

Comparison of Trends

Motor Vehicle Theft Estimates – 2003

Motor Vehicle Theft

Definition

The Uniform Crime Reporting [UCR] Program, defines motor vehicle theft as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. This offense includes the stealing of automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, snowmobiles, etc. The taking of a motor vehicle for temporary use by persons having lawful access is excluded from this definition.

Trend

Year	NO. of Offenses	Rate per 100,000 Population
2002	1,246,646	432.9
2003	1,260,471	433.4
Percent change	+ 1.1	+ 0.1

Source: *Crime in the United States – 2003*
Uniform Crime Reports
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice