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# Chapter 1

## PREFACE

In 1935, the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) was given the responsibility to collect activity information from law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Minnesota. Reports containing this information were completed and forwarded to the concerned parties every two years as required by state statute until 1972, when the reports began to be produced annually.

This report measures criminal activity in the state using data submitted by individual law enforcement agencies. The criminal activity consists of incidents, stolen and recovered property, and arrests. In addition to crime data, this report also contains other data required in statute including the number of law enforcement officers killed or assaulted; firearms discharges by police officers; missing person reports; police pursuits, and bias offenses. Limited information is also available on law enforcement personnel.

Comparisons with previous years' statistics are presented for trend changes that may be of use to the reader.

The Minnesota Uniform Crime Report – 2020 report is compiled from crime statistics provided by Minnesota law enforcement agencies. Law enforcement agencies use Minnesota Offense Codes (MOCs) to categorize crime for reporting purposes. MOCs are created based on Minnesota statutes and each code represents a specific crime category. Each year the BCA makes additions, deletions, and corrections to MOCs based on statute changes, FBI clarification, and identification of errors. As a result the way crimes are categorized can change from year to year. Any comparisons with previous years should be viewed with caution. The Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension wishes to thank the cooperating law enforcement agencies whose assistance make this report possible.

### 1.1 NOTICE

The data presented in this report is submitted by law enforcement agencies in Minnesota. Each agency is responsible for the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of the data the agency chooses to submit. Agency policy on what to submit may vary and those variances are reflected in the data and statistics presented.

## Chapter 2

# LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CONTRIBUTING

To assure an accurate interpretation of the data presented in this report, the exact number of law enforcement agencies submitting information must be provided. Reports are submitted according to the definitions of Uniform Crime Reporting. Police departments submit information for cities while sheriff's departments submit information for rural areas. Since 1936, the average percent of sheriff's offices and police departments forwarding information has been at least 94 percent. For 2020, agency participation was 97.6 percent.

Table 2.1: Total Number of Police Department Contributors

Population Group	Population	Agencies	Agencies Reporting
City 250,000 - 499,999	744,975	2	2
City 100,000 - 249,999	120,336	1	1
City 50,000 - 99,999	1,104,937	16	16
City 25,000 - 49,999	749,650	23	23
City 10,000 - 24,999	773,768	47	47
City 2,500 - 9,999	446,107	88	88
City under 2,500	158,577	124	114
Total	4,066,806	301	291

Table 2.2: Total Number of Sheriff's Office Contributors

Population Group	Population	Agencies	Agencies Reporting
Non-metro County 25,000 - 99,999	152,926	5	5
Non-metro County 10,000 - 24,999	293,714	17	17
Non-metro County under 10,000	221,068	38	38
Metro County 100,000 or over	117,093	1	1
Metro County 25,000 - 99,999	539,490	9	9
Metro County 10,000 - 24,999	202,173	12	12
Metro County under 10,000	32,528	5	5
Total	1,572,826	87	87

Table 2.3: Total Number of Non-City Contributors <sup>1</sup>

Population Group	Agencies	Agencies Reporting
City under 2,500	10	10
Non-metro County under 10,000	5	5
Metro County under 10,000	8	8

<sup>1</sup>Non-City entities, such as Minnesota State Patrol, Three Rivers Park District, University of Minn. - Duluth, University of Minn. - Minneapolis, University of Minn. - Morris, Metropolitan Airport Police, Fond du Lac Tribal Police and Mille Lacs Tribal Police are not assigned population numbers.

## Chapter 3

# CRIME REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, PROCEDURES AND FACTORS

### 3.1 BACKGROUND

The state of Minnesota has participated in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program since 1936. Minnesota statutes require and authorize the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to collect UCR data. The statutes are as follows.

#### 3.1.1 Section 299C.05 CRIME DATA COLLECTION.

It shall be the duty of this division to collect, and preserve as a record of the bureau, information concerning the number and nature of offenses known to have been committed in the state, of the legal steps taken in connection therewith from the inception of the complaint to the final discharge of the defendant, and such other information as may be useful in the study of crime and administration of justice. The information so collected and preserved shall include such data as may be requested by the United States Department of Justice, at Washington, under its national system of crime reporting. To the extent possible, the superintendent must utilize a nationally recognized system or standard approved by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to collect and preserve crime data.

#### 3.1.2 Section 299C.06 DIVISION POWERS AND DUTIES; COOPERATION.

It shall be the duty of all sheriff's, chiefs of police, prison wardens, superintendents of hospitals for persons with mental illnesses, reformatories and correctional schools, probation and parole officers, school attendance officers, coroners, county attorneys, court clerks, the commissioner of public safety, the commissioner of transportation, and the state fire marshal to furnish to the division statistics and information regarding the number of crimes reported and discovered; arrests made; complaints, informations and indictments filed, and the disposition made of same; pleas, convictions, acquittals, probations granted or denied; conditional release information; receipts, transfers, and discharges to and from prisons, reformatories, correctional schools and other institutions; paroles granted and revoked; commutation of sentences and pardons granted and rescinded; and all other data useful in determining the cause and amount of crime in this state and to form a basis for the study of crime, police methods, court procedure, and penal problems. Such statistics and information shall be furnished upon the request of the division and upon such forms as may be prescribed and furnished by it. Unless otherwise required or permitted by the superintendent of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, an agency or person furnishing information under this section must utilize a nationally recognized system or standard approved by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for reporting statistics and information. The

division shall have the power to inspect and prescribe the form and substance of the records kept by those officials from which the information is so furnished.

### **3.1.3 Section 299C.12 RECORD KEPT BY PEACE OFFICERS; REPORTS.**

Every peace officer shall keep or cause to be kept a permanent written record, in such form as the superintendent may prescribe, of all felonies reported to or discovered by the officer within the officer's jurisdiction and of all warrants of arrest for felonies and search warrants issued to the officer in relation to the commission of felonies, and shall make or cause to be made to the sheriff of the county and the bureau, reports of all such crimes, upon such forms as the superintendent may prescribe, including a statement of the facts and a description of the offender, so far as known, the offender's method of operation, the action taken by the officer, and such other information as the superintendent may require.

## **3.2 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

The primary goal of the UCR program in Minnesota is to provide statistical information on the volume and effect of crime. The major objectives of Minnesota's UCR Program include:

1. Statistics on crime in Minnesota to be used by the Governor, Legislature, and other concerned individuals.
2. Statistics on crime for administrative and operational use by law enforcement administrators.
3. Statistics on specific criminal offenses to be used in the FBI's national crime reports.
4. Statistics involving the age, sex and race of offenders and bias crime factors to determine the proper focus for crime prevention and enforcement.
5. Statistics on crime for researchers to assist in the understanding of the causes of crime within a biological, sociological and/or psychological framework.
6. Statistics on crime to measure the workload and effectiveness of the current state criminal justice system.
7. Statistics on crime for personnel employed by the criminal justice system to help assist in improving the efficiency and performance of criminal justice agencies.

## **3.3 REPORTING PROCEDURES**

Through Minnesota's crime reporting statutes, participating Minnesota law enforcement agencies are required to submit information as determined by the Department of Public Safety. The required information is tallied from each agency's internal record of complaints, investigations, miscellaneous reports and arrests. To help achieve a uniformity of reporting throughout the state, a copy of the Summary Reporting System User Manual is made available to each agency. Department of Public Safety personnel review the submissions and contact the submitting agency if inconsistent reporting or errors are noted.

The Department of Public Safety, with input from the FBI, established its specific program to measure criminal activity for state and federal purposes. The result is a tabulation of the number and type of offenses committed, cases cleared or solved, and persons arrested. One violation is all that is required to trigger reporting requirements, but a criminal act may involve several crimes, several persons, and several victims. When a criminal act involves more than one offense, only the most serious offense is counted, with some exceptions.

One part of criminal data collection involves juvenile offenses (committed by an individual under age 18). Many times juvenile offenses are handled informally within agencies and therefore go unreported. In cases where an offense involves both adults and juveniles, and subsequent arrests are made of both, the crime reporting program will indicate this offense to be cleared by the arrest of the adult. Juvenile arrests are used for clearance purposes in those instances where only juveniles are involved.

"Clearance by arrest" indicates that at least one person was arrested, cited, or appeared in court based on a summons. This does not preclude the fact that others may also have been involved in the offense.

Clearance Rate is calculated by counting the clearances reported for the year divided by the offenses reported for the year. Clearances that an agency reports in the calendar year may pertain to offenses that occurred in previous years. Therefore an agency could have more clearances than offenses for the year.

Clearing an offense by the arrest of a person(s) is but one means of indicating such activity. Another involves “exceptional clearances.” An exceptional clearance exists when some element beyond law enforcement action prevents formal charges against the offender. Such a situation might arise if:

1. The offender commits suicide.
2. A double murder occurs (two persons kill each other).
3. The offender dies after making a confession (dying declaration).
4. The offender is killed by a law enforcement officer.
5. The offender confesses to committing the crime while already in custody for another crime or serving a sentence.
6. The offender is prosecuted in another city for a different crime by federal, state, or local authorities, or for the same offense, and the other jurisdiction refuses to release the offender.
7. Another jurisdiction refuses to extradite the offender.
8. The victim of a crime refuses to cooperate in the prosecution.
9. The offender is a juvenile who is handled by a verbal or written notice to the parents in instances involving minor offenses.

The count of offenses is the complaints received by law enforcement agencies from victims, witnesses, or other sources, or discovered by agencies. Complaints determined by subsequent investigation to be unfounded are eliminated from the count. The resulting number of actual offenses for each crime offense category is reported whether anyone is arrested, stolen property is recovered, local prosecutorial policy, or any other consideration. Reported offenses are recorded by the agency that has jurisdiction where the offenses occur. Law enforcement agencies also submit additional offense information that is included in this report.

Crime data and information submitted by law enforcement agencies is collected in the Minnesota Crime Reporting System. Once received, it is processed and published for use in state and national reports as well as by the participating agencies.

“Crime rate” is a term used in evaluating criminal statistics. It is the number of crimes reported by law enforcement per 100,000 in population.

### 3.4 CRIME FACTORS

The current method of crime reporting presents several limitations to the accuracy of this report. Law enforcement agencies can only report what is known to them. In many instances crime victims do not inform the law enforcement agency about the crime. The public tends to not report minor crimes or crimes that leave the victim concerned about public embarrassment or personal safety.

Another element of concern is that not all law enforcement agencies report crime information. When agencies neglect to report crime information it reduces the accuracy of the larger crime picture. In addition, while many agencies have transitioned to the National Incident-Based Reporting System, or NIBRS, others continue to report information using the Summary Reporting approach, which only captures the most serious offense when an incident includes multiple offenses. All Minnesota agencies will move to NIBRS reporting by the 2021 reporting period.

“Selective reporting” can also affect the accuracy of this report. Selective reporting reflects only the crimes which an agency considers important or necessary to be reported through the system. This results in a misleading account of the crime picture within a jurisdiction and across the state.

The FBI has also identified conditions beyond the control of law enforcement also affect the measurement and analysis of crime.

- Population density and degree of urbanization.
- Variations in composition of the population, particularly youth concentration.

- Stability of the population with respect to residents; mobility, commuting patterns, and transient factors.
- Economic conditions, including median income, poverty level, and job availability.
- Modes of transportation and highway systems.
- Cultural factors and educational, recreational, and religious characteristics.
- Family conditions with respect to divorce and family cohesiveness.
- Climate.
- Effective strength of law enforcement agencies.
- Administrative and investigative emphases on law enforcement.
- Policies of other components of the criminal justice system (i.e., prosecutorial, judicial, correctional, and probational).
- Citizens' attitudes toward crime.
- Crime reporting practices of the citizenry.

Information provided in the *Minnesota Uniform Crime Report 2020* is as accurate as currently available in the state. Crime and arrest statistics should be interpreted with caution when comparing different law enforcement jurisdictions. Reported crimes relate to events, while arrests relate to persons. For any one criminal act there may be multiple crimes, multiple offenders, and multiple victims.

## 3.5 A DESCRIPTION OF UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING OFFENSES AND THEIR CLASSIFICATION

The Department of Public Safety Bureau of Criminal Apprehension uses reporting techniques recommended by the FBI to record data submitted by Minnesota law enforcement agencies. The submitted data contains information regarding Part I Offenses.

Part I Offenses are ten serious crimes that occur on a regular basis and are likely to be reported to law enforcement.

Part I Offenses are generally referred to as the “Crime Index” measurement. Part II Offenses represent “less serious” crime classifications. Part I and Part II crimes are defined by the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Program.

Part I Offenses include murder, rape, aggravated assault, robbery, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, arson, human trafficking – commercial sex acts, and human trafficking – involuntary servitude. These crimes were chosen by the FBI because of their uniformity of definition, total volumes, and likelihood of being reported. Murder, rape, aggravated assault, human trafficking, and robbery are also known as “violent crimes.” Burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson are considered “property crimes.” A law enforcement agency becomes aware of these crimes in several ways: reports of its own officers, citizen complaints, notification from a prosecuting attorney or information supplied by court officials.

## 3.6 PART I OFFENSE DEFINITIONS (Serious Crime)

### 3.6.1 Criminal Homicide

The killing of another person.

- a) Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter - The willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another. As a general rule, any death caused by injuries received in a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, or commission of a crime is classified as Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter.
- b) Manslaughter - The killing of another person through gross negligence. As a general rule, any death caused by the gross negligence of another is classified as Criminal Homicide — Manslaughter by Negligence.

The ‘Unborn’ age category is considered a homicide by the state of Minnesota, but not by the FBI. Minnesota began collecting this category in 2011.

### 3.6.2 Rape

- a) Penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.
- b) Assault to Rape-Attempts - All assaults and attempts to rape. Does not include Statutory Rape.

### 3.6.3 Robbery

The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

- a) Armed Robbery-Any Weapon - When any object is so employed as to constitute force or the threat of force, it will be considered a weapon. This would include firearms, knives, clubs, brass knuckles, blackjacks, broken bottles, acid, explosives, etc. Cases involving possible pretended weapons or cases involving weapons not seen by the victim but which the robber claims to have with him should be counted in this category.
- b) Strong Arm-No Weapon - This includes muggings and similar offenses where no weapon is used but strong-arm tactics are employed to deprive the victim of his property. This definition is limited to hands, arms, fists, feet, etc. This includes all attempts.

### 3.6.4 Aggravated Assault

An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

- a) Gun - Includes all assaults or attempted assaults involving the use of any type of firearm. This includes revolvers, automatic pistols, shotguns, zip guns, pellet guns, etc.
- b) Knife or Cutting Instrument - Includes all assaults or attempted assaults involving the use of cutting or stabbing objects such as knives or razors, hatchets, axes, cleavers, scissors, glass, broken bottles, daggers, ice picks, etc.
- c) Other Dangerous Weapons - Includes all assaults or attempted assaults when an object other than a gun, knife or cutting instrument is used. This includes clubs, bricks, jack handles, bottles, explosives, acid, lye, poisons, scalding water, and cases of attempted drowning and burning, etc.
- d) Hands, Fists, Feet, etc. Aggravated - Includes all assaults with hands, fists, feet, etc., which could result in an aggravated assault conviction. In order for the crime to be classified as aggravated, the victim must suffer great bodily harm.

### 3.6.5 Burglary - Breaking and Entering

Includes any unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny. A burglary is any unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any dwelling, attached structure, public building, shop, factory, storehouse, apartment, house, trailer, warehouse, mill, farm, ship, railroad car, etc. This does not include breaking and entering of motor vehicles. These are scored in the larceny category.

- a) Forcible Entry - Includes all offenses where force of any kind is used to unlawfully enter a locked structure such as any of those listed above with intent to steal or commit a felony. This includes entry by use of a master key or other device that leaves no mark to open a lock.
- b) Unlawful Entry-No Force - The entry of a structure is achieved by use of an unlocked door or window. The element of trespass to the structure is essential in this category, which includes thefts from open garages, open warehouses, open or unlocked dwellings, and open or unlocked common basement areas in apartment houses where entry is achieved by other than the tenant who has lawful access.
- c) Attempted Forcible Entry - This category includes those situations where a forcible entry is attempted but not achieved.



### **3.6.6 Larceny - Theft (does not include Motor Vehicle Theft)**

The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Larceny and theft are synonymous in the UCR Program. This involves all thefts resulting from pocket picking, purse snatching, shoplifting, larceny from auto, larceny of auto parts and accessories, bicycle theft, larceny from buildings, and larceny from any coin operated machines. Any theft that is not a robbery or any theft that does not result from a breaking and entering shall be scored here. Excludes embezzlements, unlawful conversions, larceny by bailee, frauds or bad checks. When the true or known value of stolen property is not available, estimates based on accepted police methods of property evaluation are used.

### **3.6.7 Motor Vehicle Theft**

Motor Vehicle Theft includes the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle, which the UCR Program defines as a self-propelled vehicle that runs on land surface and not on rails, such as, sport utility vehicles, automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles. This category does not include farm equipment, bulldozers, airplanes, construction equipment, or water craft (motorboats, sailboats, houseboats, or jet skis). Excludes incidents in which the alleged offender had lawful access to the vehicle as in a family situation, or the unauthorized use by others having lawful access to the vehicle such as chauffeur, employee, etc.

### **3.6.8 Arson**

Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. A death resulting from arson will be classified as murder and personal injuries resulting would be classified as assaults.

### **3.6.9 Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts**

Includes all offenses where a person was induced by fraud, or coerced to participate in commercial sex acts, or in which the person induced to perform such act(s) has not attained 18 years of age.

### **3.6.10 Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude**

Included in this category are offenses where a person(s) is obtained through recruitment, harboring, transportation, or provision and subjected by force, fraud, or coercion into involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery (not to include commercial sex acts).

## **3.7 PART II OFFENSE DEFINITIONS (Less Serious Crime)**

### **3.7.1 Other Assaults**

This classification consists of all assaults and attempted assaults which are simple or minor in nature.

### **3.7.2 Forgery and Counterfeiting**

The altering, copying, or imitating of something, without authority or right, with the intent to deceive or defraud by passing the copy or thing altered or imitated as that which is original or genuine. Also includes the selling, buying, or possession of an altered, copied, or imitated thing with the intent to deceive or defraud.

### **3.7.3 Fraud**

The intentional perversion of the truth for the purpose of inducing another person or other entity in reliance upon it to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right. Fraudulent conversion and obtaining of money or property by false pretenses.

#### **3.7.4 Embezzlement**

The misappropriation or misapplication of money or property entrusted to one's care, custody, or control.

#### **3.7.5 Stolen Property - Buying, Receiving, Possessing**

Includes all offenses of buying, receiving, possessing, or concealing stolen property as well as all attempts to commit any of these offenses.

#### **3.7.6 Vandalism - Destruction of Property**

Includes all willful or malicious destruction, injury, disfigurement or defacement of any public or private property, real or personal, without the consent of the owner or person having custody or control by cutting, tearing, breaking, marking, painting, drawing, covering with filth or any other such means as may be specified by law.

#### **3.7.7 Weapons**

The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.

#### **3.7.8 Prostitution and Commercialized Vice**

The unlawful promotion of or participation in sexual activities in exchange for anything of value. To solicit customers or transport persons for prostitution purposes, to own, manage, or operate a dwelling or other establishment for the purpose of providing a place where prostitution is performed, or to otherwise assist or promote prostitution.

#### **3.7.9 Sex Offenses**

Includes all sex offenses other than forcible rape, prostitution, and commercialized vice. This encompasses offenses against chastity, common decency, and morals.

#### **3.7.10 Drug Abuse Violation**

The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs.

#### **3.7.11 Gambling**

Includes all charges relating to promoting, permitting, or engaging in illegal gambling.

#### **3.7.12 Offenses Against Family and Children**

Unlawful nonviolent acts by a family member (or legal guardian) that threaten the physical, mental, or economic well-being or morals of another family member and that are not classifiable as other offenses, such as Assault or Sex Offenses. Includes all charges of non-support, neglect, or abuse of family and children by such acts as desertion, abandonment, or non-support, neglect or abuse of a child, or nonpayment of alimony.

#### **3.7.13 Driving Under the Influence**

Driving or operating a motor vehicle or common carrier while mentally or physically impaired as the result of consuming an alcoholic beverage or using a drug or narcotic.

### **3.7.14 Liquor Laws**

With the exception of drunkenness and driving under the influence, all state or local liquor law violations are placed in this class. Excludes federal violations, includes manufacturing, selling, transporting and furnishing as in maintaining unlawful drinking places. Bootlegging, operating a still, furnishing liquor to a minor and using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor are included.

### **3.7.15 Disorderly Conduct - Disturbing the Peace**

Any behavior that tends to disturb the public peace or decorum, scandalize the community, or shock the public sense of morality. This classification includes:

- Unlawful assembly
- Disturbing the peace
- Disturbing meetings
- Disorderly conduct in state institutions, at court, at fairs, on trains or public conveyances, etc.
- Blasphemy, profanity, and obscene language
- Refusing to assist an officer
- Attempts to commit any of the above

### **3.7.16 Vagrancy**

The violation of a court order, regulation, ordinance, or law requiring the withdrawal of persons from the streets or other specified areas, prohibiting persons from remaining in an area or place in an idle or aimless manner, or prohibiting persons from going from place to place without visible means of support.

### **3.7.17 All Other Offenses**

All violations of state or local laws not specifically identified as Part I or Part II offenses, except traffic violations. This classification includes:

- Admitting minors to improper places
- Bigamy and polygamy
- Blackmail and extortion
- Contempt of court
- Kidnapping
- Possession of drug paraphernalia
- Riot and rout, etc.
- Attempts to commit any of the above

### **3.7.18 Curfew and Loitering Law Violation (Juvenile)**

Offenses relating to local curfew or loitering ordinances, where such laws exist.

### **3.7.19 Runaways (Juvenile)**

This classification is limited to juveniles taken into protective custody under provisions of state statutes.

## Chapter 4

# MINNESOTA OFFENSE INFORMATION

### 4.1 CRIME INDEX - SERIOUS (OR PART I) CRIMES

In previous years ten major criminal offenses were referred to as the *crime index* and they were used to evaluate the changes and trends in amounts of crime over designated periods of time. Following is a summary of the crime index for 2020 utilizing the same ten major criminal offenses in order to present a historical comparison from past years.

- The **crime index** in Minnesota totaled: 134,880 offenses during 2020, which was an increase of 3.5 percent from the 130,373 offenses occurring in 2019.
- The crime rate<sup>1</sup> represented 2,384.2 per 100,000 in population for 2020, while in 2019 the crime rate was registered at 2,311.7 per 100,000 population, an increase of 3.1 percent.
- Of the total crime index offenses reported in 2020, 20 percent were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared. In 2019, 27 percent of the total offenses were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared.
- Larceny was the largest category of serious crime reported for Minnesota in 2020 with a total of 89,130 offenses reported. Larceny was the largest category of serious crime reported for the state in 2019 with 90,257 total offenses reported.

Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts and Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude were added to UCR crime reporting as Part I violent crimes by the FBI in 2008. Minnesota began collecting and reporting the two additional Part I offenses in 2014.

#### 4.1.1 Violent Crimes

Violent crime in Minnesota accounted for 15.9 percent of all offenses reported in 2020. There were 14,589 total violent crimes (murders, rapes, robberies, aggravated assaults and human trafficking offenses) for the year. Compared with the 12,509 total violent crimes reported for 2019, the 2020 figure represents an increase of 16.6 percent in violent crime for the state. The number of violent crimes for the state per 100,000 population for 2020 was 257.9 while in 2019 there were 221.8 per 100,000 population.

- **Murder** - Offenses involving murder totaled 185 in 2020 in Minnesota compared to 117 in 2019, an increase of 58.1 percent.
- **Rape** - There were 2,222 rapes reported in 2020 and 2,431 in 2019, a decrease of 8.6 percent.
- **Robbery** - There were 3,885 robberies reported in 2020 and 3,081 in 2019, an increase of 26.1 percent.
- **Aggravated Assault** - Offenses involving aggravated assault totaled 8,203 in 2020 in Minnesota compared to 6,742 in 2019, an increase of 21.7 percent.

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<sup>1</sup>Minnesota crime rates per 100,000 are based on the 5657342 state population estimate from the FBI for 2020.

- **Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts** - There were 81 commercial sex acts reported in 2020 and 128 in 2019, a decrease of 36.7 percent.<sup>2</sup>
- **Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude** - There were 13 involuntary servitude incidents reported in 2020 and 10 in 2019.

#### 4.1.2 Property Crimes

Property crime in Minnesota in 2020 amounted to 89.2 percent of the crime index offenses for that year. There were a total of 120,291 property crimes (burglaries, larcenies, motor vehicle thefts, and arsons) reported in 2020. Compared with the 117,864 offenses reported in 2019, the 2020 figure represents an increase of 2.1 percent in property crime for the state. The number of property crimes for the state per 100,000 population for 2020 was 2126.3 and in 2019 it was 2089.9.

- **Burglary** - There were 16,789 burglaries reported in 2020 and 15,735 in 2019, an increase of 6.7 percent.
- **Theft - Larceny** - There were 89,130 larcenies reported in 2020 and 90,257 in 2019, a decrease of 1.2 percent.
- **Motor Vehicle Theft** - There were 13,662 motor vehicle thefts reported in 2020 and 11,410 in 2019, an increase of 19.7 percent.
- **Arson** - There were 710 arsons reported in 2020 and 462 in 2019, an increase of 53.7 percent.

#### 4.1.3 Total Arrests<sup>3</sup>

Law enforcement agencies within Minnesota's 5,657,342 reporting population area reported 119,426 total arrests for UCR reported crime in 2020.

- **Adult Arrests** - There were 108,546 arrests of adults in 2020 and 130,452 in 2019.
- **Juvenile Arrests** - There were 10,880 arrests of juveniles in 2020 and 19,582 in 2019.

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<sup>2</sup>Some cases classified as Human Trafficking–Commercial Sex Acts involve a law enforcement officer posing online as a prostitute under age 18. An offender agrees to a commercial sex act with a person they believe is underage and a meeting is set up. The offender arrives at the meeting place and is arrested. In this type of case, when there isn't a real victim, the FBI has determined that law enforcement must enter **Unknown** for the victim information.

<sup>3</sup>Total arrests represent all arrests for adults and juveniles in either a Part I (serious) or Part II (less serious) criminal offense.

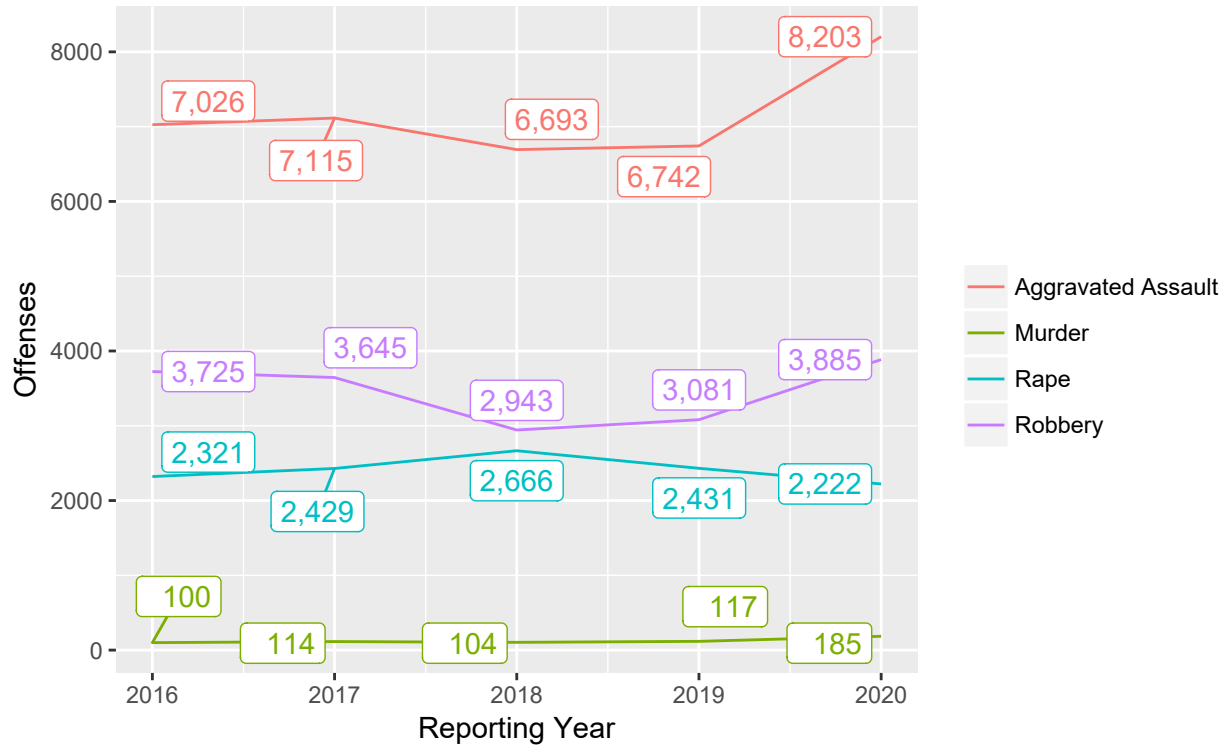


Figure 4.1: Violent Crimes Reported

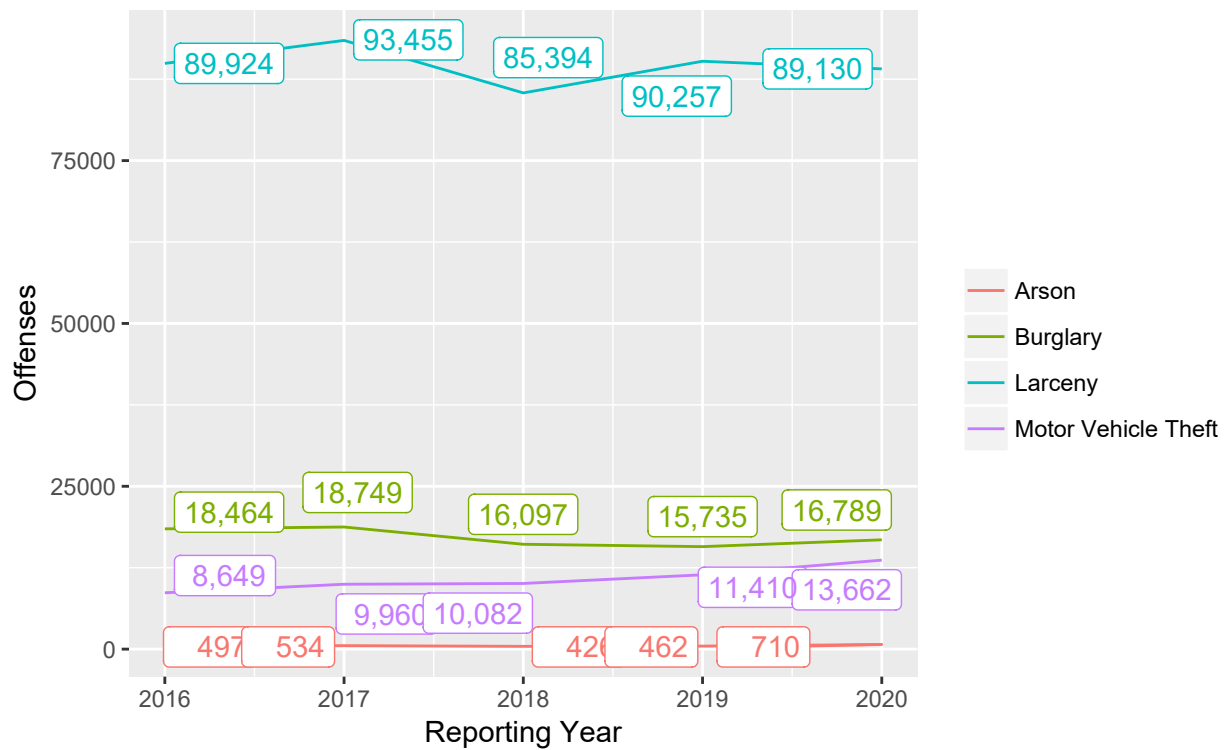


Figure 4.2: Property Crimes Reported

## 4.2 CRIMES OF VIOLENCE

### 4.2.1 Criminal Homicide - Murder

Criminal homicide involves those offenses of murder and non-negligent homicide that are classified as willful felonious deaths as distinguished from deaths caused by negligence. “Attempts to kill” are reported as aggravated assaults and not as murder. Justifiable or excusable homicides, suicides, accidental deaths, and deaths due to negligence are not tabulated in the state criminal homicide total.

#### 4.2.1.1 Summary Homicide Information

- In 2020 there were 222 homicides reported for the state. Of that number, 36 offenses were ruled negligent and 1 were ruled unfounded or justifiable, yielding a total of 185 criminal homicide victims.
- 121 criminal homicides were cleared in 2020.
- The crime rate for criminal homicide in 2020 was 3.3 per 100,000 population. Data on Homicide of an Unborn victim is collected to meet Minnesota reporting requirements. It does not meet the FBI’s Uniform Crime Reporting definition of Homicide. As a result, Homicide of an Unborn appears as a separate category in Minnesota Crime Book. There was 1 Homicide of an Unborn in 2020.

#### 4.2.1.2 Supplementary Homicide Information

Supplementary Homicide Reports are submitted to the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension by law enforcement agencies reporting homicides during the year. These reports provided additional information about the homicide offenses. The following information was compiled from reports on 177 criminal homicide incidents with 185 victims during 2020.

- 200 of the weapons used in criminal homicides were some type of firearm (75 percent).
- Of the victims killed in criminal homicides involving firearms:
  - 14 were killed by a family member
  - 26 were killed by a friend or acquaintance
  - 6 were killed by a stranger
  - 83 were killed by an offender with an unknown relationship to the victim.

