



Morrison County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Shawn Larsen

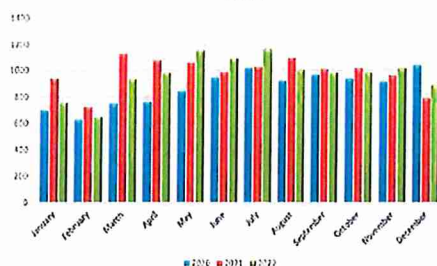
2022 Annual Review

The Sheriff's Office will serve and protect the people, and enforce the law in a fair and impartial manner.

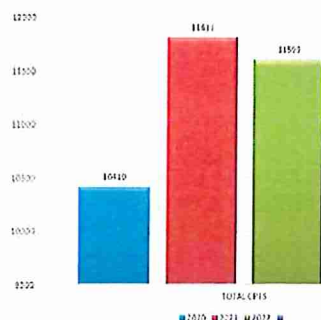
In 2022 the Morrison County Sheriff's Office handled 11,599 complaints, compared to 11,811 in 2021. July was the busiest month with the most reported incidents in 2022, compared to March of 2021. In 2022, 3,320 traffic stops were conducted, which resulted in 524 citations, 2481 verbal warnings and 315 written warnings.

The comparison to 2021 is 3,126 traffic stops, 1,787 verbal warnings and 307 written warnings. Our office continues to be proactive throughout our communities on a daily/nightly basis, by providing coverage to our county, which is 1,125 square miles.

**COMPLAINTS RECEIVED
2022**



TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED



BODY WORN CAMERAS (BWC)

In March of 2022 the Sheriff's Office deployed Axon Body Worn Cameras (BWC) for all our licensed deputies, with the County Board of Commissioners support.

The Body Worn cameras allow us the opportunity to capture video and it benefits us in the following ways: Community transparency, evidentiary significance, officer complaints are easily resolved, camera footage allows training for our staff and captures behaviors and conduct that can be shared with our County Attorney's Office and courts. When not in use, the cameras are stored in a docking station. The docking station is utilized for installation of software updates, the downloading of video footage and charging of the battery.

Overall, the body cameras have been a great tool for transparency between law enforcement and our community.

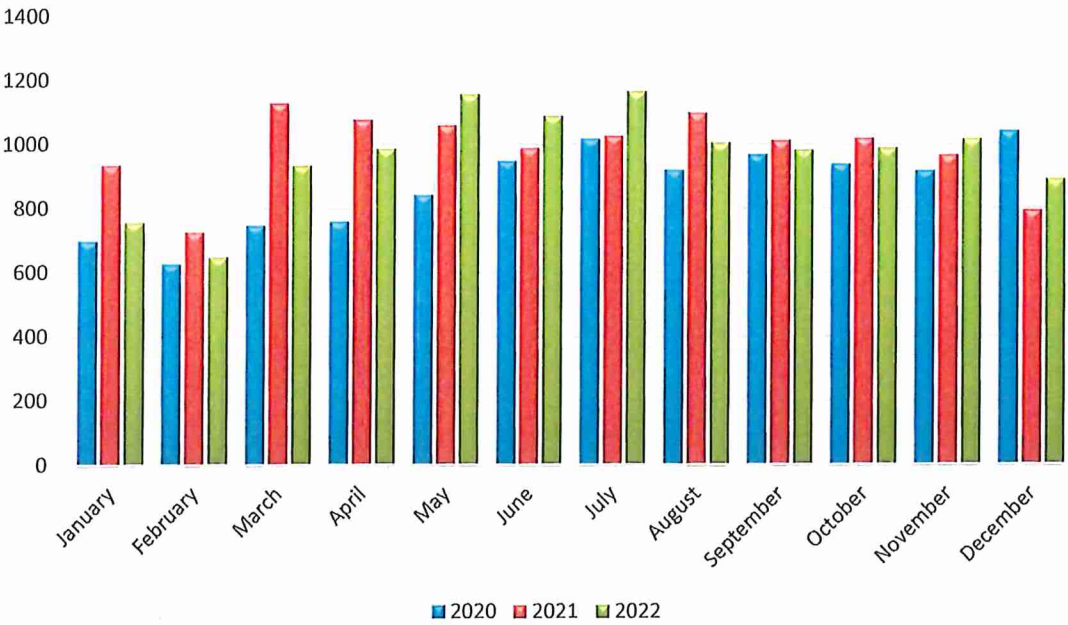


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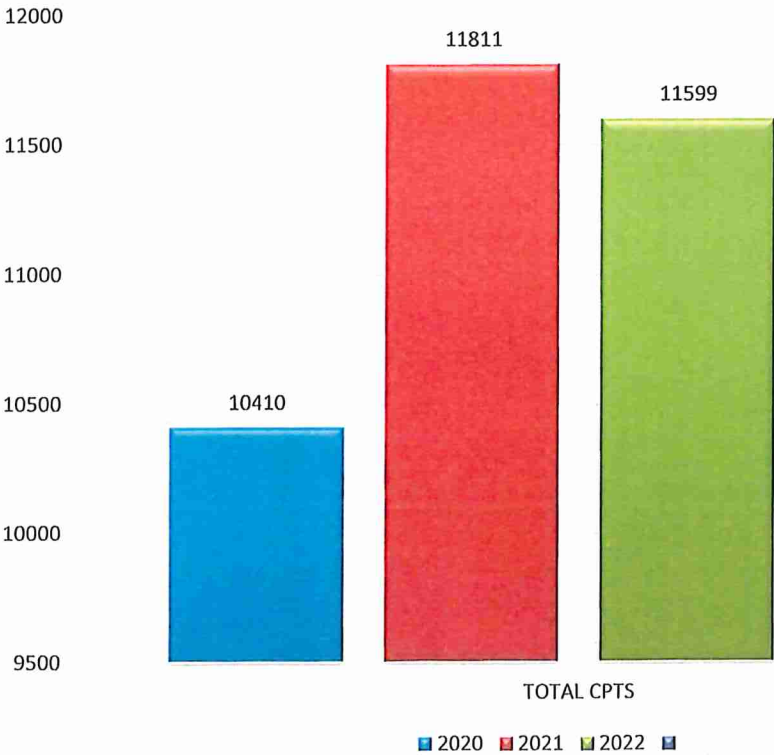


Console/docking station

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RANDALL AREA FLOODING

In the evening hours of June 23rd into the early morning hours of June 24th, the city of Randall was inundated with over 12.5 inches of rain, causing flash flooding in the city of Randall and four surrounding townships. The Morrison County Sheriff's Office with the assistance of multiple emergency personnel, conducted water rescue operations, ultimately rescuing 30 residents from their homes. Morrison County Emergency Management activated the Emergency Operations Center to support water rescue operations and evacuation of residents. The Morrison County mobile command trailer was deployed to assist with emergency operations. Multiple road closures took place in the city and county, including Hwy 10 in both directions from Little Falls to Motley.

Preliminary damage assessment revealed damages to critical infrastructure (roadways, bridges, culverts, utilities) in the amount of 1.6 million dollars. As a result, Morrison County Emergency Management requested the Morrison County Board of Commissioners to declare Morrison County in a state of emergency due to the flooding event. Morrison County Emergency Management worked with the Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to assist the county with the damages through their Public Assistance Program. This event was part of state disaster SD-066.

Over forty homes in the city of Randall and surrounding townships sustained damages due to flooding. The Small Business Administration (SBA) conducted a damage assessment to assist homeowners with damages through low interest disaster loans.

Multiple agencies assisted with the flooding incident to include: City of Randall, Randall Fire and Rescue, Little Falls Fire Department, Camp Ripley Fire Department, Scandia Valley Fire Department, Pierz Fire Department, Swanville Fire Department, Upsala Fire Department, Flensburg Fire Department, MN State Patrol, MN DNR, MNDOT, Morrison County Public Works, Morrison County Health and Human Services, Morrison County Land Services, BNSF, Pipeline Safety, Todd County Sheriff's Office, Mayo Clinic Ambulance, American Red Cross and MNVOAD and Darling, Parker, Cushing and Ripley township supervisors.



2022 DRUG INVESTIGATIONS

2022 continued to be a busy year for Morrison Investigators assigned to the Central MN Violent Offender Task Force (CMVOTF). Morrison County has two deputies assigned to the CMVOTF, that also includes Benton, Sherburne and Stearns counties and the cities of St. Cloud, St. Joseph, Sartell, Sauk Rapids and Waite Park. Throughout the year, our two assigned deputies work on the CMVOTF includes the following:

1. Controlled buys of controlled substances, to include methamphetamine and heroin/fentanyl
2. Garbage pulls
3. Writing search warrants for GPS vehicle trackers
4. Clandestinely deploying GPS vehicle trackers
5. Physical surveillance of investigative subjects
6. Electrical surveillance of investigative subjects (hours of electronically monitoring GPS trackers)
7. Deployments of pole cameras to monitor drug investigations
8. Hours of monitoring pole camera footage and logging activities
9. Writing administrative subpoenas for phone records of investigative subjects
10. Going through phone records locating potential source of supply of dealers
11. Writing warrants for suspect(s) cell phones
12. Physically going through cell phone content searching for potential evidence of crimes, i.e. drug deals, drug talk, etc.
13. Assisting other agencies on vehicle follows/surveillance
14. Actively involved in drug interdiction traffic stops
15. Interviewing in-custody defendants for potential information
16. Writing search warrants for dwellings/vehicles
17. Executing search warrant utilizing SWAT at times and/or CMVOTF teams

Investigators with Morrison County 99% of the time generate their own cases based on their personal knowledge of a potential subject of investigation. Other times information comes from public tips. Some cases can wrap up within days, however, most cases can go on for months. The conclusion of most drug investigations includes search warrants and/or arrests off arrest warrants. When investigators are not working on their own case, they often get called to St. Cloud to assist with other investigators' cases, i.e. controlled buys, in which there must be a certain amount of investigators present to provide safe operations, assist with surveillance/following of investigative subjects and search warrants on houses/vehicles. Also, many hours are spent sitting at a computer writing reports, updating cases and researching investigative subjects, i.e. searching through social media, phone records, and photos/videos looking for potential evidence leading to criminal activity.



JOINT SWAT TEAM TRAINING

The Morrison County SWAT Team trains every month of the year, for a minimum of 4 hours per month. The SWAT Team is made up of members of the Morrison County Sheriff's Office and the Little Falls Police Department. Our SWAT Team believes in collaborating and training with other teams to continue our positive relationships and gain further knowledge. In this setting, the Morrison County SWAT Team and Minnesota State Patrol SWAT Teams performed nighttime operation scenarios on October 21, 2022, on property located in Richardson Township. The training involved scenarios with helicopters from the State Patrol and Life Link III. The Morrison County Sheriff's Office Command Post was utilized in the training scenario and a dispatcher and Incident Command staff, as well as Morrison County I.T., were present during the training. Many valuable lessons were learned, and we appreciate the collaborative efforts amongst the different agencies.



PUBLIC OUTREACH/COFFE WITH A COP

Coffee with A Cop continues to be one of our main events regarding public outreach. Our agency continues to be active through our Morrison County communities. The below photo was an event that we had on October 6, 2022, at the Little Falls Senior Center. We continue to educate residents about the dangers of the different drugs that are impacting our communities. A display of over 30 different drugs that were seized, was used to educate students and community members as to what the individual drugs look like, to include the quantity and amount it would cost on the street. We feel that public outreach is important, and we will continue to educate community members as they are the eyes and ears for law enforcement. Community partners at this particular event included personnel from the Morrison County Sheriff's Office, Little Falls Police Department, Stand Up 4 U Coalition and Public Health.



JAIL SUMMARY

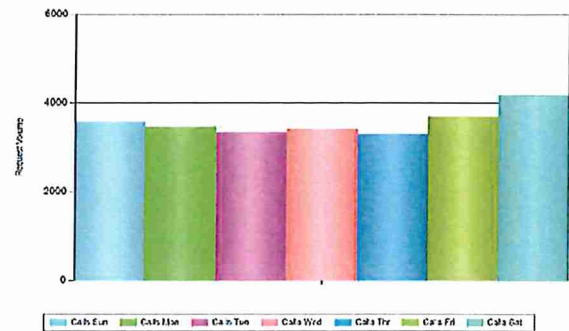
In 2022, Morrison County Jail averaged 45 inmates per day. Inmates were boarded from Aitkin, Beltrami, Grant, Itasca, Mahanomen, Mille Lacs, Pope, and Wadena Counties, along with Morrison County. During the year approximately \$12,280 in booking fees, and just under \$1,400 in fingerprinting fees were collected. Each inmate is charged \$20 per day for staying in Morrison County Jail. In total we collected \$11,055 for Work Release/Huber and \$14,328 in Pay for Stay.

Sentence to Serve has done some great work in the county throughout 2022. STS Crew Leader Kim Lillemoe has put in 4040 total hours with the crew. Some of the jobs worked on this year include picking up ditches, adopt-a-highway, shoveling fire hydrants, cleaning up leaves and brush in cemeteries, parks and churches. They also helped paint curbs for small towns, and snowplows for the county. Throughout the year, the crew assisted the Little Falls Food Shelf, Little Falls Ice Arena, as well as Camp Shamaineau with different projects.

911 CALL VOLUME STATS

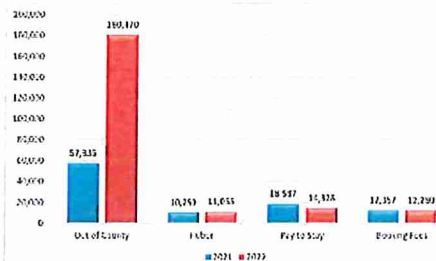
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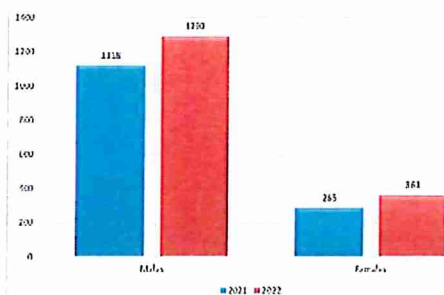


- The chart above represents each day of the week, indicating that the busiest day for 9-1-1 calls that the Sheriff's Office received was on Saturdays in 2022.

JAIL REVENUE 2022

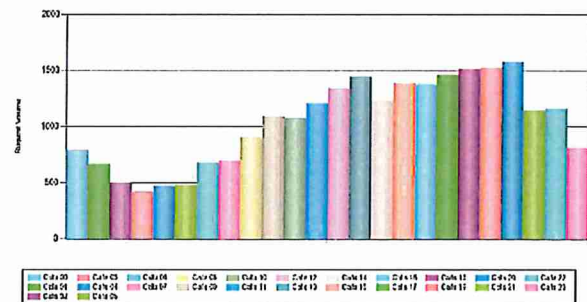


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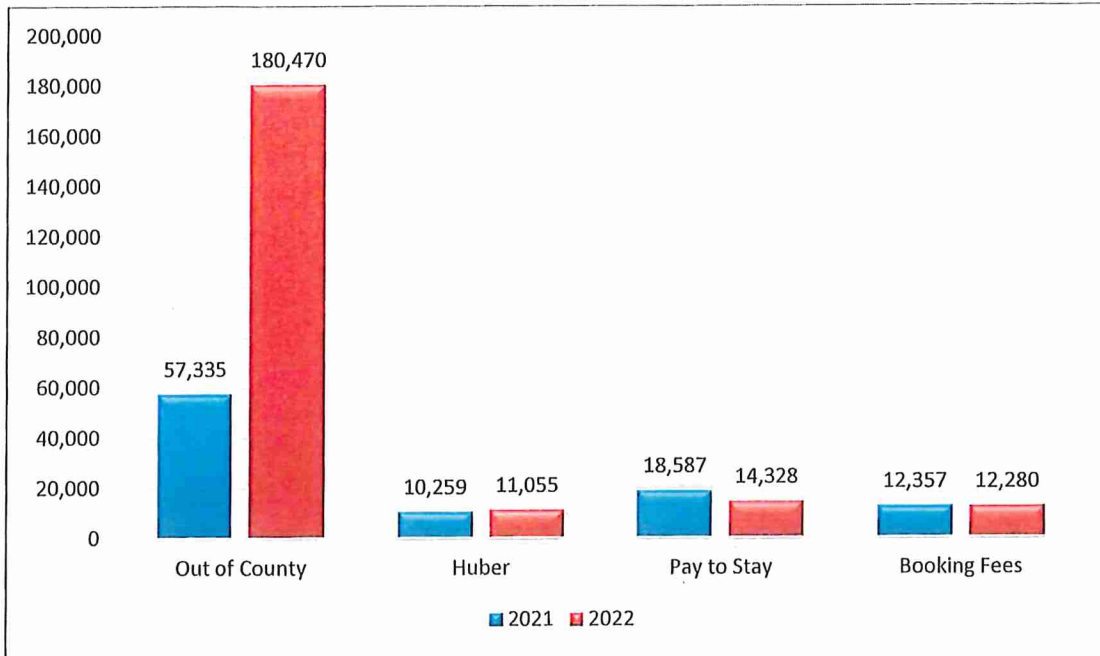
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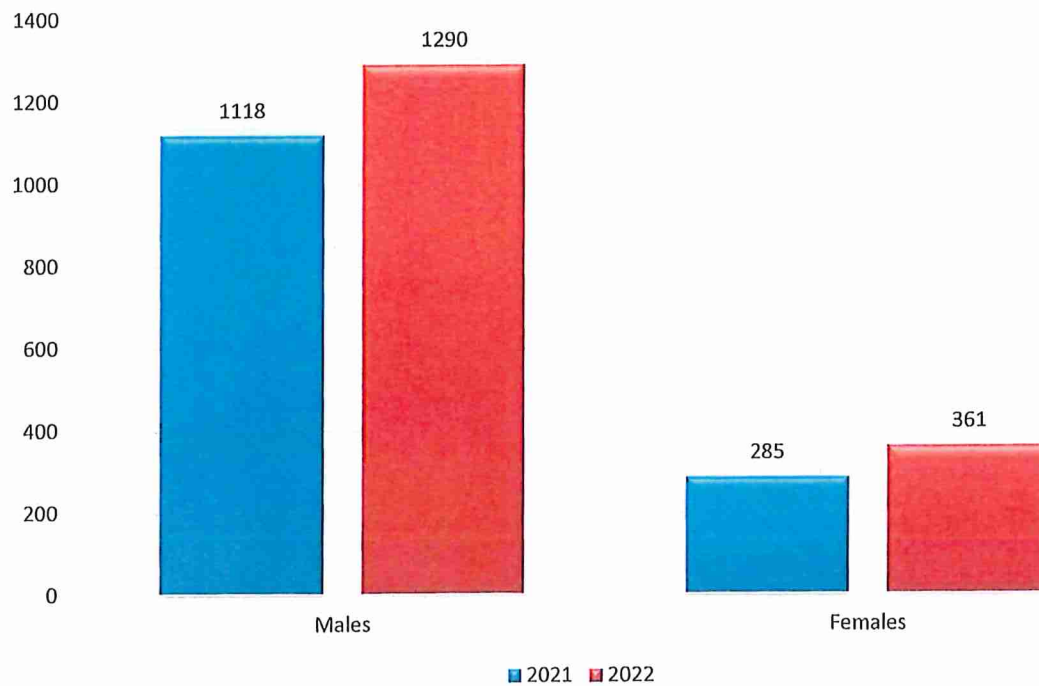


- The chart above represents 24 hours in the day, with the busiest hour for 9-1-1 calls at 2000 hours (8pm), in 2022.

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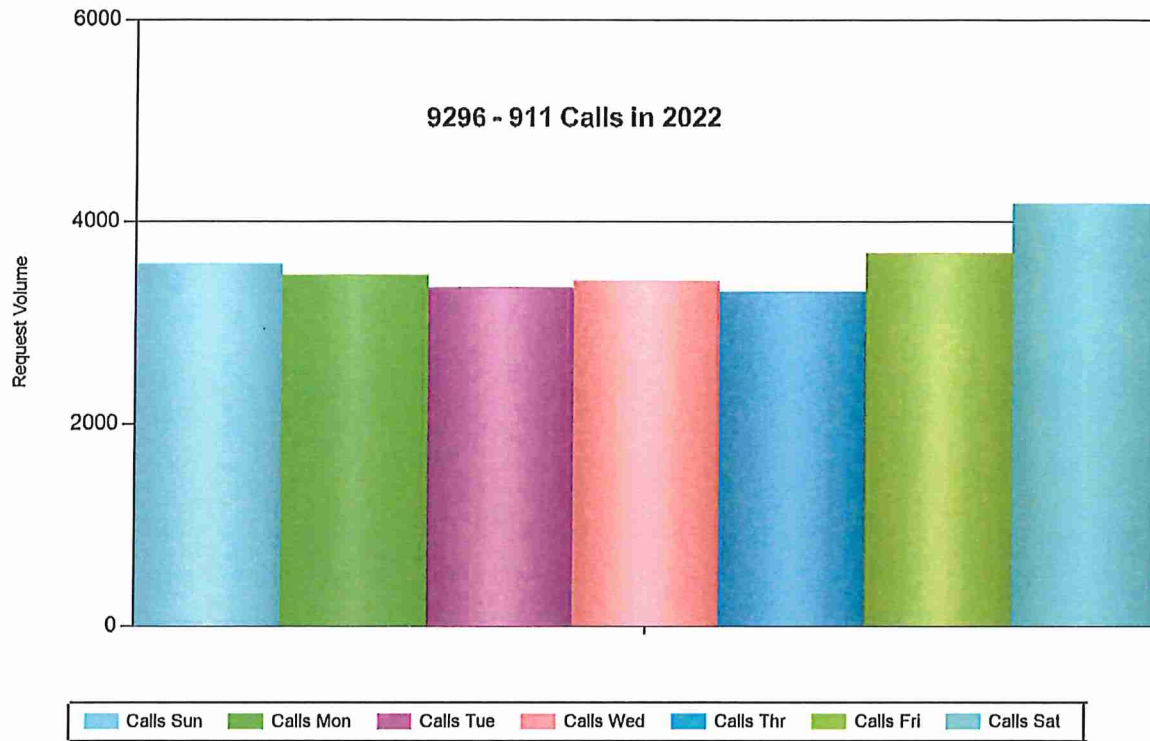
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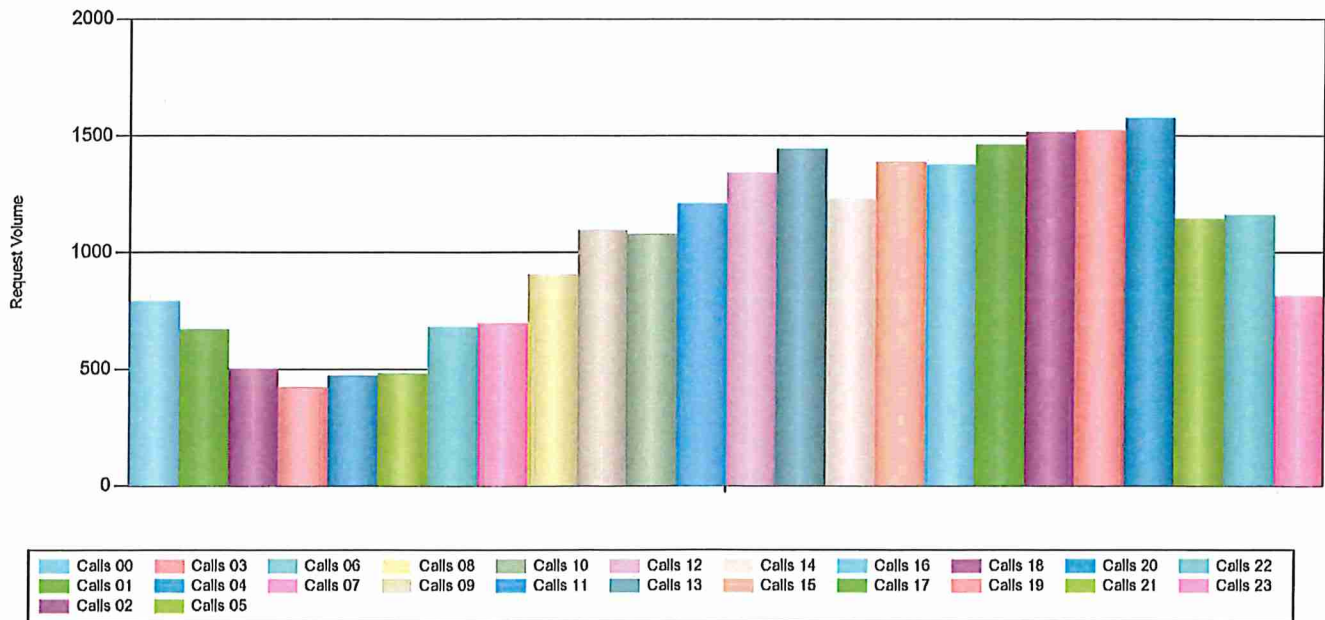
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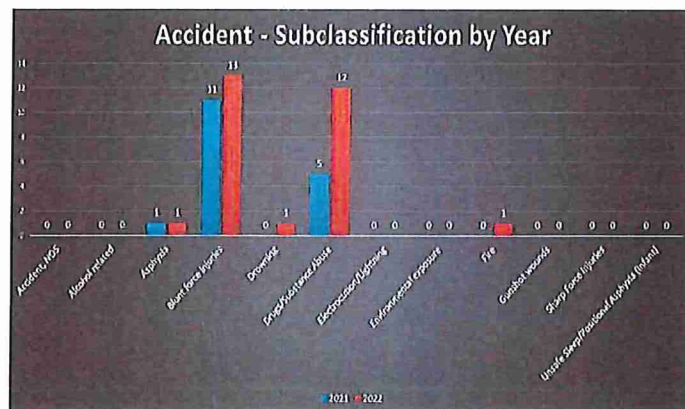
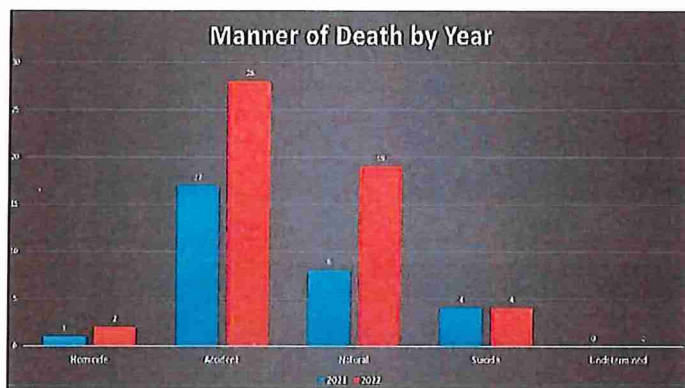


MEDICAL EXAMINER CASES

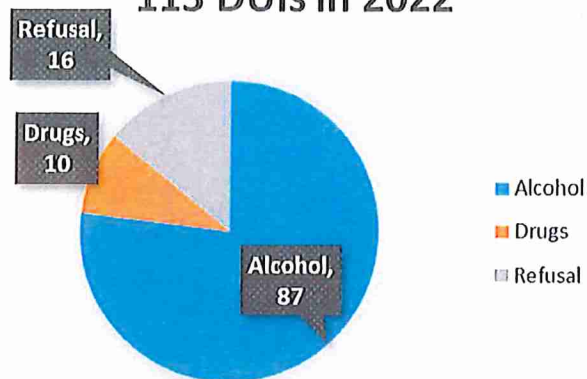
Morrison County had 190 deaths in 2022. 53 (28 percent) bodies were assumed to the Medical Center at the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office in Anoka Minnesota and 137 (72 percent) bodies were declined.

A breakdown of the manner of death for the 53 bodies assumed include: 2 homicide, 28 accidental, 19 natural deaths and 4 suicides.

Of the 28 accidental deaths, 1 person died from fire, 12 people died from drugs/substance abuse, 1 person died from a drowning, 13 people died from blunt force injuries, and 1 person died from asphyxia.



113 DUIs in 2022



In 2023, there were a total of 113 DUI's. The breakdown was 87 DUI's that involved alcohol, 10 DUI's that involved drugs and 16 DUI's that resulted in a test refusal. With more Drug Recognition Law Enforcement Officers being trained, we will expect the number of drug related DUI's to increase, especially when Marijuana is legalized on August 1, 2023.

CRIME STATISTICS

CRIME DATA COLLECTION

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS TO REPORT CRIME DATA

The state of Minnesota has participated in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program since 1938. Minnesota statutes require and authorize the BCA to collect UCR data. The state statutes authorizing data collection are as follows.

[Min. Stat. §290C.01 - Crime Data Collection](#)

[Min. Stat. §290C.02 - Division Powers and Duties: Cooperation](#)

[Min. Stat. §290C.12 - Records kept by Peace Officers: Reports](#)

CRIME TYPES

National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) data is separated into Group A and Group B.

GROUP A OFFENSES

The following crimes are categorized as Group A offenses. Group A offenses are further categorized as crimes against persons, crimes against property and crimes against society.

Crimes Against Persons

- Murder and Negligent Manslaughter
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- Sex Offenses
 - Rape
 - Sodomy
 - Sexual Assault with an Object
 - Forcible Fondling
 - Incest
 - Statutory Rape

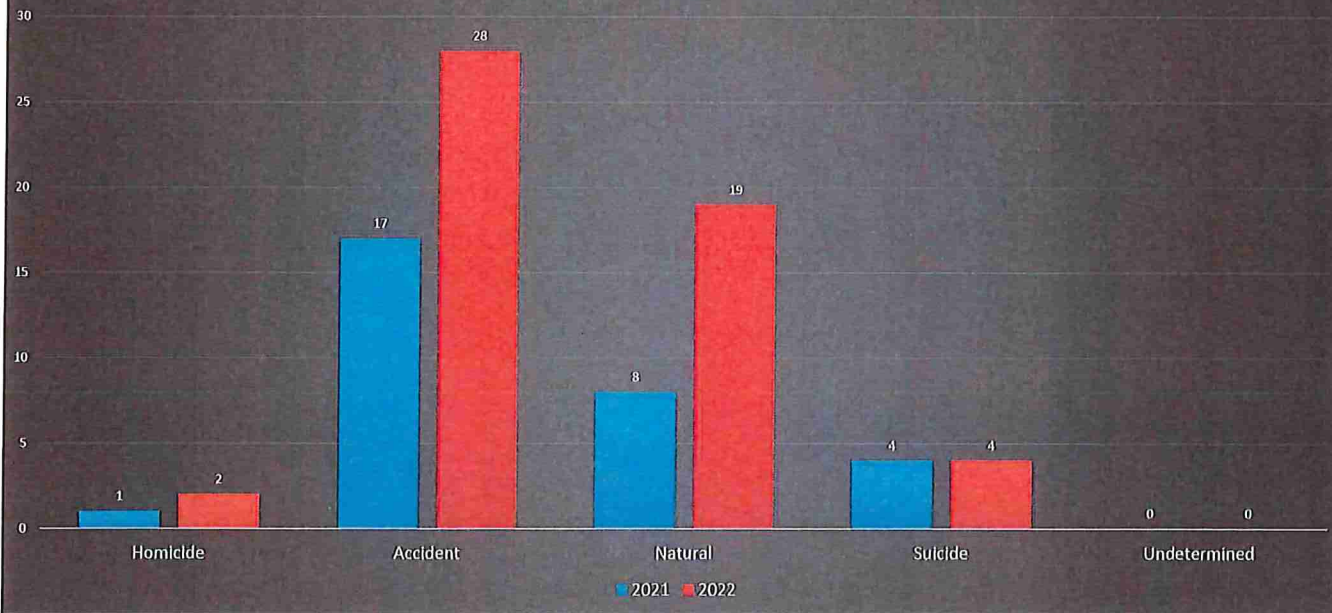
- Kidnapping/Abduction
- Assault Offenses
 - Aggravated Assault
 - Simple Assault
 - Intimidation
- Human Trafficking
 - Commercial Sex Acts
 - Involuntary Servitude

Crimes Against Society

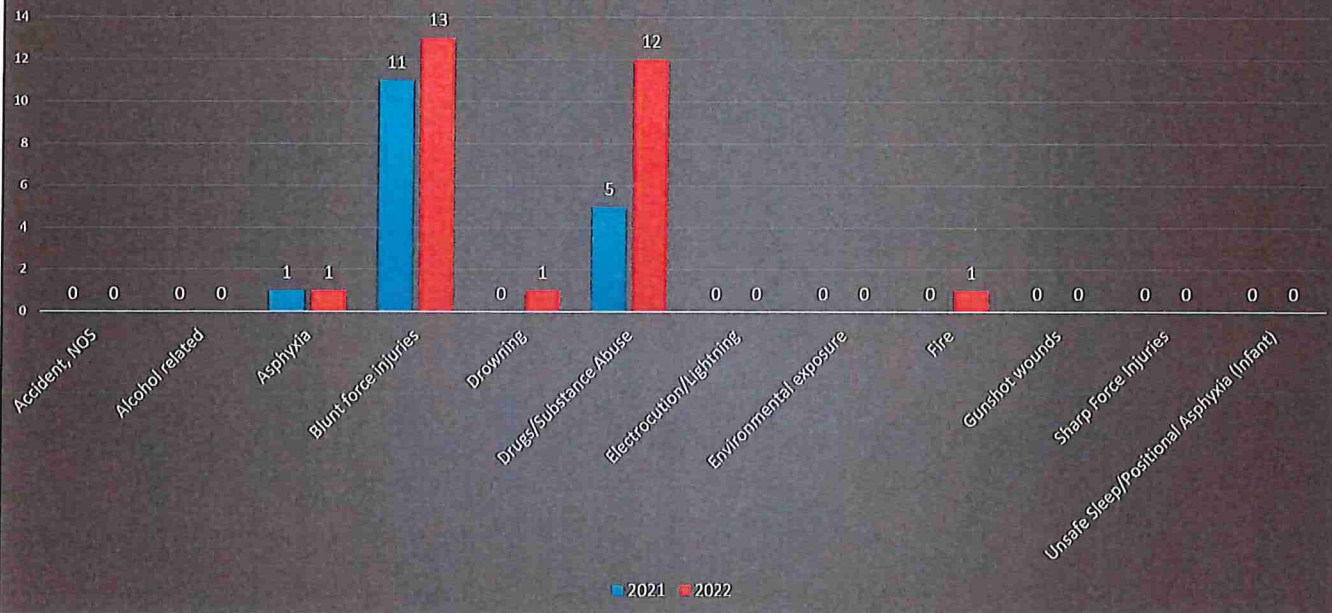
- Animal Cruelty
- Drug Narcotic Violations
- Drug Equipment Violations
- Gambling Offenses
 - Betting/Wagering
 - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling
 - Gambling Equipment Violations
 - Sports Tampering

- Pornography/Obscene Material
- Prostitution Offenses
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 - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution
 - Purchasing Prostitution
- Weapon Law Violation

Manner of Death by Year



Accident - Subclassification by Year



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Crimes Against Property

- Arson
- Bribery
- Burglary/Breaking & Entering
- Counterfeiting/Forgery
- Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property
- Embezzlement
- Extortion/Blackmail
- Fraud Offense
 - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game
 - Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud
 - Impersonation
 - Welfare Fraud
 - Wire Fraud
 - Identity Theft
 - Hacking/Computer Invasion
- Larceny/Theft Offenses
 - Pocket-Picking
 - Purse-Snatching
 - Shoplifting
 - Theft from Building
 - Theft from Coin Operated Machine or Device
 - Theft from Motor Vehicle
 - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories
 - All Other Larceny
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Robbery
- Stolen Property Offenses

GROUP B ARRESTS

The following are categorized as Group B arrests.

- Bad Checks
- Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations
- Disorderly Conduct
- Driving Under the Influence
- Drunkenness
- Nonviolent Family Offenses
- Liquor Law Violations
- Peeping Tom
- Trespass of Real Property
- All Other Offenses

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2022 BUREAU OF CRIME REPORT

2022 BCA CRIME RATES

Agency Name	County	Population	Crime Rate
Aitkin County Sheriff	Aitkin	13017	2665
Becker County Sheriff	Becker	22816	2042
Benton County Sheriff	Benton	13745	2328
Cass County Sheriff	Cass	27718	1955
Clay County Sheriff	Clay	10062	1391
Crow Wing County Sheriff	Crow Wing	31121	1166
Douglas County Sheriff	Douglas	23306	707
Isanti County Sheriff	Isanti	7257	2507
Kandiyohi County Sheriff	Kandiyohi	21713	2422
McCleod County Sheriff	McCleod	11686	1728
Mille Lacs County Sheriff	Mille Lacs	17745	3843
Morrison County Sheriff	Morrison	21693	2669
Ottertail County Sheriff	Ottertail	35803	835
Todd County Sheriff	Todd	19303	3154

2022 BCA CRIME STATS

