



Hartsville Police Department



2015 Crime Report

Hartselle Police Department

Message from the Chief

I am pleased to present the Hartselle Police Department's 2015 Annual Crime Report. The Hartselle Police Department is dedicated to provide quality law enforcement services to our community. The information in this report and the charts provide statistical information concerning crime in Hartselle.

Our department continues to meet challenges of a growing community. The police department responded to 11,487 calls for service during 2015. The average response time to emergency calls for service is 2.5 minutes. Overall, Part 1 Crimes decreased by 5 percent. Total Part 2 Crimes increased by 9 percent.

In closing, I would like to publicly acknowledge the excellent job done by our officers and civilians on a daily basis. Their commitment and dedication to the citizens of Hartselle has made a major difference and has greatly contributed to these results.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron W. Puckett
Chief of Police

Uniform Crime Reporting National Incident-Based Reporting System

In reporting crime statistics to the state and federal level, the Hartselle Police Department utilizes the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). In this system, law enforcement agencies collect and submit detailed information about crime incidents and arrests. Most local law enforcement agencies provide a monthly count of offenses and arrests for certain offense categories to their state UCR systems, which in turn report these totals to the FBI.

The Hartselle Police Department reports violations of criminal law as either Part 1 or Part 2 crimes. The data presented on page 5 shows a yearly comparison of all crimes reported in Hartselle – both Part 1 and Part 2.

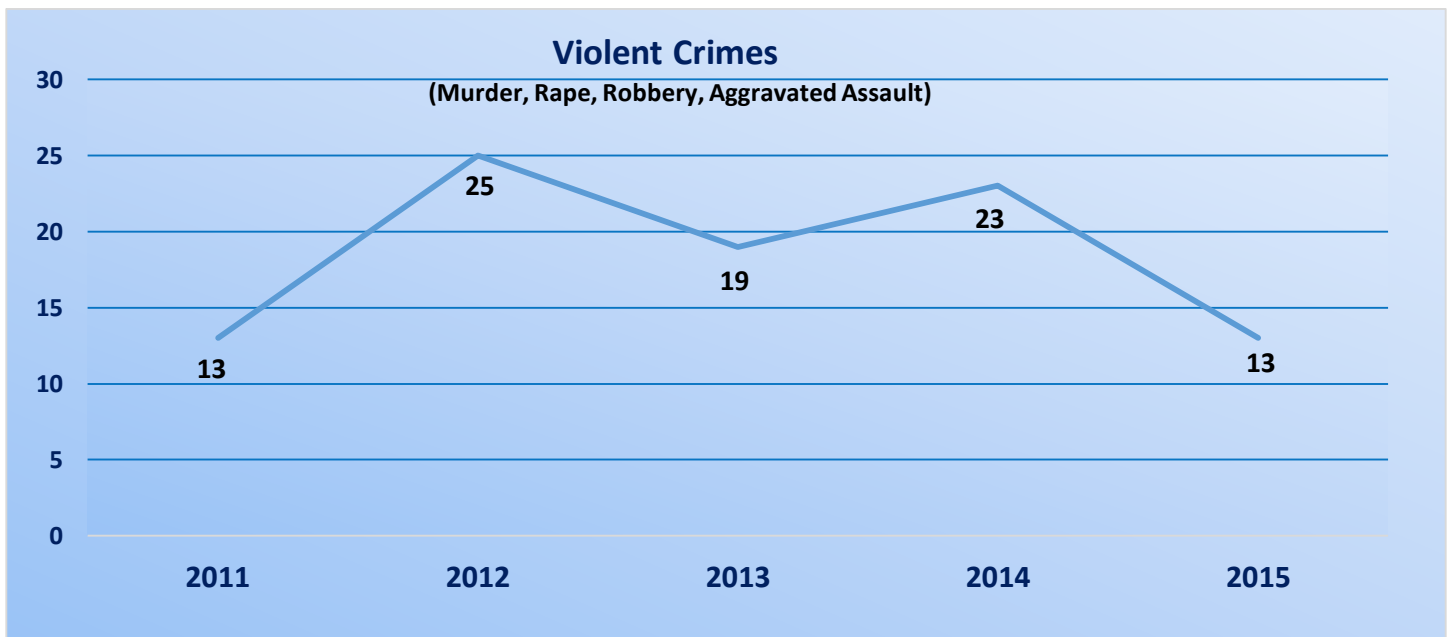
The Part 1 crimes reported by the Hartselle Police Department are homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, theft, and motor vehicle theft.

Part 2 crimes encompass all other offenses which include criminal mischief, DUI, drugs/narcotics, forgery/counterfeit, fraud, liquor law violations, sex offenses, simple assault, weapons law violations, public order crimes and other miscellaneous offenses.

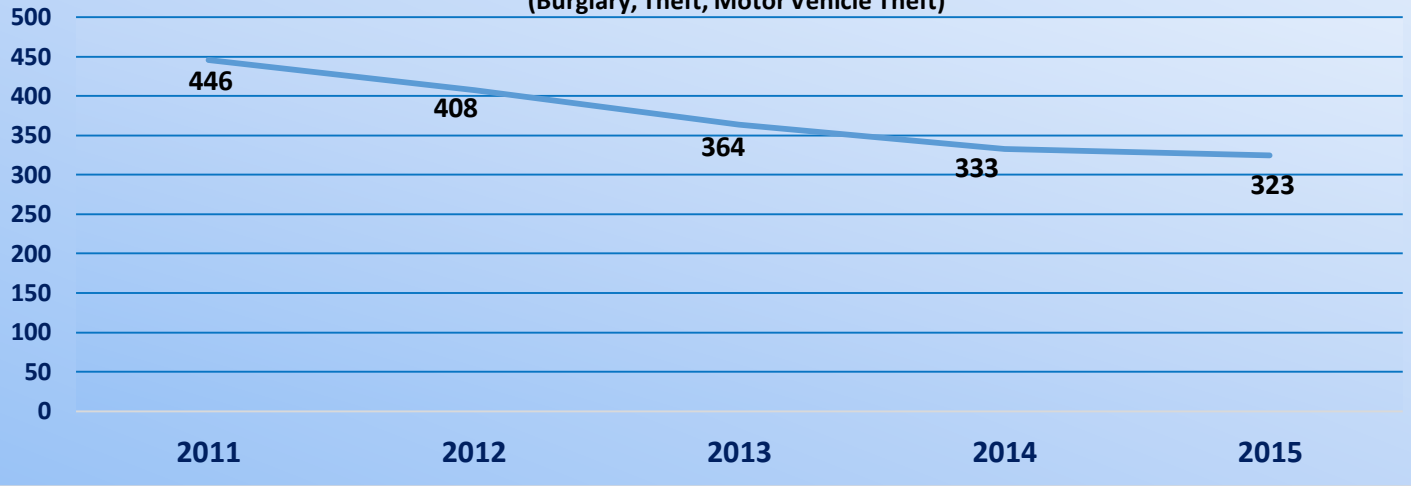
The following is a comparative summary of the total Part 1 Crimes reported in Hartselle during the past five years.

Total Part 1 Crimes

Crime Category	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change from 2014
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Rape	3	2	0	5	1	-80%
Robbery	4	3	3	2	1	-50%
Aggravated Assault	6	20	16	16	11	-31%
Burglary	89	79	63	33	38	15%
Theft	340	312	279	286	271	-5%
Motor Vehicle Theft	17	17	22	14	14	0%
Total Part 1 Crimes	459	433	383	356	336	-5%



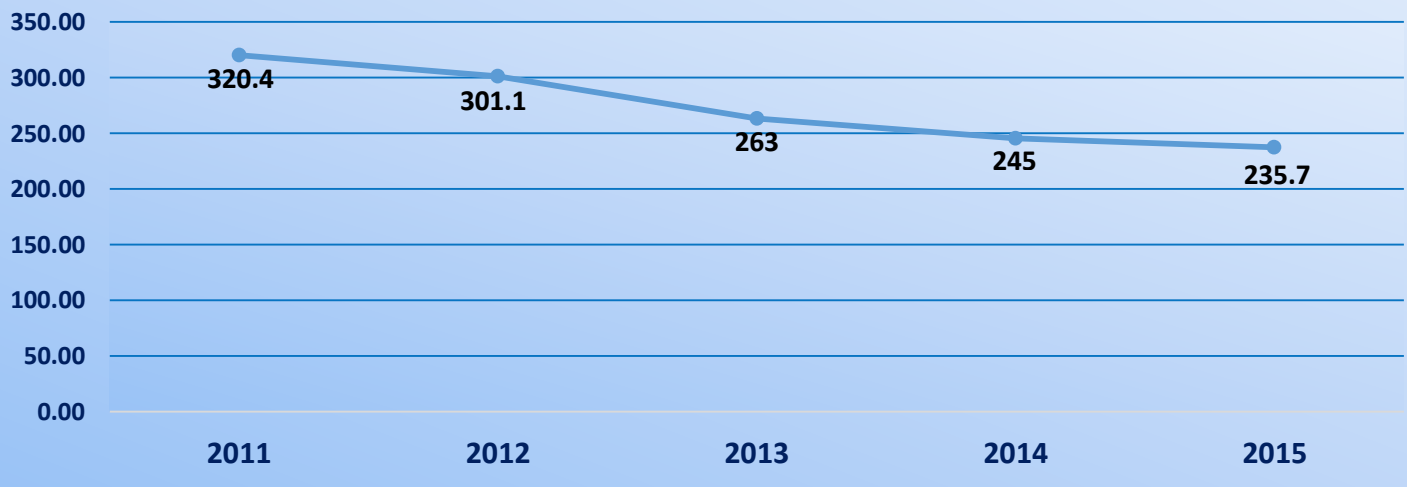
Property Crimes (Burglary, Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft)



Crime Rate

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Population	14,324	14,380	14,563	14,519	14,255
Total Part 1 Crimes	459	433	383	356	336
Part 1 Crimes Per 100,000 Residents	320.40	301.10	263.00	245.20	235.7

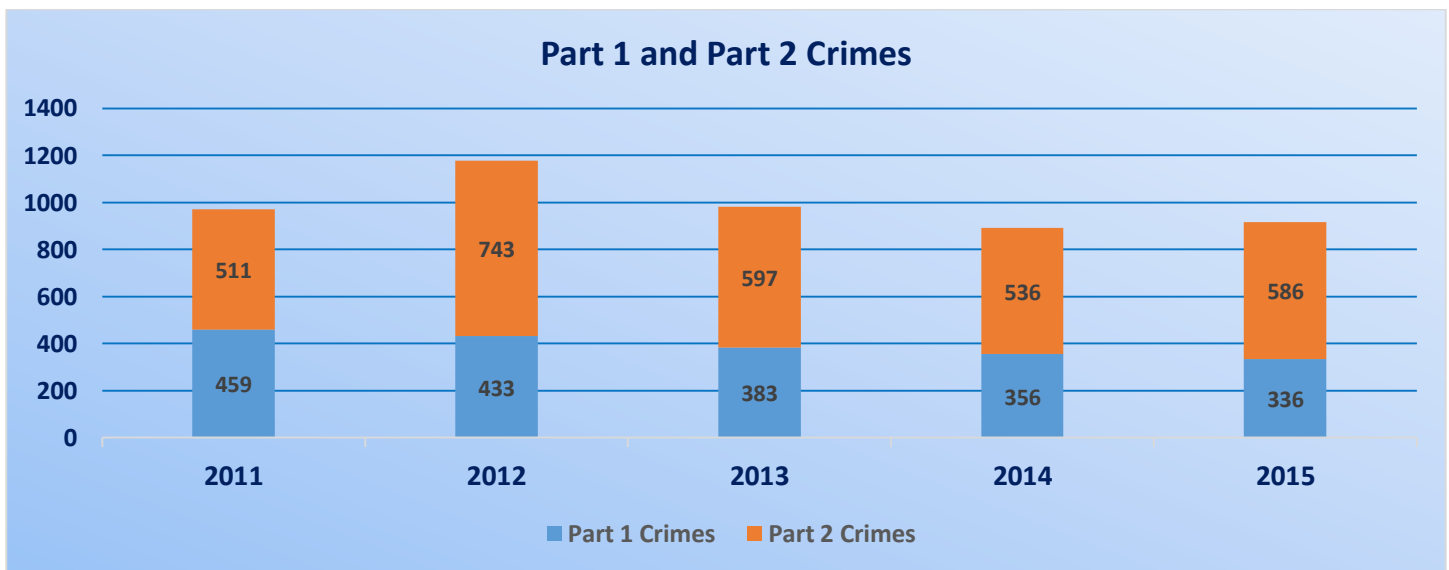
Crime Rate - Part 1 Crimes



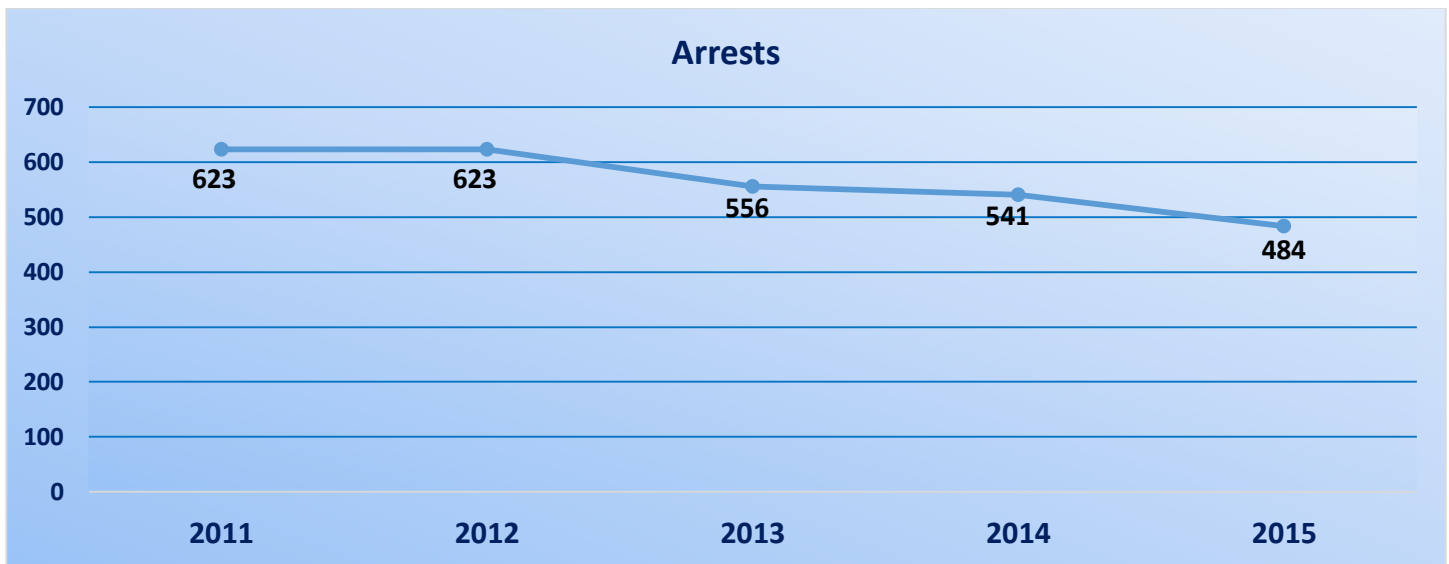
The following is a comparative summary of the total Part 2 Crimes reported in Hartselle during the past five years.

Total Part 2 Crimes

Crime Category	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change from 2014
Arson	1	0	1	1	0	-100%
Damage To Property	42	111	87	59	85	44%
Drug Offenses	46	60	36	34	34	0%
DUI	59	63	50	33	31	-6%
Forgery	6	7	17	7	12	71%
Fraud	30	51	34	37	32	-14%
Public Order	49	142	124	113	44	-61%
Sex Offenses	1	3	0	1	0	-100%
Simple Assault	239	164	145	136	194	43%
Weapons Law	1	6	3	2	2	0%
All Other Offenses	37	136	100	113	152	35%
Total Part 2 Crimes	511	743	597	536	586	9%



Arrests	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Male	465	454	385	362	317
Female	158	169	171	179	167
Total	623	623	556	541	484



Clearance Rate for 2015

Clearance and arrest data are also reported to Alabama's UCR. A crime is considered cleared, either by arrest or by exceptional means, when enough evidence is found to charge a suspect and take him/her into custody. It is conceivable that one arrest could clear several offenses or that several arrests could clear one offense. The clearance rate is achieved by taking the number of clearances over the number of crimes reported.

Offense	Actual Number	Offenses Cleared	HPD Clearance Rate	Alabama Average 2014	National Average 2014
Homicide	0	0	0%	57%	64%
Rape	1	1	100%	47%	38%
Robbery	1	1	100%	38%	29%
Aggravated Assault	11	10	90%	47%	56%
Simple Assault (Part 2)	194	184	94%	NA	NA
Burglary	38	7	18%	15%	13%
Larceny	271	134	49%	26%	23%
Motor Vehicle Theft	14	10	71%	26%	12%
Drug Offenses (Part 2)	34	30	88%	NA	NA
Arson (Part 2)	0	0	0%	NA	NA
Part 1 Totals	338	119	48%	26%	