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Ranking of 50 States by Selected Crime Rates: 2005 to 2007

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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 2005 – 2007 (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 2005 2007 Connecticut's ranking improved or stayed the same.
- Out of 50 States Connecticut ranked 41st in total property crime which has continued to decrease over the past several years. Property crimes are the most frequent at 2,399 per 100,000 in Connecticut.
- In 2007, Connecticut ranked 41st for larceny theft dropping by two in the rankings under Rhode Island and Vermont; and for the second year in a row under Maine.
- In 2007, Connecticut ranked better for the offense of burglary than every North East state except New York, New Hampshire and New Jersey.
- Connecticut's motor vehicle theft rank improved from 28 in 2006 to 30 in 2007 remaining below Rhode Island for the third year in a row.
- One of the most significant improvements was Connecticut's violent crime index which dropped by four places in the rankings from 37 in 2006 to 41 in 2007.

- For robbery in 2007, Connecticut (103.0) ranked 25 out of 50, which is still less than half the crime rate of either Nevada (270.2), Maryland (236.0) or Florida (209.1).
- Connecticut has consistently had one of the lowest aggravated assault rates in the Nation. South Carolina, Louisiana and Tennessee have the highest rates in 2007.
- Connecticut has the third lowest rate for forcible rape in the nation, slightly behind New Jersey and New York in 2007. Alaska, New Mexico and Michigan have consistently had the highest rate of Forcible Rape.
- For murder and non-negligent manslaughter in 2007, Connecticut improved significantly in its ranking from 32 to 36. Louisiana's rate (14.2) was still four times that of Connecticut (3.0).

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 2005, 2006 and 2007 are as follows:

Offense	2005	2006	2007
Property Crime Index	40	40	41
Larceny-Theft	38	38	41
Burglary	44	44	43
Motor Vehicle - Theft	29	28	30
Violent Crime Index	38	37	41
Robbery	22	22	25
Aggravated Assault	44	44	44
Forcible Rape	47	48	48
Murder and Manslaughter	35	32	36

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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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			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	South Carolina	5,060.0	1	Arizona	5,129.3	1	Arizona	5,338.9
2	Arizona	4,896.8	2	South Carolina	5,007.8	2	Washington	5,235.4
3	Tennessee	4,841.9	3	Tennessee	4,888.5	3	South Carolina	5,137.8
4	Florida	4,811.9	4	Nevada	4,830.4	4	Tennessee	5,057.2
5	Louisiana	4,805.5	5	Washington	4,825.9	5	Hawaii	5,055.3
6	Texas	4,631.8	6	Florida	4,698.1	6	Nevada	4,853.4
7	North Carolina	4,553.7	7	Louisiana	4,691.4	7	Texas	4,847.1
8	Nevada	4,528.5	8	Texas	4,597.8	8	New Mexico	4,778.0
9	Hawaii	4,498.2	9	North Carolina	4,596.4	9	Florida	4,721.7
10	Arkansas	4,482.4	10	New Mexico	4,580.4	10	Oregon	4,689.4
11	Alabama	4,419.5	11	Arkansas	4,519.1	11	Arkansas	4,596.4
12	Georgia	4,394.2	12	Hawaii	4,511.6	12	Georgia	4,590.8
13	New Mexico	4,390.0	13	Missouri	4,372.1	13	Oklahoma	4,556.3
14	Washington	4,363.9	14	Alabama	4,361.3	14	North Carolina	4,548.9
15	Missouri	4,243.3	15	Georgia	4,360.2	15	Missouri	4,455.0
16	Kansas	4,131.3	16	Alaska	4,292.9	16	Colorado	4,437.8
17	Maryland	4,073.4	17	Kansas	4,175.2	17	Alabama	4,332.8
18	Delaware	4,059.3	18	Maryland	4,159.5	18	Louisiana	4,293.0
19	Alaska	4,040.7	19	Oklahoma	4,101.6	19	Maryland	4,255.2
20	Oklahoma	4,026.0	20	Delaware	4,099.5	20	Alaska	4,247.1
21		3,813.8	21	Ohio	4,029.0	21	Kansas	4,195.1
22	Oregon Ohio		22			22	Utah	
		3,798.5		Oregon	3,952.4			4,062.1
23	Utah	3,735.0	23	Colorado	3,843.0	23	Ohio	4,017.8
24	Indiana	3,730.2	24	Indiana	3,817.3	24	California	3,846.6
25	Michigan	3,601.8	25	Michigan	3,775.2	25	Indiana	3,783.6
26	California	3,555.6	26	Utah	3,740.8	26	Delaware	3,751.3
27	Mississippi	3,492.1	27	California	3,703.3	27	Nebraska	3,719.7
28	Illinois	3,469.0	28	Nebraska	3,622.5	28	Michigan	3,651.5
29	Nebraska	3,463.9	29	Illinois	3,561.2	29	Illinois	3,643.9
30	Colorado	3,353.8	30	Mississippi	3,507.4	30	Mississippi	3,553.8
31	Minnesota	3,325.2	31	Minnesota	3,397.3	31	Montana	3,427.8
32	Wisconsin	3,128.6	32	Wyoming	3,220.2	32	Wyoming	3,388.7
33	Wyoming	3,105.2	33	Wisconsin	3,101.8	33	Minnesota	3,385.1
34	Montana	3,052.9	34	Iowa	3,086.2	34	Iowa	3,138.3
35	Iowa	2,910.2	35	Montana	2,941.3	35	Rhode Island	2,980.4
36	Rhode Island	2,849.9	36	West Virginia	2,901.3	36	Idaho	2,954.2
37	Massachusetts	2,823.0	37	Pennsylvania	2,882.9	37	Virginia	2,932.7
38	Kentucky	2,813.3	38	Massachusetts	2,838.0	38	Wisconsin	2,911.2
39	West Virginia	2,800.2	39	Rhode Island	2,814.4	39	West Virginia	2,906.5
40	Pennsylvania	2,777.8	40	Kentucky	2,807.5	40	Connecticut	2,851.2
41	Virginia	2,736.1	41	Connecticut	2,784.9	41	Pennsylvania	2,847.2
42	Connecticut	2,655.9	42	Virginia	2,760.4	42	Massachusetts	2,819.2
43	Maine	2,546.8	43	Idaho	2,666.0	43	Kentucky	2,797.8
44	New Jersey	2,542.4	44	New Jersey	2,643.4	44	New Jersey	2,692.3
45	Idaho	2,485.9	45	Maine	2,634.1	45	New York	2,546.3
46	Vermont	2,447.0	46	New York	2,487.6	46	Maine	2,531.6
47	New York	2,392.7	47	Vermont	2,441.2	47	Vermont	2,495.3
48	North Dakota	2,032.0	48	North Dakota	2,128.1	48	North Dakota	2,135.9
49	New Hampshire	2,029.4	49	New Hampshire	2,012.8	49	New Hampshire	1,973.7
50	South Dakota	1,821.5	50	South Dakota	1,791.0	50	South Dakota	1,946.2

