

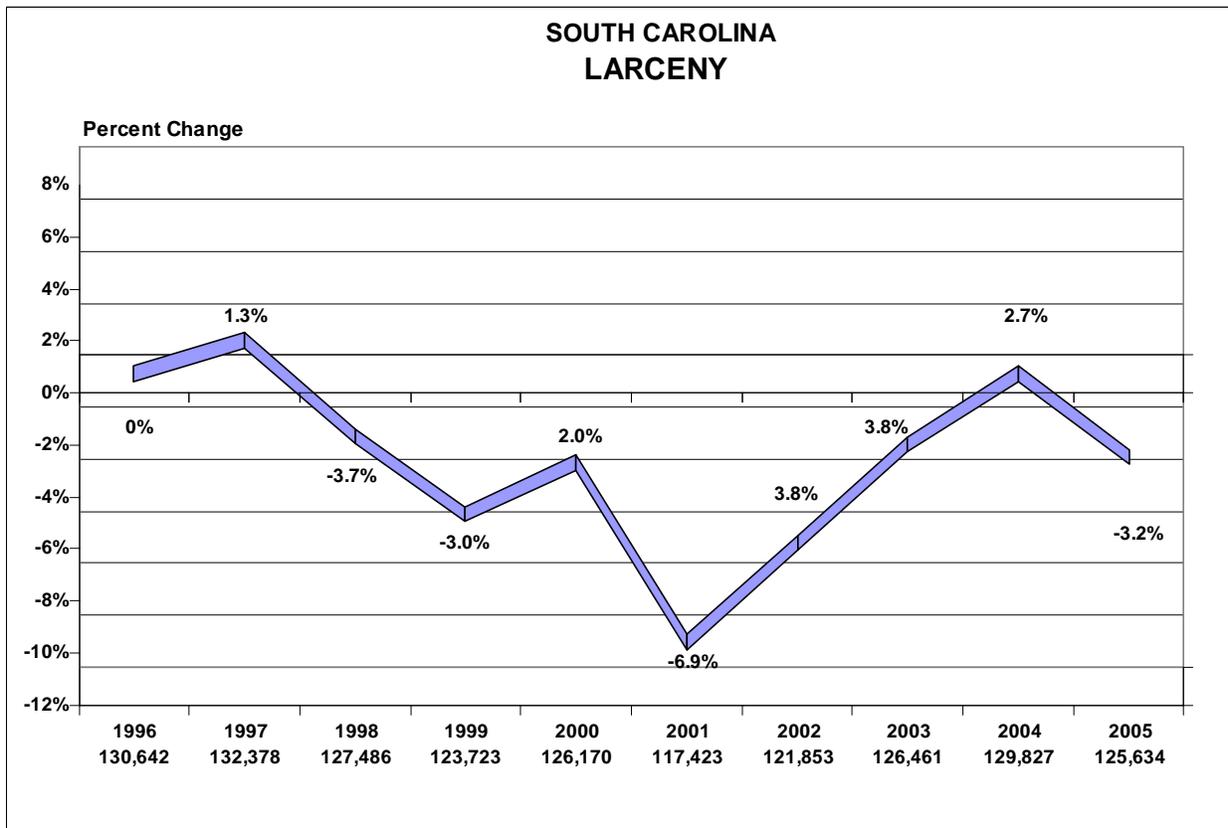
LARCENY

DEFINITION

Larceny, for UCR purposes, is defined as the unlawful taking of the property of another without the use of force or fraud. Larceny does not have the element of unlawful entry. This offense category includes such crimes as shoplifting, purse-snatching, stealing items from vehicles and the like. Larceny does not include thefts by fraud, forgery, embezzlement or similar crimes. Motor vehicle thefts fall under a separate category and are not counted as larcenies. Attempts to commit larceny are included in this category. One offense is counted for each distinct operation, regardless of the number of victims.

ROUNDING

Percentages shown in the tables and charts may not add to 100% due to rounding. Rates per 10,000 population and percent changes also have been rounded.



2005 SUMMARY

A total of 125,634 larceny offenses was reported in the 2005 crime index. During this year, larcenies decreased 3.2 percent compared to those reported in 2004.

There were 23,019 larcenies cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a clearance rate of 18.3 percent statewide.

Larcenies accounted for 68.4 percent of all nonviolent crimes and 58.1 percent of the total crime index.

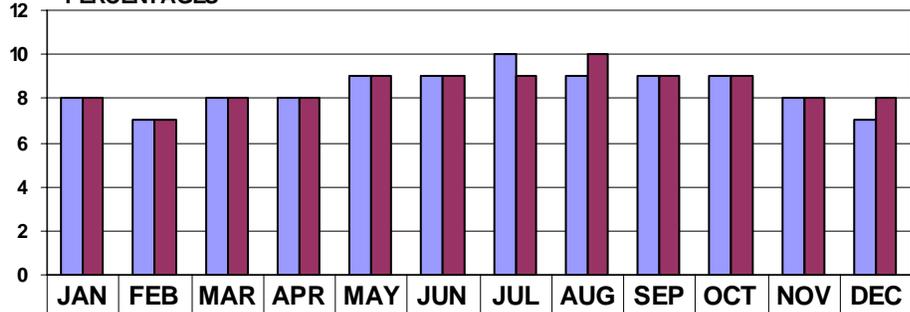
The larceny rate in South Carolina was 295.3 per 10,000 persons.

Persons under the age of 17 accounted for 21.3 percent of those arrested for all categories of larceny. Arrests of males accounted for 65.4 percent of the total.

Shoplifting thefts accounted for 13.7 percent of the larceny category, while thefts from motor vehicles made up 19.1 percent, thefts of motor vehicle parts and accessories 8.3 percent, and thefts from buildings 5.3 percent.

LARCENY INCIDENTS BY MONTH

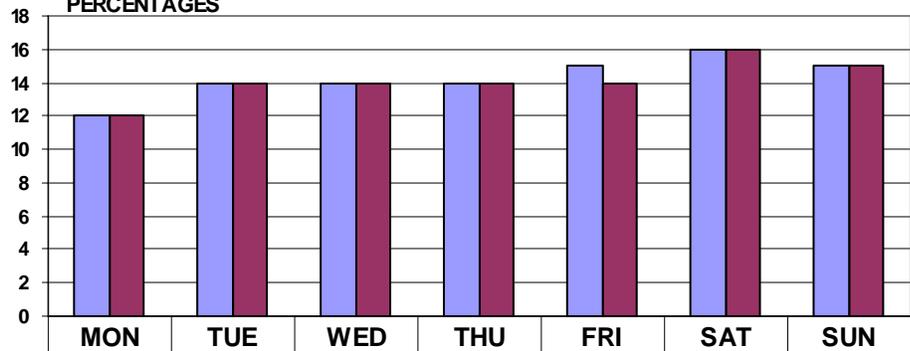
PERCENTAGES



2004	8	7	8	8	9	9	10	9	9	9	8	7
2005	8	7	8	8	9	9	9	10	9	9	8	8

LARCENY INCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

PERCENTAGES

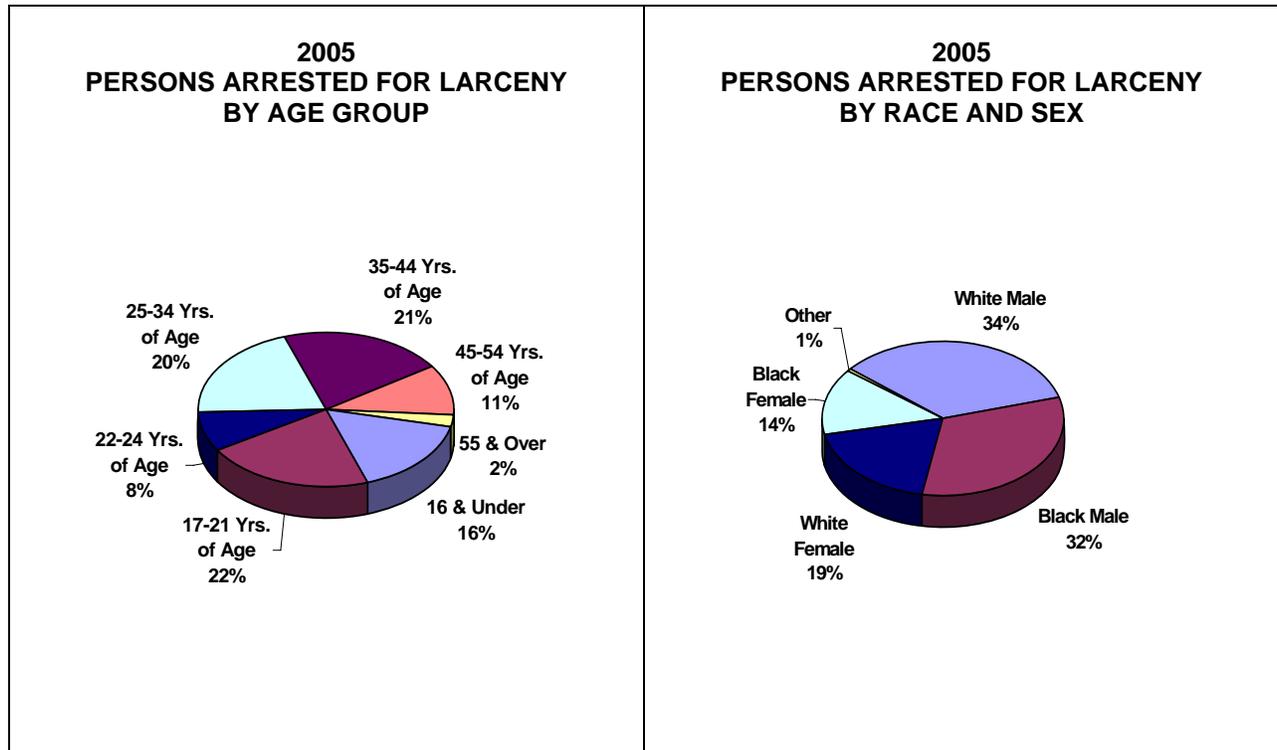


2004	12	14	14	14	15	16	15
2005	12	14	14	14	14	16	15

2005 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR LARCENY BY AGE, SEX, RACE

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
01 – 09	17	6	7	0	0	4	0
10 – 16	3,450	914	1,327	11	640	551	7
17 – 21	4,666	1,797	1,288	16	765	796	4
22 – 24	1,780	735	424	5	332	278	6
25 – 34	4,407	1,766	1,105	17	957	545	17
35 – 44	4,537	1,432	1,669	16	861	552	7
45 – 54	2,283	661	1,004	6	354	252	6
55 – 64	427	128	155	1	97	43	3
65 – 99	99	34	12	1	38	12	2
State Total	21,666	7,473	6,991	73	4,044	3,033	52

NOTE: The arrest counts shown here have not been subjected to the “hierarchy rule” (explained elsewhere); therefore, all persons arrested that are linked to this offense type are counted.

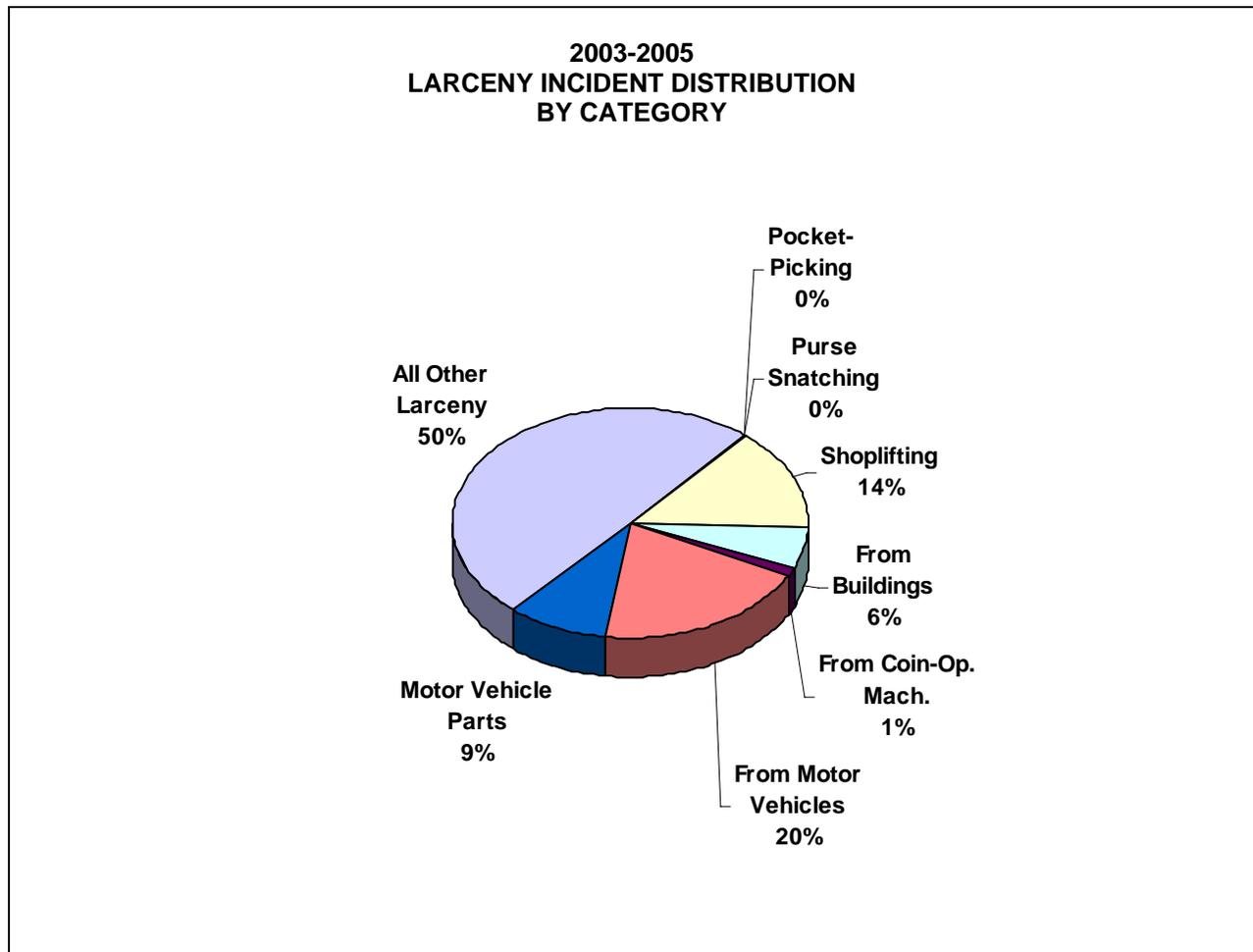


Thirty-five percent of persons arrested for larceny in 2005 were white males, 36 percent of these were 21 years of age or younger; 32 percent were black males, 38 percent of those were 21 years of age or younger. White females accounted for 19 percent of persons arrested for larceny, while black females accounted for 14 percent of persons arrested. Thirty-four percent of the white females and 45 percent of the black females were 21 years of age or younger.

2003-2005 LARCENY INCIDENT DISTRIBUTION BY CATEGORY

Classification	2003 Incidents	% Distr.	2004 Incidents	% Distr.	2005 Incidents	% Distr.
Pocket Picking	181	0.1	186	0.1	178	0.1
Purse Snatching	332	0.3	329	0.2	309	0.2
Shoplifting	18,704	14.4	19,319	14.5	17,786	13.7
From Building	7803	6.0	7,635	5.7	6,933	5.3
From Coin Op. Machines	1408	1.1	1,398	1.0	1,321	1.0
From Motor Vehicles	26,435	20.4	27,013	20.2	24,949	19.1
Motor Vehicle Parts	12,461	9.6	12,074	9.0	10,814	8.3
All Other Larceny	62,251	48.0	65,616	49.1	68,009	52.2
State Total	129,575	100.0	133,570	100.0	130,299	100.0

NOTE: The counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere).



2003-2005 LARCENY INCIDENTS BY PREMISE

Premise	2003 Incidents	% Distr.	2004 Incidents	% Distr.	2005 Incidents	% Distr.
Residences, Apts.	49,275	38.0	51,633	38.7	52,612	40.4
Roads, Parking Lots, etc.	13,785	10.6	14,512	10.9	13,374	10.3
Commercial	30,645	23.6	30,489	22.8	29,959	23.0
Nightclubs, Bars	1,273	1.0	1,226	0.9	1,254	1.0
Hotels, Motels	2,427	1.9	2,296	1.7	2,619	2.0
Service Stations	7,021	5.4	7,049	5.3	5,549	4.3
Convenience Stores	11,228	8.7	11,359	8.5	10,128	7.8
Schools, Churches	5,293	4.1	5,497	4.1	5,477	4.2
Other	8,628	6.7	9,509	7.1	9,327	7.2
State Total	129,575	100.0	133,570	100.0	130,299	100.0

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LARCENY INCIDENTS BY PREMISE**

