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Ranking of 50 States by Selected Crime Rates: 2004 to 2006

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Summary

This document provides a comparative ranking of all 50 states, for the standard crime categories of Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data collected by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the years 2004 – 2006 (For a more thorough discussion of UCR data and disclaimers please see the Appendix).

Offenses that make up the Crime Index are Part I crimes—the violent crimes of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft. The UCR Program added arson in 1979 to the Crime Index. Although data on arson is reported, it is not included in the property crime subtotals.

Ranking: Higher numbers mean that the State has a lower crime rate, whereas lower numbers mean a higher crime rate.

- In nearly every category of offense from 2004 2006 Connecticut's ranking improved or stayed the same.
- Out of 50 States Connecticut ranked 40th for the second year in a row for total property crime. Property crimes are the most frequent at 2,504 per 100,000 in Connecticut.
- In 2006 Connecticut ranked 38th for larceny theft and was the highest for all the northeastern states, but overall is significantly below the National average.
- In 2006, Connecticut ranked better for the offense of burglary than every New England state except New York and New Hampshire.
- Out of 50 states, Connecticut was just below the mid point in the nation in 2006 compared to other states for motor vehicle theft, and was ranked 28th out of 50.
- Connecticut's violent crime index rank improved from 34 in 2004 to 37 in 2006.

- For robbery in 2006, Connecticut (121.0) ranked 22 out of 50, which is still less than half the crime rate of either Nevada (281.6) or Maryland (256.0).
- Connecticut had one of the lowest aggravated assault rates in the Nation in 2006, which has been continually decreasing over the last several years.
- Again, Connecticut has the third lowest rate for forcible rape in the nation, slightly behind New Jersey and New York in 2006. Alaska had the highest rate of Forcible Rape.
- For murder and non-negligent manslaughter in 2006, Connecticut ranked 32 out of 50. Louisiana's (12.4) was four times the rate of that of Connecticut (3.1)

Ranking: Higher numbers mean that the State has a lower crime rate, whereas lower numbers mean a higher crime rate. In summary, Connecticut's rankings by category of offense for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 are as follows:

Offense	2004	2005	2006
Property Crime Index	39	40	40
Larceny-Theft	39	39	38
Burglary	42	44	44
Motor Vehicle - Theft	28	29	28
Violent Crime Index	34	37	37
Robbery	19	22	22
Aggravated Assault	43	44	44
Forcible Rape	47	47	48
Murder and Manslaughter	34	35	32

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Crime Index Total

Crime Index Total

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines total crime rate as an index for gauging fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime. Also known as the Crime Index, these seven offenses included the violent crimes of murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft.

TABLE 1 -Crime Index Total: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000
	Α :	Inhabitants		A :	Inhabitants		A :	Inhabitants
1	Arizona	5,129.3	1	Arizona	5,351.2	1	Arizona	5,844.8
2	South Carolina	5,007.8	2	Washington	5,238.8	2	South Carolina	5,289.0
3	Tennessee	4,888.5	3	South Carolina	5,100.5	3	Washington	5,193.0
4	Nevada	4,830.4	4	Hawaii	5,047.7	4	Louisiana	5,048.9
5	Washington	4,825.9	5	Tennessee	5,028.3	5	Hawaii	5,047.2
6	Florida	4,698.1	6	Texas	4,861.7	6	Texas	5,034.5
7	Louisiana	4,691.4	7	New Mexico	4,850.5	7	Tennessee	5,001.7
8	Texas	4,597.8	8	Nevada	4,848.3	8	Oregon	4,929.6
9	North Carolina	4,596.4	9	Florida	4,715.9	9	Florida	4,891.0
10	New Mexico	4,580.4	10	Oregon	4,686.6	10	New Mexico	4,885.0
11	Arkansas	4,519.1	11	Georgia	4,621.2	11	Nevada	4,822.5
12	Hawaii	4,511.6	12	Arkansas	4,584.4	12	Oklahoma	4,742.6
13	Missouri	4,372.1	13	Oklahoma	4,550.6	13	Georgia	4,721.4
14	Alabama	4,361.3	14	North Carolina	4,543.2	14	North Carolina	4,608.0
15	Georgia	4,360.2	15	Missouri	4,452.9	15	Arkansas	4,512.1
16	Alaska	4,292.9	16	Colorado	4,436.0	16	Alabama	4,451.6
17	Kansas	4,175.2	17	Alabama	4,323.8	17	Missouri	4,394.0
18	Maryland	4,159.5	18	Louisiana	4,277.5	18	Kansas	4,348.0
19	Oklahoma	4,101.6	19	Maryland	4,247.1	19	Maryland	4,340.7
20	Delaware	4,099.5	20	Alaska	4,244.4	20	Utah	4,321.6
21	Ohio	4,029.0	21	Kansas	4,174.4	21	Colorado	4,292.8
22	Oregon	3,952.4	22	Utah	4,096.1	22	Alaska	4,017.3
23	Colorado	3,843.0	23	Ohio	4,014.0	23	Ohio	4,015.0
24	Indiana	3,817.3	24	California	3,848.9	24	California	3,970.8
25	Michigan	3,775.2	25	Indiana	3,780.0	25	Nebraska	3,829.3
26	Utah	3,740.8	26	Delaware	3,743.5	26	Minnesota	3,773.6
27	California		27	Nebraska		27		
		3,703.3			3,710.2		Mississippi	3,773.6
28	Nebraska	3,622.5	28	Michigan	3,643.2	28	Delaware	3,732.3
29	Illinois	3,561.2	29	Illinois	3,631.8	29	Illinois	3,729.0
30	Mississippi	3,507.4	30	Mississippi	3,538.5	30	Indiana	3,723.0
31	Minnesota	3,391.5	31	Montana	3,424.4	31	Wyoming	3,563.9
32	Wyoming	3,220.2	32	Wyoming	3,385.4	32	Michigan	3,547.8
33	Wisconsin	3,101.8	33	Minnesota	3,381.1	33	Montana	3,230.0
34	lowa	3,086.2	34	Iowa	3,125.0	34	Iowa	3,176.2
35	Montana	2,941.3	35	Rhode Island	2,970.1	35	Rhode Island	3,131.5
36	West Virginia	2,901.3	36	Idaho	2,954.7	36	Idaho	3,039.3
37	Pennsylvania	2,882.9	37	Virginia	2,921.0	37	Virginia	2,952.2
38	Massachusetts	2,838.0	38	Wisconsin	2,901.7	38	Massachusetts	2,918.5
39	Rhode Island	2,814.4	39	West Virginia	2,898.0	39	Connecticut	2,913.5
40	Kentucky	2,807.5	40	Pennsylvania	2,841.7	40	Wisconsin	2,872.7
41	Connecticut	2,784.9	41	Connecticut	2,832.5	41	Pennsylvania	2,826.1
42	Virginia	2,760.4	42	Massachusetts	2,820.5	42	New Jersey	2,784.9
43	Idaho	2,666.0	43	Kentucky	2,797.3	43	Kentucky	2,782.6
44	New Jersey	2,643.5	44	New Jersey	2,687.7	44	West Virginia	2,777.4
45	Maine	2,634.1	45	New York	2,554.3	45	New York	2,640.2
46	New York	2,487.6	46	Maine	2,525.3	46	Maine	2,513.1
47	Vermont	2,441.2	47	Vermont	2,400.4	47	Vermont	2,420.2
48	North Dakota	2,128.1	48	North Dakota	2,076.4	48	New Hampshire	2,207.1
49	New Hampshire	2,012.8	49	South Dakota	1,952.1	49	South Dakota	2,105.0
50	South Dakota	1,791.0	50	New Hampshire	1,928.4	50	North Dakota	1,996.0