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			2006			2005	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000
		Inhabitants			Inhabitants)	Inhabitants
1	Arizona	4,414.0	1	Arizona	4,627.9	1	Washington	4,889.8
2	South Carolina	4,271.7	2	Washington	4,480.0	2	Arizona	4,826.9
3	Hawaii	4,225.4	3	South Carolina	4,242.3	3	Hawaii	4,799.8
4	Texas	4,121.2	4	Hawaii	4,230.4	4	Oregon	4,402.4
5	Florida	4,089.3	5	Tennessee	4,128.3	5	South Carolina	4,370.4
6	Tennessee	4,088.6	6	North Carolina	4,120.8	6	Texas	4,319.0
7	North Carolina	4,087.3	7	Nevada	4,088.8	7	Tennessee	4,299.9
8	Louisiana	4,076.0	8	Texas	4,081.5	8	Nevada	4,245.9
9	Washington	4,030.8	9	Louisiana	3,993.7	9	Georgia	4,144.9
10	Alabama	3,971.6	10	Florida	3,986.1	10	New Mexico	4,131.7
11	Arkansas	3,953.1	11	Arkansas	3,967.5	11	North Carolina	4,080.2
12	Georgia	3,901.0	12	New Mexico	3,937.2	12	Arkansas	4,067.9
13	Nevada	3,777.8	13	Alabama	3,936.1	13	Oklahoma	4,047.1
14	Missouri	3,738.4	14	Georgia	3,889.2	14	Colorado	4,041.1
15	New Mexico	3,725.7	15	Missouri	3,826.5	15	Florida	4,012.8
16	Kansas	3,678.7	16	Kansas	3,750.2	16	Missouri	3,929.3
17	Oklahoma	3,526.4	17	Ohio	3,678.6	17	Alabama	3,900.2
18	Oregon	3,526.2	18	Oregon	3,672.1	18	Utah	3,836.7
19	Utah	3,500.3	19	Alaska	3,604.9	19	Kansas	3,805.7
20	Ohio	3,455.2	20	Oklahoma	3,604.2	20	Louisiana	3,696.4
21	Maryland	3,431.5	21	Utah	3,516.4	21	Ohio	3,667.7
22	Indiana	3,396.6	22	Indiana	3,502.4	22	Alaska	3,614.8
23	Alaska	3,379.5	23	Maryland	3,480.9	23	Maryland	3,550.9
24	Delaware	3,370.1	24	Colorado	3,451.3	24	Indiana	3,459.6
25	Mississippi	3,200.8	25	Delaware	3,417.9	25	Nebraska	3,432.4
26	Nebraska	3,161.4	26	Nebraska	3,340.7	26	California	3,320.6
27	Michigan	3,065.7	27	Michigan	3,212.8	27	Mississippi	3,274.2
28	Minnesota	3,036.6	28	Mississippi	3,208.8	28	Wyoming	3,158.4
29	California	3,033.0	29	California	3,170.9	29	Montana	3,146.0
30	Colorado	3,006.1	30	Minnesota	3,079.5	30	Delaware	3,117.9
31	Illinois	2,935.8	31	Illinois	3,019.6	31	Michigan	3,097.7
32	Wyoming	2,865.9	32	Wyoming	2,980.6	32	Illinois	3,091.7
33	Wisconsin	2,837.7	33	Wisconsin	2,817.8	33	Minnesota	3,087.8
34	Montana	2,765.4	34	Iowa	2,802.7	34	Iowa	2,845.0
35	Rhode Island	2,622.6	35	Montana	2,687.5	35	Rhode Island	2,728.0
36	Iowa	2,615.6	36	West Virginia	2,621.5	36	Idaho	2,697.4
37	West Virginia	2,525.0	37	Rhode Island	2,586.9	37	Wisconsin	2,669.4
38	Kentucky	2,518.3	38	Kentucky	2,544.5	38	Virginia	2,649.3
39	Virginia	2,466.4	39	Maine	2,518.7	39	West Virginia	2,632.6
40	Maine	2,428.8	40	Connecticut	2,504.1	40	Connecticut	2,578.6
41	Connecticut	2,399.9	41	Virginia	2,478.2	41	Kentucky	2,531.0
42	Massachusetts	2,391.5	42	Pennsylvania	2,443.5	42	Pennsylvania	2,421.9
43	Pennsylvania	2,361.3	43	Idaho	2,418.8	43	Maine	2,419.1
44	Vermont	2,322.7	44	Massachusetts	2,391.0	44	Vermont	2,369.7
45	Idaho	2,246.6	45	Vermont	2,391.0	45	Massachusetts	2,358.4
46	New Jersey	2,213.1	46	New Jersey	2,291.9	46	New Jersey	2,337.0
47	New York	1,978.6	47	New York	2,052.7	47	New York	2,101.9
48	New Hampshire	1,892.0	48	North Dakota	2,000.3	48	North Dakota	2,101.9
48	North Dakota	_	48	New Hampshire		48	New Hampshire	
44	INUITII DAKULA	1,889.6	49	INGW HAIHPSHILE	1,874.1	49	INCW HAITIPSHILE	1,838.9

