



Section Five

INDEX OFFENSE ANALYSIS

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CRIME INDEX FOR POPULATION GROUPS - 2009

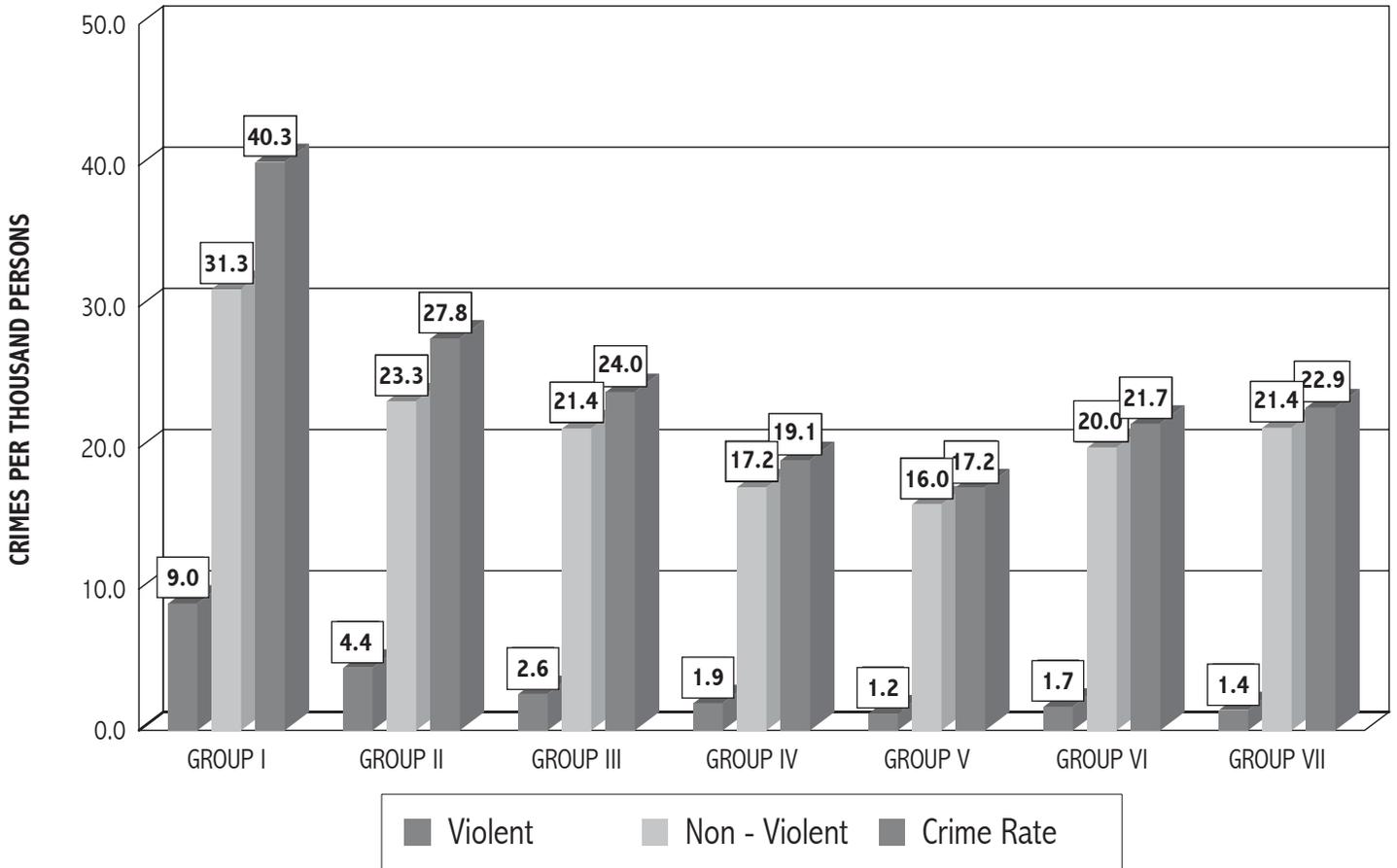
The presentation of crime statistics by population groups was made for the purpose of projecting, for consideration, the relative crime experience of communities of varying populations. Although the individual municipalities within the various groups may be geographically separated, their inclusion into a specific group was predicated by the similarity in population with the other municipalities within the group. Municipalities within the same group may differ widely when all factors are considered, but they do share the common bond of population size. The grouping of communities in this manner allows recognition of variances in the crime volumes, rates and clearances between the established groups.

Set forth below are the established municipal groupings as used in this section:

POPULATION GROUPS	TOTAL CRIME INDEX	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggra- vated assault	Burglary	Larceny- Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft
GROUP I 4 Municipalities over 100,000 Population - 790,492 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	31,889 40.3 15.8	128 0.2	191 0.2	3,650 4.6	3,146 4.0	5,613 7.1	13,594 17.2	5,567 7.0
GROUP II 29 Municipalities 50,000 - 100,000 Population - 1,941,248 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	53,907 27.8 21.0	105 0.1	283 0.1	3,661 1.9	4,576 2.4	9,888 5.1	31,317 16.1	4,077 2.1
GROUP III 63 Municipalities 25,000 - 50,000 Population - 2,188,456 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	52,499 24.0 22.9	42 *	244 0.1	2,427 1.1	2,956 1.4	8,614 3.9	35,299 16.1	2,917 1.3
GROUP IV 71 Municipalities 15,000 - 25,000 Population - 1,381,428 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	26,469 19.2 23.5	16 *	136 0.1	1,009 0.7	1,492 1.1	4,683 3.4	17,807 12.9	1,326 1.0
GROUP V 217 Municipalities 5,000 - 15,000 Population - 1,928,770 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	33,129 17.2 22.8	21 *	138 0.1	716 0.4	1,429 0.7	6,077 3.2	23,446 12.2	1,302 0.7
GROUP VI 108 Municipalities 2,000 - 5,000 Population - 365,658 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	7,980 21.8 22.6	7 *	45 0.1	159 0.4	408 1.1	1,624 4.4	5,487 15.0	250 0.7
GROUP VII 74 Municipalities Under 2,000 Population - 86,609 Rate per 1,000 inhabitants Percent Index Offenses Cleared	1,968 22.7 18.5	1 *	4 *	15 0.2	103 1.2	429 5.0	1,354 15.6	62 0.7

* Less than one-tenth of one percent.

COMPARATIVE CRIME RATES FOR POPULATION GROUPS 2009



- GROUP I Four municipalities with populations over 100,000
- GROUP II Twenty-nine municipalities with populations between 50,000 - 100,000
- GROUP III Sixty-three municipalities with populations between 25,000 - 50,000
- GROUP IV Seventy-one municipalities with populations between 15,000 - 25,000
- GROUP V Two hundred seventeen municipalities with populations between 5,000 - 15,000
- GROUP VI One hundred eight municipalities with populations between 2,000 - 5,000
- GROUP VII Seventy-four municipalities with populations under 2,000

Percent distribution may not add to 100 due to rounding.

URBAN – SUBURBAN – RURAL CRIME 5 YEAR COMPARISON 2005/2009 Summary Analysis

OFFENSES	URBAN			SUBURBAN			RURAL		
	2005	2009	Percent Change	2005	2009	Percent Change	2005	2009	Percent Change
Murder	364	264	-27	40	37	-8	14	19	36
Rape	721	635	-12	409	316	-23	74	90	22
Robbery	11,122	9,425	-15	1,822	1,935	6	265	277	5
Aggravated Assault	11,637	9,902	-15	3,376	3,279	-3	1,060	929	-12
Burglary	23,037	20,374	-12	12,614	12,991	3	3,259	3,563	9
Larceny-Theft	69,744	62,805	-10	55,046	53,584	-3	11,986	11,915	-1
Motor Vehicle Theft	22,030	11,971	-46	4,732	2,909	-39	916	621	-32
Total Crime Index	138,655	115,376	-17	78,039	75,051	-4	17,574	17,414	-1
Violent Crime	23,844	20,226	-15	5,647	5,567	-1	1,413	1,315	-7
Nonviolent Crime	114,811	95,150	-17	72,392	69,484	-4	16,161	16,099	*

*Less than one-half of one percent.

The character of some municipalities has changed due to the updating of Urban, Suburban and Rural classifications.

