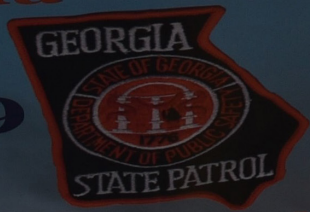


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MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performs driver and vehicle inspections of commercial motor vehicles at roadsides, inspection stations, and at carriers' terminals. The inspections range from "full" vehicle and driver inspections, which includes mechanical components, to "driver only" inspections. These may also include inspections of vehicles transporting hazardous materials.

WE SET THE **STANDARD**

The Georgia Department of Public Safety was created in 1937 and oversees the day-to-day operation of the Georgia State Patrol (GSP), Capitol Police and the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD). GSP troopers investigate traffic crashes and enforce traffic and criminal laws on the state's roads. Capitol Police officers prevent and detect criminal acts, and enforce traffic regulations throughout Capitol Hill. MCCD officers conduct safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles and inspect highway shipments of hazardous materials.





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VISION

The Georgia Department of Public Safety is committed to providing the highest level of professional service to its employees, the citizens of Georgia, and visitors to our state. In determining how this service is to be provided, it is imperative that each employee understands and adheres to the mission and core beliefs of our organization. Therefore, it shall be the policy of the Georgia Department of Public Safety to conduct its affairs in a manner consistent with the mission statement and core beliefs outlined herein.

MISSION

The mission of the Georgia Department of Public Safety is to work cooperatively with all levels of government to provide a safe environment for residents and visitors to our state. Although focused primarily on the enforcement of traffic laws and investigation of traffic crashes, the Department of Public Safety will support the efforts of all public safety agencies to reduce criminal activity, apprehend those involved, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. In all of our endeavors, DPS personnel will provide the highest level of customer service while remaining committed to following our core beliefs of trust, fortitude, compassion and professionalism.



CORE VALUES

TRUST

We are trustworthy. Truth is our hallmark and foundation. Our word is our bond. Truthfulness is what the public expects from us and what we demand of ourselves. We are committed to the highest ethical standards and highest level of performance that is beyond reproach.

FORTITUDE

We show fortitude. We are committed to persevere through sacrifice and adversity to do the right thing, even at personal cost. In the tradition of those who preceded us, we are confident in our ability to fairly enforce all laws, to protect life and property, and to be accountable for our actions.

COMPASSION

We show compassion. We have the courage and wisdom to be fair. We are sensitive to the needs of others and are committed to treat all with dignity and respect.

PROFESSIONALISM

We are professional. As an elite and diverse team of highly trained, motivated men and women, we are committed to providing effective, efficient, and courteous customer service. We pledge to set innovative standards for others to follow.



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FIELD OPERATIONS

GEORGIA STATE PATROL



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Although focused primarily on the enforcement of traffic laws and investigation of traffic crashes, the Georgia State Patrol (GSP) supports the efforts of all public safety agencies to reduce criminal activity, apprehend those involved, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. Public safety is a 24-hour responsibility. Stranded motorists and motor vehicle crashes require that troopers work around the clock. As of December 31, GSP had 782 troopers.

The Georgia State Patrol is divided into 52 patrol posts within 10 geographic troops and six specialized units, including Criminal Interdiction, Implied Consent, Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT), Specialized Weapons and Tactics (SWAT), GSP Dive Team, Governor's Task Force, and the Regional K-9 Task Force. The Command Officer and his staff are located at the Department of Public Safety Headquarters in Atlanta.

Each troop consists of a communications center responsible and its own Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT).

During the year, the Georgia State Patrol participated in multiple events to facilitate safe driving and decrease fatal crashes. These events included enforcement campaigns, safety presentations, special details, Traffic Enforcement Networks, and partnering with other agencies, including Hands Across the Border, a biannual event sponsored by the Governor's Offices of Highway Safety in Georgia; the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Golden Shield Awards; Crimes Against Children Patrols, centered on a Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) training and federal law enforcement campaign, involving child exploitation and human trafficking; and Stop the Threat, a collaboration Troopers and MCCD Officers in an effort to address traffic violations and crimes involving commercial motor vehicles.

TROOP A is located in northwest Georgia encompassing 14 counties stretches from Gilmer County and Forsyth County lines on an eastern boundary to the Douglas and Carrol County lines and Alabama State Line on a western boundary. The northern boundaries extend to the Tennessee State Line. Troop A consists of the following posts: Post 3 – Cartersville (Bartow and Polk), Post 5 – Dalton (Whitfield and Catoosa), Post 28 – Jasper (Pickens and Cherokee), Post 38 – Rome (Chatooga, Floyd, Polk and Haralson), Post 41 – Lafayette (Dade and Walker), and Post 43 – Calhoun (Gordon and Murray).

TROOP B patrols 20 Northeast Georgia Counties. Troop B members are stationed in five geographic locations: Post 6 – Gainesville (White, Hall and Banks), Post 7 – Toccoa (Rabun, Habersham, Stephens, Franklin and Hart), Post 27 – Blue Ridge (Gilmer, Fannin, Union and Towns), Post 32 – Athens (Barrow, Jackson, Madison, Clarke and Oconee), and Post 37 – Cumming (Lumpkin, Dawson and Forsyth).

TROOP C covers the ever-growing Metropolitan Atlanta area and oversees the day-to-day operations of four patrol posts, a DUI Task Force, a Motorcycle Unit, and the Communications Center located at DPS Headquarters. Troop C Headquarters is located at the Georgia State Patrol Special Operations Center at Charlie Brown Airport. It is also headquarters for the Motor Unit and the State of Georgia SWAT/DIVE Team: Post 9 – Marietta (Cobb and Fulton, North of I-285), Post 47 – Forest Park (Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton, all outside I-285), Post 48 – Atlanta (Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton, inside I-285), Post 49 – Motorcycle Unit (I-285 and the interstate



system within Metro Atlanta), Post 51 – (Gwinnett County), Nighthawks North – (Cobb, Fulton, DeKalb, Clayton, Gwinnett, and Clarke), and the Communications Center – (Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb, Fulton, and Gwinnett, GBI Radio Dispatch, Capitol Police Dispatch, Metro MCCD Dispatch).

TROOP D consists of seven patrol posts, the Troop D Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team, the Middle Georgia Nighthawks DUI Taskforce and the Troop D Communications Center. It covers 20 counties in the central and west-central portion of the state: Post 1 – Griffin (Butts, Henry, and Spalding), Post 2 – LaGrange (Harris and Troup), Post 4 – Villa Rica (Carroll and Douglas), Post 24 – Newnan (Coweta, Heard, and Fayette), Post 26 – Thomaston (Crawford, Pike, Taylor, and Upson), Post 34 – Manchester (Meriwether, Muscogee, and Talbot), Post 44 – Forsyth (Bibb, Lamar, and Monroe), and Nighthawks Middle Georgia (Bibb and Muscogee).

TROOP E is located in the eastern central section of the State of Georgia. The northern end begins in Rockdale County at Interstate 20 and continues south-easterly for approximately 150 miles of the interstate to the Georgia/South Carolina line, ending in Richmond County. The posts that comprise this troop are as follows: Post 8 – Madison (Jasper, Putnam, Morgan, and Greene counties), Post 17 – Washington (Elbert, Oglethorpe, Wilkes, Lincoln, and Taliaferro counties), Post 25 – Grovetown (Glascok, Warren, McDuffie, Columbia and Richmond counties), Post 33 – Milledgeville (Jones, Baldwin, Hancock, and Washington counties), and Post 46 – Monroe (Rockdale, Newton, and Walton counties).

TROOP F encompasses 21 counties which include in these counties are the Georgia State Prison and Rogers State Prison in Reidsville and Smith State Prison in Glennville. Nuclear Power Plant Edwin I Hatch is in Appling County and Nuclear Power Plant Vogtle is in Burke County. The troop also patrols a large majority of I-16: Post 16 – Helena (Jeff Davis, Telfair, Dodge, Wheeler, and Montgomery counties), Post 18 – Reidsville (Appling, Tattnall, and Toombs counties), Post 19 – Swainsboro (Emanuel, Treutlen, Jefferson, and Johnson counties), Post 20 – Dublin (Laurens, Bleckley, Twiggs, and Wilkinson counties), Post 21 – Sylvania (Burke, Jenkins, and Screven counties), and Post 45 – Statesboro (Bulloch, Candler, and Evans counties).

TROOP G consists of five patrol posts that are located in Americus, Thomasville, Colquitt, Cuthbert, and Albany. The five posts in Troop G cover 23 southwest Georgia counties: Post 10 – Americus (Sumter, Schley, Terrell, Webster and Marion counties), Post 12 – Thomasville (Thomas, Grady, Mitchell, and Colquitt counties), Post 14 – Colquitt (Decatur, Early, Miller and Seminole counties), Post 39 – Cuthbert (Calhoun, Clay, Chattahoochee, Quitman, Randolph, and Stewart counties), and Post 40 – Albany (Dougherty, Baker, Lee, and Worth counties).

TROOP H consists of five Patrol Posts encompassing 19 south and middle Georgia counties. There are 152 miles of Interstate 75 within Troop H that stretches through four post territories. This is the greatest number of interstate miles patrolled in the state. Troop H is also home to the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Robins Air Force Base, Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta State University, Fort Valley State University, South Georgia College and Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College: Post 13 – Tifton (Tift, Cook, and Berrien), Post 15 – Perry (Houston, Peach, Macon, and Pulaski), Post 30 – Cordele (Crisp, Dooly, Turner and Wilcox), Post 31 – Valdosta (Lowndes, Brooks, Lanier, and Echols), and Post 36 – Douglas (Coffee, Ben Hill, Irwin, and Atkinson)

TROOP I has five patrol posts that cover 15 Southeast Georgia counties extending from the Georgia/Florida state line to the Georgia/South Carolina state line. It covers all of I-95 through Georgia, as well as portions of I-16 and I-516 in Chatham County. The entire Georgia coastline is located in the Troop I territory. Points of interest and responsibility within the Troop include the Georgia Ports Authority Terminals in Savannah and Brunswick, Savannah International Airport, The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), Kings Bay Naval Base, Hunter Army Airfield, Fort Stewart Army Base, the US Coastguard Marine Safety Office, and the Okefenokee Swamp and Wildlife Refuge: Post 11 – Hinesville (Liberty, Long, and McIntosh), Post 22 – Waycross (Ware, Brantley, Bacon, Clinch, Charlton, and Pierce), Post 23 – Brunswick (Glynn, Camden, and Wayne), Post 35 – Jekyll Island, Post 42 – Rincon (Chatham, Bryan, and Effingham), and Nighthawks South (Bulloch and Chatham).



