

**NOTICE OF LA MARQUE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE AND IN-PERSON**

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the La Marque City Council will conduct a Special Workshop on Monday, November 15, 2021, beginning at 1:00 PM. In accordance with Section 551.127(b) of the Texas Government Code a quorum of the La Marque City Council and the Mayor intend to be and will be physically present at 1109-B Bayou Road, La Marque, Texas. This location will be open to the public and the meeting will be broadcast at this location and via YouTube.

This Notice, the meeting agenda, and the agenda packet can be found online at:

<https://ci.la-marque.tx.us/AgendaCenter>

The public will be permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided below and as permitted by the Mayor during the meeting. A recording of the telephonic meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

THE PUBLIC TOLL-FREE DIAL-IN NUMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING IS:

1 (346) 248-7799

ONCE YOU ARE CONNECTED, YOU MUST ENTER THE FOLLOWING:

Meeting ID: 92493940502

Press *6 to mute or unmute your phone line. You may also connect to the meeting on your smartphone, tablet or computer by going to the following internet address:

<https://zoom.us/j/92493940502>

Once you are on the website, you may need to enter the following:

Meeting ID: 924 9394 0502

If you require accommodation to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk at 409-938-9259 or cityclerk@cityoflamarque.org at least 48 hours prior to the meeting start time.



1111 Bayou Road
La Marque, Texas
409-938-9202

Mayor - Keith Bell

Kimberley Yancy - District A

Mayor Pro-Tem Joe Compian - District B

Councilmember Michael Carlson - District C

Councilmember Casey McAuliffe - District D

**CITY OF LA MARQUE
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSHOP
of
NOVEMBER 15, 2021**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas will conduct a **SPECIAL WORKSHOP on November 15, 2021, beginning at 1:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 1109-B Bayou Rd, La Marque, Texas as well as via videoconference hosted through (ZOOM).** In accordance with Section 551.127(b) of the Texas Government Code a quorum of the La Marque City Council and the Mayor intend to be and will be physically present at 1109-B Bayou Road, La Marque, Texas. This location will be open to the public and the meeting will be broadcast at this location and via YouTube. The council will meet for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

(1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(2) ROLL CALL

(3) INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4) CITIZENS PARTICIPATION (Limited to three minutes per person)

Comments from the public will be heard at this time. Any person with city-related business who has signed up may speak to Council on a specific agenda item (limited to three (3) minutes) should give the Mayor your name and the item you wish to speak about. In compliance with Texas Open Meeting Act, the City may not deliberate on comments. Personal attacks will not be allowed, and personnel matters should be addressed to the City Manager during normal business hours. **Press *6 to mute or unmute if you are participating by telephone, press the unmute button if attending via zoom on a smartphone, tablet or computer, or stand if attending in person, and the Mayor will call on you in turn.**

(5) OLD BUSINESS

a. Safe City Initiative – Phase II (Mayor Bell/Police Chief Randall Aragon)

(6) ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at 1109-B Bayou Road, La Marque, Texas on or before November 12, 2021, before 1:00 p.m.

Robin Eldridge, TRMC
City Clerk



La Marque, Texas—Demographics

(As per “City-Data”)

Population in 2019: 17,319 (97% urban, 3% rural).

Population change since 2000: **+26.6%**

Median resident age: 39.6 years

Texas median age: 35.1 years

Estimated median household income in 2019: \$55,176 (it was \$34,841 in 2000)

