



Virginia Crime Trends 1999 - 2008

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Note

This document presents Virginia index crime and drug arrests rates from two different sources: *Crime In The United States*, by the U.S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) Criminal Justice Research Center. Both agencies use criminal incident reports compiled by the Virginia Department of State Police (VSP) to calculate Virginia crime and arrest rates, but the rates reported by each differ slightly. The differences are largely attributed to:

- (1) Different methodologies used to estimate missing or underreported crime or arrest data.
- (2) Different sources for population data used to calculate rates. FBI uses population estimates calculated by the U.S. Census Bureau. DCJS uses estimates produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia.
- (3) The FBI may "freeze" the crime data later than DCJS resulting in differences in the number of crimes used to calculate the rates.
- (4) Computing differences between mainframe processing at the FBI and PC processing at DCJS may have a small effect.

For valid comparisons, any discussion of Virginia crime and arrest rates versus national rates or rates of the other States use Virginia rates reported by the FBI in *Crime In The U.S.*

Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate, 1999 – 2008

Definitions

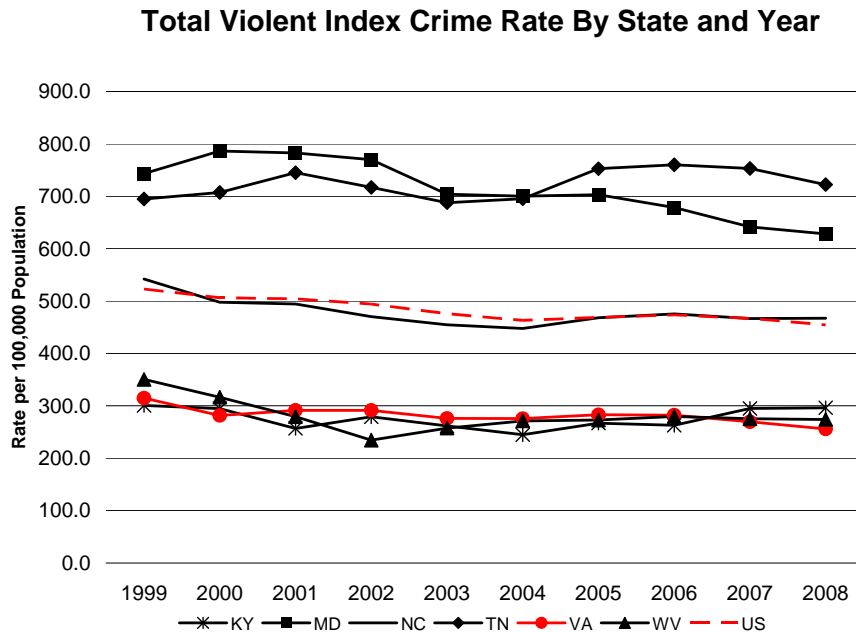
Violent index crimes are murder/nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

- Murder/nonnegligent manslaughter is the willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another.
- Forcible rape is the carnal knowledge of a 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. Forcible rape excludes statutory rape.
- Robbery is the taking, or attempting to take, anything of value under confrontational circumstances from the control, custody or care of another person by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear of immediate harm.
- Aggravated assault is defined as an unlawful attack by one person upon another where the offender uses a weapon or displays it in a threatening manner, or the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness. This also includes assault with disease.

Violent crime rate is the number of violent crimes reported per 100,000 population.

Virginia, U.S. & Border States Violent Index Crime Rate, 1999 – 2008

Source: FBI



Violent crime rates have been trending downward in both Virginia and the U.S. over the last decade. During this time Virginia's violent crime rates have been consistently below national rates and all but two border states.

From 1999 to 2008 the violent crime rate in Virginia decreased by almost 19% and by 13% in the U.S.

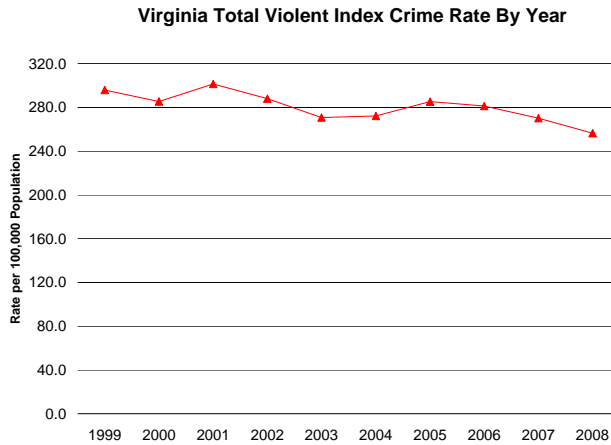
Violent Index Crime Rate		
Percent Change By State and Year		
	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
KY	-1.5	+0.4
MD	-15.5	-2.1
NC	-13.8	+0.2
TN	+4.0	-4.1
VA	-18.7	-5.1
WV	-21.9	-0.5
US	-13.1	-2.7

The violent crime rate in Virginia decreased by 5% from 2007 to 2008 and decreased by almost 3% nationwide.

In 2008 Virginia had the lowest violent crime rate of all shown above. Virginia's 2008 violent crime rate compared to the other 49 states can be found in Appendix D.

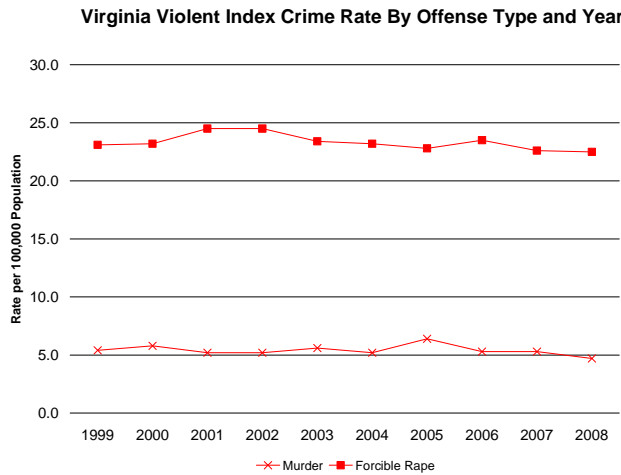
Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate by Offense Type, 1999-2008

Source: DCJS



	Percent Change	
	1999-2008	2007-2008
Total Violent Index Crime Rate	-13.3	-5.1

Total violent index crime rates decreased from 1999 to 2008 and from 2007 to 2008.

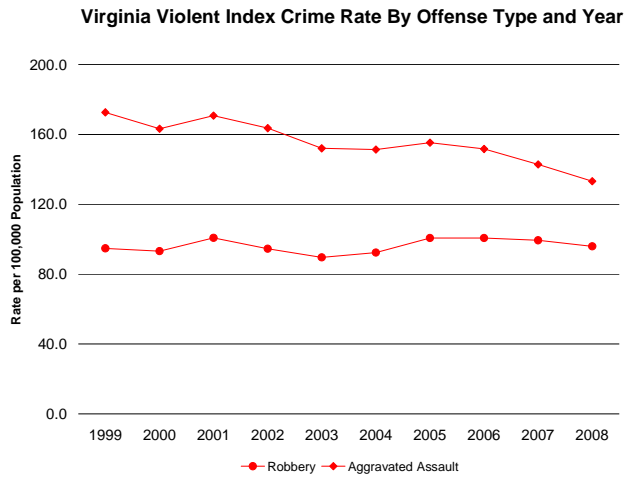


	Percent Change	
	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
Murder Rate	-13.0	-11.3
Forcible Rape Rate	-2.6	-0.4

Murder and forcible rape offense rates both decreased from 1999 to 2008 and from 2007 to 2008.

Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate by Offense Type, 1999-2008

Source: DCJS



	Percent Change	
	1999 - 2008	2007- 2008
Robbery Rate	+1.3	-3.4
Aggravated Assault Rate	-22.9	-6.8

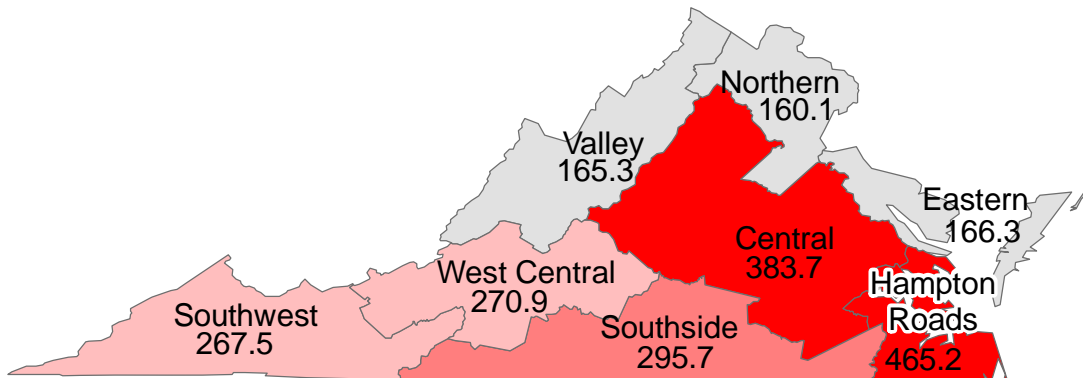
Robbery was the only violent offense rate that increased over the 10-year period 1999 to 2008. However, the robbery crime rate decreased from 2007 to 2008.

The aggravated assault rate declined from 1999 to 2008 and from 2007 to 2008. Aggravated assault was the violent offense with the largest rate decrease.

Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate by Region, 1999-2008

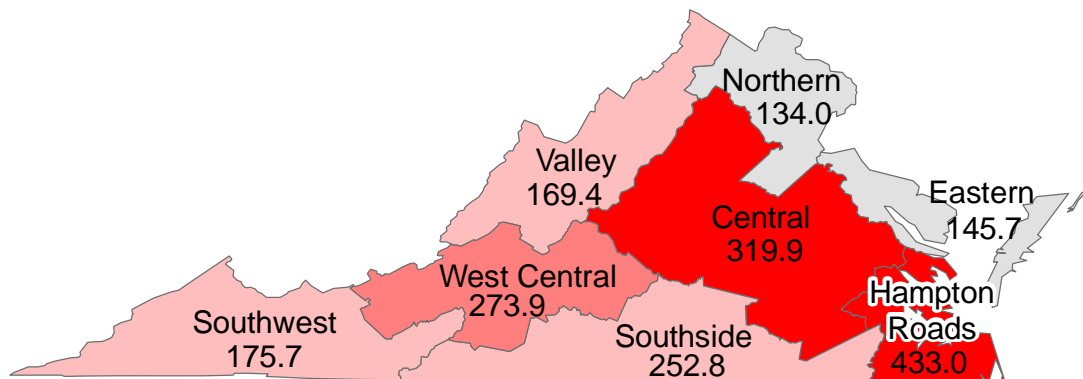
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1999



In 1999 the statewide violent index crime rate was 295.9.

2008



In 2008 the statewide violent index crime rate was 256.4, a 13% decrease from 1999.

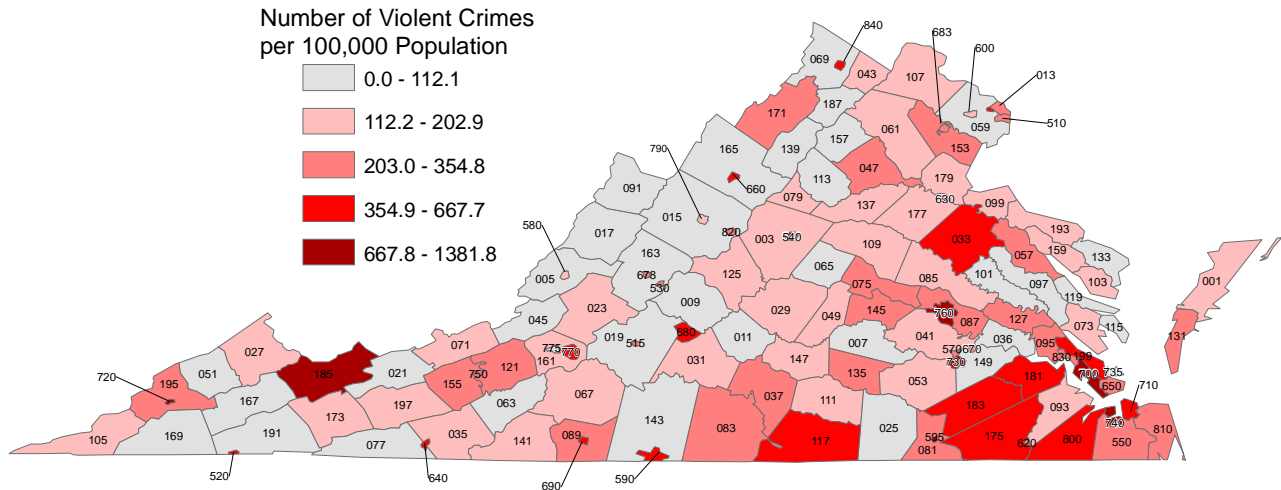
From 1999 to 2008 the violent index crime rate declined in all regions of Virginia except the Valley and West Central regions.

The Hampton Roads region had the highest violent index crime rate in 1999 and 2008. The Northern region had the lowest violent index crime rate in 1999 and 2008.

Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate by Locality, 1999-2008

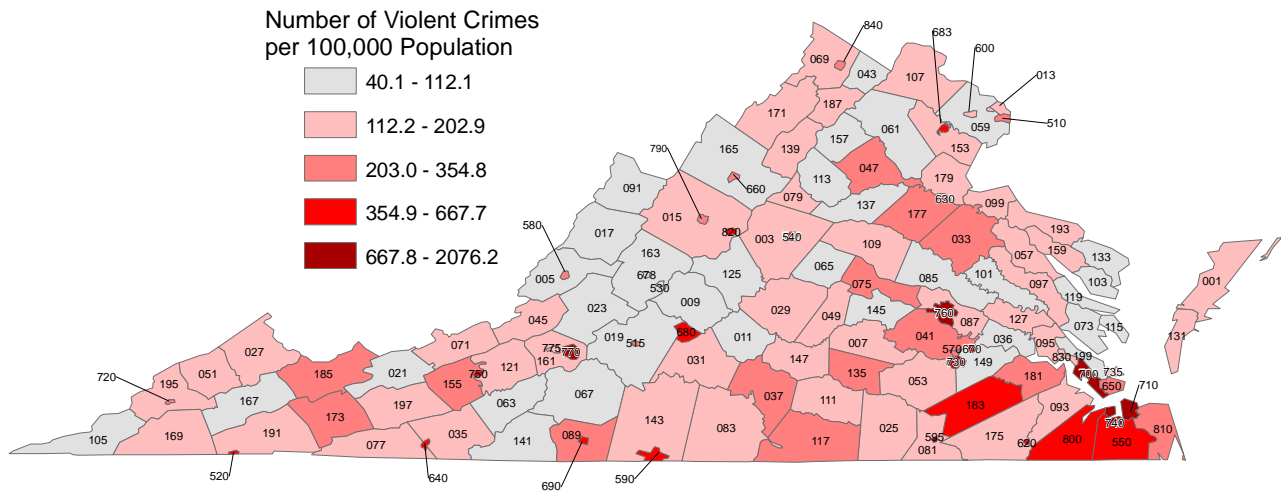
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1999



In 1999 the city of Emporia was the locality with the highest violent crime rate and Highland County had the lowest violent crime rate. (Note: Highland County reported no violent crimes in 1999 and therefore had a violent crime rate of 0.)

2008



Petersburg was the locality with the highest violent crime rate in 2008 and Rockingham County had the lowest violent crime rate.

Appendix A shows the violent crime rate by locality in each year 1999 and 2008 and how each locality ranked against all others in each year. Localities are labelled by their Federal Information Processing Standards code (aka FIPS code) in the maps above and in Appendix A.

Virginia Property Index Crime Rate, 1999-2008

Definitions

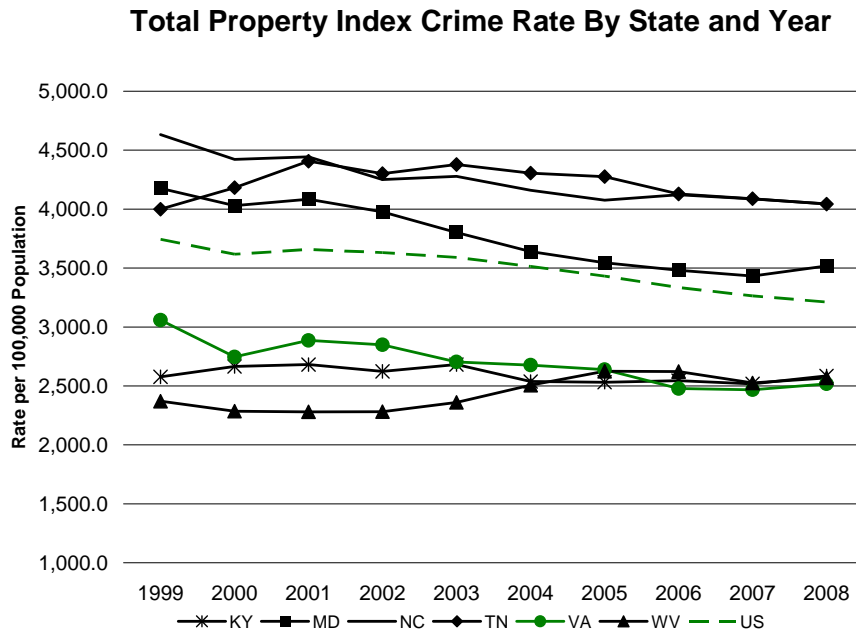
Property index crimes are burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

- Burglary is defined as the unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a felony or a theft.
- Larceny is the unlawful taking, carrying, leading or riding away of property from the possession, or constructive possession, or another person.
- Motor vehicle theft is defined as the theft of a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface of land and not on rails. Such vehicles include automobiles, buses, recreational vehicles, trucks and other motor vehicles, e.g., motorcycles, trail bikes, golf carts, snowmobiles and mopeds.