Troop A	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 3	2,646	19	6,504	7,631	315	7,193
Post 5	2,394	14	6,330	10,109	207	7,447
Post 28	1,287	12	3,293	7,202	92	6,325
Post 29	2,906	24	4,723	10,714	192	7,968
Post 38	565	9	3,678	5,668	143	5,622
Post 41	1,043	8	4,166	5,509	114	4,576
Post 43	1,698	8	6,782	10,386	177	9,526
TOTALS	12,539	94	35,476	57,219	1,240	48,657
Troop B	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 6	3,550	30	12,416	13,876	253	16,572
Post 7	1,063	30	7,560	13,448	229	13,520
Post 27	1,027	26	4,052	7,328	160	7,817
Post 32	1,838	40	9,384	12,039	336	13,228
Post 37	1,689	17	6,624	12,399	223	10,115
Post 52	1,371	17	6,524	9,945	368	12,186
TOTALS	10,538	160	46,560	69,035	1,569	73,438
Troop C	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 9	5,806	3	11,195	10,265	73	9,602
Post 47	1,711	6	7,454	4,494	19	7,344
Post 48	3,161	3	7,385	9,784	125	11,617
Post 49	3,736	2	10,585	3,280	36	6,480
Post 51	3,371	3	12,696	12,295	56	11,735
NH/North	211	5	2,961	5,052	715	5,172
TOTALS	17,996	22	52,276	45,170	1,024	51,950
Troop D	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 1	1,553	14	9,284	9,831	295	14,586
Post 2	1,748	23	7,510	7,709	205	10,336
Post 4	4,785	38	7,248	10,956	315	7,896
Post 24	2,331	21	5,960	6,426	156	8,765
Post 26	548	12	4,631	4,286	156	6,903
Post 34	644	9	5,037	8,671	164	9,300
Post 44	509	5	8,754	7,516	225	10,833
TOTALS	12,118	122	48,424	55,395	1,516	68,619
Troop E	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 8	512	20	2,484	5,231	136	5,228
Post 17	554	2	4,591	6,617	210	8,707
Post 25	2,316	10	6,680	12,457	275	12,392
Post 33	328	18	3,508	6,435	233	7,329
Post 46	1,380	22	5,352	8,272	163	9,428
TOTALS	5,090	72	22,615	39,012	1,017	43,084

Troop F	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 16	537	18	2,500	5,726	145	5,695
Post 18	546	16	3,415	7,816	119	7,680
Post 19	436	17	3,027	5,555	110	5,975
Post 20	663	21	3,342	7,065	116	7,429
Post 21	353	17	4,081	6,182	234	5,748
Post 45	1,372	21	5,075	5,752	348	7,054
	3,907	110	21,440	38,096	1,072	39,581

Troop G	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 10	424	9	3,097	10,266	222	9,308
Post 12	675	35	4,712	8,357	240	9,561
Post 14	419	18	3,135	8,868	214	7,594
Post 39	318	10	2,246	4,367	131	5,237
Post 40	595	18	3,919	7,945	274	7,873
NH/MG	37	0	1,784	4,302	582	4,607
	2,468	90	18,893	44,105	1,663	44,180

Troop H	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 13	1,072	15	8,216	8,584	297	11,082
Post 15	1,636	18	7,466	11,956	218	12,462
Post 30	582	3	8,103	5,454	212	10,595
Post 31	1,411	18	6,807	8,099	311	8,868
Post 36	893	14	5,623	12,563	208	10,602
	5,594	68	36,215	46,656	1,246	53,609

Troop I	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 11	452	20	4,732	6,791	207	8,053
Post 22	494	21	4,071	7,812	215	8,072
Post 23	520	24	6,871	6,812	140	10,099
Post 35	75	0	1,017	1,923	7	2,440
Post 42	452	11	9,751	7,303	342	11,385
NH/South	87	1	4,015	4,506	601	5,820
	2,080	77	30,457	35,147	1,512	45,869

	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
GRAND TOTAL:	72,330	815	312,356	429,835	11,859	468,987

GSP COMMUNICATIONS CENTERS

The GSP Communications Centers across the state handle dispatching duties for all posts assigned to each Troop. In many cases, they also handle calls for Motor Carrier Compliance, Department of Natural Resources, as well as Georgia Bureau of Investigations. Troop C Communications located at Headquarters also handles calls for Capitol Police Services, and Post 50, as well as enter Mattie's and Levi's Calls for GBI, dispatching Capitol Police officers to 911 calls and active alarms, or utilizing Atlanta Police Department's CAD system to dispatch troopers to vehicle crashes.

Communications Centers logged the following calls:

- Troop A - 91,750 calls
- Troop B - 107,511 calls
- Troop C - 228,273 calls
- Troop D - 113,584 calls
- Troop E - 62,858 calls
- Troop F - 65,472 calls
- Troop G - 58,898 calls
- Troop H - 77,943 calls
- Troop I - 78,187 calls



SPECIALIZED COLLISION RECONSTRUCTION TEAM

The mission of the Georgia State Patrol Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT) is to provide a means by which fatal crashes can be investigated thoroughly by specially trained investigators and properly document evidence in collisions to be used for successful court prosecution. SCRT also gathers statistics in order to save lives by avoiding future collisions.

SCRT investigators are stationed strategically throughout the state under each Troop Command to assist field troopers with fatal crashes. These investigators are equipped with the latest technology

and are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. SCRT also assists agencies in the investigation of major incidents when requested. These incidents include: homicide cases, officer involved shootings, fatal crashes, and large crime scenes.

SCRT Teams investigated the following cases in 2017:

- Troop A - 68 cases
- Troop B - 72 cases
- Troop C - 38 cases
- Troop D - 126 cases
- Troop E - 33 cases
- Troop F - 48 cases
- Troop G - 67 cases
- Troop H - 47 cases
- Troop I - 44 cases

SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

The State of Georgia SWAT Team provides a highly trained and skilled tactical team as a resource for all law enforcement agencies in the State of Georgia in resolving critical incidents. The SWAT Team was requested to assist 47 critical incidents during 2017. Some of the incidents were resolved prior to the team's arrival, by the requesting agency, others lasted hours. The majority of the requests were to assist with a barricaded gunman or a hostage situation. Others ranged from woodland searches, VIP security details, warrant services for other government agencies, as well as special requests for security details. Each incident was resolved without any serious harm to a hostage, team member or suspect.

SWAT Dive Team

SWAT includes a Dive Team to assist other agencies with critical incidents, recoveries or any other special need which requires working in water. The State of Georgia Dive Team was requested 13 times during 2017. The majority of requests were to recover a drowning victim. Other requests were for evidence recovery, mostly weapons used in violent crimes.

IMPLIED CONSENT UNIT

The mission of the Implied Consent Unit (ICU) is to effectively train, maintain, and administer the breath alcohol testing and certification program for all law enforcement agencies in the State subject to the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and Georgia Bureau of Investigation Rules and Regulations. ICU members remain on-call around the clock for emergency instrument repairs and courtroom availability. In addition to their regular enforcement responsibilities, ICU members provide a broad range of specialized services designed to complement field operational needs.

These sworn GSP members are responsible for inspecting and maintaining all evidential breath testing devices in the State of Georgia. During 2017, ICU personnel conducted 341 instrument inspections both in Troop C and Troop A and documented over 1,181 hours of service/repair related matters.

In addition to performing regular maintenance and quarterly inspections of these breath testing instruments, the members of ICU provide crucial expert testimony in DUI and DUI-related court cases. ICU members also spent 57 hours in court and other legal proceedings, serving as expert witnesses regarding Intoxilyzer operation, theory and instrumentation. Members also documented 25 PBT repairs that required 10 hours. Major initiatives continued during 2017 included safety program presentations and course training at GOHS Traffic Enforcement Network meetings and the



DPS Portable Breath Test (PBT) device repair and service program. During 2017, members of the Implied Consent Unit documented 25 PBT repairs that required 10 hours.

CRIMINAL INTERDICTION UNIT

The Criminal Interdiction Unit had teams assigned to pro-active patrols concentrating on the I-20 west of Atlanta, I-75 north of Atlanta, I-85 south of Atlanta and I-85 north of Atlanta. One member was assigned to the United States Homeland Security Investigations Department as a Task Force Officer.

CIU members seized 4.44 kilograms of marijuana, two grams of cocaine, 27.62 kilograms of methamphetamine, 291 dosage units of other dangerous drugs, and .05 kilograms of heroin. They seized 39 weapons and located 11 hidden or constructed compartments. They also seized a total of \$482,936. In addition to this, members recovered 164 stolen vehicles with a value of \$2,631,814.

In total, CIU members initiated or assisted in making a total monetary impact of more than \$65,785,050 against organized crime elements operating in the State of Georgia.

During 2017, the Criminal Interdiction Unit members conducted the following activity:

- 138 crash investigations
- 1,119 arrests
- 3,790 warnings
- 11 DUI arrests
- 114 felony drug arrests
- 39 non-drug felony arrests
- 45 misdemeanor drug arrests
- 118 criminal apprehensions
- 522 stranded motorists assisted
- 164 stolen vehicles recovered
- 4,217 total traffic stops conducted

Counter-Terroist Task Force

During 2017, CIU members received advanced training on weapons, and received training in other counter-terrorism related issues. Additionally, there are two troopers from each Troop area that are also assigned to the Counter-Terrorist Task Force and fall under partial Criminal Interdiction Unit control during any designated operations.

NIGHTHAWKS DUI TASK FORCE

The Georgia State Patrol Nighthawks DUI Task Force has been in operation since October of 2004 and is funded by the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety H.E.A.T. grant. The Nighthawks North Task Force patrols the five Metro-Atlanta counties of Cobb, Clayton, Gwinnett, DeKalb, and Fulton. The Task Force concentrates on the apprehension of impaired drivers during the peak hours when statistics have shown DUI-related incidents occur. The Nighthawks North Unit also responds to agency assistance calls within the Troop C territory during the overnight hours. Members investigate crashes, perform traffic control, execute legal blood draws, perform medical relays, help to control crime scenes and assist in the apprehension of dangerous criminals. Unit members also perform impaired driving investigations, at the request of local agencies, when additional training is required. During 2017, the Nighthawks North Task Force made 715 DUI arrests, investigated 211 crashes with five of those being fatal, issued 2,961 citations, 5,052 traffic warnings, and conducted 5,172 vehicle stops during the year.

In late Fall 2009, the Nighthawks DUI Task Force South was created to perform DUI enforcement in Bulloch and Chatham counties and is based out of Post 42 - Rincon. The unit works peak hours

when most DUI offenders are on the roadway in order to combat the problem of impaired driving. Nighthawk Troopers assisted the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department and Tybee Island Police Department with road checks and traffic control during major events. They assisted with a DRE detail at the MCCC Scales. Nighthawks South Troopers issued 4,015 arrests and 4,506 warnings, while conducting 5,820 traffic stops. Among those were 601 arrests for DUI; 506 arrests for occupant restraint violations; and 2,669 contacts for speeding. Nighthawks South Troopers road checked for 263 total hours during 2017. These road checks produced numerous arrests, including many for impaired driving. Troopers investigated 87 crashes, one of which resulted in one fatality.

In Spring 2012, another Nighthawks DUI Task Force was created in Middle Georgia. This task force focuses its enforcement on impaired driving in Macon and Columbus. Nighthawks Middle Georgia DUI Task Force is assigned six troopers. The Task Force investigated 37 crashes, made 1,784 arrests, including 582 DUI arrests, and performed 4,607 traffic stops.





FIELD OPERATIONS

CAPITOL POLICE DIVISION



Officers with the Capitol Police Division (CPD) investigate criminal incidents and traffic crashes; manage street closures for events; patrol the streets on Capitol Square and those adjacent to other state buildings; provide courtroom security for Georgia's Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; conduct security assessments and surveillance detection; and deliver personal safety training for state employees and others.



