



# Gaithersburg Police Department

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## 2019 ANNUAL CRIME ANALYSIS REPORT

Beginning January 1, 2017, MCPD began reporting details about its individual crime incidents through the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). Since MCPD is the custodian of records for the Gaithersburg Police Department (GPD) we are reporting under NIBRS as well. Under NIBRS, MCPD records all offenses associated with an incident, rather than only the most severe offense, which provides greater specificity in reporting (greater capability to break data into more categories).

Under NIBRS, the department collects and reports incident and arrest data on 52 Group A offenses and 10 Group B offenses. Within the Group A category, incidents are further categorized as crimes against person, property, and society.

For more information about NIBRS visit the FBI website at <https://ucr.fbi.gov/nibrs-overview>.

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Crimes against persons, which includes offenses such as homicide, assaults and sex offenses, increased 10.9% from 541 offenses in 2018 to 600 offenses in 2019. Of the 70 reported aggravated assault offenses in 2019, 29 were assaults against spouses, partners or otherwise domestic related and an additional 16 were by a known suspect. Of the 20 forcible rape offenses, 17 were by known suspects.

Crimes against property, which includes offenses such as burglary, robbery, thefts and vandalisms, increased 2.0% from 1,822 offenses in 2018 to 1,859 offenses in 2019.

Robberies saw a 14.3% decrease from 42 incidents in 2018 to 36 incidents in 2019. Street robberies saw a 3.4% decrease from 29 in 2018 to 28 in 2019 and commercial robberies saw a 50.0% decrease from 6 in 2018 to 3 in 2019.

In 2019, burglaries saw a 10.2% decrease, from 98 incidents in 2018 to 88 incidents in 2019. Residential burglaries decreased by 14.1% from 71 in 2018 to 61 in 2019. Commercial burglaries had no change with 27 incidents reported in both years.

Crimes against society, which includes offenses such as drugs and weapons, decreased 15.2% from 716 offenses in 2018 to 607 offenses in 2019.

Overall, there was a 0.4% decrease in Group A offenses from 3,079 offenses in 2018 to 3,066 offenses in 2019.

**GPD ANNUAL GROUP A OFFENSES**

Offense Category		NIBRS Description	2018	2019	% Diff
<b>CRIMES AGAINST PERSON</b>					
Assault Offenses	Aggravated Assault		70	70	0.0%
	Simple Assault		383	464	21.1%
	Intimidation		15	4	-73.3%
<i>Total Assault Offenses</i>			<b>468</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>15.0%</b>
Homicide Offenses	Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter		0	0	0.0%
Human Trafficking	Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts		3	0	-100.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	Kidnapping/Abduction		2	1	-50.0%
Sex Offenses	Forcible Rape		28	20	-28.6%
	Forcible Sodomy		10	6	-40.0%
	Sexual Assault With An Object		5	7	40.0%
	Fondling		18	19	5.6%
	Forcible Fondling		7	9	28.6%
<i>Total Sex Offenses</i>			<b>68</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>-10.3%</b>
<b>Total Crimes Against Person</b>			<b>541</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>10.9%</b>
<b>CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY</b>					
Arson	Arson		2	6	200.0%
Bribery	Bribery		0	0	0.0%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	Burglary/Breaking and Entering		98	88	-10.2%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	Counterfeiting/Forgery		46	41	-10.9%
Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism of Property	Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism of Property		274	232	-15.3%
Embezzlement	Embezzlement		6	10	66.7%
Extortion/Blackmail	Extortion/Blackmail		1	5	400.0%
Fraud Offenses	False Pretenses/Swindle/ Confidence Game		66	75	13.6%
	Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud		59	56	-5.1%
	Impersonation		3	4	33.3%
	Welfare Fraud		0	0	0.0%
	Wire Fraud		5	4	-20.0%
	Identity Theft		109	96	-11.9%
	<i>Total Fraud Offenses</i>			<b>242</b>	<b>235</b>
Larceny/Theft Offenses	Pocket/picking		8	8	0.0%
	Purse-snatching		5	3	-40.0%
	Shoplifting		351	367	4.6%
	Theft from Building		276	194	-29.7%
	From Coin/ Operated Machine or Device		3	0	-100.0%
	Theft From Motor Vehicle		201	314	56.2%
	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories		72	86	19.4%
	All Other Larceny		122	161	32.0%
<i>Total Larceny/Theft Offenses</i>			<b>1,038</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
Motor Vehicle Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft		70	72	2.9%
Robbery	Robbery		42	36	-14.3%
Stolen Property Offenses	Stolen Property Offenses		3	1	-66.7%
<b>Total Crimes Against Property</b>			<b>1,822</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY</b>					
Drug/Narcotic Violations	Drug/Narcotic Violations		626	518	-17.3%
	Drug Equipment Violations		43	50	16.3%
<i>Total Drug/Narcotic Violations</i>			<b>669</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>-15.1%</b>
Gambling Offenses	Betting/Wagering		0	0	0.0%
	Operating/Promoting/ Assisting Gambling		0	0	0.0%
<i>Total Gambling Offenses</i>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Pornography/Obscene Material	Pornography/Obscene Material		1	1	0.0%
Prostitution Offenses	Prostitution		10	7	-30.0%
	Assisting or Promoting Prostitution		0	2	N/C
Weapon Law Violations	Weapon Law Violations		36	29	-19.4%
<b>Total Crimes Against Society</b>			<b>716</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>-15.2%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3,079</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>

Source: NIBRS data pulled from the MCPD dashboard on 01/21/2020