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The Development of Conventional (Petty) Crime in Bulgaria – Current Issues, Problems and Trends

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CONVENTIONAL CRIME

- *against individuals*
- *different perpetrators*
- *low level of material harms*
- *high level of recidivism*
- *high social sensitivity ↔ high expectations for protection*



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CONVENTIONAL → POLITICAL CRIME

Sources of information

- *criminal law cases (Supreme court statistics)*
- *official statistics (National Statistical Institute)*
- *sociological researches*
- *media information*
- *personal experience*



REASONS FOR CONVENTIONAL CRIME IN BULGARIA

- *unemployment*
- *low educational level*
- *demographical features*
- *different living costs in different regions*
- *inefficiency of investigation*



DIFFERENT CRIMES (2013)

- *Thefts (9864)*
- *Robberies (964)*
- *Frauds (554)*
- *Destroying of property (378)*
- *Vandalism (403)*



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RECIDIVISM (2013) – CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

- *Total – 12392*
- *Convicted once – 11928*
- *Convicted twice – 406*
- *Convicted several times – 58*



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GENDER AND CRIME (2013)

Crimes against property

- *Committed by men – 11592*
- *Committed by women – 800*



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CITIZENSHIP STATISTICS

- *Bulgarians – 12377*
- *Bipartides – 15*
- *From EU member-countries – 8*
- *Outside the EU – 34*
- *Apatrudes – 1*



PERPETRATORS BY AGE

- *14 yrs – 17 yrs – 1391 boys and 58 girls*
- *18 yrs – 24 yrs – 3847 men and 152 women*
- *25 yrs – 29 yrs – 1903 men and 152 women*



PERPETRATORS BY AGE (2)

- *30 yrs – 39 yrs – 2596 men and 222 women*
- *40 yrs – 49 yrs – 1245 men and 132 women*
- *50 yrs – 59 yrs – 486 men and 53 women*
- *60 yrs and more – 124 men and 31 women*



SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES

- *increasing number of crimes*
- *not reported crimes*
- *inefficiency of the police*
- *low level of trust in law-enforcing agencies*



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Thank you for your attention!

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