

**REPORT OF THE  
CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST**

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DATE: March 13, 2003

TO: The Honorable Members of the Burglar Alarm Task Force

FROM: Ronald F. Deaton, Chair *RFD*  
Chief Legislative Analyst *for*

**STATUS REPORT ON LAPD BURGLARY STATISTICS**

On March 7, 2003, our office issued a report relative to other municipalities that have adopted visual verification requirements in response to the activation of commercial and residential alarms. The report also included burglary statistics for Las Vegas, Nevada and Salt Lake City, Utah, which are two of the larger cities that have adopted the policy. During the course of the previous meeting, our office was also requested to present the burglary statistics for the City of Los Angeles.

For your review, please see the attached chart of LAPD burglary statistics from 1985 through 2001. In order to ensure consistency, the information was obtained from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics with the exception of 2001, which was obtained directly from the department.

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BURGLARY STATISTICS <sup>1</sup>**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>MONTHS REPORTING</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>RATE PER 100,000 POP.</b>
1985	12	3,186,459	63,961	2,007.3
1986	12	3,260,856	64,199	1,968.8
1987	12	3,341,726	52,926	1,583.8
1988	12	3,402,342	50,987	1,498.6
1989	12	3,441,449	51,208	1,488.0
1990	12	3,485,398	51,481	1,477.1
1991	12	3,558,316	57,459	1,614.8
1992	12	3,615,355	57,769	1,597.9
1993	12	3,525,317	50,232	1,424.9
1994	12	3,550,381	43,534	1,226.2
1995	12	3,466,211	41,324	1,192.2
1996	12	3,498,139	35,866	1,025.3
1997	12	3,541,309	30,197	852.7
1998	12	3,621,680	26,065	719.7
1999	12	3,650,138	21,521	589.6
2000	12	3,694,820	24,423	661.0
*2001	12	3,865,000	25,695	664.8

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics.

\* Data for 2001 was obtained from the Los Angeles Police Department.

**LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BURGLARY STATISTICS <sup>2</sup>**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>MONTHS REPORTING</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL BURGLARIES</b>	<b>RATE PER 100,000 POP.</b>
1985	12	456,749	9,975	2,183.9
1986	12	463,158	9,077	1,959.8
1987	12	481,393	9,395	1,951.6
1988	12	510,941	8,965	1,754.6
1989	12	536,148	9,019	1,682.2
1990	12	616,243	10,176	1,651.3
1991	12	656,391	10,743	1,636.7
1992	12	678,385	10,337	1,523.8
1993	12	717,441	9,783	1,363.6
1994	12	752,577	11,657	1,548.9
1995	12	793,432	12,219	1,540.0
1996	12	831,303	11,656	1,402.1
1997	10	869,696	10,990	1,263.7
1998	12	908,596	11,428	1,257.8
1999	12	922,450	10,130	1,098.2
2000	12	1,060,541	9,535	899.1
2001	12	1,148,350	10,083	878.04

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics. Data for 2001 was obtained directly from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

**SALT LAKE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BURGLARY STATISTICS<sup>3</sup>**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>MONTHS REPORTING</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>RATE PER 100,000 POP.</b>
1985	12	164,216	4,002	2,437.0
1986	12	166,182	3,714	2,234.9
1987	12	159,839	3,997	2,500.6
1988	12	162,005	3,594	2,218.5
1989	12	154,304	3,854	2,497.7
1990	12	159,936	3,501	2,189.0
1991	12	164,313	3,460	2,105.7
1992	12	168,304	3,394	2,016.6
1993	12	170,380	2,823	1,656.9
1994	12	174,827	3,025	1,730.3
1995	12	175,765	2,950	1,678.4
1996	12	180,180	3,015	1,673.3
1997	12	185,553	2,911	1,568.8
1998	12	178,579	2,831	1,585.3
1999	12	177,010	2,244	1,267.7
2000	12	181,743	2,169	1,193.4
2001	12	181,700	2,202	1211.8

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics. Data for 2001 was obtained directly from the Salt Lake City Police Department.