



CITY OF  
*Otsego*  
MINNESOTA



**Wright County Sheriff's Office**  
**Activity Report**  
**2024**



## **MISSION**

The Wright County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with the community, is committed to improving our quality of life. We uphold the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Minnesota, and dedicate ourselves to maintaining order, protecting life and property, reducing the fear of crime and ensuring a safe and secure correctional facility. We hold ourselves accountable to the guiding principles of integrity, professionalism, caring, and fairness.

## **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

### **INTEGRITY**

We pride ourselves on upholding the highest ethical standards that guide us to serve in a trustworthy, truthful, and honorable manner.

### **PROFESSIONALISM**

We inspire trust and cooperation within the community and the Sheriff's Office. We are well-trained, highly motivated, progressive and innovative while providing responsive and quality service.

### **CARING**

We are compassionate and respectful. We are approachable, understanding, and considerate of the needs of all people.

### **FAIRNESS**

We are equitable, just and consistent. We serve the community and each other in an unbiased and impartial manner.



# *Sheriff Sean Deringer*

Mayor Jessica Stockamp, City Council Members Ryan Dunlap,  
Michelle Lund, Corey Tanner, Tina Goede and  
City Administrator Adam Flaherty.

Citizens of Wright County,

The Wright County Sheriff's Office is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest Sheriff's Office in the State of Minnesota. We provide law enforcement services to 13 of the county's 16 cities along with all unincorporated areas of Wright County. In a strong partnership with the community, we are able to provide the citizens with reliable service to maintain the high-level quality of life that we have come to enjoy and expect.

There are five divisions within the Sheriff's Office: Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Operations, Business Management and Corrections. Each division is broken down into smaller units such as: administration, court security, communications, community services, detective, emergency management, emergency response team, k-9, special investigations, school resource, recreational services, civil/warrants/transport, and traffic enforcement.

With the help of our community, the Wright County Sheriff's Office will continue to meet our challenges of providing high quality, cost effective and efficient law enforcement services to everyone in Wright County.

I look forward to working with and collaborating with our community leaders and citizens to ensure that we continue to carry out our mission of "keeping the peace" with professionalism, fairness, caring and integrity.

Respectfully,

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Sean A. Deringer

Wright County Sheriff



## 10 year look back at Otsego contracting history with the Sheriff's Office:

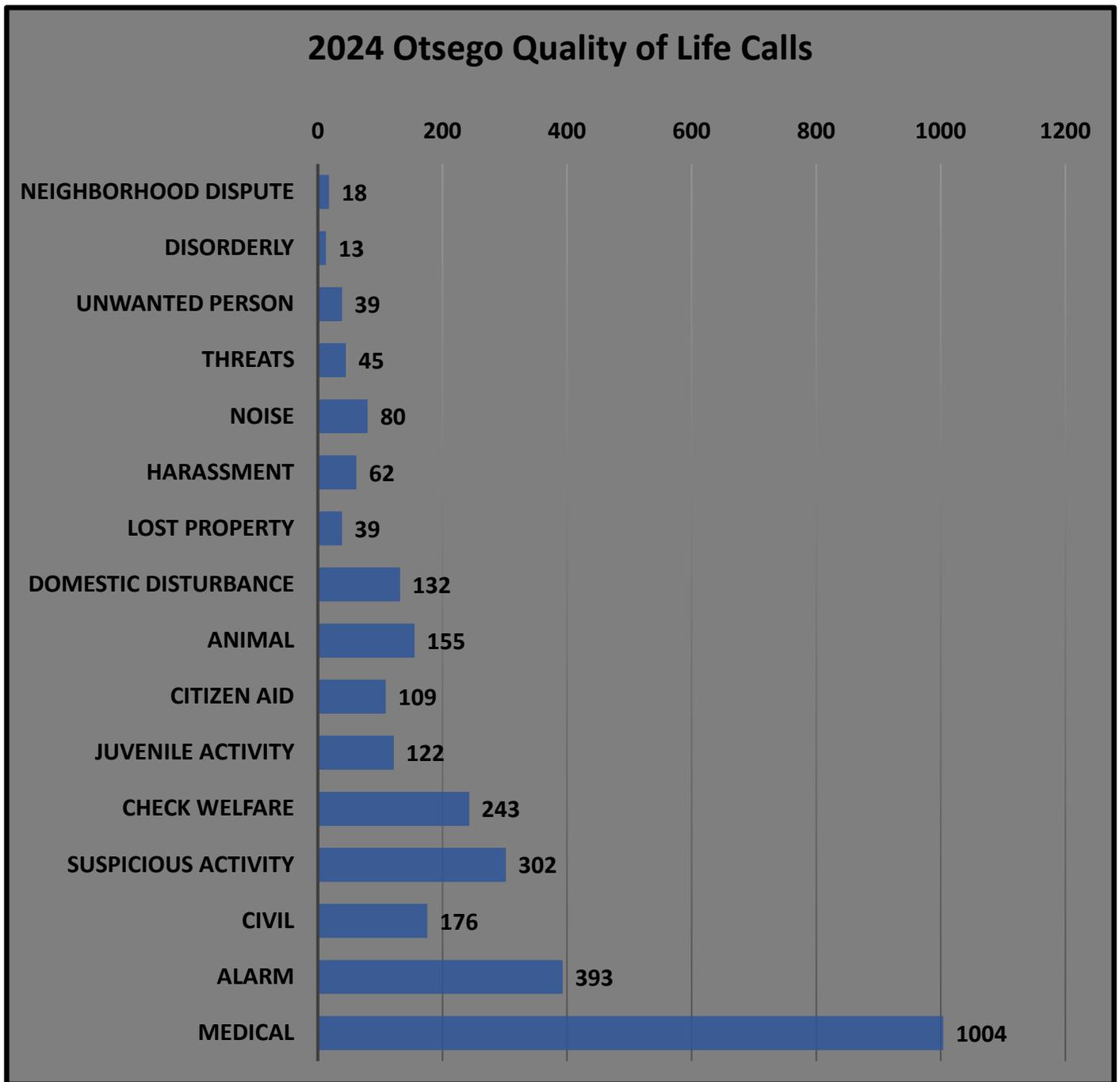
### ○ Contract rate history:

▪ 2015: \$64.50 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$941,700
▪ 2016: \$67.00 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$978,200
▪ 2017: \$69.50 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,014,700
▪ 2018: \$72.00 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,157,184
▪ 2019: \$74.50 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,305,240
▪ 2020: \$78.25 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,374,696
▪ 2021: \$81.75 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,432,260
▪ 2022: \$84.20 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,475,184
▪ 2023: \$86.75 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,583,188
▪ 2024: \$105.00 Hourly	Annual Cost	\$1,921,500
▪ <b>2025: \$110.00 Hourly</b>	<b>Projected Cost</b>	<b>\$2,007,500</b>

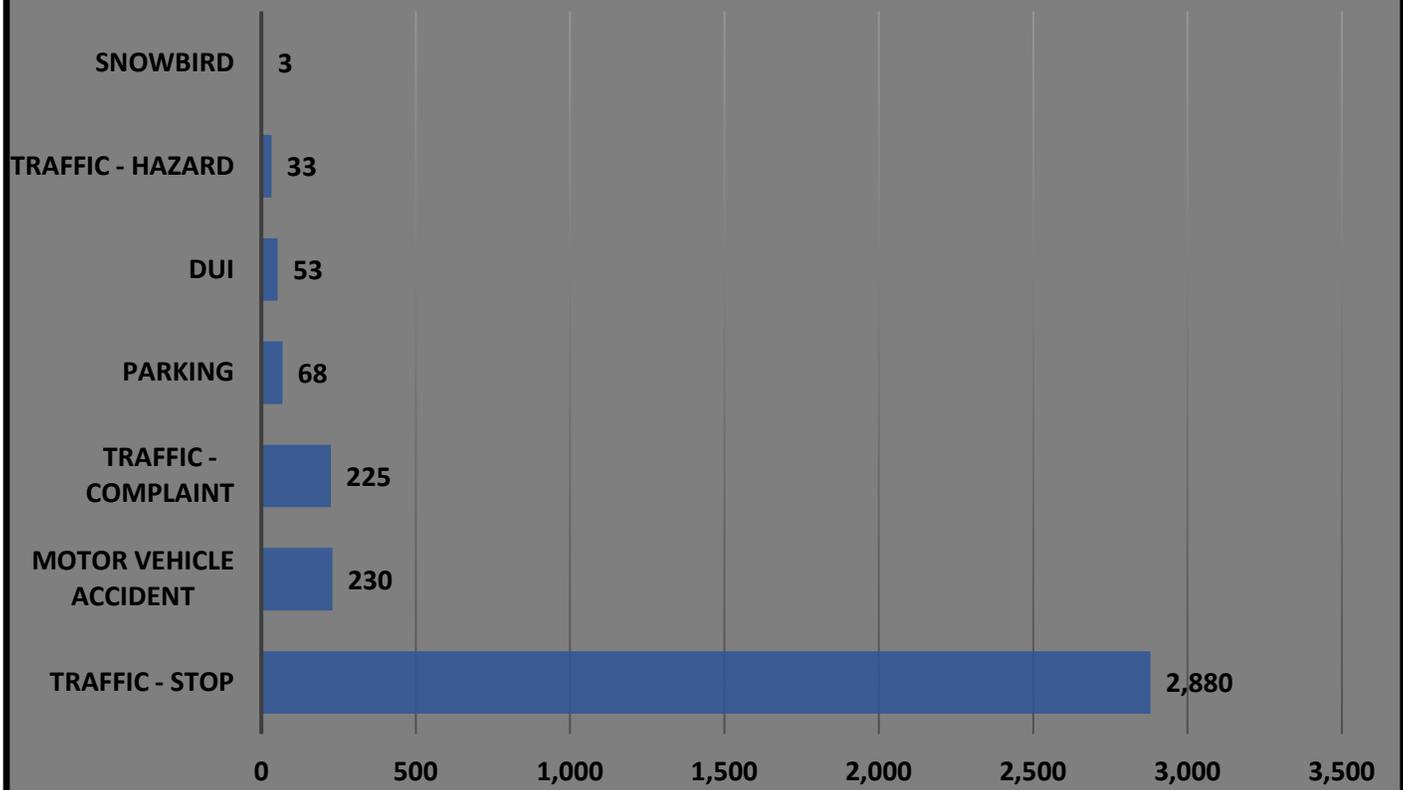
The City of Otsego has been contracting for law enforcement services with the Sheriff's Office for over 25 years. Otsego achieved 24 hours a day coverage in 2003 and maintained that level of service until 2005 when the coverage increased to 32 hours a day. In October of 2007, Otsego again increased their law enforcement contract to 40 hours a day which was the current level of coverage in 2017. In July of 2018, Otsego increased their coverage to 48 hours a day. In January of 2023, Otsego increased their coverage to 50 hours a day.

