



## **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Alan Hart • James Hairston • Ken Witkoe  
Mark Peila • Ray Dotson • Mark Terry  
Council Member Michael Brandstetter, Committee Liaison  
Police Chief Mike Zaro, Committee Staff Support

**Regular Meeting, Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 5:15 p.m**  
**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comments
5. Presentation- Councilmember Mary Moss, Lakewood Multicultural Coalition
6. City Council Liaison Comments
7. Fire Department Comments
8. Police Department Comments
9. Unfinished Business
  - Railroad Crossing (Clover Creek) Concerns
  - Joint Meeting with City Council, August 24<sup>th</sup>- James Hairston
  - Recruitment for PSAC
10. New Business
  - Preview of Next Meeting (October 7th)
11. Reports from Board Members & Staff
  - Community Outreach Reports & Open Discussion on Public Safety
  - Pending Policy / Ordinance Changes
12. Adjournment

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## **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 3, 2020  
Zoom Virtual Meeting

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Alan Hart, James Hairston, Ken Witkoe, Ray Dotson, Mark Peila and Mark Terry

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: Michael Trask

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

City Councilmember Present: Councilmember Mike Brandstetter

Fire Department Staff Present: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams

Lakewood Youth Council Present: Lynese Camack

Staff Present: Chief Mike Zaro and Committee Staff Support; Joanna Nichols, Administrative Assistant

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Peila motioned to approve February's meeting minutes. All ayes; minutes were approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

PRESENTATION: Reserve Officer Travis Smith gave an overview of the Reserve Program. Q & A session ensued.

### CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilmember Mike Brandstetter stated that the City Council would be asking for public input on the July 20<sup>th</sup> agenda regarding the Fireworks Ordinance. Councilmember Brandstetter also stated that the City had received funds to help recover from Covid-19, and they were currently working on the budget adjustments for 2021 and 2022. It was thought that Pierce County would likely be moving on to Phase 2 on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

### YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Lynese Cammack stated that, like most other committees, the Youth Council has been unable to meet. The senior class will be graduating on June 15<sup>th</sup>, so there will be new liaisons for next school year. They did present their Youth Summit video to City Council.

### FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams discussed the Fire Department's Covid-19 safety measures and also gave a Fire Department call recap. Chief Adams stated that fireworks stand applications are down a little bit right now, but they're waiting to see if that picks up.

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams gave an update on their Cadet Academy; their graduation was on Friday, and they are always recruiting!

### POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Chief Michael Zaro gave a Covid-19 recap as well as a recap of recent cases, to include the Officer Involved Shooting. Due to recent law changes, LPD has nothing to do with the investigation, which means they have no information to share. No decisions will be made until the investigation is completed.

Chief Michael Zaro discussed the George Floyd case and protests around the country, with emphasis on protests in Lakewood. Discussion ensued.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe stated that SummerFest had been cancelled, so that was no longer on the agenda for this year.

Chair Ken Witkoe asked what was still needed for the Joint PSAC/City Council meeting coming up on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Mike Brandstetter stated he

would speak with the City Council and ask that the Joint Meeting be moved to August, since Covid had prohibited them from meeting and discussing the work plan in previous months.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe discussed next month's meeting guest speaker Councilmember Mary Moss and asked Administrative Assistant Joanna Nichols to reach out and schedule her for August's meeting.

Chair Ken Witkoe brought up HB 1754, asking if anyone on the committee had heard about it yet. Discussion ensued.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Members discussed their Neighborhood Associations, as applicable.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee:

Attest:

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Ken Witkoe, Chair

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Joanna Nichols, Secretary

## Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) 2020 ANNUAL WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE

**Members:**

Chair Ken Witkoe	Mark Terry
Vice Chair James Hairston	Ray Dotson
Mark Peila	Alan Hart

**Council Liaison:**

Councilmember Michael Brandstetter

**City Staff Support:**

Police Chief Michael Zaro  
Administrative Assistant Joanna Nichols

**Meeting Schedule:**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every other month, 5:15 p.m., Lakewood Police Station

**2020 Work Plan:**

1.	Recruitment
2.	Infrastructure Safety Issues
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

Date	Topic(s)
2/5	Western State Hospital and SummerFest Prep
4/1	Reserve Program Presentation and SummerFest Prep
6/3	Coalition Presentation and Final SummerFest Prep
8/5	
10/7	Election and Work Plan for 2021
12/2	Work Plan and Joint Meeting Prep

**Special Events:**

Date	Event
May 5	Pierce County Law Enforcement Memorial (6 p.m. at Sharon McGavick Center)
June 22	City Council/PSAC Joint Study Session
July 11	SummerFest

**PSAC 2019/2020**  
**WORK PLAN AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Members:**

Chair Ken Witkoe  
 Vice-Chair James Hairston  
 Alan Hart  
 Mark Peila

Mark Terry  
 Ray Dotson

**Council Liaison:**

Councilmember TBD

**City Staff Support:**

Chief Michael Zaro  
 Admin Assistant Joanna Nichols

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**Accomplishments:**

Date	Topic(s)
12/16/19	Fireworks Recommendation letter to City Council submitted
	Gathered and evaluated information regarding Adult Family Homes. Conclusion: the City is being as proactive as they can be and nothing more can be done via PSAC.
	Worked with City engineers/Public Works regarding train tracks/safety concerns, to include discussion of possible solutions and specific concerns such as Clover Creek train intersection. It is an on-going challenge that the City is staying on top of as best they can.

**(Current Year) Work Plan:**

1.	Recruitment
2.	Energize Neighborhood Associations
3.	Infrastructure Safety Issues
4.	
5.	
6.	

# Lakewood Police Department Quarterly Crime Report



- [NIBRS Incidents for 2Q2020 by District](#)
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- [YTD Use of Force](#)



**2nd Quarter 2020**





## Lakewood Police Department

**2nd Quarter 2020 Calls For Service: 12,587 LE (1Q – 12,250 LE)**

**Lakewood PD Arrests (Felony): 83 (1Q -123)**

**Lakewood PD Arrests (Gross Misdemeanor): 2 (1Q- 0)**

**Lakewood PD Arrests (Misdemeanor): 187 (1Q – 261)**

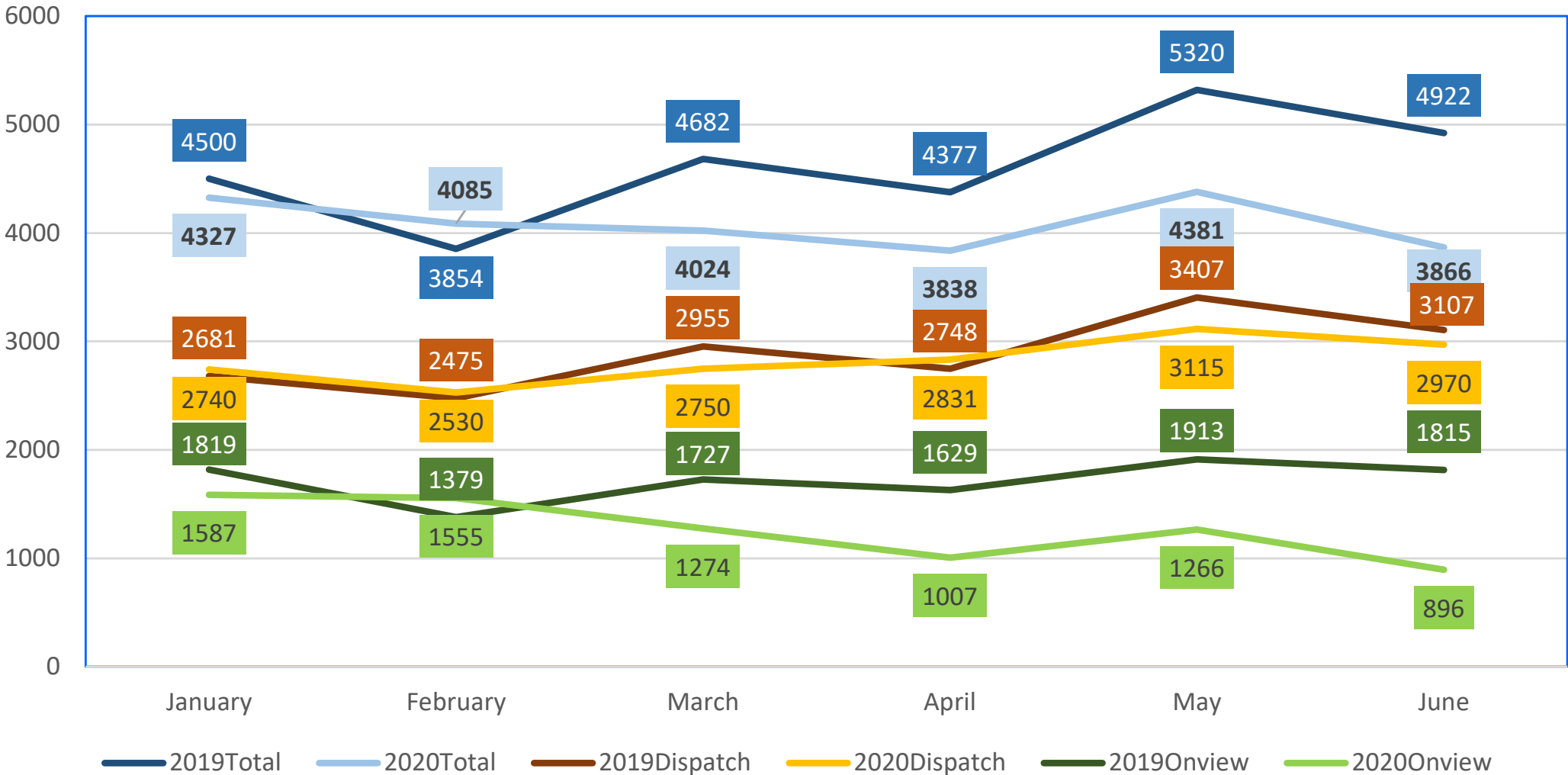
**Warrant Arrests: 79 (1Q – 170)**

**2nd Quarter 2020**




# COVID19 COMPARISON

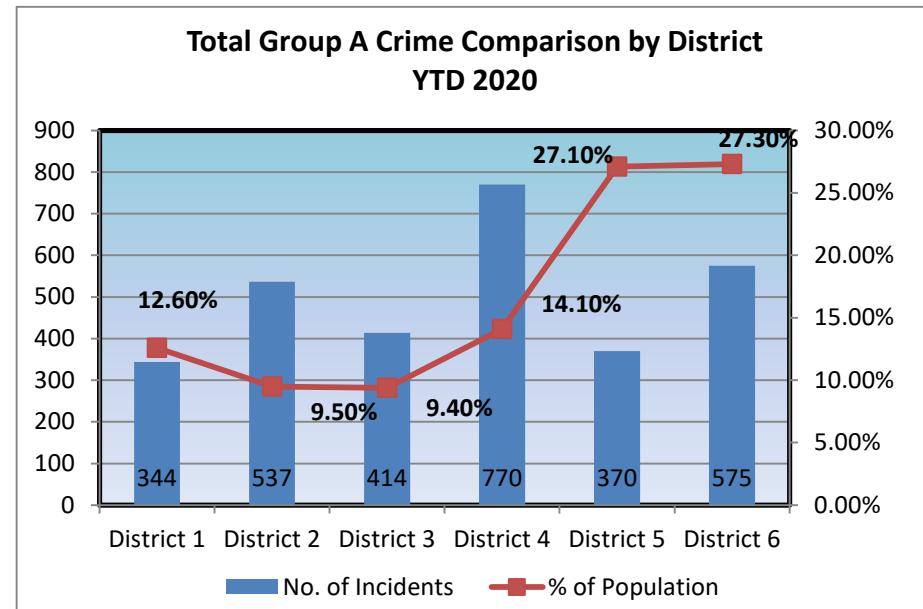
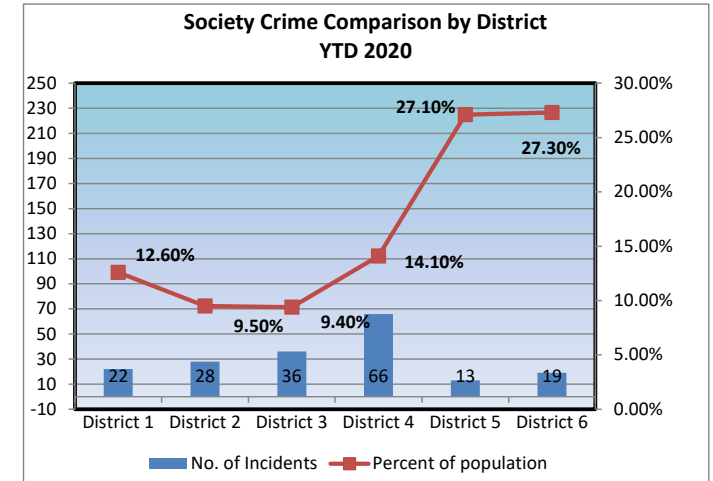
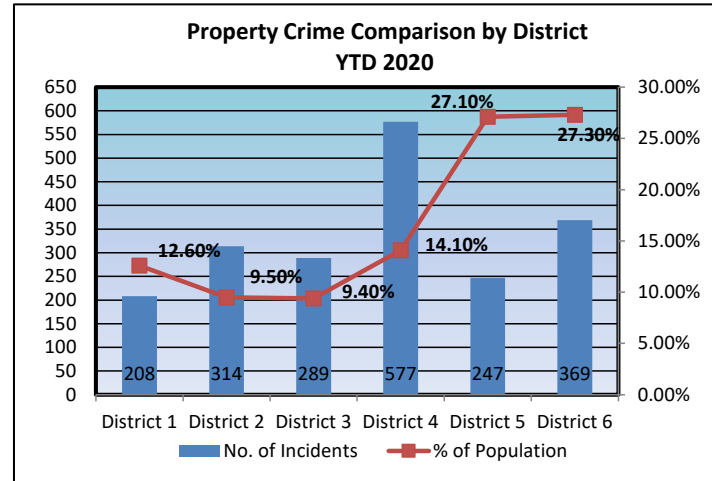
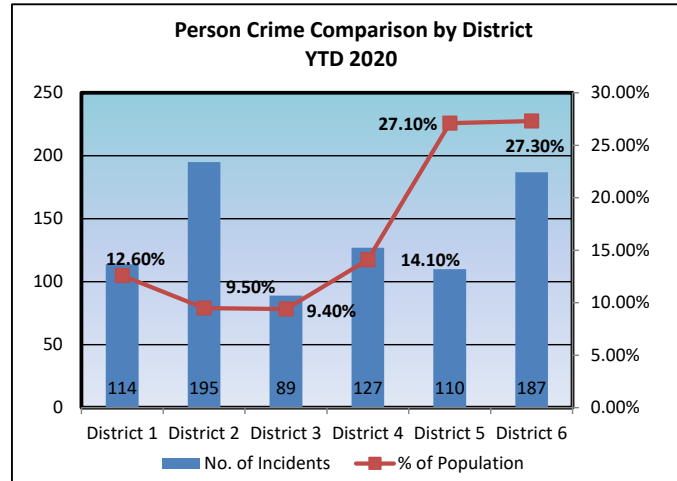
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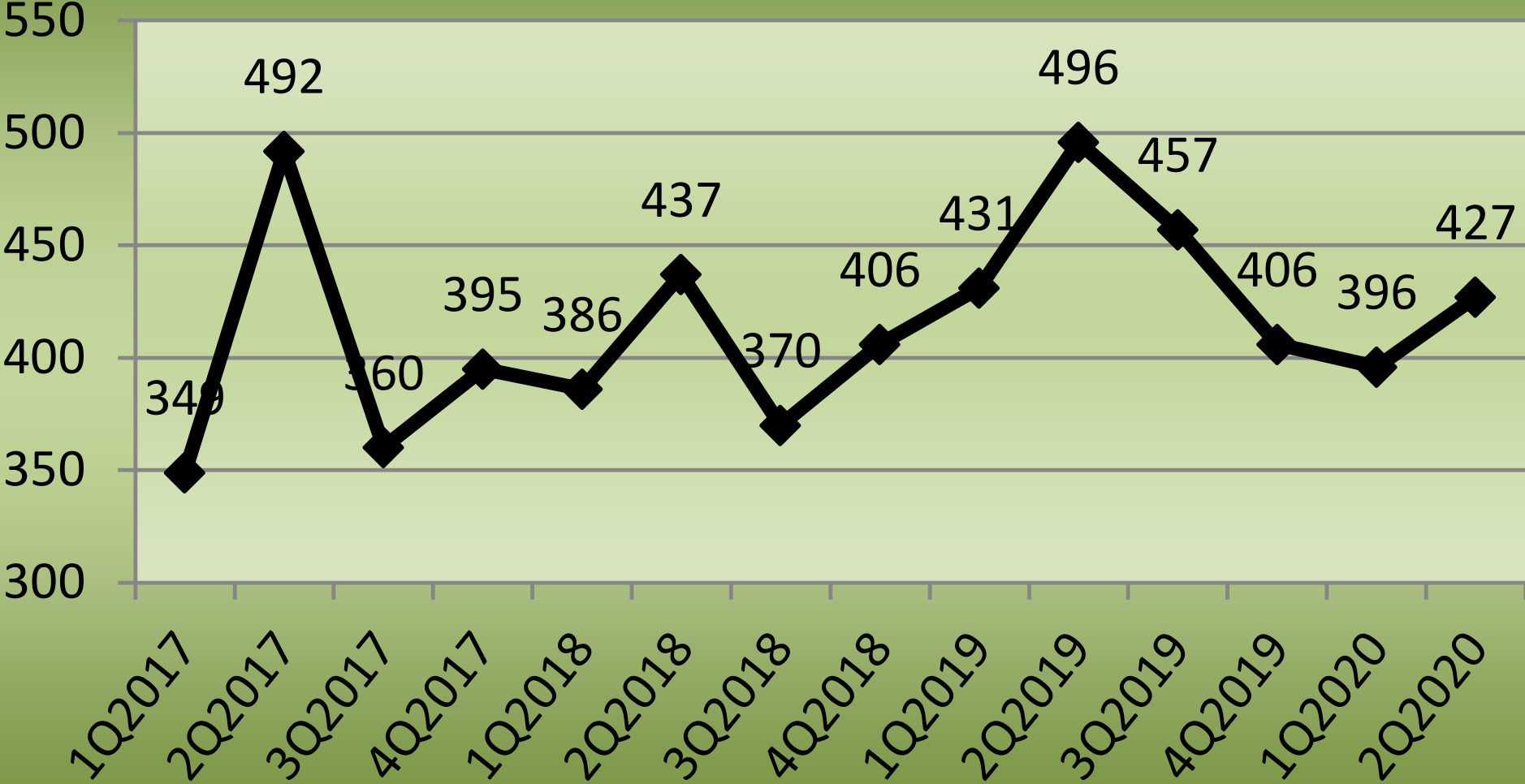
# City of Lakewood Incident Report 2Q 2020

	2nd Quarter 2020						City		Quarterly Percent Change	City		YTD Percent Change
	LD01	LD02	LD03	LD04	LD05	LD06	1Q2020	2Q2020	1Q20-2Q20	YTD2019	YTD2020	2Q2019-2020
	<b>Person Crimes</b>											
Aggravated Assault	23	37	17	16	19	15	88	127	44.32%	189	215	13.76%
Simple Assault	25	66	26	41	37	70	270	265	-1.85%	651	536	-17.67%
Homicide	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	-66.67%	3	4	NA
Kidnapping	1	1	1	0	3	3	12	9	-25.00%	14	21	50.00%
Sex (Forcible)	2	3	0	4	0	0	10	9	-10.00%	28	19	-32.14%
Sex (NonForcible)	0	5	1	1	4	4	13	15	15.38%	42	28	-33.33%
<b>Totals and Averages</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>9.23%</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>-11.22%</b>
<b>Property Crimes</b>												
Arson	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.00%	7	4	-42.86%
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	0	0	NA
Burglary	20	16	22	21	20	17	118	116	-1.69%	210	234	11.43%
Counterfeiting	1	2	1	1	0	0	15	5	-66.67%	46	20	-56.52%
Vandalism	36	46	37	64	31	70	250	284	13.60%	561	534	-4.81%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	1	0	NA
Extortion	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	4	300.00%	3	7	NA
Fraud	2	5	8	19	11	20	44	65	47.73%	130	117	-10.00%
Larceny	10	49	49	126	50	83	432	367	-15.05%	851	839	-1.41%
Motor Vehicle Theft	50	32	21	30	15	20	94	168	78.72%	163	220	34.97%
Robbery	8	4	2	4	1	1	14	20	42.86%	48	29	-39.58%
Stolen Property	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	NA	0	0	NA
<b>Totals and Averages</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>1034</b>	<b>6.60%</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>-0.79%</b>
<b>Society Crimes</b>												
Drug	5	6	5	15	2	1	94	34	-63.83%	197	128	-35.03%
Pornography	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	NA	7	3	-57.14%
Prostitution	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	3	0.00%	7	6	-14.29%
upon Law Violations	5	3	1	6	3	2	27	20	-25.93%	43	47	9.30%
<b>Totals and Averages</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>-55.12%</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>-50.39%</b>
<b>Grand Totals and Av</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>1487</b>	<b>1517</b>	<b>2.02%</b>	<b>3201</b>	<b>2953</b>	<b>-7.75%</b>

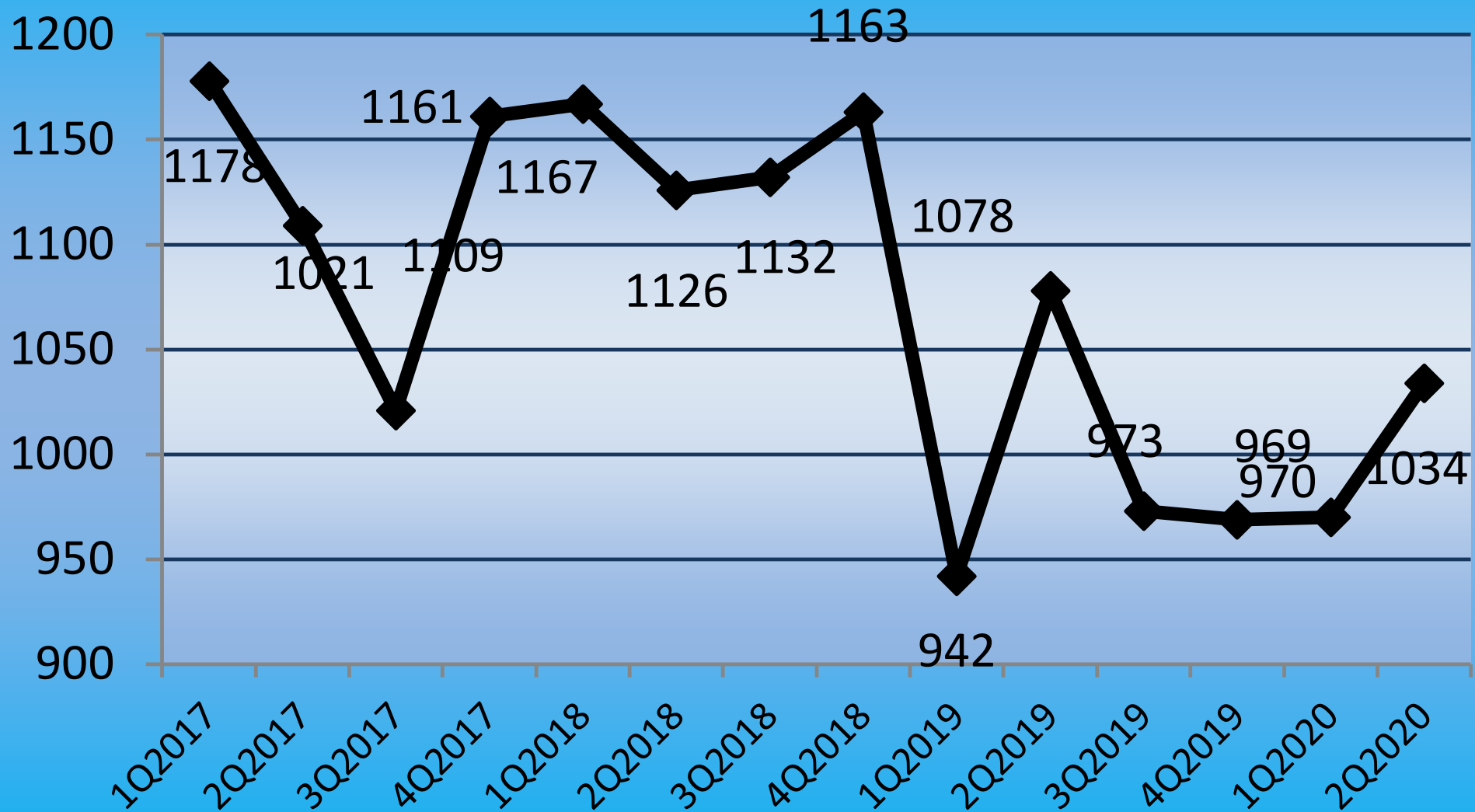
# Comparison Crime Against Population



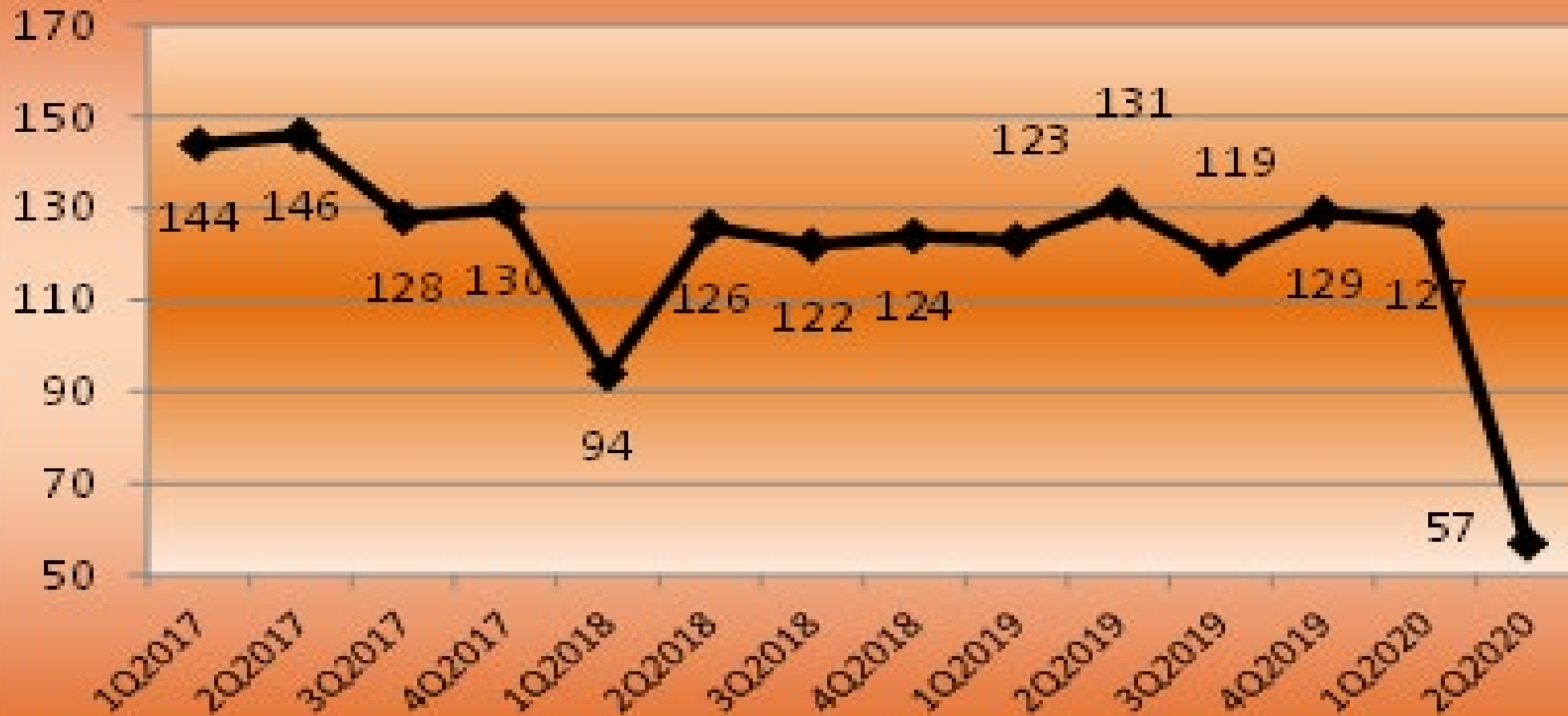
# NIBRS Person Crime By Quarter 2017-2020



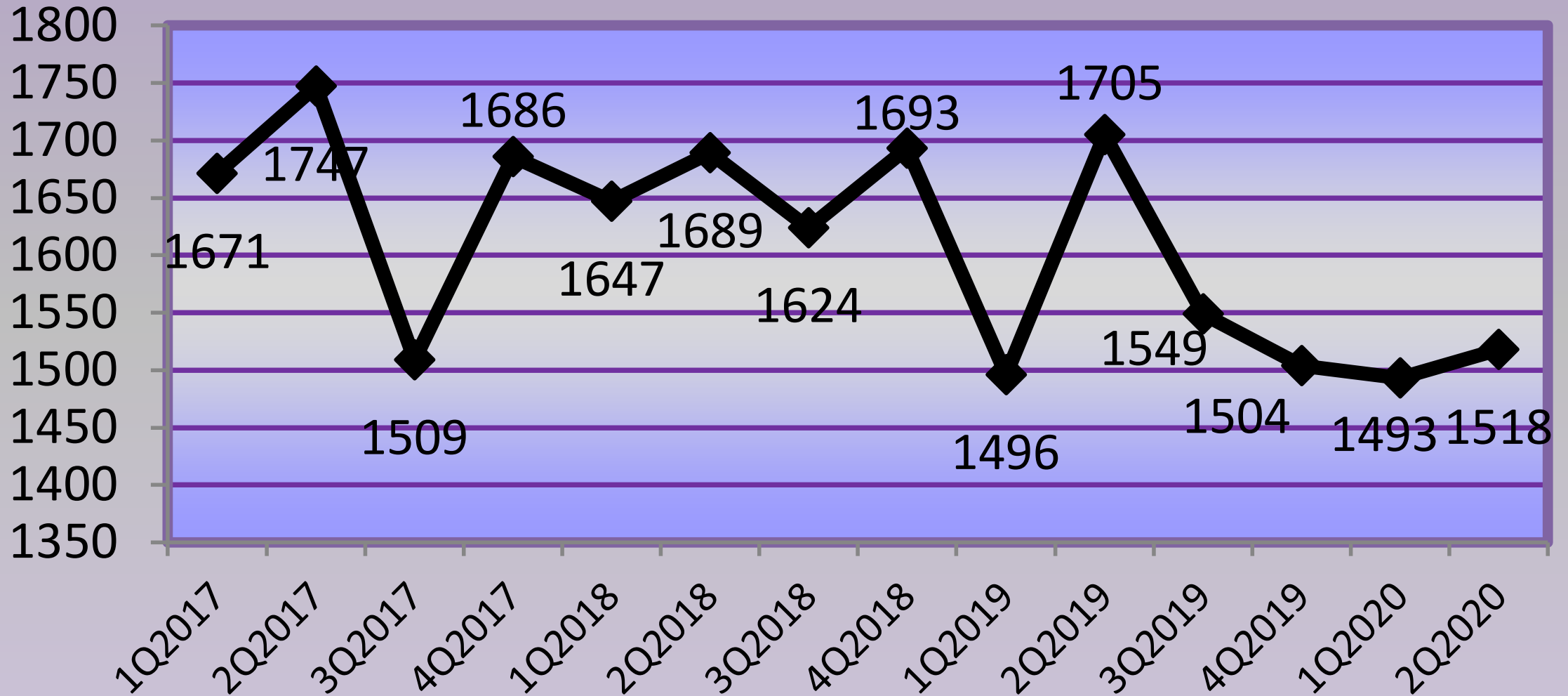
# NIBRS Property Crime By Quarter 2017-2020



## NIBRS Society Crimes By Quarter 2017-2020

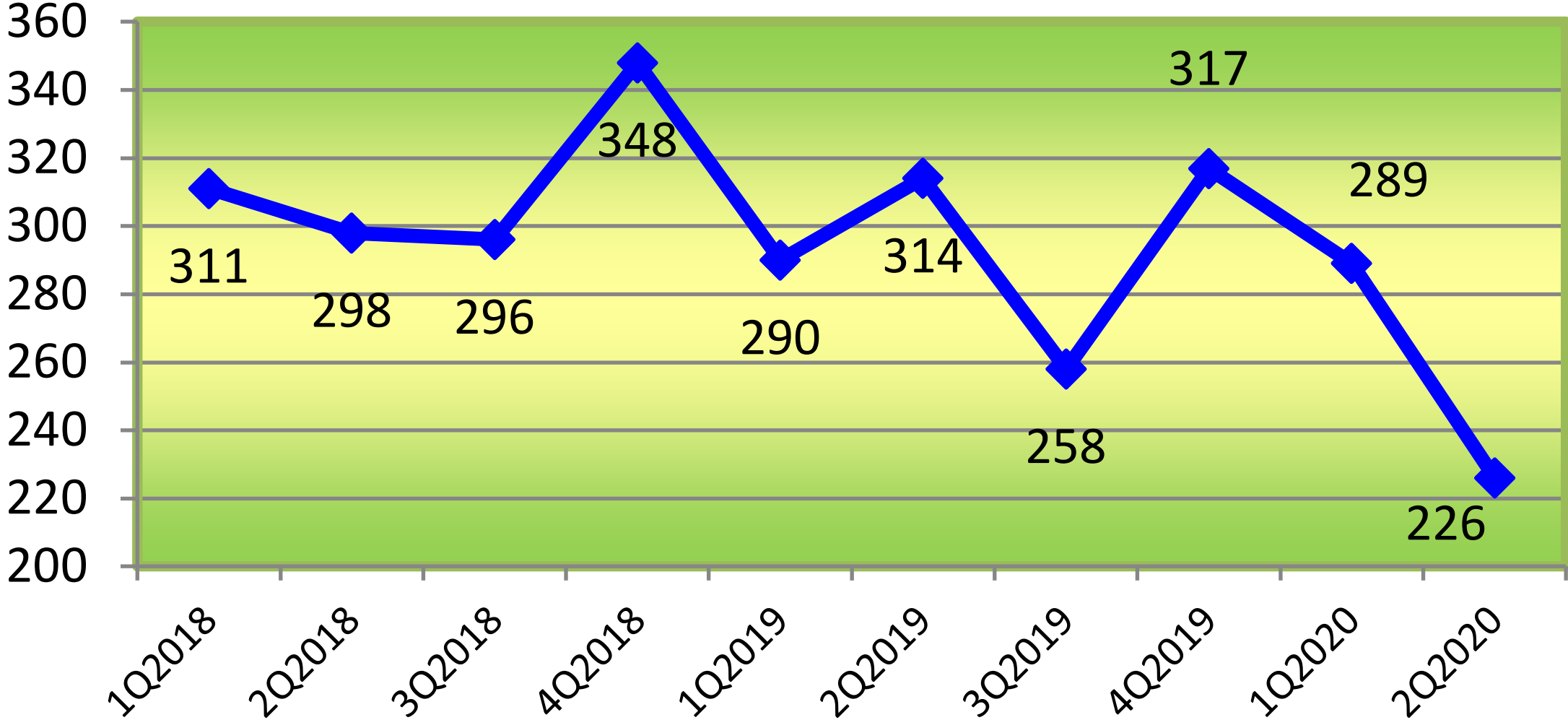


# NIBRS Total Crime By Quarter 2017-2020





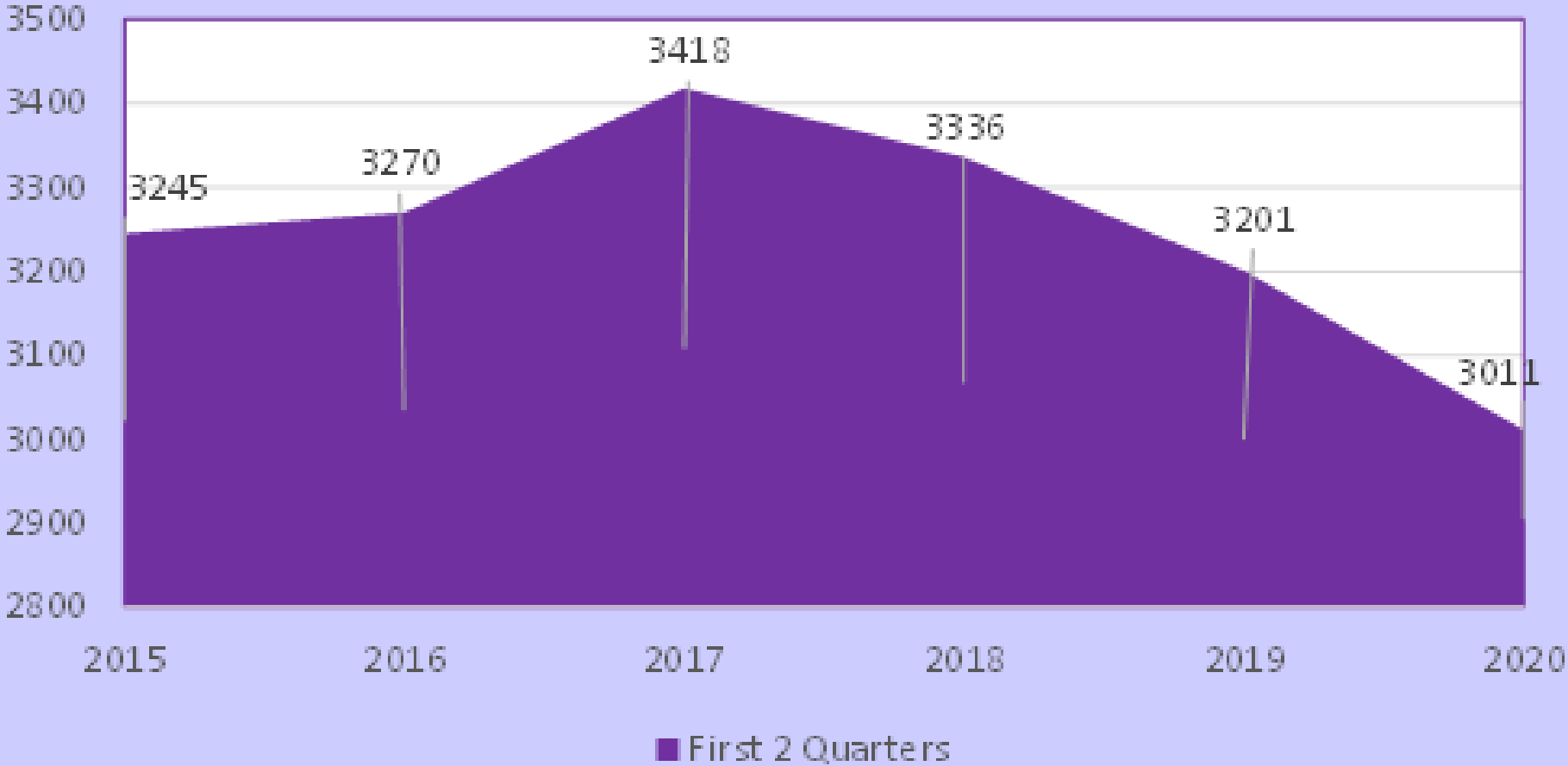
# Total Accidents By Quarter (Reports) 2018-2020



