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April Continues New York City's Sustained Overall Crime Reduction

Fewest index crimes of any April in the modern CompStat-era. Eight fewer Murders compared with April 2016.

New York, New York—New York City experienced 540 fewer index crimes, or -6.8%, in April 2017, compared with April 2016. This is the safest April in the history of the modern CompStat-era. This reduction in crime contributes to the 1,611 fewer overall index crimes year-to-date in New York City, compared with 2016, making the year-to-date reduction -5.2%.

For the month of April 2017, there were 7,377 overall index crimes reported, compared with 7,917 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 540 crimes, or -6.8%. There were 20 murders reported in April 2017, compared with 28 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 8 crimes, or -28.6%. There were 124 rapes reported in April 2017, compared with 119 in April 2016. This is an increase of 5 crimes, or +4.2%. There were 1,031 robberies reported in April 2017, compared with 1,204 in January 2016. This is a reduction of 173 crimes, or -14.4%. There were 1,501 felonious assaults reported in April 2017, compared with 1,616 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 115 crimes, or -7.1%. There were 899 burglaries reported in April 2017, compared with 964 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 65 crimes, or -6.7%. There were 3,423 grand larcenies reported in April 2017, compared with 3,540 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 117 crimes, or -3.3%. There were 379 grand larceny autos reported in April 2017, compared with 446 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 67 crimes, or -15.0%. There were 68 shooting incidents reported in April 2017, compared with 67 in April 2016. This is an increase of 1 crime, or +1.5%.

"The continued reduction of crime in New York City is the result of the great work being done by the men and women of the NYPD," said Police Commissioner James P. O'Neill. "Using precision policing, we continue to focus on the few responsible for most of our violence. And Neighborhood Policing is strengthening our relationships with every community, building trust that is critical to further reducing crime."

"Commissioner O'Neill and the brave men and women of the NYPD have built on the unprecedented achievements of the safest first quarter in recorded City history by delivering the safest April the CompStat-era has ever seen," said Mayor de Blasio. "The City is on pace for a record year in lows for shootings and homicides. These trends are a testament to the NYPD's effective precision and neighborhood policing models that aim to root out violent crime in the small pockets where it still exists and work with the public to build trust and stop crime before it starts. The recent introduction of body cameras into the patrol force will play an important role in bolstering the trust that has grown between police and community, helping to make our city even safer."

There were 174 crimes reported in the Transit Bureau in April 2017, compared with 186 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 12 crimes, or -6.5%. There were 394 crimes reported in the Housing Bureau in April 2017, compared with 399 in April 2016. This is a reduction of 5 crimes, or -1.3%.

Note: All crime statistics are preliminary and subject to further analysis, revisions, or change.

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