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#### **INTRODUCTION**

South Carolina Criminal and Juvenile Justice Trends 2004 is designed to provide basic information about criminal and juvenile justice in South Carolina. This publication also provides simple statistical information about crime rates, arrests, conviction rates, inmates, probationers and parolees. It addresses issues frequently raised about crime and seeks to clarify misconceptions about the state's criminal justice system.

Most trend information in this booklet is based on data for calendar years 1975 - 2003 or the fiscal years ending in 1975 - 2003. Fiscal years are referred to by the abbreviation FY followed by the last two digits of the year in which the fiscal year ended. Other time frames are specifically noted. The sum of total percent columns may not always equal 100 due to rounding. Copies of this report or information regarding this publication can be obtained by writing, calling or sending electronic mail requests to the following:

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### OFFENSES

**CRIME INDEX:** The crime index is a basic measure of crime. The offenses defined as index crimes were chosen because of their serious nature, the frequency of their occurrence, and the level of public interest. The offenses of murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault are defined as violent crimes. Breaking or entering, larceny, and motor vehicle theft are defined as property crimes. The crime index is the total of these offenses reported by law enforcement agencies to the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED).

**CRIME RATE:** The crime rate shows the number of index crimes per 10,000 units of population. The crime rate is a measure of criminal activity that allows valid comparisons over time and among areas of differing population sizes.

The formula for calculating crime rates follows below:

Crime Rate =  $\frac{\text{Number of Crimes x 10,000}}{\text{Total Population}}$ 

Formula for calculating percent change:

Percent change over previous year =  $\frac{X2-X1}{X1}$ 

Where: X1= Number, rate of crimes, arrests in previous year.

Where: X2= Number, rate of crimes, arrests in present year.

#### South Carolina's crime index rate decreased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. From 1975 to 2003, the crime index rate increased 20.8%.

**CRIME INDEX:** The crime index consists of murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, breaking or entering, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

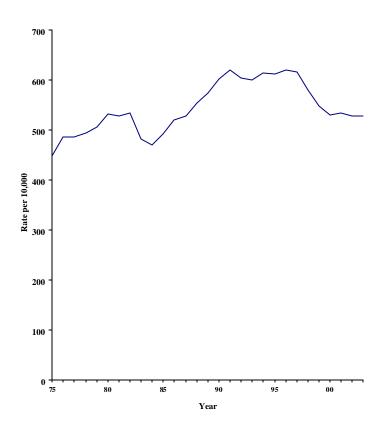
## ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	216,511	527.18
2003	217,744	526.46
% Change	+0.6%	-0.1%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	126,335	435.64
2003	217,744	526.46
% Change	+72.4%	+20.8%





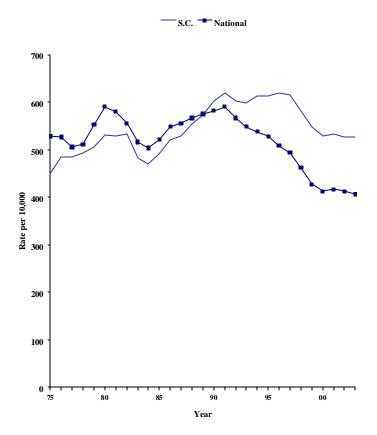
# South Carolina's crime index rate has exceeded the national crime index rate since 1990.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL CRIME INDEX RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	435.6	528.2
1976	464.1	526.6
1977	460.4	505.5
1978	465.8	510.9
1979	478.2	552.1
1980	531.6	590.0
1981	527.8	580.0
1982	533.2	555.3
1983	481.6	515.9
1984	470.2	503.1
1985	491.3	520.6
1986	520.2	548.0
1987	528.2	555.0
1988	553.8	566.4
1989	573.5	574.4
1990	604.3	582.0
1991	620.0	589.8
1992	602.4	566.0
1993	598.9	548.3
1994	616.8	537.4
1995	612.1	527.6
1996	620.1	507.9
1997	615.4	492.3
1998	580.2	461.6
1999	547.4	426.7
2000	529.0	412.4
2001	532.5	416.1
2002	527.2	411.9
2003	526.5	406.3

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

**State and National Crime Index Rate** 

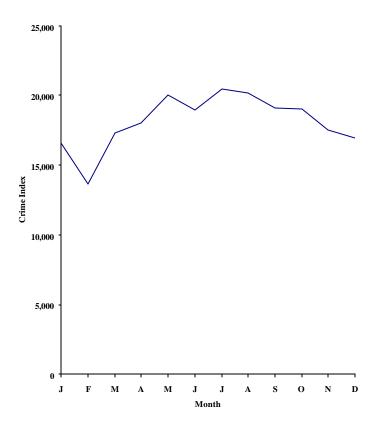


#### July had the highest reported crime index in South Carolina during 2003, while February had the lowest.

#### **CRIME INDEX BY MONTH**

Month	Number	Percentage
January	16,570	7.6%
February	13,635	6.3%
March	17,302	7.9%
April	18,035	8.3%
May	20,024	9.2%
June	18,975	8.7%
July	20,426	9.4%
August	20,203	9.3%
September	19,097	8.8%
October	19,008	8.7%
November	17,500	8.0%
December	16,969	7.8%
Total	217,744	100.0%





# South Carolina's violent crime rate decreased 4.3% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1975 the violent crime rate has increased 60.9%.

**VIOLENT CRIME:** Violent crime consists of murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault, and involves the element of personal confrontation between the victim and offender.

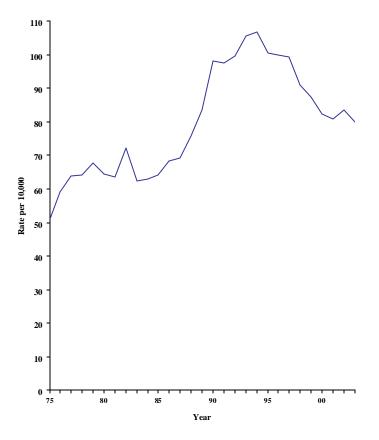
#### VIOLENT CRIME

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	34,269	83.44
2003	33,037	79.88
% Change	-3.6%	-4.3%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975 2003	14,372 33,037	49.64 79.88
% Change	+129.9%	+60.9%



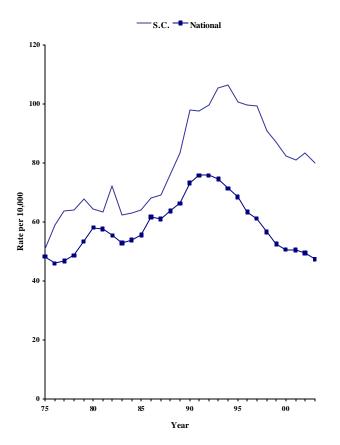
South Carolina Violent Crime Rate

# South Carolina's violent crime rate has exceeded the national violent crime rate every year since 1975.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL VIOLENT CRIME RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	49.6	48.2
1976	56.5	46.0
1977	60.6	46.7
1978	60.8	48.7
1979	64.1	53.5
1980	64.5	58.1
1981	63.6	57.7
1982	72.1	55.5
1983	62.3	52.9
1984	63.1	53.9
1985	64.1	55.6
1986	68.4	61.7
1987	69.3	61.0
1988	75.8	63.7
1989	83.5	66.3
1990	98.4	73.2
1991	97.7	75.8
1992	99.8	75.8
1993	105.6	74.6
1994	107.2	71.4
1995	100.7	68.5
1996	99.8	63.4
1997	99.4	61.1
1998	91.1	56.6
1999	87.3	52.3
2000	82.3	50.6
2001	81.0	50.4
2002	83.4	49.5
2003	79.9	47.5

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.



**State and National Violent Crime Rates** 

# South Carolina's murder rate decreased 2.7% from 2002 to 2003. The murder rate decreased 49.7% from 1975 through 2003.

**MURDER:** Murder is the willful killing of one person by another. The classification of this offense is based on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, coroner, jury or other judicial body. Deaths caused by negligence, suicide, accident or justifiable homicides are not included.

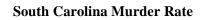
#### MURDER

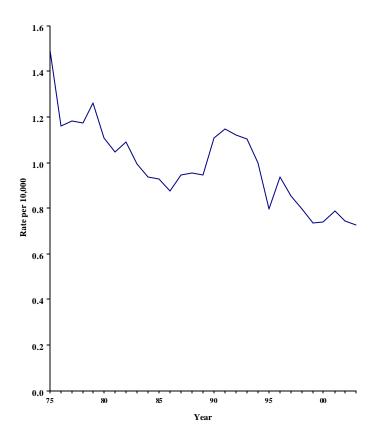
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	306	0.75
2003	300	0.73
% Change	-2.0%	-2.7%

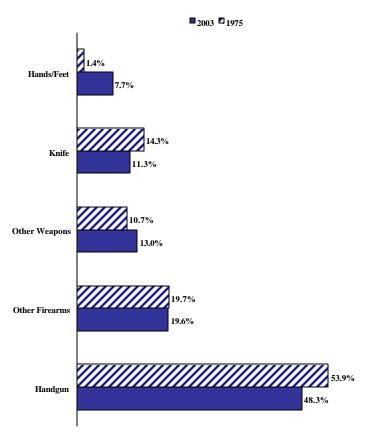
## MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	421	1.45
2003	300	0.73
% Change	-28.7%	-49.7%

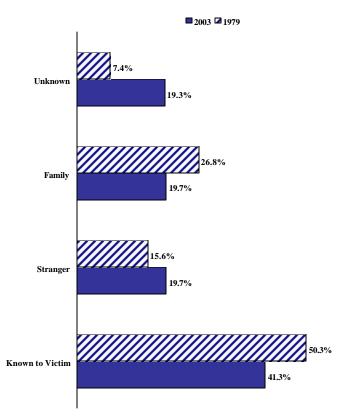




#### South Carolina Murder Weapons



#### Relationship of Murder Victims to Offenders in South Carolina



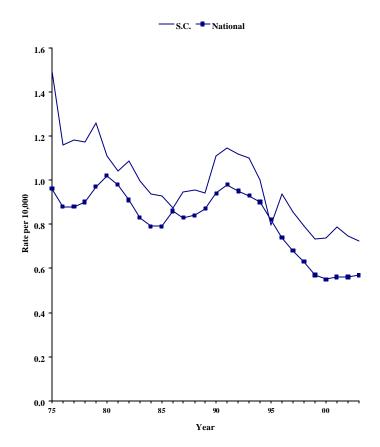
## South Carolina's murder rate has exceeded the national murder rate every year since 1996.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL MURDER RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	1.45	.96
1976	1.11	.88
1977	1.12	.88
1978	1.11	.90
1979	1.19	.97
1980	1.11	1.02
1981	1.04	.98
1982	1.09	.91
1983	1.00	.83
1984	.94	.79
1985	.93	.79
1986	.87	.86
1987	.95	.83
1988	.96	.84
1989	.94	.87
1990	1.11	.94
1991	1.15	.98
1992	1.12	.95
1993	1.10	.93
1994	1.00	.90
1995	.79	.82
1996	.94	.74
1997	.85	.68
1998	.79	.63
1999	.73	.57
2000	.74	.55
2001	.79	.56
2002	.75	.56
2003	.73	.57

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

**State and National Murder Rates** 



# South Carolina's rape rate decreased 8.1% from 2002 to 2003. From 1975 to 2003, the rape rate increased 73.8%.

**RAPE:** Forcible rape is the carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and against their will. Assaults or attempts to commit rape by force or threat of force are also included; however statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are excluded.

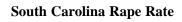
#### RAPE

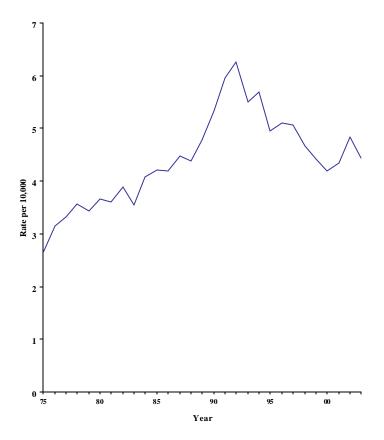
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	1,986	4.84
2003	1,839	4.45
% Change	-7.4%	-8.1%

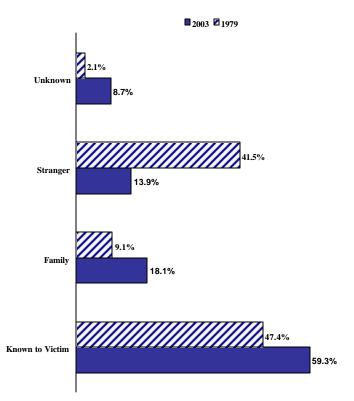
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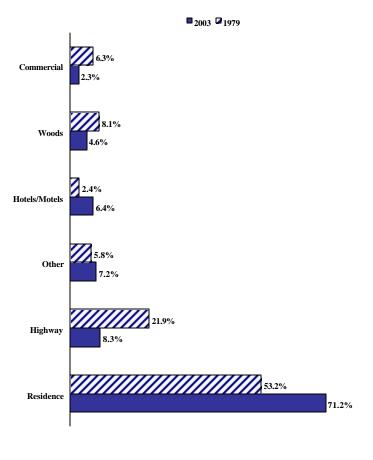
Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	741	2.56
2003	1,839	4.45
% Change	+148.2%	+73.8%





## Relationship of Rape Victims to Offenders in South Carolina





#### South Carolina Rape Victims by Location

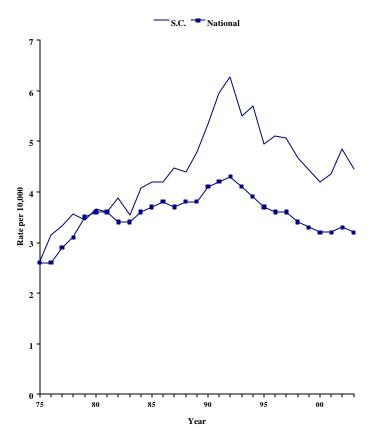
## South Carolina's rape rate has exceeded the national rape rate since 1982.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL RAPE RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	2.6	2.6
1976	3.0	2.6
1977	3.2	2.9
1978	3.4	3.1
1979	3.3	3.5
1980	3.7	3.6
1981	3.6	3.6
1982	3.9	3.4
1983	3.5	3.4
1984	4.1	3.6
1985	4.2	3.7
1986	4.2	3.8
1987	4.5	3.7
1988	4.4	3.8
1989	4.8	3.8
1990	5.4	4.1
1991	6.0	4.2
1992	6.3	4.3
1993	5.5	4.1
1994	5.7	3.9
1995	5.0	3.7
1996	5.1	3.6
1997	5.1	3.6
1998	4.7	3.4
1999	4.4	3.3
2000	4.2	3.2
2001	4.3	3.2
2002	4.8	3.3
2003	4.5	3.2

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

State and National Rape Rates



# South Carolina's robbery rate decreased 3.4% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1975 the robbery rate has increased 30.4%.

**ROBBERY:** Robbery is the taking or attempted taking of anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or the threat of force, by violence, or by putting the victim in fear.

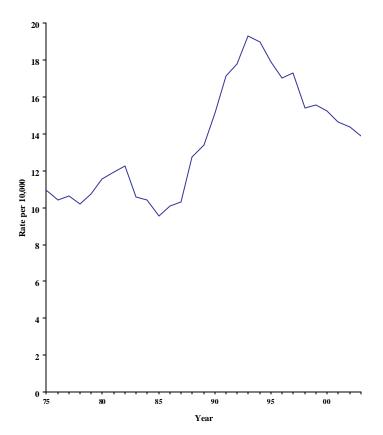
#### ROBBERY

## ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	5,898	14.36
2003	5,738	13.87
% Change	-2.7%	-3.4%

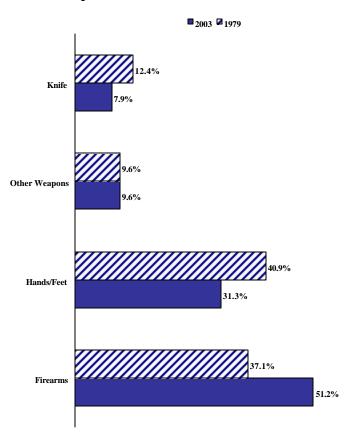
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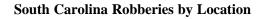
Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	3,087	10.64
2003	5,738	13.87
% Change	+85.9%	+30.4%

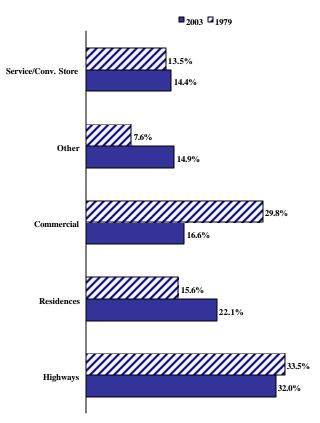


#### South Carolina Robbery Rate

#### Weapon Use in South Carolina Robberies





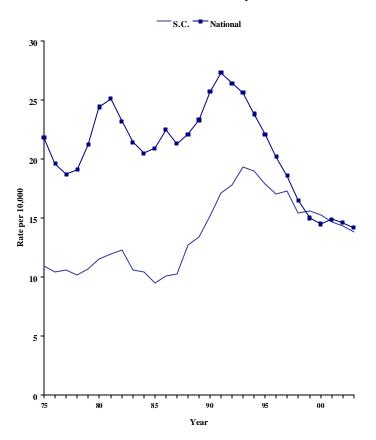


#### The national robbery rate has exceeded South Carolina's robbery rate each of the past three years.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL ROBBERY RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	10.6	21.8
1976	10.0	19.6
1977	10.1	18.7
1978	9.7	19.1
1979	10.2	21.2
1980	11.6	24.4
1981	12.0	25.1
1982	12.3	23.2
1983	10.6	21.4
1984	10.4	20.5
1985	9.5	20.9
1986	10.1	22.5
1987	10.3	21.3
1988	12.7	22.1
1989	13.4	23.3
1990	15.2	25.7
1991	17.1	27.3
1992	17.8	26.4
1993	19.3	25.6
1994	19.1	23.8
1995	17.9	22.1
1996	17.0	20.2
1997	17.2	18.6
1998	15.4	16.5
1999	15.6	15.0
2000	15.3	14.5
2001	14.7	14.9
2002	14.4	14.6
2003	13.9	14.2

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.



