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Commerce Police release Annual Crime Statistics

Statistics for Commerce are not as good as last year; however, crime is still down 13% since 2001.

This year, reported crime is up 24% from last years figures, but Commerce Police report that they are still clearing 40% of reported offenses. That is down 3% from last year. This is the first year in the last several that we have had an increase in reported offenses.

Robberies and burglaries attributed in part to this rise in offenses because of a rash of each that occurred during 2007.

Commerce PD has recovered 13% more stolen property in 2007 then in the previous year. Comparing figures from 2002 and 2007, Commerce had a 25% decrease in property stolen. For the same years, police decreased their figures by 3% in property that was not recovered during those years.

In all, Commerce Police are doing a good job in the investigation of major offenses, as well as the recovery of stolen property. We would like our clearances and recovers to be much higher, but we are doing well in our efforts to combat crime.