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CITY CRIME STATISTICS

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Did you know?...

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- Charlotte has experienced a small but steady increase in overall violent crimes since 2022. This includes a constant rise in aggravated assaults and an overall high number of property crimes and vehicle thefts.
- Memphis has the highest rate of crime (murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) of any big city in the United States, [according to the FBI](#). Memphis has 2,501 violent crimes per 100,000 people. [Memphis Mayor Paul Young](#) has asserted that he is not happy about the introduction of the National Guard to his city, saying he did not ask for a deployment and does not think it will reduce crime.



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Executive Summary

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President Trump is actively considering sending the National Guard to the city to help combat crime in Chicago and Memphis. Chicago has a high overall number of violent crimes and aggravated assaults are at a 20-year high. Memphis has the highest crime rate per capita in the entire country according to the FBI. Additionally, Charlotte has experienced a small but steady increase in overall crime over the last three years.

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- According to the [Metropolitan Police Department](#), violent crime was down 39% percent from the same period last year, including a 53% drop in homicides.
- [Property crime dropped 18%](#) and vehicle theft is down 35% compared to the previous 30 days.
- The "crime emergency" that granted federal control over the Metropolitan Police Department expired on September 10, 2025, but the presence of the National Guard and increased federal law enforcement presence [can continue](#).
- On August 27, 2025, [Mayor Muriel Bowser](#) said, "We know that we have had fewer gun crimes, fewer homicides and we have experienced an extreme reduction in carjackings" and that "We greatly appreciate the surge of officers" enhancing the work of local police officers." She did note that the National Guard presence in D.C. was not an efficient use of resources.
- The [D.C. Chief of Police](#) said their goal is to "drive down crime while our partners are here," and that they frequently work with federal partners and that "the difference now is simply an enhanced presence."

Chicago

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- In 2024, [Chicago](#) had 8,039 aggravated assaults, the most in 20-years. It also had 9,132 robberies, still above the low of 7,919 of 2021.
- In 2024, [Chicago](#) had 68,179 criminal complaints including: 573 murders, 2,069 criminal sexual assault, 20,357 thefts, and 21,815 motor vehicle thefts.
- In 2023, [Chicago](#) had 77,449 criminal complaints including: 620 murders, 2,093 criminal sexual assaults, 20,751 thefts, and 29,257 motor vehicle thefts.
- In 2022, [Chicago](#) had 66,739 criminal complaints including: 709 murders, 2,037 criminal sexual assaults, 20,173 thefts, and 21,370 motor vehicle thefts.
- In response to Trump's notions to deploy the National Guard to Chicago, [Mayor Brandon Johnson](#) issued a statement which described Trump's approach as "uncoordinated, uncalled for, and unsound." Johnson also [claimed](#) that "unlawfully" deploying the National Guard to Chicago could potentially "inflame tensions between residents and law enforcement."
- On August 30, 2025, Mayor Johnson signed an [executive order](#) saying that Chicago police will not assist or cooperate with federal law enforcement and National Guard.
 - [Johnson's order](#) states that "The deployment of federal military forces in Chicago without the consent of local authorities undermines democratic norms, violates the City's sovereignty, threatens civil liberties, and risks escalating violence rather than securing the peace."
- [Illinois Governor J. B. Pritzker](#) has said that the president lacks the legal authority to deploy troops to Illinois if not requested by the governor, describing it as "an invasion with U.S. troops" if Trump follows through. Pritzker has said that there is [no crime emergency in Chicago](#) and that President Trump is "attempting to manufacture a crisis, politicize Americans who serve in uniform, and continue abusing his power to distract from the pain he is causing working families."

Memphis

Memphis has the highest rate of crime (murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) of any big city in the United States [according to the FBI](#). Memphis has 2,501 violent crimes per 100,000 people.

- In 2024, [Memphis](#) had a total of 53,805 criminal offenses including: 248 murders, 7,501 aggravated assaults, 2,158 robberies, 10,149 cases of shoplifting, and 9,866 vehicle thefts.
- In 2023, [Memphis](#) had a total of 65,794 criminal offenses including: 344 murders, 7,641 aggravated assaults, 2,817 robberies, 10,601 cases of shoplifting, and 16,062 vehicle thefts.
- In 2022, [Memphis](#) had a total of 56,289 criminal offenses including: 250 murders, 7,104 aggravated assaults, 2,342 robberies, 7,766 cases of shoplifting, and 11,170 vehicle thefts.
- [Memphis Mayor Paul Young](#) has asserted that he is not happy about the introduction of National Guard to his city, saying he did not ask for a deployment and does not think it will reduce crime. Young [acknowledged](#) however that the deployment of the National Guard is "something that we don't have a

choice in,” and said that “we’re going to do all that we can to make sure that it has limited impact on our community.”

Charlotte

Charlotte has experienced a small, but steady increase in overall violent crimes since 2022. This includes a steady increase in aggravated assaults and an overall high number of property crimes and vehicle thefts.

- In 2024, [Charlotte](#) had 7,413 violent crimes including: 111 murders, 5,679 aggravated assaults, 868 armed robberies, 36,996 property crimes, and 7,445 vehicle thefts.
- In 2023, [Charlotte](#) had 7,215 violent crimes including: 89 murders, 5,542 aggravated assaults, 890 armed robberies, 38,507 property crimes, and 8,054 vehicle thefts.
- In 2022, [Charlotte](#) had 7,213 violent crimes including: 107 murders, 5,368 aggravated assaults, 1,452 armed robberies, 32,757 property crimes, and 3,648 vehicle thefts.
- Following the August 2025 stabbing of Ukrainian refugee Iryna Zarutska, [Charlotte Mayor Vi Lyles](#) put out a statement in which she strongly sympathized with the suspect’s alleged mental health struggles instead of condemning the murder.