

**Drug Free Communities Grant
Narcotic Incidents Involving Juveniles
Age 24 or Younger
Annual Comparison Report
2006 vs. 2007**

Scope of the Problem

2007

- **There were 232 incidents involving drug crimes and youthful offenders (age 24 and younger) between 1/1/07 and 12/31/07.**
- **This represents an 18% decrease from the number of narcotic incidents that involved a youthful offender in 2006 (281) and is also a 6% decrease over the 2005 total (247).**
- **52% of the 446 total narcotics incidents in 2007 involved at least one offender 24 years old or younger.**
- **The 232 incidents involved 318 different known offenders, 282 of which were 24 years old or younger.**
- **Of these 318 known offenders, there were 25 repeat offenders within the one-year time period:**
 - **24 were responsible for two incidents each**
 - **1 was responsible for three incidents**
- **These 25 repeat offenders were involved in 22% (51) of the youthful offender drug incidents occurring during calendar year 2007.**

2006

- **There were 281 incidents involving drug crimes and youthful offenders (age 24 and younger) between 1/1/06 and 12/31/06.**
- **This represents a 14% increase from the number of narcotic incidents that involved a youthful offender in 2005.**
- **59% of the 478 total narcotics incidents in 2006 involved at least one offender 24 years old or younger.**
- **The 281 incidents involved 414 different known offenders, 358 of which were 24 years old or younger.**
- **Of these 414 known offenders, there were 33 repeat offenders within the one year time period:**
 - **31 were responsible for two incidents each**
 - **1 was responsible for three incidents**
 - **1 was responsible for five incidents**
- **These 33 repeat offenders were involved in 25% (70) of the youthful offender drug incidents occurring during calendar year 2006.**

Incident Information

Time of Day

Time	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07	% Change
00:00 – 04:00	15% (36)	13% (30)	-2%
04:01 – 08:00	2% (5)	3% (7)	+1%
08:01 – 12:00	10% (26)	10% (24)	0
12:01 – 16:00	17% (41)	13% (29)	-4%
16:01 – 20:00	24% (60)	28% (66)	+4%
20:01 – 24:00	32% (79)	32% (74)	0
Unknown	0	1% (2)	+1%
Total	100% (281)	100% (232)	

The most active time period for both years was 8:00 p.m. to Midnight, with 32% of the incidents occurring during this four-hour segment during both years. The largest increase in incidents occurred between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., with 24% occurring during this time period in 2006 rising to 28% during this time period in 2007. A corresponding decrease in incidents was found between Noon and 4:00 p.m. with the 2007 total for this time period dropping to 13%. All other time periods were fairly consistent between the two years.

Day of Week

Day	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07	% Change
Monday	13% (37)	18% (43)	+5%
Tuesday	15% (41)	15% (34)	0
Wednesday	17% (48)	16% (38)	-1%
Thursday	14% (40)	17% (40)	+3%
Friday	15% (41)	15% (34)	0
Saturday	11% (30)	12% (27)	+1%
Sunday	15% (44)	7% (16)	-8%
Total	100% (281)	100% (232)	

There was much more variation by day in 2007 than was found in 2006. The range between the least active and most active in 2006 was only 6%, while the range between these two in 2007 was 11%. Sunday was the least active day with only 7% of the incidents while Monday was most active with 18% of the incidents. In contrast, in 2006 the most active day was Wednesday with 17% of the incidents and the least active was Saturday with 11%.

Type of Location

Location	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07	% Change
Car	51% (142)	50% (116)	-1%
Street	13% (35)	14% (32)	+1%
Commercial/Pkg Lot	11% (32)	12% (28)	+1%
3 rd Party Residence	10% (29)	6% (14)	-4%
Offender Residence	7% (21)	8% (18)	+1%
School	4% (12)	3% (7)	-1%
Victim Residence	2% (5)	2% (6)	0
Other	2% (5)	5% (11)	+3%
Total	100% (281)	100% (232)	

The majority of incidents in both 2006 and 2007 occurred as a result of a car stop. The high percentage of incidents that were the result of a car stop illustrates the effects of the proactive law enforcement efforts underway in the City of Brockton. The locations of “Street” and “Commercial Property” were the second and third most frequently seen in both 2006 and 2007.

