



# REGIONAL PROFILE 2008

## **THOMPSON NICOLA REGION**

### **REGIONAL POLICING**

- Thompson Nicola Region is policed by RCMP detachments located in Ashcroft, Barriere, Chase, Clearwater, Clinton, Logan Lake, Lytton, Kamloops and Merritt. The RCMP provides municipal police services to the Cities of Kamloops and Merritt while the RCMP Provincial Force polices the region's unincorporated or rural areas.
- In 2008, there were 186 RCMP members assigned to police the region: 137 members directly policed the Cities of Kamloops and Merritt while 49 were responsible for policing the region's unincorporated areas.
- A case load of 81 Criminal Code offences per RCMP member was recorded for Thompson Nicola Region in 2008. This was 22% less than the member workload of 104 recorded in 2007. The region's 2008 case load was higher than the provincial case load of 67.
- In 2008, the total population of the region was 133,510; the population served per member was 718.

### **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, 15,143 Criminal Code offences were recorded within the region. This was a 20% drop from the 18,919 recorded in 2007.
- In 2008, Thompson Nicola recorded a crime rate of 113, higher than the provincial crime rate of 96, but 22% less than the region's 2007 crime rate of 145 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 2,052 violent crimes were reported by the RCMP, an 8% decrease from the 2,232 recorded in 2007. The 2008 Thompson Nicola violent crime rate was 15.4 violent crimes per 1,000 population, a 10% decrease from the 2007 rate of 17.1. The region's 2008 violent crime rate was higher 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, 1,209 common assaults were reported within the region, a 23% decrease from the 1,565 reported in 2007. The 2008 Thompson Nicola common assault rate was 9.1 offences per 1,000 population, a 24% decrease from the 2007 rate of 12.1. The region's 2008 common assault rate was higher than the provincial common assault rate of 6.7 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 5,914 property crimes were recorded within the region, a 35% decrease from the 9,054 reported in 2007. The Thompson Nicola property crime rate in 2008 was 44 property crimes per 1,000 population, a 36% decrease from the 2007 rate of 69. The region's 2008 property crime rate was slightly 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, 854 motor vehicle thefts were reported within the region, a 25% decrease from the 1,133 reported in 2007. The 2008 Thompson Nicola motor vehicle theft rate was 6.4 offences per 1,000 population, a 26% decrease from the 2007 rate of 8.7. The region's 2008 motor vehicle theft rate was higher than the provincial motor vehicle theft rate of 5.2 offences per 1,000 population.
- In 2008, 7,177 other crimes were reported within the region, a 6% decline from the 7,633 reported in 2007. The 2008 Thompson Nicola other crime rate was 54 other crimes per 1,000 population, a 7% drop from the 2007 rate of 58. The region's 2008 other crime rate was higher 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, 1,099 drug crimes were reported within the region, a 9% decrease from the 1,208 reported in 2007. The 2008 Thompson Nicola drug crime rate was 8.2 offences per 1,000 population, an 11% decrease from the 2007 rate of 9.2. The region's 2008 drug crime rate was higher 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 133,510, a 2% increase from the 2007 population of 130,875.
- Over the past ten years, the population for the region has increased 4%, from 127,884 in 1999 to 133,510 in 2008.



