

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

Violent Crime Rates

Highlights

- OPM CJPPD recently updated its analysis of data published in the FBI's annual *Crime in the United States*. The adjacent table depicts the annual change in each state's violent crime rate, as well as the total change from 2012-2016.
- Despite increasing by 2.6% in 2016, Connecticut's violent crime rate (reported violent crimes per 100,000 residents) has dropped more than any other state since 2012, falling 20%.
- Connecticut's Violent Crime rate went from 18th in the nation in 2012 to 6th in 2015 and 5th in 2016.

Tables

Violent Crime Rate-percent change to prior year

State	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2012-2016
Connecticut	-8%	-10%	-7%	3%	-20%
New Jersey	0%	-10%	-2%	-4%	-16%
Florida	-4%	15%	-14%	-7%	-12%
Pennsylvania	-6%	-6%	0%	0%	-11%
South Carolina	-9%	-2%	0%	0%	-10%
New Hampshire	4%	-12%	3%	-2%	-8%
Delaware	-9%	-2%	3%	1%	-8%
New York	-3%	-3%	0%	-1%	-7%
Massachusetts	0%	-4%	0%	-3%	-7%
Rhode Island	2%	-15%	11%	-2%	-6%
Oklahoma	-6%	-9%	6%	5%	-5%
Maryland	0%	-6%	5%	0%	-1%
Tennessee	-8%	4%	2%	2%	-1%
Ohio	-3%	-2%	4%	1%	0%
Michigan	-1%	-6%	-2%	9%	1%
Maine	8%	-4%	2%	-5%	1%
Washington	-3%	-2%	0%	6%	1%
North Dakota	11%	-3%	-3%	-2%	2%
Kentucky	-6%	0%	6%	4%	3%
Georgia	-1%	1%	1%	4%	5%
Illinois	-3%	-8%	5%	13%	5%
Minnesota	2%	-2%	6%	0%	5%
California	-5%	-2%	8%	4%	5%
North Carolina	-4%	-3%	5%	8%	5%
Texas	0%	-1%	2%	5%	6%

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State	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2012-2016
Kansas	-4%	2%	13%	-4%	7%
Oregon	-2%	-4%	14%	0%	7%
Wisconsin	-1%	3%	5%	1%	8%
Mississippi	7%	0%	-2%	2%	8%
Iowa	3%	0%	1%	5%	9%
Arizona	-3%	-4%	3%	15%	10%
Idaho	3%	-1%	2%	6%	10%
Vermont	-13%	-20%	20%	33%	11%
Nevada	-1%	5%	10%	-3%	11%
Colorado	-1%	1%	3%	8%	11%
West Virginia	-5%	-1%	15%	3%	12%
Nebraska	2%	6%	-3%	7%	12%
Virginia	3%	-1%	2%	9%	14%
Louisiana	5%	-1%	5%	5%	14%
Missouri	-4%	2%	13%	4%	15%
Utah	10%	-6%	11%	2%	17%
Arkansas	-1%	4%	10%	4%	17%
Indiana	4%	2%	5%	5%	17%
Alabama	-4%	-1%	11%	13%	18%
Wyoming	3%	-6%	13%	10%	21%
New Mexico	11%	-4%	10%	7%	26%
Hawaii	5%	2%	-4%	25%	27%
South Dakota	0%	1%	18%	9%	29%
Montana	3%	12%	9%	4%	32%
Alaska	6%	0%	15%	10%	33%

Note: These figures represent the annual percent change in each state's violent crime rate. Analysis excludes Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia.