

Section 2

Crime Summary

Facts at a Glance

- There were 103,062 serious crimes reported, with a 25% clearance rate (page 69).
- The 1999 crime rate for the State of Arkansas was established at 4,043 serious crimes for every 100,000 inhabitants (pages 14 and 69).
- 219,794 arrests were made in the state. Eight percent of these involved persons under 18 years of age (pages 82 - 84).
- The value of property stolen amounted to \$104,194,500 in 1999. Recovered property was estimated to be \$43,483,298 with a recovery rate of 42% (page 73).
- All areas of theft decreased except jewels/precious metals which increased by only 2%. The most significant decreases were for office equipment (32%), firearms (24%) and clothing/furs (21%). Stolen motor vehicles had a 73% recovery rate, the highest of any category (page 73).
- Firearms were used in 67% of all murder/non-negligent manslaughters reported (page 25), 53% of all robberies (page 39) and 23% of the aggravated assaults (page 42).
- 708 reported rapes occurred during 1999. This is the lowest number of reported rapes since 1986 (page 29).
- 32% of the 2,014 reported robberies took place on the street or highway (page 39).
- 7,870 aggravated assaults were reported during 1999. Of these, 2,995 (38%) were committed by the use of hands, fists, or feet (page 42).
- Residential burglaries accounted for 74% of all burglaries reported. The estimated value of property stolen in all burglaries is \$22 million, with almost one-third of this taken in day time residential burglaries (page 45).
- 6,623 motor vehicle thefts were reported. Compared to 1998, the number of these thefts decreased 7% (page 50).
- For the year of 1999, no Arkansas law enforcement officers were killed by felonious means while on duty (page 58).
- There were 257 assaults on officers reported and 43% of these resulted in personal injury to the officer (page 59).

Crime Summary 1999

The data compiled for the Crime Summary is based only on agencies which reported in 1998 and 1999. Therefore, these totals will be different from the totals for 1999.

Crime Index

	1998	1999	Percent Change
Violent Crime	12,299	10,709	-12.9%
Murder	202	143	-29.2%
Forcible Rape	880	707	-19.7%
Robbery	2,434	2,013	-17.3%
Aggravated Assault	8,783	7,846	-10.7%
Property Crime	95,840	91,816	-4.2%
Burglary	23,353	21,617	-7.4%
Theft	64,804	63,101	-2.6%
Motor Vehicle Theft	7,118	6,601	-7.3%
Arson	565	497	-12.0%
Total Index	108,139	102,525	-5.2%

Arrests

	1998	1999	Percent Change
Juvenile Arrests	20,025	18,525	-7.5%
Adult Arrests	191,840	201,055	4.8%
Total	211,865	219,580	3.6%

Property

	1998	1999	Percent Change
Property Stolen	\$112,017,770	\$104,056,123	-7.1%
Property Recovered	\$44,022,229	\$43,442,738	-1.3%

