

Operation Safe Community - Monthly Crime Trend Report

Shelby County - TIBRS¹ GROUP A OFFENSES

January 1 - March 31, 2006-2011

Selected Offenses of Interest

Offense Type	2006	2007	% Change 2006-07	2008	% Change 2006-08	2009	% Change 2006-09	2010	% Change 2006-10	2011	% Change 2010-11	% Change 2006-11
Murder	32	34	6.3%	38	18.8%	32	0.0%	23	-28.1%	24	4.3%	-25.0%
Forcible Rape ²	94	99	5.3%	124	31.9%	81	-13.8%	115	22.3%	101	-12.2%	7.4%
Aggravated Assault	1,853	1,866	0.7%	1,704	-8.0%	1,876	1.2%	1,473	-20.5%	1,629	10.6%	-12.1%
Robbery	1,268	1,074	-15.3%	1,028	-18.9%	1,010	-20.3%	688	-45.7%	675	-1.9%	-46.8%
MAJOR VIOLENT CRIM	3,247	3,073	-5.4%	2,894	-10.9%	2,999	-7.6%	2,299	-29.2%	2,429	5.7%	-25.2%
Burglary	3,973	3,576	-10.0%	3,818	-3.9%	3,312	-16.6%	2,764	-30.4%	2,763	0.0%	-30.5%
Theft Offenses	8,568	8,315	-3.0%	8,638	0.8%	7,879	-8.0%	6,531	-17.1%	5,831	-10.7%	-31.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	1,649	1,618	-1.9%	1,383	-16.1%	1,097	-33.5%	937	-43.2%	676	-27.9%	-59.0%
MAJOR PROPERTY CR	14,190	13,509	-4.8%	13,839	-2.5%	12,288	-13.4%	10,232	-27.9%	9,270	-9.4%	-34.7%
Simple Assault	5,928	6,103	3.0%	6,030	1.7%	5,968	0.7%	6,205	4.7%	5,978	-3.7%	0.8%
Drug/Narcotic Violations ³	1,898	2,113	11.3%	1,639	-13.6%	1,862	-1.9%	1,789	-5.7%	1,670	-6.7%	-12.0%
Weapon Law Violations ³	494	494	0.0%	425	-14.0%	489	-1.0%	403	-18.4%	339	-15.9%	-31.4%

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Memphis Police Department - TIBRS¹ GROUP A OFFENSES

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Murder	32	33	3.1%	35	9.4%	31	-3.1%	22	-31.3%	23	4.5%	-28.1%
Forcible Rape ²	86	89	3.5%	104	20.9%	66	-23.3%	102	18.6%	96	-5.9%	11.6%
Aggravated Assault	1,704	1,727	1.3%	1,553	-8.9%	1,690	-0.8%	1,341	-21.3%	1,499	11.8%	-12.0%
Robbery	1,229	1,041	-15.3%	1,008	-18.0%	974	-20.7%	654	-46.8%	653	-0.2%	-46.9%
MAJOR VIOLENT CRIM	3,051	2,890	-5.3%	2,700	-11.5%	2,761	-9.5%	2,119	-30.5%	2,271	7.2%	-25.6%
Burglary	3,539	3,222	-9.0%	3,429	-3.1%	2,940	-16.9%	2,408	-32.0%	2,484	3.2%	-29.8%
Theft Offenses	7,682	7,423	-3.4%	7,722	0.5%	7,117	-7.4%	5,803	-18.5%	5,323	-8.3%	-30.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	1,512	1,487	-1.7%	1,272	-15.9%	1,018	-32.7%	852	-43.7%	613	-28.1%	-59.5%
MAJOR PROPERTY CR	12,733	12,132	-4.7%	12,423	-2.4%	11,075	-13.0%	9,063	-28.8%	8,420	-7.1%	-33.9%
Simple Assault	5,206	5,328	2.3%	5,304	1.9%	5,325	2.3%	5,574	7.1%	5,399	-3.1%	3.7%
Drug/Narcotic Violations ³	1,367	1,571	14.9%	1,153	-15.7%	1,479	8.2%	1,470	7.5%	1,446	-1.6%	5.8%
Weapon Law Violations ³	426	417	-2.1%	361	-15.3%	419	-1.6%	350	-17.8%	302	-13.7%	-29.1%

END NOTES

1. TIBRS is the Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System, which was developed and is maintained by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. All state and local law enforcement agencies must report crime data to TIBRS on a monthly basis.
2. TIBRS reports Forcible Rape as "Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth)." In contrast, the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) defines Forcible rape as "The carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. Included are rapes by force and attempts or assaults to rape. Statutory offenses (no force used - victim under the age of consent) are excluded. " Therefore, the TIBRS figures will normally be greater than the UCR figures.
3. Caution should be used in interpreting data presented in these categories. Many of the offenses contained in these categories are often the result of police-initiated actions and not the result of citizen reports of criminal activity. As a result, increases in many of the offenses may be due to increased police operations, enhanced directed patrol activity, and offender round-ups following undercover operations, while decreases may reflect the end of such operations.