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# **CRIME IN MONTANA**

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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA CENTER**  
**OF THE MONTANA BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL**

**Dr. Gordon Browder, Chairman**

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**FOREWORD**

*Crime in Montana* is an annual report prepared by the Criminal Justice Data Center of the Montana Board of Crime Control. This report presents an overview of the nature and extent of crime in our state. It also includes, for the first time, a summary of index crimes reported by law enforcement agencies.

With our crime reporting program eight years old, we have achieved a level of reliability which enhances the utility of the data. As you will read in this report, crime has decreased in our state for the third year in a row. This decrease can only be credited to greater sophistication and professionalism within the law enforcement community as well as a greater awareness concerning crime and its prevention on the part of Montana's citizens.

Special appreciation is extended to the Montana criminal justice community, whose voluntary efforts in providing the source data make this publication possible.

Respectfully submitted,



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## **INTRODUCTION**

This report by the Criminal Justice Data Center contains the most complete and accurate information currently available concerning crime in Montana. It contains an extensive collection of facts along with detailed analyses of the prevalence of different crimes, crime trends, arrests and crime by law enforcement agency; in short, the nature, extent and location of crime in the state.

While this report addresses not only the informational needs of law enforcement agencies, planners, local government officials and legislators it should afford citizens an opportunity to assess the state's crime situation.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA CENTER**

The major mission of the Montana Criminal Justice Data Center has been the development, implementation and maintenance of data collection systems to provide both essential information on crime as it occurs within the state and on the offenders who are apprehended and enter the criminal justice system, and a statistical analysis of criminal justice data. The Criminal Justice Data Center serves as a statewide clearinghouse for criminal justice information.

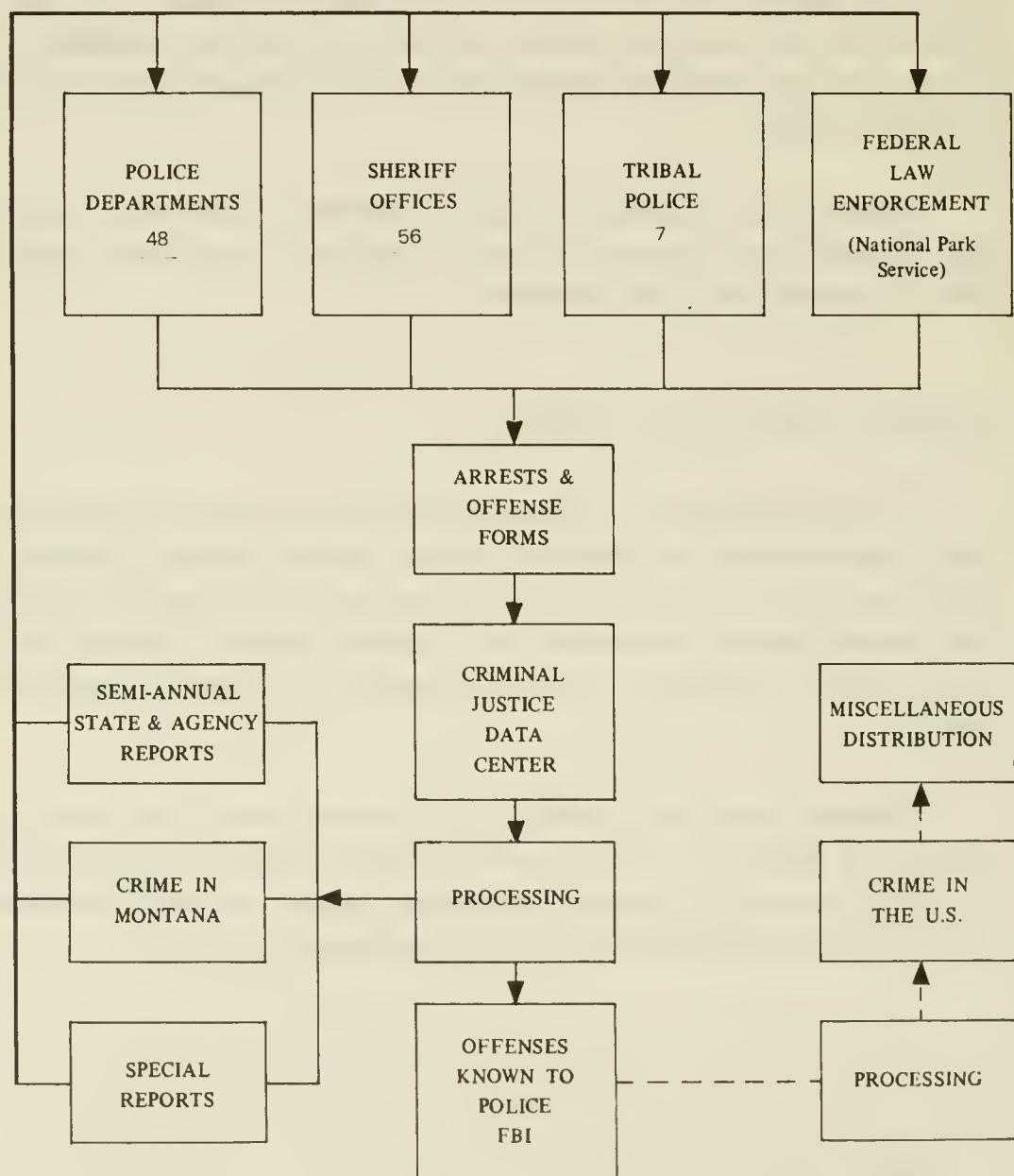
Criminal justice data is furnished to the Criminal Justice Data Center by county law enforcement agencies, city police departments and government agencies such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the National Park Service. Although reporting is voluntary, nearly all law enforcement agencies participate, as shown on pages 41 through 49.

## MONTANA UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING PROGRAM

In September, 1978, Montana became involved in the National Uniform Crime Reporting program in which the responsibility of data collection was transferred to the Montana Board of Crime Control's Criminal Justice Data Center from the Uniform Crime Reporting Division of the F.B.I. This transfer has enhanced crime data collection by giving the state more control over the crime reporting and closer contact with local law enforcement.

Illustration 1.

### MONTANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA CENTER ARRESTS AND OFFENSES STATISTICS SYSTEM



The development of Montana's Uniform Crime Reporting program has encouraged law enforcement participation in record keeping, data collection, and data analysis and its use. The law enforcement agencies are wholly responsible for compiling and completing their own crime reports and submitting them to the Data Center. On a monthly basis, law enforcement agencies (as shown on the previous page) report the number of offenses that become known, property stolen by type, value and classification, age, sex and race of persons arrested, homicides, arsons and law enforcement officers killed or assaulted.

The Montana Uniform Crime Reporting program involves two distinct data systems: the Arrest Information System and the Offense Information System. The Arrest Information System compiles and summarizes felony and misdemeanor arrests by age, race and sex of the offender, time of day and the day, week and month on which the arrest occurred. The Offense Information System summarizes the type of crimes actually being committed and reported to law enforcement agencies.

Nearly all of the law enforcement agencies in the state participate by reporting the incidence of serious crimes and arrests on a monthly basis. A reporting summary and crime index by contribution is included on pages 41 through 49. The reporting agencies include all 56 sheriff departments, seven tribal police departments, the National Park Service at Glacier Park, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and 48 local police departments. In addition, many small police departments and campus police units report to the sheriff departments in their counties and the data is forwarded to the Data Center. Several law enforcement agencies have combined during the year while others have elected to do their own jurisdictional crime reporting.

A particularly important service of the Montana Crime Reporting program is statistical feedback to contributors. Data is summarized and returned to them in the form of computerized summaries of offenses and arrests, showing crime by offense and arrest categories, clearances, volume of arrests and offenses — all of which is useful to departments in terms of resource distribution, identification of needs and problems, manpower deployment, budget allocations, and public relations.



## CRIME IN MONTANA—1978

### CRIME FACTORS

The amount and type of crime reported in this section is based on offenses reported to the police and does not measure those offenses which the law enforcement community never becomes aware of. A considerable volume of crime is not reported to law enforcement agencies because the victims may consider the offenses against them of very little consequence, they believe there is very little the police can do about them, or they fear publicity of a police investigation or retaliation from offenders. Recent national victimization surveys indicate that the actual number of certain index offenses committed may be fully double the number that are made known to police.

A report on the number and types of crime alone doesn't tell the whole story of criminal activity within the state. Other factors which may influence the type and volume of crime are:

- density and size of community
- composition of the population with reference to age, race, and sex
- economic status of the population
- stability of population such as seasonal workers and tourism
- educational, recreational and religious characteristics
- effective strength of the police force
- policies of the prosecuting officials and the courts
- attitude of the public toward law and law enforcement

### STATISTICAL METHOD OF REPORTING

Several statistical measurements are used to make the crime data more meaningful: *crime index*, *crime rate* and *crime seriousness*. These are discussed below.

### CRIME INDEX

The crime index has been used nationwide for many years as a standard for comparing the amount and extent of serious crime.

The index includes seven crimes divided into two groups. The sub-classification allows comparison and contrast of the groups.

Violent Crimes . . . . .      Homicide

Rape

Robbery

Assault

Property Crimes . . . . .      Burglary

Larceny/theft

Motor Vehicle Theft

These seven crimes are recognized as the most serious crimes in our society and the most likely to be reported to law enforcement. The numerous other felony and serious misdemeanor offenses are not included in the crime index but are included and reported on page 8, Illustration 3.

The crime index is only an indication of the amount and type of crime occurring in a jurisdiction. It is not an absolute measure. If multiple crimes were committed during an incident and reported, only the most serious is recorded in the index.

## CRIME RATE

One of the most commonly used statistical measurements is the crime rate, which calculates the number of incidents which occur for every 100,000 residents. The crime rate is useful in comparing the amount of crime in two areas with unequal populations.

The crime rate is calculated by dividing the total number of serious crimes (usually it is the seven major index crimes) by the population or estimated population and multiplying the answer by 100,000 as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Crimes}}{\text{Population of Law Enforcement Jurisdiction}} \times 100,000 = \text{Rate per 100,000}$$

According to the F.B.I. and Bureau of the Census, Montana's 1978 population is 785,000. This is the figure on which the crime rates are based in the following illustration.

Illustration 2.  
1978 MONTANA INDEX OFFENSE CRIME RATES

Violent Crimes			Property Crimes		
Index Offenses	Number Of Offenses	Rate Per 100,000 Population	Index Offenses	Number Of Offenses	Rate Per 100,000 Population
Homicide .....	37	4.7	Burglary .....	6,270	798.7
Rape .....	146	18.6	Larceny/Theft .....	20,563	2,619.5
Robbery .....	259	33.0	Motor Vehicle Theft .	2,452	312.4
Assault .....	1,519	193.5	Total .....	<u>29,285</u>	<u>3,730.6</u>
Total .....	<u>1,961</u>	<u>249.8</u>	GRAND TOTAL .....	<u>31,246</u>	<u>3,980.4</u>

Comparison of the amount of crime and estimated population for the state shows a crime rate of 3,980. This means that 3,980 out of every 100,000 Montanans were victims of a major crime — or more simply:

3,980.4 crimes per 100,000 persons

398.0 crimes per 10,000 persons

39.8 crimes per 1,000 persons

4.0 crimes per 100 persons

Out of every 100 Montanans, 4.0 were victims of an index crime. In 1977, the level of victimization was 4.2 per 100 persons — a 4.8 percent decrease in 1978.

#### CRIME INCIDENCE COMPARISON

A comparison of the number of crimes reported in 1978 to that reported in the previous year provides a measure of the fluctuation in criminal activity.

For the third time in three years, the number of index crimes has decreased. The total of 31,246 index crimes reported in 1978 is 654 fewer than the 31,900 reported in the previous year. A breakdown by offense for both years is shown in the following illustration with the percentage of change in the right column.

Illustration 3.  
CRIME INCIDENCE COMPARISON  
1977 - 1978

Offense	1977	1978	Percent Change
Homicide .....	40	37	- 7.5
Rape .....	138	146	5.8
Robbery .....	295	259	-12.2
Aggravated Assault .....	1,437	1,519	5.7
Total Offenses Against Persons .....	1,910	1,961	2.7
Burglary .....	6,363	6,270	- 1.5
Larceny/Theft .....	21,214	20,563	- 3.1
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	2,413	2,452	1.6
Total Offenses Against Property .....	29,990	29,285	- 2.4
Total 7 Major Offenses .....	31,900	31,246	- 2.1
Negligent Manslaughter .....	25	14	-44.0
Other Assaults .....	1,520	1,232	-19.0
Arson .....	174	136	-21.8
Forgery and Counterfeiting .....	521	491	- 5.8
Fraud .....	1,624	1,336	-17.7
Embezzlement .....	10	10	-0-
Stolen Property .....	329	191	-42.0
Vandalism .....	10,149	9,442	- 7.0
Weapons .....	525	381	-27.4
Prostitution .....	29	12	-58.6
Sex Offenses .....	360	303	-15.8
Drugs .....	1,499	882	-39.1
Gambling .....	40	14	-65.0
Offenses Against Family .....	984	1,003	1.9
Total Other Offenses .....	17,789	15,447	-13.2
GRAND TOTAL .....	49,689	46,693	- 6.0

The major decrease was in property crimes. Burglary and larceny/theft decreased by 1.5 percent and 3.7 percent respectively. Overall, a 2.4 percent decrease in property crime occurred in 1978.

While property crimes decreased 2.4 percent, reported violent crimes of rape, robbery and aggravated assault accounted for a 2.7 percent increase; with aggravated assault recording

a 5.7 percent increase, robbery recording a 12.2 percent decrease and rape a 5.8 percent increase.

The volume decrease in the property crime categories accounted for the general crime decrease in the seven major index offenses.

The high-volume non-index property crime of vandalism decreased 7.0 percent. Receiving/possessing stolen property decreased 42 percent from 329 reported cases in 1977 to 191 in 1978.