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2004-2006, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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Property Crime Rate

Property Crime

Definition: Property crime includes the offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims. The property crime category includes arson because the offense involves the destruction of property; however, arson victims may be subjected to force.

TABLE 2 – **Property Crime: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006**(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants
1	Arizona	4,627.9	1	Washington	4,893.0	1	Arizona	5,340.5
2	Washington	4,480.0	2	Arizona	4,838.0	2	Washington	4,849.2
3	South Carolina	4,242.3	3	Hawaii	4,792.6	3	Hawaii	4,792.8
4	Hawaii	4,230.4	4	Oregon	4,399.8	4	Oregon	4,631.3
5	Tennessee	4,128.3	5	South Carolina	4,339.4	5	South Carolina	4,504.8
6	North Carolina	4,120.8	6	Texas	4,332.0	6	Texas	4,494.0
7	Nevada	4,088.8	7	Tennessee	4,275.5	7	Louisiana	4,410.2
8	Texas	4,081.5	8	Nevada	4,241.5	8	Tennessee	4,306.5
9	Louisiana	3,993.7	9	Georgia	4,172.3	9	Georgia	4,265.9
10	Florida	3,986.1	10	New Mexico	4,148.3	10	Oklahoma	4,242.1
11	Arkansas	3,967.5	11	North Carolina	4,075.1	11	Nevada	4,206.6
12	New Mexico	3,937.2	12	Arkansas	4,057.9	12	New Mexico	4,197.7
13	Alabama	3,936.1	13	Oklahoma	4,042.0	13	Florida	4,179.7
14	Georgia	3,889.2	14	Colorado	4,039.5	14	North Carolina	4,160.2
15	Missouri	3,826.5	15	Florida	4,007.9	15	Utah	4,085.6
16	Kansas	3,750.2	16	Missouri	3,927.5	16	Alabama	4,025.0
17	Ohio	3,678.6	17	Alabama	3,892.1	17	Arkansas	4,013.0
18	Oregon	3,672.1	18	Utah	3,868.9	18	Kansas	3,973.5
19	Alaska	3,604.9	19	Kansas	3,787.0	19	Colorado	3,919.3
20	Oklahoma	3,604.2	20	Louisiana	3,683.1	20	Missouri	3,903.5
21	Utah	3,516.4	21	Ohio	3,662.7	21	Ohio	3,673.2
22	Indiana	3,502.4	22	Alaska	3,612.5	22	Maryland	3,640.2
23	Maryland	3,480.9	23	Maryland	3,544.1	23	Nebraska	3,520.6
24	Colorado	3,451.3	24	Indiana	3,456.3	24	Mississippi	3,478.5
25	Delaware	3,417.9	25	Nebraska	3,423.2	25	California	3,419.0
26	Nebraska	3,340.7	26	California	3,322.6	26	Indiana	3,397.6
27	Michigan	3,212.8	27	Mississippi	3,260.1	27	Alaska	3,382.2
28	Mississippi	3,208.8	28	Wyoming	3,155.3	28	Wyoming	3,334.3
29	California	3,170.9	29	Montana	3,142.9	29	Illinois	3,186.1
30	Minnesota	3,079.5	30	Delaware	3,111.4	30	Delaware	3,163.9
31	Illinois	3,019.6	31	Michigan	3,091.1	31	Michigan	3,057.6
32	Wyoming	2,980.6	32	Minnesota	3,084.1	32	Minnesota	3,039.0
33	Wisconsin	2,817.8	33	Illinois	3,080.3	33	Montana	2,936.2
34	Iowa	2,802.7	34	Iowa	2,833.7	34	Iowa	2,905.3
35	Montana	2,687.5	35	Rhode Island	2,718.9	35	Rhode Island	2,884.1
36	West Virginia	2,621.5	36	Idaho	2,697.9	36	Idaho	2,794.4
37	Rhode Island	2,586.9	37	Wisconsin	2,660.2	37	Virginia	2,676.6
38	Kentucky	2,544.5	38	Virginia	2,638.2	38	Wisconsin	2,663.1
39	Maine	2,518.7	39	West Virginia	2,625.2	39	Connecticut	2,627.2
40	Connecticut	2,504.1	40	Connecticut	2,558.0	40	Kentucky	2,537.7
41	Virginia	2,478.2	41	Kentucky	2,530.5	41	West Virginia	2,506.2
42	Pennsylvania	2,443.5	42	Pennsylvania	2,417.2	42	Massachusetts	2,459.7
43	Idaho	2,418.8	43	Maine	2,413.1	43	New Jersey	2,429.2
44	Massachusetts	2,391.0	44	Massachusetts	2,363.6	44	Pennsylvania	2,415.0
45	Vermont	2,304.7	45	New Jersey	2,333.0	45	Maine	2,409.6
46	New Jersey	2,291.9	46	Vermont	2,280.7	46	Vermont	2,308.2
47	New York	2,052.7	47	New York	2,108.5	47	New York	2,198.6
48	North Dakota	2,000.3	48	North Dakota	1,978.2	48	New Hampshire	2,040.1
49	New Hampshire	1,874.1	49	New Hampshire	1,796.4	49	South Dakota	1,933.5
50	South Dakota	1,619.6	50	South Dakota	1,776.4	50	North Dakota	1,916.6

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2004-2006, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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Larceny-Theft Rate

Larceny-Theft

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines larceny-theft as the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. It includes crimes such as pick-pocketing, shoplifting, purse snatching, thefts from motor vehicles (including vehicle parts and accessories), bicycle thefts, etc., in which no use of force, violence, or fraud occurs. Motor vehicle theft is not included here as it is a separate category.

