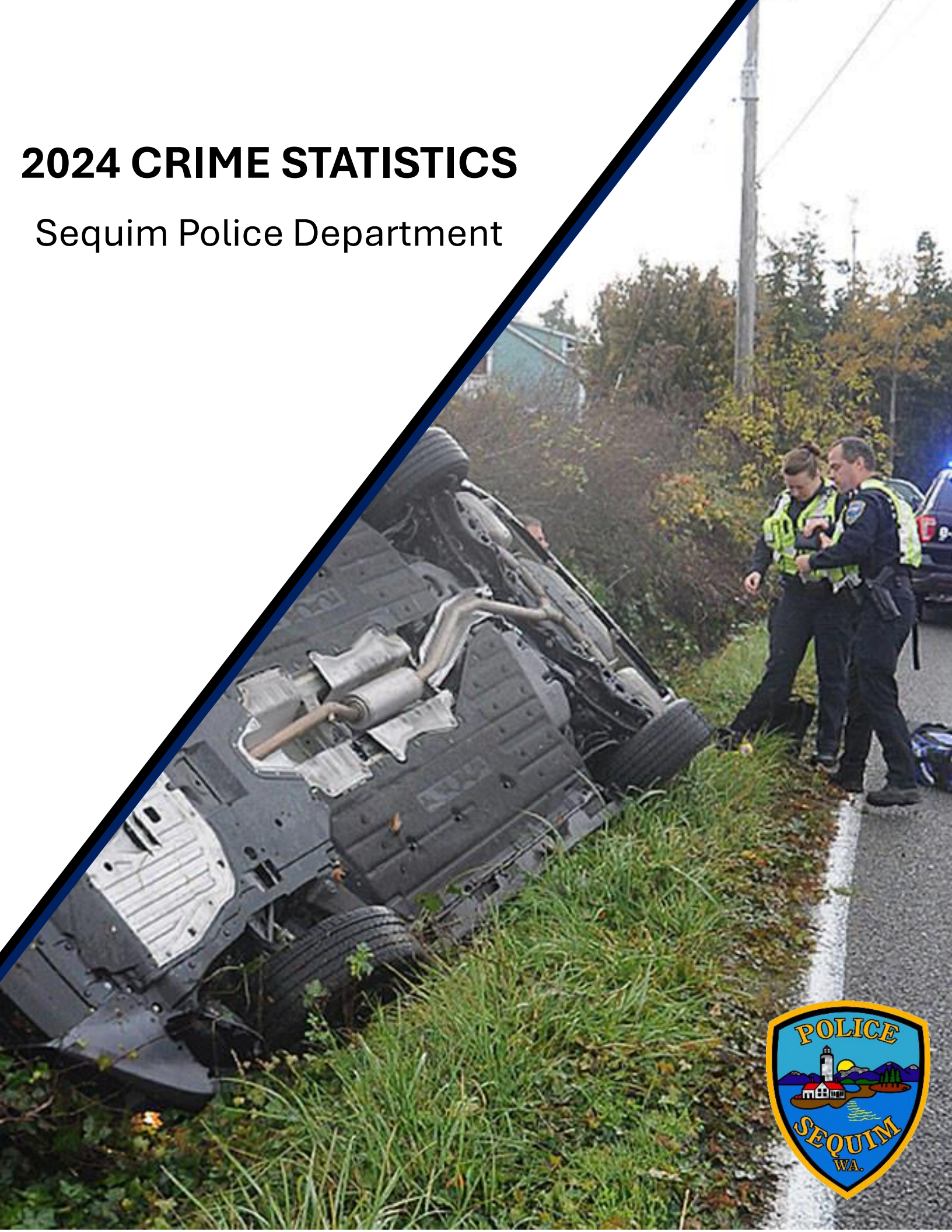
2024 CRIME STATISTICS

Sequim Police Department



MESSAGE FROM CHIEF MIKE HILL

As you may recall, we released the initial Sequim Police Department 2024 Annual Report earlier this year. It contained preliminary crime data, as we awaited the publishing of the FBI National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime statistics, which occurs annually in the fall. Those detailed statistics are now available, and I am pleased to provide you with an updated analysis as part of this supplemental report. The update confirms the preliminary crime data was accurate.

In our ongoing commitment to transparency and accountability, it is reassuring to communicate that the overall crime in Sequim has steadily declined. This positive trend is largely attributable to significant decreases in weapon law violations, drug offenses, and aggravated assaults. We owe these successes to the diligent work of our police department and the community's cooperation.

Conversely, there has been an uptick in vandalism and theft cases. It is important to note that many vandalism incidents involved juveniles who were subsequently identified. Shoplifting represents a substantial portion of the reported thefts. Rest assured, our department is proactively addressing these issues through various proactive and preventive measures.

I am proud to report the decrease in crimes against persons, which remain significantly lower compared to crimes against property. This reinforces our commitment to the safety of our community. For a more comprehensive understanding of the crime statistics, you can explore the full Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) report on Crime in Washington, 2024 (link provided below).

We remain steadfast in our mission to partner with our community in preserving the peace and reducing the incidence of crime for everyone who lives, works, and visits in our city.



Mike Hill
Chief of Police

WASPC CRIME IN WASHINGTON (LINK)

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CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES

All offenses are classified based on law enforcement investigation in accordance with national Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) offense definitions and are not necessarily identical to the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) or local ordinance definitions.

The National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) divides offenses into two (2) categories designated as: Group A - Incident & Group and Group B - Arrest Only. Because UCR identifies and tallies *law enforcement* contact, offense classifications are not based on filings of the prosecutor, court, medical examiner, jury, or other judicial or subsequent findings.

OBJECTIVES OF THE WA STATE UCR PROGRAM

The primary objective of the ***Crime in Washington 2024*** is to implement and administer a uniform system of collecting crime and arrest data from contributing law enforcement agencies in WA and present the information in complete, accurate, and timely method for the contributors and users of the data.

Individuals using the tabulations in the ***Crime in Washington 2024*** are cautioned against drawing conclusions by making direct comparisons between cities and/or counties due to the existence of numerous factors which affect the amount and type of crime from place to place. It is important to remember crime is a social problem and therefore, a concern of the entire community. The efforts of law enforcement are limited to factors within its control.

WA ASSOC. OF SHERIFF'S AND POLICE CHIEFS (WASPC) STATISTICS – CITY OF SEQUIM

Group A Offenses	Reported 2023	Reported 2024	% of Change	Crime Rate per 1,000	Total Arrests	DV Offense Totals
Murder	0	0		0.0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0		0.0	0	0
Rape	11	6	-45.5%	0.7	1	4
Sodomy	0	0		0.0	0	0
Sexual Assault w/Object	1	0	-100.0%	0.0	0	0
Fondling	3	3	0.0%	0.4	2	1
Aggravated Assault	20	6	-70.0%	0.7	5	2
Simple Assault	57	54	-5.3%	6.4	29	18
Intimidation	6	6	0.0%	0.7	2	0
Kidnapping	0	1		0.1	2	0
Incest	0	0		0.0	0	0
Statutory Rape	2	2	0.0%	0.2	1	1
Human Trafficking Offenses	0	0		0.0	0	0
Violation of No Contact/Protect.	19	23	21.1%	2.7	12	20
Robbery	4	2	-50.0%	0.2	1	1
Burglary	20	19	-5.0%	2.3	8	1
Larceny-Theft Offenses	140	157	12.1%	18.7	86	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	14	7	-50.0%	0.8	1	0
Arson	1	0	-100.0%	0.0	0	0
Destruction of Property	70	80	14.3%	9.5	17	12
Counterfeiting/Forgery	10	10	0.0%	1.2	4	0
Fraud Offenses	6	7	16.7%	0.8	1	0
Embezzlement	0	0		0.0	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	-100.0%	0.0	0	0
Bribery	0	0		0.0	0	0
Stolen Property Offenses	3	2	-33.3%	0.2	2	0
Animal Cruelty	1	0	-100.0%	0.0	0	0
Drug/Narcotic Violations	34	17	-50.0%	2.0	9	0
Drug Equipment Violations	0	0		0.0	0	0
Gambling Offenses	0	0		0.0	0	0
Pornography	2	2	0.0%	0.2	0	0
Prostitution Offenses	0	0		0.0	0	0
Weapon Law Violations	31	11	-64.5%	1.3	1	0
Grand Total	**456**	**415**	**-9.0%**	49.4	**184**	**61**