

TASMAN 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 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	76	93	116	22.4 %	24.7 %	65	73	104	85.5 %	78.5 %	89.7 %
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	44	62	60	40.9 %	-3.2 %	29	51	47	65.9 %	82.3 %	78.3 %
	HOMICIDE	1100	6	9	4	50.0 %	-55.6 %	4	8	3	66.7 %	88.9 %	75.0 %
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	381	379	452	-0.5 %	19.3 %	317	308	368	83.2 %	81.3 %	81.4 %
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	5	4	2	-20.0 %	-50.0 %	3	4	2	60.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	597	634	623	6.2 %	-1.7 %	500	537	546	83.8 %	84.7 %	87.6 %
	ROBBERY	1300	18	17	15	-5.6 %	-11.8 %	6	9	6	33.3 %	52.9 %	40.0 %
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	523	499	527	-4.6 %	5.6 %	446	450	479	85.3 %	90.2 %	90.9 %
Total:			1650	1697	1799	2.8 %	6.0 %	1370	1440	1555	83.0 %	84.9 %	86.4 %

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		2	2		0.0 %		2	0		100.0 %	0.0 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2400											
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	19	17	23	-10.5 %	35.3 %	12	12	19	63.2 %	70.6 %	82.6 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	6	4	5	-33.3 %	25.0 %	3	3	3	50.0 %	75.0 %	60.0 %
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	37	18	20	-51.4 %	11.1 %	29	11	9	78.4 %	61.1 %	45.0 %
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	75	84	93	12.0 %	10.7 %	52	60	68	69.3 %	71.4 %	73.1 %
Total:			137	125	143	-8.8 %	14.4 %	96	88	99	70.1 %	70.4 %	69.2 %

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	859	1066	1150	24.1 %	7.9 %	773	930	1031	90.0 %	87.2 %	89.7 %
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	1306	1352	1311	3.5 %	-3.0 %	986	1152	1099	75.5 %	85.2 %	83.8 %
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			15					12			80.0 %
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	71	98	78	38.0 %	-20.4 %	65	87	72	91.5 %	88.8 %	92.3 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	16	19	18	18.8 %	-5.3 %	11	12	16	68.8 %	63.2 %	88.9 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	180	139	128	-22.8 %	-7.9 %	153	119	111	85.0 %	85.6 %	86.7 %
	GAMING	3400	1			-100.0 %		0			0.0 %		
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	83	247	161	197.6 %	-34.8 %	76	243	154	91.6 %	98.4 %	95.7 %
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	6	8	4	33.3 %	-50.0 %	6	8	3	100.0 %	100.0 %	75.0 %
Total:			2522	2929	2865	16.1 %	-2.2 %	2070	2551	2498	82.1 %	87.1 %	87.2 %

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	1462	1479	1278	1.2 %	-13.6 %	306	378	367	20.9 %	25.6 %	28.7 %
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	1065	1109	981	4.1 %	-11.5 %	239	355	274	22.4 %	32.0 %	27.9 %
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			2					1			50.0 %
	FRAUD	4500	491	519	584	5.7 %	12.5 %	333	360	370	67.8 %	69.4 %	63.4 %
	RECEIVING	4400	100	91	94	-9.0 %	3.3 %	98	89	93	98.0 %	97.8 %	98.9 %
	THEFT	4300	4726	4733	4575	0.1 %	-3.3 %	1205	1241	1317	25.5 %	26.2 %	28.8 %
Total:			7844	7931	7514	1.1 %	-5.3 %	2181	2423	2422	27.8 %	30.6 %	32.2 %

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	2235	2342	2726	4.8 %	16.4 %	609	583	661	27.2 %	24.9 %	24.2 %
	ENDANGERING	5200	9	11	18	22.2 %	63.6 %	4	8	11	44.4 %	72.7 %	61.1 %
Total:			2244	2353	2744	4.9 %	16.6 %	613	591	672	27.3 %	25.1 %	24.5 %

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
PROPERTY ABUSES	ANIMALS	6300	33	36	43	9.1 %	19.4 %	13	16	21	39.4 %	44.4 %	48.8 %
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	123	167	169	35.8 %	1.2 %	99	138	141	80.5 %	82.6 %	83.4 %
	LITTERING	6200	34	34	35	0.0 %	2.9 %	25	24	25	73.5 %	70.6 %	71.4 %
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	277	319	289	15.2 %	-9.4 %	144	166	180	52.0 %	52.0 %	62.3 %
	TRESPASS	6100	531	587	588	10.5 %	0.2 %	390	438	467	73.4 %	74.6 %	79.4 %
Total:			998	1143	1124	14.5 %	-1.7 %	671	782	834	67.2 %	68.4 %	74.2 %

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	486	515	639	6.0 %	24.1 %	405	443	578	83.3 %	86.0 %	90.5 %
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500											
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200											
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	25	29	23	16.0 %	-20.7 %	22	13	12	88.0 %	44.8 %	52.2 %
	IMMIGRATION	7300	1	4	22	300.0 %	450.0 %	1	0	20	100.0 %	0.0 %	90.9 %
Total:			512	548	684	7.0 %	24.8 %	428	456	610	83.6 %	83.2 %	89.2 %

TOTAL			15,907	16,726	16,873	5.1 %	0.9 %	7,429	8,331	8,690	46.7 %	49.8 %	51.5 %
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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
Marlborough	1,080.5	1,118.5	1,180.0	3.5 %	5.5 %
Nelson Bays	946.0	999.8	924.4	5.7 %	-7.5 %
West Coast	980.7	980.9	1,073.2	0.0 %	9.4 %
TOTAL	989.8	1,028.8	1,022.2	3.9 %	-0.6 %

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	4.7	5.7	7.0
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	2.7	3.8	3.6
	HOMICIDE	1100	0.4	0.6	0.2
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	23.7	23.3	27.4
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	0.3	0.2	0.1
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	37.1	39.0	37.7
	ROBBERY	1300	1.1	1.0	0.9
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	32.5	30.7	31.9
VIOLENCE			102.7	104.4	109.0

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
SEXUAL OFFENCES	ABNORMAL SEX	2700		0.1	0.1
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2400			
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	1.2	1.0	1.4
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	0.4	0.2	0.3
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	2.3	1.1	1.2
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	4.7	5.2	5.6
SEXUAL OFFENCES			8.5	7.7	8.7

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	53.5	65.6	69.7
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	81.3	83.2	79.4
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			0.9
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	4.4	6.0	4.7
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	1.0	1.2	1.1
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	11.2	8.6	7.8
	GAMING	3400	0.1		
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	5.2	15.2	9.8
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	0.4	0.5	0.2
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES			156.9	180.2	173.6

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	91.0	91.0	77.4
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	66.3	68.2	59.4
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			0.1
	FRAUD	4500	30.6	31.9	35.4
	RECEIVING	4400	6.2	5.6	5.7
	THEFT	4300	294.1	291.1	277.2
DISHONESTY			488.1	487.9	455.2

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	139.1	144.1	165.2
	ENDANGERING	5200	0.6	0.7	1.1
PROPERTY DAMAGE			139.6	144.7	166.2

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	2.1	2.2	2.6
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	7.7	10.3	10.2
	LITTERING	6200	2.1	2.1	2.1
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	17.2	19.6	17.5
	TRESPASS	6100	33.0	36.1	35.6
PROPERTY ABUSES			62.1	70.3	68.1

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
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	30.2	31.7	38.7
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500			
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200			
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	1.6	1.8	1.4
	IMMIGRATION	7300	0.1	0.2	1.3
ADMINISTRATIVE			31.9	33.7	41.4

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORIES

Years ending 30 June

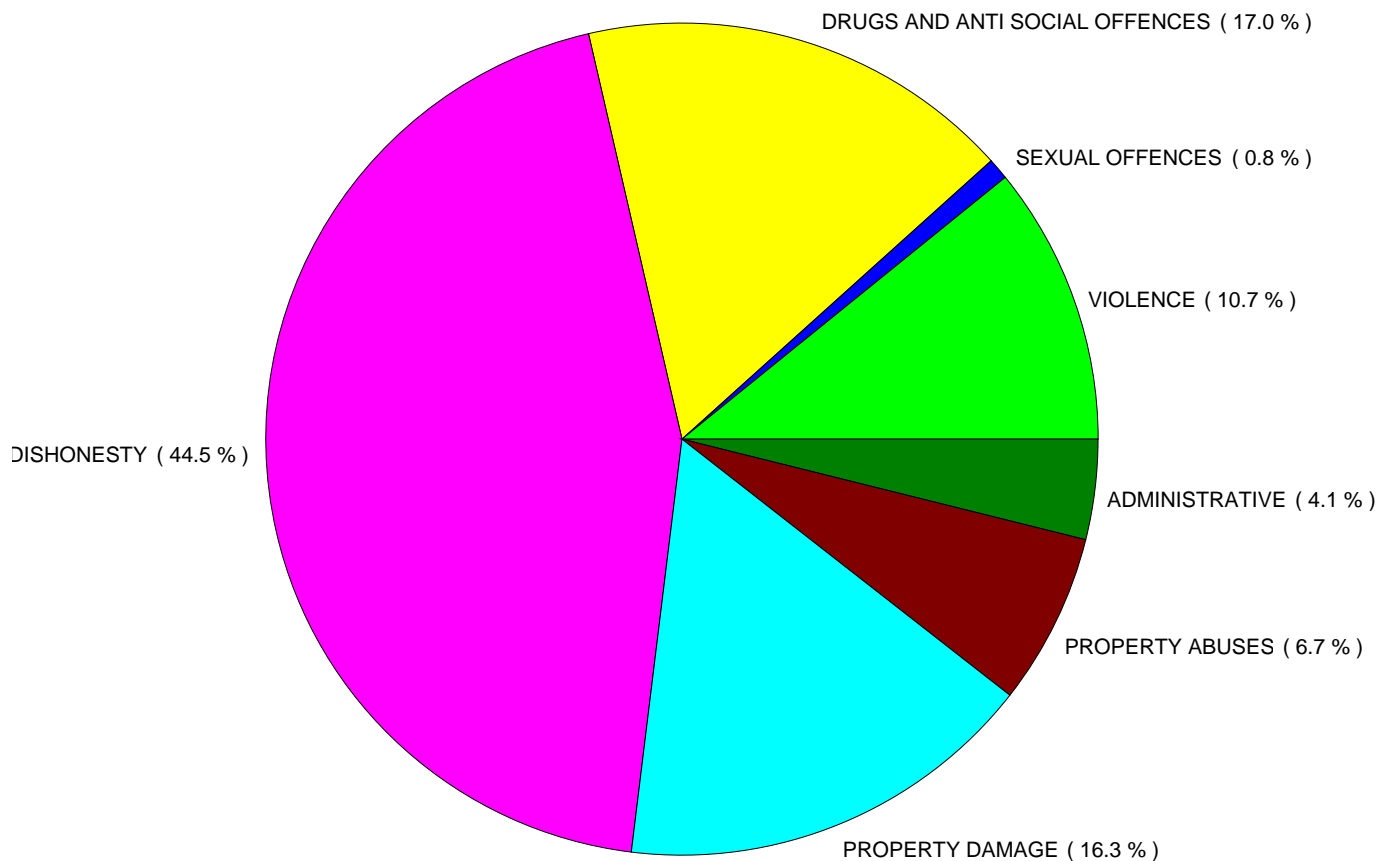
Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
TOTAL			989.8	1028.8	1022.2

