

# HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 2018 Annual Racial Profiling Report



### RACIAL PROFILING

The Houston Police Department (HPD) prohibits the practice of racial profiling and has established policies, provided training to its officers, and instituted a process to monitor traffic stops.

### STATISTICS SUMMARY

HPD conducted 355,132 traffic stops in 2018, 13.7% more stops than the previous year. Traffic stops were most often a result of moving traffic violations (267,239) and searches (25,456) were conducted in 7.1% of all stops. Contraband (6,374) was found in 25.0% of the time. In all, HPD effected 15,301 arrests, issued 228,371 tickets, and 115,354 warnings as a result of traffic stops in 2018. One racial profiling complaint was filed against HPD during the reporting period, but the complaint was unfounded after sufficient evidence was documented to determine the allegation was untrue.

### FILING COMPLAINTS

Discrimination in any form, including racial profiling, is strictly prohibited and the department will take immediate and appropriate action to investigate allegations of discrimination. Any person who believes he or she has been stopped, searched, or inappropriately ticketed or arrested based on racial, ethnic or national origin profiling should file a complaint.

### HOUSTON DEMOGRAPHICS COMPARISON

	Houston	2018 Racial Profiling
<b>Population</b>	<b>2,328,419</b>	<b>355,132</b>
Asian/Pacific Islander	6%	4%
Black	12%	36%
Hispanic	18%	14%
White	62%	45%
Unknown/Other	2%	1%
<b>TOTAL PERCENTAGE</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

### TRAFFIC STOPS BY RACE & GENDER

	Female	Male	Total	% of Total
Alaskan/Native American	159	444	603	0.2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	4,861	10,572	15,433	4.3%
Black	44,462	83,628	128,090	36.1%
Hispanic	11,953	38,845	50,798	14.3%
White	51,869	104,295	156,164	44.0%
Unknown/Other	1,417	2,627	4,044	1.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114,721</b>	<b>240,411</b>	<b>355,132</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### 2017 COMPARISON

Total	% Change
502	20.1%
12,279	25.7%
110,619	15.8%
53,110	-4.4%
132,766	17.6%
3,009	34.4%
<b>312,285</b>	<b>13.7%</b>

### REASON FOR TRAFFIC STOP

	Moving Traffic Violation	Pre-Existing Knowledge	Vehicle Traffic Violation	Violation of Law (non-traffic)	Total	% of Total
Alaskan/Native American	447	4	147	5	603	0.2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	13,547	62	1,786	38	15,433	4.3%
Black	86,431	2,278	38,027	1,354	128,090	36.1%
Hispanic	27,222	1,360	20,364	1,852	50,798	14.3%
White	135,649	937	18,903	675	156,164	44.0%
Unknown/Other	3,943	4	94	3	4,044	1.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>267,239</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>79,321</b>	<b>3,927</b>	<b>355,132</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### REASON FOR SEARCH

	Probable Cause	Incident to Arrest	Consent	Inventory	Contraband in Plain View	Total
Alaskan/Native American	8	11	9	2	3	33
Asian/Pacific Islander	113	88	93	36	12	342
Black	6,271	3,585	4,577	776	223	15,432
Hispanic	1,364	1,584	1,126	416	40	4,530
White	1,578	1,508	1,377	370	278	5,111
Unknown/Other	3	1	1	2	1	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,337</b>	<b>6,777</b>	<b>7,183</b>	<b>1,602</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>25,456</b>

**STOPS IN WHICH PHYSICAL FORCE RESULTED IN BODILY INJURY: 1,891 (0.5%)**