

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2008

Agency: Town and Country Police Dept.

Population: 8,218

age 16 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	8494	7236	953	70	160	10	65
Searches	345	258	73	11	1	0	2
Arrests	367	278	75	11	1	0	2
Statewide population %	N/A	83.76	10.76	2.27	1.55	0.49	1.17
Local population %	N/A	85.60	2.29	1.34	9.50	0.09	1.18
Disparity index	N/A	1.00	4.90	0.62	0.20	1.38	0.65
Search rate	4.06	3.57	7.66	15.71	0.63	0.00	3.08
Contraband hit rate	7.83	8.53	5.48	9.09	0.00	#Error	0.00
Arrest rate	4.32	3.84	7.87	15.71	0.63	0.00	3.08

Notes: Population figures are 2008 Census estimates for persons 16 years of age and older who designated a single race. Hispanics may be of any race. Other includes persons of mixed race and unknown race.

Disparity index = (proportion of stops / proportion of population). A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation, values less than 1 indicate under-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

Contraband hit rate = (searches with contraband found / total searches) X 100.

Arrest rate = (arrests / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

VEHICLE STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Reason for stop	Moving	7926	6814	836	63	146	8	59
	Equipment	203	154	39	1	4	2	3
	License	405	309	78	3	10	0	5
	Investigative	96	67	24	4	1	0	0
Stop outcome	Citation	6199	5357	654	32	109	4	43
	Warning	1546	1289	197	18	27	5	10
	No action	853	675	119	20	26	1	12
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	5497	4610	718	43	80	8	38
	US hwy	122	101	15	3	3	0	0
	State hwy	1716	1522	116	17	47	1	13
	County road	388	346	26	0	12	1	3
	City street	451	381	41	6	13	0	10
	Other	320	276	37	1	5	0	1
Driver gender	Male	5406	4624	555	65	102	6	54
	Female	3088	2612	398	5	58	4	11
Driver age	17 and under	395	368	18	0	7	0	2
	18-29	3183	2666	407	39	51	1	19
	30-39	1886	1542	257	17	47	2	21
	40 and over	3030	2660	271	14	55	7	23

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	9	6	3	0	0	0	0
	Inventory	122	98	21	2	0	0	1
	Drug/alcohol odor	36	32	4	0	0	0	0
	Incident to arrest	323	244	65	11	1	0	2
	Plain view contraband	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	35	29	5	1	0	0	0
	Car/property	9	4	5	0	0	0	0
	Driver & Property	301	225	63	10	1	0	2
Search duration	0-15 minutes	341	254	73	11	1	0	2
	16-30 minutes	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
	31+ minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	15	13	1	1	0	0	0
	Currency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
	Other	8	8	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	125	79	45	0	0	0	1
	Drug violation	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Traffic Violation	165	113	42	8	1	0	1
	DWI/BAC	172	157	11	3	1	0	0
	Property offense	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Other	14	11	1	1	0	0	1

Agency response

It is unfortunate that our disparity index is based upon the population demographics of the City of Town and Country, which has a population of approximately 11,000 people with an African American population of 1.98 percent. The Town and Country Police Department is committed to the fair and impartial application of the law while attempting to maintain a safe environment for all people who travel in and through our City limits. A careful examination of the data indicates that our practice matches this policy.

Nearly 400,000 motorists travel through our city limits each weekday with the second most voluminous interchange in the state (Interstates 64 and I-270). Our motoring public is reflective of the demographics of the state and St. Louis County, which are comprised of African American populations of 10.25 and 19 percent respectively. The traffic stop data for Town and Country Police Officers indicates that only 2 percent of the motorists stopped are residents of Town and Country. The natural implication of this statistic is that the ratio of the race of motorists stopped for violations would reflect state and county demographics, not the City of Town and Country.