

IDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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CITIZENS OF IDA COUNTY:

I am proud to present the 2019 Ida County Sheriff's Office annual report. As you will find in the following pages, we continue to be an agency that is busy, proactive and progressive in our approach to public safety.

The Ida County Sheriff's Office is a proud agency with a respected history and an even greater future. Our staffs' commitment to professionalism, and dedication to those we serve, has built a solid foundation on which we build each year.

I am proud to lead this agency and am humbled by the fact that the citizens of Ida County have given me that opportunity for the past 22-years. I look forward to the future and know that the best is yet to come.

As you review our statistics from 2019 I think you will be impressed by the range of duties carried out by those who work at the Sheriff's Office. I think you will see through those numbers that we take seriously our obligation and commitment.

As we look forward to the challenges that await us in 2020 I know that your sheriff's office will be ready. We will maintain our forward thinking approach and dedication to the citizens of Ida County, and will continually strive to find better ways to serve.



Should you find that you have questions, comments or concerns about anything you find in this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wade A. Harriman".

WADE A. HARRIMAN
IDA COUNTY SHERIFF

MISSION STATEMENT

The Ida County Sheriff's Office is committed to preserving, promoting, and securing a feeling of security and safety for all members of our county through the practice and delivery of lawful and professional law enforcement services.

This mission is a commitment to quality law enforcement performance from all members. It is critical that all members understand, accept, and be aligned with the operation decision and organizational directive will be based. Directive include rules, regulations, operating policies, procedures, and practices.

This mission represents the commitment of this administration to the concepts of quality work performance management. In other words, members are expected to work consistently in a quality manner in the daily performance of those duties, job responsibilities, and work tasks associated with this mission.

Quality manner means that performance outcomes comply with the performance standards established for this agency and for each member associated with this agency. Examples of performance standards include the oath of office, code of ethics, agency rules, policies, procedures, directives, general and supervisory orders, work productivity, and performance behavior.

Each member is required to accept the responsibility for the achievement of this mission and publicly register is or her commitment to it and the concepts of quality service.

CODE OF ETHICS

The code of ethics for a law enforcement officer is a social contract and a pledge to the citizen we serve that we will conduct ourselves in a manner above reproach. All sworn employees are expected to abide by this professional code of ethics when they become members of the Ida County Sheriff's Office.

Our code of ethics is as enforceable as any other organizational rule or regulation. All sworn members have been informed of and signed the code of ethics. The code of Ethics will be strictly enforced without exception.



As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental obligation is to serve the public's needs. While I consider the way I choose to conduct my private affairs a personal freedom, I accept the responsibilities for my actions, as well as inactions, while on duty or off duty, when those actions bring disrepute on the public image of my employer, my fellow workers, and the law enforcement profession.

I vow to perform all my duties in a professional and competent manner, I consider the abilities to be courageous in the face of danger and to exercise restraint the use of my powers and authorities to be the ultimate public trust. I accept that I must consistently strive to achieve excellence in learning the necessary knowledge and skills associated with my duties. I will keep myself physically fit and mentally alert so that I am capable of performing my duties according to the standards of quality expected of my position.

I vow to be fully truthful and honest in my dealing with others. I deplore lies and half-truths that mislead or do not fully inform those who must depend upon my honesty. I will obey the very laws that members of my agency are sworn to uphold. I will see affirmative ways to comply with the standards of my department and the lawful directions of my supervisors.

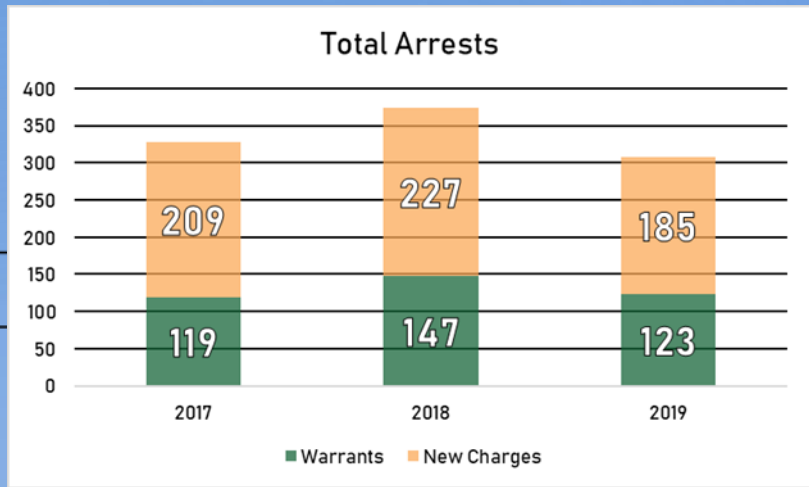
I vow to treat others with courtesy at all times. I consider it to be a professional weakness to allow another's behavior to dictate my response. I will not allow other's action or failings to be my excuse for not performing my duties in a responsible, professional and expected manner.

I vow to empathize with the problems of people with whom I come into daily contact. However, I cannot allow my personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships influence the discretionary authorities entrusted to my job. I will affirmatively seek ways to avoid conflicts and potential conflicts of interest that could compromise my official authority or public image.

I hold the authority inherent in my position to be an affirmation of the public's trust in me as a public servant. I do not take this trust lightly. As long as I am in this position, I will dedicate myself to maintaining this trust and upholding all the ideals of my profession.

TOTAL ARRESTS

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|------|-----|
| 2017 | 324 |
| 2018 | 371 |
| 2019 | 305 |

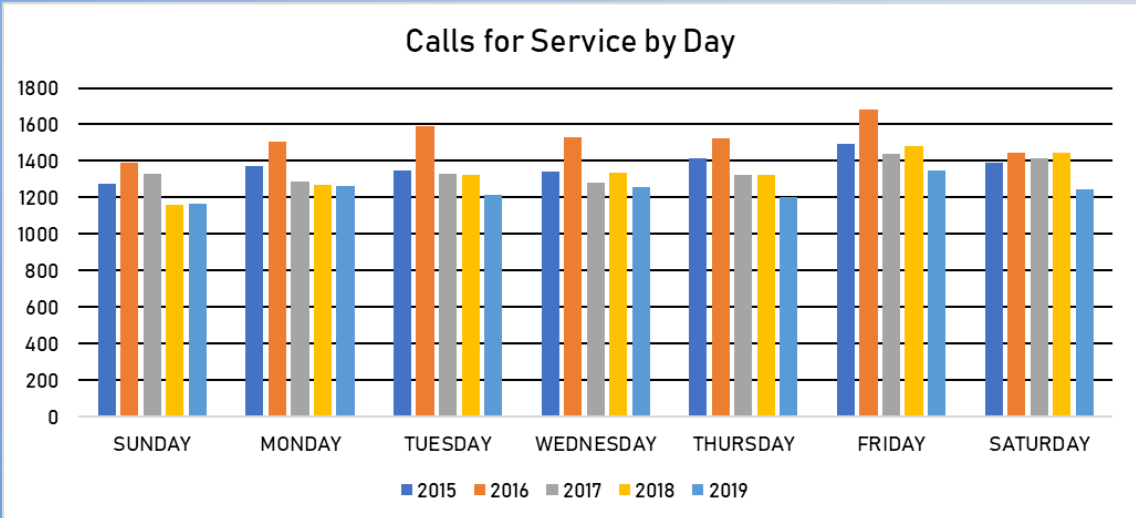


TRAFFIC STOPS

| Year | WARNING | CITATION |
|------|---------|----------|
| 2017 | 1,651 | 389 |
| 2018 | 1,539 | 306 |
| 2019 | 1,491 | 314 |

CALLS FOR SERVICE

| Year | LAW | EMS | FIRE |
|------|-------|-----|------|
| 2017 | 9,402 | 736 | 389 |
| 2018 | 9,226 | 838 | 347 |
| 2019 | 8,691 | 943 | 377 |



