



AJSAC Fact Sheet — Burglary in Alaska: 1985-2012

ANCHORAGE, AK— The 14-01 issue of the *AJSAC Fact Sheet* presents data for 1985–2012 on burglary in Alaska. Place and time of burglaries, as well as stolen property values are included.

Data is drawn from the annual *Crime in Alaska* report of the Alaska Department of Public Safety, which represents the State of Alaska's contribution to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. This fact sheet looks at the UCR Part 1 property offense of burglary:

- Alaska's overall burglary rate (crimes per 100,000 population) decreased 65.5% from 1985-2012.
- Alaska's residential burglary rate (crimes per 100,000 population) decreased 73.0% from 1985-2012.
- Alaska's nonresidential burglary rate (crimes per 100,000 population) decreased 82.4% from 1985-2012.
- Trend lines for Alaska's residential burglaries reported at night (6pm-6am) show steady, but slight decreases while those reported in daytime (6am-6pm) and unknown time clearly increased from 1985-2012.
- On average, burglaries in Alaska occurred most frequently in August (409) and least often in February (261). By yearly quarter, most burglaries occurred in the third quarter (July, August, and September) while the least burglaries were reported in the first quarter (January, February, and March).
- Stolen property values were adjusted to 2012 dollars. From 1985-2012, the reported property stolen during all burglaries totaled \$219,916,308 in current dollars, with residential burglaries representing 67.4% of all stolen property value.

A note about crime and arrest rates: A rate is a standardized, population-based measure which takes into account the total number of people living in a particular jurisdiction. Rates are used to provide a basis for direct comparisons of a jurisdiction to itself over time, or between jurisdictions at a single point in time. A crime rate reflects the number of crimes reported to law enforcement agencies per 100,000 total population. An arrest rate denotes the number of arrests reported by law enforcement agencies per 100,000 population.

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