

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 a motor vehicle, larceny of motor vehicle 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.

Starting in 1973, larcenies under \$50 in value were considered an Index Crime. To facilitate comparison the under \$50 larcenies have been added to the 1972 figures.

1972--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 206,960 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1972.

Reported larcenies accounted for 56.9 percent of crimes against property and 53.0 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 2,781.1 per 100,000 population.

There were 38,781 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 18.7 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 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 \$31,429,740. This constitutes 28.8 percent of the total value of property stolen.

1973--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 234,263 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1973.

Reported larcenies accounted for 54.7 percent of crimes against property and 51.2 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 2,986.1 per 100,000 population.

There were 43,817 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 18.7 percent statewide.

The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for larceny, 8.5 percent, occurred in the 16 year old age category. Males accounted for 65.8 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.

62.4 percent of all persons arrested for larceny were White, 37.1 percent were Negro, and 0.4 percent were of other races.

During the year 1973, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$42,807,947. This constitutes 28.7 percent of the total value of property stolen.

1974--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 318,707 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1974.

Reported larcenies accounted for 58.7 percent of crimes against property and 53.3 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 3,863.7 per 100,000 population.

There were 59,814 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 18.8 percent statewide.

The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for larceny, 8.0 percent, occurred in the 16 year old age category. Males accounted for 67.2 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.

63.0 percent of all persons arrested for larceny were White, 36.7 percent were Negro, and 0.2 percent were of other races.

During the year 1974, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$60,360,989. This constitutes 30.0 percent of the total value of property stolen.

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1972-1974

Classification	Year	Number of Offenses	Percent of Distribution*	Total Values	Average Value
Pocket-Picking	1972	1,434	0.7	\$ 153,474	\$107
	1973	1,552	0.7	169,043	109
	1974	2,100	0.7	273,551	130
Purse Snatching	1972	3,484	1.7	245,809	71
	1973	4,197	1.8	363,591	87
	1974	5,627	1.8	463,141	82
Shoplifting	1972	22,245	10.4	639,412	29
	1973	25,909	11.1	766,504	30
	1974	35,206	11.0	982,526	28
From Motor Vehicles	1972	34,814	16.8	5,504,587	158
	1973	40,157	17.1	6,677,883	166
	1974	56,794	17.8	10,987,464	193
Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories	1972	31,534	15.2	2,306,531	73
	1973	30,417	13.0	2,341,093	77
	1974	39,110	12.2	3,528,679	90
Bicycles	1972	33,208	16.0	1,953,732	59
	1973	36,412	15.5	2,328,148	64
	1974	55,932	17.5	4,080,098	73
From Buildings	1972	33,435	16.2	7,428,638	222
	1973	39,587	16.9	9,331,758	236
	1974	49,020	15.4	13,146,073	268
From Any Coin Operated Machines	1972	4,573	2.2	156,025	34
	1973	4,997	2.1	234,156	47
	1974	5,727	1.8	267,168	47
All Other	1972	42,233	20.4	13,068,012	309
	1973	51,035	21.8	20,595,771	404
	1974	69,191	21.7	26,632,289	385
TOTAL for Florida	1972	206,960	100.0	\$31,456,220	\$152
	1973	234,263	100.0	42,807,947	183
	1974	318,707	100.0	60,360,989	189

*Percent Distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

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