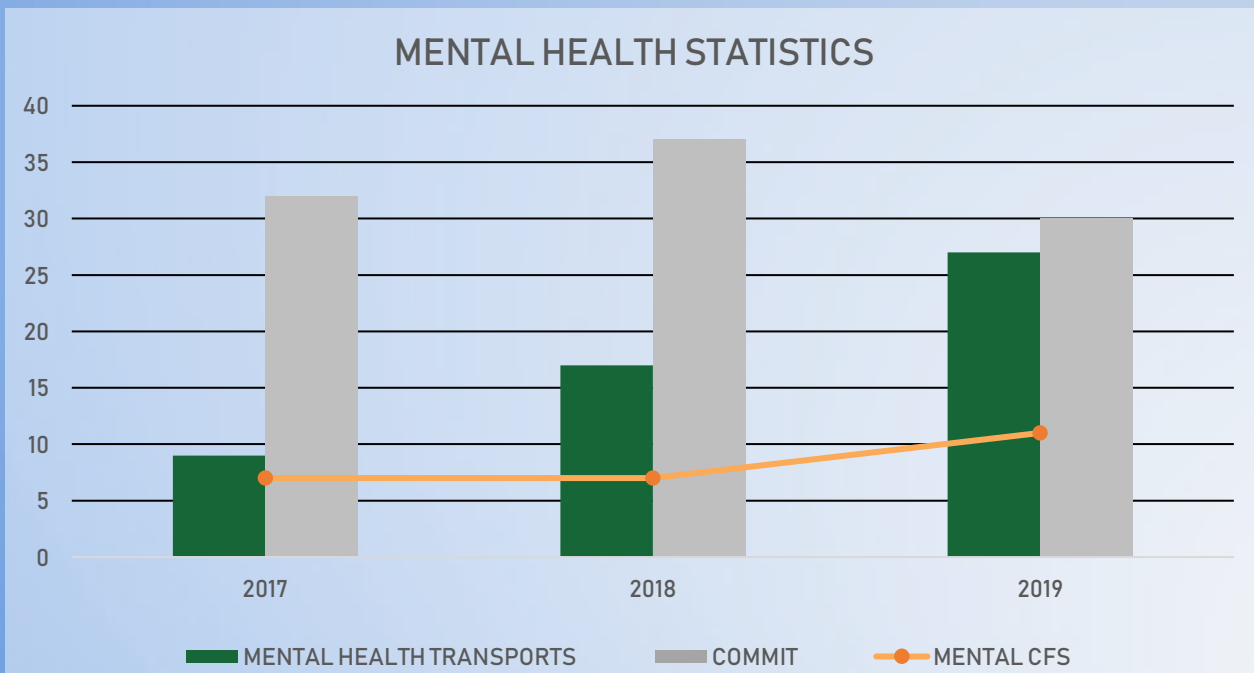
SIGNIFICANT STATISTICS

OFFENSES

2017 2018 2019

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|
| NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| FORCIBLE RAPE | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | 14 | 14 | 9 |
| SIMPLE ASSAULT | 19 | 23 | 23 |
| INTIMIDATION | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| BURGLARY | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| THEFT FROM BUILDING | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| OTHER LARCENY | 21 | 12 | 12 |
| STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| VANDALISM | 9 | 4 | 7 |
| DRUG VIOLATION | 34 | 58 | 42 |
| DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATION | 20 | 25 | 17 |
| DISORDERLY CONDUCT | 0 | 7 | 4 |
| OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED | 25 | 14 | 14 |
| DRUNKENNESS | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION | 0 | 4 | 11 |
| TRESPASSING | 3 | 1 | 0 |

SIGNIFICANT STATISTICS





The Patrol Division of the Ida County Sheriff's Office provides emergency and non-emergency response throughout the county, as well as Criminal Investigative functions for the Sheriff's Office

The Patrol Division is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Patrol staff consists of 1 Sergeant, and 6 full time Deputies. Two of which are K9 handlers. A 7th full time deputy will be starting his duties in the near future.

