# SOUTHERN 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 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 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 OFENCES 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	155	180	198	16.1 %	10.0 %	128	153	159	82.6 %	85.0 %	80.3 %
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	46	96	63	108.7 %	-34.4 %	34	68	47	73.9 %	70.8 %	74.6 %
	HOMICIDE	1100	9	3	5	-66.7 %	66.7 %	8	1	5	88.9 %	33.3 %	100.0 %
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	618	619	699	0.2 %	12.9 %	479	500	579	77.5 %	80.8 %	82.8 %
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	4	12	7	200.0 %	-41.7 %	3	8	6	75.0 %	66.7 %	85.7 %
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	992	1026	1105	3.4 %	7.7 %	711	804	919	71.7 %	78.4 %	83.2 %
	ROBBERY	1300	40	37	56	-7.5 %	51.4 %	17	19	28	42.5 %	51.4 %	50.0 %
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	907	1019	1040	12.3 %	2.1 %	700	833	870	77.2 %	81.7 %	83.7 %
Total:			2771	2992	3173	8.0 %	6.0 %	2080	2386	2613	75.1 %	79.7 %	82.4 %

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
SEXUAL OFFENCES	ABNORMAL SEX	2700	9	3	4	-66.7 %	33.3 %	9	2	4	100.0 %	66.7 %	100.0 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	17	19	32	11.8 %	68.4 %	8	14	25	47.1 %	73.7 %	78.1 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	7	10	16	42.9 %	60.0 %	5	6	8	71.4 %	60.0 %	50.0 %
	INDECENT VIDEOS	2500											
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	38	65	49	71.1 %	-24.6 %	17	36	29	44.7 %	55.4 %	59.2 %
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	120	165	125	37.5 %	-24.2 %	64	102	59	53.3 %	61.8 %	47.2 %
Total:		-	191	262	226	37.2 %	-13.7 %	103	160	125	53.9 %	61.1 %	55.3 %

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 (	DISORDER	3500	2066	2288	2769	10.7 %	21.0 %	1805	2052	2513	87.4 %	89.7 %	90.8 %
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	1493	1834	1921	22.8 %	4.7 %	1374	1745	1822	92.0 %	95.1 %	94.8 %
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			8					8			100.0 %
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	137	157	169	14.6 %	7.6 %	114	147	153	83.2 %	93.6 %	90.5 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	16	18	18	12.5 %	0.0 %	10	14	15	62.5 %	77.8 %	83.3 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	247	285	247	15.4 %	-13.3 %	190	227	217	76.9 %	79.6 %	87.9 %
	GAMING	3400	2	2	6	0.0 %	200.0 %	1	2	4	50.0 %	100.0 %	66.7 %
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	155	299	516	92.9 %	72.6 %	120	276	498	77.4 %	92.3 %	96.5 %
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	6	5	7	-16.7 %	40.0 %	4	5	6	66.7 %	100.0 %	85.7 %
Total:			4122	4888	5661	18.6 %	15.8 %	3618	4468	5236	87.8 %	91.4 %	92.5 %

# 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	2474	2619	2422	5.9 %	-7.5 %	561	639	562	22.7 %	24.4 %	23.2 %
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	1859	1827	2243	-1.7 %	22.8 %	523	483	875	28.1 %	26.4 %	39.0 %
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			13					8			61.5 %
	FRAUD	4500	1043	1087	971	4.2 %	-10.7 %	677	687	606	64.9 %	63.2 %	62.4 %
	RECEIVING	4400	129	143	150	10.9 %	4.9 %	126	138	140	97.7 %	96.5 %	93.3 %
	THEFT	4300	9328	9418	9224	1.0 %	-2.1 %	2261	2350	2614	24.2 %	25.0 %	28.3 %
Total:			14833	15094	15023	1.8 %	-0.5 %	4148	4297	4805	28.0 %	28.5 %	32.0 %

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	4483	4844	4859	8.1 %	0.3 %	1061	1114	1273	23.7 %	23.0 %	26.2 %
-	ENDANGERING	5200	54	66	73	22.2 %	10.6 %	45	48	56	83.3 %	72.7 %	76.7 %
Total		-	4537	4910	4932	8.2 %	0.4 %	1106	1162	1329	24.4 %	23.7 %	26.9 %

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
PROPERTY ABUSES	ANIMALS	6300	53	47	46	-11.3 %	-2.1 %	25	22	20	47.2 %	46.8 %	43.5 %
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	164	229	235	39.6 %	2.6 %	127	178	201	77.4 %	77.7 %	85.5 %
	LITTERING	6200	135	101	103	-25.2 %	2.0 %	77	79	87	57.0 %	78.2 %	84.5 %
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	488	469	426	-3.9 %	-9.2 %	269	269	242	55.1 %	57.4 %	56.8 %
	TRESPASS	6100	856	1169	1135	36.6 %	-2.9 %	543	822	811	63.4 %	70.3 %	71.5 %
Total:			1696	2015	1945	18.8 %	-3.5 %	1041	1370	1361	61.4 %	68.0 %	70.0 %

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	472	509	791	7.8 %	55.4 %	411	439	715	87.1 %	86.2 %	90.4 %
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500											
-	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200		3			-100.0 %		2		-	66.7 %	
-	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	80	69	101	-13.8 %	46.4 %	52	46	55	65.0 %	66.7 %	54.5 %
-	IMMIGRATION	7300	2	7	7	250.0 %	0.0 %	2	7	5	100.0 %	100.0 %	71.4 %
Total:			554	588	899	6.1 %	52.9 %	465	494	775	83.9 %	84.0 %	86.2 %

