

## **Overview**

Table 1—Crime in the United States, by Volume and Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants, 1988-2007

Table 1A—Crime in the United States, Percent Change in Volume and Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants for 2 years, 5 years, and 10 years

- The estimated number of violent crime offenses in 2007 was more than 1.4 million (1,408,337) offenses, a decrease of 0.7 percent over the 2006 estimate.
- The estimated number of forcible rape offenses decreased 2.5 percent, while all
  other violent crime offense estimates (murder and nonnegligent manslaughter,
  robbery, and aggravated assault) declined slightly in 2007 when compared to the
  2006 estimates.
- The rate for violent crime based on the estimated number of offenses was 466.9 per 100,000 inhabitants in 2007, a decrease of 1.4 percent when compared with 2006 data.
- Violent crime rates in all offense categories declined in 2007 when compared to 2006 rates.
- The rate for murder was 5.6 offenses per 100,000 inhabitants in 2007, a 1.3 percent decrease when compared with the rate for 2006.
- The estimated number of property crimes in 2007 was nearly 10 million (9,843,481) offenses, a 1.4-percent decrease from the 2006 estimate.
- The estimated number of motor vehicle theft offenses decreased 8.1 percent, while the two remaining property crime offenses (burglary and larceny-theft) declined slightly in 2007 when compared with the 2006 estimates.
- The property crime rate for 2007 (3,263.5 offenses per 100,000 inhabitants) was down 2.1 percent when compared with 2006 data.