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	10.4 %	1,650	10.1 %	1,697	10.7 %	1,799
SEXUAL OFFENCES	0.9 %	137	0.7 %	125	0.8 %	143
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	15.9 %	2,522	17.5 %	2,929	17.0 %	2,865
DISHONESTY	49.3 %	7,844	47.4 %	7,931	44.5 %	7,514
PROPERTY DAMAGE	14.1 %	2,244	14.1 %	2,353	16.3 %	2,744
PROPERTY ABUSES	6.3 %	998	6.8 %	1,143	6.7 %	1,124
ADMINISTRATIVE	3.2 %	512	3.3 %	548	4.1 %	684
Total:	100.0 %	15,907	100.0 %	16,726	100.0 %	16,873

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
Marlborough	4,791	5,003	4.4 %	5343	6.8 %	2,474	51.6 %	2,758	55.1 %	2,882	53.9 %
Nelson Bays	8,072	8,698	7.8 %	8233	-5.3 %	3,663	45.4 %	4,232	48.7 %	4,192	50.9 %
West Coast	3,044	3,025	-0.6 %	3297	9.0 %	1,292	42.4 %	1,341	44.3 %	1,616	49.0 %
Total:	15,907	16,726	5.1 %	16,873	0.9 %	7,429	46.7 %	8,331	49.8 %	8,690	51.5 %

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
Marlborough	567	635	12.0 %	671	5.7 %	476	84.0 %	539	84.9 %	570	84.9 %
Nelson Bays	779	736	-5.5 %	774	5.2 %	645	82.8 %	628	85.3 %	662	85.5 %
West Coast	304	326	7.2 %	354	8.6 %	249	81.9 %	273	83.7 %	323	91.2 %
Total:	1,650	1,697	2.8 %	1,799	6.0 %	1,370	83.0 %	1,440	84.9 %	1,555	86.4 %

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
Marlborough	42	28	-33.3 %	33	17.9 %	35	83.3 %	18	64.3 %	27	81.8 %
Nelson Bays	68	60	-11.8 %	72	20.0 %	44	64.7 %	42	70.0 %	50	69.4 %
West Coast	27	37	37.0 %	38	2.7 %	17	63.0 %	28	75.7 %	22	57.9 %
Total:	137	125	-8.8 %	143	14.4 %	96	70.1 %	88	70.4 %	99	69.2 %

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
Marlborough	837	922	10.2 %	952	3.3 %	734	87.7 %	849	92.1 %	860	90.3 %
Nelson Bays	1,061	1,438	35.5 %	1,335	-7.2 %	960	90.5 %	1,326	92.2 %	1,235	92.5 %
West Coast	624	569	-8.8 %	578	1.6 %	376	60.3 %	376	66.1 %	403	69.7 %
Total:	2,522	2,929	16.1 %	2,865	-2.2 %	2,070	82.1 %	2,551	87.1 %	2,498	87.2 %

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
Marlborough	2,235	2,167	-3.0 %	2,101	-3.0 %	661	29.6 %	704	32.5 %	642	30.6 %
Nelson Bays	4,344	4,534	4.4 %	4,073	-10.2 %	1,186	27.3 %	1,382	30.5 %	1,317	32.3 %
West Coast	1,265	1,230	-2.8 %	1,340	8.9 %	334	26.4 %	337	27.4 %	463	34.6 %
Total:	7,844	7,931	1.1 %	7,514	-5.3 %	2,181	27.8 %	2,423	30.6 %	2,422	32.2 %

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
Marlborough	598	621	3.8 %	889	43.2 %	190	31.8 %	178	28.7 %	225	25.3 %
Nelson Bays	1,109	1,161	4.7 %	1,166	0.4 %	304	27.4 %	273	23.5 %	273	23.4 %
West Coast	537	571	6.3 %	689	20.7 %	119	22.2 %	140	24.5 %	174	25.3 %
Total:	2,244	2,353	4.9 %	2,744	16.6 %	613	27.3 %	591	25.1 %	672	24.5 %

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
Marlborough	339	393	15.9 %	411	4.6 %	227	67.0 %	272	69.2 %	307	74.7 %
Nelson Bays	419	496	18.4 %	504	1.6 %	286	68.3 %	359	72.4 %	380	75.4 %
West Coast	240	254	5.8 %	209	-17.7 %	158	65.8 %	151	59.4 %	147	70.3 %
Total:	998	1,143	14.5 %	1,124	-1.7 %	671	67.2 %	782	68.4 %	834	74.2 %

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
Marlborough	173	237	37.0 %	286	20.7 %	151	87.3 %	198	83.5 %	251	87.8 %
Nelson Bays	292	273	-6.5 %	309	13.2 %	238	81.5 %	222	81.3 %	275	89.0 %
West Coast	47	38	-19.1 %	89	134.2 %	39	83.0 %	36	94.7 %	84	94.4 %
Total:	512	548	7.0 %	684	24.8 %	428	83.6 %	456	83.2 %	610	89.2 %

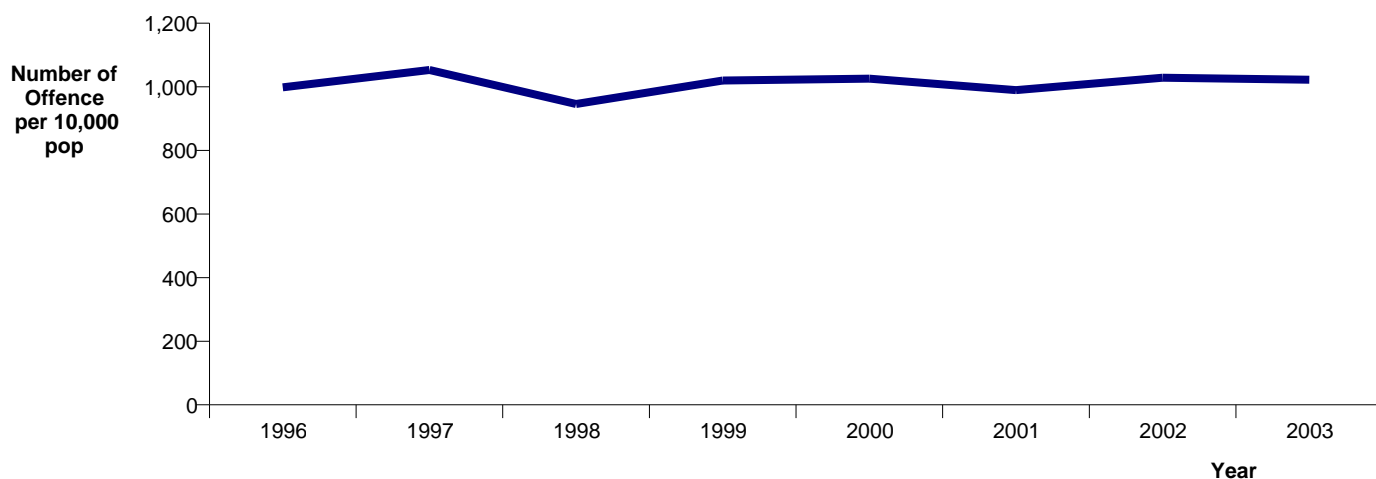
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TOTAL CRIME

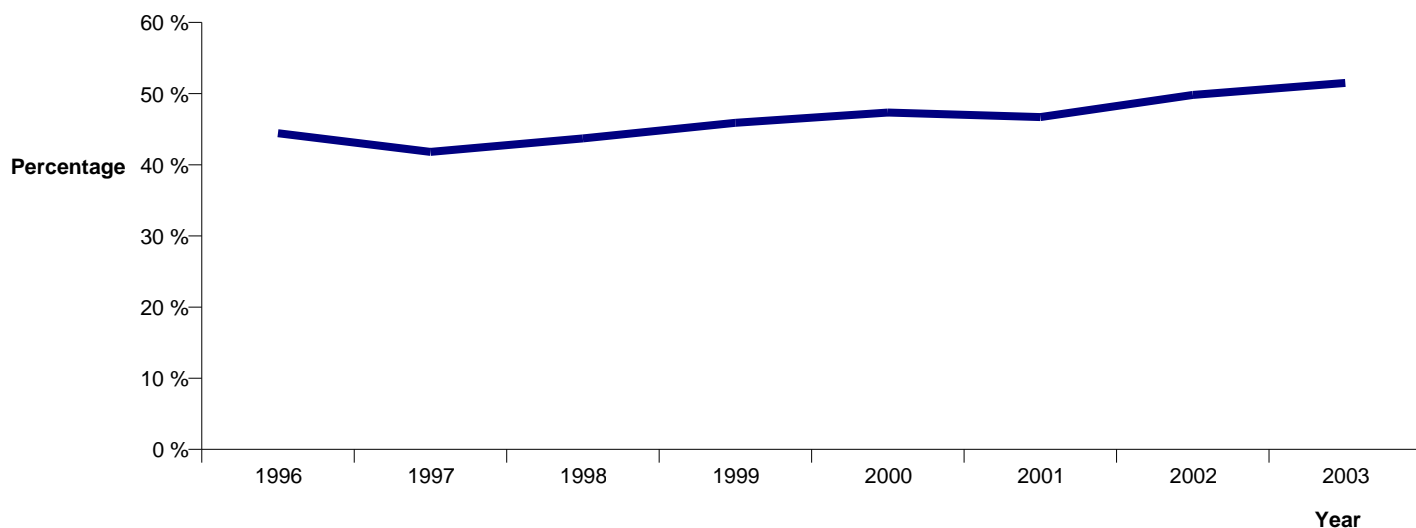
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1996	15571		998.6		6919	44.4 %	
1997	16548	6.3 %	1,052.9	5.4 %	6919	41.8 %	-2.6 %
1998	14968	-9.5 %	946.0	-10.2 %	6542	43.7 %	1.9 %
1999	16206	8.3 %	1,020.0	7.8 %	7437	45.9 %	2.2 %
2000	16360	1.0 %	1,025.6	0.5 %	7745	47.3 %	1.5 %
2001	15907	-2.8 %	989.8	-3.5 %	7429	46.7 %	-0.6 %
2002	16726	5.1 %	1,028.8	3.9 %	8331	49.8 %	3.1 %
2003	16873	0.9 %	1,022.2	-0.6 %	8690	51.5 %	1.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



