



# REGIONAL PROFILE 2008

## **CAPITAL REGION**

### **REGIONAL POLICING**

- Capital Region is policed by four independent municipal police forces, and the RCMP. The four areas with independent police forces are Victoria, Saanich, Central Saanich, and Oak Bay. The RCMP provides municipal police services to Colwood, Langford, North Saanich, Sooke, Sidney and View Royal while the RCMP Provincial Force polices the rural areas of West Shore, Sidney, Sooke, Saltspring Island and Outer Gulf Islands.
- In 2008, there were 545 members assigned to police this area: 435 policed independent municipal force areas; 85 policed RCMP municipal areas, and 25 policed the region's rural areas.
- A case load of 54 Criminal Code offences per member was recorded for Capital Region in 2008. This was 11% less than the member workload of 61 recorded in 2007. The region's 2008 case load was lower than the provincial case load of 67.
- In 2008, the total population of the region was 364,109; the population served per member was 668.

### **REGIONAL CRIME TRENDS**

- Police in BC record criminal activity using Statistics Canada's Uniform Crime Reporting Survey. Criminal Code offences are used in police workload and crime rate calculations. They include violent, property, and other Criminal Code crimes.
- In 2008, 29,639 Criminal Code offences were recorded within the region. This was a 7% decrease from the 31,897 recorded in 2007.
- In 2008, Capital recorded a crime rate of 81, lower than the provincial crime rate of 96, and 9% less than the region's 2007 crime rate of 89 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 3,351 violent crimes were reported, a 4% increase from the 3,233 recorded in 2007. The 2008 Capital Region violent crime rate increased 2% to 9.2 violent crimes per 1,000 population. The region's 2008 violent crime rate was lower than the provincial violent crime rate of 11.4 violent offences per 1,000 population.
- The volume of Level 1 Assaults (common assault) is the major driver of the violent crime rate. In 2008, 2,122 common assaults were reported within the region, a 1% increase from the 2,097 reported in 2007. The 2008 Capital common assault rate remained stable at 5.8 offences per 1,000 population. The region's 2008 common assault rate was lower than the provincial common assault rate of 6.7 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 14,687 property crimes were recorded within the region, a 13% decrease from the 16,979 reported in 2007. The 2008 Capital property crime rate was 40 property crimes per 1,000 population, a 15% decrease from the 2007 rate of 47. The region's 2008 property crime rate was lower than the provincial property crime rate of 45 property offences per 1,000 population.



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### **REGIONAL CRIME TRENDS** Cont'd

- Motor vehicle theft includes the theft or attempted theft of automobiles, trucks, motorcycles and other motorized vehicles. In 2008, 1,031 motor vehicle thefts were reported within the region, a 15% decrease from the 1,215 reported in 2007. The 2008 Capital Region motor vehicle theft rate was 2.8 offences per 1,000 population, an 18% decrease from the 2007 rate of 3.4. The region's 2008 motor vehicle theft rate was lower than the provincial motor vehicle theft rate of 5.2 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 11,601 other crimes were reported within the region, a 1% decline from the 11,685 reported in 2007. The 2008 Capital other crime rate was 32 other crimes per 1,000 population, a 3% drop from the 2007 rate of 33. The region's 2008 other crime rate was lower than the provincial other crime rate of 39 other offences per 1,000 population.
- Not included in crime rate and case load calculations are drug crimes which include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, and other CSDA drug offences. In 2008, 1,582 drug crimes were reported within the region, a 5% drop from the 1,658 reported in 2007. The 2008 Capital drug crime rate was 4.3 offences per 1,000 population, a 7% decrease from the 2007 rate of 4.6. The region's 2008 drug crime rate was lower than the provincial drug crime rate of 6.3 offences per 1,000 population.

### **REGIONAL POPULATION**

- In 2008, Census estimates indicated that the population for the region was 364,109, a 1% increase from the 2007 population of 358,739.
- Over the past ten years, the population for the region has increased 8%, from 337,005 in 1999 to 364,107 in 2008.



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REGION SUMMARY	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>337,005</b>	<b>336,525</b>	<b>340,030</b>	<b>343,730</b>	<b>347,980</b>	<b>351,948</b>	<b>357,953</b>	<b>355,871</b>	<b>358,739</b>	<b>364,109</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>545</b>
Case Load	78	70	67	67	70	68	66	66	61	54
Population Served Per Member	698	687	680	685	700	702	702	684	689	668
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	4,133	3,805	3,861	3,786	3,751	3,293	3,245	3,194	3,233	3,351
Crime Rate	12.3	11.3	11.4	11.0	10.8	9.4	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.2
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	21,285	18,303	17,883	18,288	18,309	19,178	18,964	19,413	16,979	14,687
Crime Rate	63	54	53	53	53	54	53	55	47	40
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	12,193	12,173	11,747	11,535	12,872	11,460	11,397	11,816	11,685	11,601
Crime Rate	36	36	35	34	37	33	32	33	33	32
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>37,611</b>	<b>34,281</b>	<b>33,491</b>	<b>33,609</b>	<b>34,932</b>	<b>33,931</b>	<b>33,606</b>	<b>34,423</b>	<b>31,897</b>	<b>29,639</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	1,366	1,478	1,826	1,574	1,848	1,626	1,563	1,526	1,658	1,582
Crime Rate	4.1	4.4	5.4	4.6	5.3	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.6	4.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	2,709	2,468	2,570	2,575	2,526	2,080	2,078	1,888	2,097	2,122
Crime Rate	8.0	7.3	7.6	7.5	7.3	5.9	5.8	5.3	5.8	5.8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	1,219	751	1,180	952	1,031	1,134	897	1,312	1,215	1,031
Crime Rate	3.6	2.2	3.5	2.8	3.0	3.2	2.5	3.7	3.4	2.8
<b>DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>15,710</b>	<b>15,824</b>	<b>16,018</b>	<b>16,103</b>	<b>16,211</b>	<b>16,347</b>	<b>16,628</b>	<b>16,005</b>	<b>16,053</b>	<b>16,218</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
Case Load	44	41	37	36	35	35	39	34	40	32
Population Served Per Member	748	754	763	767	772	778	792	762	764	737
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	89	78	78	69	68	61	78	56	81	62
Crime Rate	5.7	4.9	4.9	4.3	4.2	3.7	4.7	3.5	5.0	3.8
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	412	400	356	315	308	344	393	358	377	325
Crime Rate	26	25	22	20	19	21	24	22	23	20
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	414	373	352	378	360	334	339	307	375	324
Crime Rate	26	24	22	23	22	20	20	19	23	20
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>851</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>711</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	67	75	82	75	38	33	31	28	55	21
Crime Rate	4.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	2.3	2.0	1.9	1.7	3.4	1.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	58	61	60	52	51	40	57	34	46	39
Crime Rate	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.2	3.1	2.4	3.4	2.1	2.9	2.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	17	9	10	14	8	10	12	16	19	16
Crime Rate	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	1.0

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CITY OF COLWOOD	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	14,439	14,375	14,345	14,502	14,600	14,768	15,057	15,260	15,582	16,012
<b>Police Strength</b>	15	15	15	15	15	15	16	16	16	16
Case Load	80	74	65	73	78	72	68	87	80	64
Population Served Per Member	963	958	956	967	973	985	941	954	974	1,026
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	115	91	80	112	96	89	83	79	92	106
Crime Rate	8.0	6.3	5.6	7.7	6.6	6.0	5.5	5.2	5.9	6.6
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	588	481	416	485	473	445	476	698	633	468
Crime Rate	41	33	29	33	32	30	32	46	41	29
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	504	540	482	496	601	551	524	613	554	422
Crime Rate	35	38	34	34	41	37	35	40	36	26
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>996</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	45	44	38	44	48	79	82	45	34	37
Crime Rate	3.1	3.1	2.6	3.0	3.3	5.3	5.4	2.9	2.2	2.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	78	69	55	88	69	65	63	51	68	76
Crime Rate	5.4	4.8	3.8	6.1	4.7	4.4	4.2	3.3	4.4	4.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	32	20	24	31	40	43	33	71	67	47
Crime Rate	2.2	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.7	2.9	2.2	4.7	4.3	2.9
<b>CITY OF LANGFORD</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	19,175	19,450	19,660	20,274	20,986	21,585	22,565	23,669	24,912	26,249
<b>Police Strength</b>	23	23	24	24	24	24	24	25	25	26
Case Load	105	104	99	101	102	105	101	120	115	103
Population Served Per Member	834	846	819	845	874	899	940	947	996	1,008
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	248	236	221	228	209	249	249	270	271	279
Crime Rate	12.9	12.1	11.2	11.2	10.0	11.5	11.0	11.4	10.9	10.6
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	1,188	1,070	1,180	1,141	1,144	1,208	1,192	1,431	1,416	1,255
Crime Rate	62	55	60	56	55	56	53	60	57	48
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	977	1,085	973	1,050	1,094	1,059	985	1,289	1,186	1,154
Crime Rate	51	56	49	52	52	49	44	54	48	44
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>2,413</b>	<b>2,391</b>	<b>2,374</b>	<b>2,419</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,516</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>2,873</b>	<b>2,688</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>102</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	119	81	123	100	141	174	151	116	105	115
Crime Rate	6.2	4.2	6.3	4.9	6.7	8.1	6.7	4.9	4.2	4.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	180	177	171	166	163	211	191	147	202	190
Crime Rate	9.4	9.1	8.7	8.2	7.8	9.8	8.5	6.2	8.1	7.2
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	59	36	59	58	89	112	106	156	154	121
Crime Rate	3.1	1.9	3.0	2.9	4.2	5.2	4.7	6.6	6.2	4.6



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DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>10,858</b>	<b>10,838</b>	<b>10,890</b>	<b>10,977</b>	<b>11,107</b>	<b>11,186</b>	<b>11,349</b>	<b>10,923</b>	<b>10,844</b>	<b>11,061</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
Case Load	55	53	59	53	51	43	38	38	37	41
Population Served Per Member	1,357	1,355	1,361	1,220	1,234	1,243	1,135	993	986	1,006
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	31	31	42	31	29	32	28	39	22	24
Crime Rate	2.9	2.9	3.9	2.8	2.6	2.9	2.5	3.6	2.0	2.2
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	196	198	207	221	216	189	177	179	183	200
Crime Rate	18	18	19	20	19	17	16	16	17	18
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	210	192	219	228	210	164	172	200	203	230
Crime Rate	19	18	20	21	19	15	15	18	19	21
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>454</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	18	20	41	21	32	65	33	44	44	55
Crime Rate	1.7	1.8	3.8	1.9	2.9	5.8	2.9	4.0	4.1	5.0
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	28	26	35	22	23	25	22	25	17	18
Crime Rate	2.6	2.4	3.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	1.9	2.3	1.6	1.6
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	7	6	11	11	7	7	7	7	12	10
Crime Rate	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.9
<b>DISTRICT OF OAK BAY</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>18,559</b>	<b>18,488</b>	<b>18,573</b>	<b>18,683</b>	<b>18,753</b>	<b>18,853</b>	<b>18,917</b>	<b>18,040</b>	<b>17,970</b>	<b>18,085</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
Case Load	44	42	42	41	60	58	53	42	41	38
Population Served Per Member	844	840	844	849	852	857	860	820	817	786
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	62	49	68	42	63	47	41	30	49	42
Crime Rate	3.3	2.7	3.7	2.2	3.4	2.5	2.2	1.7	2.7	2.3
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	608	549	509	506	823	708	753	570	516	460
Crime Rate	33	30	27	27	44	38	40	32	29	25
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	299	334	341	362	437	511	377	313	341	362
Crime Rate	16	18	18	19	23	27	20	17	19	20
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>1,323</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>864</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	35	26	49	46	49	24	18	18	20	24
Crime Rate	1.9	1.4	2.6	2.5	2.6	1.3	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	43	35	48	31	46	29	25	18	21	30
Crime Rate	2.3	1.9	2.6	1.7	2.5	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	25	14	26	10	18	18	19	26	27	21
Crime Rate	1.3	0.8	1.4	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.5	1.2

