

# Safety Priority: Indicators

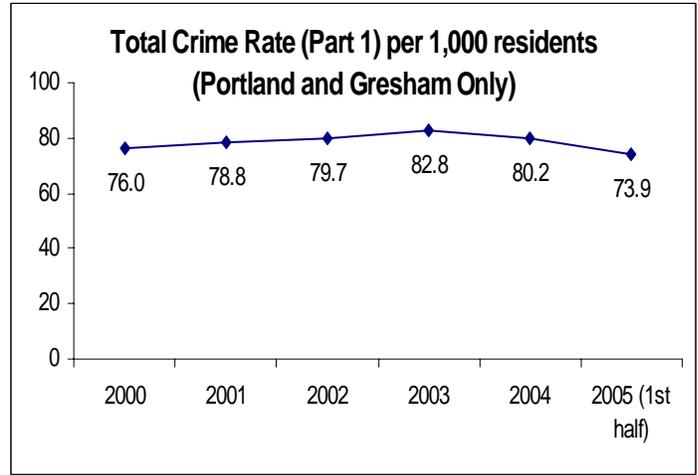
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### 1. Reported Crime Rate per 1,000 Residents (Portland and Gresham Only)

#### Crime Rate

This chart shows the rate of reported Part I crimes per 1,000 residents. Part I crimes are: murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, vehicle theft, and arson. Other crimes, including DUII crimes, are not reported here. The rate decreased between 2003 and 2005 after an increase over the four years prior.

Regular and current crime information is available from the Portland and Gresham police departments, as shown in this chart for 2004 and 2005. Other police agencies in Multnomah County do not participate in this regular reporting. Gresham and Portland combined represent 94% of the County's population.



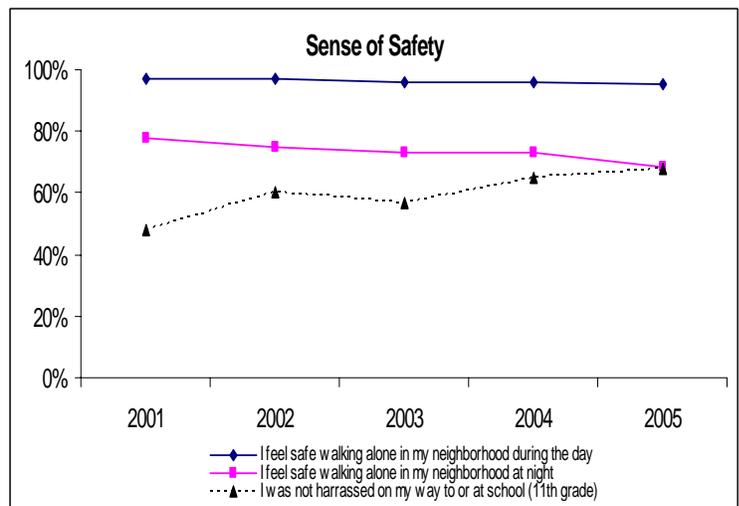
Source: Law Enforcement Data System (years 2000-2003). Portland and Gresham Police Department estimates for 2004 and 2005 as of October 2005.

### 2. Citizen Perception of Safety

#### Countywide Sense of Safety

This chart shows two measures taken from the Auditor's Office's annual citizen survey, which asked residents how safe they feel walking in their neighborhoods at night and during the day. Sense of safety at night has declined 12% over five years, while sense of safety during the day has remained stable.

The third line is from the annual Oregon Healthy Teens Survey, administered in schools. It asks whether students were harassed on their way to school or at school in the last year. Over the past five years, 41% fewer students are reporting harassment.



Sources: County Auditor's Office Citizen Survey, Oregon Department of Human Services Healthy Teens Survey

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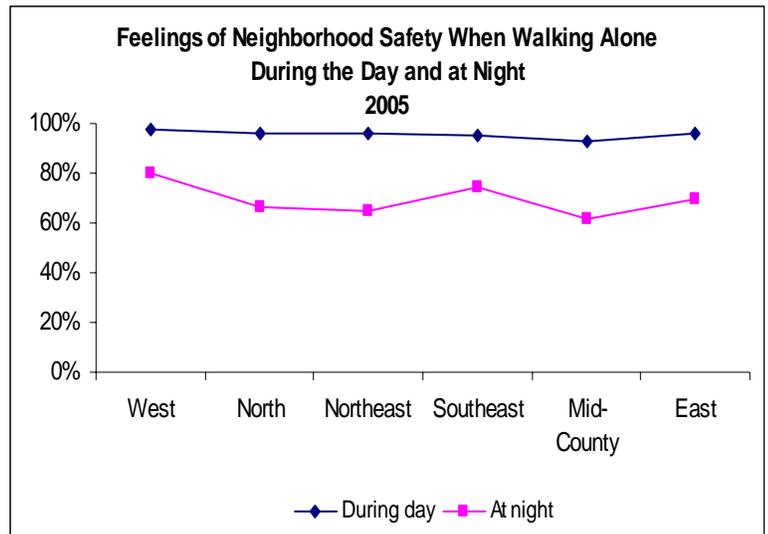
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## *Sense of Safety by Area*

This chart shows residents' sense of safety at night and during the day for 2005, broken down by neighborhood. Mid-County had the lowest sense of safety for both day and night, while West had the highest for both.

These data were collected from the Auditor's Office's annual citizen survey.



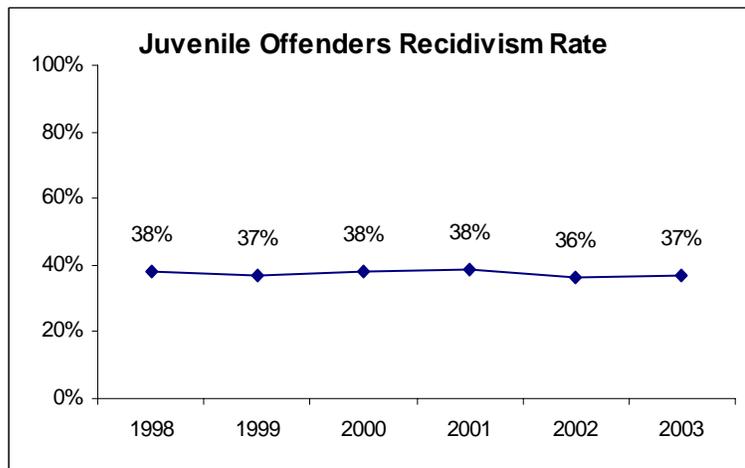
Source: Multnomah County Auditor's Office Citizen Survey

## 3. Adult and Juvenile Criminal Recidivism Rates

### *Juvenile*

This measure shows the percent of juvenile offenders under the jurisdiction of Multnomah County who committed a new criminal offense within 1 year of their initial offense. The delay in data availability is due to this lag between the initial offense and the 1 year reoffense point.

The recidivism rate for juveniles has been between 36% and 38% for the most current 6 year period available.



Source: Multnomah County Department of Community Justice, Research and Evaluation Unit; Oregon Youth Authority

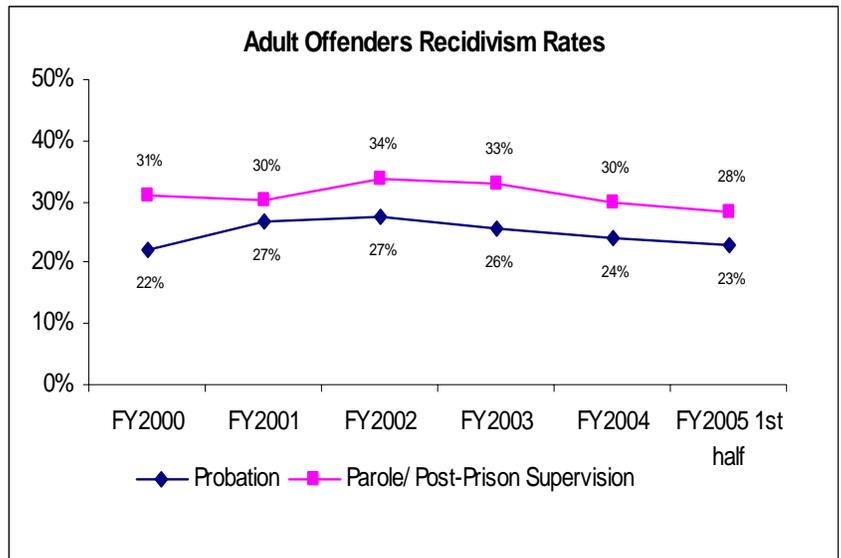
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### Adult

This measure shows the percentage of adult offenders who were convicted of a new felony crime in the three year period after supervision began, broken out by type of release condition. Probationers are those who have been assigned supervision as a sanction for their offenses rather than going to jail. Parole/post-prison supervision refers to those offenders who are released conditionally from jail.



Source: Oregon Department of Corrections

The adult recidivism rate has declined since 2002 for both probation and parole/post-prison supervision, with rates higher for the latter.

### Notes:

The juvenile and adult measures differ in that juvenile rates are reported by the initial offense date (a first offense in 2002 with a second offense in 2003 is reported in 2002). The adult rate follows the cohort through a three year period, then reports at the end of those three years (the FY05 figure is the rate for the group that began supervision in FY02).