The Patrol Division takes great pride in serving the citizens of Ida County. Ida County is 1 of 2 Counties in the state of Iowa that operates a unified Law Enforcement system. Not only does the Patrol Division respond to calls in the rural area of the County, but we also provide all law enforcement services to the 5 communities within Ida County. Those communities are Ida Grove, Holstein, Battle Creek, Galva, and Arthur

The Patrol Division is focused on keeping the roads of Ida County Safe by enforcing all traffic law within Ida County. We do this by conducting traffic stops on the streets, roads, & highways within our jurisdiction, and by our presence throughout the county and in the five communities

Each Deputy is required to investigate their own cases; however, we do help each other out when it is a large case, or whenever assistance is needed. Over the past year, several burglary, theft and criminal mischief cases, have been solved because of our hard work and diligence. Criminal investigations take a lot of time and require great effort from our deputies. The Patrol Division also takes drug enforcement very seriously by employing two K9 dogs. The K9 role is to help detect drugs and get those drugs off the streets of Ida County. The K9s also assist in many of the search warrants that are drug related in the county.

The Patrol Division is proud to serve and protect the citizens of Ida County.

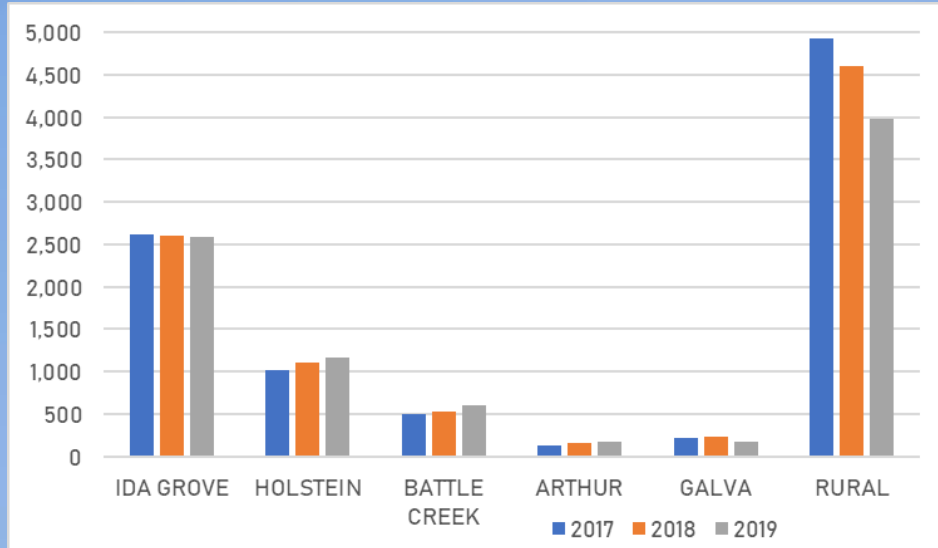
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PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| IDA GROVE | 2,615 | 2,605 | 2,593 |
| HOLSTEIN | 1,017 | 1,103 | 1,167 |
| BATTLE CREEK | 494 | 534 | 599 |
| ARTHUR | 133 | 160 | 179 |
| GALVA | 214 | 227 | 173 |
| RURAL | 4,929 | 4,597 | 3,980 |



TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|
| PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | 155 | 176 | 196 |
| PERSONAL INJURY | 22 | 19 | 32 |
| FATILITY | 1 | 2 | 1 |



