

# Mobile Police Department Annual Report 2010



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Dear Fellow Citizens,

I am pleased to present the 2010 Annual Report to the citizens of Mobile.

First, I would like to acknowledge the men and women of the Mobile Police Department for their continued dedication and impeccable job performance. I also want to thank the citizens of Mobile for the continued support of your police officers.

Regarding crime prevention and statistics, 2010 saw a decrease in violent crime. The proactive behavior of our officers as well as the vigilance of our Community Action Groups (CAG) should be credited, in part, for this decrease. Our precinct Captains continue to work with area CAG members to create safer communities within our city. I enjoy hearing about the growing strength of the relationship between the department and the community.

Throughout this report, you will see information about Mobile Police Department's personnel, Internal Affairs, crime statistics, clearance rates and grant funding. I believe this information is vital to the citizens of Mobile as you can be fully informed of issues such as funding and safety.

In the coming year, I hope to provide Mobilians a safe environment in which to work and live. To accomplish this goal, the department will continue to research and apply for funds that will deliver technology and equipment to police officers. This will allow for better efficiency and effectiveness in our patrols.

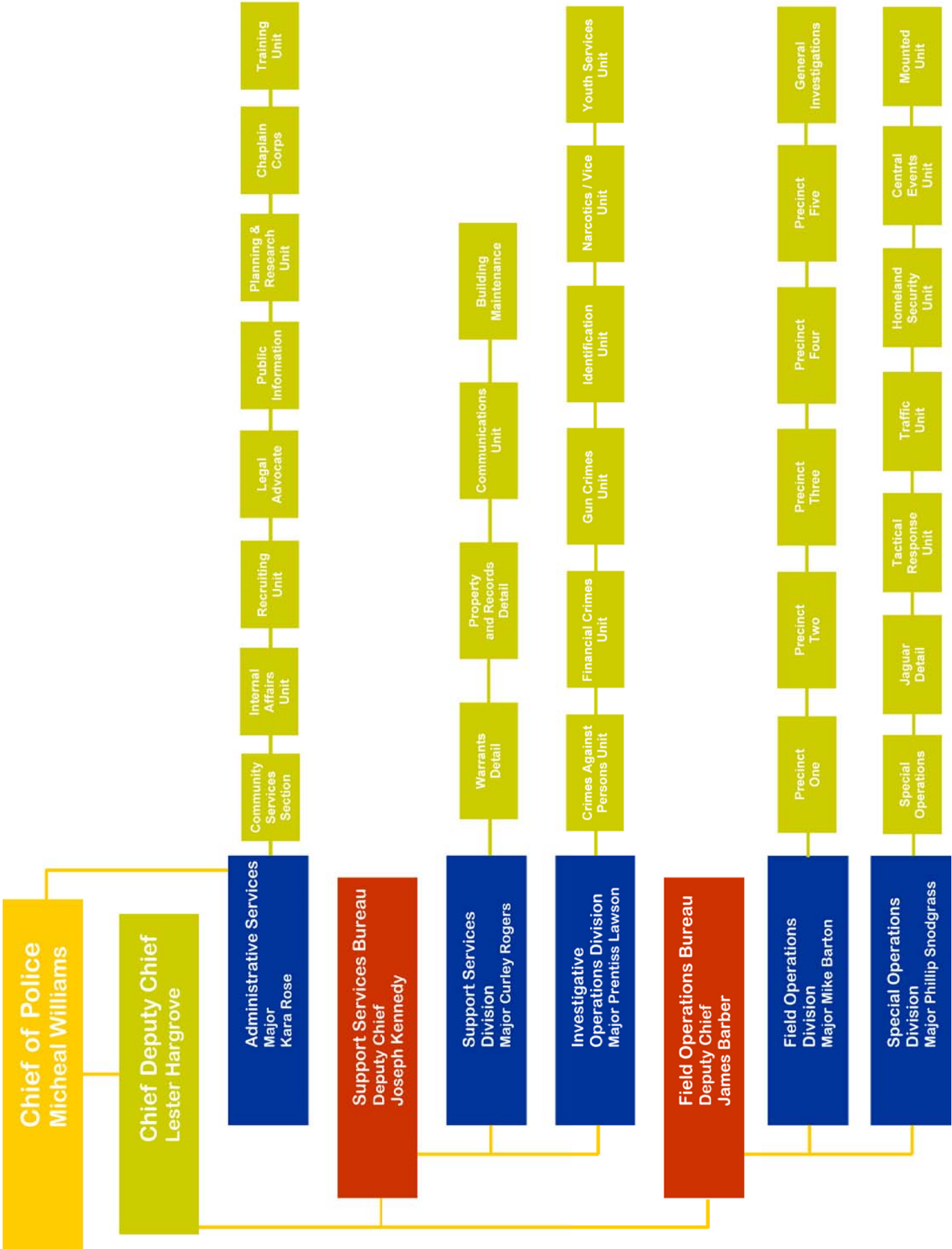
As always, I am honored to serve as your Chief of Police and I fully believe we can honor our mission to "improve the quality of life for all citizens through community partnerships and crime prevention."

Humbly Yours,



Chief Micheal T. Williams



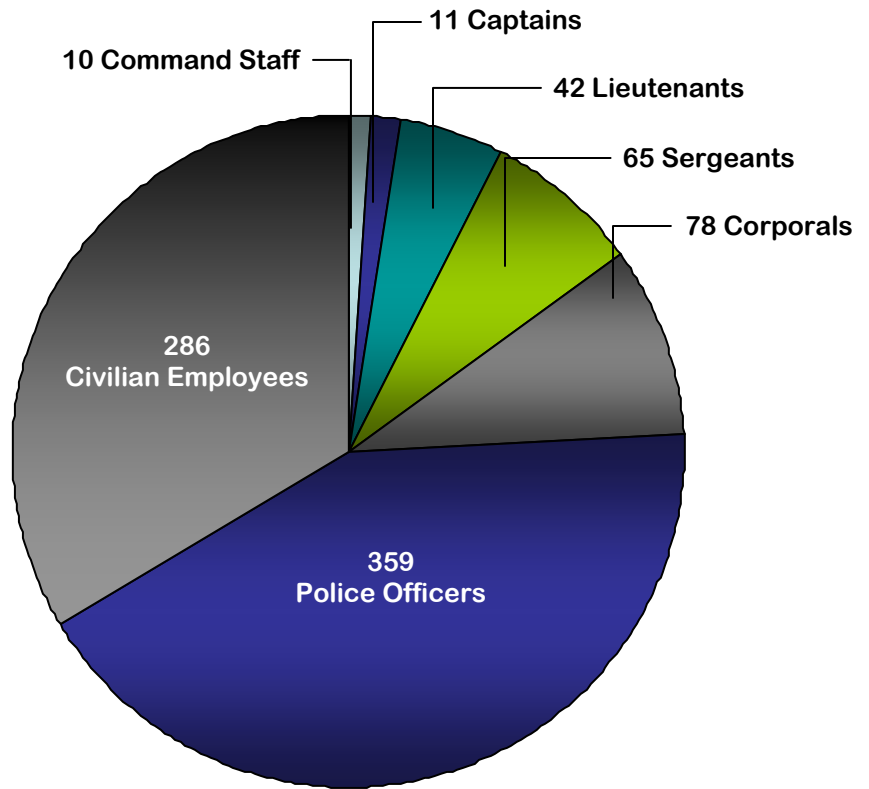


# Department Information

## Personnel & Staffing

### 2010 Personnel

**851**  
Total Positions



### Field Operations

Precinct	# of Beats	Civilians	Officers
One	10	2	63
Two	12	3	74
Three	10	4	76
Four	7	3	55
Five	7	2	59
<b>Total</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>327</b>

### Special Operations

Division	Civilians	Officers
Central Events	5	28
Homeland Security	0	2
Jaguar Detail	0	15
Mounted Unit	0	7
Tactical Response Unit	0	16
Traffic Unit	101	44
<b>Total</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>112</b>

### Investigative Operations

Division	Civilians	Officers
Business Services	4	13
Crimes Against Persons	4	29
Identification Unit	7	9
Narcotics/Vice Unit	3	25
Youth Services Unit	25	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>91</b>

### Support Services

Division	Civilians	Officers
Building Maintenance	3	0
Communications Unit	55	1
Records Detail	39	2
Warrants Detail	2	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>11</b>

### Administrative Services

Division	Civilians	Officers
Chaplin Corps	1	0
Community Services	3	6
Internal Affairs	2	6
Legal Advocate	1	0
Planning & Research	7	8
Public Information	1	1
Recruiting Unit	0	1
Training Unit	9	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>

## Internal Affairs

There were 40 citizens' complaints filed during 2010, which involved 54 members/employees and cited 91 areas of concern. Of the 40 complaints, one was assigned to the Internal Affairs Unit for investigation. The remaining 39 complaints were investigated by their respective commands, the dispositions of which are represented in the following tables and figures:

Disposition	Members
Proper Conduct	20
Improper Conduct	5
Insufficient Evidence	3
Unfounded	21
Withdrawn	1
Refused	0
Pending	4
No action taken	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>

Table One

### Citizen Complaints 2010

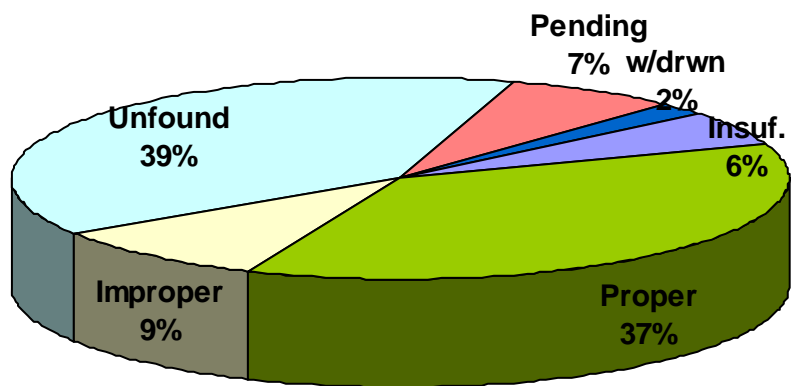


Figure One

# Internal Affairs

Citizens' complaints received during the year 2010 were categorized into areas of concern. Some inquires noted more than one area of concern as reflected in Table Two and Figure Two.

Areas of Concern

Area	Complaints	Improper	Proper	W/drawn	Unfound	Insuff.	Pending	No action
Force	15	0	6	0	7	0	2	0
Arrest	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	0
Entry	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Search	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
Harassment	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Demeanor	34	4	14	1	12	2	1	0
Procedure	16	3	6	1	5	1	0	0
Service	8	0	3	0	2	2	1	0
Property	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

Table Two

Areas of Concern 2010

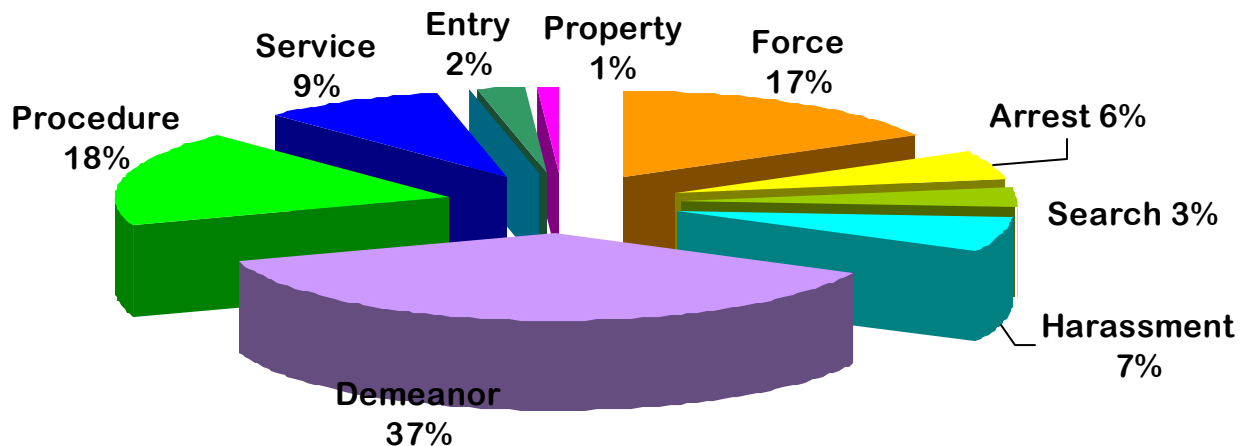


Figure Two

# Crime Statistics

## Major Crimes

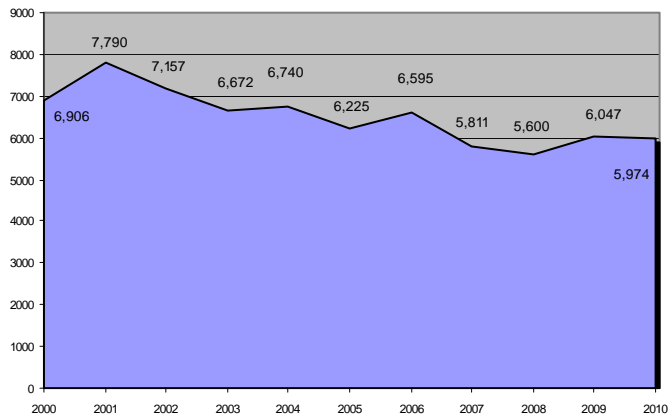
### 2010 Part I Crime Comparison

Major Crimes	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total 2010	Total 2009	% chng In 2010 from 2009
Homicide	20	42	41	24	29	35	34	40	42	24	25	24	4.2%
Rape	54	97	96	114	87	90	83	23	27	34	59	34	73.5%
Robbery	895	831	771	703	672	623	685	750	883	854	654	854	-23.4%
Aggravated Assault	521	528	508	427	396	417	365	333	261	1,075	964	1,075	-10.3%
Burglary	3,607	4,634	3,916	3,908	4,145	3,870	3,662	3,650	3,304	3,708	3,880	3,708	4.6%
Larceny	10,996	12,256	11,424	10,732	10,659	9,646	10,857	9,361	9,471	9,439	9,280	9,439	-1.7%
Vehicle Theft	1,516	1,476	1,565	1,172	1,335	1,316	1,330	1,125	1,077	946	1,028	946	8.7%
Total Crime	17,609	19,864	18,321	17,080	17,323	15,997	17,016	15,282	15,065	16,080	15,890	16,080	-1.2%
Percent + or -	-1%	13%	-8%	-7%	1%	-7.7%	6.4%	-10.2%	-1.4%	6.8%	-1.2%		

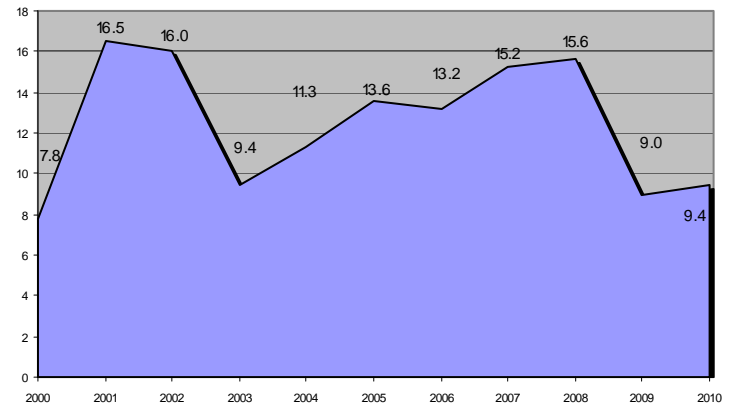
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total 2010
Part I Crimes per 1,000	69.1	77.9	71.7	66.7	67.5	62.2	66.1	58.1	55.9	60.4	59.7
Violent Crimes Per 1,000	5.8	5.9	5.5	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.5	7.5	6.4

	2009	2010
Violent Crime	1,987	1,702 -14.3%

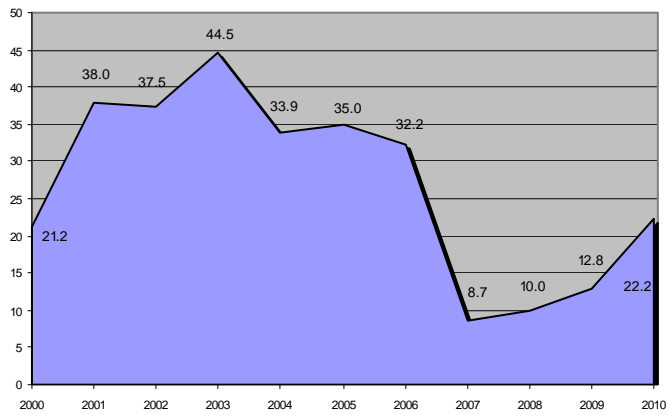
Part I Crimes per 100,000 persons



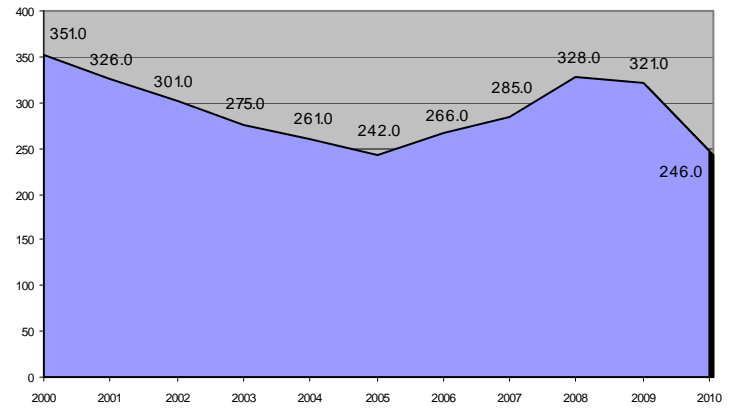
Homicides per 100,000 persons



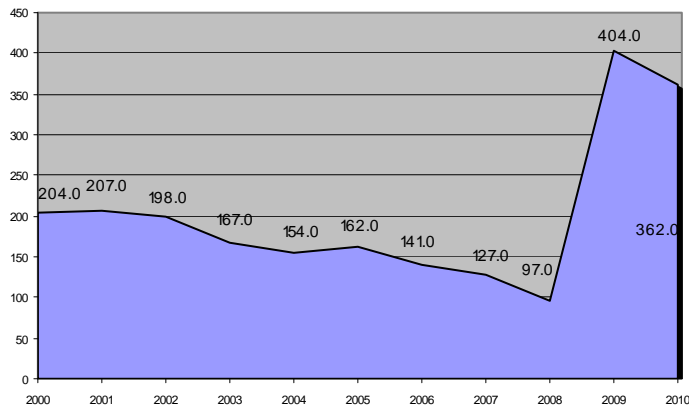
Rapes per 100,000 persons



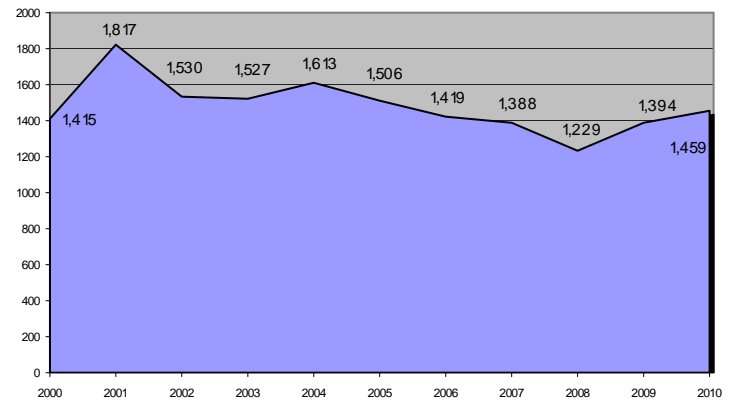
Robberies per 100,000 persons



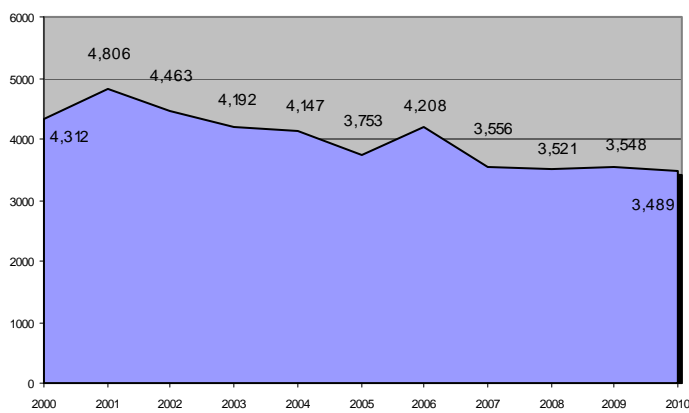
Aggravated Assaults per 100,000 persons



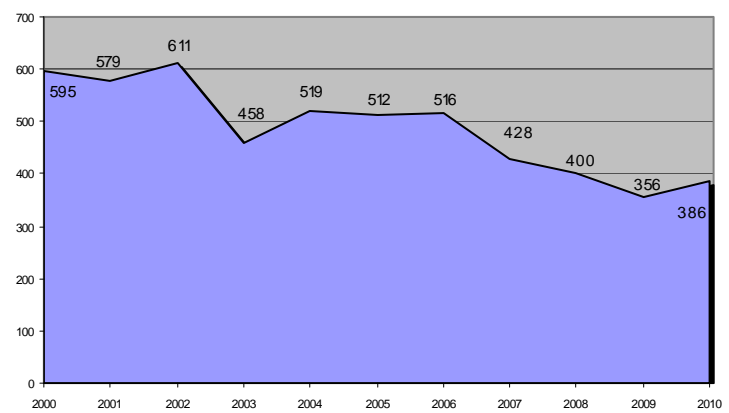
Burglaries per 100,000 persons



Larcenies per 100,000 persons

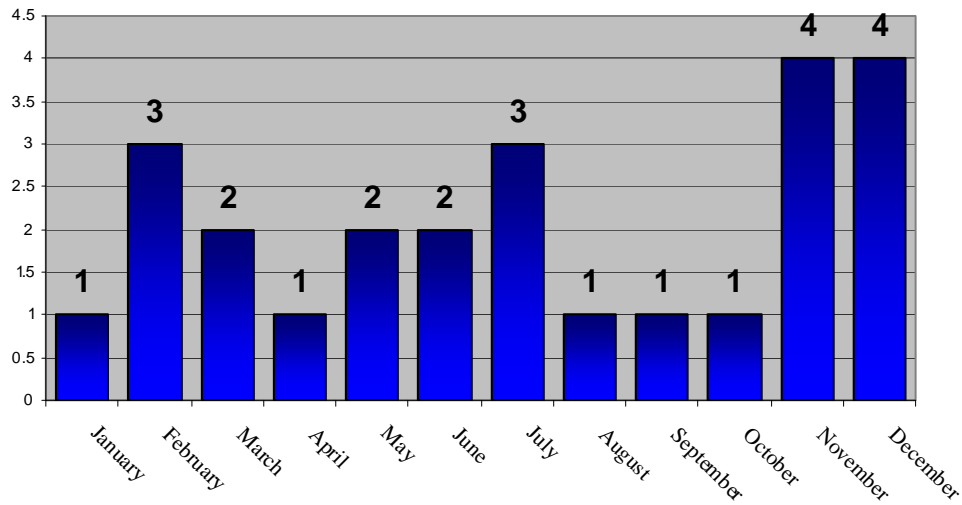


Vehicle Thefts per 100,000 persons



# Homicide Analysis

## Homicides by Month

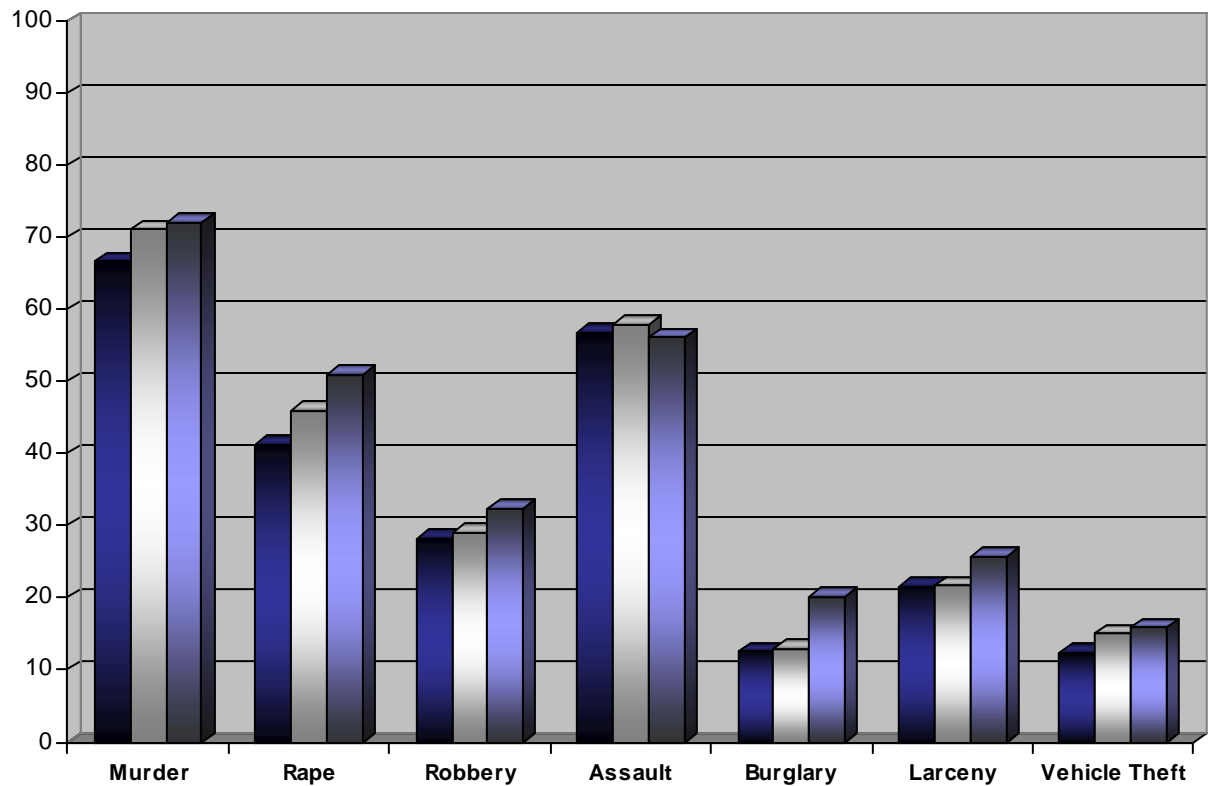


## Clearance Rate

*The homicide clearance rate has exceeded 65% each of the last five years, exceeding 72% in 2009 and 2010. The clearance rate continues to remain higher than the national average.*

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Number of Homicides	34	40	42	24	25
MPD Clearance Rate	65.0%	88.0%	81.0%	75.0%	72.0%
Regional Clearance Rate	65.9%	65.3%	68%	71.1%	
National Clearance Rate	60.7%	61.2%	63.6%	66.6%	

