

Pittsfield Police Department CityStat

April 2015

Produced by the Crime Analysis Unit



Part I Total Crime

An increase in total Part I Crimes is expected from March to April. The average increase for total Part I Crimes from March to April each year in Pittsfield is about **10%**. This year, however, we have had a **29%** increase in Part I Crimes.

Violent Crime rates only increased by one incident this month compared to last. On average, though, in Pittsfield, Violent Crime rates tend to drop by about three cases from March to April. While our Violent Crime numbers are still down from where they were when they shot up in 2014, they are still considerably higher than average.

Property Crime rates, on average, increase **15%** from March to April, so we had a more drastic rise this month than expected.

4 Weeks

Year to Date

5 Year

	<u>4 Weeks</u>			<u>Year to Date</u>			<u>5 Year</u>	
	Mar-2015	Apr-2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change	Average	% Change
Total Violent Crime	17	18	6%	30	61	103%	14	29%
Total Property Crime	78	105	35%	416	309	-26%	102	3%
Total Part I Crime	95	123	29%	446	370	-17%	115	7%

Part I Property Crime

This month there was a **125%** increase in Burglaries. At face value, this seems a bit disheartening, it can be attributed to the abnormally low number of burglaries for the month of March. In actuality, the burglary rate this month is to be expected, according the five-year average, and is **18%** lower than April 2014's burglary rate.

Each individual Property Crime this month had rates very close to what would be expected based on the five-year average.

	4 Week			Year to Date			5 Year	
	Mar-2015	Apr-2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change	Average	% Change
Burglary (B&E)	16	36	125%	110	86	-22%	36	0%
Larceny (Total)	59	64	8%	290	212	-27%	61	5%
Larceny from Building	9	5	-44%	49	36	-27%	11	-55%
Larceny from Motor Vehicle	3	8	167%	39	18	-54%	7	14%
Larceny from Person	3	2	-33%	5	10	100%	2	0%
Shoplifting	20	18	-10%	69	63	-9%	13	38%
Larceny Misc.	24	31	29%	128	85	-34%	29	7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	5	67%	16	11	-31%	5	0%
Total Property Crime	78	105	35%	416	309	-26%	102	3%

Part I Violent Crime

The trend of high Aggravated Assault rates continues this month. By April last year, there had only been 7 Aggravated Assaults for the entire year, but by the end of this month, we have already had 48 Aggravated Assault incidents in 2015. The first few months in 2014 admittedly had unusually low Violent Crime rates, but our 14 Aggravated Assault cases put us **75%** higher than even the average for the same crime.

So far this year, we are at approximately twice the total number of Violent Crimes than we were last year. Aggravated Assaults are the culprit for the high overall total, but that disparity has been prevented from becoming even higher due to the low number of other types of violent incidents. There have been **33%** fewer rape cases this year compared to last, and **50%** fewer robberies.

	4 Week			Year to Date			5 Year	
	Mar-2015	Apr-2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change	Average	% Change
Homicide	0	0	IN CALC	0	0	IN CALC	0	IN CALC
Rape	3	0	-100%	9	6	-33%	3	-100%
Robbery	1	4	300%	14	7	-50%	2	100%
Aggravated Assault	13	14	8%	7	48	586%	8	75%
Arson	0	0	IN CALC	0	0	IN CALC	1	-100%
Total Violent Crime	17	18	6%	30	61	103%	14	29%

A Closer Look: Part I Property Crime

Stat Recap:

Since Last Month:

↑ 35%

Compared to 2014
Year-to-Date:

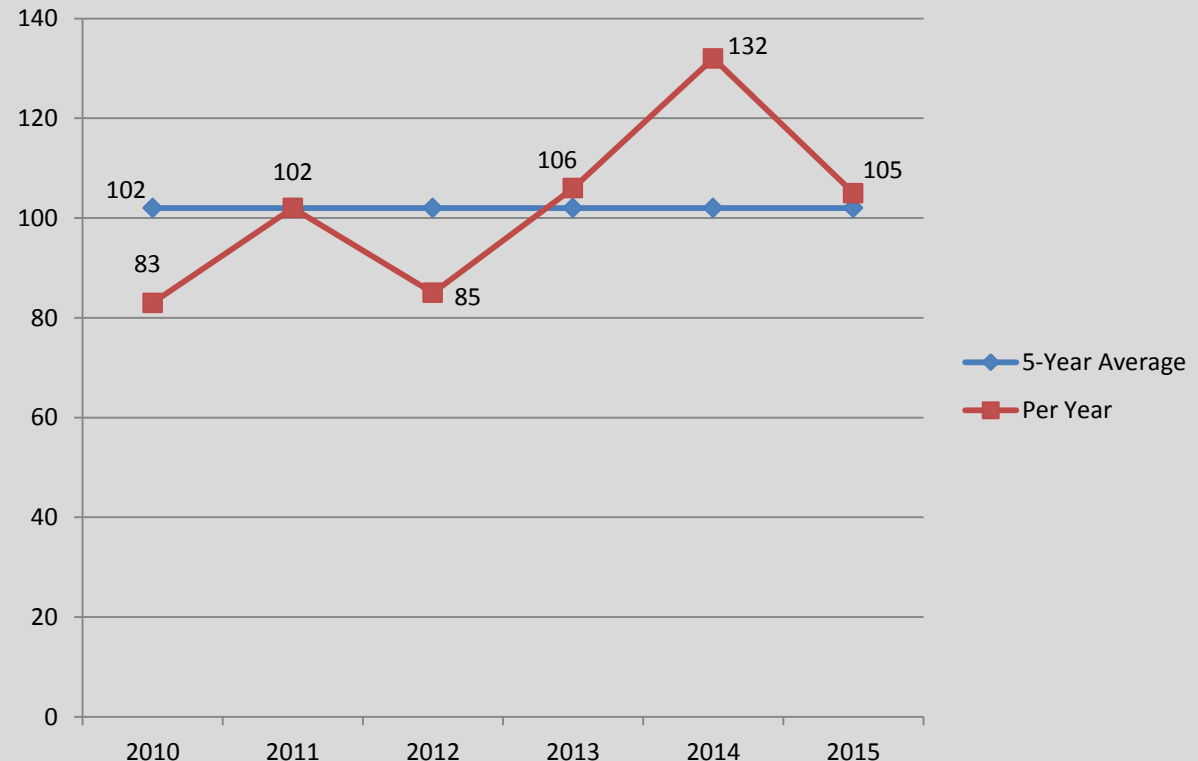
↓ 26%

Compared to 5 Year Avg:

↑ 3%

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PROPERTY CRIME



A Closer Look: Part I Violent Crime

Stat Recap:

Since Last Month:

↑ 6%

Compared to 2014
Year-To-Date:

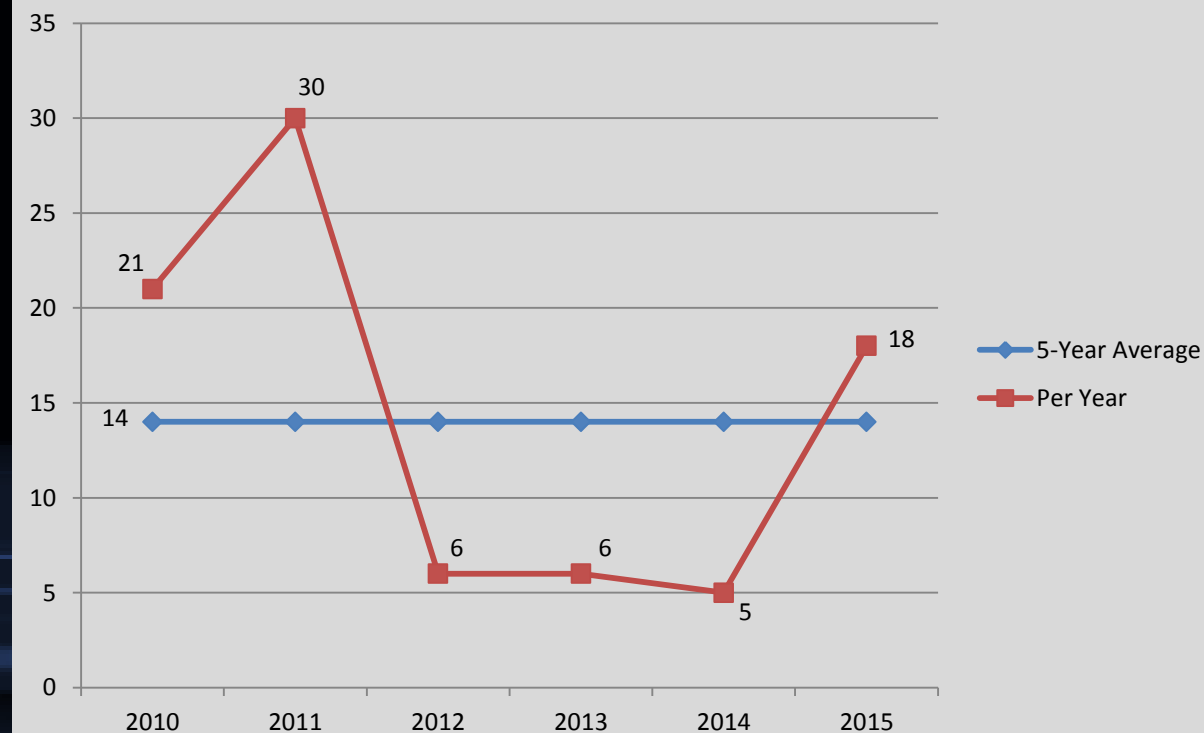
↑ 103%

Compared to 5 Year Avg:

↑ 29%

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VIOLENT CRIME



A Closer Look: Burglary

Stat Recap:

Since Last Month:

↑ 125%

Compared to 2014
Year-To-Date:

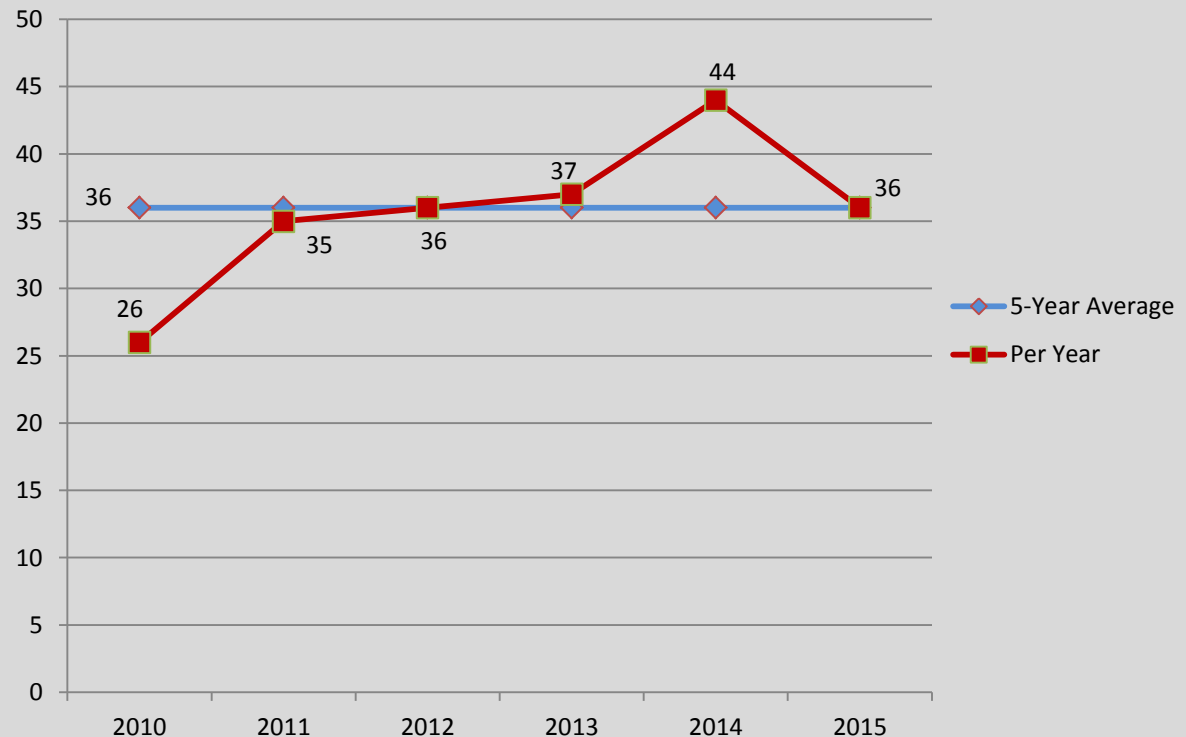
↓ 22%

Compared to 5 Year Avg:

0% Change

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BURGLARY



A Closer Look: Larceny

Stat Recap:

Since Last Month:

↑ 8%

Compared to 2014
Year-To-Date:

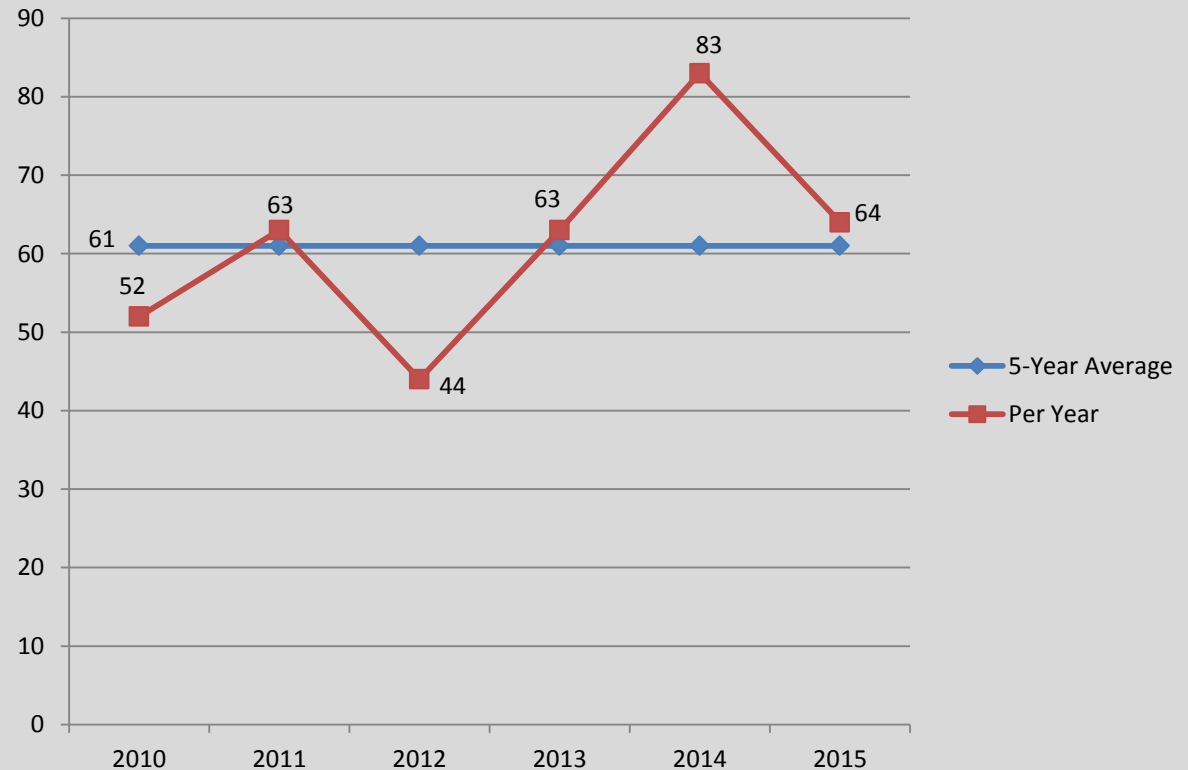
↓ 27%

Compared to 5 Year Avg:

↑ 5%

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LARCENY



A Closer Look: AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Stat Recap:

Since Last Month:

↑ 8%

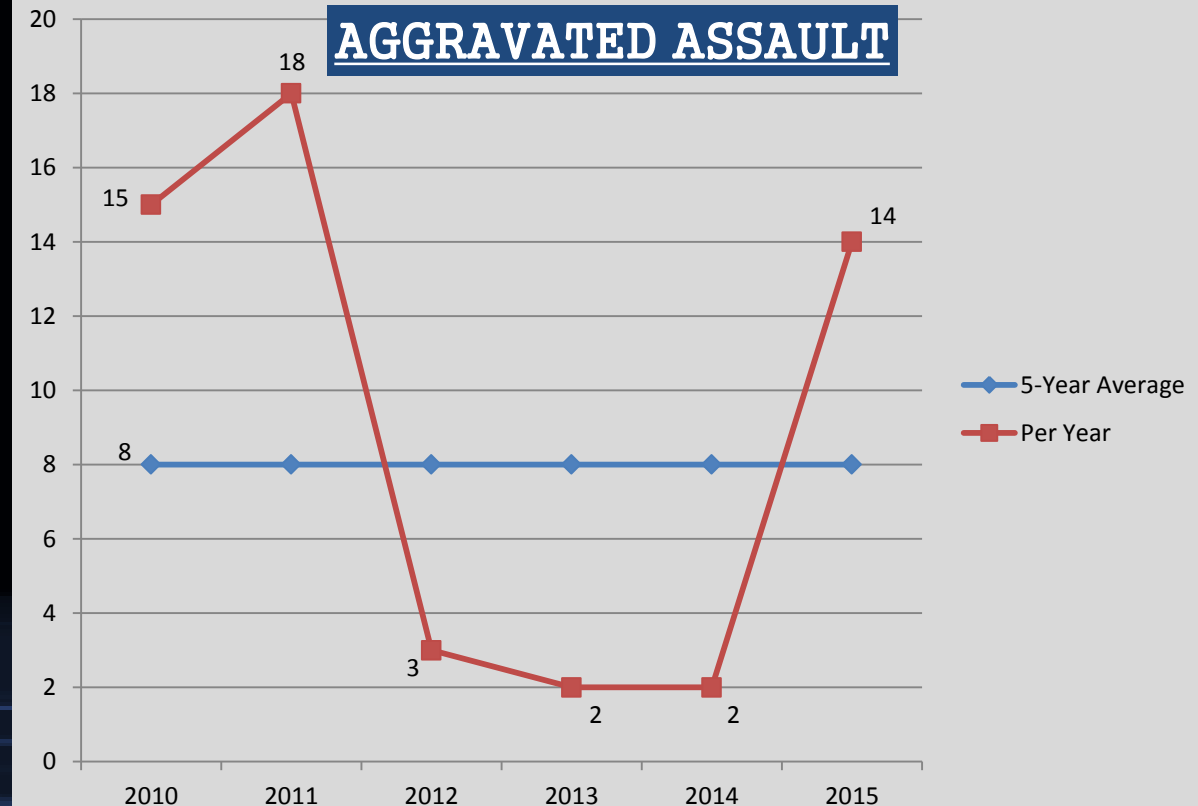
Compared to 2014
Year-To-Date:

↑ 586%

Compared to 5 Year Avg:

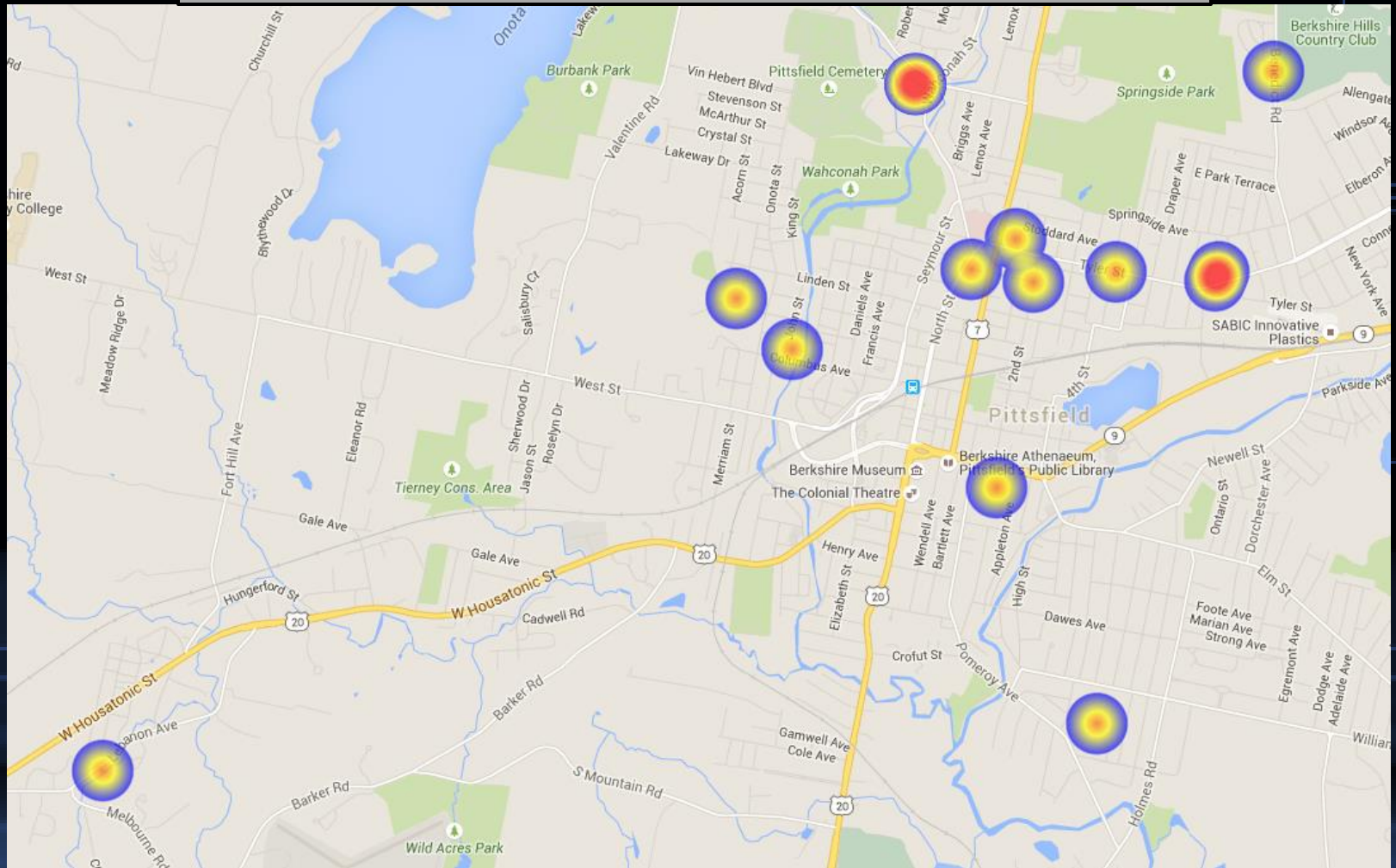
↑ 75%

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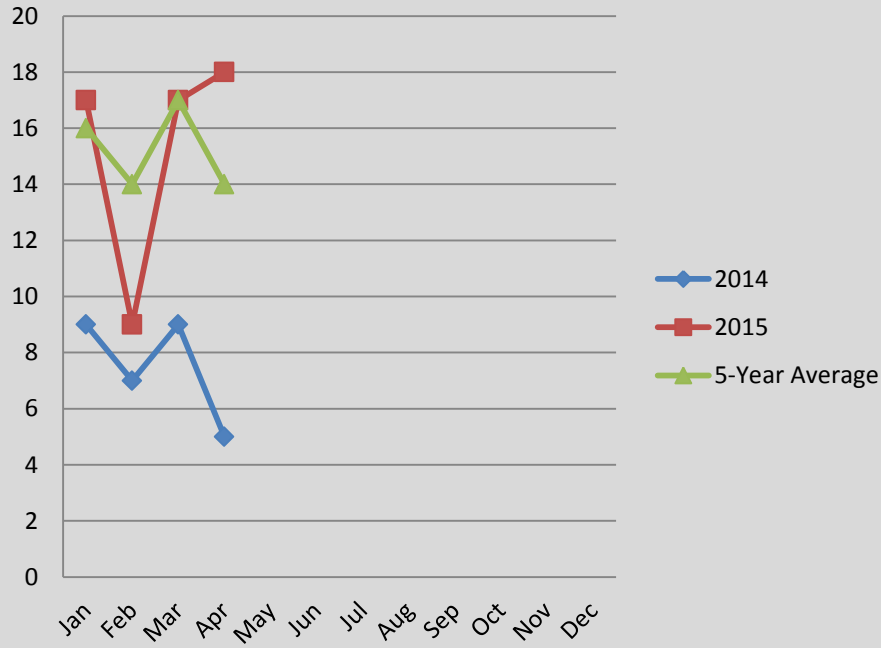
A Closer Look: AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Aggravated Assaults – April 2015 Heat Map

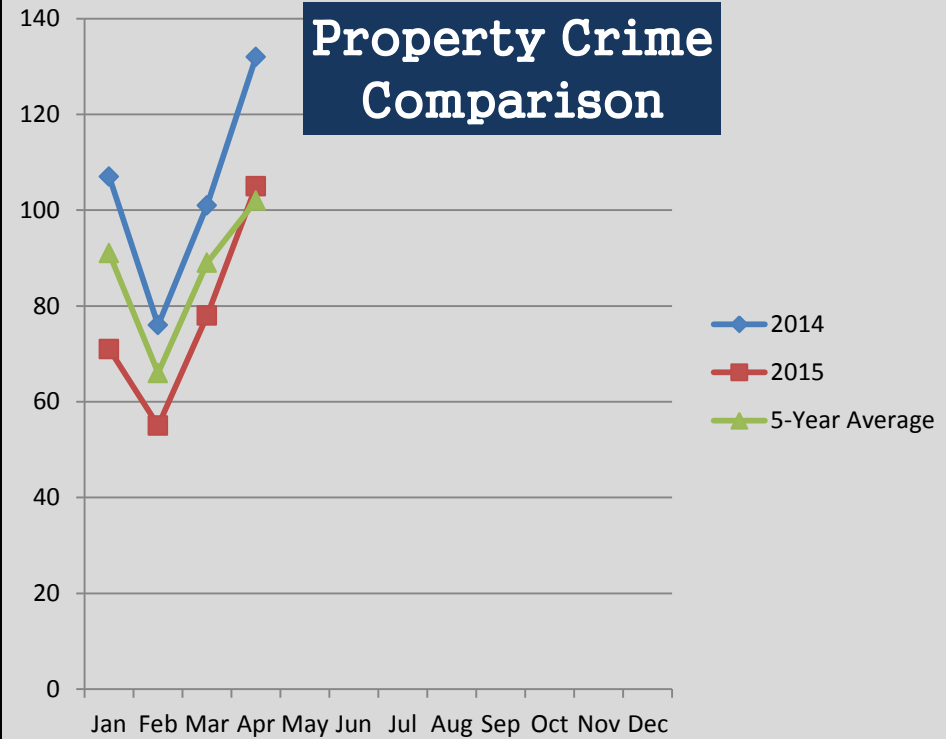


A Closer Look: CHANGING CRIME TRENDS

Violent Crime Comparison



Property Crime Comparison



The charts above help visualize the changing crime trends that we are seeing in Pittsfield. Property Crime rate trends are consistent with previous years, but, so far, are mostly lower-than-average. Violent Crime rate trends were also following a semi-normal pattern of rises and falls until this month. This month we had one more Violent Crime than last month, but, on average, the rate tends to drop by three from March to April.