

NEW SOUTH WALES RECORDED CRIME STATISTICS

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SECTION 1:

**OVERVIEW OF TRENDS
IN VIOLENT AND PROPERTY CRIME**

**TABLE 1.1: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS, VIOLENT AND PROPERTY OFFENCES
OVER THE 60 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW STATISTICAL DIVISIONS (SDs) AND NSW**

Statistical Division	Violent Offences*			Property Offences**		
	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate
Sydney	Stable	Stable	0.9	-4.8%	-5.3%	1.0
Hunter	Stable	Stable	1.0	Stable	-2.7%	1.2
Illawarra	Stable	Stable	0.9	Stable	-4.8%	0.9
Richmond-Tweed	Stable	-4.8%	1.0	Stable	-4.3%	1.0
Mid-North Coast	Stable	Stable	1.1	Stable	Stable	1.1
Northern	1.2%	Stable	1.5	6.0%	Stable	1.2
North Western	4.7%	Stable	2.2	Stable	Stable	1.4
Central West	Stable	0.6%	1.3	2.3%	Stable	1.1
South Eastern	Stable	Stable	0.9	Stable	-3.8%	0.8
Murrumbidgee	Stable	Stable	1.2	Stable	Stable	1.1
Murray	Stable	-6.0%	1.0	Stable	Stable	1.1
Far West	Stable	Stable	2.2	Stable	Stable	1.3
NSW	Stable	Stable	1.0	Stable	-4.2%	1.0

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* **Violent offences** include: murder, assault - domestic violence related, assault - non-domestic violence related, assault police, robbery without a weapon, robbery with a firearm, robbery with a weapon not a firearm, sexual assault and indecent assault / act of indecency / other sexual offences.

** **Property offences** include: break and enter dwelling, break and enter non-dwelling, motor vehicle theft, steal from motor vehicle, steal from retail store, steal from dwelling, steal from person, stock theft, other theft and fraud.

For further explanation of **violent offences** and **property offences**, see page 27, Note [7].

For further explanation of **rate calculation populations** and the **ratio to NSW rate**, see page 27, Footnote 3 and Note [8].

**TABLE 1.2: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS, VIOLENT AND PROPERTY OFFENCES
OVER THE 60 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS (SSDs)**

Metropolitan Statistical Subdivision	Violent Offences*			Property Offences**		
	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate
Inner Sydney	Stable	-3.4%	1.9	-10.0%	-7.8%	2.3
Eastern Suburbs	Stable	-4.2%	0.8	Stable	-7.0%	1.0
St George-Sutherland	Stable	Stable	0.6	Stable	-5.1%	0.6
Canterbury-Bankstown	4.3%	Stable	0.8	Stable	-5.2%	0.9
Fairfield-Liverpool	Stable	1.7%	0.9	Stable	-4.1%	0.9
Outer South Western Sydney	Stable	Stable	1.2	Stable	-3.6%	0.9
Inner Western Sydney	Stable	2.1%	0.7	Stable	-3.3%	1.0
Central Western Sydney	Stable	Stable	1.0	-5.0%	-5.3%	1.1
Outer Western Sydney	Stable	2.2%	1.1	Stable	-4.1%	0.9
Blacktown	Stable	Stable	1.3	-9.4%	-3.8%	1.1
Lower Northern Sydney	Stable	-2.9%	0.4	Stable	-7.3%	0.7
Central Northern Sydney	Stable	Stable	0.3	-10.5%	-6.2%	0.5
Northern Beaches	Stable	4.3%	0.6	Stable	-4.5%	0.7
Central Coast	Stable	Stable	1.0	Stable	Stable	1.0
Newcastle	Stable	Stable	1.1	Stable	-2.8%	1.2
Wollongong	Stable	-4.6%	0.9	Stable	-7.0%	0.9

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

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** **Property offences** include: break and enter dwelling, break and enter non-dwelling, motor vehicle theft, steal from motor vehicle, steal from retail store, steal from dwelling, steal from person, stock theft, other theft and fraud.

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[#] For further explanation of **rate calculation populations** and the **ratio to NSW rate**, see page 27, Footnote 3 and Note [8].

**TABLE 1.3: TRENDS^A IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS, VIOLENT AND PROPERTY OFFENCES
OVER THE 60 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS (LGAs)**

