



Sault Ste. Marie  
**POLICE**

# 2017-2019 Annual Report

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## Comparing Crime Statistics

Crime statistics in this report should not be compared to statistics from previous Annual Statistical Reports due to changes in counting rules.

It is also not recommended that the crime statistics in this report be compared to crime statistics prepared by other agencies due to the fact that different methods of categorization, geographic, technical data, and time constraints may affect the outcome.

Although comparing exact numbers is not recommended, the general trends and magnitude of change should be similar regardless of the counting method.

Detailed information pertaining to Statistics Canada crime reporting methodology can be found in the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey documents posted on Statistics Canada website.

[Statistics Canada](#) →

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## Legend

### Colour Breakdown for Statistics

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2017 Statistics



2018 Statistics



2019 Statistics

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## Acronyms

**CCC** = Criminal Code of Canada

**ADLS** = Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension

**YCJA** = Youth Criminal Justice Act

**R.I.D.E.** = Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere

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## Message from the Chair

### Sault Ste. Marie Police Services Board



On behalf of the Police Services Board, I am pleased to present the Sault Ste. Marie Police Service's 2017-2019 Annual Report.

The Sault Ste. Marie Police Service is an important community partner with a significant social responsibility. As a primary function, the service works to keep our community safe. In furtherance of this goal, the service will continue to work with partners across our community to acknowledge and address the underlining socioeconomic and mental health challenges that can lead to crime.

The Board is proud of the efforts of the Service to enhance community safety, advance public trust and accountability, and support members. We are committed to being a transparent Police Service, and the 2017-2019 Annual Report presents a clear and thorough statistical breakdown of the Service's operations in Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township.

The Sault Ste. Marie Police Services Board would like to thank Chief Stevenson and Deputy Chief MacLachlan, along with our sworn and civilian employees, for continuing to serve with integrity, professionalism, compassion, dedication and courage, in an embodiment of the service's motto: Committed to Excellence in our Community.

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## Message from the Chief Chief Hugh Stevenson, ED.D.



On behalf of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Service, and under the direction of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services Board, I am pleased to present the 2017-2019 Annual Report.

In 2019 we presented the 2019-2021 Strategic Plan, my first as Chief of Police, with the mandate of "Ensuring Public Safety Through Enforcement, Education and Partnerships." While this report only addresses the first year of the Strategic Plan, it is transparent and gives an accurate depiction of the work we do to keep Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township safe.

We realize ensuring public safety is not something we can accomplish alone. We actively analyze our statistics in order to develop the most effective way to enhance community safety for all. We understand the importance of transparency, and presenting this data gives perspective of what we do on a daily basis.

The 2017-2019 Annual Report will hold our Service accountable to the people we serve and will serve as a reminder to our sworn and civilian members that we remain committed to excellence in policing as we work toward improving the quality of life for our friends, families and neighbours.

### Mission

To protect and enhance the quality of life in the City of Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township through dynamic partnerships with community members and agencies.

### Vision

Ensuring Public Safety Through Enforcement, Education & Partnerships

### Values

- ✔ Civility
- ✔ Community
- ✔ Courtesy
- ✔ Innovation
- ✔ Integrity
- ✔ Transparency

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## Organizational Structure

 Organization Chart - Revised June 29, 2020

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## Board Members

### 2017 Board Members



**Donna Hilsinger**  
Board Chair – Municipal Appointee



**Christian Provenzano**  
Vice Chair – Municipal Appointee



**John Bruno**  
Provincial Appointee



**Marchy Bruni**  
Municipal Appointee



**Rick Webb**  
Community Appointee

## 2018 Board Members



**Donna Hilsinger**  
Board Chair – Municipal Appointee



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Vice Chair – Municipal Appointee



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## 2019 Board Members



**Christian Provenzano**  
Chair



**John Bruno**  
Vice-Chair – Provincial Appointee



**Rick Webb**  
Community Appointee



**Lisa Vezeau-Allen**  
Municipal Appointee



**Ian MacKenzie**  
Provincial Appointee



## Authorized Personnel

<b>Uniform Personnel</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Chief	1	1	1
Deputy Chief	1	1	1
Inspectors	3	3	3
Staff Sergeants	7	7	7
Sergeants	20	20	20
Constables	103	103	103
Total Uniform Personnel	135	135	135
Civilian Personnel	38	40	42
Special Constables	8	8	8
Total Civilian Personnel	46	48	50
Total Authorized Strength	181	183	185
Part-Time Civilians	14	16	16
Part-Time Special Constables	6	6	6
Total Part-Time Personnel	20	22	22
Total Staff	201	205	207



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 Budget

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Operating Budget	\$25,792,762.00	\$26,881,134.00	\$24,966,819.00
Capital Budget	\$656,520.00	\$762,800.00	\$560,030.00
Total Budget	\$26,449,282.00	\$27,643,934.00	\$25,526,849.00
Estimated Population*	76,172	76,172	76,172
Per Capita Cost	\$347.23	\$362.91	\$335.12

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 Courthouse**Court Hours**

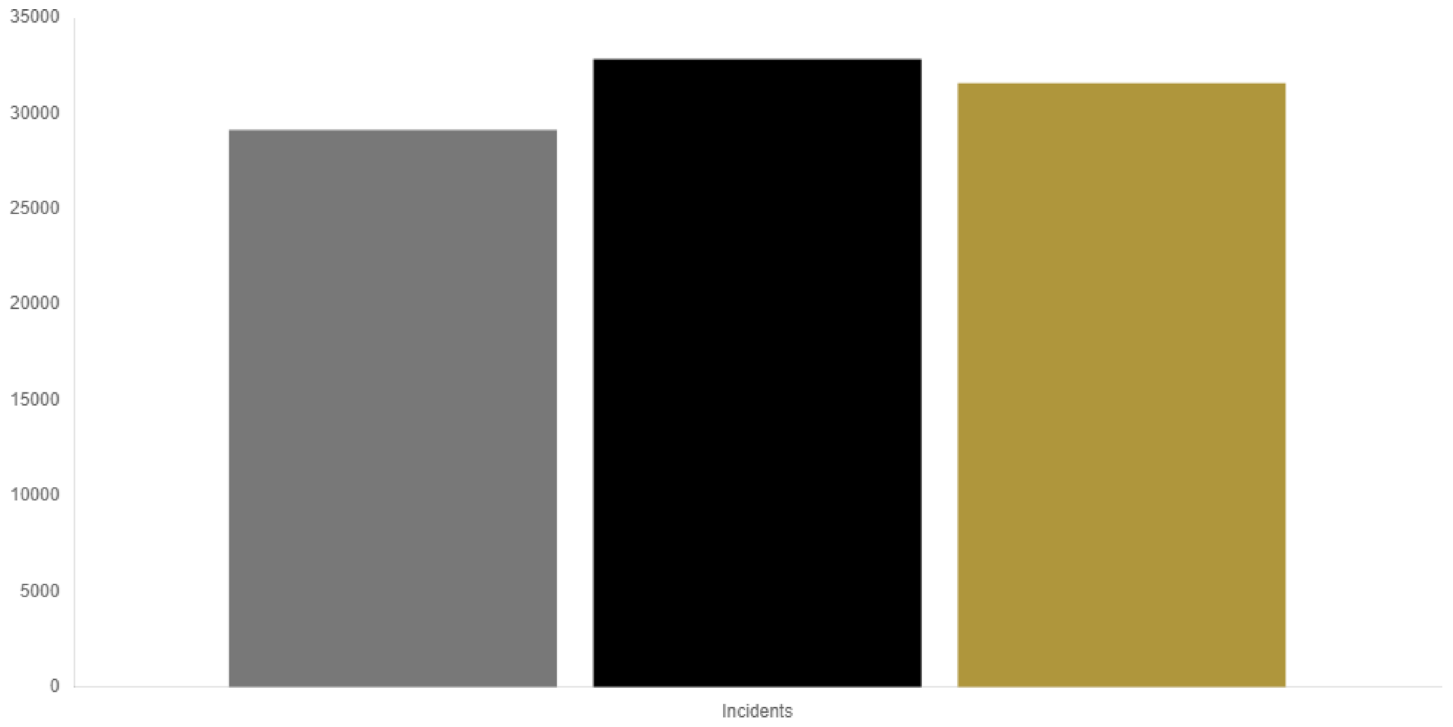
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
On Duty	611.52	684.91	753.46
Off Duty	631	755.3	833
Total	1242.52	1440.21	1586.46
Testified	163	226	218
Officers Attending (On Duty and Off Duty)	515	554	611

**Prisoner Transportation**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Adults	1,647	2,039	2,038
Young Offenders	47	47	65
Total	1,721	2,086	2,373



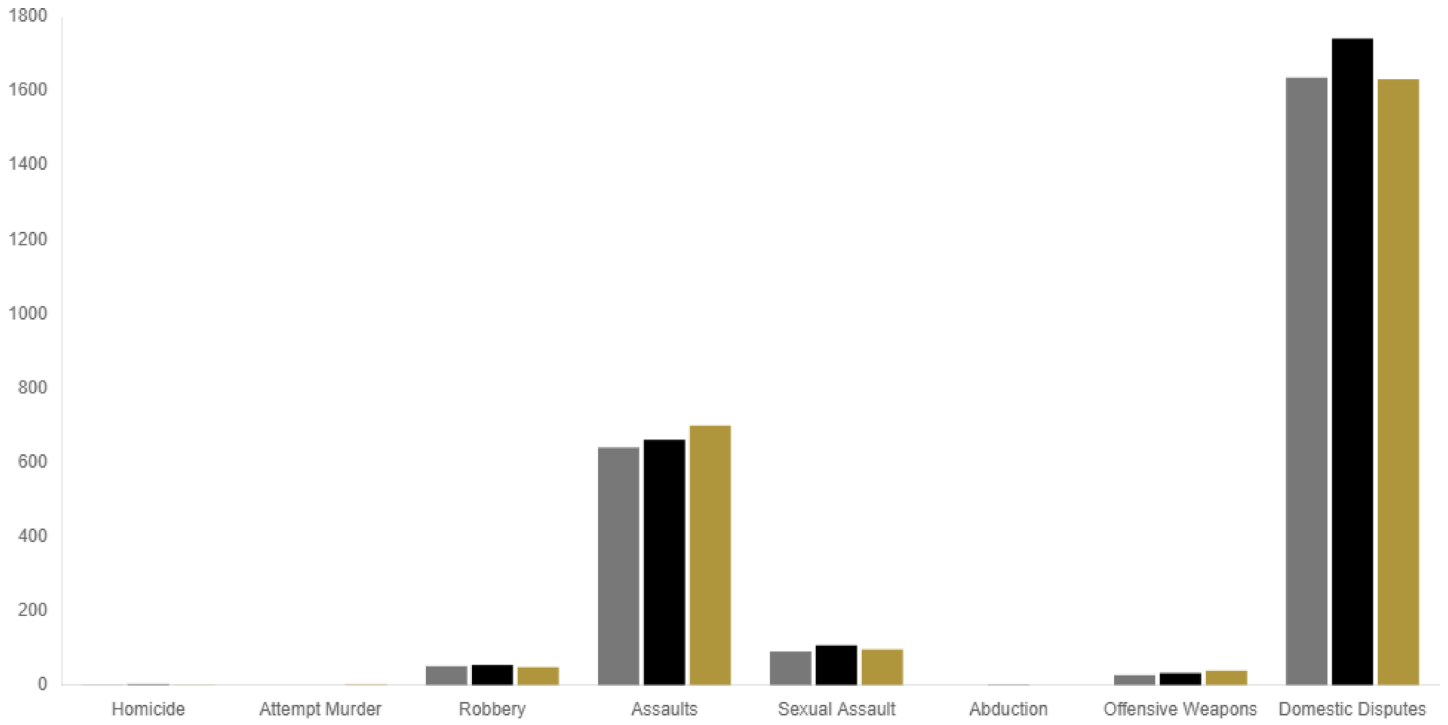
## Incidents





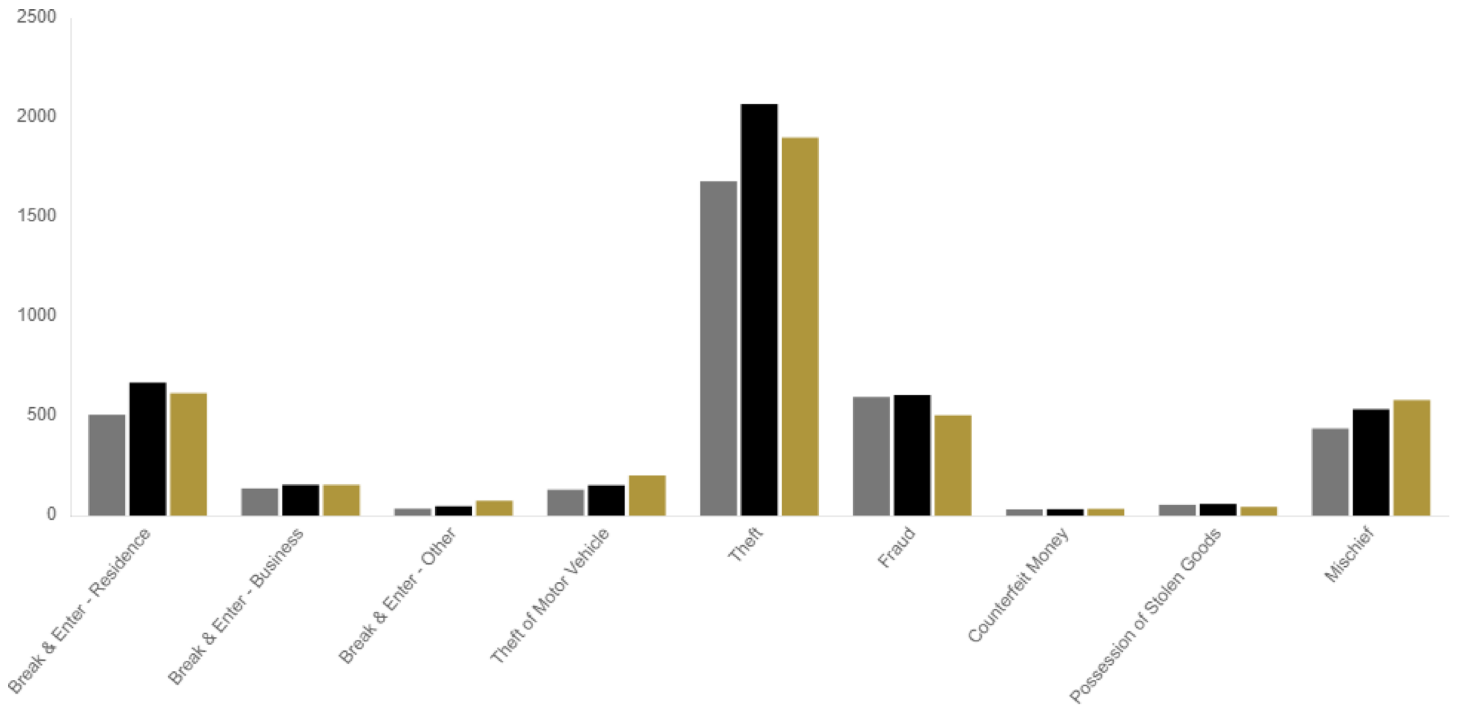
# Crimes of Violence

## Crimes of Violence





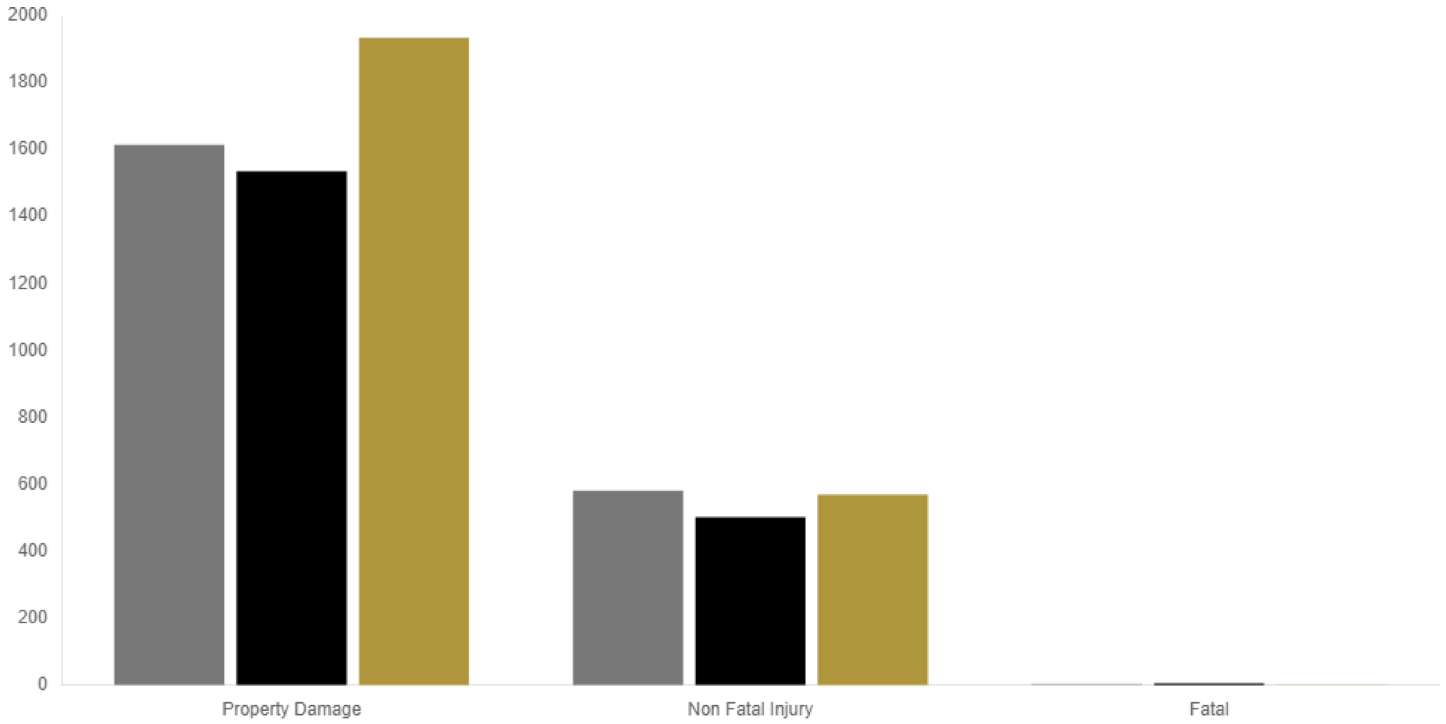
## Property Crimes



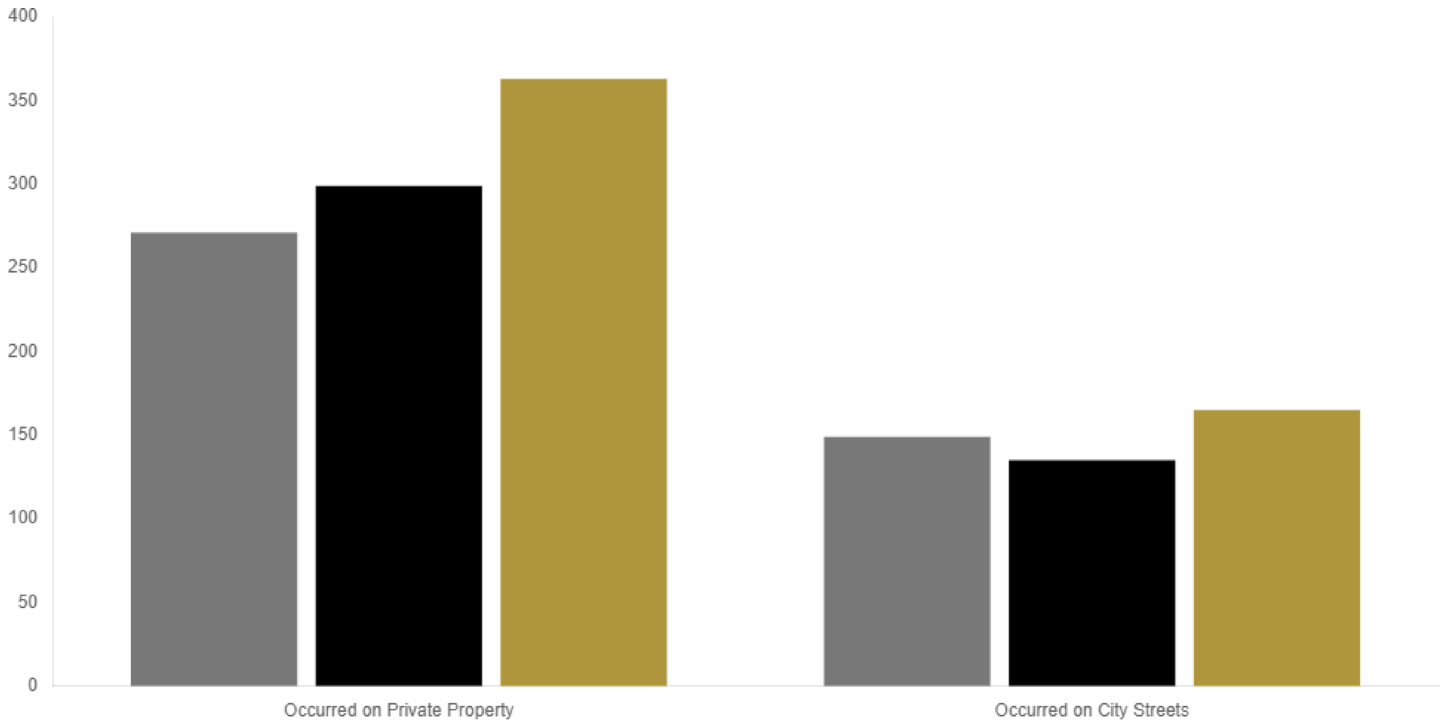


# Motor Vehicle Collisions

## Nature of Collisions

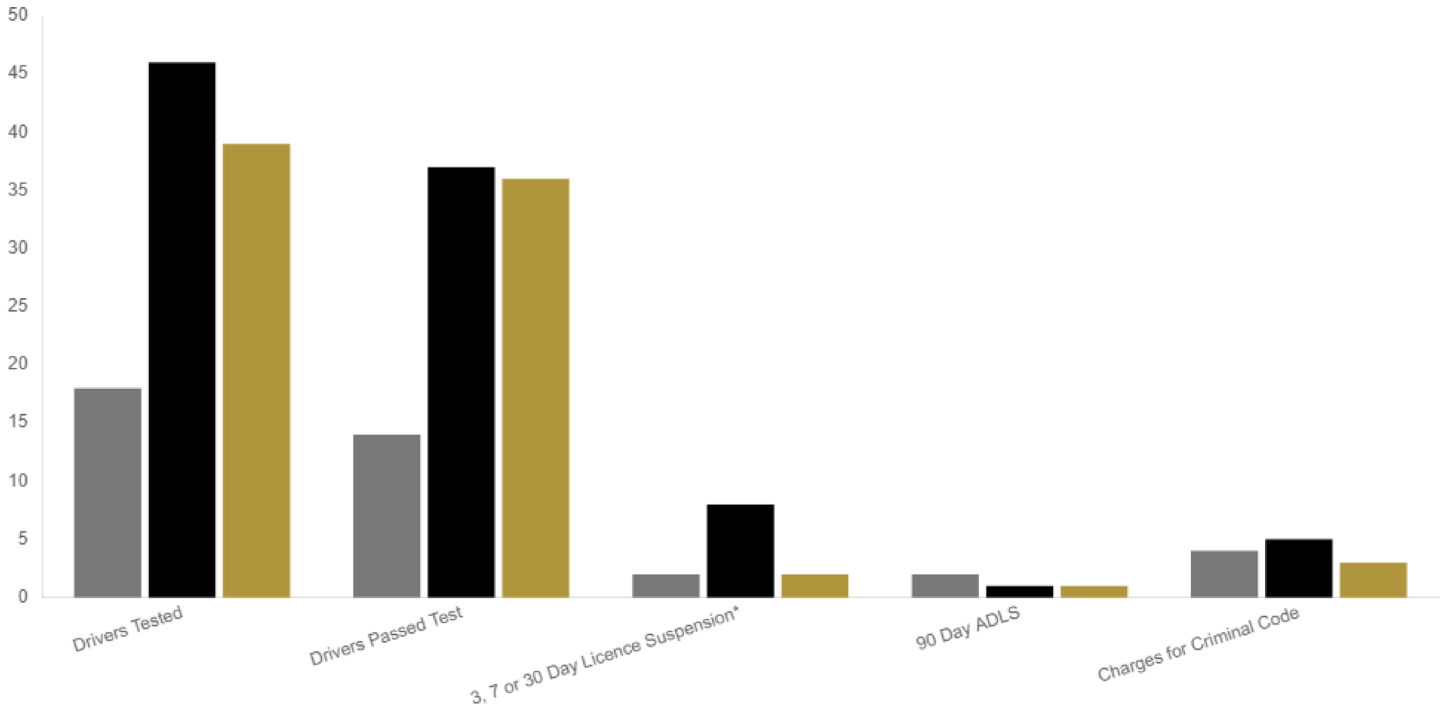


## Hit and Run Accidents



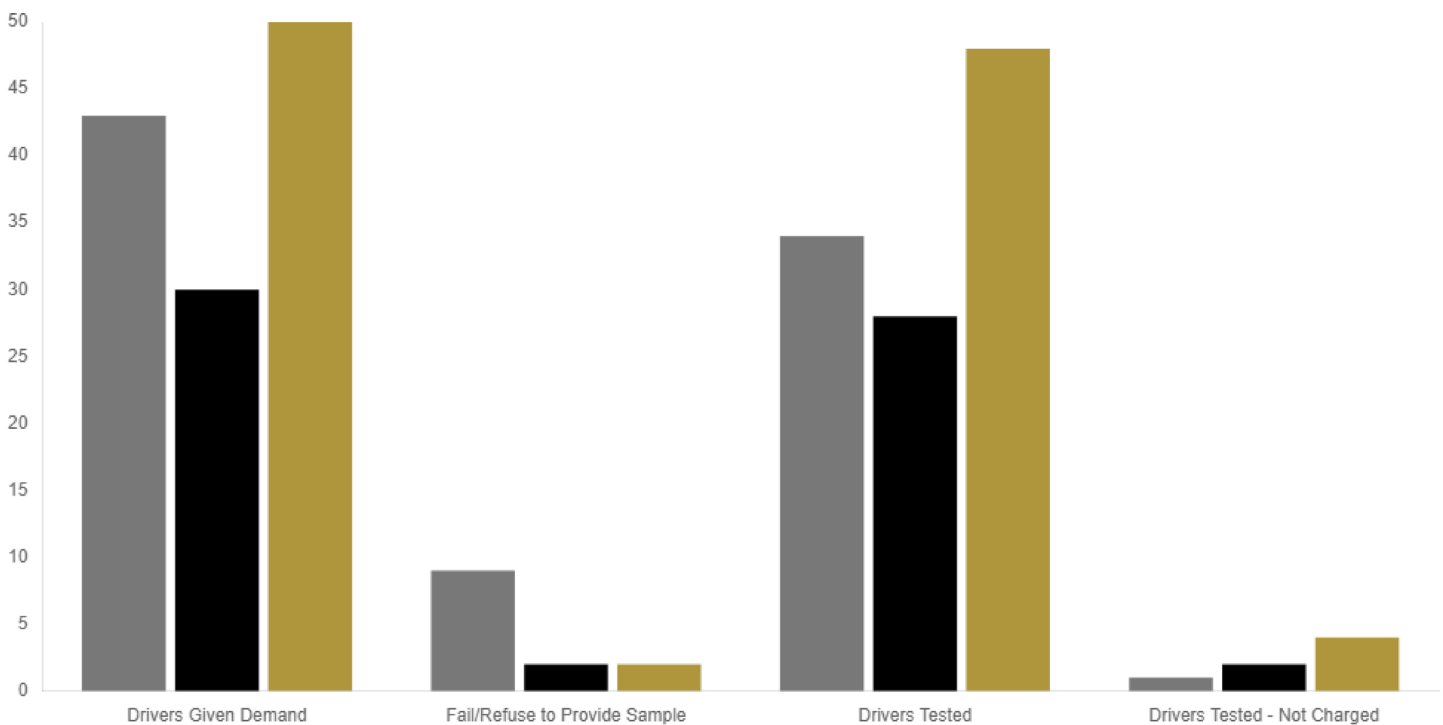
# R.I.D.E. and Breathalyzer Statistics

## R.I.D.E. Program



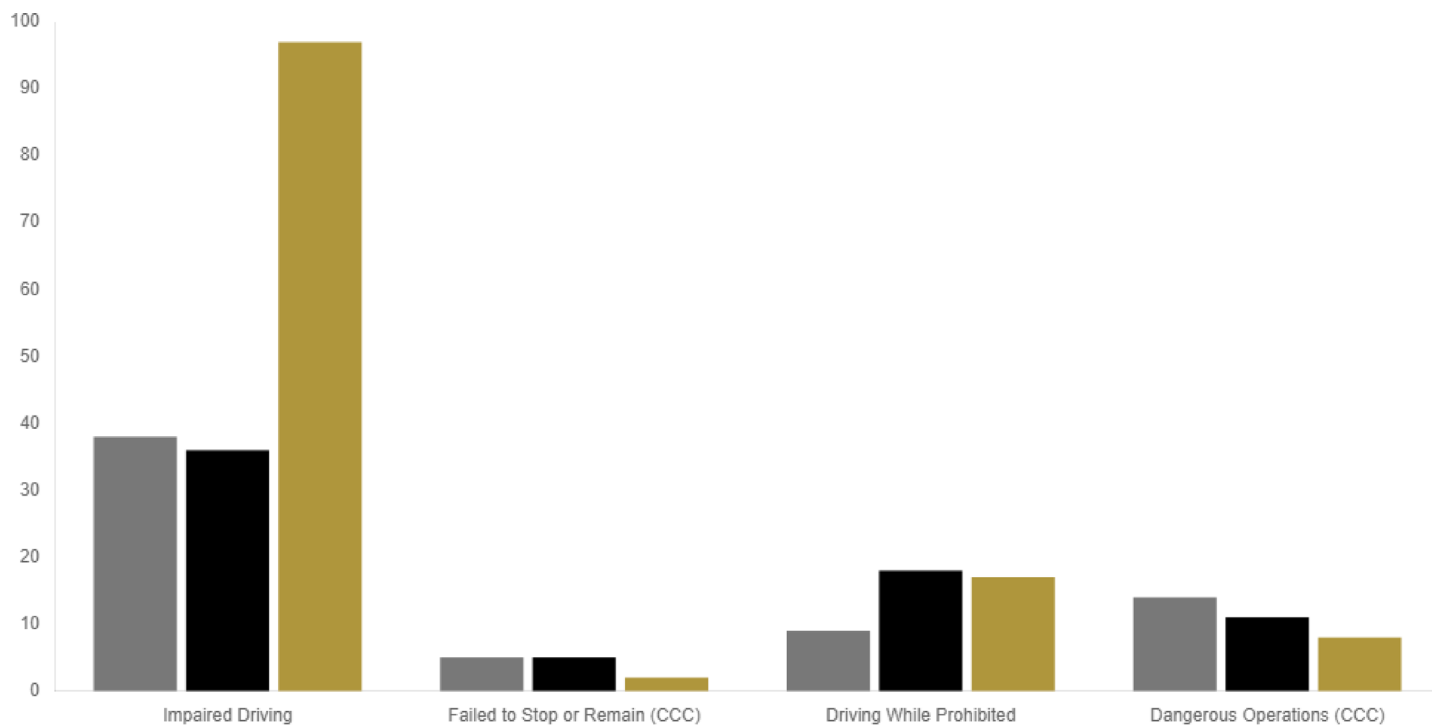
\*Due to Legislative amendments, reporting structures have changed.

## Breathalyzer Program





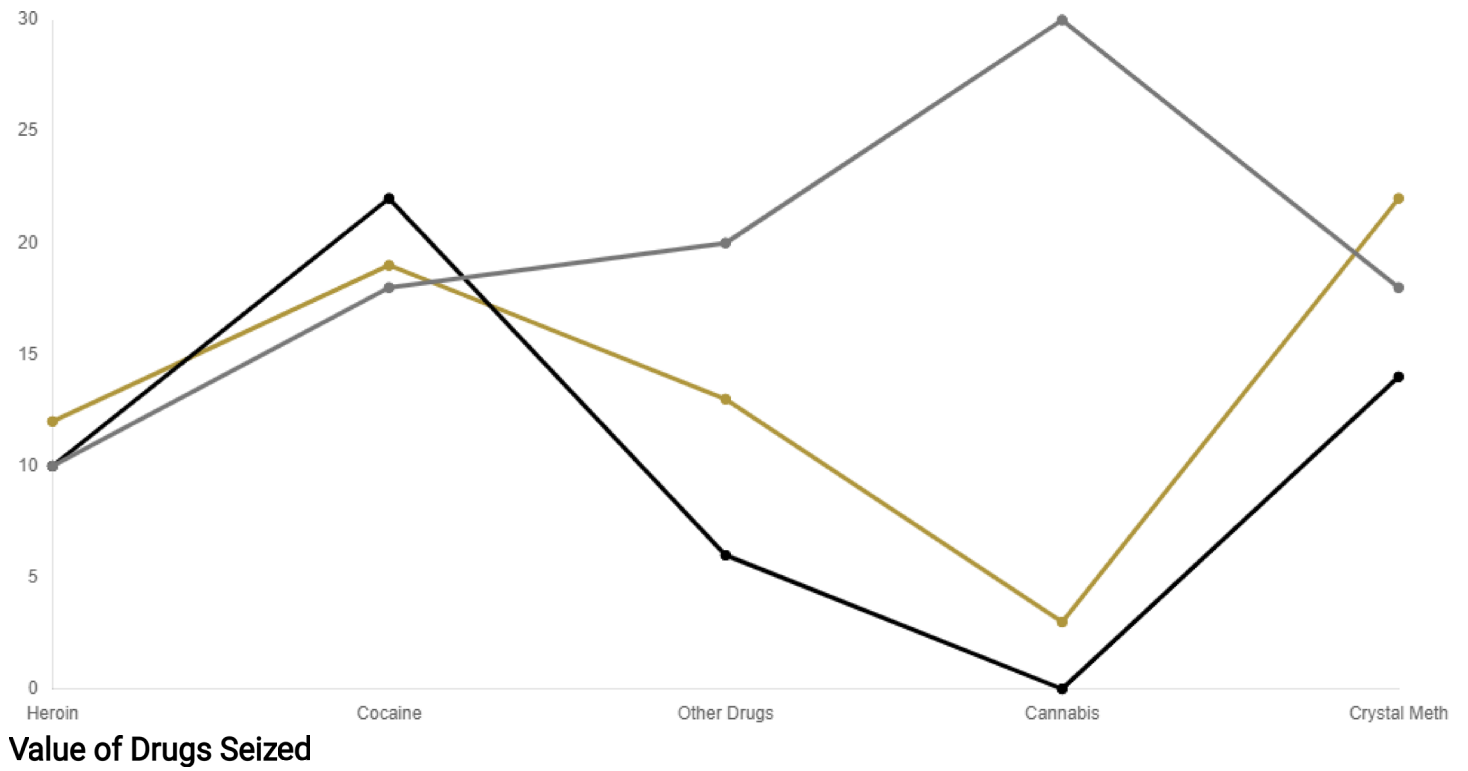
## Driving Offences



## Traffic Statistics

Provincial Offence Notices Issued	2017	2018	2019
Highway Traffic Act	1,908	3,683	2,151
Trespass to Property Act	81	62	52
Liquor Licence Act	98	107	87
Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act	386	682	482
By-Law	28	24	17
Motorized Snow Vehicle Act	3	0	2
Off Road Vehicle Act	8	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,512</b>	<b>4,558</b>	<b>2,792</b>

