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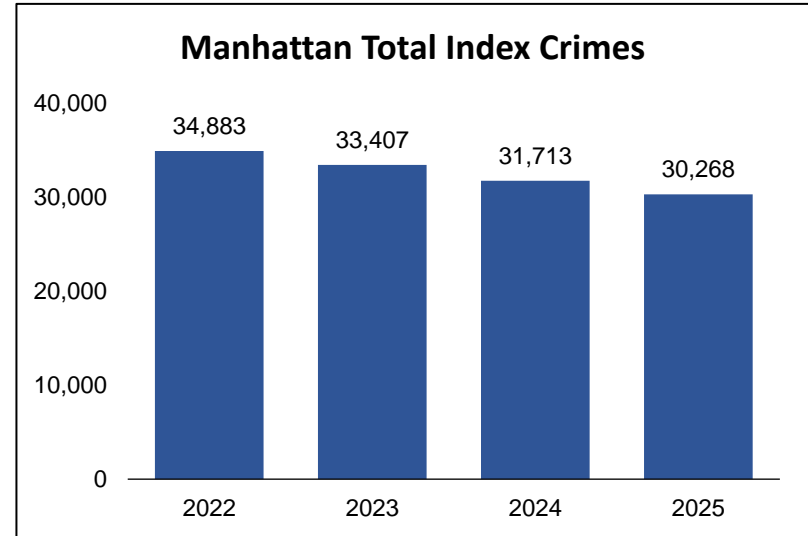
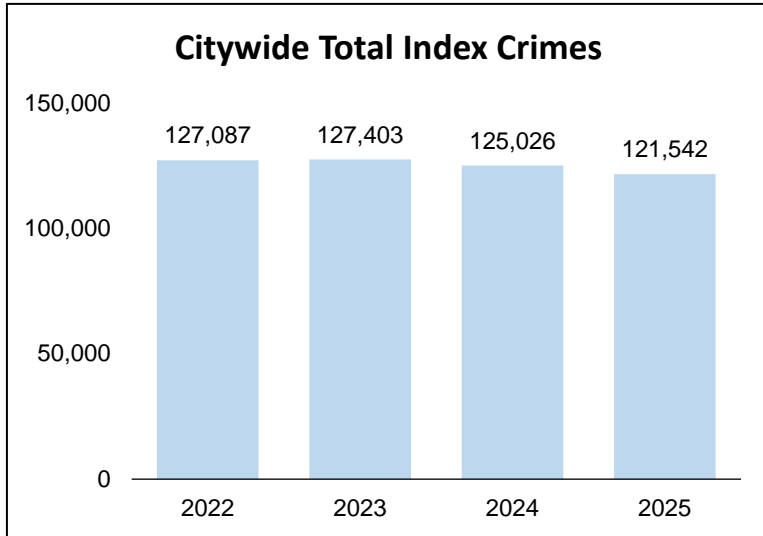
Systemic Accountability To Advance Public Safety

Wednesday, January 14, 2026



INDEX CRIME

TOPLINE: Complaints decreasing for 3rd consecutive year, but more work to do.



Still 11% higher in Manhattan than 2019 pre-covid levels — but number continuing to drop.
Citywide 26% higher.

Index crime complaints include murder, rape, robbery, fel. assault, burglary, gr. larceny, grand larceny auto.

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SYSTEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY

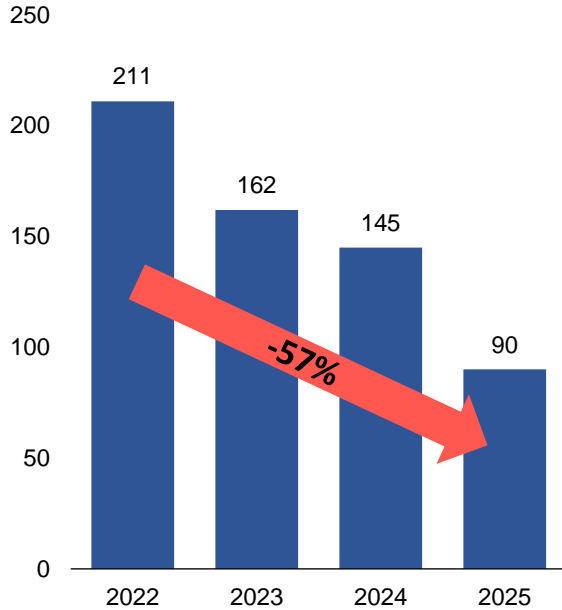
We must hold accountable those who profit from incentivizing or enabling criminal behavior.

