

**CENTRAL DISTRICT  
CRIME STATISTICS  
2007**



**A Summary of  
Recorded and Resolved Offence  
Statistics**

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## DISTRICT RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

Area Description	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2005	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2006	Recorded per 10,000 pop 2007	Percent Variance 05-06	Percent Variance 06-07
New Plymouth	860.3	989.5	992.6	15.0 %	0.3 %
Palmerston North City	1,223.9	1,227.7	1,143.3	0.3 %	-6.9 %
Palmerston North Rural	713.2	774.9	842.3	8.7 %	8.7 %
Ruapehu	734.7	698.8	790.5	-4.9 %	13.1 %
Taranaki Rural	735.9	802.0	770.4	9.0 %	-3.9 %
Wanganui	859.6	962.3	930.2	11.9 %	-3.3 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>892.6</b>	<b>957.0</b>	<b>950.7</b>	<b>7.2 %</b>	<b>-0.7 %</b>

## SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RECORDED AND RESOLVED CRIME, BY AREA

Years ending 31 December

TOTAL CRIME											
Area Description	Recorded 2005	Recorded 2006	Recorded 2007	Variance 05-06	Variance 06-07	Resolved 2005	Resolved 2006	Resolved 2007	Percent Resolved 2005	Percent Resolved 2006	Percent Resolved 2007
New Plymouth	6,111	7,095	7,147	16.1 %	0.7 %	3,077	3,574	3,700	50.4 %	50.4 %	51.8 %
Palmerston North City	10,098	10,201	9,535	1.0 %	-6.5 %	3,750	3,870	3,722	37.1 %	37.9 %	39.0 %
Palmerston North Rural	5,961	6,477	7,029	8.7 %	8.5 %	2,511	2,609	3,334	42.1 %	40.3 %	47.4 %
Ruapehu	1,318	1,241	1,381	-5.8 %	11.3 %	720	749	811	54.6 %	60.4 %	58.7 %
Taranaki Rural	2,541	2,750	2,620	8.2 %	-4.7 %	1,301	1,406	1,491	51.2 %	51.1 %	56.9 %
Wanganui	4,702	5,254	5,048	11.7 %	-3.9 %	2,196	2,614	2,580	46.7 %	49.8 %	51.1 %
<b>Total:</b>	<b>30,731</b>	<b>33,018</b>	<b>32,760</b>	<b>7.4 %</b>	<b>-0.8 %</b>	<b>13,555</b>	<b>14,822</b>	<b>15,638</b>	<b>44.1 %</b>	<b>44.9 %</b>	<b>47.7 %</b>

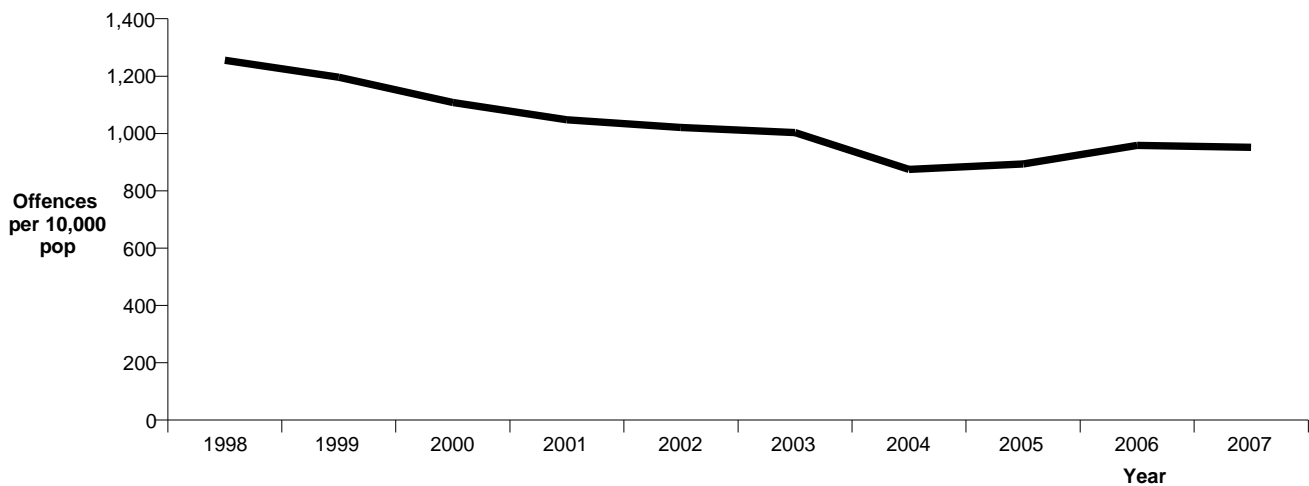
# RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES

Years ending 31 December

## TOTAL CRIME

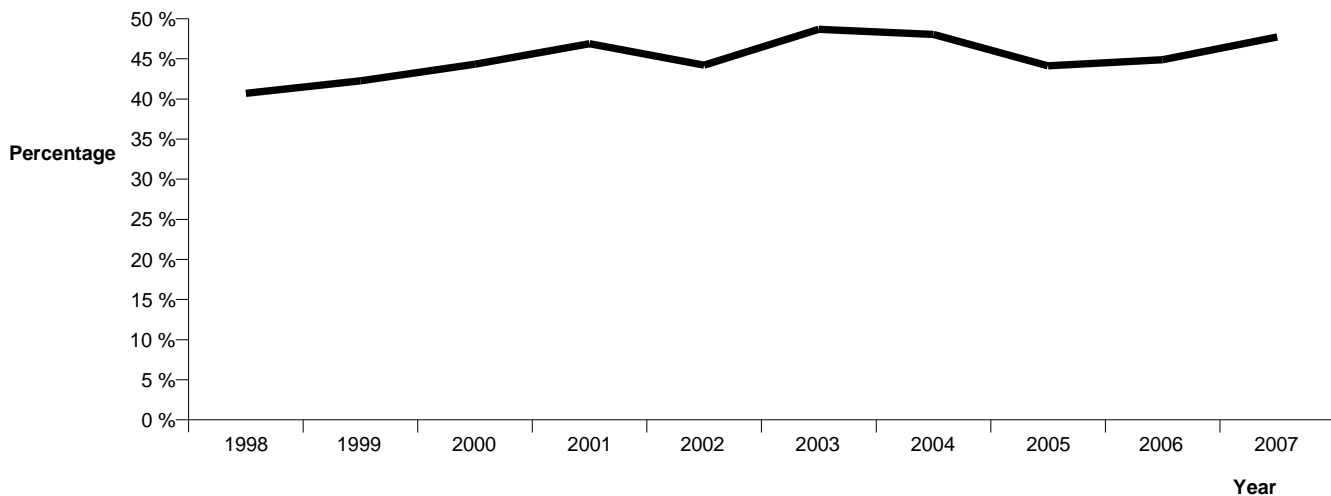
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1998	43,804		1,254.8		17,830	40.7 %	
1999	41,479	-5.3 %	1,195.4	-4.7 %	17,528	42.3 %	1.6 %
2000	38,210	-7.9 %	1,107.2	-7.4 %	16,938	44.3 %	2.1 %
2001	35,812	-6.3 %	1,047.5	-5.4 %	16,782	46.9 %	2.5 %
2002	34,934	-2.5 %	1,020.1	-2.6 %	15,433	44.2 %	-2.7 %
2003	34,452	-1.4 %	1,002.2	-1.8 %	16,758	48.6 %	4.5 %
2004	30,094	-12.6 %	873.6	-12.8 %	14,453	48.0 %	-0.6 %
2005	30,731	2.1 %	892.6	2.2 %	13,555	44.1 %	-3.9 %
2006	33,018	7.4 %	957.0	7.2 %	14,822	44.9 %	0.8 %
2007	32,760	-0.8 %	950.7	-0.7 %	15,638	47.7 %	2.8 %

Recorded Offences per 10,000 population



Resolution Rate

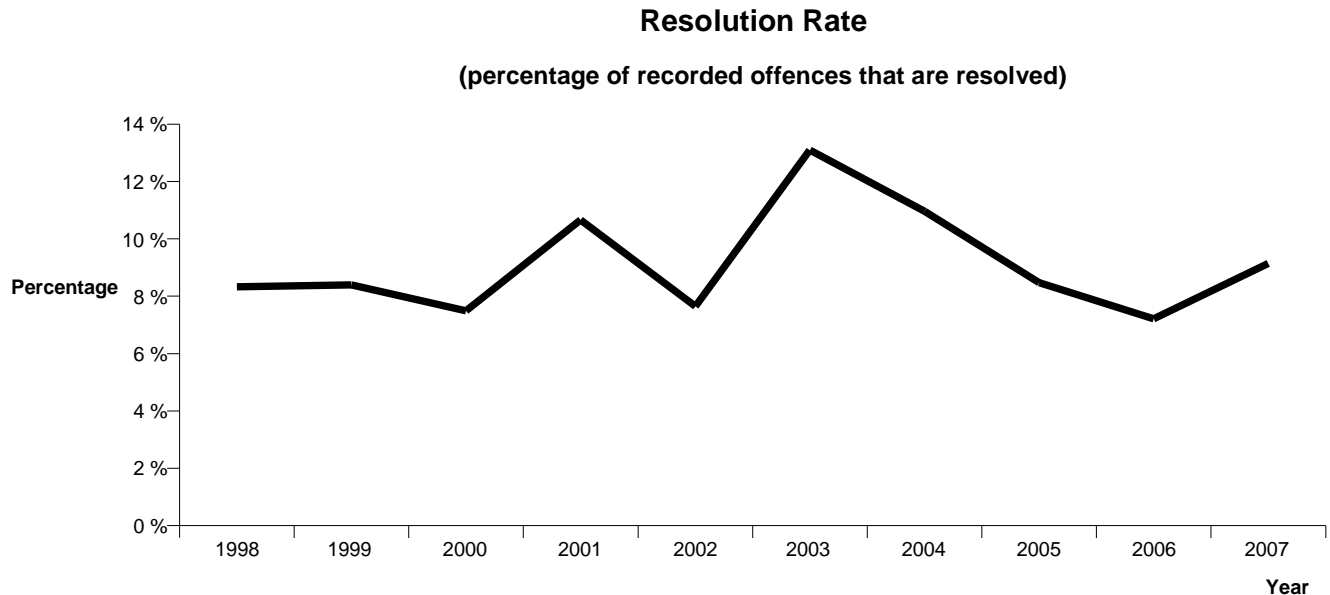
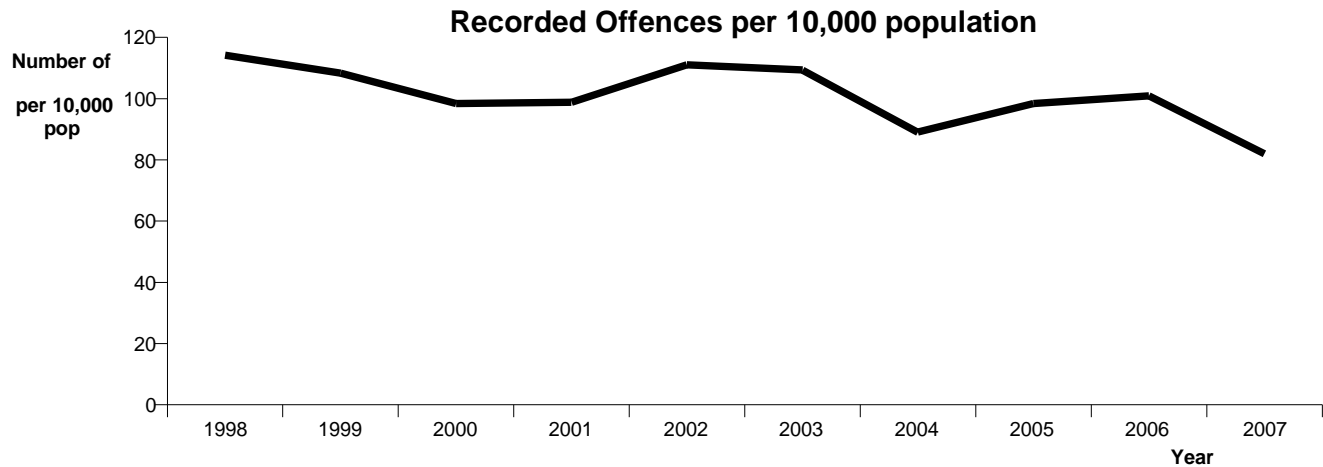
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**RECORDED CRIME PER 10,000 POPULATION AND RESOLUTION RATES  
FOR SELECTED OFFENCES  
Years ending 31 December**

