

Queensland

In 2004-05, there was a decrease in both the total number of Offences Against the Person (4%) and the total number of Offences Against Property (10%) reported in 2004-05 compared with the number reported in the previous financial year.

There was a 2% increase in Assault, however there were decreases in Homicide (Murder), Other Homicides, Sexual Assault, Robbery, and Other Offences Against the Person.

The 10% reduction in Offences Against Property was the result of reductions in all Property Security categories including Unlawful Entry (12%), Arson (1%), Other Property Damage (2%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (6%), Other Theft (11%), Fraud (15%), and Handling Stolen Goods (17%).

Selected Other Offences differ from Offences Against the Person and Property as these offences are primarily detected and reported by police, as opposed to being reported by community members. Thus, a change in the number of offences could be influenced by shifting levels of police activity in response to identified problems and issues in local communities. In 2004-05, increases were reported in the following offence categories: Drug offences (1%); Liquor offences (13%); Breach of Domestic Violence Protection Orders (6%); Good Order offences (6%), Stock Related offences (62%), Drink Driving (8%), and Other Traffic Offences (32%). Decreases were reported for Prostitution offences (50%) and Weapons Act offences (13%).

Regions

For Far Northern Region, there were increases in Sexual Assaults (4%) and Robbery (18%). There were decreases in Homicide (70%), Other Homicide (11%), Assault (1%) and Other Offences Against the Person (33%), totalling a 7% decrease in overall Offences Against the Person. There were increases in Arson (2%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (8%) and Fraud (78%), and decreases in Unlawful Entry (8%), Other Property Damage (5%) Other Theft (10%), and Handling Stolen Goods (1%). The result was a 1% decrease for Offences Against Property.

Offences Against the Person decreased by 6% for Northern Region, including 19% in Other Homicide, 7% in Sexual Assaults, 16% in Robbery and 43% in Other Offences Against the Person. However, there were increases in Homicide (Murder) (67%) and Assaults (9%). The Region experienced a 10% reduction in all Offences Against Property due to decreases in all offences in this category.

Central Region experienced a 17% decrease in total Sexual Assaults, however there were increases in the following: Homicide (Murder) (33%), Other Homicide (14%), Assault (4%), Robbery (25%) and Other Offences Against the Person (30%) totalling a 3% increase overall for Offences Against the Person. The Region experienced a 12% decrease in Offences Against Property. Decreases occurred in Unlawful Entry (15%), Other Property Damage (6%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (9%), Other Theft (15%) and Handling Stolen Goods (31%).

For North Coast Region, decreases in Homicide (Murder) (35%), Other Homicide (25%), Sexual Assault (16%), Robbery (26%) and Other Offences Against the Person (5%) contributed to a 6% decrease in total Offences Against the Person. There were increases in Arson (6%) and Fraud (15%), however, reductions in Unlawful Entry (11%), Other Property Damage (5%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (6%), Other Theft (11%) and Handling Stolen Goods (11%) resulted in an overall 8% decrease in total Offences Against Property.

Southern Region experienced a 3% increase in total Offences Against the Person. There were increases in Homicide (Murder) (133%), Assault (3%), Sexual Assaults (8%), and Robbery (14%). There was a decrease in Other Homicide (22%) and similarly a decrease in Other Offences Against the Person (2%). A 44% decrease in Fraud was predominantly responsible for an overall 13% decrease in total Offences Against Property.

There were increases in Homicide (Murder) (57%), and Robbery (3%) in South Eastern Region. However, an overall 5% reduction in Offences Against the Person was attributed to decreases in Other Homicide (5%), Assault (1%), Sexual Assault (14%) and Other Offences Against the Person (12%). Total Offences Against Property decreased by 10%, due to reductions in all categories with the exception of increases in Arson (6%) and Other Property Damage (1%).

Metropolitan North Region experienced a decrease of 5% in Offences Against the Person with decreases in Other Homicide (18%), Sexual Assault (14%) and Robbery (28%). There was an increase in Other Offences Against the Person (1%). There was a 12% decrease in total Offences Against Property. Of particular note were decreases in Handling Stolen Goods (23%) and Fraud (19%).

Metropolitan South Region recorded decreases in all person offence categories with the exception of Assault with a 2% increase. The result was an overall decrease of 4% in total Offences Against the Person. There was a 2% increase in both Other Property Damage and Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle. Overall, the total number of Offences Against Property decreased by 11% with decreases in Handling Stolen Goods (29%) and Fraud (20%).

* Other Offences Against the Person includes the offence categories of Extortion, Kidnapping & Abduction etc. and Other Offences Against the Person.

^ Other Homicide includes the offence categories of Attempted Murder, Conspiracy to Murder, Manslaughter (excl. by driving) and Driving Causing Death.

Notes:

- Percentage of cleared offences refers to the percentage of offences reported and cleared within the same statistical period (2004-05).
- The offence aggregate Offences Against Property includes the following offence categories: Unlawful Entry; Arson; Other Property Damage; Unlawful Use of a Motor Vehicle; Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry); Fraud; and Handling Stolen Goods.
- Figures for the rate of offences per 100,000 population have been rounded. Therefore, offence subtotals may not add to the total for each of the three aggregate categories of offences.
- Due to rounding, region totals may not add to the Queensland total.
- Offences detected or under investigation involving covert operations or sensitive issues such as child abuse are not geographically classified until after the completion of all inquiries to ensure strict confidentiality. For this reason, a temporary holding geographical classification, the Drug Enforcement Region, has been created. Offences classified to this area are included only in Queensland offence counts in this report.

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Personal Safety

Homicide (Murder)	53	1	50	4	94	-13
Other Homicide^	138	3	128	24	93	-18
Assault	19268	486	14713	1814	76	2
Sexual Assault	5507	139	3766	748	68	-10
Robbery	1800	45	824	109	46	-8
Other Offences Against the Person*	5426	137	3396	711	63	-11
Offences Against the Person	32192	811	22877	3411	71	-4

Property Security

Unlawful Entry	52913	1334	9243	2034	17	-12
Arson	1488	38	288	38	19	-1
Other Property Damage	43462	1095	11613	1385	27	-2
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	13432	339	3448	595	26	-6
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	95426	2405	24549	3476	26	-11
Fraud	25522	643	16165	4746	63	-15
Handling Stolen Goods	6084	153	5867	121	96	-17
Offences Against Property	238327	6006	71173	12395	30	-10

Selected Other Offences

Drug Offences	45127	1137	-	-	-	1
Liquor Offences	3736	94	-	-	-	13
Prostitution Offences	480	12	-	-	-	-50
Stock Related Offences	310	8	-	-	-	62
Drink Driving	29596	746	-	-	-	8
Other Traffic Offences	12917	326	-	-	-	32
Breach Domestic Violence Protection Order	9492	239	-	-	-	6
Weapons Act Offences	4029	102	-	-	-	-13
Good Order Offences	32551	820	-	-	-	6



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Far Northern

Homicide (Murder)	3	1	3	.	100	-70
Other Homicide^	8	3	8	2	100	-11
Assault	2389	1001	1989	191	83	-1
Sexual Assault	582	244	435	67	75	4
Robbery	124	52	61	3	49	18
Other Offences Against the Person*	540	226	423	106	78	-33
Offences Against the Person	3646	1528	2919	369	80	-7
Unlawful Entry	3559	1492	909	132	26	-8
Arson	52	22	15	4	29	2
Other Property Damage	2858	1198	1064	108	37	-5
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	530	222	241	15	45	8
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	5846	2450	1564	180	27	-10
Fraud	2067	866	1384	135	67	78
Handling Stolen Goods	455	191	444	5	98	-1
Offences Against Property	15367	6440	5621	579	37	-1

Northern

Homicide (Murder)	5	2	5	.	100	67
Other Homicide^	13	5	12	.	92	-19
Assault	2270	902	1855	194	82	9
Sexual Assault	515	205	341	94	66	-7
Robbery	81	32	55	7	68	-16
Other Offences Against the Person*	478	190	287	121	60	-43
Offences Against the Person	3362	1336	2555	416	76	-6
Unlawful Entry	4169	1657	1050	168	25	-9
Arson	62	25	26	3	42	-18
Other Property Damage	3180	1264	915	141	29	-14
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	619	246	254	43	41	-31
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	6436	2558	1710	199	27	-6
Fraud	1249	496	945	122	76	-14
Handling Stolen Goods	320	127	301	11	94	-16
Offences Against Property	16035	6373	5201	687	32	-10

Central

Homicide (Murder)	4	1	3	1	75	33
Other Homicide^	16	5	15	1	94	14
Assault	1838	541	1572	176	86	4
Sexual Assault	642	189	489	61	76	-17
Robbery	79	23	49	4	62	25
Other Offences Against the Person*	532	156	355	41	67	30
Offences Against the Person	3111	915	2483	284	80	3
Unlawful Entry	3151	927	839	113	27	-15
Arson	72	21	30	.	42	6
Other Property Damage	3361	989	1218	132	36	-6
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	476	140	201	30	42	-9
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	6214	1828	1972	212	32	-15
Fraud	1700	500	1251	143	74	2
Handling Stolen Goods	353	104	344	25	97	-31
Offences Against Property	15327	4508	5855	655	38	-12

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North Coast

Homicide (Murder)	11	2	11	1	100	-35
Other Homicide [^]	21	3	19	5	90	-25
Assault	3200	441	2410	343	75	0
Sexual Assault	1001	138	674	174	67	-16
Robbery	172	24	76	16	44	-26
Other Offences Against the Person*	997	137	679	149	68	-5
Offences Against the Person	5402	745	3869	688	72	-6
Unlawful Entry	8293	1144	1454	507	18	-11
Arson	302	42	50	12	17	6
Other Property Damage	7409	1022	1801	267	24	-5
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1996	275	575	115	29	-6
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	15956	2201	4317	792	27	-11
Fraud	3849	531	2110	441	55	15
Handling Stolen Goods	905	125	869	16	96	-11
Offences Against Property	38710	5339	11176	2150	29	-8

Southern

Homicide (Murder)	7	2	7	.	100	133
Other Homicide [^]	21	5	19	10	90	-22
Assault	2211	492	1819	233	82	3
Sexual Assault	745	166	540	103	72	8
Robbery	143	32	74	11	52	14
Other Offences Against the Person*	757	168	494	80	65	-2
Offences Against the Person	3884	864	2953	437	76	3
Unlawful Entry	4804	1069	1076	209	22	-11
Arson	232	52	76	3	33	-2
Other Property Damage	4795	1067	1196	159	25	6
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1090	242	304	54	28	-9
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	8260	1837	2481	327	30	-9
Fraud	2729	607	1806	2223	66	-44
Handling Stolen Goods	562	125	537	12	96	-3
Offences Against Property	22472	4999	7476	2987	33	-13

South Eastern

Homicide (Murder)	11	2	10	.	91	57
Other Homicide [^]	20	3	19	.	95	-5
Assault	2920	407	1975	298	68	-1
Sexual Assault	834	116	518	84	62	-14
Robbery	416	58	172	22	41	3
Other Offences Against the Person*	743	103	421	64	57	-12
Offences Against the Person	4944	688	3115	468	63	-5
Unlawful Entry	11033	1536	1298	346	12	-8
Arson	436	61	39	5	9	6
Other Property Damage	7991	1113	1614	223	20	1
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	3828	533	716	132	19	-6
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	21310	2967	4451	770	21	-12
Fraud	4873	678	2985	714	61	-23
Handling Stolen Goods	1279	178	1229	12	96	-11
Offences Against Property	50750	7066	12332	2202	24	-10

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Metropolitan North

Homicide (Murder)	6	1	5	.	83	0
Other Homicide^	14	2	14	2	100	-18
Assault	2385	405	1647	161	69	0
Sexual Assault	579	98	354	67	61	-14
Robbery	329	56	134	20	41	-28
Other Offences Against the Person*	715	121	363	80	51	1
Offences Against the Person	4028	684	2517	330	62	-5
Unlawful Entry	8055	1368	1239	259	15	-14
Arson	126	21	29	6	23	5
Other Property Damage	7115	1209	2300	163	32	-4
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	2096	356	507	84	24	-4
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	16714	2840	4579	468	27	-13
Fraud	5382	914	3761	475	70	-19
Handling Stolen Goods	1204	205	1171	17	97	-23
Offences Against Property	40692	6913	13586	1472	33	-12

Metropolitan South

Homicide (Murder)	6	1	6	2	100	-50
Other Homicide^	25	4	22	4	88	-31
Assault	2055	313	1446	218	70	2
Sexual Assault	609	93	415	98	68	-17
Robbery	456	69	203	26	45	-5
Other Offences Against the Person*	664	101	374	70	56	-5
Offences Against the Person	3815	581	2466	419	65	-4
Unlawful Entry	9849	1501	1378	300	14	-17
Arson	206	31	23	5	11	-19
Other Property Damage	6753	1029	1505	192	22	2
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	2797	426	650	122	23	2
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	14690	2239	3475	528	24	-10
Fraud	3670	559	1923	493	52	-20
Handling Stolen Goods	1006	153	972	23	97	-29
Offences Against Property	38971	5939	9926	1663	25	-11

