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## 2017 Crime Rate Statistics

The Department of Justice recently released crimes stats for California and Santa Cruz County. The compiled stats are taken from all agencies in the county of Santa Cruz. The attached picture compares the crime rate in Santa Cruz County compared to California totals. Violent crime and property crime both decreased in Santa Cruz County in 2017.

A link to the Department of Justice website could be found at:  
<https://openjustice.doj.ca.gov/crime-statistics/crimes-clearances>

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