- I. Enforcement
- II. Private Sector Engagement
- III. Legislative Change

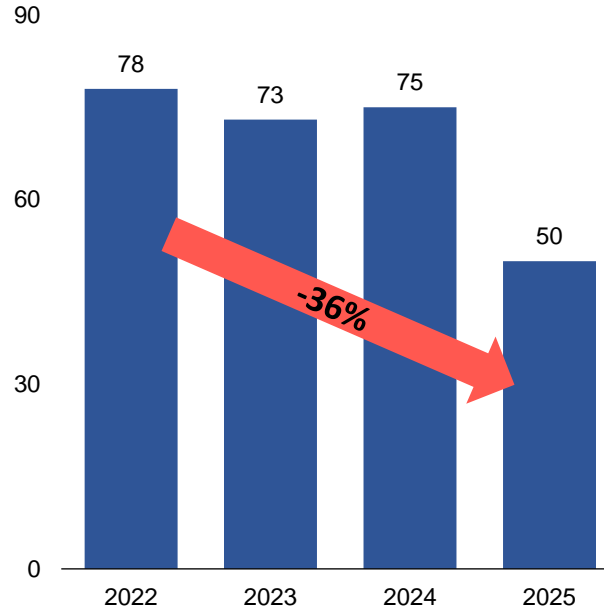


GUN VIOLENCE

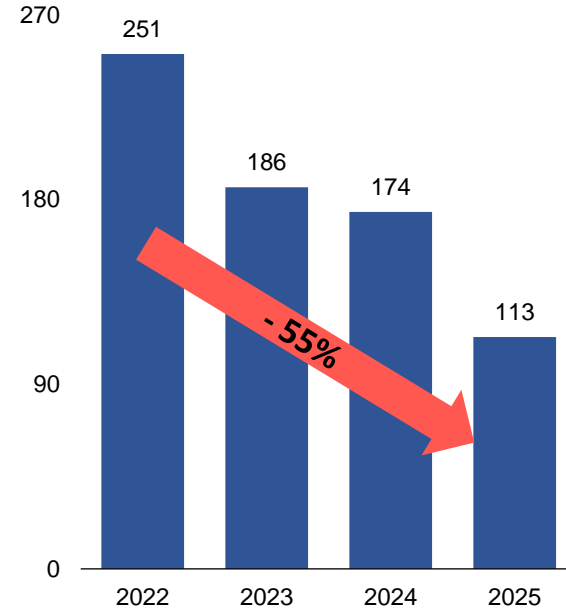
Shooting Incidents



Murder



Shooting Victims



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GUN VIOLENCE

Targeted enforcement

- Johnson/Jefferson
- Shots-fired investigations
- Community Investments

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By Brittany Kriegstein

Published May 5, 2025

How community activists, police and residents drove down shootings in East Harlem



GUN VIOLENCE

Strategic investments in prevention

- Gun Violence Prevention Initiative Awards
- Credible Messenger Engagement
- Survivor Services Bureau Response Team



GUN VIOLENCE

3D Printed Guns

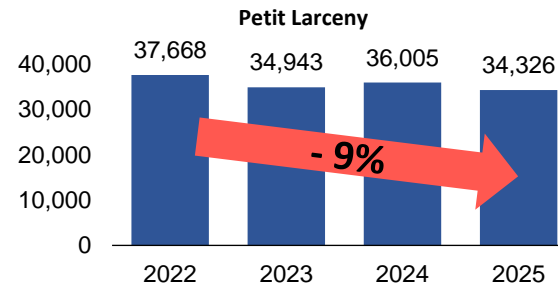
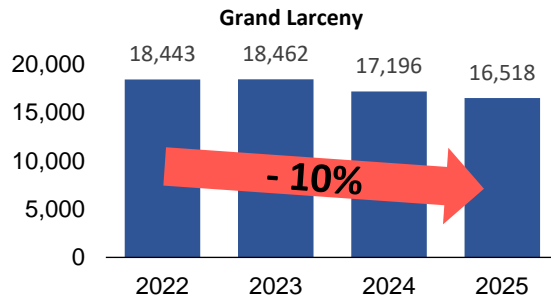
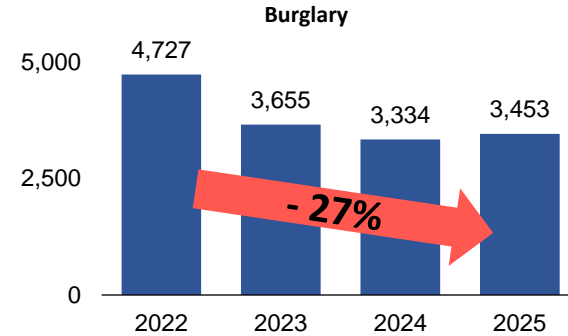
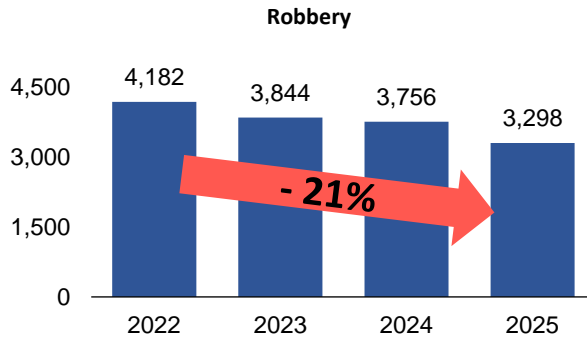
- Unserialized
- Accessible to everyone
- Cheaper and faster to make

