

Tarrant County Sheriff's Office  
2022 Racial Profiling Report  
Edgecliff Village, Texas



January 24, 2023

In compliance with Senate Bill 1074 of the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislature, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office is providing the data collected regarding stops, contacts, and searches during the calendar year 2022. Attached are the following documents:

- Racial profiling data with charts on the number of contacts by race, contacts by violation, searches by race and final outcomes by race;
- A copy of the Tarrant County Racial Profiling Policy approved by the Commissioners' Court; and
- A copy of the Tarrant County Sheriff's web-site that outlines the process to file complaints about racial profiling, including another copy of the policy.

In 2022, there was a significant increase in total traffic stops from 153 in 2021 to 856 in 2022 for an increase of 550%. The large increase is due in part to COVID restrictions were lifted and vehicle traffic and enforcement has increased. Hazardous violations accounted for 638 stops in Edgecliff Village, representing a ratio of 76% of stops in 2022. Hazardous violation stops comprise traffic violations that pose a hazard to public safety as opposed to equipment or administrative violations.

In Edgecliff Village, white drivers constituted 22% of all stops in 2022. Hispanic drivers increased to 36% of all stops from 20% in 2021. African American drivers accounted for 38% of drivers stopped, which is a slight decrease from 2021 of 39%. Other ethnic categories accounted for the remaining 4% of stops. Traffic violation enforcement in Edgecliff Village is conducted on the diverse drivers who are operating vehicles in the city and consequently do not accurately reflect the demographics of the overall community.

Deputies were able to discern the driver characteristics prior to the stop in only 2% of the stops conducted, 15 of 836. Deputies recognized the violator prior to the stop in two traffic stops. The recognition of the driver prior to the stop likely results from the driver being known to the deputy from previous contacts, or a person known to have a warrant for their arrest.

Enforcement action in Edgecliff Village occurred in 27% of the traffic stops. Nine of the encounters resulted in an arrest. There were 30 reported searches of the 836 the stops conducted in 2022, approximately 3% of the total stops conducted. Of those searched 16 yielded contraband.

The Sheriff's Office received no complaints of racial profiling in 2022. The Sheriff's Office monitors the activities of deputies by examining the actions of deputies regarding racial profiling, including reviews of traffic stop videos, and reviews of reporting standards and compliance. The policy prohibiting racial profiling and the procedures for filing a complaint of racial profiling can be found on the department's public access web site, <http://access.tarrantcounty.com/en/sheriff.html> under the Administration tab, or the inquiry tab.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Chief Deputy Tim Canas

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TARRANT

TARRANT COUNTY RACIAL PROFILING POLICY

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1074 was recently passed by the Legislature of the State of Texas prohibiting a peace officer from engaging in racial profiling;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1074 requires that not later than January 1st, 2002, a law enforcement agency covered by the law must adopt and implement a policy and begin collecting information under the policy;

WHEREAS, the Tarrant County Sheriff and the Constables of Tarrant County are now adopting, before the Tarrant County Commissioners Court, a policy prohibiting racial profiling by their agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tarrant County Sheriff and the Constables of Tarrant County (hereinafter collectively referred to as "agencies") adopt the following policy:

**Section 1.**

Racial profiling is defined as any 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.

**Section 2.**

All peace officers employed by the agencies are strictly prohibited from engaging in racial profiling. All law enforcement-initiated actions, which include all investigative detentions, traffic stops, arrests, searches and seizures of persons and/or property shall be based on a standard of reasonable suspicion or probable cause as required by law. All peace officers of the agencies must be able to articulate specific facts, circumstances and conclusions, which support probable cause or reasonable suspicion for the investigative detention, traffic stop or arrest.

**Section 3.**

All peace officers employed by the agencies shall not consider an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin in establishing either reasonable suspicion, probable cause or as a basis for requesting consent to search the individual or his or her property.

**Section 4.**

All peace officers employed by the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office must "check out" via radio on every vehicle or subject stop. At the conclusion of each stop, the peace officer will complete either a computerized or written form, capturing all data elements required to be obtained by law. This information will then be uploaded from the MDC to a computer database (if a computerized form) or manually inputted into a computer database (if a written form).

**Section 5.**

No peace officer employed by the agencies will conduct a search of a person or vehicle after peace officer-initiated contact without completing a written report detailing the search and the facts supporting it. In the event no offense or arrest report is appropriate, a Miscellaneous Incident report will be completed.

**Section 6.**

If an individual believes that a peace officer employed by any of the agencies has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual then the following complaint process shall govern:

A. Sheriff: If an individual believes that a peace officer employed by the Sheriff's Office has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual then the individual must file a written complaint before the 180th day after the alleged violation with the Tarrant County Sheriff's Department Internal Affairs Division located at 200 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102.

B. Constable: Refer to Constable Contact Page

**Section 7.**

The agencies will provide public education relating to the agencies complaint process via the Tarrant County web site located at www.tarrantcounty.com.

**Section 8.**

Appropriate corrective action will be taken against a peace officer employed by the agencies who, after an investigation, is shown to have engaged in racial profiling in violation of this policy.

**Section 9.**

The agencies will collect information as required by law relating to traffic stops in which a citation is issued and to arrests resulting from those traffic stops, including information relating to:

A. The race or ethnicity of the individual detained; and

B. Whether a search was conducted and, if so, whether the person detained consented to the search.

**Section 10.**

Each agency will submit to the Tarrant County Commissioners Court an annual report of the information collected pursuant to Section 9 above. Each agency shall first submit information to the Tarrant County Commissioners Court on March 1, each year. The first submission of information shall consist of information compiled by each agency during the period beginning January 1, each year, and ending December 31, each year. The report may not include identifying information about a peace officer who makes a traffic stop or about an individual who is stopped or arrested by a peace officer.

THIS POLICY is effective this the 18th day of December, 2001

## TARRANT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMPLAINT INSTRUCTIONS

**Internal Affairs Division**  
200 Taylor Street - 7th Floor  
Fort Worth, TX 76102  
817-884-1108

You may contact the Internal Affairs Division referencing the apparent misconduct by a Tarrant County Sheriff's Department employee in person, or by calling 817-884-1108. Office hours are Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., (excluding County holidays). After office hours, a message and return phone number may be left via voice mail and the call will be returned the following business day.

The Internal Affairs Division will investigate any calls that appear to be Level III. The result of these investigations may result in severe disciplinary action, up to loss of employment, or possible criminal investigation. Because of the severe consequences of sustained Third Level Complaints you must come to the Sheriff's Office to complete and sign a formal complaint form. If you are unable to come to the Sheriff's Office, accommodations will be made.

The complaint process generally takes the Department 60 calendar days to complete the investigation and for the Board of Disciplinary Review to determine what discipline shall be recommended and/or imposed.

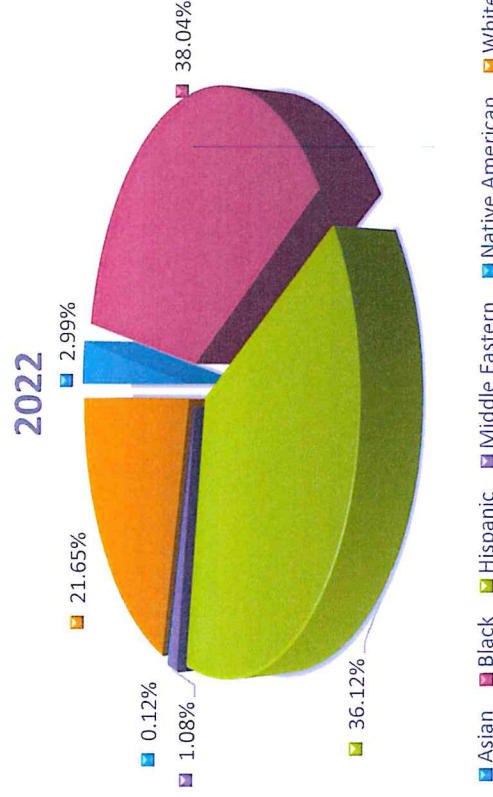
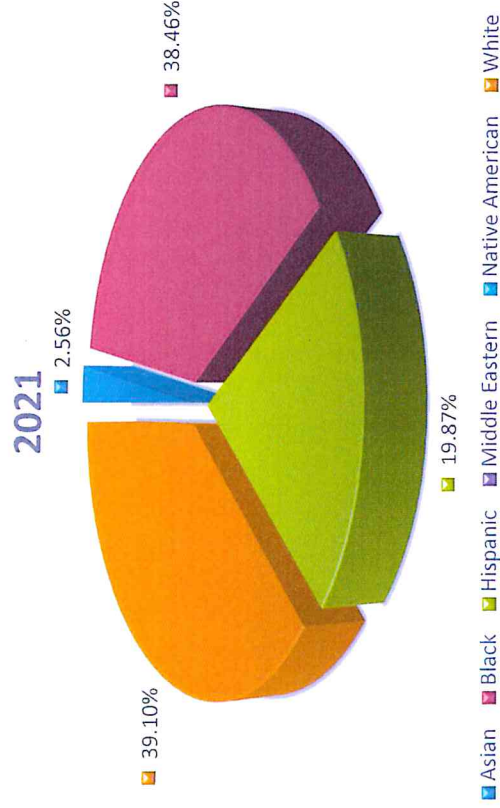