DRUG VIOLATIONS

2017 2018 2019

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--|------|------|------|
| MANUFACTURE/DELIVER/POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE VIOLATION | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| POSS. W/INTENT TO DELIVE | 5 | 1 | 4 |
| POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE | 5 | 6 | 9 |
| POSSESSION MARIJUANA | 15 | 20 | 7 |
| MFR/DELV/POSS W/INT MARIJUANA | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| SALE/MFG I,II,III | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| DRUG TRAFF 5GM-100KG METH | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| POSSESSION <5g METHAMPHETAMINE | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| POSSESS OF METHAMPHETAMINE | 5 | 6 | 4 |
| POSS CONT SUB MARIJUANA 2ND | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| POSS CONTR SUB 2ND | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| POSS CONTR SUB 3RD | 3 | 5 | 9 |
| POSS CONT SUB MARIJUANA 3RD | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| SALE SCHD I/II DRUG TO MINOR | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| GATHER WHERE CTRL SUB USED | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| GATHER FOR SUE OF MARIJUANA | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| POSS DANGEROUS DRUGS | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA | 42 | 56 | 45 |
| CONTROLLED SUB SCHD IV/V | 0 | 1 | 1 |

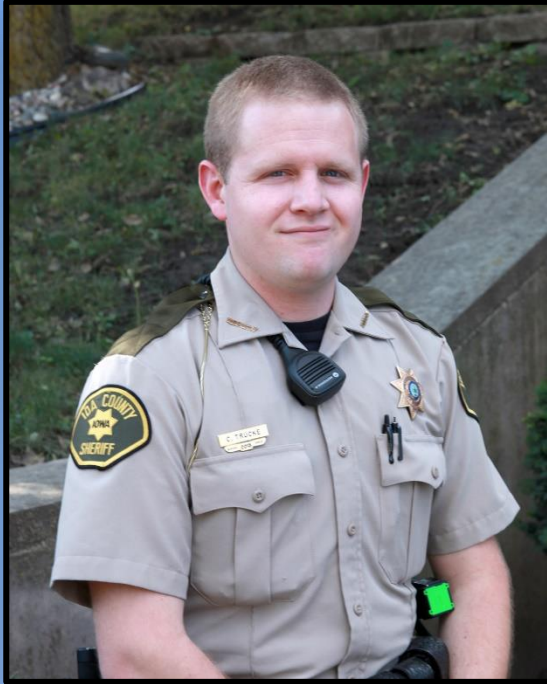
PATROL DIVISION



Deputy Alex Ehlers & K9 Nera



Deputy Kirk Kinnaman & K9 Keira



Sergeant Corey Trucke
Jail Administrator &
Communications Supervisor



Lena Hawthorne
Head Jailer

The Ida County Jail is staffed by three full time jailers. When there is no jailer on duty, the dispatcher and deputies on duty are responsible for maintaining an orderly jail and conducting scheduled checks. Jail staff are responsible for the safety and security of all of the inmates. Jailers Lena Hawthorne and Cheryl Klein are cross trained as dispatchers.

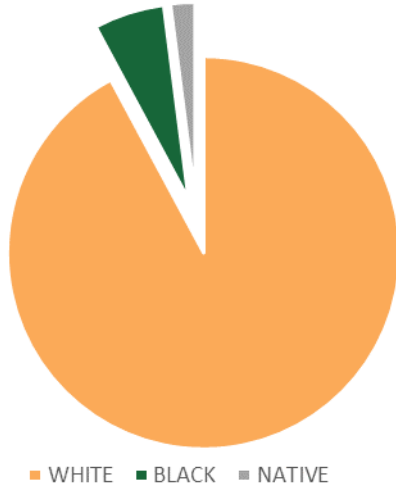
The Ida County Communications Center is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by 4 full time dispatchers and 2 part time dispatchers. Dispatchers directly coordinate the response for 5 fire departments, 3 ambulance services, and 2 first responder services, along with providing dispatch for the Ida County Sheriff's Office and coordinating with the Iowa State Patrol, Iowa DOT Motor Vehicle Enforcement, and Iowa DNR Conservation Officers. Additionally, dispatchers work with neighboring counties to ensure the proper help gets to where it is needed.

