

Crime in 2006

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The present article presents data on crime dealt with by the Slovenian police. In 2006 the police forwarded criminal complaints and reports complementing criminal complaints to state prosecutors for 90.354 criminal offences, an increase of 7,1 % compared with 2005. The rise in criminal offences is a consequence of an increased number of reported criminal offences as well as those detected by the police. Despite the increased number of investigated criminal offences the share of the cleared-up criminal offences also rose by 1,9 %. In comparison with 2005 the extent of economic and organised crime rose, while the extent of juvenile crime decreased.

The multi-annual comparison shows that despite some fluctuation from year to year the number of criminal offences increases. The decline recorded between 1995 and 1998 was a result of changed criminal legislation, its implementation and recording of criminal offences. However, greater consistency in filling the criminal complaints for misdemeanours, the readiness of citizens to report such offences and the increase in the so called related crime, contributed to further statistical increase in crime.

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