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## NEWS RELEASE: SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

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The purpose of this supplemental news release is to provide more detailed information about Oxnard's crime statistics for 2020.

In 1930, the national Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was created as a way for the federal government to collect a reliable set of crime statistics from city, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies throughout the country. The Oxnard Police Department has been contributing UCR statistics for five (5) decades.

The UCR program utilizes a hierarchical system to prioritize and categorize offenses. The hierarchy rule requires that an incident with multiple offenses or charges be narrowed down to a single offense, usually the most serious charge. The Part I schedule includes the crimes in the following table:

Part I Crime	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
<b>Violent Crimes</b>				
Homicide	14	8	-42.9%	-6
Rape	63	81	28.6%	18
Robbery	275	274	-0.4%	-1
Aggr. Assault	374	380	1.6%	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Property Crimes</b>				
Burglary	670	638	-4.8%	-32
Motor Veh. Theft	585	778	33.0%	193
Larceny (Theft)	2,987	2,907	-2.7%	-80
Arson	48	42	-12.5%	-6
<b>Total</b>	<b>4290</b>	<b>4365</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,016</b>	<b>5,108</b>	<b>1.83%</b>	<b>92</b>

## Homicides

The Oxnard Police Department investigated eight (8) homicides<sup>1</sup> in 2020. Six (6) of the eight (8) homicides were acquaintance related. One (1) of the eight (8) homicides was gang related. In comparison, four (4) were gang related in 2019. Of the eight (8) homicides, four (4) involved a firearm and four (4) involved a knife.

Homicide Weapons	2020
Firearm	4
Knife	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

Regarding the victim-offender relationship surrounding the homicides, six homicides were acquaintances, one (1) was gang related and one (1) was stranger related.

Homicide Victim-Offender Relationship	2020
Acquaintance	6
Gang	1
Stranger	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

Eight (8) homicides occurred during the calendar year of 2020. Six (6) homicide offenses were cleared. Five (5) of those offenses occurred in 2020 and one (1) case occurred in 2019.

Clearances	2020
Homicides	8
Arrests	6
<b>Clearance Rate</b>	<b>75.0%</b>

## Rape

For purposes of crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define rape as *“penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.”* Based on the reporting criteria, the Oxnard Police Department reported 81 offenses to the FBI.

Rape	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
Rape	63	79	25.4%	16
Attempted Rape	0	2	-- <sup>2</sup>	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>28.6%</b>	<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> For crime classification and reporting purposes, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define homicide as *“the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.”*

<sup>2</sup> The percent change calculation is based on the equation  $[(y2 - y1)/y1] \times 100$ . Because  $y1 = 0$ , percent change cannot be calculated where there were no reported offenses for the prior year.

### **Robbery**

For crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice define robbery as *“the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence or by putting the victim in fear.”*

<b>Robbery</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Num. Diff.</b>
<b>Type</b>				
Business	77	68	-11.7%	-9
Person	174	172	-1.1%	-2
Carjacking	24	34	41.7%	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>-1</b>

The number of robberies decreased from 275 in 2019 to 274 in 2020. This category exhibited a decrease in robbery to a business and robbery to a person, but increased in Carjacking. Regarding carjacking, there were ten (10) more carjacking crimes reported in 2020 as compared to 2019.

Regarding robbery to a business and robbery to a person, there were eleven (11) fewer crimes reported in 2020 as compared to 2019.

### **Aggravated Assault**

For purposes of crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define aggravated assault as *“an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault involves a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.”*

<b>Agg. Assaults</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Num. Diff.</b>
<b>Firearm</b>	98	113	15.3%	15
<b>Knife</b>	142	141	-0.7%	-1
<b>Other Weapon</b>	112	104	-7.1%	-8
<b>F/F/H</b>	22	22	0.0%	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>6</b>

Aggravated assaults increased by 1.6% with 6 more aggravated assaults in 2020 as compared to 2019 statistics. The aggravated assaults category is broad. The relationships between the victim and suspect(s) are broken down as follows:

Assault Relationship Types	2020
RANDOM	159
DOMESTIC/FAMILY	63
TRANSIENT-RELATED	31
ACQUAINTANCE	28
GROUP	23
LEOKA	20
GANG/TAGGER	19
NEIGHBORS	15
ROOMMATES	13
ROAD RAGE	9
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>380</b>

### **Burglary**

For purposes of crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define burglary as “*the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.*” Burglaries decreased by 4.8%, 32 fewer crimes. The reduction involved residential burglaries 19.9%, 74 fewer crimes. Commercial burglaries increased 14.1%, 42 more crimes.

Burglary	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
Residential	372	298	-19.9%	-74
Commercial	298	340	14.1%	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>-4.8%</b>	<b>-32</b>

### **Larceny (Thefts)**

For purposes of crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define larceny as “*an unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another.*”

Larcenies	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
<b>Shoplift</b>	714	724	1.4%	10
<b>From Motor Veh</b>	1096	1019	-7.0%	-77
<b>Motor Veh Parts</b>	316	377	19.3%	61
<b>Bicycles</b>	151	133	-11.9%	-18
<b>From Building</b>	241	162	-32.8%	-79
<b>Coin Op Machines</b>	7	14	100.0%	7
<b>Pocket Picking</b>	4	8	100.0%	4
<b>Purse Snatch</b>	2	2	0.0%	0
<b>All Other</b>	456	468	2.6%	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,987</b>	<b>2,907</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>	<b>-80</b>

The crime category of larceny (theft) decreased by 2.7% overall. There were 2,987 larcenies reported during the calendar year 2019 and 2,907 during 2020, a decrease of 80 incidents.

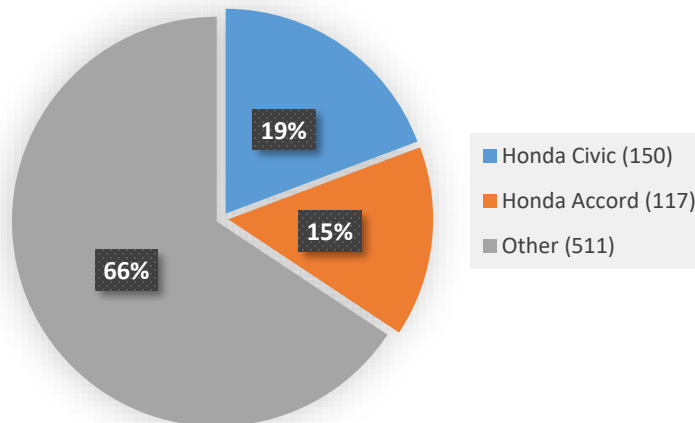
**Motor Vehicle Theft**

For crime classification and reporting purposes, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define motor vehicle theft as “*the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.*” A motor vehicle is defined as a self-propelled vehicle that runs on land or surface. Motor vehicle thefts have been challenging in the City of Oxnard.

Motor Vehicle Theft	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
Auto / SUV	428	605	41.4%	177
Truck / Buses	146	147	0.7%	1
Other Veh (M/C)	11	26	136.4%	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>33.0%</b>	<b>193</b>

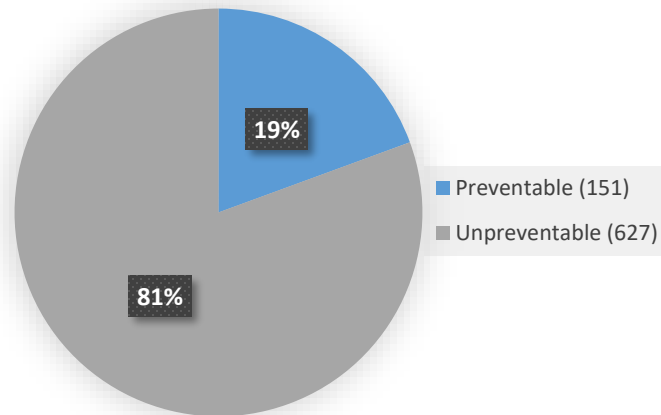
Motor vehicle theft increased by 33%. There were 585 motor vehicle thefts reported during the calendar year 2019 and 778 during 2020, 193 more crimes. Many of these vehicle thefts were still preventable. Approximately 19%, or 151 car thefts, were considered preventable in 2020.

**Top Stolen Vehicles, 2020**



Top Stolen Vehicles	2020
Honda Civic	150
Honda Accord	117
<b>Total</b>	<b>778</b>

### Stolen Vehicles MO, 2020



Stolen MO	2020
Preventable	151
Unpreventable	627

### Arson

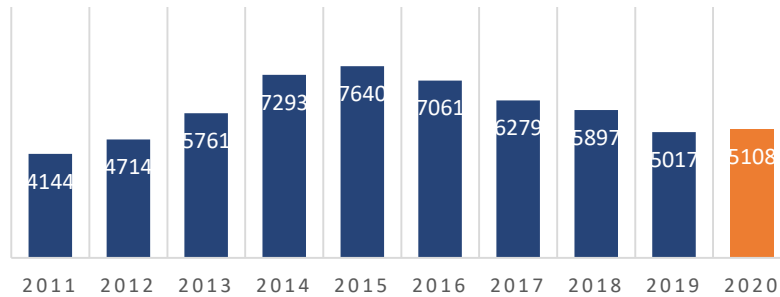
For purposes of crime classification and reporting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice define arson as “any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.”

Arson	2019	2020	Percent Change	Num. Diff.
Residential	2	3	50.0%	1
Other Residential	4	3	-25.0%	-1
Storage	0	1	--	1
Other Commercial	3	4	33.3%	1
Community / Public	3	5	66.7%	2
All Other Structure	3	5	66.7%	2
Motor Vehicle	18	14	-22.2%	-4
Other Mobile	1	3	200.0%	2
Other	14	4	-71.4%	-10
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-12.5%</b>	<b>-6</b>

During 2020, there were 42 reported arson incidents compared to 48 in 2019, a decrease of 12.5%, 6 fewer crimes. The Oxnard Police Department saw decreases in other residential (1 fewer) and motor vehicle arsons (4 fewer), with the highest decrease occurring in other arsons (10 fewer).

**A Final Look at UCR 2020**

**UCR PART 1 CRIMES, 2011-2020**



Change, 2010-2020	7.4% total increase
Change, 10 Years (2011-2020)	18.9% total increase
Change, 5 Years (2016-2020)	-38.2% total decrease

Through all the ups and downs of 2020, the police department and the community managed to keep the overall UCR crime rate down to a 1.83% increase from 2019, or 91 more crimes. The final number of total UCR 2020 reportable crimes, 5108, is the 4th lowest reported crime year in the last 10 years (2011-2020).

Moving into 2021, the Oxnard Police Department will be reporting crime through the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). NIBRS collects and presents data from more than 50 offenses. Future press releases will contain data from NIBRS<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>3</sup> 2021 will also contain approximately a half a year of UCR data. This will be determined based on the final implementation of NIBRS.