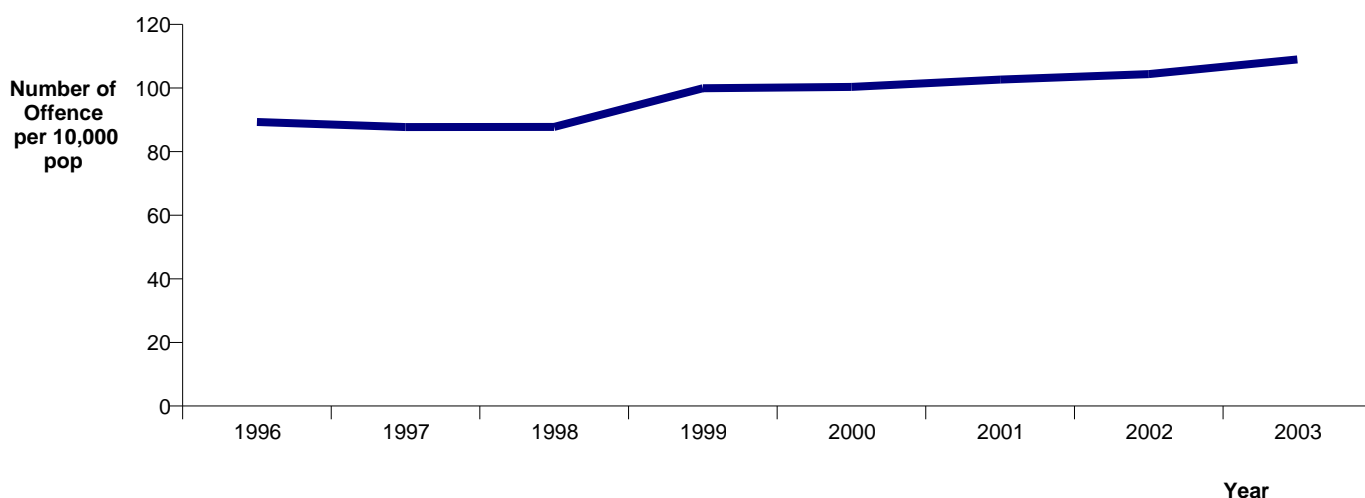
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VIOLENCE

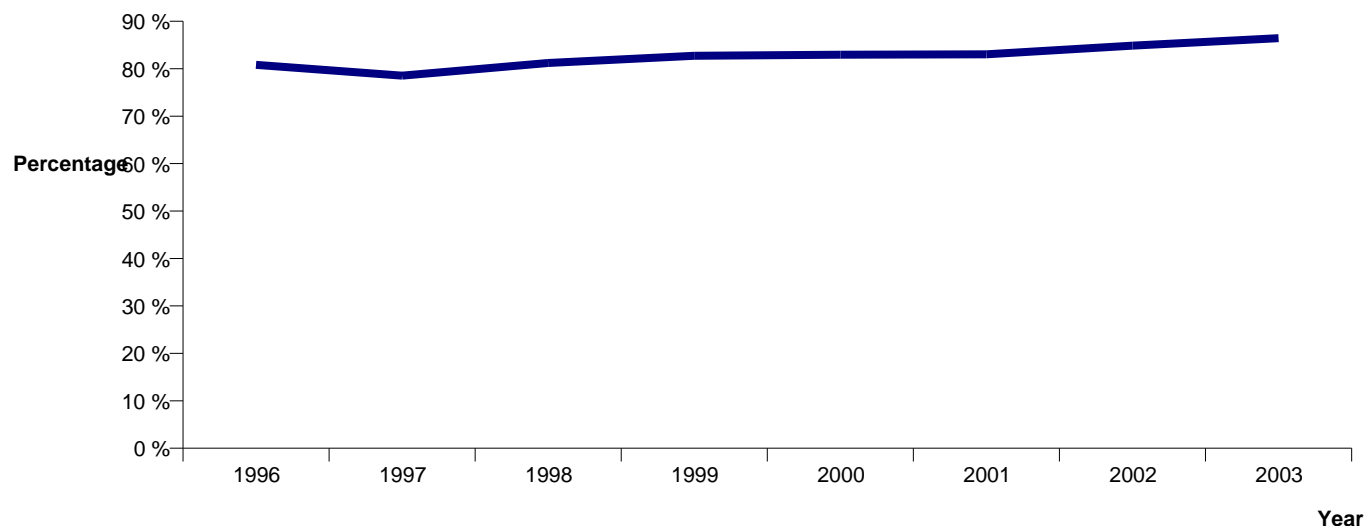
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1996	1393		89.3		1126	80.8 %	
1997	1379	-1.0 %	87.7	-1.8 %	1083	78.5 %	-2.3 %
1998	1389	0.7 %	87.8	0.0 %	1128	81.2 %	2.7 %
1999	1588	14.3 %	99.9	13.9 %	1314	82.7 %	1.5 %
2000	1601	0.8 %	100.4	0.4 %	1328	82.9 %	0.2 %
2001	1650	3.1 %	102.7	2.3 %	1370	83.0 %	0.1 %
2002	1697	2.8 %	104.4	1.7 %	1440	84.9 %	1.8 %
2003	1799	6.0 %	109.0	4.4 %	1555	86.4 %	1.6 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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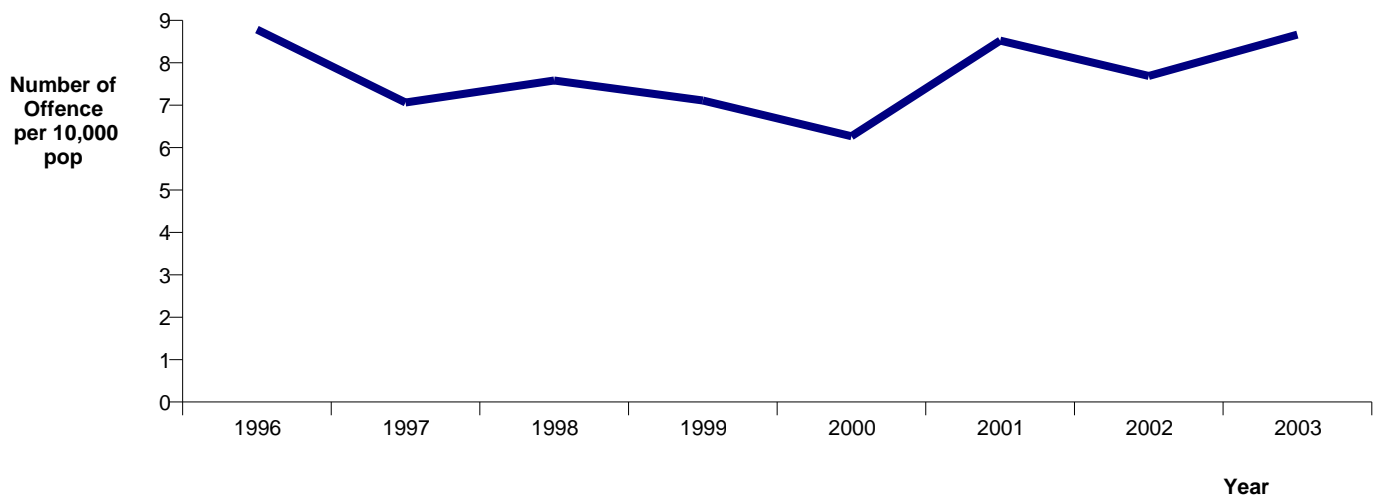
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SEXUAL OFFENCES

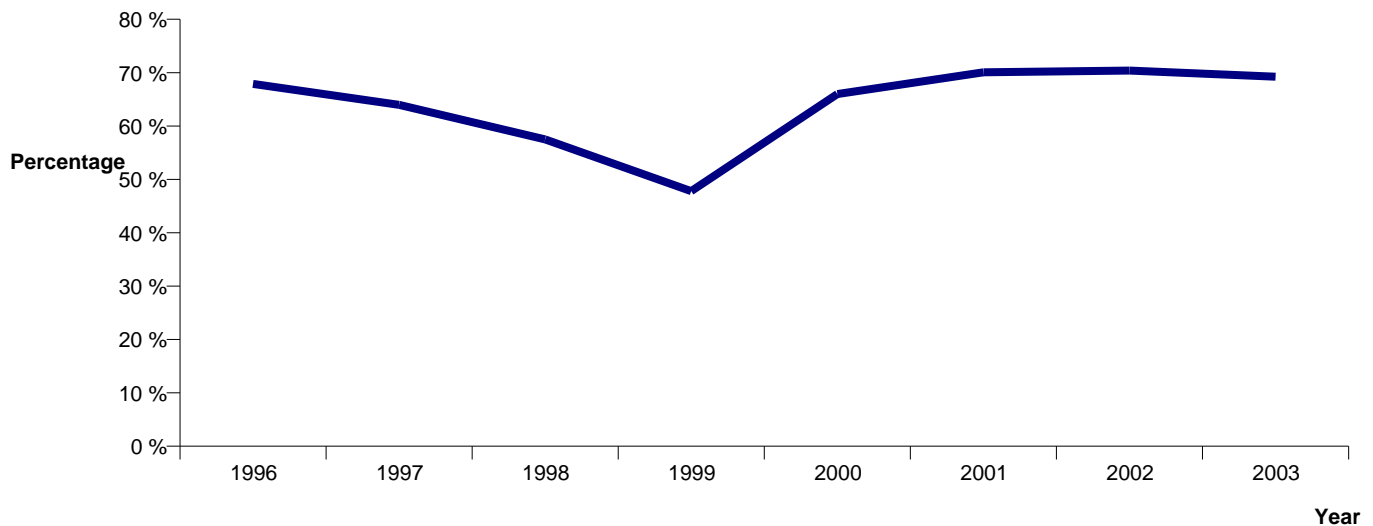
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1996	137		8.8		93	67.9 %	
1997	111	-19.0 %	7.1	-19.6 %	71	64.0 %	-3.9 %
1998	120	8.1 %	7.6	7.4 %	69	57.5 %	-6.5 %
1999	113	-5.8 %	7.1	-6.2 %	54	47.8 %	-9.7 %
2000	100	-11.5 %	6.3	-11.9 %	66	66.0 %	18.2 %
2001	137	37.0 %	8.5	36.0 %	96	70.1 %	4.1 %
2002	125	-8.8 %	7.7	-9.8 %	88	70.4 %	0.3 %
2003	143	14.4 %	8.7	12.7 %	99	69.2 %	-1.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



