

Crime in Converse Heights by the Numbers.

1. Calls for Service	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Alarms	135	154	144
Suspicious Activity	116	97	76
Disturbance	76	50	52
Larceny//Theft/Fraud	126	72	92
Traffic Incidents	138	136	60
Animal Issues	20	42	38
Drug Issues	2	1	5
All Other	<u>231</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>197</u>
Total	844	732	664
2. Reported Incidents.			
Theft from Vehicle	51	17	40
Theft from House or Building	28	26	28
Vandalism	16	6	16
Assault	9	6	6
Drug Violations	4	3	8
Alcohol Violations	3	5	4
Theft of Vehicle	3	2	3
Identity Theft	4	2	0
Con Game/Swindle	1	1	3
Credit card/ATM Fraud	2	0	3
Injury/Unattended Death	2	2	1
Weapons Violation	1	0	1
Indecent Exposure	0	1	0
All Other	<u>21</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>
Total	145	81	126

3. On the Street Where You Live.

You are most likely to have something stolen from your car if you live here:

Connecticut Avenue (13 incidents in 3 years)

Crystal Drive (10 incidents in 3 years)

Palmetto Street (10 incidents in 3 years)

Maple Street (9 incidents in 3 years)

Woodland Street (9 incidents in 3 years)

Mills Avenue (7 incidents in 3 years).

You are most likely to have something stolen from your house, yard, or building if you live here:

Norwood Street (12 incidents in 3 years)

Palmetto Street (7 incidents in 3 years)

Maple Street (7 incidents in 3 years)

S. Fairview Avenue (6 incidents in 3 years)

Otis Boulevard (5 incidents in 3 years)

Brentwood, Woodland, Connecticut, Glendalyn Avenue, and Glendalyn Circle all tied with 4.

You are most likely to suffer from vandalism if you live here:

Glendalyn Avenue (6 incidents in 3 years)

Mills Avenue (4 incidents in 3 years)

Maple Street, Palmetto Street, and Connecticut Avenue all tied with 3.

4. Comments.

Palmetto and Maple show up on all 3 “most likely” reports for thieves and vandals.

Over the 3 year period, 19.33% of all calls to Police involved some kind of alarm going off.

Traffic incidents were down in 2014 by almost 60%. Speed humps, better drivers, or less police patrolling in CH?

Animal issues doubled in 2013 over 2012, and stayed steady in 2014.

Suspicious activity reports were down in 2014, but larceny, theft, and fraud increased over the prior year.

How does CH compare to other neighborhoods, and to the City as a whole?

How can we help the Police catch these criminals, and get them off the streets?

5. Methodology.

This information was compiled from documents supplied to me by Major Art Littlejohn of the Spartanburg Police Department.

To make this report more readable, I combined approximately 85 different calls for service into the 8 categories listed under “1.Calls for Service.”

Under “2.Reported Incidents,” I combined approximately 30 different descriptive numbers into the 13 categories listed. (Calls for service were not assigned descriptive numbers.)

For example, under “Assault,” I combined 13A (Aggravated Assault), 13B (Simple Assault), 13C (Intimidation/Stalking), and 753 (Obscene/Harassing Phone Calls).I used my best judgment in making these combinations.

If anyone would like to see the data I used, please email me at wesleylibba@bellsouth.net and I will be happy to forward it to you.

Thank you.

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