

**2004**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**WOOSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Chief Stephen W. Thornton**

February 21, 2005

Mayor James A Howey  
City of Wooster  
538 North Market Street  
Wooster, Ohio 44691

Dear Mayor Howey:

I am pleased to present to you and the Council of the City of Wooster, the 2004 Annual Report for the Wooster Police Department.

For the third year in a row, and the fourth in the last five years, we have investigated a homicide. This is becoming an unusual trend, in that, for many years, homicides were a rarity, occurring only once in four or five years. This year, our lone homicide occurred at a local tavern where two men got into an argument. Ultimately, one shot the other in the face, and he died the next day. Because of excellent police work, the suspect was arrested minutes after the event, following a brief foot chase. He has since been convicted and is serving his sentence. Our officers also investigated the death of a small child who was asphyxiated by a mattress placed over a playpen. The case was presented to the Wayne County Grand Jury, who did not return an indictment.

The Part-One offenses increased four percent (4%). All areas were down except larceny, which experienced a large increase. Decreases were in the other areas of homicide, rape, robbery, felonious assault, burglary, and auto theft.

Overall, our calls for service were down approximately one percent (1%), from 18,382 to 18,144. We saw an increase in alarms, noise complaints, domestic violence, and juvenile calls. There was a decrease in vehicle crashes and vandalism complaints. Our citations were down, but arrests and summons were up. Much of our time was spent dealing with such things as liquor violations (186), disorderly conduct (503), found property (333), bad checks (110) and

child abuse or neglect (118). August was the busiest month, with approximately 1,700 calls, while January was the least busy, with approximately 1,200 calls.

Two officers resigned to pursue other interests. Patrolman Scott Rotolo was chosen as the 2004 Officer of the Year.

Throughout the year, our officers have a variety of community events we attend or sponsor. We made presentations to school administrators and teachers, teaching them to identify drug and alcohol abuse. We give training to local businesses about their responsibilities in the sale of alcohol. We teach teen drivers about the dangers of drinking, speed, and distraction while operating a car. Other community events we are involved with include Leadership Wooster, serving on various school committees, making presentations to Eagle Scouts, assisting Meals On Wheels, bell ringing for the Salvation Army and participating in a law enforcement booth at the Wayne County Fair.

One event this year involved the entire department. President Bush's motorcade came through the City in October. Every officer was on duty to provide the President with a safe and secure route. We were proud to assist in this visit and enjoyed the challenge. We were complimented by the Secret Service on our efforts.

Every day, the officers and staff of the Wooster Police Department serve the community and look forward to continuing that service.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen W. Thornton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stephen" being the most prominent.

Stephen W. Thornton  
Chief of Police

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# Wooster Police Department

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Wooster Police Department is to work in partnership with the citizens to provide a safe and secure community and to enhance the quality of life by providing fair and impartial law enforcement services and problem resolution.

### VALUES

*We value dignity and respect for all persons.*

*We value integrity and honesty as the basis for community trust*

*We value excellence and professional growth.*

*We value the highest standards of moral and ethical conduct.*

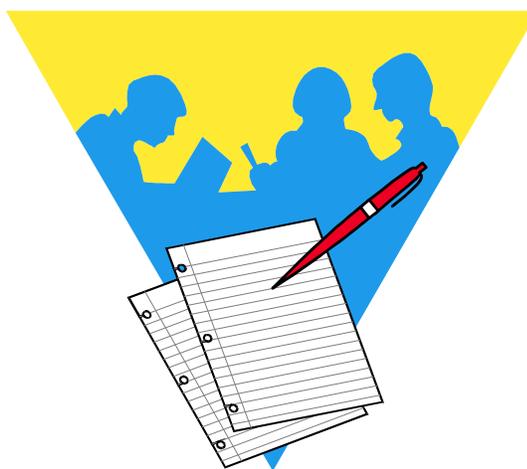
## WOOSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

<b>CHIEF</b>	Stephen Thornton	Administration
<b>CAPTAIN</b>	Donald Edwards Jr.	Administration / Polygraph Examiner
<b>LIEUTENANT</b>	Steven Glick	Patrol / Supervisor / SWAT
<b>LIEUTENANT</b>	John Quicci	Patrol / Supervisor / Honor Guard
<b>SERGEANT</b>	Greg Bolek	Patrol / Hostage Negotiator / Supervisor
<b>SERGEANT</b>	John Gianotto	Patrol / Supervisor
<b>SERGEANT</b>	Michael Jewell	Patrol / SWAT / Honor Guard / Supervisor
<b>SERGEANT</b>	H. Neil Jones	Detective Supervisor / Hostage Negotiator / CVSA Examiner
<b>SERGEANT</b>	Robert Merillat	Patrol / Supervisor / Firearms Instructor
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	William Belcher	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Walt Calame	Patrol / SWAT / Firearms Instructor
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Kristopher Conwill	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Matt Cruise	Patrol / CVSA Examiner / Honor Guard
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Eddie Dooley	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Jerome Fatzinger	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Matt Fisher	Patrol / Honor Guard / K-9 Unit
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	“Ringo”	Patrol / K-9 Unit
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	William Gilkison	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	James Goon	Patrol (Resigned)
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Chris Grabowski	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Dan Grande	Patrol / FTO
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Eric Gray	Patrol / FTO
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Donald Hall	Patrol / Honor Guard
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Brandon Heim	Patrol / Bicycle Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Terry Heim	Detective / Honor Guard / CVSA Examiner
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Rob Henderson	Patrol / SWAT
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	William Hofer	Detective / CVSA Examiner
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Doug Johnson	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	April Keener	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Anthony Lemmon	Patrol / Honor Guard / FTO
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Kenneth Linz	Community Relations Bureau / DARE
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Juan McCloud	Detective / Hostage Negotiator / CVSA Examiner
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Quinn McConnell	Patrol / Bicycle Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Victor Nedoma	Patrol / Bicycle Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Scott Rotolo	Patrol
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Ken Saal	Patrol / SWAT
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Joe Trudeau	Patrol (Resigned)
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Brian Waddell	Patrol / K-9 Unit / SWAT
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	“Quinto”	Patrol / K-9 Unit
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Tom Webber	Patrol / SWAT
<b>ADMIN. SUPERVISOR</b>	Karen Horst	Administration
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Cheryl Anderson	Administration
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Melissa Daniels	Administration
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Susan Starr	Administration
<b>PARKING ENFORCM'T</b>	Iretta McFadden	Administration
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Clint Bartolic	Patrol / Auxiliary
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Josh Brownson	Patrol / Auxiliary
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Beth Carr	Patrol / Auxiliary
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	Brad Eckert	Patrol / Auxiliary
<b>PATROLMAN</b>	William Whitmore	Patrol / Auxiliary

# **WOOSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **BUREAU & DIVISION REPORTS**

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# COMMUNITY RELATIONS BUREAU



The Community Relations Bureau had a busy year in 2004. Requests for speakers of various topics reached an all-time high. The topic of greatest demand was identity theft. As always, our community's interest mirrors that of the nation. Identity theft has become a major problem in the United States. This problem is costing the citizens billions of dollars. The best way to combat this epidemic is to educate the citizen on ways of protecting their personal information.

The Community Relations Bureau has also seen a rise in child passenger seat inspections due to the addition of brochures being placed at doctors' offices in the City.

The Neighborhood Watch Program has gained two new neighborhoods, increasing the eyes and ears of this Department. I attended several talks and meetings regarding this issue. Most evening programs are attended after hours with no cost to the Department.

The Community Relations Bureau has increased its presence at the junior high school level. I was able to help with an activity involving all seventh graders. This was a goal I had set last year to be accomplished in 2004.

Business training consisted of shoplifting issues, workplace violence, and building security. Many new businesses have come to the City and will be contacted and offered the services of the Wooster Police Department Community Relations.

--Patrolman Ken Linz  
Community Relations Bureau





## DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau was busy in 2004 investigating a variety of cases. The Detective Bureau is staffed with one sergeant and three detectives. Each detective is assigned specific cases to investigate and is "on-call" one week a month. Detectives work mostly felony cases and they are quite varied in nature. We investigate anything from homicides to burglaries and break-ins of businesses to sex crimes and thefts. Detectives also photograph and process evidence at crime scenes such as dusting for latent fingerprints, obtaining footwear impressions, and searching for objects that may contain DNA samples.



In January 2004, a detective investigated the tragic death of a 2-year-old male. The child had asphyxiated after becoming entangled in netting placed over the top of his playpen. After the investigation was completed, the case was presented to a Wayne County Grand Jury. The Grand Jury concluded that there was no criminal wrongdoing.

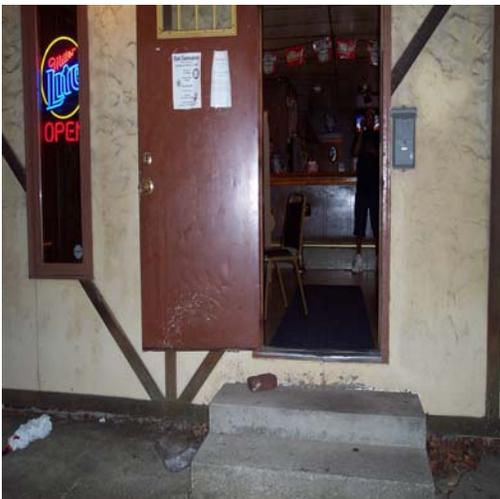


In February a detective was called out to assist patrol officers in an investigation of a breaking and entering at a local jewelry store. The offenders had smashed

out the front door glass, and upon entering the store, smashed several glass display cases, stealing a large amount of jewelry and watches. The store's audible alarm was going off which attracted the attention of some passersby.

One witness was able to describe the offenders' vehicle and, more importantly, the license number on the car. An alert was given out over the radio by the Justice Center dispatchers with the information provided, and later in the night the suspects were located in their car by a Medina County Sheriff's deputy at Interstate 71 and State Route 83. Two suspects were arrested and detectives obtained a search warrant for the car. Approximately half of the stolen jewelry was recovered from their vehicle. The two suspects were indicted for breaking and entering and theft. One of the suspects has since died and the other is awaiting trial.

Also in February an indictment for Attempted Murder was obtained for a suspect involved in the severe beating of a 26-year-old Wooster man that occurred in 2001. The victim was left for dead in the Shreve Wildlife Area just south of Wooster. Although the victim suffered multiple skull fractures and was in a coma for eight days, he has recovered. The suspect has fled the state and is currently being sought.



In May, detectives assisted patrol officers who were called to the scene of a shooting. A 31-year-old male was fatally injured outside a local bar. The 26-year-old male offender was apprehended while fleeing the scene by an officer on bicycle patrol. The murder weapon, a .22 caliber revolver, was recovered inside the offender's jacket. The suspect was charged with Aggravated Murder and later pled guilty to Involuntary Manslaughter and Having a Weapon While Under a Disability. The offender was convicted and sentenced to 14 years in prison.



In the above photos, Det. Terry Heim is processing a burglary scene for physical evidence. In all three photos he is obtaining blood samples left at the scene by the offender.



In this photo, Ptl. Ken Linz is loading a stolen lawn tractor onto a trailer during the execution of a search warrant by detectives, assisted by Dep. Tracey Slater of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

Here a detective has taken a close-up photo of a door which was pried open with some type of pry tool. The ruler is shown so that the width of the tool that made the mark is documented. Impressions of this tool mark could also be obtained to be used in comparison with a pry tool found in the possession of a suspect.





This is a still photo obtained from a TV and electric appliance store which was broken into in December. The suspect is shown entering the store after just having smashed out the front door glass. Although traffic was observed passing by the front of the store on the surveillance tape, apparently no one noticed the broken door glass or the suspects.



This photo shows a footprint in the snow at the scene of a burglary in December. The red coloring is an aerosol which was sprayed on the footprint to preserve it in preparation for making a plaster cast. Because the casting material is mixed with a liquid, direct application of the mixture would begin to melt the snow and result in a loss of tread detail. Although footprints are not as conclusive as fingerprints, valuable evidence can be obtained from wear patterns which tend to be more unique to one individual. One time there was a case made from a cast impression of a footprint when the suspect's shoes were matched to the cast. The suspect had at one time stepped on a piece of a red hot bolt which burned an impression of the threads into the rubber sole of one of his shoes. In that case, the footprint was as good as a fingerprint!

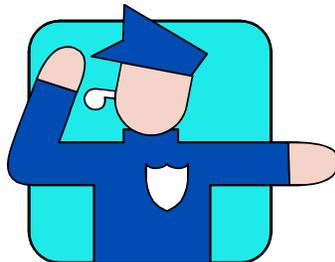
# PATROL DIVISION



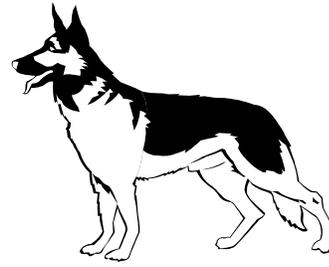
Twenty-nine of the current thirty-six sworn officers of the Wooster Police Division are assigned to uniformed patrol. The uniformed patrol officers are the first responders on all calls for service that the Division handles. These calls range from simple "cat stuck in a tree" to "homicide investigations". In 2004, they responded to 18,299 incidents, arrested 1,145 law violators, issued 2,833 citations and summoned 1,315 others.

Patrol officers need a wide range of knowledge and skill to provide competent service in all these areas. The Division continuously updates training and sends officers to advanced seminars to increase their skill levels. The Division also provides the most up-to-date equipment and tools to assist officers in performing their duties. In-car video and computer systems, video enhancement systems, evidence collection tools and advanced tasers are some examples.

The Division collaborates with other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to bring the best possible law enforcement service to our City. The uniformed patrol continues to strive for professional growth and excellence while dedicating themselves to serving the Wooster community.



# K-9 UNIT



2004 was another busy and successful year for the Wooster Police Canine Unit. Ptl. Matt Fisher, with his six-year-old partner Ringo, have now completed their fourth year of service to the department. They are happy to participate in work and community-related events with Ptl. Brian Waddell, and his partner, Quinto, who have just completed their first year of work on the road.

