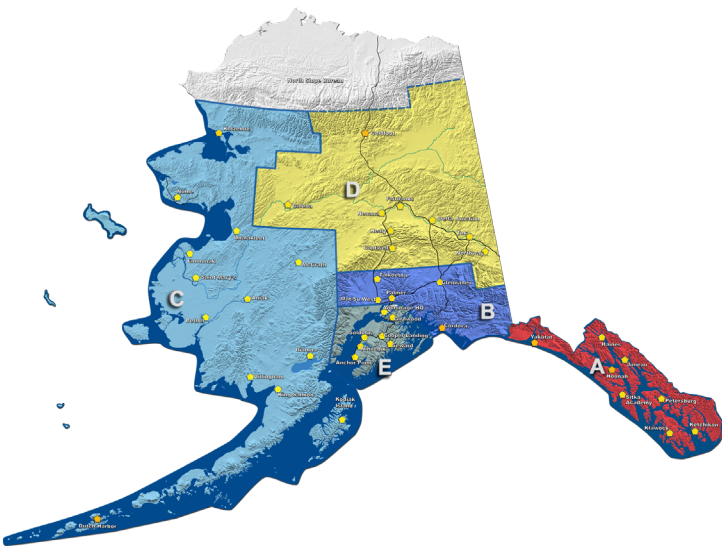
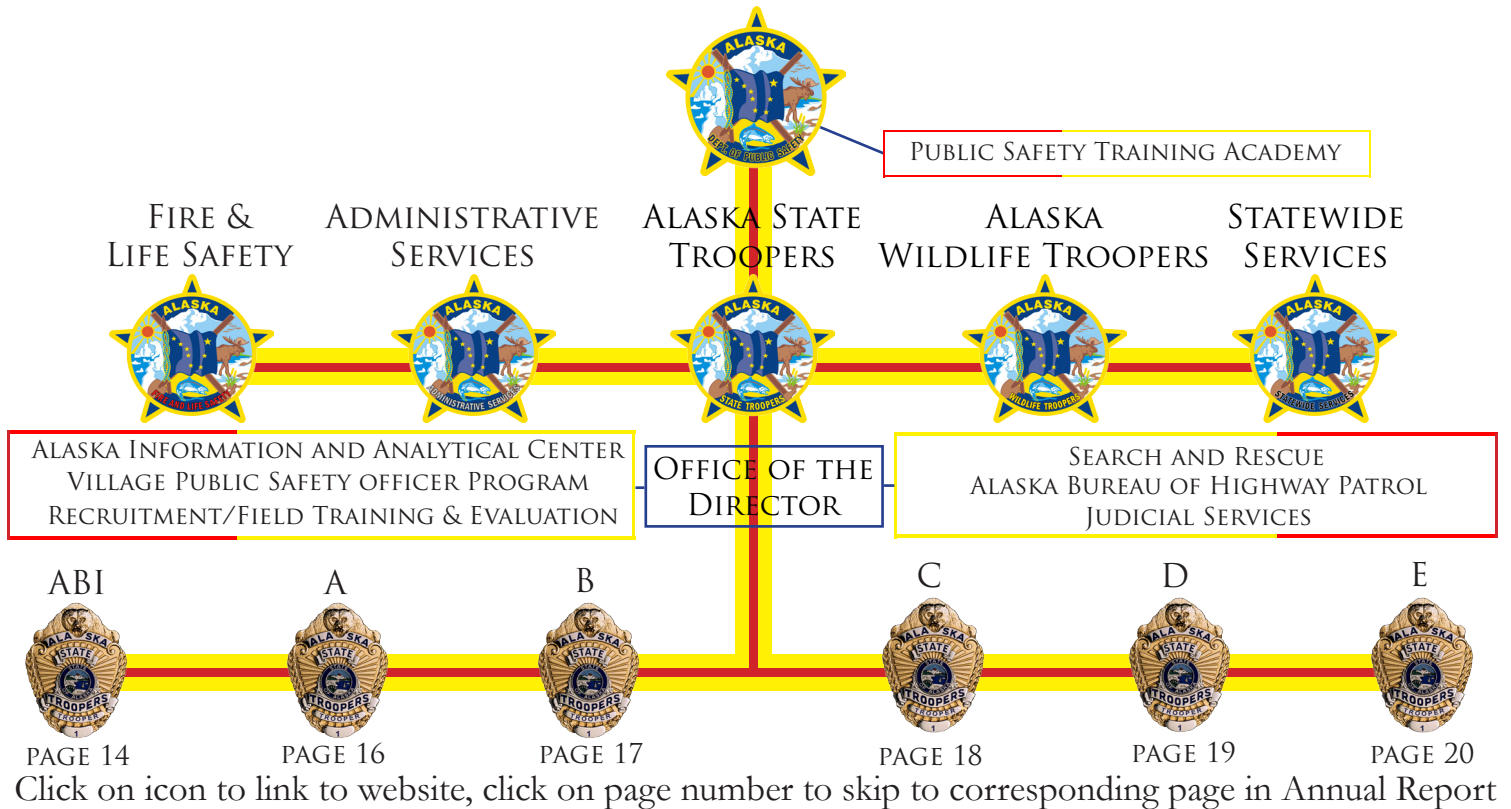


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## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The intended purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the accomplishments and challenges the Division of Alaska State Troopers faced in 2011. We made noteworthy progress in both continued and emerging projects – all working toward overcoming the same challenge of making the Alaska State Troopers more effective and more efficient in serving and protecting the people in Alaska.

In early 2011, we began work on identifying ways to address this goal. The first project identified was to reconfigure the operational command structure of the division. Our objective was to consolidate redundant command positions, thus empowering the local detachment commander to deploy local resources in a timely, more effective manner while maintaining the overall mission responsibilities. This involved moving both the Bureau of Judicial Services and the Bureau of Highway Patrol back under local detachment commanders for the day-to-day supervision of operations, while keeping the grant management piece centralized with other financial responsibilities within the AST Director's Office. Second was to take an aggressive approach towards the implementation of technology in order to create efficiencies within all our administrative and operational processes. There were three technology projects that took tremendous steps forward in 2011 – the Alaska Report Management System (ARMS), the Alaska Information and Analysis Center (AKIAC), and the Traffic and Criminal Software (TraCS) implementation project.

**Alaska Records Management System –** In June 2010, the Department of Public Safety signed a contract with Niche Technology Inc. to provide and support an electronic records management and field reporting system. This system, identified as ARMS, is a monumental step toward harnessing advancements in technologies and paperless reporting systems that will provide efficiencies and effectiveness for public safety services statewide. In 2011, the ARMS development group added an analyst/programmer to the team. This critical position has been instrumental in working with Niche developers and the other extraordinary technical

staff of the department's Division of Statewide Services, enabling ARMS to operate seamlessly with existing technologies and ensuring disaster recovery for the system. In addition, both commissioned and non-commissioned staff from nearly every division of the Department of Public Safety have contributed countless hours of data entry, solution-based problem solving and critical thinking, and collaboration. Near the end of 2011, Niche delivered the final software and the development team quickly began devising a plan to provide ARMS training to nearly 745 department employees who will use the records management system. The training will commence in mid-January 2012 and will continue through the fall. The user training does not mark the end of the ARMS implementation; continual enhancements and the inclusion of other police organizations are expected. ARMS will represent a fundamental change in the way police services are recorded and documented in Alaska. We're very excited at the prospect of working with our law enforcement partners statewide in a collaborative and synergistic environment, providing services Alaskans and visitors alike expect and deserve.



**Director**  
**Col. Keith Mallard**

**Traffic and Criminal Software –** In 2011, we continued our phased roll out of placing computers into the patrol cars programed with TraCS software. All patrol vehicles in our three main training detachments (B, D, and E), through the TraCS software backbone, are automatically pushing electronic citations into the Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN) and onto the Alaska Court System's database. This has increased the efficiency of the citation process tremendously, reducing the requirement for administrative staff to conduct duplicate data entries within both DPS and the Alaska Court System. This also allows for potentially quicker resolution of traffic citations by enabling Alaskans to pay citations online as soon as it is pushed into the court system database. In addition, through partnerships with the Department of Transportation &

Public Facilities and the Department of Administration, we have continued to provide instruction on the use of TraCS to 12 municipal law enforcement agencies around the state. This has allowed the Soldotna and Palmer police departments to push electronic citations in the same manner as AST, and has given the other 10 police departments the ability to ultimately move in that direction.

**Alaska Information and Analysis Center –** In September 2009, Gov. Sean Parnell designated the AKIAC as Alaska's fusion center. Similar to fusion centers elsewhere in the nation, AKIAC is a collection and dissemination point for information that needs to be shared between public safety, government, and private entities in the overlying effort of increasing public and infrastructure protection. Prior to 2011, the AKIAC remained more as a concept than an actual functioning information center. In 2011, the AKIAC made significant progress towards being an instrumental part of protecting Alaska against internal and external threats. With the addition of personnel through partnerships with other law enforcement agencies, the AKIAC is now comprised of a commissioned Alaska State Trooper lieutenant; a DPS specially commissioned employee that works as the Critical Infrastructure Key Resource (CIKR) liaison to the Alaska Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management; a DPS civilian criminal justice technician; and two federal partner agency employees. The partner agencies are the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Western States Information Network (WSIN). The AKIAC looks for trends or threats around the world that may affect Alaska, and notifies the proper entities in state of this information in an effort to help direct assets and minimize threats to public safety. The AKIAC also receives information from Alaska-based public safety entities and provides it to the proper organizations that have a need to know and right to know given information in an effort to provide public safety or infrastructure protection to their areas of responsibility.

**Social Media –** However, sharing information with our law enforcement partners is not our only targeted audience. In an era of instant messaging and electronic media, the division has also been looking into ways

## ALASKA INFORMATION AND ANALYTICAL CENTER



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to get our message out to the public faster in order to remain informative and relevant. One method that has proven effective is the use of social media. In 2011, the department started developing a plan and policies to best utilize social media avenues in the upcoming year.

The job of the Alaska State Troopers, both singularly and as an organization, is to provide public safety to people in Alaska. Eliminating some of the more duplicative steps in the process and improving gathering and disseminating information between agencies and to the public helps in this endeavor. This year's accomplishments pave the way to even more achievements in the future.





**Commander  
Lt. Jim Helgoe**

### ALASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

The Public Safety Training Academy is considered the premier law enforcement training academy in the state for basic law enforcement training. With few exceptions, municipal law enforcement agencies send their police recruits to the academy. The basic 15-week Alaska Law Enforcement Training (ALET) includes more than 900 hours of training. Like most years, there were two ALET sessions in 2011.

#### ALET NO. 11-01

Feb. 20-June 2

✪ Alaska State Troopers	4
✪ Alaska Wildlife Troopers	2
✪ Deputy Fire Marshal	1
✪ Municipal Police Officers	3
Total attendees:	10

#### ALET NO. 11-02

July 31-Nov. 10

✪ Alaska State Troopers	7
✪ Alaska Wildlife Troopers	3
✪ Park Ranger	1
✪ Municipal Police Officers	7
Total attendees:	18

### LATERAL HIRES

Lateral hires are current or former police officers that already hold a police certification from another state. In most cases, they do not require attending another full academy, but attend a seven-week lateral academy in Sitka. Four weeks of this training coincides with the regular ALET session followed by the three weeks of the trooper-specific training with other trooper recruits as required following graduation from the academy. Three recruits went through this training Oct. 19-Nov. 10.

### TROOPER BASIC

After graduation from the ALET course, the Alaska

State Trooper and Alaska Wildlife Trooper recruits continue their training at the academy for an additional three weeks. Six troopers successfully completed trooper basic in June and 13 more completed the training in December.

### VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER PROGRAM

The academy conducts one 10-week training session a year for VPSOs. On occasion, a Village Police Officer working for a tribal or village government will also attend this academy. In January 2011, 22 VPSOs started the annual academy with 20 graduating on March 11.

### IN-SERVICE TRAINING SESSIONS

In addition, the academy conducts in-service training to commissioned DPS members. The in-service training for veteran troopers is five days long and runs on a 2-1/2 year cycle, giving troopers a 2-1/2 year window to go through the in-service on a set of topics. Subjects taught are based on feedback provided by commanders in the field and are tailored to enhance and refresh skills as well as teach new regulations, policies, and laws. There were nine in-service training sessions on ethics, use of force, emergency vehicle operations, defensive tactics, and scenarios in 2011. The scenarios are mock calls and traffic stops where academy staff role play with troopers in simulated events to allow the in-service trooper to use their training and experience to handle the scenario. The trooper is then critiqued on how they performed during the scenarios.

✪ Jan. 13 - Feb. 4	13
✪ Feb. 7-11	12
✪ Feb. 14-18	15
✪ April 12-16	20
✪ April 18-22	13
✪ April 25-29	13
✪ Sept. 19-23	4
✪ Sept. 26-30	6
✪ Oct. 3-7	10
Total attendees in 2011:	106

### ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL RECERTIFICATION

Jan. 10-21

This recertification is for former law enforcement officers rejoining the police ranks in different

departments throughout the state.

✪ Municipal Police Officers	13
✪ Airport Officers	1
✪ DPS Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Investigators	4
Total attendees:	18

## REMINGTON & COLT ARMORER May 2-6, 2011

This is an academy course to teach law enforcement officers how to fix patrol rifles and shotguns.

✪ Municipal Police Officers	1
✪ Airport Officers	3
✪ Crime Lab Employees	2
✪ U.S. Fish & Wildlife Officers	1
✪ ABI Investigators	3
✪ DPS Academy Staff	3
✪ Alaska State Troopers	9
✪ Alaska Wildlife Troopers	5
Total attendees:	27

## ALASKA MARINE SAFETY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION May 2-6, 2011

Once or twice a year, the academy hosts a course on marine safety for law enforcement officers and civilians who work in a variety of positions across the state. Several academy staff members are certified AMSEA instructors because of the survival instruction provided during other training sessions.



**Cadets Felisha Orsborn and Brandon Nelson douse a fire during apprentice firefighting skills training at the Law Enforcement Cadet Corps summer camp.**

✪ Various Agencies	13
✪ DPS Academy Staff	1
Total attendees:	14

## COURT SERVICES OFFICER BASIC

When needed, new Court Services Officers go through initial training at the academy, usually in conjunction with an ALET training session.

✪ Aug. 21-Sept. 9	2
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## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2011

**Law Enforcement Cadet Corps** – Through a partnership with the Department of Education, Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, the Department of Public Safety added the Law Enforcement Cadet Corps for youth ages 15-18 who attend Mount Edgumbe High School in Sitka. The school is a residential program for students from all regions and ethnic groups in the state. The 2010-2011 school year was the first for the cadet program. It provided career exploration and educational experience for a group of 20 Mount Edgumbe students to learn about public service related careers and gain valuable leadership skills. There are also 20 students enrolled in the program for the 2011-2012 school year. The academy provides the staff and facilities for the LECC program and added a program coordinator position in 2010.

In July of 2011, the program conducted its first 10-day summer training camp to teach 10 participating students – who were predominately from rural Alaska – apprentice firefighting skills. Teaching the class were personnel from the Alaska State Troopers, Division of Fire and Life Safety, Chena Goldstream Fire & Rescue, and Palmer Fire Department. Valuable training assistance was also provided by members of the Sitka Fire Department. The goal of the Apprentice Firefighter Academy was to provide encouragement and training to young people who might be interested in serving their community by joining a local volunteer fire department. The training does not qualify the youths to enter burning buildings, but it allows them to provide valuable support assistance in the event of a fire or other emergency in their community.



## Supervisor

**Lt. Lonnie Gonzales**

The number of trooper recruit applicants decreased in 2011 by 1,641, and lateral hire applicants increased by 41 from the previous year. This can be attributed to an unprecedented number of applicants the prior year as a result of the popularity of the National Geographic Channel series “Alaska State Troopers.” Applicant numbers are predicted to rise in 2012 due to a change in advertising strategy that includes investments in web-based job opening advertisements such as Career Builder and text-based advertising platforms.

## 2011 Recruitment Unit Statistics:

### Trooper recruits

- 1,415 applications
- 647 identified potential recruits
- 42 interviewed
- 16 applicants hired

### Lateral hires

- 194 applications
- 60 identified potential hires
- 11 interviewed
- 3 applicants hired

### Court Services Officer

- 244 individuals applied
- 14 interviewed
- 6 hired



**Court Services Officer applicants do sit-ups for the physical portion of application process.**

Of the 13 trooper recruits and six lateral hires that graduated from the academy in November of 2010, 10 successfully completed the FTEP program in 2011. All of the six trooper recruits that started the spring 2011 academy graduated in June and completed their FTEP requirements after the academy. All 10 trooper recruits and three lateral hire troopers who started and graduated the academy were set to begin the FTEP program in Palmer, Fairbanks, or Soldotna at the beginning of 2012.





**Commander  
Capt. Steve Arlow**

In 2011, funding for the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program appropriated by Alaska Gov. Sean Parnell and state legislators was at an all-time high. Part of the governor's "Safe Homes and Strong Families" campaign is to provide funding for an additional 15 VPSOs each year into 2019. In July 2011, which marks the beginning of

the next fiscal year, the program was authorized funding for 101 positions statewide. The program managed to fill 96 of these positions in 2011 – up from 46 in 2008. Recognizing this fast growth, the Division of Alaska State Troopers dedicated a commissioned commander exclusively to the VPSO program. In addition, there is a trooper sergeant functioning as a training coordinator and an administrative assistant working at offices shared with C Detachment headquarters in Anchorage. Four VPSO support positions were created for a total of seven authorized AST positions within the program. These positions – two in Bethel and one each in Fairbanks and Kotzebue – provide support and act as liaisons between the department and the regional contractors managing VPSOs. In response to this progress, AST secured warehouse space next to the already existing Department of Public Safety supply warehouse to manage the influx of uniforms and equipment needed to support this growth.

In January 2011, 24 VPSOs were scheduled to attend the annual 10-week academy in Sitka, of which 22 started with 20 graduating on March 11. In December 2011, 38 VPSOs were scheduled to attend the January 2012 VPSO academy. In 2011, 41 VPSOs were hired and 21 either resigned or were terminated.

AST also invested in various technologies to assist in the training of all rural law enforcement to include Tribal Police Officers (TPO) and Village Police Officers (VPO). First was the development of distance learning courses for all rural law enforcement officers. This new approach provides more frequent training opportunities with less expense overall. Some of the course topics selected included domestic violence, community oriented policing, cultural awareness, report writing, and jail guard procedures. With the financial and facility support from the YUUT Elitnaurviat-People's Learning Center in Bethel,

AST managed to provide three separate two-week training sessions this year for current and new VPSOs, VPOs, and TPOs. This training within rural Alaska's law enforcement is designed to bring the quality of these officers' skills to a professional standard in investigation and report writing in order to provide justice to victims and hold offenders accountable.

The Village Public Safety Officer Program had all but five of the 101 assigned positions staffed at the end of 2011. Two positions were not assigned to a regional contractor agency pending filling of vacancies. Below are staffing allocations among the contractors:

- ★ Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association (APIA) for the Aleutian Chain – five funded positions with five filled
- ★ Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) for the Bethel region – 36 funded positions with 36 filled
- ★ Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) for the Bristol Bay region – 14 funded positions with 14 filled
- ★ Central Council for Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (CCTHITA) in Southeast Alaska – eight funded positions with seven filled
- ★ Copper River Native Association (CRNA) for the Copper River Basin near Glennallen – four funded positions with four filled
- ★ Chugachmiut Inc. for the Prince William Sound and Lower Cook Inlet region – three funded positions with two filled
- ★ Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA) for Kodiak Island – five funded positions with five filled
- ★ Kawerak, Inc. for the Bering Straits region – 10 funded positions with 10 filled
- ★ Northwest Arctic Borough (NWAB) for the region around Kotzebue – six funded positions with five filled
- ★ Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) for Interior Alaska – nine funded positions with eight filled

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2011

**Justice Center Study** – In the summer of 2011, The University of Alaska Anchorage's Justice Center released a **study** of 300 sexual assaults, 338 sexual abuse of a minor, and 1,095 domestic violence cases – all involving one suspect and one adult victim. The sexual assault and SAM cases were reported to AST in 2003 and 2004 and the domestic assault cases were from 2004. The study compared cases where a local paraprofessional police

officer – VPSO, VPO, or TPO – was involved against cases that didn't include involvement. In the vast majority of these cases, VPSOs were the first responders. The study found that the likelihood the case was referred for prosecution, the probability of acceptance for prosecution, and chances of conviction went up substantially in almost all categories when these officers were involved. Especially notable is that all of the SAM cases assisted by these officers ended in a conviction. What the study found:

### *Probability of referral*

- ★ Sexual assault case referral rates increased from 62 to 75 percent
- ★ Sexual abuse of a minor case referral rates cases did not change
- ★ Domestic violence assault case referral rates decreased from 82 to 72 percent

### *Probability of acceptance for prosecution*

- ★ Sexual assault case acceptance rates increased from 54 to 84 percent
- ★ Sexual abuse of a minor case acceptance rates increased from 54 to 76 percent
- ★ Domestic violence assault case acceptance rates increased from 85 to 91 percent

### *Probability of conviction*

- ★ Sexual assault prosecution rates increased from 71 to 79 percent
- ★ Sexual abuse of a minor prosecution rates increased from 82 to 100 percent
- ★ Domestic violence assault prosecution rates increased from 77 to 86 percent



From the left, AST Director Col. Keith Mallard talks to Village Public Safety Officers Jason Turk and Steven Rugge as they walk to the Kiana airstrip.

Another **Justice Center study conducted in 2006** found that villages with a local paraprofessional police presence had rates of serious injury caused by assault that were 40 percent less than those villages without a local paraprofessional police presence.

**Equipment Gains in Villages** – Communities struggle to provide adequate infrastructure such as housing and office space for VPSOs. AST staff works with communities and regional contractors to submit applications for federal and state grant funds supporting public safety in these needed areas. Because of this effort, three rural communities received new home construction funds dedicated for VPSOs and their families under the Alaska Housing Finance Corp. With grant writing assistance from AST, other communities received funds under a U.S. Department of Justice Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation supporting VPSO equipment needs. As part of this effort:

- ★ BBNA was awarded over \$500,000 to purchase new patrol SUVs, computers and printers for VPSOs in the Bristol Bay region
- ★ AVCP was awarded more than \$500,000 for snowmachines and four-wheelers for VPSOs in the Bethel region
- ★ Kawerak Inc. was awarded \$195,000 for snowmachines and four-wheelers for VPSOs in the Bering Straits region

## 2011

## Activity

In reviewing the 2011 case activity statistics, VPSOs throughout the state provided significant support in the fight against domestic violence and assaults. VPSOs handled a total of 7,186 calls for service including:

- ★ 300 domestic violence offenses
- ★ 573 assault offenses, of which 86 were felony assault offenses
- ★ 112 driving under the influence offenses
- ★ 130 vandalism offenses
- ★ 30 motor vehicle crashes investigations
- ★ 16 search and rescues
- ★ Referred 646 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution







**Coordinator**

**Naomi Sweetman**





The mission of the **Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.)** program is to teach Alaskan kids to resist drugs and violence. The D.A.R.E. curriculum is unique because it uses law enforcement officers to teach young students in the classroom before risky behavior develops.

When the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program was delegated its own commander and support staff in 2011, D.A.R.E. also moved from C Detachment to fall specifically under the VPSO program. For years, D.A.R.E. has been very supportive of the VPSO program because both invest heavily in community policing.

Of the 129,114 students in Alaska's public school system in 2011, 2,943 were involved in the D.A.R.E. curriculum during the 2010-2011 school year. Of that number:

-  632 were in the kindergarten through fourth grade program
-  1,952 were in the elementary program
-  332 were in the middle school program
-  27 were in the high school program





During the 2010-2011 school year, 71 officers taught the D.A.R.E. curriculum in their local school. That included:

-  27 municipal police officers
-  15 Alaska State Troopers
-  13 VPSOs
-  16 federal officers

The D.A.R.E. program was taught in 19 of the 54 state school districts, to include 53 schools. Six communities added the D.A.R.E. program for the school year, bringing the total number to 31.

Expanding the D.A.R.E. program is achieved by training new officers through yearly two-week, 80-hour initial D.A.R.E. Officer Training (DOT) sessions. Nine new law enforcement officers – two military officers, three municipal officers, three VPSOs, and one federal officer – attended the course.

In addition to DOT, there was a two-day Youth Safety In-Service in February. Of the 60 in-service attendees, 24 were school officials and school resource officers and 24 were D.A.R.E. officers from around the state. These D.A.R.E. officers were:

-  10 municipal officers
-  4 VPSOs
-  7 Alaska State Troopers
-  3 military police

Three D.A.R.E. officers and a student advisory representative traveled from Alaska to Nashville for advanced training at the International D.A.R.E. Conference in 2011.

