

## **CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT**

### **REGIONAL POLICING**

- Capital Regional District is policed by four independent municipal police forces, and the RCMP. The four areas with independent police forces are Victoria, Saanich, Central Saanich, and Oak Bay. The RCMP provides municipal police services to Colwood, Langford, North Saanich, Sooke, Sidney and View Royal while the RCMP Provincial Force polices the rural areas of West Shore, Sidney, Sooke, Saltspring Island and Outer Gulf Islands.
- In 2007, there were 523 members assigned to police this area: 414 policed independent municipal force areas; 84 policed RCMP municipal areas, and 25 policed the region's rural areas.
- A case load of 62 Criminal Code offences per member was recorded for Capital Regional District in 2007. This was 7% less than the member workload of 67 recorded in 2006. The region's 2007 case load was lower than the provincial case load of 72.
- In 2007, the total population of the regional district was 366,162; the population served per member was 700.

### **REGIONAL CRIME TRENDS**

- Police in BC record criminal activity using Statistics Canada's Uniform Crime Reporting Survey. Criminal Code offences are used in police workload and crime rate calculations. They include violent, property, and other Criminal Code crimes.
- In 2007, 32,425 Criminal Code offences were recorded within the regional district. This was a 7% drop (-2,605 offences) from the 35,030 recorded in 2006.
- In 2007, Capital recorded a crime rate of 89, lower than the provincial crime rate of 104, and 8% less than the region's 2006 crime rate of 97 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 3,175 violent crimes were reported, a less than 1% increase (+6 offences) from the 3,169 recorded in 2006. The 2007 Capital violent crime rate remained stable at 8.7 violent crimes per 1,000 population. The region's 2007 violent crime rate was lower than the provincial violent crime rate of 12 violent offences per 1,000 population.
- The volume of Level 1 Assaults (common assault) is the major driver of the violent crime rate. In 2007, 2,074 common assaults were reported by within the regional district, a 10% increase (+186 offences) from the 1,888 reported in 2006. The 2007 Capital common assault rate was 5.7 offences per 1,000 population, a 10% increase from the 2006 rate of 5.2. The region's 2007 common assault rate was lower than the provincial common assault rate of 7.1 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 17,045 property crimes were recorded within the regional district, a 12% decrease (-2,368 offences) from the 19,413 reported in 2006. The 2007 Capital property crime rate was 47 property crimes per 1,000 population, a 13% decrease from the 2006 rate of 54. The region's 2007 property crime rate was lower than the provincial property crime rate of 52 property offences per 1,000 population.

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### **REGIONAL CRIME TRENDS** Cont'd

- Motor vehicle theft includes the theft or attempted theft of automobiles, trucks, motorcycles and other motorized vehicles. In 2007, 1,218 motor vehicle thefts were reported within the regional district, a 7% decrease (-94 offences) from the 1,312 reported in 2006. The 2007 Capital motor vehicle theft rate was 3.3 offences per 1,000 population, an 8% decrease from the 2006 rate of 3.6. The region's 2007 motor vehicle theft rate was lower than the provincial motor vehicle theft rate of 6.2 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 12,205 other crimes were reported within the regional district, a 2% decline (-243 offences) from the 12,448 reported in 2006. The 2007 Capital other crime rate was 33 other crimes per 1,000 population, a 1% drop from the 2006 rate of 34. The region's 2007 other crime rate was lower than the provincial other crime rate of 41 other offences per 1,000 population.
- Not included in crime rate and case load calculations are drug crimes which include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, and other CSDA drug offences. In 2007, 1,680 drug crimes were reported within the regional district, a 10% increase (+154 offences) from the 1,526 reported in 2006. The 2007 Capital drug crime rate was 4.6 offences per 1,000 population, a 10% increase from the 2006 rate of 4.2. The region's 2007 drug crime rate was lower than the provincial drug crime rate of 6.5 offences per 1,000 population.

### **REGIONAL POPULATION**

- In 2007, Census results indicated that the population for the regional district was 366,162, a 1% increase from the 2006 population of 362,447.
- Over the past ten years, the population for the region has increased 9%, from 336,083 in 1998 to 366,162 in 2007.

