

WELLINGTON 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	327	330	373	0.9 %	13.0 %	279	296	327	85.3 %	89.7 %	87.7 %
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	35	35	52	0.0 %	48.6 %	24	27	42	68.6 %	77.1 %	80.8 %
	HOMICIDE	1100	14	12	13	-14.3 %	8.3 %	14	11	12	100.0 %	91.7 %	92.3 %
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	1046	1256	1248	20.1 %	-0.6 %	862	1091	1055	82.4 %	86.9 %	84.5 %
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	20	27	21	35.0 %	-22.2 %	16	22	17	80.0 %	81.5 %	81.0 %
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	1567	1636	1545	4.4 %	-5.6 %	1280	1369	1317	81.7 %	83.7 %	85.2 %
	ROBBERY	1300	159	151	162	-5.0 %	7.3 %	63	65	65	39.6 %	43.0 %	40.1 %
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	1773	1766	1866	-0.4 %	5.7 %	1490	1479	1573	84.0 %	83.7 %	84.3 %
Total:			4941	5213	5280	5.5 %	1.3 %	4028	4360	4408	81.5 %	83.6 %	83.5 %

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	6	2	1	-66.7 %	-50.0 %	5	0	0	83.3 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	23	30	18	30.4 %	-40.0 %	9	17	8	39.1 %	56.7 %	44.4 %
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	5	7	6	40.0 %	-14.3 %	2	2	2	40.0 %	28.6 %	33.3 %
	INDECENT VIDEOS	2500											
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	77	66	80	-14.3 %	21.2 %	37	43	41	48.1 %	65.2 %	51.2 %
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	223	246	215	10.3 %	-12.6 %	113	140	108	50.7 %	56.9 %	50.2 %
Total:			334	351	320	5.1 %	-8.8 %	166	202	159	49.7 %	57.5 %	49.7 %

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	2093	2280	2444	8.9 %	7.2 %	1914	2147	2289	91.4 %	94.2 %	93.7 %
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	1848	1770	1642	-4.2 %	-7.2 %	1715	1651	1471	92.8 %	93.3 %	89.6 %
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			96					88			91.7 %
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	198	236	256	19.2 %	8.5 %	168	202	226	84.8 %	85.6 %	88.3 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	53	48	87	-9.4 %	81.3 %	44	41	33	83.0 %	85.4 %	37.9 %
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	639	607	518	-5.0 %	-14.7 %	538	520	416	84.2 %	85.7 %	80.3 %
	GAMING	3400	2			-100.0 %		0			0.0 %		
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	98	68	109	-30.6 %	60.3 %	82	54	97	83.7 %	79.4 %	89.0 %
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	40	22	13	-45.0 %	-40.9 %	38	21	12	95.0 %	95.5 %	92.3 %
Total:			4971	5031	5165	1.2 %	2.7 %	4499	4636	4632	90.5 %	92.1 %	89.7 %

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	5669	5479	6570	-3.4 %	19.9 %	898	961	1343	15.8 %	17.5 %	20.4 %
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	2845	3416	3294	20.1 %	-3.6 %	683	747	741	24.0 %	21.9 %	22.5 %
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			10					1			10.0 %
	FRAUD	4500	1570	1465	1338	-6.7 %	-8.7 %	784	782	801	49.9 %	53.4 %	59.9 %
	RECEIVING	4400	282	300	333	6.4 %	11.0 %	268	277	317	95.0 %	92.3 %	95.2 %
	THEFT	4300	13557	13868	15009	2.3 %	8.2 %	3378	3532	3661	24.9 %	25.5 %	24.4 %
Total:			23923	24528	26554	2.5 %	8.3 %	6011	6299	6864	25.1 %	25.7 %	25.8 %

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	4357	3950	4638	-9.3 %	17.4 %	1498	1190	1514	34.4 %	30.1 %	32.6 %
	ENDANGERING	5200	26	35	37	34.6 %	5.7 %	23	29	30	88.5 %	82.9 %	81.1 %
Total:			4383	3985	4675	-9.1 %	17.3 %	1521	1219	1544	34.7 %	30.6 %	33.0 %

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 ABUSES	ANIMALS	6300	37	30	27	-18.9 %	-10.0 %	23	17	13	62.2 %	56.7 %	48.1 %
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	152	177	214	16.4 %	20.9 %	126	149	175	82.9 %	84.2 %	81.8 %
	LITTERING	6200	35	27	20	-22.9 %	-25.9 %	26	20	15	74.3 %	74.1 %	75.0 %
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	569	482	500	-15.3 %	3.7 %	294	240	268	51.7 %	49.8 %	53.6 %
	TRESPASS	6100	1520	1412	1254	-7.1 %	-11.2 %	908	911	967	59.7 %	64.5 %	77.1 %
Total:			2313	2128	2015	-8.0 %	-5.3 %	1377	1337	1438	59.5 %	62.8 %	71.4 %

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
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	2397	2372	2322	-1.0 %	-2.1 %	1934	1991	1971	80.7 %	83.9 %	84.9 %
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500		4	1		-75.0 %		1	1		25.0 %	100.0 %
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200	4	1	1	-75.0 %	0.0 %	2	0	0	50.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	47	39	94	-17.0 %	141.0 %	37	29	79	78.7 %	74.4 %	84.0 %
	IMMIGRATION	7300	36	64	45	77.8 %	-29.7 %	14	17	26	38.9 %	26.6 %	57.8 %
	RACIAL	7400		1			-100.0 %		1			100.0 %	
Total:			2484	2481	2463	-0.1 %	-0.7 %	1987	2039	2077	80.0 %	82.2 %	84.3 %

TOTAL			43,349	43,717	46,472	0.8 %	6.3 %	19,589	20,092	21,122	45.2 %	46.0 %	45.5 %
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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
Kapiti-Mana	852.0	798.6	890.3	-6.3 %	11.5 %
Lower Hutt	990.5	1,008.1	1,030.5	1.8 %	2.2 %
Upper Hutt	970.6	1,046.0	1,157.9	7.8 %	10.7 %
Wairarapa	1,159.8	1,225.7	1,076.5	5.7 %	-12.2 %
Wellington	1,071.0	1,050.8	1,119.6	-1.9 %	6.5 %
TOTAL	1,001.9	998.7	1,046.6	-0.3 %	4.8 %

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	7.6	7.5	8.4
	GROUP ASSEMBLIES	1800	0.8	0.8	1.2
	HOMICIDE	1100	0.3	0.3	0.3
	INTIMIDATION/THREATS	1700	24.2	28.7	28.1
	KIDNAPPING AND ABDUCTION	1200	0.5	0.6	0.5
	MINOR ASSAULTS	1600	36.2	37.4	34.8
	ROBBERY	1300	3.7	3.4	3.6
	SERIOUS ASSAULTS	1500	41.0	40.3	42.0
VIOLENCE			114.2	119.1	118.9

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	0.0	0.0
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR	2800	0.5	0.7	0.4
	IMMORAL BEHAVIOUR/MISCELLANEOUS	2900	0.1	0.2	0.1
	INDECENT VIDEOS	2500			
	SEXUAL AFFRONTS	2200	1.8	1.5	1.8
	SEXUAL ATTACKS	2600	5.2	5.6	4.8
SEXUAL OFFENCES			7.7	8.0	7.2

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
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	DISORDER	3500	48.4	52.1	55.0
	DRUGS(CANNABIS ONLY)	3200	42.7	40.4	37.0
	DRUGS (NEW DRUGS)	5900			2.2
	DRUGS (NOT CANNABIS)	3100	4.6	5.4	5.8
	FAMILY OFFENCES	3700	1.2	1.1	2.0
	FAMILY OFFENCES CONTINUED	3800	14.8	13.9	11.7
	GAMING	3400	0.0		
	SALE OF LIQUOR ACT 1989	3900	2.3	1.6	2.5
	VAGRANCY OFFENCES	3600	0.9	0.5	0.3
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES			114.9	114.9	116.3

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	131.0	125.2	148.0
	CAR CONVERSION ETC	4200	65.8	78.0	74.2
	DISHONESTY MISCELLANEOUS	4600			0.2
	FRAUD	4500	36.3	33.5	30.1
	RECEIVING	4400	6.5	6.9	7.5
	THEFT	4300	313.3	316.8	338.0
DISHONESTY			552.9	560.3	598.0

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
PROPERTY DAMAGE	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	5100	100.7	90.2	104.5
	ENDANGERING	5200	0.6	0.8	0.8
PROPERTY DAMAGE			101.3	91.0	105.3

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	0.9	0.7	0.6
	ARMS ACT OFFENCES	6800	3.5	4.0	4.8
	LITTERING	6200	0.8	0.6	0.5
	POSTAL/RAIL/FIRE SERVICE ABUSES	6500	13.2	11.0	11.3
	TRESPASS	6100	35.1	32.3	28.2
PROPERTY ABUSES			53.5	48.6	45.4

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
ADMINISTRATIVE	AGAINST JUSTICE	7100	55.4	54.2	52.3
	AGAINST NATIONAL INTEREST	7500		0.1	0.0
	BIRTHS/DEATHS AND MARRIAGES	7200	0.1	0.0	0.0
	BY - LAWS BREACHES	7600	1.1	0.9	2.1
	IMMIGRATION	7300	0.8	1.5	1.0
	RACIAL	7400		0.0	
ADMINISTRATIVE			57.4	56.7	55.5

DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY CATEGORIES

Years ending 30 June

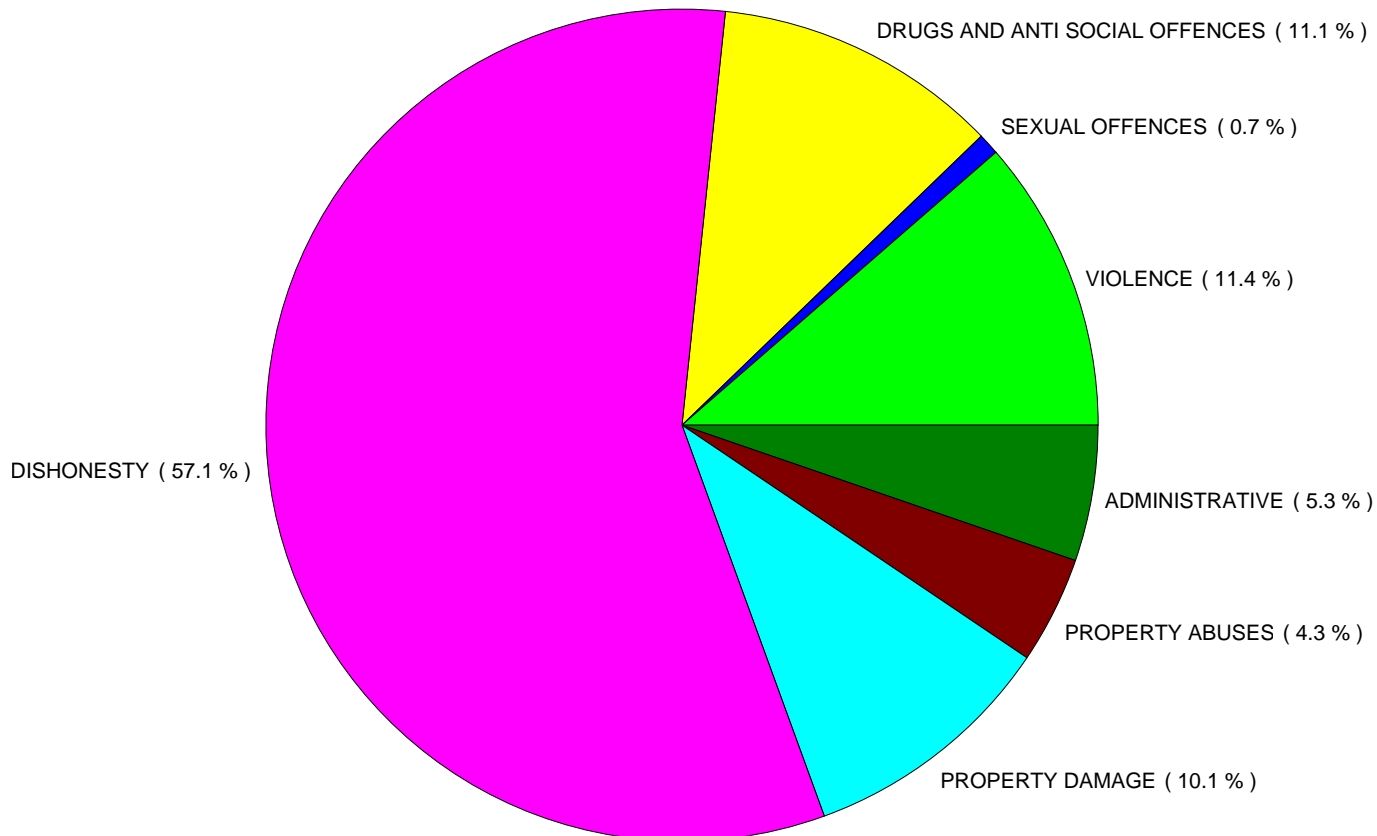
Offence Category	Offence Class	Offence Class Code	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2001	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2002	Recorded per 10,000 popn 2003
TOTAL			1001.9	998.7	1046.6

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	11.4 %	4,941	11.9 %	5,213	11.4 %	5,280
SEXUAL OFFENCES	0.8 %	334	0.8 %	351	0.7 %	320
DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES	11.5 %	4,971	11.5 %	5,031	11.1 %	5,165
DISHONESTY	55.2 %	23,923	56.1 %	24,528	57.1 %	26,554
PROPERTY DAMAGE	10.1 %	4,383	9.1 %	3,985	10.1 %	4,675
PROPERTY ABUSES	5.3 %	2,313	4.9 %	2,128	4.3 %	2,015
ADMINISTRATIVE	5.7 %	2,484	5.7 %	2,481	5.3 %	2,463
Total:	100.0 %	43,349	100.0 %	43,717	100.0 %	46,472

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
Kapiti-Mana	8,409	7,978	-5.1 %	9023	13.1 %	4,005	47.6 %	3,720	46.6 %	3,862	42.8 %
Lower Hutt	9,815	10,035	2.2 %	10305	2.7 %	4,255	43.4 %	4,236	42.2 %	4,896	47.5 %
Upper Hutt	3,659	3,954	8.1 %	4377	10.7 %	1,851	50.6 %	2,038	51.5 %	2,221	50.7 %
Wairarapa	4,528	4,785	5.7 %	4210	-12.0 %	2,493	55.1 %	2,459	51.4 %	2,275	54.0 %
Wellington	16,938	16,965	0.2 %	18557	9.4 %	6,985	41.2 %	7,639	45.0 %	7,868	42.4 %
Total:	43,349	43,717	0.8 %	46,472	6.3 %	19,589	45.2 %	20,092	46.0 %	21,122	45.5 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	1,067	1,112	4.2 %	936	-15.8 %	895	83.9 %	936	84.2 %	789	84.3 %
Lower Hutt	1,147	1,237	7.8 %	1,272	2.8 %	919	80.1 %	1,009	81.6 %	1,073	84.4 %
Upper Hutt	431	476	10.4 %	502	5.5 %	374	86.8 %	407	85.5 %	424	84.5 %
Wairarapa	617	681	10.4 %	648	-4.8 %	527	85.4 %	596	87.5 %	580	89.5 %
Wellington	1,679	1,707	1.7 %	1,922	12.6 %	1,313	78.2 %	1,412	82.7 %	1,542	80.2 %
Total:	4,941	5,213	5.5 %	5,280	1.3 %	4,028	81.5 %	4,360	83.6 %	4,408	83.5 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	55	72	30.9 %	49	-31.9 %	38	69.1 %	53	73.6 %	31	63.3 %
Lower Hutt	97	71	-26.8 %	65	-8.5 %	46	47.4 %	31	43.7 %	30	46.2 %
Upper Hutt	26	37	42.3 %	30	-18.9 %	17	65.4 %	21	56.8 %	19	63.3 %
Wairarapa	38	38	0.0 %	37	-2.6 %	13	34.2 %	23	60.5 %	19	51.4 %
Wellington	118	133	12.7 %	139	4.5 %	52	44.1 %	74	55.6 %	60	43.2 %
Total:	334	351	5.1 %	320	-8.8 %	166	49.7 %	202	57.5 %	159	49.7 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	905	773	-14.6 %	863	11.6 %	826	91.3 %	713	92.2 %	760	88.1 %
Lower Hutt	998	947	-5.1 %	1,069	12.9 %	864	86.6 %	838	88.5 %	957	89.5 %
Upper Hutt	490	502	2.4 %	584	16.3 %	463	94.5 %	461	91.8 %	463	79.3 %
Wairarapa	709	688	-3.0 %	655	-4.8 %	637	89.8 %	617	89.7 %	567	86.6 %
Wellington	1,869	2,121	13.5 %	1,994	-6.0 %	1,709	91.4 %	2,007	94.6 %	1,885	94.5 %
Total:	4,971	5,031	1.2 %	5,165	2.7 %	4,499	90.5 %	4,636	92.1 %	4,632	89.7 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	4,550	4,443	-2.4 %	4,972	11.9 %	1,294	28.4 %	1,255	28.2 %	1,303	26.2 %
Lower Hutt	5,062	5,496	8.6 %	5,763	4.9 %	1,198	23.7 %	1,207	22.0 %	1,594	27.7 %
Upper Hutt	1,775	1,935	9.0 %	1,981	2.4 %	460	25.9 %	599	31.0 %	577	29.1 %
Wairarapa	1,860	2,192	17.8 %	1,975	-9.9 %	579	31.1 %	595	27.1 %	610	30.9 %
Wellington	10,676	10,462	-2.0 %	11,863	13.4 %	2,480	23.2 %	2,643	25.3 %	2,780	23.4 %
Total:	23,923	24,528	2.5 %	26,554	8.3 %	6,011	25.1 %	6,299	25.7 %	6,864	25.8 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	1,176	1,003	-14.7 %	1,606	60.1 %	458	38.9 %	303	30.2 %	499	31.1 %
Lower Hutt	867	854	-1.5 %	924	8.2 %	324	37.4 %	274	32.1 %	339	36.7 %
Upper Hutt	385	376	-2.3 %	470	25.0 %	119	30.9 %	94	25.0 %	144	30.6 %
Wairarapa	671	629	-6.3 %	468	-25.6 %	220	32.8 %	174	27.7 %	146	31.2 %
Wellington	1,284	1,123	-12.5 %	1,207	7.5 %	400	31.2 %	374	33.3 %	416	34.5 %
Total:	4,383	3,985	-9.1 %	4,675	17.3 %	1,521	34.7 %	1,219	30.6 %	1,544	33.0 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	401	361	-10.0 %	368	1.9 %	284	70.8 %	268	74.2 %	264	71.7 %
Lower Hutt	763	599	-21.5 %	427	-28.7 %	273	35.8 %	251	41.9 %	263	61.6 %
Upper Hutt	194	184	-5.2 %	201	9.2 %	142	73.2 %	119	64.7 %	154	76.6 %
Wairarapa	295	272	-7.8 %	258	-5.1 %	221	74.9 %	203	74.6 %	199	77.1 %
Wellington	660	712	7.9 %	761	6.9 %	457	69.2 %	496	69.7 %	558	73.3 %
Total:	2,313	2,128	-8.0 %	2,015	-5.3 %	1,377	59.5 %	1,337	62.8 %	1,438	71.4 %

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
Kapiti-Mana	255	214	-16.1 %	229	7.0 %	210	82.4 %	192	89.7 %	216	94.3 %
Lower Hutt	881	831	-5.7 %	785	-5.5 %	631	71.6 %	626	75.3 %	640	81.5 %
Upper Hutt	358	444	24.0 %	609	37.2 %	276	77.1 %	337	75.9 %	440	72.2 %
Wairarapa	338	285	-15.7 %	169	-40.7 %	296	87.6 %	251	88.1 %	154	91.1 %
Wellington	652	707	8.4 %	671	-5.1 %	574	88.0 %	633	89.5 %	627	93.4 %
Total:	2,484	2,481	-0.1 %	2,463	-0.7 %	1,987	80.0 %	2,039	82.2 %	2,077	84.3 %

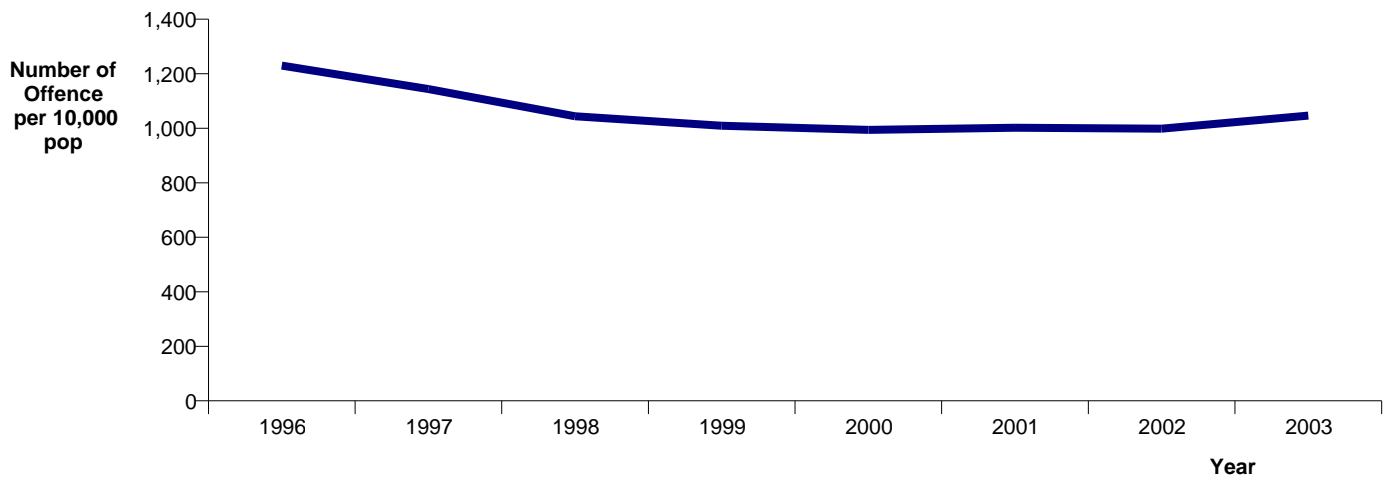
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Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME

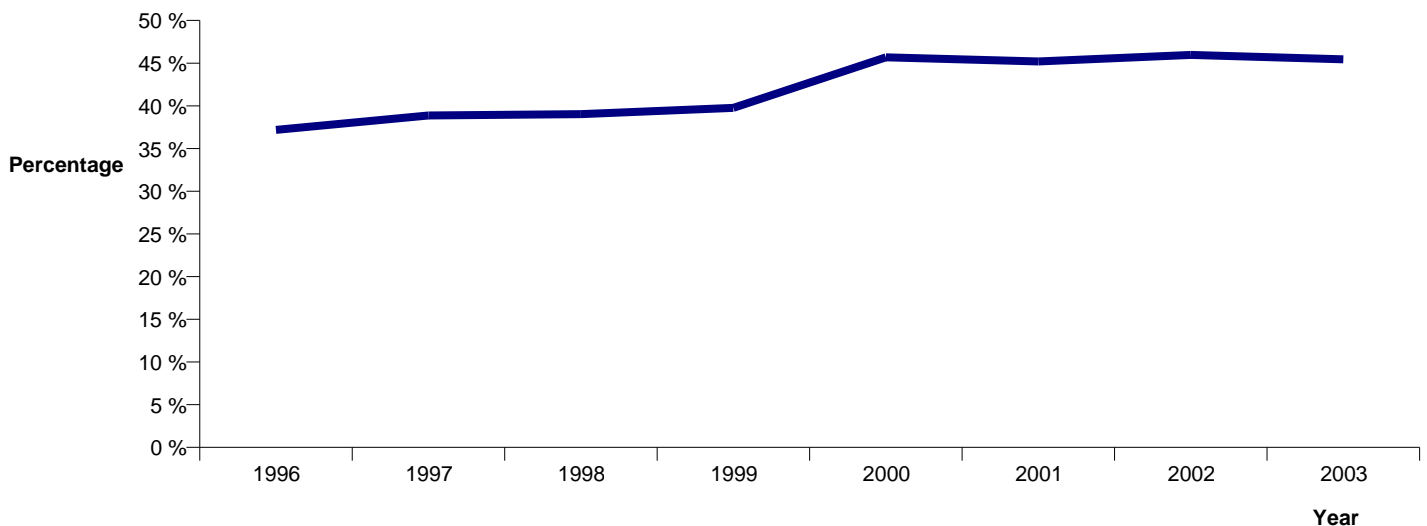
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1996	51589		1,229.8		19181	37.2 %	
1997	48490	-6.0 %	1,143.9	-7.0 %	18850	38.9 %	1.7 %
1998	44526	-8.2 %	1,044.2	-8.7 %	17375	39.0 %	0.1 %
1999	43222	-2.9 %	1,009.4	-3.3 %	17186	39.8 %	0.7 %
2000	42729	-1.1 %	994.0	-1.5 %	19519	45.7 %	5.9 %
2001	43349	1.5 %	1,001.9	0.8 %	19589	45.2 %	-0.5 %
2002	43717	0.8 %	998.7	-0.3 %	20092	46.0 %	0.8 %
2003	46472	6.3 %	1,046.6	4.8 %	21122	45.5 %	-0.5 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



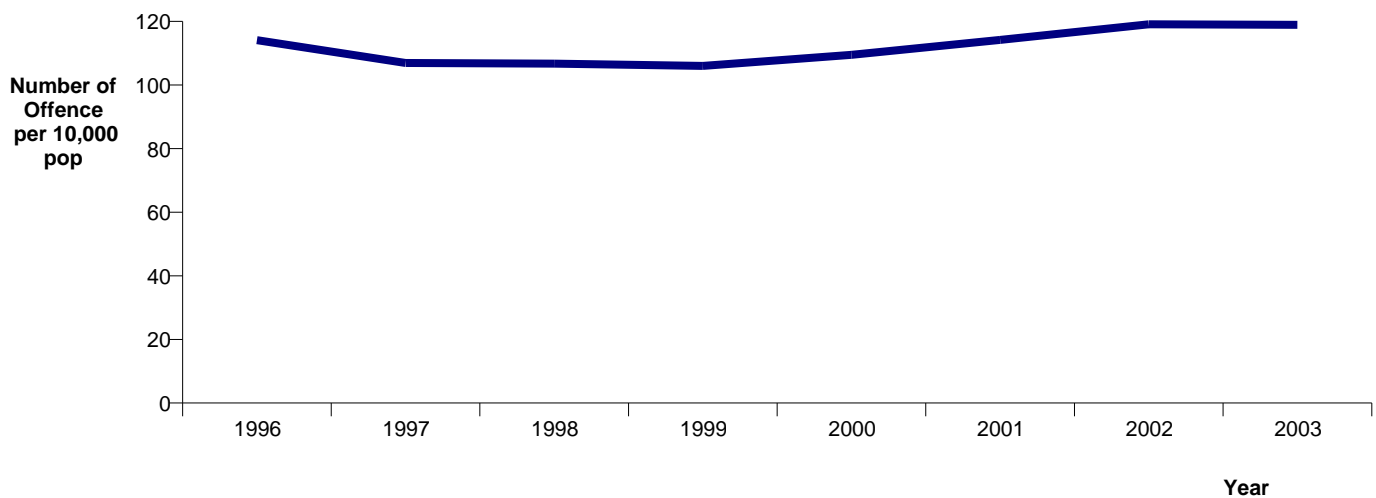
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Years ending 31 December

VIOLENCE

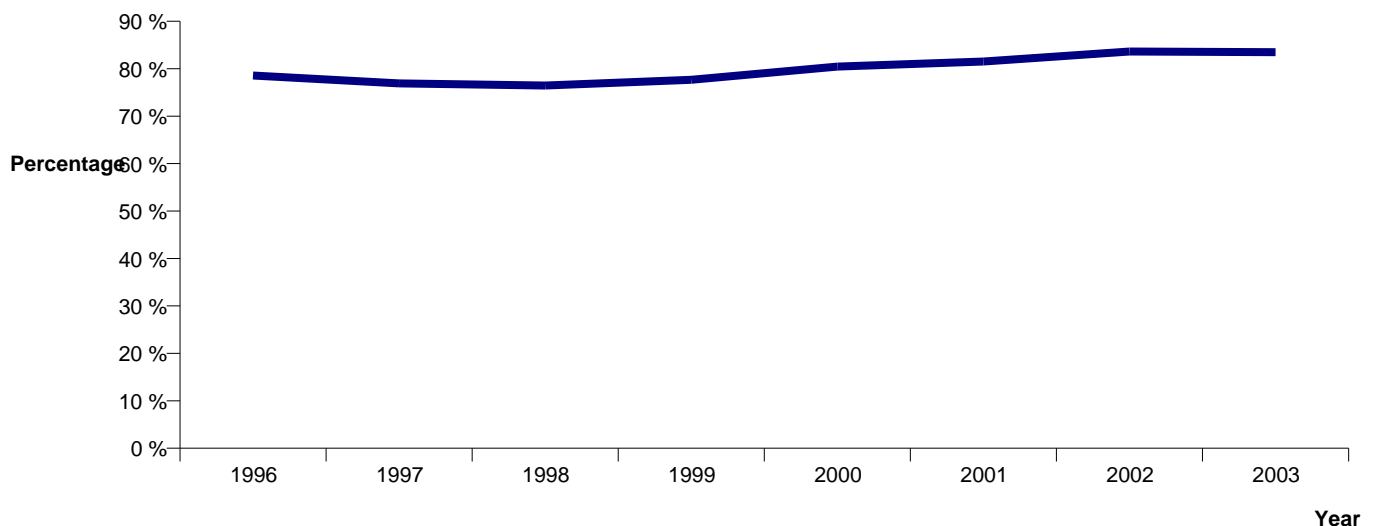
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1996	4787		114.1		3761	78.6 %	
1997	4532	-5.3 %	106.9	-6.3 %	3486	76.9 %	-1.6 %
1998	4551	0.4 %	106.7	-0.2 %	3480	76.5 %	-0.5 %
1999	4539	-0.3 %	106.0	-0.7 %	3525	77.7 %	1.2 %
2000	4706	3.7 %	109.5	3.3 %	3786	80.5 %	2.8 %
2001	4941	5.0 %	114.2	4.3 %	4028	81.5 %	1.1 %
2002	5213	5.5 %	119.1	4.3 %	4360	83.6 %	2.1 %
2003	5280	1.3 %	118.9	-0.1 %	4408	83.5 %	-0.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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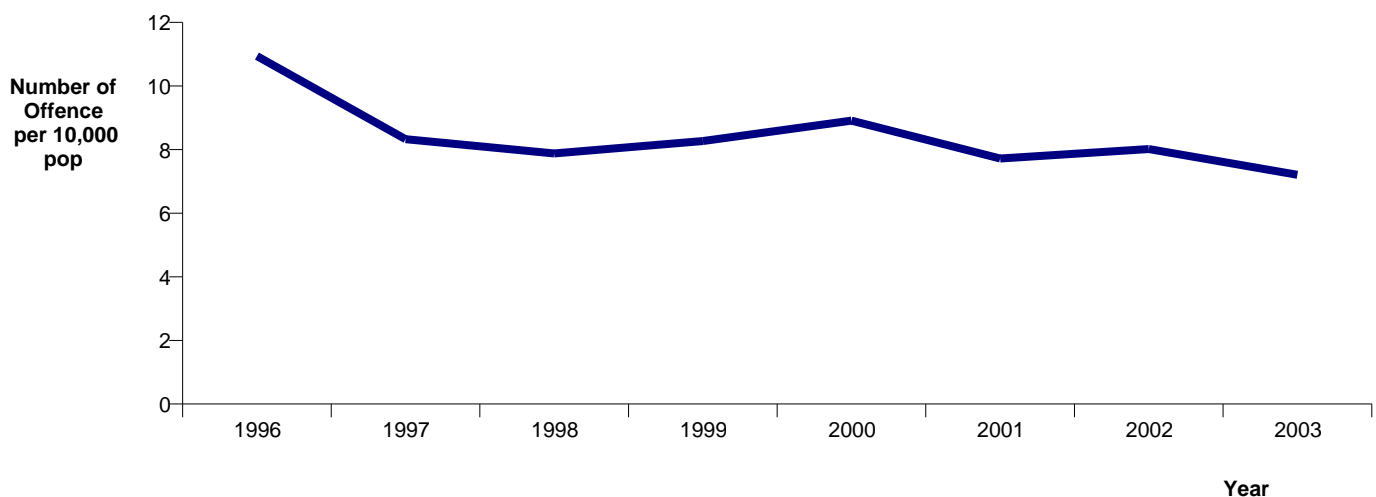
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SEXUAL OFFENCES

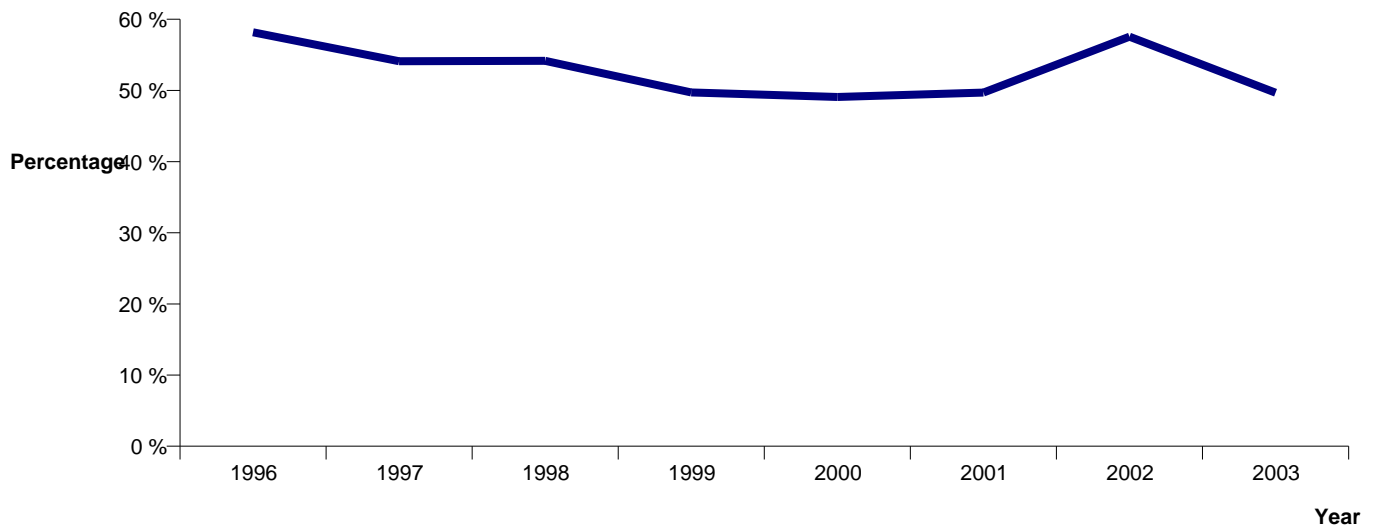
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1996	459		10.9		267	58.2 %	
1997	353	-23.1 %	8.3	-23.9 %	191	54.1 %	-4.1 %
1998	336	-4.8 %	7.9	-5.4 %	182	54.2 %	0.1 %
1999	354	5.4 %	8.3	4.9 %	176	49.7 %	-4.4 %
2000	383	8.2 %	8.9	7.8 %	188	49.1 %	-0.6 %
2001	334	-12.8 %	7.7	-13.4 %	166	49.7 %	0.6 %
2002	351	5.1 %	8.0	3.9 %	202	57.5 %	7.8 %
2003	320	-8.8 %	7.2	-10.1 %	159	49.7 %	-7.9 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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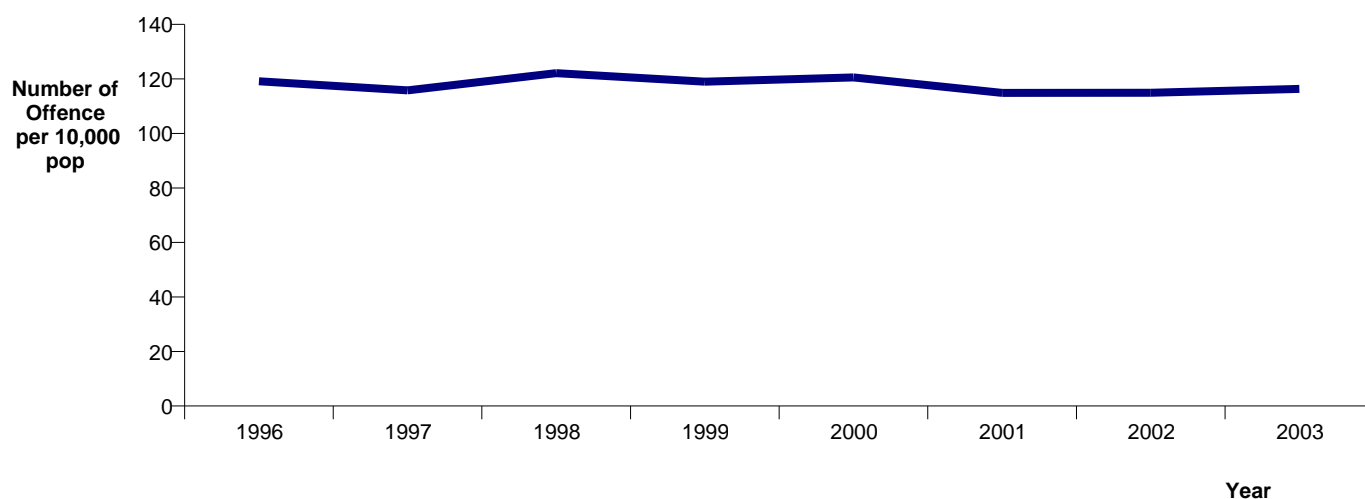
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DRUGS AND ANTI SOCIAL OFFENCES

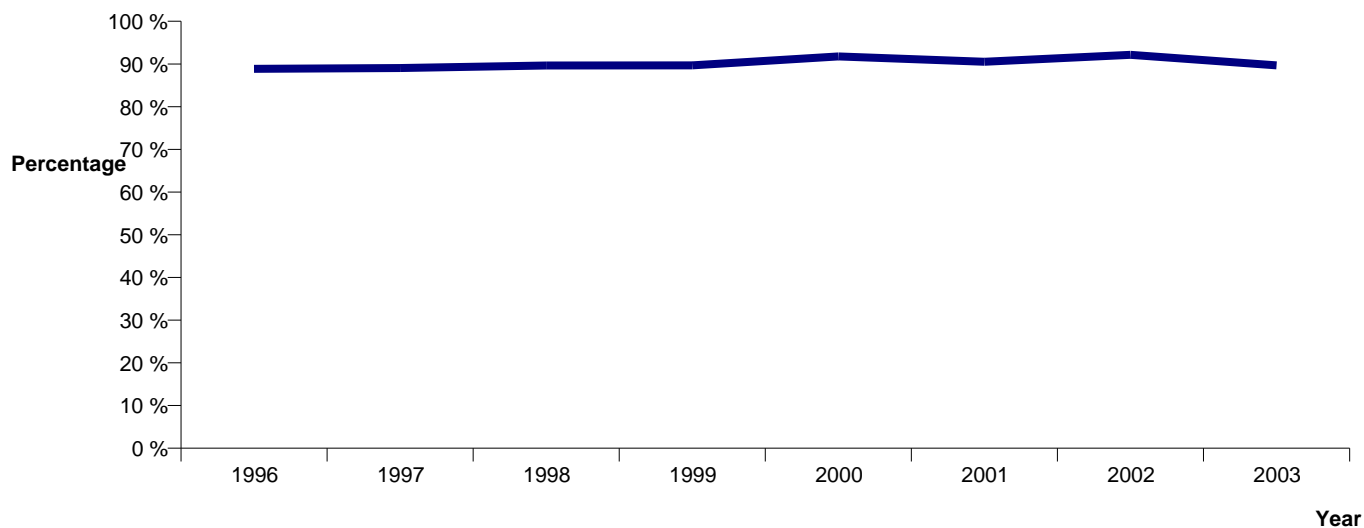
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1996	4997		119.1		4441	88.9 %	
1997	4908	-1.8 %	115.8	-2.8 %	4370	89.0 %	0.2 %
1998	5208	6.1 %	122.1	5.5 %	4668	89.6 %	0.6 %
1999	5095	-2.2 %	119.0	-2.6 %	4569	89.7 %	0.0 %
2000	5183	1.7 %	120.6	1.3 %	4756	91.8 %	2.1 %
2001	4971	-4.1 %	114.9	-4.7 %	4499	90.5 %	-1.3 %
2002	5031	1.2 %	114.9	0.0 %	4636	92.1 %	1.6 %
2003	5165	2.7 %	116.3	1.2 %	4632	89.7 %	-2.5 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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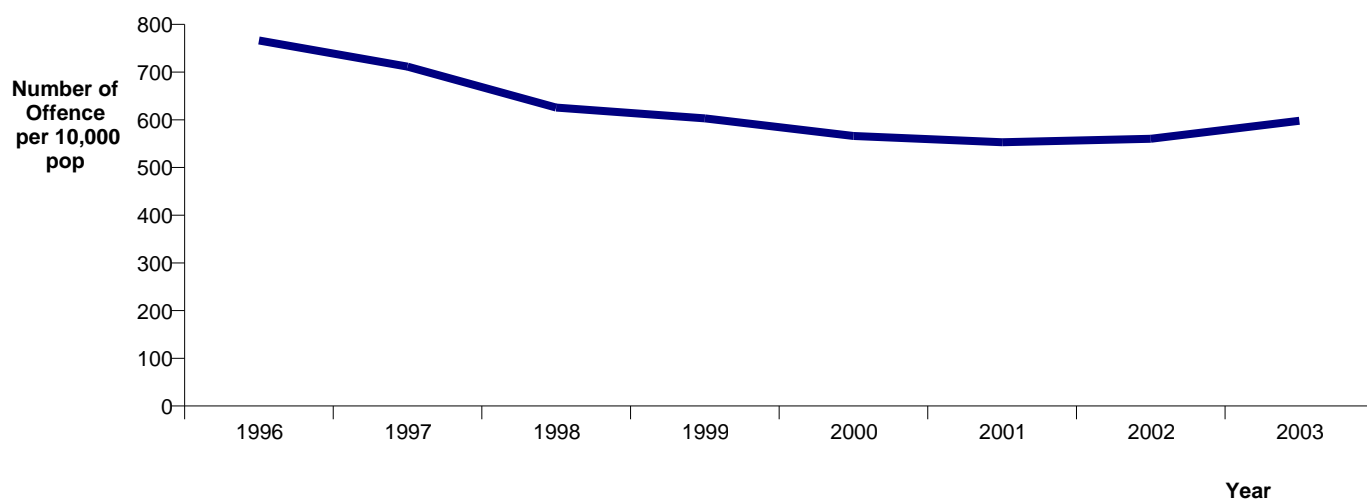
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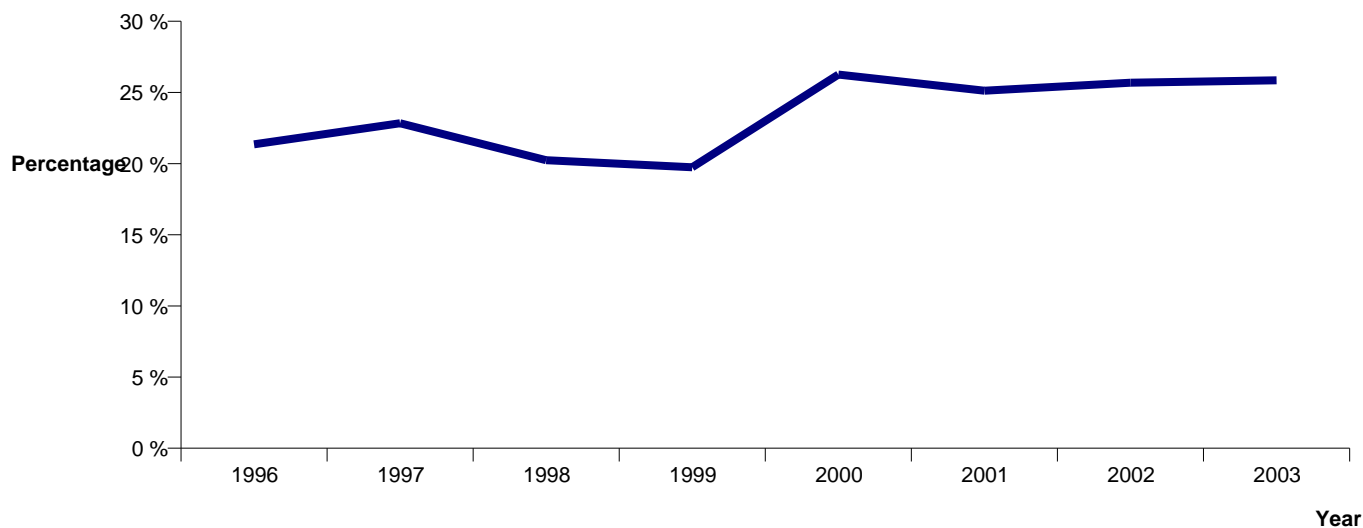
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1996	32149		766.4		6864	21.4 %	
1997	30155	-6.2 %	711.4	-7.2 %	6886	22.8 %	1.5 %
1998	26676	-11.5 %	625.6	-12.1 %	5400	20.2 %	-2.6 %
1999	25818	-3.2 %	603.0	-3.6 %	5096	19.7 %	-0.5 %
2000	24333	-5.8 %	566.1	-6.1 %	6388	26.3 %	6.5 %
2001	23923	-1.7 %	552.9	-2.3 %	6011	25.1 %	-1.1 %
2002	24528	2.5 %	560.3	1.3 %	6299	25.7 %	0.6 %
2003	26554	8.3 %	598.0	6.7 %	6864	25.8 %	0.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



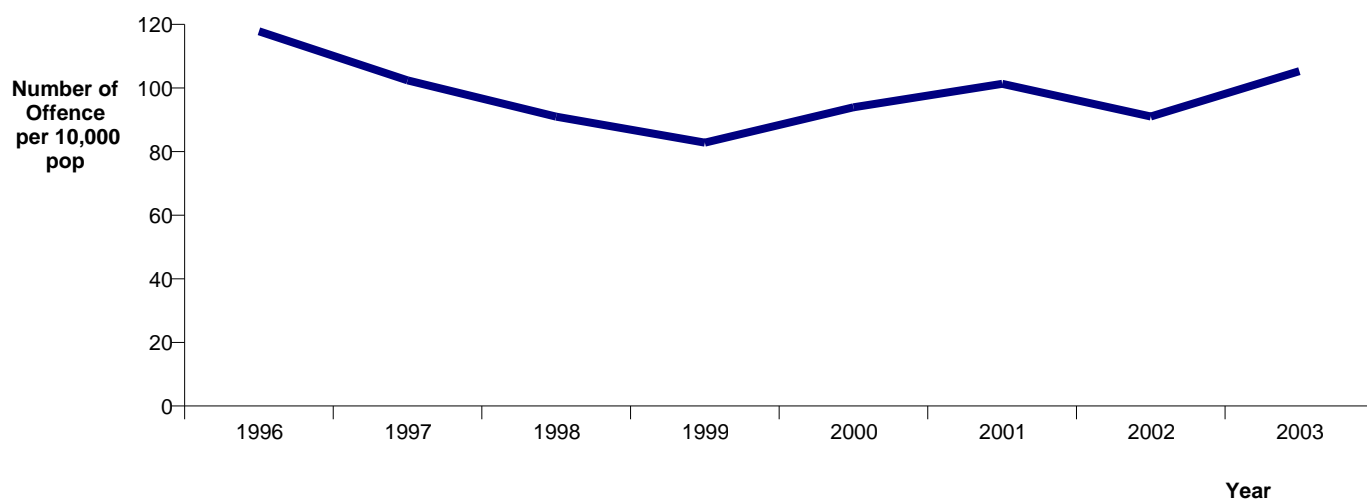
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PROPERTY DAMAGE

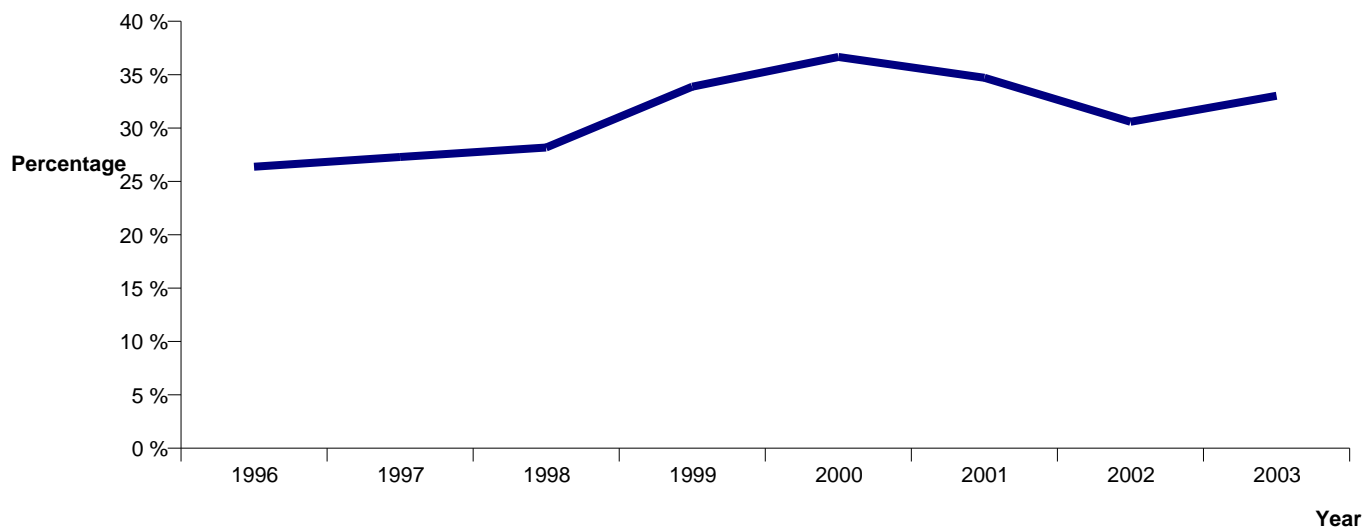
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1996	4944		117.9		1304	26.4 %	
1997	4340	-12.2 %	102.4	-13.1 %	1184	27.3 %	0.9 %
1998	3880	-10.6 %	91.0	-11.1 %	1093	28.2 %	0.9 %
1999	3546	-8.6 %	82.8	-9.0 %	1201	33.9 %	5.7 %
2000	4037	13.8 %	93.9	13.4 %	1480	36.7 %	2.8 %
2001	4383	8.6 %	101.3	7.9 %	1521	34.7 %	-2.0 %
2002	3985	-9.1 %	91.0	-10.1 %	1219	30.6 %	-4.1 %
2003	4675	17.3 %	105.3	15.7 %	1544	33.0 %	2.4 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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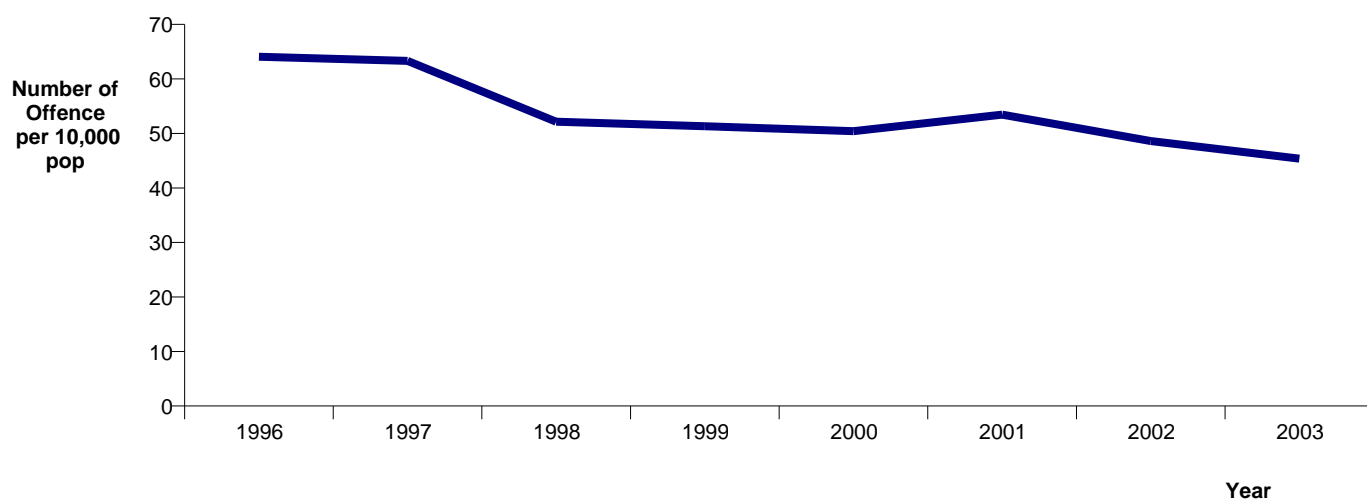
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PROPERTY ABUSES

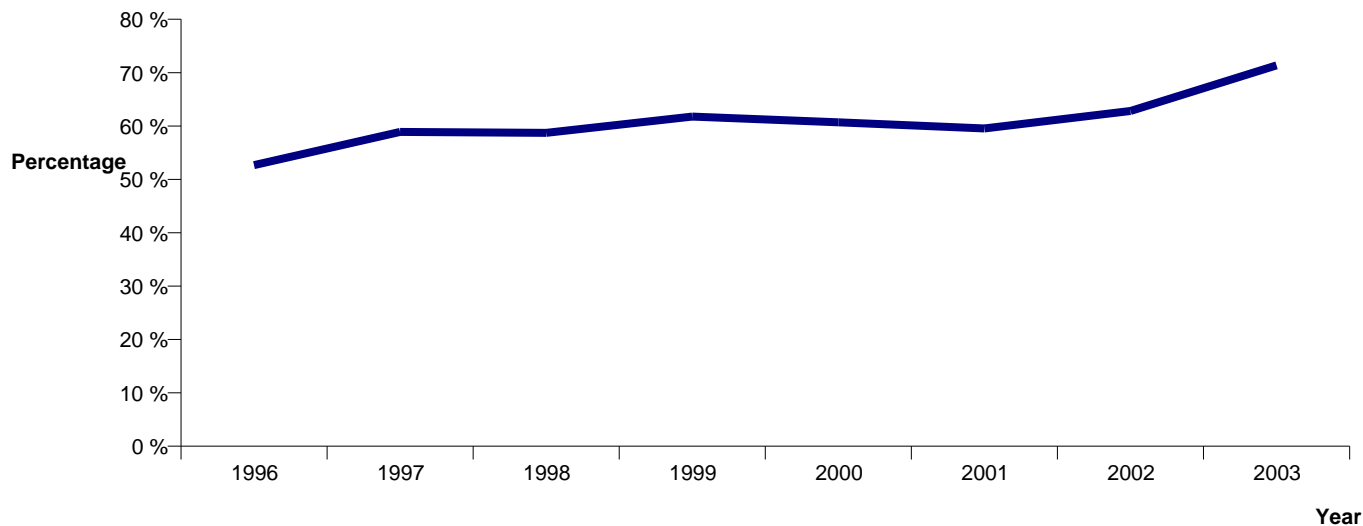
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1996	2687		64.1		1415	52.7 %	
1997	2684	-0.1 %	63.3	-1.2 %	1581	58.9 %	6.2 %
1998	2224	-17.1 %	52.2	-17.6 %	1306	58.7 %	-0.2 %
1999	2197	-1.2 %	51.3	-1.6 %	1357	61.8 %	3.0 %
2000	2167	-1.4 %	50.4	-1.8 %	1315	60.7 %	-1.1 %
2001	2313	6.7 %	53.5	6.0 %	1377	59.5 %	-1.1 %
2002	2128	-8.0 %	48.6	-9.1 %	1337	62.8 %	3.3 %
2003	2015	-5.3 %	45.4	-6.6 %	1438	71.4 %	8.5 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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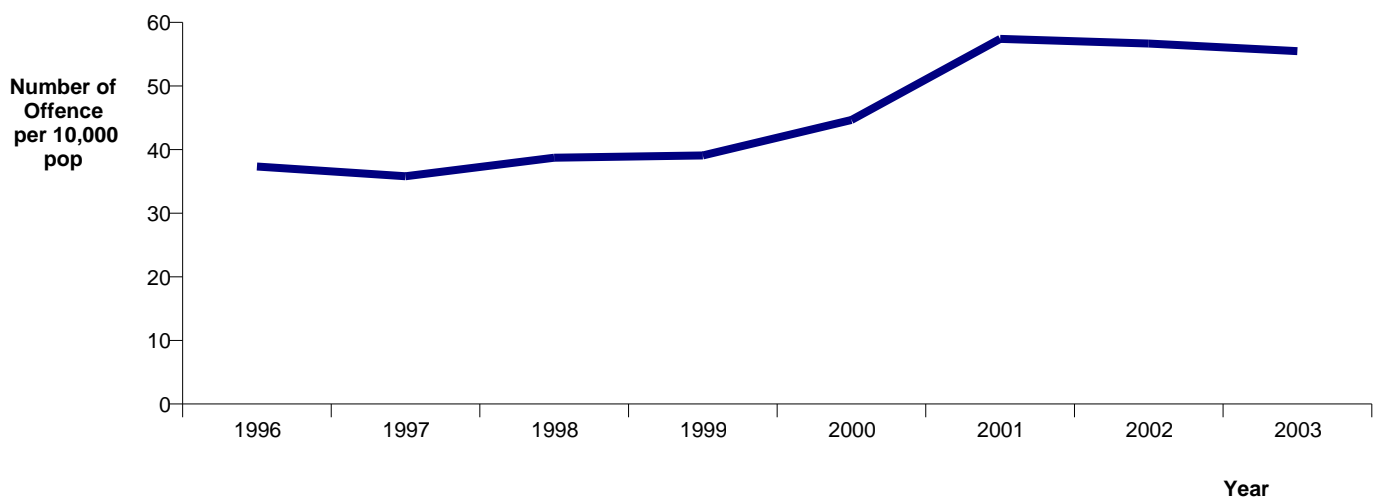
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ADMINISTRATIVE

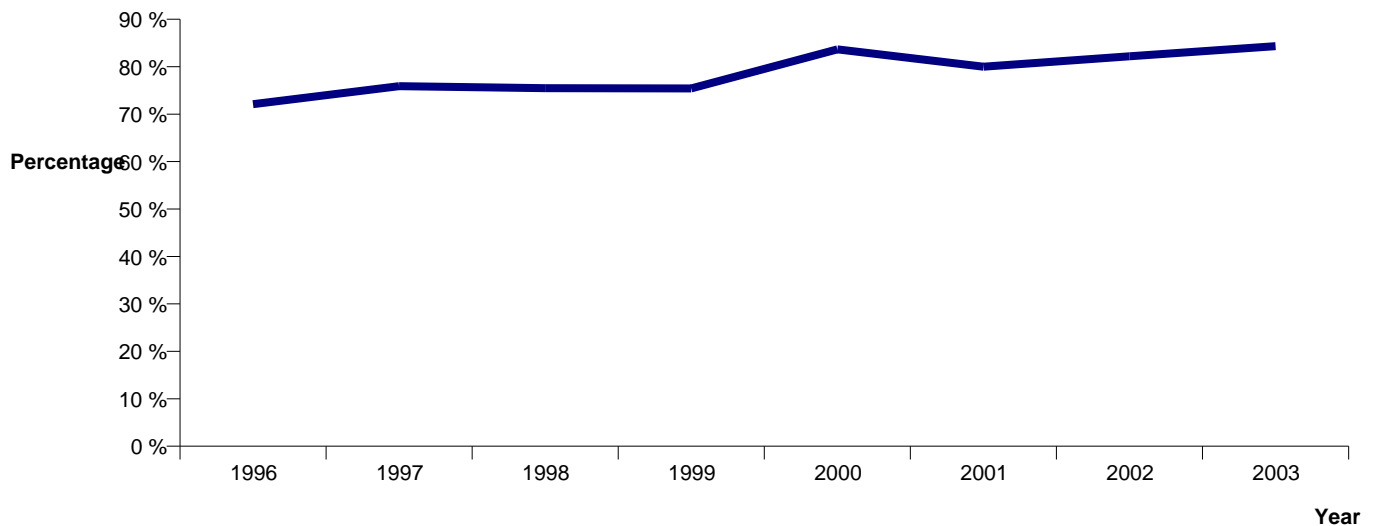
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1996	1566		37.3		1129	72.1 %	
1997	1518	-3.1 %	35.8	-4.1 %	1152	75.9 %	3.8 %
1998	1651	8.8 %	38.7	8.1 %	1246	75.5 %	-0.4 %
1999	1673	1.3 %	39.1	0.9 %	1262	75.4 %	-0.0 %
2000	1920	14.8 %	44.7	14.3 %	1606	83.6 %	8.2 %
2001	2484	29.4 %	57.4	28.5 %	1987	80.0 %	-3.7 %
2002	2481	-0.1 %	56.7	-1.3 %	2039	82.2 %	2.2 %
2003	2463	-0.7 %	55.5	-2.1 %	2077	84.3 %	2.1 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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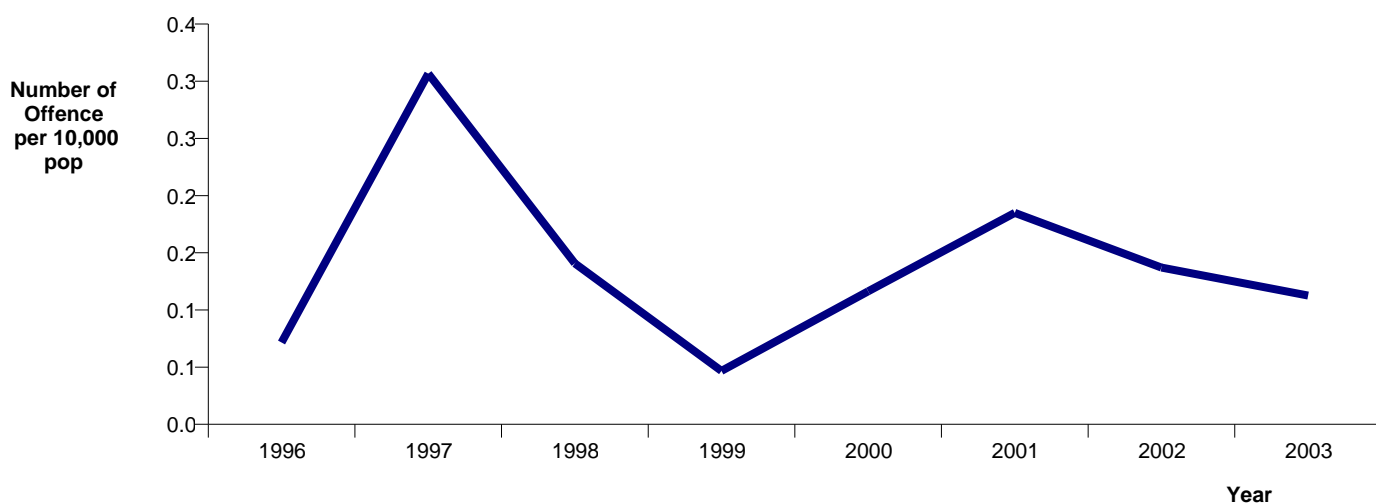
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MURDER *

