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POLICE INCIDENTS

On January 30th, Silver Spring Township Police began a motor vehicle pursuit on the Carlisle Pike. The suspect had felony warrants out of Camp Hill and our department was investigating him for a retail theft of cigarettes as well. The pursuit came east on Rt 11, Rt 581 and south on Rt 15. The vehicle exited Rt 15 at Slate Hill Rd and headed back east on Gettysburg Rd. After briefly entering Capital City Mall at Zimmerman Dr., the suspect drove out of the mall and over the curb finally becoming disabled on Zimmerman Dr. He then fled into one of the office buildings at Fernwood and Rosemont Aves. He was apprehended in a first floor hallway without further incident. Numerous agencies on the east and west shore are looking at the suspect as part of retail theft and robbery investigations.

One major event this month consumed considerable assets from the police department. A death investigation in the Beacon Hill area of the Township caused considerable concern in the neighborhood until the death was determined to be non-criminal in nature. However, for the first 24-36 hours, investigators were not sure of the cause of the death and treated the scene as a homicide investigation. The professionalism demonstrated by every member of the police department and the County Forensic Team members in handling the scene and the family was second to none. Everyone involved in this investigation deserves a lot of credit for the way it was handled.

Officers did a great job in using evidence, witness statements and the media in solving a hit and run accident involving a bicyclist on Gettysburg Rd. A bicyclist was struck in the 2400 block of Gettysburg Rd on September 25th. Officer Claeys and other officers worked this case tracking down the type of vehicle based on parts left at the scene. Using witness information, a press release was sent out. Eventually, the operator of the vehicle turned himself in. Fortunately, the bicyclist's injuries were minor.

Debriefings were held with DPS and District personnel on the "what went right and what can we do better next time" issues that follow each critical incident. These have had a positive outcome on each successive incident at the high school. An old Emergency Management philosophy is that you should not be meeting the principle players for the first time at a critical incident. However, that is exactly how we met the new Assistant Principal at Cedar Cliff on Oct 12th. She had been in the District and at Cedar Cliff for a total of 8 days when the first bomb threat came in. Cedar Cliff has an entirely new administration this year and we have worked hard to maintain a close working relationship.

On October 28th a check the welfare call became a death investigation. A neighbor could not get an answer at the door of another Highland Dr resident. Officers using a pass key discovered a fire had occurred in the residence and the resident was found on the floor. Investigation by the State Police Fire Marshal's office could not pinpoint the cause of the fire. The origin was located in or near the living room sofa. The victim was apparently awakened by the fire or smoke and proceeded to get dressed before leaving the residence. He did not make it out before being over come by the smoke. At the time the police were notified to check on the resident, the fire was out, the smoke had cleared and the residence retained no heat from the fire. The fire had consumed all of the oxygen with in the structure and had extinguished itself.

You will notice a "1" in the year to date column for homicide on the NIBRS report. This section includes negligent and non-negligent manslaughter in addition to homicide. In July, a serious traffic accident occurred at the intersection of Gettysburg Rd and Hartzdale Dr. Final investigative results from the Cumberland County Accident Reconstruction Team, the Division of Police and the District Attorney's office has resulted in charges against the operator that caused this accident that resulted in the death of a young female occupant.

Officer Michael Scarlato brought a quick resolution to a road rage incident in which a firearm was displayed. The incident occurred along Lower Allen Dr. Excellent follow up led to the arrest of the subject and recovery of handgun used within about 9 hours of the initial report.

There were two robberies of businesses during December and both have been cleared by arrest. A late night robbery at business in the Windsor Park Shopping Center was cleared by the tenacity of Det. McNair. This arrest, along with a co-conspirator who drove the get away car, was effected through the investigation of several crimes in other jurisdictions. Working together, Det. McNair recognized a suspect name for these other crimes as one we had dealt with in the past for drug violations. Using his past knowledge of the suspects actions, Det. McNair found them at a local motel in Fairview Twp. This arrest will clear several crimes in the Township and neighboring municipalities.

Another robbery occurred at a business in the Cedar Cliff Shopping Center during the 2pm-10pm shift. The quick response by our officers and a Fairview Township Officer allowed for the arrest of the subject in the parking lot of the shopping center immediately after the robbery.

POLICE PROJECTS

The police department was re-accredited this month in sometimes sunny Jacksonville, Florida. This was the highlight of the month. During the week long conference/meeting of the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies, Lower Allen Township was one of approximately 90+ agencies being accredited, re-accredited or recognized. This was our fourth award, with our initial accreditation occurring in 1995.

During the week, Sgt. Leon Crone, Officer Matthew Claeys, Kimberly Olewiler, Commissioners Black and Young and I attended several training sessions ranging from use of force issues, to disaster preparedness and response, to communications and Emergency Medical Dispatch issues. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office was a tremendous host agency for the conference. What normally takes 2-3 years to plan for, the JSO pulled off in about 7 months. Our original conference location was to have been Mobile, AL. However, after hurricane Katrina, that city was unable to host the conference and Jacksonville stepped up.

Sgt. Crone and I attended a two-day session of instruction on the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). This was held at the PA State Police Academy and was presented by the FBI UCR unit out of West Virginia. As we have been reporting, cNET, our new RMS is reporting NIBRS to the State Police. The RMS is having problems with some of the validations and our cases were being rejected by the state. This training class was instrumental in updating our knowledge of the reporting requirements, which are significantly different from the summary based UCR we were trained on years ago. Sgt. Crone recently updated our PSP submissions for the calendar year 2005, so that all of our reports are now in the system. I will be

compiling those statistics in the next month or so for presentation to the Board.

On April 21st, I issued a Special Order concerning the newly installed “No Right Turn” sign on Old Slate Hill Rd at Scarsdale Dr. This Order set up a directed patrol at the intersection to warn motorists of the new traffic control sign. During the first week, the officers used their vehicle to block the intersection. Gary Frazer and the Public Works department responded quickly to a request to add warning flags to the newly installed sign. This helped draw motorist's attention to the sign limiting their turning movements.

The following week, officers were in the neighborhood and began giving out warnings to motorists ignoring the sign and turning into the development to avoid a back up on Old Slate Hill Rd. The Department has an order in place requiring a 30 day grace period before citations may be issued on new traffic signs or ordinances. On May 22nd, the grace period will expire. The officers actions to date have educated a majority of the motorists who use this route on their daily commute. However, I am sure there will be some drivers who will take their chances. This will remain on directed patrol for the foreseeable future as the shifts call volume allows.

Sgt. Crone was busy coordinating graduation plans with the West Shore School District, Cedar Cliff and Red Land High Schools. Both schools hold their outdoor graduation ceremonies at West Shore Stadium.

During May and June, the Police Department participated in “Buckle Up PA Wave 21.” This seatbelt enforcement detail provides reimbursement for officers' salary to concentrate on traffic enforcement while concentrating on seat belt usage. During the grant period from May 15 through June 4, officers made 55 traffic stops, issued 66 citations. Twelve of the citations were for seat belt violations. Seat belt usage by the drivers who were stopped by our officers was 78.2%. the grant provided for up to \$2,500 for salary reimbursement. The Township submitted for and received \$2,112.69 for overtime used during this grant.

Sgt. Crone worked diligently on error codes created when submitting our cNET Incident Reports. Incident Reports are created during the investigation of criminal activity and some non-criminal incidents. As a result of his efforts, we have been able to compile the UCR statistics that have been missing from the monthly report since we switched to cNET in July 2005. Part of the problem occurred because we were one of the first agencies in the state to submit our crime experience through based on the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

The Police Division was awarded our State Law Enforcement Accreditation at the PA Chiefs of Police conference in King of Prussia. The assessors reviewed our department on June 14th. Lower Allen became the first State Accredited agency in Cumberland County and one of only six agencies in the state to have dual CALEA and PLEAC Accreditation. Chief Snyder, Sgt. Crone and I attended the Commission meeting where Lower Allen Township was approved for Accreditation. Sgt Thomas then joined the Chief for the Accreditation banquet.

August began, as usual with National Night Out. Dianna Knisley did another outstanding job in coordinating the activities with the neighborhood groups that participated. Thanks also goes to the all of the police, fire and EMS personnel that assisted to make this night such a tremendous success.

The planned Rt 15/Rt 581/Lower Allen Dr interchange and highway improvements occupied members of public safety and the police department. In fact due to the size and scope of the project Hampden Township Police were invited to a meeting on the staging and potential scheduling of the construction project. Two additional meetings were held with PennDoT and their consulting engineers concerning this project. The first was to establish Lower Allen Police Department as the agency providing que-car details during the Rt 15 portions of the project. This car will be used at various times of the day, mainly rush hours, to alert motorists approaching construction areas to slowed or stacked traffic. These details will be a contract items requiring the selected contractor to reimburse the Township for personnel and other expenses associated with this detail.

POLICE AWARDS

On June 21st, I attended a Law Enforcement Expo at the Atlantic City, NJ Convention Center. Sgt. Crone and I had attended last years event and found it useful by providing direct contact with vendors. Again this year, we concentrated on in-car video equipment. We have received confirmation on a \$10,000.00 grant award from 2005, but have not yet received the money. Once the money is in hand, we plan on purchasing two units for patrol.

In addition to the Law Enforcement Expo, The Northeast College and University Security Association was holding their annual conference and awards banquet at the hotel adjacent to the Atlantic City Convention Center. Corporal Jeff Huff and Det. Troy McNair were scheduled to receive awards for their continued support of Messiah College Department of Public Safety. The officers provide training in drug awareness and identification to the Public Safety staff and to the Resident Advisors in the dormitories. Chief Snyder, Sgt. Crone and I also attended the banquet.

EMS PROJECTS

EMS Captain Yohn continued working with the vendor for our new ambulance. Yohn and Public Safety Officer Ron Nye reviewed the finally production specifications against the bid document and made several corrections to come into compliance with what we had requested. These were finally completed to our satisfaction by month's end.

Initial County 800 mhz radio training was conducted for fire and EMS chiefs in the county, in preparation for the next phase of the County's new radio system. Training for all Township fire and EMS providers will be scheduled as soon as the radios are programmed and released to the departments.