#### State and National Robbery Rates

South Carolina's aggravated assault rate decreased 4.2% from 2002 to 2003. The aggravated assault rate has increased 74.2% from 1975 to 2003.

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT:** Aggravated assault is an unlawful attack for the purpose of inflicting serious bodily injury. This assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Attempted aggravated assaults are also included.

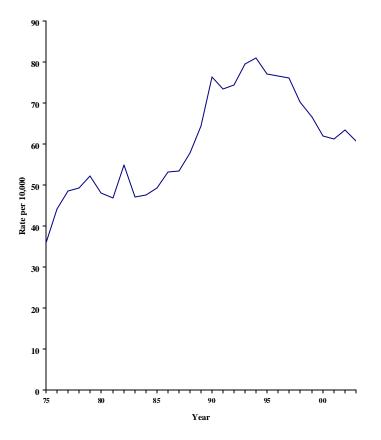
#### AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

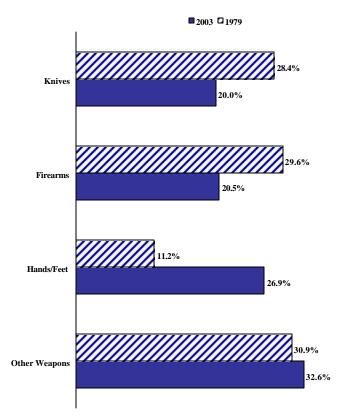
Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	26,079	63.50
2003	25,160	60.83
% Change	-3.5%	-4.2%

#### MULTI-YEAR TREND

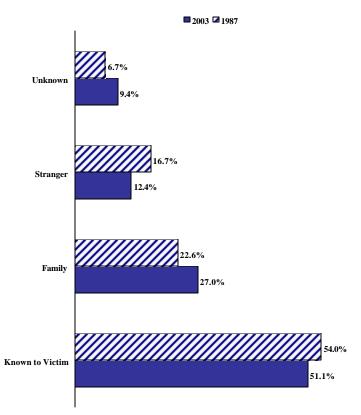
Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	10,123	34.91
2003	25,160	60.83
% Change	+148.5%	+74.2%



#### Weapon Use in South Carolina Aggravated Assaults



#### Relationship of Victims to Offenders in South Carolina Aggravated Assaults



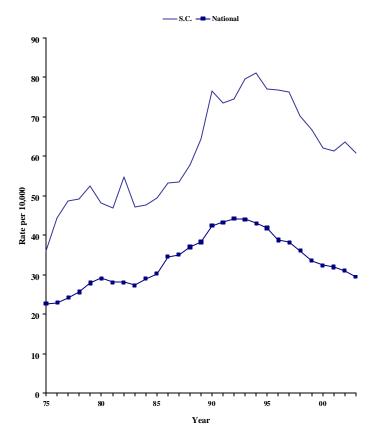
# South Carolina's aggravated assault rate has exceeded the national rate since 1975.

#### STATE & NATIONAL AGGRAVATED ASSAULT RATES

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	34.9	22.7
1976	42.4	22.9
1977	46.2	24.2
1978	46.6	25.6
1979	49.5	27.9
1980	48.2	29.1
1981	47.0	28.1
1982	54.9	28.1
1983	47.1	27.3
1984	47.6	29.0
1985	49.4	30.3
1986	53.2	34.6
1987	53.6	35.1
1988	57.8	37.0
1989	64.4	38.3
1990	76.7	42.4
1991	73.4	43.3
1992	74.6	44.2
1993	79.6	44.0
1994	81.4	43.0
1995	77.0	41.8
1996	76.8	38.8
1997	75.4	38.2
1998	70.2	36.1
1999	66.6	33.6
2000	62.1	32.4
2001	61.2	31.9
2002	63.5	31.0
2003	60.8	29.5

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.





#### South Carolina's property crime rate increased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. From 1975 to 2003, the property crime rate increased 15.7%.

**PROPERTY CRIME:** Property crimes include the offenses of breaking or entering, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

#### **PROPERTY CRIME**

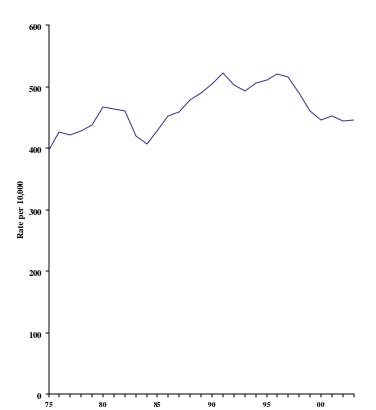
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Rate Per 10 000

Year	Number of Offenses	Inhabitants
2002	182,242	443.74
2003	184,707	446.58
% Change	+1.4%	+0.6%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	111,963	386.08
2003	184,707	446.58
% Change	+65.0%	+15.7%



Year

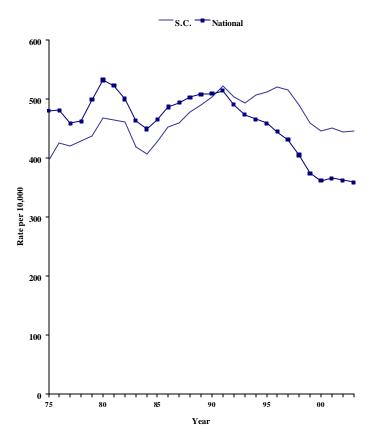
South Carolina Property Crime Rate

#### The state's property crime rate has exceeded the national property crime rate since 1991.

#### STATE & NATIONAL PROPERTY CRIME RATES

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	386.1	480.0
1976	407.6	480.7
1977	399.8	458.8
1978	405.1	462.2
1979	414.1	498.6
1980	467.1	531.9
1981	464.3	522.3
1982	461.1	499.8
1983	419.3	463.0
1984	407.1	449.2
1985	427.3	465.1
1986	451.8	486.3
1987	459.0	494.0
1988	477.9	502.7
1989	490.0	508.1
1990	505.9	508.9
1991	522.4	514.0
1992	502.7	490.3
1993	493.3	473.7
1994	512.3	465.8
1995	511.4	459.1
1996	520.3	444.5
1997	515.9	431.2
1998	489.1	404.9
1999	460.2	374.4
2000	446.7	361.8
2001	451.5	365.6
2002	443.7	362.4
2003	446.6	358.8

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.



#### State and National Property Crime Rates

South Carolina's breaking or entering rate decreased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1975, the breaking or entering rate has decreased 35.5%.

**BREAKING OR ENTERING:** Breaking or entering is the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. The use of force to gain entry is not required to classify an offense as breaking or entering.

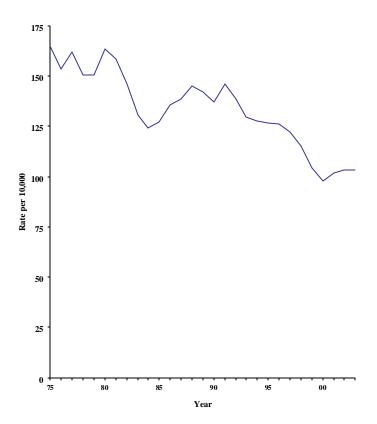
#### **BREAKING OR ENTERING**

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	42,489	103.46
2003	42,742	103.34
% Change	+0.6%	-0.1%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	46,476	160.26
2003	42,742	103.34
% Change	-8.0%	-35.5%

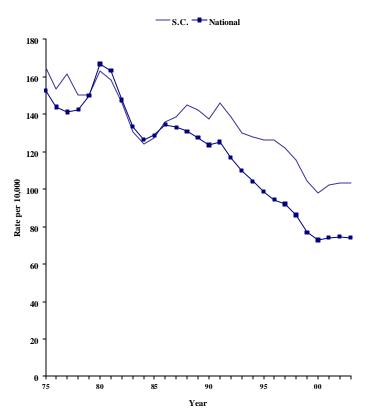


# South Carolina's breaking or entering rate has exceeded the national rate since 1986.

#### STATE & NATIONAL BREAKING OR ENTERING RATES

Year	South Carolina	<b>United States</b>
1975	160.3	152.6
1976	147.1	143.9
1977	153.7	141.1
1978	142.6	142.4
1979	142.2	149.9
1980	163.2	166.8
1981	158.4	163.2
1982	145.9	147.5
1983	130.8	133.4
1984	124.2	126.4
1985	127.3	128.7
1986	135.7	134.5
1987	138.5	133.0
1988	144.9	130.9
1989	142.1	127.6
1990	137.7	123.6
1991	145.9	125.2
1992	138.8	116.8
1993	129.9	109.9
1994	128.6	104.2
1995	126.5	98.7
1996	126.4	94.3
1997	122.2	92.0
1998	115.4	86.2
1999	104.2	77.0
2000	98.0	72.8
2001	102.1	74.1
2002	103.5	74.6
2003	103.3	74.1

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.



#### State and National Breaking or Entering Rates

# South Carolina's larceny rate increased 1.9% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1975, the larceny rate has increased 51.5%.

**LARCENY:** Larceny is the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. It includes crimes such as shoplifting, pocket-picking, purse snatching, thefts from motor vehicles, thefts of motor vehicle parts, and accessories in which no use of force, violence or fraud occurs. This crime category does not include embezzlement, con games, forgery, worthless checks, or motor vehicle theft.

#### LARCENY

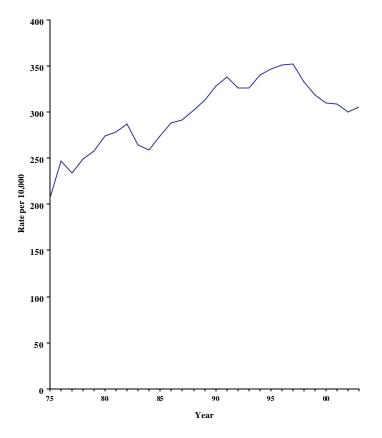
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

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Year	Number of Offenses	Inhabitants
2002	123,052	299.62
2003	126,236	305.21
% Change	+2.6%	+1.9%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	58,422	201.46
2003	126,236	305.21
% Change	+116.1%	+51.5%

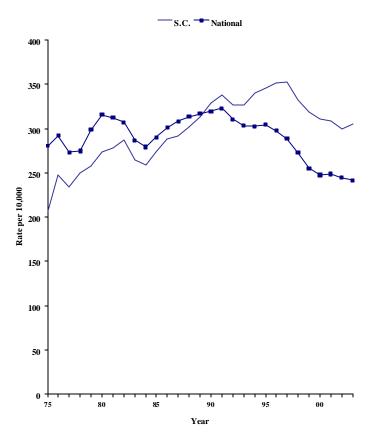


# South Carolina's larceny rate has exceeded the national larceny rate since 1990.

#### **STATE & NATIONAL LARCENY RATES**

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	201.5	280.5
1976	236.8	292.1
1977	222.7	273.0
1978	236.2	274.4
1979	243.9	298.8
1980	273.9	315.6
1981	278.5	312.2
1982	287.4	307.0
1983	264.3	286.7
1984	258.8	279.1
1985	273.6	290.1
1986	288.1	301.0
1987	291.9	308.1
1988	301.8	313.5
1989	313.0	317.0
1990	329.7	319.5
1991	337.8	322.9
1992	326.3	310.3
1993	326.4	303.2
1994	341.9	302.5
1995	346.1	304.4
1996	351.5	297.6
1997	352.1	288.7
1998	332.0	272.8
1999	318.4	255.1
2000	310.3	247.5
2001	308.8	248.5
2002	299.6	244.6
2003	305.2	241.5

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Investigation.



#### State and National Larceny Rates

South Carolina's motor vehicle theft rate decreased 6.5% from 2002 to 2003, and has increased 56.1% since 1975.

**MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT:** Motor vehicle theft is the stealing or attempted stealing of a motor vehicle, including automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor-scooters, snowmobiles, etc. This definition excludes the unauthorized taking of motor vehicles for temporary use by those having lawful access.

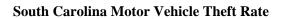
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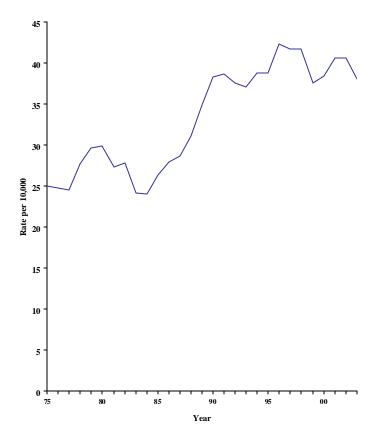
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Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	16,701	40.66
2003	15,729	38.03
% Change	-5.8%	-6.5%

#### MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Offenses	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1975	7,065	24.36
2003	15,729	38.03
% Change	+122.6%	+56.1%



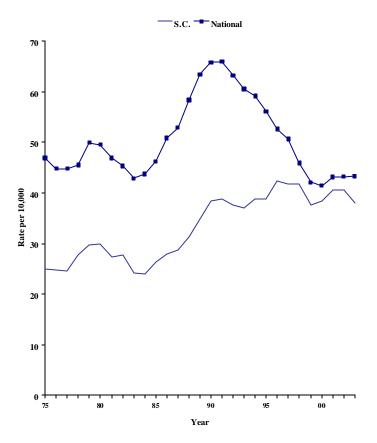


## South Carolina's motor vehicle theft rate has been lower than the national rate since 1975.

#### STATE & NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT RATES

Year	South Carolina	United States
1975	24.4	46.9
1976	23.8	44.8
1977	23.4	44.8
1978	26.3	45.5
1979	28.0	49.9
1980	29.9	49.5
1981	27.3	46.9
1982	27.8	45.3
1983	24.2	42.9
1984	24.1	43.7
1985	26.3	46.2
1986	28.0	50.8
1987	28.7	52.9
1988	31.2	58.3
1989	35.0	63.4
1990	38.5	65.8
1991	38.7	65.9
1992	37.6	63.2
1993	37.0	60.5
1994	39.0	59.1
1995	38.8	56.1
1996	42.4	52.6
1997	41.7	50.6
1998	41.7	45.9
1999	37.6	42.3
2000	38.4	41.4
2001	40.6	43.1
2002	40.7	43.2
2003	38.0	43.3

Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division, Crime in the United States, Federal Bureau of Invest igation.



**State and National Motor Vehicle Rates** 

#### South Carolina Index Crime Count

				Agg.			
Year	Murder	Rape R	lobbery	Assault	B&E	Larceny	MVT
1975	421	741	3,087	10,123	46,476	58,422	7,065
1976	327	888	2,938	12,471	43,246	69,639	6,995
1977	336	942	3,021	13,818	45,941	66,572	6,986
1978	337	1,026	2,934	14,179	43,356	71,829	7,991
1979	368	1,002	3,134	15,273	43,893	75,298	8,643
1980	346	1,143	3,608	15,501	50,963	85,510	9,347
1981	331	1,144	3,788	14,892	50,232	88,319	8,670
1982	348	1,244	3,922	17,547	46,675	91,929	8,890
1983	321	1,143	3,414	15,203	42,166	85,251	7,808
1984	305	1,328	3,398	15,538	40,528	84,412	7,853
1985	306	1,383	3,143	16,274	41,925	90,103	8,665
1986	291	1,395	3,357	17,731	45,218	96,004	9,331
1987	319	1,506	3,465	18,041	46,651	98,325	9,651
1988	325	1,492	4,333	19,636	49,278	102,622	10,601
1989	325	1,649	4,608	22,176	48,922	107,802	12,036
1990	388	1,866	5,303	26,750	48,017	114,925	13,420
1991	408	2,115	6,097	26,116	51,887	120,139	13,781
1992	402	2,251	6,399	26,807	49,895	117,280	13,532
1993	400	1,997	7,017	28,905	47,143	118,426	13,444
1994	366	2,084	6,954	29,664	46,846	124,567	14,201
1995	292	1,820	6,573	28,287	46,452	127,131	14,256
1996	332	1,833	6,252	28,234	46,523	129,128	15,675
1997	321	1,905	6,514	28,647	45,934	132,378	15,673
1998	305	1,793	5,921	26,951	44,319	127,486	16,013
1999	285	1,720	6,049	25,865	40,475	123,723	14,617
2000	297	1,688	6,134	24,991	39,406	124,832	15,455
2001	320	1,764	5,961	24,855	41,453	125,443	16,497
2002	306	1,986	5,898	26,079	42,489	123,052	16,701
2003	300	1,839	5,738	25,160	42,742	126,236	15,729

#### South Carolina Index Crime Rates

				Agg.			
Year N	Murder	Rape R	lobbery	Assault	B&E	Larceny	MVT
1975	1.45	2.56	10.64	34.91	160.26	201.46	24.36
1976	1.45	3.02	9.99	42.40	147.05	236.79	23.78
1977	1.11	3.15	10.11	46.23	153.70	222.72	23.37
1978	1.12	3.37	9.65	46.63	142.57	236.20	26.28
1978	1.11	3.25	10.15	49.48	142.19	230.20	28.00
1980	1.17	3.66	11.56	48.21	163.24	273.89	29.94
1981	1.04	3.61	11.95	46.96	158.41	273.62	27.34
1981	1.04	3.89	12.26	40.90 54.85	145.90	278.32	27.94
1983	1.00	3.54	10.59	47.14	130.75	264.34	42.41
1984	.94	4.07	10.37	47.63	124.24	258.77	24.07
1984	.94	4.20	9.54	49.42	124.24	273.62	24.07
1985	.93	4.19	10.08	53.21	135.71	273.02	28.00
1987	.95	4.47	10.08	53.55	138.47	200.15	28.65
1987	.95	4.39	12.74	57.75	138.47	301.83	31.18
1988	.90	4.79	12.74	64.39	142.05	313.01	34.95
1990	1.11	5.35	15.21	76.74	142.03	329.68	38.50
1990	1.11	5.95	17.14	73.42	145.87	329.08	38.74
1991	1.13	6.26	17.14	74.57	145.87	326.23	37.64
1993	1.12	5.50	19.33	79.63	129.87	326.41	37.04
1993	1.10	5.72	19.09	81.43	129.87	341.94	38.98
1995	.79	4.96	17.90	77.01	126.47	346.12	38.81
1996	.90	4.96	16.90	76.33	125.77	349.09	42.38
1990	.90	4.90 5.07	17.32	76.19	122.16	352.07	41.68
1997	.85	4.67	17.32	70.19	115.41	331.99	41.70
1999	.73	4.43	15.57	66.56	104.16	318.38	37.61
2000	.73	4.43	15.25	62.12	97.95	310.30	37.01
2000	.74	4.20	13.23	61.19	102.05	308.82	40.61
2001	.75	4.84	14.36	63.50	102.05	299.62	40.66
2002	.73	4.04 4.45	14.50	60.83	103.40	299.02 305.21	38.03
2003	./4	4.4.9	13.07	00.85	105.54	505.21	30.05

Note: Crime rates are expressed per 10,000 unit of population. Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.

### ARRESTS

Arrest counts provide a measure of law enforcement's response to crime and also provide descriptive data concerning offenders. Arrest practices, policies, and enforcement emphases vary from place to place and even within a community over time. The arrest practices for certain unlawful conduct such as drunkenness, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, and related violations may differ among agencies. But the practices for robbery, burglary, and other serious crime arrests are more likely to be uniform and consistent throughout all jurisdictions. Uniform Crime Reporting procedures require that an arrest be counted on each separate occasion a person is taken into custody, notified, or cited. Annual arrest figures do not measure the number of individuals arrested, since one person may be arrested several times during the year for the same or different offenses (Crime in the United States, FBI). Statewide arrest data were not available for 2001.

South Carolina's arrest rate for the crime index increased 2.3% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, there has been a decrease of less than 1% in the crime index arrest rate.

**CRIME INDEX:** The crime index consists of murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, breaking or entering, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

#### **CRIME INDEX**

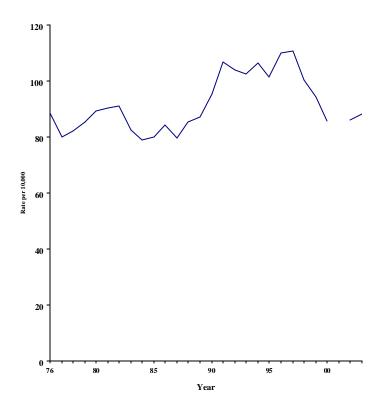
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	35,351	86.07
2003	36,407	88.02
% Change	+3.0%	+2.3%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	24,894	88.40
2003	36,407	88.02
% Change	+46.2%	-0.4%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.



South Carolina's violent crime arrest rate decreased 4.7% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the violent crime arrest rate has increased 20.8%.

**VIOLENT CRIME:** Violent crime consists of murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault, and involves the element of personal confrontation between the victim and offender.

#### **VIOLENT CRIMES**

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

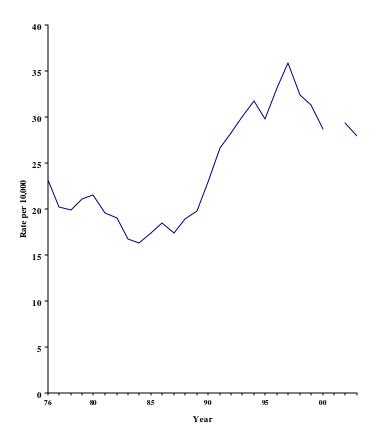
Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	12,046	29.33
2003	11,563	27.96
% Change	-4.0%	-4.7%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	6,519	23.15
2003	11,563	27.96
% Change	+77.4%	+20.8%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.





South Carolina's property crime arrest rate increased 5.9% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the property crime arrest rate has decreased 7.9%.

**PROPERTY CRIME:** Property crime consists of the offenses of breaking or entering, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

#### **PROPERTY CRIMES**

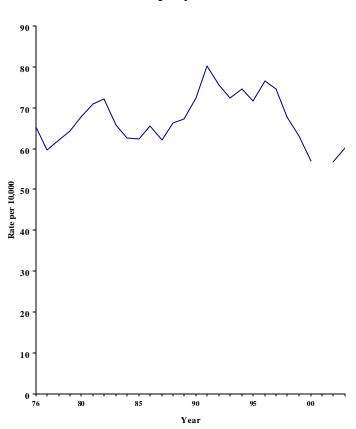
### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	23,305	56.74
2003	24,844	60.07
% Change	+6.6%	+5.9%

### MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	18,375	65.25
2003	24,844	60.07
% Change	+35.2%	-7.9%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Source: Crime in So uth Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.



South Carolina Property Crime Arrest Rate

#### South Carolina Index Crime Arrest Count

Year	Murder	Rape R	lobbery	Agg. Assault	B&E	Larceny	MVT
1976	347	433	1,019	4,720	5,979	11,393	1,003
1977	346	434	902	4,044	5,333	10,832	797
1978	356	457	900	4,000	5,635	11,325	890
1979	403	497	950	4,281	5,806	12,037	940
1980	378	452	1,035	4,836	6,734	13,516	904
1981	307	462	1,115	4,314	6,957	14,679	824
1982	361	532	1,048	4,124	6,556	15,725	771
1983	334	526	1,041	3,483	5,810	14,680	679
1984	283	570	945	3,520	5,523	14,206	716
1985	323	632	818	3,961	5,353	14,353	823
1986	289	653	934	4,274	5,664	15,218	964
1987	288	685	883	3,985	5,356	14,688	852
1988	336	651	1,011	4,420	5,783	15,661	1,050
1989	310	699	1,052	4,726	5,758	16,221	1,207
1990	397	721	1,180	5,707	5,870	18,067	1,362
1991	463	884	1,661	6,465	6,967	19,959	1,578
1992	467	967	1,651	7,069	6,864	18,636	1,644
1993	476	804	1,878	7,736	6,325	18,536	1,368
1994	447	801	1,854	8,518	6,188	19,818	1,319
1995	340	624	1,695	8,254	5,605	19,619	1,057
1996	355	665	1,808	9,488	6,011	21,275	1,173
1997	358	727	2,146	10,265	6,272	20,753	1,038
1998	355	702	1,763	9,625	5,439	19,644	949
1999	306	682	1,767	9,392	5,016	18,529	929
2000	310	592	1,802	8,903	4,691	17,527	890
2001	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2002	295	767	1,632	9,352	4,685	17,639	981
2003	313	577	1,635	9,038	4,903	18,832	1,109

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

#### South Carolina Index Crime Arrest Rates

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Year I	Murder	Rape R	obbery	Assault	B&E I	Larceny	MVT
1976	1.21	1.54	3.62	16.76	21.23	40.46	3.56
1977	1.22	1.53	3.18	14.24	18.78	38.14	2.81
1978	1.24	1.59	3.13	13.90	19.58	39.35	3.09
1979	1.38	1.70	3.26	14.67	19.90	41.25	3.22
1980	1.21	1.45	3.32	15.49	21.57	43.29	2.90
1981	.97	1.46	3.52	13.60	21.94	46.29	2.60
1982	1.13	1.66	3.28	12.89	20.49	49.16	2.41
1983	1.04	1.63	3.23	10.80	18.02	45.52	2.11
1984	.87	1.75	2.90	10.79	16.93	43.55	2.19
1985	.98	1.92	2.48	12.03	16.26	43.59	2.50
1986	.87	1.96	2.80	12.83	17.00	45.67	2.89
1987	.85	20.3	2.62	11.83	15.90	43.60	2.53
1988	.99	1.91	2.97	13.00	17.01	46.06	3.09
1989	.90	2.03	3.05	13.72	16.72	47.10	3.50
1990	1.13	2.06	3.37	16.31	16.78	51.63	3.89
1991	1.30	2.49	4.67	18.18	19.59	56.11	4.44
1992	1.30	2.69	4.59	19.66	19.09	51.84	4.57
1993	1.31	2.21	5.17	21.31	17.42	51.06	3.77
1994	1.22	2.19	5.06	23.25	16.89	54.09	3.60
1995	1.05	2.00	5.43	26.10	17.67	61.11	3.30
1996	.96	1.79	4.86	25.53	16.17	57.25	3.16
1997	.95	1.93	5.71	27.30	16.68	55.19	2.76
1998	.87	1.83	4.59	25.07	14.16	51.16	2.47
1999	.79	1.76	4.55	24.17	12.91	47.68	2.39
2000	.77	1.47	4.48	22.13	11.66	43.57	2.21
2001	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2002	.72	1.87	3.97	22.77	11.41	42.95	2.39
2003	.76	1.40	3.95	21.85	11.85	45.53	2.68

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

South Carolina's simple assault arrest rate increased 23% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the simple assault arrest rate has increased 346.6%.

**SIMPLE ASSAULT:** An unlawful attack upon a person where the offender does not display a weapon, and the victim does not suffer severe or aggravated bodily injury.

#### SIMPLE ASSAULT

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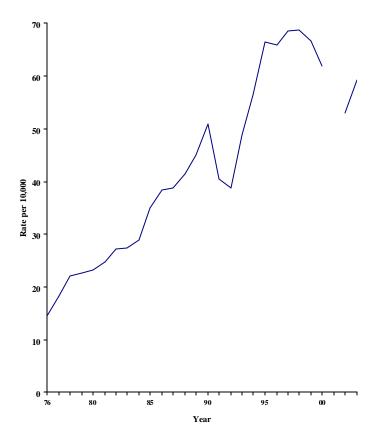
Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	21,755	52.97
2003	24,462	65.16
% Change	+12.4%	+23.0%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	4,108	14.59
2003	24,462	65.16
% Change	+495.5%	+346.6%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Sources: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.





South Carolina's arrest rate for fraud and bad checks decreased 14% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003 the arrest rate for fraud and bad checks increased 491.3%.

**FRAUD & BAD CHECKS:** The intentional perversion of the truth for the purpose of inducing a person or other entity to part with something of value to include the writing and passing of bad checks. This does not include the offenses of counterfeiting or forgery.

#### **FRAUD & BAD CHECKS**

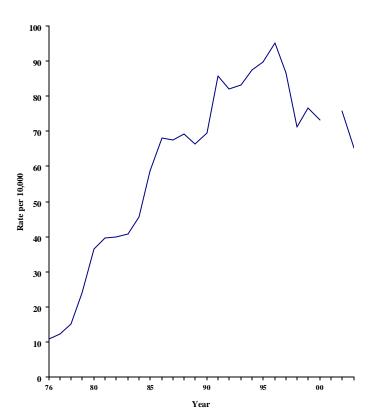
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	31,113	75.76
2003	26,952	65.16
% Change	-13.4%	-14.0%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	3,102	11.02
2003	26,952	65.16
% Change	+768.9%	+491.3%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.



South Carolina Fraud & Bad Check Arrest Rate

South Carolina's arrest rate for weapons law violations increased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the arrest rate has decreased 33.1%.

**WEAPONS LAW VIOLATIONS:** The violation of laws prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, or other deadly weapons.

#### WEAPONS LAW VIOLATIONS

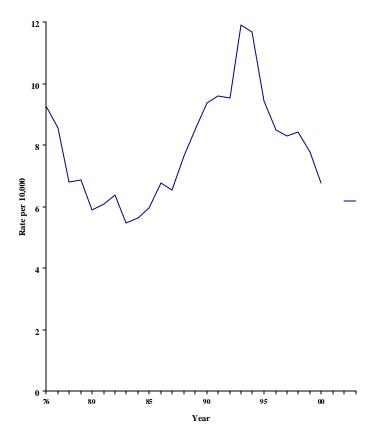
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	2,541	6.19
2003	2,565	6.20
% Change	+0.9%	+0.2%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	2,611	9.27
2003	2,565	6.20
% Change	-1.8%	-33.1%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available. Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.



South Carolina's drug law arrest rate increased 9.3% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the arrest rate increased 194.4%.

**DRUG LAWS:** The drug law arrest rate includes arrests for crimes related to the possession, distribution or manufacture of illegal narcotic substances.

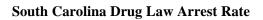
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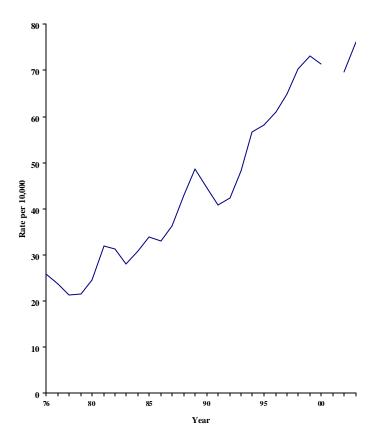
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitan <i>t</i> s
2002	28,600	69.64
2003	31,474	76.10
% Change	+10.0%	+9.3%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	7,280	25.85
2003	31,474	76.10
% Change	+332.3%	+194.4%





South Carolina's D.U.I. arrest rate decreased 22.9% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the D.U.I. arrest rate has decreased 60.5%.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE:** D.U.I. consists of driving or operating a motor vehicle while mentally or physically impaired as the result of using alcohol, legal drugs, illegal drugs or narcotics.

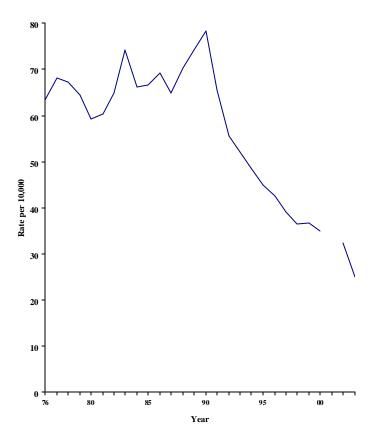
#### **DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE**

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	13,318	32.43
2003	10,343	25.01
% Change	-22.3%	-22.9%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	17,839	63.35
2003	10,343	25.01
% Change	-42.0%	-60.5%



South Carolina's liquor law arrest rate decreased 3.2% from 2002 to 2003. From 1976 through 2003, the liquor law arrest rate has increased 71.6%.

**LIQUOR LAWS:** Violation of laws pertaining to the manufacture, sale, or distribution of alcoholic beverages.

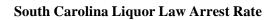
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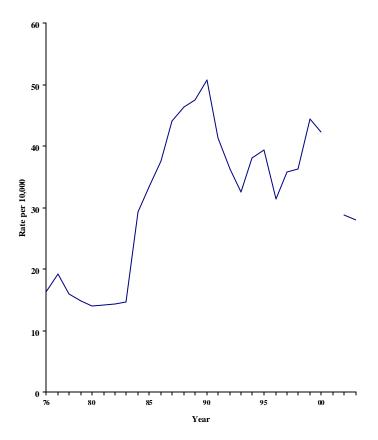
# ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	11,860	28.88
2003	11,563	27.96
% Change	-2.5%	-3.2%

## MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	4,586	16.29
2003	11,563	27.96
% Change	+152.1%	+71.6%





# South Carolina's drunkenness arrest rate decreased 2.1% from 2002 to 2003 and has decreased 84% since 1976.

**DRUNKENNESS:** To drink alcoholic beverages to the extent that one's mental faculties and physical coordination are substantially impaired. This offense includes the offenses of drunk and disorderly, common drunkard, habitual drunkard, and intoxication.

