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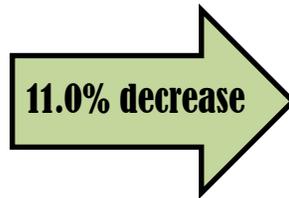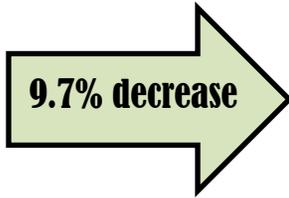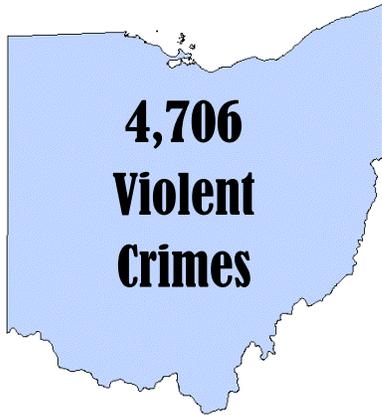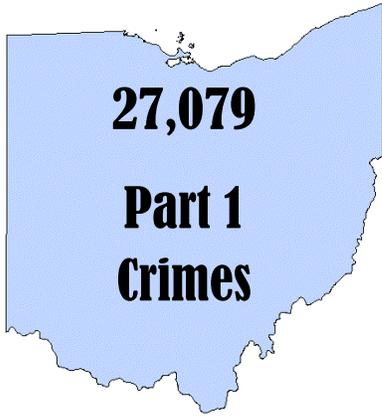
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Overview

❖ This report provides information about crimes occurring in major Ohio cities during the first quarter (January 1st – March 31st) of 2018. The cities included in this report are Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Toledo.

❖ Data for this report are taken from the Ohio Incident-Based Reporting System (OIBRS). OIBRS is a voluntary crime reporting program that allows Ohio law enforcement agencies to electronically submit crime statistics to state and federal government agencies.

❖ The data included in this report consist of the seven most severe categories of offenses collected by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. These offenses are known as Part 1 crimes, and are divided in to two categories: violent crimes (murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crimes (burglary, larceny/theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson[1]).

❖ Data from the first quarter of 2018 are compared to the first quarter of 2017 to provide context.

Disclaimer: Data included in this report are preliminary, and only as accurate as the data provided by local law enforcement agencies.

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[1] Arson data are omitted from this report due to limited reporting of offenses.

