

# Crime in Tarrant County 2016 Annual Report

## The UCR Program

In an effort to quantify the number of crimes committed in Tarrant County (*reported by 38 law enforcement agencies*), the Uniform Crime Reporting program (UCR) collects reports of crimes and arrests from Texas law enforcement agencies. This information is collected from the Crime Records Division of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

## A Crime Index

To track the variations in crime, the UCR data collection program uses a statistical summary tool referred to as the Crime Index. Rather than collecting reports of all crimes that were committed in a particular year, UCR collects the reports of seven index crimes (i.e., *criminal offenses*). The crimes in this group are all *significant*, either by their very nature or because of the frequency with which they occur and present a common enforcement problem to police agencies. Violent crimes include murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault. Property crimes include burglary, larceny-theft and motor vehicle theft. Although arson is an index crime in that the numbers of reported offenses are collected, arson is not featured of this Index Crime report.

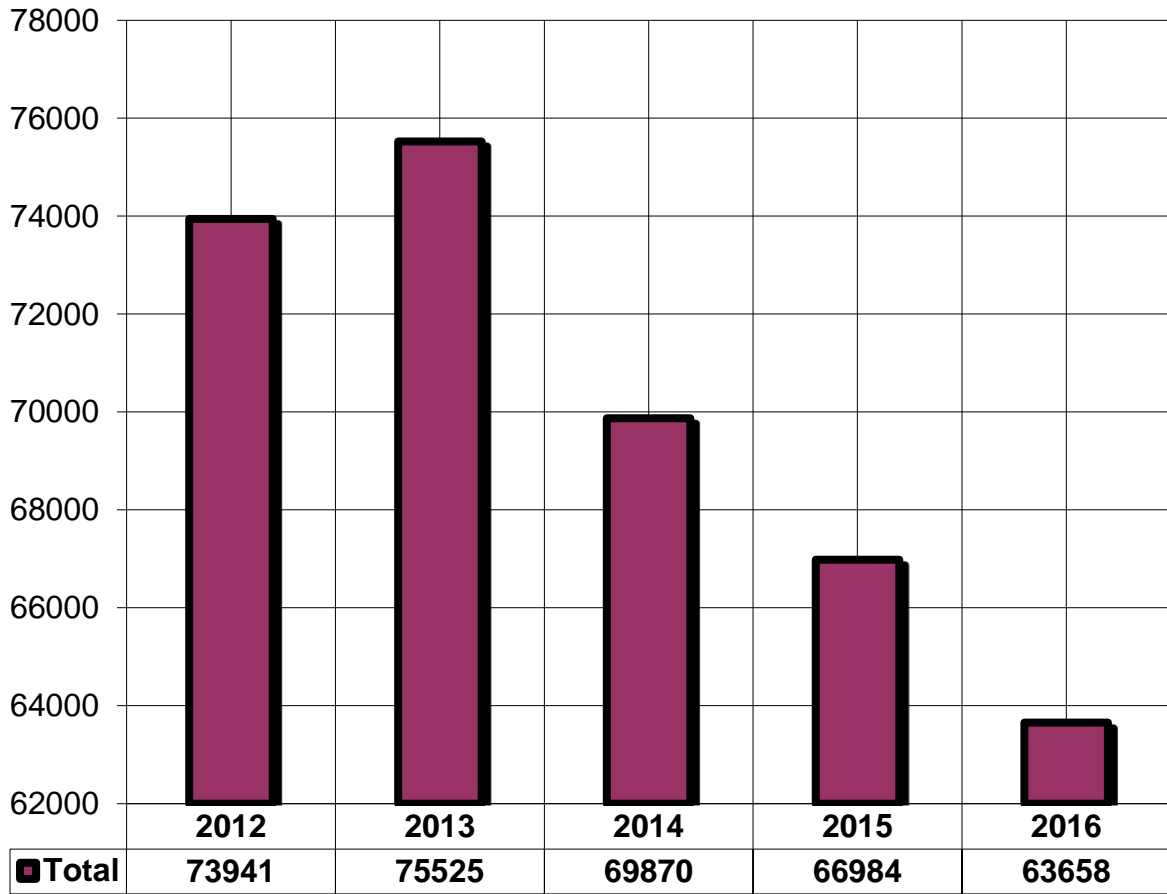
## Offenses

Of the seven *Index Crimes*<sup>1</sup> (*criminal offenses*); crime in Tarrant County decreased in 2016. Compared to 2015, overall Index Crime in Tarrant County decreased 5%; Total Violent Crimes increased 5% and Total Property Crime decreased 6.3%; of the seven index crimes separately, Murder was up 53%; Rape was up 11%; Robbery was up 17%; Assault was down 1%; Burglary was down 9%; Theft was down 7%; and Motor Vehicle Theft was up 8%.

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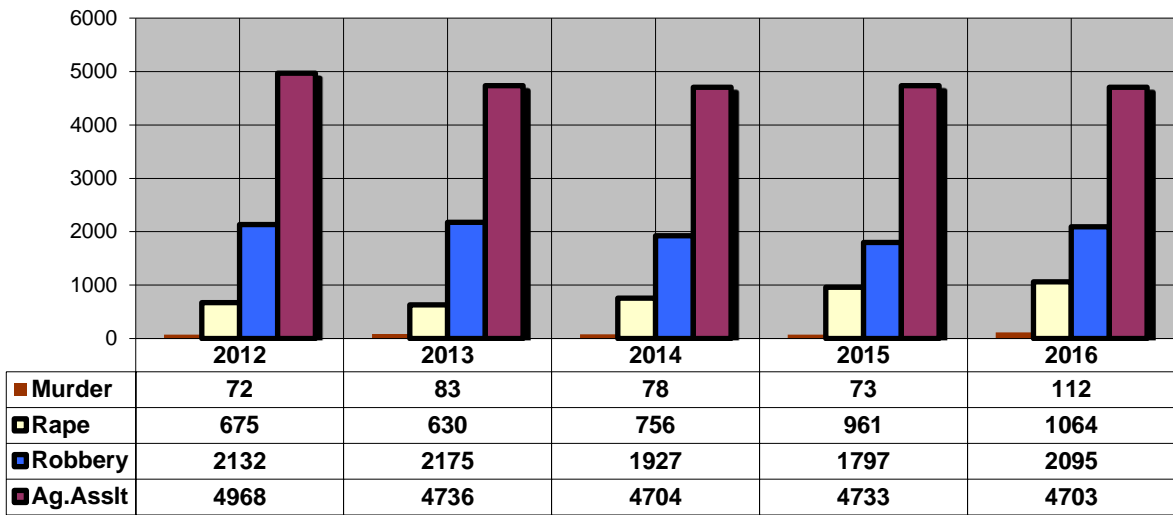
<sup>1</sup> Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Theft/Larceny and Auto Theft

**Tarrant County Index Crime UCR  
5 Year Comparison (All Offenses)**

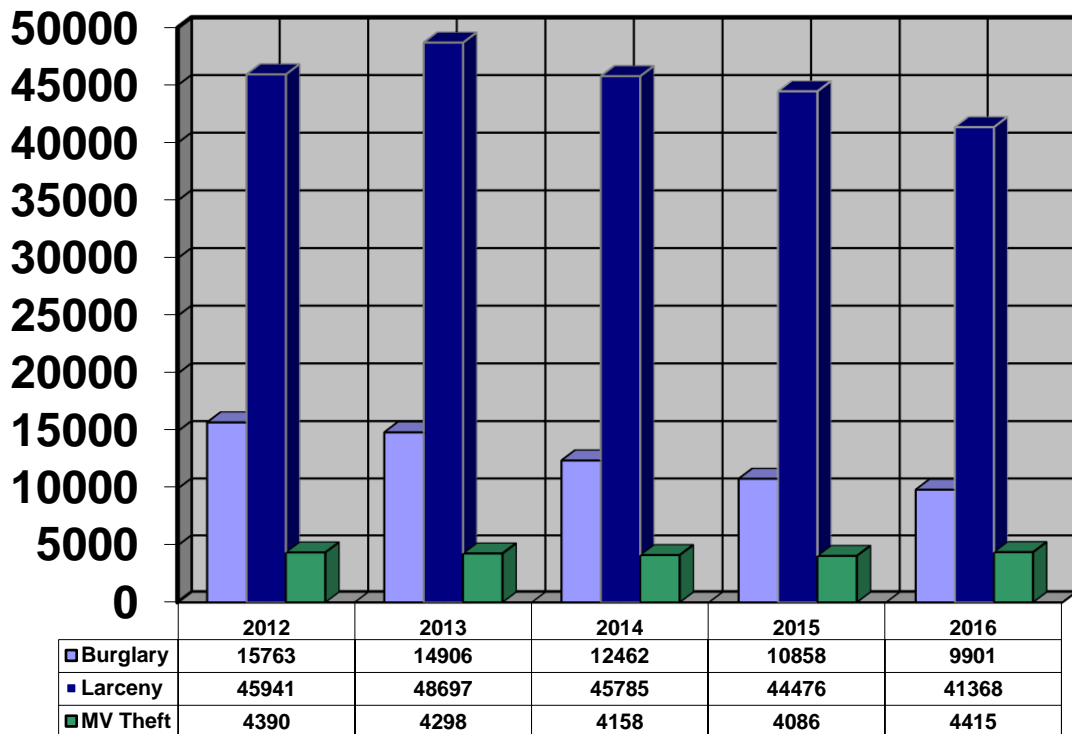


**Reported by Tarrant County Law Enforcement Agencies**

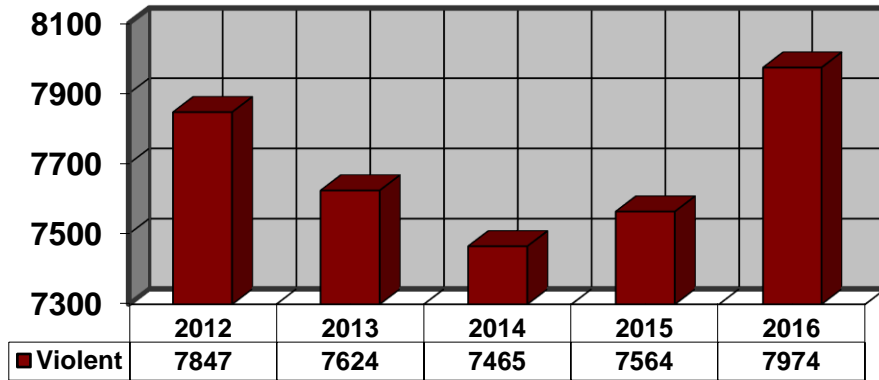
**Tarrant County Index Crime UCR  
5 Year Comparison (By Offenses)**



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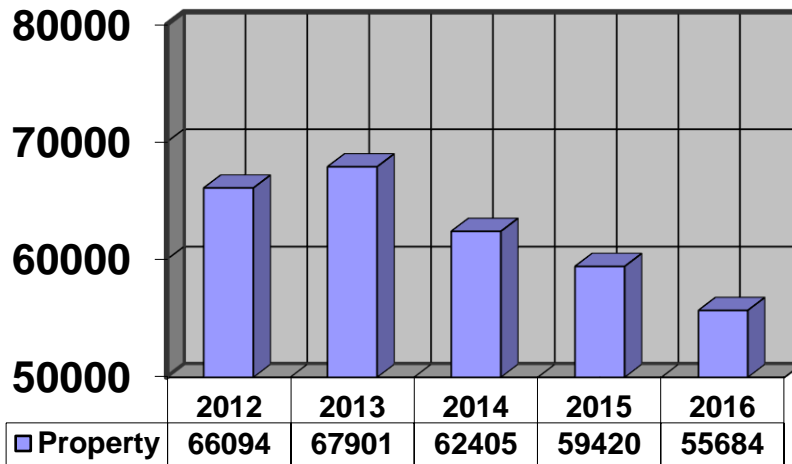


### Tarrant County Index Violent Crime Offenses 5 Year Comparison



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### Tarrant County Index Property Crime Offenses UCR Offenses 5 Year Comparison

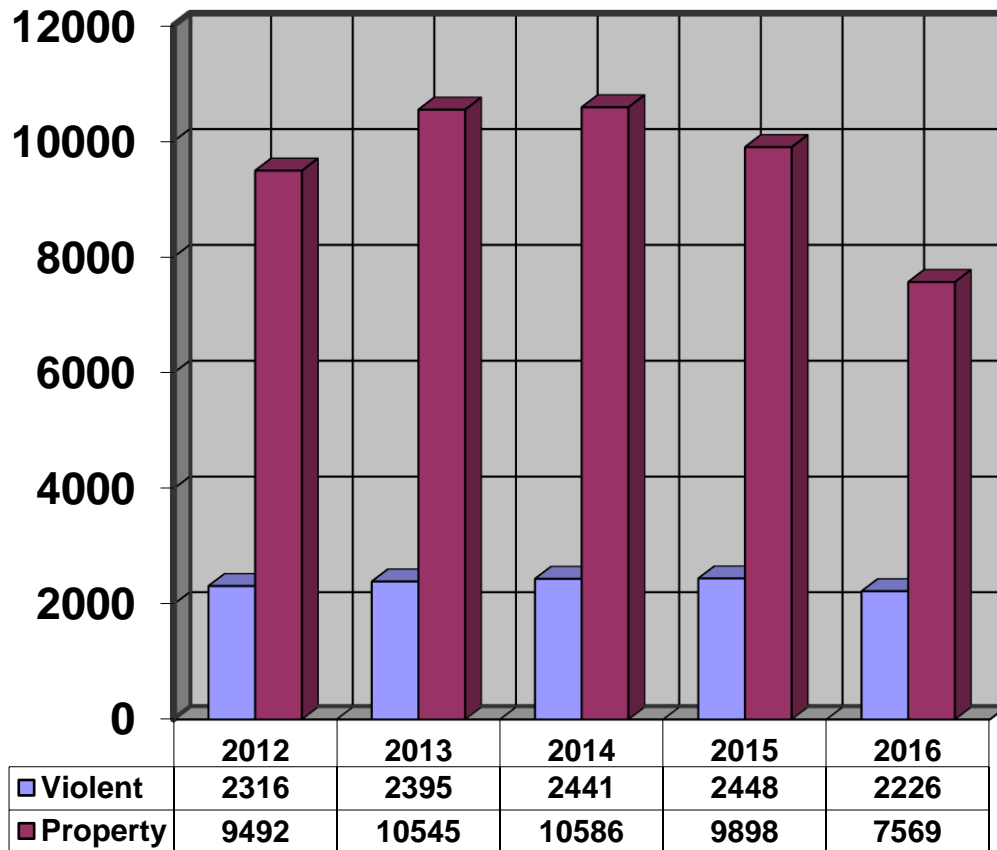


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## Index Crime Arrests Over 18 Years of Age (2015-2016% Change)

Of arrests in Tarrant County for the seven *Index Crimes*,<sup>2</sup> arrests for individuals over 18 years of age decreased in 2016. Compared to 2015, overall Index Crime arrests in Tarrant County decreased 21%; total violent crime arrests decreased 9% and total property crime arrests decreased 24%. Of the Index Crime arrests separately, Murder was the only increase (10%).

Tarrant County UCR 18 YOA & Over Arrests  
Index Crime 5 Year Comparison



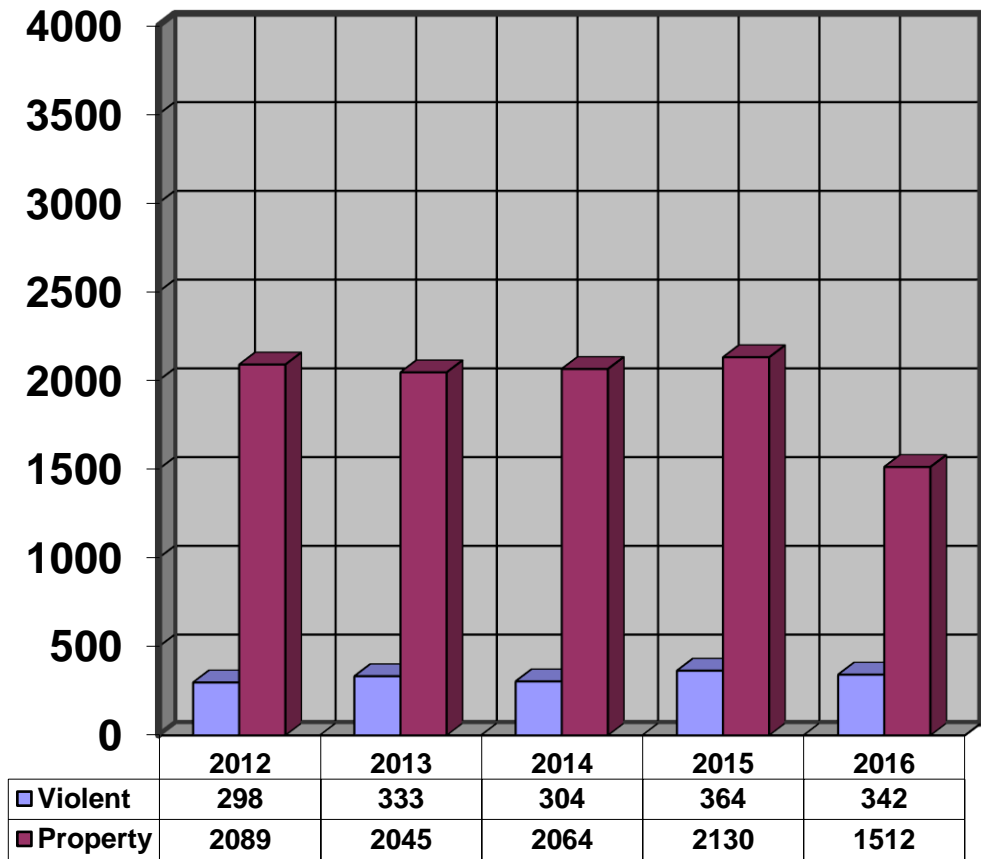
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<sup>2</sup> Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Theft/Larceny and Auto Theft

## Index Crime Arrests 17 Years of Age and Under (2015-2016% Change)

Of arrests in Tarrant County for the seven *Index Crimes*,<sup>3</sup> arrests for individuals 17 years of age and under, decreased in 2016. Compared to 2015, overall Index Crime arrests in Tarrant County decreased 26%; total violent crime arrests decreased 6% and total property crime arrests decreased 29%.

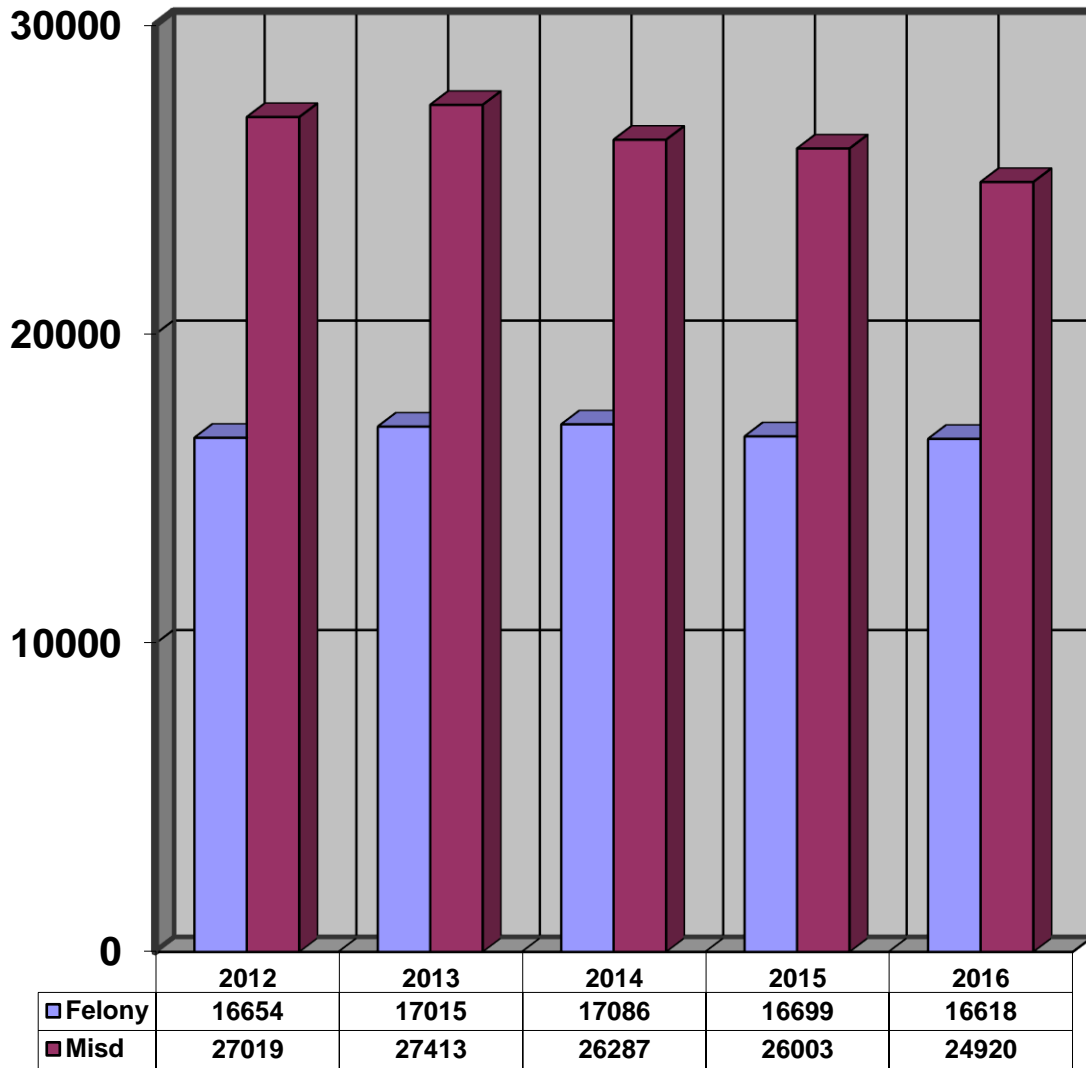
**Tarrant County UCR**  
17 YOA & Under Arrests  
**Index Crime 5 Year Comparison**



**Reported by Tarrant County Law Enforcement Agencies**

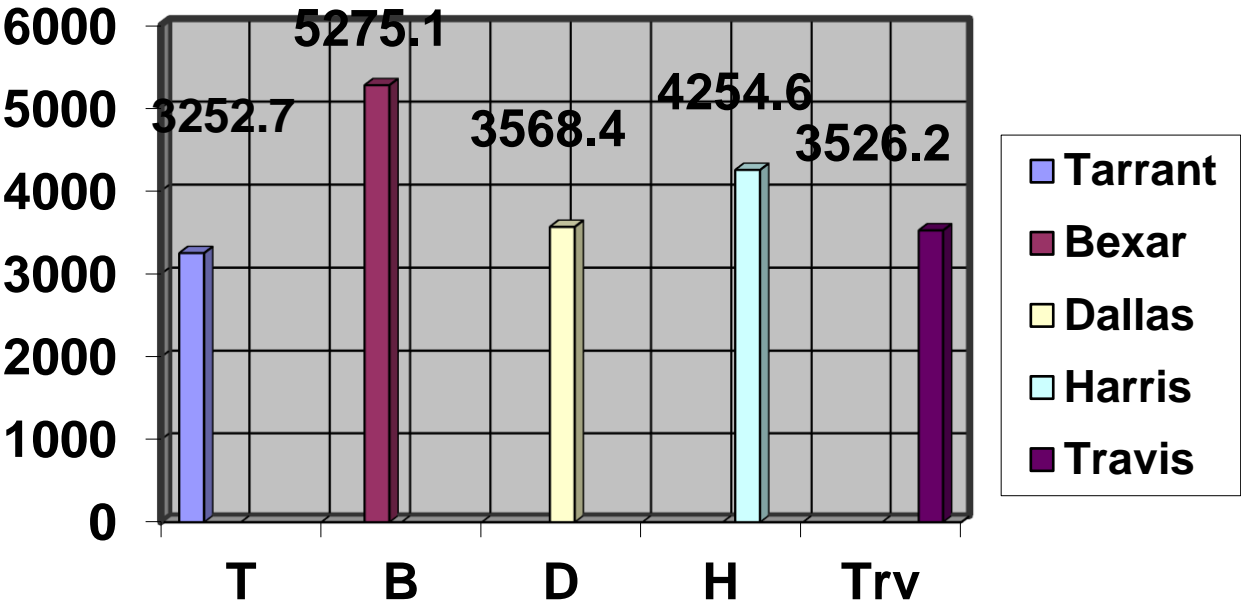
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**Tarrant County 2016  
Felony and Misdemeanor Case Filings  
5 Year Comparison**

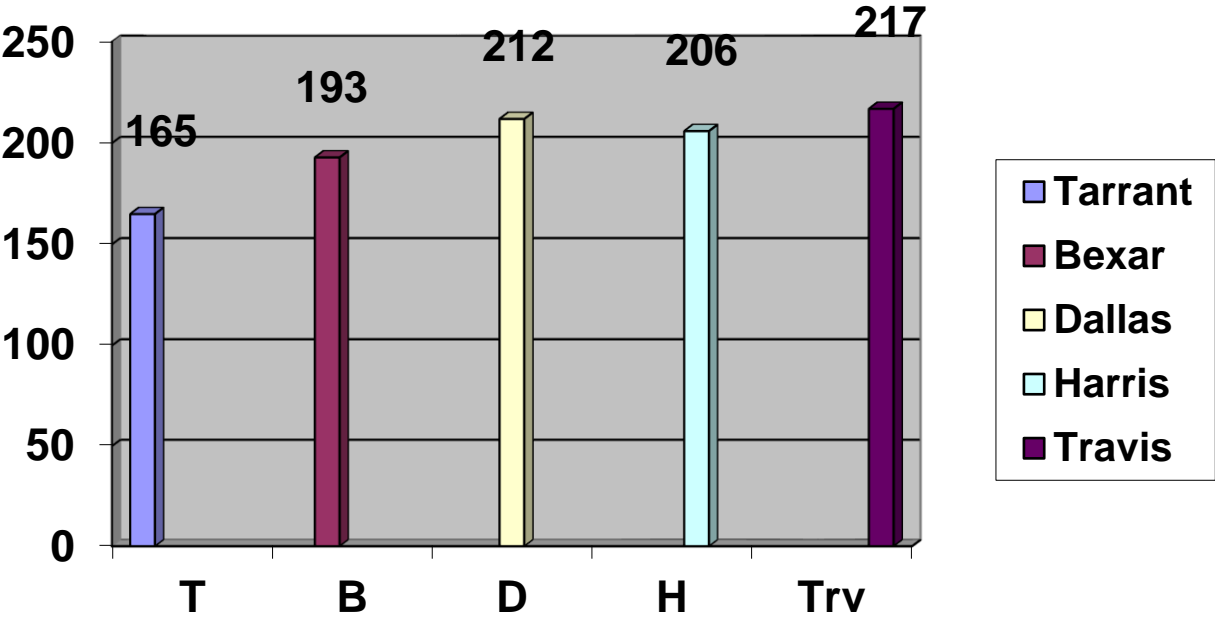


Reported by Tarrant County District Attorney's Office

## Tarrant-Bexar-Dallas-Harris-Travis Counties 2016 UCR Index Crime Rate Per 100,000 Population



Tarrant-Bexar-Dallas-Harris-Travis Counties 2016  
Incarceration Rates (Source: Texas Jail Commission) - per 100,000





**Tarrant County Population and UCR Index Crime and Arrest Rate  
(Per 100, 000 population)**

| <b>Year</b>        | <b>2016</b>      | <b>2015</b>      | <b>2014</b>      | <b>2013</b>      | <b>2012</b>      |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Crime Rate</b>  | <b>3252.7</b>    | <b>3470.9</b>    | <b>3682</b>      | <b>4066.1</b>    | <b>4045.1</b>    |
| <b>Arrest Rate</b> | <b>595</b>       | <b>769</b>       | <b>810</b>       | <b>824</b>       | <b>777</b>       |
| <b>Population</b>  | <b>1,957,085</b> | <b>1,929,893</b> | <b>1,897,632</b> | <b>1,857,426</b> | <b>1,826,293</b> |

**Tarrant County Unemployment Rates<sup>2</sup>**

| <b>Year</b>  | <b>2016</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>2014</b> | <b>2013</b> | <b>2012</b> |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Total</b> | <b>4.0</b>  | <b>3.7</b>  | <b>4.0</b>  | <b>5.8%</b> | <b>6.6%</b> |

**Tarrant County Jail Population (Annual Average)<sup>3</sup>**

| <b>Year</b>  | <b>2016</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>2014</b> | <b>2013</b> | <b>2012</b> |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Total</b> | <b>3386</b> | <b>3379</b> | <b>3595</b> | <b>3374</b> | <b>3295</b> |

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<sup>2</sup> As reported by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics

<sup>3</sup> Source: Tarrant County Sheriff's Department Daily Jail Reports