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2011 Year End Report

Mayor Scott and Haines Borough Assembly members,

Personnel

Two officers, Jason Joel and Kevin Kennedy, resigned from the Police department this past year. We were able to hire two officers with prior police experience in Alaska. That meant that we were able to put them on the street in a fairly short amount of time and they were working at a high level of competency. One of the new hires was John Havard. John's family remained in the Palmer area while John spent time here and traveled back home as much as possible to be with his family. John was not able financially to maintain this two-household lifestyle, and resigned from Haines Police Department early in 2012. The second police officer hired was Jason Rettinger. Jason lives in Haines and was a former member of the Haines PD. Since Jason was formerly certified as police officer in Alaska, he is only required to complete the 2 week re-certification training class, which he is currently attending. Jason is very well known in the community and has displayed a hard work ethic and a caring attitude. These traits led to his following tracks in the snow of a missing person and eventually locating her. His persistence very possibly saved her life. I am very pleased that Jason has chosen to dedicate himself to serving this community. I am currently advertising for another officer that displays the same traits as what we have on our current staff, Sgt. Simon Ford, Officer Cassandra McEwen, and Officer Jason Rettinger.

One of the replacements that were made last year was to fill the vacated Sergeant's position. Officer McEwen filled that role on a temporary basis for much of the year. Later in the year, Simon Ford was named as Acting Sergeant. Both people have performed admirably in the supervisory role. I decided early in the year that I would give both Cassandra and Simon an opportunity to fill the position, and use their performance to help determine who would get the position on a permanent basis. While this form of evaluation could create an adversarial relationship between these two, what it has actually done was to bring all members of the department closer together. Cassandra and Simon have helped each other out and each has been

very willing to assist and respect the leadership of the other. I am confident that when a permanent sergeant is named, all officers will continue to work together as a team to accomplish to goals of the department.

The Dispatch Center also lost two officers early in the year. Holly Parnell resigned and was replaced by Carrie Brown. Carrie has prior experience in emergency dispatching, which has created a fairly easy transition for her to work here. Dispatch Supervisor Angie Goodwin resigned and was replaced by Celeste Grimes. Celeste was a dispatcher here for about five years then moved to Juneau, where she was also a police dispatcher. Celeste brings years of experience to the job and I think everyone in the department will benefit from her guidance. Late in the year, Shelly Turner resigned so she can attend college. Rosalie Loewen was hired as Shelly's replacement and is proving to be very capable. Rosalie is still in training, but has shown to be a quick learner, so I anticipate that the Dispatch Center will be at full staff very soon.

Training

On-going training is essential to maintaining a highly professional police department. This past year, officers received training in interviewing and interrogation techniques, crime scene preservation and evidence collection, child abuse awareness, and leadership qualities. We also conducted regular in-house training sessions on firearms, legal updates, cpr, to name just a few. All together, Haines Police officers received an average of 85 hours of training last year and dispatchers received an average of 40 hours of training.

Accomplishments

The Haines Police Department has been very active in the community this past year. First and foremost, was the department's involvement as one of the prime sponsors of the Haines Alcohol Task Force. The Task Force was formed after a several accidents involving alcohol that results in a death and some other serious injuries. The entire community has drawn together in a cooperative effort to help curtail the abuse and misuse of alcohol. The Task Force, assisted by the students at the High School, conducted wide spread media campaigns directed towards young people and designed to inform youth about the hazards related to underage drinking. The Task Force also aided the Haines School during Red Ribbon Week by providing speakers for many varied, but alcohol related topics. These workshops were reportedly very well received by the students. The Task Force ended the year with a community wide alcohol free New Year's Eve party. This party was attended by over 100 people and was by all accounts, a huge success.

The Haines Police Department was also a co-sponsor of the Choose Respect March based on the governor's initiative to end domestic violence throughout the State of Alaska. All four of the Haines officers marched in the parade and I was asked to speak at the rally that followed the march. I have also been asked to serve on the board of the SEARHC sponsored Domestic Violence Task Force.

One of the most exciting community outreach programs this year has been the department's addition of social networking sites. Haines Police has an active FaceBook page,

which recently started posting the daily police activity log. We have also started a Twitter account, but haven't drawn a regular following on that site just yet. Social networking is a means to have a daily interaction with a large portion of the Haines Community, in a pro-active, non-threatening means. I plan on this year to be posting weather and traffic alerts, meeting announcements, and other important messages on our social networking sites.

We implemented the Bear Attractive Nuisance ordinance this past year and generally speaking, had very good compliance with the new regulations. Bear calls were down considerably last year, and I think the new ordinance was a big part of this reduction.

The Department has provided many "Officer Friendly" talks and other safety related talks at local schools. We have passed out bicycle safety helmets and blinking lights. We have had many panel discussions on local radio regarding topics from bear safety to domestic violence to alcohol awareness. The Police Department is always willing to speak to any community group on any topic related to public safety.

E-911 grant

In 2008, Haines Borough was notified that we were the recipient of a USDA grant for approx. \$69,000.00. This grant represents 55% of the cost to upgrade our Dispatch Center to E911 capability. Since that time, Haines Borough has had frequent and regular contract with the USDA office of Rural Development and still the grant has not been processed. I have over 20 documented correspondences, many of which have promised action, but so far nothing has taken place. In December, Manager Earnest contacted Senator Begich's office, and we have, once again been promised that action will be taken on this grant. Upgrading the antiquated phone system and radio system in the Dispatch Center should be the number 1 public safety priority for 2012.

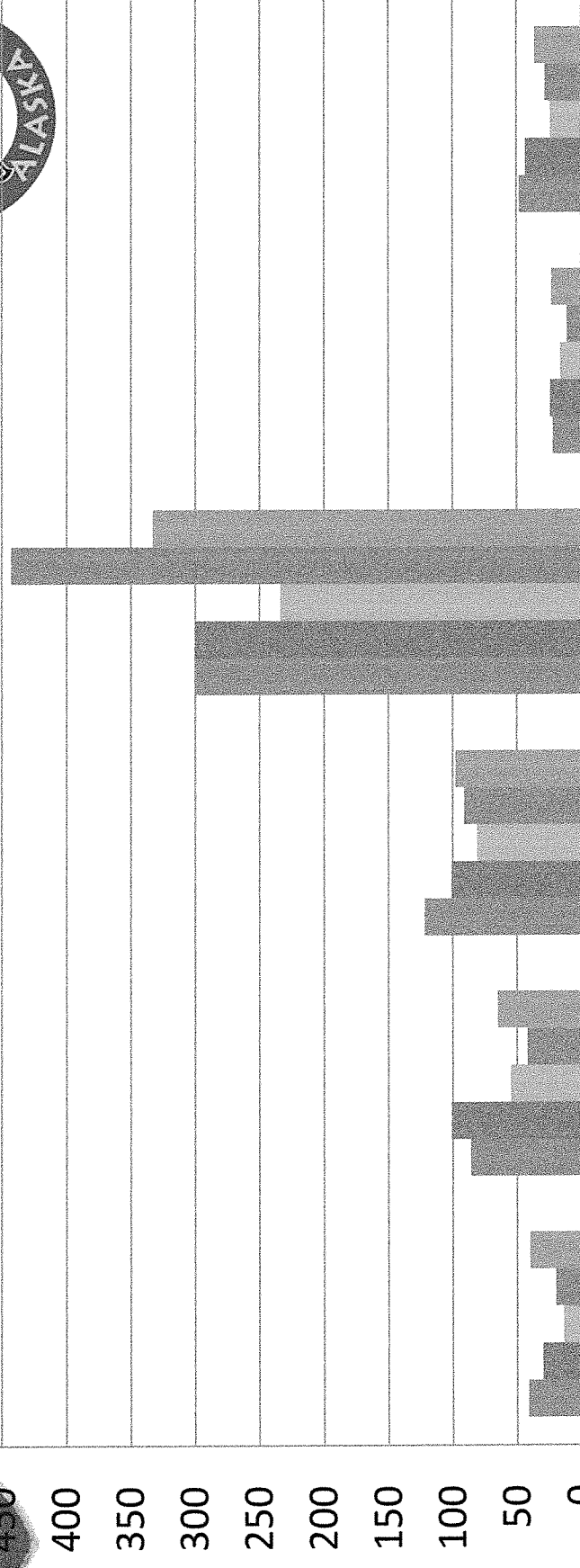
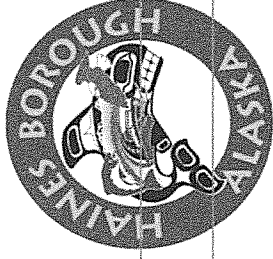
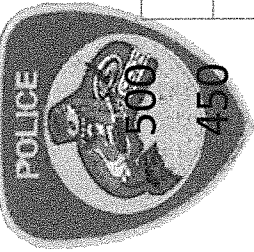
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Attached to this report is the 2011 statistical data. One category that is not specifically detailed is arrests for DUI. I have decided to include that information with this report.

<u>Year</u>	<u>DUI Arrests</u>
2007	3
2008	7
2009	2
2010	12
2011	17

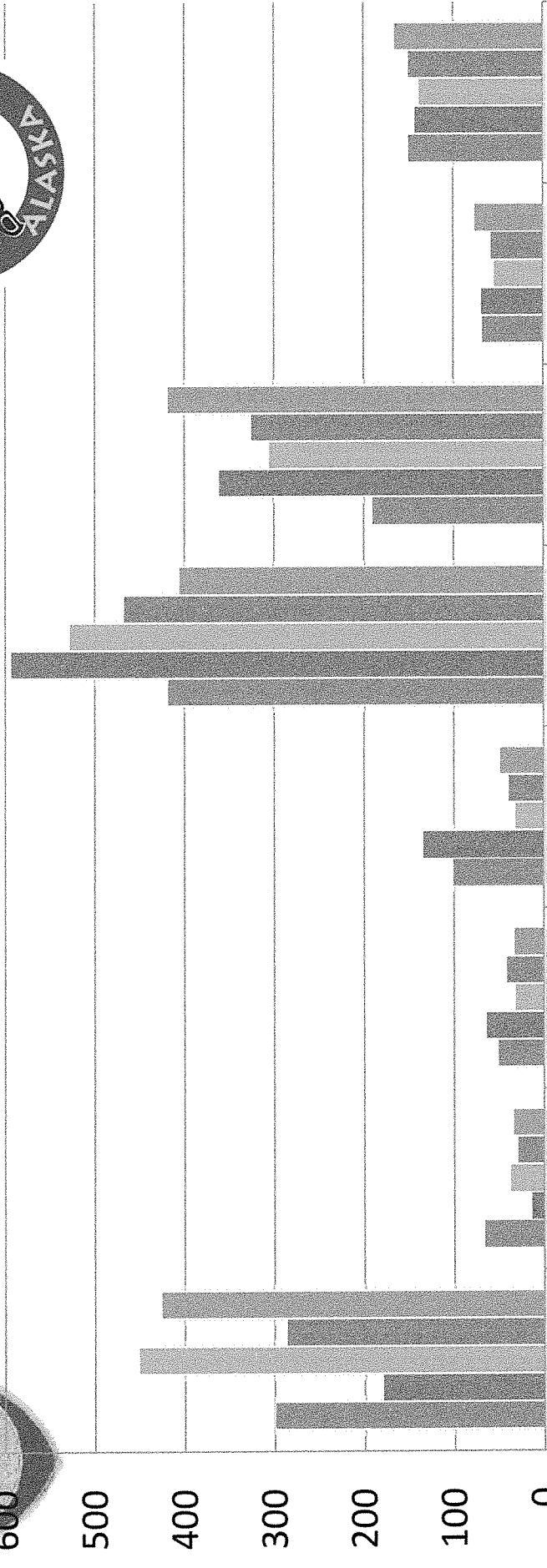
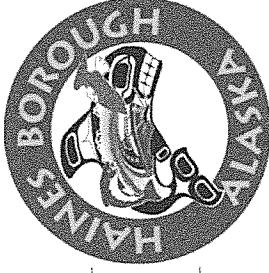
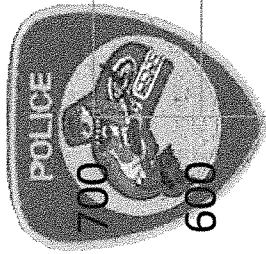
Respectfully submitted,
Gary Lowe

2011 Year End Report



	Alcohol Offenses	Crimes Against Persons	Crimes Against Property	Animal Complaints	Borough Offenses	Miscellaneous Offenses
■ 2007	41	86	122	300	22	48
■ 2008	30	101	101	300	24	43
■ 2009	14	55	81	234	16	24
■ 2010	20	42	91	443	11	28
■ 2011	40	65	98	333	23	36

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Year	Traffic Stop	Traffic Citations	Vehicle Accidents	Criminal Arrests	Tavern Checks	911 calls	In Custody	Man Days Served
2007	300	68	52	103	420	192	69	151
2008	181	15	65	136	595	363	70	144
2009	452	39	34	34	529	306	56	139
2010	288	31	43	40	468	327	60	151
2011	427	36	35	50	406	419	78	167

HBPD Statistics 2011

<u>Alcohol Offenses</u>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Contributing/Furnishing to minor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
DWI	0	4	0	0	0	1	6	2	0	3	2	4	22
Intoxicated Person	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	6	12
Minor Consuming/Possession	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	4
Minor Operating After Consuming	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Minor on Licensed Premises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refuse Chemical Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Crimes Against Person</u>													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Assault on Police Officer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault/Domestic Violence	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	1	0	1	9
Assault/Non-Family	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	1	7
Attempted Burglary	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Attempted Suicide	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Child Abuse	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Conspiracy to Commit Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Impersonation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Dispute	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	9
DVRO Received	5	7	4	2	0	0	1	3	2	1	2	1	28
Indecent Exposure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misconduct/Weapons	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Reckless Endangerment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Sexual Abuse of Minor	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Sexual Assault	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsworn Falsify/File False Rep.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Crimes Against Property</u>													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Attempted Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Concealment of Merchandise	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Mischief	0	0	3	0	6	2	0	2	0	1	0	3	17
Criminal Trespass	0	1	1	0	2	1	3	1	1	2	0	0	12
Forgery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	4
Fraud, Use of Credit Card	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Issuing a Bad Check	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Theft	2	2	4	4	1	4	9	6	2	4	2	3	43
Vandalism	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6	2	1	0	1	13
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
<u>Animal Complaints</u>													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Abandoned Animal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Animal Citations	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Animal Complaint	0	0	6	0	3	6	4	4	2	1	0	2	28
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Canine	17	4	14	17	19	13	11	22	21	3	12	7	160
Dog Bites	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	4
Wildlife Call	0	4	4	2	5	3	25	51	37	4	2	2	139

Offenses Against Public Order	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	6
Disturbance/Noise	1	1	0	1	7	5	4	3	0	6	0	0	28
Escape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fail to Register Sex Offender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fail to stop for Police Officer	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Harassment	0	2	0	1	1	0	4	1	3	4	2	2	20
Interfering w/report of DV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interfering with Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borough Offenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Curfew Violation	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Discharge Firearm in Town site	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Fireworks Prohibited	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Littering	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	2	1	0	0	9
Unauthorized Burn	0	2	0	1	1	3	2	0	0	1	1	0	11
Misc. Offenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
DVO Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Title 47	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	2	0	12
Minor/Tobacco Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misconduct/Controlled Subst.	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	6
Parole Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probation Revocation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probation Violation	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3
Resisting Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Run-a-way Juvenile	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
VOCR	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	2	6
Warrant Arrest	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4
Traffic Offenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Abandoned Vehicle	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
DWLR/DWLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	5
Fail to Report Accident	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hit & Run	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	7
Leave Scene of Accident	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
NVOL	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Parking Citation	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Parking Violation	1	0	0	0	11	0	10	9	1	2	0	2	36
Pursuit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reckless Driving	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	2	0	3	0	11
Traffic Citation	0	4	0	2	0	5	9	5	5	3	2	1	36
Traffic Stop	26	39	24	43	55	33	68	45	26	33	12	23	427
Traffic/Roads	13	7	5	7	0	3	6	15	9	2	26	13	106
Vehicle Accident	2	4	2	2	0	2	4	3	3	2	7	4	35
Vehicle Impound	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
W/A	25	36	26	44	48	30	31	36	18	19	14	16	343

