# Crime in Delaware 2008 - 2012

# An Analysis of Serious Crime in Delaware

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This report is dedicated to all Delawareans whose lives have been touched by crime and to the brave men and women of Delaware's law enforcement community who serve the people of this state at the risk of making the supreme sacrifice.

# **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

Adult	A person 18 years of age or older.
Arrest	A person physically apprehended, cited or served with a summons related to a reportable offense.
Arrest Rate	The number of arrests reported per 1,000 people. $\frac{arrests}{population} X$ 1,000
Clearance	For crime reporting and analysis purposes, an offense is considered 'cleared' or solved when a suspect is either arrested and subsequently referred for prosecution or cannot be arrested but is otherwise clearly identifiable. This term is more fully explained in the body and the appendix of this report.
Crime Incident	One or more crimes/offenses committed by the same offender, or group of offenders at the same time and place. A Crime Incident may involve more than one reported offense.
Crime Rate	The number of crimes/offenses per 1,000 people. $\frac{offenses}{population}X$ 1,000
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use.
Ethnic origin, regardless of race, identified as either Hispanic/Latino Hispanic/Latino.	
Group A Offenses	22 serious crimes ranging from arson through assault, burglary, vandalism, drug offenses, fraud, homicide and forcible sex offenses. Group A detailed information is based on each charge in a crime incident.
Group B Offenses	11 offenses ranging from Bad Checks, to non-violent family offenses. Group B offenses only have arrestee data recorded in NIBRS.
Juvenile	A person under 18 years of age.
Offenses Received (Charges)	Crimes/offenses reported to or otherwise known to police. Each charge in a crime incident is counted.
Property Offenses	Property Offenses are crimes based on the main criminal objective to obtain money, property, or some other benefit.
Social Offenses	Social Offenses represent certain types of criminal activity prohibited by our society (e.g., gambling, prostitution-related offenses).
Type of Crime	The specific category to which a crime/offense belongs. For <i>Crime in Delaware</i> , these categories are Violent Offenses, Serious Property Offenses, Drug/Narcotic Offenses, and Other Property and Social Offenses.
Violent Offenses	Violent Offenses are defined as those crimes which involve force or threat of force. They are: Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter, Kidnapping, Forcible Sex Offenses, Robbery, and Assault.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Crime in Delaware* is the official report of serious crime known to Delaware law enforcement agencies. This report provides information about 22 Violent, Serious Property, Drug/Narcotic and Other Property and Social offenses reported in Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) operated by the State Bureau of Investigation of the Delaware State Police. Final data for the years 2008 through 2011 and preliminary data for 2012 are included in this report.

The report includes a summary of data on serious offenses, clearances, adult and juvenile arrests, and crimes against law enforcement officers at the state and county levels, followed by a detailed data section organized by state and county.

A more detailed summary is available in *Crime in Delaware 2008-2012 Executive Brief*, which is available at the Statistical Analysis Center's website:

http://cjc.delaware.gov/sac/publications/crime.shtml

#### **Key Findings/Trends**

**Overall, the occurrence of serious crime has decreased notably since 2008**. The number of serious criminal offenses known to police in 2008 was 103,274 compared with 95,872 in 2011, a decrease of 7.2%. Preliminary data for 2012 suggest that pattern is continuing, with the number of offenses at just over 93,000, a decline of about 8% compared to 2008.

*Violent crime in the State decreased more than 8% from 2008 to 2012*. This decrease reflects a steady decline in reported Violent Offenses over the past five years.

*The number of Homicides in 2012 (59) was comparable to 2008 (58)*, but markedly higher than 2009, 2010, and 2011 (43, 49, and 51 respectively).

*Serious Property crime changed little between 2008 and 2012,* although motor vehicle-related theft offenses decreased around 40% while Burglary and Shoplifting offenses increased by about 9% and more than 30% respectively.

#### Drug/Narcotic Offenses decreased about 7% between 2008 and 2012.

*Other Property and Social Offenses decrease around 15% between 2008 and 2012*. There has been a steady decline in this offense category over the past five years.

# Three of the most frequently reported crimes – Assault offenses; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; and Drug/Narcotic offenses – showed distinct downward trends from 2008 to 2012.

Based on 2012 preliminary data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared by law enforcement officers at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2008 through 2011. Overall, 51.3% of offenses in 2012 were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

#### Violent crime against law enforcement officers decreased by about one-third between 2008 and 2012. No officers were killed in 2012, but 15% of the 425 assault related offenses

*and 2012*. No officers were killed in 2012, but 15% of the 435 assault-related offenses committed against officers resulted in injuries.

# INTRODUCTION

*Crime in Delaware* is the official report of serious crime reported to Delaware Law Enforcement Agencies. This report covers data on serious crimes that were reported to Delaware's state, county, and local police agencies for the years 2008 through 2012.

The report is divided into the following sections:

- A summary of serious crime data at the state and county levels;
- A detailed data section with information about serious offenses, clearances rates, arrests, law enforcement agency staffing, and violent crimes committed against law enforcement officers.
- A set of tables for select serious crimes for 2011 and 2012 broken out by jurisdiction.
- A Technical Appendix with more detailed discussions of the statistical refinements made for *Crime in Delaware 2008-2012* and of clearance rates, along with a glossary of crime definitions and National Criminal Information Center (NCIC) crime codes.

*Crime in Delaware 2008-2012* reflects a number of enhancements intended to make information in the report easier to find, understand, and use. The report also reflects some changes in the statistical methodology which are outlined in the 'Statistical Refinements' section on page 3.

*Crime in Delaware* provides data about the 22 Group A Offenses reported in Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). These offenses include Drug/Narcotic Offenses and 21 other specific crimes/crime categories listed below:

<u>Violent Offenses</u> Homicide Kidnapping	Forcible Sex Offenses Robbery	Assault
<u>Serious Property Offenses</u> Arson	Burglary	Motor Vehicle Theft
Extortion/Blackmail	Larceny/Theft	
Other Property and Social Off Counterfeiting/Forgery	<u>enses</u> Destruction, Damage, Vandalism of Property	Prostitution
Fraud	Non-forcible Sex Offenses	Bribery
Embezzlement	Pornography/Obscene Material	Weapon Law Violations
Stolen Property	Gambling	

# METHODOLOGY

### Data Sources

Data for this report were drawn from two sources:

- The State Bureau of Identification (SBI) of the Delaware State Police, which maintains Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (which, for simplicity, is referred to as 'NIBRS' in the data section of this report), from which offense, clearance, arrest, and crimes against law enforcement officers statistics are derived. SBI is also the source of law enforcement agency staffing numbers.
- The Delaware Population Consortium, from which state and county population figures are drawn.

Preliminary Delaware NIBRS data reports for 2012 were downloaded from the Delaware Department of Technology and Information secure document library on March 26, 2013. In accordance with the statistical refinements discussed below, final data reports for the years 2008 through 2011 were downloaded on May 8, 2013.

### Preparing the Data for Inclusion in Crime in Delaware

Checking Data Quality

NIBRS data are not automatically drawn from criminal incident reports filed by participating law enforcement agencies. Because each state has its own set of criminal statutes, offense names and definitions vary from state to state. To allow data from states to be examined at a national level, each jurisdiction participating in NIBRS must assign each offense a common NIBRS code before entering and submitting data to the system. This extra set of steps introduces opportunities for data errors and requires a process for checking data quality.

Having crime data that is reasonably accurate and complete is essential for producing the *Crime in Delaware* report. To ensure that the data were sufficient for use is this report, validation checks were conducted to identify any issues of concern related to data completeness and accuracy. Since the State Bureau of Identification conducts extensive data quality and review control procedures (as do the Dover, New Castle County, and Wilmington Police Departments) prior to submitting NIBRS data to the FBI, it only is necessary for the Delaware Statistical Analysis Center to perform a more limited set of validation checks.

Validation checks conducted for the 2012 preliminary data reports indicated these data were of sufficient quality and completeness for use in the *Crime in Delaware* report. A comparison of the 2008-2011 data reports re-run in May with those same reports run in prior years revealed no problems in the reports that were re-run.

#### Preparing and Transforming Data

Single year NIBRS data reports prepared by SBI are not in a production-ready/user-friendly format, nor do they contain the various statistics (differences, crime rates, percentages) that *Crime in Delaware* includes. These data reports, downloaded as text files, were imported to Microsoft Excel before undergoing a cleaning and transformation process so that the data could be merged across years and examined at the state and county levels using appropriate computations and calculations.

## **Statistical Refinements**

*Crime in Delaware* has undergone statistical refinements from time to time for a variety of reasons, including to account for changes in the data that are available for use in the report, to reflect changes in the way crime data are reported by other entities, and as a result of periodic reflection to enhance the usefulness and value of the report. In 2013, *Crime in Delaware* entered a period of transition. The Delaware Statistical Analysis Center elected to use that transition as a natural opportunity to reflect on how *Crime and Delaware* might be improved.

This process of reflection resulted in the following statistical refinements for this report (these are discussed more fully in the *Statistical Refinements for Crime in Delaware 2008-2012* section, which can be found in the Technical Appendix of this report):

- Standardizing the reference periods for prior years. The nature of policing, crime reporting, and the NIBRS data reporting process is such that crime data for a given year are rarely ever complete or 'final' (meaning that law enforcement agencies no longer make any additions to or deletions from their data). To strike a balance between making efficient use of personnel resources and reporting data that are reasonably complete (i.e., the data are expected to change little), a decision was made to consider Delaware NIBRS data for a given year to be final for Crime in Delaware reporting purposes when the data were judged to be sufficiently stable (usually 12 to 15 months after the end of the reporting year). Therefore, final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.
- The way change over time is examined and reported has changed. The timing of the Crime in Delaware reports (mid-year) creates a challenge when exploring change in NIBRS crime data over time. While final data are available for previous years, only preliminary data are available for the current year. Comparing final data with preliminary data is problematic, as doing so can produce a distorted picture of change, making differences appear smaller or larger than they otherwise are. The following reflect the changes made to accommodate this distortion:
  - As appropriate, in calculating differences, final data are compared only with final data and preliminary data for 2012 are only compared with preliminary data (defined as data available three to five months after a reporting year ends) from prior years.

 To illustrate general trends in the crime data over time, graphs that present final data from prior years and preliminary data from 2012 are included. These graphs provide a simple look at crime trends while minimizing the potential effects of distortion that would be present in statistical calculations.

## **Notes and Important Considerations**

Data in this report reflect only the serious crimes known to police (i.e., have been reported to the police or that police have observed). Some serious crime incidents are never reported or detected. Other serious crime incidents may only be reported or detected months or years after they occurred. The numbers in this report should, therefore, be considered as a floor estimate – that is, there was at least as much serious crime as noted in this report, likely more. Minor offenses, for which NIBRS only contains arrest data, are not included in this report.

**Caution should be used in drawing conclusions** about changes in the occurrence of serious crime based on the data in this report. The following considerations should be kept in mind:

- NIBRS data reflect the number of offenses/charges rather than unique criminal incidents. A single criminal incident can result in a single charge filed by police or multiple charges depending on what criminal behaviors occur during the incident and the characteristics of the incident itself (e.g., the number of victims and alleged offenders).
- **Be careful when comparing 2012 crime data to final crime data from prior years.** For the reasons discussed earlier, 2012 crime data will not become sufficiently stable until early 2014. As a result, conclusions drawn about crime differences of 4% or less may no longer be valid once the 2012 data are final.
- Crime Rate figures (i.e., the number of crimes per 1,000 people) are best viewed in the context of other crime data. The Crime Rate reflects not just the change in the number of offenses known to law enforcement officers but the change in the population as well. Even if the number of offenses has not changed from one year to the next, changes in population will make it appear that crime has decreased (in the event of a population increase) or that it has increased (if the population decreases). The Crime Rate, when used by itself, can create a distorted picture of crime.
- Use caution in comparing jurisdictions, counties, and states. Differences in community socioeconomic factors, population trends, and how law enforcement agencies operate (in charging practices when an arrest is made; in interpreting crime definitions; in enforcement priorities, etc.) can vary greatly among communities, all of which create challenges in making accurate and valid comparisons. Also, participation in NIBRS is voluntary and not all states choose to participate; even among many states that do, not

all jurisdictions elect to take part. Where crime data for a state are not complete, the FBI must create estimates to account for those data gaps.

The FBI says it best in the introductory note to its *Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report, January-December, 2012*<sup>1</sup>:

"Individuals ... are cautioned against drawing conclusions by making direct comparisons between cities. Comparisons lead to simplistic and/or incomplete analyses that often create misleading perceptions adversely affecting communities and their residents. Valid assessments are possible only with careful study and analysis of the range of unique conditions affecting each local law enforcement jurisdiction. It is important to remember that crime is a social problem and, therefore, a concern of the entire community. The efforts of law enforcement are limited to factors within its control. The data user is, therefore, cautioned against comparing statistical data of individual agencies."

#### A Note About Clearances/Clearance Rates

In crime analysis, the federal definition of *clearance rate* is the percentage of offenses received that are 'solved' through an arrest or by exceptional means. An offense is 'cleared by arrest' for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of the offense, and turned over to the court for prosecution.

In certain situations, an offender is known but is not or cannot be arrested and formally charged. When this happens, the offense can be cleared by *exceptional means*. Such situations include, but are not limited to, offender death or confession; an offender who cannot be extradited from another jurisdiction; refusal of a victim to cooperate in a prosecution; handling a juvenile offender through an alternative police policy.

It is important to keep in mind that the arrest or identification of one offender may clear multiple offenses. Alternatively, multiple arrests may clear only a single offense.

A more detailed explanation of clearances and clearance rates can be found in the Technical Appendix at the end of this report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available at: http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/crime-in-the-u.s/2012/preliminary-annualuniform-crime-report-january-december-2012

## **SERIOUS CRIME AT-A-GLANCE**

This section of the report provides summary-level data about serious crime in Delaware and in the state's three counties for the years 2008 to 2012. Included in this section are data about the total number of serious offenses and the four major categories of crime: Violent Offenses, Serious Property Offenses, Drug Offenses, and Other Property and Social Offenses.

The specific topics addressed in this section are as follows:

- offenses received by law enforcement agencies;
- offense clearances;
- crime rates;
- differences in the number of offenses received between years;
- total arrests and arrests of adults and juveniles; and
- assaults against law enforcement officers.

All state-level summary data, organized by the topics above, are presented first. All summary data, again organized by topic, are then presented for each county. More detailed data about offenses and clearances, arrests, and assaults against law enforcement officers can be found in the '...Detailed Look at Serious Crime...' section beginning on page 30.

#### Note to the reader

Data for a calendar year are not considered final for the purposes of the *Crime in Delaware* report until offense counts become sufficiently stable, usually 12-15 months after the end of that year. Therefore, final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

In calculating differences between 2012 and previous years, preliminary data were used for all years (although preliminary figures for 2008-2011 are not provided in this report). Doing so removes the distortion inherent when computing statistical differences using preliminary and final data. Such distortion can make such differences appear larger or smaller than they actually are. Final data are used for comparisons between the years 2008 through 2011. *However, graphic figures that plot final and preliminary counts are include as appropriate to illustrate trends in the data. Visual portrayals of this type of data are useful and are much less susceptible to distortion than statistical differences.* 

As noted earlier in this report, please use caution when comparing Delaware's data to national data or those for other states. Crime data, particularly crime rates, are best understood in the context of other data.

## Delaware Serious Crime at-a-Glance 2008 – 2012

Overall, there were about 10,000 fewer reported serious Group A offenses in 2012 compared to 2008, a decline of about 8% (see Table 1 and Figure 1). Three of the four crime categories were notably lower compared to 2008, with the greatest declines for Violent Offenses (around 9%) and Other Property and Social Offenses (around 15%). Final differences between 2008 and 2011 for Delaware and its three counties are presented in Figure 2.

Serious Property Offenses was the most frequently reported category of crime in 2012 (34.6%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (29.2%), Violent Offenses, (25.6%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (10.6%). These proportions are similar to those from 2008.

The most frequently reported offense were Assault; Larceny; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Drug/Narcotic; Burglary; and Fraud. Assault, Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism, and Drug/Narcotic offenses showed distinct downward trends from 2008 to 2012 (see Figure 3). The number of Burglary offenses trended upward, while Larceny and Fraud occurred at rates similar to 2008.

Based on 2012 preliminary data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2008 through 2011 (see Table 1 and Figure 4). Offenses in the Drug/Narcotic and Violent offense categories continue to be cleared at high rates (95.8% and 77.6% respectively). Overall, just over half of the offenses committed in 2012 were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

In general the number of all arrests followed the downward trend seen in offenses (see Table 2 and Figure 4). The exception was for Serious Property Offenses, which showed nearly an 18% increase in arrests from 2008 to 2012 while offenses decreased less than 2%. Juvenile arrests showed a sharp downward trend across all four crime categories during this period (a 33% decrease overall). The number of total adult arrests was virtually unchanged, with much variation across the four crime categories.

Preliminary 2012 data indicate that there were substantially fewer violent offenses against law enforcement officers compared to the 2008 through 2011 period (see Table 3). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2012 and there were 435 violent offenses against officers, a decrease of 35% compared to 2008 and almost 16% compared to 2011. Nearly all violent offenses against law enforcement officers were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

Serious Offenses Received 2008 – 2012 <sup>1</sup>							
		Final C	Preliminary Count				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Violent Offenses	26,800	25,588	24,907	24,312	23,910		
Percent Cleared	74.5%	76.1%	74.2%	72.9%	77.6%		
Serious Property Offenses	32,946	31,479	33 <i>,</i> 036	32,823	32,234		
Percent Cleared	24.7%	27.4%	24.7%	27.3%	28.7%		
Drug Offenses	10,760	10,403	9,749	9,967	9,840		
Percent Cleared	95.5%	95.8%	96.2%	95.1%	95.8%		
Other Property, Social Offenses	32,768	30,589	29,232	28,770	27,238		
Percent Cleared	38.0%	37.3%	35.6%	37.4%	38.9%		
Total Offenses Received	103,274	98,059	96,924	95,872	93,222		
Percent Cleared	49.2%	50.5%	47.9%	48.9%	51.3%		

Table 1: Delaware Statewide Serious Crime Summary 2008 – 2012

Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People						
Delaware Population	875,301	885,024	897,934	904,436	919,962	
		Final	Preliminary Rate			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Violent Offenses	30.6	28.9	27.8	26.9	26.0	
Serious Property Offenses	37.6	35.6	36.9	36.3	35.0	
Drug Offenses	12.3	11.8	10.9	11.0	10.7	
Other Property and Social Offenses	37.4	34.6	32.7	31.8	29.6	
Total Offenses Received	118.0	110.8	108.3	106.0	101.3	

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received									
	Final Differences			Preliminary Differences <sup>2</sup>					
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12			
Violent Offenses	-4.52%	-2.66%	-2.39%	-1.15%	-9.12%	-4.89%			
Serious Property Offenses	-4.45%	4.95%	-0.64%	-1.77%	-1.43%	-0.66%			
Drug Offenses	-3.32%	-6.29%	2.24%	-0.52%	-7.10%	-2.87%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	-6.65%	-4.44%	-1.58%	-4.39%	-15.49%	-9.20%			
Total Offenses Received	-5.05%	-1.16%	-1.09%	-2.26%	-8.46%	-4.60%			

<sup>1</sup> Final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary data were used when making comparisons with 2012. For the other 3 sets of comparisons (2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11) final data were used.

Table 2: Statewide Arrests for Serious Offenses									
Statewide Arrests for Serious Offenses									
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary				
					Counts				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Total Arrests	31,517	31,120	29,032	29,389	29,753				
Violent Offenses	12,279	12,067	11,127	10,971	10,970				
Serious Property Offenses	6,918	7,555	7,320	7,799	8,085				
Drug Offenses	6,905	6,640	6,208	6,139	6,396				
Other Property and Social Offenses	5,415	4,858	4,377	4,480	4,302				
Total Adult Arrests	25,982	26,013	24,795	25,344	26,068				
Violent Offenses	9,979	10,017	9,452	9,226	9,391				
Serious Property Offenses	5,260	5 <i>,</i> 889	5,934	6,535	6,935				
Drug Offenses	6,143	5,921	5 <i>,</i> 575	5,581	5,842				
Other Property and Social Offenses	4,600	4,186	3,834	4,002	3,900				
Total Juvenile Arrests	5,535	5,107	4,237	4,045	3,685				
Violent Offenses	2,300	2,050	1,675	1,745	1,579				
Serious Property Offenses	1,658	1,666	1,386	1,264	1,150				
Drug Offenses	762	719	633	558	554				
Other Property and Social Offenses	815	672	543	478	402				

Table 2: Statewide Arrests for Serious Offenses



Figure 1: Serious Crime in Delaware by Category 2008-12



Figure 2: Final Differences in Serious Criminal Offenses, by State and County, 2008-12



Figure 3: Most Common Serious Crimes in Delaware 2008-2012



Figure 4: All Delaware Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Violent Offenses Against Law Enforcement Officers - 2008-2012								
		Fina		Preliminary				
				Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Officers Assaulted	670	504	529	517	435			
Officers Killed	0	1	0	1	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	2	0	5	6	2			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	19.6%	17.3%	15.5%	14.7%	15.4%			
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	97.0%	96.2%	95.8%	96.3%	97.0%			

Table 3: Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012

## New Castle County Serious Crime At-a-Glance 2008 – 2012

Overall, there were also about 10,000 fewer reported serious Group A offenses in New Castle County in 2012 compared to 2008, a decline of about 14% (see Table 4 and Figure 5). All four crime categories were notably lower compared to 2008, with the greatest declines for Other Property and Social Offenses (around 21%), Violent Offenses, and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (both around 13%).

Serious Property Offenses was the most frequently reported category of crime in the county in 2012 (35.4%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (29.6%), Violent Offenses, (25.5%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (9.5%). These proportions are similar to those from 2008.

The most frequently reported offenses in the county were Larceny; Assault; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Drug/Narcotic; Burglary; and Fraud. Larceny, Assault, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, and Drug/Narcotic offenses showed distinct downward trends from 2008 to 2012 (see Figure 6). The number of Burglary offenses trended upward, while Fraud offenses occurred at rates similar to 2008.

Based on 2012 preliminary data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2008 through 2011 (see Table 4 and Figure 7). Offenses in the Drug/Narcotic and Violent offense categories continue to be cleared at high rates (95.6% and 71.7% respectively). Overall, 46% of all offenses committed in 2012 were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

In general the number of all arrests in the county followed the downward trend seen in offenses (see Table 5 and Figure 7). The exception was for Serious Property Offenses, which showed a 7% increase in arrests from 2008 to 2012 while offenses decreased about 7%. Juvenile arrests showed a sharp downward trend across all four crime categories during this period (a 33% decrease overall). The number of total adult arrests decreased about 5%, with much variation across the four crime categories.

Preliminary 2012 data indicate that there were fewer violent offenses against law enforcement officers in the county compared to three of the four prior years (see Table 6). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2012 and there were 254 violent offenses against officers, a decrease of about 36% compared to 2008 and about 5% compared to 2011. Nearly all violent offenses against law enforcement officers in the county were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

Serious Offenses Received 2008 – 2012 <sup>1</sup>									
		Final C	Counts		<b>Preliminary Count</b>				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Violent Offenses	16,150	14,586	14,671	13,650	13,600				
Percent Cleared	68.5%	69.2%	67.6%	62.5%	71.7%				
Serious Property Offenses	20,644	18,835	19,806	18,746	18,888				
Percent Cleared	20.4%	23.9%	21.4%	22.9%	24.2%				
Drug Offenses	6,009	5,604	5 <i>,</i> 458	5,327	5,069				
Percent Cleared	95.8%	96.1%	95.9%	94.9%	95.6%				
Other Property, Social Offenses	20,565	18,567	17,734	16,222	15,754				
Percent Cleared	33.5%	33.4%	32.0%	32.1%	34.0%				
Total Offenses Received	63,368	57,592	57,669	53,945	53,311				
Percent Cleared	44.1%	45.5%	43.5%	42.8%	46.0%				

#### Table 4: New Castle County Serious Crime Summary 2008 – 2012

Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
New Castle County Population	535,007	547,059						
		Final Rates						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Violent Offenses	30.2	27.1	27.0	25.0	24.9			
Serious Property Offenses	38.6	34.9	36.5	34.3	34.5			
Drug Offenses	11.2	10.4	10.1	9.7	9.3			
Other Property, Social Offenses	38.4	34.5	32.7	29.7	28.8			
Total Offenses Received	118.4	106.9	106.2	98.7	97.5			

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received									
	Fina	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences <sup>2</sup>					
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12			
Violent Offenses	-9.68%	0.58%	-6.96%	0.29%	-13.50%	-6.67%			
Serious Property Offenses	-8.76%	5.16%	-5.35%	0.75%	-7.62%	-2.75%			
Drug Offenses	-6.74%	-2.61%	-2.40%	-3.72%	-13.81%	-8.34%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	-9.72%	-4.49%	-8.53%	-1.54%	-21.79%	-12.66%			
Total Offenses Received	-9.12%	0.13%	-6.46%	-0.49%	-14.28%	-7.38%			

<sup>1</sup> Final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary data were used when making comparisons with 2012. For the other 3 sets of comparisons (2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11) final data were used.

New Castle County Arrests for Serious Offenses							
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary Counts		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Total Arrests	18,303	17,646	16,649	15,845	16,397		
Violent Offenses	7,329	6,951	6,659	6,101	6,596		
Serious Property Offenses	3,672	3,954	3,833	3,764	3,933		
Drug Offenses	4,167	3,933	3,692	3,593	3,588		
Other Property and Social Offenses	3,135	2,808	2,465	2,387	2,280		
Total Adult Arrests	15,188	14,891	14,283	13,608	14,318		
Violent Offenses	5,949	5,838	5,709	5,107	5,641		
Serious Property Offenses	2,868	3,167	3,099	3,119	3,332		
Drug Offenses	3,723	3,511	3,328	3,281	3,298		
Other Property and Social Offenses	2,648	2,375	2,147	2,101	2,047		
Total Juvenile Arrests	3,115	2,755	2,366	2,237	2,079		
Violent Offenses	1,380	1,113	950	994	955		
Serious Property Offenses	804	787	734	645	601		
Drug Offenses	444	422	364	312	290		
Other Property and Social Offenses	487	433	318	286	233		

#### Table 5: New Castle County Arrests for Serious Offenses 2008 - 2012

Table 6: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County 2008-2012

New Castle County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012								
		Final		Preliminary				
				Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Officers Assaulted	399	239	273	268	254			
Officers Killed	0	0	0	1	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	2	0	4	1	1			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	18.3%	17.6%	19.8%	14.6%	15.4%			
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.0%	95.0%	93.4%	94.4%	96.1%			



Figure 5: Serious Crime in New Castle County by Category 2008-2012





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Figure 7: All New Castle County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

## Kent County Serious Crime At-a-Glance 2008 – 2012

Overall, there were about 300 fewer reported serious Group A offenses in Kent County in 2012 compared to 2008, a decline of about 1% (see Table 7 and Figure 8). Two of the four crime categories - Other Property and Social Offenses and Drug/Narcotic Offenses - were notably lower compared to 2008, with declines of around 10%. Violent Offenses decreased slightly (around 3%), while the number of Serious Property Offenses increased around 14%, offsetting most of the declines in the other three categories.

Serious Property Offenses was the most frequently reported category of crime in Kent County in 2012 (34.8%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (27.9%), Violent Offenses, (25.8%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (11.5%). In general, these proportions are similar to those from 2008, although in that year, Other Property and Social Offenses was the most frequently reported category (31.0%) followed by Serious Property Offenses (29.8%).

The most frequently reported offenses in the county were Larceny; Assault; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Drug/Narcotic; Fraud; and Burglary. Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism and Drug/Narcotic offenses showed distinct downward trends from 2008 to 2012 (see Figure 9). Assault, Burglary, and Fraud offenses occurred at rates similar to 2008, while the number of Larceny offenses showed a substantial upward trend.

Based on 2012 preliminary data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2008 through 2011 (see Table 7 and Figure 10). Offenses in the Drug and Violent offense categories continue to be cleared at high rates (96.6% and 84.8% respectively). Overall, nearly 60% of all offenses committed in 2012 had been cleared by the end of the calendar year.

In general, the number of all arrests in the county from 2008 through 2012 followed the same trend seen in offenses (see Table 8 and Figure 10). The magnitude of the change in arrests for the four crime categories was different, however, than that for the change in offenses. Arrests for Violent, Drug, and Other Property and Social Offenses showed larger decreases (around 12%, 7% and 13% respectively). Arrests for Serious Property Offenses, however, increased at nearly 2.5 times the rate this category of offenses did (around 35% compared with around 15%). Juvenile arrests from 2008 to 2012 showed a sharp downward trend during this period (a 29% decrease overall). The number of total adult arrests increased around 7% overall. Adult arrests for Serious Property offenses increased by more than 50%, while the number of arrests for the other three categories decreased between 4% and 8%.

Preliminary 2012 data indicate that there were fewer violent offenses against law enforcement officers in the county compared to the four prior years (see Table 9). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2012 and there were 96 violent offenses against officers, a decrease of about 17% compared to 2008 and about 30% compared to 2011. Nearly all violent offenses against law enforcement officers in Kent County were cleared by the end of the calendar year.

Serious Offenses Received 2008 – 2012 <sup>1</sup>									
		Final C	ounts		<b>Preliminary Count</b>				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Violent Offenses	5,087	5,123	4,740	5,269	4,891				
Percent Cleared	84.2%	86.0%	84.1%	86.1%	84.8%				
Serious Property Offenses	5,750	6,094	6,046	6,425	6,584				
Percent Cleared	35.8%	37.2%	33.6%	36.0%	38.2%				
Drug Offenses	2,466	2,352	2,048	2,197	2,175				
Percent Cleared	95.3%	95.4%	96.8%	96.1%	96.6%				
Other Property, Social Offenses	5,966	5,641	5,303	5,749	5,293				
Percent Cleared	47.8%	44.7%	43.7%	47.9%	47.9%				
Total Offenses Received	19,269	19,210	18,137	19,640	18,943				
Percent Cleared	59.9%	59.5%	56.9%	59.7%	59.7%				

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Table 7: Kent County Serious Crin	ne Summary 2008 – 2012

Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
Kent County Population	152,980	155,231	157,503	159,795	167,103			
		Preliminary Rate						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Violent Offenses	33.3	33.0	30.1	33.0	29.3			
Serious Property Offenses	37.6	39.3	38.4	40.2	39.4			
Drug Offenses	16.1	15.2	13.0	13.7	13.0			
Other Property, Social Offenses	39.0	36.3	33.7	36.0	31.7			
Total Offenses Received	126.0	123.8	115.2	122.9	113.4			

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received									
	Fina	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences <sup>2</sup>					
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12			
Violent Offenses	0.71%	-7.48%	11.16%	-7.02%	-3.64%	-3.01%			
Serious Property Offenses	5.98%	-0.79%	6.27%	2.47%	14.66%	8.49%			
Drug Offenses	-4.62%	-12.93%	7.28%	-0.78%	-11.15%	-3.78%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	-5.45%	-5.99%	8.41%	-7.66%	-10.79%	-6.11%			
Total Offenses Received	-0.31%	-5.59%	8.29%	-3.40%	-1.33%	-0.35%			

<sup>1</sup> Final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary data were used when making comparisons with 2012. For the other 3 sets of comparisons (2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11) final data were used.

