

NORTHLAND DISTRICT CRIME STATISTICS 2003



**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 Justice sector Law Enforcement System (L.E.S.). These Official Crime Statistics present a snapshot of data in L.E.S. relating to offences within a given year, as at the date 15 days following the end of that year.

If an offence is resolved 16 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 Police offence codes. These changes occur for reasons such as changes in 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.

Significant changes to use of Police offence codes in 2003 include:

A new offence class 5900 - Drugs (new drugs) as part of the Drugs and Antisocial offence category. This class has been introduced to specifically capture offences under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 where the drugs involved are Methamphetamine, Amphetamine, Ecstasy, and Fantasy type substances. Previously, such offences were recorded within the offence class 3100 - Drugs (not cannabis).

A new offence code within the offence class 3900 - Sale of Liquor Act 1989 has been created to specifically capture breach of liquor ban offences. Previously, these were captured within the more general offence class 7600 - ByLaw Breaches.

The Crimes Amendment Act 2003 broadened the scope of offences that are classified as 'Burglary' in Police statistics.

The derivation of figures presented as "RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION" in the tables on pages 4 and 16-28 of the original version of this report contained an error. The error has been corrected in this report.

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
VIOLENCE	GRIEVOUS ASSAULTS	1400	168	172	174	2.4 %	1.2 %	148	147	151	88.1 %	85.5 %	86.8 %
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	12	4	14	-66.7 %	250.0 %	11	4	12	91.7 %	100.0 %	85.7 %
	HOMICIDE	1100	5	2	6	-60.0 %	200.0 %	3	2	4	60.0 %	100.0 %	66.7 %
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	500	476	468	-4.8 %	-1.7 %	404	376	389	80.8 %	79.0 %	83.1 %
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	7	7	10	0.0 %	42.9 %	5	4	9	71.4 %	57.1 %	90.0 %
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	513	456	499	-11.1 %	9.4 %	396	356	380	77.2 %	78.1 %	76.2 %
	ROBBERY	1300	59	77	43	30.5 %	-44.2 %	32	46	27	54.2 %	59.7 %	62.8 %
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	705	765	778	8.5 %	1.7 %	579	610	612	82.1 %	79.7 %	78.7 %
Total:			1969	1959	1992	-0.5 %	1.7 %	1578	1545	1584	80.1 %	78.9 %	79.5 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
SEXUAL OFFENCES	ABNORMAL SEX	2700		2			-100.0 %		2			100.0 %	
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2400											
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	13	11	3	-15.4 %	-72.7 %	9	8	2	69.2 %	72.7 %	66.7 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	4	2		-50.0 %	-100.0 %	2	1		50.0 %	50.0 %	
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	11	16	19	45.5 %	18.8 %	9	9	13	81.8 %	56.3 %	68.4 %
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	77	112	80	45.5 %	-28.6 %	36	75	50	46.8 %	67.0 %	62.5 %
Total:			105	143	102	36.2 %	-28.7 %	56	95	65	53.3 %	66.4 %	63.7 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL C	DISORDER	3500	1168	1204	1204	3.1 %	0.0 %	1091	1105	1098	93.4 %	91.8 %	91.2 %
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	1684	1465	1193	-13.0 %	-18.6 %	1599	1243	1058	95.0 %	84.8 %	88.7 %
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			78					44			56.4 %
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	213	162	114	-23.9 %	-29.6 %	185	142	98	86.9 %	87.7 %	86.0 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	23	17	29	-26.1 %	70.6 %	19	12	18	82.6 %	70.6 %	62.1 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	150	172	169	14.7 %	-1.7 %	126	142	134	84.0 %	82.6 %	79.3 %
	GAMING	3400		4	1		-75.0 %		4	1		100.0 %	100.0 %
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	65	55	175	-15.4 %	218.2 %	57	51	168	87.7 %	92.7 %	96.0 %
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	7	7	1	0.0 %	-85.7 %	5	6	1	71.4 %	85.7 %	100.0 %
Total:			3310	3086	2964	-6.8 %	-4.0 %	3082	2705	2620	93.1 %	87.7 %	88.4 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
DISHONESTY	BURGLARY	4100	2004	2290	2085	14.3 %	-9.0 %	506	532	447	25.2 %	23.2 %	21.4 %
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	917	1245	970	35.8 %	-22.1 %	302	363	279	32.9 %	29.2 %	28.8 %
	FRAUD	4500	452	586	534	29.6 %	-8.9 %	264	366	312	58.4 %	62.5 %	58.4 %
	RECEIVING	4400	144	151	142	4.9 %	-6.0 %	139	144	137	96.5 %	95.4 %	96.5 %
	THEFT	4300	4380	4647	4201	6.1 %	-9.6 %	1234	1217	1075	28.2 %	26.2 %	25.6 %
Total:			7897	8919	7932	12.9 %	-11.1 %	2445	2622	2250	31.0 %	29.4 %	28.4 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
PROPERTY DAMAGE	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	5100	1320	1471	1500	11.4 %	2.0 %	534	583	585	40.5 %	39.6 %	39.0 %
	ENDANGERING	5200	19	9	13	-52.6 %	44.4 %	15	6	7	78.9 %	66.7 %	53.8 %
Total:			1339	1480	1513	10.5 %	2.2 %	549	589	592	41.0 %	39.8 %	39.1 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
PROPERTY ABUSES	ANIMALS	6300	37	24	25	-35.1 %	4.2 %	25	9	20	67.6 %	37.5 %	80.0 %
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	158	124	149	-21.5 %	20.2 %	139	105	133	88.0 %	84.7 %	89.3 %
	LITTERING	6200	18	17	13	-5.6 %	-23.5 %	17	13	12	94.4 %	76.5 %	92.3 %
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	169	167	151	-1.2 %	-9.6 %	92	71	66	54.4 %	42.5 %	43.7 %
	TRESPASS	6100	709	531	546	-25.1 %	2.8 %	458	420	396	64.6 %	79.1 %	72.5 %
Total:			1091	863	884	-20.9 %	2.4 %	731	618	627	67.0 %	71.6 %	70.9 %

Offence Category	Offence Class Description	Offence Class Code	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	Recorded 2003	% Variance 01-02	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2003
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	585	718	766	22.7 %	6.7 %	532	633	629	90.9 %	88.2 %	82.1 %
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500	1			-100.0 %		0			0.0 %		
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200	1	1		0.0 %	-100.0 %	1	1		100.0 %	100.0 %	
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	2	85	13	4150.0 %	-84.7 %	1	84	10	50.0 %	98.8 %	76.9 %
	IMMIGRATION	7300	2	18	4	800.0 %	-77.8 %	1	18	4	50.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
	RACIAL	7400											
Total:			591	822	783	39.1 %	-4.7 %	535	736	643	90.5 %	89.5 %	82.1 %

TOTAL			16,302	17,272	16,170	6.0 %	-6.4 %	8,976	8,910	8,381	55.1 %	51.6 %	51.8 %
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DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY AREA
Years ending 31 December

Area Description	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003	% Rate Variance 01-02	% Rate Variance 02-03
Far North	980.8	1,200.1	1,042.2	22.4 %	-13.2 %
Whangarei	1,245.1	1,201.6	1,164.3	-3.5 %	-3.1 %
TOTAL	1,140.3	1,201.0	1,115.9	5.3 %	-7.1 %

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 30 June

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
VIOLENCE	GRIEVOUS ASSAULTS	1400	11.8	12.0	12.0
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	0.8	0.3	1.0
	HOMICIDE	1100	0.3	0.1	0.4
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	35.0	33.1	32.3
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	0.5	0.5	0.7
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	35.9	31.7	34.4
	ROBBERY	1300	4.1	5.4	3.0
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	49.3	53.2	53.7
VIOLENCE			137.7	136.2	137.5

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
SEXUAL OFFENCES	ABNORMAL SEX	2700		0.1	
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2400			
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	0.9	0.8	0.2
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	0.3	0.1	
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	0.8	1.1	1.3
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	5.4	7.8	5.5
SEXUAL OFFENCES			7.3	9.9	7.0

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	DISORDER	3500	81.7	83.7	83.1
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	117.8	101.9	82.3
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			5.4
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	14.9	11.3	7.9
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	1.6	1.2	2.0
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	10.5	12.0	11.7
	GAMING	3400		0.3	0.1
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	4.5	3.8	12.1
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	0.5	0.5	0.1
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES			231.5	214.6	204.6

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 30 June

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
DISHONESTY	BURGLARY	4100	140.2	159.2	143.9
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	64.1	86.6	66.9
	FRAUD	4500	31.6	40.7	36.9
	RECEIVING	4400	10.1	10.5	9.8
	THEFT	4300	306.4	323.1	289.9
DISHONESTY			552.4	620.2	547.4

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
PROPERTY DAMAGE	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	5100	92.3	102.3	103.5
	ENDANGERING	5200	1.3	0.6	0.9
PROPERTY DAMAGE			93.7	102.9	104.4

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
PROPERTY ABUSES	ANIMALS	6300	2.6	1.7	1.7
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	11.1	8.6	10.3
	LITTERING	6200	1.3	1.2	0.9
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	11.8	11.6	10.4
	TRESPASS	6100	49.6	36.9	37.7
PROPERTY ABUSES			76.3	60.0	61.0

Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	40.9	49.9	52.9
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500	0.1		
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200	0.1	0.1	
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	0.1	5.9	0.9
	IMMIGRATION	7300	0.1	1.3	0.3
	RACIAL	7400			
ADMINISTRATIVE			41.3	57.2	54.0