Solutions

- Ghost Gun Enforcement
- Legislation criminalizing manufacture
- Private Sector Engagement
 - YouTube
 - Creality
 - Thingiverse

The image is a screenshot of a news article from ABC News. The article title is "Digital design firm agrees to block 3D guns, following letter from Manhattan DA". The byline is "By Aaron Katersky" and the date is "July 19, 2025, 6:12 AM". The article text states: "Thingiverse said it will use automated technology to detect and remove files." Below the text are social media sharing icons for Facebook, X, Email, and a link icon. At the bottom of the screenshot is a video player showing a close-up of several 3D printed handguns on a blue surface. A play button is overlaid on the video, and a duration of "7:32" is shown in the bottom left corner of the video player.

PROPERTY CRIME



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RETAIL THEFT

- In 2024, **5% of the people arrested** on a Manhattan retail offense accounted for about **one third of all Manhattan retail theft complaints**.
- More than 8,500 retail arrests prosecuted in 2025, up 7% since last year and more than double the number in 2021.
- Reducing retail theft through **focused deterrence** – complaints down 11%.
- Enhancing **programmatic solutions**, increasing dispositions with mandatory services through **Pathways**.



RETAIL THEFT

Disrupting **fencing operations** through investigations and prosecutions

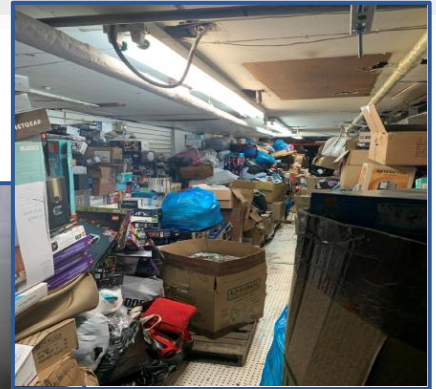
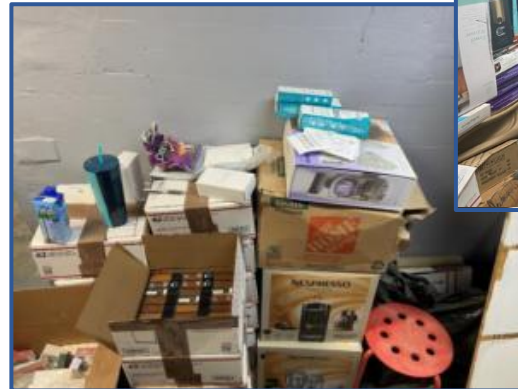
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Fenced in: How the Manhattan DA's office took down two siblings allegedly behind major retail theft ring

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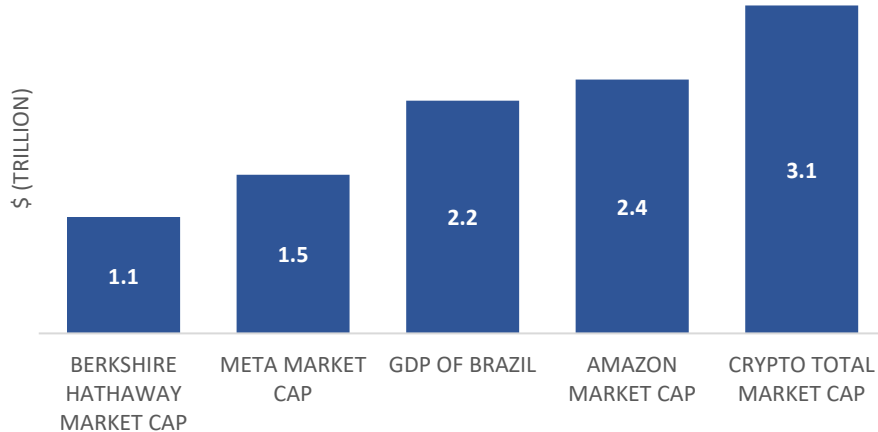
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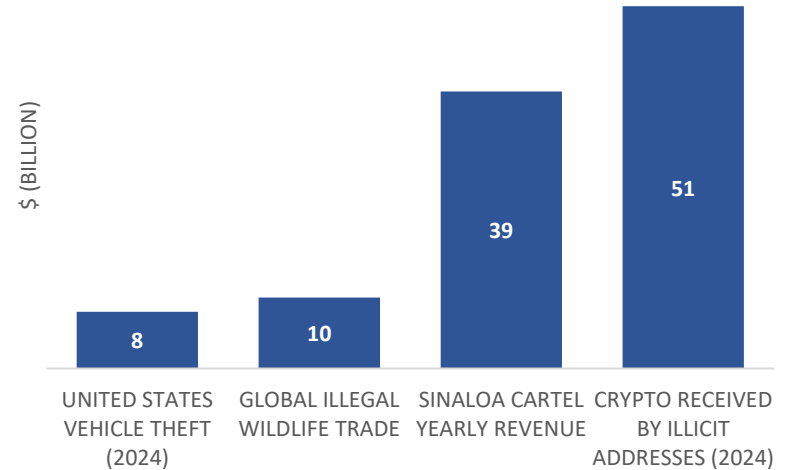
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CRYPTO MARKET: SCOPE & ILLICIT ACTIVITY

