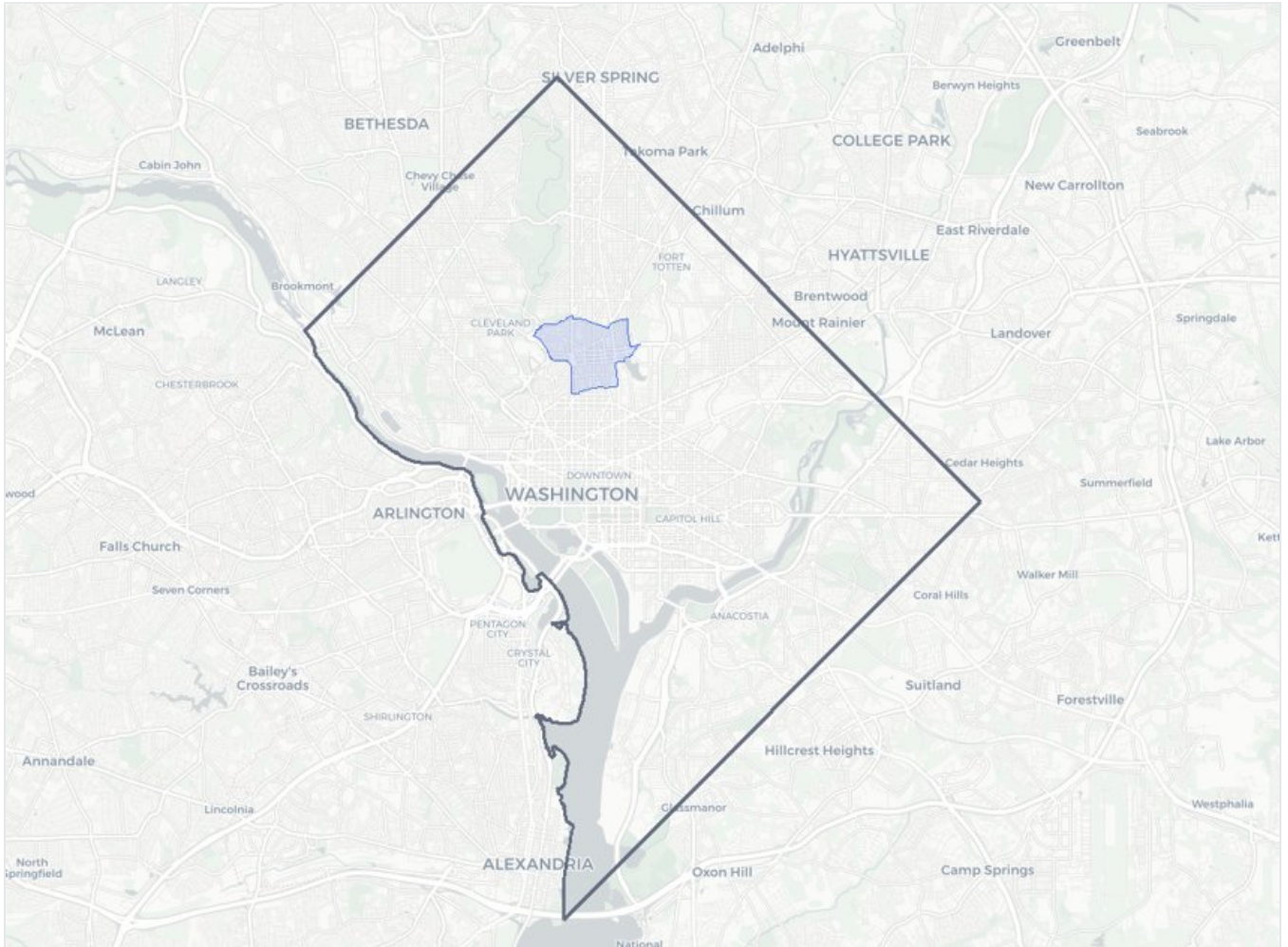


# Monthly Crime Brief

## Columbia Heights — May 2026



<b>BRIEF MONTH</b>	May 2026
<b>COVERAGE AREA</b>	Columbia Heights / Mt. Pleasant / Pleasant Plains / Park View, Washington, DC
<b>COMPARISONS</b>	April 2026 and May 2025
<b>SOURCE</b>	DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)
<b>PREPARED BY</b>	Justice Lens · <a href="http://justicelensai.com">justicelensai.com</a>

# Executive Summary

## AT A GLANCE — MAY 2026

INCIDENTS

**145**

VS PRIOR MONTH

**+20%**

VS MAY 2025

**+11%**

RISK SCORE

**64**/<sub>100</sub>

### Quick Facts

- 145 incidents were reported in Columbia Heights in May 2026.
- Theft (Other) was the most common offense (88 incidents, 61% of the month's total).
- Total incidents were up 20% versus April 2026 and up 11% versus May 2025.
- The biggest month-over-month change was Theft (Other), which rose from 63 to 88.
- This May was 10% below the 5-year historical average for the month (~161 incidents).

