

Santa Barbara County

Bottom Line: \$2.2 million or more wasted seeking execution since 2000.

Santa Barbara enjoys a low homicide rate and solves a high percentage of crime, while sentencing only 2 people to death since 2000.

	Homicide Rate 2005	Percent of Homicides Solved 2005	Death Sentences Since 2000
Santa Barbara County	2.1 per 100,000	88.9	2
Rank among 24 counties	20 th	4 th	12 (tie)

	Law Enforcement Spending per Capita 2003-2004	Education Spending, per Student 2003-2004	High School Dropout Rate 2005
Santa Barbara County	\$262.82	\$7,475	8.4%
Rank among 24 counties	15 th	11 th	20 th

Santa Barbara County Quick Facts:

- 2 death sentences since 2000.
- The estimated **\$2.2 million** Santa Barbara County has spent seeking execution since 2000 could have funded the salaries for:
 - o 5 additional experienced high school teachers per year;
 - or
 - o 5 additional homicide investigators per year.

