

# Property Crime

**Table 1. Uniform Crime Index Property Crime Offenses; Franklin County, 1998-2008**

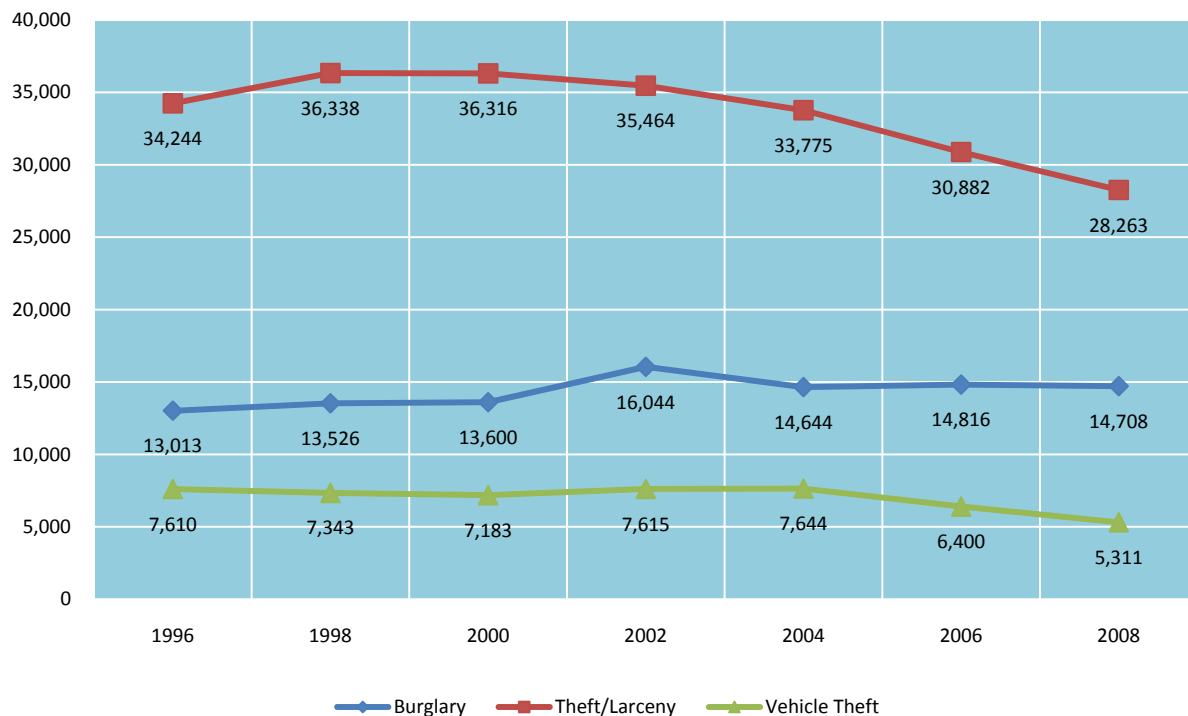
Jurisdiction	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Columbus Division of Police	57,207	55,537	57,099	62,194	59,123	54,395	56,063	54,141	52,098	51,491	48,282
Franklin County Sheriff	4,103	4,080	4,185	4,112	4,284	4,163	4,706	4,386	4,060	3,693	NA
Other Franklin County Cities	7,971 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,704 <sup>(1)</sup>	8,682 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,534	7,155 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,286 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,510	7,493	8,249	9,029	8,554

<sup>(1)</sup>Data do not include all 10 Franklin County cities.

Sources: Columbus Division of Police, 1998-2004 Annual Reports; Franklin County Sheriff's Office, 1996-2004 Annual Reports; Federal Bureau of Investigation, Index of Crime, 1996-2003

- The number of property crime offenses in the City of Columbus was 48,282 in 2008, the lowest annual count in the past decade and nearly 14,000 fewer than in 2001.
- The FBI's Uniform Crime Index Program indicated that the property crime category decreased in the United States by 0.8% between 2007 and 2008. In Columbus, the number of property crimes decreased by 6.2% during this period.
- The FBI's Uniform Crime Index reported other Franklin County cities had the following numbers of property crimes in 2008: Whitehall, 1,682; Reynoldsburg, 1,303; Grove City, 1,060; Westerville, 1,017; Gahanna, 940; Hilliard, 893; Dublin, 733; Bexley, 408; Grandview Heights, 190; and Groveport, 189.

**Chart 1. City of Columbus Select Property Crime Offenses, 1996-2008**



- In Columbus, there were 1,089 fewer vehicle theft offenses in 2008 than in 2006. The number of theft and larceny offenses in Columbus has decreased steadily between 2002 and 2008.

## About the Data

### Data Sources:

- Columbus Division of Police, 1998-2008 Annual Reports (Columbus crime data)
- Federal Bureau of Investigation, Uniform Crime Index, 1996-2008

### Definitions:

- **Property crime:** Burglary, theft/larceny, and vehicle theft

### Explanations and Caveats:

- The FBI's Index of Crime is a compilation of reports from state and local law enforcement agencies.

### Update Status:

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