



# 2005

Lethbridge Regional Police Service **Annual Report**



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## Welcome to Our Annual Report

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This Annual Report is intended to provide information regarding Lethbridge Regional Police Service achievements and inform the citizens of Lethbridge and Coaldale of significant events and activities that occurred during the past year. As with all Annual Reports, specific information has been included in respect to incidents of crime and clearance rates. Just as importantly, it seeks to provide readers with a broad understanding of the challenges this past year presented as well as how we responded.

During the year, the 2006-2008 Lethbridge Regional Police Service Strategic Plan and Business Plan were developed with the participation of the Lethbridge Regional Police Commission. This will provide a clearer focus for the Lethbridge Regional Police Service and is aimed at enhancing our effectiveness and efficiency in the face of increasing and diversified community demands and challenges.

Reflecting on 2005, I cannot help but be satisfied with what we have achieved. As always, we have focused on the issues that are important to our citizens preventing crime, reducing violence and ensuring citizens feel safe in going about their normal daily activities.

The year 2005 was not without its challenges and consistent with the principles of openness and accountability, this Annual Report provides an overview of issues affecting the Lethbridge Regional Police Service.

Finally, I would like to thank all the men and women of the Lethbridge Regional Police Service for their hard work and contributions to the organizational achievements of the past year. These achievements ensure Lethbridge and Coaldale remain a safe place to live and work and demonstrate these communities are served by a professional and committed police service.



Eugene Wehlage,  
Chief of Police

### Lethbridge Regional Police Commission

Hugh Richards - Chair  
Wayne Etches  
Councilor Sherrie Duda  
Kirbey Lockhart  
Rodney Fong  
Alderman Tom Wickersham  
Alderman Rajko Dodic

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## Our Profile

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The intention of this Annual Report is to provide a record of Lethbridge Regional Police Service accomplishments in 2005 and to inform of significant activities undertaken throughout the year.

### OUR MISSION

The Lethbridge Regional Police Service is committed to providing a safe community through education and crime prevention, community partnerships, excellence in service delivery, and professionalism in the application of the law.

### OUR VISION

The vision of the Lethbridge Regional Police Service is to sustain and enhance the safety and security of our community.

### OUR VALUES

**Respect** - All people are treated with dignity, empathy and fairness.

**Honesty** - Relationships are based on a foundation of mutual trust.

**Integrity** - Conduct is based on a strong ethical and moral foundation.

**Professionalism** - Professionalism and excellence are the standard for service, and as a learning organization, personal and professional development of employees is fostered.

**Commitment** - Teamwork and participation in decision-making is encouraged, as well as freedom of expression and open and respectful communication.

The Lethbridge Police Force was established in 1902 and Thomas Lewis was appointed as the Chief of Police. At the time, the Lethbridge Police Force had a total staff of two and served an estimated population of 2,000.

Just over 100 years later, the Lethbridge Regional Police Service employs more than 210 sworn and non-sworn members and over 50 volunteers to serve the citizens of Lethbridge and Coaldale, a combined population in excess of 82,000 people.

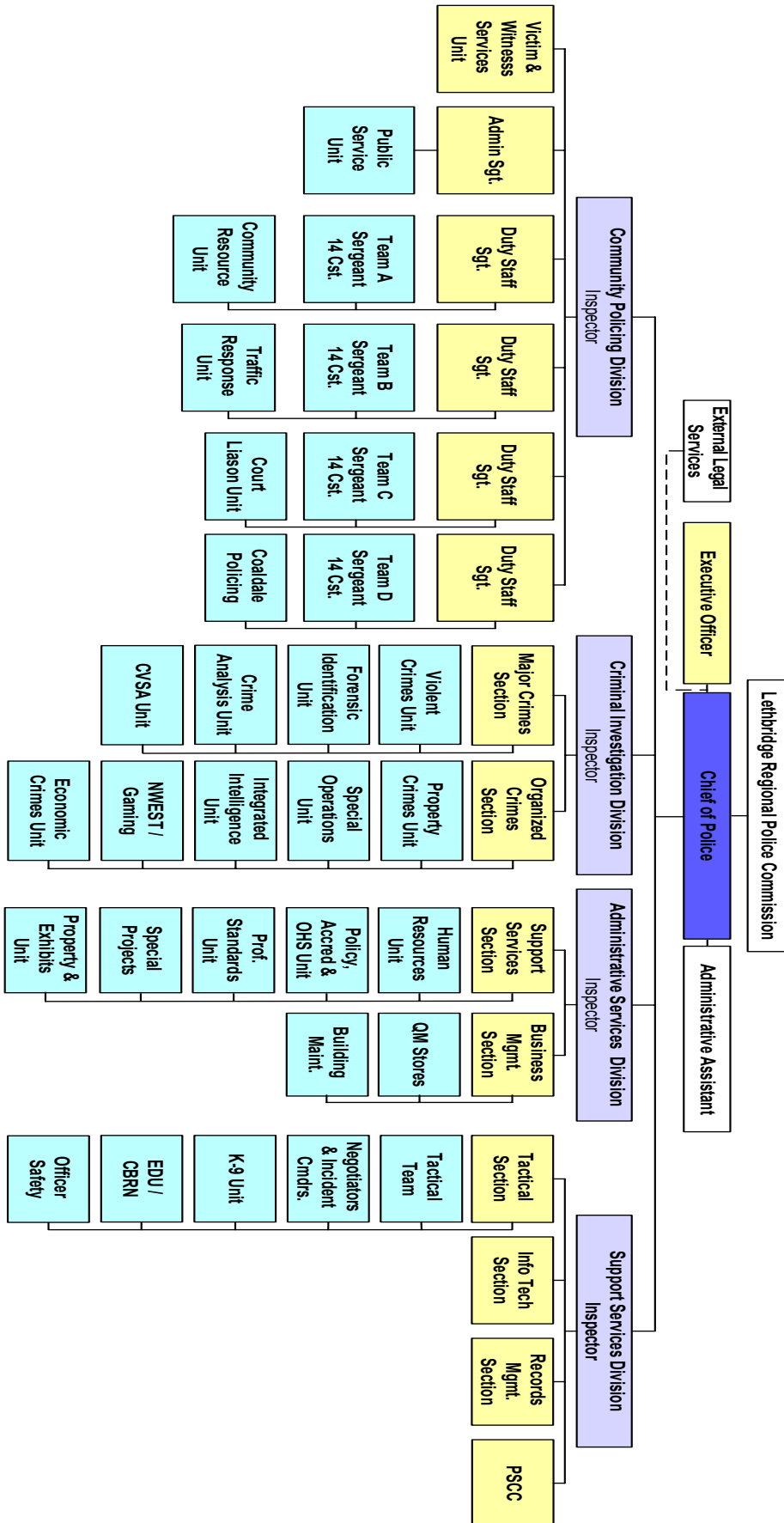
The Lethbridge Regional Police Service annual budget for 2005 was approximately \$16.3 million.

The Lethbridge Regional Police Service is available to the communities it serves 24 hours a day, seven days a week from its headquarters in Lethbridge and beat office in Coaldale. During the past year the citizens of Lethbridge and Coaldale made 27,230 calls for service to the Lethbridge Regional Police Service that required a response.

During the past year eight new police officers were added to the Lethbridge Regional Police Service after completing training at the Center for the Advancement of Community Justice located in Lethbridge.

In addition, the Downtown Beat Unit was re-engineered to effectively and efficiently address concerns in the downtown of Lethbridge.

# Lethbridge Regional Police Service - 2005



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## Our Divisions

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### COMMUNITY POLICING DIVISION

*Inspector Eugene Wehlage*

The Community Policing Division's primary function is to provide our communities with frontline service to address matters of public safety, criminal activity, and social disorder. Cultural, community liaison and school resources personnel specialize in developing programs and relationships that enhance public access to the police.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

*Inspector Tom McKenzie*

The Criminal Investigation Division provides support services to ongoing complicated criminal investigations that require specialized and dedicated resources. Intelligence-led policing through effective partnerships with other agencies leads to a sustained impact on organized crime. Through various investigative units, the Lethbridge Regional Police Service is a leader in criminal investigations in southern Alberta.

### ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT DIVISION

*Inspector Colin Catonio*

The Administrative Support Division operates as a business and is responsible for the administration of the Lethbridge Regional Police Service. Through managing budgets, business activities, human resources and public complaint investigations, the Administrative Support Division provides the basis of public transparency and organizational development.

### SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

*Inspector Ian Cameron*

The Support Services Division provides support to all Divisions within the Lethbridge Regional Police Service by providing cutting edge information technology, records management and tactical support. The Support Services Division also represents Lethbridge Regional Police Service interests in the Public Safety Communications Center, a partnership with the Lethbridge Fire Department.

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## Enlistments, Retirements, Resignations & Promotions

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### SWORN

Constable Ross Bond  
Constable Shawn Lester  
Constable Liam Breedon  
Constable Dana Gangur  
Constable Shane Hoiland  
Constable Mark Sander  
Constable Wade Davidson  
Constable Mike Godbersen

### NON-SWORN

Linda Bushey  
Alyson Dunsmore  
Marlene Harmon  
Marissa Smoke  
Barbara Murphy  
Kathleen Zolinsky

### VICTIM SERVICES

#### VOLUNTEERS

Amanda Thompson  
Chris Dewaal  
Chris Running  
Donna Vigar

Kymerlei Howard  
Kevin Francis  
Pete Meaney  
Sheena Smith  
Tammy Youngren  
Ryan James  
Adam Greene  
Ashley Dominato  
Donna Stevenson  
Elsie Steven  
Eugene Larsen  
Fred Barbero  
Jaimie Skagan  
Jayme Zubak  
Lena Harrison  
Lisa Kelloway  
Marcus Hampson  
Melvin Weber  
Richard Abele  
Sue Rowley  
Shelley Salisbury

### RETIREMENTS

Staff Sergeant Maynard Fast  
Sergeant Darcy Murray  
Sergeant Chris Flexhaug  
Sergeant John Liptak  
Sergeant Bob Cottingham

### PROMOTIONS

#### *To Staff Sergeant:*

Sergeant Scott Penich  
Sergeant Tom Ascroft

#### *To Sergeant:*

Constable Rod Klassen  
Constable Kevin Talbot  
Constable Craig Deimuth  
Constable Tony Andrews

### RESIGNATIONS

Constable Devon Soucie  
Constable Susan Zubach  
T.J. Wood-Lo  
Nikki Butcher

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## Recognitions of Service

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### LETHBRIDGE REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE MEDAL (15 YEARS)

Sergeant Rod Kalssen  
Constable Jason Dobirsten  
Constable Terry Hendricks  
Constable Tiffany Housworth  
Constable Shaun Millband  
Constable Jim Olsen  
Constable Rod Tilson  
Constable Rick Wallace  
Constable Dan Walton  
Constable Tony Yee  
Constable Kevin Mortensen

### FEDERAL EXEMPLARY MEDAL (20 YEARS)

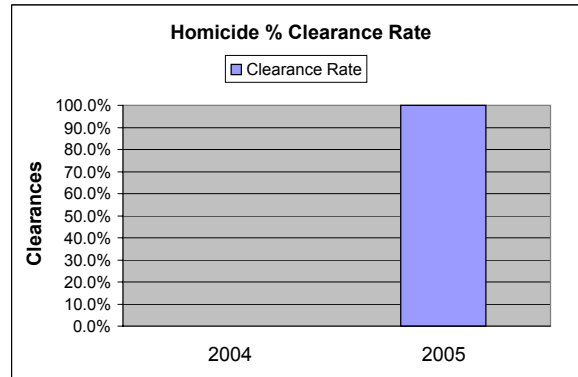
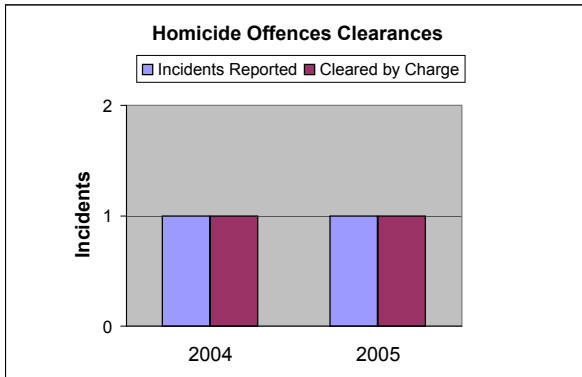
Staff Sergeant Jeff Cove  
Staff Sergeant Scott Penich  
Sergeant John Liptak  
Sergeant Arthur Tamminga  
Constable James Kambeitz

### PROVINCIAL EXEMPLARY MEDAL (25 YEARS)

Chief John Middleton-Hope  
Inspector Colin Catonio  
Staff Sergeant James Carriere  
Staff Sergeant Darcie James  
Staff Sergeant Maynard Fast  
Sergeant Bob Cottingham  
Sergeant Darcie Murray  
Constable Paulette DeCoste

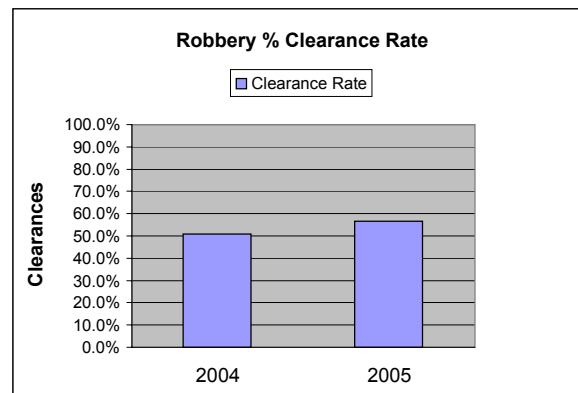
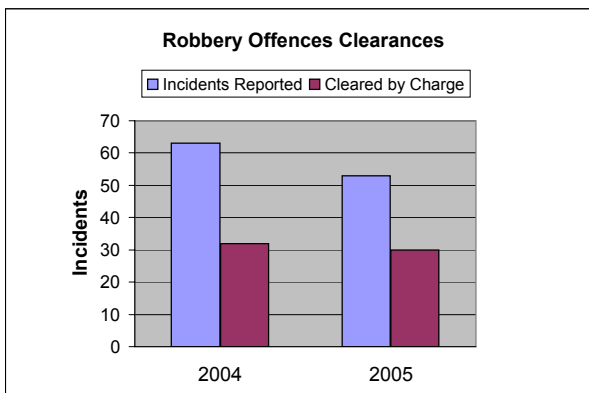
## Crimes Against Persons

	INCIDENTS REPORTED				CLEARED BY CHARGE			CLEARED BY OTHER			% CLEARANCE RATE	
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Homicide</b>												
Homicide	0	1	1	100.0%	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0%	100.0%
Attempted Murder	2	0	-2	-100.0%	2	0	-2	0	0	0	100.0%	0.0%
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Infanticide	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Criminal Negligence - death	0	1	1	100.0%	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0%	100.0%
<b>Total Homicide Offences:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



Homicide offences include all instances where, by criminal code definition, a human life is taken at the hands of another. The number of homicides includes both culpable and non culpable homicide. A non culpable homicide is reflected in the "cleared by other" category.

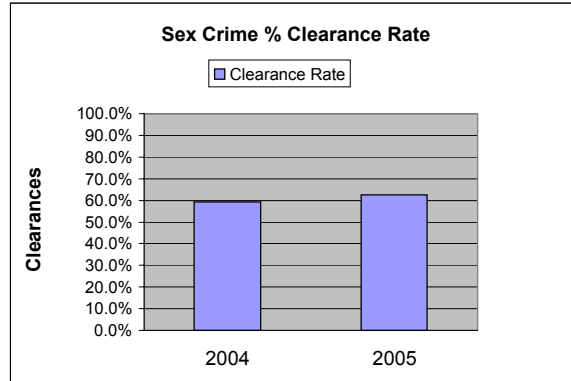
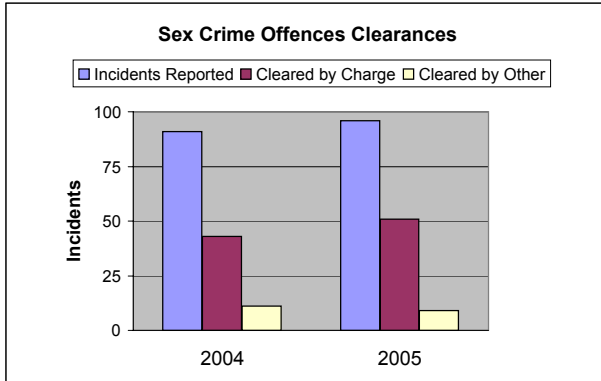
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	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Robbery</b>												
Financial	6	2	-4	-66.7%	6	2	-4	0	0	0	100.0%	100.0%
Commercial	20	9	-11	-55.0%	11	5	-6	0	0	0	55.0%	55.6%
Street Robbery	37	42	5	13.5%	15	23	8	0	0	0	40.5%	54.8%
<b>Total Robbery Offences:</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>-15.9%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50.8%</b>	<b>56.6%</b>
<b>Robbery - Weapons Displayed</b>												
Firearms	10	2	-8	-80.0%								
Other Weapons	16	14	-2	-12.5%								
<b>Total Weapons Displayed:</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>-38.5%</b>								



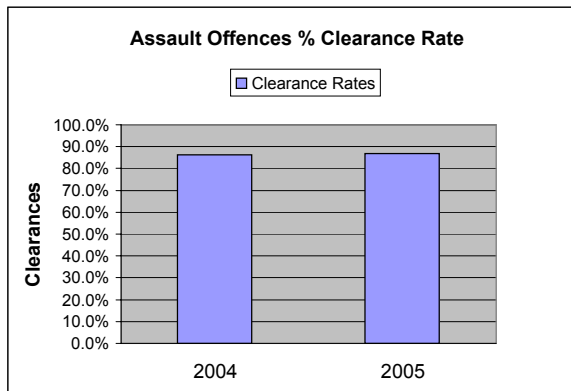
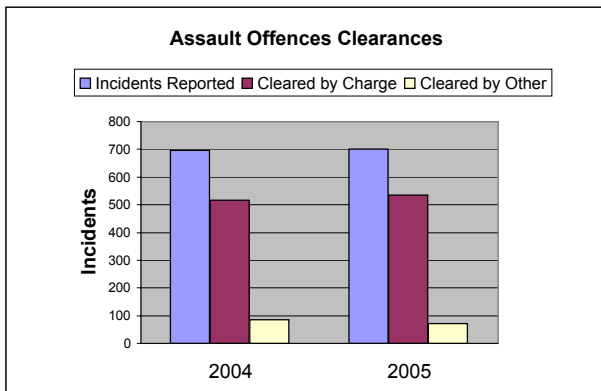
Robbery statistics are divided into three categories: financial institution, commercial businesses that may include convenience stores, gas stations or other commercial enterprise, and street robberies.

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<b>Sex Crimes</b>												
Sexual Assault	51	64	13	25.5%	27	38	11	5	5	0	62.7%	67.2%
Sexual Assault - weapon / obh	1	0	-1	-100.0%	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.0%	0.0%
Sexual Assault - aggravated	1	0	-1	-100.0%	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.0%	0.0%
Sexual Interference	9	6	-3	-33.3%	9	6	-3	0	0	0	100.0%	100.0%
Indecent Acts	29	26	-3	-10.3%	5	7	2	6	4	-2	37.9%	42.3%
<b>Total Sex Related Offences:</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>59.3%</b>	<b>62.5%</b>



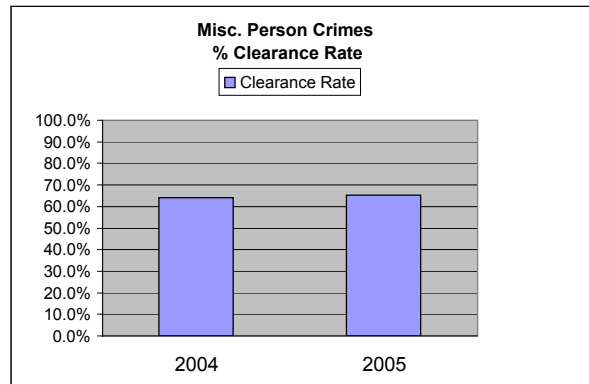
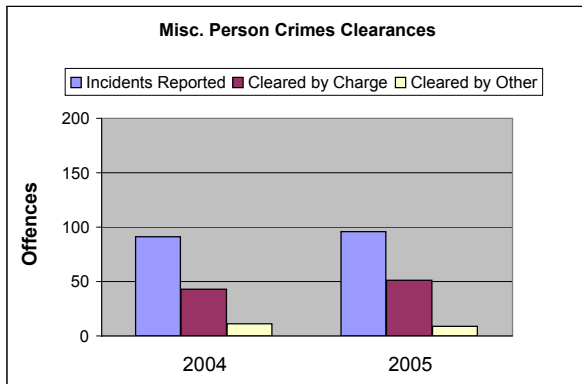
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<b>Assault</b>												
Assault	570	561	-9	-1.6%	418	426	8	84	67	-17	88.1%	87.9%
Assault - weapon / obh	103	124	21	20.4%	77	95	18	1	4	3	75.7%	79.8%
Assault - aggravated	5	7	2	40.0%	4	7	3	0	0	0	80.0%	100.0%
Assault - police officer	19	8	-11	-57.9%	17	8	-9	1	0	-1	94.7%	100.0%
<b>Total Assault Offences:</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>86.4%</b>	<b>86.7%</b>



Assaults showed a slight overall decrease in 2005.

## Crimes Against Persons

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	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Misc. Person Crimes</b>												
Kidnapping / Abduction	24	8	-16	-66.7%	20	8	-12	0	0	0	83.3%	100.0%
Extortion	2	0	-2	-100.0%	1	0	-1	0	0	0	50.0%	0.0%
Criminal Harassment	19	22	3	15.8%	10	8	-2	7	9	2	89.5%	77.3%
Indecent / Harassing Phone Calls	80	77	-3	-3.8%	12	26	14	30	19	-11	52.5%	58.4%
<b>Total Misc. Person Crimes:</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>-14.4%</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>64.0%</b>	<b>65.4%</b>

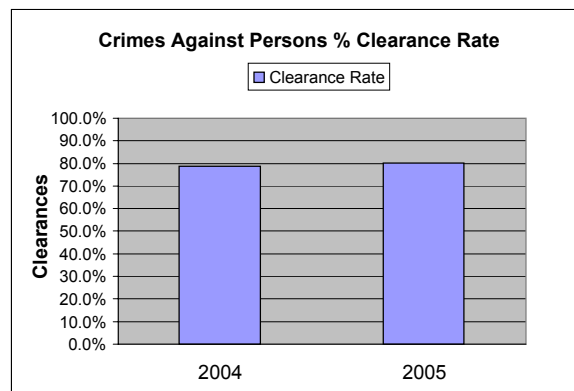
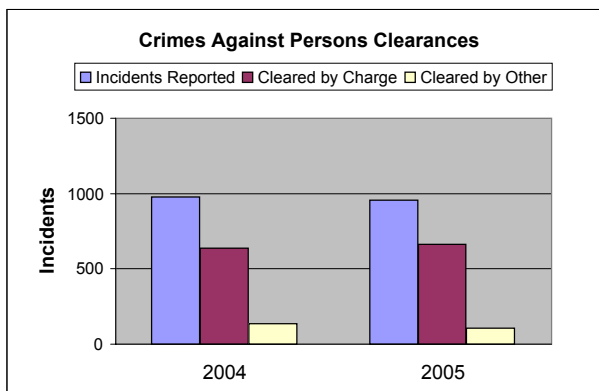


Kidnapping and abduction includes abduction of adults and children, abduction of children contrary to existing custody order or without a custody order and unlawful removal of children from Canada.

	INCIDENTS REPORTED				CHARGES RESULTING		
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	%CHNG
<b>Domestic Violence</b>							
Domestic Violence Complaints	427	435	8	1.9%	367	435	-8.5%
Emergency Protection Orders	9	8	-1	-11.1%			

Domestic violence statistics reflect the number of complaints of assault, mischief or other criminal conduct between persons who are or have previously cohabitated in a legal marital relationship or a common law relationship. Charges that result out of these complaints are directly reflected in the category from which they came.

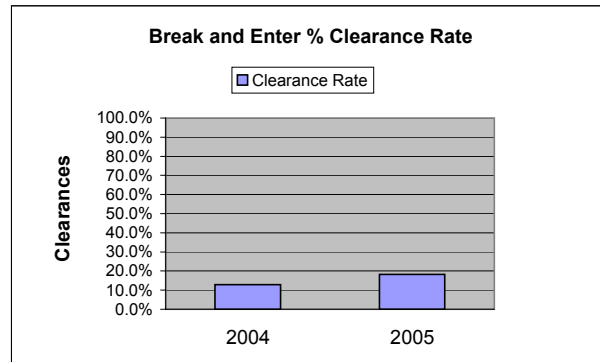
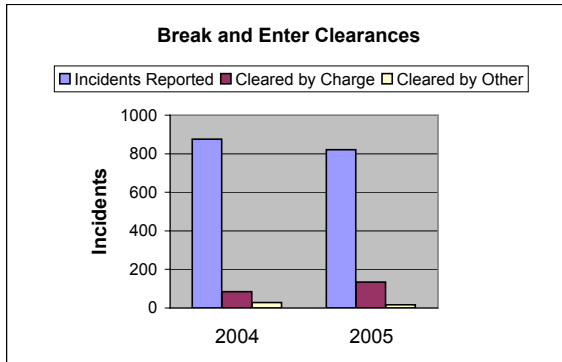
### Graphic Summation of Crimes Against Persons



Incidents of crimes against persons decreased in 2005 - the clearance rate was up from 2004.

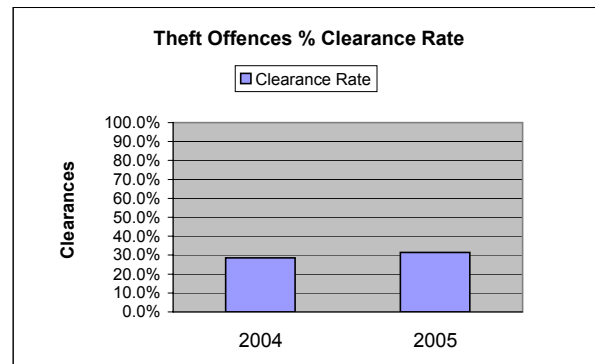
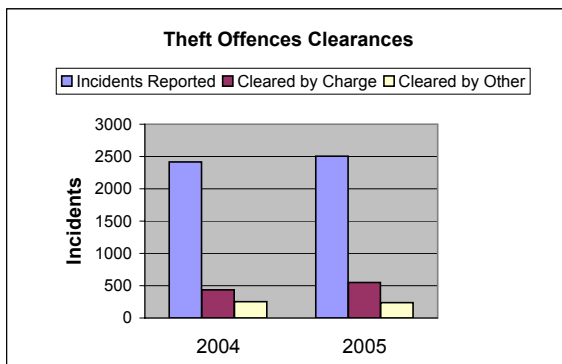
# Crimes Against Property

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	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Break and Enter</b>												
Residential	485	406	-79	-16.3%	43	78	35	15	6	-9	12.0%	20.7%
Commercial	135	130	-5	-3.7%	18	19	1	4	4	0	16.3%	17.7%
Other Property	242	273	31	12.8%	18	26	8	5	5	0	9.5%	11.4%
Unlawfully in a Dwelling	13	12	-1	-7.7%	6	11	5	4	1	-3	76.9%	100.0%
<b>Total B &amp; E Offences:</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>-54</b>	<b>-6.2%</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>12.9%</b>	<b>18.3%</b>



Break and enter offences are divided into three categories. These are break and enters to residential buildings, commercial businesses and other properties. Included in other properties are out buildings such as detached garages and sheds.

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	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Theft Offences</b>												
Theft Under \$5000	853	712	-141	-16.5%	106	93	-13	82	60	-22	22.0%	21.5%
Theft Over \$5000	17	13	-4	-23.5%	11	6	-5	0	1	1	64.7%	53.8%
Theft From Vehicle Under \$5000	956	1060	104	10.9%	24	39	15	10	14	4	3.6%	5.0%
Theft From Vehicle Over \$5000	4	4	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Theft by Shoplifting Under \$5000	583	717	134	23.0%	294	409	115	162	165	3	78.2%	80.1%
Theft by Shoplifting Over \$5000	2	1	-1	-50.0%	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0%	100.0%
<b>Total Theft Offences:</b>	<b>2415</b>	<b>2507</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>28.5%</b>	<b>31.4%</b>
Possession of Stolen Property	251	338	87	34.7%	202	291	89	21	10	-11	88.8%	89.1%

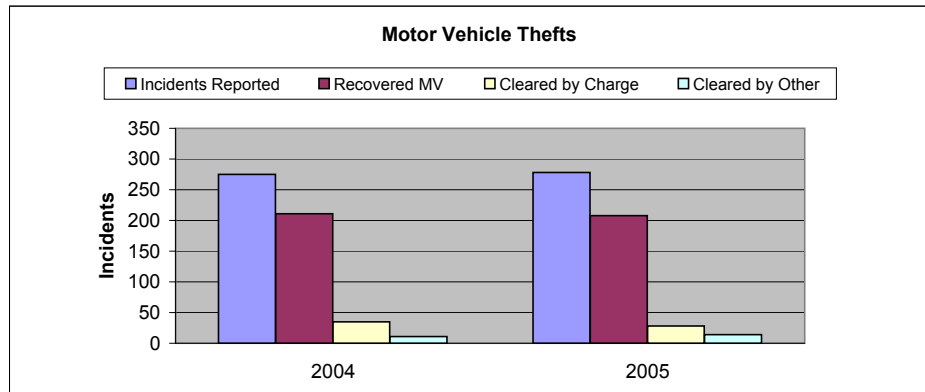


Thefts are divided into categories of general theft, theft from vehicle and theft by shoplifting. Each category is then divided further into offences where the value of the property stolen either exceeded \$5000, or was under \$5000. The total number of thefts does not include the number of auto thefts reported.

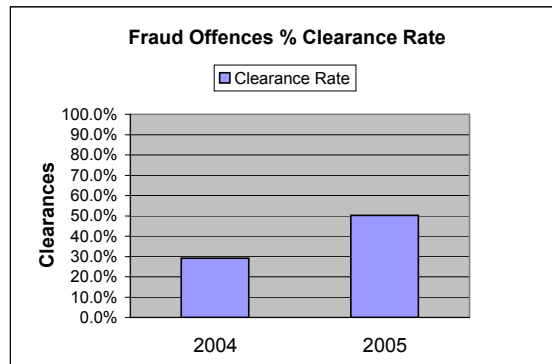
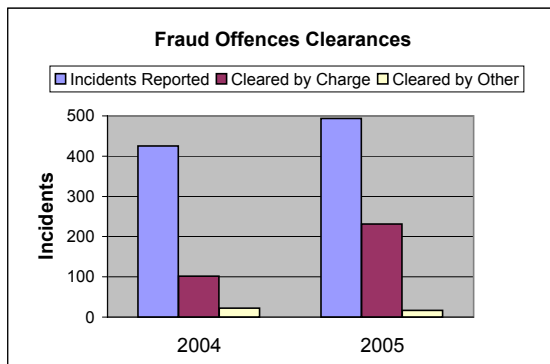
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<b>Motor Vehicle Thefts</b>												
Theft of Motor Vehicle	227	238	11	4.8%	23	20	-3	5	9	4	12.3%	12.2%
Attempt Theft of Motor Vehicle	32	30	-2	-6.3%	2	2	0	0	1	1	6.3%	10.0%
Take Vehicle Without Owner Conser	16	10	-6	-37.5%	10	6	-4	6	4	-2	100.0%	100.0%
<b>Total Vehicle Related Thefts:</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16.7%</b>	<b>15.1%</b>
Stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered	211	208										
Percent of Stolen MV Recovered	93.0%	87.4%										

Motor vehicle thefts in Lethbridge and Coaldale are not generally part of any organized crime operations. As most of the motor vehicles stolen are recovered in the Lethbridge area, it is clear the predominate motive for motor vehicle theft is for transportation.



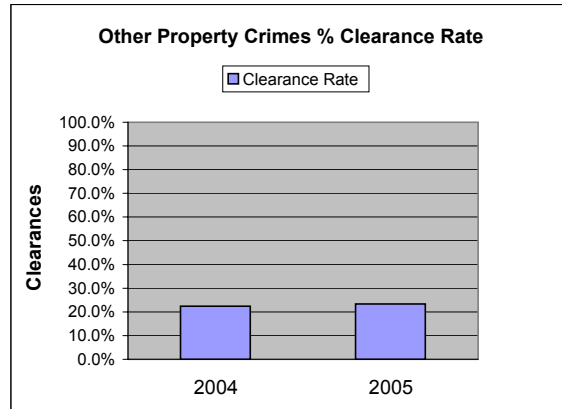
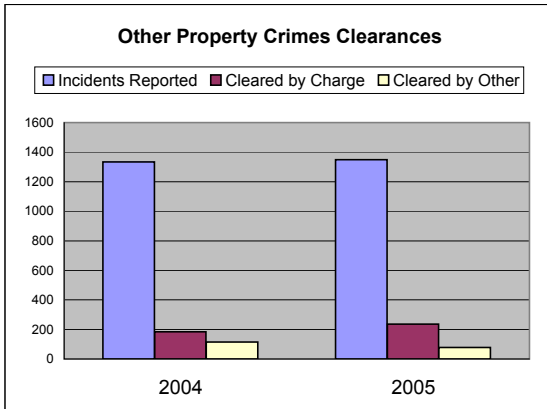
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<b>Fraud Offences</b>												
Fraud	0	1	1	100.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
False Pretences	92	118	26	28.3%	56	78	22	16	13	-3	78.3%	77.1%
Credit Card Fraud	133	214	81	60.9%	41	144	103	5	3	-2	34.6%	68.7%
Counterfeiting	200	161	-39	-19.5%	5	9	4	1	1	0	3.0%	6.2%
<b>Total Fraud Offences:</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>16.2%</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>29.2%</b>	<b>50.2%</b>



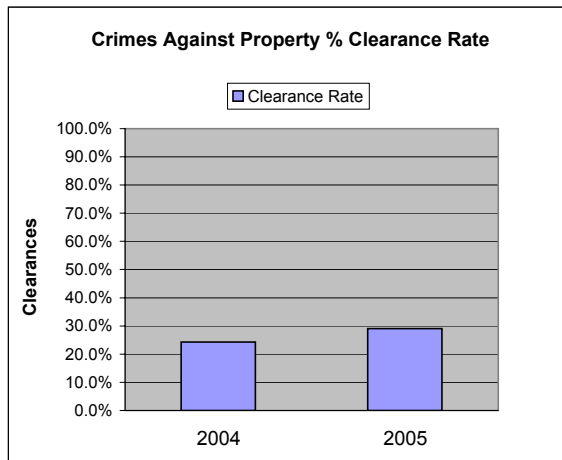
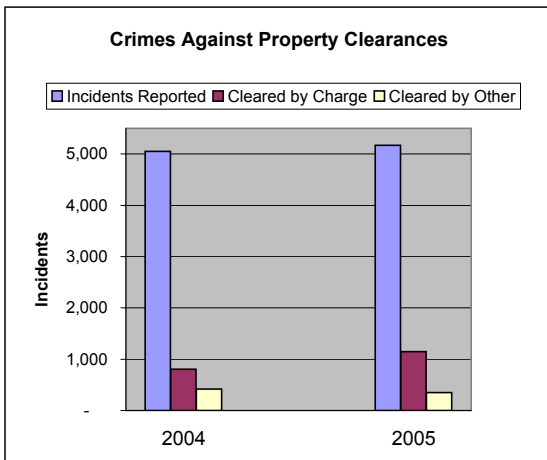
General fraud offences include by telemarketing, securities and financial institution, insurance, government claims and computer fraud. Counterfeit Canadian bills Canadian bills passed in commercial enterprises account for the bulk of the counterfeiting incidents.

# Crimes Against Property

	INCIDENTS REPORTED				CLEARED BY CHARGE			CLEARED BY OTHER			% CLEARANCE RATE	
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
<b>Other Property Crimes</b>												
Mischief	603	589	-14	-2.3%	116	167	51	81	52	-29	32.7%	37.2%
Mischief to Vehicle	691	708	17	2.5%	63	61	-2	30	20	-10	13.5%	11.4%
Arson	40	51	11	27.5%	5	9	4	3	5	2	20.0%	27.5%
<b>Total Other Property Crimes:</b>	<b>1,334</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>22.3%</b>	<b>23.3%</b>

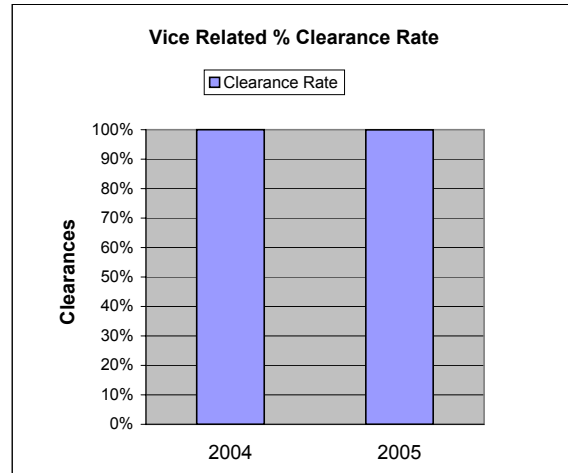
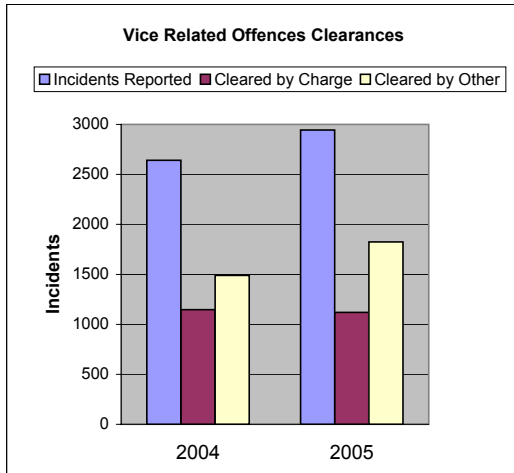


## Graphic Summation of Crimes Against Property



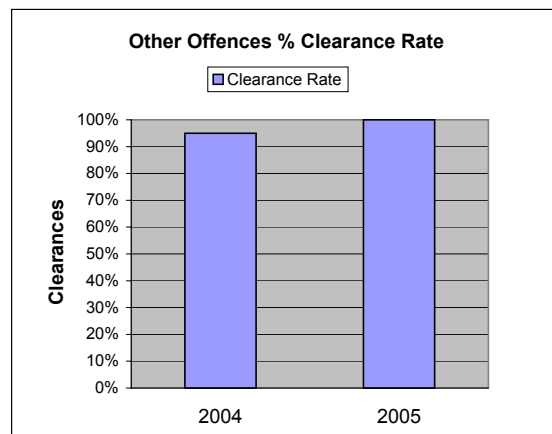
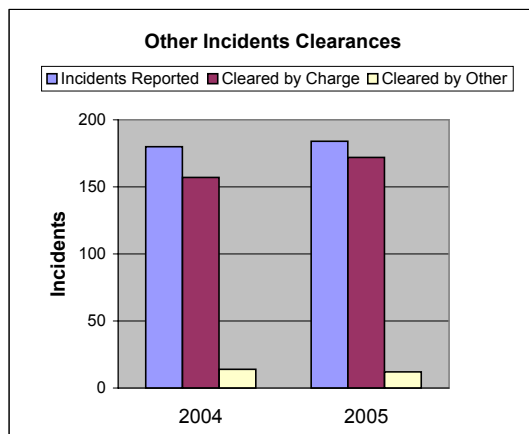
## Vice Crimes

	INCIDENTS REPORTED				CLEARED BY CHARGE			CLEARED BY OTHER			% CLEARANCE RATE	
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
Prostitution / Soliciting	25	1	-24	-96.0%	25	1	-24	0	0	0	100.0%	100.0%
Gaming	1	0	-1	-100.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Liquor/Intoxication	2436	2780	344	12.4%	974	962	-12	1462	1818	356	100.0%	100.0%
Drugs - Possession	120	102	-18	-15.0%	91	98	7	28	4	-24	99.2%	100.0%
Drugs - Trafficking / Importing / Cultivation	59	61	2	3.4%	57	58	1	0	2	2	96.6%	98.4%
<b>Total Vice Offences:</b>	<b>2641</b>	<b>2944</b>	<b>-41</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>1147</b>	<b>1119</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>1490</b>	<b>1824</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>99.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



## Other Offences

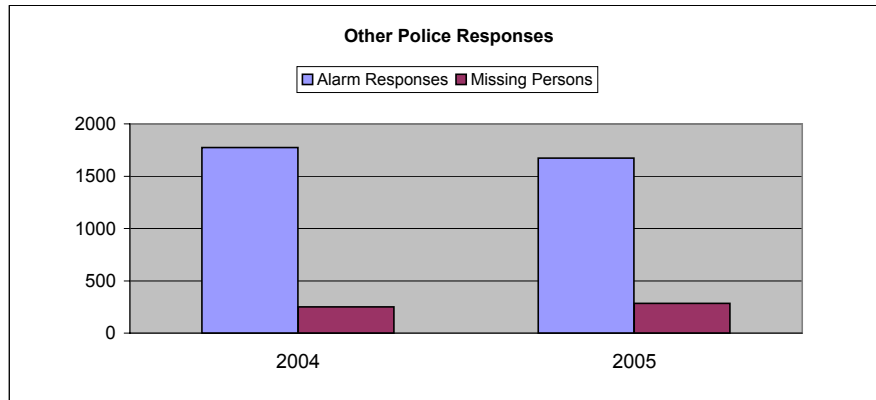
	INCIDENTS REPORTED				CLEARED BY CHARGE			CLEARED BY OTHER			% CLEARANCE RATE	
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005	CHNG	2004	2005
Explosives / Weapons	123	129	6	4.9%	111	120	9	6	4	-2	95.1%	96.1%
Public Mischief	17	19	2	11.8%	11	13	2	6	3	-1	100.0%	84.2%
Other Federal Statutes	27	34	7	25.9%	26	32	6	1	2	1	100.0%	100.0%
Other Provincial Statute	13	2	11	-84.6%	9	7	-2	1	3	2	76.9%	500.0%
<b>Total Other Offences:</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



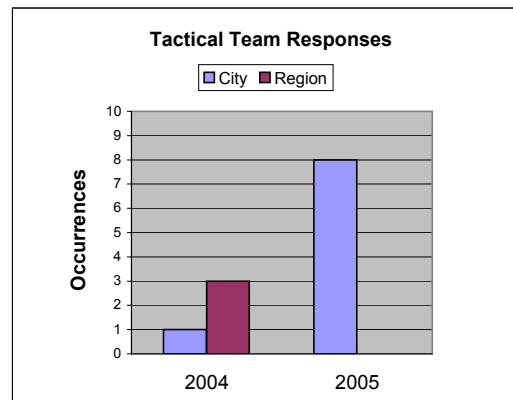
Explosives and weapons offences include bomb threats, unlawfully discharging a firearm, careless use or storage of a firearm, possession of prohibited, restricted or offensive weapons and weapon documentation offences. In 2004, incidents of this nature increased considerably, 8.9% over 2003.

## Other Police Responses

	INCIDENTS REPORTED			
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
<b>Alarms</b>				
Alarms - False	1726	1619	-107	-6.2%
Alarms - Genuine	47	55	8	17.0%
<b>Total Alarm Responses:</b>	<b>1773</b>	<b>1674</b>	<b>-99</b>	<b>-5.6%</b>
<b>Missing Persons</b>				
Adult Missing Persons	71	74	3	4.2%
Youth Missing Persons	181	209	28	15.5%
<b>Total Missing Persons:</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>12.3%</b>

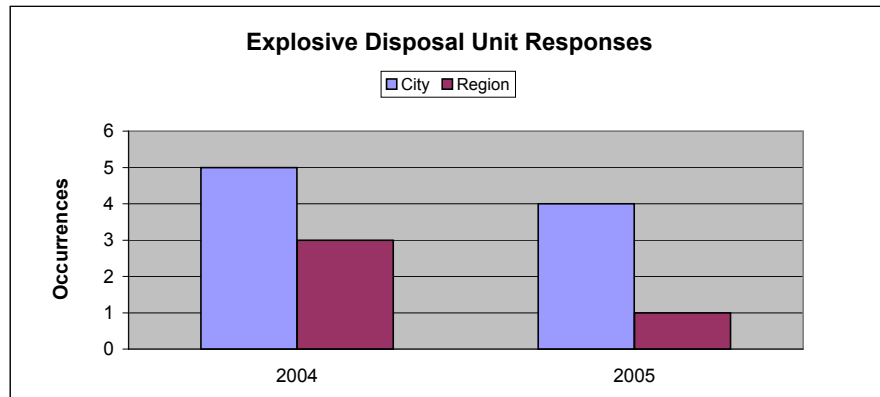


	INCIDENTS REPORTED			
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
<b>Tactical Team Responses</b>				
City Response	1	8	7	700.0%
Regional Response	3	0	-3	-100.0%
<b>Total Tactical Team Responses:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
High Risk Warrant Execution	2	6	4	200.0%
Weapons/Violence Offences	2	8	6	300.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>250.0%</b>



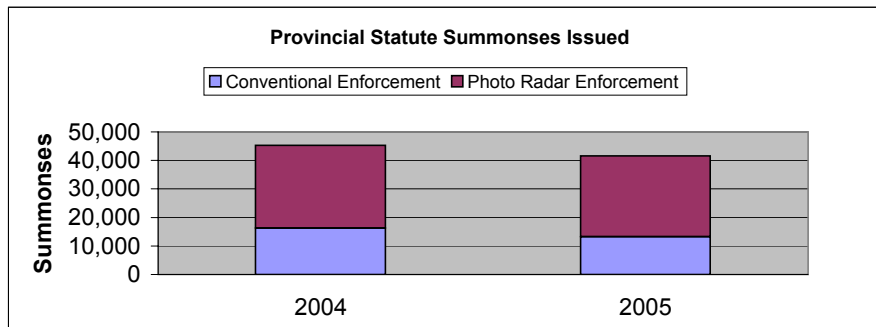
## Other Police Responses

	INCIDENTS REPORTED			
	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
<b>Explosives Disposal Unit</b>				
City Response	5	4	-1	-20.0%
Regional response	3	1	-2	-66.7%
<b>Total EDU Responses:</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-37.5%</b>



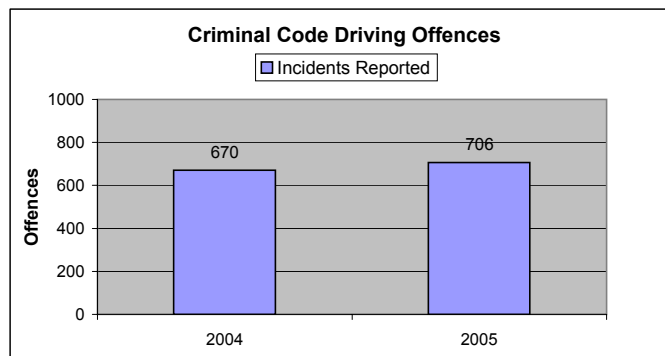
## Provincial Statute Summons Issued

	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
Conventional Enforcement	16,294	13,211	-3083	-18.90%
Photo Radar Enforcement	29,049	28,336	-713	-2.45%
<b>Total Summons Issued</b>	<b>45,343</b>	<b>41,547</b>	<b>-3796</b>	<b>-8.40%</b>



## Criminal Code Driving Offences

	INCIDENTS REPORTED			%CHNG
	2004	2005	CHNG	
Impaired Driving	251	257	6	2.4%
Impaired Driving Causing Bodily Harm	0	3	3	300.0%
Impaired Driving Causing Death	0	0	0	0.0%
Dangerous Driving	141	164	23	16.3%
Dangerous Driving Cause Bodily Harm	0	3	3	300.0%
Dangerous Driving Cause Death	0	1	1	100.0%
Drive Over .08	215	213	-2	-0.9%
Refuse to Provide Sample	22	34	12	54.5%
Evading Police	6	8	2	33.3%
Evading Police Causing Bodily Harm	0	1	1	100.0%
Evading Police Causing Death	0	0	0	0.0%
Drive While Disqualified	24	16	-8	-33.3%
Fail to remain at Collision Scene	11	6	-5	-45.5%
<b>Total Criminal Driving Offences:</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5.4%</b>



## Collision Statistics

### COLLISION ANALYSIS

	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
FATAL COLLISIONS	1	2	1	100.00%
INJURY COLLISIONS	370	410	40	10.81%
PROPERTY DAMAGE COLLISIONS	1741	1985	244	14.01%
M/V HIT & RUN COLLISIONS PROPERTY DAMAGE	557	717	160	28.73%
HIT & RUN COLLISIONS FATALITY	0	0	0	0.00%
HIT & RUN COLLISIONS INJURY	25	35	10	40.00%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>2694</b>	<b>3149</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>16.89%</b>

### INJURY

	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
VEHICLE DRIVER	240	293	53	22.08%
VEHICLE PASSENGER	64	269	205	320.31%
PEDESTRIAN	31	37	6	19.35%
BICYCLIST	27	25	-2	-7.41%
MOTORCYCLIST	8	9	1	12.50%
OTHERS	20	1	-19	-95.00%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>62.56%</b>

### FATALITY

	2004	2005	CHNG	%CHNG
VEHICLE DRIVER	0	0	0	0.00%
VEHICLE PASSENGER	0	1	1	100.00%
PEDESTRIAN	1	1	0	0.00%
BICYCLIST	0	0	0	0.00%
MOTORCYCLIST	0	0	0	0.00%
OTHERS	0	0	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Please note there is some discrepancy between RMS general accident numbers and the totals when broken out by position in vehicle

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## Our Statistical Methodology

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This statistical information is derived from computerized data obtained from Lethbridge Regional Police Service general file search reports. An incident may be comprised of one or more offences or violations of the law, or non-offence occurrences. Data is calculated on a calendar year basis consisting of data for January 1 through December 31.

### OFFENCES

OFFENCES are counted based on the occurrence date. CLEARANCES are counted in the month the offence is CLEARED BY CHARGE or CLEARED OTHERWISE. An offence is CLEARED BY CHARGE when at least one offender has been identified and charged in connection with that offence. An offence is CLEARED OTHERWISE when at least one offender has been identified and there is sufficient evidence to lay a charge but no charge is laid for one of the following reasons:

- a) the offender dies or is committed to a mental institution,
- b) the complainant or an essential witness dies,
- c) the offender is less than 12 years old,
- d) the offender has diplomatic immunity or there is government policy preventing prosecution,
- e) the offender is not in Canada and cannot be returned,
- f) the offender has been charged or is serving a sentence for another incident and it is decided not to proceed with a charge for this particular offence,
- g) the complainant does not wish prosecution against the offender,
- h) the police decide to warn the offender or recommend the offender for the Alternative Measures Program instead of laying a charge.

### PERCENT CHANGE

The PERCENT CHANGE for incidents reported is calculated by subtracting the number of incidents for the preceding year from the number of incidents for the current year, dividing by the number of incidents for the preceding year, then converting to a percent by multiplying by 100.

For example, if there were 496 assaults in 2004 and 512 assaults in 2005, then the percent change is calculated as follows:  $(512-496)/496 \times 100 = 3.2\%$ .

### CLEARANCE RATE

The CLEARANCE RATE is calculated by dividing the actual offences reported by the total offences cleared (offences cleared by charge plus offences cleared by other). Clearances also include offences reported in previous months and years; therefore for some offence types the clearance rate may exceed 100%.

### TRAFFIC OFFENCES

TRAFFIC OFFENCES are counted based on the occurrence date. Generally, a traffic offence relates to a charge laid for a specific violation. Abandoned vehicles and hit and run collisions are exceptions. They are reported and cleared in the same manner as non-traffic offences.

### NON OFFENCE OCCURRENCES

NON OFFENCE OCCURRENCES are counted based on the occurrence data. There are no clearances related to these occurrences.