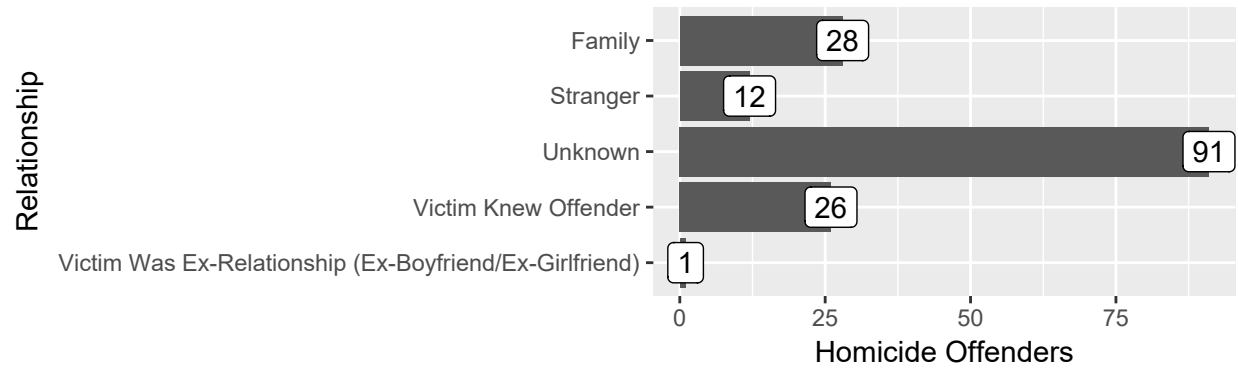


Figure 4.3: Criminal Homicides by Relationship to Offender

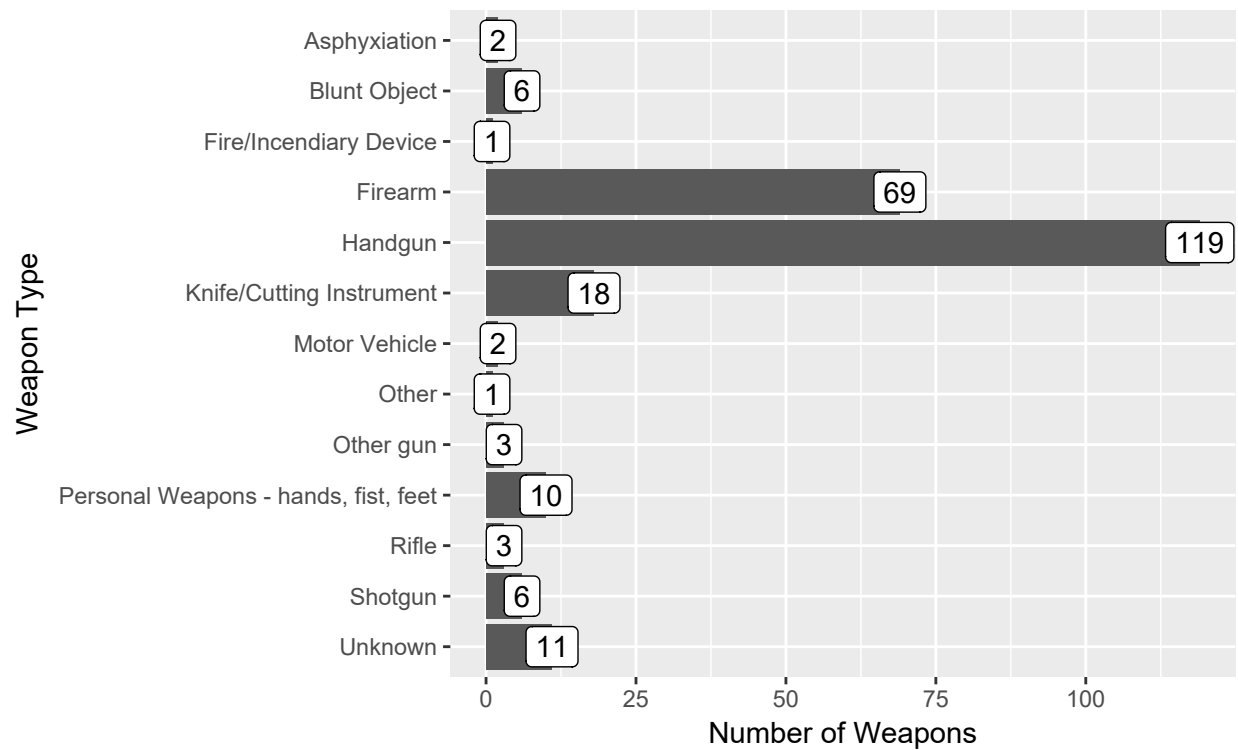


Figure 4.4: Weapons Used in Committing Criminal Homicides



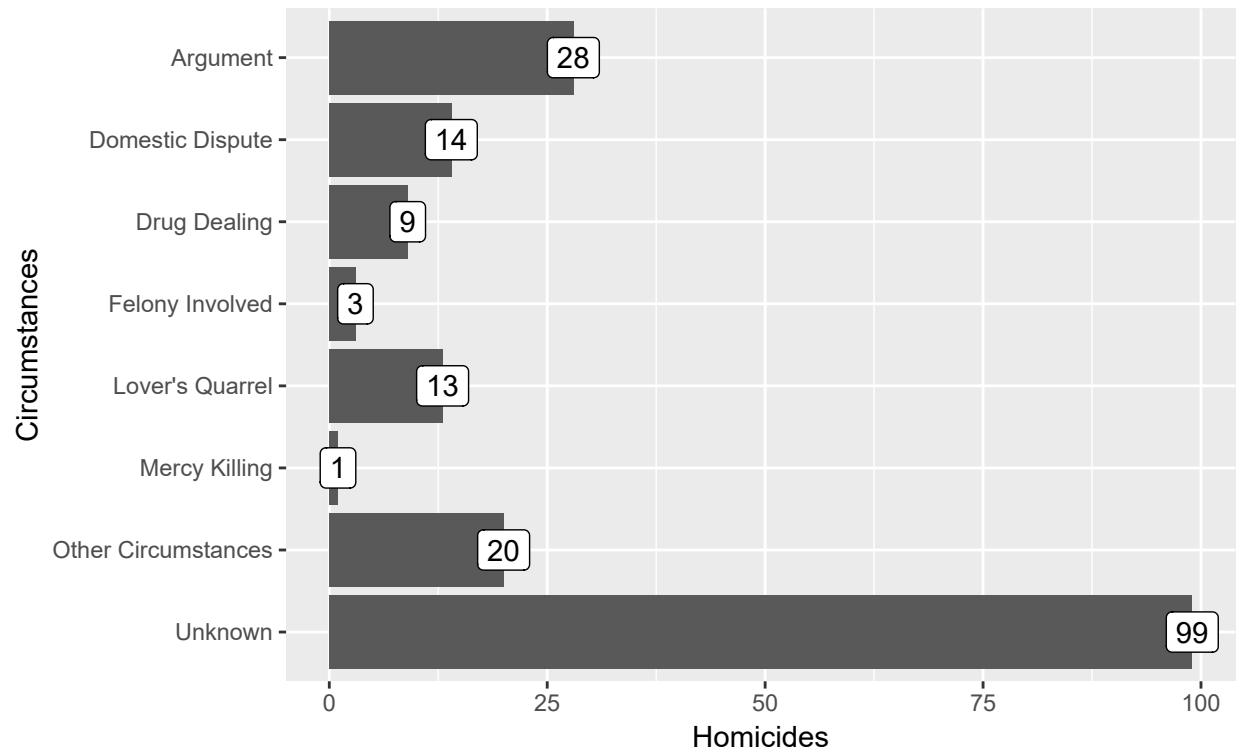


Figure 4.5: Circumstances Indicated for Criminal Homicide Incidents

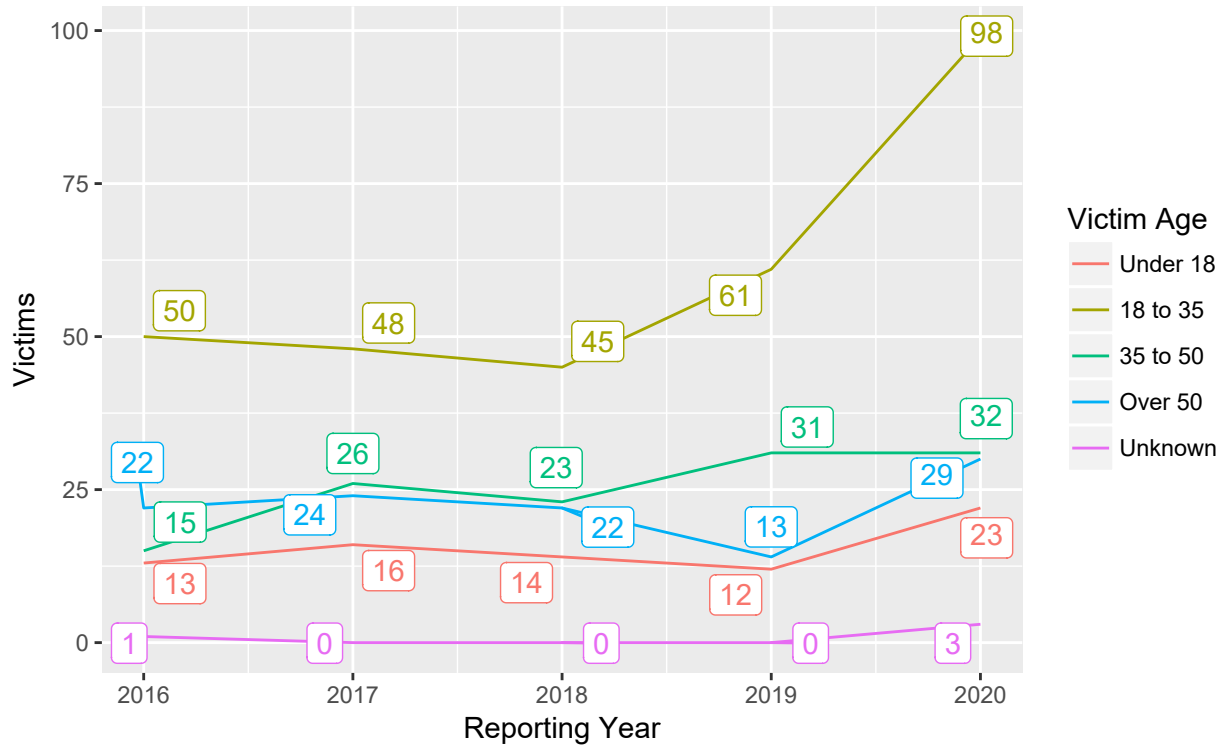


Figure 4.6: Homicide Victims by Age

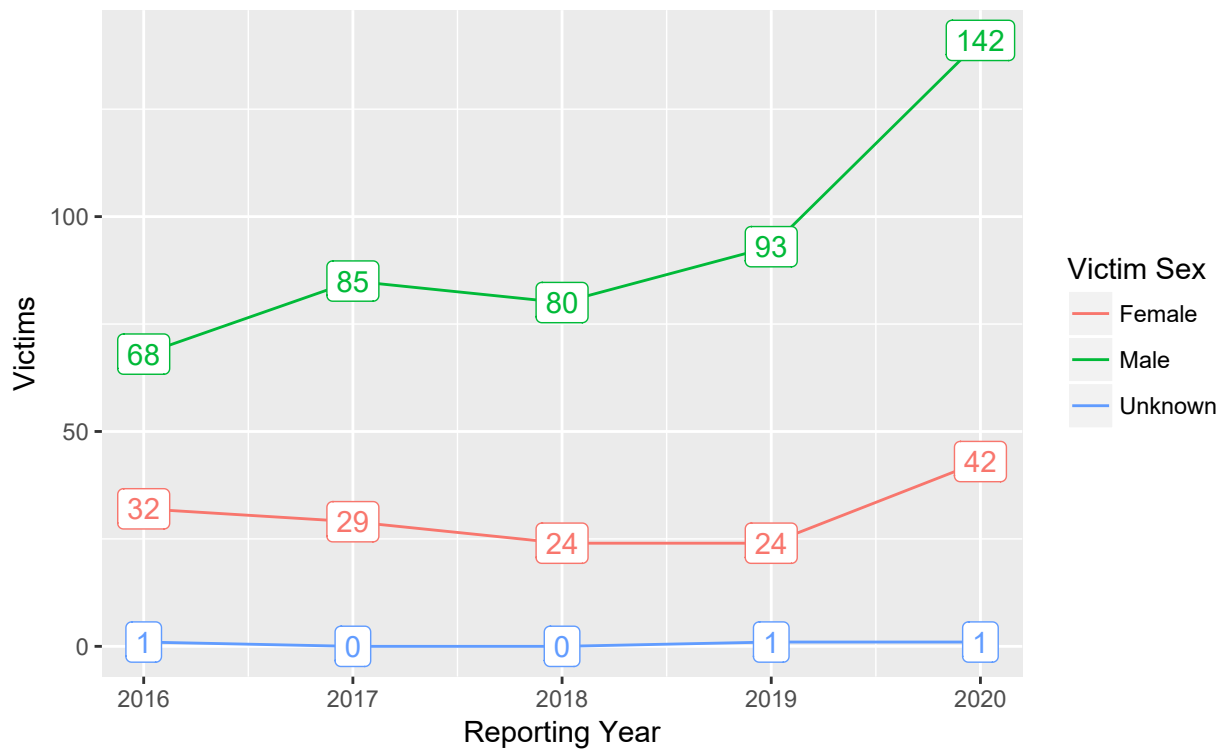


Figure 4.7: Homicide Victims by Sex

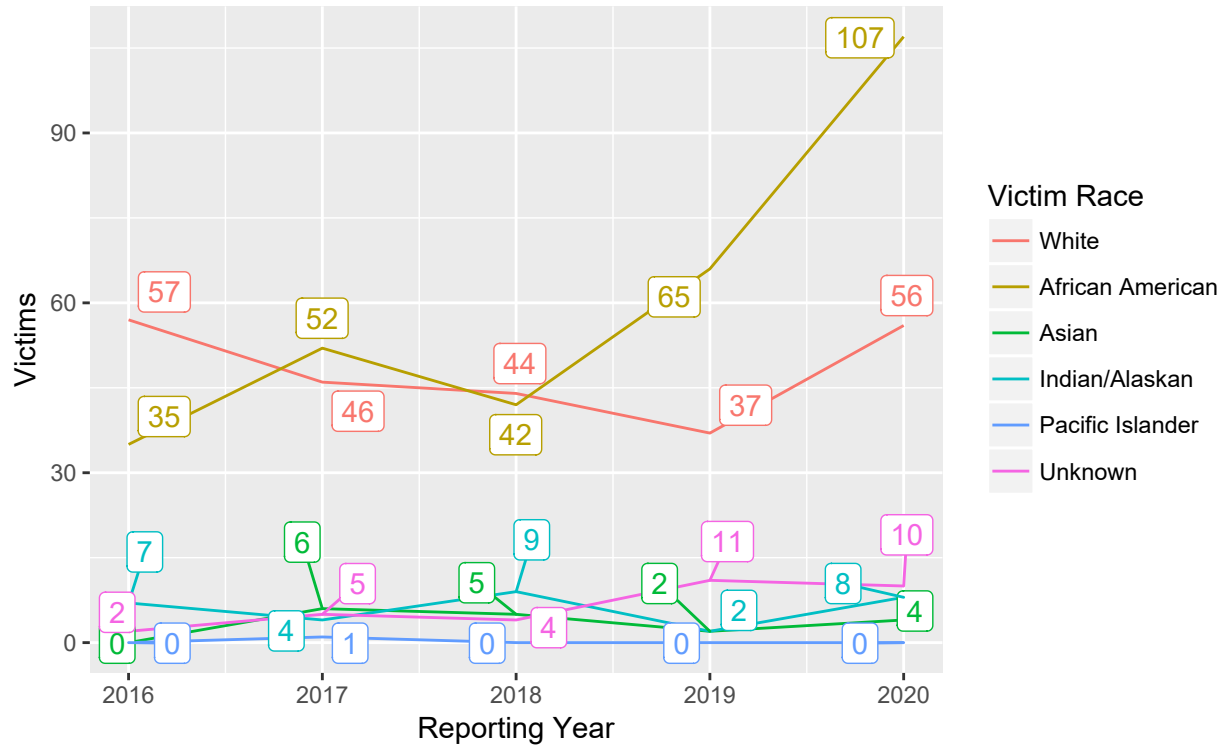


Figure 4.8: Homicide Victims by Race

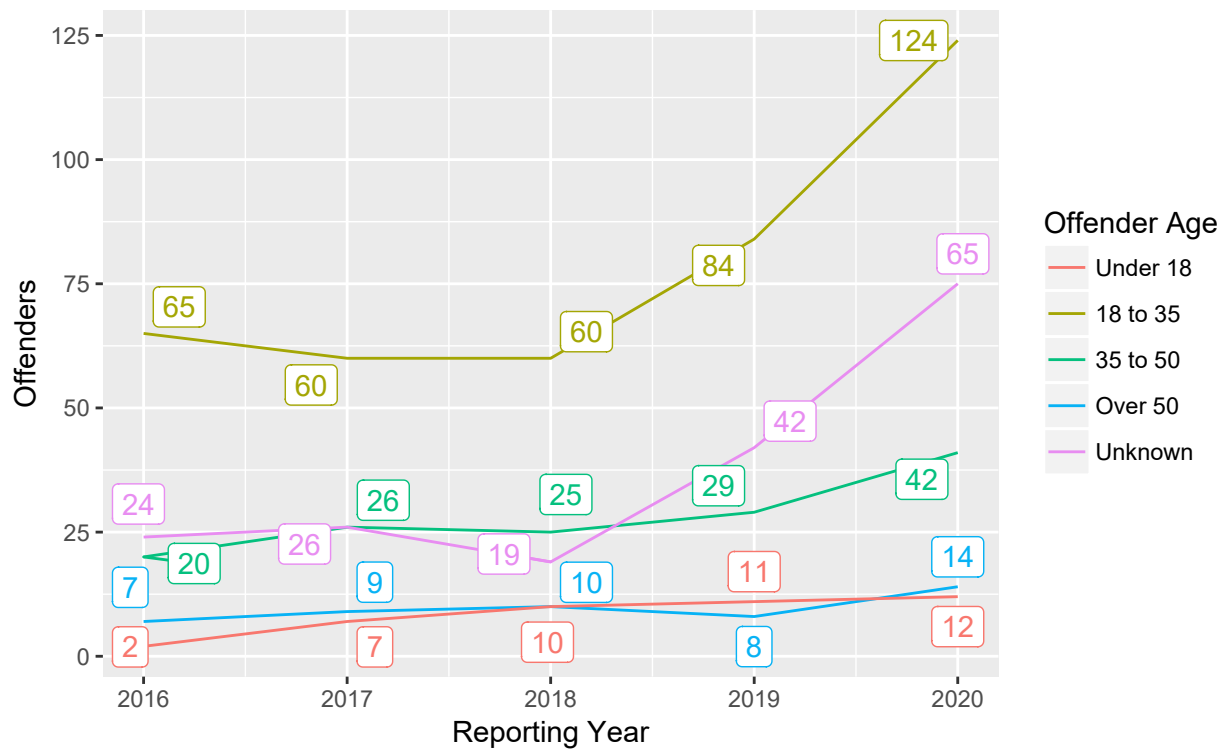


Figure 4.9: Homicide Offenders by Age

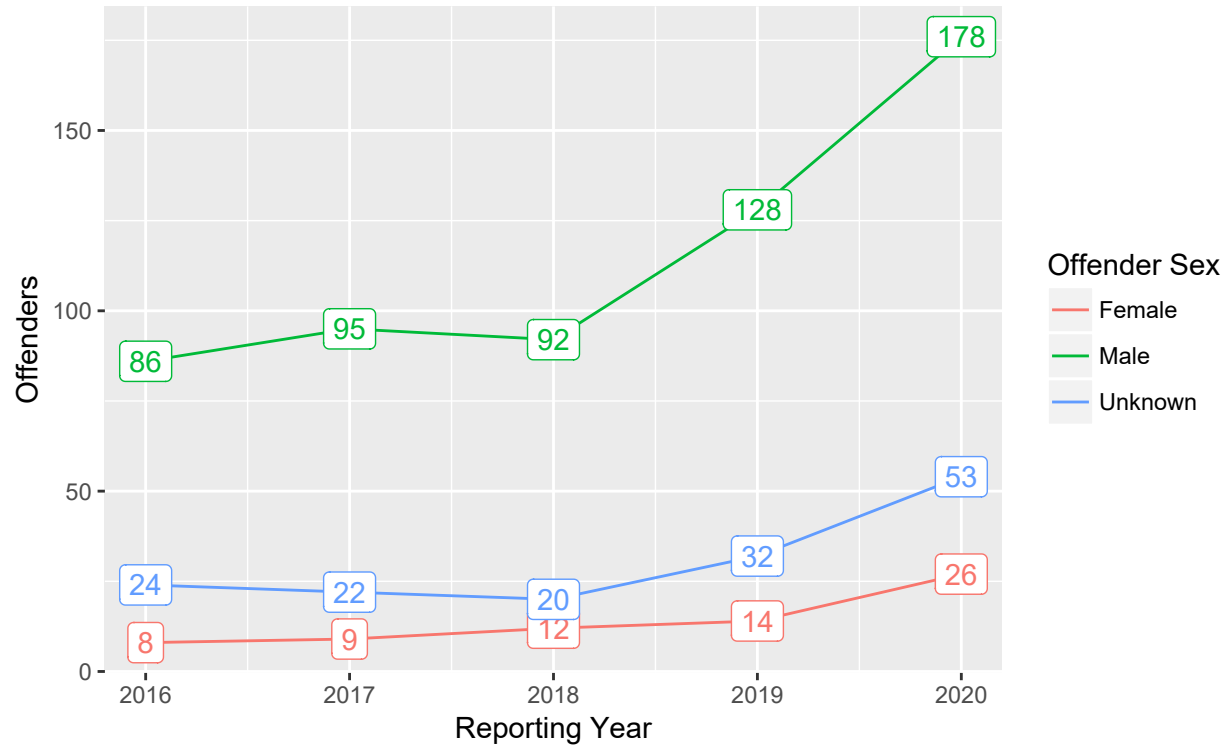


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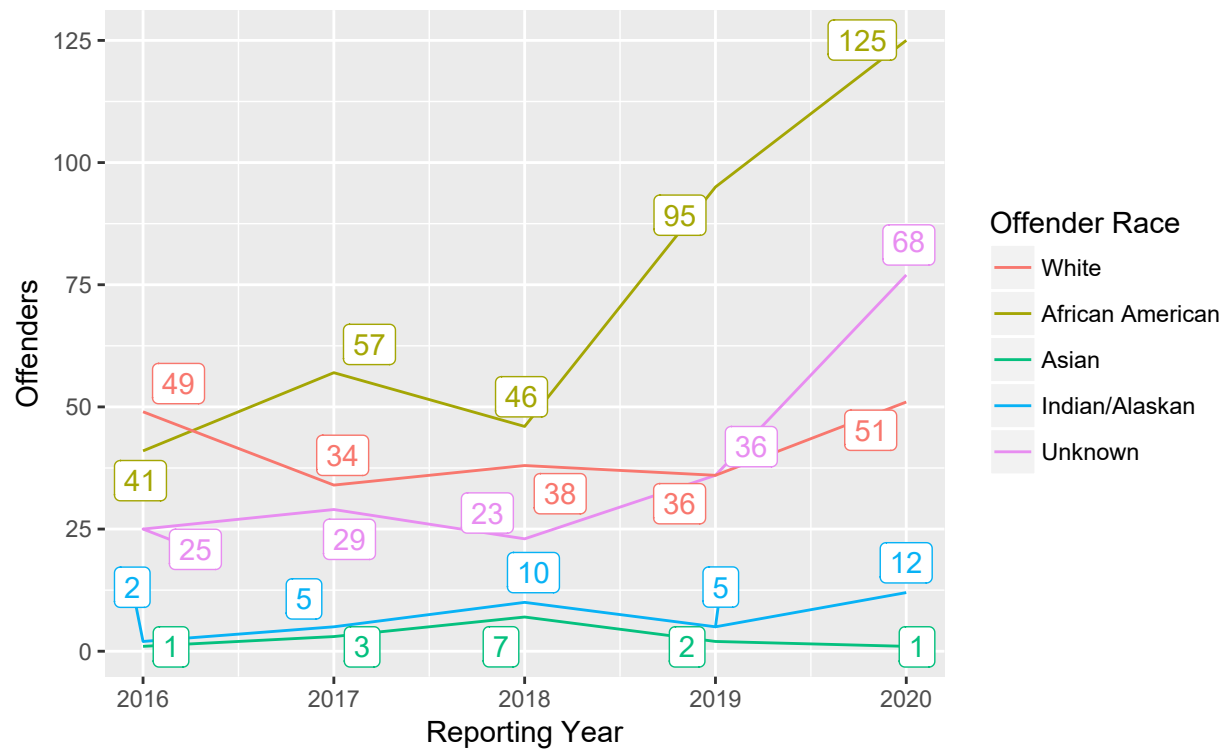


Figure 4.11: Homicide Offenders by Race

Table 4.1: Criminal Homicide Victims by Age and Race

Victim Age Group	White	African American	Asian	Indian/Alaskan	Unknown	Total
Under 10	5	4	0	2	0	11
15 to 18	2	8	0	0	2	12
18 to 20	2	9	0	0	0	11
20 to 25	8	19	1	1	2	31
25 to 30	8	25	0	2	1	36
30 to 35	3	17	0	0	0	20
35 to 40	4	5	0	1	1	11
40 to 45	2	6	1	0	2	11
45 to 50	3	6	1	0	0	10
50 to 55	3	2	0	1	0	6
55 to 60	4	3	1	0	0	8
60 to 65	5	1	0	1	0	7
Over 65	7	0	0	0	1	8
Unknown	0	2	0	0	1	3
Total	56	107	4	8	10	185

Table 4.2: Criminal Homicide Victims by Age and Sex

Victim Age Group	Female	Male	Unknown	Total
Under 10	3	8	0	11
15 to 18	1	11	0	12
18 to 20	2	9	0	11
20 to 25	3	28	0	31
25 to 30	8	28	0	36
30 to 35	2	18	0	20
35 to 40	5	6	0	11
40 to 45	3	8	0	11
45 to 50	2	8	0	10
50 to 55	2	4	0	6
55 to 60	2	6	0	8
60 to 65	4	3	0	7
Over 65	4	4	0	8
Unknown	1	1	1	3
Total	42	142	1	185

Table 4.3: Criminal Homicide Offenders by Age and Race

Offender Age Group	White	African American	Asian	Indian/Alaskan	Unknown	Total
15 to 18	1	10	1	0	0	12
18 to 20	3	10	0	3	0	16
20 to 25	7	34	0	1	2	44
25 to 30	7	24	0	3	6	40
30 to 35	6	13	0	3	2	24
35 to 40	8	12	0	0	3	23
40 to 45	4	11	0	0	0	15
45 to 50	3	1	0	0	0	4
50 to 55	2	1	0	1	0	4
55 to 60	4	0	0	0	1	5
60 to 65	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 65	4	1	0	0	0	5
Unknown	2	8	0	1	54	65
Total	51	125	1	12	68	257

Table 4.4: Criminal Homicide Offenders by Age and Sex

Offender Age Group	Female	Male	Unknown	Total
Under 10	0	0	0	0
15 to 18	0	12	0	12
18 to 20	0	16	0	16
20 to 25	6	37	1	44
25 to 30	4	33	3	40
30 to 35	2	21	1	24
35 to 40	9	14	0	23
40 to 45	1	14	0	15
45 to 50	2	2	0	4
50 to 55	0	4	0	4
55 to 60	0	5	0	5
60 to 65	0	0	0	0
Over 65	0	5	0	5
Unknown	2	15	48	65
Total	26	178	53	257

Table 4.5: Homicides by Reporting Agency

Agency	AgencyORI	Criminal Homicide Victims	Criminal Homicide Incidents
Anoka County Sheriff	MN0020000	2	2
Apple Valley Police Dept	MN0191000	3	2
Austin Police Dept	MN0500100	4	2
Beltrami County Sheriff	MN0040000	3	3
Bemidji Police Dept	MN0040100	1	1
Blaine Police Dept	MN0020200	2	2
Bloomington Police Dept	MN0270100	5	5
Brooklyn Park Police Dept	MN0270300	1	1
Clay County Sheriff	MN0140000	1	1
Cloquet Police Dept	MN0090100	2	1
Columbia Heights Police Dept	MN0020400	1	1
Coon Rapids Police Dept	MN0020500	1	1
Crystal Police Dept	MN0270400	2	2
Eagan Police Dept	MN0190800	1	1
Elk River Police Dept	MN0710200	1	1
Forest Lake Police Dept	MN0820200	1	1
Goodhue County Sheriff	MN0250000	1	1
Hawley Police Dept	MN0140300	1	1
Hector Police Dept	MN0650200	1	1
Lino Lakes Police Dept	MN0020700	1	1
Mankato DPS	MN0070100	1	1
Maple Grove Police Dept	MN0272700	7	5
Metropolitan Transit Police Dept	MN0274300	1	1
Mille Lacs County Sheriff	MN0480000	1	1
Minneapolis Police Dept	MN0271100	82	81
Moorhead Police Dept	MN0140400	2	2
Olmsted County Sheriff	MN0550000	1	1
Owatonna Police Dept	MN0740100	1	1
Perham Police Dept	MN0560300	1	1
Pine County Sheriff	MN0580000	1	1
Ramsey County Sheriff	MN0620000	1	1
Rochester Police Dept	MN0550100	5	4
Roseau County Sheriff	MN0680000	1	1
Savage Police Dept	MN0700600	1	1
Scott County Sheriff	MN0700000	1	1
Shakopee Police Dept	MN0700400	1	1
Sherburne County Sheriff	MN0710000	2	2
South St Paul Police Dept	MN0190600	2	2
St Cloud Police Dept	MN0730400	1	1
St Louis County Sheriff	MN0690000	1	1
St Paul Police Dept	MN0620900	32	32
Todd County Sheriff	MN0770000	1	1
West St Paul Police Dept	MN0190700	2	2
Winona County Sheriff	MN0850000	1	1
Total		185	177

### 4.2.2 Rape

On January 1, 2013, the FBI changed the Uniform Crime Reporting national definition of rape “the carnal knowledge of a female, forcibly and against her will” to “penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of a victim.” Statutory rape and other sex offenses are excluded from this category. Minnesota has always collected information on both male and female rape victims for state reporting. All figures presented will include both male and female victims.

#### 4.2.2.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 2,247 rapes reported in 2020, 25 were listed as unfounded.
- There were 2,222 reported rapes that occurred in Minnesota in 2020; 2,148 were reported as completed while 74 were reported as attempted rapes.
- 729 rapes were cleared by arrest in 2020, 93 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for rape in 2020 represented 39.3 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 43.1 per 100,000 population.

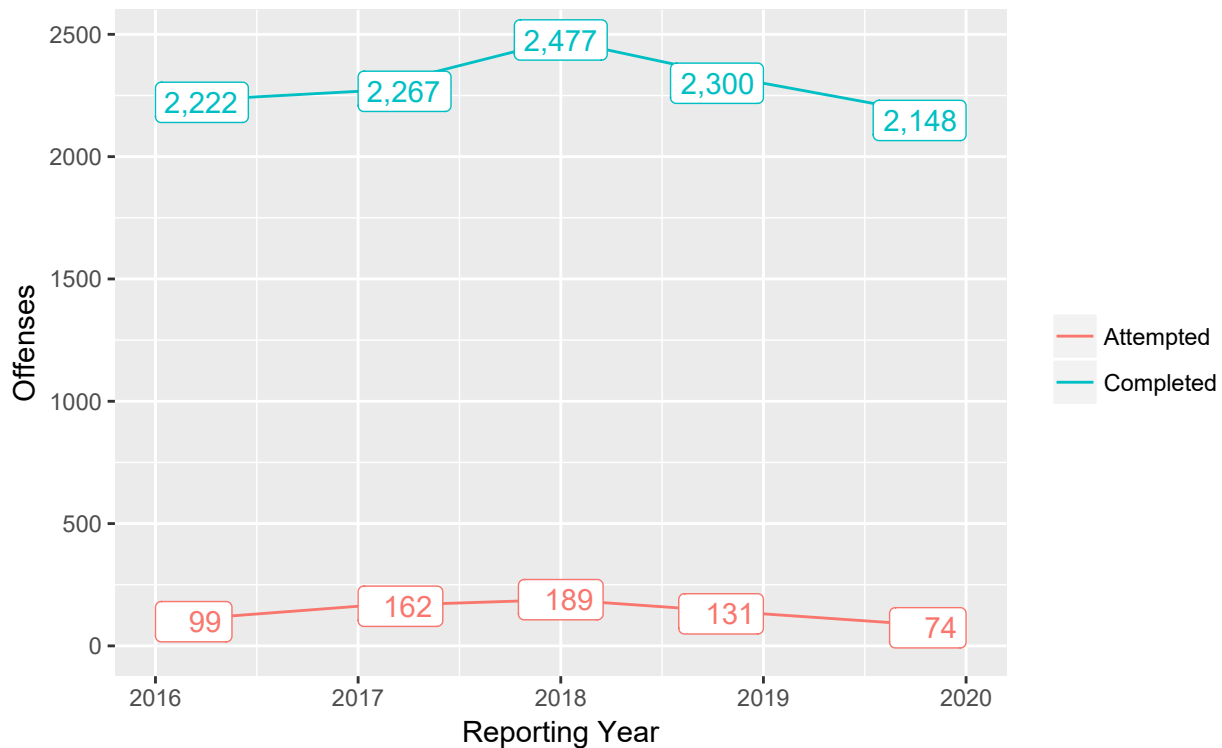


Figure 4.12: Rapes Completed and Attempted



### 4.2.3 Robbery

Robbery involves the felonious and forcible taking of the property of another against their will, by violence or by placing the person in a state of fear. The crime of robbery necessitates that a victim be present. Robbery differs from larceny in that it is aggravated by the threat and element of force. An attempt to commit a robbery, either armed or strong-arm, is counted as if the actual offense did occur.

#### 4.2.3.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 3,897 robberies reported in 2020, 12 were listed as unfounded.
- 843 robberies were cleared by arrest in 2020, 193 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for robbery in 2020 represented 68.7 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 54.6 per 100,000 population.

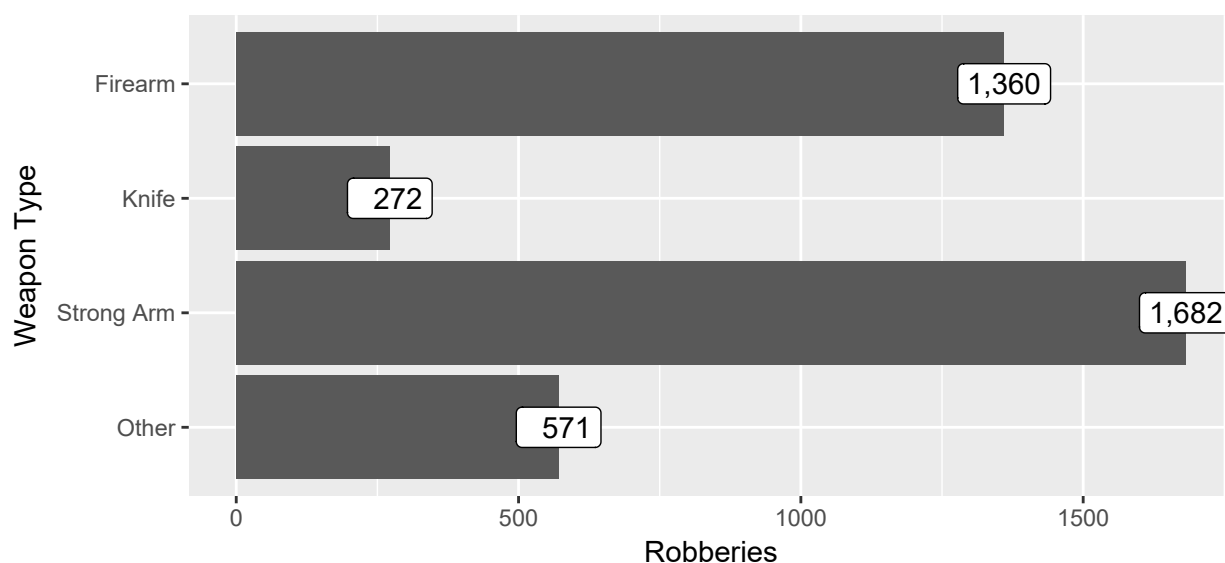


Figure 4.13: Types of Weapons Used for Robberies

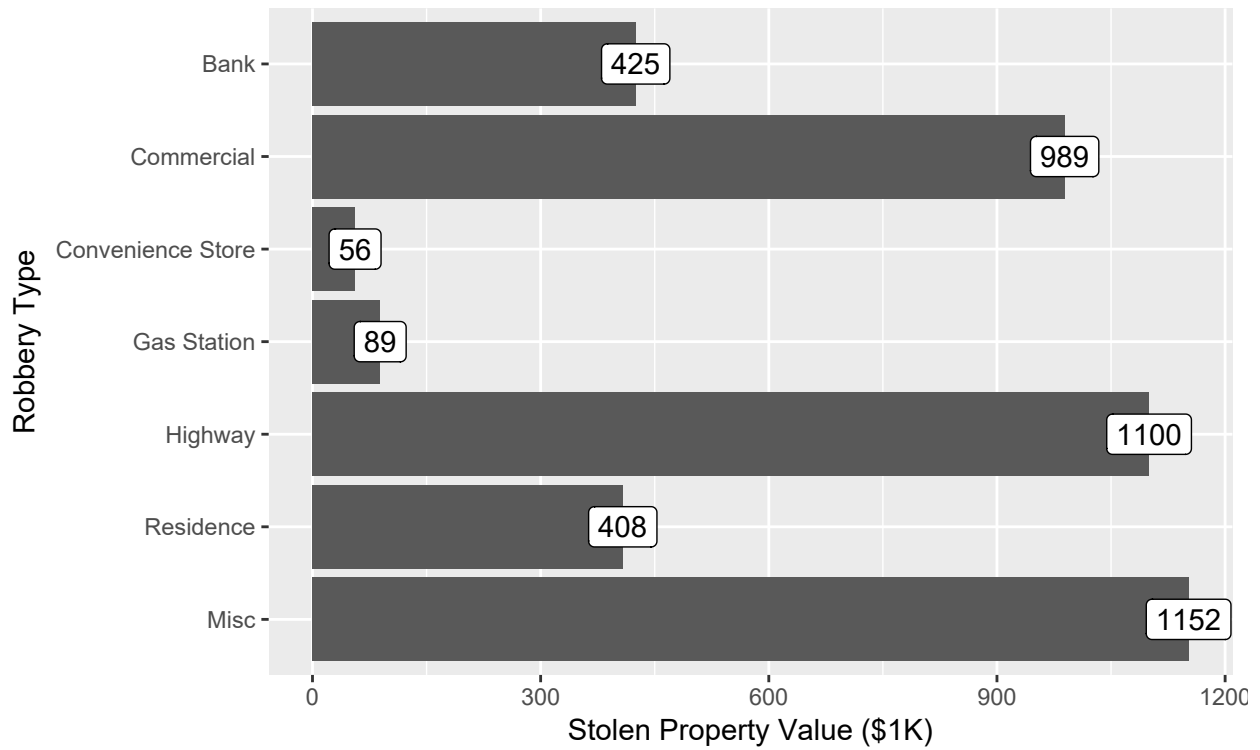


Figure 4.14: Total Stolen Property Value by Robbery Type

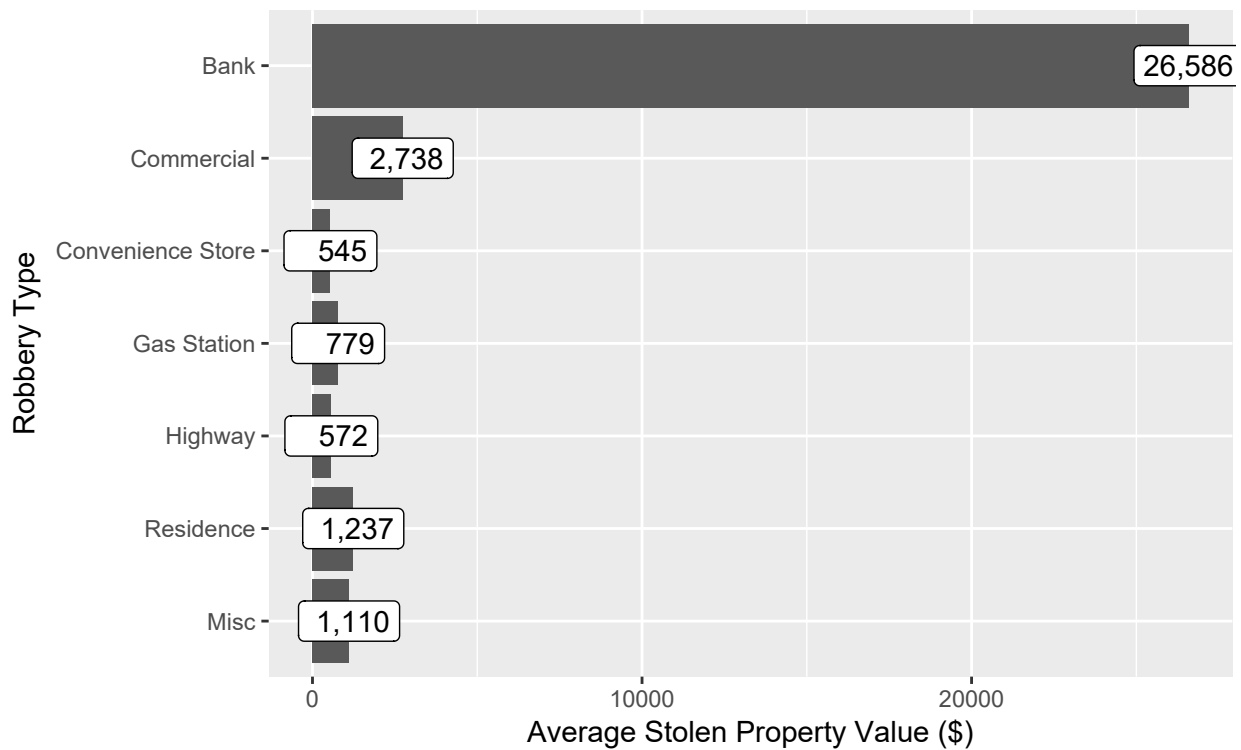


Figure 4.15: Average Stolen Property Value by Robbery Type

#### 4.2.4 Aggravated Assault

Aggravated assault is an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. An aggravated assault may be committed with a gun, knife or cutting instrument, other dangerous weapons such as clubs, or through the use of hands, fists or feet. Assault with intent to commit murder is also listed as aggravated assault.

All assaults where no weapon is used which result in minor injuries are classified as other assaults and are not counted in the Part I crime total.

##### 4.2.4.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 8,219 aggravated assaults reported in 2020, 16 were listed as unfounded.
- 4,351 aggravated assaults were cleared by arrest in 2020, 280 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for aggravated assault in 2020 represented 145 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 119.5 per 100,000 population

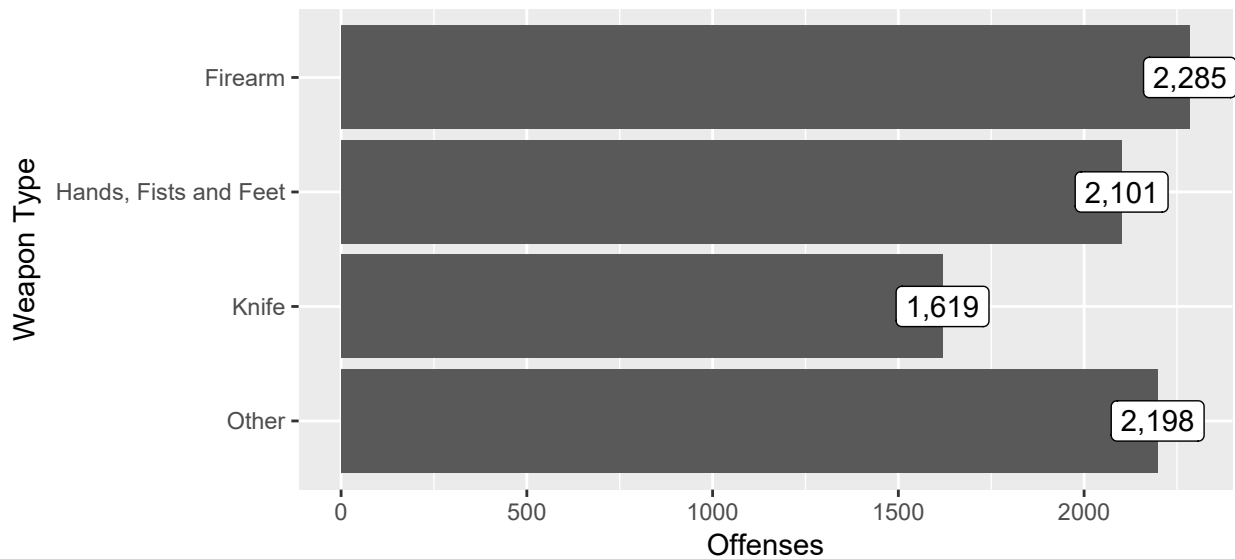


Figure 4.16: Types of Weapons Used for Aggravated Assaults

## 4.2.5 Human Trafficking

### 4.2.5.1 Background

The William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 requires the FBI to collect human trafficking offense data as Part I violent crimes. The act makes distinctions between assisting or promoting prostitution, purchasing prostitution, and prostitution. To comply with the Wilberforce Act, the FBI UCR Program added two Part I offenses, Human Trafficking – Commercial Sex Acts, and Human Trafficking – Involuntary Servitude. Minnesota human trafficking offense and arrest data for 2020 is included in this report.

2014 was the first full year this information was collected.

Some cases classified as Human Trafficking – Commercial Sex Acts involve a law enforcement officer posing online as a prostitute under age 18. An offender agrees to a commercial sex act with a person they believe is underage and a meeting is set up. The offender arrives at the meeting place and is arrested. In this type of case, when there isn't a real victim, the FBI has determined that law enforcement must report Unknown for the victim information.

### 4.2.5.2 Definitions

**Human Trafficking – Commercial Sex Acts** – Inducing a person by force, fraud, or coercion to participate in commercial sex acts, or in which the person induced to perform such act(s) has not attained 18 years of age.

**Human Trafficking – Involuntary Servitude** – The obtaining of a person(s) through recruitment, harboring, transportation, or provision, and subjecting such persons by force, fraud, or coercion into involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery (not to include commercial sex acts).

### 4.2.5.3 Summary

- Agencies reported 81 incidents of Human Trafficking in 2020.
- Some agencies reported victim and offender data. Of the data reported, there were 94 Human Trafficking victims reported in 2020, of which 81 were reported under Commercial Sex Acts.
- The crime rate for human trafficking in 2020 was 1.7 per 100,000 population.

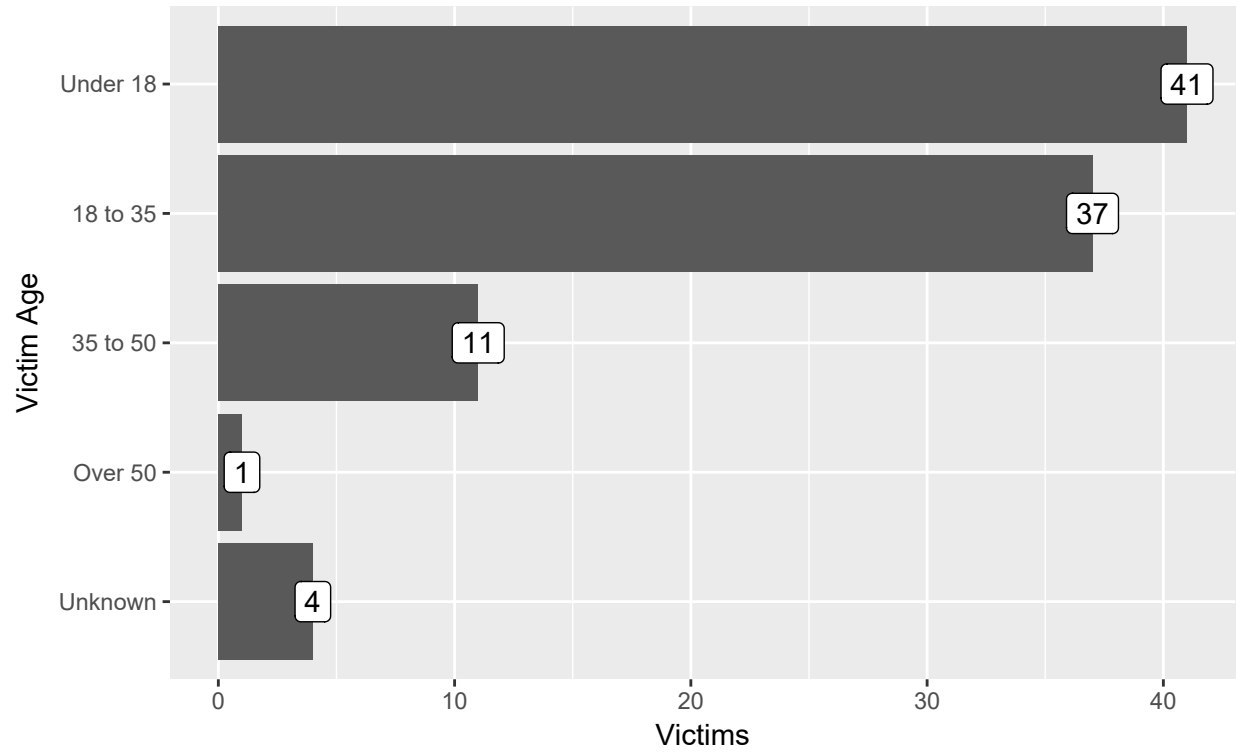


Figure 4.17: Human Trafficking Victims by Age

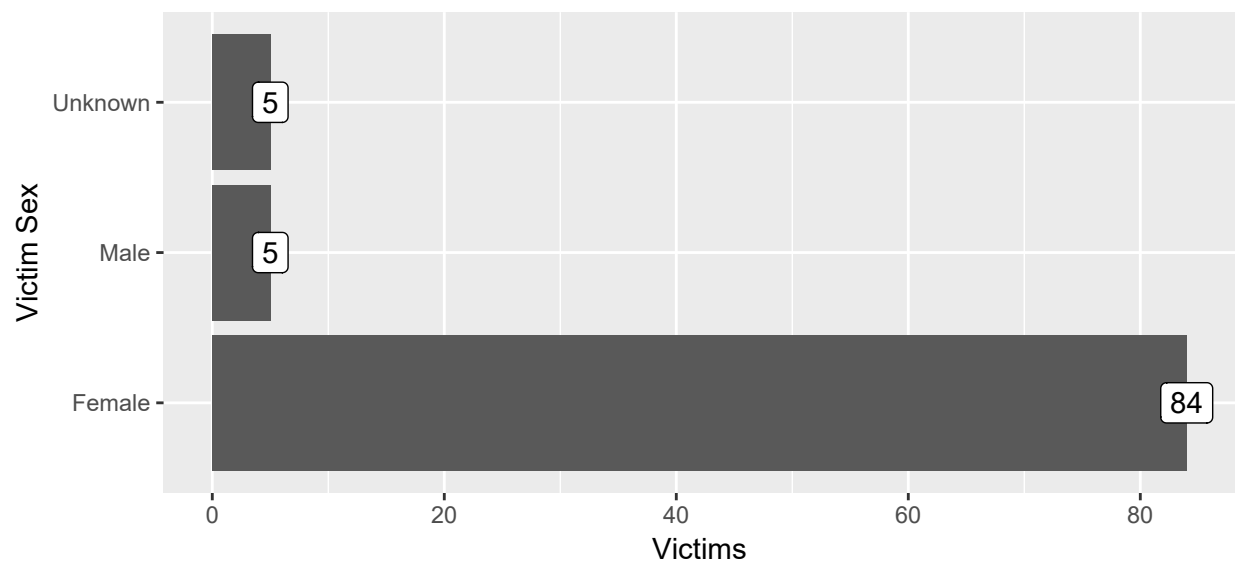


Figure 4.18: Human Trafficking Victims by Sex

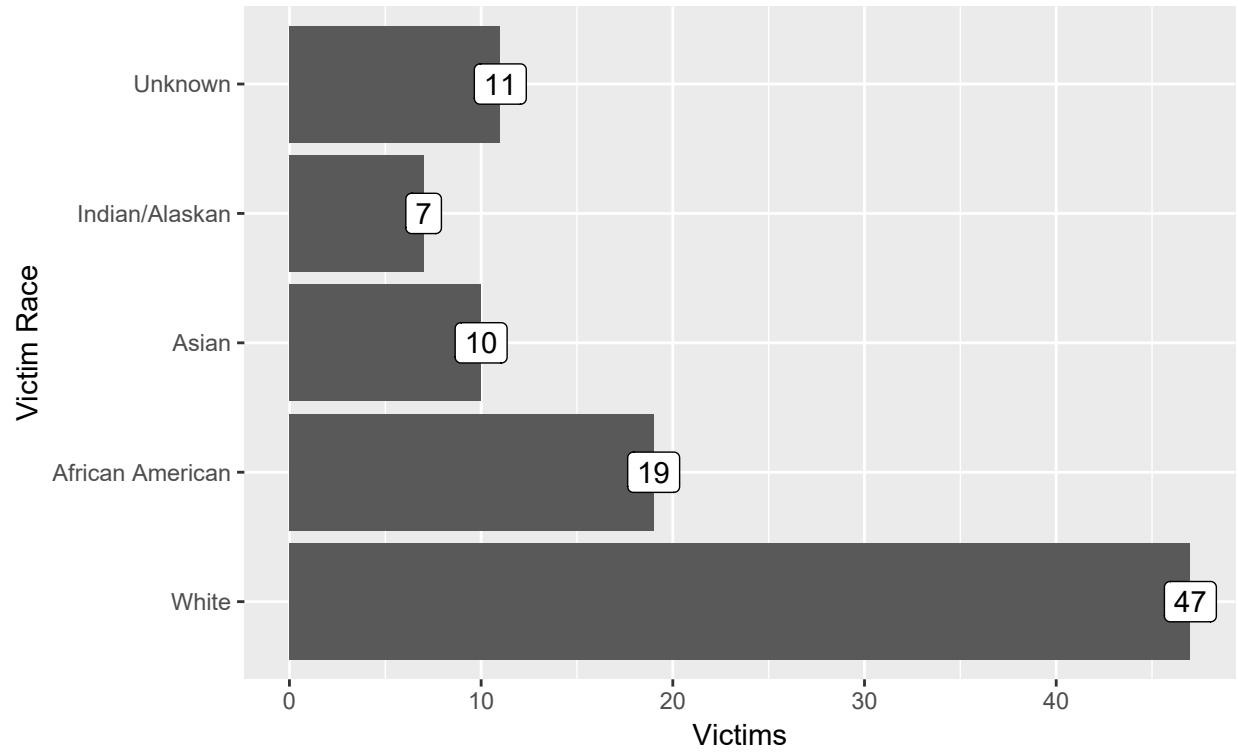


Figure 4.19: Human Trafficking Victims by Race

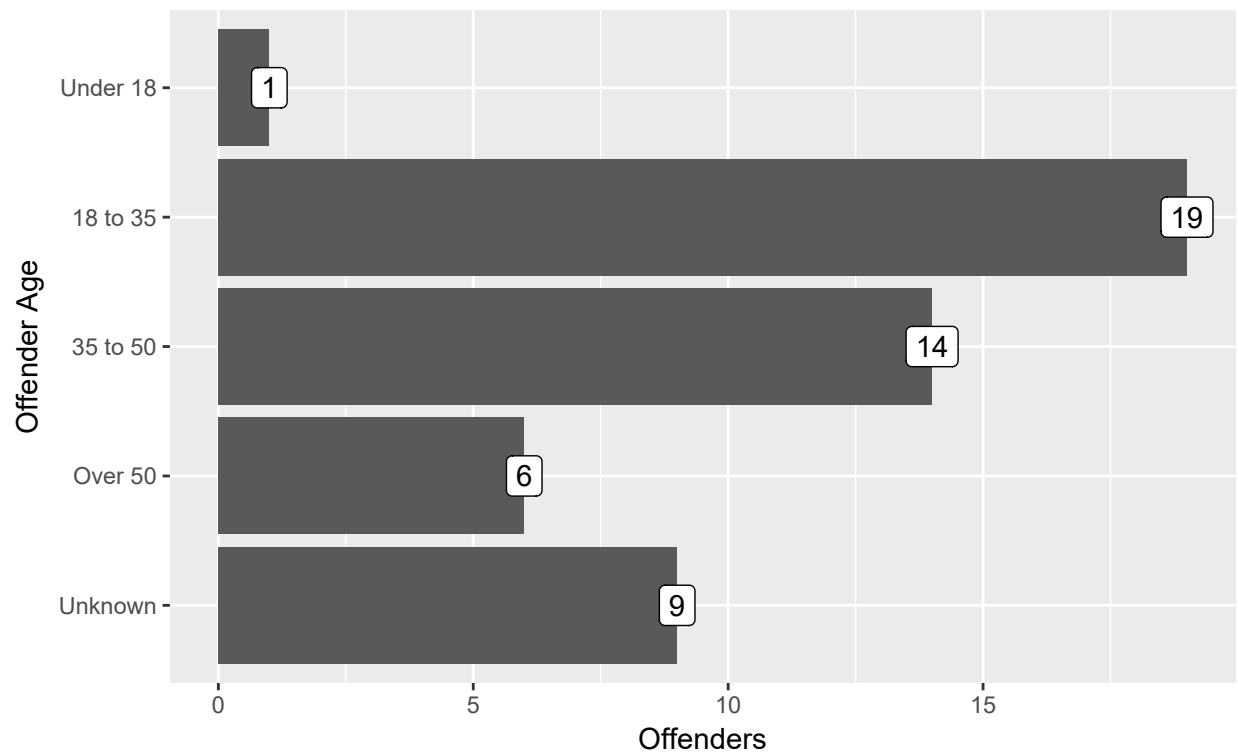


Figure 4.20: Human Trafficking Offenders by Age

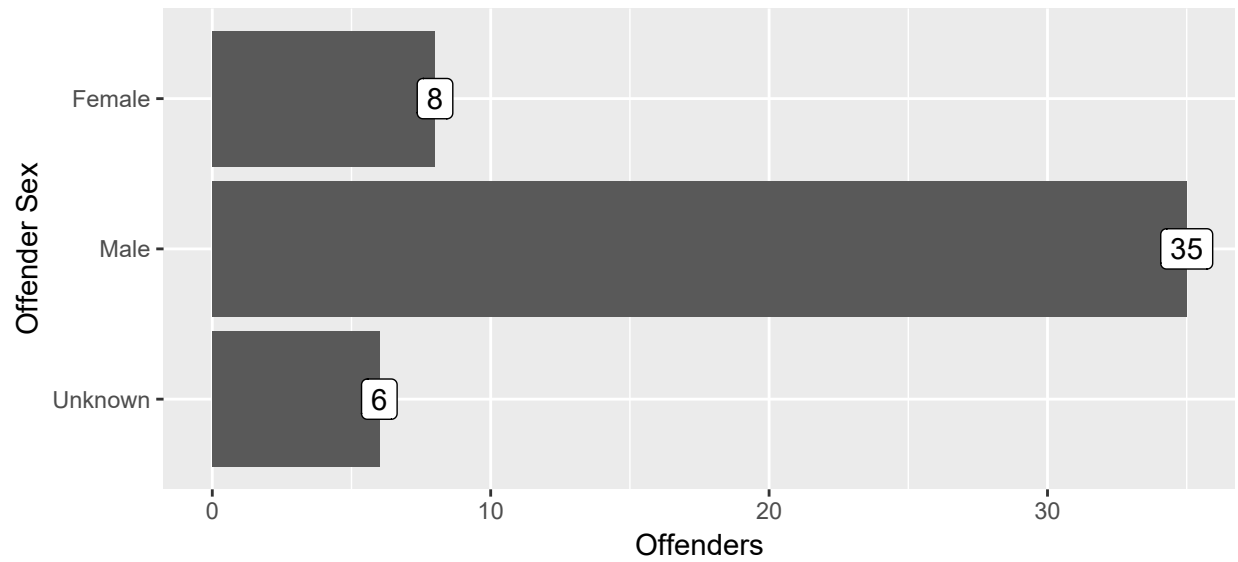


Figure 4.21: Human Trafficking Offenders by Sex

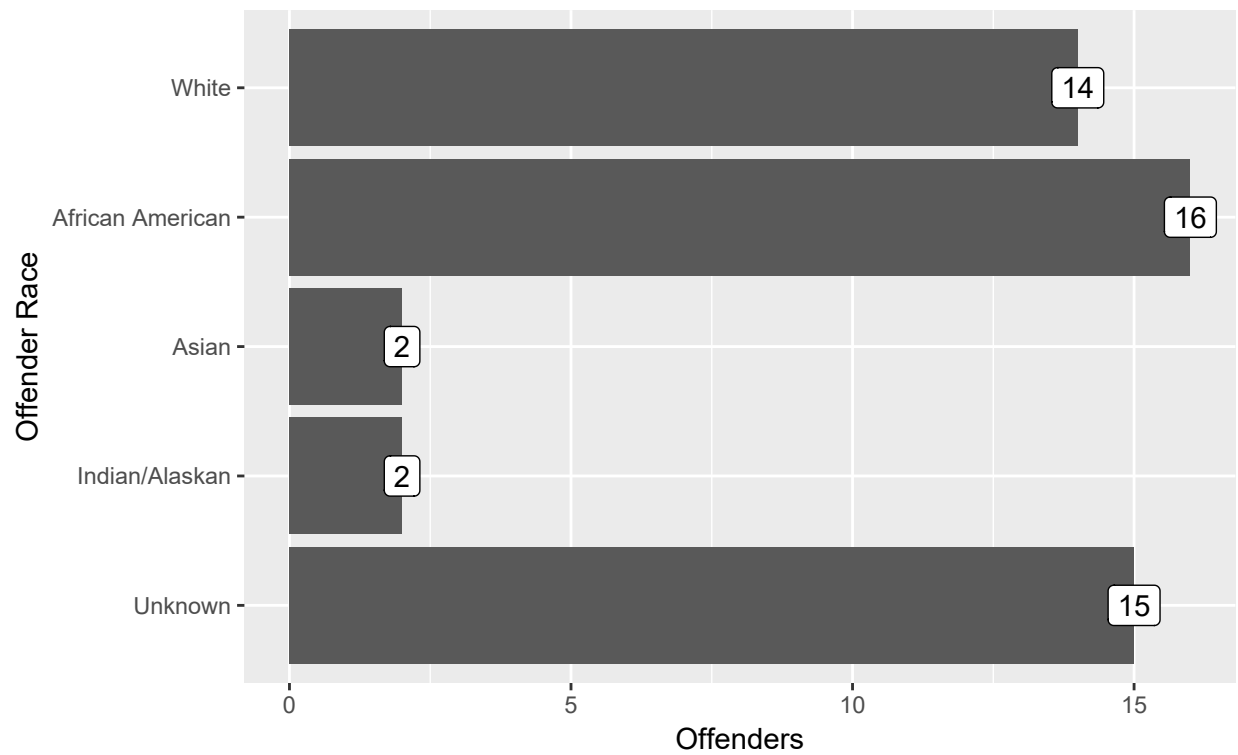


Figure 4.22: Human Trafficking Offenders by Race

## 4.3 CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

### 4.3.1 Burglary

Burglary is the unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of a structure to commit a theft or felony, even though no force may have been used to gain entry. Burglary is divided into three separate classes:

- Forcible Entry
- Unlawful Entry - No Force
- Attempted Forcible Entry

Supplementary information is collected that denotes the time and place of occurrence.

#### 4.3.1.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 16,847 burglaries reported in 2020, 58 were listed as unfounded.
- 2,061 burglaries were cleared by arrest in 2020, 143 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for burglary in 2020 represented 296.8 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 279 per 100,000 population.

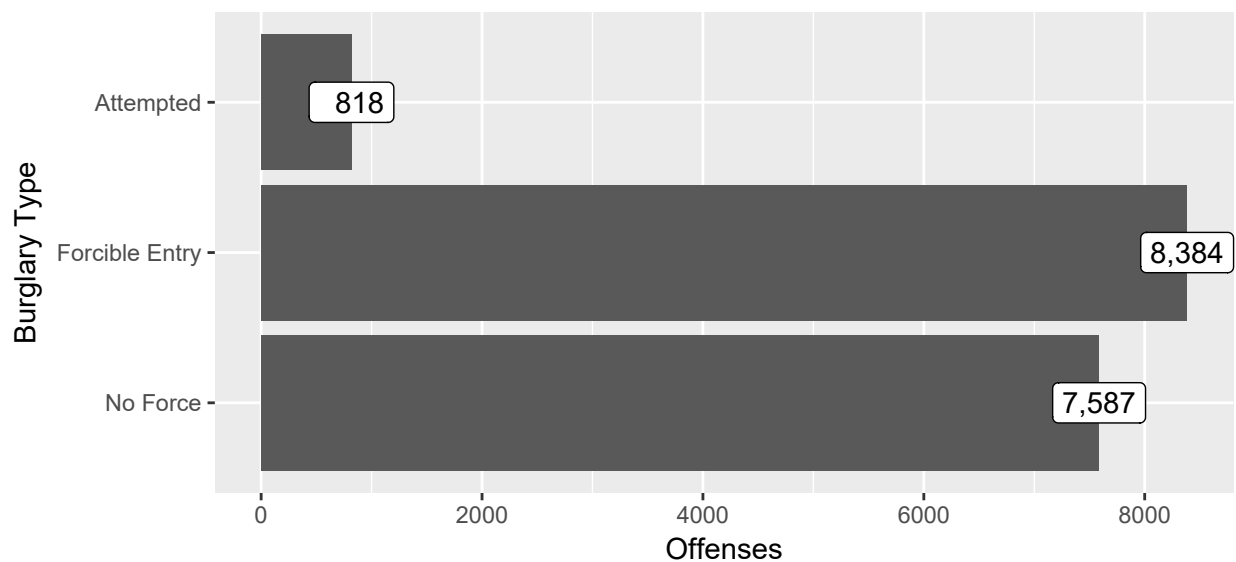


Figure 4.23: Types of Burglaries



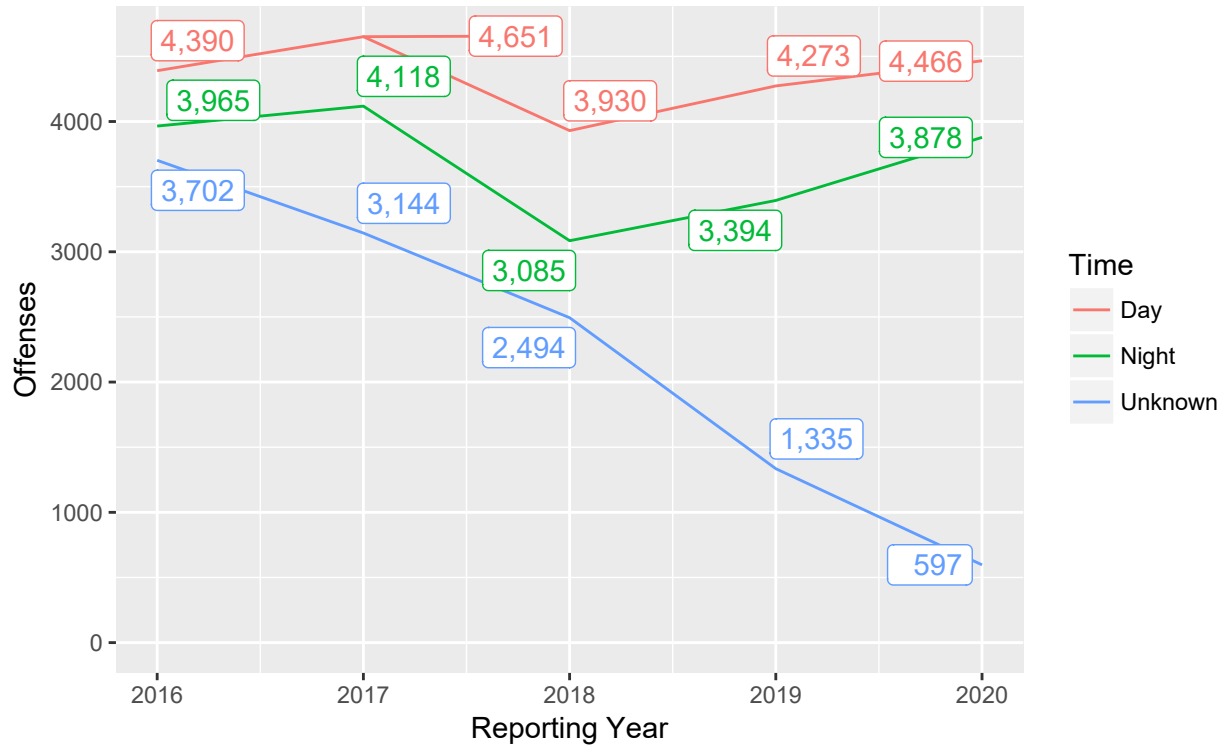


Figure 4.24: Residential Burglaries by Time of Day

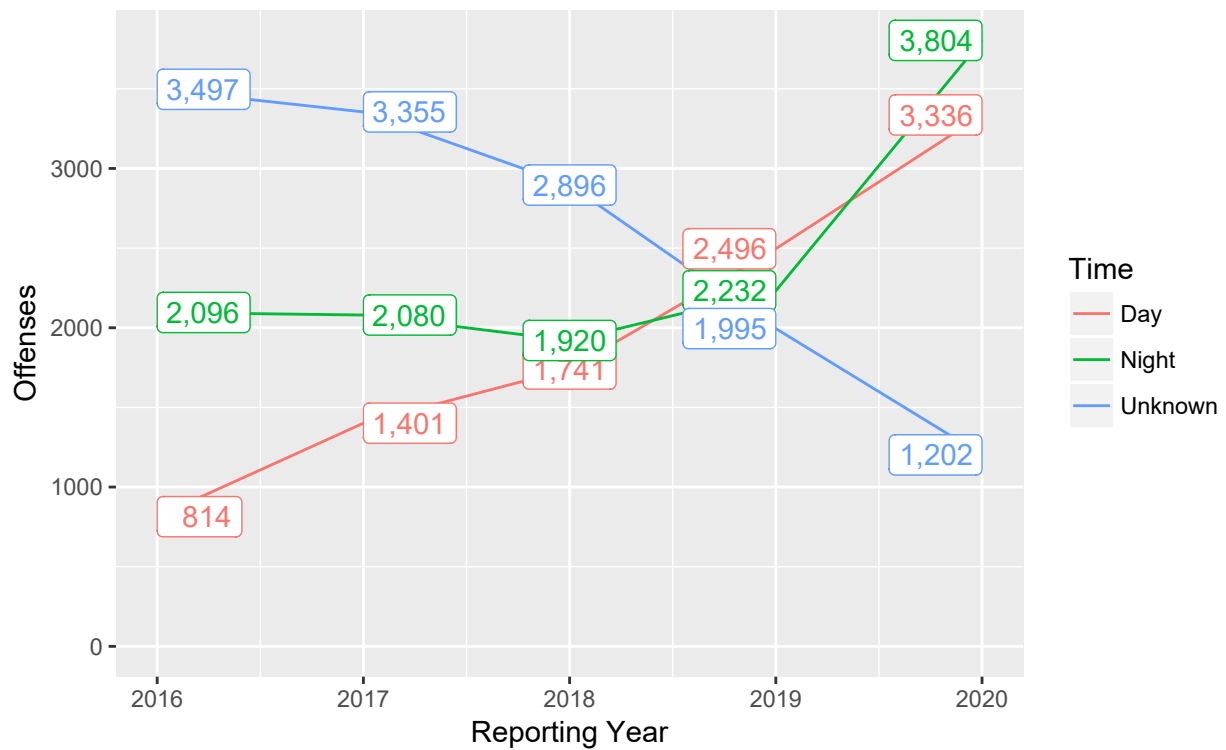


Figure 4.25: Non-Residential Burglaries by Time of Day

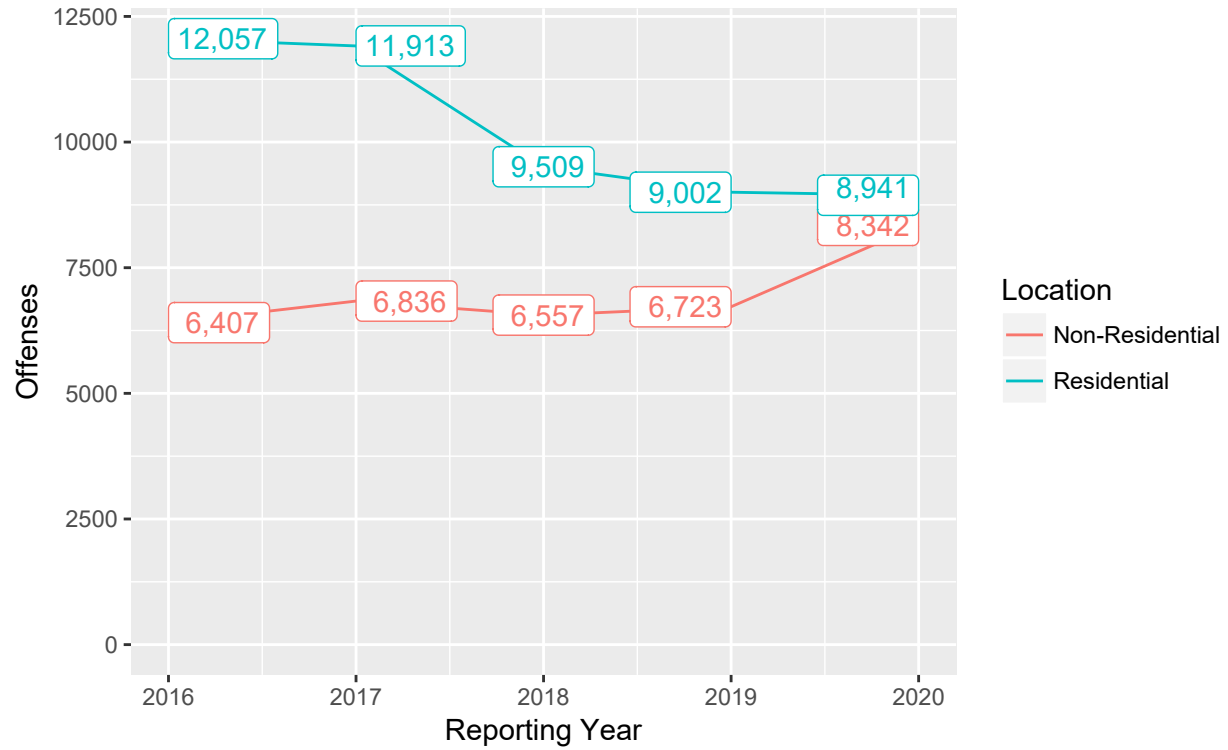


Figure 4.26: Burglaries by Location

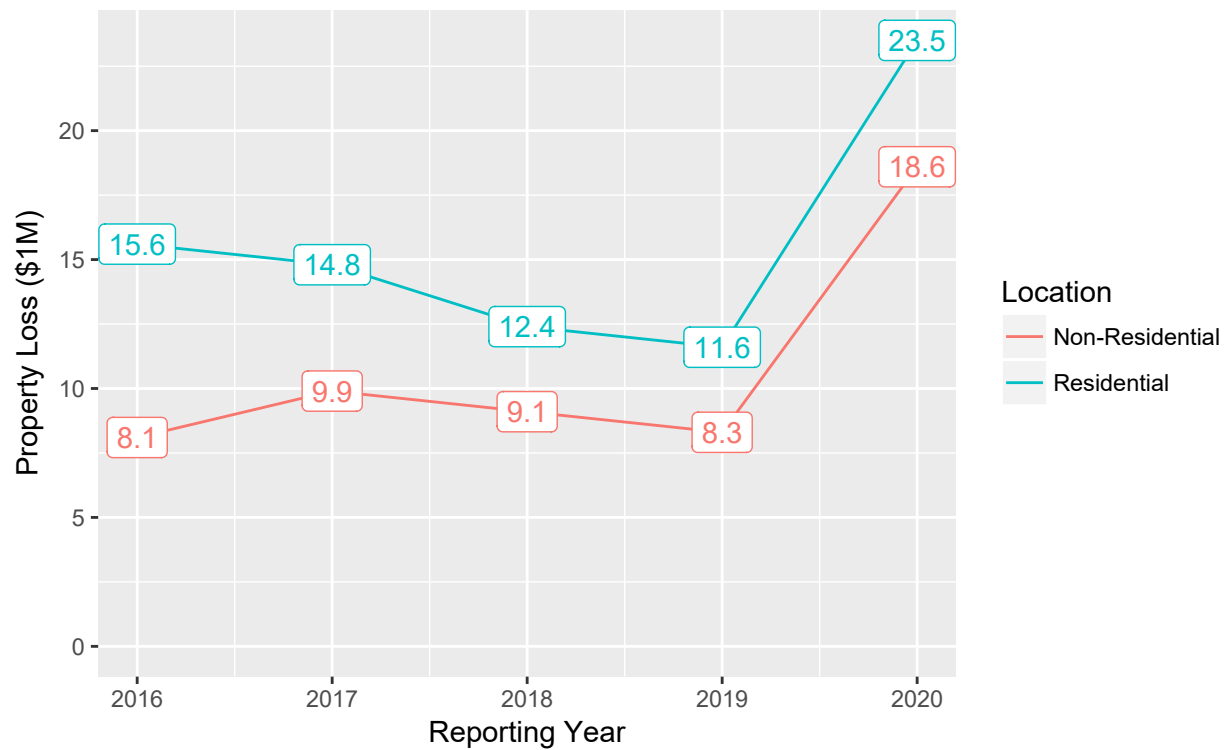


Figure 4.27: Burglary Losses by Location

### 4.3.2 Larceny - Theft

Larceny - theft is the taking of the personal property of another with intent to permanently deprive them of ownership. Larceny data includes all offenses in which a theft or attempted theft occurred regardless of monetary loss assigned to the stolen property.

#### 4.3.2.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 89,439 larcenies reported in 2020, 309 were listed as unfounded.
- There were 89,130 actual larcenies that occurred in Minnesota in 2020.
- 17,463 larcenies were cleared by arrest in 2020, 1,168 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for larceny in 2020 represented 1,575.5 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 1,600.4 per 100,000 population.

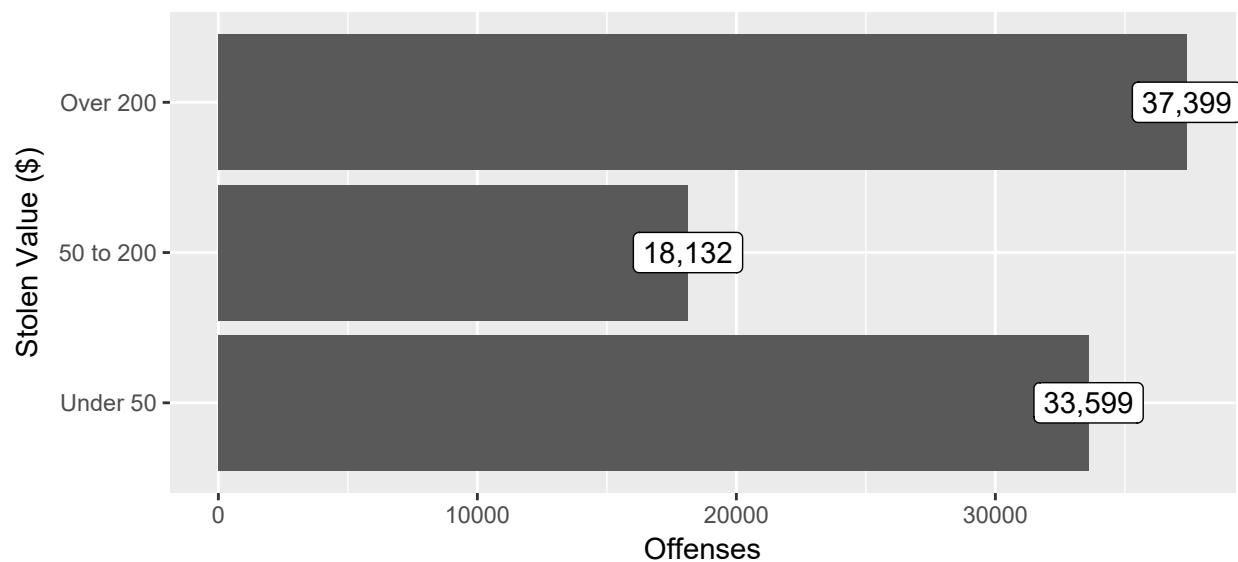


Figure 4.28: Larceny-Theft by Value

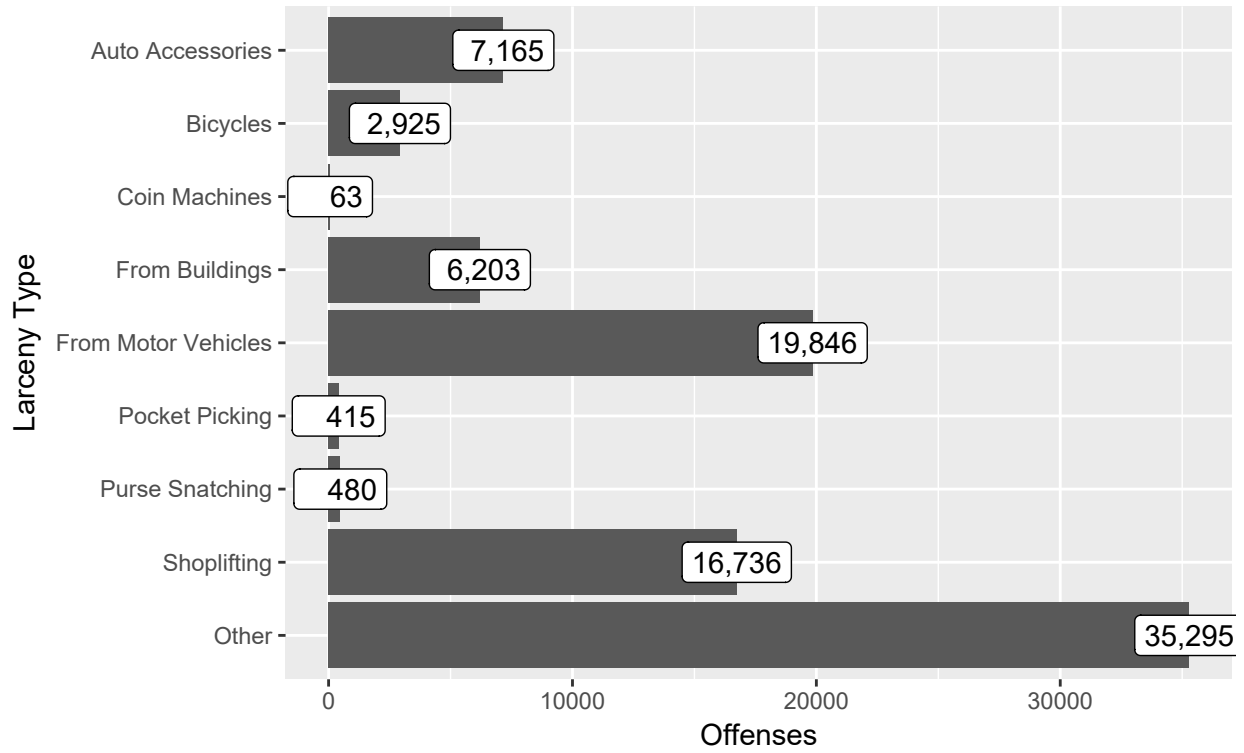


Figure 4.29: Larceny-Theft by Type

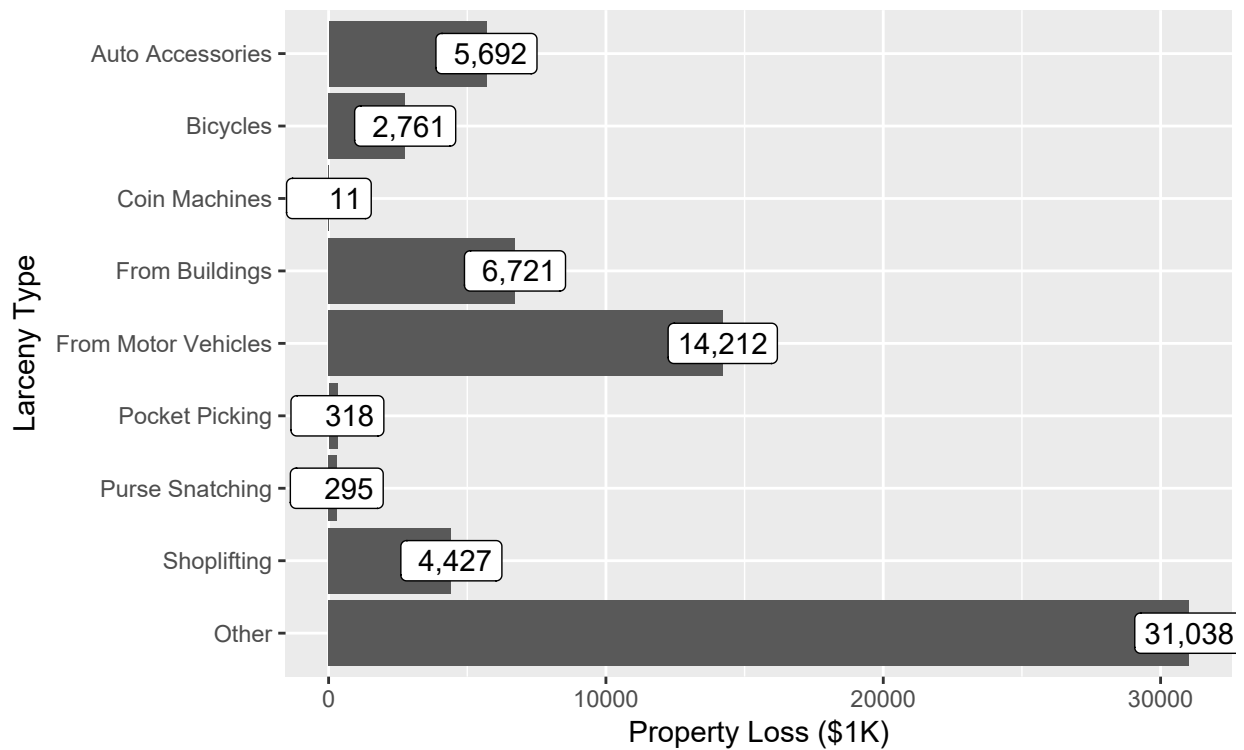


Figure 4.30: Total Larceny-Theft Property Loss by Type

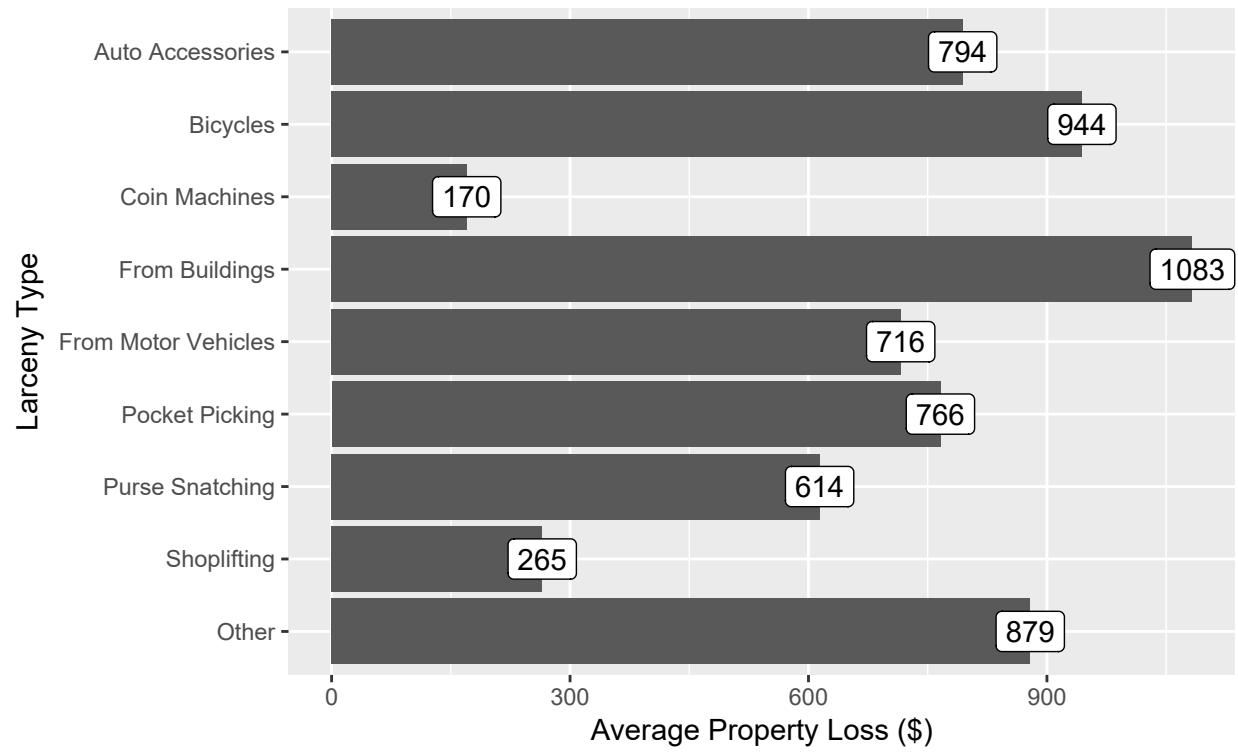


Figure 4.31: Average Larceny-Theft Property Loss by Type

### 4.3.3 Motor Vehicle Theft

Motor Vehicle Theft is the larceny or attempted larceny of a motor vehicle, including automobiles, trucks/buses, and other vehicles such as snowmobiles, motorcycles, etc. “Joyriding” thefts are included under this category.

#### 4.3.3.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 13,839 motor vehicle thefts reported in 2020, 177 were listed as unfounded.
- There were 13,662 actual motor vehicle thefts that occurred in Minnesota in 2020.
- 1,432 motor vehicle thefts were cleared by arrest in 2020, 207 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for motor vehicle theft in 2020 represented 241.5 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 202.3 per 100,000 population.

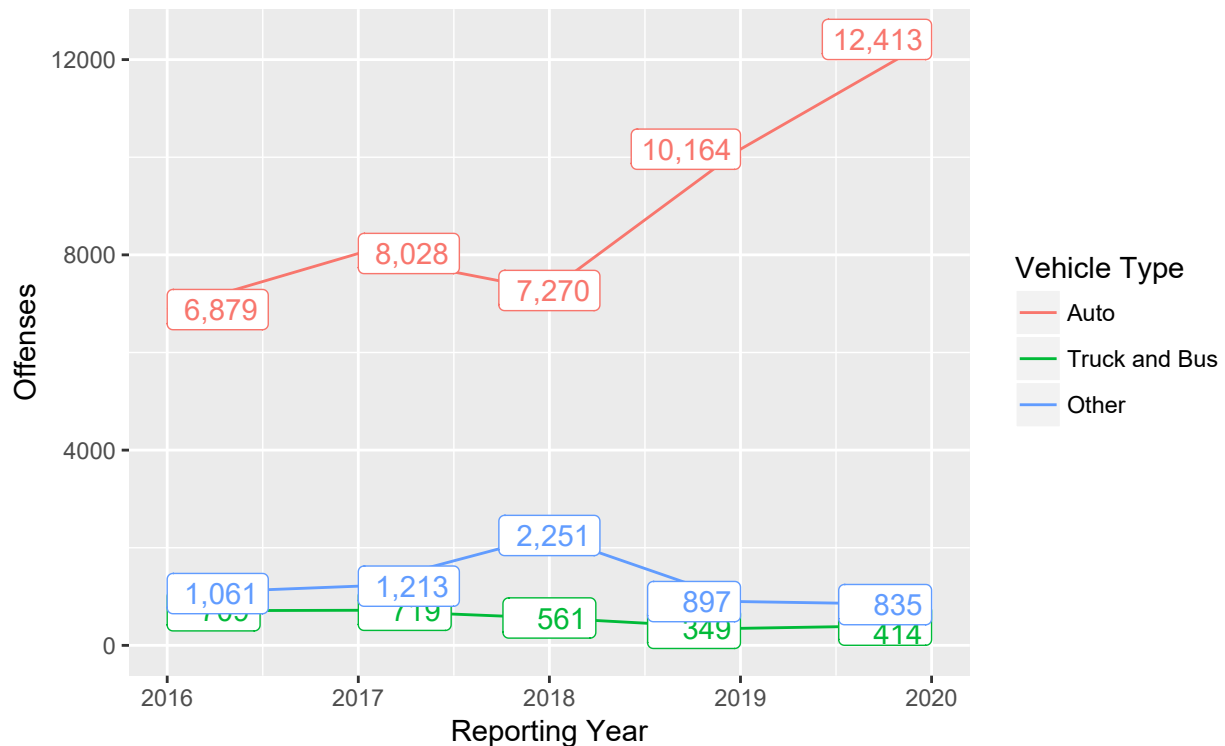


Figure 4.32: Stolen Vehicles by Type

### 4.3.4 Arson

Arson is any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

This crime category is distinctive from other offenses in that all crimes of arson are to be reported, even if they occur in conjunction with another crime.

#### 4.3.4.1 Summary Analysis

- For the 715 arsons reported in 2020, 5 were listed as unfounded.
- There were 699 actual arsons that occurred in Minnesota and 11 attempted arsons in 2020.
- 127 arsons were cleared by arrest in 2020, 25 of these by the arrest of a juvenile.
- The crime rate for arson in 2020 represented 12.6 per 100,000 population, in 2019 it was 8.2 per 100,000 population.

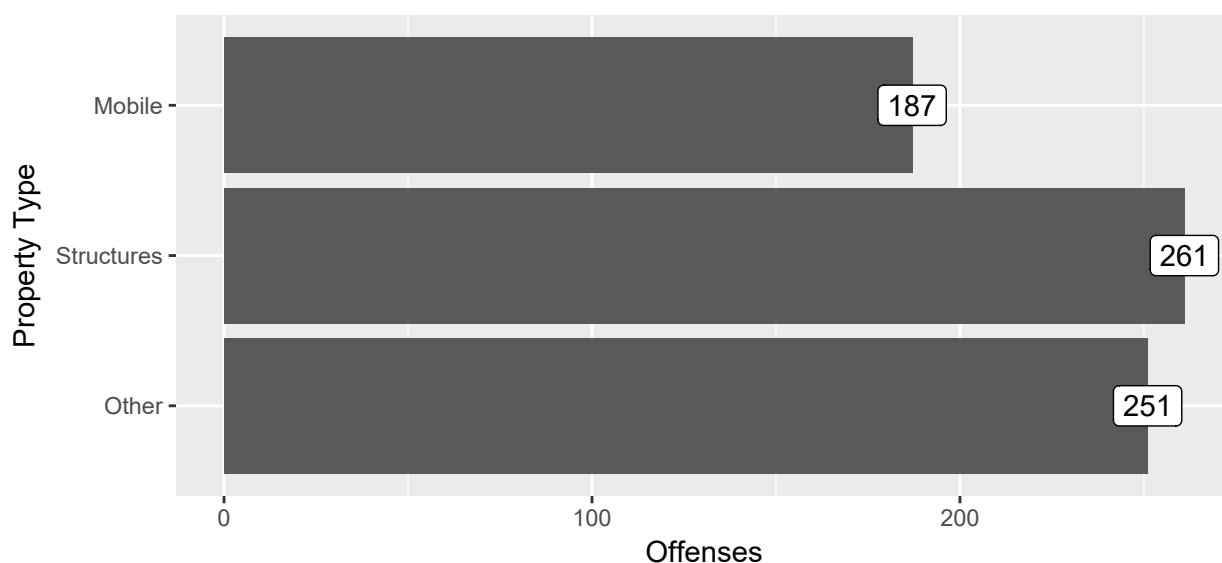


Figure 4.33: Arson by Property Type

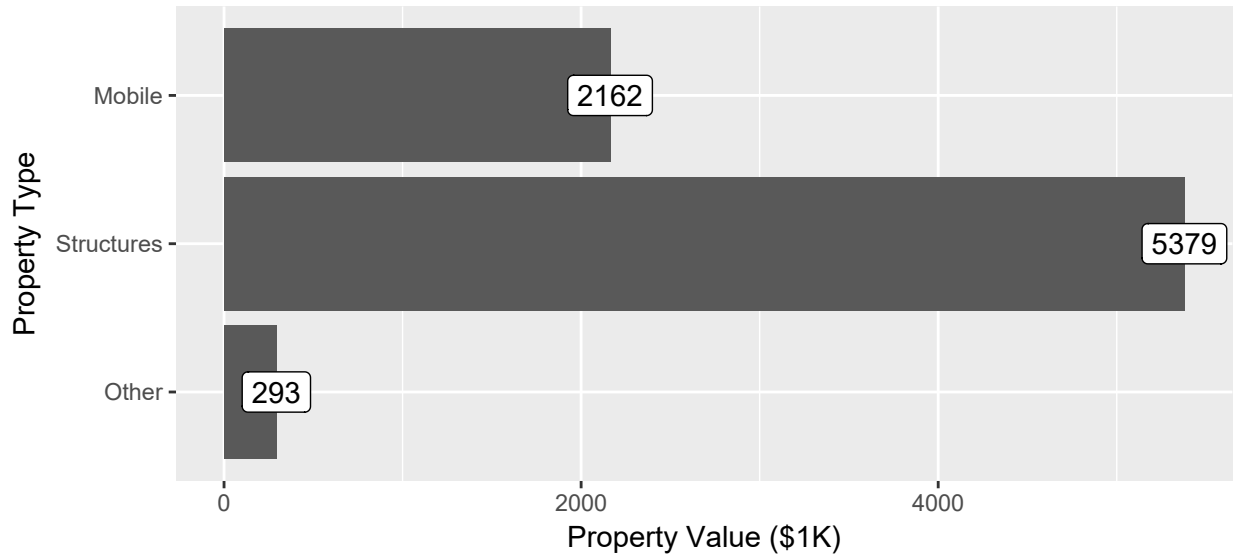


Figure 4.34: Total Estimated Property Value in Arson by Property Type

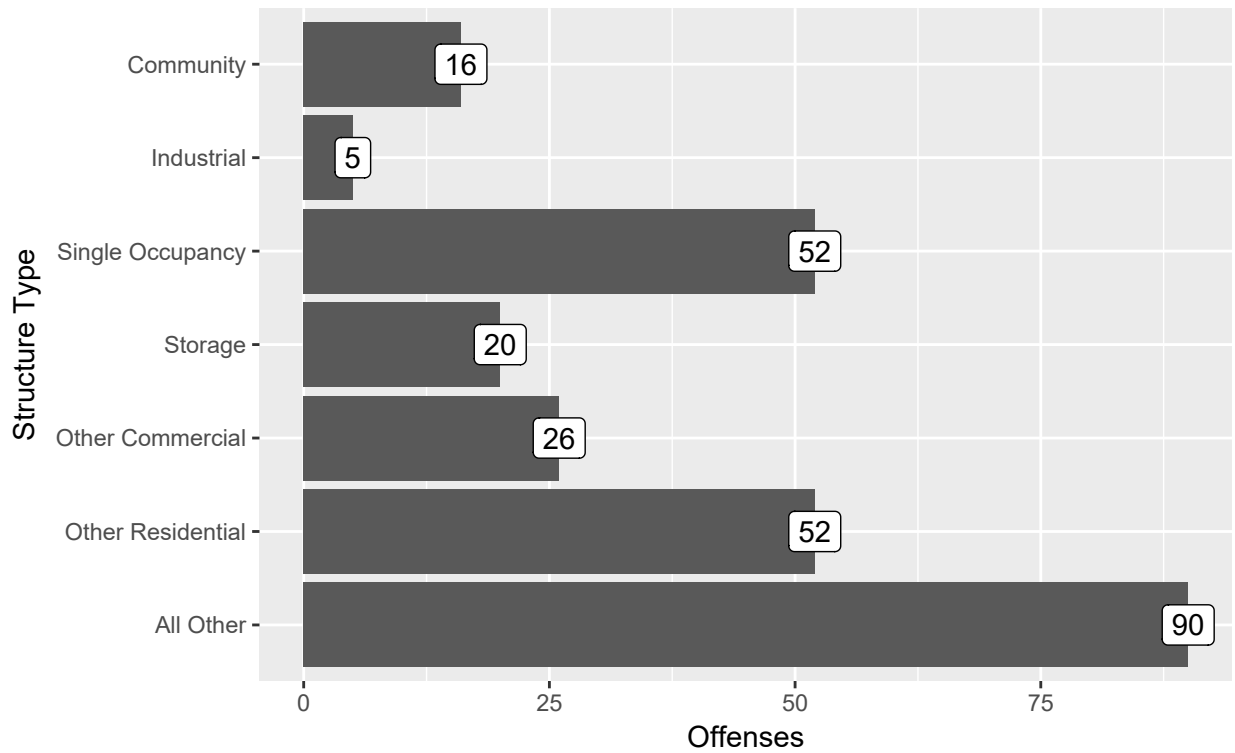


Figure 4.35: Arson by Structure Type



### 4.3.5 Property Crime Value Information

Information on property stolen and recovered in Minnesota for the offenses of criminal homicide, rape, robbery, burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft is reflected in the following tables and figures.

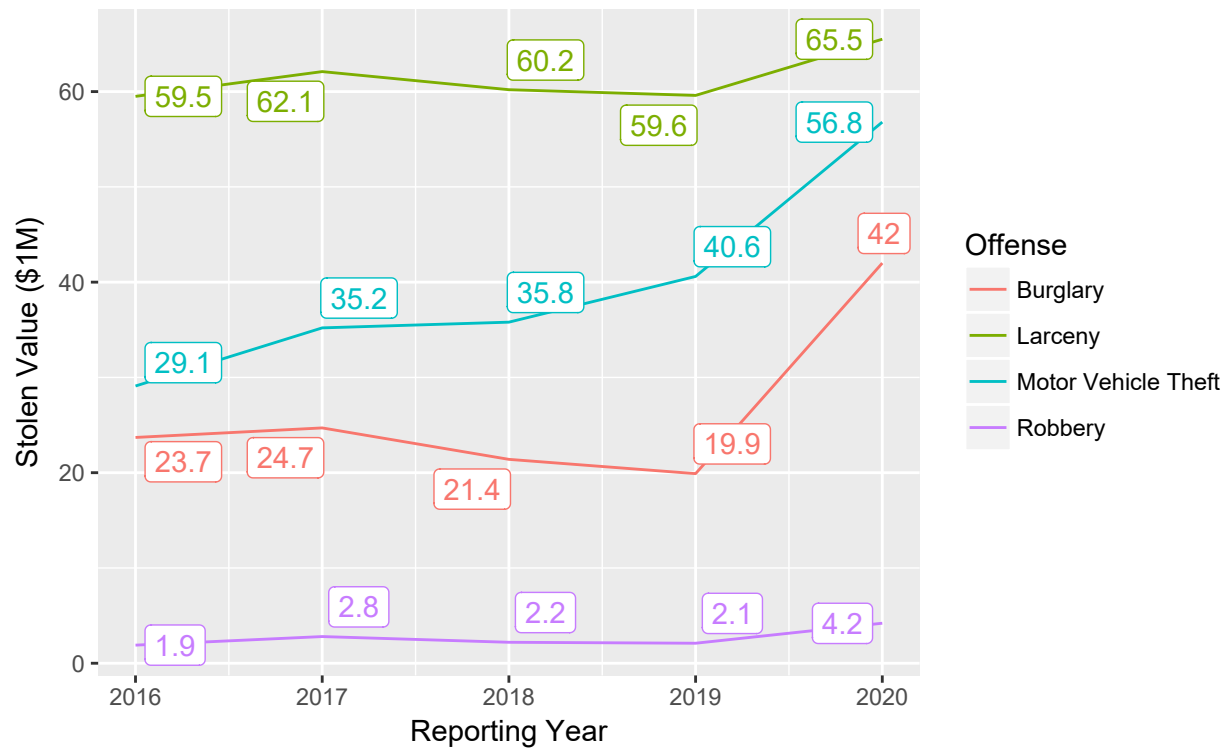


Figure 4.36: Total Estimated Stolen Value in Property Offenses

Local agencies report data on the value of items stolen during the commission of crimes. The values are reflected in the tables below.

Offense	Value
Murder	0
Rape	10
Robbery	4,219
Burglary	42,018
Larceny	65,475
Motor Vehicle Theft	56,794

Table 4.6: Value of Property Stolen by Offense (\$1K)

Property Type	Stolen	Recovered
Currency	48,377	550
Jewelry	5,484	176
Clothing	4,524	365
Vehicles	71,596	37,058
Office Equipment	3,909	179
TV/Radios/Stereos	2,681	110
Firearms	1,054	110
Household Goods	1,193	57
Consumable Goods	4,290	356
Livestock	19	0
Misc	73,555	5,152
Total	216,682	44,114

Table 4.7: Total Value of Property Stolen and Recovered by Property Type (\$1K)

## 4.4 ADDITIONAL STATEWIDE OFFENSE INFORMATION

Offense	Reported	Unfounded	Actual Offenses	Crime Rate	Cleared	Cleared (%)
Murder	186	1	185	3	121	65
Rape	2,247	25	2,222	39	729	33
Robbery	3,897	12	3,885	69	843	22
Aggravated Assault	8,219	16	8,203	145	4,351	53
Burglary	16,847	58	16,789	297	2,061	12
Larceny	89,439	309	89,130	1,575	17,463	20
Motor Vehicle Theft	13,839	177	13,662	241	1,432	10
Arson	715	5	710	13	127	18
Human Trafficking	96	2	94	2	18	18
Part I	135,485	605	134,880	2,384	27,145	20
Other Assaults	24,487	236	24,251	429	10,868	45
Forgery / Counterfeiting	4,814	14	4,800	85	1,126	23
Fraud	21,003	169	20,834	368	3,778	18
Embezzlement	164	0	164	3	57	35
Stolen Property	3,359	46	3,313	59	2,229	67
Vandalism	29,241	78	29,163	515	3,729	13
Weapons	4,307	7	4,300	76	2,456	57
Prostitution	70	4	66	1	34	52
Other Sex Offenses	2,845	49	2,796	49	848	30
Drug Abuse	17,386	9	17,377	307	14,183	82
Gambling	16	0	16	0	17	106
Family / Children	3,780	50	3,730	66	671	18
DUI	18,030	6	18,024	319	12,737	71
Liquor Laws	2,447	1	2,446	43	2,297	94
Disorderly Conduct	9,567	99	9,468	167	6,798	72
Vagrancy	281	0	281	5	247	88
Other (except Traffic)	33,932	347	33,585	594	24,387	73
Part II	175,729	1,115	174,614	3,087	86,462	50
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	69	1	68	1	63	93
Runaways (Juvenile)	1,287	4	1,283	23	804	63
Part II Juvenile Offenses	1,356	5	1,351	24	867	64
Grand Total	312,570	1,725	310,845	5,495	114,474	37

Table 4.8: Statewide Offense and Clearance Information

### 4.4.1 Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants and Percent Cleared by Agency

A table showing Part I, Part II and Juvenile crime rates and clearance rates broken down by Agency is available for download ([xls](#)).

### 4.4.2 Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants and Percent Cleared by Judicial District and County

A table showing Part I, Part II and Juvenile crime and clearance rates broken down by Judicial District and County is available for download ([xls](#)).

### 4.4.3 Historical Crime Index Summary

A table showing historical Crime Index numbers dating back to 1936 is available for download ([xls](#)).

## Chapter 5

# MINNESOTA ARREST INFORMATION

Arrest information submitted by Minnesota law enforcement agencies in 2020 is compiled into state totals in the categories of age, sex, and race factors. Data has also been tabulated for the specific kinds of drug abuse violations and the individuals involved.

### 5.1 STATEWIDE ARREST INFORMATION

There were 119,426 arrests involving criminal offenses in Minnesota in 2020, with 86,489 males and 32,937 females arrested. There are also significant factors to consider when arrest data is evaluated:

- There can be multiple persons arrested for the same offense.
- An arrest of one or more persons can be reported for an offense that occurred during a previous reporting period.

Juvenile arrests include individuals under 18 years of age at the time of arrest.

Juveniles constitute 9% (10,879) of all arrests during 2020 and account for 11% (2833) of the Part I arrests:

- 10% of Murder arrests
- 16% of Rape arrests
- 34% of Robbery arrests
- 8% of Aggravated Assault arrests
- 11% of Burglary arrests
- 10% of Larceny arrests
- 25% of Motor Vehicle Theft arrests
- 26% of Arson arrests

Following are a series of charts illustrating trends in arrests by the age, sex and race of the arrestee, and arrests by offense category for 2020. Total arrests of adults and juveniles for Part I and Part II Offenses are available as [county](#) and [agency](#) Totals. Cross tabulations of arrests are available by [age and sex](#) and [race and age](#). Age and sex crosstabulations are available by [county](#).