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## Contact By Race 2021 vs 2022

	2021	2022
Asian	4	25
Black	60	318
Hispanic	31	302
Middle Eastern		9
Native American		1
White	61	181
<b>Total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>836</b>





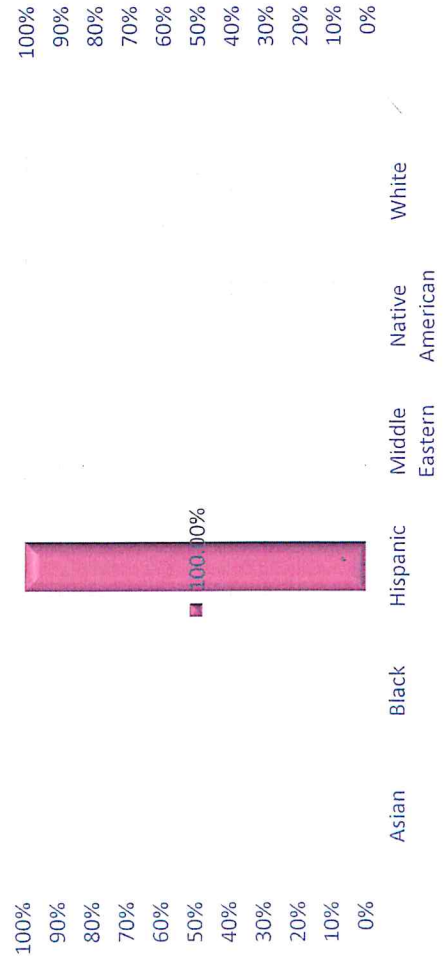
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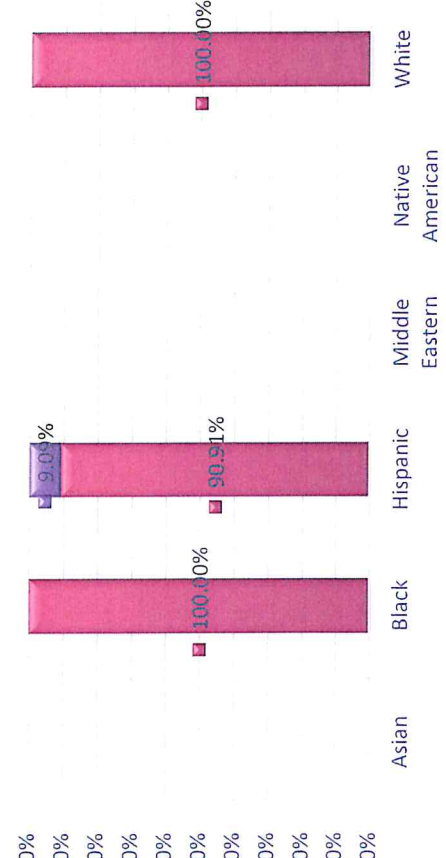
## Reason Search Conducted 2021 vs 2022

	Probable Cause		Consent		Plain View		Inventory Search		Incident to Arrest		Searches	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Asian												
Black		11										11
Hispanic	3	10		1							3	11
Middle Eastern												
Native American												
White		8										8
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>29</b>		<b>1</b>							<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>