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REGIONAL DISTRICT SUMMARY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	<b>336,083</b>	<b>337,005</b>	<b>336,525</b>	<b>340,030</b>	<b>343,730</b>	<b>347,980</b>	<b>351,948</b>	<b>357,953</b>	<b>362,447</b>	<b>366,162</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>523</b>
Case Load	77	80	72	67	68	72	70	67	67	62
Population Served Per Member	699	698	687	680	685	700	702	702	697	700
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	4,367	4,104	3,797	3,828	3,758	3,724	3,265	3,224	3,169	3,175
Crime Rate	13.0	12.2	11.3	11.3	10.9	10.7	9.3	9.0	8.7	8.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	19,645	21,285	18,394	17,875	18,288	18,309	19,178	18,964	19,413	17,045
Crime Rate	58.5	63	55	53	53	53	54	53	54	47
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	13,172	13,023	13,309	11,924	11,875	13,556	12,521	12,092	12,448	12,205
Crime Rate	39	39	40	35	35	39	36	34	34	33
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>37,184</b>	<b>38,412</b>	<b>35,500</b>	<b>33,627</b>	<b>33,921</b>	<b>35,589</b>	<b>34,964</b>	<b>34,280</b>	<b>35,030</b>	<b>32,425</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	1,399	1,364	1,482	1,821	1,574	1,848	1,626	1,563	1,526	1,680
Crime Rate	4.2	4	4.4	5.4	4.6	5.3	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.6
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	2,811	2,709	2,480	2,570	2,575	2,526	2,080	2,078	1,888	2,074
Crime Rate	8.4	8	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.3	5.9	5.8	5.2	5.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	965	1,218	754	1,180	952	1,031	1,134	897	1,312	1,218
Crime Rate	2.9	3.6	2.2	3.5	2.8	3	3.2	2.5	3.6	3.3

DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	<b>15,539</b>	<b>15,710</b>	<b>15,824</b>	<b>16,018</b>	<b>16,103</b>	<b>16,211</b>	<b>16,347</b>	<b>16,628</b>	<b>16,556</b>	<b>16,619</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>
Case Load	46	44	40	37	36	35	36	39	35	40
Population Served Per Member	740	748	754	763	767	772	778	792	788	791
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	82	89	78	78	69	68	61	78	56	81
Crime Rate	5.3	5.7	4.9	4.9	4.3	4.2	3.7	4.7	3.4	4.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	465	412	400	356	315	308	344	393	358	373
Crime Rate	29.9	26	25	22	20	19	21	24	22	22
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	414	414	372	350	371	361	350	354	316	380
Crime Rate	27	26	24	22	23	22	21	21	19	23
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>834</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	31	67	75	82	75	38	33	31	28	54
Crime Rate	2	4.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	2.3	2	1.9	1.7	3.2
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	58	58	61	60	52	51	40	57	34	46
Crime Rate	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.2	3.1	2.4	3.4	2.1	2.8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	10	17	9	10	14	8	10	12	16	19
Crime Rate	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.7	1	1.1