2017

2018

27,079

Part 1
Crimes

10.8% decrease

24,159
Part 1
Crimes

4,706
Violent
Crimes

9.7% decrease

4,251
Violent
Crimes

22,373
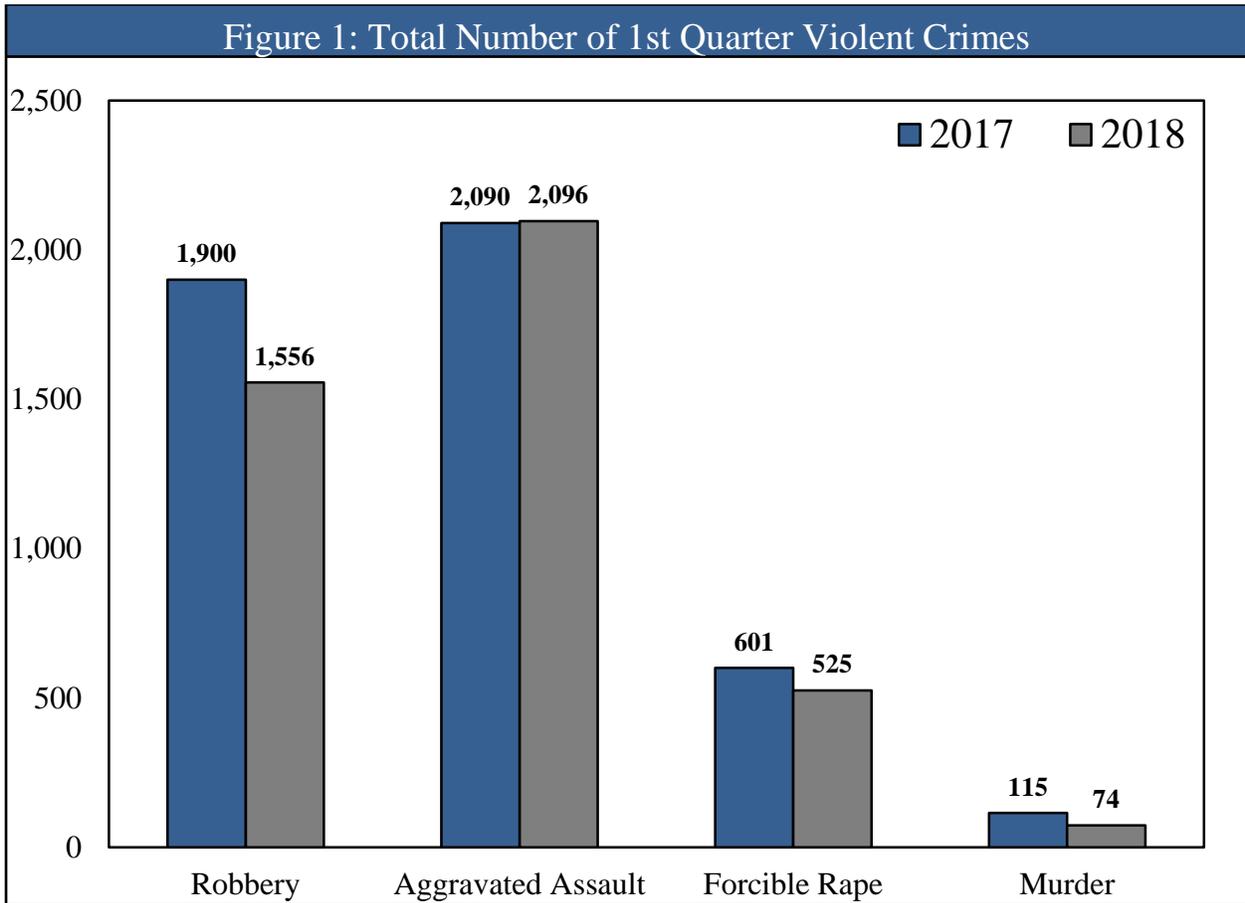Property
Crimes

11.0% decrease

19,908
Property
Crimes

Summary

❖ A total of 24,159 Part 1 crimes were reported in major Ohio cities during the first quarter of 2018. This represents a 10.8% decrease from the 27,079 Part 1 crimes reported during the first quarter of 2017.

❖ The 4,251 violent crimes reported in the first quarter of 2018 represent a 9.7% decrease from the 4,706 violent crimes reported in the first quarter of 2017.

❖ The 19,908 property crimes reported in the first quarter of 2018 represent an 11.0% decrease from the 22,373 property crimes reported in the first quarter of 2017.

❖ Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo reported a decrease in violent crime from the first quarter of 2017 to the first quarter of 2018.

❖ Akron, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Toledo reported a decrease in property crime from the first quarter of 2017 to the first quarter of 2018.

Violent Crime

❖ According to the UCR Program, violent crimes are offenses that involve force or the threat of force. Four different offenses are categorized as violent crimes: murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

❖ Robberies, forcible rapes, and murders decreased from the first quarter of 2017 to the first quarter of 2018, while aggravated assaults increased.

