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# POLICE INCIDENT REPORTS



Police Incident Reports  
1 January 1994 - 31 December 2007

TABLE 2.1 Number of incident reports lodged per year, 1994-2007

Calendar year	Number
1994	173,335
1995	172,317
1996	167,033
1997	163,452
1998	182,402
1999	196,209
2000	215,302
2001	220,028
2002	218,570
2003	212,094
2004	208,097
2005	200,216
2006	197,214
2007	194,653

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TABLE 2.2 Number of recorded offences per incident report

Number of recorded offences	Number	Percentage
1	150,810	77.5
2	33,372	17.1
3	7,152	3.7
4	2,057	1.1
5	704	0.4
6 – 10	496	0.2
11- 15	37	0.0
16 – 20	17	0.0
21 and over	8	0.0
Total	194,653	100.0

All offences and all counts of the same offence listed on the incident report are included.

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TABLE 2.3 Major offence recorded per incident report

Offence Group	Report Year									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)	17,262	16,178	18,502	19,528	19,581	17,849	16,448	17,202	17,641	18,329
Sexual offences*	1,770	1,673	1,815	1,896	1,991	2,230	2,155	2,079	1,943	2,106
Robbery and extortion	1,651	1,464	1,649	1,618	1,568	1,375	1,271	1,199	1,233	1,316
Offences against property	130,190	139,888	148,876	148,970	145,268	138,145	131,307	120,061	117,078	112,847
Driving offences	10,141	17,471	20,070	23,262	24,226	26,528	30,338	32,141	29,302	28,927
Drug offences	2,343	2,553	2,456	2,769	2,415	2,340	2,360	1,988	2,193	1,998
Offences against good order	18,331	16,087	20,684	20,832	22,183	21,701	22,761	24,489	26,856	28,485
Other offences	714	895	1,250	1,153	1,338	1,926	1,457	1,057	968	645
<b>Total</b>	<b>182,402</b>	<b>196,209</b>	<b>215,302</b>	<b>220,028</b>	<b>218,570</b>	<b>212,094</b>	<b>208,097</b>	<b>200,216</b>	<b>197,214</b>	<b>194,653</b>

The major or most serious offence recorded per report is determined on the basis of the maximum statutory penalty associated with each offence with ties being separated by JANCO levels.

\* In June 2003 the Criminal Law Consolidation Act was amended to abolish the time limit for the prosecution of certain sexual offences.