NSW LGAs	Violent Offences*			Property Offences*		
	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate
Albury	ns	-5.4	1.3	-8.5	-2.8	1.5
Armidale Dumaresq	19.4	ns	1.4	ns	ns	1.1
Ashfield	20.3	ns	0.7	ns	-4.5	0.8
Auburn	ns	ns	1.0	-14.6	-4.3	1.0
Ballina	ns	-6.7	0.9	-24.1	-7.3	0.8
Bairnald	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.
Bankstown	5.8	ns	0.9	ns	-6.8	1.0
Bathurst Regional	ns	ns	1.4	8.9	ns	1.1
Bega Valley	ns	ns	0.7	ns	-7.4	0.7
Bellingen	ns	ns	0.6	ns	ns	0.6
Berrigan	ns	ns	0.5	ns	-9.1	0.5
Blacktown	ns	ns	1.3	-9.4	-3.8	1.1
Bland	ns	-12.5	0.7	ns	-9.1	0.7
Blayney	ns	ns	0.7	ns	ns	0.5
Blue Mountains	ns	3.9	0.9	ns	-4.6	0.6
Bogan	ns	ns	1.8	ns	ns	0.7
Bombala	.	.	.	ns	ns	.
Boorowa	.	.	.	63.3	ns	.
Botany Bay	ns	ns	0.9	ns	ns	1.6
Bourke	ns	ns	6.8	ns	-9.2	2.8
Brewarrina	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.
Broken Hill	ns	ns	1.7	ns	-3.6	1.2
Burwood	ns	ns	0.9	ns	-2.9	1.6
Byron	ns	ns	1.3	ns	ns	1.3
Cabonne	ns	ns	0.6	ns	ns	0.4
Camden	ns	ns	0.7	ns	ns	0.7
Campbelltown	ns	-3.2	1.6	ns	-4.9	1.1
Canada Bay	ns	ns	0.3	ns	-2.7	0.7
Canterbury	ns	ns	0.7	ns	-2.3	0.8
Carrathool	ns	8.8	.	ns	ns	.
Central Darling	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.
Cessnock	19.5	ns	1.3	ns	-1.2	1.1
Clarence Valley	ns	-6.9	0.8	ns	-5.5	1.0
Cobar	54.4	ns	2.1	ns	ns	1.0
Coffs Harbour	ns	ns	1.2	ns	-4.5	1.1
Conargo	.	.	.	.	.	.
Coolamon	ns	ns	0.6	ns	3.4	0.7
Cooma-Monaro	ns	ns	0.9	ns	-8.0	0.7
Coonamble	44.3	ns	2.8	16.6	10.3	2.9
Cootamundra	ns	ns	1.3	ns	ns	0.8
Corowa Shire	ns	-13.3	0.6	ns	ns	0.8
Cowra	ns	9.8	1.8	-24.6	ns	1.1
Deniliquin	ns	ns	1.3	ns	ns	1.0
Dubbo	ns	ns	1.7	ns	-7.6	1.3
Dungog	ns	-13.9	0.4	ns	3.0	0.6
Eurobodalla	ns	ns	1.0	ns	ns	1.0
Fairfield	ns	ns	0.9	ns	-3.7	0.8
Forbes	ns	ns	1.8	ns	ns	1.4
Gilgandra	37.8	ns	1.9	ns	ns	1.2
Glen Innes Severn	ns	ns	1.0	ns	ns	1.1
Gloucester	ns	ns	0.9	ns	ns	0.5
Gosford	ns	ns	0.8	ns	ns	1.0
Goulburn Mulwaree	ns	ns	1.2	ns	ns	0.9
Great Lakes	ns	ns	1.2	13.3	-8.3	1.0
Greater Hume Shire	ns	ns	0.4	ns	ns	0.7
Greater Taree	ns	-5.5	1.2	ns	3.5	1.2
Griffith	ns	6.5	1.7	ns	ns	1.2
Gundagai	66.7	ns	0.9	ns	ns	0.7
Gunnedah	ns	ns	1.6	26.3	7.1	1.4
Guyra	ns	ns	1.2	ns	ns	0.6
Gwydir	ns	ns	0.5	ns	ns	0.5
Harden	ns	ns	0.7	ns	-10.3	0.5
Hawkesbury	ns	3.0	1.0	ns	ns	0.8
Hay	ns	-14.1	0.8	ns	ns	0.6
Holroyd	ns	ns	1.0	ns	-6.6	1.0
Hornsby	ns	ns	0.4	ns	-9.8	0.4
Hunters Hill	ns	ns	0.3	ns	-11.5	0.5
Hurstville	ns	ns	0.8	ns	ns	0.9
Inverell	ns	ns	1.6	ns	ns	1.0
Jerilderie	.	.	.	ns	-12.7	.
Junee	ns	ns	0.8	ns	ns	0.7
Kempsey	ns	ns	1.6	ns	4.2	1.6
Kiama	ns	ns	0.4	ns	ns	0.6
Kogarah	ns	ns	0.5	ns	-4.1	0.5
Ku-ring-gai	ns	ns	0.2	-17.7	-4.5	0.4
Kyogle	ns	ns	1.4	ns	6.7	0.9
Lachlan	ns	ns	1.6	ns	ns	1.5
Lake Macquarie	ns	ns	0.8	ns	ns	1.0
Lane Cove	ns	ns	0.2	ns	-9.4	0.5
Leeton	28.7	ns	1.4	-17.0	-4.7	1.0

TABLE 1.3: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS, VIOLENT AND PROPERTY OFFENCES OVER THE 60 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS (LGAs)

