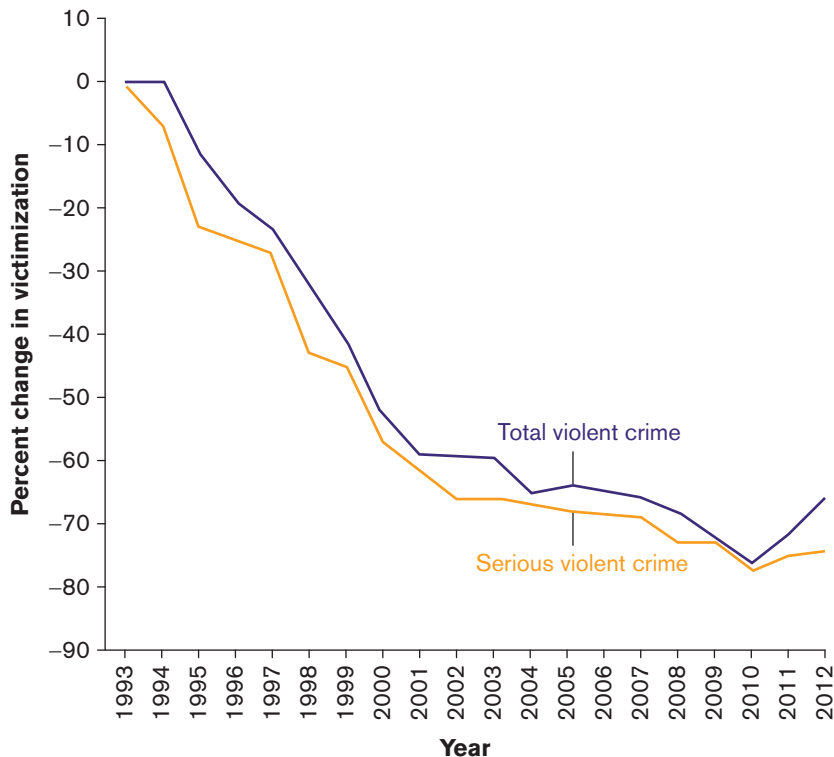


Figure 2.5 ■ Total and Serious Violent Victimizations, 1993–2012



The total and serious violent crime rates have plummeted from the early 1990s. Why might that be? What policies do you think may have been responsible, if any, for this decrease?

Source: Truman, J., & Planty, M. (2012). *Criminal victimization, 2011*; and Truman, J., Langton, L., & Planty, M. (2013). *Criminal victimization, 2012*. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.