

# Montreal Crime Data Analysis

## Step 1: Install + Import Necessary Libraries

In [ ]:

```
# !pip install pandas
# !pip install numpy
# !pip install matplotlib
# !pip install seaborn
```

In [1]:

```
import os
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
```

## Step 2: Reading + Exploring Data

In [2]:

```
data = pd.read_csv('mtl-crime-data.csv')
```

In [3]:

```
data.head()
```

Out[3]:

	Unnamed: 0	category	date	postal_code	city	neighbourhood	year	count	longitude	latitude
0	0	Motor vehicle theft	2018-09-13	H1Z 1S9	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.626	45.567
1	1	Motor vehicle theft	2018-04-30	H1Z 1S9	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.626	45.567
2	2	Home Invasion	2018-01-10	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569
3	3	Mischief	2018-11-12	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569
4	4	Mischief	2018-08-15	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569

In [4]:

```
data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 136642 entries, 0 to 136641
Data columns (total 10 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   Unnamed: 0            136642 non-null  int64
1   category              136642 non-null  object
2   date                 136642 non-null  object
3   postal_code          136642 non-null  object
4   city                 136642 non-null  object
5   neighbourhood         136642 non-null  object
6   year                 136642 non-null  int64
7   count                136642 non-null  int64
8   longitude             136642 non-null  float64
9   latitude              136642 non-null  float64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(3), object(5)
memory usage: 10.4+ MB
```

### Step 3: Cleaning + Preprocessing

In [5]:

```
data.columns
```

Out[5]:

```
Index(['Unnamed: 0', 'category', 'date', 'postal_code', 'city',  
      'neighbourhood', 'year', 'count', 'longitude', 'latitude'],  
      dtype='object')
```

#### Step 3.1: Removing unwanted columns

We will drop the "Unnamed" column as it is just used for indexing purposes, and doesn't include any values.

In [6]:

```
data = data.drop('Unnamed: 0', axis=1)
```

In [7]:

```
data.columns
```

Out[7]:

```
Index(['category', 'date', 'postal_code', 'city', 'neighbourhood', 'year',  
      'count', 'longitude', 'latitude'],  
      dtype='object')
```

In [8]:

```
data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>  
RangeIndex: 136642 entries, 0 to 136641  
Data columns (total 9 columns):  
 #   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype    
---  -  
 0   category              136642 non-null object  
 1   date                  136642 non-null object  
 2   postal_code           136642 non-null object  
 3   city                  136642 non-null object  
 4   neighbourhood         136642 non-null object  
 5   year                  136642 non-null int64  
 6   count                 136642 non-null int64  
 7   longitude              136642 non-null float64  
 8   latitude              136642 non-null float64  
dtypes: float64(2), int64(2), object(5)  
memory usage: 9.4+ MB
```

#### Step 3.2: Converting datatypes to required format

"Date" column is currently in string format, and we need it to be in datetime format in order to perform analysis.

In [9]:

```
data['date'] = pd.to_datetime(data['date'])
```

In [10]:

```
pd.DataFrame(data.dtypes, columns=['Datatype']).rename_axis('Columns')
```

Out[10]:

Datatype

Columns	Datatype
category	object
date	datetime64[ns]
postal_code	object
city	object
neighbourhood	object
year	int64
count	int64
longitude	float64
latitude	float64

### Step 3.3: Checking for null values

```
In [11]:
pd.DataFrame(data.isnull().sum(), columns=['Missing Values']).rename_axis('Feature')

Out[11]:
```

Missing Values	
Feature	
category	0
date	0
postal_code	0
city	0
neighbourhood	0
year	0
count	0
longitude	0
latitude	0

Dataset doesn't include null values.

## Step 4: Data Analysis + Visualization

Question 1: Which neighbourhoods have the highest number of reported crimes?

```
In [12]:
top_neighbourhood = pd.DataFrame(data['neighbourhood'].value_counts()).rename({"neighbourhood": "Case Reported"}, axis = 1).rename_axis("Neighbourhood").head(10)

top_neighbourhood.style.bar()

Out[12]:
```

Neighbourhood	count
Plateau Mont-Royal	10844
Centre-Sud	7849
Downtown Montreal	7565
Montréal	7000

Mercier	7302
Montréal-Nord	6913
Rosemont	5907
Ahuntsic	5575
Petite-Patrie	5327
Saint-Laurent	5094
Saint-Léonard	4822

In [15]:

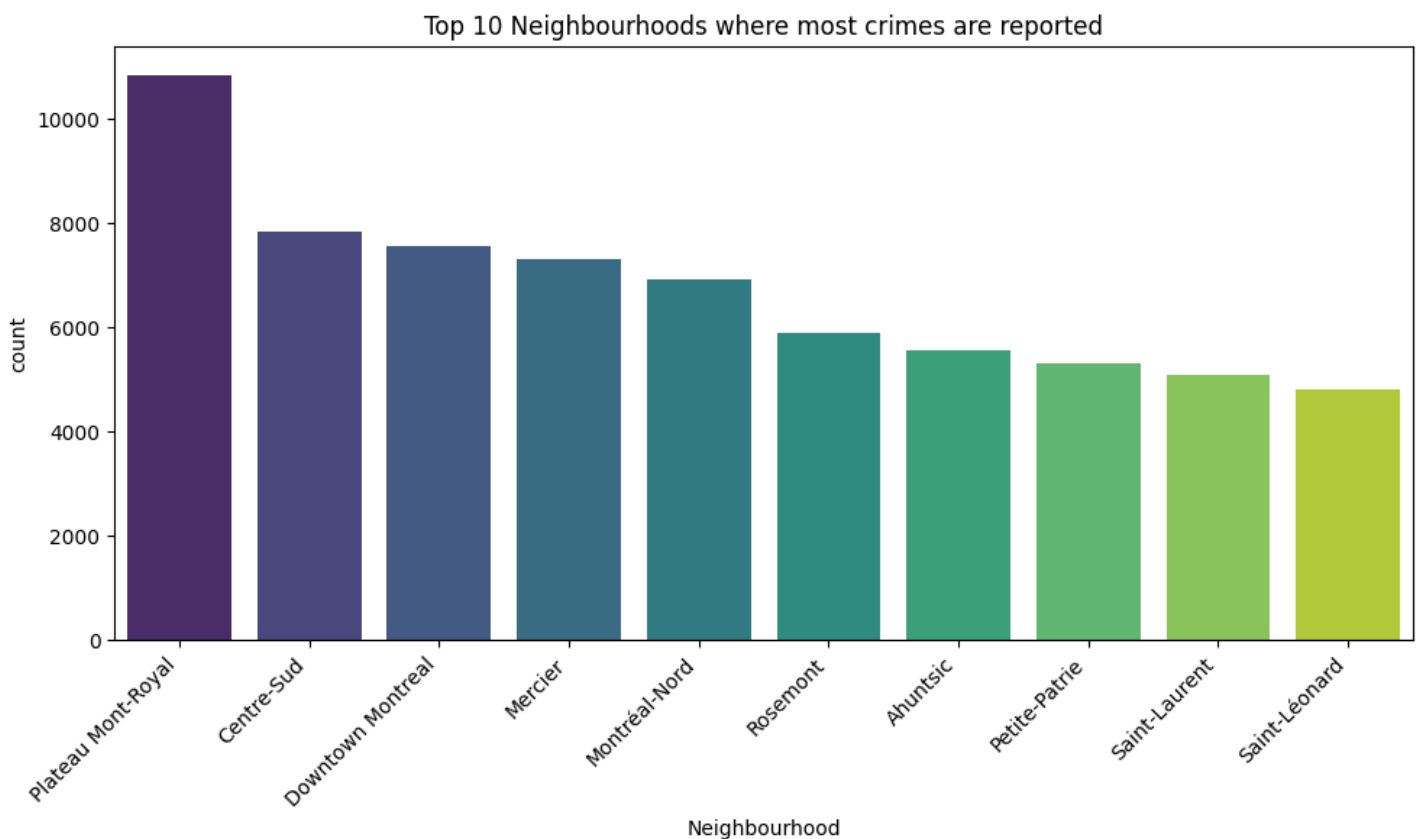
```
top_neighbourhood = top_neighbourhood.sort_values(by='count', ascending=False).head(10)

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(data=top_neighbourhood, x=top_neighbourhood.index, y='count', palette='viridis')

plt.xlabel('Neighbourhood')
plt.ylabel('count')
plt.title('Top 10 Neighbourhoods where most crimes are reported')

# Rotating x-axis labels for better visibility
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')

# Display the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



Analysis shows that the neighbourhoods with the highest number of reported crimes in Montreal between 2015 - 2021 are:

1. Plateau Mont-Royal (total of 10844 reported crimes)
2. Centre-Sud (total of 7849 reported crimes)
3. Downtown Montreal (total of 7565 reported crimes)
4. Mercier (total of 7302 reported crimes)
5. Montréal-Nord (total of 6913 reported crimes)
6. Rosemont (total of 5907 reported crimes)
7. Ahuntsic (total of 5575 reported crimes)
8. Petite-Patrie (total of 5327 reported crimes)

9. Saint-Laurent (total of 5094 reported crimes)
10. Saint-Léonard (total of 4822 reported crimes)

## Question 2: What are the most frequent crimes by neighbourhood?

In [16]:

```
# Calculate the top 10 neighbourhoods with highest crime rate
top_neighbourhoods = data['neighbourhood'].value_counts().head(10).index

# Filter the data to include only the top 10 neighbourhoods
data_top_neighbourhoods = data[data['neighbourhood'].isin(top_neighbourhoods)]

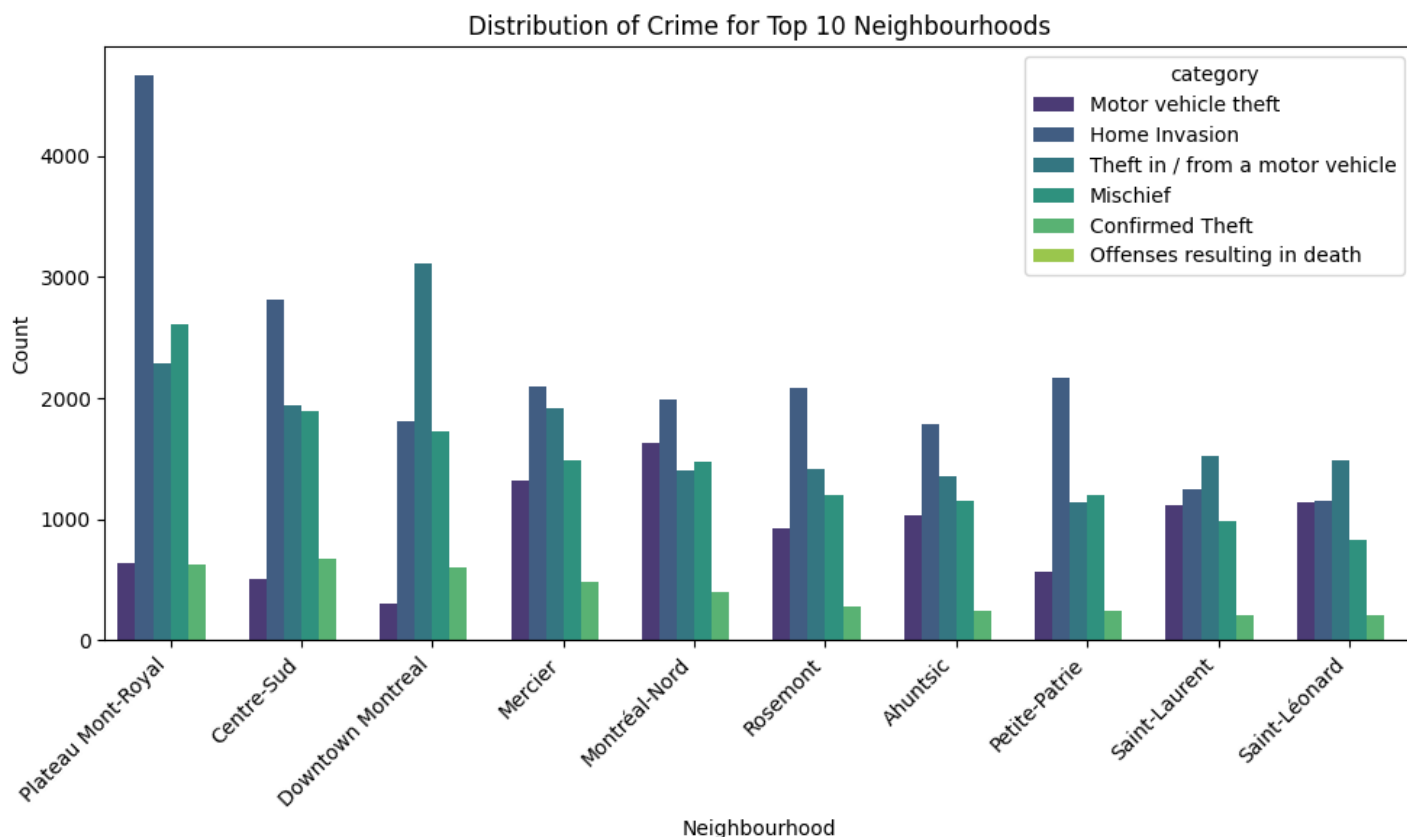
# Get the order of neighborhoods by crime count in descending order
neighbourhood_order = data_top_neighbourhoods.groupby('neighbourhood')['category'].count().sort_values(ascending=False).index

# Create a count plot using Seaborn
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.countplot(data=data_top_neighbourhoods, x='neighbourhood', hue='category', palette='viridis', order=neighbourhood_order)

# Adding labels and title
plt.xlabel('Neighbourhood')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Distribution of Crime for Top 10 Neighbourhoods')

# Slightly rotate the x-axis labels for readability
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')

# Display the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



**Home Invasions** are the most reported type of crime in all neighbourhoods, except in **Downtown, Saint-Laurent, and Saint Léonard**; where **Theft In/From a Vehicle** has a higher rate.

## Question 3: Number of reported crimes committed annually in Montreal

In [17]:

```
pd.DataFrame(data['year'].value_counts()).rename({"year": "Case Reported"}, axis = 1).rename_axis("Year")
```

Out[17]:

	count
Year	
2015	24222
2016	23407
2017	22611
2018	19419
2019	18650
2020	17786
2021	10547

By default, the `value_counts()` method sorts values in descending order, so we can see that **2015 had the highest number of reported crimes (24,222 counts), while 2021 had the lowest number of reported crimes (10547).**

#### Question 4: What are the general trends in the reported crimes between 2015-2021

- What are the trends in the categories of reported crimes?
- Did crime rates increase or decrease?

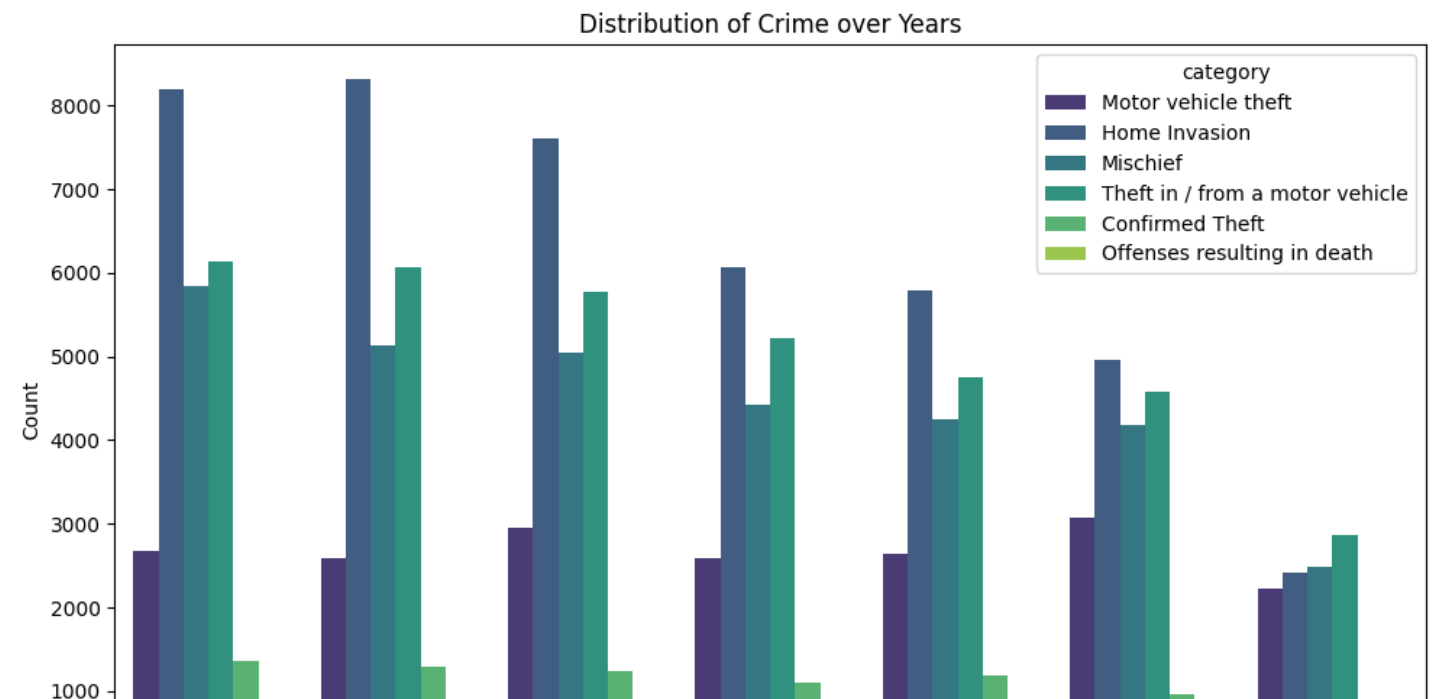
##### 1. What are the trends in the categories of reported crimes?

