



LOCUST POLICE DEPARTMENT

2013 ANNUAL STATISTICS

SUMMARY OF 2013 STATISTICS

In the area of law enforcement in 2013, the City of Locust continued to be “a wonderful place to live, work, and play!” Statistics documented by the Locust Police Department for the 2013 calendar year showed a decrease overall in dispatched call types, as well as offense types related to calls.

For the year, the Locust Police Department continued with its policies of reports being documented for dispatched calls where interaction with the public occurred. With that policy, the department still showed a 16.6% decrease in incident reports documented compared to 2012, as well as a 15.8% decrease in offense types related to dispatched calls.

General service call types were down 17.1% from the previous year, and general investigation call types were 7.4% lower. In general investigations, reports of missing persons increased from one to twelve for the year. It should be noted however, that no missing person reports involved foul play or legitimate run-away activity, and all reported missing were located.

Most positively, call types related to criminal activity were also down for 2013. Property and financial crime call types were down 6.6% from last year. Within this category: reports related to larcenies from businesses went up by just nine reports from a year ago, larcenies from residences were up just two reports, and fraud reports only up by four from 2012. Conversely, reports related to larcenies from vehicles dropped a hefty 65.4% from 52 in 2012 to 18 in 2013. Overall larceny activity for the year still only showed an average daily occurrence in the city of 0.48, with a decrease of 10.3% for the year. Personal larceny activity reports related to persons, vehicles or residences were down 35.2% from last year, and had an average daily occurrence of a mere 0.16 in Locust.

General law enforcement/criminal activity call types were down 19.7%. In this category, reports of trespassing increased quite a bit, however mostly were related to previous offenders returning unlawfully to Wal-Mart. Call types related to alcohol and drugs also showed a decrease of 40.3%. In the category related to assaults reported, a large drop from 48 to 17 was seen for the year. This represented a 64.6% drop from 2012, and occurred for the year on an average of just 0.05 times daily in the city.

Serious crime reports did go up from a year ago however some insight should be given into those reports. Reports related to sexual offenses were six for the year. It should be noted however, that these reports were documented even if the offense was determined to occur in another jurisdiction, or if the reports were unconfirmed. Personal larceny/robbery report types were three for the year. Noted in this report type, two of the offense types were related to the attempted robbery at the 901 North Central Fast Shop location in the summer of 2013. All three suspects in that report were apprehended a short time after the incident occurred. The other report was an alleged “snatch and run” incident that occurred outside of a Locust bank.

In March of 2012, the Locust Police Department implemented a strategy of patrolling neighborhoods and businesses more efficiently. These patrols; one of the cornerstones of the department’s philosophy in community policing, were altered in a way that the city could still be patrolled effectively, yet at the same time reduce the expense related to the consistently elevated price of fuel as well as vehicle wear and tear. This new strategy did result in a decrease in documented patrols of Locust neighborhoods and businesses compared to 2012 however, 20,875 neighborhood and business patrols were still completed for the 2013 calendar year. Within the perspective of daily patrols; this represented just a decrease of 4.7 patrols conducted on average daily by the department this year as opposed to last. The result of the more efficient patrol strategy resulted in just a small decrease in daily patrols, yet contributed greatly to the department’s fuel costs decreasing by an average of 8.4% per patrol vehicle, and overall patrol vehicle expenditures decreasing by 6% on average per patrol vehicle (based on 2012/2013 budget year report).

Arrest charges in 2013 were 128, down from 199 in 2012. This 35.7% decrease can partially be attributed to the 17% decrease in dispatched calls resulting in incident reports. These charge numbers also do not include offenders in investigations where arrest warrants were obtained, however another agency located the suspect at a later date and made the arrest. This charge number could also consider that less individuals committed offenses in the city that resulted in arrest during 2013.

Traffic safety and enforcement remained a priority for the Locust Police Department in 2013, with the primary goal of keeping Locust residents and all motorists safe. Citation charges were up 13.9% for the year; from 1056 in 2012 to 1204 in 2013. It should be noted that a report error last year resulted in the September 2012 citation charges not being included in the annual report. Despite that, with a monthly average this past year of 100.3, the difference from 2012 to 2013 of 148 would still indicate an increase in citation charges issued for the year.

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Offenses/Incident Reports Statistics Key

Call/Offense Types

Escorts Provided – General, Business Closing, Child Custody Exchange, Funeral, Etc.
Assist EMS/Fire – Medical Or Fire Calls With Law Enforcement Involvement
Calls For Service – Various Community Service Or Non-Criminal Dispatches, Animal Complaints, Etc.
Mutual Aid – Help Requested And Given To Other Agencies
Assist Motorist – Stranded Motorists, Keys Locked In Vehicle, Flat Tires, Etc.

Alarm Calls – Business, Residential Alarm Activation Responses
Disturbances – General, Various, Or Domestic Disturbance Responses
Suspicious Act. – Dispatched Reports Of Suspicious Activities, Vehicles, Or Persons
Investigations – General, 911 Hang-Ups, Suicide Threats, Open Doors, Etc.
Property Calls – Reports Of Lost Or Found Property
Missing Persons – Reports Of Missing Or Found Individuals

Bus. Larceny – Larcenies Reported From Locust Businesses
Fraud – Counterfeiting, Forgery, Obtaining Property By False Pretense, Identity Theft, Etc.
Resi. Larceny – Breaking & Entering, Larcenies From Residences
Vehicle Larceny – Breaking & Entering, Larceny From/Of Vehicles

Traffic Offenses – Traffic Offenses That Result In Other Charges, Arrests, Vehicle Towed, Etc.
Property Damage – Malicious Damage To Businesses, Residences, Vehicles, Or Minor Vehicle Crashes
Warrants – Arrest Warrants, Court Processes Served
Harassment – Harassing Phone Calls, Communicating Threats, Etc.
Trespassing – Unlawful Entry, 1st Or 2nd Degree, Etc.
Other Illegal Act. – Resist, Obstruct, Or Delay, Vehicle Pursuits, Lesser Charges, Etc.
Ordinance Viol. – Violations Of City Ordinances Investigated Or Committed
Vandalism – Defacement Of Property, Minor Arson, Etc.
Juvenile Violations – Illegal Activity Committed By Juveniles
Weapons Violations – Unlawfully Carrying Concealed Weapon, Possession By Felon, Etc.

Drug Offenses – Possession, Distribution, Intent To Sell, Etc. Involving Illegal Drugs
Alcohol Charges – Charges Involving Alcohol Other Than DWI
DWI – Driving While Impaired Reports

Assaults – Minor Or Simple Assaults, Affray, Etc.

Sex Offense – Reports Of Or Offenses Involving Unlawful Sexual Activity
Personal Larceny – Serious Larceny Or Robbery Including Strong Arm, With Dangerous Weapon, Etc.

Death Inv. – Non-Criminal Investigations Of Unattended Deaths, Suicide, Etc.

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Offenses/Incident Reports

CATEGORY: GENERAL SERVICE

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Escorts Provided	506	42.2	680	-26%
Assist EMS/Fire	156	13	156	0
Calls For Service	70	5.8	76	-7.9%
Mutual Aid	69	5.8	60	+15%
Assist Motorist	35	2.9	36	-2.8%
2013 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2012 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	836	69.7	1008	-17.1%

CATEGORY: GENERAL INVESTIGATION

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Alarm Calls	127	10.6	143	-11.2%
Disturbances	110	9.2	106	+3.8%
Suspicious Act.	67	5.6	74	-9.5%
Investigations	59	4.9	88	-33%
Property Calls	23	1.9	18	+27.8%
Missing Persons	12	1	1	+1100%*
2013 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2012 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	398	33.2	430	-7.4%

*Missing Person's # includes REPORTS OF missing persons such as teenagers who have not returned home by a certain time. NO missing person's reports for 2013 included suspected foul play or went unsolved.

CATEGORY: PROPERTY/FINANCIAL CRIME

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Bus. Larceny	115	9.6	106	+8.5%
Fraud	53	4.4	49	+8.2%
Resi. Larceny	38	3.2	36	+5.6%
Vehicle Larceny	18	1.5	52	-65.4%
2013 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2012 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	227*	18.9	243	-6.6%
TOTAL LARCENY OCCURRENCE (BUSINESS, VEHICLE, RESIDENTIAL, PERSONAL)	174*	0.48 Avg. Daily Occurrence	194	-10.3%
PERSONAL LARCENY OCCURRENCE (VEHICLE, RESIDENTIAL, PERSONAL)	57*	0.16 Avg. Daily Occurrence	88	-35.2%

*Numbers include 3 reported robbery offenses listed in serious crime category.

CATEGORY: GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT/CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Traffic Offenses	67	5.6	98	-31.6%
Property Damage	51	4.3	66	-22.7%
Warrants	38	3.2	38	0
Harassment	25	2.1	23	+8.7%
Trespassing	17	1.4	5	+240%
Other Illegal Act.	6	0.5	10	-40%
Ordinance Viol.	4	0.3	21	-81%
Vandalism	2	0.2	2	0
Juvenile Viol.	1	0.1	1	0
Weapons Viol.	1	0.1	0	--
2013 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2012 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	212	17.8	264	-19.7%

CATEGORY: ALCOHOL/DRUGS

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Drug Offenses	20	1.7	35	-42.9%
Alcohol Charges	14	1.2	18	-22.2%
DWI	12	1	24	-50%
2013 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2012 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	46	3.8	77	-40.3%

CATEGORY: PHYSICAL CRIME

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #	% Change
Assaults	17	1.4	48	-64.6%
2013 DAILY AVERAGE	0.05	--	--	--

CATEGORY: SERIOUS/VIOLENT CRIME

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2012 Total #
Sex Offense	6*	--	1
Personal Larceny	3	--	0

*Sex Offense # includes REPORTS OF sex offenses committed even if investigation revealed no misconduct OR offense occurred in a different jurisdiction.

