



# Juvenile Justice Information System

## Data & Evaluation Reports Total Referrals Charts and Trends (2009)

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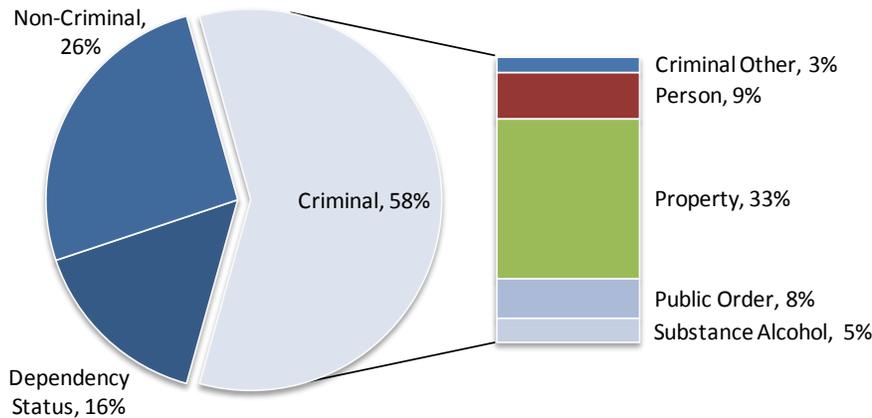




# Total Referrals in 2009

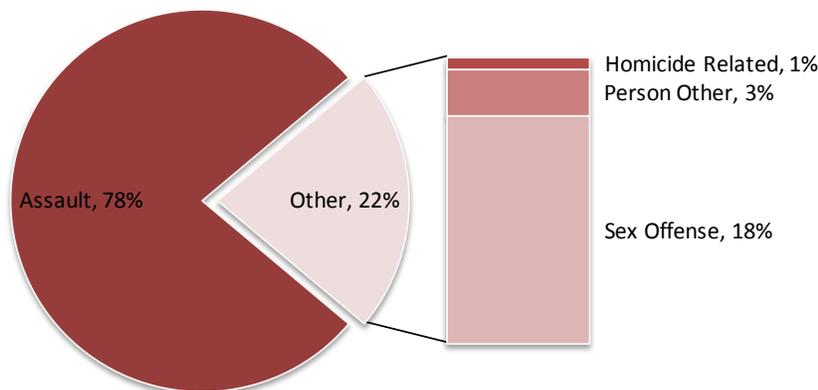
Total referrals constitute the sum of all referrals received by county juvenile departments throughout Oregon during 2009. Total referrals include multiple referrals of a single youth within the reporting year (i.e., the youth may have several reports by the police). All criminal (felony and misdemeanor), non-criminal, and dependency status offense referrals are included. Dependency referrals where the referred youth was an alleged victim of abuse or neglect are excluded. Where there were multiple allegations on a single referral, the referral was classified by the most serious allegation.

## Total Referrals – Breakout by Crime Category



Total Referrals = 34,407  
 Total Criminal Referrals = 20,179

## Total Person Referrals – Breakout by Crime Type



Total Person Referrals = 3,225

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### TERMINOLOGY

#### **Allegation**

Legal reason or reasons for the referral to a juvenile department.

#### **Criminal Offense**

Conduct for which a sentence of imprisonment is authorized. (ORS 161.515)

#### **Juvenile Justice Information System (JJIS)**

A statewide electronic case management system used by all Oregon county juvenile departments and the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA). JJIS is maintained by the OYA.

#### **Non-Criminal Offense**

Violation punishable by a fine but not by a term of imprisonment.

#### **Offense**

Conduct for which a sentence of imprisonment or a fine is authorized; includes both crimes and violations. (ORS 161.505)

#### **Referral**

Any allegation or group of allegations received by a juvenile department at any one time, documented by a police report or other formal means of referral.

#### **Dependency Status Offense**

Generally, conduct illegal for juveniles but not for adults. Unless otherwise classified as a non-criminal offense, most status offenses are defined in Dependency statutes rather than criminal and offense statutes. Referrals for runaways constitute the largest share of status offenses in JJIS.