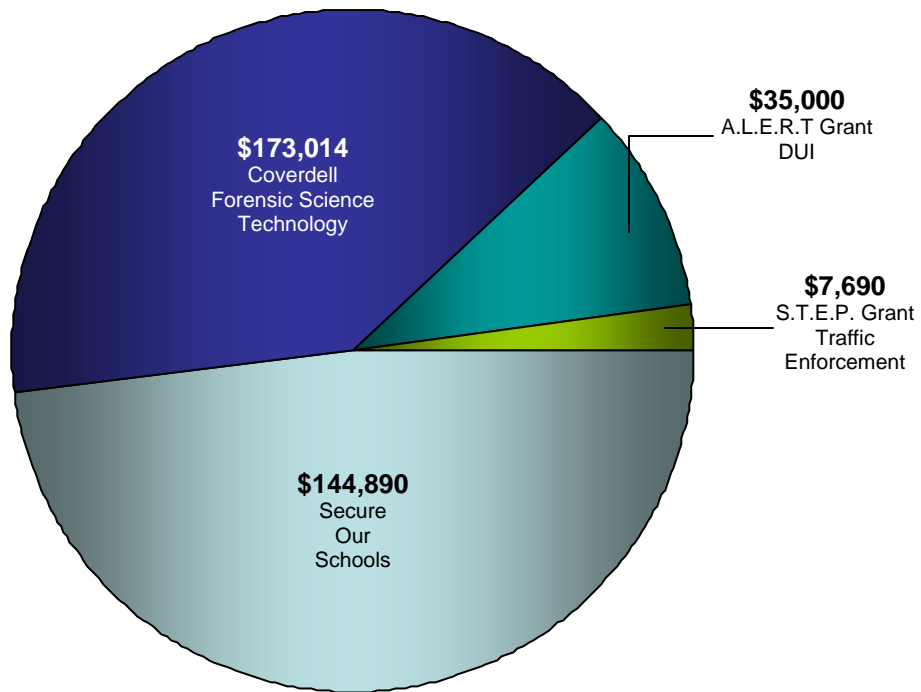
# UCR Clearance Rates



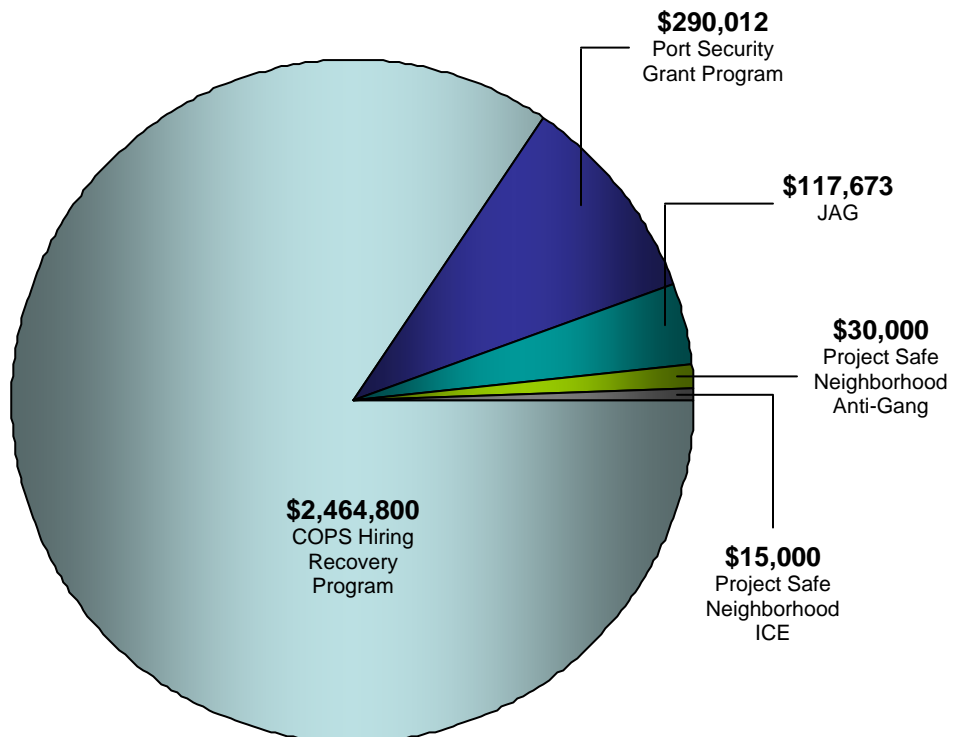
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> <b>National 2009</b>	66.6%	41.2%	28.2%	56.8%	12.5%	21.5%	12.4%
<span style="color: lightblue;">■</span> <b>South 2009</b>	71.1%	46.0%	29.0%	57.9%	13.0%	21.7%	15.0%
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> <b>MPD 2010</b>	72.0%	50.9%	32.3%	56.1%	20.2%	25.8%	15.9%

## 2010 Grants

Grants Awarded in 2010



Grants Previously  
Awarded for Use in 2010





Micheel T. Williams is Mobile Mayor Sam Jones' choice to be the city's new police chief, the mayor announced in a press conference on Feb. 18, 2010.

In 2010, construction began on the City of Mobile Public Safety Complex which houses MPD's 5th Precinct as well as a fire station. The Complex opened in March 2011.



During Mobile's annual Mardi Gras celebrations, police officers patrol the city's downtown in a variety of ways. Citizens enjoy seeing Mobile Police Department's Mounted Unit in Bienville Square.

Mobile Police Academy Graduation  
May 2010



Members of Mobile Police Department participate in the 2010 Torch Run, a benefit for Special Olympics.



Members of the 1st Precinct FAST Unit donated their time to build a ramp for an elderly couple living in the precinct.



A Mobile Police diver jumps into the Mobile River.

In late 2010, Mobile Police and other agencies searched for and found the bodies of 3-year-old Jonathan Chase Deblase and his sister, 5-year-old Natalie Alexis Deblase. The children's father and stepmother are awaiting trial for their murders. The case made national media when the children were reported missing and MPD suspected foul play.



An anonymous donor gave MPD two mini horses, replacing two that were killed earlier in the year.

Mobile Police Department's Motors Division maintain flow of the GoDaddy.com Bowl parade.





Officers work crowd-control during Mobile's annual music festival, BayFest



Mobile Police play an integral part in keeping Mobile's annual Mardi Gras celebrations safe.



Officers patrol Mobile's downtown entertainment district on foot during the holiday season.



MPD utilizes a mobile Command Center for a major drug bust.

Chief Williams participates in the Muscular Dystrophy Association's Lock Up fundraiser.



## 2010 Retirees

	Start Date	Retirement Date
Comm. Officer Frances Agnew	March 16, 1974	October 1, 2010
Lt. Johnny Ledger	July 11, 1983	June 1, 2010
Officer Charles Mayer	July 28, 1990	August 5, 2010

## 2010 Deceased

	Date of Death	Position
Frances P. Barrington	January 30, 2010	Secretary
Floyd Burch	March 24, 2010	Corporal
Amy Byrne	July 21, 2010	School Traffic Officer
Walter Grissett	June 30, 2010	Municipal Court Officer
James Huey	June 29, 2010	Sergeant
Max Mahathy	December 16, 2010	Officer
G. Francis McDonald	January 11, 2010	Sergeant
Gloria Walley	March 15, 2010	Secretary III
Alpha Walther	May 7, 2010	Captain
John Williams	November 2, 2010	Captain