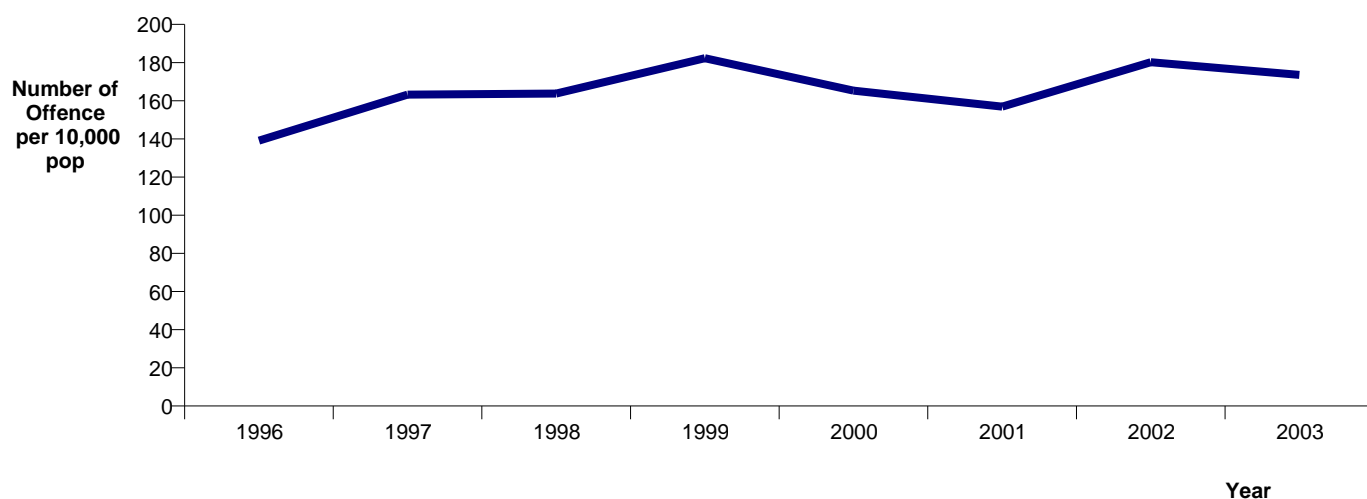
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DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES

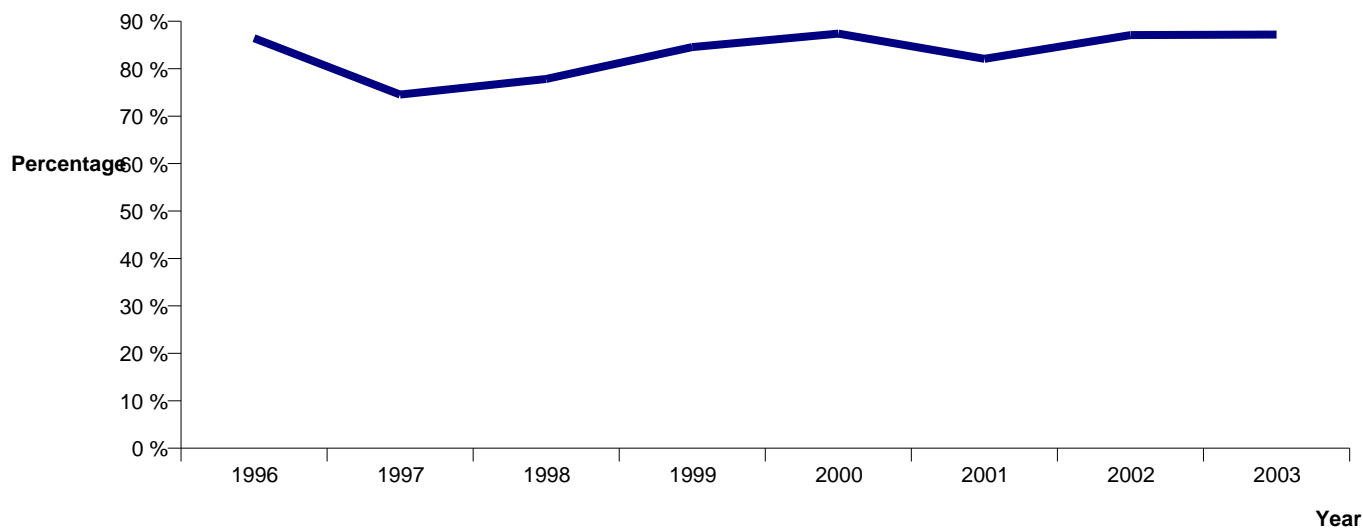
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1996	2169		139.1		1875	86.4 %	
1997	2565	18.3 %	163.2	17.3 %	1912	74.5 %	-11.9 %
1998	2591	1.0 %	163.7	0.3 %	2017	77.8 %	3.3 %
1999	2896	11.8 %	182.3	11.3 %	2449	84.6 %	6.7 %
2000	2637	-8.9 %	165.3	-9.3 %	2305	87.4 %	2.8 %
2001	2522	-4.4 %	156.9	-5.1 %	2070	82.1 %	-5.3 %
2002	2929	16.1 %	180.2	14.8 %	2551	87.1 %	5.0 %
2003	2865	-2.2 %	173.6	-3.7 %	2498	87.2 %	0.1 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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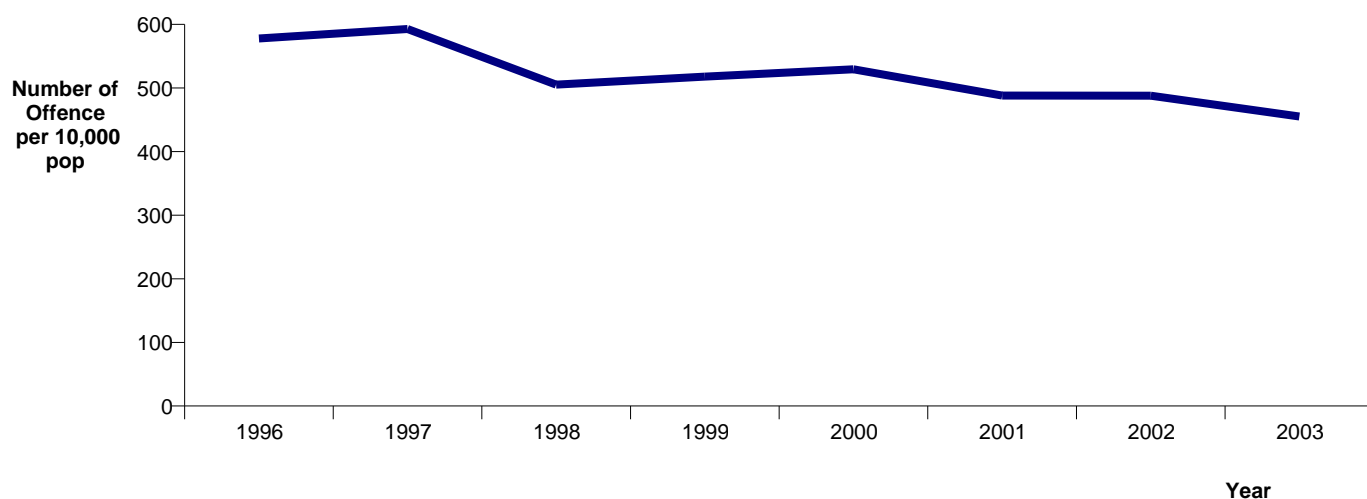
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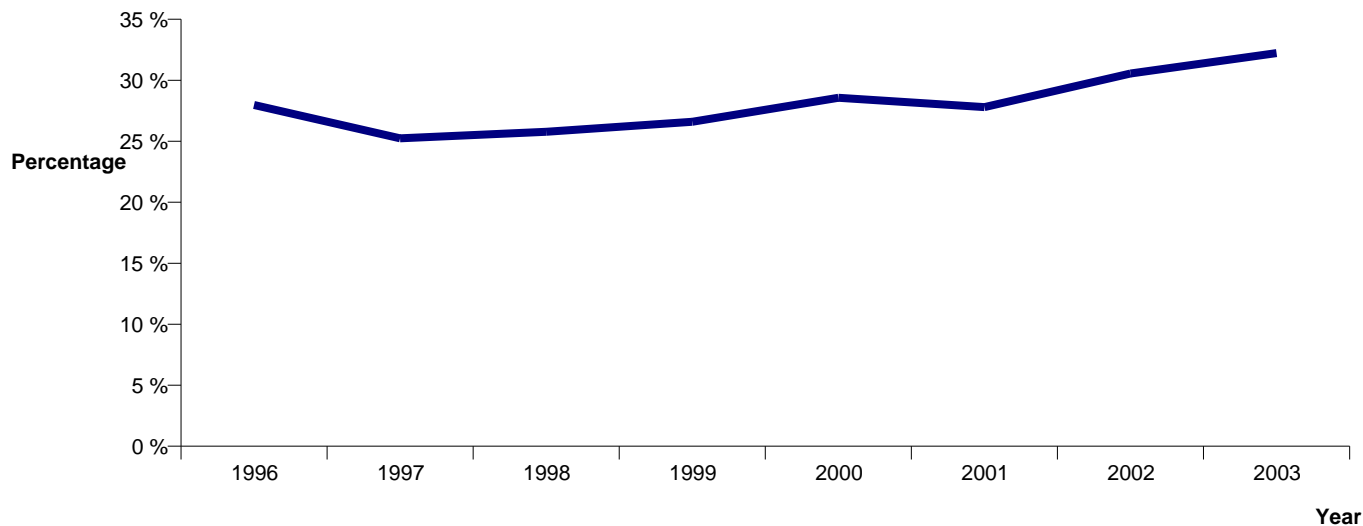
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1996	9010		577.8		2521	28.0 %	
1997	9316	3.4 %	592.8	2.6 %	2351	25.2 %	-2.7 %
1998	7995	-14.2 %	505.3	-14.8 %	2061	25.8 %	0.5 %
1999	8227	2.9 %	517.8	2.5 %	2188	26.6 %	0.8 %
2000	8447	2.7 %	529.5	2.3 %	2413	28.6 %	2.0 %
2001	7844	-7.1 %	488.1	-7.8 %	2181	27.8 %	-0.8 %
2002	7931	1.1 %	487.9	-0.0 %	2423	30.6 %	2.7 %
2003	7514	-5.3 %	455.2	-6.7 %	2422	32.2 %	1.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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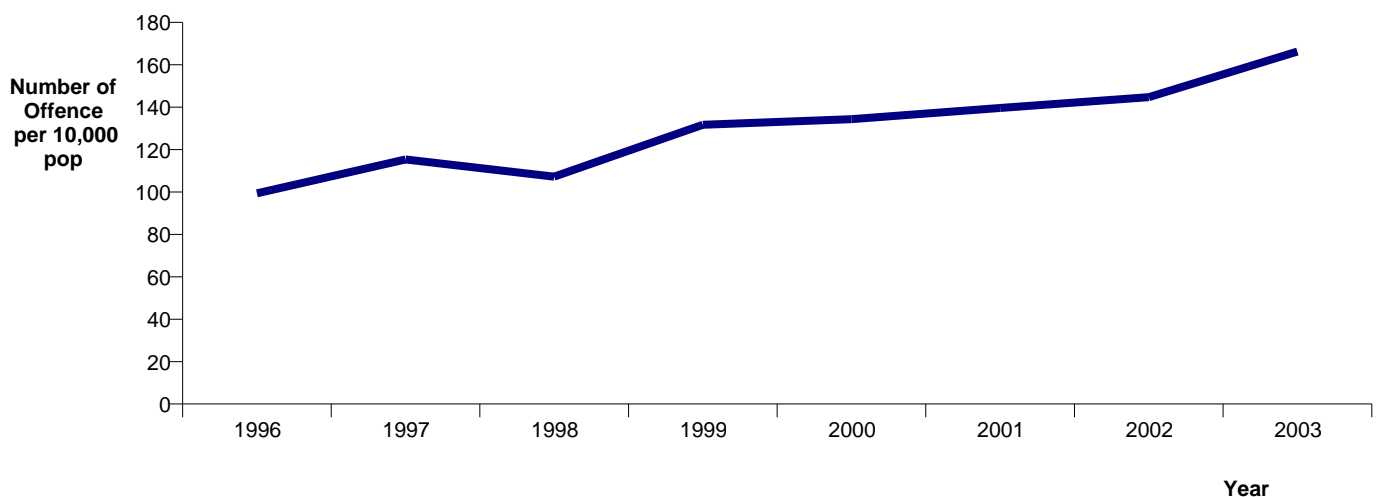
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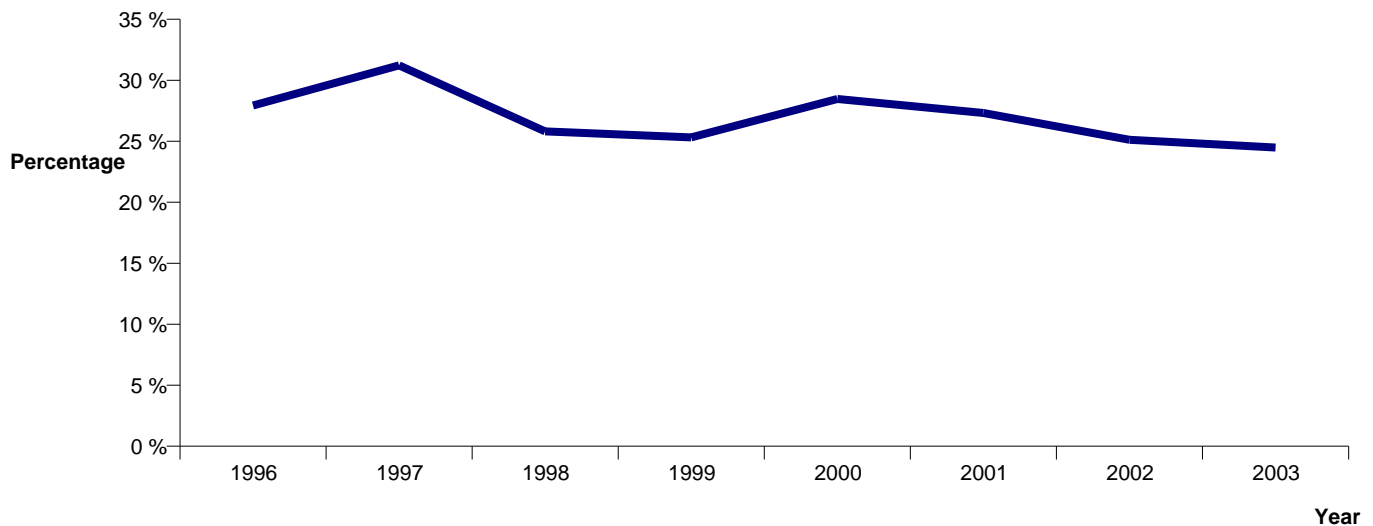
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1996	1550		99.4		433	27.9 %	
1997	1813	17.0 %	115.4	16.1 %	566	31.2 %	3.3 %
1998	1697	-6.4 %	107.2	-7.0 %	438	25.8 %	-5.4 %
1999	2093	23.3 %	131.7	22.8 %	530	25.3 %	-0.5 %
2000	2143	2.4 %	134.3	2.0 %	610	28.5 %	3.1 %
2001	2244	4.7 %	139.6	3.9 %	613	27.3 %	-1.1 %
2002	2353	4.9 %	144.7	3.7 %	591	25.1 %	-2.2 %
2003	2744	16.6 %	166.2	14.9 %	672	24.5 %	-0.6 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



