

**WRANGELL POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2011**

On behalf of the members of the Wrangell Police Department and Correctional Facility it is my pleasure to present you with our 2011 annual report. As in the past this report highlights only a small portion of the services the department provides to the community on a daily basis.

As one reviews this document, they will find reports from within the department, comparison graphs, reported crimes and activity data.

This will provide an overview of the Departments accomplishments and activities during the past year.

I am very thankful to the dedicated employees of the Wrangell Police Department who have committed themselves this past year to quality law enforcement. Our employees are our number one assets and they are constantly striving for continuous improvement. Without their dedication and loyalty to Wrangell, and their professionalism the Departments successes this past year could not have occurred. I am also very grateful for the support received by the Wrangell Police Department from the City Manager and the City Council. Public Safety is now and has always been a priority with this city and they have consistently provided us with the personnel and resources necessary to accomplish our vital mission. Thank you for the honor of serving as your police chief.

If in this reports brief nature I have failed to address any areas which you would like further information please contact me I will be happy to provide you with any additional information you desire.



Doug McCloskey

Chief of Police

# **COMMAND STAFF**

**Doug McCloskey**

Chief of Police

**Merlin Ehlers**

Lieutenant / Investigations

**Sergeant Bruce Smith**

Patrol Supervisor

**Sergeant Thecla Lalonde**

Corrections Supervisor

**Marilyn McComas**

Administrative Assisant

# Patrol Unit

Sgt. Bruce Smith

Officers

Rick Groshong, Terry Courson

James Nelson, Joe Paul

The Patrol Division of the Wrangell Police Department is staffed by five well trained personnel who are first responders to citizens' calls for assistance. Currently there are several patrol shifts providing a variety of services to the community 24 hours a day.

In addition to providing traditional law enforcement services, the patrol shifts focus on interacting with members of the community to discuss problem-solving techniques. The Police Department has been very successful in this endeavor by providing countless presentations, to local groups schools, and organizations. Not only does this provide us an opportunity to keep the community informed, it also helps us to keep pace with the ever-changing needs of the community.

Department personnel are guided by the principals of community policing. Community Policing is not a program, it is a philosophy of policing. We believe that policing the community should be a team effort between the Citizens and their Police Department. By partnering to identify and address problems as they arise, we become more effective.

Constant communication between the residents and their police is vital if community policing is to be successful. It is our belief that communications prompts commitment, commitment builds trust and trust encourages teamwork. Because of this belief we are able to openly discuss residents concerns and find appropriate ways to address them.

During 2011 the police department responded to 2627 calls for service and filed 154 criminal cases.

# Corrections / Dispatch Unit

Sgt. Thecla Lalonde  
Juanita Courson, Karen Lockabe ,  
Debora Moliter, Karen Benedict

The Correctional / Dispatch staff operate the correctional facility and provide emergency and routine dispatch services 365 days a year 24 hour per day.

During 2011 the Wrangell Correctional Center held 184 prisoners who served 1870 man days. 38 of the inmates were female and 146 were male. No juveniles were held in the facility however two were held outside the facility in accordance with our non-secure juvenile holding grant.

All of the correctional officers except Karen Lockabe our newest corrections officer, have completed the required Department of Corrections training. All Correctional staff currently meets or exceeds D.O.C. Standards of training

One area of concern is with the current E911 system is that as of January 2012 the company that provided the system will no longer provide support for the current system. The obsolete portion of the system is the part that provides the information on where the call originates from. The current system cost was about \$95,000 I have not yet been able to come up with a price on an equivalent system.

## Department of Motor Vehicles

Marilyn McComas, Dorthea Rooney

During the 2011 year the Wrangell DMV completed 2298 licenses registrations and other documentation for the state of Alaska DMV this activity generated \$67,379.00 of revenue for the state an \$33,653.90 for the Wrangell Borough. We have in addition to our previous services, also started offering Haz Mat fingerprinting and CDL road testing.

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Wrangell Youth Court Dorthea Rooney

The goal of the Wrangell Youth Court program is to promote public safety by encouraging accountability for acts of juvenile delinquency. The WYC will provide the opportunity to help address the teens crimes at the beginning of the continuum, providing for a timely and appropriate response to nonviolent first and second time offenders, thus reducing the likelihood of their penetrating further into the juvenile justice system.

The WYC had only four cases in 2011.

### a. Strategies for Service Delivery

The WYC is composed of three peer judges that determine the sentencing requirements for the respondent. The respondent is usually given community service hours, an essay, fee to enter WYC, letter of apology when appropriate, restitution when needed, and any other creative sentencing ideas mandated by the tribunal. WYC receives cases from the Wrangell Trial Court, Wrangell Police Department and parents. This year we have had several referrals from Jan East Juvenile Probation Officer.

### b. Target Population and Service Area

Service delivery will target youth 18 and under in the Wrangell Borough, and the delivery of services will involve youth 18 and younger in developing and implementing the youth court.

During 2011 Wrangell Youth Court has retained eight active members. The members take part in community activities such as the Wrangell Health Fair and Wrangell's Annual Bike Rodeo.

In 2011 Wrangell Youth Court processed four cases and put on three mock trials. The Wrangell Youth Director, Dorthea Rooney traveled to Juneau for the UYCA Director's annual meeting.

# Grants

## Wrangell Police Department Annual Report: 2011 Grants

### E911 Funding

I am currently seeking funding to replace the equipment that supplies the location data to the dispatch center. The funding for these systems has become much sparser in the Past few years.

### Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) \$7,500

The Wrangell Police Department met all of the requirements of the Emergency Management Performance Grant. This grant supports 50/50 with the City of Wrangell by non-federal hard match funds by including the Chief of Police Wages as manager.

A full scale exercise with DOT EMS and Fire department was held during May. The exercise scenario involved a commercial aircraft breaking up at the end of the runway with casualties on the beach and in the water.

## CRIME TRENDS

2007-2011

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Statistics for 2011

These are presented in graph format for ease of comparison.

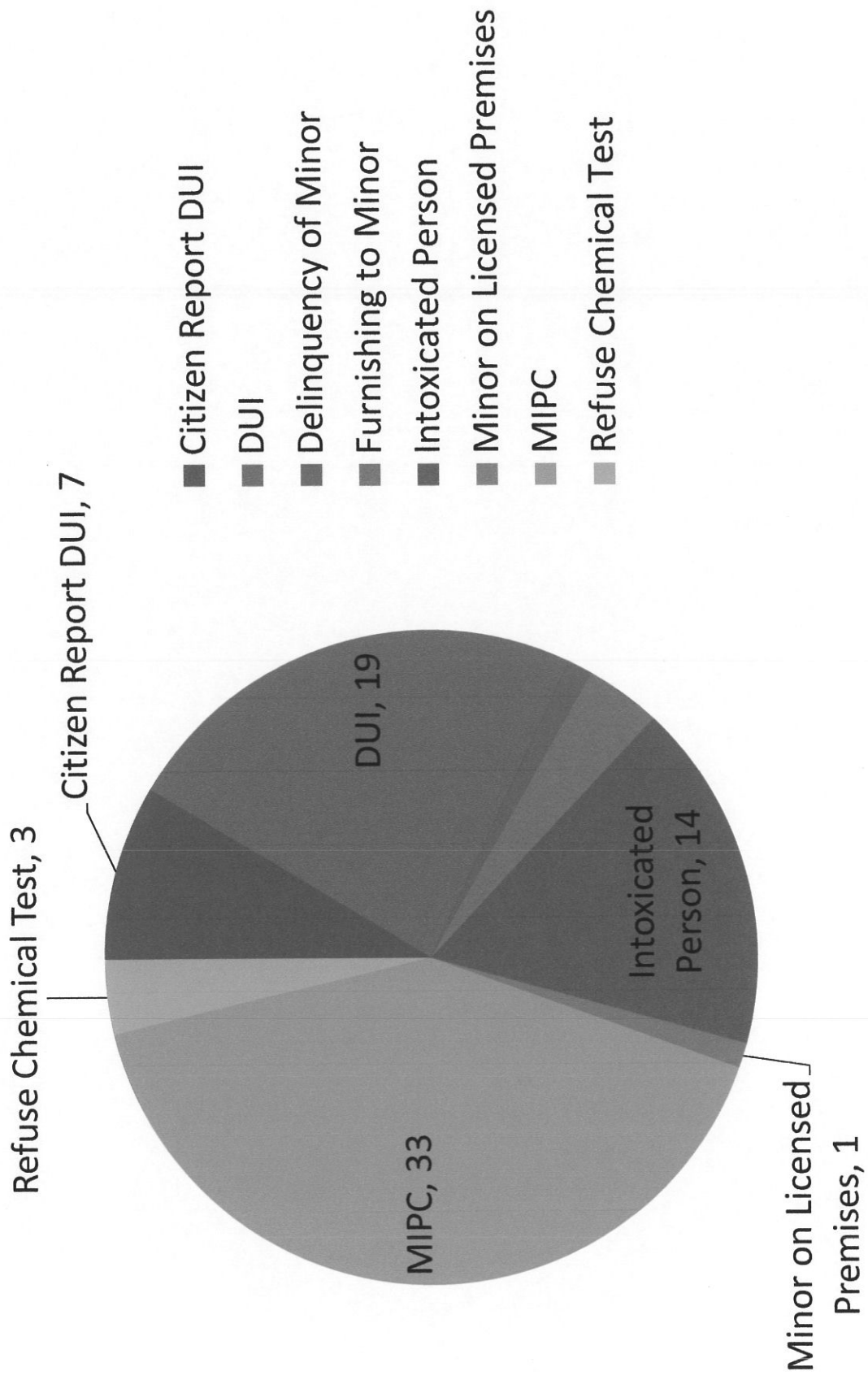
Year End 2011 Stats			
<b>ALCOHOL OFFENSES</b>			<b>ANIMAL VIOLATIONS</b>
Citizen Report DWI	7	Animal Citations	28
DWI	19	Bear Complaints	1
Contributing to Delinquency of Minor	1	Bird Complaints	7
Furnishing Alcohol to Minor	3	Cat Complaints	6
Intoxicated Person	14	Cruelty to Animals	
Minor on Licensed Premises	1	Dog Complaints	156
MIPC	33	Dog Bites	3
Refuse Chemical Test	2	Other Animal Complaints	19
<b>CRIMES AGAINST PERSON</b>			<b>CITY OFFENSES</b>
Assault non-family-strong-arm		Curfew Violation	11
Assault I	1	Fireworks Prohibited	10
Assault 2		Littering	3
Assault 3	1	Truancy	1
Assault 4	39		
Assault with Weapon	1	<b>MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES</b>	
Child In Need	12		
Indecent Exposure		Conditions of Release Violation	29
Misconduct Involving Weapons	5	DVO Violation	
Sexual Abuse of Minor	2	MISC 3	
Sexual Assault	6	MISC 4	1
Sexual Harassment		MISC 6	12
Suicide Threat	2	Minor with Tobacco	2
Stalking		Probation Revocation	
		Probation Violation	34
<b>CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY</b>			
		Restraining Order Violation	
		SOR Violation	1
Arson			
Attempted Theft		<b>OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER</b>	
Burglary	6		
Criminal Trespass	31	Discharge Firearms	2
Forgery		Disturbance	69
Fraud	8	Disorderly Conduct	7
Larceny from Business		Domestic Disturbance	47
Larceny from Others	40	Failure to Obey Police Officer	
Larceny from Residence	17	Fight	6
Malicious Mischief	22	Harassment	54
Malicious Mischief Business	6	Interfering with Arrest	
Malicious Mischief Private Property	3	Interfering with Report of Crime	1
Theft of Services		Loitering	
Theft from Watercraft		Peeping Tom	
Vehicle Theft	8	Report of Gunshots	2
		Resisting Arrest	
		Soliciting	
		Vagrancy	



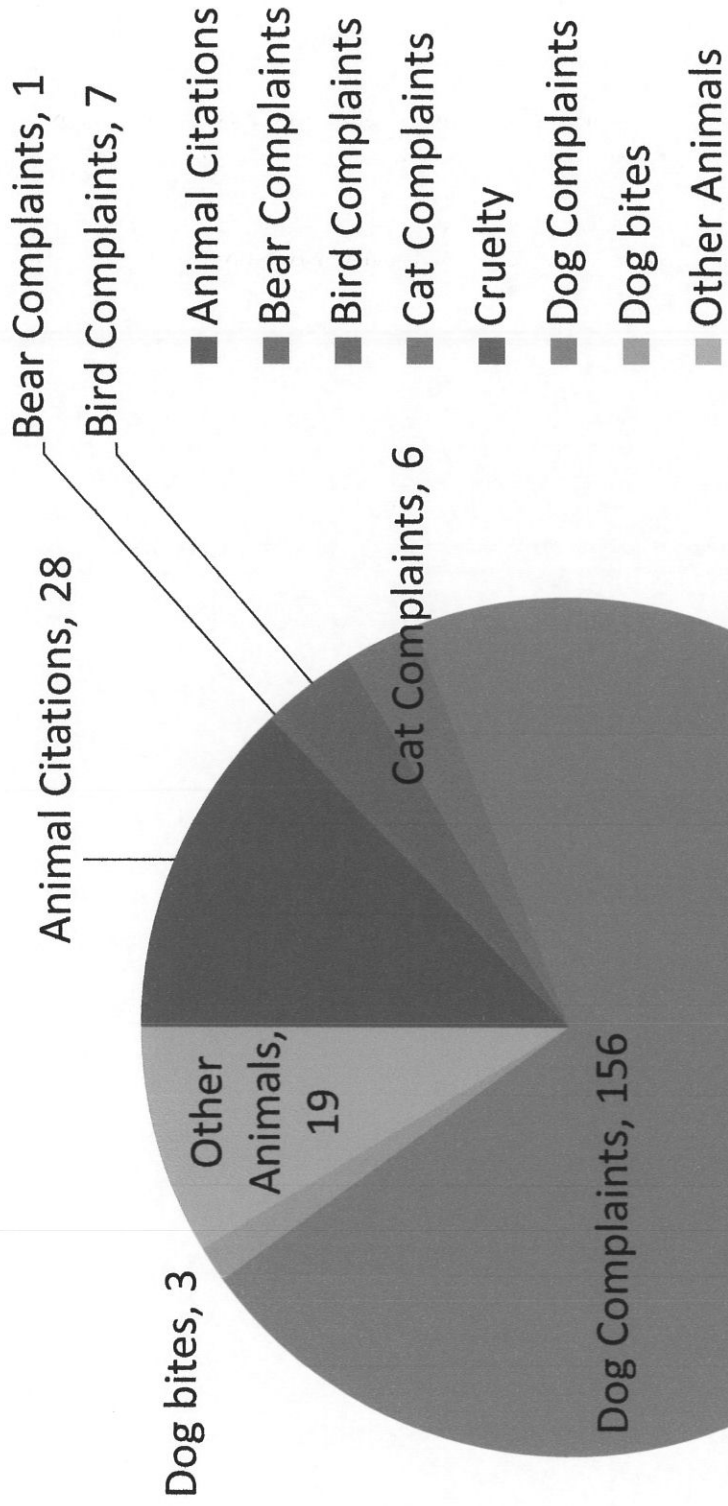
<b>Year End 2011 Stats Page 2</b>			
<b>TRAFFIC OFFENSES</b>			
Abandoned Vehicle	9	Funeral Escort	
Citation Equipment/Registration	47	Health & Safety	8
Citation License Violations	19	Illegal Entry	
Citation Parking	26	Inmate Booking	178
Citation Speeding	2	Inmate Incident	3
Complaint ATV	3	Juvenile Contacts	24
Complaint Parking	67	Lost Property	26
Complaint Reckless Driving	27	Miscellaneous Paper Service	14
Complaint Speeding	3	Missing Person	9
Failure to Yield to Pedestrian		911 Wrong Number/No One There	136
Failure to Yield to School Bus	3	NFS Checks	
Hit & Run	8	Order to Show Cause	2
Traffic Accident/Fatal		Officer Injury	
Traffic Accident/Injury	1	Oversized Load Permit	
Traffic Accident/No Injury	15	Prisoner Transport	
Traffic Accident/Property Damage	2	Possible Fugitive	
Traffic Hazard	25	Probation Referral (juvenile)	
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	1	Prowler Report	
Vehicle Impound		Reckless Endangerment	
Verbal Warning	198	Recovered Firearm	
		Runaway	1
<b>MISCELLANOUS ENTRIES</b>			
		Search Warrant	4
		Security Check	4
Agency Assist	363	SOR Registration	
Arrest Warrant (other Agency's)	5	Shoplifting	
Background Check		Subpoena Service	374
Bench Warrant (our Agency)	16	Summons Service	80
Brady Law		Suspicious Circumstance	73
Burglar Alarm		Stolen Property	
Citizen Assist	165	Title 47	11
Civil Matter	44	Unattended Death	4
Controlled Burn		Unsecured Premises	16
Courtesy Transport	71	Vacation Check	12
Dance Permit	1	Watercraft Accident	
Death Investigation		Welfare Check	42
Death Notification	1		
DMV Items Issued	100386.50	2073	<b>UCR INFO</b>
DVO Service	8		
Drug Information	17	Physical Arrests	116
Drug Interdiction		Theft \$ Amount	10996
86'd Letter	3	Vehicle Theft \$ Amount	
EDP	3		
Extra Patrol		<b>JUVENILE INFO</b>	
Fire	2	Arrests	4
Found Property	57	Contacts	4
		Crime	
		Traffic Stops or Citations	20