Kent County Arrests for Serious Offenses									
		Preliminary Counts							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Total Arrests	6,817	7,006	6,256	6,788	6,900				
Violent Offenses	2,558	2,673	2,265	2,585	2,281				
Serious Property Offenses	1,711	2,056	1,879	2,039	2,313				
Drug Offenses	1,426	1,277	1,144	1,141	1,325				
Other Property and Social Offenses	1,122	1,000	968	1,023	981				
Total Adult Arrests	5,598	5,784	5,221	5,846	6,033				
Violent Offenses	2,083	2,224	1,887	2,165	1,927				
Serious Property Offenses	1,273	1,536	1,491	1,736	1,991				
Drug Offenses	1,297	1,134	1,002	1,023	1,209				
Other Property and Social Offenses	945	890	841	922	906				
Total Juvenile Arrests	1,219	1,222	1,035	942	867				
Violent Offenses	475	449	378	420	354				
Serious Property Offenses	438	520	388	303	322				
Drug Offenses	129	143	142	118	116				
Other Property and Social Offenses	177	110	127	101	75				

#### Table 8: Kent County Arrests for Serious Offenses 2008 - 2012

Table 9: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Kent County 2008-2012

Kent County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012								
		Fina	Preliminary					
			Data					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Officers Assaulted	116	111	147	138	96			
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	1	5	1			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	14.7%	23.4%	8.2%	10.1%	11.5%			
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	98.3%	99.1%	99.3%	100.0%	99.0%			



Figure 8: Serious Crime in Kent County by Category 2008-2012

Figure 9: Most Common Serious Crimes in Kent County 2008-2012





Figure 10: All Kent County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

## Sussex County Serious Crime At-a-Glance 2008 – 2012

Overall, there were about 300 more reported serious Group A offenses in Sussex County in 2012 compared to 2008, an increase of about 2% (see Table 10 and Figure 11). Two of the four crime categories - Violent Offenses and Other Property and Social Offenses - were virtually unchanged compared to 2008. The number of Serious Property Offenses increased slightly (about 3%), while the number of Drug/Narcotic Offenses increased around 14%.

Serious Property Offenses was the most frequently reported category of crime in the county in 2012 (32.2%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (29.5%), Violent Offenses, (25.8%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (12.4%). These proportions are similar to those from 2008.

The most frequently reported offenses in the county were Assault; Larceny; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Drug/Narcotic; Burglary; and Fraud. None of these crimes showed distinct downward trends from 2008 to 2012 (see Figure 12). Destruction/Damage/Vandalism was lower in 2012 as compared to 2008, but all of the decline occurred after 2011. Larceny and Burglary offenses both declined in 2012 following steady increases over the previous four years. The number of Drug/Narcotic and Fraud offenses trended upward from 2008 to 2012, while Assault and Fraud offenses occurred at rates similar to 2008.

Based on 2012 preliminary data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2008 through 2011 (see Table 10 and Figure 13). Drug and Violent Offenses continue to be cleared at high rates (95.5% and 85.9% respectively). Overall, nearly 60% of all offenses committed in 2012 had been cleared by the end of the calendar year.

The number of all arrests increased around 1% from 2008 through 2012. Arrests for Violent Offenses showed a greater decrease (about 12%) than the number of these crimes did (see Table 11). Arrests for Drug Offenses increased at a rate similar to the rate for these offenses, while arrests for Serious Property Offenses increased at about five times the rate of increase for these offenses. Arrests for Other Property and Social Offenses were about 10% lower while the number of these offenses was nearly the same. Juvenile arrests showed a sharp downward trend across all four crime categories during this period (a 38% decrease overall). The number of total adult arrests was up 10%. Arrests for Violent and Other Property and Social Offenses decreased about 6%, while those for Serious Property and Drug Offenses were up about 44% and 18% respectively.

Preliminary 2012 data indicate there were fewer violent offenses against law enforcement officers in the county compared to the four previous years (see Table 12). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2012 and there were 85 violent offenses against officers, a decrease of about 45% compared to 2008 and 23% compared to 2011. Nearly all violent offenses against law enforcement officers in Sussex County were cleared by the end of the calendar year.
Serious Offenses Received 2008 – 2012 <sup>1</sup>									
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary Count				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Violent Offenses	5,563	5,879	5,496	5 <i>,</i> 393	5,419				
Percent Cleared	83.2%	84.5%	83.3%	86.3%	85.9%				
Serious Property Offenses	6,552	6,550	7,184	7,652	6,762				
Percent Cleared	28.5%	28.5%	26.4%	30.6%	32.1%				
Drug Offenses	2,285	2,447	2,243	2,443	2,596				
Percent Cleared	94.8%	95.2%	96.4%	94.6%	95.5%				
Other Property, Social Offenses	6,237	6,381	6,195	6,799	6,191				
Percent Cleared	43.7%	42.1%	38.9%	41.1%	43.5%				
Total Offenses Received	20,637	21,257	21,118	22,287	20,968				
Percent Cleared	55.2%	55.8%	52.3%	54.3%	57.2%				

Table 10: Sussex County Serious Crime Summary 2008 – 2	2012
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Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Sussex County Population	187,314	205,800							
		Preliminary Rate							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Violent Offenses	29.7	30.8	28.3	27.2	26.0				
Serious Property Offenses	35.0	34.3	37.0	38.6	35.0				
Drug Offenses	12.2	12.8	11.5	12.3	10.7				
Other Property, Social Offenses	33.3	33.4	31.9	34.3	29.6				
Total Offenses Received	110.2	111.4	108.6	112.6	101.3				

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received								
	Final Differences			Preliminary Differences <sup>2</sup>				
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12		
Violent Offenses	5.68%	-6.51%	-1.87%	0.93%	-1.67%	-1.93%		
Serious Property Offenses	-0.03%	9.68%	6.51%	-11.50%	3.84%	-2.78%		
Drug Offenses	7.09%	-8.34%	8.92%	6.66%	14.71%	10.95%		
Other Property, Social Offenses	2.31%	-2.91%	9.75%	-8.36%	0.58%	-2.10%		
Total Offenses Received	3.00%	-0.65%	5.54%	-5.55%	2.58%	-0.84%		

<sup>1</sup> Final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary data were used when making comparisons with 2012. For the other 3 sets of comparisons (2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11) final data were used.

Sussex County Arrests for Serious Offenses							
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary Counts		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Total Arrests	6,397	6,468	6,127	6,756	6,456		
Violent Offenses	2,392	2,443	2,203	2,285	2,093		
Serious Property Offenses	1,535	1,545	1,608	1,996	1,839		
Drug Offenses	1,312	1,430	1,372	1,405	1,483		
Other Property and Social Offenses	1,158	1,050	944	1,070	1,041		
Total Adult Arrests	5,196	5 <i>,</i> 338	5,291	5,890	5,717		
Violent Offenses	1,947	1,955	1,856	1,954	1,823		
Serious Property Offenses	1,119	1,186	1,344	1,680	1,612		
Drug Offenses	1,123	1,276	1,245	1,277	1,335		
Other Property and Social Offenses	1,007	921	846	979	947		
Total Juvenile Arrests	1,201	1,130	836	866	739		
Violent Offenses	445	488	347	331	270		
Serious Property Offenses	416	359	264	316	227		
Drug Offenses	189	154	127	128	148		
Other Property and Social Offenses	151	129	98	91	94		

#### Table 11: Sussex County Arrests for Serious Offenses 2008 - 2012

 Table 12: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Sussex County 2008-2012

Sussex County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012							
		Final		Preliminary			
					Data		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Officers Assaulted	155	154	109	111	85		
Officers Killed	0	1	0	0	0		
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	0	0	0		
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	26.5%	12.3%	14.7%	20.7%	20.0%		
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.8%	95.5%	97.2%	95.5%	97.6%		



Figure 11: Serious Crime in Sussex County by Category 2008-2012

Figure 12: Most Common Serious Crimes in Sussex County 2008-2012





Figure 13: All Sussex County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

# A DETAILED LOOK AT SERIOUS CRIME IN DELAWARE

The following sections provide more detailed information about serious crime in Delaware. Each section has a single topic focus: one of the four crime categories and violent crimes against law enforcement officers. Within each crime category section, statewide data on offenses, clearances, and arrests are presented first, followed by the same data for each county. The section on crimes against law enforcement officers presents the state and county data relevant to this topic.

#### Notes to the Reader

Data for a calendar year are not considered final for the purposes of the *Crime in Delaware* report until offense counts become sufficiently stable, usually 12-15 months after the end of that year. Therefore, final data are provided for the 2008-2011 period and preliminary data for 2012.

In comparing 2012 with previous years, preliminary data were used for all years (although preliminary figures for 2008-2011 are not provided in this report). Doing so removes the distortion inherent when comparing preliminary and final data. Such distortion can make differences appear larger or smaller than they actually are. Final data are used for comparisons for 2008-2011. Graphic figures that incorporate final and preliminary data are include as appropriate to illustrate trends in the data.

As noted earlier in this report, please use caution when comparing Delaware's data to national data or those for other states. Crime data, particularly crime rates, are best understood in the context of other data.

#### Some important considerations to keep in mind:

- In drawing conclusions about changes between 2012 preliminary data and the final data from prior years, be aware that some crimes (e.g., Fraud, Forgery/Counterfeiting, Arson, Homicide) are more prone to delayed reporting to law enforcement agencies or the filing of charges than other crimes.
- When examining the percentage change in offense data, please use caution in drawing conclusions about those figures without also referring to the offense numbers. Some crimes are reported at such low frequencies (e.g., Homicide, Arson, Extortion, Wire Fraud, Gambling) that the increase or decrease of even one to three cases can translate to a large percentage change that, while seemingly impressive, may not be very meaningful in actuality.

## **Delaware Violent Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Violent Offenses were about 10% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The two most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Assault and Robbery – experienced declines of around 6% and 19% respectively. Of special note:

- Preliminary 2012 data indicate the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter offenses was identical to the total from 2008.
- Robbery and Assault with a Firearm offenses appear to be down 19% and 6% compared to 2008, although both experienced increases of at least 10% compared to 2011.

Most Kidnapping, Assault, and Forcible Sex offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Less than half of Robbery and Homicide offenses were cleared during that period. Except for Homicides, which take longer to be cleared, Violent Offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 13-19 and Figure 14 provide detailed information about Statewide Violent Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



#### Figure 14: Delaware Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Statewide Violent Of	Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012						
		Final F	igures		Preliminary		
					Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
All Violent Offenses	26,800	25,588	24,907	24,312	23,910		
Percent Cleared	74.5%	76.1%	74.2%	72.9%	77.6%		
Criminal Homicide	58	43	49	51	59		
Percent Cleared	46.6%	55.8%	55.1%	58.8%	44.1%		
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	58	40	49	49	58		
Percent Cleared	46.6%	55.0%	55.1%	59.2%	43.1%		
Negligent Manslaughter	0	3	0	2	1		
Percent Cleared	N/A	66.7%	N/A	50.0%	100.0%		
Kidnapping/Abduction	393	421	415	343	337		
Percent Cleared	80.7%	78.9%	81.0%	76.7%	82.5%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	835	816	765	806	808		
Percent Cleared	75.0%	77.1%	71.9%	68.2%	72.5%		
Rape by Force	416	429	358	349	254		
Percent Cleared	78.1%	78.3%	70.4%	63.3%	64.6%		
Rape by Force - Attempted	24	12	19	15	18		
Percent Cleared	62.5%	91.7%	57.9%	66.7%	77.8%		
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	7	16	83		
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	85.7%	81.3%	81.9%		
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	10	47		
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	60.0%	80.9%		
Forcible Fondling	390	373	376	412	400		
Percent Cleared	72.3%	75.1%	73.7%	72.1%	74.8%		
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	5	2	5	4	6		
Percent Cleared	80.0%	100.0%	80.0%	75.0%	50.0%		

#### Table 13: Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012

Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012 (Continued)						
		Final F	igures		Preliminary	
					Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Robbery	2,221	2,052	2,186	1,774	1,744	
Percent Cleared	33.4%	35.9%	31.3%	37.9%	39.0%	
Firearm	1,130	1,048	1,116	810	891	
Percent Cleared	33.1%	29.4%	26.1%	31.1%	38.6%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	128	145	162	139	114	
Percent Cleared	32.0%	37.9%	45.1%	47.5%	41.2%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	142	155	116	141	97	
Percent Cleared	35.2%	42.6%	38.8%	53.2%	49.5%	
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	821	704	792	684	642	
Percent Cleared	33.7%	43.6%	34.7%	40.8%	37.7%	
Assault	23,293	22,256	21,492	21,338	20,962	
Percent Cleared	78.4%	79.7%	78.5%	75.9%	81.0%	
Aggravated	4,029	3,766	3,586	3,401	3,413	
Percent Cleared	72.7%	72.9%	71.2%	70.8%	73.9%	
Firearm	1,063	982	947	851	968	
Percent Cleared	52.0%	51.2%	47.6%	49.2%	55.3%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	846	786	769	749	755	
Percent Cleared	85.9%	84.1%	86.2%	81.6%	84.6%	
Other Dangerous Weapons	1,698	1,610	1,484	1,420	1,348	
Percent Cleared	79.3%	79.9%	78.6%	78.3%	83.1%	
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	422	388	386	381	342	
Percent Cleared	71.6%	76.3%	70.7%	69.8%	66.4%	
Other Assaults	19,264	18,490	17,906	17,937	17,549	
Percent Cleared	79.6%	81.1%	80.0%	76.9%	82.4%	
Simple/Harassment	14,121	13,570	13,437	13,560	13,217	
Percent Cleared	81.8%	83.0%	82.8%	79.6%	84.5%	
Intimidation	5,143	4,920	4,469	4,377	4,332	
Percent Cleared	73.4%	75.9%	71.6%	68.7%	76.0%	

Table 13: Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012 (continued)

Percentage Diff	Percentage Difference in Statewide Violent Offenses Received									
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences <sup>2</sup>						
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12				
All Violent Offenses	-4.52%	-2.66%	-2.39%	-1.65%	-10.78%	-5.87%				
Criminal Homicide	-25.86%	13.95%	4.08%	34.09%	7.27%	22.92%				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-31.03%	22.50%	0.00%	38.10%	5.45%	25.41%				
Negligent Manslaughter	300.0%	-100.0%	200.0%	-50.00%	100.0%	-42.86%				
Kidnapping/Abduction	7.12%	-1.43%	-17.35%	-0.59%	-12.92%	-13.37%				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-2.28%	-6.25%	5.36%	9.63%	0.62%	8.20%				
Rape by Force	3.13%	-16.55%	-2.51%	-21.60%	-37.59%	-29.35%				
Rape by Force - Attempted	-50.00%	58.33%	-21.05%	50.00%	-21.74%	14.29%				
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	N/A	8200.00 %	N/A	N/A				
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	N/A	683.33%	N/A	N/A				
Forcible Fondling	-4.36%	0.80%	9.57%	-1.48%	8.70%	8.18%				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	-60.00%	150.00%	-20.00%	50.00%	20.00%	50.00%				
Robbery	-7.61%	6.53%	-18.85%	-1.91%	-19.41%	-14.26%				
Firearm	-7.26%	6.49%	-27.42%	10.68%	-19.07%	-11.78%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	13.28%	11.72%	-14.20%	-16.79%	-9.52%	-20.28%				
Other Dangerous Weapon	9.15%	-25.16%	21.55%	-34.46%	-29.71%	-30.22%				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	-14.25%	12.50%	-13.64%	-6.69%	-19.65%	-13.48%				
Assault	-4.45%	-3.43%	-0.72%	-1.55%	-8.47%	-4.38%				
Aggravated	-6.53%	-4.78%	-5.16%	0.41%	-13.70%	-6.94%				
Firearm	-7.62%	-3.56%	-10.14%	13.62%	-6.20%	1.87%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-7.09%	-2.16%	-2.60%	1.07%	-9.80%	-3.30%				
Other Dangerous Weapons	-5.18%	-7.83%	-4.31%	-5.00%	-19.28%	-12.57%				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	-8.06%	-0.52%	-1.30%	-10.24%	-17.79%	-13.36%				
Other Assaults	-4.02%	-3.16%	0.17%	-1.92%	-7.37%	-3.86%				
Simple/Harassment	-3.90%	-0.98%	0.92%	-2.17%	-4.69%	-2.51%				
Intimidation	-4.34%	-9.17%	-2.06%	-1.14%	-14.69%	-7.77%				

 Table 14: Percentage Difference in Statewide Violent Offenses Received 2008 - 2012

Crime Rates for Delaware Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Delaware Population	875,301	885,024	897,934	904,436	919,962				
		Fina	al Rates		<b>Preliminary Rate</b>				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Violent Offenses	30.6	28.9	27.8	26.9	26.0				
Criminal Homicide	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1				
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9				
Rape by Force	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3				
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	N/A	<0.1	0.1				
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	N/A	<0.1	0.1				
Forcible Fondling	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Robbery	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.0	1.9				
Firearm	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.0				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1				
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7				
Assault	26.6	25.1	24.0	23.6	22.8				
Aggravated	4.6	4.3	4.0	3.8	3.7				
Firearm	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.1				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8				
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggravated Injury	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4				
Other Assaults	22.0	20.9	20.0	19.8	19.1				
Simple/Harassment	16.1	15.3	15.0	15.0	14.4				
Intimidation	5.9	5.6	5.0	4.8	4.7				

Table 15: Crime Rates for Delaware Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-12

## **Delaware Violent Offense Arrests**

Statewide Adu			ffenses		
		Final C	ounts		Preliminary
					Counts
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Criminal Homicide	38	31	28	33	28
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	38	29	27	32	27
Negligent Manslaughter	0	2	1	1	1
Kidnapping/Abduction	271	293	296	212	240
Sex Offenses, Forcible	241	191	163	217	191
Rape by Force	131	88	79	97	62
Rape by Force - Attempted	2	3	5	1	8
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	5	24
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	1	8
Forcible Fondling	108	98	77	112	88
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	2	2	1	1
Robbery	557	550	534	552	466
Firearm	272	215	233	210	199
Knife or Cutting Instrument	36	36	45	46	37
Other Dangerous Weapon	45	52	35	58	39
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	204	247	221	238	191
Assault	8,872	8,952	8,431	8,212	8,466
Aggravated	1,788	1,704	1,610	1,508	1,518
Firearm	253	224	218	204	226
Knife or Cutting Instrument	443	438	418	396	427
Other Dangerous Weapons	861	811	752	680	679
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	231	231	222	228	186
Other Assaults	7,084	7,248	6,821	6,704	6,948
Simple/Harassment	5,499	5,554	5,381	5,354	5,431
Intimidation	1,585	1,694	1,440	1,350	1,517

 Table 16: Total Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
		Final F	igures		Preliminary		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Criminal Homicide	38	31	28	33	28		
Percent Male	100.0%	96.8%	85.7%	93.9%	85.7%		
Percent White	13.2%	19.4%	42.8%	30.3%	21.4%		
Percent Black	86.8%	80.6%	57.1%	66.7%	78.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.3%	6.5%	7.1%	6.1%	0.0%		
Kidnapping/Abduction	271	293	296	212	240		
Percent Male	91.5%	89.8%	91.6%	92.0%	92.1%		
Percent White	49.8%	50.5%	53.3%	50.0%	50.0%		
Percent Black	49.9%	49.5%	46.3%	49.0%	49.6%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.9%	8.8%	6.8%	5.7%	6.7%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	241	191	163	217	191		
Percent Male	96.3%	97.4%	96.4%	99.1%	94.8%		
Percent White	66.8%	62.3%	63.8%	59.7%	59.1%		
Percent Black	33.2%	37.1%	33.7%	39.5%	39.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.9%	5.2%	7.8%	6.0%	12.0%		
Robbery	557	550	534	552	466		
Percent Male	84.0%	87.2%	85.6%	85.0%	82.2%		
Percent White	34.5%	37.8%	33.5%	38.0%	39.3%		
Percent Black	65.0%	62.2%	66.3%	61.9%	60.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.5%	3.7%	3.3%	3.8%	3.2%		
Assault	8,872	8,952	8,431	8,212	8,466		
Aggravated	1,788	1,704	1,610	1,508	1,518		
Percent Male	71.7%	67.1%	72.6%	70.1%	71.5%		
Percent White	48.8%	50.7%	47.8%	48.6%	47.8%		
Percent Black	50.8%	49.0%	51.8%	50.9%	51.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.7%	4.9%	4.0%	4.8%	4.8%		
Other Assaults	7,084	7,248	6,821	6,704	6,948		
Percent Male	72.3%	71.9%	71.2%	69.8%	70.1%		
Percent White	57.7%	54.7%	55.0%	52.4%	52.0%		
Percent Black	42.1%	44.9%	44.6%	47.1%	47.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.2%	4.1%	3.8%	3.4%	3.1%		

Table 17: Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses							
			Preliminary				
	ii"	Counts					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Criminal Homicide	4	3	4	2	1		
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	4	3	4	2	1		
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0		
Kidnapping/Abduction	15	18	14	13	13		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	72	76	69	58	61		
Rape by Force	36	31	23	20	10		
Rape by Force - Attempted	7	2	0	1	1		
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	2	1	11		
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	1	4		
Forcible Fondling	28	43	44	34	34		
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	1	0	0	1	1		
Robbery	216	181	112	140	138		
Firearm	64	58	28	43	62		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	3	8	4	11	5		
Other Dangerous Weapon	11	21	4	11	5		
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	138	94	76	75	66		
Assault	1,993	1,772	1,476	1,532	1,366		
Aggravated	354	305	222	250	217		
Firearm	42	29	25	28	23		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	127	71	64	67	66		
Other Dangerous Weapons	127	139	89	104	97		
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggravated Injury	58	66	44	51	31		
Other Assaults	1,639	1,467	1,254	1,282	1,149		
Simple/Harassment	1,343	1,192	1,054	1,077	955		
Intimidation	296	275	200	205	194		

#### Table 18: Total Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
					Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Criminal Homicide	4	3	4	2	1			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	15	18	14	13	13			
Percent Male	100.0%	83.3%	92.9%	92.3%	92.3%			
Percent White	40.0%	50.0%	57.1%	46.2%	53.8%			
Percent Black	60.0%	50.0%	35.7%	53.8%	46.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.7%	5.6%	0.0%	15.4%	7.7%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	72	76	69	58	61			
Percent Male	97.2%	93.4%	95.7%	98.3%	96.7%			
Percent White	40.3%	59.2%	55.1%	48.3%	44.2%			
Percent Black	58.4%	40.8%	42.0%	51.7%	54.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	13.2%	2.9%	3.4%	3.3%			
Robbery	216	181	112	140	138			
Percent Male	93.1%	90.6%	92.0%	93.6%	89.1%			
Percent White	22.3%	11.6%	11.6%	20.0%	20.2%			
Percent Black	76.9%	88.4%	88.4%	79.3%	79.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.5%	3.3%	5.4%	4.3%	5.8%			
Assault	1,993	1,772	1,476	1,532	1,366			
Aggravated	354	305	222	250	217			
Percent Male	73.7%	77.0%	70.7%	74.4%	75.6%			
Percent White	33.0%	42.6%	36.9%	33.2%	34.1%			
Percent Black	65.9%	57.4%	62.6%	66.0%	65.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.7%	5.2%	8.1%	4.4%	5.1%			
Other Assaults	1,639	1,467	1,254	1,282	1,149			
Percent Male	67.2%	64.8%	65.4%	61.1%	57.1%			
Percent White	39.0%	40.5%	40.9%	40.2%	37.1%			
Percent Black	60.6%	59.0%	58.7%	59.0%	62.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.9%	6.8%	6.6%	6.0%	6.0%			

Table 19: Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

## A Closer Look: Delaware Homicide Victim and Offender Demographics

Delaware victims of homicide from 2008 through 2012 have been predominantly males 18 to 50 years old (see Table 20). Around 60% of victims were identified as Black and around 10% Hispanic/Latino. Nearly all of the known alleged offenders have been male and predominantly aged 18 to 34. Around three-fourths of known offenders have been Black.

Demographics of Delaware Homicide Victims and Alleged Offenders								
		Final Counts						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Total Homicide Victims	58	43	49	51	59			
Percent Male	82.5%	75.6%	89.8%	80.0%	83.9%			
Percent White	33.3%	39.0%	36.7%	44.0%	37.0%			
Percent Black	66.7%	61.0%	63.3%	54.0%	63.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	12.3%	10.3%	10.4%	10.0%	3.9%			
Average Age (in years)	31.0	29.9	33.3	36.3	31.0			
Percent <18 years old	3.5%	14.6%	4.1%	6.0%	14.8%			
Percent 18-34 years old	70.2%	56.1%	59.2%	44.0%	55.6%			
Percent 35-50 years old	15.8%	14.7%	20.4%	28.0%	11.1%			
Percent >50 years old	10.5%	14.6%	16.3%	22.0%	18.5%			
Missing/Incomplete Information	1	2	1	1-3	3-7			
Total Offenders	82	59	82	73	79			
Percent Male	100.0%	93.8	96.0%	93.6%	86.7%			
Percent White	18.2%	24.5%	21.7%	29.5%	23.3%			
Percent Black	81.8%	75.5%	78.3%	70.5%	75.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	9.7%	2.1%	10.2%	5.2%	1.7%			
Average Age at Arrest (in years)	25.8	25.0	26.2	28.6	26.4			
Percent <18 years old	7.7%	8.9%	13.1%	3.8%	3.6%			
Percent 18-34 years old	80.0%	75.5%	70.5%	75.4%	78.2%			
Percent 35-50 years old	6.1%	6.7	8.2%	17.0%	16.4%			
Percent >50 years old	6.2%	8.9	8.2%	3.8%	1.8%			
Missing/Incomplete Information	16-20	10-14	8-21	11-20	19-24			

Table 20: Demographics of Delaware Homicide Victims and Alleged Offenders 2008 - 2012
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### New Castle County Violent Offense and Clearances

Overall, Violent Offenses in the county were about 13% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The two most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Assault and Robbery – experienced declines of around 13% and 17% respectively. Of special note:

- Preliminary 2012 data indicate the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter offenses was higher compared to 2008 (48 versus 44) and was at its highest point than any time during the prior four years.
- Robbery and Assault with a Firearm offenses appear to be down 16% and 10% compared to 2008, although both experienced substantial increases of about 16% and 20% compared to 2011.

Most Kidnapping and Assault offenses and more than 60% of Forcible Sex offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Less than half of Robbery and Homicide offenses were cleared during that period. Except for Homicides, which take longer to be cleared, Violent Offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 21-27 and Figure 15 provide detailed information about New Castle County Violent Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 15: New Castle County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012							
		Final F	igures		Preliminary		
					Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
All Violent Offenses	16,150	14,586	14,671	13,650	13,600		
Percent Cleared	68.5%	69.2%	67.6%	62.5%	71.7%		
Criminal Homicide	44	33	39	39	48		
Percent Cleared	38.6%	57.6%	48.7%	46.2%	39.6%		
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	44	32	39	38	47		
Percent Cleared	38.6%	56.3%	48.7%	47.4%	38.3%		
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	1	1		
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	100.0%		
Kidnapping/Abduction	190	194	201	171	171		
Percent Cleared	80.0%	79.4%	75.6%	70.8%	79.5%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	391	353	356	364	349		
Percent Cleared	67.5%	67.1%	58.4%	53.0%	61.6%		
Rape by Force	186	170	163	170	133		
Percent Cleared	71.0%	68.8%	56.4%	47.1%	54.1%		
Rape by Force - Attempted	9	3	7	7	8		
Percent Cleared	22.2%	66.7%	42.9%	42.9%	62.5%		
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	4	10	16		
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	75.0%	80.0%	56.3%		
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	3	10		
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	33.3%	80.0%		
Forcible Fondling	194	179	179	173	180		
Percent Cleared	66.0%	65.4%	60.3%	58.4%	67.2%		
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	2	1	3	1	2		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%		

Table 21: New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012

New Castle Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012 (Continued)								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Robbery	1,724	1,555	1,738	1,324	1,381			
Percent Cleared	28.8%	32.0%	28.4%	32.9%	37.1%			
Firearm	876	812	909	617	713			
Percent Cleared	28.4%	27.0%	23.3%	27.6%	37.4%			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	101	95	126	98	82			
Percent Cleared	31.7%	27.4%	46.8%	38.8%	37.8%			
Other Dangerous Weapon	106	115	90	100	75			
Percent Cleared	29.2%	38.3%	33.3%	50.0%	45.3%			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	641	533	613	509	511			
Percent Cleared	28.9%	39.0%	31.3%	35.0%	35.2%			
Assault	13,801	12,451	12,337	11,752	11,651			
Percent Cleared	73.4%	73.7%	73.3%	66.0%	76.2%			
Aggravated	2,487	2,201	2,201	1,920	1,968			
Percent Cleared	70.8%	67.9%	67.7%	63.1%	70.9%			
Firearm	677	643	602	489	587			
Percent Cleared	50.2%	47.9%	41.7%	36.2%	53.2%			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	539	483	511	461	451			
Percent Cleared	83.7%	81.4%	85.3%	77.9%	81.4%			
Other Dangerous Weapons	1,030	894	872	772	744			
Percent Cleared	78.3%	74.3%	75.2%	71.8%	80.6%			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	241	181	216	198	186			
Percent Cleared	67.6%	71.3%	68.5%	61.1%	62.4%			
Other Assaults	11,314	10,250	10,136	9,832	9,683			
Percent Cleared	74.0%	75.0%	74.5%	66.6%	77.2%			
Simple/Harassment	8,136	7,328	7,452	7,314	7,128			
Percent Cleared	75.6%	76.2%	76.5%	68.9%	78.9%			
Intimidation	3,178	2,922	2,684	2,518	2,555			
Percent Cleared	69.8%	71.9%	68.9%	59.9%	72.5%			

Table 21: New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012 (continued)

Percentage Differen	ce in New	Castle Cou	inty Violen	nt Offenses	Received		
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 – 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12	
All Violent Offenses	-9.68%	0.58%	-6.96%	0.29%	-13.50%	-6.67%	
Criminal Homicide	-25.0%	18.18%	0.0%	50.00%	17.07%	31.51%	
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-27.27%	21.88%	-2.56%	51.61%	14.63%	31.47%	
Negligent Manslaughter	100.0%	-100.0%	100.0%	0.00%	100.0%	33.33%	
Kidnapping/Abduction	2.11%	3.61%	-14.93%	0.59%	-7.57%	-8.43%	
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-9.72%	0.85%	2.25%	12.58%	-3.32%	5.92%	
Rape by Force	-8.60%	-4.12%	4.29%	-8.28%	-25.28%	-16.09%	
Rape by Force – Attempted	-66.67%	133.33%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	60.00%	
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	150.00%	1500.0%	N/A	N/A	
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	N/A	1000.0%	N/A	N/A	
Forcible Fondling	-7.73%	0.0%	-3.35%	9.76%	4.05%	8.93%	
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	-50.0%	200.0%	-66.67%	100.00%	0.00%	14.29%	
Robbery	-9.80%	11.77%	-23.82%	3.60%	-17.35%	-11.79%	
Firearm	-7.31%	11.95%	-32.12%	15.75%	-16.02%	-9.80%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-5.94%	32.63%	-22.22%	-14.58%	-18.00%	-21.72%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	8.49%	-21.74%	11.11%	-30.56%	-26.47%	-27.54%	
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	-16.85%	15.01%	-16.97%	-0.39%	-17.58%	-9.84%	
Assault	-9.78%	-0.92%	-4.74%	-0.55%	-13.47%	-6.44%	
Aggravated	-11.50%	0.00%	-12.77%	2.50%	-18.98%	-9.85%	
Firearm	-5.02%	-6.38%	-18.77%	20.04%	-10.24%	-1.51%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-10.39%	5.80%	-9.78%	-1.74%	-14.91%	-8.47%	
Other Dangerous Weapons	-13.20%	-2.46%	-11.47%	-3.75%	-26.19%	-15.98%	
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	-24.90%	19.34%	-8.33%	-6.53%	-21.52%	-10.90%	
Other Assaults	-9.40%	-1.11%	-3.00%	-1.14%	-12.26%	-5.72%	
Simple/Harassment	-9.93%	1.69%	-1.85%	-1.98%	-9.93%	-4.57%	
Intimidation	-8.06%	-8.15%	-6.18%	1.27%	-18.16%	-8.77%	

Table 22: Percentage Difference in New Castle County Violent Offenses Received 2008 - 2012

Crime Rates for New Castle County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
New Castle County Population	535,007	538,936	542,818	546,643	547,059				
		Fina	al Rates		<b>Preliminary Rate</b>				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Violent Offenses	30.2	27.1	27.0	25.0	24.9				
Criminal Homicide	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1				
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	.03				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6				
Rape by Force	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2				
Rape by Force - Attempted	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1				
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1				
Forcible Fondling	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Robbery	3.2	2.9	3.2	2.4	2.5				
Firearm	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.1	1.3				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1				
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.9				
Assault	25.8	23.1	22.7	21.5	21.3				
Aggravated	4.6	4.1	4.1	3.5	3.6				
Firearm	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.1				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8				
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3				
Other Assaults	21.1	19.0	18.7	18.0	17.7				
Simple/Harassment	15.2	13.6	13.7	13.4	13.0				
Intimidation	5.9	5.4	4.9	4.6	4.7				

Table 23: Crime Rates for New Castle County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People 08-12

# New Castle County Violent Offense Arrests

New Castle County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses						
			Preliminary			
					Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Criminal Homicide	29	25	16	20	22	
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	29	24	16	20	21	
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	0	1	
Kidnapping/Abduction	121	135	139	95	107	
Sex Offenses, Forcible	81	67	54	63	52	
Rape by Force	39	26	25	25	14	
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	1	1	0	4	
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	2	2	
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	0	1	
Forcible Fondling	42	39	27	36	30	
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	1	0	1	
Robbery	347	343	334	329	313	
Firearm	166	130	137	119	126	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	28	18	34	29	24	
Other Dangerous Weapon	28	35	21	37	26	
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	125	160	142	144	137	
Assault	5,371	5,268	5,166	4,600	5,147	
Aggravated	1,070	987	969	783	886	
Firearm	164	143	123	95	138	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	271	268	288	238	254	
Other Dangerous Weapons	517	470	441	354	394	
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	118	106	117	96	100	
Other Assaults	4,301	4,281	4,197	3,817	4,261	
Simple/Harassment	3,248	3,175	3,235	3,016	3,254	
Intimidation	1,053	1,106	962	801	1,007	

 Table 24: Total New Castle County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Eth								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Criminal Homicide	29	25	16	20	22			
Percent Male	100.0%	96.0%	87.5%	90.0%	86.4%			
Percent White	10.3%	20.0%	31.3%	25.0%	9.0%			
Percent Black	89.7%	80.0%	68.8%	70.0%	90.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	8.0%	12.5%	10.0%	0.0%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	121	135	139	95	107			
Percent Male	87.6%	88.1%	89.9%	88.4%	91.6%			
Percent White	48.7%	41.5%	50.4%	44.2%	46.8%			
Percent Black	50.5%	58.5%	49.7%	54.8%	52.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.6%	9.6%	8.6%	2.1%	10.3%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	81	67	54	63	52			
Percent Male	95.1%	98.5%	96.5%	100.0%	96.2%			
Percent White	65.5%	52.2%	57.9%	54.0%	46.1%			
Percent Black	34.6%	46.3%	38.6%	46.0%	53.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	12.3%	4.5%	10.5%	7.9%	11.5%			
Robbery	347	343	334	329	313			
Percent Male	85.0%	90.4%	87.1%	83.9%	81.5%			
Percent White	34.6%	38.2%	29.9%	37.1%	36.7%			
Percent Black	64.6%	61.8%	69.8%	62.9%	62.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.5%	5.0%	5.1%	4.3%	4.1%			
Assault	5,371	5,268	5,166	4,600	5,147			
Aggravated	1,070	987	969	783	886			
Percent Male	68.8%	64.0%	69.8%	64.5%	70.0%			
Percent White	44.0%	44.9%	43.5%	41.7%	42.2%			
Percent Black	55.4%	54.8%	56.0%	57.8%	57.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.4%	5.9%	4.5%	5.4%	6.3%			
Other Assaults	4,301	4,281	4,197	3,817	4,261			
Percent Male	72.2%	71.0%	70.4%	67.9%	68.7%			
Percent White	55.4%	51.2%	52.7%	48.0%	47.7%			
Percent Black	44.2%	48.5%	46.9%	51.5%	51.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.8%	4.9%	4.6%	3.8%	3.9%			

Table 25: NCC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses							
		Preliminary					
					Counts		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Criminal Homicide	3	3	3	0	1		
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	3	3	3	0	1		
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0		
Kidnapping/Abduction	8	4	8	9	9		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	27	31	11	15	15		
Rape by Force	13	14	2	5	4		
Rape by Force - Attempted	1	0	0	1	0		
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	1	1	1		
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	0	0		
Forcible Fondling	13	17	8	8	10		
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	0	0	0		
Robbery	168	134	82	92	94		
Firearm	53	38	24	30	39		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	2	2	3	6	4		
Other Dangerous Weapon	5	18	4	4	2		
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	108	76	51	52	49		
Assault	1,174	941	846	878	836		
Aggravated	225	161	144	156	132		
Firearm	28	19	11	14	17		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	86	45	42	48	38		
Other Dangerous Weapons	84	58	58	60	60		
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	27	39	33	34	17		
Other Assaults	949	780	702	722	704		
Simple/Harassment	755	626	583	599	585		
Intimidation	194	154	119	123	119		

Table 26: Total New Castle County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Criminal Homicide	3	3	3	0	1			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%			
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	N/A	0.0%			
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	N/A	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	N/A	0.0%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	8	4	8	9	9			
Percent Male	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	88.9%	88.9%			
Percent White	12.5%	50.0%	37.5%	55.5%	55.5%			
Percent Black	87.5%	50.0%	50.0%	44.4%	44.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	11.1%	11.1%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	27	31	11	15	15			
Percent Male	96.3%	93.5%	100.0%	100.0%	93.3%			
Percent White	44.4%	64.5%	45.5%	60.0%	26.7%			
Percent Black	55.6%	35.5%	54.5%	40.0%	73.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	18.5%	22.6%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%			
Robbery	168	134	82	92	94			
Percent Male	92.9%	90.3%	90.2%	91.3%	85.1%			
Percent White	17.9%	10.4%	13.4%	23.9%	20.2%			
Percent Black	82.2%	89.6%	86.6%	75.0%	79.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.0%	4.5%	7.3%	6.5%	6.4%			
Assault	1,174	941	846	878	836			
Aggravated	225	161	144	156	132			
Percent Male	73.3%	77.0%	68.1%	69.2%	72.7%			
Percent White	32.5%	47.9%	27.7%	29.5%	28.8%			
Percent Black	66.2%	62.1%	71.5%	70.5%	70.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.9%	8.1%	9.0%	5.8%	3.8%			
Other Assaults	949	780	702	722	704			
Percent Male	66.8%	65.9%	66.1%	60.7%	55.4%			
Percent White	36.1%	37.2%	34.8%	34.8%	34.6%			
Percent Black	63.2%	62.1%	65.1%	64.7%	64.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.8%	9.3%	7.0%	7.3%	7.1%			

Table 27: NCC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

## **Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Violent Offenses in the county were about 3% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The two most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Assault and Robbery – experienced declines of around 2% and 23% respectively. Of special note:

- Preliminary 2012 data indicate the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter offenses was lower in 2008 (5 versus 8) and was lower than at any time during the prior four years.
- Robbery with a Firearm offenses appear to be down 30% compared to 2008 while Assault with a Firearm offenses were up 34%. Compared with 2011, Robbery with a Firearm declined 17% while Assault with a Firearm increased about 5%.

Most Kidnapping, Assault, and Forcible Sex offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. At least half of Robbery and Homicide offenses were cleared during that period. All categories of Violent Offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 28-34 and Figure 16 provide detailed information about Kent County Violent Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 16: Kent County Delaware Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Kent County Violent C	Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012							
		Final F	igures		Preliminary			
					Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Violent Offenses	5,087	5,123	4,740	5,269	4,891			
Percent Cleared	84.2%	86.0%	84.1%	86.1%	84.8%			
Criminal Homicide	8	6	6	8	5			
Percent Cleared	75.0%	16.7%	83.3%	100.0%	60.0%			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	8	4	6	7	5			
Percent Cleared	75.0%	0.0%	83.3%	100.0%	60.0%			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	2	0	1	0			
Percent Cleared	N/A	50.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Kidnapping/Abduction	90	103	103	97	76			
Percent Cleared	84.4%	89.3%	89.3%	83.5%	92.1%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	219	185	166	224	227			
Percent Cleared	87.7%	84.9%	86.7%	82.1%	85.5%			
Rape by Force	125	92	75	94	54			
Percent Cleared	87.2%	83.7%	86.7%	81.9%	83.3%			
Rape by Force - Attempted	6	3	9	1	5			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	77.8%	100.0%	100.0%			
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	3	39			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	66.7%	82.1%			
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	1	25			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	88.0%			
Forcible Fondling	85	90	81	124	103			
Percent Cleared	88.2%	85.6%	87.7%	83.1%	86.4%			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	3	0	1	1	1			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			

### Table 28: Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012

Kent County Violent Offen	Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012 (Continued)						
		Final F			Preliminary		
					Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Robbery	250	242	223	233	189		
Percent Cleared	53.6%	51.7%	43.9%	57.1%	49.7%		
Firearm	140	114	105	118	97		
Percent Cleared	58.6%	43.9%	41.9%	48.3%	48.5%		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	16	23	18	24	17		
Percent Cleared	43.8%	65.2%	33.3%	79.2%	52.9%		
Other Dangerous Weapon	20	18	11	15	11		
Percent Cleared	65.0%	55.6%	45.5%	66.7%	63.6%		
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	74	87	89	76	64		
Percent Cleared	43.2%	57.5%	48.3%	61.8%	48.4%		
Assault	4520	4587	4,242	4,707	4,394		
Percent Cleared	85.8%	87.9%	86.0%	87.8%	86.1%		
Aggravated	730	751	670	777	720		
Percent Cleared	76.8%	81.8%	79.0%	79.7%	74.9%		
Firearm	169	155	173	216	228		
Percent Cleared	59.2%	61.9%	62.4%	64.4%	56.1%		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	154	155	142	163	155		
Percent Cleared	89.6%	86.5%	88.7%	88.3%	87.1%		
Other Dangerous Weapons	330	345	282	300	263		
Percent Cleared	81.5%	89.3%	85.5%	86.3%	86.7%		
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	77	96	73	98	74		
Percent Cleared	70.1%	79.2%	74.0%	78.6%	64.9%		
Other Assaults	3790	3836	3,572	3,930	3,674		
Percent Cleared	87.5%	89.1%	87.3%	89.4%	88.4%		
Simple/Harassment	2872	2972	2,797	3,054	2,879		
Percent Cleared	90.0%	91.1%	90.6%	91.7%	90.8%		
Intimidation	918	864	775	876	795		
Percent Cleared	79.5%	81.9%	75.1%	81.3%	79.6%		

Table 28: Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012 (continued)

Percentage Diffe	-			ffenses Reo	eived	
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences
	08 – 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 – 12	08 – 12	Average 08-11 -12
All Violent Offenses	0.71%	-7.48%	11.16%	-7.02%	-3.64%	-3.01%
Criminal Homicide	-25.00%	0.00%	33.33%	-37.50%	-37.50%	-25.93%
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-50.00%	50.00%	16.67%	-28.57%	-37.50%	-20.00%
Negligent Manslaughter	200.0%	-100.0%	100.0%	-100.00%	100.0%	-100.00%
Kidnapping/Abduction	14.44%	0.0%	-5.83%	-20.00%	-14.61%	-22.05%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-15.53%	-10.27%	34.94%	3.18%	4.61%	15.23%
Rape by Force	-26.40%	-18.48%	25.33%	-42.55%	-55.74%	-43.46%
Rape by Force – Attempted	-50.00%	200.00%	-88.89%	400.00%	-16.67%	11.11%
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	N/A	3900.0%	N/A	N/A
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	N/A	2400.0%	N/A	N/A
Forcible Fondling	5.88%	-10.00%	53.09%	-17.60%	19.77%	7.29%
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	-100.0%	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	-66.67%	-20.00%
Robbery	-3.20%	-7.85%	4.48%	-18.53%	-23.79%	-19.75%
Firearm	-18.57%	-7.89%	12.38%	-17.09%	-30.22%	-17.80%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	43.75%	-21.74%	33.33%	-29.17%	6.25%	-16.05%
Other Dangerous Weapon	-10.00%	-38.89%	36.36%	-21.43%	-45.00%	-30.16%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	17.57%	2.30%	-14.61%	-16.88%	-12.33%	-21.47%
Assault	1.48%	-7.52%	10.96%	-6.61%	-2.66%	-2.49%
Aggravated	2.88%	-10.79%	15.97%	-7.34%	-1.23%	-1.57%
Firearm	-8.28%	11.61%	24.86%	5.07%	34.91%	28.27%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.65%	-8.39%	14.79%	-4.91%	0.00%	0.81%
Other Dangerous Weapons	4.55%	-18.26%	6.38%	-12.04%	-19.82%	-15.97%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	24.68%	-23.96%	34.25%	-24.49%	-3.90%	-14.94%
Other Assaults	1.21%	-6.88%	10.02%	-6.47%	-2.93%	-2.66%
Simple/Harassment	3.48%	-5.89%	9.19%	-5.67%	0.35%	-1.34%
Intimidation	-5.88%	-10.30%	13.03%	-9.25%	-13.21%	-7.15%

Table 29: Percentage Difference in Kent County Violent Offenses Received

Crime Rates for Kent	County Vio	lent Offens	es Receive	d per 1,000	People
Kent County Population	152,980	155,231	157,503	159,795	167,103
		Final	Rates		<b>Preliminary Rate</b>
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
All Violent Offenses	33.3	33.0	30.1	33.0	29.27
Criminal Homicide	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	0.0
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.4
Rape by Force	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.3
Rape by Force - Attempted	N/A	N/A	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	0.0	<0.1	0.2
Sexual Assault with Object	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	0.1
Forcible Fondling	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.6
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Robbery	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.1
Firearm	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4
Assault	29.5	29.5	26.9	29.5	26.3
Aggravated	4.8	4.8	4.3	4.9	4.3
Firearm	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.4
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9
Other Dangerous Weapons	2.2	2.2	1.8	1.9	1.6
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4
Other Assaults	24.8	24.7	22.7	24.6	22.0
Simple/Harassment	18.8	19.1	17.8	19.1	17.2
Intimidation	6.0	5.6	4.9	5.5	4.8

Table 30: Crime Rates for Kent County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-12

# Kent County Violent Offense Arrests

Kent County Addit Arrests	-				
		Preliminary			
					Counts
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Criminal Homicide	5	2	9	10	4
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	5	1	8	9	4
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	1	1	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	67	87	80	65	67
Sex Offenses, Forcible	73	65	55	86	74
Rape by Force	44	27	24	42	22
Rape by Force - Attempted	1	2	4	1	3
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	1	14
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	0	4
Forcible Fondling	28	35	27	42	31
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	0	0	0
Robbery	120	102	107	107	74
Firearm	79	39	53	53	43
Knife or Cutting Instrument	6	8	7	10	4
Other Dangerous Weapon	8	10	4	7	6
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	27	45	43	37	21
Assault	1,818	1,968	1,636	1,897	1,708
Aggravated	330	365	330	386	326
Firearm	38	42	53	61	57
Knife or Cutting Instrument	83	95	72	90	92
Other Dangerous Weapons	168	175	154	167	136
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	41	53	51	68	41
Other Assaults	1,488	1,603	1,306	1,511	1,382
Simple/Harassment	1,191	1,284	1,064	1,215	1,139
Intimidation	297	319	242	296	243

 Table 31: Total Kent County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Adult Arrests	for Violent Offei	nses by Ge	nder, Race	, and Ethr	nicity		
		Final F	igures		Preliminary		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Criminal Homicide	5	2	9	10	4		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	77.8%	100.0%	75.0%		
Percent White	20.0%	0.0%	55.5%	40.0%	75.0%		
Percent Black	80.0%	100.0%	44.4%	60.0%	25.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Kidnapping/Abduction	67	87	80	65	67		
Percent Male	92.5%	88.5%	91.3%	93.8%	92.5%		
Percent White	49.3%	52.8%	47.5%	55.4%	46.3%		
Percent Black	50.8%	47.1%	52.6%	44.6%	53.8%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	3.4%	1.3%	6.1%	1.5%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	73	65	55	86	74		
Percent Male	95.9%	96.9%	94.5%	98.9%	95.9%		
Percent White	60.3%	60.0%	60.0%	57.5%	59.5%		
Percent Black	39.7%	40.0%	40.0%	41.3%	37.9%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.5%	1.5%	1.8%	3.4%	4.1%		
Robbery	120	102	107	107	74		
Percent Male	86.7%	80.4%	83.2%	86.9%	86.5%		
Percent White	36.7%	28.5%	39.2%	29.9%	35.2%		
Percent Black	63.4%	71.5%	60.7%	70.1%	64.9%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.3%	2.0%	0.9%	3.7%	1.4%		
Assault	1,818	1,968	1,636	1,897	1,708		
Aggravated	330	365	330	386	326		
Percent Male	73.0%	68.8%	76.7%	76.9%	70.9%		
Percent White	50.9%	53.2%	47.6%	49.0%	50.9%		
Percent Black	49.1%	46.6%	52.1%	50.8%	48.8%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.7%	1.9%	2.7%	2.6%	2.4%		
Other Assaults	1,488	1,603	1,306	1,511	1,382		
Percent Male	71.6%	71.8%	72.7%	71.1%	71.7%		
Percent White	55.4%	54.2%	50.6%	50.5%	50.0%		
Percent Black	44.5%	45.4%	49.4%	49.0%	49.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.4%	2.2%	1.6%	1.5%	1.2%		

Table 32: KC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juve	nile Arrest	ts – Violent	t Offenses		
			Preliminary		
			Counts		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Criminal Homicide	1	0	1	2	0
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	0	1	2	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	3	4	2	2	2
Sex Offenses, Forcible	28	20	17	20	26
Rape by Force	16	10	7	6	5
Rape by Force - Attempted	4	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	0	6
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	0	4
Forcible Fondling	7	10	10	14	11
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	1	0	0	0	0
Robbery	29	20	10	36	31
Firearm	9	12	2	12	15
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1	3	1	5	1
Other Dangerous Weapon	5	1	0	6	2
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	14	4	7	13	13
Assault	414	405	348	360	295
Aggravated	75	73	44	54	44
Firearm	12	8	10	10	3
Knife or Cutting Instrument	22	9	14	8	12
Other Dangerous Weapons	24	38	13	25	18
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	17	18	7	11	11
Other Assaults	339	332	304	306	251
Simple/Harassment	288	284	265	266	216
Intimidation	51	48	39	40	35

### Table 33: Total Kent County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Juvenile Arres		-		-	•		
		Final Fi	gures		Preliminary		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Criminal Homicide	1	0	1	2	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A		
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A		
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A		
Kidnapping/Abduction	3	4	2	2	2		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	67.0%	50.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	33.0%	50.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	28	20	17	20	26		
Percent Male	100.0%	95.0%	94.1%	95.0%	96.2%		
Percent White	32.1%	65.0%	70.6%	30.0%	42.3%		
Percent Black	67.9%	30.0%	29.4%	70.0%	57.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Robbery	29	20	10	36	31		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	96.8%		
Percent White	24.1%	5.0%	20.0%	8.3%	25.8%		
Percent Black	69.0%	95.0%	80.0%	91.7%	74.2%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%		
Assault	414	405	348	360	295		
Aggravated	75	73	44	54	44		
Percent Male	82.7%	79.5%	68.2%	87.0%	86.4%		
Percent White	21.4%	46.6%	38.6%	35.2%	34.0%		
Percent Black	77.4%	53.5%	61.4%	61.1%	65.9%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.7%	2.7%	2.3%	0.0%	2.3%		
Other Assaults	339	332	304	306	251		
Percent Male	67.6%	63.9%	64.8%	64.1%	58.2%		
Percent White	33.7%	41.9%	46.0%	43.5%	39.0%		
Percent Black	66.4%	57.9%	53.7%	55.3%	59.8%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.9%	3.9%	6.6%	3.3%	2.0%		

Table 34: KC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

### **Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Violent Offenses in the county were slightly lower (about 1%) in 2012 compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Assault, Robbery, and Forcible Sex Offenses were all different. The number of Assaults was virtually unchanged compared to 2008. Robbery experienced a decline of around 28% during this period, while Forcible Sex Offenses increased about 3%. Of special note:

- Preliminary 2012 data indicate the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter offenses was low and identical to the total from 2008.
- Robbery and Assault with a Firearm offenses appear to be down 28% and 26% compared to 2008, although both experienced increases of about 12% and 4% compared to 2011.

Most Kidnapping, Assault, and Forcible Sex offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. About two-thirds of Homicide offenses and less than half of Robbery offenses were cleared during that period. All categories of Violent Offenses committed in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 35-41 and Figure 17 provide detailed information about Sussex County Violent Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.





Sussex County Violent	Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012							
		Final F	igures		Preliminary			
					Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Violent Offenses	5,563	5,879	5,496	5,393	5,419			
Percent Cleared	83.2%	84.5%	83.3%	86.3%	85.9%			
Criminal Homicide	6	4	4	4	6			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	66.7%			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	6	4	4	4	6			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	66.7%			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Kidnapping/Abduction	113	124	111	75	90			
Percent Cleared	78.8%	69.4%	82.9%	81.3%	80.0%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	225	278	243	218	232			
Percent Cleared	75.6%	84.5%	81.5%	79.4%	76.3%			
Rape by Force	105	167	120	85	67			
Percent Cleared	80.0%	85.0%	79.2%	75.3%	70.1%			
Rape by Force - Attempted	9	6	3	7	5			
Percent Cleared	77.8%	100.0%	33.3%	85.7%	80.0%			
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	3	3	28			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	96.4%			
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	6	12			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	83.3%	66.7%			
Forcible Fondling	111	104	116	115	117			
Percent Cleared	71.2%	82.7%	84.5%	80.9%	76.1%			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	1	2	3			
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%			

### Table 35: Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 - 2012

Sussex County Violent Offe					d)
		Final F		-	Preliminary
					Figures
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Robbery	247	255	225	217	174
Percent Cleared	44.9%	44.7%	41.3%	47.5%	43.1%
Firearm	114	122	102	75	81
Percent Cleared	37.7%	32.0%	34.3%	33.3%	37.0%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	11	27	18	17	15
Percent Cleared	18.2%	51.9%	44.4%	52.9%	46.7%
Other Dangerous Weapon	16	22	15	26	11
Percent Cleared	37.5%	54.5%	66.7%	57.7%	63.6%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	106	84	90	99	67
Percent Cleared	56.6%	58.3%	44.4%	54.5%	46.3%
Assault	4,972	5,218	4,913	4,879	4,917
Percent Cleared	85.5%	86.8%	85.3%	88.4%	88.0%
Aggravated	812	814	715	704	725
Percent Cleared	74.9%	78.5%	74.5%	82.1%	81.0%
Firearm	217	184	172	146	153
Percent Cleared	52.1%	53.8%	53.5%	70.5%	62.1%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	153	148	116	125	149
Percent Cleared	90.2%	90.5%	87.1%	86.4%	91.9%
Other Dangerous Weapons	338	371	330	348	341
Percent Cleared	80.5%	84.9%	81.5%	85.9%	85.6%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	104	111	97	85	82
Percent Cleared	81.7%	82.0%	73.2%	80.0%	76.8%
Other Assaults	4,160	4,404	4,198	4,175	4,192
Percent Cleared	87.6%	88.4%	87.1%	89.5%	89.2%
Simple/Harassment	3,113	3,270	3,188	3,192	3,210
Percent Cleared	90.6%	90.6%	90.7%	92.3%	91.4%
Intimidation	1,047	1,134	1,010	983	982
Percent Cleared	78.8%	81.7%	75.9%	80.3%	82.2%

Table 35: Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012 (continued)
Percentage Differ	ence in Su	ssex Count	y Violent (	Offenses Re	eceived		
	Fin	Final Differences Preliminary Differen					
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12	
All Violent Offenses	5.68%	-6.51%	-1.87%	0.93%	-1.67%	-1.93%	
Criminal Homicide	-33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	26.32%	
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	41.18%	
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.00%	
Kidnapping/Abduction	9.73%	-10.48%	-32.43%	21.62%	-20.35%	-14.08%	
Sex Offenses, Forcible	23.56%	-12.59%	-10.29%	12.08%	3.11%	5.33%	
Rape by Force	59.05%	-28.14%	-29.17%	-21.18%	-37.38%	-36.49%	
Rape by Force - Attempted	-33.33%	-50.00%	133.33%	-28.57%	-44.44%	-20.00%	
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	0.00%	2800.0%	N/A	N/A	
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	600.0%	140.00%	N/A	N/A	
Forcible Fondling	-6.31%	11.54%	-0.86%	0.00%	7.34%	7.83%	
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	100.0%	0.00%	100.00%	50.00%	300.0%	200.00%	
Robbery	3.24%	-11.76%	-3.56%	-18.31%	-28.98%	-25.32%	
Firearm	7.02%	-16.39%	-26.47%	12.50%	-28.32%	-20.20%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	145.45%	-33.33%	-5.56%	-11.76%	50.00%	-16.67%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	37.50%	-31.82%	73.33%	-57.69%	-31.25%	-44.30%	
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	-20.75%	7.14%	10.00%	-31.63%	-36.79%	-28.53%	
Assault	4.95%	-5.85%	-0.69%	0.94%	-0.10%	-0.93%	
Aggravated	0.25%	-12.16%	-1.54%	3.28%	-9.03%	-3.72%	
Firearm	-15.21%	-6.52%	-15.12%	4.79%	-26.79%	-13.31%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-3.27%	-21.62%	7.76%	19.20%	-1.97%	10.99%	
Other Dangerous Weapons	9.76%	-11.05%	5.45%	-1.73%	2.10%	-0.66%	
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	6.73%	-12.61%	-12.37%	-2.38%	-19.61%	-17.17%	
Other Assaults	5.87%	-4.68%	-0.55%	0.55%	1.62%	-0.43%	
Simple/Harassment	5.04%	-2.51%	0.13%	0.75%	4.05%	1.26%	
Intimidation	8.31%	-10.93%	-2.67%	-0.10%	-5.58%	-5.58%	

Table 36: Percentage Difference in Sussex County Violent Offenses Received

Crime Rates for Sussex County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People										
Sussex County Population	187,314	190,857	194,422	197,998	205,800					
		Fina	al Rates		<b>Preliminary Rate</b>					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
All Violent Offenses	29.7	30.8	28.3	27.2	26.33					
Criminal Homicide	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4					
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.1	1.1					
Rape by Force	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.3					
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Forcible Sodomy	N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	0.1					
Sexual Assault with Object	N/A	N/A	0.0	<0.1	0.1					
Forcible Fondling	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6					
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Robbery	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.8					
Firearm	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4					
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3					
Assault	26.5	27.3	25.3	24.6	23.9					
Aggravated	4.3	4.3	3.7	3.6	3.5					
Firearm	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.7					
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7					
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.7					
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4					
Other Assaults	22.2	23.1	21.6	21.1	20.4					
Simple/Harassment	16.6	17.1	16.4	16.1	15.6					
Intimidation	5.6	5.9	5.2	5.0	4.8					

Table 37: Crime Rates for Sussex County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-12

# Sussex County Violent Offense Arrests

Sussex County Adult And					
		Final C	ounts		Preliminary
					Counts
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Criminal Homicide	4	4	3	3	2
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	4	4	3	3	2
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	83	71	77	52	66
Sex Offenses, Forcible	87	59	54	68	65
Rape by Force	48	35	30	30	26
Rape by Force - Attempted	1	0	0	0	1
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	2	8
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	1	3
Forcible Fondling	38	24	23	34	27
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	1	1	0
Robbery	90	105	93	116	79
Firearm	27	46	43	38	30
Knife or Cutting Instrument	2	10	4	7	9
Other Dangerous Weapon	9	7	10	14	7
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	52	42	36	57	33
Assault	1,683	1,716	1,629	1,715	1,611
Aggravated	388	352	311	339	306
Firearm	51	39	42	48	31
Knife or Cutting Instrument	89	75	58	68	81
Other Dangerous Weapons	176	166	157	159	149
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	72	72	54	64	45
Other Assaults	1,295	1,364	1,318	1,376	1,305
Simple/Harassment	1,060	1,095	1,082	1,123	1,038
Intimidation	235	269	236	253	267

 Table 38: Total Sussex County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Eth								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Criminal Homicide	4	4	3	3	2			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	25.0%	25.0%	66.7%	33.3%	50.0%			
Percent Black	75.0%	75.0%	33.3%	66.7%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	83	71	77	52	66			
Percent Male	96.4%	94.4%	94.8%	96.2%	92.4%			
Percent White	51.8%	64.8%	64.9%	53.8%	59.1%			
Percent Black	48.2%	35.2%	33.8%	44.2%	40.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	9.6%	14.1%	9.1%	11.5%	6.1%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	87	59	54	68	65			
Percent Male	97.7%	96.6%	98.1%	98.5%	92.3%			
Percent White	73.5%	76.3%	74.1%	67.7%	69.2%			
Percent Black	26.4%	23.7%	22.3%	30.9%	29.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.7%	10.2%	11.1%	7.4%	21.5%			
Robbery	90	105	93	116	79			
Percent Male	76.7%	84.8%	82.8%	86.2%	81.0%			
Percent White	31.1%	45.7%	39.8%	48.3%	53.1%			
Percent Black	68.8%	54.3%	60.2%	51.7%	46.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.2%	1.0%	0.0%	2.6%	1.3%			
Assault	1,683	1,716	1,629	1,715	1,611			
Aggravated	388	352	311	339	306			
Percent Male	78.6%	74.1%	77.2%	75.2%	76.8%			
Percent White	60.0%	64.2%	61.5%	64.3%	60.5%			
Percent Black	39.5%	35.5%	38.3%	35.1%	39.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.2%	5.2%	3.8%	5.6%	3.3%			
Other Assaults	1,295	1,364	1,318	1,376	1,305			
Percent Male	73.3%	74.6%	71.9%	73.5%	73.0%			
Percent White	67.7%	66.3%	66.9%	66.6%	68.1%			
Percent Black	32.1%	33.5%	32.6%	33.0%	31.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.2%	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%	2.8%			

Table 39: SC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Juv	Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses								
		Final C	ounts		Preliminary				
					Counts				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0				
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0				
Kidnapping/Abduction	4	10	4	2	2				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	17	25	41	23	20				
Rape by Force	7	7	14	9	1				
Rape by Force - Attempted	2	2	0	0	1				
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	1	0	4				
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	1	0				
Forcible Fondling	8	16	26	12	13				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	0	1	1				
Robbery	19	27	20	12	13				
Firearm	2	8	2	1	8				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0	3	0	0	0				
Other Dangerous Weapon	1	2	0	1	1				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	16	14	18	10	4				
Assault	405	426	282	294	235				
Aggravated	54	71	34	40	41				
Firearm	2	2	4	4	3				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	19	17	8	11	16				
Other Dangerous Weapons	19	43	18	19	19				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	14	9	4	6	3				
Other Assaults	351	355	248	254	194				
Simple/Harassment	300	282	206	212	154				
Intimidation	51	73	42	42	40				

Table 40: Total Sussex County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Et								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Kidnapping/Abduction	4	10	4	2	2			
Percent Male	100.0%	80.0%	75.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	75.0%	50.0%	75.0%	50.0%	0.0%			
Percent Black	25.0%	50.0%	25.0%	50.0%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	17	25	41	23	20			
Percent Male	94.1%	92.0%	95.1%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	47.1%	48.0%	51.2%	56.5%	60.0%			
Percent Black	47.1%	52.0%	43.9%	43.5%	35.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	12.0%	4.9%	4.3%	10.0%			
Robbery	19	27	20	12	13			
Percent Male	84.2%	85.2%	95.0%	91.7%	100.0%			
Percent White	57.9%	22.2%	0.0%	25.0%	7.7%			
Percent Black	42.1%	77.8%	100.0%	75.0%	92.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.7%			
Assault	405	426	282	294	235			
Aggravated	54	71	34	40	41			
Percent Male	63.0%	74.6%	85.3%	77.5%	73.2%			
Percent White	51.9%	49.3%	73.6%	45.0%	51.2%			
Percent Black	48.2%	50.7%	26.4%	55.0%	48.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	1.4%	11.8%	5.0%	12.2%			
Other Assaults	351	355	248	254	194			
Percent Male	67.8%	63.1%	64.1%	58.7%	61.9%			
Percent White	52.1%	46.8%	52.0%	51.9%	43.3%			
Percent Black	47.0%	53.0%	46.7%	47.6%	56.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.1%	4.2%	5.6%	5.5%	7.2%			

Table 41: SC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

#### **Delaware Serious Property Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Serious Property Offenses were slightly lower (about 1%) in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft - were all different. The number of Larceny offenses was virtually unchanged compared to 2008. Burglary experienced an increase of around 9% during this period, while Motor Vehicle Theft decreased substantially, by about 39%. Of special note:

- While the number of Larceny offenses was virtually unchanged:
  - Shoplifting offenses increased by nearly one-third compared to 2008.
  - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories declined by around 43%.

For all Serious Property Offense crimes, less than half of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. However, offenses for all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 42-48 and Figure 18 provide detailed information about Statewide Serious Property Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 18: Delaware Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 2							
		Final Figures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
All Serious Property Offenses	32,946	31,479	33,036	32,823	32,234		
Percent Cleared	24.7%	27.4%	24.7%	27.3%	28.7%		
Arson	364	311	301	292	226		
Percent Cleared	28.0%	30.9%	26.6%	22.9%	29.6%		
Structure	173	165	138	134	109		
Percent Cleared	35.3%	40.0%	29.0%	32.1%	39.4%		
Mobile	84	67	61	54	57		
Percent Cleared	16.7%	16.4%	16.4%	9.3%	12.3%		
Other	107	79	102	104	60		
Percent Cleared	25.2%	24.1%	29.4%	18.3%	28.3%		
Extortion/Blackmail	21	17	15	24	12		
Percent Cleared	76.2%	76.5%	66.7%	62.5%	41.7%		
Burglary	6,885	7,143	7,741	7,768	7,510		
Percent Cleared	22.3%	24.7%	19.2%	20.6%	21.3%		
Forcible Entry	3,246	3 <i>,</i> 405	3,775	3,795	3,526		
Percent Cleared	21.7%	23.6%	18.8%	19.8%	19.8%		
Unlawful Entry - No force	2,892	2,979	3,056	3,096	3,220		
Percent Cleared	24.9%	27.4%	21.9%	21.8%	24.5%		
Attempted Forcible Entry	747	759	910	877	764		
Percent Cleared	14.7%	18.6%	12.1%	19.7%	14.5%		

Table 42: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clea	rances – S	Serious P	roperty C	Offenses	(Continued)
		Final F		Preliminary	
					Figures
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Larceny/Theft	23,048	21,975	22,883	23,066	22,898
Percent Cleared	26.5%	29.4%	27.5%	30.4%	31.9%
Pocket Picking	41	45	27	34	24
Percent Cleared	19.5%	13.3%	18.5%	29.4%	25.0%
Purse Snatching	28	32	21	25	24
Percent Cleared	10.7%	15.6%	19.0%	20.0%	16.7%
Shoplifting	4,483	5,091	5,155	5,563	5,933
Percent Cleared	70.2%	73.0%	70.6%	72.1%	70.4%
Theft from Building	5,998	5,742	6,156	6,430	6,373
Percent Cleared	27.4%	29.4%	26.3%	27.0%	29.8%
From Coin Operated Machine	101	72	51	48	93
Percent Cleared	21.8%	16.7%	7.8%	10.4%	24.7%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	5,830	5,797	6,084	5,177	4,946
Percent Cleared	8.4%	8.0%	7.2%	9.1%	10.5%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	2,598	2,020	1,723	1,659	1,443
Percent Cleared	7.0%	6.0%	5.7%	7.0%	5.5%
Other	3,969	3,176	3,666	4,130	4,062
Percent Cleared	15.3%	14.0%	13.5%	15.7%	14.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2,628	2,033	2,096	1,673	1,588
Percent Cleared	14.8%	15.5%	13.8%	15.8%	17.3%
Autos	1,863	1,372	1,431	1,188	1,040
Percent Cleared	14.3%	14.0%	13.6%	16.9%	18.5%
Trucks and Buses	269	188	217	141	158
Percent Cleared	21.2%	25.0%	22.6%	22.0%	17.7%
Other Vehicles	496	473	448	344	390
Percent Cleared	13.1%	16.3%	10.5%	9.6%	13.8%

Table 42: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses... (continued)

Delaware Percentage Diff	ference in S	Serious Pro	operty Offe	enses Recei	ved 2008-2	2012	
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12	
All Serious Property Offenses	-4.45%	4.95%	-0.64%	-1.77%	-1.43%	-0.66%	
Arson	-14.56%	-3.22%	-2.99%	-22.34%	-35.06%	-27.27%	
Structure	-4.62%	-16.36%	-2.90%	-18.66%	-34.34%	-27.45%	
Mobile	-20.24%	-8.96%	-11.48%	7.55%	-28.75%	-11.28%	
Other	-26.17%	29.11%	1.96%	-42.31%	-41.18%	-37.66%	
Extortion/Blackmail	-19.05%	-11.76%	60.00%	-50.00%	-42.86%	-36.84%	
Burglary	3.75%	8.37%	0.35%	-3.28%	9.97%	2.31%	
Forcible Entry	4.90%	10.87%	0.53%	-7.33%	9.23%	-0.54%	
Unlawful Entry - No force	3.01%	2.58%	1.31%	4.68%	12.86%	8.37%	
Attempted Forcible Entry	1.61%	19.89%	-3.63%	-13.57%	2.14%	-7.31%	
Larceny/Theft	-4.66%	4.13%	0.80%	-0.65%	0.09%	1.02%	
Pocket Picking	9.76%	-40.00%	25.93%	-29.41%	-40.00%	-34.25%	
Purse Snatching	14.29%	-34.38%	19.05%	-4.00%	-14.29%	-9.43%	
Shoplifting	13.56%	1.26%	7.91%	6.75%	33.06%	17.39%	
Theft from Building	-4.27%	7.21%	4.45%	-1.06%	7.20%	5.14%	
From Coin Operated Machine	-28.71%	-29.17%	-5.88%	93.75%	-7.00%	37.27%	
Theft from Motor Vehicle	-0.57%	4.95%	-14.91%	-3.79%	-14.50%	-13.25%	
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	-22.25%	-14.70%	-3.71%	-13.39%	-43.85%	-27.59%	
Other	-19.98%	15.43%	12.66%	-1.77%	2.81%	9.01%	
Motor Vehicle Theft	-22.64%	3.10%	-20.18%	-5.81%	-39.50%	-24.73%	
Autos	-26.36%	4.30%	-16.98%	-13.33%	-44.18%	-29.06%	
Trucks and Buses	-30.11%	15.43%	-35.02%	12.06%	-40.60%	-22.36%	
Other Vehicles	-4.64%	-5.29%	-23.21%	13.04%	-21.37%	-11.41%	

 Table 43: Delaware Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received 2008-2012

Crime Rates for Delaware Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012										
Delaware Population	875,301	885,024	897,934	904,436	919,962					
		Final	Rates		Preliminary Rate					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
Arson	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2					
Structure	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1					
Mobile	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Other	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Burglary	7.9	8.1	8.7	8.6	8.2					
Forcible Entry	3.7	3.8	4.2	4.2	3.8					
Unlawful Entry - No force	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5					
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8					
Larceny/Theft	26.3	24.8	25.6	25.5	24.9					
Pocket Picking	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1					
Shoplifting	5.1	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.4					
Theft from Building	6.9	6.5	6.9	7.1	6.9					
From Coin Operated Machine	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Theft from Motor Vehicle	6.7	6.6	6.8	5.7	5.4					
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	3.0	2.3	1.9	1.8	1.6					
Other	4.5	3.6	4.1	4.6	4.4					
Motor Vehicle Theft	3.0	2.3	2.3	1.8	1.7					
Autos	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.1					
Trucks and Buses	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2					
Other Vehicles	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4					

Table 44: Crime Rates for Delaware Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People 08-12

# **Delaware Serious Property Offense Arrests**

Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses								
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary			
					Counts			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	33	33	31	36	25			
Structure	15	12	21	17	15			
Mobile	13	11	5	10	1			
Other	5	10	5	9	9			
Extortion/Blackmail	2	8	5	5	8			
Burglary	771	853	950	931	971			
Forcible Entry	403	408	502	441	463			
Unlawful Entry - No force	333	393	402	440	438			
Attempted Forcible Entry	35	52	46	50	70			
Larceny/Theft	3,798	4,223	4,809	4,884	5,435			
Pocket Picking	2	4	1	4	8			
Purse Snatching	0	0	3	0	3			
Shoplifting	2,534	2,830	3,482	3,457	3,814			
Theft from Building	786	797	872	900	927			
From Coin Operated Machine	7	11	7	8	4			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	161	189	195	204	205			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	71	75	66	49	52			
Other	237	317	183	262	422			
Motor Vehicle Theft	111	143	94	78	96			
Autos	72	92	59	53	72			
Trucks and Buses	17	31	17	12	14			
Other Vehicles	22	20	18	13	10			

Table 45: Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final F	igures		Preliminary			
			1		Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	33	31	36	25	15			
Percent Male	84.8%	83.9%	91.7%	92.0%	73.3%			
Percent White	75.8%	61.3%	72.2%	84.0%	66.7%			
Percent Black	24.2%	38.8%	25.0%	16.0%	33.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.0%	3.2%	8.3%	0.0%	13.3%			
Extortion/Blackmail	8	5	5	8	2			
Percent Male	62.5%	80.0%	60.0%	62.5%	100.0%			
Percent White	62.5%	20.0%	100.0%	62.5%	50.0%			
Percent Black	37.5%	80.0%	0.0%	37.5%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%			
Burglary	853	950	931	971	1034			
Percent Male	86.3%	87.3%	86.5%	86.5%	85.3%			
Percent White	69.7%	67.4%	68.1%	73.9%	71.0%			
Percent Black	30.2%	32.3%	31.3%	26.0%	28.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.9%	1.6%	3.0%	2.7%	2.6%			
Larceny/Theft	4224	4809	4884	5435	5773			
Percent Male	57.4%	51.0%	53.5%	52.7%	55.0%			
Percent White	58.0%	58.7%	59.9%	58.0%	61.5%			
Percent Black	41.5%	40.9%	39.7%	41.3%	38.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.7%	4.1%	3.3%	2.7%	2.4%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	143	94	78	96	111			
Percent Male	86.7%	79.8%	88.5%	84.4%	83.8%			
Percent White	56.0%	57.5%	56.4%	60.4%	54.0%			
Percent Black	44.1%	41.4%	42.3%	39.6%	45.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.8%	5.3%	1.3%	1.0%	2.7%			

Table 46: Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-12, by Demographics

	Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses							
			Preliminary Counts					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	39	31	14	18	20			
Structure	24	17	9	6	10			
Mobile	1	2	2	2	0			
Other	14	12	3	10	10			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Burglary	317	292	294	184	224			
Forcible Entry	136	133	129	80	107			
Unlawful Entry - No force	160	136	144	81	96			
Attempted Forcible Entry	21	23	21	23	21			
Larceny/Theft	1,263	1,298	1,033	1,026	874			
Pocket Picking	1	1	1	0	1			
Purse Snatching	0	0	1	1	1			
Shoplifting	933	997	785	791	632			
Theft from Building	204	179	128	123	150			
From Coin Operated Machine	2	0	0	2	0			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	43	56	72	51	58			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	11	12	2	1	5			
Other	69	53	44	57	27			
Motor Vehicle Theft	39	45	45	36	32			
Autos	29	25	33	28	19			
Trucks and Buses	3	6	2	2	5			
Other Vehicles	7	14	10	6	8			

Table 47: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses by Gender, Race, and I Final Figures							
		rinai rigures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	Figures 2012		
Arson	39	31	14	18	20		
Percent Male	79.5%	87.1%	100.0%	100.0%	95.0%		
Percent White	76.9%	67.8%	92.9%	83.3%	70.0%		
Percent Black	17.9%	29.1%	7.1%	11.1%	30.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.3%	6.5%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%		
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0		
Percent Male	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Black	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Burglary	317	292	294	184	224		
Percent Male	94.6%	90.1%	92.9%	92.9%	85.7%		
Percent White	53.3%	43.5%	47.6%	51.1%	46.4%		
Percent Black	46.0%	56.5%	52.3%	48.4%	52.2%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.3%	4.1%	6.5%	4.9%	8.4%		
Larceny/Theft	1,263	1,298	1,033	1,026	874		
Percent Male	48.1%	48.5%	54.6%	54.8%	60.2%		
Percent White	46.3%	41.5%	42.9%	41.5%	37.2%		
Percent Black	52.7%	57.9%	56.5%	58.2%	62.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.9%	5.8%	8.2%	4.8%	6.2%		
Motor Vehicle Theft	39	45	45	36	32		
Percent Male	87.2%	77.8%	91.1%	88.9%	87.5%		
Percent White	23.0%	44.5%	22.2%	38.9%	21.9%		
Percent Black	76.9%	55.6%	77.7%	58.3%	78.2%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.6%	2.2%	6.7%	8.3%	9.4%		

Table 48: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-12 by Demographics

#### New Castle County Serious Property Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were about 7% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft - varied somewhat. The number of Larceny and Motor Vehicle Theft offenses decreased 8% and 41% compared to 2008. Burglary experienced an increase of around 13% during this period. Of special note:

- Larceny-Shoplifting offenses increased by about 16% compared to 2008.
- Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories declined by more than 45%.

For all Serious Property Offense crimes, less than one-third of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. However, offenses for all crimes within this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 49-55 and Figure 19 provide detailed information about New Castle County Serious Property Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 19: New Castle County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

New Castle County Serious	New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses					
		Final Figures				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
All Serious Property Offenses	20,644	18,835	19,806	18,746	18,888	
Percent Cleared	20.4%	23.9%	21.4%	22.9%	24.2%	
Arson	196	167	178	124	124	
Percent Cleared	30.6%	28.1%	24.2%	16.9%	27.4%	
Structure	93	84	69	49	64	
Percent Cleared	41.9%	36.9%	23.2%	28.6%	39.1%	
Mobile	57	54	46	37	35	
Percent Cleared	14.0%	18.5%	10.9%	5.4%	11.4%	
Other	46	29	63	38	25	
Percent Cleared	28.3%	20.7%	34.9%	13.2%	20.0%	
Extortion/Blackmail	2	8	3	11	6	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	62.5%	66.7%	45.5%	16.7%	
Burglary	3,950	3,861	4,381	4,281	4,416	
Percent Cleared	17.5%	20.8%	15.6%	17.1%	18.0%	
Forcible Entry	1,877	1,821	2,147	2,051	2,105	
Percent Cleared	16.9%	20.4%	15.5%	16.1%	16.6%	
Unlawful Entry - No force	1,541	1,532	1,618	1,648	1,742	
Percent Cleared	19.9%	22.4%	17.7%	18.6%	21.3%	
Attempted Forcible Entry	532	508	616	582	569	
Percent Cleared	13.0%	17.3%	10.6%	16.3%	12.8%	

Table 49: New Castle Cnty Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 08-12

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (Continued)						
		Final F	igures		Preliminary	
		1		1	Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Larceny/Theft	14,630	13,360	13,760	13,144	13,245	
Percent Cleared	22.4%	26.1%	24.5%	25.8%	27.1%	
Pocket Picking	26	26	15	21	19	
Percent Cleared	19.2%	15.4%	20.0%	23.8%	26.3%	
Purse Snatching	16	26	14	13	16	
Percent Cleared	12.5%	15.4%	21.4%	30.8%	12.5%	
Shoplifting	2,755	2,874	2,913	3,004	3,195	
Percent Cleared	68.5%	71.1%	69.9%	69.3%	66.9%	
Theft from Building	3,614	3 <i>,</i> 407	3,641	3,668	3,638	
Percent Cleared	24.0%	25.6%	22.9%	22.1%	24.4%	
From Coin Operated Machine	28	24	25	18	57	
Percent Cleared	17.9%	12.5%	4.0%	11.1%	21.1%	
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4,399	4,247	4,323	3,336	3,364	
Percent Cleared	4.5%	7.0%	5.2%	6.1%	7.0%	
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	2,002	1,343	1,160	1,213	1,035	
Percent Cleared	4.1%	4.8%	4.6%	5.7%	4.5%	
Other	1,790	1,413	1,669	1,871	1,921	
Percent Cleared	12.6%	14.2%	12.9%	11.7%	13.4%	
Motor Vehicle Theft	1,866	1,439	1,484	1,186	1,097	
Percent Cleared	10.1%	11.3%	10.0%	11.8%	13.8%	
Autos	1,485	1,135	1,172	932	830	
Percent Cleared	10.3%	10.4%	10.2%	12.1%	13.7%	
Trucks and Buses	159	114	124	85	96	
Percent Cleared	10.7%	21.9%	12.1%	15.3%	14.6%	
Other Vehicles	222	190	188	169	171	
Percent Cleared	8.1%	10.0%	6.9%	8.3%	13.5%	

Table 49: New Castle... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (cont.)

New Castle County Perce	entage Diff	erence in S	Serious Pro	operty Offe	nses Receiv	ved	
	Final Differences			Preliminary Differences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12	
All Serious Property Offenses	-8.76%	5.16%	-5.35%	0.75%	-7.62%	-2.75%	
Arson	-14.80%	6.59%	-30.34%	0.81%	-31.87%	-22.98%	
Structure	-9.68%	-17.86%	-28.99%	30.61%	-26.44%	-11.11%	
Mobile	-5.26%	-14.81%	-19.57%	-2.78%	-33.96%	-24.32%	
Other	-36.96%	117.24%	-39.68%	-34.21%	-40.48%	-41.52%	
Extortion/Blackmail	300.00%	-62.50%	266.67%	-45.45%	200.00%	4.35%	
Burglary	-2.25%	13.47%	-2.28%	3.01%	12.97%	7.64%	
Forcible Entry	-2.98%	17.90%	-4.47%	1.94%	12.93%	6.80%	
Unlawful Entry - No force	-0.58%	5.61%	1.85%	6.81%	14.91%	10.83%	
Attempted Forcible Entry	-4.51%	21.26%	-5.52%	-3.72%	7.56%	1.61%	
Larceny/Theft	-8.68%	2.99%	-4.48%	0.91%	-8.59%	-3.01%	
Pocket Picking	0.00%	-42.31%	40.00%	-9.52%	-26.92%	-12.64%	
Purse Snatching	62.50%	-46.15%	-7.14%	23.08%	0.00%	-7.25%	
Shoplifting	4.32%	1.36%	3.12%	6.43%	16.78%	11.08%	
Theft from Building	-5.73%	6.87%	0.74%	-1.03%	1.82%	2.00%	
From Coin Operated Machine	-14.29%	4.17%	-28.00%	216.67%	103.57%	140.00%	
Theft from Motor Vehicle	-3.46%	1.79%	-22.83%	1.85%	-22.88%	-16.96%	
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	-32.92%	-13.63%	4.57%	-15.16%	-47.57%	-27.11%	
Other	-21.06%	18.12%	12.10%	2.56%	8.23%	14.38%	
Motor Vehicle Theft	-22.88%	3.13%	-20.08%	-8.66%	-41.15%	-26.72%	
Autos	-23.57%	3.26%	-20.48%	-12.08%	-44.07%	-29.85%	
Trucks and Buses	-28.30%	8.77%	-31.45%	12.94%	-39.24%	-20.33%	
Other Vehicles	-14.41%	-1.05%	-10.11%	-0.58%	-22.97%	-11.51%	

Table 50: New Castle Cnty Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received 08-12

Crime Rates for New Castle County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
New Castle County Population	535,007	538,936	542,818	546,643	547,059			
		Final	Rates		Preliminary Rate			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Structure	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Mobile	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Other	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Burglary	7.4	7.2	8.1	7.8	8.1			
Forcible Entry	3.5	3.4	4.0	3.8	3.8			
Unlawful Entry - No force	2.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.2			
Attempted Forcible Entry	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0			
Larceny/Theft	27.3	24.8	25.3	24.0	24.2			
Pocket Picking	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Shoplifting	5.1	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.8			
Theft from Building	6.8	6.3	6.7	6.7	6.7			
From Coin Operated Machine	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	8.2	7.9	8.0	6.1	6.1			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	3.7	2.5	2.1	2.2	1.9			
Other	3.3	2.6	3.1	3.4	3.5			
Motor Vehicle Theft	3.5	2.7	2.7	2.2	2.0			
Autos	2.8	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.5			
Trucks and Buses	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2			
Other Vehicles	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3			

Table 51: Crime Rates for NCC Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-12

# New Castle County Serious Property Offense Arrests

New Castle County Adult Arr	ests – Sei	rious Proj	perty Off	enses	
		Final (	Counts		Preliminary
					Counts
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Arson	23	19	21	9	5
Structure	10	11	8	6	1
Mobile	6	5	6	1	3
Other	7	3	7	2	1
Extortion/Blackmail	0	5	0	4	0
Burglary	362	405	391	416	474
Forcible Entry	178	216	202	210	212
Unlawful Entry - No force	150	158	159	172	221
Attempted Forcible Entry	34	31	30	34	41
Larceny/Theft	2,425	2,693	2,656	2,647	2,804
Pocket Picking	1	1	1	5	0
Purse Snatching	0	3	0	3	0
Shoplifting	1,753	1,963	1,924	1,962	2,036
Theft from Building	412	479	471	417	465
From Coin Operated Machine	3	3	1	2	8
Theft from Motor Vehicle	110	129	119	91	107
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	45	39	31	30	27
Other	101	76	109	137	161
Motor Vehicle Theft	58	45	31	43	49
Autos	41	36	27	32	38
Trucks and Buses	10	5	2	5	6
Other Vehicles	7	4	2	6	5

 Table 52: New Castle County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	23	19	21	9	5			
Percent Male	87.0%	84.2%	90.5%	88.9%	80.0%			
Percent White	73.9%	68.5%	76.2%	88.9%	60.0%			
Percent Black	26.1%	31.6%	19.1%	11.1%	40.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.3%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	5	0	4	0			
Percent Male	N/A	80.0%	N/A	50.0%	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	20.0%	N/A	50.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	80.0%	N/A	50.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	N/A	25.0%	N/A			
Burglary	362	405	391	416	474			
Percent Male	86.5%	86.4%	86.7%	89.2%	86.7%			
Percent White	63.5%	63.2%	60.9%	62.7%	64.1%			
Percent Black	36.4%	36.6%	38.4%	37.0%	35.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.1%	2.7%	6.1%	3.9%	3.8%			
Larceny/Theft	2,425	2,693	2,656	2,647	2,804			
Percent Male	56.8%	51.9%	53.7%	52.6%	55.2%			
Percent White	58.3%	58.3%	58.9%	55.0%	67.7%			
Percent Black	41.1%	41.1%	40.7%	44.4%	41.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.2%	5.8%	4.3%	3.2%	3.0%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	58	45	31	43	49			
Percent Male	86.2%	75.6%	80.6%	88.4%	87.8%			
Percent White	48.3%	51.1%	48.4%	58.1%	46.9%			
Percent Black	51.7%	46.6%	51.7%	41.8%	21.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.2%	4.4%	3.2%	2.3%	2.0%			

Table 53: NCC Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, b	by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 08-12
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New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses							
			Preliminary Counts				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Arson	21	14	4	7	4		
Structure	15	6	2	5	4		
Mobile	0	2	0	0	0		
Other	6	6	2	2	0		
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0		
Burglary	136	143	144	103	123		
Forcible Entry	48	63	61	40	53		
Unlawful Entry - No force	71	62	67	44	51		
Attempted Forcible Entry	17	18	16	19	19		
Larceny/Theft	627	610	554	509	450		
Pocket Picking	0	0	0	0	1		
Purse Snatching	0	0	1	0	1		
Shoplifting	500	473	434	410	331		
Theft from Building	78	76	65	56	73		
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	0	0	0		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	15	34	31	25	25		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	10	3	0	0	3		
Other	24	24	23	18	16		
Motor Vehicle Theft	20	20	32	26	24		
Autos	17	15	27	22	14		
Trucks and Buses	0	1	2	0	5		
Other Vehicles	3	4	3	4	5		

Table 54: New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	21	14	4	7	4			
Percent Male	66.7%	85.7%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	85.7%	50.0%	100.0%	71.4%	50.0%			
Percent Black	14.3%	42.9%	0.0%	14.3%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	14.3%	7.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Burglary	136	143	144	103	123			
Percent Male	90.4%	90.9%	94.4%	94.2%	87.0%			
Percent White	47.1%	41.3%	41.0%	47.6%	32.5%			
Percent Black	52.2%	58.7%	59.0%	52.4%	65.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.1%	6.3%	10.4%	7.8%	10.5%			
Larceny/Theft	627	610	554	509	450			
Percent Male	41.3%	47.0%	54.5%	52.3%	54.2%			
Percent White	45.3%	35.0%	39.0%	34.6%	36.5%			
Percent Black	53.5%	64.6%	60.5%	64.8%	62.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.7%	6.4%	11.4%	5.9%	8.0%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	20	20	32	26	24			
Percent Male	95.0%	100.0%	93.8%	84.6%	87.5%			
Percent White	10.0%	15.0%	3.1%	38.4%	29.1%			
Percent Black	90.0%	85.0%	96.9%	57.7%	70.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.0%	0.0%	3.1%	11.5%	8.3%			

Table 55: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

#### Kent County Serious Property Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were about 14% higher in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft - varied somewhat. The number of Larceny and Burglary offenses experienced increases of around 23% and 5% from 2008 to 2012. Motor Vehicle Theft offenses decreased 39% compared to 2008. Of special note:

- Larceny-Shoplifting offenses increased overwhelmingly by about 81% compared to 2008.
- Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories declined by more than 39%.