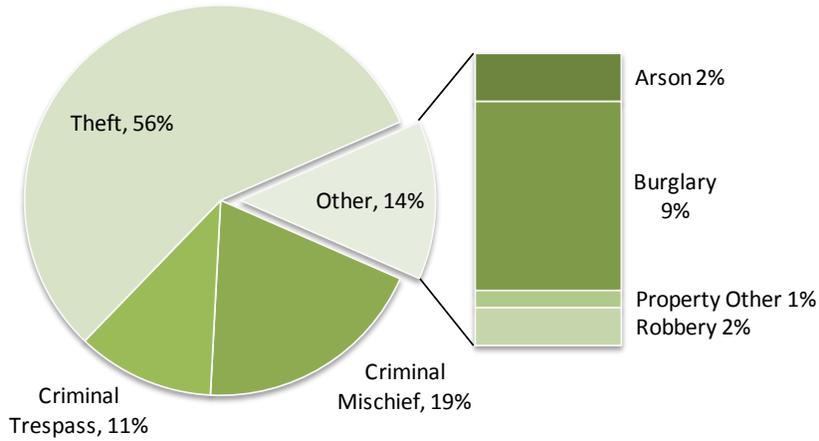
#### **A Note about Sources**

Referral data and youth characteristics came from JJIS database extracts provided by OYA.

Youth population estimates were derived from data retrieved online from Easy Access to Juvenile Populations hosted by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (<http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>). These estimates tend to lag the referral data but represent the most current information available at the time of publication.



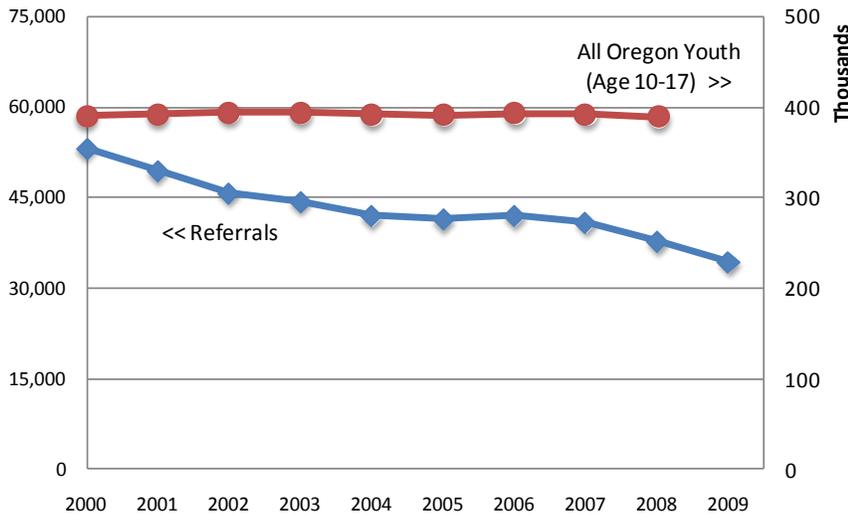
**Total Property Referrals – Breakout by Crime Type**



Total Property Referrals = 11,275

**Referral Trends 2000 – 2009**

**Total Referrals vs. Oregon Youth Population**



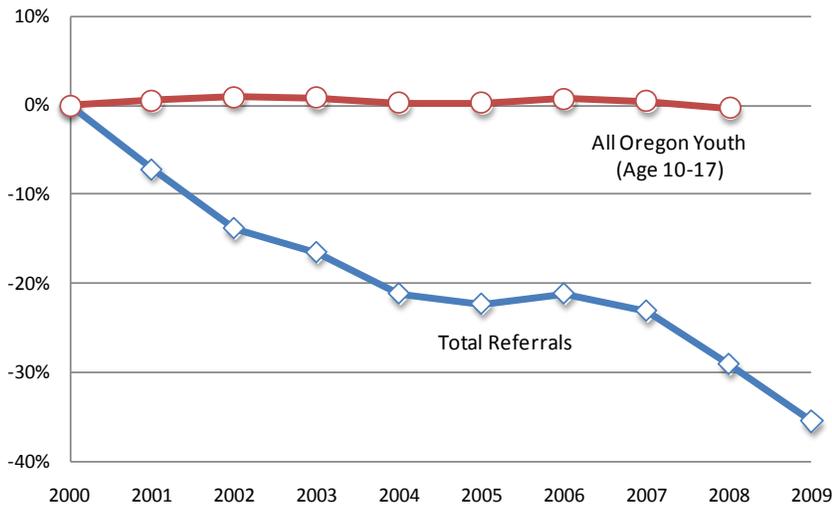
**Total Referral Counts and Oregon Youth Population by Year**

Year	Referrals	Oregon Youth Population (Age 10 – 17)
2000	53,324	390,562
2001	49,507	392,634
2002	45,920	394,608
2003	44,489	393,968
2004	42,011	391,754
2005	41,423	391,714
2006	42,012	393,472
2007	40,961	392,464
2008	37,804	389,457
2009	34,407	not available

Note: Table reflects estimated Oregon youth population aged 10-17 as of July 1. Source: Puzzanhera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2009). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2008." Online. Retrieved August 4, 2009. Available: <http://www.ojdp.ncjrs.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>



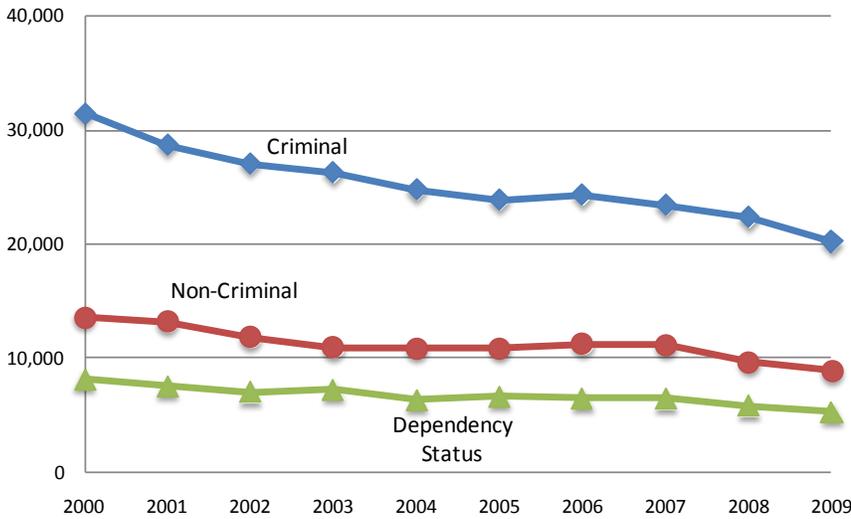
**Total Referrals and Oregon Youth Population: Percent change since 2000**



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Percent change since 2000**

Year	Referrals	Oregon Youth Population (Age 10 – 17)
2000	0.00%	0.00%
2001	-7.2%	+ 0.5%
2002	-13.9%	+ 1.0%
2003	-16.6%	+ 0.9%
2004	-21.2%	+ 0.3%
2005	-22.3%	+ 0.3%
2006	-21.2%	+ 0.8%
2007	-23.2%	+ 0.5%
2008	-29.1%	- 0.3%
2009	-35.5%	not available

**Referrals by Crime Category**



**Referral Counts by Crime Category**

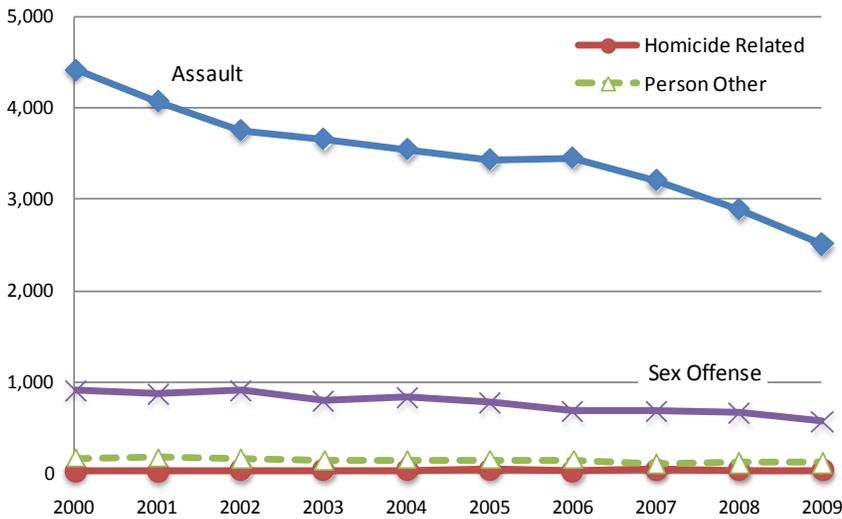
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Dep. Status	8,231	7,611	7,027	7,317	6,421
Non-Criminal	13,617	13,201	11,829	10,920	10,867
Criminal	31,476	28,695	27,064	26,252	24,723

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Status	6,698	6,513	6,449	5,835	5,352
Non-Criminal	10,880	11,231	11,131	9,673	8,876
Criminal	23,845	24,268	23,381	22,296	20,179



**Person Crime Referrals by Type**



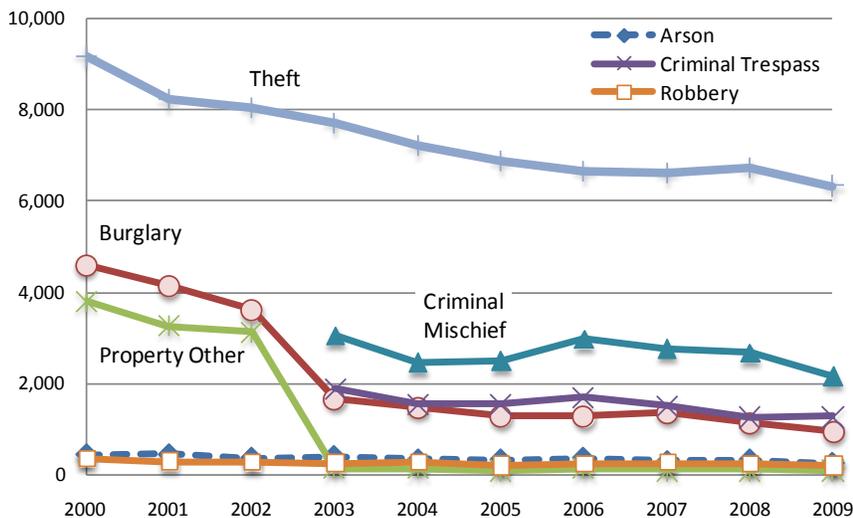
**Person Crime Referral Counts by Type**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Assault	4,423	4,079	3,758	3,651	3,541
Person Other	23	15	28	32	31
Homicide Rel.	164	165	155	131	143
Sex Offense	917	878	901	800	829

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Assault	3,435	3,461	3,202	2,892	2,507
Person Other	44	19	39	33	32
Homicide Rel.	145	146	107	115	116
Sex Offense	781	685	686	657	570

**Property Crime Referrals by Type**



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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Arson	423	457	350	399	332
Burglary	4,619	4,143	3,617	1,676	1,491
Cri. Mischief				3,058	2,456
Cri. Trespass				1,901	1,554
Prop. Other	3,806	3,264	3,118	138	116
Robbery	345	275	259	232	258
Theft	9,196	8,224	8,044	7,720	7,220

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Arson	314	366	303	310	245
Burglary	1,279	1,273	1,373	1,141	953
Cri. Mischief	2,506	2,973	2,770	2,680	2,173
Cri. Trespass	1,553	1,698	1,516	1,271	1,284
Prop. Other	98	137	110	114	84
Robbery	198	229	247	218	198
Theft	6,883	6,670	6,627	6,734	6,338

Note: Methodology changed in 2003 to provide additional reporting categories for some property crimes.

