



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: 2011 Qtr 1 Crime Briefing

This report summarizes the January through March 2011 index crimes, as well as domestic violence, juvenile crimes and response times. Index crimes include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft. The Department of Justice Uniform Crime Reporting program collects information on these crime types from law enforcement agencies throughout the United States and uses the data to measure crime nationwide.

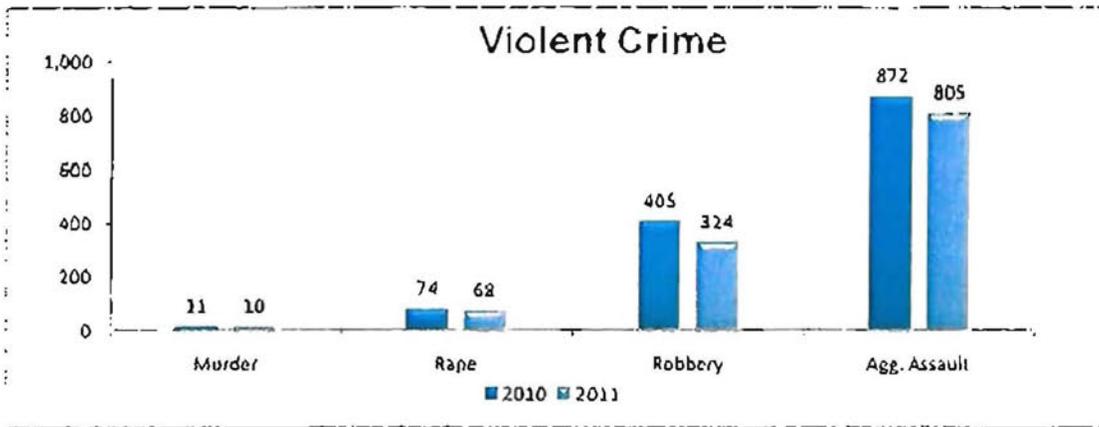
Discussion

The total number of index crimes in San Diego decreased 13.5% in the first quarter of 2011 compared to 2010. The index crime rate for January through March 2011 is 23.59 per thousand residents compared to 27.26 in 2010.

	Jan - March		% Change	(Rates per 1,000)		Clearances	
	2010	2011		2010	2011	2010	2011
Murder	11	10	-9.1%	0.03	0.03	90.9%	80.0%
Rape	74	68	-8.1%	0.22	0.20	63.5%	48.5%
Robbery	405	324	-20.0%	1.18	0.94	43.2%	48.8%
Agg. Assault	872	805	-7.7%	2.53	2.34	50.6%	59.0%
Violent Crimes	1,362	1,207	-11.4%	3.96	3.51	49.4%	55.8%
Burglary	1,569	1,347	-14.1%	4.56	3.92	12.7%	17.7%
Theft	4,766	4,187	-12.1%	13.85	12.17	14.8%	16.4%
Veh. Theft	1,682	1,375	-18.3%	4.89	4.00	0.3%	1.2%
Property Crimes	8,017	6,909	-13.8%	23.30	20.08	11.4%	13.6%
TOTAL INDEX	9,379	8,116	-13.5%	27.26	23.59	16.9%	19.9%

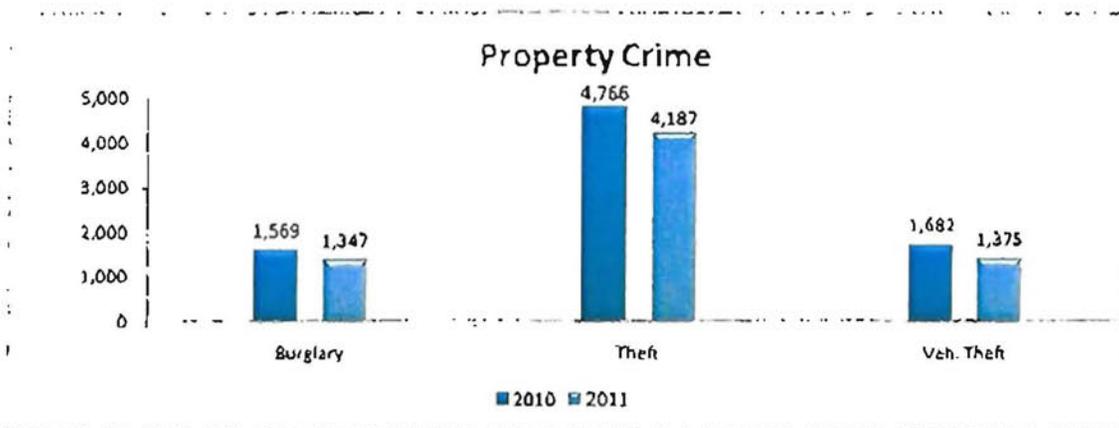
Violent Crimes

Violent crimes decreased 11.4% in the first quarter of 2011 compared to the same quarter in 2010. All categories showed a decrease with robbery having the largest decrease of 20%.



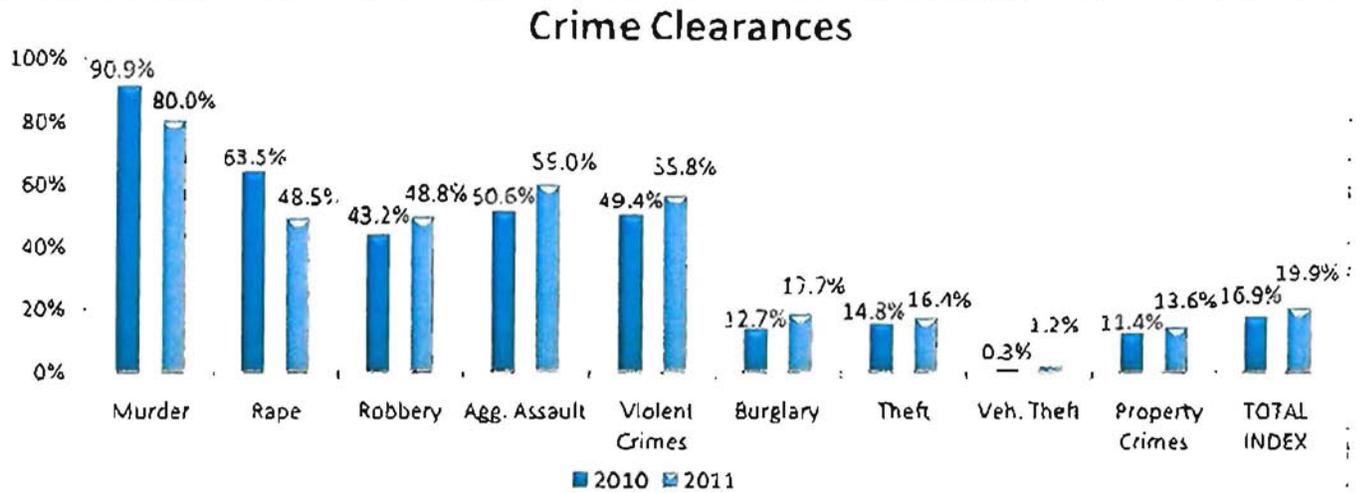
Property Crimes

All categories of property crimes decreased in first three months of 2011 compared to 2010. Vehicle thefts showed the largest decrease at 18.3%.



Crime Clearances

First quarter crime clearances in 2011 increased from 49.4% to 55.8%.



Domestic Violence

The total number of domestic violence cases during January through March 2011 decreased 12% compared to the same period in 2010. Incidents involving firearms showed the largest decrease of 44.4%. Non-criminal calls also showed a large decrease of 28.1%.

San Diego Domestic Violence January to March			
	2010	2011	10 to 11 % Change
Criminal Cases:			
Firearms	9	5	-44.4%
Knife/Cutting Instrument	50	45	-10.0%
Other Dangerous Weapon	236	211	-10.6%
Personal Weapon (hands,	1,292	1,189	-8.0%
Total Criminal Cases	1,587	1,450	-8.6%
Non-Criminal Calls:			
	327	235	-28.1%
Total Cases	1,914	1,685	-12.0%

Gang Crimes

The total number of crimes committed by gang members during January through March decreased 5.2% when compared to the same period in 2010. Assaults and attempted homicides decreased 12%. Arrests of gang members decreased 4.4%.

San Diego Crimes Committed by Gang Members January to March			
Crime Type	2010	2011	10 to 11 % Change
All Crimes:			
Homicide	2	2	0.0%
Attempt Homicide	0	1	N/A
Assault	50	43	-14.0%
Robbery	33	18	-45.5%
Auto Theft	16	2	-87.5%
Other	132	155	17.4%
Total	233	221	-5.2%
Assaults & Attempt Homicides:			
Shooting	14	15	7.1%
Stabbing	14	5	-64.3%
Other	22	24	9.1%
Total	50	44	-12.0%
Drive-By Shootings	3	6	100.0%
Arrests of Gang Members	768	734	-4.4%

Juvenile Statistics

The number of juvenile victims of violent crime decreased 22.2% during the first three months of 2011. Both after school hours (-18.5%) and curfew hours (-59.5%) decreased, while daytime hours increased by 53.8%.

San Diego Juvenile Statistics January to March			
Juvenile Victims of Violent Crimes:	2010	2011	10 to 11 % Change
Daytime Hours (0830 to 1329)			
Murder	0	0	N/A
Rape	2	4	100.0%
Robbery	2	5	150.0%
Aggravated Assault	9	11	22.2%
Daytime Total	13	20	53.8%
After School Hours (1330 to 2159)			
Murder	1	0	-100.0%
Rape	6	6	0.0%
Robbery	52	34	-34.6%
Aggravated Assault	49	48	-2.0%
After School Total	108	88	-18.5%
Curfew Hours (2200 to 0829)			
Murder	0	1	N/A
Rape	8	2	-75.0%
Robbery	11	4	-63.6%
Aggravated Assault	18	8	-55.6%
Curfew Total	37	15	-59.5%
ALL HOURS TOTAL	158	123	-22.2%

Juvenile Arrests

Juvenile arrests decreased 8.8% for January through March 2011 when compared to the same period in 2010. After school hours represented the largest decrease in arrests (-14.8%).

San Diego Juvenile Statistics January to March			
Juvenile Arrests:	2010	2011	10 to 11 % Change
Daytime Hours (0830 to 1329)			
Felony	165	130	-21.2%
Misdemeanor	539	545	1.1%
Other	5	2	-60.0%
Daytime Total	709	677	-4.5%
After School Hours (1330 to 2159)			
Felony	268	243	-9.3%
Misdemeanor	387	313	-19.1%
Other	2	4	100.0%
After School Total	657	560	-14.8%
Curfew Hours (2200 to 0829)			
Felony	91	86	-5.5%
Misdemeanor	175	132	-24.6%
Other	273	282	3.3%
Curfew Total	539	500	-7.2%
ALL HOURS TOTAL	1,905	1,737	-8.8%

Response Times

San Diego Police Department dispatches incoming calls according to a five step hierarchy of call types as defined below.

Priority E: Imminent threat to life, dispatch immediately

Priority 1: Threat to life, serious crime in progress, dispatch immediately

Priority 2: Threat to life has passed or does not exist, minor crime in progress/serious crime where suspect has left scene, dispatch as quickly as possible

Priority 3: Non-urgent requests for service such as noise only loud parties, report only calls, and crime scene follow-up, dispatch as soon as possible after higher priority calls

Priority 4: Minor requests for service such as found property, most parking violations, etc., dispatch when there are no higher priority calls awaiting assignment in the beat

All categories except priority E showed a decrease in response times for this quarter.

Average Response Times by Priority January to March			
Priority	2010	2011	% Change
E	6.2	6.3	1.5%
1	11.4	10.7	-6.2%
2	23.3	21.9	-6.2%
3	59.9	59.1	-1.4%
4	66.7	63.2	-5.2%

The number of dispatched calls increased for priority E and 1. The number of Priority 2, 3 and 4 calls dispatched decreased.

Dispatched Calls by Priority January to March			
Priority	2010	2011	% Change
E	5,454	5,708	4.7%
1	67,523	67,720	0.3%
2	62,043	60,533	-2.4%
3	18,388	16,990	-7.6%
4	6,272	5,605	-10.6%