For all Serious Property Offense crimes, less than half of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Offenses for all crimes within this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 56-62 and Figure 20 provide detailed information about Kent County Serious Property Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 20: Kent County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Kent County Serious Offenses	Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses						
		Final	Figures		Preliminary		
		1	1	n	Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
All Serious Property Offenses	5,750	6,094	6,046	6,425	6,584		
Percent Cleared	35.8%	37.2%	33.6%	36.0%	38.2%		
Arson	94	84	81	87	64		
Percent Cleared	26.6%	34.5%	24.7%	21.8%	29.7%		
Structure	34	38	40	33	28		
Percent Cleared	35.3%	47.4%	27.5%	30.3%	39.3%		
Mobile	14	7	9	6	13		
Percent Cleared	21.4%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	7.7%		
Other	46	39	32	48	23		
Percent Cleared	21.7%	28.2%	18.8%	18.8%	30.4%		
Extortion/Blackmail	7	3	3	4	3		
Percent Cleared	85.7%	66.7%	100.0%	75.0%	33.3%		
Burglary	1,164	1,365	1,169	1,164	1,224		
Percent Cleared	33.0%	37.5%	30.5%	28.1%	28.6%		
Forcible Entry	552	652	579	555	562		
Percent Cleared	33.0%	37.7%	32.5%	28.3%	27.6%		
Unlawful Entry - No force	524	629	518	534	588		
Percent Cleared	35.5%	38.0%	28.6%	27.5%	30.4%		
Attempted Forcible Entry	88	84	72	75	74		
Percent Cleared	18.2%	32.1%	29.2%	30.7%	21.6%		

Table 56: Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses							
		Preliminary					
		Figures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Larceny/Theft	4,081	4,348	4,466	4,932	5,046		
Percent Cleared	37.5%	37.8%	35.5%	38.6%	41.3%		
Pocket Picking	10	8	8	9	3		
Percent Cleared	20.0%	0.0%	12.5%	33.3%	0.0%		
Purse Snatching	7	5	5	9	7		
Percent Cleared	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	11.1%	28.6%		
Shoplifting	964	1,328	1,329	1,475	1,752		
Percent Cleared	76.1%	79.1%	73.3%	74.6%	75.2%		
Theft from Building	1,155	1,119	1,192	1,352	1,326		
Percent Cleared	30.2%	32.1%	28.1%	32.3%	34.6%		
From Coin Operated Machine	25	12	10	13	12		
Percent Cleared	36.0%	16.7%	0.0%	7.7%	0.0%		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	752	809	894	981	827		
Percent Cleared	26.9%	10.9%	14.3%	16.3%	15.5%		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	315	343	260	197	186		
Percent Cleared	23.5%	9.9%	8.1%	13.7%	7.5%		
Other	853	724	768	896	933		
Percent Cleared	18.9%	15.1%	16.1%	19.5%	17.8%		
Motor Vehicle Theft	404	294	327	238	247		
Percent Cleared	28.5%	27.6%	20.2%	26.1%	24.3%		
Autos	227	127	144	129	121		
Percent Cleared	30.0%	33.9%	25.0%	34.9%	34.7%		
Trucks and Buses	55	34	37	27	30		
Percent Cleared	34.5%	38.2%	35.1%	25.9%	23.3%		
Other Vehicles	122	133	146	82	96		
Percent Cleared	23.0%	18.8%	11.6%	12.2%	11.5%		

Table 56: Kent... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012 (cont.)

Kent County Percenta	Kent County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received								
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences					
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12			
All Serious Property Offenses	5.98%	-0.79%	6.27%	2.47%	14.66%	8.49%			
Arson	-10.64%	-3.57%	7.41%	-26.44%	-31.18%	-25.36%			
Structure	11.76%	5.26%	-17.50%	-15.15%	-15.15%	-21.68%			
Mobile	-50.00%	28.57%	-33.33%	116.67%	-7.14%	44.44%			
Other	-15.22%	-17.95%	50.00%	-52.08%	-50.00%	-43.90%			
Extortion/Blackmail	-57.14%	0.00%	33.33%	-25.00%	-57.14%	-29.41%			
Burglary	17.27%	-14.36%	-0.43%	5.52%	5.25%	2.06%			
Forcible Entry	18.12%	-11.20%	-4.15%	1.81%	1.44%	-3.15%			
Unlawful Entry - No force	20.04%	-17.65%	3.09%	10.32%	12.86%	9.09%			
Attempted Forcible Entry	-4.55%	-14.29%	4.17%	-1.33%	-15.91%	-7.50%			
Larceny/Theft	6.54%	2.71%	10.43%	2.23%	23.89%	13.07%			
Pocket Picking	-20.00%	0.00%	12.50%	-66.67%	-66.67%	-65.71%			
Purse Snatching	-28.57%	0.00%	80.00%	-22.22%	0.00%	7.69%			
Shoplifting	37.76%	0.08%	10.99%	18.86%	81.74%	37.71%			
Theft from Building	-3.12%	6.52%	13.42%	-2.14%	15.20%	10.16%			
From Coin Operated Machine	-52.00%	-16.67%	30.00%	-7.69%	-47.83%	-17.24%			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	7.58%	10.51%	9.73%	-15.61%	10.27%	-4.53%			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	8.89%	-24.20%	-24.23%	-6.06%	-40.76%	-33.69%			
Other	-15.12%	6.08%	16.67%	3.90%	9.12%	15.15%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	-27.23%	11.22%	-27.22%	3.78%	-39.16%	-21.96%			
Autos	-44.05%	13.39%	-10.42%	-6.92%	-46.93%	-23.17%			
Trucks and Buses	-38.18%	8.82%	-27.03%	11.11%	-46.43%	-22.08%			
Other Vehicles	9.02%	9.77%	-43.84%	18.52%	-21.31%	-20.33%			

Table 57: Kent County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received 2008-2012

Crime Rates for Kent County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Kent County Population	152,980	155,231	157,503	159,795	167,103				
		Final	Rates		Preliminary Rate				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Arson	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4				
Structure	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2				
Mobile	0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1				
Other	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1				
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Burglary	7.6	8.8	7.4	7.3	7.3				
Forcible Entry	3.6	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.4				
Unlawful Entry - No force	3.4	4.1	3.3	3.3	3.5				
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4				
Larceny/Theft	26.7	28.0	28.4	30.9	30.2				
Pocket Picking	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1				
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1				
Shoplifting	6.3	8.6	8.4	9.2	10.5				
Theft from Building	7.6	7.2	7.6	8.5	7.9				
From Coin Operated Machine	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4.9	5.2	5.7	6.1	4.9				
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.2	1.1				
Other	5.6	4.7	4.9	5.6	5.6				
Motor Vehicle Theft	2.6	1.9	2.1	1.5	1.5				
Autos	1.5	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7				
Trucks and Buses	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2				
Other Vehicles	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.6				

 Table 58: Crime Rates for Kent County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People

# Kent County Serious Property Offense Arrests

Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses							
		Preliminary Counts					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Arson	8	5	10	10	7		
Structure	1	3	6	3	2		
Mobile	4	0	3	0	3		
Other	3	2	1	7	2		
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	3	2	0		
Burglary	218	239	240	205	232		
Forcible Entry	96	129	117	111	110		
Unlawful Entry - No force	111	105	116	82	112		
Attempted Forcible Entry	11	5	7	12	10		
Larceny/Theft	995	1,261	1,220	1,493	1,726		
Pocket Picking	3	0	3	3	0		
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	1		
Shoplifting	657	977	910	1,055	1,288		
Theft from Building	178	169	191	246	266		
From Coin Operated Machine	4	3	2	1	0		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	49	43	45	69	54		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	12	18	9	9	13		
Other	92	51	60	110	104		
Motor Vehicle Theft	51	31	18	26	26		
Autos	33	17	8	21	21		
Trucks and Buses	8	8	4	4	2		
Other Vehicles	10	6	6	1	3		

 Table 59: Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-12, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	8	5	10	10	7			
Percent Male	75.0%	100.0%	100.0%	90.0%	57.1%			
Percent White	75.0%	40.0%	70.0%	70.0%	57.1%			
Percent Black	25.0%	60.0%	30.0%	30.0%	42.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	3	2	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	33.3%	100.0%	N/A			
Percent White	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	50.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A			
Burglary	218	239	240	205	232			
Percent Male	89.0%	88.7%	87.5%	88.3%	87.1%			
Percent White	71.2%	62.3%	71.3%	76.1%	71.6%			
Percent Black	28.9%	37.7%	28.3%	24.0%	28.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	2.0%	0.9%			
Larceny/Theft	995	1,261	1,220	1,493	1,726			
Percent Male	54.3%	47.5%	50.0%	51.0%	53.6%			
Percent White	50.1%	51.4%	50.2%	52.7%	59.5%			
Percent Black	49.5%	48.3%	49.5%	46.9%	40.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.2%	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%	1.5%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	51	31	18	26	26			
Percent Male	86.3%	80.6%	94.4%	73.1%	73.1%			
Percent White	60.8%	51.7%	72.3%	73.1%	65.4%			
Percent Black	39.7%	48.4%	27.8%	26.9%	34.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			

Table 60: Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juvenile Arres	Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses						
	Final Counts				Preliminary Counts		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Arson	13	13	4	6	8		
Structure	7	7	4	1	3		
Mobile	0	0	0	0	0		
Other	6	6	0	5	5		
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0		
Burglary	79	73	82	28	33		
Forcible Entry	44	33	47	17	16		
Unlawful Entry - No force	34	37	32	10	16		
Attempted Forcible Entry	1	3	3	1	1		
Larceny/Theft	335	424	294	267	274		
Pocket Picking	1	0	0	0	0		
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	1	0		
Shoplifting	249	341	226	188	206		
Theft from Building	48	49	28	36	43		
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	0	0	0		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	18	10	34	22	19		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	1	7	0	1	1		
Other	18	17	6	19	5		
Motor Vehicle Theft	11	10	8	2	7		
Autos	8	3	4	1	5		
Trucks and Buses	3	5	0	0	0		
Other Vehicles	0	2	4	1	2		

Table 61: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-12, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	13	13	4	6	8			
Percent Male	100.0%	84.6%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	76.9%	84.6%	100.0%	83.3%	50.0%			
Percent Black	23.1%	15.4%	0.0%	16.7%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Burglary	79	73	82	28	33			
Percent Male	96.2%	94.5%	89.0%	96.4%	69.7%			
Percent White	46.8%	37.0%	57.4%	60.7%	51.6%			
Percent Black	53.2%	63.0%	42.7%	39.3%	48.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%			
Larceny/Theft	335	424	294	267	274			
Percent Male	49.6%	46.7%	53.7%	61.4%	65.3%			
Percent White	37.6%	40.3%	40.8%	41.5%	35.4%			
Percent Black	61.5%	58.7%	58.5%	58.4%	64.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.1%	4.8%	4.8%	2.6%	4.8%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	11	10	8	2	7			
Percent Male	72.7%	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%	85.7%			
Percent White	27.3%	50.0%	62.5%	50.0%	0.0%			
Percent Black	72.7%	50.0%	37.5%	50.0%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	14.3%			

#### **Sussex County Serious Property Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were slightly higher (about 3%) in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft – varied somewhat. The number of Larceny and Burglary offenses both experienced increases of around 6% from 2008 to 2012. Motor Vehicle Theft offenses decreased 31% compared to 2008. Of special note:

- Larceny-Shoplifting offenses increased by about 29% compared to 2008.
- Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories declined by more than 30%.

For most Serious Property Offense crimes, less than half of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. However offenses for all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 63-69 and Figure 21 provide detailed information about Sussex County Serious Property Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 21: Sussex County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses						
		Final Figures				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
All Serious Property Offenses	6,552	6,550	7,184	7,652	6,762	
Percent Cleared	28.5%	28.5%	26.4%	30.6%	32.1%	
Arson	74	60	42	81	38	
Percent Cleared	23.0%	33.3%	40.5%	33.3%	36.8%	
Structure	46	43	29	52	17	
Percent Cleared	21.7%	39.5%	44.8%	36.5%	41.2%	
Mobile	13	6	6	11	9	
Percent Cleared	23.1%	16.7%	33.3%	27.3%	22.2%	
Other	15	11	7	18	12	
Percent Cleared	26.7%	18.2%	28.6%	27.8%	41.7%	
Extortion/Blackmail	12	6	9	9	3	
Percent Cleared	66.7%	100.0%	55.6%	77.8%	100.0%	
Burglary	1,771	1,917	2,191	2,323	1,870	
Percent Cleared	25.7%	23.3%	20.5%	23.3%	24.2%	
Forcible Entry	817	932	1049	1189	859	
Percent Cleared	25.0%	20.0%	18.2%	22.3%	22.5%	
Unlawful Entry - No force	827	818	920	914	890	
Percent Cleared	27.3%	28.7%	25.4%	24.2%	26.7%	
Attempted Forcible Entry	127	167	222	220	121	
Percent Cleared	19.7%	15.6%	10.8%	25.0%	18.2%	

Table 63: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses 2008-12

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (Continued)						
	Final Figures					
					Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Larceny/Theft	4,337	4,267	4,657	4,990	4,607	
Percent Cleared	30.0%	31.0%	28.9%	34.1%	35.6%	
Pocket Picking	5	11	4	4	2	
Percent Cleared	20.0%	18.2%	25.0%	50.0%	50.0%	
Purse Snatching	5	1	2	3	1	
Percent Cleared	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Shoplifting	764	889	913	1,084	986	
Percent Cleared	68.7%	70.2%	68.8%	76.2%	73.3%	
Theft from Building	1,229	1,216	1,323	1,410	1,409	
Percent Cleared	34.9%	37.5%	33.8%	34.9%	38.9%	
From Coin Operated Machine	48	36	16	17	24	
Percent Cleared	16.7%	19.4%	18.8%	11.8%	45.8%	
Theft from Motor Vehicle	679	741	867	860	755	
Percent Cleared	13.5%	10.4%	10.1%	12.6%	20.8%	
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	281	334	303	249	222	
Percent Cleared	8.5%	6.9%	8.3%	8.0%	8.1%	
Other	1,326	1,039	1,229	1,363	1,208	
Percent Cleared	16.7%	13.0%	12.6%	18.6%	15.0%	
Motor Vehicle Theft	358	300	285	249	244	
Percent Cleared	23.7%	24.3%	26.7%	25.3%	25.8%	
Autos	151	110	115	127	89	
Percent Cleared	29.8%	28.2%	33.0%	33.9%	40.4%	
Trucks and Buses	55	40	56	29	32	
Percent Cleared	38.2%	22.5%	37.5%	37.9%	21.9%	
Other Vehicles	152	150	114	93	123	
Percent Cleared	12.5%	22.0%	14.9%	9.7%	16.3%	

Table 63: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (cont.)
Sussex County Percent	tage Differ	ence in Ser	ious Prope	erty Offens	es Received	ł
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12
All Serious Property Offenses	-0.03%	9.68%	6.51%	-11.50%	3.84%	-2.78%
Arson	-18.92%	-30.00%	92.86%	-53.09%	-47.95%	-40.63%
Structure	-6.52%	-32.56%	79.31%	-67.31%	-63.04%	-60.00%
Mobile	-53.85%	0.00%	83.33%	-18.18%	-30.77%	0.00%
Other	-26.67%	-36.36%	157.14%	-33.33%	-14.29%	-4.00%
Extortion/Blackmail	-50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	-66.67%	-75.00%	-66.67%
Burglary	8.24%	14.29%	6.02%	-19.33%	6.43%	-8.28%
Forcible Entry	14.08%	12.55%	13.35%	-27.69%	6.05%	-13.58%
Unlawful Entry - No force	-1.09%	12.47%	-0.65%	-2.41%	9.07%	3.43%
Attempted Forcible Entry	31.50%	32.93%	-0.90%	-44.50%	-7.63%	-34.33%
Larceny/Theft	-1.61%	9.14%	7.15%	-7.60%	6.77%	1.31%
Pocket Picking	120.00%	-63.64%	0.00%	-50.00%	-60.00%	-66.67%
Purse Snatching	-80.00%	100.00%	50.00%	-66.67%	-80.00%	-63.64%
Shoplifting	16.36%	2.70%	18.73%	-8.87%	29.91%	8.86%
Theft from Building	-1.06%	8.80%	6.58%	-0.07%	15.40%	9.14%
From Coin Operated Machine	-25.00%	-55.56%	6.25%	41.18%	-51.02%	-18.64%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	9.13%	17.00%	-0.81%	-12.00%	12.18%	-3.67%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	18.86%	-9.28%	-17.82%	-10.48%	-21.28%	-24.04%
Other	-21.64%	18.29%	10.90%	-11.44%	-8.55%	-2.30%
Motor Vehicle Theft	-16.20%	-5.00%	-12.63%	-1.21%	-31.27%	-17.64%
Autos	-27.15%	4.55%	10.43%	-29.37%	-41.06%	-28.94%
Trucks and Buses	-27.27%	40.00%	-48.21%	10.34%	-38.46%	-28.09%
Other Vehicles	-1.32%	-24.00%	-18.42%	33.70%	-19.08%	-2.77%

Table 64: Sussex County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received 2008-12

Crime Rates for Sussex County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Sussex County Population	187,314	190,857	194,422	197,998	205,800				
		Final Rates							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Arson	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2				
Structure	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1				
Mobile	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1				
Other	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1				
Extortion/Blackmail	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Burglary	9.5	10.0	11.3	11.7	9.1				
Forcible Entry	4.4	4.9	5.4	6.0	4.2				
Unlawful Entry - No force	4.4	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.3				
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.6				
Larceny/Theft	23.2	22.4	24.0	25.2	22.4				
Pocket Picking	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Shoplifting	4.1	4.7	4.7	5.5	4.8				
Theft from Building	6.6	6.4	6.8	7.1	6.8				
From Coin Operated Machine	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Theft from Motor Vehicle	3.6	3.9	4.5	4.3	3.7				
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	1.5	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.1				
Other	7.1	5.4	6.3	6.9	5.9				
Motor Vehicle Theft	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2				
Autos	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4				
Trucks and Buses	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2				
Other Vehicles	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.6				

Table 65: Crime Rates for Sussex... Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People 08-12

# **Sussex County Serious Property Offense Arrests**

Sussex County Adult Arrests	Sussex County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses									
		Final Counts								
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
Arson	2	7	5	6	3					
Structure	1	7	3	6	3					
Mobile	1	0	1	0	0					
Other	0	0	1	0	0					
Extortion/Blackmail	7	0	2	2	2					
Burglary	273	306	300	350	328					
Forcible Entry	134	157	122	142	139					
Unlawful Entry - No force	132	139	165	184	178					
Attempted Forcible Entry	7	10	13	24	11					
Larceny/Theft	803	855	1,008	1,295	1,243					
Pocket Picking	0	0	0	0	1					
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	0					
Shoplifting	420	542	623	797	728					
Theft from Building	207	224	238	264	323					
From Coin Operated Machine	4	1	5	1	4					
Theft from Motor Vehicle	30	23	40	45	58					
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	18	9	9	13	10					
Other	124	56	93	175	119					
Motor Vehicle Theft	34	18	29	27	36					
Autos	18	6	18	19	26					
Trucks and Buses	13	4	6	5	3					
Other Vehicles	3	8	5	3	7					

 Table 66: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	2	7	5	6	3			
Percent Male	100.0%	71.4%	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	100.0%	57.2%	60.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent Black	0.0%	42.9%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%			
Extortion/Blackmail	7	0	2	2	2			
Percent Male	57.1%	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	57.1%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%			
Percent Black	42.9%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Burglary	273	306	300	350	328			
Percent Male	83.9%	87.3%	85.3%	82.3%	82.0%			
Percent White	76.9%	76.8%	75.0%	86.0%	80.4%			
Percent Black	23.0%	22.5%	24.7%	14.0%	19.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.3%	1.0%	1.0%	1.7%	2.1%			
Larceny/Theft	803	855	1,008	1,295	1,243			
Percent Male	63.1%	53.2%	57.5%	55.1%	55.6%			
Percent White	67.1%	70.4%	74.2%	70.5%	72.8%			
Percent Black	32.4%	29.2%	25.4%	28.7%	27.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.1%	1.9%	2.2%	2.2%	2.4%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	34	18	29	27	36			
Percent Male	88.2%	88.9%	93.1%	88.9%	86.1%			
Percent White	61.7%	83.4%	55.2%	51.8%	55.5%			
Percent Black	38.2%	16.7%	41.4%	48.1%	44.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.9%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%			

Table 67: Sussex...Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses								
		Preliminary Counts						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	5	4	6	5	8			
Structure	2	4	3	0	3			
Mobile	1	0	2	2	0			
Other	2	0	1	3	5			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Burglary	102	76	68	53	68			
Forcible Entry	44	37	21	23	38			
Unlawful Entry - No force	55	37	45	27	29			
Attempted Forcible Entry	3	2	2	3	1			
Larceny/Theft	301	264	185	250	150			
Pocket Picking	0	1	1	0	0			
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	0			
Shoplifting	184	183	125	193	95			
Theft from Building	78	54	35	31	34			
From Coin Operated Machine	2	0	0	2	0			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	10	12	7	4	14			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0	2	2	0	1			
Other	27	12	15	20	6			
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	15	5	8	1			
Autos	4	7	2	5	0			
Trucks and Buses	0	0	0	2	0			
Other Vehicles	4	8	3	1	1			

Table 68: Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Arson	5	4	6	5	8			
Percent Male	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	87.5%			
Percent White	40.0%	75.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent Black	20.0%	25.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	37.5%			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Burglary	102	76	68	53	68			
Percent Male	99.0%	84.2%	94.1%	88.7%	91.2%			
Percent White	66.7%	53.9%	50.0%	52.8%	69.1%			
Percent Black	32.4%	46.1%	50.0%	45.3%	29.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.9%	3.9%	5.9%	1.9%	7.4%			
Larceny/Theft	301	264	185	250	150			
Percent Male	60.5%	54.9%	56.2%	52.8%	68.7%			
Percent White	57.8%	58.4%	58.4%	55.6%	42.7%			
Percent Black	41.5%	41.2%	41.1%	44.4%	56.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.0%	6.1%	4.3%	5.2%	3.4%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	15	5	8	1			
Percent Male	87.5%	46.7%	60.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	50.0%	80.0%	80.0%	37.5%	0.0%			
Percent Black	50.0%	20.0%	20.0%	62.5%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			

Table 69: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

## Delaware Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses were about 7% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the two crimes in this category of offenses mirrored that for the category.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. All Drug/Narcotic offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 70-74 and Figure 22 provide detailed information about Statewide Drug/Narcotic Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.

State Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012									
		Final		Preliminary Data					
	2008	2008 2009 2010 2011							
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	10,760	10,403	9,749	9,967	9,840				
Percent Cleared	95.5%	95.8%	96.2%	95.1%	95.8%				
Drug/Narcotic	6,223	6,079	5,717	5 <i>,</i> 875	5,708				
Percent Cleared	94.5%	94.8%	95.2%	93.5%	94.6%				
Drug Equipment	4,537	4,324	4,032	4,092	4,132				
Percent Cleared	96.8%	97.1%	97.7%	97.3%	97.5%				

#### Table 70: Statewide Drug and Narcotic Offenses and Clearances 2008-2012

#### Table 71: Percentage Difference in State Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012

Percentage Difference in State Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012										
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences				
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	Average 08-11 -12					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-3.32%	-6.29%	2.24%	-0.52%	-7.10%	-2.87%				
Drug/Narcotic	-2.31%	-5.95%	2.76%	-2.04%	-6.63%	-3.54%				
Drug Equipment	-4.69%	-6.75%	1.49%	1.67%	-7.75%	-1.92%				

Crime Rates for Delaware Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012										
Delaware Population	875,301	885,024	919,962							
		Final Rates Preliminary Rate								
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	12.3	11.8	10.9	11.0	10.7					
Drug/Narcotic	7.1	6.9	6.4	6.5	6.2					
Drug Equipment	5.2	4.9	4.5	4.5	4.5					

Table 72: Crime Rates for Delaware Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012

Figure 22: Delaware Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012



State Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	6,143	5,921	5,575	5,581	5,842				
Drug/Narcotic	5,250	5,126	4,894	4,778	5,021				
Percent Male	83.6%	83.9%	83.3%	82.4%	82.6%				
Percent White	45.6%	48.2%	47.5%	45.6%	49.4%				
Percent Black	54.2%	51.7%	52.3%	54.1%	50.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.1%	3.0%	3.2%	2.8%	2.8%				
Drug Equipment	893	795	681	803	821				
Percent Male	66.6%	66.4%	68.1%	71.0%	68.8%				
Percent White	63.0%	61.0%	69.1%	66.1%	70.3%				
Percent Black	36.8%	38.4%	30.7%	33.2%	28.5%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.4%	1.9%	2.5%	1.5%	1.7%				

Table 73 State Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

Table 74: State Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

State Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	762	719	633	558	554				
Drug/Narcotic	709	672	603	515	505				
Percent Male	84.1%	87.9%	86.4%	86.8%	83.6%				
Percent White	56.0%	55.6%	55.7%	54.9%	58.8%				
Percent Black	43.9%	43.9%	43.5%	44.3%	40.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.2%	4.0%	5.3%	6.8%	7.3%				
Drug Equipment	53	47	30	43	49				
Percent Male	79.2%	74.5%	90.0%	88.4%	75.5%				
Percent White	75.5%	76.6%	86.7%	69.7%	89.7%				
Percent Black	34.5%	23.4%	13.3%	30.2%	10.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	11.3%	2.1%	0.0%	4.7%	4.1%				

# New Castle County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county were about 13% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. Offenses related to use/possession declined by about 9%, while those related to the possession of drug equipment declined around 20%.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. All Drug/Narcotic offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 75-79 and Figure 23 provide detailed information about New Castle County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.

New Castle County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012								
		Final		Preliminary Data				
	2008	2009	2012					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	6,009	5,604	5,458	5,327	5,069			
Percent Cleared	95.8%	96.1%	95.9%	94.9%	95.6%			
Drug/Narcotic	3,681	3,506	3,476	3,424	3,255			
Percent Cleared	95.0%	95.5%	95.0%	93.5%	94.5%			
Drug Equipment	2,328	2,098	1,982	1,903	1,814			
Percent Cleared	97.1%	97.2%	97.5%	97.4%	97.6%			

#### Table 75: New Castle County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012

Table 76: Percentage Difference in New Castle (	County Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012
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Percentage Difference in New Castle County Drug Offenses Received								
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences		
	08-09 09-10 10-11			11 - 12	08 - 12	Average		
						08-11 -12		
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-6.74%	-2.61%	-2.40%	-3.72%	-13.81%	-8.34%		
Drug/Narcotic	-4.75%	-0.86%	-1.50%	-3.84%	-9.41%	-6.33%		
Drug Equipment	-9.88%	-5.53%	-3.99%	-3.51%	-20.72%	-11.73%		

Crime Rates for New Castle County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
New Castle County Population	535,007	35,007 538,936 542,818 546,643 54						
		Final	Preliminary Rate					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	11.2	10.4	10.1	9.7	9.3			
Drug/Narcotic	6.9	6.5	6.4	6.3	5.9			
Drug Equipment	4.4	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.3			

Table 77: Crime Rates for New Castle County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People





New Castle County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	3,723	3,511	3,328	3,281	3,298				
Drug/Narcotic	3,201	3,044	2,996	2,891	2,904				
Percent Male	85.3%	86.5%	85.1%	84.4%	84.3%				
Percent White	44.2%	46.3%	44.4%	40.5%	44.0%				
Percent Black	55.6%	55.5%	55.4%	59.1%	55.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.7%	4.1%	4.2%	3.5%	3.6%				
Drug Equipment	522	467	332	390	394				
Percent Male	62.3%	64.2%	64.8%	67.2%	68.5%				
Percent White	62.1%	57.2%	60.5%	58.2%	64.2%				
Percent Black	37.7%	41.9%	39.4%	40.3%	34.5%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.9%	2.3%	3.9%	2.3%	2.3%				

Table 78: New Castle County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics

Table 79: New Castle County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics

New Castle County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	444	422	364	312	290				
Drug/Narcotic	419	392	346	298	271				
Percent Male	87.8%	90.6%	86.7%	88.3%	83.8%				
Percent White	47.3%	50.0%	50.6%	48.3%	49.5%				
Percent Black	52.8%	49.4%	48.9%	50.7%	49.5%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.9%	4.6%	6.9%	9.4%	9.6%				
Drug Equipment	25	30	18	14	19				
Percent Male	76.0%	70.3%	94.4%	85.7%	73.7%				
Percent White	76.0%	80.0%	77.8%	71.4%	84.3%				
Percent Black	24.0%	20.0%	22.2%	28.6%	15.8%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	16.0%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	5.3%				

## Kent County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county were about 11% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the two crimes in this category of offenses mirrored that for the category.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. All Drug/Narcotic offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 80-84 and Figure 24 provide detailed information about Kent County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.

Kent County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012								
		Final		Preliminary				
					Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	2,466	2,352	2,048	2,197	2,175			
Percent Cleared	95.3%	95.4%	96.8%	96.1%	96.6%			
Drug/Narcotic	1,282	1,233	1,079	1,147	1,123			
Percent Cleared	93.7%	94.2%	95.7%	94.8%	96.0%			
Drug Equipment	1,184	1,119	969	1,050	1,052			
Percent Cleared	97.0%	96.8%	98.0%	97.5%	97.3%			

#### Table 80: Kent County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012

#### Table 81: Percentage Difference in Kent County Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012

Percentage Difference in Kent County Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012									
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average			
						08-11 -12			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-4.62%	-12.93%	7.28%	-0.78%	-11.15%	-3.78%			
Drug/Narcotic	-3.82%	-12.49%	6.30%	-1.84%	-11.78%	-5.05%			
Drug Equipment	-5.49%	-13.40%	8.36%	0.38%	-10.47%	-2.39%			

Crime Rates for Kent County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012								
Kent County Population	152,980	167,103						
		Final	Preliminary Rate					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	16.1	15.2	13.0	13.7	13.0			
Drug/Narcotic	8.4	7.9	6.9	7.2	6.7			
Drug Equipment	7.7	7.2	6.2	6.6	6.3			

Table 82: Crime Rates for Kent County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012





Kent County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	1,297	1,134	1,002	1,023	1,209				
Drug/Narcotic	1,121	992	891	879	1,070				
Percent Male	79.8%	79.7%	81.1%	78.6%	80.0%				
Percent White	43.3%	44.9%	43.4%	47.6%	51.8%				
Percent Black	56.5%	55.1%	56.1%	52.4%	48.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.5%	1.4%				
Drug Equipment	176	142	111	144	139				
Percent Male	66.5%	68.3%	64.0%	74.3%	66.9%				
Percent White	63.6%	53.5%	68.4%	68.7%	73.3%				
Percent Black	36.3%	46.5%	30.6%	30.6%	26.7%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.1%	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	1.4%				

Table 83: Kent County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

Table 84: Kent County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

Kent County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	129	143	142	118	116				
Drug/Narcotic	120	133	138	105	100				
Percent Male	76.7%	88.0%	85.5%	85.7%	89.0%				
Percent White	65.0%	51.9%	57.3%	57.2%	54.0%				
Percent Black	34.1%	48.2%	42.0%	42.8%	46.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.8%	4.5%	2.9%	1.0%	3.0%				
Drug Equipment	9	10	4	13	16				
Percent Male	77.8%	90.0%	100.0%	84.6%	75.0%				
Percent White	77.8%	80.0%	100.0%	46.2%	93.8%				
Percent Black	22.2%	20.0%	0.0%	53.8%	6.3%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				

## Sussex County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county were about 14% higher in 2012 when compared with 2008. Offenses related to use/possession increased by about 6%, while those related to the possession of drug equipment increased around 24%.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. All Drug/Narcotic offenses in 2012 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 85-89 and Figure 25 provide detailed information about Sussex County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.

