



Overview

Table 2

Crime in the United States, by Community Type, 2008

- In 2008, the violent crime rate per 100,000 inhabitants in the United States was 454.5.
- The violent crime rate in Metropolitan Statistical Areas was 489.0 per 100,000 inhabitants. The violent crime rate in cities outside metropolitan areas was 392.0 per 100,000 inhabitants, and in nonmetropolitan counties, 205.1 per 100,000 in population.
- In 2008, the murder rate in the United States was 5.4 per 100,000 inhabitants.
- The murder rate in Metropolitan Statistical Areas was 5.7 per 100,000 inhabitants. The murder rates in cities outside metropolitan areas and in nonmetropolitan counties were 3.5 per 100,000 inhabitants and 3.4 per 100,000 in population, respectively.
- In the United States, the property crime rate per 100,000 inhabitants in 2008 was 3,212.5.
- The property crime rate in Metropolitan Statistical Areas was 3,352.0 per 100,000 inhabitants. The property crime rate in cities outside metropolitan areas was 3,746.5 per 100,000 inhabitants and in nonmetropolitan counties, 1,681.1 per 100,000 in population.