Figure 1: Total Number of 1st Quarter Violent Crimes

	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Forcible Rape	Murder
2017	1,900	2,090	601	115
2018	1,556	2,096	525	74

Table 1: Robbery, Q1, 2017 & 2018					
City	**2017 Total**	**2017 Rate**	**2018 Total**	**2018 Rate**	**% Change**
Akron	86	43.47	84	42.45	2.3% decrease
Canton	36	49.79	49	67.78	36.1% increase
Cincinnati	271	90.89	203	68.08	25.1% decrease
Cleveland	753	193.31	568	145.82	24.6% decrease
Columbus	449	53.71	415	49.64	7.6% decrease
Dayton	104	73.76	102	72.34	1.9% decrease
Toledo	201	71.52	135	48.04	32.8% decrease
Total	**1,900**	**85.75**	**1,556**	**70.22**	**18.1% decrease**

- ❖ Robberies decreased by 18.1% during the first quarter of 2018[2].
- ❖ Akron, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Toledo reported a decrease in robberies.

Table 2: Aggravated Assault, Q1, 2017 & 2018					
City	**2017 Total**	**2017 Rate**	**2018 Total**	**2018 Rate**	**% Change**
Akron	196	99.06	185	93.50	5.6% decrease
Canton	151	208.86	141	195.03	6.6% decrease
Cincinnati	316	105.98	227	76.13	28.2% decrease
