

Distribution By Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

Table 4 of Appendix A summarizes the 15 MSAs in Pennsylvania. The highest Part II offense rates were produced by the State College MSA (7,121.8) and Philadelphia MSA (5,901.8). The lowest Part II offense rate occurred in the Youngstown-Warren-Boardman MSA (3,593.8).

Generally, Part II offense rates shown by core cities of the MSAs are higher than rates in their suburbs. Listed below, are the core cities with the highest rates and their corresponding suburban rates:

LANCASTER CITY	13,299.8	Suburban Rate:	3,532.1
YORK CITY	13,105.1	Suburban Rate:	4,719.4
HARRISBURG CITY	12,910.1	Suburban Rate:	4,666.7

This year 10 MSAs showed decreases and 5 MSAs showed increases in Part II offenses. Reading MSA showed the largest increase, 6.4 percent, from 21,109 offenses last year to 22,466. Youngstown-Warren-Boardman MSA showed the largest decrease, 10.1 percent, from 4,649 offenses last year to 4,181.

Pennsylvania MSA Part II offenses decreased by .5 percent. MSA core city jurisdictions decreased by .4 percent; MSA suburban jurisdictions decreased by .6 percent; rural jurisdictions increased by .8 percent; and non-MSA jurisdictions decreased by .6 percent.