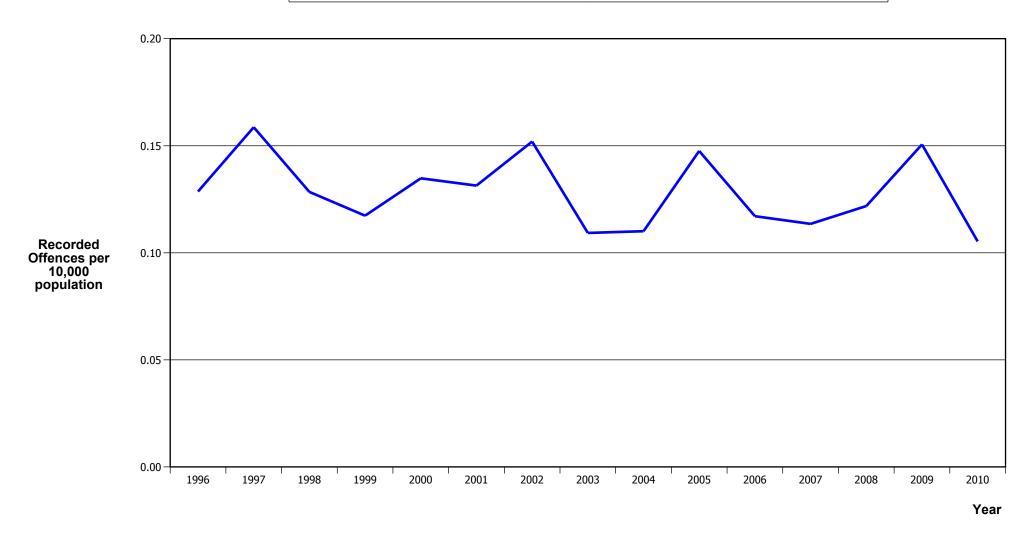
# **TOTAL CRIME**



Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	477,596	473,547	461,677	438,074	427,230	426,526	440,129	442,489	406,363	407,496	424,137	426,384	431,383	451,405	426,345
Recorded per 10,000 Population	1,279.7	1,252.3	1,210.3	1,142.3	1,107.6	1,099.0	1,114.6	1,098.9	994.2	985.7	1,013.6	1,008.4	1,010.6	1,045.9	976.1

<sup>\*</sup>In 20052006 there was a major IT system change (LES to NIA)

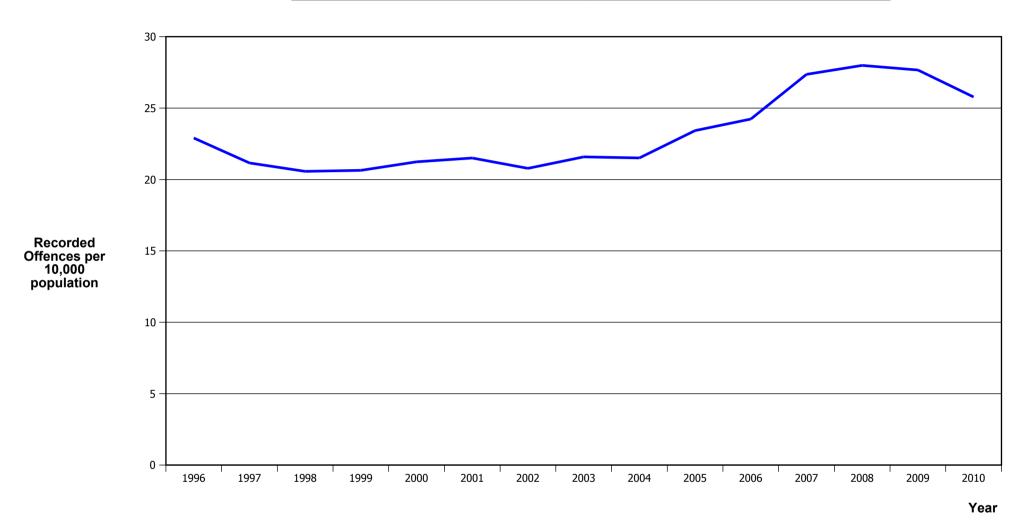
# MURDER



Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	48	60	49	45	52	51	60	44	45	61	49	48	52	65	46
Recorded per 10,000 Population	0.13	0.16	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.15	0.11	0.11	0.15	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.15	0.11

<sup>-</sup> The 2009 result was significantly influenced by an abnormal one-off spike in August 2009, when 13 murders occurred

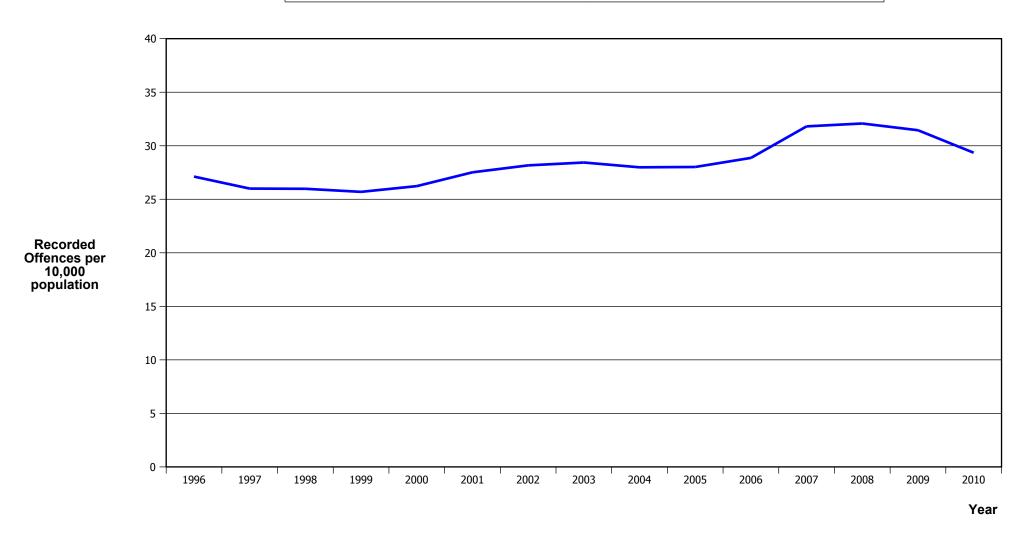
# **SERIOUS ASSAULTS RESULTING IN INJURY\***



Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Physical Injury	8,549	8,001	7,847	7,915	8,192	8,346	8,205	8,692	8,791	9,683	10,140	11,569	11,948	11,941	11,260
Recorded per 10,000 Population	22.9	21.2	20.6	20.6	21.2	21.5	20.8	21.6	21.5	23.4	24.2	27.4	28.0	27.7	25.8

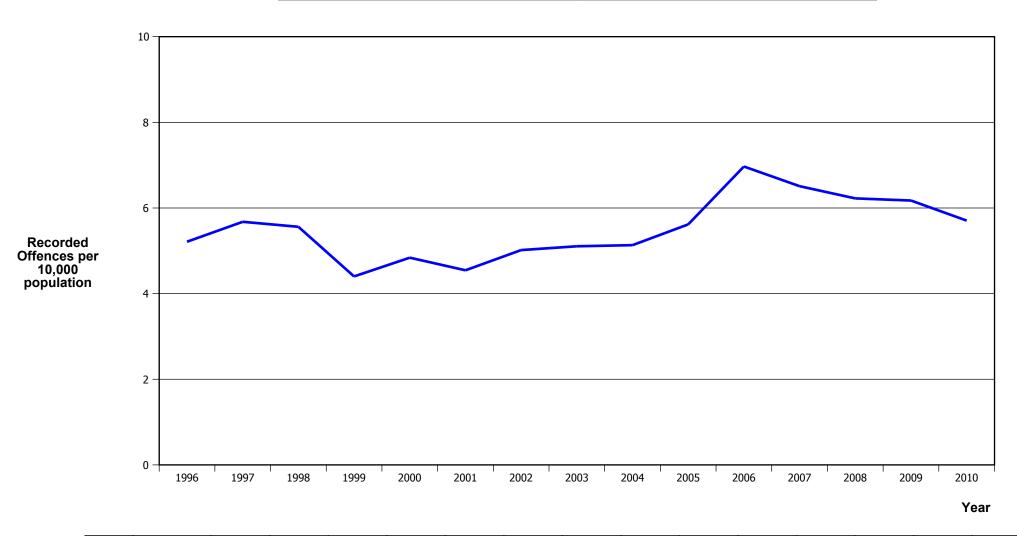
<sup>\*</sup> This measure excludes common assaults

# **PUBLIC PLACE ASSAULTS**



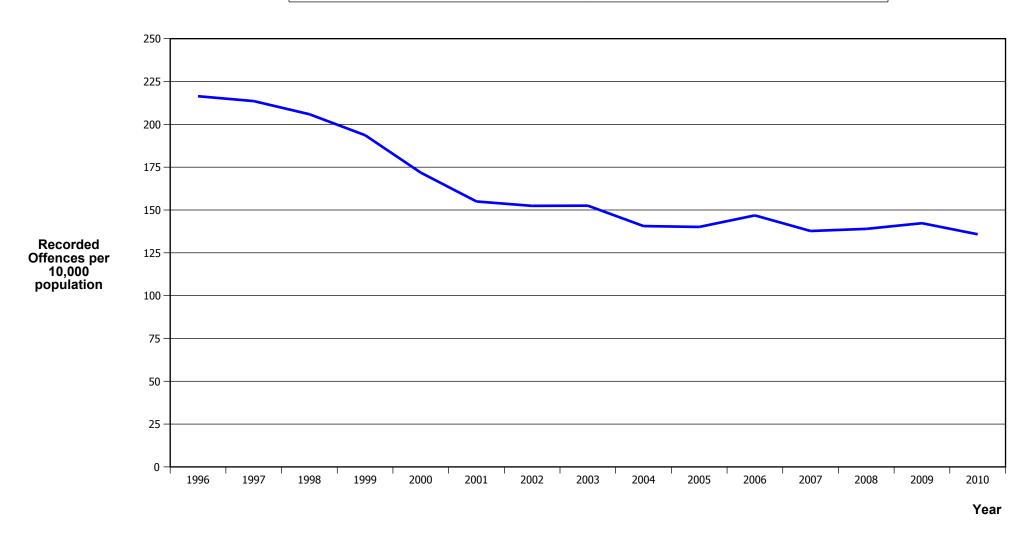
Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	10,122	9,832	9,910	9,853	10,118	10,681	11,123	11,451	11,440	11,582	12,078	13,450	13,693	13,574	12,819
Recorded per 10,000 Population	27.1	26.0	26.0	25.7	26.2	27.5	28.2	28.4	28.0	28.0	28.9	31.8	32.1	31.5	29.3

# **ROBBERY**



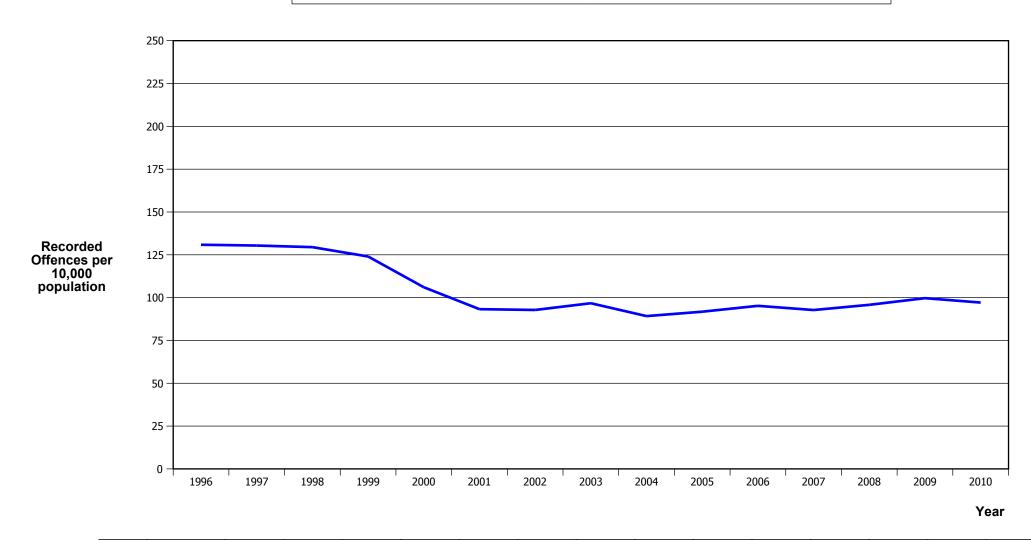
Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	1,945	2,147	2,121	1,688	1,867	1,764	1,981	2,056	2,098	2,322	2,916	2,752	2,657	2,665	2,492
Recorded per 10,000 Population	5.2	5.7	5.6	4.4	4.8	4.5	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.6	7.0	6.5	6.2	6.2	5.7

# **BURGLARY (TOTAL)**



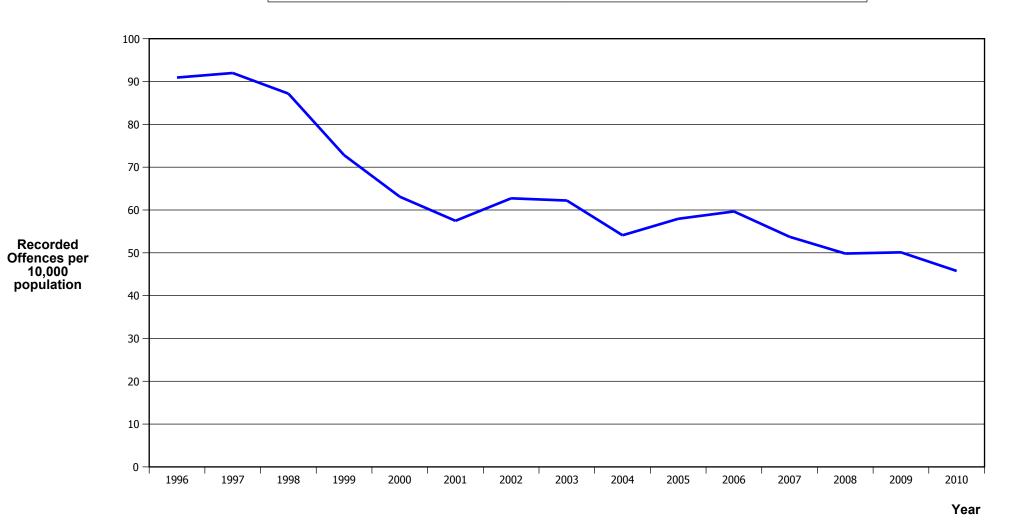
Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	80,773	80,769	78,550	74,274	66,267	60,148	60,184	61,423	57,476	57,923	61,437	58,230	59,326	61,405	59,323
Recorded per 10,000 Population	216.4	213.6	205.9	193.7	171.8	155.0	152.4	152.5	140.6	140.1	146.8	137.7	139.0	142.3	135.8

# **BURGLARY (DWELLING)**



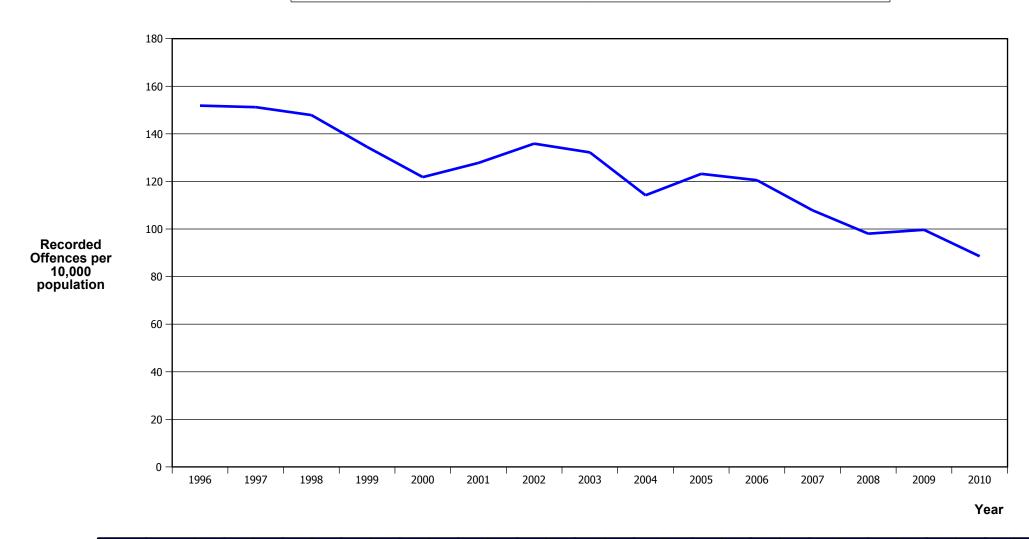
Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	48,846	49,313	49,395	47,569	40,918	36,198	36,643	38,951	36,461	37,946	39,847	39,214	40,888	43,024	42,424
Recorded per 10,000 Population	130.9	130.4	129.5	124.0	106.1	93.3	92.8	96.7	89.2	91.8	95.2	92.7	95.8	99.7	97.1

# **VEHICLES STOLEN**



Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	33,934	34,786	33,254	27,927	24,337	22,307	24,771	25,048	22,109	23,952	24,960	22,722	21,271	21,629	19,991
Recorded per 10,000 Population	90.9	92.0	87.2	72.8	63.1	57.5	62.7	62.2	54.1	57.9	59.7	53.7	49.8	50.1	45.8

# **THEFT EX CAR**



Calendar Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Recorded Offences	56,677	57,186	56,411	51,583	46,989	49,597	53,662	53,242	46,676	50,927	50,432	45,598	41,846	43,015	38,669
Recorded per 10,000 Population	151.9	151.2	147.9	134.5	121.8	127.8	135.9	132.2	114.2	123.2	120.5	107.8	98.0	99.7	88.5

#### **Population Data**

Population data is used in this release to calculate crime rates. They have been derived from population estimates as at 30 June each year that have been 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 the number of international students who are studying in New Zealand for less than 12 months.

Year	Population
1996	3,732,060
1997	3,781,540
1998	3,814,670
1999	3,834,980
2000	3,857,410
2001	3,881,010
2002	3,948,830
2003	4,026,810
2004	4,087,350
2005	4,134,210
2006	4,184,380
2007	4,228,170
2008	4,268,550
2009	4,315,960
2010	4,367,790

#### **General Definitions**

Recorded Offences: the number of breaches of the New Zealand law recorded by Police. This includes offences specified in the Crimes Act and other legislations, such as the Summary Offences Act, Local Government Act, etc.

Resolved Offences: the number of recorded offences where an offender has been identified and dealt with (e.g. warned, cautioned, prosecuted, etc).

Resolution Rate: the proportion of recorded offences that have been resolved.

Recorded per 10,000 population: the number of recorded offences for every 10,000 people. This is also referred as the crime rate per 10,000 population.

ASOC: the Australian Standard Offence Classification. The offence classification is divided into 16 major offence divisions.

#### **Definition of ASOC Divisions**

- 1. Homicide and related offences: Unlawfully kill, attempt to unlawfully kill or conspiracy to kill another person.
- 2. Acts intended to cause injury: Acts, excluding attempted murder and those resulting in death, which are intended to cause non-fatal injury or harm to another person and where there is no sexual or acquisitive element.
- 3. Sexual assault and related offences: Acts, or intent of acts, of a sexual nature against another person, which are non-consensual or where consent is proscribed.
- 4. Dangerous or negligent acts endangering persons: Dangerous or negligent acts which, though not intended to cause harm, actually or potentially result in injury to oneself or another person.
- 5. Abduction, harassment and other offences against person: Acts intended to threaten or harass, or acts that unlawfully deprive another person of their freedom of movement, that are against that person's will or against the will of any parent, guardian or other person having lawful custody or care of that person.
- 6. Robbery, extortion and related offences: Acts intended to unlawfully gain money, property or other items of value from, or to cause detriment to, another person by using the threat of force or any other coercive measure.
- 7. Unlawful entry with intent / burglary, break and enter: The unlawful entry of a structure with the intent to commit an offence, where the entry is either forced or unforced.
- 8. Theft and related and offences: The unlawful taking or obtaining of money or goods, not involving the use of force or violence, coercion or deception, with intent to permanently or temporarily deprive the owner or possessor of the use of the money or goods, or the receiving or handling of money or goods obtained unlawfully.

- 9. Fraud, deception and related offences: Offences involving a dishonest act or omission carried out with the purpose of deceiving to obtain a benefit.
- 10. Illicit drug offences: The possessing, selling, dealing or trafficking, importing or exporting, manufacturing or cultivating of drugs or other substances prohibited under legislation.
- 11. Prohibited and regulated weapons and explosives offences: Offences involving prohibited or regulated weapons and explosives. Those offences also involving assault, sexual assault or robbery are coded to the relevant group within Assault, Sexual assaults and Robbery respectively.
- 12. Property damage and environmental pollution: The wilful and unlawful destruction, damage or defacement of public or private property, or the pollution of property or a definable entity held in common by the community.
- 13. Public order offences: Offences relating personal conduct that involves, or may lead to, a breach of public order or decency, or that is indicative of criminal intent, or that is otherwise regulated or prohibited on moral or ethical grounds. In general these offences do not involve a specific victim or victims; however some offences, such as offensive language and offensive behaviour, may be directed towards a single victim.
- 14. Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences: Offences relating to vehicles and most forms of traffic, including offences pertaining to the licensing, registration, roadworthiness, or use of vehicles, bicycle offences and pedestrian offences.
- 15. Offences against justice procedures, government security and government operations: An act or omission that is deemed to be prejudicial to the effective carrying out of justice procedures or any government operations. This includes general government operations as well as those specifically concerned with maintaining government security.
- 16. Miscellaneous offences: Offences involving the breach of statutory rules or regulations governing activities that are prima facie legal, where such offences are not explicitly dealt with under any other division. If an offence is specified under regulation and involves an act that would be illegal under common law or general criminal legislation, the offence is dealt with under the appropriate generic group.