

# HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 2022 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 267,163 traffic stops in 2022, 22.95% more stops than the previous year. Traffic stops were most often a result of moving traffic violations (170,893) and searches (19,157) were conducted in 7.2% of all stops. Contraband (6,963) was found 36.4% of the time. In all, HPD effected 12,705 arrests, issued 126,297 tickets, and 132,213 warnings as a result of traffic stops in 2022. Four (4) racial profiling complaints were filed against HPD during the reporting period. Of the complaints, three (3) were unfounded and one (1) is still pending investigation.

### 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*	2022 Racial Profiling
<b>Population</b>	<b>2,295,982</b>	<b>267,163</b>
Asian/Pacific Islander	7%	4%
Black	22%	36%
Hispanic	45%	31%
White	25%	28%
Unknown/Other	1%	1%
<b>TOTAL PERCENTAGE</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

### TRAFFIC STOPS BY RACE & GENDER

	Female	Male	Total	% of Total
Alaskan/Native American	235	722	957	0.36%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,250	7,612	10,862	4.07%
Black	31,956	63,794	95,750	35.84%
Hispanic	21,456	60,686	82,142	30.75%
White	24,414	49,704	74,118	27.74%
Unknown/Other	1,184	2,150	3,334	1.25%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>82,495</b>	<b>184,668</b>	<b>267,163</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### 2021 COMPARISON

Total	% Change
531	80.23%
8,781	23.70%
81,917	16.89%
67,987	20.82%
53,943	37.40%
4,129	-19.25%
<b>217,288</b>	<b>22.95%</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	656	18	265	18	957	0.36%
Asian/Pacific Islander	8,625	46	2,012	179	10,862	4.07%
Black	56,769	1,437	35,383	2,161	95,750	35.84%
Hispanic	50,383	1,660	26,429	3,670	82,142	30.75%
White	51,150	858	20,998	1,112	74,118	27.74%
Unknown/Other	3,310	0	23	1	3,334	1.25%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>170,893</b>	<b>4,019</b>	<b>85,110</b>	<b>7,141</b>	<b>267,163</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### REASON FOR SEARCH

	Probable Cause	Incident to Arrest	Consent	Inventory	Contraband in Plain View	Total
Alaskan/Native American	9	10	9	4	0	32
Asian/Pacific Islander	57	62	54	23	1	197
Black	4,443	2,384	3,422	703	193	11,145
Hispanic	1,190	1,304	913	401	63	3,871
White	1,157	1,161	1,210	334	49	3,911
Unknown/Other	0	1	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,856</b>	<b>4,922</b>	<b>5,608</b>	<b>1,465</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>19,157</b>

## RESULT OF TRAFFIC STOP

	Alaskan/Native American	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic	White	Unknown/Other	Total	% of Total
<b>Verbal Warning</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>4,419</b>	<b>54,539</b>	<b>36,360</b>	<b>36,417</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>132,213</b>	<b>49.49%</b>
<b>Citation</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>6,260</b>	<b>34,932</b>	<b>42,788</b>	<b>34,492</b>	<b>3,305</b>	<b>122,245</b>	<b>45.75%</b>
Violation of Penal Code	0	1	0	3	3	0	7	0.01%
Violation of Traffic Law	454	6,209	34,056	42,109	33,889	3,305	120,022	44.91%
Violation of City Ordinance	14	50	868	669	599	0	2,200	0.82%
Outstanding Warrant	0	0	8	7	1	0	16	0.01%
<b>Arrested</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>4,504</b>	<b>2,015</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,653</b>	<b>3.24%</b>
Violation of Penal Code	10	81	2,886	1,403	1,418	0	5,798	2.17%
Violation of Traffic Law	1	3	158	141	107	0	410	0.15%
Violation of City Ordinance	2	0	58	42	30	0	132	0.05%
Outstanding Warrant	10	17	1,402	429	455	0	2,313	0.87%
<b>Citation and Arrest</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>1,775</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>1.52%</b>
Violation of Penal Code	4	17	640	243	287	0	1,191	0.45%
Violation of Traffic Law	11	51	771	527	686	0	2,046	0.77%
Violation of City Ordinance	1	9	211	141	163	0	525	0.20%
Outstanding Warrant	1	5	153	68	63	0	290	0.11%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>10,862</b>	<b>95,750</b>	<b>82,142</b>	<b>74,118</b>	<b>3,334</b>	<b>267,163</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## HIGHLIGHTS

**2.05%**

Stops in which race or ethnicity was known prior to stop

**36.3%**

Stops in which contraband was located during a search

**1.08%**

Stops in which physical force resulted in bodily injury