

## **JUNEAU POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 7-1-07 – 6-30-08**

**In one year what do employees of the Juneau Police Department accomplish? The incredibly diverse responsibilities of a Juneau police officer make the term "routine business" a dichotomy.**

**Behind the statistics are days of service to the community, tempered with skill, experience, and emotion; days that for many of our citizens may represent a bad experience or even tragedy.**

**But when major events occur, the citizens of Juneau come together in support of this agency. 2007-2008 had its share of major events. This report is a snapshot in time from the drift of police work that came before and continues every day.**

## July 4



*July 4, 2007 parade winds up Franklin St.*

The July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration continues to be Juneau's favorite summer holiday and 2007 was no exception. It's also JPD's busiest working holiday each year. Vacations are cancelled and all officers are expected to work. Chief Browning even led the parade in a new patrol car. In addition to providing crowd and traffic control for the parade, between midnight July 3 and midnight July 4, JPD personnel responded to 312 calls for service.

## July 14 5:56 AM



*Early on a July Saturday morning, JPD officers investigate a fatal crash at 19 Mile on Glacier Hwy.*

**JULY, 07**

A young man's life tragically ends when his vehicle leaves the road and careens down an embankment. JPD officers often find themselves helping shattered families pick up the pieces.



**AUGUST, 07**

**August 2**

**6:38 PM**



*Ofc T. Allen and K. Campbell on Dixon St.*

A frantic woman calls 9-1-1 requesting an ambulance for her son who has stopped breathing. Three JPD officers are in the area and respond to the call. The officers find the young man with no pulse and indeed not breathing. Officers Krag Campbell and Matthew DuBois go to work performing cardio pulmonary resuscitation as Capital City Fire and Rescue workers begin to arrive at the scene. The third officer, Terry Allen takes the family aside to try to calm them and to explain the role they will need to play during the next few hours.

The officers continue to assist the EMTs until a pulse was re-started. The young man is transported to Bartlett Regional Hospital in grave condition. That Thursday evening these JPD officers were able to provide crucial assistance and support to medical emergency personnel resulting in a young life being saved. Officers Campbell and DuBois were awarded the Department's lifesaving medal for their actions.

**August 10**

**CODAY RECEIVES 101 YEARS**



**Suzy Lafferty / Juneau Empire**

► Urging maximum punishment: Juneau District Attorney Doug Gardner holds two pieces of evidence; the sawed-off shotgun that had been confiscated from Coday in June 2006 by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and the sawed-off rifle used in the August 2006 murder of Simone Young Kim.

"One year and six days ago Mr. Coday took Kim's life," Juneau Superior Court Judge Michael Thomson said, "Today I'm effectively taking his."

And so ended the JPD investigation and prosecution of Jason Coday. "A little more than a year ago, we were faced with the type of crime that can terrorize a community – a stranger to stranger homicide with no known motive. Most of the department was involved in one way or another with the Coday murder case. I could not have been more proud of our department when Jason Coday was captured shortly after his horrendous crime, a professional and through investigation then conducted which lead to his conviction for murder. We as a department – the whole team – really stepped up to the plate when things got critical, and that is quite an accomplishment.

The Coday case kicked off a year that featured an unusual amount of death investigations. Our department has met these challenges diligently and professionally." (Chief Greg Browning – September 22, 2007)

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**Greg Skinner / Juneau Empire**

► Investigation begins: Police tape blocks the entrance to a wooded area between Thunder Mountain Trailer Park and Valley Boulevard, where a Juneau police officer shot and killed an assault suspect wielding a sword Friday evening.

August 10, 2007 was a day of good news and one of tragedy. Early in the day, Jason Coday was sentenced to 102 years in prison for the brutal killing of a stranger at the rear of Fred Meyers. JPD officers' pride in knowing a job well done was shattered later that evening, when an officer responding to reports of a woman being held at knifepoint was forced to take the suspect's life.

The community responded with overwhelming empathy and support for the officer, but it's a day that will live indefinitely in the hearts and memories of JPD personnel.



## SEPTEMBER, 07

**September 3  
6 AM**



*Ofc. K. Campbell on the taxi-way.*

The company providing security at Juneau International Airport ceases service and JPD officers are asked to assist. Sgt. D. Wrightson oversees the effort which results in expending 2,187 man-hours before a new security agency can take over.



*Officer M. Wise and JPD Chaplain Sam Dalin getting ready to respond to a reported unattended death. JPD responds to about 40 such deaths each year.*

**September 5**

  
**2007 4<sup>th</sup> Annual IACP-iXP  
Excellence in Technology Award**  
Innovation in Information Technology Category  
Medium Agency Division Winner

Agency; Juneau, Alaska Police Department

Project; Digital Evidence Locker



The Juneau Police Department has implemented a "Digital Evidence Locker" solution that provides secure access to audio, video, photographs and documents for staff and our Justice partners while maintaining the integrity of the evidence. Interoperability with the department's Records Management System (RMS) and digital in-car video data allows seamless case-management of this evidence for our officers and our Justice partners.

**JPD is awarded the IACP Excellence in Technology Award for the development of the Digital Evidence Locker.**

**September 30  
11:17 AM**

A Juneau woman reports that her husband is suicidal and just called her to tell her good-bye.

JPD officers responded to 123 reports of suicidal people last year.

**OCTOBER, 07**

## **October 1**

**5:40 PM**

An employee of a business in the 5200 block of Glacier Hwy. reports a man has attempted to rob the store. She said the man demanded money or he would shoot her. He made the demand twice before the employee ran to the back of the store where the suspect could not see her and called JPD.

She is able to give responding officers a good description of the suspect; a tall very heavy male with black hair and a full beard. She says he is wearing light colored jeans and a black coat or sweater.

**5:54 PM** As officers are searching the area for the suspect, another business reports a robbery in progress. Store employees overpower the suspect and detain him until officers arrive.

A 38 year old Juneau resident is transported to Bartlett Regional Hospital for treatment of injuries he sustained when he fought with store employees. He is lodged at Lemon Creek Correctional Center on charges of Robbery, Theft, Assault, and Parole Violation.

JPD officers responded to 17 robberies in 2007.



*CCFR emergency medical responders give first aid to the suspect as a JPD officer gathers evidence.*

## NOVEMBER, 07

November has its share of police related incidents, but it also marks the beginning of a project that will ultimately result in the creation of a geo-file for the Department's computer aided dispatch (CAD) system. Three interns hired by the Department for this 8 month task use global positioning systems equipment to verify the high and low address numbers of every street in the City. They travel to each of the 12,000 plus addresses marking their location on a geo-file map. In addition the interns locate and pin-point every fire hydrant in the City; information that will also be fed into CAD to assist Capital City Fire and Rescue.



*(From left) UAS interns Dan Bleidorn, Jess Parks, Ryan Arment, Josh Jones, and CBJ GIS Tech Gary Vetesy*



**DECEMBER, 07**

**December 17  
6:13 PM**



*Sgt. Tom Bates supervises the investigation of a serious injury crash.*

**On Monday evening the Juneau Police Department receives a report of a two vehicle injury accident on Egan Drive at Vanderbilt. Investigation reveals a 1998 Blue Toyota Corolla driven by a 53 year old Juneau woman has turned from Vanderbilt on to Egan drive against the red light. The Toyota is struck broadside by a red 1997 Nissan Pickup driven by a 26 year old Juneau woman. The driver of the Toyota is transported to Bartlett Regional Hospital after Capital City Fire Rescue personnel extricate her from her vehicle using the Jaws of Life. The driver of the Nissan Pickup suffers less serious injuries and goes to the hospital in a private vehicle.**

**JPD officers responded to 1,123 crashes last year with 329 reported as hit and run crimes.**



## JANUARY, 07



*The cab driver contacts his dispatcher in front of a window broken out by the assault suspect.*

### January 18

7:20 PM

JPD is called to a residence by a cab driver when a customer fails to pay his fare. When the officer arrives a scuffle ensues and the officer is stabbed with a sharp metal nail file.

JPD officers must use force periodically to make arrests or as in this case to defend themselves. In 2007 JPD officers were assaulted on 18 occasions.

### January 23

6:15 AM



*Officers compare the suspect's shoe with a footprint left in the snow at the scene of a burglary at Dzantiki' Heeni Middle School.*

JPD officers respond to a report of burglary or theft every 6.4 hours. Unlike crimes against people, burglary and theft remain the most difficult crimes to solve with the suspect/s rarely seen. Although the Department has a crime laboratory, without a forensic scientist evidence must be sent to Anchorage for processing, sometimes taking months to get results.

**February, 08**

**February 8**

**11:58 PM**

A customer runs into the Waffle House across from Fisherman's Bend in Auke Bay to report the Fisherman's Bend building is on fire. JPD officers respond to assist Capital City Fire and Rescue with crowd and traffic control. JPD's Citizen's Patrol also responds to assist with closing down Glacier Hwy.

In spite of valiant efforts by CCFR, the fire burns through the night destroying the building, the business, and the immediate future of the property owners.

An investigation reveals that the fire has multiple points of origin and JPD detectives are called in. Possible suspects are subsequently identified in the arson, but the owner's insurance coverage will not replace the loss.

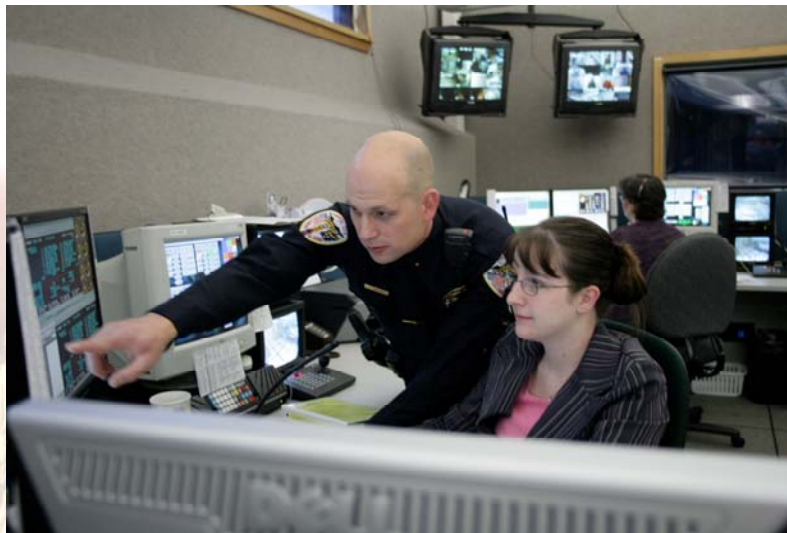


*CCFR Firefighter checks water pressure as Fisherman's Bend building burns.*

**MARCH, 08**

**March 19  
3:20 AM**

**JPD receives a report that a vehicle has just been driven into the fence of a residence in the 4000 block of Riverwood Drive in the Mendenhall Valley. The caller tells dispatchers that he originally heard what sounded like a vehicle accelerating on the street. He says he heard the collision then saw two juveniles run from the wrecked vehicle. Both appeared to be white male juveniles, approximately 16 years of age. One was wearing a white baseball cap, worn backwards and a tan coat. The other male was wearing a gray "hoodie" sweatshirt.**



*Lt. T. Wilson assists Dispatcher G. Bain as she dispatches officers.*

Officers find this red 1999 VW Jetta smashed through a residential fence and abandoned.



With no highways leading out of the Borough, Juneau enjoys one of the lowest auto theft rates in the nation. Last year 53 vehicles were reported stolen in Juneau as compared to 165 taken in Fairbanks.