Sussex County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012								
		Final		Preliminary				
					Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	2,285	2,447	2,243	2,443	2,596			
Percent Cleared	94.8%	95.2%	96.4%	94.6%	95.5%			
Drug/Narcotic	1,260	1,340	1,162	1,304	1,330			
Percent Cleared	93.8%	93.6%	95.1%	92.5%	93.7%			
Drug Equipment	1,025	1,107	1,081	1,139	1,266			
Percent Cleared	96.0%	97.1%	97.9%	97.1%	97.3%			

#### Table 85: Sussex County Drug Offenses and Clearances 2008 – 2012

#### Table 86: Percentage Difference in Sussex County Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012

Percentage Difference in Sussex County Drug Offenses Received 2008-2012									
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	Average 08-11 -12				
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	7.09%	-8.34%	8.92%	6.66%	14.71%	10.95%			
Drug/Narcotic	6.35%	-13.28%	12.22%	2.47%	6.66%	5.60%			
Drug Equipment	8.00%	-2.35%	5.37%	11.44%	24.61%	17.20%			

Crime Rates for Sussex County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People 2008-2012										
Sussex County Population	187,314	187,314 190,857 194,422 197,998								
	Final Rates Preliminary Rate									
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	12.2	12.8	11.5	12.3	12.6					
Drug/Narcotic	6.7	7.0	6.0	6.6	6.5					
Drug Equipment	5.5	5.8	5.6	5.8	6.2					

Table 87: Crime Rates for Sussex County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People

Figure 25: Sussex County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012



Sussex County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final Data							
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	1,123	1,276	1,245	1,277	1,335				
Drug/Narcotic	928	1,090	1,007	1,008	1,047				
Percent Male	82.5%	80.6%	79.8%	80.0%	80.5%				
Percent White	53.0%	61.8%	59.9%	58.4%	62.3%				
Percent Black	46.2%	37.9%	39.9%	41.0%	37.3%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.1%	1.8%	1.8%	2.0%	1.8%				
Drug Equipment	195	186	238	269	288				
Percent Male	78.5%	70.4%	74.8%	74.7%	70.1%				
Percent White	64.6%	76.3%	81.5%	76.2%	77.1%				
Percent Black	34.8%	23.6%	18.5%	23.1%	21.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.0%	2.2%	0.4%	1.1%	1.0%				

Table 88: Sussex County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

Table 89: Sussex County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012

Sussex County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics 2008 – 2012									
		Final	Data		Preliminary				
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	189	154	127	128	116				
Drug/Narcotic	170	147	119	112	100				
Percent Male	80.0%	81.0%	86.6%	83.9%	89.0%				
Percent White	71.2%	74.1%	68.9%	70.6%	54.0%				
Percent Black	28.8%	25.1%	29.5%	28.6%	46.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.4%	2.0%	3.4%	5.4%	3.0%				
Drug Equipment	19	7	8	16	16				
Percent Male	84.2%	71.4%	75.0%	93.8%	78.6%				
Percent White	73.7%	57.2%	100.0%	87.6%	92.8%				
Percent Black	26.3%	42.9%	0.0%	12.5%	7.1%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	7.1%				

## **Delaware Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances**

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses were around 15% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapons Law Violations – varied somewhat. The number of Fraud offenses was about 4% higher compared to 2008. Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Offenses and Weapons Law Violations decreased substantially since 2008, about 21% and 20% respectively. Of special note:

- While the number of Fraud offenses was up around 4%, compared with 2008:
  - Fraud-False Pretenses/Swindling/Con Games offenses increased by about 20%.
  - Fraud-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine offenses increased by around 22%.
  - Fraud-Impersonation offenses decreased by 16%.

Overall, less than half of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Most crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with the lowest clearance rate - Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism – accounted for 60% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. All crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 90-98 and Figure 26 provide detailed information about Statewide Other Property and Social Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 26: Delaware Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses							
		Final F			Preliminary Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
All Other Property and Social Offenses	32,768	30,589	29,232	28,770	27,238		
Percent Cleared	38.0%	37.3%	35.6%	37.4%	38.9%		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1,186	1,100	1,005	1,254	1,039		
Percent Cleared	67.9%	64.5%	56.9%	57.7%	55.4%		
Fraud	6,153	5,947	5,757	6,422	6,296		
Percent Cleared	60.7%	54.9%	53.3%	53.6%	52.0%		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	2,423	2,220	2,310	2,771	2,844		
Percent Cleared	61.5%	59.2%	57.3%	57.5%	57.5%		
Credit Card/ATM	1,060	1,102	1,118	1,300	1,268		
Percent Cleared	38.5%	29.9%	27.0%	27.2%	28.1%		
Impersonation	2,661	2,608	2,318	2,343	2,181		
Percent Cleared	69.1%	62.2%	62.1%	63.7%	58.7%		
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Wire Fraud	9	17	11	8	3		
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	0.0%	0.0%		
Embezzlement	469	375	303	325	320		
Percent Cleared	74.6%	70.1%	77.6%	71.1%	78.8%		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	693	651	698	648	727		
Percent Cleared	88.2%	89.9%	88.7%	88.3%	89.5%		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	20,950	19,491	18,682	17,470	16,285		
Percent Cleared	21.8%	22.6%	21.2%	22.5%	24.2%		

Table 90: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (Contin								
		Final F	igures		Preliminary			
			i.	1	Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	66	70	58	71	69			
Percent Cleared	77.3%	75.7%	77.6%	63.4%	65.2%			
Incest	2	2	1	2	1			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	50.0%	100.0%			
Statutory Rape	64	68	57	69	68			
Percent Cleared	76.6%	75.0%	78.9%	63.8%	64.7%			
Pornography/ Obscene Material	133	190	87	127	119			
Percent Cleared	72.9%	76.3%	72.4%	55.1%	72.3%			
Gambling Offenses	6	16	12	7	9			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	62.5%	100.0%	57.1%	66.7%			
Prostitution	140	77	39	51	63			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	96.1%	89.7%	90.2%	90.5%			
Prostitution	87	47	22	26	36			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	95.7%	86.4%	96.2%	86.1%			
Promoting Prostitution	53	30	17	25	27			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	96.7%	94.1%	84.0%	96.3%			
Bribery	3	6	3	9	9			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	83.3%	66.7%	66.7%	77.8%			
Weapons Law Violations	2,969	2,666	2,588	2,386	2,302			
Percent Cleared	71.1%	70.8%	69.7%	70.7%	73.9%			

Table 90: Statewide... Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Delaware Percentage Differen				l Offenses F		08-2012
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12
All Other Property and Social Offenses	-6.65%	-4.44%	-1.58%	-4.39%	-15.49%	-9.20%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-7.25%	-8.64%	24.78%	-16.07%	-10.20%	-6.94%
Fraud	-3.35%	-3.19%	11.55%	-0.77%	4.81%	5.34%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	-8.38%	4.05%	19.96%	4.60%	20.36%	19.40%
Credit Card/ATM	3.96%	1.45%	16.28%	-1.48%	22.63%	12.14%
Impersonation	-1.99%	-11.12%	1.08%	-6.44%	-16.15%	-11.09%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	88.89%	-35.29%	-27.27%	-62.50%	-66.67%	-73.33%
Embezzlement	-20.04%	-19.20%	7.26%	-0.93%	-29.36%	-10.99%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-6.06%	7.22%	-7.16%	26.66%	12.71%	15.95%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	-6.96%	-4.15%	-6.49%	-6.40%	-21.41%	-14.44%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	6.06%	-17.14%	22.41%	-1.43%	9.52%	4.55%
Incest	0.00%	-50.00%	100.00%	-50.00%	-50.00%	-42.86%
Statutory Rape	6.25%	-16.18%	21.05%	0.00%	11.48%	5.84%
Pornography/Obscene Material	42.86%	-54.21%	45.98%	-2.46%	-11.19%	3.03%
Gambling Offenses	166.67%	-25.00%	-41.67%	28.57%	50.00%	-7.69%
Prostitution	-45.00%	-49.35%	30.77%	28.57%	-55.00%	-17.38%
Prostitution	-45.98%	-53.19%	18.18%	44.00%	-58.62%	-20.44%
Promoting Prostitution	-43.40%	-43.33%	47.06%	12.50%	-49.06%	-12.90%
Bribery	100.00%	-50.00%	200.00%	12.50%	350.00%	89.47%
Weapons Law Violations	-10.21%	-2.93%	-7.81%	-2.21%	-20.70%	-11.92%

Table 91: Delaware Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Statewide Other Property and Social	Offenses:	Crime Rate	es per 1,00	0 People 2	2008-2012		
Delaware Population	875,301	919,962					
		Final	Rates		Preliminary Rates		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.1		
Fraud	7.0	6.7	6.4	7.1	6.8		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	2.8	2.5	2.6	3.1	3.1		
Credit Card/ATM	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.4		
Impersonation	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.4		
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Embezzlement	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	23.9	22.0	20.9	19.3	17.7		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Incest	< 0.1	< 0.1	<0.1	< 0.1	<0.1		
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Prostitution	0.2	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1		
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Promoting Prostitution	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Bribery	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Weapons Law Violations	3.4	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.5		

Table 92: Statewide Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People 2008-12

# **Delaware Other Property and Social Offense Arrests**

Statewide Adult Arrests – Oth	. ,				Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012							
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary							
					Counts							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012							
Counterfeiting/Forgery	613	599	497	585	494							
Fraud	1,905	1,738	1,655	1,787	1,768							
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	740	641	700	752	872							
Credit Card/ATM	51	61	51	44	52							
Impersonation	1,114	1,036	904	991	844							
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0							
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0							
Embezzlement	265	234	186	188	183							
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	396	346	393	312	330							
Property Destruction/Vandalism	865	855	732	777	745							
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	42	22	23	23	32							
Incest	0	1	0	0	0							
Statutory Rape	42	21	23	23	32							
Pornography/ Obscene Material	49	31	28	34	40							
Gambling Offenses	9	14	15	5	3							
Prostitution	128	67	28	29	39							
Prostitution	83	40	15	19	20							
Promoting Prostitution	45	27	13	10	19							
Bribery	3	3	0	3	5							
Weapons Law Violations	325	277	277	259	261							

Table 93: Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	613	599	497	585	494			
Percent Male	58.7%	53.6%	61.8%	53.0%	55.9%			
Percent White	57.0%	52.1%	54.1%	53.0%	47.6%			
Percent Black	42.1%	47.6%	44.3%	46.5%	51.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.4%	4.2%	5.6%	3.6%	2.4%			
Fraud	1,905	1,738	1,655	1,787	1,768			
Percent Male	69.1%	67.9%	68.7%	69.1%	66.0%			
Percent White	48.7%	49.4%	49.4%	48.2%	52.6%			
Percent Black	50.5%	50.0%	49.7%	50.5%	46.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.8%	7.2%	4.6%	4.2%	4.2%			
Embezzlement	265	234	186	188	183			
Percent Male	54.3%	56.8%	49.5%	45.2%	54.6%			
Percent White	61.5%	52.1%	60.2%	59.6%	59.6%			
Percent Black	38.1%	47.4%	39.2%	39.9%	39.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.9%	2.6%	4.9%	1.6%	2.7%			
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	396	346	393	312	330			
Percent Male	82.8%	82.9%	83.7%	86.5%	86.7%			
Percent White	49.0%	52.1%	43.3%	49.3%	47.0%			
Percent Black	51.0%	48.0%	56.7%	50.6%	52.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.6%	2.3%	3.9%	4.2%	1.8%			
Property Destruction	865	855	732	777	745			
Percent Male	75.7%	76.8%	72.3%	77.3%	73.4%			
Percent White	55.0%	60.7%	58.0%	55.6%	54.3%			
Percent Black	44.5%	39.0%	41.9%	44.3%	44.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.7%	2.6%	2.3%	3.7%	1.8%			

Table 94: Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
2008-201	z, by Gender, R	Final F	-		Preliminary Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	42	22	23	23	32		
Percent Male	95.2%	81.8%	91.3%	95.7%	97.0%		
Percent White	61.9%	59.1%	65.2%	52.2%	33.3%		
Percent Black	38.1%	40.9%	30.4%	39.1%	66.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.1%	0.0%	13.0%	4.3%	9.1%		
Pornography	49	31	28	34	40		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	92.9%	100.0%	97.5%		
Percent White	87.8%	83.9%	82.2%	94.1%	77.5%		
Percent Black	10.2%	16.1%	17.9%	5.9%	22.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.1%	3.2%	7.1%	2.9%	2.5%		
Gambling Offenses	9	14	15	5	3		
Percent Male	88.9	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%		
Percent White	44.4%	0.0%	13.3%	20.0%	33.3%		
Percent Black	55.6%	100.0%	86.7%	80.0%	66.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	7.1%	0.0%	20.0%	33.3%		
Prostitution	128	67	28	29	39		
Percent Male	38.3%	41.8%	46.4%	34.5%	48.7%		
Percent White	75.8%	67.1%	60.7%	62.1%	64.1%		
Percent Black	24.2%	32.9%	39.3%	20.6%	33.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.6%	7.5%	7.1%	3.4%	10.3%		
Bribery	3	3	0	3	5		
Percent Male	66.7%	33.3%	0%	33.3%	60.0%		
Percent White	33.3%	66.7%	0%	33.3%	20.0%		
Percent Black	66.7%	33.3%	0%	66.7%	80.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0%	0.0%	20.0%		
Weapons Offenses	325	277	277	259	261		
Percent Male	92.6%	91.7%	94.6%	92.3%	92.3%		
Percent White	48.6%	52.7%	46.5%	48.2%	49.0%		
Percent Black	50.8%	47.3%	52.4%	51.8%	50.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.5%	4.0%	2.5%	2.7%	4.6%		

Table 95: Statewide Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012						
		Final Counts				
					Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	8	5	4	10	3	
Fraud	132	106	64	70	90	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	29	23	9	10	15	
Credit Card/ATM	3	3	5	6	10	
Impersonation	100	80	50	54	65	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	13	4	3	3	3	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	157	82	99	87	53	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	337	334	249	204	183	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	3	1	0	2	0	
Incest	0	0	0	1	0	
Statutory Rape	3	1	0	1	0	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	1	5	4	1	
Gambling Offenses	1	1	0	1	0	
Prostitution	2	0	0	0	1	
Prostitution	1	0	0	0	1	
Promoting Prostitution	1	0	0	0	0	
Bribery	0	0	0	0	1	
Weapons Law Violations	162	138	119	97	67	

Table 96: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity										
		Final F		Preliminary Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
Counterfeiting/Forgery	8	5	4	10	3					
Percent Male	75.0%	60.0%	25.0%	60.0%	33.3%					
Percent White	12.5%	20.0%	50.0%	20.0%	66.7%					
Percent Black	87.5%	80.0%	50.0%	80.0%	33.3%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%					
Fraud	132	106	64	70	90					
Percent Male	70.2%	75.5%	65.6%	65.7%	73.3%					
Percent White	40.5%	30.2%	34.4%	32.8%	34.4%					
Percent Black	58.7%	68.9%	65.7%	62.9%	64.5%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.4%	2.8%	0.0%	12.9%	4.4%					
Embezzlement	13	4	3	3	3					
Percent Male	46.2%	100.0%	100.0%	33.3%	66.7%					
Percent White	30.8%	75.0%	33.3%	66.7%	33.3%					
Percent Black	69.3%	25.0%	66.7%	33.3%	66.7%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%					
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	157	82	99	87	53					
Percent Male	85.4%	90.2%	91.9%	85.1%	94.3%					
Percent White	34.4%	39.0%	23.2%	22.9%	26.4%					
Percent Black	64.9%	61.0%	76.8%	75.9%	73.6%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.9%	8.5%	3.0%	8.0%	5.7%					
Property Destruction	337	334	249	204	183					
Percent Male	86.4%	86.8%	86.7%	87.7%	81.4%					
Percent White	61.1%	63.5%	50.6%	58.9%	56.8%					
Percent Black	37.9%	36.2%	47.8%	39.7%	42.1%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.2%	2.7%	6.0%	8.3%	7.6%					

Table 97: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
		Final Figures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	3	1	0	2	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%		
Percent White	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%		
Percent Black	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%		
Pornography	0	1	5	4	1		
Percent Male	0.0%	100.0%	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	0.0%	100.0%	80.0%	75.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	25.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%		
Gambling Offenses	1	1	0	1	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%		
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Prostitution	2	0	0	0	1		
Percent Male	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent White	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Bribery	0	0	0	0	1		
Percent Male	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Weapons Offenses	162	138	119	97	67		
Percent Male	91.4%	84.8%	84.0%	87.6%	80.6%		
Percent White	36.4%	50.8%	46.2%	48.5%	40.3%		
Percent Black	63.0%	49.2%	53.7%	51.5%	59.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.6%	13.7%	10.1%	8.3%	13.4%		

Table 98: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

### New Castle County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses in the county were around 21% lower in 2012 compared to 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category – Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapons Law Violations - are generally similar to the overall category. Destruction/Damage/Vandalism offenses and Weapons Law Violations decreased substantially since 2008, about 25% and 24% respectively. The number of Fraud offenses was down only slightly (about 1%) compared to 2008. Of special note:

- While the number of Fraud offenses decreased only slightly, compared with 2008:
  - Fraud-False Pretenses/Swindling/Con Games offenses increased about 1%.
  - Fraud-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine offenses increased around 42%.
  - Fraud-Impersonation offenses decreased by about 18%.

Overall, less than half of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. However, most crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with the lowest clearance rate - Property Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism – accounts for 64% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. All crimes in this category of offenses were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 99-107 and Figure 27 provide detailed information about New Castle County Other Property and Social Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 27: NCC Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses						
		Final Figures				
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	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
All Other Property and Social Offenses	20,565	18,567	17,734	16,222	15,754	
Percent Cleared	33.5%	33.4%	32.0%	32.1%	34.0%	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	683	615	599	624	544	
Percent Cleared	71.6%	63.1%	55.8%	59.9%	53.5%	
Fraud	3,082	3,113	2,944	3,056	2,933	
Percent Cleared	61.1%	53.3%	51.7%	50.1%	48.7%	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	1,118	1,002	1,062	1,115	1,103	
Percent Cleared	59.8%	58.5%	56.3%	55.9%	55.0%	
Credit Card/ATM	480	620	602	685	662	
Percent Cleared	31.5%	24.5%	20.8%	16.8%	20.5%	
Impersonation	1,481	1,488	1,278	1,251	1,165	
Percent Cleared	71.7%	62.0%	62.4%	63.5%	58.8%	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Wire Fraud	3	3	2	5	3	
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Embezzlement	261	216	162	178	174	
Percent Cleared	75.1%	73.6%	77.2%	77.0%	78.2%	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	489	428	445	365	406	
Percent Cleared	90.0%	91.4%	90.8%	90.7%	89.9%	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	13,779	12,281	11,753	10,375	10,063	
Percent Cleared	17.0%	18.9%	17.8%	17.2%	19.8%	

Table 99: New Castle... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances –							
Other Property and Social Offenses (Continued)							
		Final F	igures		Preliminary		
	2008	2008 2009 2010 2011					
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	33	36	26	36	32		
Percent Cleared	57.6%	69.4%	65.4%	50.0%	65.6%		
Incest	2	0	0	0	0		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Statutory Rape	31	36	26	36	32		
Percent Cleared	54.8%	69.4%	65.4%	50.0%	65.6%		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	65	44	31	49	32		
Percent Cleared	66.2%	50.0%	67.7%	53.1%	62.5%		
Gambling Offenses	5	6	8	5	4		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	60.0%	75.0%		
Prostitution	115	71	23	23	50		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	98.6%	95.7%	95.7%	92.0%		
Prostitution	74	42	15	10	28		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	93.3%	100.0%	89.3%		
Promoting Prostitution	41	29	8	13	22		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	96.6%	100.0%	92.3%	95.5%		
Bribery	3	1	3	6	3		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	83.3%	66.7%		
Weapons Law Violations	2,050	1,756	1,740	1,505	1,513		
Percent Cleared	65.9%	65.6%	64.9%	65.2%	69.9%		

Table 99: NCC Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

New Castle County Percentag					Offenses R		
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Preliminary Differences			
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12	
All Other Property and Social Offenses	-9.12%	0.13%	-6.46%	-1.54%	-21.79%	-12.66%	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-9.96%	-2.60%	4.17%	-11.40%	-17.95%	-12.01%	
Fraud	1.01%	-5.43%	3.80%	-2.33%	-1.61%	-2.06%	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	-10.38%	5.99%	4.99%	1.85%	1.94%	5.10%	
Credit Card/ATM	29.17%	-2.90%	13.79%	-1.93%	42.98%	12.49%	
Impersonation	0.47%	-14.11%	-2.11%	-6.05%	-18.70%	-13.93%	
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Wire Fraud	0.00%	-33.33%	150.00%	-40.00%	0.00%	-7.69%	
Embezzlement	-17.24%	-25.00%	9.88%	-1.69%	-30.68%	-13.00%	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-12.47%	3.97%	-17.98%	35.79%	-10.57%	2.72%	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	-10.87%	-4.30%	-11.72%	-2.49%	-25.93%	-15.84%	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	9.09%	-27.78%	38.46%	3.23%	14.29%	5.79%	
Incest	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.00%	-100.00%	
Statutory Rape	16.13%	-27.78%	38.46%	3.23%	23.08%	7.56%	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	-32.31%	-29.55%	58.06%	-27.27%	-50.00%	-27.27%	
Gambling Offenses	20.00%	33.33%	-37.50%	-20.00%	-20.00%	-27.27%	
Prostitution	-38.26%	-67.61%	0.00%	117.39%	-56.52%	-13.79%	
Prostitution	-43.24%	-64.29%	-33.33%	180.00%	-62.16%	-20.57%	
Promoting Prostitution	-29.27%	-72.41%	62.50%	69.23%	-46.34%	-3.30%	
Bribery	-66.67%	200.00%	100.00%	-50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	
Weapons Law Violations	-14.34%	-0.91%	-13.51%	2.37%	-24.16%	-12.61%	

 Table 100: NCC Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received 2008-12

New Castle County Other Prop	00 People						
New Castle County Population	535,007	538,936	542,818	546,643	547,059		
		Final Rates					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0		
Fraud	5.8	5.8	5.4	5.6	5.4		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0		
Games	2.1	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.0		
Credit Card/ATM	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.2		
Impersonation	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.1		
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Embezzlement	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	25.8	22.8	21.7	19.0	18.4		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1		
Incest	< 0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Complian Offenses		0.0					
Gambling Offenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1		
Prostitution	0.2	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1		
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1		
Promoting Prostitution	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Bribery	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Weapons Law Violations	3.8	3.3	3.2	2.8	2.8		

 Table 101: NCC Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People 2008-12

# New Castle County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012						
		Final Counts				
					Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	365	326	304	340	269	
Fraud	1,026	950	870	875	848	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	326	305	330	305	349	
Credit Card/ATM	24	40	28	22	25	
•	676	40 605	512	548	474	
Impersonation	070	0	0			
Welfare Fraud				0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	150	143	96	121	95	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	301	240	274	207	244	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	458	463	380	356	380	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	9	8	7	5	9	
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	9	8	7	5	9	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	24	14	16	16	10	
	27	14	10	10	10	
Gambling Offenses	8	12	10	5	1	
Prostitution	103	67	17	15	35	
Prostitution	72	40	10	7	<b>33</b> 17	
Promoting Prostitution	31	40 27	7	8	17	
Bribery	3	0	0	3	1	
Weapons Law Violations	201	152	173	158	155	

Table 102: New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
			Preliminary				
		Figures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	365	326	304	340	269		
Percent Male	58.4%	58.3%	63.5%	54.1%	59.9%		
Percent White	52.3%	50.3%	50.7%	45.9%	39.0%		
Percent Black	46.9%	49.0%	48.4%	53.5%	59.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.5%	4.0%	5.9%	5.0%	3.3%		
Fraud	1,026	950	870	875	848		
Percent Male	68.99%	67.1%	69.2%	70.7%	64.9%		
Percent White	43.2%	42.7%	46.0%	42.1%	45.9%		
Percent Black	56.0%	56.7%	43.1%	56.5%	53.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.1%	7.0%	4.8%	4.1%	4.6%		
Embezzlement	150	143	96	121	95		
Percent Male	57.3%	66.4%	53.1%	47.9%	62.1%		
Percent White	58.7%	45.6%	60.4%	56.2%	54.7%		
Percent Black	40.7%	54.6%	38.5%	43.0%	44.2%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.7%	4.2%	8.4%	0.8%	4.3%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	301	240	274	207	244		
Percent Male	83.4%	82.1%	84.7%	87.9%	85.7%		
Percent White	45.8%	51.6%	40.2%	46.9%	45.1%		
Percent Black	54.1%	48.4%	59.9%	53.1%	54.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.6%	3.4%	4.0%	4.9%	2.4%		
Property Destruction	458	463	380	356	380		
Percent Male	73.4%	78.2%	69.7%	74.7%	69.7%		
Percent White	53.3%	63.3%	52.1%	52.6%	51.8%		
Percent Black	46.3%	36.5%	47.6%	47.5%	47.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.5%	3.2%	3.4%	4.2%	2.4%		

Table 103: NCC Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 08-12
New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
		Final Figures					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	9	8	7	5	9		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	66.7%	50.0%	57.1%	40.0%	40.0%		
Percent Black	33.3%	50.5%	28.6%	60.0%	60.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	11.1%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	20.0%		
Pornography	24	14	16	16	10		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	83.3%	85.7%	93.8%	87.5%	80.0%		
Percent Black	16.7%	14.3%	6.3%	12.5%	20.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.2%	0.0%	6.3%	6.3%	10.0%		
Gambling Offenses	8	12	10	5	1		
Percent Male	87.5	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	50.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	50.0%	100.0%	80.0%	80.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%	20.0%	100.0%		
Prostitution	103	67	17	15	35		
Percent Male	34.0%	41.8%	35.3%	53.3%	51.4%		
Percent White	75.8%	67.1%	52.9%	73.4%	60.0%		
Percent Black	24.3%	32.9%	47.0%	20.0%	37.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	8.6%		
Bribery	3	0	0	3	1		
Percent Male	66.7%	N/A	N/A	33.3%	100.0%		
Percent White	33.3%	N/A	N/A	33.3%	0.0%		
Percent Black	66.7%	N/A	N/A	66.7%	100.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%		
Weapons Offenses	201	152	173	158	155		
Percent Male	93.5%	91.4%	95.4%	91.8%	91.0%		
Percent White	42.3%	47.4%	52.9%	41.2%	41.9%		
Percent Black	56.7%	52.6%	47.0%	58.9%	56.8%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.0%	4.6%	0.0%	3.8%	3.9%		

Table 104: NCC Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 2008-2012

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012							
		Preliminary					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	6	3	1	1	1		
Fraud	82	67	37	36	50		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	13	7	2	1	4		
Credit Card/ATM	2	1	2	1	6		
Impersonation	67	59	33	34	40		
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Embezzlement	9	4	1	0	0		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	126	50	71	66	41		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	167	212	126	113	88		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	1	1	0	1	0		
Incest	0	0	0	1	0		
Statutory Rape	1	1	0	0	0		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	0	1	2	0		
Gambling Offenses	1	1	0	1	0		
Prostitution	2	0	0	0	1		
Prostitution	1	0	0	0	1		
Promoting Prostitution	1	0	0	0	0		
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0		
Weapons Law Violations	93	95	81	66	52		

Table 105: New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	6	3	1	1	1			
Percent Male	83.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	16.7%	33.3%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Black	83.4%	66.7%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Fraud	82	67	37	36	50			
Percent Male	76.8%	74.6%	70.3%	66.7%	76.0%			
Percent White	31.8%	28.3%	24.3%	22.3%	26.0%			
Percent Black	68.3%	70.1%	75.7%	77.8%	74.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.5%	1.5%	0.0%	8.3%	2.0%			
Embezzlement	9	4	1	0	0			
Percent Male	55.6%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	33.3%	75.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	66.7%	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	126	50	71	66	41			
Percent Male	84.9%	96.0%	93.0%	81.8%	95.1%			
Percent White	29.4%	16.0%	18.3%	21.2%	21.9%			
Percent Black	69.8%	84.0%	81.7%	78.8%	78.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.3%	8.0%	2.8%	7.6%	7.3%			
Property Destruction	167	212	126	113	88			
Percent Male	86.8%	89.2%	82.5%	89.4%	83.0%			
Percent White	64.1%	63.7%	51.5%	57.5%	47.8%			
Percent Black	34.7%	36.3%	48.4%	41.6%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.8%	3.3%	7.1%	14.2%	6.8%			

Table 106: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Juve Social Offenses 2						
		Final Figures				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	Figures 2012	
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	1	1	0	1	0	
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	
Percent White	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	
Percent Black	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	
Pornography	0	0	1	2	0	
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	
Percent White	N/A	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	N/A	
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	0.0%	50.0%	N/A	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	
Gambling Offenses	1	1	0	1	0	
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	
Prostitution	2	0	0	0	1	
Percent Male	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	
Percent White	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	
Percent Black	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Weapons Offenses	93	95	81	66	52	
Percent Male	92.5%	84.2%	81.5%	84.8%	82.7%	
Percent White	30.1%	42.1%	40.7%	40.9%	40.3%	
Percent Black	68.8%	57.9%	59.3%	59.1%	59.7%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.3%	16.8%	11.1%	9.1%	17.3%	

Table 107: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 2008-12

## Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses in the county were around 10% lower in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapons Law Violations – varied somewhat. Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism offenses and Weapons Law Violations decreased about 17% and 13%, respectively, since 2008. The number of Fraud offenses was up slightly (about 1%) compared to 2008. Of special note:

- While the number of Fraud offenses decreased only slightly, compared with 2008:
  - Fraud-False Pretenses/Swindling/Con Games offenses increased about 22%.
  - Fraud-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine offenses decreased around 7%.
  - Fraud-Impersonation offenses decreased by about 18%.