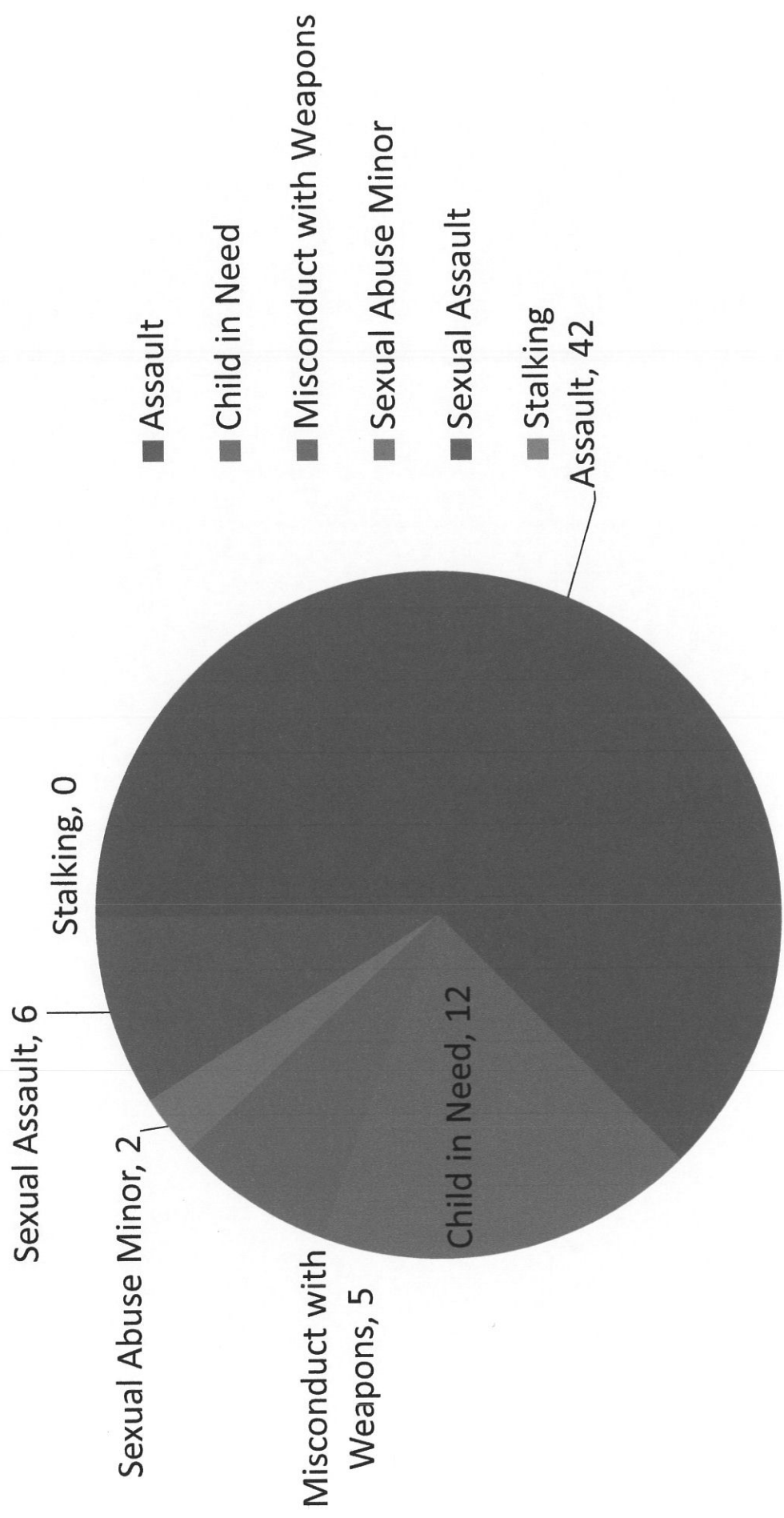
# Alcohol Offenses 2011



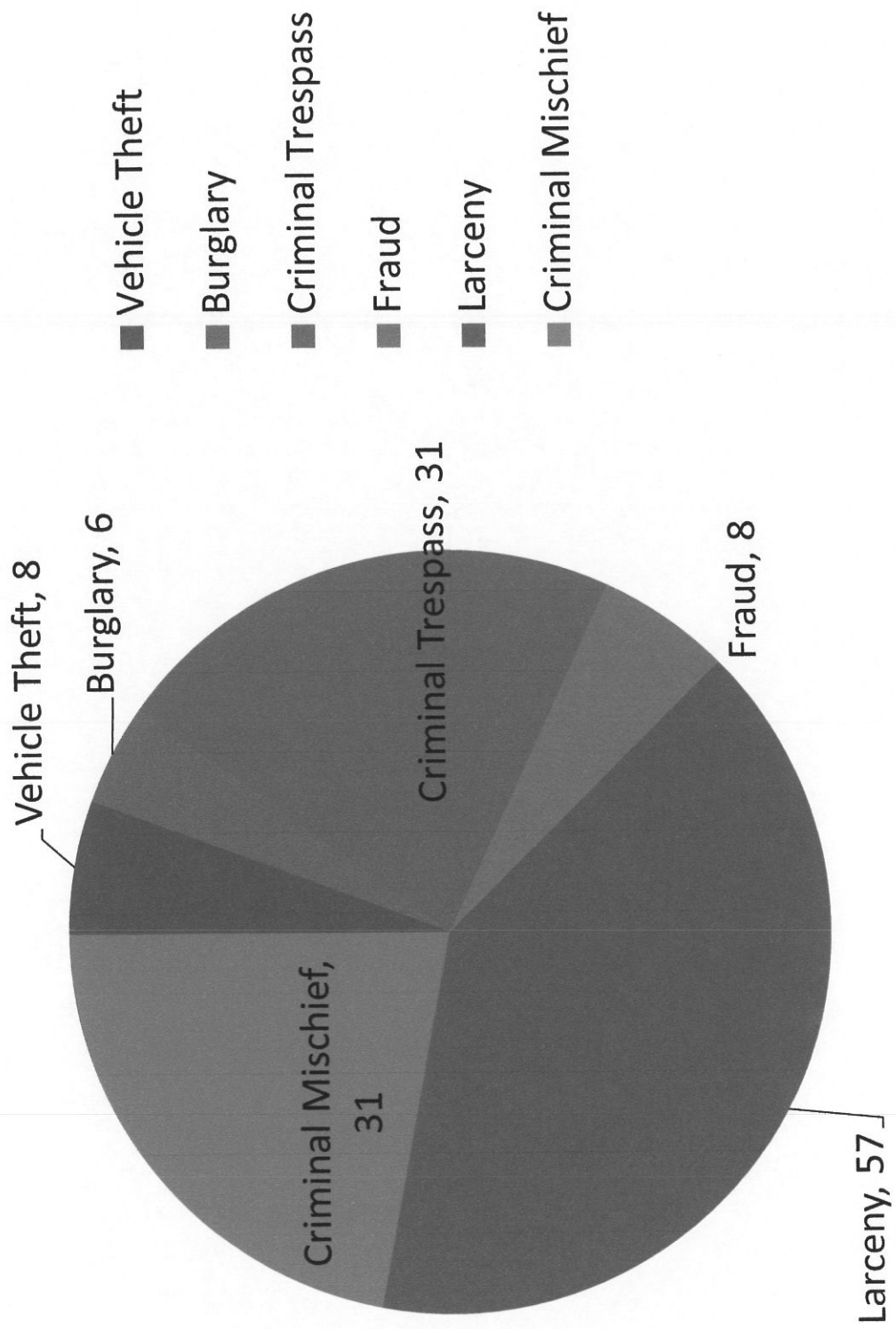
# Animal Violations 2011



# Crimes Against Person 2011

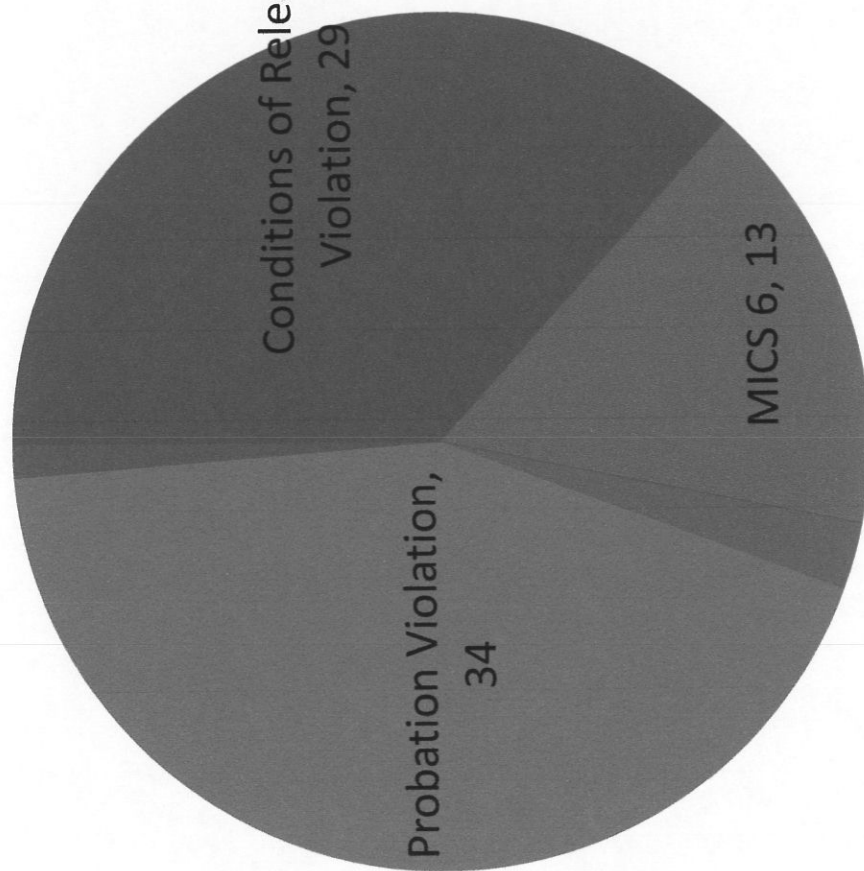