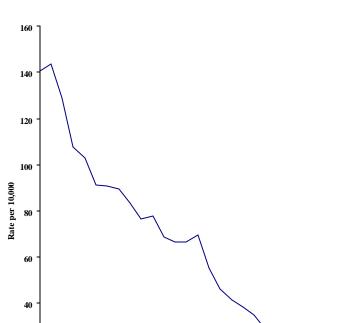
#### DRUNKENNESS

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
2002	9,464	23.04
2003	9,326	22.55
% Change	-1.5%	-2.1%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Inhabitants
1976	39,617	140.69
2003	9,326	22.55
% Change	-76.5%	-84.0%



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Year

### South Carolina Selected Offense Arrest Count

Simple	Fraud /	Drug		Liquor	
YearAssault	Checks Weap	pons Laws	DUI	Laws	Drunk
1976 4,108		,611 7,280	17,839	4,586	39,617
1977 5,189	, ,	,435 6,707	19,334	5,460	40,741
1978 6,373	4,340 1,	,959 6,145	19,383	4,621	37,049
1979 6,612	· · · · ·	,006 6,299	18,785	4,346	31,407
1980 7,269	11,363 1,	,837 7,687	18,473	4,392	32,085
1981 7,814	12,565 1,	,930 10,135	19,089	4,512	28,912
1982 8,721	12,788 2,	,039 10,016	20,718	4,595	29,101
1983 8,813	13,148 1,	,770 9,020	23,959	4,747	28,829
1984 9,435	14,890 1,	,839 10,083	21,600	9,576	27,190
1985 11,532	19,328 1,	,962 11,165	21,908	10,990	25,153
1986 12,769	22,689 2,	,252 11,014	23,039	12,539	25,883
1987 13,069	22,718 2,	,203 12,187	21,843	14,858	23,143
1988 14,086	23,579 2,	,602 14,616	23,914	15,775	22,666
1989 15,486	22,881 2,	,923 16,734	25,561	16,369	22,856
1990 17,801	24,284 3,	278 15,585	27,415	17,751	24,378
1991 14,379	30,492 3,	416 14,506	23,302	14,676	19,666
1992 13,907	29,446 3,	423 15,199	19,945	13,074	16,582
1993 17,687	30,187 4,	,319 17,464	18,905	11,851	15,072
1994 20,694	31,995 4,	283 20,742	17,813	13,970	14,080
1995 24,409	32,943 3,	463 21,399	16,488	14,463	12,818
1996 24,469	35,305 3,	160 22,660	15,799	11,712	10,569
1997 25,753	32,573 3,	124 24,405	14,732	13,453	10,393
1998 26,385	27,294 3,	243 26,961	13,991	13,938	10,440
1999 25,880	29,790 3,	,022 28,397	14,246	17,277	9,456
2000 24,901	29,403 2,	752 28,729	14,025	17,017	9,126
2001 NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA
2002 21,755	31,113 2,	541 28,600	13,318	11,860	9,464
2003 24,462		565 31,474	10,343	11,563	9,326
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Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.

### South Carolina Selected Offense Arrest Rates

S	Simple	Fraud /		Drug		Liquor	
YearA	Assault	Checks W	<i>leapons</i>	Laws	DUI	Laws	Drunk
1976	14.59	11.02	9.27	25.85	63.35	16.29	140.69
1977	18.27	12.42	8.57	23.62	68.08	19.23	143.45
1978	22.14	15.08	6.81	21.35	67.35	16.06	128.73
1979	22.66	24.15	6.87	21.59	64.38	14.89	107.63
1980	23.28	36.40	5.88	24.62	59.17	14.07	102.77
1981	24.64	39.62	6.09	31.96	60.20	14.23	91.18
1982	27.26	39.97	6.37	31.31	64.76	14.36	90.97
1983	27.33	40.77	5.49	27.97	74.29	14.72	89.39
1984	28.92	45.65	5.64	30.91	66.22	29.36	83.35
1985	35.02	58.69	5.96	33.91	66.53	33.37	76.38
1986	38.32	68.09	6.76	33.06	69.14	37.63	77.68
1987	38.79	67.43	6.54	36.17	64.84	44.10	68.69
1988	41.43	69.35	7.65	42.99	70.34	46.40	66.66
1989	44.97	66.44	8.49	48.59	74.22	47.53	66.36
1990	50.87	69.40	9.37	44.54	78.35	50.73	69.67
1991	40.42	85.72	9.60	40.78	65.51	41.26	55.29
1992	38.68	81.91	9.52	42.28	55.48	36.37	46.13
1993	48.72	83.16	11.90	48.11	52.08	32.65	41.52
1994	56.48	87.32	11.69	56.61	48.62	38.13	38.43
1995	66.46	89.69	9.43	58.26	44.89	39.38	34.90
1996	65.83	94.98	8.50	60.96	42.50	31.51	28.43
1997	68.49	86.63	8.31	64.91	39.18	35.78	27.64
1998	68.71	71.08	8.45	70.21	36.43	36.30	27.19
1999	66.60	76.66	7.78	73.08	36.66	44.46	24.33
2000	61.90	73.09	6.77	71.41	34.86	42.30	22.68
2001	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2002	52.97	75.76	6.19	69.64	32.43	28.88	23.04
2003	59.14	65.16	6.20	76.10	25.01	27.96	22.55

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.

## JUDICIARY

The judicial system of South Carolina consists of several different levels of courts. These courts include the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, the circuit courts (both General Sessions and Common Pleas), the family courts, the magisterial courts, the municipal courts, the probate courts, and the master-in-equity courts. The prosecutorial system consists of the circuit solicitors and the Office of the Attorney General. The component includes defense public defender corporations, court appointed counsel, retained counsel, and the Office of Appellate Defense (S.C. Judicial Department). Court data presented in the following pages represent activity on the part of the circuit, magisterial and municipal courts.

Additional statistical information is available on the Judicial Department's web site at:

http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/

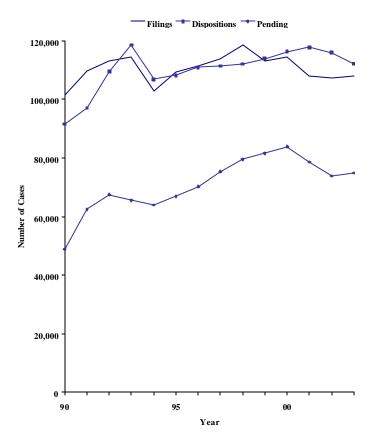
## The number of cases filed in South Carolina's Court of General Sessions increased less than 1% from FY 02 to FY 03.

#### GENERAL SESSIONS COURT FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS

			Pending
Year	Filings	Dispositions	End of Year
1990	101,461	91,633	48,756
1991	109,580	97,132	62,419
1992	113,289	109,514	67,452
1993	114,501	118,603	65,478
1994	102,829	106,873	63,955
1995	109,419	108,222	66,833
1996	111,528	110,959	70,175
1997	113,722	111,418	75,319
1998	118,640	112,123	79,565
1999	113,278	113,897	81,605
2000	114,358	116,348	83,881
2001	108,010	117,790	78,610
2002	107,423	115,961	73,859
2003	107,950	112,267	74,859

Note: Years 1990 through 1996 represent data collected over the corresponding calendar year. Subsequent years represent data collected over the corresponding fiscal year.

Sources: South Carolina Judicial Department Annual Reports, and Statistical Summaries. Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.



#### South Carolina General Sessions Court Cases

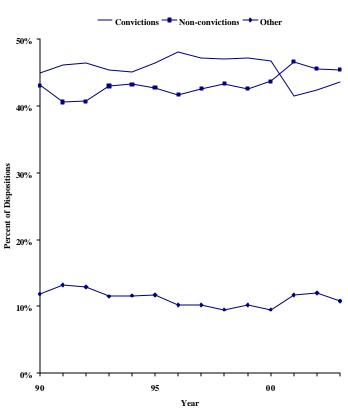
## Of all the indictments disposed of in South Carolina's Court of General Sessions during FY 03, 43.6% resulted in convictions.

#### OUTCOME OF SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL SESSIONS COURT CASES

		Non-	
Year	Convictions	convictions	Other
1990	45.0%	43.1%	11.9%
1991	46.2%	40.6%	13.2%
1992	46.4%	40.7%	12.9%
1993	45.5%	43.0%	11.5%
1994	45.1%	43.3%	11.6%
1995	46.5%	42.8%	11.7%
1996	48.1%	41.7%	10.2%
1997	47.2%	42.6%	10.2%
1998	47.0%	43.4%	9.5%
1999	47.3%	42.6%	10.2%
2000	46.8%	43.7%	9.5%
2001	41.6%	46.7%	11.7%
2002	42.4%	45.6%	12.0%
2003	43.6%	45.5%	10.8%

Note: Years 1990 through 1996 represent data collected over the corresponding calendar year. Subsequent years represent data collected over the corresponding fiscal year.

Sources: South Carolina Judicial Department Annual Reports and Statistical Summaries. Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.



Disposition of Indictments in South Carolina General Sessions Court

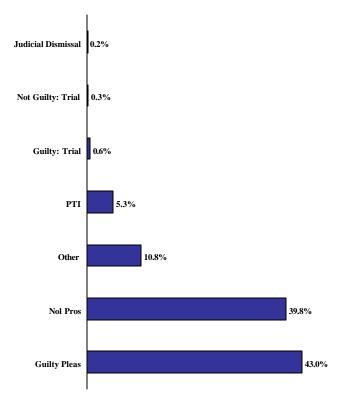
## Convictions resulting from guilty pleas accounted for 43% of all the Court of General Sessions dispositions in FY 03.

#### DISPOSITION OF SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL SESSIONS CASES IN FY 03

Disposition	Number	Percentage
Guilty Pleas	48,386	43.0%
Nol Proseque	44,720	39.8%
Other Dispositions	12,000	10.8%
PTI/Judicial Commitment	5,925	5.3%
Guilty at Trial	692	0.6%
Not Guilty at Trial	302	0.3%
Judicial Dismissals	222	0.2%
Total	112,447	100.0%

Note: Other Dispositions include those dismissed at preliminary hearing, no bill by grand jury, remanded, failure to appear and judicial dispositions. Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.

#### General Sessions Court Dispositions by Outcome FY 03



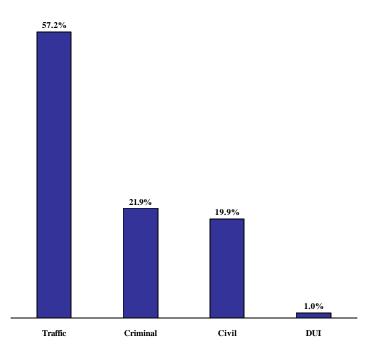
# Traffic cases, not including driving under the influence, made up 57.2% of magistrate court cases filed in FY 03.

#### MAGISTRATE COURT CASES BY TYPE FY 03

Case Type	Number	Percentage
Civil	204,607	19.9%
Criminal	225,439	21.9%
DUI	10,453	1.0%
Traffic	589,320	57.2%
Total	1,029,819	100.0%

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.

#### South Carolina Magistrate Court Cases by Type FY 03

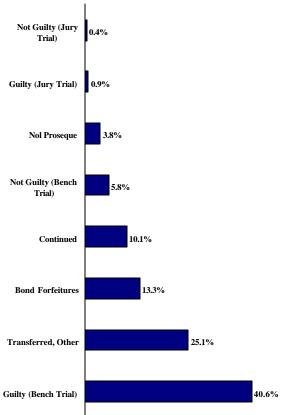


## Of the criminal cases processed through South Carolina's magistrate court during FY 03, 40.6% resulted in a guilty verdict by a bench trial.

#### MAGISTRATE COURT DISPOSITIONS FY 03

Case Type	Number	Percentage
Bond Forfeitures	34,943	13.3%
Continued	26,561	10.1%
Guilty (Bench Trial)	106,776	40.6%
Guilty (Jury Trial)	2,275	0.9%
Nol Proseque	9,886	3.8%
Not Guilty (Bench Trial)	15,292	5.8%
Not Guilty (Jury Trial)	994	0.4%
Transferred, Other	66,061	25.1%
Total	262,788	100.0%

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.



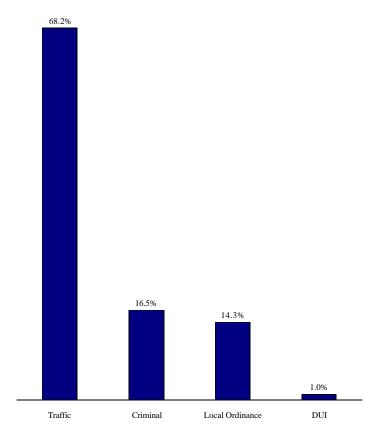
#### Outcome of South Carolina Magistrate Criminal Cases FY 03

# Traffic cases accounted for 68.2% of cases filed in South Carolina's municipal courts in FY 03.

#### MUNICIPAL COURT CASES BY TYPE FY 03

Case Type	Number	Percentage
Criminal	70,866	16.5%
DUI	4,367	1.0%
Local Ordinance	61,415	14.3%
Traffic	293,392	68.2%
Total	430,040	100.0%

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.



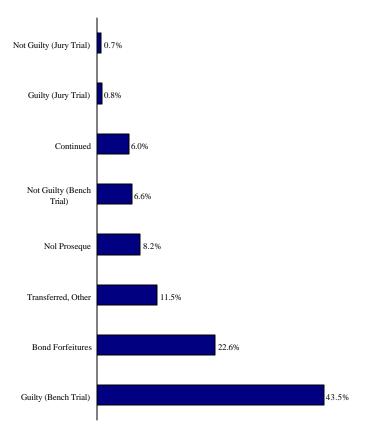
## South Carolina Municipal Court Cases by Type FY 03

### Of the criminal cases processed through South Carolina's municipal court during FY 03, 43.5% resulted in a guilty verdict by bench trial.

#### MUNICIPAL COURT DISPOSITIONS FY 03

Case Type	Number	Percentage
Bond Forfeitures	17,061	22.6%
Continued	4,515	6.0%
Guilty (Bench Trial)	32,836	43.5%
Guilty (Jury Trial)	620	0.8%
Nol Proseque	6,183	8.2%
Not Guilty (Bench Trial)	5,003	6.6%
Not Guilty (Jury Trial)	519	0.7%
Transferred, Other	8,697	11.5%
Total	75,434	100.0%

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Judicial Department.



#### Outcome of Municipal Criminal Cases FY 03

## JAILS

The jail system in South Carolina provides an important example of intergovernmental cooperation. Although jails are the administrative and financial responsibility of local governments, both county and municipal, the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) is responsible for ensuring that local jails and detention centers meet certain operational standards. Jails must meet these standards to be certified for operation. Jails and detention centers are an important segment of the criminal justice system. They detain prisoners before trial, and provide a place where some inmates may serve their sentences. Data concerning jail capacity and use are available for calendar years 1985 through 2002.

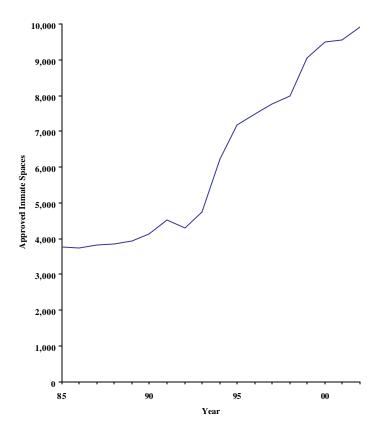
# The total capacity of South Carolina's jails increased 163.7% from 1985 to 2002, and increased 3.9% from 2001 to 2002.

#### TOTAL RATED JAIL CAPACITY

Year	Capacity	Change Over Prior Year
1985	3,762	
1986	3,737	-0.7%
1987	3,823	+2.3%
1988	3,858	+ 0.9%
1989	3,932	+1.9%
1990	4,126	+ 4.9%
1991	4,511	+ 9.3%
1992	4,299	-4.7%
1993	4,745	+10.4%
1994	6,231	+31.3%
1995	7,170	+15.1%
1996	7,487	+4.4%
1997	7,773	+3.8%
1998	7,983	+2.7%
1999	9,036	+13.2%
2000	9,490	+5.0%
2001	9,546	+0.6%
2002	9,921	+3.9%

Source: Unpublished data, SC Department of Corrections, Division of Inspections and Operational Review.

### South Carolina Jail Capacity

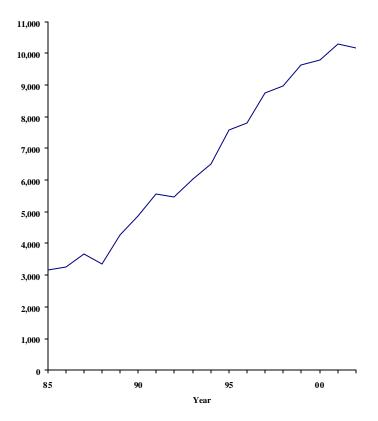


# The average daily population of South Carolina's jails increased 223.7% from 1985 to 2002, and decreased 1.1% from 2001 to 2002.

#### **AVERAGE DAILY JAIL POPULATION**

Year	Average Daily Population	Change Over Prior Year
1985	3,146	
1986	3,255	+3.5%
1987	3,675	+12.9%
1988	3,337	-9.2%
1989	4,260	+27.7%
1990	4,874	+14.4%
1991	5,571	+14.3%
1992	5,437	-1.8%
1993	6,039	+10.3%
1994	6,512	+7.8%
1995	7,589	+16.5%
1996	7,811	+2.9%
1997	8,738	+11.9%
1998	8,977	+2.7%
1999	9,633	+7.3%
2000	9,789	+1.6%
2001	10,298	+5.2%
2002	10,185	-1.1%

Source: Unpublished data, SC Department of Corrections, Division of Inspections and Operational Review.



#### South Carolina Average Daily Jail Population

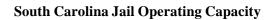
# South Carolina's jails were operating at 103% of their total rated capacity during 2002.

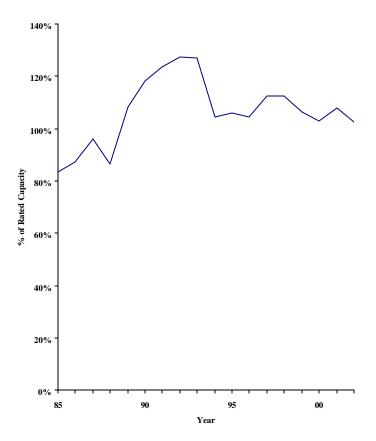
#### **OPERATING CAPACITY OF JAILS**

Year	% Capacity
1985	84%
1986	87%
1987	96%
1988	87%
1989	108%
1990	118%
1991	124%
1992	126%
1993	127%
1994	105%
1995	106%
1996	104%
1997	112%
1998	112%
1999	107%
2000	103%
2001	108%
2002	103%

Note: Operating capacity represents a comparison of the average daily population to rated capacity. When operating capacity exceeds 100% it means that the average daily population was greater than the rated capacity.

