

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

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1985—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 59,726 motor vehicle thefts was reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida during 1985.

Motor vehicle thefts made up 7.9 percent of all nonviolent crimes and 6.9 percent of all index offenses reported.

The statewide motor vehicle theft rate for the year amounted to 529.6 per 100,000 population.

There were 11,932 motor vehicle thefts cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, representing a clearance rate of 20.0 percent statewide.

The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, 13.3 percent, occurred in the 25-29

age category. Of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft 89.9 percent were males.

Of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, 67.0 percent were white, 32.8 percent were black and 0.2 percent were of other races.

The average value of a motor vehicle theft during the reporting period was \$4,998.

Motor vehicles reported stolen during the commission of any Part I offense totaled \$298,520,765; \$156,971,494 was recovered which constitutes a 52.6 percent recovery rate in value. Of the total number of motor vehicles recovered, 68.4 percent had originally been stolen from the same jurisdiction.

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT CLEARANCE RATE AND VALUE STOLEN, 1983-1985

	1983	1984	1985
Number of Motor Vehicle Theft Offenses	43,236	46,847	59,726
Number of Clearances	9,113	10,296	11,932
Percent Cleared	21.1%	22.0%	20.0%
Value* Stolen During Motor Vehicle Theft	\$178,057,827	\$215,932,236	\$298,520,765

*Includes the value of property contained in the vehicles at the time of the motor vehicle theft.

ANALYSIS OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLES** VALUE OF VEHICLES STOLEN AND RECOVERED BY TYPE, 1983-1985

	1983	1984	1985
Automobiles			
Value Stolen	\$135,663,785	\$164,965,220	\$234,731,322
Value Recovered	\$ 64,274,383	\$ 82,424,422	\$131,925,490
Percent Recovered	47.4%	50.0%	56.2%
Trucks and Buses			
Value Stolen	\$ 38,613,580	\$ 45,325,774	\$ 54,017,127
Value Recovered	\$ 20,156,003	\$ 23,998,515	\$ 29,024,709
Percent Recovered	52.2%	52.9%	53.7%
Motorcycles			
Value Stolen	\$ 6,102,152	\$ 6,165,796	\$ 7,114,905
Value Recovered	\$ 2,122,896	\$ 2,312,850	\$ 2,665,898
Percent Recovered	34.8%	37.5%	37.5%
Other Vehicles			
Value Stolen	\$ 4,071,560	\$ 3,483,537	\$ 4,512,205
Value Recovered	\$ 2,145,243	\$ 1,910,880	\$ 2,306,225
Percent Recovered	52.7%	54.9%	51.1%
TOTAL			
Value Stolen	\$184,451,077	\$219,940,327	\$300,375,559
Value Recovered	\$ 88,698,525	\$110,646,667	\$165,922,322
Percent Recovered	48.1%	50.3%	55.2%

**Includes vehicles stolen during the commission of any Part I offense; specifically murder, forcible rape, robbery, burglary, or motor vehicle theft. Property contained in the vehicles is not included.