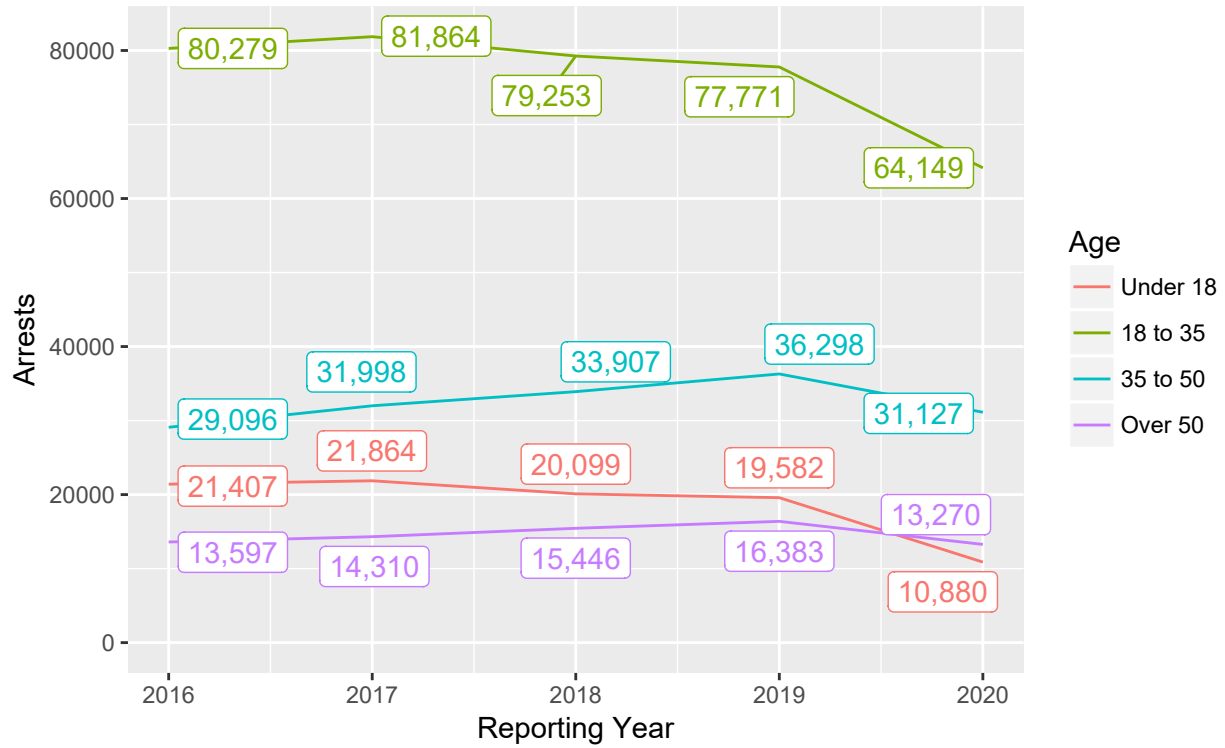


Figure 5.1: Arrests by Age

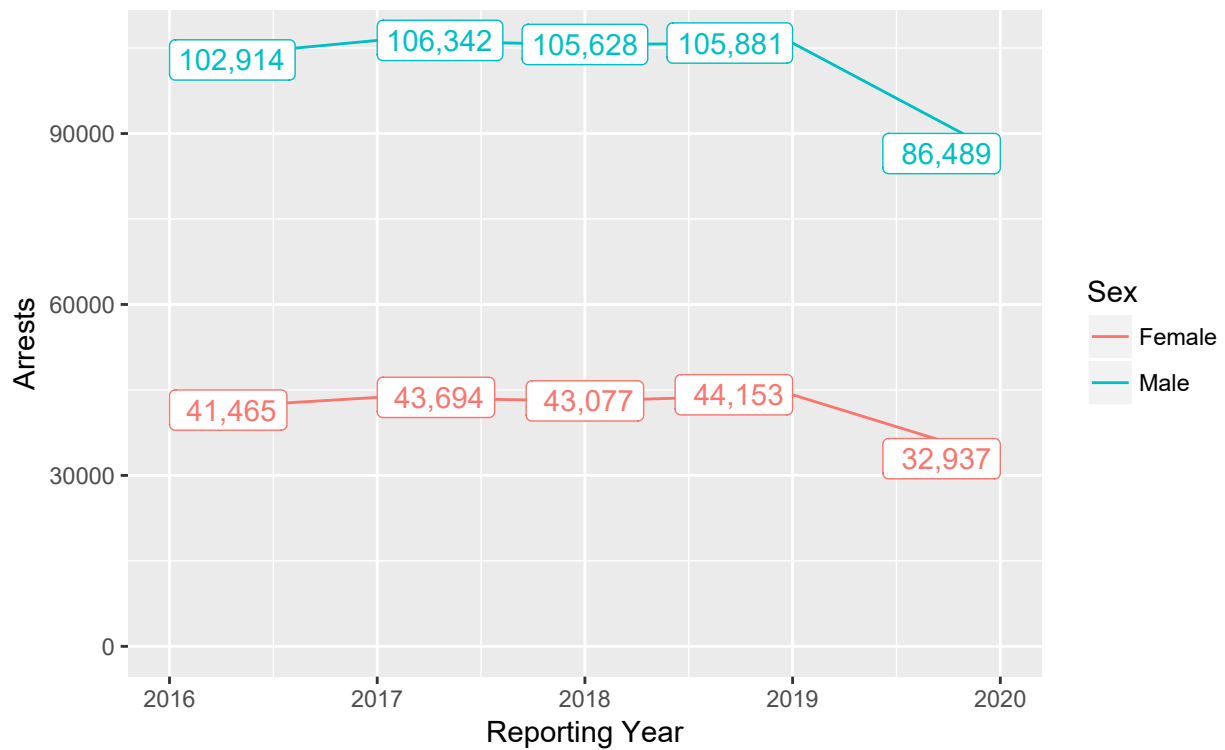


Figure 5.2: Arrests by Sex

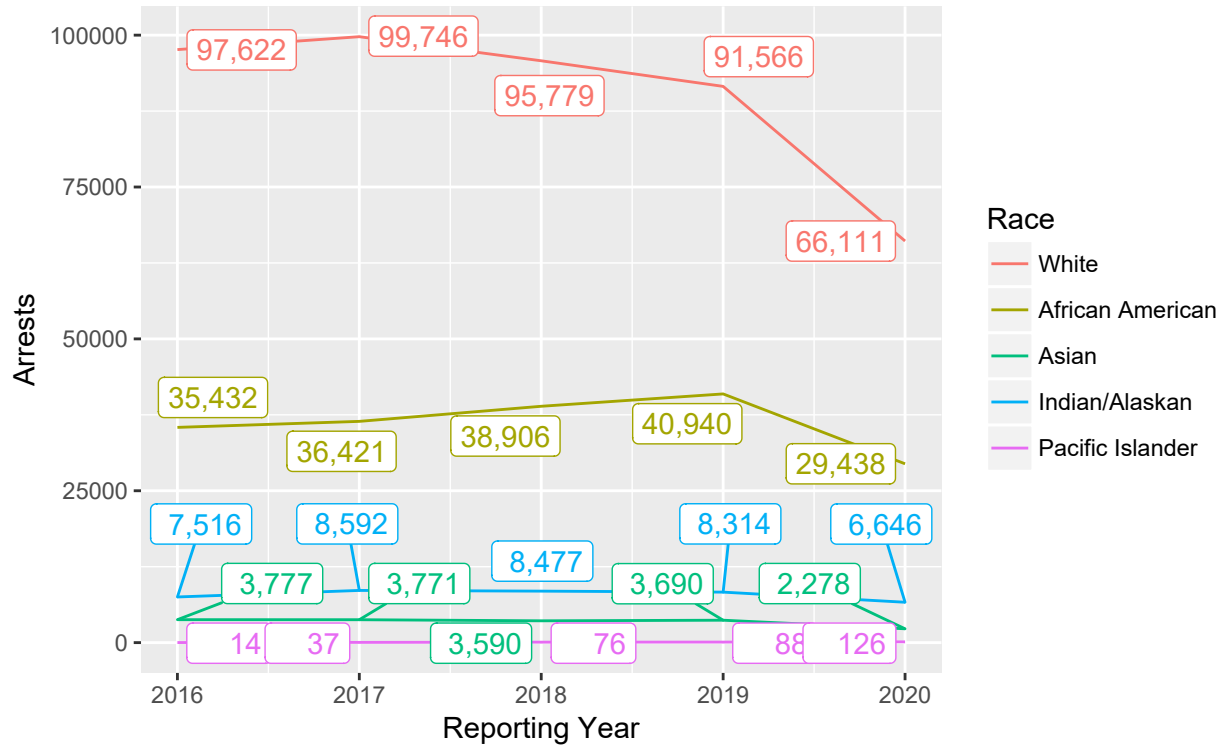


Figure 5.3: Arrests by Race

Offense	Male	Female	Total
Murder	110	18	128
Rape	515	8	523
Robbery	901	184	1,085
Aggravated Assault	3,140	773	3,913
Burglary	1,618	367	1,985
Larceny	9,125	7,007	16,132
Motor Vehicle Theft	847	275	1,122
Arson	114	21	135
Human Trafficking	13	1	14
Part I	16,383	8,654	25,037
Other Assaults	10,149	3,164	13,313
Forgery / Counterfeiting	584	345	929
Fraud	1,816	857	2,673
Embezzlement	27	26	53
Stolen Property	1,823	571	2,394
Vandalism	1,988	551	2,539
Weapons	2,123	196	2,319
Prostitution	11	10	21
Purchasing Prostitution	9	2	11
Other Sex Offenses	516	31	547
Drug Abuse	10,802	4,034	14,836
Gambling	17	4	21
Family / Children	128	127	255
DUI	12,929	4,983	17,912
Liquor Laws	2,804	1,568	4,372
Disorderly Conduct	3,962	1,728	5,690
Vagrancy	120	17	137
Other (except Traffic)	19,812	5,836	25,648
Part II	69,620	24,050	93,670
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	325	131	456
Runaways (Juvenile)	109	92	201
Part II Juvenile Offenses	434	223	657
Grand Total	86,437	32,927	119,364

Table 5.1: Arrests by Sex and Offense

Offense	Under 18	18 to 35	35 to 50	Over 50
Murder	13	79	26	10
Rape	82	272	106	63
Robbery	370	557	119	39
Aggravated Assault	295	2,097	1,087	434
Burglary	217	1,110	539	119
Larceny	1,546	8,653	4,215	1,718
Motor Vehicle Theft	275	609	206	32
Arson	35	55	30	15
Human Trafficking	0	7	5	2
Part I	2,833	13,439	6,333	2,432
Other Assaults	1,386	6,499	3,880	1,548
Forgery / Counterfeiting	14	553	296	66
Fraud	102	1,463	838	270
Embezzlement	6	27	16	4
Stolen Property	270	1,444	582	98
Vandalism	474	1,352	561	152
Weapons	170	1,474	458	217
Prostitution	0	8	9	4
Purchasing Prostitution	0	1	6	4
Other Sex Offenses	79	213	151	104
Drug Abuse	830	9,338	3,662	1,006
Gambling	2	13	5	1
Family / Children	5	153	80	17
DUI	189	9,489	5,212	3,022
Liquor Laws	1,083	2,836	237	216
Disorderly Conduct	901	2,546	1,408	835
Vagrancy	0	109	15	13
Other (except Traffic)	1,878	13,156	7,362	3,252
Part II	7,389	50,674	24,778	10,829
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	456	0	0	0
Runaways (Juvenile)	201	0	0	0
Part II Juvenile Offenses	657	0	0	0
Grand Total	10,879	64,113	31,111	13,261

Table 5.2: Arrests by Age and Offense



Offense	White	African American	Asian	Indian/Alaskan	Pacific Islander	Total
Murder	45	69	1	7	0	122
Rape	321	144	12	12	1	490
Robbery	179	770	8	76	2	1,035
Aggravated Assault	1,853	1,512	73	254	8	3,700
Burglary	1,125	585	43	129	3	1,885
Larceny	9,066	4,915	315	1,056	20	15,372
Motor Vehicle Theft	539	376	46	96	2	1,059
Arson	89	30	5	3	0	127
Human Trafficking	4	10	0	0	0	14
Part I	13,221	8,411	503	1,633	36	23,804
Other Assaults	7,663	3,902	250	749	19	12,583
Forgery / Counterfeiting	626	187	33	36	0	882
Fraud	1,368	998	50	130	2	2,548
Embezzlement	28	10	1	0	0	39
Stolen Property	1,077	836	120	211	1	2,245
Vandalism	1,503	670	59	162	3	2,397
Weapons	767	1,068	70	81	2	1,988
Prostitution	9	6	5	1	0	21
Purchasing Prostitution	8	1	2	0	0	11
Other Sex Offenses	327	152	14	14	1	508
Drug Abuse	9,139	2,741	274	886	8	13,048
Gambling	8	8	0	0	0	16
Family / Children	149	80	9	12	0	250
DUI	9,479	1,691	334	494	20	12,018
Liquor Laws	3,190	401	49	148	2	3,790
Disorderly Conduct	3,525	1,505	73	324	7	5,434
Vagrancy	36	76	0	3	0	115
Other (except Traffic)	13,530	6,507	430	1,742	24	22,233
Part II	52,432	20,839	1,773	4,993	89	80,126
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	284	126	2	6	1	419
Runaways (Juvenile)	141	57	0	3	0	201
Part II Juvenile Offenses	425	183	2	9	1	620
Grand Total	66,078	29,433	2,278	6,635	126	104,550

Table 5.3: Arrests by Race and Offense

## 5.2 DRUG ABUSE ARREST INFORMATION

Drug Abuse violations for the state in 2020 involved 14,836 arrests, with 10,802 males and 4,034 females arrested.

Drug Abuse arrests are further categorized by the type of drug involved:

- Opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine etc.)
- Marijuana
- Synthetic narcotics - manufactured narcotics that can cause true addiction (demerol, methadone, fentanyl, etc.)
- Other - includes dangerous nonnarcotic drugs (barbiturates, benzedrine, etc.) and methamphetamine.

Summaries of Drug Abuse Arrests by agency and region for 2020 are available by [county](#) and [agency](#).

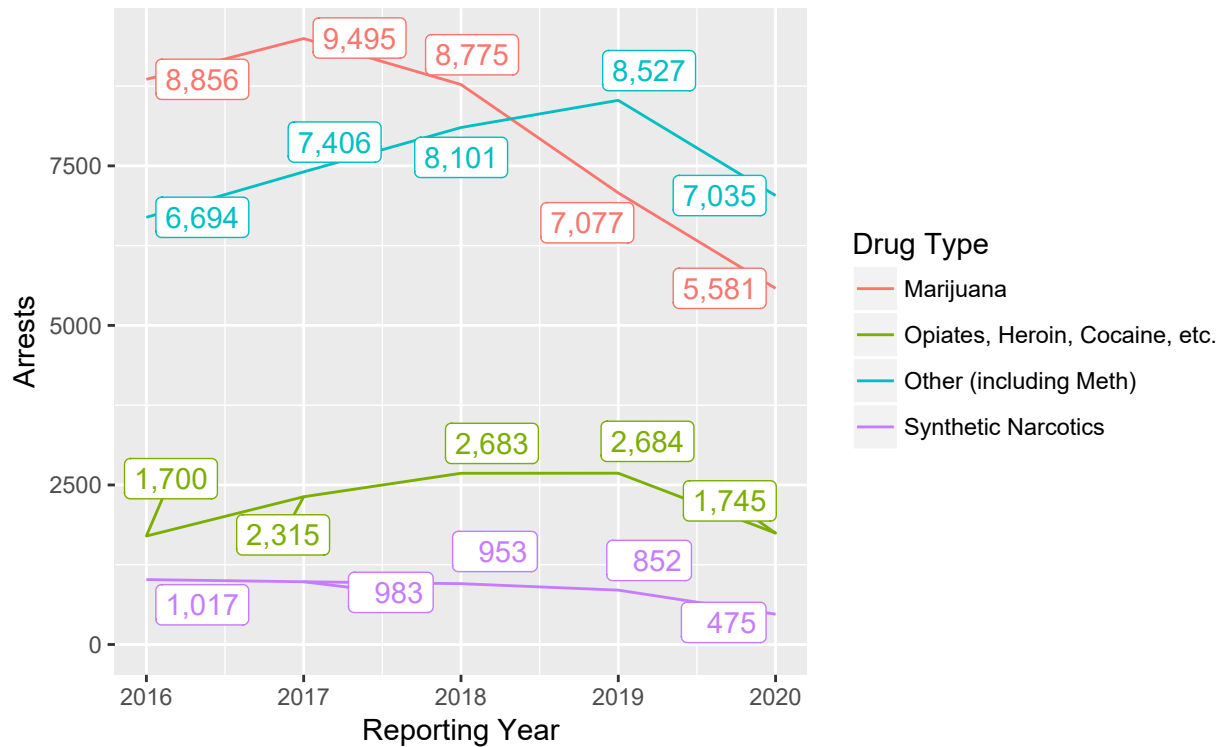


Figure 5.4: Drug Abuse Arrests by Drug Type

Drug Type	Male	Female	Total
Marijuana	4,289	1,292	5,581
Opiates, Heroin, Cocaine, etc.	1,254	491	1,745
Other (including Meth)	4,912	2,123	7,035
Synthetic Narcotics	347	128	475
Total	10,802	4,034	14,836

Table 5.4: Drug Abuse Arrests by Sex and Drug Type

Drug Type	Under 18	18 to 35	35 to 50	Over 50
Marijuana	679	3,914	783	205
Opiates, Heroin, Cocaine, etc.	19	1,148	452	126
Other (including Meth)	112	3,945	2,331	647
Synthetic Narcotics	20	331	96	28
Total	830	9,338	3,662	1,006

Table 5.5: Drug Abuse Arrests by Age and Drug Type

Drug Type	White	African American	Asian	Indian/Alaskan	Pacific Islander	Total
Marijuana	3,311	1,287	77	96	0	4,771
Opiates, Heroin, Cocaine, etc.	903	450	32	194	3	1,582
Other (including Meth)	4,644	870	152	576	5	6,247
Synthetic Narcotics	281	134	13	20	0	448
Total	9,139	2,741	274	886	8	13,048

Table 5.6: Drug Abuse Arrests by Race and Drug Type

Table 5.7: Arrests for Drug Abuse Sale

Reporting Year	Marijuana	Opiates, Heroin, Cocaine, etc.	Other (including Meth)	Synthetic Narcotics
2,016	2,330	226	1,997	98
2,017	1,932	199	1,900	59
2,018	1,704	192	2,399	83
2,019	1,387	243	2,364	76
2,020	790	162	1,399	68

Table 5.8: Arrests for Drug Abuse Possession

Reporting Year	Marijuana	Opiates, Heroin, Cocaine, etc.	Other (including Meth)	Synthetic Narcotics
2,016	6,526	1,474	4,697	919
2,017	7,563	2,116	5,506	924
2,018	7,071	2,491	5,702	870
2,019	5,690	2,441	6,163	776
2,020	4,791	1,583	5,636	407

## Chapter 6

# COMPARISON OF METRO-NONMETRO OFFENSES AND ARRESTS

Metro-nonmetro crime comparisons were new to the Minnesota Uniform Crime Report in 2015 and replaced urban-rural comparisons.

Urban was defined as any area served by a police department, while rural was any area served by a sheriff's office. As a result, when using urban-rural designations, towns with small populations were classified as urban and large sheriff's offices such as the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office were considered rural. The FBI uses metro and nonmetro designations because they are more accurate than urban and rural designations.

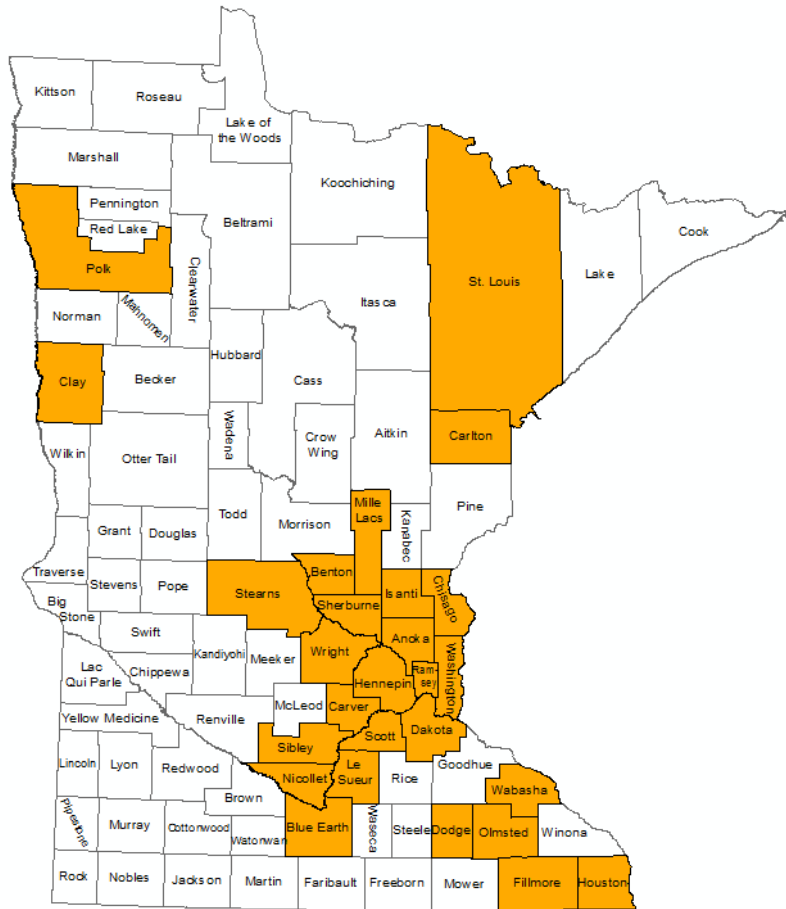
For the purposes of the Minnesota Uniform Crime Report, metro areas contain a principal city or urban area with a population of at least 50,000 people. The reporting area includes the principal city; the county in which the city is located; and other adjacent counties with a high degree of economic and social integration with the principal city and county. (FBI Crime in the United States).

A nonmetro designation includes county law enforcement agencies that are not associated with a metro area.

Metro and nonmetro information is used to analyze and present statistical data about areas with major population centers compared with less populated areas.

The metro and nonmetro information gives a general indication of crime based on population density but does not represent data that can be applied to any one specific agency. Variations in crime are caused by a multitude of crime factors. The information presented in this section lists the numbers of specific criminal offenses reported to metro and nonmetro law enforcement agencies. For jurisdictional reasons, Capitol Security and State Patrol figures are excluded from this section of the report.

Of additional value is the ratio of metro to nonmetro crime offenses. The ratio is the number of one particular criminal offense in metro areas compared with the number of the same offense for nonmetro areas. For example, a ratio of 5:1 aggravated assaults indicates that for every 5 offenses of aggravated assault in a metro area, nonmetro areas experienced one aggravated assault.



Metropolitan Area Center	Counties Included
Duluth	Carlton, St. Louis
Fargo	Clay
Grand Forks	Polk
La Crosse-Onalaska	Houston
Mankato-North Mankato	Blue Earth, Nicollet
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington	Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Le Sueur, Mille Lacs, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Washington, Wright
Rochester	Dodge, Fillmore, Olmsted, Wabasha
St. Cloud	Benton, Stearns

Table 6.1: Metropolitan Counties

Table 6.2: Metro and Nonmetro Offenses and Clearances

Offense	Metro			Non-Metro		
	Offenses	Cleared	Cleared (%)	Offenses	Cleared	Cleared (%)
Murder	168	105	62	17	16	94
Rape	1824	562	31	398	167	42
Robbery	3628	736	20	257	107	42
Aggravated Assault	6744	3316	49	1459	1035	71
Burglary	14133	1612	11	2656	449	17
Larceny	76310	14451	19	12820	3012	23
Motor Vehicle Theft	12416	1150	9	1246	282	23
Arson	602	89	15	108	38	35
Human Trafficking	68	14	21	30	4	13
Part I	115893	22035	19	18991	5110	27
Other Assaults	18898	8170	43	5353	2698	50
Forgery / Counterfeiting	3868	928	24	932	198	21
Fraud	17494	2504	14	3340	1274	38
Embezzlement	118	45	38	46	12	26
Stolen Property	2899	1948	67	414	281	68
Vandalism	22723	2629	12	6440	1100	17
Weapons	3375	1735	51	925	721	78
Prostitution	56	32	57	10	2	20
Other Sex Offenses	2194	621	28	602	227	38
Drug Abuse	12309	10033	82	5068	4150	82
Gambling	16	17	106	0	0	NaN
Family / Children	3580	552	15	150	119	79
DUI	13527	8964	66	4497	3773	84
Liquor Laws	1593	1490	94	853	807	95
Disorderly Conduct	6917	4679	68	2551	2119	83
Vagrancy	236	206	87	45	41	91
Other (except Traffic)	24485	16396	67	9100	7991	88
Part II	134288	60949	45	40326	25513	63
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	52	48	92	16	15	94
Runaways (Juvenile)	1002	579	58	281	225	80
Part II Juvenile Offenses	1054	627	59	297	240	81
Grand Total	251235	83611	33	59614	30863	52

Offense	Metro Crime Rate	Nonmetro Crime Rate	Ratio Metro:Nonmetro Offenses
Murder	4	1	10:1
Rape	41	32	5:1
Robbery	82	21	14:1
Aggravated Assault	152	119	5:1
Burglary	319	216	5:1
Larceny	1,723	1,044	6:1
Motor Vehicle Theft	280	101	10:1
Arson	14	9	6:1
Human Trafficking	2	2	2:1
Part I	2,617	1,546	6:1
Other Assaults	427	436	4:1
Forgery / Counterfeiting	87	76	4:1
Fraud	395	272	5:1
Embezzlement	3	4	3:1
Stolen Property	65	34	7:1
Vandalism	513	524	4:1
Weapons	76	75	4:1
Prostitution	1	1	6:1
Other Sex Offenses	50	49	4:1
Drug Abuse	278	413	2:1
Gambling	0	0	Inf:1
Family / Children	81	12	24:1
DUI	305	366	3:1
Liquor Laws	36	69	2:1
Disorderly Conduct	156	208	3:1
Vagrancy	5	4	5:1
Other (except Traffic)	553	741	3:1
Part II	3,032	3,283	3:1
Curfew / Loitering (Juvenile)	1	1	3:1
Runaways (Juvenile)	23	23	4:1
Part II Juvenile Offenses	24	24	4:1
Grand Total	5,672	4,853	4:1

Table 6.3: Metro and Nonmetro Crime Rate per 100,000 and Offense Ratio\*

\* Ratio is determined by dividing the number of metro offenses by the number of nonmetro offenses from table 6.2.

Metro and Nonmetro stolen and recovered value is available by [property type](#).

Metro and Nonmetro offenses are available by [population group](#).

## Chapter 7

# CRIME OFFENSES AND ARRESTS FOR STATE JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

The judicial district breakdown of [crimes](#) and arrests within Minnesota provides another measurement of the volume of crime based on specific areas. The judicial districts evaluated are based upon the ten judicial districts in the state.

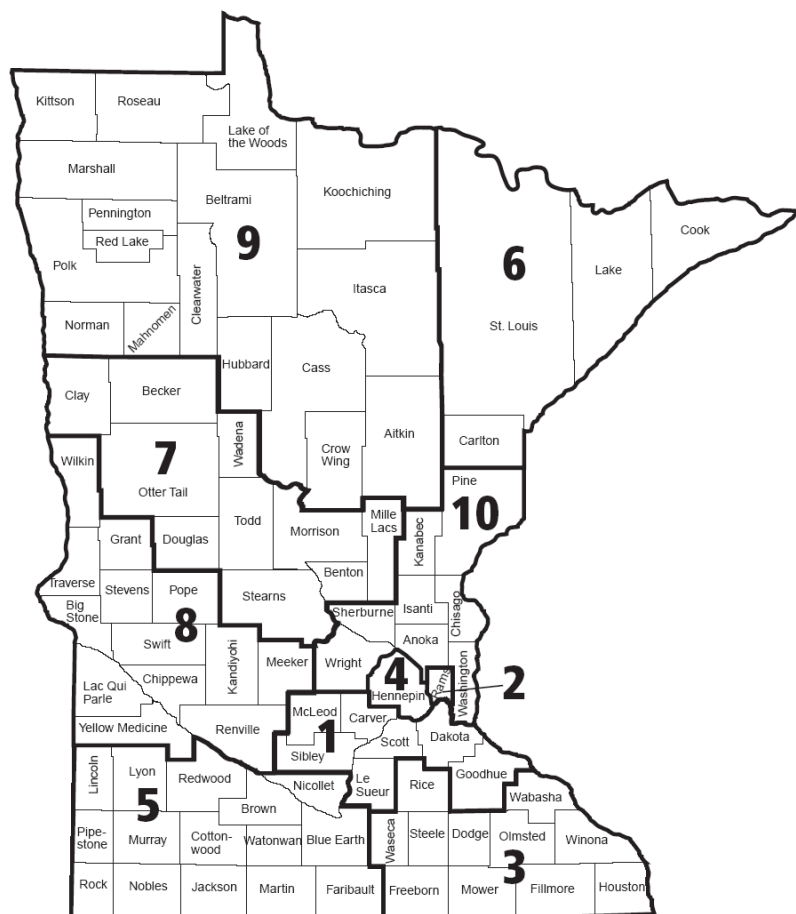




Table 7.1: Violent and Property Crimes by Judicial District

Judicial District	Violent Crime Rate	Violent Crimes	Property Crime Rate	Property Crimes
1	118	956	1,596	12,955
2	489	2,689	3,562	19,582
3	155	755	1,365	6,631
4	469	5,988	3,029	38,700
5	140	401	1,023	2,920
6	212	529	2,279	5,698
7	176	884	2,008	10,105
8	132	211	1,098	1,750
9	161	544	1,478	5,008
10	124	1,230	1,629	16,217

Table 7.2: Arrests by Judicial District

Judicial District	Part I Arrests	Part II Arrests
1	3,119	11,027
2	1,655	4,768
3	2,097	8,015
4	7,311	18,368
5	899	5,433
6	1,529	4,215
7	2,830	9,586
8	363	2,342
9	1,418	6,384
10	3,550	12,159
Total	31,573	108,620

## Chapter 8

# LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

Minnesota State Law Enforcement agencies reported a total of 15,531 sworn and civilian employees for 2020. Of that amount, 9,981 were sworn personnel and 5,550 were civilian employees.<sup>1</sup>

The average number of full time law enforcement personnel in 2020 (including sworn and civilian) amounted to 2.7 employees for each 1,000 residents of the state. The average number of sworn personnel (excluding civilian) amounted to 1.8 full-time sworn personnel per 1,000 residents. These figures represent the averages as derived from the submitted data and are not the recommended ratios for Minnesota law enforcement agencies. The average ratio of law enforcement personnel for any given community may, and does, vary according to a number of community and policing factors.

The number of Law Enforcement agencies that fail to report their Law Enforcement employee information varies from year to year. In 2015, 38 LE agencies didn't report their employee information. In 2016, 1 LE agency didn't report their employee information.

Staffing levels in 2020 and changes from the previous year were as follows:

- Sheriff's departments reported a total of 6,776 employees in 2020, which was an increase of 0.5 percent from the previous year 2019 with a total of 6,743.
- Police departments reported a total of 7,072 employees in 2020, which was a decrease of 2.5 percent from the previous year 2019 with a total of 7,253.
- The State Patrol reported a total of 723 employees in 2020, which was a decrease of 5.6 percent from the previous year 2019 with a total of 766.
- Other zero population agencies reported a total of 960 employees in 2020, which was a decrease of 15 percent from the previous year 2019 with a total of 1130.

Of the total number of sworn personnel in 2020 (9,981), there were 8,757 males and 1,224 females. Considering the total number of civilian personnel for the same year (5,550), there were 2,443 males and 3,107 females.

Data on the number of employees by gender and agency is available for [Police Department](#), [Sheriffs](#), [Minnesota State Patrol](#), and for [Zero Population Agencies](#).

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<sup>1</sup>Employee counts include the number of full-time law enforcement and civilian personnel on October 31 of the reporting year.

Table 8.1: Police Department Employee Data

Population Group	Population	Civilian	Sworn	Sworn per 1,000	Total	Total per 1,000
City 250,000 - 499,999	744,975	283	1,454	2.0	1,737	2.3
City 100,000 - 249,999	120,336	64	145	1.2	209	1.7
City 50,000 - 99,999	1,104,937	271	1,261	1.1	1,532	1.4
City 25,000 - 49,999	749,650	163	905	1.2	1,068	1.4
City 10,000 - 24,999	773,768	210	1,096	1.4	1,306	1.7
City 2,500 - 9,999	443,577	94	792	1.8	886	2.0
City under 2,500	153,368	11	322	2.1	333	2.2
NA	NA	1	0	NA	1	NA

Table 8.2: Sheriff Department Employee Data

Population Group	Population	Civilian	Sworn	Sworn per 1,000	Total	Total per 1,000
Non-metro County 25,000 - 99,999	152,926	273	177	1.2	450	2.9
Non-metro County 10,000 - 24,999	293,714	634	443	1.5	1,077	3.7
Non-metro County under 10,000	221,068	433	412	1.9	845	3.8
Metro County 100,000 or over	117,093	112	153	1.3	265	2.3
Metro County 25,000 - 99,999	539,490	1,182	1,009	1.9	2,191	4.1
Metro County 10,000 - 24,999	202,173	494	399	2.0	893	4.4
Metro County under 10,000	32,528	651	404	12.4	1,055	32.4

Table 8.3: Zero Population Employee Data

Agency Type	Number Civilian	Number Sworn	Total
Patrol	176	547	723
ZeroPop	498	462	960

## Chapter 9

# LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED OR ASSAULTED

Vital information other than Uniform Crime Reporting is also collected that evaluates the number of law enforcement personnel who have been assaulted and/or killed. The data from those county (sheriff) and municipal (police) agencies reporting is collected and tabulated annually.

There were a total of 667 law enforcement officer assault incidents reported in Minnesota for 2020 with 794 officers assaulted. 590 of the assault incidents were cleared, with a clearance rate of 88%.

There were no law enforcement fatalities in 2020.

Data on officers killed or assaulted is available by [incident](#).