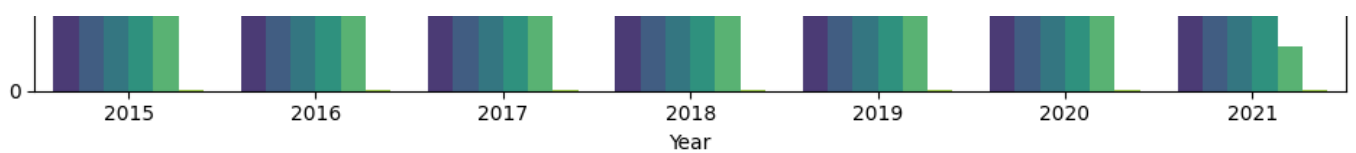
In [18]:

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.countplot(data=data, x='year', hue='category', palette='viridis')

# Adding labels and title
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Distribution of Crime over Years')

# Display the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```





**Home Invasions** are the most reported crime from 2015-2020. In 2021 **Confirmed Theft** was the most reported crime.

**Theft In/From a Motor Vehicle** is the second most reported crime in Montreal from 2015-2021, followed by **Mischief**.

## 2. Did crime rates increase or decrease?

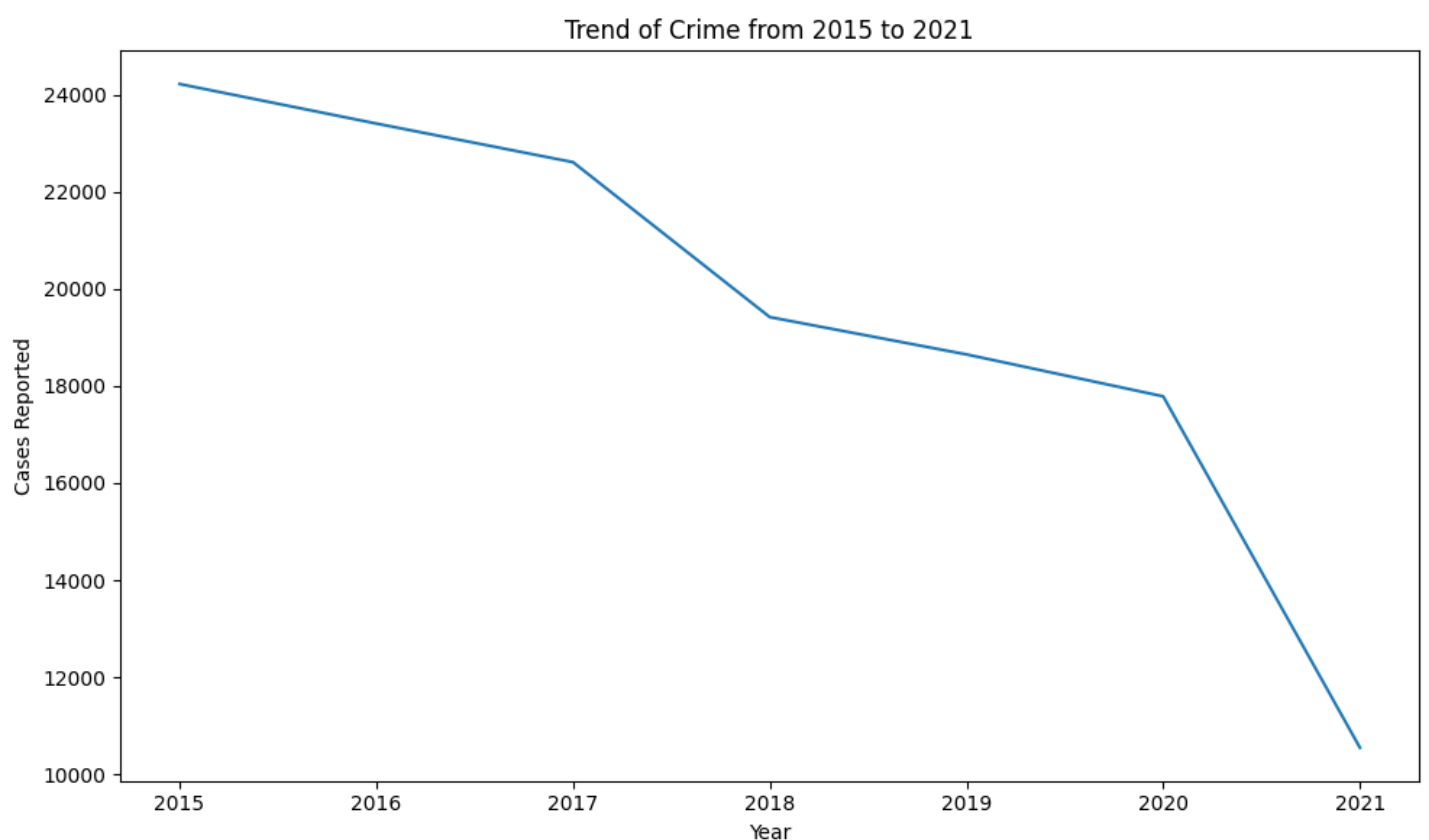
In [19]:

```
# Calculate the year-wise trend of crime rates
year_wise_trend = data.groupby('year').sum(numeric_only=True).drop(['longitude', 'latitude'], axis=1).rename({'count': 'Case Reported'}, axis=1)

# Create a line plot using Seaborn
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.lineplot(data=year_wise_trend, x=year_wise_trend.index, y='Case Reported')

# Adding labels and title
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Cases Reported')
plt.title('Trend of Crime from 2015 to 2021')

# Display the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



We can see that crime reports decreased from 2015-2021.

**Question 5: On what days and months are a higher number of crimes reported?**

**Let's explore the types of crime committed depending on the day of the week.**

```
In [20]:
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```
data['Month'] = data['date'].apply(lambda time: time.month)
data['Day of Week'] = data['date'].apply(lambda time: time.dayofweek)
```

```
In [21]:
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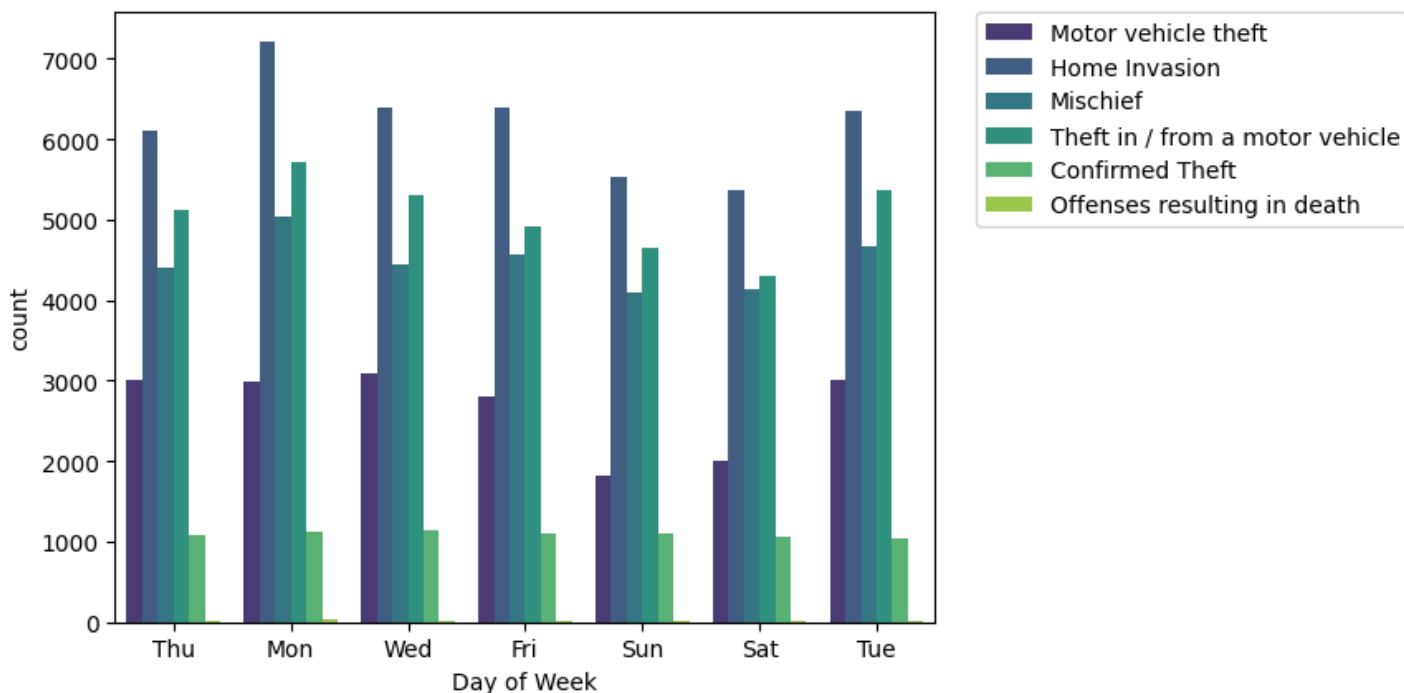
```
dmap = {0:'Mon',1:'Tue',2:'Wed',3:'Thu',4:'Fri',5:'Sat',6:'Sun'}
data['Day of Week'] = data['Day of Week'].map(dmap)
```

```
In [22]:
```

```
sns.countplot(x='Day of Week',data=data,hue='category',palette='viridis')
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc=2, borderaxespad=0.)
```

```
Out[22]:
```

```
<matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x20291df9250>
```



We can see that **Monday** has the highest rate of *Home Invasions*.