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AREA POLICED AS OUTER GULF ISLANDS PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>3,397</b>	<b>3,367</b>	<b>4,791</b>	<b>4,870</b>	<b>4,945</b>	<b>5,003</b>	<b>5,119</b>	<b>4,986</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>5,090</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
Case Load	90	59	60	56	54	54	55	57	55	45
Population Served Per Member	849	842	1,198	1,218	1,236	1,251	1,280	1,247	1,252	1,273
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	19	14	11	29	43	38	31	27	18	19
Crime Rate	5.6	4.2	2.3	6.0	8.7	7.6	6.1	5.4	3.6	3.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	236	131	128	105	100	83	92	90	100	77
Crime Rate	70	39	27	22	20	17	18	18	20	15
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	104	89	100	91	73	94	98	109	100	83
Crime Rate	31	26	21	19	15	19	19	22	20	16
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>179</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	8	10	14	23	25	17	20	18	7	2
Crime Rate	2.4	3.0	2.9	4.7	5.1	3.4	3.9	3.6	1.4	0.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	12	8	6	23	32	27	22	23	14	15
Crime Rate	3.5	2.4	1.3	4.7	6.5	5.4	4.3	4.6	2.8	2.9
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	4	2	3	2	3	2	4	1	4	2
Crime Rate	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.4
<b>DISTRICT OF SAANICH</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>107,373</b>	<b>107,402</b>	<b>108,199</b>	<b>109,189</b>	<b>110,715</b>	<b>111,554</b>	<b>112,664</b>	<b>111,575</b>	<b>111,308</b>	<b>113,209</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>149</b>
Case Load	58	50	44	42	44	44	43	43	40	39
Population Served Per Member	807	790	784	774	785	775	766	759	757	760
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	731	758	656	665	617	517	589	536	490	532
Crime Rate	6.8	7.1	6.1	6.1	5.6	4.6	5.2	4.8	4.4	4.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	4,701	3,792	3,561	3,408	3,626	3,961	3,649	3,836	3,487	3,016
Crime Rate	44	35	33	31	33	36	32	34	31	27
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	2,344	2,249	1,923	1,893	1,908	1,814	2,032	1,937	1,945	2,294
Crime Rate	22	21	18	17	17	16	18	17	17	20
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>7,776</b>	<b>6,799</b>	<b>6,140</b>	<b>5,966</b>	<b>6,151</b>	<b>6,292</b>	<b>6,270</b>	<b>6,309</b>	<b>5,922</b>	<b>5,842</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	270	265	372	308	400	240	289	274	278	237
Crime Rate	2.5	2.5	3.4	2.8	3.6	2.2	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.1
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	483	493	469	496	449	331	392	313	295	330
Crime Rate	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	3.0	3.5	2.8	2.7	2.9
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	285	157	264	200	192	183	151	245	243	215
Crime Rate	2.7	1.5	2.4	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.3	2.2	2.2	1.9