Cleveland	579	148.64	713	183.05	23.1% increase
Columbus	342	40.91	378	45.22	10.5% increase
Dayton	165	117.02	173	122.69	4.8% increase
Toledo	341	121.34	279	99.28	18.2% decrease
Total	**2,090**	**94.32**	**2,096**	**94.59**	**0.3% increase**

- ❖ Aggravated assaults increased by 0.3% during the first quarter of 2018.
- ❖ Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, and Toledo reported a decrease in aggravated assaults.

[2] % change is calculated based on rate. Rate describes the total number of offenses per 100,000 people and is rounded to the nearest hundredth. Rounding may lead to discrepancies for column and row totals.

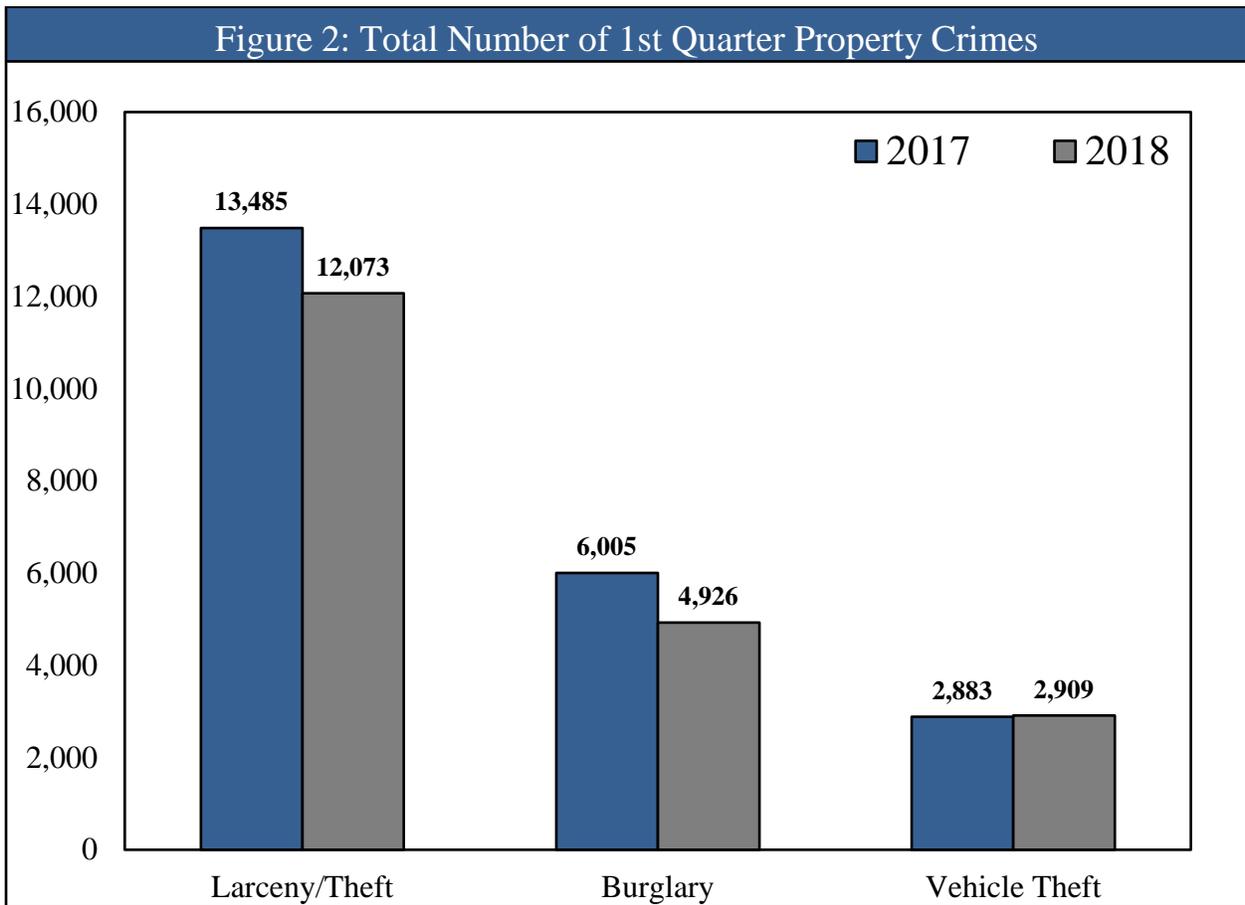| Table 3: Forcible Rape, Q1, 2017 & 2018					
City	2017 Total	2017 Rate	2018 Total	2018 Rate	% Change
Akron	59	29.82	49	24.77	16.9% decrease
Canton	26	35.96	21	29.05	19.2% decrease
Cincinnati	69	23.14	74	24.82	7.2% increase
Cleveland	126	32.35	107	27.47	15.1% decrease
Columbus	240	28.71	192	22.97	20.0% decrease
Dayton	32	22.69	35	24.82	9.4% increase
Toledo	49	17.44	47	16.72	4.1% decrease
Total	**601**	**27.12**	**525**	**23.69**	**12.6% decrease**

