

WAUPACA POLICE DEPARTMENT



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

The Mission Statement of the Waupaca Police Department is to serve our community with the enduring belief that in doing so, we serve ourselves. We believe that community problems require total commitment between ourselves and those we serve. As professionals, we view our responsibilities as covenant of public trust. We recognize that the primary purpose of our organization is not only the skillful enforcement of the law, but the delivery of humanitarian services which promote community peace.

Waupaca City Council
Waupaca Police Commission
Mayor Brian Smith

City Representatives,

Attached you will find the Waupaca Police Department Annual report for 2015. Overall, you will find that Waupaca's reported crime rate decreased by approximately 20% from 2014 based on our Uniform Crime Reporting statistics, primarily due to a decrease in thefts and slight reduction in reported burglaries.

The total budget for police operations in 2015 was \$1,526,257 Actual expenditures came to \$1,565,257; about \$39,381 over budget (unaudited figures), or approximately 2.58%.

On the whole, police calls, citations and arrests decreased by .035%. Criminal arrests decreased by 4%, and citations decreased by 14.5%. Overall property loss due to theft decreased by 18.1%. Recovered stolen property was approximately 49%, considerably above the statewide average of 27%

In 2016, the Waupaca Police Department will begin a search for a new Police Chief due to my retirement after 30 years in Law Enforcement.

Respectfully submitted



Timothy Goke
Police Chief

February 08, 2016

Waupaca City Council
Waupaca Police Commission
Mayor Brian Smith
City Administrator Henry Veleker
Chief of Police Tim Goke

Dear Representatives,

The Waupaca Police Department endured some changes in personnel in 2015 as Officer Chris Coniglio resigned his position as a patrol officer to take a full time position with the Vilas County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Coniglio stated the reason for his resignation was to relocate back to his hometown of Minoqua. The Waupaca Police Department hired (3) new officers in 2015 and is presently at full staff. Sam Van Dinter was hired in February 2015 and is currently serving as the Police School Liaison Officer. Officer Van Dinter attended UW-Platteville and the Police Academy at Fox Valley Technical College. Officer Van Dinter previously was employed as a patrol officer with the Lac Du Flambeau Tribal Police prior to being hired full-time. The police department hired Brent Wittman in July 2015. Officer Wittman received his Associates Degree at Fox Valley Technical College and worked part-time for the Shiocton Police Department and Omro Police Department prior to be hired with our department. In August 2015, Dan Wasrud was hired as a patrol officer. Officer Wasrud received an Associate's Degree from Fox Valley Technical College and served as an auxiliary officer for the City of Menasha.



Van Dinter

Wittman

Wasrud

Officers are required to attend a minimum of 24 hours of training per year. In 2015, officers received training which included emergency vehicle operations, firearms qualifications, heroin abuse investigations, legal update, death investigation and other training consistent with the needs of the department. Officers also received training for the use of body cameras which the officers currently use while performing their duties. The Waupaca Police Department records and reports training to ensure officers meet the standards set forth by the State of Wisconsin.

On behalf of all the dedicated professional members of the Waupaca Police Department, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to the members of the Police Commission, Mayor Brian Smith and the Common Council for their continued support.

Respectfully,

Geoff C. Johnson

Lieutenant

2015 Crime Investigative Report

In mid-January 2015 the City of Waupaca Police Department investigated a burglary complaint at Little Caesar's Pizza where a substantial amount of money was stolen. During the investigation, it was learned that approximately twenty businesses across the state were also victims of burglaries with similar circumstances. Departments from Outagamie County, Green Bay, Mauston, De Pere, Shiocton, Stevens Point, Plover, Waupaca, Wisconsin Rapids, Green Lake County, Portage County and Juneau County worked together. In all, police estimate \$150,000 in thefts and damages occurred from the professional burglary ring. One adult was charged with the City of Waupaca burglary; however, a ring of four adults were charged in connection with all of the burglaries.

At the end of January a fuel truck driver at the BP Amoco and a teller at the Waupaca Mobile Travel Center were victims of an armed robbery. Each of the armed robberies were within one hour of each other. A forty-two year old male was taken into custody later that morning. The cash from each of the victims was recovered. During the investigation, the forty-two year old male was also found to be responsible for an armed robbery that happened in Northport, Waupaca County two days earlier.

At the end of June, the Paca Pub became a victim of a burglary. Approximately six months later, a twenty-five year old male was taken into custody by Waupaca officers during a burglary in progress at Nelson's Strike Zone. The twenty-five year old male later confessed to the Paca Pub burglary as well as a residential burglary. The twenty-five year old male is also suspected of two more residential burglaries; however, they are pending because of other court proceedings. When the twenty-five year old male was asked what he did with all the money, he said he used it to purchase heroin for himself.

At the end of August, the City of Waupaca Police Department along with State Fire Marshalls from the Department of Criminal Investigations investigated an Arson that took place on W. Union Street in the City of Waupaca. This continues to be an on-going investigation; however, earlier in the day, a Federal Search Warrant was served where three adults were accused of selling more than 3.5 ounces of heroin.

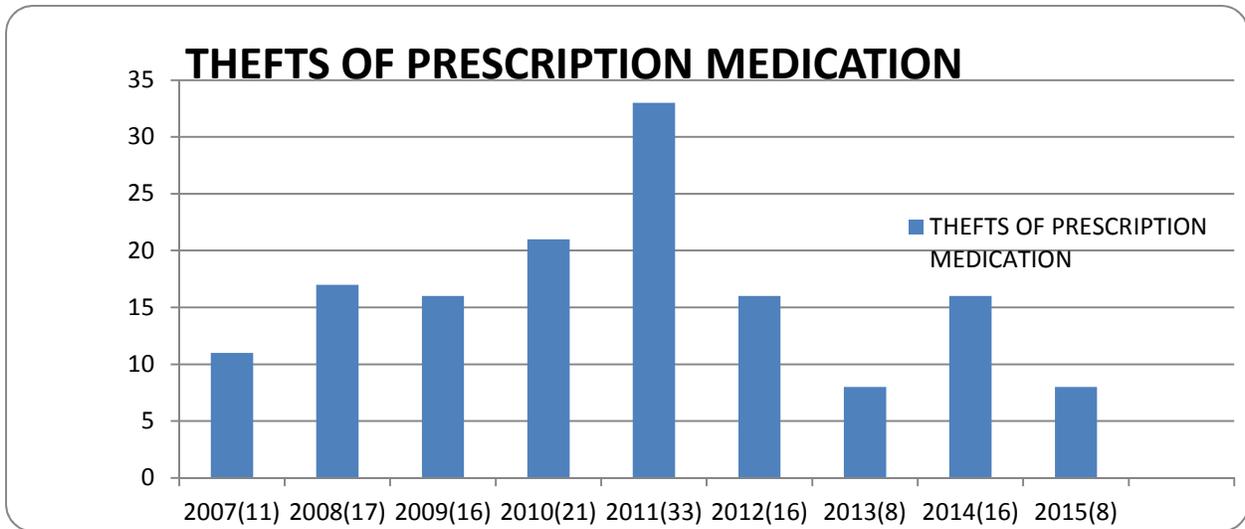
At the end of December, Stratton's Drug Store became a victim of a burglary. The suspect broke through a glass door and stole a large quantity of prescription medication. A forty-three year old male subsequently was taken into custody. He was also charged for an attempted burglary the day before at the same business; however, he was unable to gain entry.

