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On September 13, 2010, the Federal Bureau of Investigation released *Crime in the United States 2009*. This annual publication is a compilation of statistics collected by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program, which is a nationwide, cooperative statistical effort of nearly 18,000 city, university and college, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies voluntarily reporting data on crimes brought to their attention. During 2009, law enforcement agencies active in the UCR program represented 96.3 percent of the total population.

Data for Ohio, the East North Central region of the Midwest¹, and the U.S. are summarized below.

Violent Crime. Violent crime includes murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. The overall rate (per 100,000 population) of violent crime in the U.S. decreased 6.1 percent from 2008 to 2009. The East North Central region showed a rate decrease of 4.6 percent. In Ohio, the rate decreased 5.1 percent, from 349.9 per 100,000 population to 332.1 per 100,000 population. Ohio's violent crime rate is lower than the nation's rate of 429.4.

- Murder and non-negligent manslaughter. The murder rate decreased 8.1 percent for the U.S. and increased a slight 0.2 percent in the East North Central region. In Ohio, the murder rate decreased 5.9 percent.
- Forcible rape. Rape decreased 3.5 percent in the U.S. and 5.0 percent in the East North Central region. The rape rate decreased 11.0 percent in Ohio, to a rate of 34.8 per 100,000. Rape has declined each year since 2004, when the rate was 41.4.
- Robbery. Robbery rates decreased 8.8 percent in the U.S. and decreased 5.5 percent in the East North Central region. Ohio showed a decrease of 5.6 percent in robbery to 154.1 per 100,000 population. Ohio's rate is higher than that of the U.S. (133.0) and the region (140.3).
- Aggravated Assault. Aggravated assault rates decreased 5.0 percent in the U.S. and 4.1 percent in the East North Central region. In Ohio, the aggravated assault rate decreased 2.9 percent. Ohio's rate (138.7) is less than that of the region (226.2) and nearly half that of the U.S. (262.8).

Property Crime. Property crime consists of burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft². The property crime rate in the U.S. decreased 5.5 percent, from 3211.5 per 100,000 to 3036.1 per 100,000. In the East North Central region, property crime also decreased 5.5 percent. In Ohio, the overall property crime rate decreased 4.0 percent.

- Burglary. The burglary rate decreased 2.2 percent in the U.S. and decreased 1.0 percent in the East North Central region. In Ohio, the burglary rate increased 1.4 percent to 902.9 per 100,000 population. This rate is higher than that of the U.S. (716.3) and is the highest in the East North Central region.
- Larceny-theft. Larceny-theft rates decreased 4.8 percent in the U.S. and decreased 5.5 percent in the East North Central region. In Ohio, the larceny-theft rate decreased 4.3 percent.

¹ The East North Central region consists of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

² Arson is also considered a property crime; however, the UCR program does not have sufficient data to estimate arson offenses.

- Motor vehicle theft. Motor vehicle theft decreased 17.8 percent in the U.S. and 19.6 percent in the East North Central region. In Ohio, the rate decreased 20.4 percent to 198.3 per 100,000—a rate lower than that of the East North Central region (218.8) and the U.S. (258.8). The rate of motor vehicle theft in Ohio has decreased 45 percent since 2005.
- The following tables display 2008-2009 crime rate changes for the U.S., the East North Central region, Ohio, and Ohio’s largest cities.