# Drugs



**2018**  
\$342,784



**2019**  
\$171,660

# Complaints

## Public Complaints

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Conduct	15	15	21
Service or Policy	5	5	6
Total	20	20	27

## Results of Complaints

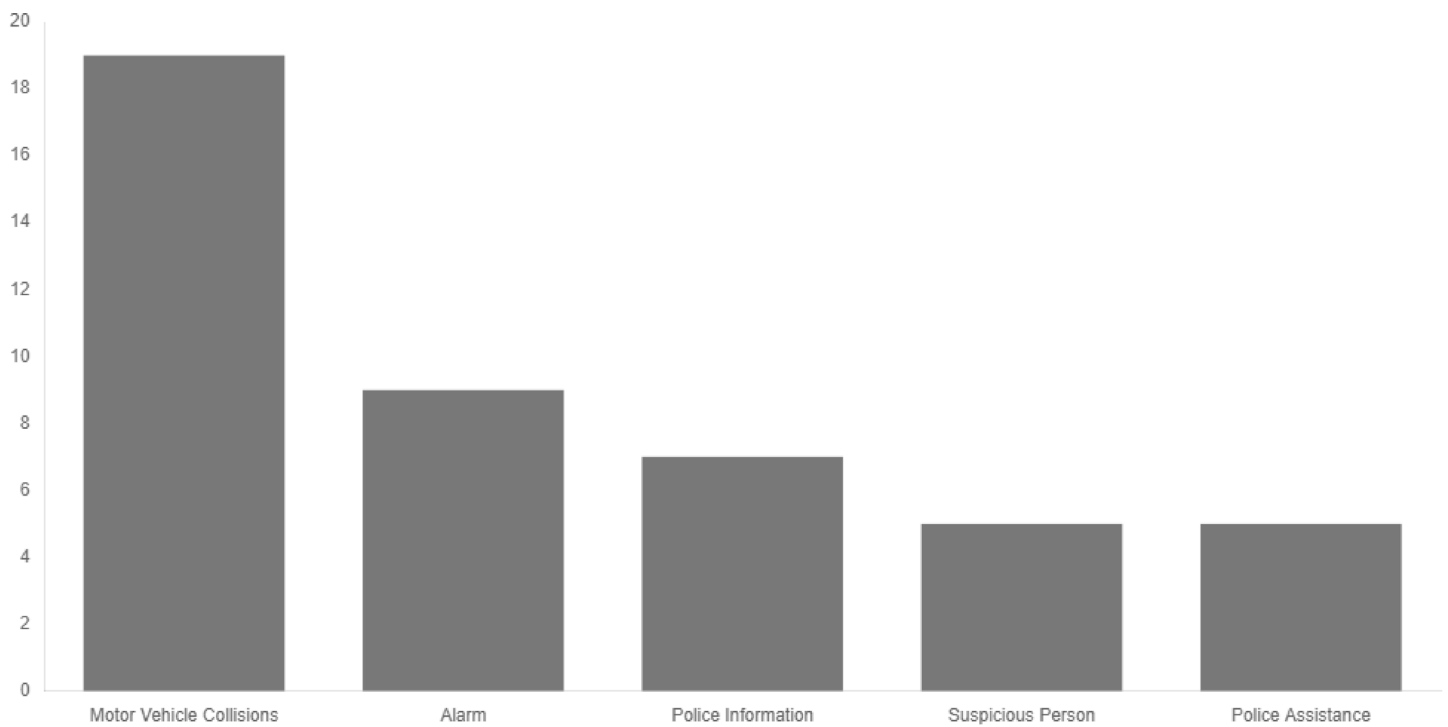
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Frivolous/Vexatious	1	1	2
NFA (No Further Action)	14	15	4
Informal Discipline	0	0	0
Informal Resolution	3	5	8
Not Dealt With Under Section 59 P.S.A.	1	0	3
Withdrawn	0	2	1
Hearing	1	0	0
Pending	0	3	1

### Total Incidents

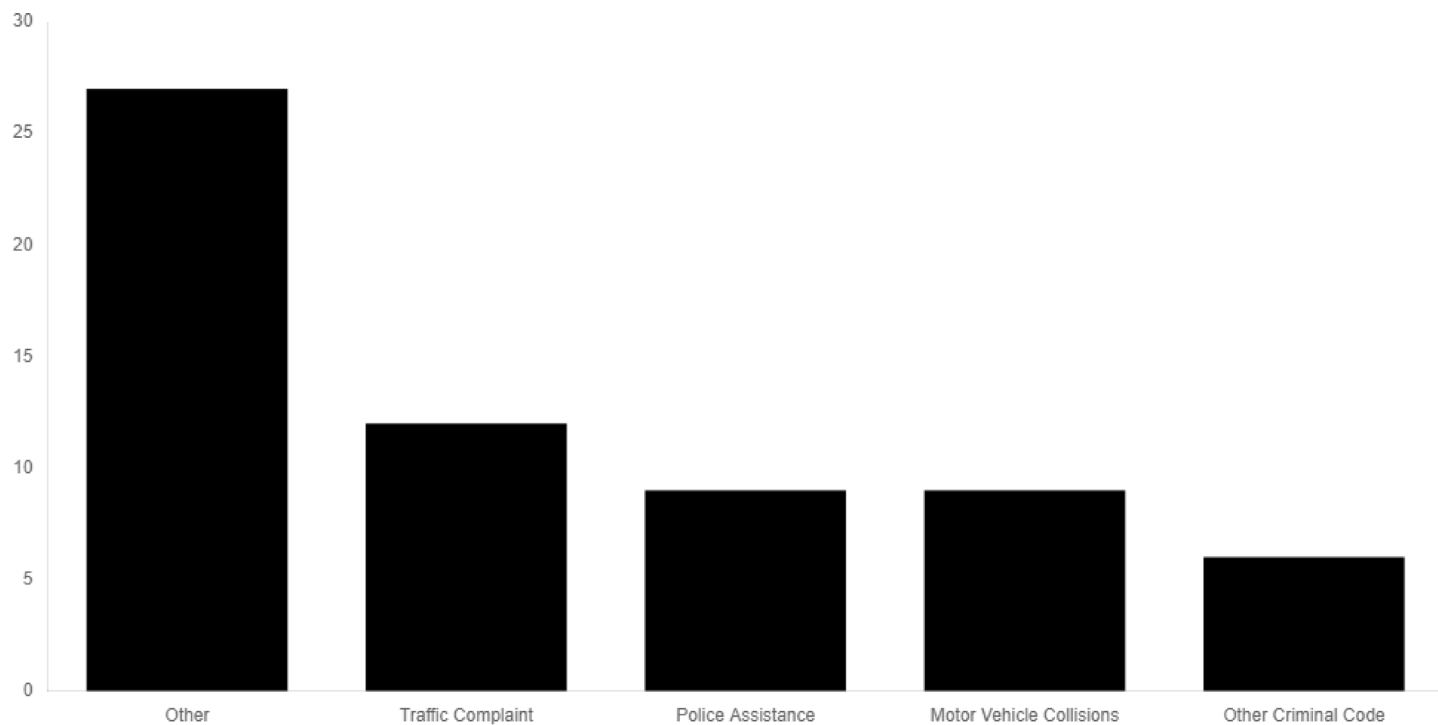


Incidents	
2017	119
2018	90
2019	67

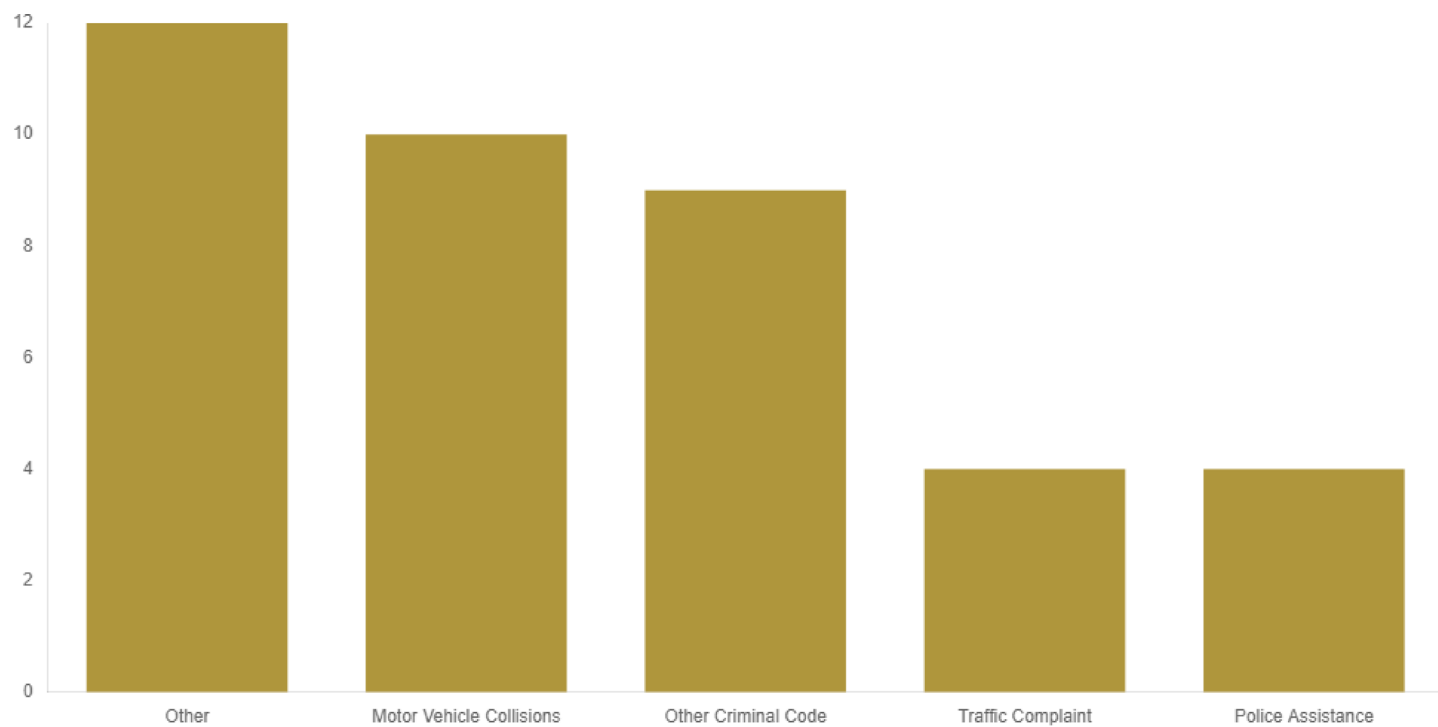
### Prince Township – Top Five Calls 2017



## Prince Township – Top Five Calls 2018



## Prince Township – Top Five Calls 2019

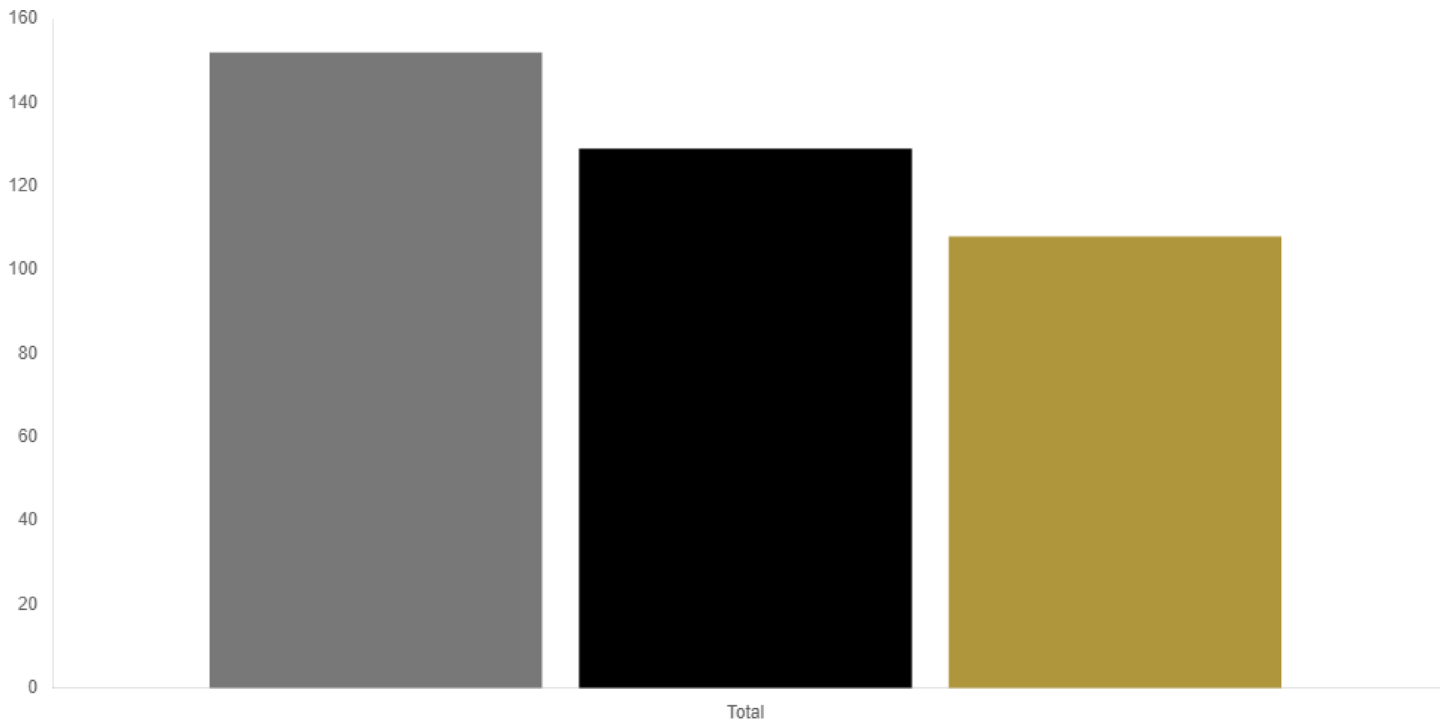




## Crime Stoppers

	2017	2018	2019
Arrests	98	80	58
Cases Cleared	88	88	57
Charges Laid	246	202	149
Property Recovered	\$77,733	\$15,200	\$31,640
Drugs Seized	\$266,875	\$14,000	\$165,500
Tipster Calls	1791	1405	1309

## 184 YCJA Diversion Program

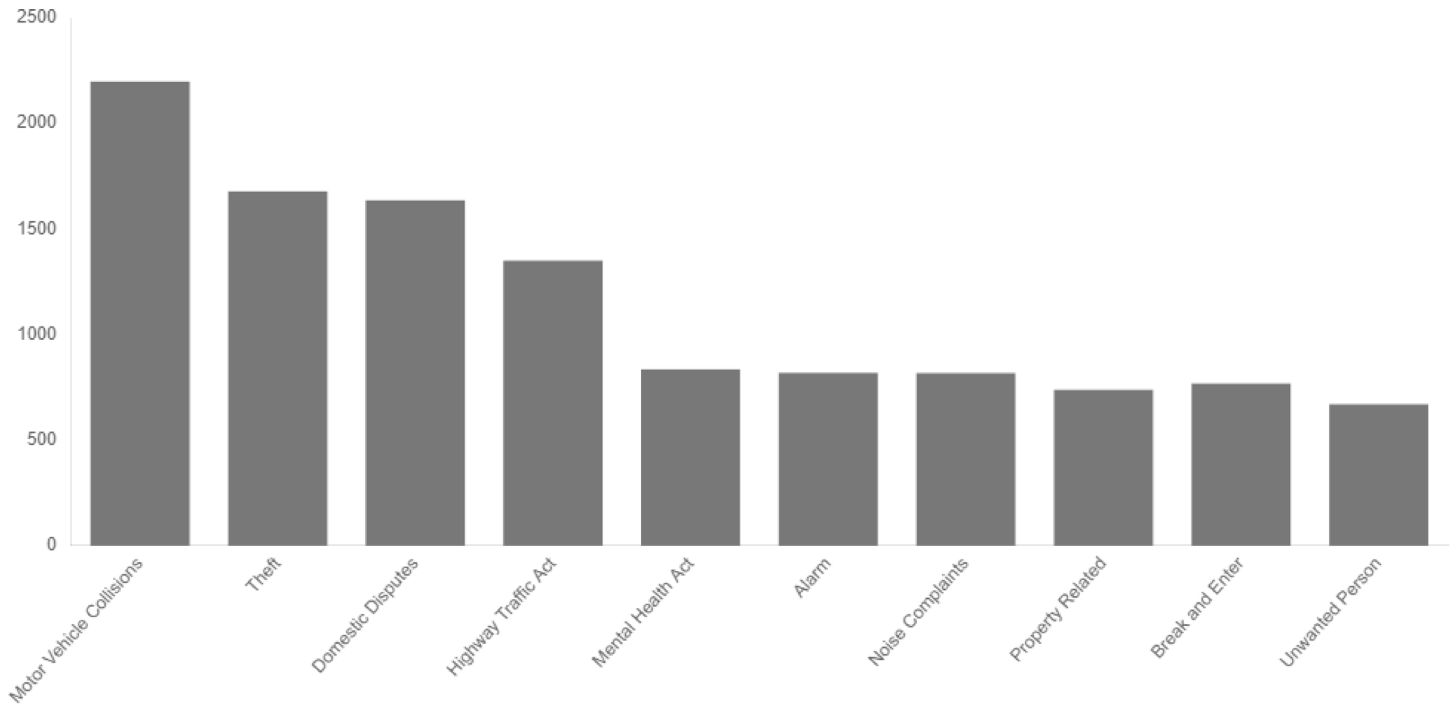




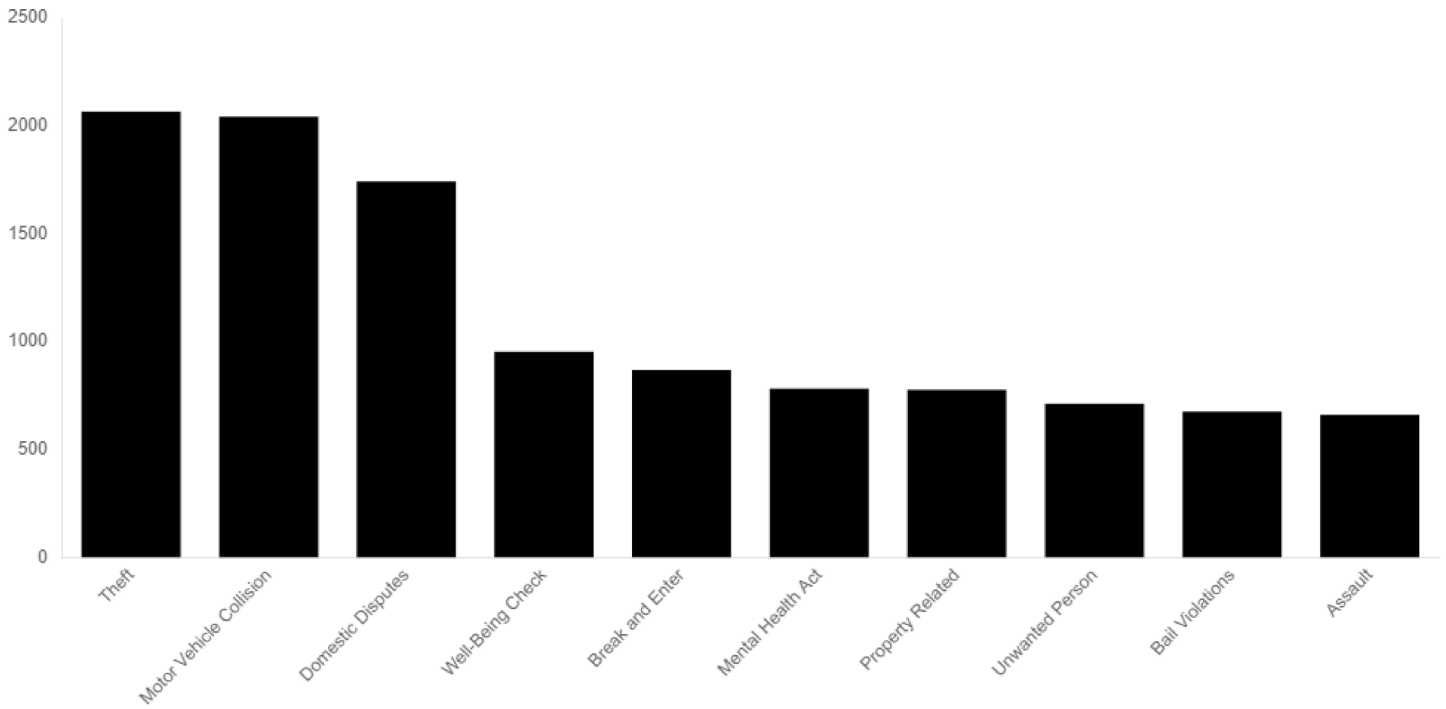
# 📞 Calls For Service

The below numbers represent our Top 10 calls for service where the violation (criminal or non-criminal) is the most serious in a single occurrence.