TABLE 3 - Larceny-Theft: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005				
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants
1	Hawaii	2,949.1	1	Hawaii	3,308.4	1	Arizona	3,387.2
2	South Carolina	2,873.0	2	Washington	3,149.5	2	Oregon	3,279.0
3	Washington	2,850.7	3	Oregon	3,112.2	3	Hawaii	3,252.8
4	Arizona	2,813.1	4	Arizona	2,965.2	4	Washington	3,175.0
5	Texas	2,758.2	5	Texas	2,961.7	5	Utah	3,128.2
6	Tennessee	2,713.2	6	South Carolina	2,954.1	6	South Carolina	3,097.9
7	Kansas	2,712.0	7	Utah	2,918.8	7	Texas	3,097.0
8	Alabama	2,644.3	8	Tennessee	2,828.1	8	Louisiana	2,969.2
9	Oregon	2,636.1	9	Kansas	2,758.1	9	Kansas	2,934.0
10	Missouri	2,627.0	10	Georgia	2,751.1	10	Oklahoma	2,874.1
11	Florida	2,619.0	11	Missouri	2,746.2	11	Tennessee	2,866.8
12	Utah	2,614.5	12	Colorado	2,735.2	12	Georgia	2,825.0
13	Alaska	2,610.2	13	Arkansas	2,711.2	13	Florida	2,773.3
14	Louisiana	2,579.7	14	Florida	2,658.3	14	Missouri	2,750.2
15	North Carolina	2,567.9	15	Alabama	2,650.0	15	New Mexico	2,735.7
16	Arkansas	2,562.1	16	Oklahoma	2,644.2	16	Alabama	2,729.5
17	Nebraska	2,521.3	17	New Mexico	2,639.9	17	Arkansas	2,683.8
18	Georgia	2,519.3	18	Alaska	2,599.1	18	Colorado	2,679.0
19	Ohio	2,442.8	19	Nebraska	2,574.3	19	North Carolina	2,659.4
20	Indiana	2,424.8	20	North Carolina	2,546.2	20	Nebraska	2,655.6
21	New Mexico	2,395.5	21	Montana	2,543.0	21	Wyoming	2,636.0
22	Wyoming	2,379.4	22	Wyoming	2,533.9	22	Ohio	2,470.6
23	Delaware	2,362.8	23	Louisiana	2,494.5	23	Alaska	2,465.4
24	Colorado	2,331.8	24	Ohio	2,429.0	24	Indiana	2,383.5
25	Oklahoma	2,270.5	25	Indiana	2,412.0	25	Montana	2,382.4
26	Maryland	2,270.4	26	Maryland	2,294.3	26	Maryland	2,335.1
27	Minnesota	2,236.6	27	Minnesota	2,226.9	27	Illinois	2,271.3
28	Montana	2,191.8	28	Illinois	2,164.8	28	Delaware	2,257.1
29	Illinois	2,124.2	29	Nevada	2,153.9	29	Mississippi	2,254.2
30	Wisconsin	2,079.5	30	Delaware	2,144.0	30	Nevada	2,246.0
31	lowa	2,030.7	31	Mississippi	2,083.9	31	Minnesota	2,224.2
32	Nevada	2,013.8	32	lowa	2,042.7	32	Iowa	2,107.3
33	Mississippi	1,986.1	33	Virginia	2,035.0	33	Virginia	2,057.2
34	Michigan	1,963.5	34	Wisconsin	1,992.8	34	Idaho	2,051.5
35	Maine	1,904.3	35	Idaho	1,931.7	35	California	2,030.1
36	Virginia	1,866.8	36	Michigan	1,917.8	36	Wisconsin	2,023.6
37	California	1,829.1	37	California	1,916.5	37	Rhode Island	2,023.0
38	Connecticut	1,788.4	38	Maine	1,832.6	38		1,921.0
	West Virginia			Connecticut	1,824.1		Michigan Connecticut	1,868.1
39 40	Rhode Island	1,771.8	39 40	Rhode Island		39 40	Maine	1,829.3
	Pennsylvania			West Virginia	1,816.0			
41 42	Idaho	1,742.9 1,740.0	41	Pennsylvania	1,794.0	41	Pennsylvania Kentucky	1,726.5 1,701.3
	Vermont	1,681.8			1,729.1		West Virginia	-
43	Kentucky	1,679.9	43	Vermont Kentucky	1,686.1	43	Vermont	1,698.1 1,670.8
					1,685.8			-
45	Massachusetts	1,565.4	45	New York	1,569.6	45	New York	1,617.7
46	New Jersey	1,556.5	46	New Jersey	1,568.4	46	New Jersey	1,609.1
47	New York	1,531.1	47	Massachusetts	1,527.4	47	Massachusetts	1,578.8
48	North Dakota	1,464.8	48	North Dakota	1,500.3	48	New Hampshire	1,508.5
49	New Hampshire	1,434.5	48	New Hampshire	1,377.3	48	North Dakota	1,472.7
50	South Dakota	1,188.9	50	South Dakota	1,343.7	50	South Dakota	1,415.3

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Burglary Rate

Burglary

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines burglary as the unlawful entry (forceful or not) of a structure to commit a felony or theft.