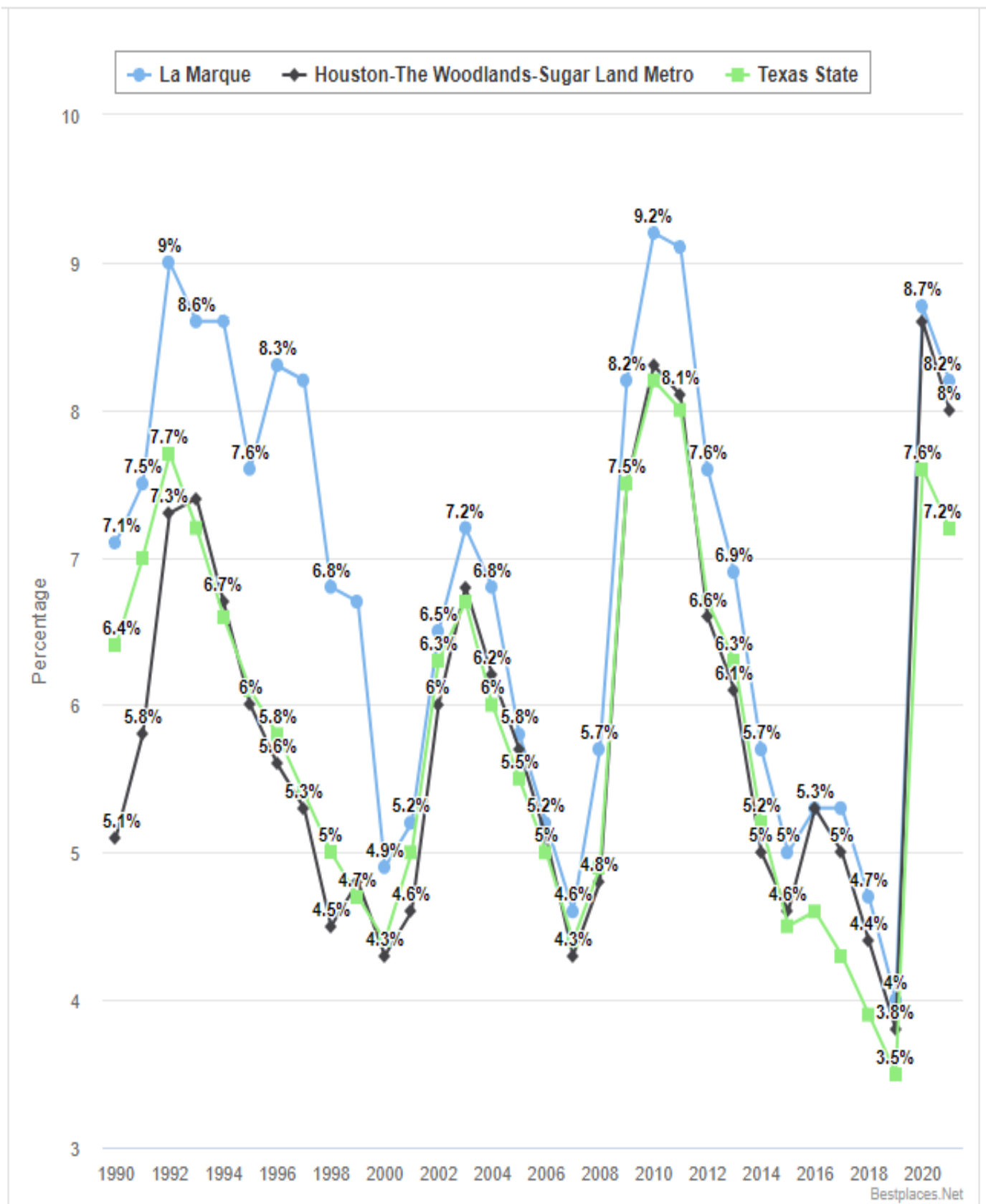
La Marque: \$55,176

TX: \$64,034

Estimated per capita income in 2019: \$25,922 (it was \$17,518 in 2000)

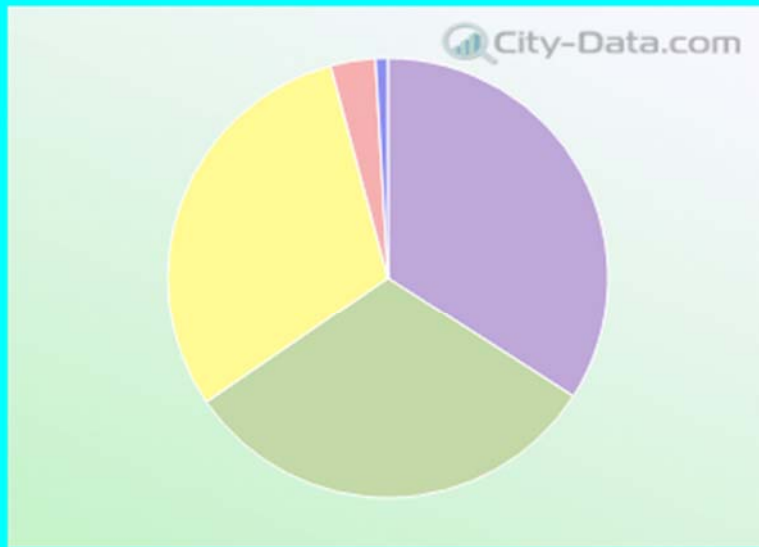
Estimated median house or condo value in 2019: \$130,509 (it was \$57,800 in 2000) La Marque: \$130,509 TX: \$200,400

Land area: 14.2 square miles.



EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION	La Marque, Texas	United States
Unemployment Rate (eff. May 2021)	8.2%	6%
Galveston County = 6.3% (eff. August 2021)	Texas = 5.9% (eff. September 2021)	

Races in La Marque, TX (2019)



White (34.1%)
 Black (30.4%)
 2+ races (0.9%)
 Hispanic (31.4%)
 Asian (3.3%)

White alone	34.1%	5,817
Hispanic	31.4%	5,352
Black alone	30.4%	5,184
Asian alone	3.3%	559
Two or more races	0.9%	148
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0.03%	5
American Indian alone	0.02%	3

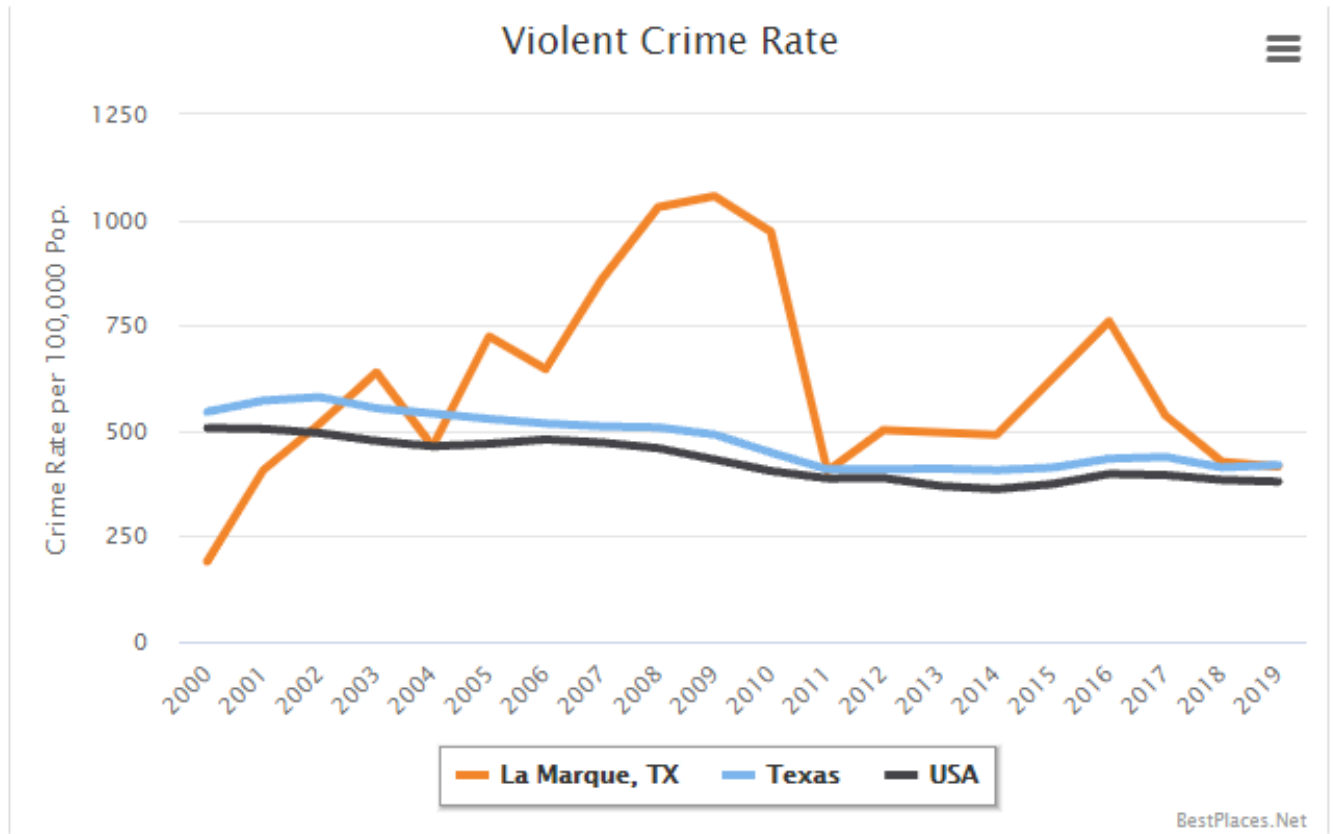
Crime in La Marque, Texas (as per “Sperling's Best Places”