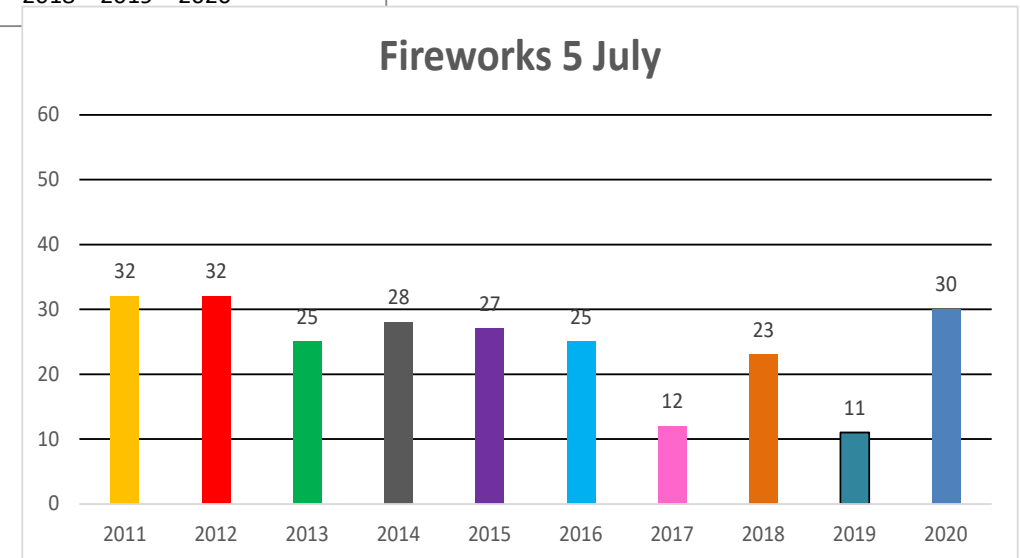
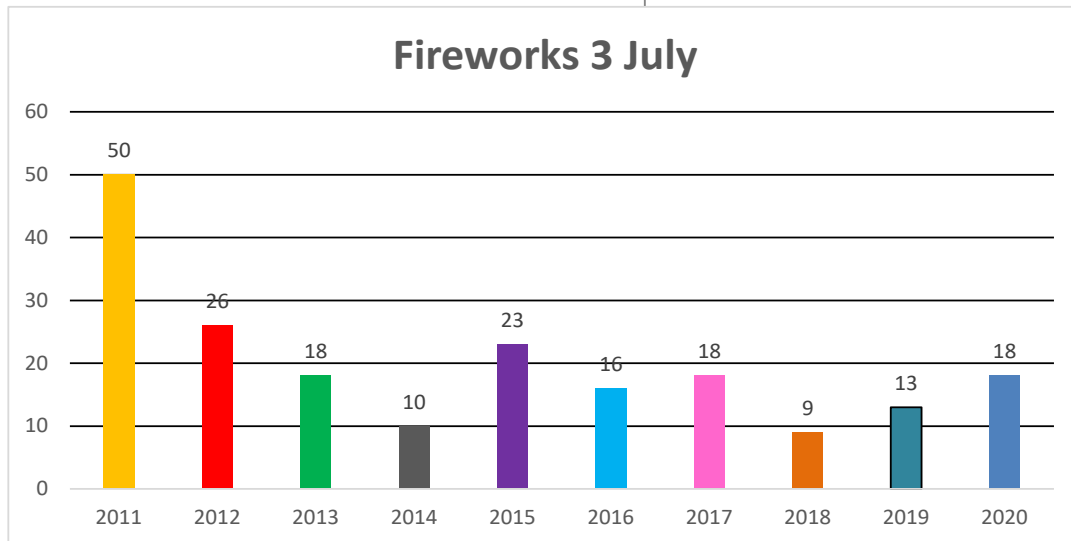
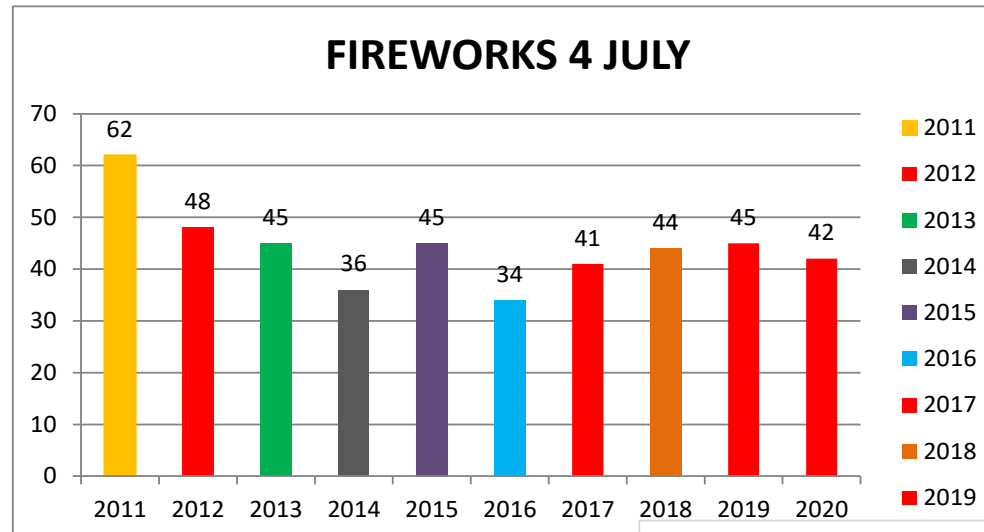
# 2nd Quarter 2020 Recap and analysis

- 2016100401 – Homicide –On 9 June 2020 St. Clare Hospital. The suspect meets his estranged wife (a St. Clare nurse) in the parking lot of the hospital. He convinces her to have her boyfriend (also a St. Clare employee) to come outside to talk. As soon as they got near each other the suspect pulled out a pistol, shot and killed the boyfriend and then shot and killed himself.
- 2016400393 – On 12 June 2020, Lakewood officers responded to a robbery at Advance Auto Parts Store on S Tacoma Way. Upon arrival, the suspect aggressively approached one officer with a knife, causing the officer to pull his service weapon. The suspect ran away and when encountered by other officers threatened them with the knife before running away again after being Tased with no effect (heavy clothing). An officer eventually used the threat of a non-lethal shotgun to get the suspect to comply where he was handcuffed and taken into custody.
- 2015400098 – On 2 June 2020, amidst national protests over Minneapolis death in police custody incident, the Sprint Store at 5605 Lakewood Towne Center Blvd was broken into and looted. There have been three formal protests in Lakewood with Lakewood officers providing traffic control. All protests went off smoothly and peacefully.
- 2012201340 – Lakewood Officer involved shooting at the 6400 Block of Steilacoom Blvd. The case is being investigated by the Cooperative Cities Crime Response Unit.
- Crimes Against Persons rose 8% in the second quarter attributed almost exclusively to aggravated assaults. That being said, we typically see a 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter increase in persons crimes but the 8% this year is significantly less than the last three years (2019-15%, 2018-12%, and 2017-41%).
- Crimes Against Property in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter rose almost 7% from the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. This is attributed to motor vehicle thefts where we saw an increase of 78%. In consulting with the Puget Sound Auto Theft Task Force, we learned that there were theft rings and individuals who were active during this time. Arrests have been made in some cases and we'll wait to see the impact of those arrests in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