Source: Unpublished data, SC Department of Corrections, Division of Inspections and Operational Review.



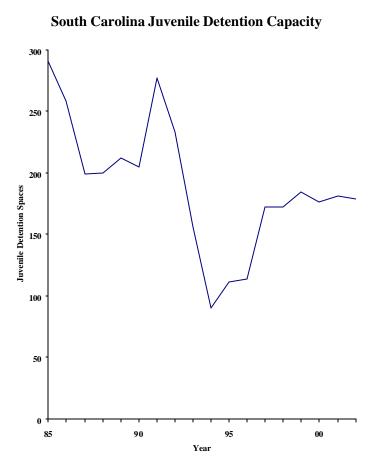


# The total capacity of South Carolina's jails to detain juveniles decreased 38.5% from 1985 to 2002.

#### TOTAL JUVENILE JAIL CAPACITY

Year	Capacity	Change Over Prior Year
1985	291	
1986	258	-11.3%
1987	199	-22.9%
1988	200	+0.5%
1989	212	+6.0%
1990	205	-3.3%
1991	277	+35.1%
1992	233	-15.9%
1993	156	-33.0%
1994	90	-42.3%
1995	111	+23.3%
1996	114	+2.7%
1997	172	+50.9%
1998	172	0.0%
1999	184	+7.0%
2000	176	-4.3%
2001	181	+2.8%
2002	179	-1.1%

Source: Unpublished data, SC Department of Corrections, Division of Inspections and Operational Review.



## CORRECTIONS

The South Carolina Department of Corrections is a cabinet agency, headed by a director reporting directly to, and serving at the pleasure of, the Governor. The director administers policy and is responsible for the operation of a modern, statewide penal system. The department is responsible for the incarceration of offenders sentenced to 91 days or more in a safe, secure and humane setting in order to protect public safety. The department also provides offenders with opportunities to become productive, law abiding citizens.

Additional statistical information is available on the department's web site at:

www.state.sc.us/scdc/PublicInformation/StatisticalRepo rts/StatisticalReports.htm

#### South Carolina ranked sixth among the states, incarcerating 551 inmates per 100,000 residents. The national incarceration rate was 482 inmates per 100,000 residents.

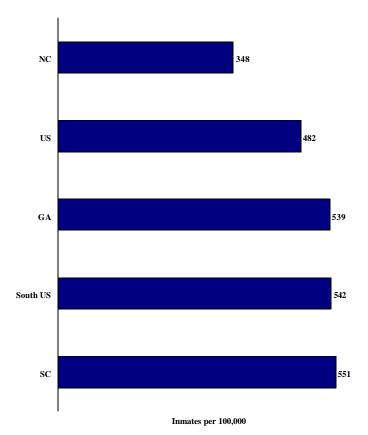
#### STATE INCARCERATION RATES: THE TEN HIGHEST, DECEMBER 31, 2003

State	Incarceration Rate per 100,000
Louisiana	801
Mississippi	768
Texas	702
Oklahoma	636
Alabama	635
South Carolina	551
Georgia	539
Missouri	529
California	525
Florida	501

Source: Prisoners in 2003, Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Notes: Incarceration rates include only inmates with a sentence of 1 year or more, except for Texas and Oklahoma which include some inmates with sentences of less than 1 year.

**Selected Incarceration Rates** 



# Florence County committed 52.6 inmates per 10,000 population, the highest rate among the counties.

#### COUNTIES BY INMATE COMMITMENT RATE: THE TOP TEN IN FY 03

County	Number of Commitments	Commitments Per 10,000
Florence	669	52.6
Greenwood	314	46.5
Union	136	46.1
Newberry	165	44.7
Lee	90	43.9
Saluda	80	41.5
Marion	144	41.1
York	708	40.8
Richland	1,330	40.4
Greenville	1,536	39.3

Note: County represents the county of commitment and which is not necessarily the county of residence.

Sources: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections, Unpublished data, Budget and Control Board, Office of Research & Statistical Services.

#### South Carolina Inmates Admitted FY 03 By County

County 1	Number	Rate	County N	umber	Rate
Abbeville	93	35.2	Greenwood	314	46.5
Aiken	384	26.4	Hampton	57	26.8
Allendale	36	32.7	Horry	607	29.5
Anderson	605	35.5	Jasper	49	23.3
Bamberg	47	28.8	Kershaw	152	28.4
Barnwell	83	35.5	Lancaster	225	36.2
Beaufort	168	13.1	Laurens	251	35.6
Berkeley	300	20.6	Lee	90	43.9
Calhoun	35	22.7	Lexington	437	19.6
Charleston	1,140	36.0	McCormick	26	25.5
Cherokee	181	33.8	Marion	144	41.1
Chester	118	34.5	Marlboro	107	37.3
Chesterfield	1 93	21.5	Newberry	165	44.7
Clarendon	121	36.8	Oconee	161	23.7
Colleton	93	24.0	Orangeburg	338	37.1
Darlington	195	28.7	Pickens	275	24.3
Dillon	97	31.4	Richland	1,330	40.4
Dorchester	308	30.6	Saluda	80	41.5
Edgefield	77	30.9	Spartanburg	919	35.4
Fairfield	58	24.2	Sumter	400	38.0
Florence	669	52.6	Union	136	46.1
Georgetowr	n 192	32.9	Williamsburg	g 100	27.4
Greenville	1,536	39.3	York	708	40.8

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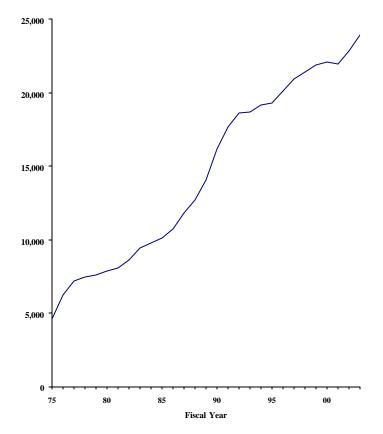
Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections Unpublished data, South Carolina Budget & Control Board, Office of Research and Statistics.

## The state's inmate population increased 4.9% from FY 02 to FY 03.

#### **INMATE POPULATION**

Fiscal Year	# Inmates	Change Over Prior Year
1975	4,618	
1976	6,264	+35.6%
1977	7,167	+14.4%
1978	7,447	+3.9%
1979	7,623	+2.4%
1980	7,869	+3.2%
1981	8,078	+2.7%
1982	8,602	+6.5%
1983	9,392	+9.2%
1984	9,789	+4.2%
1985	10,121	+3.4%
1986	10,755	+6.3%
1987	11,786	+9.6%
1988	12,660	+7.4%
1989	14,049	+11.0%
1990	16,149	+14.9%
1991	17,641	+9.2%
1992	18,581	+5.3%
1993	18,704	+0.7%
1994	19,150	+2.4%
1995	19,328	+0.9%
1996	20,122	+4.1%
1997	20,930	+4.0%
1998	21,401	+2.3%
1999	21,855	+2.1%
2000	22,053	+0.9%
2001	21,946	-0.5%
2002	22,829	+4.0%
2003	23,950	+4.9%

Sources: South Carolina Department of Corrections Annual Reports, Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.



#### South Carolina Inmate Population

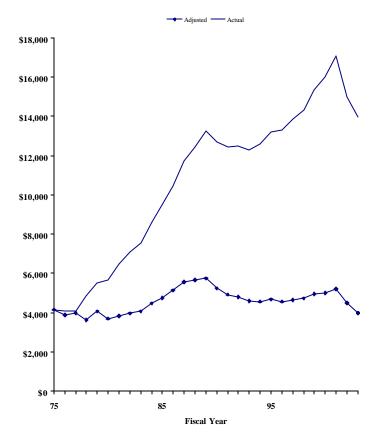
## The annual cost per inmate in South Carolina was \$13,962 in FY 03.

Fiscal Year	Actual Cost	Adjusted Cost
1975	\$4,147	\$4,147
1976	\$4,102	\$3,879
1977	\$4,075	\$3,982
1978	\$4,826	\$3,618
1979	\$5,488	\$4,067
1980	\$5,666	\$3,699
1981	\$6,489	\$3,841
1982	\$7,110	\$3,963
1983	\$7,520	\$4,062
1984	\$8,632	\$4,470
1985	\$9,476	\$4,738
1986	\$10,471	\$5,140
1987	\$11,721	\$5,551
1988	\$12,421	\$5,649
1989	\$13,237	\$5,743
1990	\$12,707	\$5,231
1991	\$12,451	\$4,918
1992	\$12,467	\$4,781
1993	\$12,296	\$4,578
1994	\$12,574	\$4,565
1995	\$13,219	\$4,667
1996	\$13,315	\$4,566
1997	\$13,857	\$4,645
1998	\$14,318	\$4,726
1999	\$15,336	\$4,952
2000	\$16,024	\$5,006
2001	\$17,076	\$5,187
2002	\$14,975	\$4,478
2003	\$13,962	\$3,966

#### ANNUAL COST PER INMATE

Note: Adjusted cost uses the Consumer Price Index to account for inflation and reflect the cost in 1975 dollars.

Sources: South Carolina Department of Corrections Annual Reports, Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections, Unpublished data, United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.



#### South Carolina Annual Inmate Costs

More inmates are incarcerated for drug offenses than any other offense category. The percent of inmates serving time in South Carolina for drug convictions has increased from 5.6% in FY 77 to 22.1% in FY 03.

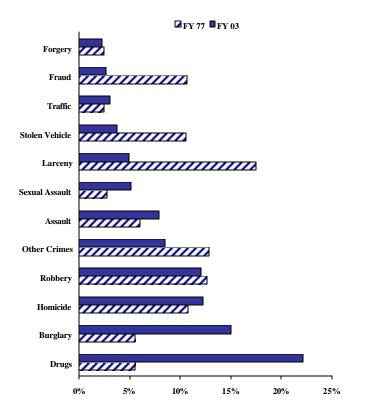
#### OFFENSE DISTRIBUTION FOR INMATES CURRENT POPULATION

	FY 77		FY	03
Offense	Number	Pct.	Number	Pct.
Drugs	501	5.6%	5,303	22.1%
Burglary	503	5.6%	3,609	15.1%
Homicide	971	10.8%	2,936	12.3%
Robbery	1,139	12.7%	2,903	12.1%
Other Crimes	1,158	12.9%	2,042	8.5%
Assault	542	6.0%	1,890	7.9%
Sexual Assault	248	2.8%	1,236	5.2%
Larceny	1,576	17.5%	1,196	5.0%
Stolen Vehicle	951	10.6%	911	3.8%
Traffic	224	2.5%	740	3.1%
Fraud	961	10.7%	631	2.6%
Forgery	223	2.5%	553	2.3%
Total	8,997	100.0%	23,950	100.0%

Notes: Although earlier offense data were available, the FY 77 offense classifications provide the best comparison for current data. Offense category is based on the offense with the longest sentence.

Sources: South Carolina Department of Corrections Annual Reports, Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.

## South Carolina Inmate Population by Offense



# In FY 03, the average age of inmates was 33.5 years, 67.6% of inmates were Black and 92.7% of inmates were male.

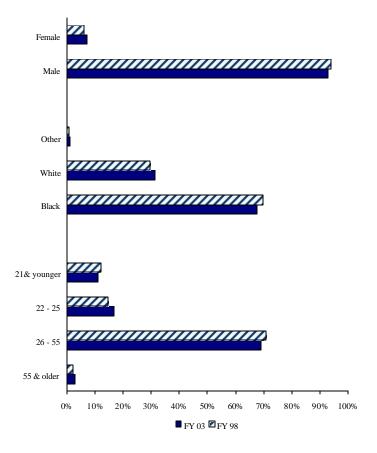
#### **INMATE DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS**

	FY 98		FY 03	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Age				
21& younger	2,600	12.1%	2,613	11.2%
22 - 25	3,191	14.8%	3,966	16.9%
26 - 55	15,299	70.9%	16,168	69.0%
55 & older	478	2.2%	681	2.9%

Average current age: 32.7 years - FY 98, 33.5 years - FY 03 Average age at admission: 29.4 years - FY, 30.0 years - FY 03

15,041	69.7%	15,832	67.6%
6,386	29.6%	7,343	31.3%
141	0.7%	253	1.1%
1,313	6.1%	1,707	7.3%
20,255	93.9%	21,721	92.7%
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Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.



#### **Inmate Demographic Characteristics**

## Newberry County had the highest release rate, 44.2 inmates per 10,000 population.

## COUNTIES BY INMATE RELEASE RATES: THE TOP TEN IN FY 03

County	Number of Inmates Released	Inmates Released Per 10,000
Newberry	163	44.2
Greenwood	297	44.0
Marion	154	44.0
Florence	537	42.2
Marlboro	117	40.8
Greenville	1,565	40.0
Union	116	39.3
Lee	77	37.6
Clarendon	122	37.1
Sumter	383	36.4

Notes: Based on county of commitment. Rate expressed per 10,000 unit of population.

Sources: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections, Unpublished data, South Carolina Budget & Control Board, Office of Research and Statistics.

#### South Carolina Inmates Released FY 03 By County

County N	Number	Rate	County N	umber	Rate
Abbeville	88	33.3	Greenwood	297	44.0
Aiken	360	24.8	Hampton	63	29.6
Allendale	38	34.5	Horry	585	28.4
Anderson	554	32.5	Jasper	55	26.2
Bamberg	54	33.1	Kershaw	163	30.4
Barnwell	80	34.2	Lancaster	186	29.9
Beaufort	158	12.3	Laurens	243	34.5
Berkeley	262	18.0	Lee	77	37.6
Calhoun	31	20.1	Lexington	424	19.0
Charleston	932	29.4	McCormick	31	30.4
Cherokee	187	35.0	Marion	154	44.0
Chester	111	32.5	Marlboro	117	40.8
Chesterfield	98	22.7	Newberry	163	44.2
Clarendon	122	37.1	Oconee	164	24.2
Colleton	85	21.9	Orangeburg	285	31.3
Darlington	208	30.6	Pickens	230	20.3
Dillon	87	28.2	Richland	1,082	32.9
Dorchester	256	25.4	Saluda	60	31.1
Edgefield	64	25.7	Spartanburg	893	34.4
Fairfield	63	26.3	Sumter	383	36.4
Florence	537	42.2	Union	116	39.3
Georgetown	160	27.4	Williams burg	g 90	24.7
Greenville	1,565	40.0	York	576	33.2

Notes: Based on county of commitment. Rate expressed per 10,000 unit of population.

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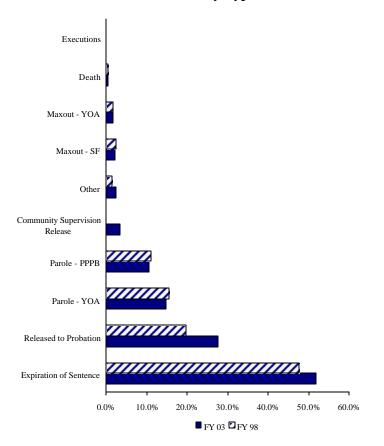
#### In FY 2003, 51.9% of inmates were released due to serving their full sentence, less good time and work/education credits.

#### **INMATES RELEASED FROM CUSTODY**

	FY 98		FY 03	
Type Release	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Community				
Supervision Rel	ease 0	0.0%	372	3.4%
Death	56	0.5%	52	0.5%
Executed	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
Expiration of				
Sentence	5,217	47.7%	5,674	51.9%
Maxout - SF	258	2.4%	230	2.1%
Maxout - YOA	169	1.5%	174	1.6%
Other	164	1.5%	258	2.4%
Paroled - BPP	1,212	11.1%	1,146	10.5%
Paroled - YOA	1,705	15.6%	1,605	14.7%
Released to				
Probation	2,144	19.6%	3,025	27.7%
Total	10,927	100.0%	12,538	100.0%

Notes: SF is an abbreviation for supervised furlough. YOA is an abbreviation for Youthful Offender Act. BPP is an abbreviation for the Board of Paroles and Pardons. The category other includes releases due to court orders, paid fines, appeal bonds, pardons and being remanded to the county.

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.



#### South Carolina Inmates by Type of Release

# *Of the prison inmates released in South Carolina during FY 03, 50.7% served one year or less.*

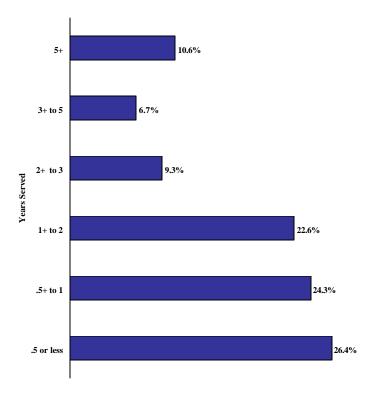
#### TIME SERVED BY INMATES RELEASED FY 03

Time Served	Number	Percent
0 - 3 months	1,201	9.6%
3 - 6 months	2,111	16.8%
6 - 9 months	1,543	12.3%
9 - 12 months	1,503	12.0%
1 - 2 years	2,839	22.6%
2 - 3 years	1,171	9.3%
3 - 4 years	477	3.8%
4 - 5 years	363	2.9%
5 - 6 years	262	2.1%
6 - 7 years	187	1.5%
7 - 8 years	178	1.4%
8 - 9 years	150	1.2%
9 - 10 years	103	0.8%
10 - 15 years	319	2.5%
15 - 20 years	80	0.6%
20+ years	51	0.4%
Total	12,538	100.0%

Notes: Excludes inmates who died or were released due to conditions associated with shock incarceration, having paid restitution or having paid fines. The start of each time range is actually plus one day.