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2005-2007, 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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			2006			2005	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000
		Inhabitants			Inhabitants			Inhabitants
1	Hawaii	2,993.3	1	Hawaii	2,949.1	1	Hawaii	3,313.3
2	South Carolina	2,859.6	2	South Carolina	2,873.0	2	Washington	3,147.4
3	Texas	2,773.3	3	Washington	2,850.7	3	Oregon	3,114.0
4	Arizona	2,738.4	4	Arizona	2,813.1	4	South Carolina	2,978.4
5	Tennessee	2,734.4	5	Texas	2,758.2	5	Arizona	2,958.4
6	Florida	2,689.4	6	Tennessee	2,713.2	6	Texas	2,952.8
7	Alabama	2,684.6	7	Kansas	2,712.0	7	Utah	2,894.5
8	Louisiana	2,683.5	8	Alabama	2,644.3	8	Tennessee	2,843.6
9	Kansas	2,640.2	9	Oregon	2,636.1	9	Kansas	2,773.6
10	Washington	2,634.4	10	Missouri	2,627.0	10	Missouri	2,747.4
11	Missouri	2,594.7	11	Florida	2,619.0	11	Colorado	2,736.3
12	Utah	2,579.7	12	Utah	2,614.5	12	Georgia	2,733.0
13	North Carolina	2,577.9	13	Alaska	2,610.2	13	Arkansas	2,720.4
14	Arkansas	2,574.4	14	Louisiana	2,579.7	14	Florida	2,661.6
15	Oregon	2,529.0	15	North Carolina	2,567.9	15	Alabama	2,655.5
16	Georgia	2,504.6	16	Arkansas	2,562.1	16	Oklahoma	2,647.5
17	Alaska	2,487.0	17	Nebraska	2,521.3	17	New Mexico	2,632.8
18	Delaware	2,369.0	18	Georgia	2,519.3	18	Alaska	2,600.7
19	Nebraska	2,358.6	19	Ohio	2,442.8	19	Nebraska	2,579.9
20	Indiana	2,349.0	20	Indiana	2,424.8	20	North Carolina	2,549.3
21	New Mexico	2,307.9	21	New Mexico	2,395.5	21	Montana	2,545.5
22	Ohio	2,301.6	22	Wyoming	2,379.4	22	Wyoming	2,536.4
23	Montana	2,266.2	23	Delaware	2,362.8	23	Louisiana	2,503.5
24	Maryland	2,265.9	24	Colorado	2,331.8	24	Ohio	2,432.7
25	Wyoming	2,264.6	25	Oklahoma	2,270.5	25	Indiana	2,414.3
26	Minnesota	2,224.7	26	Maryland	2,270.4	26	Maryland	2,298.8
27	Oklahoma	2,224.7	27	Minnesota	2,236.6	27	Minnesota	2,229.6
28	Wisconsin	2,100.9	28	Montana	2,191.8	28	Illinois	2,175.1
29	Illinois	2,100.9	29	Illinois	2,124.2	29	Nevada	2,175.1
30	Colorado	2,069.3	30	Wisconsin	2,079.5	30	Delaware	2,148.5
31			31			31		2,146.5
32	Mississippi Nevada	1,990.0 1,939.1	32	lowa Nevada	2,030.7	32	Mississippi Iowa	2,047.6
33		1,898.3	33		1,986.1	33	Virginia	2,047.6
34	Michigan Iowa	1,885.1	34	Mississippi Michigan	1,963.5	34	Wisconsin	1,999.6
35	Virginia	1,873.3	35	Maine	1,903.3	35	Idaho	1,931.3
36	Maine		36		1,866.8	36		1,921.5
		1,826.4		Virginia			Michigan	
37	Rhode Island	1,822.7	37	California	1,829.1	37	California	1,915.3
38	California	1,784.4	38	Connecticut	1,788.4	38	Connecticut	1,840.1
39	West Virginia	1,735.5	39	West Virginia	1,771.8	39	Maine	1,837.2
40	Vermont	1,719.6	40	Rhode Island	1,744.2	40	Rhode Island	1,822.6
41	Connecticut	1,705.2	41	Pennsylvania	1,742.9	41	West Virginia	1,797.2
42	Pennsylvania	1,697.9	42	Idaho	1,740.0	42	Vermont	1,750.4
43	Kentucky	1,661.1	43	Vermont	1,681.8	43	Pennsylvania	1,732.4
44	Idaho	1,632.8	44	Kentucky	1,679.9	44	Kentucky	1,686.1
45	Massachusetts	1,606.1	45	Massachusetts	1,565.4	45	New Jersey	1,571.0
46	New Jersey	1,528.8	46	New Jersey	1,556.5	46	New York	1,564.6
47	New York	1,497.2	47	New York	1,531.1	47	North Dakota	1,533.6
48	New Hampshire	1,414.4	48	North Dakota	1,464.8	48	Massachusetts	1,524.5
49	North Dakota	1,408.4	49	New Hampshire	1,434.5	48	New Hampshire	1,415.1
50	South Dakota	1,261.3	50	South Dakota	1,188.9	50	South Dakota	1,335.7

