

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.

1975--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 354,256 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1975.

Reported larcenies accounted for 60.3 percent of nonviolent crimes and 54.9 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 4,175.0 per 100,000 population.

There were 69,624 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 19.7 percent statewide.

The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for larceny, 8.2 percent, occurred in the 16 year old age category. Males accounted for 67.5 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.

63.4 percent of all persons arrested for larceny were white, 36.3 percent were Negro, and 0.3 percent were of other races.

During the year 1975, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$68,597,490. This constitutes 30.3 percent of the total value of property stolen.

1976--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 342,570 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1976.

Reported larcenies accounted for 64.0 percent of nonviolent crimes and 58.1 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 4,005.8 per 100,000 population.

There were 62,017 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 18.1 percent statewide.

The age group of 25 to 29 years was responsible for 9.7 percent of persons arrested for larceny. Males accounted for 67.5 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.

62.1 percent of all persons arrested for larceny were white, 37.0 percent were Negro, and 0.9 percent were of other races.

During the year 1976, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$65,984,003. This constitutes 34.4 percent of the total value of property stolen.

1977--SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 324,121 larcenies were reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1977.

Reported larcenies accounted for 63.4 percent of nonviolent crimes and 57.0 percent of all index offenses reported.

The larceny rate for Florida for the year amounted to 3,718.1 per 100,000 population.

There were 61,939 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. This represents a clearance rate of 19.1 percent statewide.

The age group of 25 to 29 years was responsible for 9.5 percent of persons arrested for larceny. Males accounted for 66.3 percent of persons arrested for all categories of larceny.

63.8 percent of all persons arrested for larceny were white, 35.5 percent were Negro, and 0.7 percent were of other races.

During the year 1977, the value of property stolen in actual offenses of larceny totaled \$63,845,443. This constitutes 32.4 percent of the total value of property stolen.

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1973-1977

Classification	Year	Number of Offenses	Percent Change Over Previous Year	Total Value	Average Value*
Pocket-Picking	1973	1,552	—	\$ 169,043	\$109
	1974	2,100	+35.3	273,551	130
	1975	2,520	+20.0	315,733	125
	1976	2,507	-0.5	302,357	121
	1977	2,707	+8.0	312,754	116
Purse Snatching	1973	4,197	—	363,591	87
	1974	5,627	+34.0	463,141	82
	1975	5,515	-2.0	519,646	94
	1976	4,263	-22.7	435,431	102
	1977	4,280	+0.4	469,871	110
Shoplifting	1973	25,909	—	766,504	30
	1974	35,206	+35.9	982,526	28
	1975	40,786	+15.8	1,065,112	26
	1976	40,484	-0.7	1,276,655	32
	1977	39,925	-1.4	1,345,242	34
From Motor Vehicles	1973	40,157	—	6,677,883	166
	1974	56,794	+41.4	10,987,464	193
	1975	64,939	+14.3	13,621,589	210
	1976	65,474	+0.8	13,269,381	203
	1977	54,406	-16.9	10,973,161	202
Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories	1973	30,417	—	2,341,093	77
	1974	39,110	+28.6	3,528,679	90
	1975	52,537	+34.3	5,055,424	96
	1976	64,806	+23.4	8,224,322	127
	1977	54,774	-15.5	6,641,951	121
Bicycles	1973	36,412	—	2,328,148	64
	1974	55,932	+53.6	4,080,098	73
	1975	51,718	-7.5	3,909,110	76
	1976	38,323	-25.9	3,159,024	82
	1977	37,365	-2.5	3,176,776	85
From Buildings	1973	39,587	—	9,331,758	236
	1974	49,020	+23.8	13,146,073	268
	1975	53,332	+8.8	14,553,729	273
	1976	46,758	-12.3	13,419,885	287
	1977	44,471	-4.9	12,162,550	273
From Any Coin Operated Machines	1973	4,997	—	234,156	47
	1974	5,727	+14.6	267,168	47
	1975	5,953	+3.9	429,324	72
	1976	4,665	-21.6	229,120	49
	1977	4,115	-11.8	224,777	55
All Other	1973	51,035	—	20,595,771	404
	1974	69,191	+35.6	26,632,289	385
	1975	76,956	+11.2	29,127,823	378
	1976	75,290	-2.2	25,667,828	341
	1977	82,078	+9.0	28,538,361	348
TOTAL for Florida	1973	234,263	—	\$42,807,947	\$183
	1974	318,707	+36.0	60,360,989	189
	1975	354,256	+11.2	68,597,490	194
	1976	342,570	-3.3	65,984,003	193
	1977	324,121	-5.4	63,845,443	197

*Includes attempts where no property was stolen.

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