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.

#### Time Served by South Carolina Inmates Released During FY 03

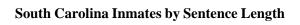


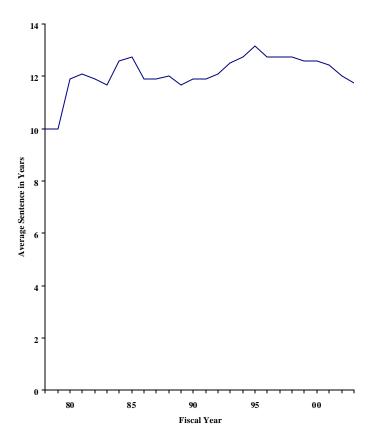
## The average sentence of South Carolina's inmates was 11.75 years in FY 03.

#### **INMATES BY SENTENCE LENGTH**

Fiscal Year	Average Sentence Char cal Year Length (Years) Pr	
1978	10.00	
1979	10.00	0.0%
1980	11.92	+19.2%
1981	12.08	+1.3%
1982	11.92	-1.3%
1983	11.67	-2.1%
1984	12.58	+7.8%
1985	12.75	+1.4%
1986	11.92	-6.5%
1987	11.92	0.0%
1988	12.00	+0.7%
1989	11.67	-2.8%
1990	11.92	+2.1%
1991	11.92	0.0%
1992	12.08	+1.3%
1993	12.50	+3.5%
1994	12.75	+2.0%
1995	13.17	+3.3%
1996	12.75	0.0%
1997	12.75	0.0%
1998	12.75	0.0%
1999	12.58	-1.3%
2000	12.58	0.0%
2001	12.42	-1.3%
2002	12.00	-3.4%
2003	11.75	-2.1%

Sources: South Carolina Department of Corrections Annual Reports, Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.





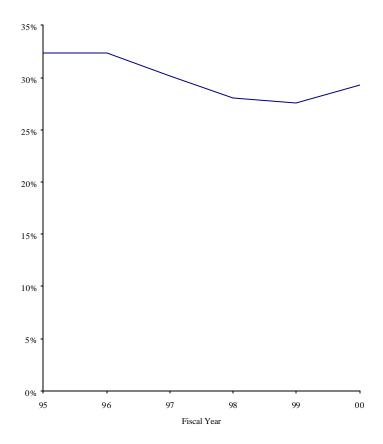
# The recidivism rate for South Carolina inmates decreased from 32.3% for inmates released in FY 1995 to 29.3% for inmates released in FY 2000.

#### **INMATE RECIDIVISM RATE**

Fiscal Year Released	Number of Inmates Released	Recidivism Rate
1995	10,911	32.3%
1996	9,092	32.3%
1997	10,547	30.2%
1998	10,927	28.0%
1999	10,969	27.6%
2000	11,165	29.3%

Notes: Recidivism is defined as an inmate returning to SCDC within three years of release. As a result, there is a three year lag in determining recidivism. It is also important to note that these data do not include inmates released from SCDC who are subsequently incarcerated in a local jail, the penal system of another state or the federal government.

Source: Unpublished data, South Carolina Department of Corrections.



#### South Carolina Inmate Recidivism Rates

### COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

The South Carolina Board of Paroles and Pardons consists of seven members, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. This board is responsible for granting paroles and pardons. The South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services (SCDPPPS) is a cabinet agency, with the director reporting to, and serving at the pleasure of, the Governor.

SCDPPPS is responsible for providing adult community corrections supervision throughout the state. This includes the supervision of those offenders sentenced to probation by the court, paroled by the board or placed on early release programs. SCDPPPS also works closely with the Board of Paroles and Pardons to provide information required for its consideration in granting paroles and pardons.

Note: From 1941 through Fiscal Year 82, SCDPPPS was known as the South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardons. From Fiscal Year 83 through Fiscal Year 85, the agency was known as the South Carolina Department of Parole and Community Corrections. The current name has been in use since FY 86. In the interest of both brevity and thoroughness, source notes referring to data taken from annual reports for those years will reference only SCDPPPS for the corresponding years. Full reference, with appropriate citation for all years, can be found under Sources.

There were 84 offenders in community corrections per 10,000 population in South Carolina in FY 03. Union County had the highest rate with 134.6 offenders under supervision per 10,000 population.

#### COUNTIES BY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS OFFENDER RATES: THE TOP TEN IN FY 03

County	Offenders Per 10,000
Union	134.6
McCormick	117.6
Cherokee	112.9
Greenwood	109.6
Saluda	107.3
Laurens	106.7
Sumter	104.7
Florence	104.2
Bamberg	100.6
Lee	100.5

Note: Based on active offender population. Sources: Unpublished data, SCDPPPS, Unpublished data, Budget and Control Board, Office of Research & Statistical Services.

#### **Offenders Under Community Corrections per 10,000** Population by County, FY 03

Abbeville	83.0	Greenwood	109.6
Aiken	85.2	Hampton	61.5
Allendale	76.4	Horry	73.3
Anderson	90.7	Jasper	89.5
Bamberg	100.6	Kershaw	78.4
Barnwell	90.6	Lancaster	81.8
Beaufort	42.1	Laurens	106.7
Berkeley	72.1	Lee	100.5
Calhoun	74.7	Lexington	72.4
Charleston	89.4	McCormick	117.6
Cherokee	112.9	Marion	66.0
Chester	85.4	Marlboro	87.1
Chesterfield	53.9	Newberry	88.3
Clarendon	87.5	Oconee	77.2
Colleton	71.1	Orangeburg	89.0
Darlington	81.7	Pickens	59.8
Dillon	78.0	Richland	89.5
Dorchester	47.6	Saluda	107.3
Edgefield	94.4	Spartanburg	97.4
Fairfield	74.6	Sumter	104.7
Florence	104.2	Union	134.6
Georgetown	71.4	Williamsburg	81.1
Greenville	89.8	York	79.7

Note: Based on active offender population. Sources: Unpublished data, SCDPPPS, Unpublished data, Budget and Control Board, Office of Research & Statistical Services.

# The number of offenders under community corrections supervision in South Carolina decreased 2.7% from FY 02 to FY 03.

#### COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS OFFENDER POPULATION

Fiscal Year	Number of Offenders	% Change
1978	17,433	
1979	18,162	+4.2%
1980	19,678	+8.3%
1981	19,926	+1.3%
1982	18,133	-9.0%
1983	21,113	+16.4%
1984	21,551	+2.1%
1985	24,535	+13.8%
1986	26,423	+7.7%
1987	27,221	+3.0%
1988	31,814	+16.9%
1989	35,090	+10.3%
1990	37,138	+5.8%
1991	41,806	+12.6%
1992	46,625	+11.5%
1993	50,106	+7.5%
1994	52,325	+4.4%
1995	54,113	+3.4%
1996	55,682	+2.9%
1997	55,769	+0.2%
1998	55,199	-1.0%
1999	54,705	-0.9%
2000	53,608	-2.0%
2001	51,833	-3.3%
2002	51,655	-0.3%
2003	50,284	-2.7%

Note: Based on jurisdictional population, which includes both reporting and non-reporting offenders.

Sources: SCDPPPS Annual Reports, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.

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#### South Carolina Community Corrections Population

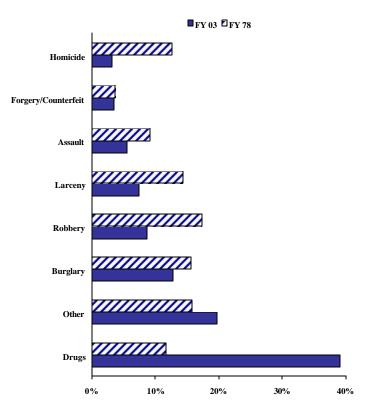
#### Drug offenses accounted for more probation admissions than any other offense category in FY 03. The proportion of probationers sentenced for drug offenses increased from 13.6% in FY 78 to 29.5% in FY 03.

#### OFFENSE DISTRIBUTION FOR PROBATION ADMISSIONS

	FY 78		FY 78 FY 03	
Offense N	umber	Pct.	Number	Pct.
Devices	1 240	12 60/	4 700	20.5%
Drugs	1,249	13.6%	4,799	29.5%
Other	902	9.8%	2,503	15.4%
Traffic	3,207	34.9%	1,722	10.6%
Assault	441	4.8%	1,278	7.9%
Burglary	665	7.2%	1,151	7.1%
Larceny	1,357	14.8%	1,121	6.9%
Fraud	352	3.8%	1,103	6.8%
Forgery/Counterfeit	344	3.7%	971	6.0%
Weapons	252	2.7%	592	3.6%
Stolen Vehicle	206	2.2%	391	2.4%
Obstruct Police	159	1.7%	371	2.3%
Robbery	53	0.6%	239	1.5%
Total	9,187	100.0%	16,241	100.0%

Sources: SCDPPPS FY 78 Annual Report, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.

#### South Carolina Parole Admissions by Offense



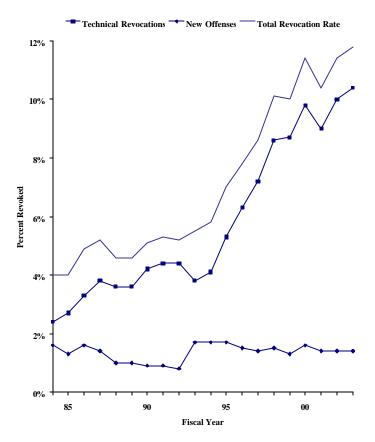
## The revocation rate for probationers during FY 03 was 11.8%.

#### **PROBATION REVOCATION RATES**

Fiscal Year	Technical Offenses	New Offenses	Total Rate
1983	N/A	N/A	3.9%
1984	2.4%	1.6%	4.0%
1985	2.7%	1.3%	4.0%
1986	3.3%	1.6%	4.9%
1987	3.8%	1.4%	5.2%
1988	3.6%	1.0%	4.6%
1989	3.6%	1.0%	4.6%
1990	4.2%	0.9%	5.1%
1991	4.4%	0.9%	5.3%
1992	4.4%	0.8%	5.2%
1993	3.8%	1.7%	5.5%
1994	4.1%	1.7%	5.8%
1995	5.3%	1.7%	7.0%
1996	6.3%	1.5%	7.8%
1997	7.2%	1.4%	8.6%
1998	8.6%	1.5%	10.1%
1999	8.7%	1.3%	10.0%
2000	9.8%	1.6%	11.4%
2001	9.0%	1.4%	10.4%
2002	10.0%	1.4%	11.4%
2003	10.4%	1.4%	11.8%

Note: A breakdown of revocation rates for FY 83 is not available. The term technical offense refers to offenses that are violations of the terms of supervision but not criminal offenses.

Sources: SCDPPPS Annual Reports, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.



#### **South Carolina Probation Revocation Rate**

#### In FY 03, 50.7% of probation admissions were 30 years of age or older. In FY 85, 41.6% of probation admissions were 30 years of age or older.

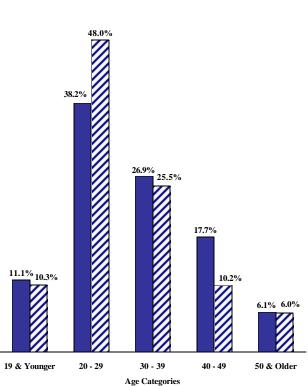
#### **PROBATION ADMISSIONS BY AGE**

	FY 85 FY 03		FY 03	
Age Group	Number	Pct.	Number	Pct.
Under 17	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
17 - 19	856	10.3%	1,758	10.9%
20 - 24	2,142	25.8%	3,627	22.4%
25 - 29	1,841	22.2%	2,551	15.8%
30 - 34	1,301	15.7%	2,288	14.1%
35 - 39	812	9.8%	2,071	12.8%
40 - 44	539	6.5%	1,708	10.6%
45 - 49	302	3.6%	1,153	7.1%
50+	499	6.0%	985	6.1%
Total	8,292	100.0%	16,177	100.0%

Notes: There were 64 probation admissions in FY 03 for which age data were not available.

Sources: SCDPPPS Annual Report, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.

## South Carolina Probation Admissions by Age



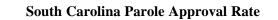
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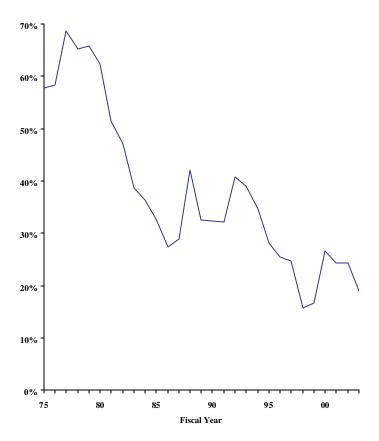
# South Carolina's parole approval rate in FY 03 was 19%.

Fiscal Year	Hearings	Approvals	Rate
1975	1,317	762	57.9%
1976	1,448	845	58.4%
1977	1,400	962	68.7%
1978	1,895	1,234	65.1%
1979	1,780	1,172	65.8%
1980	2,220	1,387	62.5%
1981	2,908	1,498	51.5%
1982	2,604	1,224	47.0%
1983	3,516	1,359	38.7%
1984	3,479	1,269	36.5%
1985	4,115	1,349	32.8%
1986	3,255	894	27.5%
1987	3,573	1,031	28.9%
1988	3,065	1,289	42.1%
1989	3,292	1,070	32.5%
1990	4,064	1,317	32.4%
1991	4,091	1,319	32.2%
1992	4,686	1,906	40.7%
1993	4,563	1,785	39.1%
1994	5,227	1,813	34.7%
1995	5,435	1,527	28.1%
1996	5,791	1,469	25.4%
1997	5,969	1,472	24.7%
1998	7,106	1,113	15.7%
1999	5,503	915	16.6%
2000	6,440	1,714	26.6%
2001	6,373	1,553	24.4%
2002	6,367	1,547	24.3%
2003	6,632	1,260	19.0%

#### PAROLE HEARINGS SUMMARY

Sources: SCDPPPS Annual Report, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.





# In FY 03, 39.1% of the inmates paroled in South Carolina had been incarcerated for drug law violations, compared to 11.7% of inmates paroled in FY 78.

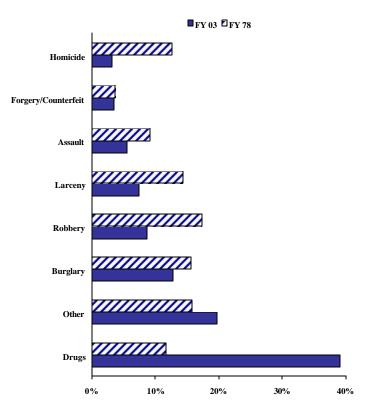
#### OFFENSE DISTRIBUTION FOR PAROLE ADMISSIONS

	FY 78		FY 03	
Offense Nu	umber	Pct.	Number	Pct.
Drugs	144	11.7%	463	39.1%
Other	195	15.8%	233	19.7%
Burglary	193	15.6%	152	12.8%
Robbery	213	17.3%	103	8.7%
Larceny	176	14.3%	87	7.4%
Assault	112	9.1%	65	5.5%
Forgery/Counterfeit	46	3.7%	42	3.6%
Homicide	155	12.6%	38	3.2%
Total	1,234	100.0%	1,183	100.0%

Note: Parole approvals are not equal to parole admissions for two reasons. Inmates may be approved for parole on the basis of conditions which, if not met, will result in their not being released to parole supervision, and parole admissions include inmates supervised under early release programs that do not require approval by the parole board.

Sources: SCDPPPS FY 78 Annual Report, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.

#### South Carolina Parole Admissions by Offense



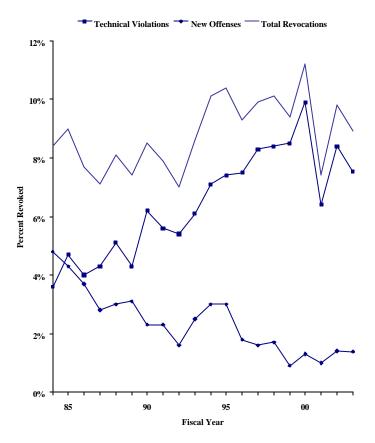
# The parole revocation rate in South Carolina was 8.9% in FY 03.

#### PAROLE REVOCATION RATES

1983 N/A N/A	8.4%
1984 3.6% 4.8%	8.4%
1985 4.7% 4.3%	9.0%
1986 4.0% 3.7%	7.7%
1987 4.3% 2.8%	7.1%
1988 5.1% 3.0%	8.1%
1989 4.3% 3.1%	7.4%
1990 6.2% 2.3%	8.5%
1991 5.6% 2.3%	7.9%
1992 5.4% 1.6%	7.0%
1993 6.1% 2.5%	8.6%
1994 7.1% 3.0%	10.1%
1995 7.4% 3.0%	10.4%
1996 7.5% 1.8%	9.3%
1997 8.3% 1.6%	9.9%
1998 8.4% 1.7%	10.1%
1999 8.5% 0.9%	9.4%
2000 9.9% 1.3%	11.2%
2001 6.4% 1.0%	7.4%
2002 8.4% 1.4%	9.8%
2003 7.5% 1.4%	8.9%

Note: A breakdown of revocation rates for FY 83 is not available. The term technical offense refers to offenses that are violations of the terms of supervision but not criminal offenses.