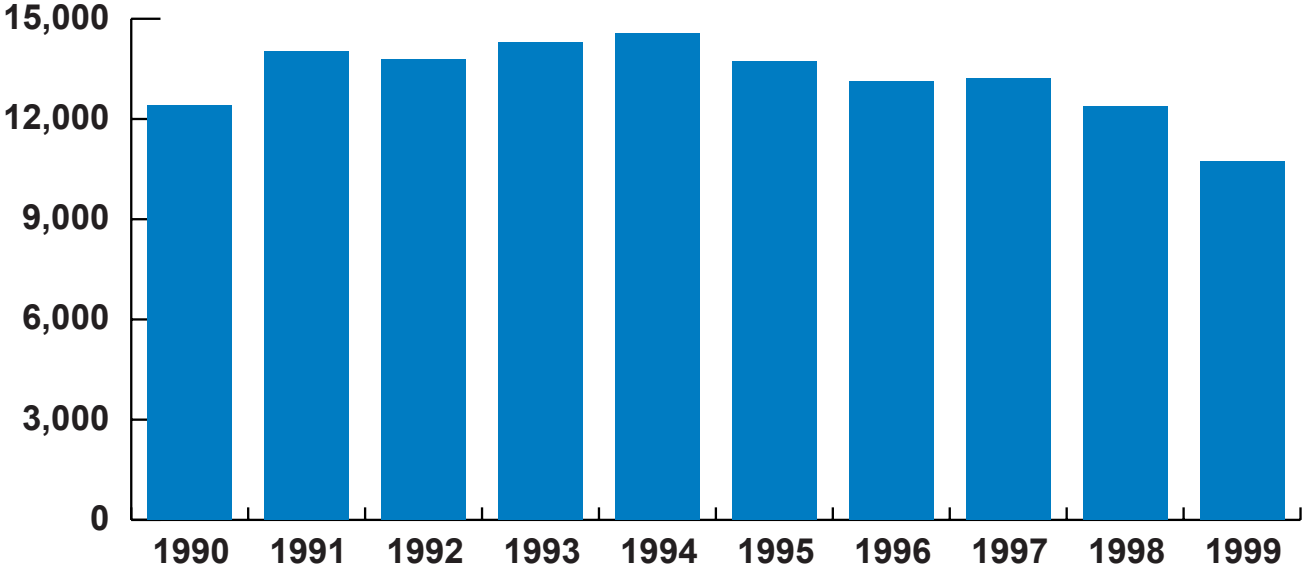
Uniform Crime Reporting 1990 - 1999

Year	Population	Reporting Population	Index Offenses	Offense % Change	Crime Rate ¹	Rate % Change
1990	2,350,725	2,339,794 (99.5%)	114,372	4.1%	4,888.1	6.5%
1991	2,350,725	2,346,274 (99.8%)	122,984	7.5%	5,241.7	7.2%
1992	2,350,725	2,347,570 (99.9%)	114,569	-6.8%	4,880.3	-6.9%
1993	2,399,000	2,396,140 (99.9%)	116,689	1.9%	4,869.9	-0.2%
1994	2,424,000	2,421,864 (99.9%)	117,997	1.1%	4,872.2	0.0%
1995	2,453,000	2,452,724 (100.0%)	116,869	-1.0%	4,764.9	-2.2%
1996	2,510,000	2,498,432 (99.5%)	118,213	1.2%	4,731.5	-0.7%
1997	2,523,000	2,510,606 (99.5%)	118,892	0.6%	4,735.6	0.1%
1998	2,539,000	2,532,564 (99.7%)	108,634	-8.6%	4,289.5	-9.4%
1999	2,551,000	2,549,132 (99.9%)	103,062	-5.1%	4,043.0	-5.7%