Both Ambulance 2-74 our 2006 Horton and Engine 1-12 our 2006 Pierce will be displayed by the respective vendors at the Lancaster County Fireman's Expo at the Farm Show Building. This is a testament to the individual apparatus committees that designed the ambulance and the engine. A lot of time and effort goes into the development of the specifications in preparation of bidding each piece. The apparatus displayed at the Fireman's Expo are some of the latest and most innovative designs and safety features available on the market today. It also instills pride in our volunteers and personnel to see their hard work being reviewed and complimented by the thousands of people who attend the Expo.

EMS Captain Yohn and I met with representatives from Life Team Emergency Medical Services to gauge their interest in providing ALS services for the Township. The meeting provided new insight in how the Township may do business in the future, but it would be such a radical change that it could not be implemented in time for FY 2007. Future meetings with West Shore ALS will be scheduled to discuss their membership rates and service to the Township.

PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECTS

On going discussions for the new Municipal and Emergency Services Building were also prominent in January. I had individual meetings with the Police, Lower Allen Fire and EMS departments to review their requested space needs. This was in preparation of each department meeting individually with the architect.

Based on the individual department reviews, we were able to change some of the work space needs and scale back on some requested areas. All departments are eagerly waiting for the first draft schematic plan of the new facility to gain a better understanding of how all of the Public Safety functions will interact with each other.

The new building is starting to become reality in everyone's mind. All of the Public Safety Divisions met with the Basco/Buchart Horn architect describing our space needs and the relationship of each department and the offices/personnel within those spaces. Probably one of the hardest things for them to understand is how well all of our divisions work together. They are used to each division having to have their own separate spaces and not wanting interaction or sharing of resources.

The Public Safety Officers have been assisting police, fire and EMS as needed. We are still trying to find the best way to report and statistically depict their activity. Part of the reporting issue is they complete reports for all three entities as applicable. In the mean time, here is some information on what they did in January of this year.

The month of April began with a Strategic Planning session with the Board. These are very productive gatherings in assisting staff with the direction of the Board and the Township. There were two sessions in April, with Public Safety taking up most of the April 8th afternoon meeting.

EMS Captain Yohn coordinated another successful mock accident for the students at Cedar Cliff High School. This demonstration is used to graphically demonstrate to the students the potential consequences of drinking and driving. Each year, we work with the Cedar Cliff Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) club to present this educational tool immediately prior to the Junior/Senior Prom. Members of the EMS, Police, Public Safety and Lower Allen Fire Company participated.

We took another step towards implementing a community notification system. Working with Hampden Township, we met with Dialogic Communications, a state contract vendor and discussed both Township's needs. We have a new sales person for our region and we took this opportunity to get to know him as well. A new proposal was submitted and is currently under review.

The County 800 radios ordered for the non-public safety personnel in the Township have arrived. I was finally able to get a meeting with County officials to begin the process of developing the "fleet map" for these radios. On September 23rd, County and M/A COM completed an upgrade to the systems infrastructure. The next step is to upgrade the subscriber equipment (portable and mobile radios) the County is waiting to see how the State makes out when they upgrade their subscriber equipment. Unlike previous upgrades, a M/A COM authorized technician must come out and physically touch each radio for the upgrade. We are hoping to have the non-public safety radios programmed and placed in service at that time.

The other October event is Halloween. Dianna Knisley not only did another outstanding job in coordinating the activities for this special night, but coordinated our Trick or Treat safety programs in the elementary schools.

October was also eventful at Cedar Cliff High School, where a total of four (4) bomb threats were received during the month. Two of the threats involved evacuation of the students to allow for searches of the building. Eventually, Chief Snyder and EMS Captain Yohn, along with District officials, met with the student government leaders to discuss the issue, as well as talk about some preliminary measures that would help reduce the potential for additional calls. While the students may not have been happy with some of our suggestions, our message was clear the prank calls had to stop. In defense of the upper class members, the students were getting tired of the interruptions as well.

Eventually, through tips and good police work and the assistance of a persistent high school administration, leads and suspects were developed. Investigations by Ptl. Mike Scarloto, Cpl. Rick Tamasosky and Det. Troy McNair led to the charging of individuals in 3 of the 4 incidents. All were juveniles in the 9th grade at the high school.

In an attempt to see if we could save money by changing vendors or consolidating rate plans, I began working with Nextel to devise a consistent phone rate plan for the Township and Verizon to test their new push to talk technology.. The Township previously had multiple plans and rates that did not share minutes and were basically a nightmare when trying to figure out if someone was out of balance with their phone usage and charges.

After working with both Nextel and Verizon, it was discovered that the Nextel Direct Connect was critical to a large majority of the Township's employees in effectively and efficiently getting their jobs done. We tested the new Verizon push to talk (PTT) and discovered it still wasn't as advanced as the Nextel Direct Connect. I worked with our account representative to obtain a plan providing a two tier approach and a savings to the Township. At the same time this would not reduce the number of minutes allowed by the plan and also not require paying for expensive overage charges. The plan selected allows the Township to pool minutes with the expense being spread out over departments to the users with the most average minutes. In Public Safety alone, this will result in an annual savings of \$3,600.00. While two of the Divisions will see an increase in their 321 line item, the other three Divisions will see a substantial reduction.

The Department of Public Safety sponsored our annual Breakfast with Santa at the Lisburn Community Fire Company facilities building. The breakfast is for the children and grandchildren of Township employees and volunteers. Many thanks need to go to Dianna Knisley for coordinating this event again and to the Lisburn Fire Company and the Lisburn Ladies Auxiliary for an outstanding breakfast and helping Santa arrive via Engine 24.

PUBLIC SAFETY INCIDENTS

We also became involved in event planning for an upcoming free concert on the Naval Support Activities Base. Currently being called "Freedom Fest," this concert will feature an opening local band followed by Hootie and the Blowfish. Since the concert is being held on the Navy Base, we have no responsibility for the actual venue. However, the only gate to be open to the concert goers will be the South Gate on Trindle Rd.

The concert is being held on Friday June 9th, with gates opening at 4:00p.m. As we all know, Simpsonferry Rd in the are of Wesley Dr is just about at gridlock during rush hour. We are working closely with Hampden Township Police on a traffic control plan for the concert. The estimated crowd for this event is 10,000 people. This is based on what the Base estimates will fit in the venue area.

Unfortunately, the Police and EMS departments will be spread thin on the day of the concert. This is also the date for Red Land High School's commencement at West Shore Stadium. Planning and scheduling for both events is well underway.

Two fatal motor vehicle accidents occurred during the month. One at Hartzdale Dr and Gettysburg Rd was investigated by our Police Division. This is detailed in Sgt. Thomas' report for Operational Services. The other was investigated by the PA State Police and Cumberland County Coroner's Office. A tractor-trailer on Rt 581, struck a vehicle apparently stopped in traffic. The impact caused the struck vehicle to go over the sidewall of the Rt 581 overpass. The vehicle landed on its roof to the rear of a business located in the 1800 block of Hummel Ave. While our emergency providers were the first on the scene, the investigation is being handled by the State Police.

Also on the 26th, Department personnel responded to 2101 Cedar Run Dr for an automatic fire alarm. This building has been the site of numerous false alarms in the past, usually during or as a result of a thunder storm. Office D. J. Sentman arrived on the scene first and reported smoke coming from a third floor apartment. Officer Sentman, Cpl. Jeff Huff and EMS Captain Yohn began evacuating residents. EMT Jory Harlan put on his turnout gear and a self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and entered the fire building with the first arriving fire department personnel.

The fire was attributed to careless disposal of smoking materials. This caused the contents of a trash can in the living room to ignite and spread to a television set. The fire damage was contained to the living room of the apartment, which otherwise had extensive smoke damage. The firewalls contained the fire to the apartment of origin, which was not occupied at the time of the fire.

Two very serious auto accidents occurred just before and just after the Thanksgiving holiday. The first on Wednesday November 22nd in an unlikely place, the 1400 block of Hummel Ave. The accident is still under investigation and we may never know exactly why a mini van crossed the center line causing the crash. The mini van collided with a truck tractor, with the point of impact just about on the double yellow centerline of the roadway. The driver and lone occupant of the mini van had to be extricated from his vehicle by the fire company. EMS transported the patient to Lowther Street Field where a landing zone had been set up by the West Shore Bureau of Fire for Life Lion. The Cumberland County Accident Reconstruction Team was called out to assist with reconstructing the crash scene.

On Friday November 24th, the County Accident Reconstruction Team was again called out to assist with reconstructing a multiple injury accident at the intersection of Wesley Dr and Wilson Lane. A southbound vehicle on Wesley Dr failed to stop for a red light and ran into a vehicle crossing from Bethany Village to Wilson Lane. The front seat passenger of the struck vehicle had to be extricated by the fire company. Again, EMS transported the victims, some by ground to local hospitals and one by Life Lion to Hershey Medical Center. Hampden Fire and the Naval Support Activities Fire Department assisted at the scene.

EMA

Jim Carter, a volunteer in Emergency Management, continued working on our School Incident Response Plan. Jim has been drafting language and working with the schools to gather current information. The new plan(s) will feature expanded information concerning the schools as they relate to each other in the district. This will allow us to better plan for incidents that directly affect and also indirectly affect the school buildings in the Township.

During the month of June, I met with Public Works Coordinator Gary Frazer concerning Emergency Management issues. The first concerned ensuring an adequate supply of gasoline and diesel fuel should another Category 4 or 5 hurricane impact the gulf coast of the United States. The second reason was to assign a federal classification code to all equipment used in the Township. This will allow us to be better prepared and more efficiently respond to PEMA and FEMA damage assessment reports.

This planning was already underway when the heavy rains at the end of the month caused flooding along the Yellow Breeches. The 9.7 foot crest of the creek was the highest in a number of years. However, the forecast originally called for a 12 foot crest on Monday, June 26 and on Wednesday, June 28th. Fortunately, both of these forecasts were wrong. However, residents in our flood plain were contacted and updated on a regular basis. Our records staff received numerous compliments and thanks for keeping the residents informed. The Public Works Department was prepared with road closing barricades and signs and pre-placed some of the barricades in anticipation of road flooding.

This was not a hurricane or tropical storm that usually moves through an area quickly. This was a prolonged series of storms and fronts that moved through the area, sometimes dumping 1-2 inches per hour. During this almost one week of rain and storms, numerous trees and wires were taken down, resulting in the Fire Companies having some very busy nights.

One tree branch took down the communications line with the creek monitoring/forecasting gauge on the Yellow Breeches. On Tuesday, June 27th, I was speaking with Cumberland County EMA officials about the creek forecast and was notified of the communications problem. Public Safety Officers and Police Officers were assigned to monitor the manual gauge at the site on a two our basis. These readings, once flood stage was reached, were phoned into the National Weather Service in State College to assist in forecasting the crest of the stream. Once the weather moved out of the area, a satellite link was able to be used to re-establish communications with the site.

After the event, we began damage assessment for the County to turn into PEMA. Working with Gary Frazer, we turned in damage information for washouts along Thompson Lane and at the Township Park, tree removal at the Township Park and a sink hole repair on Nottingham Rd.

FIRE INCIDENTS

Lower Allen Fire Company responded to a house fire on Cornell Dr. Fortunately for the people living in the house, their dogs woke them up. There were no working smoke detectors in the house to provide early warning and the fire was reported around 3:30 am when everyone in the house was sleeping. This fire was ruled accidental through an investigation by Lower Allen Police, the State Police Fire Marshall and the insurance investigator. Clothing was placed next to a gas furnace that did not have a proper shield or cover in place. The fire was contained to the room of origin in the basement, in large part due to a broken water pipe. The heat of the fire caused a solder joint to fail allowing the homes internal water supply to pour out in the area of origin.

The Fire Company also responded to an auto accident with entrapment on Gettysburg Rd at St. Johns Rd. The driver of one of the vehicles was confined within the vehicle, but not entrapped. Once the driver's door was removed, EMS was able to move and package the patient. Unfortunately, this person later succumbed to her injuries.

A stock pile of coal on the property of the State Correctional Facility at Camp Hill, caught fire on an extremely windy day. Most likely, this was caused by careless smoking and fortunately, the facility had heavy equipment on the scene. Most of the visible fire was kept under control to keep the embers and ashes from blowing in the wind, while a pit was dug for the burning coal. The burning section of the pile was isolated; then the burning coal was hosed down and eventually buried. Tanker 24, Lisburn Community Fire Company was called to assist, since the site was located on the south side of Lisburn Rd towards the firing range where there is no water source.

On March 5th, Happy Nails in the Capital City Plaza experienced a structure fire. The call originally came in as an automatic alarm, which unfortunately is all too commonplace at this location. Prior to any units coming on the air, County began dispatching a full first alarm assignment for a structure fire.

First arriving police officers began evacuating all open businesses in the Plaza. They then assisted with the Knox Box key distribution to gain access into closed businesses. Unfortunately, it was discovered that most businesses had not updated keys in the Knox Box, nor had they updated their emergency contacts listed in our computer system.

The Lower Allen Fire Company did an excellent job in controlling the fire with limited manpower. Truck 12, the first in unit, had a driver and firefighter. The Navy Depot supplied water to the Truck. The fire was quickly controlled, but the smoke was difficult to evacuate from other businesses. Investigation revealed the fire was caused by a neon sign that had fallen and come in contact with a sofa along the front windows. Fortunately, the fire was contained to the front of the tenant space. When the front windows shattered, the fire went towards the fresh air and not further into the space allowing it to be quickly extinguished.

On June 23rd, Lower Allen Fire Company assisted Camp Hill Fire Department with a 3 alarm fire at ADM Milling on Spangler Rd. Our engine crew was assigned to the 4th floor to extinguish and check for extension of the fire. Both on the initial assignment and again later in the incident to locate missing equipment, climbing only four flights of stairs in full gear and air-paks gave me even more respect for the members of the Fire Department of New York (FDNY) who climbed many more floors than we did on September 11, 2001.

On September 20th, the State Correctional Facility at Camp Hill, lost power to several cell blocks. I was contacted as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township. Police and EMS personnel were alerted to the situation. Fire Chief Mumma and I met in my office to coordinate a potential response to assist with providing power and lights if the power was not restored before night fall. Specific time limitations were agreed upon with SCIC to allow for apparatus to arrive in time to set up during daylight hours. The institution was able to restore power within the time frame and no response was needed. All providers were updated and advised of the status of the situation as it progressed.

LA FIRE PROJECTS

Congratulations to Lower Allen Fire Company for achieving certification from the State Fire Commissioners Office for having 50% of the volunteers participating in the National Professional Qualifications board program. This means that at least 50% of the members have achieved a minimum of the Firefighter I certification. The fire company will continue striving towards higher participation to improve their certification level.

Public Safety Officers, Lower Allen Fire Company Volunteers and our EMS Division all participated in presenting fire safety topics at the Township's elementary schools and day care centers. The event usually features an apparatus display on the Wednesday of fire prevention week at the Capital City Mall. However, this year it was changed to coincide with the Pumpkin Dunkin' sponsored by the Capital City Mall. This annual event is a fund raiser for the Fire Company and was actually scheduled to provide multiple services this year. First was the annual apparatus display, second was the fund raising portion and finally was to promote change your clocks/change your batteries (for smoke detectors). Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate, so the event was moved inside and change to pumpkin decorating on Saturday October 28th.

In 2005, Deputy Fire Chief Dave Murdoch advanced an idea of using a private microwave system to move data on the Township's Local Area Network (LAN) to our remote locations at Public Works, Fire Station #2, EMS, the Capital City Mall Satellite Office and potentially the Community Park. The bandwidth provided by the microwave system would be more efficient than what we are currently seeing with our Comcast data connections. Murdoch proposed using Verizon's cellular tower at the Public Works facility as the antenna location for a relay point to the outlying buildings. After months of information gathering and requests to Verizon, we are finally on track to install test equipment in the Township's communications shelter at the tower site. Once this is complete, equipment will be placed at the Township Building and Fire Station #2 to test the speed and bandwidth. We currently pay over \$1,000 per year for high speed connections to most of our remote locations through Comcast. If the system performs like it is expected too, it will pay for itself within several years and the only recurring expense would be maintenance on the system.

PERSONNEL

May was devoted to personnel issues involved in the hiring process of two Emergency Medical Technician's, one Public Safety Officer and two Police Officers. Emergency Management issues also kept the department busy in May. Potential Candidates for our full time Emergency Medical Technician positions were interviewed in the month. Successful candidates were then invited back for a practical "skills" testing for both medical and a trauma related emergencies. We hope

to have names ready for Commissioner's review in June.

The written test for the position of Public Safety Officer was held on May 12. Four of the nine applicants who showed up for the testing passed the written portion and will be invited back for oral examinations in the near future. This position, like the two EMT positions, were budgeted as a six month employee for 2006. We hope to have a candidate for presentation to the Board in early July.

As May came to a close, I interviewed one of the top three candidates on the police officer position list. The remaining two candidates will be interviewed in early June. The 2006 budget includes funding for a 22nd police officer for the last half of the year. This would coincide with the July start date of 90th Police Academy at HACC, if needed. We are trying to have backgrounds completed for Civil Service by the first meeting in June. Since we now have two positions to fill, another name will need to be added to the list to enable the Board to select from a list of three to appoint someone to fill the final opening.

On June 12th, a conditional job offer was extended to Briana Stevenson. Briana starts the academy on July 5th. On June 26th a conditional job offer was extended to Michael Scarlato. Scarlato is a graduate of the 88th Municipal Police Academy at HACC and was previously employed by the Southwestern Regional Police Department in York County. Mike will start his Field Training program on July 10th.

Emergency Medical Technicians Helen Hertzler and Matthew Cook began their field training early in July. Both Hertzler and Cook were part-time employees for the EMS Division, so their training will not need to be as extensive before they are released into the regular schedule.

Another new reporting area beginning this year for the Traffic Safety Unit. Even though this unit consists of only one officer at this time, this unit has already been instrumental in handling traffic complaints and aggressively targeting reported trouble areas. Officer Claeys completed his Motor Carrier Inspection certification. He began inspection Tractor Trailers during the month of July. He will need to do 32 inspections per year and attend annual in-service training in order to maintain his certification. As the new officers complete their field training program, an additional officer will be assigned to the unit. This information will be listed after the NIBRS/UCR reporting table for the Police Division's information.

Officer Briana Stevenson graduated from the Police Academy at Harrisburg Area Community College. After qualifying on the range with Sgt. Thomas, Briana began her Field Training. She should complete this training by April 2007.

Finally, I am happy to report that the Board took action on December 26th to promote Officer Donald J. Sentman to the rank of Corporal effective January 8, 2007. A promotional ceremony was held that night at the beginning of the Commissioners meeting.

INCIDENT - ICS

On June 9th, Freedom Fest 2006 was held on the Naval Support Activities base in Hampden Township. The headline band for this event will be Hootie and the Blowfish, with a local band opening for them. The base is expecting 10,000 people to attend this event. Hampden Township Police have been very proactive in preparing for this event, involving the Police

Division early in the process. Multiple meetings during the month, including the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department, PA State Police, Mechanicsburg Police and Hampden Township Fire Police, culminated with a table top exercise on the Navy Base on May 31st. This exercise was an exceptional training session involving military personnel, the federal police department that protects the base, state police, the county EMA, Hampden Township Emergency Services, Hampden Township and Lower Allen Township Police. The Navy Captain coordinating the exercise made sure that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS) were an integral part of exercise.

On June 9th, the Police Fire and EMS Departments will be staffing to handle the anticipated 2500+ Red Land graduates and family members in the east end of the Township, while Freedom Fest may deliver upwards of 10,000 or more trying to get on to the Navy Base. While there are no indications of major problems at either venue, the potential traffic problems both events can generate may inhibit emergency responses. Traffic plans are in place for both events.

Due to the location on the base and the gate to be used, Lower Allen Township figured to be impacted with traffic before and after the event. Planning and coordination both inside and outside of the Township went smoothly and as it turned out, it was a very good exercise for an event that didn't materialize.

A fairly strong thunderstorm rolled through the area just as the gates to the venue were being opened to the public. This, most likely coupled with television warnings of traffic congestion, kept the traffic light in the area of Simpson Ferry Rd. and Wesley Dr. The concert venue was reportedly able to handle 3100 vehicles and up to 10,000 people. Less than one-half of the expected crowd showed up to see Hootie and the Blowfish.

Almost every police officer was assigned time directly related to the concert as part of our planning. This also included development of a 12 hour contingency schedule in case of a major incident involving the concert or any post concert activities. However, due to the limited crowd at the concert and the almost negligible impact on traffic flow, most of the officers were dismissed early or assigned to other enforcement duties. An after action report on the concert and on a table top exercise that preceded the concert were prepared and are being reviewed by supervisors involved in the event.

June 9th was also Red Land High School's graduation exercise at West Shore Stadium. The combination of these two events occurring on the same date at overlapping times, put a strain on our assets. Fortunately, no incidents occurred at either of the events. As the graduation ceremonies came to a close, personnel were reassigned from the Freedom Fest event to the graduation event to assist with traffic control.

The Incident Command System was utilized at each incident, with Director Williamson or Chief Snyder acting as the Incident Commander. All officers participating in the incidents understood their roles and the framework of the ICS they were working under. EMS Captain Yohn assisted at each incident in support of the Incident Commander, acting not only as the EMS liaison, but kept track of the necessary functions for both the PD and for the District. From his notes, he developed a time line for each incident and the actions that were taken. These were provided to the PD and the District to allow for a thorough review of the incident.

The state Department of Corrections has been pushing the integration of NIMS and ICS into their operations at both the administrative levels and at the correctional facilities level. On May 11th, Cpl. Huff and Chief Snyder participated in a drill for the Central Office building, outside of the fence at SCI Camp Hill. The incident simulated an explosive device left in the building and how the staff reacted to it. It was a good exercise integrating the local response into the DOC's response plan.

On May 25th, Sgt. Thomas, EMS Captain Yohn and I participated in a full scale internal exercise for SCI Camp Hill. In this situation, a domestic terror incident disrupted the commercial power coming into the facility. Initially, we were observers for the internal SCIC response to the threat. This observation time allowed the local contingent to work on our planning and response capabilities to such a threat. I was fortunate to have Sgt. Thomas and Captain Yohn in the SCIC command post with me. We were able to work on defining and developing Incident Action Plans for the various services the Township would supply to the facility should such an incident occur. As the exercise progressed we were allowed to insert ourselves into the operational aspects of SCIC's planning. As with all drills and exercises, one of the biggest benefits is meeting face to face with the people we would be interacting with in the event of a real emergency. If a real emergency were to occur, meeting and getting to know one another before hand and working together in preparation, makes any emergency go that much smoother.

On May 30th, two high school students decide they didn't want to be in class, so they left Cedar Cliff High School property to find a pay phone to make a bomb threat. This fell on the heels of a bomb threat at Red Land High School the prior week. The School District made the decision to send the students home due to the anticipated high temperatures forecast for that day.

Cpl. Rick Tamanosky coordinated the investigation with the School District and had the young ladies who made the call identified by the following day. Arrests are pending in this case. The new law concerning weapons of mass destruction and the threat to employee them carry the potential for the defendant to reimburse the costs associated with the business disruption and public safety response. Chief Snyder handled the Command Post operations for this incident.

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SUMMARY

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
COMPLAINTS ANSWERED	13935	16010	17010	+1000
PART 1 CRIMES	510	613	566	-47
PART 2 CRIMES	633	209	219	+10
REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS	136	156	163	+7
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	995	758	606	-152
TRAFFIC ARRESTS	3036	1800	2525	+725
WARNING NOTICES	785	614	627	+13
TICKETS ISSUED	404	749	570	-179

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CALLS FOR SERVICE

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
PART 1 CRIMES	510	613	566	-47
PART 2 CRIMES	633	209	219	+10
911 HANG-UPS	0	244	208	-36
ABANDONED VEHICLES	189	207	152	-55
ACCIDENTS-REPORTABLE	136	126	163	+37
ACCIDENTS-NON-REPORTABLE	489	426	403	-23
ALARMS	678	660	725	+65
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	279	258	317	+59
ASSIST AMBULANCE	743	777	957	+180
ASSIST FIRE COMPANY	116	126	168	+42
ASSIST OTHER DEPT.	463	452	413	-39
COUNTY COURT	15	19	9	-10
DISTRICT JUSTICE COURT	232	175	153	-22
DOMESTIC	147	202	402	+200
JUVENILE	129	127	142	+15
LOCKOUTS	213	204	193	-11
MENTALLY ILL	0	70	66	-4
MOTORISTS ASSIST	314	272	254	-18
SPECIAL DETAIL	2837	2648	2790	+142
SUBPOENA SERVICE	140	88	8	-80
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	0	308	509	+201
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	170	118		
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	204	147	159	+12
TRAFFIC RELATED	1572	2257	753	-1504
WARRANT SERVICE	172	103	57	-46
OTHER	2981	3213	3883	-670
TOTAL	13362	14049	17010	+3783

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS

As an internationally accredited law enforcement agency, the Lower Allen Township Police Department endeavors to protect and serve the citizens and visitors to the Township to the best of our ability. Part of that service is be open and honest with our citizens and businesses in our activities. The accreditation program requires the department to follow a set of recognized standards. These standards include requirements for investigation of complaints about officers or the services provided by our agency. As part of this process the following information shows the number of internal reviews and investigations undertaken by the department over the past three years.

Reviews are undertaken as part of a normal review of certain activities, such as Use of Force, Pursuits and accidents with department vehicles.

Inquiries, informal and formal investigations are undertaken as a result of internal department reviews and complaints from persons both inside and outside of the department.

DESCRIPTION	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
USE OF FORCE REVIEWS	17	15	12	-3
- PHYSICAL FORCE	10	11	9	-2
- ASP (PEPPER SPRAY)	2	0	1	+1
- TASER	0	0	0	0
- BEAN BAG GUN	0	0	0	0
- BATON	1	0	0	0
- DISPLAY OF FIREARM	4	4	2	0
- DEADLY FORCE	0	0	0	0
PURSUIT REVIEWS	5	2	3	+1
ACCIDENT REVIEWS	6	4	4	0
INTERNAL COMPLAINTS	5	2	13	+11
EXTERNAL COMPLAINTS	4	3	6	+3

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP E.M.S. ANNUAL REPORT 2006

SUMMARY

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
AMBULANCE 1-74 CALLS	1152	1093	1015	-78
AMBULANCE 2-24 CALLS	895	1087	1092	+5
ASSISTS TO LOWER ALLEN	515	542	493	-49
ASSISTS TO OTHER DEPTS.	287	252	293	+41
PART TIME EMT HOURS	9732.25	7549.75	2386.50	-5163.25
VOLUNTEER EMT HOURS	12	179.50	0	179.50
VOLUNTEER CALLS	2	0	0	0

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ASSISTS INTO LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
NEW CUMBERLAND	27	31	18	-13
CAMP HILL	114	167	159	-8
WEST SHORE EMS (CO. 81)	35	33	30	-3
WEST SHORE EMS (CO. 82)	58	63	50	-13
HAMPDEN TWP.	223	233	225	-8
EAST PENNSBORO TWP.	0	0	1	+1
FAIRVIEW TWP.	22	22	10	-12
OTHER	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	479	549	493	-56

ASSISTS TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
NEW CUMBERLAND	18	11	22	+11
CAMP HILL	35	37	30	-7
LEMOYNE	26	33	25	-8
UPPER ALLEN	82	139	119	-20
MECHANICSBURG	16	29	16	-13
HAMPDEN	39	55	35	-20
SHIREMANSTOWN	20	13	10	-3
DILLSBURG	4	10	0	-10
OTHER	40	52	36	-6
TOTAL	280	379	293	-86

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AMUBLANCE RESPONSE

HOURS	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	FIRE	ROUTINE	OTHERS
0700-1500	466	146	294	17	0	8
1500-2300	345	174	253	23	0	8
2300-0700	202	65	151	5	0	0
TOTALS	0	385	698	45	0	16

KEY: *Class 1 – Emergency Response, BLS and ALS*
Class 2 – Emergency Response, BLS only
Class 3 – Non-emergency Response, BLS only
Fire – Response with a fire company to a 911 call
Routine – Transfer of a patient between health facilities
Other – Stand-by, medical assists, drills, etc.

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT 2006

TYPE OF SITUATION

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
FIRE/EXPLOSION	92	90	91	+1
GOOD INTENT CALL	265	231	243	+12
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	84	71	51	-20
MALICIOUS FALSE CALL	0	0	0	0
OTHER FALSE CALL	97	92	105	+13
OVER PRESSURE RUPTURE	7	6	12	+6
RESCUE	42	61	82	+21
SERVICE CALL	39	50	41	-9
SEVERE WEATHER/NATURAL DISASTER	9	3	2	-1
TOTAL	635	604	627	+23

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SITUATION BREAKDOWN

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
STRUCTURE FIRE	74	52	68	+16
OUTSIDE OF STRUCTURE FIRE	4	2	3	+1
TREES, BRUSH, GRASS FIRE	5	14	12	-2
REFUSE FIRE	2	6	2	-4
VEHICLE FIRE	8	11	4	-7
RESCUE CALL	9	30	1	-29
AMBULANCE CALL	16	25	21	-4
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	63	32	10	-22
POWER LINE DOWN	0	2	1	-1
SPILL/LEAK-NO IGNITION	6	15	18	+3
AIRCRAFT STANDBY	0	3	2	-1
SERVICE CALL	1	15	30	+15
ANIMAL RESCUE	0	2	0	-2
WATER EVACUATION	17	1	3	+2
COVER ASSIGNMENT	11	11	4	-7
GOOD INTENT CALL	239	223	210	-13
SMOKE SCARE	20	20	14	-6
STEAM, OTHER GAS FOR SMOKE	7	3	6	+3
CONTROLLED BURNING	0	0	1	+1
FALSE CALL	25	26	16	-10
SYSTEM MALFUNCTION	37	36	52	+16
MALICIOUS/MISCHIEVOUS FALSE CALL	2	0	5	+5
UNINTENTIONAL FALSE CALL	33	36	34	-2
ARCING/SHORTED ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	14	11	10	-1
EXTRICATION	12	7	12	+5
LOCK OUT	1	0	0	0
ASSIST POLICE	2	4	2	-2
OTHER	27	17	17	0
TOTAL	635	604	627	+23

