

**INDEX CRIMES REPORTED TO POLICE**  
**January through March, 2008**



**LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN**  
**POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**Douglas C. Gillespie, Sheriff**

**QUARTERLY SUMMARY**  
**January - March 2008**

Classification of Offense	Jan-Mar 2008		Jan-Mar 2007		Crime Rate Percent of Change '07-'08	Same Period 5 years ago (2003)		Crime Rate Percent of Change '03-'08
	Actual	Rate per 100,000 Popul.	Actual	Rate per 100,000 Popul.		Actual	Rate per 100,000 Popul.	
Murder and non-negligent Manslaughter	17	1.13	36	2.51	-55%	21	1.73	-35%
Forcible Rape	187	12.43	149	10.38	20%	133	10.98	13%
Robbery	1,282	85.19	1,112	77.47	10%	1,000	82.57	3%
Aggravated Assault (felony)	1,847	122.73	1,770	123.30	0%	1,237	102.14	20%
Burglary	3,482	231.38	3,658	254.83	-9%	2,990	246.90	-6%
Larceny - Theft	6,277	417.11	7,028	489.59	-15%	7,127	588.51	-29%
Auto Theft	3,076	204.40	4,221	294.05	-30%	3,330	274.97	-26%
Crime Index Total	16,168	1074.37	17,974	1252.13	-14%	15,838	1307.82	-18%
Crimes Against Persons Total	3,333	221.48	3,067	213.66	4%	2,391	197.44	12%
Crimes Against Property Total	12,835	852.89	14,907	1038.47	-18%	13,447	1110.38	-23%
Population*	1,504,887		1,435,477		5%	1,211,026		24%

\*2008 monthly population estimates based on State Demographer Projections  
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 Source: Uniform Crime Report (UCR, Table 4)

**SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

- Las Vegas hosted the annual NASCAR events; three days of races at the Las Vegas Speedway and the Team Hauler procession on Las Vegas Blvd. There were 300,000 people in attendance for the races at the Speedway and approximately 50,000 people on the Strip for the procession. More than 200 officers were assigned to these events through the **Special Events Section** and all of the events were successful, reporting very few problems.
- South Central Area Command** officers conducted a person stop on a subject who, during the course of the conversation, confessed to just committing a homicide. While officers were taking the subject into custody so that they could follow-up on the information, the subject produced a knife and attempted to cut his own throat, injuring an officer in the process. Follow-up investigation confirmed that the homicide did occur.
- Traffic** officers assisted two area commands with DUI checkpoints during the quarter. The combined results are: 33 arrests for DUI; one arrest for marijuana possession (one pound); one arrest for firearms possession. A total of 8,298 vehicles passed through these two checkpoints.
- Construction Theft** detectives executed a search warrant at four locations in reference to stolen construction storage boxes. The suspect was an ex-employee of the victim and recovered were four 20' boxes and one 40' box valued at over \$10,000, two 12-gauge shotguns, four computers, one toy-hauler with an altered VIN as well as marijuana. Within the next few months, detectives located five additional storage units belonging to the victim.
- Robbery** Safe Streets Task Force played a significant role in the investigation and arrest of three suspects that committed a series of coin truck robberies over the last year. After a number of search warrants were served, detectives identified, lo-

cated and arrested the suspects. More than \$300,000 was recovered, as well as several weapons. Detectives were able to use additional information from other robberies the suspects were involved with, aiding in a grand jury indictment.

- Problem Solving Units in Northwest Area Command** gathered information on a suspect who was a prolific burglar within the area command, responsible for approximately 30 commercial burglaries. The suspect subsequently began to commit armed robberies, and was identified in a photo lineup by a robbery victim. Officers conducted surveillance on the subject and several of his associates, which led them to a residence where the suspects received and stored stolen merchandise and worked out prospective buyers for the merchandise. A search warrant was served resulting in the recovery of stolen property from even more than the 30 burglaries the officers had already identified. The main suspect has been sentenced to a minimum of ten years in prison and is still awaiting additional cases in the system.
- Special Investigations** detectives teamed with the **South Central Area Command** Community Oriented Policing officers to serve a search warrant at a clothing establishment regarding counterfeit clothing and apparel. Over 400 counterfeit items were seized with a fair market value of over \$55,000. A State of Nevada Department of Taxation investigator also assisted and seized a large quantity of liquor on the premises.
- During a reckless driving traffic stop of a taxicab, the cab driver became very belligerent and made threatening comments towards the **Traffic** officer. The driver drove the cab a short distance away from the location of the stop, made a U-turn and attempted to run over the officer several times, ultimately causing the officer to be thrown off his motorcycle. Violent Crimes detectives responded and apprehended the suspect, who was booked for attempted murder.