TOTAL 28,704   30,749   31,859   7.1 %   3.6 %   12,561   14,337   16,244   43.8 %   46.6 %   51.0 %	TOTAL			28,704	30,749	31,859	7.1 %	3.6 %	12,561	14,337	16,244	43.8 %	46.6 %	51.0 %
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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
Dunedin	981.9	969.0	1,003.8	-1.3 %	3.6 %
Otago Rural	983.4	1,176.7	1,204.7	19.7 %	2.4 %
Southland	1,074.2	1,172.0	1,191.1	9.1 %	1.6 %
TOTAL	1,013.3	1,076.6	1,105.1	6.2 %	2.7 %

# DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORIES

# 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	5.5	6.3	6.9
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	1.6	3.4	2.2
	HOMICIDE	1100	0.3	0.1	0.2
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	21.8	21.7	24.2
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	0.1	0.4	0.2
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	35.0	35.9	38.3
	ROBBERY	1300	1.4	1.3	1.9
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	32.0	35.7	36.1
VIOLENCE			97.8	104.8	110.1

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	0.3	0.1	0.1
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	0.6	0.7	1.1
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	0.2	0.4	0.6
	INDECENT VIDEOS	2500			
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	1.3	2.3	1.7
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	4.2	5.8	4.3
SEXUAL OFFENCES			6.7	9.2	7.8

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	72.9	80.1	96.1
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	52.7	64.2	66.6
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			0.3
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	4.8	5.5	5.9
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	0.6	0.6	0.6
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	8.7	10.0	8.6
	GAMING	3400	0.1	0.1	0.2
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	5.5	10.5	17.9
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	0.2	0.2	0.2
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES			145.5	171.1	196.4

# DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORIES

# 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	87.3	91.7	84.0
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	65.6	64.0	77.8
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			0.5
	FRAUD	4500	36.8	38.1	33.7
	RECEIVING	4400	4.6	5.0	5.2
	THEFT	4300	329.3	329.8	320.0
DISHONESTY		-	523.7	528.5	521.1

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	158.3	169.6	168.6
	ENDANGERING	5200	1.9	2.3	2.5
PROPERTY DAMAGE			160.2	171.9	171.1

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	1.9	1.6	1.6
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	5.8	8.0	8.2
	LITTERING	6200	4.8	3.5	3.6
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	17.2	16.4	14.8
	TRESPASS	6100	30.2	40.9	39.4
PROPERTY ABUSES			59.9	70.6	67.5

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
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	16.7	17.8	27.4
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500		-	
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200		0.1	
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	2.8	2.4	3.5
	IMMIGRATION	7300	0.1	0.2	0.2
ADMINISTRATIVE			19.6	20.6	31.2

# DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORIES

# Years ending 30 June

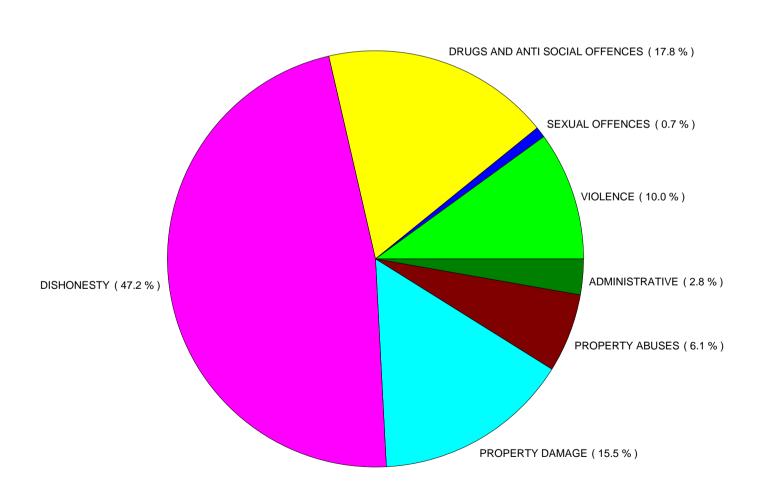
Offence Category	Offence Class	Offer Clas Coo	Recorded per 10,000 s popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
TOTAL			1013.3	1076.6	1105.1

#### PROPORTION OF RECORDED CRIME BY CATEGORIES

Years ending 31 December

Offence Category Description	Proportions Recorded 2001	Recorded 2001	Proportions Recorded 2002	Recorded 2002	Proportions Recorded 2003	Recorded 2003
VIOLENCE	9.7 %	2,771	9.7 %	2,992	10.0 %	3,173
SEXUAL OFFENCES	0.7 %	191	0.9 %	262	0.7 %	226
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	14.4 %	4,122	15.9 %	4,888	17.8 %	5,661
DISHONESTY	51.7 %	14,833	49.1 %	15,094	47.2 %	15,023
PROPERTY DAMAGE	15.8 %	4,537	16.0 %	4,910	15.5 %	4,932
PROPERTY ABUSES	5.9 %	1,696	6.6 %	2,015	6.1 %	1,945
ADMINISTRATIVE	1.9 %	554	1.9 %	588	2.8 %	899
Total:	100.0 %	28,704	100.0 %	30,749	100.0 %	31,859

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



# **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
Dunedin	13,212	13,128	-0.6 %	13687	4.3 %	5,529	41.8 %	5,832	44.4 %	6,603	48.2 %
Otago Rural	5,213	6,405	22.9 %	6720	4.9 %	2,493	47.8 %	3,455	53.9 %	3,664	54.5 %
Southland	10,279	11,216	9.1 %	11452	2.1 %	4,539	44.2 %	5,050	45.0 %	5,977	52.2 %
Total:	28,704	30,749	7.1 %	31,859	3.6 %	12,561	43.8 %	14,337	46.6 %	16,244	51.0 %

# 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
Dunedin	1,384	1,354	-2.2 %	1,547	14.3 %	978	70.7 %	1,045	77.2 %	1,263	81.6 %
Otago Rural	453	636	40.4 %	575	-9.6 %	380	83.9 %	547	86.0 %	471	81.9 %
Southland	934	1,002	7.3 %	1,051	4.9 %	722	77.3 %	794	79.2 %	879	83.6 %
Total:	2,771	2,992	8.0 %	3,173	6.0 %	2,080	75.1 %	2,386	79.7 %	2,613	82.4 %

# 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
Dunedin	80	93	16.3 %	109	17.2 %	34	42.5 %	49	52.7 %	56	51.4 %
Otago Rural	36	51	41.7 %	33	-35.3 %	19	52.8 %	29	56.9 %	21	63.6 %
Southland	75	118	57.3 %	84	-28.8 %	50	66.7 %	82	69.5 %	48	57.1 %
Total:	191	262	37.2 %	226	-13.7 %	103	53.9 %	160	61.1 %	125	55.3 %

# 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
Dunedin	1,843	2,037	10.5 %	2,352	15.5 %	1,613	87.5 %	1,878	92.2 %	2,177	92.6 %
Otago Rural	867	1,289	48.7 %	1,439	11.6 %	757	87.3 %	1,185	91.9 %	1,316	91.5 %
Southland	1,412	1,562	10.6 %	1,870	19.7 %	1,248	88.4 %	1,405	89.9 %	1,743	93.2 %
Total:	4,122	4,888	18.6 %	5,661	15.8 %	3,618	87.8 %	4,468	91.4 %	5,236	92.5 %

# 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
Dunedin	7,154	6,779	-5.2 %	6,515	-3.9 %	1,919	26.8 %	1,805	26.6 %	1,798	27.6 %
Otago Rural	2,552	2,765	8.3 %	2,779	0.5 %	712	27.9 %	825	29.8 %	873	31.4 %
Southland	5,127	5,550	8.3 %	5,729	3.2 %	1,517	29.6 %	1,667	30.0 %	2,134	37.2 %
Total:	14,833	15,094	1.8 %	15,023	-0.5 %	4,148	28.0 %	4,297	28.5 %	4,805	32.0 %

# 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
Dunedin	1,881	1,931	2.7 %	2,052	6.3 %	439	23.3 %	407	21.1 %	515	25.1 %
Otago Rural	744	865	16.3 %	1,036	19.8 %	206	27.7 %	256	29.6 %	322	31.1 %
Southland	1,912	2,114	10.6 %	1,844	-12.8 %	461	24.1 %	499	23.6 %	492	26.7 %
Total:	4,537	4,910	8.2 %	4,932	0.4 %	1,106	24.4 %	1,162	23.7 %	1,329	26.9 %

# 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
Dunedin	717	807	12.6 %	765	-5.2 %	423	59.0 %	563	69.8 %	496	64.8 %
Otago Rural	410	599	46.1 %	598	-0.2 %	283	69.0 %	421	70.3 %	443	74.1 %
Southland	569	609	7.0 %	582	-4.4 %	335	58.9 %	386	63.4 %	422	72.5 %
Total:	1,696	2,015	18.8 %	1,945	-3.5 %	1,041	61.4 %	1,370	68.0 %	1,361	70.0 %

# Years ending 31 December

# ADMINISTRATIVE

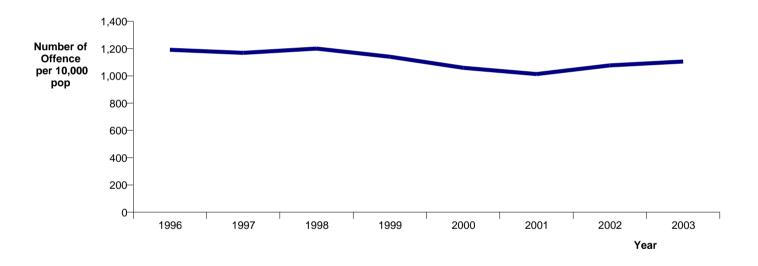
Area Description	Recorded 2001	Recorded 2002	% Variance 01-02	Recorded 2003	% Variance 02-03	Resolved 2001	Percent Resolved 2001	Resolved 2002	Percent Resolved 2002	Resolved 2003	Percent Resolved 2003
Dunedin	153	127	-17.0 %	347	173.2 %	123	80.4 %	85	66.9 %	298	85.9 %
Otago Rural	151	200	32.5 %	260	30.0 %	136	90.1 %	192	96.0 %	218	83.8 %
Southland	250	261	4.4 %	292	11.9 %	206	82.4 %	217	83.1 %	259	88.7 %
Total:	554	588	6.1 %	899	52.9 %	465	83.9 %	494	84.0 %	775	86.2 %

# RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES Years ending 31 December

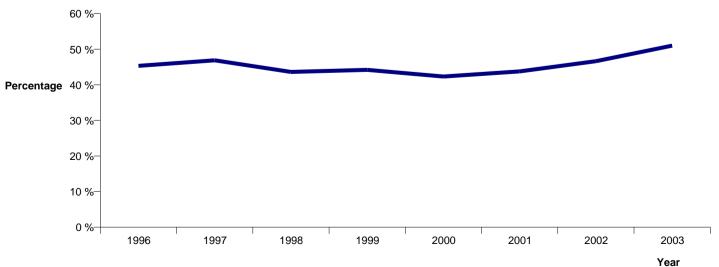
# **TOTAL CRIME**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL RECORDED OFFENCES	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES		VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	TOTAL RESOLVED OFFENCES	RESOLUTION RATE	VARIATION IN RESOLUTION RATE
1996	34577		1,191.4		15665	45.3 %	
1997	33719	-2.5 %	1,168.7	-1.9 %	15802	46.9 %	1.6 %
1998	34353	1.9 %	1,200.1	2.7 %	14981	43.6 %	-3.3 %
1999	32341	-5.9 %	1,140.4	-5.0 %	14294	44.2 %	0.6 %
2000	29930	-7.5 %	1,059.3	-7.1 %	12665	42.3 %	-1.9 %
2001	28704	-4.1 %	1,013.3	-4.3 %	12561	43.8 %	1.4 %
2002	30749	7.1 %	1,076.6	6.2 %	14337	46.6 %	2.9 %
2003	31859	3.6 %	1,105.1	2.7 %	16244	51.0 %	4.4 %

#### Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



# Resolution Rate

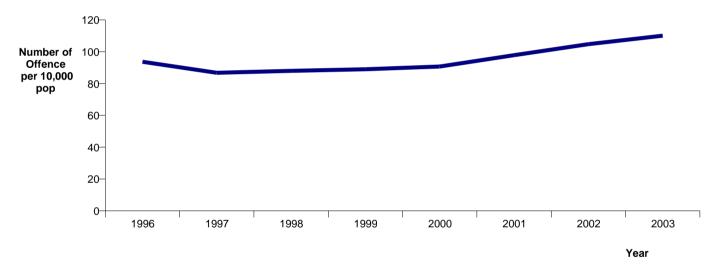


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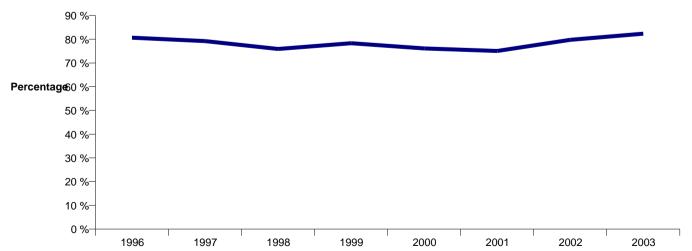
# **VIOLENCE**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	2719		93.7		2193	80.7 %	
1997	2503	-7.9 %	86.8	-7.4 %	1983	79.2 %	-1.4 %
1998	2519	0.6 %	88.0	1.4 %	1912	75.9 %	-3.3 %
1999	2524	0.2 %	89.0	1.1 %	1977	78.3 %	2.4 %
2000	2563	1.5 %	90.7	1.9 %	1951	76.1 %	-2.2 %
2001	2771	8.1 %	97.8	7.8 %	2080	75.1 %	-1.1 %
2002	2992	8.0 %	104.8	7.1 %	2386	79.7 %	4.7 %
2003	3173	6.0 %	110.1	5.1 %	2613	82.4 %	2.6 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

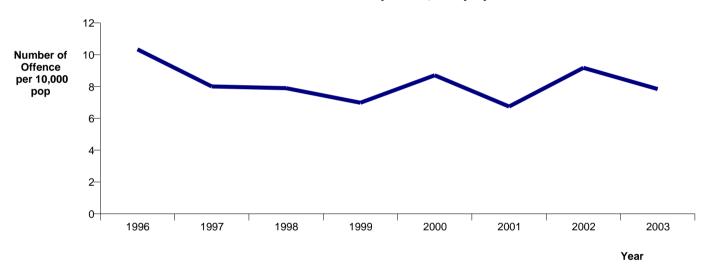


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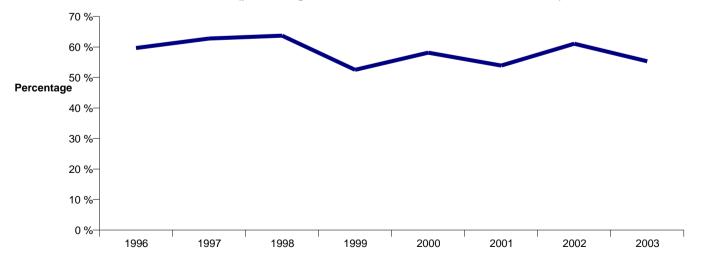
# **SEXUAL OFFENCES**

	CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
I	1996	300		10.3	-	179	59.7 %	
ı	1997	231	-23.0 %	8.0	-22.5 %	145	62.8 %	3.1 %
ı	1998	226	-2.2 %	7.9	-1.4 %	144	63.7 %	0.9 %
l	1999	198	-12.4 %	7.0	-11.6 %	104	52.5 %	-11.2 %
l	2000	246	24.2 %	8.7	24.7 %	143	58.1 %	5.6 %
l	2001	191	-22.4 %	6.7	-22.6 %	103	53.9 %	-4.2 %
ı	2002	262	37.2 %	9.2	36.0 %	160	61.1 %	7.1 %
I	2003	226	-13.7 %	7.8	-14.5 %	125	55.3 %	-5.8 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

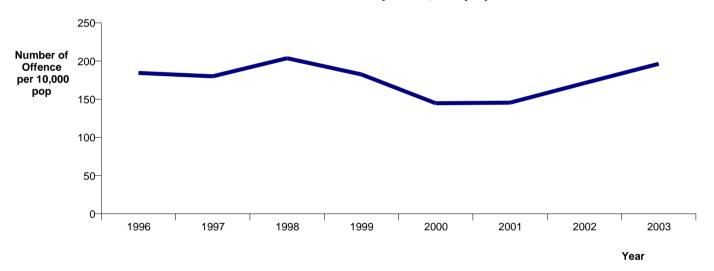


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# DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES

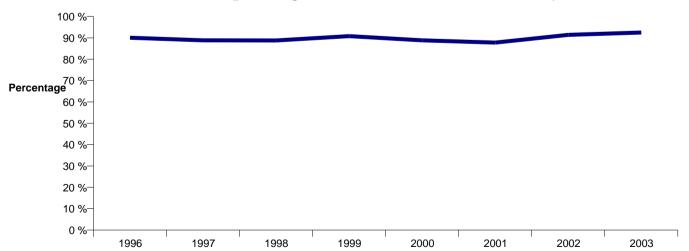
CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL RECORDED OFFENCES	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES	RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	TOTAL RESOLVED OFFENCES	RESOLUTION RATE	VARIATION IN RESOLUTION RATE
1996	5353		184.4		4821	90.1 %	
1997	5194	-3.0 %	180.0	-2.4 %	4614	88.8 %	-1.2 %
1998	5831	12.3 %	203.7	13.1 %	5177	88.8 %	-0.0 %
1999	5176	-11.2 %	182.5	-10.4 %	4700	90.8 %	2.0 %
2000	4090	-21.0 %	144.8	-20.7 %	3633	88.8 %	-2.0 %
2001	4122	0.8 %	145.5	0.5 %	3618	87.8 %	-1.1 %
2002	4888	18.6 %	171.1	17.6 %	4468	91.4 %	3.6 %
2003	5661	15.8 %	196.4	14.7 %	5236	92.5 %	1.1 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



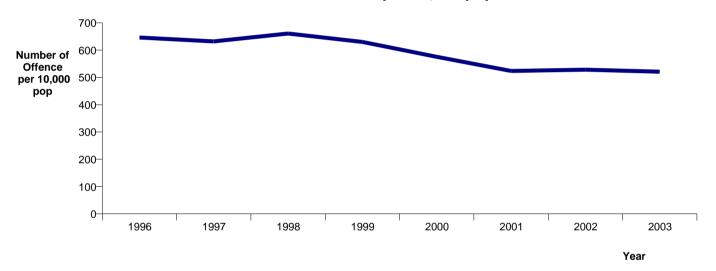
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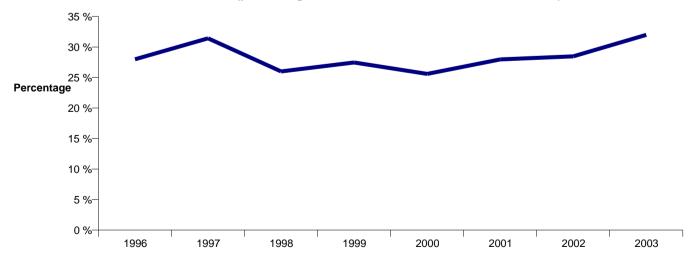
# **DISHONESTY**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	18756		646.3	_	5249	28.0 %	
1997	18238	-2.8 %	632.1	-2.2 %	5731	31.4 %	3.4 %
1998	18923	3.8 %	661.0	4.6 %	4919	26.0 %	-5.4 %
1999	17868	-5.6 %	630.1	-4.7 %	4907	27.5 %	1.5 %
2000	16266	-9.0 %	575.7	-8.6 %	4163	25.6 %	-1.9 %
2001	14833	-8.8 %	523.7	-9.0 %	4148	28.0 %	2.4 %
2002	15094	1.8 %	528.5	0.9 %	4297	28.5 %	0.5 %
2003	15023	-0.5 %	521.1	-1.4 %	4805	32.0 %	3.5 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