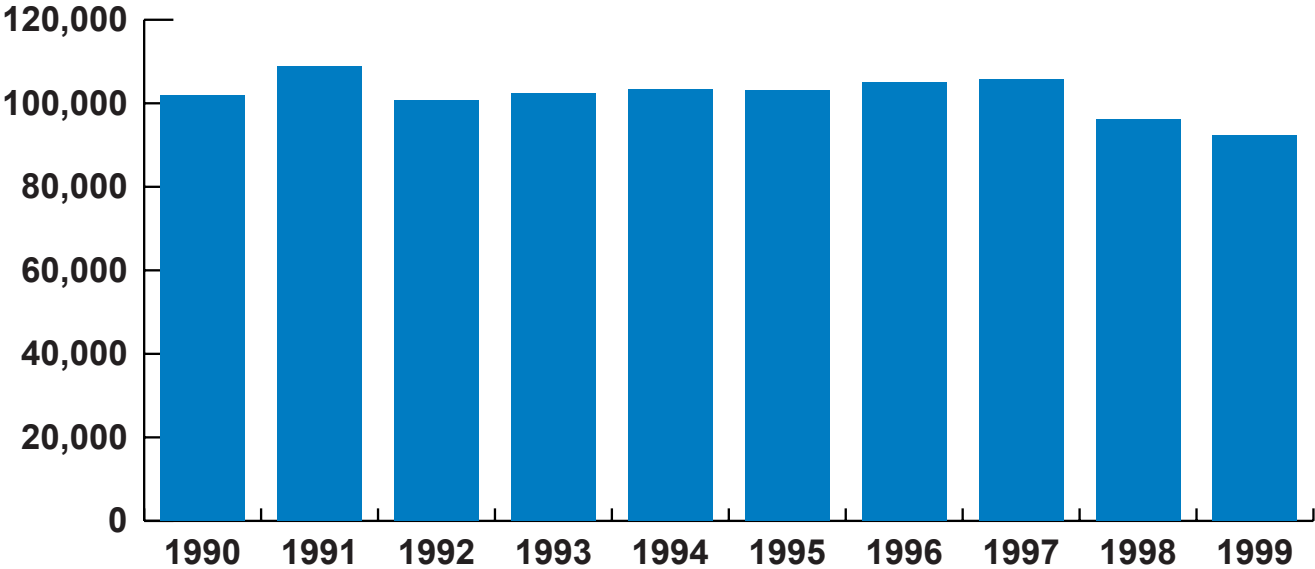
¹ Crime Rate is calculated per 100,000.

