



2020 Crime in Michigan Report Addendum



Subsequent to the freezing of the data underlying the 2020 Crime in Michigan Report, which occurred on March 1, 2021, the Benton Harbor Department of Public Safety modified their number of reported aggravated assault incidents. These changes resulted in a noticeable decrease in the number of aggravated assaults for the city of Benton Harbor for 2020. Table 1 below represents the violent and property crime numbers for the city of Benton Harbor as published in the 2020 Crime in Michigan Report. Table 2 below represents the 2020 violent and property crime numbers for the city of Benton Harbor after the Benton Harbor Department of Public Safety adjusted their aggravated assault numbers, as well as any other modifications that have been made to their 2020 data as of August 16, 2021. These changes are not reflected anywhere else in the annual Crime in Michigan Report. For questions about these revisions, please contact the Benton Harbor Department of Public Safety.

TABLE 1: Frozen 2019 (as of March 11, 2020) and 2020 (as of March 1, 2021) Data Sets
These numbers can be found in the 2020 Crime in Michigan Report

City and Population	Year	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Agg. Assault	Total Violent Crime	Violent Crime Rate Per 100,000	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft	Total Property Crime	Property Crime Rate Per 100,000
Benton Harbor	Frozen 2019	3	19	19	157	198	2,020.2	75	206	51	332	3,387.4
	Frozen 2020	2	14	13	287	316	3,254.4	68	216	35	319	3,285.3
*Pop: 9,710	Change	-33.3%	-26.3%	-31.6%	82.8%	59.6%	61.1%	-9.3%	4.9%	-31.4%	-3.9%	-3.0%

TABLE 2: Frozen 2019 (as of March 11, 2020) and Live 2020 (as of August 16, 2021) Data Sets
These numbers are not reflected in the 2020 Crime in Michigan Report

City and Population	Year	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Agg. Assault	Total Violent Crime	Violent Crime Rate Per 100,000	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft	Total Property Crime	Property Crime Rate Per 100,000
Benton Harbor	Frozen 2019	3	19	19	157	198	2,020.2	75	206	51	332	3,387.4
	Live 2020	2	14	13	215	244	2,512.9	69	216	35	320	3,295.6
*Pop: 9,710	Change:	-33.3%	-26.3%	-31.6%	36.9%	23.2%	24.4%	-8.0%	4.9%	-31.4%	-3.6%	-33.3%

* 2019 populations are from UCR FBI: <https://ucr.fbi.gov/crime-in-the-u.s/2019/crime-in-the-u.s.-2019/tables/table-8/table-8-state-cuts/michigan.xls> and 2020 Populations are from 2020 FBI estimates.

Counting Crime - Crime counts are determined differently depending on crime category:

- Crimes Against Persons (including Murder, Rape, and Aggravated Assault): Victim counts are used based on an offense hierarchy where only the most serious crime per victim is included in instances where the victim was connected to multiple offenses.
- Robbery: Offense counts are used.
- Burglary: The crime count is the sum of number of premises entered during the commission of burglaries.
- Larceny: Offense counts are used.
- Motor Vehicle Theft: The crime count is the sum of attempted motor vehicle thefts plus the number of vehicles stolen for completed motor vehicle thefts.