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(2008 estimated population)

Population group	Violent crime					Property crime				
	Total	Murder and non-negligent man-slaughter	Forcible rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Total	Burglary	Larceny-theft	Motor vehicle theft	Arson
TOTAL ALL AGENCIES										
13,865 agencies; total population 278,355,520:										
2007	1,325,306	16,107	80,800	428,740	799,659	9,114,239	2,017,411	6,054,038	1,042,790	63,340
2008	1,292,673	15,433	78,833	423,771	774,636	9,004,837	2,049,232	6,046,758	908,847	61,050
Percent change	-2.5%	-4.2	-2.4	-1.2	-3.1	-1.2	1.6	-0.1	-12.8	-3.6
TOTAL CITIES										
9,872 cities; total population 188,370,552:										
2007	1,056,651	12,623	59,707	374,129	610,192	7,123,311	1,484,130	4,808,063	831,118	47,266
2008	1,030,681	11,922	58,251	369,384	591,124	7,005,641	1,502,430	4,784,605	718,606	45,539
Percent change	-2.5%	-5.6	-2.4	-1.3	-3.1	-1.7	1.2	-0.5	-13.5	-3.7
Group I										
76 cities, 250,000 and over; population 56,533,626:										
2007	501,856	6,857	19,985	206,542	268,472	2,488,280	537,931	1,539,319	411,030	18,499
2008	489,075	6,502	19,145	203,730	259,698	2,411,508	541,896	1,520,608	349,004	17,706
Percent change	-2.5%	-5.2	-4.2	-1.4	-3.3	-3.1	0.7	-1.2	-15.1	-4.3
10 cities, 1,000,000 and over; population 25,543,437:										
2007	209,001	2,789	6,203	94,385	105,624	923,358	187,272	579,090	156,996	6,343
2008	205,683	2,670	6,136	93,467	103,410	904,743	186,911	582,015	135,817	5,963
Percent change	-1.6%	-4.3	-1.1	-1.0	-2.1	-2.0	-0.2	0.5	-13.5	-6.0
25 cities, 500,000 to 999,999; population 16,970,506:										
2007	166,502	2,325	7,037	64,756	92,384	887,207	197,684	543,906	145,617	6,396
2008	162,302	2,151	6,720	63,351	90,080	863,699	203,220	537,518	122,961	5,872
Percent change	-2.5%	-7.5	-4.5	-2.2	-2.5	-2.6	2.8	-1.2	-15.6	-8.2
41 cities, 250,000 to 499,999; population 14,019,683:										
2007	126,353	1,743	6,745	47,401	70,464	677,715	152,975	416,323	108,417	5,760
2008	121,090	1,681	6,289	46,912	66,208	643,066	151,765	401,075	90,226	5,871
Percent change	-4.2%	-3.6	-6.8	-1.0	-6.0	-5.1	-0.8	-3.7	-16.8	1.9
Group II										
192 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 28,438,286:										
2007	175,657	2,186	10,379	62,922	100,170	1,205,107	260,130	797,113	147,864	7,785
2008	169,212	1,981	10,057	61,874	95,300	1,195,752	268,600	798,869	128,283	7,357
Percent change	-3.7%	-9.4	-3.1	-1.7	-4.9	-0.8	3.3	0.2	-13.2	-5.5
Group III										
444 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 30,327,776:										
2007	136,981	1,434	9,231	45,126	81,190	1,077,362	226,799	738,847	111,716	7,031
2008	134,031	1,360	9,119	44,032	79,520	1,064,589	225,361	740,309	98,919	6,838
Percent change	-2.2%	-5.2	-1.2	-2.4	-2.1	-1.2	-0.6	0.2	-11.5	-2.7
Group IV										
745 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 25,544,892:										
2007	92,211	876	7,473	27,474	56,388	836,207	166,258	603,044	66,905	5,099
2008	91,541	831	7,276	27,221	56,213	828,384	167,855	600,722	59,807	5,002
Percent change	-0.7%	-5.1	-2.6	-0.9	-0.3	-0.9	1.0	-0.4	-10.6	-1.9
Group V										
1,636 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 25,846,912:										
2007	80,245	735	6,814	20,334	52,362	801,505	158,092	588,600	54,813	4,467
2008	79,142	689	6,759	20,358	51,336	800,460	161,949	590,024	48,487	4,405
Percent change	-1.4%	-6.3	-0.8	0.1	-2.0	-0.1	2.4	0.2	-11.5	-1.4
Group VI										
6,779 cities, under 10,000; population 21,679,060:										
2007	69,701	535	5,825	11,731	51,610	714,850	134,920	541,140	38,790	4,385
2008	67,680	559	5,895	12,169	49,057	704,948	136,769	534,073	34,106	4,231
Percent change	-2.9%	4.5	1.2	3.7	-4.9	-1.4	1.4	-1.3	-12.1	-3.5

See notes at end of table.

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METROPOLITAN COUNTIES										
1,659 agencies; population 64,890,568:										
2007	214,809	2,660	14,964	50,415	146,770	1,565,883	396,792	991,215	177,876	12,338
2008	209,222	2,612	14,893	50,087	141,630	1,573,253	407,774	1,007,198	158,281	11,986
Percent change	-2.6%	-1.8	-0.5	-0.7	-3.5	0.5	2.8	1.6	-11.0	-2.9
NONMETROPOLITAN COUNTIES^a										
2,334 agencies; population 25,094,400:										
2007	53,846	824	6,129	4,196	42,697	425,045	136,489	254,760	33,796	3,736
2008	52,770	899	5,689	4,300	41,882	425,943	139,028	254,955	31,960	3,525
Percent change	-2.0%	9.1	-7.2	2.5	-1.9	0.2	1.9	0.1	-5.4	-5.6
SUBURBAN AREAS^b										
7,321 agencies; population 116,592,948:										
2007	362,044	3,913	26,443	91,111	240,577	3,067,134	680,382	2,092,372	294,380	20,970
2008	353,894	3,831	26,316	90,417	233,330	3,072,578	697,477	2,113,639	261,462	20,262
Percent change	-2.3%	-2.1	-0.5	-0.8	-3.0	0.2	2.5	1.0	-11.2	-3.4

Note: These data were compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. On a monthly basis, law enforcement agencies (police, sheriffs, and State police) report the number of offenses that become known to them in the following crime categories: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. A count of these crimes is taken from records of all complaints of crime received by law enforcement agencies from victims or other sources and/or from officers who discovered the offenses. Whenever complaints of crime are determined through investigation to be unfounded or false, they are eliminated from an agency's count (Source, About Crime in the U.S., Methodology).

These data represent all law enforcement agencies submitting complete reports for at least 6 common months in 2007 and 2008 (Source, Table 12). Forcible rape figures furnished by the State-level Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program administered by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for 2007 and 2008 were not in accordance with national UCR guidelines. Also, complete data were not available for some Illinois jurisdictions for 2007 and 2008. For definitions of offenses and areas, see [Appendix 3](#).

^aIncludes State police agencies with no county breakdown.

^bIncludes law enforcement agencies in cities with less than 50,000 inhabitants and county law enforcement agencies that are within a Metropolitan Statistical Area; excludes all metropolitan agencies associated with a principal city. The agencies associated with suburban areas also will appear in other groups within this table.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2008*, Table 12 [Online]. Available: http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2008/data/table_12.html [Nov. 17, 2009]. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.