Sources: SCDPPPS Annual Reports, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.



### South Carolina Parole Revocations

In FY 85, 46.7% of parole admissions were 30 years of age or older. In FY 03, 62.9% of parole admissions were 30 years of age or older.

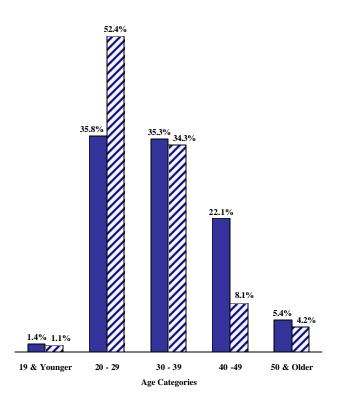
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Age Group	Number	Pct.	Number	Pct.
Under 17	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
17 - 19	14	1.1%	16	1.4%
20 - 24	269	21.5%	170	14.5%
25 - 29	387	30.9%	251	21.4%
30 - 34	279	22.3%	217	18.5%
35 - 39	151	12.1%	198	16.9%
40 - 44	70	5.6%	165	14.0%
45 - 49	31	2.5%	95	8.1%
50+	52	4.2%	63	5.4%
Total	1,253	100.0%	1,175	100.0%

#### PAROLE ADMISSIONS BY AGE

Note: There were 8 parole admissions in FY 03 for which age data were not available. Sources: SCDPPPS FY 85 Annual Report, Unpublished data, SCDPPPS.

## South Carolina Parole Admissions by Age

■<sub>FY 03</sub> □<sub>FY 85</sub>



# JUVENILE ARREST RATES

Besides being a gauge of law enforcement's response to crime, arrest rates provide reliable data concerning the apprehended offenders. sex and race of age, Consequently, arrest rates by age provide a good Uniform Crime measure of juvenile delinquency. Reporting procedures require that an arrest be counted on each separate occasion a person is taken into custody, notified, or cited. As a result, annual arrest figures do not measure the number of individual juveniles arrested, since one juvenile might be arrested several times during a year (Crime in the United States, FBI). In keeping with state law which sets the age of adult responsibility in most criminal matters at seventeen years of age, arrest rates were calculated on the basis of the estimated juvenile (age 0 through 16) population for each year in question. As noted earlier, arrest data are not available for 2001. Consequently, there is a gap at that point on each graph.

# South Carolina's crime index arrest rate for juveniles decreased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003 and increased 2.8% from 1976 to 2003.

**CRIME INDEX:** The crime index consists of murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, breaking or entering, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

### JUVENILE CRIME INDEX ARREST RATE

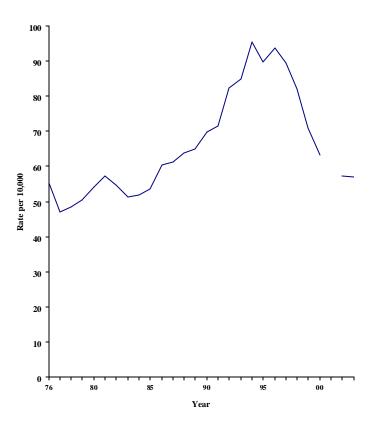
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	5,507	57.17
2003	5,496	56.93
% Change	-0.2%	-0.4%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	4,999	55.37
2003	5,496	56.93
% Change	+9.9%	+2.8%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Crime Index

South Carolina's juvenile arrest rate for violent crimes decreased 1.3% from 2002 to 2003. The juvenile arrest rate for violent crimes has increased 164.8% since 1976.

**VIOLENT CRIME:** Violent crime consists of murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault, and involves the element of personal confrontation between the victim and offender.

#### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR VIOLENT CRIMES

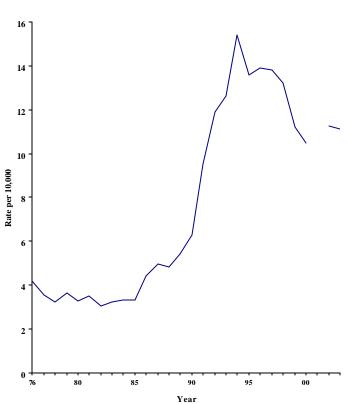
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	1,086	11.27
2003	1,074	11.12
% Change	-1.1%	-1.3%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	379	4.20
2003	1,074	11.12
% Change	+183.4%	+164.8%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



### South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Violent Crime

# Eleven juveniles were arrested for murder in 2003, one less than in 2002.

**MURDER:** Murder is the willful killing of one person by another. The classification of this offense is based on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, coroner, jury or other judicial body. Deaths caused by negligence, suicide, accident or justifiable homicides are not included.

### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR MURDER

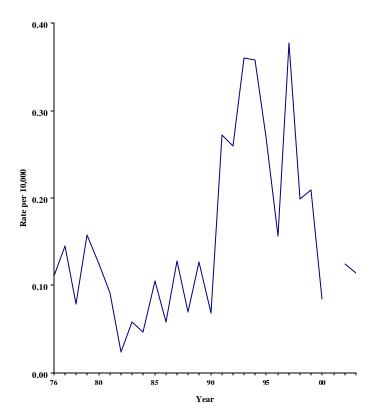
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	12	0.12
2003	11	0.11
% Change	-8.3%	-8.3%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	10	0.11
2003	11	0.11
% Change	+10.0%	0.0%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina's juvenile arrest rate for rape decreased 37.3% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1976, the juvenile arrest rate for rape has increased 14.6%.

**RAPE:** Forcible rape is the carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and against their will. Assaults or attempts to commit rape by force or threat of force are also included; however statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are excluded.

#### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR RAPE

#### **ANNUAL SUMMARY**

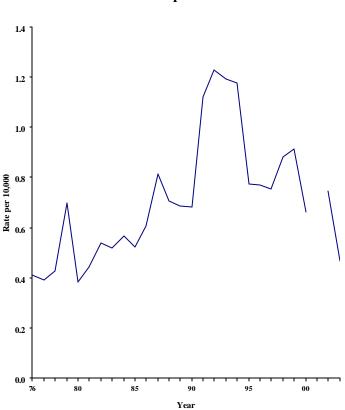
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	72	0.75
2003	45	0.47
% Change	-37.5%	-37.3%

#### MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Arrests	Kate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	37	0.41
2003	45	0.47
% Change	+21.6%	+14.6%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



# South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Rape

South Carolina's juvenile arrest rate for robbery decreased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1976, the juvenile arrest rate for robbery has increased 50%.

**ROBBERY:** Robbery is the taking or attempted taking of anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or the threat of force, by violence, or by putting the victim in fear.

#### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR ROBBERY

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

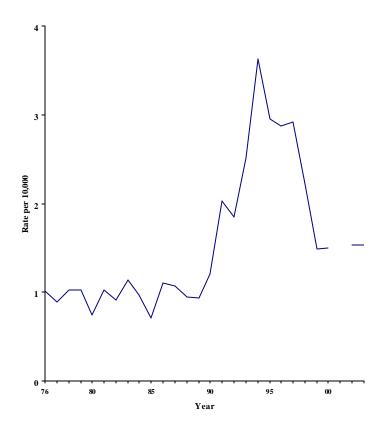
Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	148	1.54
2003	148	1.53
% Change	0.0%	-0.6%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	92	1.02
2003	148	1.53
% Change	+60.9%	+50.0%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Robbery



South Carolina's arrest rate of juveniles for aggravated assault increased 1.6% from 2002 to 2003. Since 1976, the juvenile arrest rate for aggravated assault has increased 238.7%.

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT:** Aggravated assault is an unlawful attack for the purpose of inflicting serious bodily injury. This assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Attempted aggravated assaults are also included.

### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

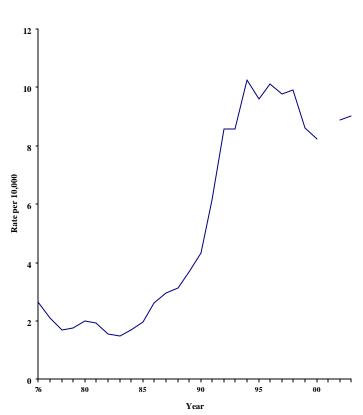
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	854	8.87
2003	870	9.01
% Change	+1.9%	+1.6%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	240	2.66
2003	870	9.01
% Change	+262.5%	+238.7%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



# South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Aggravated Assault

South Carolina's 2003 juvenile arrest rate for property crimes represents less than a 1% decrease from 2002, and a 10.5% decrease since 1976.

**PROPERTY CRIME:** Property crimes include the offenses of breaking or entering, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR PROPERTY CRIMES

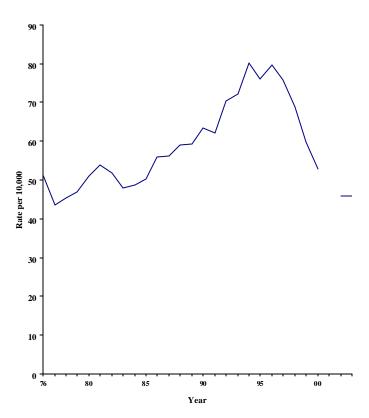
# ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	4,421	45.90
2003	4,422	45.80
% Change	<+0.1%	-0.2%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	4,620	51.17
2003	4,422	45.80
% Change	-4.3%	-10.5%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Property Crime

South Carolina's breaking or entering arrest rate for juveniles increased less than 1% from 2002 to 2003. The breaking or entering rate has decreased 46.3% since 1976.

**BREAKING OR ENTERING:** Breaking or entering is the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. The use of force to gain entry is not required to classify an offense as breaking or entering.

#### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR BREAKING OR ENTERING

#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

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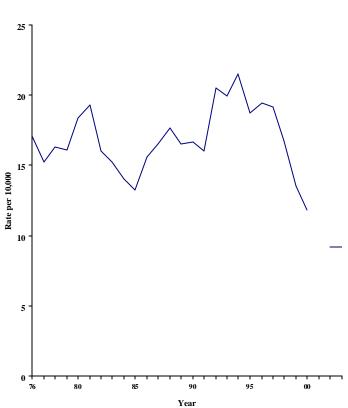
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Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	883	9.17
2003	886	9.18
% Change	+0.3%	+0.1%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Kate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	1,543	17.09
2003	886	9.18
% Change	-42.6%	-46.3%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Breaking or Entering

# South Carolina's larceny arrest rate for juveniles increased 2.4% from 2002 to 2003. The juvenile arrest rate for larceny has increased 12.6% since 1976.

**LARCENY:** Larceny is the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. It includes crimes such as shoplifting, pocket-picking, purse snatching, thefts from motor vehicles, thefts of motor vehicle parts, and accessories in which no use of force, violence or fraud occurs. This crime category does not include embezzle ment, con games, forgery, worthless checks, or motor vehicle theft.

#### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR LARCENY

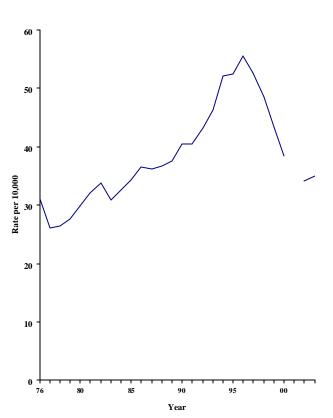
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	3,292	34.18
2003	3,379	35.00
% Change	+2.6%	+2.4%

#### MULTI-YEAR TREND

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	2,807	31.09
2003	3,379	35.00
% Change	+20.4%	+12.6%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Larceny

# The juvenile arrest rate for motor vehicle theft decreased 36.1% from 2002 to 2003, and has decreased 45.5% since 1976.

**MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT:** Motor vehicle theft is the stealing or attempted stealing of a motor vehicle, including automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor-scooters, snowmobiles, etc. This definition excludes the unauthorized taking of motor vehicles for temporary use by those having lawful access.

### JUVENILE ARREST RATE FOR MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

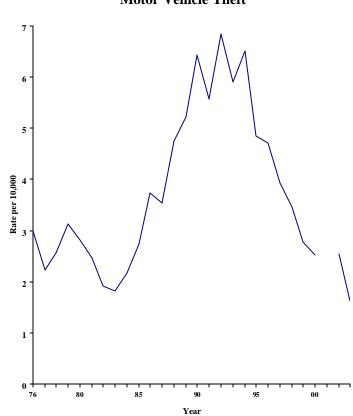
#### ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
2002	246	2.55
2003	157	1.63
% Change	-36.2%	-36.1%

#### **MULTI-YEAR TREND**

Year	Number of Arrests	Rate Per 10,000 Juveniles
1976	270	2.99
2003	157	1.63
% Change	-41.9%	-45.5%

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.



South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rate for Motor Vehicle Theft

## South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Count

Agg.							
Year N	Iurder	Rape R	obbery A	ssault	B&E L	arceny	MVT
1976	10	37	92	240	1 5 4 2	2 807	270
1970	10	37	92 80	240 189	1,543 1,369	2,807 2,331	270
1977	15	33 38	80 92	189	1,369	2,351	201
1978	14		92 91	150	1,433	2,334 2,447	228
1979	14	02 34	66	178	1,423	2,638	278
1980	8	34 39	90	178	1,623	2,658	249
1981	8 2	39 47	90 80	136	1,319	2,808	158
1982	2 5	47	80 99	128	1,319	2,073	138
1983	3 4	43 49	99 84	128	1,208	2,800	235
1984	4 9	49 45	64 61	147	1,140	2,942 3,140	233 320
1985	5	43 52	95	225	1,337	3,140	320
1980	11	32 70	93 92	223 250	1,421 1,528	3,114	410
1987	6	70 61	92 82	269	1,328	3,282	410
1988	11	60	82 82	322	1,443	3,282 3,546	430 563
1989	6	60 60	82 106	322 380	1,400	3,540	493
1990	24	99	179	542	1,410	3,826	606
1991	24	109	179	760	1,813	4,111	524
1992	23 32	109	223	760	1,774	4,111	524 581
1993	32 32	100	324	915	1,917	4,673	433
1995	24	69	263	856	1,670	4,673	433
1995	14	69	203 257	907	1,070	4,972	422
1990	34	68	253	882	1,739	4,972	355
1998	18	80	201	897	1,724	4,399	314
1998	19	83	135	781	1,230	3,939	253
2000	8	63	133	781	1,230	3,663	233 241
2000	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,120 NA	5,005 NA	NA
2001	12	72	148	854	883	3,292	246
2002	12	45	148	834 870	885	3,292	157
2005	11	45	140	070	000	5,519	157

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.

## South Carolina Juvenile Arrest Rates

Agg.							
Year Murder		Rape Robbery Assault		B&E Larceny		MVT	
1976	.11	.41	1.02	2.66	17.09	31.09	2.99
1977	.15	.39	.89	2.11	15.28	26.02	2.24
1978	.08	.43	1.03	1.77	16.06	26.40	2.56
1979	.16	.70	1.03	1.77	16.06	27.62	3.14
1980	.12	.38	.75	2.01	18.33	29.80	2.81
1981	.09	.44	1.03	1.94	19.27	32.01	2.47
1982	.02	.54	.92	1.56	16.01	33.83	1.92
1983	.06	.52	1.15	1.48	15.26	30.92	1.83
1984	.05	.57	.98	1.71	14.02	32.51	2.17
1985	.10	.52	.71	1.98	13.28	34.27	2.74
1986	.06	.61	1.11	2.62	15.60	36.63	3.73
1987	.13	.81	1.07	2.95	16.52	36.21	3.53
1988	.07	.71	.95	3.11	17.68	36.64	4.74
1989	.13	.69	.94	3.69	16.53	37.60	5.22
1990	.07	.68	1.21	4.33	16.65	40.45	6.42
1991	.27	1.12	2.03	6.13	16.02	40.43	5.58
1992	.26	1.23	1.85	8.57	20.47	43.15	6.84
1993	.36	1.19	2.51	8.57	19.96	46.26	5.90
1994	.36	1.18	3.63	10.25	21.48	52.08	6.51
1995	.27	.77	2.95	9.61	18.74	52.45	4.86
1996	.16	.77	2.87	10.13	19.42	55.53	4.71
1997	.38	.75	2.92	9.79	19.13	52.64	3.94
1998	.20	.88	2.22	9.90	16.74	48.57	3.47
1999	.21	.91	1.49	8.61	13.56	43.42	2.79
2000	.08	.66	1.50	8.22	11.82	38.44	2.53
2001	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2002	.12	.75	1.54	8.87	9.17	34.18	2.55
2003	.11	.47	1.53	9.01	9.18	35.00	1.63

Note: Arrest data for 2001 are not available.

Source: Crime in South Carolina, State Law Enforcement Division.

# **RESPONSES TO JUVENILE CRIME**

The South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) serves as the state's designated juvenile justice agency. The Family Court is the arm of the state's judicial system that disposes of most juvenile cases. DJJ supports the Family Court system by providing intake services, diversion programs, and probation and aftercare supervision. DJJ operates the Reception and Evaluation (R&E) Center as well as all the state's long term correctional facilities. The R&E Center temporarily holds juveniles committed by the Family Court between adjudicatory and dispositional hearings the for diagnostic testing and comprehensive treatment recommendations. DJJ also operates programs designed to serve as non-institutional alternatives.

