

## SAFETY

The Scranton/Wilkes-Barre/Hazleton MSA is consistently ranked among the safest metro areas in the nation. According to the **2000 Places Rated Almanac**, which gathers its information from the FBI's Crime in the United States reports, the MSA has the 11<sup>th</sup> lowest crime rate out of 354 monitored metro areas.

### Police

Fifty-seven (57) State Troopers are stationed at the Pennsylvania State Police Barracks in Keystone Industrial Park, Dunmore. Troopers include patrol, crime, and staff sections.

The City of Scranton employs 154 full-time officers and operates more than 60 motor vehicles, motorcycles and bikes. Dunmore borough employs 29 officers, operating four vehicles, while the City of Carbondale employs 15 and operates four vehicles.

Most local boroughs or townships employ a small number of full and/or part-time police officers. A few rely on the Pennsylvania State Police for police services.

### Fire

The Scranton Fire Department employs 151 firefighters. The department operates eight engine companies and two ladder companies out of eight fire stations. Scranton's Fire Insurance Rating is Classification #4.

The City of Carbondale employs seven firefighters and is served by additional volunteers. The fire department maintains three stations that house three fire engines, four trucks, and a rescue unit.

Dunmore Borough employs 20 paid firefighters. One fire station houses two engine companies and one ladder company.

All other municipalities are served by volunteer fire companies. These volunteers have formed a confederation, coordinating manpower and equipment as needed throughout the County.

### Emergency Services

A 24-hour-a-day emergency dispatch network is accessed by the 911 emergency number.