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REGION SUMMARY	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	127,884	127,902	128,791	129,181	129,243	130,458	131,346	128,830	130,875	133,510
<b>Police Strength</b>	154	158	158	158	159	167	176	179	182	186
Case Load	104	104	104	114	120	112	110	106	104	81
Population Served Per Member	830	810	815	818	813	781	746	720	719	718
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	2,169	2,119	2,022	1,860	1,808	1,892	2,005	2,056	2,232	2,052
Crime Rate	17.0	16.6	15.7	14.4	14.0	14.5	15.3	16.0	17.1	15.4
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	8,454	8,152	7,680	9,129	10,549	9,141	9,263	8,916	9,054	5,914
Crime Rate	66	64	60	71	82	70	71	69	69	44
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	5,386	6,098	6,760	7,093	6,685	7,703	8,027	8,016	7,633	7,177
Crime Rate	42	48	52	55	52	59	61	62	58	54
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>16,009</b>	<b>16,369</b>	<b>16,462</b>	<b>18,082</b>	<b>19,042</b>	<b>18,736</b>	<b>19,295</b>	<b>18,988</b>	<b>18,919</b>	<b>15,143</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>113</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	801	802	916	1,061	1,078	1,112	888	878	1,208	1,099
Crime Rate	6.3	6.3	7.1	8.2	8.3	8.5	6.8	6.8	9.2	8.2
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	1,494	1,559	1,457	1,362	1,312	1,334	1,392	1,416	1,565	1,209
Crime Rate	11.7	12.2	11.3	10.5	10.2	10.2	10.6	11.0	12.0	9.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	679	636	631	1,020	1,111	804	797	900	1,133	854
Crime Rate	5.3	5.0	4.9	7.9	8.6	6.2	6.1	7.0	8.7	6.4
<b>AREA POLICED AS ASHCROFT 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>	4,273	4,213	4,161	4,133	4,053	4,162	4,104	3,795	3,871	3,942
<b>Police Strength</b>	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Case Load	107	108	106	95	96	87	96	113	119	102
Population Served Per Member	855	843	832	827	811	832	821	759	774	788
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	79	84	67	55	72	60	55	63	83	62
Crime Rate	18.5	19.9	16.1	13.3	17.8	14.4	13.4	16.6	21.4	15.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	233	228	209	189	231	185	151	191	193	148
Crime Rate	55	54	50	46	57	44	37	50	50	38
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	223	228	253	230	175	192	274	309	317	299
Crime Rate	52	54	61	56	43	46	67	81	82	76
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>509</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>129</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	16	15	20	40	26	30	29	38	86	68
Crime Rate	3.7	3.6	4.8	9.7	6.4	7.2	7.1	10.0	22.2	17.3
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	63	73	57	45	56	42	41	46	61	45
Crime Rate	14.7	17.3	13.7	10.9	13.8	10.1	10.0	12.1	15.8	11.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	19	16	19	17	32	25	16	23	20	26
Crime Rate	4.4	3.8	4.6	4.1	7.9	6.0	3.9	6.1	5.2	6.6

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AREA POLICED AS BARRIERE PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	3,694	3,588	3,457	3,437	3,437	3,494	3,500	3,698	3,730	3,829
<b>Police Strength</b>	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4
Case Load	103	75	75	76	73	65	68	65	73	59
Population Served Per Member	1,231	1,196	1,152	1,146	1,146	1,165	875	925	933	957
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	42	40	35	37	40	32	45	50	41	66
Crime Rate	11.4	11.1	10.1	10.8	11.6	9.2	12.9	13.5	11.0	17.2
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	154	107	99	115	80	105	119	115	91	59
Crime Rate	42	30	29	33	23	30	34	31	24	15
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	112	78	90	75	98	57	107	96	160	109
Crime Rate	30	22	26	22	29	16	31	26	43	28
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>234</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	62	52	57	88	61	43	30	55	67	53
Crime Rate	16.8	14.5	16.5	25.6	17.7	12.3	8.6	14.9	18.0	13.8
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	21	27	25	25	33	25	31	36	29	40
Crime Rate	5.7	7.5	7.2	7.3	9.6	7.2	8.9	9.7	7.8	10.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	4	7	11	8	9	4	8	6	7	8
Crime Rate	1.1	2.0	3.2	2.3	2.6	1.1	2.3	1.6	1.9	2.1
<b>AREA POLICED AS CHASE 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>	8,455	8,424	9,476	9,465	9,480	9,617	9,729	8,608	8,702	8,941
<b>Police Strength</b>	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	9
Case Load	118	99	101	114	111	100	108	84	93	69
Population Served Per Member	1,057	1,053	1,185	1,183	1,185	1,202	1,216	956	967	993
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	109	96	91	105	105	113	106	85	86	101
Crime Rate	12.9	11.4	9.6	11.1	11.1	11.8	10.9	9.9	9.9	11.3
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	511	352	332	367	367	327	352	318	384	217
Crime Rate	60	42	35	39	39	34	36	37	44	24
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	324	347	384	438	415	362	408	350	363	300
Crime Rate	38	41	41	46	44	38	42	41	42	34
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>618</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	73	59	84	89	169	135	91	56	93	82
Crime Rate	8.6	7.0	8.9	9.4	17.8	14.0	9.4	6.5	10.7	9.2
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	86	83	71	62	56	88	77	64	70	60
Crime Rate	10.2	9.9	7.5	6.6	5.9	9.2	7.9	7.4	8.0	6.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	35	32	28	56	59	47	46	37	76	35
Crime Rate	4.1	3.8	3.0	5.9	6.2	4.9	4.7	4.3	8.7	3.9



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AREA POLICED AS CLEARWATER PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>5,466</b>	<b>5,506</b>	<b>4,732</b>	<b>4,705</b>	<b>4,704</b>	<b>4,783</b>	<b>4,791</b>	<b>4,398</b>	<b>4,436</b>	<b>4,554</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Case Load	77	100	89	92	85	74	82	77	74	63
Population Served Per Member	1,093	1,101	946	941	941	957	958	880	887	911
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	41	58	67	41	42	68	70	44	52	50
Crime Rate	7.5	10.5	14.2	8.7	8.9	14.2	14.6	10.0	11.7	11.0
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	174	211	225	260	252	180	143	145	161	116
Crime Rate	32	38	48	55	54	38	30	33	36	25
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	168	229	154	159	129	123	196	197	155	150
Crime Rate	31	42	33	34	27	26	41	45	35	33
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>316</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	35	45	70	72	83	61	60	70	149	127
Crime Rate	6.4	8.2	14.8	15.3	17.6	12.8	12.5	15.9	33.6	27.9
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	28	44	52	25	37	57	53	32	35	27
Crime Rate	5.1	8.0	11.0	5.3	7.9	11.9	11.1	7.3	7.9	5.9
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	8	13	19	11	21	11	14	17	10	12
Crime Rate	1.5	2.4	4.0	2.3	4.5	2.3	2.9	3.9	2.3	2.6

AREA POLICED AS CLINTON PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>2,573</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>2,589</b>	<b>2,548</b>	<b>2,531</b>	<b>2,537</b>	<b>2,492</b>	<b>2,067</b>	<b>2,075</b>	<b>2,138</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	89	66	69	70	55	53	50	45	38	34
Population Served Per Member	643	627	647	637	633	634	623	517	519	535
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	60	36	34	52	28	28	27	26	24	23
Crime Rate	23.3	14.4	13.1	20.4	11.1	11.0	10.8	12.6	11.6	10.8
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	156	105	113	116	97	85	85	76	75	44
Crime Rate	61	42	44	46	38	34	34	37	36	21
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	141	121	127	110	96	97	89	77	52	67
Crime Rate	55	48	49	43	38	38	36	37	25	31
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>134</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	20	25	63	60	30	18	13	13	25	25
Crime Rate	7.8	10.0	24.3	23.5	11.9	7.1	5.2	6.3	12.0	11.7
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	28	29	23	46	22	23	24	21	17	10
Crime Rate	10.9	11.6	8.9	18.1	8.7	9.1	9.6	10.2	8.2	4.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	10	9	9	9	9	8	6	8	6	8
Crime Rate	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.2	2.4	3.9	2.9	3.7

