

Crime Statistics

Queensland

There was a 5% increase in the total number of Offences Against the Person reported in 2005-06 compared with the number reported in the previous year. Offences Against Property decreased by 2%.

The State exhibited decreases in Other Homicide and Other Offences Against the Person of 16% and 8% respectively. Contributing to the overall 5% increase seen in Offences Against the Person were increases in Homicide (Murder) (6%), Assault (4%), Sexual Assault (21%) and Robbery (9%).

The 2% reduction in Offences Against Property included reductions in Unlawful Entry (5%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (11%), Other Theft (2%), Fraud (3%) and Handling Stolen Goods (8%). Arson and Other Property Damage increased by 2% and 4% respectively.

Selected Other Offences differ from Offences Against the Person and Property in that offences are generally detected by police rather than reported to police by members of the community. 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 2005-06, increases were reported in all of the Other Offence categories.

Regions

For Far Northern Region, increases in Assaults (15%) and Sexual Assaults (17%) contributed to an overall 10% increase in total Offences Against the Person. Reductions in Unlawful Entry (6%), Fraud (55%), Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry) (4%) and Handling Stolen Goods (29%) resulted in the Region experiencing a 10% decrease in Offences Against Property.

Offences Against the Person increased by 2% for Northern Region, including a 40% increase in Homicide (Murder), a 7% increase in Assaults and a 15% increase in Robbery. Decreases in Other Homicide (36%), Other Offences Against the Person (19%) and Sexual Assaults (1%) contributed to the low percentage increase. The Region experienced a 5% increase in total Offences Against Property; Unlawful Entry increased by 11%, Other Property Damage increased by 11%, Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle increased by 9% and Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry) increased by 1%.

Central Region experienced a 6% increase in total Offences Against the Person largely due to a 75% increase in Homicide (Murder), a 12% increase in Sexual Assault and a 26% increase in Other Offences Against the Person. The Region experienced an overall 1% decrease in Offences Against Property. Decreases occurred in Unlawful Entry (4%), Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry) (4%) and Handling Stolen Goods (9%).

For North Coast Region, increases in Other Homicide (24%), Assault (3%), Sexual Assault (41%) and Robbery (34%) contributed to a 5% increase in total Offences Against the Person. Reductions in all categories except for Other Property Damage (which recorded a 7% increase) resulted in an overall 3% decrease in total Offences Against Property.

Despite reductions in Other Homicide (43%), Assault (5%) and Other Offences Against the Person (9%), Southern Region experienced a 2% increase in total Offences Against the Person. Increases in Sexual Assaults (33%) and Robbery (3%) contributed to this. A 7% decrease in Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle and a 36% decrease in Fraud were predominantly responsible for an overall 4% decrease in total Offences Against Property.



Increases in Other Homicide (50%), Sexual Offences (17%) and Robbery (7%) were responsible for the overall 2% increase in total Offences Against the Person in South Eastern Region. Total Offences Against Property decreased by 3%, due to reductions in all categories except Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry) which remained constant when compared to the previous reporting period.

Metropolitan North Region experienced a 12% increase in the total number of Offences Against the Person. Despite decreases in Other Homicide (36%) and Other Offences Against the Person (9%) there was a 3% decrease in total Offences Against Property. Of particular note were decreases in Unlawful Entry (6%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicles (17%) and Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry) (4%).

Metropolitan South Region recorded a 2% increase in total Offences Against the Person. Of particular note was a 14% increase in Sexual Assault. Total Offences Against Property remained constant. Decreases in Unlawful Entry (10%), Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle (15%) and Other Theft (8%) were offset by increases in Fraud (52%), Arson (30%), Other Property Damage (7%) and Handling Stolen Goods (2%).

These explanatory notes refer to **information on pages 64-67**.

- * 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 (2005-06).
- 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)	55	1	52	4	95	6
Other Homicide^	122	3	113	16	93	-16
Assault	19835	491	15583	2022	79	4
Sexual Assault	6558	162	4820	867	73	21
Robbery	1980	49	981	121	50	9
Other Offences Against the Person*	4920	122	3179	618	65	-8
Offences Against the Person	33470	828	24728	3650	74	5

Property Security

Unlawful Entry	50159	1241	9496	2464	19	-5
Arson	1506	37	270	37	18	2
Other Property Damage	45521	1126	12305	1664	27	4
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	11905	295	3331	648	28	-11
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	93101	2304	25515	3467	27	-2
Fraud	25015	619	16407	3975	66	-3
Handling Stolen Goods	5631	139	5436	98	97	-8
Offences Against Property	232838	5761	72760	12353	31	-2

Selected Other Offences

Drug Offences	48360	1197	-	-	-	7
Liquor Offences	4876	121	-	-	-	30
Prostitution Offences	600	15	-	-	-	25
Stock Related Offences	817	20	-	-	-	159
Drink Driving	30621	758	-	-	-	3
Other Traffic Offences	14080	348	-	-	-	9
Breach Domestic Violence Protection Order	9529	236	-	-	-	2
Weapons Act Offences	4144	103	-	-	-	3
Good Order Offences	36079	893	-	-	-	11



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Far Northern

Homicide (Murder)	3	1	3	2	100	0
Other Homicide^	9	4	8	3	89	-18
Assault	2723	1126	2293	179	84	15
Sexual Assault	701	290	552	109	79	17
Robbery	95	39	49	9	52	-25
Other Offences Against the Person*	504	209	386	55	77	-10
Offences Against the Person	4035	1668	3291	358	82	10
Unlawful Entry	3345	1383	906	148	27	-6
Arson	70	29	27	-	39	35
Other Property Damage	2966	1226	1091	116	37	4
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	561	232	277	28	49	7
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	5610	2319	1601	163	29	-4
Fraud	925	382	646	432	70	-55
Handling Stolen Goods	326	135	313	6	96	-29
Offences Against Property	13803	5706	4861	893	35	-10

Northern

Homicide (Murder)	7	3	7	-	100	40
Other Homicide^	9	3	6	1	67	-36
Assault	2416	937	2042	213	85	7
Sexual Assault	513	199	361	79	70	-1
Robbery	92	36	55	7	60	15
Other Offences Against the Person*	365	141	254	80	70	-19
Offences Against the Person	3402	1320	2725	380	80	2
Unlawful Entry	4638	1799	1088	165	23	11
Arson	72	28	27	2	38	7
Other Property Damage	3520	1366	1056	106	30	11
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	671	260	266	19	40	9
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	6486	2516	1698	191	26	1
Fraud	1106	429	734	179	66	-13
Handling Stolen Goods	401	156	386	8	96	25
Offences Against Property	16894	6554	5255	670	31	5

Central

Homicide (Murder)	7	2	6	1	86	75
Other Homicide^	8	2	8	1	100	-50
Assault	1789	517	1519	149	85	-2
Sexual Assault	710	205	570	64	80	12
Robbery	74	21	51	7	69	-5
Other Offences Against the Person*	686	198	486	59	71	26
Offences Against the Person	3274	946	2640	281	81	6
Unlawful Entry	3014	871	810	166	27	-4
Arson	95	27	37	2	39	34
Other Property Damage	3585	1035	1173	138	33	7
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	472	136	237	35	50	0
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	5959	1721	1797	238	30	-4
Fraud	1766	510	1113	337	63	0
Handling Stolen Goods	320	92	310	6	97	-9
Offences Against Property	15211	4393	5477	922	36	-1

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North Coast

Homicide (Murder)	8	1	8	-	100	-27
Other Homicide^	26	4	24	1	92	24
Assault	3219	435	2587	504	80	3
Sexual Assault	1371	185	1019	203	74	41
Robbery	235	32	124	14	53	34
Other Offences Against the Person*	713	96	505	145	71	-28
Offences Against the Person	5572	752	4267	867	77	5
Unlawful Entry	7368	995	1551	546	21	-11
Arson	270	36	52	6	19	-9
Other Property Damage	8069	1089	2649	507	33	7
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1653	223	531	100	32	-17
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	15856	2140	4589	628	29	-1
Fraud	3928	530	3010	1634	77	-4
Handling Stolen Goods	825	111	802	16	97	-9
Offences Against Property	37969	5125	13184	3437	35	-3

Southern

Homicide (Murder)	7	2	6	-	86	0
Other Homicide^	13	3	13	4	100	-43
Assault	2092	454	1682	209	80	-5
Sexual Assault	962	209	749	123	78	33
Robbery	149	32	76	12	51	3
Other Offences Against the Person*	664	144	448	79	67	-9
Offences Against the Person	3887	843	2974	427	77	2
Unlawful Entry	4777	1037	1205	253	25	0
Arson	169	37	28	3	17	-27
Other Property Damage	5109	1109	1424	166	28	7
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1013	220	275	57	27	-7
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	8243	1789	2439	310	30	0
Fraud	1736	377	1178	334	68	-36
Handling Stolen Goods	453	98	437	10	96	-19
Offences Against Property	21500	4665	6986	1133	32	-4

South Eastern

Homicide (Murder)	10	1	10	-	100	-9
Other Homicide^	30	4	29	1	97	50
Assault	2865	391	2002	311	70	-1
Sexual Assault	927	126	642	99	69	17
Robbery	455	62	216	24	47	7
Other Offences Against the Person*	689	94	423	56	61	-4
Offences Against the Person	4976	679	3322	491	67	2
Unlawful Entry	10593	1445	1243	380	12	-4
Arson	425	58	34	14	8	-2
Other Property Damage	7855	1071	1962	245	25	-2
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	3429	468	636	152	19	-10
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	21319	2908	5318	774	25	0
Fraud	4393	599	2673	376	61	-11
Handling Stolen Goods	1077	147	1014	19	94	-16
Offences Against Property	49091	6696	12880	1960	26	-3

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Metropolitan North

Homicide (Murder)	5	1	4	1	80	0
Other Homicide^	9	2	9	-	100	-36
Assault	2685	449	1976	213	74	14
Sexual Assault	689	115	473	99	69	21
Robbery	429	72	222	20	52	30
Other Offences Against the Person*	642	107	308	77	48	-9
Offences Against the Person	4459	746	2992	411	67	12
Unlawful Entry	7567	1265	1432	384	19	-6
Arson	135	23	28	4	21	8
Other Property Damage	7212	1206	1577	188	22	1
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1736	290	537	140	31	-17
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	16084	2689	4765	630	30	-4
Fraud	5675	949	3987	348	70	5
Handling Stolen Goods	1201	201	1175	19	98	-1
Offences Against Property	39610	6623	13501	1713	34	-3

Metropolitan South

Homicide (Murder)	8	1	8	-	100	33
Other Homicide^	18	3	16	5	89	-31
Assault	2046	309	1482	244	72	1
Sexual Assault	685	103	454	91	66	14
Robbery	451	68	188	28	42	-2
Other Offences Against the Person*	657	99	369	67	56	1
Offences Against the Person	3865	583	2517	435	65	2
Unlawful Entry	8857	1337	1261	422	14	-10
Arson	270	41	37	6	14	30
Other Property Damage	7204	1087	1373	198	19	7
Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	2370	358	572	117	24	-15
Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)	13544	2044	3308	533	24	-8
Fraud	5486	828	3066	335	56	52
Handling Stolen Goods	1028	155	999	14	97	2
Offences Against Property	38759	5850	10616	1625	27	0