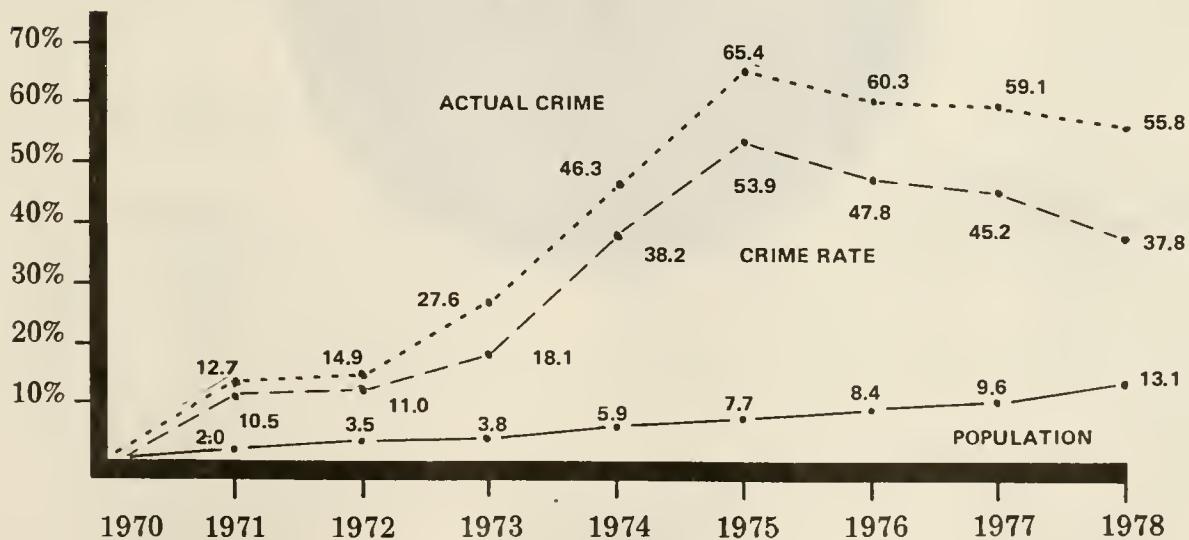
Illustration 3 on the previous page shows the specific changes in the seven major index crimes as well as the other felony and serious misdemeanor classifications.

#### CRIME AND POPULATION

In order to demonstrate the crime trend and the population trend over a period of years, a percent change is calculated using 1970 as the base year. In 1970, Montana recorded 20,052 index crimes with a crime rate of 2,887.6 per 100,000 and a population of 694,409. The rapid increase in crime in the earlier years of this decade corresponds to very small increases in the state population. By 1978, the crime rate had increased 53.9 percent over 1970 while the state population had grown only 13.1 percent in that same period.

The 1976 through 1978 crime trend figures indicate a leveling off and decrease from the peak in 1975. The population trend shows a steady increase to an estimated 785,000 in 1978.

**Illustration 4.**  
**CRIME RATE AND POPULATION CHANGES – 1970 - 1978**  
(By Percent Change From 1970)

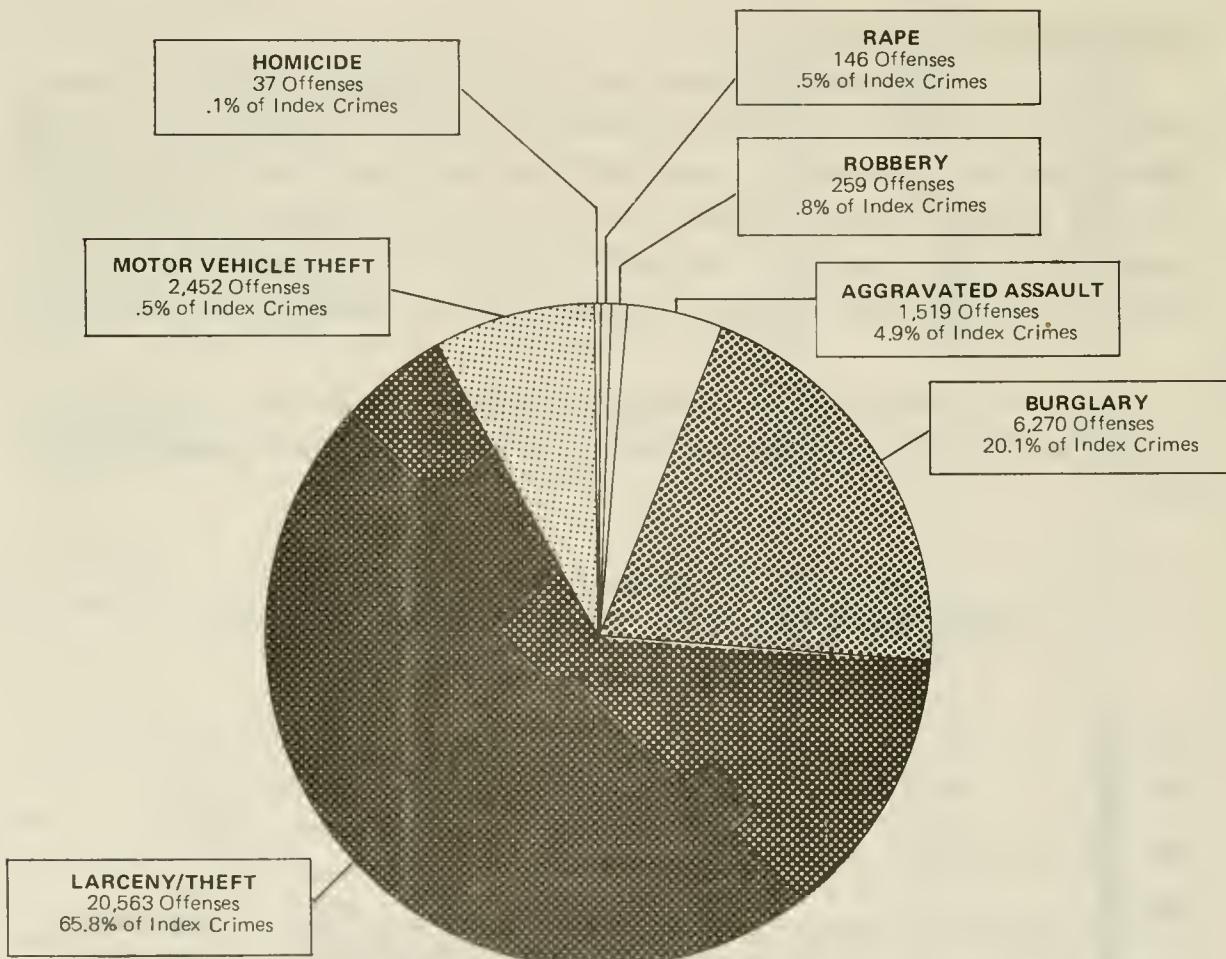


## CRIME OFFENSE PROFILE

The circle graph below shows the proportion of each index crime to the total of all the index crimes reported in 1978.

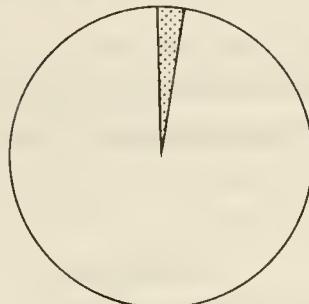
Three property crimes — burglary, larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft — account for 93.7 percent of all major crimes reported in 1978. Violent crimes of homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault accounted for 6.3 percent of the index offenses.

Illustration 5.  
CRIME PROFILE - 1978



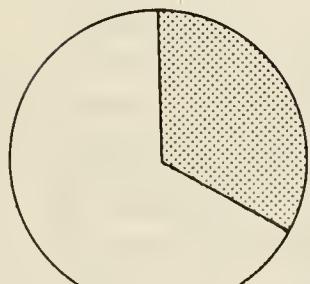
**Illustration 6.**  
**CRIME CLOCKS - 1978**

**INDEX CRIMES**



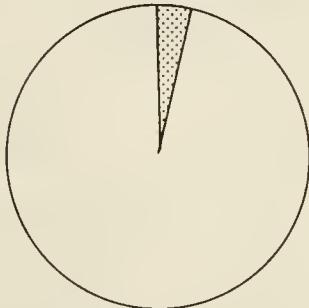
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**VIOLENT CRIMES**



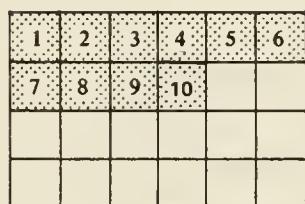
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**PROPERTY CRIMES**



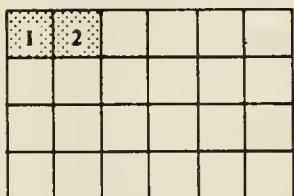
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**HOMICIDE**



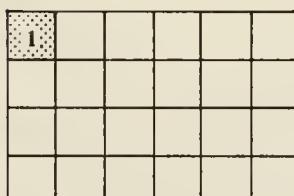
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**RAPE**



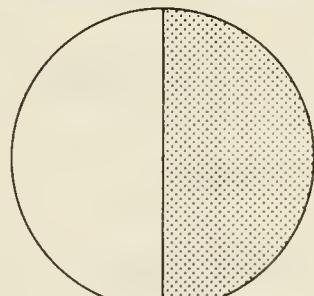
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**ROBBERY**



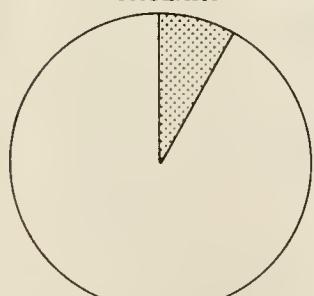
One every day

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT**



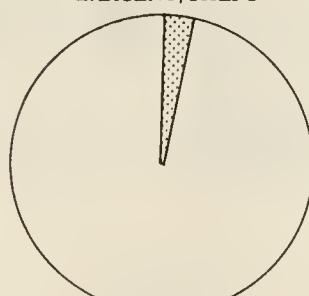
One every 6 hrs.

**BURGLARY**



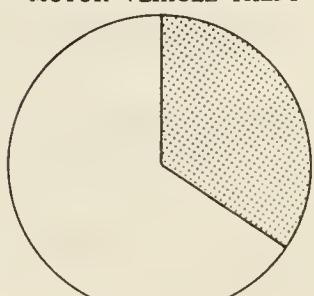
One every hour

**LARCENY/THEFT**



One every 26 min.

**MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT**



One every 4 hrs.

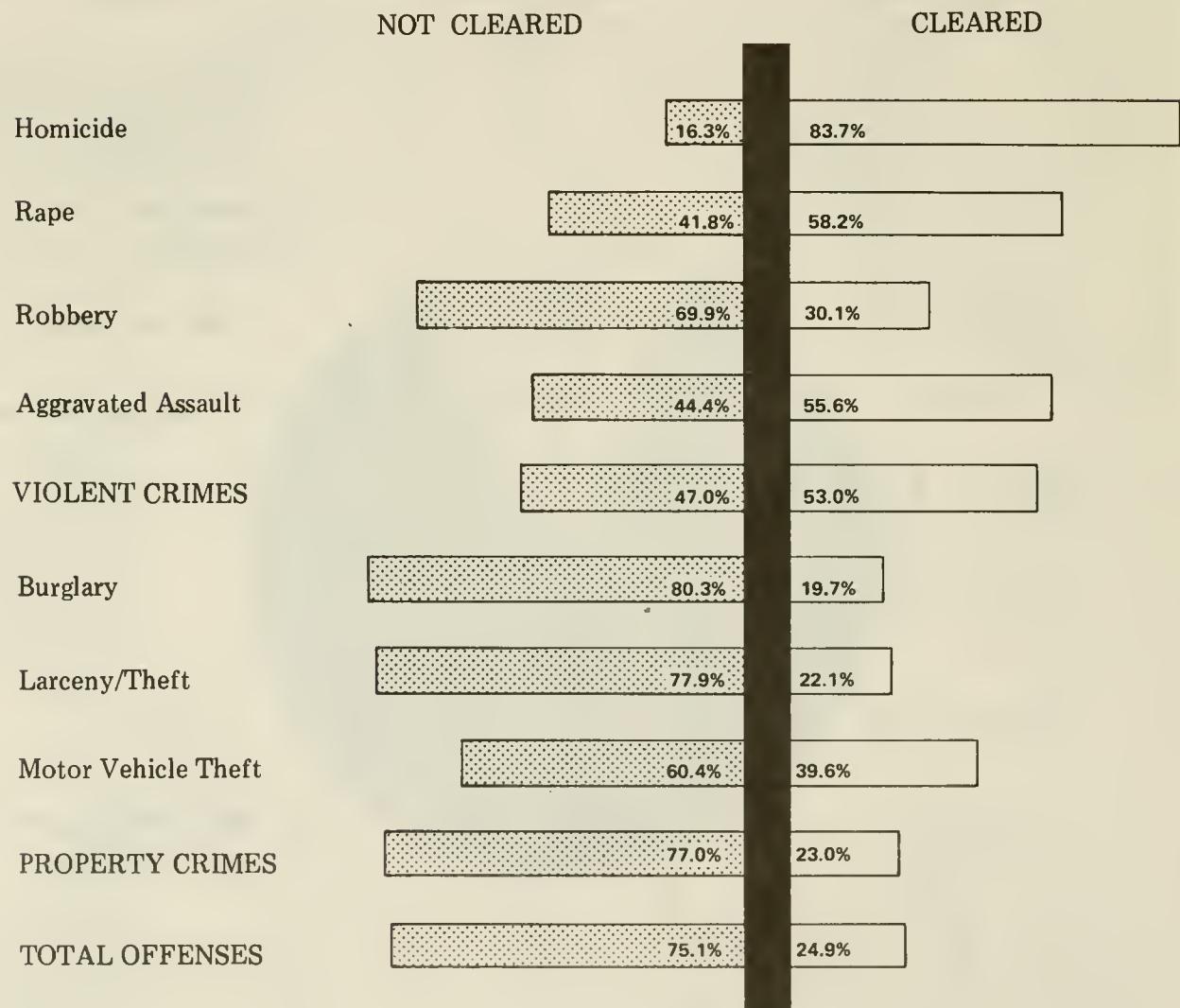
## CLEARANCES

An offense is considered cleared when a law enforcement agency has identified the offender and gathered sufficient evidence and filed a charge. The arrest of one person can clear several crimes or conversely, several persons may be arrested in the process of clearing one crime.

The following illustration shows the percent of offenses cleared by arrest. Note that property crimes — burglary, larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft — have the lowest percent of clearance, while violent crimes or crimes against persons have a higher percentage of clearance.

Illustration 7.

### PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED BY ARREST 1978



## CRIME BY COUNTY

The crime rate for each county in Montana is listed below. Ten counties are above the statewide average of 3,980.4 crimes reported per 100,000 population. These ten counties containing 55.7 percent of the total state population were the scene of 76.9 percent of known index crimes.

As shown on the map on the following page, the ten counties are not one geographical, high-crime area; rather, they correspond to the high population areas of the state. Only two of the ten counties, Mineral and Park, have small populations. In such sparsely populated jurisdictions, any fluctuation in the number of crimes creates a major impact on the crime rate.

Illustration 8.  
CRIME RATE BY COUNTY  
1978 Ranking

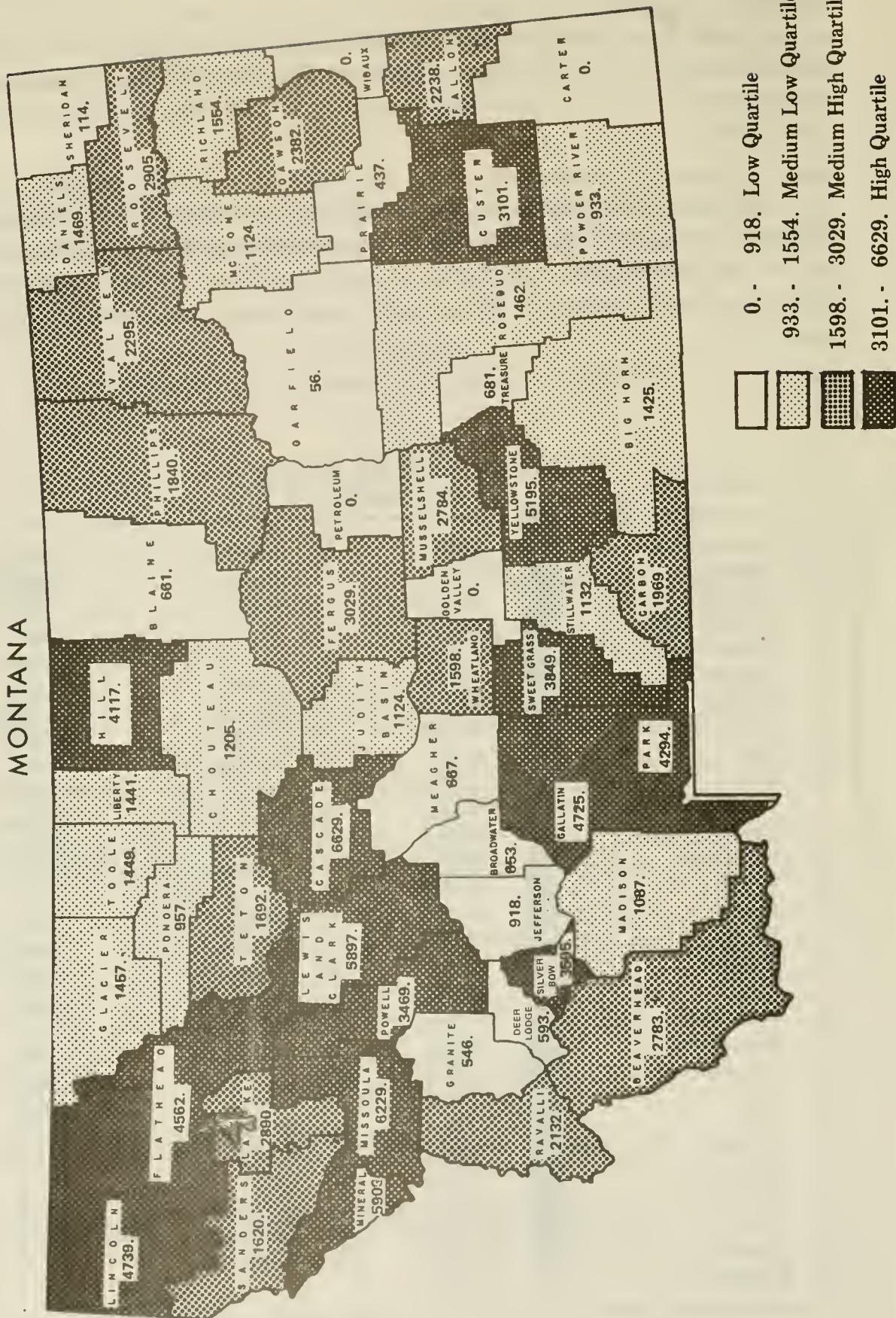
1. Cascade .....	6629.3	29. Richland .....	1553.8
2. Missoula .....	6228.9	30. Daniels .....	1469.2
3. Mineral .....	5902.8	31. Rosebud .....	1461.7
4. Lewis & Clark .....	5897.4	32. Glacier .....	1457.1
5. Yellowstone .....	5194.7	33. Toole .....	1448.8
6. Lincoln .....	4738.8	34. Liberty .....	1440.7
7. Gallatin .....	4724.6	35. Big Horn .....	1424.9
8. Flathead .....	4561.5	36. Chouteau .....	1204.5
9. Park .....	4293.6	37. Stillwater .....	1132.1
10. Hill .....	4117.0	38. Judith Basin .....	1124.4
STATE AVERAGE .....	3980.4	39. McCone .....	1124.4
11. Sweet Grass .....	3848.6	40. Madison .....	1087.1
12. Silver Bow .....	3595.4	41. Pondera .....	957.1
13. Powell .....	3469.4	42. Powder River .....	933.3
14. Custer .....	3101.3	43. Jefferson .....	917.8
15. Fergus .....	3029.2	44. Treasure .....	680.8
16. Roosevelt .....	2904.6	45. Meagher .....	666.7
17. Lake .....	2889.6	46. Blaine .....	660.5
18. Musselshell .....	2783.6	47. Broadwater .....	653.2
19. Beaverhead .....	2782.6	48. Deer Lodge .....	593.3
20. Dawson .....	2381.6	49. Granite .....	546.4
21. Valley .....	2295.3	50. Prairie .....	437.2
22. Fallon .....	2238.1	51. Sheridan .....	113.5
23. Ravalli .....	2131.8	52. Garfield .....	55.7
24. Carbon .....	1968.9	53. Carter .....	-0-
25. Phillips .....	1839.7	54. Golden Valley .....	-0-
26. Teton .....	1692.0	55. Petroleum .....	-0-
27. Sanders .....	1620.0	56. Wibaux .....	-0-
28. Wheatland .....	1598.4		

Illustration 9.

**CRIME RATE PER 100,000 POPULATION - 1978  
OFFENSES KNOWN TO POLICE**

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**MONTANA**



The previous discussion of crime in Montana dealt with the traditional methods of presenting criminal statistics: crime indexes and crime rates. These methods have been criticized for presenting a one-dimensional view of the crime problem; that is, both the crime index and the crime rate deal with the quantitative aspects of criminal behavior. One homicide is counted in the same way as one larceny/theft, with the net effect of equating the impact of the two crimes. The traditional measures of crime also fail to account for diversities in population; that is, areas with large populations show a higher crime index because of the probability of greater numbers of offenders in the population as well as possible victims.

A qualitative measure is needed to reduce the inherent bias in equating fear crimes with property crimes and high population densities. Such a measure was developed by Sellin and Wolfgang<sup>1</sup> and applied to Montana crime data.

The measure is a weighted scale in which the seriousness of a crime is ranked by a range of scores from 2 to 26 as follows:

CRIME	SERIOUS WEIGHING SCORE
Homicide.....	26
Rape.....	11
Robbery.....	5
Aggravated Assault.....	4
Burglary.....	3
Theft.....	2

From this scale of weighted scores, a crime seriousness index can be calculated for a single law enforcement agency, city, county or geographical area. The crime seriousness index is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Crime Seriousness} = \frac{(26 \times \text{No. of Homicides}) + (11 \times \text{No. of Rapes}) + (5 \times \text{No. of Robberies}) + (4 \times \text{No. of Assaults}) + (3 \times \text{No. of Burglaries}) + (2 \times \text{No. of Thefts})}{\text{Total Number of Above Crimes}}$$

This measure is used to relate crime seriousness to the volume of index crimes through the following formula:

$$\text{Crime Level} = (\text{Crime Rate}) \times (\text{Crime Seriousness})$$

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<sup>1</sup> Thorsten Sellin & M.E. Wolfgang. *The Measurement of Delinquency*, (New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1964).

Illustration 10 shows the crime level by county and pinpoints the state average. Note how several counties — particularly Sweet Grass and Hill — assume a higher rank in the crime level scale when compared to the crime rate scale on page 13. This change indicates a large proportion of violent crimes occurring in these counties.

The crime level continues to follow population concentration in the state just as the crime rate does, thus reaffirming that crime is more prevalent with higher populations.

**Illustration 10.**  
**CRIME LEVEL COMPARISON**  
1978

1. Cascade .....	15,910.3	29. Rosebud .....	4,531.3
2. Missoula .....	14,326.5	30. Teton .....	4,060.8
3. Lewis & Clark .....	14,153.8	31. Glacier .....	3,934.2
4. Mineral .....	13,576.4	32. Toole .....	3,766.9
5. Yellowstone .....	12,467.3	33. Richland .....	3,573.7
6. Lincoln .....	11,373.1	34. Jefferson .....	3,395.9
7. Flathead .....	10,947.6	35. Daniels .....	3,232.2
8. Gallatin .....	10,866.6	36. Stillwater .....	3,169.9
9. Sweet Grass .....	9,621.5	37. Liberty .....	3,169.5
STATE AVERAGE ...	9,553.0	38. Judith Basin .....	3,148.3
10. Hill .....	9,469.1	39. Chouteau .....	3,131.7
11. Park .....	9,445.9	40. McCone .....	3,059.9
12. Roosevelt .....	9,294.7	41. Madison .....	2,826.5
13. Silver Bow .....	8,988.5	42. Powder River .....	2,239.9
14. Lake .....	8,668.8	43. Pondera .....	2,201.3
15. Phillips .....	8,646.6	44. Blaine .....	2,179.7
16. Powell .....	8,326.6	45. Granite .....	1,639.2
17. Fergus .....	7,270.1	46. Treasure .....	1,633.9
18. Custer .....	7,133.0	47. Broadwater .....	1,633.0
19. Musselshell .....	6,402.3	48. Deer Lodge .....	1,542.6
20. Beaverhead .....	6,121.7	49. Meagher .....	1,400.1
21. Fallon .....	5,595.3	50. Prairie .....	1,267.9
22. Carbon .....	5,512.9	51. Sheridan .....	340.5
23. Dawson .....	5,477.7	52. Carter .....	-0-
24. Valley .....	5,279.2	53. Garfield .....	-0-
25. Wheatland .....	4,955.0	54. Petroleum .....	-0-
26. Ravalli .....	4,903.1	55. Wibaux .....	-0-
27. Big Horn .....	4,702.2	56. Golden Valley .....	-0-
28. Sanders .....	4,698.3		

Illustration 11a.  
CRIME INDEX REPORT

STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

Population or Estimate: 785,000 Sq. Mi.: 146,869 Population Density: 5.3

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	Number Of Actual Offenses	Crime Index Per 100,000 Population	Offense Occurs Every	Population Density: 5.3	Number Cleared By Arrest	Percent Cleared By Arrest
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter .....	37	4.7	10 DA	31	83.7	
Forcible Rape .....	146	18.6	2 DA	85	58.2	
Robbery .....	259	33.0	1 DA	78	30.1	
Aggravated Assault .....	1,519	193.5	6 HR	846	55.6	
<b>TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS .....</b>	<b>1,961 *</b>	<b>249.8 *</b>	<b>4 HR *</b>	<b>1,040 *</b>		<b>53.0 *</b>
Burglary .....	6,270	798.7	1 HR	1,236	19.7	
Larceny/Theft.....	20,563	2,619.5	26 MIN	4,551	22.1	
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	2,452	312.4	4 HR	973	39.6	
<b>TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY .....</b>	<b>29,285 *</b>	<b>3,730.6 *</b>	<b>18 MIN *</b>	<b>6,760 *</b>		<b>23.0 *</b>
<b>TOTAL SEVEN MAJOR OFFENSES .....</b>	<b>31,246 **</b>	<b>3,980.4 **</b>	<b>17 MIN **</b>	<b>7,800 **</b>		<b>24.9 **</b>
Manslaughter by Negligence .....	14	1.8	26 DA	10	71.4	
Other Assualts - Simple - Not Aggravated .....	1,232	156.9	7 HR	793	64.3	
Arson .....	136	17.3	3 DA	44	32.3	
Forgery and Counterfeiting .....	491	62.5	18 HR	215	43.7	
Fraud .....	1,336	170.2	7 HR	542	40.5	
Embezzlement .....	10	1.3	1 MO	3	30.0	
Stolen Property: Buying, Receiving, Possessing..	191	24.3	2 DA	91	47.6	
Vandalism .....	9,442	1,202.8	56 MIN	1,250	13.2	
Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc.	381	48.5	23 HR	209	54.3	
Prostitution and Commercialized Vice .....	12	1.5	1 MO	7	58.3	
Sex Offenses .....	303	38.6	1 DA	145	47.8	
Narcotic Drug Laws .....	882	112.4	10 HR	744	84.3	
Gambling .....	14	1.8	26 DA	6	42.8	
Offenses Against Family and Children .....	1,003	127.8	9 HR	716	71.3	
<b>TOTAL OTHER OFFENSES .....</b>	<b>15,447 **</b>	<b>1,967.8 **</b>	<b>34 MIN **</b>	<b>4,775 **</b>		<b>30.9 **</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. ....</b>	<b>46,693 ***</b>	<b>5,948.2 ***</b>	<b>11 MIN ***</b>	<b>12,575 ***</b>		<b>26.9 ***</b>

\* Indicates Totals.

