

1984 FLORIDA CRIME SUMMARY AND PRESS RELEASE

On March 25, 1985, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement released its fourteenth Annual Florida Uniform Crime Report, reflecting a general overview of reported crime and related data during 1984.

CRIME VOLUME

The volume of reported index crimes (Violent: Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault; Nonviolent: Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft) increased 3.4 percent from 1983.

- Total Volume 749,231 Index Crimes
- Time Frequency 1 Index Crime every 42 Seconds
- Population Frequency 1 Index Crime for every 15 Residents
- Most Notable Violent Index Crime Increase 8.2 percent increase in Aggravated Assault
- Most Notable Nonviolent Index Crime Increase 8.4 percent increase in Motor Vehicle Theft

*CRIME RATE

The 1984 crime rate increased to 68.5 index crimes for every 1,000 residents.

- Violent Crime Rate increased to 8.7 index crimes/1,000 residents
- Nonviolent Crime Rate decreased to 59.8 index crimes/1,000 residents

**MODIFIED CRIME RATE

The 1984 modified crime rate was 61.3 index crimes for every 1,000 residents.

- Violent Modified Crime Rate 7.8 index crimes/1,000 residents
- Nonviolent Modified Crime Rate 53.5 index crimes/1,000 residents

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- Total Volume Reported 15.8 percent increase
- Value of Property Destroyed \$32,979,615
- Most Frequent Location single occupancy, residential

***POPULATION

Florida's population increased 3.2 percent in 1984. This reflected a population density of 202 people per square mile.

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN

The dollar loss of reported property stolen reveals a 5.3 percent increase to a total of \$600,980,852. Law enforcement agencies recovered 24.0 percent of the loss, or \$143,972,785.

CLEARANCE RATE

- Index Crime Clearance Volume 173,977 Crimes Cleared
- Total Index Clearance Rate 23.2 percent
- Violent Index Crime Clearance Rate 52.8 percent
- Nonviolent Index Crime Clearance Rate 18.9 percent

ARRESTS

Criminal arrests in Florida increased 3.9 percent.

- Index Crime Arrests 4.0 percent increase
- Index Crime Arrests Volume 146,025
- Total Arrest Volume 554,618
- Narcotic Drug Law Violation Arrests 11.3 percent increase

- Age Breakdown of Total Arrests
 - Under age of 15 5.2 percent
 - Under age of 18 13.9 percent
 - Under age of 21 26.0 percent
 - Under age of 25 43.7 percent
- Adult Arrests
 - Total Arrests 3.7 percent increase
 - Part I Offense Arrests 4.5 percent increase
 - Part II Offense Arrests 3.5 percent increase
- Juvenile Arrests
 - Total Arrests 4.5 percent increase
 - Part I Offense Arrests 2.5 percent increase
 - Part II Offense Arrests 6.6 percent increase

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED

There were six Florida Law Enforcement officers killed in the line of duty during 1984.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSAULTED

- Total Assaults 4.0 percent increase
- Total Volume of Assaults 6,284
- Percent Assaults with Personal Injury 21.3 percent
- Percent Assaults without Personal Injury 78.7 percent

RATIO OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEES

As of October 31, 1984, the number of full-time law enforcement employees (sworn and civilian) in Florida increased 3.9 percent over 1983 to 38,848. In 1984, there were 24,226 sworn officers in Florida. The rate per 1,000 residents was 2.2 sworn officers, reflecting no change over the 1983 rate.

* Rates do not include transient population totals.
 **Refer to page 24 for explanation of modified crime rate.
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