

2012 Neighborhood Statistical Information

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Once a year, twice if I can, I try and get crime statistics out to the various neighborhoods that I serve. These numbers for your specific neighborhood are part of this ongoing information that we try and get to the public. I have included an explanation about these statistics in this article as well so that if this is the first time you have seen these types of numbers you can be educated about how we count them.

The Phoenix Police Department reports our official statistics according to the Uniform Reporting Criteria (UCR) which are not equivalent to Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) statistics or another other types. Under the hierarchy rule of UCR, only the most severe offense of an incident is counted, so if there is a Homicide after a Burglary, only the Homicide is counted. There are 4 Part One Violent Crimes that are counted and they are Homicide, Forcible Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault (counted individually by victim). There are 4 Part One Property Crimes that are counted and they are Stolen Vehicles, Arson, Theft, and Burglary (which includes residential, commercial and burglary from vehicles).

This report may vary from a previous one I did for the Desert Ridge area, since I decided to include the Mall area as well since it is a big part of what occurs in the Desert Ridge community. While some of the percentages may look large, a closer look shows that just 1 more or less crime in small numbers makes a big change, for example the 7 or 23 % increase in violent crime is an actual increase of only 1 or 3 incidents. No increase is acceptable to us at the Phoenix Police Department and we always strive to make sure our city is the safest city in the country.

For the Desert Ridge Community there is also another set of statistics and that is for the Off Duty Patrol area of Desert Ridge. This program does not cover the entire community, it excludes Aviano (who has their own patrols) and the Desert Ridge Marketplace, commercial properties and the JW Marriott Resort are also not included in the off duty program area. Those statistics are shown in the second section of numbers with those specific percentage changes.

These statistics are not accomplished just by the Police Department; this is in partnership with you and the residents of your community. You are aware and call in suspicious activity, practice good crime prevention strategies and form Block Watches. All of this together along with the efforts of on and off duty personnel are what make improvements like this occur. You should thank yourselves for a job well done. Keep up the good work on your end and we will do our best and together we will continue to make the Desert Ridge Community a safe place to be.

If anybody has any questions about these statistics or on any other matter, please contact me at 602-495-5238 or at tim.mitten@phoenix.gov. Thank you for your support in partnering with the Phoenix Police Department to improve the safety and quality of life in your neighborhood.

**Entire Desert Ridge Community
PINNACLE PEAK RD to LOOP 101 FREEWAY and 36TH ST to 56 ST**

Type of Crime	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	% change 11 v 12	% change 08 v 12
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	NC	NC
Sexual Assault	0	1	0	2	1	- 50 %	+ 100%
Robbery	8	2	14	6	8	+ 33 %	NC
Aggravated Assault	5	19	6	7	7	NC	+ 40 %
Violent Crime Total	13	22	20	15	16	+ 7 %	+ 23 %
Burglary	103	93	51	97	47	- 52 %	- 54 %
Theft	287	257	253	247	180	- 27 %	- 37 %
Auto Theft	65	47	34	22	16	- 27 %	- 75 %
Arson	0	0	0	0	1	+ 100 %	+ 100%
Property Crime Total	455	397	338	367	244	- 34 %	- 46 %
Total Crimes	468	419	358	382	260	- 32 %	- 44 %

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**Off Duty Patrol Area of Desert Ridge
PINNACLE PEAK RD to LOOP 101 FREEWAY and 36TH ST to 56 ST
Excludes Aviano, Desert Ridge Mall and commercial area, JW Marriott Resort**

Type of Crime	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	% change 11 v 12	% change 08 v 12
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	NC	NC
Sexual Assault	0	1	0	0	0	NC	NC
Robbery	2	1	4	2	1	- 50 %	- 50 %
Aggravated Assault	1	8	3	3	3	NC	+ 200%
Violent Crime Total	3	10	7	5	4	- 20%	+ 33 %
Burglary	93	78	53	88	41	- 53 %	- 56 %
Theft	167	109	98	82	61	- 25 %	- 63 %
Auto Theft	20	10	0	9	6	- 33 %	- 70 %
Arson	0	0	0	1	1	NC	+ 100%
Property Crime Total	280	197	151	180	109	- 39 %	- 61%
Total Crimes	283	207	158	185	113	- 39 %	- 60 %

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