Change in crime rate (per 100,000 population) from 2008 to 2009

OFFENSES	OHIO	NATIONAL/REGIONAL
<p align="center">Violent Crime Totals Ohio: Decrease of 5.1%.</p>	<p>Akron: Increase of 1.2% Cincinnati: Decrease of 5.7% Cleveland: Decrease of 2.3% Columbus: Decrease of 9.2% Dayton: Decrease of 7.0% Toledo: Decrease of 2.1% Youngstown: Increase of 18.2%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 6.1%. East North Central: Decrease of 4.6%. All states in this region reported decreases in violent crime, with Wisconsin reporting the largest decrease (-6.7%).</p>
<p align="center">Murder Ohio: Decrease of 5.9%.</p>	<p>Akron: Increase of 17.8% Cincinnati: Decrease of 24.9% Cleveland: Decrease of 14.9% Columbus: Decrease of 24.6% Dayton: Increase of 6.3% Toledo: Increase of 99.9% Youngstown: Decrease of 23.2%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 8.1%. East North Central: Increase of 0.2%. All states in the region reported decreases in the murder rate, with the exception of Michigan. Michigan reported an increase of 13.5%.</p>
<p align="center">Forcible Rape Ohio: Decrease of 11.0%.</p>	<p>Akron: Increase of 13.4% Cincinnati: Decrease of 12.9% Cleveland: Decrease of 11.0% Columbus: Decrease of 7.6% Dayton: Decrease of 12.6% Toledo: Increase of 36.3% Youngstown: Increase of 22.1%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 3.5%. East North Central: Decrease of 5.0%. Ohio reported the largest decrease in the region. One state, Michigan, reported an increase in forcible rape of 1.0%</p>
<p align="center">Robbery Ohio: Decrease of 5.6%.</p>	<p>Akron: Decrease of 9.1% Cincinnati: Decrease of 6.3% Cleveland: Decrease of 5.6% Columbus: Decrease of 6.4% Dayton: Decrease of 3.9% Toledo: Decrease of 3.6% Youngstown: Increase of 27.3%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 8.8% East North Central: Decrease of 5.5%. All states in the region reported comparable decreases in the rate of robbery, from 3.7% to 6.5%.</p>
<p align="center">Aggravated Assault Ohio: Decrease of 2.9%.</p>	<p>Akron: Increase of 7.6% Cincinnati: Decrease of 2.3% Cleveland: Increase of 7.0% Columbus: Decrease of 15.4% Dayton: Decrease of 10.4% Toledo: Decrease of 4.4% Youngstown: Increase of 15.3%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 5.0%. East North Central: Decrease of 4.1%. Decreases were noted in all states in the region except Indiana, which reported a 1.2% increase in the aggravated assault rate.</p>

OFFENSES	OHIO	NATIONAL/REGIONAL
<p>Property Crime Totals Ohio: Decrease of 4.0%.</p>	<p>Akron: Decrease of 2.0% Cincinnati: Increase of 0.2% Cleveland: Decrease of 2.8% Columbus: Increase of 0.1% Dayton: Decrease of 4.7% Toledo: Not available Youngstown: Increase of 7.3%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 5.5% East North Central: Decrease of 5.5%. All states reported a decrease in overall property crime, ranging from 3.7% in Michigan to 7.8% in Illinois.</p>
<p>Burglary Ohio: Increase of 1.4%.</p>	<p>Akron: Decrease of 0.1% Cincinnati: Decrease of 1.0% Cleveland: Increase of 2.4% Columbus: Decrease of 1.8% Dayton: Increase of 1.0% Toledo: Increase of 34.8% Youngstown: Increase of 25.4%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 2.2% East North Central: No change. Decreases were noted in Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin, while Ohio and Michigan reported increases in the burglary rate.</p>
<p>Larceny-Theft Ohio: Decrease of 4.3%.</p>	<p>Akron: Decrease of 3.8% Cincinnati: Increase of 1.2% Cleveland: Increase of 2.7% Columbus: Increase of 5.3% Dayton: Decrease of 1.8% Toledo: Not available Youngstown: Decrease of 4.7%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 4.8% East North Central: Decrease of 5.5%. All states reported a decrease in larceny-theft, ranging from 3.2% in Michigan to 8.2% in Illinois.</p>
<p>Motor Vehicle Theft Ohio: Decrease of 20.4%.</p>	<p>Akron: Increase of 1.5% Cincinnati: Decrease of 3.3% Cleveland: Decrease of 22.9% Columbus: Decrease of 22.0% Dayton: Decrease of 33.3% Toledo: Decrease of 1.3% Youngstown: Decrease of 9.3%</p>	<p>National: Decrease of 17.8%. East North Central: Decrease of 19.6%. All states posted large decreases in motor vehicle theft rates, ranging from 17.5% in Michigan to 23.0% in Wisconsin.</p>
<p>Arson Ohio: not available.</p>	<p>Akron: Decrease of 1.7% Cincinnati: Decrease of 0.7% Cleveland: Decrease of 23.9% Columbus: Decrease of 9.0% Dayton: Increase of 3.2% Toledo: Increase of 24.4% Youngstown: Decrease of 3.3%</p>	<p>Arson data are not available for a regional or national comparison.</p>

