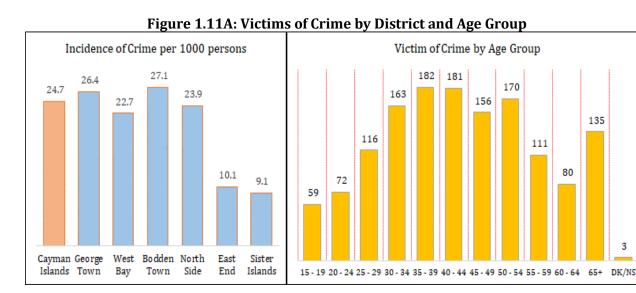




1.11 CRIME

As depicted in Figure 1.11A, the crime rate⁵ in the Cayman Islands stood at 24.7 crimes per 1,000 person, 15 years and older. Bodden Town's crime rate was highest at 27.1 per 1,000 persons, followed by George Town with 26.4 per 1,000. The crime rate in George Town and Bodden Town exceeded the national average. In North Side and West Bay, the crime rates stood at 23.9 and 22.7 per 1,000 persons. The lowest crime rate was in the Sister Islands, with 9.1 per 1,000 persons, while East End marginally higher.

In the twelve months leading up to the 2021 Census, victims of crime amounted to 1,428, which is 2.5 percent of the working-age population (15 + years). The age groups 25-29 to 55-59 were the primary victims of crime and accounted for 75.5 percent of individual and household crimes.



Of the 1,428 total crimes committed during the last year leading up to 'Census Day', victims reported 974 or 68.2 percent, to the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS), which implies another 31.8 percent remained unreported (see Table 1.11B) as at Census 2021. Female victims of crime report to RCIPS 70.1 percent of the time, while males reported 66.3 percent. Generally, crime was more prevalent among Caymanians with 71.5 percent, than Non-Caymanian with 63.2 percent.



⁵ Crime excluded traffic offences.



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Figure 1.11B: Victims of Crime and Reported Crime by Sex and Status

