

NANAIMO RCMP

2024 Annual Statistics

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2024 Annual Statistics Report

Summary

- In 2024, **Calls for Service** decreased by -6% (-2,578 calls) from 2023 and is at its lowest over the past 5 years.
- **Property Crime** has decreased moderately in the past two years, with a -12% decrease in 2023 and -7% decrease in 2024. **Person Violent Crime**, however, has had very little change, decreasing by only -1% in 2023 and -1% in 2024.
- Overall, the primary drivers for the **Property Crime** decreases in 2024 were decreases in **Mischief to Property** (-260 files), **Theft from Vehicle** (-164 files), and **Other Theft** (-89 files).
- Out of the *Criminal Code* offences, **Shoplifting** had the largest increase in 2024 with a 26% increase (+183 files). The offence which saw the largest decrease was **Theft from vehicle**, which declined by -23% (-164 files).
- **CDSA Offences** saw large increases in 2024 largely due to the recriminalization of public drug possession in May
- In 2024, there was a -12% decrease in **Calls for Service** (-1,279 calls) within the downtown area of Nanaimo, leading to a -12% decrease in **Persons Violent Crime** (-74 files) as well as a -13% decrease in **Property Crime** (-228 files) downtown.
- **Mental Health Related** files decreased by -12 % (-329 files) in 2024. In addition to this, **MHA Apprehension** decreased by -9% (-76) in 2024.

Data Caveats

- 1) Data was retrieved from PRIME RMS on 2024-01-10.
- 2) Offence data includes only first-line UCR scoring (i.e. the most serious offence) unless otherwise noted.
- 3) Unfounded, assist files, and non-reportable files are excluded from the data unless otherwise noted.
- 4) Calls for service data reflects all PRIME files for the given date range (including online reports and cancelled files).

5-Year Overview

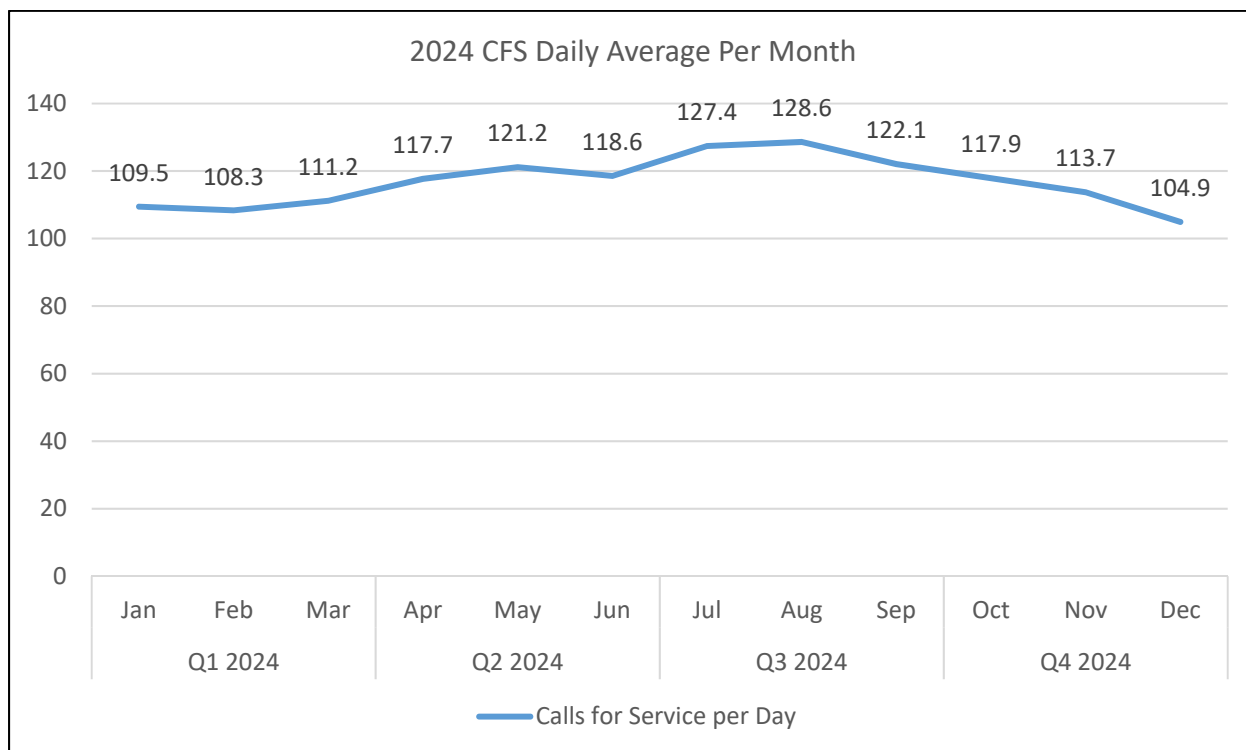
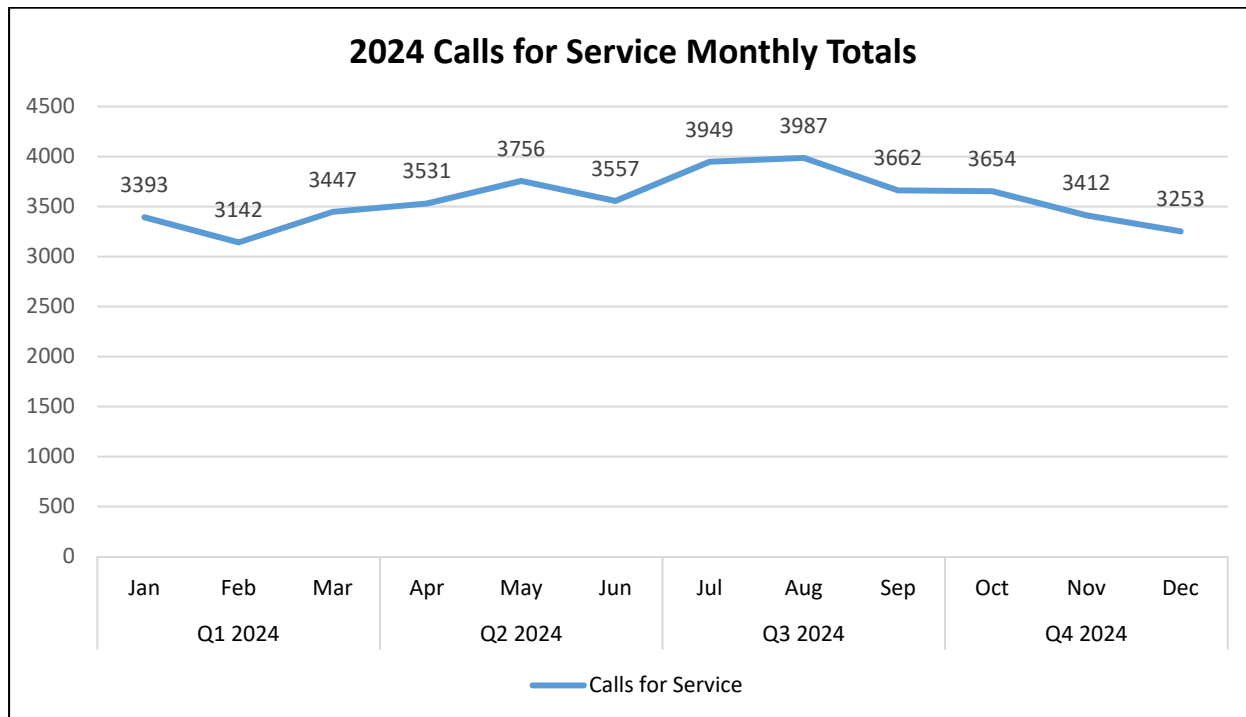
File Type	2020*	2021	2022	2023	2024*	5 Year Trendline
Criminal Code Offences	12,696	13,292	13,442	12,143	11,491	
Persons Violent Crime	2,147	2,624	2,666	2,630	2,605	
Property Crime	7,320	7,365	7,664	6,768	6,314	
Other CC Offences	3,229	3,303	3,112	2,745	2,572	
Non-CC Offences	3,296	3,462	3,430	3,696	3,525	
CDSA Offences	435	455	422	223	458	
Federal Statutes	15	16	20	26	64	
Provincial Statutes	2,525	2,573	2,520	2,962	2,574	
Traffic Offences	321	418	468	485	429	
Total Offences	15,992	16,754	16,872	15,839	15,016	
Total Calls for Service	46,780	48,120	45,787	45,321	42,743	

*2020 and 2024 are both leap-years and therefore contain 366 days of data.

- **Calls for Service (CFS)** decreased annually after 2021, with 2024 having the lowest CFS in the 5-year span.
- Of the *Criminal Code* offence types, **Persons Violent Crime** has remained relatively unchanged since 2021; however, both **Property Crime** and **Other CC Offences** have declined in recent years.
- **CDSA Offences** saw a large decrease in 2023 due to the decriminalization of public drug possession under 2.5 grams but has since returned to previous totals after public drug use was re-criminalized in May 2024.
- **Federal Statute Offences** have increased steadily since 2020. This is primarily due to the increased enforcement of *Excise Act* offences (unstamped cigarettes).
- **Provincial Statute Offences** had a large increase in 2023 due to increases in trespassing and public intoxication; however, 2024 saw a decrease in these offences and are now similar to 2021 and 2022 totals.

2024 Calls for Service Overview

- Q3 contained the most **Calls for Service** with a high of 3,987 CFS in August, which also contained the highest daily CFS average with 128.6 calls per day.



2024 Calls for Service Breakdown

Jurisdiction	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
Municipal	9,296	10,045	10,631	9,495	42,141	39,467	-6%
Provincial	686	799	967	824	3,180	3,276	3%
Total Calls for Service	9,982	10,844	11,598	10,319	45,321	42,743	-6%

- In 2024, municipal calls for service decreased by -6% (-2,674 calls) whereas provincial calls for service increased by 3% (+96 calls).
- Total calls for service decreased by -6% (-2,578 calls) in 2024.

2024 Quarterly Summary

File Type	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
Criminal Code Offences	2,680	2,786	3,105	2,920	12,143	11,491	-5%
Persons Violent Crime	602	699	700	604	2,630	2,605	-1%
Property Crime	1,559	1,443	1,653	1,659	6,768	6,314	-7%
Other CC Offences	519	644	752	657	2,745	2,572	-6%
Non-CC Offences	807	1,023	910	785	3,696	3,525	-5%
CDSA Offences	49	141	176	92	223	458	105%
Federal Statutes	5	20	15	24	26	64	146%
Provincial Statutes	636	742	619	577	2,962	2,574	-13%
Traffic Offences	117	120	100	92	485	429	-12%
Total Offences	3,487	3,809	4,015	3,705	15,839	15,016	-5%
Total Calls for Service	9,982	10,844	11,598	10,319	45,321	42,743	-6%

- **CDSA Offences** and **Federal Statute Offences** were the only offence types to see increases in 2024. These were largely due to the re-criminalization of public drug use and the increased enforcement of unstamped cigarettes.

% Change Legend	
	Decrease
	1-15% increase
	15% or greater increase

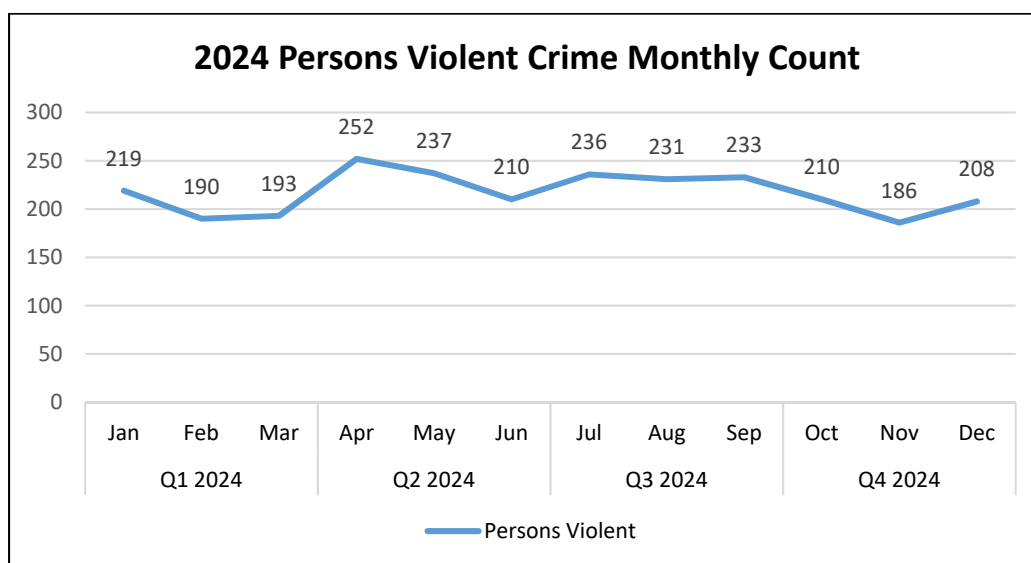
2024 Persons Violent Crime Overview

OFFENCE GROUP	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
ASSAULTS - ALL	254	328	334	262	1,142	1,178	3%
ASSAULT - COMMON	189	237	259	209	848	894	5%
ASLT - WEAPON OR CBH	58	76	64	43	240	241	0%
ASSAULT - AGGRAVATED	1	2	1	1	12	5	-58%
ASSAULT - POLICE	6	12	8	7	30	33	10%
ASSAULT - OTHER	0	1	2	2	12	5	-58%
EXTORTION	12	20	28	18	97	78	-20%
HARASSMENT	110	118	127	129	446	484	9%
HOMICIDE	1	0	1	0	2	2	0%
KIDNAPPING/CONFINEMENT	2	2	1	2	8	7	-13%
ROBBERY	12	22	8	10	67	52	-22%
SEX OFFENCES ¹	53	36	37	45	194	171	-12%
UTTER THREATS	154	168	161	136	664	619	-7%
WEAPONS OFFENCES ²	4	3	4	0	5	11	120%

1) Sexual Assault, Sexual Interference, Child Luring, Distribution of Intimate Images w/o Consent, and Voyeurism.

2) Firearm Pointing and Intimidation with Firearm.

- In 2024, **Assaults** increased by 3% (+36 files) from 2023.
- Violent **Weapons Offences**, which includes firearm pointing and intimidation with a firearm (with real or imitation firearms) increased by +6 files from 2023; however, there were no files in Q4 2024.
- **Extortion, Robbery, Sex Offences, and Utter Threats** all had moderate decreases in 2024



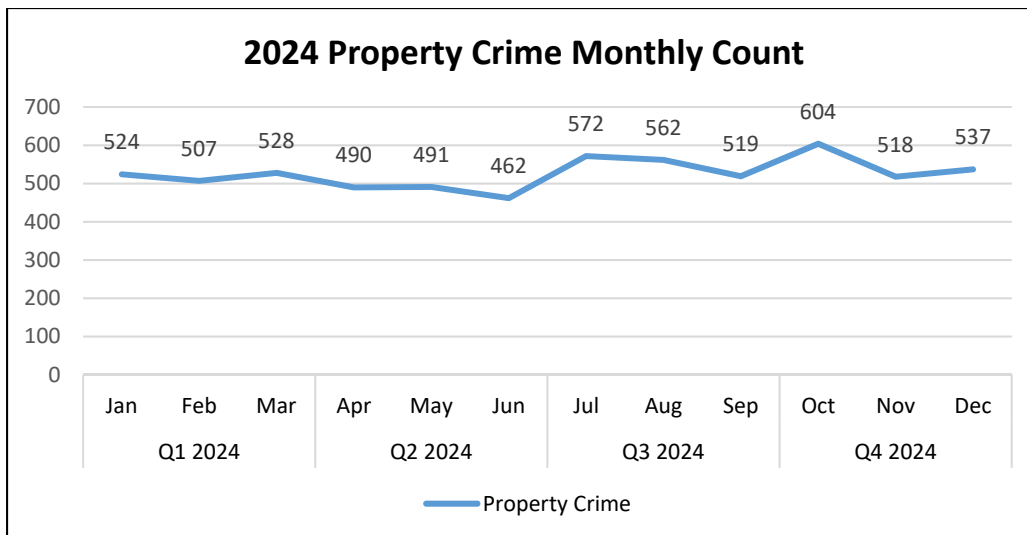
April 2024 contained the highest monthly count of **Persons Violent Crime** with 252 files. November saw the lowest total monthly count with 186.

2024 Property Crime Overview

OFFENCE GROUP	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
ARSON/FIRES	28	26	29	23	94	106	13%
AUTO THEFT ¹	86	36	55	77	276	254	-8%
BIKE THEFT	21	34	47	14	118	116	-2%
BREAK & ENTER - ALL	162	85	112	102	483	461	-5%
BREAK & ENTER - BUSINESS	66	44	54	45	192	209	9%
BREAK & ENTER - RESIDENCE	41	21	39	33	153	134	-12%
BREAK & ENTER - OTHER	55	20	19	24	138	118	-14%
FRAUDS	209	177	176	171	770	733	-5%
MISCHIEF TO PROPERTY	569	572	600	625	2,626	2,366	-10%
OTHER THEFT	158	155	204	182	788	699	-11%
POSSESS STOLEN PROPERTY	42	24	48	41	161	155	-4%
SHOPLIFTING	200	199	236	246	698	881	26%
THEFT FROM MAIL	2	7	6	3	19	18	-5%
THEFT FROM VEHICLE	100	132	146	183	725	561	-23%

1) Auto Theft also includes attempted theft of auto and take auto without consent.

- In 2024, **Shoplifting** increased by 26% (+183 files) from 2023.
- **Arsons** and **Break & Enter – Business** both had small increases in 2024.
- **Theft from Vehicle** decreased significantly by -23% (-164 files).



Total **Property Crime** offences reached a high of 604 files in October and a low of 462 files in June.

2024 Other Criminal Code Offences

OFFENCE GROUP	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
ANIMAL CRUELTY	2	4	3	4	10	13	30%
BREACH OF CONDITIONS	89	93	101	109	382	392	3%
CAUSE DISTURBANCE	334	435	516	429	1,827	1,714	-6%
CHILD PORN/INDECENT ACTS	15	20	22	21	71	78	10%
COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY	6	2	7	3	28	18	-36%
WEAPONS OFFENCES ¹	40	44	42	34	201	160	-20%

1) Other Weapons Offences includes Weapons Possession, Careless Use of Firearm, and Unsafe Storage.

- There were moderate declines in both **Counterfeit Currency** (-36%) and **Weapons Offences** (-20%) in 2024.

2024 CDSA, Mental Health, and Other Occurrences

OFFENCE GROUP	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2023 Total	2024 Total	% Change
DRUG POSSESSION	32	115	142	73	127	362	185%
DRUG PRODUCTION	0	2	1	1	6	4	-33%
DRUG TRAFFICKING	17	24	32	17	86	90	5%
FLIGHT FROM PEACE OFFICER ¹	26	6	20	15	76	67	-12%
MISSING PERSONS ²	212	244	249	207	914	912	0%
CHECK WELL-BEING ²	690	693	806	644	2,814	2,833	1%
TRESPASS	566	631	545	528	2,478	2,270	-8%
MENTAL HEALTH RELATED ³	571	595	599	613	2,707	2,378	-12%
MHA APPREHENSIONS	180	192	177	189	814	738	-9%

1) Flight from PO data includes all levels of UCR scoring in order capture files that have more serious offences.

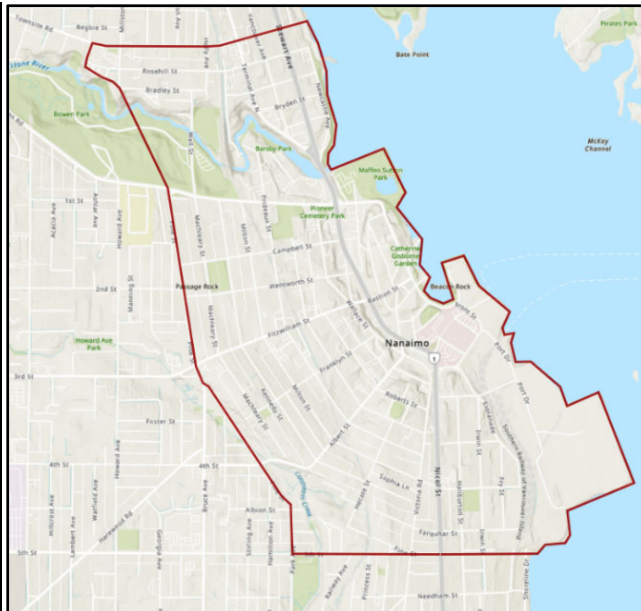
2) Missing Persons and Check Well-Being files have a "CCJS Non-Reportable" status as they are not categorized as offences.

3) Mental Health Related files include "Mental Health Act" on any level of UCR scoring, or the file's study flag contains "Mental Health Related".

- In 2024, **Mental Health Related** files decreased by -12% (-329 files) and there were 76 less (-9%) **Mental Health Act Apprehensions**.
- **Missing Persons** and **Check Well-Being** files did not see much change in 2024.
- Files with a **Flight from Peace Officer** offence decreased by -12% (-9 files).

Downtown Crime Summary

Downtown Occurrences	2023 Total	2024 Total	File Count Difference	% Change
Calls for Service	10,680	9,401	-1279	-12%
Persons Violent Crime	593	519	-74	-12%
Assaults	299	299	0	0%
Robbery	33	16	-17	-52%
Weapons Possession	92	88	-4	-4%
Property Crime	1,784	1,556	-228	-13%
Auto Theft	61	47	-14	-23%
Break & Enters	166	150	-16	-10%
Mischief to Property	827	675	-152	-18%
Drug Possession	59	278	219	371%
Drug Trafficking	14	49	35	250%
Cause Disturbance	723	687	-36	-5%
Check Well-Being	783	744	-39	-5%
Mental Health Related	523	416	-107	-20%



The Downtown are is defined by the red border in the above map.

- **Calls for Service** decreased by -12% (-1,279 calls) in the downtown area in 2024.
- **Persons Violent Crime** offences in the downtown area decreased by -12% (-74 files), with **Robbery** decreasing by -52% (-17 files) when compared to 2023.
- There were no changes in the total number of **Assaults**. **Weapons Possession** had a small decrease of -4% (-4 files) in 2024.
- Total **Property Crimes** decreased by -13% (-228 files) in 2024, including decreases in **Auto Theft** (-23%), total **Break & Enters** (-10%), and **Mischief to Property** (-18%).
- CDSA offences, including **Drug Possession** and **Drug Trafficking**, saw large increases in 2024.

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