Scope of the Crypto Market



Illicit Crypto Activity



MONEY LAUNDERING

■ Essential infrastructure for organized crime:

- Gun trafficking
- Drug trafficking
- Identity theft
- Human trafficking
- Fraud
- Terrorism
- Sanctions Evasion

■ Manhattan D.A.'s Office History

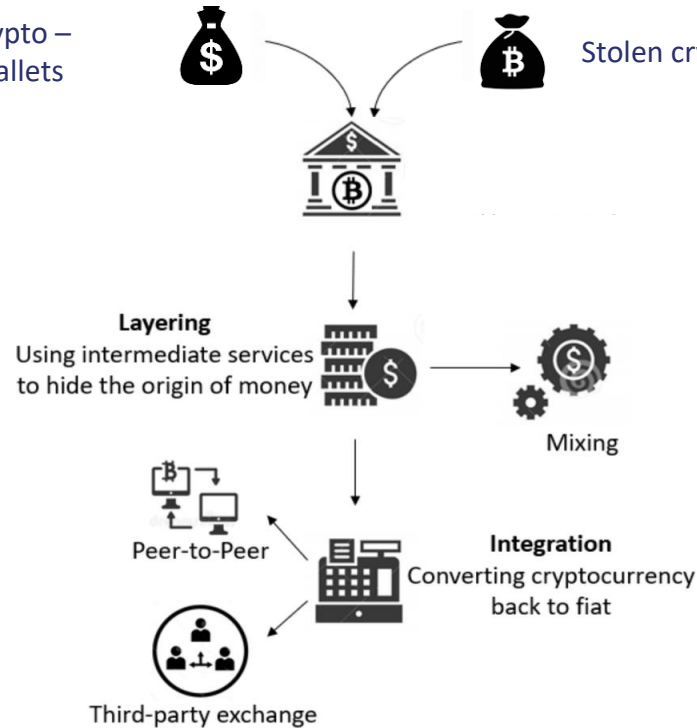
- Bank of Credit & Commerce International (BCCI)
- Bank Secrecy Act cases (seven banks, \$12 billion in forfeitures)



CRYPTO MONEY LAUNDERING

Placement
Stolen USD converted to Crypto –
sent to Target controlled wallets

Placement
Stolen crypto into target controlled
wallets



CRYPTO ENFORCEMENT

- Cyber Crime Bureau & Counter Terrorism Unit
- Terror financing
- Bitcoin ATM network
- Dark web drug trafficking



ADDRESSING CRYPTO MONEY LAUNDERING

- Banks collect Know Your Customer info
- Crypto transfer = Money transfer
- “KYC” standards should be the same
- Clarify criminal penalties
- Easier to prove than Money Laundering
- Can shut down websites & seize assets



CRYPTO LEGISLATION:

RECOVERY OF STOLEN CRYPTO

■ Crypto theft becoming common

■ CCB froze \$1.4M, returned \$234k in stolen crypto

■ Unnecessary barriers:

- Some crypto businesses don't comply with same rules as banks, credit cards
- Exchanges & issuers reluctant to freeze; some refuse to return stolen property, even with a warrant
 - Ex. Kraken, Circle
- Mixers/Tumblers obscure flow of crypto
- Recovery even more difficult from overseas

■ RIPOFF Act

- Clarifies authority to recover stolen crypto
- Ensures that stolen funds can be returned to victims.

CAPITOL

RIPOFF Act targets corporate fraud and misconduct in New York State

by: [Johan Sheridan](#)

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SYSTEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY

Dismantling systems and structures that enable criminal conduct

- **Enforcement** – holding accountable those who profit most from harming New Yorkers
- **Private sector engagement** – driving corporate responsibility
- **Legislative change** – giving our prosecutors the tools to pursue systemic accountability





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