

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
Clay County, Florida
Rick Beseler, Sheriff

Office Memorandum

Date: February 11, 2009

To: Sheriff Beseler

From: Ms. Deborah Wheeler & Lt. Scott Conrad

Subject: Part I Crime, Clearance, Arrests, and Calls For Service for 2009
(Final Figures)

Attached are statistical reports showing information on Part I Crime & Clearance, arrests, average response times, and calls for service (CFS) for the year 2009. The Part I Crime information has been reported to FDLE as our final figures for 2009.

The year 2009 saw a 9.11% decrease in Part I Crime over the year 2008.

Violent crime decreased by 5.44% (Attachment A)

- There were twelve (12) murders reported in 2009, which are 7 more than reported in 2008.

CR# 2006034081 – This incident was originally reported as an information report on 12/07/2006. After an extended investigation, on June 13, 2009, it was confirmed that a homicide had been committed. The victim, Benjamin James Parker, W/M, 34 YOA, was killed by a firearm. The offender was identified as Kenneth Wayne Murwin, W/M, 23 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on 06/22/2009.

CR# 2009011025 – This homicide was reported on March 31, 2009. The victim, Roberta A. Laws, W/F, 46 YOA, was killed by use of the offender's hands, fists, and/or feet. The offender was identified as Kenneth Ray McBride, W/M, and 35 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on 03/31/2009.

CR# 2009013157 – This homicide was reported on April 18, 2009. The victim, Mark Edward Gregg, W/M, 54 YOA, was killed by a firearm. This remains an active case.

CR# 2009014541 – This homicide was reported on May 4, 2009. The victim, Terrance Buck Decatur, B/M, 30 YOA, was killed by blunt force trauma, the

weapon being a baseball bat. The offenders were identified as James Joseph Buddenhagen, W/M, 41 YOA, and Steven Lane Blauch, W/M, 56 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on 05/04/2009.

CR# 2009023656 – This homicide was reported on July 17, 2009. The victim, Kenneth William Davis, W/M, 50 YOA, was killed by shotgun. The offender was identified as Benjamin Cummings, W/M, and 61 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on July 17, 2009.

CR# 2009025152 – This homicide was reported on July 28, 2009. The victim, Lavon Presley, B/M, 17 YOA was killed by handgun. The offenders were identified as Antwan Lamonta Mann, B/M, 17 YOA; Tonee Rashaud Huggins, B/M, 22 YOA; Juanita Wedgeworth, B/F, 17 YOA; and Devonta Jarrell Mayberry, B/M, 17 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on September 23, 2009.

CR# 2009031833 – This homicide was reported on September 17, 2009. The victim, Destiny Leondra Patterson, B/F, 1 YOA, was killed by physical trauma. The offender was identified as Torey Leonard Jenkins, B/M, and 33 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on November 30, 2009.

CR# 2009035959 – These homicides were reported on October 18, 2009. The victims, David Wiley Smith, W/M, 24 YOA, and Kevin Lee Martin, W/M, 24 YOA, were killed by knife. The offender has been identified as Cornelius Camile Walston, B/M, and 27 YOA. This case was cleared by arrest on November 4, 2009.

CR# 2009036152 – This homicide, originally classified as a missing person, was reported on October 19, 2009. The victim, Somer Renee Thompson, W/F, 7 YOA, was killed by physical trauma. This remains an active case.

CR# 2009037800 – These homicides were reported on November 3, 2009. The victims, Kevin Waite Whitelaw, W/M, 16 YOA, and Katie Jill Whitelaw, W/F, 11 YOA, were killed by handgun. The offender has been identified as Jerry Waite Whitelaw, W/M, and 49 YOA. This case was cleared by exception on November 5, 2009.

CR# 2008041085 – This homicide was reported on 12/13/2008 and cleared by arrest on 02/10/2009. Therefore, the clearance is claimed in the year 2009.

- There were 111 incidents of forcible sexual battery. This represents a 19.57% decrease from the same time period of 2008. **(The term forcible sexual battery includes the categories of forcible rape, forcible sodomy, and forcible fondling).**

In 47.6% of the cases, the victim had a domestic/familial relationship with the offender. In 94% of the cases, the victim knew their attacker.

Forty-two (42%) percent of the victims were under the age of 18. Eighty-nine (89%) percent were white, while 8% were black. Eighty-eight (88%) percent of the victims were female. The victim sustained some type of observable physical injury in 16.5% of the cases.