Crime is ranked on a scale of 1 (low crime) to 100 (high crime)

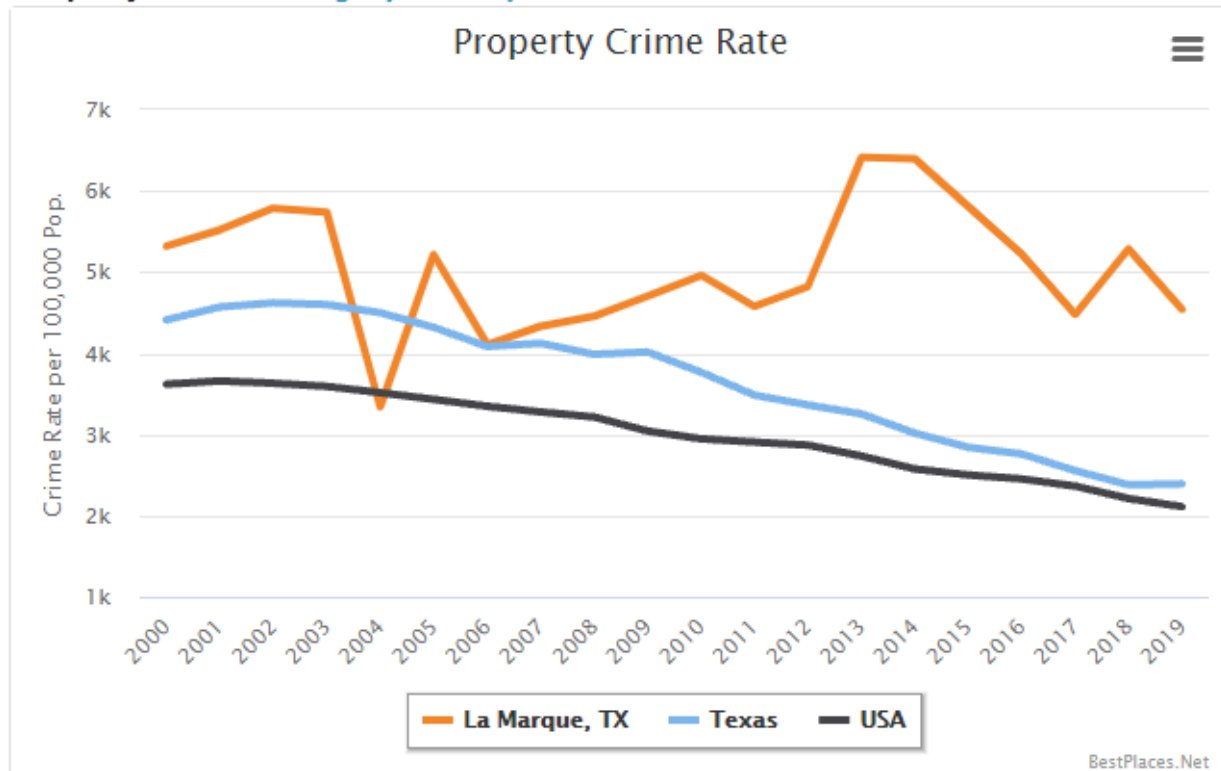
La Marque violent crime is 36.4. (The US average is 22.7)

La Marque property crime is 77.3. (The US average is 35.4)

Violent Crimes - [Murder](#) [Rape](#) [Robbery](#) [Assault](#)



Property Crimes - [Burglary](#) [Larceny](#) [Auto Theft](#)

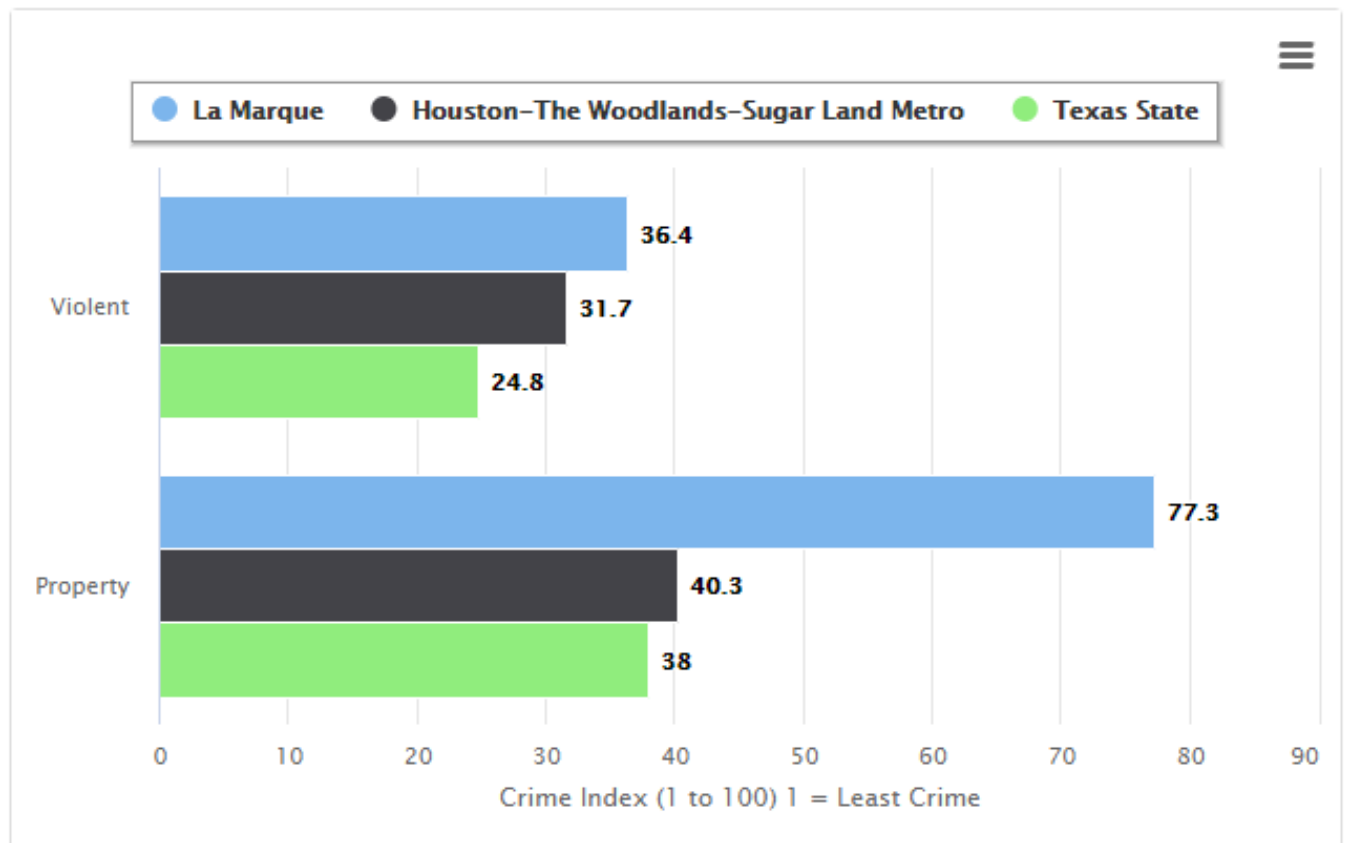


Crime in Nearby Cities

City	Violent per 100k	Property per 100k	Pop.	Miles	Data Year
Bayou Vista, TX	0.0	307.7	1,625	5	2017
Hitchcock, TX	323.5	1,978.1	8,038	6	2018
Santa Fe, TX	109.8	929.9	13,657	6	2019
Dickinson, TX	312.8	1,772.4	21,101	7	2019
Texas City, TX	400.7	2,819.2	49,659	8	2019

