

## **Overview**

## Table 4

## Crime in the United States, by Region, Geographic Division, and State, 2013–2014

- In 2014, the estimated number of violent crimes in the United States decreased 0.1 percent when compared with 2013 data.
- In comparing the 2-year estimates, violent crimes decreased in three of the four regions, with the largest decline (5.2 percent) occurring in the Northeast, followed by a decline of 2.2 percent in the Midwest, and 0.3 percent in the West. Violent crime increased 2.9 percent in the South.
- The estimated number of murders decreased 5.5 percent in the Northeast, 5.2 percent in the Midwest, and 2.7 percent in the West. However, the estimated number of murders increased 4.4 percent in the South.
- For rape (revised definition), the Northeast had a 10.8 percent increase, the West saw a 3.8 percent increase, and the South had a 3.6 percent increase. The Midwest saw a 3.8 percent decrease in estimated rape (revised definition) offenses.
- The estimated number of robbery offenses in 2014 declined 11.1 percent in the Northeast, 8.8 percent in the Midwest, 5.8 percent in the West, and 1.0 percent in the South.
- Estimated aggravated assault offenses were up 4.5 percent in the South, 1.7 percent in the West, and 1.4 percent in the Midwest. The Northeast, however, saw a 3.6 percent decrease in estimated aggravated assault offenses in 2014.
- For 2014, the estimated number of property crimes nationwide decreased 4.3 percent when compared with the 2013 estimate.

- The estimated number of property crimes declined 7.0 percent in the Northeast, 6.8 percent in the Midwest, 5.2 percent in the West, and 1.8 percent in the South.
- The estimated number of burglaries decreased 13.8 percent in the Midwest, 13.1 percent in the Northeast, 10.7 percent in the West, and 8.2 percent in the South.
- Larceny-thefts declined 5.5 percent in the Northeast, 5.0 percent in the Midwest, 3.5 percent in the West, and 0.2 percent in the South.
- When compared with the 2013 estimates, the estimated number of motor vehicle thefts in 2014 decreased 6.7 percent in the Northeast, 4.1 percent in the West, and 3.9 percent in the Midwest. The South saw an increase of 3.9 percent.