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORY

Years ending 30 June

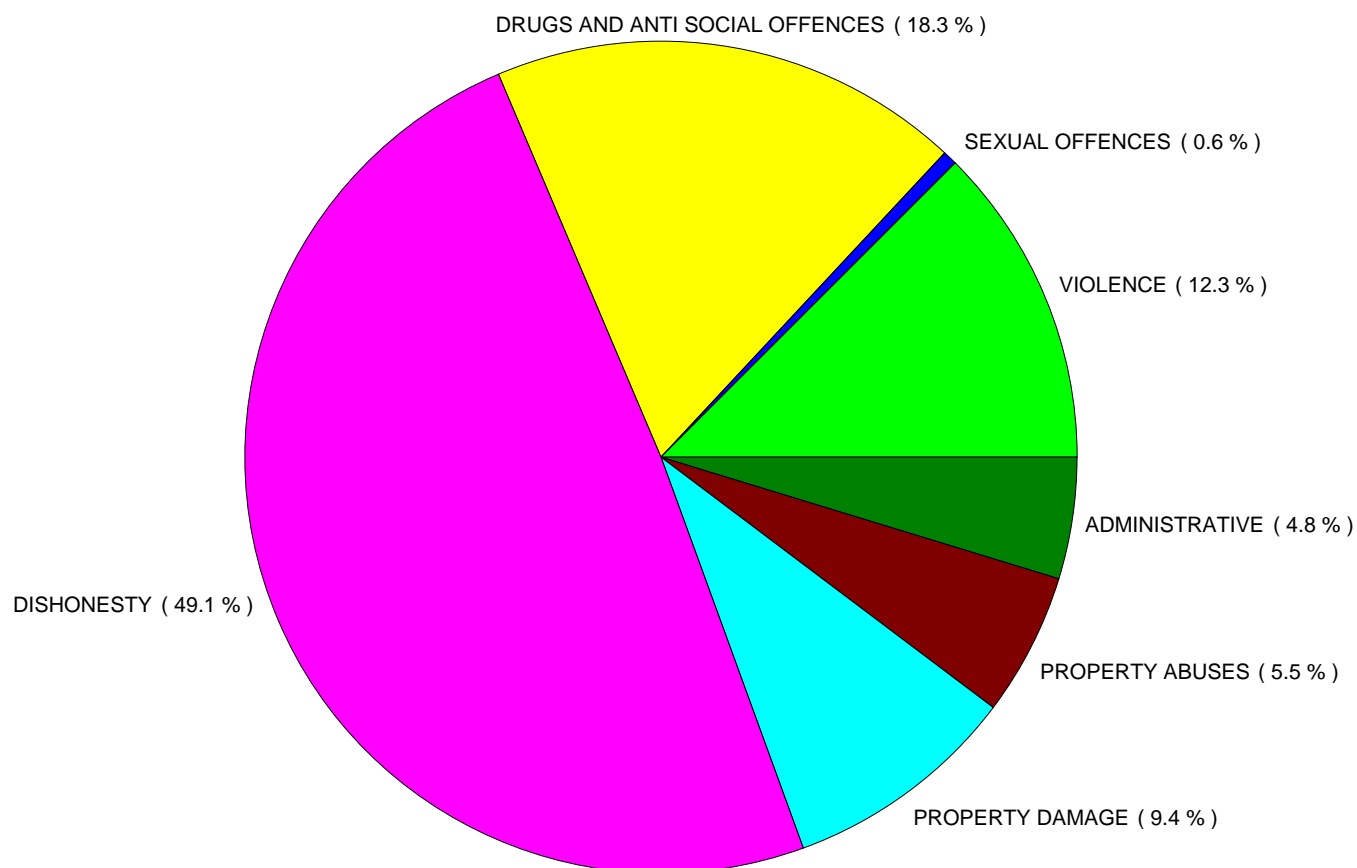
Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
TOTAL			1140.3	1201.0	1115.9

PROPORTION OF RECORDED CRIME BY CATEGORY

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category Description	Proportions Recorded 2001	Recorded 2001	Proportions Recorded 2002	Recorded 2002	Proportions Recorded 2003	Recorded 2003
VIOLENCE	12.1 %	1,969	11.3 %	1,959	12.3 %	1,992
SEXUAL OFFENCES	0.6 %	105	0.8 %	143	0.6 %	102
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	20.3 %	3,310	17.9 %	3,086	18.3 %	2,964
DISHONESTY	48.4 %	7,897	51.6 %	8,919	49.1 %	7,932
PROPERTY DAMAGE	8.2 %	1,339	8.6 %	1,480	9.4 %	1,513
PROPERTY ABUSES	6.7 %	1,091	5.0 %	863	5.5 %	884
ADMINISTRATIVE	3.6 %	591	4.8 %	822	4.8 %	783
Total:	100.0 %	16,302	100.0 %	17,272	100.0 %	16,170

TOTAL DISTRICT CRIME BY CATEGORY FOR 2003 (ending 31 December)



SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	5,558	6,848	23.2 %	5981	-12.7 %	2,712	48.8 %	3,147	46.0 %	3,025	50.6 %
Whangarei	10,744	10,424	-3.0 %	10189	-2.3 %	6,264	58.3 %	5,763	55.3 %	5,356	52.6 %
Total:	16,302	17,272	6.0 %	16,170	-6.4 %	8,976	55.1 %	8,910	51.6 %	8,381	51.8 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

VIOLENCE

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	695	747	7.5 %	774	3.6 %	546	78.6 %	575	77.0 %	630	81.4 %
Whangarei	1,274	1,212	-4.9 %	1,218	0.5 %	1,032	81.0 %	970	80.0 %	954	78.3 %
Total:	1,969	1,959	-0.5 %	1,992	1.7 %	1,578	80.1 %	1,545	78.9 %	1,584	79.5 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

SEXUAL OFFENCES

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	47	61	29.8 %	45	-26.2 %	22	46.8 %	44	72.1 %	31	68.9 %
Whangarei	58	82	41.4 %	57	-30.5 %	34	58.6 %	51	62.2 %	34	59.6 %
Total:	105	143	36.2 %	102	-28.7 %	56	53.3 %	95	66.4 %	65	63.7 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	928	1,022	10.1 %	972	-4.9 %	845	91.1 %	809	79.2 %	851	87.6 %
Whangarei	2,382	2,064	-13.4 %	1,992	-3.5 %	2,237	93.9 %	1,896	91.9 %	1,769	88.8 %
Total:	3,310	3,086	-6.8 %	2,964	-4.0 %	3,082	93.1 %	2,705	87.7 %	2,620	88.4 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

DISHONESTY

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	2,954	3,712	25.7 %	3,056	-17.7 %	762	25.8 %	949	25.6 %	841	27.5 %
Whangarei	4,943	5,207	5.3 %	4,876	-6.4 %	1,683	34.0 %	1,673	32.1 %	1,409	28.9 %
Total:	7,897	8,919	12.9 %	7,932	-11.1 %	2,445	31.0 %	2,622	29.4 %	2,250	28.4 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	449	608	35.4 %	526	-13.5 %	169	37.6 %	213	35.0 %	192	36.5 %
Whangarei	890	872	-2.0 %	987	13.2 %	380	42.7 %	376	43.1 %	400	40.5 %
Total:	1,339	1,480	10.5 %	1,513	2.2 %	549	41.0 %	589	39.8 %	592	39.1 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

PROPERTY ABUSES

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	292	326	11.6 %	367	12.6 %	196	67.1 %	233	71.5 %	281	76.6 %
Whangarei	799	537	-32.8 %	517	-3.7 %	535	67.0 %	385	71.7 %	346	66.9 %
Total:	1,091	863	-20.9 %	884	2.4 %	731	67.0 %	618	71.6 %	627	70.9 %

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME CATEGORY, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

ADMINISTRATIVE

Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Far North	193	372	92.7 %	241	-35.2 %	172	89.1 %	324	87.1 %	199	82.6 %
Whangarei	398	450	13.1 %	542	20.4 %	363	91.2 %	412	91.6 %	444	81.9 %
Total:	591	822	39.1 %	783	-4.7 %	535	90.5 %	736	89.5 %	643	82.1 %

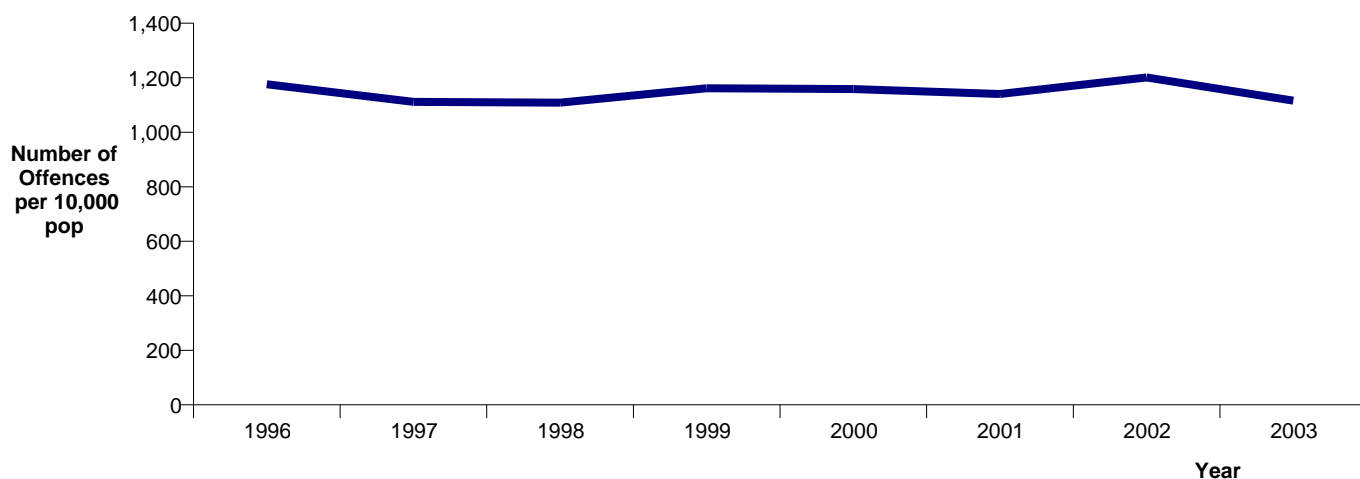
RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES

Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME

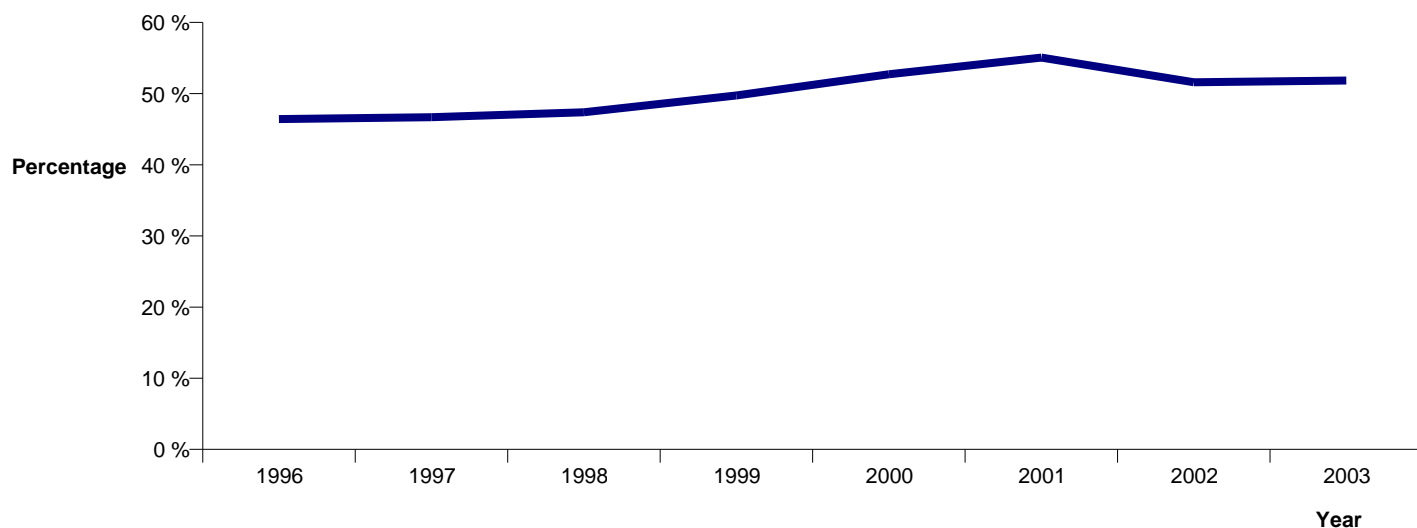
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1996	16383		1,176.3		7604	46.4 %	
1997	15646	-4.5 %	1,111.5	-5.5 %	7303	46.7 %	0.3 %
1998	15727	0.5 %	1,108.6	-0.3 %	7450	47.4 %	0.7 %
1999	16544	5.2 %	1,161.3	4.8 %	8229	49.7 %	2.4 %
2000	16551	0.0 %	1,158.6	-0.2 %	8724	52.7 %	3.0 %
2001	16302	-1.5 %	1,140.3	-1.6 %	8976	55.1 %	2.4 %
2002	17272	6.0 %	1,201.0	5.3 %	8910	51.6 %	-3.5 %
2003	16170	-6.4 %	1,115.9	-7.1 %	8381	51.8 %	0.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



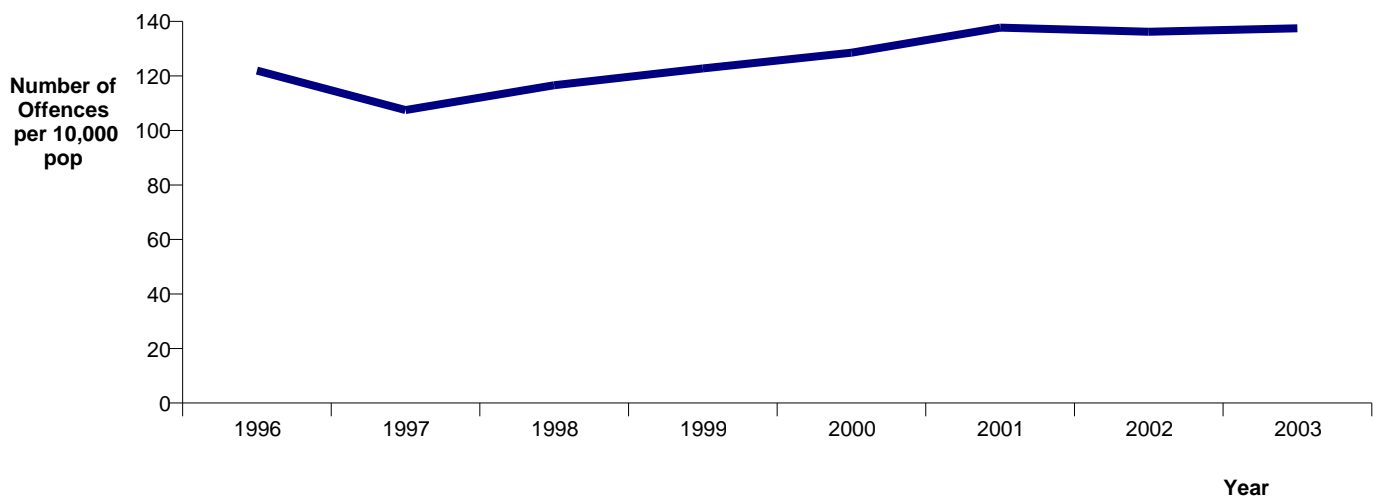
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VIOLENCE

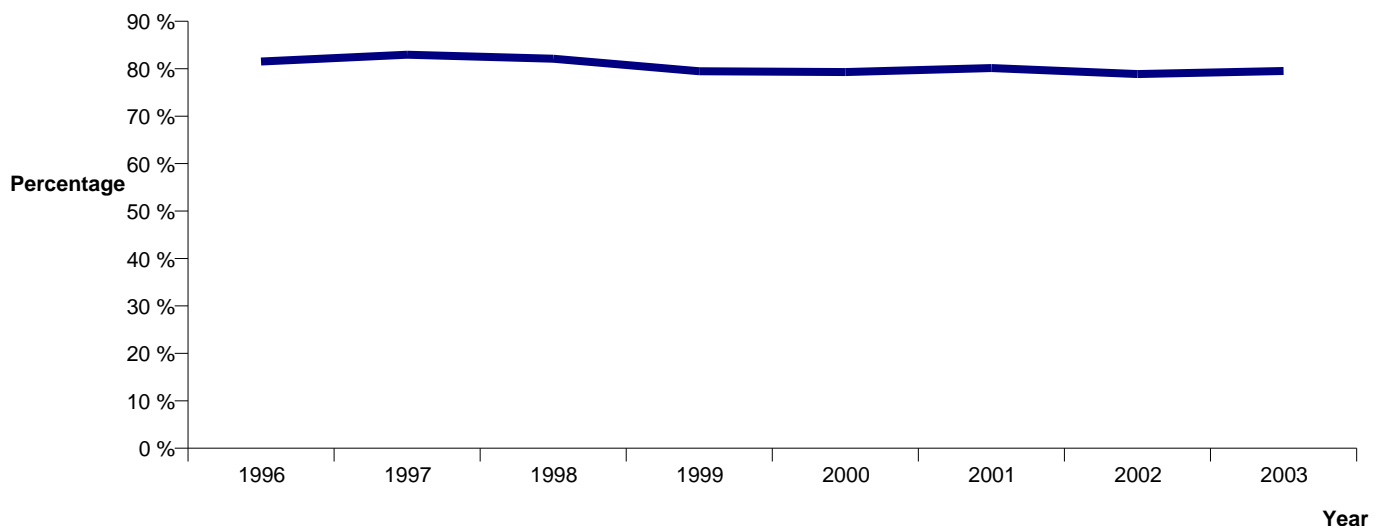
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1996	1699		122.0		1385	81.5 %	
1997	1513	-10.9 %	107.5	-11.9 %	1255	82.9 %	1.4 %
1998	1654	9.3 %	116.6	8.5 %	1358	82.1 %	-0.8 %
1999	1749	5.7 %	122.8	5.3 %	1390	79.5 %	-2.6 %
2000	1836	5.0 %	128.5	4.7 %	1456	79.3 %	-0.2 %
2001	1969	7.2 %	137.7	7.2 %	1578	80.1 %	0.8 %
2002	1959	-0.5 %	136.2	-1.1 %	1545	78.9 %	-1.3 %
2003	1992	1.7 %	137.5	0.9 %	1584	79.5 %	0.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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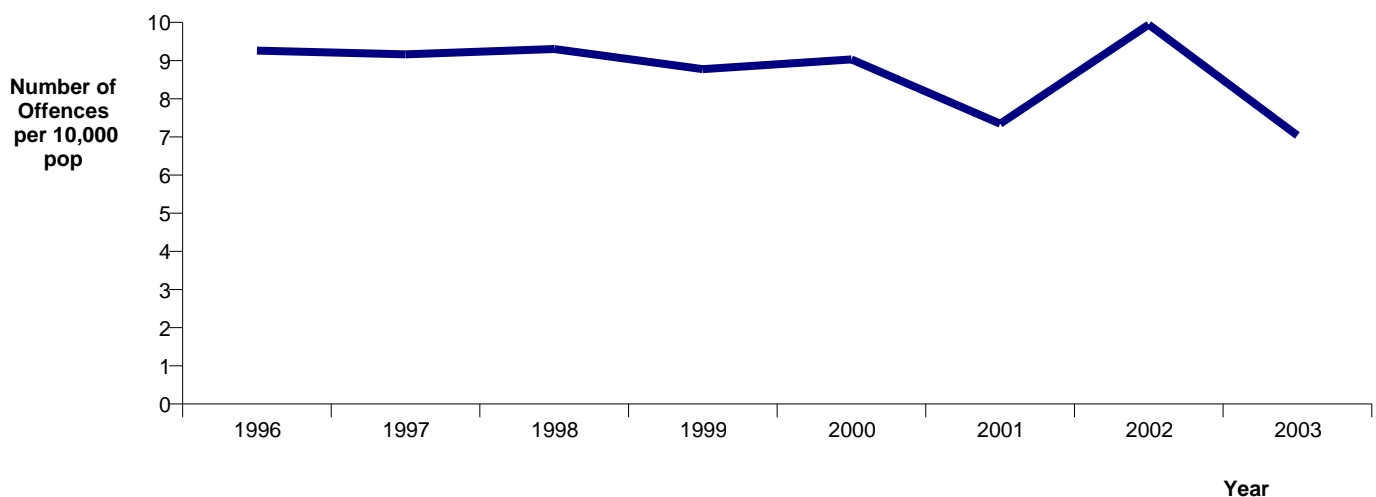
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SEXUAL OFFENCES

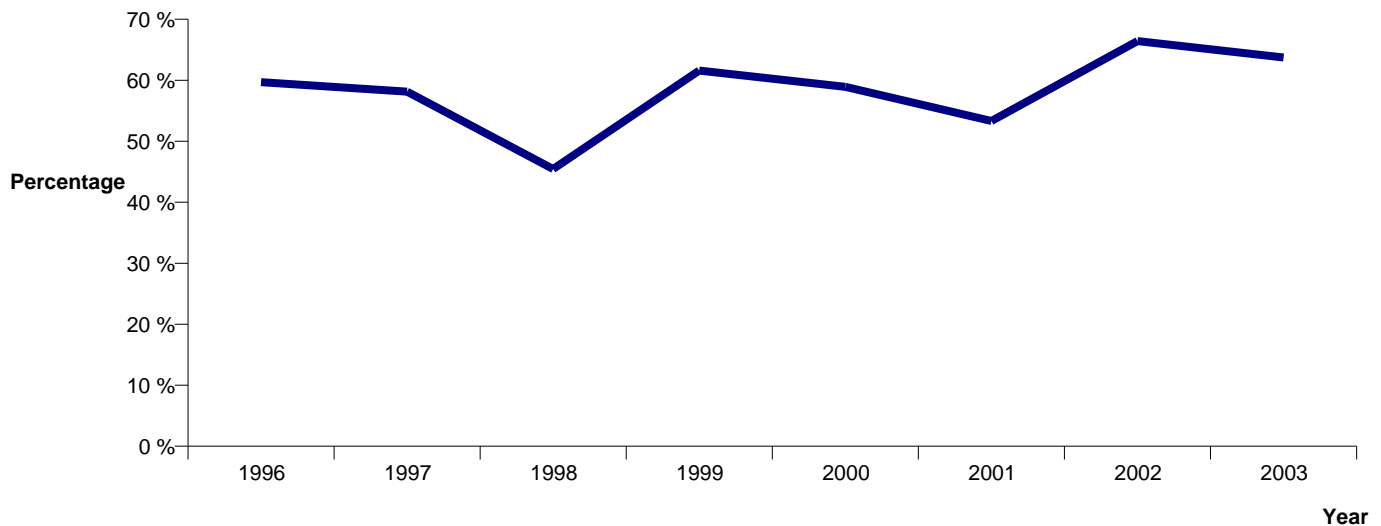
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1996	129		9.3		77	59.7 %	
1997	129	0.0 %	9.2	-1.1 %	75	58.1 %	-1.6 %
1998	132	2.3 %	9.3	1.5 %	60	45.5 %	-12.7 %
1999	125	-5.3 %	8.8	-5.7 %	77	61.6 %	16.1 %
2000	129	3.2 %	9.0	2.9 %	76	58.9 %	-2.7 %
2001	105	-18.6 %	7.3	-18.7 %	56	53.3 %	-5.6 %
2002	143	36.2 %	9.9	35.4 %	95	66.4 %	13.1 %
2003	102	-28.7 %	7.0	-29.2 %	65	63.7 %	-2.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