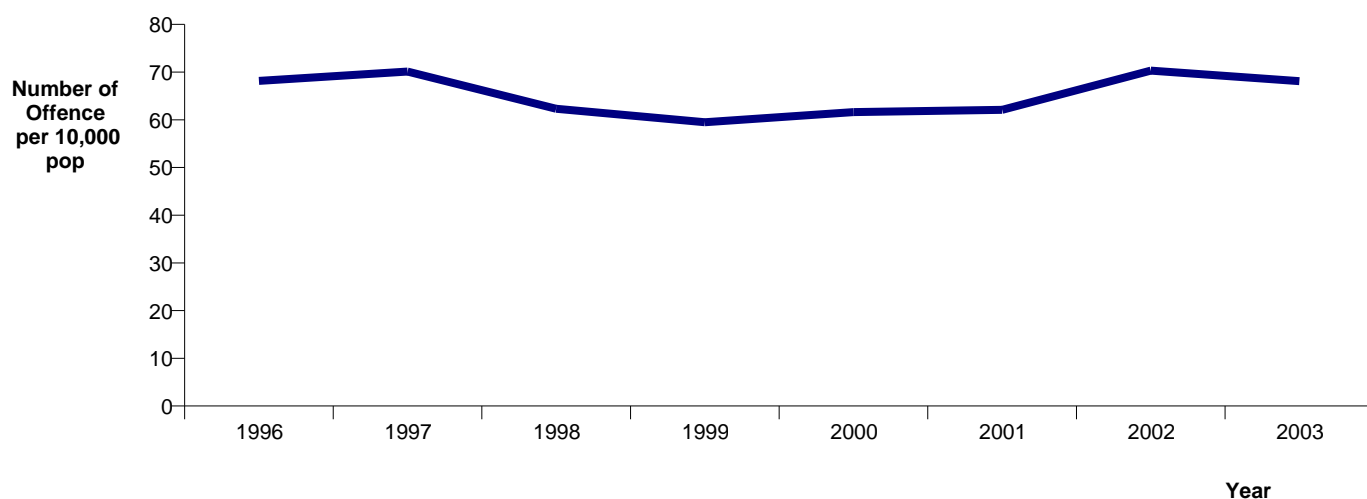
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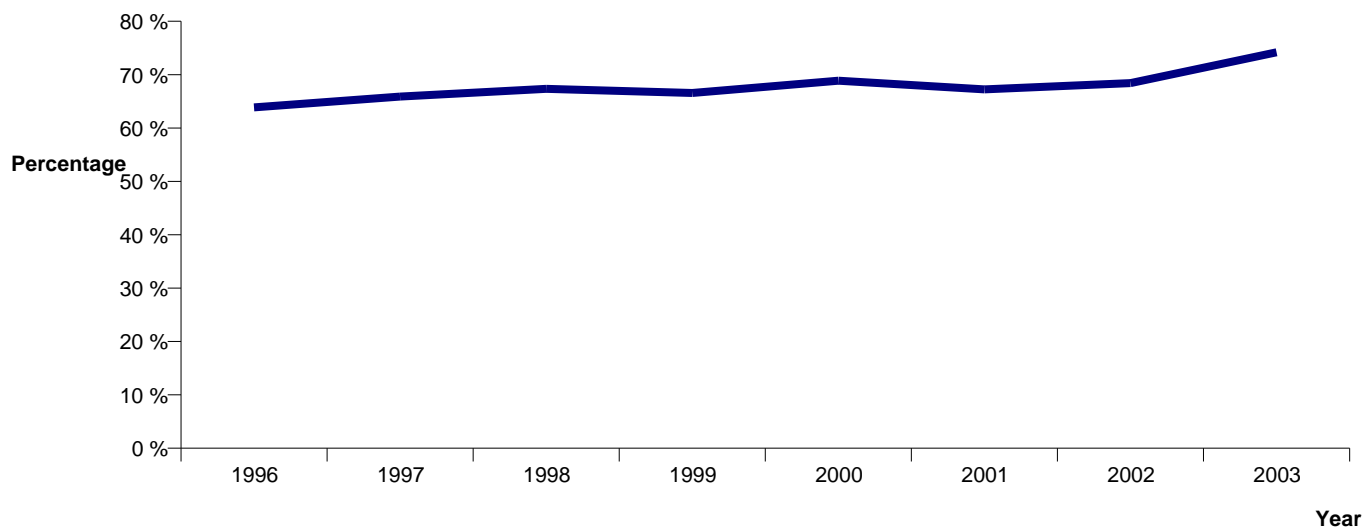
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1996	1063		68.2		679	63.9 %	
1997	1102	3.7 %	70.1	2.9 %	726	65.9 %	2.0 %
1998	986	-10.5 %	62.3	-11.1 %	664	67.3 %	1.5 %
1999	945	-4.2 %	59.5	-4.6 %	629	66.6 %	-0.8 %
2000	983	4.0 %	61.6	3.6 %	677	68.9 %	2.3 %
2001	998	1.5 %	62.1	0.8 %	671	67.2 %	-1.6 %
2002	1143	14.5 %	70.3	13.2 %	782	68.4 %	1.2 %
2003	1124	-1.7 %	68.1	-3.1 %	834	74.2 %	5.8 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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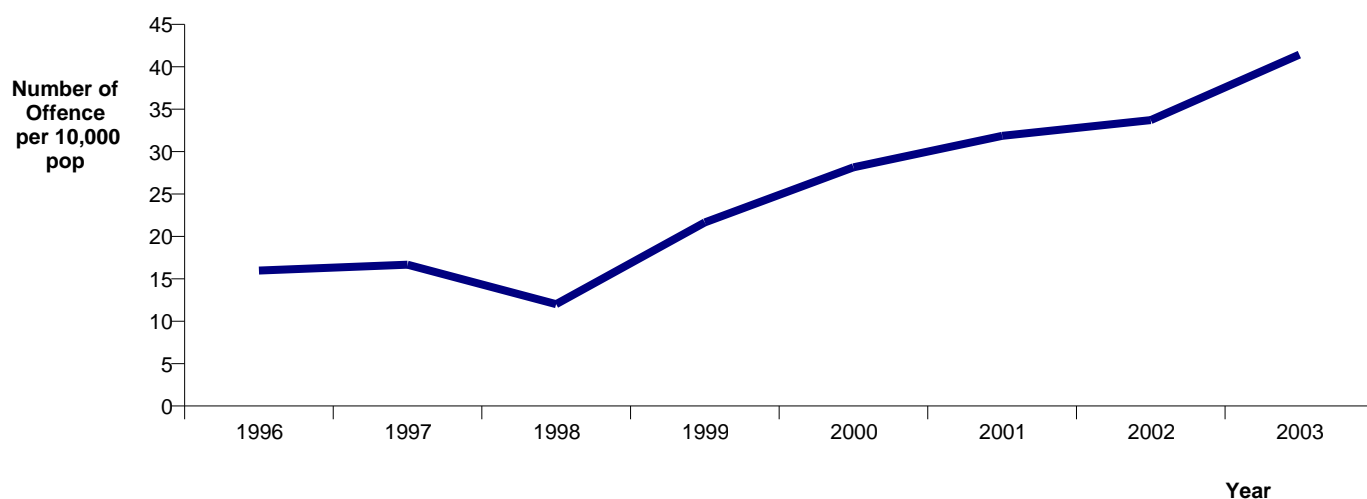
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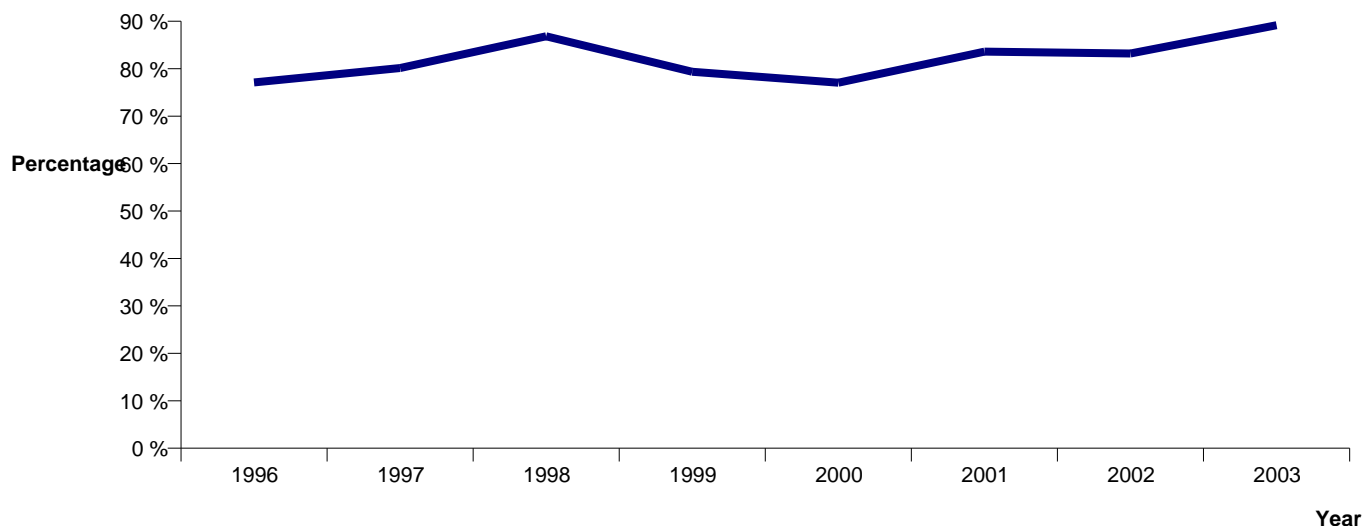
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1996	249		16.0		192	77.1 %	
1997	262	5.2 %	16.7	4.4 %	210	80.2 %	3.0 %
1998	190	-27.5 %	12.0	-28.0 %	165	86.8 %	6.7 %
1999	344	81.1 %	21.7	80.3 %	273	79.4 %	-7.5 %
2000	449	30.5 %	28.1	30.0 %	346	77.1 %	-2.3 %
2001	512	14.0 %	31.9	13.2 %	428	83.6 %	6.5 %
2002	548	7.0 %	33.7	5.8 %	456	83.2 %	-0.4 %
2003	684	24.8 %	41.4	22.9 %	610	89.2 %	6.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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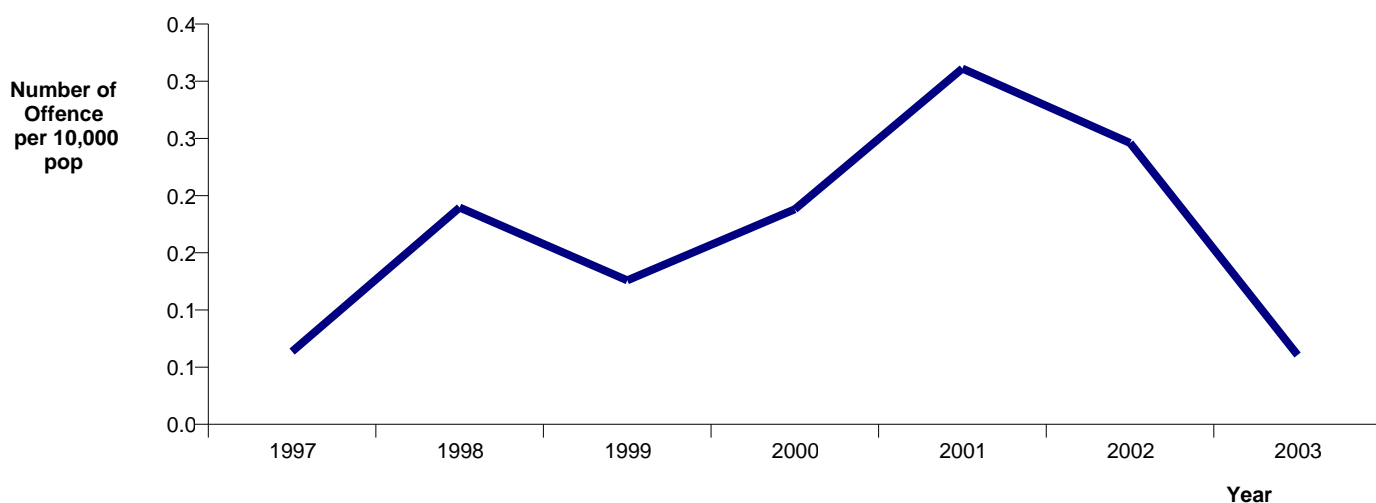
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MURDER *

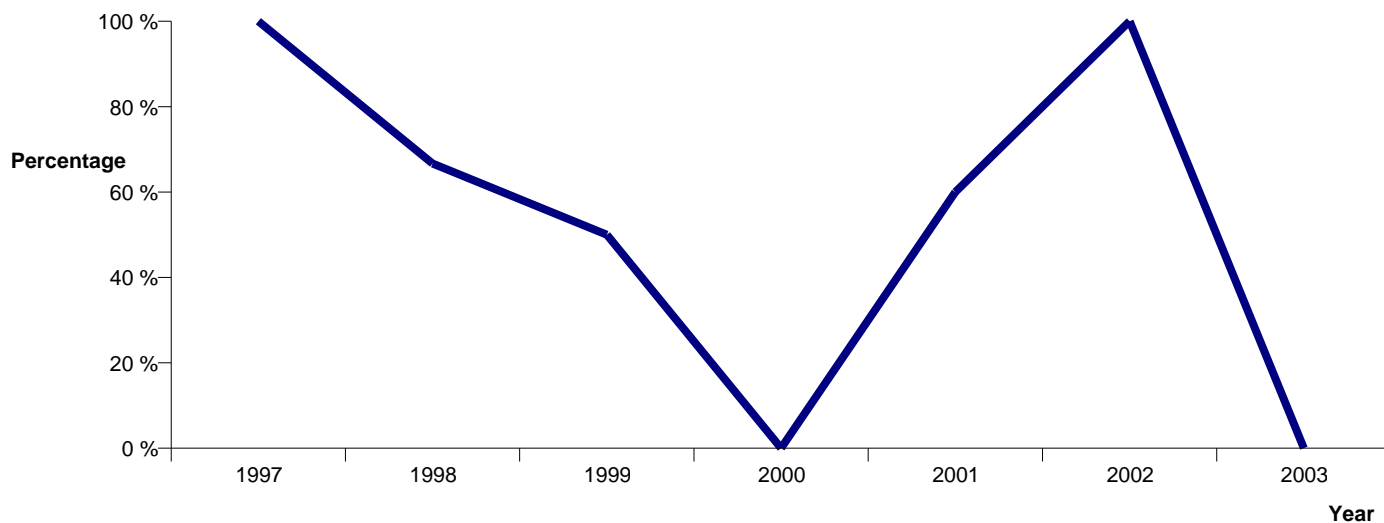
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1997	1		0.1		1	100.0 %	100.0 %
1998	3	200.0 %	0.2	198.0 %	2	66.7 %	-33.3 %
1999	2	-33.3 %	0.1	-33.6 %	1	50.0 %	-16.7 %
2000	3	50.0 %	0.2	49.4 %	0	0.0 %	-50.0 %
2001	5	66.7 %	0.3	65.4 %	3	60.0 %	60.0 %
2002	4	-20.0 %	0.2	-20.9 %	4	100.0 %	40.0 %
2003	1	-75.0 %	0.1	-75.4 %	0	0.0 %	-100.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