TABLE 4 – **Burglary: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006** (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004			
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants		
1	North Carolina	1,212.7	1	North Carolina	1,201.1	1	North Carolina	1,184.8		
2	Arkansas	1,139.9	2	New Mexico	1,093.9	2	Arkansas	1,093.5		
3	New Mexico	1,069.7	3	Arkansas	1,084.6	3	New Mexico	1,046.8		
4	Louisiana	1,049.2	4	Tennessee	1,026.9	4	South Carolina	1,034.4		
5	Tennessee	1,040.9	5	Oklahoma	1,006.0	5	Tennessee	1,020.3		
6	Nevada	994.6	6	South Carolina	1,000.9	6	Louisiana	1,004.5		
7	South Carolina	989.8	7	Nevada	972.4	7	Oklahoma	1,000.2		
8	Alabama	969.1	8	Texas	961.6	8	Nevada	991.2		
9	Oklahoma	960.5	9	Washington	959.7	9	Arizona	990.4		
10	Florida	944.6	10	Alabama	953.8	10	Alabama	986.0		
11	Mississippi	935.9	11	Arizona	948.4	11	Texas	978.7		
12	Arizona	925.3	12	Georgia	931.0	12	Washington	977.3		
13	Texas	917.3	13	Florida	926.3	13	Florida	956.1		
14	Washington	911.6	14	Mississippi	919.7	14	Mississippi	952.9		
15	Ohio	909.8	15	Ohio	872.8	15	Georgia	940.0		
16	Georgia	909.0	16	Louisiana	870.6	16	Hawaii	857.4		
17	Missouri	764.1	17	Hawaii	767.9	17	Ohio	846.1		
18	Michigan	753.9	18	Oregon	758.6	18	Oregon	836.6		
19	Indiana	731.3	19	Colorado	744.8	19	Kansas	731.1		
20	Delaware	725.2	20	Missouri	738.3	20	Colorado	717.3		
21	Kansas	723.3	21	Indiana	697.6	21	Missouri	703.3		
22	Colorado	682.1	22	Michigan	696.8	22	California	685.1		
23	Hawaii	677.5	23	California	693.3	23	Indiana	676.0		
24	California	676.0	24	Kansas	689.2	24	Maryland	660.0		
25	Maryland	667.0	25	Delaware	688.9	25	Delaware	648.3		
26	Oregon	645.2	26	Maryland	641.4	26	Utah	637.1		
27	Kentucky	644.8	27	Kentucky	634.0	27	Michigan	636.8		
28	West Virginia	634.1	28	Alaska	622.5	28	Kentucky	624.8		
29	Alaska	617.3	29	West Virginia	621.2	29	Iowa	615.1		
30	Iowa	604.2	30	Illinois	606.9	30	West Virginia	602.2		
31	Illinois	602.1	31	Iowa	606.4	31	Illinois	597.3		
32	Minnesota	583.9	32	Utah	606.2	32	Alaska	575.6		
33	Utah	576.5	33	Minnesota	578.9	33	Nebraska	562.4		
34	Massachusetts	546.5	34	Idaho	564.4	34	Minnesota	549.9		
35	Nebraska	534.5	35	Massachusetts	541.1	35	Idaho	547.3		
36	Vermont	528.9	36	Nebraska	532.4	36	Vermont	544.9		
37	Idaho	513.2	37	Rhode Island	494.2	37	Wyoming	540.5		
38	Maine	512.9	38	Vermont	491.8	38	Massachusetts	537.2		
39	Rhode Island	507.2	39	Maine	478.5	39	Rhode Island	505.7		
40	Wisconsin	485.8	40	Wyoming	476.3	40	Maine	481.4		
41	Pennsylvania	463.2	41	Pennsylvania	451.6	41	New Jersey	471.7		
42	New Jersey	452.0	42	New Jersey	447.1	42	Connecticut	444.4		
43	Wyoming	450.5	43	Wisconsin	440.8	43	Pennsylvania	438.8		
44	Connecticut	419.3	44	Connecticut	437.1	44	Wisconsin	433.0		
45	Virginia	417.6	45	Virginia	392.1	45	South Dakota	408.5		
46	North Dakota	376.3	46	Montana	389.2	46	Virginia	386.0		
47	New York	355.1	47	New Hampshire	371.0	47	New Hampshire	382.1		
48	South Dakota	338.9	48	New York	353.3	48	Montana	379.2		
49	New Hampshire	331.4	49	South Dakota	324.4	49	New York	367.7		
50	Montana	310.7	50	North Dakota	311.9	50	North Dakota	301.1		

 $Source: FBI's\ Crime\ in\ the\ United\ States, 2004-2006, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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Motor Vehicle – Theft Rate

Motor Vehicle - Theft

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines motor vehicle theft as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle (including automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, snowmobiles, etc.). It excludes the taking of a motor vehicle for temporary use by those persons having lawful access.

TABLE 5 - Motor Vehicle - Theft: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004		
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	
1	Nevada	1,080.4	1	Nevada	1,115.2	1	Nevada	969.5	
2	Arizona	889.5	2	Arizona	924.4	2	Arizona	962.9	
3	Washington	717.6	3	Washington	783.9	3	California	703.8	
4	California	665.7	4	Hawaii	716.4	4	Washington	696.9	
5	Hawaii	603.9	5	California	712.8	5	Hawaii	682.6	
6	Maryland	543.5	6	Maryland	608.4	6	Maryland	645.2	
7	Michigan	495.4	7	Colorado	559.5	7	Colorado	522.9	
8	New Mexico	472.0	8	Oregon	529.0	8	Oregon	515.6	
9	Georgia	460.9	9	Georgia	490.2	9	Georgia	501.0	
10	Colorado	437.5	10	Michigan	476.5	10	Michigan	499.9	
11	Missouri	435.3	11	Missouri	443.1	11	Florida	450.2	
12	Florida	422.5	12	Florida	423.3	12	Missouri	450.0	
13	Texas	405.9	13	Tennessee	420.6	13	Louisiana	436.6	
14	Oregon	390.7	14	New Mexico	414.5	14	Tennessee	419.4	
15	South Carolina	379.6	15	Rhode Island	408.7	15	Texas	418.3	
16	Alaska	377.4	16	Texas	408.7	16	New Mexico	415.2	
17	Tennessee	374.1	17	Oklahoma	391.8	17	Rhode Island	377.4	
18	Oklahoma	373.2	18	Alaska	391.0	18	South Carolina	372.5	
19	Louisiana	364.8	19	South Carolina	384.4	19	Oklahoma	367.7	
20	Indiana	346.3	20	Ohio	360.9	20	Ohio	356.5	
21	North Carolina	340.2	21	Indiana	346.7	21	New Jersey	348.4	
22	Rhode Island	335.5	22	Utah	343.9	22	Massachusetts	343.7	
23	Delaware	329.9	23	Kansas	339.6	23	Alaska	341.8	
24	Ohio	326.1	24	North Carolina	327.8	24	Indiana	338.1	
25	Utah	325.4	25	Louisiana	318.1	25	Utah	320.3	
26	Alabama	322.7	26	New Jersey	317.5	26	Illinois	317.4	
27	Kansas	314.9	27	Nebraska	316.5	27	North Carolina	316.0	
28	Connecticut	296.4	28	Illinois	308.6	28	Connecticut	314.7	
29	Illinois	293.3	29	Connecticut	296.8	29	Alabama	309.6	
30	Mississippi	286.8	30	Massachusetts	295.1	30	Kansas	308.4	
31	Nebraska	284.9	31	Alabama	288.3	31	Nebraska	302.6	
32	New Jersey	283.4	32	Delaware	278.5	32	Mississippi	271.4	
33	Massachusetts	279.0	33	Minnesota	278.2	33	Minnesota	265.0	
34	Arkansas	265.5	34	Arkansas	262.1	34	Delaware	258.6	
35	Minnesota	258.9	35	Mississippi	256.5	35	Pennsylvania	249.6	
36	Wisconsin	252.5	36	Pennsylvania	236.5	36	Arkansas	235.8	
37	Pennsylvania	237.4	37	Wisconsin	226.6	37	Virginia	233.4	
38	Kentucky	219.8	38	Virginia	211.1	38	New York	213.3	
39	West Virginia	215.6	39	Kentucky	210.8	39	Kentucky	211.6	
40	Virginia	193.8	40	Montana	210.7	40	Wisconsin	206.5	
41	Montana	185.0	41	West Virginia	210.0	41	West Virginia	206.0	
42	lowa	167.9	42	Idaho	201.8	42	Idaho	195.5	
43	New York	166.4	43	New York	185.6	43	Iowa	182.9	
44	Idaho	165.6	44	Iowa	184.6	44	Montana	174.6	
45	North Dakota	159.2	45	North Dakota	166.0	45	Wyoming	157.7	
46	Wyoming	150.7	46	Wyoming	145.1	46	New Hampshire	149.4	
47	New Hampshire	108.1	47	South Dakota	108.4	47	North Dakota	142.8	
48	Maine	101.4	48	Vermont	102.9	48	South Dakota	109.7	
49	Vermont	93.9	48	New Hampshire	102.1	48	Maine	98.9	
50	South Dakota	91.8	50	Maine	102.0	50	Vermont	92.5	

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2004-2006, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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Violent Crime Rate

Violent Crime

Violent crime is composed of four offenses: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. According to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program's definition, violent crimes involve force or threat of force.