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CITY OF COLWOOD	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	14,529	14,439	14,375	14,345	14,502	14,600	14,768	15,057	15,413	15,764
<b>Police Strength</b>	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	16	16	16
Case Load	80	81	75	66	73	79	76	71	90	82
Population Served Per Member	1,038	963	958	956	967	973	985	941	963	985
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	136	115	91	80	112	96	89	83	79	89
Crime Rate	9.4	8	6.3	5.6	7.7	6.6	6	5.5	5.1	5.6
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	439	587	481	416	485	473	445	476	698	640
Crime Rate	30.2	41	33	29	33	32	30	32	45	41
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	546	520	546	487	498	614	603	575	655	576
Crime Rate	38	36	38	34	34	42	41	38	42	37
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>1,137</b>	<b>1,134</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,305</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	44	45	44	38	44	48	79	82	45	37
Crime Rate	3	3.1	3.1	2.6	3	3.3	5.3	5.4	2.9	2.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	99	78	69	55	88	69	65	63	51	67
Crime Rate	6.8	5.4	4.8	3.8	6.1	4.7	4.4	4.2	3.3	4.3
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	19	32	20	24	31	40	43	33	71	67
Crime Rate	1.3	2.2	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.7	2.9	2.2	4.6	4.3
<b>CITY OF LANGFORD</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Population</b>	19,026	19,175	19,450	19,660	20,274	20,986	21,585	22,565	23,452	24,817
<b>Police Strength</b>	23	23	23	24	24	24	24	24	25	25
Case Load	90	106	104	99	101	102	106	102	119	116
Population Served Per Member	827	834	846	819	845	874	899	940	938	993
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	291	250	236	221	228	209	249	248	270	268
Crime Rate	15.3	13	12.1	11.2	11.2	10	11.5	11	11.5	10.8
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	933	1,186	1,070	1,180	1,141	1,144	1,208	1,192	1,431	1,442
Crime Rate	49	62	55	60	56	55	56	53	61	58
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	857	996	1,096	974	1,055	1,103	1,079	1,004	1,284	1,181
Crime Rate	45	52	56	50	52	53	50	44	55	48
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>2,081</b>	<b>2,432</b>	<b>2,402</b>	<b>2,375</b>	<b>2,424</b>	<b>2,456</b>	<b>2,536</b>	<b>2,444</b>	<b>2,985</b>	<b>2,891</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	101	118	81	123	100	141	174	151	116	112
Crime Rate	5.3	6.2	4.2	6.3	4.9	6.7	8.1	6.7	4.9	4.5
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	221	181	177	171	166	163	211	191	147	201
Crime Rate	11.6	9.4	9.1	8.7	8.2	7.8	9.8	8.5	6.3	8.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	46	58	36	59	58	89	112	106	156	158
Crime Rate	2.4	3	1.9	3	2.9	4.2	5.2	4.7	6.7	6.4

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DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	10,861	10,858	10,838	10,890	10,977	11,107	11,186	11,349	11,372	11,319
<b>Police Strength</b>	8	8	8	8	9	9	9	10	11	11
Case Load	69	55	53	59	54	51	43	38	38	38
Population Served Per Member	1,358	1,357	1,355	1,361	1,220	1,234	1,243	1,135	1,034	1,029
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	37	30	31	42	31	29	32	28	39	22
Crime Rate	3.4	2.8	2.9	3.9	2.8	2.6	2.9	2.5	3.4	1.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	260	196	198	207	221	216	189	177	179	184
Crime Rate	23.9	18	18	19	20	19	17	16	16	16
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	256	213	194	220	233	213	168	178	202	211
Crime Rate	24	20	18	20	21	19	15	16	18	19
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>417</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	32	18	20	41	21	32	65	33	44	44
Crime Rate	2.9	1.7	1.8	3.8	1.9	2.9	5.8	2.9	3.9	3.9
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	30	28	26	35	22	23	25	22	25	17
Crime Rate	2.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	2	2.1	2.2	1.9	2.2	1.5
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	6	7	6	11	11	7	7	7	7	12
Crime Rate	0.6	0.6	0.6	1	1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.1
<b>DISTRICT OF OAK BAY</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Population</b>	18,569	18,559	18,488	18,573	18,683	18,753	18,853	18,917	18,846	18,795
<b>Police Strength</b>	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	24
Case Load	45	44	43	42	42	60	58	54	42	38
Population Served Per Member	844	844	840	844	849	852	857	860	857	783
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	66	62	49	68	42	63	47	41	30	44
Crime Rate	3.6	3.3	2.7	3.7	2.2	3.4	2.5	2.2	1.6	2.3
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	611	608	549	509	506	823	708	753	570	517
Crime Rate	32.9	33	30	27	27	44	38	40	30	28
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	323	307	350	346	365	440	529	394	325	348
Crime Rate	17	17	19	19	20	23	28	21	17	19
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>1,188</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>909</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	29	35	26	49	46	49	24	18	18	20
Crime Rate	1.6	1.9	1.4	2.6	2.5	2.6	1.3	1	1	1.1
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	41	43	35	48	31	46	29	25	18	21
Crime Rate	2.2	2.3	1.9	2.6	1.7	2.5	1.5	1.3	1	1.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	19	25	14	26	10	18	18	19	26	27
Crime Rate	1	1.3	0.8	1.4	0.5	1	1	1	1.4	1.4

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AREA POLICED AS OUTER GULF ISLANDS PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	3,351	3,397	3,367	4,791	4,870	4,945	5,003	5,119	5,182	5,239
<b>Police Strength</b>	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Case Load	81	90	59	60	56	54	56	58	57	53
Population Served Per Member	838	849	842	1,198	1,218	1,236	1,251	1,280	1,296	1,310
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	23	19	14	11	29	43	38	31	27	18
Crime Rate	6.9	5.6	4.2	2.3	6	8.7	7.6	6.1	5.2	3.4
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	183	237	131	128	105	100	83	92	90	100
Crime Rate	54.6	70	39	27	22	20	17	18	17	19
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	119	102	91	100	91	73	102	107	109	93
Crime Rate	36	30	27	21	19	15	20	21	21	18
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	15	8	10	14	23	25	17	20	18	6
Crime Rate	4.5	2.4	3	2.9	4.7	5.1	3.4	3.9	3.5	1.1
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	17	12	8	6	23	32	27	22	23	14
Crime Rate	5.1	3.5	2.4	1.3	4.7	6.5	5.4	4.3	4.4	2.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	11	4	2	3	2	3	2	4	1	4
Crime Rate	3.3	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.8

DISTRICT OF SAANICH	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	107,029	107,373	107,402	108,199	109,189	110,715	111,554	112,664	113,766	114,151
<b>Police Strength</b>	133	133	136	138	141	141	144	147	147	147
Case Load	58	59	51	45	42	44	45	43	43	41
Population Served Per Member	805	807	790	784	774	785	775	766	774	777
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	790	729	753	654	663	615	515	587	532	479
Crime Rate	7.4	6.8	7	6	6.1	5.6	4.6	5.2	4.7	4.2
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	4,393	4,701	3,792	3,561	3,408	3,626	3,961	3,649	3,836	3,491
Crime Rate	41	44	35	33	31	33	36	32	34	31
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	2,515	2,474	2,397	1,960	1,919	1,978	1,973	2,110	2,014	2,015
Crime Rate	23	23	22	18	18	18	18	19	18	18
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>7698</b>	<b>7904</b>	<b>6942</b>	<b>6175</b>	<b>5990</b>	<b>6219</b>	<b>6449</b>	<b>6346</b>	<b>6382</b>	<b>5985</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	191	270	265	372	308	400	240	289	274	277
Crime Rate	1.8	2.5	2.5	3.4	2.8	3.6	2.2	2.6	2.4	2.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	500	483	493	469	496	449	331	392	313	289
Crime Rate	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	3	3.5	2.8	2.5
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	198	285	157	264	200	192	183	151	245	243
Crime Rate	1.8	2.7	1.5	2.4	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.3	2.2	2.1

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AREA POLICED AS SALTSRING PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	10,471	10,457	10,368	9,383	9,537	9,684	9,797	10,025	10,148	10,261
<b>Police Strength</b>	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8
Case Load	93	62	80	57	50	74	95	92	76	74
Population Served Per Member	1,496	1,494	1,481	1,340	1,362	1,383	1,400	1,432	1,269	1,283
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	80	66	76	53	56	73	102	97	83	71
Crime Rate	7.6	6.3	7.3	5.6	5.9	7.5	10.4	9.7	8.2	6.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	297	201	231	152	159	250	262	257	232	206
Crime Rate	28.4	19	22	16	17	26	27	26	23	20
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	277	164	253	196	134	197	299	289	294	315
Crime Rate	26	16	24	21	14	20	31	29	29	31
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>592</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	29	38	37	50	42	58	77	71	58	78
Crime Rate	2.8	3.6	3.6	5.3	4.4	6	7.9	7.1	5.7	7.6
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	69	52	61	48	47	52	84	77	58	54
Crime Rate	6.6	5	5.9	5.1	4.9	5.4	8.6	7.7	5.7	5.3
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	11	7	9	13	10	19	12	17	27	10
Crime Rate	1.1	0.7	0.9	1.4	1	2	1.2	1.7	2.7	1

TOWN OF SIDNEY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	11,318	11,350	11,332	11,404	11,422	11,533	11,535	11,879	11,890	12,017
<b>Police Strength</b>	13	13	13	13	13	13	14	14	14	14
Case Load	74	66	56	61	49	47	48	46	52	48
Population Served Per Member	871	873	872	877	879	887	824	849	849	858
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	82	80	69	76	49	51	60	62	69	61
Crime Rate	7.2	7	6.1	6.7	4.3	4.4	5.2	5.2	5.8	5.1
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	437	387	318	346	318	309	333	301	283	267
Crime Rate	38.6	34	28	30	28	27	29	25	24	22
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	440	391	345	372	270	254	277	282	375	343
Crime Rate	39	34	30	33	24	22	24	24	32	29
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>671</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	31	32	30	59	45	59	62	64	80	94
Crime Rate	2.7	2.8	2.6	5.2	3.9	5.1	5.4	5.4	6.7	7.8
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	63	56	52	51	35	39	44	36	49	48
Crime Rate	5.6	4.9	4.6	4.5	3.1	3.4	3.8	3	4.1	4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	15	15	4	29	22	12	13	11	15	16
Crime Rate	1.3	1.3	0.4	2.5	1.9	1	1.1	0.9	1.3	1.3

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AREA POLICED AS SIDNEY PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	3,402	3,498	3,329	3,061	3,112	3,160	3,197	3,271	3,311	3,348
<b>Police Strength</b>	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
Case Load	79	87	77	55	72	71	78	81	75	70
Population Served Per Member	1,134	1,166	1,110	1,020	1,037	1,053	1,066	1,090	828	837
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	59	49	46	33	44	69	55	59	62	70
Crime Rate	17.3	14	13.8	10.8	14.1	21.8	17.2	18	18.7	20.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	99	104	109	66	85	70	81	72	62	73
Crime Rate	29.1	30	33	22	27	22	25	22	19	22
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	80	107	77	65	87	75	99	112	174	136
Crime Rate	24	31	23	21	28	24	31	34	53	41
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>279</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	2	3	14	8	3	10	21	14	18	24
Crime Rate	0.6	0.9	4.2	2.6	1	3.2	6.6	4.3	5.4	7.2
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	40	41	30	27	26	50	39	41	45	55
Crime Rate	11.8	11.7	9	8.8	8.4	15.8	12.2	12.5	13.6	16.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	4	3	1	5	2	8	2	5	3	13
Crime Rate	1.2	0.9	0.3	1.6	0.6	2.5	0.6	1.5	0.9	3.9
<b>DISTRICT OF SOOKE*</b>										
<b>Population</b>	—	—	—	—	9,187	9,315	9,581	9,886	10,165	10,504
<b>Police Strength</b>	—	—	—	—	4	5	10	10	10	10
Case Load	—	—	—	—	264	196	90	93	109	113
Population Served Per Member	—	—	—	—	2,297	1,863	958	989	1,017	1,050
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	146	163	118	114	109	130
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	15.9	17.5	12.3	11.5	10.7	12.4
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	478	389	363	384	423	400
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	52	42	38	39	42	38
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	432	427	418	434	554	600
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	47	46	44	44	55	57
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	—	—	—	—	<b>1,056</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>1,130</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	—	—	—	—	<b>115</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	51	52	45	48	67	88
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	5.6	5.6	4.7	4.9	6.6	8.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	120	129	99	95	74	107
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	13.1	13.8	10.3	9.6	7.3	10.2
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	—	35	21	25	25	20	29
Crime Rate	—	—	—	—	3.8	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.0	2.8

\*Detachment opened in 2002.



