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- The Portsmouth Crime Index per 100,000 is approximately **four** times the national average.
- The national average crime index for 2004 was **3982.6** violent/property crimes per 100,000 inhabitants.
- Portsmouth's crime index was **15,892** per 100,000 inhabitants
- Law enforcement projections indicate 80 – 90% of all crime is directly or indirectly related to drug use or trafficking.
- Drug/Crime Gang members have been identified in Portsmouth, (ex. Bloods & Crips)

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- The Portsmouth Police has and continues to work with the Columbus Special Response Bureau to identify and monitor gang activity in Portsmouth.
- This cooperation has extended to all other areas of crime and law enforcement.
- Drugs, prostitution, guns, stolen property are the product of gang activity.