



**MATTHEWS
POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

Serving our community with pride...

The purpose of this report is to keep you informed of what is happening within our community.
For questions or additional information, please visit www.matthewspolice.org or contact our
Community Resource Officer at (704) 847-4069 or at communitysafety@matthewspolice.org.

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ANNUAL SERVICE REPORT

	2009	2010	2011	1-Year Change
Calls For Service	38,776	42,630	36,267	- 15%
Collisions Reported	1,459	1,576	1,561	- 1%
Citations Issued	9,139	9,819	9,761	- 1%
DWI Arrests	329	207	193	- 7%
Drug Arrests	224	198	200	+ 1%
Total All Arrests	1,235	1,120	964	- 14%

2011 showed continuing positive trends. The number of calls for service received declined from its peak in 2010, and the number of traffic collisions again remained steady. We believe the decline in DWI arrests was partially a result of our focus on this dangerous conduct over the past few years.

ANNUAL CRIME REPORT

	2009	2010	2011	1-Year Change
Murder	0	1	1	n/c
Rape	1	6	3	- 50%
Robbery	31	18	9	- 50%
Aggrv. Assaults	28	21	25	+ 19%
Burglary	154	116	84	- 28%
Larceny	875	671	680	+ 1%
Auto Theft	64	46	46	nc
Arson	9	12	11	- 8%
Index Crimes Listed	1,162	891	859	- 4%
Total All Crimes	2,387	2,228	2,113	- 5%

We are extremely pleased with the continued reduction in crimes reported – especially burglaries and violent crimes against persons. The total ‘Index Crimes’ reported is identical to the number reported in 1999! It should be noted that the ‘murder’ reported was a vehicular death that did not result in criminal charges. Our staff will continue the aggressive investigation of all reported crimes, and will also continue the proactive patrols of our commercial and residential areas.