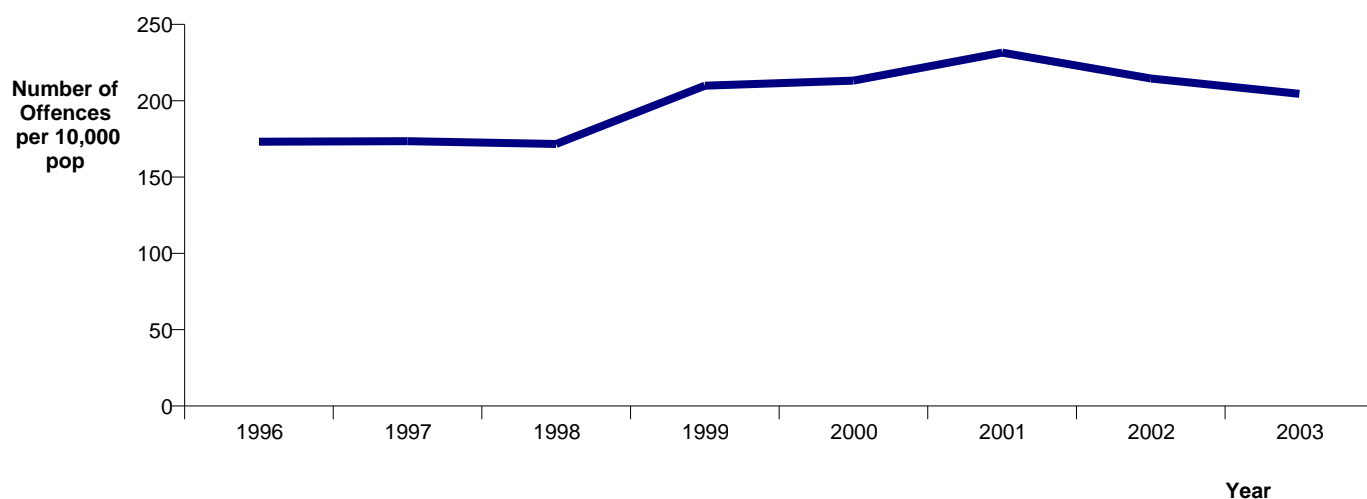
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DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES

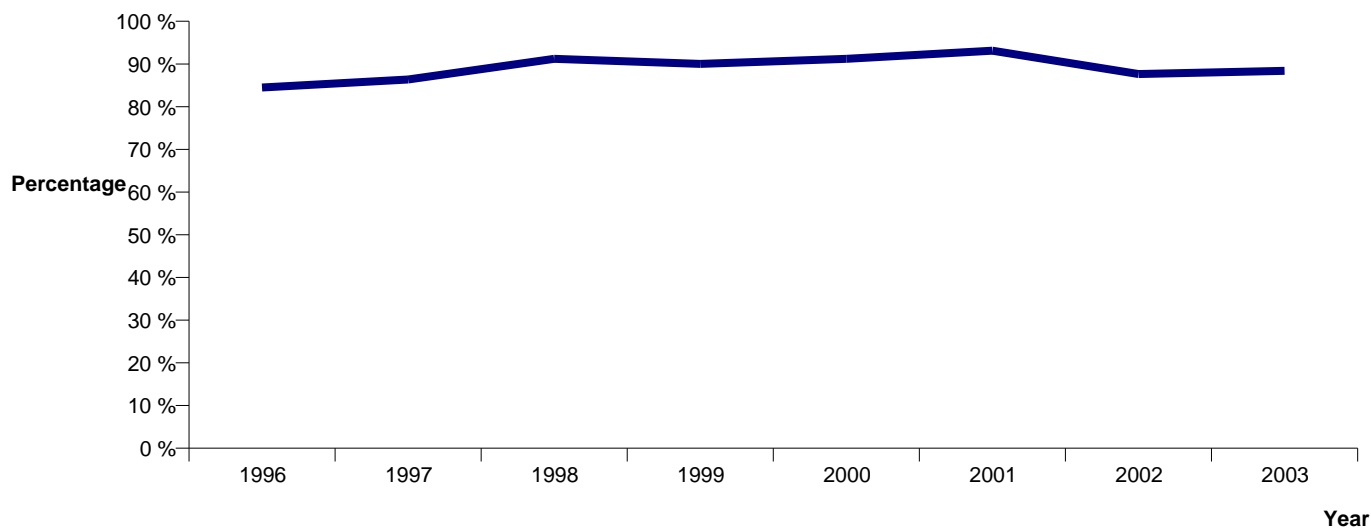
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1996	2412		173.2		2038	84.5 %	
1997	2442	1.2 %	173.5	0.2 %	2109	86.4 %	1.9 %
1998	2435	-0.3 %	171.6	-1.1 %	2221	91.2 %	4.8 %
1999	2989	22.8 %	209.8	22.2 %	2691	90.0 %	-1.2 %
2000	3045	1.9 %	213.2	1.6 %	2777	91.2 %	1.2 %
2001	3310	8.7 %	231.5	8.6 %	3082	93.1 %	1.9 %
2002	3086	-6.8 %	214.6	-7.3 %	2705	87.7 %	-5.5 %
2003	2964	-4.0 %	204.6	-4.7 %	2620	88.4 %	0.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



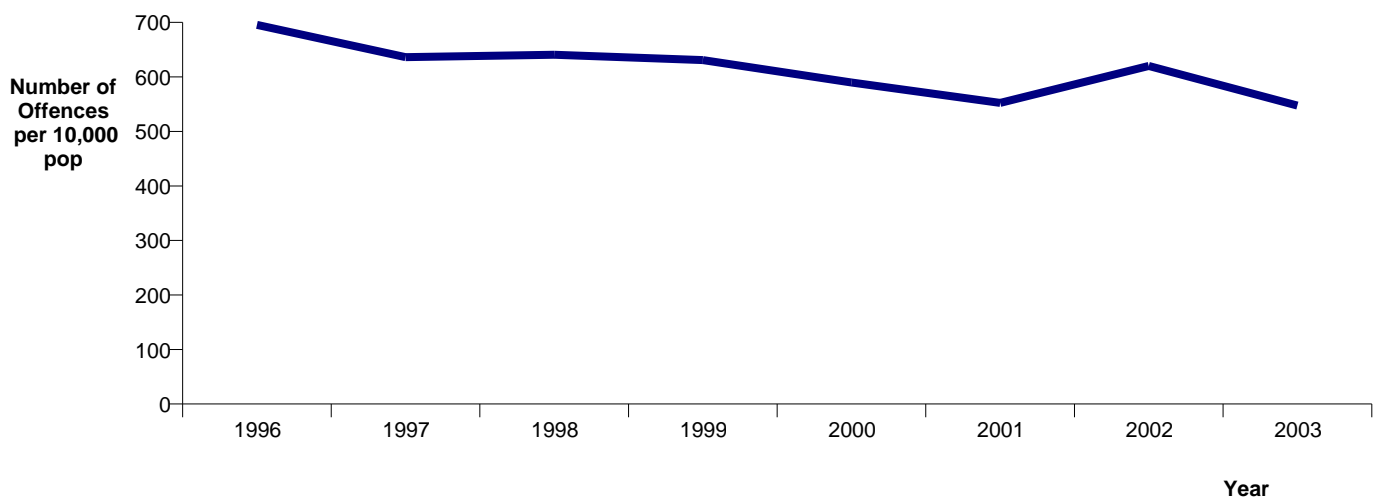
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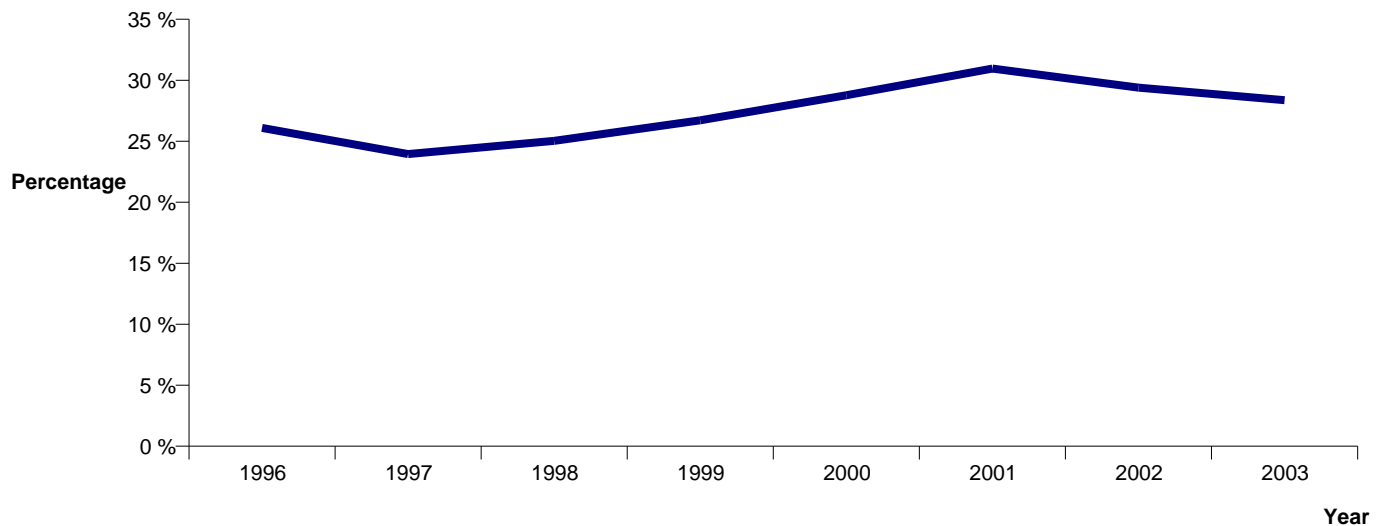
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1996	9687		695.5		2528	26.1 %	
1997	8957	-7.5 %	636.3	-8.5 %	2145	23.9 %	-2.1 %
1998	9089	1.5 %	640.7	0.7 %	2275	25.0 %	1.1 %
1999	8988	-1.1 %	630.9	-1.5 %	2401	26.7 %	1.7 %
2000	8426	-6.3 %	589.8	-6.5 %	2424	28.8 %	2.1 %
2001	7897	-6.3 %	552.4	-6.4 %	2445	31.0 %	2.2 %
2002	8919	12.9 %	620.2	12.3 %	2622	29.4 %	-1.6 %
2003	7932	-11.1 %	547.4	-11.7 %	2250	28.4 %	-1.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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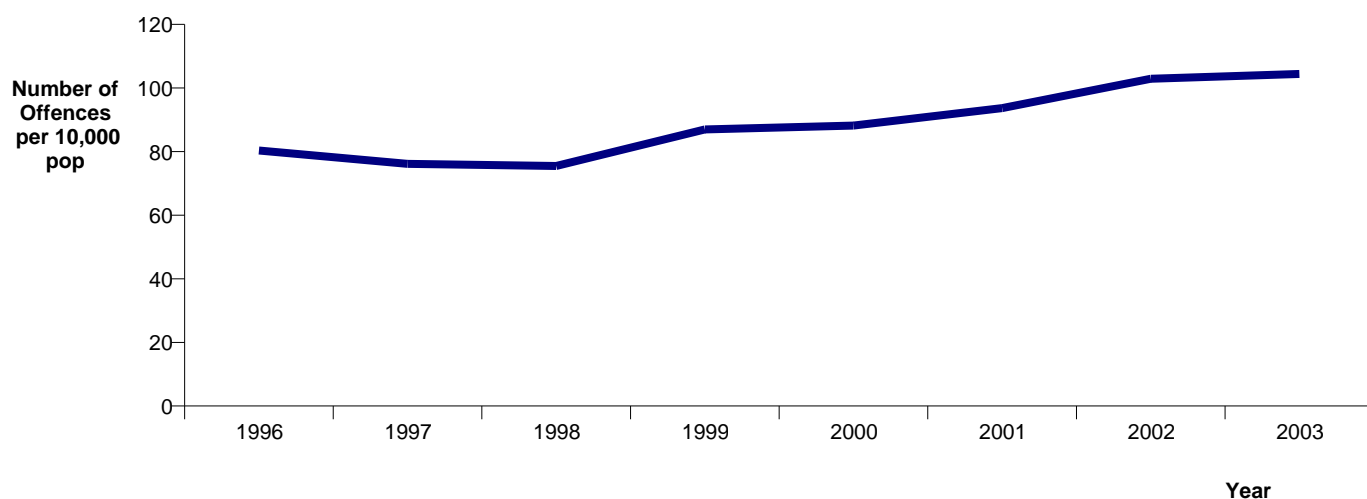
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PROPERTY DAMAGE

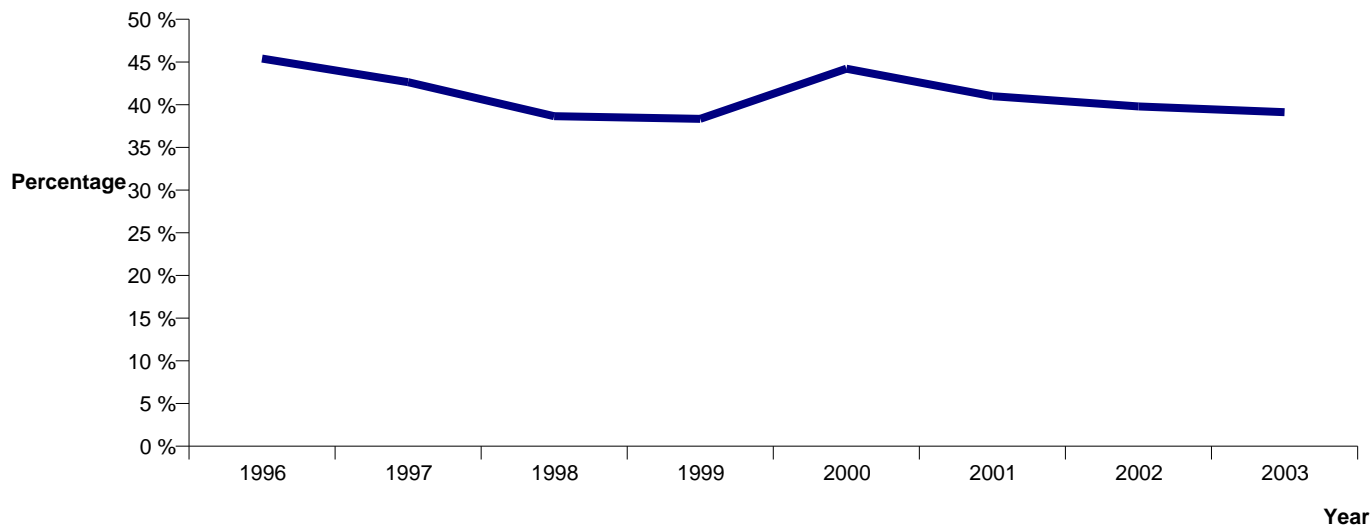
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1996	1119		80.3		508	45.4 %	
1997	1072	-4.2 %	76.2	-5.2 %	457	42.6 %	-2.8 %
1998	1071	-0.1 %	75.5	-0.9 %	414	38.7 %	-4.0 %
1999	1239	15.7 %	87.0	15.2 %	475	38.3 %	-0.3 %
2000	1260	1.7 %	88.2	1.4 %	557	44.2 %	5.9 %
2001	1339	6.3 %	93.7	6.2 %	549	41.0 %	-3.2 %
2002	1480	10.5 %	102.9	9.9 %	589	39.8 %	-1.2 %
2003	1513	2.2 %	104.4	1.5 %	592	39.1 %	-0.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



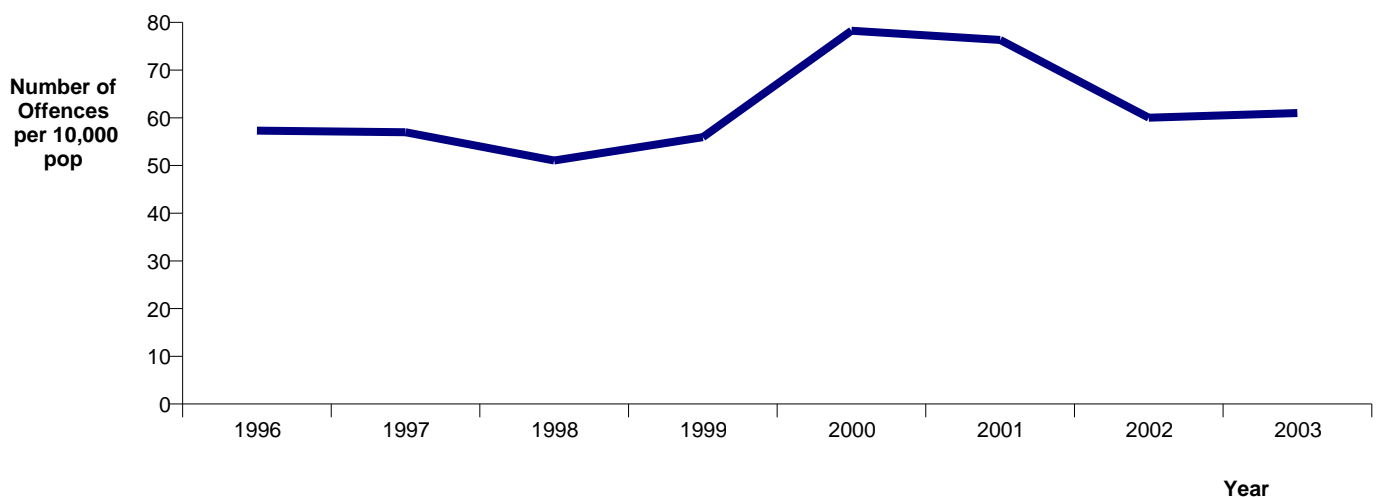
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PROPERTY ABUSES

