



Fiscal Year **2013**
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*Celebrating Successes,
Planning for the Future*

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Public Safety, (DPS), I am pleased to submit the Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Report. It is a privilege for our department to present this information. This report outlines the dedication and effort put forth by all members of our Department. It is our hope that you will find some of our greatest successes of the last year and an outline of our future goals.

We have been very fortunate to receive continued support from lawmakers and the Governor, allowing our department to operate with continued success. We are grateful for the continued support of the citizens we serve who understand the vital service officers provide this state.

The Department aspires to increase the number of peace officers serving and securing Iowa communities. In the interim, DPS is diligently working to find creative ways to maintain services for the citizens utilizing the dedicated employees that we have. This is supported by the use and implementation of new technologies.

As you review this presentation, do not hesitate to make notes and contact us with any questions you may have in regards to our Department making Iowa a great place to live, work and raise a family. It is our privilege to work for the citizens of Iowa, and to deliver the services they deserve in the most efficient manner.

We look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Noble
Commissioner



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
PROTECTION ALL WAYS

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE



Within the Commissioner's Office there are individual staff members, as well as three bureaus which fulfill vital roles for the Department, and most importantly for the citizens of Iowa. Those staff members work as liaisons between Iowans, legislators, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and others. Every day the Commissioner's Office fields citizen inquiries, collaborates with local law enforcement and fire agencies, assists other state departments and branches of government, and coordinates critical training requirements for both civilian and sworn staff.

Commissioner of Public Safety

The Commissioner of Public Safety is the chief executive officer of the Department of Public Safety. The Commissioner is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Iowa Senate.

Executive Officer

The Executive Officer is responsible for coordinating and consulting with the Commissioner of Public Safety related to Departmental priorities, initiatives, goals and objectives. The Executive Officer supervises the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau, the Professional Standards Bureau and the Professional Development and Information Bureau, while also working closely with the Administrative Rules Coordinator and the Policy Advisor. The responsibilities of the Executive Officer also include collaborating and communicating with the Division Directors on day-to-day operations and activities.

Administrative Rules Coordinator

The Administrative Rules Coordinator & Legal Trainer is responsible for administrative rulemaking for the Department, for coordinating departmental planning efforts, for coordinating training on legal issues for personnel within the Department, and for addressing privacy, civil rights and civil liberties concerns in the department. In FY 2013, stakeholders reached consensus on amendments to the energy code and continuing education requirements for licensed manufactured housing installers, and the formal rulemaking process was initiated for both issues. The department revised its strategic plan, which was implemented in other departmental reports and policies. Special training updates were provided to sworn personnel on emerging issues.

Policy Advisor

The duties of the Policy Advisor include working with a wide range of government officials, as well as governmental, non-profit, and private entities to refine legislation of interest to the department. Additional duties include coordinating departmental efforts to implement new laws, which may involve assisting with administrative rulemaking; developing forms and resource documents; and training DPS personnel and other stakeholders. The Policy Advisor also assists with researching and resolving questions related to criminal laws, departmental operations generally, and interpretation of new or changed laws, and assists all divisions and bureaus with public relations, citizen inquiries, and public information requests related to public safety policy issues. During FY 2013, the Policy Advisor devoted considerable time to the passage of legislative enactments related to; mandatory DNA testing for those who commit certain aggravated misdemeanor crimes, and a reorganization of enforcement personnel for gaming in Iowa. The expansion of DNA testing will help ensure that criminals are brought to justice, while the changes in gaming enforcement will better meet the current needs of the gaming industry.

Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) administers the State of Iowa's allocation of federal highway safety funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). In partnership with public and private entities, highway safety programs are developed and implemented to reduce traffic crashes and subsequent deaths, injuries and property damage on Iowa's roadways. These programs include strategies associated with traffic enforcement, public education and awareness, media campaigns and community involvement. Statewide crash data is utilized for a performance-based approach. Goals of programs within the state include encouraging behavioral changes toward traffic safety to make highways safer for the citizens and visitors to Iowa.

During FY 2013, the GTSB managed 296 contracts totaling \$ 6,474,507. Iowa continues to see positive results in traffic safety due to continued collaborative efforts. An example of success is Iowa's safety belt usage rate of 91.86% which continues to be above the national average. Also, at the end of calendar year 2013, Iowa traffic fatalities were documented at a record-low of 318. By working together, Iowa has reduced the number of traffic fatalities 65% since 1970.