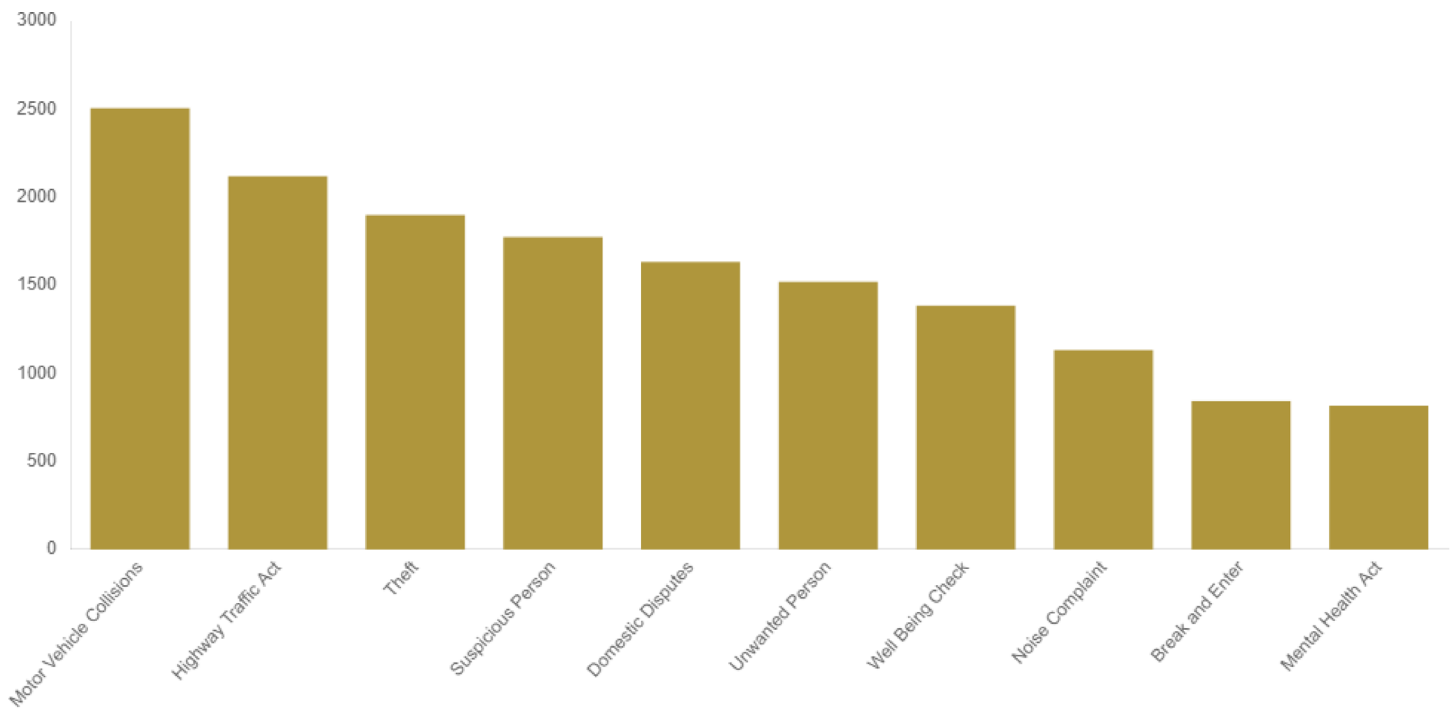
## Calls For Service 2017



## Calls For Service 2018



## Calls For Service 2019

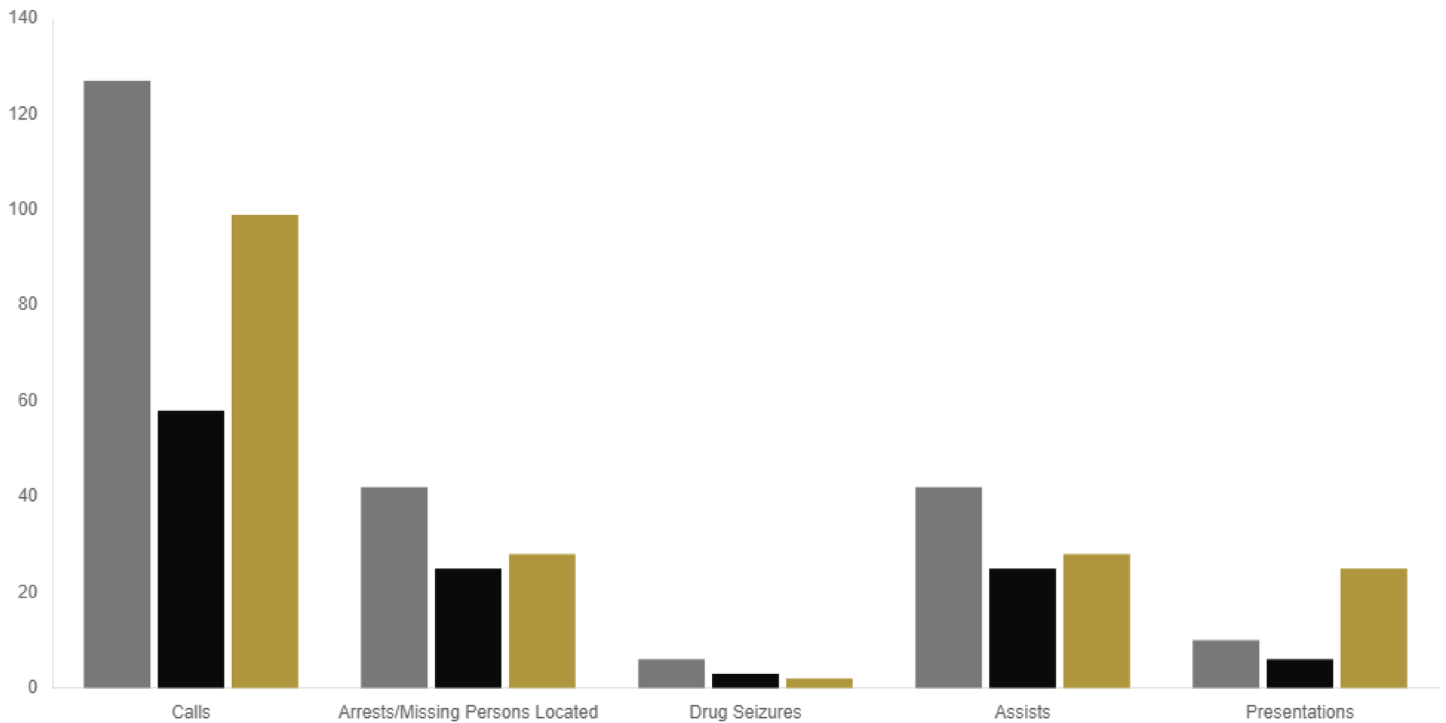


## Domestic Violence

	2017	2018	2019
Domestic Dispute Occurrences	1,637	1,742	1,632
Total Number of Males Charged	249	294	225
Total Number of Females Charged	60	57	43

## Canine Unit

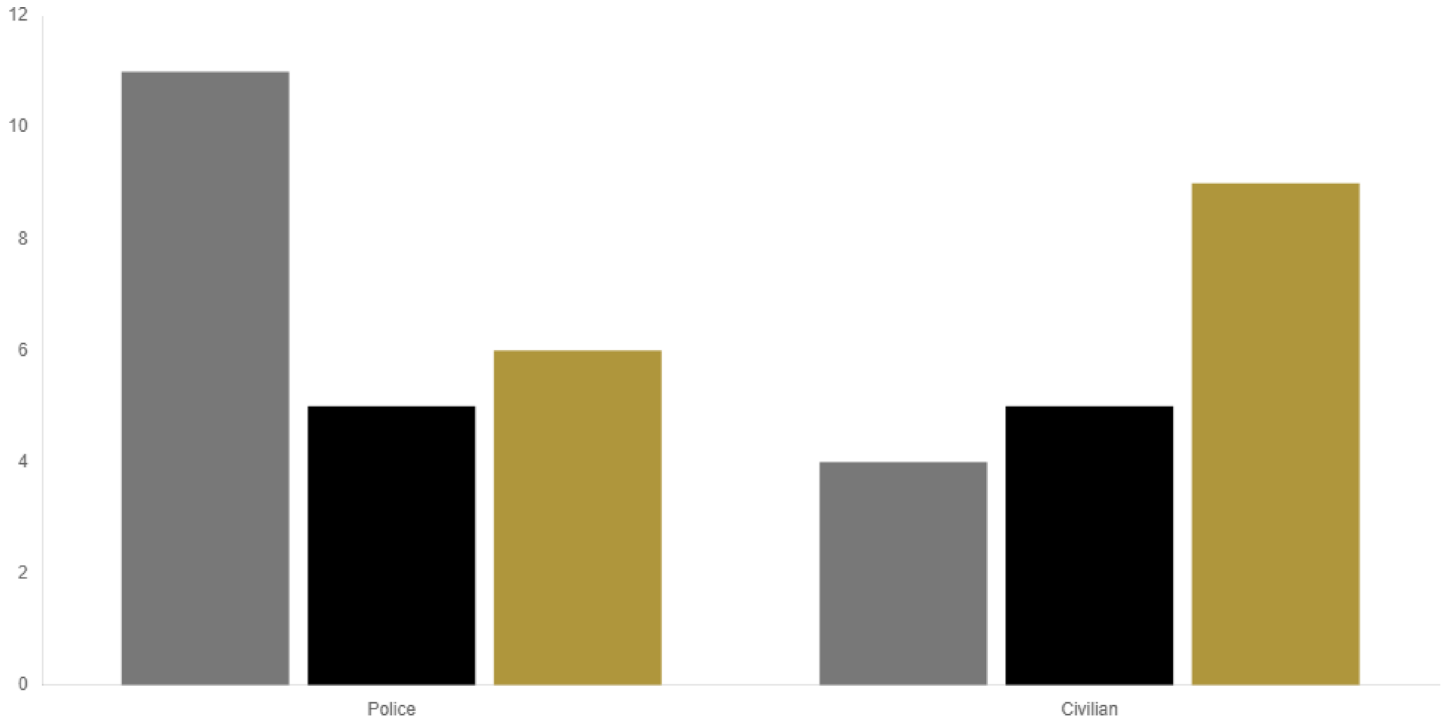
In 2018, the Canine Officer was away training the new Police Service Dog (PSD), Hektor, and in 2019, both PSD Justice and PSD Hektor were used for calls.





# Hires, Promotions, and Awards

## New Hires



## Promotions



Inspector



Staff Sergeant



Sergeant

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	1
2018	1
2019	1

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	4
2018	1
2019	3

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	5
2018	3
2019	4

## Awards



30 Years Bar



20 Years Bar



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25 Years City Service



25 Years Civilian

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	5
2018	5
2019	5

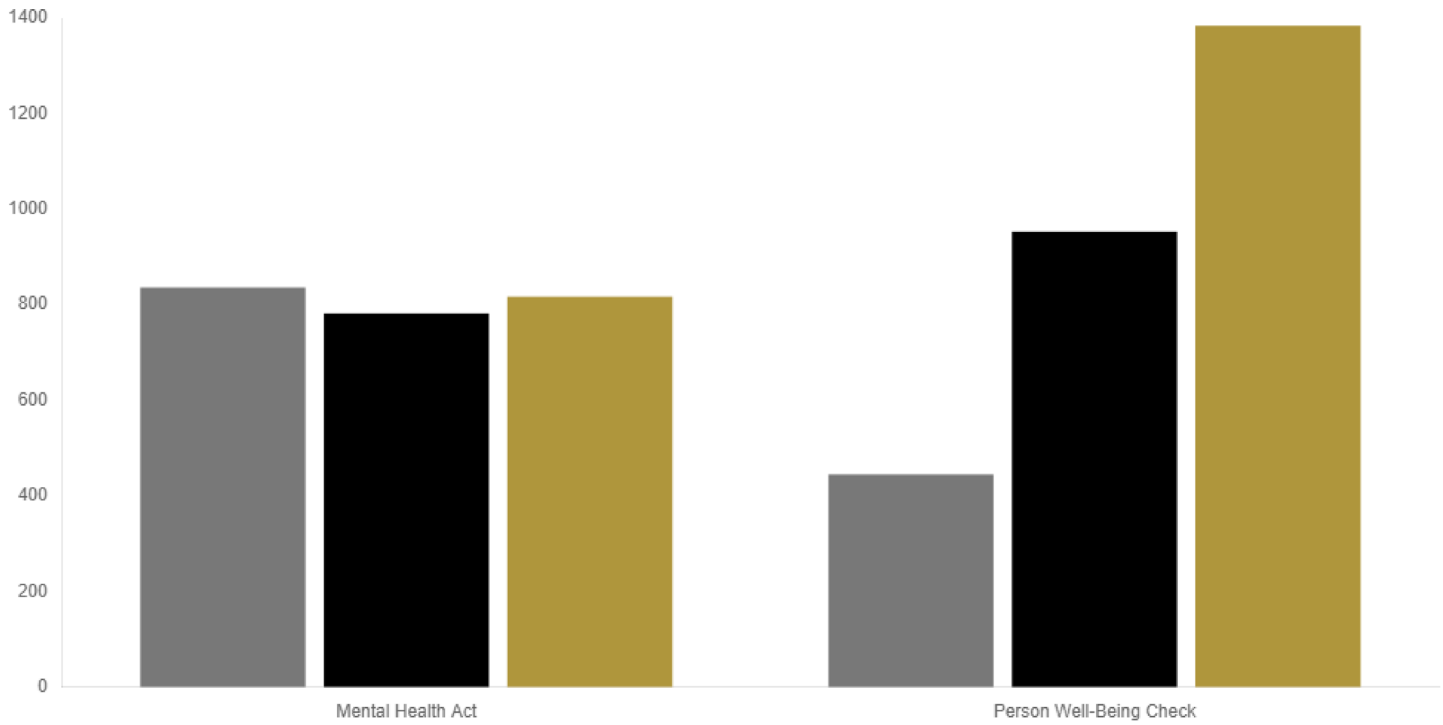
YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	1
2018	2
2019	5

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	5
2018	3
2019	1

YEAR	AMOUNT
2017	1
2018	2
2019	1



# Mental Health



<b>Occurrences</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Mental Health Act	836	782	817
Person Well-Being Check	445	953	1384
Total	1,281	1,735	2,201
Apprehensions	390	432	356
MCRRT % Total*	25.15%	23.49%	23.92%

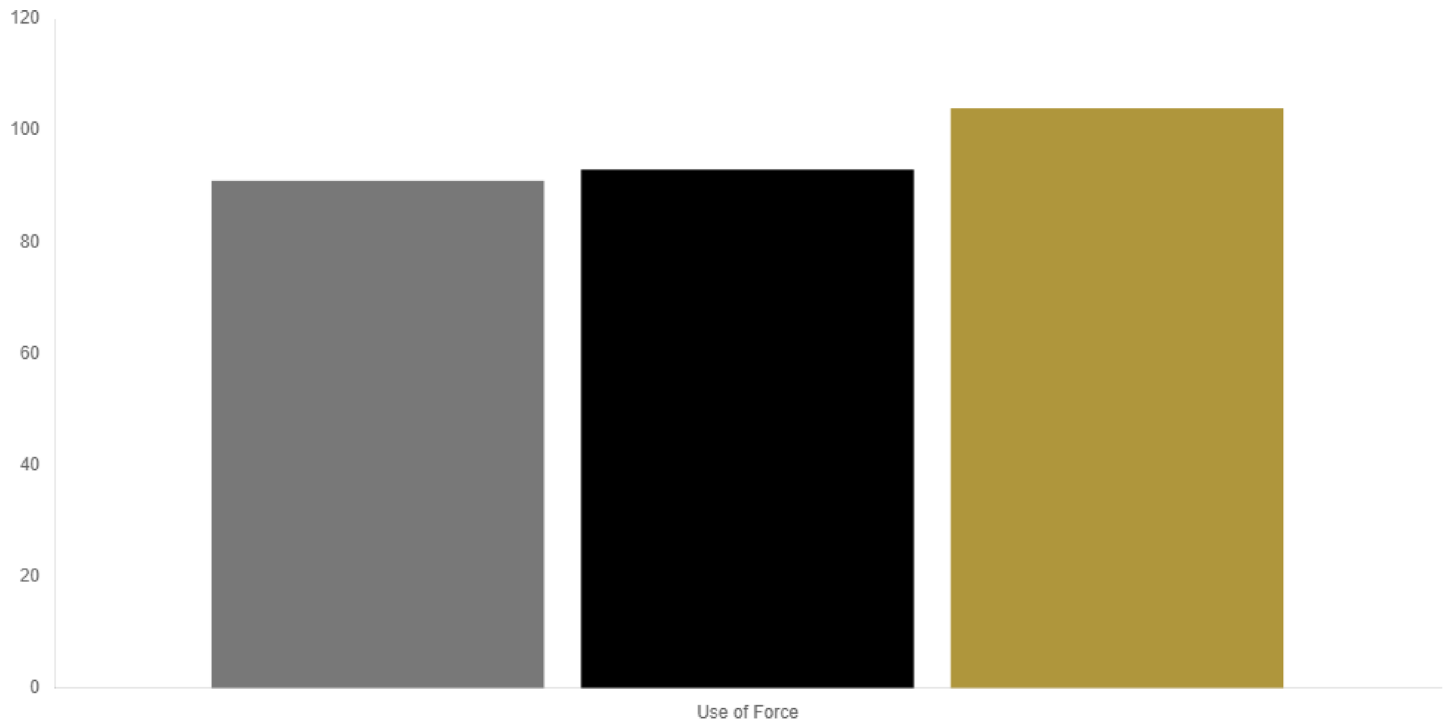
\*The percentages of the calls that the Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team (MCRRT) took are for reportable Mental Health Act and Person Well-Being Check occurrences only.





## Use of Force

The total number of Use of Force Reports does not equal the total number of occurrences where force was used.



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## Crime Stats

The below numbers represent only the most serious criminal violation in a single occurrence.

## Crimes of Violence

	2017	2018	2019	% Change from Previous Year
Assault	640	661	699	5.7%
Sexual Assault	90	106	96	-10.3%
Abduction	0	1	0	-100.0%
Homicide	1	2	1	-50.0%
Attempt Murder	0	0	2	Infinite
Robbery	61	64	48	-25.0%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0.0%
Offensive Weapons	27	32	39	21.9%
Total	819	867	885	2.1%

**Crimes of Property**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>% Change from Previous Year</b>
Break & Enter Total	678	870	843	-3.1%
- Business	136	154	154	0.0%
- Residence	507	668	615	-7.9%
- Other	35	47	74	57.4%
--- Attempt Break & Enter**	14	55	59	7.3%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	130	152	202	32.9%
--- Attempt Theft of Vehicle**	4	11	10	-9.1%
Theft	1,679	2,067	1,899	-8.1%
Mischief	437	534	580	8.6%
Have Stolen Goods	54	59	44	-25.4%
Fraud	596	605	504	-16.7%
Gaming/Betting	0	0	0	0.0%
Other CCC	719	793	858	8.2%
Total	4,293	5,080	4,930	-3.0%

\*\*Totals included in primary classification

**Drugs**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>% Change from Previous Year</b>
Heroin	10	10	12	20.0%
Cocaine	18	22	19	-13.6%
Other Drugs	20	6	13	116.7%
Cannabis	30	0	3	Infinite
Crystal Meth	18	14	22	57.1%
Ecstasy	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	96	52	69	32.7%

**Total Crimes**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>% Change from Previous Year</b>
Total Crimes	5,208	5,999	5,884	-1.9%

**Other Stats**

The below numbers represent any occurrence where these non-criminal classifications have been captured. These classifications may not be the most serious violation on the occurrence, therefore, these may be included under one of the above criminal violations in our crime statistics.

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>% Change from Previous Year</b>
Domestic Disputes*	1,637	1,742	1,632	-6.3%
Mental Health Act*	836	782	817	4.5%
Motor Vehicle Collisions*	2,199	2,043	2,505	22.6%

\*Portions may be contained in other Criminal Offences

Domestic Violence, Mental Health Act and Motor Vehicle Collisions not included in Total Crimes

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