

Crime Update 2005: Melton Borough



There were fewer offences recorded by the police in Melton Borough in 2005 than in any of the three previous calendar years. There was an increase in assault offences whilst the biggest reductions were in vehicle crime and burglary dwelling.

The trend lines (right) show the number of recorded offences in Melton Borough 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 4.3% in 2005 compared to the previous year and continued the downward trend from 2003.

The number of recorded assaults continued to steadily increase in 2005.

In 2005 offences of theft from vehicles resumed similar levels to 2002 and 2003 following a four year low in 2004.

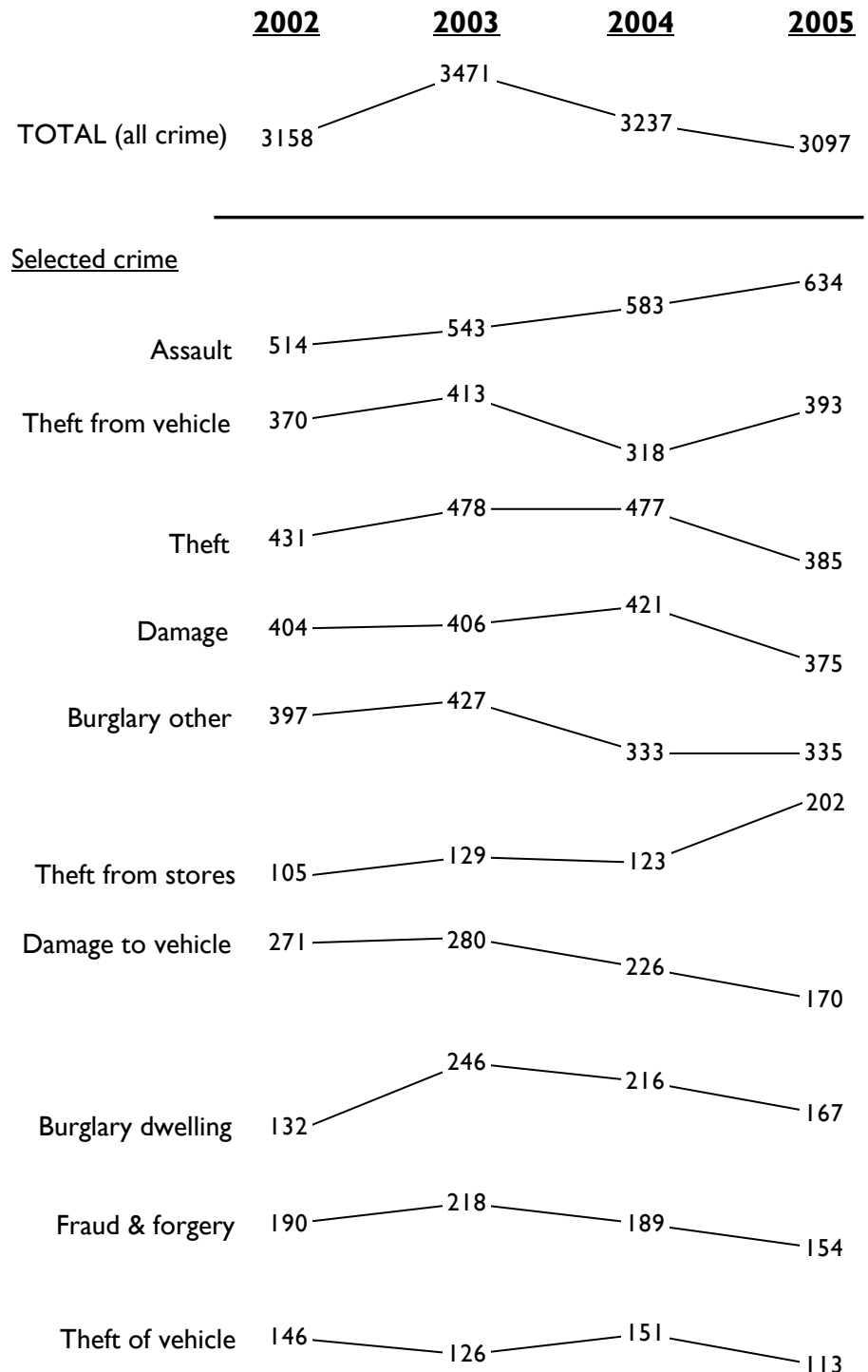
Offences for damage and for theft both fell for the first time in 2005.

Burglary other (including, sheds/ garages and commercial properties) remained stable in 2005.

There was a sharp increase in theft from stores, up nearly two-thirds (64%) in 2005.

Damage to vehicle, burglary dwelling and fraud and forgery show a consistent year-on-year fall in the last three years following a four year high in 2003.

Theft of vehicle fell by a quarter in 2005 although the four year trend shows a fluctuating pattern.



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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