Crime in Similar Size Cities

City	Violent per 100k	Property per 100k	Pop.	Miles	Data Year
Santa Fe, TX	109.8	929.9	13,657	6	2019
Dickinson, TX	312.8	1,772.4	21,101	7	2019
Webster, TX	419.9	6,914.4	11,194	13	2018
Seabrook, TX	136.9	1,355.1	14,611	15	2019
South Houston, TX	464.5	2,565.8	17,655	25	2019



CAUSES OF CRIME

(Published in FBI's *Crime in the United States* Publication)

Historically, the causes and origins of crime have been the subjects of investigation by many disciplines. Some factors that are known to affect the volume and type of crime occurring from place to place are:

- Population density and degree of urbanization.
- Variations in composition of the population, particularly youth concentration.
- Stability of population with respect to residents' mobility, commuting patterns, and transient factors.
- Modes of transportation and highway system.
- Economic conditions, including median income, poverty level, and job availability.
- Cultural factors and educational, recreational, and religious characteristics.
- Family conditions with respect to divorce and family cohesiveness.
- Climate.
- Effective strength of law enforcement agencies.
- Administrative and investigative emphases of law enforcement.
- Policies of other components of the criminal justice system (i.e., prosecutory, judicial, correctional, and probational).
- Citizens' attitudes toward crime.
- Crime reporting practices of the citizenry.

Interim Report of the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing

(Key Recommendations I Feel are Worthy of Mention)

2.9 RECOMMENDATION: Law enforcement agencies and municipalities should refrain from practices requiring officers to issue a predetermined number of tickets, citations, arrests, or summonses, or to initiate investigative contacts with citizens for reasons not directly related to improving public safety, such as generating revenue.

4.1 RECOMMENDATION: Law enforcement agencies should develop and adopt policies and strategies that reinforce the importance of community engagement in managing public safety.

4.2 RECOMMENDATION: Community policing should be infused throughout the culture and organizational structure of law enforcement agencies.

4.5 RECOMMENDATION: Community policing emphasizes working with neighborhood residents to co-produce public safety. Law enforcement agencies should work with community residents to identify problems and collaborate on implementing solutions that produce meaningful results for the community.

***NOTE: Of the 99 pages with 62 total "Recommendations," three (3) see above, related to COP**



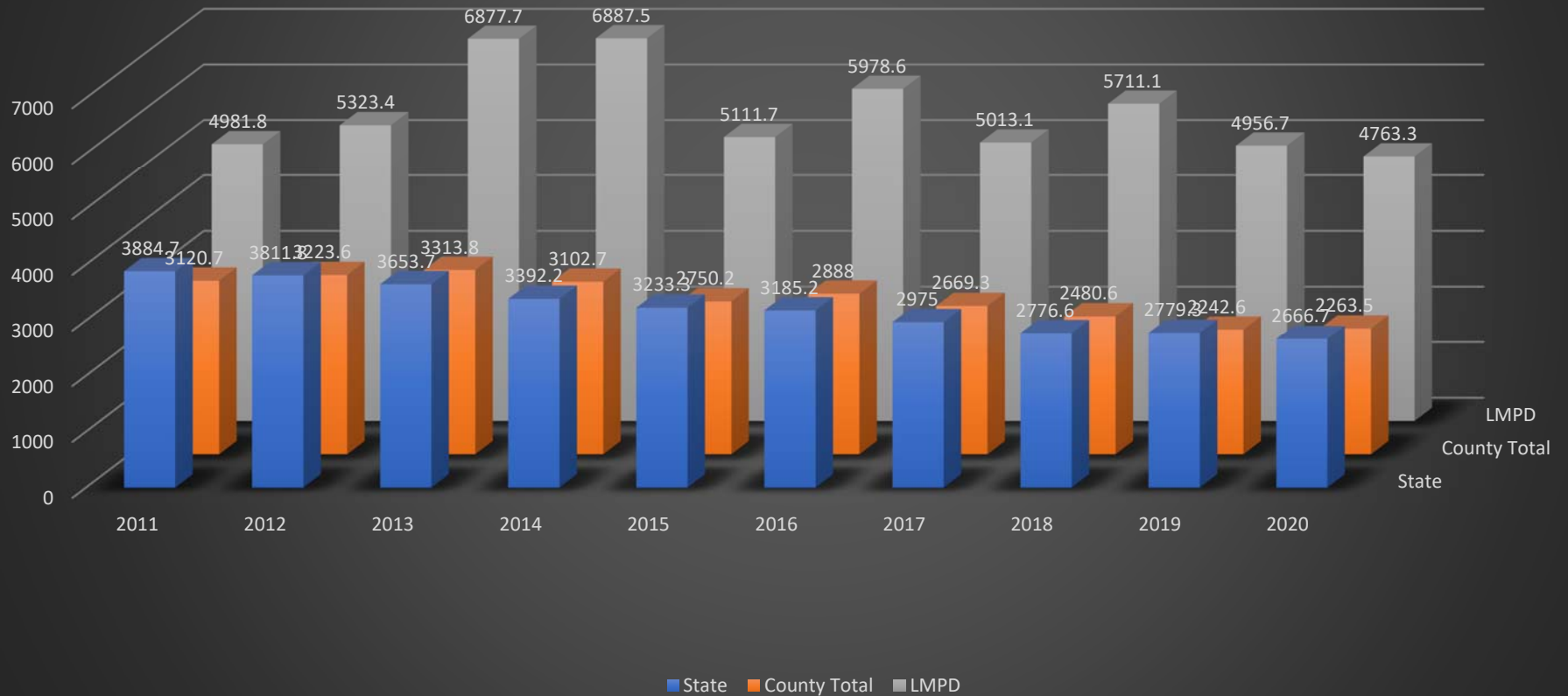
**2021 LA MARQUE POLICE DEPT.
CRIME STATS**



	2017	2018		2019		2020		2021		
	January - December	January - December		January - December		January - December		January - September		
	OFF	OFF	% +/-	OFF	% +/-	OFF	% +/-	Offense 2020	Offense 2021	% +/-
Murder	6	1	-83%	2	100%	2	0%	2	3	50%
Rape	19	6	-68%	10	67%	11	10%	11	13	18%
Robbery	14	24	71%	17	-29%	20	18%	20	8	-60%
Aggravated Assault	51	42	-18%	42	0%	61	45%	61	47	-23%
La Marque Violent Crime Total	90	73	-19%	71	-3%	94	32%	94	71	-24%
Texas Violent Crime Total	123,211	118,653	-4%	120,508	2%	130,034	8%	130,034	*	*
Burglary	112	129	15%	103	-20%	101	-2%	101	80	-21%
Theft	576	729	27%	617	-15%	576	-7%	576	378	-34%
Motor Vehicle Theft	64	46	-28%	56	22%	70	25%	70	54	-23%
La Marque Property Crime Total	752	904	20%	776	-14%	747	-4%	747	512	-31%
Texas Property Crime Total	718,844	678,271	-6%	685,371	1%	652,940	-5%	652,940	*	*
	RATE	RATE	% +/-	RATE	% +/-	RATE	% +/-	RATE		% +/-
La Marque Violent Crime Rate	536	427	-20%	416	-3%	532	28%	511		-4%
Texas Violent Crime Rate	438	413	-6%	422	2%	447	6%	*		*
La Marque Property Crime Rate	4,477	5,284	18%	4,541	-14%	4,231	-7%	4,060		-4%
Texas Property Crime Rate	2,553	2,379	-7%	2,406	1%	2,245	-7%	*		*
Calls For Service	10,709	10,426		10,391		10,170		8,493		
Population Estimate	16,796	17,107		17,088		17,656		18,400		
LMPD/Texas	2.0/1.5	1.9/1.5		1.9/2.0		1.8/2.0		2.1/2.0		
DWI	88	52		55		33		26		
Traffic Citations	3,335	3,082		2,107		875		563		

*Data unavailable

Index Crime Rate (All Part I Crimes)

