

**TO:** James L. App, City Manager  
**FROM:** Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police  
**SUBJ:** Crime Statistics  
**DATE:** March 7, 2000



**NEEDS:** For the City Council to receive and file 1999 crime statistics.

- FACTS:**
1. Official 1999 crime statistics will not be released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation until October 2000.
  2. We have compiled Paso Robles statistics early to provide the City Council with a preview of the formal federal report.
  3. Crime statistics are based on seven (7) major crimes (murder, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny, vehicle theft) and arson. These crimes are used because they can be trend indicators.
  4. Total crime was down 2 percent from 1998 levels and the seven (7) major crimes were down 1 percent. Total crimes per capita for 1994 were 202.60 crimes per 1000 population. This number decreased to 160.70 crimes per 1000 population in 1998, and decreased to 154.84 in 1999.
  5. An increase was noted in five categories of the seven (7) major crimes (robbery, aggravated assault larceny-theft, arson and vehicle theft), however, there was a decrease in three categories (murder, rape and burglary.) [See attachment A.]

**ANALYSIS &  
CONCLUSION:**

The total crime picture for Paso Robles continues to remain relatively low in our 6-year comparison. Of concern is the increase in aggravated assaults, from 42 in 1998 to 73 in 1999, and the increase in larceny-theft and vehicle theft.

The Special Enforcement Team has been deployed since October 1998. This team continues to track criminal activity within our community.

Community Oriented Policing and innovative solutions to crime problems, social disorder and problem solving techniques involving the community appear to be having a positive effect on crime trends within our City.

**POLICY  
REFERENCE:**

Community Oriented Policing Policy Statement.

**FISCAL  
IMPACT:**

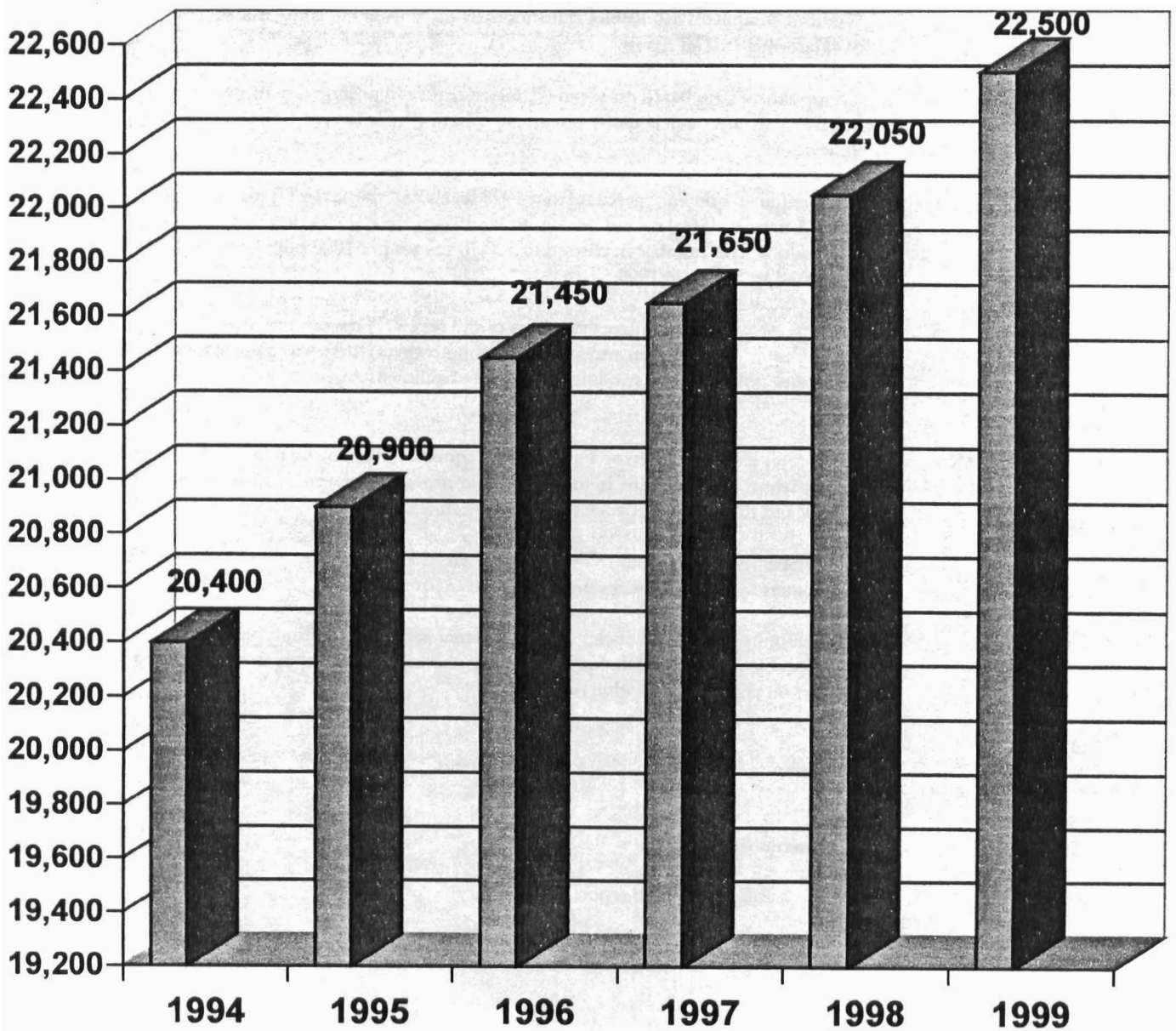
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**OPTIONS:**

1. Receive and file report.

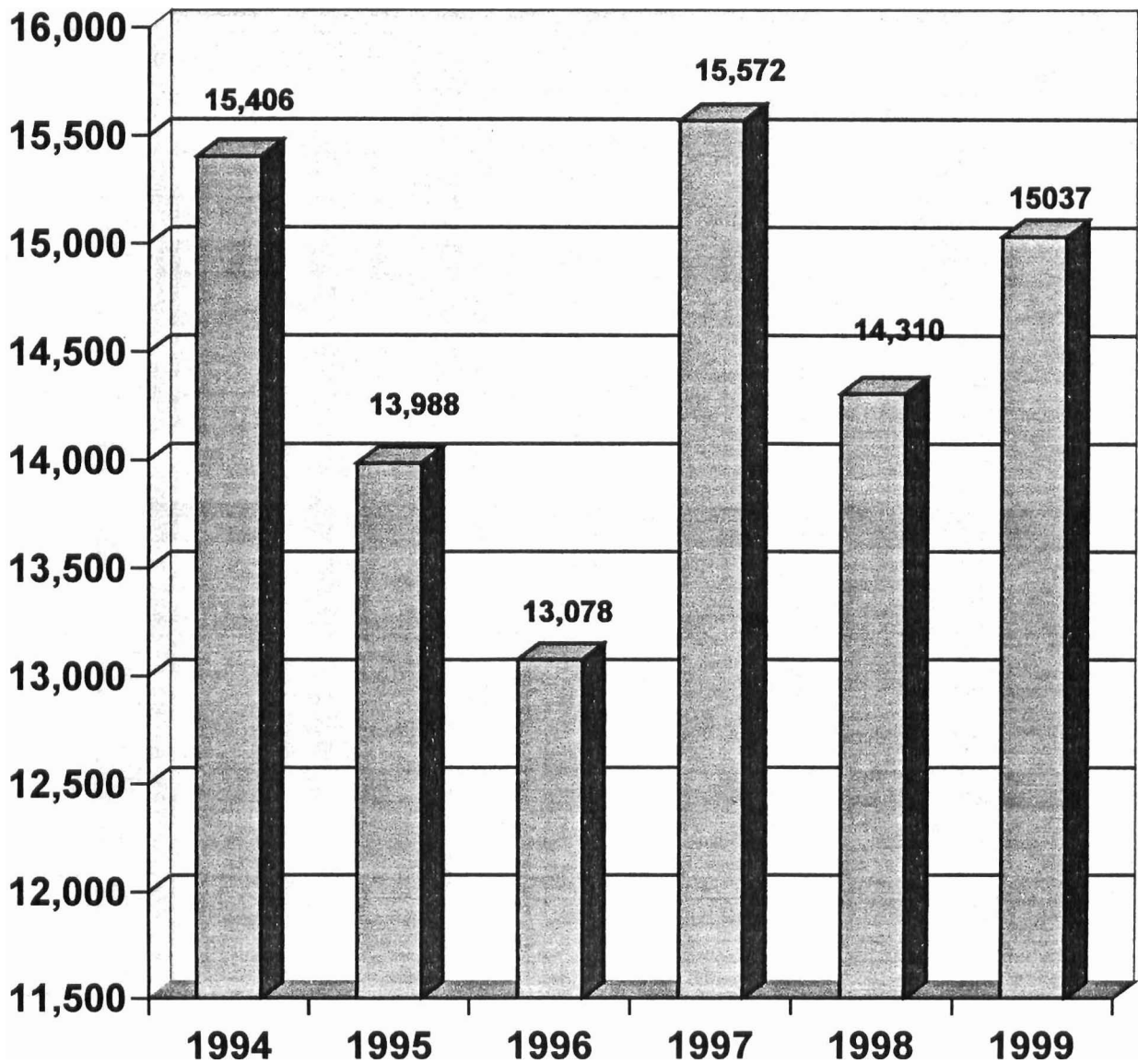
# City of El Paso de Robles

## *Population*



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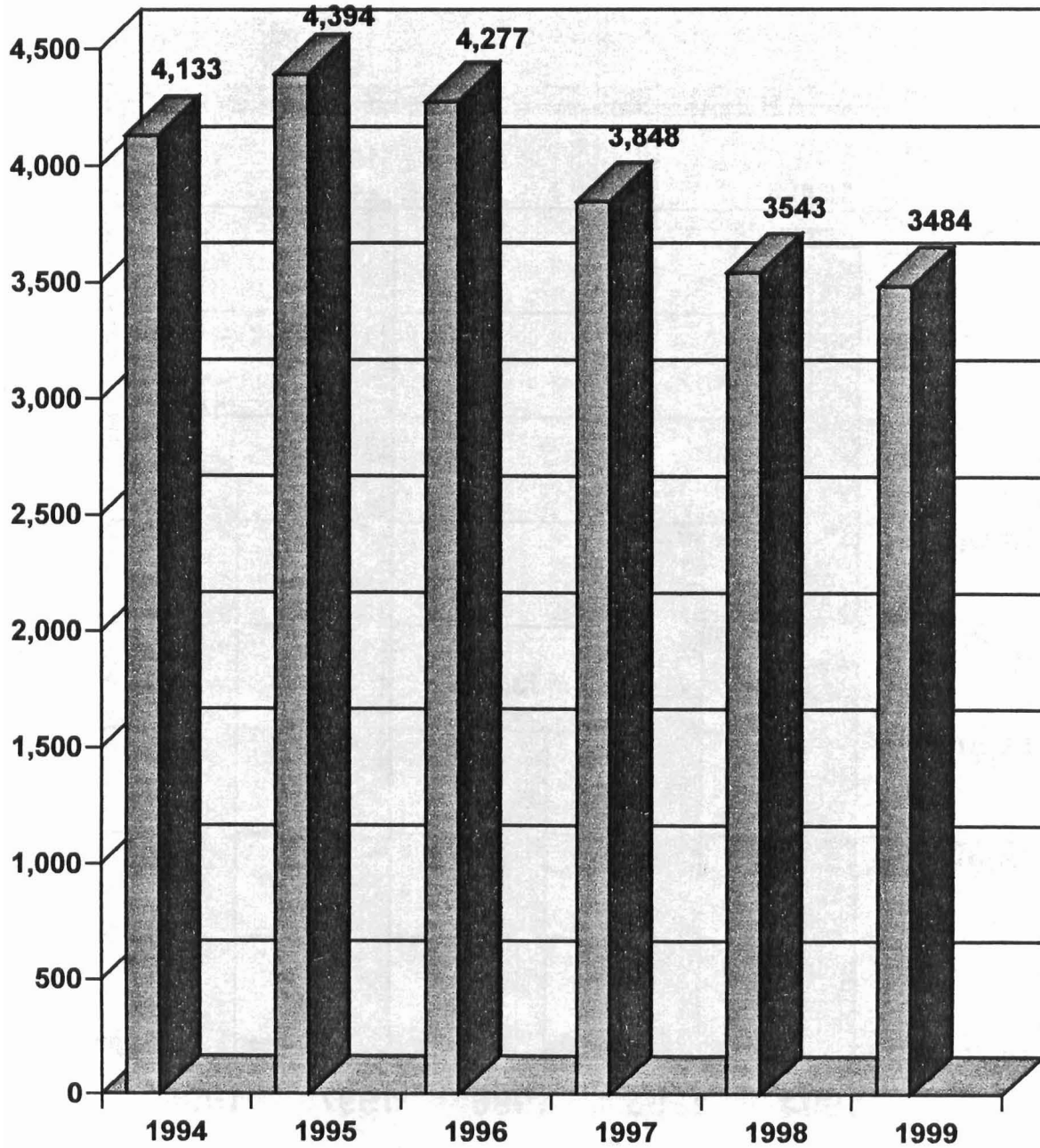
## *Calls for Service* (MMR Reports)



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## *Total Crimes*

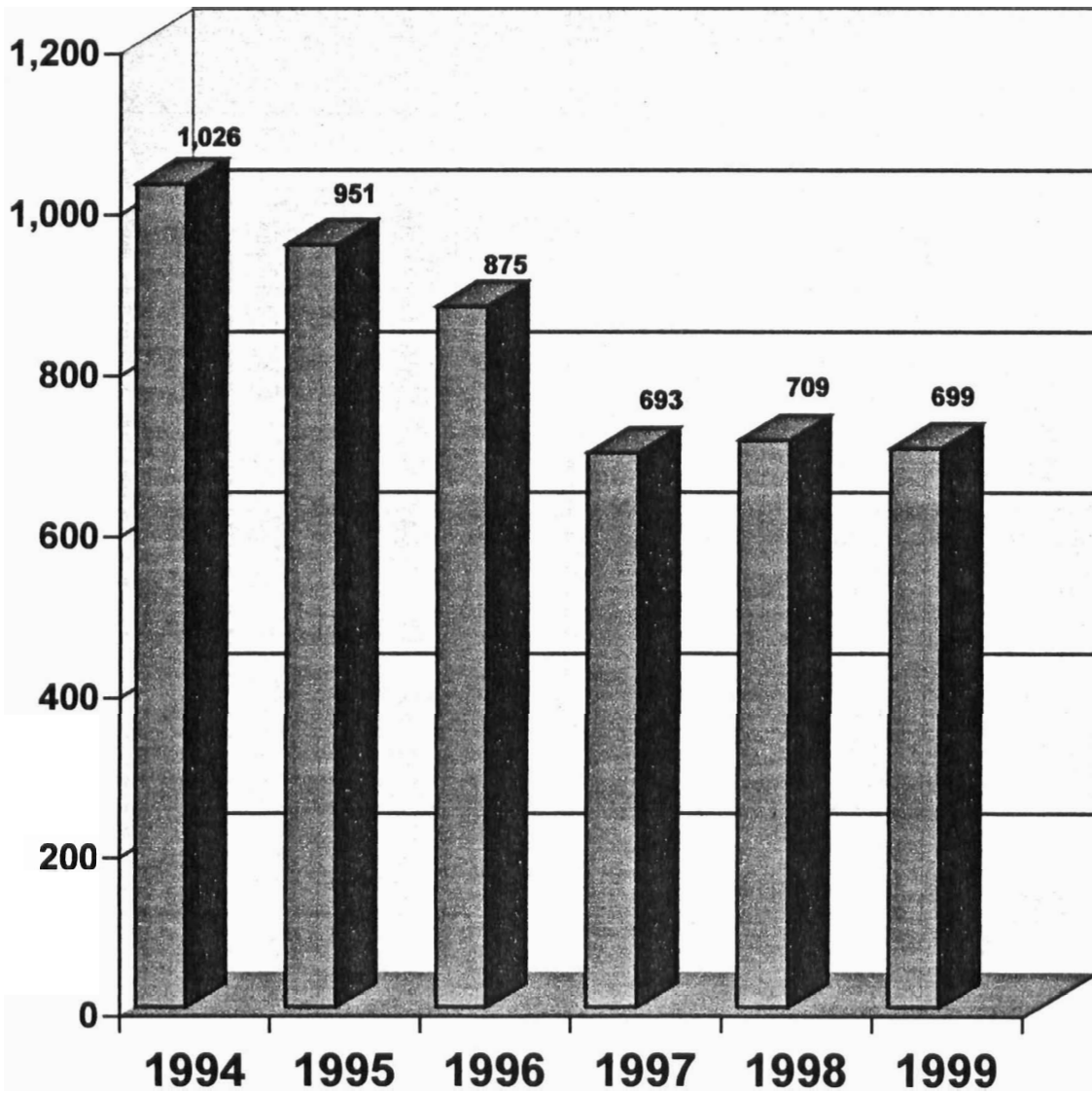
(Including the seven Major Crimes plus Arson)



# City of El Paso de Robles

## *Seven Major Crimes plus Arson*

(Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, burglary, Larceny/Theft, Vehicle theft and Arson)



# PASO ROBLES POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME STATISTICS

## ATTACHMENT "A"

Year	Population	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggrav. Assault	Burglary	Larceny-Theft	Arson	Vehicle Theft	Total Crimes
1994	20,400	1	12	11	158	237	534	6	67	1026
1995	20,900	1	8	9	135	249	493	4	52	951
1996	21,450	0	14	13	82	159	559	2	46	875
1997	21,650	1	8	9	65	151	422	8	29	693
1998	22,050	3	11	9	42	184	433	2	25	709
1999	22,500	1	6	10	73	111	450	4	44	699
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