**APRIL, 08**



*A JPD officer walks the path traveled by the out of control vehicle.*

Investigation reveals the occupants, a 19 yr old male driver and a 16 yr old female passenger were "huffing" from an aerosol can prior to the crash. Substance abuse continues to be problematic in Juneau.



*JPD officers investigate the crash that injured 2*

In the past year, officers assigned to work narcotics violations in Juneau in conjunction with JPD patrol officers seized 522 grams of cocaine, 10 pounds of marijuana and 28 plants, 89 tabs of 80 mg oxycontin, 3 pounds of methamphetamine, 59 grams of heroin, 778 grams of hash oil, 118 tabs of hydrocodone, 117 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, and \$21,000 in drug proceeds. Total street value of the seized drugs was \$267,560.

**MAY, 08**



*Ofcs. K. Campbell, M. Wise, D. Cheshire, and B. Lawrensen  
present the colors at the 2008 Crime Conference*

May 6  
9:10 AM  
The JPD Honor Guard  
makes its debut at the  
state Crime Conference.

May 16  
12 PM

The Honor Guard makes its  
second appearance at the  
annual Law Enforcement  
Officer's Memorial Service  
which was moved into the  
Assembly Chambers due to  
rainy weather. In 2007, 181  
officers were killed in the line  
of duty in the United States.



**JUNE, 08**

June 12  
12:45 PM



PRO Ofc R. Vinson advises a group of protesters about their rights.

During the summer months, Juneau enjoys the visit of more than one million cruise ship passengers, although JPD is not staffed to deal with this influx of business. In 2007, the City Manager approved the JPD Paid Reserve Officer (PRO) program which brings former certified JPD officers back to work on a part time basis during the summer months and in cases of emergency. Currently 6 formerly retired officers are providing needed police services to the downtown business district.

June 30  
3:15 AM

Officers respond to DeHart's Auke Bay Store to a report of a shattered front door. Officers find a bleeding man crouched and hiding in the ditch across the road. The man runs from officers and is ultimately caught and arrested for burglary and theft.





### ***Introduction to the Juneau Police Department***

In FY 2007-2008, the Department is authorized 52 commissioned personnel, 40 civilian personnel and 1 F.T.E. shared by up to 4 police reserve officers. In order to accomplish its mission, the Department is organized into functional work units as depicted in the organizational chart. The staffing and responsibilities of each organizational unit are as follows:

**Chief of Police** – Responsible for the overall direction and operation of the Department.



*Greg Browning*

**Assistant Chief of Police** – Reporting directly to the Chief of Police, the Assistant Chief of Police is responsible for administrative and functional matters of operation and support within the Department on a twenty-four hour basis. The Assistant Chief of Police is responsible for the overall direction and operation of the Department when the Chief of Police is absent from the City and Borough.



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**Operations Division** – Reporting directly to the Assistant Chief of Police, the Operations Commander, Captain Jerry Nankervis has 24 hour responsibility for the delivery of patrol and special operations functions for the Department. Included in that role is the oversight of the Department's fleet of vehicles.



*Jerry Nankervis*

**Administrative Services Division** – Also reporting directly to the Assistant Chief of Police is the Administrative Manager, Cindee Brown-Mills. Ms. Brown-Mills is responsible for the Department's fiscal activities, records, computer systems, personnel recruitment, crime analysis and for maintaining police facilities. Ms. Brown-Mills also serves the Department as a public information officer.



*Cindee Brown-Mills*

Two lieutenants share the responsibility for managing patrol services. Lt. Kris Sell manages three patrol teams and Lt. Ed Mercer, two. Lt. Sell is the Department's lead instructor in arrest and defense tactics and works closely with Juneau's advocate groups and the school district. Lt. Mercer also is responsible for managing the Department's special operations functions that include crash reconstruction, criminal investigations, narcotics enforcement and commercial passenger vehicle regulation.



*Kris Sell*



*Ed Mercer*

Lieutenant Troy Wilson has 24 hour responsibility for managing the Department's joint police/fire communications center. Lieutenant Wilson supervises 3 lead dispatchers who supervise 11 public safety communications personnel. In addition Lt. Wilson is responsible for the communications backbone that enables the Department's radio system. Lt. Wilson manages the Department's Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) and the Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) team. During FY 2007-2008, Lt. Wilson attended the FBI's National Academy, a 10 week advanced law enforcement management course held in Quantico, Virginia.



*Troy Wilson*







### **Patrol Services**

Officers assigned to patrol work either a 10 or a 12 hour shift. Three teams work the 10 hour schedule and two teams, the 12. This schedule provides time for in-service training one day a week which is crucial to maintaining officer's expertise in a wide variety of subjects.

Patrol teams are supervised by sergeants. The five sergeants currently assigned to patrol include: Sgt. Steve Hernandez, Sgt. Paul Hatch, Sgt. Tom Bates, Sgt. Scott Erickson and Sgt. Chris Burke.

Because of its size, the Department has a limited ability to assign enough officers to conduct follow up investigations when patrol officers complete initial reports. As a result, JPD patrol officers follow up most of the cases they respond to initially. Complex or high felony cases may be handed off to a core of four detectives to complete the follow up work.

JPD patrol officers have more opportunities than officers in most other cities the size of Juneau. With no real immediate support from outside agencies, JPD officers must provide services often available to cities from neighboring agencies.

As a result the Department staffs and trains officers to respond to tactical events involving armed suspects and/or explosive devices. Most officers volunteer for ancillary assignments and may qualify to become trainers in such areas as firearms instruction, less lethal weapons, radar, alcohol testing device maintenance, drug recognition, crash reconstruction, critical incident negotiation, recruit field training, school resource program (DARE), and arrest and control tactics.

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*EOD team member suited up and ready to go*



*SERT vehicle awaits the call*

### **Paid Reserve Officers (PRO) Program**

With the cruise ship industry bringing more than a million tourists to Juneau each summer, the Department had to find a way to field additional officers in the downtown business district during summer months. The PRO program provided a solution. Funded by dollars from the cruise ship head tax, this program encourages officers who have either retired or otherwise left the Department in good standing to return to JPD and provide additional law enforcement services to the community. PRO officers may also be called upon to assist during times of crisis.



**PRO Officer R. Vinson  
poses with a cruise ship  
crew member.**



## **Special Operations Division**

In addition to police officers this division fields civilian Community Service Officers. These police employees oversee the commercial passenger vehicles that serve our citizens and summer visitors. They also have other duties including enforcing bear related and littering ordinances, parking enforcement and traffic control for special events. Our CSOs are supervised by a lead CSO and report to Sergeant David Campbell who also supervises the criminal investigators. Sgt. Campbell is also a public information officer and serves as the supervisor of the Crises Negotiation Team.



*David Campbell*



*CSO A. Sell searches through litter to identify the owner – JPD responded to more than 1000 litter calls last year.*

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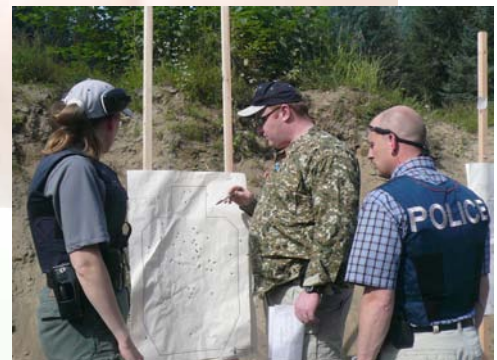


Providing professional police services requires that employees are trained in new technology and remain current in matters of law. JPD employees received 10,809 hours of training last year.

*(From R) CSO's K. Underwood, J. Adams, and P. Rumfelt attend class.*



*US Forest Service LE Officer M. Mills practices lifting a shoe print.*



*JPD officers practicing at the Lemon Creek Correctional Center's firing range*



## Special Emergency Response Team

**(SERT)**



*SERT Team members approach a house*

SERT team members are specially trained and equipped to deal with armed criminals who are intent on violence. In addition to regular training exercises, this team goes through an annual intensive training experience to keep themselves sharp. Although they are rarely needed, when they are it is critical that they are ready.

## Explosive Ordnance Disposal Unit

**(EOD)**



*Ofc. D. Branson with the EOD robot.*

Like the SERT Team, EOD call-outs are rare. However, because Juneau is the State Capital, the potential for this kind of violence is real, and with little outside assistance available, JPD must be ready to deal with it with little delay.



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*Mobile Command Center*

Purchased with funds from a federal Homeland Security Department grant, the City's Mobil Command Center is maintained by JPD. This unique vehicle is equipped to serve as a command post during a tactical event and as a back up communications center. Specially built for CBJ by Farber Specialty Vehicles of Columbus, Ohio this piece of equipment enhances the Department's ability to deal with major events.



Sgt. D. Wrightson shows Officer K. Horn the digital display board inside the mobile command center.

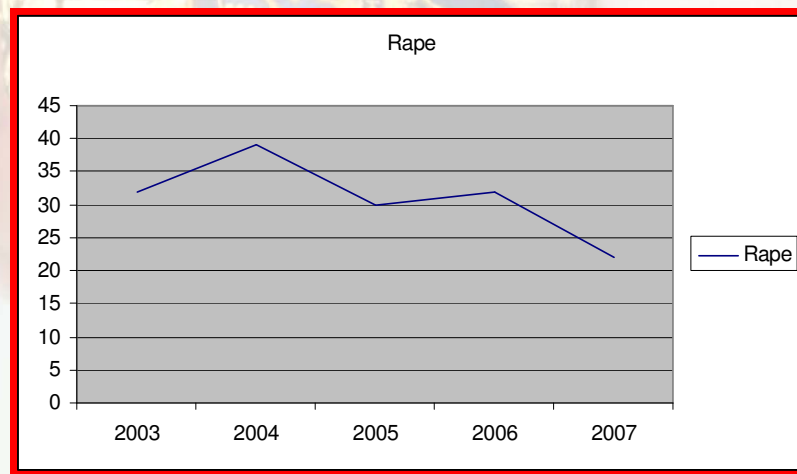
## Statistics – Crime

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) system classifies crimes in two categories; Part 1 crimes (more serious) and Part 2 crimes. Crime statistics are then published each year for cities across the nation. The most current year available is 2004 and the chart below includes statistics for Juneau and several other western cities about Juneau's size.

U.S. Cities Crime Statistics (2004)

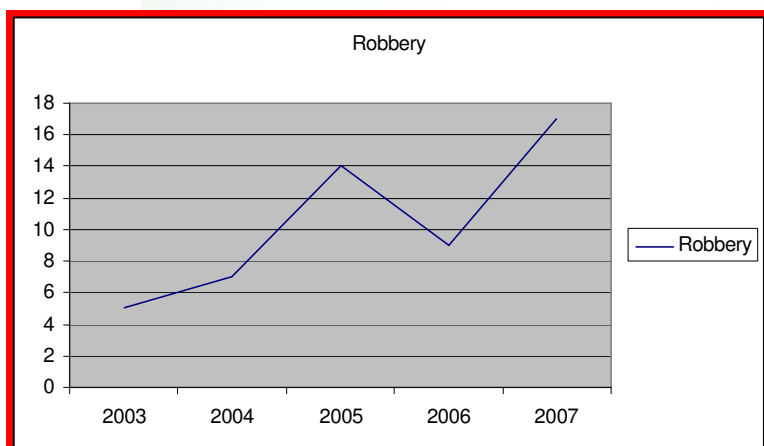
City	Population	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Theft	MV Theft	Arson
Juneau	31505	0	39	7	99	163	1181	38	9
Fairbanks	31286	2	54	46	129	224	1134	145	14
Casa Grande, Az	30568	0	6	59	209	1163	1851	454	38
Grants Pass, Or	25953	2	14	32	20	264	1482	130	7
Menlo Park, Ca	30155	3	8	37	30	165	544	70	3
Walla Walla, Wa	25953	0	33	21	74	236	1482	94	17
Helena, Mt	26987	1	23	11	86	156	771	37	6

The following charts illustrate Juneau's Part 1 crime experience for the past 5 years. Criminal homicide is not included because in the past 5 years, Juneau has only experienced 2 homicides in 2006 and 1 in 2007 and all 3 cases were cleared by arrest. One performance measure most police agencies calculate is clearance rate for crimes reported to them. A clearance may be reported to UCR when the suspect was identified and arrested, or the suspect was identified but for some reason beyond the control of the agency could not be arrested.



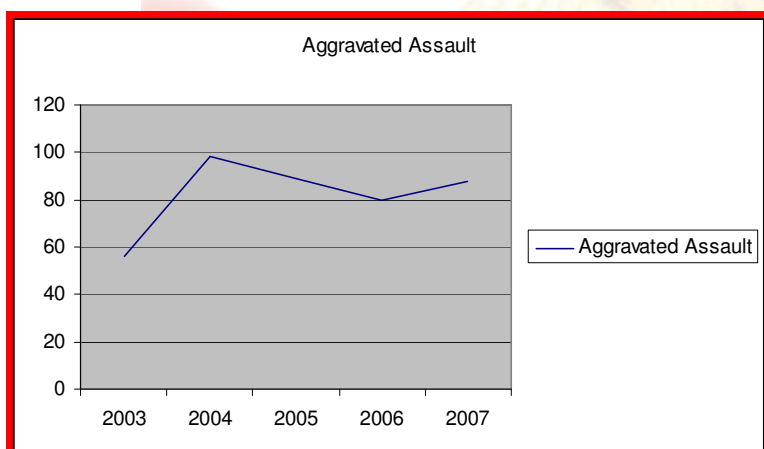
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Rape	32	39	30	32	22	Clearance	78%	97%	70%	63%	73%

Rape is the UCR title for sexual assault in Alaska. In 2004 the clearance rate for reported cases of rape in the US was 42%. The JPD clearance rate for reported cases of rape (sexual assault) in 2004 was 97% and for the past 5 years averaged 76%.



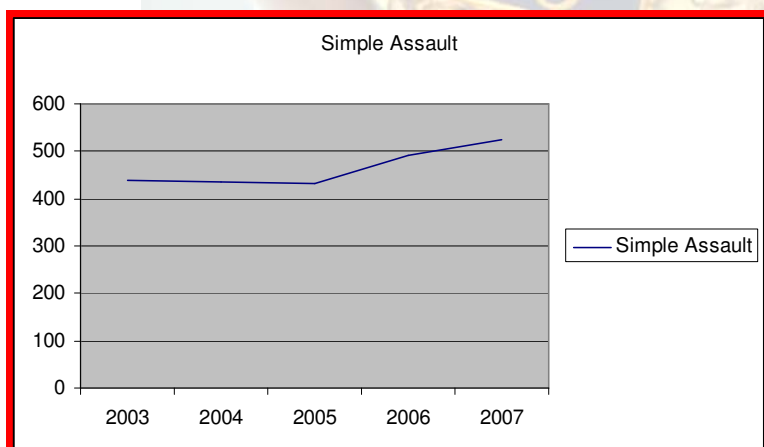
In 2004, the clearance rate for robbery cases reported in the US was 26%. The JPD clearance rate for reported cases of robbery in 2004 was 71% and for the past 5 years averaged 68%.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Robbery	5	7	14	9	17	Clearance	40%	71%	79%	89%	59%



In 2004, the clearance rate for aggravated assault cases reported in the US was 56%. The JPD clearance rate for reported cases of aggravated assault in 2004 was 97% and for the past 5 years averaged 92%.

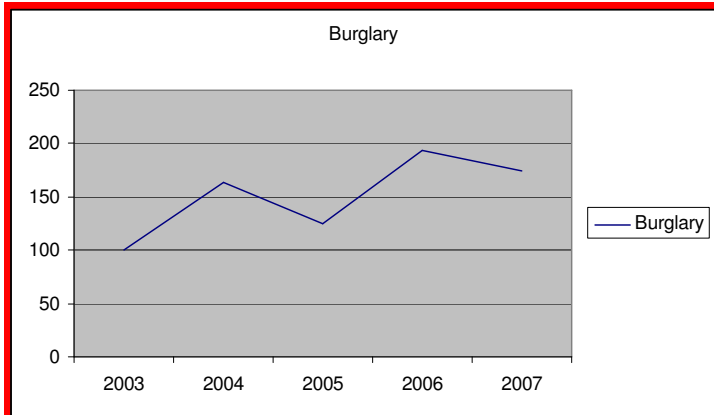
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Aggravated Assault	56	98	89	80	88	Clearance	88%	97%	96%	88%	89%



The clearance rate for simple assault in the US in 2004 is not available. The JPD clearance rate for reported simple assaults in 2004 was 96% and for the past 5 years was 93%.

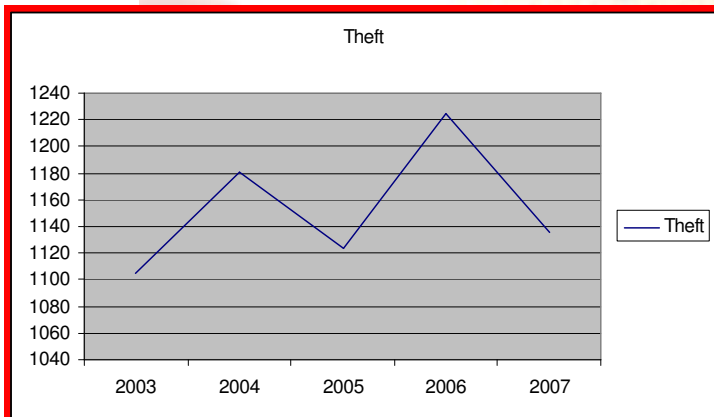
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Simple Assault	439	436	433	490	523	Clearance	84%	96%	94%	94%	95%





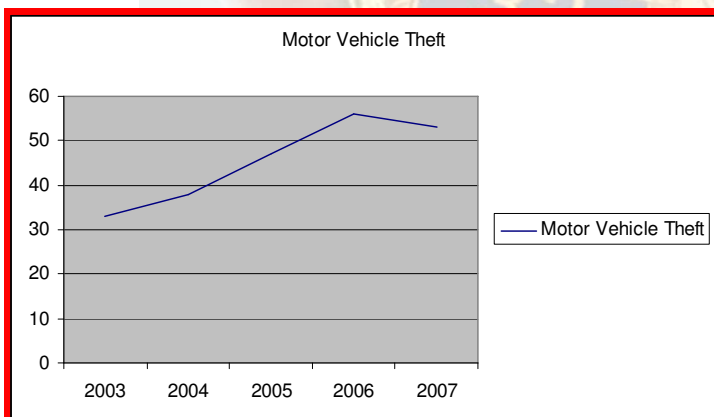
The clearance rate for burglary cases reported in the US in 2004 was 13%. The JPD clearance rate for reported burglaries in 2004 was 13% and for the past 5 years was 21%.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Burglary	100	163	125	194	174	Clearance	24%	13%	25%	26%	19%



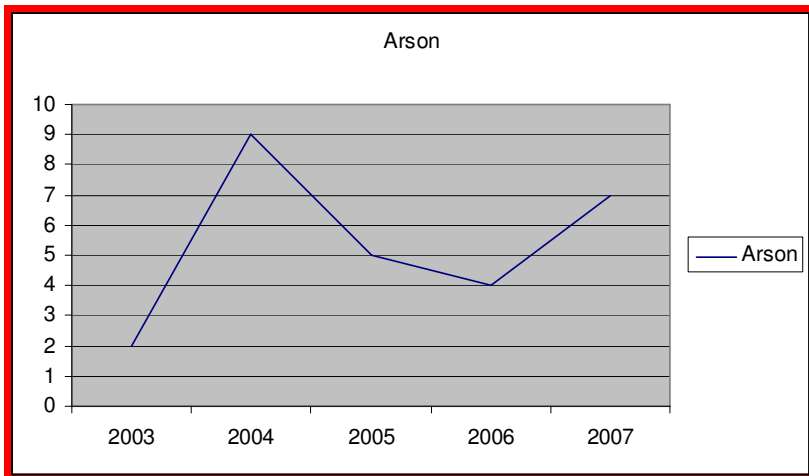
The clearance rate for theft cases reported in the US in 2004 was 18%. The JPD clearance rate for reported theft in 2004 was 21% and for the past 5 years averaged 20%.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Theft	1105	1181	1124	1225	1136	Clearance	19%	21%	24%	18%	18%



The clearance rate for motor vehicle theft cases reported in the US in 2004 was 13%. The JPD clearance rate for reported motor vehicle theft in 2004 was 37% and for the past 5 years averaged 43%.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
MV Theft	33	38	47	56	53	MV Theft	39%	37%	55%	45%	38%

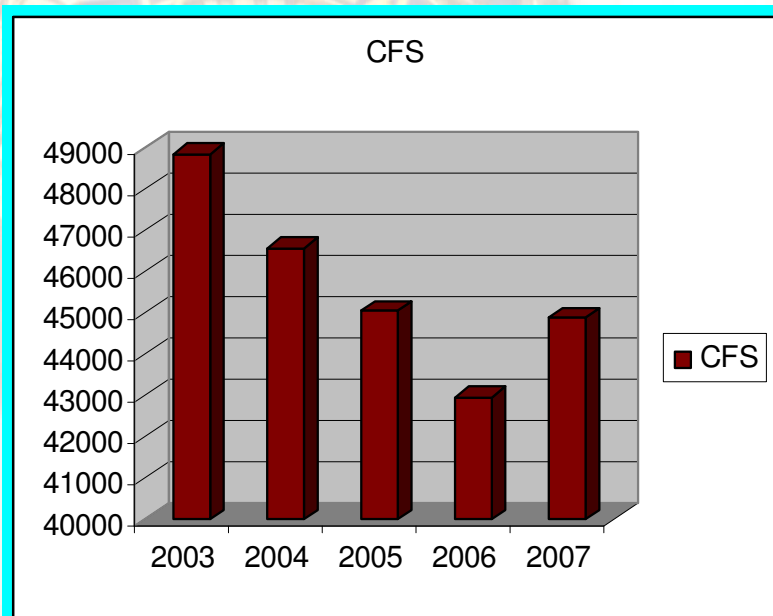


The clearance rate for arson cases reported in the US in 2004 was 17%. The JPD clearance rate for reported arson in 2004 was 33% and for the past 5 years averaged 19%.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Arson	2	9	5	4	10	Arson	0%	33%	0%	50%	10%

## Statistics – Calls for Service

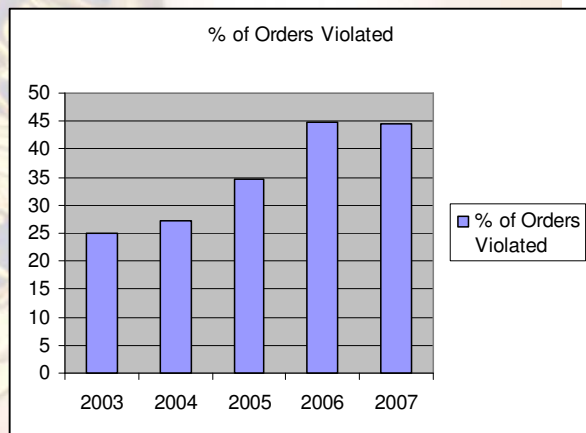
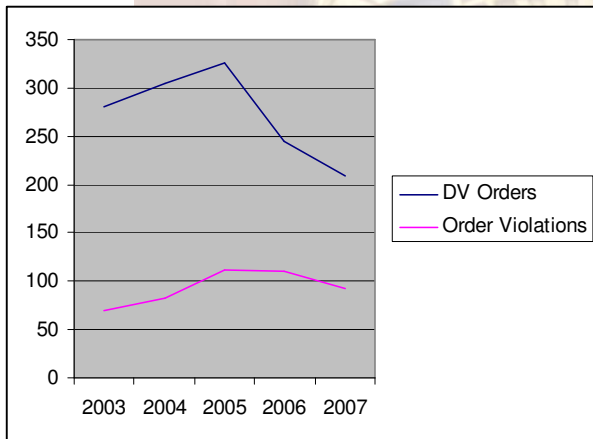
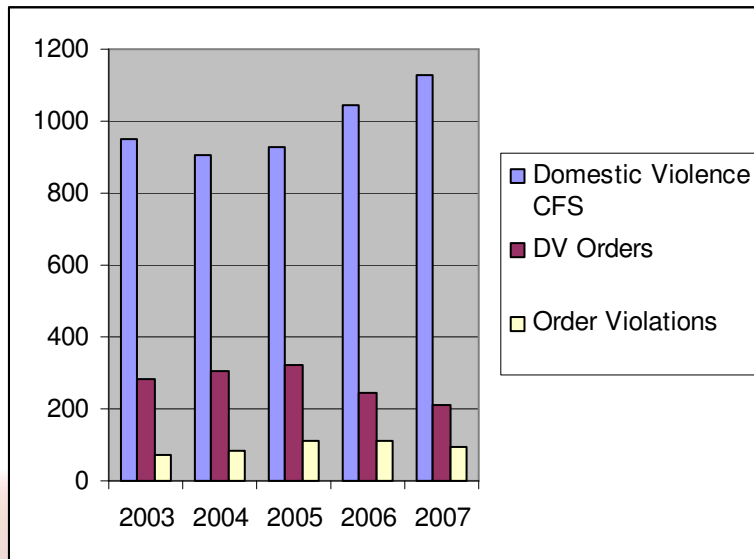
Calls for service were up last year by 4.5%



YR	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
CFS	48866	46580	45040	42965	44892

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN JUNEAU

Recognized as one of Juneau's problems, reports of domestic violence crimes are on the rise.



These charts not only reflect the upward trend in domestic violence calls for service, it also appears that in 2005 the numbers of protection orders sought by victims began to trend downward. It may also be significant that violations of those orders trend upwards during the same period and could reflect a perception that the orders are becoming less effective.

For the second year in a row, the Department is seeking grant funding to hire a domestic violence professional to work along side JPD officers dealing with cases of domestic violence. If we are successful, this social worker will follow up on these crimes to attempt to break the cycle of violence in Juneau's domestic situations.

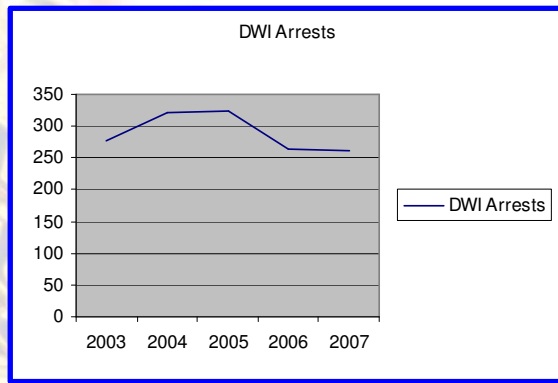
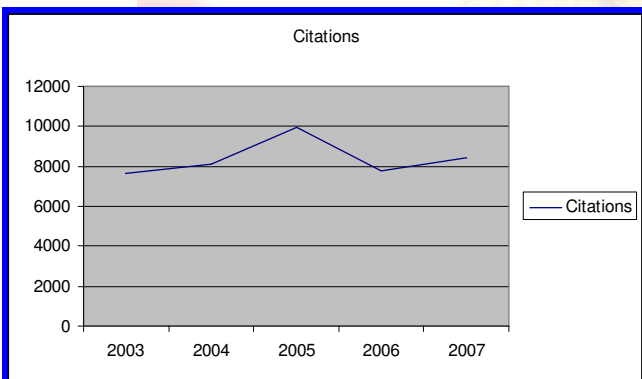


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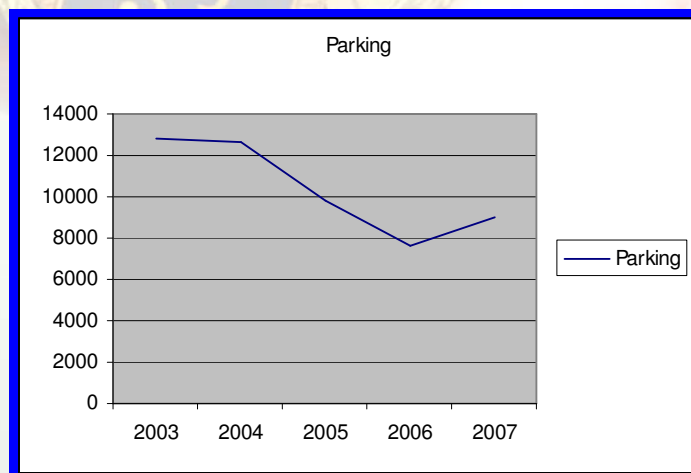