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007** (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			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	North Carolina	1,200.7	1	North Carolina	1,212.7	1	North Carolina	1,202.6
2	Arkansas	1,131.4	2	Arkansas	1,139.9	2	New Mexico	1,087.2
3	Louisiana	1,038.9	3	New Mexico	1,069.7	3	Arkansas	1,085.1
4	South Carolina	1,025.8	4	Louisiana	1,049.2	4	Tennessee	1,032.8
5	Tennessee	1,002.4	5	Tennessee	1,040.9	5	Oklahoma	1,007.3
6	Florida	996.3	6	Nevada	994.6	6	South Carolina	1,006.4
7	Alabama	979.5	7	South Carolina	989.8	7	Nevada	973.4
8	Nevada	968.3	8	Alabama	969.1	8	Washington	959.1
9	New Mexico	964.1	9	Oklahoma	960.5	9	Texas	958.8
10	Mississippi	957.9	10	Florida	944.6	10	Alabama	955.8
11	Texas	955.1	11	Mississippi	935.9	11	Arizona	946.2
12	Georgia	950.2	12	Arizona	925.3	12	Florida	927.4
13	Oklahoma	943.3	13	Texas	917.3	13	Georgia	924.9
14	Arizona	912.2	14	Washington	911.6	14	Mississippi	923.7
15	Ohio	859.1	15	Ohio	909.8	15	Louisiana	873.7
16	Washington	814.8	16	Georgia	909.0	16	Ohio	873.4
17	Michigan	748.9	17	Missouri	764.1	17	Hawaii	769.0
18	Indiana	739.4	18	Michigan	753.9	18	Oregon	759.1
19	Missouri	739.1	19	Indiana	731.3	19	Colorado	745.1
20	Delaware	733.3	20	Delaware	725.2	20	Missouri	738.6
21	Kansas	729.9	21	Kansas	723.3	21	Indiana	698.3
22	Hawaii	708.8	22	Colorado	682.1	22	Michigan	698.2
23	Maryland	660.2	23	Hawaii	677.5	23	California	692.9
24	Kentucky	652.7	24	California	676.0	24	Kansas	692.4
25	California	648.4	25	Maryland	667.0	25	Delaware	690.4
26	Oregon	609.0	26	Oregon	645.2	26	Maryland	642.7
27	West Virginia	596.8	27	Kentucky	644.8	27	Kentucky	634.1
28	Colorado	591.4	28	West Virginia	634.1	28	West Virginia	624.8
29	Illinois	587.6	29	Alaska	617.3	29	Alaska	622.8
30	Utah	587.5	30	lowa	604.2	30	Iowa	611.9
31	Minnesota	570.8	31	Illinois	602.1	31	Illinois	608.2
32	Iowa	567.0	32	Minnesota	583.9	32	Utah	601.2
33	Massachusetts	552.9	33	Utah	576.5	33	Minnesota	579.6
34	Alaska	538.7	34	Massachusetts	546.5	34	Idaho	564.3
35	Nebraska	509.8	35	Nebraska	534.5	35	Massachusetts	539.8
36	Maine	506.8	36	Vermont	528.9	36	Nebraska	535.1
37	Vermont	500.0	37	Idaho	513.2	37	Vermont	511.7
38	Wisconsin	497.0	38	Maine	512.9	38	Rhode Island	495.4
39	Rhode Island	495.0	39	Rhode Island	507.2	39	Maine	479.7
40	Idaho	465.3	40	Wisconsin	485.8	40	Wyoming	476.8
41	Pennsylvania	450.6	41	Pennsylvania	463.2	41	Pennsylvania	452.5
42	Wyoming	449.1	42	New Jersey	452.0	42	New Jersey	447.9
43	Connecticut	432.9	43	Wyoming	452.0	43	Wisconsin	442.3
44	New Jersey	431.5	43	Connecticut	419.3	44	Connecticut	435.5
45	Virginia	410.9	45	Virginia	417.6	45	Virginia	394.3
46	New Hampshire				376.3			389.6
		378.9	46	North Dakota New York	376.3	46	Montana Now York	
47	North Dakota	338.3	47			47	New York South Dakota	352.2
48	New York	336.1	48	South Dakota	338.9	48		323.3
49	Montana	316.0	49	New Hampshire	331.4	49	North Dakota	321.9
50	South Dakota	298.7	50	Montana	310.7	50	New Hampshire	320.8

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			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	Nevada	870.5	1	Nevada	1,080.4	1	Nevada	1,116.4
2	Arizona	763.4	2	Arizona	889.5	2	Arizona	922.3
3	California	600.2	3	Washington	717.6	3	Washington	783.3
4	Washington	581.6	4	California	665.7	4	Hawaii	717.4
5	Hawaii	523.2	5	Hawaii	603.9	5	California	712.3
6	Maryland	505.4	6	Maryland	543.5	6	Maryland	609.5
7	New Mexico	453.8	7	Michigan	495.4	7	Colorado	559.7
8	Georgia	446.3	8	New Mexico	472.0	8	Oregon	529.3
9	Michigan	418.5	9	Georgia	460.9	9	Georgia	487.0
10	Missouri	404.6	10	Colorado	437.5	10	Michigan	477.9
11	Florida	403.6	11	Missouri	435.3	11	Missouri	443.3
12	Texas	392.8	12	Florida	422.5	12	Florida	423.8
13	Oregon	388.2	13	Texas	405.9	13	Tennessee	423.6
14	South Carolina	386.3	14	Oregon	390.7	14	New Mexico	411.7
15	Oklahoma	372.1	15	South Carolina	379.6	15	Rhode Island	409.9
16	Alaska	353.8	16	Alaska	377.4	16	Texas	407.5
17	Louisiana	353.6	17	Tennessee	374.1	17	Oklahoma	392.3
18	Tennessee	351.8	18	Oklahoma	373.2	18	Alaska	391.3
19	Colorado	345.4	19	Louisiana	364.8	19	South Carolina	385.6
20	Utah	333.1	20	Indiana	346.3	20	Ohio	361.5
21	North Carolina	308.6	21	North Carolina	340.2	21	Indiana	347.0
22	Kansas	308.5	22	Rhode Island	335.5	22	Utah	341.0
23	Indiana	308.2	23	Delaware	329.9	23	Kansas	339.8
24	Alabama	307.5	24	Ohio	326.1	24	North Carolina	328.2
25	Rhode Island	305.0	25	Utah	325.4	25	Louisiana	319.2
26	Ohio	294.6	26	Alabama	322.7	26	New Jersey	318.1
27	Nebraska	293.1	27	Kansas	314.9	27	Nebraska	317.4
28	Delaware	267.8	28	Connecticut	296.4	28	Illinois	308.4
29	Illinois	263.7	29	Illinois	293.3	29	Connecticut	303.1
30	Connecticut	261.7	30	Mississippi	286.8	30	Massachusetts	294.1
31	Mississippi	252.9	31	Nebraska	284.9	31	Alabama	288.9
32	New Jersey	252.7	32	New Jersey	283.4	32	Delaware	279.1
33	Arkansas	247.3	33	Massachusetts	279.0	33	Minnesota	278.6
34	Minnesota	241.0	34	Arkansas	265.5	34	Arkansas	262.5
35	Wisconsin	239.8	35	Minnesota	258.9	35	Mississippi	257.6
36	Massachusetts	232.4	36	Wisconsin	252.5	36	Pennsylvania	236.9
37	Pennsylvania	212.8	37	Pennsylvania	237.4	37	Wisconsin	227.5
38	Kentucky	204.5	38	Kentucky	219.8	38	Virginia	211.4
39	West Virginia	192.7	39	West Virginia	215.6	39	Montana	210.9
40	Montana		40	Virginia	193.8	40	Kentucky	210.8
		183.2						
41	Virginia	182.2	41	Montana	185.0	41	West Virginia	210.6
42	lowa	163.5	42	lowa	167.9	42	Idaho	201.8
43	Wyoming	152.2	43	New York	166.4	43	lowa	185.5
44	Idaho	148.5	44	Idaho	165.6	44	New York	185.0
45	New York	145.3	45	North Dakota	159.2	45	North Dakota	169.1
46	North Dakota	142.9	46	Wyoming	150.7	46	Wyoming	145.2
47	Vermont	103.2	47	New Hampshire	108.1	47	South Dakota	108.3
48	New Hampshire	98.7	48	Maine	101.4	48	Vermont	107.7
49	Maine	95.6	49	Vermont	93.9	48	New Hampshire	103.0
50	South Dakota	92.3	50	South Dakota	91.8	50	Maine	102.3