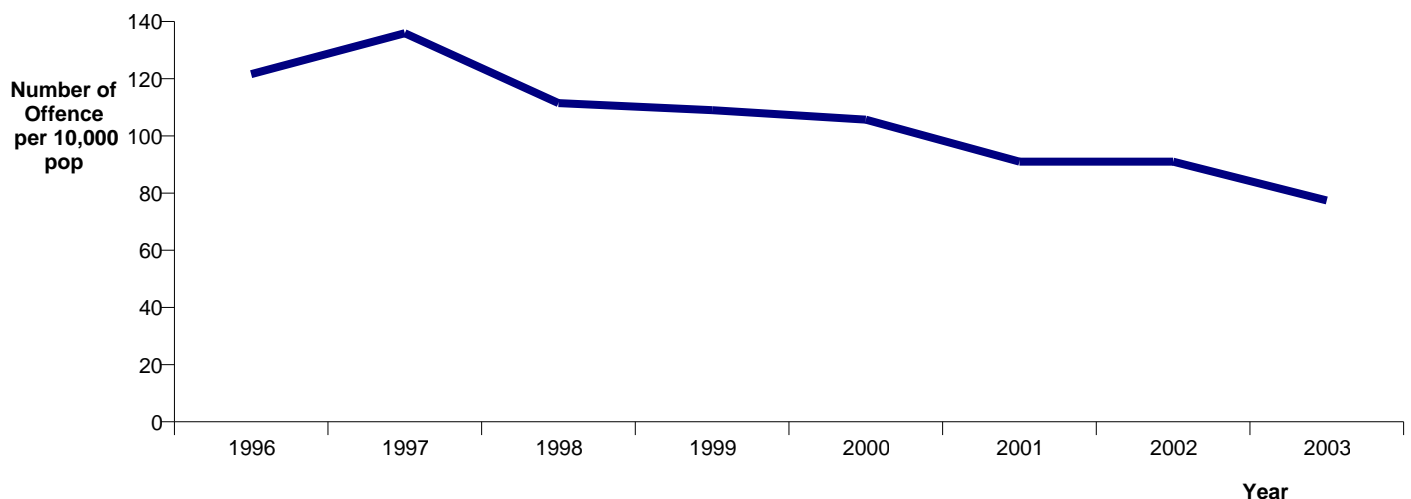
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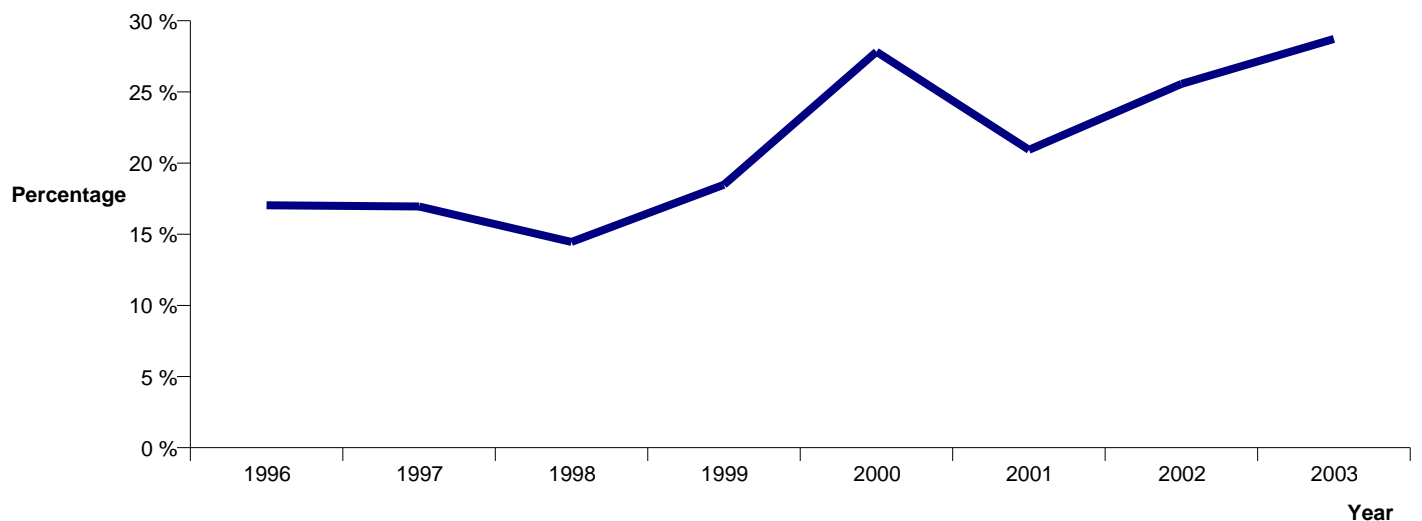
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1996	1896		121.6		323	17.0 %	
1997	2136	12.7 %	135.9	11.8 %	362	16.9 %	-0.1 %
1998	1764	-17.4 %	111.5	-18.0 %	255	14.5 %	-2.5 %
1999	1732	-1.8 %	109.0	-2.2 %	320	18.5 %	4.0 %
2000	1686	-2.7 %	105.7	-3.0 %	469	27.8 %	9.3 %
2001	1462	-13.3 %	91.0	-13.9 %	306	20.9 %	-6.9 %
2002	1479	1.2 %	91.0	0.0 %	378	25.6 %	4.6 %
2003	1278	-13.6 %	77.4	-14.9 %	367	28.7 %	3.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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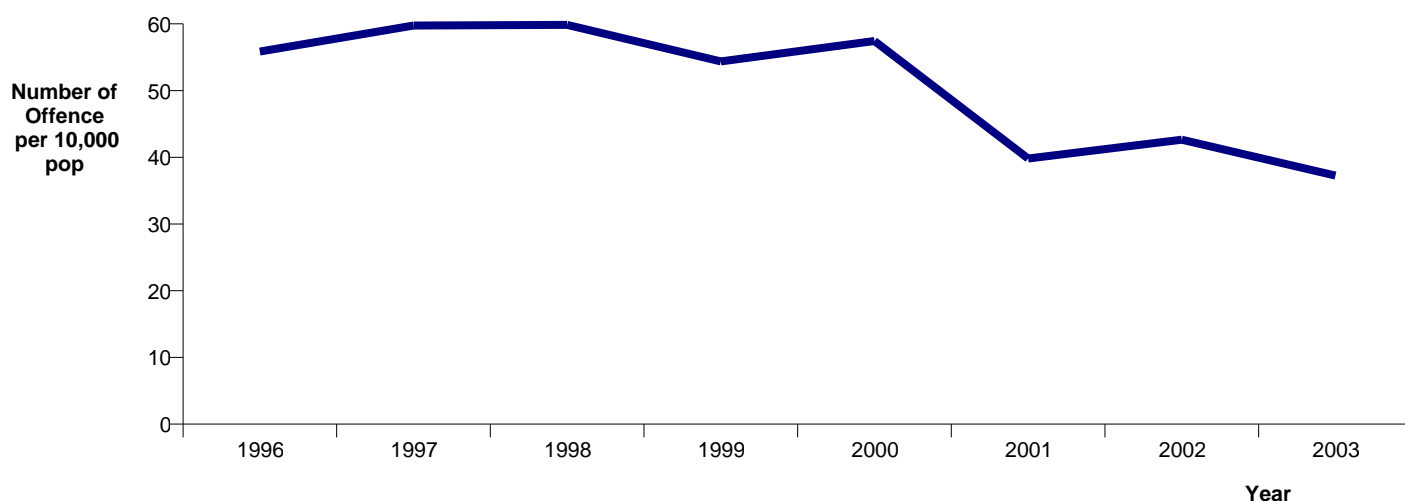
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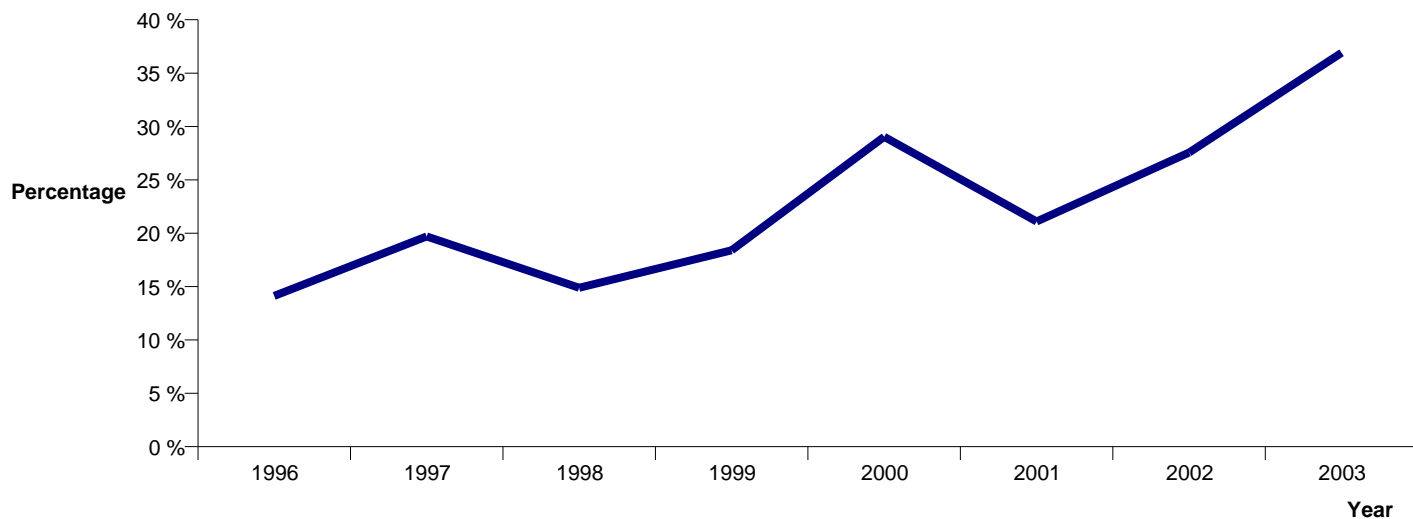
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1996	871		55.9		123	14.1 %	
1997	939	7.8 %	59.7	7.0 %	185	19.7 %	5.6 %
1998	947	0.9 %	59.8	0.2 %	141	14.9 %	-4.8 %
1999	864	-8.8 %	54.4	-9.1 %	159	18.4 %	3.5 %
2000	916	6.0 %	57.4	5.6 %	266	29.0 %	10.6 %
2001	640	-30.1 %	39.8	-30.6 %	135	21.1 %	-7.9 %
2002	693	8.3 %	42.6	7.0 %	191	27.6 %	6.5 %
2003	615	-11.3 %	37.3	-12.6 %	227	36.9 %	9.3 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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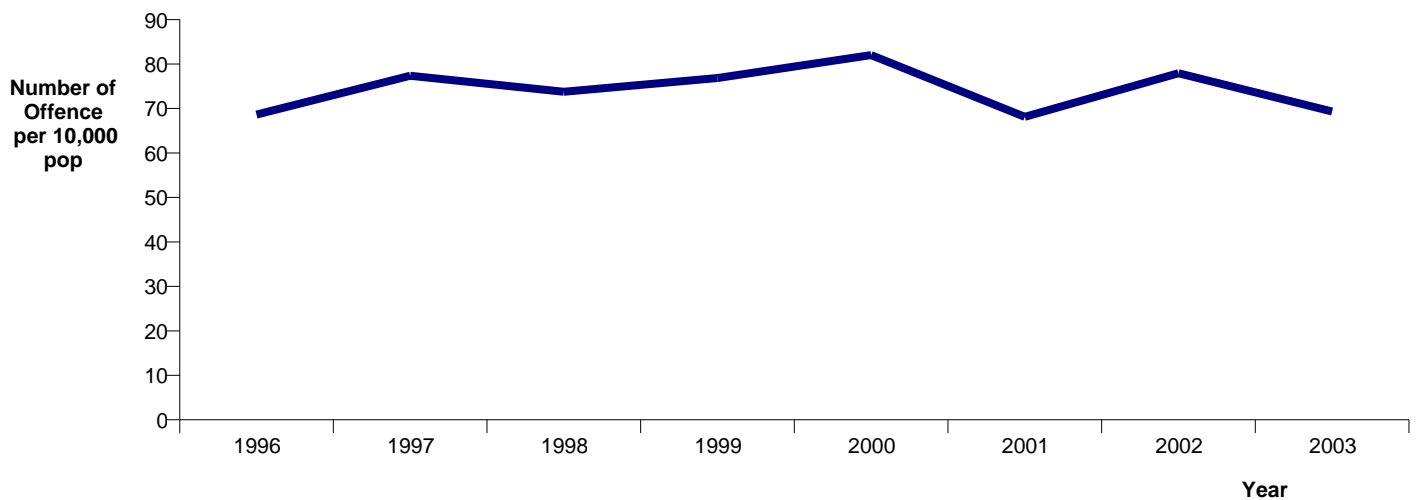