Property crime rate is the number of property crimes reported per 100,000 population.

Virginia, U.S. & Border States Property Index Crime Rate, 1999-2008

Source: FBI



Property index crime rates have been trending downward in both Virginia and the U.S. over the last decade. During this time Virginia's property index crime rate has been consistently below national rates and all but two border states.

From 1999 to 2008 the property index crime rate in Virginia decreased by almost 18% and by 14% in the U.S.

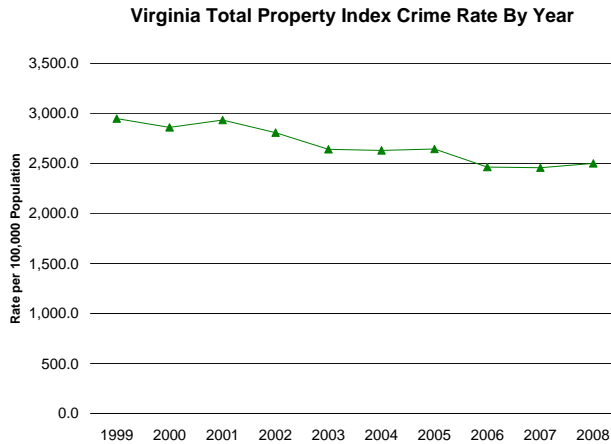
	Property Index Crime Rate Percent Change by State and Year	
	1999 - 2008	2007- 2008
KY	+0.2	+2.6
MD	-15.8	+2.5
NC	-12.7	-1.1
TN	+1.1	-1.1
VA	-17.7	+2.1
WV	+8.4	+1.7
US	-14.2	-1.6

The property index crime rate in Virginia increased by 2% from 2007 to 2008 and decreased by almost 2% across the U.S. Three other border states also reported increases in property index crime rates over this one-year period.

In 2008 Virginia reported the lowest property index crime rate of all shown above. Virginia's 2008 property index crime rate compared to the other 49 states can be found in Appendix D.

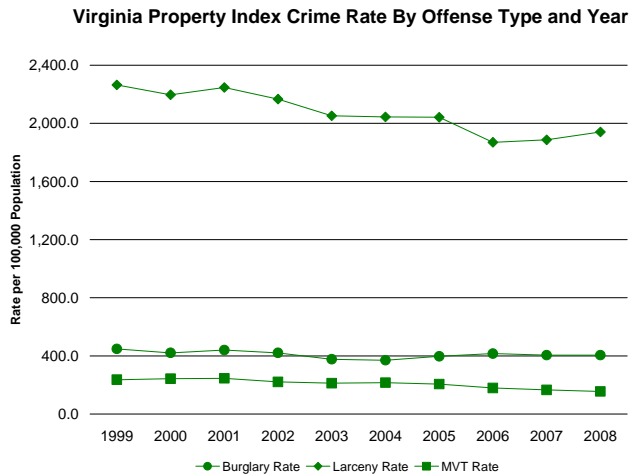
Virginia Property Index Crime Rate by Offense Type, 1999-2008

Source: DCJS



	Percent Change	
	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
Total Property Index Crime Rate	-15.2	+1.8

Total property index crime rate decreased by 15% from 1999 to 2008 and increased by almost 2% from 2007 to 2008.



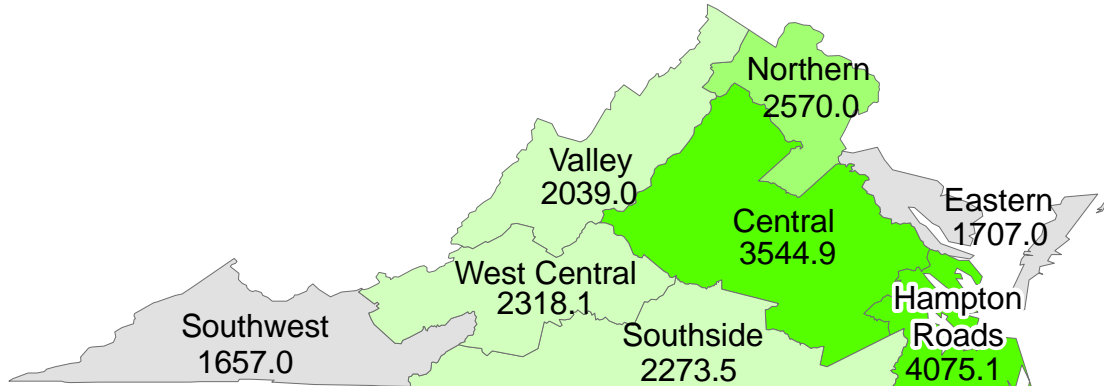
	Percent Change	
	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
Burglary Rate	-9.6	0.0
Larceny Rate	-14.3	+2.9
Motor Vehicle Theft Rate	-34.5	-6.8

Each of the property index crime rates decreased across Virginia over the decade 1999 to 2008. Motor vehicle theft rate had the largest decline. From 2007 to 2008 the burglary rate was unchanged in Virginia and the motor vehicle theft rate decreased by almost 7%. The larceny rate increased by almost 3% over this one-year period. The increase in larcenies drove the statewide increase in total property index crime rate from 2007 to 2008.

Virginia Property Index Crime Rate by Region, 1999-2008

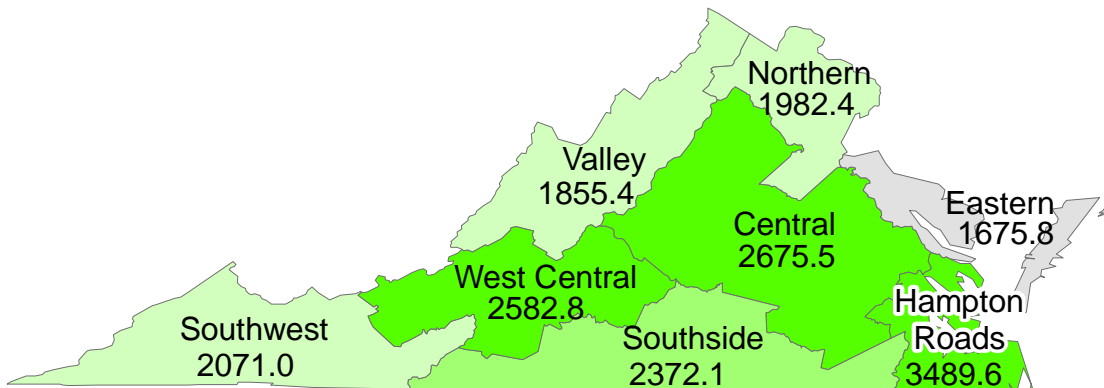
Source: DCJS

1999



The 1999 statewide property index crime rate was 2,948.5.

2008



In 2008 Virginia's property crime rate was 2,500.2, a 15% decrease from 1999.

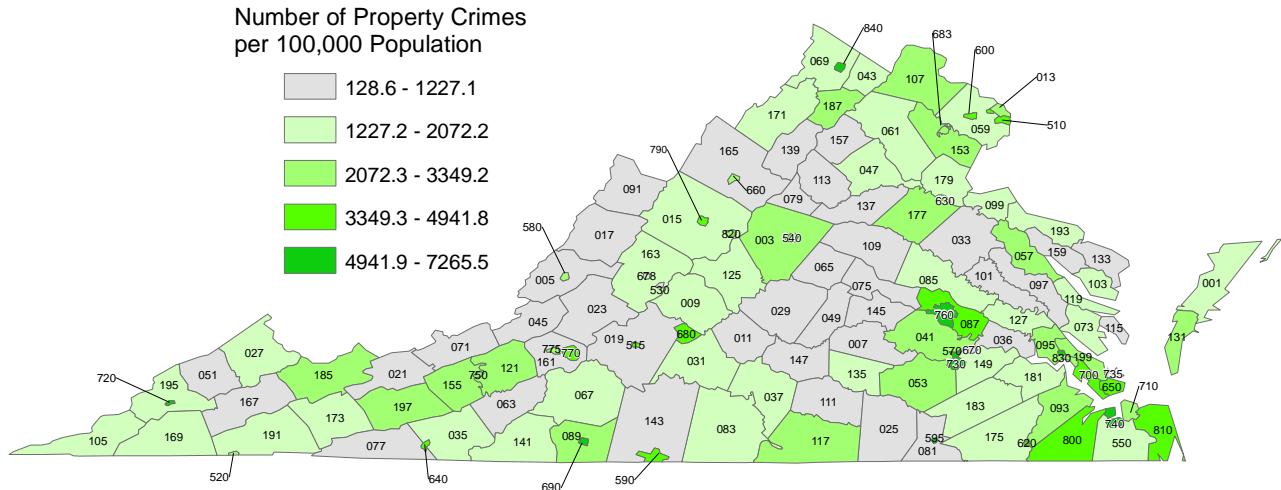
From 1999 to 2008 the property index crime rate declined in all regions of Virginia except the Southwest, West Central and Southside regions.

In 1999 the Southwest and Hampton Roads regions had the lowest and highest property index crime rates, respectively. In 2008 the Eastern region had the lowest property index crime rate and Hampton Roads had the highest.

Virginia Property Index Crime Rate by Locality, 1999-2008

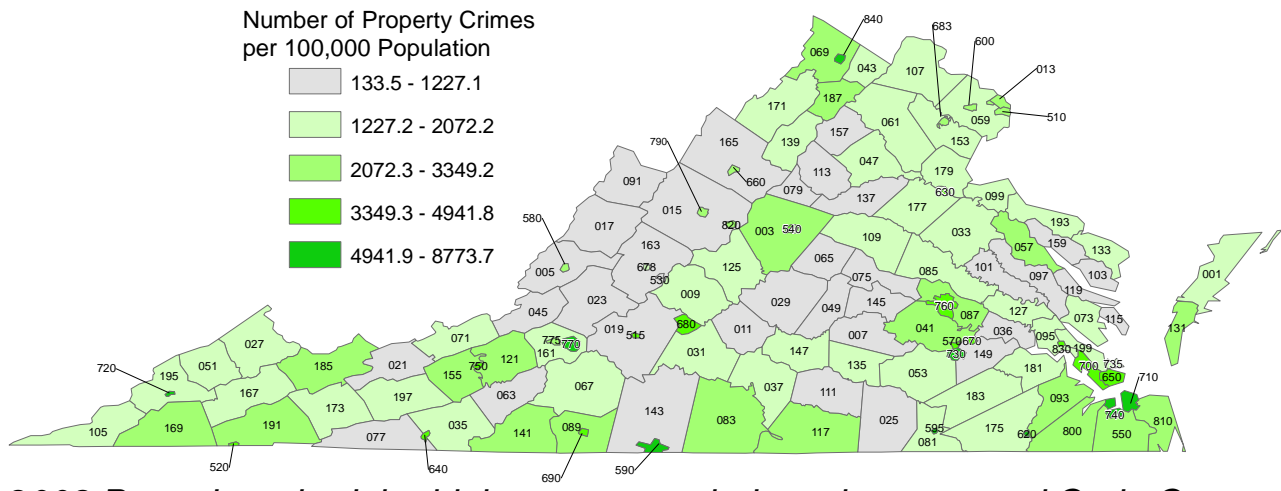
Source: DCJS

1999



In 1999 Petersburg was the locality with the highest property index crime rate and Charles City County had the lowest property index crime rate.

2008



In 2008 Petersburg had the highest property index crime rate and Craig County had the lowest rate.

Appendix B contains property index crime rates for each locality in 1999 and 2008 and how each locality compared to all others.

Virginia Drug Arrest Rate, 1999-2008

Definitions

Drug arrest rate is the number of arrests for drug offenses per 100,000 arrest-age population. Arrest-age population includes all persons age 10 and up.

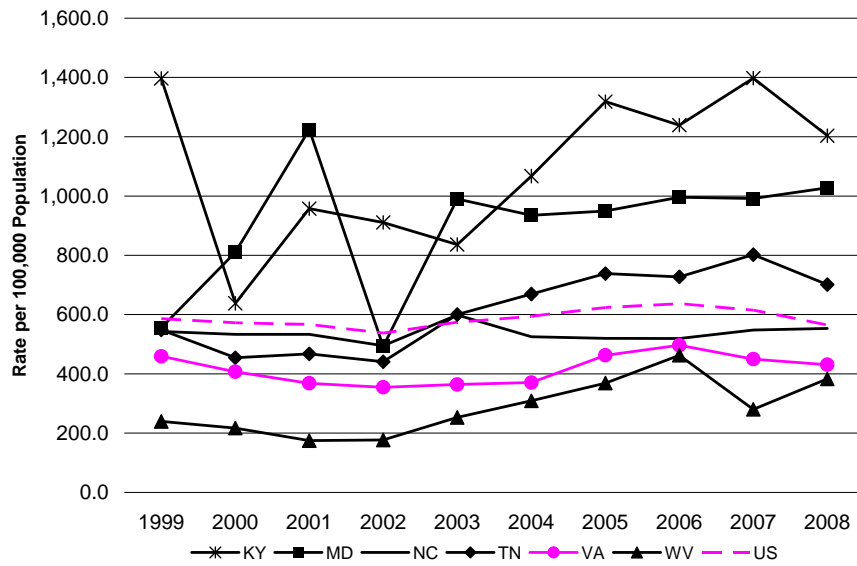
The total drug arrest rate includes arrests of both juveniles (individuals age 10-17) and adults.

Drug arrest statistics can reflect law enforcement anti-drug activities and are not an accurate indicator of drug prevalence.

Virginia, U.S. & Border States Drug Arrest Rate, 1999-2008

Source: FBI

Total Drug Arrest Rate By State and Year



Percent Change

	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
KY	-13.8	-13.9
MD	+85.1	+3.7
NC	+1.9	+0.9
TN	+27.8	-12.6
VA	-6.2	-4.1
WV	+59.8	+36.5
US	-3.6	-8.1

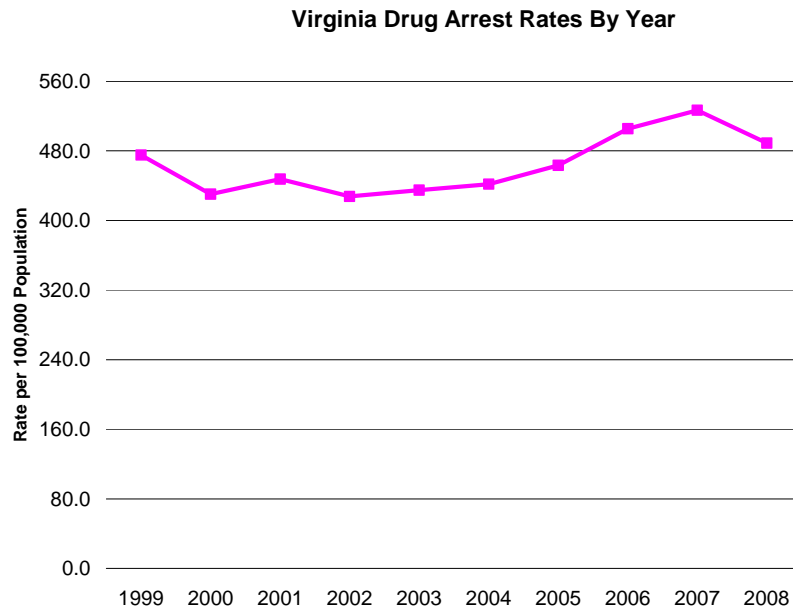
From 1999 to 2008 drug arrest rates trended down in Virginia and the U.S. The drug arrest rate in Virginia decreased by 6% and decreased nationally by almost 4%.

Virginia's drug arrest rate over the decade was consistently below national rates and the rates for all but one of the border states (West Virginia).

From 2007 to 2008 the drug arrest rate in Virginia decreased by 4% compared to an 8% decrease nationally.

Virginia Drug Arrest Rate, 1999-2008

Source: DCJS



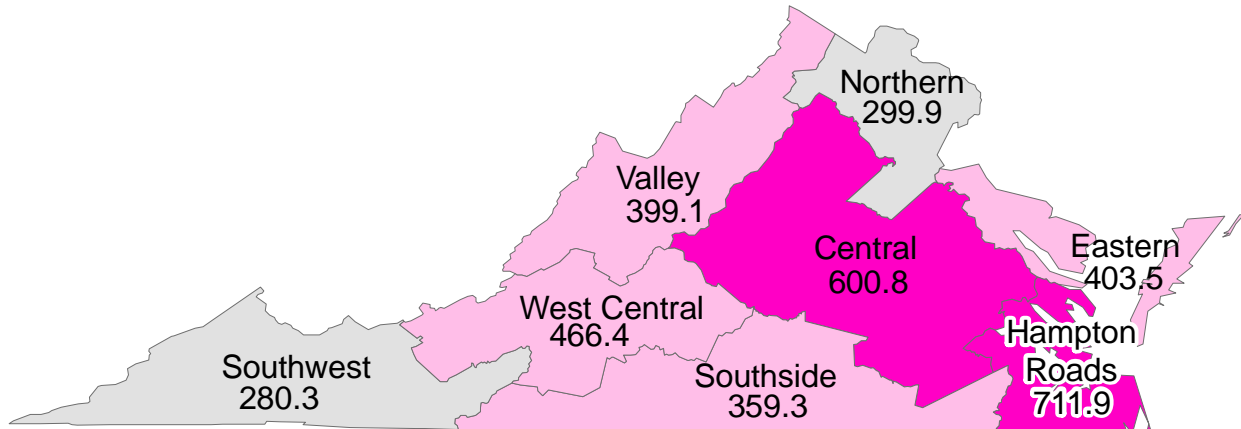
	% Change	
	1999 - 2008	2007 - 2008
Drug Arrest Rate	2.9%	-7.2%

Virginia's drug arrest rate increased from 1999 to 2008 and decreased from 2007 to 2008.