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007 (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			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	South Carolina	788.3	1	South Carolina	765.5	1	South Carolina	767.4
2	Tennessee	753.3	2	Tennessee	760.2	2	Tennessee	757.3
3	Nevada	750.6	3	Nevada	741.6	3	Florida	708.9
4	Louisiana	729.5	4	Florida	712.0	4	Maryland	704.3
5	Florida	722.6	5	Louisiana	697.7	5	New Mexico	646.3
6	Delaware	689.2	6	Alaska	688.0	6	Delaware	633.4
7	New Mexico	664.2	7	Delaware	681.6	7	Alaska	632.3
8	Alaska	661.2	8	Maryland	678.6	8	Nevada	607.5
9	Maryland	641.9	9	New Mexico	643.2	9	Louisiana	596.6
10	Michigan	536.0	10	Michigan	562.4	10	Michigan	553.8
11	Illinois	533.2	11	Arkansas	551.6	11	Illinois	552.2
12	Arkansas	529.4	12	Missouri	545.6	12	Arkansas	528.5
13	California	522.6	13	Illinois	541.6	13	Texas	528.1
14	Texas	510.6	14	California	532.5	14	California	526.0
15	Missouri	504.9	15	Texas	516.3	15	Missouri	525.7
16	Oklahoma	499.6	16	Arizona	501.4	16	Arizona	512.0
17	Georgia	493.2	17	Oklahoma	497.4	17	Oklahoma	509.2
18	Arizona	482.7	18	North Carolina	475.6	18	North Carolina	468.7
19	North Carolina	466.4	19	Georgia	471.0	19	Massachusetts	460.8
20	Kansas	452.7	20	Massachusetts	447.0	20	Georgia	445.9
21	Alabama	448.0	21	Pennsylvania	439.4	21	New York	444.4
22	Massachusetts	431.5	22	New York	434.9	22	Alabama	432.6
23	Pennsylvania	416.5	23	Alabama	425.2	23	Pennsylvania	425.3
24	New York	414.1	24	Kansas	425.0	24	Colorado	396.7
25	Colorado	347.8	25	Colorado	391.6	25	Kansas	389.4
26	Ohio	343.2	26	New Jersey	351.5	26	New Jersey	355.3
27	Indiana	333.6	27	Ohio	350.3	27	Ohio	350.1
28	Washington	333.1	28	Washington	345.9	28	Washington	345.6
29	New Jersey	329.3	29	Minnesota	317.9	29	Indiana	324.0
30	Nebraska	302.4	30	Indiana	314.8	30	Minnesota	297.3
31	Kentucky	295.0	31	Mississippi	298.6	31	Iowa	293.3
32	Iowa	294.7	32	Wisconsin	284.0	32	Nebraska	287.3
33	Mississippi	291.3	33	Iowa	283.5	33	Oregon	287.0
34	Wisconsin	290.9	34	Virginia	282.2	34	Virginia	283.4
35	Minnesota	288.7	35	Nebraska	281.8	35	Montana	281.8
36	Oregon	287.6	36	Hawaii	281.2	36	Mississippi	279.6
37	Montana	287.5	37	Connecticut	280.8	37	West Virginia	273.9
38	West Virginia	275.2	38	Oregon	280.3	38	Connecticut	272.6
39	Hawaii	272.8	39	West Virginia	279.7	39	Kentucky	266.8
40	Virginia	269.7	40	Kentucky	263.0	40	Idaho	256.8
41	Connecticut	256.0	41	Montana	253.7	41	Hawaii	255.5
42	Idaho	239.4	42	Idaho	247.2	42	Rhode Island	252.4
43	Wyoming	239.3	43	Wyoming	239.6	43	Wisconsin	241.8
43	Utah	234.8	43	Rhode Island	227.5	44	Wyoming	230.3
45	Rhode Island	234.6	45	Utah	224.4	45	Utah	225.4
							South Dakota	179.0
46	South Dakota	169.2	46	South Dakota	171.4	46		134.8
47	North Dakota	142.4	47	New Hampshire	138.7	47	New Hampshire	125.6
48 49	New Hampshire	137.3	48	Vermont	136.6	48	Vermont	
49	Vermont	124.3	49	North Dakota	127.9	49	Maine	112.5

