Crime Rate Analysis Report

1. Introduction This report presents an analysis of crime trends based on a dataset of reported crimes. The primary objectives are to assess crime distribution, identify patterns, and predict high-crime periods using machine learning.

2. Data Assessment and Cleaning

- The dataset was loaded and explored for missing values.
- Several columns, including 'ID', 'Case Number', and other irrelevant fields, were dropped.
- Missing values were handled by removing incomplete records.
- 'Date' column was changed to a datetime-format, and Hour, Day of Week, Month were extracted.

3. Data Visualization

- Visualizations were used to identify crime trends over time.
- Crime occurrences were analyzed by hour, day of the week, and month to detect peak periods.
- Geographic crime distributions were examined using heatmaps.

4. Predictive Machine Learning Analysis

- A model was developed to predict crime hotspots for narcotics incidents based on temporal features.
- Another approach incorporated more features to improve prediction accuracy.
- A separate analysis was conducted to predict peak crime hours using historical data.

5. Findings and Insights

- Crime rates tend to be higher during specific hours and days.
- Certain locations exhibit consistent crime patterns, making them potential hotspots.
- Machine learning models provide reasonable predictions for high-crime periods, aiding in law enforcement resource allocation.
- **6. Conclusion** The analysis reveals significant crime patterns, which can help authorities in strategic planning. Future work may involve integrating additional data sources for improved accuracy.

7. Recommendations

- Increase law enforcement presence during peak crime hours.
- Implement community awareness programs in high-crime areas.
- Utilize predictive modeling for proactive crime prevention measures.