The canine units' daily activities in 2004 have included: building searches, tracking of criminals, preventative school searches, assistance in conducting search warrants, and successful seizures of narcotics. Not only have they assisted their fellow officers, but the canine units have also been called to participate in crime prevention with area cities and agencies, including Medway Drug Enforcement and the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Of note during the past year, Ptl. Fisher and Ringo seized 30 grams of crack cocaine, marijuana, and ecstasy during a local traffic stop. They also completed a successful search and apprehension of a burglary suspect "in the act" of stealing from a local business. Furthermore, Ringo was able to track and locate two theft suspects who fled from a crime scene when officers arrived.

During local community activities in 2004, residents and their family members continued to become familiar with what an invaluable asset the canine units are to the department. Local events have provided an opportunity for families to meet the dogs "up close" and learn more about their lives on and off the road. Given their number of years as partners, Ptl. Fisher and Ringo have become somewhat recognizable within the community, with Ptl. Fisher being recently stopped by a young child and asked, "Aren't you Ringo's dad?"



*Ringo*  
*Ringo*

# K-9 UNIT



As of November, Quinto has been working the streets for one year. During that time, Quinto has been used primarily for narcotics detection, both for vehicle and building searches for controlled substances. We continue to work with Medway and assist them with narcotics detection and investigation. We have also assisted several surrounding agencies whenever the K-9 has been requested. On several occasions, narcotics and/or paraphernalia have been located. Quinto has successfully assisted sheriff deputies in locating a suspect after a vehicle pursuit ended with the suspect fleeing from officers through a corn field. On the evening of Christmas, we were asked to assist the concerned parents of a 42-year-old diabetic who went hiking in Spangler Park and had become lost. After a short search, the lost hiker was located.

Quinto is now 2-½ years old and is in great health. We continue to train on a regular basis along with other K-9 teams from the surrounding areas; such as Holmes County Sheriff's Office, Ashland Police Department, and Brook Park Police Department. Through this cooperation, all K-9 teams have gotten better, through more realistic training and experience.



Quinto  
Quinto

# S.W.A.T. TEAM

The Wooster Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team consists of nine (9) officers. Each officer receives special training in tactics and weapons use that are needed for the high risk situations the Team is used for. These incidents include warrant service, hostage situations, and barricaded subjects.

The SWAT Team is used to serve arrest and search warrants when there is a high possibility the suspect(s) may be armed or violent resistance may be encountered. In hostage and barricade situations, the Team secures the area and works with the hostage negotiators to resolve the situation. If necessary, the Team can use various tactical means to end the incident.

Officers who are interested in volunteering for the SWAT Team must apply for the position. Officers are selected based on a number of criteria including disciplinary record, firearms proficiency, physical fitness and experience. Once officers are selected, they attend a basic SWAT school at a qualified academy.

Since the equipment and tactics used are specialized and the situations the Team faces are never "routine", on-going training is conducted every other month. Officers also attend outside training as the need arises. This year, Captain Mark Heimer of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department returned to Wooster to assist in training for two days. Captain Heimer does this without compensation. This was the fourth trip in five years.

The Wooster Police Department SWAT Team will continue to prepare to handle any incident which may arise.



Members of the SWAT Team along with Captain Mark Heimer

# PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN DURING TRAINING EXERCISES



# **SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS TEAM**

**Lt. Steve Glick, Commander**



## **TEAM MEMBERS**

**Sgt. Mike Jewell, Team Leader**

**Sgt. Bob Merillat, Sniper**

**Ptl. Walt Calame**

**Ptl. Rob Henderson**

**Ptl. Victor Nedoma**

**Ptl. Ken Saal**

**Ptl. Brian Waddell**

**Ptl. Tom Webber**

We would like to thank Lieutenant John Quicci and Patrolmen Eric Gray, Matt Cruise and Tony Lemmon for their years of service.

We would also like to thank Chief Thornton and Captain Edwards for their continued support of the SWAT Team.

## **HOSTAGE NEGOTIATION TEAM**

**Detective Sgt. Neil Jones**

**Sgt. Greg Bolek**

**Det. Juan McCloud**

# DRUG ENFORCEMENT

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The Wooster Police Department continues its efforts to control the use, sale, and possession of illegal drugs in the community in 2004. One hundred fifty-two suspects were charged with 197 drug violations during the year. In addition to these individual arrests, members of the Department assisted the MEDWAY Drug Enforcement Agency in serving 21 search warrants in the City. Members of the Department also assisted MEDWAY during investigations and by assisting in surveillances. Our K9 units assisted MEDWAY and other area law enforcement agencies in Wayne and surrounding counties.

This past year, the Wooster Police Department began a policy of seizing and obtaining money that was used in drug transactions. The seized money can be forfeited in civil proceedings to the Department after judicial review through the state and federal court systems. A total of \$9,540 was seized this past year. This money goes into special accounts and by law must be used in the fight against drug abuse. The money can be used for education, equipment and training but cannot pay personnel costs.

Although the drugs most commonly found are marijuana, crack cocaine and powder cocaine, an investigation revealed the sale of heroin in the City. There appears to be a growing number of users of heroin, and a fair quantity of the drug was seized in a raid this year. Other drugs that have been encountered include psychedelic mushrooms, LSD, and methamphetamines. There were also a number of cases involving the illegal use of prescription drugs.

Lieutenant Steve Glick completed his seventh year as part of a county-wide task force that meets weekly to discuss the drug problems in our county and the surrounding area. State officers from Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, the Ohio State Highway Patrol, and the Ohio Department of Public Safety also participate. The Department will continue to work with local, state, and federal officials to combat the drug problem.





## **HONOR GUARD MEMBERS**

**LT. JOHN QUICCI**

**SGT. MIKE JEWELL**

**PTL. TONY LEMMON**

**PTL. DON HALL**

**DET. TERRY HEIM**

**PTL. MATT CRUISE**

**PTL. BILL BELCHER**

**PTL. SCOTT ROTOLO**

The Honor Guard was formed in the spring of 1999. Consisting of eight members, its purpose is to represent the Wooster Police Department by carrying the colors during parades, special events, flag raising ceremonies, and to participate in the funerals of law enforcement officers.

Honor Guard members volunteer their time to practice and participate in events. Each year since 2001, the Honor Guard has attended and participated in ceremonies during Police Week at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C., as well as state and local memorials, parades, and special events. In 2004, Honor Guard members held a steak fry to assist in raising money for the Washington, D.C. trip. With this first steak fry being a success, they hope to continue it as an annual event.

### **2004 Events:**

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|-------------|---|
| May 1       | Steak Fry   |
| May 6       | London Ohio Memorial Service for slain Ohio officers              |
| May 13-15   | National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, Washington, D.C.      |
| May 23      | Wayne County Memorial Service                                     |
| May 31      | Wooster Memorial Day Parade                                       |
| June 26     | West Salem Town and Country Day Parade                            |
| June 29     | Orrville 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade                           |
| August 22   | Presented colors for National Anthem at Akron Aeros baseball game |
| Dec. 16, 22 | Bell ringing for Salvation Army                                   |

# WOOSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

## STATISTICAL TABLES

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## COMPARISON OF MAJOR OFFENSES BY MONTH - 2003/2004

MONTH	CRIMINAL HOMICIDE		RAPE		ROBBERY		ASSAULT		BURGLARY		THEFT		AUTO THEFT		TOTAL	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
JAN	1	0	3	3	5	3	1	0	15	32	66	70	3	10	94	118
FEB	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	15	20	65	59	6	4	87	88
MAR	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	18	9	61	70	8	7	89	90
APR	0	0	5	2	1	0	1	0	12	12	93	86	6	4	118	104
MAY	0	1	5	3	4	0	3	1	12	14	67	81	4	3	95	103
JUN	0	0	3	2	0	1	3	2	23	23	100	79	5	5	134	112
JUL	0	0	3	3	0	2	1	0	11	20	73	119	6	3	94	147
AUG	0	0	1	4	1	2	1	0	16	23	55	92	5	3	79	124
SEP	1	0	1	2	1	2	1	1	12	21	76	82	8	1	100	109
OCT	0	0	4	3	2	2	1	0	17	15	110	81	8	9	142	110
NOV	0	0	2	2	2	1	1	0	30	13	82	76	2	6	119	98
DEC	0	0	4	2	2	1	0	1	26	24	92	93	6	7	130	128

## **2004 DETECTIVE BUREAU STATISTICS**

	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>CASES INVESTIGATED</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>CASES CLEARED</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>CASES MADE INACTIVE</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>FELONY CASES</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>68</b>
<b>MISDEMEANOR CASES</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>NUMBER OF PERSONS CHARGED</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>VIDEOTAPES PROCESSED</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>CVSA TESTS CONDUCTED</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>CASES UNDER INVESTIGATION</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>BUREAU MANPOWER</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>CASE CLEARANCE RATE</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>80%</b>

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS BUREAU SUMMARY OF 2004 ACTIVITIES

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PERSONS</u>
Tours of Justice Center	15	116
Business Training	6	42
Speeches (Various Topics)	11	230
Pre-School Programs	12	387
Grade School Programs	41	3705
Junior High Programs	3	139
High School Programs	3	177
College Programs	2	49
Ohio Crime Prevention Meetings	2	
Pamphlets Distributed		500
Training Schools Attended	2	
Victims of Crime Application Checks	4	
Crime Prevention Display	4	1500
Juvenile Expungement Checks	0	
Solicitor Checks	24	
City Volunteer Background Checks	5	

## STATISTICS

### STOLEN & RECOVERED PROPERTY - 2004

	LOSS	RECOVERED	RECOVERY % *
CURRENCY / CREDIT CARDS / CHECKS	\$ 227,742	\$ 5,111	2%
PERSONAL PAPERS / OTH PERSONAL	\$ 2,590	\$ 159	6%
JEWELRY	\$ 113,521	\$ 23,351	21%
CLOTHING / FURS	\$ 9,827	\$ 3,977	40%
PURSES / WALLETS	\$ 6,134	\$ 813	13%
HOUSEHOLD GOODS	\$ 12,023	\$ 2,633	22%
OTHER VALUABLES	\$ 6,130	\$ 1,539	25%
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ 31,277	\$ 3,100	10%
TV / RADIO / STEREO/CELL PHONES	\$ 29,202	\$ 1,363	5%
PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT	\$ 3,047	\$ 31	1%
CD / AUDIO & VIDEO TAPES	\$ 31,589	\$ 3,165	10%
SPORTS EQUIPMENT	\$ 5,708	\$ 469	8%
OTHER EQUIPMENT	\$ 11,744	\$ 4,971	42%
TOOLS	\$ 146,076	\$ 3,995	3%
AUTO PARTS	\$ 32,385	\$ 360	1%
CONSUMABLE GOODS	\$ 11,416	\$ 959	8%
PETS / ANIMALS	\$ 875	\$ -	0%
SCHOOL SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ -	
AUTOS & OTHER VEHICLES	\$ 117,135	\$ 225,600	193%
BICYCLES	\$ 8,510	\$ 1,000	12%
FIREARMS	\$ 1,466	\$ 186	13%
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 67,747	\$ 3,529	5%
VIDEO GAMES	\$ 17,667	\$ 66	0%
TOTAL LOSS	\$ 893,811		
TOTAL RECOVERED		\$ 286,377	
PERCENT RECOVERED			32%

\*All percentages are rounded off.

<b>ARRESTS, CITATIONS &amp; SUMMONS - 2004</b>						
	2003 ARRESTS	2004 ARRESTS	2003 CITATIONS	2004 CITATIONS	2003 SUMMONS	2004 SUMMONS
<b>ADULTS</b>						
<b>MALE</b>	759	874	1980	1711	737	839
<b>FEMALE</b>	207	216	1086	949	210	234
<b>JUVENILES</b>						
<b>MALE</b>	72	33	110	106	179	181
<b>FEMALE</b>	46	22	56	56	100	61
<b>TOTALS</b>	1084	1145	3232	2822	1226	1315

This is a summary listing the number of persons arrested and cited into court.

Offenders are categorized according to age group (adult or juvenile) and sex.

<b>WARRANTS FOR ARREST - 2004</b>	
NUMBER OF ACTIVE WARRANTS ON FILE AT WPD	566
NUMBER OF WARRANTS SERVED BY WPD	640



# 2004 Calls for Service by Category

CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	1
RAPE	27
ROBBERY	17
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	5
BURGLARY	321
LARCENY	
Shoplifting	201
Auto Accessories/Personal Property	982
Forgery	41
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	99
ALARMS	1554
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	184
Bites	20
Dog Barking	110
Running at Large	0
Cruelty to Animals	1
ARSON	12
ASSAULT	312
Resisting and Obstructing Intimidation	24
Menacing	396
Menacing	69
ASSIST (Medical/House/Vehicle Entry)	64
Assist Other Departments	442
Funeral Escorts	93

Money Escorts	158
CIVIL PROBLEMS/NEIGHBOR DISPUTES	249
CIVIL STANDBY	202
COUNTERFEITING	12
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	93
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	107
SUDDEN DEATH	
Natural	20
Suicide	5
Attempted Suicide	85
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	503
Refusal to Leave	189
DISTURBING THE PEACE	
Permit Excessive Noise	573
Disrupt Public Service	0
Make False Alarms/Induce Panic	7
DRUG COMPLAINTS	
Abuse/Possession	162
All Others	99
ESCAPE	2
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY	
Domestic	693
Abuse-Neglect	118
Abduction	0
Interfere w/Custody	69
Kidnapping	0
FALSIFICATION	76
FRAUD	0
Bad Checks	110
GAMBLING	0
IMPERSONATING OFFICER	0

INFORMATION	264
JUVENILE COMPLAINT	605
Curfew	23
Missing/Runaway	164
LIQUOR VIOLATIONS	
Underage Consumption	56
Open Container	65
Drunkenness	62
Prohibitions	3
LITTERING	22
MENTAL PROFILE	133
MESSAGE DELIVERY/WELFARE CHECK	261
MISCELLANEOUS/OTHER	145
MISSING PERSONS	51
PROBATION/PAROLE VIOLATIONS	6
FOUND PROPERTY	333
LOST PROPERTY	121
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY	8
RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY	21
SEX OFFENSES	35
Indecent Exposure	25
Gross Sexual Imposition	13
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	1098
TELEPHONE HARASSMENT	224
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	1145
TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	
Abandon/Disabled Vehicle	530
Traffic Detail/Stop/Hazard	2534
School Bus Violation	13

VANDALISM	491
VIOLATE PROTECTION ORDER	23
WARRANT ARRESTS	696
EXECUTION OF SEARCH WARRANT	48
WEAPONS VIOLATIONS	
Discharge Firearms	33
Carrying Concealed Weapon	2

# PARKING ENFORCEMENT - 2004

## TICKETS ISSUED

## FINES PAID

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<i>MONTH</i>										
JAN	150	228	179	125	115	2265	1845	1530	3000	3020
FEB	200	259	198	231	322	2040	2055	1970	2735	3255
MAR	125	170	194	213	276	1745	1502	1250	2205	3130
APR	172	381	186	128	401	1490	2683	1780	1780	2840
MAY	128	272	224	283	166	1920	2435	2075	2330	1925
JUN	231	187	156	153	262	1780	1480	1160	1510	1715
JUL	214	94	179	219	217	1690	960	1430	2725	1220
AUG	259	195	202	221	234	2130	1760	1370	2785	1120
SEP	230	155	307	194	298	3070	2795	3360	2975	3645
OCT	317	115	330	289	239	3336	1715	2110	2210	1540
NOV	205	165	234	212	264	1725	1400	2125	2105	2246
DEC	113	148	50	135	220	1815	1750	865	1790	2170
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2344</b>	<b>2369</b>	<b>2439</b>	<b>2403</b>	<b>3014</b>	<b>25006</b>	<b>22380</b>	<b>21025</b>	<b>28150</b>	<b>27826</b>



# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SURVEY

The following is a breakdown of the traffic charges filed in the Wayne County Municipal and Juvenile Courts by the Wooster Police Department during 2004, with comparison to the year 2003

VIOLATION	2003	2004
SPEED	720	600
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	280	208
WRONG WAY-ONE WAY	15	13
IMPROPER TURN	35	67
IMPROPER LANE CHANGE	67	49
IMPROPER STARTING / BACKING	73	70
IMPROPER PASSING	18	11
SCHOOL BUS VIOLATION	11	8
HIT / SKIP	21	30
FAILURE TO YIELD	93	57
ASSURED CLEAR DISTANCE	206	204
EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	19	21
SEAT BELTS - DRIVER	369	431
SEAT BELTS - PASSENGER	28	32
CHILD RESTRAINTS	6	7
RIDE OUTSIDE VEHICLE	1	4
NO OPERATORS LICENSE	174	109
DRIVING UNDER SUSPENSION	443	382
RECKLESS OPERATION	19	17
FAILURE TO CONTROL	104	99
CRUISING	0	3
LOUD MUSIC FROM VEHICLE	79	32
SQUEAL TIRES	16	13
DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED	169	153
EXPIRED OR MISSING VEHICLE PLATES	210	151
FICTITIOUS PLATES	18	19
MISC. UNCLASSIFIED	39	33
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3233</b>	<b>2823</b>



# TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

	OFFICIAL						COURTESY					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>JAN</b>	83	65	63	71	86	60	2	2	4	4	3	7
<b>FEB</b>	101	63	59	74	68	51	3	1	4	2	2	3
<b>MAR</b>	81	49	62	79	57	60	7	2	1	7	3	6
<b>APR</b>	94	73	75	61	44	55	8	4	0	8	0	4
<b>MAY</b>	102	85	66	81	57	58	8	2	1	3	5	7
<b>JUN</b>	98	66	67	62	62	56	4	1	3	3	3	1
<b>JUL</b>	101	50	69	55	80	60	2	0	2	5	3	3
<b>AUG</b>	76	47	82	55	74	80	4	0	2	1	6	1
<b>SEP</b>	67	77	61	63	57	70	6	2	3	0	3	0
<b>OCT</b>	113	71	80	58	72	62	2	3	3	3	1	5
<b>NOV</b>	124	66	68	65	82	65	2	4	4	1	6	1
<b>DEC</b>	80	99	86	67	78	81	3	2	1	5	3	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	1120	811	838	791	817	758	51	23	28	42	38	41

	PERSONS INJURED						PEDESTRIANS INJURED					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>JAN</b>	22	12	7	9	17	8	0	2	0	0	1	1
<b>FEB</b>	26	10	7	21	14	9	1	3	0	1	0	1
<b>MAR</b>	28	9	9	20	19	15	0	0	0	2	1	0
<b>APR</b>	34	9	12	4	13	14	1	2	1	2	0	0
<b>MAY</b>	31	11	10	19	13	10	0	0	1	1	2	1
<b>JUN</b>	26	13	13	13	18	19	1	2	1	0	0	0
<b>JUL</b>	29	9	14	17	18	15	0	0	3	0	1	0
<b>AUG</b>	24	8	11	16	21	17	0	1	2	1	1	1
<b>SEP</b>	31	13	12	16	16	16	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>OCT</b>	34	14	9	9	26	14	1	0	1	3	1	1
<b>NOV</b>	54	11	7	13	19	14	1	0	2	0	2	0
<b>DEC</b>	12	18	9	11	17	11	1	0	1	1	1	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	351	137	120	168	211	162	7	10	12	11	10	5

# VEHICLE IMPOUNDMENT - 2004

MONTH	2003 CARS TOWED	2003 CARS RELEASED	2004 CARS TOWED	2004 CARS RELEASED
JANUARY	17	23	13	07
FEBRUARY	16	19	17	18
MARCH	11	15	21	21
APRIL	20	25	20	17
MAY	21	23	23	21
JUNE	10	16	19	16
JULY	22	18	10	19
AUGUST	15	16	15	10
SEPTEMBER	25	21	11	11
OCTOBER	11	16	21	35
NOVEMBER	16	21	11	11
DECEMBER	12	15	30	16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>202</b>

## CARS SOLD AT AUCTION

CAR SALES	INCOME
1	\$325.00

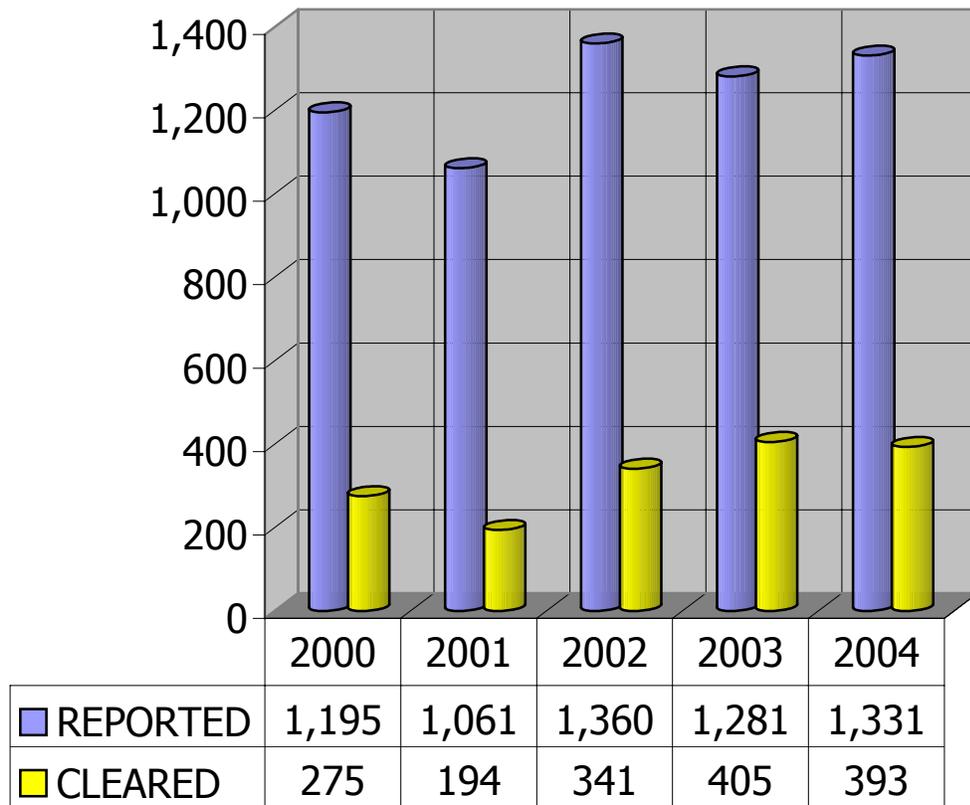
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## STATISTICAL CHARTS