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007	,		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
11	Nevada	270.2	1	Nevada	281.6	1	Maryland	257.2
2	Maryland	236.0	2	Maryland	256.0	2	Nevada	194.9
3	Florida	209.1	3	Delaware	203.3	3	Illinois	182.2
4	Delaware	197.3	4	California	194.7	4	New York	182.1
5	California	193.0	5	Florida	188.8	5	California	176.0
6	Georgia	181.7	6	Illinois	185.3	6	Florida	169.6
7	Illinois	179.7	7	Tennessee	184.3	7	Tennessee	168.1
8	Tennessee	179.0	8	New York	178.6	8	Ohio	162.8
9	Texas	162.2	9	Pennsylvania	168.6	9	Texas	156.1
10	New York	161.1	10	Ohio	166.8	10	Delaware	155.2
11	Alabama	159.9	11	Georgia	165.6	11	Pennsylvania	154.9
12	Ohio	159.2	12	Texas	158.5	12	Georgia	153.7
13	Pennsylvania	156.5	13	Alabama	153.5	13	New Jersey	151.8
14	Arizona	151.7	14	New Jersey	153.1	14	North Carolina	145.7
15	North Carolina	149.5	15	North Carolina	152.2	15	Arizona	144.1
16	New Jersey	144.5	16	Arizona	149.6	16	Alabama	141.7
17	South Carolina	144.0	17	Michigan	140.7	17	South Carolina	133.2
18	Louisiana	141.7	18	South Carolina	136.5	18	Michigan	132.1
19	Michigan	133.2	19	Louisiana	133.6	19	Missouri	124.1
20	Indiana	124.1	20	Missouri	129.9	20	Massachusetts	121.8
21	Missouri	121.9	21	Massachusetts	125.0	21	Louisiana	118.4
22	New Mexico	117.8	22	Connecticut	121.0	22	Connecticut	112.3
23	Massachusetts	108.6	23	Indiana	114.7	23	Indiana	108.7
24	Arkansas	106.7	24	New Mexico	107.7	24	Virginia	99.1
25	Connecticut	103.0	25	Mississippi	107.1	25	New Mexico	98.3
26	Virginia	99.2	26	Minnesota	105.1	26	Minnesota	92.1
27	Mississippi	98.2	27	Virginia	101.4	27	Washington	92.0
28	Wisconsin	97.7	28	Wisconsin	100.2	28	Arkansas	91.2
29	Kentucky	95.9	29	Washington	100.2	29	Oklahoma	91.2
30	Washington	93.6	30	Arkansas	98.4	30	Kentucky	88.4
31	Oklahoma	93.2	31	Alaska	90.3	31	Colorado	84.7
32		91.8	32	Hawaii	88.9	32		82.7
	Minnesota						Mississippi	82.4
33 34	Hawaii	86.1	33	Oklahoma	87.5	33	Wisconsin	
	Alaska	85.3		Kentucky	86.2	_	Alaska	81.0
35	Oregon	76.4	35	Colorado	80.7	35	Hawaii	78.6
36	Kansas	72.6	36	Oregon	72.7	36	Rhode Island	72.3
37	Colorado	71.0	37	Rhode Island	68.8	37	Oregon	68.1
38	Rhode Island	71.0	38	Kansas	67.9	38	Kansas	65.3
39	Nebraska	62.4	39	Nebraska	63.8	39	Nebraska	59.2
40	Utah	53.7	40	Utah	48.8	40	West Virginia	45.0
41	West Virginia	47.0	41	West Virginia	46.9	41	Utah	44.0
42	Iowa	43.9	42	lowa	43.5	42	lowa	38.9
43	New Hampshire	32.8	43	New Hampshire	32.2	43	New Hampshire	27.9
44	Maine	26.5	44	Maine	29.1	44	Maine	24.5
45	Montana	19.9	45	Idaho	20.5	45	Montana	18.9
46	Wyoming	16.1	46	Vermont	17.6	46	South Dakota	18.7
47	Idaho	15.5	47	Montana	17.4	47	Idaho	18.6
48	South Dakota	14.1	48	South Dakota	15.2	48	Wyoming	15.3
49	Vermont	12.9	49	Wyoming	14.0	49	Vermont	12.2
50	North Dakota	10.9	50	North Dakota	11.3	50	North Dakota	8.5

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2005-2007 (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			2006			2005	
	2007			2000			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	South Carolina	596.9	1	South Carolina	579.9	1	South Carolina	582.9
2	Louisiana	541.2	2	Tennessee	533.7	2	Tennessee	545.2
3	Tennessee	532.5	3	Alaska	516.4	3	Florida	497.2
4	Alaska	492.0	4	Louisiana	515.4	4	New Mexico	486.5
5	New Mexico	485.8	5	Florida	481.2	5	Alaska	465.4
6	Florida	473.2	6	New Mexico	472.8	6	Louisiana	436.6
7	Delaware	448.8	7	Delaware	426.5	7	Delaware	429.1
8	Nevada	430.2	8	Nevada	407.8	8	Maryland	414.6
9	Maryland	375.1	9	Arkansas	399.4	9	Arkansas	387.2
10	Arkansas	371.2	10	Maryland	392.0	10	Oklahoma	371.0
11	Oklahoma	357.1	11	Missouri	379.3	11	Missouri	366.6
12	Michigan	350.7	12	Oklahoma	362.5	12	Michigan	363.9
13	Missouri	347.3	13	Michigan	362.4	13	Nevada	361.9
14	Kansas	331.8	14	Illinois	318.4	14	Illinois	330.3
15	Illinois	315.7	15	Texas	316.4	15	Texas	328.8
16	Texas	307.2	16	Arizona	312.7	16	Arizona	326.7
17	California	298.8	17	Kansas	307.7	17	California	317.1
18	Massachusetts	294.7	18	California	305.7	18	Massachusetts	309.0
19	Arizona	294.3	19	Massachusetts	292.1	19	North Carolina	289.7
20	North Carolina	284.1	20	North Carolina	289.1	20	Kansas	280.4
21	Georgia	281.2	21	Georgia	275.8	21	Colorado	264.9
22	Alabama	245.8	22	Colorado	264.0	22	Georgia	262.5
23	Montana	235.8	23	Pennsylvania	237.6	23	Alabama	248.3
24	New York	233.7	24	New York	235.1	24	New York	238.9
25	Colorado	232.5	25	Alabama	227.6	25	Pennsylvania	235.4
26	Pennsylvania	226.4	26	lowa	210.4	26	Montana	228.7
27	lowa	219.2	27	West Virginia	207.3	27	lowa	224.5
28	Nebraska	206.5	28	Montana	206.1	28	West Virginia	205.9
29	West Virginia	204.3	29	Washington	199.8	29	Washington	205.7
30	Washington	196.2	30	Wyoming	196.7	30	Idaho	195.3
31	Wyoming	189.5	31	Idaho	184.2	31	Nebraska	192.6
32	Idaho	182.0	32	Nebraska	184.1	32	Wyoming	188.3
33	Indiana	176.4	33	New Jersey	179.4	33	New Jersey	184.7
34	Oregon	175.8	34	Oregon	173.0	34	Oregon	181.9
35	New Jersey	168.3	35	Minnesota	172.6	35	Indiana	180.0
36	Wisconsin	168.1	36	Indiana	165.2	36	Minnesota	158.9
37	Kentucky	161.7	37	Hawaii	163.0	37	Virginia	154.9
38	Hawaii	159.6	38	Wisconsin	160.6	38	Mississippi	150.1
39	Minnesota	158.6	39	Virginia	152.1	39	Hawaii	148.0
40	Mississippi	150.3	40	Mississippi	149.5	40	Rhode Island	146.9
41	Utah	144.6	41	Kentucky	142.0	41	Utah	142.2
42	Virginia	142.6	42	Utah	139.7	42	Ohio	141.5
43	Ohio	140.7	43	Ohio	139.2	43	Kentucky	139.8
44	Connecticut	131.2	44	Connecticut	138.6	44	Connecticut	136.9
45	Rhode Island	130.3	45	Rhode Island	129.4	45	Wisconsin	135.2
46	South Dakota	114.3	46	South Dakota	112.0	46	South Dakota	109.3
47	North Dakota	97.2	47	Vermont	93.0	47	Vermont	87.6
48	Vermont	89.7	48	North Dakota	84.9	48	New Hampshire	74.3
49	New Hampshire	78.0	49	New Hampshire	79.4	49	North Dakota	72.5
50	Maine	60.2	50	Maine	59.0	50	Maine	61.8

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2005-2007, http://bisdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm

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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 2005-2007

(Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			2006			2005	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000
		Inhabitants			Inhabitants			Inhabitants
1	Alaska	77.4	1	Alaska	76.0	1	Alaska	81.1
2	New Mexico	52.4	2	New Mexico	56.0	2	New Mexico	54.1
3	Michigan	45.5	3	Michigan	52.2	3	Michigan	51.5
4	Arkansas	44.7	4	Delaware	46.9	4	South Dakota	48.7
5	Kansas	44.3	5	Arkansas	46.5	5	Delaware	44.8
6	Oklahoma	43.1	6	Kansas	44.8	6	Washington	44.7
7	Nevada	42.7	7	Colorado	43.7	7	Minnesota	44.0
8	Colorado	41.1	8	Nevada	43.2	8	South Carolina	43.8
9	Washington	40.6	9	South Dakota	43.0	9	Colorado	43.4
10	South Carolina	39.5	10	Washington	42.9	10	Arkansas	43.3
11	Delaware	38.9	11	Oklahoma	41.6	11	Nevada	42.1
12	Ohio	38.8	12	South Carolina	40.8	12	Oklahoma	41.8
13	South Dakota	38.7	13	Idaho	40.0	13	Ohio	40.7
14	Idaho	38.5	14	Ohio	39.6	14	Idaho	40.4
15	Minnesota	36.0	15	Minnesota	37.7	15	Kansas	40.0
16	Mississippi	35.6	16	Louisiana	36.4	16	Mississippi	39.4
17	Tennessee	35.3	17	Alabama	35.9	17	Florida	37.1
18	Texas	35.3	18	Florida	35.8	18	Texas	37.1
19	Utah	34.3	19	Texas	35.6	19	Utah	36.9
20	Florida	33.7	20	Tennessee	35.5	20	Tennessee	36.8
21	Oregon	33.5	21	Mississippi	34.4	21	Oregon	34.8
22	Alabama	33.4	22	Utah	34.1	22	Alabama	34.4
23	Kentucky	32.6	23	Oregon	32.3	23	Kentucky	34.1
24	Louisiana	32.4	24	Illinois	31.8	24	Illinois	33.8
25	North Dakota	32.4	25	Arizona	31.5	25	Arizona	33.7
26	Illinois	31.9	26	Nebraska	31.0	26	Nebraska	33.0
27	Wyoming	30.6	27	Kentucky	30.8	27	Montana	32.2
28	Iowa	30.3	28	North Dakota	30.4	28	Louisiana	31.5
29	Montana	30.3	29	Missouri	30.2	29	New Hampshire	31.1
30	Maine	29.7	30	Indiana	29.1	30	Rhode Island	30.1
31	Nebraska	29.7	31	Montana	28.5	31	Indiana	29.6
32	Arizona	29.3	32	North Carolina	28.2	32	Pennsylvania	28.9
33	Missouri	29.2	33	Iowa	27.8	33	Iowa	28.6
34	Pennsylvania	27.7	34	Hawaii	27.6	34	North Dakota	28.4
35	Indiana	27.5	35	Pennsylvania	27.3	35	Missouri	28.0
36	North Carolina	26.3	36	Wyoming	27.2	36	Massachusetts	27.2
37	Hawaii	25.4	37	Massachusetts	27.1	37	Hawaii	26.9
38	Massachusetts	25.3	38	Rhode Island	26.7	38	North Carolina	26.5
39	New Hampshire	25.3	39	New Hampshire	26.2	39	California	26.0
40	California	24.7	40	Maine	25.7	40	Maine	24.7
41	Rhode Island	24.2	41	California	25.3	41	Vermont	24.6
42	Georgia	22.8	42	Vermont	24.0	42	Wyoming	24.0
43	Virginia	22.6	43	Virginia	23.4	43	Georgia	23.5
44	Wisconsin	21.8	44	Georgia	23.2	44	Virginia	23.3
45	Maryland	21.0	45	West Virginia	21.4	45	Maryland	22.6
46	West Virginia	20.4	46	Maryland	21.0	46	Wisconsin	20.5
47	Vermont	19.8	47	Wisconsin	20.4	47	Connecticut	20.3
48	Connecticut	18.8	48	Connecticut	18.1	48	New York	18.8
49	New York	15.2	49	New York	16.4	49	West Virginia	18.5
50	New Jersey	12.1	50	New Jersey	14.2	50	New Jersey	13.9

