

UNDERSTANDING COLORADO'S CRIME TRENDS: LOCAL PROGRESS, NATIONAL STANDING

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Colorado's crime trends are mixed: rates declined from recent highs, but so did rates in the rest of the U.S. The state continues to rank among the highest nationwide for both violent and property crime.

Top Line Rankings

3rd

Colorado placed 3rd in aggregated crime in 2024, which includes the property and violent crime ranks.

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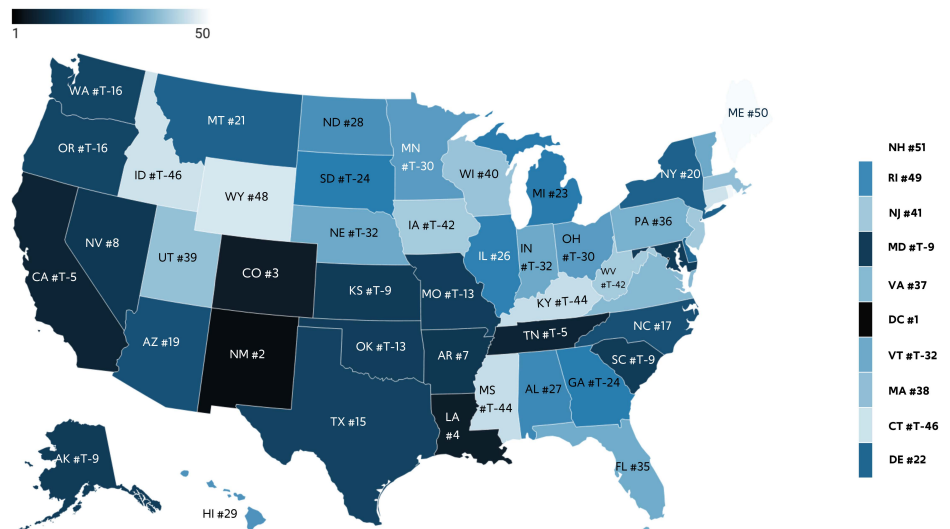
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2024 Aggregate Crime Rank

In 2024, Colorado placed third in aggregate crime ranking that includes property and violent crime ranks.



What's getting better?

- Property crime levels are at an **all-time low**, but they remained **relatively high when compared to the nation**.
- Violent crime declining from early-2020s peak
- Motor vehicle theft **has fallen 62% from its pandemic peak** when Colorado led the nation

What's still concerning?

- Still top 10 nationally** despite declines
- Violent crime remains above 2010s average
- Human trafficking **+304% (2015–2025)**
- Shoplifting **+40%** (recent years)

County insights:

- Adams County** = highest violent and property crime among largest counties
- Pueblo County** = largest recent declines
- Arapahoe County** = lowest violent and property crime among largest counties