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Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1998	3,986		114.2		332	8.3 %	
1999	3,757	-5.7 %	108.3	-5.2 %	315	8.4 %	0.1 %
2000	3,391	-9.7 %	98.3	-9.2 %	254	7.5 %	-0.9 %
2001	3,375	-0.5 %	98.7	0.5 %	360	10.7 %	3.2 %
2002	3,803	12.7 %	111.1	12.5 %	291	7.7 %	-3.0 %
2003	3,756	-1.2 %	109.3	-1.6 %	492	13.1 %	5.4 %
2004	3,065	-18.4 %	89.0	-18.6 %	336	11.0 %	-2.1 %
2005	3,386	10.5 %	98.3	10.5 %	287	8.5 %	-2.5 %
2006	3,481	2.8 %	100.9	2.6 %	251	7.2 %	-1.3 %
2007	2,823	-18.9 %	81.9	-18.8 %	258	9.1 %	1.9 %

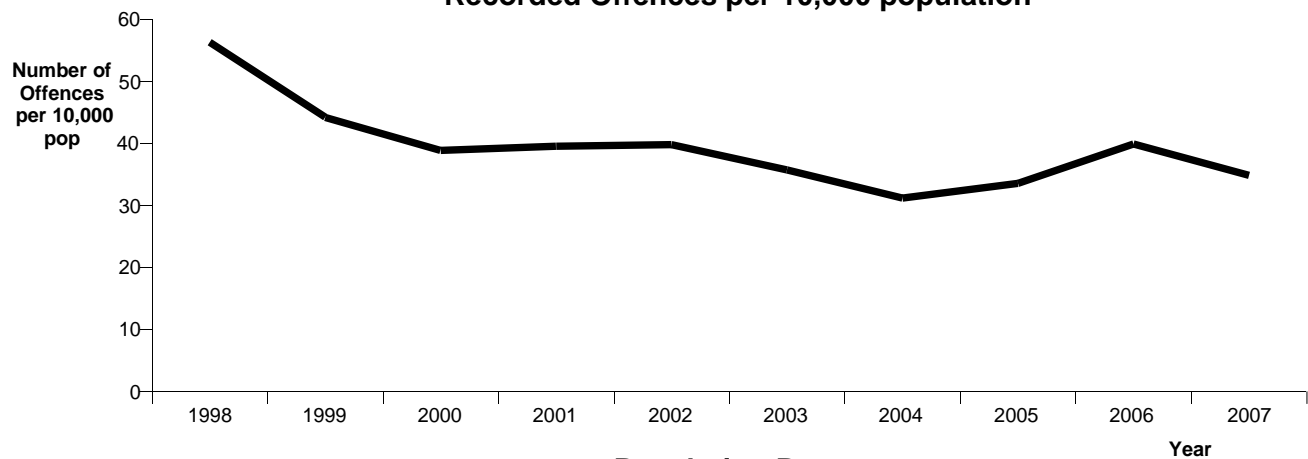


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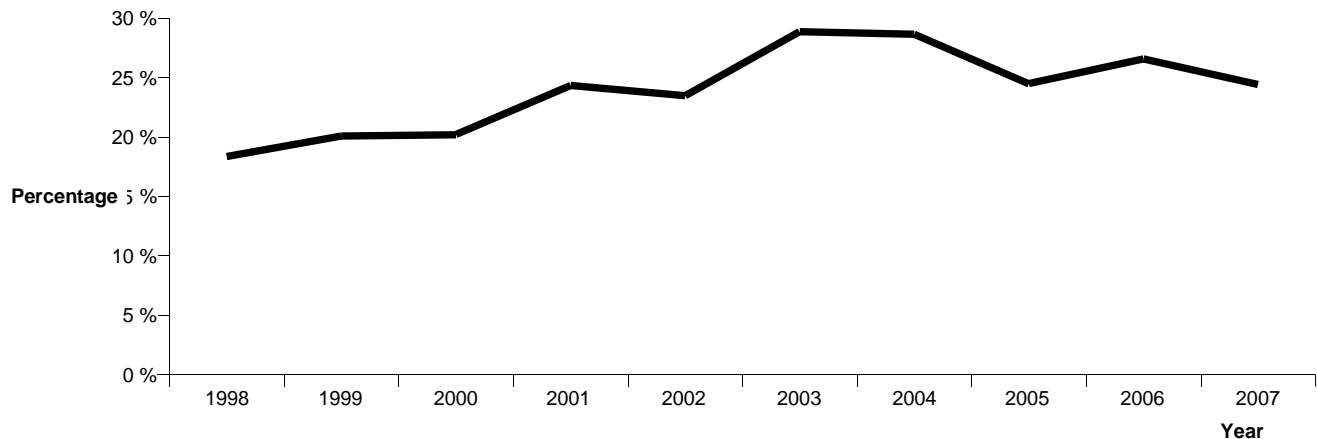
Calendar Year	Recorded Offences	Variation in Recorded Offences	Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Variation In Recorded Offences Per 10,000 Population	Total Resolved Offences	Resolution Rate	Variation In Resolution Rate
1998	1,965		56.3		360	18.3 %	
1999	1,533	-22.0 %	44.2	-21.5 %	307	20.0 %	1.7 %
2000	1,340	-12.6 %	38.8	-12.1 %	270	20.1 %	0.1 %
2001	1,350	0.7 %	39.5	1.7 %	328	24.3 %	4.1 %
2002	1,362	0.9 %	39.8	0.7 %	319	23.4 %	-0.9 %
2003	1,228	-9.8 %	35.7	-10.2 %	354	28.8 %	5.4 %
2004	1,073	-12.6 %	31.1	-12.8 %	307	28.6 %	-0.2 %
2005	1,154	7.5 %	33.5	7.6 %	282	24.4 %	-4.2 %
2006	1,376	19.2 %	39.9	19.0 %	365	26.5 %	2.1 %
2007	1,199	-12.9 %	34.8	-12.8 %	292	24.4 %	-2.2 %

**Recorded Offences per 10,000 population**



**Resolution Rate**

(percentage of recorded offences that are resolved)



## Population Data

Population data is used in this release to calculate crime rates. These data are estimated population figures as at 30 June each year obtained from Statistics New Zealand.

The estimated resident population is based on the census usually resident population count, with adjustments for residents missed or counted more than once by the census (net census undercount), and for residents temporarily overseas on census night.

These population estimates exclude an increasing number of international students who are studying in New Zealand for less than 12 months.

Note that 2002-2007 estimates are based on the 2001 and 2006 Census data. Estimates have been revised since the previous publication of this report.

Year	Population
1998	349,090
1999	346,990
2000	345,090
2001	341,890
2002	342,440
2003	343,780
2004	344,480
2005	344,290
2006	345,020
2007	344,600