- Comparing 2009 to 2005, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in Index offenses, a decrease of 17 percent.
- Index crimes in Suburban communities decreased 4 percent, while Rural communities decreased 1 percent.
- Comparing 2009 to 2005, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in violent crimes, a decrease of 15 percent.
- Suburban communities experienced a 4 percent decrease in violent crimes, and Urban communities experienced a 1 percent decrease.
- Comparing 2009 to 2005, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in nonviolent crimes, a decrease of 17 percent.

URBAN NUMBER - RATE - DISTRIBUTION 2008/2009

Municipalities: 155

Population: 3,773,236

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change
Murder	314	264	-16	0.08	0.07	-13	83.5	82.5	-1
Rape	618	635	3	0.16	0.17	6	56.7	61.0	8
Robbery	10,404	9,425	-9	2.75	2.50	-9	82.0	81.0	-1
Aggravated Assault	9,712	9,902	2	2.57	2.62	2	68.8	70.2	2
Burglary	22,647	20,374	-10	5.99	5.40	-10	56.4	55.2	-2
Larceny - Theft	68,395	62,805	-8	18.10	16.64	-8	49.3	49.0	-1
Motor Vehicle Theft	15,554	11,971	-23	4.12	3.17	-23	77.3	77.2	*
Total Crime Index	127,644	115,376	-10	33.77	30.58	-9	56.2	55.5	-1
Violent Crime	21,048	20,226	-4	5.57	5.36	-4	74.4	74.6	*
Nonviolent Crime	106,596	95,150	-11	28.20	25.22	-11	53.6	52.6	-2

* Less than one-half of one percent.

- There were 115,376 offenses reported in municipalities of Urban character during 2009, this represents a decrease of 10 percent compared to 2008.
- Fifty-six percent of all Index crimes occurred in Urban areas.
- Violent crime in Urban communities decreased 4 percent and accounted for 75 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Urban communities decreased 11 percent and accounted for 53 percent of the state's total nonviolent crime.
- The crime rate in Urban communities decreased 9 percent to 30.6 victims for every 1,000 persons.

SUBURBAN NUMBER - RATE - DISTRIBUTION 2008/2009

Municipalities: 254

Population: 3,873,996

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change
Murder	43	37	-14	0.01	0.01	0	11.4	11.6	2
Rape	361	316	-12	0.09	0.08	-11	33.1	30.4	-8
Robbery	1,955	1,935	-1	0.50	0.50	0	15.4	16.6	8
Aggravated Assault	3,339	3,279	-2	0.86	0.85	-1	23.6	23.2	-2
Burglary	13,533	12,991	-4	3.49	3.35	-4	33.7	35.2	4
Larceny - Theft	56,933	53,584	-6	14.70	13.83	-6	41.1	41.8	2
Motor Vehicle Theft	3,752	2,909	-22	0.97	0.75	-23	18.6	18.8	1
Total Crime Index	79,916	75,051	-6	20.63	19.37	-6	35.2	36.1	3
Violent Crime	5,698	5,567	-2	1.47	1.44	-2	20.1	20.5	2
Nonviolent Crime	74,218	69,484	-6	19.16	17.94	-6	37.3	38.4	3

& Crime Rate ratio percent not calculated due to small volume and rounding issues.

- There were 75,051 offenses reported in municipalities of Suburban character during 2009, this represents a decrease of 6 percent compared to 2008.
- Thirty-six percent of all Index crimes occurred in Suburban areas.
- Violent crime in Suburban communities decreased 2 percent and accounted for 21 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Suburban communities decreased 6 percent and accounted for 38 percent of the state's total nonviolent crime.
- The crime rate in Suburban communities decreased 6 percent to 19.4 victims for every 1,000 persons.