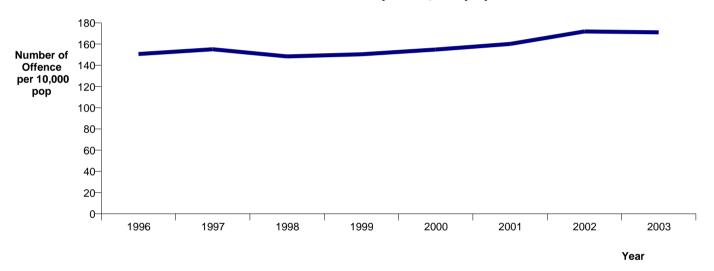


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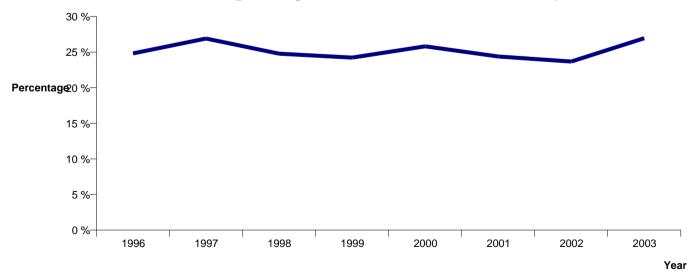
# **PROPERTY DAMAGE**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	4373		150.7	_	1085	24.8 %	
1997	4475	2.3 %	155.1	2.9 %	1204	26.9 %	2.1 %
1998	4247	-5.1 %	148.4	-4.3 %	1052	24.8 %	-2.1 %
1999	4265	0.4 %	150.4	1.4 %	1033	24.2 %	-0.6 %
2000	4375	2.6 %	154.8	3.0 %	1129	25.8 %	1.6 %
2001	4537	3.7 %	160.2	3.4 %	1106	24.4 %	-1.4 %
2002	4910	8.2 %	171.9	7.3 %	1162	23.7 %	-0.7 %
2003	4932	0.4 %	171.1	-0.5 %	1329	26.9 %	3.3 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

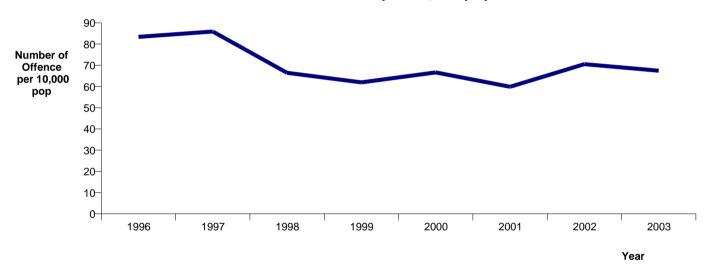


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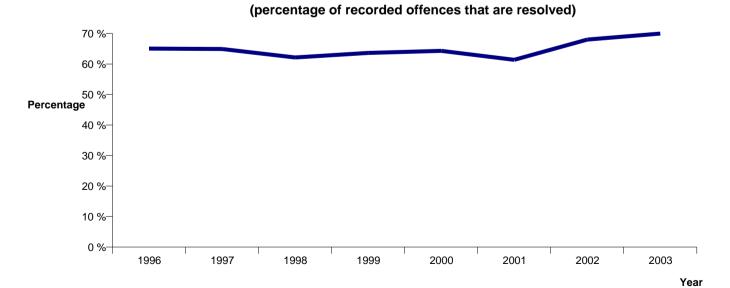
# **PROPERTY ABUSES**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	2421		83.4		1575	65.1 %	
1997	2479	2.4 %	85.9	3.0 %	1609	64.9 %	-0.2 %
1998	1902	-23.3 %	66.4	-22.7 %	1182	62.1 %	-2.8 %
1999	1757	-7.6 %	62.0	-6.8 %	1118	63.6 %	1.5 %
2000	1883	7.2 %	66.6	7.6 %	1211	64.3 %	0.7 %
2001	1696	-9.9 %	59.9	-10.2 %	1041	61.4 %	-2.9 %
2002	2015	18.8 %	70.6	17.8 %	1370	68.0 %	6.6 %
2003	1945	-3.5 %	67.5	-4.4 %	1361	70.0 %	2.0 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**

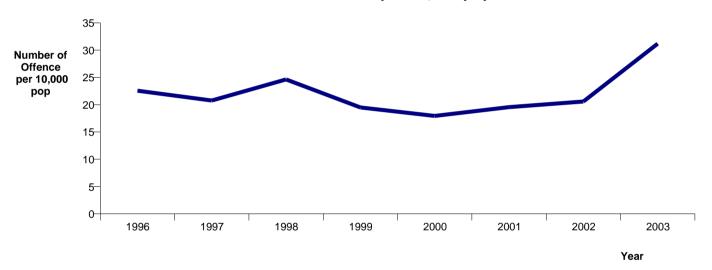


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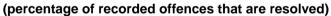
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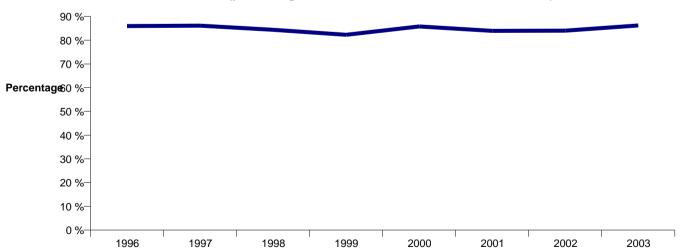
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	1996	655		22.6		563	86.0 %	
	1997	599	-8.5 %	20.8	-8.0 %	516	86.1 %	0.2 %
	1998	705	17.7 %	24.6	18.6 %	595	84.4 %	-1.7 %
	1999	553	-21.6 %	19.5	-20.8 %	455	82.3 %	-2.1 %
	2000	507	-8.3 %	17.9	-8.0 %	435	85.8 %	3.5 %
	2001	554	9.3 %	19.6	9.0 %	465	83.9 %	-1.9 %
	2002	588	6.1 %	20.6	5.3 %	494	84.0 %	0.1 %
	2003	899	52.9 %	31.2	51.5 %	775	86.2 %	2.2 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**





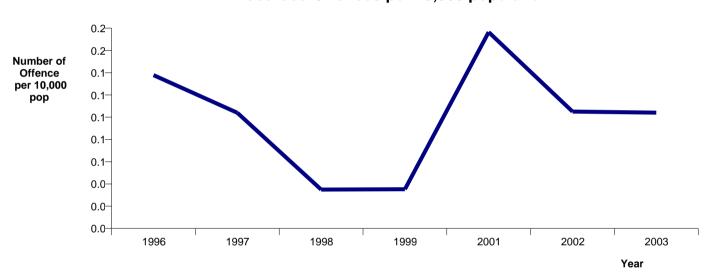
# RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES FOR SELECTED OFFENCES

Years ending 31 December

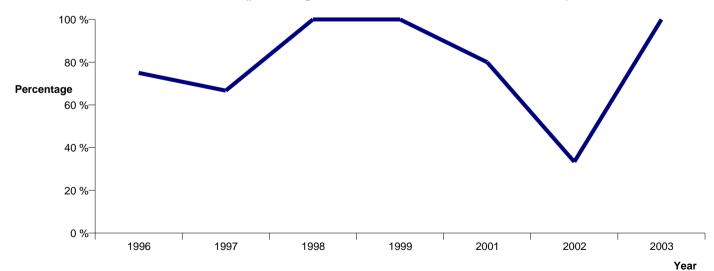
**MURDER** \*

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL RECORDED OFFENCES	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES		VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	TOTAL RESOLVED OFFENCES	RESOLUTION RATE	VARIATION IN RESOLUTION RATE
1996	4		0.1		3	75.0 %	
1997	3	-25.0 %	0.1	-24.6 %	2	66.7 %	-8.3 %
1998	1	-66.7 %	0.0	-66.4 %	1	100.0 %	33.3 %
1999	1	0.0 %	0.0	0.9 %	1	100.0 %	0.0 %
2001	5	400.0 %	0.2	400.6 %	4	80.0 %	-20.0 %
2002	3	-40.0 %	0.1	-40.5 %	1	33.3 %	-46.7 %
2003	3	0.0 %	0.1	-0.9 %	3	100.0 %	66.7 %

#### Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### Resolution Rate



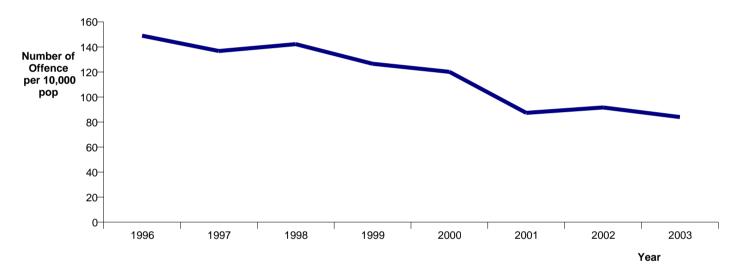
<sup>\*</sup> Note that 'Murder' is a sub-class of the Police offence class 'Homicide'

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

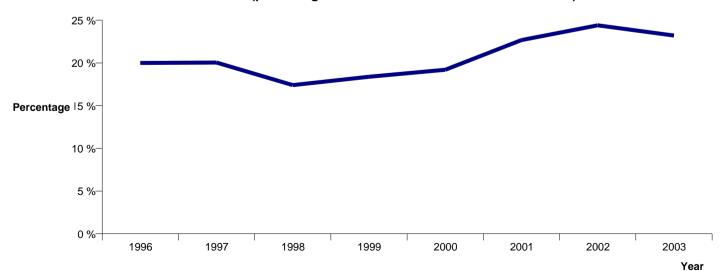
# BURGLARY

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL RECORDED OFFENCES	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES		VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	TOTAL RESOLVED OFFENCES	RESOLUTION RATE	VARIATION IN RESOLUTION RATE
1996	4325		149.0		865	20.0 %	
1997	3946	-8.8 %	136.8	-8.2 %	791	20.0 %	0.0 %
1998	4073	3.2 %	142.3	4.0 %	709	17.4 %	-2.6 %
1999	3590	-11.9 %	126.6	-11.0 %	660	18.4 %	1.0 %
2000	3395	-5.4 %	120.2	-5.1 %	652	19.2 %	0.8 %
2001	2474	-27.1 %	87.3	-27.3 %	561	22.7 %	3.5 %
2002	2619	5.9 %	91.7	5.0 %	639	24.4 %	1.7 %
2003	2422	-7.5 %	84.0	-8.4 %	562	23.2 %	-1.2 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**



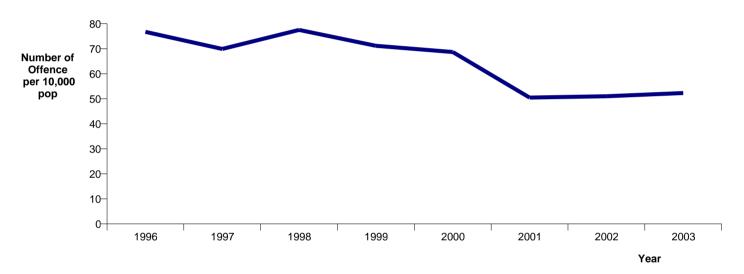
# RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES FOR SELECTED OFFENCES

