

# Fraternal Order of Police Bluegrass Lodge #4

## State of the Division of Police

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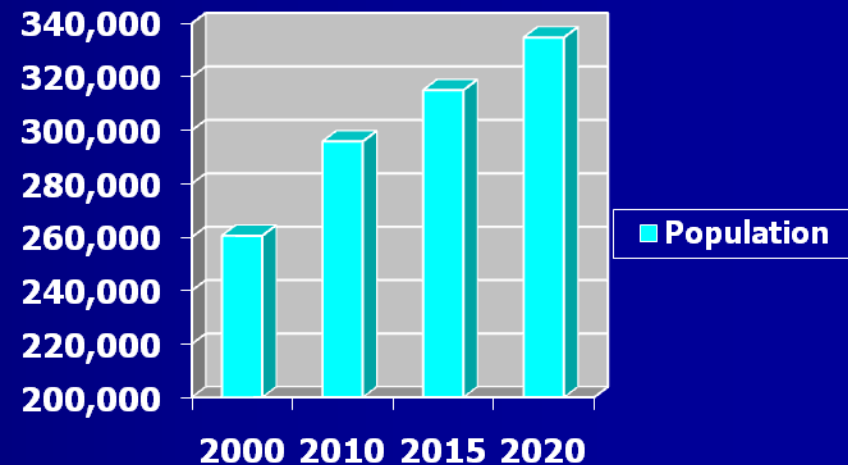


# What's Your Priority?

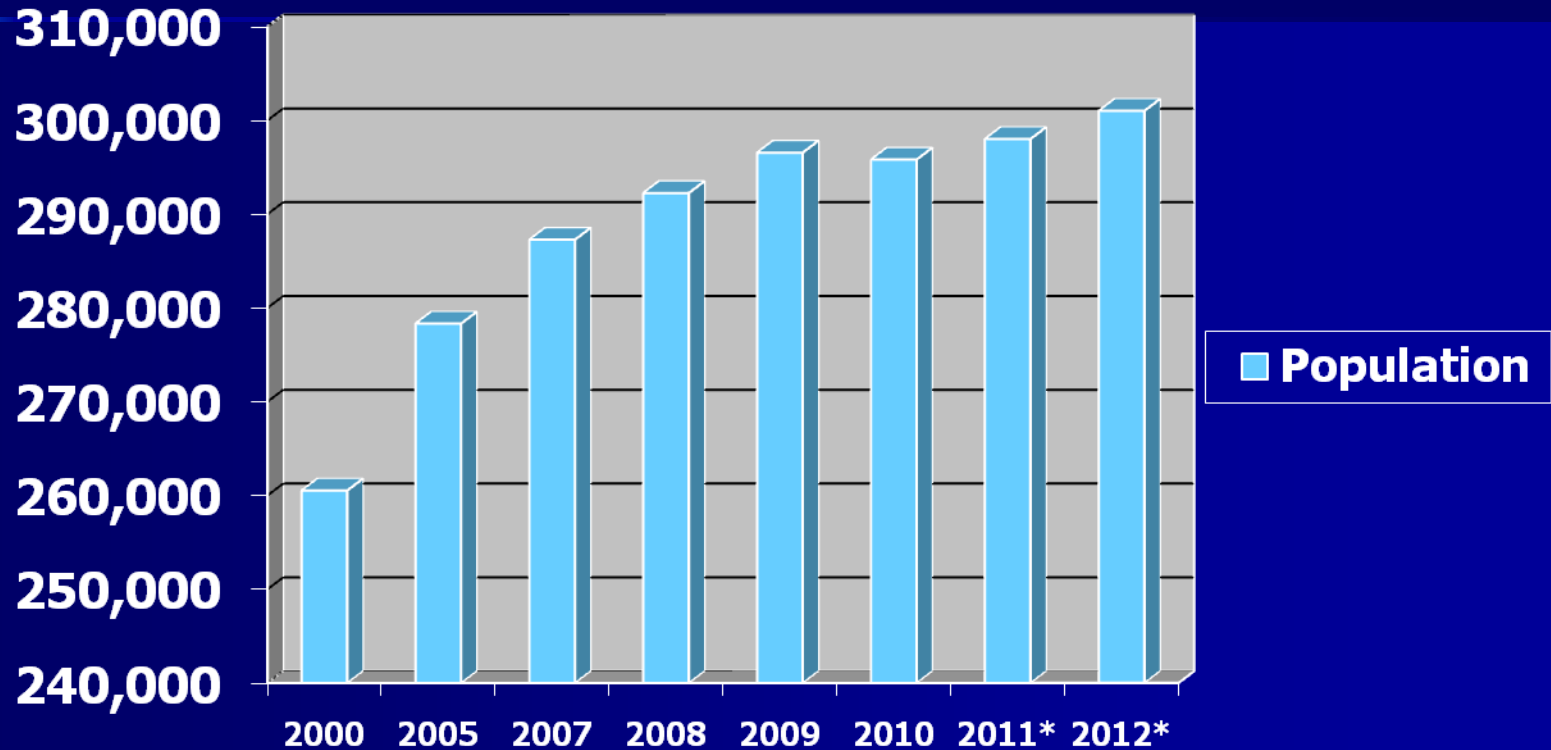
- Population of Lexington continues to rise
- Number of sworn officers has declined
- LFUCG has failed to even keep up with attrition
- Crime rate (reported crime) has risen dramatically and will continue to do so

# Steady Population Growth

- From 2000 to 2010 the population of Lexington grew from 260,512 to 295,803.
- This represents an increase of 13.5%
- The population of Lexington is expected to grow to over 315,000 by 2015
- The population of Lexington is expected to grow to over 334,000 by 2020
- If current projections hold, Lexington's population will have grown by over 28% in two decades



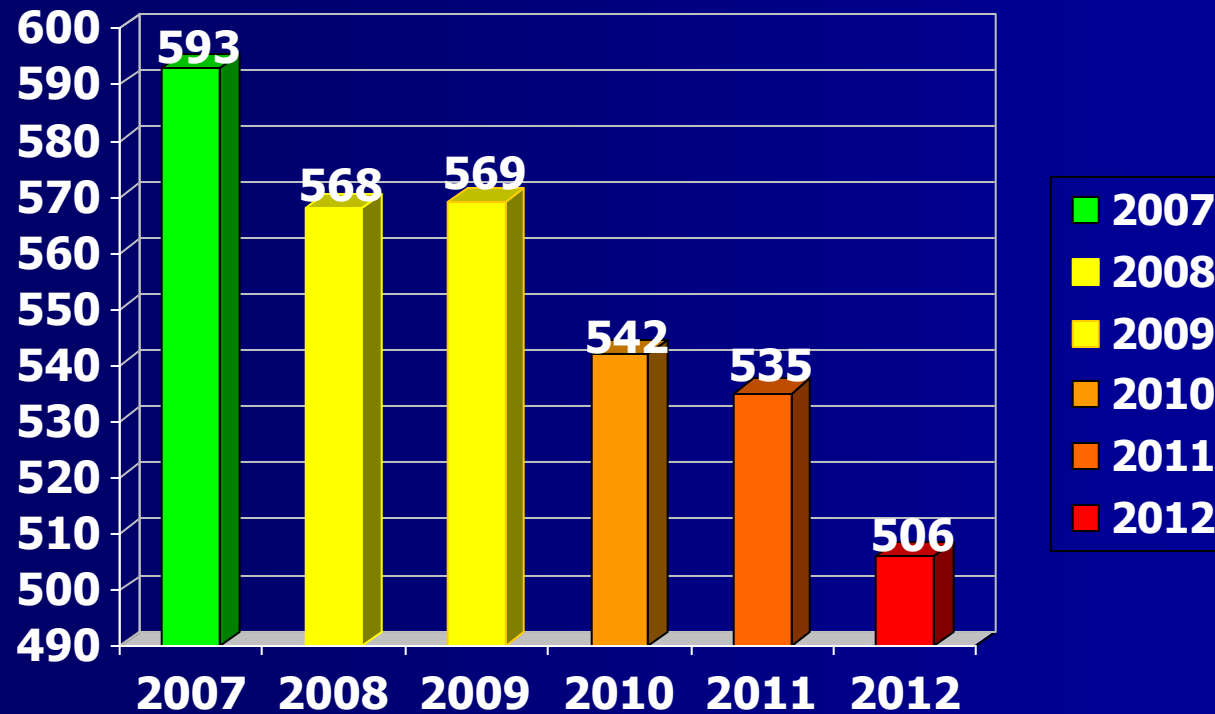
# Population growth: A Closer Look



2000	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*	2012*
260,512	278,313	287,263	292,240	296,545	295,803	298,000	301,000

\* Estimated Growth

# A Force in Decline: 2007- 2012



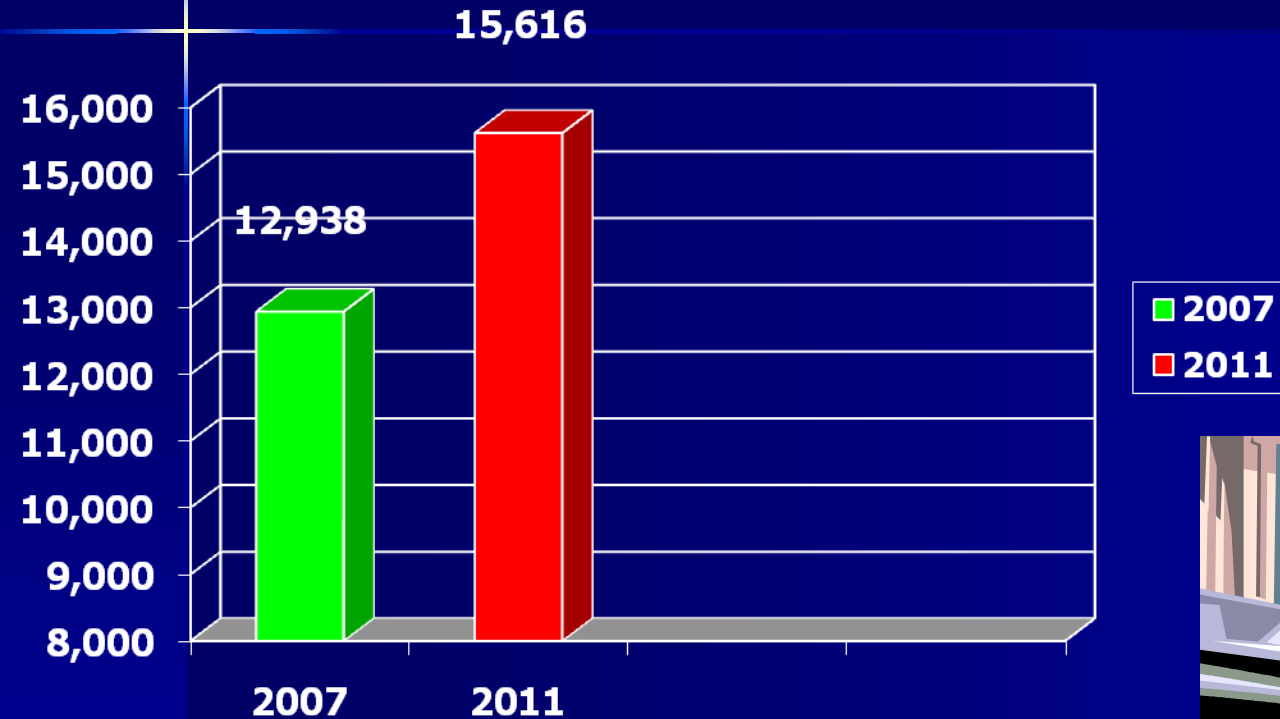
Number of Sworn Officers 2007- 2012

# Crime rate is on the rise

- In 2007 the numbers of reported crimes fell to the lowest level ever reported in the history of the merged government.
- There were 12,938 Part 1 crimes reported to the Division of Police that year.
- Crime has steadily risen every year since.



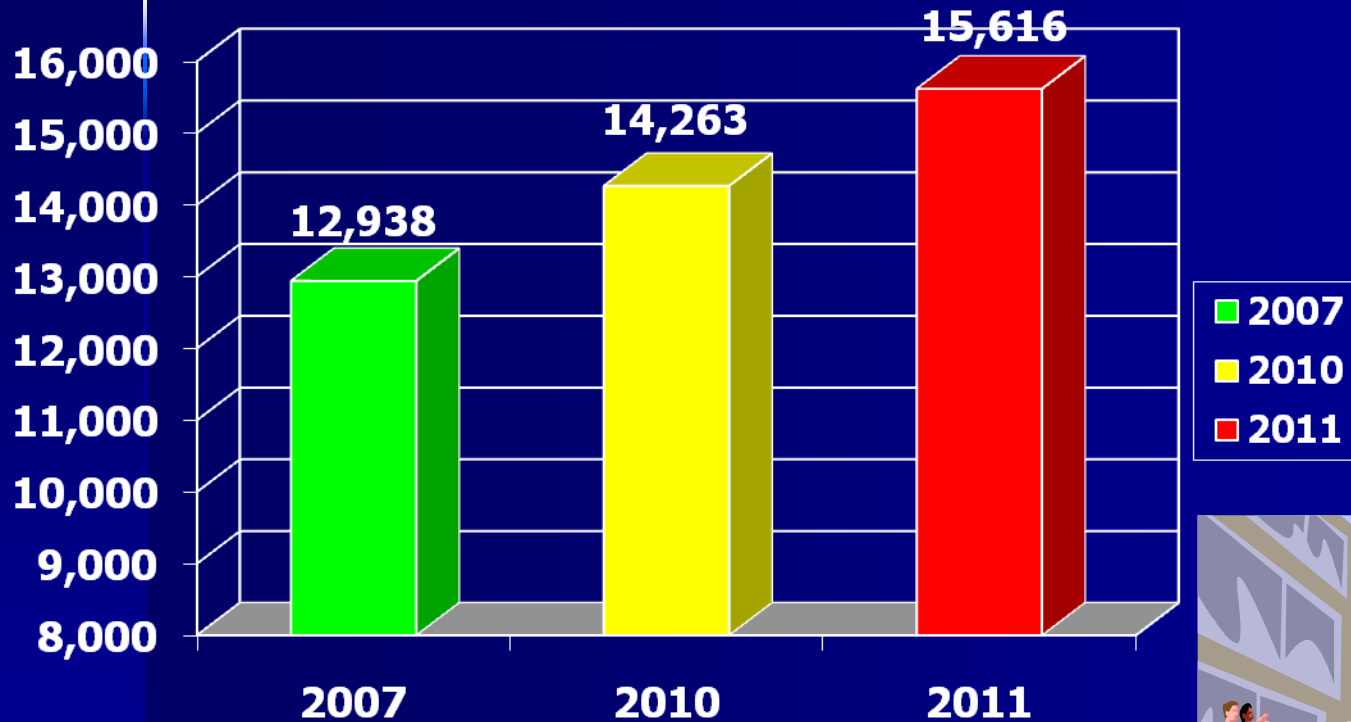
# 20.7% Increase in Reported Crime 2007- 2011



Reported Crimes to Lexington Police  
2007- 2011



# 9.5% Increase in Crime in a Single Year 2010- 2011



**Reported Crimes to Lexington Police**





# 2012: More of the same?

Jan. 2011: 1,115 Reported offenses

Jan. 2012: 1,256 Reported offenses

**12.65% increase**

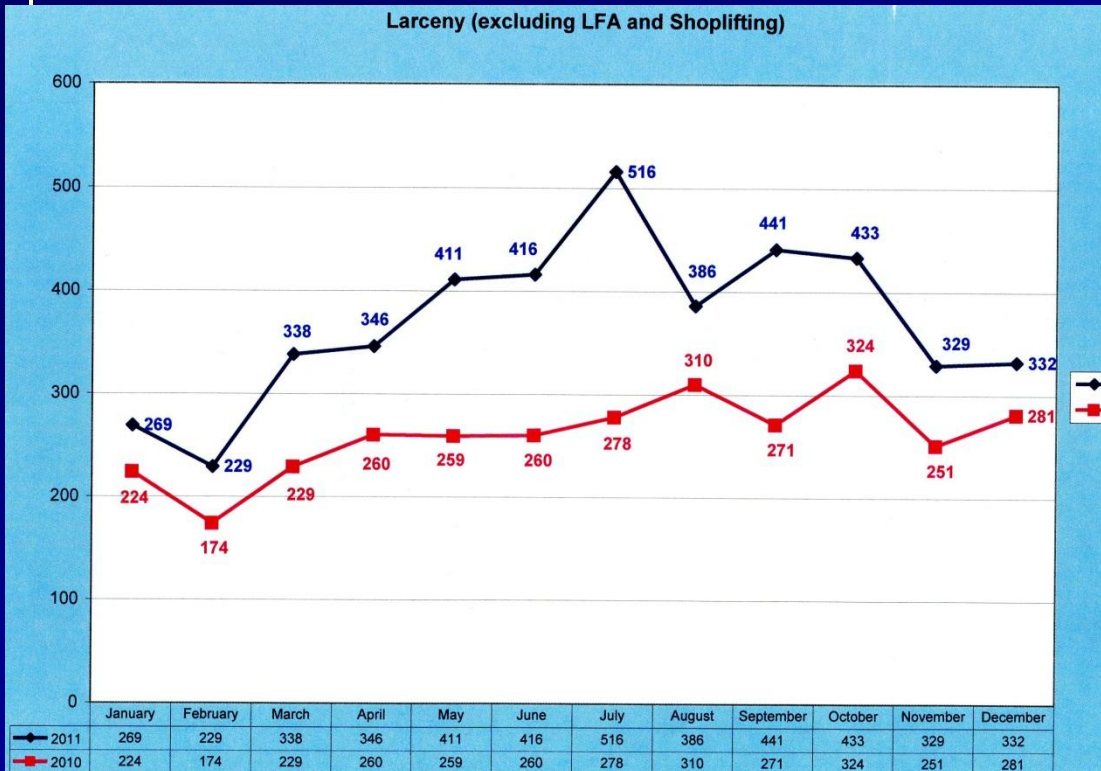
Feb. 2011: 976 Reported offenses

Feb. 2012: 1,055 Reported offenses

**8.09% increase**



# Troubling developments

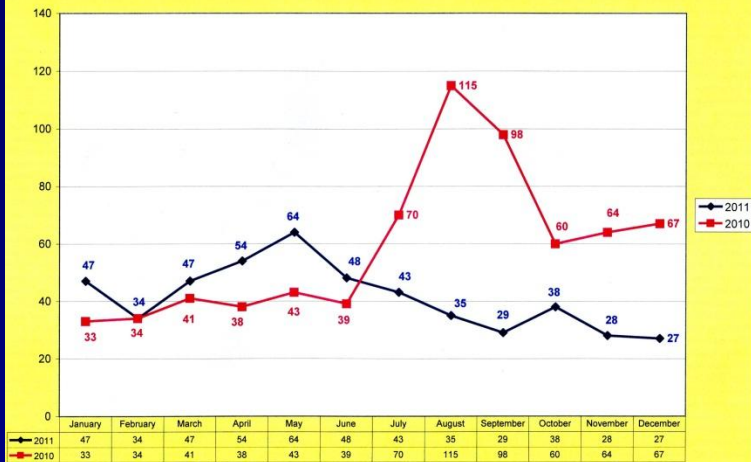


Overall Increase in Reported Larcenies  
2010- 2011

# BURGLARIES

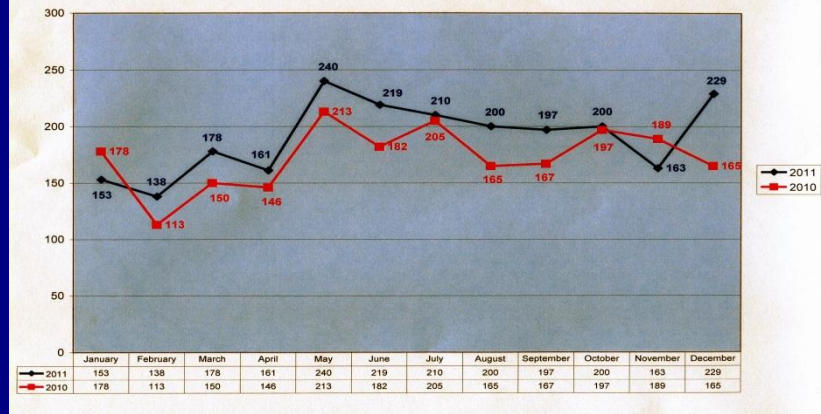
## Lower in one area, higher in another more serious area...

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY



Commercial Burglaries are down...

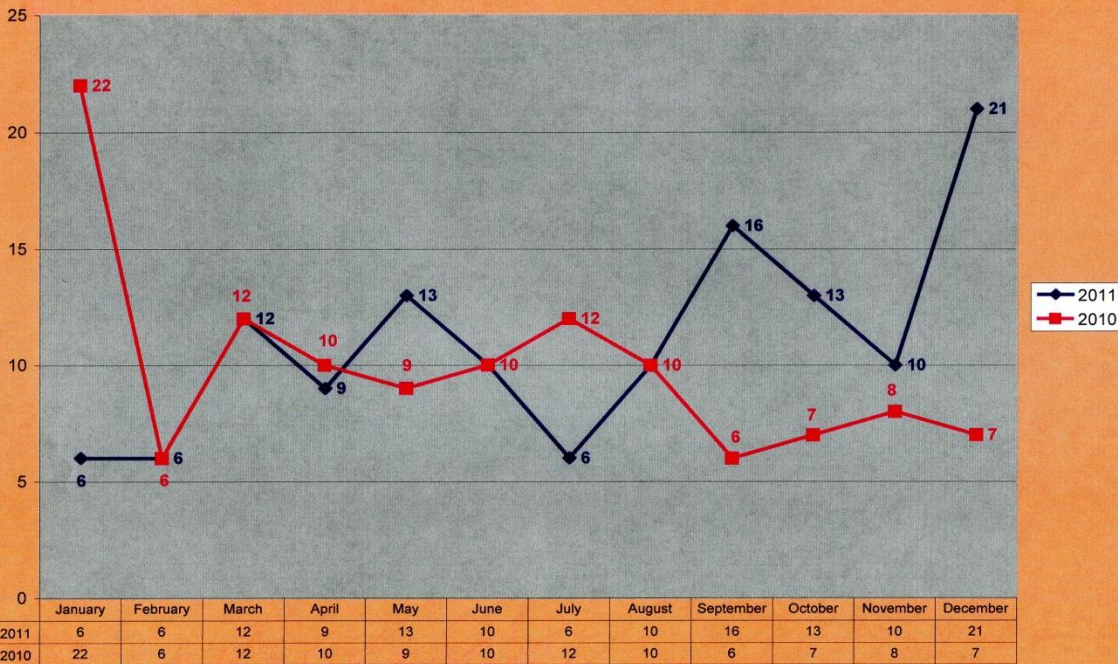
RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY



but Residential Burglaries are up.

# Not just property crimes...

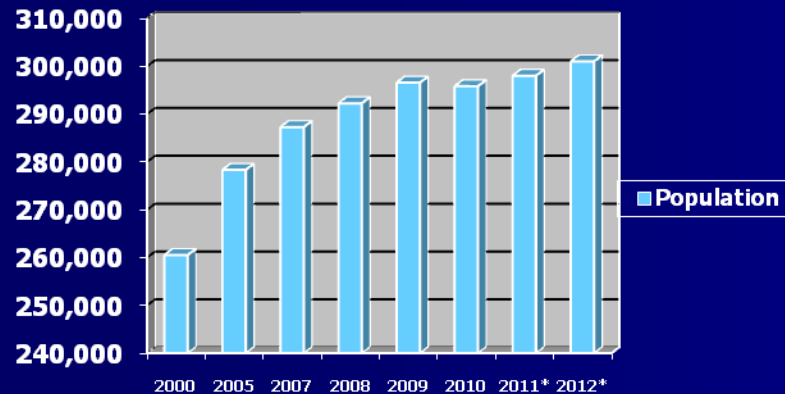
RAPE



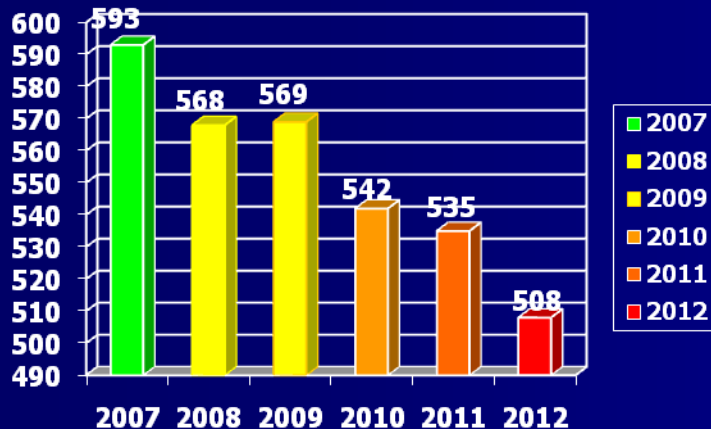
Increase in reported Rapes 2010- 2011.

# An easily foreseen series of events...

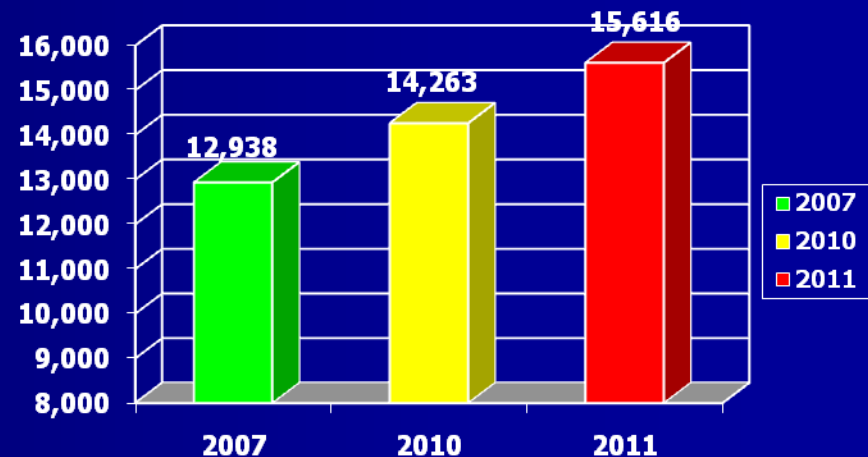
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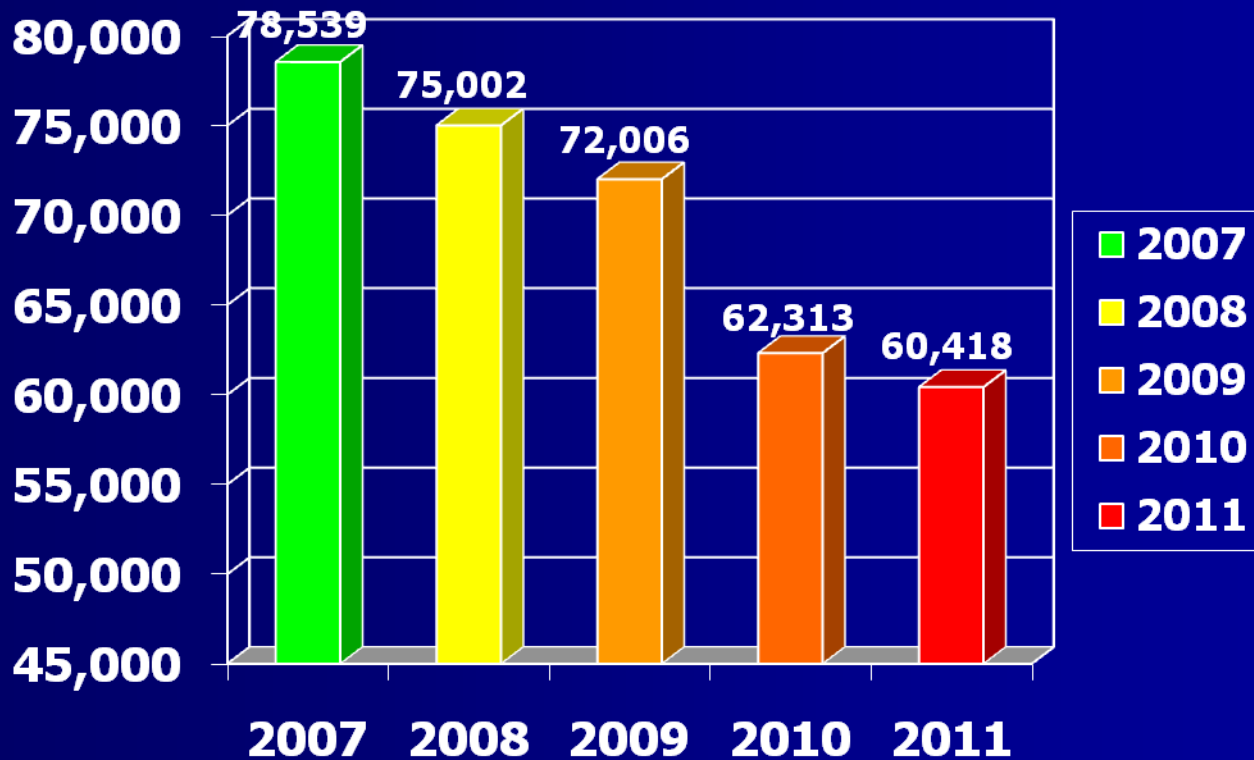
## 2. Number of Officers Declines...



## 3. Crime Rate Goes Up



# Not just about crime



**Number of traffic citations issued 2007- 2011**

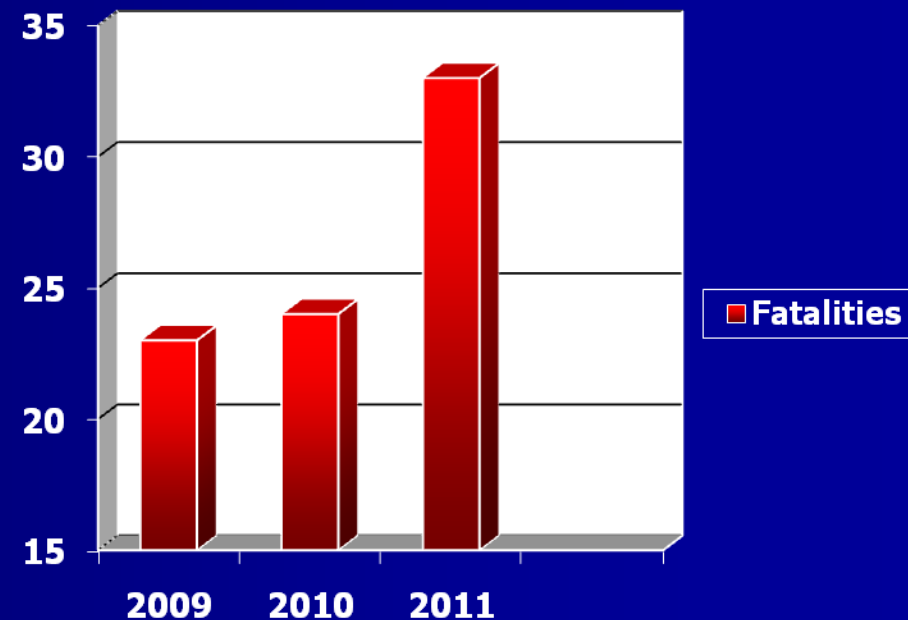
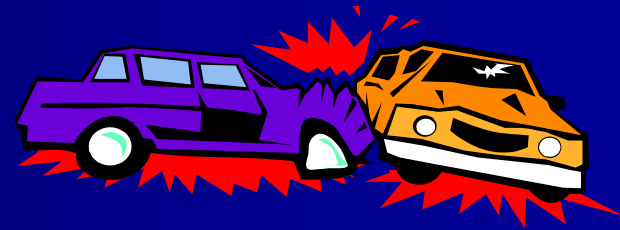
# Traffic Court cases down

- Lexington Herald- Leader of 01/01/2012: "Lexington Police are Writing Fewer Tickets."
- 46,206 Traffic Cases in FY 2007
- 37,740 Traffic Cases in FY 2011
- \$241,883 lost in fines
- \$962,562 lost in court costs



# FATAL COLLISIONS

- 2009: 23 Fatalities
- 2010: 24 Fatalities
- 2011: 33 Fatalities
- **37.5%** increase in traffic fatalities in a single year



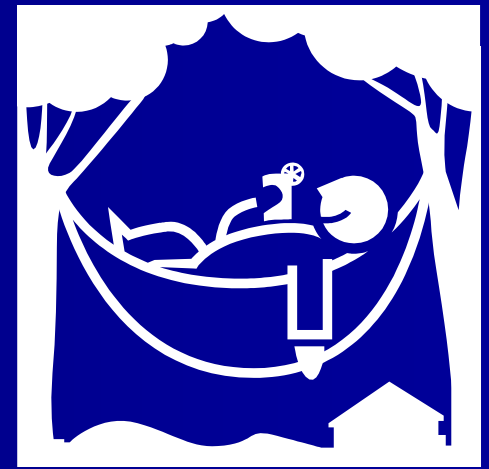


# It can always get worse...

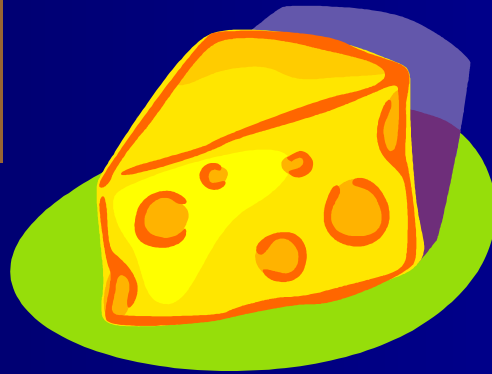
67 of Lexington's 506 sworn officers have at least 20 years of service with LFUCG and can retire at any time.

56 additional officers have at least 16 years of service with LFUCG and can purchase "ghost time" which will make them eligible to retire at any time.

Total: 123 officers eligible to leave TODAY.



# A few words about Wisconsin...



# Everybody loves Madison...

1997: Commerce Lexington Trip

2006: Lexington- Herald Leader series by Jamie Gumbrecht

2009: Commerce Lexington returned, Tom Eblen Editorial of 05/15/2009

2012: HL editorial of 02/21/2012 about new UK dorms

2012: Public Safety Commissioner Mason



# The Same? Different.

## Madison, WI

- Population: 233,209+
- 443 officers (1.89 Officers per 1,000 residents)
- 4 violent offenses per 1,000 residents
- Area: 87.4 square miles (5.23 Officers/ mile)