Misc. Entries	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911	23	33	22	28	36	38	62	43	40	26	37	31	419
ABC Checks	27	28	15	9	38	22	13	22	34	81	61	56	406
ABC Violation	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Alarm	2	7	2	2	20	6	4	7	8	2	4	5	69
Alter Registration Plate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ambulance/Transports	15	11	14	19	16	30	41	20	16	15	25	13	235
APSIN/NCIC	174	235	160	207	272	171	281	213	167	184	119	102	2285
Assist Other Agency	15	11	16	14	23	17	13	12	24	15	10	13	183
Attended Death	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	5
Business Assist	2	0	1	0	0	2	4	5	0	3	1	2	20
Citizen Assist	11	4	7	9	10	8	14	13	7	6	6	5	100
Citizen Complaint	24	21	20	16	24	27	21	8	9	6	7	8	191
Civil	0	0	1	2	3	6	2	0	1	8	1	1	25
Control Burns	85	75	98	309	242	170	175	172	122	153	41	40	1682
Court Appearance	2	4	4	4	1	2	4	4	1	1	1	0	28
Doctor Calls	51	65	53	49	52	58	71	45	50	48	33	41	616
Escort	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
Extra Patrol	2	1	4	1	2	3	0	0	3	0	3	1	20
Fatality	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Fire	4	3	1	3	3	1	12	6	3	2	2	4	44
Foot Patrol	1	11	2	0	13	10	12	2	4	8	2	4	69
Found Property	4	7	4	2	9	9	17	4	2	7	3	2	70
Hazmat	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Juvenile Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Keep the Peace	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Knock & Talk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Lost Property	6	5	2	5	4	12	9	9	8	7	1	3	71
Medevac	2	3	2	6	12	4	12	6	16	5	3	1	72
Meeting	26	23	0	40	45	41	25	17	22	14	11	14	278
Message Relay	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	10
Missing Person	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	11
Morgue	1	0	1	1	1	2	3	0	2	4	0	1	16
Motorist Assist	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	3	10
Officer Activity	105	93	118	68	93	73	119	118	99	106	0	78	1070
Overdue Aircraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Phone Calls	1138	978	1003	998	1145	1235	1456	1281	1355	1571	904	1033	14097
Power Outage	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	2	4	14
Prisoner Activity	4	3	0	3	3	1	13	6	5	6	3	6	53
Probation Check	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Prowler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radio Transmissions	1567	1560	1399	1432	2055	1451	2402	1780	1654	1883	1454	1463	20100
Recall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Release of Evidence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Search & Rescue	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Search Warrant	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Secretarial	815	756	740	675	568	621	578	521	595	658	843	833	8203
Security Check	256	289	341	207	242	162	283	301	187	276	314	248	3106
Standby Callout	3	2	8	1	7	10	9	0	2	4	1	2	49
Subpoena/Summons Service	9	3	14	3	7	9	19	6	12	13	21	16	132
Suspicious Circumstance	0	3	1	1	2	3	3	1	2	1	0	1	18
Suspicious Person	1	2	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	11
Suspicious Vehicle	0	1	1	1	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	9
Terroristic Threat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Traffic Control	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Transport	15	5	1	11	4	7	25	12	9	21	14	7	131
Unattended Death	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	6
Unsecured Premises	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	9
Walk In	133	52	71	82	75	95	115	109	112	123	129	115	1211
Weather Alert	5	3	6	4	3	1	4	1	0	1	7	6	41
Welfare Check	3	4	0	2	3	2	7	4	1	5	6	8	45