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Community Goals

Goal 1: By the year 2010, crime within Santa Cruz County will continue to decrease and residents will have increased confidence in their personal safety at home and in the community.

Community Hero:

Leonie Sherman

Goal 2: By the year 2010, children in Santa Cruz County will live in safer families and communities.

Community Hero:

Families Together staff, *Families Together*

How We're Making a Difference

National Night Out

Every year on the first Tuesday in August, Watsonville neighborhoods come alive with delicious BBQs, clowns and magicians, music, dancing, games, in a very unique and prominent civic event known as National Night Out. It is the largest event of its kind in Watsonville and is also celebrated at the same time by thousands of communities throughout the United States. This year, National Night Out in Watsonville was celebrated by eighteen neighborhoods, and was the culmination of a year of crime prevention activities by the residents of these neighborhoods.
















National Night Out is an opportunity for all segments of the community, including businesses, corporate sponsors, religious institutions, city agencies, and news media to come together around the shared goal of a safe, healthy community.



Cohesive, healthy neighborhoods are key to preventing crime and violence, and active neighborhoods build community. Neighbors get to know each other for the first time or rekindle friendships that create a sense of unity and confidence. Neighbors feel that they are surrounded by people who care about each other. It is an occasion to celebrate past successes, discuss current challenges or issues, and re-dedicate collaborative efforts with neighbors, police, businesses, and others to improve the quality of life in their city.

The National Night Out celebrations are accomplished through the hard work of individual community leaders and Neighborhood Watch captains throughout the City, and the event is coordinated through the City's Neighborhood Services Division of the Parks and Community Services Department and the Watsonville Police Department.

Public Safety Snapshot of Santa Cruz County

Indicator	Measurement	Data	Year	Trend	Direction	Page
Crime Rate	Crime rate – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 Residents</i>)	34.6	2008	↓		158
Jail Population Characteristics	Total average daily jail population – Santa Cruz County	496	2008	↓		162
Juvenile Crime	Juvenile arrest rate – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 youth ages 10-17</i>)	72.4	2008	↑		163
Concern About Crime/ Neighborhood Safety	Percent of telephone survey respondents who reported being “very concerned” about crime in Santa Cruz County	40.1%	2009	—		166
Police Officers	Number of sworn police officers – Santa Cruz County	375	2008	↑		168
Police Response	Average police response time, Priority 1 – Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office (<i>in minutes:seconds</i>)	8:27	2008	—		169
Law Enforcement Effectiveness	Percent of telephone survey respondents who felt that law enforcement in their community is “very effective”	41.3%	2009	—		169
Fire Response	Average fire response time to Code 3 emergency calls – Santa Cruz County Urban Areas (<i>in minutes:seconds</i>)	5:28	2008	—		171
Family Violence	Rate of domestic violence calls – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 population</i>)	3.2	2008	↓		173
Elder Abuse	Rate of reported cases of elder abuse – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 elders ages 65 and older</i>)	21.0	2008	↑		176
Child Abuse	Rate of substantiated cases of child abuse – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 youth ages 0-17</i>)	12.2	2008	↓		177
Foster Care Placements	Rate of first entries into foster care – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 1,000 youth ages 0-17</i>)	2.8	2008	↓		179
Driving Under the Influence	Adult DUI arrest rate – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 10,000 adults ages 18 and older</i>)	70.5	2008	↓		180
Drug Arrests	Adult drug arrest rate – Santa Cruz County (<i>per 10,000 adults ages 18 and older</i>)	115.0	2008	↑		182
Disaster Preparedness	Percent of telephone survey respondents who reported that they have an emergency supply kit set aside for immediate use that could sustain all members of the family or household for 72 hours	59.6%	2009	—		184

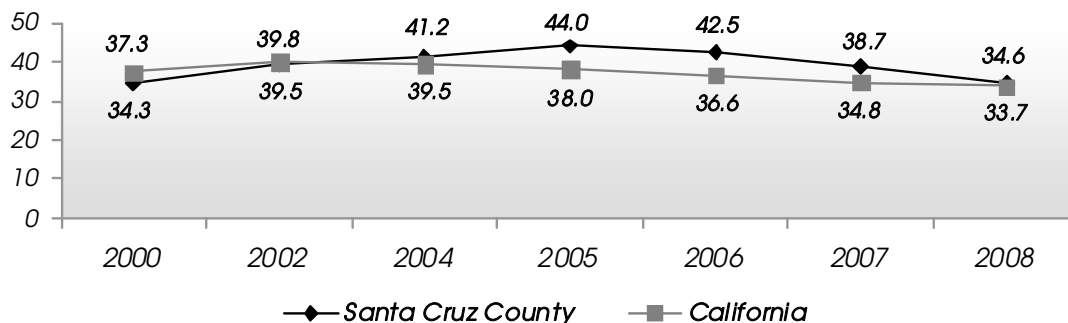
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Crime Rate

Total crime²⁰ was down from 44 crimes per 1,000 residents in 2005 to 34.6 crimes in 2008, due to a drop in property crimes. Property crime rates declined since 2005 but violent crimes rates increased since 2005.



Crime Rate per 1,000 Residents



Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

Number of Crimes, Santa Cruz County

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	905	746	864	806	744	878	886	-2.1%
Robbery	171	238	205	232	227	275	276	61.4%
Forcible Rape	102	109	124	112	96	80	77	-24.5%
Homicide	9	6	5	5	16	6	8	-11.1% ¹
Total Violent Crimes	1,187	1,099	1,198	1,155	1,083	1,239	1,247	5.1%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	4.7	4.3	4.6	4.4	4.1	4.7	4.7	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	5,516	6,844	6,849	7,256	7,118	6,547	5,601	1.5%
Burglary	1,468	1,676	1,697	1,940	1,961	1,602	1,585	8.0%
Motor Vehicle Theft	520	517	851	1,059	857	717	696	33.8%
Arson	44	72	59	49	85	89	72	63.6%
Total Property Crimes	7,548	9,109	9,456	10,304	10,021	8,955	7,954	5.4%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	29.6	35.3	36.5	39.6	38.3	34.0	29.9	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	8,735	10,208	10,654	11,459	11,104	10,194	9,201	5.3%
Population	255,000	258,400	258,886	260,339	261,385	263,499	265,782	4.2%
Santa Cruz County Crime Rate per 1,000	34.3	39.5	41.2	44.0	42.5	38.7	34.6	-
California Crime Rate per 1,000	37.3	39.8	39.5	38.0	36.6	34.8	33.7	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

Note: Santa Cruz County totals include the California Highway Patrol, U.C. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Mountains Department of Parks and Recreation and the Union Pacific Railroad.

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²⁰ Please see Appendix II for definitions of these crime types: “Aggravated Assault,” “Arson,” “Bodily Injury,” “Burglary,” “Homicide,” “Larceny,” “Motor Vehicle Theft,” “Rape,” and “Robbery.”

Number of Crimes, City of Capitola

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	49	38	46	54	49	63	76	55.1%
Robbery	11	17	17	9	9	13	18	63.6% ¹
Forcible Rape	2	12	7	7	3	9	5	150.0% ¹
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Total Violent Crimes	62	67	70	70	61	85	99	59.7%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	6.2	6.6	7.0	7.1	6.2	8.6	9.9	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	519	787	823	835	770	680	525	1.2%
Burglary	75	102	130	110	122	104	70	-6.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	17	28	34	42	42	27	14	-17.6% ¹
Arson	3	1	0	0	0	5	2	-33.3% ¹
Total Property Crimes	614	918	987	987	934	816	611	-0.5%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	61.2	90.9	98.7	99.4	94.3	82.1	61.2	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	676	985	1,057	1,057	995	901	710	5.0%
Population	10,000	10,100	10,005	9,927	9,908	9,935	9,988	-0.1%
Capitola Crime Rate per 1,000	67.4	97.5	105.6	106.5	100.4	90.7	71.1	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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Number of Crimes, City of Santa Cruz

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	421	316	348	356	251	335	313	-25.7%
Robbery	72	97	82	96	107	117	112	55.6%
Forcible Rape	48	43	59	49	38	28	19	-60.4%
Homicide	3	4	1	2	3	1	2	-33.3% ¹
Total Violent Crimes	544	460	490	503	399	481	446	-18.0%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	10.0	8.4	8.7	8.9	7.0	8.4	7.7	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	1,823	2,371	2,251	2,316	2,412	1,847	1,534	-15.9%
Burglary	400	534	534	573	537	410	412	3.0%
Motor Vehicle Theft	197	204	191	248	249	175	145	-26.4%
Arson	10	27	32	25	32	33	24	140.0% ¹
Total Property Crimes	2,430	3,136	3,008	3,162	3,230	2,465	2,115	-13.0%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	44.6	57.3	53.7	56.0	56.9	42.9	36.5	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	2,974	3,596	3,498	3,665	3,629	2,946	2,561	-13.9%
Population	54,500	54,700	56,018	56,470	56,729	57,423	57,975	6.4%
Santa Cruz City Crime Rate per 1,000	54.6	65.7	62.4	64.9	64.0	51.3	44.2	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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Number of Crimes, City of Scotts Valley

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	38	10	10	11	9	8	2	-94.7%
Robbery	4	1	3	2	2	1	4	0.0% ¹
Forcible Rape	2	1	2	2	2	2	4	100.0% ¹
Homicide	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-
Total Violent Crimes	44	12	15	16	13	11	10	-77.3%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	3.9	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.9	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	252	260	220	257	262	212	213	-15.5%
Burglary	67	45	35	79	60	51	53	-20.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	12	10	15	12	6	6	-25.0% ¹
Arson	0	2	3	1	2	3	3	-
Total Property Crimes	327	319	268	352	336	272	275	-15.9%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	28.8	27.7	23.2	30.4	29.1	23.5	23.6	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	371	331	283	368	349	283	285	-23.2%
Population	11,350	11,500	11,537	11,576	11,563	11,588	11,665	2.8%
Scotts Valley Crime Rate per 1,000	32.7	28.8	24.5	31.8	30.2	24.4	24.4	-

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Number of Crimes, City of Watsonville

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	224	215	180	137	199	269	255	13.8%
Robbery	59	84	76	81	82	110	81	37.3%
Forcible Rape	19	23	25	17	17	17	14	-26.3% ¹
Homicide	1	0	2	2	6	1	3	200.0% ¹
Total Violent Crimes	303	322	283	237	304	397	353	16.5%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	6.9	6.8	5.9	4.8	6.1	7.8	6.8	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	1,149	1,533	1,377	1,481	1,485	1,770	1,358	18.2%
Burglary	305	293	236	284	359	284	290	-4.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	134	111	176	278	163	222	224	67.2%
Arson	2	9	10	7	21	11	14	600.0%
Total Property Crimes	1,590	1,946	1,799	2,050	2,028	2,287	1,886	18.6%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	36.1	40.9	37.4	41.3	40.5	44.7	36.6	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	1,893	2,268	2,082	2,287	2,332	2,684	2,239	18.3%
Population	44,100	47,600	48,041	49,619	50,022	51,132	51,555	16.9%
Watsonville Crime Rate per 1,000	42.9	47.6	43.3	46.1	46.6	52.5	43.4	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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Number of Crimes, Unincorporated Areas (Sheriff's Office)

Type of Crime	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Violent Crime								
Aggravated Assault	163	160	270	237	233	198	236	44.8%
Robbery	25	38	23	44	25	33	61	144.0%
Forcible Rape	27	28	29	34	33	21	32	18.5%
Homicide	4	2	2	0	7	4	3	-25.0% ¹
Total Violent Crimes	219	228	324	315	298	256	332	51.6%
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	1.6	1.7	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.5	-
Property Crime								
Larceny	1,560	1,592	1,827	1,947	1,750	1,674	1,595	2.2%
Burglary	599	635	730	844	830	710	692	15.5%
Motor Vehicle Theft	12	10	16	15	16	12	11	-8.3% ¹
Arson	28	30	14	15	25	29	27	-3.6% ¹
Total Property Crimes	2,199	2,267	2,587	2,821	2,621	2,425	2,325	5.7%
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	16.3	16.9	19.4	21.3	19.7	18.2	17.3	-
Total Crime (Violent and Property)								
Total Number of Crimes	2,418	2,495	2,911	3,136	2,919	2,681	2,657	9.9%
Population	135,100	134,500	133,285	132,747	133,163	133,421	134,599	-0.4%
Unincorporated Crime Rate per 1,000	17.9	18.6	21.8	23.6	21.9	20.1	19.7	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

Note: Unincorporated areas are covered by the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office and include all areas except the cities of Capitola, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley, and Watsonville.

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Jail Population Characteristics

Over 70% of Santa Cruz County inmates in 2008 were repeat offenders. Alcohol-related bookings made up 45% of total bookings in 2008.



Average Daily Jail Population, Santa Cruz County

Facility	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Water Street Facility	337	370	400	389	347	346	315	-6.5%
Rountree Lane Facilities	219	192	180	190	161	157	158	-27.9%
Blaine Street Facility	24	22	26	25	24	25	23	-4.2% ¹
Total Average Daily Jail Population	580	584	606	604	532	528	496	-14.5%

Source: Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, 2009.

Note: The Water Street Facility figure includes pre-trial sentenced men and women; Blaine Street Facility figure includes sentenced men and women; Rountree Lane Facility figure includes sentenced men in medium and minimum security.

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Number and Percent of Prisoners Who Are Repeat Offenders, Santa Cruz County

Prison Population	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Total Inmates	8,350	8,324	8,057	8,043	8,028	8,192	7,922	-5.1%
Repeat Offenders	5,830	5,562	5,497	5,612	5,637	5,643	5,579	-4.3%
Percent of Repeat Offenders	69.8%	66.8%	68.2%	69.8%	70.2%	68.9%	70.4%	-

Source: Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, 2009.

Prison Population by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
African American	4.0%	4.2%	4.5%	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%	4.7%	0.7
American Indian	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	-0.2
Asian	0.6%	0.9%	1.1%	0.9%	0.8%	0.9%	0.7%	0.1
Caucasian	58.0%	58.6%	59.3%	58.2%	58.4%	57.8%	56.6%	-1.4
Filipino	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Hispanic	36.2%	35.1%	33.8%	35.2%	35.1%	35.2%	36.7%	0.5
Other	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%	1.0%	1.0%	0.8%	0.2
Santa Cruz County Total Inmates	8,350	8,324	8,057	8,043	8,028	8,192	7,922	-

Source: Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, 2009.

Number and Percent of All Bookings That Are Alcohol Related, Santa Cruz County

Bookings	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Total Bookings	12,540	12,472	12,580	12,807	12,653	12,957	13,170	5.0%
Alcohol Related Bookings	5,768	5,265	4,969	4,759	4,980	5,465	5,920	2.6%
Percent of Alcohol Related Bookings	46.0%	42.2%	39.5%	37.2%	39.4%	42.2%	45.0%	-

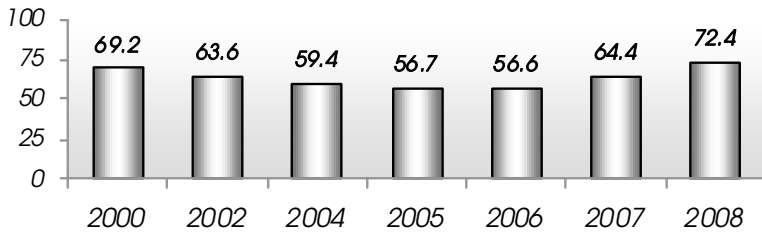
Source: Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, 2009.

Juvenile Crime

The juvenile misdemeanor and felony arrest rate in Santa Cruz County increased from 56.6 per 1,000 youth in 2006 to 72.4 per 1,000 youth in 2008. Juvenile crime data by ethnicity also showed that there was a considerably larger increase among the Hispanic juvenile population, compared to other ethnic groups.



Juvenile Arrest Rate per 1,000 Youth Ages 10-17, Santa Cruz County



Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2008. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, July 2007, 2009.

Number and Rate per 1,000 of Juvenile Arrests (Ages 10-17) by Jurisdiction, Santa Cruz County

Jurisdiction	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Juvenile Misdemeanor Arrests								
Capitola Police Department	177	211	184	174	135	131	113	-36.2%
Santa Cruz Police Department	360	320	275	283	249	247	248	-31.1%
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	393	442	415	347	299	320	323	-17.8%
Scotts Valley Police Department	69	85	44	65	90	77	87	26.1%
Watsonville Police Department	407	291	236	212	272	359	446	9.6%
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Misdemeanor Arrests	1,471	1,411	1,212	1,165	1,114	1,216	1,326	-9.9%
Juvenile Population (Ages 10-17)	27,991	30,500	27,817	27,552	27,238	26,735	24,917	-11.0%
Juvenile Misdemeanor Arrest Rate per 1,000¹	52.6	46.3	43.6	42.3	40.9	45.5	53.2	-
Juvenile Felony Arrests								
Capitola Police Department	47	37	22	23	20	33	45	-4.3%
Santa Cruz Police Department	124	91	92	86	80	89	88	-29.0%
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	160	191	147	138	136	123	117	-26.9%
Scotts Valley Police Department	21	41	21	22	12	24	15	-28.6% ²
Watsonville Police Department	103	162	146	112	176	228	203	97.1%
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Felony Arrests	465	530	439	397	428	506	478	2.8%
Juvenile Population (Ages 10-17)	27,991	30,500	27,817	27,552	27,238	26,735	24,917	-11.0%
Juvenile Felony Arrest Rate per 1,000¹	16.6	17.4	15.8	14.4	15.7	18.9	19.2	-
Total Juvenile Arrests¹ (Misdemeanor and Felony)								
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Arrests¹	1,936	1,941	1,651	1,562	1,542	1,722	1,804	-6.8%
Juvenile Population (Ages 10-17)	27,991	30,500	27,817	27,552	27,238	26,735	24,917	-11.0%
Total Juvenile Arrest Rate per 1,000¹	69.2	63.6	59.4	56.7	56.6	64.4	72.4	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, July 2007, 2009.

Note: The total of all jurisdictions will not equal Santa Cruz County total. The County total includes the California Highway Patrol, U.C. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Mountains Department of Parks and Recreation and the Union Pacific Railroad.

¹ Total juvenile arrests and the total juvenile arrest rate do not include status offenses.

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Juvenile Crime (Ages 0-17) by Ethnicity, Santa Cruz County

Ethnicity	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
Black	3.4%	2.8%	2.5%	3.3%	2.0%	4.0%	3.4%	0.0
Hispanic	40.4%	43.4%	44.3%	38.1%	45.3%	48.7%	56.3%	15.9
White (Not Hispanic)	54.2%	50.7%	50.1%	55.2%	51.1%	44.6%	38.3%	-15.9
Other	2.0%	3.1%	3.2%	3.4%	1.6%	2.7%	2.0%	0.0
Total Juvenile Arrests¹	2,043	1,941	1,672	1,585	1,578	1,783	1,866	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009.

¹ The total does not compare to the previous total because it includes Status Offenses in addition to Misdemeanor and Felony arrests.

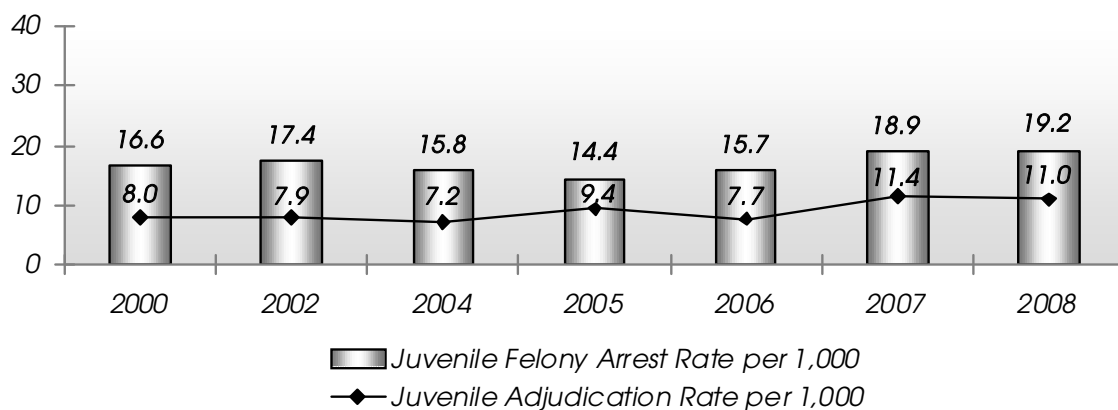
Juvenile Crime by Age, Santa Cruz County

Age	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
10 Years and Younger	0.2%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	-0.2
11 Years	0.8%	0.8%	0.6%	0.4%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	-0.6
12 Years	2.5%	2.9%	2.6%	3.0%	1.9%	2.2%	2.5%	0.0
13 Years	7.1%	7.0%	7.6%	6.9%	5.4%	6.6%	6.9%	-0.2
14 Years	15.4%	14.4%	13.7%	14.1%	13.0%	15.8%	11.7%	-3.6
15 Years	20.0%	20.8%	19.9%	22.4%	22.3%	22.7%	21.4%	1.4
16 Years	26.7%	24.7%	26.1%	24.0%	27.9%	25.6%	27.4%	0.7
17 Years	27.3%	29.1%	29.5%	29.0%	29.1%	26.8%	29.8%	2.5
Total Juvenile Arrests¹	2,043	1,941	1,672	1,585	1,578	1,783	1,866	-

Source: Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009.

¹ The total does not compare to the previous total because it includes Status Offenses in addition to Misdemeanor and Felony arrests.

Juvenile Felony Arrests / Adjudications (Ages 0-17), Santa Cruz County



Source: Santa Cruz County Probation Department, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, July 2007, 2009.

Note: Only a portion of youth who are arrested are referred to juvenile court for adjudication (formal handling by the court).

Juvenile Hall Admissions, Santa Cruz County

Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Annual Admissions	1,583	1,068	892	851	842	855	794	-49.8%
Average Monthly Admissions	132	89	74	71	70	71	66	-50.0%
Juvenile Population (Ages 10-17)	27,991	30,500	27,817	27,552	27,238	26,735	24,917	-11.0%
Juvenile Admission Rate per 1,000	56.6	35.0	32.1	30.9	30.9	32.0	31.9	-

Source: Santa Cruz County Probation Department, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, July 2007, 2009.

Juvenile Hall Admissions by Gender, Santa Cruz County

Gender	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
Male	76.6%	79.9%	75.9%	74.9%	82.1%	81.6%	84.1%	7.5
Female	23.3%	20.1%	24.1%	25.1%	17.9%	18.4%	15.9%	-7.4

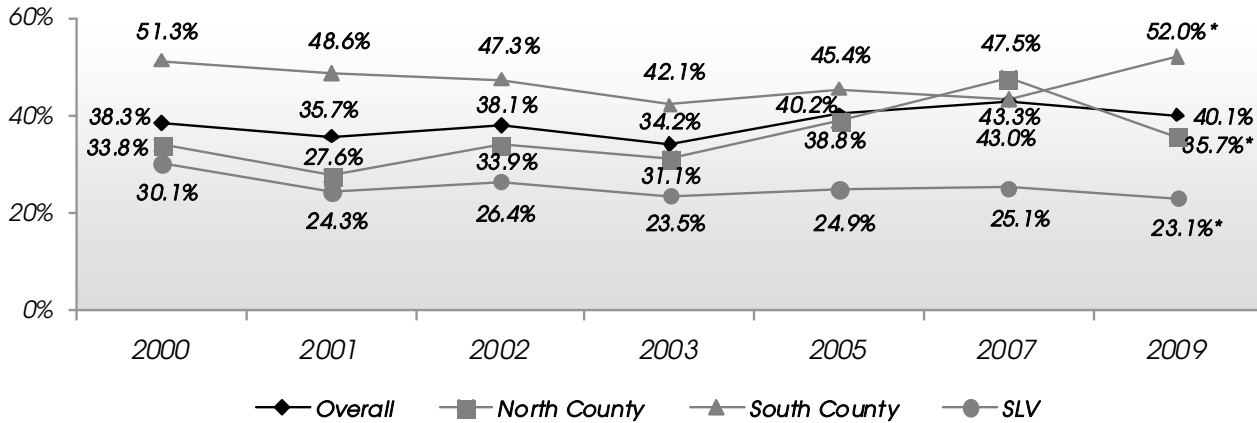
Source: Santa Cruz County Probation Department, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, July 2007, 2009.

Concern About Crime / Neighborhood Safety

Overall, the percentage of Santa Cruz County telephone survey respondents who reported being “very” concerned about crime in the County stayed relatively constant. Regional breakdown showed that South County had a significantly higher percentage of respondents who felt “very” concerned, compared to San Lorenzo Valley and North County.



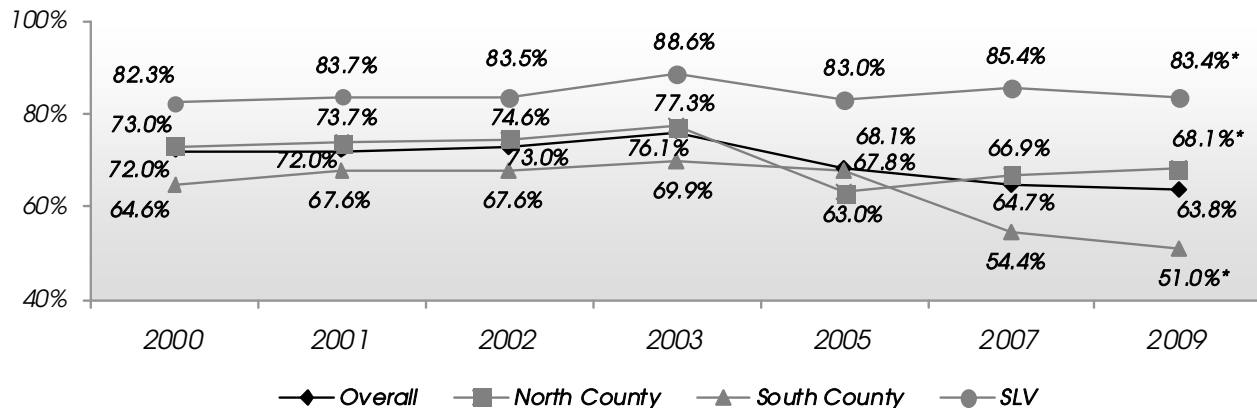
☎ How concerned are you about crime in Santa Cruz County? (Respondents answering “Very Concerned”) By Region



Overall N: 2000=658; 2001=699; 2002=683; 2003=701; 2005=708; 2007=708; 2009=845.
 North County N: 2000=346; 2001=200; 2002=233; 2003=235; 2005=243; 2007=239; 2009=336.
 South County N: 2000=195; 2001=290; 2002=226; 2003=242; 2005=238; 2007=240; 2009=287.
 SLV N: 2000=113; 2001=212; 2002=223; 2003=222; 2005=227; 2007=227; 2009=223.
 Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

* Significance Testing:
 South County respondents were significantly more likely than North County and San Lorenzo Valley respondents to be very concerned about crime in Santa Cruz County.
 North County respondents were significantly more likely than San Lorenzo Valley respondents to be very concerned about crime in Santa Cruz County.

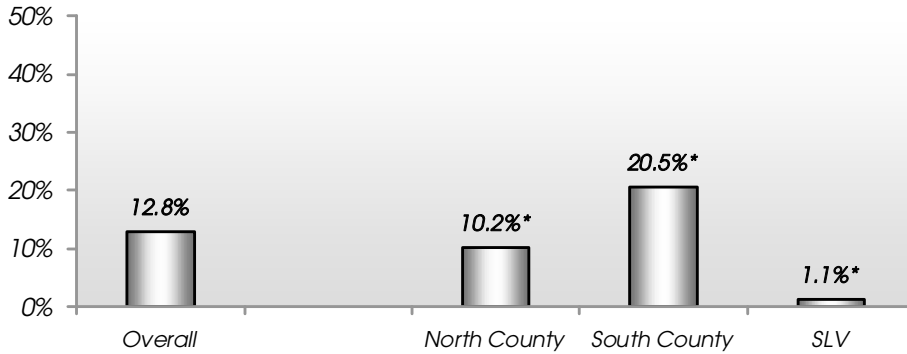
☎ How safe would you say you feel in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering “Very Safe”) By Region



Overall N: 2000=657; 2001=706; 2002=684; 2003=702; 2005=707; 2007=711; 2009=854.
 North County N: 2000=345; 2001=203; 2002=233; 2003=236; 2005=242; 2007=239; 2009=341.
 South County N: 2000=195; 2001=290; 2002=227; 2003=241; 2005=237; 2007=241; 2009=289.
 SLV N: 2000=113; 2001=212; 2002=224; 2003=225; 2005=228; 2007=231; 2009=224.
 Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

* Significance Testing:
 San Lorenzo Valley respondents were significantly more likely than North County and South County respondents to feel very safe in their neighborhood.
 North County respondents were significantly more likely than South County respondents to feel very safe in their neighborhood.

☎ How much of an impact have gangs had in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering "Big Impact") By Region - 2009



N: Overall=852; North County=341; South County=287; SLV=224.

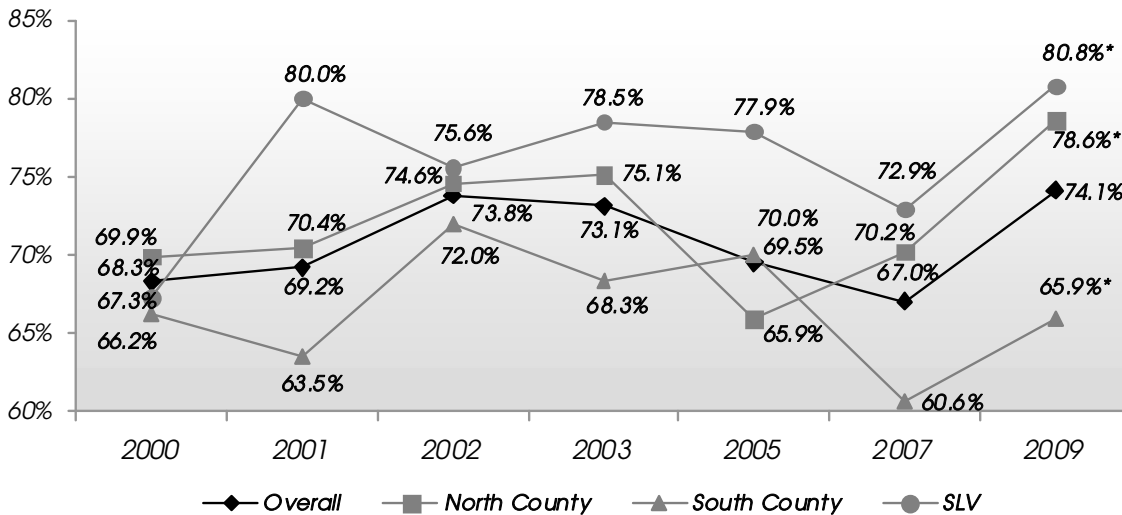
Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

*** Significance Testing:**

South County respondents were significantly more likely than North County and San Lorenzo Valley respondents to believe that gangs have had a big impact in their neighborhood.

North County respondents were significantly more likely than San Lorenzo Valley respondents to believe that gangs have had a big impact in their neighborhood.

☎ Do you feel children have a safe place to play in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering "Yes") By Region



Overall N: 2000=657; 2001=696; 2002=673; 2003=700; 2005=698; 2007=701; 2009=841.

North County N: 2000=345; 2001=200; 2002=229; 2003=236; 2005=240; 2007=235; 2009=334.

South County N: 2000=195; 2001=286; 2002=222; 2003=240; 2005=234; 2007=238; 2009=286.

SLV N: 2000=113; 2001=211; 2002=224; 2003=223; 2005=224; 2007=229; 2009=221.

Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

*** Significance Testing:**

North County and San Lorenzo Valley respondents were significantly more likely than South County respondents to feel that children have a safe place to play in their neighborhood.

Police Officers

In Santa Cruz County, the number of sworn police officers increased over the past decade. Capitola had the highest rate of officers per capita (1 per 476) while Watsonville had the lowest (1 per 806) in 2008.



Number of Sworn Officers

Agency	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Capitola Police Department	23	19	19	20	22	23	21	-8.7% ¹
Santa Cruz Police Department	96	99	100	90	94	95	93	-3.1%
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office (Unincorporated Areas)	137	135	129	130	153	163	177	29.2%
Scotts Valley Police Department	22	22	20	20	20	20	20	-9.1% ¹
Watsonville Police Department	62	61	64	64	65	60	64	3.2%
Santa Cruz County Total	340	336	332	324	354	361	375	10.3%

Source: All Santa Cruz County Law Enforcement Jurisdictions, 2009.

Note: Officer count is typically performed during the month of October.

¹ Caution should be used when interpreting this result, as percent change calculations based on small numbers are unstable and can be misinterpreted.

Officers per Capita, Santa Cruz County

Agency	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Capitola Police Department	1 per 487	1 per 532	1 per 527	1 per 496	1 per 450	1 per 433	1 per 476
Santa Cruz Police Department	1 per 583	1 per 553	1 per 560	1 per 627	1 per 604	1 per 604	1 per 623
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office (Unincorporated Areas)	1 per 1,013	1 per 996	1 per 1,033	1 per 1021	1 per 870	1 per 819	1 per 760
Scotts Valley Police Department	1 per 493	1 per 523	1 per 577	1 per 579	1 per 578	1 per 497	1 per 583
Watsonville Police Department	1 per 615	1 per 780	1 per 751	1 per 775	1 per 770	1 per 852	1 per 806

Source: All Santa Cruz County Law Enforcement Jurisdictions, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2009, with 2000 DRU Benchmark, Sacramento, California, 2009.*

Note: The officers per capita figure is calculated by dividing the total population in a given jurisdiction by the number of sworn officers in that jurisdiction. Officer count is typically performed during the month of October.

Police Response

Although average police response times to high priority (Priority 1) calls decreased for the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office and the Capitola and Watsonville Police Departments, the average response times for the Santa Cruz and Scotts Valley Police Departments increased.



Average Response Time, Priority 1 (In Minutes:Seconds)

Agency	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	02-08 Net Change
Capitola Police Department	4:11	4:05	4:08	4:07	3:45	3:34	3:47	-0:24
Santa Cruz Police Department	4:19	4:30	4:33	4:25	4:22	4:26	4:38	0:19
Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office (Unincorporated Areas)	8:57	8:25	8:12	8:38	8:17	8:14	8:27	-0:30
Scotts Valley Police Department	2:42	2:11	2:45	3:11	3:27	2:53	2:57	0:15
Watsonville Police Department	4:00	4:04	3:54	4:10	3:50	3:52	3:46	-0:14

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center and Scotts Valley Police Department, 2009.

Note: Priority 1 is defined as a call for assistance that involves a person or an accident. Priority 2 involves property crimes and Priority 3 calls are informational.

Average Response Time, Priority 2 (In Minutes:Seconds)

Agency	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	02-08 Net Change
Capitola Police Department	8:11	7:47	7:14	7:59	6:53	6:11	6:21	-1:50
Santa Cruz Police Department	7:48	7:30	7:47	8:34	8:41	8:07	7:57	0:09
Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office (Unincorporated Areas)	16:20	15:46	14:56	16:41	16:07	16:20	16:17	-0:03
Scotts Valley Police Department	4:12	6:20	12:07	12:07	13:00	13:00	11:07	6:55
Watsonville Police Department	7:28	7:35	6:56	8:05	7:60	7:48	8:01	0:33

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center and Scotts Valley Police Department, 2009.

Note: Priority 1 is defined as a call for assistance that involves a person or an accident. Priority 2 involves property crimes and Priority 3 calls are informational.

Average Response Time, Priority 3 (In Minutes:Seconds)

Agency	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	02-08 Net Change
Capitola Police Department	18:20	15:28	14:04	17:46	17:30	18:08	17:15	-1:05
Santa Cruz Police Department	17:15	17:14	16:21	18:40	18:29	16:43	17:30	0:15
Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office (Unincorporated Areas)	25:43	24:07	25:28	30:15	30:29	32:00	31:58	6:15
Scotts Valley Police Department	19:42	16:42	21:00	30:02	26:07	21:12	19:02	-0:40
Watsonville Police Department	19:51	18:40	16:36	17:59	18:31	18:16	19:20	-0:31

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center and Scotts Valley Police Department, 2009.

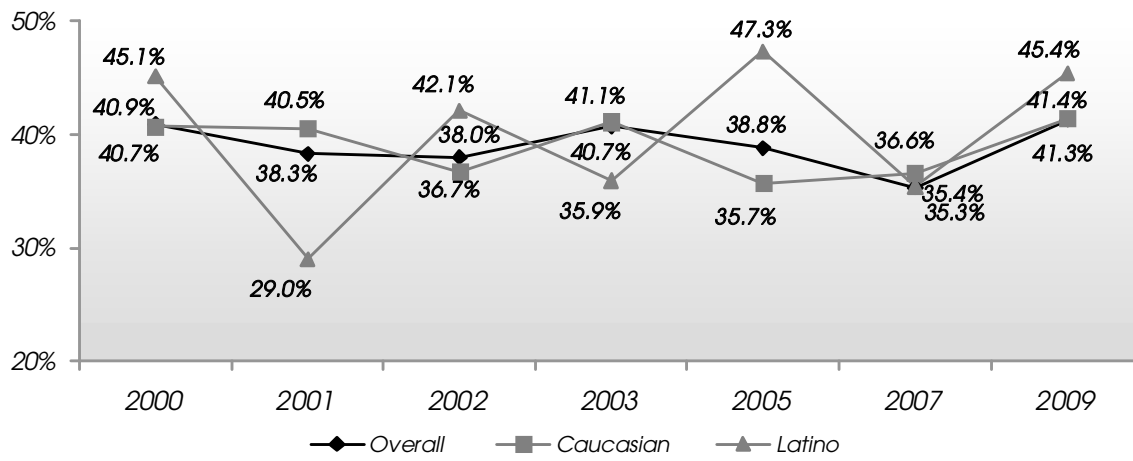
Note: Priority 1 is defined as a call for assistance that involves a person or an accident. Priority 2 involves property crimes and Priority 3 calls are informational.

Law Enforcement Effectiveness

Over the past decade, the percentage of Santa Cruz County telephone survey respondents who reported feeling that law enforcement in their community is “very” effective remained fairly constant. Latino telephone survey respondents rated law enforcement as more effective than Caucasian respondents in 2009.



📞 How effective do you think law enforcement is in our community? (Respondents answering “Very”) By Ethnicity



Overall N: 2000=658; 2001=701; 2002=681; 2003=699; 2005=705; 2007=681; 2009=826.
 Caucasian N: 2000=445; 2001=488; 2002=474; 2003=487; 2005=493; 2007=470; 2009=576.
 Latino N: 2000=142; 2001=159; 2002=154; 2003=158; 2005=159; 2007=159; 2009=189.
 Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

Fire Response

Although data showed a considerably big increase in the number of fire and medical related calls to firefighters in Santa Cruz County, the average response time to high priority calls decreased for most fire districts between 2004 and 2008, and stayed relatively the same for the remaining districts.



Number of Fire Related Calls by Fire District

Fire District / Department	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	04-08 % Change
Aptos / La Selva	717	811	747	742	772	7.7%
Ben Lomond	128	112	136	162	148	15.6%
Boulder Creek	251	243	253	259	291	15.9%
Branciforte	80	78	69	88	114	42.5%
Central	1,188	1,209	1,297	1,163	1,337	12.5%
Felton	193	219	203	206	251	30.1%
Santa Cruz	1,561	1,536	1,519	1,519	1,717	10.0%
Scotts Valley	446	506	523	479	462	3.6%
Watsonville	1,180	1,289	1,325	1,250	1,306	10.7%
Zayante	112	121	96	100	131	17.0%
Santa Cruz County Total	5,856	6,124	6,168	5,968	6,529	11.5%

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center, 2009.

Number of Medical Related Calls by Fire District

Fire District / Department	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	04-08 % Change
Aptos / La Selva	951	930	1,074	1,156	1,275	34.1%
Ben Lomond	167	134	190	201	184	10.2%
Boulder Creek	299	314	375	317	375	25.4%
Branciforte	39	55	43	64	43	10.3%
Central	2,627	2,762	2,737	3,088	3,539	34.7%
Felton	222	277	302	319	308	38.7%
Santa Cruz	3,459	3,494	4,001	4,596	5,142	48.7%
Scotts Valley	806	908	929	983	1,063	31.9%
Watsonville	2,503	2,379	2,569	3,007	3,249	29.8%
Zayante	98	73	87	89	95	-3.1%
Santa Cruz County Total	11,171	11,326	12,307	13,820	15,273	36.7%

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center, 2009.

Code 3 Average Response Time for Emergency Calls by Fire District (In Minutes:Seconds)

Fire District / Department	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	04-08 Net Change
Aptos / La Selva	5:29	5:15	5:26	5:27	5:24	-0:05
Ben Lomond	6:12	6:27	5:60	6:14	5:36	-0:36
Boulder Creek	7:16	7:12	6:32	6:14	5:59	-1:17
Branciforte	6:50	6:06	5:38	6:47	6:57	0:07
Central	4:45	4:28	4:34	4:42	4:49	0:05
Felton	5:54	5:53	6:02	6:07	5:49	-0:05
Santa Cruz	4:51	4:39	4:21	4:24	4:36	-0:15
Scotts Valley	5:14	5:09	5:04	5:09	4:54	-0:20
Watsonville	4:11	5:13	4:51	4:49	4:30	0:19
Zayante	7:12	7:37	8:24	7:20	7:42	0:30
Urban Areas - Santa Cruz County	5:38	5:50	6:02	5:47	5:28	-0:10
Rural Areas - Santa Cruz County	10:31	10:11	10:08	10:14	9:39	-0:52

Source: Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center, 2009.

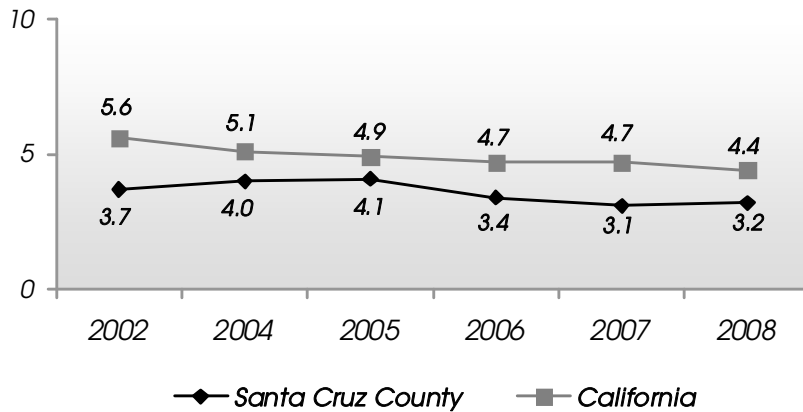
Note: Code 3 is red lights and siren emergencies.

Family Violence

The rate of domestic violence calls decreased in both Santa Cruz County and California since 2002. However, family violence is typically underreported. South County telephone survey respondents reported the largest impacts from domestic violence and child abuse in their neighborhoods in 2009.



Rate of Domestic Violence Calls per 1,000 Population



Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2009, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

Number and Rate of Domestic Violence Calls per 1,000 Population

Agency	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	02-08 % Change
Capitola Police Department	26	13	20	38	32	33	26.9%
Santa Cruz Police Department	191	438	417	311	300	297	55.5%
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office (Unincorporated Areas)	456	344	357	283	213	275	-39.7%
Scotts Valley Police Department	43	35	51	31	33	26	-39.5%
Watsonville Police Department	242	196	221	220	241	206	-14.9%
Santa Cruz County Total Number of Calls¹	968	1,032	1,077	890	823	847	-12.5%
Santa Cruz County Population	258,400	258,886	260,339	261,385	263,499	265,782	2.9%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 1,000	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.4	3.1	3.2	-
California Rate per 1,000	5.6	5.1	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.4	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

¹The total of all jurisdictions will not equal Santa Cruz County total. The County total includes the California Highway Patrol, U.C. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Mountains Department of Parks and Recreation and the Union Pacific Railroad.

Number and Rate of Domestic Violence Cases with Weapons per 1,000 Population

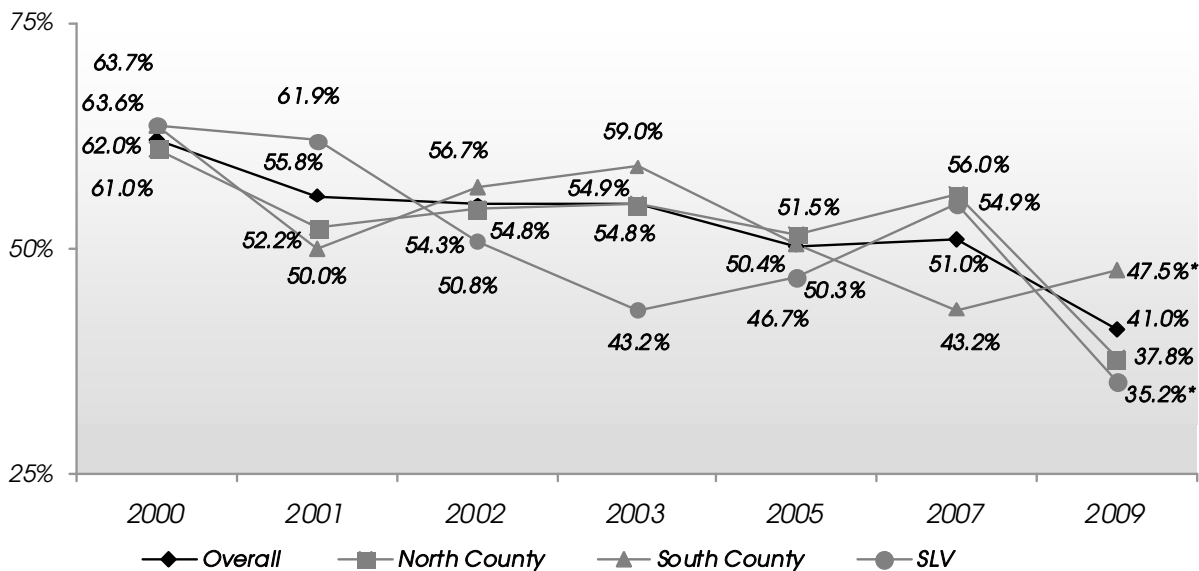
Agency	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	02-08 % Change
Capitola Police Department	15	9	17	32	29	32	113.3%
Santa Cruz Police Department	176	41	30	29	35	23	-86.9%
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office (Unincorporated Areas)	116	61	46	64	51	65	-44.0%
Scotts Valley Police Department	11	3	10	5	2	1	-90.9% ¹
Watsonville Police Department	133	24	16	22	26	20	-85.0%
Santa Cruz County Total Number of Cases²	457	264	123	152	144	141	-69.1%
Santa Cruz County Population	258,400	258,886	260,339	261,385	263,499	265,782	2.9%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 1,000	1.8²	1.0	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	-
California Rate per 1,000	3.4	2.7	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.7	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State, 2001-2006, with 2000 DRU Benchmark*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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² The total of all jurisdictions will not equal Santa Cruz County total. The County total includes the California Highway Patrol, U.C. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Mountains Department of Parks and Recreation and the Union Pacific Railroad.

☎ How concerned are you about family violence in our community (includes domestic violence, child abuse, and senior abuse)? (Respondents answering "Very Concerned") By Region



Overall N: 2000=658; 2001=698; 2002=679; 2003=699; 2005=700; 2007=688; 2009=834.

North County N: 2000=346; 2001=203; 2002=230; 2003=235; 2005=235; 2007=230; 2009=333.

South County N: 2000=195; 2001=284; 2002=227; 2003=240; 2005=239; 2007=235; 2009=281.

SLV N: 2000=113; 2001=209; 2002=221; 2003=225; 2005=228; 2007=223; 2009=221.

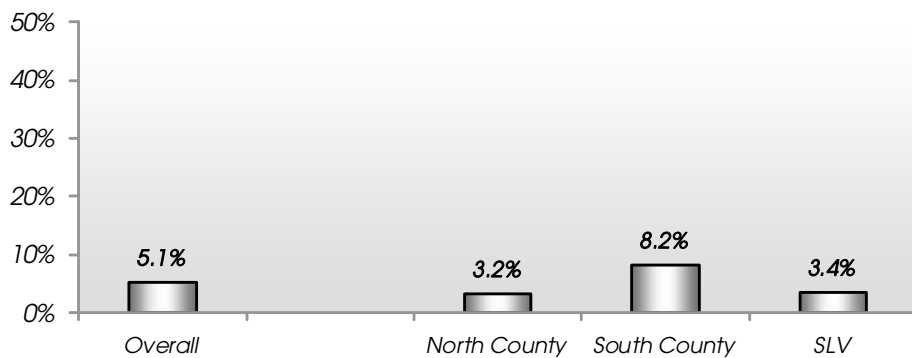
Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, *Telephone Survey*, 2009.

Note: In 2009, survey question changed from "in Santa Cruz County" to "in our community."

* Significance Testing:

South County respondents were significantly more likely than San Lorenzo Valley respondents to be very concerned about family violence in the community.

☎ How much of an impact has partner/ domestic violence abuse had in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering "Big Impact") By Region - 2009



N: Overall=854; North County=341; South County=289; SLV=224.

Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, *Telephone Survey*, 2009.

Elder Abuse

Although the rate of reported cases of elder abuse in Santa Cruz County decreased slightly since 2007, Santa Cruz County saw an overall increase in reported cases of elder abuse over the past decade. When telephone survey respondents were asked how much of an impact elder abuse has had in their neighborhood, South County residents were significantly more likely than North County or San Lorenzo Valley residents to believe that elder abuse has had a “big” impact.

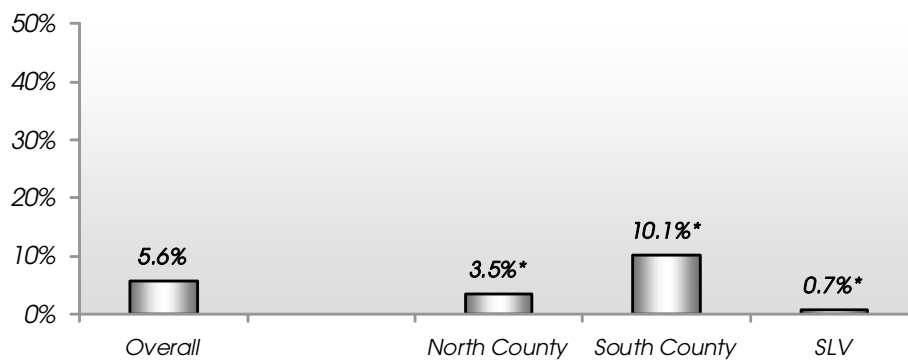


Number and Rate of Reported Cases of Elder Abuse per 1,000 Elders Ages 65 and Older

Reported Cases	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Cases of Elder Abuse by Another	167	183	203	198	269	301	301	80.2%
Cases of Elder Self-Neglect	124	132	134	214	255	351	230	85.5%
Santa Cruz County Total Number of Cases	291	315	337	412	524	652	531	82.5%
Population (Ages 65 and Older)	28,109	28,720	26,319	26,570	26,862	27,447	25,247	-10.2%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 1,000	10.4	11.0	12.8	15.5	19.5	23.8	21.0	-

Source: Santa Cruz County Human Resources Agency, Adult and Long Term Care Division, *Health and Welfare Agency Annual Statistical Report, 2009*. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

☎ How much of an impact has elder abuse (such as financial abuse) had in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering “Big Impact”) By Region - 2009



N: Overall=854; North County=341; South County=289; SLV=224.

Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, *Telephone Survey, 2009*.

* Significance Testing:

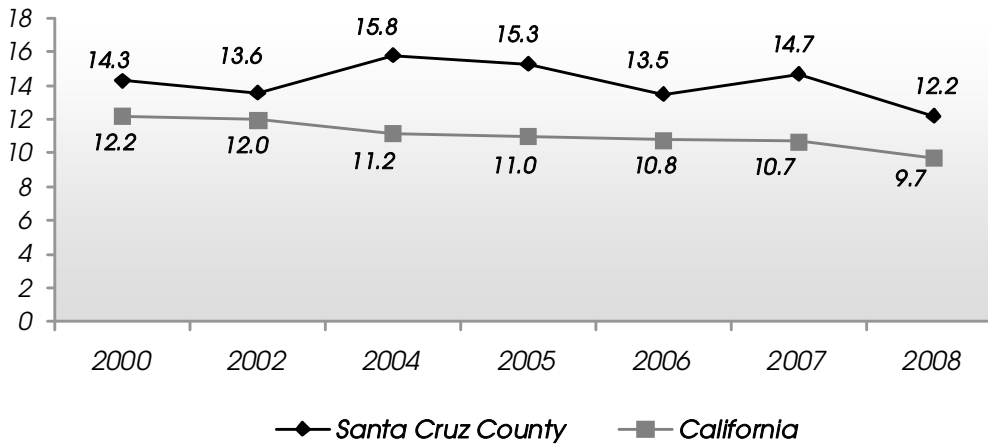
South County respondents were significantly more likely than North County or San Lorenzo Valley respondents to believe that elder abuse has had a big impact in their neighborhood.

Child Abuse

Child abuse rates have been typically higher in Santa Cruz County than across California, although Santa Cruz County is known to do a better job at reporting the co-occurrence of domestic violence and child maltreatment which may contribute to the higher Santa Cruz County rate.



Rate of Substantiated Cases of Child Abuse per 1,000 Youth Ages 0-17



Source: Needell, B. et al. (2009). *Child Welfare Services Reports for California*. Retrieved July 27, 2009, from University of California at Berkeley Center for Social Services Research website. URL: <http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports>.

Number of Substantiated Child Abuse¹ Cases by Type of Abuse

Type of Abuse	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
General Neglect	232	201	351	336	308	363	290	25.0%
Substantial Risk	5	3	71	163	154	226	146	2,820.0%
Emotional Abuse	316	376	283	192	165	98	128	-59.5%
Physical Abuse	114	95	74	73	74	52	58	-49.1%
Severe Neglect	37	14	23	19	13	41	47	27.0%
Sexual Abuse	48	51	49	36	44	33	25	-47.9%
At Risk, Sibling Abused	48	18	15	11	18	8	3	-93.8%
Caretaker Absence or Incapacity	70	55	56	60	12	4	3	-95.7%
Exploitation	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	-100.0% ²
Santa Cruz County Total	872	813	923	892	788	825	700	-19.7%
California Total	113,904	115,668	111,003	109,502	108,309	107,483	96,575	-15.2%

Source: Needell, B. et al. (2009). *Child Welfare Services Reports for California*. Retrieved July 27, 2009, from University of California at Berkeley Center for Social Services Research website. URL: <http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports>.

Note: A child is counted only once per year, in category of highest severity.

¹ Please see Appendix II for definitions of "Child" and these child abuse types: "Caretaker Absence or Incapacity," "Emotional Abuse," "Exploitation," "General Neglect," "Physical Abuse," "Severe Neglect," and "Sexual Abuse."

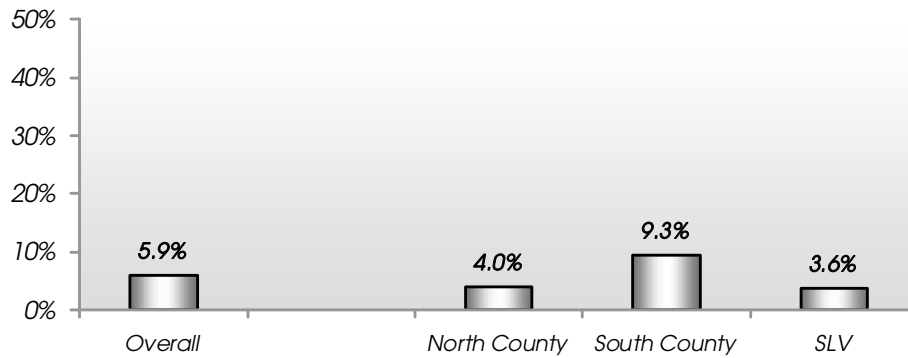
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Rate of Substantiated Cases of Child Abuse per 1,000 Youth Ages 0-17 by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
Asian / Pacific Islander	8.4	9.1	3.1	6.5	5.4	3.7	4.7	-3.7
Black	29.9	25.9	38.1	43.4	36.1	36.7	46.4	16.5
Hispanic	21.9	17.1	18.3	17.6	15.2	16.1	12.2	-9.7
Native American	3.7	3.8	0.0	0.0	7.6	4.0	8.3	4.6
White	8.5	10.3	13.0	13.1	12.3	14.1	12.5	4.0
Missing	14.4	16.1	21.7	12.3	5.6	4.3	6.4	-8.0
Santa Cruz County Total	14.3	13.6	15.8	15.3	13.5	14.7	12.2	-2.1
California Total	12.2	12.0	11.2	11.0	10.8	10.7	9.7	-2.5

Source: Needell, B. et al. (2009). *Child Welfare Services Reports for California*. Retrieved July 27, 2009, from University of California at Berkeley Center for Social Services Research website. URL: <http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSReports>.

☎ How much of an impact has child abuse had in your neighborhood? (Respondents Answering "Big Impact") By Region - 2009



N: Overall=854; North County=341; South County=289; SLV=224.

Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, Telephone Survey, 2009.

Foster Care Placements

Over the past decade, the rate of first entries into foster care among Santa Cruz County youth ages 0-17 years decreased. In addition, the number of children who, after 12 months in foster care, exited and were reunified with their parents increased considerably.



Rate of First Entries into Foster Care per 1,000 Youth Ages 0-17 by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 Net Change
Asian / Pacific Islander	2.8	1.3	0.0	2.9	2.7	1.1	0.0	-2.8
Black	12.0	10.0	12.0	11.8	7.6	5.5	28.6	16.6
Hispanic	4.6	2.8	4.5	3.9	3.2	3.0	2.6	-2.0
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	2.4	1.8	3.5	3.8	2.7	3.7	2.9	0.5
Missing	1.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
Total Foster Care First Entries	201	135	224	218	170	179	162	-
Santa Cruz County Rate per 1,000	3.3	2.3	3.8	3.7	2.9	3.1	2.8	-0.5
California Rate per 1,000	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.6	-0.6

Source: Needell, B. et al, (2008). *Child Welfare Services Reports for California*. Retrieved Aug 25, 2009, from University of California at Berkeley Center for Social Services Research website. URL: <http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports>.

Exit Status After 12 Months in Foster Care

Exit Status	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	00-07 Net Change
Reunified	50.6%	54.6%	44.5%	54.8%	48.7%	62.9%	12.3
Still In Foster Care	40.0%	38.0%	47.4%	40.1%	40.9%	25.7%	-14.3
Guardianship	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	3.6%	2.3
Emancipated	2.0%	0.9%	1.0%	0.5%	0.6%	2.4%	0.4
Adopted	3.3%	1.9%	2.4%	1.0%	3.9%	1.2%	-2.1
Other	2.7%	4.6%	4.8%	3.6%	2.6%	4.2%	1.5
Santa Cruz County Total	150	108	209	197	154	167	-

Source: Needell, B. et al, (2008). *Child Welfare Services Reports for California*. Retrieved Sep 29, 2009, from University of California at Berkeley Center for Social Services Research website. URL: <http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports>.

Note: This indicator is based on children who entered foster care for the first time during the period, and who remained in care for eight days or longer.

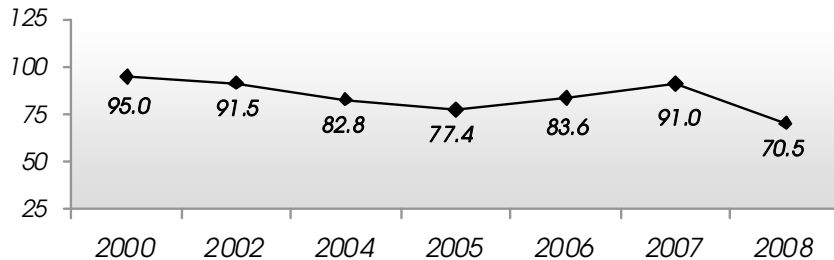
Note: Data presented are most recent data available.

Driving Under the Influence

Adult DUI arrest rates in Santa Cruz County dropped from 95.0 to 70.5 per 10,000 ages 18 and older from 2007 to 2008.



Adult DUI Arrest Rate per 10,000 Population Ages 18 and Older, Santa Cruz County



Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2008. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

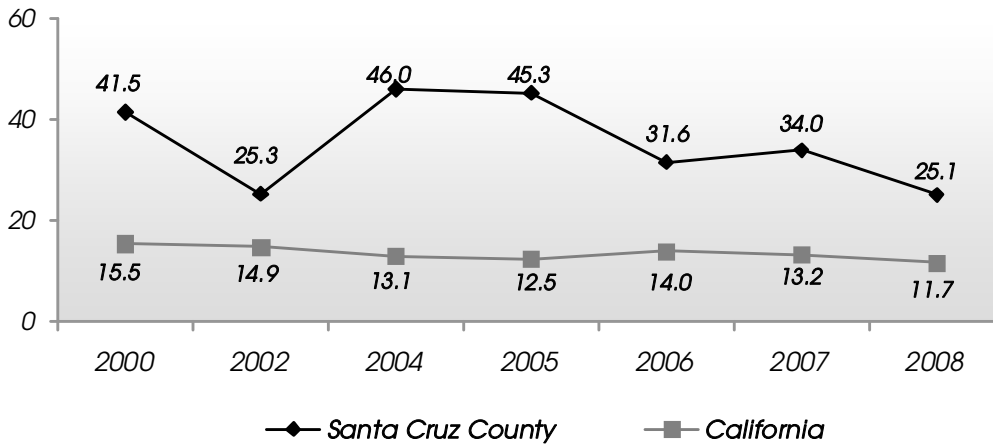
Number of Adult DUI Arrests by Ethnicity (Ages 18 and Older)

Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Adult Misdemeanor DUI Arrests								
Black	36	49	32	34	34	38	27	-25.0%
Hispanic	565	576	551	495	556	630	574	1.6%
White (Not Hispanic)	1,142	1,125	984	965	1,035	1,118	783	-31.4%
Other	53	47	63	38	57	74	39	-26.4%
Santa Cruz County Total Adult Misdemeanor DUI Arrests	1,796	1,797	1,630	1,532	1,682	1,860	1,423	-20.8%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	92.4	89.2	81.1	75.5	81.7	89.3	68.4	-
California Rate per 10,000	71.1	67.0	65.5	64.3	69.1	70.5	74.3	-
Adult Felony DUI Arrests								
Black	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0.0% ¹
Hispanic	15	14	7	15	11	11	17	13.3% ¹
White (Not Hispanic)	35	30	25	24	27	20	25	-28.6%
Other	0	2	2	1	1	1	1	-
Santa Cruz County Total Adult Felony DUI Arrests	51	46	34	40	39	34	44	-13.7%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	2.6	2.3	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.6	2.1	-
California Rate per 10,000	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	-
Total Adult DUI Arrests (Misdemeanor and Felony)								
Black	37	49	32	34	34	40	28	-24.3%
Hispanic	580	590	558	510	567	641	591	1.9%
White (Not Hispanic)	1,177	1,155	1,009	989	1,062	1,138	808	-31.4%
Other	53	49	65	39	58	75	40	-24.5%
Santa Cruz County Total Adult DUI Arrests	1,847	1,843	1,664	1,572	1,721	1,894	1,467	-20.6%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	95.0	91.5	82.8	77.4	83.6	91.0	70.5	-
California Rate per 10,000	73.6	69.1	68.1	67.0	72.1	73.6	76.4	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2008. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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Juvenile Misdemeanor DUI Arrest Rate per 10,000 Youth Ages 16 -17



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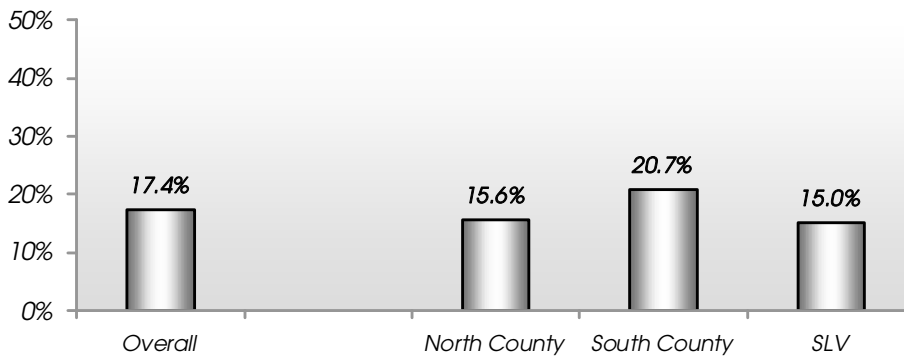
Number of Juvenile Misdemeanor DUI Arrests by Ethnicity (Ages 16-17)

Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Juvenile Misdemeanor DUI Arrests							
Black	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Hispanic	11	6	11	6	9	5	8
White (Not Hispanic)	16	12	19	25	13	19	8
Other	1	0	2	1	0	1	0
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Misdemeanor DUI Arrests	28	18	32	32	23	25	17
Juvenile Population Ages 16-17	6,755	7,120	6,951	7,070	7,272	7,357	6,784
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	41.5	25.3	46.0	45.3	31.6	34.0	25.1
California Rate per 10,000	15.5	14.9	13.1	12.5	14.0	13.2	11.7

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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☎ How much of an impact has drug and alcohol abuse had in your neighborhood? (Respondents answering "Big Impact") By Region - 2009



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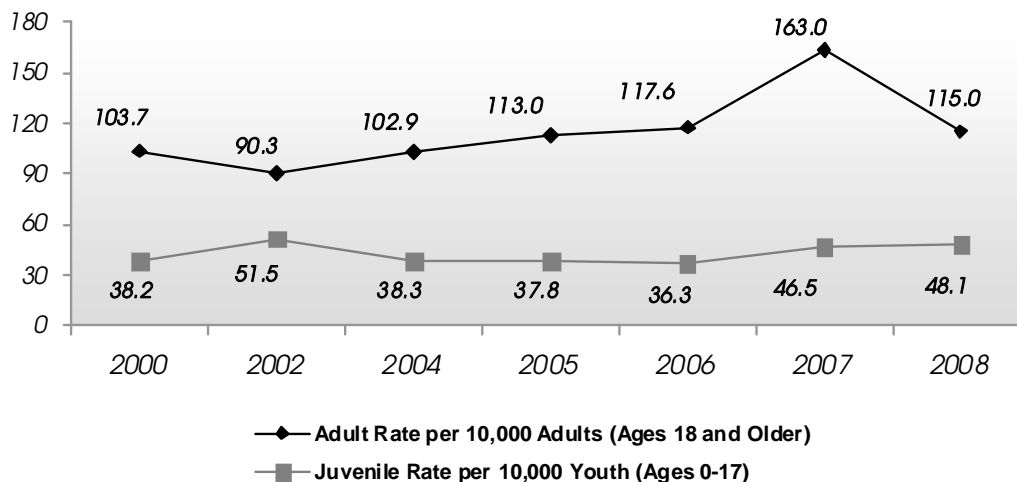
Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, *Telephone Survey*, 2009.

Drug Arrests

Over the last eight years, total adult drug arrests (misdemeanor and felony) fluctuated from a low of 90.3 in 2002 to 115.0 per 10,000 in 2009. Total juvenile drug arrests increased from 38.2 in 2000 to 48.5 in 2008.



Drug Arrest Rate per 10,000 Adults (Ages 18 and Older) and Youth (Ages 0-17), Santa Cruz County



Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

Number of Adult Drug Arrests (Ages 18 and Older)

Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Adult Misdemeanor Drug Arrests								
Marijuana	367	354	228	289	293	359	452	23.2%
Other Drug Violations	787	681	893	1,004	1,186	2,191	1,208	53.5%
Santa Cruz County Total Adult Misdemeanor Drug Arrests	1,154	1,035	1,121	1,293	1,479	2,550	1,660	43.8%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	59.3	51.4	55.7	63.7	71.9	122.5	79.8	-
Adult Felony Drug Arrests								
Narcotics	504	412	478	383	409	428	392	-22.2%
Marijuana	109	127	67	73	64	84	95	-12.8%
Dangerous Drugs	225	227	394	527	456	316	229	1.8%
Other Drug Violations	24	18	10	18	13	15	16	-33.3% ¹
Santa Cruz County Total Adult Felony Drug Arrests	862	784	949	1,001	942	843	732	-15.1%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	44.3	38.9	47.2	49.3	45.8	40.5	35.2	-

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Number of Adult Drug Arrests (Ages 18 and Older)

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Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Total Adult Drug Arrests (Misdemeanor and Felony)								
Narcotics	504	412	478	383	409	428	392	-22.2%
Marijuana	476	481	295	362	357	443	547	14.9%
Dangerous Drugs	225	227	394	527	456	316	229	1.8%
Other Drug Violations	811	699	903	1,022	1,199	2,206	1,224	50.9%
Santa Cruz County Total Adult Drug Arrests	2,016	1,819	2,070	2,294	2,421	3,393	2,392	18.7%
Population (Ages 18 and Older)	194,477	201,487	201,078	202,994	205,835	208,201	208,049	7.0%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	103.7	90.3	102.9	113.0	117.6	163.0	115.0	-

Source: California Department of Justice, *California Criminal Justice Profile*, 2009. California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*, Sacramento, California, 2009.

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Number of Juvenile Drug Arrests (Ages 0-17)

Category	2000	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	00-08 % Change
Juvenile Misdemeanor Drug Arrests								
Marijuana	116	184	133	141	130	172	190	63.8%
Other Drug Violations	52	56	40	37	39	60	45	-13.5%
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Misdemeanor Drug Arrests	168	240	173	178	169	232	235	39.9%
Population (Ages 0-17)	60,949	59,853	58,481	58,182	58,147	57,878	57,529	-5.6%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	27.6	40.1	29.6	30.6	29.1	40.1	40.8	-
Juvenile Felony Drug Arrests								
Narcotics	26	32	21	10	13	9	11	-57.7% ¹
Marijuana	23	21	18	16	15	20	21	-8.7% ¹
Dangerous Drugs	16	14	12	16	14	8	10	-37.5% ¹
Other Drug Violations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	-
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Felony Drug Arrests	65	68	51	42	42	37	42	-35.4%
Population (Ages 0-17)	60,949	59,853	58,481	58,182	58,147	57,878	57,529	-5.6%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	10.7	11.4	8.7	7.2	7.2	6.4	7.3	-
Total Juvenile Drug Arrests (Misdemeanor and Felony)								
Narcotics	26	32	21	10	13	9	11	-57.7% ¹
Marijuana	139	205	151	157	145	192	211	51.8%
Dangerous Drugs	16	14	12	16	14	8	10	-37.5% ¹
Other Drug Violations	52	57	40	37	39	60	45	-13.5%
Santa Cruz County Total Juvenile Drug Arrests	233	308	224	220	211	269	277	18.9%
Population (Ages 0-17)	60,949	59,853	58,481	58,182	58,147	57,878	57,529	-5.6%
Santa Cruz County Rate per 10,000	38.2	51.5	38.3	37.8	36.3	46.5	48.1	-


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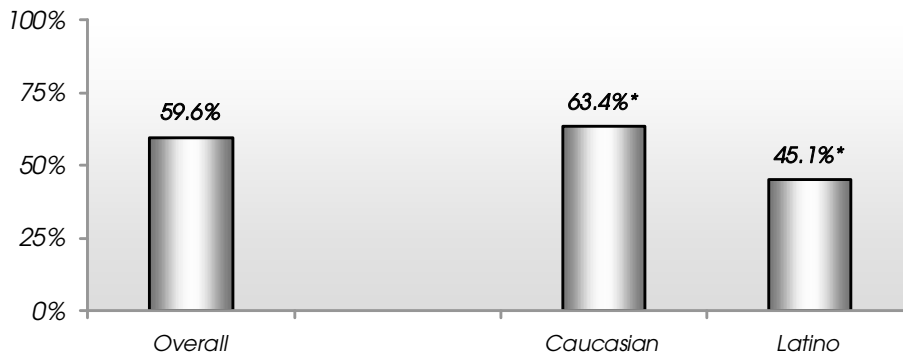
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Disaster Preparedness

Over half of Santa Cruz County telephone survey respondents reported that they have an emergency supply kit set aside for immediate use that could sustain all members of the family or household for three days. Moreover, significance testing revealed that Caucasian respondents were significantly more likely than Latino respondents to have an emergency kit set aside.



 Does your family or household have an emergency supply kit set aside for immediate use that could sustain all members of the family or household for 72 hours? (Respondents answering “Yes”) By Ethnicity - 2009



N: Overall=852; Caucasian=596; Latino=191.

Source: Santa Cruz County Community Assessment Project, *Telephone Survey*, 2009.

* Significance Testing:

Caucasian respondents were significantly more likely than Latino respondents to have an emergency supply kit set aside.