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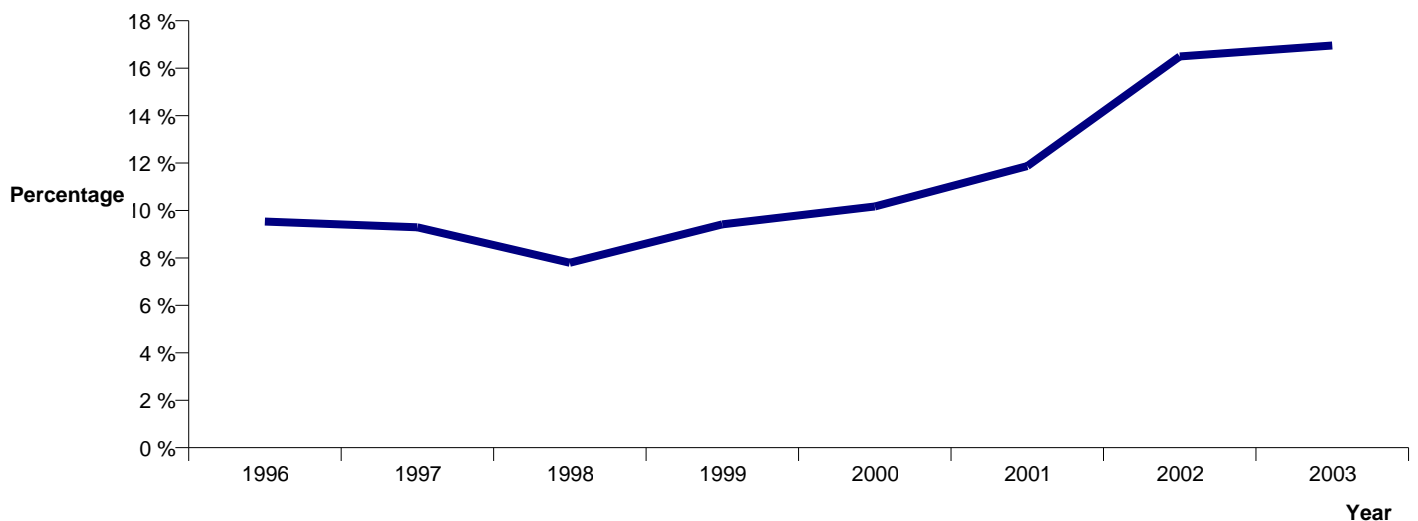
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1996	1070		68.6		102	9.5 %	
1997	1216	13.6 %	77.4	12.8 %	113	9.3 %	-0.2 %
1998	1167	-4.0 %	73.8	-4.7 %	91	7.8 %	-1.5 %
1999	1221	4.6 %	76.9	4.2 %	115	9.4 %	1.6 %
2000	1308	7.1 %	82.0	6.7 %	133	10.2 %	0.7 %
2001	1095	-16.3 %	68.1	-16.9 %	130	11.9 %	1.7 %
2002	1267	15.7 %	77.9	14.4 %	209	16.5 %	4.6 %
2003	1144	-9.7 %	69.3	-11.1 %	194	17.0 %	0.5 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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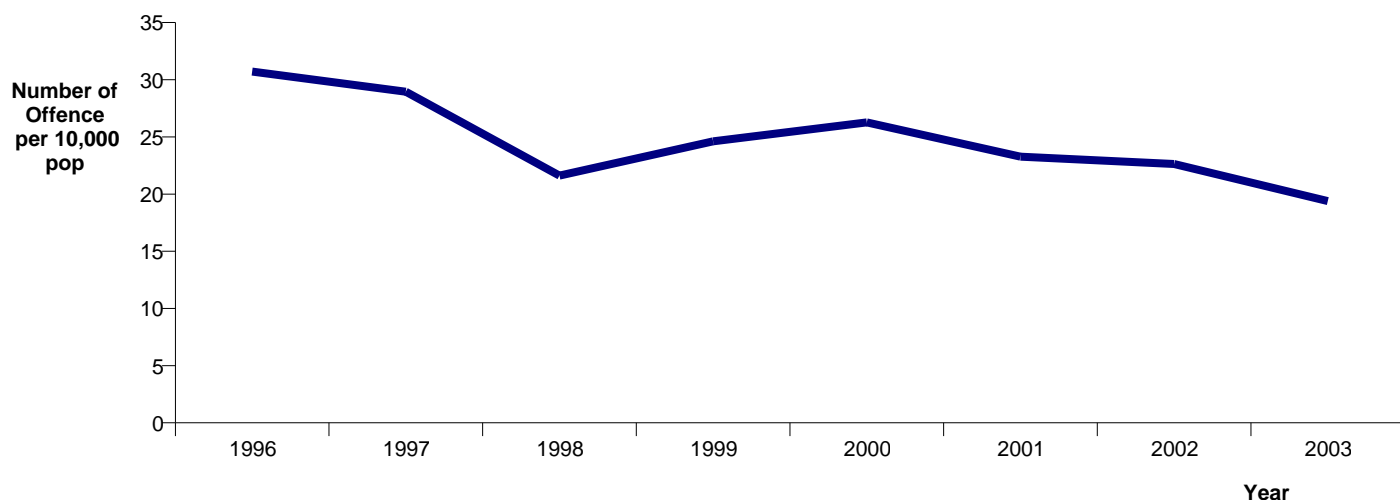


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CAR THEFT & UNLAWFUL TAKING/CONVERSION OF MOTOR VEHICLES*

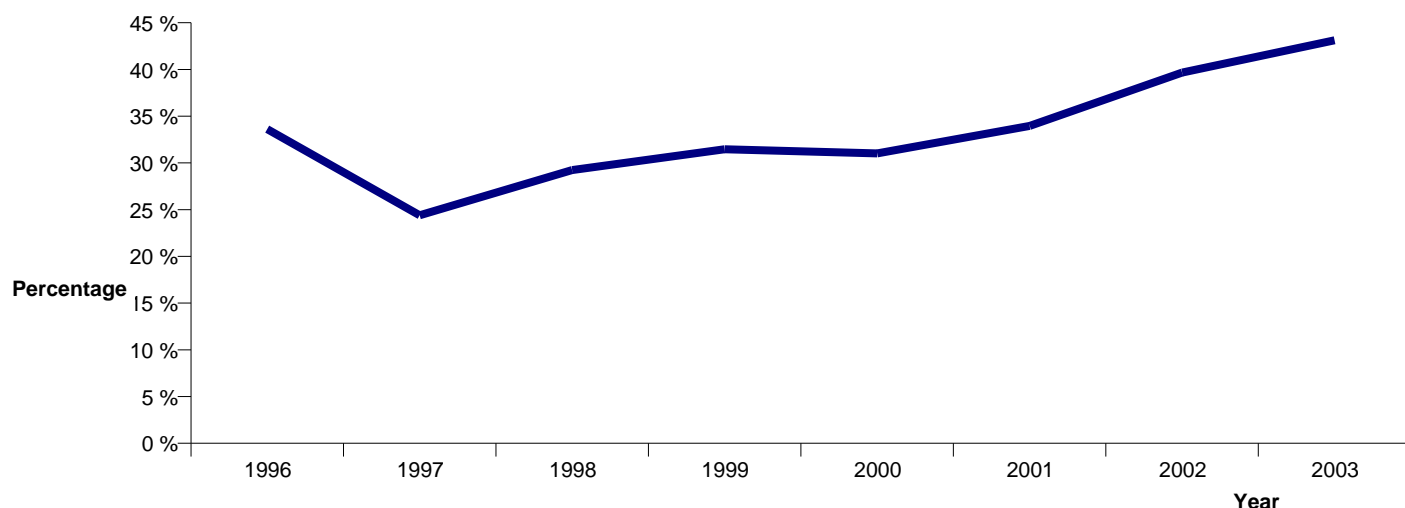
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1996	479		30.7		161	33.6 %	
1997	455	-5.0 %	29.0	-5.8 %	111	24.4 %	-9.2 %
1998	342	-24.8 %	21.6	-25.3 %	100	29.2 %	4.8 %
1999	391	14.3 %	24.6	13.9 %	123	31.5 %	2.2 %
2000	419	7.2 %	26.3	6.7 %	130	31.0 %	-0.4 %
2001	374	-10.7 %	23.3	-11.4 %	127	34.0 %	2.9 %
2002	368	-1.6 %	22.6	-2.7 %	146	39.7 %	5.7 %
2003	320	-13.0 %	19.4	-14.4 %	138	43.1 %	3.5 %

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	155,930
1997	157,160
1998	158,230
1999	158,880
2000	159,520
2001	160,710
2002	162,570
2003	165,060