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT 2006

FIRE COMPANY RESPONSES

COMPANY	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
LOWER ALLEN TWP.	352	371	364	-7
CAMP HILL BOROUGH	46	36	45	+9
DICKINSON TWP.	0	1	0	-1
EAST PENNSBORO TWP.	6	5	6	+1
FAIRVIEW TWP.	42	40	46	+6
HARRISBURG CITY	25	22	15	-7
HAMPDEN TWP.	45	30	31	+1
LEWISBERRY BORO	0	0	0	0
LEMOYNE BORO	29	31	25	-6
MECHANICSBURG BORO	10	4	4	0
NEW CUMBERLAND BORO	11	7	20	+13
SHIREMANSTOWN BORO	3	7	15	+8
SILVER SPRING TWP.	3	1	0	-1
UPPER ALLEN TWP.	59	44	54	+10
WORMLEYSBURG	0	0	0	0
OTHER	4	5	2	-3
TOTAL	635	604	627	+23

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UNIT RESPONSES WITHIN LOWER ALLEN

	2004	2005	2006	2005-2006 CHANGE
CANCEL PRIOR TO RESPONSE	56	66	65	-1
CAMP HILL FIRE DEPT.	47	21	46	+25
CAMP HILL E.M.S.	0	0	0	0
FAIRVIEW TWP. FIRE DEPT.	46	15	17	+2
LEMOYNE FIRE DEPT.	0	0	0	0
HAMPDEN TWP. FIRE DEPT.	64	32	41	+9
HAMPDEN TWP. E.M.S.	0	0	0	0
NAVY SHIPS PARTS CONTROL CTR.	28	29	17	+12
NEW CUMBERLAND FIRE DEPT.	13	6	25	+19
NEW CUMBERLAND E.M.S.	0	0	0	0
UPPER ALLEN TWP. FIRE DEPT.	74	43	62	+19
WEST SHORE BUREAU OF FIRE	47	38	42	+4
CHIEF'S VEHICLE	110	138	109	-29
ENGINE 1-12	0	0	67	+67
ENGINE 2-12	178	182	226	+44
ENGINE 3-12	123	128	104	-24
ENGINE 4-12	66	59	38	-21
NO RESPONSE	1	1	1	0
FAILED TO RESPOND	50	16	45	+29
PERSONAL VEHICLE	14	12	6	-6
SQUAD 12	170	160	146	-14
TRUCK 12	175	159	137	-22
UTILITY 12	25	16	43	+27
ENGINE 24	11	10	6	-4
TANKER 24	4	0	3	+3
UTILITY 24	0	0	0	0
LOWER ALLEN E.M.S.	0	0	0	0
OTHER FIRE COMPANY	55	26	39	+13
OTHER E.M.S. COMPANY	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1357	1157	1285	+128

LISBURN COMMUNITY FIRE COMPANY

Minutes attached or to be hand delivered at the public meeting.

LISBURN FIRE COMPANY MONTHLY REPORT 2006

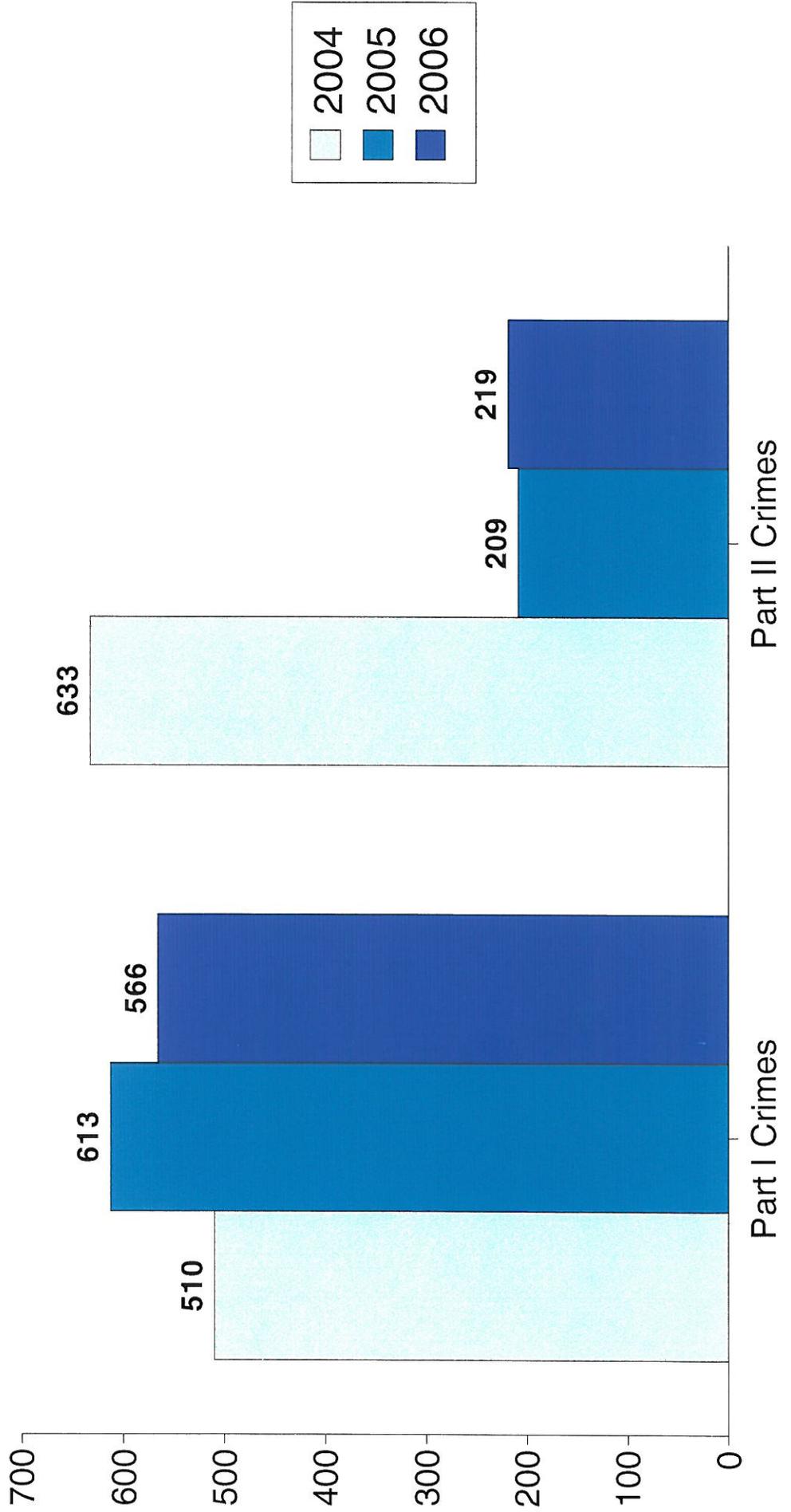
SUMMARY

TYPE OF RESPONSE	Lisburn	Lower Allen	Upper Allen	Monaghan	Fairview	Lewisberry	New Kingston	Other
AUTO ACCIDENT	4	1	4	3	23	0	0	1
AUTO ALARM	0	0	4	1	8	0	0	0
C.O. ALARM	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMERG. SERVICE	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
FIRE-ANY TYPE	1	6	4	1	40	2	0	3
HAZMAT	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
INVESTIGATION	0	0	2	2	11	0	0	0
RESCUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STANDBY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRANSFER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	8	14	7	84	2	0	4

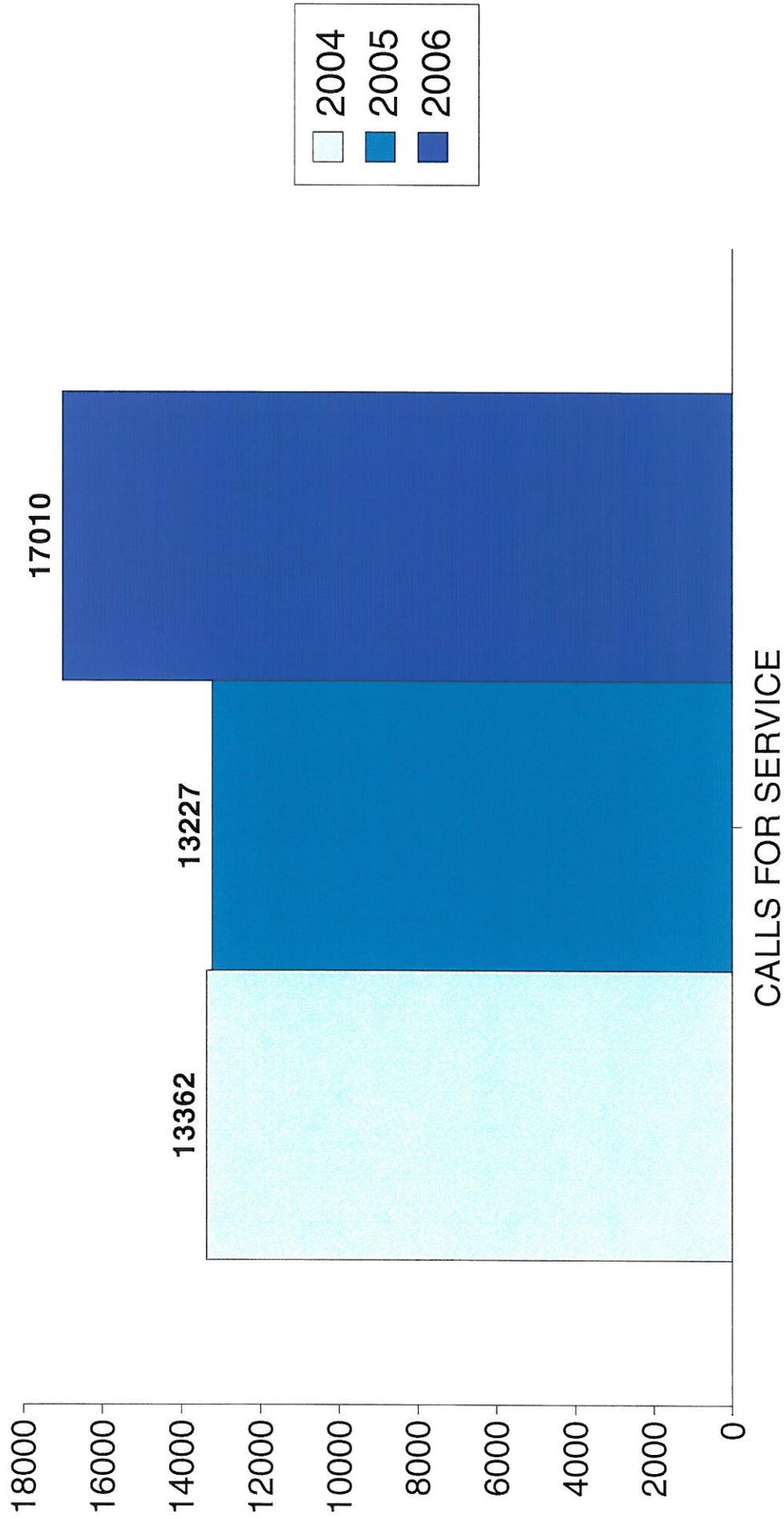
EMERGENCY SERVICE MAN HOURS	667
TRAINING MAN HOURS	48.50
AVERAGE PEOPLE PER CALL	53
FAILED CALLS	6
CANCELLED CALLS	48
TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS	112

