

**UPDATE on Crime Stats 2010**

***Crime Prevention and Reduction***

***Policy View on Community Counts***



Updated information regarding crime rates is now available on the Crime Prevention and Reduction Policy View on Nova Scotia Community Counts. To view Crime Prevention Profiles and Maps: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/communitycounts/profiles/crime/crime.asp>

The following enhancements should prove useful for stakeholder groups involved in crime prevention:

- The updated information includes: 2010 crime rates from the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, allowing users to compare crime rates for different parts of Nova Scotia. The new data about specific types of crime has been incorporated into crime prevention profiles that put the numbers into context. Tables and maps are also available. The maps of crime rates may prove especially helpful when comparing different parts of the province - by Police District and Justice Centre.
- Breakdown of major crime categories by specific offences for the 2010 crime data:

Violent: Homicide/attempted; Sexual Assault; Assault; Robbery; Forcible Confinement or Kidnapping; Harassment/threats; and Other Violent.

Property: Break and Enter; Possession of Stolen Property; Motor Vehicle Theft; Theft over \$5000; Theft under \$5000; Fraud; Mischief; and Arson.

Other: Weapons Violations; Disturbing the Peace; Administration of Justice Violations; and Other Violations.

Traffic: Impaired Driving; and Other Criminal Code Traffic.

Drugs: Possession – Cannabis; Possession – Cocaine; Possession - Other Drugs; Trafficking – Cannabis; Trafficking – Cocaine; and Trafficking - Other Drugs.

Federal Statutes: Youth Criminal Justice Act; and Other federal statutes.

## How to find the data:

On the Community Counts site ([www.gov.ns.ca/communitycounts](http://www.gov.ns.ca/communitycounts) ), select **Browse Data by Geography** from the sidebar menu. Choose **Justice** as your **Geographic View** and your **Geography Level** as Justice Centres or Police Districts. Then choose the **Social** tab to display **Crime Breakdown by Type of Offence** to access detailed crime data.

A Background Paper that incorporates the new content is available on the main page of the Crime Prevention Policy View.

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We hope this information is helpful and welcome feedback on the use of the crime-related data appearing on the Community Counts website. For further information please contact Community Counts at [communitycounts@gov.ns.ca](mailto:communitycounts@gov.ns.ca).

If you would like the opportunity to become more familiar with the community counts tool, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at [crimepreventionunit@gov.ns.ca](mailto:crimepreventionunit@gov.ns.ca) and we can assist in arranging an information session for your organization or community group.