The Department of Public Safety's Capitol Police Division is tasked with the responsibility of providing primary law enforcement and security duties for the Georgia State Capitol, the Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Judicial Building, Sloppy Floyd Towers, Two Peachtree, and all other state owned buildings located on Capitol Hill. These buildings house constitutional, legislative, and judicial officers of the state, in addition to the state employees that occupy offices in each of these buildings.

The Capitol Police Division is comprised of three units: Capitol Police Services, Georgia State Patrol Post 5 - Capitol Hill, and Capitol Hill Security. The Capitol Police Services section responds to public safety issues, and secure and protect the state's asset, resources, personnel and visitors on Capitol Hill.

Post 50 - Capitol Hill troopers provide security for all buildings on Capitol Hill by conducting patrols in and

around the Capitol Hill buildings. The Capitol Hill Safety Officers control and monitor access to the State Capitol, four state buildings, and several loading dock areas. This includes screening all incoming packages, deliveries, and mail. They provide security for all elected officials, state employees and visitors at the State Capitol. Post 50 is also required to secure the Georgia Court of Appeals, Georgia Supreme Court, and the Coverdale Legislative Office Building, and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budgeting building.

The division instituted several security upgrades to the buildings on Capitol Hill in 2017. The addition of two new visitor management systems in the 270 Washington and 47 Trinity buildings made the security screening process more efficient. Consultations with the Georgia Building Authority regarding the vulnerability of un-manned doors resulted in the installation of access card reader turnstiles to eliminate unauthorized entry into the state capitol.

CONTRACT SECURITY

The Capitol Police Division also oversees private security personnel through Dynamic Security, Inc. Dynamic Security has a site manager and forty-one uniformed unarmed guards, who monitor and control access to other state facilities on Capitol Hill. These buildings include the Two Peachtree Street building, the Sloppy Floyd Building (Twin Towers), One Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive building (GBA), and the Judicial Courtyard.

CAPITOL HILL EOD K9 TEAM

The Capitol Hill EOD K9 Team consists of four canines and their handlers. This team is responsible for responding to suspicious package notifications and bomb threats on Capitol Hill. They also proactively sweep the Capitol, the Governor's Mansion, and other state buildings routinely. They assist other law enforcement agencies throughout the state with bomb threats upon request. The unit conducted 676 sweeps and responded to 51 suspicious package/bomb threat call outs. Additionally, the unit completed 1,142 training hours and staged 23 K9 demonstrations in 2017. The teams also assisted Troop C and the Secret Service with several presidential visits.

LEGISLATIVE DETAIL

Each year, beginning in January, the Capitol Police Division is delegated the responsibility of monitoring and providing security for the Legislative Session of the Georgia General Assembly. There were six sworn officers assigned to the 2017 Legislative Session detail under the supervision of the Assistant Director for the Capitol Police Division Command.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Capitol Police Division's Communication personnel receive all radio traffic for calls for service, monitor surveillance video, parking decks alarms, and building elevator systems. Furthermore, they manage building access controls, conduct security background checks, and monitor all of the duress alarms in place on Capitol Hill.

MAIL SERVICES

The Capitol Police Division Mail Services Unit consists of one supervisor and one employee. The unit is not only responsible for the distribution of mail within the division, but are also tasked with screening all incoming mail for the offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Legislature, and Supreme Court. In 2017, the unit screened 88,680 parcels.

SPECIAL DETAILS AND EVENTS

The Capitol Police Division headquarters building includes a 297-person capacity auditorium. The auditorium is available for use for DPS events and may also be reserved by other state agencies. Numerous state agencies, including the department, have held training sessions, ceremonies, and conferences in the auditorium throughout the year. In 2017, 45 events were scheduled and held within the auditorium.

Major events held around Capitol Hill included the Women's March and the dedication of the new Martin Luther King, Jr. statue. Post 50 troopers assisted Capitol Police officers with traffic control and patrols and maintained order, preventing damage to the Capitol Hill area.

There were an additional 340 events requiring security and police presence in 2017 on Capitol Hill. Listed below are a portion of the larger events that required Capitol Police, GSP Post 50, and safety officer staffing:

- January 23, 2017- Georgia Right to Life March (2500 people)
- February 15, 2017- Economic Justice Day at the Capitol (500 people)
- February 16, 2017- Georgia Against Domestic Violence (500 people)
- March 8, 2017- International Women's Day (350 people)

- March 15, 2017- Homeschool Day at the Capitol (1800 people)
- March 29, 2017- Trump United for America Rally (300 people)
- April 20, 2017- 420 Rally (500 people)
- April 21, 2017- We Stand With God (3000 people)
- October 10, 2017- Atlanta Power Hour for #NoMuslimBanEver (300 people)
- November 12, 2017- Atlanta 2-Day Walk for Breast Cancer (1000 people)

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

Sworn Officer Activity	
Arrests from Traffic Stops	1384
Vehicle Stops	3,669
Suspicious Package, Persons, and Vehicle Reports	798
Traffic Crashes	424
Calls for Service	3,759
Non-Sworn Security Activity	
Security Location Checks (non-sworn officers)	47,102
Unsecured Doors	106
Unlocked Building Doors	0
Unlocked Parking Decks and Courtyard Areas	1,085
Communications Activity	
Duress Alarms Answered	70
Fire Alarms Answered	43
Elevator Entrapments	82
GCIC Hits	113



FIELD OPERATIONS

MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE



The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performs driver and vehicle inspections of commercial motor vehicles at roadsides, inspection stations, and at carriers' terminals. The inspections range from "full" vehicle and driver inspections, which includes mechanical components, to "driver only" inspections. These may also include inspections of vehicles transporting hazardous materials.



The Motor Carrier Compliance Division is divided into 22 weigh stations within nine geographic regions and two specialized units. One Specialized Unit, operating within Region 3, is the HOV/HOT Enforcement Unit. This unit is located in the Metro Atlanta Area at 320 Chester Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia. The other specialized unit is the Safety Compliance Unit which consists of the New Entrant Safety Audit, Compliance Review, and School Bus Safety identified as Region 10. Region 10's office is located in Madison, Georgia. The administrative staff for MCCD is located at the Headquarters for the Department of Public Safety in Atlanta. As of December 31, MCCD had 242 officers and 40 weight inspectors.

The primary focus of Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) is the enhancement of highway safety in regards to commercial motor vehicles. MCCD officers perform in-depth complex safety inspections of the commercial vehicle, its operator, and the load to ensure that they pose no identifiable risk to the safety of the motoring public.

Size and Weight Enforcement: Enforcement of laws and regulations relating to size and weight of commercial motor vehicles and loads are provided for in Article 2 of Chapter 6 of title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The operation of 19 permanent weigh/inspection stations provides enforcement coverage on the interstates and related by-pass routes. The utilization of MCCD officers allows for monitoring and enforcement efforts on other roadways within the state.

Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Program: The commercial vehicle safety program is outlined in the Commercial Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP), our annual Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) grant statement to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). The CVSP contains five required program areas: Driver/Vehicle Inspections, Traffic Enforcement, Compliance Reviews, Public Information and Education, and Data Collection.

REGION 1 is responsible for 17 counties located in the northwest corner of the state. Region 1 operation centers around the Catoosa County Inspection Stations located on I-75 mile marker 343. Region 1 conducted 23 educational outreach training sessions with both industry and municipal and county law enforcement personnel. Region 1 also holds the semi-annual Georgia Motor Trucking Association event at the southbound weigh station. Region One responded to Hurricane Irma and the tornado detail in Albany.

REGION 2 responsibilities consist of the safety of the general public especially those who travel on Georgia's roadways. Region 2's territory includes 21 counties located in Northeast Georgia and along the Interstate 85 and I-20 corridor from the South Carolina state line thru the metro area of Gwinnett County. Region 2 Operations Centers are Station 4 located on Interstate 85 North mile marker 171 and Station 3 located on Interstate 85 South mile marker 169.

REGION 3 is responsible for 9 counties located in the Metro Atlanta area, and includes HOV and HOT operations, under Station 7-Metro. Region 3 operations center around the Douglas County Inspection Station, located on I-20 eastbound at mile marker 43 and the Carroll County Inspection Station located on I-20 westbound at mile marker 15 as well as the Chester Avenue location of Station 7.

REGION 4 is responsible for 18 counties in east Middle Georgia. Region 4 operations center is at the Columbia County Inspection Stations on I-20 at mile markers 187 and 188. Region 4 also participated in winter events in Atlanta such as salt truck escorts, also participated disaster in Albany and contra flow in Chatham and Bryan Counties. Region 4 officer participated with Riot control in Atlanta as well.

REGION 5 is responsible for 18 counties in West Georgia with operations centering around the Troup County Inspection Stations located on Interstate 85, mile marker 23. The region currently has 17 officers and two civilian weight inspectors. Region 5 Officers assisted the citizens of Georgia with power lines down and debris from Hurricane Irma. Also, they assisted in the snow detail in Atlanta in early January 2017 with escorting brine and salt trucks.

REGION 6 is responsible for 22 counties in Central Georgia. Region operations are based in Monroe County, with offices at GSP Post 44 and the inspection stations on I-75, mile marker 190 in Forsyth. Region 6 conducted over 14 concentrated enforcement details; Speed Enforcement Patrols, Occupant Protection Checks, High Priority traffic enforcement, stop the Threat (STT) and Impaired Driving Details to meet the department's strategic plan goals.

REGION 7 is responsible for 18 counties located in South East Georgia. Operations center around the Bryan County Inspection Station located on I-16 mile marker 144 and the Chatham County Inspection Station located on I-95 mile marker 111. Within Region 7 are three counties listed in the top 15 Georgia counties with fatalities involving Commercial Motor Vehicles. Region 7 conducts "Concentrated" enforcement efforts in these High Crash Corridor areas. Region 7 held 17 campaigns Stop The Threat and Safe Drive 95 concentrating on traffic enforcement on and around commercial motor vehicles.

REGION 8 is responsible for 20 counties in South Central and South West Georgia. The Lowndes





County Inspection Stations are located on I-75, mile marker 23 and there is one semi-permanent inspection station located on GA 273 Spur in Early County. Three officers attended the first MCCD School at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, GA.

REGION 9 consists of 16 southeast Georgia counties with two permanent inspection stations located on I-95 NB and SB mile marker 55 in McIntosh County. The Region also has a Satellite Station on Georgia 38 in Long County. Region 9 officers participated in 10 safety outreach events, including the Georgia Motor Trucking Association Truck Check., Southeastern Wood Producers meeting and judicial outreach programs to the court systems in the region. Officers provided seminars and public safety information to trucking companies in reference to regulations and general safety issues. Officers also conducted courtesy vehicle inspections on all Georgia Forestry Commission tractors and trailers.

REGION 10 responsibilities include Compliance Review and Safety Audits. Region 10 conducted 208 Compliance Reviews and 1,232 Safety Audits on carriers throughout the state. Officers and civilians had 82 enforcement cases resulting in \$527,637.00 dollars in civil penalties. Region 10 is also responsible for handling complaints against motor carriers who fail to comply with FMCSA regulations. In 2017, Region 10 investigated approximately 26 complaints.

MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

	Overweight Assessments	Total Funds for Assessments	Safety Inspections	Traffic Citations	Drivers Out of Service	Vehicles Out of Service
Region 1	2,629	\$ 409,495.00	7,510	3,122	322	163
Region 2	4,979	\$ 643,435.00	8,242	2,959	702	945
Region 3	4,144	\$ 640,353.50	12,706	6,900	See note	See note
Region 4	2,169	\$380,138.00	7,100	2,112	136	133
Region 5	3,551	\$449,732.00	6,658	3,134	457	1,124
Region 6	3,114	\$563,861.00	11,019	3,694	542	429
Region 7	4,747	\$869,817.00	13,563	2,507	381	307
Region 8	3,817	\$631,410.50	8,008	1,815	235	235
Region 9	2,052	\$356,544.00	11,223	3,740	349	478

NOTE: Region 3's Metro Unit regularly conducts HOV operations and Inner Perimeter details in addition to standard Motor Carrier duties. Station 7 issued 1,299 HOV/HOT citations during the year.



Annual Statistics

Department of Public Safety Motor Carrier Compliance Division

Law Enforcement Statistics

Safety Inspections CY 2017

CVSA Certified Officers	267
Inspections	89,689
Out-of-service Vehicle Violations	22,365
Out-of-service Driver Violations	7,011

Size & Weight CY 2017

Total Trucks Weighed	7,796,695
Overweight Assess. Written	30,682
UTC's Written	6,215

High Occupancy Vehicle CY 2017

HOV/HOT Citation Arrest	1,299
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Commercial Bus Inspections CY 2017

Commercial Bus Inspections	1,371
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School Bus Inspections CY 2017

School Bus Inspections	19,954	Safety Violations	25,660
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TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Both nationally and statewide, unsafe commercial driver behavior is linked to most at-fault commercial vehicle crashes. Therefore, all MCCD officers routinely perform traffic enforcement duties statewide. MCCD officers use both LIDAR and RADAR to detect speeding violations. MCCD officers also enforce all criminal and traffic laws to ensure compliance with commercial vehicle safety laws, rules, and regulations.

COMMERCIAL DRIVER-VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

The department receives several federal grants from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to conduct commercial driver-vehicle inspections and related activities statewide. These inspections must be performed in accordance within the guidelines set forth by FMCSA and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA).

A safety compliance inspection includes the examination of driver's license; Medical Examiner's Certificate and Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate (if applicable); alcohol and drugs; driver's record of duty status, as required; hours of service; seat belt; vehicle inspection report(s) (if applicable); brake systems; cargo securement; coupling devices; driveline/driveshaft; exhaust systems; frames; fuel systems; lighting devices (headlamps, tail lamps, stop lamps, turn signals and lamps/flags on projecting loads); steering mechanisms; suspensions; tires; van and open-top trailer bodies; wheels, rims and hubs; windshield wipers; buses, motor coaches, passenger vans or other passenger-carrying vehicles – emergency exits, electrical cables and systems in engine and battery compartments, seating, Hazardous Materials/Dangerous Goods (HM/DG) and specification cargo tank requirements, as applicable. HM/DG required inspection items will only be inspected by certified HM/DG and cargo tank inspectors, as applicable.

MCCD officers are trained and certified by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) to perform these safety compliance inspections. Further, in regard to this inspection related training, all MCCD Officers are trained to a national uniform criteria which helps guarantee that the safety inspections performed by our officers are substantially the same as those conducted by other state law enforcement officers throughout the nation. MCCD safety compliance inspections are conducted on the roadside through commercial vehicle traffic stops, as well as at fixed site inspection stations throughout Georgia.

Additionally, based upon this inspection data, Georgia's Commercial Driver Out-Of-Service Rate is 6.71% and Georgia's Commercial Vehicle Out-Of-Service Rate is 24.55%. Nationally, the Out-of-Service Rate cumulatively for all states is as follows: Driver 5.12%; Vehicle: 20.73%.

During this Calendar Year, MCCD officers also inspected 10,136 shipments of hazardous material transported on the roadways of Georgia. Of the shipments of hazardous materials inspected, MCCD officers discovered 2,134 hazardous material transportation violations, and 482 Out-Of-Service violations.

SIZE AND WEIGHT ENFORCEMENT

A critical component of MCCD duties and responsibilities is the protection of the state's highway infrastructure (roads and bridges). Accordingly, MCCD enforces Georgia laws, rules, and regulations relating to size and weight of commercial motor vehicles and the loads thereon. Such laws are provided for in Article 2 of Chapter 6 of title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. MCCD operates of 20 permanent weigh/inspection stations in Georgia, which includes 19 permanent stations on interstate highways, and one semi-permanent station on GA 273 Spur in Early County, GA. MCCD provides size and weight enforcement coverage on both interstate and non-interstate highways in Georgia.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE SECTION

The Regulatory Compliance Section is responsible for the issuance of certificates and permits for the Passenger Carrier, Household Goods, Transportation Referral Services, and Non-Consensual Towing





Programs for intrastate motor carriers in Georgia. In addition to the primary responsibilities of the program managers, educational outreach classes and program specific training sessions are routinely performed. Also, this unit is responsible for registering companies with Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) and Georgia Intrastate Motor Carrier (GIMC) Registration. This gives these companies authority to haul commercially in interstate and/or intrastate commerce.

Non-Consensual Towing

Non-Consensual Towing regulates towing companies that tow illegally parked vehicles on private property. Non-Consensual Towing has one full time employee, who is responsible for regulating over 300 Non-Consensual Towing companies. There were 36 new towing permits issued, and 13 consent agreements were sent to noncompliant towing companies. There were 31 complaints that were investigated and 52 cease and desist orders were issued for 2017.

Household Goods

Household Goods regulates intrastate moving companies. This section has one full time employee. There are 244 active household good carriers registered with the department. There are currently two carriers suspended for violations of the Household Goods rules and tariff regulations. There were 31 permanent certificates issued after mandatory desk audits of the companies records were completed, there were 15 interim certificates issued. There was a total of 29 audits completed, with 110 civil penalties issued and 17 complaints investigated. There were 10 training sessions conducted for 2017.

For Hire Transportation Services

For-Hire Transportation services are companies like Uber, Lyft, and taxi companies that provide transportation to individuals for a fee. This unit has one full time employee that handles all the registrations for For-Hire Transportation services. This past year, there were 709 licenses issued to Transportation Referral Service Providers and 21 complaints reviewed.

Passenger Carrier and Limousines Section

The Passenger Carrier and Limousine section is responsible for handling approximately over 1,200 passenger and limousine carrier accounts. In 2017, this section issued 22 new permits, 18 interim passenger certificates, and 73 interim limousine certificates. There were 62 audits performed and nine Cease and Desist Orders issued and five complaints investigated. There were also 22 consent agreements issued, and 12 training sessions conducted for 2017.

Unified Carrier Registration and Georgia Intrastate Motor Carrier Registration Section

The Unified Carrier Registration and Georgia Intrastate Motor Carrier Registration (UCR/GIMC) Section is responsible for the registration of over 7,800 carriers for GIMC, and over 21,400 carriers for UCR registration. The UCR/GIMC registration provides intrastate and interstate carriers operating authority to haul goods and services in and through the state of Georgia.

OVERWEIGHT CITATION SECTION

The Overweight Citations Section receives payments from carriers that that have been issued civil citations for violating Georgia weight law limitations. Additionally, Georgia law provides for the impounding of violating vehicles when assessment fees remain unpaid. This section manages the impound program and provides remedies that may allow carriers to simultaneously operate their business and pay delinquent fines. Overweight Citations receives and processes carrier request for administrative law hearings to contest overweight assessments. In 2017, Overweight Citations collected \$123,582 for impounded vehicles.

SAFETYNET PROGRAM SECTION

The SafetyNet Section is responsible for handling all commercial driver-vehicle inspection reports generated by the MCCD (Motor Carrier Compliance Division) under the FMCSA MCSAP Basic Grant. Any violations noted on the inspection reports are required to be corrected by the motor carrier within 15 days and returned to SafetyNet. The returned inspections are then certified by the staff in the SafetyNet database. Original and certified reports are filed and maintained by the unit for a period of three years. SafetyNet handles the import and upload of all inspection reports to the Federal MCMIS (Motor Carrier Management Information System) database. SafetyNet staff monitors and audits driver inspection reports conducted by approximately 267 MCCD officers certified to conduct driver vehicle inspections in the ten regions located geographically around the state. The SafetyNet unit acts as a support mechanism to all of the MCCD officers, motor carrier industry, and the general public. The SafetyNet unit houses all crash data on commercial vehicle through an interface with the Georgia Department of Transportation's contractor, Lexis-Nexis. This data is also uploaded to the federal database. The State of Georgia is currently ranked 4th in the nation for fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in the nation.

Additionally, commercial vehicle crash analysis is used to identify crash trends and to allocate resources in an effort to reduce the number of crashes occurring in the State. Crash trends include identifying and mapping roadways, day and time segments, and crash causation factors on all commercial vehicle crashes. These trends act as a tool for Region Commanders to concentrate and deploy officers to locations that show a high number of crashes. Additional analysis of enforcement activities and identifying which activities have impact on the crash rate is necessary component of any safety plan. The supervisor for this unit is responsible for the preparation and evaluation of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP), which is required annually by FMCSA for MCSAP funding. In addition, the supervisor prepares FCMSA High Priority (HP) grant requests for federal grant monies

and prepares quarterly and annual reports on each specific grant. In addition, the Supervisor compiles and disseminates monthly reports for the command staff at headquarters and each of the 10 region commanders.

DATA Q'S SECTION

This section is responsible for handling all safety and crash Data Q challenges for the state. This officer reviews driver/vehicle examination reports and/or crash reports for accuracy and completeness. If a motor carrier has a problem or an issue with the inspection report or crash report then the officer will review all the data associated with the report and make a determination if the violation/issue discovered is to remain, be corrected, or completely removed from the inspection/crash report. This past year there was a total of 1,755 Data Q's challenges reviewed with 382 corrections and 997 with no corrections. There were 376 Data Q's with Adjudicated Citations reviewed.

This program is one of the five elements of the MCSAP plan. Compliance Review has officers and civilians who are cross-trained to conduct safety audits and conduct both interstate and intrastate safety compliance reviews. These on-site examinations of motor carrier operations include reviewing driver's hours of service, maintenance and inspection of vehicles, driver qualification files, controlled substance and alcohol testing, CDL requirements, financial responsibility, accidents, hazardous materials, and other safety and transportation records. This review is intended to provide information to evaluate the safety performance and regulatory compliance of a company's operation. This unit is also responsible for the preparation of civil penalty cases for prosecution of serious safety violations found during these reviews. All compliance review officers and civilians are trained in Compliance, Safety, and Accountability (CSA).

NEW ENTRANT PROGRAM

The New Entrant program is responsible for performing safety audits on new interstate motor carriers based in Georgia within 12 months, (four months for passenger carriers) of receipt of new entrant registration. The Safety Audit Unit is comprised of officers and civilian who are cross-trained to conduct compliance reviews and CSA investigations.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY UNIT

The School Bus Safety Unit is responsible for conducting safety inspections on approximately 19,954 public school buses statewide. The unit also conducts inspections on over 600 Head Start buses annually. In addition to the primary responsibility of bus inspections, other responsibilities include conducting safety meetings and performing commercial motor vehicle inspections. The school bus officers are not assigned to Region 10 but we are responsible for collecting the inspections, reporting and maintaining the data.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM

This program involves extensive educational outreach by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division to the general public, drivers, carriers, industry groups, law enforcement agencies and the judiciary. MCCD distributes over 62 separate informational brochures and handouts on commercial vehicle safety topics. This information is distributed by the officers at the weigh stations to the general public. Our regional officers work closely with The Georgia Motor Trucking Association, the general public and are also responsible for arranging and attending functions that focus on the commercial motor vehicle industry and the general public.

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Media PSAs

METRO UNIT (STATION 7)

Station 7 is a component of Region 3. This unit is responsible for performing duties relative to the

commercial vehicle safety mission, but also includes enforcing lane restriction laws inside the I-285 perimeter, as well as HOV and HOT lane restrictions. HOV lane operations are currently conducted by 12 officers (including unit supervisors) who are responsible for patrolling over 100 HOV & HOT lane miles in the metro Atlanta area. HOT lanes went into effect October 2011. HOT lanes have been assigned four full-time officers patrolling the I-85 and Hwy 316 corridor. The effort put forth by these officers is designed to ensure compliance with HOV and HOT lane restrictions, thus improving air quality and traffic mitigation in Metro Atlanta. These officers also conduct Motor Carrier Safety inspections and enforce truck lane restrictions in the metro Atlanta Area as well as other agency assistance, traffic control assistance and enforcement regarding violations of all other state laws when encountered during the course of their assigned duties.

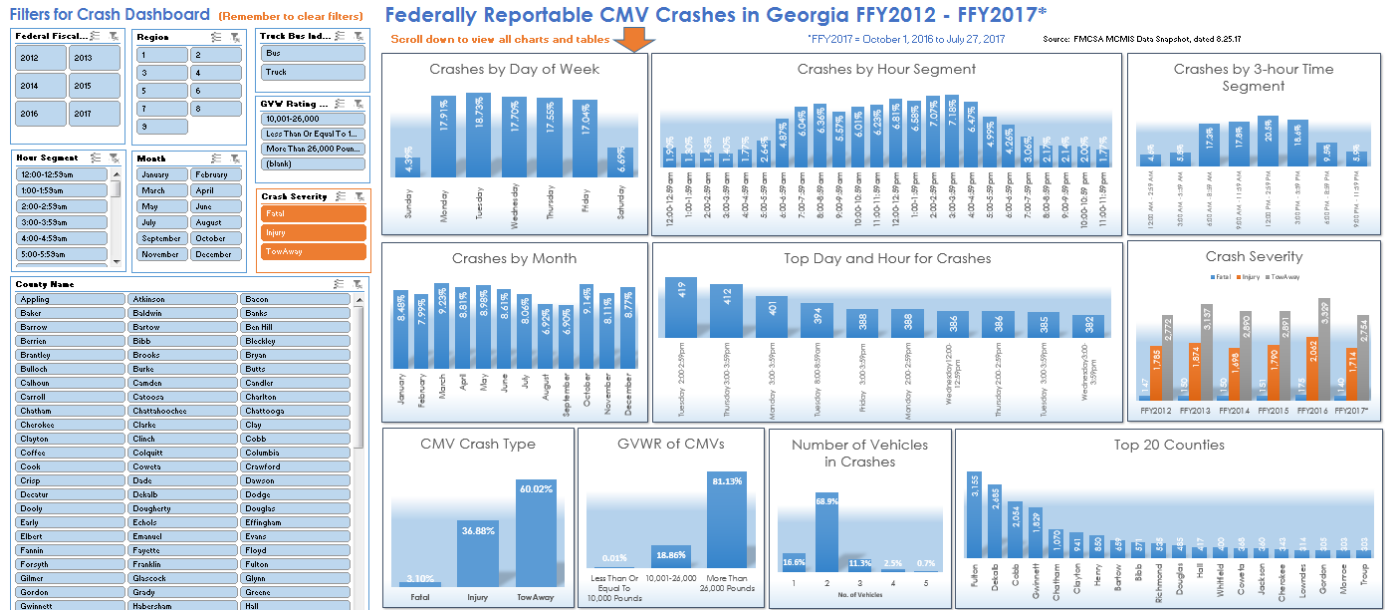
CMV AWARENESS AND ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

MCCD's Commercial Motor Vehicle Awareness and Enforcement educational course is a two-hour presentation specifically tailored to Georgia law enforcement officers that are not typically assigned to commercial motor vehicle enforcement duties. The course is designed to enhance the knowledge and skills required to reduce commercial motor vehicle related crashes and injuries. The curriculum includes: methods for the proper identification of commercial motor vehicles and their carriers; information collection for crash reporting; common commercial motor vehicle crash causations; and commercial motor vehicle crash prevention through enforcement to include distracted driving and following too closely enforcement. Georgia law specific to commercial motor vehicles is also discussed with printed materials disseminated for future independent reference. A question and answer session is provided at the conclusion of the presentation for any additional commercial motor vehicle enforcement questions that may arise. MCCD has trained over 1,000 county and municipal law enforcement officers in traffic enforcement specific to commercial motor vehicles.

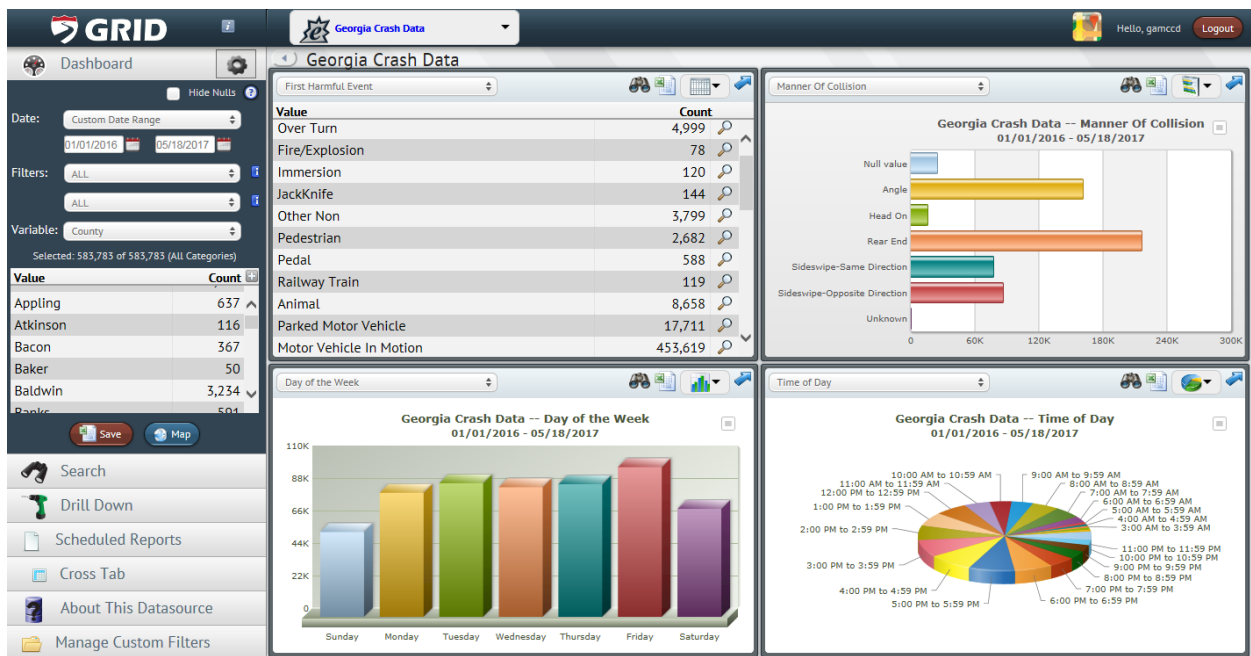


TRAFFIC CRASH ANALYTICS

- As part of CMV crash reduction effort, DPS hired an analyst to study and chart CMV crashes by county, region, time of day, and day of week.
- Regional command staff is periodically provided with crash dashboards that identify crash trends. Such dashboards are routinely used to schedule STT events, as well as to schedule daily enforcement and patrol operations.



Additionally, the department received a FMCSA High Priority Grant to develop a traffic crash analytical program called GRID, which provides us with the ability to study crash causation as well as many other factors involved in fatal, injury, and other type crashes involving both commercial motor vehicles and passenger vehicles (cars and light trucks).



OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**Accounting**

The Accounting Section is responsible for maintaining the DPS accounting books and records for the Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol and four attached agencies. The section consists of accounts payable, accounts receivable/revenue, payroll, grants, and general ledger activity. The amount of revenue for the Overweight Citations Unit that was transferred to the State Treasury was \$5,170,677.76 for Fiscal Year 2017.

Revenue received from the Motorcycle Patrol Unit for Fiscal Year 2017:

Atlanta Municipal Court:	\$111,821.46
DeKalb State Court:	\$14,394.94
DeKalb Recorders Court:	\$64,569.36
Fulton Magistrate Court:	\$309,885.00
Total:	\$500,670.76

The Accounts Payable section processed 6,998 checks and 12,052 electronic funds transfers. The department remitted surplus from State and Other Funds back to the State Treasury in the amount of \$85,632.16.

Payroll

The Payroll Office is responsible for maintaining all payroll related reports and processing payroll twice a month for the Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol and four attached agencies. Payroll is also responsible for balancing and issuing W-2s to all current and former employees of DPS and the attached agencies. In 2017, 2,149 W-2s were issued.

Grants

Grants include writing grants, preparing the reimbursement claims, maintaining budgets, and adhering to federal guidelines on spending. The section also manages all projections and expenditures throughout the year for grants:

Administrative License Suspension Program & Nighthawks: In SFY 2008, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) combined the Administrative License Suspension Program with the Nighthawk DUI Task Force into one grant for \$725,100. This funding continues providing legal assistance to State Troopers at civil hearings for DUI suspension of driver licenses. The grant provides for one attorney, one paralegal, travel related to court appearances, and administrative support services. This grant also continues to provide funding for the operation of multiple DUI Task Forces. The Nighthawks Unit North is focused on the five-county metropolitan area, the Nighthawks Unit Middle Georgia is focused primarily on the Macon area, and the Nighthawks Unit South is primarily focused on the Chatham and Bulloch County areas. The units conduct concentrated patrols, road checks, and provide educational information to the public as part of their outreach efforts. The grant provides funding for 20 troopers, a unit secretary, and other operational expenses. The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 grant, for both units combined, was \$3,155,577.20.

K-9 Explosive Ordnance Disposal: Grant funds of \$6,000.00 were awarded from The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol-Capitol Police Explosives Detection Dogs supplies.

SWAT/Dive Team: Grant funds, amounting in \$74,980.00, awarded from the GEMA to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol SWAT/Dive Team supplies.

K-9 Regional Task Force: The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) awarded \$352,199.00 to provide continuation funding for the Regional K-9 Task Force. The grant provides funding for the unit commander, seven deputies, a secretary, and veterinary expenses. The DPS only retained \$52,829.85 and passed the remaining funds to the Chatham County Sheriff's Office.

Governor's Task Force: The Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) awarded \$600,000.00 to provide air and ground search and destroy missions for marijuana eradication efforts in Georgia.

Overtime Reimbursements: In SFY 2017, DPS (Georgia State Patrol) worked with various federal agencies and received reimbursement of overtime expenses and other law enforcement expenses related to joint operations. The federal agencies or programs that the DPS conducts joint operation with are Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Justice, and Atlanta-Carolinas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program. During SFY 2017, DPS was reimbursed \$144,817.61 for overtime expenses.

Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP): Effective July 1, 2005, the Department of Motor Vehicle Safety was reorganized per House Bill 501, and the DPS was designated the lead MCSAP agency for the State of Georgia. During SFY 2017, MCSAP funding was granted in the amount of \$8,347,549.97. The mission of the MCSAP program is to improve commercial motor vehicle safety on Georgia's highways by reducing crashes, fatalities, and injuries. Each year, new goals and objectives were outlined in a Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Plan and monitored throughout the plan year. During calendar year 2017, the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performed 89,374 commercial motor vehicle inspections.

New Entrant Program: MCCD is responsible for conducting the New Entrant Program for the State of Georgia. Pursuant to federal regulations, within 18 months of a receipt of New Entrant registration, a motor carrier based in Georgia must undergo a safety audit performed by the MCCD. The audit ensures that the motor carrier has complied with the minimum safety standards necessary to continue operating after initially receiving a USDOT number. For FFY 2017, MCCD was awarded \$1,402,238.03. During the FFY 2017, MCCD officers performed 1,232 safety audits.

High Priority Grants: MCCD received a high priority grant during SFY 2017 for \$661,452.00.

Operation Stop the Threat (STT): This portion of the award is for the purpose of The "Operation Stop the Threat" campaign shall focus enforcement efforts on the leading crash causation factors. By design, "Operation Stop the Threat" shall serve as a high visibility, crash elimination effort to reduce fatal crashes involving commercial motor vehicles in the identified corridors within in the scope of this grant proposal.

Procurement

Procurement is responsible for procuring the goods and services needed for the Department of Public Safety (DPS) personnel to carry out its mission. The procurement may be through open market purchases, statewide contracts, established agency contracts or bidding out the service or goods. There are three agencies administratively attached to DPS. Procurement handles the procurement for all but two, the GA Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) and the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety (GOHS).

During the period January 1 through December 31, 2017, the following purchase orders were processed:

- 5,885 purchase orders were processed for a total of \$59,811,832.83 by DPS overall
- 2,935 purchase orders were processed for a total of \$48,806,941.77 by DPS and two attached agencies DPS processes their POs
- Increase in DPS # of POs due to DOAS SPD pcard restrictions applied April 2017
- 28 bids were processed by DPS and all attached agencies
- 17 bids were processed by DPS, 1 bid by DOAS SPD
- 3 Request for Information were processed by DPS
- 1 RFP was begun in 2017 and awarded in 2018

Breakdown of PO types for DPS and all attached agencies:

TYPE	COUNT PO NO.
Agency Contracts	338
Sole Brand	0
Sole Source	4
ACPiggyback	8
Construct	1
Exempt	468
Intergovernment	111
Mandatory	85
Multi PO	0
Open Mkt	2,287
EMER	2
SWCC	1,714
SWCM	867
TOTAL	5,885

Excess Property

1033 Program: Under Section 1033 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 1997, the Secretary of Defense may transfer to State and Local Agencies property that is determined suitable for law enforcement activities from the Department of Defense (DOD). The Georgia 1033 Program enables Georgia Law Enforcement agencies to participate in this program and acquire DOD equipment to support law enforcement activities under the aforementioned Federal Guidelines 10.U.S.C. 2576a.

There are currently 910 agencies listed in the Excess Property database eligible to participate in 1033 Excess Property. These agencies include police departments, sheriff departments, drug task forces, marshal offices, and state law enforcement agencies.

In 2017, 330 agencies participated in the 1033 Excess Property Program. The total value of property distributed was 12,743,479.07. Since the beginning of the Excess Property Program, September 1, 1991 to present, \$74,989,300.94 worth of equipment has been distributed to law enforcement agencies in Georgia.

Excess Property provides 1033 training the second Tuesday of each month, at the Excess Property Office. During 2017, there were 104 attendees in the training classes. Excess Property conducted 54 audits of the law enforcement agencies that participate in the program. During 2017, two agencies were suspended and reinstated. One agency had a rifle stolen from a patrol vehicle, the other agency had property missing.

1122 Program: The authority for the 1122 Program resides with the Department of Defense. The 1122 Program offers Americans peace of mind by enabling state and units of local government access to federal sources of supply to purchase equipment in support of counter-drug, homeland security and emergency response activities. The Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 amended 10 U.S.C. 381, to expand the procurement authority under the 1122 Program beyond counter-drug activities, to include equipment for homeland security and emergency response activities.

This program affords state and local government agencies the opportunity to take advantage of discounts available to the Federal government due to its large volume purchases. The implementation of this program allows state and local government agencies to efficiently utilize appropriated funds and save millions of dollars. Some benefits of the program include discounts from 10 to 80 percent when purchasing equipment suitable for counter-drug, homeland security, or emergency response activities. During 2017, Excess Property provided 913 quotes and purchased \$11,317,265.39 in equipment. This office also purchase 34 vehicles through this program. The division also provided 1122 training for 102 customers.

EXECUTIVE SECURITY

The primary purpose of the Executive Security Division of the Georgia State Patrol is to provide effective, efficient dignitary and facilities security services for individuals and facilities authorized in the state statute. The Special Services Section provides dignitary protection services through its Dignitary Protection Unit for those protectees designated by the director and security services for the Governor's Mansion facility and its grounds.

For the calendar year 2017, the Dignitary Protection Unit handled 1,452 security details logging in 15,956 hours. There were 56 visiting Principals from other states or countries.

The Special Services Section screened 10,335 visitors attending public tours at the Governor's Mansion during 2017. There were an additional 4,272 guests attending special events. The Dignitary Protection Division along with the Special Services Section has a total of 35,360 security hours for the Governor's Mansion Facility in 2017. The Executive Security Division logged in 1,139 training hours for 2017.

AVIATION DIVISION

The Georgia State Patrol Aviation Division provides aviation support to the Georgia State Patrol, other state, federal and local agencies in support of public safety interest for the citizens of Georgia.

Total number of Missions flown:	1,724 Missions 3,019.7 Flight Hours
Total flight hours for general searches (both criminal and search and rescue combined):	608.9 hrs.
Percentage of Individuals found through general searches (both criminal and search and rescue combined):	56.11%
Total flight hours for Governor's Task Force:	913.7 hrs.
Total flight hours for property search and surveillance:	86.9 hrs.
Total flight hours for training:	267.3 hrs.
Total flight hours for aerial photography:	73.0 hrs.
Hoist Rescue Missions:	4
Night Vision Goggle Flight Time:	342.2 hrs.
Average response time of missions (in minutes):	45 mins.
(Calls received to arrival on scene)	

LEGAL SERVICES OFFICE

The Legal Services Office provides assistance to the Commissioner and to the employees of the department concerning any matters associated with the day-to-day operations of the department. Members of the Legal Services staff work closely with Human Resources Division staff on issues related to compliance with labor and employment laws, matters related to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity, and the Department of

Labor. Members of the Legal Services staff regularly provide training to the department's employees during Trooper School, in-service training, and department-wide training on a variety of topics. Members of the Legal Services staff serve as the agency representative before Administrative Law Judges in personnel appeals, hearings related to overweight and oversized commercial vehicles and other administrative hearings. The Open Records Unit is responsible for processing open records requests from citizens and the media. The Unit also assists department employees who respond to open records requests. In 2016, the Unit responded to 28,652 open records requests. In 2017, the Unit responded to 35,339 open records requests with a percentage of increase of 23.34%. (This number does not include requests for multiple reports, video, and photos received and processed as one request).

The Administrative License Suspension (ALS) program is part of the Nighthawk DUI Task Force grant, which the Governor's Office of Highway Safety awarded to the department. The grant provides specific funding for an ALS attorney and a paralegal. The ALS attorney serves as a department representative and assists troopers at ALS hearings. In addition, the ALS attorney provides assistance at ALS hearings for Troopers assigned to the Nighthawks DUI Task Force, including the majority of hearings in metropolitan Atlanta, Savannah, Statesboro, Albany and Columbus. The ALS attorney assists troopers statewide with questions regarding DUI and ALS issues and conducts DUI/ALS training for all new troopers attending Trooper School.

In 2017, some of the activities performed by the Legal Services staff were:

- Reviewed, revised or drafted approximately 155 contracts, agreements, or memoranda of understanding
- Opened 35,339 Open Records requests.
- Opened approximately 1,324 Administrative License Suspension cases and filed motions and briefs in approximately 596 cases and served as the agency representative at the related ALS hearings
- Opened 54 overweight/oversize citation cases and served as the agency representative at 42 administrative hearings
- Opened and processed 133 legal case files

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Office of Professional Standards (OPS) supports the mission and core beliefs of the Department of Public Safety and is dedicated to protecting the integrity of the department through ensuring adherence to ethical standards, performance criteria and commitment to public service. OPS performs its function by conducting a variety of investigations including internal affairs matters, pre-employment background cases, some criminal activity and violations of speed detection device and light permits. The business components of the Office of Professional Standards include Internal Affairs, Background Investigations, Polygraph, Permits, and support staff.

Internal Affairs Unit

The Internal Affairs Unit investigates allegations of wrongdoing against members of the Department of Public Safety, including the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division and Capitol Police. The Internal Affairs Unit also investigates complaints alleging the misuse of red and blue

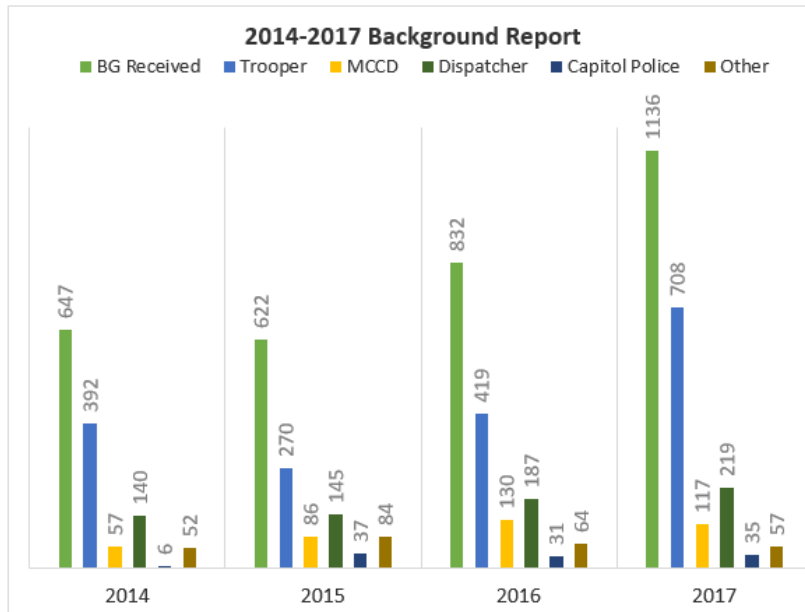
lights, and speed detection devices by any agency bearing the department's certification, as well as assessing threats made against the department's interests and some criminal activity.

During 2017, the Department of Public Safety initiated 307 investigations. Of this number, 38 were complaint investigations conducted by field troop officers or Human Resources staff, while 269 were investigations conducted by the Internal Affairs Unit. The table below is a summary of the types and number of cases investigated during 2017:

Abuse of Authority	1
Accident Investigation	2
Administrative-Other	5
Agency Assist-Pre Employment/Other	156
Bias Based Profiling	1
Chaplain Background	0
Citizen Complaint Other-	12
Conduct Unbecoming	2
Criminal	2
Domestic Misconduct	2
Harassment/Hostile Work Environment	1
Impersonating a Trooper	0
Improper Conduct	18
Improper Search and Seizure	0
Improper Use of Speed Detection Device	1
Lost/Damaged/Misuse of Equipment	7
Misconduct during Traffic Stop	11
Mishandling of Evidence	4
Off Duty Misconduct	5
Officer Involved Shooting	5
Other	2
PIT/Pursuits	3
POST Arrest	40
Speed Detection Device Complaint Investigations	2
Theft	1
Threat Assessment	17
Title VI	1
Use of Force/Firearm Discharge	4
Violation of Technology Policy	2
Work Performance	0
TOTAL	307

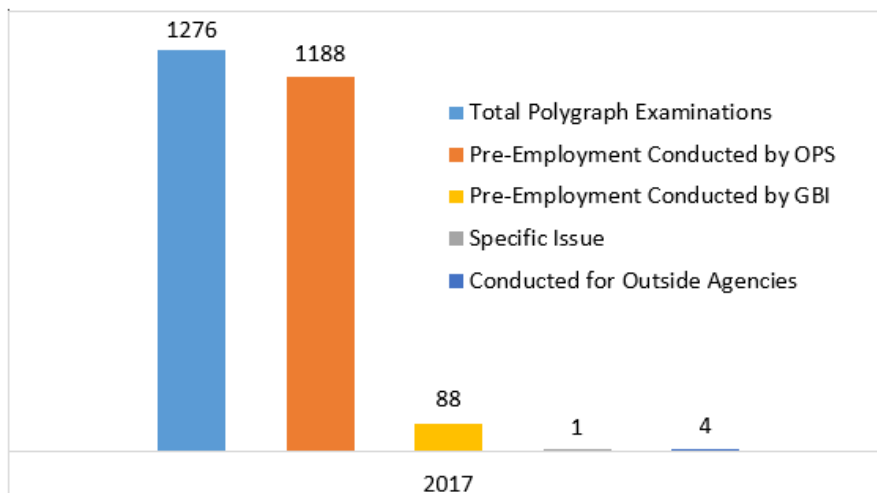
Pre-Employment

OPS is responsible for coordinating the function of pre-employment investigations for candidates seeking to join the Department of Public Safety. During 2017, the Background Investigation Unit managed 1,136 pre-employment applications from Human Resources. Of which, 891 did not meet the department's employment standards and were disqualified from further consideration. There were 164 applicants who withdrew prior to the completion of the pre-employment investigations.



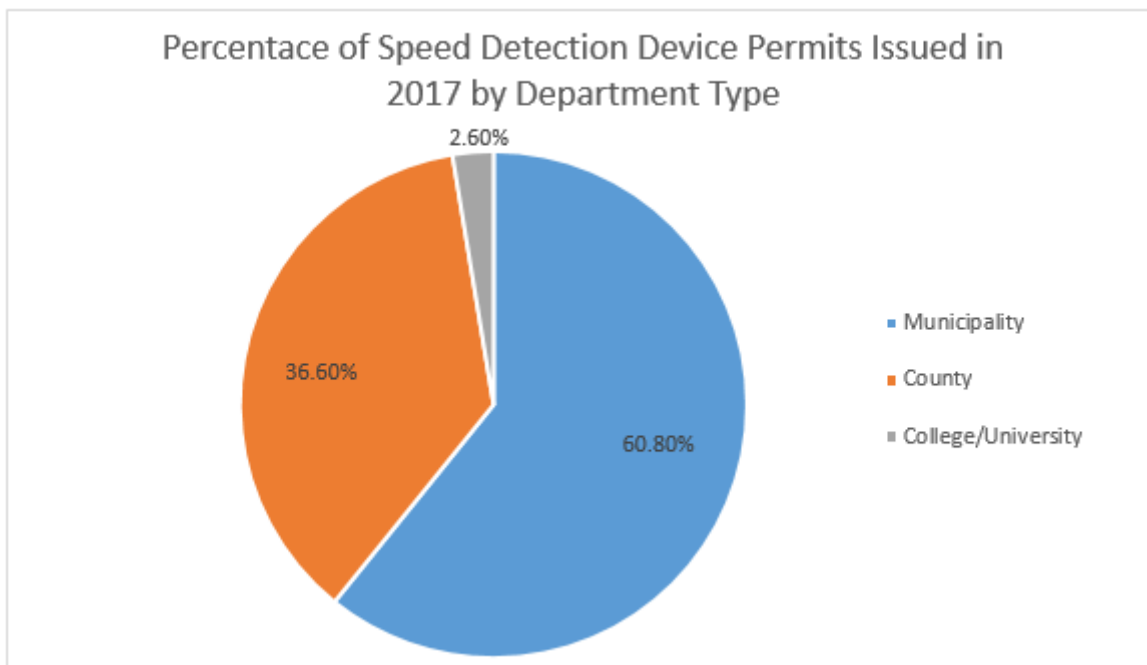
Polygraph Unit

During 2017, 1,188 Polygraph Examinations were conducted by the Office of Professional Standards, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) conducted an additional 87 pre-employment polygraphs for OPS, totaling 1,276 polygraphs. There were 1,271 pre-employment screening tests, one was a specific issue (internal affairs) test, and four were for outside agencies. The chief polygraph examiner conducted quality control which also included video reviews.



Speed Detection Device Permits

During 2017, OPS administered the statewide issuance of 194 speed detection device permits to law enforcement agencies. Of those permits, 118 were issued to cities or municipalities, 71 to sheriff's offices, and five to college or universities.



Light Permits

In March of 2017, OPS acquired the responsibility of reviewing applications and issuing permits for the use of Amber, Blue, and Red Flashing or Revolving Lights. From March through December 2017, OPS issued 59,628 Amber Light Permits, 441 Blue Light Permits, and 480 Red Light Permits.

Window Tint Permits

In March 2017, OPS acquired the responsibility of reviewing applications and issuing permits for exemption to the Window Tint Law. From March through December 2017, OPS issued 387 Window Tint Permits.

Additional Accomplishments

OPS continued to aid the department's Training Office by providing instruction in GSP Basic Trooper schools, POST IT Training, POST Supervision Training, and DPS in-service classes. OPS also supports the Georgia Internal Affairs Investigators Association (GIAIA) with two members who serve on the GIAIA Executive Board.



DPS HONOR GUARD

The Georgia Department of Public Safety Honor Guard is comprised of both Georgia State Patrol troopers and MCCD officers. These troopers and officers represent the State of Georgia and the department at special events such as funerals, memorial services, parades, presentation of colors and other functions as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Safety.

During 2017, the DPS Honor Guard participated in 112 Honor Guard details throughout Georgia, as well as other regions of the United States. The details consisted of five parades, 45 Presentation of Colors Details and/or Bagpiper, and 62 Funeral/Memorial Services.

The Honor Guard also participated in several very high profile details including the National Peace Officer's Memorial Service Week in Washington, DC, and the funeral details of 17 law enforcement officers/state troopers killed in the line of duty in Georgia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, Florida, Illinois, New York, Oklahoma, Michigan, South Carolina, and Texas.

DPS TRAINING DIVISION

The DPS Training Division consists of the GSP Training Unit and the MCCD Training Unit. The office is located at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) in Forsyth, Georgia. The Training Division is responsible for facilitating basic and advanced training for all members of The Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance, and Capitol Police. The DPS Training Division maintains training records for all members as well as reporting training to The Peace Officer Standards and Training Council. Upon request, with the approval of the Commissioner, the DPS Training Division also provides basic and advanced training to local agencies.

The 99th Trooper School, in conjunction with the 80th Anniversary of the Department of Public Safety, graduated in Atlanta on March 11, with seven new troopers. The 100th Trooper School began January 8, and graduated on August 18, with 13 new troopers. The 101st Trooper School began on May 21, and graduated on December 29, with 40 new troopers. The 102nd began on October 1, with 71 cadets. The unit conducted the following training for the department: Spring Firearms Use of Force and qualification, Driving Simulator Training, LWRC Patrol Rifle qualification, Pursuit Liability with Due Regard and live driving in-service, Child Passenger Safety Technician, Field Training Officer (FTO) Refresher, an FTO School, Accident Reconstruction 1 – 5, Supervision Level 1 – 3, Driving Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor and POST Instructor.

The MCCD Training Unit conducted the following training for the department: North American Standards Parts A, B, and State, TRUCAM, Cargo Tank, General Hazardous Materials, Other Bulk Package, Honor Guard, FTO, RADAR Instructor and Operator, LIDAR Instructor and Operator, Radioactive Materials, SFST, ARIDE, and Advanced EVOC. The 1st Motor Carrier Officer School began on September 13, 2017 with 17 Officers. This is a new training program designed to provide new officers with the skills and knowledge needed for a career in Commercial Vehicle Enforcement. The school consists of 25 weeks, 12 weeks of classroom and skills training combined with 12 weeks of field training. The students return for graduation and then are released to field operations.

The unit conducted several classes for outside agencies including Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT), Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE), P.I.T. Training,

Firearms Training, Police Patrol Rifle, SFST, ARIDE Training, CMV Awareness and Traffic Enforcement, and Speed Detection Training. Sworn members of DPS received a grand total of 223,239 P.O.S.T. credited hours for 2017.



GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE

The Governor's Task Force/Drug Suppression (GTF) is assigned to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Safety and supervised by a task force commander from the Georgia State Patrol. GTF is comprised of six state agencies and one federal agencies. Each agency provides resources specific to their enforcement mission such as aircraft, intelligence, logistical and administrative support, equipment and personnel trained and experienced in operating in a variety of environments found throughout the state. The task force is funded through the Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program (DCE/SP). These federal funds, derived from asset forfeiture, are administered by the Department of Justice, through the Drug Enforcement Administration to the Georgia Department of Public Safety. The Department of Public Safety then allocates the funds within DEA guidelines to combat locally grown cannabis. The primary role of the task force is to eradicate domestic marijuana cultivation within the state of Georgia, both indoor and outdoor, and to gather intelligence relating to its manufacture and cultivation. Agencies comprising the task Force are The Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, Department of Natural Resources - Law Enforcement Division, Department of Corrections – Community Supervision Division, Georgia Army National Guard Counter Drug, and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The Governor's Task Force works throughout the state as a support force for local agencies. Operational goals for the GTF include the utilization of intelligence and aggressive enforcement to locate marijuana cultivation operations and prosecute those responsible for the criminal activity. The GTF provides increased enforcement on public lands. Enforcement efforts encompass 159 counties covering approximately 59,425 square miles. GTF initiates and develops intelligence for grow operations throughout the state. The intelligence is shared with local agencies. Subsequent investigations result in numerous arrests and seizures. Georgia State Patrol/GTF Commander is responsible for entering all domestically grow cannabis data gathered in Georgia into the DEA Inter-Connectivity Endeavor/DEA Analysis and Response Tracking System (D.I.C.E./D.A.R.T.S.).

In 2017, GSP Aviation logged 835 hours of flight time for GTF operations. The Georgia National Guard Counter Drug logged 305 hours in support of the eradication efforts. This combined effort in support of the marijuana eradication program resulted in eradicating 12,135 plants, worth an estimated \$30,337,500. In addition to the 139 grow sites located, 141 felony arrests were made and 245 weapons were seized. Due to the combined efforts of the federal, state, county agencies, and the task force, approximately \$567,908 of drug related assets were seized.

Regional K-9 Task Force

The K-9 Unit is partially funded by two federal grants – the Homeland Security Grant and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant. That funding comes to the Sheriff's Office through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Georgia Department of Public Safety. A Georgia State Patrol Captain oversees the K-9 Unit and administers the grant assigned to the Chathan County Sheriff's Office. Two K-9 teams are assigned to the Criminal Interdiction Unit. In 2017, they seized \$130,008 in U. S. Currency and made numerous narcotics seizures with an estimated street value of \$7,000. Two K-9 Teams are assigned to the Drug Interdiction Unit. They seized \$71,897 in U.S. currency and seized approximately \$706,000 of illegal narcotics. Overall in 2017, the CCSO K-9 Unit performed 1,544 searches; 911 Narcotic searches, 531 Explosive searches, 102 weapons searches and 177 school searches in 35 schools. The K-9 Unit seized in all \$201,905 in U. S. Currency and \$712,895.68 of illegal narcotics.



HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION

The Human Resources Division provides services including recruitment, job development, compensation analysis, policy development and consultation, personnel transactions/benefits processing, employee relations and career development for the more than 1,600 employees of the Department of Public Safety. In addition, three agencies which include Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Georgia Peace Officers Standards and Training Council, and the Governor's Office of Highway Safety with more than 225 positions/employees are administratively attached to DPS for benefits and transactions services.

The Human Resources Division worked closely with hiring managers, recruiting and PIO to attract a qualified workforce. The Employment Section of the Human Resources Division supported the department's critical staffing needs for Trooper, Motor Carrier Compliance Officer, Capitol Police Officer, Dispatcher and other support positions. The Employment Section received over 6,000 applications to Trooper School during this period, staffed the 101st through the 103rd Trooper schools, and initiated the application processes for the 104th and 105th Trooper Schools scheduled for 2018. Human Resources led the implementation of a Cadet and Internship program with the Georgia State Patrol as part of the department's continued focus on recruiting Trooper candidates. The Employment Section continued its support of the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) as they actively recruited to achieve their statewide staffing goals.

Human Resources updated the department's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP) and continued partnership with Recruiting and PIO to implement strategies to ensure employment of a diverse workforce.

Throughout the year, Human Resources responded to numerous requests for information related to benefits, assisted employees in resolving benefit problems and hosted benefit related events. Human Resources staff processed over 2,000 transactions, including employee transfers, promotions, new hires and terminations, as well as maintained accurate personnel files, employment records, leave/time-keeping records and kept sworn employees' employment history for POST updated. Human Resources staff, in partnership with the Technology Division, evaluated and selected a Document Management System for the purpose of digitizing all employee files and records. Implementation of the new system is scheduled to be completed in 2018.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

The Public Information Office (PIO) serves as the liaison for the Department of Public Safety to the news media and citizens of Georgia. The Public Information Office staff provides research and clearance for media inquiries and interview requests for 52 Georgia State Patrol posts, 10 Motor Carrier Compliance regions and Capitol Police. This office also serves as support to GEMA/Homeland Security during natural disasters and state emergencies. This office serves as the central filing, storage and retrieval of evidence photos, videotapes and documents; produces publications and graphics for special projects and social media; responds to media inquiries, prepares media advisories and news releases; highlights accomplishments and promotes enforcement campaigns through social media and press conferences; and updates and distributes the department's policy manual.

Below is a list of accomplishments for the Public Information Office:

- Distributed 100 Bulletins
- Distributed 25 News Releases
- Posted 17 blogs on the department's Beyond the Badge
- Submitted four nominations for various LEO awards
- Coordinated the DPS Awards Ceremony in Jekyll Island
- Participated in APD's Annual Media Roundtable
- Policies: Published – 1; Revised – 22; Reviewed – 2
- Added 11 Twitter accounts for GSP recruiters
- Added an Instagram account for GSP Recruiting
- Taught the 102nd and 103rd Trooper and 1st MCO Schools policy manual and social media
- Won the Best Looking Patrol Car in the Country contest
- Edited 28 video files of interviews containing confidential information for redaction
- Prepared 102 certificates for presentation
- Researched enforcement activity and fatal crash experiences for the six holiday periods in 2017 to be used in 2018 holiday news releases
- Compiled and distributed holiday enforcement activity and fatal crash experience for the 2017 holiday periods
- Digitized case evidence (audio and video cassettes) for the Office of Professional Standards

RECRUITING/OFF-DUTY

Recruiting coordinator is responsible for arranging and coordinating all recruiting events, developing strategic marketing plans, providing DPS with a sustainable flow of quality diverse candidates to meet business needs, providing Human Resource with applicants for trooper schools, and providing informational actives at civic organizations, educational institutions, military bases, intrastate and interstate job fairs. There were 170 job fairs scheduled at educational institutions, 61 at military bases, 56 at civic organizations and 90 at other organizations for a total of 360 job fairs in 2017. There were also 50 interviews conducted via radio or television. There were three trooper schools advertised in 2017. The 100th, 101st and 102th. Total applicants for the 100th trooper school were 1,532, the 101st was 1,817 and the total applicants for the 102th Trooper School was 1,665.

The Off-Duty coordinator engages both sworn and civilian employees inengage in outside employment opportunities; provides the employer with the Notice to Off-Duty Employer Form upon approval/disapproval of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee; and maintains an approved employee list in accordance with policy. When a prospective employer contacts the department to request a DPS Officer for employment, provide the list of approved employees. Tasked with the responsibility of maintaining all files and data entry reference off-duty employment for all employees hired by the Department of Public Safety. An estimated 750 requests for outside employment forms were approved and 31 part-time employers were approved and added to the database.

TECHNOLOGY SECTION

The DPS Technology Section serves the needs of the department in the areas of personal computers, network, servers, and telecommunications. The Technology Section also provides direct support to the Department of Natural Resources through a Memorandum of Understanding through which DNR Law Enforcement Officers utilize the DPS CAD/RMS system.

During 2017, the Technology Section initiated or completed the following:

- Commenced the transformation of the network.
- Continued the transition to Office 365.
- Deployed SANS training and issued monthly awareness bulletins regarding network security.
- Headquarters storage upgrade continued, enabling for growth and expansion.
- Completed the upgrade of the Netmotion servers.
- Completed the network attached storage project at posts and weigh stations for the Watchgard 4RE camera system.
- Supported the Training Staff by providing and setting up mobile data terminals (MDTs) for use by cadets assigned to the 100th and 101st GSP Trooper School.
- Assisted with the establishment of new and relocated facilities.
- Continued with the upgrade of all DPS computers to the Windows 10 operating system.
- Created queries and reports against mobileforms database to aid in decision-making by DPS command personnel.
- Development team worked closely with the Open Records Unit and Public Information Office to process data requests in a timely manner.
- Performed daily maintenance of many software applications, such as leave accounting, rosters and scheduling, sharepoint portal, and the overweight citation system.
- In conjunction with the Recruiting Unit, deployed the GAtrooper.com website.
- Continued the development of an inventory system for garage, radio shop, and supply.
- The Computer Aided Dispatch/Records Management System (CAD/RMS) Administrator ensured that data related to users, their permissions and access, and the general configuration of the system was maintained. In addition, he assisted the Communications Director in the technical administration of the Georgia Interoperability Network (GIN), the State of Georgia's interoperable public safety radio network.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Administrative Services Division of the Georgia Department of Public Safety oversees several divisions: Fleet Services, Communications, Facilities, Supply, Property and Maintenance, all of which are administered by the Headquarters Adjutant of the Department of Public Safety.

Facilities/Maintenance

- Transitioned TROOP C (Troop C Command, Post 48 - Atlanta, Post 49 - Motor Unit, and SWAT) from Fulton Industrial Blvd. to Confederate Ave. complex
- Completed renovations to Confederate Ave. complex building (Buildings 5, 12, and 13)
- Completed building Cedar Springs (completed), including installation of new \$95,000 scales
- Continued construction of Administrative Building
- Made roofing repairs to Post 34 Manchester
- Added new roof to HQ Building
- Assisted in the clean-up, repair and replacement after Hurricane Irma, including the Albany

Hangar which received substantial damage due to tornadoes that rolled through the immediate area. The repair costs totaled over \$73K.

- Additional repairs and furniture orders included the following:
 - Multiple furniture orders were delivered to Posts and Weigh Stations
 - Post 3 Cartersville – new carpet installation \$19,000
 - Post 8 Madison – repairs started August 2017
 - Post 31 Valdosta – new carpet installation \$23,000
 - Post 44 Forsyth – new generator \$26,000

Fleet Services

New vehicles purchased for the department in 2017:

- 30 Dodge Chargers, 22 GSP, 3 MCCD, 4 Capitol Police, 1 CIU
- 24 Ford Explorers
- 2 Bearcats for SWAT
- 1 Ford F450 for Training
- 116 Chevrolet Tahoes, 85 MCCD, 30 GSP, 1 Capitol Police

A total of 589 departmental vehicle accidents/incidents were processed. This includes all accidents and incidents including PIT maneuvers, animal related and storm related damages. Of these crashes, 37 vehicles were total losses. A total of \$840,941 was spent on vehicle body repairs by DOAS Risk Management. A total of 447,873 was recovered for totaled vehicles. A total of 245 used vehicles were sold. Of these, nine were sold to other state or local law enforcement agencies. The total for auto sales in 2017 was \$862,445.

Property Management

During 2017, Property Management processed 5,256 additions with acquisition costs totaling \$30,179,015.11; processed 2,231 deletions valued at \$12,588,084.93 and processed 6,530 in-house equipment transfers. These transactions are updated daily on the property system in an effort to track equipment and maintain an accurate inventory.

Supply Section

- Provided logistical support to Troopers who went to Washington D.C. for the 58th Presidential Inauguration detail
- Outfitted the 101st and 102nd Trooper schools
- Outfitted the first MCCD Motor Carrier Officer School
- Provided logistical support for Hurricane Irma
- Upgraded all sworn members to a triple magazine pouch for duty belt and Mobile Field Force belt
- Purchased and issued Class A uniform sweaters to all sworn members
- Purchased and issued new jackets for the training uniform to all sworn members
- Purchased and issued new training boots to all sworn members
- Purchased and issued TASERS to all sworn members below the rank of Lieutenant
- Outfitted captains, lieutenants and sergeants first class with dress coats and leather gear

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