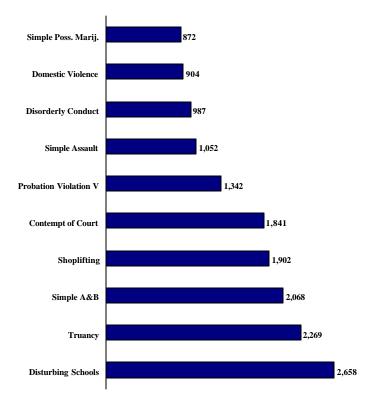
# Disturbing schools was the most frequently reported offense among juvenile cases referred to solicitors in FY 03.

#### TEN MOST FREQUENT OFFENSES FOR JUVENILE REFFERALS FY 03

Offense	Number	Percentage
Disturbing Schools	2,658	9.2%
Truancy	2,269	7.8%
Simple A&B	2,068	7.1%
Shoplifting	1,902	6.6%
Contempt of Court	1,841	6.3%
Probation Violation V	1,342	4.6%
Simple Assault	1,052	3.6%
Disorderly Conduct	987	3.4%
Domestic Violence	904	3.1%
Simp le Poss. Marij.	872	3.0%
All other offenses	13,136	45.2%
Total Offenses	29,031	100.0%

Notes: Probation Violation V refers to probation violations in cases where the original offense was a minor, misdemeanor level crime. The total includes all offenses, not just the ten most frequent as presented here.

Source: South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Report FY 2002-03.



#### Top Ten Juvenile Offenses Reported to Solicitors FY 03

## South Carolina's delinquency rate in FY 03 was 72 per 1,000 children. Marion County had the highest delinquency rate with 142.9 per 1,000.

#### COUNTIES BY DELINQUENCY REFERRAL RATES: THE TEN HIGHEST FY 03

County	Rate per 1,000
Marion	142.9
Horry	123.8
Allendale	121.6
Darlington	110.6
Union	104.7
Cherokee	102.4
Orangeburg	100.9
Lancaster	98.3
Charleston	98.1
Greenwood	95.6

Note: Rate is expressed in terms of number of children per 1,000, ages 10-16. Source: South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Report FY. 2002-03.

#### Juvenile Delinquency Processing Rate per 1,000 by County, FY 03

Abbeville	42.9	Greenwood	95.6
Aiken	63.2	Hampton	39.2
Allendale	121.6	Horry	123.8
Anderson	55.0	Jasper	72.8
Bamberg	61.6	Kershaw	58.1
Barnwell	75.9	Lancaster	98.3
Beaufort	55.4	Laurens	61.1
Berkeley	94.3	Lee	28.2
Calhoun	56.6	Lexington	70.9
Charleston	98.1	McCormick	81.3
Cherokee	102.4	Marion	142.9
Chester	35.7	Marlboro	77.1
Chesterfield	60.2	Newberry	49.6
Clarendon	53.2	Oconee	32.8
Colleton	87.2	Orangeburg	100.9
Darlington	110.6	Pickens	63.8
Dillon	72.5	Richland	44.6
Dorchester	75.5	Saluda	29.8
Edgefield	45.2	Spartanburg	47.2
Fairfield	32.5	Sumter	38.6
Florence	91.5	Union	104.7
Georgetown	86.8	Williamsburg	40.4
Greenville	67.8	York	82.4

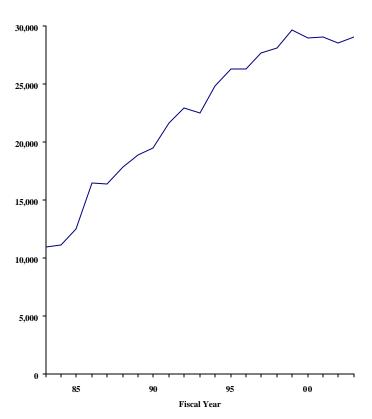
Source: South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Report FY 2002-03.

#### A total of 29,031 juvenile cases were referred to South Carolina solicitors in FY 03, representing a 1.7% increase from FY 02.

#### **REFERRALS TO THE SOLICITOR**

Fiscal Year	Cases Referred	Change From Prior Year
1983	10,948	
1984	11,127	+16.4%
1985	12,507	+12.4%
1986	16,436	+31.4%
1987	16,382	-0.3%
1988	17,856	+9.0%
1989	18,821	+5.4%
1990	19,435	+3.3%
1991	21,608	+11.2%
1992	22,883	+5.9%
1993	22,505	-1.7%
1994	24,767	+10.1%
1995	26,246	+6.0%
1996	26,276	+0.1%
1997	27,690	+5.4%
1998	28,057	+1.3%
1999	29,670	+5.7%
2000	28,969	-2.4%
2001	29,062	+0.3%
2002	28,550	-1.8%
2003	29,031	+1.7%

Sources: South Carolina Department of Youth Services Annual Statistical Reports, South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Reports.



#### Juvenile Cases Referred to South Carolina Solicitors

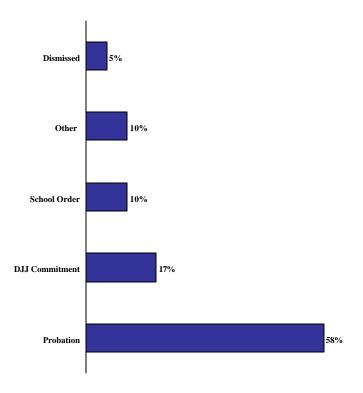
#### Probation was the most common disposition in South Carolina's family courts during FY 03. Fifty-eight percent of juvenile cases resulted in probation supervision.

#### JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS IN FAMILY COURT FY 03

# DispositionPercentageProbation58%DJJ Commitment17%School Order10%Other10%Dismissed5%

Source: South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Report FY 2002-03.

#### Judicial Dispositions in South Carolina Family Court, FY 03

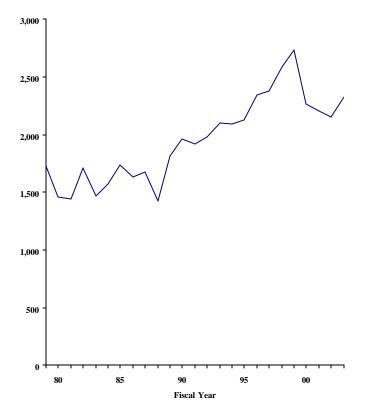


#### The number of admissions to the DJJ Reception and Evaluation Center increased 8.3% from FY 02 to FY 03.

#### RECEPTION & EVALUATION CENTER ADMISSIONS

Fiscal Year	Admissions	Change From Prior Year
1979	1,725	
1980	1,460	-15.4%
1981	1,439	+1.4%
1982	1,709	+18.8%
1983	1,466	-14.2%
1984	1,573	+7.3%
1985	1,733	+10.2%
1986	1,633	-5.8%
1987	1,677	+2.7%
1988	1,422	-15.2%
1989	1,810	+27.3%
1990	1,966	+8.6%
1991	1,918	-2.4%
1992	1,974	+2.9%
1993	2,103	+6.5%
1994	2,093	-0.5%
1995	2,126	+1.6%
1996	2,343	+10.2%
1997	2,380	+1.6%
1998	2,582	+8.5%
1999	2,734	+5.9%
2000	2,266	-17.1%
2001	2,203	-2.8%
2002	2,152	-2.3%
2003	2,330	+8.3%

Sources: South Carolina Department of Youth Services Annual Reports, South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Reports.



#### Admissions to South Carolina's Juvenile Reception & Evaluation Center

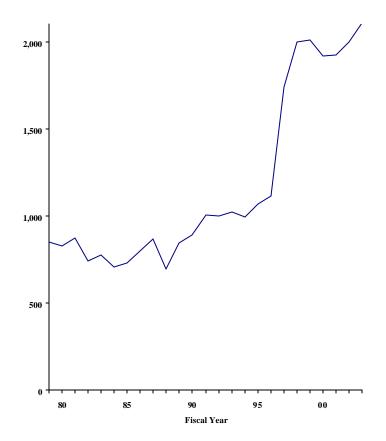
### In FY 03, there were 2,109 admissions to DJJ correctional facilities, representing a 5.5% increase over FY 02.

#### **INSTITUTIONAL ADMISSIONS**

Fiscal Year	Admissions	Change From Prior Year
1979	853	
1980	825	-3.3%
1981	876	+6.2%
1982	743	-15.2%
1983	776	+4.4%
1984	709	-8.6%
1985	730	+3.0%
1986	799	+9.5%
1987	866	-8.4%
1988	697	-19.5%
1989	847	+21.5%
1990	888	+4.8%
1991	1,006	+13.3%
1992	997	-0.9%
1993	1,022	+2.5%
1994	994	-2.7%
1995	1,071	+7.7%
1996	1,116	+4.2%
1997	1,741	+56.0%
1998	1,999	+14.8%
1999	2,008	+0.5%
2000	1,919	-4.4%
2001	1,922	+0.2%
2002	1,999	+4.0%
2003	2,109	+5.5%

Sources: South Carolina Department of Youth Services Annual Statistical Reports, South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Statistical Reports.

**Admissions to DJJ Institutions** 



#### CRIMINAL JUSTICE FISCAL DATA

This provides section information concerning expenditures, appropriations and employment for three levels of government involved the administration of justice in South Carolina: state, county and municipal. It is important to note that a variety of agencies have as part of their mission, criminal justice related functions, and that parts of the mission of some criminal justice agencies might be considered to be outside the realm of criminal justice. Additionally, federal criminal justice agencies operate in South Carolina, and provide federal funding to state and local units of government for fighting crime and administering justice. This publication does not attempt to capture and define all fiscal data related to every criminal justice function, but does attempt to provide a broad overview of criminal justice spending by presenting financial data relating to agencies that are primarily those involved in administering justice and enforcing the law. The most recent data available for state appropriations cover FY 04 - 05. The most recent data available for county and municipal expenditures cover FY 00 - 01.

#### The Department of Corrections had the largest appropriation among the state's criminal justice agencies for FY 05.

#### STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS FY 05

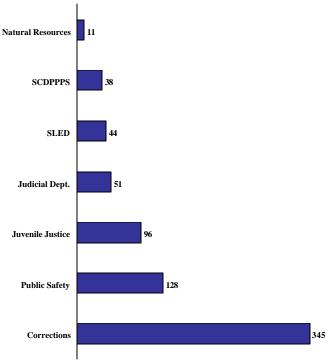
#### Agency

**Appropriations** 

Corrections	345
Public Safety	128
Juvenile Justice	96
Judicial Dept.	51
SLED	44
SCDPPPS	38
Natural Resources	11

Notes: Appropriations represent millions of dollars, rounded to the nearest million. Department of Natural Resources only includes appropriations for law enforcement. It is also important to note that appropriations do not take into account budget cuts that occur during the fiscal year. Source: 2004 Appropriations Act.

#### State Criminal Justice Agency Appropriations FY 05



Millions of Dollars

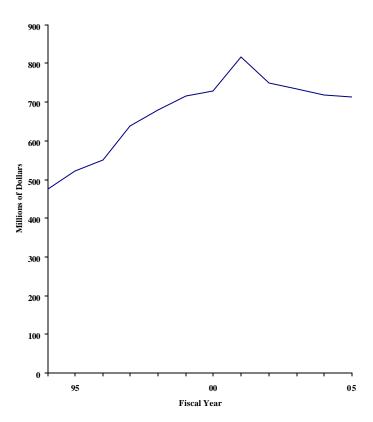
### Appropriations for state criminal justice agencies decreased less than 1% from FY 04 to FY 05.

#### STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS

Fiscal Year	Appropriation	Change From Prior Year
1994	\$474,547,128	
1995	\$520,919,842	+9.8%
1996	\$550,791,920	+5.7%
1997	\$638,229,999	+15.9%
1998	\$679,189,844	+6.4%
1999	\$716,322,483	+5.5%
2000	\$729,442,252	+1.8%
2001	\$816,744,939	+12.0%
2002	\$749,692,597	-8.2%
2003	\$733,792,784	-2.1%
2004	\$718,275,084	-2.1%
2005	\$713,799,143	-0.6%

Notes: This includes appropriations for the Department of Corrections, the Department of Public Safet y, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Probation, Parole & Pardon Services, SLED, the Judicial Department and the law enforcement appropriations for the Department of Natural Resources. Appropriations for the Department of Motor Vehicles were subtracted from Department of Public Safety totals to more accurately reflect current organizational structure. It is important to note that appropriations do not take into account budget cuts that occurred during the fiscal year.

Sources: Appropriations Acts, 1993 through 2004.



State Criminal Justice Agency Appropriations

#### The Department of Corrections had the largest authorized work force among criminal justice agencies for FY 05, with 7,493 positions.

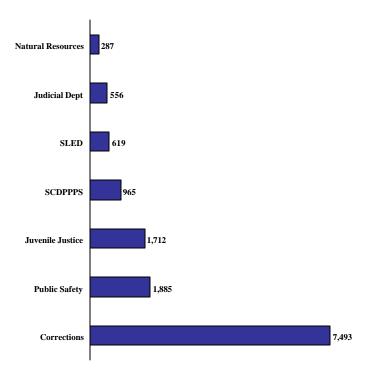
#### STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE EMPLOYMENT FY 05

Agency	Positions
Corrections	7,493
Public Safety	1,885
Juvenile Justice	1,712
SCDPPPS	965
SLED	619
Judicial Dept.	556
Natural Resources	287

Notes: Full time equivalent positions are rounded to the nearest whole number. Department of Natural Resources full time equivalent positions include only law enforcement positions. It is important to note that all authorized positions are not necessarily filled.

Source: 2004 Appropriations Act.

#### Authorized Positions for State Criminal Justice Agencies, FY 05

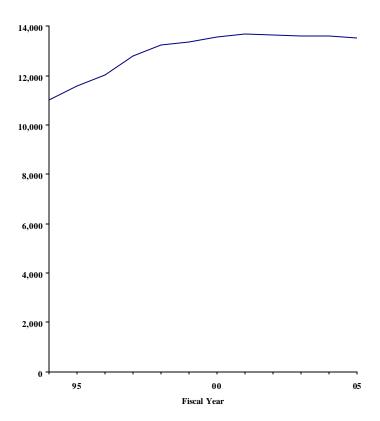


#### From FY 94 to FY 05, the authorized number of positions for state criminal justice agencies increased 22.7%. From FY 04 to FY 05 the number of positions decreased less than 1%.

#### STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE EMPLOYMENT

Fiscal Year	Positions	Change From Prior Year
1994	11,018	
1995	11,594	+5.2%
1996	12,013	+3.6%
1997	12,795	+6.5%
1998	13,267	+3.7%
1999	13,369	+0.8%
2000	13,555	+1.4%
2001	13,697	+1.0%
2002	13,667	-0.2%
2003	13,601	-0.5%
2004	13,598	<-0.1%
2005	13,517	-0.6%

Notes: This includes authorized positions for the Department of Corrections, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Probation, Parole & Pardon Services, SLED, the Judicial Department, and law enforcement positions within the Department of Natural Resources. Positions for the Department of Motor Vehicles were subtracted from Department of Public Safety totals to more accurately reflect current organizational structure. As previously noted, not all authorized positions are necessarily filled. Sources: Appropriations Acts, 1993 through 2004.



#### Authorized Positions for State Criminal Justice Agencies

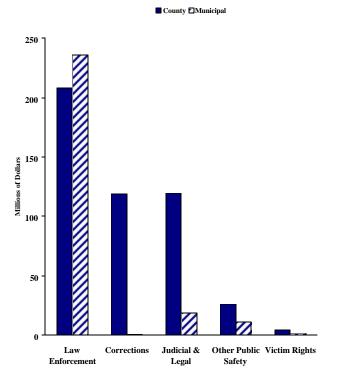
#### Both county and municipal governments spent more on law enforcement than any other criminal justice function.

#### LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE EXPENDITURES IN SOUTH CAROLINA: FY 01

Function	County	Municipal
Corrections	119.2	0.8
Judicial & Legal	119.4	18.3
Law Enforcement	208.5	236.1
Other Public Safety	26.0	11.2
Victim Rights	4.6	1.4
Total	477.5	267.8

Notes: Expenditures represent millions of dollars, rounded to the nearest hundred thousand dollars. Column sums may not total due to rounding. Sources: Annual County Financial Report, FY 2000-01, Office of Research & Statistics, Budget & Control Board. Annual Municipal Financial Report, FY 2000-01, Office of Research & Statistics, Budget & Control Board.

#### County and Municipal Criminal Justice Expenditures, FY 01



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### Law enforcement is the largest area of criminal justice employment for both county and municipal governments.

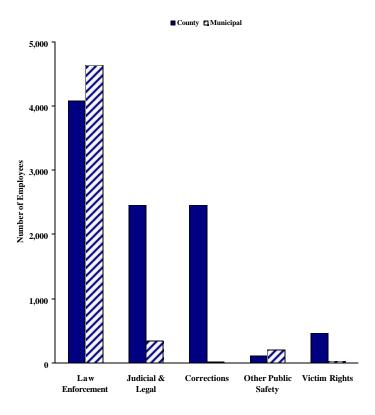
#### LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE EMPLOYMENT IN SOUTH CAROLINA: FY 01

Function	County	Municipal
Judicial & Legal	2,451	352
Corrections	2,456	19
Law Enforcement	4,076	4,629
Other Public Safety	464	205
Victim Rights	115	32
Total	9,560	5,237

Note: Number of employees is rounded to the nearest whole number (part time employees are often represented as fractions of an employee).

Sources: Annual County Financial Report, FY 2000-01, Office of Research & Statistics, Budget & Control board. Annual Municipal Financial Report, FY 2000-01, Office of Research & Statistics, Budget & Control Board.

#### County and Municipal Criminal Justice Employment, FY 01



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