# Crimes Against Property 2011



# Miscellaneous Offenses 2011

SOR Violation, 1



■ Conditions of Release Violation

■ MICS 6

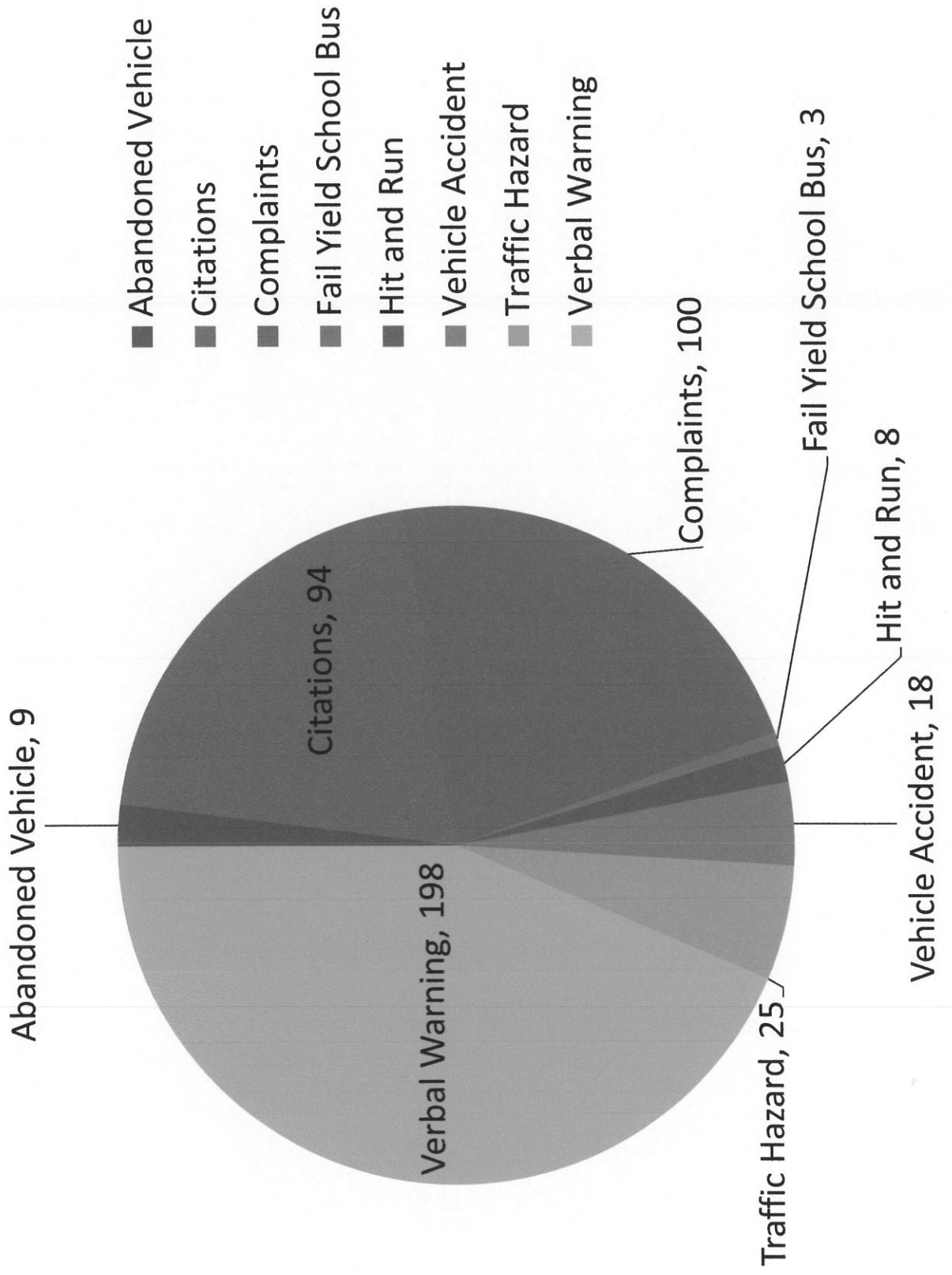
■ Minor with Tobacco

■ Probation Violation

■ SOR Violation

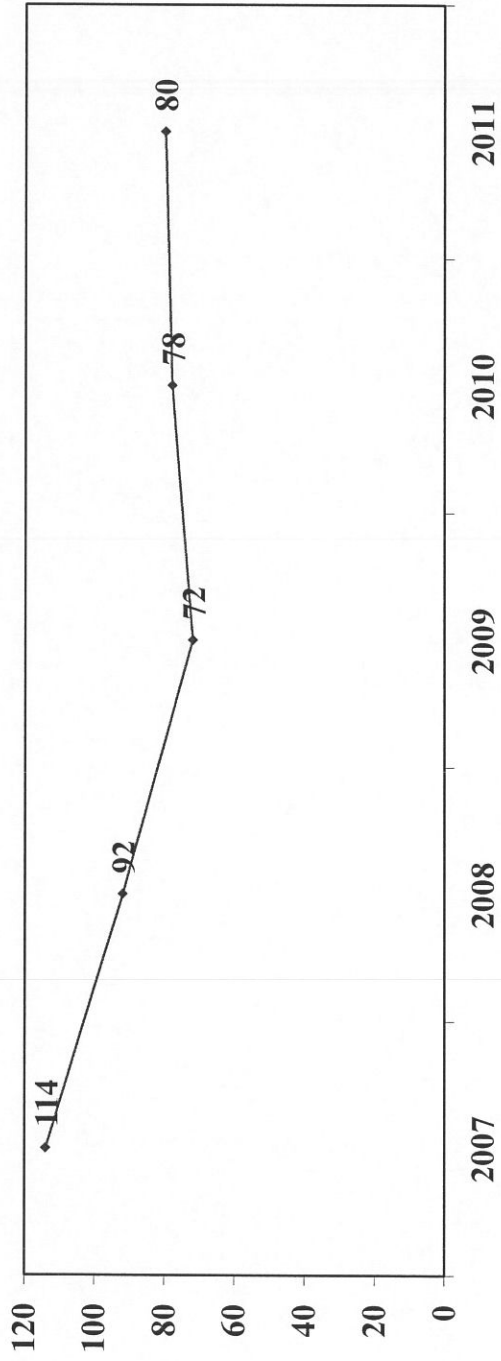
Minor with Tobacco, 2

# Traffic 2011



# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011

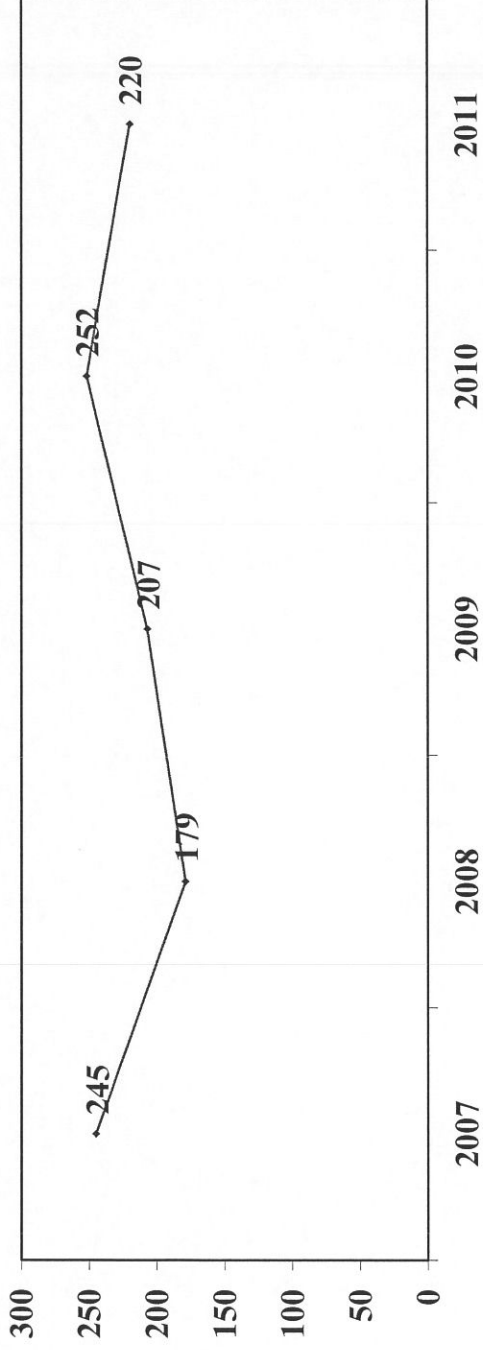
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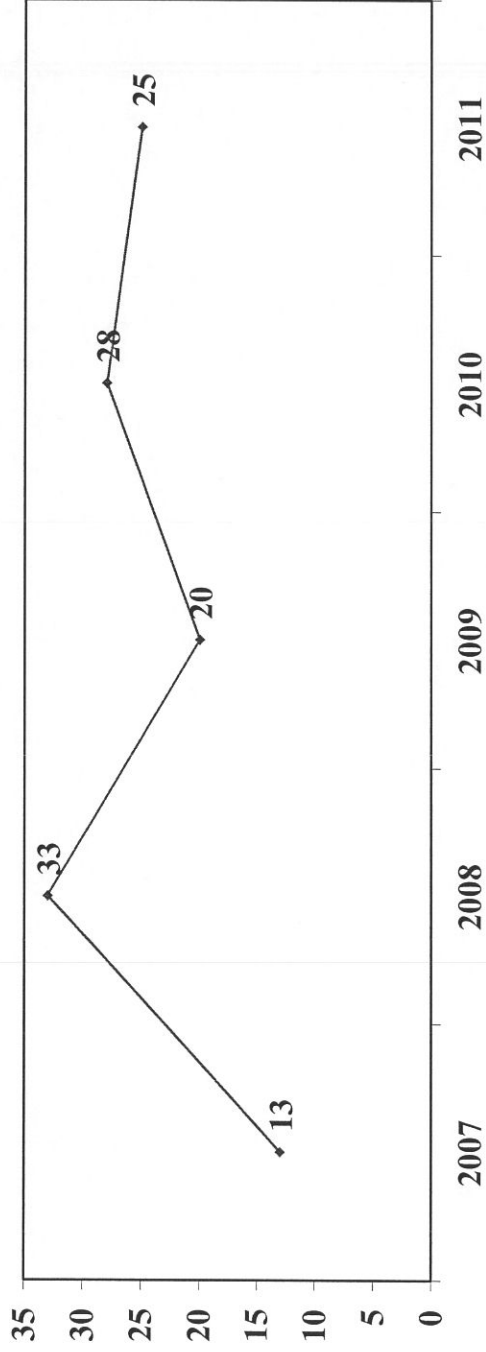


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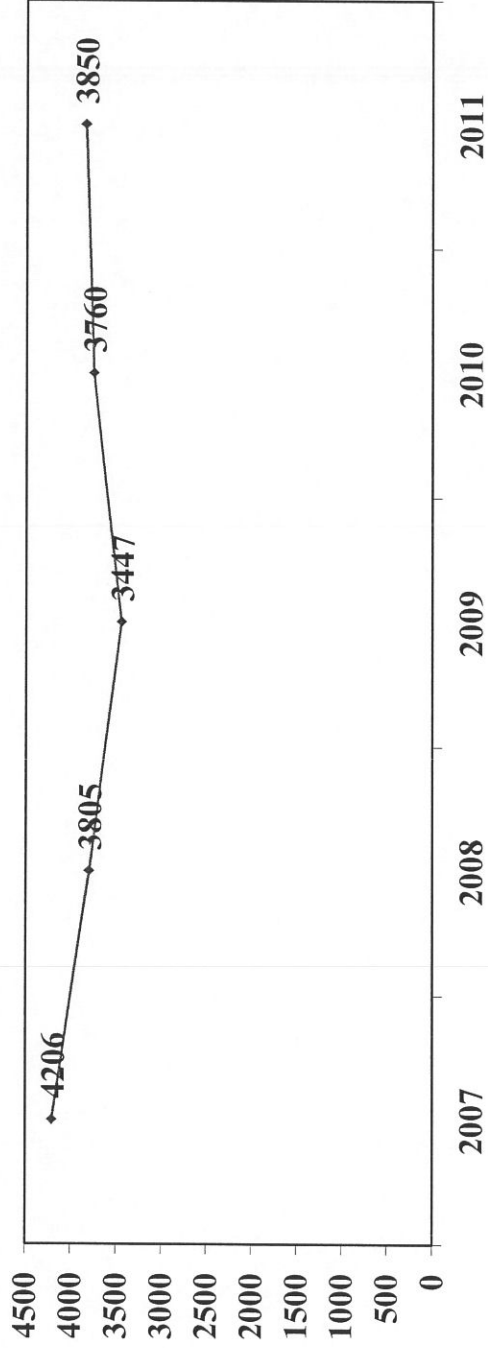
## Animals



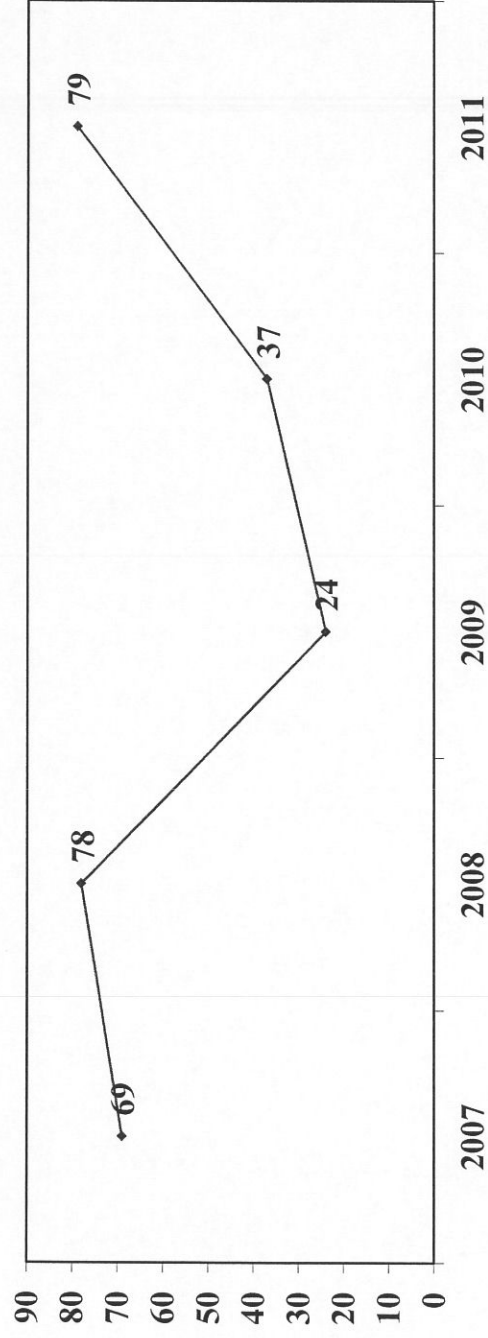
# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011 City Violations



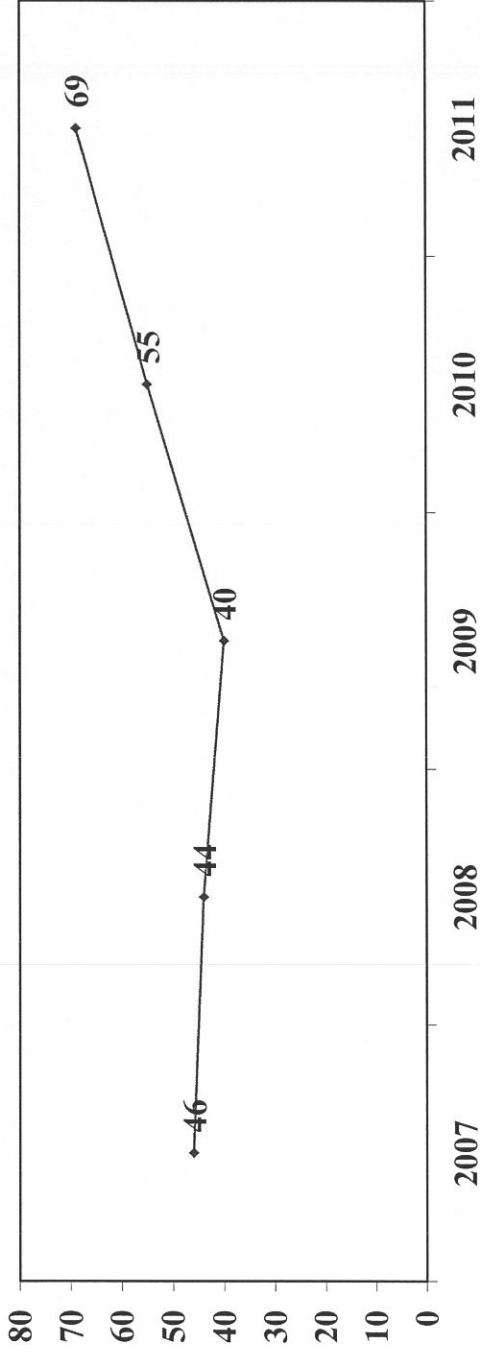
# Five Year Comparison 2006-2010 Miscellaneous Activity



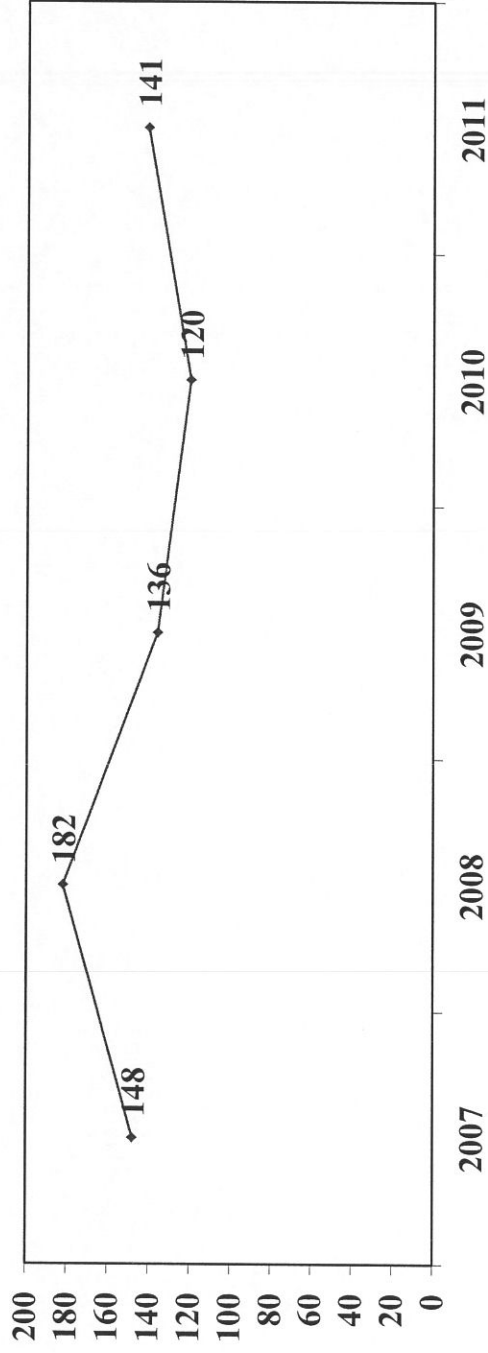
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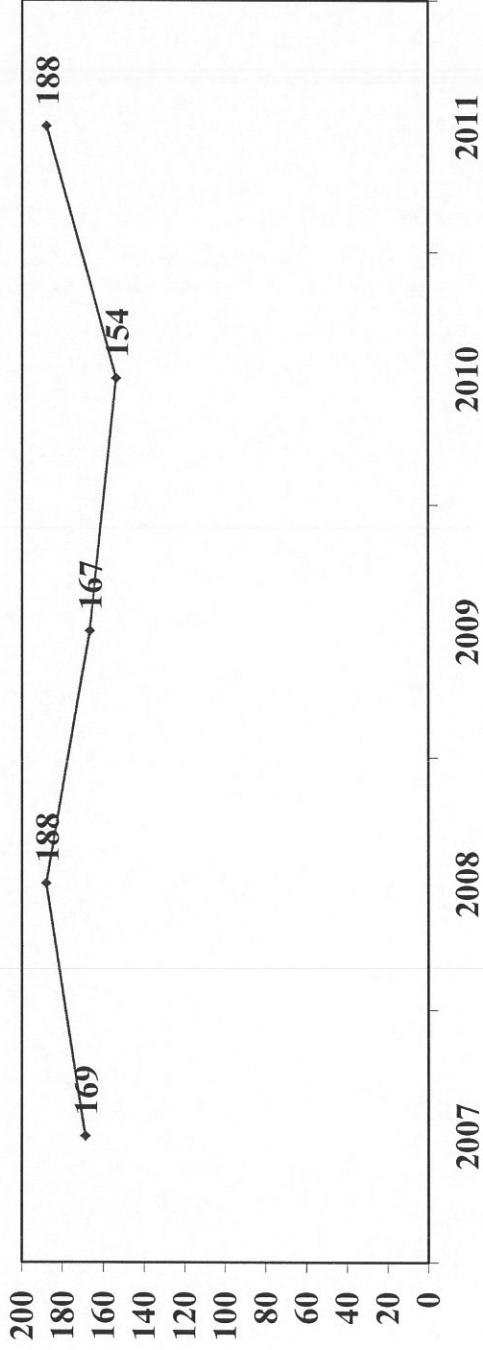
# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011 Crimes Against Person



# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011 Crimes Against Property



# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011 Public Order Offenses





# Five Year Comparison 2007-2011 Traffic

