

# Police-reported crime in rural and urban areas, 2021

Rural areas accounted for **15%** of the population of the provinces, but...

**30%**  
of traffic offences



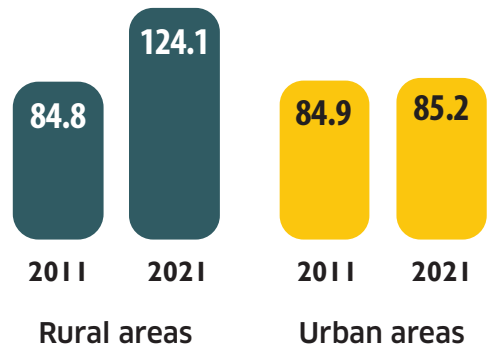
**24%**  
of violent crimes



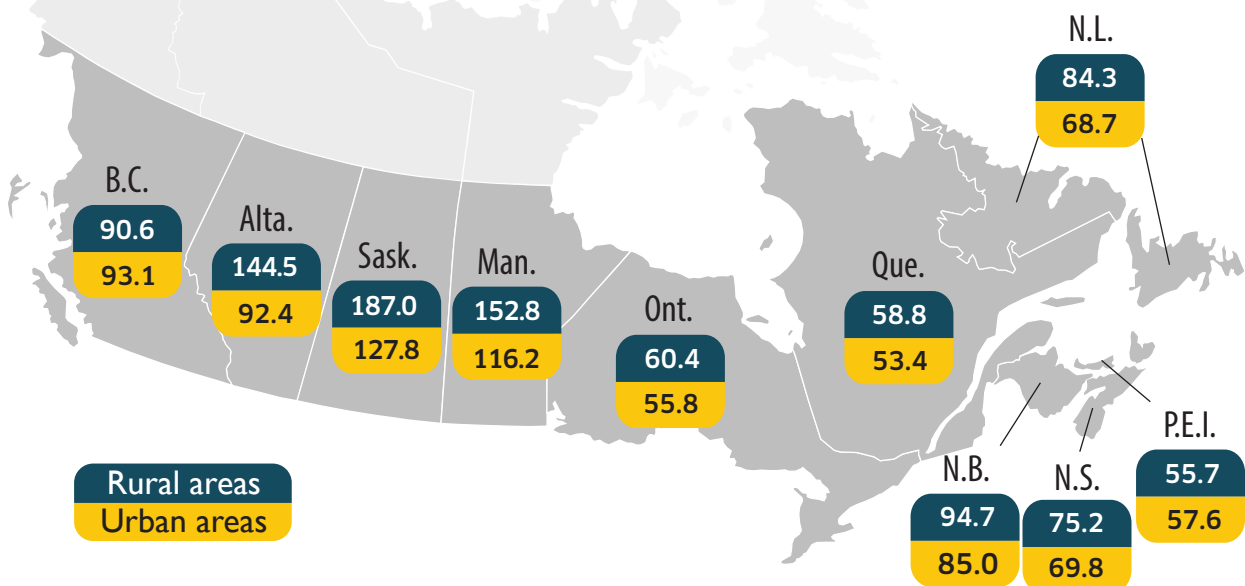
**18%**  
of property crimes



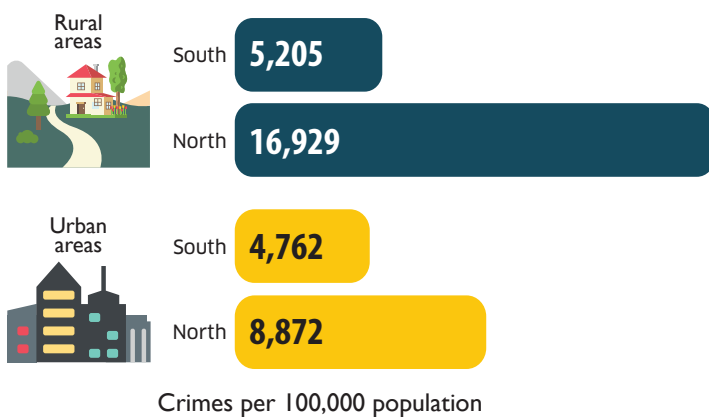
The Violent Crime Severity Index (CSI) measures the volume and severity of violent crimes.



In rural areas, the CSI was highest in the Prairies.



Crime is higher in the northern part of the provinces.



Intimate partner violence is almost **twice** as prevalent in rural areas as it is in urban areas.



There were **545** victims per 100,000 persons aged 12 and older in rural areas, compared with **296** victims in urban areas.

For more information, please consult the *Juristat* article "Police-reported crime in rural and urban areas in the Canadian provinces, 2021."

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