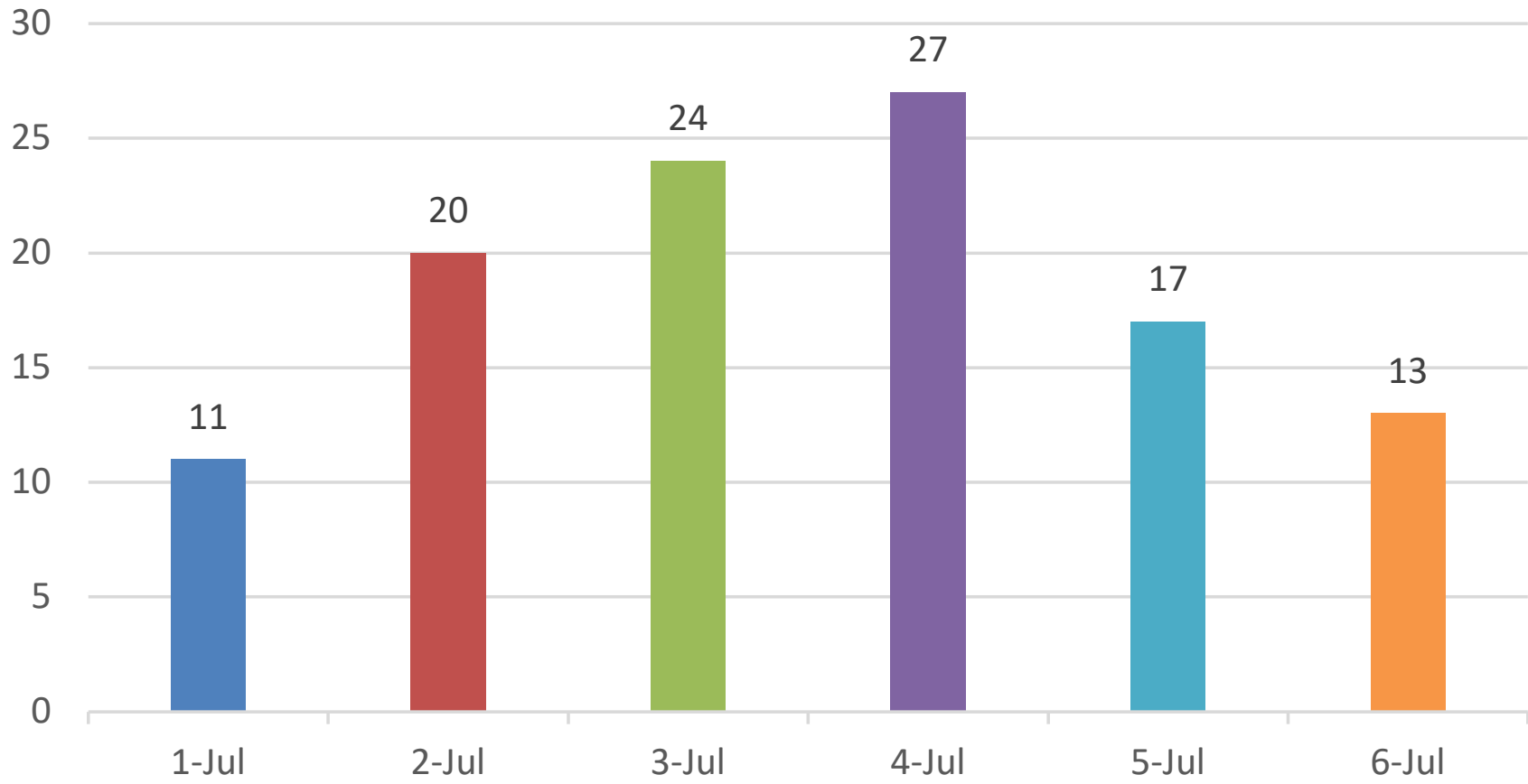
# Total Crime First 2 Quarters 2015-2020



# Fireworks Related Calls For Service



### CFS By FIRE 1 July to 6 July (mid day)



# WPFR Activity Summary

4<sup>th</sup> of July summary:

WPFR received 14 incidents of firework related fires from crews this weekend. 13 of the fires were vegetation, brush, small tree, grass type. One fire involved discarded trash next to an old refrigerator outside near a home. No reports of damage to structures related to these calls. We had number of similar type fires during this same period but they did not appear to be related to fireworks. No firework related injuries were reported or documented.

Fires: 12 from Lakewood, 1 from Steilacoom, 1 from University Place

# Use of Force

- 1<sup>st</sup> 6 months: 65 incidents
- Use of force by type
  - Physical strength (arm bar, counter joint, more than one person needed, etc): 43
  - Taser: 8
  - VNR: 7
  - Impact Weapon: 2
  - OC Spray: 1
  - Strikes (punches or kicks): 2
  - K9: 2
  - Firearm: 1
- Compared to 905 total arrests: 7% (most uses of force are related to an arrest but not all)
- Compared to 24,837 total calls for service: .26%

		<b>Primary</b>	<b>Backup</b>
<b>Tillicum/Woodbrook</b> Tillicum American Lake Gardens Community Center 14916 Washington Ave SW 6:30 p.m. 1st Thursday of the Month	<b>Active</b>	James	Mark P
<b>Lake City</b> West Pierce Fire Station 22 8517 Washington Blvd. 7 p.m. 2nd Thursday of the Month	<b>Active</b>		
<b>Lakeview</b> West Pierce Fire Station 20 10928 Pacific Hwy SW 7 p.m. 4th Thursday of the Month	<b>In hibernation</b>	<b>No rep needed</b>	
<b>Springbrook/Pacific</b> Centerforce 5204 Solberg Dr SW 6 p.m. 3rd Thursday of the month	<b>In hibernation</b>	<b>No rep needed</b>	
<b>North Lakewood</b> Elks Lodge 6313 75th St W, Lakewood 7 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday, every other month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov)	<b>Active</b>	Mark P	Ken
<b>Northeast</b> West Pierce Fire Station 20 10928 Pacific Hwy SW 7 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the Month	<b>In hibernation</b>	<b>No rep needed</b>	
<b>Springbrook Connections</b> 5202 Solberg Dr SW 2 p.m. 2nd Thursday of the month	<b>Active</b>	Alan	

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