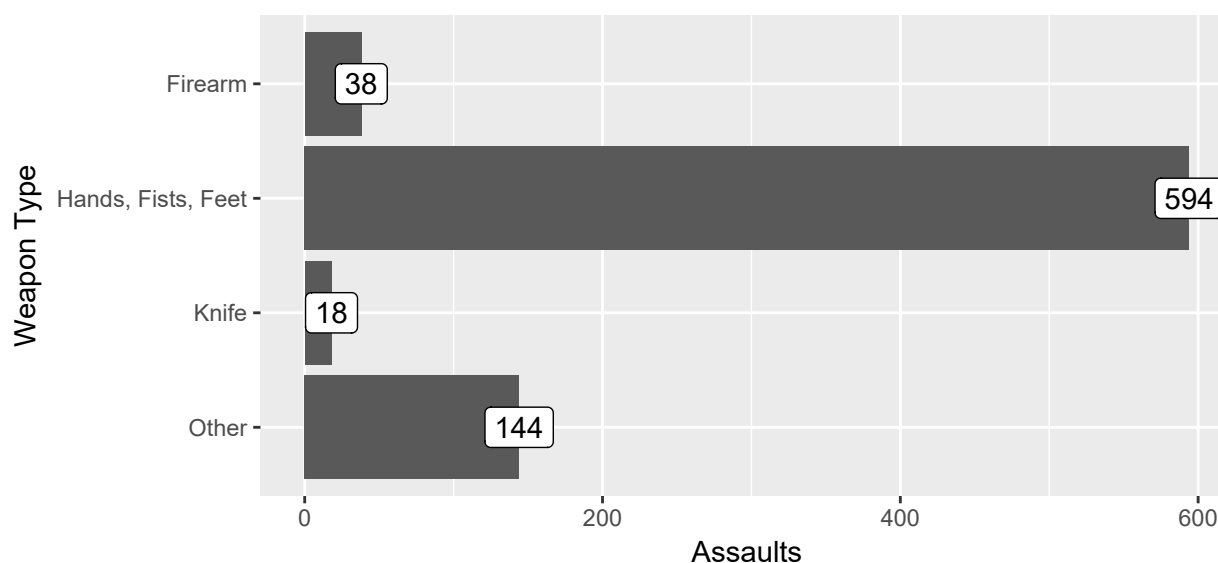


Figure 9.1: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted By Type of Weapon

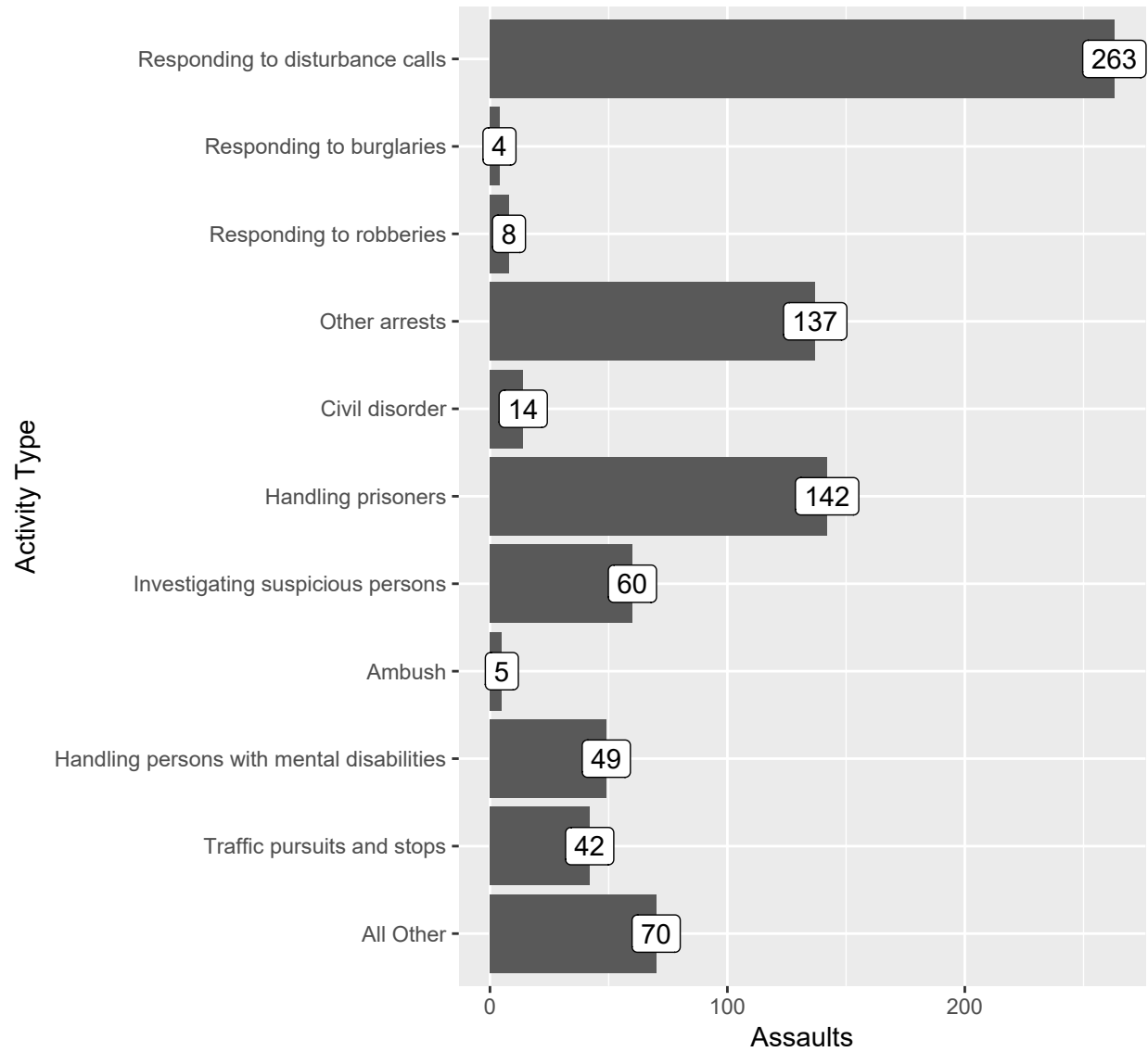


Figure 9.2: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted By Type of Activity

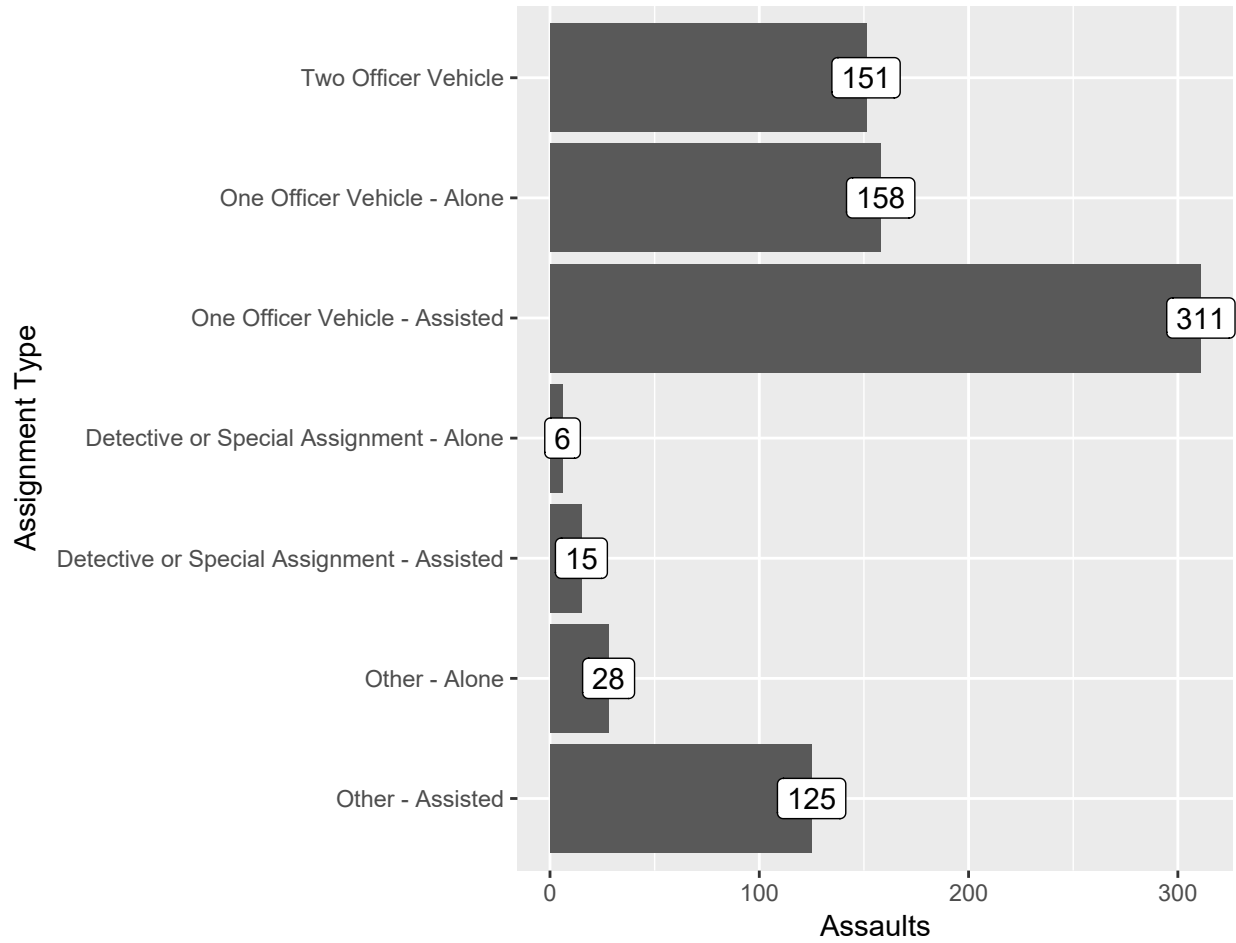


Figure 9.3: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted By Type of Assignment

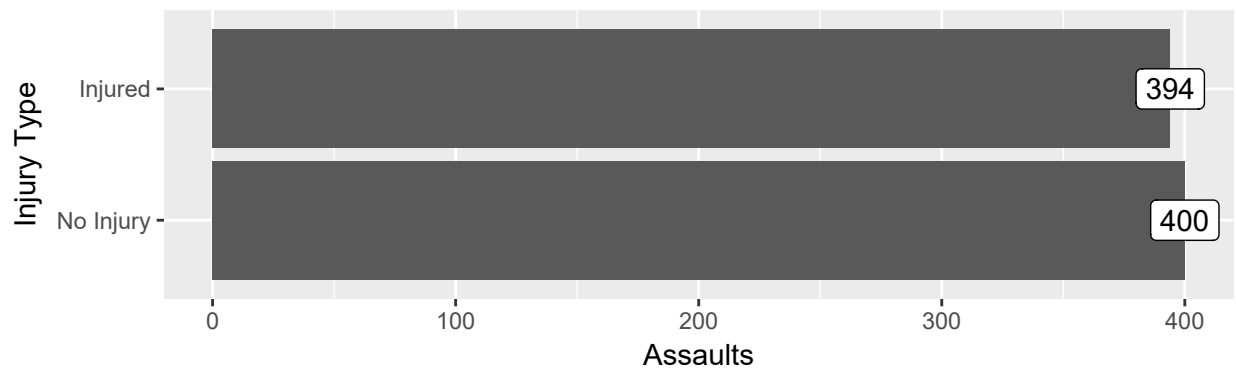


Figure 9.4: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted By Type of Injury

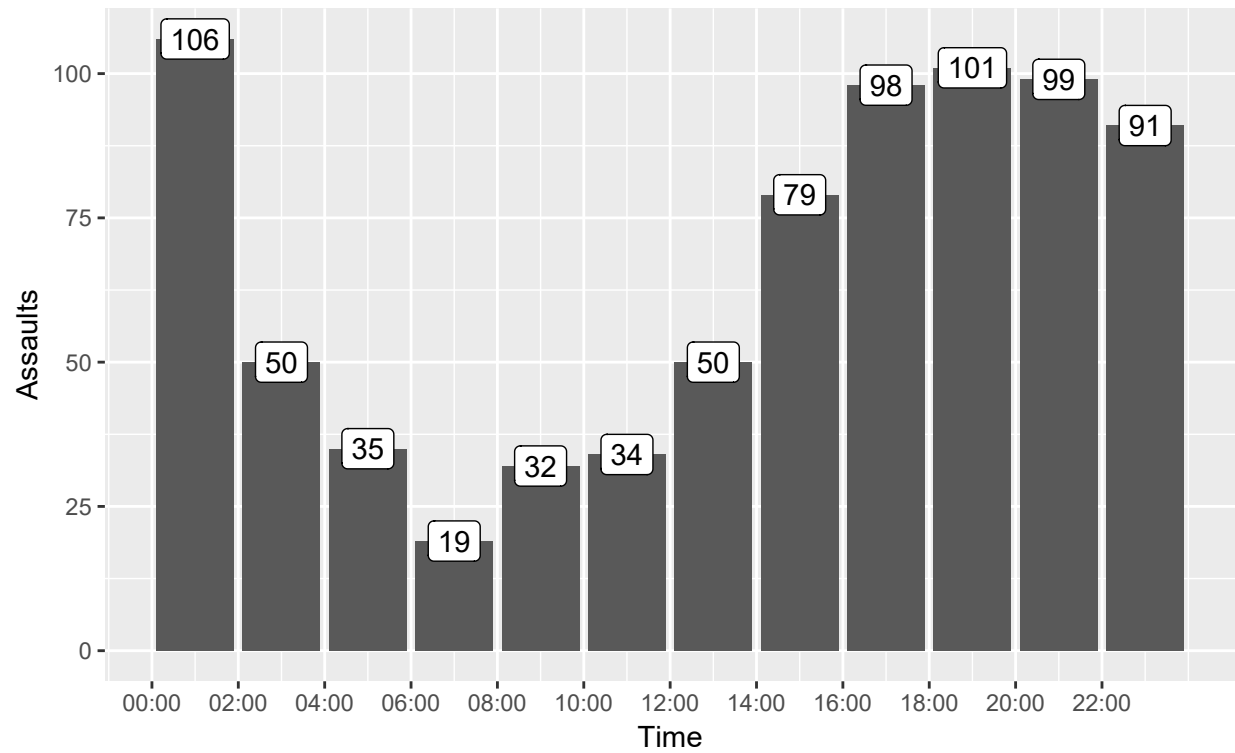


Figure 9.5: Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted By Time of Incident

## Chapter 10

# LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FIREARMS DISCHARGES, OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, AND USE OF FORCE

Pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 626.553, Subdivision 2, information is collected concerning firearm discharges by law enforcement officers in Minnesota. 1978 was the first full year that this information was available.

### 10.1 SUMMARY

There were 41 firearms discharge incidents in 2020, with 164 shots fired. Of these, 35 incidents were in the course of duty or employment, and 6 incidents were accidental discharge.

There were 31 individuals fired at in firearms discharge incidents. Of these:

- 8 were killed
- 10 were wounded
- 13 had a resulting injury level of “Other”, meaning they were not injured as a result of the firearms discharge.

Data on firearms discharges is available by [incident](#).



Table 10.1: Firearms Shots Fired by Agency Population Group

Population Group	Number of Agencies Reporting	Shots Fired
City 250,000 - 499,999	2	25
City 100,000 - 249,999	1	1
City 50,000 - 99,999	5	49
City 25,000 - 49,999	3	4
City 10,000 - 24,999	6	17
City 2,500 - 9,999	2	5
City under 2,500	1	2
Non-metro County 25,000 - 99,999	2	25
Non-metro County 10,000 - 24,999	2	8
Metro County 25,000 - 99,999	4	8
Metro County 10,000 - 24,999	4	15
Metro County under 10,000	2	3

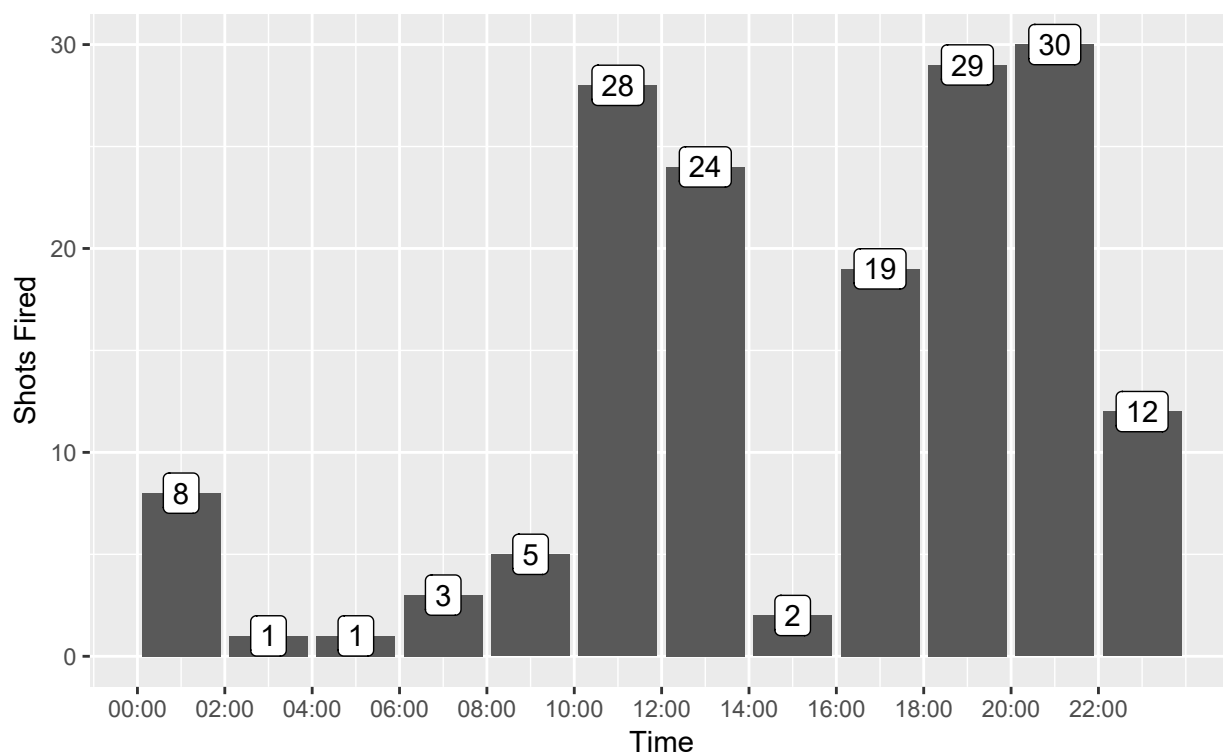


Figure 10.1: Firearms Shots Fired By Time of Day

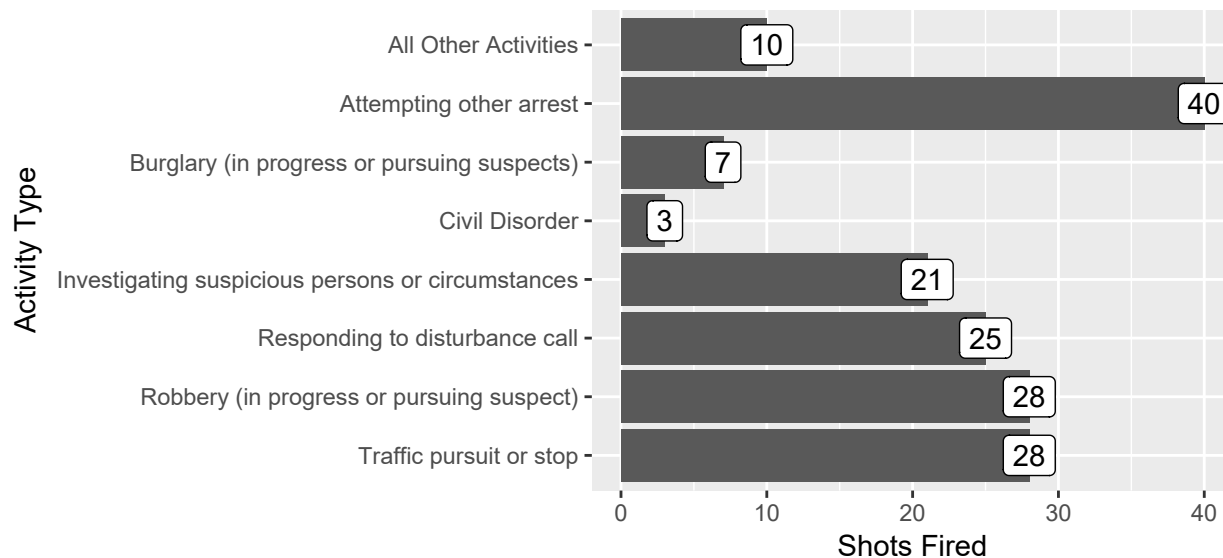


Figure 10.2: Firearms Shots Fired By Activity Type



Figure 10.3: Firearms Shots Fired By Assignment Type

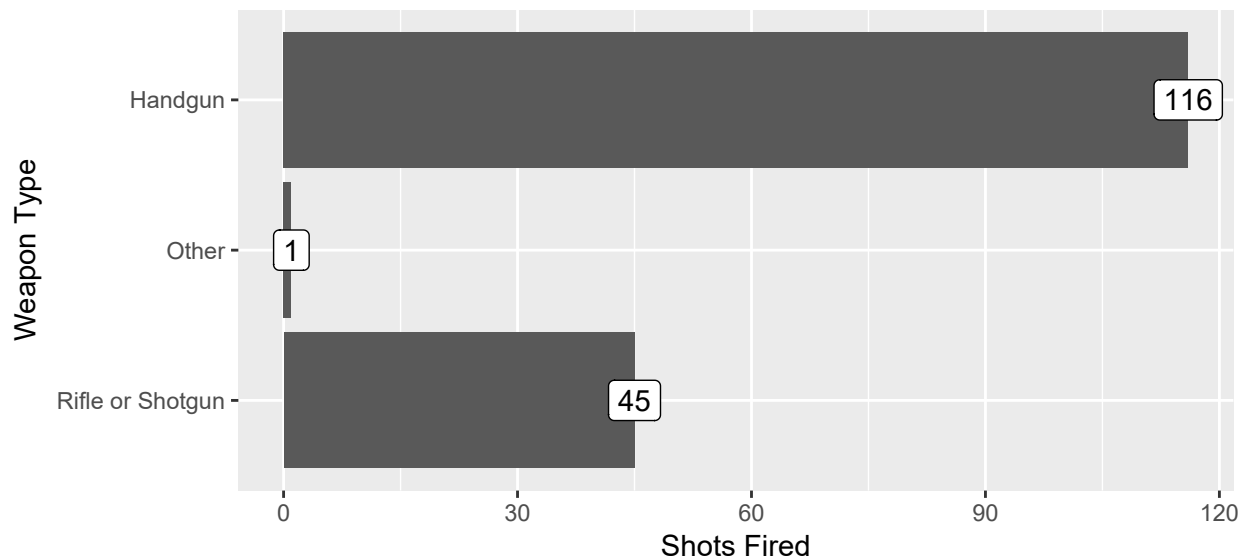


Figure 10.4: Firearms Shots Fired By Weapon Type

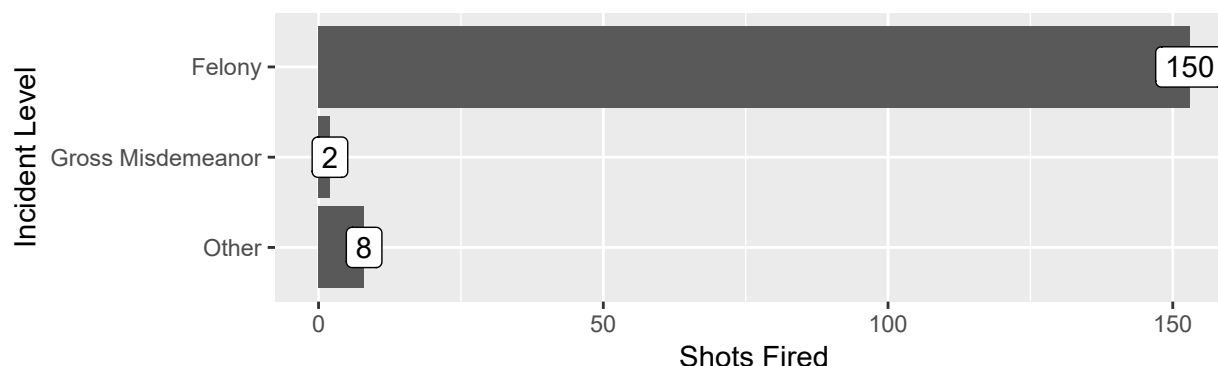


Figure 10.5: Firearms Shots Fired By Incident Level

\*Other includes accidental discharge, traffic stops, welfare checks, investigating suspicious circumstances

## 10.2 MINNESOTA USE-OF-FORCE DATA INCLUDED IN THE FBI'S NATIONAL USE-OF-FORCE DATA COLLECTION

The Minnesota Legislature during a 2020 special session enacted a new law (Minn. Stat. 626.5534) requiring Minnesota law enforcement agencies to provide information about use-of-force for the FBI Use-of-Force Data Collection. Agencies had already begun providing data on a voluntary basis in 2018 shortly after the FBI first established the data collection.

The FBI created this data collection to inform the national conversation about officer use-of-force and provide an aggregate view of reported incidents and their circumstances, subjects and officers involved for better statistical analysis.

The data received for 2020 represents 97.6% of Minnesota law enforcement officers, which is significantly higher than the 40.4% national total for the year.

The FBI identified three types of use-of-force incidents about which agencies must report.

- When a fatality occurs to a person in connection to use-of-force by a law enforcement officer.
- When there is serious bodily injury<sup>1</sup> to a person in connection with use-of-force by a law enforcement officer.
- In the absence of either death or serious bodily injury, when a firearm is discharged by a law enforcement officer at or in a direction of a person.

The FBI requirements allow agencies to choose Pending or Unknown values for data elements when data is not known or cannot be released due to an outside agency's active investigation. Agencies are expected to amend the reports once the data becomes available.

In the figures below, Subject indicates the individual that the force was applied to.

<sup>1</sup>The definition of serious bodily injury is based, in part, on 18 United States Code 2246 (4). The term “serious bodily injury” means bodily injury that involves a substantial risk of death, unconsciousness, protracted and obvious disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty.”

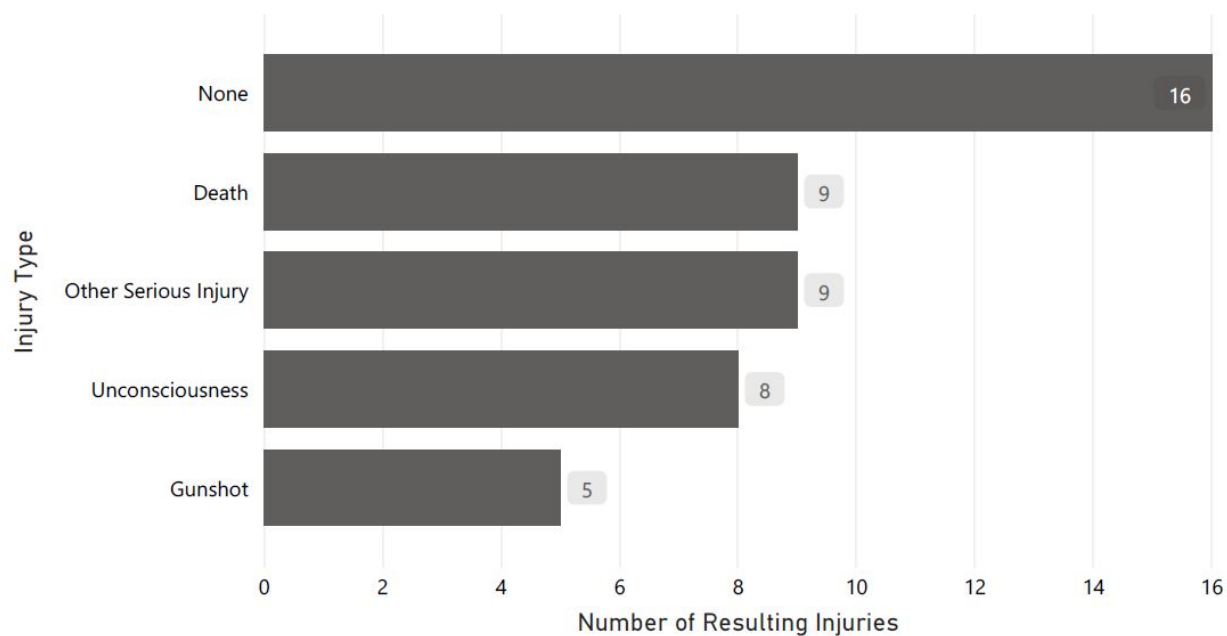


Figure 10.6: Use of Force Subject Injury

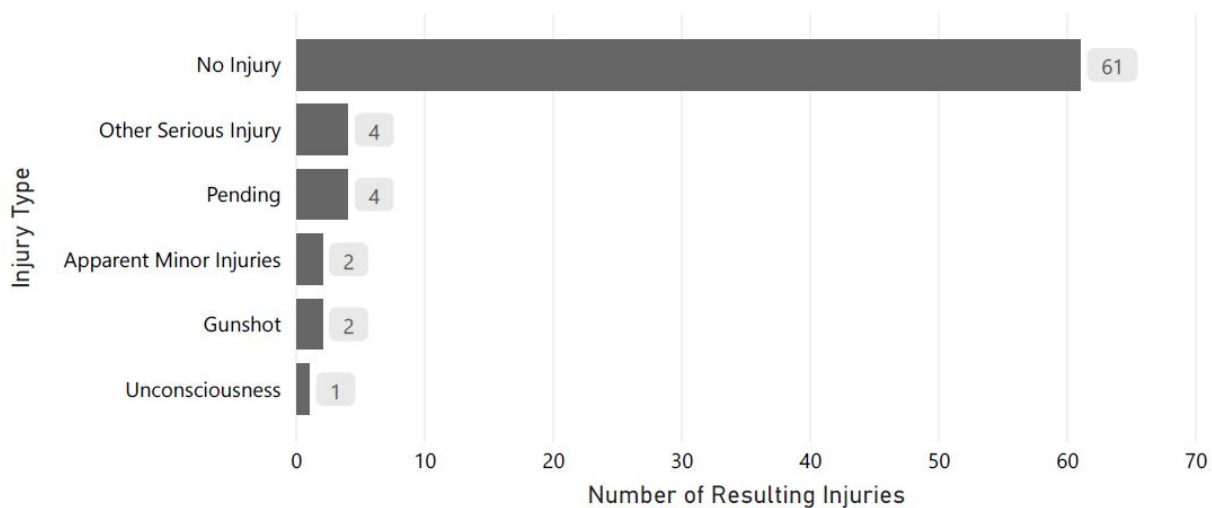


Figure 10.7: Use of Force Officer Injury

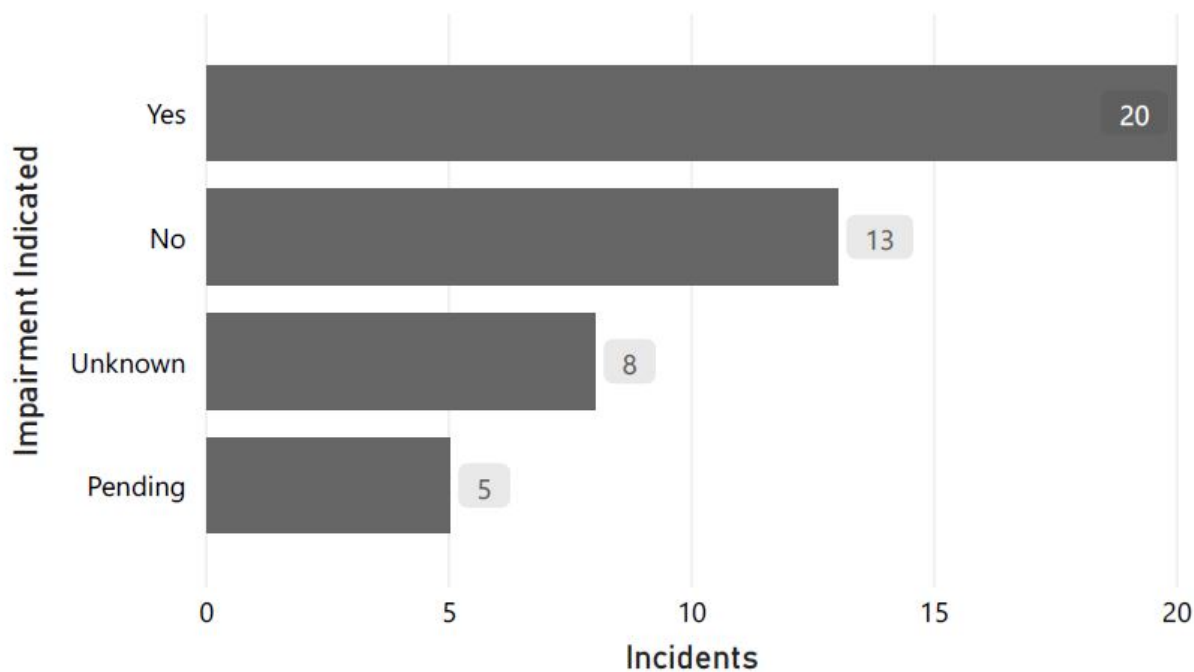


Figure 10.8: Use of Force Subject Impairment Indicated

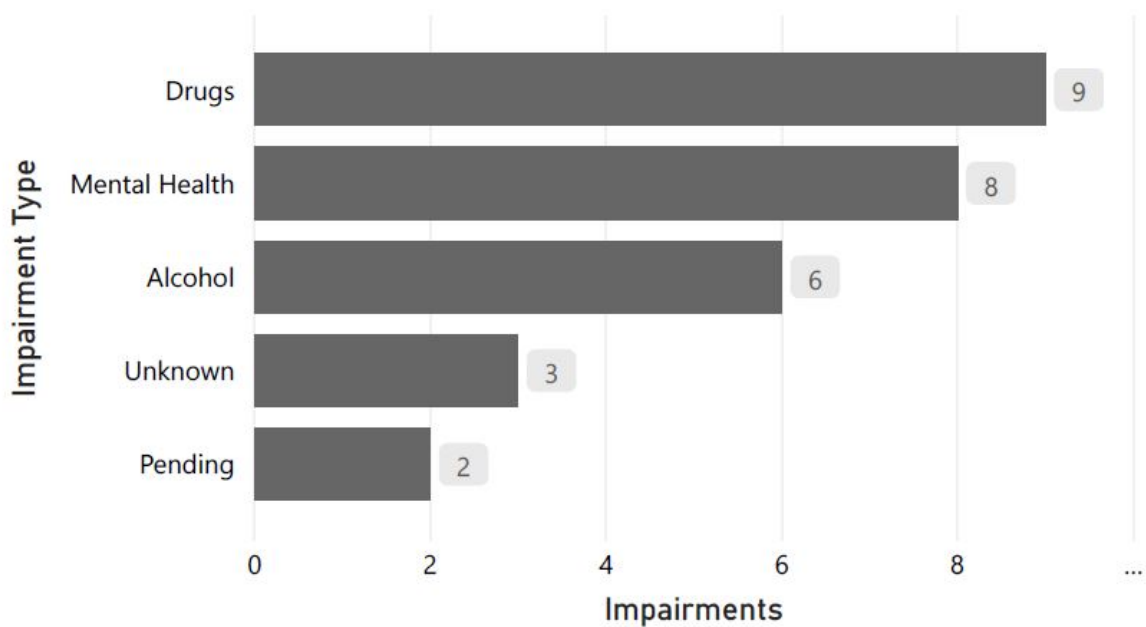


Figure 10.9: Use of Force Subject Impairment Type

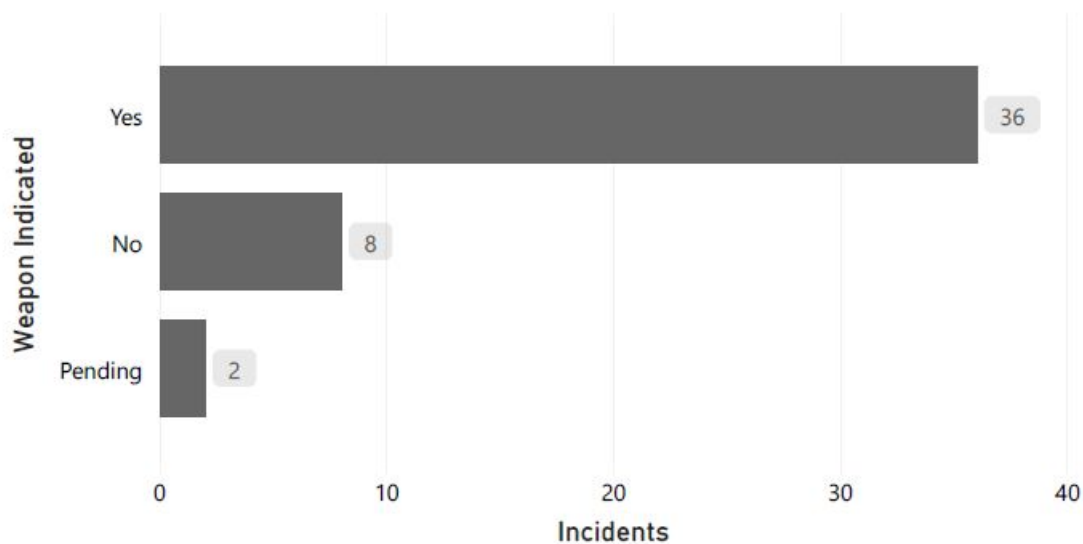


Figure 10.10: Use of Force Subject Armed

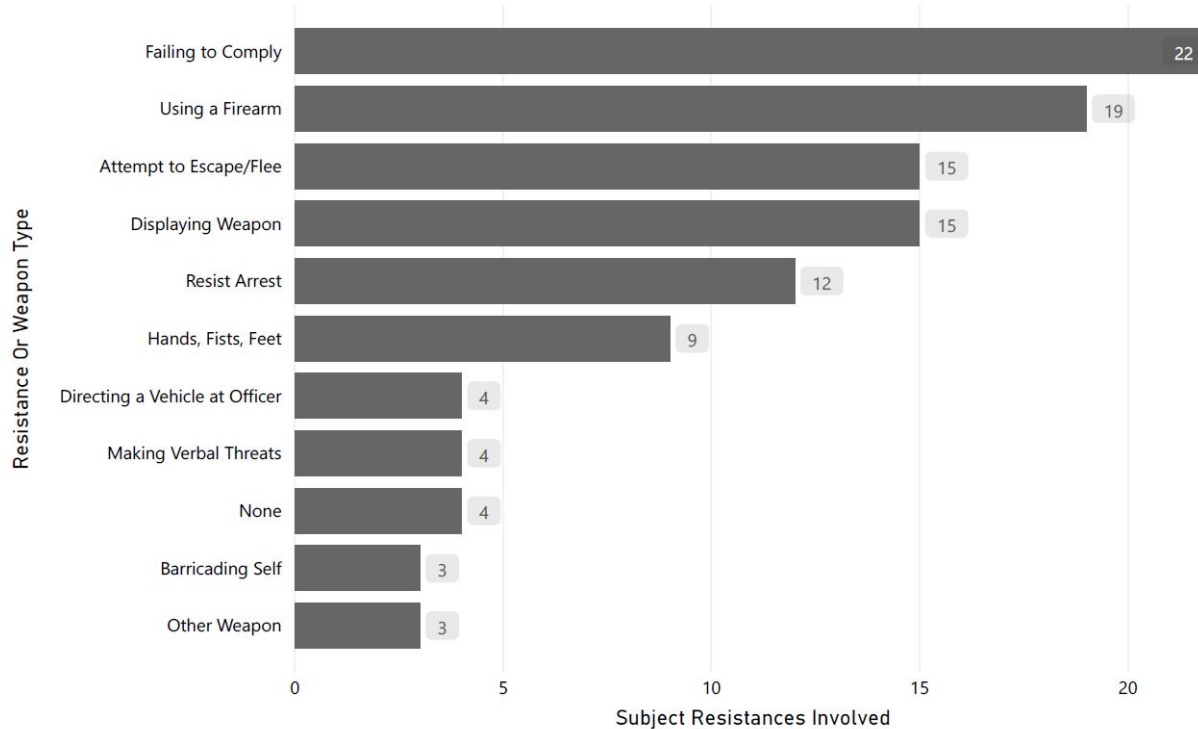


Figure 10.11: Use of Force Resistance

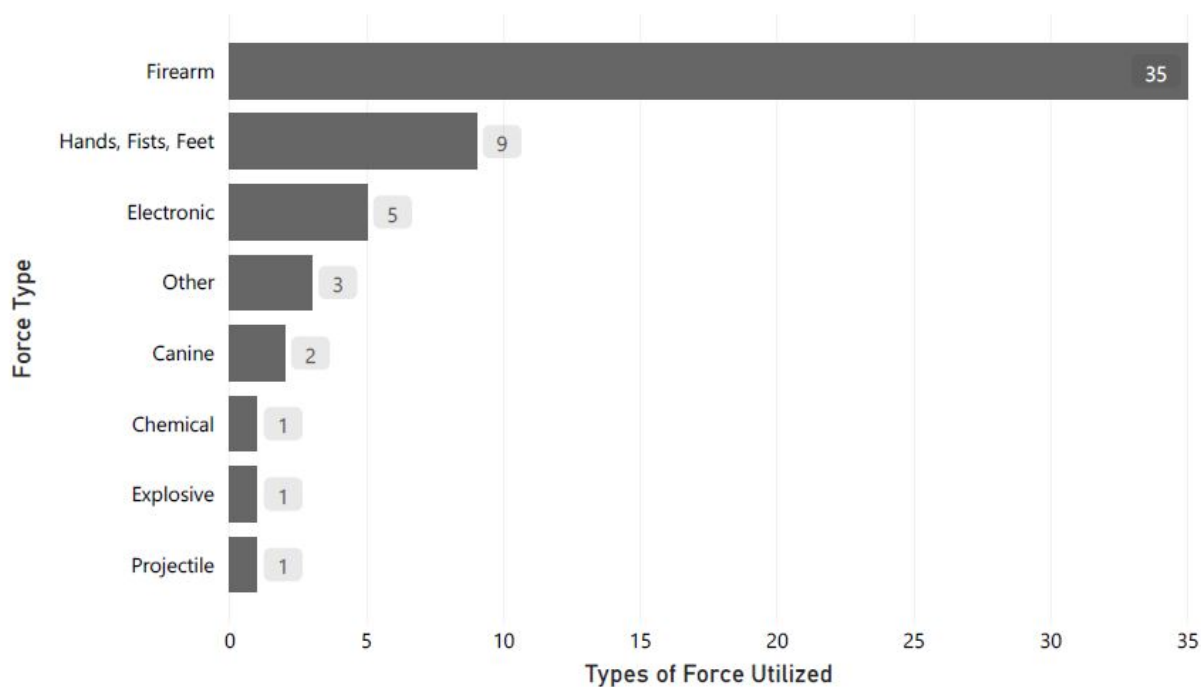


Figure 10.12: Use of Force Utilized

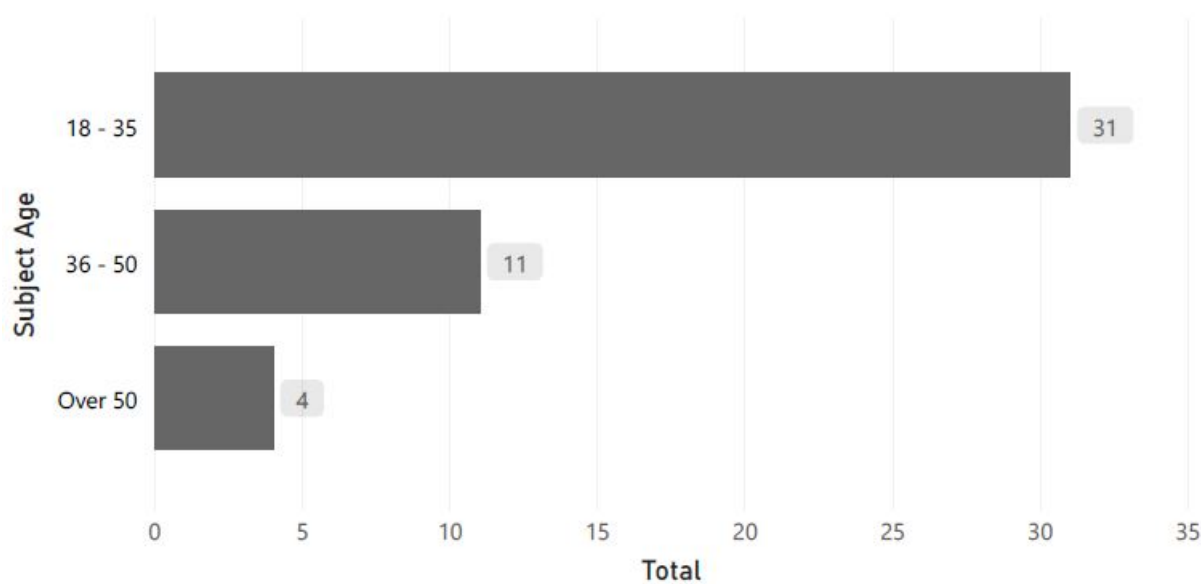


Figure 10.13: Subject Age



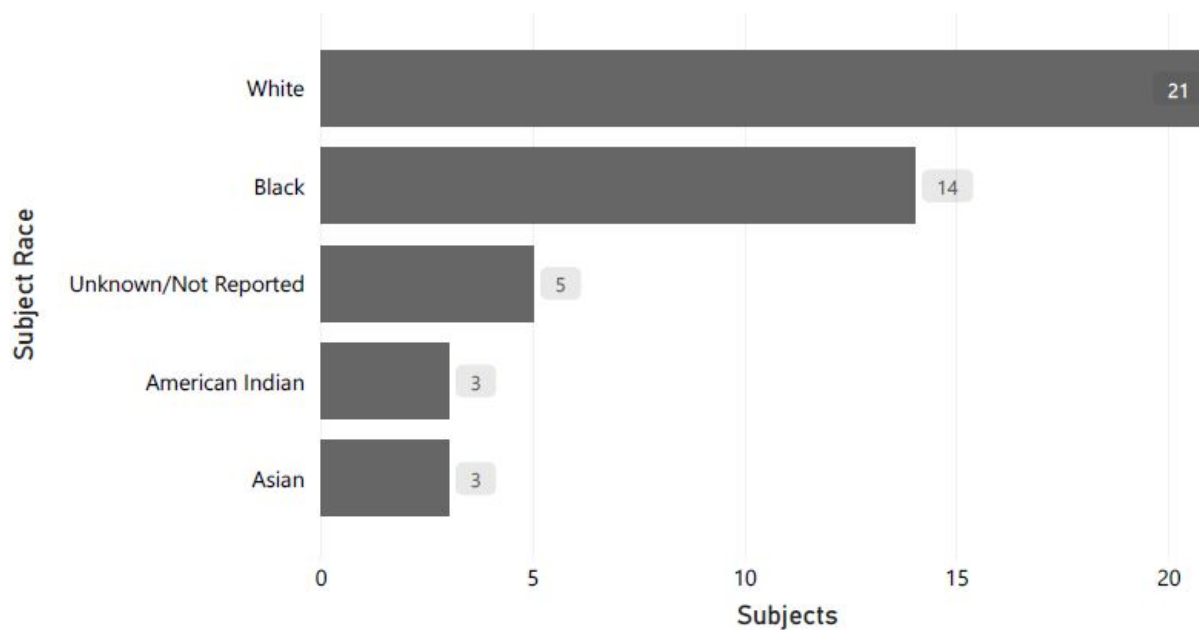


Figure 10.14: Subject Race

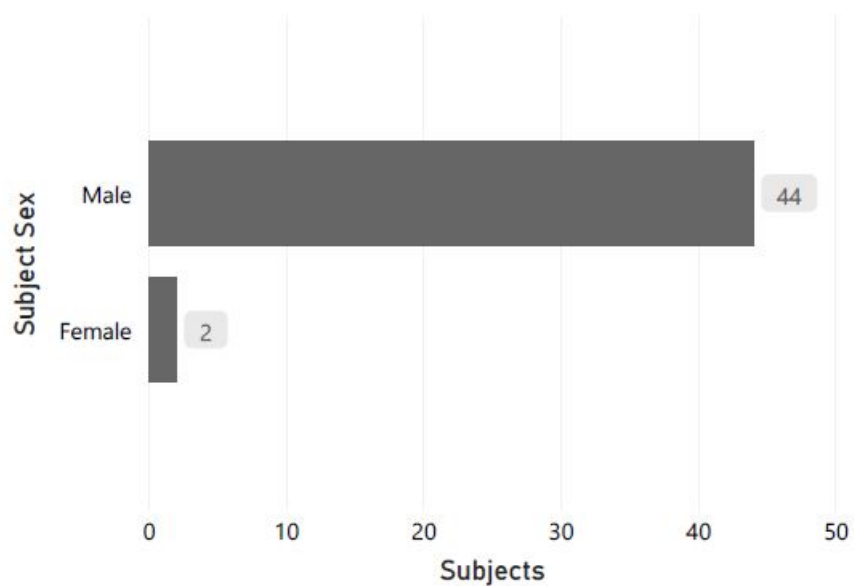


Figure 10.15: Subject Sex

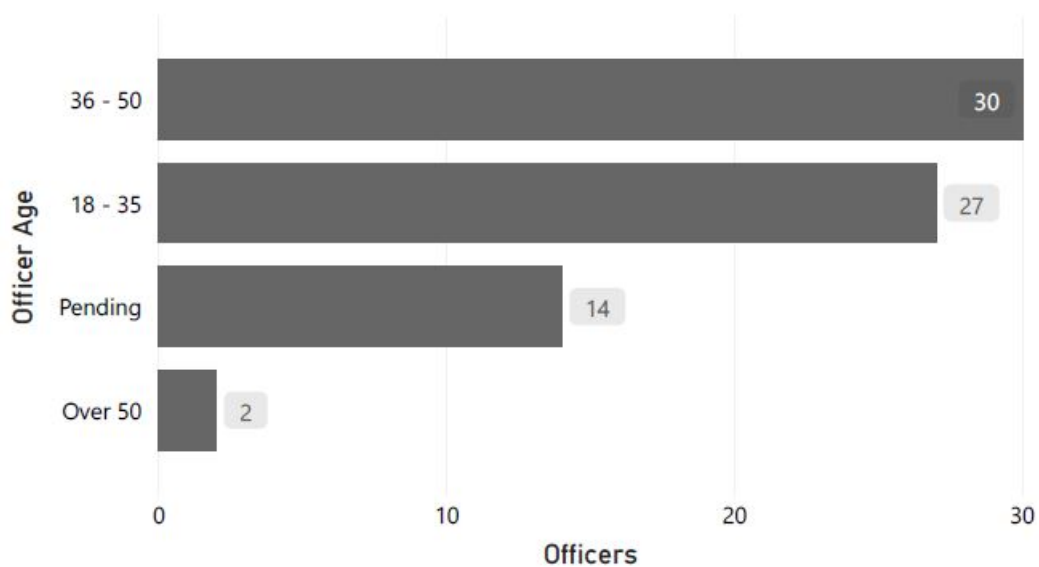


Figure 10.16: Officer Age

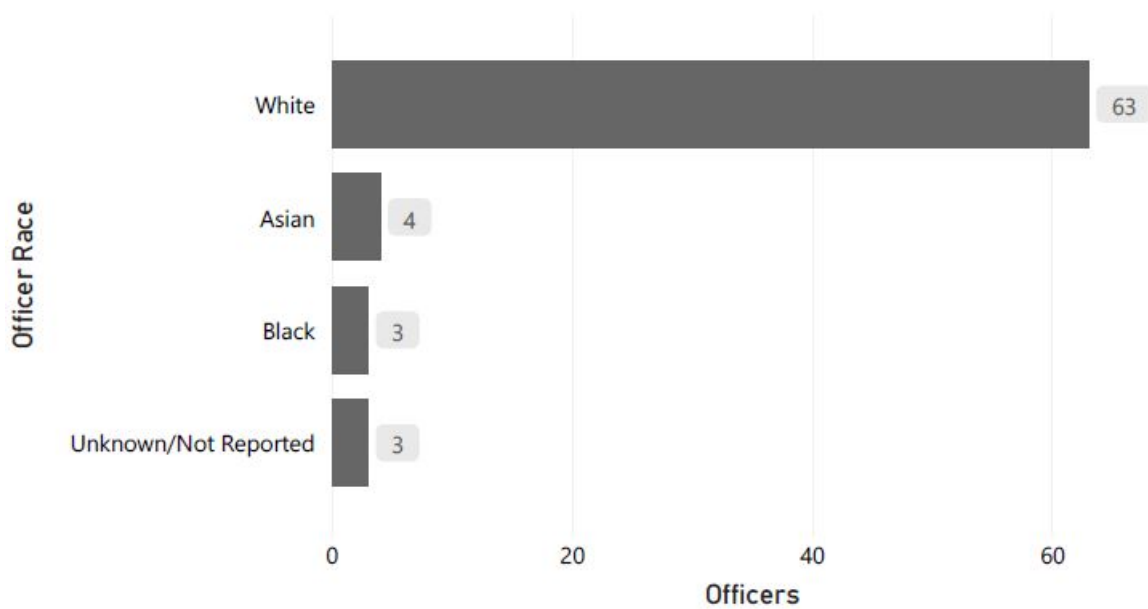


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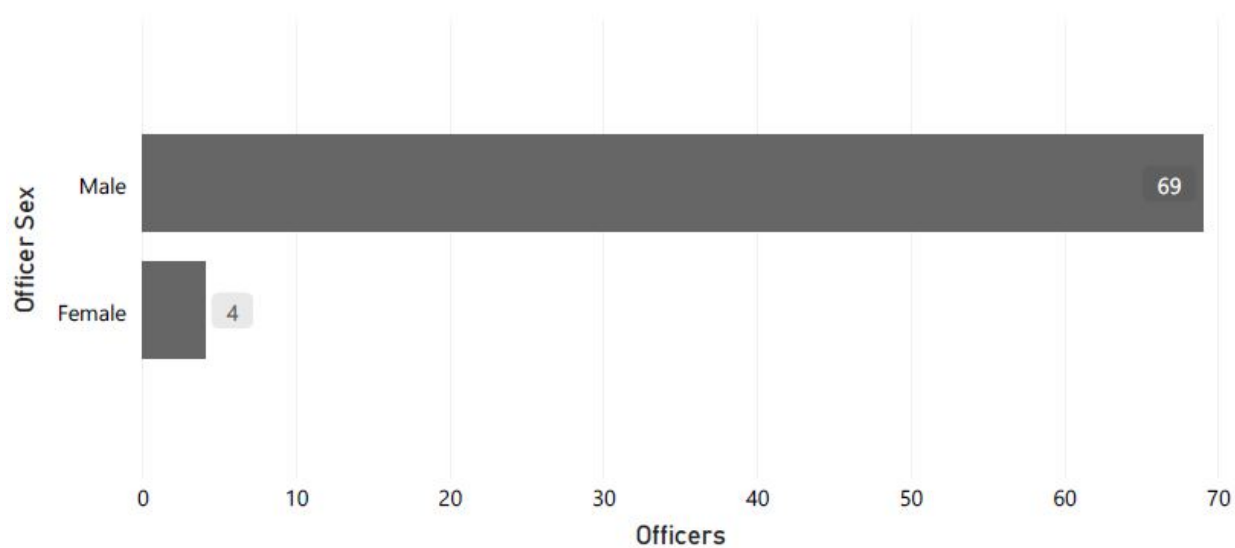


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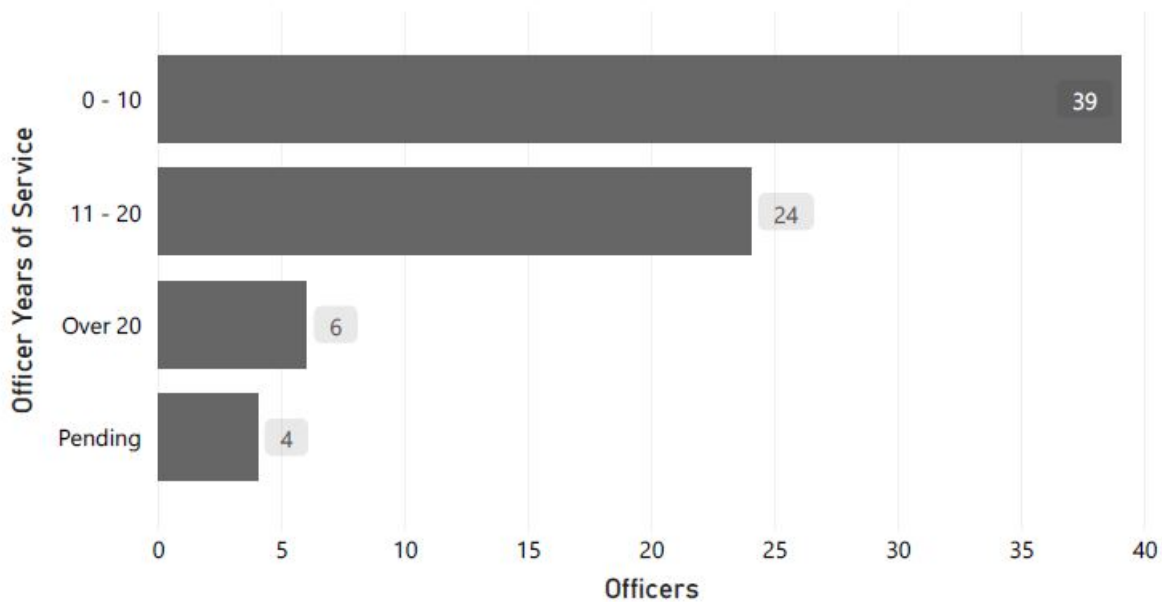


Figure 10.19: Officer Years of Service

## Chapter 11

# POLICE PURSUITS

In 1988, the Legislature passed a law that required all pursuits by peace officers to be reported to the Department of Public Safety.

### **626.5532 PURSUIT OF FLEEING SUSPECTS BY PEACE OFFICERS.**

#### **Subdivision 1. Reports.**

If a peace officer pursues a fleeing suspect, the officer's department head must file a notice of the incident with the commissioner of public safety within 30 days following the pursuit. A pursuit must be reported under this section if it is a pursuit by a peace officer of a motor vehicle being operated in violation of section 609.487. The notice must contain information concerning the reason for and circumstances surrounding the pursuit, including the alleged offense, the length of the pursuit in distance and time, the outcome of the pursuit, any charges filed against the suspect as a result of the pursuit, injuries and property damage resulting from the pursuit, and other information deemed relevant by the commissioner.

## 11.1 SUMMARY

There were 3,109 reported pursuit incidents in 2020. Of these, 1128 resulted in some property damage, while 1,981 had no property damage reported.

For pursuits in which property damage was reported:

- 996 resulted in damage to the violator's vehicle
- 445 resulted in damage to squad cars
- 368 resulted in damage to property or other vehicles.

In 2,062 pursuits the violator driver was charged, in 692 the charge was unknown, and in 562 the driver was not charged.

Data on pursuits is available by [agency](#).

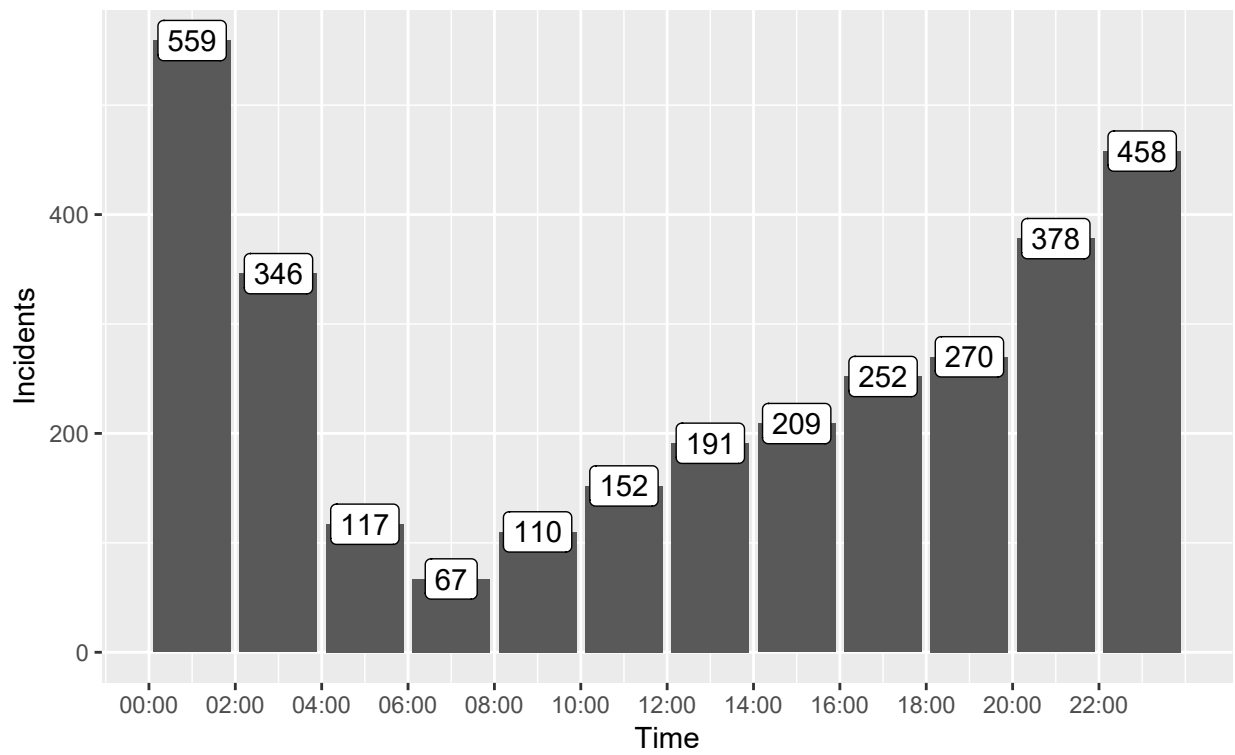


Figure 11.1: Pursuits By Time of Incident

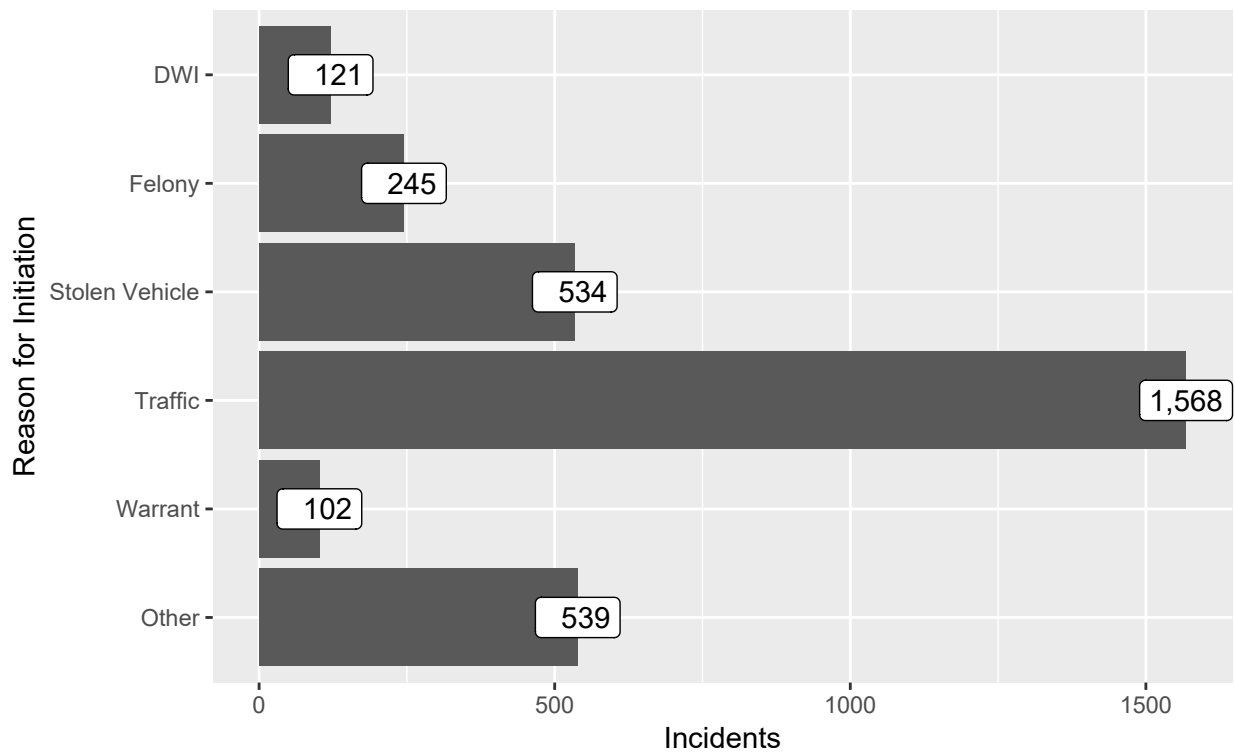


Figure 11.2: Reason for Pursuit Initiation

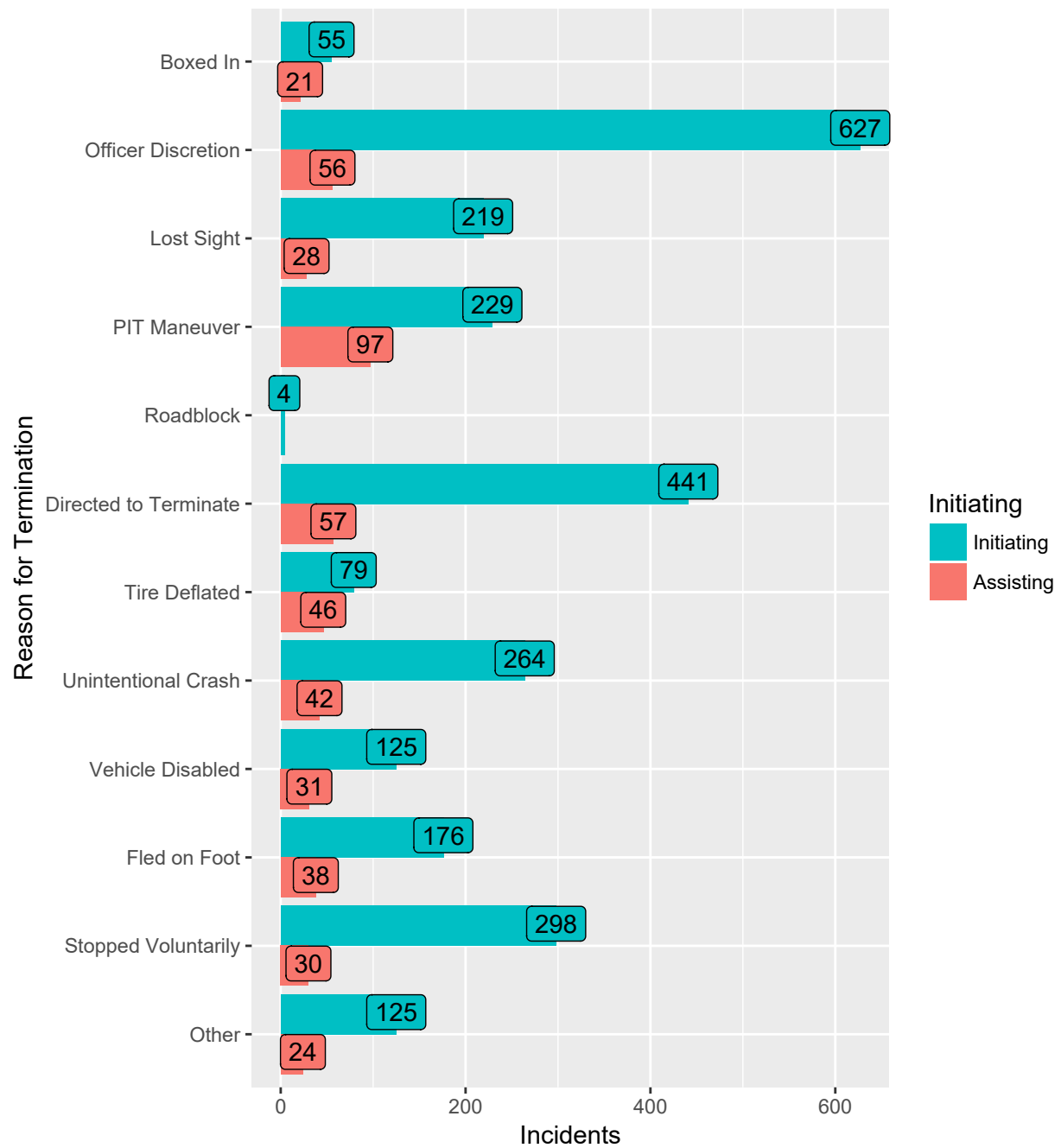


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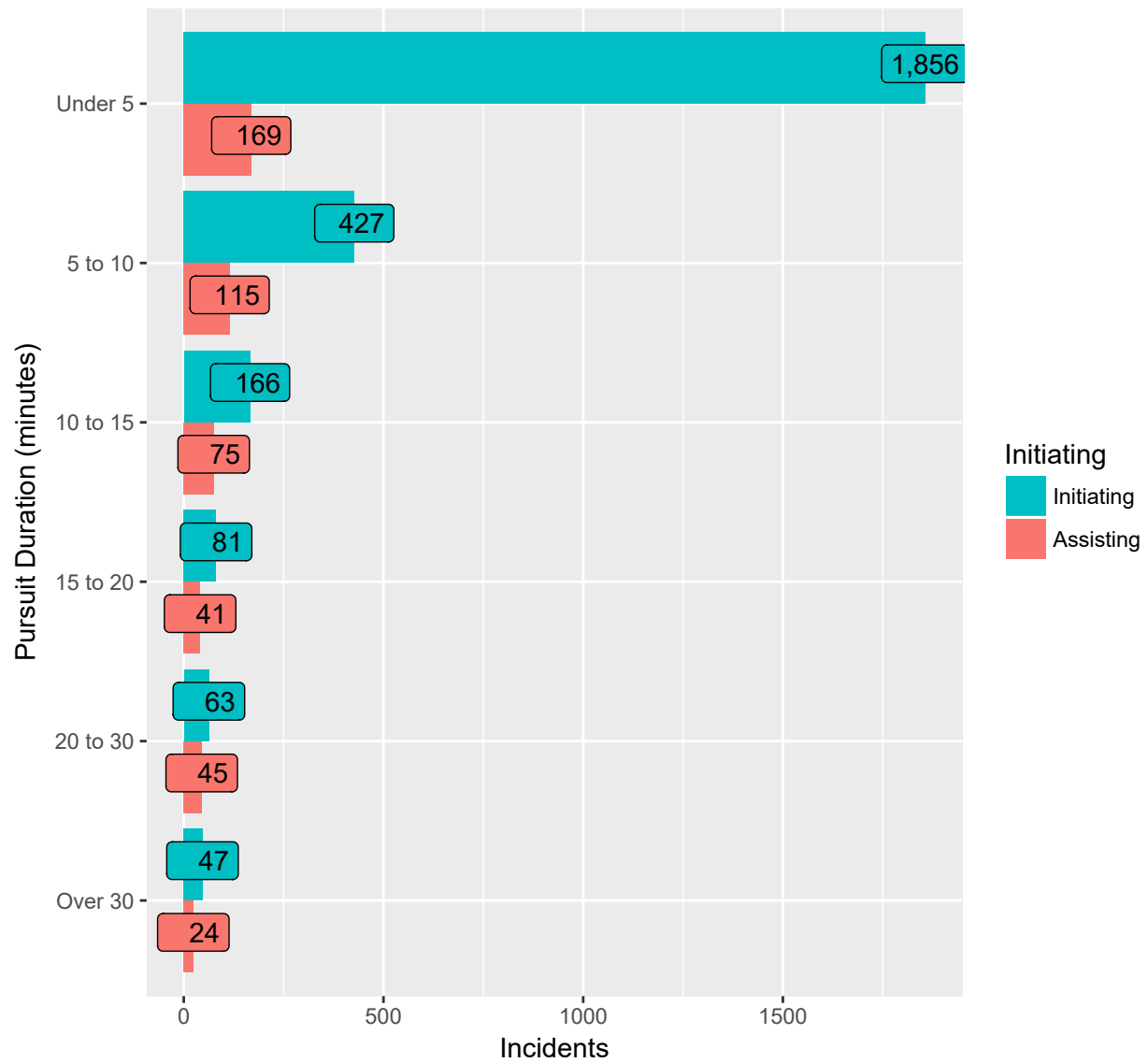


Figure 11.4: Pursuit Duration

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Table 11.1: Injury Type for Persons Involved in or Affected by Pursuit

Type of Person Involved	None	Possible	Minor	Serious	Fatal	Unknown
Driver	2,017	113	55	21	4	470
Passenger	679	36	34	14	3	116
Unrelated	13	1	4	1	2	2
4 - Unrelated Pedestrian	0	0	4	0	0	0
Total	2,083	121	88	15	3	369

Table 11.2: Injury Type for Officers Involved in Pursuit

None	Possible	Minor	Serious	Fatal	Unknown
5,486	20	16	3	1	31



# Chapter 12

## BIAS MOTIVATED CRIMES

In 1988, the Legislature passed a law requiring peace officers to report any incidents which were motivated by bias. 1989 was the first full year this information was collected.

### 626.5531 REPORTING OF CRIMES MOTIVATED BY BIAS

**Subdivision 1. Reports required.** A peace officer must report to the head of the officer's department every violation of chapter 609 or a local criminal ordinance if the officer has reason to believe, or if the victim alleges, that the offender was motivated to commit the act by the victim's race, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or characteristics identified as sexual orientation. The superintendent of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension shall adopt a reporting form to be used by law enforcement agencies in making the reports required under this section. The reports must include for each incident all of the following:

1. the date of the offense;
2. the location of the offense;
3. whether the target of the incident is a person, private property, or public property;
4. the crime committed;
5. the type of bias and information about the offender and victim that is relevant to that bias;
6. any organized group involved in the incident;
7. the disposition of the case;
8. whether the determination that the offense was motivated by bias was based on the officer's reasonable belief or on the victim's allegation; and
9. any additional information the superintendent deems necessary for the acquisition of accurate and relevant data.

**Subd. 2. Use of information collected.** The head of a local law enforcement agency or state law enforcement department that employs peace officers licensed under section 626.843 must file a monthly report describing crimes reported under this section with the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. The commissioner of public safety must summarize and analyze the information received and file an annual report with the Department of Human Rights and the legislature. The commissioner may include information in the annual report concerning any additional criminal activity motivated by bias that is not covered by this section.

### 12.1 SUMMARY

There were 223 bias incidents reported in 2020, with 242 victims and 191 offenders.

Data on bias incidents for 2020 are available by [Agency](#).