NSW LGAs	Violent Offences*			Property Offences*		
	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate	Annual percentage change over the last 24 months	Average annual percentage change over the last 60 months	Ratio [#] to NSW rate
Leichhardt	ns	-5.6	0.7	-16.4	-8.6	1.0
Lismore	ns	-5.7	1.3	ns	-8.7	0.9
Lithgow	ns	ns	1.3	ns	ns	1.0
Liverpool	ns	4.1	1.0	ns	-4.4	1.0
Liverpool Plains	ns	ns	1.2	43.0	10.8	0.7
Lockhart	.	.	0.4	-49.2	ns	0.3
Lord Howe Island	.	.	.	.	.	.
Maitland	ns	3.1	1.1	7.8	ns	1.2
Manly	ns	ns	0.9	ns	-4.2	1.0
Marrickville	ns	-8.0	0.9	-16.1	-9.4	1.1
Mid-Western Regional	ns	5.9	1.4	ns	3.4	0.8
Moree Plains	ns	ns	2.9	ns	ns	2.5
Mosman	ns	ns	0.3	ns	-10.3	0.5
Murray	-52.6	ns	0.3	ns	6.5	0.7
Murrumbidgee	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.
Muswellbrook	ns	ns	1.1	ns	ns	1.2
Nambucca	ns	ns	1.2	ns	ns	0.9
Narrabri	ns	-9.6	1.2	ns	ns	1.0
Narrandera	ns	ns	1.6	-39.9	ns	1.0
Narromine	ns	ns	1.6	21.6	11.7	1.8
Newcastle	ns	-4.4	1.3	ns	-3.7	1.6
North Sydney	ns	ns	0.6	-15.8	-11.4	0.8
Oberon	ns	ns	0.7	ns	ns	0.7
Orange	ns	3.8	1.6	ns	ns	1.6
Palerang	ns	ns	0.4	-17.3	-6.4	0.4
Parkes	ns	ns	1.5	ns	ns	1.0
Parramatta	ns	ns	1.1	ns	-5.0	1.2
Penrith	ns	1.4	1.3	ns	-4.6	1.0
Pittwater	ns	4.2	0.5	ns	-7.8	0.6
Port Macquarie-Hastings	3.8	7.0	1.1	9.5	2.0	1.1
Port Stephens	ns	ns	0.9	ns	-6.0	1.1
Queanbeyan	ns	-6.1	0.8	ns	-5.4	0.8
Randwick	ns	-4.9	0.8	ns	-5.5	0.9
Richmond Valley	ns	-7.9	1.4	12.2	-2.6	1.2
Rockdale	ns	4.2	0.7	ns	-6.1	0.7
Ryde	-20.8	-8.8	0.4	ns	-4.2	0.7
Shellharbour	ns	-3.5	0.8	ns	-3.9	0.9
Shoalhaven	ns	ns	1.3	ns	2.7	1.1
Singleton	ns	ns	0.7	ns	4.8	1.0
Snowy River	ns	-11.1	0.6	-24.8	ns	0.9
Strathfield	ns	11.3	1.2	ns	-3.4	1.4
Sutherland Shire	ns	ns	0.6	ns	-7.4	0.6
Sydney	ns	-2.6	3.0	ns	-8.1	3.4
Tamworth Regional	9.7	4.8	1.6	ns	4.6	1.1
Temora	ns	ns	1.1	ns	ns	0.6
Tenterfield	ns	ns	1.1	ns	ns	1.2
The Hills Shire	ns	ns	0.4	-6.7	-4.0	0.5
Tumbarumba	.	.	0.4	ns	7.5	0.7
Tumut Shire	ns	ns	1.1	21.0	ns	0.7
Tweed	ns	ns	0.7	ns	ns	1.0
Unincorporated Far West	.	.	.	.	.	.
Upper Hunter Shire	ns	11.4	0.7	ns	4.2	0.7
Upper Lachlan Shire	ns	ns	0.4	-32.7	7.1	0.4
Uralla	ns	ns	0.8	ns	ns	0.6
Urana	.	.	.	ns	ns	.
Wagga Wagga	ns	ns	1.2	ns	ns	1.4
Wakool	ns	ns	0.6	ns	ns	0.5
Walcha	.	.	0.5	ns	ns	0.5
Walgett	ns	-6.4	4.5	ns	ns	1.9
Warren	36.4	13.6	.	ns	6.1	.
Warringah	ns	4.7	0.5	-6.0	-3.1	0.6
Warrumbungle Shire	ns	ns	1.3	ns	ns	0.8
Waverley	ns	-3.2	0.9	ns	-7.1	1.4
Weddin	ns	ns	0.5	ns	ns	0.4
Wellington	ns	ns	2.0	ns	8.4	1.5
Wentworth	-33.2	ns	1.5	ns	2.9	1.6
Willoughby	ns	ns	0.4	ns	-5.1	0.9
Wingecarribee	ns	ns	0.7	ns	-7.2	0.6
Wollondilly	ns	ns	0.7	ns	ns	0.5
Wollongong	ns	-4.8	0.9	ns	-8.1	0.9
Woolahra	ns	ns	0.5	-13.6	-9.8	0.9
Wyong	ns	ns	1.2	7.4	ns	1.0
Yass Valley	ns	ns	0.6	-32.1	ns	0.4
Young	ns	4.9	1.6	ns	ns	0.9
NSW	ns	ns	1.0	ns	-4.2	1.0

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* For further explanation of **violent offences** and **property offences**, see page 27, Note [7].

For further explanation of **rate calculation populations** and the **ratio to NSW rate**, see page 27, Footnote 3 and Note [8].

Sydney LGA can be considered a special case since the population used to calculate the rate is much lower than the population using the area for work and entertainment. This will be reflected in higher incident rates.

SECTION 2:

**OVERVIEW OF TRENDS
IN RECORDED CRIME
BY OFFENCE TYPE
NSW**

**TABLE 2.1: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES
OVER THE 60 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW**

<i>Offence category</i>	<i>Trend result and annual percentage change over the last 24 months</i>	<i>Trend result and average annual percentage change over the last 60 months</i>
Murder*	Stable	Stable
Assault - domestic violence related	Up by 1.2%	Stable
Assault - non-domestic violence related	Stable	Stable
Sexual assault	Stable	Up by 2.9%
Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Stable	Stable
Robbery without a weapon	Down by 12.9%	Down by 7.9%
Robbery with a firearm	Stable	Down by 5.8%
Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Down by 11.1%	Down by 11.3%
Break and enter dwelling	Stable	Down by 3.0%
Break and enter non-dwelling	Down by 10.4%	Down by 10.6%
Motor vehicle theft	Down by 10.3%	Down by 7.9%
Steal from motor vehicle	Stable	Down by 6.7%
Steal from retail store	Stable	Up by 2.9%
Steal from dwelling	Stable	Down by 3.3%
Steal from person	Stable	Down by 7.2%
Fraud	Stable	Stable
Malicious damage to property	Down by 9.1%	Down by 4.9%

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* For murder, the trend test is applied to the monthly number of recorded victims rather than criminal incidents.

TABLE 2.2: NUMBER AND TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR ALL OFFENCES OVER THE 24 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW

Offence Category		Number of recorded criminal incidents		Trend [^] over last 24 months	
		over the 12 months to March 2010	over the 12 months to March 2011	Trend test result	Percentage change
Homicide	Murder*	78	80	Stable	
	Attempted murder	35	49	Stable	
	Murder accessory, conspiracy	7	7	.	
	Manslaughter*	11	8	.	
Assault	Domestic violence related assault	26,037	26,357	Up	1.2%
	Non-domestic violence related assault	40,804	38,799	Stable	
	Assault Police	2,601	2,475	Stable	
Sexual offences	Sexual assault	4,447	4,351	Stable	
	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	5,455	5,314	Stable	
Abduction and kidnapping		296	316	Stable	
Robbery	Robbery without a weapon	3,846	3,348	Down	-12.9%
	Robbery with a firearm	445	407	Stable	
	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	1,643	1,461	Down	-11.1%
Blackmail and extortion		191	105	Stable	
Harassment, threatening behaviour and private nuisance		28,586	29,441	Up	3.0%
Other offences against the person		1,424	1,383	Stable	
Theft	Break and enter dwelling	41,400	40,832	Stable	
	Break and enter non-dwelling	18,702	16,763	Down	-10.4%
	Receiving or handling stolen goods	5,443	5,533	Stable	
	Motor vehicle theft	22,201	19,904	Down	-10.3%
	Steal from motor vehicle	47,271	44,876	Stable	
	Steal from retail store	20,806	20,418	Stable	
	Steal from dwelling	21,585	20,624	Stable	
	Steal from person	9,285	8,689	Stable	
	Stock theft	502	611	Up	21.7%
	Fraud	35,501	35,575	Stable	
	Other theft	34,727	35,220	Up	1.4%
Arson		6,929	5,827	Down	-15.9%
Malicious damage to property		99,140	90,154	Down	-9.1%
Drug offences	Possession and/or use of cocaine	679	695	Stable	
	Possession and/or use of narcotics	901	1,004	Stable	
	Possession and/or use of cannabis	14,590	19,867	Up	36.2%
	Possession and/or use of amphetamines	2,052	3,018	Up	47.1%
	Possession and/or use of ecstasy	1,951	1,691	Stable	
	Possession and/or use of other drugs	2,127	2,879	Up	35.4%
	Dealing, trafficking in cocaine	251	158	Stable	
	Dealing, trafficking in narcotics	391	399	Stable	
	Dealing, trafficking in cannabis	547	702	Up	28.3%
	Dealing, trafficking in amphetamines	554	972	Up	75.5%
	Dealing, trafficking in ecstasy	549	344	Down	-37.3%
	Dealing, trafficking in other drugs	187	233	Stable	
	Cultivating cannabis	1,232	1,281	Up	4.0%
	Manufacture drug	73	96	Stable	
Importing drugs	38	34	Stable		
Other drug offences	3,541	3,969	Up	12.1%	
Prohibited and regulated weapons offences		7,853	7,903	Stable	
Disorderly conduct	Trespass	8,699	8,738	Stable	
	Offensive conduct	9,184	9,427	Stable	
	Offensive language	6,648	6,235	Stable	
	Criminal intent	1,545	1,498	Stable	
Betting and gaming offences		282	210	Stable	
Liquor offences		18,097	17,060	Stable	
Pornography offences		274	260	Stable	
Prostitution offences		166	317	Up	91.0%
Against justice procedures	Escape custody	195	173	Stable	
	Breach Apprehended Violence Order	11,864	12,325	Up	3.9%
	Breach bail conditions	25,312	27,997	Up	10.6%
	Fail to appear	1,098	1,174	Up	6.9%
	Resist or hinder officer	7,486	6,928	Stable	
	Other offences against justice procedures	559	461	Stable	
Transport regulatory offences		44,375	57,591	Up	29.8%
Other offences		15,217	15,113	Stable	

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* For murder and manslaughter incidents, the trend test is applied to the monthly number of recorded victims rather than criminal incidents.

SECTION 3:

**TRENDS, RATE COMPARISONS AND
RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS
FOR MAJOR OFFENCES
NSW REGIONS AND LGAS**

TABLE 3.1A: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 24 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW SDs

Statistical Division	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Sydney	ns	3.3	ns	ns	ns	-14.4	-17.5	-11.4	ns	-16.1	-11.3	-10.5	ns	ns	ns	ns	-9.3
Hunter	ns	ns	ns	ns	14.2	ns	ns	ns	ns	-8.4	-10.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	18.6	ns
Illawarra	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	22.3	ns	ns	-17.1	ns	ns	ns	-12.8
Richmond-Tweed	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-10.3	ns	ns	ns	-15.2
Mid-North Coast	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	14.8	ns	ns	ns	ns
Northern	5.9	ns	ns	ns	14.6	ns	ns	ns	19.9	ns	6.6	6.8	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
North Western	12.9	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-20.0	ns	ns	ns	ns	-22.1	ns
Central West	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
South Eastern	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-12.4
Murrumbidgee	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-23.0	ns	ns	17.0	ns	ns	ns	-9.6
Murray	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-19.4	-23.5	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Far West	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-29.7	ns	44.9	ns
NSW	ns	1.2	ns	ns	ns	-12.9	ns	-11.1	ns	-10.4	-10.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-9.1

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* The trend test for Sydney and NSW on the offence of murder is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.1B: RATIO TO NSW RATE[^] OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS PER 100,000 POPULATION FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW SDs

Statistical Division	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Sydney	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.8	1.3	1.2	0.9
Hunter	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.2	0.6	0.7	0.6	1.1	1.7	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.3	0.6	0.9	1.3
Illawarra	0.6	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.5	1.1
Richmond-Tweed	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.2	0.5	0.5	0.4	1.0	1.5	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.3	0.6	0.6	1.0
Mid-North Coast	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	1.3	1.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.5	1.2
Northern	2.4	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6	0.6	0.1	0.3	1.6	2.2	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.6	0.3	0.5	1.4
North Western	1.5	2.7	2.0	2.3	2.2	0.6	0.1	0.3	2.0	2.1	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.9	0.5	0.5	2.0
Central West	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	1.3	1.5	0.8	1.2	1.0	1.5	0.4	0.6	1.5
South Eastern	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.3	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.3	0.6	1.0
Murrumbidgee	0.6	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.5	0.3	0.0	0.3	1.2	1.5	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.8	0.3	0.5	1.3
Murray	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.1	0.3	0.0	0.4	1.2	2.0	0.8	1.3	0.9	1.7	0.4	0.5	1.3
Far West	0.0	3.3	1.8	1.8	1.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	2.3	1.9	0.5	1.0	0.9	1.9	0.5	0.6	1.6
NSW	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

[^] For further explanation of **rate calculation populations** and the **ratio to NSW rate**, see page 27, Footnote 3 and Note [8].

