

## **INFORMATION REPORT**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The maps showing the neighbourhoods of Courtenay in this report were provided by the City of Courtenay. This analysis shows the numbers of property crime files linked to these neighbourhoods, but also refers to the total number of property crime files in Courtenay that includes files outside of these neighbourhoods.

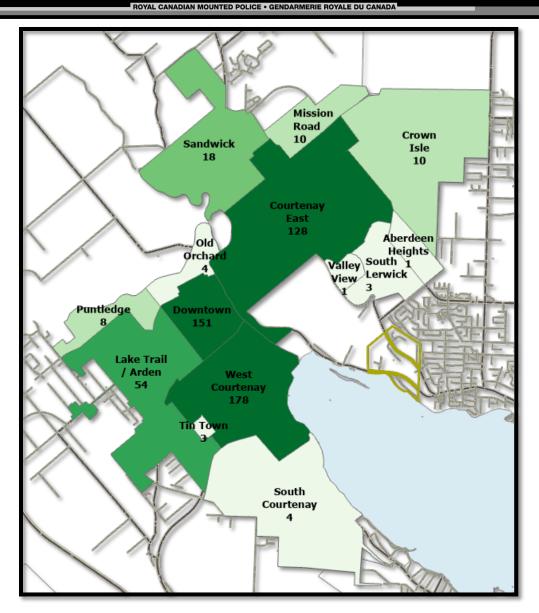
A comparison of the property crime files distributed across neighbourhoods in Courtenay indicated that there were 6 files more in the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year than in the fourth quarter of the of the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Between the 2021-2022 fiscal year and the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, there was approximately a 1 percent (4 file) increase in the total number of property crime files in Courtenay.

The types of property crime files that increased the most in Courtenay between the fourth quarter of the 2021-2022 fiscal year and the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year were residential break and enters and mischief files. However, only 3 of the residential break and enters reported in the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year were incidents in which an unknown person broke into a home and stole items. Approximately 48 percent of mischief files reported in Courtenay in the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year occurred in the Downtown area.

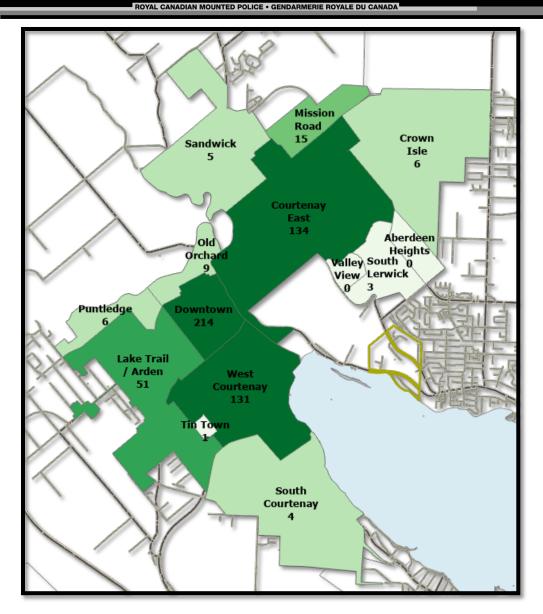
## PROPERTY CRIME FILES BY AREA OF COURTENAY JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2022

In the fourth quarter of the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the areas of Courtenay with the highest number of property crime files were West Courtenay, Downtown, and East Courtenay. The overall number of property crime files distributed across neighbourhoods in Courtenay during this quarter was 573.



## PROPERTY CRIME FILES BY AREA OF COURTENAY JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2023

In the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the areas of Courtenay with the highest number of property crime files were the same as in the fourth quarter of the previous fiscal year. The overall number of property crime files distributed across neighbourhoods in Courtenay during this quarter was 579, which was 6 files more than in the fourth quarter of the of the 2021-2022 fiscal year.



PROPERTY CRIME FILES BY TYPE

4TH QUARTER OF 2021-2022 VS 4TH QUARTER OF 2022-2023

4th Quarter						
File Type	2022	2023	File Difference	Percent Change		
Mischief to Property	238	259	21	8.8		
Shoplifting	85	75	-10	-11.8		
Other Theft U/5000	68	60	-8	-11.8		
Theft From Vehicle	74	51	-23	-31.1		
Frauds	63	56	-7	-11.1		
Auto Theft	20	23	3	15.0		
Break & Enter - Business	24	19	-5	-20.8		
Bike Theft	14	18	4	28.6		

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Mischief – Cause by Act/Omission	3	20	17	566.7		
Break & Enter - Residence	3	16	13	433.3		
Break & Enter - Other	5	8	3	60.0		
Theft From Mail	6	6	0	0.0		
Other Theft O/5000	6	1	-5	-83.3		
Theft Utilities	2	3	1	50.0		
Possess Stolen Property	2	3	1	50.0		
Arson	2	1	-1	-50.0		
Grand Total	615	619	4	0.7		

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The total numbers of property crime files linked to Courtenay in the fourth quarters of 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 are larger than the number of files associated to the areas on the map of Courtenay neighbourhoods because they include files that occurred in Courtenay, but outside the areas on the map.

The total difference between the number of property crime files in Courtenay in the fourth quarter of the 2021-2022 fiscal year and the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year was 4 files or an approximate 1 percent increase.

The types of property crime files that increased the most between the fourth quarter of the 2021-2022 fiscal year and the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year were residential break and enters and mischief files. Of the 16 residential break and enters reported in the fourth quarter of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, only 3 were incidents in which an unknown person broke into a home and stole items. Six of the break and enters involved suspects who were known to the complainants. Of the 272 mischief files that mapped to neighbourhoods of Courtenay, approximately 48 percent of them occurred in the Downtown area.

MISCHIEF FILES BY AREA OF COURTENAY JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2023