Crime Trend 1990 - 1999

Violent Crime

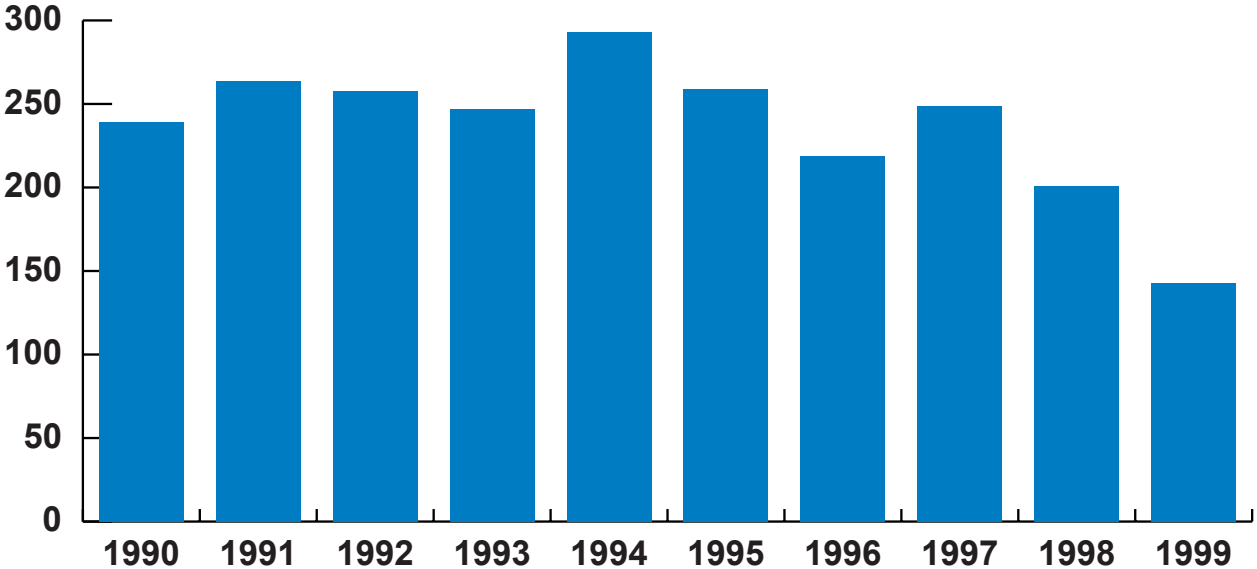


Property Crime

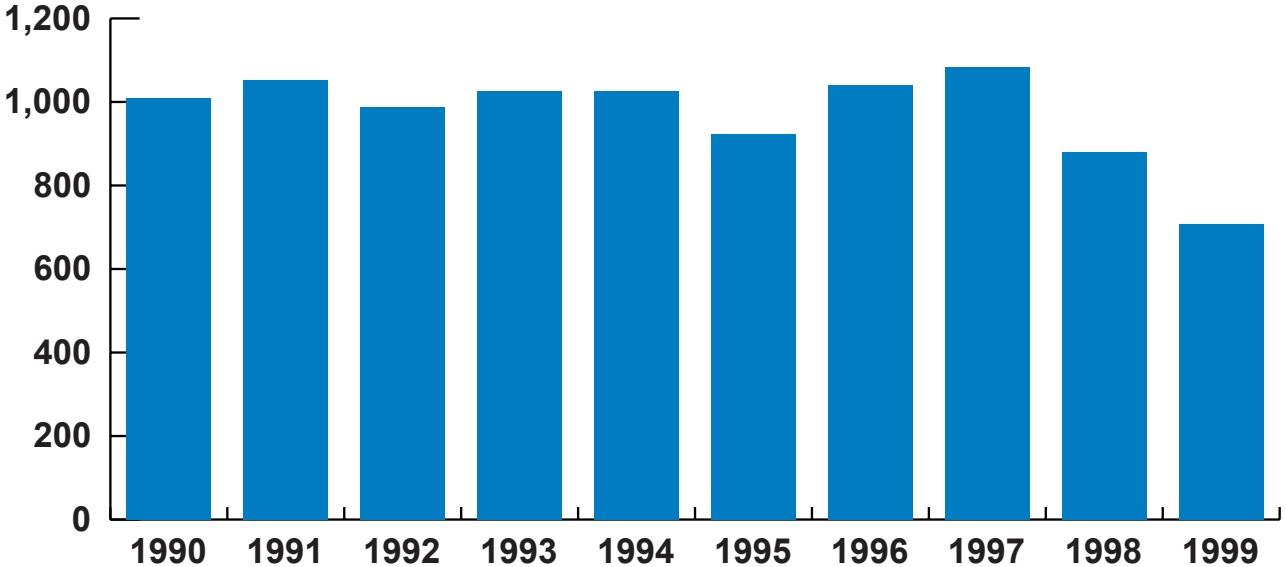


Crime Trend 1990 - 1999