### 2021



### 2022



■ Probable Cause ■ Consent ■ Plain View ■ Inventory Search ■ Incident to Arrest

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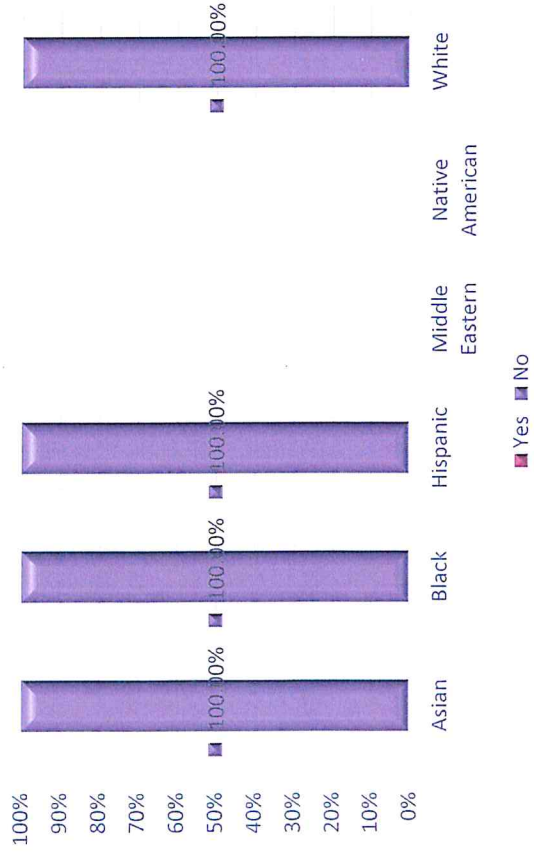


## Observe Driver Characteristics 2021 vs 2022

2021		Yes	No	Total
Asian			4	4
Black			60	60
Hispanic			31	31
Middle Eastern				
Native American				
White			61	61
<b>Totals</b>			<b>156</b>	<b>156</b>

2022		Yes	No	Total
Asian			25	25
Black		4	314	318
Hispanic		5	297	302
Middle Eastern			9	9
Native American			1	1
White		6	175	181
<b>Totals</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>836</b>

### 2021



### 2022





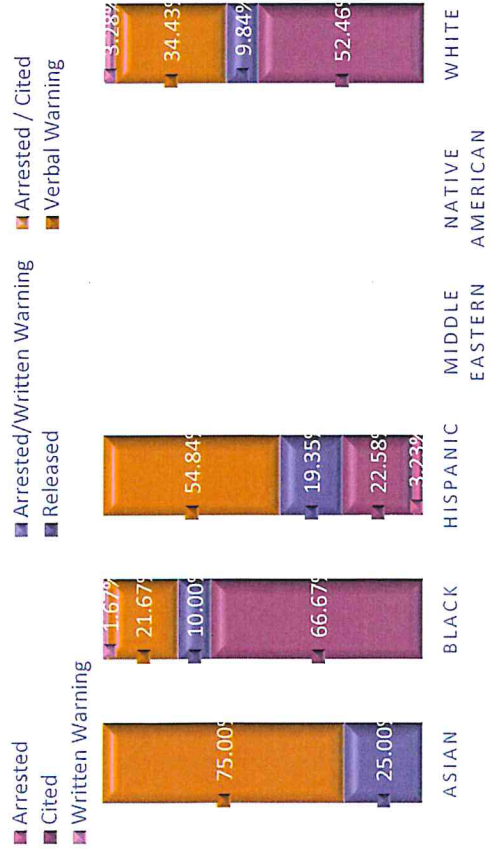
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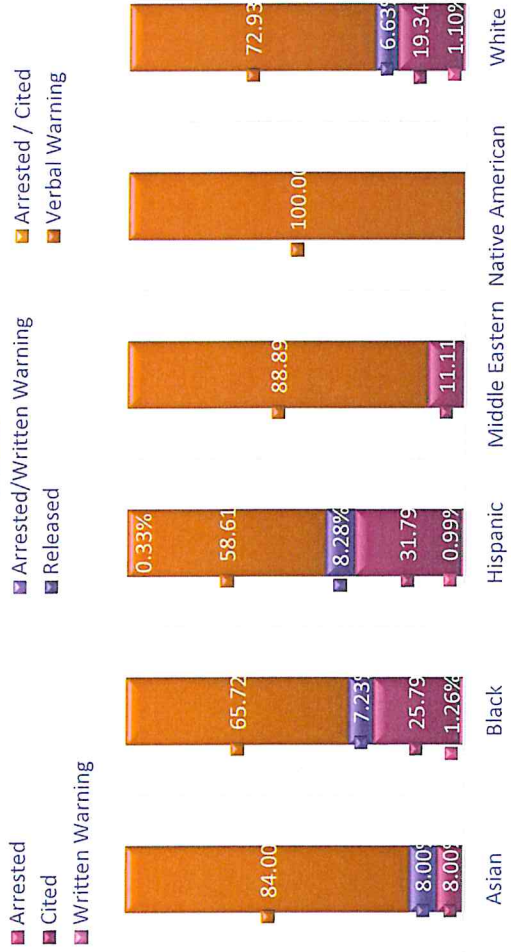
## Final Outcome of Contact 2021 vs 2022

