Caddo Parish crime continues to decline

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Crime in Caddo Parish dropped 14 percent in 2018 falling to its lowest level in at least 20 years, said Caddo Sheriff Steve Prator.

Overall, there were 1,174 crimes reported in 2018 compared to 2,519 in 1999, a drop of 54 percent over 20 years. There was a 14 percent decrease when comparing 2018 to 2017. Annual year-to-year comparisons have shown decreases every year under Prator's leadership with the exception of a less than one percent increase in 2007 and no percentage change in 2012 and 2015.

End-of-the-year statistics for 2018 compared to 2017 showed a nine percent drop in violent crime from 518 to 470 offenses and a 17 percent drop in property crime from 849 to 704 offenses. The total difference in crimes was 1,174 offenses compared to 1,367 the previous year.

Crime statistics for Caddo Parish do not include Shreveport or other incorporated areas of the parish, which have their own police departments. In the rural areas, there were fewer rapes, burglaries, simple assaults, shopliftings, and thefts. Auto theft increased by five offenses and robbery increased by three offenses. Homicides remained the same in 2018 as in 2017 with two reported.

Caddo Sheriff's deputies responded to 29,348 citizen-initiated calls for service and 10,169 deputy-initiated calls in 2018. They conducted 26,219 business checks, 20,099 residential checks, and 76,136 area checks. They also made 721 felony arrests, 1,291 misdemeanor arrests, and 154 DWI arrests.

"Crime has been on a steady decline in the rural parts of Caddo Parish since the year 2000," Prator said. "Overall, citizens are more aware and involved with what's going on in their community. Our deputies are responsive to their needs, whether that's through citizen surveys or staying ahead of problems with operations targeting burglaries, robberies, and traffic safety.

"Providing a safe place for citizens to live and raise their families is and will always be our number one priority," he said.

Attachments

Number Of Offenses December		Number of Offenses YTD (Jan- Dec)			
2018	2017	%Diff	2018	2017	%Diff
0	1	-100%	2	2	0%
2	1	100%	22	24	-8%
0	3	-100%	15	12	25%
0	0	0%	4	6	-33%
18	16	13%	182	230	-21%
1	1	0%	56	79	-29%
12	12	0%	189	165	15%
13	20	-35%	172	210	-18%
0	0	0%	0	0	0%
				92	0%
	1	0%	10	43	-77%
			0	0	0%
					-16%
		100%	46	48	-4%
					0%
0	0	0%	0	1	-100%
5	3	67%	71	66	8%
84	95	-12%	1174	1367	-14%
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CADDO PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME STATISTICS 1999 - 2018							
Year	Violent Crime	Property Crime	Overall Crime	% Change			
1999	1071	1448	2519				
2000	1170	1382	2552	19			
2001	1203	1320	2523	-19			
2002	1107	1378	2485	-2'			
2003	1190	1261	2451	-1			
2004	1083	1257	2340	-5'			
2005	1113	1078	2191	-6			
2006	1039	1038	2077	-5			
2007	1096	998	2094	1			
2008	987	976	1963	-6			
2009	914	931	1845	-6			
2010	816	932	1748	-5			
2011	763	944	1707	-2			
2012	681	1025	1706	0			
2013	591	928	1519	-11			
2014	652	852	1504	-1			
2015	652	857	1509	0			
2016	578	829	1407	-7			
2017	518	849	1367	-3			
2018	470	704	1174	-14			