

Crime Update 2005 : Charnwood Borough



Offences recorded by the police in Charnwood Borough in 2005 were down on the previous year. Although assault continued to increase there were reductions in most crime categories, particularly theft from vehicle, theft of vehicle and fraud & forgery.

The trend lines (right) show the number of recorded offences in Charnwood for the last four calendar years. The total number of offences is shown separately at the top and then selected crime categories are shown below that ranked by the number of offences recorded in 2005 (highest at the top).

All recorded crime has fallen 7.4% in 2005 compared to the previous year and is now at a similar level to that in 2002 and 2003.

Assault continues to rise with more than three thousand offences recorded in 2005.

Damage was down slightly in 2005 following a sharp increase between 2002 and 2003.

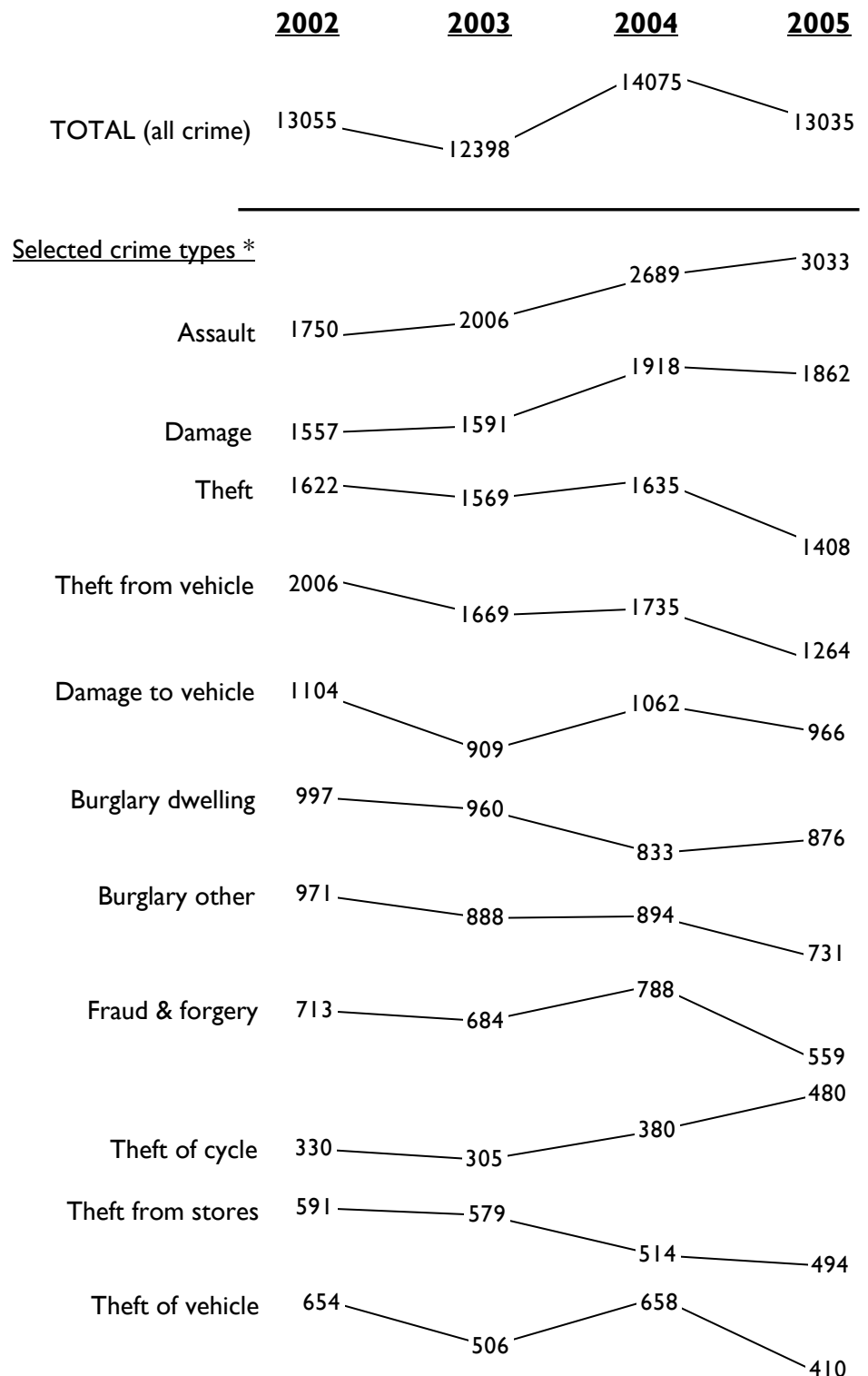
Theft fell by 14% and theft from vehicle fell by over a quarter in one year (down 27%).

Burglary dwelling was up slightly year-on-year in 2005 but still much lower than in 2002 and 2003. Burglary other continues to fall and was down a quarter over the four year period covered here.

Fraud & forgery offences has increased in 2004 but fell by almost a third last year to 559 offences.

There has been a sustained increase in theft of cycle in 2004 and 2005. Theft of cycle now accounts for a higher number of offences than theft of motor vehicle. This is particularly striking considering that in 2002 there were twice as many thefts of motor vehicle than there were cycles. This is mainly due to a huge reduction in theft of motor vehicle in 2005, down 38% from 2004.

Theft from stores shows a sustained reduction year-on-year, down 16% from 2002 to 2005.



Source: Leicestershire Constabulary, CIS

* Not all categories which contribute to the total crime figure are shown here. This is a selection of the major contributory crime categories.

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