

LARCENY

Larceny is the taking of the personal property of another with intent to permanently deprive him of ownership.

All larcenies and thefts resulting from pocket picking, purse snatching, shoplifting, larceny from an auto, larceny of auto parts and accessories, theft of bicycle, larceny from buildings and from any coin operated machines are included in this category. Embezzlements, illegal conversions, larceny by a bailee, frauds or bad check cases are not included.

For purposes of the Crime Index, only larcenies involving \$50 or more are counted.* All attempted larcenies are classed as under \$50 in value and are not included in the index.

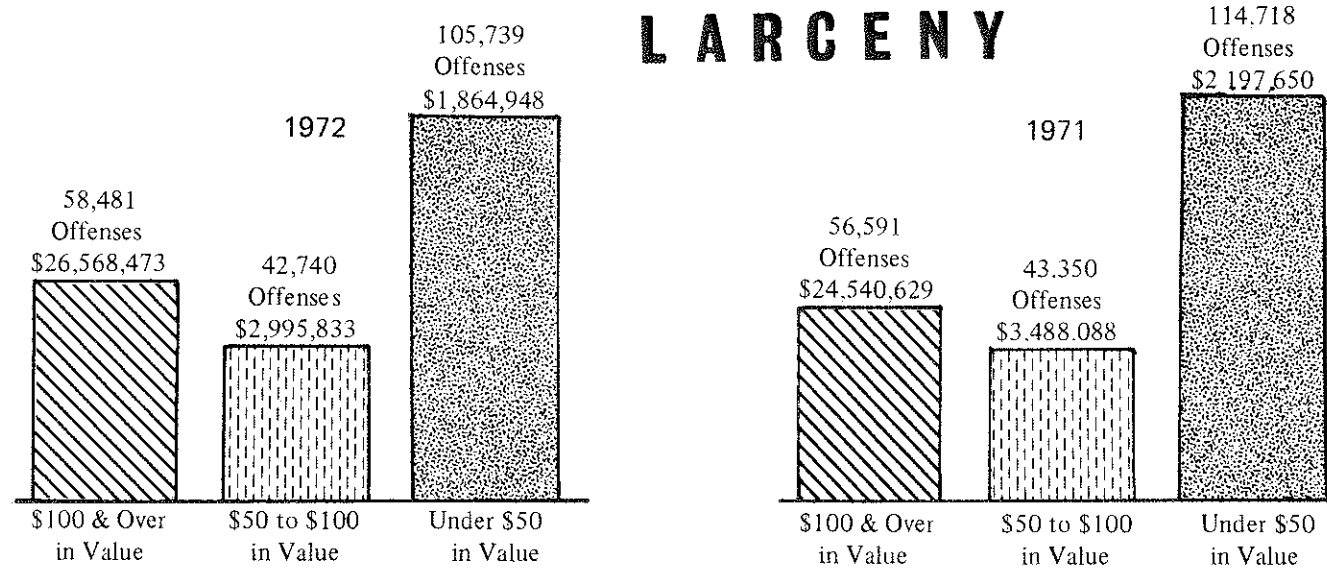
1971
SUMMARY ANALYSIS

- A total of 99,941 larcenies \$50 and over were reported by law enforcement agencies for 1971.
- Reported larcenies \$50 and over accounted for 40.7 percent of crimes against property and 35.1 percent of all index offenses.
- The larceny rate for Florida for 1971 amounted to 1,419.4 per 100,000 population.
- There were 10,292 larcenies \$50 and over cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 10.3 percent statewide.
- The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for larceny, 8.7 percent, occurred in the 16 year old age category. Males accounted for 69.4 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.
- 59.7 percent of all persons arrested for larceny (including offenses under \$50 in value) were White, 39.4 percent were Negro, and 0.9 percent were of other races.
- During 1971 the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$30,226,367. This constitutes 28.1 percent of the total value of property stolen.
- Thefts from buildings, fifth in rank of occurrence, resulted in the second highest dollar loss for all theft categories (including the "All Other category). Thieves netted \$7,229,297 from thefts from buildings.

1972
SUMMARY ANALYSIS

- A total of 101,221 larcenies \$50 and over were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1972.
- Reported larcenies \$50 and over accounted for 41.4 percent of crimes against property and 35.6 percent of all index offenses reported.
- The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 1,360.2 per 100,000 population.
- There were 11,301 larcenies \$50 and over cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 11.2 percent statewide.
- The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for larceny, 8.5 percent, occurred in the 15 year old age category. Males accounted for 67.3 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.
- 61.2 percent of all persons arrested for larceny (including offenses under \$50 in value) were White, 38.2 percent were Negro, and 0.6 percent were of other races.
- During the year 1972, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$31,429,254. This constitutes 28.8 percent of the total value of property stolen.
- Excluding the "All Other Category, the highest dollar loss, totaling \$7,406,305, as well as the highest number of larceny offenses, occurred in the Larceny From Buildings category.

*As reflected on the opposite page, larceny offenses include those offenses under \$50 in value. In 1973 all larceny offenses will be considered as the index crime of larceny. This change if applied to 1972 data would reflect a larceny rate per 100,000 population of 2,781.1 instead of 1,360.2 or an increase in the larceny rate of 104.5 percent.



Classification		Number of Offenses	Percent of Distribution*	Total Values	Average Values
Pocket-Picking	1972	1,434	0.7	\$ 153,374	\$107
	1971	1,565	0.7	143,761	92
Purse Snatching	1972	3,484	1.7	\$ 245,809	\$ 71
	1971	3,438	1.6	255,697	74
Shoplifting	1972	22,245	10.7	\$ 636,814	\$ 29
	1971	21,157	9.9	589,573	28
From Autos	1972	34,814	16.8	\$ 5,503,858	\$158
	1971	36,338	16.9	5,017,347	138
Auto Parts & Accessories	1972	31,534	15.2	\$ 2,306,531	\$ 73
	1971	36,443	17.0	2,655,640	73
Bicycles	1972	33,208	16.0	\$ 1,953,732	\$ 59
	1971	36,157	16.8	1,757,584	49
From Buildings	1972	33,435	16.2	\$ 7,406,305	\$222
	1971	31,288	14.6	7,229,297	231
From Any Coin Operated Machines	1972	4,573	2.2	\$ 156,025	\$ 34
	1971	5,813	2.7	154,555	27
All Other	1972	42,233	20.4	\$13,066,806	\$309
	1971	42,460	19.8	12,422,913	293
TOTAL for Florida	1972	206,960	100.0	\$31,429,254	\$152
	1971	214,659	100.0	30,226,367	141

*Percent Distributions may not total 100.0 due to rounding.