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#### **Crime in Hawaii up 4.8% in first half of 2001**

Honolulu, Hawaii 3/4 The State Department of the Attorney General's semi-annual Uniform Crime Report shows that the number of Index Crimes reported in Hawaii during the first six months of 2001 increased 4.8% from the number reported during the same period in 2000. The number of reported violent Index Crimes (murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) fell 0.1%, while reported property Index Crimes (burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) rose 5.1%. Nationally, the number of reported Index Crimes decreased 0.3% during the first six months of 2001.

Decreasing among the violent crimes reported in the first half of 2001 were murders (6.3%) and aggravated assaults (3.3%). Forcible rapes and robberies increased during this period (9.9% and 1.3%, respectively).

The number of reported offenses increased for all three property crime categories during the first half of 2001: burglaries by 4.1%; motor vehicle thefts by 5.9%; and larceny-thefts by 5.2%.

The City & County of Honolulu, Hawaii County, and Maui County each posted increases in total Index Crimes, violent crimes, and property crimes. Maui County reported the largest increase in total Index Crimes (16.1%), violent crimes (12.1%), and property crimes (16.3%). Kauai County posted the only decrease in total Index Crimes (19.7%), violent crimes (44.6%), and property crimes (17.9%).

Statewide juvenile arrests decreased 10.0% and adult arrests fell 4.1% in the first half of 2001. Both juvenile and adult arrests decreased for violent and property crimes.

The value of property stolen in Hawaii during the first half of 2001 totaled \$30.2 million, up 11.7% from the same period in 2000.

Copies of the complete four-page report can be downloaded from the Crime Prevention & Justice Assistance Division's web site at [cpja.ag.state.hi.us](http://cpja.ag.state.hi.us)

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