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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **2009 CRIME RATE DECREASE**

The hard work and dedication of the Plano Police Department has resulted in a crime rate decrease for 2009 with reports of Homicide and Aggravated Assault realizing the biggest decreases. The seven offenses that the FBI collectively terms "Part 1 Crimes" (most commonly referred to outside of Law Enforcement as "Major Crime") are: Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft.

The measurement of crime is calculated in a ratio per 1,000 population and reported accordingly for comparison and crime ranking purposes. In 2009, major crime rates were down 2.7%, the lowest rate in the past 10 years.

Major Crime is broken down into two categories:

- Violent Crime - consists of Homicide, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault;
- Property Crime –consists of Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft.

In 2009, Violent Crime per 1,000 was down in every category with an overall decrease of 24.4% from 2008. Property Crime experienced an increase in Burglary and Motor Vehicle Theft in 2009, but overall Property Crime per 1,000 decreased by 1.1%.



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“We are fortunate in Plano to be one of the safest cities in Texas and enjoy a high quality of life,” said Chief Gregory W. Rushin. “Our low crime rate is the result of the diligent efforts of our employees in cooperation with the community. The Police-Community partnership is the key to maintaining this low crime rate.”

For additional information regarding this decrease in crime rate is available on our webpage at:

<http://www.plano.gov/Departments/Police/CrimeStatistics/Pages/default.aspx>.



# PLANO POLICE DEPARTMENT SUMMARY AND CRIME COMPARISON Year to Date through December 2009



CATEGORY	Year to Date 2008	Year to Date 2009
<b>VIOLENT CRIMES</b>		
Homicide	7	4
Rape	51	43
Robbery	145	143
Aggravated Assault	405	275
Violent Crime Subtotal	608	465
Violent Crime Rate per 1000 (UCR Part I)	2.33	1.76
<b>PROPERTY CRIMES</b>		
Burglary--	1,533	1,512
-Residential	941	978
-Non-Residential	566	560
Larceny	6,171	6,089
Motor Vehicle Theft	388	444
Property Crime Subtotal	8,066	8,071
Property Crime Rate per 1000	30.92	30.60
<b>Total Major Crimes (UCR Part I)</b>	<b>8,674</b>	<b>8,536</b>
Major Crime Rate per 1000 (UCR Part I)	33.25	32.36
<b>Total All Other Crimes (UCR Part II)</b>	<b>14,793</b>	<b>13,251</b>
<b>CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>		
Calls for Service Response - All Police Personnel	114,836	112,832
Calls for Service Response - Patrol	91,044	88,602
Calls for Service Response - PSO & TRU	11,277	14,701
Avg Response Time YTD Priority One (minutes)	5.13	4.83
Avg Response Time YTD All Priorities (minutes)	8.62	8.34
<b>TRAFFIC</b>		
Crashes	5,301	4,928
Fatality Crashes	6	9
Crashes with Injuries	1,620	1,486
People Injured in Crashes	2,288	2,110
<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>260,900</b>	<b>263,800</b>

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