Of the 111 cases of forcible sexual battery, 84% occurred within a private residence.

- Robbery decreased 12.07%, from 116 in 2008, to 102 in 2009. Thirty-six (36%) percent of the robberies occurred within a residence, 1% occurred at a bank or credit union, and 28% occurred at some type commercial establishment or business.

A firearm was used in 44% of the robberies, a knife was used in 9% of the robberies, and 30% were strong armed robberies.

- Aggravated assault/battery decreased by 2%, from 586 in 2008, to 574 in 2009. In 31% of the cases the victim had a familial relationship with the offender, and in 65% of the cases the victim knew the offender.

Non-violent crime decreased by 9.97%.

- Burglary decreased 11.91%, from 1,058 in 20078, to 932 in 2009.
- Theft decreased 7.77% from 3,281 in 2008, to 3,026 in 2009.
- Auto theft decreased 28.27% from 237 in 2008, to 170 in 2009.

Clearance Rate (Attachment B)

The Part I Crime clearance rate for 2009 was 41.26%. This represents a 3.36% decrease from the 44.62% clearance rate of 2008. The violent crime clearance rate was 65.96% and the non-violent crime clearance rate was 36.48%. Of all 4,927 Part I crimes occurring during 2009, 8.93% were cleared by exception, while 32.33% were cleared by arrest.

Domestic Violence (Attachment C)

In the 2009 semi-annual report, we cited a 44.13% increase in domestic violence (see the attached memo). We held that figure suspect at the time but couldn't find any evidence that the number was incorrect. During the compiling of the 2009 annual report, we did discover a software glitch that was erroneously counting incidents as domestic violence

when they weren't. Our software vendor has now corrected the problem and the domestic violence calculation now appears to be running correctly.

Domestic violence is the assault and/or battery of a victim who has a familial relation to the offender, is co-habiting with the offender in a family-like relationship, or has had a child with the offender regardless of whether or not they have ever lived together.

Domestic violence increased by 3.5%, over the same period of 2008. Domestic violence was involved in 47.79% of all offenses involving some type of assault and/or battery.

While the state of Florida now recognizes as domestic violence certain boyfriend/girlfriend relationships, the UCR program does not. There were 109 incidents of domestic violence where the relationship of boyfriend/girlfriend was cited.

Arrests (Attachment D)

The number of arrests, in 2009, was 8,362. This is a 12.7% decrease from 2008.

Response Times (Attachment E)

The average emergency response time for 2009 was 8 minutes and 27 seconds. This is the same average as 2008. In 57% of emergency calls, the response time was under eight minutes.

The average routine response time was 14 minutes and 29 seconds. This is an improvement of 37 seconds from 2008.

Calls For Service (Attachment F)

Calls for service have decreased 0.78% in 2009 as compared to 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you.

cc: Col. LaCasse, Maj. Aldrich, Maj. Crossley, Maj. Wilson, Capt. Senters,
Capt. Hardee, Capt. Harris, Capt. Smith, Ms. Wheeler, Ms. Justino

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
PART I CRIME COMPARISON REPORT
ANNUAL 2008 v. 2009

OFFENSE	2008	2009	CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
MURDER	5	12	7	140.00%
FORCIBLE RAPE	51	44	-7	-13.73%
FORCIBLE SODOMY	33	25	-8	-24.24%
FORCIBLE FONDLING	54	42	-12	-22.22%
ROBBERY	116	102	-14	-12.07%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	586	574	-12	-2.05%
VIOLENT CRIME	845	799	-46	-5.44%
BURGLARY	1,058	932	-126	-11.91%
THEFT	3,281	3,026	-255	-7.77%
AUTO THEFT	237	170	-67	-28.27%
NON VIOLENT	4,576	4,128	-448	-9.79%
TOTAL PART I CRIME	5,421	4,927	-494	-9.11%

**OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
PART I VIOLENT CRIME - WEAPONS USED
ANNUAL 2009**

OFFENSE	OFFENSES COMMITTED	FIREARM	BLADED WEAPON	OTHER WEAPON	HANDS, FEET
MURDER	12	6	2	2	2
FORCIBLE RAPE	44	1	1	4	38
FORCIBLE SODOMY	25	1	0	2	22
FORCIBLE FONDLING	42	0	0	2	40
ROBBERY	102	45	10	14	33
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	574	117	82	264	111
TOTAL	799	170	95	288	246

PERCENTAGE OF TIMES THAT A FIREARM WAS USED. 21.28%
PERCENTAGE OF TIMES A BLADED WEAPON WAS USED. 11.89%
PERCENTAGE OF TIMES AN OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPON WAS USED. 36.05%
PERCENTAGE OF TIMES HANDS/FISTS/FEET WERE USED. 30.79%

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
PART I CRIMES SOLVED
ANNUAL 2009

OFFENSE	NO.	SOLVED BY ARREST	% SOLVED BY ARREST	SOLVED BY EXCEPTION	% SOLVED BY EXCEPTION	PERCENT SOLVED
MURDER	12	9	75.00%	2	16.67%	91.67%
FORCIBLE RAPE	44	19	43.18%	28	63.64%	106.82%
FORCIBLE SODOMY	25	7	28.00%	20	80.00%	108.00%
FORCIBLE FONDLING	42	16	38.10%	32	76.19%	114.29%
ROBBERY	102	49	48.04%	6	5.88%	53.92%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	574	269	46.86%	70	12.20%	59.06%
VIOLENT CRIME	799	369	46.18%	158	19.77%	65.96%
BURGLARY	932	238	25.54%	33	3.54%	29.08%
THEFT	3,026	948	31.33%	234	7.73%	39.06%
AUTO THEFT	170	38	22.35%	15	8.82%	31.18%
NON VIOLENT CRIME	4,128	1,224	29.65%	282	6.83%	36.48%
TOTAL PART I CRIME	4,927	1,593	32.33%	440	8.93%	41.26%

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT
ANNUAL 2009

OFFENSE	Total Offenses Committed	RELATIONSHIP OF VICTIM TO OFFENDER							TOTAL
		SPOUSE	PARENT	CHILD	SIBLING	OTHER FAMILY	CO-HABITANT	OTHER	
MURDER	12	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	4
FORCIBLE RAPE	44	6	0	5	2	0	0	0	18
FORCIBLE SODOMY	25	0	0	4	2	6	2	0	14
FORCIBLE FONDLING	42	0	0	7	5	5	1	0	18
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	574	49	17	21	24	14	43	8	176
SIMPLE ASSAULT	1,671	302	123	85	71	47	231	45	904
THREAT/INTIMIDATION	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	4
SIMPLE STALKING	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	2,373	358	142	124	104	73	279	54	1,134

Of the total offenses committed, 47.79% were domestic violence related.

**OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
ANNUAL ARRESTS REPORT - 2009**

	TOTAL ARRESTED	TOTAL JUVENILES			TOTAL ADULTS			RACE			
		JUVENILES	MALE	FEMALE	ADULTS	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	BLACK	INDIAN	ASIAN
MURDER	20	4	4	0	16	14	2	12	8	0	0
FORCIBLE SEXUAL BATTERY	48	5	5	0	43	42	1	41	6	1	0
ROBBERY	93	20	20	0	73	66	7	42	55	0	0
AGG. ASSAULT/BATTERY	254	33	28	5	221	178	43	193	61	0	0
BURGLARY	454	169	149	20	285	256	29	415	39	0	0
SHOPLIFTING	561	205	66	139	356	164	192	359	192	2	8
AUTO BURGLARY	103	34	32	2	69	66	3	95	8	0	0
ALL OTHER THEFT	544	67	36	31	477	307	170	513	126	1	2
AUTO THEFT	51	21	20	1	30	27	3	42	9	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	646	115	65	50	531	379	152	524	118	1	3
DRUG/NARCOTIC OFFENSE	1,040	87	68	19	953	757	196	762	274	0	4
FRAUD	189	1	1	0	188	103	85	137	51	0	1
DUI	333	1	0	1	332	219	113	305	26	0	2
VANDALISM	105	18	18	0	87	71	16	88	16	0	1
WEAPONS VIOLATION	57	12	10	2	45	43	2	33	24	0	0
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION	51	4	3	1	47	37	10	45	5	0	1
ALL OTHER ARRESTS	3,813	123	82	41	3,690	2,789	901	2,782	923	1	5
TOTAL	8,362	919	607	312	7,443	5,518	1,925	6,388	1,941	6	27
		10.99%	7.26%	3.73%	89.01%	65.99%	23.02%	76.39%	23.21%	0.07%	0.32%

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Average Emergency Times	2008	2009
Avg time to take a call	32 seconds	33 seconds
Avg time from first received to first dispatch	1 minute, 38 seconds	1 minute, 40 seconds
Avg response time (first received to first arrived)	8 minutes, 27 seconds	8 minutes, 27 seconds
Avg enroute time (first dispatched to first arrived)	6 minutes, 54 seconds	6 minutes, 51 seconds
Average Routine Times		
Avg time to take a call	53 seconds	56 seconds
Avg time from first received to first dispatch	5 minutes, 41 seconds	5 minutes, 30 seconds
Avg response time (first received to first arrived)	15 minutes, 6 seconds	14 minutes, 29 seconds
Avg enroute time (first dispatched to first arrived)	9 minutes, 51 seconds	9 minutes, 29 seconds

**OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, CLAY COUNTY
CALLS FOR SERVICE COMPARISON - 2008 v 2009**

Call Type	2008	2009	Change	Percent Change
ABANDONED PROPERTY	495	535	40	8.08%
ABANDONED VEHICLE	1,201	927	-274	-22.81%
ABDUCTION OR KIDNAPPING	8	5	-3	-37.50%
ACCIDENT/INJURIES	439	472	33	7.52%
ACCIDENT/OBSTRUCTION	246	294	48	19.51%
AIR CRAFT ACCIDENT	1	2	1	100.00%
ALARM	6,653	7,037	384	5.77%
ANIMAL BITE INVESTIGATION	102	79	-23	-22.55%
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	656	700	44	6.71%
ANIMAL CRUELTY	256	187	-69	-26.95%
AREA/PROPERTY CHECK	188,299	168,792	-19,507	-10.36%
ARMED ROBBERY IN PROGRESS	8	7	-1	-12.50%
ARSON	4	3	-1	-25.00%
ASSAULT	1,278	1,298	20	1.56%
ASSAULT IN PROGRESS	179	154	-25	-13.97%
ASSIST CITIZEN	7,355	6,800	-555	-7.55%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	1,114	1,158	44	3.95%
ATTEMPT TO CONTACT/DELV MSG	1,317	1,487	170	12.91%
BOAT ACCIDENT	9	11	2	22.22%
BOMB INVESTIGATION	24	12	-12	-50.00%
BREATHING PROBLEM	146	165	19	13.01%
BURGLARY	2,211	1,905	-306	-13.84%
BURGLARY IN PROGRESS	389	345	-44	-11.31%
CARDIAC ARREST	120	149	29	24.17%
CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPON	20	15	-5	-25.00%
CHILD ABUSE IN PROGRESS	1	0	-1	-100.00%
CHILD ABUSE/CRUELTY	297	231	-66	-22.22%
CHILD NEGLECT/DEPENDENCY	50	58	8	16.00%
CIVIL DISPUTE	1,978	2,156	178	9.00%
CIVIL PROCESS	21,941	17,854	-4,087	-18.63%
COUNTERFEIT ITEMS	35	56	21	60.00%
DAMAGED PROPERTY	236	237	1	0.42%
DEAD PERSON	98	126	28	28.57%
DISTURBANCE IN PROGRESS	3,741	4,033	292	7.81%
DOWNED WIRES	34	24	-10	-29.41%
DROWNING	4	6	2	50.00%
DRUG OR NARCOTIC INVESTIGATION	822	989	167	20.32%
DRUNK DRIVER	799	773	-26	-3.25%
DRUNK PERSON	559	639	80	14.31%
E911 HANGUP	1,500	1,490	-10	-0.67%
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLAINT	87	145	58	66.67%
ESCAPED PRISONER	1	2	1	100.00%
ESCORT/CONVOY	675	687	12	1.78%
EXTORTION	1	2	1	100.00%
FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD DISTURBANCE	1,292	1,864	572	44.27%