*Does not include August Stats

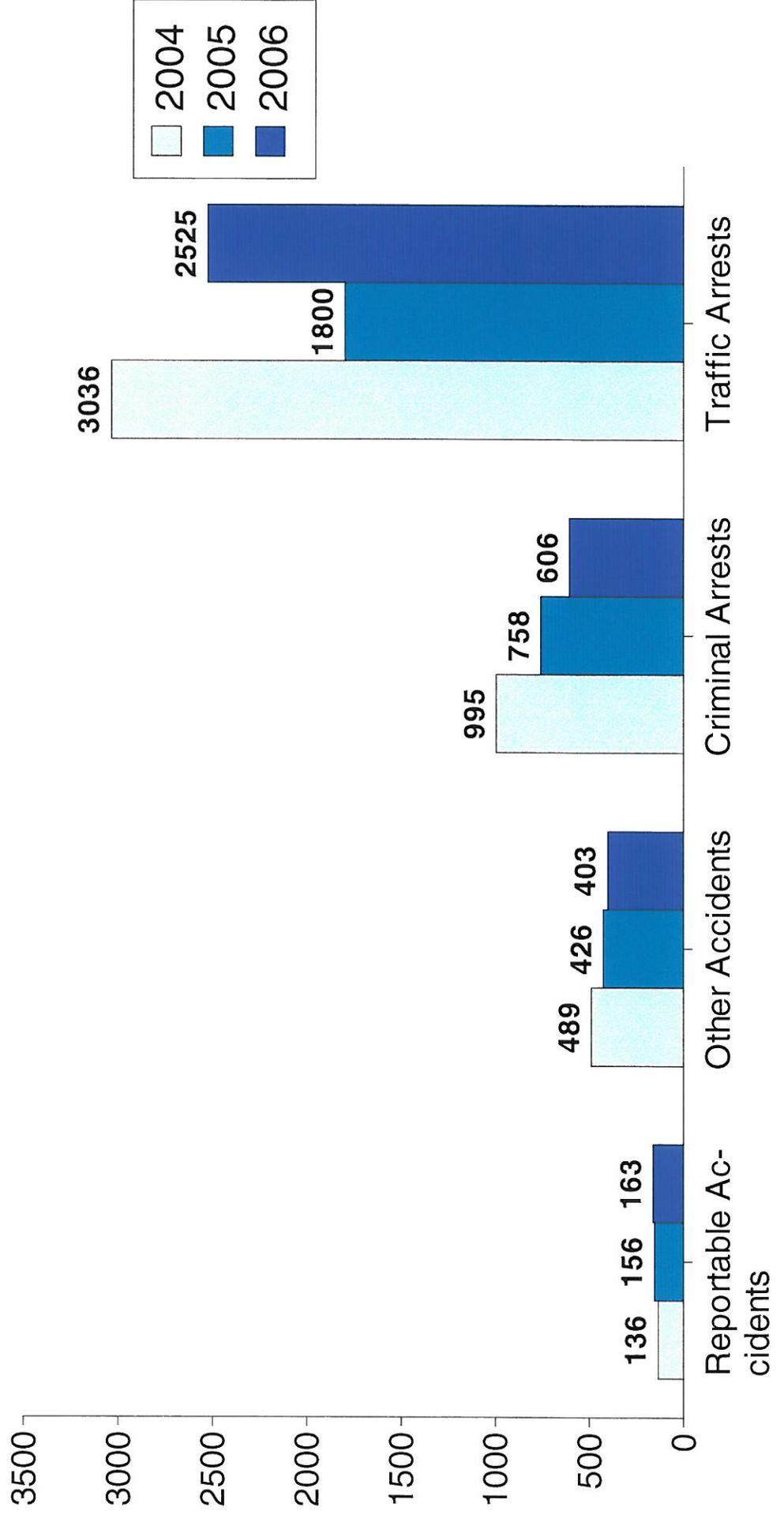
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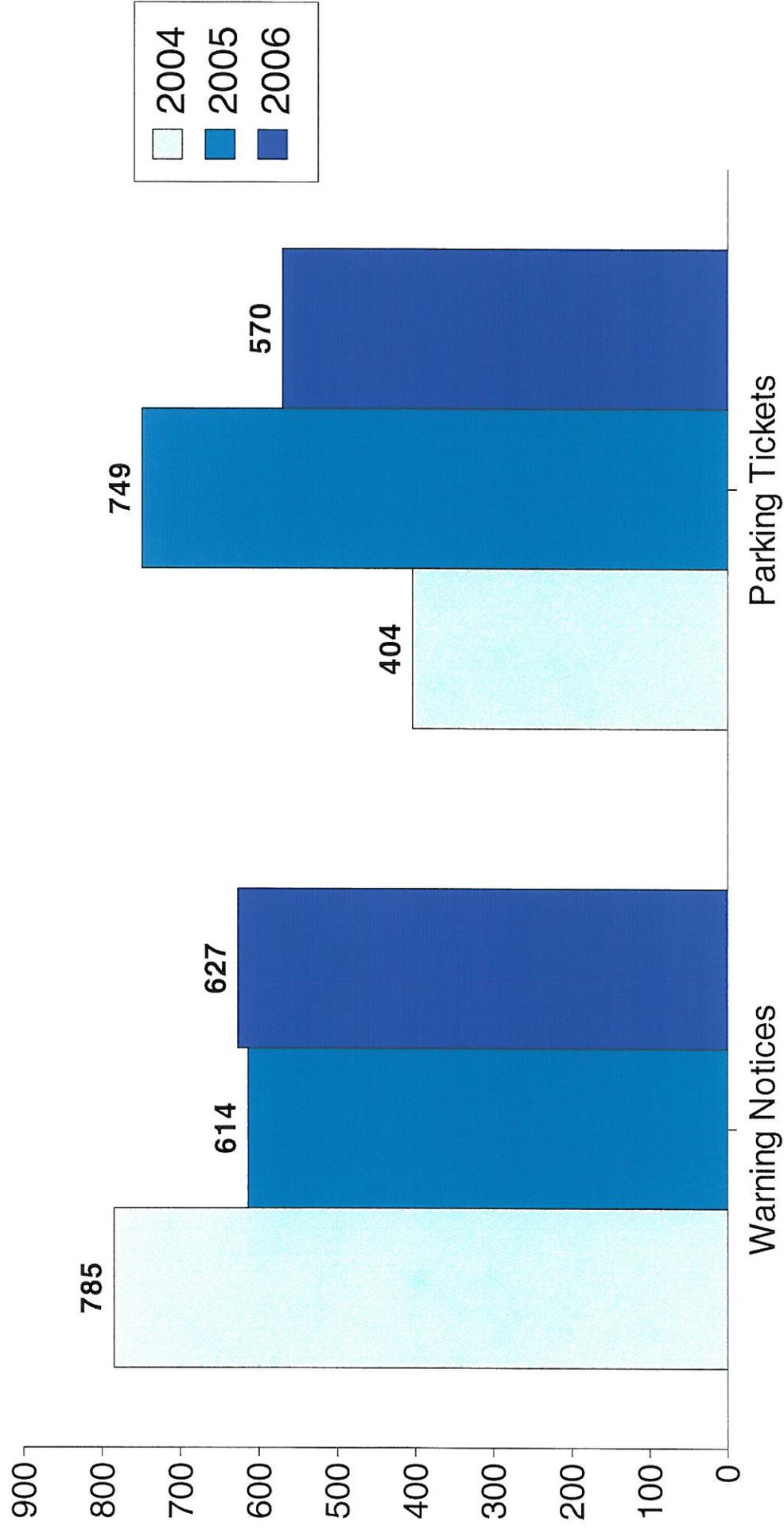
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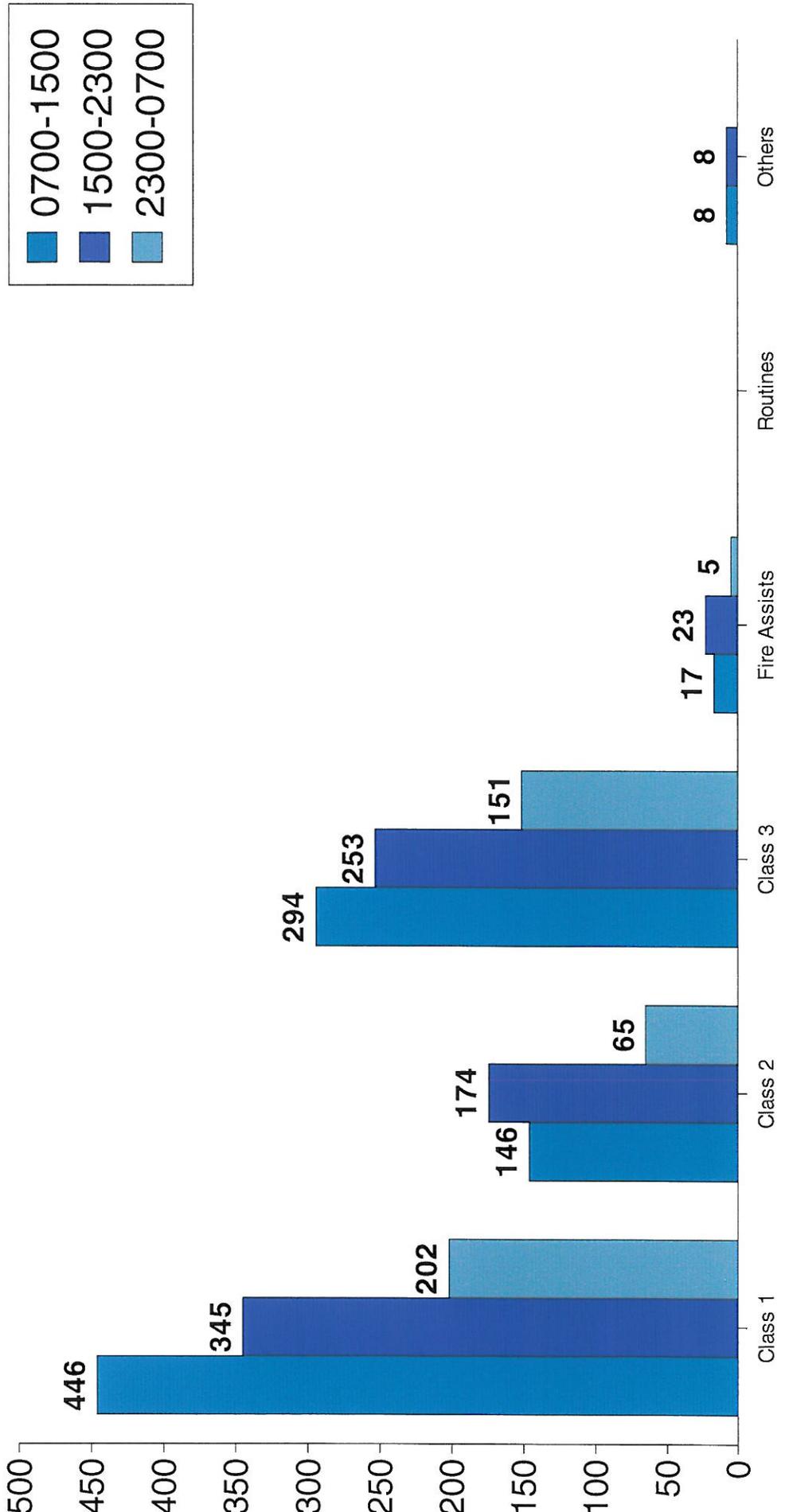


