

Campus Safety



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How much crime is reported on
UVU's campus?



Literature Reviews

Study 1: Victimization and crime. They tried to identify other variables on and off college campuses that were causing crime. They found surrounding campus location had little effect on crime but dormitory size was a better indicator.

Study 2: Focused on crimes reported on college campuses and compared different colleges. They found a problem with the numbers changing every year and there was no uniformity across the campuses.

Study 3: Social experiment. They put up a sign on the bike rack on campus letting the criminals know they were being watched and found the results to be positive. Crime was not removed from campus but it was moved from the bike racks to other areas.



Literature Reviews

Study 4: Campus victimization. Hypothesized that universities are highly attractive locations for crime. They found that violent crimes were not common on campus but property crimes showed a high occurrence.

Study 5: Misuse of prescription stimulants. They had students report how often they misused prescription drugs throughout college. There was a higher level in freshmen and sophomores and students said they used these drugs to get high, stay awake, or prolong the effects of other drugs in their system.

The Survey

Sample Size: 500 students

Responses: 60 students

Confidence Interval: 95% \pm 5

Response Rate: 12%

How we sought to increase our response rate: We sent 2 follow up emails to each of the 500 students. The emails were sent a week apart. The survey length was also limited to increase number of responses.



Demographics

Of 60 Respondents: (some number mistakes)

- 51 full-time Students ----- 8 part-time students
- Aged between 18 ----- and 56 years old
- 27 Male ----- 23 Female ----- 1 other
- 38 White ----- 9 Latino ----- 1 Asian ----- 2 Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander





Unanticipated Problems

The population didn't understand the complete definition of being a victim of crime, could have defined "victim"

Should have made forced response



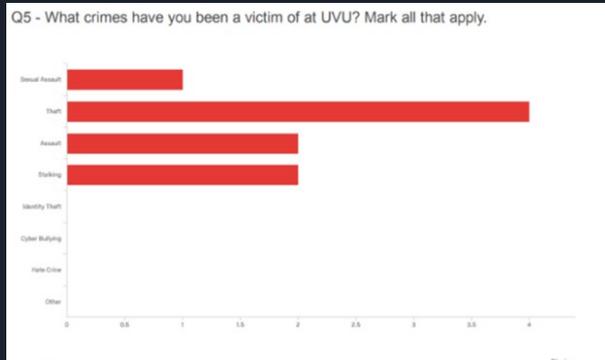
Victims of Crime

Utah Valley Uniform Crime Report 2015

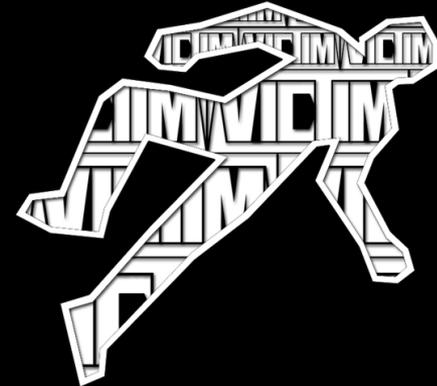
- 3 out of 48 people claimed to be victims of crime at UVU
- This is much higher than what is reported to the UCR. The problem is that many crimes go unreported and we found that larceny is much higher than is actually reported
- We compared the data we collected to the UCR

2015	Crime In Utah Report										Index Crimes By Agency	
	Agency	Population	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson	Crime Index Totals	Crime Rate per 1000
	OREM DPS	94,457	1	8	14	17	196	1,784	123	2	2,145	22.71
	PAYSON PD	19,548	0	4	2	5	50	308	16	1	386	19.75
	PLEASANT GROVE PD	38,052	0	4	3	9	39	224	15	0	294	7.73
	PROVO PD	115,264	0	45	16	77	234	1,972	138	2	2,484	21.55
	SPANISH FORK PD	37,935	0	1	2	9	53	353	19	1	438	11.55
	SPRINGVILLE PD	32,286	0	11	5	21	68	438	14	0	557	17.25
	LONE PEAK PD	28,224	0	7	0	1	46	124	13	0	191	6.77
	SALEM PD	8,957	0	1	0	3	8	86	0	0	78	8.71
	SANTAQUIN PD	11,991	0	0	0	2	19	86	13	0	120	10.01
	BYU PD	0	0	1	0	0	9	141	4	0	155	0.00
	LONDON PD	10,810	0	1	0	4	30	202	13	0	250	23.13
	MAPLETON PD	9,232	0	0	0	0	17	85	1	0	103	11.16
	UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY PD	0	0	0	1	0	5	69	2	0	77	0.00
	UTAH COUNTY MAJOR CRIMES TASK	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	0.00
	UTAH COUNTY ATTY - INVESTIGATI	0	See Arrest Data								0	0.00
	SARATOGA SPRINGS PD	25,407	0	4	0	10	27	170	6	5	222	8.74
	UTAH COUNTY TOTALS	575,205	3	135	46	220	1,059	7,368	489	13	9,333	16.23

Victimization Type



- There were 9 accounts of victimization that occurred on campus. Which means that there was multiple accounts of victimization on only 3 people!
- Theft was the most common crime with that of 4 accounts of theft followed by 2 accounts of stalking, 2 accounts of assault and 1 sexual assault.
- 8% chance of being a victim of theft less than 0% according to the UCR



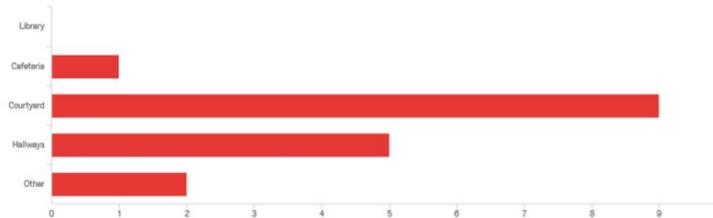
The Findings of Public Perception of Crime at UVU



- 82.69% of the respondents feel either extremely safe or somewhat safe at UVU with only 4% feeling unsafe or extremely unsafe
- 54.9% are either somewhat and extremely uncomfortable leaving belongings unattended.
- 71% of the respondents felt that the parking lot was the most unsafe area on campus followed by 17% saying the locker room. If I did this study again I would ask where crime took place from those who experienced it. 8% of the people we surveyed have experienced car break ins at UVU!
- This is important because people feel safe at campus less so when they leave their items unattended. Considering the sample data surveyed it is very unsafe to leave items unattended at UVU

Drugs on Campus

Q11 - Where on campus have you seen people doing drugs? Select all that apply.



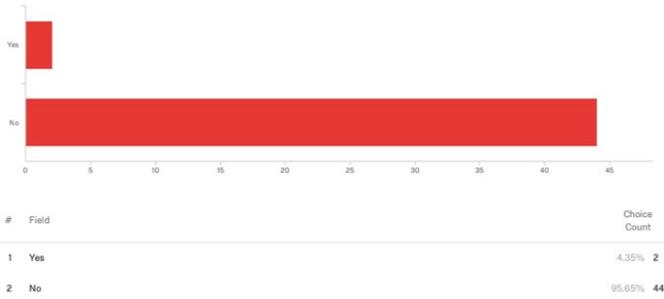
#	Field	Choice Count
1	Library	0.00% 0
2	Cafeteria	5.88% 1
3	Courtyard	52.94% 9
4	Hallways	29.41% 5
5	Other	11.76% 2

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After looking at the survey results regarding drugs on campus we have found that UVU does experience drug use. We found that 22% of students have seen people doing drugs here on campus. The area reported to have the most drug use was the courtyard followed by the hallways. The other two areas that reported having drug use were the parking lot and cafeteria.

Drugs on Campus

Q13 - While at UVU have you ever found drugs while on campus?



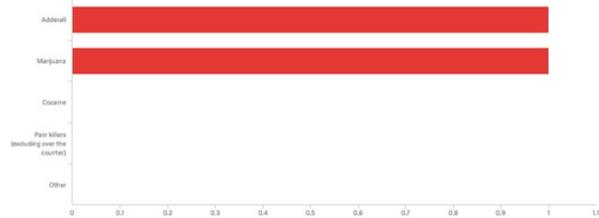
Q16 - Have you ever been offered drugs at UVU?



In our survey we asked students if they had ever found drugs while on campus or if they have ever been offered drugs here at UVU. Two students who took the survey said that they had found drugs on campus. One student found the drugs in the bathroom while the other found them in the hallway. Three students said that they had been offered drugs on campus. The students who got offered drugs were offered drugs in the courtyard.

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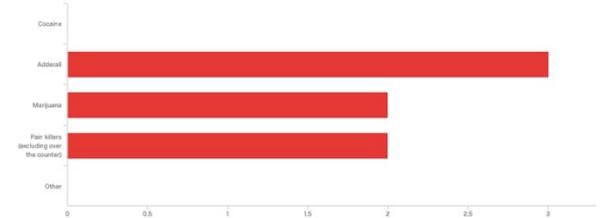
Q15 - What drugs did you find while on campus? Mark all that apply.



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Adderall	50.00% 1
2	Marijuana	50.00% 1
3	Cocaine	0.00% 0
4	Pain killers (excluding over the counter)	0.00% 0
5	Other	0.00% 0

The survey also allowed us to opportunity to find the common drugs found here on campus. The drugs that were found here on campus were adderall and marijuana. The drugs that were offered to students were painkillers, adderall, and marijuana. Adderall being the most common drug being offered.

Q18 - What type of drugs have been offered to you? Mark all that apply.



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Cocaine	0.00% 0
2	Adderall	42.86% 3
3	Marijuana	28.57% 2
4	Pain killers (excluding over the counter)	28.57% 2
5	Other	0.00% 0



Theft at UVU Campus

- 70% of students believe there is between 1 to 50 accounts of cases of victimization per semester. Which compared to UCR data would make sense for a calendar year, but not compared to the data we collected.
- 27 people claimed to know people that have experienced theft on campus!
- *When asked if they were a victim of theft more people identified as being a victim of theft than just a generic victim 12.5% or 6 people in our survey. 90% only experienced theft once*
- Most common victims of theft are Freshmen making up 50% of the theft victims. Electronics are the most commonly stolen property.
- Personal information was stolen on one account. Yet no one claimed to be a victim of identity theft.
- The property that was stolen was tied for first in the parking lot and main halls. Making up over 50%. Moreover most victims surveyed believe it happened in the afternoon. Theft takes place in plain view when students are on campus.



Resolution of Theft on Campus

- 80% did not report theft on campus.
- Campus police were not used in any of these surveyed theft recovery cases. 60% had no help at all
- No one felt that UVU was responsible for theft
- When asked Which of these options do you think would be the most effective in reducing crime on campus? Increased Student Awareness 30.00% Greater Police Presence 18.00% All of the Above 40.00% which included more security cameras and other category which includes more firearms presence on campus.

Effects of Being a Victim

- 60% of the responses felt they were emotionally and/or mentally affected. Only 20% felt they were unaffected and 20% focused on being monetarily affected.
- 67% felt they were somewhat affected by theft, whereas only 33% said they were not at all affected.





Conclusion

- Statistically crime is higher on UVU campus then reported via the UCR
- 2015 UCR reported 69 theft cases for 34,000 students. We found 4 cases within our 48 respondents
- While the UCR does not have data on drug related crime, we found there to be a moderate amount of drug related activity
- These statistics can change from year to year however, our findings show that there are significant amounts of crime going unreported at UVU