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2011

**Modified School Resource Officer** – During 2011, the Mat-Su Borough Secure Our School (SOS) project and the modified School Resource Officer (SRO) projects were able to provide six Fatal Vision goggle kits for students. Each of the schools received one kit and the Mat-Su AST post received two kits. Two additional troopers were sent to the SRO training in Phoenix to continue the project even after the funding was exhausted in August 2011. The modified SRO project was fully implemented in the following communities: Selawik, Kiana, Noorvik, Brevig Mission, Teller, Wales, Diomed, Nulato, Ruby, Iliamna, New Halen, Nondalton, Pedro Bay, Port Allsworth, Gustavus, Angoon, and Tenakee Springs. Training to turn VPSOs into SROs was granted in 2011 with a combined D.A.R.E. and SRO training class scheduled for Bethel in early 2012.

**Computer Cop** – Funding from a combination of an SRO and a D.A.R.E. grants was used to purchase Computer Cop software and tailor the software to Alaska-specific needs. This software works in the computer by pulling up all video, photo, temporary Internet websites, and documents that are on the computer. Parents can utilize this software to monitor their children's Internet use and work with their children on Internet safety. Copies of this software program were sent to every police department, school, and library statewide. Additionally, copies have been made available for every parent that attends an Internet safety course.





**Deputy Commander  
Lt. Tom Dunn**

The Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol is composed of 30 authorized positions. Twenty six of the positions are commissioned and four are non-commissioned support personnel. The support personnel are three administrative staff, plus a visual information specialist that produces public service announcements targeting driving habits. Twenty two of the

commissioned positions are AST and four are municipal police officer positions. These municipal officers are contracted with Wasilla, Palmer, Kenai, and Fairbanks police departments through the federal grant for highway safety. In addition, ABHP has a partnership with the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to provide three Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officers to work with the units on commercial vehicle enforcement. ABHP positions are assigned to posts located in Fairbanks, Soldotna, Palmer, and Girdwood with the visual information specialist located at department headquarters in Anchorage.

In April 2011, the ABHP daily patrol operations and



**Trooper Dan Sadloske of the Southcentral Traffic Team directs traffic while another trooper investigates a crash on the Glenn Highway.**

supervision was moved to each detachment where the teams are stationed. Detachment commanders resumed responsibility of ensuring ABHP resources within their region were effectively meeting DUI and traffic related matters. This transition allowed ABHP command to focus on maintaining grant integrity, building partnerships with other agencies, public education, data collection, training, and equipment needs. Additionally, ABHP command was tasked with ensuring the bureau maintained a statewide focus by working with detachment commanders. This helps ensure additional resource needs for specialty events were shifted between the different detachments to help cover the event. Throughout the year, ABHP responds to 12 individual events in different parts of the state that generate a significant increase in vehicle traffic. Although the original structure of ABHP has changed, it continues to move forward with securing the safety of Alaska's surface transportation system through proactive data-driven traffic enforcement.

The grants funded 15 media campaigns that included five public service announcement productions. The campaigns coincided with enhanced anti-DUI enforcement that puts troopers on the road for traffic safety in the last quarter of 2011. Grants also funded two public appearances – a hotdog handout at Three Bears grocery store in the KGB Corridor and a DUI-districted driving presentation at Colony High School. Three school-use PSAs were produced out of the school presentations. On June 11, 2011, the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences awarded the 2011 Emmy for Best Community/Public Service single spot to Visual Information Specialist Justin Freeman for his work on "DUI Real Story Shelly Reed."

## 2011

## Activity

ABHP is assigned primary, but not sole, responsibility for the investigations of fatal and major injury motor vehicle crashes state wide. ABHP conducted 550 motor vehicle collision investigations in 2011. Of which:

- 321 were damage only collisions
- 199 were injury collisions
- 30 were fatal collisions

Troopers and municipal police officers assigned to ABHP also handled the following in 2011:

- 19,465 citations issued, the most for AST statewide
- 1,567 of these citations were issued in safety zones
- 11,976 warnings issued
- 37,755 contacts
- 1,153 arrests for various crimes
- 429 impaired driving arrests
- Three vehicular homicide cases – two by the Soldotna Traffic Team and one by the Fairbanks Traffic Team



**Lt. Dave Tugmon**  
**SAR Coordinator**

In 2011, Alaska State Troopers and Alaska Wildlife Troopers personnel spent 3,110 hours handling 714 potential search and rescue (SAR) incidents. Of those 714 incidents, only 334 resulted in a full-blown SAR where resources were launched in search of a missing person or people. When this occurs,

the Department of Public Safety relies heavily upon volunteers during searches.

In all 714 incidents, over 897 people were either rescued or recovered. The 897 total subjects included 37 persons who were recovered after they died as a direct result of injuries sustained from their incident. An additional 10 people are still listed as missing at the end of 2011.

Of the SAR incidents investigated:

✪ Fatal aircraft crash	9
✪ Injury-only aircraft crash	8
✪ Overdue aircraft	17
✪ Overdue boater	102
✪ Overdue hiker	39
✪ Overdue motorist	86
✪ Overdue snowmachiner	137
SAR incidents	334
(18 incidents were listed in two different categories)	

Search and rescue cases are separated by units in DPS as:

✪ A Detachment	31
✪ B Detachment	36
✪ C Detachment	97
✪ D Detachment	20
✪ E Detachment	49
✪ AST Headquarters	58
✪ VPSOs	16
✪ Alaska Wildlife Troopers	27
Total:	334



**Search and rescue dog Kaamos and handler Jill Missal of Backcountry Alaska Rescue K-9 play after finding a hiding person during a training session in back of the Department of Public Safety Headquarters building.**

Volunteers contributed 10,540 hours in the 249 SAR cases received and reviewed by AST's statewide search and rescue office as of Feb. 15, 2011. The average search time from time of the call to locating the missing person or people was 11.5 hours in 2011. This varies greatly depending upon the reason for the search.

✪ Overdue person	1.9 hours
✪ Avalanche	3.10 hours
✪ Criminal matter	4.06 hours
✪ Lost individual	6.3 hours
✪ Stranded person	7.12 hours
✪ Medial emergency	8.3 hours
✪ Trauma incident	12.1 hours
✪ Drowning/near drowning	12.3 hours
✪ Investigative (not found)	13.2 hours
✪ Despondent person	14.1 hours

Expenses tallied for 2011 was just over \$378,600. The average cost of searches tallied so far is \$568. The average cost was just under \$507 for the 339 SARs conducted in 2010. As in previous years, the bulk of expenses for 2011 were aircraft costs.



**Lt. Maurice Hughes**  
**Anchorage JS**

Judicial Services Units move prisoners, serve writs, and provide security to the court. In February 2011, the Bureau of Judicial Services was restructured to move the 11 judicial services units under the supervision of the local detachments in which the units are located. This change from a bureau command was made to bring more of the operational control and accountability under

the authority of the local Alaska State Trooper detachment commanders and simplify the interactions between area residents and AST. It also gives detachment commanders more resources and greater flexibility to meet local mission requirements.

Judicial services has nine troopers, 59 Court Services Officers and 15 clerical personnel located in units in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer, Kenai, Juneau, Ketchikan, Bethel, Nome, Dillingham, Barrow, and Homer for a total of 83 personnel in 2011.

Activity for the different units and CSOs throughout Alaska in 2011 was:

## Juneau Judicial Services Unit

- ✪ Processed 2,167 writs
- ✪ Served 1,875 writs
- ✪ Performed 1,916 prisoner transports
- ✪ Extradited seven fugitives arrested in other states and returned to Alaska
- ✪ Made 109 warrant arrests

## Ketchikan Judicial Services Unit

- ✪ Processed 1,233 writs
- ✪ Served 1,052 writs
- ✪ Conducted two evictions
- ✪ Performed 1,127 prisoner transports
- ✪ Extradited one fugitive arrested in another state and returned to Alaska
- ✪ Made 253 warrant arrests

## Kenai Judicial Services Unit

- ✪ Processed 1,698 writs
- ✪ Served 2,359 writs

- ✪ Performed 4,285 prisoner transports
- ✪ Made 342 warrant arrests

## Homer CSO

- ✪ Processed 696 writs
- ✪ Served 606 writs
- ✪ Conducted two evictions
- ✪ Performed 244 prisoner transports

## Anchorage Judicial Services Unit

- ✪ Processed 5,415 writs
- ✪ Served 4,275 writs
- ✪ Conducted 264 evictions
- ✪ Executed 52 temporary mental health commitments
- ✪ Performed 31,813 prisoner transports
- ✪ Extradited 51 fugitives from justice within Alaska
- ✪ Extradited 39 fugitives arrested in other states and returned to Alaska
- ✪ Made 3,337 warrant arrests

## Palmer Judicial Services Unit

- ✪ Processed 1,189 writs
- ✪ Served 596 writs
- ✪ Conducted one eviction
- ✪ Executed four temporary mental health commitments
- ✪ Performed 6,330 prisoner transports
- ✪ Extradited four fugitives arrested in other states, but returned to Alaska
- ✪ Made 1,178 warrant arrests

## Fairbanks Judicial Services Units

- ✪ Processed 6,286 writs
- ✪ Served 4,505 writs
- ✪ Executed 584 temporary mental health commitments
- ✪ Performed 89,387 prisoner transports
- ✪ Extradited 13 fugitives arrested in other states, and returned to Alaska
- ✪ Made 1,546 warrant arrests

## Barrow CSO

- ✪ Processed 73 writs
- ✪ Conducted 902 prisoner transports

## C Detachment Support CSO

- ✪ Conducted 188 prisoner transports





Anchorage Judicial Services Court Services Officer Ed Appelloff handcuffs a prisoner before he's taken upstairs for a court appearance.

### Bethel Judicial Services Unit

- ★ Processed 2,619 writs
- ★ Served 1,852 writs
- ★ Executed one temporary mental health commitment
- ★ Conducted eight evictions
- ★ Performed 4,937 total prisoner transports
- ★ Made six warrant arrests

### Nome Judicial Services Unit

- ★ Processed 456 writs
- ★ Served 270 writs
- ★ Performed 2,363 prisoner transports
- ★ Made 32 warrant arrests

### Dillingham CSO

- ★ Processed 623 writs
- ★ Served 514 writs
- ★ Conducted six evictions
- ★ Conducted 1,070 prisoner transports
- ★ Made 15 warrant arrests



**Commander  
Capt. Dennis Casanovas**

In 2011, the **Alaska Bureau of Investigation (ABI)** had 92 authorized positions divided between 64 full-time commissioned troopers, six non-permanent investigators, 21 full-time civilian personnel, and a non-permanent civilian employee. A trooper investigator and

AST Criminal Justice Technician position were both added to the ABI Technical Crimes Unit in Anchorage in 2011. ABI personnel primarily work out of offices in Anchorage, Palmer, Fairbanks, Bethel, Soldotna, Juneau, Ketchikan, Dillingham, Kotzebue, and Nome. However, all ABI personnel are prepared for deployment anywhere in the state as needs arise.

Of the 92 positions in ABI, 16 commissioned and six civilian positions rely upon federal grant

### ABI

### Units

MAJOR CRIMES UNIT  
TECHNICAL CRIMES UNIT  
PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT  
FINANCIAL CRIMES UNIT  
CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION UNITS  
COLD CASE INVESTIGATION UNITS  
STATEWIDE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT  
MISSING PERSONS CLEARINGHOUSE  
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funding to support their existence. This represents nearly 24 percent of personnel within the bureau.

In January of 2011, the bureau took on the job of coordinating law enforcement's efforts to reduce the availability of illegal alcohol and controlled substances throughout Alaska. Because

the investigations conducted by ABI and the Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement (ABADE) were similar in nature as far as complexity, investigative process, and length, ABADE was changed into the **Statewide Drug Enforcement Unit** (SDEU) that now falls under ABI. Combining resources under ABI promotes a more complimentary use of personnel and investigative resources that were in many instances already located in the same region.

### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2011

**Prescription Drug Take Back Days** – Members from ABI, along with the Drug Enforcement Administration, other Alaskan law enforcement agencies, and other professional and community organizations, worked together in April and again in October to facilitate Prescription Drug Take Back Days. Troopers participated in Anchorage, Aniak, Bethel, Dillingham, Emmonak, Fairbanks, Girdwood, Glennallen, Juneau, Ketchikan, Klawock, Kodiak, Kotzebue, McGrath, Nome, Palmer, Sitka, Soldotna, St. Mary's, Talkeetna, and Wasilla. The Prescription Drug Take Back Days resulted in the collection and destruction of approximately 3,500 pounds of prescription drugs. The event allows people to turn over prescription drugs for proper destruction, thus taking unwanted narcotics out of circulation. The effort was enacted to help prevent accidental poisonings, prescription drug abuse, and protect drinking water systems from the flushing of old medications.

**Cold Case Closures** – In August 2011 AST announced that the kidnapping and sexual assault of an 8-year-old girl near Wasilla 20 years earlier had been solved. On the afternoon of Feb. 7, 1991, the young girl was abducted from her bus stop on Fairview Loop Road by an adult male who drove her to a residence and sexually assaulted her. Extensive investigation efforts including hundreds of tips and leads by the public failed to resolve this crime. However, a DNA swab taken from a man who was convicted of a felony offense in 2005 was located and when analyzed, resulted in a match to a sample collected during the sexual assault examination of the victim in 1991. Because the

suspect had committed suicide in 2006, he could not be prosecuted. Nonetheless, in August 2011, the now 28-year-old victim, her husband, and her parents were informed of the DNA match and the identity of the suspect. This case emphasized the importance of legislation and continuing advances in scientific and analytical processes concerning DNA.

In addition, there were two notable events in 2011 for the Cold Case Investigation Unit. On Oct. 31, 2011, Kenneth M. Dion, 42, was sentenced in Anchorage Superior Court to 124 years in prison for the murder and sexual assault of 18-year-old Bonnie Craig 17 years earlier near McHugh Creek south of Anchorage. Despite years of investigative efforts, a DNA sample taken from Dion in 2006 after he was convicted of a felony offense in another state

### 2011

### Activity

Of the 16 homicide investigations undertaken by AST, ABI accounted for 13. These investigations were within the following AST Detachment locations:

- Two in A Detachment in Southeast Alaska
- Six in B Detachment in the Mat-Su Valley, reaching down into Glennallen and into the eastern part of the Prince William Sound area
- Two in C Detachment in Western Alaska
- Three in D Detachment in the Interior

In addition:

• The bureau conducted approximately 98 sexual assault investigations resulting in 115 offenses – approximately 34 percent of AST's sexual assault offenses.

• ABI conducted approximately 88 sexual abuse of a minor investigations resulting in 254 offenses – approximately 61 percent of AST's sexual abuse of a minor offenses.

• The bureau conducted approximately 10 robbery investigations resulting in nine offenses – approximately 36 percent of AST's robbery offenses.

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produced the biggest lead. Dion's DNA matched a sample collected during the murder investigation in Alaska, which led to identifying Dion as a suspect. The second event occurred on Sept. 30, 2011 when a Juneau grand jury indicted Robert D. Kowalski, 50, for the murder of 38-year-old Sandra M. Perry 15 years earlier at a lodge near Yakutat. The Cold Case Investigation Unit elected to re-examine the Alaska case after Kowalski was convicted of homicide in Montana for killing his girlfriend in 2008. Alaska State Troopers are still awaiting authorization to transport Kowalski from Montana to face the murder charges in Alaska.

### SDEU

### Activity

SEIZED	2010	2011
Alcohol (gallons)	774	682
Heroin (pounds)	4.6	6.4
Cocaine (pounds)	22.1	37.1
Oxycontin/Oxycodone (units)	5,958	1,836
Methamphetamine (pounds)	4.5	6.2
Hydrocodone (units)	627	1,057
Other prescription (units)	2,668	2,548
Marijuana (plants)	3,822	7,882
Marijuana (pounds)	316	260.9

Statewide activity is listed online in the **Annual Drug Reports**

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## A Detachment



**Commander  
Capt. Kurt Ludwig**

A Detachment is composed of 15 commissioned troopers and nine administrative support personnel assigned to posts located in Ketchikan, Juneau, Klawock, and Haines. In addition, there are five Court Services Officers and two administrative support personnel with the judicial services units serving the Ketchikan and Juneau courthouses.

In 2011, the judicial services unit was moved back under A Detachment's operational responsibility. This brings the total number of personnel within A Detachment in 2011 to 31.

There was an estimated 73,526 people living in the more than 36,000 square miles of land within detachment boundaries in 2011. Not counting the captain and lieutenants that make up the command staff, there were 13 troopers to serve the estimated 11,067 people that relied on Alaska State Troopers as their primary provider of public safety in 2011. That is an average of one trooper for every 851 residents.

A Detachment had an increase in the number of assigned VPSO positions in the region in 2011. Additional VPSO positions were added in Thorne Bay, Angoon, Kassan, Saxman, and Hydaburg, bringing the total to 11 in Southeast Alaska.

### 2011

### Activity

A Detachment received, responded to, and investigated the following crimes and calls for service or assistance:

- 4,899 calls for service
- 60 assault cases resulting in 80 charges, of which 14 were felony offenses
- 12 sexual assault cases resulting in 11 offenses
- Four sexual abuse of a minor cases resulting in four offenses
- 22 burglary cases resulting in 23 total offenses
- 54 harassment cases resulting in 56 offenses
- 82 theft cases resulting in 82 theft offenses
- 48 vandalism cases resulting in 50 offenses
- 40 driving under the influence (DUI) cases resulting in 29 DUI offenses
- 34 trespass cases resulting in 36 trespass offenses
- Four leaving the scene of a vehicle collision cases resulting in four offenses
- 522 traffic citations issued
- Referred 237 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution
- 31 separate search and rescue operations
- 111 motor vehicle crashes
- 35 non-homicide death investigations





**Commander  
Capt. Hans Brinke**

trooper sergeant with the Palmer Judicial Services

B Detachment is composed of 45 commissioned and 10 administrative support personnel assigned to posts located in Talkeetna, Wasilla, Glennallen, and Palmer. In addition, there are seven Court Services Officers, two administrative support personnel, a trooper, and a



Trooper Fiona Taylor returns from a routine patrol in the Palmer area. Taylor was one of the new troopers going through the Field Training and Evaluation Program in Palmer in 2011. Palmer is one of the three posts where new recruits continue their training after the Public Safety Training Academy.

## 2011

## Activity

B Detachment received, responded to, and investigated the following crimes and calls for service or assistance:

- \*31,733 calls for service, almost one-third of the total AST calls for service
- 619 assault cases resulting in 709 offenses, of which 208 were felony offenses
- 16 sexual assault cases resulting in 12 offenses
- Four sexual abuse of a minor cases resulting in four offenses
- \*381 burglary cases resulting in 372 burglary offenses
- 449 harassment cases resulting in 437 offenses
- \*1,189 theft cases resulting in 1,261 theft offenses
- \*711 vandalism cases resulting in 716 offenses
- \*401 driving under the influence (DUI) cases resulting in 378 DUI offenses
- 382 trespass cases resulting in 391 trespass offenses
- 79 leaving the scene of a vehicle collision cases resulting in 78 offenses
- \*363 driving with a suspended license cases resulting in 364 offenses
- 4,896 traffic citations issued, of which 115 were issued for violations in safety zones
- 36 separate search and rescue operations
- \*1,303 motor vehicle crashes
- \*270 non-homicide death investigations
- \*Referred 1,789 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution.
- \*highest number among AST

Unit serving the Palmer courthouse. Plus, two trooper sergeants, seven troopers, two municipal police officers, and a Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officer comprise the Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol's Mat-Su Area Traffic Team located at the Mat-Su West post near Wasilla. The day-to-day oversight for both the JS unit and traffic team now falls within B Detachment. This brings the total to 77 personnel within B Detachment. This does not include the DOT&PF employee working with the traffic team.

There was an estimated 101,011 people living in the 53,465 square miles of land within detachment boundaries in 2011. Not counting the captain and two lieutenants that make up the command staff and the two troopers working at the courthouse, there were 51 troopers to serve the estimated 80,579 people that relied on Alaska State Troopers as their primary provider of public safety in 2011. That is an average of one trooper for every 1,579 residents.



**Commander  
Capt. Barry Wilson**

C Detachment is composed of 53 commissioned troopers, a state pilot, and 11 administrative support personnel assigned to posts located in Anchorage, Aniak, Bethel, Dillingham, Emmonak, Iliamna, King Salmon, Kodiak, Kotzebue, McGrath, Nome, Selawik, St. Mary's, and Unalakleet. In addition, there are five Court Service Officers, a trooper sergeant and an administrative clerk between Bethel, Nome, and Dillingham Judicial Services units serving the local courthouses. The day-to-day oversight of this unit now falls under C Detachment. This brings the total to 72 personnel within C Detachment in 2011.

There was an estimated 73,894 people living in the 216,077 square miles of land within detachment boundaries in 2011. Not counting the captain, two lieutenants and the judicial services sergeant, there were 50 commissioned troopers to serve the estimated 41,325 people that rely on Alaska State Troopers as their primary provider of public safety in 2011. That averages to one trooper for every 826 residents. However, full staffing



**Nome troopers and Court Services Officers gather under the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race finish line's burled arch.**

has been elusive. This, combined with the logistical issues created by distance between communities and erratic weather conditions, creates challenges for detachment troopers.

Continual efforts to increase the state's law enforcement presence in rural areas occurred in 2011, first by filling a sergeant position at the St. Mary's post. The creation of the Selawik post with two trooper positions working the new modified shift schedule of two-on-two-off will also provide needed reinforcement to the communities and help with oversight for the growing number of VPSOs in the Northwest Arctic. These positions are scheduled to be filled in February 2012. In July 2011, the number of funded statewide VPSO positions increased from 86 to 101 with 96 positions filled by the end of December 2011. Likewise, VPSO positions within C Detachment increased from 64 to 76 authorized positions with the dawning of a new fiscal year in July. There was only one vacancy among VPSOs within C Detachment in December of 2011. As the number of VPSOs in Western Alaska grows, the need to increase trooper positions that support and mentor those law enforcement personnel continues to rise.

C Detachment personnel continue to make significant efforts to engage the communities they service by making visits and overnight stays within the communities they are responsible for. C Detachment troopers conducted 1,587 visits to outlying villages and remained overnight on 658 additional trips. These activities provide a sense of safety and increase the ability of troopers to integrate into the communities.

## 2011

## Activity

C Detachment received, responded to, and investigated the following crimes and calls for service or assistance:

- \*1,233 of AST's 3,946 assault offenses
- \*470 of AST's 1,215 felony assault offenses
- 135 of AST's 414 sexual abuse of a minor offenses
- \*167 of AST's 335 sexual assault offenses
- 16,383 calls for service, almost one-sixth of the total AST calls for service
- 234 burglary cases resulting in 235 total burglary offenses
- 175 harassment cases resulting in 181 offenses
- 197 theft cases resulting in 210 theft offenses
- 292 vandalism cases resulting in 318 offenses
- \*97 separate search and rescue operations
- 176 non-homicide death investigations
- Referred 1,404 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution.
- \* highest number among AST



**Commander  
Capt. Burke Barrick**

D Detachment is composed of 50 commissioned and 29 administrative support personnel assigned to posts located in Fairbanks, Delta Junction, Tok, Northway, Nenana, Healy, Cantwell, and Galena. In addition, there are 10 Court Services Officers, two administrative support

personnel, a trooper, and a trooper sergeant with the Fairbanks Judicial Services Unit serving the Fairbanks courthouse. Plus, four troopers, one municipal police officer, a Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officer, and an administrative person make up the Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol's Fairbanks Traffic Team located at the Fairbanks post. The day-to-day oversight for both the JS unit and traffic team now falls within D Detachment. This brings the total of positions to 99 personnel within D Detachment. This does not include the DOT&PF employee working with the traffic team.

There was an estimated 111,301 people living in the 163,700 square miles of land within detachment boundaries in 2011. Not counting the captain and two lieutenants that make up the command staff and the two troopers working at the courthouse, there were 51 commissioned troopers to serve the estimated 75,208 people that relied on Alaska State Troopers as their primary provider of public safety in 2011. That averages to one trooper for every 1,474 residents.

**Troopers Ed Halbert and Heather Riddle drop off a bunch of coats donated by D Detachment employees to the Fairbanks Rescue Mission and Big Brothers Big Sisters.**

## 2011

## Activity

D Detachment received, responded to, and investigated the following crimes and calls for service or assistance:

- 22,014 calls for service, almost one-fifth of the total AST calls for service
- 627 assault cases resulting in 641 offenses, of which 162 were felony offenses
- 29 sexual assault cases resulting in 18 offenses
- Nine sexual abuse of a minor cases resulting in 12 offenses
- 354 burglary cases and 340 total burglary offenses
- \*500 harassment cases resulting in 498 offenses
- 679 theft cases resulting in 669 theft offenses
- 433 vandalism cases resulting in 429 offenses
- Eight robbery cases resulting in six robbery offenses
- 222 driving under the influence (DUI) cases resulting in 200 DUI offenses
- \*453 trespass cases resulting in 449 trespass offenses
- \*83 leaving the scene of a vehicle collision cases resulting in 82 offenses
- 200 driving with a suspended license cases resulting in 199 offenses
- 3,873 traffic citations issued
- 20 separate search and rescue operations
- 1,200 motor vehicle crashes
- 133 non-homicide death investigations
- Referred 1,516 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution.

\*highest number among AST







**Commander  
Capt. Andy Greenstreet**

E Detachment is composed of 34 commissioned and seven administrative support personnel assigned to posts located in Soldotna, Anchor Point, Ninilchik, Cooper Landing, Crown Point, and Girdwood. In addition, there are five Court Services Officers, an office assistant, and trooper sergeant with the Kenai Judicial Services Unit, and a CSO in Homer. These two units serve the Kenai and Homer courts. In addition, four troopers, a municipal police officer, and a Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officer make up the Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol's Soldotna Traffic Team. Another two troopers make up the Girdwood Traffic Team. The day-to-day oversight for the traffic teams and judicial services units was moved to within E Detachment in 2011. The detachment also employs nine of the 18 dispatchers that work at the Kenai Peninsula Borough's combined services dispatch center. An administrative clerk position was moved from the Soldotna Traffic Team to work at the dispatch center in 2011. Not including the DOT&PF employee working with the traffic team, there were a total of 66 personnel within E Detachment in 2011.

There was an estimated 59,319 people living in the 21,701 square miles of land within detachment boundaries in 2011. Not counting the captain and lieutenant that make up the command staff and the trooper working at the courthouse, there were 38 troopers to serve the estimated 39,916 people that relied on Alaska State Troopers as their primary provider of public safety in 2011. That averages to one trooper for every 1,050 residents.

## 2011

## Activity

E Detachment received, responded to, and investigated the following crimes and calls for service or assistance:

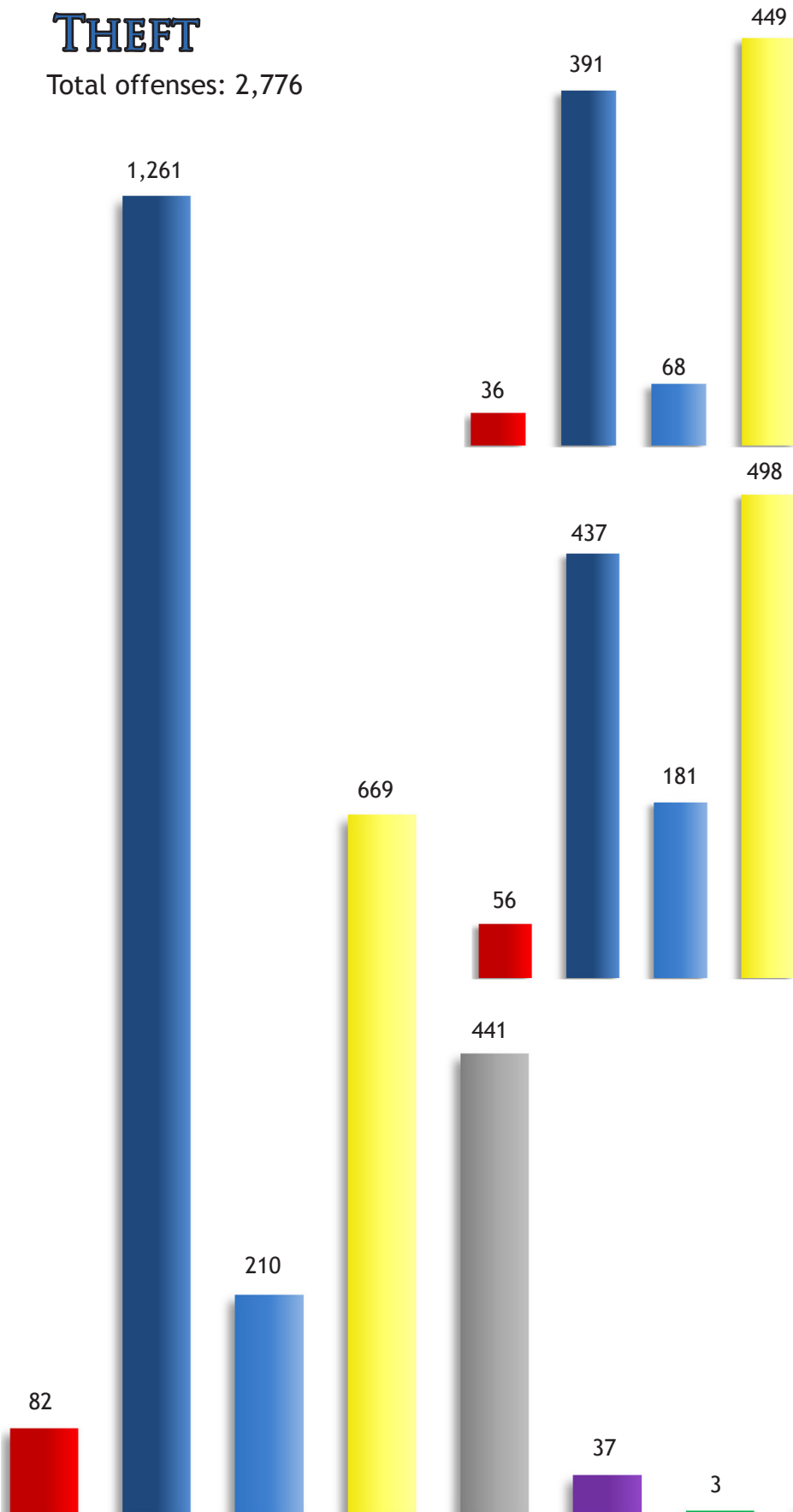
- 19,797 calls for service, more than one-sixth of the total AST calls for service
  - 417 assault cases resulting in 516 offenses, of which 151 were felony offenses
  - 14 sexual assault cases resulting in 10 offenses
  - Four sexual abuse of a minor cases resulting in three offenses
  - 132 burglary cases resulting in 140 offenses
  - 259 harassment cases resulting in 260 offenses
  - 415 theft cases resulting in 441 theft offenses
  - 291 vandalism cases resulting in 320 offenses
  - Three robbery cases resulting in four robbery offenses
  - 252 driving under the influence (DUI) cases resulting in 250 DUI offenses
  - 176 trespass cases resulting in 182 trespass offenses
  - 38 leaving the scene of a vehicle collision cases resulting in 38 offenses
  - 233 driving with a suspended license cases resulting in 237 offenses
  - 9,141 traffic citations issued, of which \*1,567 were issued in safety zones
  - 49 separate search and rescue operations
  - 840 motor vehicle crashes
  - 132 non-homicide death investigations
  - Referred 1,328 cases to the Department of Law for screening and prosecution
- \*highest number among Alaska State Troopers



Trooper Brock Simmons and Soldotna Professional Pharmacy owner Tom Hodel work the Drug Enforcement Administration National Prescription Drug Take Back event in Soldotna on Oct. 29. Troopers and police departments around the state set up receiving areas for the third Take Back event in Alaska. The event collected 1,900 pounds of prescription medication statewide.

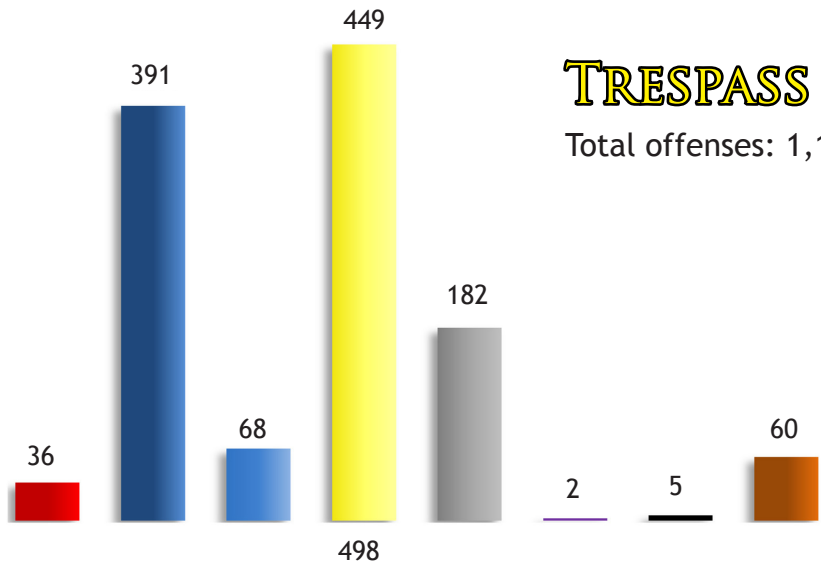
## THEFT

Total offenses: 2,776



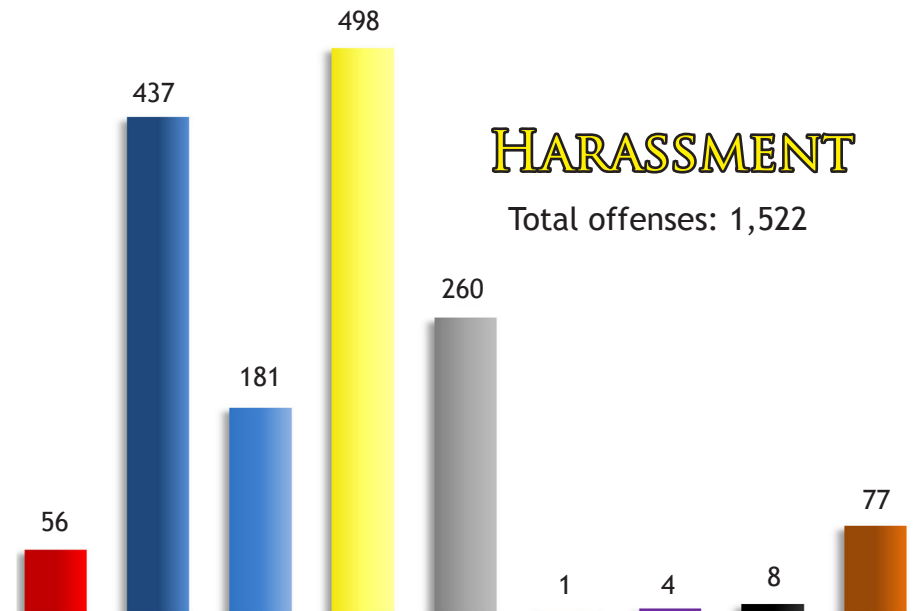
## TRESPASS

Total offenses: 1,193



## HARASSMENT

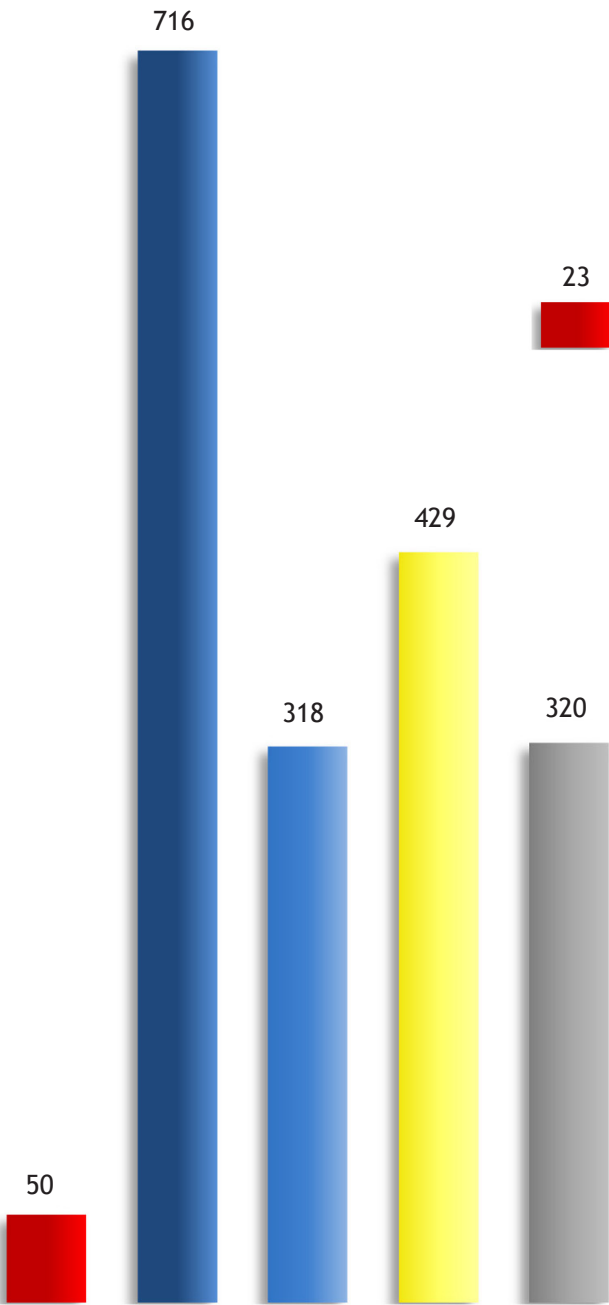
Total offenses: 1,522



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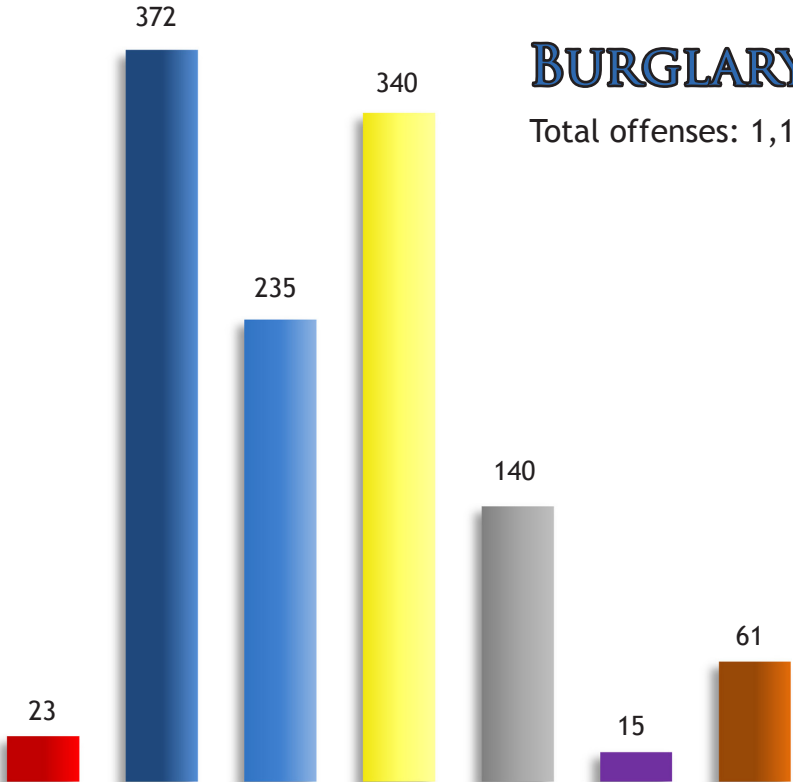
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Total offenses: 1,979



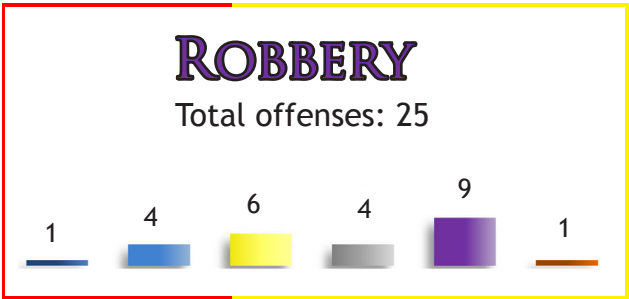
BURGLARY

Total offenses: 1,186



ROBBERY

Total offenses: 25



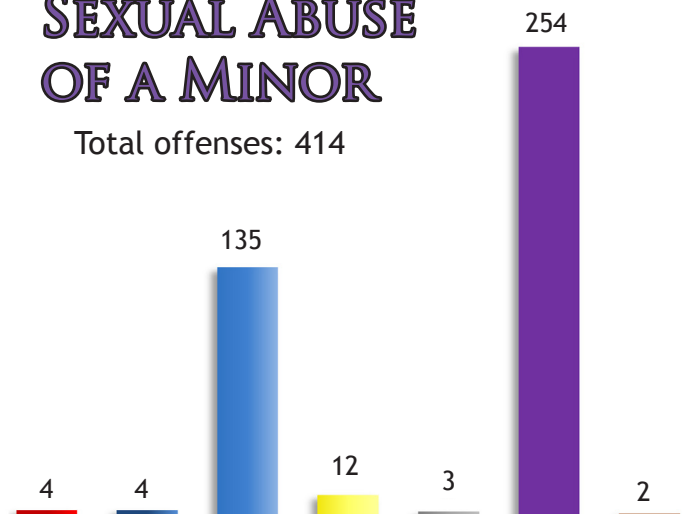
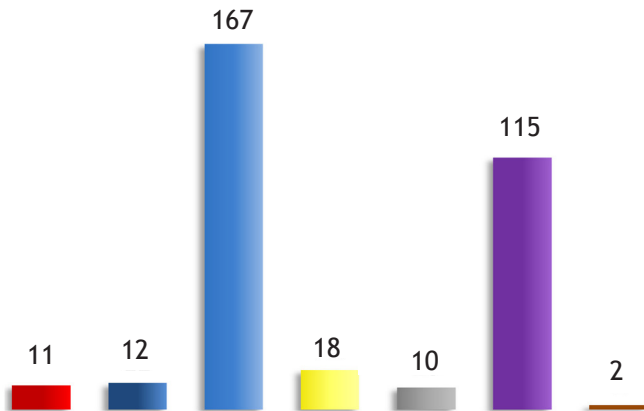


## SEXUAL ASSAULT

Total offenses: 335

## SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

Total offenses: 414



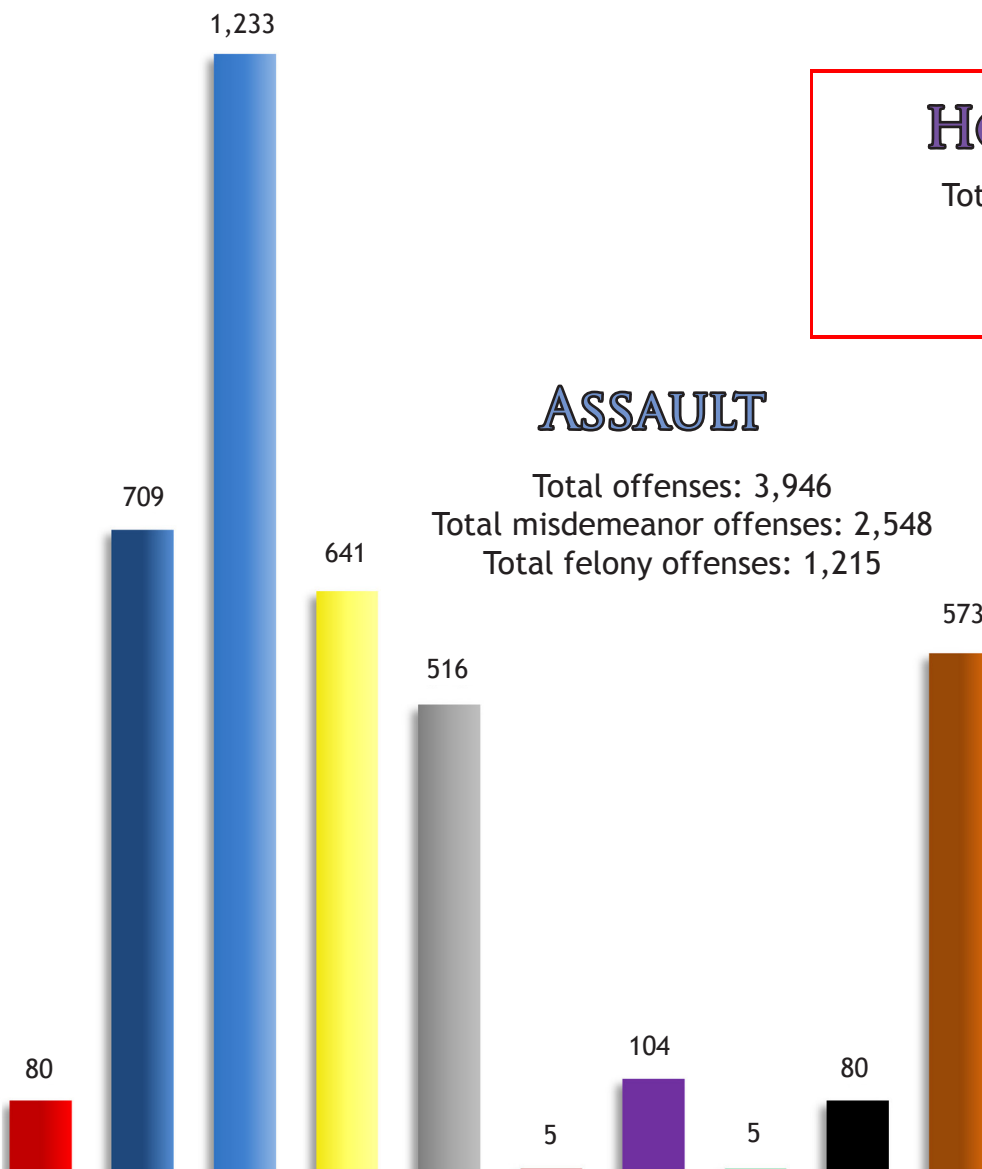
## HOMICIDE

Total offenses: 16



## ASSAULT

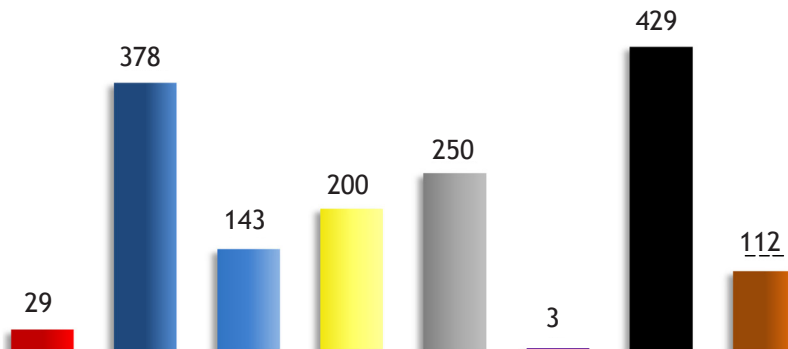
Total offenses: 3,946  
Total misdemeanor offenses: 2,548  
Total felony offenses: 1,215



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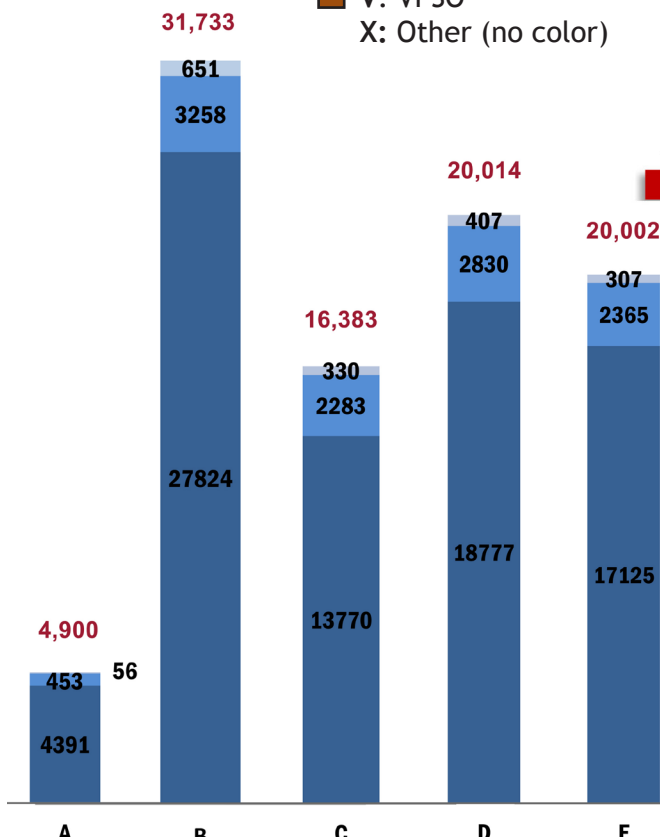
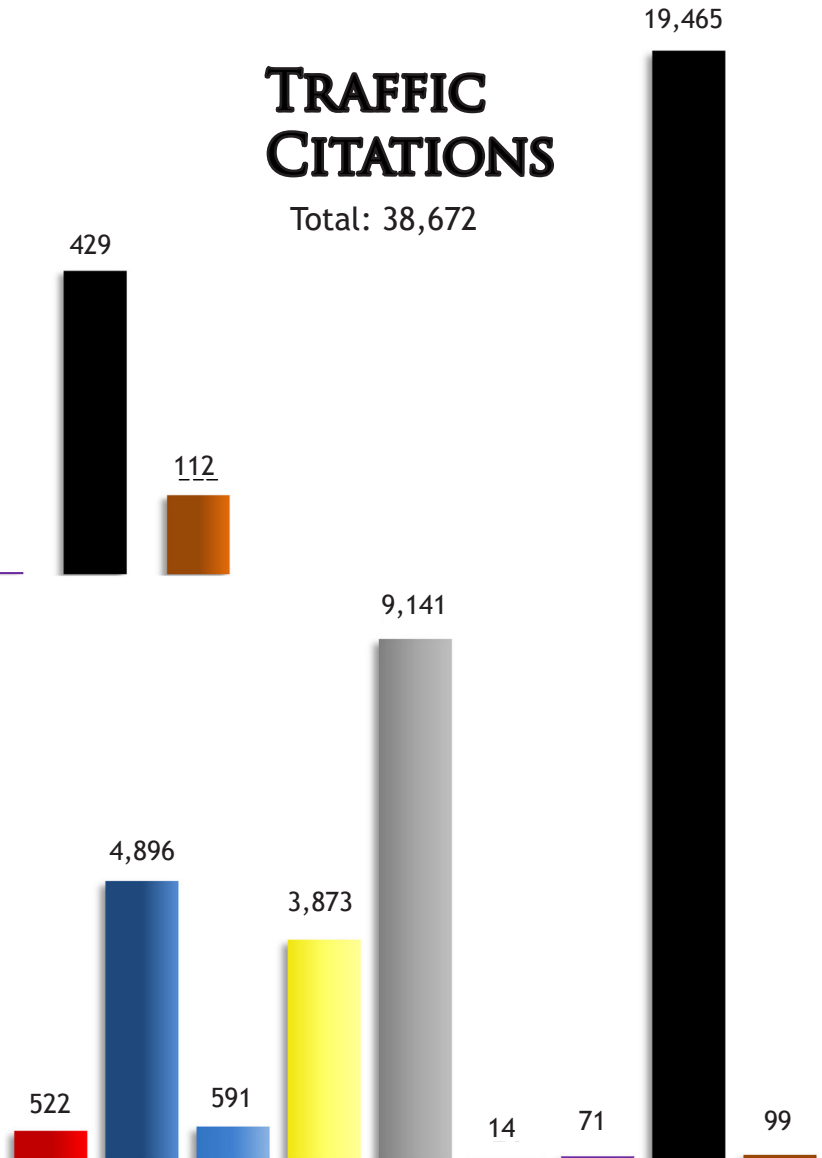
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## TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Total: 38,672



## CALLS INITIATED IN 2011

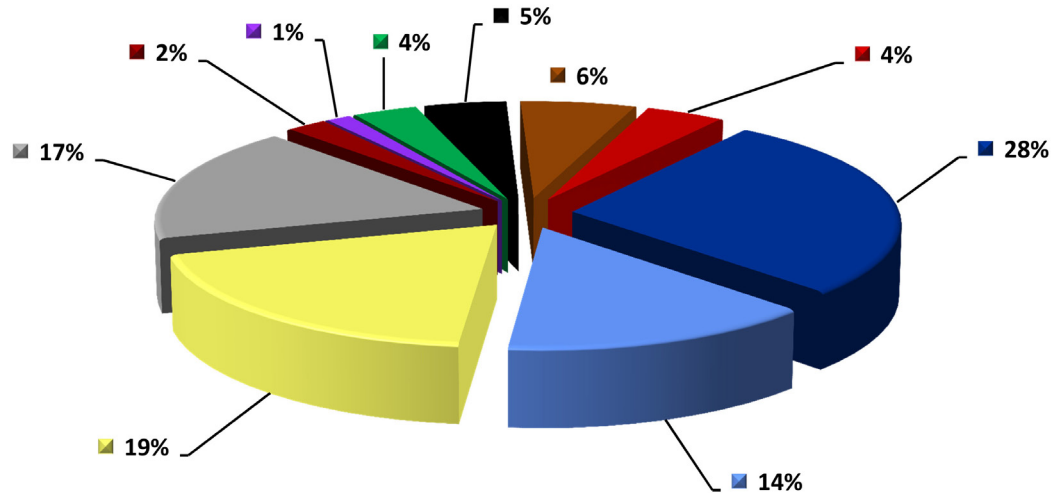
Total calls for service: 115,214

- Calls not requiring a report: 97,947
- Calls requiring a report: 14,987
- Total arrest warrants served: 2,235

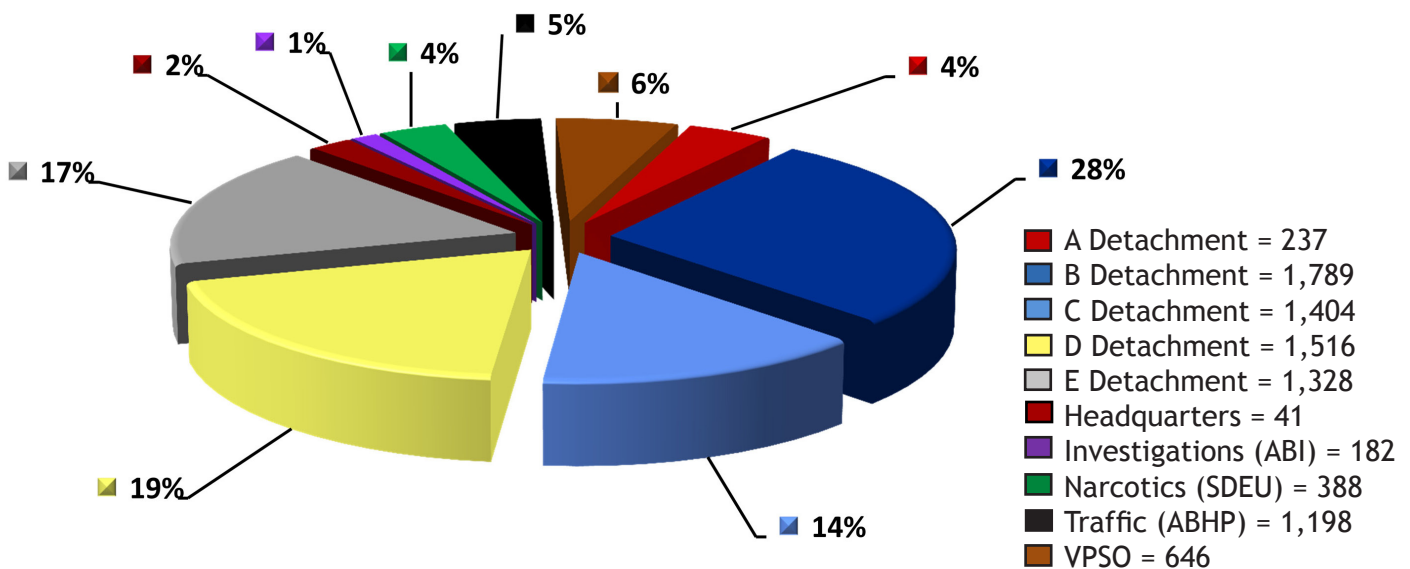
## CALLS FOR SERVICE FOR 2011

A Detachment = 4,899  
 B Detachment = 31,733  
 C Detachment = 16,383  
 D Detachment = 22,014  
 E Detachment = 19,797  
 Headquarters = 2,530  
 Investigations (ABI) = 1,553  
 Narcotics (SDEU) = 4,006  
 Traffic (ABHP) = 5,068  
 VPSO = 7,186  
 Other = 45

Total = 115,214



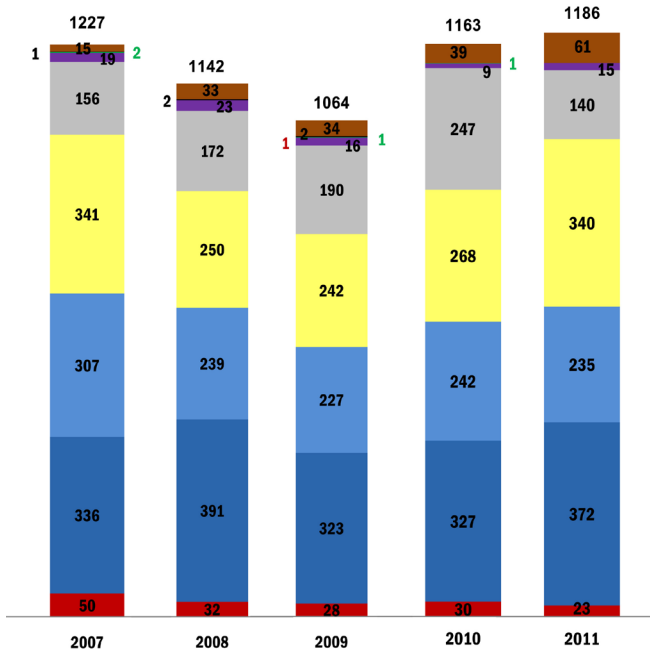
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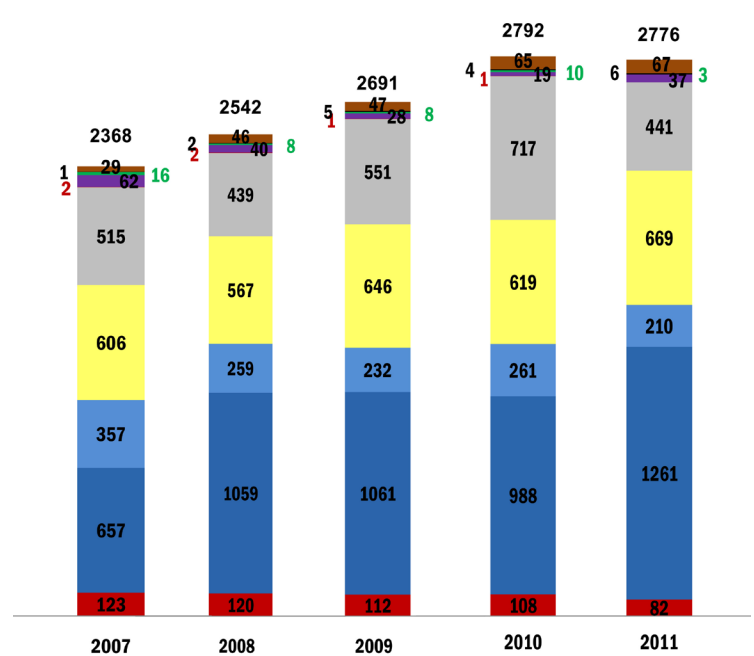
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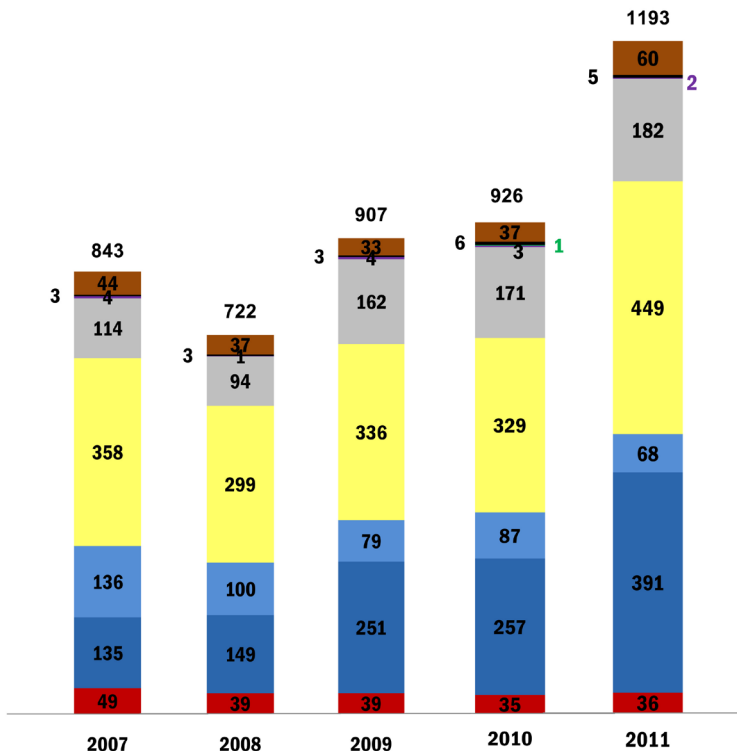
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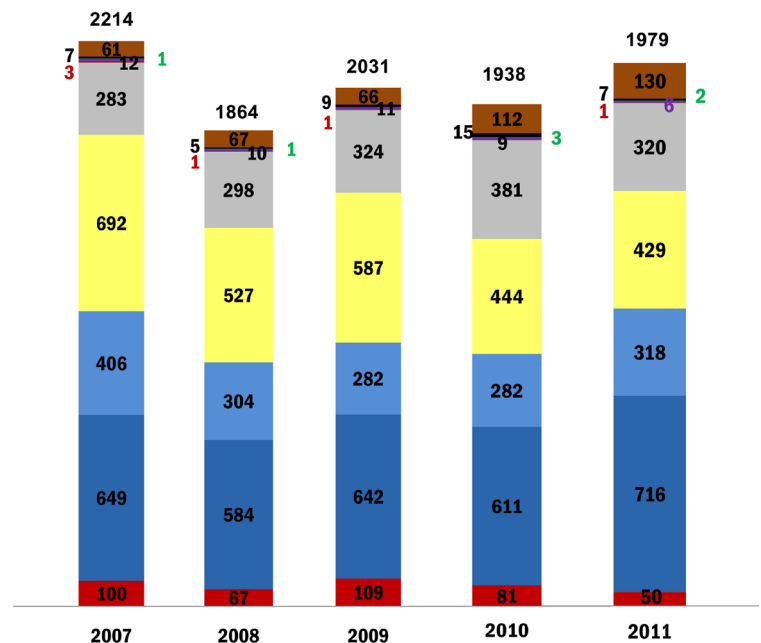
**Burglary**



**Theft**

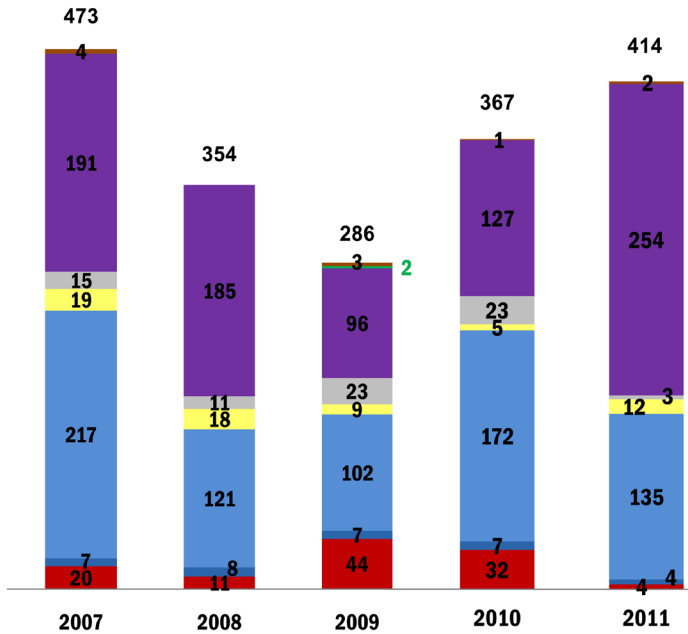


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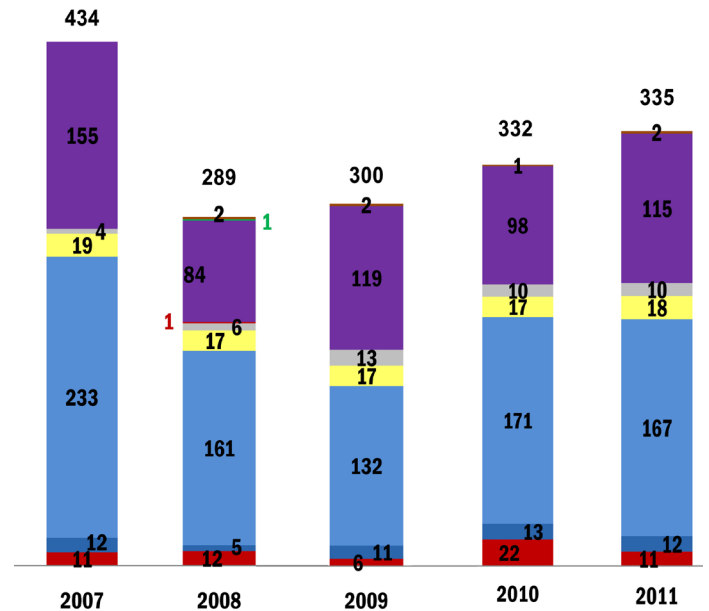


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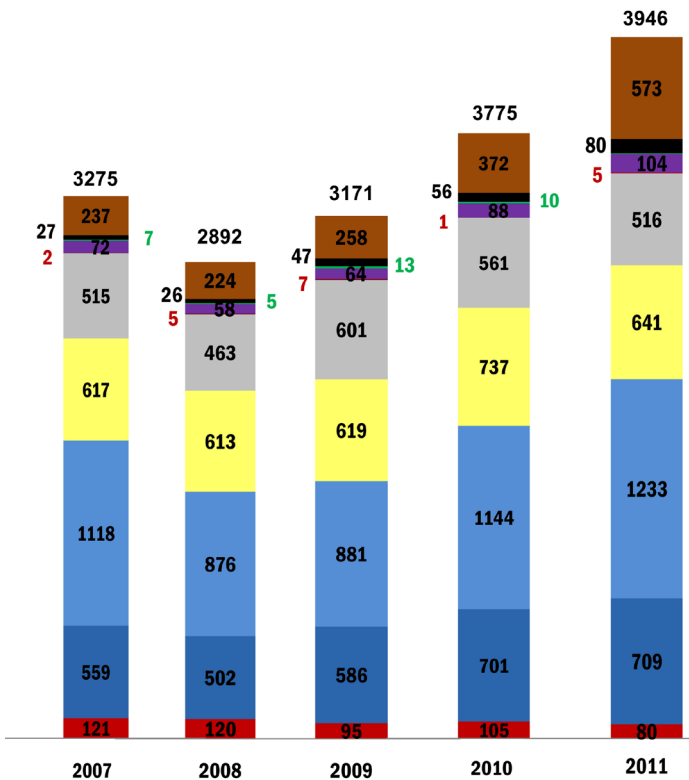
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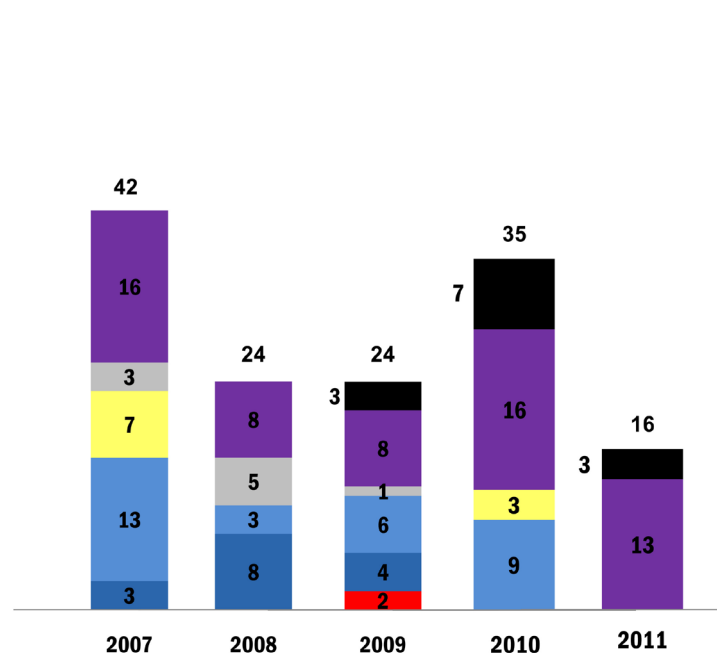
**Sexual Abuse of a Minor**



**Sexual Assault**

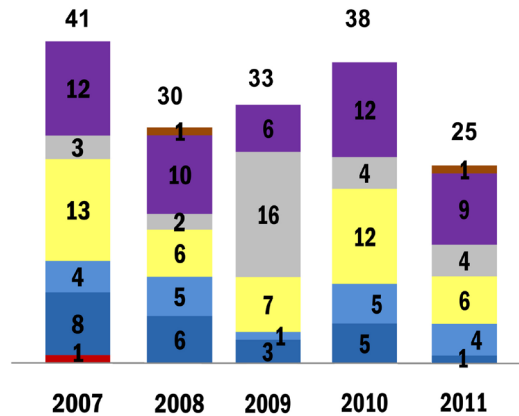


**Assault**

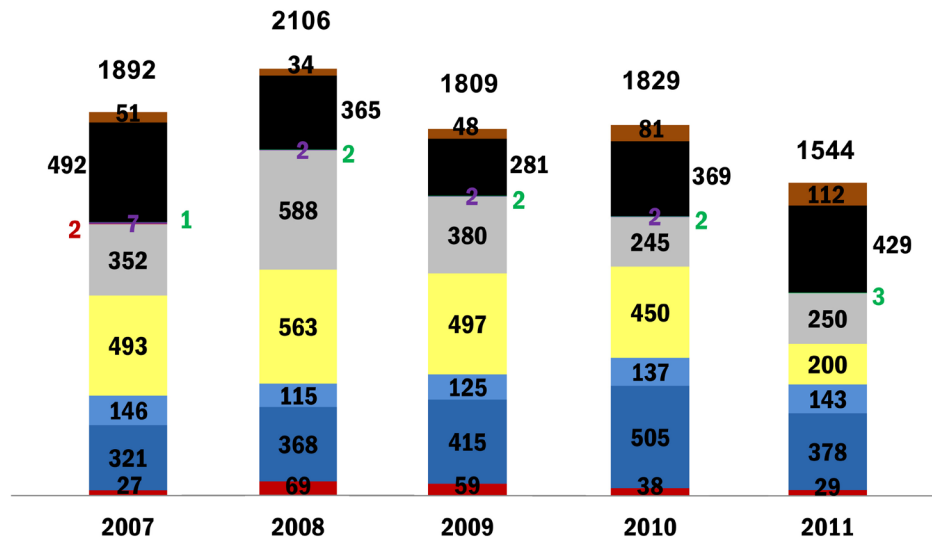


**Homicide**

■ A: A Detachment    ■ B: B Detachment    ■ C: C Detachment    ■ D: D Detachment  
■ E: E Detachment    ■ H: Headquarters    ■ I: ABI    ■ N: SDEU  
■ T: ABHP    ■ V: VPSO



### Robbery



### Driving Under the Influence



- I. Population data was obtained through the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development and is adopted as U.S. Census data (<http://labor.alaska.gov/research/pop/popest.htm>)
- II. Road mileage, land mass, and coastal area information was obtained through the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Central Region Design and Engineering Services. The source data was the US Census Borough's Tigerline GIS files.
- III. Land mass and coastal areas were calculated utilizing GIS mapping applied to the boundaries, which were provided for the Alaska State Trooper detachments. The base layer for this analysis was the Alaska Department of Natural Resources' GIS layer showing a representation of Alaska at a 1:63360 scale.
- IV. Road mileage includes only those roads that are classified as being traversable by standard passenger vehicles and trucks. Excluded segments include those accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicles, usually one-lane dirt trail, and found almost exclusively in very rural areas. Sometimes the road is called a fire road or logging road and may include an abandoned railroad grade where the tracks have been removed.
- V. Statistical data was extracted from the Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN) on Jan. 31, 2012 utilizing an established method and custom programs designed and used by AST. Numerous activity codes were utilized based on approved criteria and grouped by unit identifiers. The numbers for the 2011 Annual Report were adjusted to reflect greater accuracy in statistical data, leading to differences in statistics listed in previous Alaska State Trooper annual reports.

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