TABLE 6 - Violent Crime: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants
1	South Carolina	765.5	1	South Carolina	761.1	1	South Carolina	784.2
2	Tennessee	760.2	2	Tennessee	752.8	2	Florida	711.3
3	Nevada	741.6	3	Florida	708.0	3	Maryland	700.5
4	Florida	712.0	4	Maryland	703.0	4	Tennessee	695.2
5	Louisiana	697.8	5	New Mexico	702.2	5	New Mexico	687.3
6	Alaska	688.0	6	Delaware	632.1	6	Louisiana	638.7
7	Delaware	681.6	7	Alaska	631.9	7	Alaska	634.5
8	Maryland	678.6	8	Nevada	606.8	8	Nevada	615.9
9	New Mexico	643.2	9	Louisiana	594.4	9	Delaware	568.4
10	Michigan	562.4	10	Michigan	552.1	10	California	551.8
11	Arkansas	551.6	11	Illinois	551.5	11	Illinois	542.9
12	Missouri	545.6	12	Texas	529.7	12	Texas	540.5
13	Illinois	541.6	13	Arkansas	527.5	13	Arizona	504.1
14	California	532.5	14	California	526.3	14	Oklahoma	500.5
15	Texas	516.3	15	Missouri	525.4	15	Arkansas	499.1
16	Arizona	501.4	16	Arizona	513.2	16	Missouri	490.5
17	Oklahoma	497.4	17	Oklahoma	508.6	17	Michigan	490.2
18	North Carolina	475.6	18	North Carolina	468.1	18	Massachusetts	458.8
19	Georgia	471.0	19	Massachusetts	456.9	19	Georgia	455.5
20	Massachusetts	447.0	20	Georgia	448.9	20	North Carolina	447.8
21	Pennsylvania	439.4	21	New York	445.8	21	New York	441.6
22	New York	434.9	22	Alabama	431.7	22	Alabama	426.6
23	Alabama	425.2	23	Pennsylvania	424.5	23	Pennsylvania	411.1
24	Kansas	425.0	24	Colorado	396.5	24	Kansas	374.5
25	Colorado	391.6	25	Kansas	387.4	25	Colorado	373.5
26	New Jersey	351.6	26	New Jersey	354.7	26	New Jersey	355.7
27	Ohio	350.3	27	Ohio	351.3	27	Washington	343.8
28	Washington	345.9	28	Washington	345.8	28	Ohio	341.8
29	Indiana	314.8	29	Indiana	323.7	29	Indiana	325.4
30	Minnesota	312.0	30	Minnesota	297.0	30	Nebraska	308.7
31	Mississippi	298.6	31	lowa	291.3	31	Oregon	298.3
32	Wisconsin	284.0	32	Nebraska	287.0	32	Mississippi	295.1
33	lowa	283.5	33	Oregon	286.8	33	Montana	293.8
34	Virginia	282.2	34	Virginia	282.8	34	Connecticut	286.3
35	Nebraska	281.8	35	Montana	281.5	35	Virginia	275.6
36	Hawaii	281.2	36	Mississippi	278.4	36	West Virginia	271.2
37	Connecticut	280.8	37	Connecticut	274.5	37	lowa	270.9
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38	Oregon West Virginia	280.3	38	West Virginia Kentucky	272.8	38	Minnesota Hawaii	269.6 254.4
40	Kentucky	263.0	40	Idaho	256.8	40	Rhode Island	247.4
41	Montana	253.7	41	Hawaii	255.1	41	Idaho	244.9
42	Idaho	247.2	42	Rhode Island	251.2	42	Kentucky	244.9
			43	Wisconsin	241.5		Utah	
43 44	Wyoming Phodo Island	239.6	43			43	Wyoming	236.0 229.6
	Rhode Island	227.5		Wyoming	230.1	44		
45	Utah	224.4	45	Utah South Daketa	227.2	45	Wisconsin	209.6
46	South Dakota	171.4	46	South Dakota	175.7	46	South Dakota	171.5
47	New Hampshire	138.7	47	New Hampshire	132.0	47	New Hampshire	167.0
48	Vermont	136.6	48	Vermont	119.7	48	Vermont	112.0
49	North Dakota	127.9	49	Maine	112.2	49	Maine	103.5
50	Maine	115.5	50	North Dakota	98.2	50	North Dakota	79.4

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2004-2006, http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm

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Robbery Rate

Robbery

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines robbery as the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or putting the victim in fear.