RURAL NUMBER - RATE - DISTRIBUTION 2008/2009

Municipalities: 157

Population: 1,035,429

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change
Murder	19	19	0	0.02	0.02	0	5.1	5.9	16
Rape	111	90	-19	0.11	0.09	-18	10.2	8.6	-16
Robbery	335	277	-17	0.32	0.27	-16	2.6	2.4	-8
Aggravated Assault	1,070	929	-13	1.04	0.90	-13	7.6	6.6	-13
Burglary	3,952	3,563	-10	3.83	3.44	-10	9.8	9.6	-2
Larceny - Theft	13,316	11,915	-11	12.89	11.51	-11	9.6	9.3	-3
Motor Vehicle Theft	814	621	-24	0.79	0.60	-24	4.0	4.0	0
Total Crime Index	19,617	17,414	-11	18.99	16.82	-11	8.6	8.4	-2
Violent Crime	1,535	1,315	-14	1.49	1.27	-15	5.4	4.9	-9
Nonviolent Crime	18,082	16,099	-11	17.50	15.55	-11	9.1	8.9	-2

& Crime Rate ratio percent not calculated due to small volume and rounding issues.

* Less than one-half of one percent.

- There were 17,414 offenses reported in municipalities of Rural character during 2009, this represents a decrease of 11 percent compared to 2008.
- Eight percent of all Index crimes occurred in Rural areas.
- Violent crime in Rural communities decreased 14 percent and accounted for 5 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Rural communities decreased 11 percent and accounted for 9 percent of the state's total nonviolent crime.
- The crime rate in Rural communities decreased 11 percent to 16.8 victims for every 1,000 persons.

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE OFFENSE DATA - 2009

(All offenses are Recorded in the Municipality of Occurrence)

UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE	Total Crime Index	Violent Crime	Non-Violent Crime	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggra-vated assault	Burglary	Larceny-Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson *
BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	42	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0
ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE	69	1	68	0	0	1	0	0	66	2	0
Newark City	69	1	68	-	-	1	-	-	66	2	-
West Caldwell Boro	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
KEAN UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY	152	1	151	0	0	1	0	68	82	1	1
Elizabeth City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillside Twp.	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Union Twp.	152	1	151	-	-	1	-	68	82	1	1
MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE	50	0	50	0	0	0	0	1	49	0	2
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY	69	0	69	0	0	0	0	10	55	4	0
Long Branch City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ocean Twp.	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Long Branch Boro	69	0	69	-	-	-	-	10	55	4	-
MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY	244	9	235	0	2	1	6	13	222	0	0
Clifton City	15	1	14	-	-	1	-	2	12	-	-
Little Falls Twp.	205	7	198	-	2	-	5	10	188	-	-
Montclair Town	24	1	23	-	-	-	1	1	22	-	-
NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	160	14	146	0	1	11	2	5	130	11	0
RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NJ	102	3	99	0	0	0	3	12	87	0	0
ROWAN UNIVERSITY	125	3	122	0	0	1	2	10	110	2	0
Glassboro Boro	123	3	120	-	-	1	2	10	109	1	-
Harrison Twp.	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Mantua Twp.	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	754	29	725	0	3	10	16	77	627	21	3
Camden Campus	122	5	117	-	-	1	4	12	104	1	2
New Brunswick Campus	500	17	483	-	2	3	12	60	414	9	-
East Brunswick Twp.	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edison Twp.	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Highland Park Boro	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick City	307	13	294	-	1	3	9	26	264	4	-
North Brunswick Twp.	13	2	11	-	1	-	1	2	8	1	-
Piscataway Twp.	180	2	178	-	-	-	2	32	142	4	-
Newark Campus	132	7	125	-	1	6	-	5	109	11	1
STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	21	1	20	0	0	0	1	0	20	0	0
THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY	77	0	77	0	0	0	0	5	69	3	0
UNIV. OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY	269	22	247	0	0	13	9	6	232	9	0
Camden Campus	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
New Brunswick Campus	50	2	48	-	-	2	-	-	48	-	-
Newark Campus	200	20	180	-	-	11	9	5	167	8	-
Piscataway Campus	17	0	17	-	-	-	-	1	15	1	-
WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY	83	0	83	0	0	0	0	11	68	4	0
Haledon Boro	4	0	4	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-
North Haledon Boro	7	0	7	-	-	-	-	2	5	-	-
Wayne Twp.	72	0	72	-	-	-	-	9	60	3	-
TOTAL UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE	2,217	83	2,134	0	6	38	39	218	1,859	57	6

* Arson is not tabulated into the crime index offense total.