



DEFINITION

Arson is to unlawfully and intentionally damage, or attempt to damage, any real or personal property by fire or incendiary devices.

ANALYSIS

VOLUME

The number of arson offenses reported in Michigan for 2015 was 1,999. This is a reported increase of 17 percent from 2014 and a 24 percent decrease since 2011.

The largest number of offenses occurred in the month of February and the least amount were committed in January.

RATE

The crime rate for this offense was 20 for every 100,000 persons. In 2014, the crime rate was 17 per 100,000 persons.

CLEARANCES

Law enforcement agencies cleared 246 incidents by an arrest or exceptional clearance out of the 1,912 incidents reported. This calculates to a 13 percent clearance rate. In 2014, the clearance rate was 15 percent.

NATURE

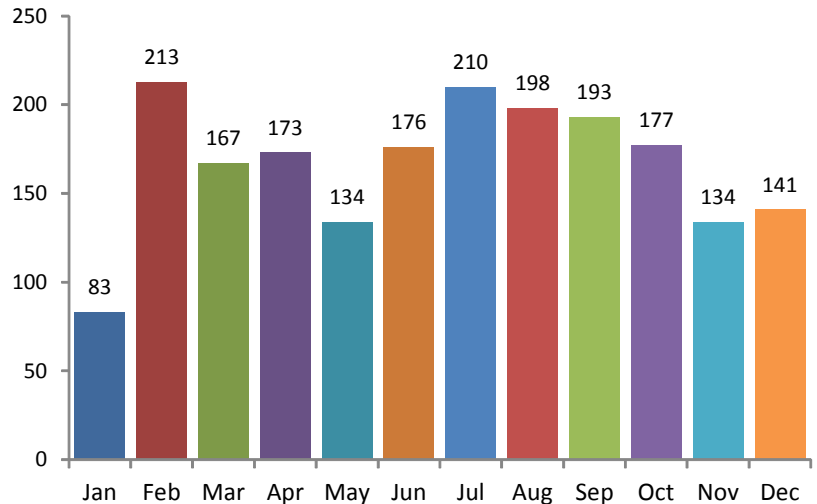
In 2015, 17 percent of the arsons were committed on Saturdays. Fridays reported the least amount of arsons at 12 percent.

Sixty-two (62) percent of the arsons occurred most often at a Residence/Home. Thirteen (13) percent of the arsons occurred at the location of Highway/Road/Alley.

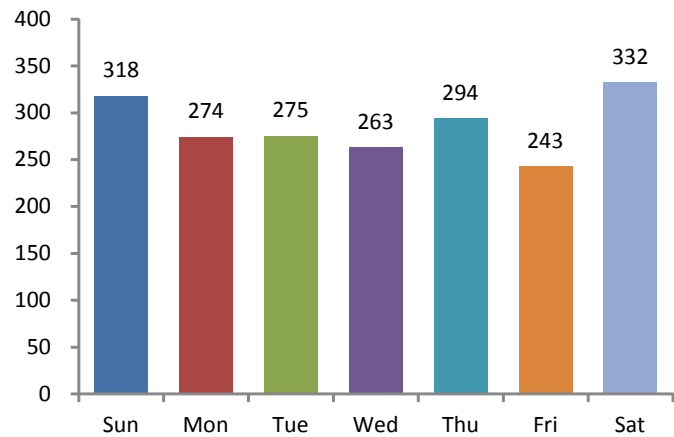
In 25 percent of the offenses reported to law enforcement agencies, the suspect or offender was Unknown. Males were involved in 39 percent of the Arson offenses while 11 percent were Females. In 17 percent of the offenses, the gender was Unknown.

White Males committed 19 percent of the arsons and Black Males committed 16 percent. Black Females committed six percent of the offenses and White Females committed four percent.

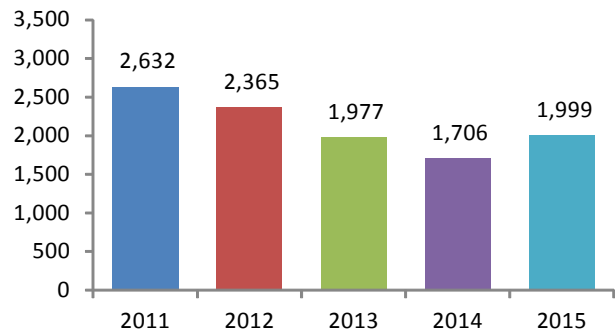
Offenses by Month



Offenses by Day



**5-Year Trend
 Number of Offenses**



		Arrests By Age, Sex, and Race										Total
		FEMALE				MALE						
		Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	White	Total	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	Unknown	White	Total	
Age Group												
TOTAL JUVENILES	10 & Under	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
	11-12	0	1	2	3	0	0	4	0	6	10	13
	13-14	0	1	2	3	0	0	9	0	11	20	23
	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	7	10	11
	16	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	7	9	10
	Total	0	3	5	8	0	0	19	0	31	50	58
TOTAL ADULTS	17	0	3	1	4	0	0	10	0	3	13	17
	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	5	6	7
	19	0	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	5	7	9
	20	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	4	5
	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	3
	22	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	4	7	8
	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	6	6
	24	0	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	1	2	5
	25-29	0	3	1	4	0	0	8	1	15	24	28
	30-34	0	3	1	4	0	0	7	1	7	15	19
	35-39	1	3	7	11	0	0	8	1	6	15	26
	40-44	0	3	5	8	0	0	1	0	6	7	15
	45-49	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	3	4	9	11
	50-54	0	1	1	2	0	0	4	0	3	7	9
	55-59	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	5	10	10
	60-64	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	4	5
	65 & Above	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	2
Total	1	22	21	44	1	3	56	7	74	141	185	
Grand Total:	1	25	26	52	1	3	75	7	105	191	243	