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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT: AUGUST 2025 IN REVIEW

CPD Announces Department Efforts, Citywide Crime Statistics for August 2025

Gun violence continued to decline this August, with the number of shooting incidents, victims and homicides falling for the seventh consecutive month. This August, homicides dropped 24% compared to this time last year. It was the lowest August monthly total since the 48 homicides in 2014. There were also double-digit declines in shooting incidents, shooting victims and robberies with a firearm in comparison to last August.

"This summer, our heroic officers secured many large scale events and festivals, while they continued to drive down crime in our neighborhoods citywide," said Superintendent Larry Snelling. "We will continue to build on this progress through strategic deployment of resources and community partnership."

Earlier this month, members of the Chicago Police Department attended the 2025 Cook County Regional Organized Crime Task Force (CCROC) Conference, which brings together law enforcement, prosecutors and other partners focused on combating financial crimes. During the opening ceremony, CCROC honored CPD Lieutenant Ryan Delaney, who played a vital role in launching the Department's Organized Retail Crime Task Force in 2021 and led numerous long-term investigations with the task force.

This August marked four years since the loss of Officer Ella French (E.O.W. August 7, 2021). Her memory was enshrined with the unveiling of Honorary Officer Ella French Way outside of the Leighton Criminal Courthouse. On what would have been her 34th birthday, a bronze sculpture of Officer French was installed at Wentworth Park. The dog friendly area at the park was also dedicated in recognition of Officer French, paying tribute to her love and advocacy for animals, especially dogs. These memorials forever honor Officer French's sacrifice and ensure her legacy lives on.

As summer winds down, CPD officers continued to work diligently to ensure the safety and success of events across the city, from block parties and back-to-school supply drives to major events like National Night Out, Lollapalooza, Fiesta Del Sol, the Air and Water Show and the 96th Annual Bud Billiken Parade.



AUGUST 2025 CRIME STATISTICS

- Citywide, there were 41 homicides this month, down 24% compared to the 54 homicides last August. In comparison to August 2024, shooting incidents are also down 24%, and a 23% drop in the number of shooting victims.
- Since the start of the year, there have been 278 homicides, a 31% drop year to date and the lowest since 2014. Compared to last year, there is a 35% drop in shooting incidents and a 36% decline in shooting victims.
- Through August, the Bureau of Detectives has cleared a total of 204 homicides.
- Based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) figures, overall Part I crimes have fallen 14% year to date and 19% month to date. Violent crime is down 22% compared to last year, with a 20% month to date decline, while property crime has dropped 11% over last year and 19% month to date.
- Overall robberies are down 25% month to date, with a 33% year to date decline. Robberies with a firearm have dropped 41% in comparison to last August and 43% for the year.
- Motor vehicle thefts are down 28% this month and 26% year to date. There is a 17% decline in burglaries compared to August 2024, with a 20% year to date drop.
- This August, Part I transit crimes dropped 16% compared to this time last year. Month to date, violent crime on the CTA is down 20% and there's a 13% decline in property crime.
- Since the start of the year, the city has recorded 341 vehicular hijackings, down 48% compared to this time in 2024. Officers have made 1,044 motor vehicle-related arrests, including 135 for felony vehicular hijacking.
- Officers recovered 941 firearms this month – an average of 30 firearms each day – and 7,645 firearms since the start of 2025.

SHOOTINGS – AUGUST

2025: 176
2024: 232
2023: 231
2022: 301

SHOOTINGS – JAN. 1 – AUG. 31

2025: 1,019
2024: 1,579
2023: 1,674
2022: 1,895

SHOOTING VICTIMS – AUGUST

2025: 236
2024: 305
2023: 275
2022: 382

SHOOTING VICTIMS – JAN. 1 – AUG. 31

2025: 1,273
2024: 1,977
2023: 2,004
2022: 2,363

MURDERS – AUGUST

2025: 41
2024: 54
2023: 59
2022: 71

MURDERS – JAN. 1 – AUG. 31

2025: 278
2024: 401
2023: 433
2022: 464

** All crime statistics are preliminary and subject to further analysis or change. **