

THOMPSON NICOLA REGIONAL DISTRICT

REGIONAL POLICING

- Thompson Nicola Regional District is policed by RCMP detachments located in Ashcroft, Barriere, Chase, Clearwater, Clinton, Logan Lake, Lytton, Kamloops and Merritt. The RCMP provides municipal police services to the Cities of Kamloops and Merritt while the RCMP Provincial Force polices the regional district's unincorporated or rural areas.
- In 2007, there were 182 RCMP members assigned to police the region: 133 members directly policed the Cities of Kamloops and Merritt while 49 were responsible for policing the regional district's unincorporated areas.
- A case load of 105 Criminal Code offences per RCMP member was recorded for Thompson Nicola Regional District in 2007. This was 2% less than the member workload of 107 recorded in 2006. The region's 2007 case load was higher than the provincial case load of 72.
- In 2007, the total population of the regional district was 135,299; the population served per member was 743.

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, 19,081 Criminal Code offences were recorded within the regional district. This was a 1% drop (-159 offences) from the 19,240 recorded in 2006.
- In 2007, Thompson Nicola recorded a crime rate of 141, higher than the provincial crime rate of 104, but 2% less than the region's 2006 crime rate of 144 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 2,214 violent crimes were reported by the RCMP, an 8% increase (+170 offences) from the 2,044 recorded in 2006. The 2007 Thompson Nicola violent crime rate was 16.4 violent crimes per 1,000 population, a 7% increase from 2006 rate of 15.3. The region's 2007 violent crime rate was higher 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, 1,552 common assaults were reported by within the regional district, a 10% increase (+136 offences) from the 1,416 reported in 2006. The 2007 Thompson Nicola common assault rate was 11.5 offences per 1,000 population, an 8% increase from the 2006 rate of 10.6. The region's 2007 common assault rate was higher than the provincial common assault rate of 7.1 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 9,035 property crimes were recorded within the regional district, a 1% increase (+119 offences) from the 8,916 reported in 2006. The Thompson Nicola property crime rate in 2007 remained stable at 67 property crimes per 1,000 population. The region's 2007 property crime rate was higher 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, 1,139 motor vehicle thefts were reported within the regional district, a 27% increase (+239 offences) from the 900 reported in 2006. The 2007 Thompson Nicola motor vehicle theft rate was 8.4 offences per 1,000 population, a 25% increase from the 2006 rate of 6.7. The region's 2007 motor vehicle theft rate was higher than the provincial motor vehicle theft rate of 6.2 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2007, 7,832 other crimes were reported within the regional district, a 5% decline (-448 offences) from the 8,280 reported in 2006. The 2007 Thompson Nicola other crime rate was 58 other crimes per 1,000 population, a 6% drop from the 2006 rate of 62. The region's 2007 other crime rate was higher 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, 1,199 drug crimes were reported within the regional district, a 37% increase (+321 offences) from the 878 reported in 2006. The 2007 Thompson Nicola drug crime rate was 8.9 offences per 1,000 population, a 35% increase from the 2006 rate of 6.6. The region's 2007 drug crime rate was higher 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 135,299, a 1% increase from the 2006 population of 133,335.
- Over the past ten years, the population for the region has increased 6%, from 128,074 in 1998 to 135,299 in 2007.