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CITY OF KAMLOOPS	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>80,177</b>	<b>80,431</b>	<b>82,195</b>	<b>82,829</b>	<b>83,010</b>	<b>83,604</b>	<b>84,473</b>	<b>83,129</b>	<b>84,667</b>	<b>86,236</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>124</b>
Case Load	104	107	106	120	134	121	117	110	108	82
Population Served Per Member	794	773	790	796	798	746	716	693	706	695
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	1,334	1,356	1,240	1,104	1,079	1,226	1,198	1,292	1,441	1,311
Crime Rate	16.6	16.9	15.1	13.3	13.0	14.7	14.2	15.5	17.0	15.2
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	5,833	5,974	5,521	6,782	8,215	6,948	7,084	6,615	6,773	4,185
Crime Rate	73	74	67	82	99	83	84	80	80	49
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	3,333	3,823	4,308	4,593	4,645	5,335	5,503	5,317	4,732	4,665
Crime Rate	42	48	52	55	56	64	65	64	56	54
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>11,153</b>	<b>11,069</b>	<b>12,479</b>	<b>13,939</b>	<b>13,509</b>	<b>13,785</b>	<b>13,224</b>	<b>12,946</b>	<b>10,161</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>118</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	415	392	412	479	449	506	403	373	552	588
Crime Rate	5.2	4.9	5.0	5.8	5.4	6.1	4.8	4.5	6.5	6.8
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	941	982	885	792	779	842	802	853	1,003	784
Crime Rate	11.7	12.2	10.8	9.6	9.4	10.1	9.5	10.3	11.8	9.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	475	435	443	797	841	576	596	631	823	546
Crime Rate	5.9	5.4	5.4	9.6	10.1	6.9	7.1	7.6	9.7	6.3
<b>AREA POLICED AS LOGAN LAKE 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>	<b>2,791</b>	<b>2,723</b>	<b>2,742</b>	<b>2,738</b>	<b>2,763</b>	<b>2,767</b>	<b>2,753</b>	<b>2,783</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>2,803</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
Case Load	77	70	76	60	81	77	88	73	76	52
Population Served Per Member	930	908	914	913	921	922	918	928	929	934
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	25	30	24	22	37	13	24	31	28	21
Crime Rate	9.0	11.0	8.8	8.0	13.4	4.7	8.7	11.1	10.1	7.5
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	105	79	109	70	115	118	104	97	82	51
Crime Rate	38	29	40	26	42	43	38	35	29	18
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	101	100	96	87	91	101	136	92	119	85
Crime Rate	36	37	35	32	33	37	49	33	43	30
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>157</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	5	7	10	12	24	29	35	24	11	15
Crime Rate	1.8	2.6	3.6	4.4	8.7	10.5	12.7	8.6	3.9	5.4
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	19	23	17	17	32	8	20	23	24	16
Crime Rate	6.8	8.4	6.2	6.2	11.6	2.9	7.3	8.3	8.6	5.7
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	12	2	5	8	9	21	17	18	15	2
Crime Rate	4.3	0.7	1.8	2.9	3.3	7.6	6.2	6.5	5.4	0.7



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AREA POLICED AS LYTTON PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	1,882	1,960	1,951	1,932	1,909	1,922	1,912	1,877	1,888	1,930
<b>Police Strength</b>	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Case Load	102	111	93	81	63	59	67	87	93	80
Population Served Per Member	471	490	488	483	477	481	478	469	472	483
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	76	71	98	70	51	52	75	74	68	38
Crime Rate	40.4	36.2	50.2	36.2	26.7	27.1	39.2	39.4	36.0	19.7
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	106	119	59	96	62	79	76	90	79	56
Crime Rate	56	61	30	50	32	41	40	48	42	29
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	226	255	214	158	137	106	116	183	224	225
Crime Rate	120	130	110	82	72	55	61	97	119	117
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>319</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>165</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	60	78	43	39	28	24	21	14	30	29
Crime Rate	31.9	39.8	22.0	20.2	14.7	12.5	11.0	7.5	15.9	15.0
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	48	52	73	55	38	27	55	56	48	22
Crime Rate	25.5	26.5	37.4	28.5	19.9	14.0	28.8	29.8	25.4	11.4
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	12	11	4	8	4	13	6	8	9	13
Crime Rate	6.4	5.6	2.1	4.1	2.1	6.8	3.1	4.3	4.8	6.7
<b>CITY OF MERRITT</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>	7,639	7,520	7,396	7,359	7,322	7,372	7,372	7,338	7,488	7,606
<b>Police Strength</b>	11	12	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	13
Case Load	125	115	127	138	102	131	130	136	138	126
Population Served Per Member	694	627	616	613	563	567	567	564	576	585
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	251	213	243	208	189	178	285	212	213	187
Crime Rate	32.9	28.3	32.9	28.3	25.8	24.1	38.7	28.9	28.4	24.6
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	623	536	546	604	564	634	621	633	591	619
Crime Rate	82	71	74	82	77	86	84	86	79	81
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	503	634	738	844	572	893	783	929	989	836
Crime Rate	66	84	100	115	78	121	106	127	132	110
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>1,377</b>	<b>1,383</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>1,656</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>1,689</b>	<b>1,774</b>	<b>1,793</b>	<b>1,642</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>216</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	41	37	58	79	43	106	104	111	95	54
Crime Rate	5.4	4.9	7.8	10.7	5.9	14.4	14.1	15.1	12.7	7.1
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	176	154	168	167	137	132	217	152	134	92
Crime Rate	23.0	20.5	22.7	22.7	18.7	17.9	29.4	20.7	17.9	12.1
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	41	48	40	47	49	31	32	62	60	90
Crime Rate	5.4	6.4	5.4	6.4	6.7	4.2	4.3	8.4	8.0	11.8