2021	Arrested	Arrested / Written Warning	Cited	Released	Verbal Warning	Written Warning	Total	2022						Total	
								Arrested	Arrested / Written Warning	Cited	Released	Verbal Warning	Written Warning		Arrested / Cited
Asian				1	3		4				2	2	21		25
Black	3		40	6	13	1	60	4		82	23	209		318	
Hispanic			1	6	17		31	3		96	25	177	1	302	
Middle Eastern										1		8		9	
Native American												1		1	
White	1		32	6	21	2	61	2		35	12	132		181	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>79</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>54</b>			<b>9</b>		<b>216</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>836</b>	

### 2021



### 2022







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## Contraband Searches 2021 vs 2022

	Alcohol		Currency		Drugs		Weapons		Property		Other		Total	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Asian														
Black						9						1		10
Hispanic					1	4	1						2	4
Middle Eastern														
Native American														
White						2								2
<b>Total</b>					<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>						<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>

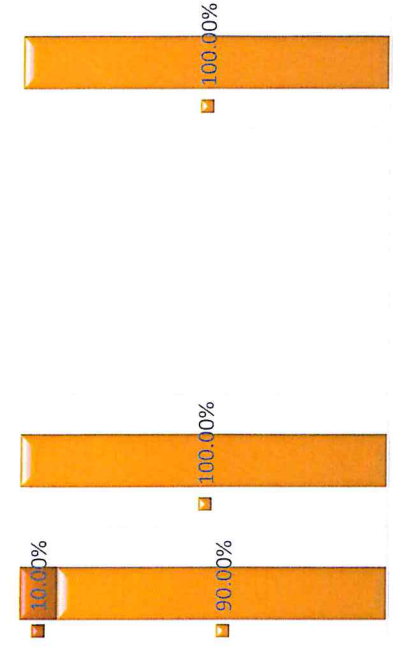
### 2021

Alcohol Currency Drugs Weapons Property Other



### 2022

Alcohol Currency Drugs Weapons Property Other



ASIAN BLACK HISPANIC MIDDLE EASTERN NATIVE AMERICAN WHITE

Asian Black Hispanic Middle Eastern Native American White



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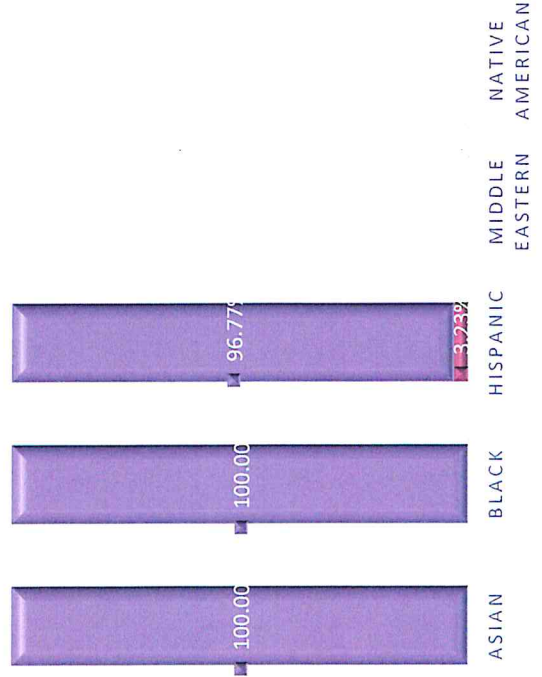
## Recognize Driver Prior To Stop 2021 vs 2022

2021		Yes	No	Total
Asian			4	4
Black			60	60
Hispanic		1	30	31
Middle Eastern				
Native American			61	61
White		1	155	156
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>156</b>

2022		Yes	No	Total
Asian			25	25
Black		1	317	318
Hispanic		1	301	302
Middle Eastern			9	9
Native American			1	1
White			181	181
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>836</b>

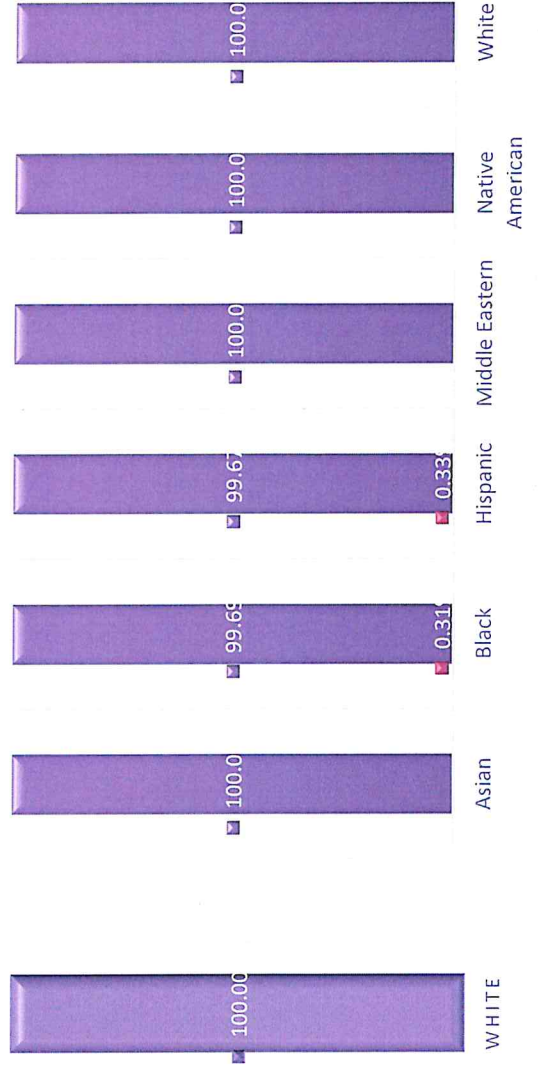
2021

■ Yes ■ No



2022

■ Yes ■ No





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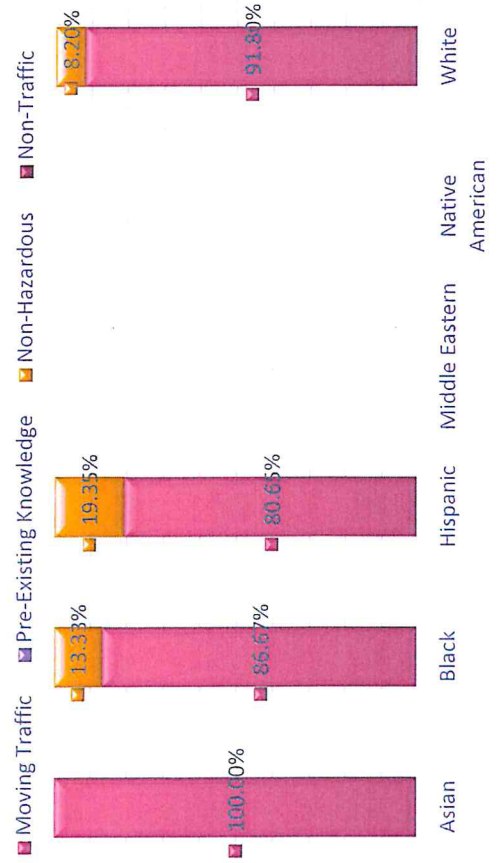


## Reason for Stop 2021 vs 2022

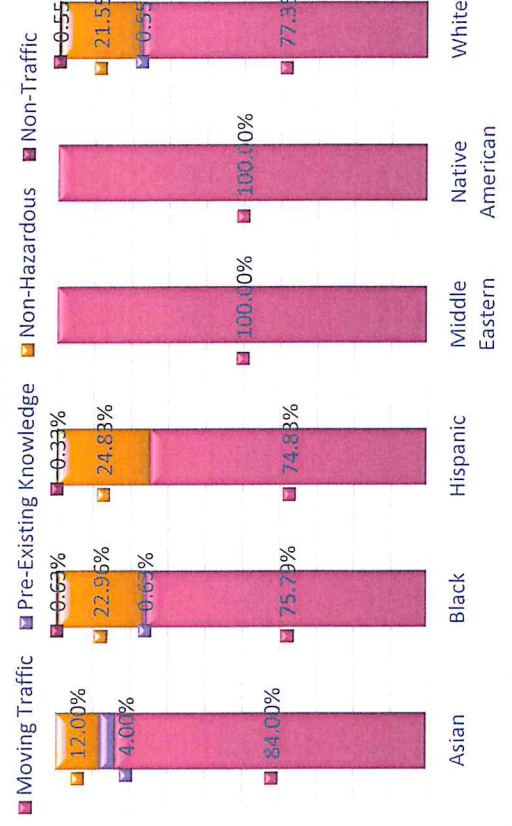
2021	Moving Traffic	Pre-Existing Knowledge	Non-Hazardous	Non-Traffic	Total
Asian	4				4
Black	52		8		60
Hispanic	25		6		31
Middle Eastern					
Native American					
White	56		5		61
<b>Total</b>	<b>137</b>		<b>19</b>		<b>156</b>

2022	Moving Traffic	Pre-Existing Knowledge	Non-Hazardous	Non-Traffic	Total
Asian	21	1	3		25
Black	241	2	73	2	318
Hispanic	226		75	1	302
Middle Eastern	9				9
Native American	1				1
White	140	1	39	1	181
<b>Total</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>836</b>

### 2021



### 2022





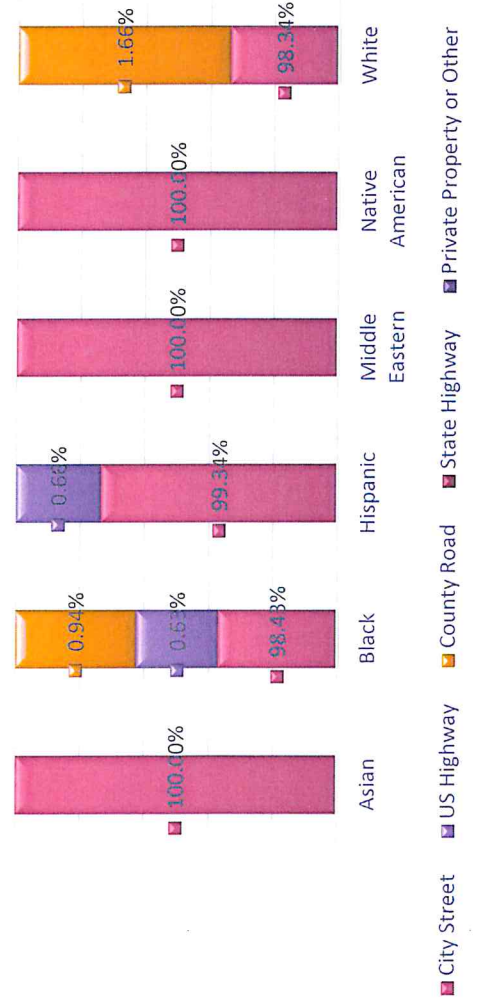
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## Street Address or Approximate Location of the Stop 2022

2022	City Street	US Highway	County Road	State Highway	Private Property or Other	Total
Asian	25					25
Black	313	2	3			318
Hispanic	300	2				302
Middle Eastern	9					9
Native American	1					1
White	178		3			181
<b>Total</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>836</b>

2022





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Was Physical Force Resulting in Bodily Injury Used During Stop?

2021	Yes	No	Total
Asian		4	4
Black		60	60
Hispanic		31	31
Middle Eastern		0	0
Native American		0	0
White		61	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>156</b>

2022	Yes	No	Total
Asian		25	25
Black	1	317	318
Hispanic		302	302
Middle Eastern		9	9
Native American		1	1
White	1	180	181
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>836</b>