* The rate calculations on the offence of murder is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.1C: NUMBER OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES, OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW SDs

Statistical Division	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Sydney	49	14,863	21,752	2,150	2,863	2,718	343	1,214	23,248	6,916	12,736	26,422	13,255	10,104	7,092	27,489	48,767
Hunter	6	2,394	3,796	507	555	195	27	83	4,052	2,507	2,382	5,369	1,821	2,475	496	2,802	10,422
Illawarra	3	1,490	2,183	279	353	123	15	51	2,438	1,324	1,186	2,452	1,136	1,236	313	1,164	5,746
Richmond-Tweed	2	868	1,431	208	208	51	7	22	1,328	857	549	1,518	639	935	163	661	2,952
Mid-North Coast	5	1,355	1,911	263	267	63	10	31	2,308	1,205	873	2,041	882	1,356	181	738	4,528
Northern	5	1,111	1,478	186	220	52	1	12	1,713	969	452	1,220	528	872	72	474	3,362
North Western	2	1,178	1,272	163	197	33	1	8	1,334	593	341	1,089	398	661	71	307	2,951
Central West	3	944	1,328	167	163	37	2	12	1,317	650	413	1,415	511	801	94	572	3,418
South Eastern	2	724	999	166	180	27	1	8	881	524	314	1,118	428	640	72	626	2,829
Murrumbidgee	1	719	1,114	123	180	24	0	9	1,103	566	367	1,133	469	830	61	365	2,646
Murray	1	441	598	105	97	18	0	10	823	550	257	954	295	591	59	300	1,968
Far West	0	269	217	25	16	6	0	0	287	100	33	144	56	123	13	71	448
NSW	80	26,357	38,799	4,351	5,314	3,348	407	1,461	40,832	16,763	19,904	44,876	20,418	20,624	8,689	35,575	90,154

* For murder the count given is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.1D: NUMBER OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES, OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2010, NSW SDs

Statistical Division	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Sydney	48	14,387	22,685	2,262	3,087	3,177	416	1,370	24,004	8,241	14,357	29,520	13,545	10,341	7,523	27,919	53,754
Hunter	5	2,475	3,947	436	486	217	9	95	4,133	2,737	2,667	5,075	1,831	2,634	516	2,363	11,046
Illawarra	3	1,564	2,424	287	306	143	7	54	2,362	1,083	1,172	2,250	1,371	1,326	322	1,162	6,588
Richmond-Tweed	4	1,005	1,627	210	243	72	4	17	1,264	973	572	1,603	712	1,085	210	690	3,483
Mid-North Coast	2	1,319	2,008	311	303	60	5	36	2,282	1,273	1,027	2,162	768	1,367	223	717	4,929
Northern	5	1,049	1,518	192	192	34	3	5	1,429	817	424	1,142	591	861	87	488	3,491
North Western	3	1,043	1,323	145	165	28	0	16	1,387	637	426	1,054	359	686	53	394	2,978
Central West	1	941	1,406	179	178	46	1	19	1,352	702	428	1,260	467	904	89	452	3,838
South Eastern	1	739	1,160	164	182	21	0	13	929	729	363	1,155	395	753	101	601	3,229
Murrumbidgee	4	735	1,102	127	160	29	0	12	1,079	735	374	1,034	401	855	74	393	2,926
Murray	2	498	675	82	112	16	0	6	887	682	336	870	328	598	78	270	2,191
Far West	0	278	229	24	32	3	0	0	292	86	54	144	38	175	8	49	562
NSW	78	26,037	40,804	4,447	5,455	3,846	445	1,643	41,400	18,702	22,201	47,271	20,806	21,585	9,285	35,501	99,140

* For murder the count given is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.2A: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 24 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW METROPOLITAN SSDs

Metropolitan Statistical Subdivision	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Inner Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	-28.5	ns	-17.2	ns	-14.7	-9.4	-37.5	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Eastern Suburbs	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
St George-Sutherland	.	5.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-14.2	ns	ns	ns	ns
Canterbury-Bankstown	.	14.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-14.6	-9.3	ns	-16.1	ns	-14.3	ns	ns
Fairfield-Liverpool	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-37.7	ns	ns	ns	-9.9	ns	9.8	ns	ns	ns	ns
Outer South Western Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	18.7	ns	ns	ns	-19.5
Inner Western Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Central Western Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-15.1	-22.3	ns	ns	ns	-11.4
Outer Western Sydney	.	9.9	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	-15.5	ns	-19.6	-24.6	ns	ns	ns	16.6	ns	-7.9
Blacktown	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	-19.7	ns	-24.0	12.0	-22.1	ns	ns	ns	-12.7
Lower Northern Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	-23.4	-24.8	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Central Northern Sydney	.	1.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	-19.1	-27.0	-15.4	-17.8	ns	-15.5	ns	ns	-14.9
Northern Beaches	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	-22.7	-16.8	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-16.7
Central Coast	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	21.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	25.7	ns
Newcastle	.	ns	ns	ns	14.7	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	-11.0	ns	ns	ns	ns	14.9	ns
Wollongong	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	-25.9	.	ns	ns	35.6	ns	ns	-22.4	ns	ns	ns	-14.8

[^] For further explanation of **trend results**, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* The trend test for Sydney and NSW on the offence of murder is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.2B: RATIO TO NSW RATE[^] OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS PER 100,000 POPULATION FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW METROPOLITAN SSDs

Metropolitan Statistical Subdivision	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Inner Sydney	1.3	1.1	2.5	1.1	1.5	3.5	2.9	3.1	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.8	2.7	1.5	7.8	3.2	1.3
Eastern Suburbs	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.8	1.2	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.4	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.5	1.3	0.7
St George-Sutherland	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.8
Canterbury-Bankstown	0.5	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.5	1.3	2.9	2.1	0.9	0.5	1.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5	1.5	0.7
Fairfield-Liverpool	2.1	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.1	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.8
Outer South Western Sydney	1.8	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.1	0.7	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.7	1.2
Inner Western Sydney	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	2.0	2.4	1.9	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.5	1.0	1.8	0.6
Central Western Sydney	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.9	2.1	2.6	2.2	1.3	0.7	1.5	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.6	0.7
Outer Western Sydney	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.2	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.2
Blacktown	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.8	0.9	1.8	1.2	0.7	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.3
Lower Northern Sydney	1.1	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.5
Central Northern Sydney	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5
Northern Beaches	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7
Central Coast	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.4	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.1
Newcastle	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.7	1.1	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.1	1.3	0.7	0.9	1.3
Wollongong	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6	1.0

[^] For further explanation of **rate calculation populations** and the **ratio to NSW rate**, see page 27, Footnote 3 and Note [8].

* The rate calculations on the offence of murder is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.2C: NUMBER OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES, OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW METROPOLITAN SSDs

Metropolitan Statistical Subdivision	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Inner Sydney	5	1,388	4,713	235	403	587	59	227	2,144	1,136	1,359	3,949	2,770	1,518	3,360	5,559	5,702
Eastern Suburbs	2	547	1,165	69	152	141	9	44	1,349	226	673	1,487	670	658	465	1,601	2,365
St George-Sutherland	2	1,137	1,475	129	220	197	21	95	1,449	453	993	1,957	849	670	327	2,049	4,493
Canterbury-Bankstown	2	1,184	1,196	115	125	199	55	141	1,737	402	1,407	1,754	558	519	203	2,468	2,927
Fairfield-Liverpool	9	1,525	1,625	177	268	227	38	134	2,398	500	1,348	2,028	1,105	621	298	1,924	3,717
Outer South Western Sydney	5	1,399	1,458	168	186	158	16	72	1,641	420	892	1,471	692	717	168	914	3,768
Inner Western Sydney	2	421	585	58	93	176	26	75	1,003	254	584	1,306	506	291	223	1,684	1,450
Central Western Sydney	5	1,344	1,793	157	239	337	52	160	2,555	566	1,481	2,071	914	793	477	2,720	3,190
Outer Western Sydney	3	1,515	1,851	259	278	138	13	60	1,506	509	966	2,086	847	876	260	1,472	4,866
Blacktown	4	1,827	1,826	233	279	254	15	110	2,149	464	1,105	2,273	1,016	875	355	2,264	4,910
Lower Northern Sydney	4	387	710	63	116	86	12	31	1,255	396	328	1,374	1,014	513	242	1,579	1,972
Central Northern Sydney	0	573	770	122	160	60	21	26	1,428	393	356	1,262	769	583	148	1,356	2,709
Northern Beaches	1	402	880	69	105	65	3	12	681	269	282	1,144	506	553	232	775	2,116
Central Coast	5	1,214	1,705	296	239	93	3	27	1,953	928	962	2,260	1,039	917	334	1,124	4,582
Newcastle	6	2,012	3,317	426	461	176	26	78	3,474	2,069	2,122	4,903	1,661	2,025	465	2,478	8,989
Wollongong	2	875	1,384	178	227	83	12	41	1,463	769	851	1,617	810	729	242	879	3,553

* For murder the count given is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.2D: NUMBER OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES, OVER THE 12 MONTHS TO MARCH 2010, NSW METROPOLITAN SSDs

Metropolitan Statistical Subdivision	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Inner Sydney	9	1,399	4,747	284	421	821	73	274	2,510	1,331	1,500	6,321	2,586	1,469	3,545	5,785	6,144
Eastern Suburbs	2	502	1,145	94	155	137	21	50	1,341	356	712	1,410	641	704	553	1,787	2,420
St George-Sutherland	1	1,080	1,636	135	213	273	24	86	1,395	523	1,038	2,105	990	697	332	1,875	4,838
Canterbury-Bankstown	3	1,038	1,204	92	182	215	55	123	1,504	471	1,552	1,956	665	498	237	2,297	2,939
Fairfield-Liverpool	10	1,476	1,637	216	243	285	61	166	2,443	609	1,496	2,210	1,006	627	364	2,049	3,810
Outer South Western Sydney	2	1,352	1,538	194	222	182	19	83	1,903	522	1,047	1,442	583	829	208	901	4,683
Inner Western Sydney	2	388	641	61	127	153	27	76	955	249	621	1,314	466	367	252	1,569	1,545
Central Western Sydney	4	1,350	1,818	173	258	339	66	193	2,432	663	1,472	2,439	1,176	758	496	2,868	3,601
Outer Western Sydney	1	1,379	2,003	235	295	161	16	71	1,573	633	1,282	2,058	826	843	223	1,465	5,284
Blacktown	2	1,812	2,097	250	267	285	13	105	2,677	557	1,454	2,030	1,304	833	375	2,517	5,625
Lower Northern Sydney	3	372	771	99	150	81	20	41	1,137	517	436	1,234	1,055	472	258	1,741	2,201
Central Northern Sydney	7	567	805	107	142	80	11	45	1,766	538	421	1,536	701	690	145	1,352	3,184
Northern Beaches	0	397	843	69	126	74	3	17	758	348	339	1,239	542	572	239	819	2,540
Central Coast	2	1,275	1,800	253	286	91	7	40	1,610	924	987	2,226	1,004	982	296	894	4,940
Newcastle	4	2,071	3,378	378	402	200	8	92	3,565	2,217	2,383	4,599	1,679	2,221	477	2,156	9,393
Wollongong	1	896	1,521	181	192	112	7	46	1,444	567	851	1,452	1,044	780	257	880	4,170

* For murder the count given is for the number of victims, not incidents.

TABLE 3.3A: TRENDS^a IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 24 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW LGAs

NSW LGAs	Murder ^a	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Albury	ns	ns	ns	60.0	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	-22.9	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Armidale Dumaresq	50.5	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	ns	-59.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Ashfield	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	51.7	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Auburn	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	-41.2	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Ballina	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Balranald	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Bankstown	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-8.5	ns	-19.4	ns	-22.3	ns	ns
Bathurst Regional	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	29.0	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Bega Valley	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-42.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Bellingen	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Berrigan	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Blacktown	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	-19.7	ns	-24.0	12.0	-22.1	ns	ns	ns	-12.7
Bland	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Blayney	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Blue Mountains	18.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	-15.2	-33.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Bogan	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Bombala	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Boorowa	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Botany Bay	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Bourke	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	-30.4	ns	ns	.	.	ns
Brewarrina	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Broken Hill	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-34.1	ns	39.1	ns
Burwood	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	23.8
Byron	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Cabonne	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Camden	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	-28.4	-31.3
Campbelltown	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	-18.3	ns	25.5	ns	ns	ns	-19.3
Canada Bay	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Canterbury	16.9	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	41.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Carrathool	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-60.3
Central Darling	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Cessnock	ns	23.6	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	-26.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Clarence Valley	ns	-32.0	ns	47.5	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Cobar	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Coffs Harbour	ns	9.3	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Conargo	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Coolamon	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Cooma-Monaro	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Coonamble	20.5	30.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	13.6	44.6	.	ns	.	29.0	.	.	ns
Cootamundra	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Corowa Shire	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	106.9	.	ns	.	.	ns
Cowra	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	-38.6	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Deniliquin	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Dubbo	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	40.0	ns	ns	ns	ns
Dungog	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Eurobodalla	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Fairfield	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-38.1	ns	ns	ns	-24.3	ns	ns	25.7	ns	ns	ns	ns
Forbes	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-67.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	-16.6
Gilgandra	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Glen Innes Severn	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	81.6	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Gloucester	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Gosford	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	38.6	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	19.3	-15.2
Goulburn Mulwaree	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	-20.7	ns	ns	ns	.	47.7	ns
Great Lakes	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-51.8	ns	ns	ns	61.7	.	.	ns
Greater Hume Shire	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Greater Taree	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	-44.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Griffith	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns
Gundagai	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Gunnedah	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	41.0	ns	ns	33.0	ns	ns	.	ns	40.1
Guyra	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Gwydir	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Harden	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Hawkesbury	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	-26.8	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	-14.7
Hay	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Holroyd	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-13.6
Hornsby	17.8	ns	ns	ns	ns	-44.2	.	.	ns	-44.0	ns	-13.2	ns	ns	36.4	ns	-21.0
Hunters Hill	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Hurstville	17.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	44.5	ns
Inverell	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Jerilderie	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Junee	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Kempsey	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Kiama	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	59.4	59.1	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Kogarah	39.8	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns
Ku-ring-gai	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	-25.1	-37.3	-23.9	-31.2	ns	-14.4	.	ns	-16.9
Kyogle	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Lachlan	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	81.8	78.6	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Lake Macquarie	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	-10.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Lane Cove	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	.	ns	ns
Leeton	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns

TABLE 3.3A: TRENDS[^] IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR MAJOR OFFENCES OVER THE 24 MONTHS TO MARCH 2011, NSW LGAs

NSW LGAs	Murder*	Assault - domestic violence related	Assault - non-domestic violence related	Sexual assault	Indecent assault, act of indecency and other sexual offences	Robbery without a weapon	Robbery with a firearm	Robbery with a weapon not a firearm	Break and enter dwelling	Break and enter non-dwelling	Motor vehicle theft	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal from retail store	Steal from dwelling	Steal from person	Fraud	Malicious damage to property
Leichhardt	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	-34.3	ns	ns	-25.3	ns	ns	-39.7	ns	ns
Lismore	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-19.5
Lithgow	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Liverpool	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	-12.3	ns	ns	ns	-28.7	ns	ns
Liverpool Plains	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	120.0	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Lockhart	ns
Lord Howe Island	ns
Maitland	.	ns	ns	ns	50.0	.	.	.	ns	41.3	-22.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Manly	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	-43.5	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Marrickville	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	-56.6	ns	-33.9	-13.2	-28.9	-19.5	ns	ns	ns	-14.7
Mid-Western Regional	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-44.4	-63.4	ns	ns	ns	.	-33.3	ns
Moree Plains	.	ns	-27.4	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	-39.6	ns	.	.	ns
Mosman	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Murray	ns	ns	.	114.3	.	ns	.	.	-54.5
Murrumbidgee	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Muswellbrook	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	-26.1
Nambucca	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Narrabri	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Narrandera	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-55.9	.	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Narromine	.	34.2	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	79.0	.	ns	.	.	ns
Newcastle	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	-25.5	ns	ns	-12.1	ns	ns	29.5	ns
North Sydney	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	ns	-46.4	-47.2	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-24.9
Oberon	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Orange	.	20.6	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-16.1
Palerang	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Parkes	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Parramatta	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-33.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Penrith	.	13.9	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	-22.3	-25.5	-11.1	ns	ns	21.6	ns	-11.6
Pittwater	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	-41.8	-25.4
Port Macquarie-Hastings	.	ns	5.6	ns	ns	.	.	.	42.1	ns	-17.8	ns	33.3	ns	ns	ns	ns
Port Stephens	.	ns	ns	ns	41.5	.	.	.	ns	-23.6	ns	ns	-33.7	ns	ns	ns	ns
Queanbeyan	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	-22.6	-17.4
Randwick	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	33.3	ns	ns	ns	ns
Richmond Valley	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	8.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Rockdale	.	ns	ns	.	81.1	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	75.6	ns	ns
Ryde	.	ns	ns	ns	-26.7	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	18.4	ns
Shellharbour	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Shoalhaven	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-19.7	ns	ns	ns
Singleton	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns
Snowy River	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Strathfield	.	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Sutherland Shire	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Sydney	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	-30.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-42.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Tamworth Regional	.	14.7	8.9	-26.8	ns	.	.	.	28.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-29.3	ns	ns
Temora	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-43.6	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Tenterfield	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	-43.3	.	ns	.	.	95.3
The Hills Shire	.	ns	ns	71.4	ns	ns	.	.	-20.4	ns	ns	ns	-6.2	ns	ns	ns	ns
Tumbarumba	ns
Tumut Shire	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	96.4	.	.	ns
Tweed	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	16.1	ns	ns	ns	-15.5	-27.0	-34.7	ns	-19.0
Unincorporated Far West	ns
Upper Hunter Shire	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Upper Lachlan Shire	ns
Uralla	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ns
Urana	ns
Wagga Wagga	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	31.4	ns	ns	ns	-16.8
Wakool	ns
Walcha	ns
Walgett	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	ns	.	ns	ns
Warren	.	ns	50.0	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-31.3
Warringah	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Warrumbungle Shire	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Waverley	.	ns	ns	.	ns	ns	.	.	39.8	-47.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Weddin	ns
Wellington	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	-47.9	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns
Wentworth	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	-67.5	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Willoughby	.	31.3	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	ns	-26.2	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Wingecarribee	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	47.9	ns	.	.	ns
Wollondilly	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	ns
Wollongong	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	ns	48.0	ns	14.0	-27.7	ns	ns	ns	ns	-14.7
Woollahra	.	ns	ns	.	ns	.	.	.	-28.1	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Wyong	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	.	.	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	32.1	ns
Yass Valley	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
Young	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	.	.	ns	ns	.	.	.	ns	.	.	ns
NSW	ns	1.2	ns	ns	ns	-12.9	ns	-11.1	ns	-10.4	-10.3	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	-9.1

[^] For further explanation of trend results, see page 27, Notes [5] and [6].

* There were no LGAs with 20 murder victims, hence no trend tests were reported. The trend test for NSW on the offence of murder is for the number of victims, not incidents.

NOTES: TRENDS IN RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FOR NSW

[1] Irrespective of how trends in recorded crime are presented, their interpretation is a difficult task. The recorded criminal incident data presented in this report are based on information derived from the NSW Police Force Computerised Operational Policing System (COPS), so only those incidents which are reported to, or detected by, police are included. The trends in recorded crime shown in this report will, therefore, reflect movements in the underlying factors which influence the detection, reporting and recording of crime, as well as changes in the true level of crime in the community.

[2] An alternative measure of the level of crime in Australia is available from crime victim surveys, for example the national *Crime Victimization Survey* (now in its second year) by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)¹. As well as providing an estimate of the victimisation rate at the State level for a selected set of offences, this survey estimates the proportion of crimes which are not reported to police, and are therefore not recorded in the official statistics. In particular, personal crimes, such as assault and robbery, are less likely to be reported than crimes which involve households. For example, Crime Victimization Australia, 2009-10 estimates that in the 12-month period to June 2010 for NSW, 69.5 per cent of households that were victims of a break-in reported the incident to police, whilst 54.5 per cent of individuals aged 15 or over who were victims of a physical assault and 27.5 per cent who were victims of a threatened assault reported the incident². Given that some offences have low reporting rates, it is possible that changes in recorded crime rates over time for these offences may be reflecting changes in reporting rates. For NSW the estimates of the reporting rates were not significantly different to the first survey of 2008-2009, but some of the victimisation rates have shown a decline (for example threatened assault, robbery and some property offences).

[3] Public willingness to report crime, however, is just one of the extraneous factors which can affect trends in recorded crime. Shifts in policing policy can also have a marked effect on the number of recorded drug offences, drink driving offences, cases of offensive behaviour or of receiving stolen goods. For these offences, therefore, recorded rates probably do not accurately reflect actual rates. For this reason, the more detailed comparisons of crime rates and examination of trends in this document are restricted to offence categories which are more likely to be reported to, rather than detected by police.

[4] The interpretation of trends in official reports of crime can be considerably more difficult than the interpretation of trends in unemployment or inflation statistics. The ease with which recorded crime statistics can be misunderstood creates a temptation to offer an authoritative explanation for each major crime trend. Indeed, in many instances it is simply impossible to state with any assurance why a particular trend has appeared. This report, therefore, confines itself to identifying and describing trends in recorded crime, rather than explaining them.

[5] For each offence category or subcategory (except murder), a statistical test for trend was applied to the monthly numbers of recorded criminal incidents over the relevant period. In the case of murder, the statistical test for trend was applied to the monthly numbers of victims over the period. The trend test used was Kendall's rank-order correlation test (see, for example, Conover, W.J. 1980, *Practical Non-Parametric Statistics*, 2nd ed, John Wiley and Sons, pp 256-260). A two-tailed test was used to determine whether there had been an increasing or decreasing trend in the recorded numbers of criminal incidents over the relevant period covered in the report. Some month to month variations in the numbers of recorded incidents could be due in part to seasonal factors. The test for trend is not sensitive to seasonal variations; it is sensitive only to a generally increasing or generally decreasing trend over the time period examined.

[6] For the trend tests throughout this publication, where a statistically significant trend was found ($p < .05$), the extent of the trend is indicated by percentage change in the total number of recorded criminal incidents between the latest two consecutive 12-month periods for 24 month tests; and the average annual percentage change between the first 12-month period and the latest 12-month period for longer tests. A trend test was not performed if there were fewer than 20 incidents in any of the years for the period in question. The result ' . ' indicates that a trend test was not performed. A non-significant test result ($p > .05$) is denoted by 'Stable' or by 'ns' in some larger LGA tables.

[7] In order to present an overview of crime trends in NSW the information in Section 1 relates to aggregate *violent* and *property* crime. The State graphs for *violent* and *property offences* are plotted as monthly rates³ per 100,000 population. The State graph for *violent offences* shows distinct seasonality and the 12-month moving average (light grey line) indicates a slight downward path over the past few years, whilst the *property offences* graph and the 6-month moving average (light grey line) both indicate a strong downwards path since about 2000. Violent offences include: *murder, assault - domestic violence related, assault - non-domestic violence related, assault police, robbery without a weapon, robbery with a firearm, robbery with a weapon not a firearm, sexual assault and indecent assault / act of indecency / other sexual offences*. Property offences include: *break and enter dwelling, break and enter non-dwelling, motor vehicle theft, steal from motor vehicle, steal from retail store, steal from dwelling, steal from person, stock theft, other theft and fraud*.

[8] The ratio to NSW rate statistics are a comparison of a NSW regional rate per 100,000 population to the NSW rate per 100,000 population. A ratio of one indicates parity with the NSW rate. Ratios indicating double the NSW rate (or more) before rounding are highlighted in red, whilst ratios indicating half the NSW rate (or less) before rounding are highlighted in yellow.

1. Australian Bureau of Statistics 2011, *Crime Victimization Australia, 2009-10*, Cat. No. 4530.0, ABS, Sydney.

2. Australian Bureau of Statistics 2011, *Crime Victimization Australia, 2009-10*, pages 12-15, Cat. No. 4530.0, ABS, Sydney.

3. For the rate calculations throughout this publication, population data were obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics publication: *Regional Population Growth Australia 2009-10* Cat. No. 3218 (for 2009 and 2010 population estimates). As no population estimates were available for 2011 when this report was published, rates for 2011 were calculated using 2010 population estimates.