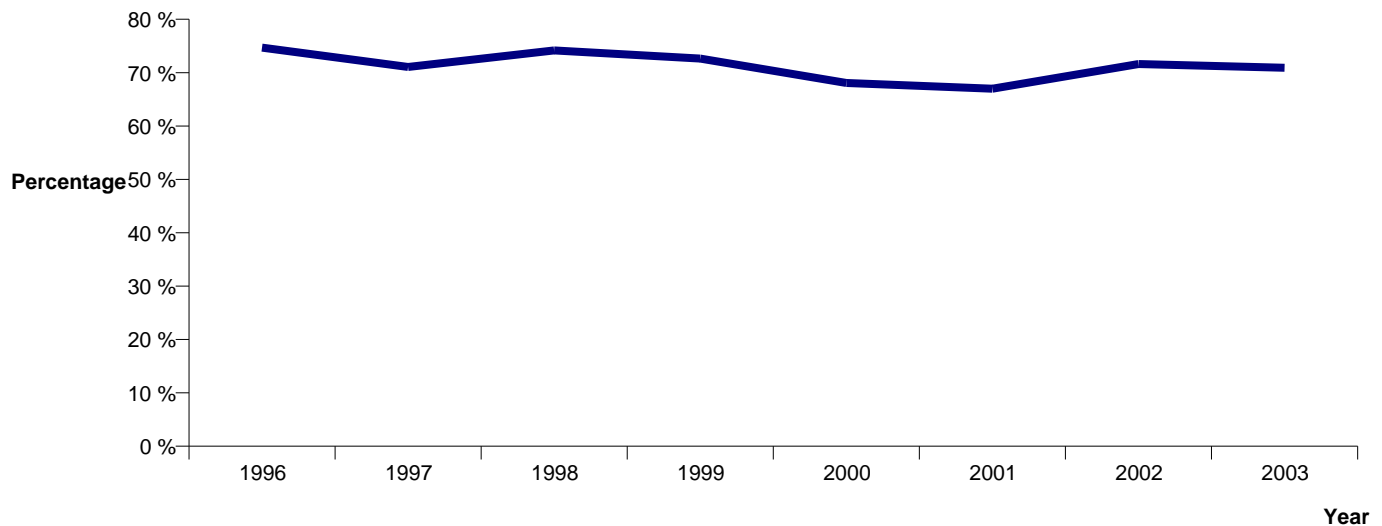
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1996	798		57.3		596	74.7 %	
1997	802	0.5 %	57.0	-0.6 %	570	71.1 %	-3.6 %
1998	724	-9.7 %	51.0	-10.4 %	537	74.2 %	3.1 %
1999	797	10.1 %	55.9	9.6 %	579	72.6 %	-1.5 %
2000	1118	40.3 %	78.3	39.9 %	761	68.1 %	-4.6 %
2001	1091	-2.4 %	76.3	-2.5 %	731	67.0 %	-1.1 %
2002	863	-20.9 %	60.0	-21.4 %	618	71.6 %	4.6 %
2003	884	2.4 %	61.0	1.7 %	627	70.9 %	-0.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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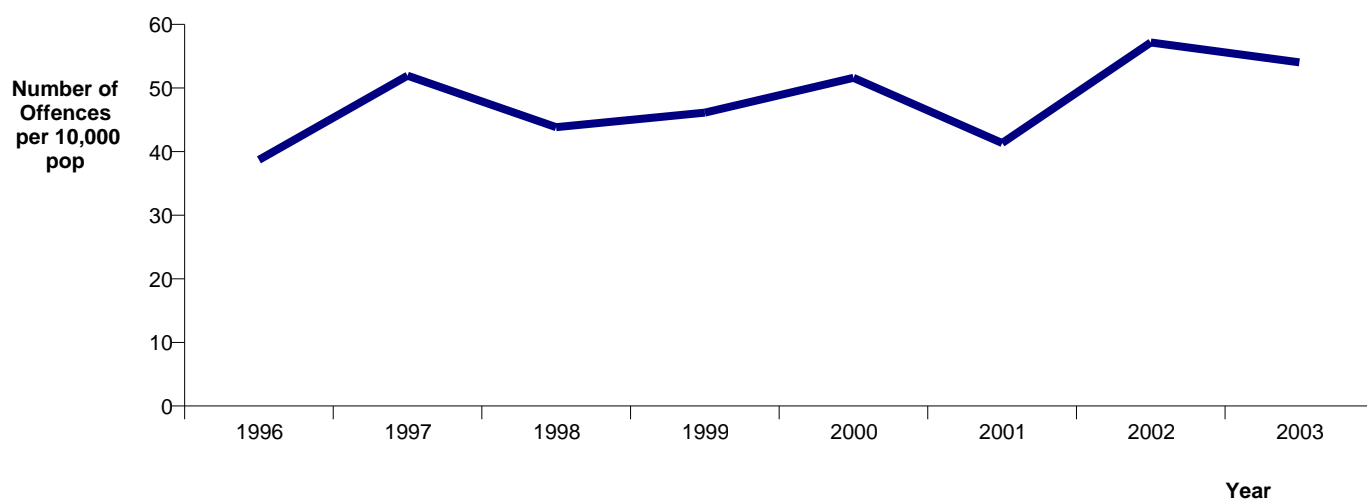
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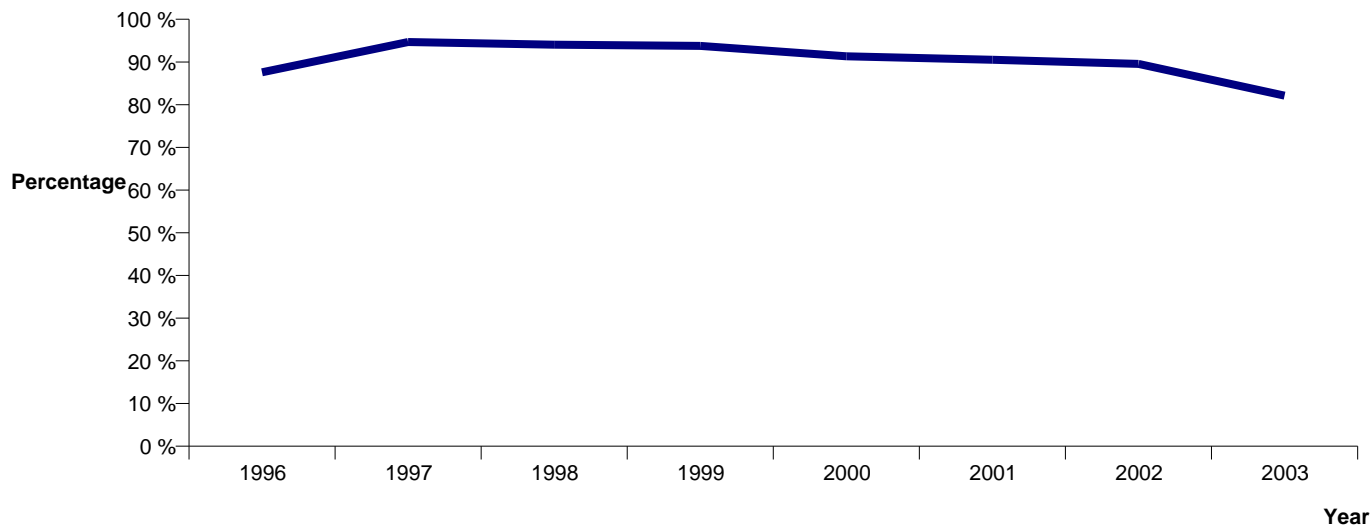
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1996	539		38.7		472	87.6 %	
1997	731	35.6 %	51.9	34.2 %	692	94.7 %	7.1 %
1998	622	-14.9 %	43.8	-15.6 %	585	94.1 %	-0.6 %
1999	657	5.6 %	46.1	5.2 %	616	93.8 %	-0.3 %
2000	737	12.2 %	51.6	11.9 %	673	91.3 %	-2.4 %
2001	591	-19.8 %	41.3	-19.9 %	535	90.5 %	-0.8 %
2002	822	39.1 %	57.2	38.3 %	736	89.5 %	-1.0 %
2003	783	-4.7 %	54.0	-5.5 %	643	82.1 %	-7.4 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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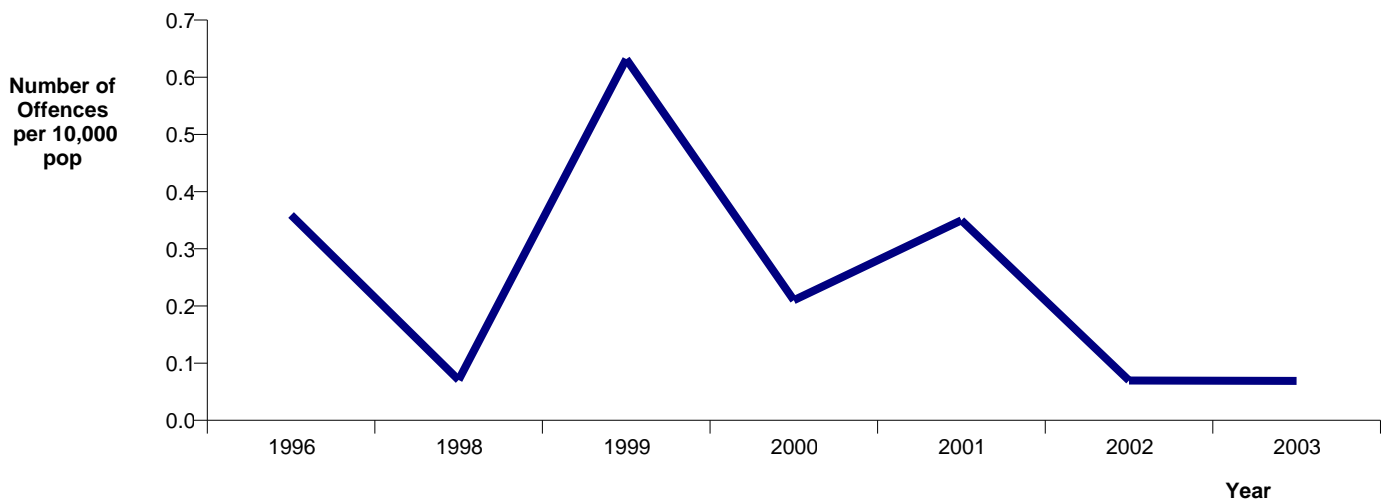
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MURDER *

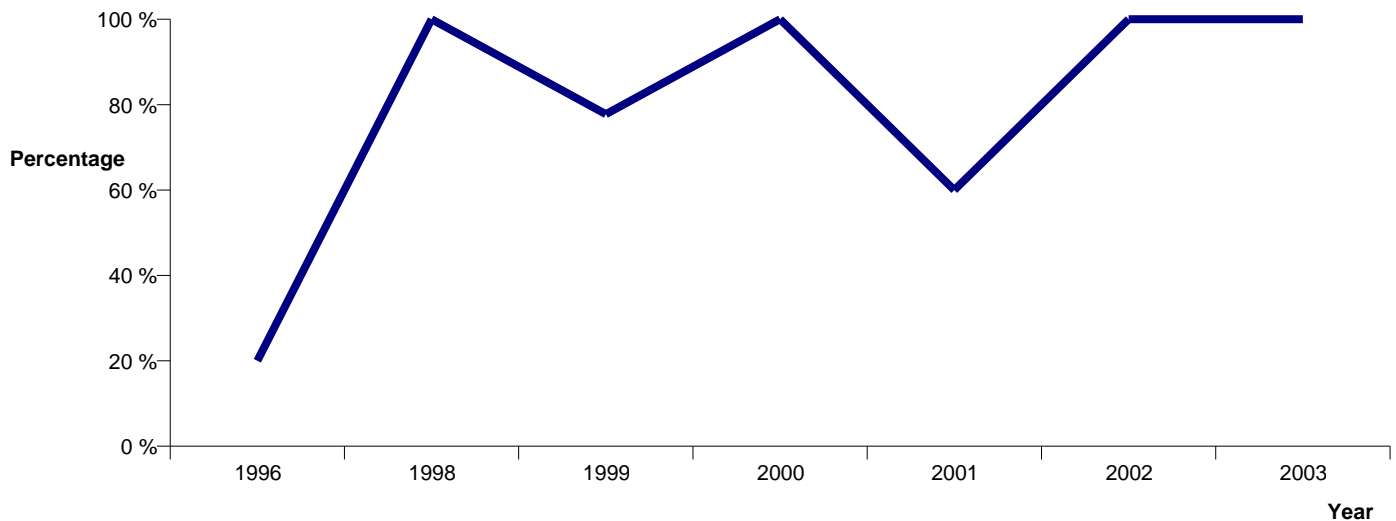
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1996	5		0.4		1	20.0 %	
1998	1	-80.0 %	0.1	-80.4 %	1	100.0 %	80.0 %
1999	9	800.0 %	0.6	796.3 %	7	77.8 %	-22.2 %
2000	3	-66.7 %	0.2	-66.8 %	3	100.0 %	22.2 %
2001	5	66.7 %	0.3	66.5 %	3	60.0 %	-40.0 %
2002	1	-80.0 %	0.1	-80.1 %	1	100.0 %	40.0 %
2003	1	0.0 %	0.1	-0.8 %	1	100.0 %	0.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



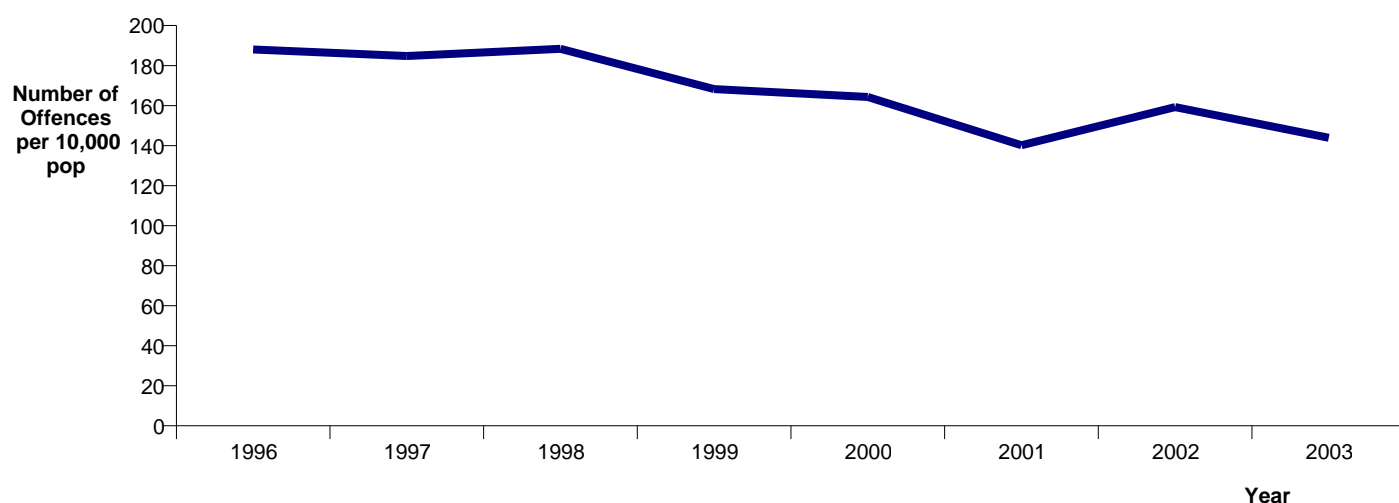
* Note that 'Murder' is a sub-class of the Police offence class 'Homicide'

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BURGLARY

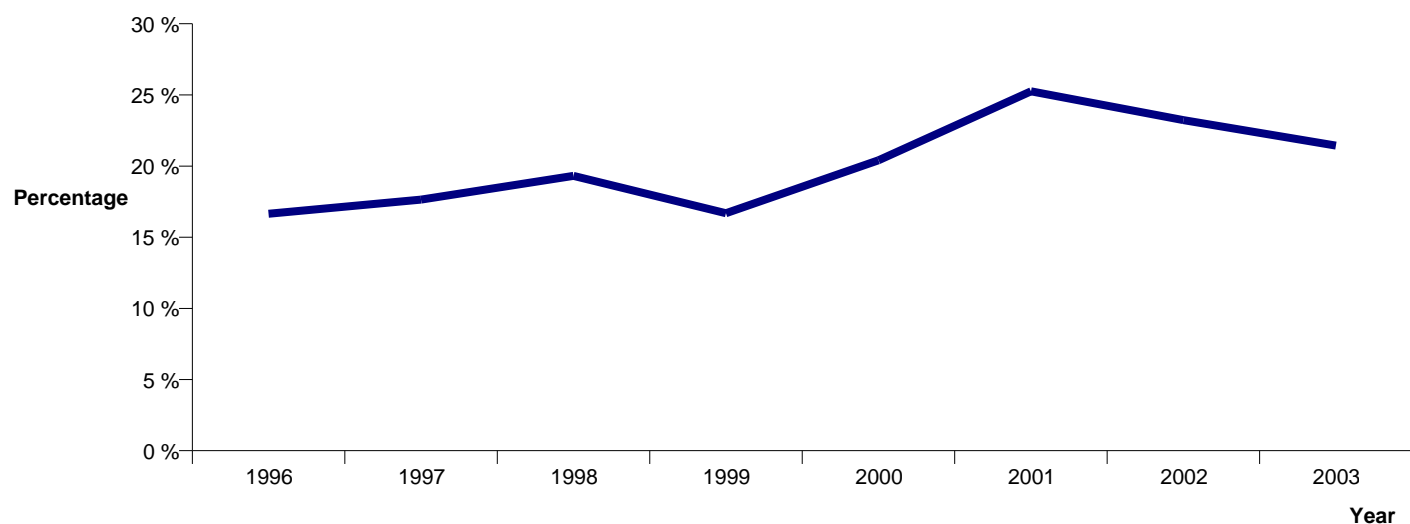
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1996	2619		188.0		436	16.6 %	
1997	2601	-0.7 %	184.8	-1.7 %	459	17.6 %	1.0 %
1998	2672	2.7 %	188.3	1.9 %	516	19.3 %	1.7 %
1999	2397	-10.3 %	168.3	-10.7 %	400	16.7 %	-2.6 %
2000	2347	-2.1 %	164.3	-2.4 %	479	20.4 %	3.7 %
2001	2004	-14.6 %	140.2	-14.7 %	506	25.2 %	4.8 %
2002	2290	14.3 %	159.2	13.6 %	532	23.2 %	-2.0 %
2003	2085	-9.0 %	143.9	-9.6 %	447	21.4 %	-1.8 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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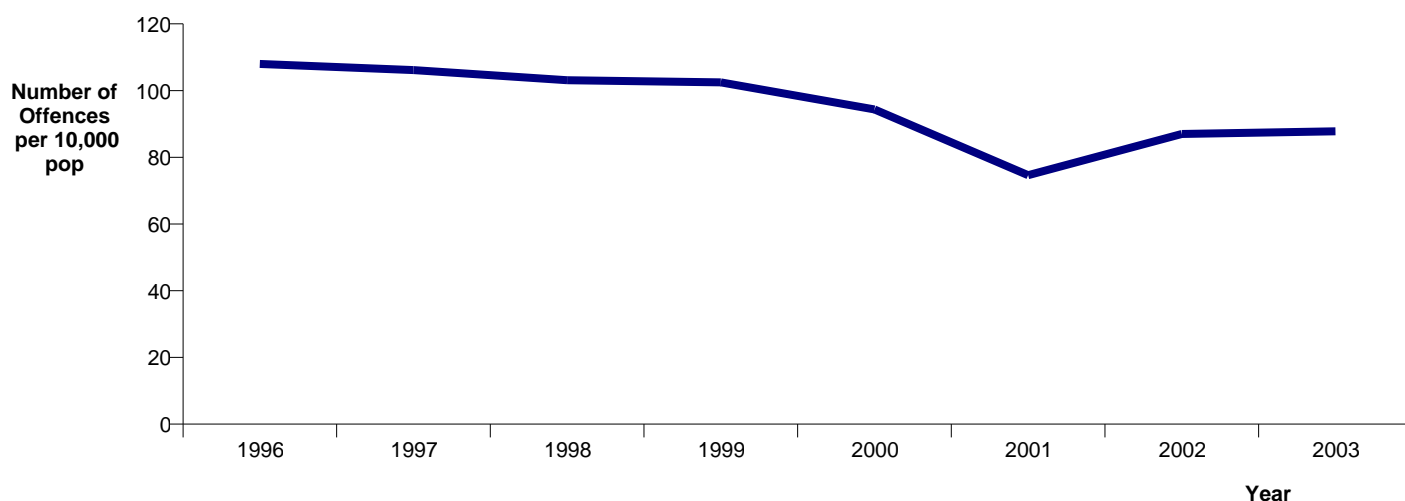
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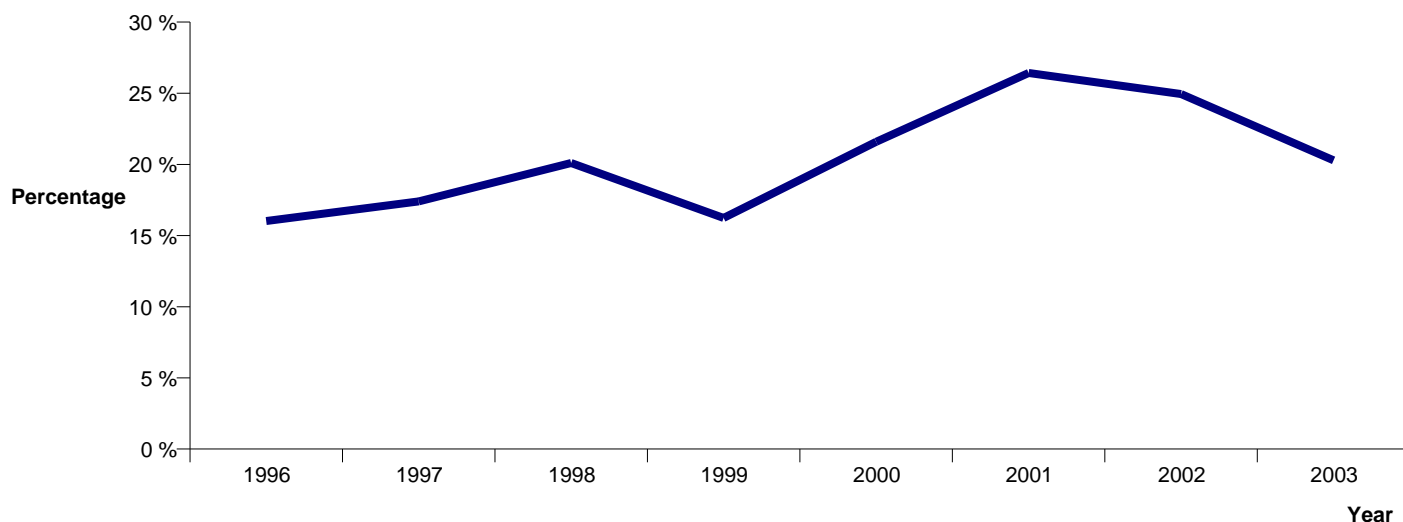
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1996	1504		108.0		241	16.0 %	
1997	1494	-0.7 %	106.1	-1.7 %	260	17.4 %	1.4 %
1998	1463	-2.1 %	103.1	-2.8 %	294	20.1 %	2.7 %
1999	1460	-0.2 %	102.5	-0.6 %	237	16.2 %	-3.9 %
2000	1348	-7.7 %	94.4	-7.9 %	291	21.6 %	5.4 %
2001	1067	-20.8 %	74.6	-20.9 %	282	26.4 %	4.8 %
2002	1251	17.2 %	87.0	16.6 %	312	24.9 %	-1.5 %
2003	1272	1.7 %	87.8	0.9 %	258	20.3 %	-4.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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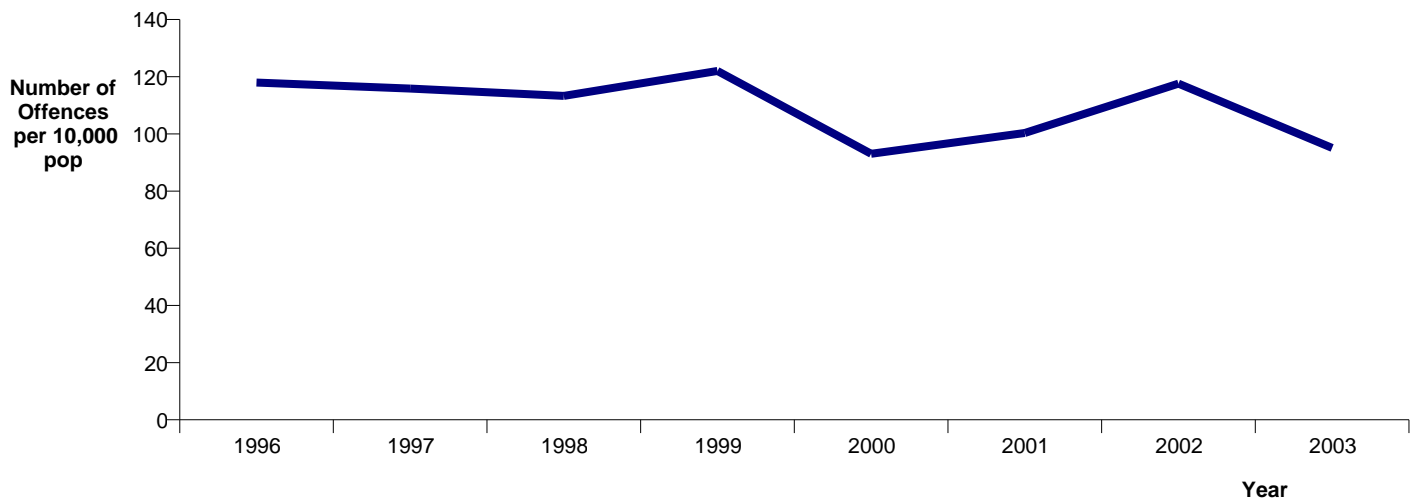