Illustration 11b.  
**OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE**  
 STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	Number of Offenses			Cleared By Arrest	Cleared By Arrest Under 18
	Offenses Reported Or Known By Police	Unfounded Offenses	Actual Offenses		
Criminal Homicide . . . . .	53 *	2 *	51 *	41 *	3 *
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter . . . . .	39	2	37	31	2
† Manslaughter By Negligence . . . . .	14	0	14	10	1
Forcible Rape . . . . .	171 *	25 *	146 *	85 *	13 *
Rape By Force . . . . .	131	18	113	68	9
Attempts To Commit Forcible Rape . . . . .	40	7	33	17	4
Robbery . . . . .	281 *	22 *	259 *	78 *	20 *
Firearm . . . . .	145	7	138	43	10
Knife Or Cutting Instrument . . . . .	31	0	31	15	3
Other Dangerous Weapon . . . . .	27	5	22	9	3
Strong Arm - Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc. . . . .	78	10	68	11	4
Assault . . . . .	2,880 *	129 *	2,751 *	1,639 *	195 *
Firearm . . . . .	253	19	234	167	17
Knife Or Cutting Instrument . . . . .	206	10	196	119	14
Other Dangerous Weapon . . . . .	144	4	140	83	10
Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc. -- Aggravated Injury . . . . .	980	31	949	477	60
† Other Assaults - Simple - Not Aggravated. . . . .	1,297	65	1,232	793	94
TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS . . . . .	3,385 **	178 **	3,207 **	1,843 **	231 **
Burglary . . . . .	6,556 *	286 *	6,270 *	1,236 *	537 *
Forcible Entry . . . . .	4,199	146	4,053	899	404
Unlawful Entry - No Force . . . . .	1,806	94	1,712	277	108
Attempted Forcible Entry . . . . .	551	46	505	60	25
Larceny/Theft . . . . .	21,074 *	511 *	20,563 *	4,551 *	1,857 *
Motor Vehicle Theft . . . . .	2,792 *	340 *	2,452 *	973 *	291 *
Autos . . . . .	1,699	249	1,450	602	193
Trucks and Buses . . . . .	674	60	614	245	68
Other Vehicles . . . . .	419	31	388	126	30
TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY . . . . .	30,422 **	1,137 **	29,285 **	6,760 **	2,685 **
TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS & PROPERTY . . . . .	33,807 ***	1,315 ***	32,492 ***	8,603 ***	2,916 ***

†Not included in the UCR 7 major offenses. \* indicates totals.

Illustration 11b. (Con't.)  
**OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE**  
**STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978**

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	Offenses Reported Or Known By Police	Unfounded Offenses	Actual Offenses	Number of Offenses		
				Cleared By Arrest	Cleared By Arrest	Arrest Under 18
Arson .....	147 *	11 *	136 *	44 *	44 *	20 *
Forgery and Counterfeiting .....	503 *	12 *	491 *	215 *	215 *	50 *
Fraud .....	1,355 *	19 *	1,336 *	542 *	542 *	35 *
Embezzlement .....	11 *	1 *	10 *	3 *	3 *	0 *
Stolen Property: Buying, Receiving, Possessing .....	195 *	4 *	191 *	91 *	91 *	23 *
Vandalism .....	9,603 *	161 *	9,442 *	1,250 *	1,250 *	597 *
Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc. ....	411 *	30 *	381 *	209 *	209 *	25 *
Prostitution and Commercialized Vice .....	12 *	0 *	12 *	7 *	7 *	0 *
Sex Offenses .....	313 *	10 *	303 *	145 *	145 *	20 *
Narcotic Drug Laws .....	927 *	45 *	882 *	744 *	744 *	204 *
Opiates .....	17	0	17	16	16	1
Marijuana .....	705	29	676	571	571	181
Dangerous Drugs .....	154	10	144	127	127	12
Other .....	51	6	45	30	30	10
Gambling .....	15 *	1 *	14 *	6 *	6 *	1 *
Offenses Against Family and Children .....	1,130 *	127 *	1,003 *	716 *	716 *	169 *
TOTAL OTHER OFFENSES .....	14,622 ***	421 ***	14,201 ***	3,972 ***	3,972 ***	1,144 ***
GRAND TOTAL	48,429 ****	1,736 ****	46,693 ****	12,575 ****	12,575 ****	4,060 ****

\*Indicates totals.

## OFFENSE SUMMARY

- \* For the third year in a row, the index for seven major crimes has decreased. Offenses against property decreased by 2.4 percent while offenses against persons increased by 2.7 percent.
- \* Crimes against property accounted for 93.7 percent of all reported offenses.
- \* Crimes against persons accounted for 5.9 percent of all reported offenses.
- \* An index crime occurs every 17 minutes with a property crime occurring every 18 minutes. Violent crime occurs every 4 hours.
- \* From 1970 through 1978, the number of crimes increased 55.8 percent while the estimated population increased only 13.1 percent.
- \* Crime rates relate the incidence of crime to population. The crime rate can be considered a victim risk rate because it demonstrates the risk of becoming a crime victim. Thus, of every 100 Montanans, 4 were victims of an index crime and 5.9 were victims of an index crime and serious crime combined.
- \* Of the 31,246 major offenses known, only one of every four was cleared, either by arrest or exceptional means.

## CRIME PROJECTION

### STATISTICAL METHOD

It is estimated that Montana's population will reach 816,000 by 1980, a 17.5 percent increase over 1970. However, there appears to be little correlation between population growth and crime. The crime rate is increasing much faster than population, as illustrated by the graph on page 9.

Two methods are used in developing the crime projection. The first, a straight-line method, uses the average yearly increase of 7.1 percent for the eight-year period from 1970 to 1978. This increment, accumulated each year, indicates actual crimes will reach 39,189 in 1980. This figure divided by the 1980 population estimate indicates a crime rate of 4,802.6 per 100,000.

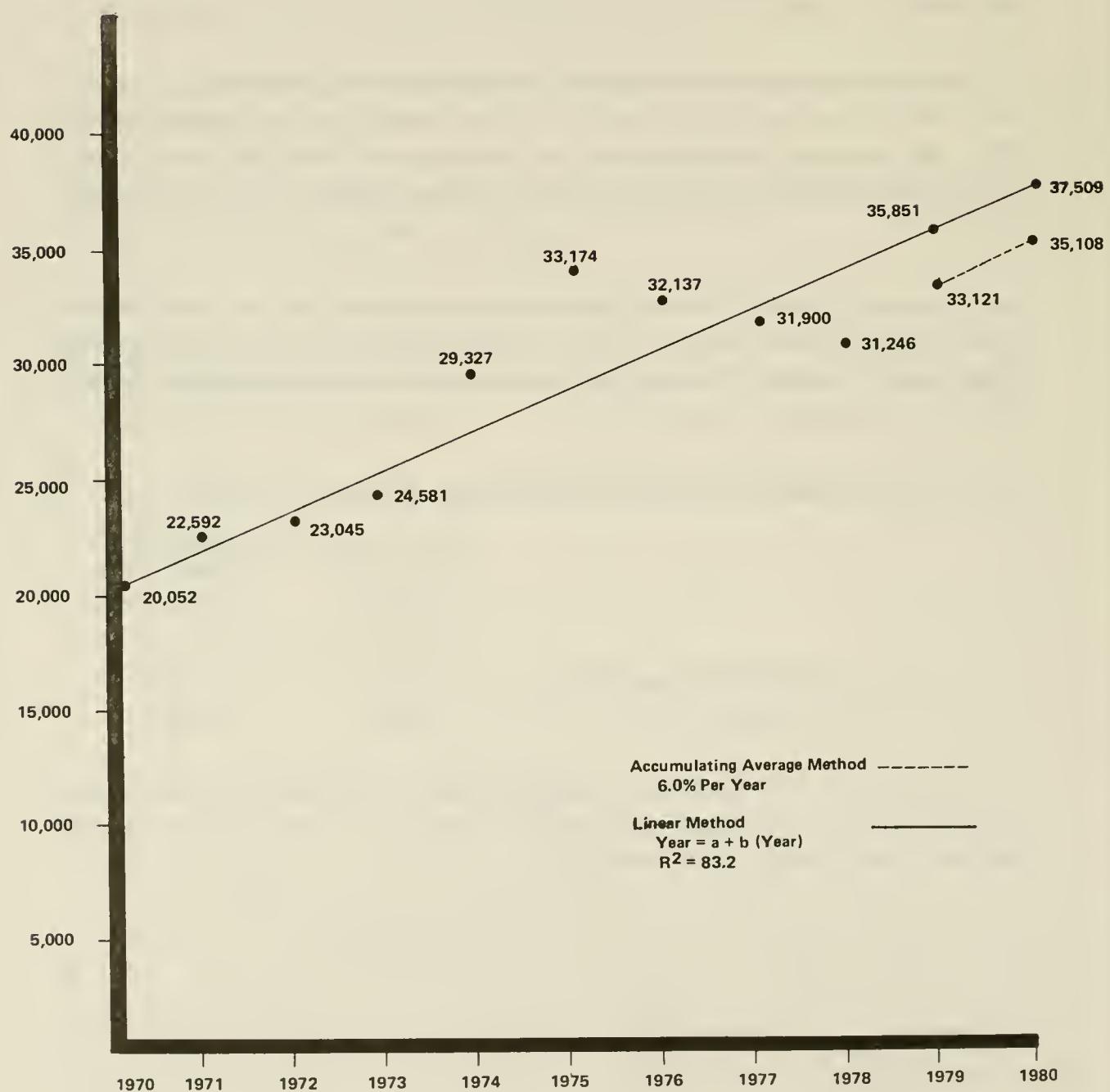
The second projection method, linear least squares regression, plots on a graph the number of actual crimes for the eight-year period. Using the regression formula,  $y = a + bx$ , a line is then projected to 1980. By this method, the number of crimes is projected to be 39,930 in 1980, with a crime rate of 4,893.4 per 100,000.

A summary of the two projection methods is shown as follows:

	Actual Crimes in 1980	Crime Rate Per 100,000 in 1980
1. Accumulating Average Method .....	39,189	4,802.6
2. Linear Regression Method .....	39,930	4,893.4

It is important to remember that the projections are not point estimates but rather trend estimates. Thus, it is predictable that Montana can anticipate a 1980 crime rate between 4,803 and 4,893 if present trends continue.

Illustration 12.  
MONTANA PROJECTED ACTUAL CRIMES  
1970 - 1980



## ARRESTS

### STATISTICAL METHOD

The arrests made by each law enforcement agency are recorded on arrest registers and forwarded monthly to the Criminal Justice Data Center. An individual may be arrested several times over the course of a year for similar or different violations. Each separate arrest is counted. Therefore, the arrest data cannot be used as measure of the number of individuals processed by law enforcement or by component agencies such as courts or jails. Furthermore, in the event an individual is arrested for several offenses, under the hierarchy rule, only the most serious charge is scored. Conversely, if two or more persons are arrested for the same offense, each arrest is counted. Consequently, there is no relationship between offenses reported and arrests reported. The former refers to events, that may involve more than one person; the latter refers to the arrest process that may involve more than one offense.

Arrest practices, policies and enforcement procedures vary among departments. The value of police arrests for certain victimless crimes are particularly influenced by such variables. Arrests for serious crime follow a more stable pattern.

Within the limitations of the data, the arrest information can be used as an indication of law enforcement activity and workload, but is more useful in defining the characteristics of the risk populations: that is, those individuals most likely to be arrested for particular offenses. Arrest data combined with population characteristics can also be used to project future arrest and offense trends.

Arrests and offenses can be located by geographic area. Arrests, however, can be further located within specific population categories. The following analysis describes age, race and sex of offenders and month, day and time of arrest and type of offense.

### FELONY ARRESTS

Felony crimes are those punishable by more than a one-year prison sentence. The number of arrests for felony, or serious crime, decreased in 1978.

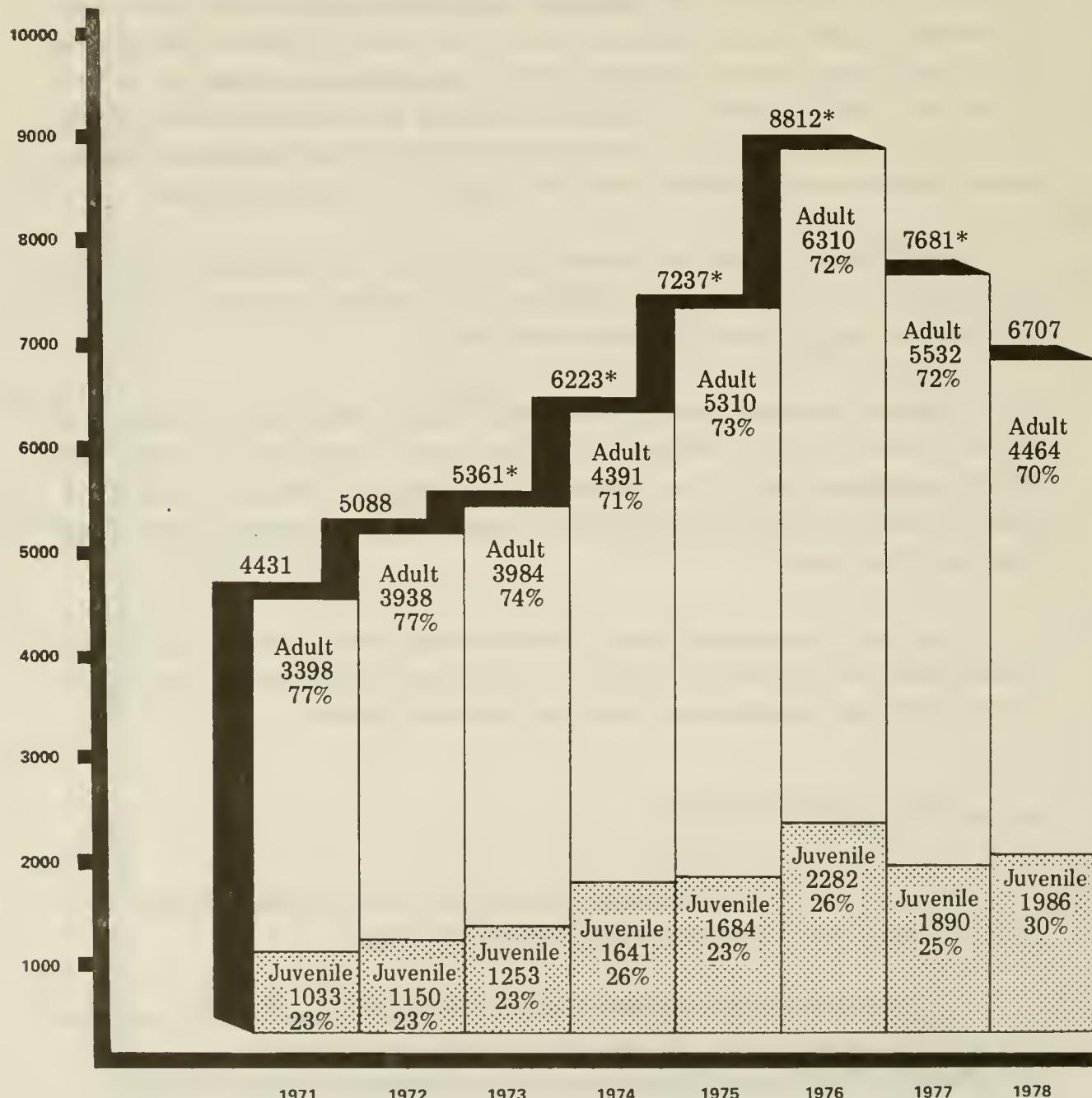
The bar graph on the following page shows the total number of arrests in each year from 1971 to 1978. It also shows the proportion of adults and juveniles arrested.

