

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

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1987—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 81,274 motor vehicle thefts was reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida during 1987.

Motor vehicle thefts made up 9.0 percent of all nonviolent crimes and 8.0 percent of all index offenses reported.

The statewide motor vehicle theft rate for the year amounted to 674.8 per 100,000 population.

There were 16,864 motor vehicle thefts cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, representing a clearance rate of 20.7 percent statewide.

The age group responsible for the highest percentage of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, 12.8 percent,

occurred in the 25-29 age category. Of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft 89.8 percent were males.

Of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, 57.6 percent were white, 42.2 percent were black and 0.3 percent were of other races.

The average value of a motor vehicle theft during the reporting period was \$5,030.

Motor vehicles reported stolen totaled \$408,834,162; \$254,818,773 was recovered which constitutes a 62.3 percent recovery rate in value.

ANALYSIS BY TYPE OF THEFT 1985-1987

Classification	Year	Number	Percent Change Over Previous Year	Percent Cleared
Autos	1985	44,281	31.5	19.8
	1986	53,389	20.6	20.4
	1987	63,220	18.4	20.6
Trucks and Buses	1985	8,533	21.9	20.4
	1986	9,673	13.4	22.6
	1987	11,281	16.6	21.8
Motorcycles	1985	5,941	11.2	20.6
	1986	5,541	- 6.7	20.5
	1987	5,455	- 1.6	20.3
Other	1985	971	15.0	20.2
	1986	1,208	24.4	24.0
	1987	1,318	9.1	19.0
TOTAL for Florida	1985	59,726	27.5	20.0
	1986	69,811	16.9	20.8
	1987	81,274	16.4	20.7