



Houston Police Department

Operational Summary

February 2014

Report Dates: February 1, 2014 to February 28, 2014

The Badge Means We Care

The mission of the Houston Police Department is to enhance the quality of life in the city of Houston by working cooperatively with the public to prevent crime, enforce the law, preserve the peace, and provide a safe environment.

Classified Employees¹

	Jan 13	Jan 14
Class A	5,308	5,337
Class C	2	2
TOTAL	5,310	5,339
Population	2,119,011	2,167,816
Rate per 1,000	2.50	2.50

Crime Statistics² - Part I Crime

	YTD 13	YTD 14	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Murder	33	34	1	3.0%
Forcible Rape	98	131	33	33.7%
Robbery	1,657	1,723	66	4.0%
Aggravated Assault	1,575	1,439	-136	-8.6%
VIOLENT CRIME	3,363	3,327	-36	-1.1%
Burglary	4,093	3,488	-605	-14.8%
Theft	11,587	11,956	369	3.2%
Auto Theft	2,155	2,283	128	5.9%
NON-VIOLENT CRIME	17,835	17,727	-108	-0.6%
TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES	21,198	21,054	-144	-0.68%

Commendations³

	YTD 13	YTD 14	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Citizen	66	93	27	40.9%
Department	176	268	92	52.3%
TOTAL	242	361	119	49.2%

Complaints⁴

	YTD 13	YTD 14	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Internal Complaints	152	133	-19	-12.5%
External Complaints	41	32	-9	-22.0%
TOTAL	193	165	-28	-14.5%
New Cases	61	33	-28	-45.9%

Response Times⁵

	YTD 13	YTD 14	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Priority 1	4.9	4.9	0.0	0.0%
Priority 2	9.9	9.7	-0.2	-2.0%
Priority 3	21.8	22.5	0.7	3.2%
Priority 4	33.5	33.2	-0.3	-0.9%
AVERAGE	17.5	17.6	0.1	0.3%

Calls for Service⁵

	YTD 13	YTD 14	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Priority 1	5,081	5,108	27	0.5%
Priority 2	27,840	27,826	-14	-0.1%
Priority 3	33,964	39,057	5,093	15.0%
Priority 4	33,338	31,975	-1,363	-4.1%
All Other codes	75,585	71,531	-4,054	-5.4%
TOTAL	175,808	175,497	-311	-0.2%

HPD and the Community: A Sampling of Notables⁶

Aiming a Laser at an Aircraft is a Federal Crime

February 11, 2014

HPD Chief McClellnd joined the FBI and other local agencies to raise awareness that pointing lasers at planes is a Federal crime. HPD helicopter pilots have experienced laser strikes with serious results. One pilot suffered a temporary loss of sight. Penalties can be up to \$11K per incident. Houston ranks second in the number of laser strikes to airplanes in the nation.



International Space Station

February 25, 2014

A part of HPD is up in the International Space Station. A flag representing the South Central Patrol Station and an HPD patch with the words "Space City, USA," are orbiting Earth thanks to Astronaut Rick Mastracchio. His son is HPD Officer Michael Mastracchio. When the flag makes it back down to Earth, it will be framed and hung at the South Central Patrol Station. Thank you to NASA, Astronaut Rick Mastracchio, and the rest of the crew of the ISS.



¹ Human Resources WPABH report. Class B Officers were converted to Class A. ² UCR data reported to the FBI. UCR numbers are not comparable to previous years due to the broadening of the definition of Forcible Rape. ³ Human Resource Committee Monthly Report. ⁴ Complaints compiled from all issue classifications, department wide. Statistics represent number of employees involved in each allegation category. Multiple complaints may make up a single allegation. Some complaints may be modified upon conclusion of open investigations. ⁵ CFS Codes were changed in May 2012. Numbers differ from other published numbers due to more accurate filtering of CFS numbers.