Sergeant Corey Trucke
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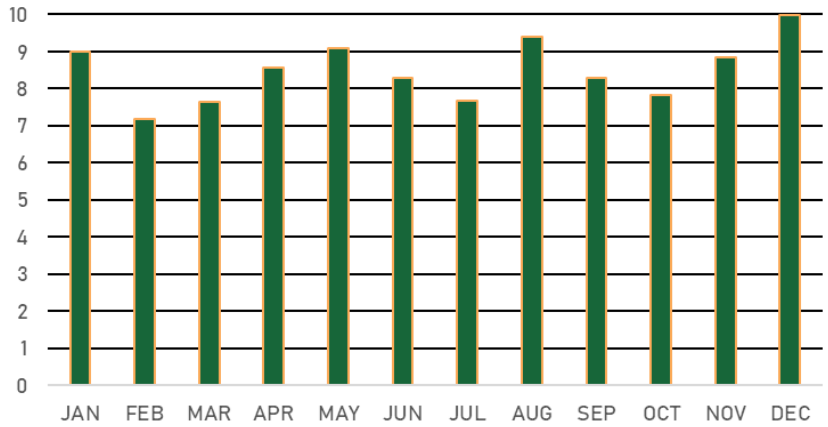
ARRESTS BY AGE

| | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-54 | 55-59 | 60-64 | >65 |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| MALE | 4 | 10 | 11 | 17 | 35 | 34 | 27 | 104 | 93 | 85 | 50 | 40 | 27 | 27 | 21 | 11 |
| FEMALE | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 11 | 31 | 29 | 51 | 21 | 17 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 2 |

ARRESTS BY RACE



AVERAGE DAILY INMATE COUNT



JAIL/COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

AVERAGE
INMATES
PER DAY
(2019):
8.47

TOTAL
INMATE
COUNT (2019):
3,097



ADMINISTRATIVE
CALLS RECEIVED:

3,137



JAIL/COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION



ADVANCE LIFE
SUPPORT (ALS)

TRANSFERS:

151

BASIC LIFE
SUPPORT (BLS)

TRANSFERS:

121

AVERAGE
EMERGENCY
DISPATCH TIME:
28 SECONDS



Ida County Dispatchers, Jailers, & Emergency Management



The civil department at the Ida County Sheriff's Office is a support position that assists not only all other divisions in the department, but also the Clerk of Courts, the County Attorney's Office, and the people of the county. The civil department consists of one person who wears multiple hats. She is responsible for all incoming papers from the courts, routing them to where they need to go, and ensuring they get properly distributed. She is responsible for the paperwork that needs to be filed when someone is arrested, either on new charges or on a warrant, and for making sure that this is done promptly and accurately. She also handles weapons permits for the county, the sex offender registry, and general clerical work that needs to be completed. She is the person that gets all reports, either accident or incident, to requesting agencies. In essence, she has a day to day role that changes rapidly and frequently. She is the face in the window when you come into the sheriff's office requesting to speak to the Sheriff or a deputy or if you just need general information.

Rebecca Schmidt

Civil Deputy

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**CIVIL
PAPERS
SERVED**

2017 2018 2019
789 699 816

NATURE OF PROCESS

| | |
|--|-----|
| APPLICATION FOR CONTEMPT | 36 |
| NO CONTACT ORDER | 26 |
| NOTICE TO QUIT | 14 |
| ORIGINAL NOTICE AND PETITION | 116 |
| ORDER | 23 |
| PROTECTIVE ORDER | 5 |
| SUBPOENA | 28 |
| SUMMONS AND NOTICE | 20 |
| MENTAL HEALTH | 27 |
| GENERAL EXECUTION | 75 |
| SPECIAL EXECUTION | 4 |
| COMPLAINT AND AFFIDAVIT MUNICIPAL INFRACTION | 5 |
| MITTIMUS | 26 |
| ORIGINAL NOTICE | 5 |



VALID WEAPONS PERMITS: 1,042

| | NEW | RENEW | AQUIRE | TOTAL |
|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| 2017 | 132 | 22 | 6 | 160 |
| 2018 | 121 | 120 | 12 | 253 |
| 2019 | 86 | 48 | 8 | 142 |

CIVIL DIVISION