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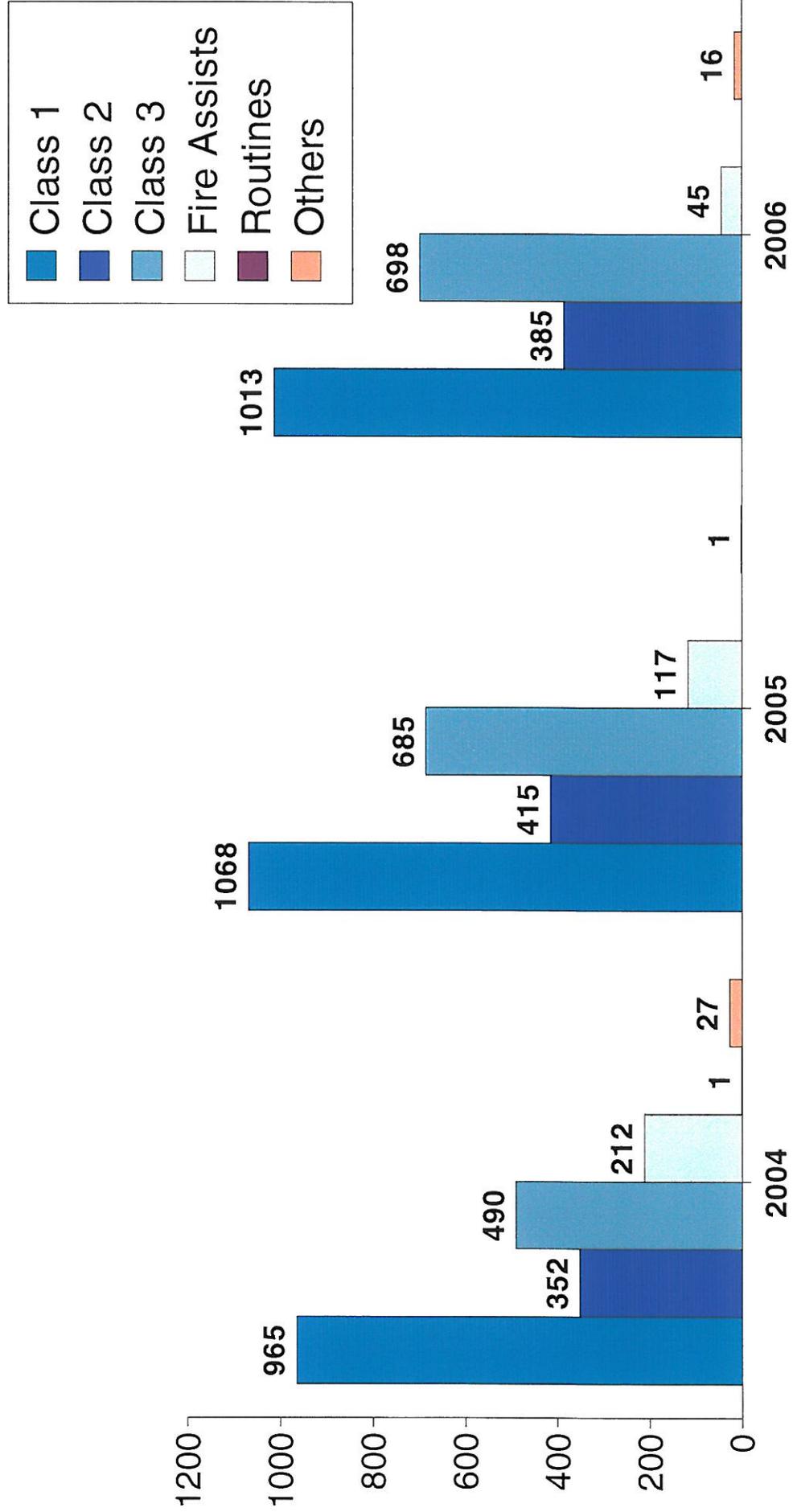


