

# Racial Profiling Report | Full

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**Agency Name:** COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
**Reporting Date:** January 2015 - December 2015  
**TCOLE Agency Number:** 231203

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This Agency filed a full report

COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT has adopted a detailed written policy on racial profiling. Our policy:

- (1) clearly defines acts constituting racial profiling;

- (2) strictly prohibits peace officers employed by the COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT from engaging in racial profiling;

- (3) implements a process by which an individual may file a complaint with the COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT if the individual believes that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual;

- (4) provides public education relating to the agency's complaint process;

- (5) requires appropriate corrective action to be taken against a peace officer employed by the COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT who, after an investigation, is shown to have engaged in racial profiling in violation of the COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT policy;

- (6) requires collection of information relating to motor vehicle stops in which a citation is issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, including information relating to:

- (A) the race or ethnicity of the individual detained;

- (B) whether a search was conducted and, if so, whether the individual detained consented to the search;

- (C) whether the peace officer knew the race or ethnicity of the individual detained before detaining that individual;

- (D) whether the peace officer used physical force that resulted in bodily injury during the stop;

- (E) the location of the stop;

- (F) the reason for the stop;

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(7) requires the chief administrator of the agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, to submit an annual report of the information collected under Subdivision (6) to:

(A) the Commission on Law Enforcement; and

(B) the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency, if the agency is an agency of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state.

The COMMERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT has satisfied the statutory data audit requirements as prescribed in Article 2.133(c), Code of Criminal Procedure during the reporting period.

**Executed by: CHIEF CHRIS BASSHAM**

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**Date: 03/16/2021 10:46**

Total stops: 930

Street address or approximate location of the stop

City street: 591

US highway: 264

County road: 8

State Highway: 0

Private property or other: 67

Was race or ethnicity known prior to stop?

Yes: 54 5.81%

No: 876 94.19%

Race / Ethnicity

Alaska Native/American Indian: 1 0.11%

Asian / Pacific Islander: 21 2.26%

Black: 261 28.06%

White: 555 59.68%

Hispanic/Latino: 79 8.49%

1. Gender

Female:

Total 365

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 10 2.74% Black 111 30.41%

White 227 62.19% Hispanic/Latino 16 4.38%

Male:

Total 565

Alaska Native/American Indian 1 0.18% Asian / Pacific Islander 11 1.95% Black 150 26.55%

White 328 58.05% Hispanic/Latino 63 11.15%

## Reason for stop?

### Violation of law:

Total 54

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 3 5.56% Black 21 38.89%  
White 29 53.70% Hispanic/Latino 1 1.85%

### Pre existing knowledge:

Total 27

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0.00% Black 7 25.93%  
White 18 66.67% Hispanic/Latino 2 7.41%

### Moving traffic violation:

Total 590

Alaska Native/American Indian 1 0.17% Asian / Pacific Islander 15 2.54% Black 153 25.93%  
White 358 60.68% Hispanic/Latino 54 9.15%

### Vehicle traffic violation:

Total 259

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 3 1.16% Black 80 30.89%  
White 150 57.92% Hispanic/Latino 22 8.49%

## Was a search conducted?

### Yes:

Total 151

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 1 0.66% Black 56 37.09%  
White 83 54.97% Hispanic/Latino 11 7.28%

### No:

Total 779

Alaska Native/American Indian 1 0.13% Asian / Pacific Islander 20 2.57% Black 205 26.32%  
White 472 60.59% Hispanic/Latino 68 8.73%

## Reason for Search?

### Consent:

Total 9

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0.00% Black 2 22.22%  
White 7 77.78% Hispanic/Latino 0 0.00%

### Contraband:

Total 12

Alaska Native/American Indian 0 0.00% Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0.00% Black 6 50.00%  
White 6 50.00% Hispanic/Latino 0 0.00%

**Probable cause:****Total** 42

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>1</u>	<b>2.38%</b>	<b>Black</b> <u>18</u>	<b>42.86%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>22</u>	<b>52.38%</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>1</u>	<b>2.38%</b>		

**Inventory:****Total** 65

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Black</b> <u>20</u>	<b>30.77%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>37</u>	<b>56.92%</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>8</u>	<b>12.31%</b>		

**Incident to arrest:****Total** 23

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Black</b> <u>10</u>	<b>43.48%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>11</u>	<b>47.83%</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>2</u>	<b>8.70%</b>		