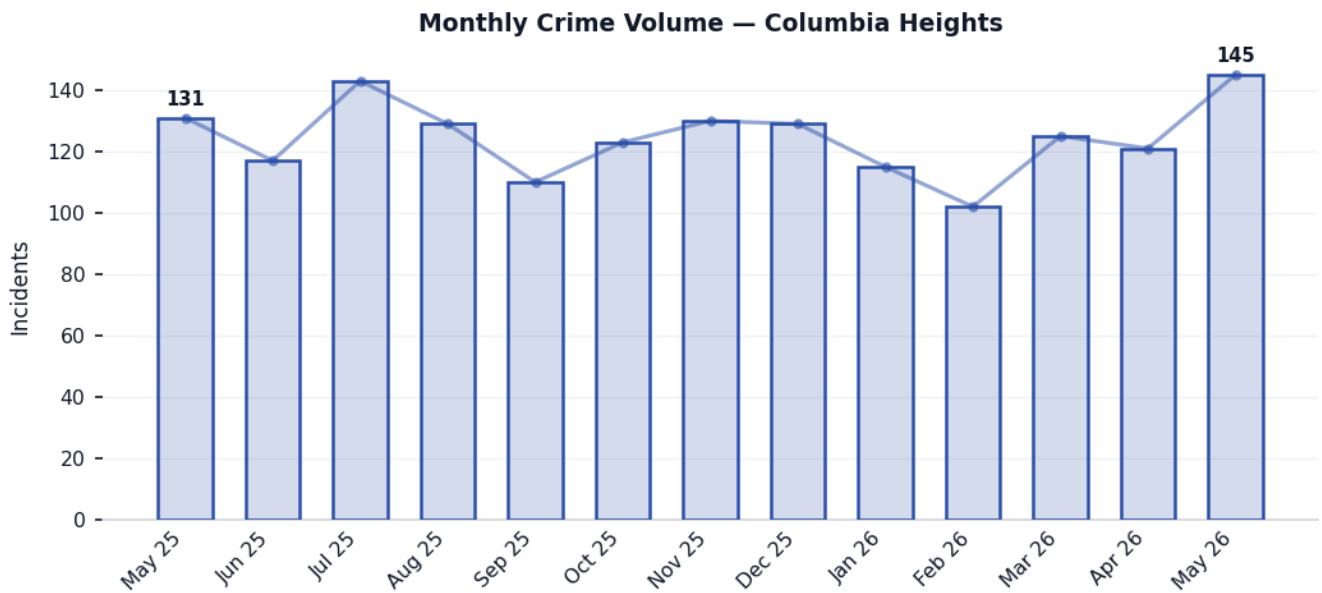
### Reported Incidents by Offense — May 2026

OFFENSE	INCIDENTS	SHARE
Theft (Other)	88	61%
Theft from Auto	25	17%
Robbery	12	8%
Assault w/ Dangerous Weapon	8	6%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	6%
Burglary	3	2%
Sex Abuse	1	1%

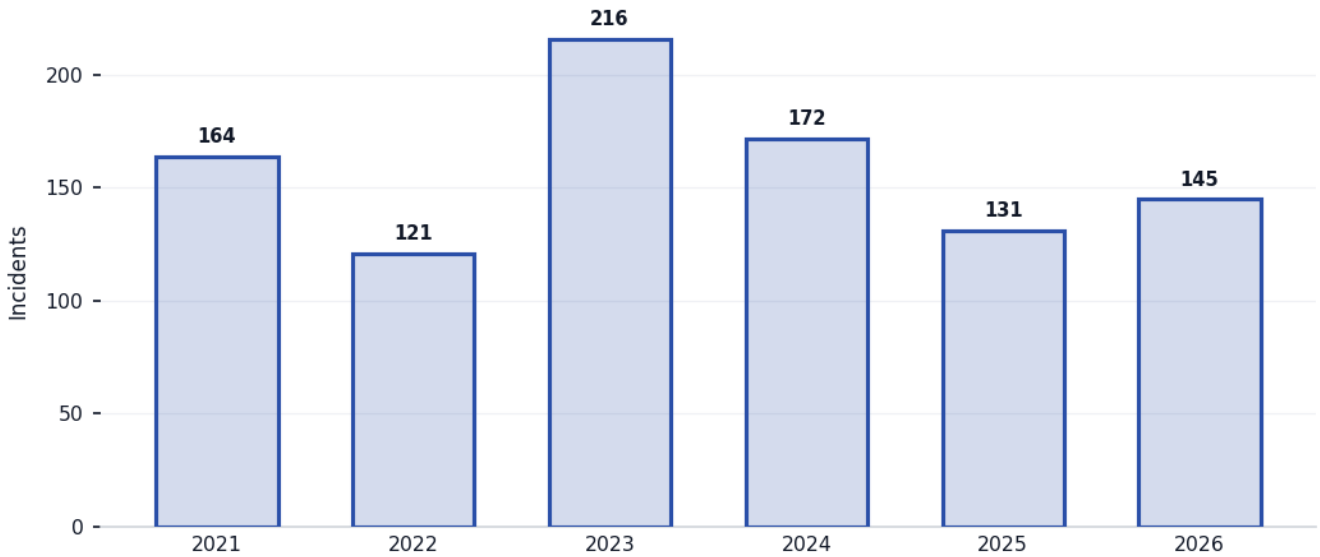
# Historical Comparison

Reported incidents in Columbia Heights for May 2026, compared with the prior month (April 2026) and the same month one year earlier (May 2025). Month-over-month moves are normal; the year-over-year and multi-year views below give the seasonal context.

