



# Major Metropolitan Areas Ranking for Identity Theft – Related Complaints

January 1 – December 31, 2003

Rank	Metropolitan Area	No. of Victims	Victims Per 100,000 Population
1	Phoenix--Mesa, AZ (MSA)	5,041	155.0
2	Los Angeles--Long Beach, CA (PMSA)	13,012	136.7
3	Riverside--San Bernardino, CA (PMSA)	4,381	134.6
4	Miami, FL (PMSA)	2,871	127.4
5	Houston, TX (PMSA)	5,243	125.5
6	Oakland, CA (PMSA)	3,002	125.5
7	Dallas, TX (PMSA)	4,152	118.0
8	Orange County, CA (PMSA)	3,320	116.6
9	New York, NY (PMSA)	10,641	114.2
10	San Diego, CA (MSA)	2,978	105.8
11	Atlanta, GA (MSA)	4,183	101.7
12	Washington, DC--MD--VA--WV (PMSA)	4,936	100.3
13	Denver, CO (PMSA)	2,041	96.8
14	Chicago, IL (PMSA)	7,946	96.1
15	Seattle--Bellevue--Everett, WA (PMSA)	2,186	90.5
16	Detroit, MI (PMSA)	3,963	89.2
17	Newark, NJ (PMSA)	1,719	84.6
18	Philadelphia, PA--NJ (PMSA)	4,168	81.7
19	Tampa--St. Petersburg--Clearwater, FL (MSA)	1,845	77.0
20	Nassau--Suffolk, NY (PMSA)	2,066	75.0
21	St. Louis, MO--IL (MSA)	1,944	74.7
22	Baltimore, MD (PMSA)	1,816	71.1
23	Minneapolis--St. Paul, MN--WI (MSA)	2,019	68.0
24	Cleveland--Lorain--Elyria, OH (PMSA)	1,459	64.8
25	Boston, MA--NH (PMSA)	2,114	62.1
26	Pittsburgh, PA (MSA)	926	39.3

Note: Ranking is based on the number of identity theft complaints per 100,000 inhabitants for each metropolitan area. These charts only illustrate Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas (PMSA) and Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) with a population of two million or more. Metropolitan areas presented here are those defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as of 1999 (see <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/inforeg/msa99.pdf>). Per 100,000 unit of population counts are based on the 2000 U.S. Census population count (Census 2000 Summary File 1 (SF 1) 100-Percent Data, April 1, 2000).