



Executive Summary: Security Update for Monterrey, Nuevo León

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Overview

The primary concern regarding public safety in the Monterrey metropolitan area is associated with an uptick in attacks on civilians in public venues (see Table 1). There have been 24 such attacks during the first 9 months of 2018. The vast majority of these attacks were directed at bars, but at least seven of these were in restaurants or cafes. At the state level, there has also been a slight upward trend in homicides and other violence (see Figures 1 and 2). Also, even though the vast majority of extortion cases are never reported to authorities, the official number has shown a marginal increase this year (Figure 3). Total reported crimes has also increased through the year (Figure 4). Tables 2 through 5 also show the trends in several other measures.

Table 1: Reported Attacks on Public Venues in Monterrey (Source: Compiled from media reports.)

Year	Incidents
2017	10
2018 (Jan-Sept)	24

Figure 1: Reported *Homicidios Dolosos* in Nuevo León (2018) (Source: Secretaría de Gobernación, SEGOB)

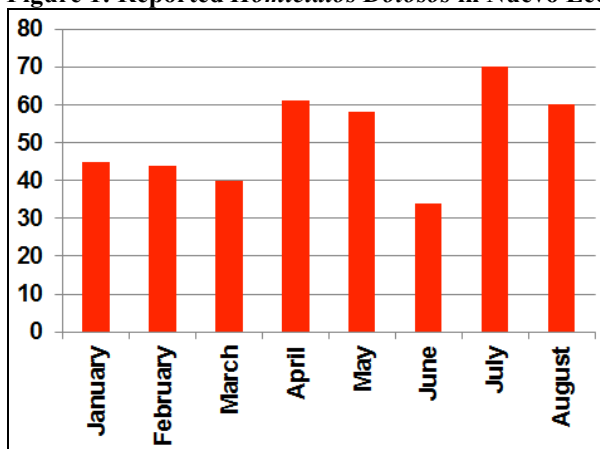
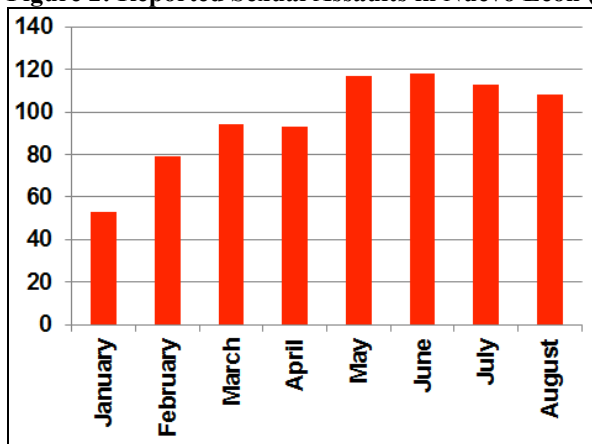


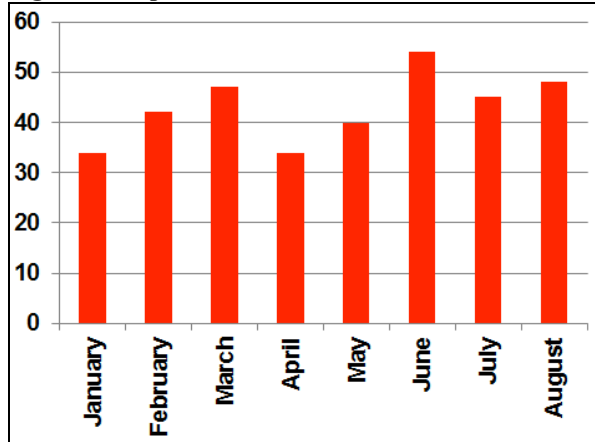
Figure 2: Reported Sexual Assaults in Nuevo León (2018) (Source: Secretaría de Gobernación, SEGOB)





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Figure 3: Reported Extortion Cases in Nuevo León (2018) (Source: Secretaría de Gobernación, SEGOB)



Source: Secretaría de Gobernación (SEGOB)

Figure 4: Total Reported Crimes in Nuevo León (2018) (Source: Secretaría de Gobernación, SEGOB)

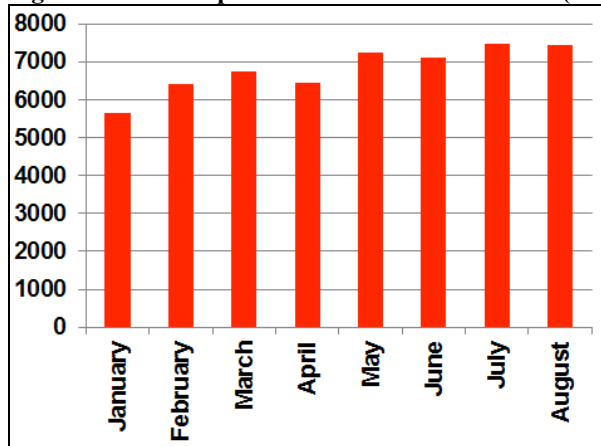


Table 2: Reported Distinct Mass Body Deposit Sites in Monterrey (Source: Compiled from media reports.)

Year	Incidents
2017	7
2018 (Jan-Sept)	18

Table 3: Reported Sites with Dismembered Bodies in Monterrey (Source: Compiled from media reports.)

Year	Incidents
2017	1
2018 (Jan-Sept)	4

Table 4: Reported Battles between Sicarios and Authorities (or rivals) in Monterrey (Source: Compiled from media reports.)

Year	Incidents
2017	9
2018 (Jan-Sept)	12



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Table 5: Reported Attacks on Authorities in Monterrey (Source: Compiled from media reports.)

Year	Incidents
2017	4
2018 (Jan-Sept)	3