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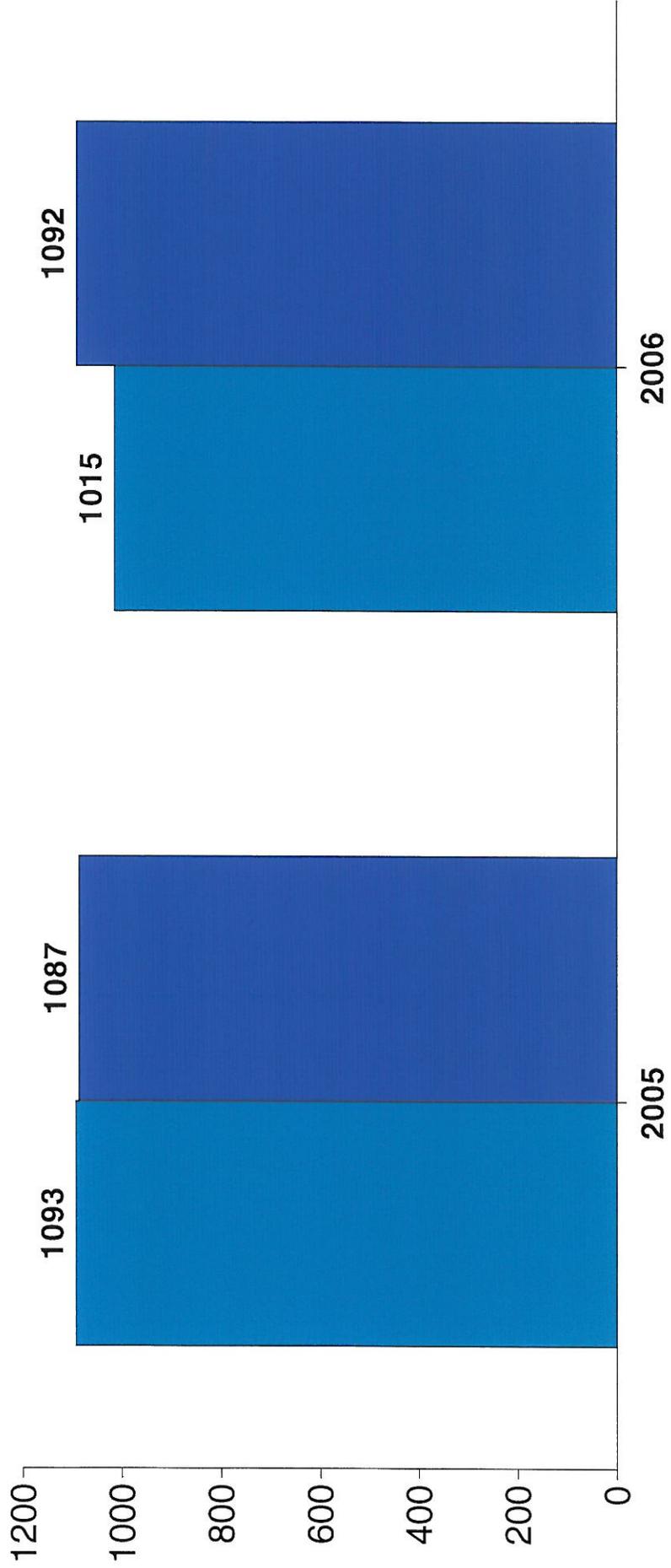
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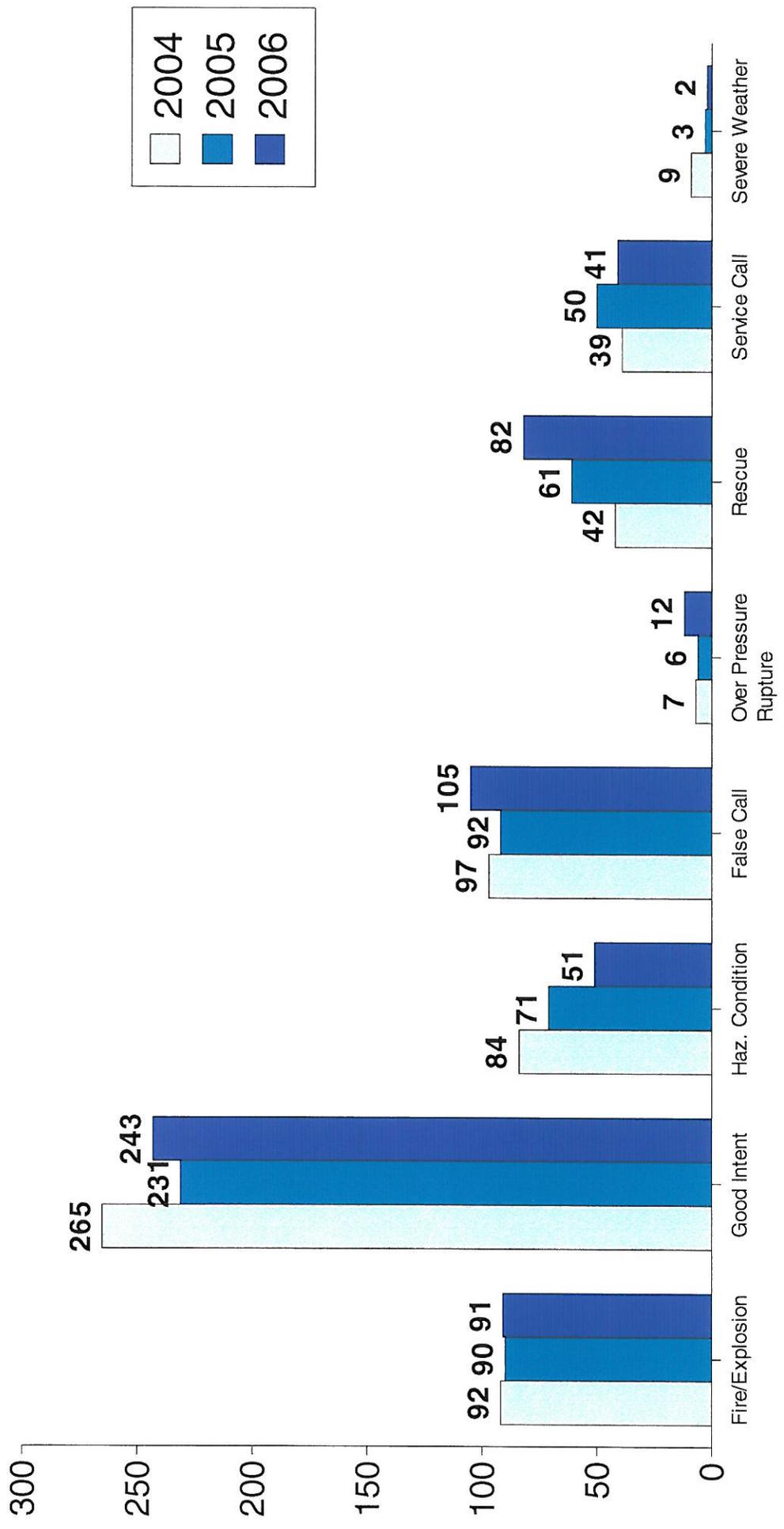
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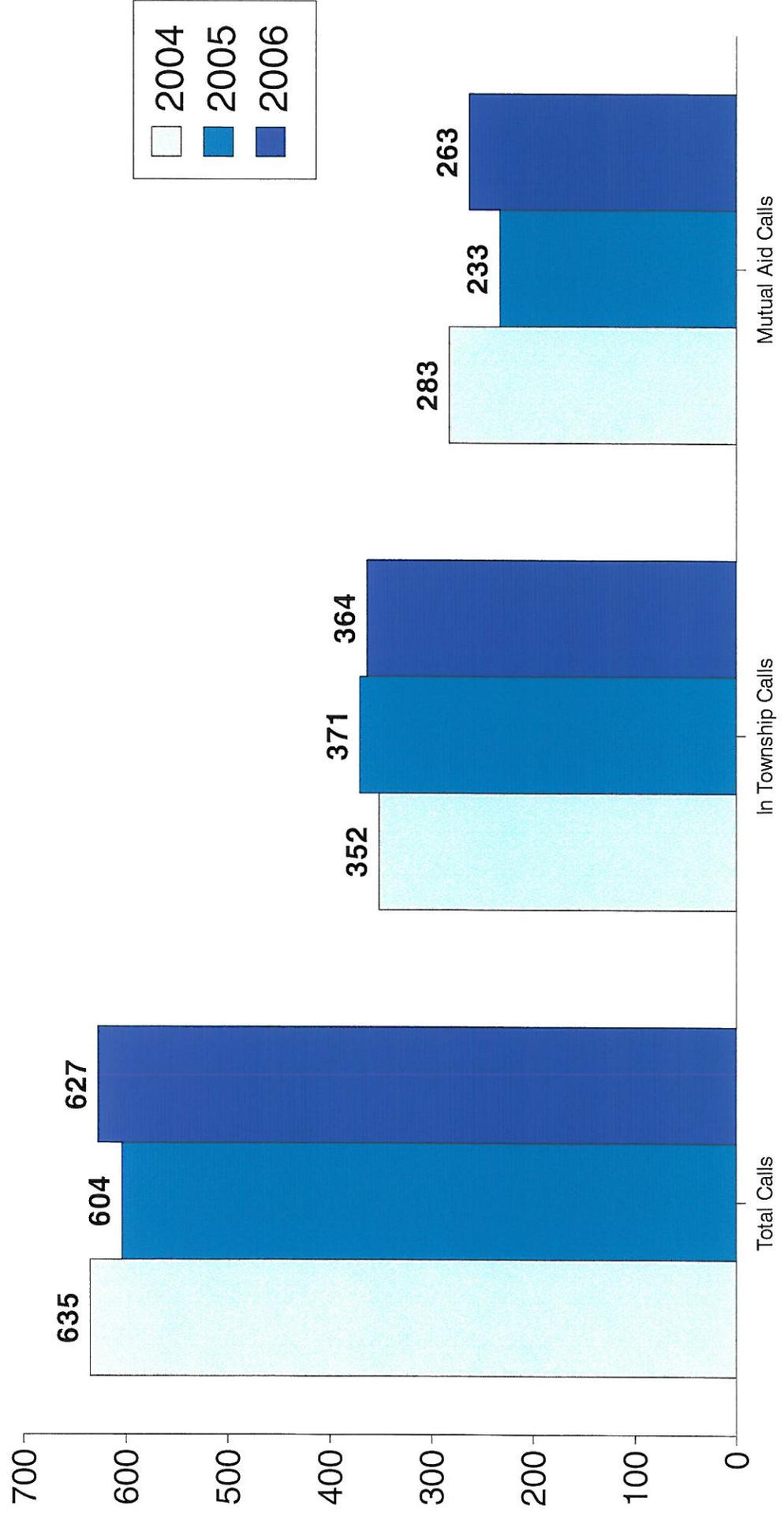
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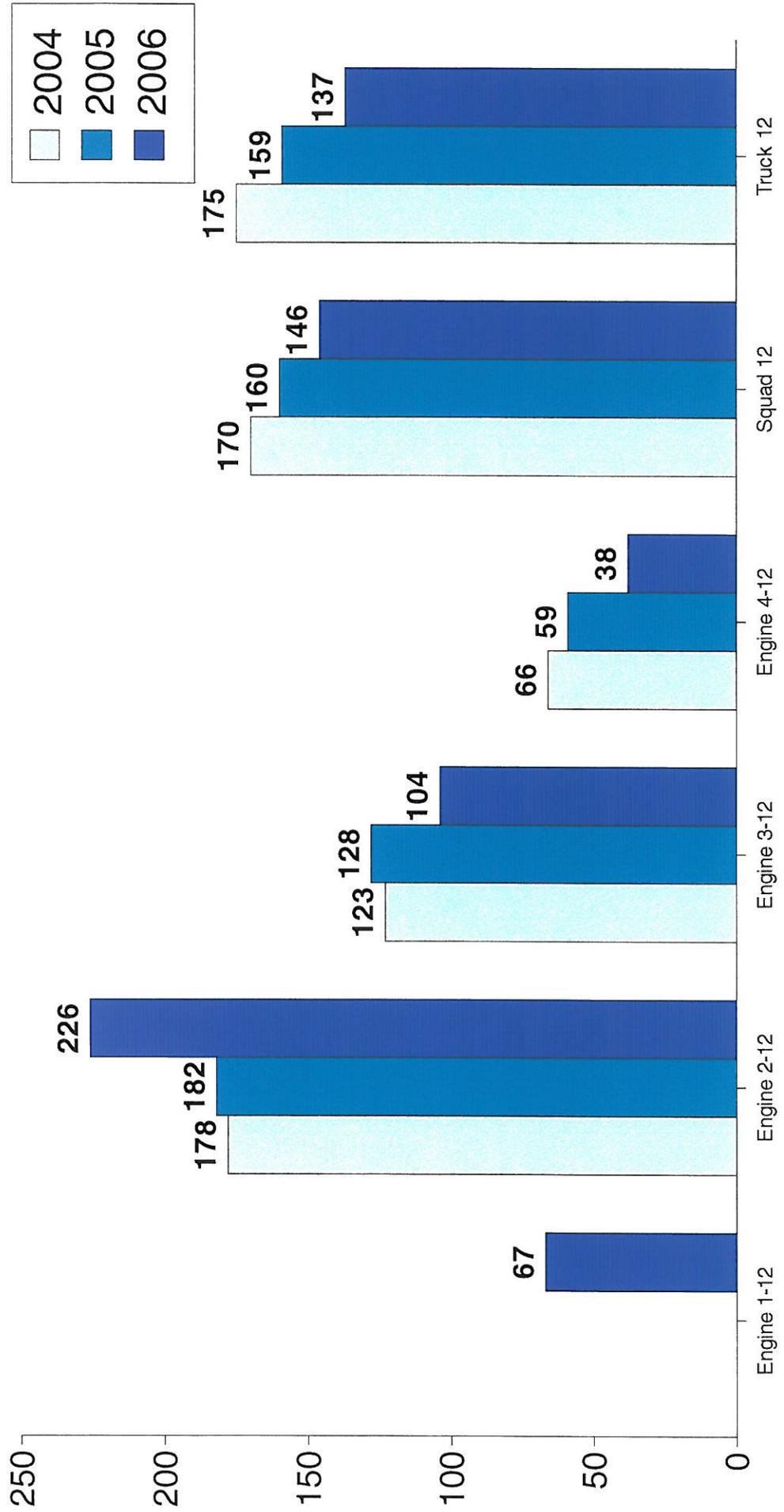
Fire Company Activity 2004-2006



LA Fire Company Responses 2004-2006



LA Fire Company Apparatus 2004-2006



LISBURN FIRE RESPONSES 2004-2006