Officer M. Parfitt makes one of the 5,294 traffic stops made in 2007

CSO A. Sell issues a parking citation



	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Citations	7651	8102	9940	7808	8441	DWI Arrests	278	320	323	265	261



	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Parking	12793	12676	9806	7649	8993

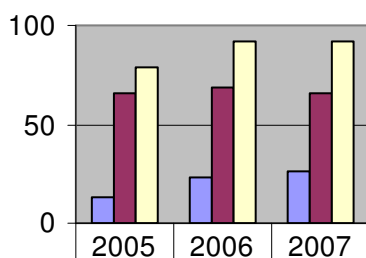
## USE OF FORCE

The Juneau Police Department recognizes the complexity of situations necessitating the use of force. Department members follow established authorizations to use force provided by state law under Alaska Statute AS 11.81.370. At times, officers are confronted with situations where control is required to effect arrests or protect the public safety. Attempts will be made to achieve control through advice, warnings, and persuasion. However, in situations where resistance, a threat to life, or a threat of physical force against officers or others is encountered and verbal persuasion has not been effective, is not feasible, or would appear to be ineffective, an officer may use objectively reasonable force. In the event deadly force is utilized, a thorough investigation will be conducted. All uses of force will be appropriately investigated, documented, and reviewed by supervisory and/or command personnel. Department members may use force to effect an arrest, prevent an escape, overcome resistance, in self-defense, or in the defense of others. The type and degree of force used must be objectively reasonable and based upon the facts and circumstances of the situation.

*(JPD's Use of Force Policy)*

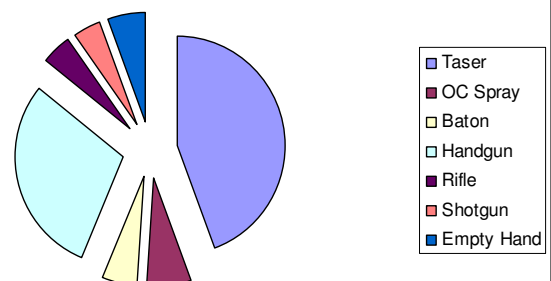
JPD officers are trained and equipped with the latest weapon systems technology and carry several less lethal instruments. The Taser has become the instrument of choice due to its effectiveness with little resulting damage to the arrestee. Over the past three years we have experienced an increase in the number of incidents in which JPD officers have had to use force to effect arrests, and we currently do not have an explanation for this trend. Officers are required to report any use of force beyond normal handcuffing procedure, including displaying a weapon to gain compliance from the arrestee. JPD officers use force (including displays) about 6 times for every 100 arrests.

**JPD Use of Force**



Actual	13	23	26
Display	66	69	66
Total Incidents	79	92	92

**2007 Use of Force Application**



## Statistics – Property and Evidence



A critical task for JPD in criminal prosecutions is maintaining property that is impounded by JPD officers. The prosecuting attorney must show that evidentiary items seized in the investigation, have been maintained so they are exactly as they were when they were seized.

One of the highly restricted areas in the police facility, the evidence and property room remains secured 24 hours a day. Officers "bag and tag" seized property in an adjoining room, place it in secure lockers, and drop the key in a secured key slot. An evidence specialist opens the lockers from the rear, removes the property and catalogs it before storing it in the property room.



*Evidence Specialist K. Magee retrieves one of the 3,675 items impounded last year.*



## Statistics – Records



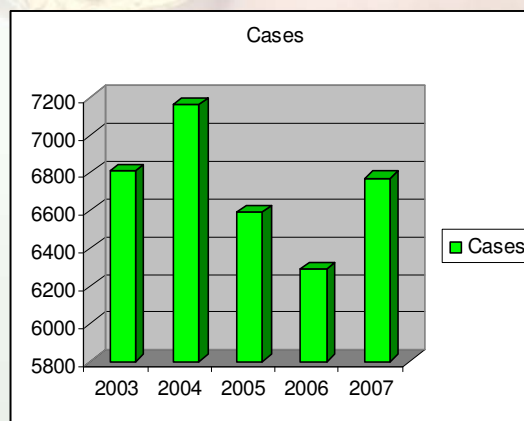
*Records Unit clerk S. Branum at her workstation*



*Records Unit clerk R. Notmeyer issues a receipt*

The federal government, the State of Alaska, and the City and Borough of Juneau have enacted laws and ordinances that control the security, privacy, and dissemination of police records. To that end the Department maintains a secure records room and all cases that are released outside the police facility are done so by the Records Unit staff. This ensures that information that is protected by law is either not released or redacted from the record. In 2007 Department employees took 6,773 case reports.

In addition to maintaining case records, the Records Unit staff serves walk-in customers and takes in money for fines and various fees. In 2007 Records Unit clerks took in \$677,359 which was transferred to the City Treasury.



## Department Awards 2007



*Sgt. Paul Hatch*  
**Officer of the Year**



*Cindee Brown-Mills*  
**Manager of the Year**



*Kelly Magee*  
**Civilian Employee of the Year**



*Carmen Frawley*  
**Dispatcher of the Year**



*Jennifer Adams*  
**Lifesaving**



*Krag Campbell*  
**Lifesaving**



*Jennie Vinson*  
**Outstanding Service**



*Brandon Lawrenson*  
**Outstanding Service**



*Sgt. David Wrightson*  
**Lifesaving**



*Matthew DuBois*  
**Lifesaving**



*Darin Schultz*  
**Outstanding Service**

**.....and so our snapshot closes with the events of June, 2008. The mystery of what lies ahead for JPD employees is the substance that keeps our officers fresh in spirit and mind. State accreditation is on the horizon and a strategic plan is in the works. Join us again next year as we look back on the events of 2008 and the police officers that handle them....the dedicated service to our citizens and the commitment to personal excellence that makes the Juneau Police Department the best police agency in the State of Alaska.**