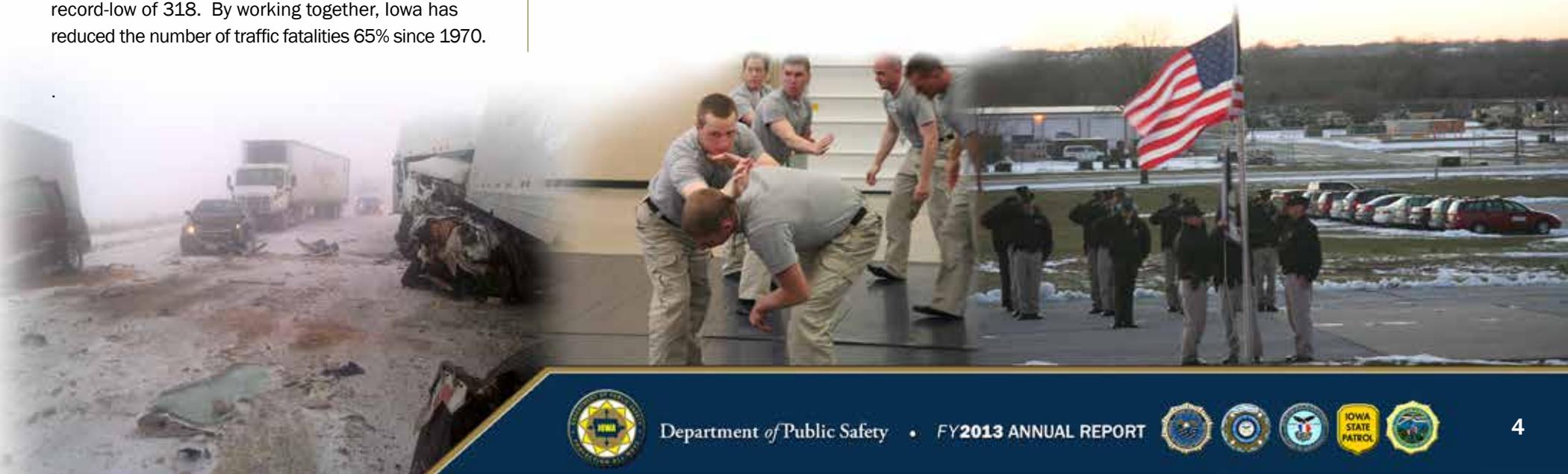
Professional Standards Bureau

The Professional Standards Bureau (PSB) is the internal investigative unit for DPS. When a complaint is filed against one of the department's employees, PSB has the responsibility to conduct or supervise a thorough internal investigation. As a result of the 70 alleged misconduct investigations in fiscal year 2013, 36 were found to be sustained cases, meaning it was determined that the accused employee committed all or part of the alleged act(s) of misconduct. Additionally, PSB handled 339 other requests for service. Those requests included tracking progress on employee grievances, lawsuits, and civil rights claims filed against the Department of Public Safety. For statistical analysis, PSB also tracked all uses of force and vehicle pursuits conducted by members of the Department of Public Safety.

Professional Development Bureau

The Professional Development Bureau is responsible for facilitating training for approximately 600 sworn peace officers in the Department of Public Safety. This includes firearms, use of force, EMS, cultural awareness, ethics and many other topics related to officer safety and continued education. In addition the training bureau coordinated departmental training which included Responding to Active Shooters, Iowa's "Open Carry" Law and training related to Drug Endangered Children. This bureau is also responsible for conducting departmental staff inspections, managing property/evidence policies & procedures and maintaining all policies for the Department of Public Safety.

During fiscal year 2013, the 36th Department of Public Safety Basic Academy concluded on November 26, 2012. Sixteen recruits from the Department of Public Safety and Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division graduated and took their oath of office, beginning their law enforcement careers.





ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

The Administrative Services Division is comprised of three bureaus and the human resources office. These units provide support services to DPS and provide direct services to the citizens of Iowa, law enforcement and other criminal justice agencies.

Finance Bureau

The Finance Bureau provides basic support services to the Department, such as budget, and accounting. In FY 2013, more than 10,200 expense claims were processed on behalf of nearly two thousand vendors and employees, for non-payroll expenses totaling nearly \$50 million. Also, more than 3,800 deposits were made totaling more than \$89 million in revenue.

The Bureau also maintains the Department's fixed assets inventory valued at \$38 million and serves as the custodian of all seized cash and valuables until disposed of as directed by court order or other mandates.

Human Resources and Peace Officer Retirement

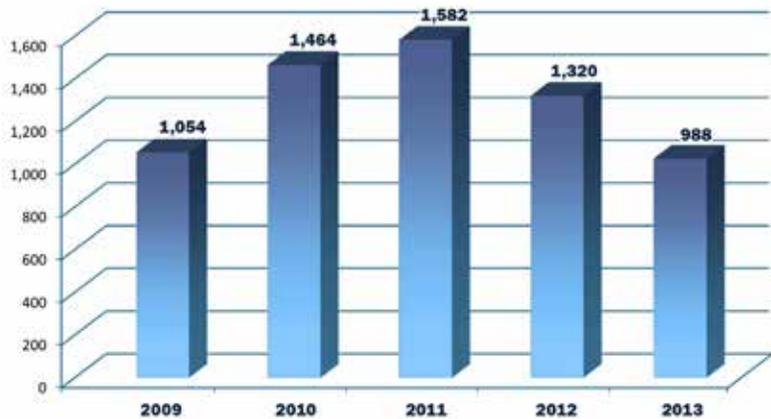
The Human Resources and Peace Officer Retirement areas insured the proper payment of salaries and benefits to employees and retirees during FY 2013.

