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Low Crime Rates Continues in St. Charles Parish

Sheriff Greg Champagne is pleased to report that the crime rate in St. Charles Parish has reached the second lowest totals since he took office in 1996. The totals are only one half of a point higher to last year's record setting year.

In 2015, a total of 1,786 U.C.R. crimes were reported in the parish. This number is slightly up from the 1777 U.C.R. crimes reported in 2014.

The breakdown in the 7 categories tracked by The Federal Bureau of Investigation is as follows:

<i>Index Crime</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Murder	4	4	No change
Rape	10	10	No change
Robbery	22	23	+4.5%
Assault	706	663	-6.1%
Burglary	208	235	+13%
Theft	738	778	+5.4%
Auto Theft	89	73	-21.9%
Overall Total	1777	1786	.5%

The Sheriff's Office releases quarterly Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) regarding seven (7) Index Crimes compiled for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.