Source: FBI's Crime in the United States, 2005-2007, http://bjsdata.ojp.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 2005-2007 (Rate per 100,000 population)

	2007			2006			2005	
Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000	Rank	State	Crime Rate per 100,000
		Inhabitants			Inhabitants			Inhabitants
1	Louisiana	14.2	1	Louisiana	12.3	1	Louisiana	10.0
2	Maryland	9.8	2	Maryland	9.7	2	Maryland	9.9
3	Alabama	8.9	3	Nevada	9.0	3	Nevada	8.5
4	New Mexico	8.2	4	Alabama	8.3	4	Alabama	8.2
5	South Carolina	8.0	5	South Carolina	8.3	5	Arizona	7.5
6	Georgia	7.5	6	Mississippi	7.7	6	New Mexico	7.5
7	Nevada	7.5	7	Arizona	7.5	7	South Carolina	7.4
8	Arizona	7.4	8	Arkansas	7.3	8	Mississippi	7.4
9	Mississippi	7.1	9	Michigan	7.1	9	Tennessee	7.2
10	Arkansas	6.7	10	California	6.8	10	Missouri	6.9
11	Michigan	6.7	11	New Mexico	6.8	11	California	6.9
12	Florida	6.6	12	Tennessee	6.8	12	Arkansas	6.8
13	Missouri	6.5	13	Georgia	6.4	13	North Carolina	6.7
14	North Carolina	6.5	14	Missouri	6.3	14	Michigan	6.2
15	Alaska	6.4	15	Florida	6.2	15	Georgia	6.2
16	Tennessee	6.4	16	Illinois	6.1	16	Pennsylvania	6.1
17	California	6.2	17	North Carolina	6.1	17	Virginia	6.1
18	Oklahoma	6.1	18	Pennsylvania	5.9	18	Texas	6.1
19	Illinois	5.9	19	Texas	5.9	19	Illinois	6.0
20	Texas	5.9	20	Indiana	5.8	20	Indiana	5.7
21	Pennsylvania	5.8	21	Oklahoma	5.8	21	Oklahoma	5.3
22	Indiana	5.6	22	Alaska	5.4	22	Ohio	5.1
23	Virginia	5.3	23	Virginia	5.2	23	Florida	5.0
24	Kentucky	4.8	24	Delaware	4.9	24	New Jersey	4.8
25	Ohio	4.5	25	New Jersey	4.9	25	Alaska	4.8
26	New Jersey	4.4	26	New York	4.8	26	Kentucky	4.6
27	Delaware	4.3	27	Ohio	4.7	27	New York	4.5
28	New York	4.2	28	Kansas	4.6	28	West Virginia	4.5
29	Kansas	3.9	29	West Virginia	4.1	29	Delaware	4.4
30	Nebraska	3.8	30	Kentucky	4.0	30	Wisconsin	3.7
31	West Virginia	3.5	31	Colorado	3.3	31	Kansas	3.7
32	Idaho	3.3	32	Connecticut	3.1	32	Colorado	3.7
33	Wisconsin	3.3	33	Washington	3.0	33	Washington	3.3
34	Colorado	3.1	34	Wisconsin	3.0	34	Rhode Island	3.2
35	Wyoming	3.1	35	Massachusetts	2.9	35	Connecticut	3.0
36	Connecticut	3.0	36	Nebraska	2.8	36	Massachusetts	2.8
37	Massachusetts	2.9	37	Rhode Island	2.6	37	Wyoming	2.8
38	Washington	2.7	38	Idaho	2.5	38	Nebraska	2.5
39	Minnesota	2.2	39	Minnesota	2.4	39	Idaho	2.4
40	Utah	2.2	40	Oregon	2.3	40	South Dakota	2.3
41	South Dakota	2.1	41	Vermont	1.9	41	Minnesota	2.2
42	North Dakota	1.9	42	Iowa	1.8	42	Utah	2.2
43	Oregon	1.9	43	Montana	1.8	43	Oregon	2.2
44	Vermont	1.9	44	Utah	1.8	44	North Dakota	1.9
45	Rhode Island	1.8	45	Maine	1.7	45	Montana	1.9
46	Hawaii	1.7	46	Wyoming	1.7	46	Hawaii	1.9
47	Maine	1.6	47	Hawaii	1.6	47	New Hampshire	1.5
48	Montana	1.5	48	North Dakota	1.3	48	Maine	1.4
49	Iowa	1.2	49	South Dakota	1.2	49	Vermont	1.3
50	New Hampshire	1.1	50	New Hampshire	1.0	50	Iowa	1.3

 $Source: FBI's \ Crime \ in \ the \ United \ States, 2005-2007, \\ \underline{http://bjsdata.ojp.usdoj.gov/dataonline/Search/Crime/State/StateCrime.cfm}$

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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 2007, more than 17,700 city, county, college and university, state, tribal, and federal agencies voluntarily participated in the UCR Program.

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.

A total of 182 entities reported within Connecticut in 2007. This includes the Connecticut State Police reporting as a separate entity. With 169 municipalities in Connecticut, there are 92 separate local Police Departments (PD) which cover 85% of the State's population. Among the 92 local PD, 67 utilize NIBRS and 25 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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