Although the number of arrests has decreased this year, the proportion of adult to juvenile offenders has remained fairly constant at 23-30 percent.

## EIGHT-YEAR FELONY ARREST PROFILE

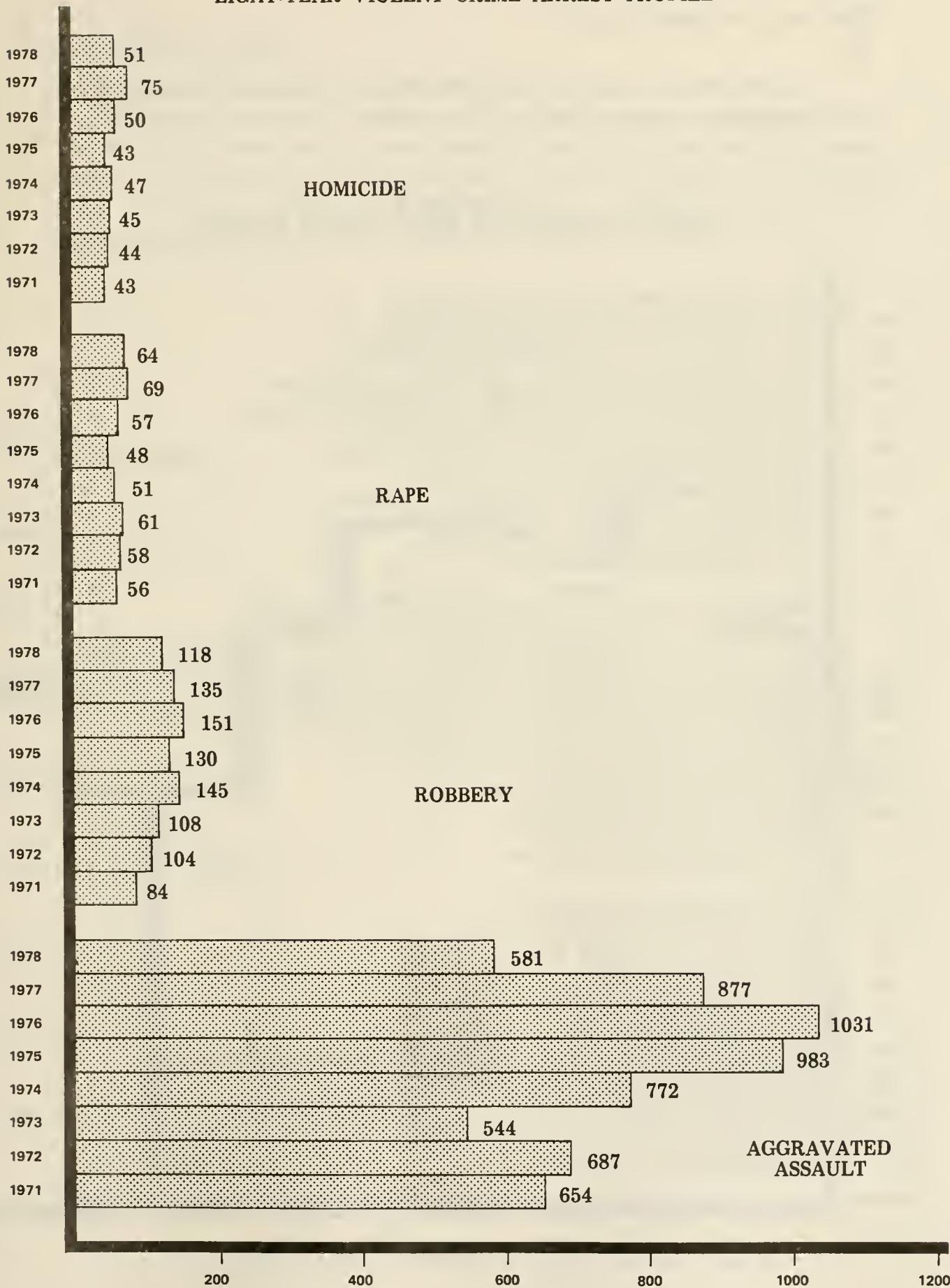
Arrest categories for violent crimes show decreases in homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault. The largest change was recorded in aggravated assaults, for which about 300 fewer arrests were made.

Illustration 13.  
FELONY ARRESTS



\*Unknown Age = 3% - 1973, 3% - 1974, 4% - 1975, 2% - 1976, 3% - 1977.

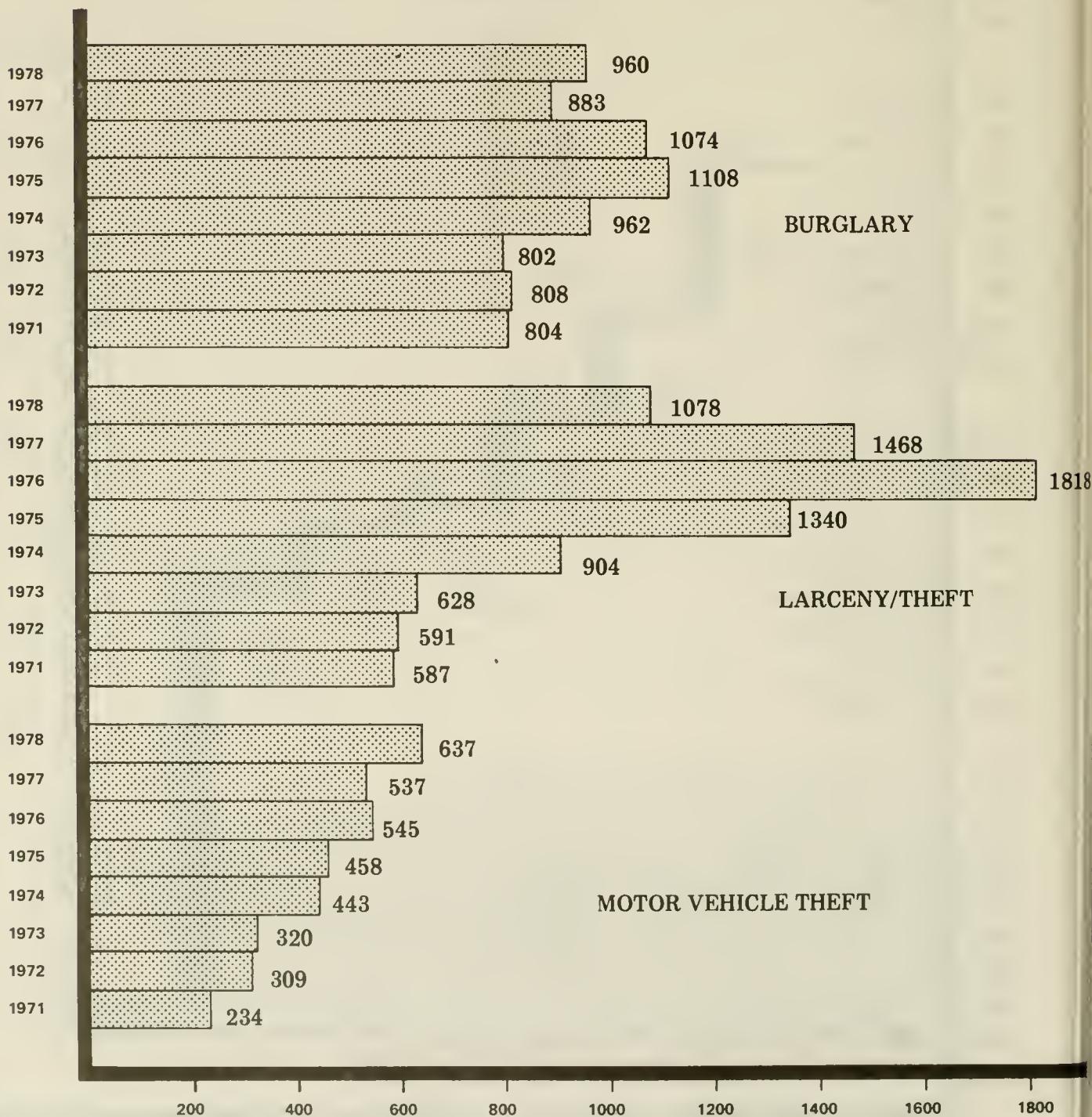
**Illustration 14.**  
**EIGHT-YEAR VIOLENT CRIME ARREST PROFILE**



## EIGHT-YEAR PROPERTY ARRESTS

The arrest trend for property crimes shows increases in burglary and motor vehicle theft while larceny/theft accounted for about 400 fewer arrests.

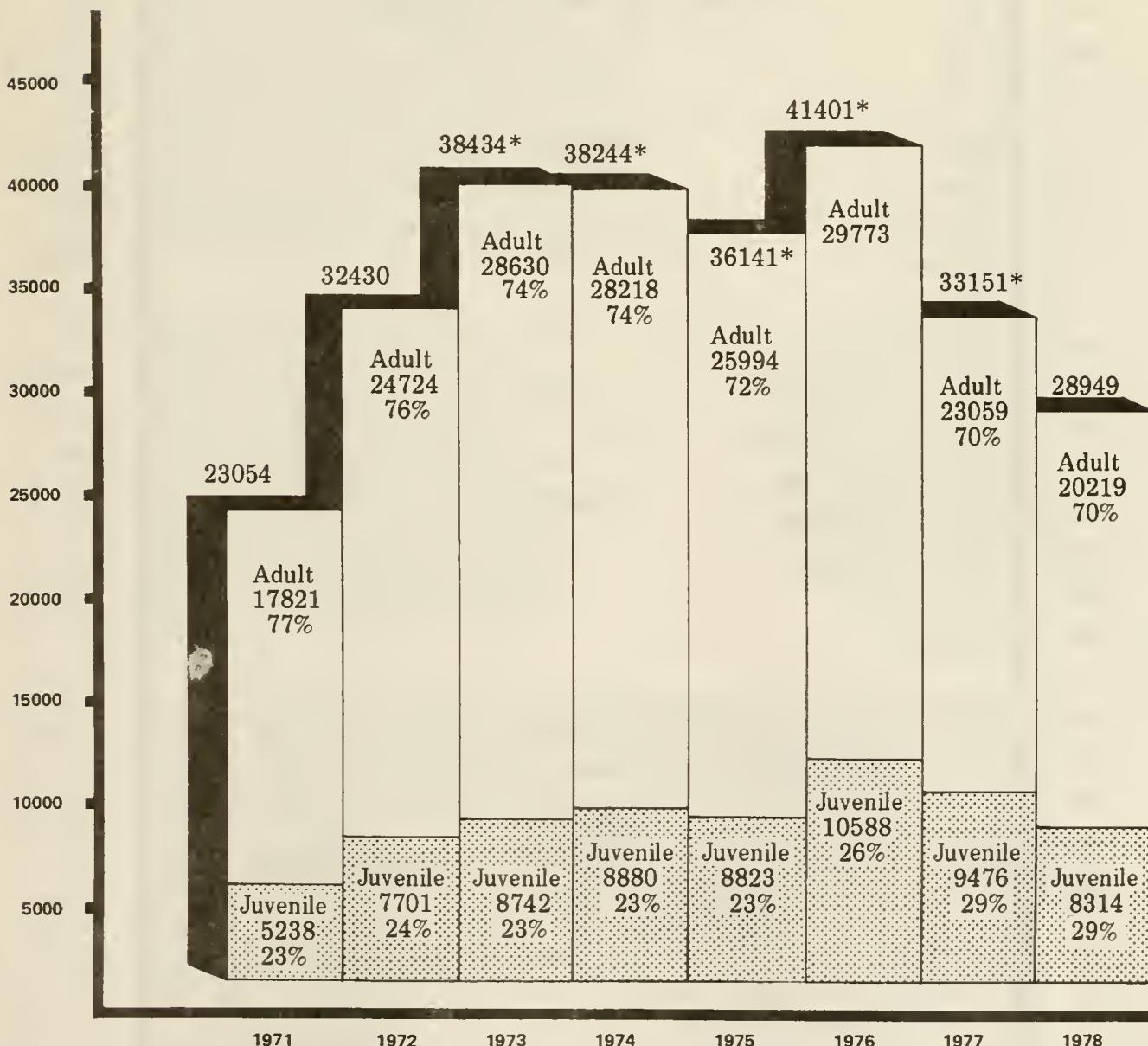
**Illustration 15.  
EIGHT-YEAR PROPERTY CRIME ARREST PROFILE**



## MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS

A misdemeanor is a crime punishable by a fine or less than a one-year prison term. The eight-year totals for misdemeanor arrests are shown in the bar graph below. The 28,949 arrests recorded in 1978 represent another decrease over the record year of 1976. The decrease was due to a reduction of arrests in all misdemeanor categories — particularly in the alcohol-related, juvenile delinquency and other misdemeanor categories.