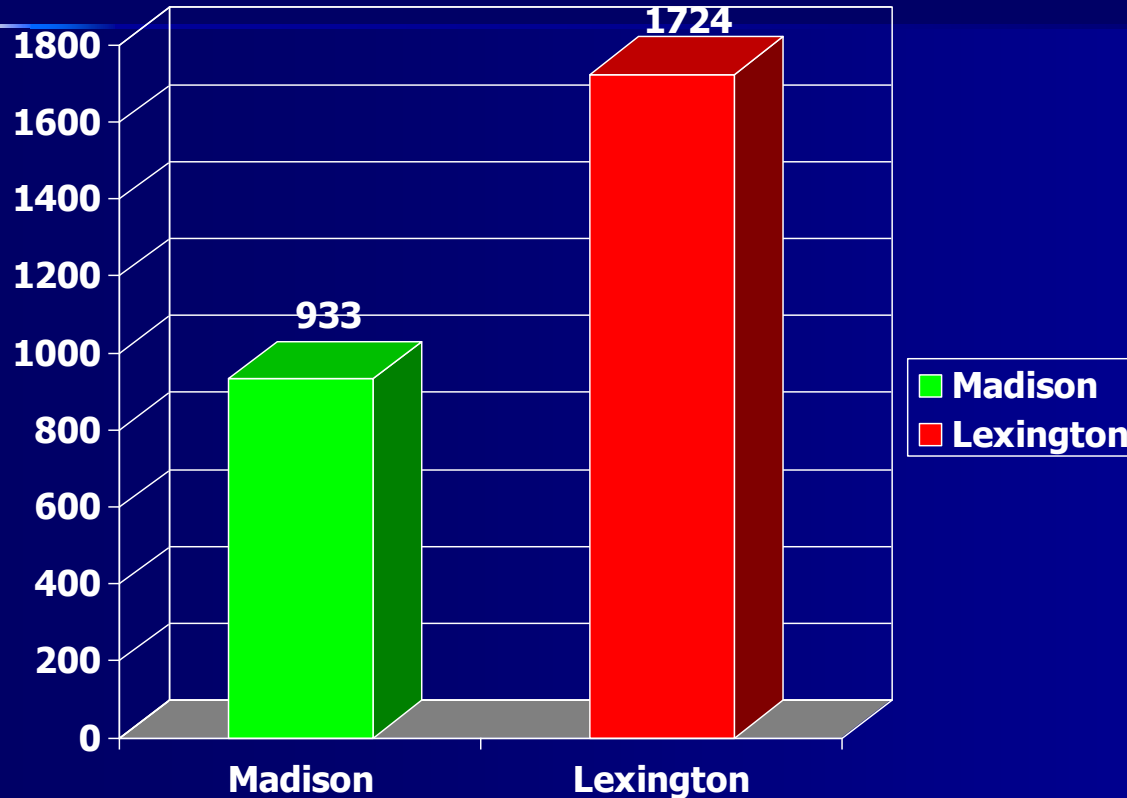


## Lexington, KY

- Population: 295,803+
- 506 officers (1.71 Officers per 1,000 residents)
- 5.8 violent offenses per 1,000 residents
- Area: 285.5 square miles (1.88 Officers/ mile)



# Apples and Oranges



Incidents of  
Violent Crime  
reported to  
UCR in 2010.



# The difference is in the numbers...

## Madison, WI

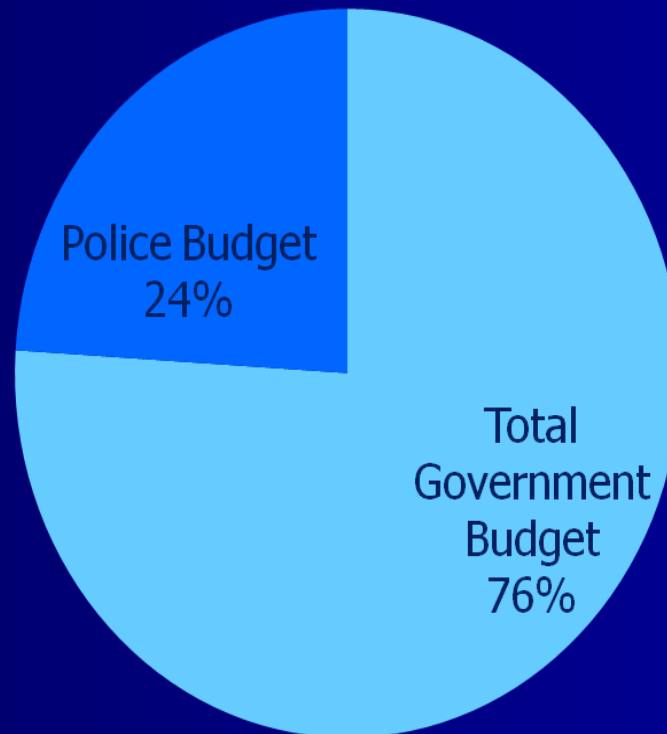
- 2011 Net Budget-  
\$60,545,621
- \$2,221,033  
budgeted for  
overtime pay
- Starting Salary:  
\$43,714

## Lexington, KY

- 2011 Net Budget-  
\$59,566,470
- \$1,599,170  
budgeted for  
overtime pay
- Starting Salary:  
\$36,711

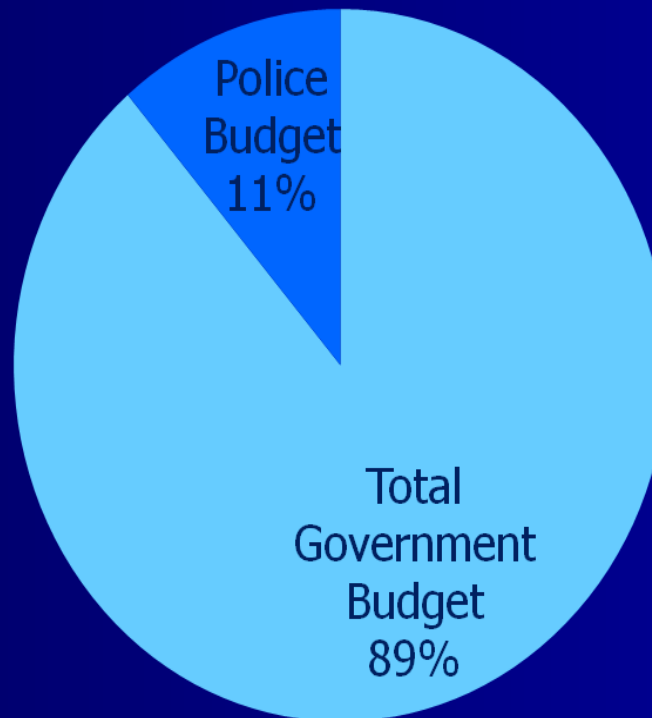
# Madison Budgeting

## Budgeting Breakdown



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# What is your priority?

Thank You.