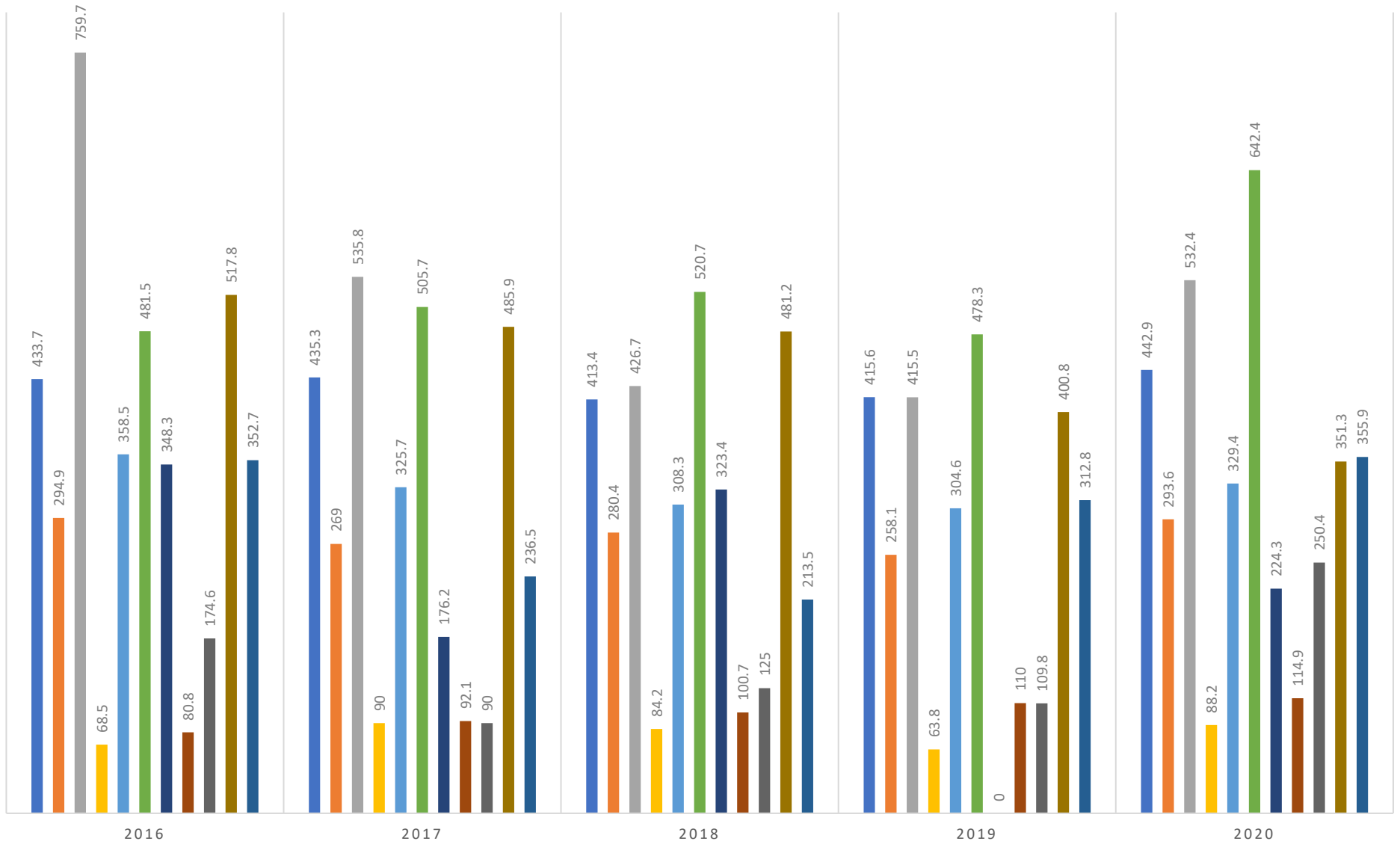


LEGEND:

All Part I Crimes= Murder; Rape; Robbery; Assault; Burglary; Larceny; Auto Theft5

COMPARISONS: VIOLENT CRIME RATES "LA MARQUE SAFE CITY INITIATIVE"

■ STATE ■ COUNTY TOTAL ■ LMPD ■ FWPD ■ GCSO ■ GPD ■ HPD ■ LCPD ■ SFPD ■ TCPD ■ DPD



COMPARISONS: PROPERTY CRIME RATES "LA MARQUE SAFE CITY INITIATIVE"

■ STATE ■ COUNTY TOTAL ■ LMPD ■ FWPD ■ GCSO ■ GPD ■ HPD ■ LCPD ■ SFPD ■ TCPD ■ DPD