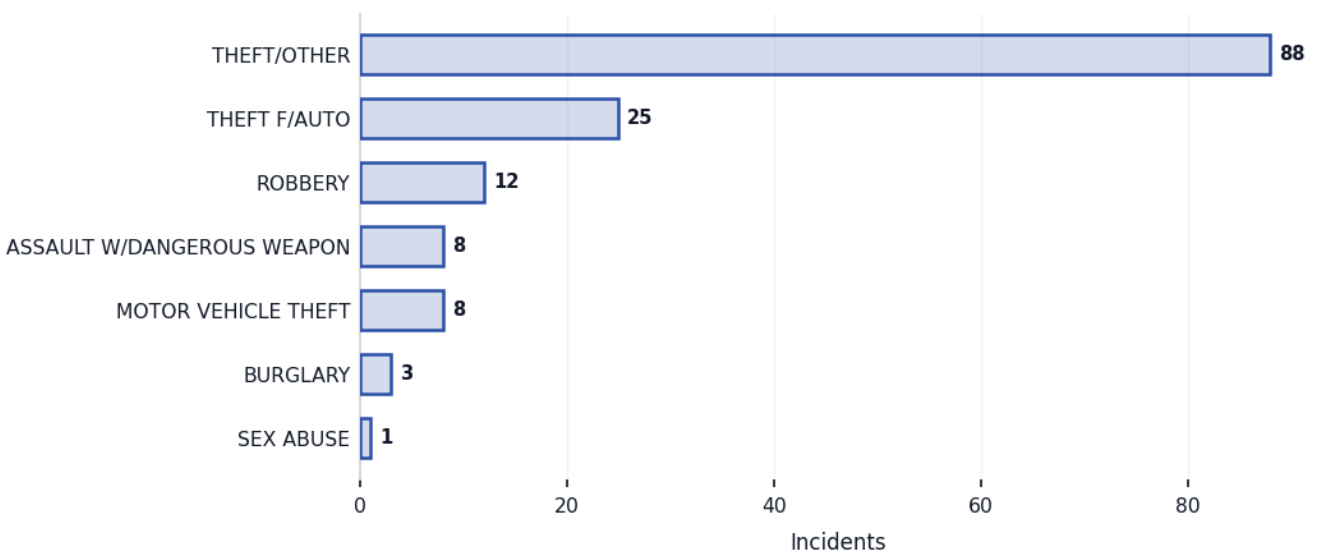
OFFENSE	MAY 2026	APRIL 2026	MOM	MAY 2025	YOY
Theft (Other)	88	63	+40%	59	+49%
Theft from Auto	25	20	+25%	31	-19%
Robbery	12	9	+33%	16	-25%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	10	-20%	15	-47%
Assault w/ Dangerous Weapon	8	10	-20%	8	0%
Burglary	3	6	-50%	1	+200%
Sex Abuse	1	1	0%	0	—
Homicide	0	2	-100%	1	-100%
<b>All offenses</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>+20%</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>+11%</b>



### May Incidents by Year — Columbia Heights



### Offense Breakdown — Columbia Heights



## Data Sources & References

SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	URL
DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)	Unified Crime Reporting data — all incident records used in this brief	<a href="https://opendata.dc.gov">opendata.dc.gov</a>
DC Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO)	DC Open Data portal hosting MPD crime data, ward and neighborhood cluster boundaries	<a href="https://opendata.dc.gov">opendata.dc.gov</a>
Justice Lens	DC crime intelligence platform — live map, rankings, and address-level reports	<a href="https://justicelensai.com">justicelensai.com</a>

### Methodology Notes

- Based on reported MPD incidents, which agencies may later revise.
- Risk Score = relative percentile (0 = lowest risk locally, 100 = highest); it drives the safer-than figures.
- Incident Intensity is kept as a detail metric for incident-rate context.
- Address scores reflect nearby reported incidents, not the exact property.
- Trend = last 12 months vs the prior 12 (latest weeks excluded as still-reporting); too few prior incidents shows "Insufficient data."
- Expected-vs-actual compares current activity with same-month historical expectations.
- Residential rankings group residential and mixed-use areas; parks, federal, and institutional land rank separately.
- Crime data may be revised by source agencies.

Incident counts reflect reported crimes and are subject to revision by source agencies. Recent weeks may still be under-reported due to MPD processing lag. Calendar-month windows are computed in UTC. This brief describes historical reported activity — it is not a prediction of future safety.

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