Organized Crime

One major part of the 1920s was organized crime. Organized crime during the Roaring Twenties was directly linked with prohibition. Prohibition caused many bootleggers to sell illegal alcohol which is organized crime. There were groups of people who made lots of money by selling illegal alcohol. During the prohibition era, gangs were formed because of the illegal demand for alcohol, and people took advantage of this situation. People wanted to make a significant amount of money by selling illegal alcohol. Gangs were especially prominent in the city of Chicago.

The leader of the gang members in Chicago was named Al Capone. Al Capone was one of the most famous gangsters during the Roaring Twenties. He made roughly $60 million a year just by selling illegal alcohol. Capone's nickname was "Scarface." One of the worst parts of Capone's leadership was the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. This massacre occurred on February 14, 1929; the reason behind this massacre was to get rid of anyone who was against Al Capone. Justice was served for Al Capone when he was proven guilty for his massacre, in February of 1931.

