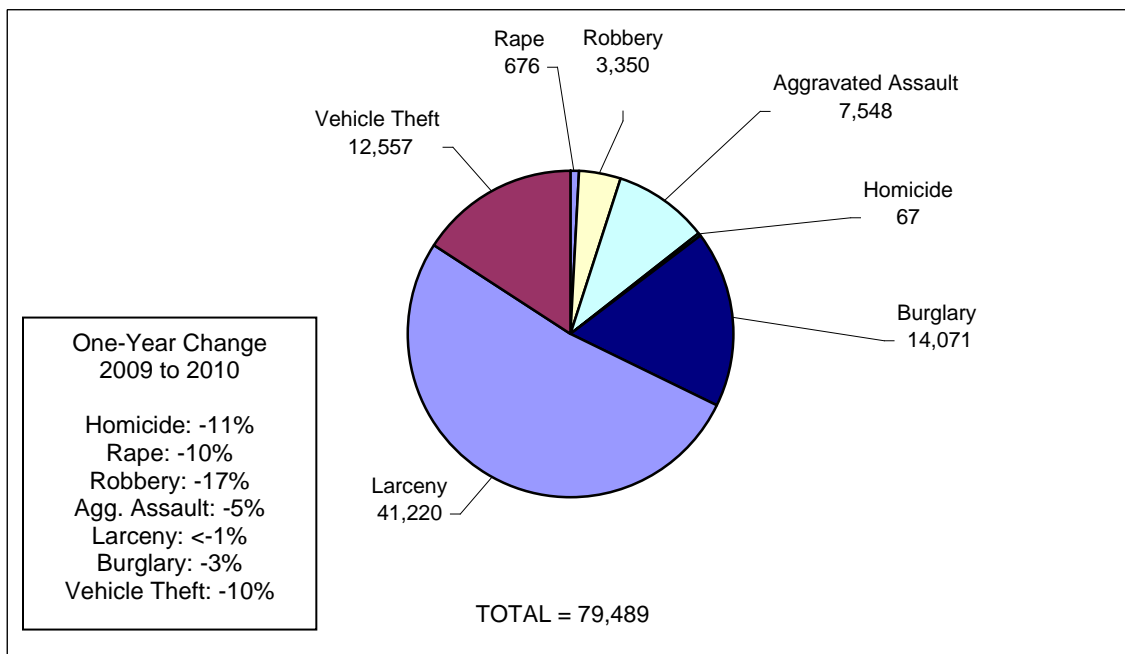


## 2010 Regional Crime Preview: Violent and Property Crime at 30-Year Low

Since 1980, SANDAG has been reporting regional crime statistics for the San Diego region through a cooperative agreement with local law enforcement agencies. Updated crime numbers and rates for the region, as well as individual departments, are currently being finalized. The first CJ Bulletin in the 2011 series, *Thirty Years of Crime in the San Diego Region: 1981 through 2010*, will be released early next month. As a preview to the bulletin, this CJ Fax highlights how many Part I<sup>1</sup> crimes were reported to local law enforcement in 2010 across the region, as well as how these numbers changed compared to 2009. As Figure 1 shows, crime continues its downward trend, with 79,489 crimes reported to local law enforcement in 2010, reflecting a 4 percent decrease from 2009 (when 82,512 crimes were reported). The most frequent crimes were property-related, with larceny, burglary, and motor vehicle theft all decreasing to varying degrees (from <-1% to -10%). Among violent crimes, robberies fell 17 percent, followed by homicides with a decrease of 11 percent from the previous year.

**Figure 1  
REGIONAL 2010 PART I CRIMES AND ONE-YEAR PERCENT CHANGES**



SOURCE: SANDAG

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<sup>1</sup> Part I crimes include four violent offenses and three property offenses that are tracked nationwide in a standardized manner by the FBI. Other crimes, such as drug-related offenses and vandalism, are documented as Part II crimes, but consistent categorization schemes are not utilized, limiting the ability to compare these numbers across jurisdictions.