- ❖ Forcible rapes decreased by 12.6% during the first quarter of 2018.
- ❖ Akron, Canton, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo reported a decrease in forcible rape offenses.

Table 4: Murder, Q1, 2017 & 2018					
City	2017 Total	2017 Rate	2018 Total	2018 Rate	% Change
Akron	11	5.56	5	2.53	54.5% decrease
Canton	4	5.53	3	4.15	25.0% decrease
Cincinnati	17	5.70	13	4.36	23.5% decrease
Cleveland	31	7.96	17	4.36	45.2% decrease
Columbus	32	3.83	22	2.63	31.3% decrease
Dayton	8	5.67	3	2.13	62.5% decrease
Toledo	12	4.27	11	3.91	8.3% decrease
Total	**115**	**5.19**	**74**	**3.34**	**35.7% decrease**

- ❖ Murders decreased by 35.7% during the first quarter of 2018.
- ❖ Every city reported a decrease in murders.

Property Crimes

❖ According to the UCR Program, property crimes are offenses involving the taking of money or property without force or the threat of force against a victim. Three different offenses are categorized as property crime: burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft.

❖ Larcenies/thefts and burglaries decreased between the first quarter of 2017 and the first quarter of 2018, while motor vehicle thefts increased.

Figure 2: Total Number of 1st Quarter Property Crimes

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Larceny/Theft: 2017 = 13,485; 2018 = 12,073
Burglary: 2017 = 6,005; 2018 = 4,926
Vehicle Theft: 2017 = 2,883; 2018 = 2,909

Table 5: Larceny/Theft, Q1, 2017 & 2018				
City	**2017 Total**	**2017 Rate**	**2018 Total**	**2018 Rate**	**% Change**
Akron	1,193	602.95	1,220	616.60	2.3% increase
Canton	561	775.97	575	795.33	2.5% increase
Cincinnati	2,286	766.69	2,275	763.00	0.5% decrease
Cleveland	3,337	856.69	2,593	665.69	22.3% decrease
Columbus	5,257	628.86	4,568	546.44	13.1% decrease
Dayton	851	603.53	842	597.15	1.1% decrease
Total	**13,485**	**696.97**	**12,073**	**623.99**	**10.5% decrease**

❖ Larceny/theft offenses increased by 10.5% during the first quarter of 2018[3].

❖ Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Dayton reported a decrease in the total number of larceny/theft offenses.

Table 6: Burglary, Q1, 2017 & 2018				
City	**2017 Total**	**2017 Rate**	**2018 Total**	**2018 Rate**	**% Change**
Akron	528	266.86	463	234.01	12.3% decrease
Canton	228	315.37	227	313.98	0.4% decrease
Cincinnati	893	299.50	625	209.62	30.0% decrease
Cleveland	1,548	397.41	1,146	294.21	26.0% decrease
Columbus	1,596	190.92	1,472	176.09	7.8% decrease
Dayton	443	314.18	386	273.75	12.9% decrease
Toledo	769	273.64	607	215.99	21.1% decrease
Total	**6,005**	**271.00**	**4,926**	**222.31**	**18.0% decrease**