Technology Services Bureau

The Technology Services Bureau coordinates the computer-related needs by providing, maintaining and securing the data and telecommunications infrastructure for the Department. Additionally, the Bureau maintains the Iowa Online Warrants and Articles System (IOWA System), a computer system and network that provide access to a wide variety of criminal justice information for police departments, sheriff's offices, Iowa courts, county attorneys, federal law enforcement agencies and various other criminal justice and public safety agencies throughout Iowa. Such data includes wanted/missing persons, stolen vehicles and articles, protective orders, sex offenders, motor vehicle registration files, driver's license records, criminal history records and correctional information.

The network also provides a gateway to other states via, the International Justice and Public Safety Network (NIets), and the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), and to other countries through INTERPOL. Over the past two fiscal years, FY12 and FY13, in cooperation with the Iowa Communications Network, the US Department of Commerce funding and Iowa Homeland Security's NG911 program, affordable high speed fiber connectivity has been provided for a majority of the IOWA System locations throughout Iowa. This upgrade provides for expanded bandwidth and more reliable service to our local law enforcement agencies.

**Offline Search Activity
by Fiscal Year**



Program Services Bureau

The Program Services Bureau serves the criminal justice community and the general public through four statutory program areas, including Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program Administration; Weapons Permit Program Administration; Private Investigative Licensing; and Private Security and Bail Enforcement Licensing.

Private Investigative, Private Security, and Bail Enforcement Licensing

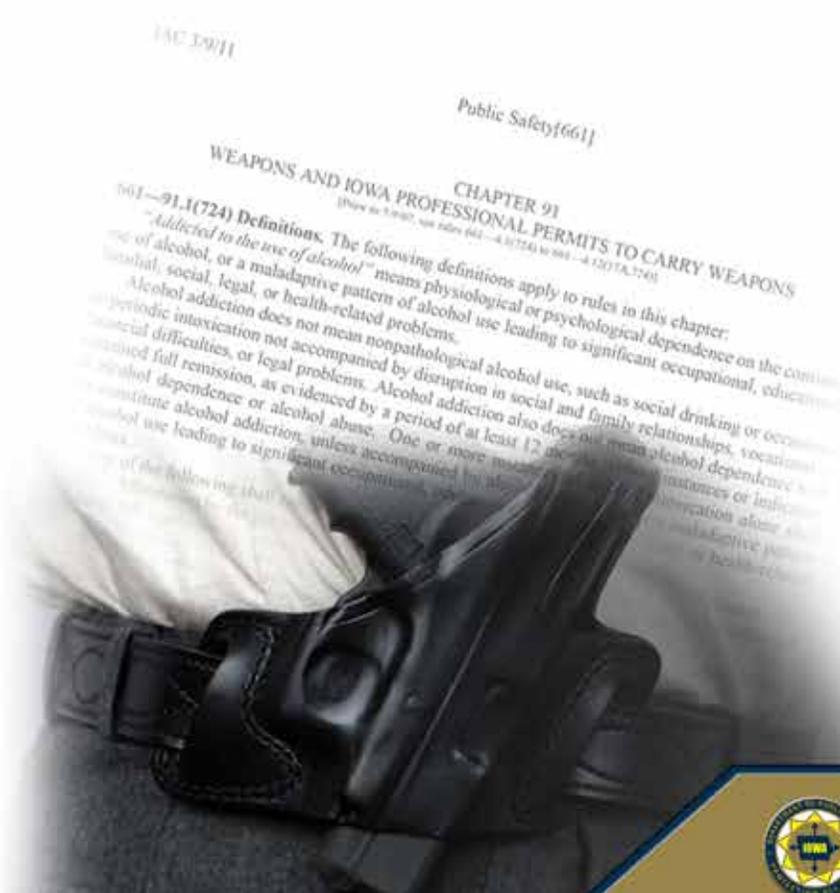
Chapter 80A of the Iowa Code stipulates that private security, private investigative and bail enforcement agencies and their employees doing business in Iowa must be licensed. The Private Investigative, Private Security and Bail Enforcement Licensing Section processes and issues licenses and renewals for such agencies and employees. This process includes fingerprint-based criminal history record checks, verification of bonding and proof of financial responsibility. At the end of FY 2013, there were 7,505 valid employee ID cards held by private security, private investigative, and bail enforcement employees. For the same period, there were 190 Private Investigative Agencies, 93 Private Security Agencies, and 3 Bail Enforcement Agencies.

Weapons Permit Program

This section develops permit to carry weapons related forms, issues nonresident professional permit to carry weapons, and issues state peace officer permits to carry weapons. This section also frequently researches and responds to firearms and other related questions from sheriff's offices and the general public.

In FY 2013, a great deal of time and attention was devoted to continued implementation of SF 2379 of 2010, which became effective January 1, 2011. This legislation made major changes in permit laws, most notably conversion from discretionary "may issue" permits to a new "shall issue" permits.

Before the law change, 40,747 annual permits to carry weapons were issued (calendar year 2010). Permit issuance more than doubled to 102,729 five year permits for calendar year 2011. In 2012, 45,313 five year permits were issued. Given that nonprofessional permits issued after January 1, 2011, are valid for five years (instead of one year under prior law), this declined volume of permit issuance was expected.





DIVISION of CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

The Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) was created to provide investigative support and expertise to law enforcement agencies across the state. Today, the division is comprised of four functional areas: Criminalistics Laboratory, Field Operations Bureau, Gaming Operations Bureau, and Support Operations Bureau

2013 DCI Staffing

Sworn Personnel	151
Crime Lab Personnel	50
Other Civilian Staff	49

Criminalistics Laboratory

The DCI Criminalistics Laboratory employees provide professional forensic scientific services and support to the criminal justice community throughout Iowa.

The lab is accredited under the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors Laboratory Accreditation Board's International (ISO based) accreditation program, and provides forensic science capabilities to Iowa's criminal justice community in the following disciplines: Arson, Crime Scene Response, Breath Alcohol, Drug Identification, DNA, DNA Profiling of Convicted Offenders Program, Firearms and Tool Marks, Impression Evidence (latent prints, tire tracks, footwear), Photography and Video Enhancement, Questioned Documents, Toxicology, and Trace Evidence.

Crime Lab By the Numbers:

2013 Assignments Created	15,041
2013 Assignments Completed	13,981
2013 Assignment Backlog	2,197
2013 Average Turnaround (Days)	47.21



Field Operations Bureau

Employees assigned to this bureau work in areas of the Major Crime Unit (MCU), the Cyber Crime Unit (CCU) and the Missing Person Information Clearinghouse (MPIC). The MCU's primary function is to collaborate with local law enforcement in conducting criminal investigations into felony crimes against persons and property.

FY 2013 - Cyber Crime Unit

Forensic Exams	1372
Cyber Arrests	49

Missing Person Information Clearinghouse

Number of Adults Missing in Iowa	759
Number of Juveniles Missing in Iowa	4510

The CCU conducts cyber crime investigations and digital forensic analysis and evaluation of evidence found on various electronic devices. The MPIC assists in helping to locate missing persons through public awareness, cooperation and education about missing person issues.

The DCI Field Operations unit assisted our local law enforcement partners investigate major crimes in 2013. These cases involved homicides, sexual assaults, financial crimes just to name a few.

FY 2013 - Major Cases

Major Crime Cases Opened	196
Major Crime Cases Resolved	121
Major Crime Arrests	60

Gaming Operations Bureau

This Bureau conducts criminal investigations and provides regulatory enforcement at 15 casinos and three race track/casinos in Iowa. Within this bureau is also an Amusement Device Unit, consisting of three Special Agents who are dedicated to enforcement of amusement device and social/charitable gaming laws throughout the state.

FY 2013 - Casino Related Cases

Casino Related Cases Opened	619
Casino Related Cases Closed	725
Casino Related Arrests	439

Support Operations Bureau

This Bureau conducts a broad range of duties in support of the overall mission of the DCI, with employees who work in the Transcription Unit, Records and Identification Unit, Sex Offender Registry Unit, Criminal History Dissemination Unit, AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System)/Fingerprint Unit, and Administrative staff who perform, clerical, inventory, budgeting, purchasing, and logistical functions for the entire Division.

This Bureau is responsible for collecting and disseminating vital information to maintain the Sex Offender Registry and the central repository for criminal history and fingerprint records.

FY 2013 - SOR Data

Sex Offenders Registered	5,934
Sex Offender Non Compliance Cases	264

FY 2013 - Records and Identification Data

Fingerprint Cards received	119,187
Print Matches to Criminal Records	57,875
New Criminal records created	24,440
Total Automated Criminal Records	673,483

FY 2013 - Criminal Records Dissemination

State Criminal History Checks	45,346
National Criminal History Checks	32,784





DIVISION of NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT

The Division of Narcotics Enforcement (DNE) serves as the lead state agency in providing public safety through investigative enforcement of laws relating to narcotics and other controlled substances. As DNE's mission statement indicates, our agents "With Pride and Integrity, Provide a Professional Service to the People in Significantly Reducing the Supply of Illicit Controlled Substances through Specialized Enforcement and Training."

State Narcotics Agents

The Division of Narcotics Enforcement has 34 State Narcotics Agents and two civilian employees at 17 offices throughout the State. The primary duty and responsibility of these agents is conducting complex criminal investigations of major drug trafficking organizations. These criminal organizations are responsible for the vast majority of the supply of illicit controlled substances which are distributed and abused in Iowa. In 2013, agents disrupted or dismantled 130 Drug Trafficking Organizations.

The division primarily focuses its investigative efforts on methamphetamine, powder and crack cocaine, and marijuana. Heroin, pharmaceutical diversions and synthetic substances also require investigative resources and enforcement efforts due to their devastating effects.

In FY13, State Narcotics Agents observed an alarming trend and record year in terms of bulk seizures and purity levels of methamphetamine. In addition, the availability and emerging trend of heroin distribution and use is on the rise in parallel with the national trend which is yielding deadly consequences.

Protecting Iowa's Children

The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children defines drug endangered children as children who are at risk of suffering physical or emotional harm as a result of illegal drug use, possession, manufacturing, cultivation or distribution. They may also be children whose caretaker's substance abuse interferes with the caretaker's ability to parent and provide a safe and nurturing environment.

State Narcotics Agents are committed to identifying drug endangered children and taking the necessary steps in ensuring appropriate health and safety intervention occurs for the protection of the children. In FY13, State Narcotics Agents encountered 58 drug endangered children who were affected by exposure to drugs, drug usage or the inadequate care from a parent, guardian/caretaker as a result of drugs. Appropriate intervention steps were taken on behalf of these children.

In Calendar year 2012, the Department of Human Services (DHS) reported there were 1,002 instances of confirmed or founded child abuse involving the presence of illegal drugs in a child's body. This is an upward trend and a 5 year high which demonstrates the critical need to address Iowa's Drug Endangered Children.

TIP HOTLINE: 800-532-0052 or dneinfo@dps.state.ia.us

DNE maintains a toll free "hotline" to allow citizens to report suspected drug activity. The hotline has proven to be a great benefit, garnering tips on drug activity, and providing a line of communication for individuals wishing to cooperate with DNE. Every tip that comes into the hotline, or submitted to DNE via anonymous email, is distributed to one of the 17 field offices for evaluation and follow-up.

Clandestine Laboratories

State Narcotics Agents continue to respond to clandestine methamphetamine laboratories. Although the number of meth labs is down since the passage of the pseudoephedrine control law in 2005, they continue to present serious health and safety hazards due to the highly toxic and unstable chemical reactions, as well as, the propensity of flash fires. They continue to be a threat to our children and unsuspecting Iowans.

In 2013, there were a total of 290 clandestine meth labs reported to the Division of Narcotics Enforcement. State Narcotics Agents charged 186 individuals with Conspiring to Manufacture Methamphetamine. There were 36 Drug Endangered Children identified in these hazardous environments.

Supporting Local Law Enforcement

Currently there are 18 state grant funded drug task forces and four federal task forces operating in the State. State Narcotics Agents are assigned to these task forces or work in collaboration with them on a regular basis. In addition, State Narcotics Agents respond to all requests for drug investigative services from counties and municipalities without established task forces.

Impact on Corollary Crime

The proactive work of State Narcotics Agents has a significant impact on other crime that naturally follows or results from drug use, abuse and distribution. In 2013, there were numerous crimes committed with a direct nexus to drug use, abuse, dependency and distribution. These crimes included, but were not limited to: Forgery, Theft, Robbery, Fraud, Accidental Overdose Deaths, Assault, Murder, Child Abuse, Prescription Fraud, Vehicular Accidents/Homicide, Home Invasion and Burglary.

The amount of resources we dedicate to narcotics enforcement efforts in Iowa has a direct and positive impact on the safety of all citizens.



Seizures Fiscal Year 2013

Methamphetamine	55,832 g
Cocaine795 g
Crack Cocaine	640 g
Heroin	290 g
Marijuana	39,849 oz
Marijuana Plants	7,262
Ecstasy	326 du
Parmaceuticals	282 du
Firearms	175

Investigations 452

Search Warrants 411

Defendants 838

Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's)
(dismantled/disrupted) 130

Methamphetamine Labs

Labs Seized (all law enforcement) 358

Labs Seized (DNE personnel) 68





DIVISION of INTELLIGENCE and FUSION CENTER

The Division of Intelligence (DOI) consists of the Intelligence Operations Bureau and the Homeland Security and Analysis Bureau. DOI coordinates information sharing related to criminal activity and provides support to all enforcement divisions of DPS, as well as local, state, and federal law enforcement and homeland security partners in Iowa.

DOI serves as the Central Coordinating Agency for the Law Enforcement Intelligence Network and is designated as Iowa's Intelligence Fusion Center in accordance with the National Strategy for Information Sharing.

Intelligence Operations Bureau

This bureau is responsible for overall coordination of the Iowa Law Enforcement Intelligence Network (LEIN). LEIN's membership consists of law enforcement officers who have successfully completed a two-week Criminal Intelligence Course conducted by the Department. LEIN members work together with the department to accomplish two related objectives:

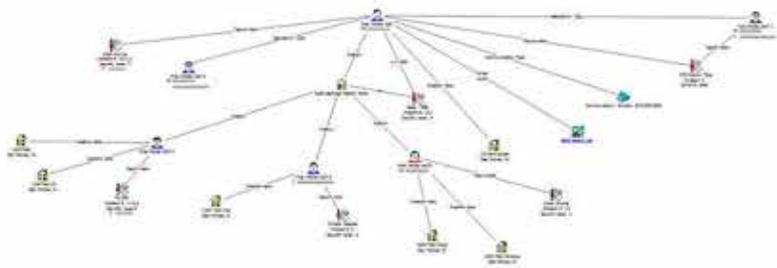
1. Develop and disseminate knowledge about significant criminal conditions that affect the state of Iowa; and,
2. Use this knowledge to identify, investigate, and remove these criminal conditions.

This bureau is also responsible for coordination of multi-jurisdictional task forces involving investigations of criminal activities conducted by criminal organizations targeting multiple jurisdictions. Sworn peace officers from this bureau are also participants in the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), the FBI's Field Intelligence Group, and the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force.

The goal of this bureau is to proactively identify information of individuals, or groups of individuals, who are committing crimes and coordinate with many partners to develop a strategy to bring these groups to justice. Special Agents assigned to the division engage in law enforcement planning and intelligence collection and operational activities to prevent crime and terrorism. This is achieved through proactive information sharing, recognition of potential or developing threats, and developing intervention strategies.

Special Agents also provide field support to all divisions of the Department of Public Safety and to sheriff's offices, police departments, and federal agencies in Iowa needing investigative and technical equipment services. In 2013, personnel assigned to this bureau participated in over 900 investigations in support of partners from various federal, state, and municipal agencies. These investigations included such things as Human Trafficking, multi-jurisdictional burglary/theft rings, fugitive apprehension, narcotics trafficking, and organized criminal activity that impacts multiple jurisdictions.





Bill of Rights
 Our Mission
 Congress for the United States
 To lead and coordinate intelligence and homeland security efforts that protects Iowa, while upholding the constitution.

Homeland Security and Analysis Bureau

The Homeland Security and Analysis Bureau develops and assesses exercises and coordinates with the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) personnel assigned to the Division of Intelligence.

The bureau’s core mission is to provide useful information to law enforcement agencies as well as private sector contacts in an effort to make Iowa a safer place. In support of major investigations, the analysts are asked to evaluate a great deal of information and attempt to gain investigative leads from that data and/or take case information and use visualization techniques to aid an investigator or prosecutor in explaining a complicated case to others. In addition, DOI personnel participate in regional and national associations that set standards for professionals working in this field. This unit also incorporates personnel from the FBI and U.S. Department of Homeland Security Intelligence and Analysis Unit.

One of the core functions this unit performs is to fulfill requests for information “RFI”. These RFI’s can range from being fairly simple in nature; such as just needing an address or phone number for a person or they can be quite time consuming when the request relates to research to find as much information on a subject as possible. The latter could result in the querying of as many as 40 data sources and could take hours to complete. This case support included investigations related to homicides, robberies, child abductions, missing persons, and multi-jurisdictional organized criminal activity.

On a monthly basis the Division of Intelligence briefs the Governor of the State of Iowa as well as other key leadership members on issues of importance.

Analyzing Intelligence Data

Requests for Information	12,986
Case Support Hours	3,638
Shift Briefs Issues	256

Intelligence Operations Support

Cases Opened	357
Investigative Follow Up	206
Technical Support	340

Securing the Homeland

Threat Assessment for Large Gatherings	40
Emergency Ops Activations	36
Exercise Planning	58



Home
 Security





IOWA STATE PATROL DIVISION

The Iowa State Patrol's primary mission is on saving lives through traffic enforcement. The State Patrol is uniquely positioned to respond and provide sustained assistance to local agencies during large scale events or natural disasters occurring in our state. Historically, these events have included prison disturbances, college campus unrest, high-risk warrant execution, tornados, flooding and dignitary visits.