Primary Crime Code

Crime	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07	% Change
Possession Class D	24% (67)	32% (73)	+8%
Poss w/intent to Dist B	21% (59)	17% (40)	-4%
Poss w/intent to Dist D	15% (42)	20% (47)	+5%
Distribution Class B	11% (30)	6% (14)	-5%
Possession Class B	12% (35)	13% (30)	+1%
Trafficking Class B	3% (8)	3% (8)	0
Poss w/intent to Dist A	3% (9)	1% (2)	-2%
Distribution Class D	1% (2)	2% (4)	+1%
Possession Class A	4% (12)	3% (6)	-1%
Drug Paraphernalia	1% (3)	0	-1%
Possession Class E	1% (2)	0	-1%
Distribution Class A	1% (2)	0	-1%
Distribution Class C	0	0	0
Trafficking Class A	1% (2)	0% (1)	-1%
Possession Class C	1% (2)	0	-1%
Other	2% (6)	3% (7)	+1%
Total	100% (281)	100% (232)	

The percentage of incidents involving marijuana (Possession Class D, Poss w/intent to Distribute Class D, and Distribution Class D) rose by 14% between 2006 and 2007, with the largest increase shown in the Possession of Class D crime type (+8%). In contrast, the percentage of incidents involving Possession of Class B (cocaine) and Distribution of Class B fell by 9% between these two time frames. Incidents involving marijuana now account for over half (54%) of all narcotics related crimes.

Offender Information

2007

- The 232 incidents involved 318 different known offenders, 282 of which were 24 years old or younger.

2006

- The 281 incidents involved 414 different known offenders, 358 of which were 24 years old or younger.

Offender Gender

Gender	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Male	84% (346)	89% (284)
Female	16% (68)	11% (34)
Total	100% (414)	100% (318)

The vast majority of offenders for both years were male, 84% in 2006 and 89% in 2007. The percentage of female offenders decreased from 16% in 2006 to only 11% in 2007.

Offender Race

Race	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
African-American	57% (236)	58% (184)
Caucasian	29% (118)	23% (74)
Cape Verdean	0	1% (2)
Unknown	14% (60)	18% (58)
Total	100% (414)	100% (318)

The majority of offenders were categorized on the police report as “African-American” for both 2006 and 2007. The percentage of offenders categorized as Caucasian decreased by 6% between the years.

Offender Age

Age	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
12 years old or younger	0	1% (2)
13 years old	1% (2)	1% (3)
14 years old	2% (10)	1% (3)
15 years old	4% (15)	2% (7)
16 years old	5% (22)	4% (14)
17 years old	9% (38)	8% (26)
18 years old	10% (43)	9% (29)
19 years old	13% (52)	11% (36)
20 years old	9% (38)	15% (49)
21 years old	8% (33)	9% (27)
22 years old	9% (37)	9% (29)
23 years old	10% (42)	9% (29)
24 years old	6% (25)	8% (24)
25+ years old	13% (52)	11% (34)
Unknown	1% (5)	2% (6)
Total	100% (414)	100% (318)

Approximately one third of the youthful offenders involved in narcotics crime are between the ages of 18 and 20 (32% in 2006 and 35% in 2007) and one-third are between the ages of 21 and 24 (33% in 2006 and 35% in 2007).

Types of Drugs Involved

Drug Type	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Marijuana	37% (152)	47% (148)
Cocaine	32% (132)	27% (85)
Combination of Drugs	12% (51)	15% (49)
Heroin	6% (24)	3% (10)
Prescription Drugs	4% (16)	2% (7)
No Drugs Involved (Arrested with other suspects involved with drugs)	8% (34)	5% (15)
Unknown	1% (5)	1% (4)
Total	100% (414)	100% (318)

The majority of youthful offenders were arrested in possession of marijuana during both time frames, 37% in 2006 and 47% in 2007. In addition, almost one third of the offenders in 2006 were involved with cocaine, but this percentage fell to 27% in 2007.

Offender's Status Following the Incident

Status	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Arrested	94% (387)	90% (285)
Investigative Report	6% (27)	10% (33)
Total	100% (414)	100% (318)

Incidents involving narcotics are by nature usually the result of some police action that is going to result in an arrest. Therefore, it is expected that the vast majority of offenders will be arrested at the conclusion of the incident. In 2006, 94% of the youthful narcotics offenders were arrested and in 2007 this percentage dipped slightly to 90%.