CATEGORY: OTHER INVESTIGATION

Call Type	2013 Total #	Monthly Avg.
Death Inv.	3	--

2013 TOTAL OFFENSE TYPES AND INCIDENT REPORTS

2013 TOTAL OFFENSE TYPES/ MONTHLY/ DAILY AVG.	1745	145.4	4.8	<u>2012</u> <u>#</u> 2072	<u>%</u> <u>Change</u> -15.8%
2013 TOTAL INCIDENT REPORTS COMPLETED/ MONTHLY/ DAILY AVG.	1614	134.5	4.4	<u>2012</u> <u>#</u> 1934	<u>%</u> <u>Change</u> -16.6%

Area Patrols/Checks

Patrol Type	Total #	Monthly Avg.	Daily Avg.
Neighborhoods	10,946	912.2	30
Businesses	9,795	816.3	26.8
Requested House	114	--	--
Susp. Vehicles	17	--	--
Susp. Persons	2	--	--
Special Inv.	1	--	--
2013 TOTAL PATROLS/ DAILY PATROL AVG.	20,875	<u>2012 DAILY</u> <u>AVG.</u> 61.9	<u>2013 DAILY</u> <u>AVG.</u> 57.2

Arrests/Offense Charges/Counts

Charge	2013 Total #
Misdemeanor Larceny	18
Driving While Impaired	17
Failure To Appear	16
Carrying Concealed Weapon	7
Driving While License Revoked	5
Obtain Property By False Pretense	5
Simple Assault	5
Robbery With Dangerous Weapon	4
Shoplifting	4
Communicating Threats	3
Disorderly Conduct	3
Larceny By Anti-Theft Device	3
Larceny By Employee	3
Minor Charges	3
Warrant Service	3
Assault With A Deadly Weapon	2
Assault On A Female	2
Commitment Order	2
Damage To Property	2
Domestic Violence Violation	2
Felony Larceny	2
First Degree Trespass	2
Reckless Driving	2
Second Degree Trespass	2
Domestic Violence Assault	1
Hit & Run	1

Larceny Of Motor Vehicle	1
Possession Cocaine	1
Possession Drug Paraphernalia	1
Possession Schedule II	1
Possession Schedule VI	1
Possess Stolen Goods	1
Possess Weapon By Felon	1
Resist, Delay, Or Obstruct	1
Worthless Check	1
2013 TOTAL ARREST CHARGES/ MONTHLY/DAILY AVG.	128 10.7/0.4
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	199/-35.7%

Citation Charges

CATEGORY: SPEEDING

Citation Charge	Total #
Speeding	646
Speeding In School Zone	33
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	679
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	56.6/1.9
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	531/+27.9%

CATEGORY: VEHICLE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
Expired Registration	145
Cancelled/Revoked Registration	22
Operate/Allow Vehicle With No Insurance	21
Expired/No Inspection	19
Drive Motor Vehicle/Not Properly Registered	10
Fictitious/Altered Registration	5
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	222
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	18.5/0.6
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	199/+11.6%

CATEGORY: SAFETY/UNSAFE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
Fail To Wear Seat Belt Driver	28
Fail To Wear Seat Belt Passenger	17
Fail To Stop/Stop Sign Or Red Light	15
Child Restraint Violation	12
Careless Reckless Driving/Unsafe Movement	10
Fail To Reduce Speed	9
Lane Violations	6
Fail To Yield Right Of Way	5
Unsafe Passing	5
Fail To Move Over For Emergency Vehicle	2
Improper Equipment	2
Speed Competition	2
Vehicle Lights Violations	2
Following Too Close	1
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	116
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	9.7/0.3
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	106/+9.4%

CATEGORY: LICENSE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
No Operator's License	57
Driving While License Revoked	47
Aid & Abet DWLR	3
Allow Unlicensed To Drive	3
Fail To Notify DMV Address Change	1
Present Foreign Or License While DWLR	1
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	112
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	9.3/0.3
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	116/-3.5%

CATEGORY: ALCOHOL/DRUG OFFENSES

Citation Charge	Total #
Driving While Impaired	11
Possess Open Container Alcohol In Vehicle	9
Possession Drug Paraphernalia	4
Simple Possession Schedule VI	4
Possess/Consume Alcohol Under 21	3
Aid & Abet DWI	1
Aid & Abet Underage Drinking	1
Consume Alcohol Without Off-Prem. Permit	1
Drive After Consuming/Less Than 21	1
Drive With Open Cont. After Consuming	1
Possess Non-Tax Paid Liquor	1
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	37
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	3.1/0.1
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	73/-49.3%

CATEGORY: CRIMINAL OFFENSES

Citation Charge	Total #
Misdemeanor Larceny	23
Hit And Run/Fail To Stop For Accident	3
Second Degree Trespass	2
Damage To Property	1
Littering	1
Other Non-Specified Charges	1
Possession Of Stolen Goods	1
Resist, Obstruct, Or Delay	1
Shoplifting	1
2013 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	34
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	2.8/0.1
2012 TOTAL/% CHANGE	31/+9.7%

2013 TOTAL CITATION CHARGES	1203
MONTHLY/DAILY AVERAGE	100.3/3.3
2012 TOTAL #/% CHANGE	1056/+13.9%