REGIONAL PROFILE 2007

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REGIONAL DISTRICT SUMMARY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	128,074	127,884	127,902	128,791	129,181	129,243	130,458	131,346	133,335	135,299
Police Strength	152	154	158	158	158	159	167	176	179	182
Case Load	114	104	104	104	115	122	115	111	107	105
Population Served Per Member	843	830	810	815	818	813	781	746	745	743
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	2,133	2,191	2,116	2,020	1,856	1,802	1,887	1,998	2,044	2,214
Crime Rate	16.7	17.1	16.5	15.7	14.4	13.9	14.5	15.2	15.3	16.4
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	9,050	8,490	8,152	7,680	9,129	10,549	9,141	9,263	8,916	9,035
Crime Rate	71	66	64	60	71	82	70	71	67	67
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	6,081	5,411	6,098	6,790	7,127	7,016	8,191	8,273	8,280	7,832
Crime Rate	47	42	48	53	55	54	63	63	62	58
Total Criminal Code Offences	17,264	16,092	16,366	16,490	18,112	19,367	19,219	19,534	19,240	19,081
Crime Rate	135	126	128	128	140	150	147	149	144	141
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	578	804	802	916	1,061	1,078	1,112	888	878	1,199
Crime Rate	4.5	6.3	6.3	7.1	8.2	8.3	8.5	6.8	6.6	8.9
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	1,499	1,519	1,559	1,457	1,362	1,312	1,334	1,392	1,416	1,552
Crime Rate	11.7	11.9	12.2	11.3	10.5	10.2	10.2	10.6	10.6	11.5
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	684	686	636	631	1,020	1,111	804	797	900	1,139
Crime Rate	5.3	5.4	5.0	4.9	7.9	8.6	6.2	6.1	6.7	8.4
AREA POLICED AS ASHCROFT PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	4,270	4,273	4,213	4,161	4,133	4,053	4,162	4,104	4,072	4,155
Police Strength	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Case Load	139	106	108	106	94	96	90	96	113	119
Population Served Per Member	854	855	843	832	827	811	832	821	814	831
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	102	79	84	67	55	72	60	55	63	83
Crime Rate	23.9	18.5	19.9	16.1	13.3	17.8	14.4	13.4	15.5	20.0
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	307	234	228	209	189	231	185	151	191	193
Crime Rate	72	55	54	50	46	57	44	37	47	46
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	286	217	228	254	228	179	204	275	312	320
Crime Rate	67	51	54	61	55	44	49	67	77	77
Total Criminal Code Offences	695	530	540	530	472	482	449	481	566	596
Crime Rate	163	124	128	127	114	119	108	117	139	143
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	17	16	15	20	40	26	30	29	38	86
Crime Rate	4.0	3.7	3.6	4.8	9.7	6.4	7.2	7.1	9.3	20.7
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	86	63	73	57	45	56	42	41	46	61
Crime Rate	20.1	14.7	17.3	13.7	10.9	13.8	10.1	10.0	11.3	14.7
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	21	19	16	19	17	32	25	16	23	20
Crime Rate	4.9	4.4	3.8	4.6	4.1	7.9	6.0	3.9	5.6	4.8

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AREA POLICED AS BARRIERE PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	3,786	3,694	3,588	3,457	3,437	3,437	3,494	3,500	3,539	3,599
Police Strength	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4
Case Load	117	104	75	75	76	74	65	69	66	72
Population Served Per Member	1,262	1,231	1,196	1,152	1,146	1,146	1,165	875	885	900
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	49	41	40	35	37	40	32	45	50	40
Crime Rate	12.9	11.1	11.1	10.1	10.8	11.6	9.2	12.9	14.1	11.1
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	194	158	107	99	115	80	105	119	115	89
Crime Rate	51	43	30	29	33	23	30	34	32	25
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	109	112	78	90	75	102	58	110	99	158
Crime Rate	29	30	22	26	22	30	17	31	28	44
Total Criminal Code Offences	352	311	225	224	227	222	195	274	264	287
Crime Rate	93	84	63	65	66	65	56	78	75	80
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	59	62	52	57	88	61	43	30	55	67
Crime Rate	15.6	16.8	14.5	16.5	25.6	17.7	12.3	8.6	15.5	18.6
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	34	21	27	25	25	33	25	31	36	28
Crime Rate	9.0	5.7	7.5	7.2	7.3	9.6	7.2	8.9	10.2	7.8
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	9	4	7	11	8	9	4	8	6	7
Crime Rate	2.4	1.1	2.0	3.2	2.3	2.6	1.1	2.3	1.7	1.9
AREA POLICED AS CHASE PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	8,393	8,455	8,424	9,476	9,465	9,480	9,617	9,729	9,913	10,041
Police Strength	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	9
Case Load	104	118	99	101	114	111	101	109	86	93
Population Served Per Member	1,049	1,057	1,053	1,185	1,183	1,185	1,202	1,216	1,101	1,116
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	97	110	96	91	105	104	113	106	85	85
Crime Rate	11.6	13.0	11.4	9.6	11.1	11.0	11.8	10.9	8.6	8.5
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	438	511	352	332	367	367	327	352	318	386
Crime Rate	52	60	42	35	39	39	34	36	32	38
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	294	321	341	386	436	417	370	411	369	370
Crime Rate	35	38	40	41	46	44	38	42	37	37
Total Criminal Code Offences	829	942	789	809	908	888	810	869	772	841
Crime Rate	99	111	94	85	96	94	84	89	78	84
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	59	73	59	84	89	169	135	91	56	93
Crime Rate	7.0	8.6	7.0	8.9	9.4	17.8	14.0	9.4	5.6	9.3
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	70	86	83	71	62	56	88	77	64	69
Crime Rate	8.3	10.2	9.9	7.5	6.6	5.9	9.2	7.9	6.5	6.9
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	27	35	32	28	56	59	47	46	37	80
Crime Rate	3.2	4.1	3.8	3.0	5.9	6.2	4.9	4.7	3.7	8.0

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AREA POLICED AS CLEARWATER PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	5,498	5,466	5,506	4,732	4,705	4,704	4,783	4,791	4,845	4,926
Police Strength	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Case Load	103	80	99	90	92	86	78	84	79	74
Population Served Per Member	1,100	1,093	1,101	946	941	941	957	958	969	985
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	79	41	58	67	41	42	68	70	44	52
Crime Rate	14.4	7.5	10.5	14.2	8.7	8.9	14.2	14.6	9.1	10.6
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	213	187	211	225	260	252	180	143	145	161
Crime Rate	39	34	38	48	55	54	38	30	30	33
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	222	172	227	156	160	135	143	207	206	156
Crime Rate	40	31	41	33	34	29	30	43	43	32
Total Criminal Code Offences	514	400	496	448	461	429	391	420	395	369
Crime Rate	93	73	90	95	98	91	82	88	82	75
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	57	36	45	70	72	83	61	60	70	148
Crime Rate	10.4	6.6	8.2	14.8	15.3	17.6	12.8	12.5	14.4	30.0
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	55	28	44	52	25	37	57	53	32	35
Crime Rate	10.0	5.1	8.0	11.0	5.3	7.9	11.9	11.1	6.6	7.1
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	9	14	13	19	11	21	11	14	17	10
Crime Rate	1.6	2.6	2.4	4.0	2.3	4.5	2.3	2.9	3.5	2.0
AREA POLICED AS CLINTON PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	2,667	2,573	2,508	2,589	2,548	2,531	2,537	2,492	2,564	2,585
Police Strength	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Case Load	82	89	65	68	70	57	54	52	46	38
Population Served Per Member	667	643	627	647	637	633	634	623	641	646
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	29	60	36	34	52	28	28	27	26	24
Crime Rate	10.9	23.3	14.4	13.1	20.4	11.1	11.0	10.8	10.1	9.3
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	220	156	105	113	116	97	85	85	76	74
Crime Rate	83	61	42	44	46	38	34	34	30	29
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	80	139	120	126	110	103	102	95	82	53
Crime Rate	30	54	48	49	43	41	40	38	32	21
Total Criminal Code Offences	329	355	261	273	278	228	215	207	184	151
Crime Rate	123	138	104	105	109	90	85	83	72	58
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	8	20	25	63	60	30	18	13	13	25
Crime Rate	3.0	7.8	10.0	24.3	23.5	11.9	7.1	5.2	5.1	9.7
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	23	28	29	23	46	22	23	24	21	17
Crime Rate	8.6	10.9	11.6	8.9	18.1	8.7	9.1	9.6	8.2	6.6
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	14	10	9	9	9	9	8	6	8	6
Crime Rate	5.2	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.2	2.4	3.1	2.3

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CITY OF KAMLOOPS	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	80,352	80,177	80,431	82,195	82,829	83,010	83,604	84,473	86,039	87,348
Police Strength	99	101	104	104	104	104	112	118	120	120
Case Load	112	105	107	107	120	137	124	118	112	109
Population Served Per Member	812	794	773	790	796	798	746	716	717	728
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	1,320	1,358	1,353	1,238	1,100	1,074	1,221	1,191	1,280	1,442
Crime Rate	16.4	16.9	16.8	15.1	13.3	12.9	14.6	14.1	14.9	16.5
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	6,032	5,853	5,974	5,521	6,782	8,215	6,948	7,084	6,615	6,772
Crime Rate	75	73	74	67	82	99	83	84	77	78
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	3,765	3,364	3,832	4,342	4,612	4,919	5,717	5,673	5,499	4,830
Crime Rate	47	42	48	53	56	59	68	67	64	55
Total Criminal Code Offences	11,117	10,575	11,159	11,101	12,494	14,208	13,886	13,948	13,394	13,044
Crime Rate	138	132	139	135	151	171	166	165	156	149
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	256	415	392	412	479	449	506	403	373	548
Crime Rate	3.2	5.2	4.9	5.0	5.8	5.4	6.1	4.8	4.3	6.3
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	903	966	982	885	792	779	842	802	853	1,003
Crime Rate	11.2	12.0	12.2	10.8	9.6	9.4	10.1	9.5	9.9	11.5
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	453	478	435	443	797	841	576	596	631	824
Crime Rate	5.6	6.0	5.4	5.4	9.6	10.1	6.9	7.1	7.3	9.4
AREA POLICED AS LOGAN LAKE PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	2,884	2,791	2,723	2,742	2,738	2,763	2,767	2,753	2,750	2,751
Police Strength	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Case Load	98	77	70	77	60	81	77	89	73	76
Population Served Per Member	961	930	908	914	913	921	922	918	917	917
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	33	25	30	24	22	37	13	24	31	28
Crime Rate	11.4	9.0	11.0	8.8	8.0	13.4	4.7	8.7	11.3	10.2
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	147	105	79	109	70	115	118	104	97	82
Crime Rate	51	38	29	40	26	42	43	38	35	30
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	114	102	100	98	87	91	101	138	92	118
Crime Rate	40	37	37	36	32	33	37	50	33	43
Total Criminal Code Offences	294	232	209	231	179	243	232	266	220	228
Crime Rate	102	83	77	84	65	88	84	97	80	83
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	8	5	7	10	12	24	29	35	24	11
Crime Rate	2.8	1.8	2.6	3.6	4.4	8.7	10.5	12.7	8.7	4.0
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	28	19	23	17	17	32	8	20	23	24
Crime Rate	9.7	6.8	8.4	6.2	6.2	11.6	2.9	7.3	8.4	8.7
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	10	12	2	5	8	9	21	17	18	15
Crime Rate	3.5	4.3	0.7	1.8	2.9	3.3	7.6	6.2	6.5	5.5

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AREA POLICED AS LYTTON PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	1,891	1,882	1,960	1,951	1,932	1,909	1,922	1,912	1,908	1,931
Police Strength	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Case Load	91	102	112	93	83	63	63	68	88	94
Population Served Per Member	473	471	490	488	483	477	481	478	477	483
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	66	76	71	98	70	51	52	75	74	68
Crime Rate	34.9	40.4	36.2	50.2	36.2	26.7	27.1	39.2	38.8	35.2
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	104	106	119	59	96	62	79	76	90	79
Crime Rate	55	56	61	30	50	32	41	40	47	41
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	194	226	256	213	164	140	119	120	188	229
Crime Rate	103	120	131	109	85	73	62	63	99	119
Total Criminal Code Offences	364	408	446	370	330	253	250	271	352	376
Crime Rate	192	217	228	190	171	133	130	142	184	195
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	27	60	78	43	39	28	24	21	14	30
Crime Rate	14.3	31.9	39.8	22.0	20.2	14.7	12.5	11.0	7.3	15.5
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	45	48	52	73	55	38	27	55	56	48
Crime Rate	23.8	25.5	26.5	37.4	28.5	19.9	14.0	28.8	29.4	24.9
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	19	12	11	4	8	4	13	6	8	9
Crime Rate	10.0	6.4	5.6	2.1	4.1	2.1	6.8	3.1	4.2	4.7