Years ending 31 December

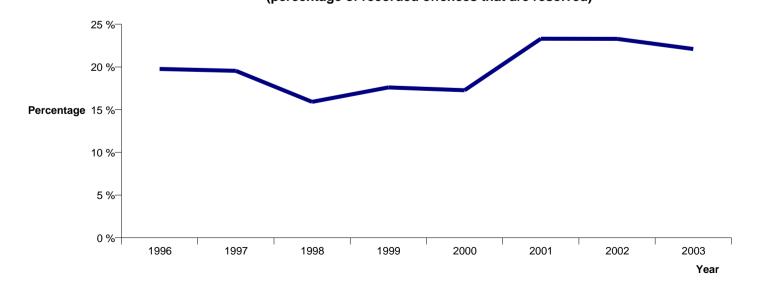
# **DWELLING BURGLARY**

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	2226		76.7		440	19.8 %	
1997	2016	-9.4 %	69.9	-8.9 %	394	19.5 %	-0.2 %
1998	2218	10.0 %	77.5	10.9 %	353	15.9 %	-3.6 %
1999	2017	-9.1 %	71.1	-8.2 %	355	17.6 %	1.7 %
2000	1940	-3.8 %	68.7	-3.5 %	335	17.3 %	-0.3 %
2001	1429	-26.3 %	50.4	-26.5 %	333	23.3 %	6.0 %
2002	1456	1.9 %	51.0	1.1 %	339	23.3 %	-0.0 %
2003	1507	3.5 %	52.3	2.5 %	333	22.1 %	-1.2 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



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



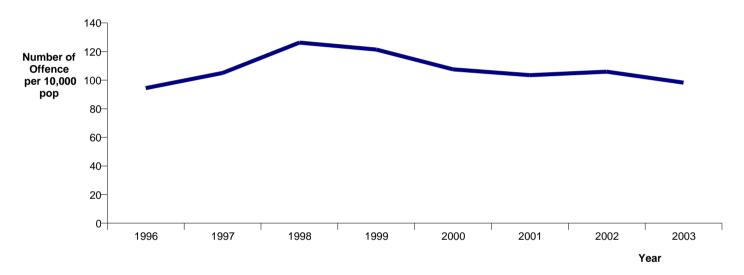
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Years ending 31 December

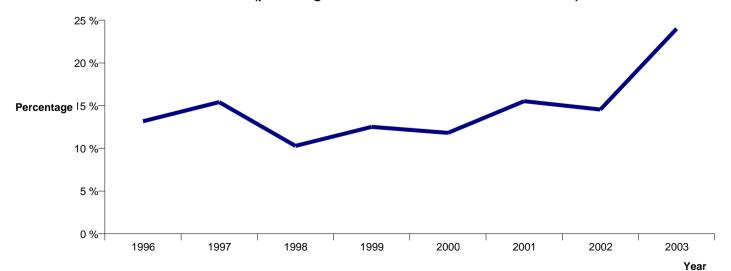
# THEFT EX CAR

LENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	2741		94.4		361	13.2 %	
1997	3030	10.5 %	105.0	11.2 %	467	15.4 %	2.2 %
1998	3614	19.3 %	126.2	20.2 %	372	10.3 %	-5.1 %
1999	3443	-4.7 %	121.4	-3.8 %	431	12.5 %	2.2 %
2000	3039	-11.7 %	107.6	-11.4 %	359	11.8 %	-0.7 %
2001	2931	-3.6 %	103.5	-3.8 %	455	15.5 %	3.7 %
2002	3025	3.2 %	105.9	2.4 %	440	14.5 %	-1.0 %
2003	2833	-6.3 %	98.3	-7.2 %	680	24.0 %	9.5 %

# Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### Resolution Rate

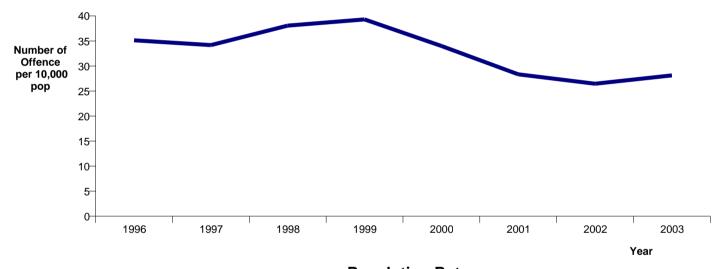


# RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES FOR SELECTED OFFENCES Years ending 31 December

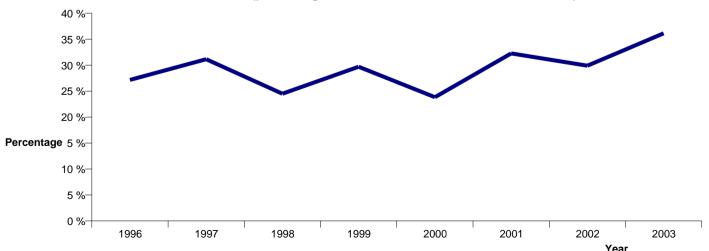
# **CAR THEFT & UNLAWFUL TAKING/CONVERSION OF MOTOR VEHICLES\***

CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL 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
1996	1020		35.1		277	27.2 %	
1997	986	-3.3 %	34.2	-2.8 %	307	31.1 %	4.0 %
1998	1090	10.5 %	38.1	11.4 %	267	24.5 %	-6.6 %
1999	1115	2.3 %	39.3	3.3 %	331	29.7 %	5.2 %
2000	961	-13.8 %	34.0	-13.5 %	229	23.8 %	-5.9 %
2001	803	-16.4 %	28.3	-16.7 %	259	32.3 %	8.4 %
2002	756	-5.9 %	26.5	-6.6 %	226	29.9 %	-2.4 %
2003	811	7.3 %	28.1	6.3 %	293	36.1 %	6.2 %

#### Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



#### **Resolution Rate**



<sup>\*</sup> 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	290,220
1997	288,510
1998	286,260
1999	283,590
2000	282,540
2001	283,260
2002	285,610
2003	288,280