The South Australian Office of Crime Statistics & Research (OCSAR) was established within the Attorney General’s Department in 1978 to monitor and report on crime trends within the state. It has three key objectives:

- To provide timely, accurate and comprehensive statistical information on crime and criminal justice
- To conduct research into crime and criminal justice issues, including evaluations of the impact of legislative change and the introduction of new criminal justice practices; and
- To disseminate information on crime and criminal justice to various stakeholders including Government, relevant agencies and the community.

Key Products
The OCSAR website contains a number of tools that can assist researchers. In particular are the:

Justice Data Portal
Brings together South Australian justice-related information from a range of sources and enables users to search the available information by category and sub-category using the drop-down lists provided.

Crime Mapper
Provides recorded offence data as recorded by police according to Local Government Area (LGA), South Australia, Metropolitan SA and Regional SA.

CARS integrates information from police, registration authorities, insurance companies and vehicle industry sources from across Australia.

We monitor trends, undertake research, and provide an evidence base for the development and evaluation of effective vehicle theft reduction strategies on behalf of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council.

Key Products
The CARS website contains a number of tools that can assist researchers in particular the Dashboard.

The Dashboard enables users to quickly visualise key national and state/territory statistics through a range of interactive tables and drilldown charts to understand current trends along with what is stolen, when and where.