



Lakeview Crime Prevention District MAY 2025 Crime Newsletter

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**“Any Crime is a
Crime Too
Many”**



In May 2025, the New Orleans Police Department investigated 1,209 uniform crimes in the City of New Orleans. The 3rd Police District saw 122 incidents. Eight (08) incidents occurred in the Lakeview Crime Prevention District area.

	NOPD	3rd District	Lakeview
Offense Category	Count of Incidents		
Persons	195	19	0
Murder	9	1	0
Agg. Battery	48	3	0
Agg. Assault,/Damage	60	7	0
Agg. Rape	19	3	0
Simple Rape	19	2	0
Armed Robbery	18	1	0
Simple Robbery	22	2	0
Property	1014	103	8
Agg. Burglary	11	0	0
Simple Burglary	34	4	0
Business Burglary	21	2	0
Vehicle Burglary	149	12	2
Residence Burglary	32	4	0
Theft	290	31	2
Auto Theft	271	30	3
Shoplifting	206	20	1
Total	1209	122	8

Nonviolent property crimes, such as auto burglary and theft, accounted for 63.3% of Lakeview's property crimes in 2024, and currently accounts for 40% of the Lakeview crimes reported in 2025. Vehicles are generally targeted because of accessibility. In a significant number of cases, the vehicles were found unlocked when the crimes occurred. Multiple stolen vehicles were taken with the key or key fob the offender either found inside of the targeted vehicle or an adjacent vehicle parked nearby.

To help reduce crime and improve neighborhood safety, please remove all keys, guns, wallets, purses, and expensive items from your vehicles on a daily basis. Lock your vehicle doors every day. These simple steps can prevent you from being a victim and enhance community safety.



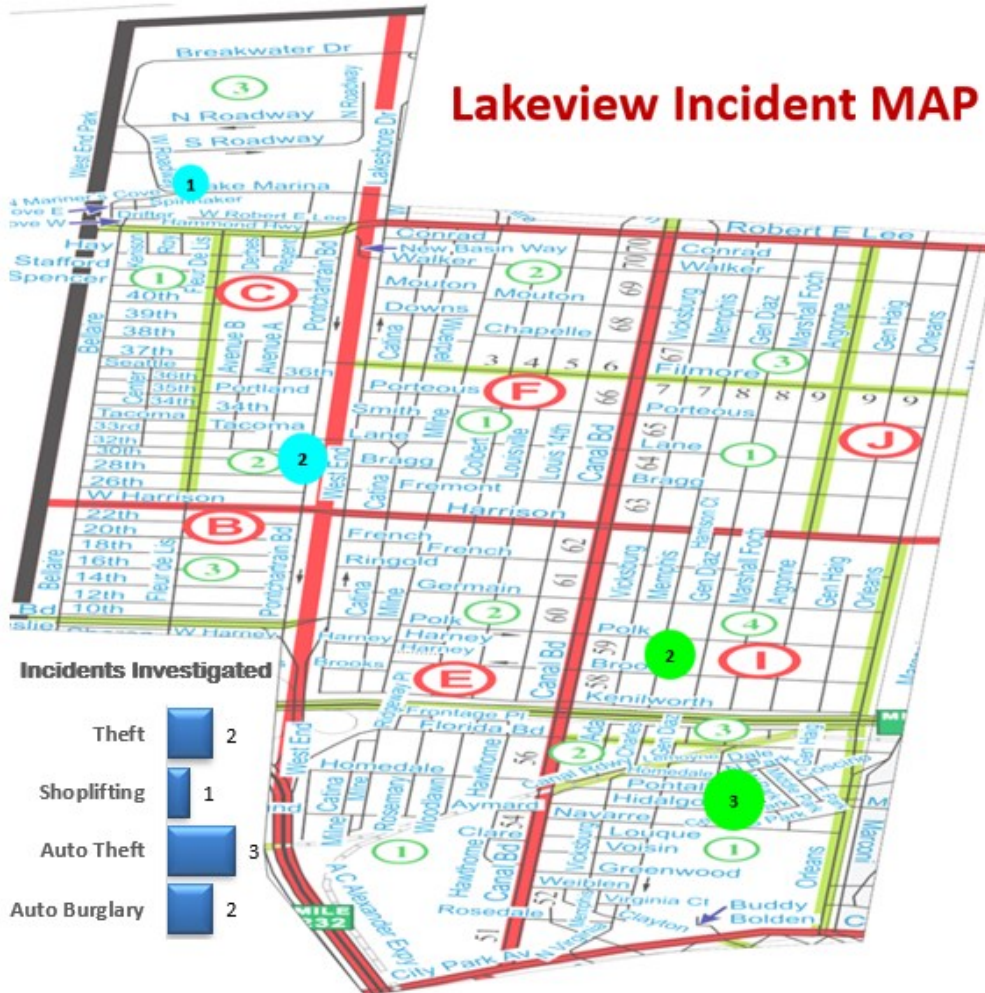
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INVESTIGATIONS

Lakeview Crime Trend Information

The New Orleans Police Department investigated eight (08) incidents in Lakeview for the entire report month.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



- MURDER
- RAPE
- AGG BATTERY / ASSAULT
- ARMED ROBBERY—GUN
- ARMED ROBBERY—KNIFE
- OTHER ROBBERY
- PROPERTY SNATCHING
- AGG / SIMPLE BURGLARY
- RESIDENCE BURGLARY
- BUSINESS BURGLARY
- AUTO THEFT
- AUTO BURGLARY / THEFT
- THEFT
- PICKPOCKET
- SHOPLIFTING

Day of Occurrence





AUTO BURGLARY INVESTIGATIONS

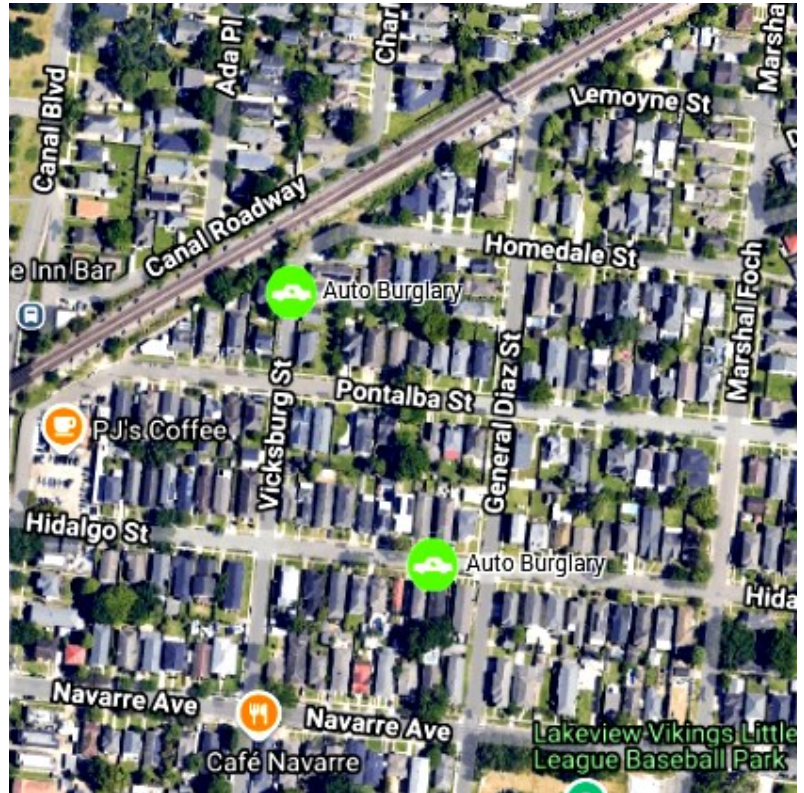
Property Crimes Incident Summary

The New Orleans Police Department investigated two (02) auto burglary incident in Lakeview during the report month whereby three unlocked vehicles were targeted.

On Saturday, May 23, 2025 at around 12:00 a.m., a black computer bag containing ear-phones and charging cords were stolen from a black 2024 Kia Sorrento parked in the 800 block of Hidalgo street. No signs of forced entry observed.

On Saturday, May 23, 2025 at around 03:00 a.m., a white 2012 Toyota Rav 4 and a gray 2012 Honda Civic were searched while parked in the 5600 block of Vicksburg Street. No property was stolen. No signs of forced entry observed.

Year to date, nine auto burglary incidents were investigated in Lakeview compared to thirty incidents the previous year. For the first five months of 2025, auto burglary incidents are down 70% in Lakeview.



The New Orleans Police Department investigated one hundred and forty-nine (149) auto burglary incidents citywide during the report month. Twelve (12) incidents occurred in the 3rd District; two (02) incident occurred in Lakeview. Auto Burglary accounts for **18%** of the crimes investigated in Lakeview **year to date**.





AUTO THEFT INVESTIGATIONS

Property Crimes Incident Summary

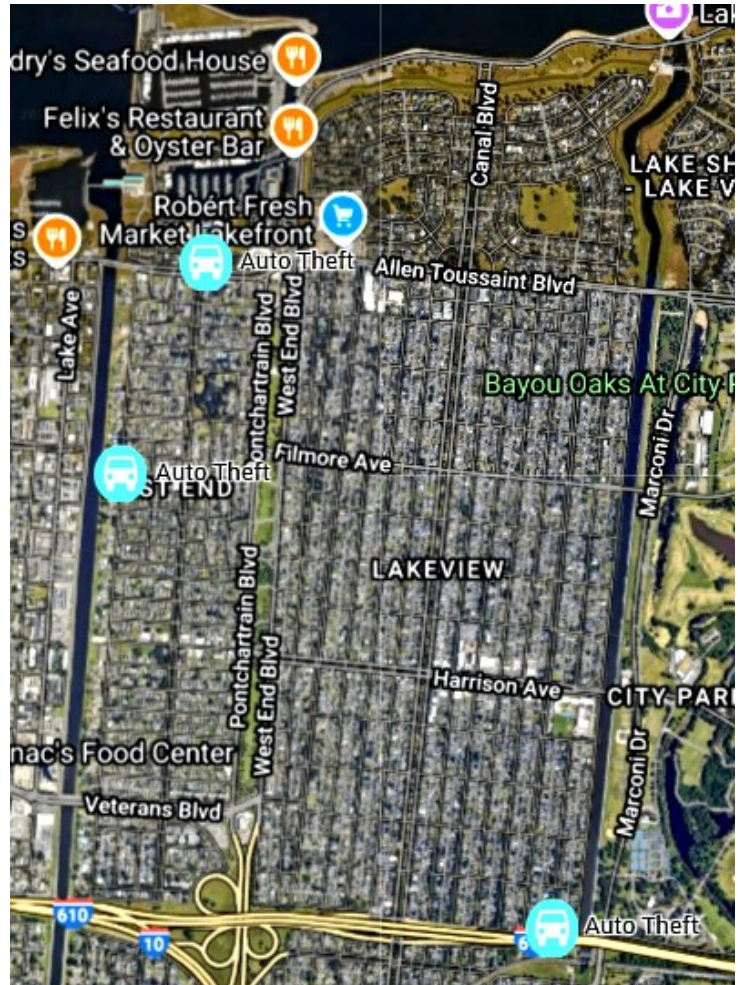
The New Orleans Police Department investigated three (03) auto theft incidents in Lakeview during the report month.

On Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:30 p.m., the victim parked a gray 2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee, bearing Louisiana license plate 895FOO, in the 6600 block of Bellaire Drive. On Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., the victim discovered the vehicle was missing. A black Smith & Wesson 9mm handgun was inside the vehicle when it was stolen. The vehicle has not been recovered.

On Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 2:00 a.m., a black 2017 Jeep Grand Cherokee, bearing Louisiana license plate 986FQH, was stolen from the 200 block of W. Robert E Lee Blvd. The Jeep was found unoccupied several hours later at W. Robert E. Lee Blvd and Regent St. where it was processed for evidence and released to the victim.

On Friday, May 23, 2025 at around 4:30 a.m., a gray 2016 Chrysler 300 vehicle, bearing Louisiana license plate 463HPC, was stolen from the 5800 block of General Haig St. The vehicle has not been recovered.

Year to date, eleven auto theft incidents were investigated in Lakeview compared to twenty-eight incidents the previous year. For the first five months of 2025, auto theft incidents are down 61% in Lakeview.



The New Orleans Police Department investigated two hundred and seventy-one (271) auto theft incidents citywide during the report month. Thirty (30) incidents occurred in the 3rd District; three (03) incident occurred in Lakeview. Auto Theft accounts for 22% of the crimes investigated in Lakeview year to date.





SHOPLIFTING INVESTIGATIONS

Property Crimes Incident Summary

The New Orleans Police Department investigated one (01) shoplifting incident in Lakeview during the report month.

On Sunday, May 11, 2025 at 4:18 p.m., an unknown white male removed a plasma lighter from the shelf at the Discount Zone, located in the 800 block of Harrison Avenue, and placed the item in his pants pocket. The male proceeded to checkout and paid for another item but failed to pay for the lighter before exiting the store and driving off in a brown 2016 Honda Accord bearing Louisiana license plate 501HLK.

Through a follow-up investigation, the male was identified.

On Tuesday, May 13, 2025, a warrant was issued for the arrest of Mr. Forrest Merrell, W/M, born 3/18/89.

On Saturday, May 21, 2025, Mr. Merrell was located, arrested, and charged with theft in the amount of \$28.



Year to date, NOPD conducted four shoplifting investigations in Lakeview compared to four incidents the previous year. For the first five months of 2025, there has been no significant crime trend differential in this category, however, one case has been solved, resulting in a 25% clearance rate.

The New Orleans Police Department investigated two hundred and six (206) shoplifting incidents citywide during the report month. Twenty (20) incidents occurred in the 3rd District; one (01) incident occurred in Lakeview. **Shoplifting** accounts for **8%** of the





THEFT INVESTIGATIONS

Property Crimes Incident Summary

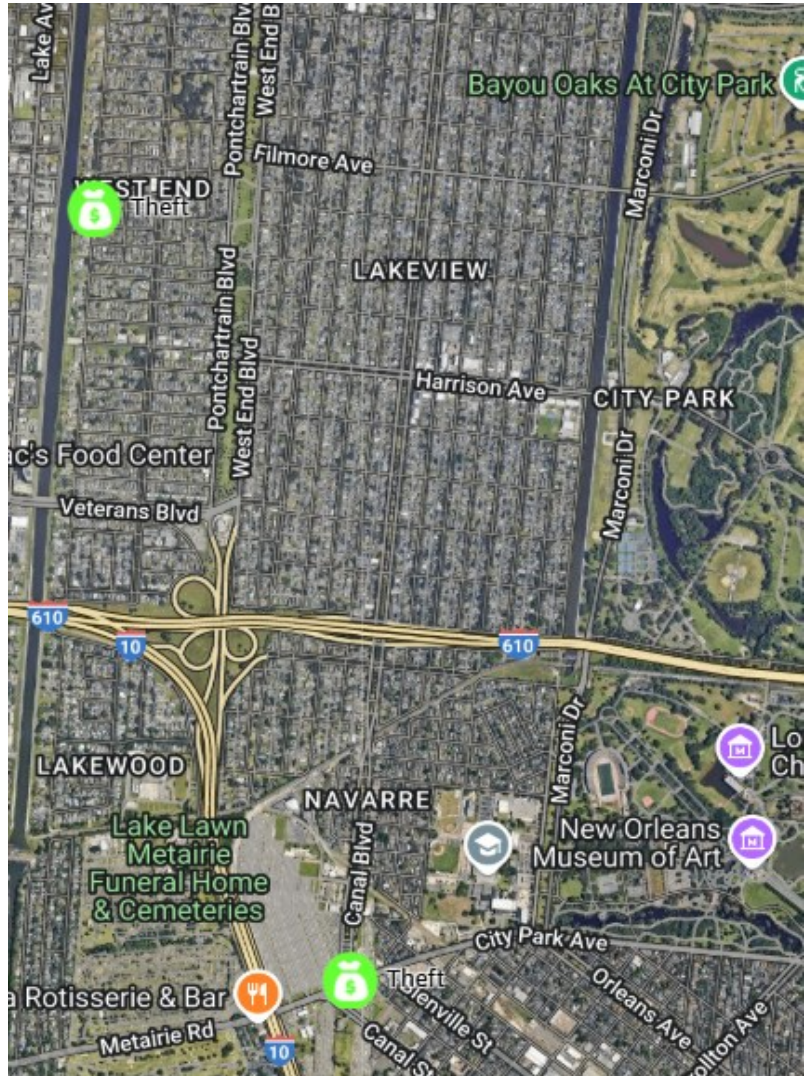
The New Orleans Police Department investigated two (02) theft incidents in Lakeview during the report month.

On Thursday, May 01, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., the victim discovered his red Schwinn bicycle trailer (\$400 value) was missing from the yard. Video footage revealed that around 10:37 a.m., an unknown white male wearing blue jeans, a gray shirt, and a tan baseball cap, arrived on a black mountain bike and stole the trailer.

On Saturday, May 17, 2025 at around 7:53 p.m., an unknown black male stole money from a tip jar at Buds Broiler. The suspect made a purchase with a credit card prior to the theft. A follow-up investigation may lead to an arrest.

Year to date, the NOPD has investigated fifteen theft incidents in Lakeview, up from eight the previous year. Theft incidents have nearly doubled in the first five months of 2025, with Lakeview experiencing an 88% spike in this category.

Four 2025 theft investigations resulted in arrests, providing a clearance rate of 27%.



The New Orleans Police Department investigated two hundred and ninety (290) theft incidents citywide during the report month. Thirty-one (31) incidents occurred in the 3rd District; two (02) incidents occurred in Lakeview. Theft accounts for 30% of the crimes investigated in Lakeview year to date.





Lakeview 2025

Year to Date Incident Summary

Case Clearance Data

Response Time Information

Safety Tips

Report Summary

Crime Trend Data & Commentary



Lakeview 2025 Year to Date Incident Summary

Year to date, NOPD investigated a total of fifty (50) UCR incidents in the Lakeview area. Overall, 19 of the 50 cases were solved, resulting in a 38%.

AUTO BURGLARY

9 - Incidents

4 - Cases cleared by Arrest



AUTO THEFT

11 - Incidents; 5 vehicles recovered

3 Cases cleared by arrest.



THEFT

15 - Incidents:

4 Cases Cleared by Arrest



BURGLARY

7 - Incidents; 3 Cases Cleared by Warrant



SHOPLIFTING

4 - Incident; 1 Case cleared by arrest.



AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

2 - incidents Solved - 1 (Domestic Case Cleared by Warrant)

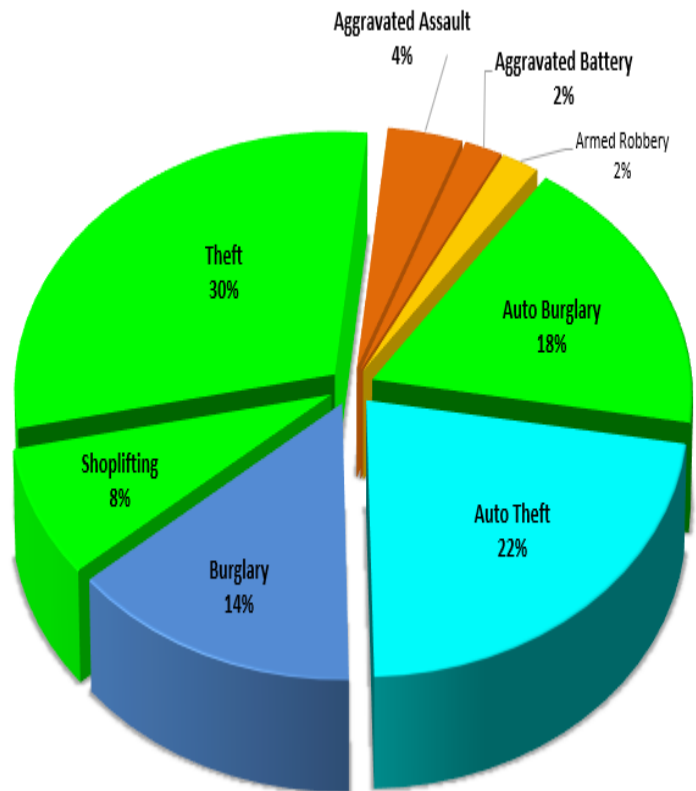


AGGRAVATED BATTERY

1 - Case Cleared by Arrest



Auto Burglary and Auto Theft combined account for 40% of the crimes investigated in Lakeview Year to Date.

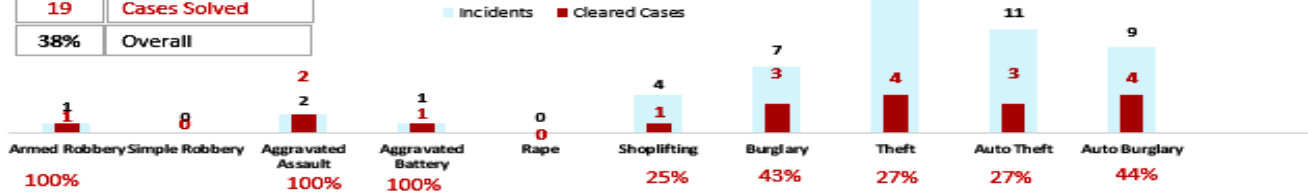




Lakeview 2025 Year to Date Case Clearance Summary

2025 Lakeview Cleared Cases

50	Investigations
19	Cases Solved
38%	Overall



Item#	Type of Investigation	DATE OCCURRED	Day	Location of Occurrence	Accused Subjects' Information
A0856325	Aggravated Assault	1/10/2025	Friday	6458 Fleur De Lis Blvd	Dominic Delay Jr., b/m, 08-19-02
C1535325	Aggravated Assault	3/16/2025	Sunday	760 Harrison Avenue	Rodrick Natteel, b/m, 8-11-77
C0098025	Aggravated Battery	3/1/2025	Saturday	716 Voisin Street	Justin Jones, w/m, 02-05-2004
D0623425	Armed Robbery	4/6/2025	Sunday	5151 Cannal Blvd	Dewitt Madison b/m, 2-21-83
A0376125	Auto Burglary	1/5/2025	Sunday	Lemoyne / Marshal Foc	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
A2339625	Auto Burglary	1/26/2025	Wednesday	800 Pontalba St.	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
B0111425	Auto Burglary	2/2/2025	Sunday	5600 Blk Marshal Foch	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
B0297525	Auto Burglary	2/2/2025	Sunday	800 Blk Pontalba Street	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
B0115025	Auto Theft	2/2/2025	Sunday	100 Blk Middle Park Pl.	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
B2637325	Auto Theft	2/2/2025		100 Middle Park Place	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
C1090525	Auto Theft	3/12/2025	Wednesday	6800 Milne Blvd	Known B/M Juvenile, age 15
A1707025	Residence Burglary	1/17/2025	Friday	7816 Breakwater Drive	Jody Schneide, w/f, 11-25-70
C2420025	Residence Burglary	3/15/2025	Saturday	835 Pontalba Street	Chanell Westfall, w/f, 2-16-92
D2549725	Residence Burglary	4/26/2025	Saturday	7706 Breakwater Drive	Adam Kellum, w/m, 10-30-87
E1125425	Shoplifting	5/11/2025		932 Harrison Ave	Forrest Merrell, w/m, 3/18/89
A0384825	Theft	1/5/2025	Sunday	6876 Genaral Diaz St.	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
A0389925	Theft	1/5/2025	Sunday	912 Germain St.	Roger Southall, b/m, 02-27-93
A1606625	Theft	1/18/2025	Saturday	6664 Pontchartrain Blvc	Alfred Potier, w/m, 05-11-82
C2183225	Theft	3/22/2025	Sunday	8600 Pontchartrain Blvc	Michael Duplantier, w/m, 04-23-80

PROPERTY CRIME INVESTIGATIONS

The New Orleans Police Departments 3rd District Property Crimes Unit solved 15 of 46 Lakeview property crimes year to date, providing a 33% clearance rate.

Auto Burglary and Auto Theft accounts for 40% of the property crimes investigated in Lakeview year to date. All targeted vehicles were unlocked when the crimes occurred. The eleven stolen vehicles were possibly taken with a key the perpetrator located inside the target or an adjacent vehicle parked nearby. Five of the stolen vehicles have been recovered and returned to the owners.

PERSONS CRIME INVESTIGATIONS

Year to Date, The New Orleans Police Department investigated four (04) "Persons" crimes in the Lakeview area. All four incidents were solved, providing a 100% clearance rate.





Lakeview Priority Call Police Response Times

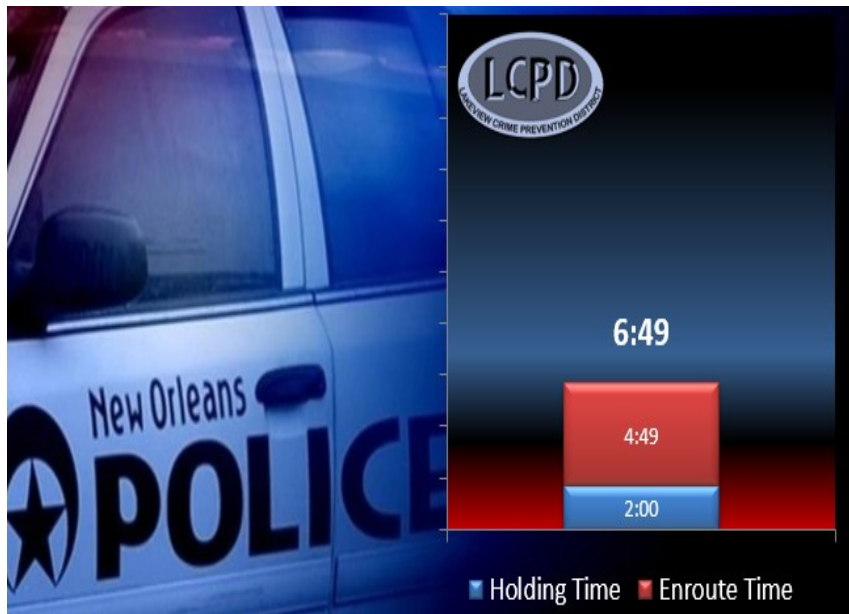
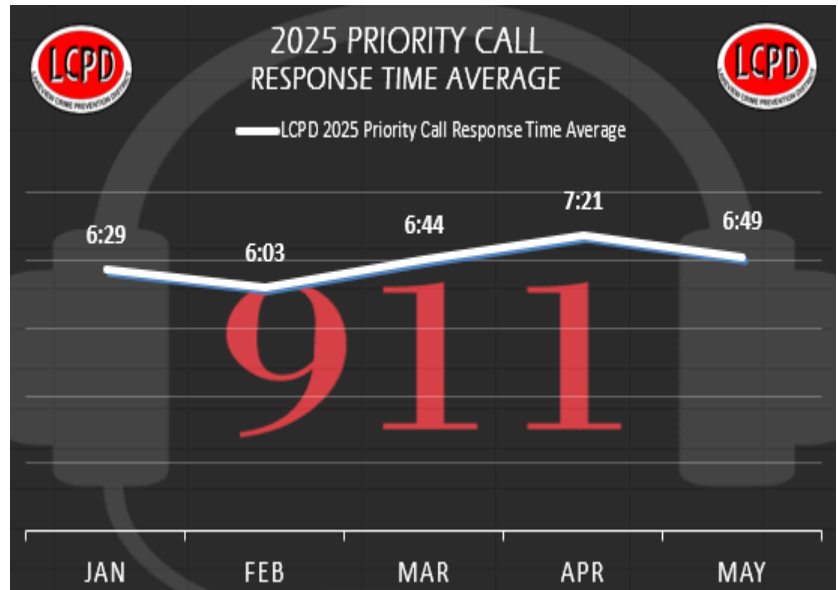
HOLDING TIME— Represents the time the Orleans Parish Communication District call taker / operator receives the complaint information for dispatch, to the time the actual complaint is assigned to a patrol unit in the field.

ENROUTE TIME—The time the officer is assigned the call from the dispatcher, to time of arrival.

Lakeview Crime Prevention District Officers were the first to arrive on scene in 32 of 60 priority calls for service dispatched in Lakeview during the report month. LCPD provided an average response time of **6 minutes** and **49 seconds**.

LCPD Officers "Enroute Time" averaged 4 minutes and 49 seconds.

The Orleans Parish Communication District's average complaint "**Holding Time**" prior to dispatch was approximately **2 minutes** and **00 seconds**.



Third District Officers and other support units were the first to arrive on scene in 28 of the 60 dispatched priority calls for service in the Lakeview area during the report month and provided an average response time of 11 minutes and 02 seconds.





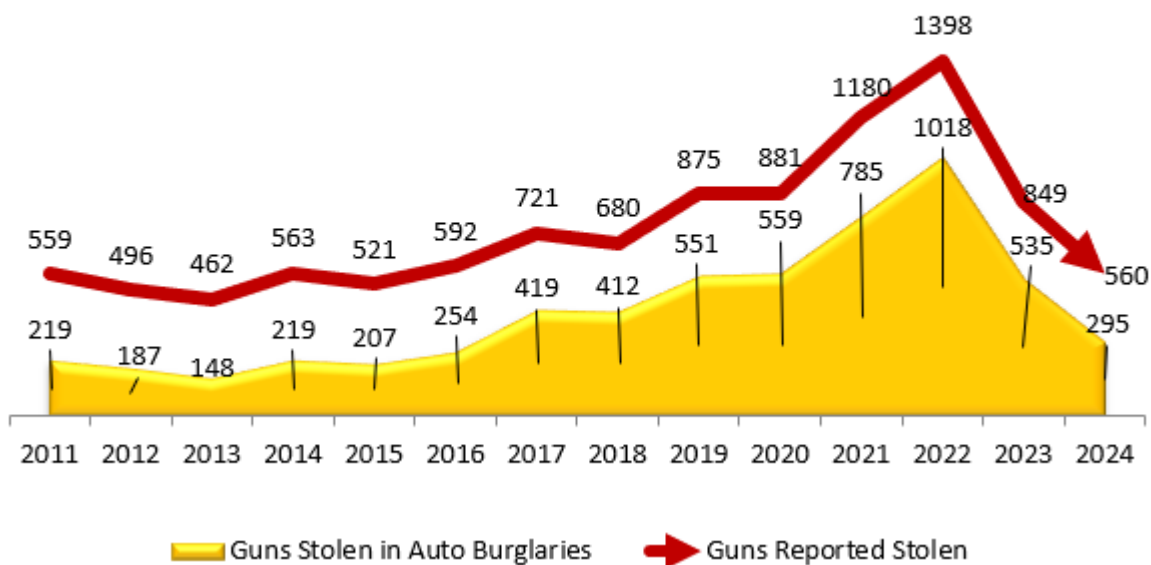
New Orleans Police Department Firearm Theft Data



For the year, **188** firearms were reported stolen to the New Orleans Police Department;

- **86** guns were stolen from vehicles around the city. One firearms was reported stolen from a Lakeview vehicle thus far this year.
- **46%** of all firearms reported stolen year to date were taken from vehicles.

2011 - 2024
NOPD Stolen Gun Investigations



Over the past thirteen years, **10,337** guns were reported stolen to the New Orleans Police Department. During that period, approximately **5,808** of those firearms were reported stolen from vehicles. Many were used to commit other crimes.





TIPS ON HOW TO REDUCE CRIME IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD



Dial 911 in cases of emergency and also to report suspicious activity

Remove firearms, valuables, car keys, and key fobs from vehicles daily.

Keep vehicles locked and secured when not in use.

Do Not leave running vehicles unattended.

Install adequate exterior lighting around the home to discourage criminal activity and consider investing in security cameras which can assist police in their investigations and help make your neighborhood safer.





TIPS ON HOW TO REDUCE CRIME IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

The items most frequently targeted by vehicle burglaries are:



FIREARMS



CASH / PURSES / WALLETS



CAR KEYS



Be a model citizen and help your law enforcement partners reduce crime in your neighborhood by removing all guns, wallet, purses, car keys, and valuables from your vehicles on a daily basis. Also, ensure that your vehicle is locked and secured when not in use.

————— Lock-it up so you don't Lose it! —————





Lakeview Crime Report Summary

In May of 2025, the New Orleans Police Department investigated 1,209 UCR incidents citywide. The 3rd Police District investigated 122 crimes. Eight (08) third district incidents occurred in the Lakeview Area. Lakeview crime is down **37%** compared to the same period in 2024.

LAKEVIEW REPORT MONTH INVESTIGATIONS

PROPERTY CRIME INVESTIGATIONS

08 – Investigations

- 02 – Auto Burglary
- 03 – Auto Thefts
- 01 - Shoplifting
- 02 – Thefts

PERSONS CRIME INVESTIGATIONS

00 – Investigation

QUALITY OF LIFE CONCERNS

Most non police related issues can be addressed through utilizing the 311 City of New Orleans Resource. Complaints may be phoned in or placed online. Many quality-of-life concerns can be resolved through dialing 311.

Third District Community Liaison Senior Police Officer John Wild monitors all complaints to ensure concerns are addressed in a timely manner. For 3rd District Quality-of-Life concerns, please contact Officer John Wild at:

Office: (504) 658-6030

Email: jgwild@nola.gov.

2025 vs. 2024 Lakeview UCR Crimes

		2025	2024	
AUTO BURGLARY				
9		30		-70% ▼
AUTO THEFT				
11		28		-61% ▼
BURGLARY				
7		5		40% ▲
SHOPLIFTING				
4		4		
THEFT				
15		8		88% ▲
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT				
2		2		
ARMED ROBBERY				
1		0		-50% ▼
AGGRAVATED BATTERY				
1		2		
SIMPLE ROBBERY				
RAPE				
0		1		-100%
OVERALL TOTAL				
50		79		-37% ▼



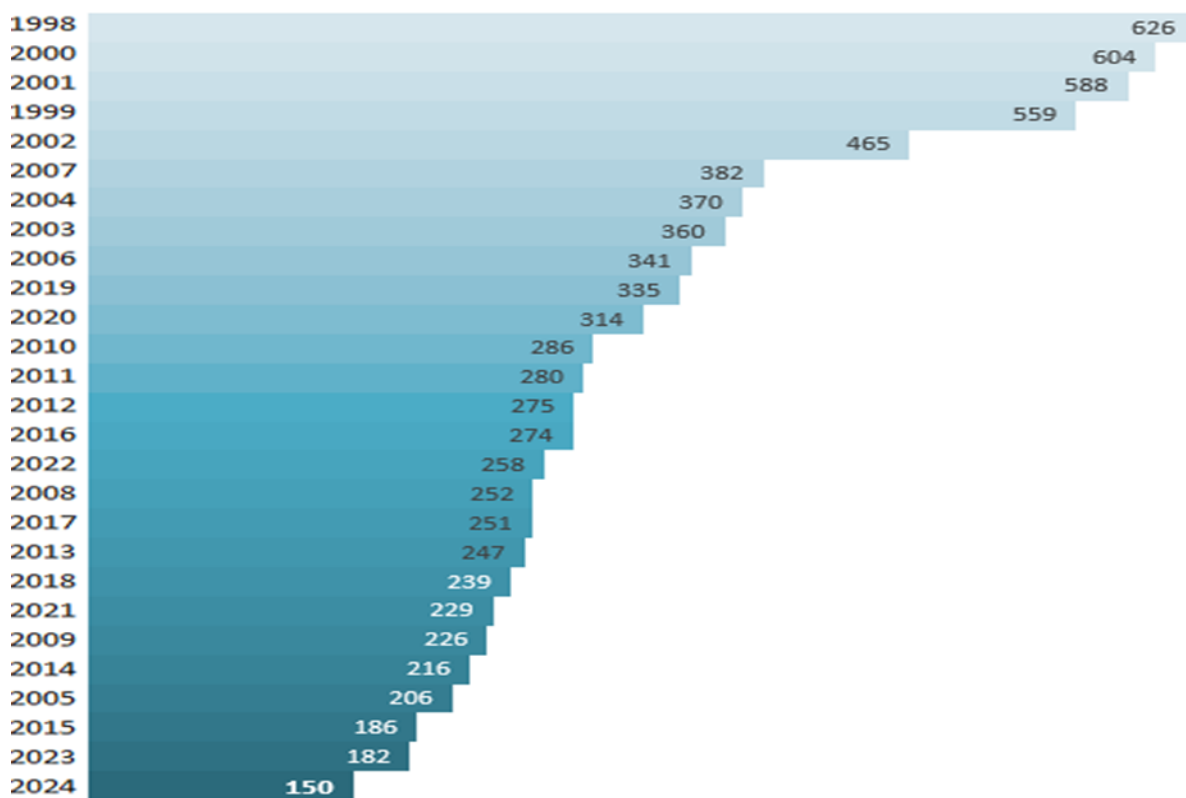


LAKEVIEW 2024 Year End Review Commentary

The Lakeview Crime Prevention District (LCPD) was created in 1998 to help make Lakeview a safer community. For 26 years the Lakeview Community has employed off-duty New Orleans Police Officers to provide supplemental proactive patrols working in Lakeview on an overtime basis under the LCPD umbrella. These proactive patrols were put in place to enhance police visibility, improve police response time, deter crime, and improve quality of life. This continuous police presence in Lakeview neighborhoods has made Lakeview one of the safest communities in the City of New Orleans.

In 2024, Lakeview's crime rate dropped by 18% from the year before, hitting its lowest level in 26 years.

1998 - 2024 Lakeview Crime Trend Chart
CRIMES INVESTIGATED ANNUALLY

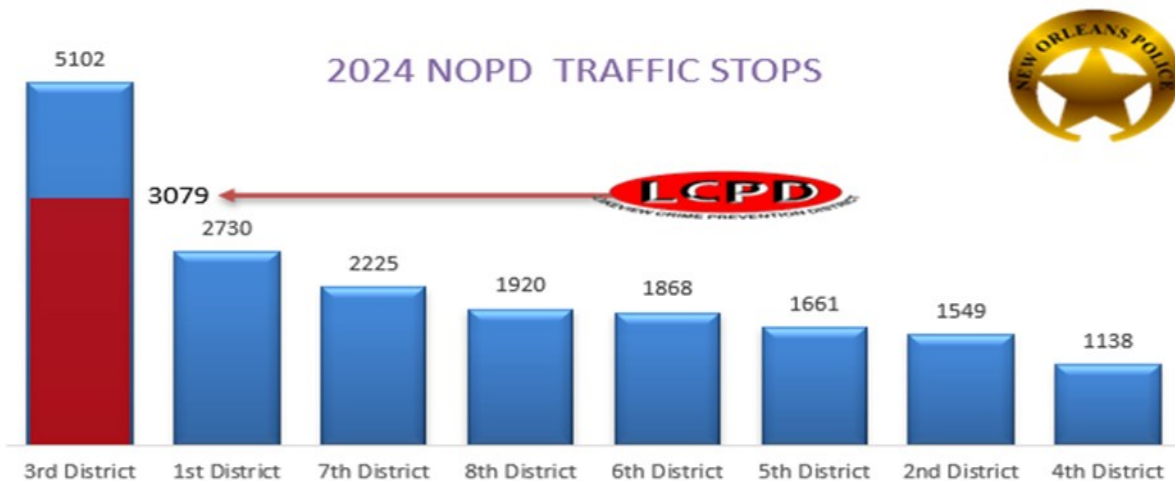


A total of 150 crimes (140 property crimes and 10 person crimes) were investigated in Lakeview in 2024, as opposed to 182 crimes in 2023. Of the offenses investigated in the given year, forty-four (44) were solved, yielding a clearance rate of 29 percent.



LAKEVIEW 2024 Year End Review Commentary -continued-

Auto thefts and auto burglaries accounted for 63% of all crimes in Lakeview in 2024. In the past, criminals have used stolen cars to scout communities for potential targets. Throughout the year, Lakeview patrols proactively carried out authorized traffic stops in order to directly address this property crime concern. In addition, the Third District led all districts in traffic stops with 5,102 stops for the year thanks to this campaign. Lakeview Officers conducted 3,079 of the 5,102 traffic stops in the Third District.



Throughout the year, LCPD officers handled more than 1,300 calls for service in addition to traffic enforcement. 3,175 field interviews were performed by Lakeview officers as part of traffic stops and suspicious person investigations. Seventy-three (73) arrests were made in Lakeview by the end of 2024 for offenses ranging from driving under the influence to auto theft.

The LCPD has the fastest response time for emergency calls for service in 2024. LCPD officers responded to dispatched priority calls for service on average of 6 minutes 07 seconds which is outstanding.

Lakeview Patrols, the NOPD 3rd District Detectives Units, and platoon officers collaboratively engaged in a robust effort to reduce crime in Lakeview by maintaining a strong police presence, invoking constitutional policing, executing professional compliance standards when interacting with the public, and by taking enforcement action when duty required such measures. These officers are committed to delivering a high degree of excellent police service daily and understand the importance of building positive partnerships with community members in the interest of public safety. The mission is to eradicate crime in Lakeview..... because any crime.....is a crime too many.