CITY OF MERRITT	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	7,820	7,639	7,520	7,396	7,359	7,322	7,372	7,372	7,371	7,457
Police Strength	11	11	12	12	12	13	13	13	13	13
Case Load	143	125	115	127	139	104	134	133	139	142
Population Served Per Member	711	694	627	616	613	563	567	567	567	574
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	202	251	213	243	208	189	178	285	212	200
Crime Rate	25.8	32.9	28.3	32.9	28.3	25.8	24.1	38.7	28.8	26.8
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	724	622	536	546	604	564	634	621	633	578
Crime Rate	93	81	71	74	82	77	86	84	86	78
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	650	506	635	735	854	604	934	820	964	1,069
Crime Rate	83	66	84	99	116	82	127	111	131	143
Total Criminal Code Offences	1,576	1,379	1,384	1,524	1,666	1,357	1,746	1,726	1,809	1,847
Crime Rate	202	181	184	206	226	185	237	234	245	248
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	29	42	37	58	79	43	106	104	111	93
Crime Rate	3.7	5.5	4.9	7.8	10.7	5.9	14.4	14.1	15.1	12.5
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	152	176	154	168	167	137	132	217	152	127
Crime Rate	19.4	23.0	20.5	22.7	22.7	18.7	17.9	29.4	20.6	17.0
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	61	40	48	40	47	49	31	32	62	61
Crime Rate	7.8	5.2	6.4	5.4	6.4	6.7	4.2	4.3	8.4	8.2

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AREA POLICED AS MERRITT PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	3,705	3,733	3,798	3,868	3,846	3,846	3,909	3,917	3,961	4,027
Police Strength	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5
Case Load	92	57	73	84	102	74	85	89	106	75
Population Served Per Member	926	933	950	967	962	962	977	979	990	805
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	59	43	52	45	73	60	40	46	89	66
Crime Rate	15.9	11.5	13.7	11.6	19.0	15.6	10.2	11.7	22.5	16.4
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	171	121	130	151	166	137	139	127	155	127
Crime Rate	46	32	34	39	43	36	36	32	39	32
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	137	65	111	139	169	97	159	182	178	182
Crime Rate	37	17	29	36	44	25	41	46	45	45
Total Criminal Code Offences	367	229	293	335	408	294	338	355	422	375
Crime Rate	99	61	77	87	106	76	86	91	107	93
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	28	21	20	29	61	34	67	40	33	24
Crime Rate	7.6	5.6	5.3	7.5	15.9	8.8	17.1	10.2	8.3	6.0
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	39	28	42	27	55	43	31	29	60	37
Crime Rate	10.5	7.5	11.1	7.0	14.3	11.2	7.9	7.4	15.1	9.2
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	18	15	12	12	12	13	16	14	29	22
Crime Rate	4.9	4.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.4	4.1	3.6	7.3	5.5

AREA POLICED AS T'KUMLUPS PROV	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Population	6,808	7,201	7,231	6,224	6,189	6,188	6,291	6,303	6,373	6,479
Police Strength	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	8	10
Case Load	138	122	94	108	115	127	118	90	108	97
Population Served Per Member	1,135	1,200	1,205	1,037	1,032	1,031	1,049	788	797	648
Violent Crimes										
Number of Offences	97	107	83	78	93	105	82	74	90	126
Crime Rate	14.2	14.9	11.5	12.5	15.0	17.0	13.0	11.7	14.1	19.4
Property Crimes										
Number of Offences	500	437	311	316	364	429	341	401	481	494
Crime Rate	73	61	43	51	59	69	54	64	75	76
Other Crimes										
Number of Offences	230	187	170	251	232	229	284	242	291	347
Crime Rate	34	26	24	40	37	37	45	38	46	54
Total Criminal Code Offences	827	731	564	645	689	763	707	717	862	967
Crime Rate	121	102	78	104	111	123	112	114	135	149
Drug Crimes¹										
Number of Offences	30	54	72	70	42	131	93	62	91	74
Crime Rate	4.4	7.5	10.0	11.2	6.8	21.2	14.8	9.8	14.3	11.4
Assault: Level 1										
Number of Offences	64	56	50	59	73	79	59	43	73	103
Crime Rate	9.4	7.8	6.9	9.5	11.8	12.8	9.4	6.8	11.5	15.9
Motor Vehicle Theft²										
Number of Offences	43	47	51	41	47	65	52	42	61	85
Crime Rate	6.3	6.5	7.1	6.6	7.6	10.5	8.3	6.7	9.6	13.1

ENDNOTES

- ¹ Drug crimes include heroin, cocaine, cannabis and other CDSA drug offences. These data are not included in Total Criminal Code offences.
- ² 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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