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**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

A NATIONALLY ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY



# MISSION & VALUES

The Prince William County Police Department is responsible for effectively and impartially enforcing the law while serving and protecting the community.

We believe integrity, honesty, and equality in the delivery of all police services is essential to building cooperation and trust with the community.

We strive to always achieve these values through a shared responsibility of accountability, transparency, and respect.

## **EASTERN DISTRICT**

15948 Donald Curtis Dr.  
Woodbridge

## **CENTRAL DISTRICT**

5036 Davis Ford Rd.  
Woodbridge

## **WESTERN DISTRICT**

8900 Freedom Center Blvd.  
Manassas

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**POLICE FOIA REQUESTS:**  
policefoia@pwcgov.org

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**NON-EMERGENCIES:** 703-792-6500  
**GENERAL INQUIRIES:** 703-792-5123  
**Police Tipine:** 703-792-7000



# 2025 BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS

**\$3.425B**

COUNTY BUDGET  
(FY25 BUDGET)

**164,122**

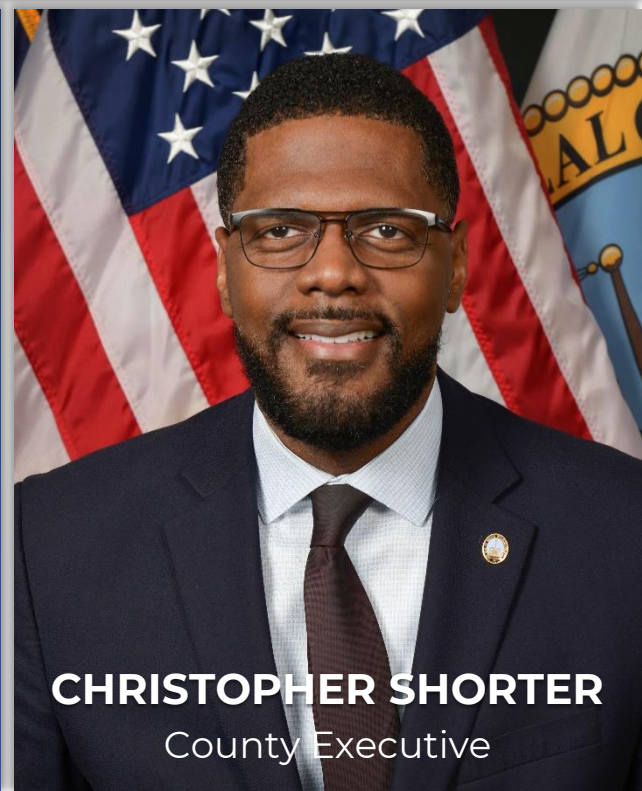
HOUSING UNITS  
(Q2 2025)

**508,109**

POPULATION ESTIMATE  
(Q2 2025)

**5,375**

COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
(FY25 BUDGET)



**CHRISTOPHER SHORTER**  
County Executive



# CHIEF PETER NEWSHAM

To the members of our community, it is both an honor and privilege to serve as your police chief. Every day, the men and women of this department come to work committed not only to public safety, but to building trust, strengthening relationships, and ensuring every person feels seen, heard, and protected.

Policing is most effective when it is rooted in partnership. We cannot do this work alone. Your voice, your concerns, and your collaboration help shape how we serve. Whether through community meetings, neighborhood conversations, or simple daily interactions, these connections guide us toward better outcomes and a stronger community.

We understand trust is earned through transparency, accountability, and consistency. We are committed to upholding the highest standards, addressing challenges openly and continuously improving how we serve. Our goal is not just to respond to incidents, but to prevent them—by working together to address the underlying issues that impact safety and quality of life.

We also recognize the importance of compassion. Behind every call for service is a person, a family, or a community in need. Our approach will always strive to balance enforcement with empathy, ensuring dignity and respect for all.

As we move forward, I encourage each of you to stay engaged. Get to know your officers, share your perspectives, and partner with us in building a safer, more connected community.

Thank you for your trust and support. Together, we can continue to make our community a place where everyone feels safe to live, work, and thrive.



# PWCPD LEADERSHIP

## AGENCY HEADS

CHIEF OF POLICE.....Peter Newsham  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE.....Kimberly Chisley-Missouri

## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

CHIEF OF STAFF.....Matthew Bromeland  
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS.....Brandan Dudley

## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

ASSISTANT CHIEF.....Shana Hrubes  
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS & VIOLENT CRIMES.....Eileen Welsh  
PROPERTY CRIMES, SPECIAL VICTIMS, & YOUTH SERVICES.....Neil Miller

## FINANCIAL & TECHNICAL SERVICES

ADMINISTRATIVE CHIEF.....Thomas Pulaski\*  
*Retired May 1, 2025*

## OPERATIONS

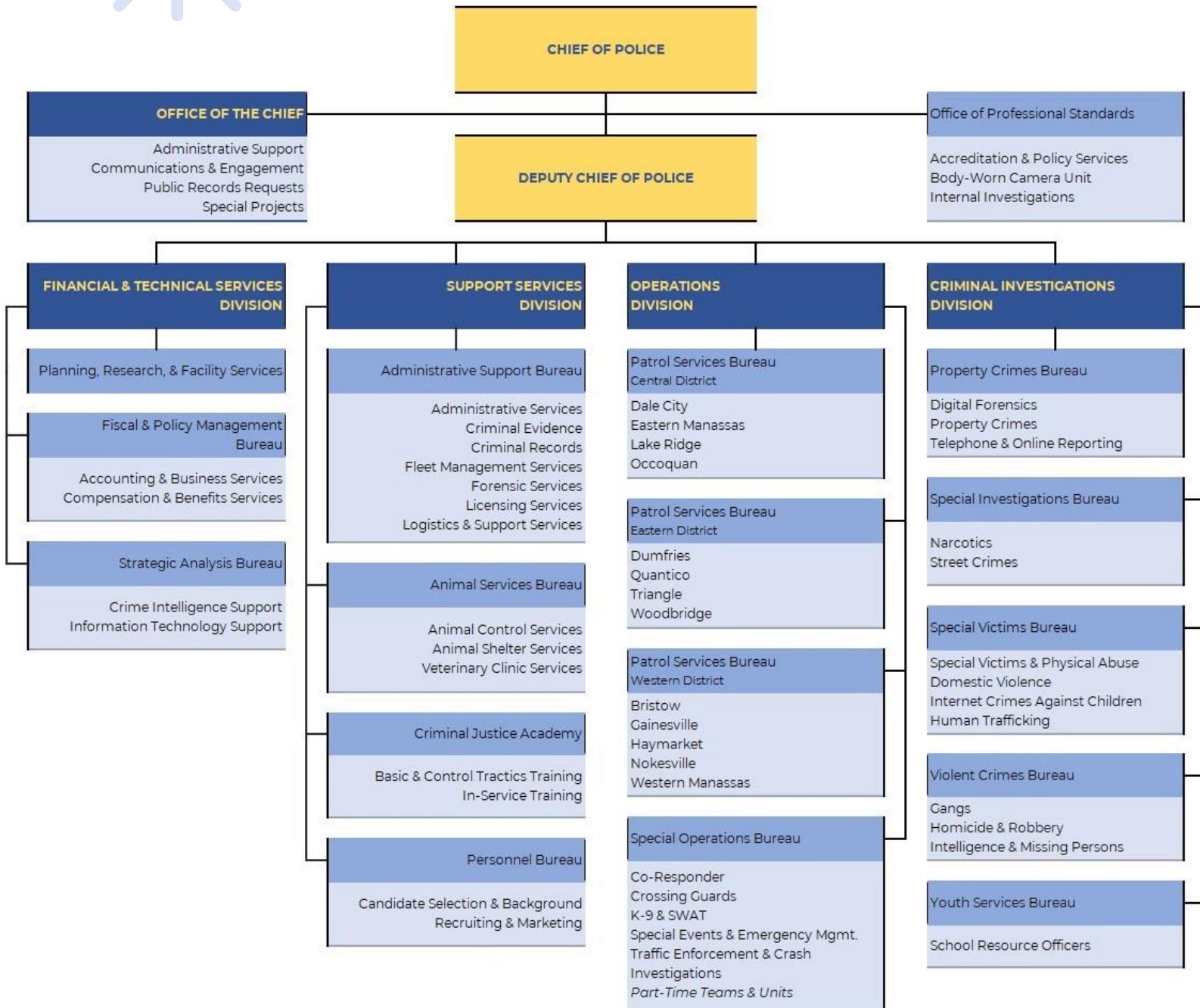
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PATROL SERVICES-CENTRAL DISTRICT.....Ruben Castilla  
PATROL SERVICES-EASTERN DISTRICT.....David Smith  
PATROL SERVICES-WESTERN DISTRICT.....David Burghart  
SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU.....Feliciano Wilson  
SPECIAL SERVICES BUREAU.....Christopher Rice

## SUPPORT SERVICES

ASSISTANT CHIEF.....Jaime Pavol  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES.....Heather McClane  
ANIMAL SERVICES CENTER.....Anthony Cleveland  
PERSONNEL.....David Bassett  
TRAINING ACADEMY.....Ronald Teachman



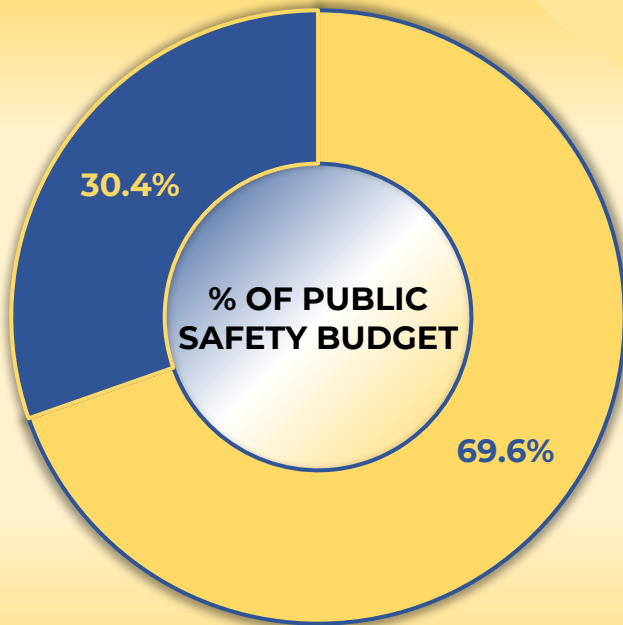
# AGENCY STRUCTURE



MORE INFORMATION  
[pwcva.gov/police](http://pwcva.gov/police)

# POLICE 4-1-1

POLICE BUDGET  
**\$153.0M**



■ PUBLIC SAFETY  
■ POLICE

**225**

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

**747**

SWORN AUTHORIZED

\*FY24 Data

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Watch Groups | **675**

Engagement Programs | **176**

## PERSONNEL

**597** | Applications Received

**31** | PWCPD Recruits Graduated

## CALLS FOR SERVICE

Total Calls for Service | **214,934**

Telephone/Online Reports | **2,078**

## TRAINING TOTALS

**65,768** | Basic Training Hours

**64,308** | In-Service Training Hours

## POLICE FLEET

Miles Driven | **8.8M**

Police Vehicles | **761**

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIME

**6.01** | Minutes



**PRINCE  
WILLIAM**  
— Animal Services

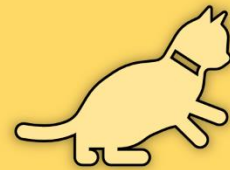
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RATE**

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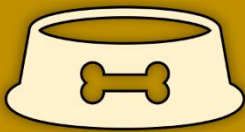
**773**

Animals  
Fostered

**105**



**8,754**



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Active  
Volunteers

**232**



Volunteer  
Hours

**29K**



Partner  
Transfers

**192**



Community  
Events

**66**



**748**



Animal  
Reunited



In 2025, for the first time in the history of the Police Department, the Animal Services Bureau, which has been a dedicated leader in animal welfare, acquired a state license to operate a veterinary clinic at the Animal Services Center. The clinic is specifically focused on serving the medical needs of animals under the care of the Bureau. This significant milestone underscores the commitment to providing comprehensive care for animals in our community.

The clinic is headed by licensed, supervising veterinarian and supported by a team licensed veterinary technicians and veterinary assistants. The clinic now allows staff to enhance existing services and ensure all animals at our Center receive the medical attention they deserve in a timely manner. With on-site veterinary care, the Center will be able to expedite the treatment and triage process for injured or ill animals, and to provide routine health checks.

In 2025, our veterinary staff performed:

- Examinations: 3,400+
- In-house emergency vet services: 95 cases
- X-Rays: 48





Each year, Police Department members are recognized for their service and dedication to our community. These recognitions are just some of the accolades our members receive.

To highlight two awards specifically, 77 members earned Silver Awards of Valor, Bronze Awards for Valor, Merit Awards of Valor, and Hillary Robinette Awards for Integrity in Investigative Work during the annual Valor Awards Ceremony presented by the Prince William

Chamber of Commerce (pictured upper left).

Two homicide detectives also received the Homicide Investigator(s) of the Year award from the Virginia Homicide Investigators Association for their tireless effort in a murder investigation. The prosecution of the suspects involved is ongoing. (pictured lower right).

Additional recognitions in 2025 include:

- WRAP Law Enforcement Award of Excellence
- Lambert/Ratcliffe Trainer of the Year Award, Virginia CIT Coalition
- SHIELD Award, Anti-Defamation League
- Law Enforcement Award, Virginia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution





The Police Department remains committed to continuous engagement and outreach within our community. Our members accomplish this goal every day through interactions by patrol officers during calls for service, to our School Resource Officers mentoring our students, and the countless events members attend throughout the year in our community and with organizations across the County.

Community engagement and outreach is essential in any law

enforcement organization. The Police Department instills a culture of service, trust, and building cooperation in our community to ensure our members have positive engagement with our residents and business owners. Only through these efforts can we build lasting relationships and strengthen public trust with the police.

We encourage our community to join us at many of the following events held every year.

- Coffee with a Cop
- Community Fair (pictured top left)
- Junior Police Academy
- National Night Out (pictured lower right)
- Santa Cops & Motor Ride (pictured top right, next page)
- Trunk or Treat (pictured top left, next page)





Part of building lasting relationships and strengthening public trust is offering ways for community members and business owner to learn more about the agency and what we do. The Police Department offers different programs where this can be accomplished. These programs enrich our community with knowledge about the Police Department and the law enforcement profession as a whole in hopes of dispelling rumors and misinformation.

The Police Department is very fortunate here in Prince William County to have such a robust and supportive community. We have garnered great success with those who have taken part in these programs.

Learn more about these programs, and how you can participate on our [website](#).

- Cadet Program
- Chaplain Program
- Community Advisory Board
- Community Police Academy
- Community Watch Groups
- Junior Cadet Program
- Ride-Along Program
- Student internship Program
- Volunteers in Police Service





Welcoming new members to the agency is a rite of passage and an exciting achievement for our graduates. In 2025, two basic recruit schools graduated, welcoming 31 new officers to the Police Department. Our graduates come to us with a variety of different backgrounds and experience including varying educational degrees to military service.

Increasing the diversity of our workforce remains one of our primary objectives. Academy graduates in 2025 listed Spanish, Farsi, Urdu, Pashto, Haitian Creole, and French as some of their additional spoken languages.

Each graduate completed a 24-week course of training in all aspects of police work, including classes in firearms, use-of-force decision making, driver training, legal training, patrol techniques, criminal investigation and crash investigation.





The Police Department is honored and proud of our ongoing partnership with the Special Olympics in supporting and promoting their efforts in the community. Throughout the year, members host fundraisers at county businesses to raise money for the organization.

Additionally, Police Department members join Special Olympians at events held in the County or the region, including the Polar

Plunge typically held in February, and the Torch Run and Dulles Plane Pull, both typically held in the summer months.

To learn more about these events or how you can help the Special Olympics of Virginia, visit their [website](#).



On February 27, 2016, **OFFICER ASHLEY GUINDON** was fatally shot responding to a home in Woodbridge to investigate a domestic altercation. While speaking to the suspect at the front door, he suddenly and without warning, fired a weapon. Additional officers arrived and took the suspect into custody. Three officers were shot and taken to an area hospital where Officer Guindon died of her injuries. The two other officers were critically wounded.

Officer Guindon had been sworn-in as a member of the Department the day prior to this incident. This incident was the first call Officer Guindon responded to that evening. A library at Gainesville High School is named in her honor.

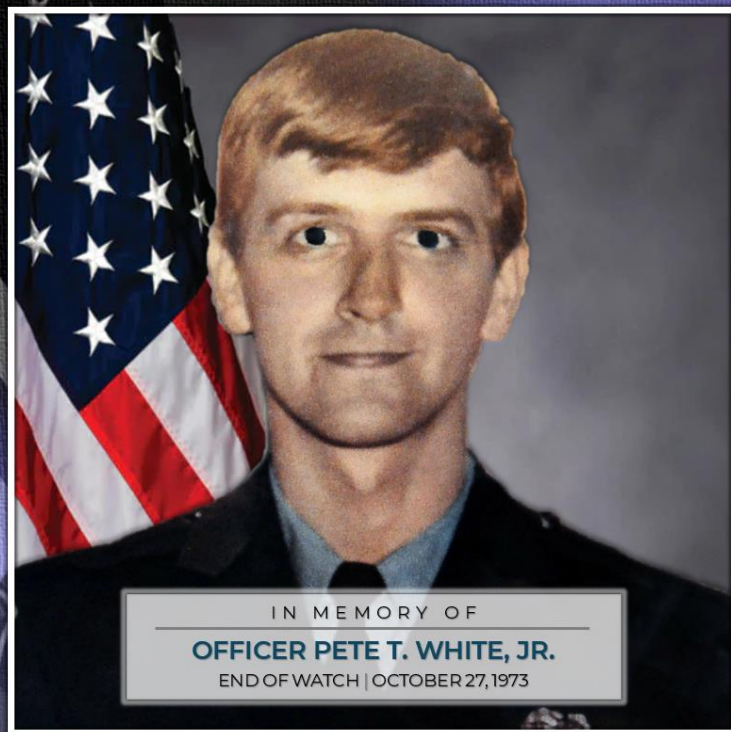


On December 31, 2012, New Years Eve, **OFFICER CHRIS YUNG** died from injuries following a vehicle crash in Bristow while responding on his police motorcycle to a separate collision. The striking vehicle inadvertently made a left-hand turn into a shopping center, crossing in front of the officer's motorcycle. Officer Yung was transported to a local hospital where he died from his injuries.

Officer Yung was a member of the Department for seven years and was assigned to the Traffic Unit. Chris Yung Elementary School is named in his honor.

On November 22, 1990, Thanksgiving Day, **OFFICER MIKE PENNINGTON** was fatally shot as he and other members of the Special Weapons & Tactics (SWAT) Team were attempting to serve a search warrant related to a separate shooting of a law enforcement officer. Upon entering the home, Officer Pennington attempted to negotiate with the suspect for a safe surrender. Without warning, the suspect fatally shot Officer Pennington with a rifle. The assailant was then killed moments later by SWAT.

Officer Pennington was a member of the Department for 11 years and served on the SWAT Team. Pennington Traditional School is named in his honor.



On October 27, 1973, **OFFICER PETE WHITE** succumbed to his injuries sustained six days earlier from a vehicle crash in the Haymarket area. He was responding to another accident when his vehicle struck a ditch, overturned, and caught fire.

Officer White was a member of the Department for two years and had previously served with the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, DC. The Prince William County Police Department's Western District Station is named in his honor.

# CRIME IN PWC

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Highlights presented in this report include:

- **Murder totaled eight in 2025, falling 63.6% from the previous year.**
- **Violent crime fell 17.4%**, including 6.7% decline in all rape offenses, 16.0% decline in aggravated assault, and 23.5% decline in robbery.
- Firearm-related cases decreased 19.0%, firearms used in robberies fell 14.8%.
- Burglary continued to decline, dropping 26.0% in 2025.
- Motor Vehicle Theft declined for the first time since 2023, falling 16.4%.
- Simple Assaults accounted for 75.4% of all Crimes Against Persons.
- Larceny offenses accounted for 50.5% of all Crimes Against Property.
- Drug offenses accounted for 69.2% of all Crimes Against Society.



# CRIME OVERVIEW

## 2025 YEAR END STANDINGS

TOTAL  
CRIME

▼ **9.3%**

VIOLENT  
CRIME

▼ **17.4%**

CRIMES AGAINST  
PERSONS

▼ **1.1%**

CRIMES AGAINST  
PROPERTY

▼ **13.8%**

CRIMES AGAINST  
SOCIETY

▼ **6.2%**

STATS AT-A-GLANCE	2024	2025
County Population	496,322	508,109
Total Crime	19,824	17,977
Crime Rate*	39.9	35.4
Total Criminal Arrests	9,242	8,558
Adult Arrests	8,430	7,826
Juvenile Arrests	806	726
Total Murder Victims	22	8
Total Traffic Citations	34,794	35,893
Crash Rate*	9.8	9.4
Total Reportable Crashes <sup>^</sup>	4,869	4,763
Total Crash Fatalities	26	28
Total Calls for Service (CFS)	211,925	214,934
CFS Resulting in Report	21,445	20,550
Telephone & Online Reporting	2,782	2,078
Person-In-Crisis (PIC) Related CFS	3,756	3,594
Officer Hours on PIC CFS	26,503	26,348

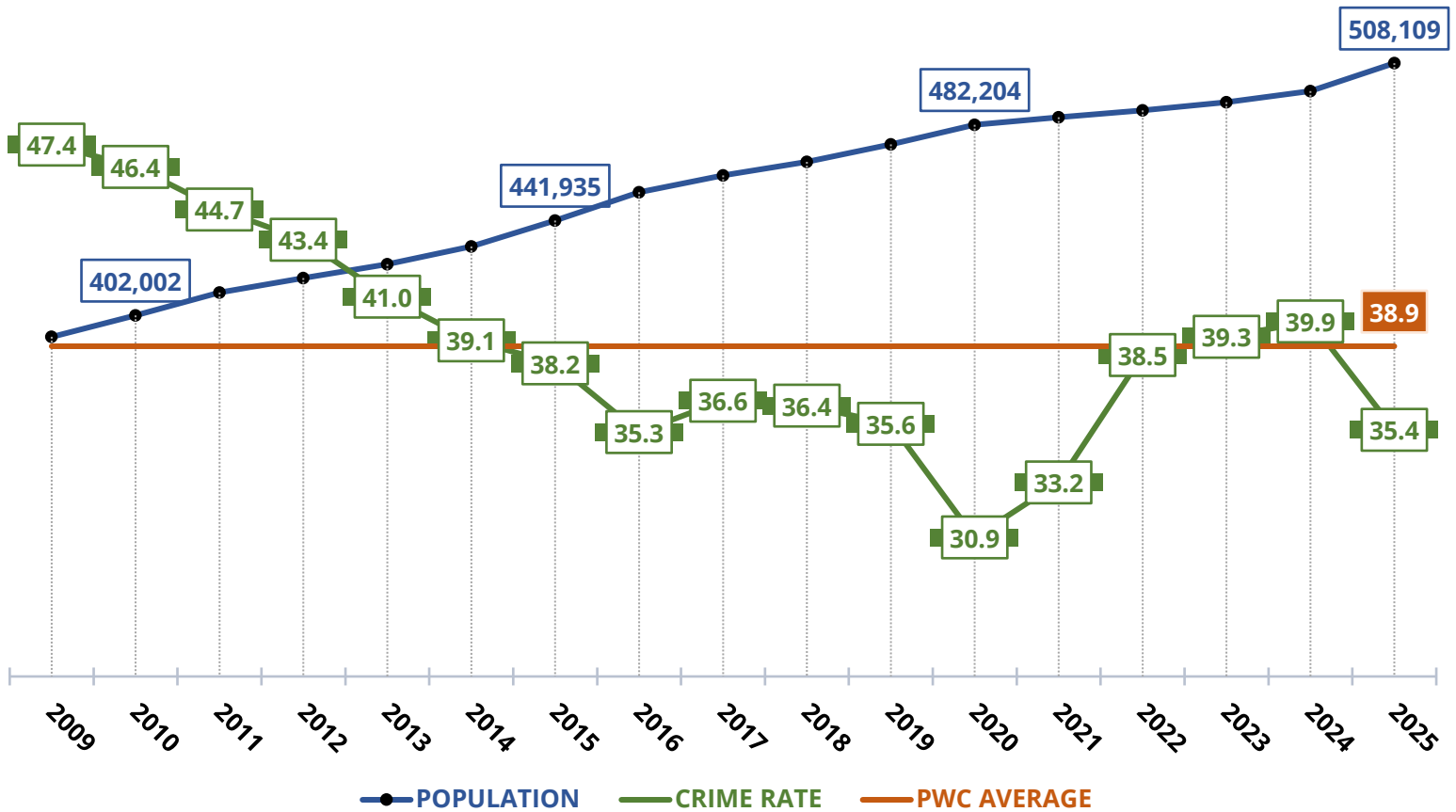
\*Based on total reported crime (Group A Offenses) and total crashes per 1,000 residents.

<sup>^</sup>Reportable crashes as outlined under the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles reporting guidelines.

# HISTORICAL REVIEW

## HISTORICAL CRIME RATE PERSPECTIVE

Crime Rate is widely used by law enforcement agencies across Virginia and the country to provide context of total reported crime in a locality as it relates to its population. While Crime Rates can provide an overall assessment of crime, additional context is needed to break down crime trends within a locality which can give residents and business owners information necessary to gauge their personal safety and property protection needs. Examining crime trends remains an important factor in determining the overall safety of our community. The following chart provides a historical perspective of the Crime Rate in Prince William County since 2009, and the overall average, based on data provided to the Virginia State Police.



# CRIME RATE

The **CRIME RATE** in Prince William County is calculated by comparing total crime to the population of the county.

CRIME RATE

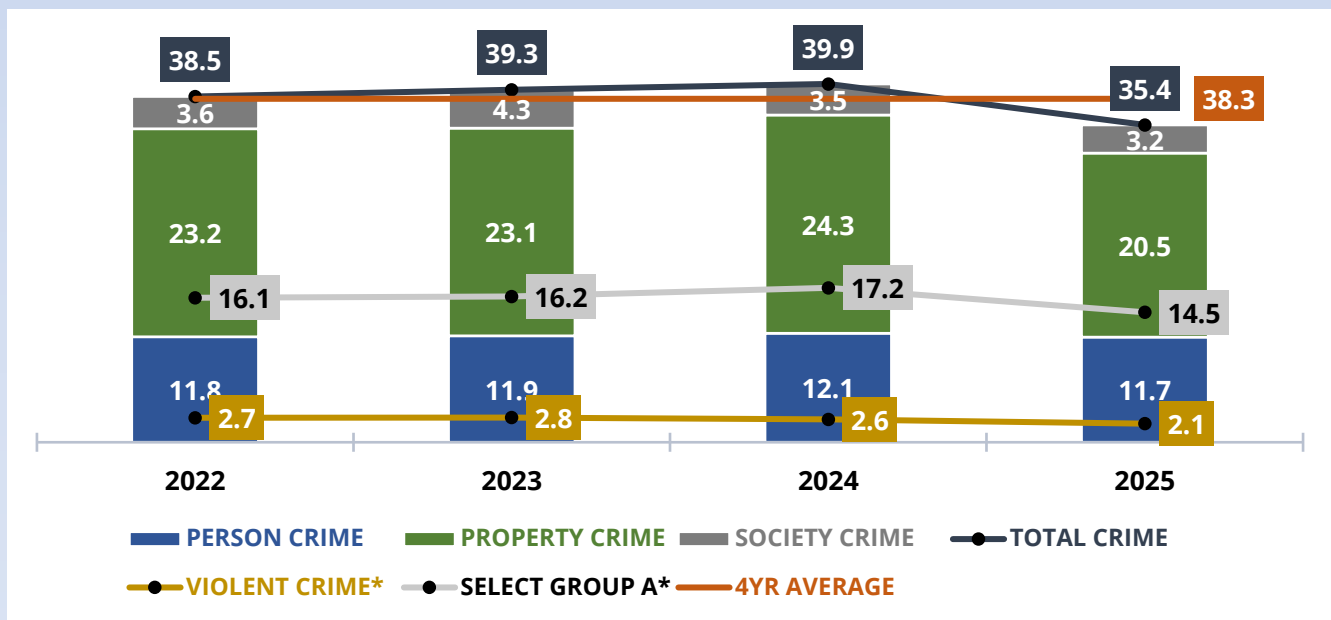
35.4

INCIDENTS  
per 1,000 residents

In 2025, the crime rate in Prince William County measured **35.4 incidents** per 1,000 residents, **falling significantly** from 39.9 the previous year, or by about 9.3%, and. Total crime, as measured by Group A Offenses, also fell by 9.3% compared to the previous year, significantly less than total offenses seen since 2021. The chart below breaks down the County’s crime rate over the past four years by crime category.

## CRIME RATE BREAKDOWN BY CRIME CATEGORY

In addition to the overall crime rate falling significantly in 2025, **VIOLENT CRIME**, as defined by the Virginia State Police, **fell double digits by 17.4%** compared with the previous year; Crimes against Persons also fell 1.1%; Crimes Against Property fell 13.8%; and Crimes Against Society, often referred to as “victim-less” crimes, fell 6.2%. The four-year average post pandemic crime rate, from 2022-2025, measured 38.2 incidents per 1,000 residents. In the years prior to the pandemic, since 2009, the average crime rate was 40.4 incidents per 1,000 residents.



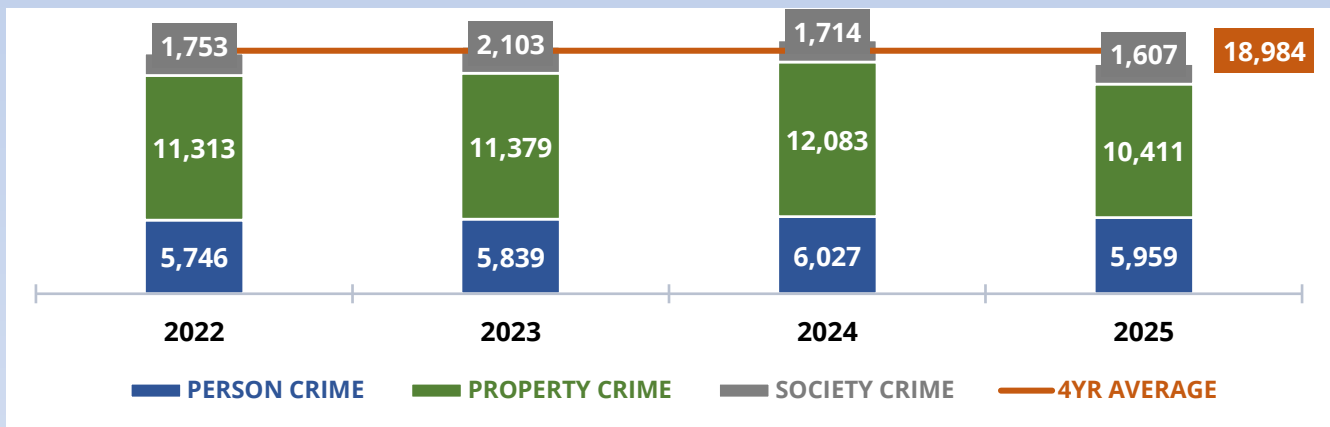
\*Violent Crime represents the select offenses of murder/non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object, aggravated assault, and robbery. Select Group A Offenses are listed on the next page.

# TOTAL CRIME

**TOTAL CRIME**, as measured by Group A Offenses under NIBRS<sup>2</sup>, fell **9.3%** in 2025, a difference of about 1,847 offenses. Crime is divided into three categories: Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, and Crimes Against Society.

**TOTAL CRIME**  
**▼ 9.3%**  
**COMPARED TO**  
 the previous year

CRIME CATEGORY	2024	2025	(+/-)#	(+/-)%
Crimes Against Persons	6,027	5,959	-62	▼ 1.1%
Crimes Against Property	12,083	10,411	-1,672	▼ 13.8%
Crimes Against Society	1,714	1,607	-1107	▼ 6.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19,824</b>	<b>17,977</b>	<b>-1,847</b>	<b>▼ 9.3%</b>



## OFFENSES: SELECT GROUP A OFFENSES

PART I CRIMES (UCR)	2024	2025	SELECT GROUP A OFFENSES
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	22	8	
All Rape <sup>5</sup>	105	98	
Aggravated Assault	923	775	
Robbery	226	173	
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	385	285	
All Larceny Offenses <sup>8</sup>	5,959	5,253	
Motor Vehicle Theft	949	793	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,544</b>	<b>7,361</b>	<b>41.1%</b> OF TOTAL CRIME
			<b>14.5</b> INCIDENTS per 1,000 residents

### TOTAL CRIME

**1.5%**

Major Injury Reported\*

**9.1%**

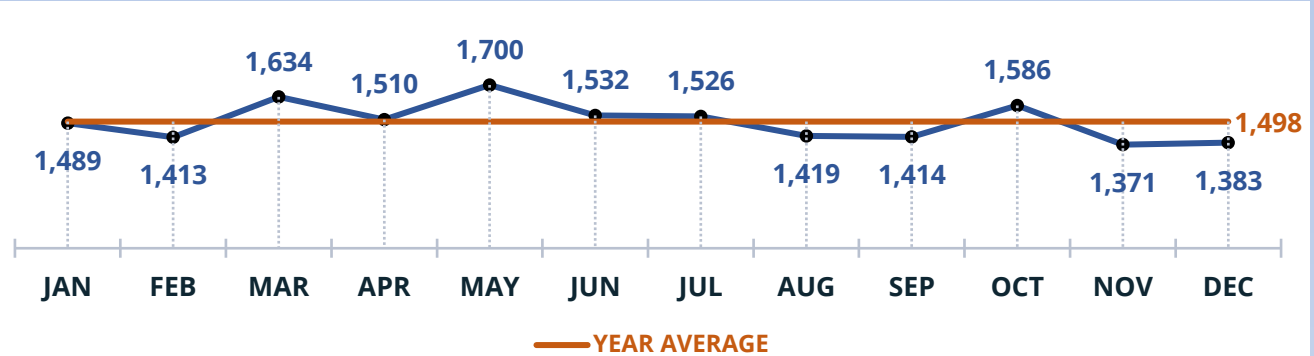
Stranger Offender\*

**4.3%**

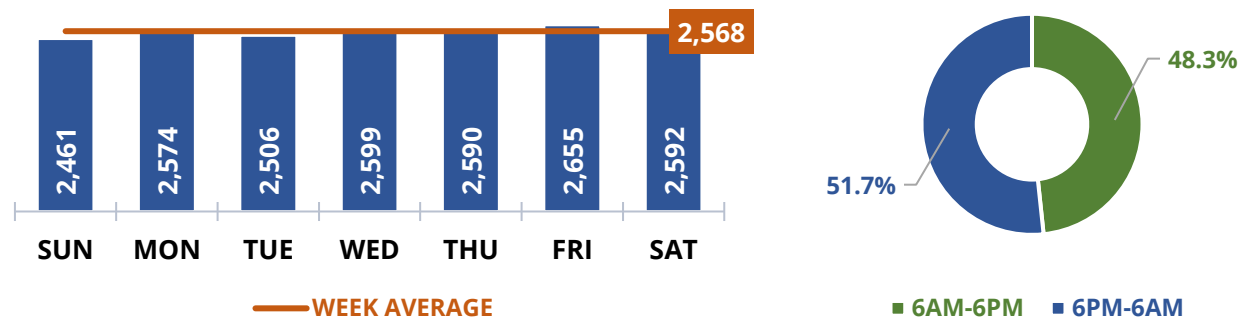
Weapon Used

*\*Calculations do not include Crimes Against Society due to victim classification.*

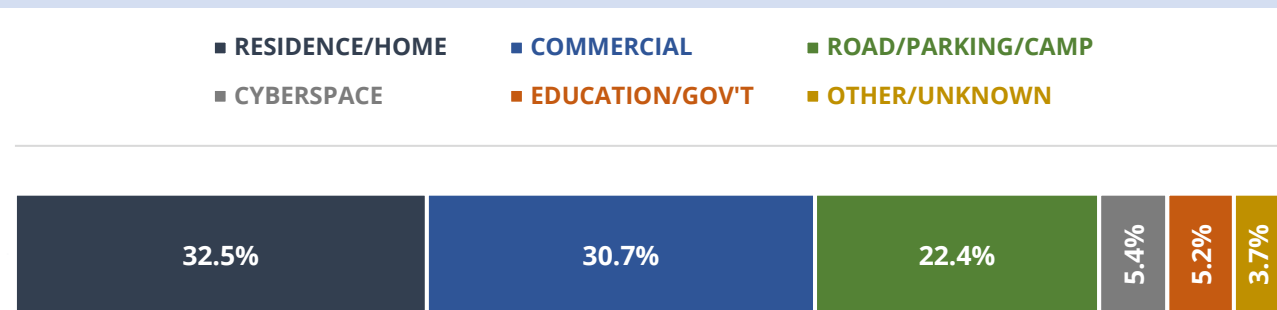
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### TOTAL CRIME BY DAY OF WEEK/TIME OF DAY

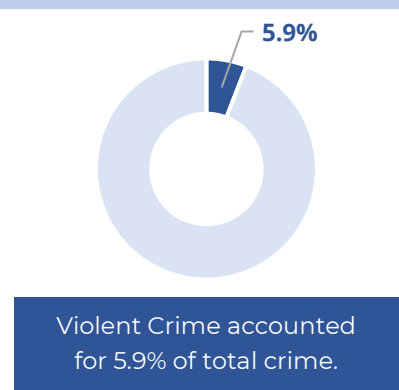
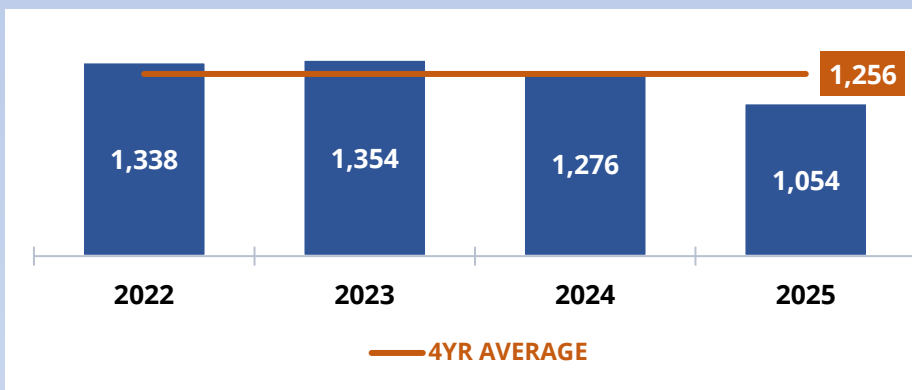


### TOTAL CRIME BY LOCATION



# VIOLENT CRIME

**VIOLENT CRIME fell 17.4%** in 2025 compared to the previous year. While historically low in comparison to overall crime, these offenses are identified as having significant impacts in the community. These crimes include the offenses of murder/non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object, aggravated assault, and robbery.



## HATE BIAS MOTIVATION

**HATE CRIMES** are not separate, distinct offenses, but rather reported crimes motivated by the offender's bias. Because of the difficulty of ascertaining the offender's subjective motivation, bias is reported only if the investigation reveals sufficient information to lead a reasonable and prudent person to conclude that the offender's actions were motivated, in whole or in part, by bias against race, religion, disability, ethnicity or sexual orientation.

The police department has taken a proactive position in documenting hate bias incidents, even if the circumstances do not entirely meet the above criteria. In 2025, the police department began listing hate crimes by quarter on our website. Most hate bias crimes are cases of vandalism. Rarely does the County see targeted violent crime to a person of a protected class. As with any crime, the police department's top priority is ensuring the safety of our residents and greater community. We encourage anyone who has been the victim of a crime to come forward and speak to us. For more information on our hate bias related crimes reported in 2025, visit our [website](#).

## VIOLENT CRIME

**24.0%**

Major Injury Reported

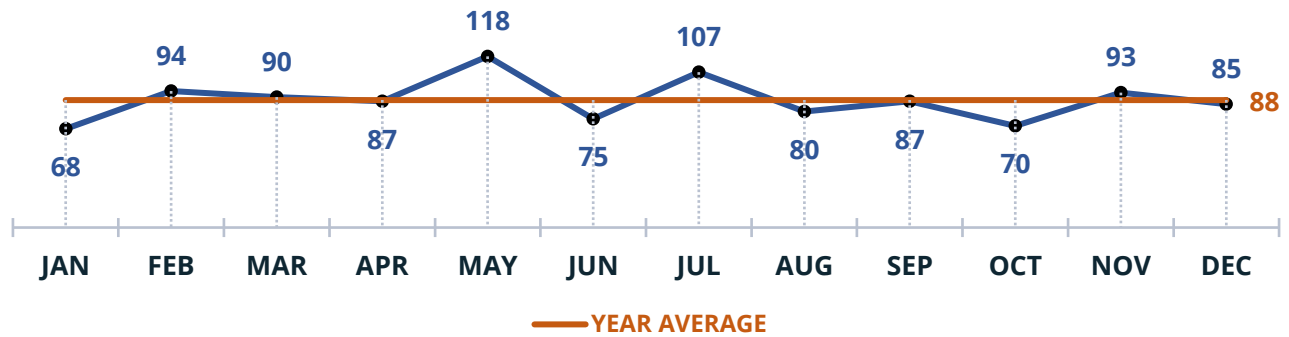
**25.2%**

Stranger Offender

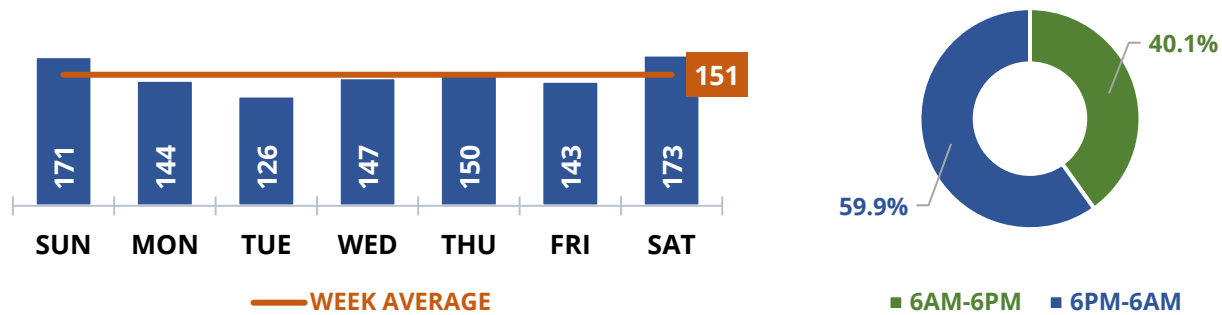
**47.8%**

Weapon Used

## VIOLENT CRIME BY MONTH

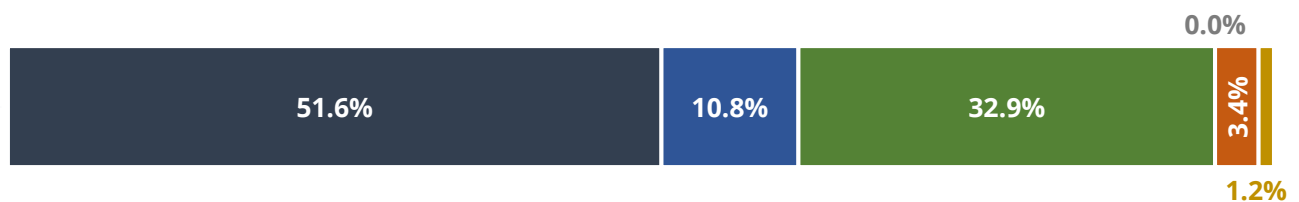


## VIOLENT CRIME BY DAY OF WEEK/TIME OF DAY



## VIOLENT CRIME BY LOCATION

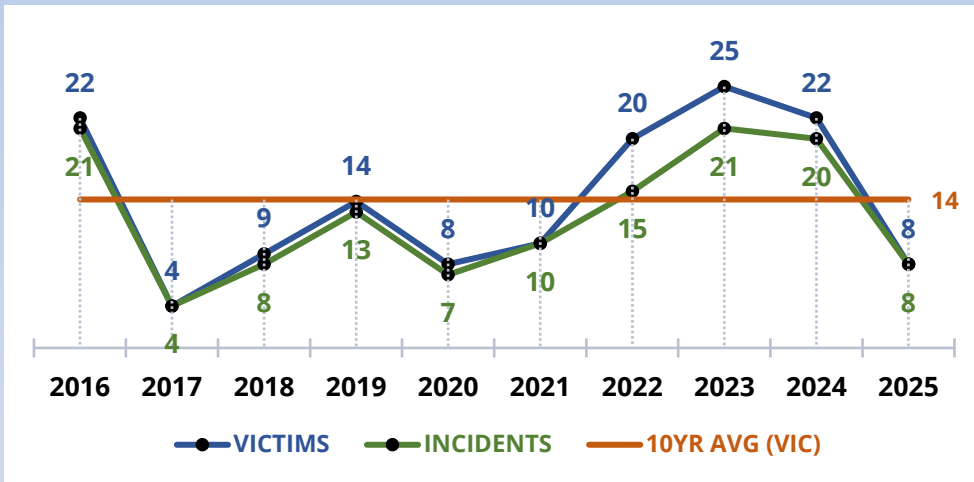
- RESIDENCE/HOME
- COMMERCIAL
- ROAD/PARKING/CAMP
- CYBERSPACE
- EDUCATION/GOV'T
- OTHER/UNKNOWN



# MURDER

**MURDER**, defined as the willful killing of one human being by another, is often considered the highest profile offense committed against a person. The classification of this offense is based solely on the police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, or jury. This classification does not include deaths caused by negligence, suicide, crashes, or justifiable homicides. Attempted murder or assault to murder are counted as aggravated assaults.

MURDERS  
**100%**  
 CLOSURE RATE  
 IN 2025



As illustrated in the chart, the number of murders has varied from year to year and has not followed a predictable pattern. The analysis of individual cases also does not reveal any indicators that can be directly correlated to the number of murders or their causes each year.

**In 2025, murders fell by 63.6% and all cases were cleared.** There were eight victims of murder in eight separate incidents. All murders that year were cleared with an arrest with, in some cases, multiple individuals being held accountable. **In all reported incidents the victim was known to the offender.**

**WEAPON/METHOD BREAKDOWN**

<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>
Firearm	Neglect/Abuse

**INCIDENTS BREAKDOWN**

<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
Domestic	Narcotics Related	Altercation

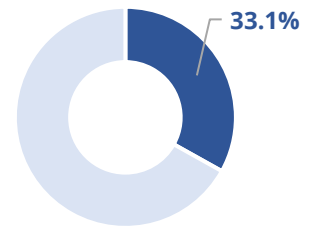
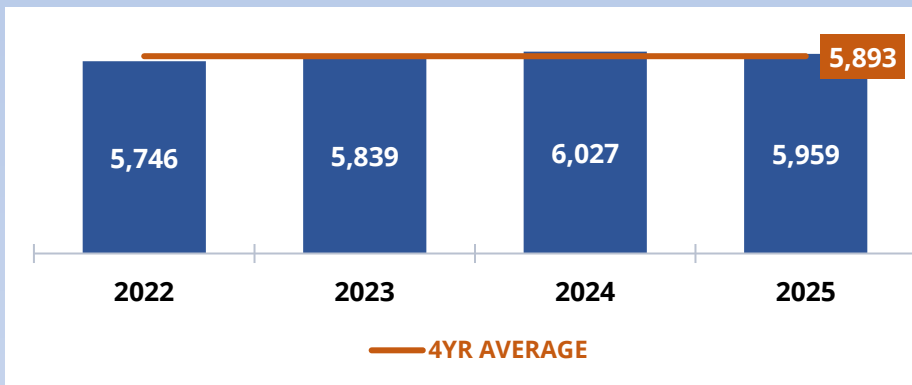
# CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

**CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS** fell **1.1%** in 2025 compared to the previous year. These crimes are counted by the number of victims, rather than reported incidents. As indicated, these offenses involve crimes in which an individual is the victim.

**PERSON CRIME**

**11.7**

**INCIDENTS**  
per 1,000 residents



Person Crime accounted for 33.1% of total crime.

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	2024	2025	(+/-)#	(+/-)%
Murder/Non-Neg. Manslaughter	22	8	-14	▼ 63.6%
Negligent Manslaughter	6	1	-5	▼ 83.3%
Kidnapping/Abduction	117	111	-6	▼ 5.1%
All Rape <sup>5</sup>	105	98	-7	▼ 6.7%
Other Sex Offenses <sup>6</sup>	212	211	-1	▼ 0.5%
Aggravated Assault	923	775	-148	▼ 16.0%
Simple Assault/Intimidation	4,635	4,754	119	▲ 2.6%
Human Trafficking	7	1	-6	▼ 85.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>5,959</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>▼ 1.1%</b>

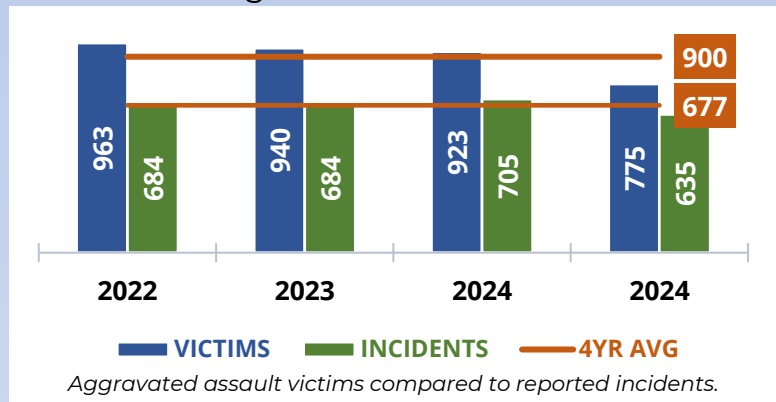
FORCIBLE RAPE		AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	
Offender was reportedly a stranger to the victim	<b>10.8%</b>	Offender was reportedly a stranger to the victim	<b>22.3%</b>
Victim reported major injury during the offense	<b>14.9%</b>	Victim reported major injury during the offense	<b>30.2%</b>
Offender reportedly used a firearm/dangerous weapon	<b>1.4%</b>	Offender reportedly used a firearm/dangerous weapon	<b>54.7%</b>

# ASSAULTS

## ASSAULTS: AGGRAVATED vs. SIMPLE

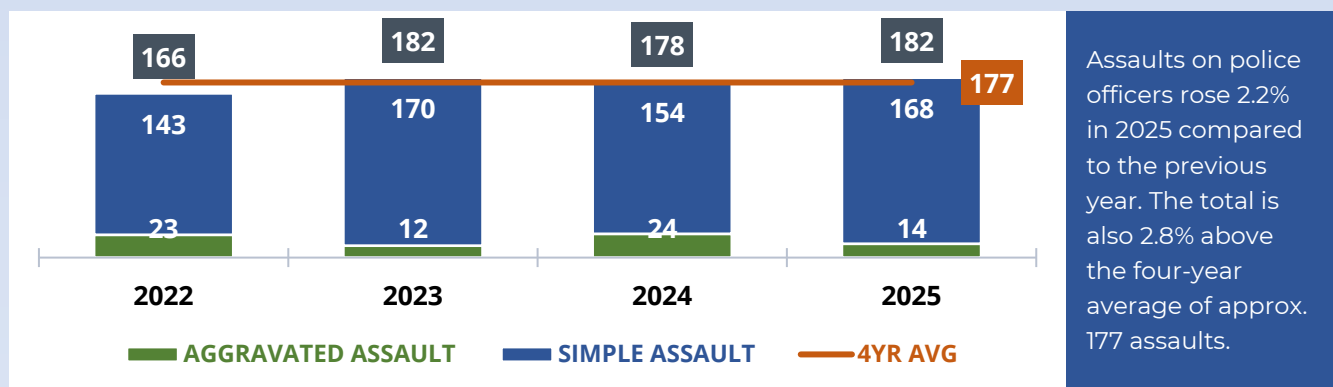
In 2025, **ALL ASSAULTS fell 0.7%** and accounted for approx. 88.1% of offenses in this category. The breakdown of assaults consisted of 85.3% simple and 14.7% aggravated. **Aggravated assaults fell 16.0%**, well below the four-year average of 900, and have continued to decline since 2022. Incidents involving a firearm, blunt object, or sharp instrument made up 8.0% of all assaults, while 4.4% of injuries sustained were reported to be major in nature. Most assaults were committed by a known party, with 13.9% being reported as a stranger offender.

As previously noted, Crimes Against Persons are counted by the number of victims, not incidents. This is notable due to incidents which may involve multiple victims. **In 2025, AGGRAVATED ASSAULT incidents fell 11.0%.**



## ASSAULTS ON PWC POLICE OFFICERS

Below is a snapshot of assaults committed against PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE OFFICERS. In 2025, there were 182 total assaults on officers, up from 178 assaults the previous year. While overall assaults on officers declined, **aggravated assaults, which are more serious in nature, fell 41.7%**. Officer injuries accounted for 30.2% of all assaults, mostly during simple assault encounters.



The chart above does not include the offense of intimidation which accounted for an additional 28 offenses in 2024.

## CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

**4.4%**

Major Injury Reported

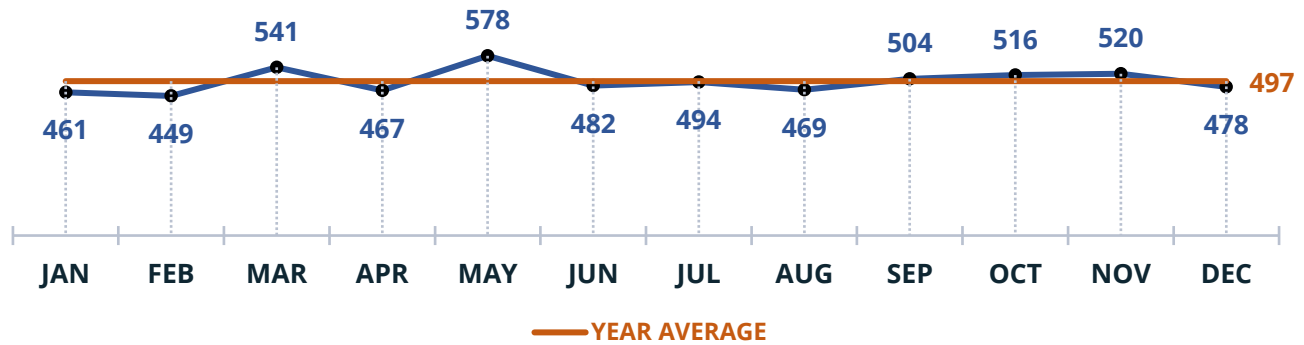
**14.9%**

Stranger Offender

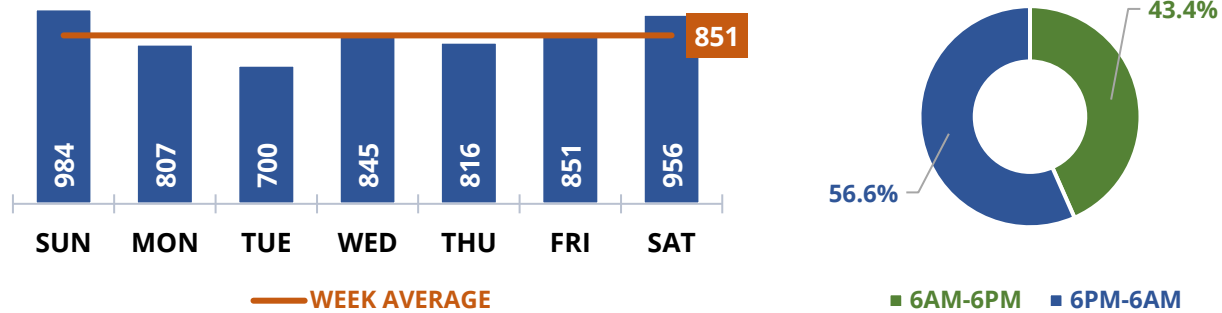
**7.6%**

Weapon Used

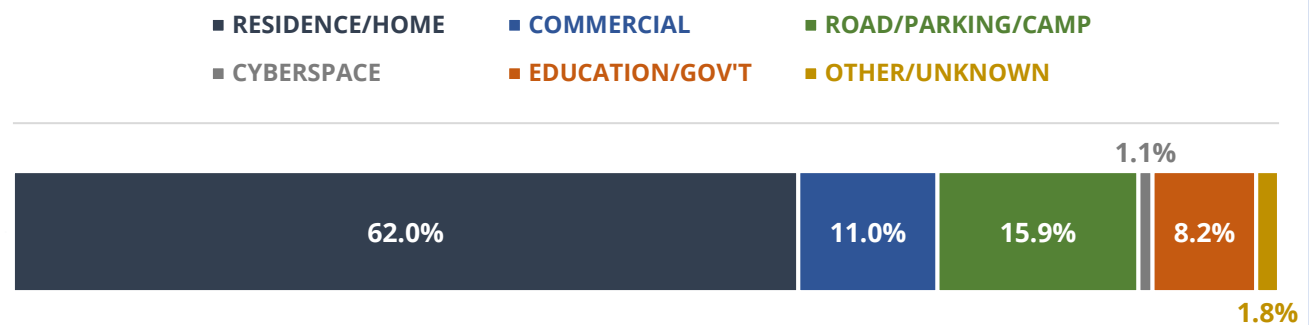
## CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS BY MONTH



## CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS BY DAY OF WEEK/TIME OF DAY



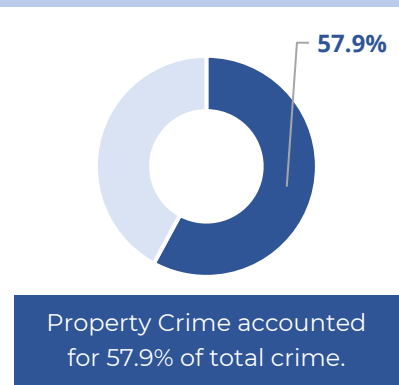
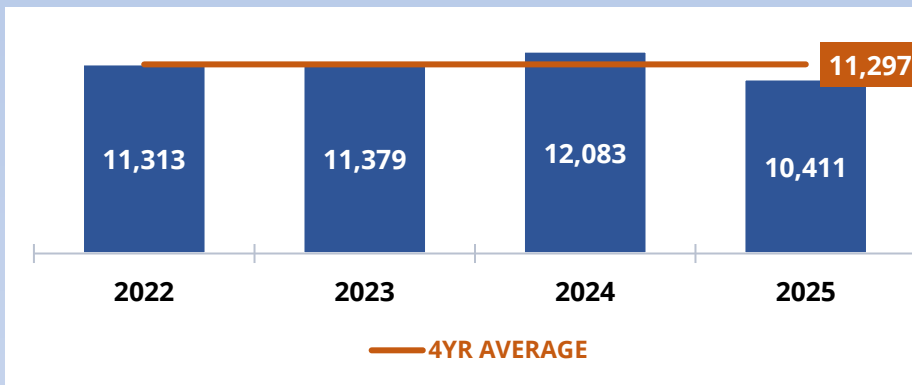
## CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS BY LOCATION



# CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

**CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY fell 13.8%** in 2025 compared to the previous year. These crimes are counted by the number of reported offenses, not involved victims. These offenses involve crimes in which property is the primary object.

**PROPERTY CRIME**  
**20.5**  
**INCIDENTS**  
 per 1,000 residents



CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY	2024	2025	(+/-)#	(+/-)%
Arson <sup>4</sup>	21	23	2	▲ 9.5%
Bribery	1	0	-1	N/A
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	385	285	-100	▼ 26.0%
Counterfeiting/Forgery*	175	138	-37	▼ 21.1%
Dest. of Property/Vandalism	1,542	1,287	-255	▼ 16.5%
Embezzlement*	49	79	30	▲ 61.2%
Extortion/Blackmail*	116	124	8	▲ 6.9%
All Fraud Offenses <sup>7*</sup>	2,159	1,850	-309	▼ 14.3%
Identity Theft*	361	292	-69	▼ 19.1%
Hacking/Computer Invasion*	48	28	-20	▼ 41.7%
Robbery	226	173	-53	▼ 23.5%
All Larceny Offenses <sup>8</sup>	5,959	5,253	-706	▼ 11.8%
Motor Vehicle Theft	949	793	-156	▼ 16.4%
Stolen Property Offenses	92	86	-6	▼ 6.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,083</b>	<b>10,411</b>	<b>-1,672</b>	<b>▼ 13.8%</b>

<sup>3</sup>Cyberspace was reported as the location type for 34.3% of the reported crimes for the specific offenses noted above and 88.8% of total crime.

Certain Crimes Against Property, such as robbery, could involve multiple victims or reports of injury, or varying force used by the offender. As with all crimes, context is important to gauge overall personal safety and property protection needs.

BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING*		ROBBERY	
Offense reported was a completed act	<b>81.8%</b>	Offense reported was a completed act	<b>86.7%</b>
Offense reported occurred at night (6pm-6am)	<b>57.2%</b>	Offense reported occurred at night (6pm-6am)	<b>49.7%</b>
Offender reportedly used force to enter location	<b>53.3%</b>	Victim reported major injury during the offense	<b>4.1%</b>
Location classification was residential	<b>57.2%</b>	Offender reportedly used a firearm/dangerous weapon	<b>42.2%</b>
Location classification was commercial	<b>31.2%</b>	Victim classification was an individual	<b>85.9%</b>

\*Burglary is unlawful entry to any structure with intent to commit a larceny or felony. According to the FBI, a structure is defined as having four walls, a roof, and a door or any house trailer or other mobile unit permanently fixed.

<b>STOLEN FIREARMS</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>▼ 21.3%*</b>
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\*Percentage noted as number of firearms stolen compared to the previous year.

ALL LARCENIES*		MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	
Offense reported was a completed act	<b>95.5%</b>	Offense reported was a completed act	<b>69.2%</b>
Victim classification was an individual	<b>44.4%</b>	Location classification was residential	<b>24.5%</b>
Theft of property reportedly from a vehicle	<b>17.5%</b>	Offense reported occurred at night (6pm-6am)	<b>66.8%</b>
<b>Number of firearms stolen from a vehicle</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>Number of vehicles recovered</b>	<b>454</b>

\*All larcenies include any offense of unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property belonging to another person.

# CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

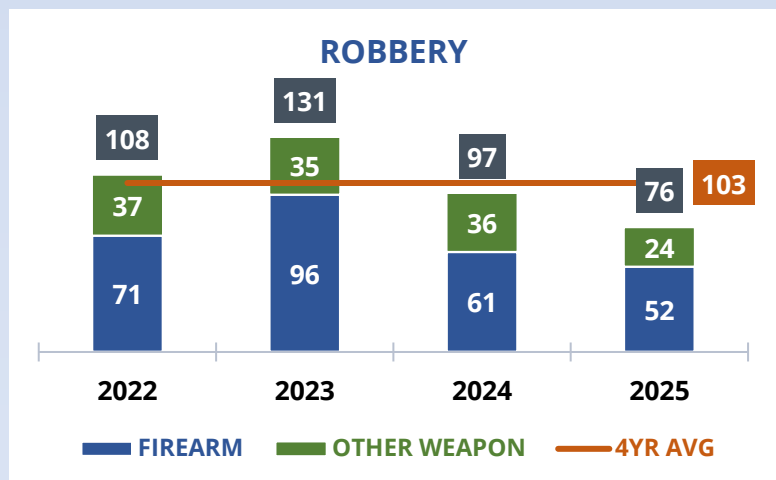
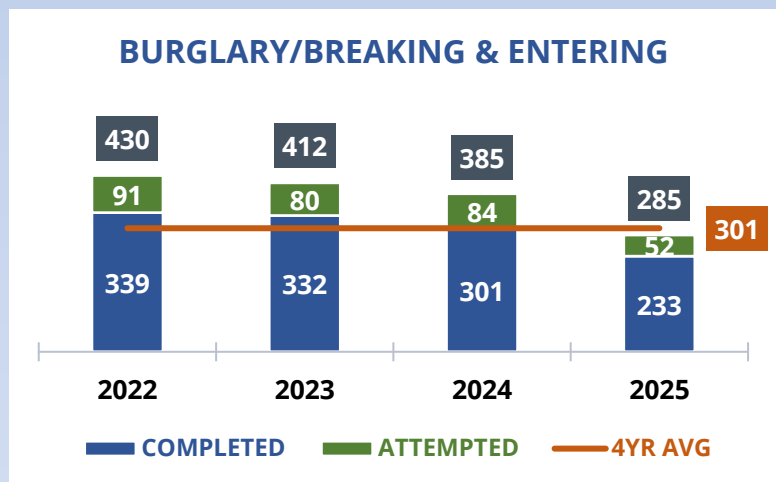
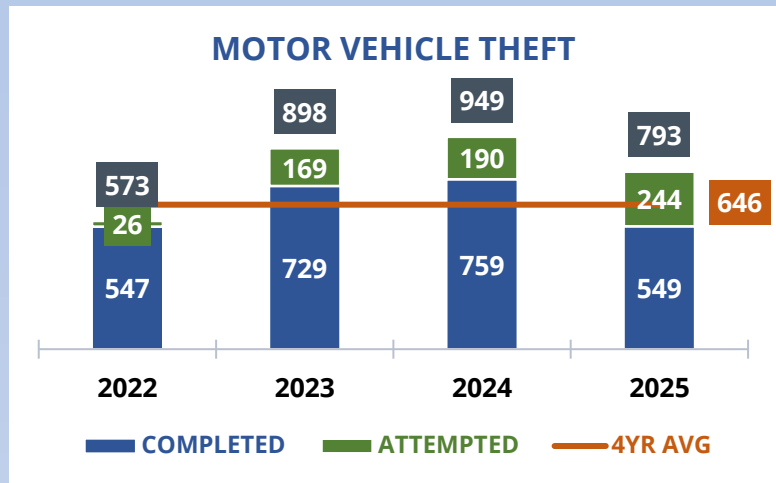
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Total Crime Against Property counts include both attempted and completed offenses which can be misleading.

For instance, **MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT** overall decreased by 16.4% in 2025; the number of completed acts, meaning the vehicle was actually taken, were considerably less than seen in both 2023 and 2024, decreasing by 27.7% from the previous year.

Additionally, **BURGLARY** continued to drop in 2025, falling 26.0%. Completed acts decreased 22.6%, lower than the four-year average of 301 offenses. The decreases in both overall offenses and completed acts were notably more than the decreases seen in the prior years displayed.

A **ROBBERY**, unlike larceny, involves taking property from a person by force, threat, or intimidation. In these offenses, the use of a weapon is a concern. In 2025, dangerous weapon use in robberies decreased 21.6%. Firearm use specifically fell by 14.8%, continuing to decline since 2023.



## CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

**91.6%**

Completed Offense

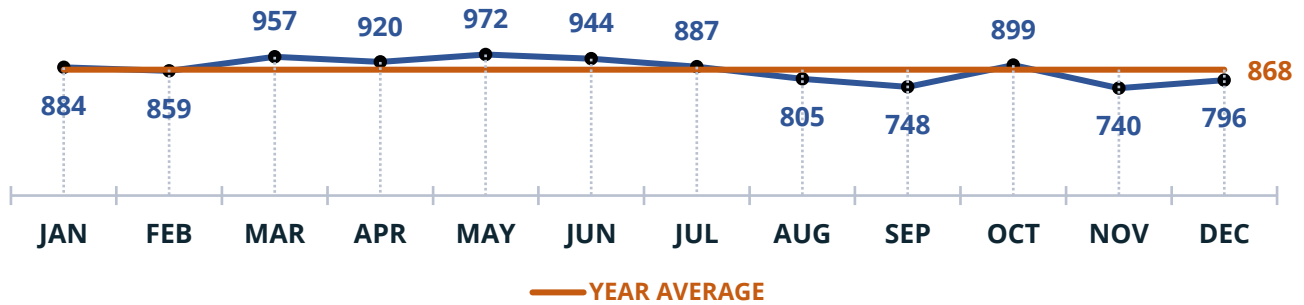
**60.2%**

Individual as Victim

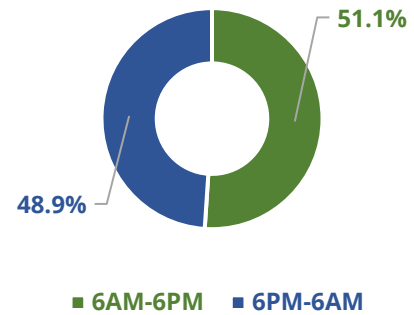
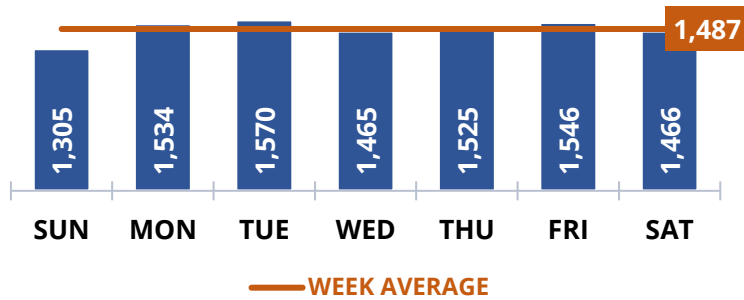
**37.0%**

Business as Victim

## CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY BY MONTH



## CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY BY DAY OF WEEK/TIME OF DAY



## CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY BY LOCATION

- RESIDENCE/HOME
- COMMERCIAL
- ROAD/PARKING/CAMP
- CYBERSPACE
- EDUCATION/GOV'T
- OTHER/UNKNOWN



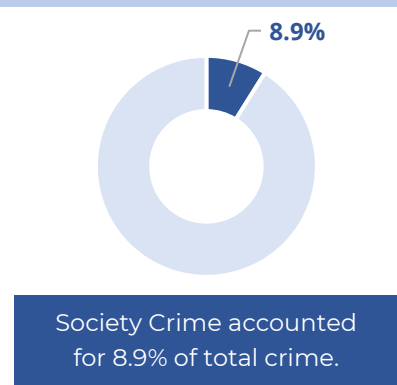
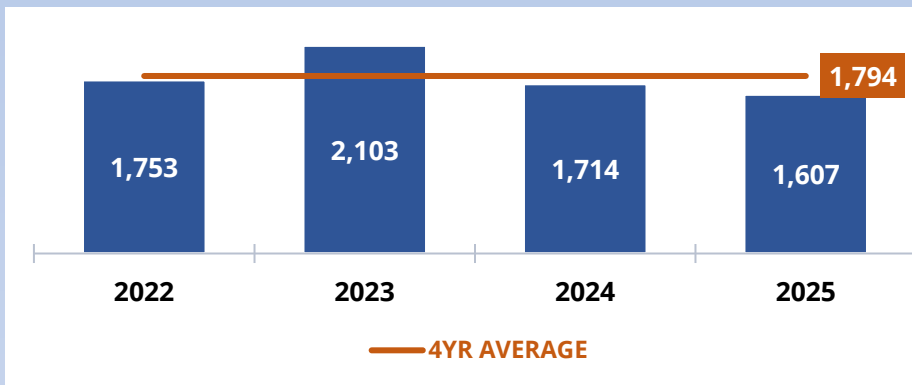
# CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY

**CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY fell 6.2%** in 2025 compared to the previous year. These offenses represent society's prohibition against engaging in deviant activity, such as gambling, drug use, and prostitution, or certain types of activity in which property is not the object.

**SOCIETY CRIME**

3.2

**INCIDENTS**  
per 1,000 residents



CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY	2024	2025	(+/-)\$	(+/-)%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	1,169	1,074	-95	▼ 8.1%
Drug Equipment Violations	74	38	-36	▼ 48.6%
All Gambling Offenses <sup>9</sup>	3	32	29	▲ 966.7%
Pornography/Obscene Material	111	98	-13	▼ 11.7%
All Prostitution Offenses <sup>10</sup>	6	22	17	▲ 340.0%
Weapon Law Violations	293	260	-33	▼ 11.3%
Animal Cruelty	59	83	24	▲ 40.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,714</b>	<b>1,607</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>▼ 6.2</b>

Visit the VA Department of Health [website](#) for the latest information available on overdoses deaths in the state. Due to the delay in results needed to determine cause of death, this information will no longer be provided in this report.

The Prince William County Police Department offers **MEDICATION DROP BOXES** at each of the three district police stations in Prince William County. These boxes, which are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, allow residents to safely dispose of unused and unwanted medications with no questions asked. To find a district police station closest to you for medication disposal, visit our [website](#).

## CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY

**26.2K**

Fentanyl Pills Seized

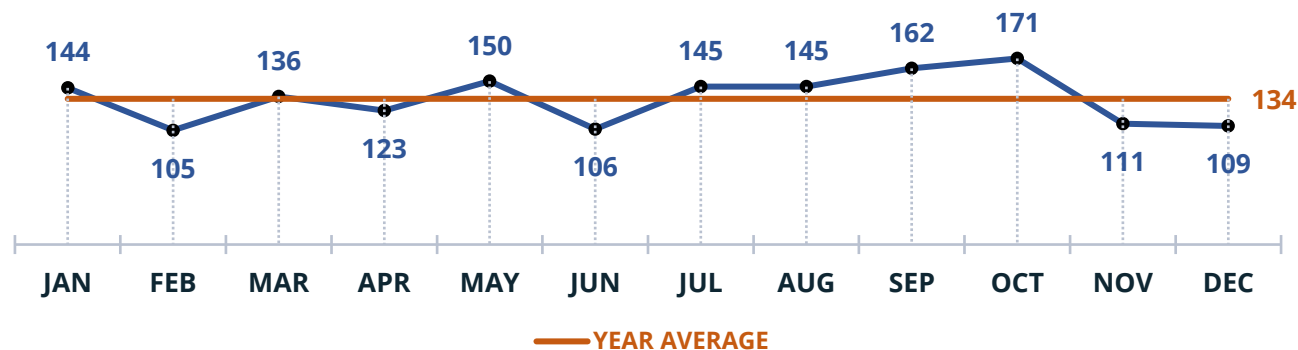
**12.4%**

Juvenile Offender

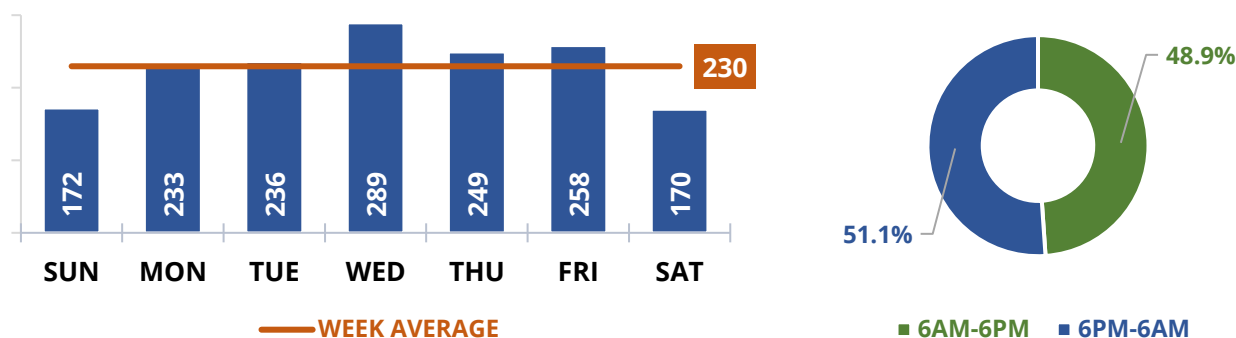
**15.1%**

Weapon Used

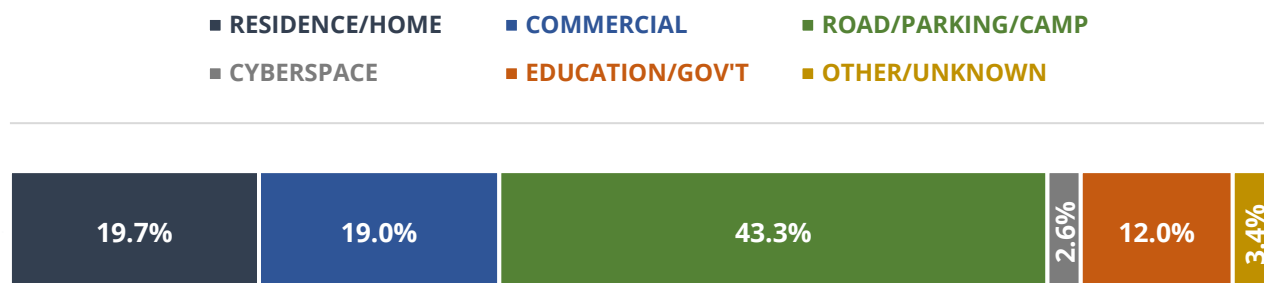
### CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY BY MONTH



### CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY BY DAY OF WEEK/TIME OF DAY



### CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY BY LOCATION



# ARRESTS

Law enforcement agencies report **ARREST DATA** for all persons apprehended in the commission of Group A or B Offenses defined by NIBRS. The arrest data includes information about the person arrested and the circumstances. Individual arrest data as recorded by NIBRS may not directly correlate with the clearance of specific offenses.



The following table reflects the number of adults and juveniles who were arrested for offenses committed this year compared to the previous year. In 2025, arrests for **Crimes Against Persons accounted for approx. 49.7% of arrests for Group A Offenses**. Additional arrests are often made during the year for offenses that were reported to have occurred in previous years as investigations progress, when offenses are reported in later years beyond when they occurred, or for incidents outside of Prince William County. **In 2025, officers made an additional 263 arrests related to these types of situations.**

ARREST BREAKDOWN	2024		2025	
Adult Arrests	8,430	91.2%	7,826	91.4%
Juvenile Arrests	806	8.7%	726	8.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,242</b>		<b>8,558</b>	

## ARRESTS: SELECT GROUP A OFFENSES

PART I CRIMES (UCR)	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Neg. Manslaughter	23	12
Forcible Rape	26	16
Aggravated Assault	392	396
Robbery	75	64
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	55	44
All Larceny Offenses <sup>8</sup>	1,150	1,095
Motor Vehicle Theft	108	66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>1,693</b>

## ARRESTS

**488**

Violent Crime Arrests

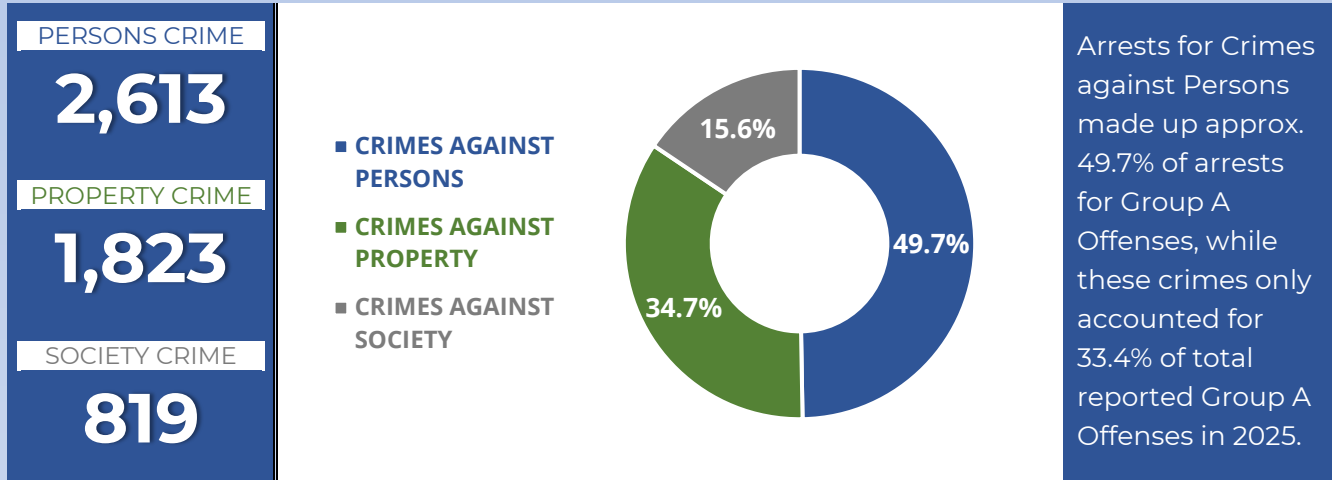
**79.3%**

County Resident Arrestee

**1,746**

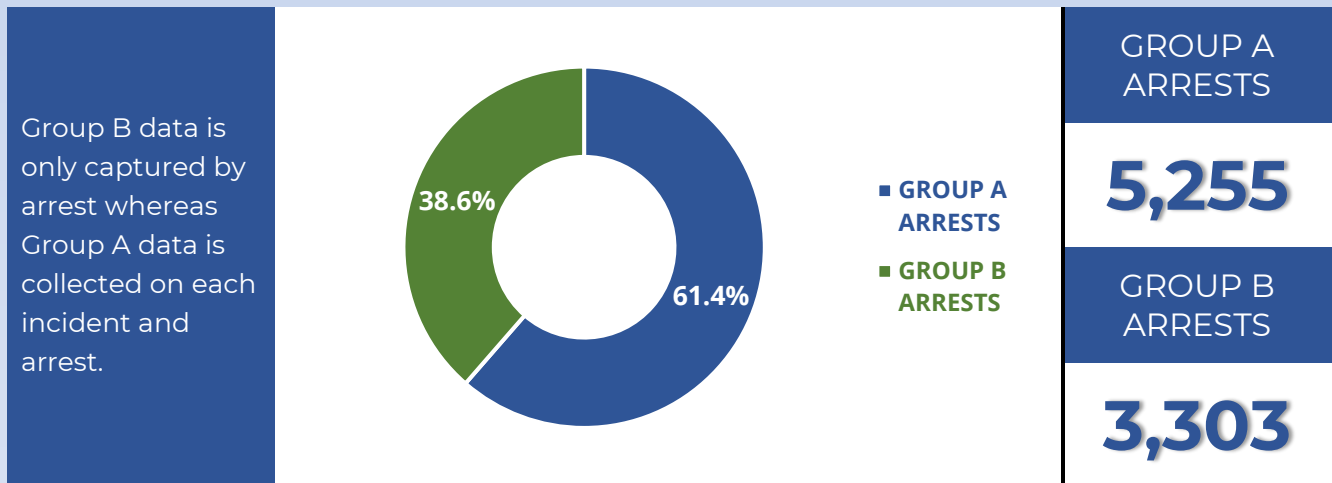
Domestic Arrests

### ARRESTS: GROUP A OFFENSE CATEGORIES COMPARISON



The above arrests comparison correlates to the date of incident, not date of arrest.

### ARRESTS: GROUP A VS GROUP B<sup>II</sup> COMPARISON



The above arrests comparison correlates to the date of incident, not date of arrest.

**ARMED\* ARRESTEES**

**2.5%**

\*Firearm or another dangerous weapon

For a more detailed breakdown of arrests for individual offenses in each group, visit the [Virginia State Police website](#).

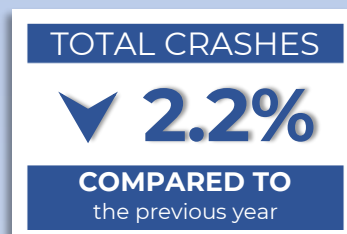
# CRASHES

CRASH BREAKDOWN	2024 (PWC)	2025 (PWC)	2025 PWC CRASH RATE
Total Reportable Crashes	4,869	4,763	<b>9.4</b>
Total Reportable Injuries	2,180	2,137	
Total Fatal Crashes	26	28	

Crash Rate decreased from 9.8 from the previous year. The rate is based on total reportable crashes per 1,000 residents.

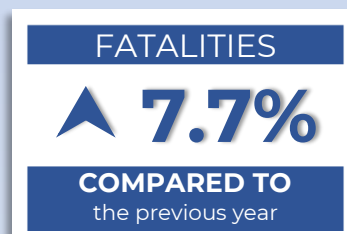
## REPORTABLE CRASHES

**TOTAL REPORTABLE CRASHES fell 2.2%** in 2025 compared to the previous year. In reviewing frequency of crashes, data showed the highest number of crashes occurred in the second quarter of the year, with the most reported in October at 436. During the average week, Friday was the peak day with 780 crashes. On a given day, crashes occurred more frequently between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., with the 5 p.m. hour seeing the highest at 407. Most crashes were found to be rear-end or angled collisions, approx. 68.7% of all crashes.



## FATAL CRASHES

**TOTAL FATAL CRASHES rose 7.7%**, from 26 victims to 28 compared to the previous year. Of note, the primary cause of seven of the crashes was excessive speed while six were the result of a pedestrian being at fault. More fatal crashes occurred in March than any other month, resulting in five deaths, while Thursday was the peak day of the week at six. Fatal crashes occurred more in the 5 a.m. and 10 p.m. hours, totaling three each hour. Driver inattention and failing to yield the right-of-way were factors in four and three crashes respectively.

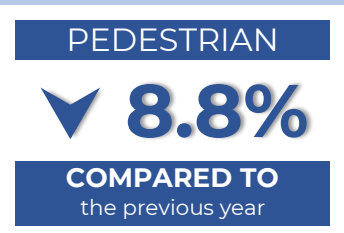


## COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE (CMV) SAFETY INSPECTIONS

#Total Trucks Inspected	#Total Inspection Hours	#Trucks Out of Service	#Total Hazmat Inspections
<b>480</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>30</b>

## PEDESTRIAN CRASHES (PWC)

**TOTAL PEDESTRIAN-RELATED CRASHES fell 8.8%** in 2025 from 91 to 83 compared to the previous year. In reviewing frequency of crashes, data showed the highest number of crashes occurred in the third quarter of the year at 25, with most reported in September at 12. During the average week, Friday was the peak day with 16 crashes. On a given day, crashes occurred more frequently between 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., accounting for 42 or about 50.6%. Fatal pedestrian-related crashes decreased by 11.1% in 2025 from nine to eight compared to the previous year.



## ROADWAY INCIDENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The **ROADWAY INCIDENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (RIMP)** identifies intersections in the County at high-risk of vehicle crashes. To determine safety impacts, the number of citations issued, amount of enforcement hours, and total crashes at these locations are compared to the previous year.

CENTRAL DISTRICT	EASTERN DISTRICT	WESTERN DISTRICT
Davis Ford/Evans Ford & Yates Ford	Cardinal/Neabsco & Rt. 1	Centreville & Orchard Bridge
Minnieville & Prince William Pkwy	Dale/Neabsco Mills & Potomac Center	Heathcote & Lee
Old Bridge & Oakwood	Fuller/Joplin & Rt. 1	Prince William Pkwy & University
Prince William Pkwy & Clover Hill	Minnieville & Spriggs	Sudley Manor & Sudley
Prince William Pkwy & Smoketown	Prince William Pkwy & I-95	Suldey & Balls Ford

<b>1,280</b>	<b>4,646</b>	<b>▼ 21.4%</b>
Citations Issued	Hours of Enforcement	Impact on Crashes*

\*Impact on crashes based on total number of crashes at listed RIMP locations compared to the previous year.

# ENFORCEMENT

ENFORCEMENT BY CITATIONS	2024	2025
Total Traffic Citations	34,794	35,893
Total Parking Citations	12,553	18,793

Traffic citations increased 3.2% from the previous year, while parking citations increased 49.7%.

TOP 5 MOVING VIOLATIONS	CITATIONS ISSUED	ARRESTS FOR IMPAIRED DRIVING
1. Speeding	7,471	
2. Disregard Traffic Light	1,881	
3. Reckless Driving	1,790	
4. Cell Phone Violation	1,383	
5. Stop Sign Violation	1,361	

Impaired driving arrests decreased 15.6% from the previous year.

## AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

The County's Automated Traffic Enforcement Program, overseen by the Department of Transportation, includes certain identified schools in the County and is expected to expand in the future. For more information about this program, visit the [County website](#).

SCHOOL LOCATION	IN SERVICE DATE	# OF VIOLATIONS
Battlefield HS	March 2024	2,098
Stuart M. Beville MS	January <b>2025</b>	7,548
Fannie W. Fitzgerald ES	October 2024	3,791
Patriot HS/T. Clay Wood ES	November 2024	2,283
Rippon MS (NB Only)	February <b>2025</b>	700
Woodbridge HS	April 2024	8,330

## COMMUNITY POLICING ACT

The Community Policing Act, which began July 1, 2020, requires law enforcement agencies to collect certain demographic data and other information related to vehicle stops and encounters by police. For a detailed breakdown of the Community Policing Act data for Prince William County, visit the [Virginia State Police website](#).

# END NOTES

## GENERAL REPORT NOTES

1. [Crime in Virginia](#), The Department of State Police.
2. Criteria for distinguishing between Group A and B Offenses can be found on the [Federal Bureau of Investigation \(FBI\) website](#).
3. “Cyberspace” is a distinction noted for offenses that occurred on the internet. Reporting guidelines require offenses that occurred on the internet to be reported with the location of cyberspace in the respective jurisdiction the victim resides.
4. “Arson” is investigated by the Department of Fire and Rescue, Fire Marshal’s Office. For more information about these crimes, [please contact their agency](#).
5. Data pertaining to offenses in the Crime Report reflects the date of the offense, as opposed to the reported date. This distinction gives a more accurate depiction of crimes that occurred in the County for the respective year represented. Rapes, for example, are known to be reported beyond the offense date.
  - “All Rape” includes forcible rape, forcible sodomy, and sexual assault with an object.

## NIBRS REFERENCE GROUP DEFINITIONS

Additional NIBRS definitions can be found on the [Federal Bureau of Investigation \(FBI\) website](#).

6. “Other Sex Offenses” includes criminal sexual contact, incest, and statutory rape.
7. “All Fraud Offenses” includes false presentences/swindle/confidence game, credit card/automatic teller fraud, impersonation, welfare fraud, and wire fraud.
8. “All Larceny Offenses” includes pocket-picking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, theft from a building, theft from coin operated machine or device, theft from motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle parts/accessories, and all other larceny.
9. “All Gambling Offenses” includes betting/wagering, operating/promoting/assisting gambling, gambling equipment violations, and sports tampering.
10. “All Prostitution Offenses” includes prostitution, assisting or promoting prostitution, and purchasing prostitution.
11. “Group B Offenses” includes curfew/loitering/vagrancy violations, disorderly conduct, driving under the influence, nonviolent family offenses, liquor law violations, trespassing, bad checks, drunkenness, peeping tom, and all other offenses.

## DISCLAIMER

The data captured in this section of the Annual Report is valid as of **March 2025**. Crime statistics and figures are known to change depending on the outcome of criminal investigations. The data detailed in this report represent a snapshot in time and was gathered in compliance with [National Incident-Based Reporting System](#) definitions and guidelines. As such, the number and categorization of offenses may differ when comparing the data over time. Crime data is collected by the Virginia State Police on a continual basis and updated accordingly.

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## EXECUTIVE STATEMENT

The data captured in this section of the Annual Report is valid for calendar year **2025**. It is the policy of the **Prince William County Police Department** to accept and investigate any complaint or allegation of misconduct against a department member.

The Police Department also reports and investigates all physical responses made by a department member and records any injuries while an individual is in police custody. These injuries include those sustained during a police action or response to resistance, and any pre-existing injuries prior to police contact, self-inflicted injuries, and accidental injuries.

To recognize a police department member, or provide feedback on our performance or your encounters, please visit our [website](#).

# PERFORMANCE

COMMUNITY CONTACTS	2025
Total Calls for Service (CFS)	214,934
Criminal Arrests*	8,821
Traffic Summonses Issued	35,893
Parking Citations Issued	18,793
Reportable Motor Vehicle Crashes	4,763

\*Criminal arrests total based on calendar year.

COMPLAINTS	2025
Total Complaints	95
Community Complaints	47%
Internal Complaints	53%
Sustained Complaints	39
Bias/Racial Profiling Complaints	0
Excessive Force Complaints	2
Complaint Ratio <sup>^</sup>	0.21

<sup>^</sup>Complaint ratio determined by number of community complaints compared per 1,000 calls for service.

RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE	2025
RTR Used (of arrests)	5.3%
RTR Investigations (all encounters)	651
Confirmed RTR (all encounters)	638
Complaints of Injury	193
Transport to Medical Facility	45
Serious Injury	0
Fatal Injury*	2
Canine Used in Apprehension	32
Canine Uses Resulting in Bite	1

\*The Police Department experienced two separate deadly force incidents in 2025. A brief synopsis of each incident is provided on page 50.

# COMPLAINTS

The Police Department accepts and investigates complaints and allegations of misconduct, including anonymous complaints. In doing so, the Department strives to be fair to both the complainants and the members involved. The Department also seeks to impose disciplinary actions as necessary in a fair and impartial manner.

Total Complaints	Internal	Community
<b>95</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>45</b>

## DEFINITIONS OF FINDINGS

- **SUSTAINED** | There is sufficient evidence to justify a formal finding of wrongdoing under a General Order, departmental directive, County rule or ordinance, or other law typically accompanying formal disciplinary action.
- **UNFOUNDED** | The allegation is false or otherwise not factually supported; or the complaint did not involve police personnel from this Department.
- **INFORMAL FINDING** | The alleged act did occur but did not rise to the level of a formal policy violation such that discipline is needed to correct the behavior. Informal findings are usually accompanied by squad level guidance, counseling, or remedial training, and by definition, cannot result in formal disciplinary actions.
- **EXONERATED** | The alleged act did occur but was lawful and in accordance with Department policy. Exoneration is a finding that the act was justified and lawful.
- **NOT SUSTAINED** | There is insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation.

	Exonerated	Informal Finding	Not Sustained	Sustained	Unfounded
Community	11	9	2	4	19
Internal	0	9	1	35	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>24</b>

# DISCIPLINE

## DISCIPLINE IMPOSED

Type of Discipline	%	Type of Discipline	%
Written Reprimand	<b>53%</b>	Training	<b>4%</b>
Suspension	<b>10%</b>	Transfer	<b>4%</b>
Loss of Leave	<b>8%</b>	Verbal Reprimand	<b>4%</b>
Probation	<b>4%</b>	Dismissal*	<b>2%</b>
Termination	<b>4%</b>	Other	<b>6%</b>

\*Dismissal applies to members who were released during their probationary employment period.

## TOP ALLEGATIONS

Internal Complaints	Community Complaints
Not Following Procedures	Not Following Procedures
Unprofessionalism	Unprofessionalism
Fail to Properly Investigate	Fail to Properly Investigate

Complaints may have numerous allegations and involve more than one officer. Unprofessionalism encompasses specific complaints of discourtesy, rudeness, demeanor, and general conduct.

## BIASED/PROFILING & EXCESSIVE FORCE

In 2025, the Police Department had no sustained complaints of bias/racial profiling or excessive force. Allegations of this nature are taken very seriously. **In 2025, there were two complaints of excessive force; however, following an extensive investigation into both cases, the allegations were determined to be unfounded.** Over the past five years, there has been NO SUSTAINED COMPLAINTS of either bias/racial profiling or excessive force.

Bias/Racial Profiling Complaints	Excessive Force Complaints
<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

# RESISTANCE

The Police Department investigates all instances in which members physically respond to a resistor to effect or maintain a lawful arrest or detention. Accidental, self-inflicted, and pre-existing injuries to prisoners are also investigated. The Department’s Response to Resistance Policy can be accessed on our [website](#).

## RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE (RTR) ANALYSIS

**In 2025, NO PHYSICAL ACTION was necessary in 94.7% of all lawful arrests or detentions made by officers.** The Police Department conducted investigations into 651 separate encounters. As a result, physical action was determined to have been used to effect a lawful arrest or detention in 638 of those investigations, while 13 were deemed no physical action was used by definition.

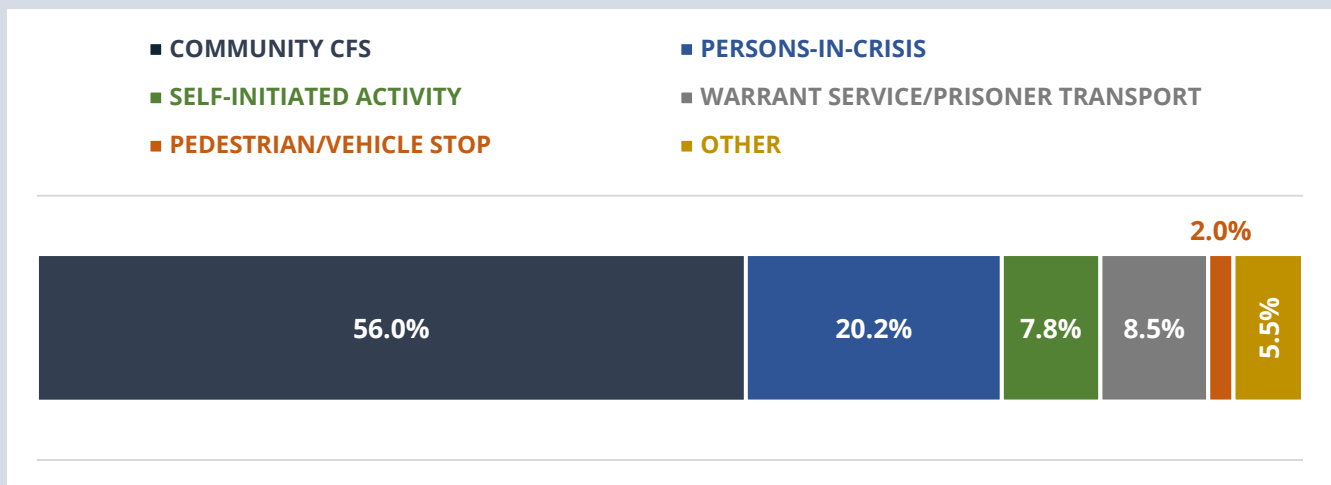
**RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE (RTR)** is defined as an officer using any physical action, up to and including tools and equipment, to overcome resistance from an individual who is being lawfully detained or arrested. Investigations are also conducted into any action that results in an injury, or mere complaint of injury, during the process of making or assisting with a lawful arrest or detention.

<b>93%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
Physical	Oleoresin Capsican	Electronic Restraint	Firearm	Impact Weapon	Police Canine

Type of Response Tool	Black	Hispanic (any race)	White	Other*
No Tool, Equipment, or Weapon	293	133	145	21
Oleoresin Capsican (Pepper Spray)	18	10	3	1
Electronic Restraint (Taser)	3	1	2	1
Firearm (Deadly Force)	0	0	2	0
Impact Weapon	1	1	0	0
Police Canine	0	0	0	1
<b>Response to Resistance</b>	<b>49.5%</b>	<b>22.9%</b>	<b>23.9%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>41.3%</b>	<b>30.5%</b>	<b>24.9%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>

\*The “OTHER” race group includes persons of Asian, American Indian or Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander decent. Races noted as unknown or refused are also included as “OTHER”.

RTR investigations are broken down below by call type. 'Community Call for Service (CFS)' includes any incident received from a community member that is not included in one of the other designated call types; such as shoplifting, trespass, disorderly, etc. 'Self-Initiated Activity' includes incidents that occur during an officer's proactive duties such as foot patrols, traffic direction, follow-up activities or other instances where an officer encounters or witnesses an incident.



### ARREST/IN-CUSTODY INJURIES

In 2025, the Police Department documented and investigated 688 individuals who reported an injury while in police custody. Most of the reported instances, 495 individuals, or about 72%, were determined to have pre-existing injuries sustained prior to police contact, self-inflicted injuries, or injuries as the result of an accident while in police custody, such as an individual who trips or slips while being escorted by an officer.

Of the total reported injuries, 193 individuals, or about 28%, reported some type of injury sustained from a police action or response to resistance incident. In those specific encounters, 45 individuals sought treatment at a medical facility; 30 individuals were treated for a complaint of pain or minor injuries; and 26 were treated for an abrasion or laceration.

# DEADLY FORCE

In 2025, members of the Police Department were involved in two separate fatal incidents where deadly force was used. Below is a brief synopsis of these incidents.

In April 2025, members of the Police Department responded to an assisted living facility in Lake Ridge to investigate a person suffering from a mental health crisis. When officers arrived, the suspect, a 26-year-old man who was a family member of a resident, was armed with a knife and approached officers, refusing to follow commands. The officers immediately engaged the suspect who then turned towards an elderly family member still armed with the weapon. Officers fired their weapons towards the suspect who was fatally shot.

In July 2025, members of the Police Department responded attempted to take a 52-year-old man into custody who had reportedly been connected to several prior encounters where he was alleged to have brandished weapons in unprovoked incidents with unsuspecting victims not known to him. Eventually, officers located the suspect sitting in a vehicle near a shopping center in Woodbridge where a standoff occurred for several hours as officers attempted a peaceful surrender. At one point, the suspect exited the vehicle, armed with a crossbow, and began running towards the shopping center with patrons present. An officer then fired their weapon toward the suspect who was fatally shot.

In both of the above encounters, the incidents were investigated by the regional Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT). The Commonwealth's Attorney's Office reviewed the findings and declined to pursue criminal charges in either case. After the criminal ruling on the incidents, a separate administrative review was conducted by the Critical Incident Review Board, no violations of policy were noted in either incident.

For more information on these incidents, please contact the Police Department's [Communications & Public Information Section](#).

# EARLY INTERVENTION

The Office of Professional Standards is responsible for administering the **EARLY IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (EIS)**, a database that flags members when specified criteria occur. The goal of this system is to reduce potential negative consequences for the member, fellow members, the agency, and our community. EIS is used to identify and assess member performance and intervene where appropriate.

The Police Department categorizes all response to resistance (RTR) encounters into three levels

- **LEVEL ZERO** | minor force to move hands for cuffing, someone refusing to exit a vehicle, or force used to prevent self harm.
- **LEVEL ONE** | physical or chemical force where there was no or minor injury.
- **LEVEL TWO** | force involving electronic restraint, impact device, canine, or firearms and/or serious injury such as major bleeding, broken bones, or any treatment at a medical facility.

When any member has been involved in two or more sustained or not sustained complaints, or when any sworn member has been involved in three or more Level Two RTR incidents, five Level One RTR incidents, or any combination of five RTR incidents in any six-month period, an EIS investigation will be initiated.

- In 2025, there were 13 EIS activations involving 13 separate members. Of the total activations, 12 were the result of physical resistance in the course of a lawful arrest or detention, while one resulted from a complaint investigation.
- In each EIS Alert involving physical resistance in 2025, all underlying RTR incidents were re-examined, and no further action was warranted. No patterns of excessive force were found in any of these EIS cases.

In reviewing EIS Alert related to complaints, personal and off-duty difficulties are explored. All members who receive an EIS alert investigation are reminded of the Police Department's Wellness and Resilience Services.

For more information on Police Department policies, visit our [website](#).

# ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

## VEHICLE PURSUITS ANALYSIS

In 2025, the Police Department engaged in nine pursuits which were thoroughly investigated and found to be within the parameters of current pursuit policy. Eight pursuits were initiated due to felony charges, while one was initiated based on suspicion of impaired driving.

Five pursuits occurred between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., while four occurred between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Four pursuits involved speeds of more than 65MPH.

A supervisor terminated three pursuits; two offenders were apprehended in other jurisdictions, while one evaded arrest. One pursuit ended when the suspect voluntarily stopped and was apprehended; four pursuits ended in a crash where at least one arrest was made; and the suspect in the remaining pursuit evaded apprehension.

The Police Department's Pursuit Policy can be found on our [website](#).

## GRIEVANCES ANALYSIS

In 2025, there were two grievances filed against the Police Department. One grievance is still active, while the other was overturned.

Historically, in the last 20 years, there have been no more than two grievances filed in a single year. We attribute this to the quality of investigations and consistent discipline levied to members. There is also a culture within the Department of recognizing when mistakes are made and taking corrective action when necessary.

All members receiving discipline are provided with options on steps to take should they wish to appeal or grieve discipline. Both hard copy pamphlets and online access to information are accessible to all employees.

## LAWSUITS ANALYSIS

In 2025, six lawsuits were initiated or filed against members of the Police Department. Three cases remain active, while three were dismissed.

# OATH OF HONOR

On my honor, I will never betray my integrity, my character, or the public trust.

I will treat all individuals with dignity and respect and ensure that my actions are dedicated to ensuring the safety of my community and the preservation of human life.

I will always have the courage to hold myself and others accountable for our actions.

I will always maintain the highest ethical standards and uphold the values of my community, and the agency I serve.

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