

## Criminal Incidents at Postsecondary Institutions

### Key Findings:

- In 2011, there were a total of 30,401 criminal incidents reported at postsecondary institutions, representing a 5 percent decrease from 2010 and a 27 percent decrease from 2001.
- The number of reported forcible sex crimes on college campuses increased by 52 percent between 2001 and 2011, only to be exceeded by the increase in drug violations (75 percent) during this same period.

### Selected Major Crime Statistics:

Crime Category	Reported Incidents, 2001	Reported Incidents, 2006	Reported Incidents, 2011	Percent Change 2001/2011
Liquor law violations	27,421	34,919	32,855	+ 19.8%
Drug law violations	11,854	13,952	20,729	+ 74.9%
Burglary	26,904	31,260	19,488	< 27.6% >
Motor vehicle theft	6,221	5,231	3,373	< 45.8% >
Sex offenses - forcible	2,201	2,670	3,334	+ 51.5%
Aggravated assault	2,947	2,817	2,211	< 25.0% >
Robbery	1,663	1,547	1,292	< 22.3% >
Illegal weapons possession	1,073	1,316	1,028	< 4.2% >

Source: Digest of Education Statistics 2013, Table 329.10

### Sector Specifics:

- Of the total crimes reported in 2011, 35% were at 4-year private nonprofit institutions and 48.3% were at 4-year public institutions. However, four-year private nonprofits experienced a larger overall decrease in incidents over the last decade.

Total Reported Crime Incidents	Reported Incidents, 2001	Reported Incidents, 2006	Reported Incidents, 2011	Percent Change 2001/2011
4-Year Private Nonprofit	14,844	16,864	10,742	< 27.6% >
4-Year Public	18,710	20,648	14,679	< 21.5% >

Source: Digest of Education Statistics 2013, Table 329.10

- While the number of reported forcible sex crimes on across postsecondary institutions increased by 52 percent between 2001 and 2011, 4-year private nonprofit institutions experienced a 72% increase in the reporting of these crimes as compared to 4-year public institutions at 31%.
- Further, of the 3,344 total forcible sex crimes reported in 2011, 91% occurred at 4-year institutions with 4-year private nonprofit institutions accounting for 42% of the total and 4-year public institutions accounting for 49%.

Reported Sex Offenses – Forcible Incidents	Reported Incidents, 2001	Reported Incidents, 2006	Reported Incidents, 2011	Percent Change 2001/2011
4-Year Private Nonprofit	820	1,080	1,406	+ 71.5%
4-Year Public	1,245	1,400	1,630	+ 30.9%

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- More crimes were committed at institutions with residence halls than at institutions without residence halls.
  - At 4-year private nonprofit institutions, 61 percent (6,538) of the total 10,742 on-campus crimes reported in 2011 occurred in residence halls.
  - At 4-year public institutions, 49 percent (7,189) of the total 14,679 on-campus crimes reported in 2011 occurred in residence halls.