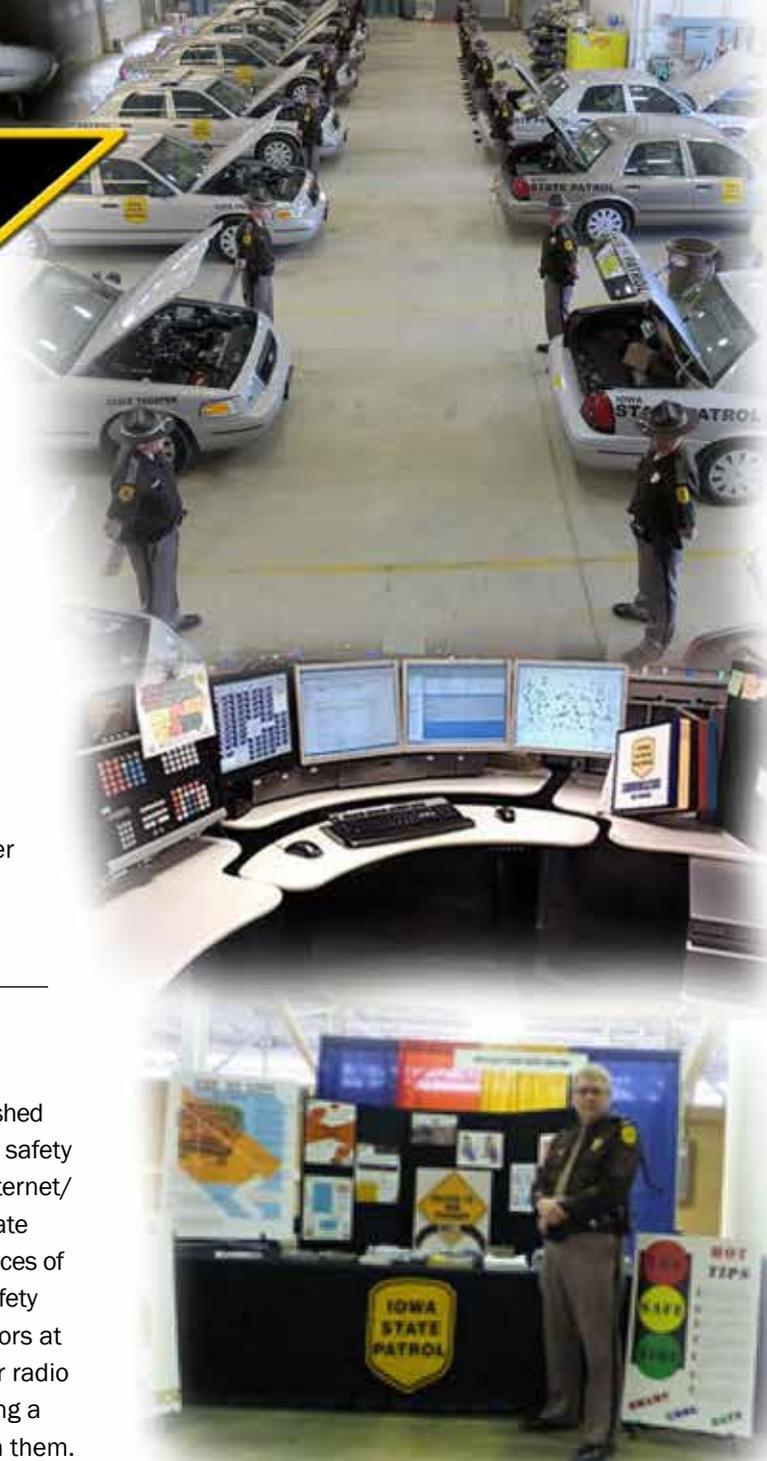
Iowa State Patrol Communications

Iowa State Patrol Communications personnel are often the first contact of people in an emergency. Patrol Communications provide full support services not only to all of the divisions within the Department, but also the National Guard, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Transportation and many other local and federal agencies. The Communication Centers in 2013 processed over 1.9 million telephone and radio calls. Iowa State Patrol Communications does the quality control for all warrants that are entered into the law enforcement network system database and verified over 32,000 warrants.

The Patrol Communications Technical section provides oversight over all Iowa Department of Public Safety radio communication and tower equipment, in-car video cameras, radar and instruments.

Safety Education Officers

The Safety Education Officers (SEO) of the Iowa State Patrol were established to provide educational presentations for the public on motor vehicle safety related topics. These topics have expanded over the years to the internet/ bicycle/pedestrian/campus safety programs to name a few. The State Patrol SEO's provided over 5,400 presentations in 2013 to schools, places of worship, service clubs and businesses throughout the state. The Safety Education Officers continue to excel nationally, taking 3rd place honors at the 2013 Uniformed Safety Education Officer Workshop (USEOW) for radio public service announcements. Their role is instrumental in providing a positive public image of the Iowa State Patrol to all that interact with them.





Road Troopers

During 2013 troopers working enforcement patrolled the roadways of Iowa in excess of 308,362 hours. During this same period they assisted over 20,400 motorists that were in need.

One of the core missions of the State Patrol is removing impaired drivers off the roadways of Iowa. Troopers arrested 1,924 impaired drivers in 2013.

The State Patrol teamed up with Department of Health and Department of Human Rights to reduce underage drinking among Iowa's youth and young adults. The State Patrol continues to conduct alcohol compliance checks in Iowa with a goal of not having any businesses selling alcohol to underage people. In 2013 these investigations resulted in 14.4% of the businesses checked still sold to minors. However, this is a significant decrease from the year before.

Crisis Negotiators

During 2013, the ISP Crisis Negotiation Program responded to a total of 27 calls for service which resulted in a total of 13 lives being saved as a direct result of negotiator efforts. These calls included suicidal subjects attempting to jump from bridges, armed and unarmed suicidal & barricaded subjects, armed subjects with multiple hostages, high risk warrants that turned into barricaded subjects, suicidal & mentally ill subjects that were in public locations. They also included individuals attempting to commit suicide by hanging or attempting to commit suicide-by-cop. In 2013, because of their knowledge, skills and abilities, the ISP Crisis Negotiator Program maintained a 100% success rate in preserving the lives of all subjects who were able to engage in negotiations. While the Crisis Negotiating Team is an Iowa State Patrol Unit, their expertise is utilized by other law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Iowa.





STATE FIRE MARSHAL DIVISION

The State Fire Marshal Division, established in 1911, is the oldest of the six divisions within the Department. Our mission statement is "Through promotion and enforcement of fire safety regulations, training, building code provisions, and arson investigations, this division helps reduce the loss of life and property by fire."

The State Fire Marshal Division is comprised of five Bureaus, employing 28 sworn officers and 44 civilian employees: Fire Prevention Bureau; Arson & Explosives Bureau; Building Code Bureau; Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau; and Fire Service Training Bureau.

The State Fire Marshal Division continues to work with the Iowa Firefighters Association and various corporate sponsors on the Statewide Smoke Detector Project. Launched on the 100th anniversary of the State Fire Marshal's Office, over 20,000 smoke detectors have been placed in the homes of Iowa's school children. There were 112 documented lives saved by smoke detectors during 2013.

Fire Prevention Bureau

The Fire Prevention Bureau consists of eleven field fire inspectors, two flammable liquid inspectors, and one inspector assigned to the healthcare inspection program.

The International Fire Code has been adopted as the current State Fire Code. It applies to all buildings in the State of Iowa except health care facilities that are enrolled in the federal Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Program, which has adopted the Life Safety Code which is applied nationwide.

During FY 2013, 3,749 Fire Code Inspections were conducted in a variety of facilities to ensure compliance with both federal and state laws and rules. Facilities inspected by our fire inspectors include: Nursing Homes; Child Care Facilities; Schools, Colleges, & State Institutions; Hospitals; Residential Care Facilities; State Owned Buildings; Jails & Penitentiaries.



Arson and Explosive Bureau

The Arson and Explosives Bureau has ten Special Agents and one Special Agent In Charge that investigate fire and explosion scenes to determine cause and conducts criminal investigations directed towards arrest and prosecution. The Bureau also has statewide responsibility for the investigation of bombings and other explosive devices and inspects and licenses explosive storage facilities throughout the state.

Each Special Agent of the Arson and Explosives Bureau is required to complete six weeks of training and re-certifications every three years to be certified as a bomb technician through the FBI Hazardous Devices School at Huntsville, Alabama.

The Bureau has two K-9 dogs with one located in Council Bluffs and the other located in Mt. Pleasant that are used for accelerant detection. Both accelerant K-9's have been utilized in many fire investigations and are available to assist any fire department or law enforcement agency with scene analysis.

The Bureau also has two K-9 dogs with one located in Garner and the other located in Waukee that are used for bomb and explosives detection. Both K-9's have been deployed throughout the state for explosive detection and are available to assist any agency.

Arson & Explosives Bureau

Opened 425 cases

Accidental Fires	46
Arson Fires	65
Undetermined	81
Explosive Disposal	67
Other	166

2013 Structure Fire Causes

Cooking Fires	408
Incendiary Devices	161
Open Flame	128
Heating	113
Electrical	126

Building Code Bureau

- Performed plan reviews on almost 629 sets of plans to ensure compliance with the State Building and Fire Codes.
- The Project Construction Values were more than \$900 Million dollars.
- Increased public outreach, through the delivery of numerous presentations to design professionals, building contractors, local code officials, elected officials and the public.
- Updated the adoption of the State Accessibility Code from the ADAAG 1994 edition to the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design.

Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau

The Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau continues to increase public awareness on the importance of electrical safety by educating property owners, business owners and electricians on how to properly install electrical wiring that meets the minimum National Electrical Code requirements.

The Electrical Licensing and Inspection Bureau has 15 field inspectors, 3 field supervisors, 1 field supervisor/electrical board secretary, 3 clerical support staff, 1 Secretary II, and 1 chief electrical inspector.

In FY 2013 the Bureau has :

- Issued 14,613 Electrical Permits
- Completed 25,761 Electrical Inspections
- Signed Reciprocal Electrician Licensing Agreements with surrounding states
- Enhancing the on-line software for the permitting/inspection and licensing programs
- Established procedures for enforcement

Fire Service Training Bureau

The Fire Service Training Bureau is Iowa's designated state fire academy, providing quality training and education for Iowa's fire and emergency services. In FY 13, the Bureau conducted 1,537 programs reaching 23,706 participants (including 1,294 classes with 20,043 students, and 243 certification test sites with 3,663 examinations).

The Bureau maintains an "accredited" professional certification program. Accreditation is awarded to the Bureau on a five-year cycle by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard). The Bureau's certification program is based on the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Professional Qualifications Standards.

The Bureau continues to manage the "Firefighting Equipment Revolving Loan" program. To date, a total of \$2,828,530 in loans have been granted to 34 fire departments. Six loans have been paid in full. A total of 12 additional requests (totaling \$1,140,490) are still in the system.

In addition to conducting the Annual State Fire School, the Bureau supported six regional fire schools (operated by local community colleges) during FY 13. The Bureau continues to partner with all 15 community college districts in the delivery of basic level firefighter training.





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