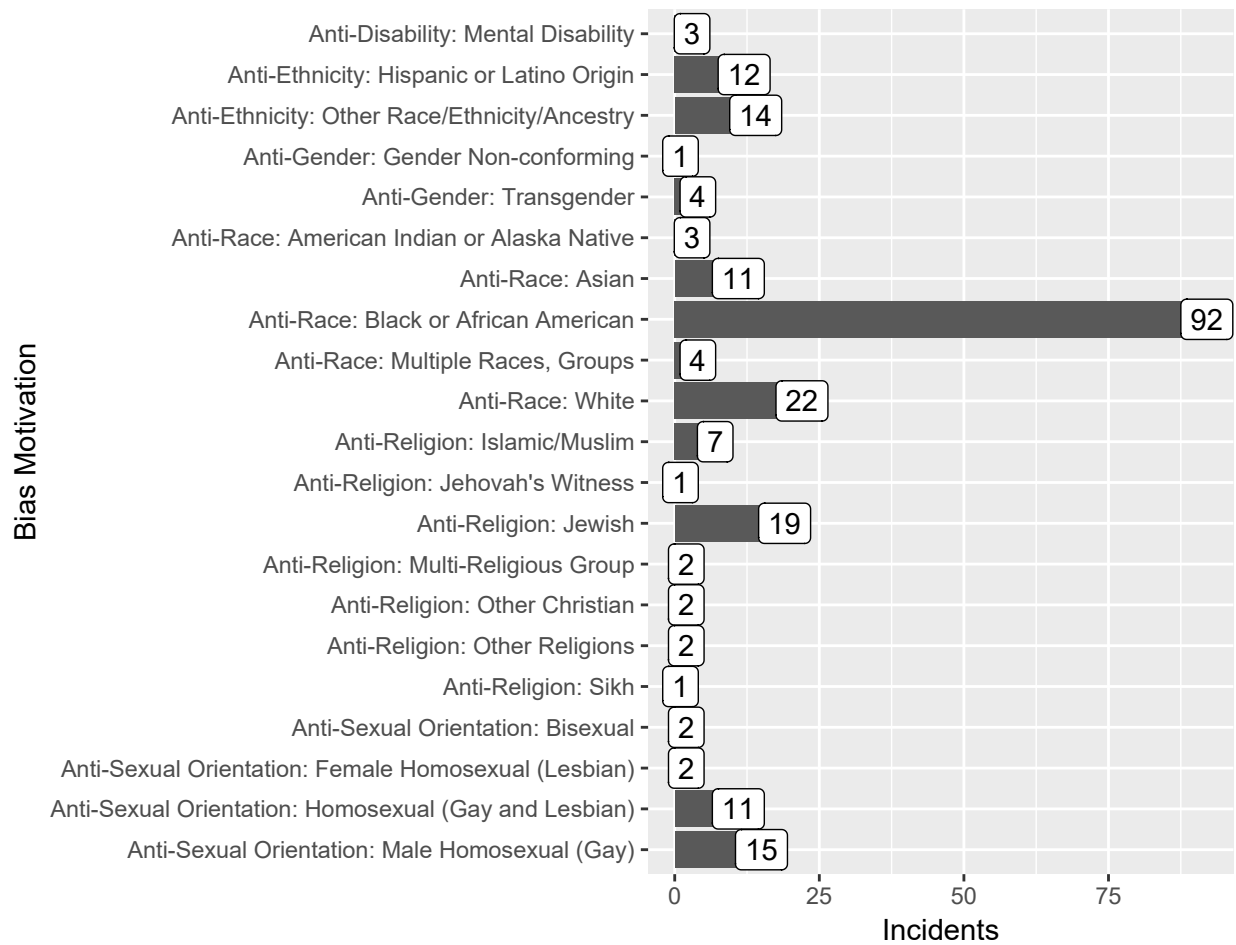


Figure 12.1: Bias Incidents by Bias Motivation Type

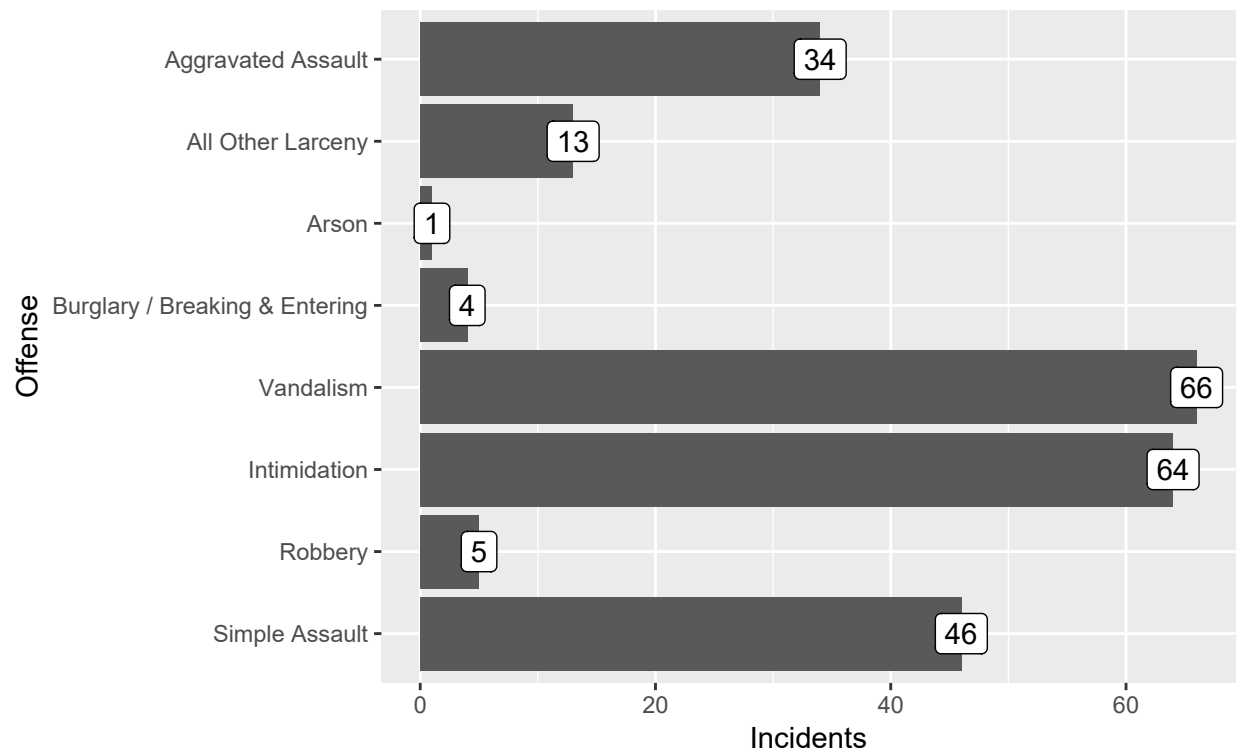


Figure 12.2: Bias Incidents by Offense Committed

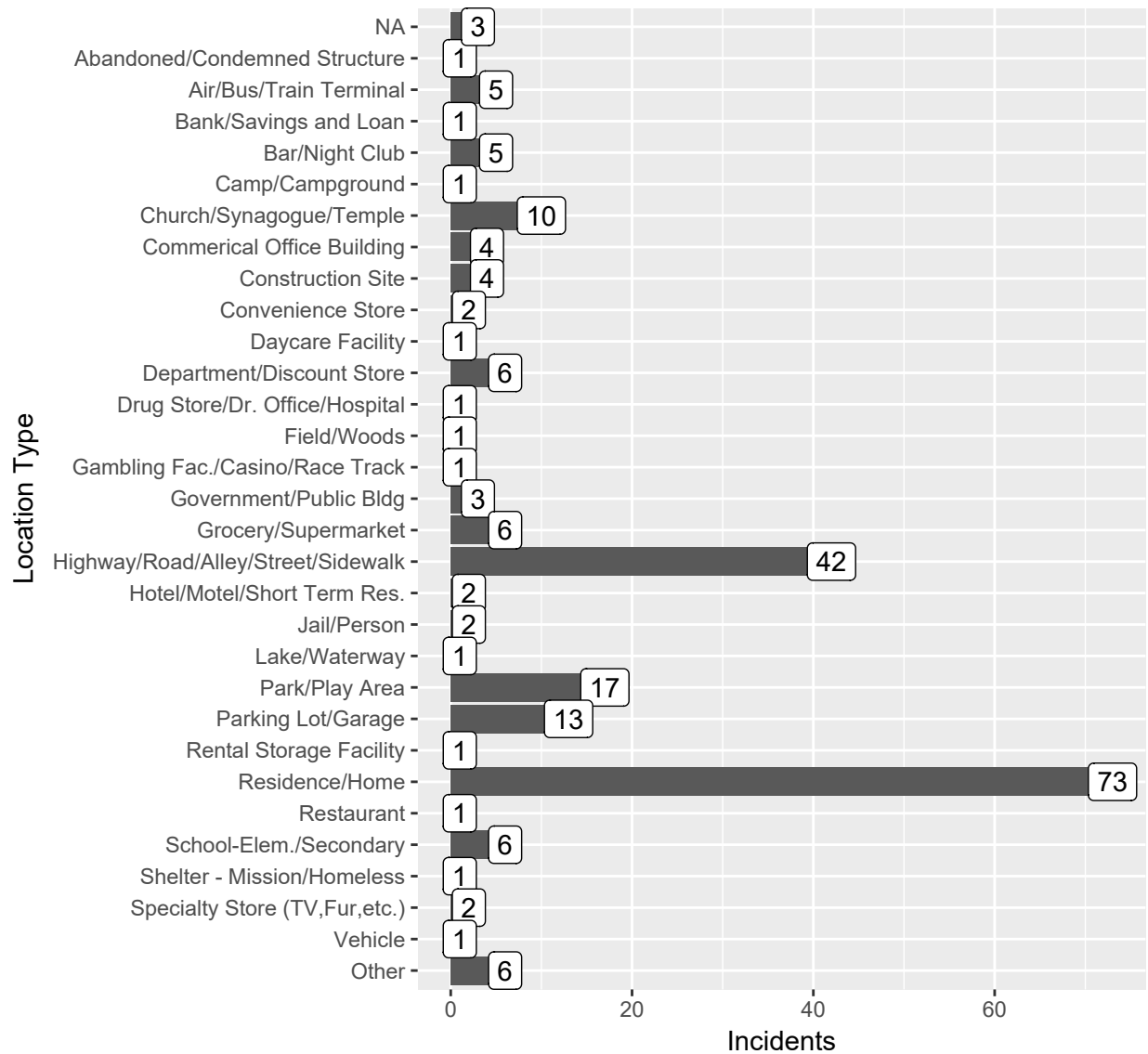


Figure 12.3: Bias Incidents by Bias Location Type

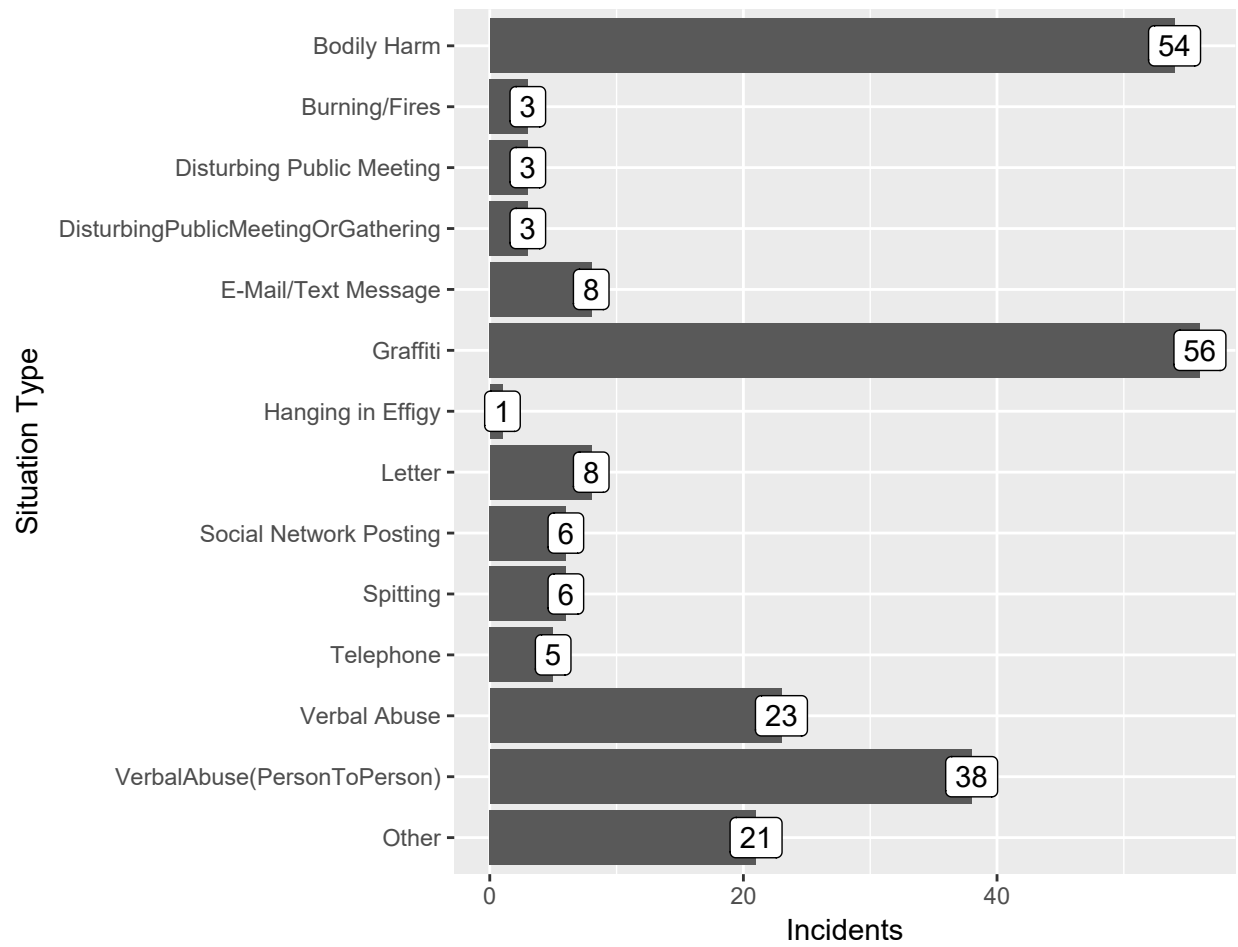


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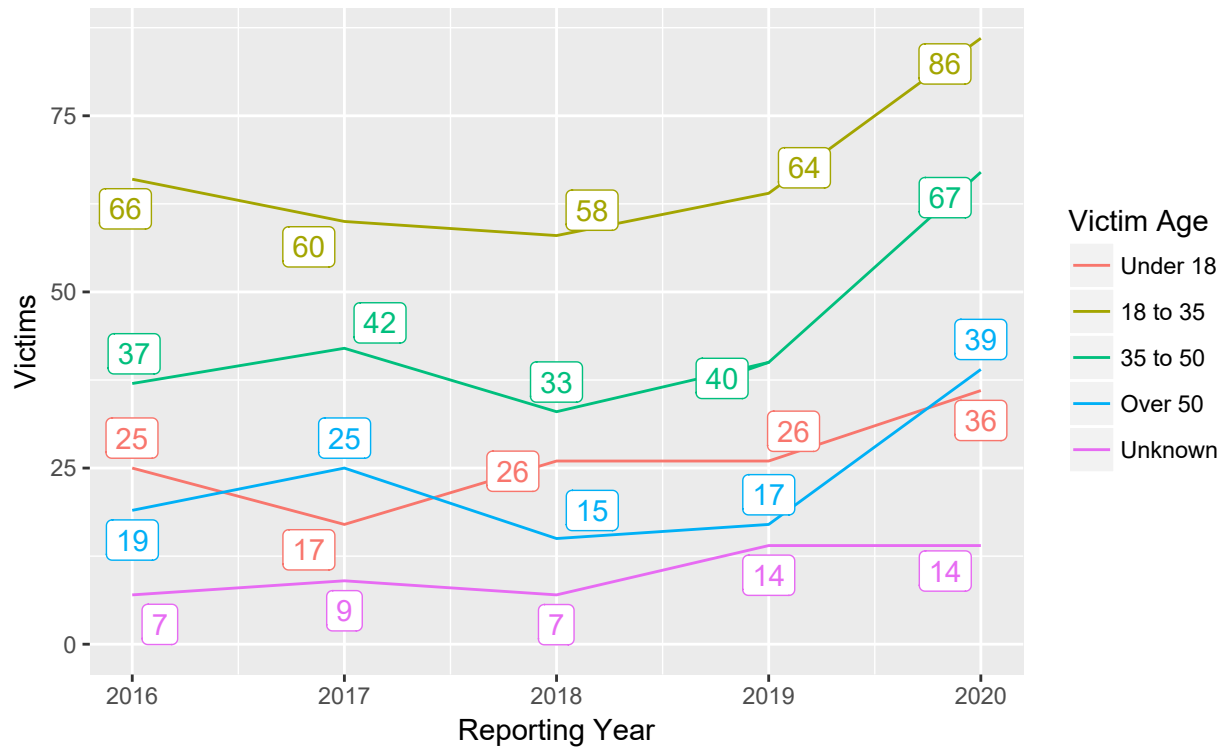


Figure 12.5: Bias Victims by Age

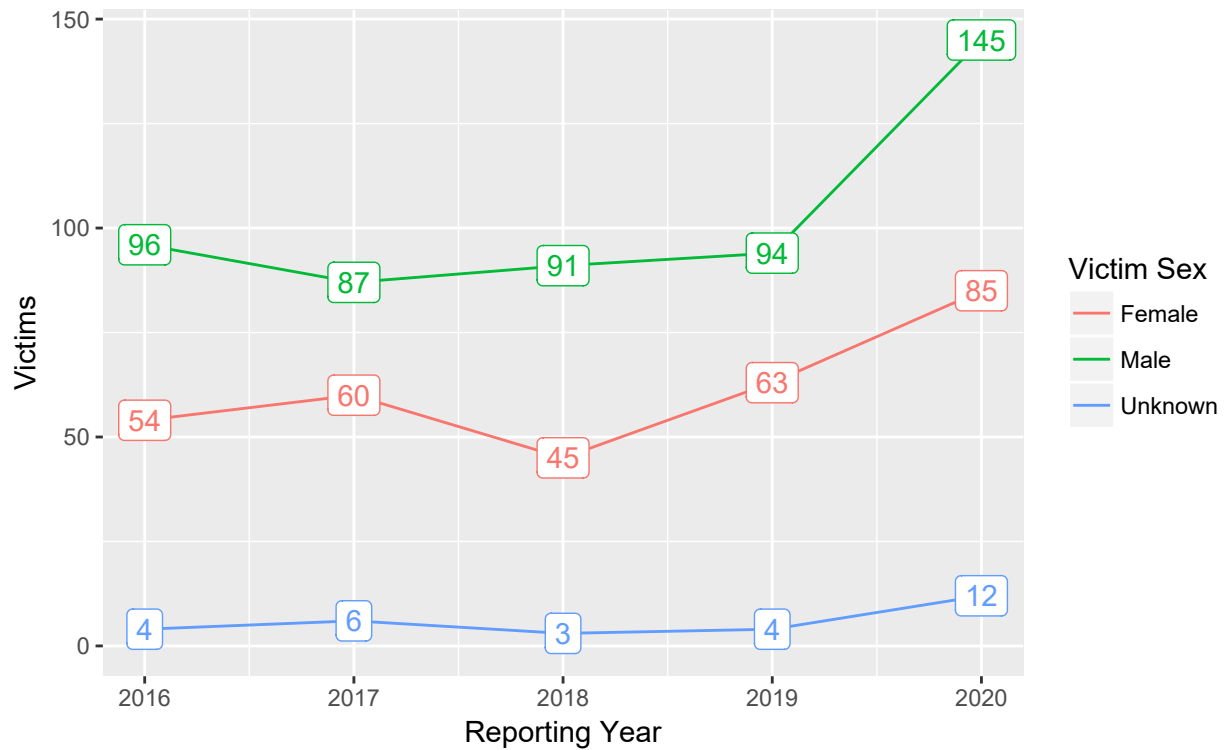


Figure 12.6: Bias Victims by Sex

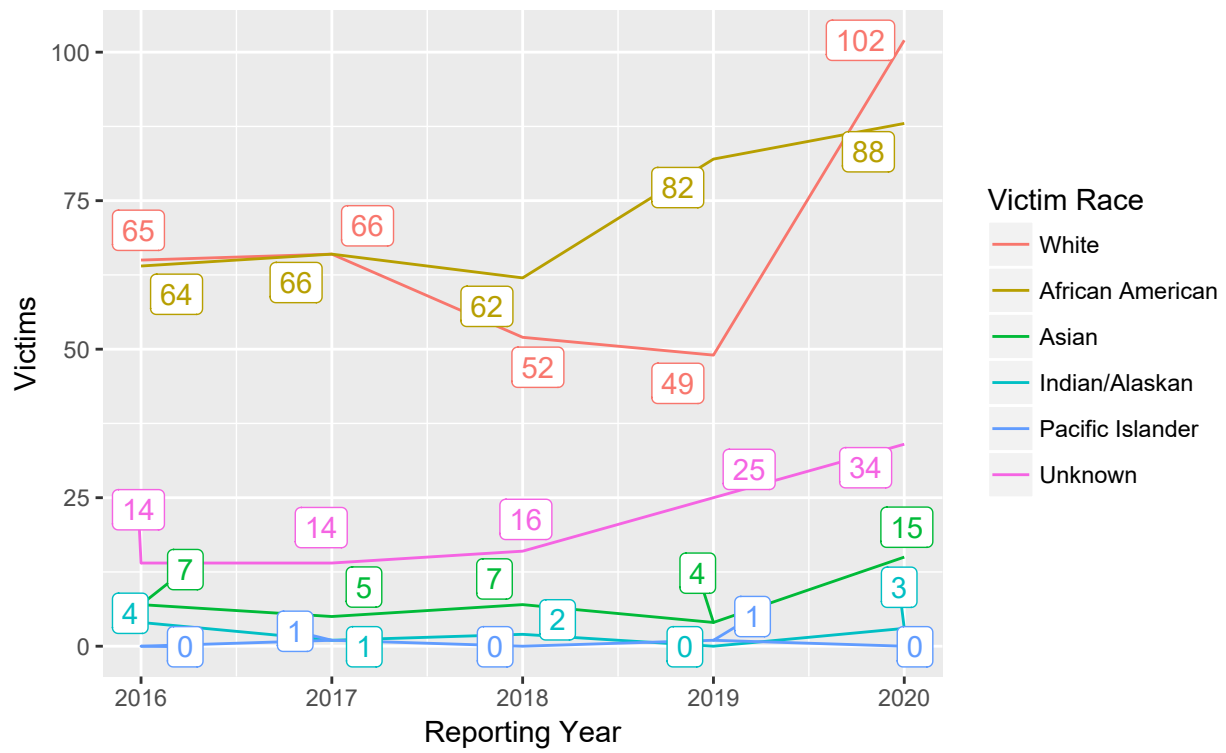


Figure 12.7: Bias Victims by Race

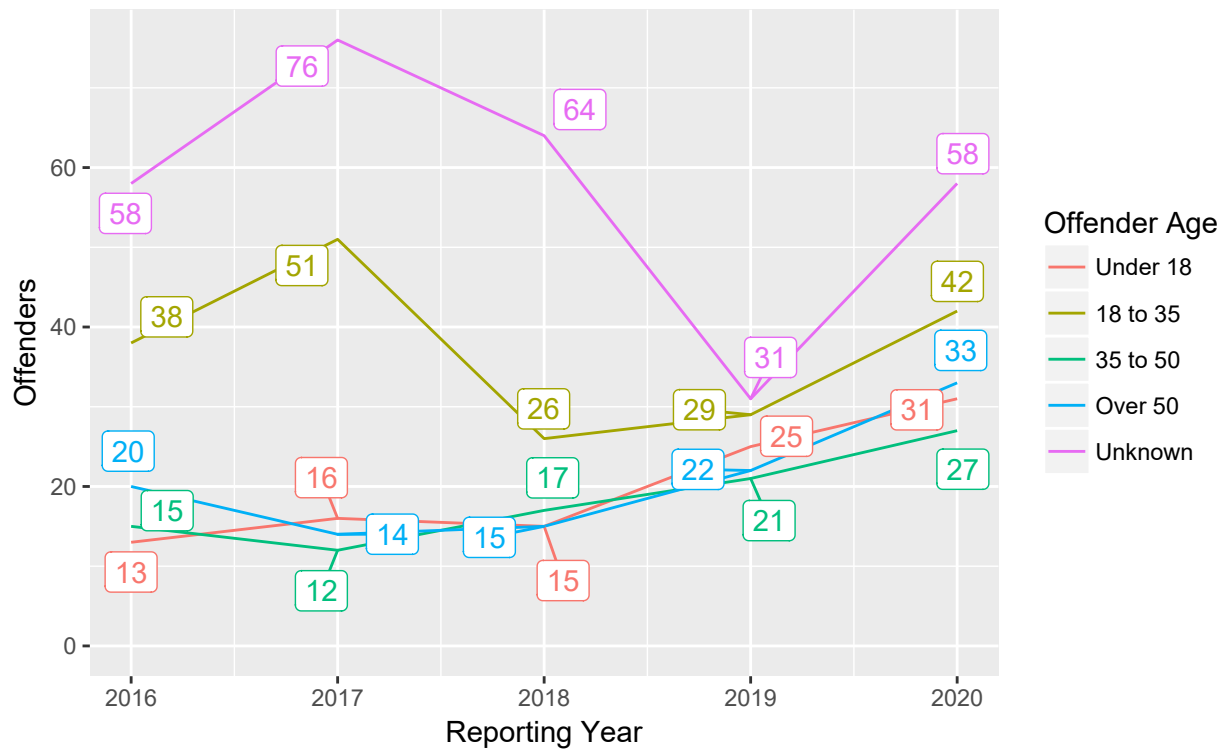


Figure 12.8: Bias Offenders by Age

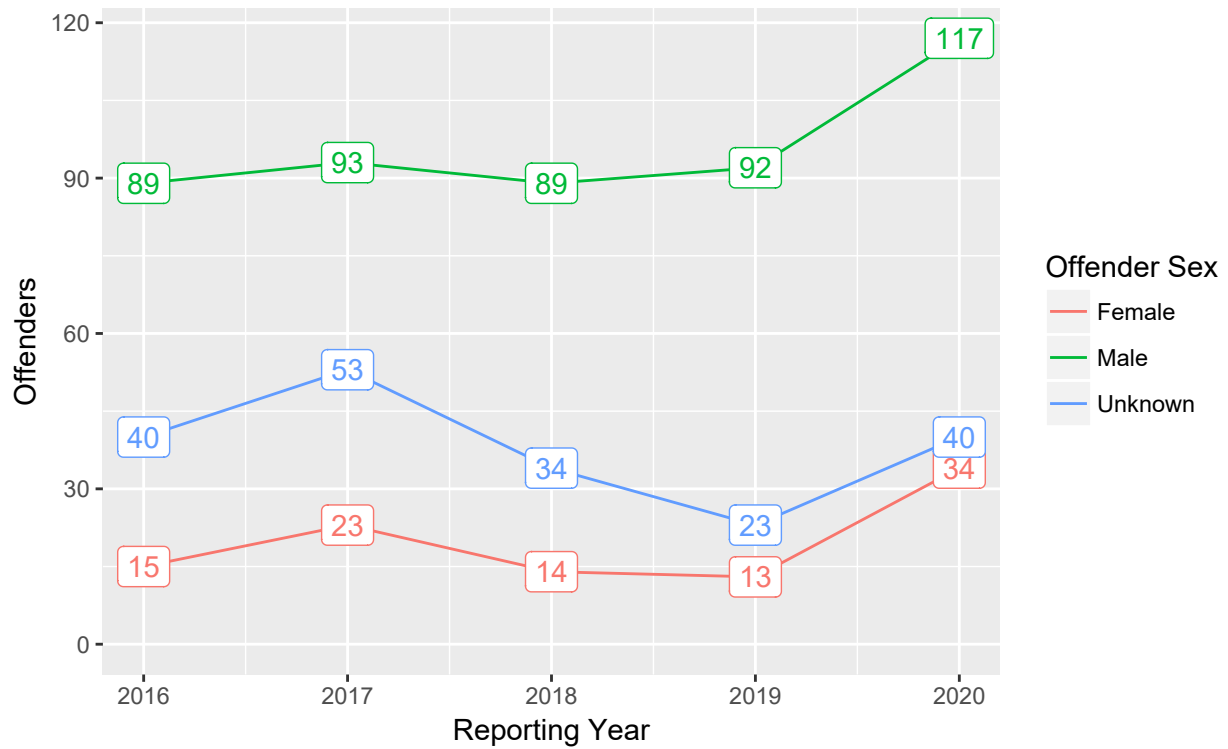


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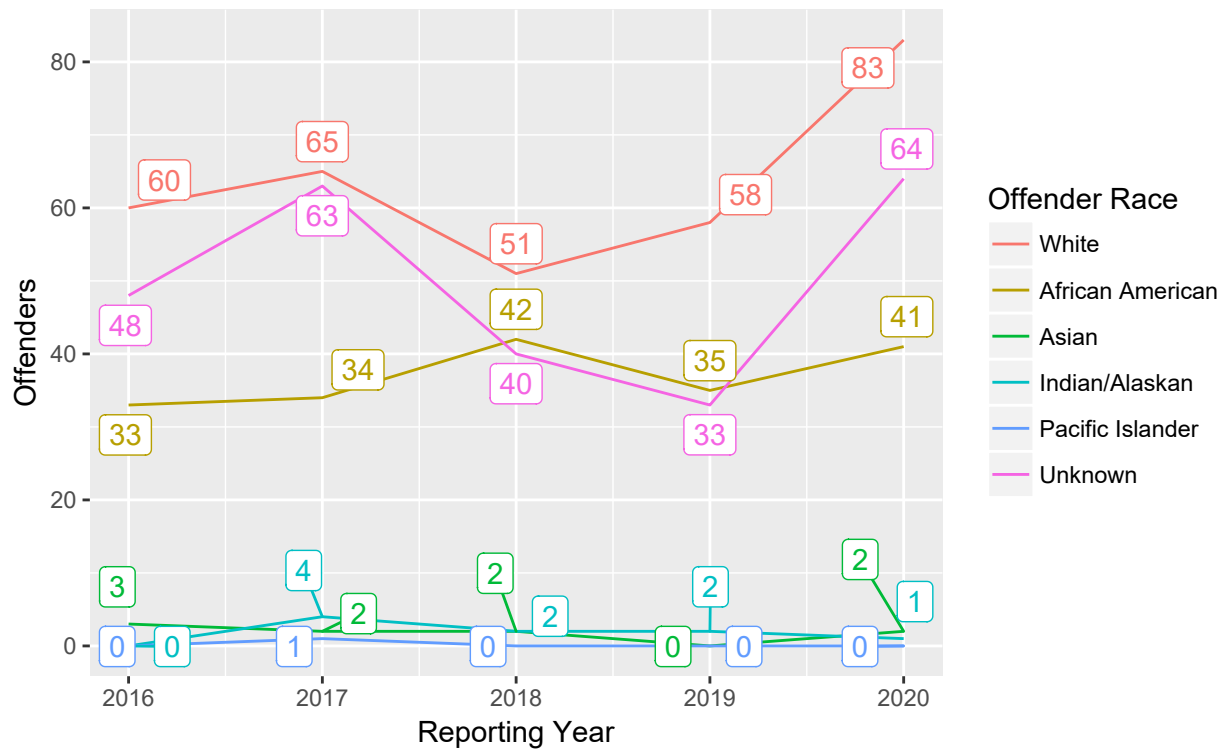


Figure 12.10: Bias Offenders by Race



## Chapter 13

# CARGO THEFT

*Information obtained from the FBI Summary Reporting Manual*

Due to the significant economic impact that cargo theft has on the United States economy and the potential for use by terrorist organizations, H.R. 3199, the “USA Patriot Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005,” was mandated by Congress on March 9, 2006. The Act requires the Attorney General to “take the steps necessary to ensure that reports of cargo theft collected by federal, state, and local officials are reflected as a separate category in the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting system.”

Cargo theft is the criminal taking of any cargo including, but not limited to, goods, chattels, money, or baggage that constitutes, in whole or in part, a commercial shipment of freight moving in commerce, from any pipeline system, railroad car, motor truck, or other vehicle, or from any tank or storage facility, station house, platform, or depot, or from any vessel or wharf, or from any aircraft, air terminal, airport, aircraft terminal or air navigation facility, or from any intermodal container, intermodal chassis, trailer, container freight station, warehouse, freight distribution facility, or freight consolidation facility. For purposes of this definition, cargo shall be deemed as moving in commerce at all points between the point of origin and the final destination, regardless of any temporary stop while awaiting transshipment or otherwise.

### 13.1 SUMMARY

Minnesota agencies reported 1 incident of Cargo Theft for 2020.

## Chapter 14

# MINNESOTA MISSING PERSONS REPORT

### 14.1 BACKGROUND

In 1984, the Minnesota Legislature enacted the “Minnesota Missing Persons’ Act”. This Act provides for the commissioner of Public Safety to maintain a missing children and endangered person program. This program requires the commissioner to: provide the necessary computer systems to allow for the maintaining of data on missing children and endangered persons in the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s National Crime Information Center; provide a system for broadcasting information on missing children and endangered persons regionally, statewide, multistate and nationwide; and to annually compile statistical information related to missing children and endangered persons.

### 14.2 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The primary goal of the “Minnesota Missing Children and Endangered Persons Program” is to assist in locating children and endangered persons reported missing in the shortest possible time thus ensuring their safe return by: requiring investigative action by law enforcement agencies; by requiring the entry of data on the missing child or endangered person; and by requiring an annual compilation of statistical information for evaluation of the missing children and endangered person problem in Minnesota.

The following table reflects the information directly from the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s, National Crime Information Center’s file for Minnesota.

As of December 31, 2020 there were 606 active missing person records in the FBI/NCIC system in Minnesota.

There were 9,265 missing person records entered and 9,286 cancelled in 2020, with an average of 621 records active.

Table 14.1: Missing Person Totals by Month

Month	Active	Entered	Cancelled
January	605	883	905
February	570	814	849
March	595	901	876
April	581	676	690
May	665	787	703
June	691	822	796
July	675	803	819
August	613	791	853
September	618	810	805
October	613	750	755
November	624	637	626
December	606	591	609
Total		10,521	10,445

Table 14.2: Totals for Juveniles and Adults by Record Type <sup>1</sup>

Record Type	17 and Under		18 and Over		Total	
	Entered	Cancelled	Entered	Cancelled	Entered	Cancelled
Juvenile	6099	6107	29	91	6128	6198
Endangered	124	109	274	264	398	373
Involuntary	9	10	25	22	34	32
Disability	8	8	530	529	538	537
Catastrophe	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	135	126	2032	2020	2167	2146
Total	6375	6360	2890	2926	9265	9286

Table 14.3: Missing Persons Entered by Sex and Race

Race	Female	Male	Total
Asian	189	156	345
African American	1,979	2,095	4,074
Indian/Alaskan	614	404	1,018
White	2,183	2,364	4,547
Unknown	265	272	537
Total	5,230	5,291	10,521

<sup>1</sup>Juvenile - Used to enter a person who is missing and un-emancipated as defined by the laws of his/her own state and does not meet any of the entry criteria in the other record types listed.

Endangered - Used to enter a person who is missing under circumstances indicating that his/her physical safety is in danger.

Involuntary - Used to enter a person who is missing under circumstances indicating that the disappearance was not voluntary.

Disability - Used to enter a person of proven physical or mental disability, thereby subjecting himself/herself or others to personal and immediate danger.

Catastrophe victim - Used to enter a person who is missing after a catastrophe or natural disaster, such as tornado or plane crash.

## Chapter 15

# COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL OFFENSE INFORMATION

County and municipal law enforcement offenses, clearances, percent cleared and crime rate for 2020 is available by county totals [xls](#), [pdf](#) and individual agencies [xls](#), [pdf](#). Data on offense trends is available by agency [xls](#). For statewide offenses, clearances, percent cleared and crime rate, see table [4.8](#).

# Appendix A

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**ADULT** - For Minnesota Uniform Crime Report purposes, a person 18 years of age or older.

**ARREST RATE** - The number of arrests reported for Part I and Part II offenses for each unit of population, generally per 100,000 persons. Arrest rates are computed in the same manner as crime rates.

**CLEARANCE RATE** - The clearances reported for the year divided by the offenses reported for the year. Clearances that an agency reports in the calendar year may pertain to offenses that occurred in previous years. Therefore an agency could have more clearances than offenses for the year.

**CLEARED BY ARREST** - An offense is cleared by arrest, or solved for crime reporting purposes, when at least one person is (1) arrested, or (2) charged with the commission of the offense, and (3) turned over to the court for prosecution (whether following arrest, court summons, or police notice). Although it makes no physical arrest, an agency can claim an offense is cleared by arrest when the offender is a person under 18 years of age and is cited to appear in juvenile court or before other juvenile authorities.

**COUNTY** - Subdivisions of state, each with its own government which includes a sheriff's department.

**CRIME FACTORS** - Conditions which affect the amount and type of crime that occurs in a geographical area.

**CRIME INDEX** - The total number of ten major offenses used to measure the extent, fluctuation and distribution of a crime in a given geographical area. Crime classifications used in the index are: Murder, Forcible Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Human Trafficking – Commercial Sex Acts, Human Trafficking – Involuntary Servitude, Burglary, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Arson. Each of these offenses is referred to as an “Index Offense”.

**CRIME RATE** - The number of index offenses reported for each unit of population, generally per 100,000 persons. Crime rates are computed for communities with varying populations by dividing the number of Index Crimes by the population and multiplying the answer by 100,000. (Example: 500 Index Offenses divided by 10,000 population times 100,000 = 5,000 Crime Rate).

**EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE** - In certain situations, law enforcement is not able to follow the three steps outlined under “Cleared by Arrest” to clear offenses known to them. Often they have exhausted all leads to clear a case. If agencies can answer all of the following questions in the affirmative, they can clear the offense exceptionally for the purpose of reporting to UCR.

1. Has the investigation definitely established the identity of the offender?
2. Is there enough information to support an arrest, charge, and turning over to the court for prosecution?
3. Is the exact location of the offender known so that the subject could be taken into custody now?
4. Is there some reason outside law enforcement control that precludes arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender?

**JUVENILE** - For Minnesota Uniform Crime Report purposes, a person under the age of 18.

**PART I OFFENSES** - One of two main categories of crime used for crime reporting purposes. Part I offenses are by their nature more serious and/or occur frequently. The monthly tabulation of Part I offenses provides a count of “offenses known”.

**PART II OFFENSES** – One of two main categories of crime classes used for crime reporting purposes. Part II offenses are generally less serious in nature. Monthly tabulations of Part II offenses are included in Minnesota’s crime book.

**POPULATION FIGURES** - To compile the population estimates, the FBI UCR Program obtained city/town and county decennial population counts for the past five years population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. The UCR staff computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county. Each agency’s rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to last year’s census population figure to derive the current population estimates.

**PROPERTY CRIME** - Consists of Burglary, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Arson.

**VIOLENT CRIME** - Consists of Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Human Trafficking – Commercial Sex Acts and Human Trafficking – Involuntary Servitude.