



Dallas Police Department

2006 Police Traffic Contact Data Annual Report



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Philosophy Statement



- **It is the goal of the Dallas Police Department to provide public safety service that is both effective and fair.**
- **To achieve this goal, racial profiling is strictly forbidden and will never be tolerated in the Dallas Police Department.**
- **The reality and the perception by all citizens must be that police officers do not stop, detain, or take enforcement action based solely upon race, color, or ethnicity.**
- **Racial profiling incurs the cost of eroding the trust between police and citizens, thus undermining the legitimacy of police actions.**
- **Through determination, vigilance, and training, the Police Department will foster and maintain the confidence of all citizens in the integrity and professionalism of its police officers.**
- **All citizens must believe that the administration of justice is applied fairly and that racial profiling is never used as a means of enforcement.**
- **They must also believe that they will be judged solely on their own conduct and never on racial generalizations.**
- **The Dallas Police Department is committed to protecting the rights of all citizens. This commitment extends to maintaining the trust and confidence of citizens through fair application of the law.**

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Chief of Police



2006 Traffic Contacts, Searches From Contacts, Consensual Searches and Custodial Arrests From Traffic Contacts

RACE	Traffic Contacts		Searches From Contacts		Consensual Searches		Custody Arrests	
	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
White	105,589	39.5%	3,058	21.5%	411	21.1%	2,299	31.4%
African American	95,238	35.7%	6,452	45.3%	1,056	54.3%	2,469	33.7%
Hispanic	63,134	23.6%	4,588	32.2%	466	24.0%	2,471	33.7%
Asian	1,772	0.7%	87	0.6%	7	0.4%	58	0.8%
Native American	121	0.0%	21	0.1%	0	0.0%	8	0.1%
Other	1,240	0.5%	45	0.3%	4	0.2%	17	0.2%
Total	267,094	100%	14,251	100%	1,944	100%	7,322	100%

Traffic Contacts and City of Dallas Population 2000 U. S. Census



RACE	Traffic Contacts By Dallas Police Department		City of Dallas Population 2000 Census	
	Number of Contacts	Percent of Total	Population By Race	Percent of Total
White	105,589	39.5%	415,532	35.0%
African American	95,238	35.7%	313,135	26.3%
Hispanic	63,134	23.6%	419,934	35.3%
Asian	1,772	0.7%	34,651	2.9%
Native American	121	0.0%	3,714	0.3%
Other	1,240	0.5%	1,614	0.1%
Total	267,094	100%	1,188,580	100%

Total Traffic Contacts Three Year Comparison



RACE	2006		2005		2004	
	Number of Contacts	Percent of Total	Number of Contacts	Percent of Total	Number of Contacts	Percent of Total
White	105,589	39.5%	93,249	40.3%	96,066	42.5%
African American	95,238	35.7%	77,440	33.5%	74,221	32.8%
Hispanic	63,134	23.6%	57,845	25.0%	52,387	23.2%
Asian	1,772	0.7%	2,044	0.9%	2,002	0.9%
Native American	121	0.0%	81	0.0%	143	0.1%
Other	1,240	0.5%	784	0.3%	1,220	0.5%
Total	267,094	100%	231,443	100%	226,039	100%

Total Searches from Traffic Contact Three Year Comparison



RACE	2006		2005		2004	
	Number of Searches	Percent of Total	Number of Searches	Percent of Total	Number of Searches	Percent of Total
White	3,058	21.5%	3,822	28.8%	3,916	24.6%
African American	6,452	45.3%	4,595	34.6%	6,069	38.1%
Hispanic	4,588	32.2%	4,736	35.7%	5,791	36.3%
Asian	87	0.6%	89	0.7%	113	0.7%
Native American	21	0.1%	10	0.1%	21	0.1%
Other	45	0.3%	21	0.2%	33	0.2%
Total	14,251	100%	13,273	100%	15,943	100%

Consensual Searches From Traffic Contacts Three Year Comparison



RACE	2006		2005		2004	
	Number of Searches	Percent of Total	Number of Searches	Percent of Total	Number of Searches	Percent of Total
White	411	21.1%	570	24.6%	413	24.2%
African American	1,056	54.3%	1,138	49.1%	780	45.8%
Hispanic	466	24.0%	597	25.8%	489	28.7%
Asian	7	0.4%	9	0.4%	17	1.0%
Native American	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%
Other	4	0.2%	2	0.1%	3	0.2%
Total	1,944	100%	2,316	100%	1,704	100%

Custodial Arrests From Traffic Contacts Three Year Comparison



RACE	2006		2005		2004	
	Number of Arrests	Percent of Total	Number of Arrests	Percent of Total	Number of Arrests	Percent of Total
White	2,299	31.4%	1,655	31.8%	1,795	30.1%
African American	2,469	33.7%	1,389	26.7%	1,545	25.9%
Hispanic	2,471	33.7%	2,079	40.0%	2,544	42.7%
Asian	58	0.8%	57	1.1%	49	0.8%
Native American	8	0.1%	10	0.2%	5	0.1%
Other	17	0.2%	11	0.2%	19	0.3%
Total	7,322	100%	5,201	100%	5,957	100%

Racial Profiling Complaints



- In 2006 the Dallas Police Department made 267,094 documented traffic contacts and responded to 620,192 calls for service.
- Out of these 887,286 documented contacts, only 15 (.002%) resulted in complaints being filed with the Internal Affairs Unit alleging racial profiling.
- 11 of the 15 complaints were determined to be "Unfounded"
- 3 of the 15 complaints were classified as "Inconclusive"
- 1 complaint investigation is still pending
- 8 of the allegations came as the result of a traffic stop

External Review of Data



- The Dallas Police Department requested Dr. Eric Fritsch and Dr. Robert Taylor, Department of Criminal Justice, University of North Texas, to review this report.
- Their analysis of DPD report - "Department is in compliance with applicable Texas law on the collection of racial profiling data."

2006 Activities



- Mobile video recorders installed in 336 marked vehicles
- Formation of a committee to address the process of Tier II Data Collection
 - Committee surveyed major Texas departments that are currently collecting Tier II data
 - Committee has developed draft revisions of the department's General Orders that will address the policy and process of Tier II data collection
 - Committee reviewed training needs to develop an updated comprehensive training program on racial profiling
 - Committee reviewed technology requirements for Tier II data collection

2007 Recommendations



- Complete development of enhanced racial profiling training
 - Department of Justice is assisting in the development of the updated training by providing a facilitator to conduct a pilot class to be held on February 20, 2007
- Implement enhanced training as part of in-service training curriculum
- Finalize and implement General Order revisions relating to Tier II data collection
- Begin capturing Tier II data when CAD system becomes operational



QUESTIONS?