Overall, nearly half of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Most crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with the lowest clearance rate - Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism – accounts for 54% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. All crimes in this category of offenses were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 108-116 and Figure 28 provide detailed information about Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 28: Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012						
		Final F	igures		Preliminary	
					Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
All Other Property and Social Offenses	5,966	5,641	5,303	5,749	5,293	
Percent Cleared	47.8%	44.7%	43.7%	47.9%	47.9%	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	242	219	157	262	193	
Percent Cleared	63.6%	68.5%	63.7%	68.3%	60.6%	
Fraud	1,509	1,320	1,311	1,570	1,526	
Percent Cleared	64.1%	61.2%	59.2%	62.9%	60.0%	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	677	587	614	822	819	
Percent Cleared	65.3%	66.3%	63.0%	64.8%	67.9%	
Credit Card/ATM	310	228	224	290	286	
Percent Cleared	56.1%	41.7%	40.6%	48.6%	36.7%	
Impersonation	519	500	470	458	421	
Percent Cleared	67.8%	64.8%	63.4%	68.6%	60.6%	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Wire Fraud	3	5	3	0	0	
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A	
Embezzlement	101	78	64	59	68	
Percent Cleared	73.3%	67.9%	84.4%	69.5%	85.3%	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	109	101	128	154	163	
Percent Cleared	85.3%	88.1%	86.7%	81.8%	90.2%	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	3,465	3,433	3,175	3,155	2,866	
Percent Cleared	32.0%	29.9%	28.1%	31.6%	31.5%	

Table 108: Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012 (Continued)							
Other Property and Sc	ocial Offens			nuea)	Dualinsinamu		
		Final F	igures		Preliminary Figures		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
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Nonforcible Sex Offenses	15	15	13	18	17		
Percent Cleared	93.3%	86.7%	84.6%	66.7%	70.6%		
Incest	0	2	0	2	1		
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	N/A	50.0%	100.0%		
Statutory Rape	15	13	13	16	16		
Percent Cleared	93.3%	84.6%	84.6%	68.8%	68.8%		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	37	30	29	44	45		
Percent Cleared	83.8%	63.3%	86.2%	59.1%	77.8%		
Gambling Offenses	0	2	3	2	3		
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	100.0%		
Prostitution	13	1	11	11	4		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	90.9%	100.0%	100.0%		
Prostitution	9	1	3	7	2		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Promoting Prostitution	4	0	8	4	2		
Percent Cleared	100.0%	N/A	87.5%	100.0%	100.0%		
Bribery	0	2	0	2	1		
Percent Cleared	N/A	50.0%	N/A	50.0%	100.0%		
Weapons Law Violations	475	440	412	472	407		
Percent Cleared	83.8%	81.4%	81.8%	79.2%	83.8%		

Table 108: Kent County... Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Kent County Percentage Differ	ence in Ot	her Propei	rty and Soc	cial Offense	s Received	2008-12
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12
All Other Property and Social Offenses	-5.45%	-5.99%	8.41%	-7.66%	-10.79%	-6.11%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-9.50%	-28.31%	66.88%	-26.34%	-18.91%	-11.37%
Fraud	-12.52%	-0.68%	19.76%	-2.37%	1.80%	7.84%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	-13.29%	4.60%	33.88%	0.61%	22.60%	22.97%
Credit Card/ATM	-26.45%	-1.75%	29.46%	-1.72%	-7.74%	9.26%
Impersonation	-3.66%	-6.00%	-2.55%	-8.08%	-18.73%	-13.11%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	66.67%	-40.00%	-100.0%	0.0%	-100.00%	-100.00%
Embezzlement	-22.77%	-17.95%	-7.81%	13.33%	-30.61%	-9.03%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-7.34%	26.73%	20.31%	6.54%	59.80%	35.55%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	-0.92%	-7.52%	-0.63%	-8.90%	-17.07%	-13.13%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.00%	-13.33%	38.46%	-15.00%	6.25%	6.25%
Incest	0.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	-50.00%	0.0%	0.00%
Statutory Rape	-13.33%	0.00%	23.08%	-11.11%	0.00%	6.67%
Pornography/ Obscene Material	-18.92%	-3.33%	51.72%	0.00%	15.38%	27.66%
Gambling Offenses	0.0%	50.00%	-33.33%	50.00%	0.0%	71.43%
Prostitution	-92.31%	1000.0%	0.00%	-63.64%	-69.23%	-55.56%
Prostitution	-88.89%	200.00%	133.33%	-71.43%	-77.78%	-60.00%
Promoting Prostitution	-100.0%	0.0%	-50.00%	-50.00%	-50.00%	-50.00%
Bribery	0.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.33%
Weapons Law Violations	-7.37%	-6.36%	14.56%	-13.22%	-13.77%	-9.10%

Table 109: Kent County Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Kent County Other Property and	Social Off	enses: Crir	ne Rates p	er 1,000 P	eople
Kent County Population	152,980	167,103			
		Preliminary			
					Rates
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.6	1.4	1.0	1.6	1.2
Fraud	9.9	8.5	8.3	9.8	9.1
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	4.4	3.8	3.9	5.1	4.9
Credit Card/ATM	2.0	1.5	1.4	1.8	1.7
Impersonation	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.9	2.5
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	0.0
Embezzlement	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0
Property Destruction/Vandalism	22.7	22.1	20.2	19.7	17.2
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Incest	0.0	< 0.1	0.0	< 0.1	<0.1
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Gambling Offenses	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Prostitution	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1
Prostitution	0.1	<0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	<0.1
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	0.0	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Bribery	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1
Weapons Law Violations	3.1	2.8	2.6	3.0	2.4

Table 110: Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People

# Kent County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012						
		Final C	ounts		Preliminary	
					Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	124	141	85	126	102	
Fraud	396	376	403	438	470	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	208	192	209	244	315	
Credit Card/ATM	13	11	10	14	16	
Impersonation	175	173	184	180	139	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	57	51	44	32	44	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	57	53	48	35	32	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	209	196	190	213	171	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	11	4	7	9	11	
Incest	0	1	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	11	3	7	9	11	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	14	8	8	10	19	
Gambling Offenses	0	2	2	0	2	
Prostitution	9	0	8	8	0	
Prostitution	6	0	2	6	0	
Promoting Prostitution	3	0	6	2	0	
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	
Weapons Law Violations	68	59	46	51	55	

Table 111: Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	124	141	85	126	102			
Percent Male	55.6%	51.1%	58.8%	52.4%	47.1%			
Percent White	54.8%	43.2%	43.5%	58.0%	52.0%			
Percent Black	42.7%	56.7%	51.8%	41.3%	48.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.8%	2.1%	4.7%	1.6%	1.0%			
Fraud	396	376	403	438	470			
Percent Male	65.1%	62.3%	6.68%	66.2%	65.1%			
Percent White	49.2%	47.8%	44.7%	43.8%	53.2%			
Percent Black	50.4%	51.9%	53.9%	54.3%	45.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.8%	2.9%	3.7%	4.3%	2.3%			
Embezzlement	57	51	44	32	44			
Percent Male	50.9%	43.1%	45.5%	37.5%	45.5%			
Percent White	56.1%	54.9%	43.2%	62.5%	61.4%			
Percent Black	43.9%	43.1%	56.8%	37.5%	38.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.8%	0.0%	2.3%	3.1%	2.3%			
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	57	53	48	35	32			
Percent Male	82.5%	83.0%	89.6%	91.4%	93.8%			
Percent White	49.1%	47.1%	41.7%	51.4%	37.5%			
Percent Black	50.9%	52.8%	58.4%	48.6%	62.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%			
Property Destruction	209	196	190	213	171			
Percent Male	73.2%	70.9%	76.8%	78.9%	74.3%			
Percent White	52.2%	50.5%	57.4%	54.5%	51.5%			
Percent Black	47.8%	49.0%	42.7%	45.5%	48.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.4%	2.0%	1.6%	2.3%	1.2%			

Table 112: Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final F			Preliminary Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	11	4	7	9	11			
Percent Male	90.9%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	72.7%	75.0%	71.4%	44.4%	9.1%			
Percent Black	27.3%	25.0%	28.6%	55.6%	90.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%			
Pornography	14	8	8	10	19			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	87.5%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	100.0%	75.0%	62.5%	100.0%	73.7%			
Percent Black	0.0%	25.0%	37.5%	0.0%	26.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Gambling Offenses	0	2	2	0	2			
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	50.0%			
Percent White	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%			
Prostitution	9	0	8	8	0			
Percent Male	33.3%	N/A	87.5%	25.0%	N/A			
Percent White	66.7%	N/A	62.5%	62.5%	N/A			
Percent Black	33.3%	N/A	37.5%	12.5%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	68	59	46	51	55			
Percent Male	89.7%	94.9%	93.5%	90.2%	90.9%			
Percent White	50.0%	44.1%	52.1%	49.0%	52.8%			
Percent Black	50.0%	55.9%	47.9%	51.0%	47.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.6%			

Table 113: Kent County Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 2008-12

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – (	Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012					
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary	
					Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	2	2	6	1	
Fraud	28	24	13	18	19	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	10	11	6	6	4	
Credit Card/ATM	1	2	2	3	1	
Impersonation	17	11	5	9	14	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	2	0	0	0	2	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	15	12	18	9	5	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	98	52	68	46	40	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	1	0	
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	1	0	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	0	2	2	1	
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	
Weapons Law Violations	33	20	24	19	7	

Table 114: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
					Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	2	2	6	1			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%			
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	100.0%			
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Fraud	28	24	13	18	19			
Percent Male	55.6%	79.2%	61.5%	66.7%	57.9%			
Percent White	51.8%	20.8%	30.8%	38.9%	36.9%			
Percent Black	48.1%	79.2%	69.3%	61.1%	57.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	11.1%	4.2%	0.0%	22.2%	5.3%			
Embezzlement	2	0	0	0	2			
Percent Male	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	50.0%			
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	50.0%			
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	15	12	18	9	5			
Percent Male	100.0%	83.3%	88.9%	88.9%	100.0%			
Percent White	40.0%	50.0%	33.3%	33.3%	20.0%			
Percent Black	60.0%	50.0%	66.7%	66.7%	80.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%	11.1%	0.0%			
Property Destruction	98	52	68	46	40			
Percent Male	83.7%	76.9%	91.2%	80.4%	72.5%			
Percent White	46.9%	61.6%	45.6%	56.5%	47.5%			
Percent Black	52.1%	36.5%	51.4%	41.3%	52.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.0%	1.9%	5.9%	2.2%	5.0%			

Table 115: Kent Cnty. Juvenile Arrests –Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	1	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Pornography	0	0	2	2	1			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	33	20	24	19	7			
Percent Male	90.9%	85.0%	87.5%	94.7%	71.4%			
Percent White	27.3%	55.0%	50.0%	57.9%	42.9%			
Percent Black	72.7%	45.0%	50.0%	42.1%	57.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.0%	5.0%	12.5%	5.3%	0.0%			

Table 116: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 08-12

#### Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, the number of Other Property and Social Offenses in the county was virtually unchanged in 2012 when compared with 2008. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses – Property Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapons Law Violations – varied to a degree. Property Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism offenses and Weapons Law Violations decreased about 8% and 12%, respectively, since 2008. The number of Fraud offenses was up about 20%. Of special note:

- While the number of Fraud offenses was 20% higher, compared with 2008:
  - Fraud-False Pretenses/Swindling/Con Games offenses increased by about 50%.
  - Fraud-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine offenses increased by around 22%.
  - Fraud-Impersonation offenses decreased by about 8%.

Overall, less than half of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2012. Most crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with the lowest clearance rate - Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism – accounts for 54% of the crimes in this offense category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. Offenses for all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 117-125 and Figure 29 provide detailed information about Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests.



Figure 29: Sussex Cnty. Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests 2008-2012

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses						
		Final Figures				
					Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
All Other Property and Social Offenses	6,237	6,381	6,195	6,799	6,191	
Percent Cleared	43.7%	42.1%	38.9%	41.1%	43.5%	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	261	266	249	368	302	
Percent Cleared	62.1%	64.3%	55.4%	46.2%	55.6%	
Fraud	1,562	1,514	1,502	1,796	1,837	
Percent Cleared	56.8%	52.8%	51.2%	51.2%	50.5%	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	628	631	634	834	922	
Percent Cleared	60.4%	53.9%	53.5%	52.4%	51.3%	
Credit Card/ATM	270	254	292	325	320	
Percent Cleared	30.7%	32.3%	29.5%	29.8%	35.9%	
Impersonation	661	620	570	634	595	
Percent Cleared	64.3%	60.8%	60.4%	60.7%	57.1%	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Wire Fraud	3	9	6	3	0	
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Embezzlement	107	81	77	88	78	
Percent Cleared	74.8%	63.0%	72.7%	60.2%	74.4%	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	95	122	125	129	158	
Percent Cleared	82.1%	86.1%	83.2%	89.1%	88.0%	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	3,706	3,777	3,754	3,940	3,356	
Percent Cleared	29.8%	28.0%	25.7%	29.3%	31.1%	

Table 117: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances –						
Other Property	and Social O	Offenses (C	Continued)			
		Final F	igures		Preliminary	
					Figures	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	18	19	19	17	20	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	78.9%	89.5%	88.2%	60.0%	
Incest	0	0	1	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A	
Statutory Rape	18	19	18	17	20	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	78.9%	94.4%	88.2%	60.0%	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	31	116	27	34	42	
Percent Cleared	74.2%	89.7%	63.0%	52.9%	73.8%	
Gambling Offenses	1	8	1	0	2	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	25.0%	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	
Prostitution	12	5	5	17	9	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	60.0%	60.0%	76.5%	77.8%	
Prostitution	4	4	4	9	6	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	50.0%	50.0%	88.9%	66.7%	
Promoting Prostitution	8	1	1	8	3	
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	62.5%	100.0%	
Bribery	0	3	0	1	5	
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	80.0%	
Weapons Law Violations	444	470	436	409	382	
Percent Cleared	81.3%	80.4%	77.8%	81.4%	79.6%	

Table 117: SC Serious Offenses and Clearances - Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Sussex County Percentage	-			-		
	Fin	al Differen	ces	Prelim	inary Diffe	rences
	08 - 09	09 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12	08 - 12	Average 08-11 -12
All Other Property and Social Offenses	2.31%	-2.91%	9.75%	-8.36%	0.58%	-2.10%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.92%	-6.39%	47.79%	-16.57%	17.97%	7.66%
Fraud	-3.07%	-0.79%	19.57%	3.26%	20.30%	17.21%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	0.48%	0.48%	31.55%	12.17%	50.41%	38.33%
Credit Card/ATM	-5.93%	14.96%	11.30%	-0.31%	22.61%	14.08%
Impersonation	-6.20%	-8.06%	11.23%	-6.00%	-8.46%	-3.25%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	200.00%	-33.33%	-50.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
Embezzlement	-24.30%	-4.94%	14.29%	-9.30%	-25.00%	-7.96%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	28.42%	2.46%	3.20%	29.51%	77.53%	41.70%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	1.92%	-0.61%	4.95%	-14.65%	-8.80%	-11.14%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	5.56%	0.00%	-10.53%	5.26%	5.26%	1.27%
Incest	0.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.00%
Statutory Rape	5.56%	-5.26%	-5.56%	5.26%	5.26%	2.56%
Pornography/ Obscene Material	274.19%	-76.72%	25.93%	27.27%	35.48%	15.86%
Gambling Offenses	700.00%	-87.50%	-100.0%	200.0%	100.00%	-20.00%
Prostitution	-58.33%	0.00%	240.00%	-40.00%	-25.00%	-2.70%
Prostitution	0.00%	0.00%	125.00%	-25.00%	50.00%	20.00%
Promoting Prostitution	-87.50%	0.00%	700.00%	-57.14%	-62.50%	-29.41%
Bribery	300.0%	-300.0%	100.0%	400.00%	100.0%	400.00%
Weapons Law Violations	5.86%	-7.23%	-6.19%	-6.14%	-12.39%	-12.08%

Table 118: Sussex County Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 PeoSussex County Population187,314190,857194,422197,998							
Sussex County Population	187,314	205,800					
		Final Rates					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.9	1.5		
Fraud	8.3	7.9	7.7	9.1	8.9		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	3.4	3.3	3.3	4.2	4.5		
Credit Card/ATM	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.6		
Impersonation	3.5	3.2	2.9	3.2	2.9		
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0		
Embezzlement	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	19.8	19.8	19.3	19.9	16.3		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Incest	0.0	0.0	<0.1	0.0	0.0		
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2		
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1		
Prostitution	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1		
Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1		
Bribery	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1		
Weapons Law Violations	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.1	1.9		

Table 119: Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People

# Sussex County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Sussex County Adult Arrests		-		Sussex County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 20					
		Preliminary							
					Counts				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Counterfeiting/Forgery	124	132	108	119	123				
Fraud	483	412	382	474	450				
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	206	144	161	203	208				
Credit Card/ATM	14	10	13	8	11				
Impersonation	263	258	208	263	231				
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0				
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0				
Embezzlement	58	40	46	35	44				
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Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	50		/1	/0	54				
Property Destruction/Vandalism	198	196	162	208	194				
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	22	10	9	9	12				
Incest	0	0	0	0	0				
Statutory Rape	22	10	9	9	12				
Pornography/ Obscene Material	11	9	4	8	11				
Gambling Offenses	1	0	3	0	0				
Prostitution	16	0	3	6	4				
Prostitution	5	0	3	6	3				
Promoting Prostitution	11	0	0	0	1				
Bribery	0	3	0	0	4				
Weapons Law Violations	56	66	58	50	51				

 Table 120: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	124	132	108	119	123			
Percent Male	62.9%	44.7%	59.3%	50.4%	54.5%			
Percent White	72.6%	65.9%	72.2%	68.1%	62.6%			
Percent Black	27.4%	34.1%	26.8%	31.9%	37.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.5%	6.9%	5.6%	1.6%	1.6%			
Fraud	483	412	382	474	450			
Percent Male	72.9%	74.8%	69.4%	68.8%	68.7%			
Percent White	60.2%	66.2%	62.3%	63.9%	64.7%			
Percent Black	38.9%	33.1%	37.4%	35.6%	34.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	13.7%	11.7%	5.3%	4.2%	5.5%			
Embezzlement	58	40	46	35	44			
Percent Male	50.0%	40.0%	45.7%	42.9%	47.7%			
Percent White	74.1%	72.5%	76.1%	68.6%	68.2%			
Percent Black	25.9%	27.5%	23.9%	31.4%	31.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.0%			
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	38	53	71	70	54			
Percent Male	78.9%	86.8%	76.1%	80.0%	87.0%			
Percent White	73.7%	58.5%	56.3%	55.7%	61.2%			
Percent Black	26.3%	41.5%	43.6%	44.3%	38.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.9%	0.0%	4.2%	4.3%	0.0%			
Property Destruction	198	196	162	208	194			
Percent Male	83.8%	79.6%	72.8%	80.3%	79.9%			
Percent White	62.1%	64.8%	72.2%	62.0%	61.8%			
Percent Black	36.9%	34.7%	27.8%	37.5%	36.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.1%	1.5%	0.6%	4.3%	1.0%			

Table 121: Sussex Cnty. Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
Jordi Offenses 2		Final F		nerty	Preliminary Figures			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	22	10	9	9	12			
Percent Male	95.5%	80.0%	77.8%	88.9%	91.7%			
Percent White	54.5%	60.0%	66.7%	66.7%	50.0%			
Percent Black	45.5%	40.0%	33.3%	11.1%	50.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	9.1%	0.0%	22.2%	0.0%	8.3%			
Pornography	11	9	4	8	11			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	90.9%			
Percent White	81.8%	88.9%	75.0%	100.0%	81.8%			
Percent Black	9.1%	11.1%	25.0%	0.0%	18.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	11.1%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Gambling Offenses	1	0	3	0	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Prostitution	16	0	3	6	4			
Percent Male	68.8%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%			
Percent White	81.3%	N/A	100.0%	33.3%	100.0%			
Percent Black	18.8%	N/A	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	43.8%	N/A	66.7%	16.7%	25.0%			
Bribery	0	3	0	0	4			
Percent Male	N/A	33.3%	N/A	N/A	50.0%			
Percent White	N/A	66.7%	N/A	N/A	25.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	33.3%	N/A	N/A	75.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A	25.0%			
Weapons Offenses	56	66	58	50	51			
Percent Male	92.6%	89.4%	93.1%	96.0%	98.0%			
Percent White	69.7%	72.8%	67.2%	70.0%	66.7%			
Percent Black	30.4%	27.2%	32.7%	30.0%	33.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.4%	6.1%	0.0%	2.0%	7.8%			

Table 122: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity 08-12

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012						
		Final C	Counts		Preliminary Counts	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	0	1	3	1	
Fraud	22	15	14	16	21	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	6	5	1	3	7	
Credit Card/ATM	0	0	1	2	3	
Impersonation	16	10	12	11	11	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	2	0	2	3	1	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	16	20	10	12	7	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	72	70	55	45	55	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	2	0	0	0	0	
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	2	0	0	0	0	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	1	2	0	0	
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	
Bribery	0	0	0	0	1	
Weapons Law Violations	36	23	14	12	8	

Table 123: Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses 2008-2012

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity									
		Final Figures							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	0	1	3	1				
Percent Male	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	66.7%	0.0%				
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%				
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Fraud	22	15	14	16	21				
Percent Male	63.6%	73.3%	57.1%	62.5%	81.1%				
Percent White	59.1%	53.4%	64.3%	50.1%	52.4%				
Percent Black	36.4%	46.7%	35.7%	31.3%	47.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.5%	6.7%	0.0%	12.5%	9.5%				
Embezzlement	2	0	2	3	1				
Percent Male	50.0%	N/A	100.0%	33.3%	100.0%				
Percent White	50.0%	N/A	50.0%	66.7%	0.0%				
Percent Black	50.0%	N/A	50.0%	33.3%	100.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Stolen Property (buy, receive, posses)	16	20	10	12	7				
Percent Male	75.0%	80.0%	90.0%	100.0%	85.7%				
Percent White	68.8%	90.0%	40.0%	25.0%	57.1%				
Percent Black	31.3%	10.0%	60.0%	66.7%	42.9%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	15.0%	3.0%	8.3%	5.7%				
Property Destruction	72	70	55	45	55				
Percent Male	88.9%	87.1%	90.9%	91.1%	85.5%				
Percent White	73.6%	64.3%	54.5%	64.5%	78.2%				
Percent Black	46.4%	35.7%	41.9%	33.3%	21.8%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.0%	1.4%	3.6%	0.0%	10.9%				

Table 124: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
		Final Figures						
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012			
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	2	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Pornography	0	1	2	0	C			
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	0.0%	50.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	C			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	(			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	1			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Weapons Offenses	36	23	14	12	8			
Percent Male	88.9%	87.0%	92.9%	91.7%	75.0%			
Percent White	61.1%	82.6%	64.3%	75.0%	37.5%			
Percent Black	38.9%	17.3%	28.6%	25.0%	62.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	11.1%	8.7%	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%			

Table 125: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses 2008-2012, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

# LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY STAFFING AND OFFICERS KILLED AND ASSAULTED 2008 – 2012

This final section of the *Crime in Delaware* report examines the staffing trends among Delaware's law enforcement agencies and violent crimes committed against police officers.

## Full Time Law Enforcement Officers and Civilian Employees

The number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed in Delaware police departments and agencies totaled 2,306 and 849 in 2012. The law enforcement officers total reflects almost no change between 2008 and 2012. The civilian employee total reflects a decrease of 3.2% from 2008.

Municipalities employed approximately half of Delaware's officers and about one-third of the civilian law enforcement employees. The Delaware State Police was the next largest employer of officers and civilians, followed by the Delaware Attorney General's Office (see Table 126). Other agencies, such as the Capitol Police, Delaware River and Bay Authority, Amtrak Police, the State Fire Marshal, and enforcement units of various state agencies, employed the remaining officers and civilians. A full list of employee counts by jurisdiction and employee type is located in Table 143 at the end of the *Law Enforcement Agency Staffing and Officers Killed and Assaulted* section.

Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Employees by Agency and Employee Type										
Agency Type	20	08	2009		2010		2011		2012	
	Officer	Civilian								
Delaware State Police	679	240	672	229	662	229	652	238	659	247
City/Town	1,149	296	1,166	301	1,169	281	1,127	290	1,151	272
Special Agency <sup>1</sup>	281	156	276	148	297	140	290	135	286	137
Attorney General's Office	192	185	191	158	201	197	210	200	210	193
Total	2,301	877	2,305	836	2,329	847	2,279	863	2,306	849

Table 126: Delaware	Law Enforcement	Agency Employees	by Agency and	Employee Type

<sup>1</sup>Special agencies include enforcement units of state agencies, university police/public safety departments, and other organizations that engage in law enforcement activities but that are not included in the other three categories in the table. A full listing is available in Table 143.

#### Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Delaware

**Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers were lower in 2012.** Assault-related offenses committed against police officers were more than one-third lower in 2012 when compared to 2008. The number committed in 2012 was about 15% lower than in 2011. Almost all offenses (97%) had been cleared before the end of 2012. Assaults against officers continue to be cleared at rates above 95%.

No officers were killed in 2012, although about 15% of assault-related offenses resulted in injuries. Two officers were killed in the line of duty during 2008 through 2012 period. The percentage of assault-related offenses that resulted in injury is consistent with the rates for the four prior years.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, and most often involved single officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners accounted for about two-thirds of assaults against officers during the 2008 through 2012 period.

**Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers**. During the 2008 through 2012 period, three out of every four assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. One in 20 assaults during this period involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument.

Tables 127-130 and Figures 30-32 provide more detail about assaults involving Delaware officers.

Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers 2008-2012							
		Final	Preliminary Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Officers Assaulted	670	504	529	517	435		
Officers Killed	0	1	0	1	0		
Attempted Homicides on Officers	2	0	5	6	2		
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	19.6%	17.3%	15.5%	14.7%	15.4%		
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	97.0%	96.2%	95.8%	96.3%	97.0%		

#### Table 127: Violent Offenses Committed Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers 2008-2012



Figure 30: Assaults Against Law Enforcement Officers 2008-2012



Figure 31: Weapons Used Against Law Enforcement Officers 2008-2012



Figure 32: Assaults Against Officers by Type of Activity 2008-2012

Table 128: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers b	w Type of Activity
Table 120. Violent Onenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Oneers b	y Type of Activity

Assaults by Type of Activity Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012							
		Final		Preliminary Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Delaware Officers Assaulted	670	504	529	518	435		
Type of Activity							
Responding to Disturbance	24.0%	30.0%	27.2%	28.4%	32.2%		
Attempting Other Arrest	24.6%	23.2%	24.2%	22.8%	22.1%		
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	13.6%	14.5%	14.9%	16.4%	11.0%		
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	10.6%	7.3%	5.9%	7.0%	6.4%		
Investigating Suspicious Person	3.9%	4.8%	5.9%	5.4%	5.5%		
Person who was Mentally Deranged	4.8%	3.0%	1.9%	3.1%	5.5%		
Civil Disorder	2.4%	1.6%	1.7%	2.1%	2.5%		
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	1.2%	1.0%	0.4%	0.4%	0.7%		
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.4%	0.6%	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%		
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%		
All Others	14.5%	14.1%	17.4%	13.7%	13.3%		

Assaults by Type of Weapon Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012						
		Final		Preliminary Data		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Delaware Officers Assaulted	670	504	529	518	435	
Type of Assignment						
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	75.8%	75.4%	75.2%	76.0%	76.3%	
Firearm	5.4%	3.0%	3.0%	3.7%	3.0%	
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.0%	1.8%	1.5%	3.3%	1.2%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	17.8%	19.8%	20.2%	17.0%	19.5%	

Table 129: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers by Type of Weapon

Table 130: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers by Type of Assignment

Assaults by Type of Assignment Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012							
		Final		Preliminary Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Delaware Officers Assaulted	670	504	529	518	435		
Type of Assignment							
Two Man Vehicle	12.4%	14.7%	17.0%	13.7%	13.8%		
One Man Vehicle	54.2%	56.3%	57.3%	60.0%	64.6%		
One Man Vehicle Assisted	10.1%	9.7%	4.9%	6.8%	6.7%		
Detective or Special Assignment	4.3%	4.4%	5.5%	4.1%	6.2%		
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	3.1%	2.4%	3.4%	4.2%	2.1%		
Other	7.3%	6.0%	4.7%	4.4%	2.3%		
Other Assisted	8.5%	6.5%	7.2%	6.8%	4.4%		

#### Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers in the county were lower in 2012. Assault-related offenses committed against officers in the county were more than one-third lower in 2012 when compared to 2008. The number committed in 2012 was about 5% lower than in 2011. Almost all assault-related offenses (96%) had been cleared before the end of 2012. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at rates around 95%.

No officers in the county were killed in 2012, although about 15% of assault-related offenses resulted in injuries. One officer was killed in the line of duty during the 2008 through 2012 period. The percentage of assault-related offenses that resulted in injury in 2012 is lower than the rates for three of the four prior years.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, and most often involved single officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners account for around 60% of assaults against officers in the county during the 2008 through 2012 period.

Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county. During the 2008 through 2012, three out of every four assaults against officers in the county involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. About one in 19 assaults during this period involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument.

Tables 131-134 provide more detail about assaults involving officers in the county.

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County 2008-12							
		Fina		Preliminary			
				Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Officers Assaulted	399	239	273	268	254		
Officers Killed	0	0	0	1	0		
Attempted Homicides on Officers	2	0	4	1	1		
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	18.3%	17.6%	19.8%	14.6%	15.4%		
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.0%	95.0%	93.4%	94.4%	96.1%		

#### Table 131: Violent Offenses Committed Against Officers in New Castle County 2008-2012

Assaults by Type of Activity Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012						
		Final			Preliminary Data	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Officers Assaulted	399	239	273	268	254	
Type of Activity						
Responding to Disturbance	27.1%	33.9%	27.5%	25.7%	34.6%	
Attempting Other Arrest	16.5%	18.4%	17.6%	22.0%	19.3%	
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	15.5%	14.2%	17.9%	15.7%	7.9%	
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	11.0%	6.7%	6.2%	8.2%	6.7%	
Investigating Suspicious Person	5.3%	6.3%	7.0%	6.7%	6.3%	
Person who was Mentally Deranged	3.5%	2.5%	1.8%	4.9%	5.9%	
Civil Disorder	2.8%	0.4%	1.5%	1.5%	3.1%	
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	1.8%	1.3%	0.0%	0.7%	0.8%	
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.8%	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.8%	
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
All Others	15.8%	15.5%	20.1%	14.2%	14.6%	

 Table 132: Violent Offenses Against Officers in New Castle County by Type of Activity 08-12

Table 133: Violent Offenses Against Officers in New Castle County by Type of Wea	apon 08-12

Assaults by Type of Weapon Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012						
		Final	Preliminary Data			
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Officers Assaulted	399	239	273	268	254	
Type of Assignment						
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	75.9%	74.5%	75.1%	72.4%	74.0%	
Firearm	5.5%	5.4%	3.7%	3.4%	4.3%	
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.3%	2.9%	0.7%	3.0%	1.6%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	17.3%	17.2%	20.5%	21.3%	20.1%	

Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012						
	Final Data				Preliminary Data	
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Officers Assaulted	399	239	273	268	254	
Type of Assignment						
Two Man Vehicle	15.8%	21.8%	22.0%	19.4%	21.3%	
One Man Vehicle	60.7%	51.5%	53.5%	55.2%	58.3%	
One Man Vehicle Assisted	4.5%	7.1%	4.0%	4.1%	6.3%	
Detective or Special Assignment	4.8%	4.6%	5.1%	4.9%	5.9%	
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	4.0%	1.7%	4.4%	5.6%	2.0%	
Other	2.8%	3.8%	2.6%	3.0%	1.6%	
Other Assisted	7.5%	9.6%	8.4%	7.8%	4.7%	

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#### Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Kent County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers in the county were lower in 2012. Assault-related offenses committed against officers were about 17% lower in 2012 when compared to 2008. The number committed in 2012 was about 30% lower than in 2011. Almost all assault-related offenses (99%) had been cleared before the end of 2012. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at rates near 100%.

