2025 PARSONS POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME CLOCK

Offense	Number	Rate* 1 Every
Total Arrest	899	9 hours 42 minutes
Felony Arrest	142	61 hours 41 minutes
Misdemeanor Arrest	756	11 hours 35 minutes
Domestic Violence Cases	141	62 hours 7 minutes
Vehicle Crashes	133	65 hours 52 minutes

Offense	Number	Rate* 1 every
Total Police Workload	29,477	18 minutes
Total Case Reports	2,017	4 hours 20 minutes
Total NIBRS Crime Index	362	24 hours 11 minutes
Felony/ Violent Crimes	96	3 days 19 hours
Property Crimes	266	32 hours 59 minutes
Murders	1	365 days
Rape	4	91 days 6 hours
Robbery	9	40 days 13 hours
Aggravated Assault/Battery	82	4 days 11 hours
Burglary	47	7 days 18 hours
Theft	209	41 hours 55 minutes
Motor Vehicle Theft	10	36 days 12 hours
Arson	8	45 days 15 hours

17-Year Crime Trend Analysis – Parsons, Kansas (2009–2025)

The long-term crime trend in Parsons shows a **significant reduction in overall crime** when compared to 2009, demonstrating the positive impact of sustained law enforcement efforts, community partnerships, and crime prevention initiatives over the past 17 years.

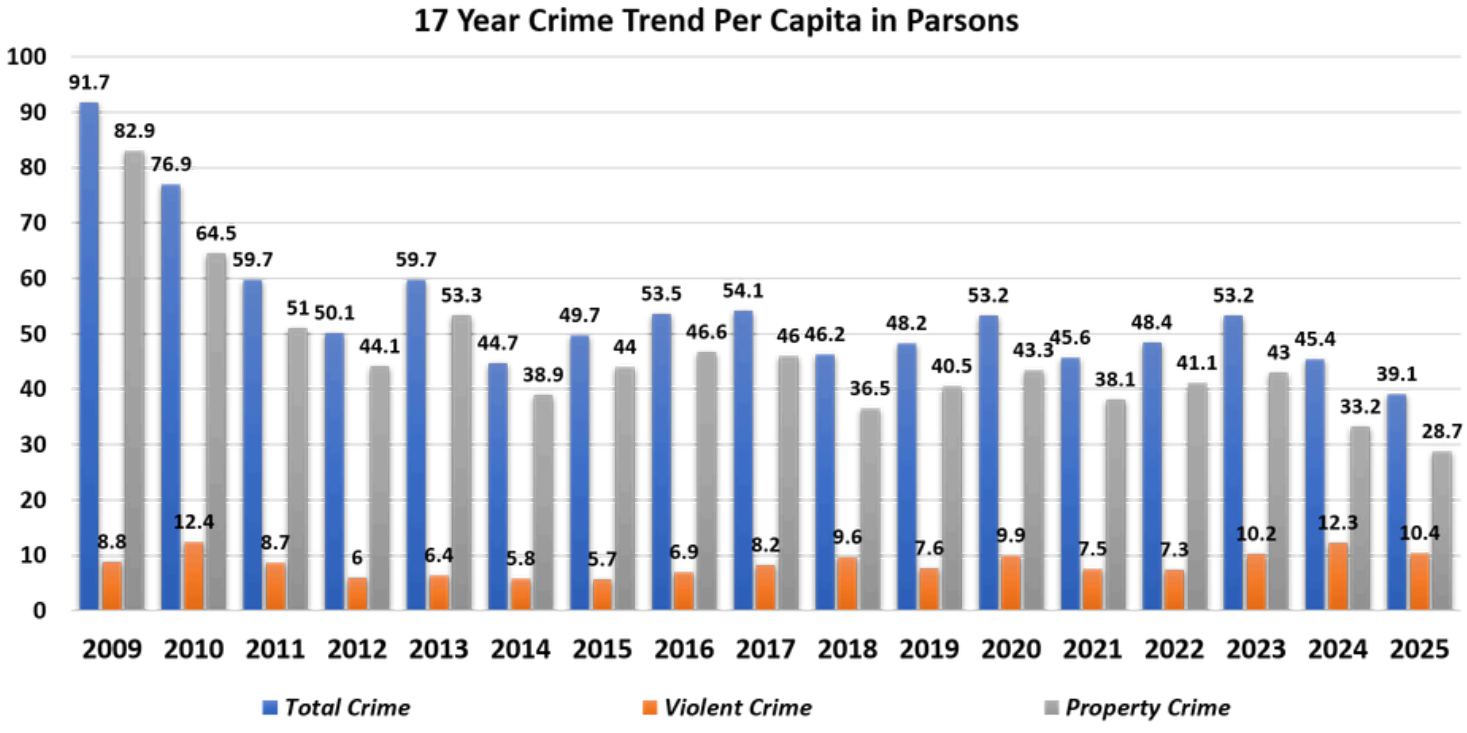
In 2009, Parsons experienced a total crime rate of 91.7 offenses per capita, with property crime accounting for 82.9 and violent crime at 8.8. Since that time, total crime has steadily declined despite normal year-to-year fluctuations. By 2025, the total crime rate had fallen to 39.1, representing an **overall decrease of approximately 57 percent from 2009** levels. Property crime experienced an even greater decline, dropping from 82.9 in 2009 to 28.7 in 2025, a **reduction of nearly 65 percent.**

While violent crime has fluctuated throughout the reporting period, it has remained relatively stable compared to the dramatic reductions seen in property crime. Violent crime rates ranged from a low of 5.7 in 2015 to a high of 12.4 in 2010. In 2025, the violent crime rate was 10.4, which is slightly higher than historical averages but remains a **relatively small portion of overall criminal activity within the community.**

The data also highlights the changing nature of crime in Parsons. Historically, property crimes represented the overwhelming majority of criminal offenses. Although property crime continues to account for most reported crime, its substantial reduction over time has contributed significantly to the overall improvement in community safety. Since 2020, total crime has generally remained below 55 incidents per capita, reflecting a period of relative stability compared to the significantly higher crime levels observed during the late 2000s and early 2010s.

The 2025 data shows a modest increase in violent crime compared to some recent years; however, this increase was offset by one of the **lowest property crime rates recorded during the entire 17-year period**. As a result, total crime remained among the **lowest levels documented since tracking began.**

Overall, the trend demonstrates that **Parsons is a considerably safer community today than it was in 2009.** The sustained decline in total and property crime reflects the combined efforts of the Parsons Police Department, community stakeholders, local businesses, schools, and residents working together to improve public safety. While challenges remain, particularly in addressing violent offenses, the long-term trajectory remains positive and indicates continued progress toward a safer and more secure community.



Actual Crime vs. Crime Rate

Currently, Parsons is the 37th largest community in Kansas, but the 57th Largest Law enforcement agency based on population. The last couple of years there has been a drop in the resident population even as the City has seen growth in economic growth. As resident population shrinks even as employment grows and the city has more people working in the city, that can have an impact on the City's statistical crime per capita numbers.

So while the per capita crime rate for Parsons is listed as (2025 KBI-NIBRS Report):

Rate Per Capita Rank

Total UCR Crime Rate: 39.1 9th in State
Property Crime Rate: 28.7 13th in State
Violent Crime Rate: 10.4 2nd in State

However, when you look at actual numbers of crimes committed then you get a different perspective:

Total UCR Rank

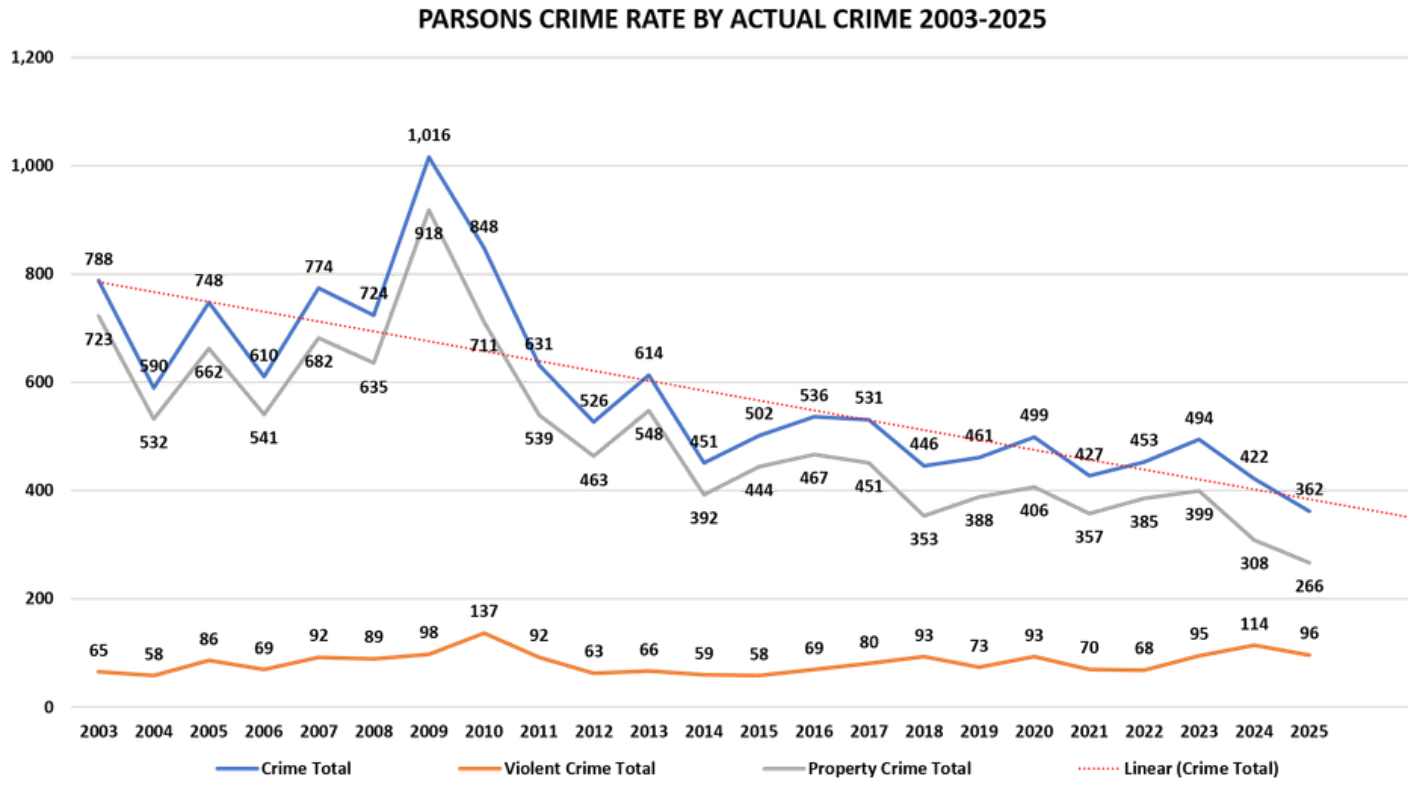
Total UCR Crime Reported: 362 24th in State
Total Property Crime Reported: 266 25th in State
Total Violent Crime Reported: 96 18th in State

Crime prevention involves much more than mere random patrolling by the police. Crime is affected by:

- Poverty
- Lack of Adult Role Models
- Limited Educational Opportunities
- Broken Families
- Lack of Safety Nets (family, friends, faith)
- Parental Criminality
- Neglect and Family Violence

Police do prevent some crime and interdict some criminal behaviors. Over 70% of all policing arrests arise with a traffic stop as a trigger to wanted persons, evidence of other crimes, illegal drugs, etc. There are no simple answers without community investment, community involvement and community ownership in building that All American Community one step at a time.

City	Total Crime
Wichita PD	23,379
Kansas City PD	6,698
Topeka PD	5,447
Overland Park PD	3,258
Lawrence PD	2,289
Olathe PD	1,642
Salina PD	1,238
Hutchinson PD	1,122
Riley County PD	1,063
Shawnee PD	977
Lenexa PD	834
Leavenworth PD	831
Pittsburg PD	694
Garden City PD	625
Sedgwick County Sheriff	600
Junction City PD	574
Shawnee County Sheriff	571
Merriam PD	516
Emporia PD	516
Mission PD	502
Newton PD	412
Winfield PD	409
Leawood PD	366
Parsons PD	362
Arkansas City PD	325
Dodge City PD	283
Wellington PD	258
McPherson PD	255
Hays PD	252
Park City PD	246



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Take a Proactive Stance On Crime Prevention

Community Safety & Domestic Violence Prevention: A Shared Responsibility

In 2025, the Parsons Police Department continued to emphasize the importance of proactive community engagement in crime prevention, with a strong focus on domestic violence awareness and intervention. Our guiding philosophy, "See It, Hear It, Report It," remains a call to action for every citizen to play a role in creating a safer, more resilient Parsons.

Domestic violence remains one of the most significant public safety concerns in our community. In fact, nearly one-third of all violent crime in the City of Parsons stems from felony domestic violence cases. These crimes often occur behind closed doors, making early detection and community support critical to prevention. The police alone cannot combat this issue—we rely on our residents, neighborhoods, and community partners to help identify signs of abuse and connect those in need with life-saving resources.

Preventing domestic violence requires a community-wide commitment. Faith-based organizations, counseling services, shelters, and concerned individuals all serve as vital lifelines for those living in dangerous or unstable home environments. If you know someone who is struggling, encourage them to seek help. Your voice may be the first step in breaking the cycle.

If you or someone you know is struggling with domestic abuse please call the Parsons Police Departments Domestic Violence Unit at (620) 421-7060 and speak to Cyprus or Detective Adamson. You can also contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 or Text "START" to 88788 or visit www.thehotline.org

Building a Safer Parsons Together

While domestic violence remains a serious challenge, the principles of crime prevention apply broadly across our community. Most crimes of opportunity can be reduced—or prevented entirely—by taking simple, proactive measures to avoid vulnerability. In 2025, the Parsons Police Department continued to educate the public on how to safeguard their homes, vehicles, and neighborhoods.

We encourage every resident to practice the following safety habits:

- Always lock your doors—at home and in your vehicle.
- Use security and motion-sensor lighting around your property.
- Remove valuables from vehicles, especially overnight.
- Dispose of packaging for high-value purchases on trash day only.
- Maintain records (including serial numbers) for valuable items.
- Install security cameras and alarm systems when possible.
- Know your neighbors and watch out for each other.
- Report suspicious activity immediately—"See It, Hear It, Report It"

Looking Ahead

As we reflect on 2025, we remain steadfast in our mission to reduce domestic violence, protect the vulnerable, and foster a culture of safety throughout Parsons. True prevention starts with awareness, continues with community action, and ends with intervention when necessary. With your continued support, we will keep working toward a safer, stronger future.