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<u>Friends at the Food Bank</u>

On May 14, 2022, Trooper Matthew McCrory and Lieutenant David Ostwinkle represented the CJIS Division in volunteering for the Chesterfield Food Bank. Trooper McCrory was joined by his wife and two daughters. The distribution of donated food took place at A.M. Davis Elementary School in Chesterfield County. Numerous families were served and the operation ran smoothly, despite the intermittent rain, with the exuberant effort of Trooper McCrory's daughters. Lt. Ostwinkle donated his time volunteering in memory of his late mother, Linda Ross.

BRS

<u>AFIS Cloud Project</u>

The Virginia State Police has been working with our Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) vendor, NEC Corporation of America, Inc., to replace the current AFIS system. The Virginia State Police is excited to announce that the contract was successfully executed on May 6, 2022. The new AFIS Cloud Solution, the Multi-modal Biometric Identification System (MBIS), will be operational in the second quarter of 2023. AFIS is a mission critical system, comprising numerous software and hardware components, and includes a security infrastructure that complies with FBI and VSP requirements.

Over the past thirty years, the AFIS system has been highly customized to meet VSP's requirements. However, the outdated hardware and software complicates VSP's need to stay compliant with FBI mandates. Given the complexity of AFIS and the need to be operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, it is difficult and costly to upgrade AFIS hardware and software on VSP's traditional on-site computing architecture. Hence, the goal of the AFIS Cloud Project is to remove on-site server dependencies by migrating to a hosted solution on the Microsoft Azure Government Cloud. Moving to the Cloud environment has many advantages for VSP and agencies connecting remotely. Moving forward, agencies can expect quicker responses as MBIS will have increased matching power. Also, access to automatic updates will reduce the downtimes experienced in the past.

The AFIS Cloud Project aims to expand the overall functionality and dependability of current hardware and software. The project will improve functionality such as fingerprint matching capabilities and meet several key objectives including reducing server failures and providing continuous application updates. The project aims to expand hardware components to adhere to FBI security compliance and will address VSP's disaster recovery requirements.

VCIN

Web Browser Updates

Effective **June 15, 2022** the Internet Explorer (IE) 11 desktop application will no longer be a supported internet browser and should no longer be used to launch the OpenFox Messenger application. Please begin using an alternative supported browser, such as Microsoft Edge Chromium, Google Chrome, or Mozilla/Firefox to launch the OpenFox Messenger application.

Note: To ensure that the Messenger application receives all necessary updates, it is strongly recommended that desktop shortcuts are not used. Instead, it is recommended that you type the URL directly into the web browser or make the Messenger Launch page your default web page.
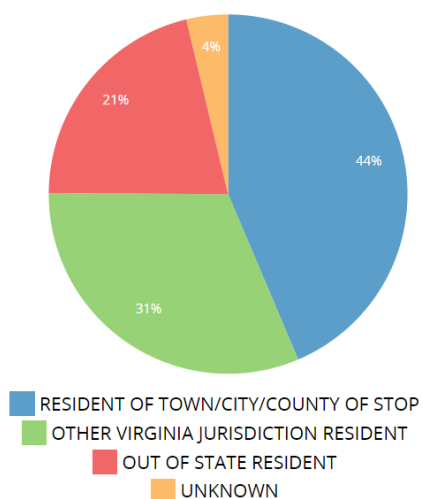
If you have any questions or concerns, or if you encounter any issues, please contact the VCIN Office at vcin.analyst@vsp.virginia.gov.

DART

Community Policing Act Data Collection

As of the date of this report, over 1.6 million stops have been collected. The analysis of the data collected will be conducted and reported by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

Effective July 1, 2022, the residency of the person involved will be required to be collected. It is currently optional. Although not yet required, 80 agencies have begun collecting residency data for their stops. Based on the data provided by agencies already reporting residency, over 20 percent of people stopped have an out-of-state residence. One out of three people stopped are Virginia residents stopped outside of their home jurisdiction.

RESIDENT OF TOWN/CITY/COUNTY OF STOP
OTHER VIRGINIA JURISDICTION RESIDENT
OUT OF STATE RESIDENT
UNKNOWN

Click HERE for the Virginia Open Data Portal for Community Policing Act Data Collection

Crime In Virginia 2021

The "2021 Crime in Virginia" annual report was released **June 29, 2022**. The current, as well as previous reports, may be viewed on the State Police website at Data Analysis and Reporting Team (DART) - Virginia State Police. This detailed document provides rates and occurrences of crimes committed in towns, cities, and counties across the Commonwealth. Data is also publicly available via the Virginia Crime Data Online website.
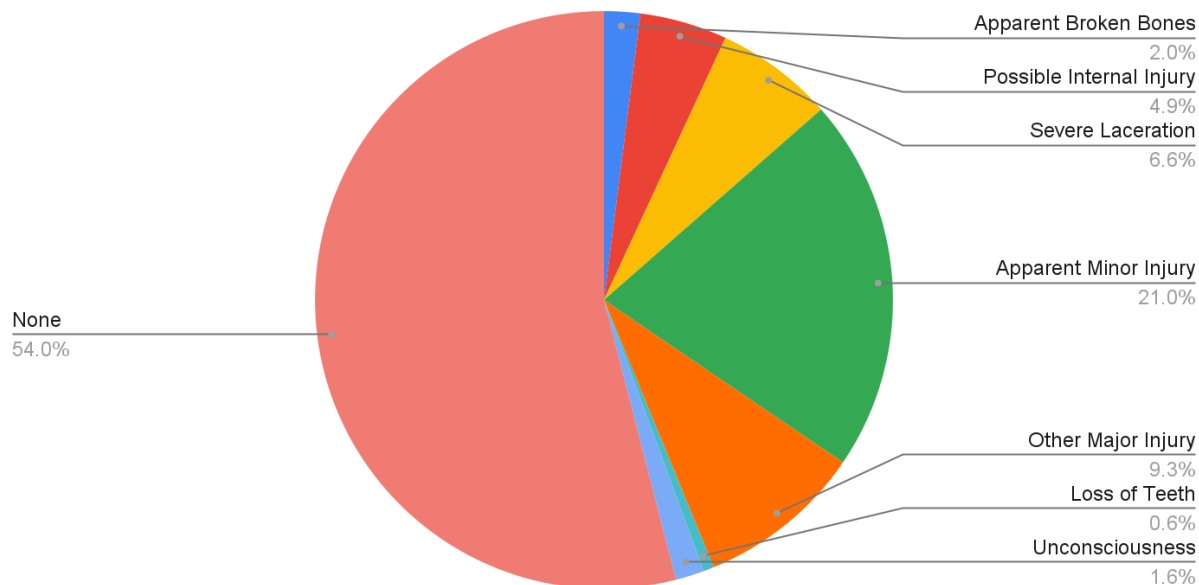
Violent Crime Counts

Murder	Rape (FBI Definition)	Aggravated Assault	Robbery
562	2,696	13,274	2,929

Crime counts are measured as the number of victims for the crimes listed above. The crime rate is based on crime counts per 100,000 population.

Injuries as a result of certain Violent Crime

Murder does not have an injury associated, as death is the result. For more information concerning violent crime, please visit the full Crime In Virginia 2021 report.

(up to 3 may be listed per crime)

Apparent Broken Bones 2.0%
Possible Internal Injury 4.9%
Severe Laceration 6.6%
Apparent Minor Injury 21.0%
None 54.0%
Other Major Injury 9.3%
Loss of Teeth 0.6%
Unconsciousness 1.6%

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