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AREA POLICED AS MERRITT PROV	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Population</b>	<b>3,733</b>	<b>3,798</b>	<b>3,868</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>3,909</b>	<b>3,917</b>	<b>3,706</b>	<b>3,738</b>	<b>3,837</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>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Case Load	58	73	84	102	73	84	88	106	75	60
Population Served Per Member	933	950	967	962	962	977	979	927	748	767
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	43	52	45	73	60	40	46	89	70	60
Crime Rate	11.5	13.7	11.6	19.0	15.6	10.2	11.7	24.0	18.7	15.6
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	121	130	151	166	137	139	127	155	129	86
Crime Rate	32	34	39	43	36	36	32	42	35	22
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	66	111	138	168	96	158	180	178	174	153
Crime Rate	18	29	36	44	25	40	46	48	47	40
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>299</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	21	20	29	61	34	67	40	33	26	21
Crime Rate	5.6	5.3	7.5	15.9	8.8	17.1	10.2	8.9	7.0	5.5
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	28	42	27	55	43	31	29	60	41	30
Crime Rate	7.5	11.1	7.0	14.3	11.2	7.9	7.4	16.2	11.0	7.8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	15	12	12	12	13	16	14	29	22	21
Crime Rate	4.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.4	4.1	3.6	7.8	5.9	5.5
<b>AREA POLICED AS T'KUMLUPS 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>	<b>7,201</b>	<b>7,231</b>	<b>6,224</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>6,188</b>	<b>6,291</b>	<b>6,303</b>	<b>7,431</b>	<b>7,494</b>	<b>7,694</b>
<b>Police Strength</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
Case Load	123	94	109	115	128	117	89	107	97	75
Population Served Per Member	1,200	1,205	1,037	1,032	1,031	1,049	788	929	749	769
<b>Violent Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	109	83	78	93	105	82	74	90	126	133
Crime Rate	15.1	11.5	12.5	15.0	17.0	13.0	11.7	12.1	16.8	17.3
<b>Property Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	438	311	316	364	429	341	401	481	496	333
Crime Rate	61	43	51	59	69	54	64	65	66	43
<b>Other Crimes</b>										
Number of Offences	189	172	258	231	231	279	235	288	348	288
Crime Rate	26	24	41	37	37	44	37	39	46	37
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE OFFENCES</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>754</b>
<b>CRIME RATE</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Drug Crimes<sup>1</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	53	72	70	42	131	93	62	91	74	37
Crime Rate	7.4	10.0	11.2	6.8	21.2	14.8	9.8	12.2	9.9	4.8
<b>Assault: Level 1</b>										
Number of Offences	56	50	59	73	79	59	43	73	103	83
Crime Rate	7.8	6.9	9.5	11.8	12.8	9.4	6.8	9.8	13.7	10.8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft<sup>2</sup></b>										
Number of Offences	48	51	41	47	65	52	42	61	85	93
Crime Rate	6.7	7.1	6.6	7.6	10.5	8.3	6.7	8.2	11.3	12.1



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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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