Murder

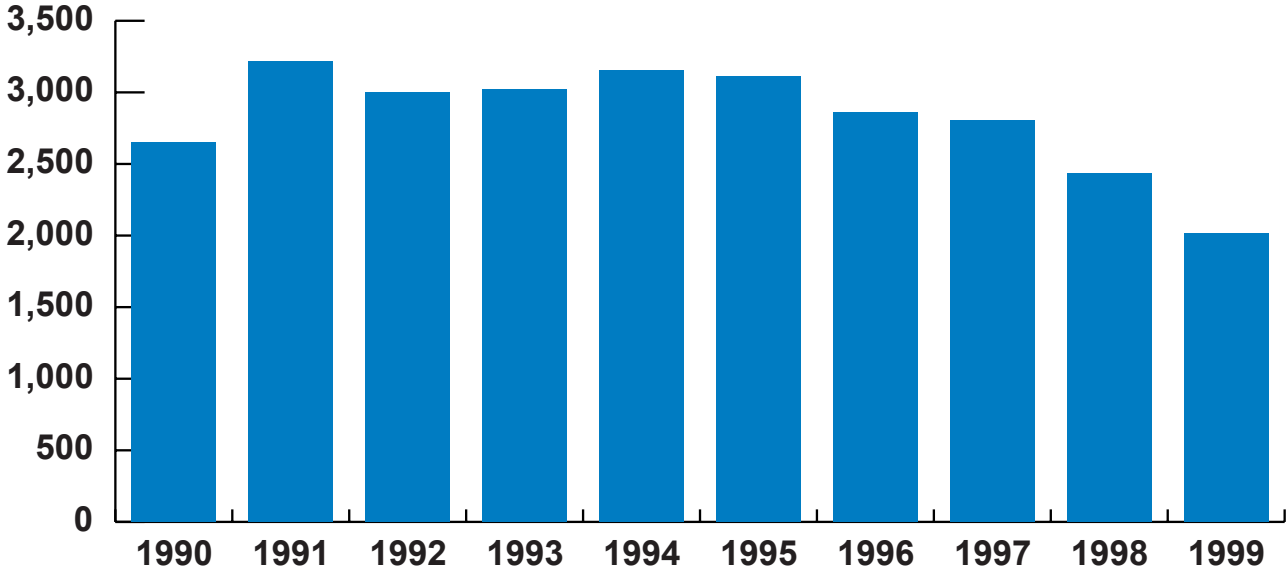


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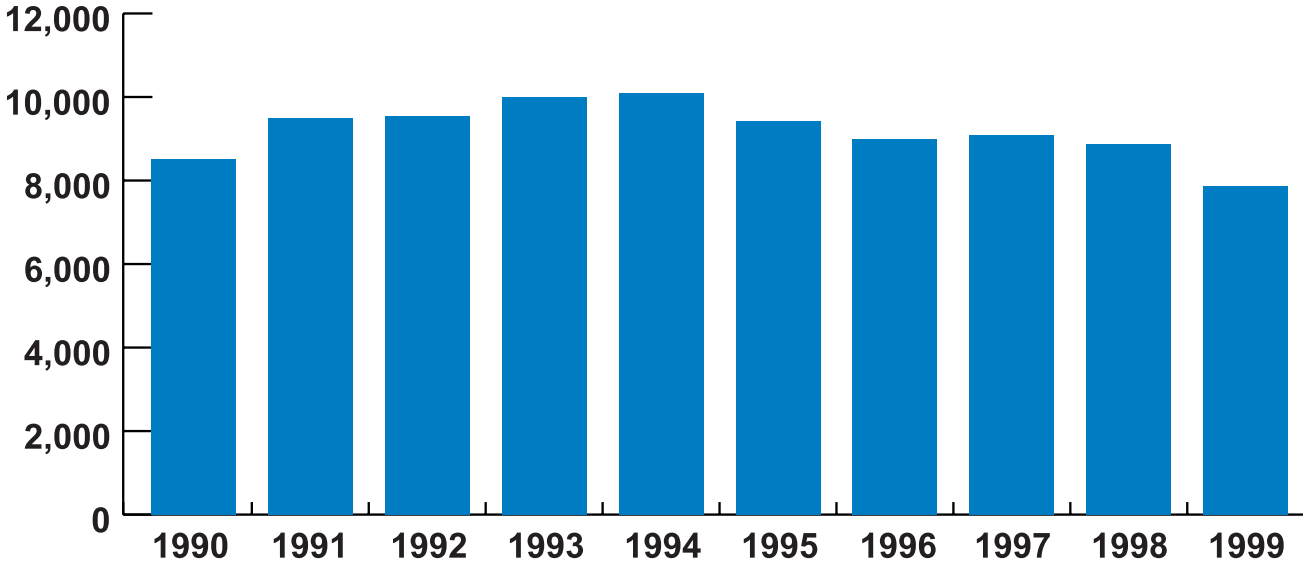


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Robbery

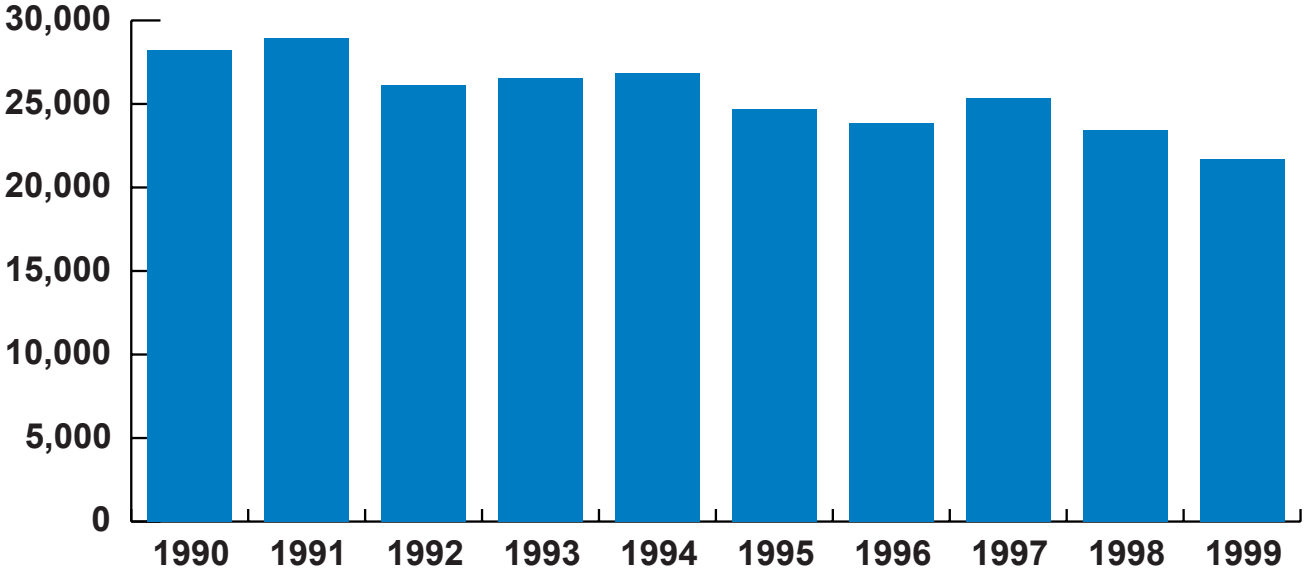


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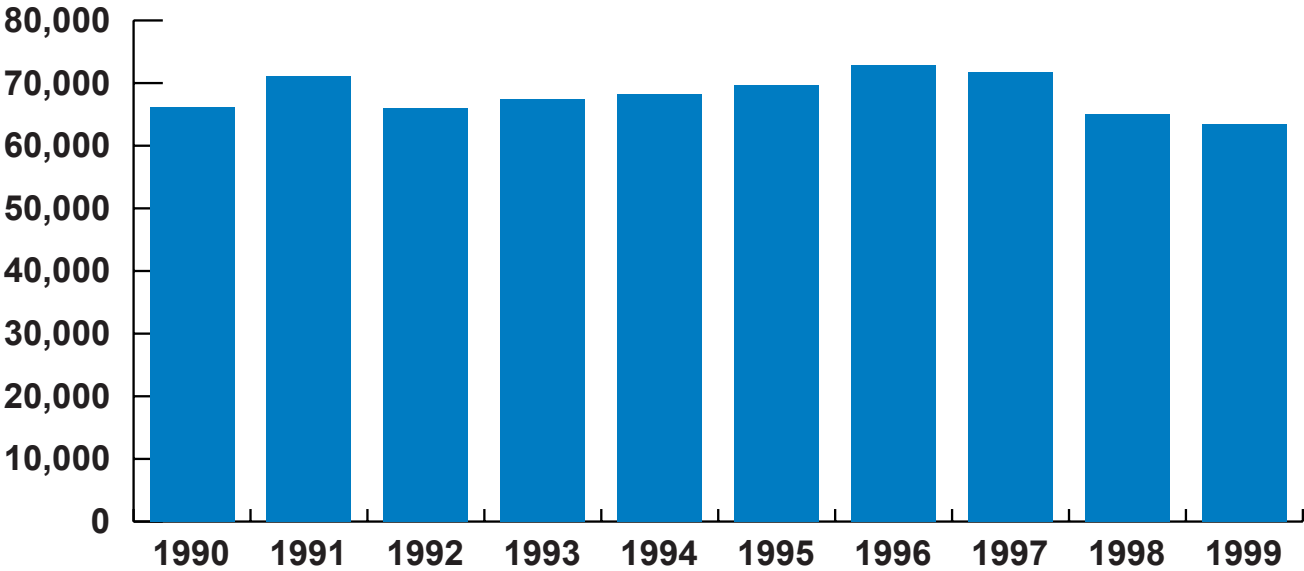