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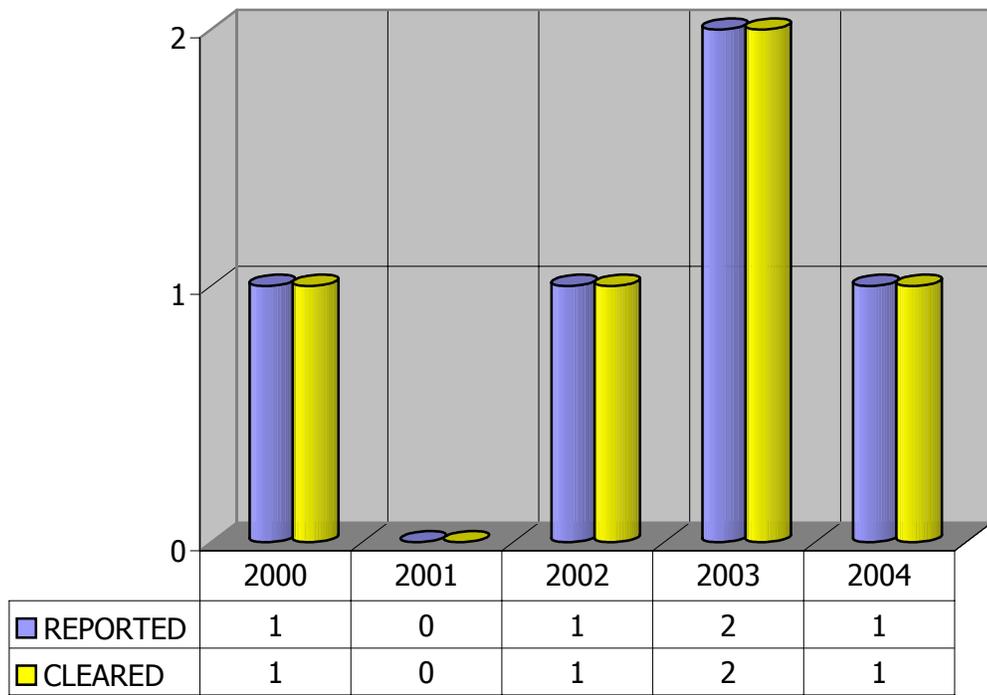


## 2004 MAJOR OFFENSES

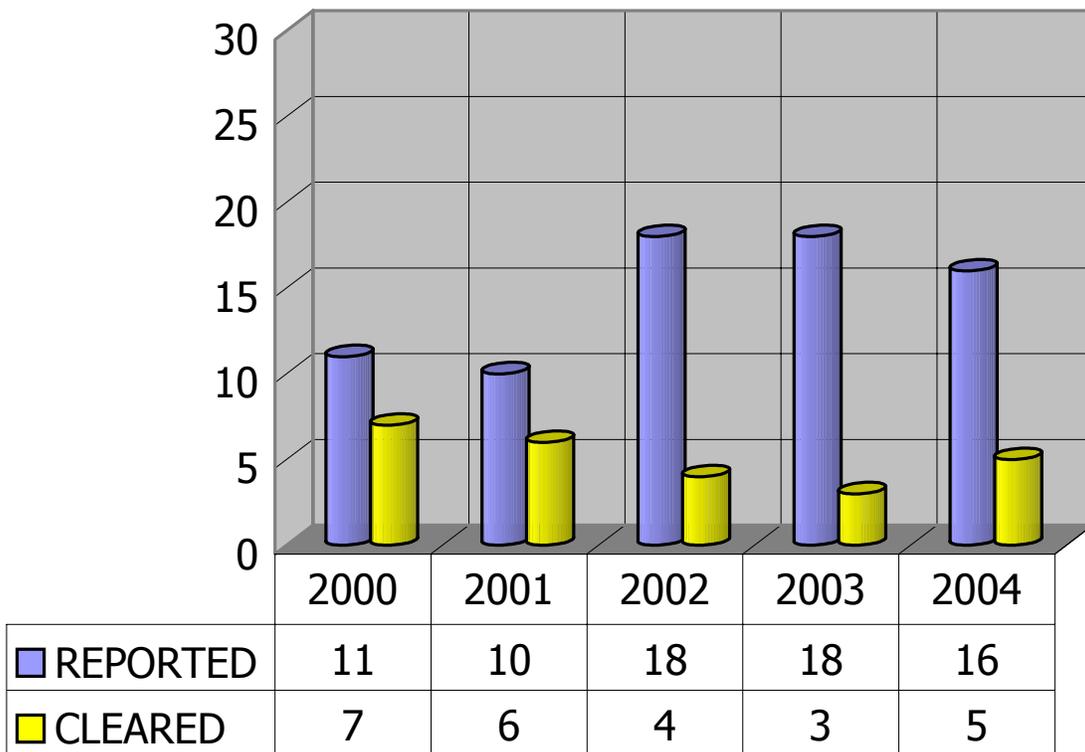


Major offenses include  
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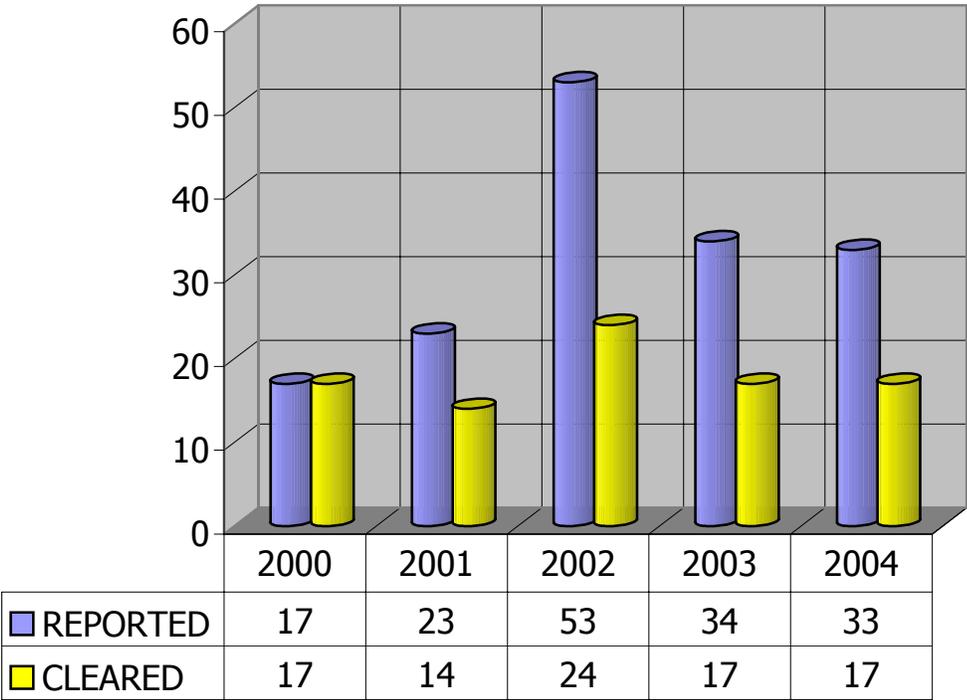
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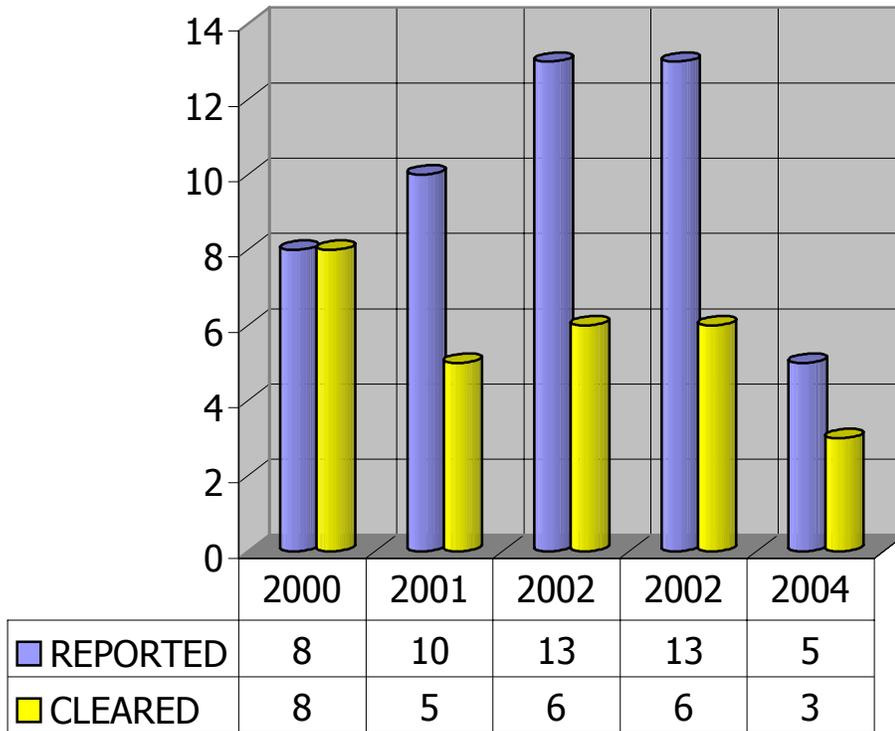
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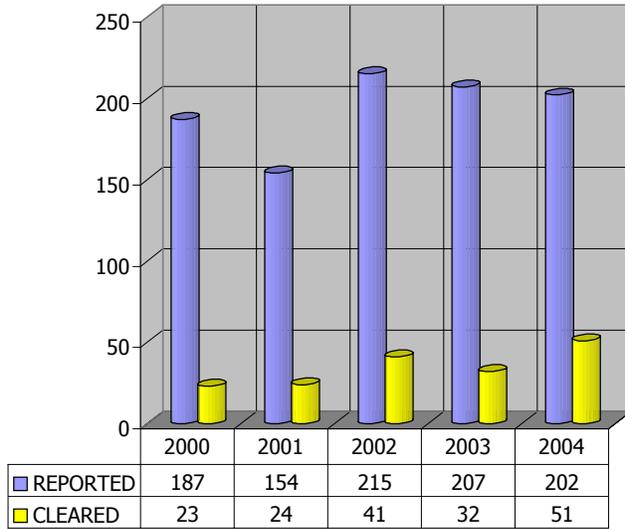
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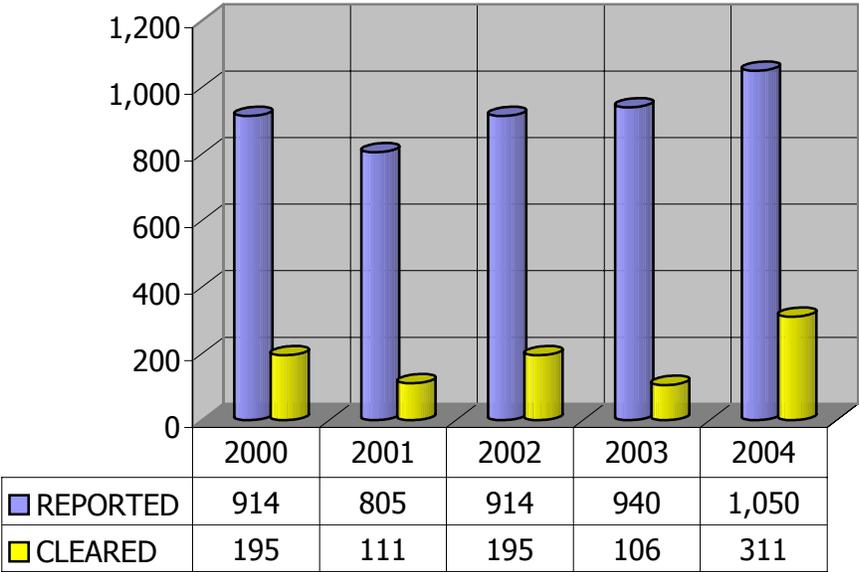
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## BURGLARY OFFENSES



# THEFT OFFENSES

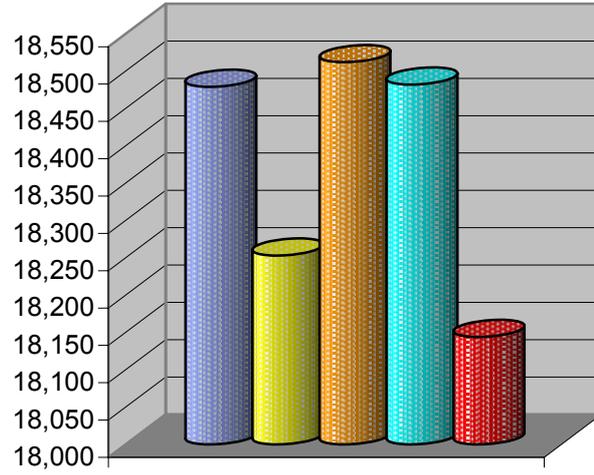


## PART I OFFENSES 2004

			PERCENT
	2003	2004	DIFFERENCE
<b>HOMICIDE</b>	2	1	-50%
<b>RAPE</b>	34	33	-3%
<b>ROBBERY</b>	18	16	-11%
<b>FELONIOUS ASSAULT</b>	13	5	-62%
<b>BURGLARY</b>	207	226	+9%
<b>THEFT</b>	940	988	+5%
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b>	67	62	-7%
<b>TOTALS</b>	1281	1331	+4%

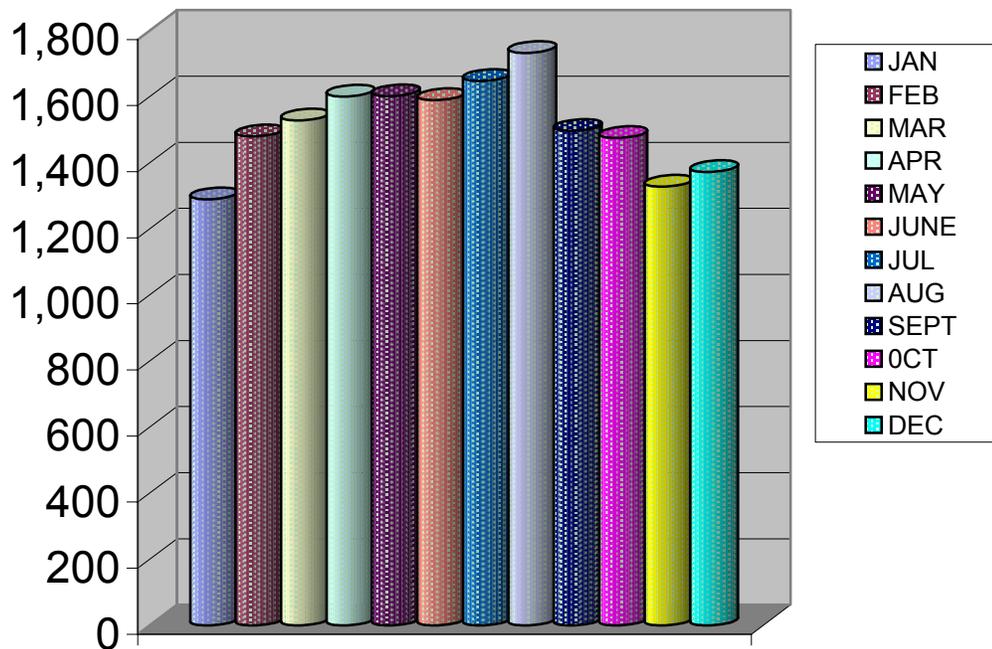
\*Note: Percentages are rounded.

## CALLS FOR SERVICE



2000	18,479
2001	18,253
2002	18,512
2003	18,482
2004	18,144

## CALLS DISPATCHED BY MONTH

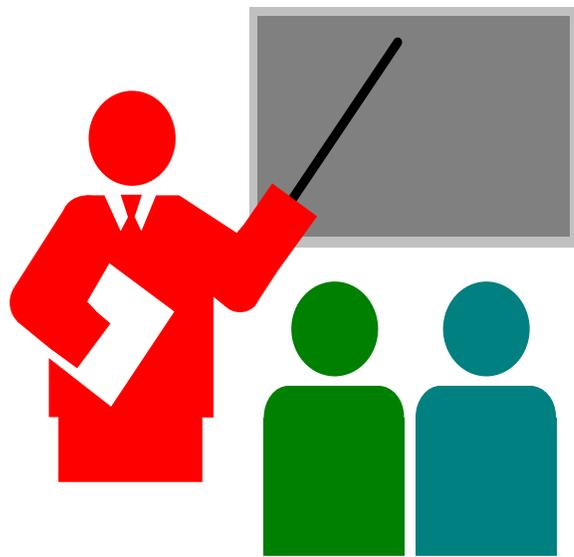


**2004 TOTAL: 18,144**

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## TRAINING

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## 2004 TRAINING

<b>DATE</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
January 5-6	Ptl. Webber Ptl. Keener Ptl. Rotolo	BAC Datamaster
January 13-16	Ptl. Henderson	Internet Investigations I
January 20-23	Ptl. Linz	National Leadership Forum
February 10-11	Ptl. Calame Ptl. Fisher	Advanced Taser X26-M26 Instructor
March 8-9	Ptl. Conwill	BAC Datamaster
March 15	Sgt. Merillat Sgt. Jewell Lt. Glick Lt. Quicci	Regional Conceal Carry Weapon Law
March 25	Sgt. Bolek Sgt. Gianotto	Regional Conceal Carry Weapon Law
March 23	Captain Edwards Lt. Quicci Ptl. Grabowski Ptl. Linz	Coalition Helping Elder Citizens Keep Savings
March 25	Ptl. Henderson Ptl. Saal	Child Sexual Abuse
April 5-7	Ptl. Webber	Reid Technique of Interviewing And Interrogation

<b>DATE</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
April 12-16	Sgt. Jewell	Police Executive Leadership
April 18-19	Lt. Quicci Susan Starr	Public Records Workshop
April 21	Cheryl Anderson Melissa Daniels Iretta McFadden Susan Starr	Administrative Professional's Day
April 21-23	Sgt. Jones	Midwest Association of Voice Stress Analysts
May 3-4	Ptl. Conwill	BAC Datamaster
May 12-13	Cheryl Anderson	Property Room Management
May 4-7	Ptl. Linz	Ohio Police Juvenile Officers' Association
May 10-11	Ptl. Conwill Ptl. Waddell	Emergency Response & Pursuit
May 12	Chief Thornton Lt. Quicci Sgt. Jones	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
June 7-11	Ptl. Brandon Heim	Police Mountain Bike Patrol
June 15-17	Ptl. Fisher	Marijuana Identification
July 13-16	Chief Thornton Captain Edwards	Ohio Association Chief's of Police Annual Conference
July 26-28	Ptl. Hall Ptl. Linz	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual TEAM Ohio Conference "Child Passenger Safety"
August 11	Entire Department	"Downed Wires" –Safety Training

<b>DATE</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
Sept – March	Captain Edwards Lt. Quicci	Leadership Wooster
September 8-10	Sgt. Jones Det. Heim	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Violent Crimes Conference
September 13-15	Ptl. Keener Ptl. Fatzinger	Reid Technique for Child Abuse Investigations
September 24	Ptl. McConnell Ptl. Grabowski Ptl. Gray Ptl. Saal	Tactical Pistol Course
September 29-30	Sgt. Bolek Sgt. Gianotto	Domestic Violence – Train the Trainer
October 4-8	Ptl. Saal Ptl. Webber	Basic Swat Training
October 7	Ptl. Grande	Connecting Issues: Domestic Violence in our Community
October 10-12	Sgt. Quicci	Traffic Institute – Retraining Seminar
October 13-15	Chief Thornton Sgt. Bolek Sgt. Jewell Sgt. Merillat	Attorney General’s Annual Conference
October 18-19	Ptl. Belcher Ptl. Brandon Heim	Emergency Response & Pursuit
October 24-25	Melissa Daniels	Public Records Workshop
October 25-29	Ptl. Lemmon	Field Training Officer
October 27-29	Ptl. Waddell	Marijuana Identification

<b>DATE</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
October 27-29	Det. Heim Det. McCloud	Voice Stress Analysts Seminar
November 1-5	Ptl. Nedoma Ptl. Saal	Tactical Sub-Machine Gun
November 10	Sgt. Bolek	Death Notification
November 14-15	Cheryl Anderson Sgt. Bolek Sgt. Jewell	Public Records Workshop
November 13-17	Captain Edwards	International Association of Chief's Of Police Conference
December 13-17	Chief Thornton	Forty-Hour Instructor Skills Course
December 14-15	Entire Department	Firearms Training Systems Technology
December 20	Ptl. Linz	Instructor School for I-Safe Training