Virginia Drug Arrest Rate by Region, 1999-2008

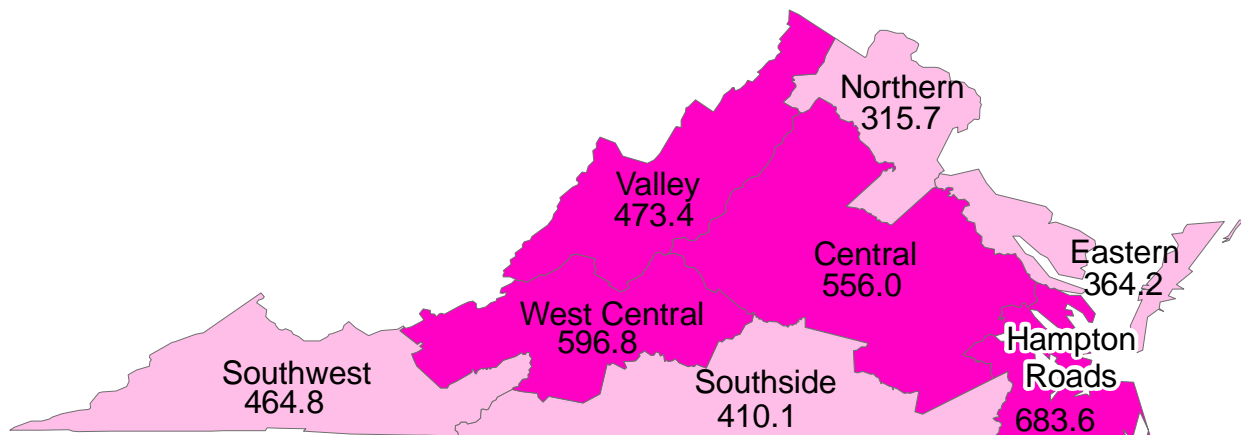
Source: DCJS

1999



The 1999 statewide drug arrest rate was 475.3.

2008



In 2008 Virginia's drug arrest rate was 489.0, a 3% increase from 1999.

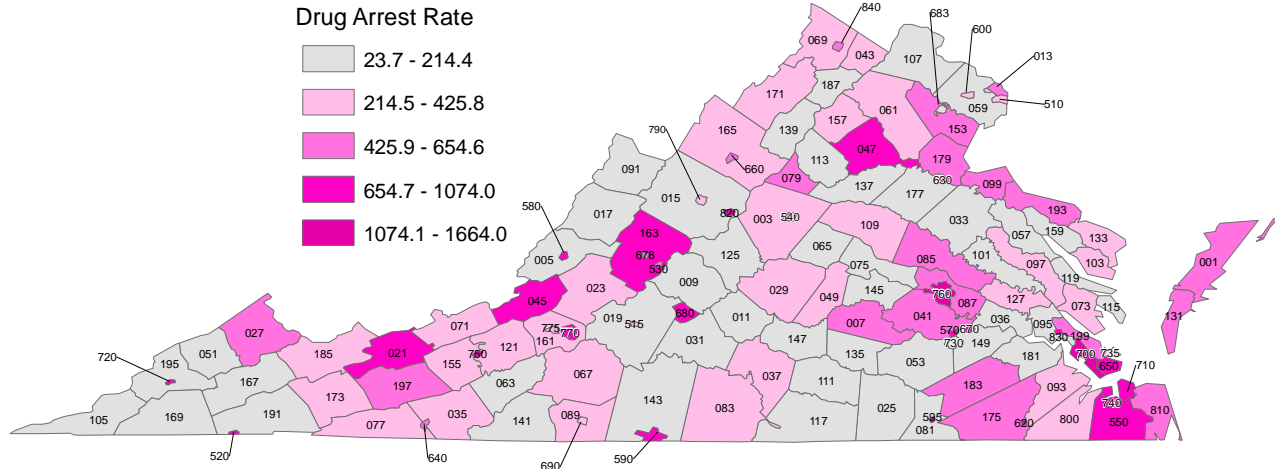
From 1999 to 2008 the drug arrest rate increased in all regions of Virginia except the Eastern, Central and Hampton Roads regions. The Southwest and West Central had the largest increases in drug arrest rates: 66% and 28%, respectively.

In 1999 the Southwest and Hampton Roads regions had the lowest and highest drug arrest rates, respectively. In 2008 the Northern region had the lowest drug arrest rate and Hampton Roads had the highest.

Virginia Drug Arrest Rate by Locality, 1999-2008

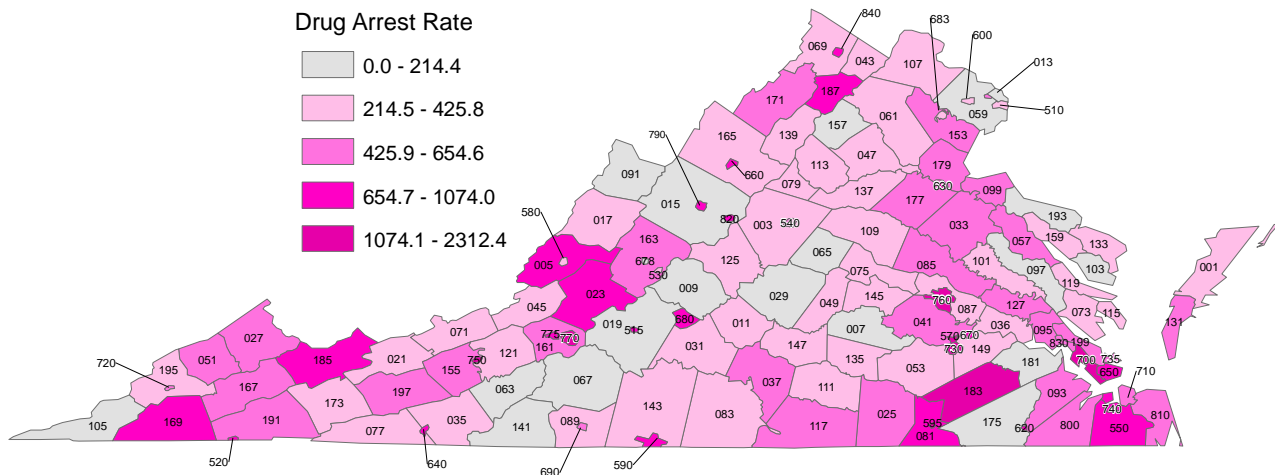
Source: DCJS

1999



In 1999 the city of Emporia was the locality with the highest drug arrest rate and Russell County had the lowest rate.

2008



In 2008 the city of Emporia was the locality with the highest drug arrest rate and Highland County had the lowest rate. (Note: Highland County reported no arrests for drug offenses in 2008 and therefore had a drug arrest rate of 0).

See Appendix C for drug arrest rates and comparisons by locality in 1999 and 2008.

Appendix A – Virginia Violent Index Crime Rate and Ranking by Locality, 1999 and 2008 Source: DCJS

Rank 1=highest crime rate statewide, Rank 134=lowest crime rate statewide

(Note: 1999 rank includes city of Clifton Forge; rank 135 will be lowest 1999 ranking. Clifton Forge reverted to town status in 2001).

