



Gatesville Police Department

2025 Annual Report

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Message from the Chief



It is an honor and true privilege to have been chosen in December 2024 to lead the men and women of the Gatesville Police Department. The past year has brought new and exciting changes to the department with a new vision and mission statement “Gatesville PD is committed to building trust within our community by upholding the highest standards of honor, integrity, respect, and accountability. Through fair, compassionate service and a steadfast dedication to public safety, we strive to protect and partner with the citizens of Gatesville”

I hope you enjoy reviewing the Gatesville Police Department Annual Report for 2025. The report provides insight into the crime and call load trends. It shows the work that the dedicated men and women of the department diligently strive to complete in a professional manner. The report also contains the department’s racial profiling data that is directed by law.

Gatesville Police Department

Jeff Clark

Captain Keith Mueller

Jessica Stiles

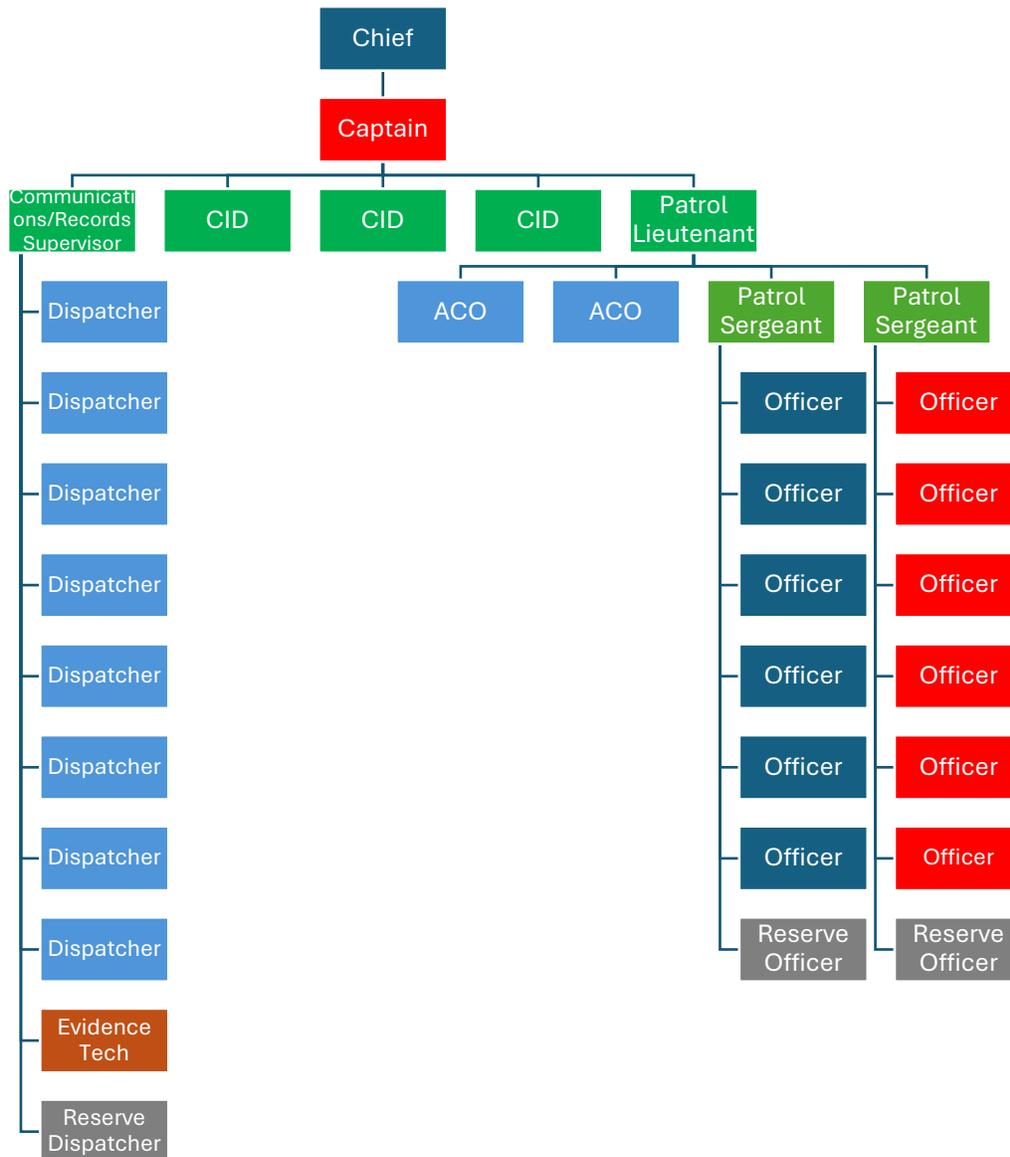
Sid Post

Chief of Police

CID Commander

Communication Supervisor

Patrol Lieutenant



20-Sworn
 12-Non-Sworn
 32-Total

City of Gatesville Demographics

Population estimates, July 1, 2024, (V2024)

16,388

PEOPLE

Race and Hispanic Origin

White alone, percent	57.5%
Black alone, percent (a) (a)	15.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent (a) (a)	1.1%
Asian alone, percent (a) (a)	1.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent (a) (a)	0.1%
Two or More Races, percent	19.5%
Hispanic or Latino, percent (b) (b)	25.9%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent	50.1%

Estimated median household income in 2023: \$60,095 (it was \$29,534 in 2000)

Gatesville: \$60,095

TX: \$75,780

Estimated per capita income in 2023: \$18,842 (it was \$11,152 in 2000)

Families & Living Arrangements

Households, 2019-2023	3,190
Persons per household, 2019-2023	2.15
Living in the same house 1 year ago, percent of persons age 1 year+ , 2019-2023	73.2%
Language other than English spoken at home, percent of persons age 5 years+, 2019-2023	20.1%

Age

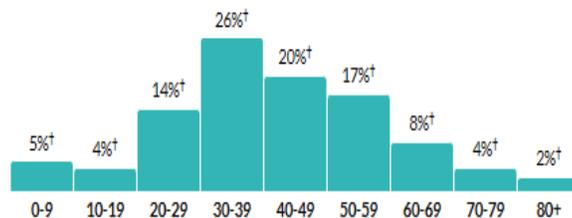
40.4

Median age

about 25 percent higher than the figure in the Killeen-Temple, TX Metro Area: 32.6

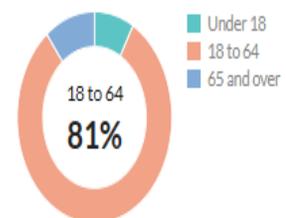
about 10 percent higher than the figure in Texas: 35.5

Population by age range



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Population by age category

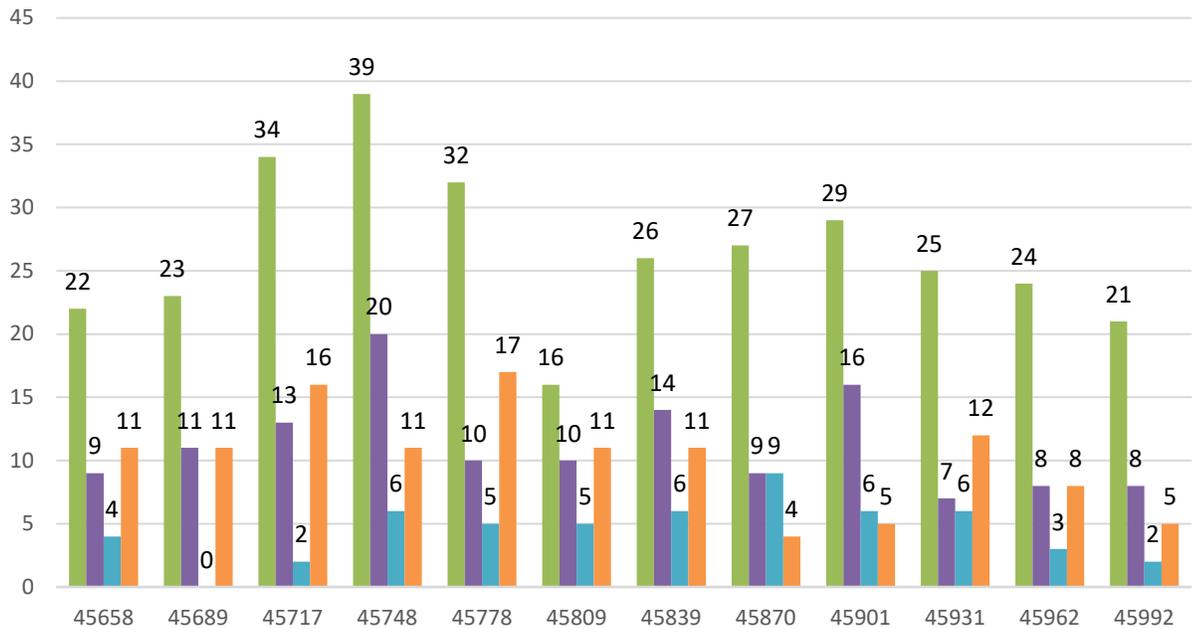


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Department Activity

The police department responded to 24,420 total calls for service in 2025, which includes 5,938 calls to respond from citizens and 18,482 calls that were self-initiated activity. Officers generated 846 written reports in 2025. Officers made 318 arrests of offenders with a total of 455 offense charges in 2025.

GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT PAST 12 MONTHS' ACTIVITY REPORT



	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25
TOTAL ARRESTS	22	23	34	39	32	16	26	27	29	25	24	21
PERSON CRIME REPORT	9	11	13	20	10	10	14	9	16	7	8	8
DRUG/NARC ARRESTS	4	0	2	6	5	5	6	9	6	6	3	2
PROPERTY CRIME REPORTS	11	11	16	11	17	11	11	4	5	12	8	5

Crime Trends- Statistics

The Gatesville Police Department submits required crime data to the State of Texas on a monthly basis, which is entered into the National Incident Based Reporting System known as NIBRS. NIBRS is a reporting system through which data is collected on each crime occurrence. The reporting system gives more specificity in reporting offenses and collects detailed information regarding crime.

Part 1 Crimes

To track the existing crime trends in the city, the department conducts a monthly account for the Part 1 crimes that occur in the city. Acting as a general indicator of all reported crime, this data is intended only to summarize the overall crime trends. The data compiled in these reports assists in a year-to-year analysis of crime trends in the City of Gatesville.

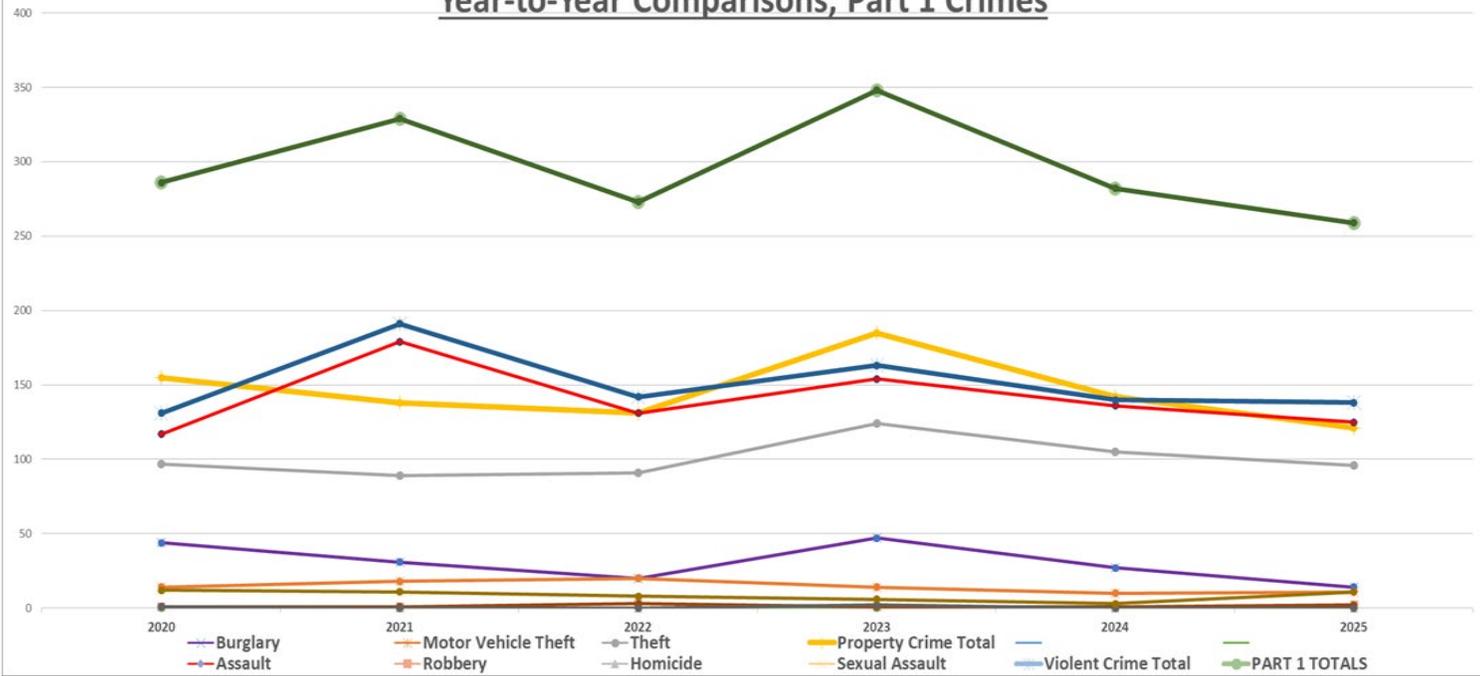
Part 1 property crimes are: Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Larceny (Theft). Included in Burglary is both residential and commercial properties. Larceny includes all thefts, whether they are from businesses, residences, and from a motor vehicle.

Part 1 violent crimes are: Assault, Robbery, Homicide, and Sexual Assault. Assault includes misdemeanor, family violence, and felony assault.

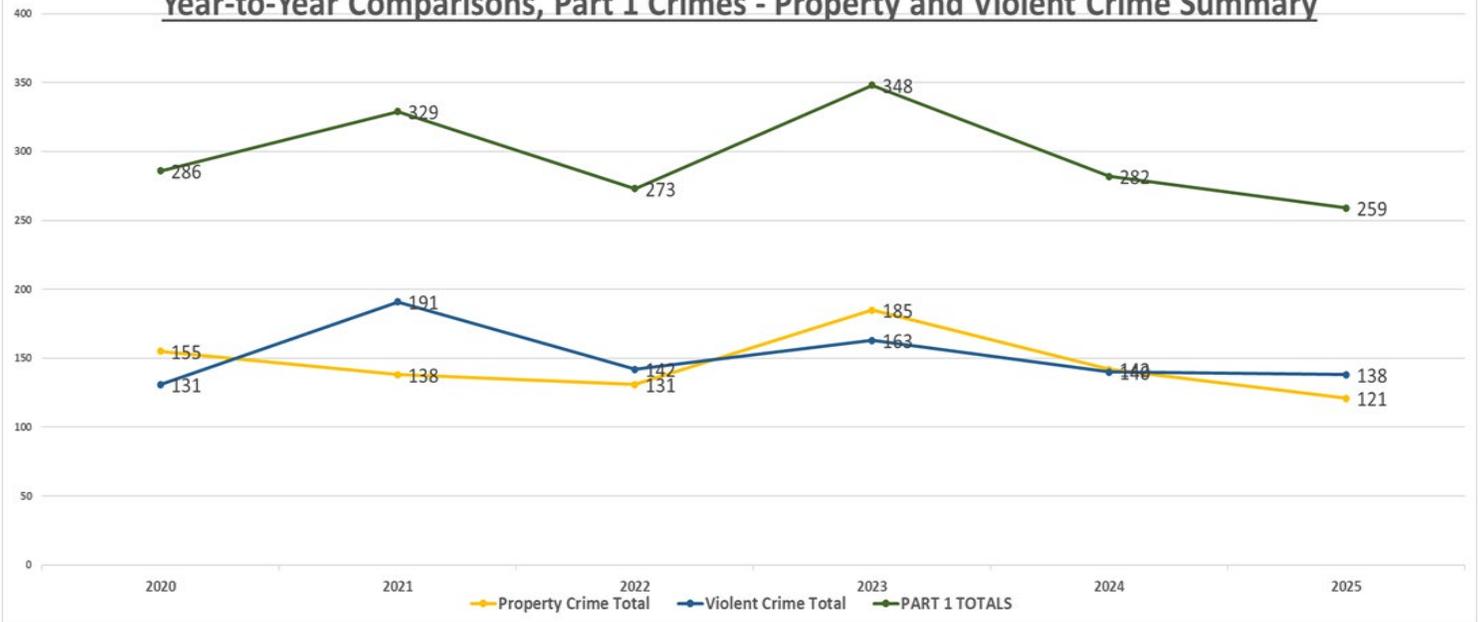
Not included in these metrics are such crimes as property damage, Driving While Intoxicated, Trespassing offenses, and disturbances of the peace.

Crime Trends- NIBRS

Year-to-Year Comparisons, Part 1 Crimes

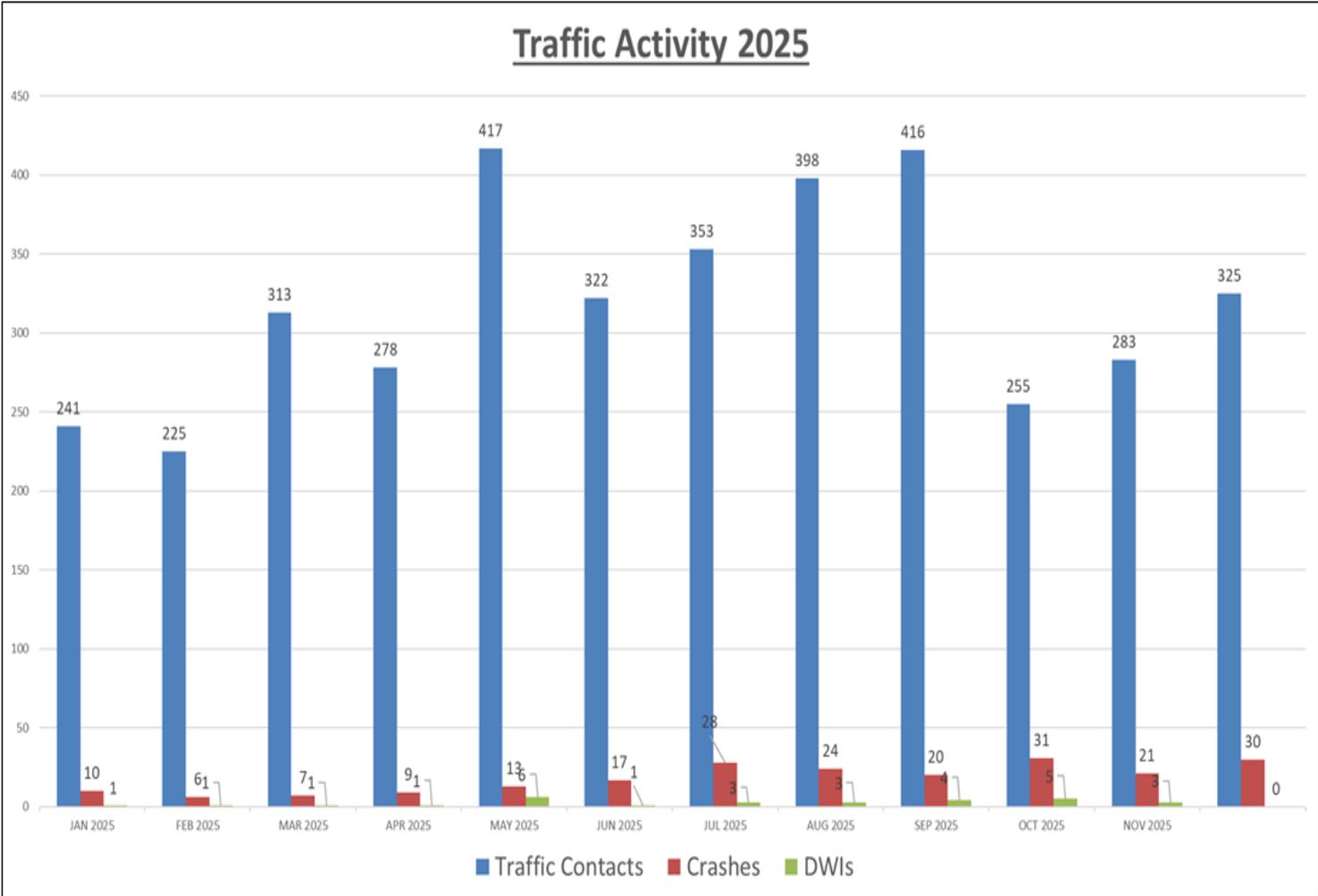


Year-to-Year Comparisons, Part 1 Crimes - Property and Violent Crime Summary



Traffic Data

Officers investigated and created reports for 148 vehicle crashes and had 132 minor crashes with information exchange for a total of 280 crash responses. Officers conducted 3,826 traffic stops, issuing 1,061 citations and 3,188 written warnings. Officers made 29 arrests for Driving While Intoxicated.



Biased Based Profiling Law

Racial Profiling is defined by Texas law as a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity. There are two corollary principles that follow from adopting this definition of racial profiling:

1. Police may not use racial or ethnic stereotypes as factors in selecting whom to stop and search, and
2. Police may use ethnicity to determine whether a person matches a specific description of a particular suspect.

Since August of 2001, the Gatesville Police Department, in accordance with the Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. 1074), has been collecting police contact data for the purpose of identifying and responding (if necessary) to concerns regarding racial profiling practices.

It is our hope that the findings provided in this report will serve as evidence that the Gatesville Police Department continues to strive towards the goal of maintaining strong relations with our community.

It should be noted that in 2025 the Gatesville Police Department received no formal or informal complaints of racial profiling.

Policy Statement

Members of the Gatesville Police Department will not engage in any activities that are discriminatory or indicative of the practice of bias-based profiling. Personnel will focus on the conduct of the individual and/or specific suspect information in taking police action. Individuals will not be targeted for enforcement action, detention, field contacts, asset seizure and forfeiture efforts, or interdictions solely on the basis of race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group or any other identifiable group. Any officer found to have engaged in bias-based profiling, following a complete investigation, will face appropriate corrective action, which may include diversity training, counseling, or disciplinary measures up to and including termination. This policy shall be posted on the department website and copies of the policy shall be placed in public view in the police department lobby.

Biased Based Profiling Policy- Continued

COMPLAINT PROCESS

The department shall accept complaints from any person who believes he/she has been stopped, searched, or inappropriately ticketed or arrested based on racial, ethnic, or national origin profiling. No person shall be discouraged, intimidated, or coerced from filing such a complaint, or discriminated against because he or she filed such a complaint.

Employees and supervisors shall report any racial profiling practice they observe.

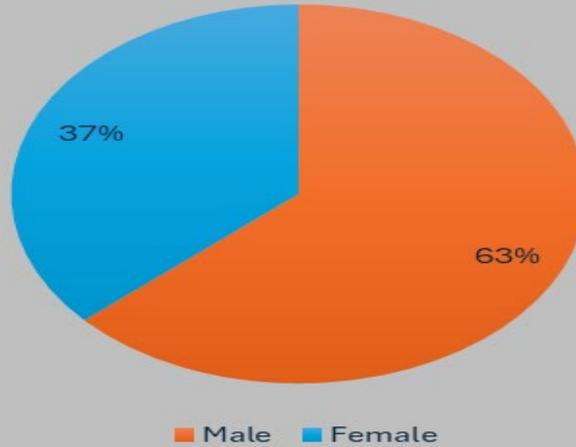
Complaint forms are in plain view in the lobby, or the complainant may have a form mailed to them on request. The form offers simple instructions on how to file a complaint. The supervisor receiving the complaint shall immediately open an internal investigation and notify a member of the Command Staff of the nature of the complaint. The allegation will be forwarded to the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police, or his designee, will be responsible for notifying the City Manager. Any sustained complaint that an employee violated this policy will result in appropriate corrective action, which may include diversity training, counseling, or disciplinary measures up to and including termination. In most cases, the complainant shall be notified in writing as to the status and/or the results of the investigation within 30 days of filing the complaint.

To avoid allegation(s) of illegal profiling, it is the policy of the Gatesville Police Department to video/audio record every traffic stop, investigation, detention, arrest, or any police-related business conducted by a Gatesville police officer. If no recording device is available, the officer shall document all information required by the state regarding data collection on the department Data Collection Form. Supervisors shall randomly review recordings to ensure compliance. Any officer found to have conducted a stop, investigation or any police business without recording or documenting the contact, he/she may be subject to department disciplinary action up to and including termination.

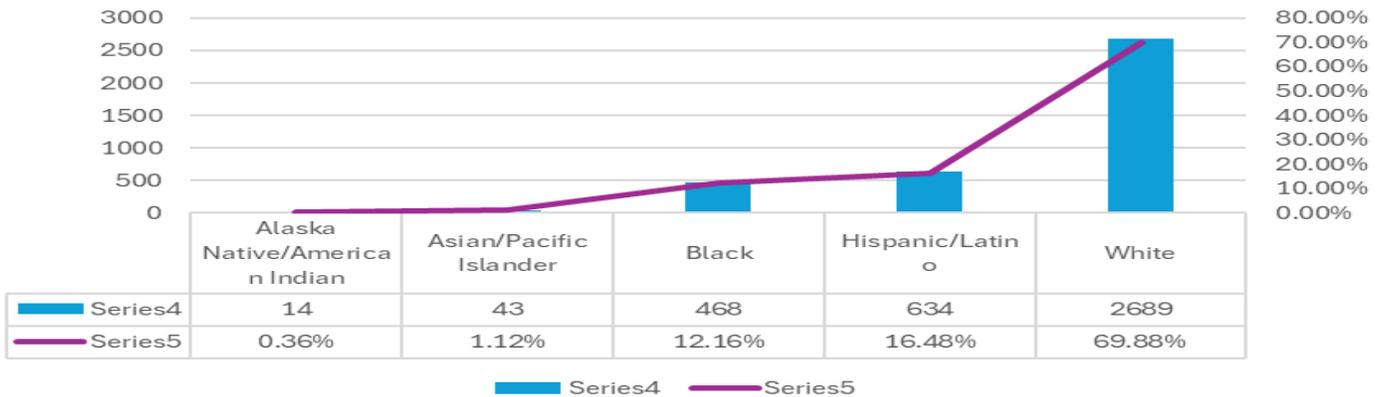
Officers and/or supervisors will collect mandated data on all police contacts and report such data monthly to the investigator designated to collect such data. The investigator will issue monthly reports to the Chief of Police who will submit an annual report to the Commission on Law Enforcement, and to the governing body of the City of Gatesville on or before March 1st of each year.

Racial Profiling Data 2025- Traffic Stops

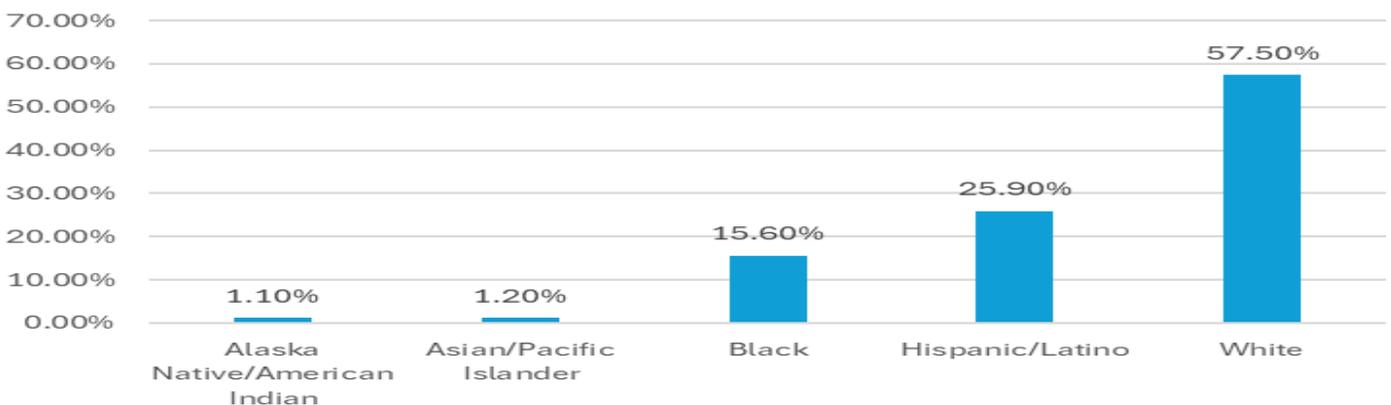
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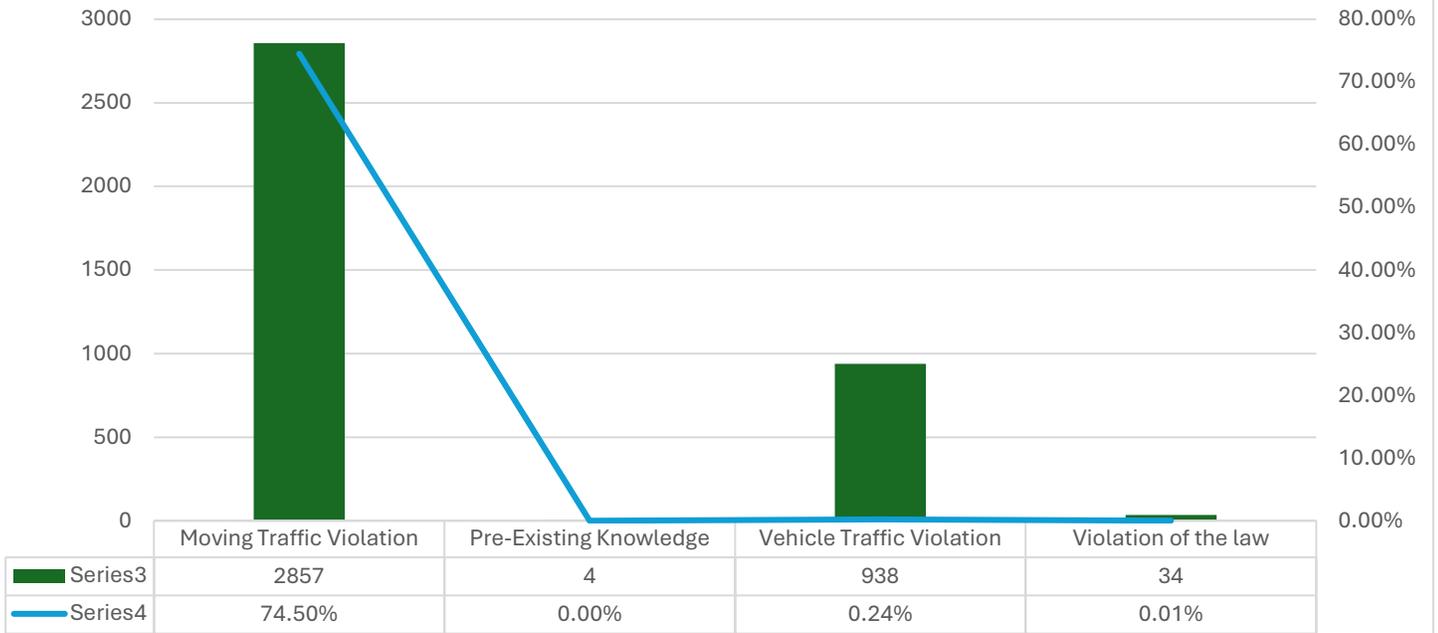
Race/Ethnicity



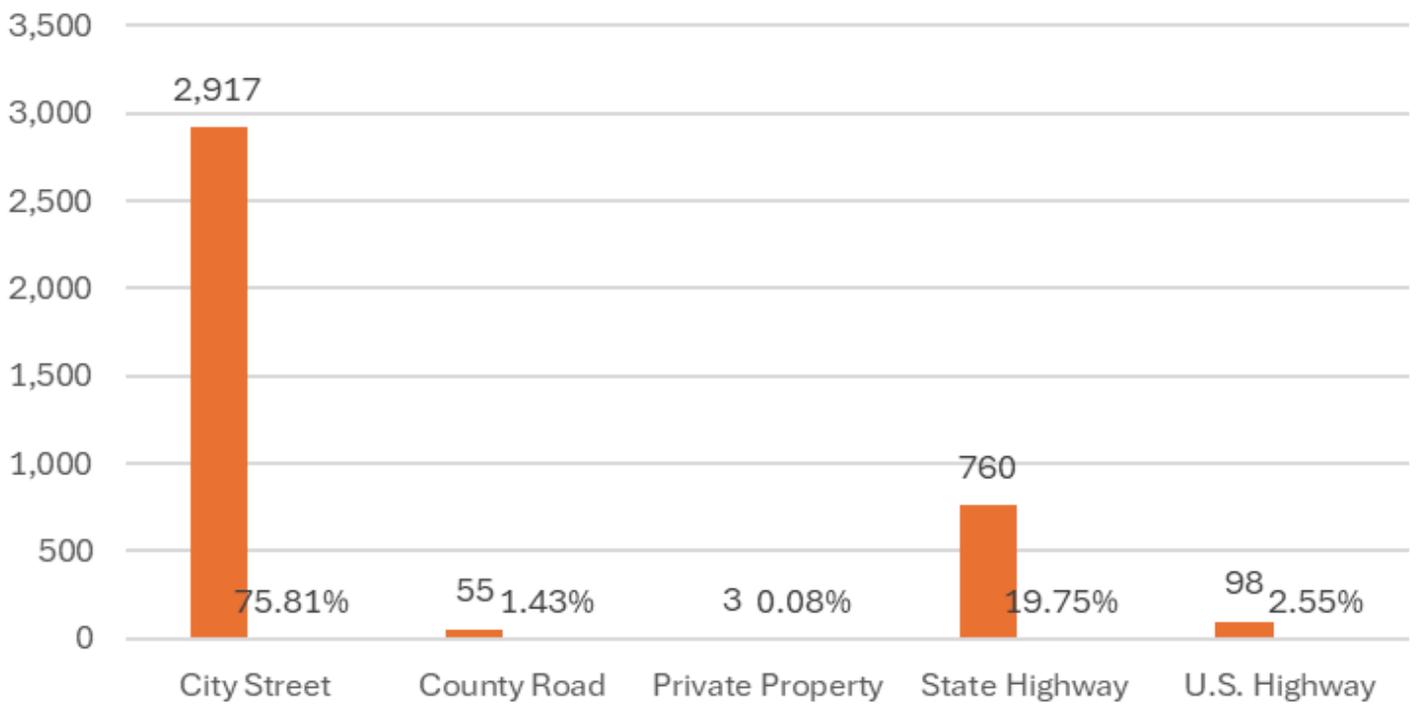
Race/Ethnicity Gatesville 2024 Census



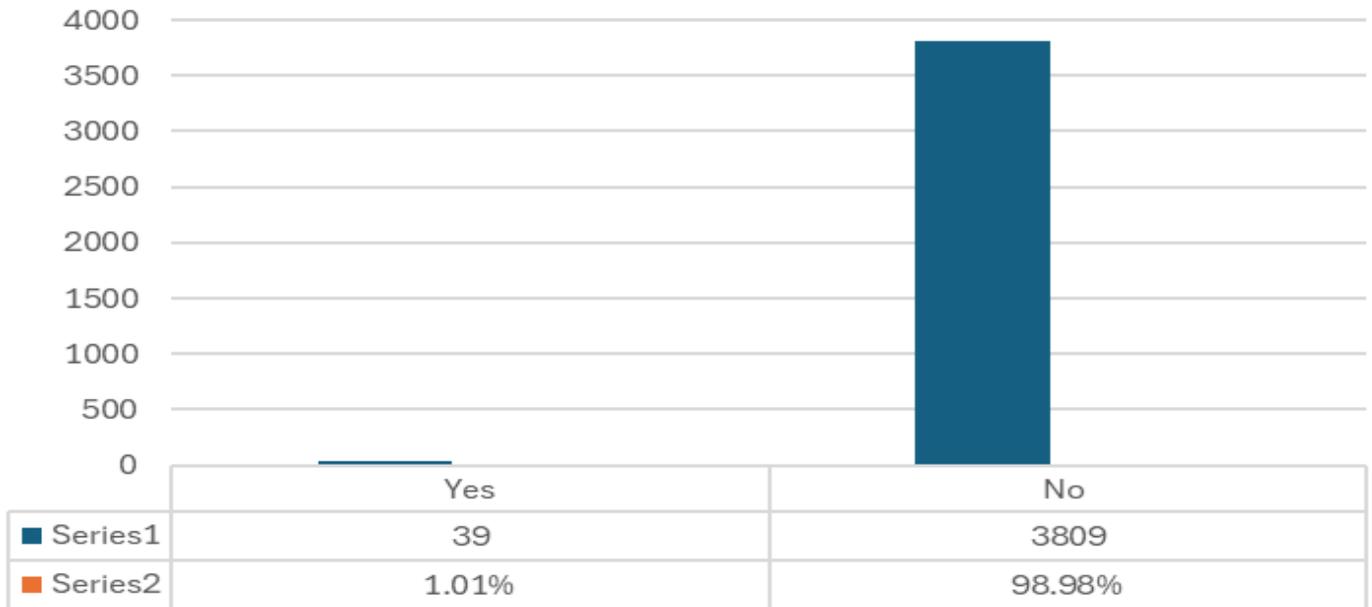
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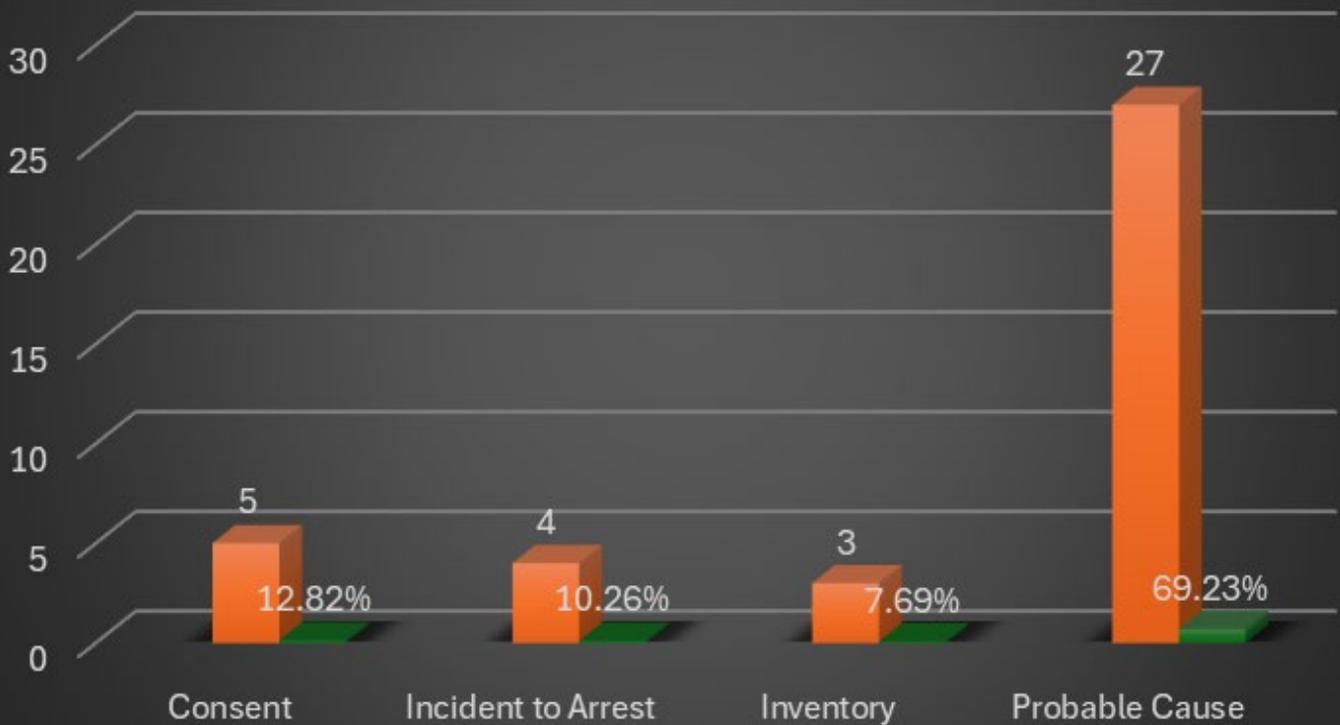
Location of Stop



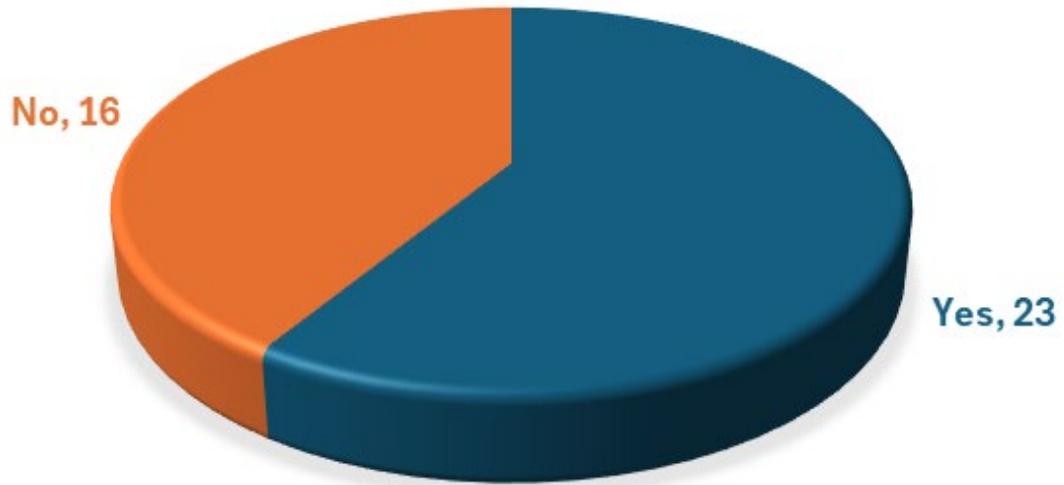
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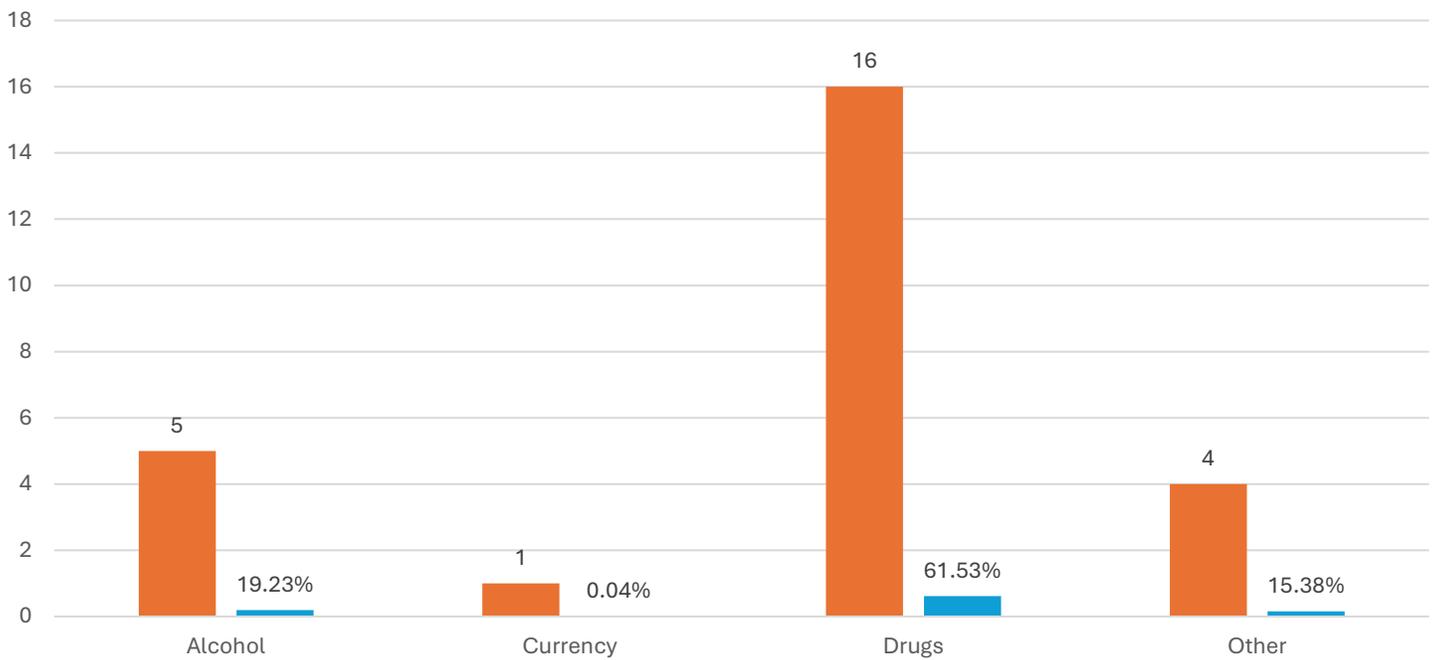
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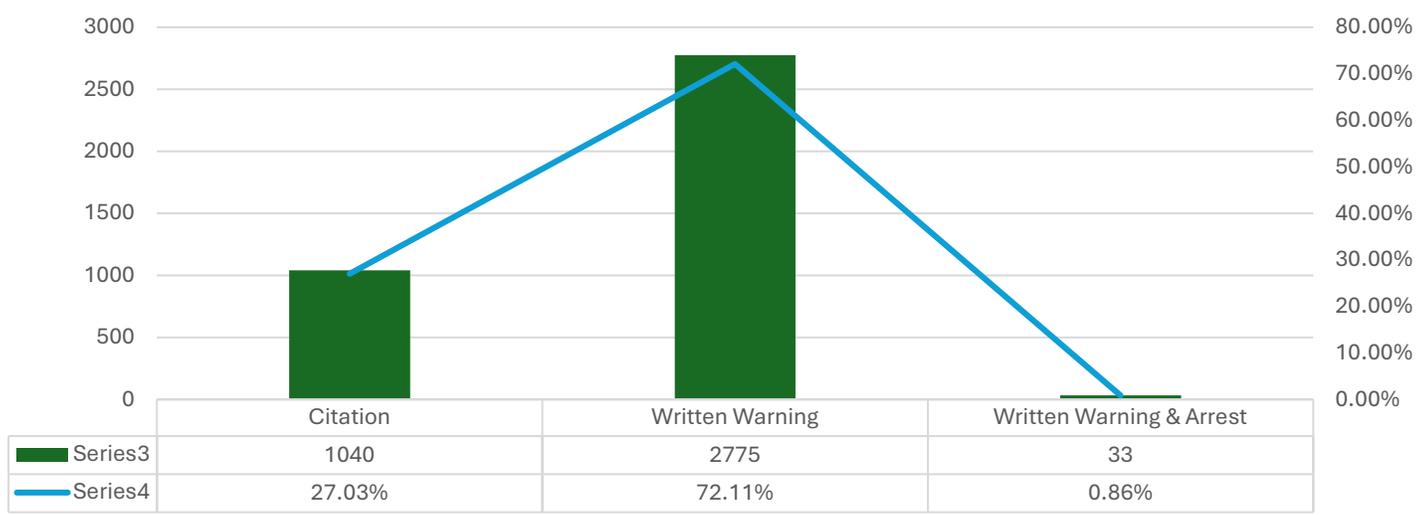
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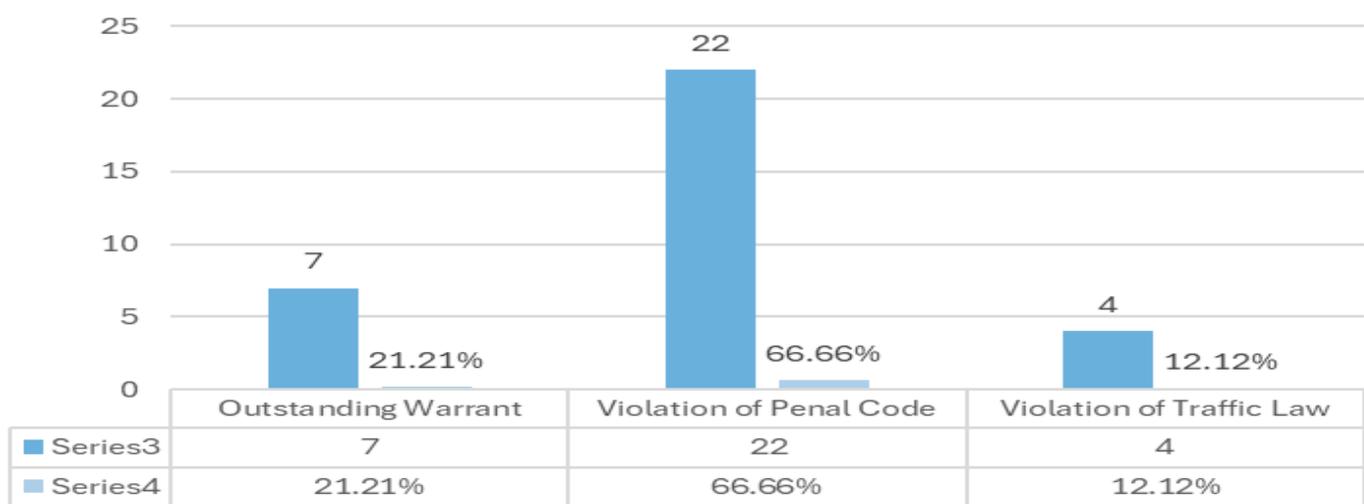
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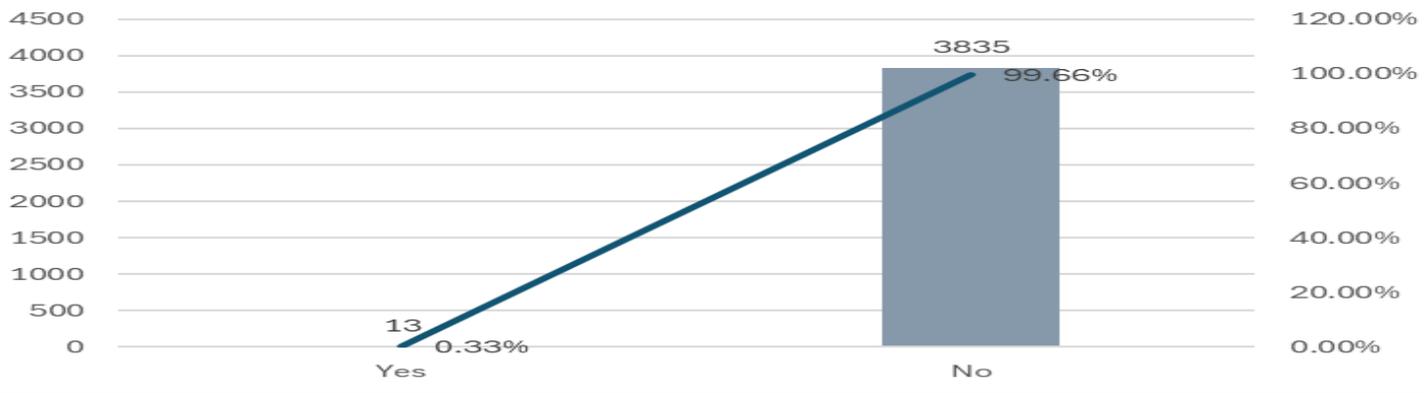
Result of Stop



Reason for Arrest



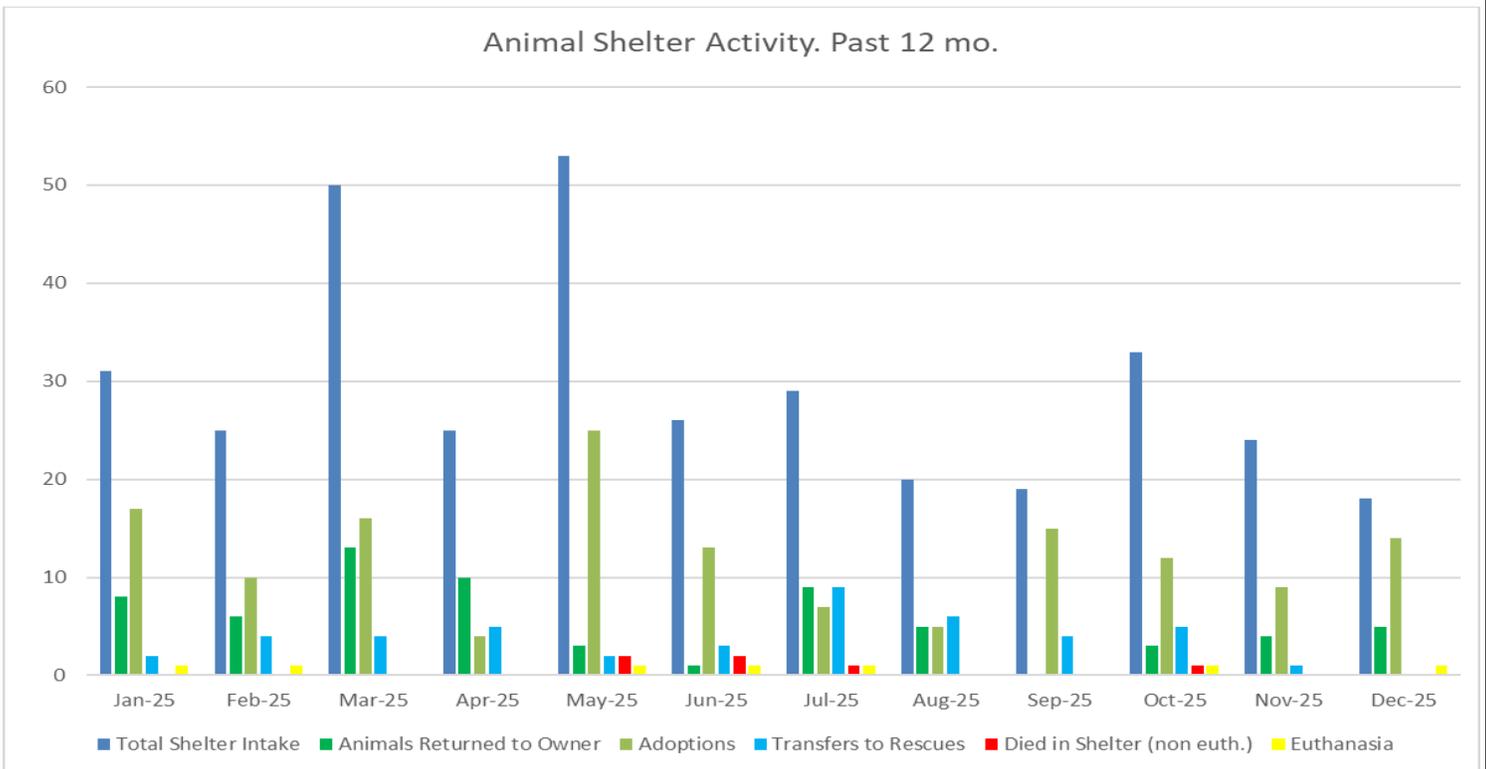
Use of Force by Officer During Traffic Stop



Animal Control



In 2025, our Animal Control Officers responded to 1,344 calls for service. A total of 350 animals were impounded or surrendered at the shelter. 67 were returned to an owner, 45 were transferred to rescues, and 147 were adopted. There were 121 community cats trapped and released under the Trap, Nueter, and Release program. These efforts allowed our live outcome rate to reach 96.50% for the year. We continue to thank everyone involved in the shelter for their support and dedication promoting our animal adoptions and keeping a low euthanasia rate.



Community Engagement



The Gatesville Police Department is committed to building strong relationships with the citizens of Gatesville. Members of the Gatesville Police Department participated in 14 community events throughout 2025. Some of the events were:

Coffee with a Cop at Green Rooster & 7Brew



Barbeque with a Badge at Raby Park

GISD Students 6 weeks of classes on law enforcement operations

Good Friday Walk Escort

GISD Spring into Summer Event



Cops versus Kids Basketball

Donut Dash for Crime Stoppers

Shivaree sponsored by the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce

July 4th Fireworks

National Night Out

Texas Brotherhood Bicycle Ride

Harvest Fest Jail & Bail

Christmas Parade



Accomplishments

Personnel



- 7 new officers sworn into the department
- 1 Captain position added/filled to the department
- 1 new officer position added to equal out patrol
- 1 new Lieutenant promoted
- 1 new Sergeant promoted
- 1 new Detective promoted
- 2 new ACO officers
- Dispatch fully staffed

Department Operations

- Implemented Power DMS (Field Training Program & Policy Management Software)
- Updating department policies to TPCA standards
- Implemented assessment center type promotional process
- Implemented a new uniform patch incorporating City of Gatesville history
- Updated and instituted case management
- Purchased and deploying a drone to assist with investigative efforts
- New Department Mission Statement “Gatesville PD is committed to building trust within our community by upholding the highest standards of honor, integrity, respect, and accountability. Through fair, compassionate service and a steadfast dedication to public safety, we strive to protect and partner with the citizens of Gatesville”



Looking Ahead to 2026



- Staff Professional Development with in-house training & outside training opportunities to develop and enhance leadership and professional skills for all employees
- Complete full policy manual meeting the standards for TPCA Accreditation
- Assess building needs that need to be addressed to assist with the department obtaining Texas Police Chief's Association Accreditation
- Plan to enter into the Texas Police Chief's Association Accreditation process
- Expand community policing efforts beyond just community events and embracing the philosophy to day-to-day operations
- Find a service project for volunteers to work on in the year
- Expand Food for Families efforts & implement a Blue Santa program
- Establish ownership by all PD employees