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AREA POLICED AS SALTSRING PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>10,457</b>	<b>10,368</b>	<b>9,383</b>	<b>9,537</b>	<b>9,684</b>	<b>9,797</b>	<b>10,025</b>	<b>9,875</b>	<b>9,920</b>	<b>10,081</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
Case Load	61	80	58	50	73	94	91	76	74	87
Population Served Per Member	1,494	1,481	1,340	1,362	1,383	1,400	1,432	1,234	1,240	1,260
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	66	76	53	56	73	102	97	83	71	53
Crime Rate	6.3	7.3	5.6	5.9	7.5	10.4	9.7	8.4	7.2	5.3
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	201	231	152	159	250	262	257	232	206	203
Crime Rate	19	22	16	17	26	27	26	23	21	20
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	163	250	198	132	189	295	286	294	314	438
Crime Rate	16	24	21	14	20	30	29	30	32	43
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>694</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	38	37	50	42	58	77	71	58	75	35
Crime Rate	3.6	3.6	5.3	4.4	6.0	7.9	7.1	5.9	7.6	3.5
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	52	61	48	47	52	84	77	58	53	41
Crime Rate	5.0	5.9	5.1	4.9	5.4	8.6	7.7	5.9	5.3	4.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	7	9	13	10	19	12	17	27	10	9
Crime Rate	0.7	0.9	1.4	1.0	2.0	1.2	1.7	2.7	1.0	0.9
<b>TOWN OF SIDNEY</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>11,350</b>	<b>11,332</b>	<b>11,404</b>	<b>11,422</b>	<b>11,533</b>	<b>11,535</b>	<b>11,879</b>	<b>11,510</b>	<b>11,596</b>	<b>11,544</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Case Load	65	54	61	49	46	47	46	50	47	57
Population Served Per Member	873	872	877	879	887	824	849	822	828	825
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	80	69	76	49	51	60	62	69	61	85
Crime Rate	7.0	6.1	6.7	4.3	4.4	5.2	5.2	6.0	5.3	7.4
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	387	318	346	318	309	333	301	283	267	305
Crime Rate	34	28	30	28	27	29	25	25	23	26
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	376	321	365	265	243	260	276	349	325	407
Crime Rate	33	28	32	23	21	23	23	30	28	35
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>797</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	32	30	59	45	59	62	64	80	87	81
Crime Rate	2.8	2.6	5.2	3.9	5.1	5.4	5.4	7.0	7.5	7.0
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	56	52	51	35	39	44	36	49	48	65
Crime Rate	4.9	4.6	4.5	3.1	3.4	3.8	3.0	4.3	4.1	5.6
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	15	4	29	22	12	13	11	15	16	17
Crime Rate	1.3	0.4	2.5	1.9	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.5

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AREA POLICED AS SIDNEY PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	3,498	3,329	3,061	3,112	3,160	3,197	3,271	3,210	3,225	3,277
<b>Police Strength</b>	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4
Case Load	85	76	54	72	71	78	81	75	68	85
Population Served Per Member	1,166	1,110	1,020	1,037	1,053	1,066	1,090	803	806	819
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	49	46	33	44	69	55	59	62	70	79
Crime Rate	14.0	13.8	10.8	14.1	21.8	17.2	18.0	19.3	21.7	24.1
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	104	109	66	85	70	81	72	62	73	77
Crime Rate	30	33	22	27	22	25	22	19	23	23
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	102	74	63	87	74	97	112	174	128	182
Crime Rate	29	22	21	28	23	30	34	54	40	56
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>338</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>103</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	3	14	8	3	10	21	14	18	23	11
Crime Rate	0.9	4.2	2.6	1.0	3.2	6.6	4.3	5.6	7.1	3.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	41	30	27	26	50	39	41	45	55	62
Crime Rate	11.7	9.0	8.8	8.4	15.8	12.2	12.5	14.0	17.1	18.9
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	3	1	5	2	8	2	5	3	13	11
Crime Rate	0.9	0.3	1.6	0.6	2.5	0.6	1.5	0.9	4.0	3.4
<b>DISTRICT OF SOOKE*</b>										
<b>Population</b>	—	—	—	9,187	9,315	9,581	9,886	10,077	10,562	10,859
<b>Police Strength</b>	—	—	—	4	5	10	10	10	10	10
Case Load	—	—	—	266	196	91	94	109	106	113
Population Served Per Member	—	—	—	2,297	1,863	958	989	1,008	1,056	1,086
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	146	163	118	114	109	129	118
Crime Rate	—	—	—	15.9	17.5	12.3	11.5	10.8	12.2	10.9
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	478	389	363	384	423	397	464
Crime Rate	—	—	—	52	42	38	39	42	38	43
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	441	429	424	439	557	532	552
Crime Rate	—	—	—	48	46	44	44	55	50	51
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	—	—	—	<b>1,065</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>1,134</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	—	—	—	<b>116</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>104</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	51	52	45	48	67	88	99
Crime Rate	—	—	—	5.6	5.6	4.7	4.9	6.6	8.3	9.1
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	120	129	99	95	74	107	83
Crime Rate	—	—	—	13.1	13.8	10.3	9.6	7.3	10.1	7.6
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	—	—	—	35	21	25	25	20	29	23
Crime Rate	—	—	—	3.8	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.0	2.7	2.1

\*Detachment opened in 2002.



