

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE

2005 YEAR END

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2005 compared to 2004

Year End

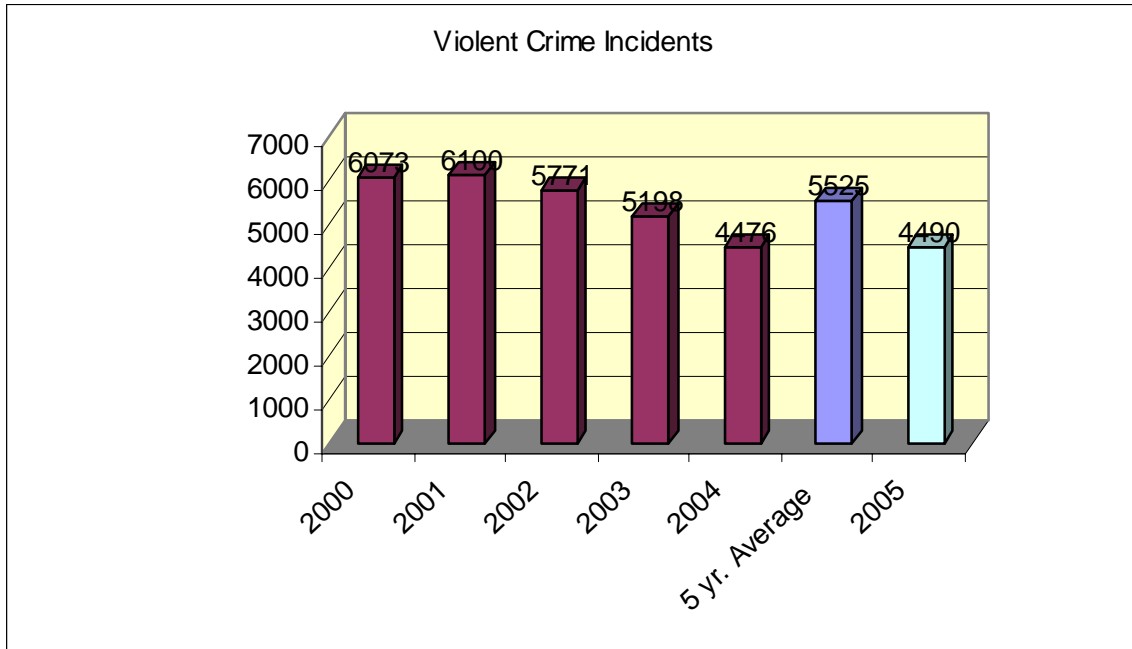
CRIME STATISTICS

OFFENCE	2004 Year End	2005 Year End	CHANGE
Murder	10	10	No change
Attempt Murder	7	6	-14 %
Abductions	12	8	-33 %
Sexual Offences	507	423	-17 %
Assaults	3383	3390	-0.2%
Robberies	558	653	+17 %
Housebreaking	1973	2052	+4 %
Other Break & Enter	2019	2035	+0.8 %
Theft - Motor Vehicle	3476	3863	+11 %
Theft Over \$5,000	177	183	+3 %
Theft Under \$5,000	9725	9069	- 7 %
Fraud	1107	1149	+4 %

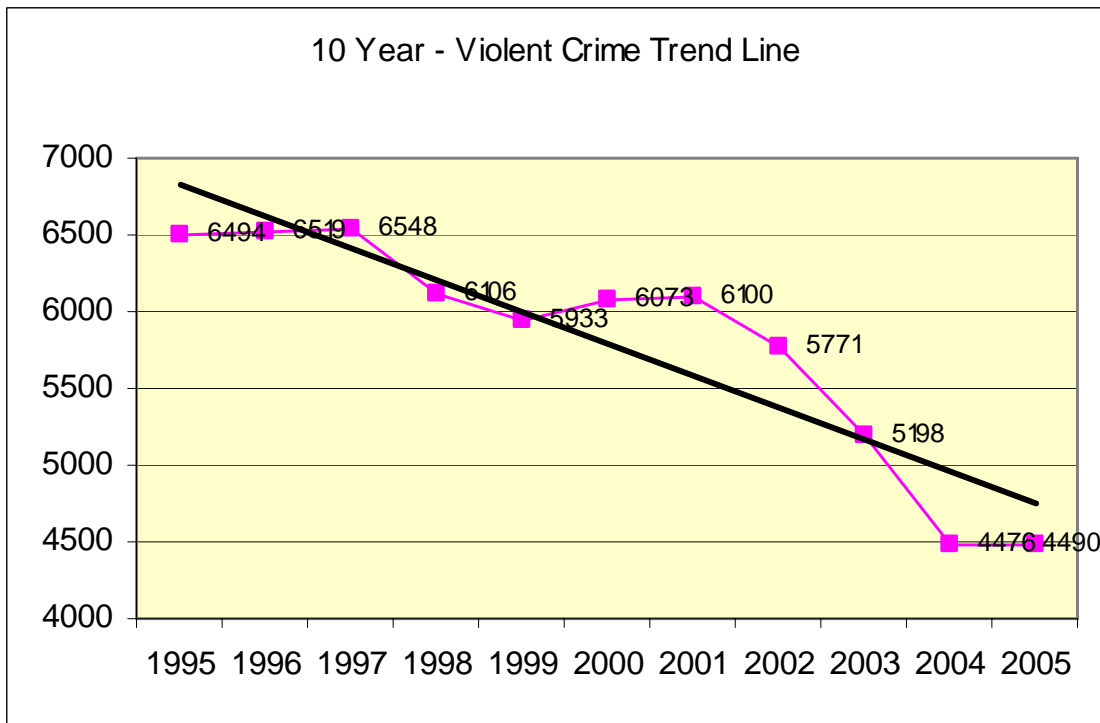
This table outlines the 2005-Year End Crime Statistics compared to 2004-Year End levels. We see a slight increase in some Property Crimes; especially Theft of Vehicles and some Violent Crimes; in particular Robberies. But it is also just as important to compare 2005-Year End Crime statistics to the last five-year average and also trends over the past ten years. These comparisons are reflected in the following report.

Violent Crimes:

The total number of Violent Crime Incidents has **decreased by 19-% comparing 2005 figures to the past five-year average.**

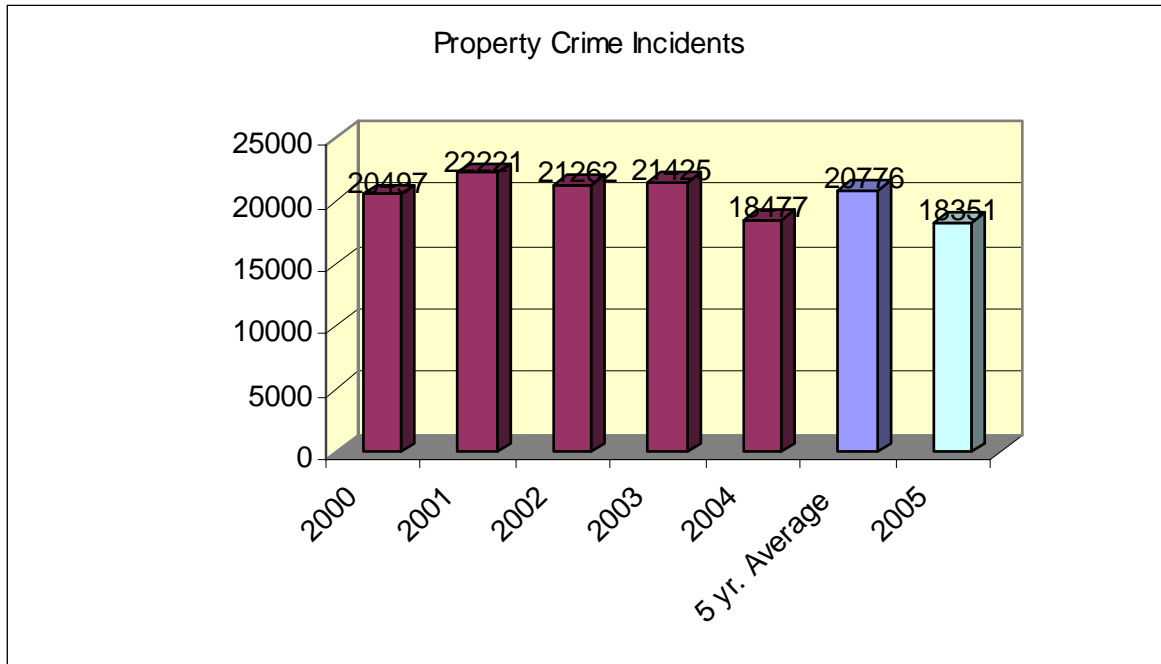


We also observe a downward trend line over the last 10 years for Violent Crimes.

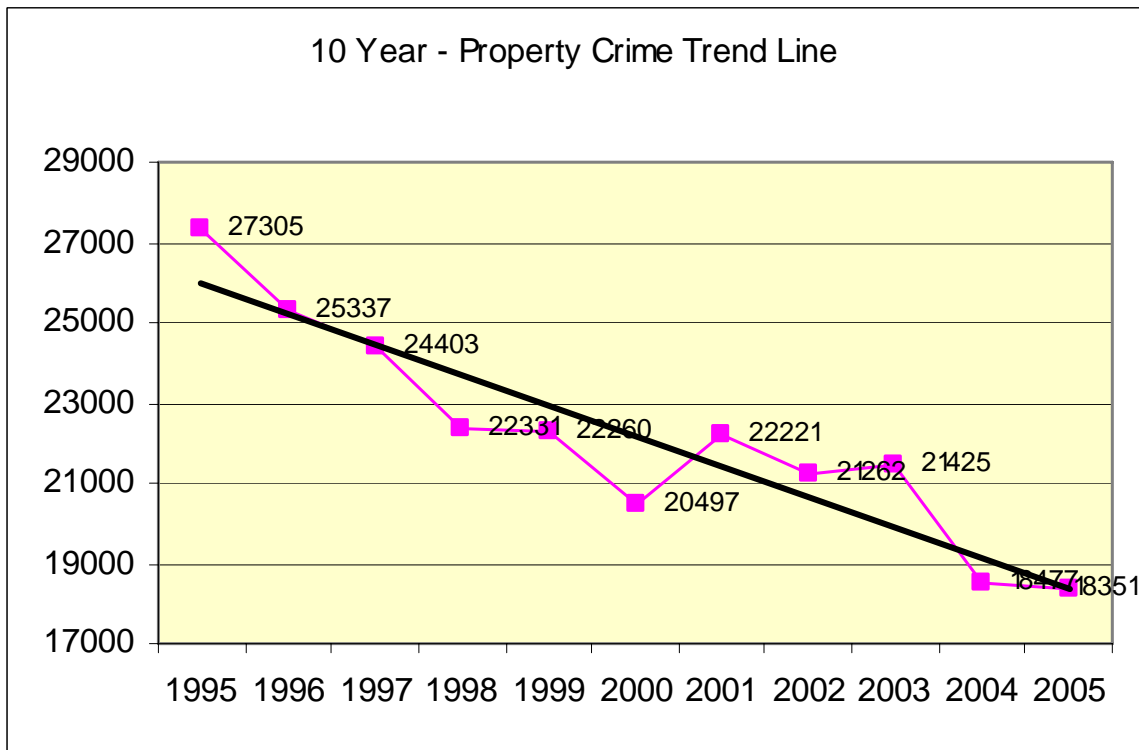


Property Crimes:

The total number of Property Crime Incidents has **decreased by 12-% comparing 2005 figures to the past five-year average.**



We also observe a downward trend line over the last 10 years for Property Crimes.



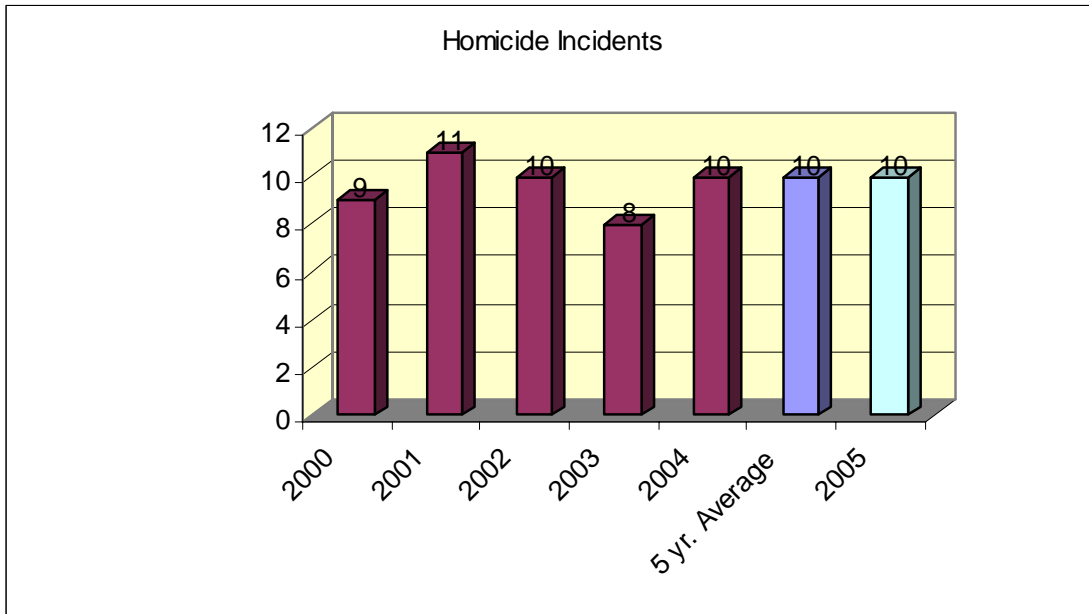
*Hamilton Crime Statistics
2000 - 2004 - five-year average
Compared to 2005-year end statistics.*

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000 – 2004 five year average	2005
<i>Violent Crimes:</i>							
Homicide	9	11	10	8	10	10	10
Attempt Murder	4	5	5	5	7	5	6
Abduction	23	15	7	11	12	14	8
Sexual Offences	496	459	498	545	507	501	423
Assault	5001	5081	4634	4020	3383	4424	3390
Robbery	540	529	617	609	558	571	653
<i>Totals:</i>	6073	6100	5771	5198	4476	5525	4490
<i>Property Crimes:</i>							
Housebreaking	2675	3086	2865	2586	1973	2637	2052
Other B & E	2128	2253	2046	2195	2019	2128	2035
Theft of Vehicle	4344	5108	4570	4669	3476	4433	3863
Theft Over	177	207	227	188	177	195	183
Theft Under	10144	10540	10397	10658	9725	10293	9069
Fraud	1029	1027	1157	1129	1107	1090	1149
<i>Totals:</i>	20497	22221	21262	21425	18477	20776	18351

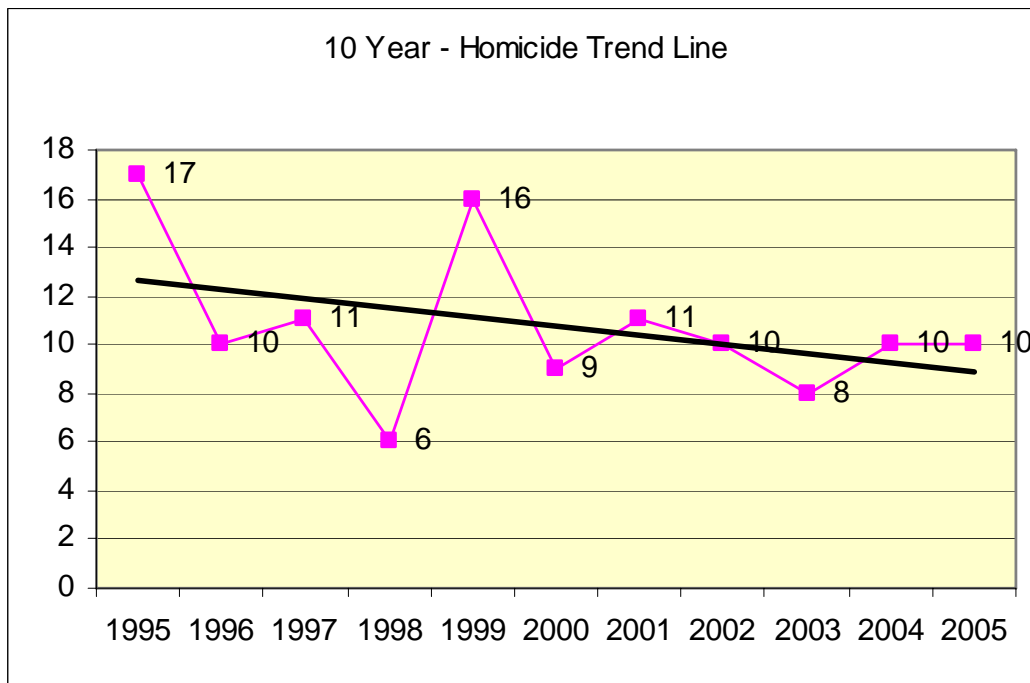
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Homicide:

The 2005 Homicides are the same as the 2004 figures and consistent with the five-year average.

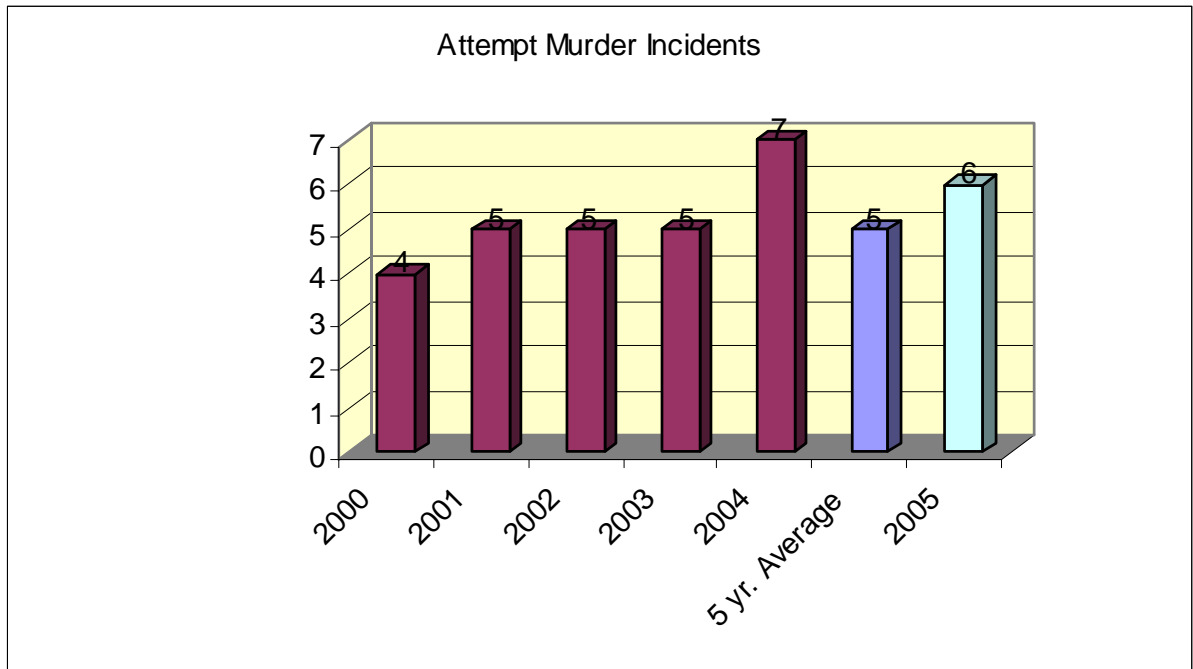


The Homicide Trend Line for the number of victims has remained consistent (with a slight downward slope) over the last 10 years.

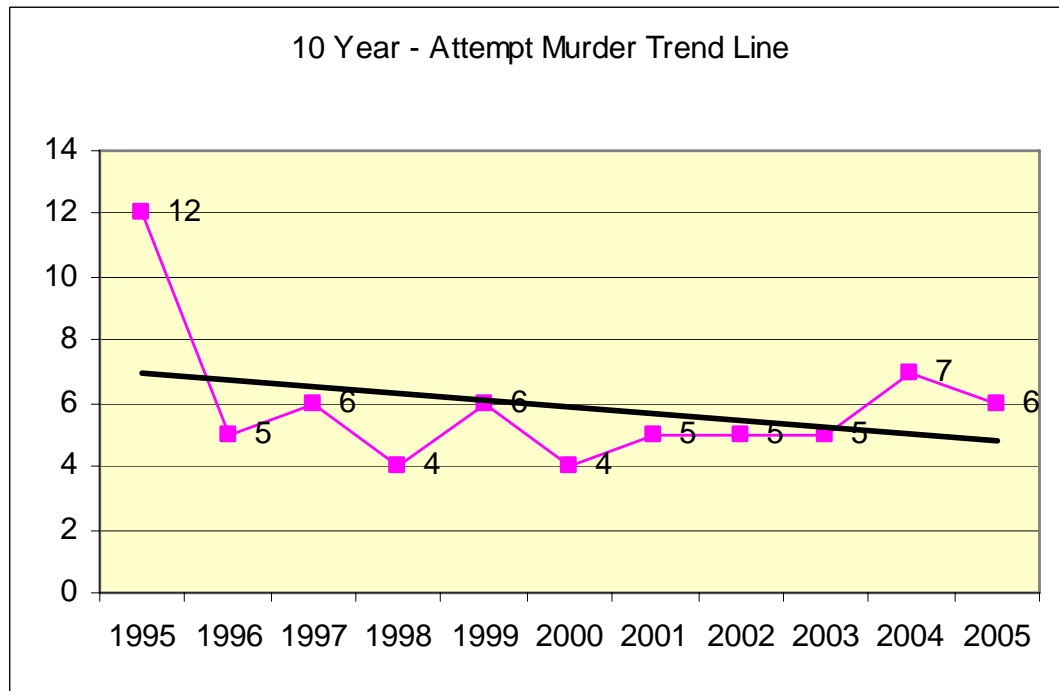


Attempt Murder:

The 2005 Attempt Murders have increased by one incident compared to the five-year average.

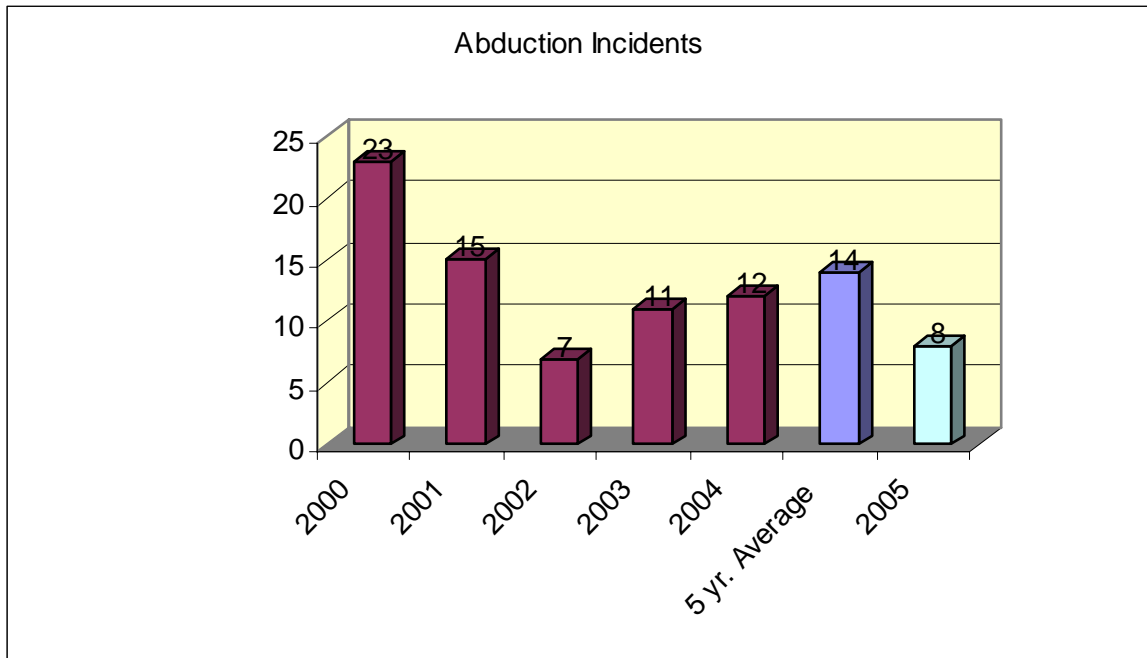


There has been a slight downward Trend Line in the number of victims of Attempt Murder over the past 10 years.

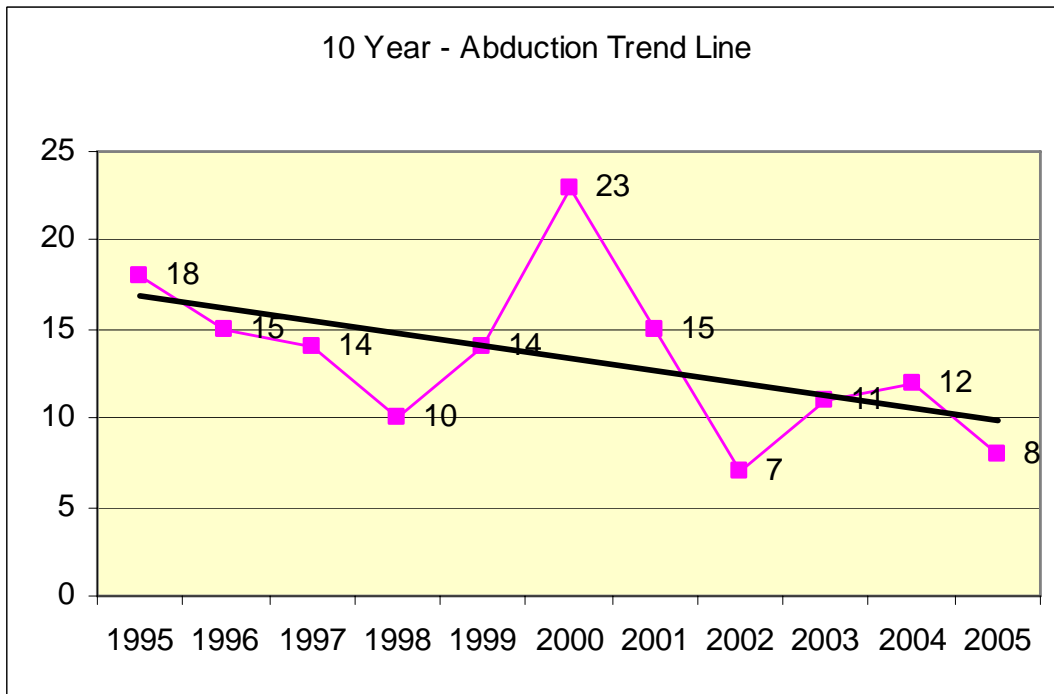


Abductions:

The decrease is by 4 incidents of Abduction as compared to 2004, and we are still below the 5-year average by 43-%.

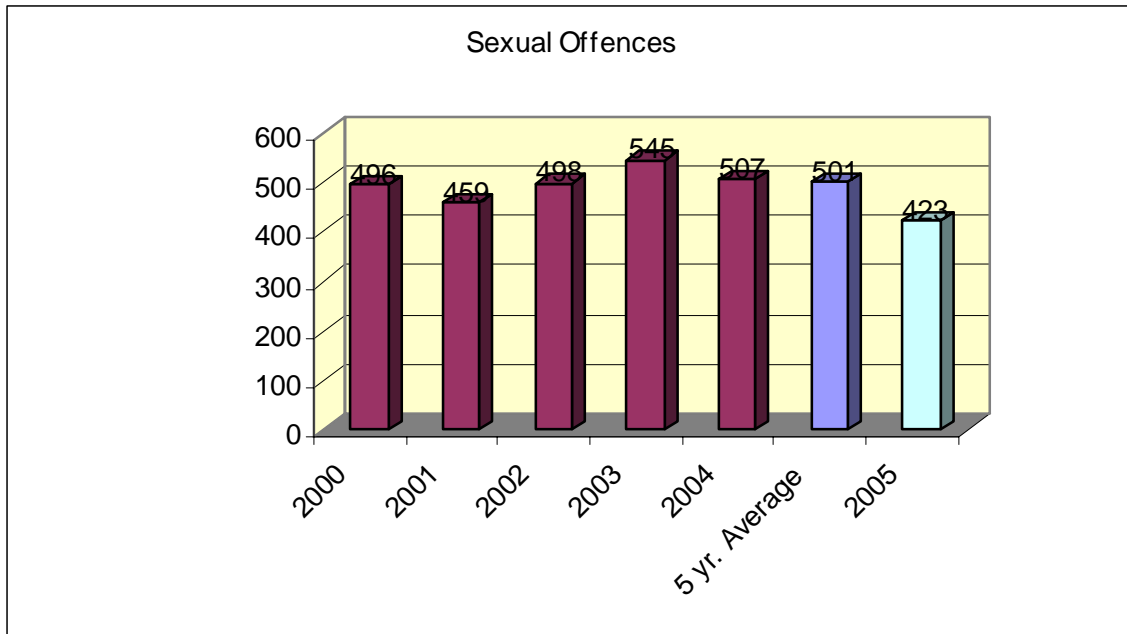


There has been a steady downward Trend line in the number of Abduction incidents over the past 10 years.

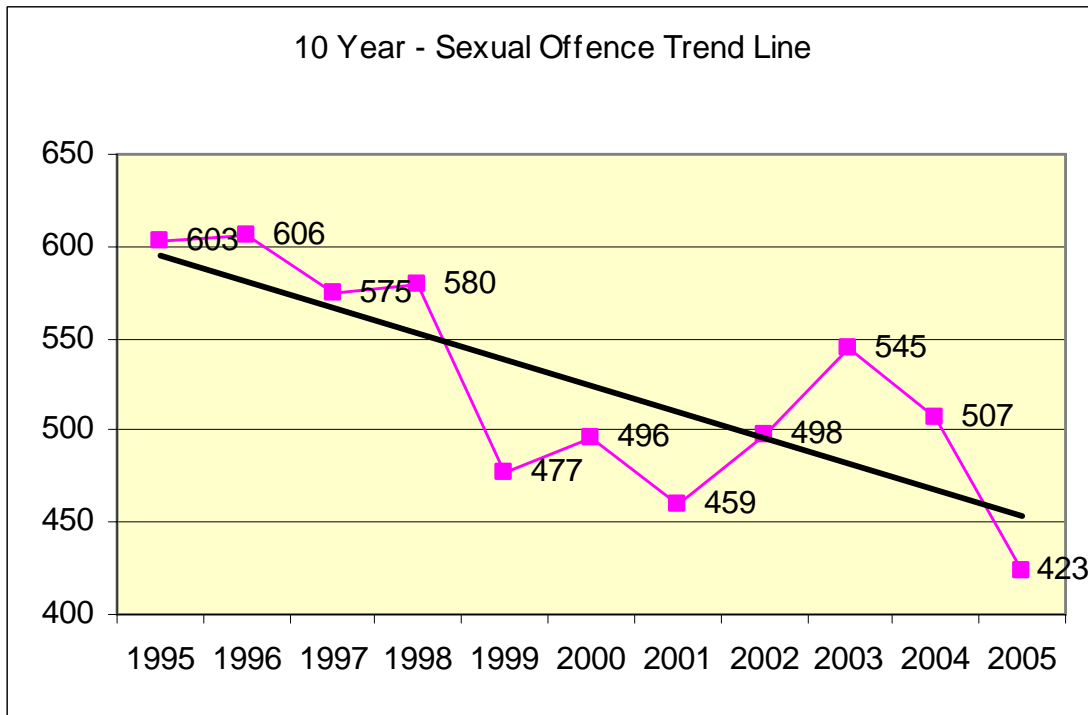


Sexual Offences:

We have a decrease in the number of sexual offences in 2005 as compared to 2004 and we are below the 5-year average by 16-%.

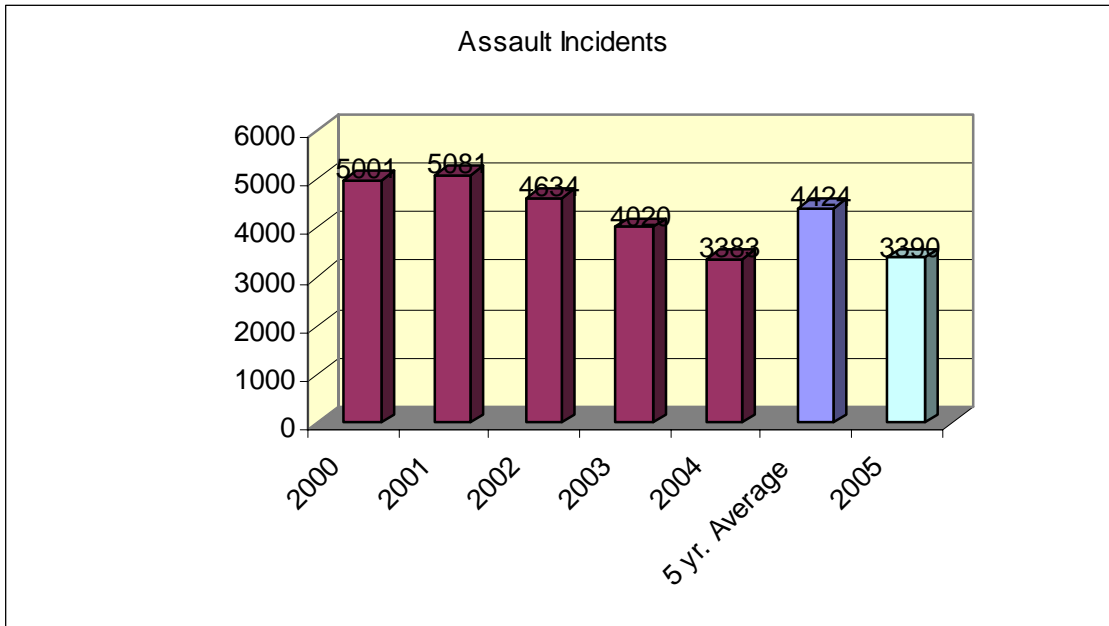


There has been a steady downward Trend line in the number of Sexual Offences over the past 10 years.

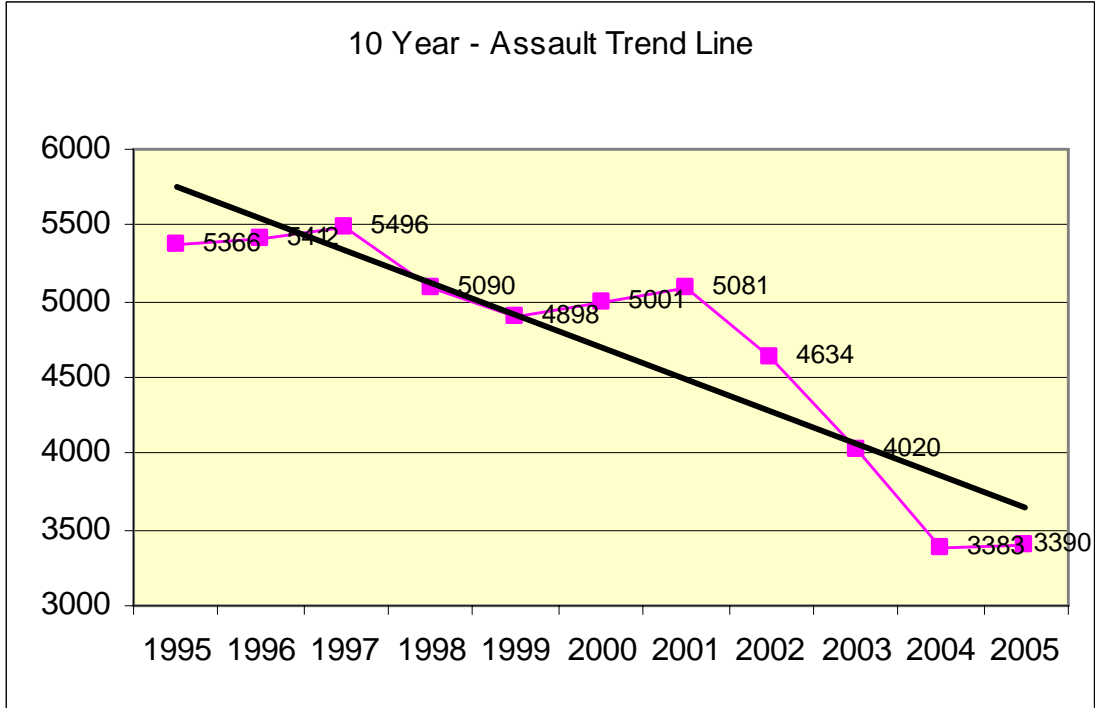


Assaults

We have a consistent number of assault incidents in 2005 vs. 2004, but there is a decrease compared to the 5-year average, by 23-%.

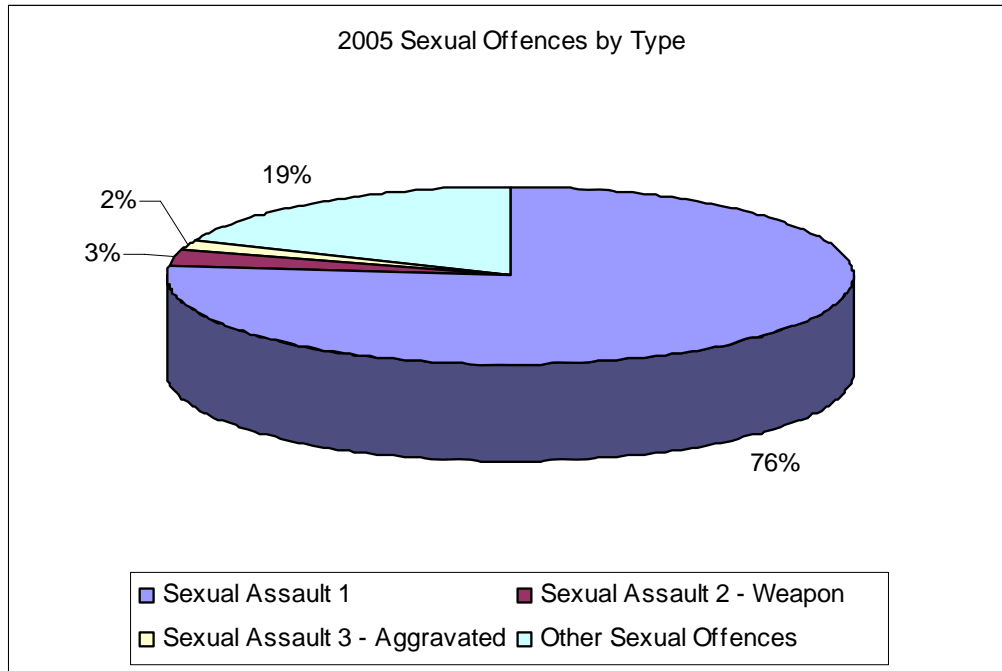


The Trend line for the number of assault incidents has a downward slope over the last 10 years.



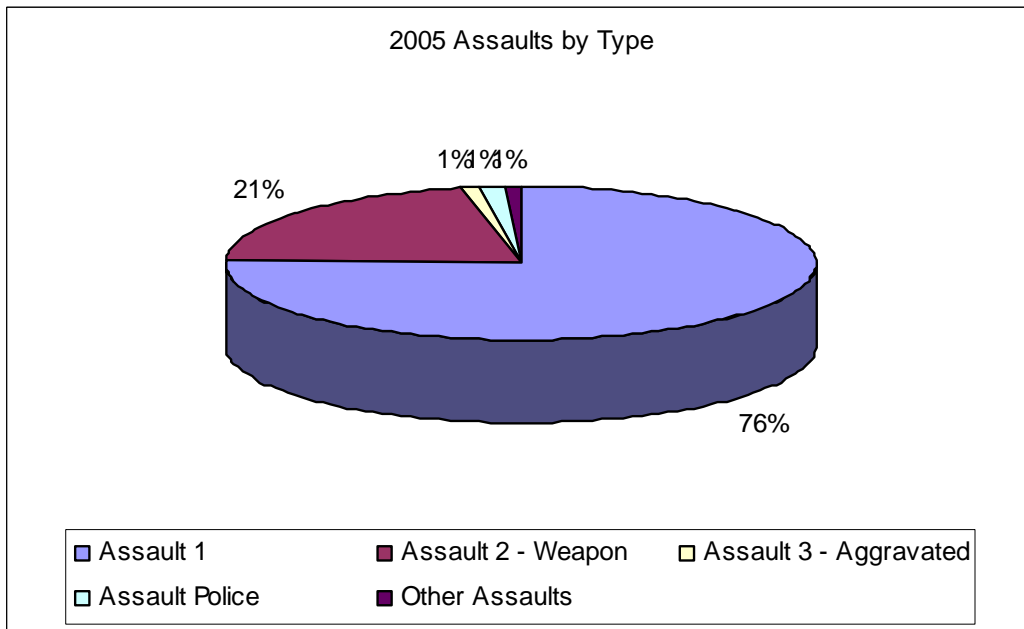
Sexual Offences:

The majority of Sexual Offences is Sexual Assault Level 1 (no weapon, no bodily harm, no aggravated physical assault).



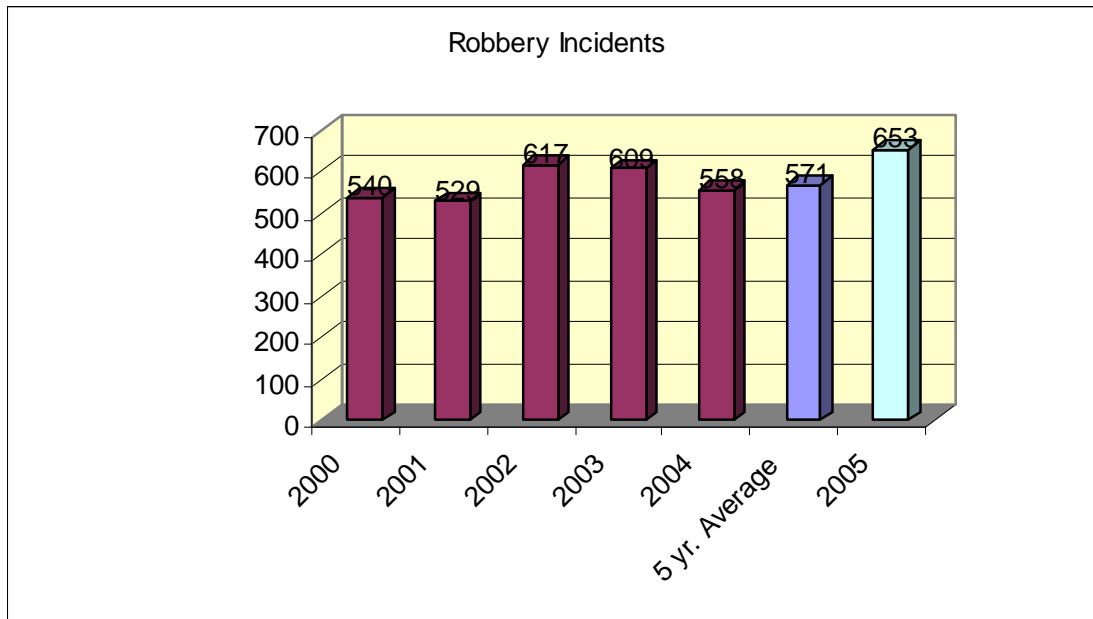
Assaults:

The majority of Assaults are Assault Level 1 – no weapon, no bodily harm.

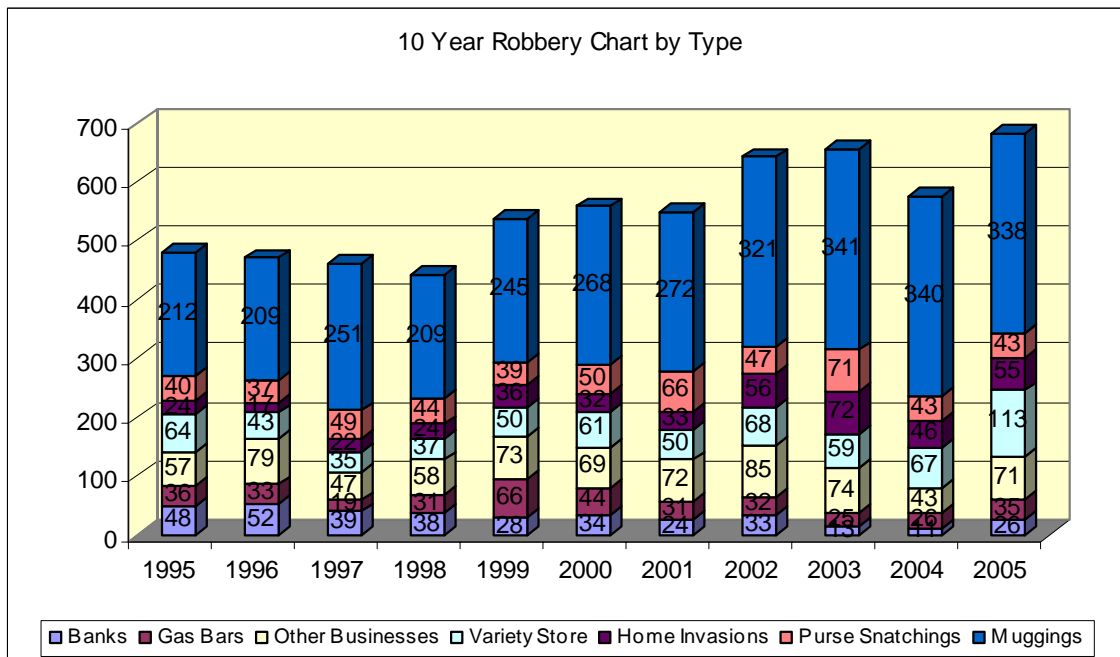


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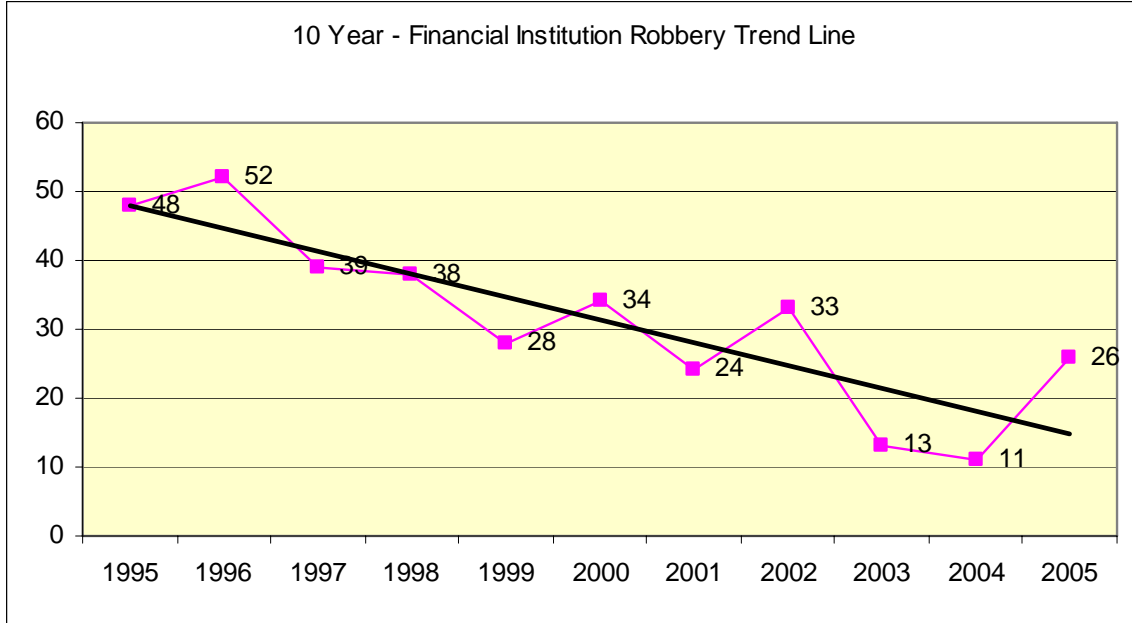
We have had a increase in 2005 robbery incidents compared to 2004 numbers and we are above the 5-year average by 14%. ***This is the only violent crime of concern.***



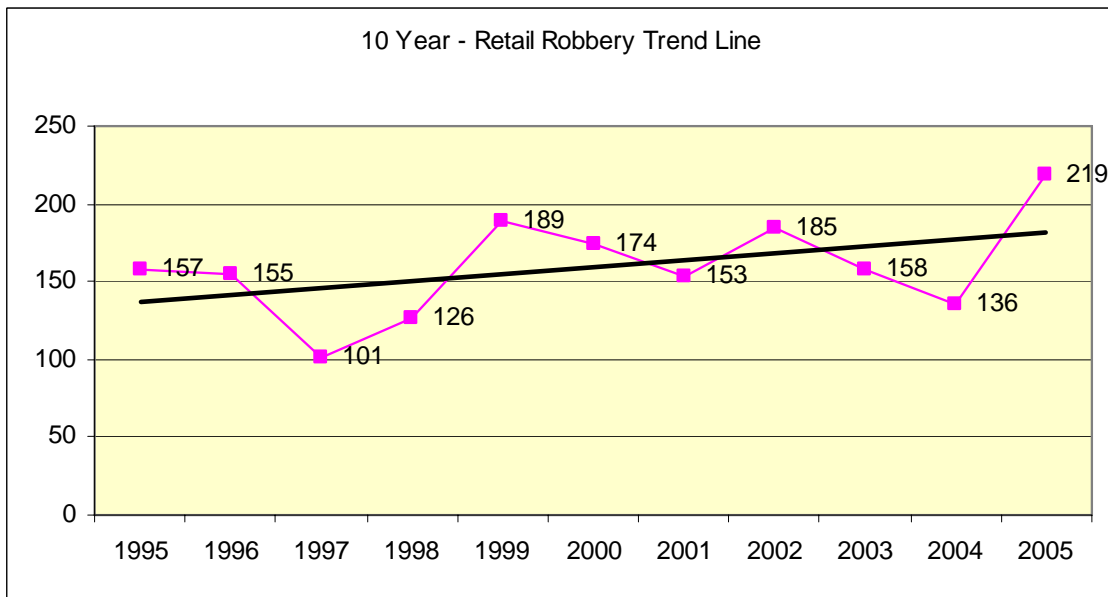
Examining the robbery incidents by type, we find the increase is generated by an increase in retail robberies (Variety Stores & Other Businesses -almost doubled). The financial institution robberies again increased but we still observe a downward trend line slope (see page 14).



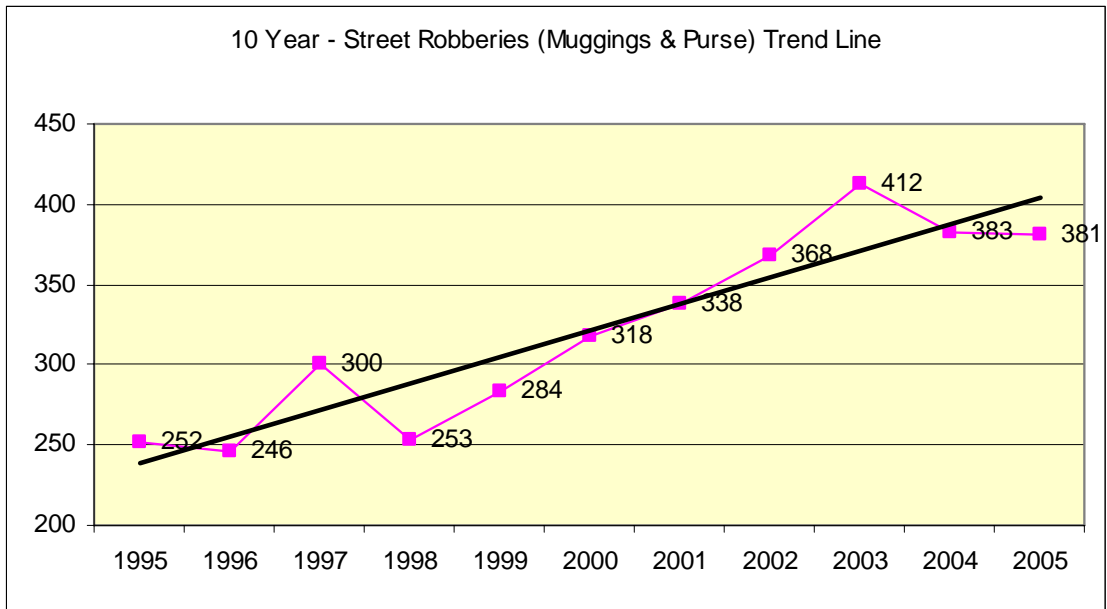
The Trend line for the number of Financial Institution robberies has a downward slope over the last 10 years.



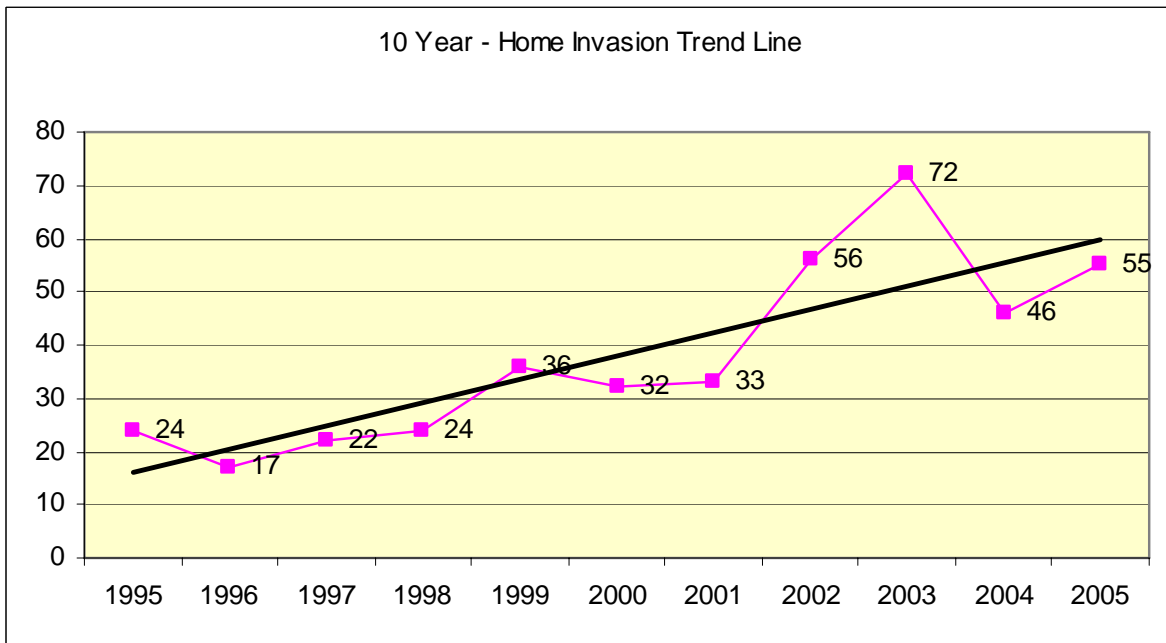
The Trend line for the number of Retail robberies has a slight upward slope over the last 10 years.



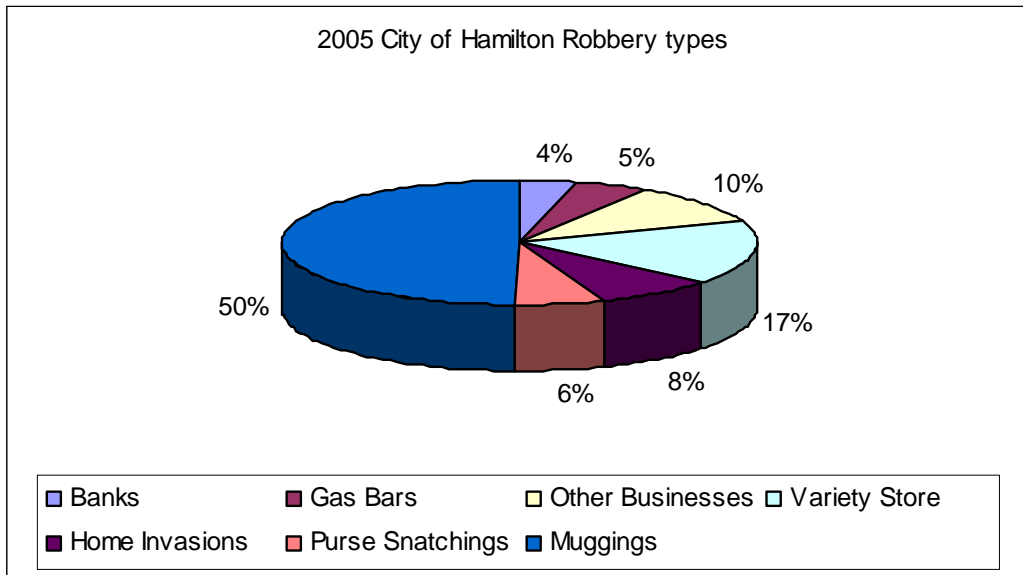
The Trend line for the number of Street Robberies has a significant upward slope over the last 10 years.



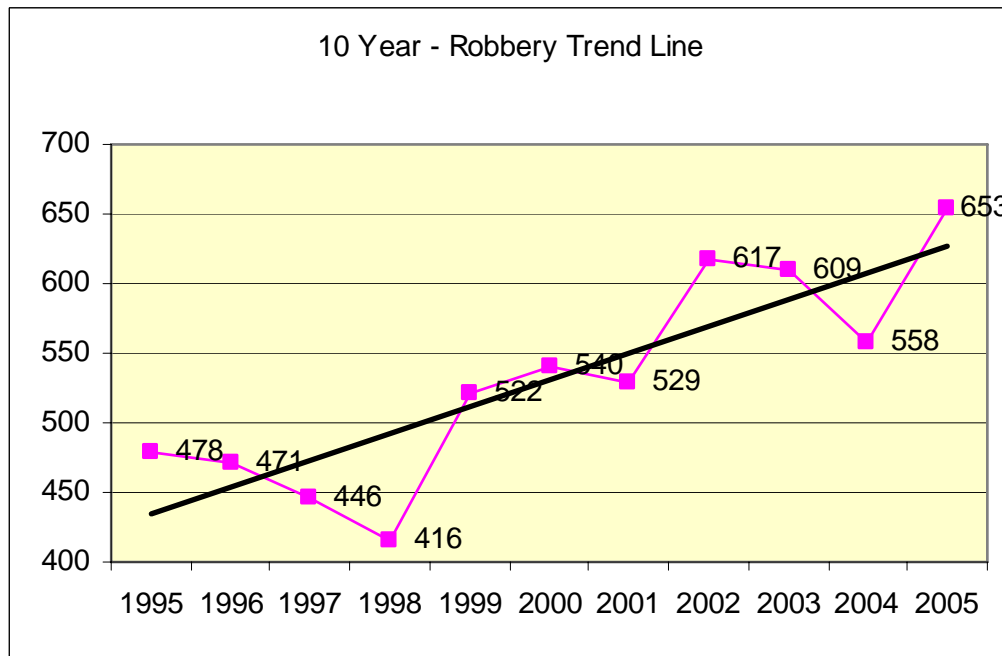
The Trend line for the number of home invasion robberies has a significant upward slope over the last 10 years.



Street Robberies (including purse snatchings) are 56% of all robberies in the City of Hamilton during 2005.



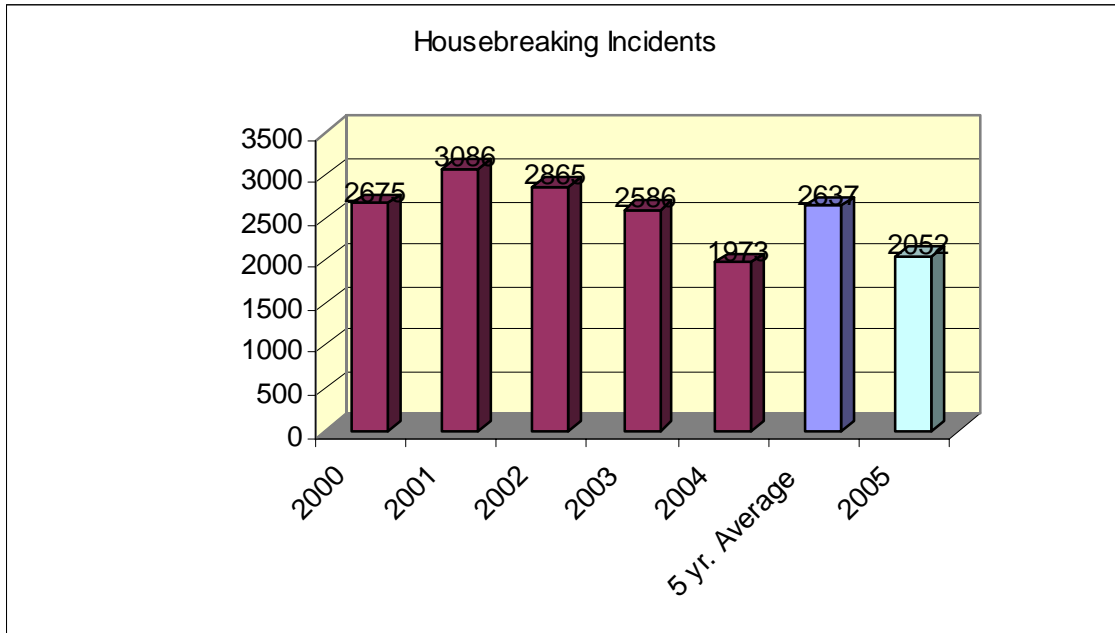
The robbery incident Trend line has had a steady increase over the past 10 years.



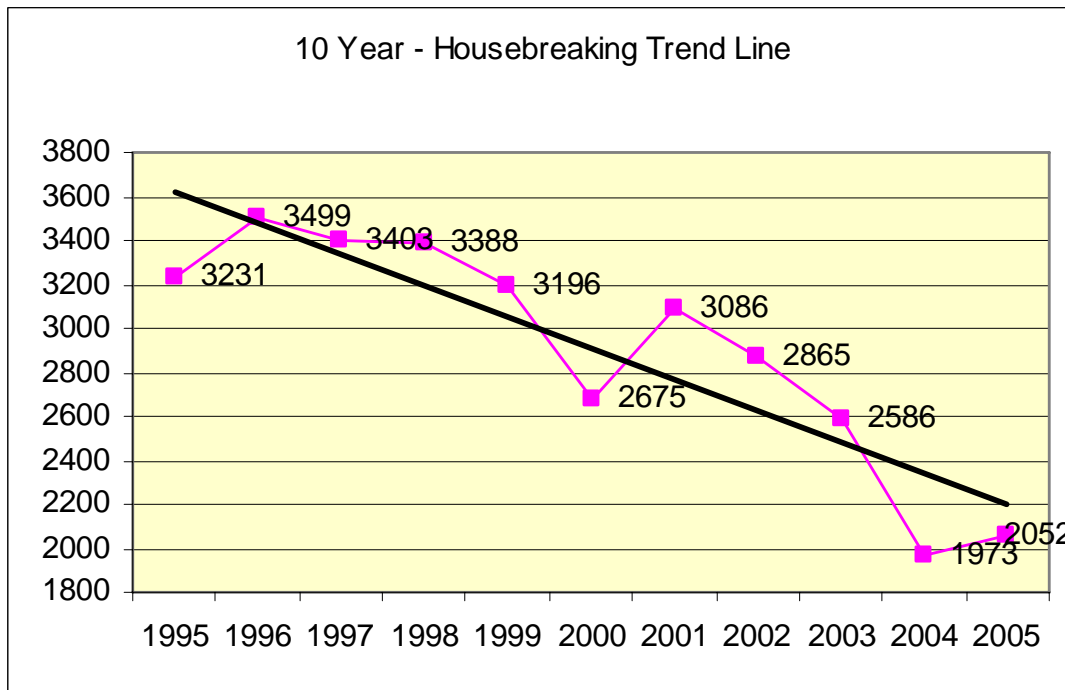
Through investigations and analysis it is determined this increase has a direct correlation to the use of drugs; in particular crack cocaine in our City.

Housebreaking:

Housebreaking incidents have increased slightly in 2005 as compared to 2004 numbers but we show a 22-% decrease compared to the five 5-year average.

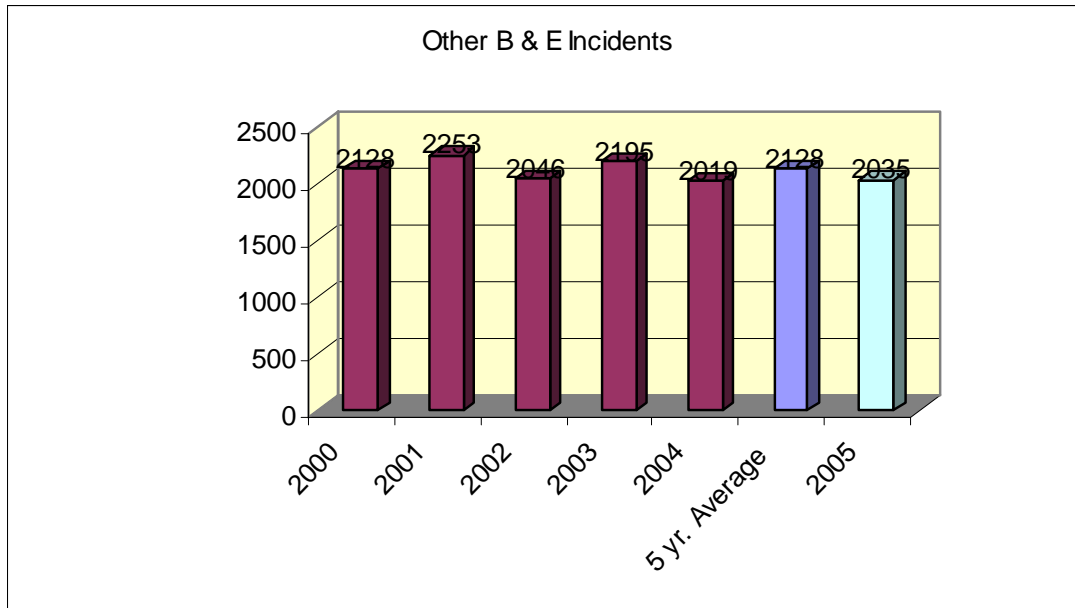


We have seen a steady downward Trend line in housebreaking incidents over the past 10 years.

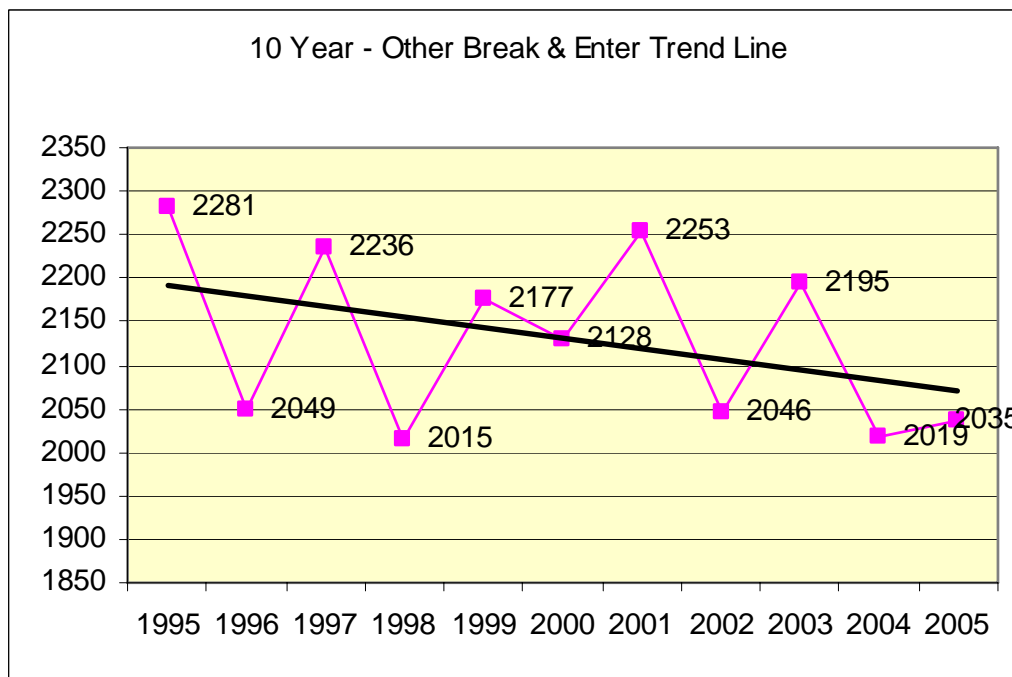


Other B&E

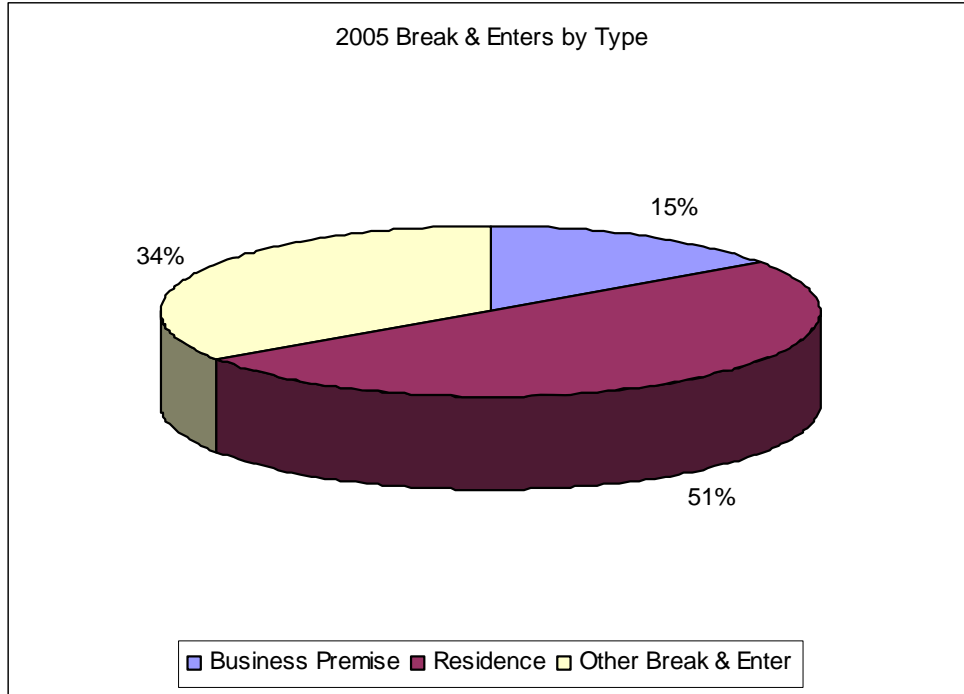
There has been a very slight increase in 2005 figures compared to the 2004 incidents but we are still below the 5-year average by 4-%.



But, there has been a steady downward Trend line for Other B & E's over the past 10 years.

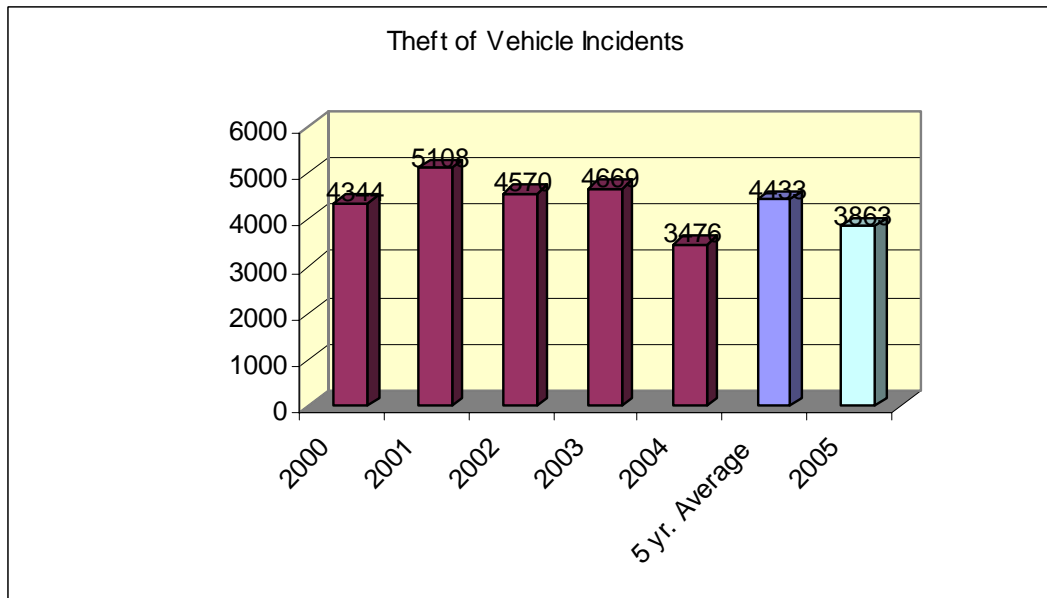


The majority of our Break & Enter are to residence (51%). The Other Break & Enters are to sheds, garages and other out-buildings.

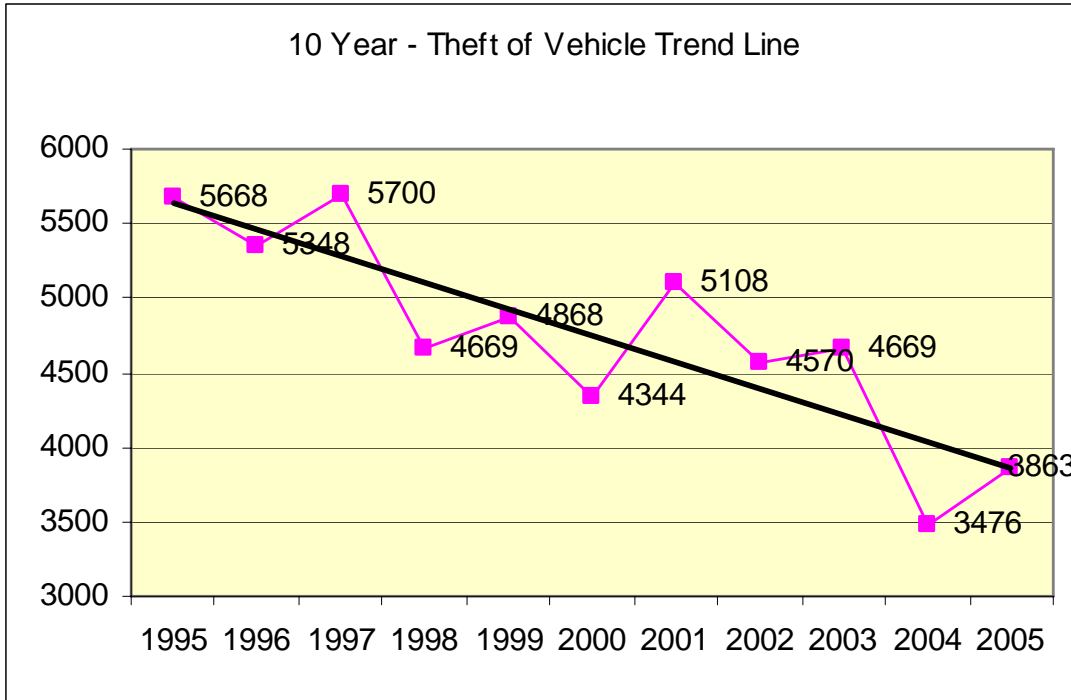


Theft of Vehicle

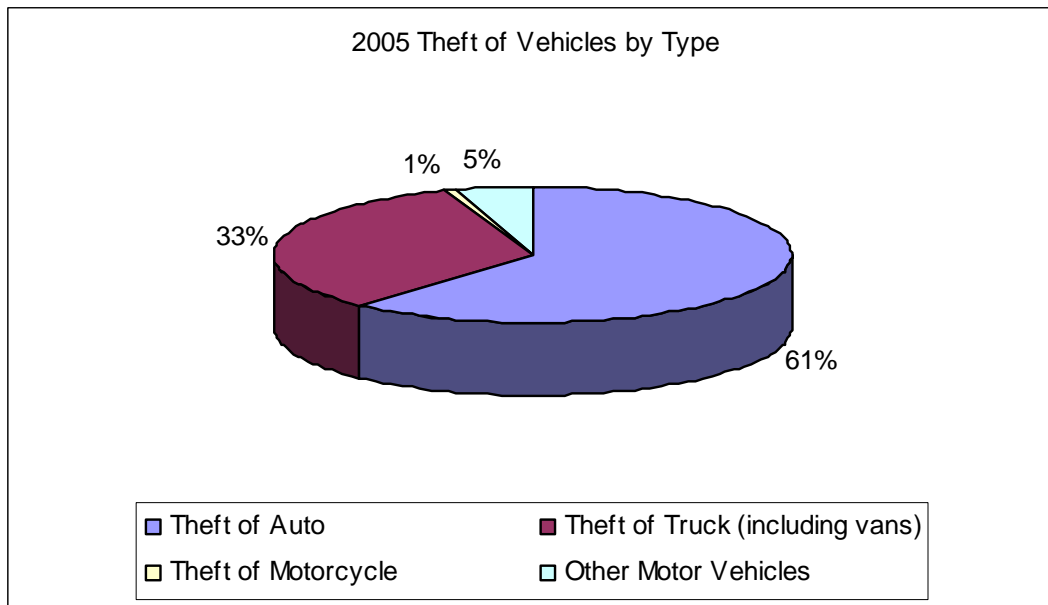
We observe a increase in the Theft of Vehicle incidents in 2005 as compared to 2004 but we are well below by the 5-year average figures by 13-%.



Over the past 10 years we have experienced a steady decrease in the Trend line for the Theft of Vehicles.

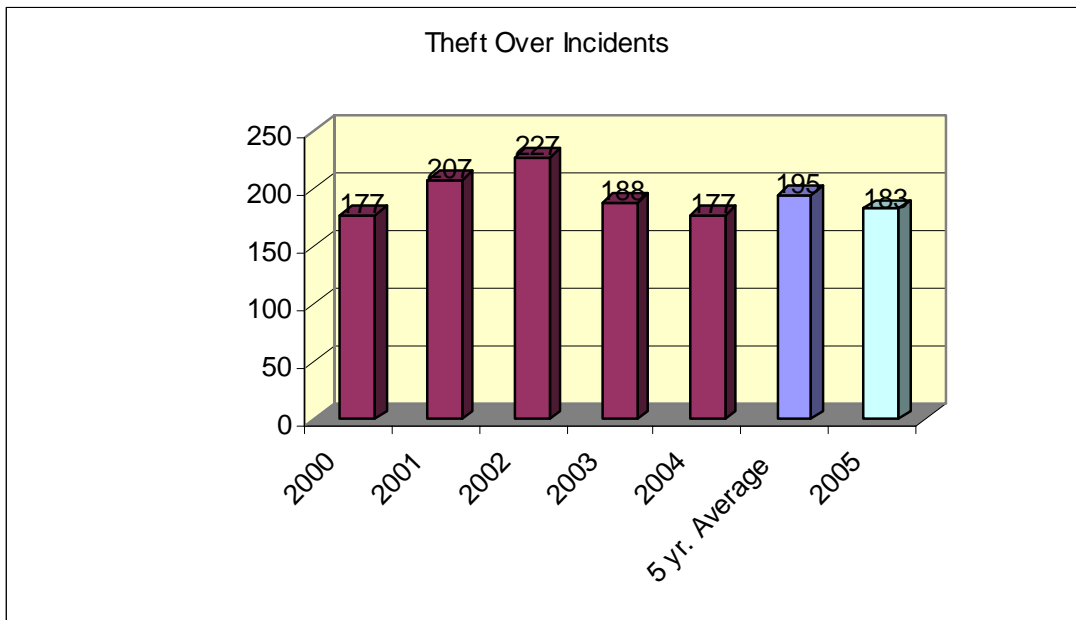


The majority of our Auto Theft Incidents are the theft of Autos and Trucks.

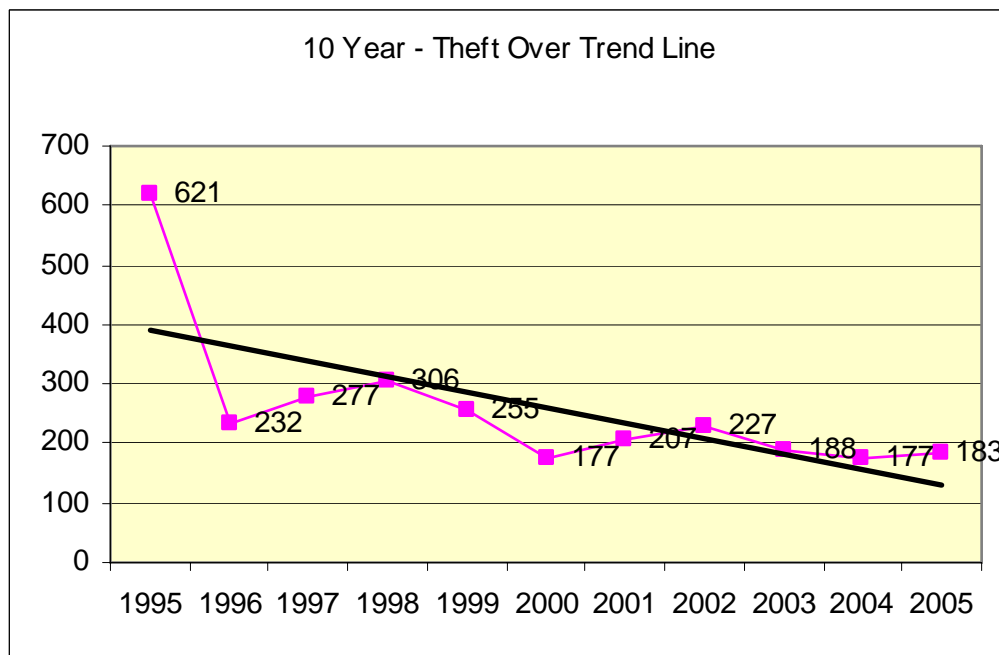


Theft Over:

There has been a slight increase in 2005 as compared to 2004 but we are still below the 5-year average by 6-% for Theft Over incidents.

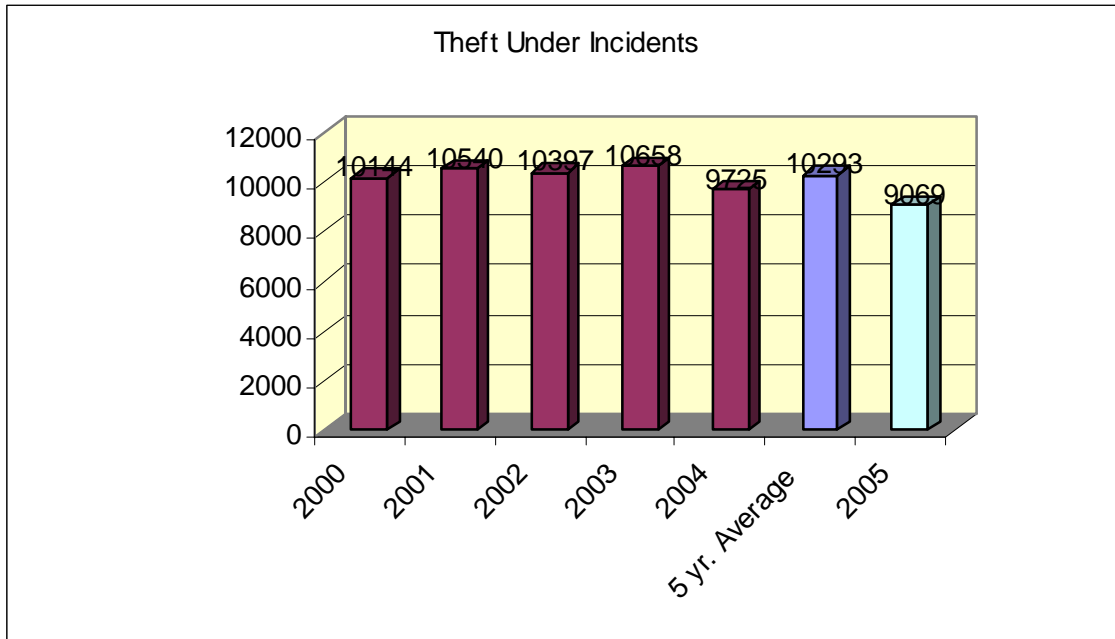


The Theft Over incident Trend line took a major downward fall because of the criminal code change in 1995.

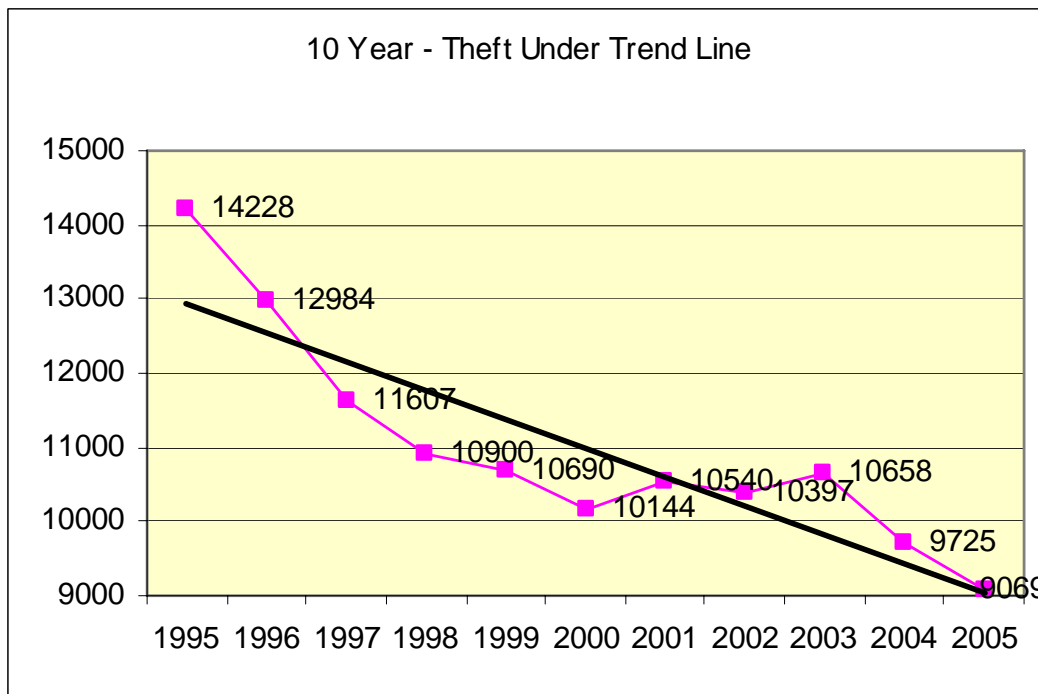


Theft Under:

There has been a decrease in the 2005 Theft Under incidents compared to the 2004 and also the 5-year average by 12-%.

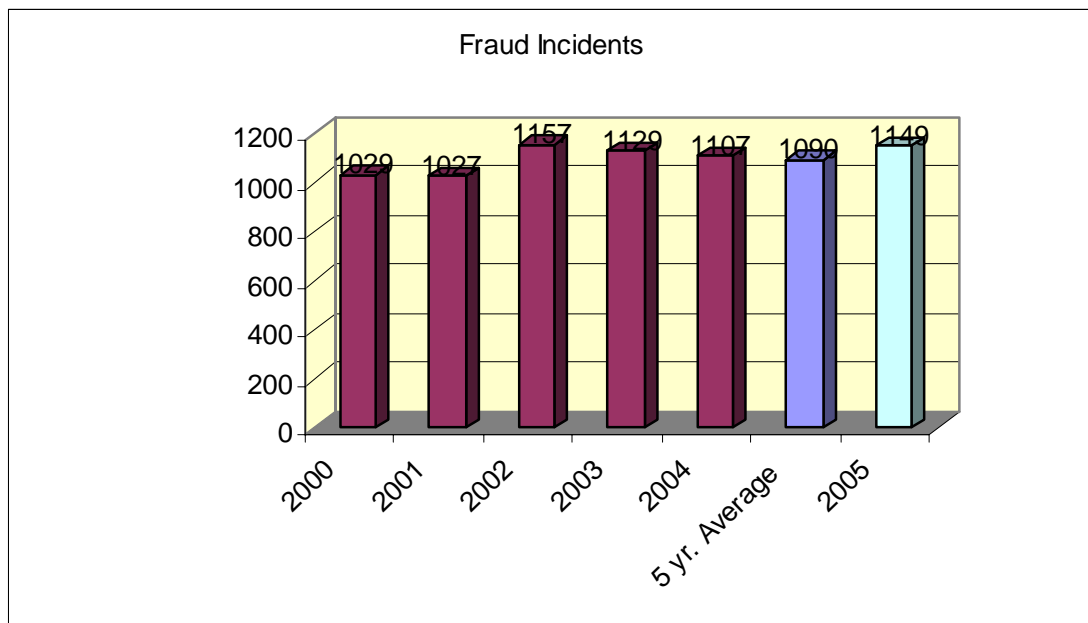


And we observe a steady downward Trend line over the past 10 years.

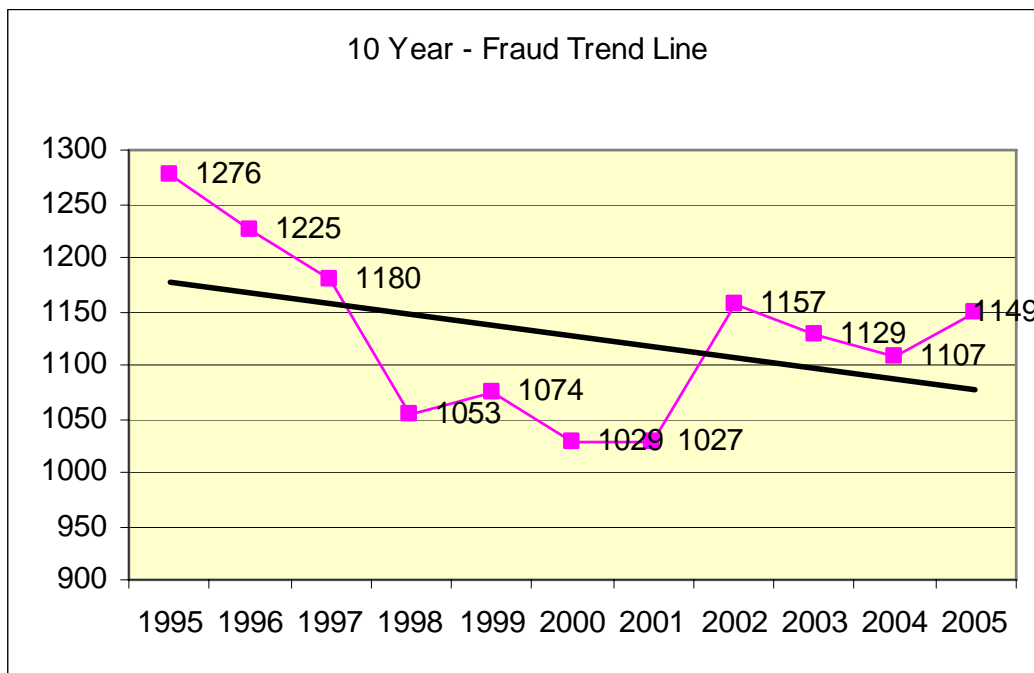


Fraud

We experienced a slight increase in Fraud Incidents in 2005 compared to the 2004 figures and are slightly above the 5-year average by 5%.



But there is a steady downward Trend line in the number of Fraud incidents over the past 10 years.



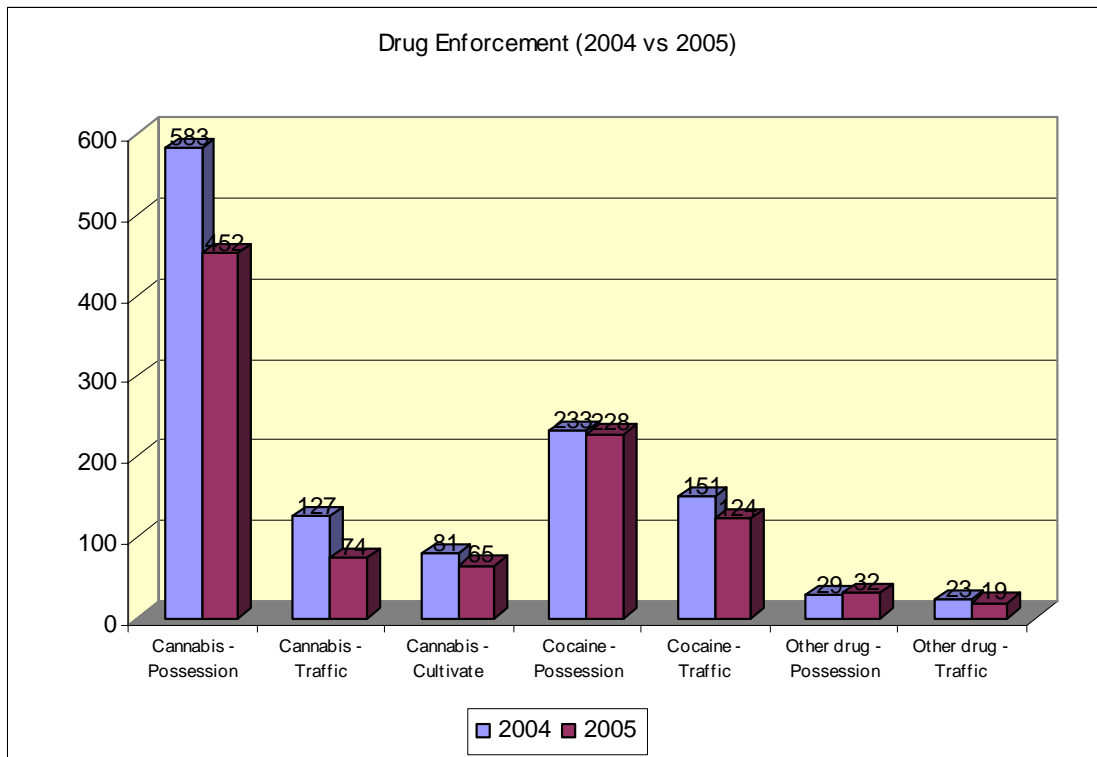
Drug Investigations

There has been a decrease in the number of 2005 "Drug Incidents". But in actual fact, there were a number of "lengthy" projects initiated and investigated by our "Drug Enforcement Unit".

One project had resources committed for five months, two persons were arrested for trafficking and cultivation, but over 3 million dollars in marihuana was seized.

Another two projects lasted 2 months each; over 100 persons were arrested and charges laid for trafficking marihuana, crack and magic mushrooms.

During this same time, resources from the Drug Unit were on a 9 month project with the Provincial Weapon Unit.



CONCLUSION:

AS A RESULT OF THE INCREASED NUMBER OF DRUG INVESTIGATIONS WE SEE THE FOLLOWING CRIMES HAVE DECREASED (compared to 5-Year Averages).

Violent Crimes (Decrease) -23%

- Abductions by 43-%
- Sexual Offences by 16-%
- Assaults by 23-%

Property Crimes (Decrease) -14%

- Housebreaking by 22-%
- Other Break & Enters by 4-%
- Theft of Vehicles by 13-%
- Theft Over \$5000.00 by 6-%
- Theft Under \$5000.00 by 12-%

We observe an increase in the total number of robberies comparing the 2005 to 2004 figures and during the past 10 years, we see a steady UPWARD TRENDLINE for this crime (SEE PAGE 16).

When we break down the 2005 type of robberies, we see that the business robberies had a major increase (SEE PAGE 14). We experienced numerous "serial robberies" in both the financial and the retail type. During 2005, Hamilton had numerous return parolees released to Hamilton that were considered "high risk to re-offend". 57% of persons arrested for financial & retail robberies in 2005 were parolees.

Through investigation, analysis and debriefing of offenders regarding robberies, it has been determined that there is a direct correlation between the robberies and the usage of 'crack cocaine'.