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Burglary

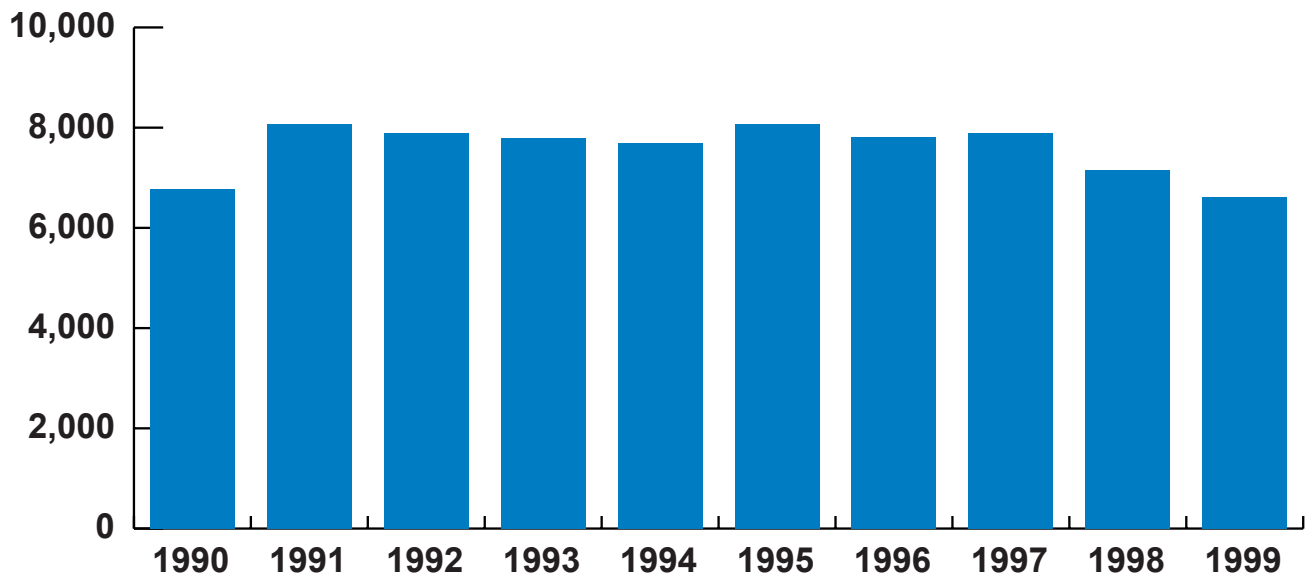


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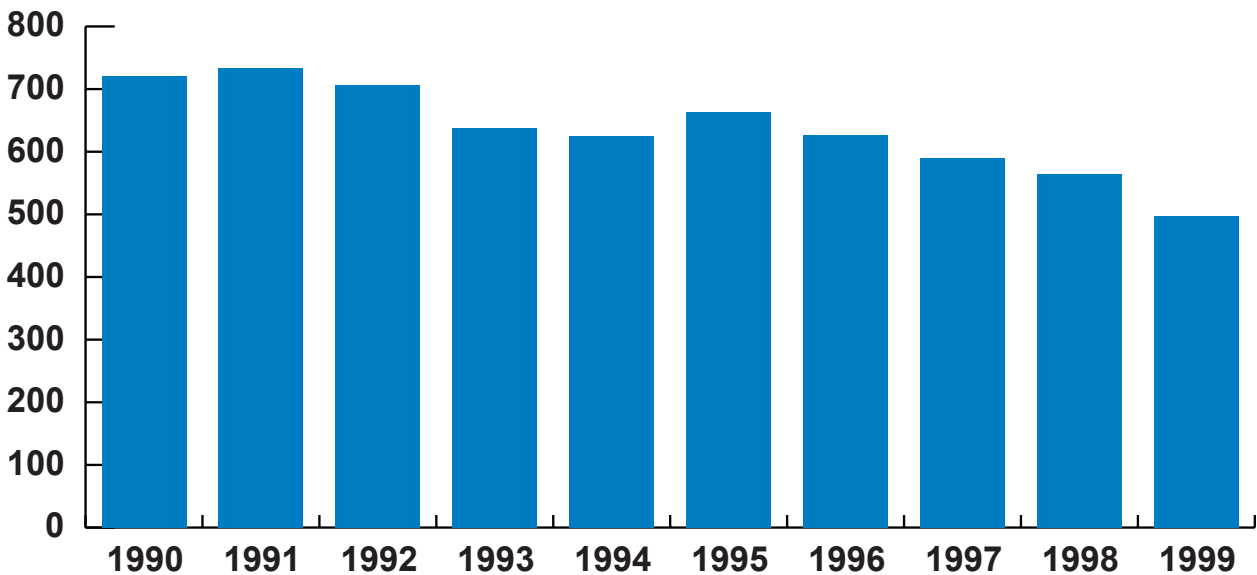


Crime Trend 1990 - 1999

Motor Vehicle Theft



Arson



Crime Index by Month

Month	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Agg. Assault	Burglary	Theft	MV Theft	Arson	Offense Total
Jan	11	63	183	577	1,985	4,826	513	37	8,195
Feb	9	49	122	594	1,531	4,161	453	32	6,951
Mar	8	61	134	636	1,596	4,587	473	47	7,542
Apr	13	51	163	633	1,679	4,910	540	38	8,027
May	12	70	134	700	1,693	5,254	509	43	8,415
Jun	8	62	139	681	1,713	5,803	559	37	9,002
Jul	15	59	206	727	2,169	6,120	658	55	10,009
Aug	15	84	198	786	2,003	6,201	674	56	10,017
Sep	9	60	177	691	1,857	5,712	637	42	9,185
Oct	14	48	177	687	1,843	5,561	569	38	8,937
Nov	11	57	160	617	1,868	5,086	500	43	8,342
Dec	18	44	221	541	1,773	5,275	538	30	8,440
Year Total	143	708	2,014	7,870	21,710	63,496	6,623	498	103,062

Metropolitan Crime

The eight largest law enforcement jurisdictions in Arkansas represent 23 percent of the state's population. These agencies have a population of more than 50,000 and include:

Agency	Population
Benton County Sheriff's Office	60,569
Fayetteville Police Department	53,574
Fort Smith Police Department	76,026
Jonesboro Police Department	52,519
Little Rock Police Department	175,833
North Little Rock Police Department	59,489
Pine Bluff Police Department	53,241
Pulaski County Sheriff's Office	57,586
Total	588,837

Crime Index

Offense	Total for Metro Area	State Total	Percent of State Total
Violent Crime	4,540	10,735	42.3%
Murder	58	143	40.6%
Forcible Rape	326	708	46.0%
Robbery	1,219	2,014	60.5%
Aggravated Assault	2,937	7,870	37.3%
Property Crime	37,198	92,327	40.3%
Burglary	7,828	21,710	36.1%
Theft	26,106	63,496	41.1%
Motor Vehicle Theft	3,010	6,623	45.4%
Arson	254	498	51.0%
Total	41,738	103,062	40.5%