Counties

FIPS	Locality	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank	FIPS	Locality	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank
001	Accomack Co	185.2	200.2	68	47	099	King George Co	162.7	143.3	74	79
003	Albemarle Co	192.0	140.9	65	80	101	King William Co	61.5	44.4	125	131
005	Alleghany Co	106.9	83.4	102	115	103	Lancaster Co	137.9	85.1	90	113
007	Amelia Co	89.3	123.0	110	91	105	Lee Co	134.5	90.9	92	110
009	Amherst Co	88.1	108.2	111	102	107	Loudoun Co	172.3	116.4	72	96
011	Appomattox Co	65.2	69.4	123	121	109	Louisa Co	139.4	136.5	89	83
013	Arlington Co	215.1	162.5	59	67	111	Lunenburg Co	159.1	174.8	77	61
015	Augusta Co	69.1	114.5	120	97	113	Madison Co	23.8	101.2	132	104
017	Bath Co	58.8	42.4	126	133	115	Mathews Co	21.5	53.1	134	129
019	Bedford Co	85.4	78.5	114	117	117	Mecklenburg Co	397.5	254.8	21	33
021	Bland Co	72.5	42.5	117	132	119	Middlesex Co	71.4	58.4	119	126
023	Botetourt Co	125.8	63.7	95	124	121	Montgomery Co	249.7	171.2	42	62
025	Brunswick Co	97.8	124.9	108	90	125	Nelson Co	117.2	51.4	98	130
027	Buchanan Co	200.0	189.2	63	51	127	New Kent Co	214.8	183.5	60	56
029	Buckingham Co	197.5	187.3	64	53	131	Northampton Co	227.3	150.9	53	74
031	Campbell Co	140.9	184.4	87	55	133	Northumberland Co	73.8	90.7	116	111
033	Caroline Co	429.2	240.7	19	38	135	Nottoway Co	235.7	225.6	48	39
035	Carroll Co	161.0	189.2	75	52	137	Orange Co	172.5	75.5	71	119
036	Charles City Co	42.9	101.3	129	103	139	Page Co	98.7	129.3	107	88
037	Charlotte Co	236.6	273.0	47	29	141	Patrick Co	153.8	98.9	80	106
041	Chesterfield Co	183.1	208.5	69	43	143	Pittsylvania Co	108.0	120.5	101	93
043	Clarke Co	192.0	110.1	66	100	145	Powhatan Co	226.2	83.5	54	114
045	Craig Co	39.2	152.6	130	72	147	Prince Edward Co	132.7	162.8	93	66
047	Culpeper Co	230.8	214.7	51	42	149	Prince George Co	71.7	108.7	118	101
049	Cumberland Co	144.4	152.7	85	71	153	Prince William Co	228.6	152.8	52	70
051	Dickenson Co	48.2	164.2	127	64	155	Pulaski Co	257.1	282.1	40	28
053	Dinwiddie Co	159.2	186.3	76	54	157	Rappahannock Co	44.1	57.8	128	127
057	Essex Co	242.4	177.0	44	60	159	Richmond Co	149.4	133.0	82	86
059	Fairfax Co	68.9	76.0	121	118	161	Roanoke Co	136.8	151.3	91	73
061	Fauquier Co	120.9	97.3	96	107	163	Rockbridge Co	81.3	91.5	115	109
063	Floyd Co	22.1	66.3	133	123	165	Rockingham Co	66.2	40.1	122	134
065	Fluvanna Co	35.9	68.2	131	122	167	Russell Co	99.3	110.4	106	99
067	Franklin Co	156.0	96.5	78	108	169	Scott Co	106.8	178.2	103	59
069	Frederick Co	86.1	178.7	113	58	171	Shenandoah Co	262.1	181.8	39	57
071	Giles Co	140.2	133.2	88	85	173	Smyth Co	177.7	260.4	70	31
073	Gloucester Co	152.7	55.4	81	128	175	Southampton Co	369.3	155.7	27	69
075	Goochland Co	236.7	344.4	46	23	177	Spotsylvania Co	202.9	248.7	61	35
077	Grayson Co	65.1	148.7	124	76	179	Stafford Co	118.8	146.3	97	77
079	Greene Co	147.7	195.7	83	48	181	Surry Co	426.5	225.2	20	40
081	Greensville Co	220.3	119.9	57	94	183	Sussex Co	376.0	356.6	26	22
083	Halifax Co	338.7	194.7	29	49	185	Tazewell Co	1,167.0	203.5	2	45
085	Hanover Co	115.2	74.7	99	120	187	Warren Co	102.2	138.5	104	82
087	Henrico Co	234.2	200.2	49	46	191	Washington Co	86.8	140.9	112	81
089	Henry Co	299.5	295.2	36	27	193	Westmoreland Co	185.6	122.1	67	92
091	Highland Co	0.0	87.6	135	112	195	Wise Co	224.9	160.5	55	68
093	Isle of Wight Co	154.9	168.7	79	63	197	Wythe Co	146.0	118.2	84	95
095	James City Co	217.0	114.1	58	98	199	York Co	625.9	100.7	11	105
097	King & Queen Co	90.9	129.8	109	87						

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Cities

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510	Alexandria C	308.8	255.9	34	32
515	Bedford C	354.8	204.5	28	44
520	Bristol C	390.8	418.6	22	18
530	Buena Vista C	317.5	61.4	32	125
540	Charlottesville C	926.6	547.5	5	11
550	Chesapeake C	281.1	460.2	38	16
570	Colonial Heights C	238.1	254.3	45	34
580	Covington C	142.9	219.6	86	41
580	Clifton Forge C	713.4	---	9	---
590	Danville C	468.4	580.3	16	10
595	Emporia C	1,381.8	772.5	1	6
600	Fairfax C	201.9	133.4	62	84
610	Falls Church C	554.5	149.1	13	75
620	Franklin C	301.2	542.7	35	12
630	Fredericksburg C	388.6	616.6	23	9
640	Galax C	492.5	477.2	15	15
650	Hampton C	336.8	336.3	30	24
660	Harrisonburg C	376.3	309.0	24	26
670	Hopewell C	233.5	1,199.3	50	2
678	Lexington C	242.9	83.2	43	116
680	Lynchburg C	450.2	489.2	17	14
683	Manassas C	223.5	408.6	56	20
685	Manassas Park C	128.7	163.7	94	65
690	Martinsville C	503.2	409.9	14	19
700	Newport News C	799.7	684.6	7	8
710	Norfolk C	376.1	835.8	25	3
720	Norton C	763.2	264.4	8	30
730	Petersburg C	1,044.2	2,076.2	4	1
735	Poquoson C	112.1	127.2	100	89
740	Portsmouth C	881.7	735.7	6	7
750	Radford C	318.5	539.0	31	13
760	Richmond C	1,146.5	825.7	3	4
770	Roanoke C	667.7	812.2	10	5
775	Salem C	100.8	145.5	105	78
790	Staunton C	163.2	246.8	73	36
800	Suffolk C	573.0	378.5	12	21
810	Virginia Beach C	250.1	242.2	41	37
820	Waynesboro C	314.4	456.0	33	17
830	Williamsburg C	295.1	194.7	37	50
840	Winchester C	437.8	331.9	18	25

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003	Albemarle Co	2,483.1	2,455.5	44	41	101	King William Co	846.2	697.7	120	128
005	Alleghany Co	900.8	1,012.2	116	115	103	Lancaster Co	1,250.0	1,225.1	93	101
007	Amelia Co	866.1	1,215.1	118	103	105	Lee Co	1,474.8	1,714.6	81	70
009	Amherst Co	1,330.2	1,697.5	88	74	107	Loudoun Co	2,132.3	1,469.6	54	86
011	Appomattox Co	978.3	867.2	111	119	109	Louisa Co	1,227.1	1,483.0	94	84
013	Arlington Co	3,184.5	2,465.4	30	40	111	Lunenburg Co	939.4	1,109.6	115	108
015	Augusta Co	1,611.4	1,100.8	73	109	113	Madison Co	785.7	1,091.7	123	110
017	Bath Co	313.7	699.3	133	127	115	Mathews Co	494.6	923.8	132	117
019	Bedford Co	1,149.1	1,152.8	99	107	117	Mecklenburg Co	2,611.8	2,401.7	40	43
021	Bland Co	1,101.4	822.6	103	121	119	Middlesex Co	1,510.2	778.4	79	124
023	Botetourt Co	960.3	1,089.3	113	111	121	Montgomery Co	2,689.1	2,502.3	38	39
025	Brunswick Co	1,043.5	885.2	107	118	125	Nelson Co	1,737.9	1,701.4	65	72
027	Buchanan Co	1,400.0	1,949.7	85	59	127	New Kent Co	1,555.6	1,376.1	76	90
029	Buckingham Co	1,000.0	1,226.8	109	100	131	Northampton Co	2,484.8	2,188.0	43	51
031	Campbell Co	1,682.5	1,850.0	67	63	133	Northumberland Co	1,057.4	1,352.8	106	95
033	Caroline Co	1,200.9	1,745.8	96	69	135	Nottoway Co	1,611.5	1,676.1	72	75
035	Carroll Co	1,434.9	1,480.5	83	85	137	Orange Co	1,145.1	1,175.0	100	105
036	Charles City Co	128.6	419.8	135	133	139	Page Co	1,115.9	1,898.5	102	60
037	Charlotte Co	1,282.4	1,357.1	92	93	141	Patrick Co	1,600.0	2,113.4	74	52
041	Chesterfield Co	3,028.7	2,368.1	33	45	143	Pittsylvania Co	805.2	1,037.7	122	114
043	Clarke Co	1,328.0	1,768.3	89	67	145	Powhatan Co	941.2	1,067.2	114	112
045	Craig Co	823.5	133.5	121	134	147	Prince Edward Co	892.9	1,269.5	117	99
047	Culpeper Co	2,029.6	1,713.1	56	71	149	Prince George Co	1,405.0	1,158.4	84	106
049	Cumberland Co	988.9	672.1	110	130	153	Prince William Co	2,731.1	2,047.7	36	54
051	Dickenson Co	295.2	1,532.8	134	81	155	Pulaski Co	2,645.7	3,157.8	39	25
053	Dinwiddie Co	2,293.9	1,698.8	50	73	157	Rappahannock Co	1,191.2	693.1	97	129
057	Essex Co	2,454.5	2,087.2	46	53	159	Richmond Co	655.2	593.4	128	132
059	Fairfax Co	1,556.9	1,892.9	75	61	161	Roanoke Co	1,029.5	1,629.4	108	78
061	Fauquier Co	1,439.6	1,311.4	82	96	163	Rockbridge Co	1,291.9	1,212.3	91	104
063	Floyd Co	1,132.4	1,053.4	101	113	165	Rockingham Co	848.1	800.4	119	122
065	Fluvanna Co	753.8	833.7	125	120	167	Russell Co	1,079.5	1,486.8	105	83
067	Franklin Co	1,681.6	1,413.7	68	89	169	Scott Co	1,551.3	2,312.5	77	47
069	Frederick Co	2,024.1	2,256.1	57	48	171	Shenandoah Co	1,390.3	1,420.5	86	87
071	Giles Co	963.4	1,810.1	112	66	173	Smyth Co	1,382.5	1,870.2	87	62
073	Gloucester Co	1,778.1	1,357.0	63	94	175	Southampton Co	1,704.5	1,988.4	66	56
075	Goochland Co	1,159.8	775.0	98	125	177	Spotsylvania Co	2,359.4	2,046.2	49	55
077	Grayson Co	781.1	941.5	124	116	179	Stafford Co	1,951.2	1,369.6	59	91
079	Greene Co	1,208.1	1,219.2	95	102	181	Surry Co	1,514.7	1,308.8	78	97
081	Greensville Co	678.0	1,614.6	127	80	183	Sussex Co	1,616.0	1,617.2	71	79
083	Halifax Co	1,790.3	2,378.2	62	44	185	Tazewell Co	2,253.9	2,363.4	51	46
085	Hanover Co	1,760.3	1,419.4	64	88	187	Warren Co	2,696.5	3,105.2	37	27
087	Henrico Co	4,179.0	3,115.8	17	26	191	Washington Co	1,668.6	2,878.5	69	33
089	Henry Co	2,783.1	2,214.6	34	50	193	Westmoreland Co	1,509.0	1,644.9	80	77
091	Highland Co	560.0	701.1	131	126	195	Wise Co	1,804.4	1,811.9	61	65
093	Isle of Wight Co	2,370.4	2,228.4	48	49	197	Wythe Co	2,229.9	1,665.1	53	76
095	James City Co	2,236.2	1,487.9	52	82	199	York Co	2,425.2	1,975.9	47	58
097	King & Queen Co	697.0	648.9	126	131						

Appendix B – Virginia Property Index Crime Rate and Ranking by Locality, 1999 and 2008 Source: DCJS

Rank 1=highest crime rate statewide, Rank 134=lowest crime rate statewide

(Note: 1999 rank includes city of Clifton Forge; rank 135 will be lowest 1999 ranking. Clifton Forge reverted to town status in 2001).

Cities

FIPS	Locality	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank
510	Alexandria C	4,194.8	2,450.2	16	42
515	Bedford C	3,629.0	3,555.7	25	23
520	Bristol C	2,557.5	3,922.5	41	17
530	Buena Vista C	650.8	798.2	130	123
540	Charlottesville C	4,941.8	4,917.0	10	11
550	Chesapeake C	2,072.2	3,080.5	55	28
570	Colonial Heights C	6,398.8	4,499.0	3	13
580	Covington C	3,349.2	2,871.6	27	34
580	Clifton Forge C	1,640.9	---	70	---
590	Danville C	4,892.1	5,982.0	11	5
595	Emporia C	6,272.7	6,018.7	4	4
600	Fairfax C	4,061.0	2,680.6	19	35
610	Falls Church C	4,198.0	3,272.2	15	24
620	Franklin C	4,265.1	6,042.0	14	3
630	Fredericksburg C	4,414.5	4,937.0	13	10
640	Galax C	3,895.5	3,966.6	22	16
650	Hampton C	3,823.4	3,626.8	23	21
660	Harrisonburg C	3,267.7	2,677.9	28	36
670	Hopewell C	1,083.7	4,260.0	104	14
678	Lexington C	1,314.3	1,289.7	90	98
680	Lynchburg C	3,755.3	3,872.3	24	19
683	Manassas C	3,083.1	2,964.8	32	31
685	Manassas Park C	2,782.2	1,359.4	35	92
690	Martinsville C	5,348.4	3,765.7	9	20
700	Newport News C	4,707.9	4,117.6	12	15
710	Norfolk C	3,115.1	5,326.9	31	8
720	Norton C	5,736.8	6,777.2	6	2
730	Petersburg C	7,265.5	8,773.7	1	1
735	Poquoson C	655.2	1,755.6	129	68
740	Portsmouth C	6,001.0	5,789.0	5	6
750	Radford C	2,509.6	3,888.6	42	18
760	Richmond C	7,244.3	4,586.5	2	12
770	Roanoke C	3,914.3	5,504.4	21	7
775	Salem C	2,479.8	2,994.1	45	29
790	Staunton C	3,945.6	2,636.7	20	37
800	Suffolk C	4,088.9	2,607.8	18	38
810	Virginia Beach C	3,584.8	2,912.0	26	32
820	Waynesboro C	3,257.7	2,973.7	29	30
830	Williamsburg C	5,368.9	3,624.4	8	22
840	Winchester C	5,407.7	5,017.4	7	9

Appendix C – Virginia Drug Arrest Rate and Ranking by Locality, 1999 and 2008 Source: DCJS

Rank 1=highest crime rate statewide, Rank 134=lowest crime rate statewide

(Note: 1999 rank includes city of Clifton Forge; rank 135 will be lowest 1999 ranking. Clifton Forge reverted to town status in 2001).

Counties

FIPS	LOCALITY	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank	FIPS	LOCALITY	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank
001	Accomack Co	556.8	387.4	34	73	099	King George Co	501.8	616.1	43	36
003	Albemarle Co	338.6	316.3	65	90	101	King William Co	187.7	228.2	100	111
005	Alleghany Co	195.5	719.3	95	25	103	Lancaster Co	255.4	56.3	79	132
007	Amelia Co	533.5	97.2	36	129	105	Lee Co	47.8	52.9	129	133
009	Amherst Co	145.5	185.0	115	119	107	Loudoun Co	149.1	301.1	114	95
011	Appomattox Co	42.8	292.9	132	96	109	Louisa Co	313.6	405.6	69	68
013	Arlington Co	450.1	207.3	48	115	111	Lunenburg Co	67.2	219.7	124	114
015	Augusta Co	95.5	170.7	120	120	113	Madison Co	155.3	269.2	113	103
017	Bath Co	68.2	301.9	123	94	115	Mathews Co	168.0	417.9	105	66
019	Bedford Co	176.7	158.4	102	122	117	Mecklenburg Co	123.7	482.8	117	55
021	Bland Co	919.8	374.6	13	75	119	Middlesex Co	57.1	232.7	128	110
023	Botetourt Co	361.9	735.6	59	24	121	Montgomery Co	354.8	280.9	62	98
025	Brunswick Co	158.4	535.6	110	49	125	Nelson Co	169.0	281.3	104	97
027	Buchanan Co	516.0	435.6	38	63	127	New Kent Co	389.9	459.8	55	57
029	Buckingham Co	268.2	206.3	73	116	131	Northampton Co	476.4	435.6	46	64
031	Campbell Co	178.6	249.4	101	107	133	Northumberland Co	267.6	398.6	74	69
033	Caroline Co	162.9	454.4	107	59	135	Nottoway Co	205.8	277.1	93	99
035	Carroll Co	425.8	266.8	50	105	137	Orange Co	155.5	272.0	112	102
036	Charles City Co	47.0	323.9	130	86	139	Page Co	132.9	398.4	116	70
037	Charlotte Co	373.5	530.6	58	50	141	Patrick Co	211.1	58.1	91	131
041	Chesterfield Co	501.3	586.6	44	41	143	Pittsylvania Co	214.4	312.1	89	92
043	Clarke Co	265.7	339.8	75	81	145	Powhatan Co	212.2	338.0	90	82
045	Craig Co	874.4	303.3	15	93	147	Prince Edward Co	157.1	227.4	111	112
047	Culpeper Co	729.9	416.8	24	67	149	Prince George Co	208.4	273.0	92	101
049	Cumberland Co	233.8	323.1	83	88	153	Prince William Co	506.4	618.7	42	34
051	Dickenson Co	34.1	563.4	133	47	155	Pulaski Co	250.5	548.1	81	48
053	Dinwiddie Co	194.3	323.4	98	87	157	Rappahannock Co	396.8	164.0	53	121
057	Essex Co	111.9	455.1	118	58	159	Richmond Co	165.7	393.3	106	72
059	Fairfax Co	194.3	111.9	99	126	161	Roanoke Co	334.9	522.9	66	52
061	Fauquier Co	265.7	396.7	76	71	163	Rockbridge Co	799.4	619.4	20	33
063	Floyd Co	25.5	119.7	134	125	165	Rockingham Co	255.4	265.3	80	106
065	Fluvanna Co	88.4	193.6	122	118	167	Russell Co	23.7	610.4	135	38
067	Franklin Co	225.2	194.0	87	117	169	Scott Co	89.0	678.6	121	30
069	Frederick Co	330.6	377.7	67	74	171	Shenandoah Co	406.5	586.2	52	42
071	Giles Co	295.0	361.2	70	79	173	Smyth Co	288.6	247.3	72	108
073	Gloucester Co	393.6	331.9	54	83	175	Southampton Co	511.7	104.1	40	127
075	Goochland Co	197.3	314.6	94	91	177	Spotsylvania Co	195.0	574.8	96	45
077	Grayson Co	231.0	331.1	85	84	179	Stafford Co	623.5	616.9	30	35
079	Greene Co	530.2	277.0	37	100	181	Surry Co	160.4	142.7	109	123
081	Greensville Co	194.6	756.6	97	22	183	Sussex Co	486.3	1,286.6	45	8
083	Halifax Co	224.1	241.2	88	109	185	Tazewell Co	360.9	700.0	60	27
085	Hanover Co	469.3	611.7	47	37	187	Warren Co	174.8	757.0	103	21
087	Henrico Co	506.6	372.6	41	77	191	Washington Co	58.4	575.8	127	44
089	Henry Co	231.6	317.7	84	89	193	Westmoreland Co	654.6	130.5	26	124
091	Highland Co	45.3	0.0	131	134	195	Wise Co	62.3	372.7	126	76
093	Isle of Wight Co	262.7	453.1	78	60	197	Wythe Co	605.7	512.3	31	53
095	James City Co	65.0	474.9	125	56	199	York Co	650.4	504.4	27	54
097	King & Queen Co	227.7	63.8	86	130						