TABLE 7 – Robbery: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006 (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants
1	Nevada	281.6	1	Maryland	256.7	1	Maryland	229.6
2	Maryland	256.0	2	Nevada	194.7	2	Nevada	210.1
3	Delaware	203.3	3	New York	182.7	3	Illinois	177.2
4	California	194.7	4	Illinois	181.7	4	New York	174.3
5	Florida	188.8	5	California	176.1	5	Florida	172.4
6	Illinois	185.3	6	Florida	169.4	6	California	172.1
7	Tennessee	184.3	7	Tennessee	167.3	7	Texas	159.3
8	New York	178.6	8	Ohio	163.1	8	Georgia	154.7
9	Pennsylvania	168.6	9	Texas	156.6	9	Ohio	153.1
10	Ohio	166.8	10	Delaware	154.8	10	New Jersey	150.3
11	Georgia	165.6	11	Georgia	154.8	11	Tennessee	149.8
12	Texas	158.5	12	Pennsylvania	154.6	12	Pennsylvania	148.9
13	Alabama	153.5	13	New Jersey	151.6	13	Delaware	146.7
14	New Jersey	153.1	14	North Carolina	145.5	14	Louisiana	145.4
15	North Carolina	152.2	15	Arizona	144.4	15	North Carolina	137.9
16	Arizona	149.6	16	Alabama	141.1	16	Arizona	134.4
17	Michigan	140.7	17	South Carolina	132.1	17	Alabama	133.4
18	South Carolina	136.5	18	Michigan	131.8	18	South Carolina	129.7
19	Louisiana	133.6	19	Missouri	124.1	19	Connecticut	120.5
20	Missouri	129.9	20	Massachusetts	119.0	20		116.4
21		125.0	21		118.0	21	Massachusetts	115.2
22	Massachusetts			Louisiana			Missouri	
	Connecticut	121.0	22	Connecticut	113.0	22	Michigan	111.9
23	Indiana	114.7	23	Indiana	108.6	23	New Mexico	108.3
24	New Mexico	107.7	24	Virginia	99.2	24	Indiana	102.2
25	Mississippi	107.1	25	New Mexico	98.7	25	Washington	94.6
26	Minnesota	105.1	26	Washington	92.1	26	Virginia	92.6
27	Virginia	101.4	27	Minnesota	92.0	27	Oklahoma	87.7
28	Wisconsin	100.2	28	Arkansas	91.1	28	Arkansas	86.2
29	Washington	100.1	29	Oklahoma	91.0	29	Mississippi	86.2
30	Arkansas	98.4	30	Kentucky	88.4	30	Colorado	81.5
31	Alaska	90.3	31	Colorado	84.6	31	Minnesota	79.8
32	Hawaii	88.9	32	Mississippi	82.3	32	Kentucky	78.8
33	Oklahoma	87.5	33	Wisconsin	82.2	33	Oregon	76.5
34	Kentucky	86.2	34	Alaska	80.9	34	Hawaii	74.8
35	Colorado	80.7	35	Hawaii	78.5	35	Wisconsin	73.8
36	Oregon	72.7	36	Rhode Island	72.1	36	Alaska	68.2
37	Rhode Island	68.8	37	Oregon	68.1	37	Rhode Island	67.6
38	Kansas	67.9	38	Kansas	65.3	38	Kansas	66.3
39	Nebraska	63.8	39	Nebraska	59.1	39	Nebraska	65.1
40	Utah	48.8	40	West Virginia	44.6	40	Utah	51.7
41	West Virginia	46.9	41	Utah	44.3	41	West Virginia	42.3
42	Iowa	43.5	42	Iowa	38.9	42	New Hampshire	38.5
43	New Hampshire	32.2	43	New Hampshire	27.4	43	Iowa	38.0
44	Maine	29.1	44	Maine	24.4	44	Montana	25.1
45	Idaho	20.5	45	Montana	18.9	45	Maine	21.9
46	Vermont	17.6	46	Idaho	18.6	46	Idaho	17.2
47	Montana	17.4	47	South Dakota	18.6	47	South Dakota	14.8
48	South Dakota	15.2	48	Wyoming	15.3	48	Wyoming	13.2
49	Wyoming	14.0	49	Vermont	11.7	49	Vermont	12.2
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Aggravated Assault Rate

Aggravated Assault

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines aggravated assault as the unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. It is usually accompanied by use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Attempts are included in this categorization.

TABLE 8 – **Aggravated Assault: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006** (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005	opulation)		2004	
		Crime Rate per			Crime Rate per			Crime Rate
Rank	State	100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	100,000 Inhabitants
1	South Carolina	579.9	1	South Carolina	579.0	1	South Carolina	606.7
2	Tennessee	533.7	2	New Mexico	541.9	2	New Mexico	515.5
3	Alaska	516.4	3	Tennessee	541.9	3	Tennessee	501.8
4	Louisiana	515.4	4	Florida	496.6	4	Florida	495.5
5	Florida	481.2	5	Alaska	465.1	5	Alaska	475.6
6	New Mexico	472.8	6	Louisiana	435.1	6	Louisiana	444.9
7	Delaware	426.5	7	Delaware	428.2	7	Maryland	437.8
8	Nevada	407.8	8	Maryland	413.8	8	Delaware	378.1
9	Arkansas	399.4	9	Arkansas	386.8	9	Arkansas	364.1
10	Maryland	392.0	10	Oklahoma	370.5	10	Oklahoma	363.3
11	Missouri	379.3	11	Missouri	366.4	11	Nevada	357.6
12	Oklahoma	362.5	12	Michigan	362.9	12	California	346.3
13	Michigan	362.4	13	Nevada	361.5	13	Missouri	343.4
14	Illinois	318.4	14	Illinois	330.2	14	Texas	337.9
15	Texas	316.4	15	Texas	329.8	15	Arizona	329.4
16	Arizona	312.7	16	Arizona	327.4	16	Illinois	326.4
17	Kansas	307.7	17	California	317.3	17	Michigan	317.7
18	California	305.7	18	Massachusetts	308.1	18	Massachusetts	311.7
19	Massachusetts	292.1	19	North Carolina	289.4	19	North Carolina	276.2
20	North Carolina	289.1	20	Kansas	280.0	20	Georgia	266.8
21	Georgia	275.8	21	Colorado	264.7	21	Kansas	263.4
22	Colorado	264.0	22	Georgia	264.3	22	Colorado	254.1
23	Pennsylvania	237.6	23	Alabama	247.8	23	Alabama	249.1
24	New York	235.1	24	New York	239.7	24	New York	244.0
25	Alabama	227.6	25	Pennsylvania	235.0	25	Montana	236.0
26	lowa	210.4	26	Montana	228.5	26	Pennsylvania	228.4
27	West Virginia	207.3	27	Iowa	223.3	27	West Virginia	207.6
28	Montana	206.1	28	West Virginia	206.1	28	Nebraska	205.8
29	Washington	199.8	29	Washington	205.8	29	Iowa	204.5
30	Wyoming	196.7	30	Idaho	195.4	30	Washington	200.2
31	Idaho	184.2	31	Nebraska	192.5	31	Wyoming	192.1
32	Nebraska	184.1	32	Wyoming	188.1	32	Indiana	189.2
33	New Jersey	179.4	33	New Jersey	184.4	33	New Jersey	185.6
34	Oregon	173.0	34	Oregon	181.8	34	Idaho	184.6
35	Minnesota	172.6	35	Indiana	179.9	35	Oregon	183.6
36	Indiana	165.2	36	Minnesota	158.7	36	Mississippi	161.1
37	Hawaii	163.0	37	Virginia	154.8	37	Virginia	154.1
38	Wisconsin		38			38		150.7
39		160.6 152.1	39	Mississippi Hawaii	149.4 147.8	39	Hawaii Rhode Island	147.7
40	Virginia	149.5	40		146.1			146.0
	Mississippi Kentuckv			Rhode Island Ohio		40	Minnesota Ohio	
41	Utah	142.0	41		143.4 143.4	41	Utah	143.6
42		139.7		Utah		42		143.3
43 44	Ohio Connecticut	139.2	43 44	Kentucky	139.8	43	Connecticut	142.6
		138.6	44	Connecticut	138.6	44	Kentucky	130.5
45	Rhode Island	129.4		Wisconsin	135.2	45	Wisconsin	112.4
46	South Dakota	112.0	46	South Dakota	108.1	46	South Dakota	110.5
47	Vermont	93.0	47	Vermont	83.5	47	New Hampshire	91.8
48	North Dakota	84.9	48	New Hampshire	72.3	48	Vermont	72.7
49	New Hampshire	79.4	49	North Dakota	65.5	49	Maine	56.3
50	Maine	59.0	50	Maine	61.7	50	North Dakota	46.8

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Forcible Rape Rate

Forcible Rape

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines forcible rape as the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. The FBI includes assaults or attempts to commit rape by force; however, statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are not included.