## 2010 Award Recipients

*Awards received for work performed in 2009*

### Officer of the Year

Corporal Donald Pears

### Civilian of the Year

Crime Scene Specialist Ronnie Myers

### Excellent Police Duty

Officer Marjo Agee  
Officer Carl Brown  
Sergeant Paul Check  
Officer Damian Colvin  
Officer William Cowart  
Corporal Michael Ellzey  
Officer Robert Hahlen  
Officer LaCarla Jackson  
Officer Mark Johnson  
Officer Theodore Johnson

Officer Lee Laffitte  
Corporal Jonathan Lee  
Officer Daniel Moody  
Officer Timothy Moore  
Officer Dennis Owens  
Officer Patrick Sanders  
Officer Tilford Sanders  
Officer Ericka Stuart  
Corporal Thomas Lane Whittington

### Combat Cross

Officer Walter Bradley  
Officer Joseph Chavis  
Officer Emanuel Dotch  
Corporal Michael Ellzey  
Officer Christopher Giattina  
Officer Bristol Hines  
Officer Bradley Latham  
Officer Christopher Moye  
Corporal Michael Shavers  
Officer Benjamin Towarnycky

### Chief's Commendation

Officer Scott L. Davis  
Lieutenant Roy Hodge  
Officer Michael Irby  
Officer Charles Koger  
Officer Shonee Mingo  
Officer Larry Pitts  
Officer John Singletary  
Officer Joanne Watson  
Officer James White

### Medal of Valor (Posthumously)

Officer Brandon Sigler

### Wounded in Service

Officer Christopher Moye

### Life Saving

Officer Admire Gant  
Officer Matthew Peak

### Outstanding Civilian Service

OAI Martha Barton  
Rec. Spec. Wanda Demattei  
Rec. Spec. Colin O'Shea  
OAI Quazell Young

### Civilian Assistance Award

Ms. Tiffany Murray  
Ms. Loraine Washington

## 2010 Award Recipients

*Awards received for work performed in 2009*

### Chief's Unit Award

#### Central Events Unit

Lieutenant Roy Hodge  
Sergeant Brian Reeher  
Corporal James Daniel  
Corporal Matthew James  
Corporal Chad Pezent  
Corporal Larry Toland  
Officer Gregory Arrington  
Officer Edgar Baker  
Officer Johnny Bouler  
Officer Vincent Chestant  
Officer James Estes  
Officer Demetric Evans

Officer Jason Fraley  
Officer D'Alo Green  
Officer Joshua Himes  
Officer Robert Hudson  
Officer Monika Singleton  
Officer Benjamin Towarnyckyj  
Surveillance Monitor Linda Barrientos  
Surveillance Monitor Doris Chander  
Surveillance Monitor Melinda Collins  
Surveillance Monitor Annie Kidd  
Surveillance Monitor Lois Stewart

#### First Precinct General Investigations and Felony Apprehension Street Team

Captain Phillip McCrary  
Sergeant Irving Boykin  
Corporal Jonathan Lee  
Officer Damian Colvin  
Officer William Cowart

Officer Mark Johnson  
Officer Dennis Owens  
Officer Anthony Sanchez  
Officer Michael Sheets  
Officer Bezell Westbrook



# *In memoriam of Our Fallen Heroes*

*Detective Edward McGrath Morris*  
*March 31, 1901*

*Officer Royce Williams*  
*June 22, 1968*

*Officer James J. Shaw*  
*December 21, 1914*

*Officer Joseph P. Brunson*  
*May 15, 1975*

*Officer Chris M. Dean*  
*January 11, 1926*

*Officer Henry Johnny Booth*  
*August 14, 1979*

*Officer W. F. Happy Murphy*  
*October 18, 1929*

*Detective Julius Schulte*  
*April 18, 1985*

*Officer Edward P. Dedford*  
*October 30, 1935*

*Officer Douglas E. Kountz*  
*May 2, 1992*

*Officer Cody Bettis*  
*August 3, 1938*

*Corporal Owen P. McClinton*  
*December 13, 1996*

*Officer Ollie Mason*  
*June 15, 1943*

*Corporal Matthew Thompson*  
*February 12, 2004*

*Officer Pierce Lee Rudy Reeves*  
*September 14, 1944*

*Officer Brandon Sigler*  
*June 3, 2009*

*It is not how they died that made them heroes,  
it is how they lived.*



# Mission Statement

To improve the quality of life for all citizens through community partnership and crime prevention.

## Code of Ethics

"As a Law Enforcement Officer, I do solemnly swear that my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will not act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately, without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession..... Law Enforcement.

I do further swear that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of Alabama; that I will faithfully enforce the laws of this state and ordinances of the City of Mobile, and perform the duties of a police officer to the best of my ability. I will obey the rules and regulations of the department and carry out all orders which may be lawfully given me by my superior officers.

I do further swear that I accept this oath as a police officer subject to all the limitations, conditions, and restrictions imposed by the City of Mobile, the ordinances of the City of Mobile, and the regulations of the Mobile Police Department."