**Was Contraband discovered?****Yes:****Total** 77

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>1</u>	<b>1.30%</b>
<b>Black</b> <u>25</u>	<b>32.47%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>48</u>	<b>62.34%</b>
<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>3</u>	<b>3.90%</b>

**Did the finding result in arrest?**  
(total should equal previous column)

<b>Yes</b> <u>0</u>	<b>No</b> <u>0</u>
<b>Yes</b> <u>1</u>	<b>No</b> <u>0</u>
<b>Yes</b> <u>18</u>	<b>No</b> <u>7</u>
<b>Yes</b> <u>43</u>	<b>No</b> <u>5</u>
<b>Yes</b> <u>3</u>	<b>No</b> <u>0</u>

**No:****Total** 74

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Black</b> <u>31</u>	<b>41.89%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>35</u>	<b>47.30%</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>8</u>	<b>10.81%</b>		

**Description of contraband****Drugs:****Total** 67

<b>Alaska Native/American Indian</b> <u>0</u>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>Asian / Pacific Islander</b> <u>1</u>	<b>1.49%</b>	<b>Black</b> <u>20</u>	<b>29.85%</b>
<b>White</b> <u>44</u>	<b>65.67%</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b> <u>2</u>	<b>2.99%</b>		

**Currency:**Total 0Alaska Native/American Indian 0Asian / Pacific Islander 0Black 0White 0Hispanic/Latino 0**Weapons:**Total 1Alaska Native/American Indian 0

0.00%

Asian / Pacific Islander 0

0.00%

Black 0

0.00%

White 1

100%

Hispanic/Latino 0

0.00%

**Alcohol:**Total 7Alaska Native/American Indian 0

0.00%

Asian / Pacific Islander 0

0.00%

Black 3

42.86%

White 3

42.86%

Hispanic/Latino 1

14.29%

**Stolen property:**Total 2Alaska Native/American Indian 0

0.00%

Asian / Pacific Islander 0

0.00%

Black 2

100%

White 0

0.00%

Hispanic/Latino 0

0.00%

**Other:**Total 0Alaska Native/American Indian 0Asian / Pacific Islander 0Black 0White 0Hispanic/Latino 0**Result of the stop****Verbal warning:**Total 0Alaska Native/American Indian 0Asian / Pacific Islander 0Black 0White 0Hispanic/Latino 0**Written warning:**Total 242Alaska Native/American Indian 1

0.41%

Asian / Pacific Islander 5

2.07%

Black 53

21.90%

White 166

68.60%

Hispanic/Latino 15

6.20%

**Citation:**Total 505Alaska Native/American Indian 0

0.00%

Asian / Pacific Islander 15

2.97%

Black 141

27.92%

White 294

58.22%

Hispanic/Latino 44

8.71%

**Written warning and arrest:****Total** 1

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 0 0.00% **Black** 1 100%  
**White** 0 0.00% **Hispanic/Latino** 0 0.00%

**Citation and arrest:****Total** 31

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 0 0.00% **Black** 12 38.71%  
**White** 14 45.16% **Hispanic/Latino** 5 16.13%

**Arrest:****Total** 151

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 1 0.66% **Black** 54 35.76%  
**White** 81 53.64% **Hispanic/Latino** 15 9.93%

**Arrest based on****Violation of Penal Code:****Total** 85

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 1 1.18% **Black** 26 30.59%  
**White** 47 55.29% **Hispanic/Latino** 11 12.94%

**Violation of Traffic Law:****Total** 61

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 0 0.00% **Black** 22 36.07%  
**White** 31 50.82% **Hispanic/Latino** 8 13.11%

**Violation of City Ordinance:****Total** 0

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 **Asian / Pacific Islander** 0 **Black** 0  
**White** 0 **Hispanic/Latino** 0

**Outstanding Warrant:****Total** 37

**Alaska Native/American Indian** 0 0.00% **Asian / Pacific Islander** 0 0.00% **Black** 19 51.35%  
**White** 17 45.95% **Hispanic/Latino** 1 2.70%

# Was physical force resulting in bodily injury used during stop

Yes:

Total 0 Injury to Suspect: 0 Injury to Officer: 0 Injury To Both: 0  
Alaska Native/American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 Black 0  
White 0 Hispanic/Latino 0

No:

Total 930  
Alaska Native/American Indian 1 0.11% Asian / Pacific Islander 21 2.26% Black 261 28.06%  
White 555 59.68% Hispanic/Latino 79 8.49%

## Number of complaints of racial profiling

Total 0  
Resulted in disciplinary action 0  
Did not result in disciplinary action 0

Submitted electronically to the



The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement