

# **Crime Summary Report For Year 2011 Through July Including 2010 - 2009 - 2008 - 2007 - 2006 Ventana Lakes Community**

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Crime rates on this report are presented as the average number of crimes per month for a given year, and are calculated in each year by taking the total number of crimes and dividing by the number of months for the year. Starting in 2011, the website [crimemapping.com](http://crimemapping.com) is being used to get a high accuracy when tracking VL crime. The Crime Rate per Month is as follows:

2011 = 3.714 Crimes per Month (26 Crime / 7 Months)\*  
2010 = 0.750 Crimes per Month  
2009 = 2.333 Crimes per Month  
2008 = 2.750 Crimes per Month  
2007 = 1.416 Crimes per Month  
2006 = 3.000 Crimes per Month

\* There was a major crime spree in the South-West area of Ventana Lakes between June 20 and July 4. The burglar was arrested by Peoria PD on July 3. A young man (teenager) on a bicycle was caught by Peoria PD under-cover stakeout on Cimarron Dr. Also crimes are now being tracked via [crimemapping.com](http://crimemapping.com) which was never done before 2011.

- So far in 2011 we have 26 crime over 7 Months (3.714 Crimes per Month). For details see the Crime Incident Reports page on the VL Block Watch website. Go to [VLPOA.com](http://VLPOA.com), click on the Block Watch link, click on the Crime Incident Reports button.
- So far in 2011 crime is significantly higher than in 2010 due to the use of [crimemapping.com](http://crimemapping.com) which is allowing us to get a more accurate reporting of VL crime, and the crime spree that hit VL between 6/20 and 7/3.
- In 2011 we have had 2 crimes during the day and 15 at night and 12 where it is not known when the crime occurred.
- There is no correlation by month for crime incidents based on the data we have collected since 2006. Crime in Ventana Lakes occurs randomly throughout the year, day of week, and time of day and night.
- Based so far in 2011, the Crime Rate for Ventana Lakes could be cut in half if residents would park vehicles in locked garages, not leave garage doors open, and not place valuable items in front yards, or make it easy for a thief to steal your stuff. Crimes of Opportunity are roughly 54% of Ventana Lakes crime (14 of 26).
- Ventana Lakes Block Watch is now using [crimemapping.com](http://crimemapping.com) as of May 2011 which allows us to get a very good indication of crime in Ventana that have been reported to Peoria PD. Block Watch also receives of other crimes or potential crime incidents that are phoned to Block Watch that are not reported to Peoria PD.
- Ventana Lakes Crimes can be viewed at [www.vlpoa.org](http://www.vlpoa.org). Click on the "Block Watch" link, and then click on the "Crime Incident Reports" link. This report is available if you click on the "Crime Statistics" link.
- We do not include all crime in our statistics. As an example we do not include Domestic Abuse types of crimes. We do include those types of crime which we as property owners need to know about to help protect ourselves and our property.