During the year of 2015, the City of Waupaca Police Department worked with the Department of Criminal Investigation and the Central Wisconsin Drug Task Force. During that time, five adults were charged with thirteen counts of Manufacturing/Deliver of Heroin <3gms as well as other drug crimes in the City of Waupaca. Heroin/ Opiate Addiction continues to be a problem not only in Waupaca and the surrounding area; however, the entire country.

The Waupaca Police Department and the Waupaca Community Health Action Team (CHAT) as well as other interested community leaders including doctors and nurses along with citizens in the community are currently working together to build a five pillar approach (harm reduction, prevention, treatment, enforcement, and recovery) of dealing with this issue.

Because of the Opiate addiction the City of Waupaca Police Department has been tracking the number of reported prescription thefts since 2007. Individuals were reporting to police that their prescriptions were stolen in an attempt to get health care professionals to prescribe another prescription.

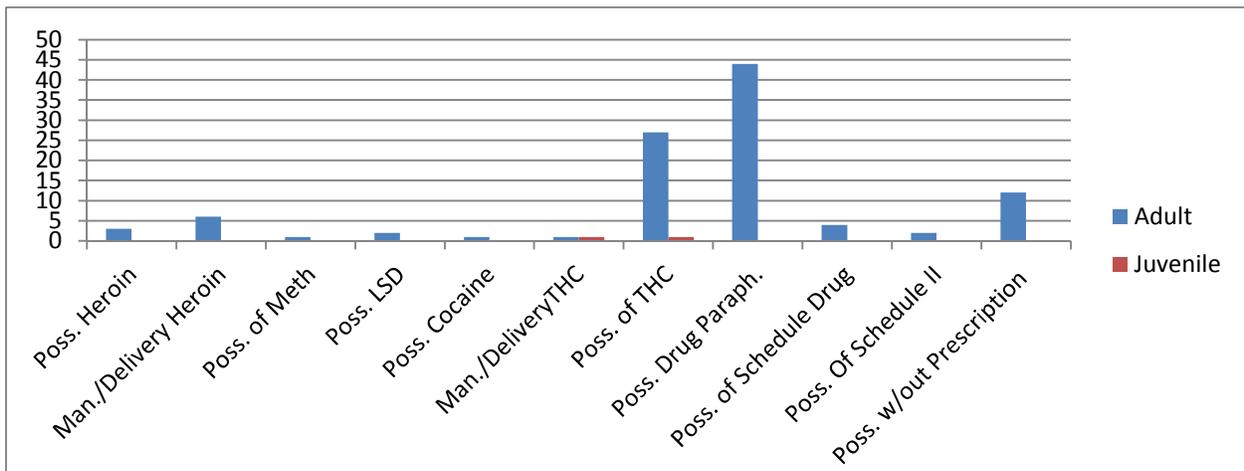
In 2015, there were eight reported prescription thefts which is a decrease from 2014 where there were sixteen reported prescription thefts. The graph below depicts prescription drug complaints from 2007 – 2015.



The chart below depicts actual drugs that were recovered by City of Waupaca Police Officers during 2015.

Drug Type	Quantity	Units
Marijuana	125.433	GM
Marijuana	1	Plants
Heroin	10.1	GM
Methamphetamine	3.4	GM
LSD	7	DU
Cocaine	1.50	GM
Morphine	44	DU
Hydrocodone	30	DU
Clonazepam	43	DU
Oxycodone	21.75	DU
Adderall	95	DU
Diazepam	667	DU
Other Prescription	151	DU

In 2015, the City of Waupaca Investigated 72 drug complaints that resulted in 102 drug charges. There were a total of 27 drug related felony charges, 27 misdemeanor charges, 50 ordinance citations, and 2 juvenile charges. The chart below includes the drug charges. Charges not included on this chart are drug investigations that were headed by the Department of Criminal Investigation and Waupaca County Drug Officers.



With the on-going drug problems, the City of Waupaca Police Department continues to be an active part of the Central Wisconsin Drug Task Force. The task force was developed so that departments could operate collaboratively between multiple jurisdictions. Members of the task force then formulate plans to combat drug trafficking. Plans include making controlled buys, and monitoring persons, houses, or property for suspected drug activity. The task force uses equipment that is bought, funded by grants, or seized to assist in their investigations. Members of the task force use search warrants and subpoenas to assist in their investigations to make arrests.

The agencies involved in the task force are Waupaca Police Department, Waupaca County Sheriff's Department, Waushara County Sheriff's Department, Stevens Point Police Department, Portage County Sheriff's Department, Wood County Sheriff's Department, Wisconsin Rapids Police Department, Marshfield Police Department, Berlin Police Department, Green Lake County Sheriff's Department, Juneau County Sheriff's Department, Adams County Sheriff's Department, Marquette County Sheriff's Department, Plover Police Department and Grand Rapids Police Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Det. Sgt. Brian Hoelzel

2015 Department Programs & Services

The Waupaca Police Department is committed to providing programs and services which are intended to facilitate effective and lasting solutions. The emphasis of our programs and services is to deter crime through education, prevention and community involvement.



We endeavor to utilize technology and department resources to increase public awareness of those programs and services we offer. Our face book site offers information such as road conditions, upcoming events, lost property and Waupaca's Most Wanted.

In 2015, the Waupaca Police Department continued programs designed to initiate a positive relationship with our young citizens. Officer Rodenz participated in several events throughout the year including a fun book night, a bike safety rally and a health fair. During these events, Officer Rodenz read books, offered information on bike safety and presented information on internet safety. All of the events were well attended. The bike safety rally was of particular interest as the police department offered a free bike registration to attendees.



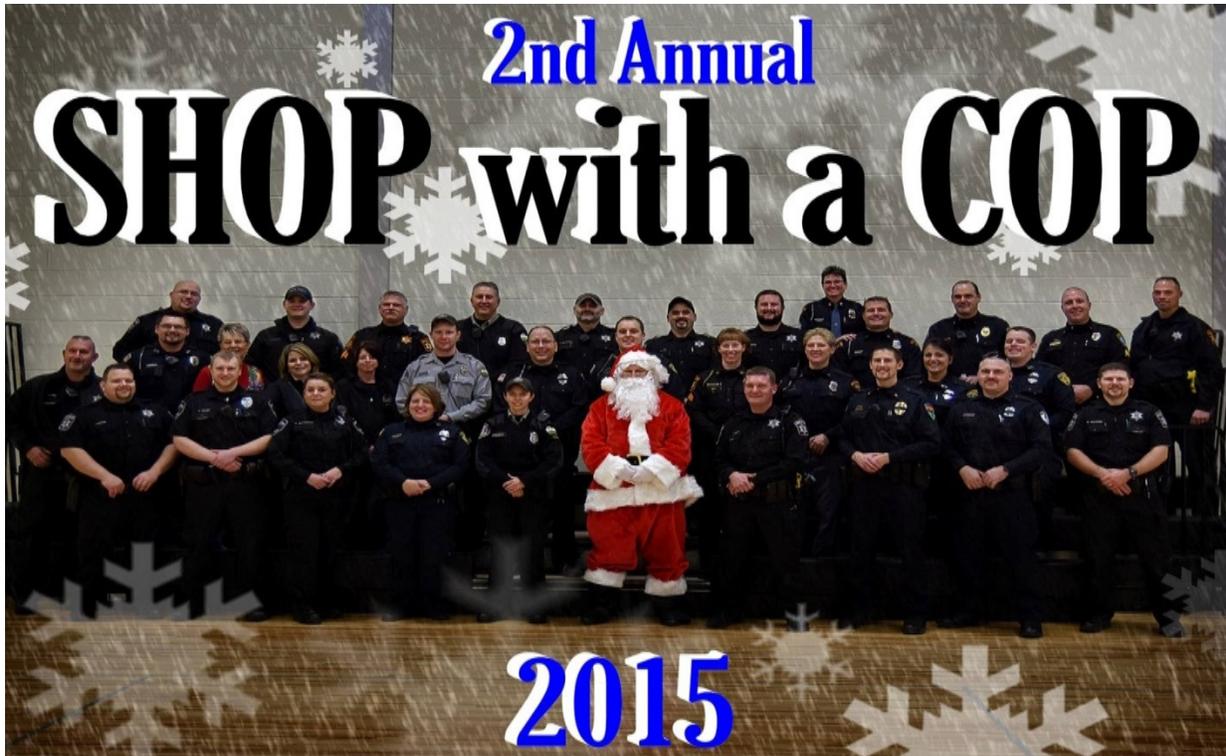
Additionally, the police department provides an array of ongoing and annual programs, presentations and special events. An example is the Stepping on program. Sergeant Hoelzel gave two presentations of Stepping on throughout the year. The presentations were well attended and offered information on pedestrian safety, residential security and financial scams.

Like many other communities, Waupaca saw an influx of heroin related calls during the year. Besides the individual impact heroin has on the user, there is also a distinguishable threat to community security. Traditional police methods have an



immediate affect but often fall short of long term objectives. In response to this epidemic, the Waupaca Police Department along with community sponsors presented a program called Rise Together. The program is an informative presentation concerning the growing problem of heroin and prescription drug use. The program was well attended and offered support services and information about profession help.

During the year, Officers from the City of Waupaca also participated in a program which is becoming increasingly popular called Shop with a Cop. This was the second annual Shop with a Cop in which Officers involved donated their time to take selected children on a shopping spree.



Throughout the year, the Waupaca Police Department also continued programs such as the prescription drug take back, business and residential security checks and a citizen ride along program.

Respectfully submitted,

Sgt. John Helgeson

WAUPACA COUNTY SWAT

Police response to an unusual emergency situation often requires specialized tactical units trained and equipped to take effective action. The Waupaca County Swat Team is designated for these types of situations. The primary goal of this unit is to contain, control, and resolve these situations as effectively and efficiently as possible while protecting life and minimizing the risk of injury to all persons involved.

The Waupaca County Swat Team is comprised of law enforcement S.W.A.T. officers throughout the county of Waupaca. A (S.W.A.T.) Operator is an officer who is trained in Specialized Weapons And Tactics. Law Enforcement Depts compiling the Waupaca County Swat Team are the Waupaca P. D., Waupaca County Sheriff's Dept., Clintonville P. D., New London P. D., and the Iola P. D. Currently there are 16 Swat operators that comprise two teams (GRAY Team and BLUE Team). The Waupaca P. D. designated SWAT operators are Sergeant Mario Graceffa and Officer Brent Krueger.

The Waupaca County Swat Team will respond for deployment when ordered out by proper authority for the purpose of controlling non-routine/high risk incidents. Swat will provide a coordinated police response in situations where non-routine police action is required. Swat may be used if requested for the execution of high-risk warrants that may pose a danger to innocent persons or police personnel.

SWAT CALLS 2015

MAY Waupaca Swat was called out to execute a narcotics search warrant at a rural Waupaca County residence. Information for the warrant was obtained from an ongoing drug investigation. The subject of the warrant was believed and known to possess firearms. After execution of the warrant suspects were taken into custody for related narcotic possession/delivery offenses. Illegal narcotics, specifically heroin were seized as evidence during the warrant search.

JUNE Waupaca Swat was called out to execute an arrest warrant at a residence in the City of New London. The subject of the warrant was wanted for physical abuse of a child. Information was obtained stating the warrant subject would not be taken into custody without a fight with Law Enforcement.

JULY Waupaca Swat was called out to execute a narcotics search warrant at a residence in the City of Waupaca. Information for the warrant was obtained from an ongoing drug investigation conducted by the Central Wisconsin Drug Task Force. After execution of the warrant suspects were taken into custody for related narcotic possession/delivery offenses. Illegal narcotics, specifically heroin were seized as evidence during the warrant search.

In addition to the calls for service the Waupaca Swat Team maintains a vigorous training schedule. The Waupaca Swat Operators trained monthly in several tactical areas. Swat Operators train for scenarios in hostage rescue, active shooters, barricaded subjects, negotiations, and executions of warrants. The majority of the Swat Operators are State Certified Instructors in several police disciplines.

Respectfully submitted

Sergeant Mario Graceffa

2015 Police School Liaison Report

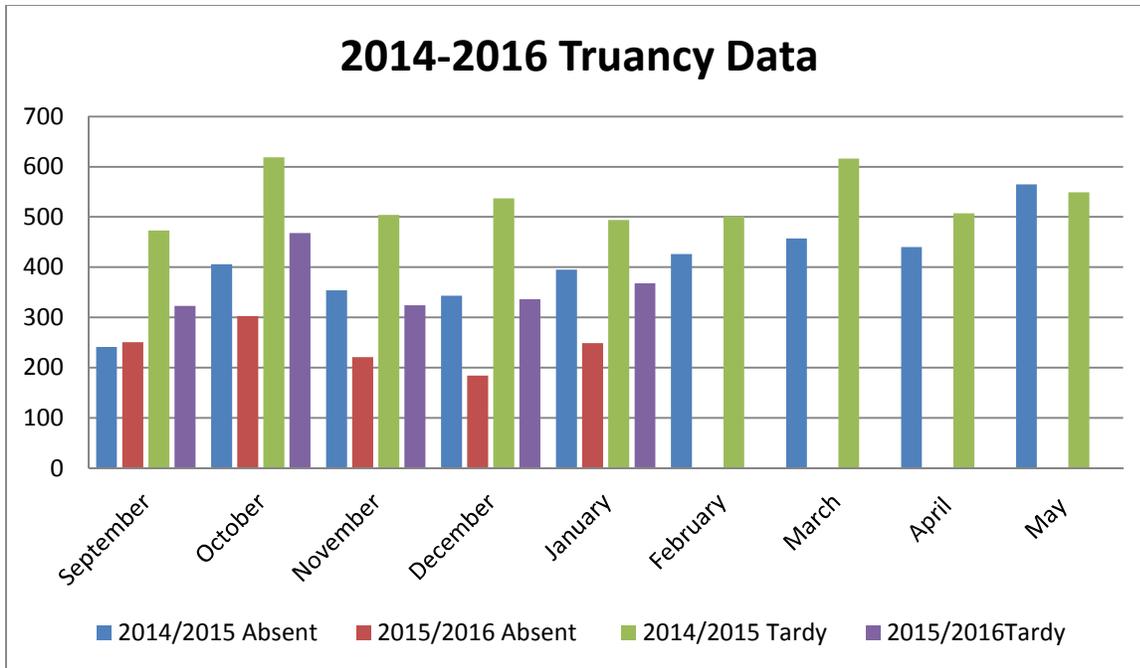
The 2015 calendar year was a bittersweet year for the department's police school liaison position. During the second half of the 2014-2015 school year Ofc. Rodenz announced he would be resigning as the department's police school liaison officer. Ofc. Brett Rodenz served for 7 years in this position and will be missed by many students and staff. The Waupaca Police Department and the Waupaca School District hired Ofc. Samuel Van Dinter to fill the position. Ofc. Van Dinter was hired in February of 2015. Ofc. Van Dinter was previously employed by the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians as a tribal police officer and brought 2 years of full time experience to the position.

During the second semester of the 2014-2015 school year, Ofc. Rodenz instructed Counteract to the Middle School's 5th grade students. Counteract is a substance abuse prevention program focusing on instructing students about the facts of alcohol and other drug use. Ofc. Rodenz also presented to various classes in topics including; cyberbullying, bullying in the school setting, constitutional rights, alcohol and tobacco use, and presented to student's enrolled at CAP Services.

During the month of May Ofc. Rodenz participated in a bicycle safety program at the Waupaca Learning Center. Ofc. Rodenz spoke to student and community participants about Wisconsin's traffic laws and City ordinances as they pertain to bicyclists and pedestrians. Ofc. Rodenz also spoke about the importance of wearing helmets when cycling.

During the first semester of the 2015-2016 school year Ofc. Van Dinter presented to Mr. Konda's health classes about alcohol and tobacco use. Ofc. Van Dinter presented to Mrs. Duda's class about laws pertaining to search and seizure. Ofc. Van Dinter also presented to several classes about bullying and cyberbullying.

During the first semester of the 2015-2016 school year Ofc. Van Dinter worked in cooperation with the Waupaca High School's new Dean of Students Scott Van Ess on truancy reduction. Dean Van Ess was previously employed at the Waupaca Learning Center as the PBIS coordinator. Dean Van Ess and Ofc. Van Dinter reviewed and revised the High School's approach to truancy. Truancy intervention options such as; letters to home, home visits, student meetings, parent meetings, student truancy warnings, student truancy citations, parent contributing to truancy citations, and class rescheduling are some of the methods used to reduce truancy.



The above chart is in regards to truancy data compiled by Dean Van Ess from the districts Infinite Campus system. Absent unexcused is when a student misses an entire class period and they are reflected on the chart in days. Each day represents 8 class periods. Tardy unexcused is when a student arrives to class after the class period has already began and are reflected in the number of times students were late to class. Overall there has been a reduction in the number of absent unexcused and tardy unexcused

Respectfully Submitted,

Ofc. Samuel Van Dinter #50

2015 Budget Summary

Though the city's 2015 population is estimated at 6,069 much of the area's population lives outside the city limits in surrounding townships. The Waupaca area supports a service area of over 30,000 people within a 15 mile radius of the city. Waupaca serves as the county seat encompassing approximately 8.01 square miles and has about 47.20 miles.¹

The 2015 Budget for the Waupaca Police Department was \$1,526,257. The budget is broken down into 7 different areas or “programs”, including Police Administration, Police Patrol, Clerical, Drug Enforcement, School Liaison, School Patrol and Parking Enforcement. Table 1 depicts the actual budget for specific programs for 2015. In 2015, the Police Department came in over budget by 2.58%, or approximately \$39,381.00

2015 BUDGET SUMMARY				
	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Percentage
Police Administration	\$235,839	\$243,007.00	(\$7,168)	3.04%
Police Patrol	\$1,073,689	\$1,118,572.00	(\$44,883)	4.18%
Clerical	\$67,979	\$70,844.00	(\$2,865)	4.21%
Meg Operations	\$2,367	\$238.00	\$2,129	-89.95%
School Patrol	\$8,478	\$11,963.00	(\$3,485)	41.11%
School Liaison	\$58,905	\$44,317.00	\$14,588	-24.77%
Building	\$79,000	\$76,697.00	\$2,303	-2.92%
TOTAL	\$1,526,257	\$1,565,638	(\$39,381)	2.58%

Table 1 **figures do not reflect final audit report*

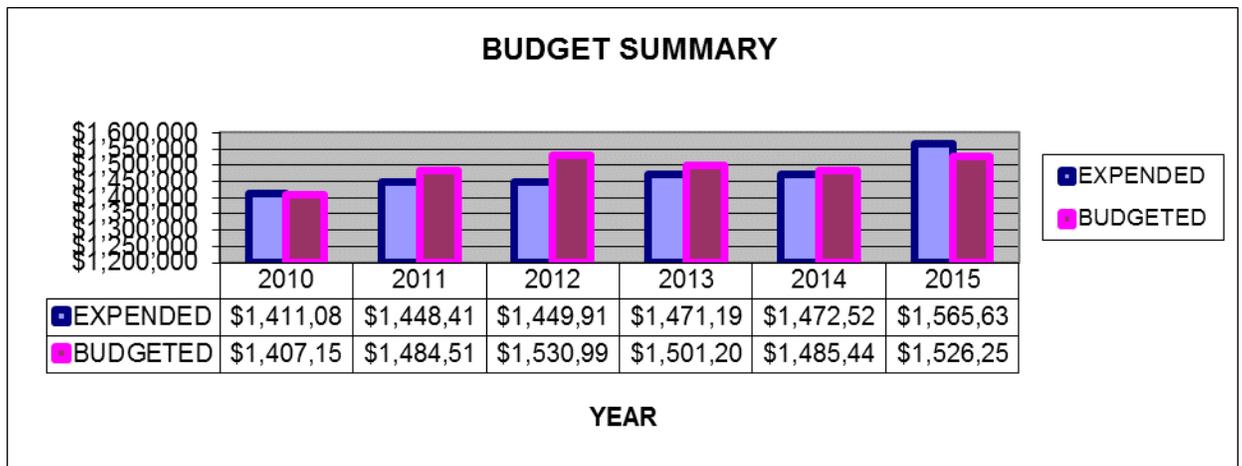


Figure 1

¹ Waupaca Department of Planning and Zoning

Police Department 2015 Incident Analysis

The Police Department tracks every call an Officer is called to, including all self initiated field activity (SIFA). Table 4 depicts the yearly summaries with a percentage depicted for each category shown in Figure 3. This depicts a decrease in Incidents of 4.5% when compared with 2013. A summary of each category is as follows:

Assist: General Citizen assists to include assisting EMS, FIRE, businesses, motorists (i.e. lockouts), and assisting other agencies.

Criminal: All calls related to criminal activity, such as burglaries, thefts, drug offenses, and domestic disturbances.

General: This category includes a variety of services, including animal complaints, delivery of council and other legal notices, follow up investigations, and community presentations.

Ordinance: General ordinance violations, such as animal complaints, disturbances, bad checks, truancy, and permit violations.

Service: General Service related calls, such as missing persons, special patrols, and warrant arrests.

Traffic: All traffic related calls, such as speeding, OWI, school zone enforcement, traffic direction, and accident investigation.

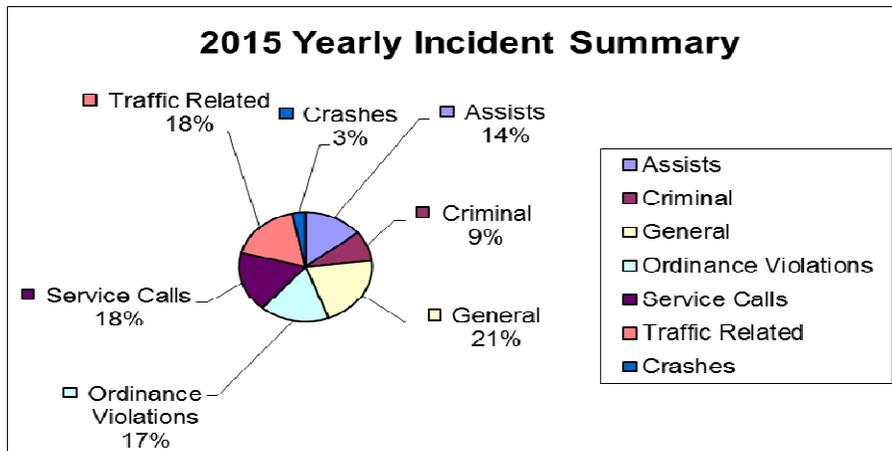


Figure 2

YEAR	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Assists	1663	1870	1766	1533	1258	1329
Criminal	824	681	733	708	801	833
General	1545	2072	1568	934	1789	1966
Ordinance Violations	1938	1724	2001	719	1713	1567
Service Calls	1320	1423	1612	1655	1735	1659
Traffic Related	2068	2022	3421	3557	1418	1644
Crashes	283	331	272	425	379	301
TOTAL CALLS	9641	10123	11373	9531	9093	9299

Table 2

2015 Property Loss Analysis

The total property loss (theft) for 2015 was reported at \$66,461, and the amount of stolen property recovered was \$32,652, or approximately 49%. In 2012, the statewide recovery rate average was 27%². Figure 3 depicts a property loss analysis over the past 5 years. Based on this graph, you can see that the Waupaca Police Department is generally consistently higher with recovery rates than the statewide average.

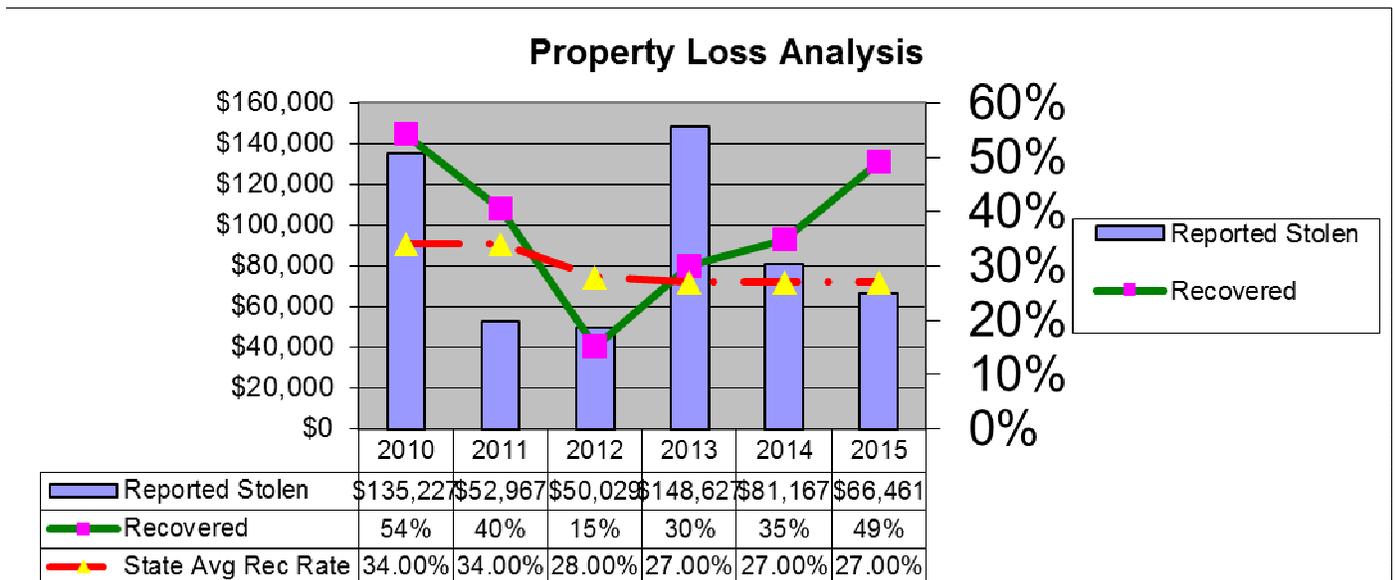


Figure 3

² Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance, 2012 Crime in Wisconsin

Uniform Crime Reporting Summary

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, which began in 1929, collects information on the following crimes reported to law enforcement authorities: homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson.

In 2015, The WPD saw a 20% Decrease in UCR Crimes from 290 in 2014 to 232.

UNIFORM CRIME DATA SUMMARY					
YEAR	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	2	1	3	0
Burglary	10	23	7	27	21
MV Theft	7	0	2	4	6
Robbery	3	2	4	2	3
Theft	211	192	167	219	170
Assault	30	34	36	35	32
TOTAL	261	253	217	290	232

Table 4

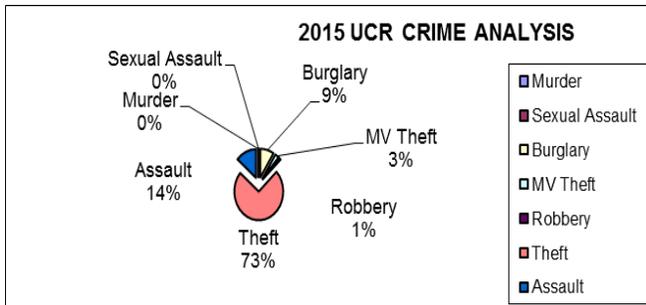


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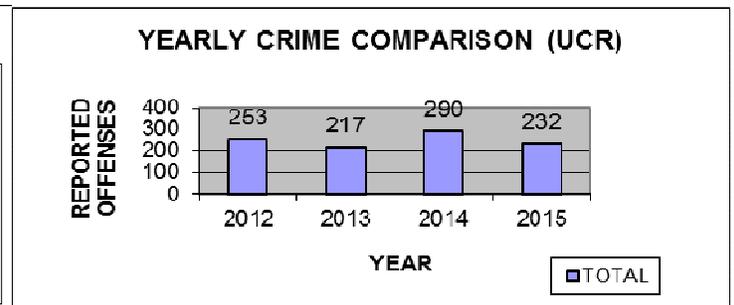


Figure 5

Uniform Crime Reporting Clearance Rate

Figure 6 depicts the arrest clearance rates for UCR offenses in 2015 as compared to the state wide average rates for 2012³. Category for Murder is reported at 0% clearance due to the fact that there were no offenses reported.

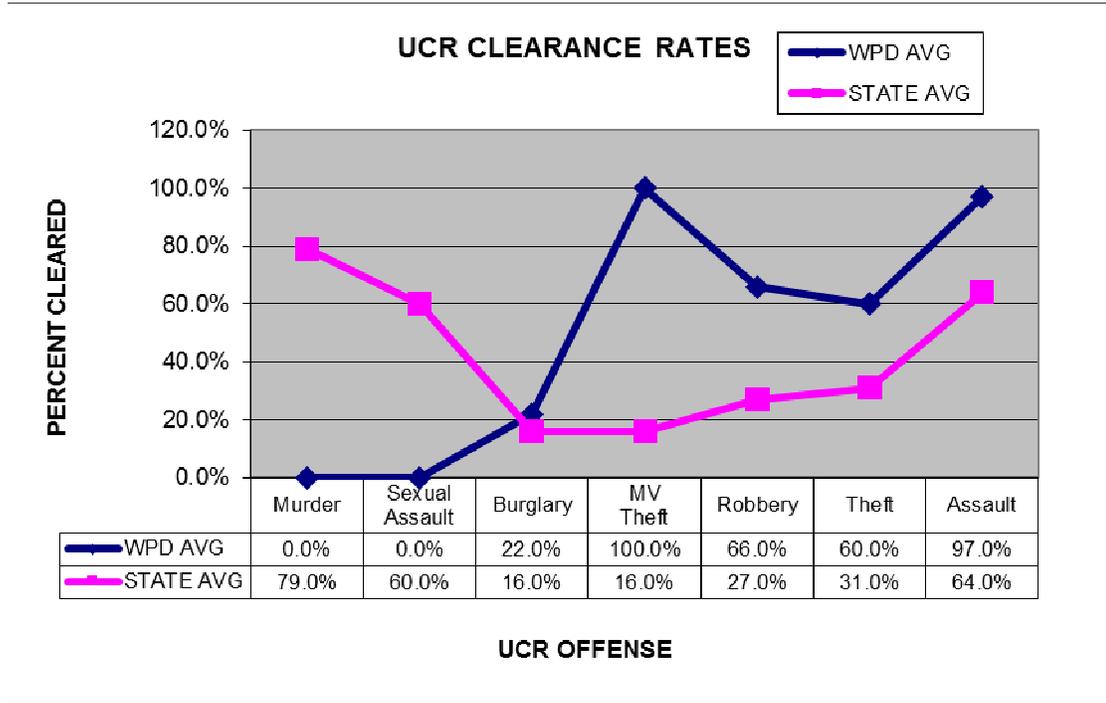


Figure 6

³ Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance, 2012 Crime and Arrest Report.

2015 Criminal Arrest Analysis

Figure 7 depicts the actual number of total criminal arrests made by the Waupaca Police Department. Figure 8 depicts a percentage breakdown of all arrests made in 2015. In comparison, there was a 4% decrease of criminal arrests from 2014 to 2015.

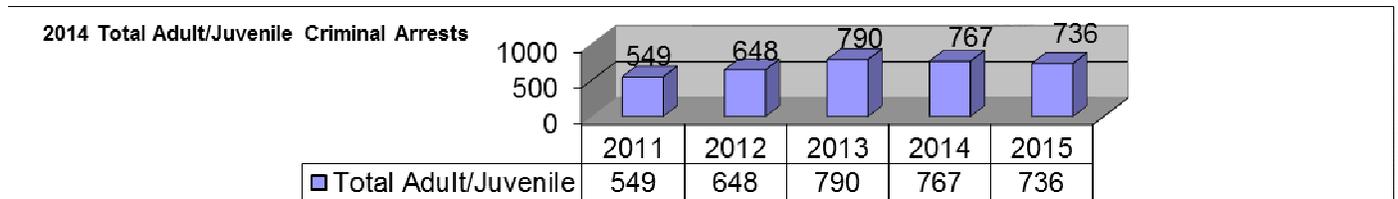


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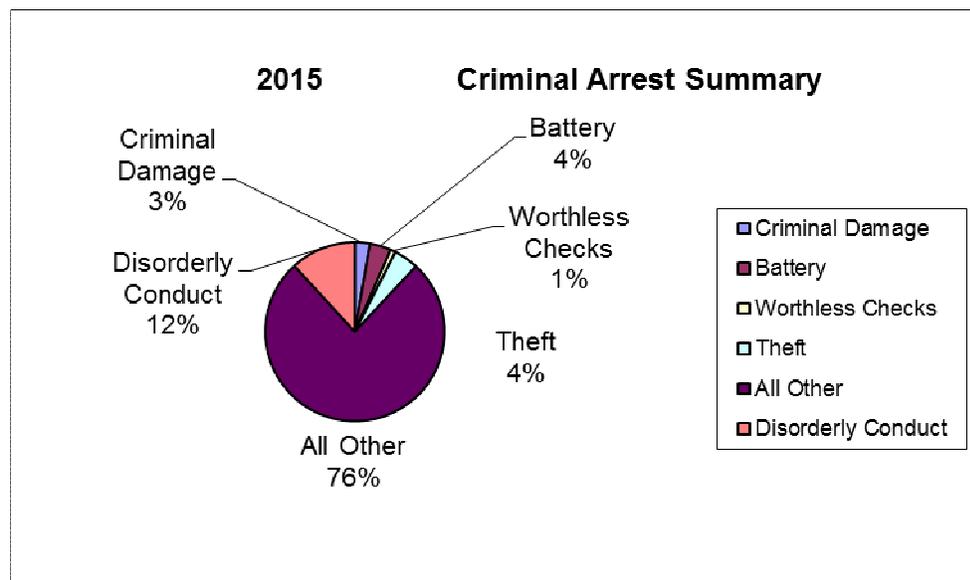


Figure 8

2015 Citation Analysis

Table 5 depicts the actual number of citations, both traffic and ordinance violations issued over the past several years. For 2015, there was a 12% decrease in citations as compared to 2014.

CITATION SUMMARY

CITATION SUMMARY				
YEAR	TRAFFIC	UNDERAGE ALCOHOL	ORDINANCE	TOTAL
2006	854	57	571	1482
2007	740	83	775	1598
2008	828	24	693	1545
2009	783	11	598	1392
2010	1249	24	385	1658
2011	1272	11	456	1739
2012	1765	45	425	2235
2013	1166	31	442	1639
2014	863	34	547	1444
2015	853	24	358	1235

Table 5

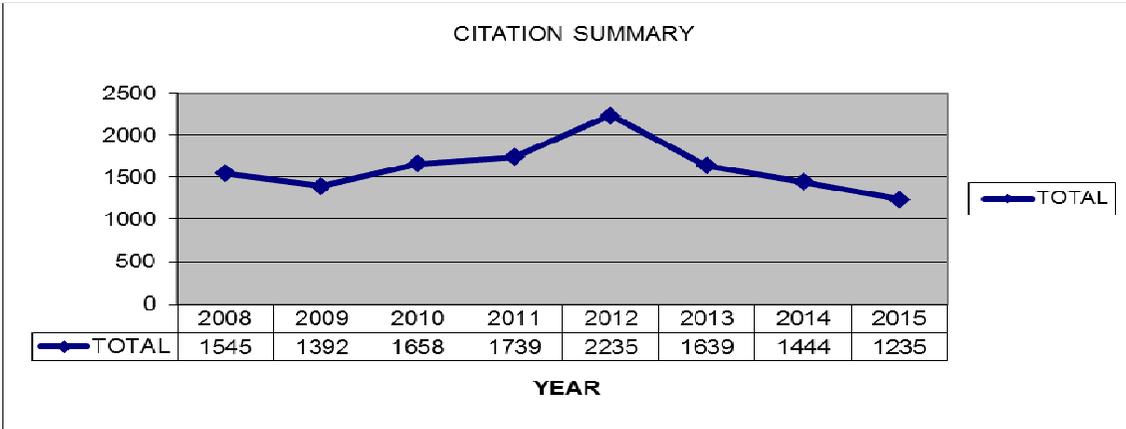


Figure 9

Figure 9 depicts the annual number of citations issued while Figure 10 depicts a percentage breakdown of all traffic citations issued in 2015.

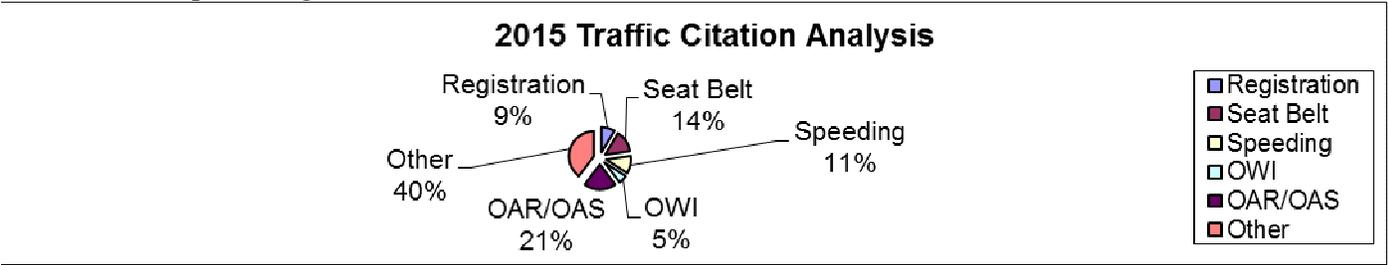


Figure10

2015 Parking Citation Analysis

Figure 11 depicts a percentage breakdown of the total number of parking citations issued in 2015, and Table 6 shows a comparison of citations issued over the past 5 year period.

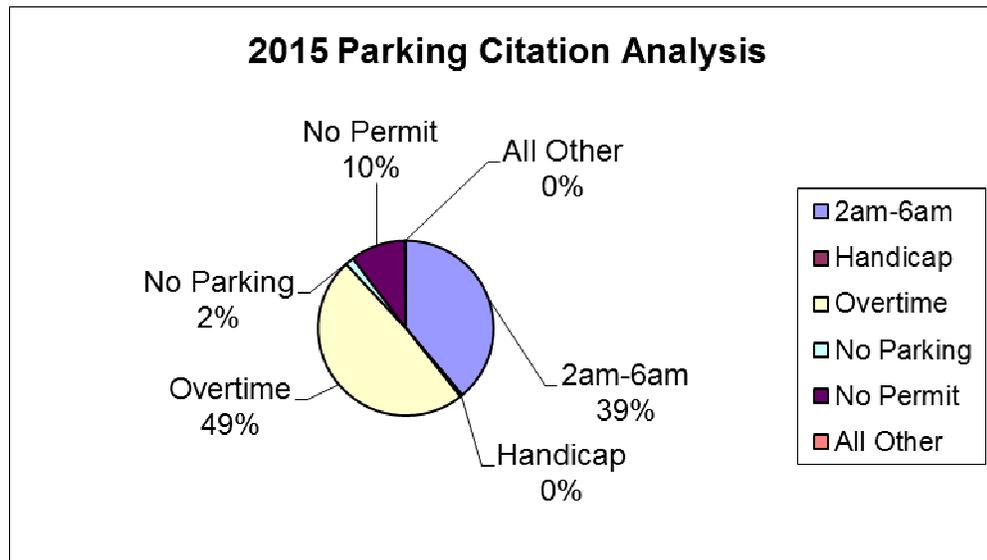


Figure 11

Parking Citation Breakdown

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
2am-6am	600	567	637	651	545
Handicap	7	12	20	23	14
Overtime	753	397	547	578	604
No Parking	25	25	51	30	24
No Permit	157	111	189	165	188
All Other	2	13	23	18	25
Total	1544	1125	1467	1465	1400

Table 6

STAFFING LEVELS

In terms of Wisconsin averages, there were 2.2 sworn officers per 1,000 residents, 1.1 civilians per 1,000 residents and 3.3 total employees per 1,000 residents, based on 2012 averages⁴. Nationwide, the average was 2.38 sworn officers per 1,000 residents⁵. The number of employees per 1,000 is related to a variety of factors including crime level, geographic coverage, size of agency, and budgetary issues.

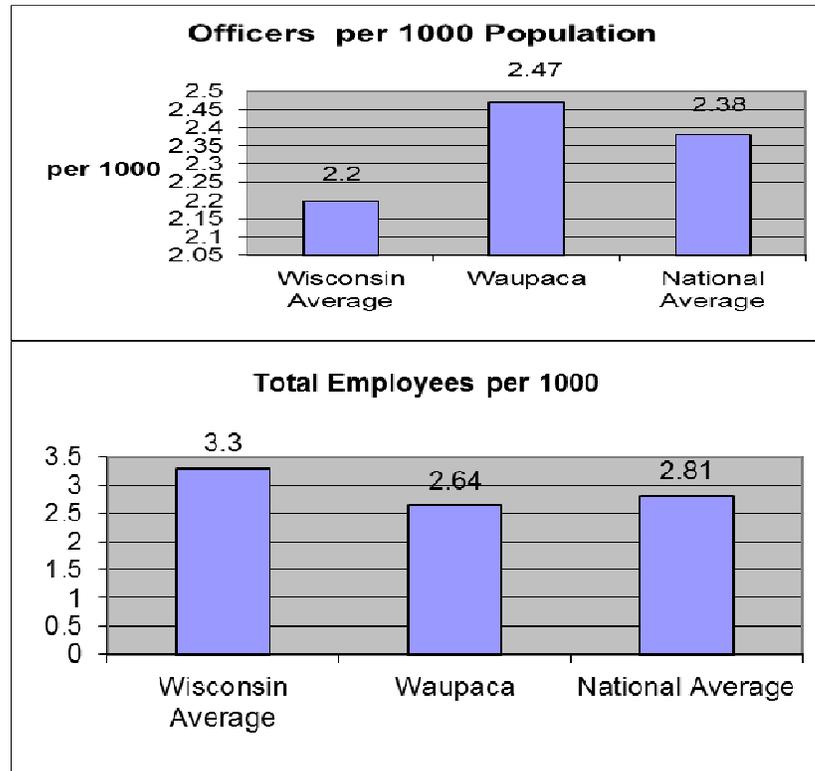


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Figure 13

As of January 15, 2016, The Waupaca Police Department employed 15 full time sworn officers, and 1 full time civilian employees. Based on current population of 6,069, Waupaca has 2.47 sworn officers per 1,000 residents, with a total of 2.64 employees per 1,000 residents, which is below the state average of 3.3 employees per 1,000 residents, and the national average of 2.81. Figure 12 depicts the National average, State of Wisconsin average, and the actual number of officers employed per 1,000 residents for the City of Waupaca, whereas figure 13 depicts total employee averages.

⁴ Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance, Law Enforcement Employees in Wisconsin 2012

. <https://wilenet.org/html/justice-programs/programs/justice-stats/library/law-enforcement-employee/2012-le-emp-in-wi.pdf>

⁵ Dept of Justice, FBI, 2011 Crime in the United States.



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Sgt. Mario Graceffa
Ofc. Nicole Jacobs
Ofc. Diana Flatoff
Ofc. Paul Benzschawel
Ofc. Brent Krueger
Ofc. Wes Zube
Ofc. Nate Nelson
Ofc. Sam Van Dinter
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