

PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU  
STRATEGIC SERVICES DIVISION

# STOPS DATA COLLECTION

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1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER REPORT 2016

Mental Health-Addendum

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## DATA SOURCE

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The Portland Police Bureau's (PPB) goal is to be a leader in the collection and analysis of traffic and pedestrian stops data and to continually improve the quality of the processes involved in both collecting and analyzing the data. PPB recognizes that examining police stops is an important part of understanding policing practices, assessing services to the community, and identifying areas that may benefit from change.

We used the Stops Data Collection (SDC) System to retrieve data on stops conducted by both the Patrol Division and the Traffic Division. This same SDC system was used to retrieve data for both drivers and pedestrians.

As part of this study, we extracted a total of 12,383 traffic and pedestrian stops between January 1, 2016 and March 31, 2016 in the City of Portland. We excluded 2,288 unusable records<sup>1</sup> (e.g., duplicate and canceled stops), which left 10,095 records to analyze.

The PPB quarterly reports are intended to provide timely analysis on key metrics related to stops by PPB officers. Annual reports and special updates are intended to provide a more comprehensive review of the available data.

Historical data on police stops collected since 2001 can be found at the following web address, <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/police/65520>.

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<sup>1</sup> The number of usable records for this report differs from the Q1 2016 SDC report due to the inclusion of passengers and stops that did not contain demographic data but did include data related to mental health status.

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## TRAFFIC AND PATROL DIVISIONS

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The first section of the analysis examines the perceived mental health status of drivers, pedestrians and passengers of individuals contacted during traffic stops. These data represent the entire data set for the PPB and include officers from units such as the precincts (Central, East and North), specialized units such as members of the Gang Enforcement Unit (GET) and Traffic Division.

In Quarter 1, 2016, traffic and patrol stopped 10,095 drivers, passengers and pedestrians. Of this total, there were no perceived mental health issues in 8,479 individuals, perceived mental health issues in 1,050 stops and 566 stops where the mental health status was unknown.

**Table 1. Percieved Mental Health Status of of Drivers, Passengers and Pedestrians Stopped by Traffic and Patrol**

<b>Division</b>	<b>No Perceived Mental Health Issue</b>	<b>Perceived Mental Health Issue</b>	<b>Unknown Mental Health Issue</b>	<b>Total</b>
Patrol	3,702	42	543	4,287
Traffic	4,777	23	1,008	5,808
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,479</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1,551</b>	<b>10,095</b>