Call Type	2008	2009	Change	Change
FIGHT	194	154	-40	-20.62%
FIGHT IN PROGRESS	355	335	-20	-5.63%
FIRE/EXPLOSION	476	451	-25	-5.25%
FIREWORKS	215	165	-50	-23.26%
FLIM FLAM	9	34	25	277.78%
FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION	10,830	10,469	-361	-3.33%
FRAUD	1,205	1,261	56	4.65%
GANG MEMBER/RELATED ACTIVIT	21	12	-9	-42.86%
GARBAGE COMPLAINT	41	0	-41	-100.00%
GAS LEAK	21	27	6	28.57%
HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT	851	884	33	3.88%
HIT RUN/INJURIES	4	2	-2	-50.00%
HITCHHIKERS	16	29	13	81.25%
ILLEGAL BURNING	27	31	4	14.81%
ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLE	1,215	1,261	46	3.79%
INFORMATION	3,807	4,119	312	8.20%
INFORMATION BY PX	8,929	9,128	199	2.23%
INJURY	219	298	79	36.07%
INSANE PERSON	192	228	36	18.75%
INVESTIGATION/INTELLIGENCE	829	2,237	1,408	169.84%
JUVENILE COMPLAINT	3,220	2,653	-567	-17.61%
JUVENILE DELIQUENCY	1	5	4	400.00%
LOST PROPERTY	196	144	-52	-26.53%
LOUD DISTURBANCE	2,861	2,924	63	2.20%
MALICIOUS MISCHIEF	1,894	1,428	-466	-24.60%
MALICIOUS MISCHIEF IN PROG	39	31	-8	-20.51%
MISSING PERSON	974	1,072	98	10.06%
MOLESTING	72	64	-8	-11.11%
MURDER	1	1	0	0.00%
OBSCENE OR THREAT PX	809	781	-28	-3.46%
OFFICER REQUESTS ASSISTANCE	3	12	9	300.00%
ONE SICK OR DOWN	785	871	86	10.96%
PERSON CALLING FOR HELP	88	88	0	0.00%
PERSON SHOT	21	27	6	28.57%
POWER LINES DOWN	84	71	-13	-15.48%
PROACTIVE PREV ALL OTHER	14	24	10	71.43%
PROACTIVE PREV AUTO THEFT	5	0	-5	-100.00%
PROACTIVE PREV BURGLARY	164	41	-123	-75.00%
PROACTIVE PREV ROBBERY	3	1	-2	-66.67%
PROACTIVE PREV THEFT	34	1	-33	-97.06%
PROWLER OR PEEPING TOM	125	153	28	22.40%
RAILROAD ACCIDENT	2	4	2	100.00%
RAPE	89	85	-4	-4.49%
RAPE IN PROGRESS	0	1	1	NC
RECKLESS DRIVER	3,262	3,486	224	6.87%
ROBBERY	115	103	-12	-10.43%
SERVING WARRANT/CAPIAS	6,542	6,842	300	4.59%
SEX OFFENSE OTHER THAN RAPE	173	189	16	9.25%
SHOPLIFTER	869	740	-129	-14.84%
SHOTS FIRED	723	676	-47	-6.50%

Call Type	2008	2009	Change	Change
SOMEONE WANTS TO MEET OFFICER	5	4	-1	-20.00%
SPECIAL DETAIL	2,027	1,934	-93	-4.59%
STABBING OR CUTTING	23	25	2	8.70%
STALKING	65	61	-4	-6.15%
STALKING IN PROGRESS	0	1	1	NC
STOLEN VEHICLE	449	345	-104	-23.16%
STOLEN VEHICLE IN PROGRESS	6	5	-1	-16.67%
STREET OR WALKWAY OBSTRUCTION	1,120	1,125	5	0.45%
SUICIDE	318	370	52	16.35%
SUICIDE THREAT	505	566	61	12.08%
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE	710	793	83	11.69%
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	4,265	4,994	729	17.09%
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	4,136	4,680	544	13.15%
THEFT	2,987	2,917	-70	-2.34%
THEFT IN PROGRESS	14	15	1	7.14%
THREATS OR HARRASSMENT	1,012	907	-105	-10.38%
THROWING INCENDIARIES	7	1	-6	-85.71%
THROWING MISSILES	46	22	-24	-52.17%
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	4,024	4,048	24	0.60%
TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENT	16,743	19,166	2,423	14.47%
TRAFFIC STOP	31,467	46,752	15,285	48.57%
TRESPASSING	1,266	1,384	118	9.32%
TRUANCY	58	24	-34	-58.62%
VEHICLE PURSUIT	2	0	-2	-100.00%
VICE	17	9	-8	-47.06%
WORTHLESS CHECKS	17	14	-3	-17.65%
	370,594	367,716	-2,878	-0.78%

N/C = Not Calculable

*** THE CALL TYPE IS ASSIGNED AT THE TIME THE IT IS RECEIVED IN DISPATCH.
THIS LIST DOES NOT REFLECT THE FINAL CLASSIFICATION OF THE CALL FOR UCR
OR OTHER PURPOSES.**