Illustration 16.  
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS

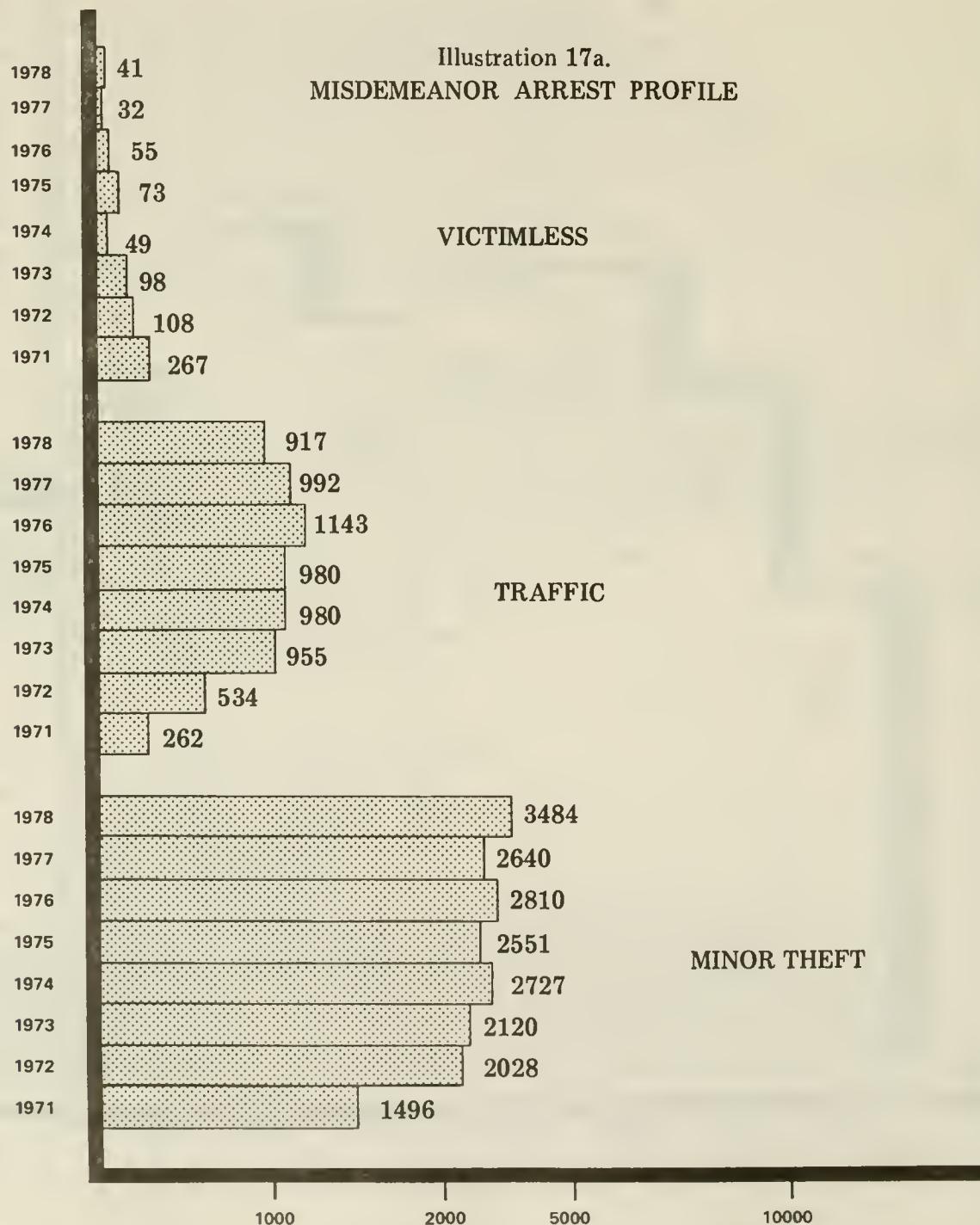


\*Unknown Age = 3% - 1973, 3% - 1974, 5% - 1975, 3% - 1976, 2% - 1977, 1% - 1978.

## MISDEMEANOR ARREST PROFILE

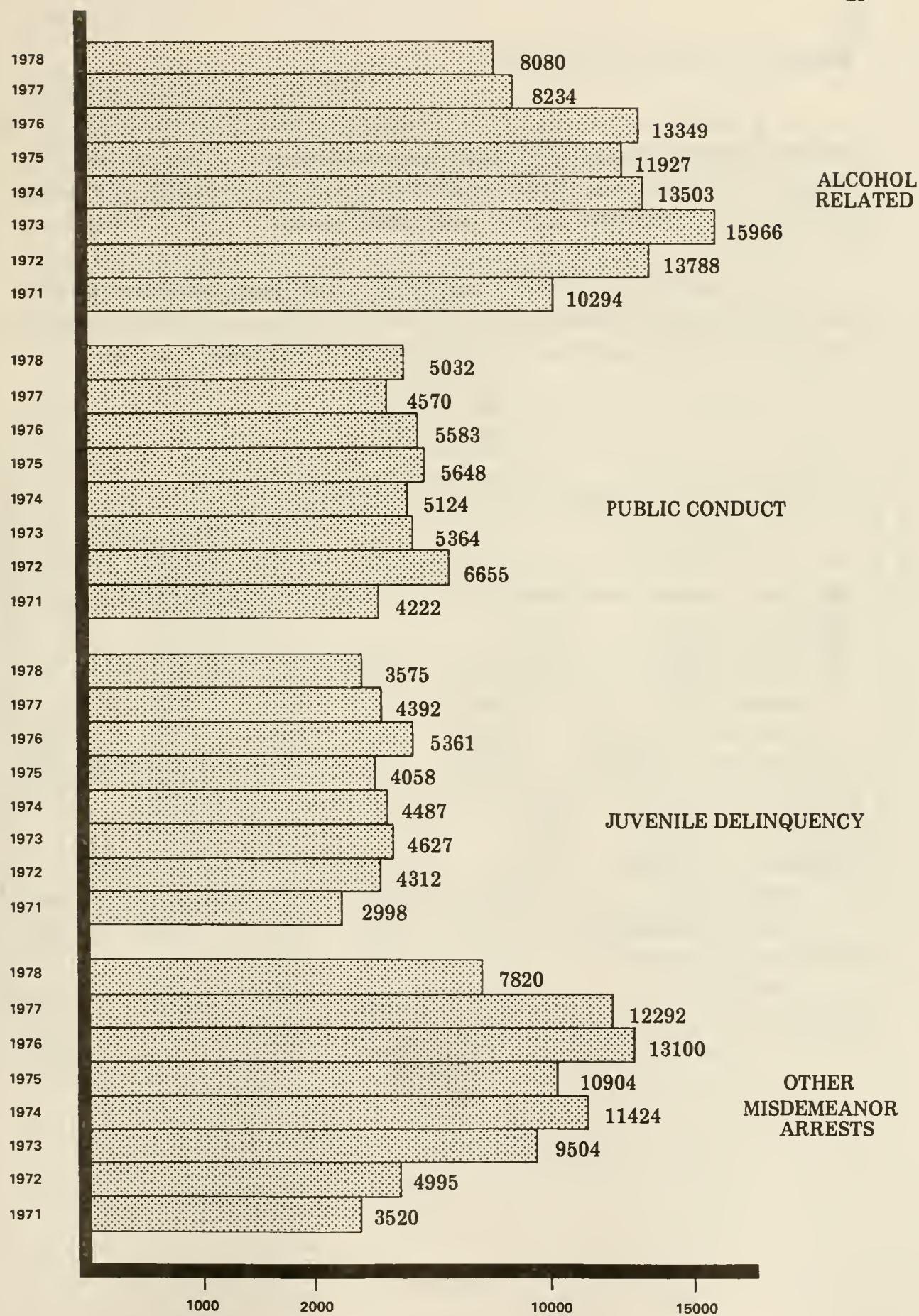
Misdemeanor arrests for alcohol and alcohol-related offenses have been following a decrease since the peak year of 1973. This is due to the new Montana statute in 1974 which decriminalized public drunkenness.

The significant decreases in alcohol-related, unspecified misdemeanors and juvenile delinquency are followed by increases in arrests for minor theft, victimless crimes and disorderly conduct.



**Illustration 17b.**  
**MISDEMEANOR ARREST PROFILE**

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## ARRESTS BY RACE OF OFFENDER

As in previous years, the racial profile of arrested offenders remained fairly stable. In 1978, 82 percent of those arrested for felony offenses were White and 15 percent were Native American. In previous years, the percentages have ranged within five percentage points for each of the two races, which comprise the state's racial majority.

The misdemeanor arrest pattern is similar although the percentage breakdown is different. In 1978, a 3 percent change is noted over 1977 in the percentages of Whites and Native Americans — Whites decreased 3 percent while Native Americans increased 3 percent.

Illustration 19.

### ARRESTS BY RACE

Type of Arrest	Total	White	Negro	Native American	Other
<b>FELONY ARRESTS</b>					
Against Persons .....	814	603	6	189	16
Against Property .....	2,675	2,200	23	395	57
Other Felonies .....	3,218	2,664	27	413	114
<b>TOTAL FELONY ARRESTS .....</b>	<b>6,707</b>	<b>5,467</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>187</b>
Percent of Total .....		82	.01	15	
<b>MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS</b>					
Misdemeanors .....	25,374	16,447	133	8,410	384
Delinquent Tendencies .....	3,575	2,715	14	760	86
<b>TOTAL MISDEMEANOR</b>					
<b>ARRESTS</b>	<b>28,949</b>	<b>19,162</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>9,120</b>	<b>470</b>
Percent of Total .....		66	.01	32	

## ARRESTS BY SEX OF OFFENDER

The percentage of male and female offenders arrested has varied less than two percent in each of the eight years of data collection. Women have been arrested for 10 to 14 percent of all felonies and 15 to 21 percent of all misdemeanors. Thus, women have accounted for approximately one in six felony arrests and one in five misdemeanor arrests over the years. In 1978, only a slight decrease was noted in the number of female offenders arrested.

**Illustration 20.**  
**ARRESTS BY SEX**

Type of Arrest	Total	Male	Female
<b>FELONY ARRESTS</b>			
Against Persons .....	814	748	66
Against Property .....	2,675	2,396	279
Other Felonies .....	3,218	2,634	584
<b>TOTAL FELONY ARRESTS .....</b>	<b>6,707</b>	<b>5,778</b>	<b>929</b>
Percent of Total .....		86	14
<b>MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS</b>			
Misdemeanors .....	25,374	20,849	4,525
Delinquent Tendencies .....	3,575	2,194	1,381
<b>TOTAL MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS .....</b>	<b>28,949</b>	<b>23,043</b>	<b>5,906</b>
Percent of Total .....		80	20

ILLUSTRATION 21a.  
STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS BY OFFENSE & AGE  
JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

OFFENSE	JUVENILES			ADULTS						UNKNOWN	GRAND TOTAL			
	Total	1-11	12-15	16-17	Total	18-19	20-25	26-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-up		
Homicide . . . . .	1	0	0	1	50	4	17	8	6	9	5	1	0	51
Forcible Rape . . . . .	13	2	5	6	51	10	22	5	6	5	2	1	0	64
Robbery . . . . .	28	1	11	16	90	27	33	22	7	0	1	0	0	118
Aggravated Assault.	79	0	31	48	497	78	144	75	116	58	18	8	5	581
Total Against Person . . .	121	3	47	71	688	119	216	110	135	72	26	10	5	814
Burglary . . . . .	499	22	226	251	458	187	178	31	34	16	7	5	3	960
Grand Theft . . . . .	303	5	123	175	772	222	271	79	128	44	23	5	3	1078
Auto Theft . . . . .	354	2	191	161	280	96	98	25	36	16	9	0	3	637
Total Against Property . . .	1156	29	540	587	1510	505	547	135	198	76	39	10	9	2675
Checks Cards Forgery	64	1	26	37	710	76	246	123	146	83	23	13	19	793
Sex. . . . .	9	0	5	4	54	5	16	8	9	4	7	5	0	63
Drugs . . . . .	285	1	89	195	677	201	335	79	50	8	3	1	1	963
Weapons . . . . .	11	0	4	7	108	20	26	15	33	13	1	0	0	119
Arson . . . . .	27	14	6	7	27	4	12	2	5	0	3	1	0	54
Federal . . . . .	5	0	0	5	130	47	52	15	11	4	1	0	5	140
All Others . . . . .	308	42	117	149	760	147	311	101	109	62	25	5	18	1086
Total Other Felonies. . . . .	709	58	247	404	2466	500	998	343	363	174	63	25	43	3218
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>1986</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>1062</b>	<b>4664</b>	<b>1124</b>	<b>1761</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>6707</b>
Percent of Grand Total . . .	.30	.05	.42	.53	.70	.24	.38	.13	.15	.07	.03	.01	.01	

**ILLUSTRATION 21b.**  
**STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS BY OFFENSE, RACE & SEX**  
**JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978**

OFFENSE	Total	RACE			Indian	Other	Total	SEX	
		White	Negro	Mexican				Male	Female
Homicide . . . . .	51	39	0	1	11	0	51	45	6
Forcible Rape . . . . .	64	46	1	1	14	2	64	64	0
Robbery . . . . .	118	99	0	1	18	0	118	108	10
Aggravated Assault . . . . .	581	419	5	10	146	1	581	531	50
Total Against Person . . . . .	814	603	6	13	189	3	814	748	66
Burglary . . . . .	960	789	8	18	145	0	960	895	65
Grand Theft . . . . .	1078	894	9	24	146	5	1078	954	124
Auto Theft . . . . .	637	517	6	10	104	0	637	547	90
Total Against Property . . . . .	2675	2200	23	52	395	5	2675	2396	279
Checks Cards Forgery . . . . .	793	713	7	10	62	1	793	507	286
Sex . . . . .	63	52	0	0	11	0	63	57	6
Drugs . . . . .	963	849	8	10	90	6	963	830	133
Weapons . . . . .	119	84	1	12	22	0	119	113	6
Arson . . . . .	54	47	2	1	4	0	54	47	7
Federal . . . . .	140	76	0	52	12	0	140	139	1
All Others . . . . .	1086	843	9	19	212	3	1086	941	145
Total Other Felonies . . . . .	3218	2664	27	104	413	10	3218	2634	584
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>6707</b>	<b>5467</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6707</b>	<b>5778</b>	<b>929</b>
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.82	.01	.03	.15	.00		.86	.14	

Illustration 21c.  
STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS BY OFFENSE & MONTH  
JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