**Saturday** and **Sunday** have the lowest number of *Motor Vehicle Thefts*.

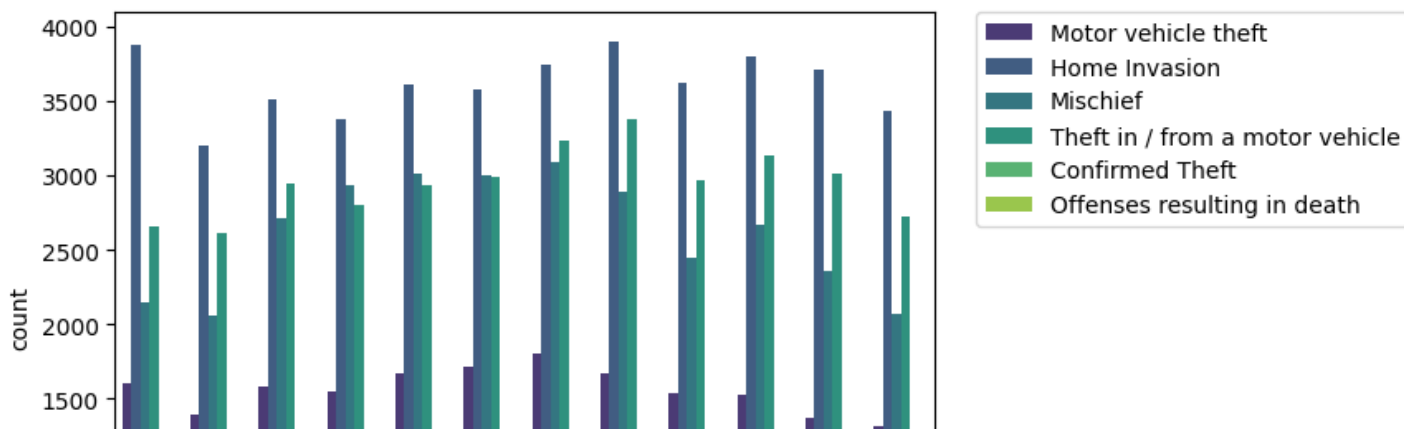
Let's explore the types of crime committed depending on the month of the year.

```
In [23]:
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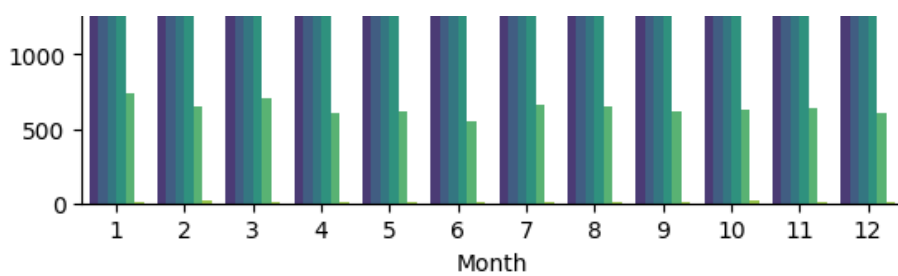
```
sns.countplot(x='Month', data=data, hue='category', palette='viridis')
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc=2, borderaxespad=0.)
```

```
Out[23]:
```

```
<matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x202a3931d90>
```







**January and August** have the highest numbers of *Home Invasions*.

**July and August** have the highest numbers of *Confirmed Thefts*.

**Let's explore the overall correlation between the time of year and the reported number of crimes between 2015-2021.**

**Which days/months have the highest number of total reported crimes?**

In [24]:

```
data.head()
```

Out[24]:

	category	date	postal_code	city	neighbourhood	year	count	longitude	latitude	Month	Day of Week
0	Motor vehicle theft	2018-09-13	H1Z 1S9	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.626	45.567	9	Thu
1	Motor vehicle theft	2018-04-30	H1Z 1S9	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.626	45.567	4	Mon
2	Home Invasion	2018-01-10	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569	1	Wed
3	Mischief	2018-11-12	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569	11	Mon
4	Mischief	2018-08-15	H1Z 2V6	MONTREAL	Saint-Michel	2018	1	-73.629	45.569	8	Wed

In [25]:

```
#correlation between days/months

dayMonth = data.groupby(by=['Day of Week', 'Month']).count()['category'].unstack()
dayMonth.head()
```

Out[25]:

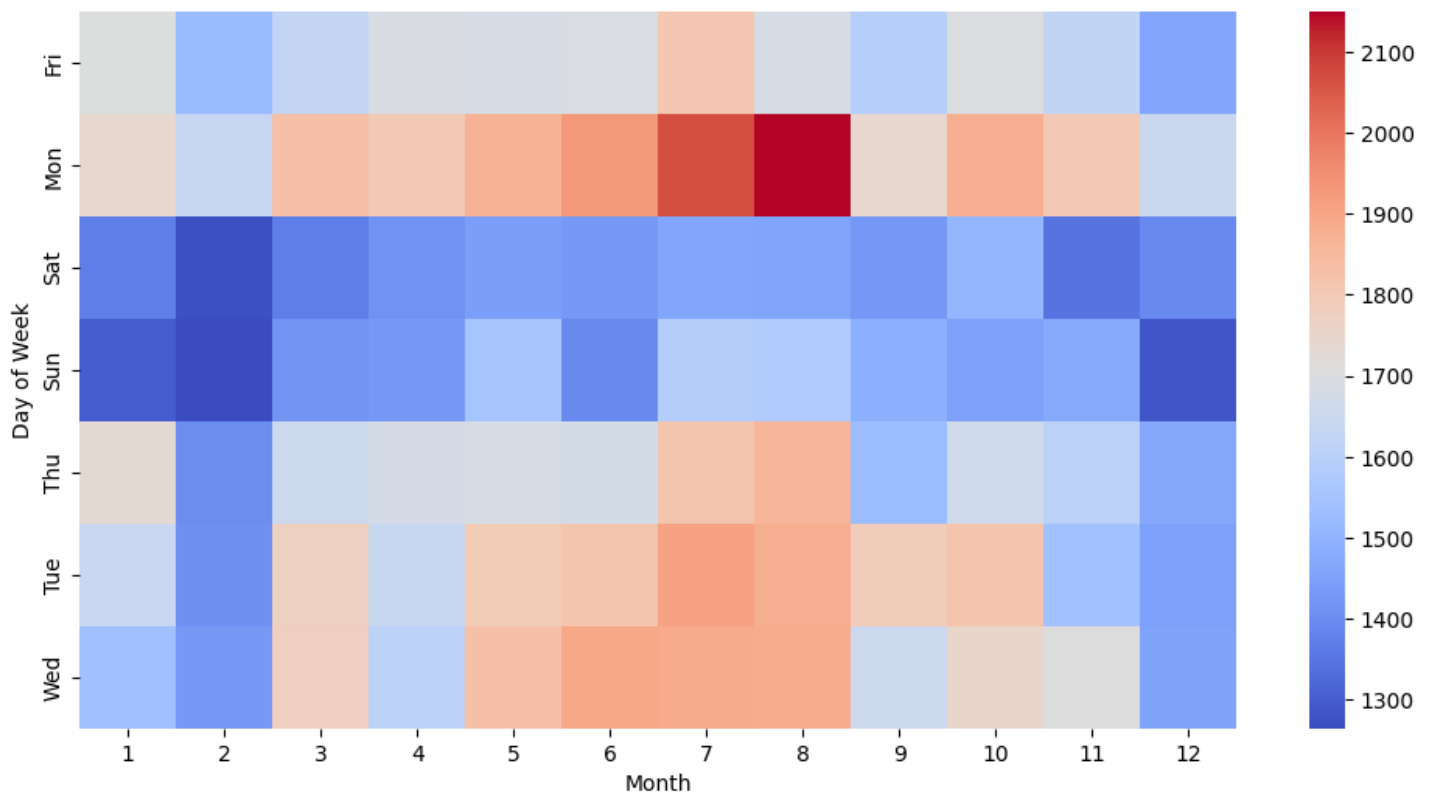
Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Day of Week												
Fri	1706	1519	1630	1692	1685	1694	1809	1685	1590	1698	1624	1460
Mon	1742	1636	1830	1803	1872	1931	2068	2150	1743	1879	1802	1647
Sat	1372	1275	1371	1417	1443	1428	1459	1456	1425	1506	1345	1394
Sun	1299	1265	1420	1428	1550	1394	1587	1578	1487	1450	1470	1285
Thu	1734	1403	1652	1679	1685	1674	1818	1861	1521	1666	1607	1466

In [26]:

```
plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.heatmap(dayMonth, cmap='coolwarm')
```

Out[26]:

<Axes: xlabel='Month', ylabel='Day of Week'>



Overall, **Monday** has the *highest* number of reported crimes in the period between 2015-2021, followed by **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

We can also see that **June, July** and **August** have *higher* numbers of reported crimes.

### 2015 - 2021 Crime Data Analysis Final Results

- **Neighborhood Insights:**
  - Plateau
  - Centre-Sud
  - Downtown
- **Crime Trends:**
  - Mondays have the highest number of reported crimes, followed by Tuesday and Wednesday.
  - August is the month with the most number of reported crimes, followed by July and June.
  - Home invasions are the most reported crime, followed by theft in/from a motor vehicle and mischief.
- **Yearly Statistics:**
  - 2015 had the highest crime rate (24,222 cases), and 2021 the lowest (10,547 cases).
  - Overall, crime reports decreased every year from 2015 to 2021.