# 2024 Activity

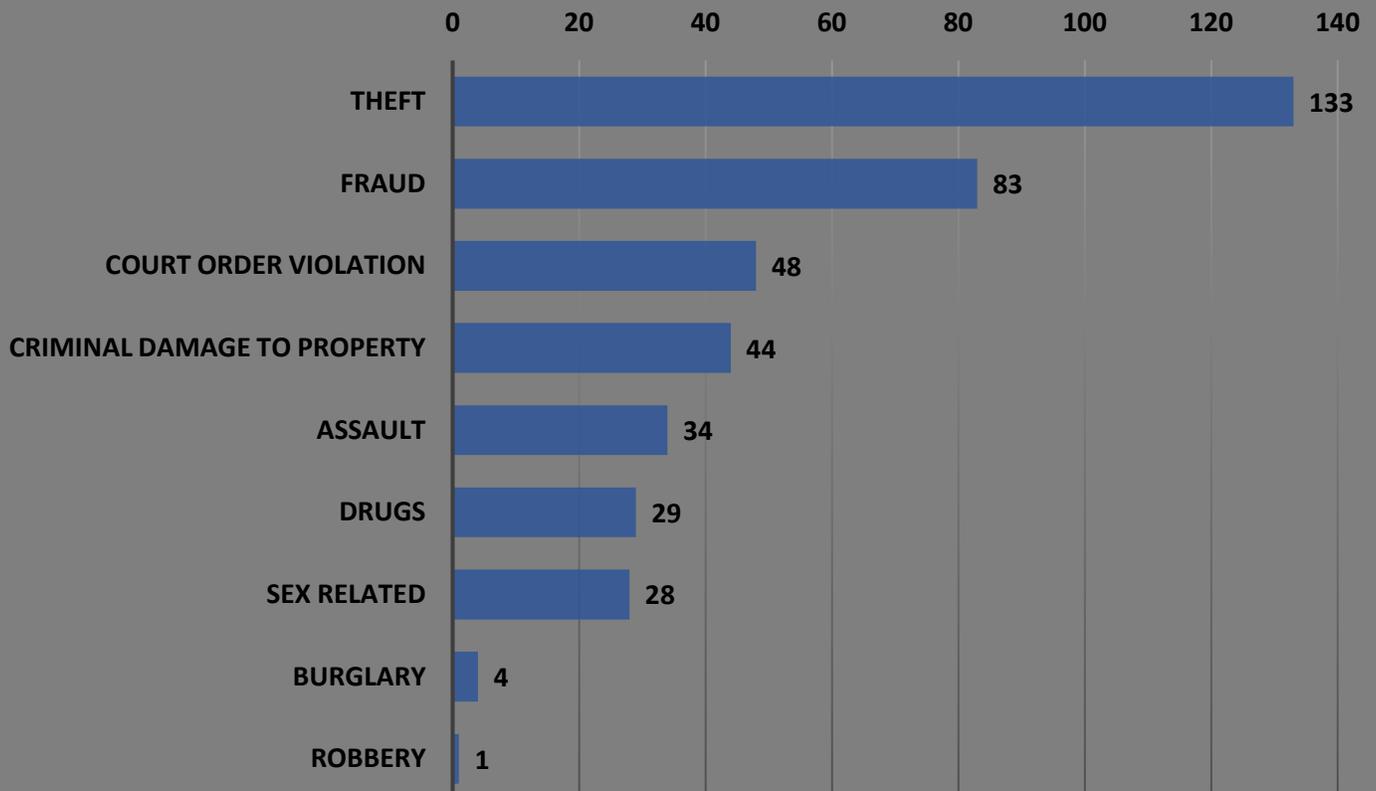
Sheriff Deputies responded to 8,853 calls for service in Otsego in 2024. Of those calls for service, 3,889 incidents turned into a case report and required further investigation by the deputies. The summaries below contain a snapshot of Otsego’s 2024 law enforcement activity.



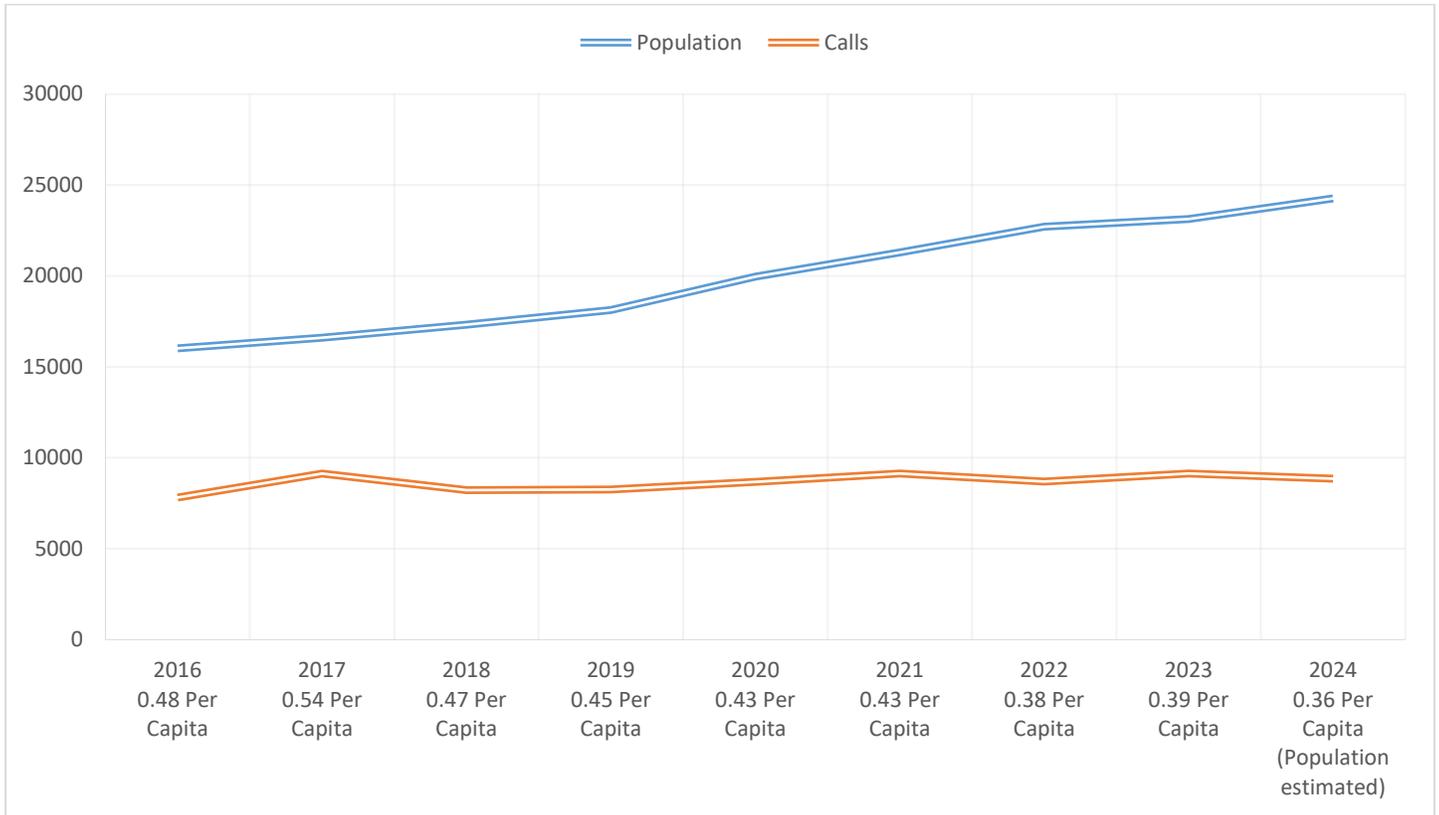
## 2024 Otsego Traffic Calls



## 2024 Otsego Crime Incidents



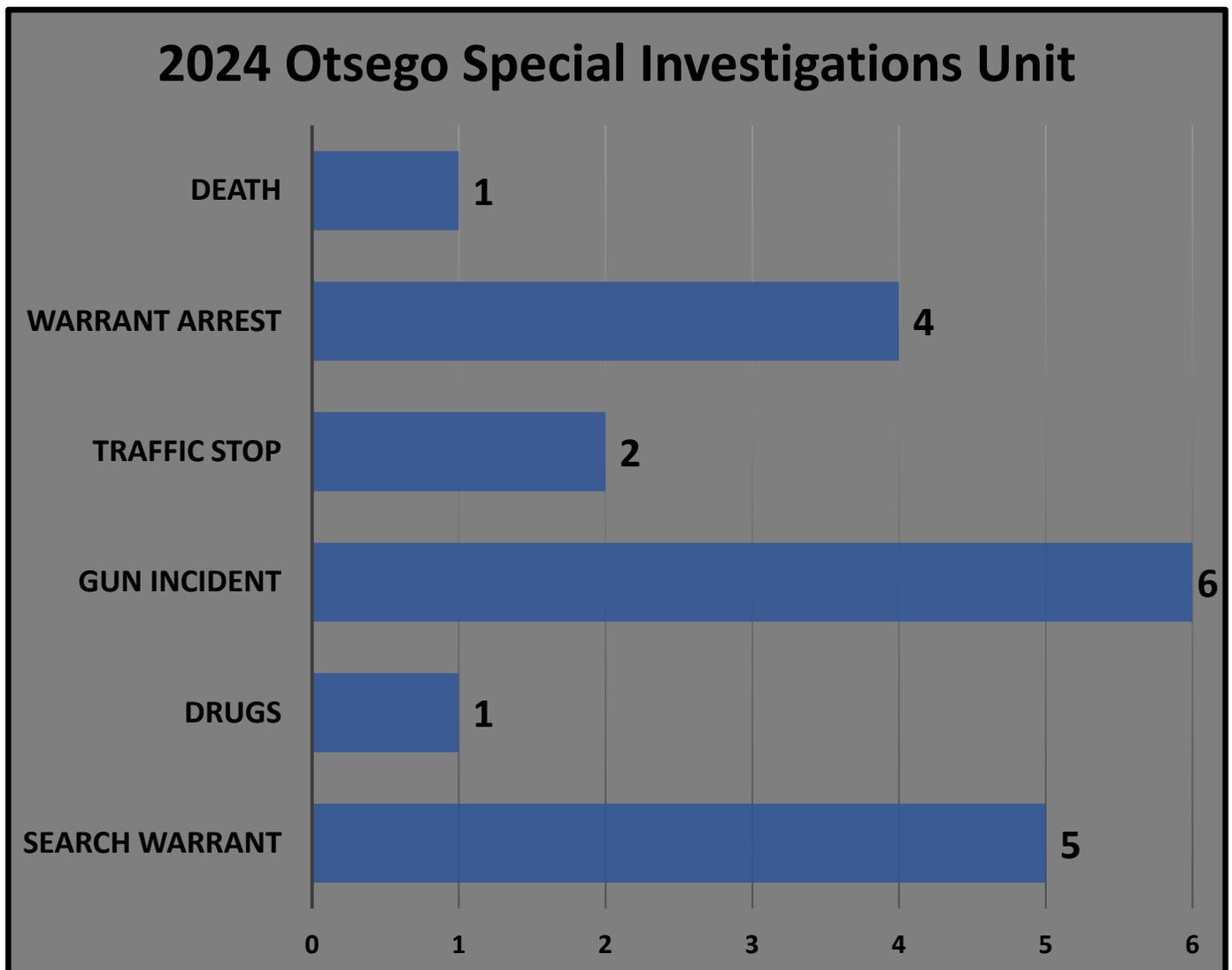
# 2016 – 2024 Population & Calls for Service



## 2023 – 2024 City of Otsego Significant Incident Codes

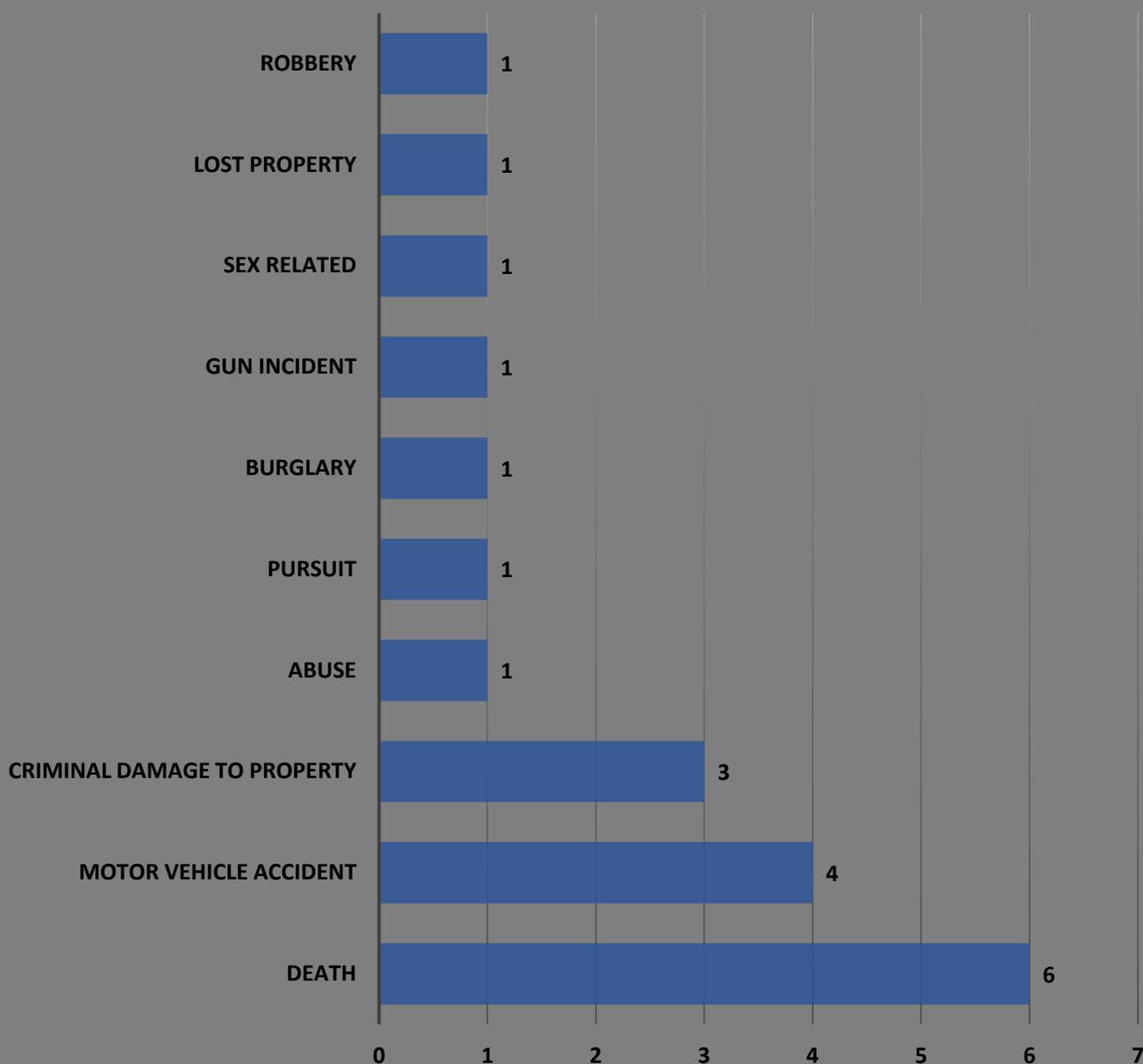
Significant Crime Calls	2023	2024
Assault	34	34
Burglary	27	4
Court Order Violation	25	48
Criminal Damage to Property	70	44
Drugs	60	29
Fraud Complaint	33	83
Homicide	0	0
Robbery	1	1
Sex Related	10	28
Theft	133	133
<b>Total</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>405</b>

The **Special Investigations Unit (SIU)** is part of the Wright County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division. The unit is comprised of a sergeant and two full time deputies. This is the only plain clothes and unmarked unit within the Sheriff's Office. Due to SIU's unique ability to blend in with the public, they are often utilized in situations where a marked patrol unit would not be feasible. This includes the arrest of people with warrants who commonly flee when confronted by a uniformed deputy or conducting surveillance of locations with suspected criminal activity. One of the main functions of SIU is to investigate drug crimes within Wright County. This is accomplished through investigative work, speaking with concerned citizens and informants, collaborating with other law enforcement agencies, utilizing social media, and through physical and electronic surveillance. SIU serves approximately 70 search warrants per year within the county along with assisting other local agencies with some of their search warrants. SIU also handles the civil forfeiture of cash, vehicles and firearms when their use or possession was related to controlled substance.

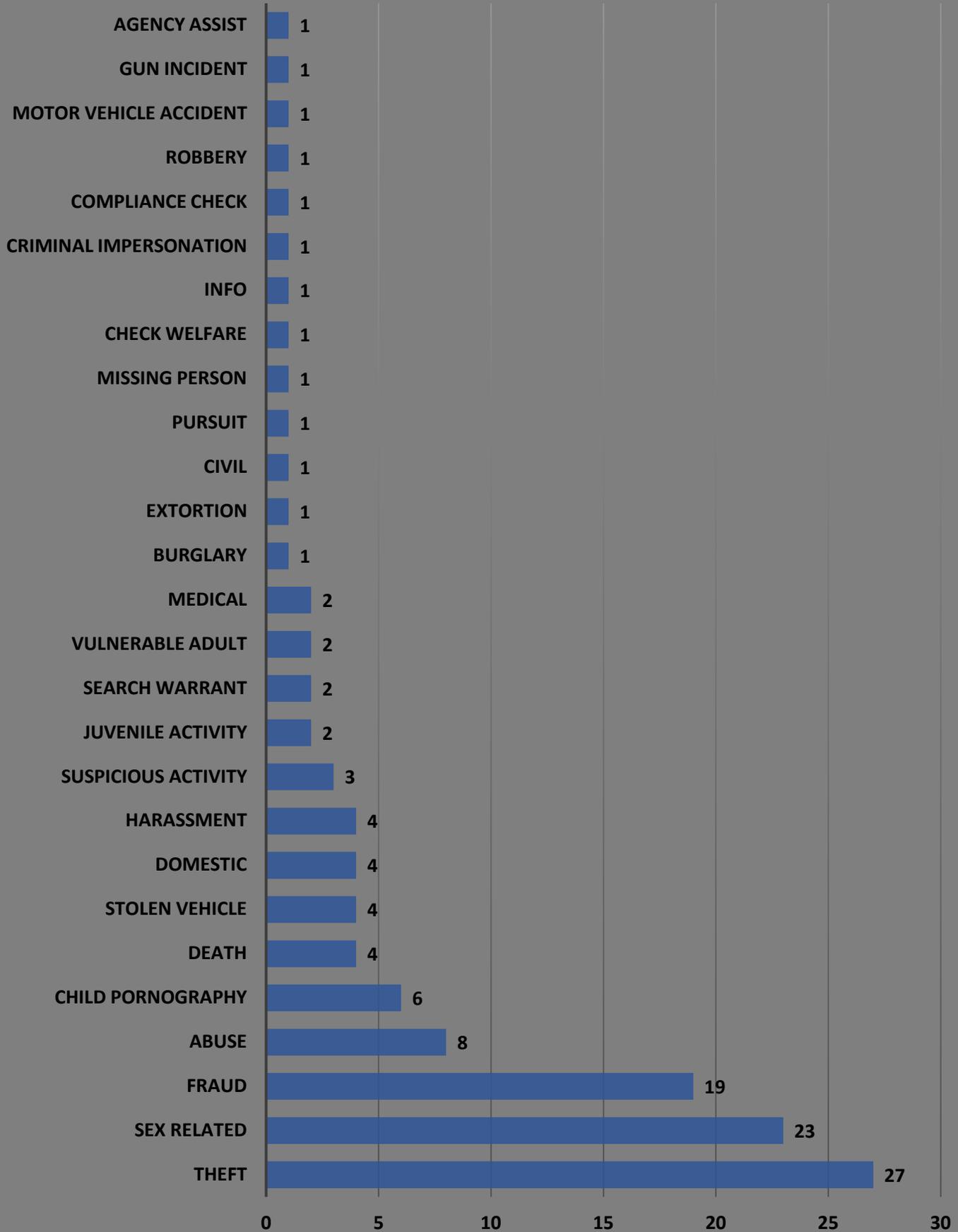


The **Major Crimes Investigation Unit (MCIU)** is responsible for documenting and processing crime scenes and evidence collected from scenes. The unit will respond when needed for death investigations, assaults, robberies, burglaries, or any scene where advanced skills and processing techniques are needed to collect and document evidence. MCIU also responds to motor vehicle crashes resulting in serious injuries or death. Besides documenting the crime scenes, MCIU is trained in processing evidence for latent prints, DNA evidence, tire and shoe tread patterns, tool mark evidence, biological stains, and trace evidence. Most of the evidence collected is sent to the Midwest Regional Forensic Laboratory where further analysis and comparison is done and hopefully identifications are made.

## 2024 Otsego Major Crimes Investigations Unit

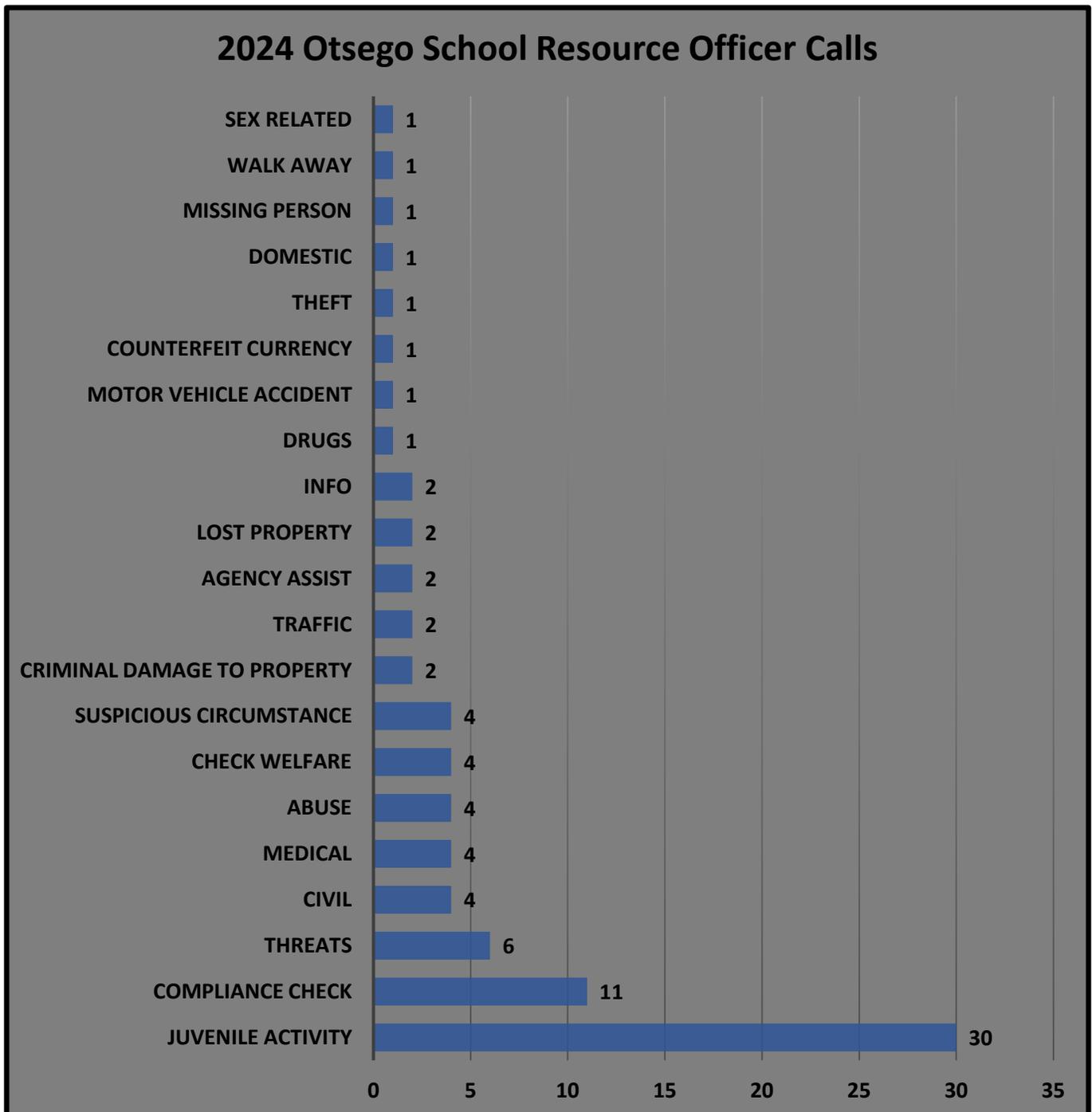


## 2024 Otsego Cases Assigned to Investigations



# School Resource Officers

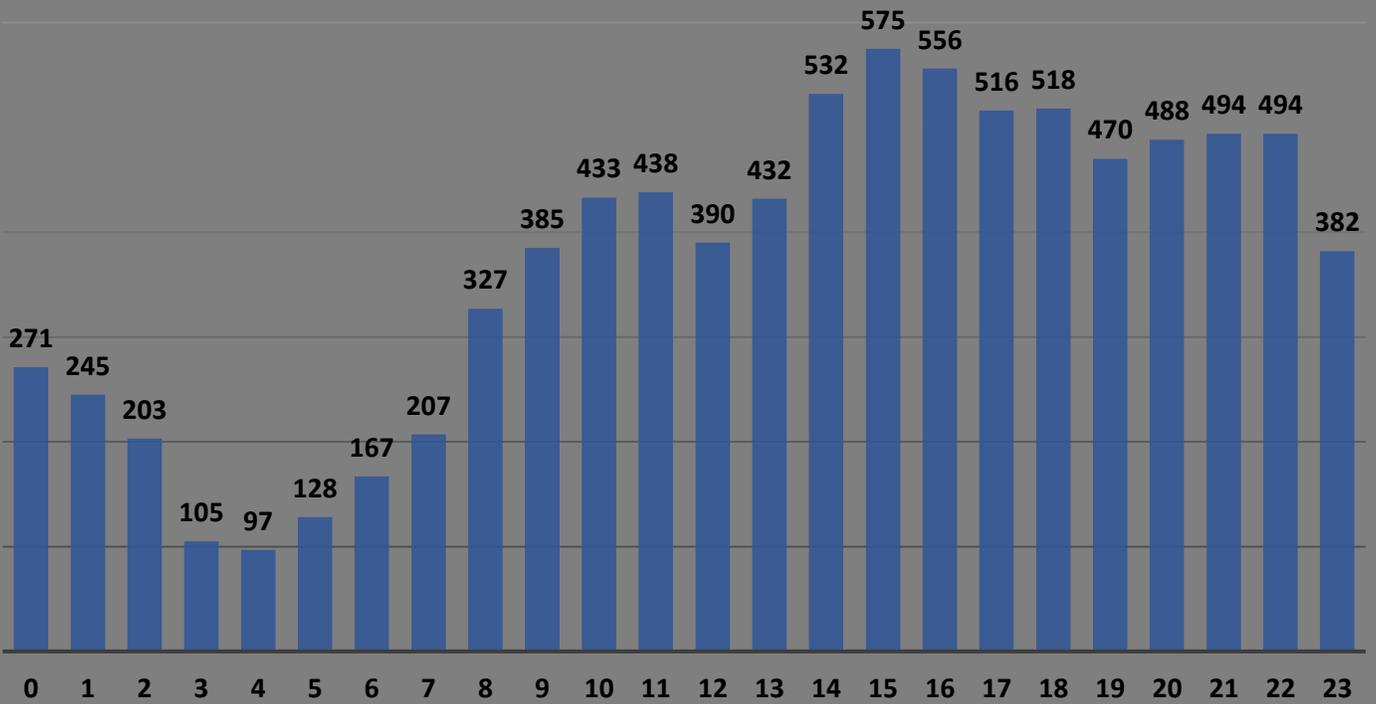
The Wright County Sheriff's Office works with 8 school districts to provide School Resource Officers (SRO) services on a contract basis. The 13 SRO's spend a good portion of their day making themselves visible and approachable to staff and students. The visibility of the deputy is a friendly reminder to students, staff and visitors that safety and security is a priority within the districts they serve. The below summary contains the activity for the 1 SRO assigned to the schools within the city of Otsego.



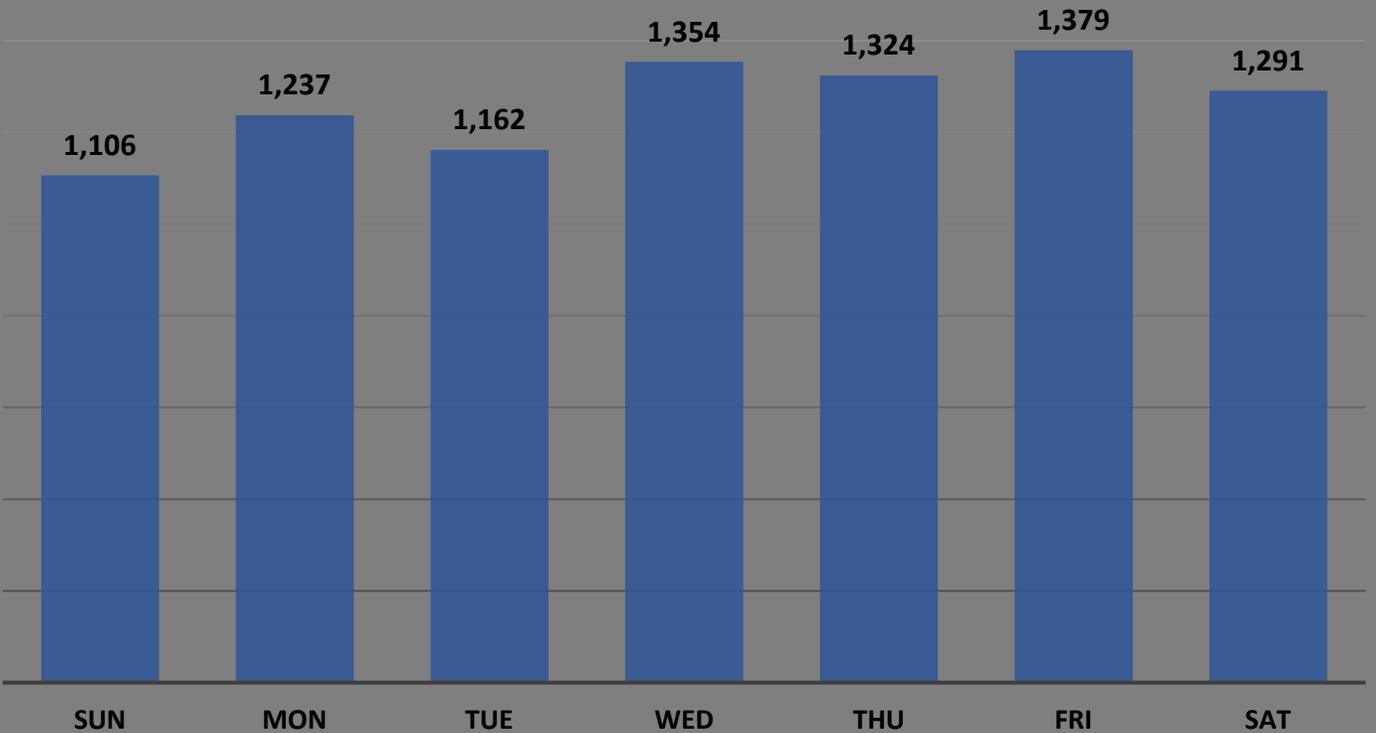
# 2024 City Comparison

	Otsego	Monticello	St Michael
<b>Significant Crime Calls</b>			
Assault	34	78	38
Burglary	4	4	6
Court Order Violation	48	36	34
Criminal Damage to Property	44	50	31
Drugs	29	106	36
Fraud Complaint	83	62	74
Homicide	0	0	0
Robbery	1	0	1
Sex Related	28	16	6
Theft	133	258	78
<b>Significant Quality of Life Calls</b>			
Alarm	393	560	353
Animal	155	211	109
Check Welfare	243	401	194
Citizen Aid	109	183	116
Civil	176	267	154
Disorderly	13	58	17
Domestic Disturbance	132	180	113
Harassment	62	101	34
Juvenile Complaint	122	139	201
Lost - Found Property	3	96	36
Medical	1004	1191	847
Neighborhood Dispute	18	44	19
Noise	80	106	56
Suspicious Activity	302	441	260
Threats	45	71	19
Unwanted Person	39	86	42
<b>Traffic Calls</b>			
DUI	53	88	43
Motor Vehicle Accident	230	385	252
Parking	68	83	70
Seasonal Parking	3	49	279
Traffic - Complaint	225	282	283
Traffic - Hazard	33	21	38
Traffic - Stop	2,880	4,715	3,200

## 2024 Otsego Calls by Time of Day



## 2024 Otsego Calls by Day of Week





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