OFFENSE	Total	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Homicide . . . . .	51	0	9	7	5	3	8	5	4	0	1	8	1
Forcible Rape . . . . .	64	8	5	1	9	6	5	4	8	9	3	2	4
Robbery . . . . .	118	8	4	15	10	17	13	7	5	1	11	13	14
Aggravated Assault . . . . .	581	41	54	42	46	58	66	55	65	41	42	38	33
Total Against Person . . . . .	814	57	72	65	70	84	92	71	82	51	57	61	52
Burglary . . . . .	960	107	68	87	68	98	82	68	79	88	85	63	67
Grand Theft . . . . .	1078	87	71	105	137	104	117	84	82	75	69	71	76
Auto Theft . . . . .	637	41	57	46	78	54	50	58	55	79	45	43	31
Total Against Property . . . . .	2675	235	196	238	283	256	249	210	216	242	199	177	174
Checks Cards Forgery . . . . .	793	56	81	100	62	69	53	54	85	60	59	48	66
Sex . . . . .	63	6	5	6	8	10	6	5	4	5	1	4	3
Drugs . . . . .	963	89	92	113	101	94	76	85	76	83	54	49	51
Weapons . . . . .	119	14	8	12	22	11	7	10	6	3	6	13	7
Arson . . . . .	54	4	1	3	10	1	5	6	5	5	6	6	2
Federal . . . . .	140	17	7	21	4	6	19	19	24	4	6	9	4
All Others . . . . .	1086	97	113	119	99	114	91	93	87	77	82	59	55
Total Other Felonies . . . . .	3218	283	207	374	306	305	257	272	287	237	214	188	188
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>6707</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>414</b>
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.09	.09	.10	.10	.10	.09	.08	.09	.08	.09	.08	.07	.06

**STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS BY OFFENSE, DAY & TIME OF CRIME**  
**JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978**

Offense	Total	DAY						HOUR						UNKNOWN
		Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thru.	Fri.	Sat.	0-4AM	4-8AM	8-12AM	12-4PM	4-8PM	
Homicide . . . . .	51	3	2	4	5	3	4	5	6	0	1	1	4	2
Forcible Rape . . . . .	64	4	2	4	6	9	8	10	4	2	2	2	4	25
Robbery . . . . .	118	3	19	4	17	28	6	7	12	1	2	2	6	21
Aggravated Assault . . . . .	581	63	35	49	38	30	51	69	63	17	8	24	35	34
<b>Total Against Person . . . . .</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>71</b>
Burglary. . . . .	960	70	102	84	108	107	105	74	97	24	21	31	38	62
Grand Theft . . . . .	1078	85	95	95	113	93	103	99	94	25	51	55	52	82
Auto Theft . . . . .	637	38	63	68	61	65	55	59	66	15	22	30	35	40
<b>Total Against Property . . . . .</b>	<b>2675</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>184</b>
Checks Cards Forgery . . . . .	793	31	60	42	50	54	48	25	0	1	17	52	26	10
Sex . . . . .	63	4	4	7	3	2	0	4	1	1	2	1	1	483
Drugs . . . . .	963	88	68	103	92	120	131	100	107	11	61	56	87	39
Weapons . . . . .	119	15	7	13	13	10	15	16	30	1	8	2	10	261
Arson . . . . .	54	0	10	4	5	4	6	4	1	1	7	1	5	30
Federal . . . . .	140	4	6	7	11	8	5	4	3	2	1	10	9	21
All Others . . . . .	1086	77	65	70	60	91	73	94	62	21	44	49	70	74
<b>Total Other Felonies . . . . .</b>	<b>3218</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>276</b>
<b>-GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>6707</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>531</b>
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.07	.08	.08	.09	.09	.09	.09	.08	.08	.02	.04	.05	.06	.08
														.41

**STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS BY OFFENSE & AGE**  
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OFFENSE	JUVENILES						ADULTS						UNKNOWN	GRAND TOTAL
	Total	1-11	12-15	16-17	Total	18-19	20-25	26-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+Up		
Assault . . . . .	142	3	82	57	606	85	179	82	153	73	22	12	24	772
Riotous Conduct . .	352	14	109	229	2496	384	734	308	448	325	181	116	61	2909
Distrubing the Peace	133	6	43	84	1050	197	303	166	209	126	34	15	12	1195
Weapons . . . . .	32	5	21	6	38	6	13	3	10	5	1	0	0	70
Theft . . . . .	1871	250	957	664	1597	434	515	146	247	121	68	66	16	3484
Drunk . . . . .	144	2	71	71	2724	187	497	269	590	624	357	200	45	2913
Drunk Driving . . .	90	1	13	76	2901	298	726	332	623	455	318	149	12	3003
Possession of Alcohol	1212	8	338	866	939	264	332	101	141	65	25	11	13	2164
Cruelty to Animals .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trespassing . . . . .	175	14	76	85	342	83	116	36	50	30	18	9	8	525
Vagrancy . . . . .	1	0	0	1	25	0	1	8	7	6	2	0	0	26
Prostitution . . . . .	1	0	0	1	9	0	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	10
Indecent Exposure .	8	0	3	5	78	15	31	12	6	5	6	3	0	86
Gambling . . . . .	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	5	5
Traffic-Hit & Run .	38	0	6	32	141	26	49	22	24	15	2	3	4	183
Traffic-Reckless . .	100	0	24	76	623	187	258	60	73	27	13	5	11	734
Warrant Arrest . . .	66	2	6	58	935	221	348	124	135	73	26	8	12	1013
Other Misdemeanors	787	62	240	485	5302	1149	1884	671	875	391	201	131	193	6282
Sub-Total Misdemeanors .	5152	367	1989	2796	19811	3536	5992	2336	3592	2342	1282	731	411	25374
Immoral Conduct . . .	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Truant . . . . .	65	9	53	3	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	67
Curfew . . . . .	825	9	306	510	21	12	3	1	3	1	0	1	1	847
Incorrigible . . . . .	160	4	70	86	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	161
Runaway-Local . . .	853	18	534	301	6	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	859
Runaway-Out-of-State	420	3	217	200	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	425
Other Delinquency .	837	44	373	420	375	87	150	43	68	16	7	4	2	1214
Total Delinquent Tendencies . . . . .	3162	87	1555	1520	408	105	153	45	74	18	7	6	5	3575
GRAND TOTAL . . . . .	8314	454	3544	4316	20219	3641	6145	2381	3666	2360	1289	737	416	20949
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.29	.05	.43	.52	.70	.18	.30	.12	.18	.12	.06	.04	.01	

STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS BY OFFENSE, RACE & SEX  
JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

OFFENSE	Total	RACE				Total	SEX	
		White	Negro	Mexican	Indian		Male	Female
Assault . . . . .	772	484	12	19	257	0	772	95
Riotous Conduct . . . . .	2909	1406	14	23	1463	3	2909	382
Disturbing the Peace . . . . .	1195	791	23	64	317	0	1195	184
Weapons . . . . .	70	60	3	1	6	0	70	7
Theft . . . . .	3484	2824	23	71	557	9	3484	1151
Drunk . . . . .	2913	79	0	1	2833	0	2913	2333
Drunk Driving . . . . .	3003	2324	7	61	606	5	3003	520
Possession of Alcohol . . . . .	2164	1648	5	9	501	1	2164	302
Cruelty to Animals . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	510
Trespassing . . . . .	525	384	4	0	22	0	525	40
Vagrancy . . . . .	26	4	0	0	2	1	26	1
Prostitution . . . . .	10	6	1	0	19	0	10	9
Indecent Exposure . . . . .	86	66	0	1	0	0	86	2
Gambling . . . . .	5	5	0	0	0	0	5	1
Traffic - Hit & Run . . . . .	183	131	2	11	38	1	183	25
Traffic - Reckless . . . . .	734	509	6	11	207	1	734	55
Warrant Arrest.. . . . .	1013	831	8	16	158	0	1013	143
Other Misdemeanors . . . . .	6282	4895	22	49	1298	18	6282	1098
Sub-Total Misdemeanors . . . . .	<u>25374</u>	<u>16447</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>345</u>	<u>8410</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>25374</u>	<u>4525</u>
Immoral Conduct . . . . .	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	1
Truant . . . . .	67	44	0	0	23	0	67	22
Curfew . . . . .	847	610	7	14	213	3	847	258
Incorrigible . . . . .	161	151	0	4	6	0	161	49
Runaway - Local . . . . .	859	699	3	8	147	2	859	562
Runaway - Out-of-State . . . . .	425	371	2	8	44	0	425	224
Other Delinquency . . . . .	1214	838	2	47	327	0	1214	265
Total Delinquent Tendencies . . . . .	<u>3575</u>	<u>2715</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>760</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3575</u>	<u>1381</u>
GRAND TOTAL . . . . .	28949	19162	147	426	9170	44	28949	5906
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.66	.01	.01	.32	.00		.80	.20

STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS BY OFFENSE & MONTH  
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Illustration 22c.

Offense	Total	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Assault . . . . .	772	72	56	76	77	78	60	64	61	44	63	58	63
Riotous Conduct . . . . .	2909	178	196	235	252	257	258	327	258	251	256	200	241
Disturbing the Peace . . . . .	1195	144	100	155	145	122	129	83	90	66	57	33	71
Weapons . . . . .	70	16	6	2	6	9	11	6	1	2	4	5	2
Theft . . . . .	3484	234	257	349	358	373	303	214	289	236	285	247	339
Drunk . . . . .	2913	387	320	456	374	328	282	281	83	65	109	74	154
Drunk Driving . . . . .	3003	198	224	340	336	273	242	282	241	233	266	181	187
Possession of Alcohol . . . . .	2164	94	120	279	287	231	248	175	177	177	156	119	101
Cruelty to Animals . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trespassing . . . . .	525	30	56	44	51	60	56	37	43	43	35	33	37
Vagrancy . . . . .	26	4	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	17
Prostitution . . . . .	10	1	0	0	6	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
Indecent Exposure . . . . .	86	5	3	4	8	14	14	13	5	7	7	2	4
Gambling . . . . .	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3
Traffic - Hit & Run . . . . .	183	20	21	9	22	19	20	12	10	9	17	10	14
Traffic - Reckless . . . . .	734	40	24	57	86	80	88	82	78	82	61	24	32
Warrant Arrest . . . . .	1013	107	75	86	65	119	143	79	65	79	73	63	59
Other Misdemeanors . . . . .	6282	649	535	752	730	579	498	495	468	445	410	341	380
Sub-Total Misdemeanors . . . . .	25374	2179	1993	2844	2803	2545	2353	2151	1871	1740	1801	1390	1704
Immoral Conduct . . . . .	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Truant . . . . .	67	13	8	14	11	4	1	0	0	11	4	1	0
Curfew . . . . .	847	49	63	134	97	89	74	62	97	47	44	43	48
Incorrigible . . . . .	161	24	12	16	20	18	6	18	22	5	4	14	2
Runaway - Local . . . . .	859	90	87	90	111	79	89	64	38	82	66	35	28
Runaway - Out-of-State . . . . .	425	37	38	23	83	55	31	26	37	33	36	19	7
Other Delinquency . . . . .	1214	68	100	136	132	153	122	69	93	87	93	88	73
Total Delinquent Tendencies . . . . .	3575	282	308	413	454	398	323	239	287	265	248	200	158
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>28949</b>	<b>2461</b>	<b>2301</b>	<b>3257</b>	<b>2493</b>	<b>2676</b>	<b>2390</b>	<b>2158</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2045</b>	<b>1590</b>	<b>1862</b>	
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.09	.08	.11	.11	.10	.09	.08	.07	.07	.07	.05	.06	

Illustration 22d.  
STATEWIDE ADULT & JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS BY OFFENSE, DAY & TIME OF CRIME  
JANUARY 1, 1978 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1978

Offense	Total	DAY					HOUR					UNKNOWN			
		Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	0-4AM	4-8AM	8-12AM	12-4PM	4-8PM	8-12PM	
Assault . . . . .	772	93	68	65	99	74	85	112	110	18	50	58	87	99	176
Riotous Conduct . . . . .	2909	337	192	247	264	274	323	466	562	85	87	166	231	424	806
Disturbing the Peace . . . . .	1195	221	104	150	147	123	153	233	445	51	41	72	187	296	64
Weapons . . . . .	70	9	8	10	4	6	18	8	1	9	6	9	11	6	6
Theft . . . . .	3484	340	395	421	352	448	432	538	220	48	226	658	519	352	558
Drunk . . . . .	2913	257	227	258	256	277	304	381	370	144	146	242	312	337	953
Drunk Driving . . . . .	3003	421	203	242	226	291	386	562	729	94	60	126	268	533	672
Possession of Alcohol . . . . .	2164	306	113	111	106	158	492	554	602	52	57	83	95	715	324
Cruelty to Animals . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trespassing . . . . .	525	86	38	55	62	55	63	68	99	26	22	31	37	88	98
Vagrancy . . . . .	26	2	0	3	4	0	9	4	15	1	0	0	1	4	4
Prostitution . . . . .	10	0	2	0	2	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Indecent Exposure . . . . .	86	9	17	5	3	7	10	17	15	3	8	8	18	10	18
Gambling . . . . .	5	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Traffic-Hit & Run . . . . .	183	25	15	13	17	20	19	41	46	6	11	8	17	43	33
Traffic-Reckless . . . . .	734	107	59	59	53	66	97	123	190	40	24	32	56	132	170
Warrant Arrest . . . . .	1013	81	84	120	126	112	126	81	41	11	25	31	30	47	283
Other Misdemeanors . . . . .	6282	622	506	576	535	619	728	847	811	201	412	566	654	848	1849
SubTotal Misdemeanors . . . . .	25374	2916	2032	2333	2264	2528	3238	4046	4263	781	1178	2089	2521	3947	6017
Immoral Conduct . . . . .	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Truant . . . . .	67	0	4	16	16	16	6	0	0	15	6	1	1	9	9
Curfew . . . . .	847	159	90	64	64	75	82	154	398	43	0	7	2	46	159
Incorrigible . . . . .	161	19	12	28	15	14	14	38	70	11	9	9	11	11	21
Runaway - Local . . . . .	859	68	79	108	94	85	95	91	31	23	57	63	69	72	239
Runaway-Out-of-State	425	29	32	45	35	21	26	19	27	7	14	20	31	32	218
Other Delinquency . . . . .	1214	157	118	91	117	113	143	152	144	64	46	62	88	219	323
Total Delinquent Tendencies . . . . .	3575	432	335	352	341	324	366	454	670	148	145	167	202	381	971
<b>GRAND TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>28949</b>	<b>3348</b>	<b>2367</b>	<b>2685</b>	<b>2605</b>	<b>2852</b>	<b>3604</b>	<b>4500</b>	<b>4933</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>1323</b>	<b>2256</b>	<b>2723</b>	<b>4328</b>	<b>6988</b>
Percent of Grand Total . . . . .	.12	.08	.09	.09	.10	.12	.16	.17	.03	.05	.08	.09	.15	.24	



## **MONTANA INDEX CRIMES BY CONTRIBUTOR**

This section is a summary of offenses reported to each law enforcement agency. Several crime rates may appear to be extreme for some jurisdictions; however, this is because in communities with low populations, any fluctuation in the number of crimes creates a major impact on the crime rate.

The population estimates are provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the Bureau of Census. This estimate is the best available but may be somewhat tenuous as we near the 1980 census.

AGENCY	NO. OF MONTHS CONTRIBUTED	1978 POPULATION ESTIMATE	RATE PER 100,000	CRIME INDEX	MURDER	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY THEFT	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
BEAVERHEAD COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	3,910	1,560.1	61				3	5	49	4
Dillon	12	5,290	3,686.2	195				8	20	160	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>2,782.6</b>	<b>256</b>					<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>10</b>
BIG HORN COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	6,192	1,711.9	106				11	11	39	16
Crow Tribe	A	4,686	1,045.7	49				6	13	14	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>**</b>	<b>10,878</b>	<b>1,424.9</b>	<b>155</b>				<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>21</b>
BLAINE COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	4,229	378.3	16				3	3	11	2
Ft. Belknap	A	1,623	1,910.0	31				2	1	10	2
Harlem	11	1,264	0	0				2	1	5	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>7,116</b>	<b>660.5</b>	<b>47</b>				<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>
BROADWATER COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	3,062	653.2	20				4	4	14	1
Townsend	**										
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,062</b>	<b>653.2</b>	<b>20</b>							
CARBON COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	6,167	1,572.9	97				1	5	37	9
Red Lodge	12	2,010	3,184.1	64				1	2	14	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>8,177</b>	<b>1,968.9</b>	<b>161</b>				<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>
CARTER COUNTY											
Sheriff	0	1,257	0								
Ekalaka	0	0	0								
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,257</b>									
CASCADE COUNTY											
Sheriff	9	18,576	1,453.5	270				3	5	72	167
Great Falls	12	66,573	8,135.4	5,416				1	65	289	3,374
Cascade City	2	652	306.7	2						1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>85,801</b>	<b>5,629.3</b>	<b>5,688</b>				<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>3,542</b>

DID NOT CONTRIBUTE

AGENCY	NO. OF MONTHS CONTRIBUTED	1978 POPULATION ESTIMATE	RATE PER 100,000	CRIME INDEX	MURDER	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY THEFT	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
<b>CHOUTEAU COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	8	5,096	784.9	40				2	7	28	3
Fort Benton	12	1,795	2,395.5	43			1	7	17	13	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,891</b>	<b>6,891</b>	<b>1,204.5</b>	<b>83</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>CUSTER COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	3,262	1,900.7	62							
Miles City	12	10,055	3,490.8	351			1	5	88	211	46
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,317</b>	<b>3,101.3</b>	<b>3,101.3</b>	<b>413</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>DANIELS COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	3,131	1,469.2	46							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,131</b>	<b>1,469.2</b>	<b>46</b>								
<b>DAWSON COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	4,889	1,636.3	80							
Glendive	12	6,700	2,925.4	196			3				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,589</b>	<b>2,381.6</b>	<b>2,381.6</b>	<b>276</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>DEER LODGE COUNTY</b>											
Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Consolidation	11	15,000	593.3	89							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>593.3</b>	<b>89</b>								
<b>FALLON COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	1,066	3,470.9	37				1			
Baker	12	3,000	1,800.0	54			1	1			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,066</b>	<b>2,238.1</b>	<b>2,238.1</b>	<b>91</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>FERGUS COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	6,485	1,449.5	94				7	16	65	5
Lewistown	12	7,215	4,449.1	321			2	24	53	229	11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,700</b>	<b>3,029.2</b>	<b>415</b>				<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>16</b>

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<b>FLATHEAD COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	27,486	3,929.3	1,080	1	16	4	35	329	593	102
Kalispell	12	16,776	5,674.8	952	3	5	33	203	655	655	53
Columbia Falls	12	3,316	4,825.1	160	2	2	7	19	120	120	12
Whitefish	10	4,181	4,042.1	169	1	19	13	10	25	125	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>51,759</b>	<b>4,561.5</b>	<b>2,361</b>				<b>85</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>174</b>
<b>GALATIN COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	11,643	3,555.8	414	6	3	14	75	285	31	
Bozeman	12	25,000	4,812.0	1,203	2	5	33	178	911	74	
West Yellowstone	12	757	19,815.1	150	1	1	7	25	107	9	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>37,400</b>	<b>4,724.6</b>	<b>1,767</b>				<b>54</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>114</b>
<b>GARFIELD COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	1,796	55.7	1							
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,796</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>1</b>							
<b>GLACIER COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	6	1,014	3,155.8	32				5	14	7	6
Cut Bank	9	4,214	2,159.5	91				2	19	42	28
Blackfeet Tribe	A	5,272	569.0	30	1			5	16	6	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10,500</b>	<b>1,457.1</b>	<b>153</b>				<b>10</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	0	915	0								
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>915</b>	<b>0</b>								
<b>GRANITE COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	3	1,328	75.3	1				1			
Philipsburg	3	967	517.1	5				2			
Drummond	12	450	2,000.0	9				1			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,745</b>	<b>546.4</b>	<b>15</b>				<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>HILL COUNTY</b>											
Sheriff	12	6,093	2,297.7	140				12	72	43	13
Havre	12	10,958	5,557.6	609				5	82	466	51
Rocky Boy	A	1,749	1,429.4	25				1	10	6	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18,800</b>	<b>4,117.0</b>	<b>774</b>				<b>22</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>67</b>

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JEFFERSON COUNTY	12	6,251	991.8	62	2		1	11	19	20	9
Sheriff		1,049	476.6	5				1	3	22	1
Boulder		7,300	917.8	67	2		1	12	22	20	10
JUDITH BASIN COUNTY	10	2,846	1,124.4	32				3	19	10	
Sheriff		2,846	1,124.4	32				3	19	10	
TOTAL											
LAKE COUNTY											
Sheriff	7	11,938	1,784.2	213	2	2		6	80	110	13
Ronan	12	1,434	8,159.0	117				13	24	70	10
St. Ignatius	7	920	2,173.9	20	2	2			7	7	2
Flathead Tribe	A	3,600	4,638.9	167	1	2		30	64	43	27
TOTAL		17,892	2,889.6	517	5	6		49	175	230	52
LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	9,041	4,645.5	420	3		4	45	111	215	34
Helena	12	27,091	6,659.0	1,804	1	6	16	22	245	1,391	123
East Helena	6	1,868	910.1	17				2	2	12	1
TOTAL		38,000	5,897.4	2,241	4	14	20	69	358	1,618	158
LIBERTY COUNTY											
Sheriff	8	2,360	1,440.7	34					7	27	
TOTAL		2,360	1,440.7	34					7	27	
LINCOLN COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	14,692	3,975.0	584	1	4	2	22	100	376	79
Libby	11	3,442	8,338.2	287		1		2	52	227	5
Troy	11	1,006	3,578.5	36			1.		12	19	3
Eureka	0	0	0	0				DID NOT CONTRIBUTE			
TOTAL		19,140	4,738.8	907	1	5	3	25	164	622	87
MC CONE COUNTY											
Sheriff	3	1,803	388.2	7					5	2	
Circle	6	1,043	2,396.9	25					14	9	1
TOTAL		2,846	1,124.4	32					1	11	1

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MADISON COUNTY	11	5,795	1,087.1	63				11	15	33	4
Sheriff			1,087.1	63				11	15	33	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,795</b>	<b>1,087.1</b>								
MEAGHER COUNTY	6	2,100	666.7	14					2	12	
Sheriff		2,100	666.7	14					2	12	
<b>TOTAL</b>											
MINERAL COUNTY	12	3,456	5,902.8	204				1	8	38	10
Sheriff		3,456	5,902.8	204				1	8	38	10
<b>TOTAL</b>											
MISSOULA COUNTY	12	32,909	2,148.3	707				4	46	118	447
Sheriff		35,000	10,065.7	3,523	3	9	25	124	455	2,634	89
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>67,909</b>	<b>6,228.9</b>	<b>4,230</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>3,081</b>	<b>273</b>
MUSSELSHELL COUNTY	11	4,778	2,783.6	133					8	23	95
Sheriff		4,778	2,783.6	133					8	23	95
<b>TOTAL</b>											
PARK COUNTY	12	4,127	4,700.8	194				3	6	18	150
Sheriff		8,217	4,089.1	336	1	4	4	2	2	36	255
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12,344</b>	<b>4,293.6</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>405</b>
PETROLEUM COUNTY	0	712	0	0							
Sheriff		712	0	0							
<b>TOTAL</b>											
PHILLIPS COUNTY	12	3,211	3,020.9	97	3				1	34	51
Sheriff		2,279	175.5	4					1	34	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,490</b>	<b>1,839.7</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>3</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>54</b>
PONDERA COUNTY	12	6,847	759.5	52					1	5	28
Sheriff		676	2,958.6	20					2	1	16
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>7,523</b>	<b>957.1</b>	<b>72</b>					<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>44</b>

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POWDER RIVER COUNTY	9	3,000 3,000	933.3 933.3	28 28	1 1	1 1	1 1	7 7	7 7	20 20	
Sheriff <b>TOTAL</b>											
POWELL COUNTY	12	7,523 <b>7,523</b>	3,469.4 <b>3,469.4</b>	261 <b>261</b>	1 1	2 2	20 <b>20</b>	51 <b>51</b>	175 <b>175</b>	12 12	
Deer Lodge-Powell County Consolidation <b>TOTAL</b>											
PRAIRIE COUNTY	6	932 898 <b>1,830</b>	858.4 0 437.2	8 0 <b>8</b>				7 7	7 7	1 1	
Sheriff Terry <b>TOTAL</b>											
RAVALLI COUNTY	7	17,135	1,406.5	241	1	14	51	161	161	14	
Hamilton	12	3,708	5,717.4	212	14	14	31	158	158	9	
Stevensville	6	1,157	1,382.9	16			1	15	15		
<b>TOTAL</b>		22,000	2,131.8	<b>469</b>	1	28	<b>83</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>334</b>	23	
RICHLAND COUNTY	10	5,013	319.2	16		4			6	2	
Sidney	12	7,042	2,584.5	182	2	3	27	138	138	14	
Fairview	12	945	423.3	4		1	1	3	3		
<b>TOTAL</b>		13,000	<b>1,553.8</b>	<b>202</b>	2	7	<b>30</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	16	
ROOSEVELT COUNTY	12	4,169	5,612.9	234	2	3	21	100	81	26	
Poplar	11	1,523	2,232.4	34			31	1		2	
Fort Peck Tribe	A	5,084	885.1	45	2	1	15	22	3		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10,776</b>	<b>2,904.6</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>85</b>	28	
ROSEBUD COUNTY	12	6,456	1,378.6	89	1	1	3	18	60	6	
Northern Cheyenne	A	3,122	1,633.6	51	2	2	26	9	9	5	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>9,578</b>	<b>1,461.7</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>69</b>	11	

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SANDERS COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	9,318	1,717.1	160	1	5		10	39	96	9
Hot Springs	11	682	293.3	2				1	1		
Thompson Falls	**										
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10,000</b>	<b>1,620.0</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>9</b>
SHERIDAN COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	5,286	113.5	6							
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,286</b>	<b>113.5</b>	<b>6</b>							
SILVER BOW COUNTY											
Butte-Silver Bow Consolidation	12	43,500	3,595.4	1,564	2	1	13	155	271	1,046	76
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>43,500</b>	<b>3,595.4</b>	<b>1,564</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>76</b>
STILLWATER COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	5,388	1,132.1	61	1	1	1	1	14	38	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,388</b>	<b>1,132.1</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>
SWEET GRASS COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	3,144	3,848.6	121	2	2	13	13	16	88	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,144</b>	<b>3,848.6</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2</b>
TETON COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	4,724	1,503.0	71		2		2	19	43	5
Choteau	9	1,600	2,250.0	36				3	6	25	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,324</b>	<b>1,692.0</b>	<b>107</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>7</b>
TOOLE COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	5,591	1,448.8	81				1	6	23	31
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,591</b>	<b>1,448.8</b>	<b>81</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>31</b>
TREASURE COUNTY											
Sheriff	11	1,322	680.8	9							
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,322</b>	<b>680.8</b>	<b>9</b>							
VALLEY COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	5,927	1,535.3	91				1	20	58	10
Glasgow	12	6,882	2,949.7	203				1	20	160	12
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12,809</b>	<b>2,295.3</b>	<b>294</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>22</b>

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WHEATLAND COUNTY											
Sheriff	8	2,440	1,598.4	39				8	8	20	1
TOTAL		2,440	1,598.4	39	2	2		8	8	20	1
WIBAUX COUNTY											
Sheriff	0	1,525									
TOTAL		1,525									
YELLOWSTONE COUNTY											
Sheriff	12	24,391	4,362.3	1,064	3	3	7	90	191	697	73
Billings	12	70,256	5,736.2	4,030	21	61	126	935	2,588	299	
Laurel	12	7,726	2,899.3	224	2	2	5	54	148	15	
TOTAL		102,373	5,194.7	5,318	3	24	70	221	1,180	3,433	387
GLACIER NATIONAL PARK	A										
			75					3	11	61	
STATE TOTAL		785,000	3,980.4	31,246	37	146	259	1,519	6,270	20,563	2,452

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