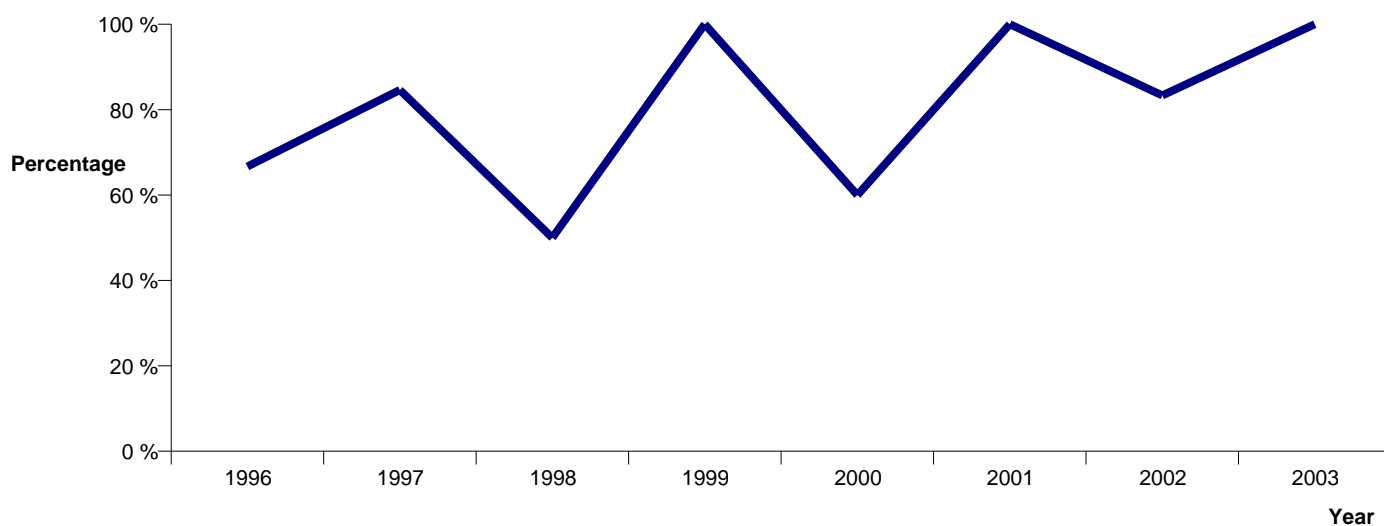
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1996	3		0.1		2	66.7 %	
1997	13	333.3 %	0.3	328.8 %	11	84.6 %	17.9 %
1998	6	-53.8 %	0.1	-54.1 %	3	50.0 %	-34.6 %
1999	2	-66.7 %	0.0	-66.8 %	2	100.0 %	50.0 %
2000	5	150.0 %	0.1	149.0 %	3	60.0 %	-40.0 %
2001	8	60.0 %	0.2	59.0 %	8	100.0 %	40.0 %
2002	6	-25.0 %	0.1	-25.9 %	5	83.3 %	-16.7 %
2003	5	-16.7 %	0.1	-17.8 %	5	100.0 %	16.7 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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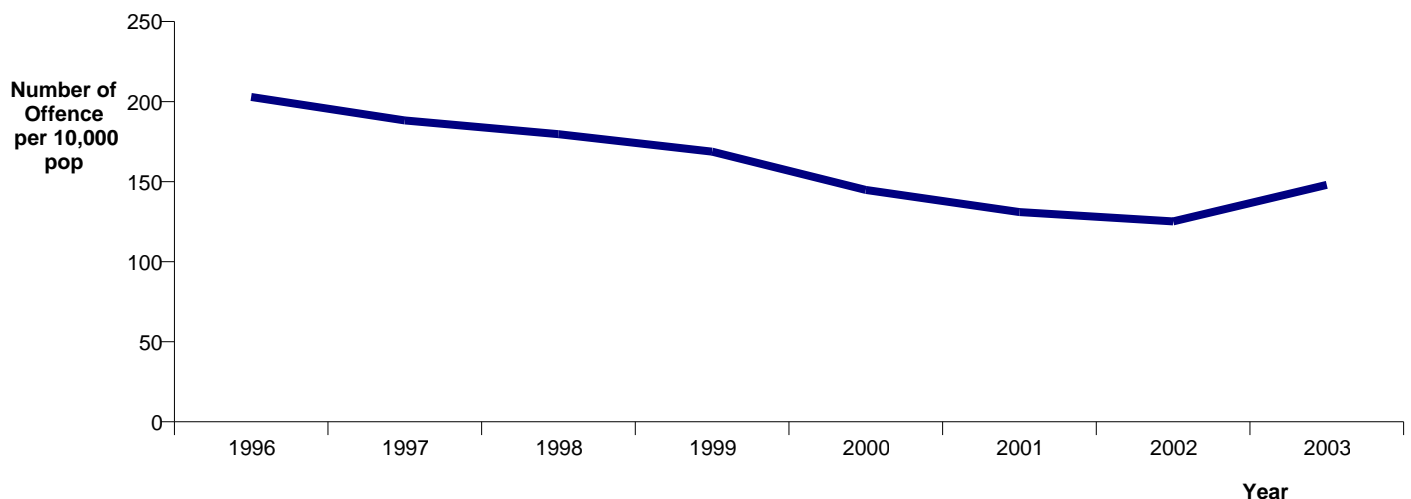
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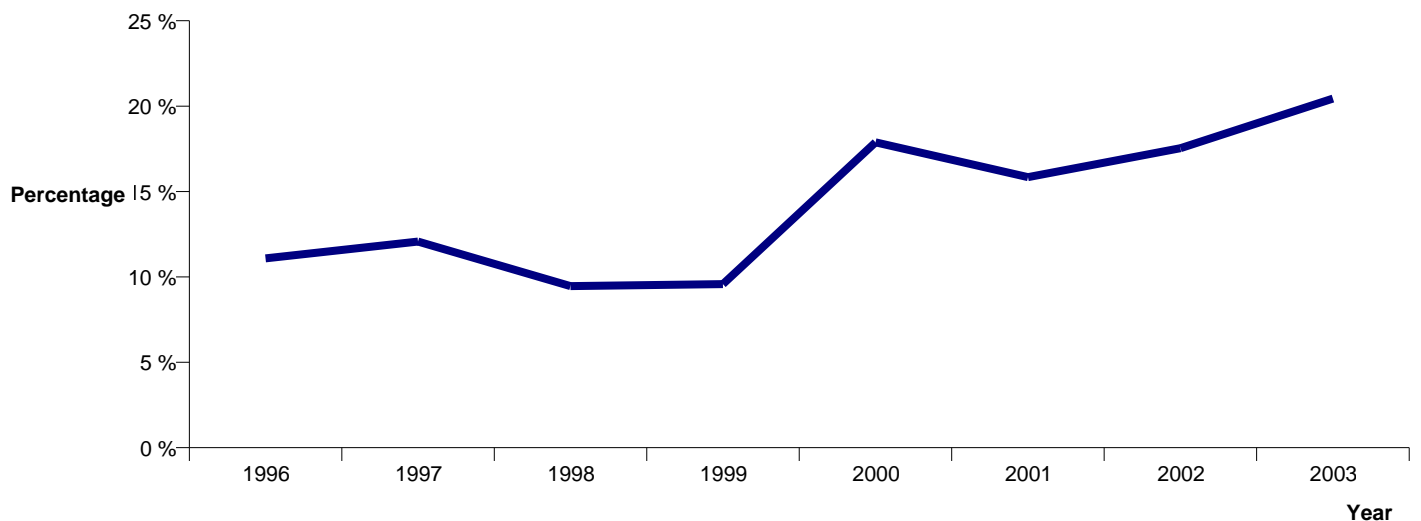
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1996	8512		202.9		944	11.1 %	
1997	7980	-6.3 %	188.3	-7.2 %	963	12.1 %	1.0 %
1998	7662	-4.0 %	179.7	-4.6 %	725	9.5 %	-2.6 %
1999	7225	-5.7 %	168.7	-6.1 %	692	9.6 %	0.1 %
2000	6225	-13.8 %	144.8	-14.2 %	1113	17.9 %	8.3 %
2001	5669	-8.9 %	131.0	-9.5 %	898	15.8 %	-2.0 %
2002	5479	-3.4 %	125.2	-4.5 %	961	17.5 %	1.7 %
2003	6570	19.9 %	148.0	18.2 %	1343	20.4 %	2.9 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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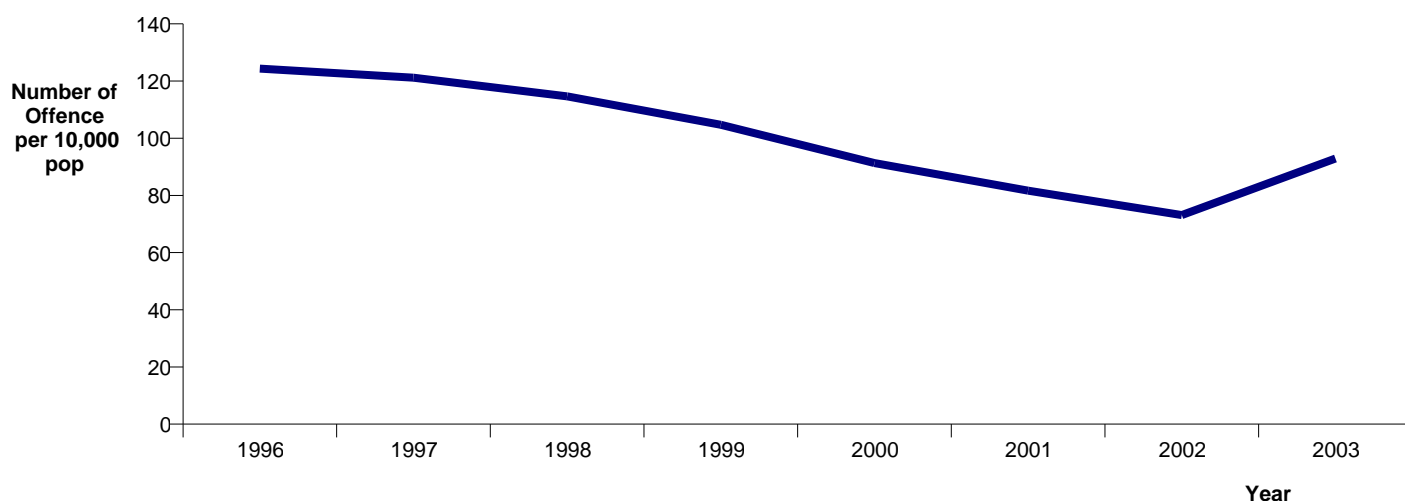
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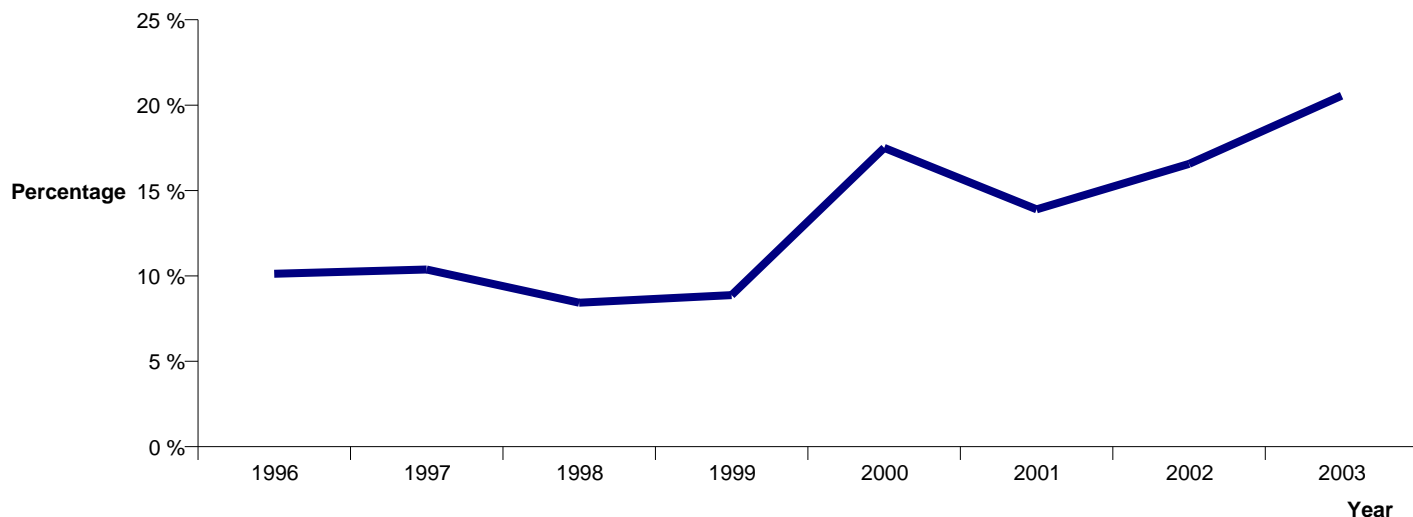
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1996	5216		124.3		528	10.1 %	
1997	5136	-1.5 %	121.2	-2.6 %	533	10.4 %	0.3 %
1998	4889	-4.8 %	114.7	-5.4 %	412	8.4 %	-2.0 %
1999	4483	-8.3 %	104.7	-8.7 %	398	8.9 %	0.5 %
2000	3926	-12.4 %	91.3	-12.8 %	687	17.5 %	8.6 %
2001	3533	-10.0 %	81.7	-10.6 %	491	13.9 %	-3.6 %
2002	3201	-9.4 %	73.1	-10.4 %	530	16.6 %	2.7 %
2003	4126	28.9 %	92.9	27.1 %	848	20.6 %	4.0 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

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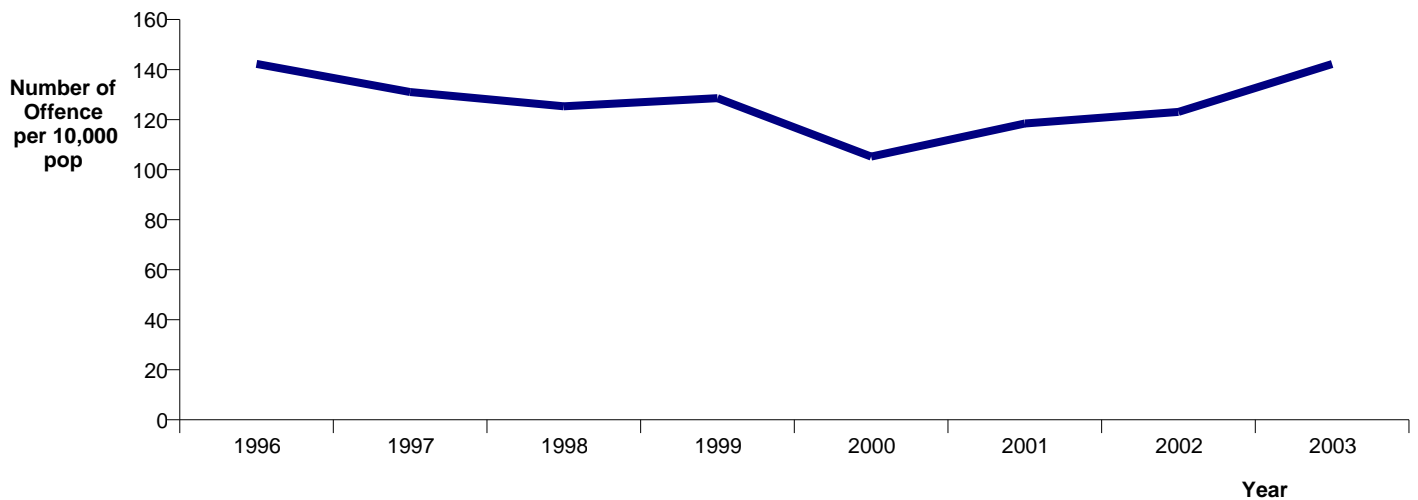


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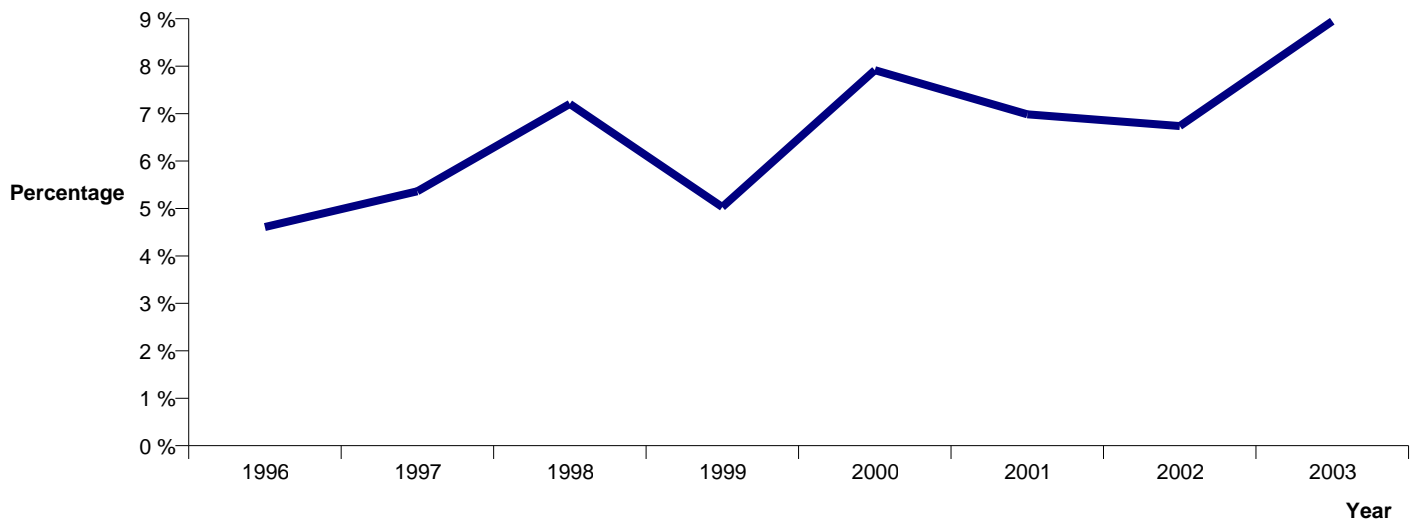
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1996	5967		142.2		275	4.6 %	
1997	5555	-6.9 %	131.0	-7.9 %	298	5.4 %	0.8 %
1998	5343	-3.8 %	125.3	-4.4 %	385	7.2 %	1.8 %
1999	5506	3.1 %	128.6	2.6 %	277	5.0 %	-2.2 %
2000	4522	-17.9 %	105.2	-18.2 %	358	7.9 %	2.9 %
2001	5124	13.3 %	118.4	12.6 %	358	7.0 %	-0.9 %
2002	5387	5.1 %	123.1	3.9 %	363	6.7 %	-0.2 %
2003	6314	17.2 %	142.2	15.6 %	565	8.9 %	2.2 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)

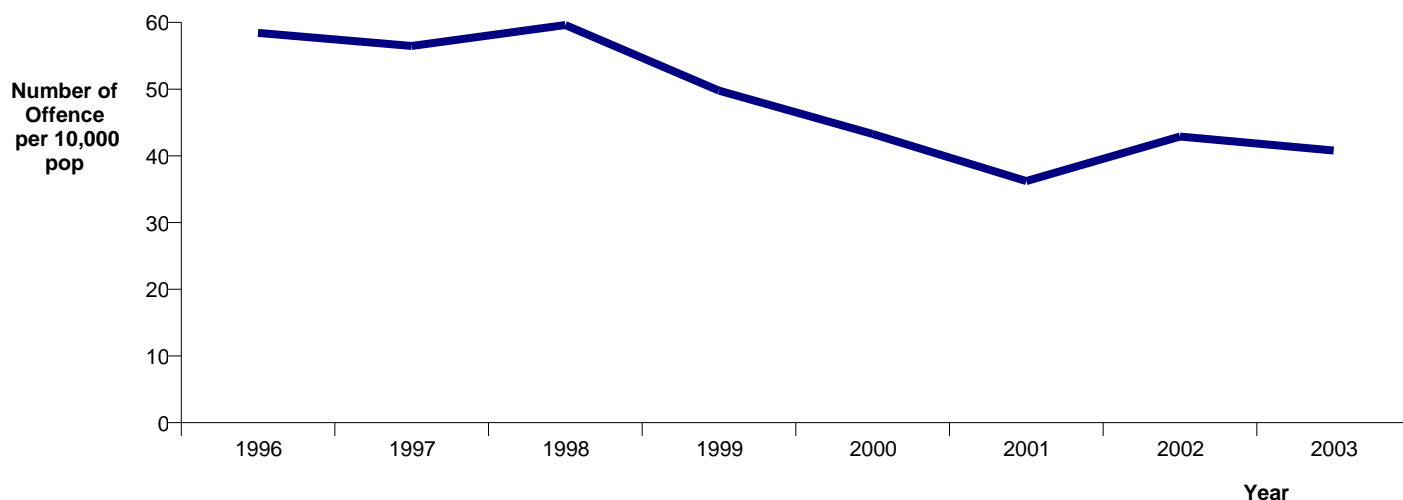


**RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES
FOR SELECTED OFFENCES
Years ending 31 December**

CAR THEFT & UNLAWFUL TAKING/CONVERSION OF MOTOR VEHICLES*

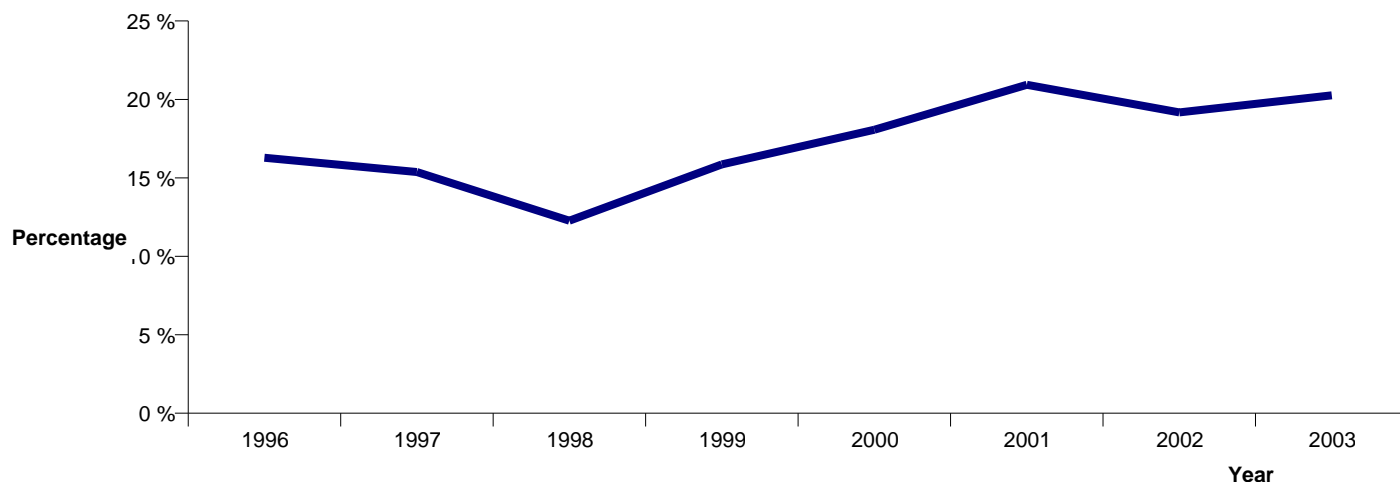
CALENDAR YEAR	TOTAL RECORDED OFFENCES	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES	RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	VARIATION IN RECORDED OFFENCES PER 10,000 POPULATION	TOTAL RESOLVED OFFENCES	RESOLUTION RATE	VARIATION IN RESOLUTION RATE
1996	2451		58.4		399	16.3 %	
1997	2394	-2.3 %	56.5	-3.3 %	368	15.4 %	-0.9 %
1998	2542	6.2 %	59.6	5.6 %	312	12.3 %	-3.1 %
1999	2131	-16.2 %	49.8	-16.5 %	338	15.9 %	3.6 %
2000	1860	-12.7 %	43.3	-13.1 %	336	18.1 %	2.2 %
2001	1567	-15.8 %	36.2	-16.3 %	328	20.9 %	2.9 %
2002	1878	19.8 %	42.9	18.5 %	360	19.2 %	-1.8 %
2003	1811	-3.6 %	40.8	-4.9 %	367	20.3 %	1.1 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



* 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	419,480
1997	423,890
1998	426,420
1999	428,180
2000	429,870
2001	432,680
2002	437,730
2003	444,010