Appendix C – Virginia Drug Arrest Rate and Ranking by Locality, 1999 and 2008 Source: DCJS

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Cities

FIPS	LOCALITY	1999 Rate	2008 Rate	1999 Rank	2008 Rank
510	Alexandria C	418.6	329.4	51	85
515	Bedford C	356.2	958.6	61	12
520	Bristol C	1,050.3	691.6	8	29
530	Buena Vista C	514.9	346.4	39	80
540	Charlottesville C	553.3	636.0	35	32
550	Chesapeake C	774.5	701.0	21	26
560	Clifton Forge C	882.4	---	14	---
570	Colonial Heights C	751.6	1,598.8	23	2
580	Covington C	851.6	267.8	17	104
590	Danville C	1,074.0	794.9	7	19
595	Emporia C	1,664.0	2,312.4	1	1
600	Fairfax C	351.5	222.2	63	113
610	Falls Church C	246.0	426.4	82	65
620	Franklin C	758.2	846.5	22	16
630	Fredericksburg C	1,185.9	1,388.2	5	6
640	Galax C	627.0	903.2	29	13
650	Hampton C	801.0	821.0	19	18
660	Harrisonburg C	597.6	691.7	32	28
670	Hopewell C	995.7	834.4	9	17
678	Lexington C	446.3	103.3	49	128
680	Lynchburg C	958.0	1,052.9	12	10
683	Manassas C	162.7	363.6	108	78
685	Manassas Park C	342.5	762.2	64	20
690	Martinsville C	314.7	443.8	68	61
700	Newport News C	1,150.6	1,434.4	6	4
710	Norfolk C	803.4	435.7	18	62
720	Norton C	857.9	569.7	16	46
730	Petersburg C	107.2	1,423.0	119	5
735	Poquoson C	386.9	525.3	56	51
740	Portsmouth C	968.6	746.4	11	23
750	Radford C	1,363.8	1,351.1	3	7
760	Richmond C	1,630.0	1,086.1	2	9
770	Roanoke C	979.9	1,435.1	10	3
775	Salem C	263.9	660.9	77	31
790	Staunton C	386.8	985.3	57	11
800	Suffolk C	290.4	577.4	71	43
810	Virginia Beach C	595.8	586.8	33	40
820	Waynesboro C	1,227.3	891.5	4	14
830	Williamsburg C	715.2	600.6	25	39
840	Winchester C	634.9	887.8	28	15

Appendix D – Violent and Property Index Crime Rate Rankings Nationally, 2008 Source: FBI

Virginia's 2008 violent crime rate** ranked 41 out of 50, between Oregon and Rhode Island. Virginia's 2008 property crime rate** ranked 39 out of 50, between Vermont and Connecticut.

1=highest rate; 50=lowest rate

State	2008 Violent Crime Rate	Rank	State	2008 Property Crime Rate	Rank
South Carolina	729.7	1	Arizona	4,291.0	1
Nevada	724.5	2	South Carolina	4,234.2	2
Tennessee	722.4	3	Florida	4,140.8	3
Delaware	703.4	4	Alabama	4,082.9	4
Florida	688.9	5	North Carolina	4,044.1	5
Louisiana	656.2	6	Tennessee	4,042.6	6
Alaska	651.9	7	Georgia	4,015.5	7
New Mexico	649.9	8	Texas	3,985.6	8
Maryland	628.2	9	New Mexico	3,909.2	9
Oklahoma	526.7	10	Arkansas	3,835.1	10
Illinois	525.4	11	Louisiana	3,823.1	11
Texas	507.9	12	Washington	3,758.4	12
Missouri	504.4	13	Missouri	3,663.7	13
California	503.8	14	Delaware	3,585.3	14
Arkansas	503.4	15	Hawaii	3,571.2	15
Michigan	501.5	16	Maryland	3,517.6	16
Georgia	478.9	17	Nevada	3,447.5	17
North Carolina	467.3	18	Oklahoma	3,442.4	18
Alabama	452.8	19	Ohio	3,411.7	19
Massachusetts	449.0	20	Kansas	3,377.2	20
Arizona	447.0	21	Utah	3,357.4	21
Kansas	410.6	22	Indiana	3,335.8	22
Pennsylvania	410.0	23	Oregon	3,282.2	23
New York	398.1	24	Mississippi	2,940.4	24
Ohio	348.2	25	California	2,940.3	25
Colorado	343.1	26	Michigan	2,934.8	26
Indiana	333.8	27	Illinois	2,932.6	27
Washington	331.2	28	Alaska	2,932.3	28
New Jersey	326.5	29	Nebraska	2,878.6	29
Nebraska	303.7	30	Minnesota	2,850.6	30
Connecticut	297.8	31	Colorado	2,849.0	31
Kentucky	296.2	32	Rhode Island	2,840.6	32
Mississippi	284.9	33	Wisconsin	2,756.4	33
Iowa	283.8	34	Wyoming	2,717.3	34
Wisconsin	274.0	35	Montana	2,603.0	35
West Virginia	273.8	36	Kentucky	2,583.9	36
Hawaii	272.6	37	West Virginia	2,568.6	37
Minnesota	262.8	38	Vermont	2,538.5	38
Montana	258.1	39	Virginia	2,518.1	39
Oregon	257.2	40	Connecticut	2,458.7	40
Virginia	255.9	41	Maine	2,452.4	41
Rhode Island	249.4	42	Iowa	2,420.9	42
Wyoming	232.0	43	Pennsylvania	2,410.2	43
Idaho	228.6	44	Massachusetts	2,400.1	44
Utah	221.8	45	New Jersey	2,293.4	45
South Dakota	201.4	46	Idaho	2,101.2	46
North Dakota	166.5	47	New Hampshire	2,091.9	47
New Hampshire	157.2	48	New York	1,993.5	48
Vermont	135.9	49	North Dakota	1,894.4	49
Maine	117.5	50	South Dakota	1,645.6	50

**Virginia crime rates published by the FBI differ slightly from crime rates published by Virginia State Police and DCJS.

Appendix D - Drug Arrest Rate Rankings Nationally, 2008

Source: FBI

Virginia's 2008 drug arrest rate** ranked 31 out of 50, between Alabama and New Mexico.

Rank 1=highest rate; 50=lowest rate

State	2008 Drug Arrest Rate	Rank
Illinois	1527.2	1
Kentucky	1203.4	2
Maryland	1027.7	3
Mississippi	897.6	4
Florida	874.1	5
California	735.2	6
Louisiana	726.5	7
Tennessee	701.0	8
Delaware	675.2	9
Missouri	649.3	10
Nebraska	638.4	11
New Jersey	631.3	12
Texas	585.6	13
Nevada	584.8	14
Georgia	578.7	15
New York	574.0	16
Oklahoma	564.8	17
Wyoming	562.3	18
North Carolina	553.0	19
Arizona	533.8	20
Connecticut	499.9	21
Washington	492.3	22
Indiana	486.7	23
Arkansas	479.0	24
Pennsylvania	467.8	25
Oregon	458.2	26
Wisconsin	452.6	27
Ohio	445.4	28
Maine	439.7	29
Alabama	437.0	30
Virginia	431.0	31
New Mexico	422.8	32
South Carolina	414.3	33
Colorado	409.5	34
Utah	388.8	35
Idaho	384.2	36
West Virginia	383.0	37
South Dakota	380.0	38
Michigan	366.7	39
Kansas	361.5	40
Rhode Island	360.8	41
Minnesota	358.6	42
Massachusetts	340.6	43
New Hampshire	316.3	44
Iowa	307.2	45
North Dakota	304.7	46
Alaska	257.5	47
Vermont	223.0	48
Hawaii	176.6	49
Montana	173.7	50

**Virginia arrest rates published by the FBI differ slightly from arrest rates published by Virginia State Police and DCJS.

Data Sources

Virginia, U.S. & Border States index crime rates and drug arrest rates: *Crime In The United States*, U.S. Department of Justice, FBI

Virginia index crime rates and drug arrest rates statewide, by region and by locality calculated by DCJS using 1999 data from *Crime In Virginia 1999*, VSP, 2000 – 2008 data from Incident-Based Reporting System electronic data files from VSP, converted to Uniform Crime Reporting Summary format and adjusted for missing and underreported data by DCJS Research Center; population estimates from Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, University of Virginia.