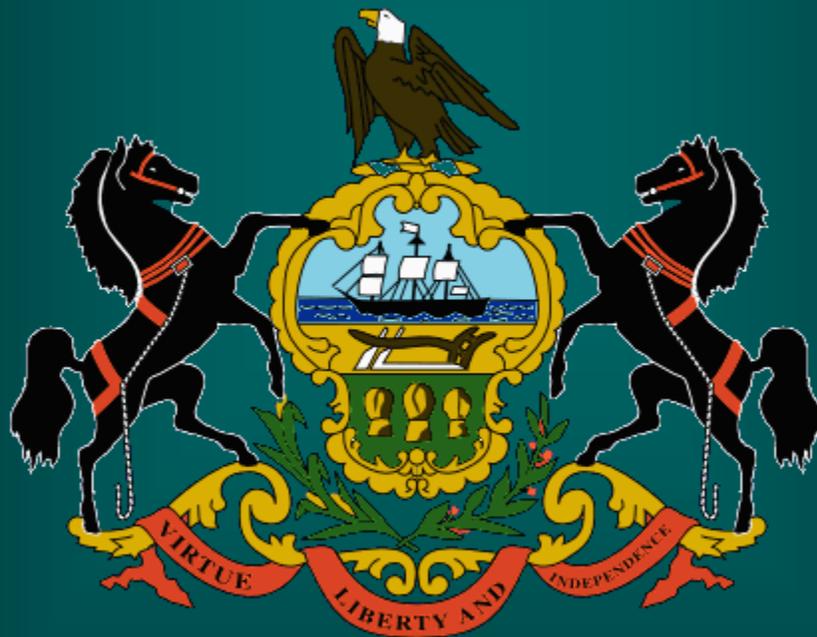


# *EXECUTIVE SUMMARY*

# *CRIME IN PENNSYLVANIA*

## *2013*

### *ANNUAL UNIFORM CRIME REPORT*



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## DEDICATION

*This report is dedicated to all law enforcement officers and, in particular, to the police officers who lost their lives in the performance of duty while endeavoring to uphold the laws of this Commonwealth. The following officers gave their lives to this cause in 2013:*

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## INTRODUCTION

This Executive Summary of the *2013 Annual Uniform Crime Report, Crime in Pennsylvania*, is intended to provide readers with a high-level overview of the nature of crime in Pennsylvania. This summary highlights statewide statistics and topics of interest. Detailed statistics and analyses are contained in the complete *2013 Annual Uniform Crime Report, Crime in Pennsylvania*, which is available for review online through the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting System (PAUCRS), at <http://www.paucrs.pa.gov>.

During 2013, the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program received data for 1,932 jurisdictions. Contributions to the Program may range from the submission of data for one month to the submission of data for the entire year. Individual agencies may have submitted data for multiple jurisdictions. Contributing jurisdictions and the corresponding number of submissions are identified in the complete report.

Prior to June 1, 2005, reporting of UCR data by Pennsylvania law enforcement agencies was not mandatory. However, on that date, Act 180 of 2004 became law, mandating UCR for all state, county, and local law enforcement agencies within the Commonwealth.

Information contained in this report is based on actual data submitted as of the date of compilation. Analysis is based on data that may have been updated after release of preceding years' reports.

# SUMMARY OF CRIME IN PENNSYLVANIA

There were 878,971 actual crimes of all types reported to the UCR Program by Pennsylvania law enforcement agencies in 2013. This represents a rate of 6,881.0 crimes per 100,000 population, a decrease of 4.2 percent from the previous year's total of 917,352 actual crimes.

Crime Index offenses are considered to be both the most serious and most likely to be reported, and are used nationally as the standard basis for comparisons. They include: murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Manslaughter by negligence is a Part I offense, but is not considered part of the Crime Index.

In 2013, 306,917 Crime Index offenses were reported and confirmed by Pennsylvania law enforcement officials after investigation. Overall, 314,158 Crime Index offenses were reported, but 2.3 percent, or 7,241 were unfounded following investigation, ranging from 15.8 percent unfounded for arson to 1.0 percent unfounded for burglary forcible entry. Crime Index offenses decreased by 5.2 percent from last year's total of 323,582. The Crime Index rate in 2013 was 2,402.7 per 100,000 population.

In addition, 572,036 Part II offenses were reported in 2013, with a rate of 4,478.2 per 100,000 population. This is a decrease of 3.7 percent from the 593,750 Part II offenses reported the previous year. Part II offenses include: other assaults, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons, prostitution, other sex offenses, drug abuse violations, illegal gambling, offenses against the family, driving under the influence, liquor law violations, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, and all other offenses.

In 2013, 49.7 percent of all offenses were cleared (31.3 percent of the Crime Index offenses, and 59.6 percent of all Part II offenses). An offense is considered cleared when at least one person involved in the commission of the offense has been arrested, charged, and turned over to the court for prosecution. An offense can be cleared by exceptional means when an element beyond law enforcement control prevents filing of formal charges against the offender.

## CRIME REPORTED TO POLICE

<u>Offense Category</u>	<u>Offenses</u>	<u>Percent Distribution</u>	<u>Rate per 100,000 Population</u>	<u>Percent Change From 2012</u>	<u>Clearances</u>	<u>Percent Cleared</u>
Part I Offenses	306,935	34.9	2,402.8	-5.2	96,153	31.3
Part II Offenses	572,036	65.1	4,478.2	-3.7	340,741	59.6
Statewide Total	878,971	100.0	6,881.0	-4.2	436,894	49.7
Crime Index Offenses	306,917	34.9	2,402.7	-5.2	96,124	31.3

## CRIMES REPORTED BY POPULATION GROUPING

<b>Population Group</b>	<b>Estimated Population 2013</b>	<b>Crime Index Offenses</b>	<b>Rate per 100,000 Population</b>	<b>Percent Distribution</b>	<b>Part II Offenses</b>	<b>Rate per 100,000 Population</b>	<b>Percent Distribution</b>
MSA Core Cities	2,712,146	115,237	4,248.9	37.5	183,203	6,754.9	32.0
MSA Suburban	8,011,608	154,699	1,930.9	50.4	308,111	3,845.8	53.9
MSA Total	10,723,754	269,936	2,517.2	88.0	491,314	4,581.5	85.9
Non-MSA	984,785	20,679	2,099.8	6.7	49,780	5,054.9	8.7
Rural/State Police	1,065,262	16,302	1,530.3	5.3	30,942	2,904.6	5.4
Non-MSA and Rural Total	2,050,047	36,981	1,803.9	12.0	80,722	3,937.6	14.1
Statewide Total	12,773,801	306,917	2,402.7	100.0	572,036	4,478.2	100.0

**A** Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is composed of an entire county or group of counties that include at least one core city, with the entire area meeting criteria of certain metropolitan characteristics established by the United States Census Bureau. In 2013, the overall volume of offenses was highest in MSA Suburban jurisdictions; however, the crime rate of the MSA Core City jurisdictions continued to be much higher than the MSA Suburban jurisdictions during this period. It should be noted that no attempt is made throughout this report to correct for the influx of seasonal/temporary residents and tourists during the year. Crime rates are based upon the permanent population.

### Arrests

Arrests are primarily a measure of success by police in relation to the criminal offenses taking place within a community. Arrest practices, policies, and enforcement emphasis will vary from place to place and from time to time within a community. Arrests do, however, provide a useful indicator as to the age, sex, and race of persons involved in criminal acts, especially for crimes that have high solution rates.

A total of 440,729 arrests were made in Pennsylvania in 2013, a 2.6 percent decrease from the previous year. As indicated in the following table, Part II offense arrests totaled 352,493 or 80.0 percent of all arrests, a 3.0 percent decrease from last year. Part I offense arrests numbered 88,236 or 20.0 percent of all arrests, decreasing by 1.0 percent from the previous year.

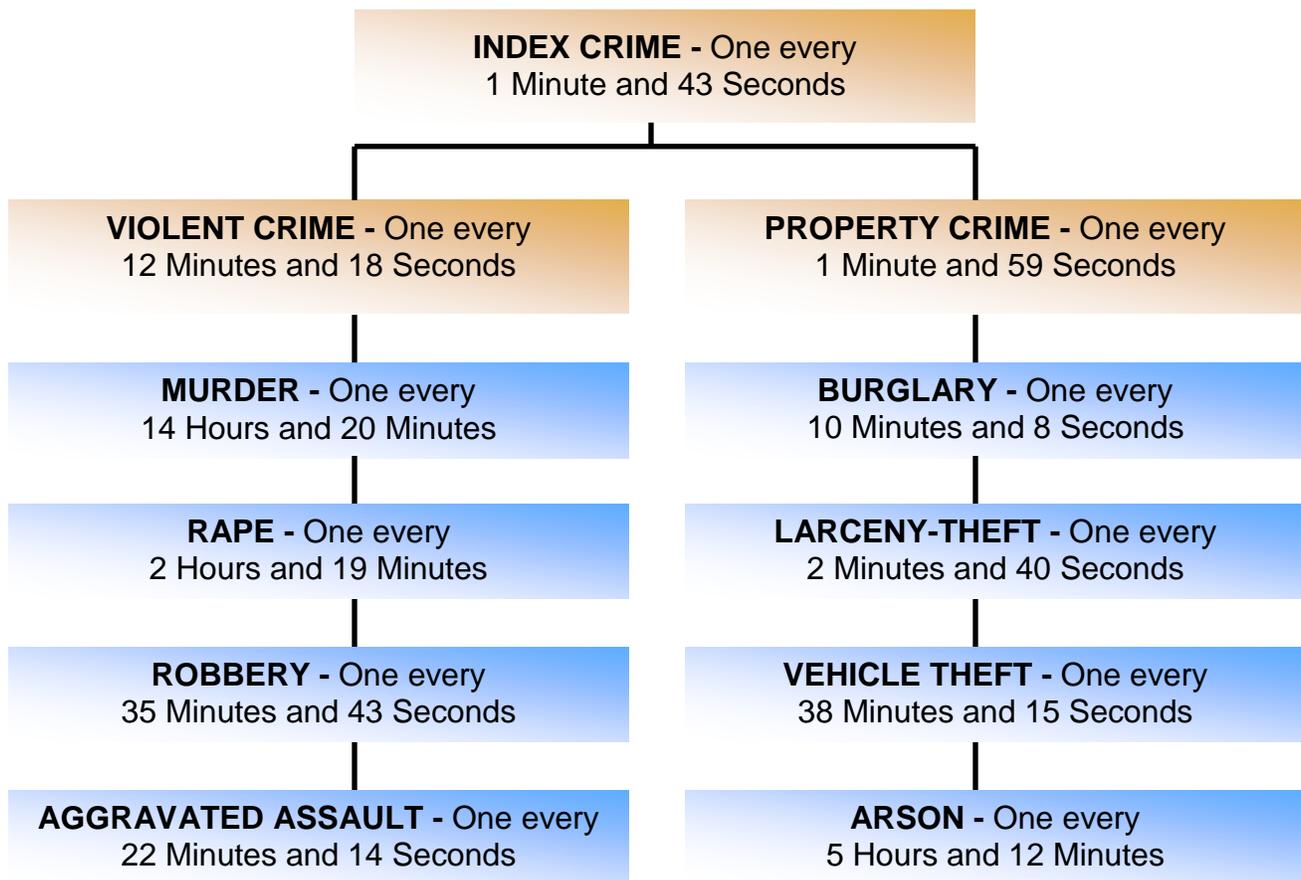
## ARRESTS BY OFFENSE CATEGORY

<b>Offense Category</b>	<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Percent Distribution</b>	<b>Rate per 100,000 Population</b>	<b>Percent Change From 2012</b>
Part I Offenses	88,236	20.0	690.8	-1.0
Part II Offenses	352,493	80.0	2,759.5	-3.0
Statewide Total	440,729	100.0	3,450.3	-2.6
Crime Index Offenses	88,188	20.0	690.4	-1.0

**A**nalysis revealed that in 2013, 325,589 arrestees or 73.9 percent were male; 115,140 or 26.1 percent were female; 299,862 or 68.0 percent were White; 137,249 or 31.1 percent were Black; 3,592 or 0.8 percent were Other Races; 66,026 or 15.0 percent were under 18 years old; and 192,362 or 43.6 percent were under 25 years old. Arrests of males decreased by 2.7 percent, and arrests of Whites decreased by 4.2 percent, while arrests of juveniles decreased by 6.6 percent from the previous year.

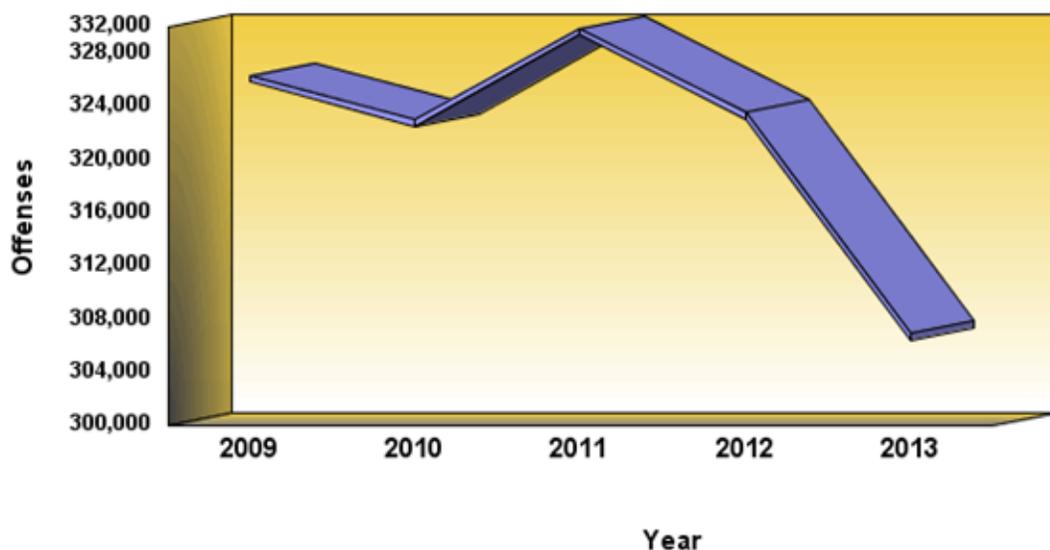
For UCR purposes, an adult arrest is counted for each adult processed by arrest, citation, or summons, including those individuals arrested and released without a formal charge being placed against them. Crime suspects who are questioned and released are not counted as an arrest. A juvenile arrest occurs when a juvenile is taken into custody for committing an offense under circumstances such that if they were an adult, an arrest would be tallied. Juveniles arrested or taken into custody, but merely warned and released without being charged, are also counted as an arrest. The UCR Program considers a juvenile to be an individual under the age of 18, regardless of the state definition.

### FREQUENCY OF CRIME



*NOTE: This information is not intended to suggest Crime Index offenses occur at regular intervals, but represents an average rate of occurrence.*

# CRIME INDEX OFFENSES



**Definition:** Crime Index offenses are crimes that are considered by law enforcement to be the most serious crimes that readily come to the attention of police and occur with a frequency great enough to be reported as a separate classification. Crime Index offenses are used nationally as a basis for comparison of criminal activity.

<u>Crime Index Offenses</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Number Of Offenses	326,362	322,994	329,909	323,582	306,917
Percent Change from Previous	0.0	-1.0	2.1	-1.9	-5.2
Percent Change from Base	0.0	-1.0	1.1	-0.9	-6.0

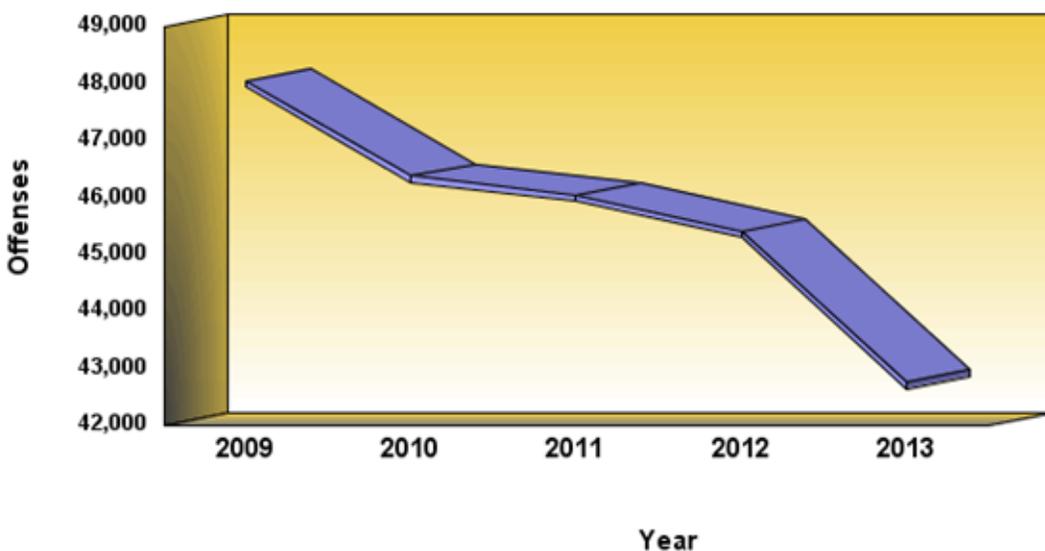
## Summary

There were 306,917 Crime Index offenses reported to Pennsylvania police agencies in 2013, an average of 841 each day, or one every 1 minute and 43 seconds. This is a 5.2 percent decrease from the 323,582 Crime Index offenses reported the previous year. The Crime Index rate in 2013 was 2,402.7 per 100,000 population.

## Arrests

There were 88,188 arrests for Crime Index offenses in 2013. This is a 1.0 percent decrease from the 89,111 arrests the previous year. Persons arrested for Crime Index offenses in 2013 were predominantly male (68.1 percent), White (65.6 percent), and 25 years of age and older (56.5 percent).

# VIOLENT CRIME



**Definition:** The Crime Index offenses of murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault comprise the general category of Violent Crime.

<u>Violent Crime Offenses</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Number Of Offenses	48,050	46,375	46,049	45,407	42,754
Percent Change from Previous	0.0	-3.5	-0.7	-1.4	-5.8
Percent Change from Base	0.0	-3.5	-4.2	-5.5	-11.0

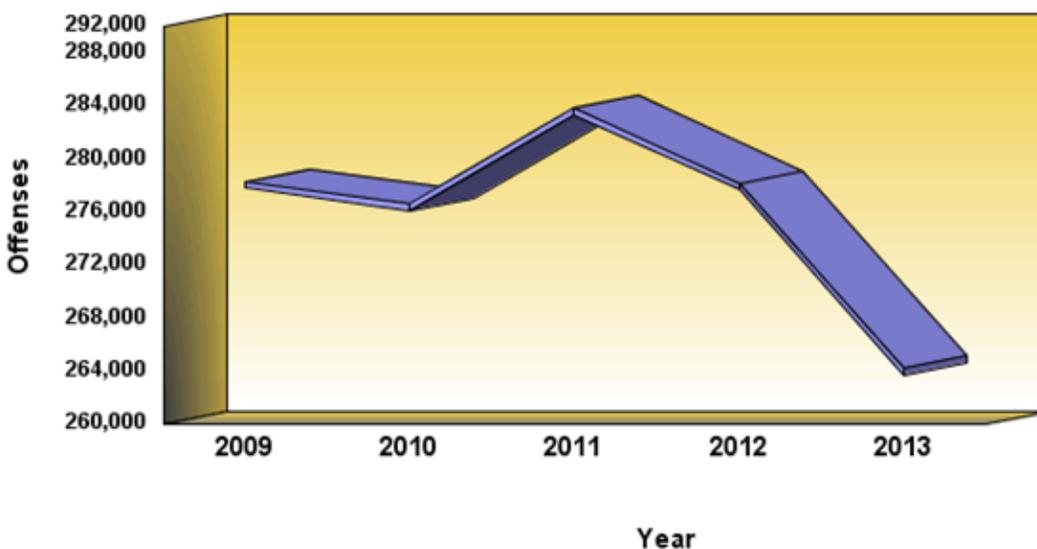
## Summary

There were 42,754 Violent Crime offenses reported to Pennsylvania police agencies in 2013, an average of 117 each day, or one every 12 minutes and 18 seconds. This is a 5.8 percent decrease from the 45,407 Violent Crime offenses reported the previous year. The Violent Crime rate in 2013 was 334.7 per 100,000 population.

## Arrests

There were 23,457 arrests in 2013 for Violent Crime offenses. This is a 2.8 percent decrease from the 24,145 arrests the previous year. Persons arrested for Violent Crime offenses in 2013 were predominantly male (78.4 percent), Black (51.1 percent), and 25 years of age and older (55.3 percent).

# PROPERTY CRIME



**Definition:** The Crime Index categories of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson comprise the general category of Property Crime.

<u>Property Crime Offenses</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Number Of Offenses	278,312	276,619	283,860	278,175	264,163
Percent Change from Previous	0.0	-0.6	2.6	-2.0	-5.0
Percent Change from Base	0.0	-0.6	2.0	0.0	-5.1

## Summary

There were 264,163 Property Crime offenses reported to Pennsylvania police agencies in 2013, an average of 724 each day, or one every 1 minute and 59 seconds. This is a 5.0 percent decrease from the 278,175 Property Crime offenses reported the previous year. The Property Crime rate in 2013 was 2,068.0 per 100,000 population.

## Arrests

There were 64,731 arrests in 2013 for Property Crime offenses. This is a 0.4 percent decrease from the 64,966 arrests the previous year. Persons arrested for Property Crime offenses in 2013 were predominantly male (64.4 percent), White (71.9 percent), and 25 years of age and older (57.0 percent).

# ETHNIC INTIMIDATION AND HATE CRIME

**E**thnic intimidation is defined by Title 18 Pa. C.S., Subsection 2710, as any crime against the person or an arson, criminal mischief, and other property destruction (except institutional vandalism), or criminal trespass that is committed “. . . with malicious intention toward the race, color, religion, or national origin of another individual or group of individuals . . . .”

## Summary

A total of 125 persons were the victims of 88 hate crime incidents in 2013. Multiple victims and/or offenses may be reported within a single incident. The following tables depict hate crime data by victim and bias motivation.

### Victim Data

	<u>Victims</u>	<u>Number of Victims</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b>RACE</b>	Asian/Pacific Islander	3	2.4
	Black	41	32.8
	Unknown	6	4.8
	White	75	60.0
<b>Total RACE</b>		125	100.0
<b>ETHNICITY</b>	Hispanic	4	3.2
	Not of Hispanic Origin	112	89.6
	Unknown	9	7.2
<b>Total ETHNICITY</b>		125	100.0
<b>SEX</b>	Female	46	36.8
	Male	77	61.6
	Unknown	2	1.6
<b>Total SEX</b>		125	100.0

### Bias Motivation Data

<u>Code</u>	<u>Bias Motivation</u>	<u>Number of Incidents</u>	<u>Percent</u>
11	Anti-White	18	20.5
12	Anti-Black or African American	43	48.9
14	Anti-Asian/Pacific Islander	1	1.1
21	Anti-Jewish	8	9.1
22	Anti-Catholic	1	1.1
23	Anti-Protestant	1	1.1
24	Anti-Islamic (Muslim)	2	2.3
32	Anti-Hispanic or Latino	3	3.4
41	Anti-Gay (Male)	6	6.8
43	Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender	4	4.6
51	Anti-Physical Disability	1	1.1
<b>TOTAL</b>		88	100.0

# DEATHS OF AND ASSAULTS ON PENNSYLVANIA LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

<b>Assaults on Officers</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>
Number Of Offenses	3,435	3,035	2,478	2,413	2,243
Percent Change from Previous	0.0	-11.6	-18.4	-2.6	-7.0
Percent Change from Base	0.0	-11.6	-27.9	-29.8	-34.7

## Summary

A total of 2 Pennsylvania law enforcement officers were killed while performing their official duties in 2013. During the 5-year period from 2009 to 2013, a total of 14 Pennsylvania law enforcement officers were killed while performing their official duties.

There were 2,243 assaults on Pennsylvania law enforcement officers in 2013, representing a 7.0 percent decrease from the 2,413 assaults reported the previous year. The assault rate per 100 officers decreased to 7.6 from 8.3 the previous year.

Pittsburgh experienced the highest assault rate on law enforcement officers (41.0 per 100 officers) in 2013.

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