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AREA POLICED AS SOOKE PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	12,632	12,669	12,663	13,357	4,311	4,377	4,429	4,532	4,588	4,638
<b>Police Strength</b>	14	14	14	14	10	9	4	4	4	4
Case Load	104	102	94	95	44	38	91	92	114	85
Population Served Per Member	902	905	905	954	431	486	1,107	1,133	1,147	1,160
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	169	195	177	200	40	69	58	58	42	46
Crime Rate	13.4	15.4	14	15	9.3	15.8	13.1	12.8	9.2	9.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	731	748	600	598	273	161	166	176	236	160
Crime Rate	57.9	59	47	45	63	37	37	39	51	34
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	557	489	543	531	124	114	139	132	179	132
Crime Rate	44	39	43	40	29	26	31	29	39	28
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>1,457</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>1,329</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>338</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>73</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	97	44	73	79	27	33	24	19	27	17
Crime Rate	7.7	3.5	5.8	5.9	6.3	7.5	5.4	4.2	5.9	3.7
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	124	147	129	160	32	56	43	46	30	36
Crime Rate	9.8	11.6	10.2	12	7.4	12.8	9.7	10.2	6.5	7.8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	25	29	28	57	19	13	9	12	9	9
Crime Rate	2	2.3	2.2	4.3	4.4	3	2	2.6	2	1.9

CITY OF VICTORIA	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	93,546	93,164	93,168	94,196	95,061	95,729	96,886	98,243	99,673	100,407
<b>Police Strength</b>	206	207	211	218	216	211	211	215	221	222
Case Load	91	95	87	82	84	91	86	82	78	70
Population Served Per Member	454	450	442	432	440	454	459	457	451	452
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	2,407	2,278	2,010	2,215	2,143	2,081	1,738	1,626	1,636	1,688
Crime Rate	25.7	24.5	21.6	23.5	22.5	21.7	17.9	16.6	16.4	16.8
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	10,116	11,177	9,946	9,871	10,295	9,960	10,341	10,362	10,200	8,547
Crime Rate	108.1	120	107	105	108	104	107	105	102	85
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	6,184	6,180	6,487	5,812	5,813	7,182	5,984	5,595	5,446	5,380
Crime Rate	66	66	70	62	61	75	62	57	55	54
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>18,707</b>	<b>19,635</b>	<b>18,443</b>	<b>17,898</b>	<b>18,251</b>	<b>19,223</b>	<b>18,063</b>	<b>17,583</b>	<b>17,282</b>	<b>15,615</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>156</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	732	600	771	845	745	841	695	670	685	782
Crime Rate	7.8	6.4	8.3	9	7.8	8.8	7.2	6.8	6.9	7.8
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	1,452	1,433	1,234	1,374	1,360	1,298	961	924	937	1,028
Crime Rate	15.5	15.4	13.2	14.6	14.3	13.6	9.9	9.4	9.4	10.2
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	574	705	445	649	507	564	647	444	647	564
Crime Rate	6.1	7.6	4.8	6.9	5.3	5.9	6.7	4.5	6.5	5.6

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TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Population</b>	<b>6,984</b>	<b>7,234</b>	<b>7,411</b>	<b>7,587</b>	<b>7,931</b>	<b>8,209</b>	<b>8,424</b>	<b>8,864</b>	<b>9,150</b>	<b>9,200</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
Case Load	93	104	86	80	79	75	94	92	98	88
Population Served Per Member	873	904	926	948	991	1,026	1,053	1,108	1,144	1,150
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	71	72	69	43	55	46	39	41	62	53
Crime Rate	10.2	10	9.3	5.7	6.9	5.6	4.6	4.6	6.8	5.8
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	327	375	291	269	290	276	409	388	449	368
Crime Rate	46.8	52	39	35	37	34	49	44	49	40
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	342	383	330	324	289	281	303	303	270	281
Crime Rate	49	53	45	43	36	34	36	34	30	31
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>702</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	34	53	19	30	31	34	37	27	27	33
Crime Rate	4.9	7.3	2.6	4	3.9	4.1	4.4	3	3	3.6
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	50	46	44	33	40	34	34	33	36	48
Crime Rate	7.2	6.4	5.9	4.3	5	4.1	4	3.7	3.9	5.2
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	17	21	11	17	20	28	26	26	40	31
Crime Rate	2.4	2.9	1.5	2.2	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.9	4.4	3.4
<b>AREA POLICED AS WEST SHORE RURAL</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>8,826</b>	<b>9,122</b>	<b>8,510</b>	<b>8,566</b>	<b>8,571</b>	<b>8,656</b>	<b>8,803</b>	<b>8,954</b>	<b>8,935</b>	<b>9,083</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Case Load	138	144	121	91	91	99	109	117	138	109
Population Served Per Member	1,765	1,824	1,702	1,713	1,714	1,731	1,761	1,791	1,787	1,817
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	74	70	98	54	51	49	64	71	73	55
Crime Rate	8.4	7.7	11.5	6.3	6	5.7	7.3	7.9	8.2	6.1
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	354	366	278	216	209	204	285	292	366	277
Crime Rate	40.1	40	33	25	24	24	32	33	41	30
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	262	283	228	187	194	244	198	223	251	214
Crime Rate	30	31	27	22	23	28	22	25	28	24
<b>Total Criminal Code Offences</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>546</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	31	33	17	31	13	28	33	26	21	14
Crime Rate	3.5	3.6	2	3.6	1.5	3.2	3.7	2.9	2.4	1.5
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	47	51	61	33	37	35	48	54	48	43
Crime Rate	5.3	5.6	7.2	3.9	4.3	4	5.5	6	5.4	4.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	10	10	12	13	11	9	25	25	29	16
Crime Rate	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.3	1	2.8	2.8	3.2	1.8



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## **ENDNOTES**

- <sup>1</sup> Drug crimes include heroin, cocaine, cannabis and other CDSA drug offences. These data are not included in Total Criminal Code offences.
- <sup>2</sup> Motor Vehicle Theft includes four UCR crime categories: Auto Theft, Truck Theft, Motorcycle Theft, and Other Motor Vehicle Theft, e.g. snowmobiles, all terrain vehicles, motorized farming and industrial vehicles. Motor Vehicle Theft is included in Property Crimes.

## **DATA QUALIFIERS**

1. Police strengths represent an areas authorized police strength as of December 31st of each calendar year as submitted annually to Police Services Division.
2. Case burdens are defined as the number of Criminal Code offences per authorized police strength. They represent the workload per officer, and as a result, are a better indicator of the demand for police services that either an area's population base or its crime rate. The total number of Criminal Code offences and the authorized police strength as of December 31st of each calendar year are used for case burden calculations.
3. Total Criminal Code includes property, violent and other crimes. Property crimes include the offences of break and enter, theft, motor vehicle theft, possession of stolen property and fraud. Violent crimes include the offences of homicide, attempted murder, sexual and non-sexual assault, abduction and robbery. Other crimes include Criminal Code offences not classified as either violent or property crimes, e.g., prostitution, gaming & betting, weapons, bail violations, counterfeit currency, vandalism, etc.
4. The crime data contained in this report have been recorded by the police on the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR). Offences are scored according to the UCR Scoring Rules. If a single criminal incident contains a number of violations of the law, then only the most serious one is recorded for UCR purposes. Number of offences represents only those crimes reported to, or discovered by police which, upon preliminary investigation, have been deemed to have occurred or been attempted; this data does not represent or imply a count of the number of charges laid, prosecutions conducted, informations sworn or convictions obtained.
5. Crime Rate is defined as the number of offences per 1,000 population. The population figures utilized for crime rate calculations are based on the results of Canada Census which is conducted every five years. The most recent Canada Census occurred in 2006. Population figures reflect the permanent residential or "late night" population of a municipality and do not include part-time populations, i.e., commuters, students, tourists and other part-time residents.
6. The data contained in this report may vary when compared with previous reports produced by Police Services Division. Where variances occur, the report produced at the latest date will reflect the most current data available.

**SOURCES:** Crime Data: Uniform Crime Reporting Survey, CCJS, Statistics Canada;  
Population Data: BCStats, Ministry of Labour and Citizens' Services, Province of British Columbia  
Police Data: HRMIS Report, RCMP "E" Division.

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