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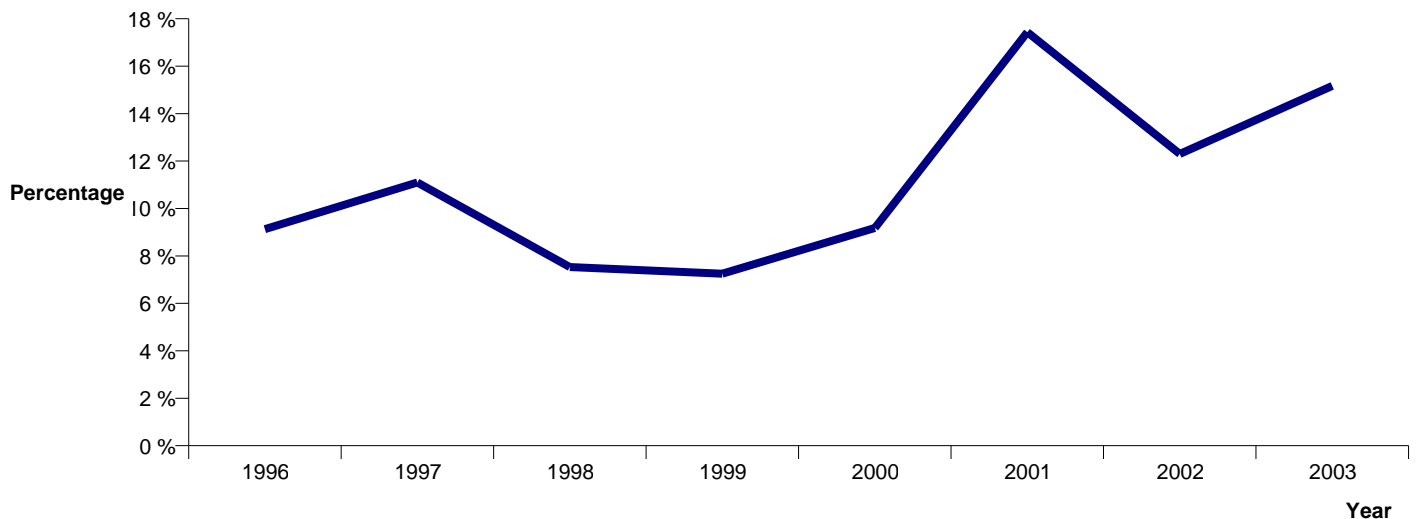
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1996	1643		118.0		150	9.1 %	
1997	1631	-0.7 %	115.9	-1.8 %	181	11.1 %	2.0 %
1998	1607	-1.5 %	113.3	-2.2 %	121	7.5 %	-3.6 %
1999	1738	8.2 %	122.0	7.7 %	126	7.2 %	-0.3 %
2000	1329	-23.5 %	93.0	-23.7 %	122	9.2 %	1.9 %
2001	1434	7.9 %	100.3	7.8 %	250	17.4 %	8.3 %
2002	1691	17.9 %	117.6	17.2 %	208	12.3 %	-5.1 %
2003	1378	-18.5 %	95.1	-19.1 %	209	15.2 %	2.9 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



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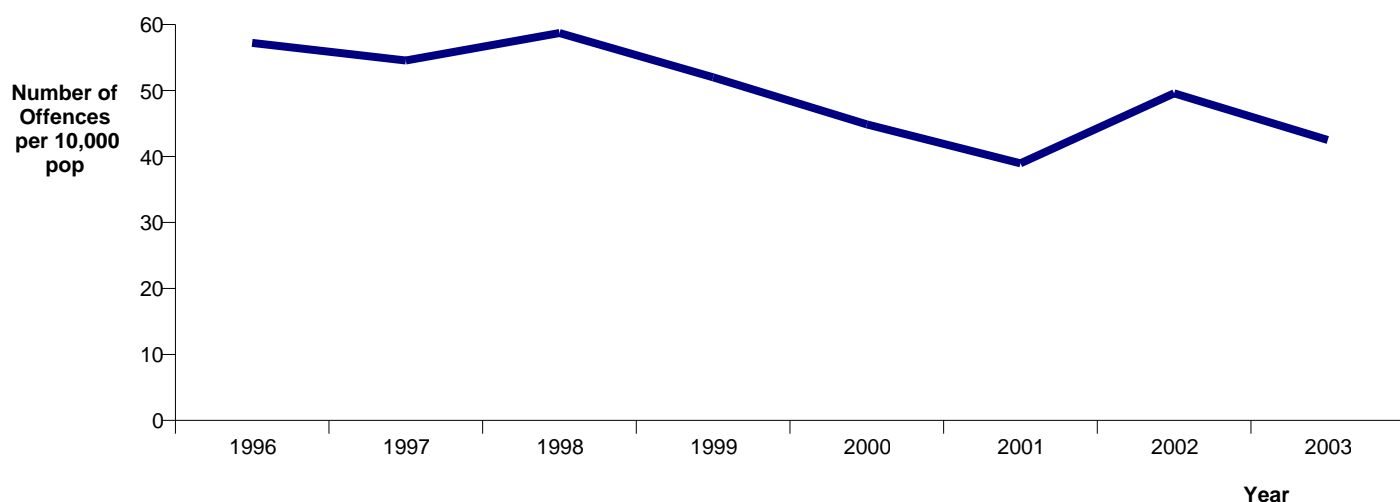


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CAR THEFT & UNLAWFUL TAKING/CONVERSION OF MOTOR VEHICLES *

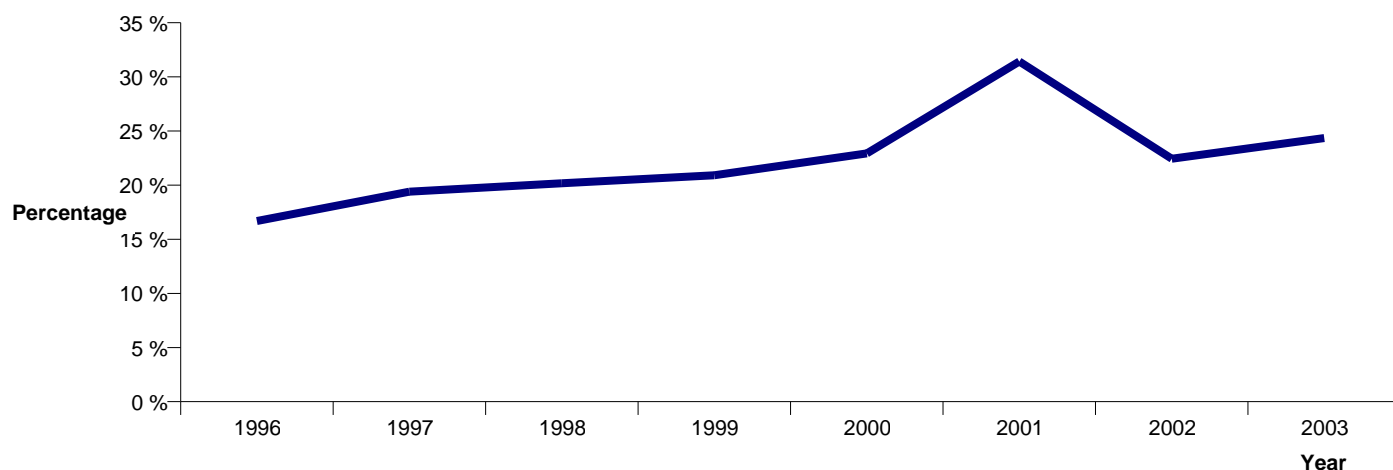
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1996	797		57.2		133	16.7 %	
1997	768	-3.6 %	54.6	-4.7 %	149	19.4 %	2.7 %
1998	833	8.5 %	58.7	7.6 %	168	20.2 %	0.8 %
1999	741	-11.0 %	52.0	-11.4 %	155	20.9 %	0.7 %
2000	641	-13.5 %	44.9	-13.7 %	147	22.9 %	2.0 %
2001	557	-13.1 %	39.0	-13.2 %	175	31.4 %	8.5 %
2002	713	28.0 %	49.6	27.3 %	160	22.4 %	-9.0 %
2003	616	-13.6 %	42.5	-14.3 %	150	24.4 %	1.9 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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* Note that Figures presented on this page refer to a broader definition of offences than was included in previous years. Previously only offences against section 226 of the Crimes Act 1961 were included. This year theft of motor vehicle under section 223 of the Crimes Act 1961 has also been included.

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.

Calendar Years	Population Estimate as at 31 December
1996	139,280
1997	140,760
1998	141,870
1999	142,460
2000	142,850
2001	142,960
2002	143,810
2003	144,900