Crime — in — Connecticut

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Introduction

The data in this report are the number of crimes <u>reported</u> by all Connecticut law enforcement agencies to the Crimes Analysis Unit of the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, as part of the Uniform Crime Reporting program of the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) by March 15, 2025. The data can be found at ct.beyond2020.com/. Unreported or unfounded crimes are not included in this report, neither are incidents containing crimes that have not passed the FBI's audit for completeness or accuracy.

The number of crimes is calculated using the FBI's units of count. If the offense is a **Crime Against Persons**, then the count is set to the number of victims. If the offense is a **Crime Against Property**, then the count is set to one crime per distinct operation unless the offense is Motor Vehicle Theft, then the count is set to attempted Motor Vehicle Thefts plus the number of Stolen Motor Vehicles. If the offense is a **Crime Against Society**, the count is set to one crime per occurrence.

All crimes are classified based on law enforcement investigation in accordance with the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) offense definitions and are not necessarily identical to the Connecticut General Statutes Penal Code or local ordinances. NIBRS divides offenses into two categories, Group A Offenses and Group B Arrest-Only Offenses. Group A Offenses are considered more consequential offenses and are reported whether an arrest is made or not. Group B Offenses are only reported when an arrest is made.

Note(s):

- 1. These data are preliminary data. Although all agencies have submitted their data for quarter being reported, some investigations may still be on going and the results of such investigations may affect the data in this report.
- 2. The definition for Rape was revised by the FBI in 2023 to include the offenses of Sodomy and Sexual Assault with an Object. Those offenses along with Rape have been rolled into Rape (2023 revised) to accommodate the change. Human Trafficking, Gambling, and Prostitution crimes have been aggregated as well as they occur in low numbers.
- 3. When the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Program officially launched in 1930 with the Summary Reporting System (SRS), national crime data was aggregated for eight Index Offenses which were murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. In 1987, the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) was developed from a study on improving crimes statistics. The FBI nationally retired the SRS on January 1, 2021 and adopted NIBRS as the primary system for crime statistics collection. Connecticut has been 100 percent compliant in reporting crime data via NIBRS since that time.
- 4. Many of the comparisons and crime counts refer to quarters of time. These quarters represent three month sections of the calendar year:

Quarter One (Q1): January, February, and March

Quarter Two (Q2): April, May, June

Quarter Three (Q3): July, August, September Quarter Four (Q4): October, November, December

Statewide Incident-Based Reporting Overview

Q1-Q4 2024 Percentage Changes compared to the same period in 2023



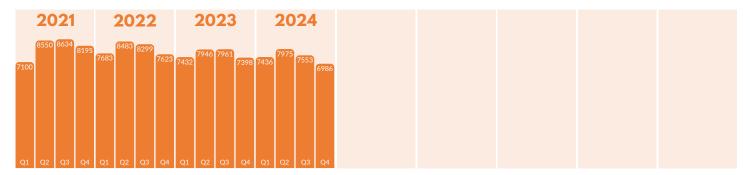
Crimes Against Persons include Murder/Nonnegligent Manslaughter, Negligent Manslaughter, Kidnapping/Abduction, Assault Offenses (3), Sex Offenses (3), and Human Trafficking Offenses (2). In the most recent quarter (Q4) of 2024, there were 6,986 Crimes Against Persons, which is a 5.6% decrease from Q4 2023. So far in 2024, there were 29,950 Crimes Against Persons reported, which is a 2.6% decrease compared to the same period in 2023.

Crimes Against Property include Arson, Bribery, Burglary/Breaking and Entering, Counterfeiting/Forgery, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property, Embezzlement, Extortion/Blackmail, Fraud Offenses (7), Larceny/Theft Offenses (8), Motor Vehicle Theft, Robbery, and Stolen Property Offenses. In the most recent quarter (Q4) of 2024, there were 19,511 Crimes Against Property, which is a 17.2% decrease from Q4 2023. So far in 2024, there were 82,408 Crimes Against Property reported, which is a 16.9% decrease compared to the same period in 2023.

Crimes Against Society include Animal Cruelty, Drug/Narcotic Violations, Drug Equipment Violations, Gambling Offenses (4), Pornography/Obscene Material, Prostitution Offenses (3), and Weapon Law Violations. In the most recent quarter (Q4) of 2024, there were 2,231 Crimes Against Society, which is a 9.5% decrease from Q4 2023. So far in 2024, there were 10,040 Crimes Against Society reported, which is a 4.4% decrease compared to the same period in 2023.

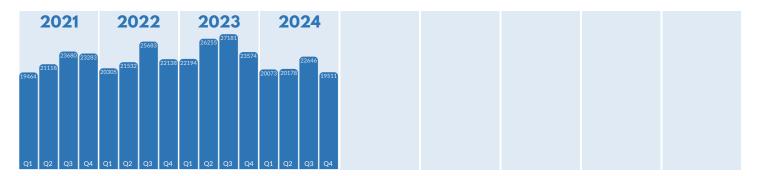
Crimes Against Persons continue to decline.

Crimes Against Persons reported by law enforcement agencies continue to **decline** in Q4 2024. Crimes Against Persons have declined since Q2 of 2024. The count of Crimes Against Persons in Q4 2024 is the lowest count of any quarter since Q1 of 2021. Typically there is seasonal fluctuation regarding Crimes Against Persons with higher crime counts reported in Q2 and Q3. This trend was not as apparent in 2024, with the highest count of Crimes Against Persons in Q2 and then decreasing in Q3 and Q4. Some of the largest percent decreases were among Murder/Nonnegligent Manslaughter (34.1%), Statutory Rape (18.8%), and Criminal Sexual Contact (18.0%) for Q1 through Q4 2024 compared to the same period in 2023.



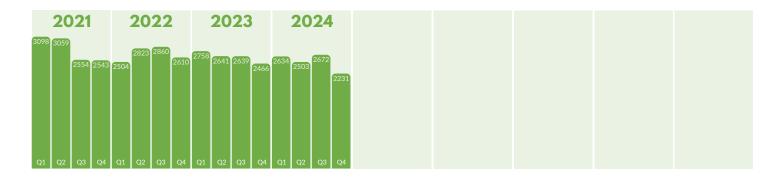
Crimes Against Property decline.

Crimes Against Property reported by law enforcement agencies **decline** in Q4 2024. The count of Crimes Against Property in Q4 2024 was the lowest count of any quarter since Q2 of 2021. Typically, there is seasonal fluctuation regarding Crimes Against Property and they peak in Q3. In 2024, this usual seasonal increase in Q3 Crimes Against Property is consistent with previous years. Overall, the counts of Crimes Against Property in 2024 were lower than previous years, particularly in Q2 and Q3 of 2024. Some of the largest percent decreases were among Identity Theft (66.2%), Impersonation (34.5%), and Purse-snatching (36.9%) for Q1 through Q4 2024 compared to the same period in 2023. While Fraud Offenses have decreased (38.0%), Wire Fraud has increased (24.7%) for Q1 through Q4 2024 compared to the same period in 2023.



Crimes Against Society decline.

Crimes Against Society reported by law enforcement agencies **decline** in Q4 2024. The count of Crimes Against Society is the lowest count of any quarter since Q1 of 2021. Typically Crimes Against Society have less seasonal fluctuation due to the nature of these crimes which are influenced by two related offenses: drug/narcotics offenses and weapons law violations. Overall the count of Crimes Against Society in 2024 was lower than in previous years. Notable percent increases were among Animal Cruelty (36.7%), and notable percent decreases were among Weapon Law Violations (17.9%) and Pornography/Obscene Material (8.8%) for Q1 through Q4 2024 compared to the same period in 2023.



Crimes Against Persons



Crimes Against Persons offenses have decreased by 2.6% compared to the same period last year.



Crimes Against Persons offenses are roughly 24.5% of the Group A crimes that have occurred in Connecticut so far in 2024.

Top Q4 Trend Shifts

- Aggravated Assault
- Criminal Sexual Contact
- All Rape

Top Q1-Q4 Trend Shifts

- Murder/Nonnegligent Manslaughter
- Statutory Rape
- Criminal Sexual Contact

Group A Offenses	Q1	Q1 Change (%)	Q2	Q2 Change (%)	Q3	Q3 Change (%)	Q4	Q4 Change (%)	Q1-Q4	Q1-Q4 Change (%)
Crimes Against Person	7,436	0.1%	7,975	0.4%	7,553	-5.1%	6,986	-5.6%	29,950	-2.6%
Simple Assault	3,773	-0.1%	4,105	2.9%	3,801	-4.6%	3,702	2.5%	15,381	0.1%
Intimidation	2,396	1.9%	2,564	0.5%	2,484	-4.4%	2,269	-7.2%	9,713	-2.3%
Aggravated Assault	727	7.9%	785	-4.6%	812	1.4%	553	-30.7%	2,877	-7.1%
All Rape	171	-18.6%	193	3.8%	141	-30.9%	155	-8.8%	660	-14.3%
Criminal Sexual Contact	213	-13.8%	185	-23.6%	192	-12.7%	177	-21.7%	767	-18.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	86	-	71	-	73	-	81	-	311	2.3%
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	21	-	26	-	21	-	23	-	91	-34.1%
Statutory Rape	27	-	25	-	19	-	20	-	91	-18.8%
Human Trafficking Offenses*	11	-	7	-	1	-	5	-	24	-
Incest	3	-	8	-	3	-	1	-	15	-
Negligent Manslaughter	8	-	6	-	6	-	0	-	20	-

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Crimes Against Property



Crimes Against Property offenses have decreased by 16.9% compared to the same period last year.



Crimes Against Property offenses are roughly 67.3% of the Group A crimes that have occurred in Connecticut so far in 2024.

Top Q4 Trend Shifts

- Theft from Motor Vehicle
- Theft of MV Parts & Accessories
- Identity Theft

Top Q1-Q4 Trend Shifts

- Identity Theft
- Impersonation
 - Purse-snatching

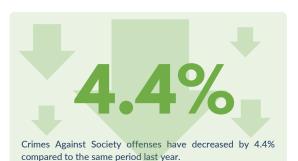
Group A Offenses	Q1	Q1 Change (%)	Q2	Q2 Change (%)	Q3	Q3 Change (%)	Q4	Q4	Q1-Q4	Q1-Q4
Crimes Against Property	20,073		20,178		22,646		19,511	Change (%) -17.2%	82,408	-16.9%
Larceny and Theft Offenses*	8,882	-11.4%	9,194	-13.5%	10,516	-2.6%	9,279	-14.0%	37,871	-10.3%
Shoplifting	3,193	-1.5%	3,220	6.9%	3,519	8.8%	3,121	-7.3%	13,053	1.5%
All Other Larceny	2,311	-13.9%	2,741	-3.7%	3,201	12.6%	2,888	2.3%	11,141	-0.5%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1,774	10.9%	1,679	-31.4%	2,121	-24.4%	1,753	-33.4%	7,327	-22.8%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Acc.	787	-46.9%	770	-39.5%	819	-8.2%	641	-32.0%	3,017	-34.3%
Theft From Building	748	-22.2%	747	-21.4%	806	-15.5%	830	-14.8%	3,131	-18.5%
Pocket-picking	41	-	20	-	26	-	28	-	115	-19.6%
Purse-snatching	21	-	14	-	23	-	12	-	70	-36.9%
Theft From Coin Operated Machine	7	-	3	-	1	-	6	-	17	-
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	4,369	9.9%	4,515	-18.2%	4,737	-18.7%	4,095	-24.5%	17,716	-14.6%
Fraud Offenses*	2,576	-21.5%	2,404	-46.4%	2,500	-52.0%	2,132	-15.6%	9,612	-38.0%
Identity Theft	792	-47.5%	674	-73.5%	682	-78.5%	591	-32.4%	2,739	-66.2%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con. Game	763	0.7%	720	-12.2%	777	-8.7%	552	-15.1%	2,812	-8.7%
Wire Fraud	365	29.4%	373	32.3%	409	11.7%	432	28.6%	1,579	24.7%
Credit Card/ATM Fraud	441	7.6%	389	-16.5%	421	-6.2%	365	-18.7%	1,616	-8.9%
Impersonation	164	-40.4%	195	-37.9%	176	-44.8%	167	1.8%	702	-34.5%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	35	-	36	-	31	-	19	-	121	-17.1%
Welfare Fraud	16	-	17	-	4	-	6	-	43	-
Motor Vehicle Theft	2,211	-6.0%	2,044	-33.3%	2,464	-11.7%	2,006	-22.4%	8,725	-19.2%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	929	-16.6%	1,058	-12.7%	1,187	-4.7%	950	-12.5%	4,124	-11.4%
Robbery	388	-4.4%	286	-30.4%	406	-1.0%	323	-11.0%	1,403	-11.8%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	307	-33.7%	289	-14.2%	319	-18.6%	299	1.7%	1,214	-18.3%
Stolen Property Offenses	267	-27.2%	231	-45.9%	341	-3.7%	271	-25.3%	1,110	-26.5%
Extortion/Blackmail	68	-	76	-	95	-	69	-	308	5.8%
Embezzlement	44	-	42	-	46	-	44	-	176	-7.4%
Arson	30	-	36	-	33	-	40	-	139	-29.4%
Bribery	2	-	3	-	2	-	3	-	10	-

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Crimes Against Society



08.2%

Crimes Against Society offenses are roughly 8.2% of the Group A crimes that have occurred in Connecticut so far in 2024.

Top Q4 Trend Shifts

- Weapons Law Violations
- ♣ Drug/Narcotics Violations
- ♣ Drug Equipment Violations

Top Q1-Q4 Trend Shifts

- Animal Cruelty
- Weapons Law Violations
- Pornography/Obscene Material

Group A Offenses	Q1	Q1 Change (%)	Q2	Q2 Change (%)	Q3	Q3 Change (%)	Q4	Q4 Change (%)	Q1-Q4	Q1-Q4 Change (%)
Crimes Against Society	2,634	-4.5%	2,503	-5.1%	2,672	1.3%	2,231	-9.5%	10,040	-4.4%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	1,196	2.5%	1,114	0.5%	1,198	14.2%	1,022	-1.9%	4,530	3.7%
Weapon Law Violations	828	-11.3%	771	-19.3%	785	-19.2%	666	-22.1%	3,050	-17.9%
Drug Equipment Violations	437	-12.8%	480	8.8%	534	10.6%	429	-2.5%	1,880	0.8%
Pornography/Obscene Material	124	5.1%	82	-	70	-	68	-	344	-8.8%
Animal Cruelty	41	-	38	-	54	-	31	-	164	36.7%
Prostitution Offenses*	8	-	18	-	28	-	10	-	64	-
Gambling Offenses*	0	-	0	-	3	-	5	-	8	-

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