



MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

MARCH 2026

The Monthly Crime Report details criminal activity and crime trends in Manhattan Beach. In this report you'll find:

1. Monthly Crime Statistics
2. An Interactive Crime Map
3. Detailed information on the three primary crime classifications; crimes against persons, crimes against property, and crimes against society
4. A Summary of Crime Trends
5. Notable Events

The MBPD continues to collaborate with residents and local businesses to prevent crime. We highly encourage residents to join the Manhattan Beach Neighborhood Watch. For more information, email Mirna Puma at MBNW@manhattanbeach.gov



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MONTHLY STATISTICS

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0 ARSON

No change from February



0 HOMICIDE

No change from February



8 ASSAULTS

(+5) from February



30 LARCENIES (NON-VEHICLE BURGLARIES)

(-4) from February



8 AUTO THEFT

(+7) from February



4 ROBBERIES

No change from February



1 BURGLARY (BUSINESS)

No change from February



1 SEXUAL OFFENSES

(+1) from February



3 BURGLARIES (RESIDENTIAL)

(-1) from February



16 VEHICLE BURGLARIES

(+3) from February



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MONTHLY STATISTICS

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4,407 CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for service are incidents sent to officers by Dispatch or incidents that officers come upon while working.

- DISPATCHED CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1,477
- OFFICER INITIATED CONTACTS: 2,930
- PRIORITY EMERGENCY CALL RESPONSE TIME: 3 Minutes 51 Seconds



67 ARRESTS



112 "GROUP A" CRIME REPORTS

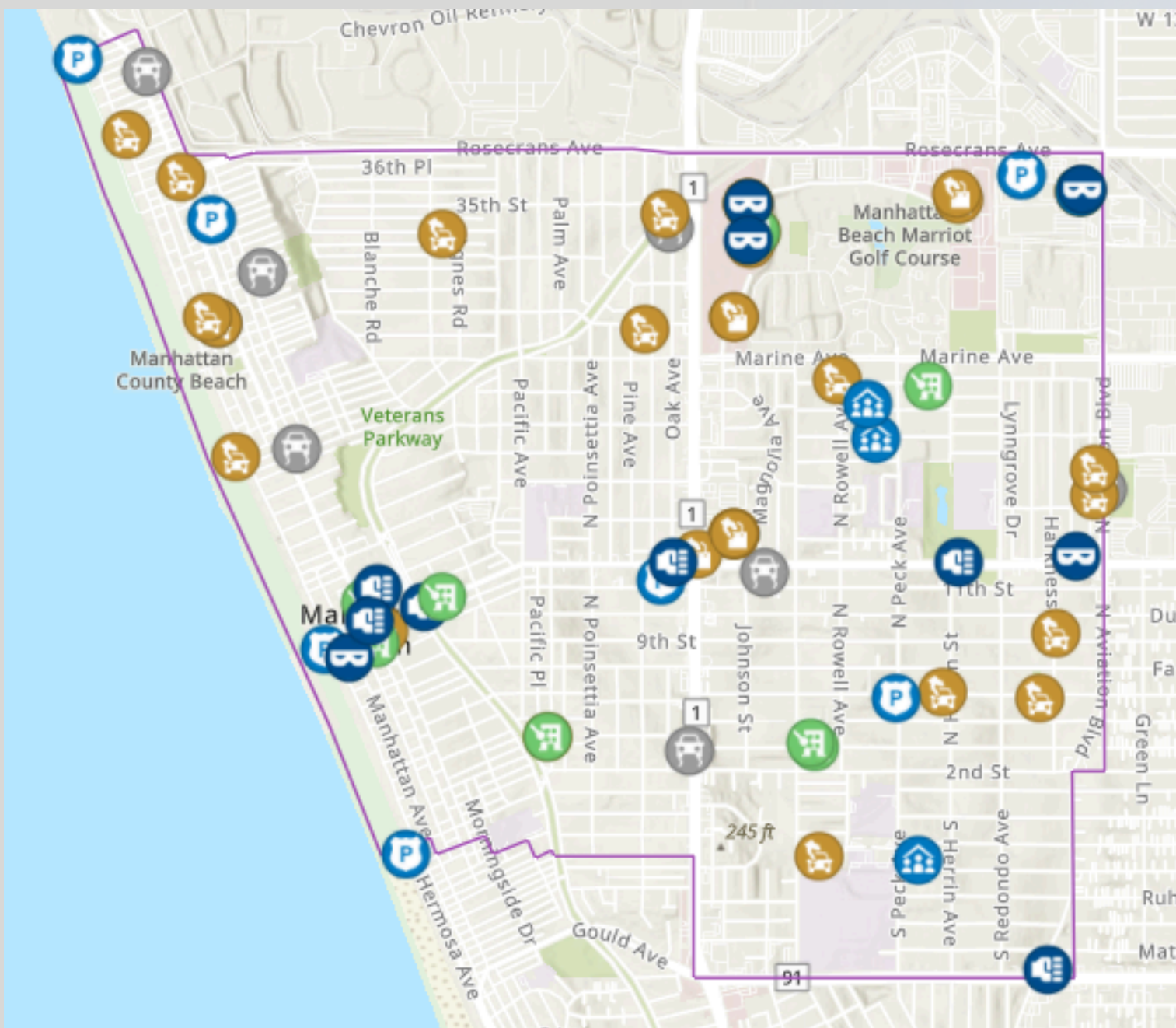
Only incident reports for "Group A" offenses are included in the total. Group A offenses are 22 crime categories made up of 46 specific crimes. This total does not include every crime incident report generated. For example, arrests for DUIs or municipal code violations are not included in this total.



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MARCH 2026 CRIME MAP

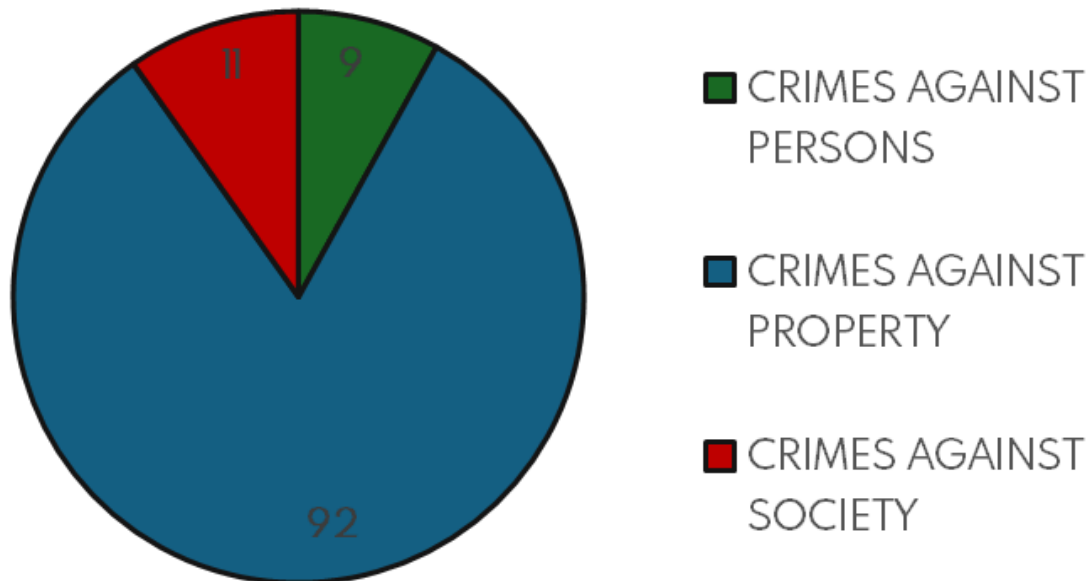
The Monthly Crime Map depicts crimes that occurred in this month. Click crime icons to see specific details for each crime.





MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME CLASSIFICATIONS MARCH 2026

CRIMES BY NIBRS CLASSIFICATION



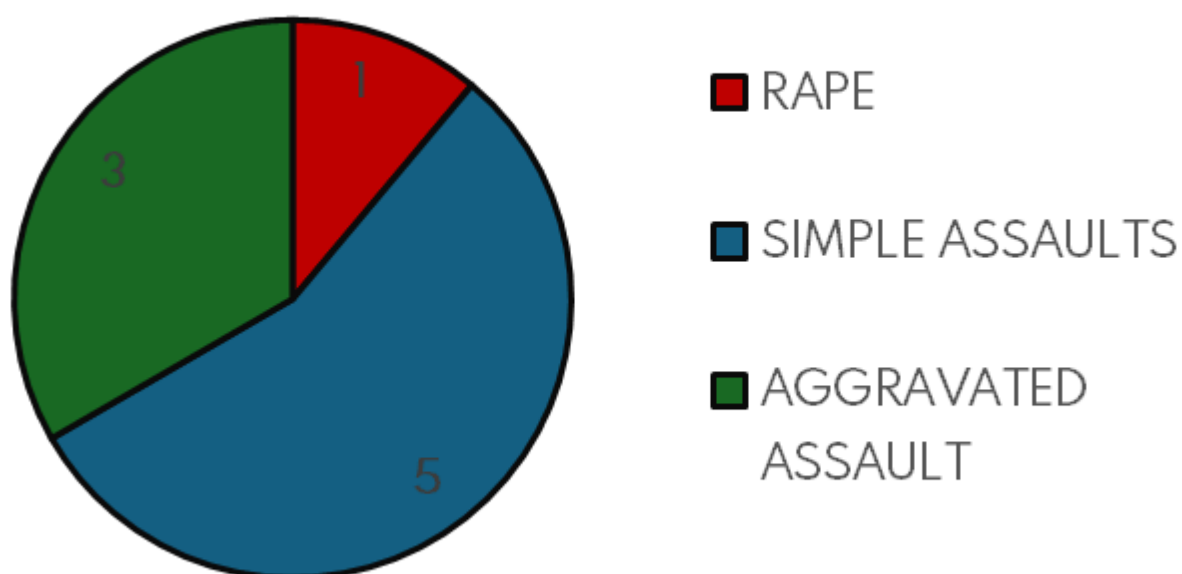
TOTAL NUMBER OF GROUP A OFFENSES: 112

The National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) captures crime data. NIBRS classifies crimes into three major categories: crimes against persons, crimes against property, and crimes against society.



MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS MARCH 2026

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS



TOTAL NUMBER OF CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS: 9

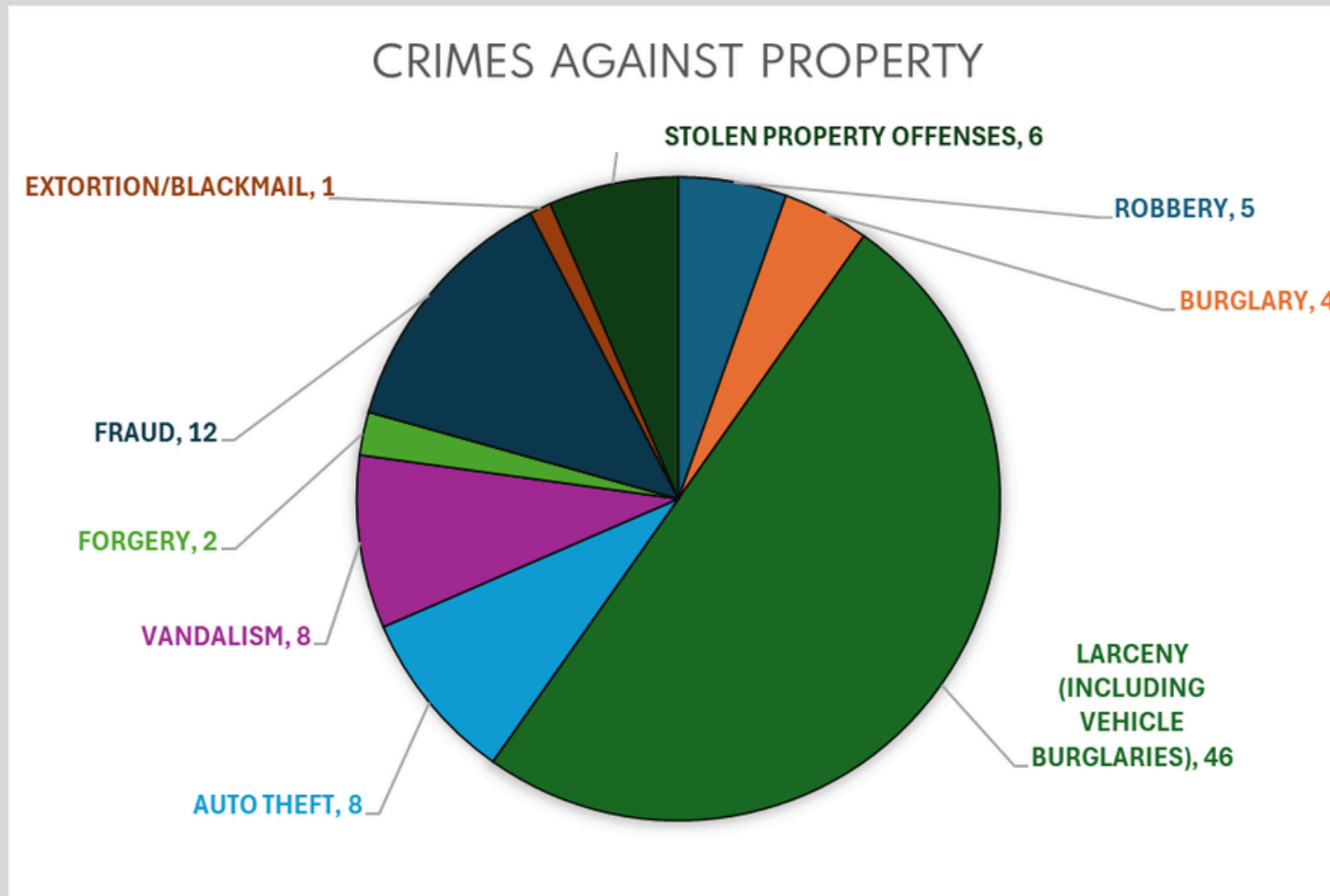
Crimes against persons are crimes that involve bodily harm, the threat of bodily harm, or other actions committed against the will of an individual. This crime category includes homicide, sexual assault, domestic violence, assault, and criminal threats.



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CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

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TOTAL NUMBER OF CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY: 92

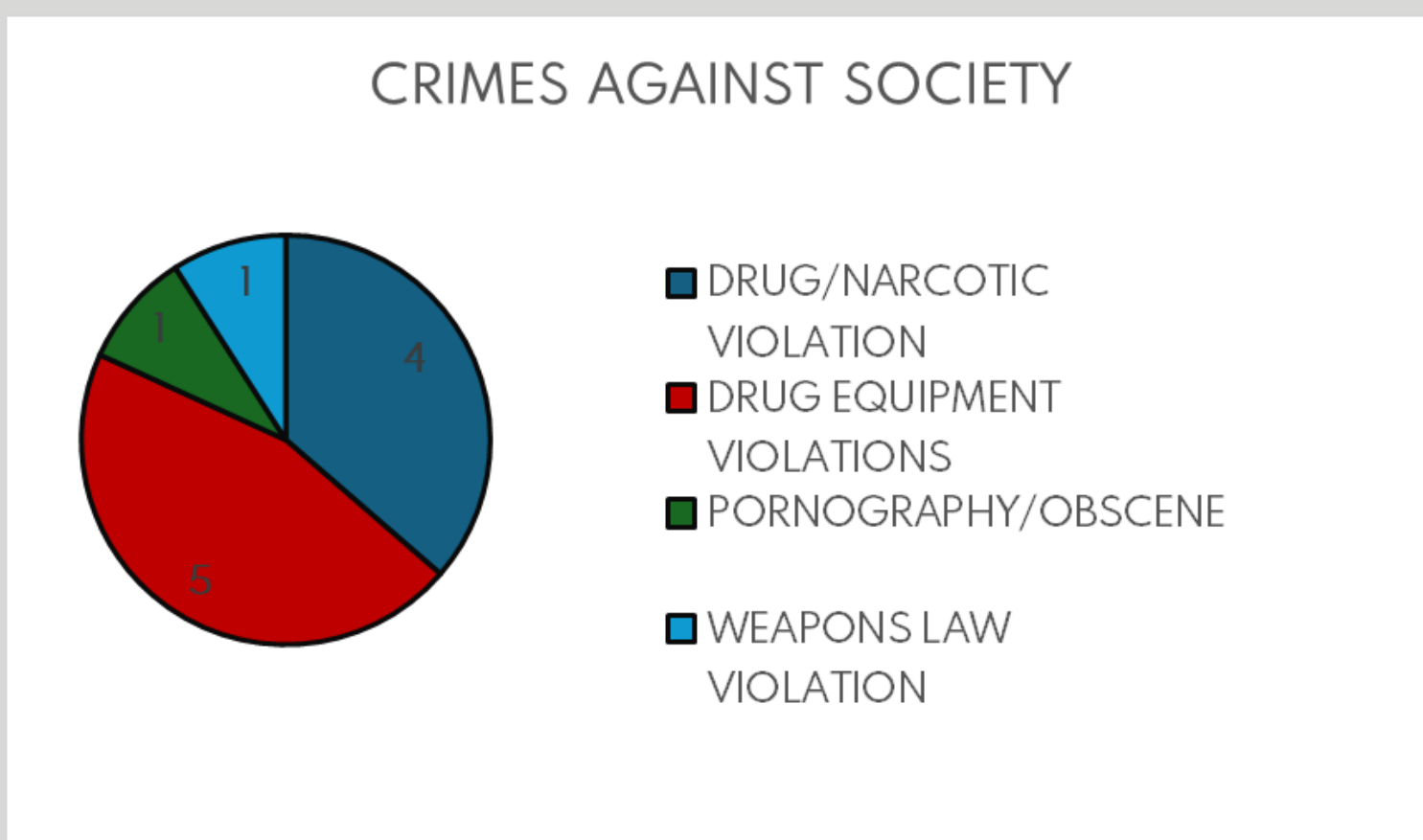
Crimes against property are crimes that deprive an owner of property against the owner's will. This crime category includes burglary, larceny, auto theft, and arson.



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CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY

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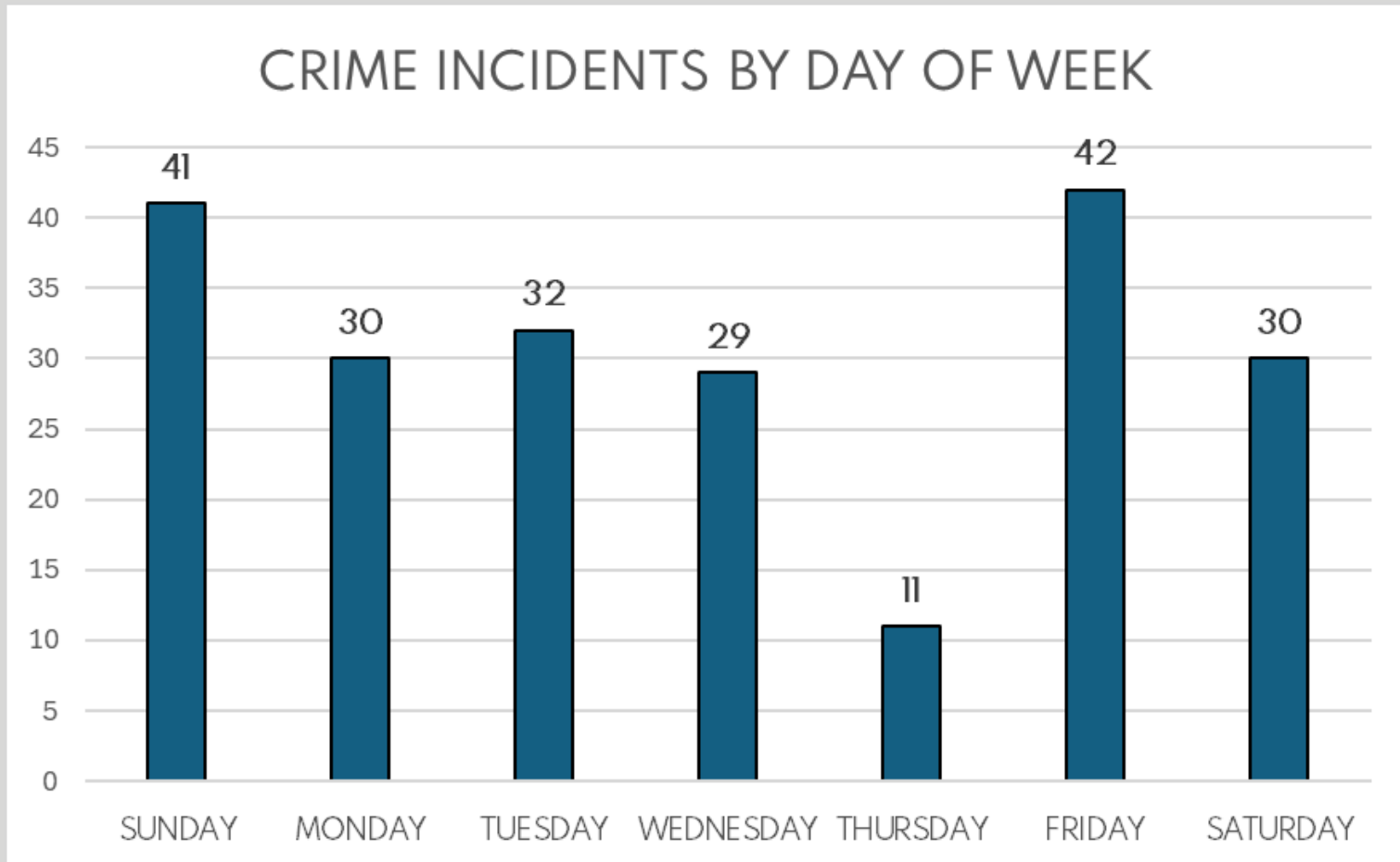


TOTAL NUMBER OF CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY: 11

The crimes against society classification represent society's prohibition against engaging in certain types of activity. This crime category includes drug offenses, gambling, and weapons violations.



MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMES BY DAY OF WEEK MARCH 2026

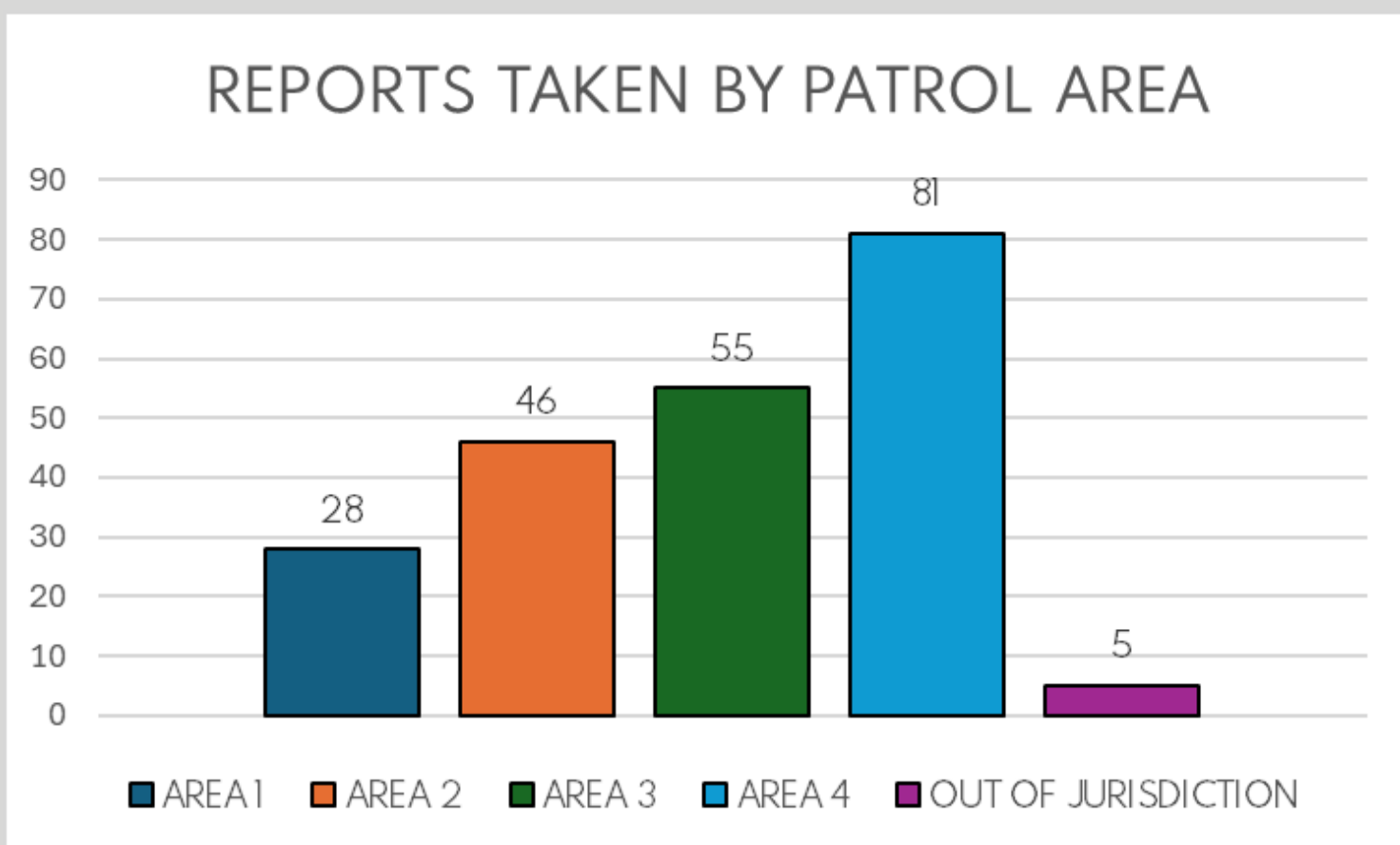


TOTAL NUMBER OF CRIME INCIDENT REPORTS TAKEN: 215

This number includes the totality of Daily Reports (DR) pulled including arrest reports. This may include but is not limited to recovered vehicle reports, missing person reports, municipal code violations etc...



MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMES BY PATROL AREA MARCH 2026



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[Click here to view the Patrol Areas Map](#)



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CRIME TRENDS

MARCH 2026

Notable Events

On 3/2/26, at approximately 9:00 p.m., officers responded to Barnes & Noble regarding a robbery in progress. Two individuals entered the store and selected several books before leaving without paying. When the employees confronted the subjects, the employees were pushed. The suspects then fled the location in a white sedan, traveling eastbound on Rosecrans Avenue.

On 3/4/26 at approximately 9:30 a.m., officers responded to the 1800 block of Manhattan Beach Boulevard (Trader Joes) for the report of an assault. A first-amendment auditor pepper sprayed an individual (customer) who attempted to take his camera by force. The customer was on his way inside the business and asked to not be filmed. The customer then shoved the auditor and damaged a piece of his equipment. The auditor then pepper sprayed the customer in self-defense.

On 3/07/26 at approximately 8:30 a.m., officers responded to Barnes and Noble (1800 Rosecrans Avenue) for a burglary report. Security footage showed an unknown suspect shattering the front door window earlier that morning, entering the store, selecting boxes of Legos, then carrying them away, out of view of the cameras. The suspect entered a vehicle and drove away with the loss of approximately \$400 in Legos.

On 3/8/26, at approximately 7:30 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of 19th St. regarding a burglary report. The homeowner was out of town when an unknown suspect shattered their back door window and ransacked their house, specifically the main bedroom, spare bedroom, and living room. Approximate loss is unknown at this time because the homeowner was unable to respond to determine what was stolen.

On 3/9/26, at approximately 7:00 p.m., officers responded to the 1500 block of Voorhees Avenue regarding an attempted burglary. The homeowner was watching TV when she made eye contact with an unknown suspect through her window, which led to her backyard. The suspect ran to the front of the house, entered a Prius, and drove away. Surveillance video was obtained, and detectives are working the case.

On 3/16/26 at approximately 11:53 a.m., MBPD and MBFD responded to a report of a woman pepper-sprayed in the 1100 block of Morningside Drive. The victim had confronted an adult female on an e-scooter who was swerving through traffic, and during their verbal dispute the rider pepper-sprayed her and fled eastbound. MBFD treated the victim, and officers were unable to locate the suspect.

On 3/17/26, at approximately 4:00 p.m., officers responded to Barns and Noble (1800 Rosecrans Ave) regarding a theft that had just occurred. Two subjects entered the store, concealed various books and pens, passed all manned registers, and exited the store with the unpaid items. Suspects fled the scene with the loss and were not located. Total loss was approximately \$300 in books and pens.

On 3/17/26, at approximately 7:00 p.m., officers responded to Target (1200 N. Sepulveda Blvd.) regarding a theft that had just occurred. Officers arrived on scene and located the suspect in the parking lot who stole over \$1,500 worth of merchandise. The suspect was arrested.

On 3/17/26, at approximately 7:00 p.m., officers responded to Barns and Noble (1800 Rosecrans Ave) regarding a theft that had just occurred. One subject entered the store, concealed various books, passed all manned registers without attempting to pay, and exited the store with the unpaid items. The suspect fled the scene with the loss and was not located. Total loss was approximately \$50 in books.

On 3/17/26 at approximately 8:30 p.m., officers responded to the area of the 1100 block of Manhattan Avenue regarding a robbery. The victim was punched in the face by the suspect who attempting to steal the victim's bicycle. The victim sustained a minor injury (scratch to the face). The victim was able to retrieve his property and the suspect fled on foot. Officers checked the area but was unable to locate them.

On 03/22/26 at approximately 7:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to Macy's (3400 block of N. Sepulveda Blvd) for a theft in progress. Loss prevention advised that a male entered the store, selected a perfume bottle, then exited the store without paying. The suspect threatened employees with a pocket knife before exiting the store with the loss. The suspect was not located, but detectives are investigating the case. Total loss is approximately \$200.

On 3/24/26, at approximately 7:30 p.m., officers responded to the Apple Store (3200 N. Sepulveda Blvd.) regarding an unknown trouble. Dispatch advised that a theft attempt occurred, and loss prevention detained one juvenile while another fled. The second suspect was not located; however, the juvenile detained by loss prevention was arrested, booked, and later released to their parents with a notice to appear in court.

On 3/20/26, at approximately 11:30 a.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of 21st Street regarding a reported residential burglary. The homeowners stated they left the residence earlier that morning and, upon returning at approximately 11:15 a.m., discovered that furniture inside had been moved.

The homeowners reviewed their security footage and observed unknown suspects in the backyard who subsequently entered the residence through a second-story window. The suspects stole jewelry and personal documents before fleeing the scene, resulting in an estimated loss of approximately \$30,000.

Surveillance video, including footage of a suspected getaway vehicle, has been obtained. Detectives are actively investigating the case.

On 3/26/26, at approximately 8:45 p.m., officers responded to the 1300 block of 23rd Street for a theft report of a catalytic converter. The registered owner of a Toyota Tacoma checked his surveillance video and saw a potential suspect vehicle (black sedan) stop in front of his house at approximately 5:00 A.M.. Detectives are investigating the case.

On 3/30/26, at approximately 10:30 P.M., officers were dispatched to the 1600 block of Wendy Way regarding two suspects entering unlocked vehicles. Officers arrived on scene and were able to detain one of the suspects, a juvenile, who was wearing gloves, a mask, and carrying a replica firearm (bb gun). The other suspect hid in the neighborhood, and a small perimeter was established. With the assistance of outside agencies MBPD officers were able to locate the suspec

On 3/31/26, at approximately 7:30 P.M., an officer was dispatched to our front lobby for the report of a theft from a vehicle that occurred in the 1700 block of Wendy Way. Loss included a specific leather clutch which was in possession of a subject arrested in the 1600 block of Wendy Way on the previous night.

On 3/31/26, at approximately 4:00 P.M., officers responded to Target (1200 N. Sepulveda Blvd.) regarding a theft in progress. Loss prevention advised a transient entered the store and concealed merchandise in his backpack before leaving without paying. Upon arrival, officers located the suspect who was subsequently arrested for shoplifting.

Out of the 16 vehicle burglaries:

- 8 thefts from unlocked vehicles
- 2 “surfer burg” thefts
- 1 theft from an unlocked vehicle, unknown how entry was made
- 1 theft from open truck bed
- 1 door pried open
- 1 stolen spare tire
- 1 stolen tailgate
- 1 stolen catalytic converter