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AREA POLICED AS SOOKE PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	12,669	12,663	13,357	4,311	4,377	4,429	4,532	4,490	4,510	4,584
<b>Police Strength</b>	14	14	14	10	9	4	4	4	4	4
Case Load	103	97	98	44	38	90	91	114	85	87
Population Served Per Member	905	905	954	431	486	1,107	1,133	1,123	1,128	1,146
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	194	178	201	40	69	58	58	42	45	39
Crime Rate	15.3	14.1	15.0	9.3	15.8	13.1	12.8	9.4	10.0	8.5
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	746	616	606	273	161	166	176	236	153	197
Crime Rate	59	49	45	63	37	37	39	53	34	43
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	500	563	560	124	114	136	130	179	142	111
Crime Rate	39	44	42	29	26	31	29	40	31	24
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>1,440</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>1,367</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>347</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	44	74	84	27	33	24	19	27	15	26
Crime Rate	3.5	5.8	6.3	6.3	7.5	5.4	4.2	6.0	3.3	5.7
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	148	130	160	32	56	43	46	30	36	33
Crime Rate	11.7	10.3	12.0	7.4	12.8	9.7	10.2	6.7	8.0	7.2
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	29	29	57	19	13	9	12	9	9	20
Crime Rate	2.3	2.3	4.3	4.4	3.0	2.0	2.6	2.0	2.0	4.4
<b>CITY OF VICTORIA</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	93,164	93,168	94,196	95,061	95,729	96,886	98,243	98,384	99,295	99,534
<b>Police Strength</b>	207	211	218	216	211	211	215	221	222	241
Case Load	92	83	82	83	89	82	80	76	69	55
Population Served Per Member	450	442	432	440	454	459	457	445	447	413
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	2,307	2,036	2,245	2,169	2,106	1,764	1,644	1,657	1,730	1,761
Crime Rate	24.8	21.9	23.8	22.8	22.0	18.2	16.7	16.8	17.4	17.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	11,177	9,946	9,871	10,295	9,960	10,341	10,362	10,200	8,540	6,990
Crime Rate	120	107	105	108	104	107	105	104	86	70
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	5,540	5,621	5,662	5,518	6,653	5,254	5,136	4,990	5,042	4,541
Crime Rate	59	60	60	58	69	54	52	51	51	46
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>19,024</b>	<b>17,603</b>	<b>17,778</b>	<b>17,982</b>	<b>18,719</b>	<b>17,359</b>	<b>17,142</b>	<b>16,847</b>	<b>15,312</b>	<b>13,292</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>134</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	600	771	845	745	841	695	670	685	782	791
Crime Rate	6.4	8.3	9.0	7.8	8.8	7.2	6.8	7.0	7.9	7.9
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	1,433	1,234	1,374	1,360	1,298	961	924	937	1,046	1,048
Crime Rate	15.4	13.2	14.6	14.3	13.6	9.9	9.4	9.5	10.5	10.5
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	705	445	649	507	564	647	444	647	564	465
Crime Rate	7.6	4.8	6.9	5.3	5.9	6.7	4.5	6.6	5.7	4.7

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TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	7,234	7,411	7,587	7,931	8,209	8,424	8,864	9,126	9,118	9,301
<b>Police Strength</b>	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Case Load	103	86	79	78	71	90	88	96	86	87
Population Served Per Member	904	926	948	991	1,026	1,053	1,108	1,141	1,140	1,114
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	72	69	43	55	46	39	41	62	52	74
Crime Rate	10.0	9.3	5.7	6.9	5.6	4.6	4.6	6.8	5.7	8.0
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	376	291	269	290	276	409	388	449	360	388
Crime Rate	52	39	35	37	34	49	44	49	39	42
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	374	327	322	276	244	273	272	260	278	266
Crime Rate	52	44	42	35	30	32	31	28	30	29
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>728</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	53	19	30	31	34	37	27	27	31	21
Crime Rate	7.3	2.6	4.0	3.9	4.1	4.4	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	46	44	33	40	34	34	33	36	48	43
Crime Rate	6.4	5.9	4.3	5.0	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.9	5.3	4.6
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	21	11	17	20	28	26	26	40	31	26
Crime Rate	2.9	1.5	2.2	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.9	4.4	3.4	2.8
<b>AREA POLICED AS WEST SHORE PROV</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Population</b>	9,122	8,510	8,566	8,571	8,656	8,803	8,954	8,741	8,836	9,005
<b>Police Strength</b>	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Case Load	144	80	91	91	99	109	116	137	109	115
Population Served Per Member	1,824	1,702	1,713	1,714	1,731	1,761	1,791	1,748	1,767	1,801
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	70	74	54	51	49	64	71	73	52	78
Crime Rate	7.7	8.7	6.3	6.0	5.7	7.3	7.9	8.4	5.9	8.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	365	171	216	209	204	285	292	366	271	262
Crime Rate	40	20	25	24	24	32	33	42	31	29
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	286	155	187	194	243	194	219	245	220	235
Crime Rate	31	18	22	23	28	22	24	28	25	26
<b>Total Criminal Code</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>575</b>
<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	34	12	31	13	28	33	26	21	14	27
Crime Rate	3.7	1.4	3.6	1.5	3.2	3.7	2.9	2.4	1.6	3.0
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	51	48	33	37	35	48	54	48	41	49
Crime Rate	5.6	5.6	3.9	4.3	4.0	5.5	6.0	5.5	4.6	5.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	10	8	13	11	9	25	25	29	17	28
Crime Rate	1.1	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.0	2.8	2.8	3.3	1.9	3.1



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## **ENDNOTES**

- <sup>1</sup> Drug crimes include heroin, cocaine, cannabis and other CDSA drug offences. These data are not included in Total Criminal Code offences.
- <sup>2</sup> Motor Vehicle Theft includes four UCR crime categories: Auto Theft, Truck Theft, Motorcycle Theft, and Other Motor Vehicle Theft, e.g. snowmobiles, all terrain vehicles, motorized farming and industrial vehicles. Motor Vehicle Theft is included in Property Crimes.

## **DATA QUALIFIERS**

1. Police strengths represent an areas authorized police strength as of December 31st of each calendar year as submitted annually to Police Services Division.
2. Case burdens are defined as the number of Criminal Code offences per authorized police strength. They represent the workload per officer, and as a result, are a better indicator of the demand for police services that either an area's population base or its crime rate. The total number of Criminal Code offences and the authorized police strength as of December 31st of each calendar year are used for case burden calculations.
3. Total Criminal Code includes property, violent and other crimes. Property crimes include the offences of break and enter, theft, motor vehicle theft, possession of stolen property and fraud. Violent crimes include the offences of homicide, attempted murder, sexual and non-sexual assault, abduction and robbery. Other crimes include Criminal Code offences not classified as either violent or property crimes, e.g., prostitution, gaming & betting, weapons, bail violations, counterfeit currency, vandalism, etc.
4. The crime data contained in this report have been recorded by the police on the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR). Offences are scored according to the UCR Scoring Rules. If a single criminal incident contains a number of violations of the law, then only the most serious one is recorded for UCR purposes. Number of offences represents only those crimes reported to, or discovered by police which, upon preliminary investigation, have been deemed to have occurred or been attempted; this data does not represent or imply a count of the number of charges laid, prosecutions conducted, informations sworn or convictions obtained.
5. Crime Rate is defined as the number of offences per 1,000 population. The population figures utilized for crime rate calculations are based on the results of Canada Census which is conducted every five years. The most recent Canada Census occurred in 2006. Population figures reflect the permanent residential or "late night" population of a municipality and do not include part-time populations, i.e., commuters, students, tourists and other part-time residents.
6. The data contained in this report may vary when compared with previous reports produced by Police Services Division. Where variances occur, the report produced at the latest date will reflect the most current data available.

**SOURCES:** Crime Data: Uniform Crime Reporting Survey, CCJS, Statistics Canada;  
Population Data: BCStats, Ministry of Labour and Citizens' Services, Province of British Columbia  
Police Data: HRMIS Report, RCMP "E" Division.

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