TABLE 9 - Forcible Rape: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2006			2005			2004	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants
1	Alaska	76.0	1	Alaska	81.1	1	Alaska	85.1
2	New Mexico	56.0	2	New Mexico	54.1	2	New Mexico	54.6
3	Michigan	52.2	3	Michigan	51.3	3	Michigan	54.2
4	Delaware	46.9	4	South Dakota	46.7	4	Washington	46.1
5	Arkansas	46.5	5	Delaware	44.7	5	Oklahoma	44.2
6	Kansas	44.8	6	Washington	44.7	6	South Dakota	43.8
7	Colorado	43.7	7	Minnesota	44.0	7	Colorado	42.5
8	Nevada	43.2	8	Colorado	43.4	8	Arkansas	42.4
9	South Dakota	43.0	9	Arkansas	42.9	9	West Virginia	42.3
10	Washington	42.9	10	South Carolina	42.5	10	Minnesota	41.6
11	Oklahoma	41.6	11	Nevada	42.1	11	Delaware	41.5
12	South Carolina	40.8	12	Oklahoma	41.7	12	Idaho	40.9
13	Idaho	40.0	13	Idaho	40.4	13	Nevada	40.9
14	Ohio	39.6	14	Ohio	39.8	14	South Carolina	40.9
15	Louisiana	36.4	15	Mississippi	39.3	15	Ohio	40.5
16	Alabama	35.9	16	Kansas	38.4	16	Kansas	40.4
17	Florida	35.8	17	Utah	37.3	17	Mississippi	40.0
18	Texas	35.6	18	Texas	37.2	18	Utah	39.1
19	Tennessee	35.5	19	Florida	37.1	19	Alabama	38.5
20	Mississippi	34.4	20	Tennessee	36.4	20	Florida	38.0
21	Utah	34.1	21	Oregon	34.8	21	Tennessee	37.6
22	Oregon	32.3	22	Alabama	34.3	22	Texas	37.3
23	Illinois	31.8	23	Kentucky	34.0	23	Louisiana	35.8
24	Minnesota	31.8	24	Arizona	33.8	24	Oregon	35.7
25	Arizona	31.5	25	Illinois	33.7	25	Nebraska	35.5
26	Nebraska	31.0	26	Nebraska	32.9	26	New Hampshire	35.3
27	Kentucky	30.8	27	Montana	32.2	27	Illinois	33.2
28	North Dakota	30.4	28	Louisiana	31.4	28	Arizona	33.0
29	Missouri	30.2	29	New Hampshire	30.9	29	Kentucky	29.9
30	Indiana	29.1	30	Rhode Island	29.8	30	Rhode Island	29.6
31	Montana	28.5	31	Indiana	29.6	31	Montana	29.5
32	North Carolina	28.2	32	Pennsylvania	28.9	32	Indiana	28.9
33	lowa	27.8	33	Missouri	28.0	33	Pennsylvania	28.5
34	Hawaii	27.6	34	lowa	27.9	34	Massachusetts	28.0
35	Pennsylvania	27.3	35	Massachusetts	27.1	35	North Carolina	27.4
36	Wyoming	27.2	36	Hawaii	26.9	36	Georgia	27.0
37	Massachusetts	27.1	37	North Carolina	26.5	37	California	26.8
38	Rhode Island	26.7	38	California	26.0	38	lowa	26.7
	New Hampshire			Maine				
39		26.2	39		24.7	39	Hawaii	26.4
40	Maine California	25.7 25.3	40	North Dakota Wyoming	24.2	40	Missouri North Dakota	25.7 25.1
42			42	, ,		42	Vermont	
	Vermont	24.0		Georgia	23.6			24.5
43	Virginia	23.4	43	Vermont	23.3	43	Maine	23.9
44	Georgia West Virginia	23.2	44	Virginia	22.7	44	Maryland	23.7
45	West Virginia	21.4	45	Maryland	22.6	45	Virginia	23.7
46	Maryland	21.0	46	Wisconsin	20.6	46	Wyoming	22.1
47	Wisconsin	20.4	47	Connecticut	20.0	47	Connecticut	20.7
48	Connecticut	18.1	48	New York	18.9	48	Wisconsin	20.6
49	New York	16.4	49	West Virginia	17.7	49	New York	18.8
50	New Jersey	14.2	50	New Jersey	13.9	50	New Jersey	15.3

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2004-2006, http://bisdata.oip.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm

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Murder & Non-negligent Manslaughter Rate

Murder

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program defines murder as the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another, as determined by police investigation. Not included are deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident; justifiable homicides; and attempts/assaults to murder, which are classified as aggravated assaults.

TABLE 10 – Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter: 50 State Ranking 2004-2006 (Rate per 100,000 population)

2006				2005			2004			
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants		
1	Louisiana	12.4	1	Louisiana	9.9	1	Louisiana	12.7		
2	Maryland	9.7	2	Maryland	9.9	2	Maryland	9.4		
3	Nevada	9.0	3	Nevada	8.5	3	New Mexico	8.9		
4	Alabama	8.3	4	Alabama	8.2	4	Mississippi	7.8		
5	South Carolina	8.3	5	Arizona	7.5	5	Nevada	7.4		
6	Mississippi	7.7	6	New Mexico	7.4	6	Arizona	7.2		
7	Arizona	7.5	7	South Carolina	7.4	7	Georgia	6.9		
8	Arkansas	7.3	8	Mississippi	7.3	8	South Carolina	6.9		
9	Michigan	7.1	9	Tennessee	7.2	9	California	6.7		
10	California	6.8	10	California	6.9	10	Arkansas	6.4		
11	New Mexico	6.8	11	Missouri	6.9	11	Michigan	6.4		
12	Tennessee	6.8	12	Arkansas	6.7	12	Missouri	6.2		
13	Georgia	6.4	13	North Carolina	6.7	13	North Carolina	6.2		
14	Missouri	6.3	14	Georgia	6.2	14	Illinois	6.1		
15	Florida	6.2	15	Texas	6.2	15	Texas	6.1		
16	Illinois	6.1	16	Michigan	6.1	16	Tennessee	5.9		
17	North Carolina	6.1	17	Pennsylvania	6.1	17	Kentucky	5.7		
18	Pennsylvania	5.9	18	Virginia	6.1	18	Alabama	5.6		
19	Texas	5.9	19	Illinois	6.0	19	Alaska	5.6		
20	Indiana	5.8	20	Indiana	5.7	20	Florida	5.4		
21	Oklahoma	5.8	21	Oklahoma	5.3	21	Oklahoma	5.3		
22	Alaska	5.4	22	Ohio	5.1	22	Pennsylvania	5.2		
23	Virginia	5.2	23	Florida	5.0	23	Virginia	5.2		
24	Delaware	4.9	24	Alaska	4.8	24	Indiana	5.1		
25	New Jersey	4.9	25	New Jersey	4.8	25	New York	4.6		
26	New York	4.8	26			26	Kansas			
27	Ohio	4.6	27	Kentucky New York	4.6	27		4.5 4.5		
28	Kansas	4.7	28	Delaware	4.5	28	New Jersey Ohio	4.5		
29		4.0	29		4.4	29	Colorado	4.5		
	West Virginia			West Virginia						
30	Kentucky	4.0	30	Colorado	3.7	30	West Virginia	3.7		
31	Colorado	3.3	31	Kansas	3.7	31	Montana	3.2		
32	Connecticut	3.1	32	Wisconsin	3.5	32	Washington	3.1		
33	Washington	3.0	33	Washington	3.3	33	Wisconsin	2.8		
34	Wisconsin	3.0	34	Rhode Island	3.2	34	Connecticut	2.6		
35	Massachusetts	2.9	35	Connecticut	2.9	35	Hawaii	2.6		
36	Nebraska	2.8	36	Massachusetts	2.7	36	Massachusetts	2.6		
37	Rhode Island	2.6	37	Wyoming	2.7	37	Vermont	2.6		
38	Idaho	2.5	38	Nebraska	2.5	38	Oregon	2.5		
39	Minnesota	2.4	39	Idaho	2.4	39	Rhode Island	2.4		
40	Oregon	2.3	40	South Dakota	2.3	40	Nebraska	2.3		
41	Vermont	1.9	41	Utah	2.3	41	South Dakota	2.3		
42	Iowa	1.8	42	Minnesota	2.2	42	Idaho	2.2		
43	Montana	1.8	43	Oregon	2.2	43	Minnesota	2.2		
44	Utah	1.8	44	Hawaii	1.9	44	Wyoming	2.2		
45	Maine	1.7	45	Montana	1.9	45	Delaware	2.0		
46	Wyoming	1.7	46	Maine	1.4	46	Utah	1.9		
47	Hawaii	1.6	47	New Hampshire	1.4	47	Iowa	1.6		
48	North Dakota	1.3	48	Iowa	1.3	48	Maine	1.4		
49	South Dakota	1.2	49	Vermont	1.3	49	New Hampshire	1.4		
50	New Hampshire	1.0	50	North Dakota	1.1	50	North Dakota	1.4		

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2004-2006, http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm

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Appendix

This report reflects crime in Connecticut as reported by local law enforcement agencies to the Connecticut Department of Public Safety (DPS), Division of State Police, Crimes Analysis Unit and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

The UCR Program gathers offense data for violent and property crimes. Offenses that make up the Crime Index are Part I crimes—violent crimes of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault; property crimes of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. In addition to reporting Part I offenses, law enforcement agencies provide monthly data to the UCR Program on persons arrested for all other crimes except traffic violations, police officers killed or assaulted and hate crimes (reported Quarterly).

In 2006, more than 17,500 city, county, college and university, state, tribal, and federal agencies voluntarily participated in the UCR Program. These agencies represented 94.2 percent of the Nation's population.

Data Collection Methodology

Law enforcement agencies that participate, forward crime data through their State UCR Programs in 46 States and the District of Columbia. Local agencies without State UCR Programs submit crime statistics directly to the FBI. Many states have mandatory reporting requirements, and many State UCR Programs collect data beyond those typically called for by the national UCR Program to address crime problems specific to their particular jurisdictions.

Law enforcement agencies tabulate the number of Part I crimes brought to their attention based on records of all reports of crime received from victims, officers who discover infractions, or other sources, and submit them each month to the FBI either directly or through their State UCR Programs.

The *Crime in the United States* statistical compendium reports data regarding only those offenses made known to police.

Crime Rate Calculation

Crime rates are computed by dividing the offenses reported to police by the population and multiplying by 100,000. The result is an expression of the number of crimes occurring in a population of 100,000 people, allowing a comparison between jurisdictions of differing populations. Crime Rate = (Number of Offenses x 100,000)/Population

Connecticut UCR Participation

Every month law enforcement agencies, and some colleges and universities throughout Connecticut submit UCR data to the DPS Crimes Analysis Unit. According to the Unit, there is 100% participation in the UCR Program over time.

The National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) is a second generation UCR system that went into effect in Connecticut in 1993. NIBRS collects and reports data on each incident, and allows reporting of one or more offenses for any one incident. Information in UCR is summary based, meaning that only the highest level offense in any one incident is reported. Consequently, NIBRS data provides considerable more detail about an incident, and yields richer and more meaningful information than those produced by the summary UCR system.

In Connecticut, there are 169 municipalities with 92 separate local Police Departments (PD) which cover 85% of the State's population. Among the 92 local PD, 66 utilize NIBRS and 26 utilize UCR. The Connecticut State Police use the NIBRS system and provide police services for another 81 Connecticut towns and places (or 15% of the State's population). In addition, there are 7 campus police departments also reporting, 5 of which use NIBRS and 2 that use the summary UCR system. The State Capitol Police utilize the NIBRS system.

FBI Data Cautions

The FBI cautions data users of Crime in the United States against comparing statistical data of cities, counties, metropolitan areas, states, colleges or universities solely on the basis on their population coverage or student enrollment. In addition, the FBI cautions data users to exercise care in making any direct comparison between data in this publication and those in prior issues, because of differing levels of participation from year to year and reporting problems that require the FBI to estimate crime counts for certain contributors, the data may not be comparable from year to year.

Some factors that are known to affect the volume and type of crime occurring from place to place are:

- Population density and degree of urbanization.
- Variations in composition of the population, particularly youth concentration.
- Stability of the population with respect to residents' mobility, commuting patterns, and transient factors.
- Modes of transportation and highway system.
- Economic conditions, including median income, poverty level, and job availability.
- Cultural factors and educational, recreational, and religious characteristics.
- Family conditions with respect to divorce and family cohesiveness.
- Climate.
- Effective strength of law enforcement agencies.
- Administrative and investigative emphases of law enforcement.
- Policies of other components of the criminal justice system (e.g. prosecutorial, judicial, correctional, and probation).
- Citizens' attitudes toward crime.
- Crime reporting practices of the citizenry.

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