No officers in the county were killed in 2012, although about 11% of assault-related offenses resulted in injuries. No officers were killed in the line of duty during the 2008 through 2012 period. The percentage of assault-related offenses that resulted in injury is comparable to the rates for the previous four years.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, most often involved single officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners generally accounted for around two-thirds of assaults against officers in the county during the 2008 through 2012 period.

**Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county**. During the period 2008 through 2012, around seven out of every 10 assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. Assaults during this period that involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument were generally very infrequent.

Tables 135-138 provide more detail about assaults involving officers in Kent County.

Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted 2008-12					
	Final Data				Preliminary Data
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Officers Assaulted	116	111	147	138	96
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	1	5	1
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	14.7%	23.4%	8.2%	10.1%	11.5%
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	98.3%	99.1%	99.3%	100.0%	99.0%

Assaults by Type of Activity Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012					
	Final Data				Preliminary Data
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Officers Assaulted	116	111	147	138	96
Type of Activity					
Responding to Disturbance	25.0%	32.4%	32.0%	39.1%	32.3%
Attempting Other Arrest	23.3%	24.3%	24.5%	18.8%	24.0%
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	11.2%	13.5%	11.6%	16.7%	9.4%
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	12.1%	2.7%	6.1%	4.3%	5.2%
Investigating Suspicious Person	2.6%	7.2%	4.1%	1.4%	6.3%
Person who was Mentally Deranged	2.6%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%
Civil Disorder	2.6%	1.8%	2.7%	5.1%	2.1%
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.9%	1.8%	0.7%	0.0%	1.0%
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.7%	1.0%
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
All Others	19.8%	12.6%	17.7%	13.8%	10.4%

 Table 136: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Kent County by Type of Activity 2008-12

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Assaults by Type of Weapon Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012												
	Final Data				Preliminary							
					Data							
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012							
Officers Assaulted	116	111	147	138	96							
Type of Assignment												
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	69.0%	77.5%	68.7%	73.2%	74.0%							
Firearm	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	6.5%	1.0%							
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.7%	0.9%	2.7%	6.5%	1.0%							
Other Dangerous Weapon	29.3%	21.6%	25.9%	13.8%	24.0%							
Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012												
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		Preliminary Data										
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012							
Officers Assaulted	116	111	147	138	96							
Type of Assignment												
Two Man Vehicle	10.3%	9.0%	16.3%	11.6%	1.0%							
One Man Vehicle	55.2%	65.8%	62.6%	70.3%	76.0%							
One Man Vehicle Assisted	12.9%	6.3%	6.1%	5.1%	4.2%							
Detective or Special Assignment	6.9%	3.6%	6.1%	4.3%	12.5%							
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	1.7%	3.6%	2.7%	0.7%	2.1%							
Other	1.7%	5.4%	2.0%	3.6%	0.0%							
Other Assisted	11.2%	6.3%	4.1%	5.1%	4.2%							

Table 138: Violent Offenses	Against Officars in Kent	County by Type	of Assignment 2008-12
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## Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Sussex County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers in the county were lower in 2012. Assault-related offenses committed against officers were about 45% lower in 2012 when compared to 2008. The number committed in 2012 was more than 20% lower than in 2011. Almost all assault-related offenses (97%) had been cleared before the end of 2012. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at rates above 95%.

No officers in the county were killed in 2012, although about 20% of assault-related offenses resulted in injuries. One officer was killed in the line of duty during the 2008 through 2012 period. The percentage of assault-related offenses that resulted in injury is generally comparable to the rates for the previous four years.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, most often involved single officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners generally accounted for around 70% of assaults against officers in the county during the 2008 through 2012 period.

**Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county**. During the period 2008 through 2012, around eight out of every 10 assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. Assaults during this period that involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument, in general, were very infrequent.

Tables 139-142 provide more detail about assaults involving officers in Sussex County.

Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted 2008-12									
		Fina	Data		Preliminary				
					Data				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
Officers Assaulted	155	154	109	111	85				
Officers Killed	0	1	0	0	0				
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	0	0	0				
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury 26.5% 12.3% 14.7% 20.7%									
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.8%	95.5%	97.2%	95.5%	97.6%				

Table 139: Violent Offenses Committed Against Officers in Sussex County 2008-2012
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Assaults by Type of Activity Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012										
	Final Data Preliminary Data									
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
Officers Activity	155	154	109	111	85					
Type of Assignment										
Responding to Disturbance	15.5%	22.1%	20.2%	21.6%	24.7%					
Attempting Other Arrest	46.5%	29.9%	40.4%	29.7%	28.2%					
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	10.3%	15.6%	11.9%	18.0%	22.4%					
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	8.4%	11.7%	4.6%	7.2%	7.1%					
Investigating Suspicious Person	1.3%	0.6%	5.5%	7.2%	2.4%					
Person who was Mentally Deranged	9.7%	3.2%	4.6%	2.7%	1.2%					
Civil Disorder	1.3%	3.2%	0.9%	0.0%	1.2%					
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%					
Robberies in Progress/ Pursuing	0.0%	0.6%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%					
Suspects										
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%					
All Others	7.1%	13.0%	10.1%	12.6%	12.9%					

 Table 140: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Sussex County by Type of Activity 2008-12

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Assaults by Type of Weapon												
Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012												
Final Data Prelimina												
					Data							
	2008 2009 2010 2011											
Officers Assaulted	155	154	109	111	85							
Type of Assignment												
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	80.6%	75.3%	84.4%	88.3%	85.9%							
Firearm	9.0%	1.3%	1.8%	0.9%	1.2%							
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	0.0%	0.6%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%							
Other Dangerous Weapon	10.3%	22.7%	11.9%	10.8%	12.9%							

Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted 2008-2012										
	Final Data Preliminary									
		2000	2010	2011	Data					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012					
Officers Assaulted	155	154	109	111	85					
Type of Assignment										
Two Man Vehicle	5.2%	7.8%	5.5%	2.7%	5.9%					
One Man Vehicle	36.8%	57.1%	59.6%	59.5%	70.6%					
One Man Vehicle Assisted	22.6%	16.2%	5.5%	15.3%	10.6%					
Detective or Special Assignment	1.3%	4.5%	5.5%	1.8%	0.0%					
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	1.9%	2.6%	1.8%	5.4%	2.4%					
Other	23.2%	9.7%	13.8%	9.0%	7.1%					
Other Assisted	9.0%	1.9%	8.3%	6.3%	3.5%					

Table 142. Violent Offenses	Against Officers in Sussex Count	v by Type of Assignment 08-12
	Against Officers in Sussex Count	y by Type of Assignment of 12

Agency	County	20	08		09	20		20	11	20	12
		Officers	Civilians								
Delaware State Police	Kent	241	175	242	155	232	155	222	159	203	150
(DSP)/Kent											
DSP/New Castle	New Castle	260	34	250	44	250	44	250	47	259	64
DSP/Sussex	Sussex	178	31	180	30	180	30	180	32	197	33
Delaware State Police	Totals	679	240	672	229	662	229	652	238	659	247
Bethany	Sussex	9	1	9	1	9	1	8	1	10	1
Bethel	Sussex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blades	Sussex	3	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	3	0
Bowers Beach	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bridgeville	Sussex	4	0	7	0	8	0	8	0	5	0
Camden	Kent	13	2	12	1	12	1	8	1	8	1
Cheswold	Kent	5	0	3	0	3	0	2	0	1	0
Clayton	Kent	8	1	7	1	7	1	7	1	7	1
Dagsboro	Sussex	2	0	2	0	2	0	3	0	4	0
Delaware City	New Castle	5	0	3	0	3	0	3	2	3	0
Delmar	Sussex	11	1	12	1	12	1	12	1	13	1
Dewey Beach	Sussex	7	0	8	1	8	1	8	1	8	2
Dover	Kent	90	27	91	29	90	28	90	28	92	28
Ellendale	Sussex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Elsmere	New Castle	11	1	10	1	11	1	11	1	13	1
Felton	Kent	4	0	4	0	4	0	3	1	4	0
Fenwick Island	Sussex	5	1	5	1	5	1	7	1	6	1
Frankford	Sussex	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0
Frederica	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgetown	Sussex	18	2	18	2	16	2	12	1	14	2
Greenwood	Sussex	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	1	3	1
Harrington	Kent	10	1	9	1	10	1	10	1	9	1
Kenton	Kent									1	0

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employee Type 2008-12

Agency	County	20	08	20	09	2010		20	11	2012		
		Officers	Civilians									
Laurel	Sussex	15	1	16	1	13	1	13	1	14	1	
Lewes	Sussex	13	1	13	1	12	1	13	1	11	0	
Middletown	New Castle	24	2	27	3	27	4	28	5	29	4	
Milford	Kent/Sussex	30	9	30	10	30	10	27	10	30	10	
Milton	Sussex	10	1	9	2	9	1	11	1	10	1	
Millsboro	Sussex	14	1	14	1	12	1	11	1	11	1	
New Castle County	New Castle	356	108	360	108	351	113	325	117	356	105	
Police												
New Castle City	New Castle	17	2	16	2	17	2	17	2	17	2	
Newark	New Castle	63	16	61	16	64	16	68	16	66	17	
Newport	New Castle	8	1	7	0	7	0	7	1	7	0	
Ocean View	Sussex	8	1	7	1	7	1	8	1	7	1	
Rehoboth	Sussex	19	11	18	11	15	11	15	11	15	11	
Seaford	Sussex	27	11	27	11	27	11	26	11	27	10	
Selbyville	Sussex	7	1	8	1	8	1	7	1	6	1	
Smyrna	Kent	22	7	22	7	22	7	22	7	23	7	
South Bethany	Sussex	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	
Wilmington	New Castle	302	86	318	87	334	62	321	63	307	61	
Wyoming	Kent	3	0	4	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	
City/Town Totals:		1,149	296	1,166	301	1,169	281	1,127	290	1,151	272	
Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement	All Counties	15	3	12	3	14	2	15	3	14	4	
DNREC-Environmental Crimes Unit	All Counties	11	2	12	2	9	2	9	2	9	2	
Amtrak Police	New Castle	12	0	12	0	19	0	14	0	14	0	

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employee Type (continued)

Agency	County	20	08		09	20	10	20	11	20	12
		Officers	Civilians								
Capitol Police	All Counties	39	24	41	24	41	24	45	27	48	26
Delaware State University	Kent	18	20	18	21	19	19	19	14	14	17
Delaware River and Bay Authority	New Castle/ Sussex	50	16	48	17	46	17	43	14	44	15
US Drug Enforcement Administration	New Castle	9	4	5	3	18	5	17	4	18	4
Fire Marshall	All Counties	19	36	20	34	20	33	19	33	20	33
DNREC-Fish & Wildlife Enforcement	All Counties	24	5	24	5	26	5	26	5	26	5
DSP Drug Diversion Unit	All Counties	5	0	5	0	6	0	5	0	4	0
DNREC-Parks and Natural Resources	All Counties	21	0	19	0	19	0	18	0	18	0
University of Delaware	New Castle/ Sussex	46	46	48	34	51	26	50	28	47	29
Wilmington Fire Marshall	New Castle	12	0	12	5	9	7	10	5	10	2
Special Police Organizat	tion Totals	281	156	276	148	297	140	290	135	286	137
Officer and Civilian Totals	5	2,109	692	2,114	678	2,128	650	2,069	663	2,096	656
Attorney General's (AG) Office	Kent	26	27	29	27	35	25	39	30	36	30
AG Office	New Castle	144	129	140	103	143	145	146	146	148	142
AG Office	Sussex	22	29	22	28	23	27	25	24	26	21
Attorney General's Offi	ce Totals	192	185	191	158	201	197	210	200	210	193
Overall Totals		2,301	877	2,305	836	2,329	847	2,279	863	2,306	849

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employ	ee Type (continued)
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## **TECHNICAL APPENDIX**

## Statistical Refinements for Crime in Delaware 2008-2012

As mentioned earlier in this report, *Crime in Delaware* has undergone statistical refinements from time to time for a variety of reasons. In 2013, Crime in Delaware entered a period of transition and The Delaware Statistical Analysis Center used that transition as an opportunity to reflect on possible improvements to *Crime and Delaware*. This section provides a more detailed discussion of the statistical refinements that have been made for this year and the rationale and issues underlying those refinements.

The following statistical refinements were made for *Crime in Delaware 2008-2012*:

**Standardizing the reference periods for prior year data.** As discussed in the body of this report, the nature of policing and crime reporting means that crime data are rarely ever complete or 'final.' To some extent, crime data are often in flux – additions to, deletions from, and corrections to the data for a given year can continue to be made for years. Some crimes are only detected or reported years after they occurred. Old reported crimes may finally be solved leading to new arrests. Some crimes may involve lengthy investigations before charges are finally filed and arrests made. In some circumstances, a reported crime may prove to be unsubstantiated, requiring the removal of that crime from NIBRS data. The resolution of other data management issues, such as lags in when agencies submit their final data; missing data; reporting inaccuracies; etc., may also not occur until later years. The effect of all of these issues is that each time a 'final' NIBRS crime report is run for a given year, the data will almost always be different to some extent.

Examination of Delaware's NIBRS annual crime data reports from 2007 through 2011 indicate that the total number of offenses generally increases by about 1.25% from the time a reporting year ends until 12-15 months later (see Table A-1 and Figure A-1). After that time, there are generally few additions to the number of offenses.

This relatively small change, however, can create problems when examining percentage differences in the number of offenses from one year to the next. The instability in the data during the first 12-months following reporting year end creates a distortion in the percentage difference between years. This distortion is particularly problematic when the likely size of the actual difference is less than 10%. As an example to illustrate this point, assume that the likely actual difference in offenses between two years is an increase of 2%. If a comparison is made between those two years using stable, final data for the earliest year and data run 3 months

after the close of the more recent year, the increase would appear to only be about 0.75%. In this case, the amount of the increase would be understated by more than 50%!

Further examination of distortion patterns that occur before data become stable indicates that when comparing years using data reports run the same number of months after the end of each respective year (e.g., six months), this distortion is effectively factored out no matter when in the stability period the two reports are run. For example, in the comparative analysis for 2009 and 2010, the between-year difference using data that were considered stable was a decrease of 1.12%. When comparisons were made using reports drawn at approximately three, six, and nine months after the close of each year, the decreases were similar, ranging from - 0.96% to -1.19%. Conversely, when comparisons were made using unmatched time periods (e.g., stable data for 2009 and 3 month data for 2010), differences were much more variable, ranging from an increase of 0.12% to a decrease of 2.2%. The farther apart the time periods are, the more distortion is introduced into the year-to-year difference.

Considering these issues related to distortion, a statistical refinement was made to only compare years using data that are at similar levels of maturity, using data considered 'final' and stable whenever possible.

		Increase in the Number of Offenses Compared to Time 1		
	Months			
Year	T1-T4	T1-T2	T1-T3	T1-T4
2011	11	0.76%	1.06%	1.11%
2010	12	0.66%	1.01%	1.10%
2009	20	0.89%	1.20%	1.26%
2008	35	0.71%	0.93%	1.78%
2007	10	2.99%	3.35%	3.47%



Figure A-1: NIBRS offense data generally stabilize after 9 months

Table A-2: Distortion Created When Comparing Years Using Different Time Periods

	Year-to-Year Difference Previous Year Time 4 with Time 1 of the Next Year	Year-to-Year Difference Using T4 for Both Years	Distortion Amount
2011-12	-2.73%	-2.26%*	20.80%
2010-11	-2.13%	-1.04%	104.81%
2009-10	-2.20%	-1.12%	96.43%
2008-09	-6.29%	-5.11%	23.09%
2007-08	0.02%	1.80%	-99.12%
*compared at Time 1 for both years			

**Consider the data report for a year to be 'final' once the data are judged to be sufficiently stable**. Given the data variation and maturity issues described earlier in this section and the need to use common reference points for making year to year comparisons, a second refinement was made. Re-running all data reports each year and then updating the *Crime in Delaware* report is a very labor intensive effort. Given that offense data change little after 12 to 15 months, the return on such a labor investment is very minimal. Therefore, in order to strike a balance between making efficient use of personnel resources and reporting data that, from a statistical analysis perspective, are acceptably complete and sound, a decision was made to consider Delaware crime data for a year to be final when the data are judged to be sufficiently stable (usually 12 to 15 months after the end of reporting year).

**Comparing year-to-year difference using data that are similar levels of maturity**. The distortion issues described above and the scope and publication schedule of *Crime in Delaware* create a dilemma when examining differences from one year to the next. Since *Crime in Delaware* has historically included data from the most recently completed calendar year (which have not yet stabilized) and stable data from prior years, computing differences between years creates a challenge. Differences cannot be calculated using both stable final data and data that are preliminary without introducing distortion that can be quite significant. Since it necessary to use data for the most recent year that are three to five months into the 12 to 15 month maturity process, the process of calculating year-to-year differences was modified as follows:

For calculating differences between the most recent year and prior years: Data reports generated three to five months from the close of each year covered in the *Crime in Delaware* report were used in calculating differences between the most recent year and 1) the oldest year covered in the report; 2) the year immediately preceding the most recent year; and 3) the average of the four years prior to the most recent year. These calculations are reported in the gray shaded areas of tables that report out year-to-year differences. Note that only preliminary data for the current year and final data for all prior years are reported in the tables in this report.

<u>For calculating differences only between prior years</u>: In calculating these differences, only final, stable data are used. These calculations are reported in the unshaded areas of the appropriate tables.

<u>Trend graphs are used to plot prior and current year data</u>: For the purposes of exploring trends in crime, as appropriate, graphs using final data for prior years and preliminary data for the current year are provided. These graphs provide a visual portrayal of change over time that is less sensitive to the effects of distortion described earlier.

## **Detailed Explanation of Clearance Rates**

In crime analysis, criminal offenses are considered to be 'solved' through either an arrest or through an alternative means when a suspect(s) has been identified but an arrest cannot be made. When an offense is solved in this way, it is considered to have been 'cleared' for crime reporting purposes. The federal definition of *clearance rate* is the percentage of offenses received that are 'solved' through an arrest or by exceptional means. An offense is 'cleared by arrest' for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of the offense, and turned over to the court for prosecution.

In certain situations, an offender cannot be arrested and formally charged. When this happens, the offense can be cleared by *exceptional means*. This type of clearance can be made if the following four conditions are met:

- the offender can be identified.
- there is enough evidence to support an arrest, make a charge, and turn over the offender to the court for prosecution.
- the offender's exact location is known so that the suspect could be taken into custody immediately.
- there are circumstances outside the control of law enforcement that prohibits the agency from arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender.

Examples of exceptional clearances include, but are not limited to:

- the death of the offender;
- confession of the offender under circumstances where prosecution is not possible (e.g., a death bed confession, a confession made while serving a life sentence in another jurisdiction and extradition for trial is not possible)
- the refusal of a victim to cooperate with the prosecution after the offender has been identified;
- denial of extradition (e.g., because the offender committed a crime in another jurisdiction and is being prosecuted for that offense).
- The handling of minor juvenile offenses outside of juvenile court as a matter of publicly accepted police policy.

#### Clearances involving only persons under 18 years of age

When a juvenile offender is cited to appear in juvenile court or before other juvenile authorities, the FBI considers the incident in question to be cleared by arrest, even though a physical arrest may not have occurred. When clearances involve juvenile and adult offenders, those incidents are classified by the FBI as clearances for crimes committed by adults. Since clearance percentages for crimes involving juvenile offenders only include clearances where an adult was not also involved, juvenile clearance figures should be interpreted with caution – they do not present a definitive picture of juvenile involvement in crime.

#### Some Factors that Affect Clearance Rates

*Single versus Multiple Offenses:* In some situations, an offender may commit multiple criminal offenses, either in a single incident of crime or over several incidents. In other situations, two or more people may commit a single offense during a single criminal incident. These situations each work differently with respect to clearances. In the first example, the arrest or identification of that person can clear multiple offenses, while in the second example, the arrest or identification of several persons would only clear one offense.

*The Nature of Some Types of Crime:* Violent criminal offenses (murder, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault) often undergo a more intensive investigative effort than crimes against property. Also, victims and/or witnesses often identify the perpetrators. Property crimes such as theft from a motor vehicle or vandalism often occur in the absence of witnesses, making it more difficult to identify suspects. Consequently, violent crimes tend to have higher clearance rates than property offenses. Drug/Narcotic offenses clear at high rates because of the nature of those crimes and how they come to the attention of law enforcement agencies.

# **FBI NIBRS CRIME DEFINITIONS**

Criminal Offense	Definition
Arson	The willful and malicious burning of a dwelling, motor vehicle, or other
	personal property, with or without the intent to defraud.
Assault Offenses	
Aggravated	An unlawful attack by one person upon another wherein the offender uses a
	weapon or displays it in a threatening manner, or the victim suffers obvious
	severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of
	teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.
Simple	An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the
	offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or
	aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth,
	possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.
Bribery	The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value (i.e., a bribe,
	gratuity, or kickback) to sway the judgment or action of a person in a
	position of trust or influence.
Burglary/Breaking and	The unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to
Entering	commit a felony or a theft. Burglary: The unlawful entry (or attempted entry)
-	into a building or structure to commit a crime.
Counterfeiting or	The altering, copying, or imitation of something, without authority or right,
Forgery	with the intent to deceive or defraud by passing the copy or thing altered or
	imitated as that which is original or genuine; or the selling, buying or
	possession of an altered, copied, or imitated thing with the intent to deceive
	or defraud.
Destruction, Damage, or	To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real
Vandalism of Property	or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having
	custody or control of it.
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of
	certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their
	preparation and/or use.
Drug Equipment	The unlawful manufacture, sale, purchase, possession, or transportation of
Violation	equipment or devices utilized in preparing and/or using drugs or narcotics.
Embezzlement	The unlawful misappropriation by an offender to his/her own use or purpose
	of money, property, or some other thing of value entrusted to his/her care,
	custody, or control.
Extortion or Blackmail	To unlawfully obtain money, property, or any other thing of value, either
	tangible or intangible, through the use or threat of force, misuse of
	authority, threat of criminal prosecution, threat of destruction of reputation
	or social standing, or through other coercive means.
Fraud Offenses	
False Pretense,	The intentional misrepresentation of existing fact or condition, or the use of
Swindle, Confidence	some other deceptive scheme or device, to obtain money, goods, or other
Game	things of value.
Credit Card/ ATM	The unlawful use of a credit (or debit) card or automatic teller machine for
Fraud	fraudulent purposes. This offense does not apply to the theft of a

Criminal Offense	Definition
	credit/debit card but rather its fraudulent use.
Impersonation	Falsely representing one's identity or position, and acting in the character or position thus unlawfully assumed, to deceive others and thereby gain a profit or advantage, enjoy some right or privilege, or subject another person or entity to an expense, charge, or liability which would not have otherwise been incurred.
Welfare Fraud	The use of deceitful statements, practices or devices to unlawfully obtain welfare benefits.
Wire Fraud	The use of an electric or electronic communications facility to intentionally transmit a false and/or deceptive message in furtherance of a fraudulent activity.
Gambling Offenses	To unlawfully bet or wager money or something else of value; assist, promote, or operate a game of chance for money or some other stake; possess or transmit wagering information; manufacture, sell, purchase, possess, or transport gambling equipment, devices, or goods; or tamper with the outcome of a sporting event or contest to gain a gambling advantage.
Gambling Equipment Violations	To unlawfully manufacture, sell, buy, possess, or transport equipment, devices, and/or goods used for gambling purposes. Such equipment is also known as "gambling paraphernalia".
Operating/	To unlawfully operate, promote, or assist in the operation of a game of
Promoting/ Assisting	chance, lottery, or other gambling activity.
Sports Tampering	To unlawfully alter, meddle in, or otherwise interfere with a sporting contest or event for the purpose of gaining a gambling advantage. This offense includes engaging in bribery for gambling purposes.
Other	Betting/Wagering: To unlawfully stake money or something else of value on the happening of an uncertain event or on the ascertainment of a fact in dispute.
Homicide Offenses	
Criminal Homicide	This includes Murder – the willful, non-negligent killing of one human being by another – and negligent Manslaughter.
Justifiable Homicide	The killing of a perpetrator of a serious criminal offense by a peace officer in the line of duty; or the killing, during the commission of a serious criminal offense, of the perpetrator by a private individual.
Kidnapping or Abduction	The unlawful seizure, transportation, and/or detention of a person against his/her will, or of a minor without the consent of his/her custodial parent(s) or legal guardian. This offense includes not only kidnapping and abduction, but hostage situations as well.
Larceny-Theft Offenses	The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession, or constructive possession, of another person.
Pocket-Picking	The theft of articles from another person's physical possession by stealth where the victim usually does not become immediately aware of the theft.
Purse-Snatching	The grabbing or snatching of a purse, handbag, etc., from the physical possession of another person.
Shoplifting	The theft, by someone other than an employee of the victim, of goods or merchandise exposed for sale.

Criminal Offense	Definition
Theft from Motor	The theft of articles from a motor vehicle, whether locked or unlocked.
Vehicle	
Theft of Motor	The theft of any part or accessory affixed to the interior or exterior of a
Vehicle Parts or	motor vehicle in a manner which would make the item an attachment of the
Accessories	vehicle or necessary for its operation.
Theft from Building	A theft from within a building which is either open to the general public or
C C	where the offender has legal access.
Theft from a Coin-	A theft from a machine or device which is operated or activated by the use of
Operated Machine or	coins.
Device	
All Other Larceny	All thefts which do not fit any of the definitions of the specific subcategories
	of Larceny/Theft listed above.
Motor Vehicle Theft	The theft (or attempted theft) of a motor vehicle by person(s) without lawful
	access to the vehicle.
Pornography/ Obscene	The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, publishing,
Material	sale, purchase, or possession of sexually explicit material, e.g., literature,
	photographs, etc.
Prostitution Offenses	
Prostitution	To unlawfully engage in sexual relations for profit. This offense includes
	prostitution by both males and females.
Assisting or	To solicit customers or transport persons for prostitution purposes; to own,
Promoting	manage, or operate a dwelling or other establishment for the purpose of
Prostitution	providing a place where prostitution is performed; or to otherwise assist or
	promote prostitution.
Robbery	Feloniously taking or attempting to take anything of value from someone by
,	force, threat of force, violence, and/or by putting the victim in fear.
Sex Offenses, Forcible	Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that
	person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is
	incapable of giving consent.
Forcible Rape	The carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and/or against that person's will;
·	or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of
	giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or
	physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth).
Forcible Sodomy	Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against
	that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim
	is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her
	temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
Sexual Assault with	To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the
an Object	genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or
	against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where
	the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because
	of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity. An
	"object" or "instrument" is anything used by the offender other than the
	offender's genitalia.

Criminal Offense	Definition
Forcible Fondling	The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of this/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
Sex Offenses, Non- Forcible	Unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.
Incest	Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
Statutory Rape	Non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.
Stolen Property Offenses	Receiving, buying, selling, possessing, concealing, or transporting any property with the knowledge that it has been unlawfully taken, as by burglary, embezzlement, fraud, larceny, robbery, etc.
Weapon Law Violations	The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons. Includes violations such as the manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; using, manufacturing, etc. silencers; and furnishing deadly weapons to minors.
All Other Offenses	All crime which are not Group-A offenses and not included in one of the specifically named Group B crime categories listed above. Offenses of general applicability (i.e., any offense prefixed by "accessory before/after the fact", "aiding and abetting", "assault to commit", "conspiracy to commit", "facilitation of", "solicitation to commit", "threat to commit", or any other prefix identifying it as other than the substantive offense) are included in this category, if the substantive offense is within Group A.

# NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) CODES

## FOR GROUP "A" OFFENSES

Group "A" Offenses	National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Code
Arson	2001–2009; 2099
Assault Offenses	
Aggravated Assault	1301–1312; 1314–1315; 1321-1323
Simple Assault	1313
Intimidation	1316; 5215–5216
Bribery	5101–5113; 5199
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	2201–2205; 2207; 2299
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2501–2507; 2509; 2510; 2589; 2599
Property	2901–2906; 2999
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	
Drug/Narcotic Offenses/Violations	
Drug/Narcotic	3501–3505; 3510–3513; 3520–3523; 3530–3533; 3540
	-3543; 3560-3564; 3570-3573; 3580-3583; 3599
Drug Equipment Violations	3550
Embezzlement	2701–2705; 2799
Extortion/Blackmail	2101–2105; 2199
Fraud Offenses	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con	2601–2603; 2607; 2699
Credit Card/ATM Machine	2605
Impersonation	2604
Welfare Fraud	2609
Wire Fraud	2608
Gambling-related Offenses	
Gambling Offenses	3901–3902; 3904–3905; 3907; 3915–3916; 3918; 3920–
	3921
Gambling Equipment Violations	3908–3914
Sports Tampering	3919
Homicide Offenses	
Murder/Manslaughter	0901–0908; 0911–0912
Negligent Manslaughter	0910
Kidnapping/Abduction	1001–1009; 1099
Larceny/Theft	
Pocket-picking	2301
Purse-snatching/ Shoplifting	2302, 2303
Theft from Building	2308; 2311
From Coin Operated Machine	2307
Theft from/of Motor Vehicle	2305, 2304; 2407

Group "A" Offenses	National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Code
All Other Larceny	2306; 2309–2310; 2312–2316; 2410
Pornography/Obscene Material	3700–3706; 3799
Prostitution Offenses	
Prostitution	4003–4004
Promoting Prostitution	4001–4002; 4006; 4099
Robbery	1201–1211; 1299
Sex Offenses-Forcible	
Forcible -Rape	1101–1103
Forcible Sodomy	1104–1115
Forcible Fondling	3601 (Child)
Sex Offenses-Non-Forcible	
Incest	3604; 3607
Statutory Rape	1116
Stolen Property Offenses	2801–2805; 2899
Weapon Law Violations	5201–5214; 5299

# **CRIME BY JURISDICTION: 2011-2012**