❖ Burglaries decreased by 18.0% during the first quarter of 2018.
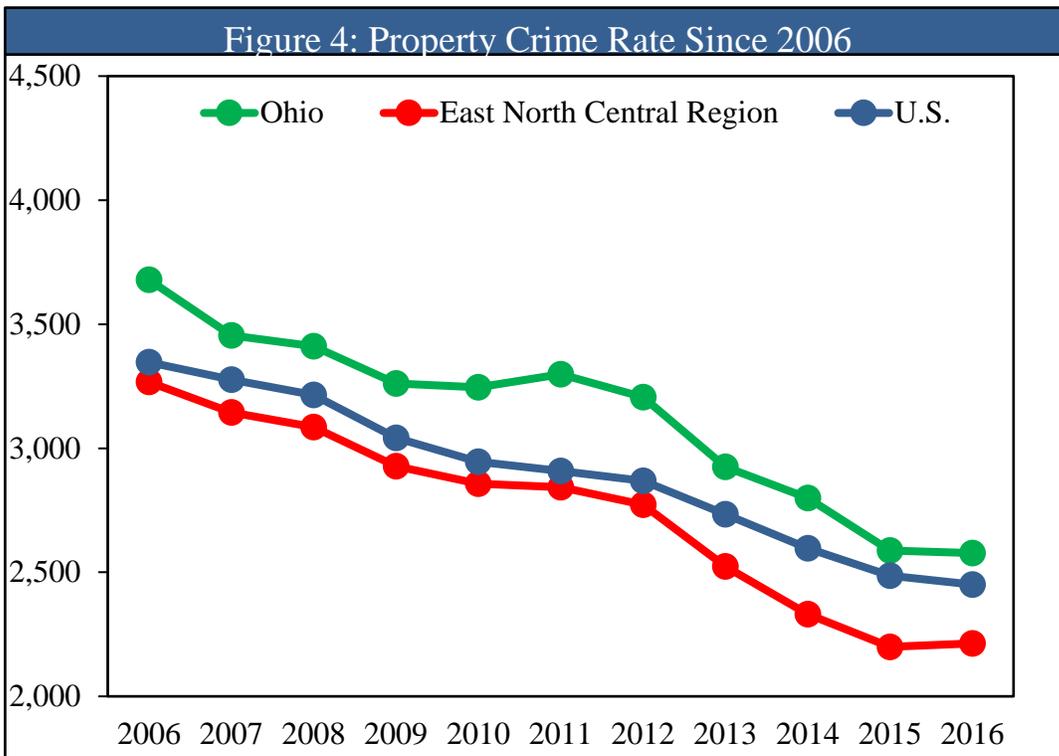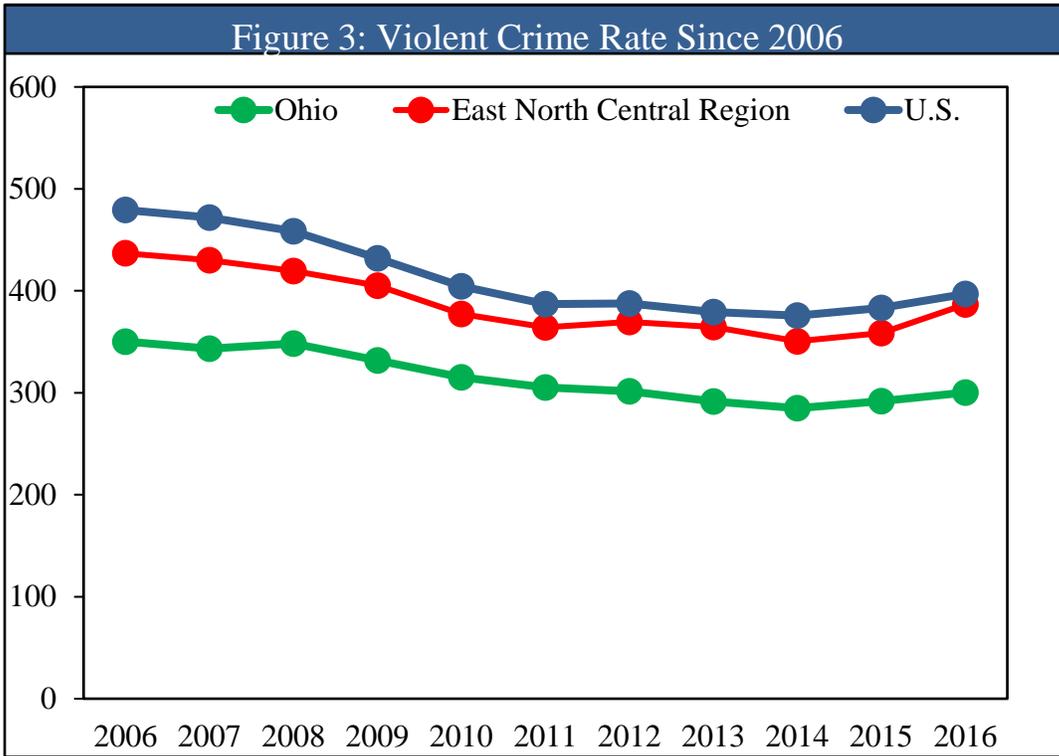
❖ Every city reported a decrease in burglaries.

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[3] Data for Toledo larceny/theft offenses are not available.

Table 7: Motor Vehicle Theft, Q1, 2017 & 2018					
City	2017 Total	2017 Rate	2018 Total	2018 Rate	% Change
Akron	186	94.01	195	98.56	4.8% increase
Canton	69	95.44	64	88.52	7.2% decrease
Cincinnati	369	123.76	378	126.78	2.4% increase
Cleveland	986	253.13	814	208.97	17.4% decrease
Columbus	973	116.39	1,110	132.78	14.1% increase
Dayton	137	97.16	183	129.78	33.6% increase
Toledo	163	58.00	165	58.71	1.2% increase
Total	**2,883**	**130.11**	**2,909**	**131.28**	**0.9% increase**

- ❖ Motor vehicle thefts increased by 0.9% during the first quarter of 2018.
- ❖ Akron, Cincinnati, Columbus, Dayton, and Toledo reported an increase in motor vehicle thefts.

Figure 3: Violent Crime Rate Since 2006

Figure 4: Property Crime Rate Since 2006

The "East North Central Region" includes Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin.