



NEWS RELEASE

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

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SUBJECT: Crime in Newark Down 11%

Newark Police continued to see a steady decrease in crime in 2013 with an overall 11% drop in Part 1 Crimes. Comparing the time period of January 1st, 2013 through December 31st, 2013 to the same time period in 2012, Robberies have decreased by 35.6%, Aggravated Assaults have decreased by 5%, and Burglaries have decreased by 35.81%, Thefts have decreased by 3.42%. Comparing the same crimes from 2006 to 2013 the City has seen nearly a 63% drop in Robberies, a 60% drop in Aggravated Assaults, a 51% decrease in Burglaries and a 22% decrease in Thefts.

Chief Paul Tiernan contributes the drop in crime to a number of factors including the aggressive patrol techniques by the Uniformed Patrol Division, Street Crimes Unit, and Traffic Unit, as well as the creation of the Special Operations Unit, which was established to identify and address quality of life issues in chronic problem areas. The continued reduction in Part 1 crime can also be contributed to the development of the Crime Suppression Plan. This plan, started in 2008, involves using crime analysis to assign officers to small patrol sectors during peak call for service times in specific areas of the City. This plan increases officer visibility and allows for a quicker response to crimes in progress. Additionally, the Department continues to increase their use of technology including a network of surveillance cameras throughout the City. This camera system, which is monitored in the NPD 911 center, is used to proactively dispatch officers to in-progress crimes and has proven to be an invaluable tool in the investigation of criminal and traffic offenses.

Chief Tiernan stated: "I am encouraged by the continuing downward trend of violent crime, particularly robberies, in the City of Newark. As we enter 2014, the Newark Police Department remains committed to preventing violent crime and protecting our citizens from those who attempt to prey on the community."

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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Newark Police Department
Part I Offenses

Part I Offenses	Investigations						2012	2013	% Change 2012-2013	% Change 2006-2013
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011				
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Murder/Manslaughter	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	-100%	-100%
Kidnap	0	5	0	0	4	0	0	2	+200%	+200%
Rape	13	11	9	9	9	5	10	8	-20%	-38.46%
Unlawful Sexual Contact	8	7	11	4	10	12	11	2	-82%	-75%
Robbery	78	55	47	42	37	43	45	29	-35.56%	-62.82%
Assault/Aggravated	47	56	39	28	54	21	20	19	-5%	-59.57%
Burglary	196	190	188	143	178	174	148	95	-35.81%	-51.53%
Theft	979	951	1043	902	795	768	790	763	-3.42%	-22.06%
Theft/Auto	163	112	106	61	54	56	33	35	+6.06%	-78.53%
Arson	8	2	8	7	7	4	2	0	-100%	-100%
All Other	82	92	93	74	97	122	95	74	-22.11%	-9.76%
TOTAL PART I	1575	1481	1545	1271	1248	1205	1156	1027	-11.16%	-34.79%