

Annual Report of the Ogallala Police Department



2014

Department Personnel

Administrators:

Chief of Police David Kling #410

Started August 1, 1994

Promoted to Sergeant

October 24, 1997

Promoted to Chief

November 20, 2005

Lieutenant Rod Kolsrud #413

Started May 16, 1988

Promoted to Lieutenant

July 19, 1992

Supervisors:

Sergeant Billy Davis #427

Started February 7, 1995

Promoted to Sergeant

April 4, 2000

Sergeant James Herman #424

Started October 30, 2000

Promoted to Sergeant

May 18, 2006

Administrative Secretary Christina Sigwing

Started September 24, 2012

Officers:

Code Officer Eric Troxel #421

Started August 12, 1994

Officer Tim Vance #428

Started February 16, 2004

Officer Tom Hudiburgh #422

Started December 13, 2004

Officer Bo Roberts #429

Started May 7, 2007

Officer Joshua Gallagher #426

Started May 19, 2008

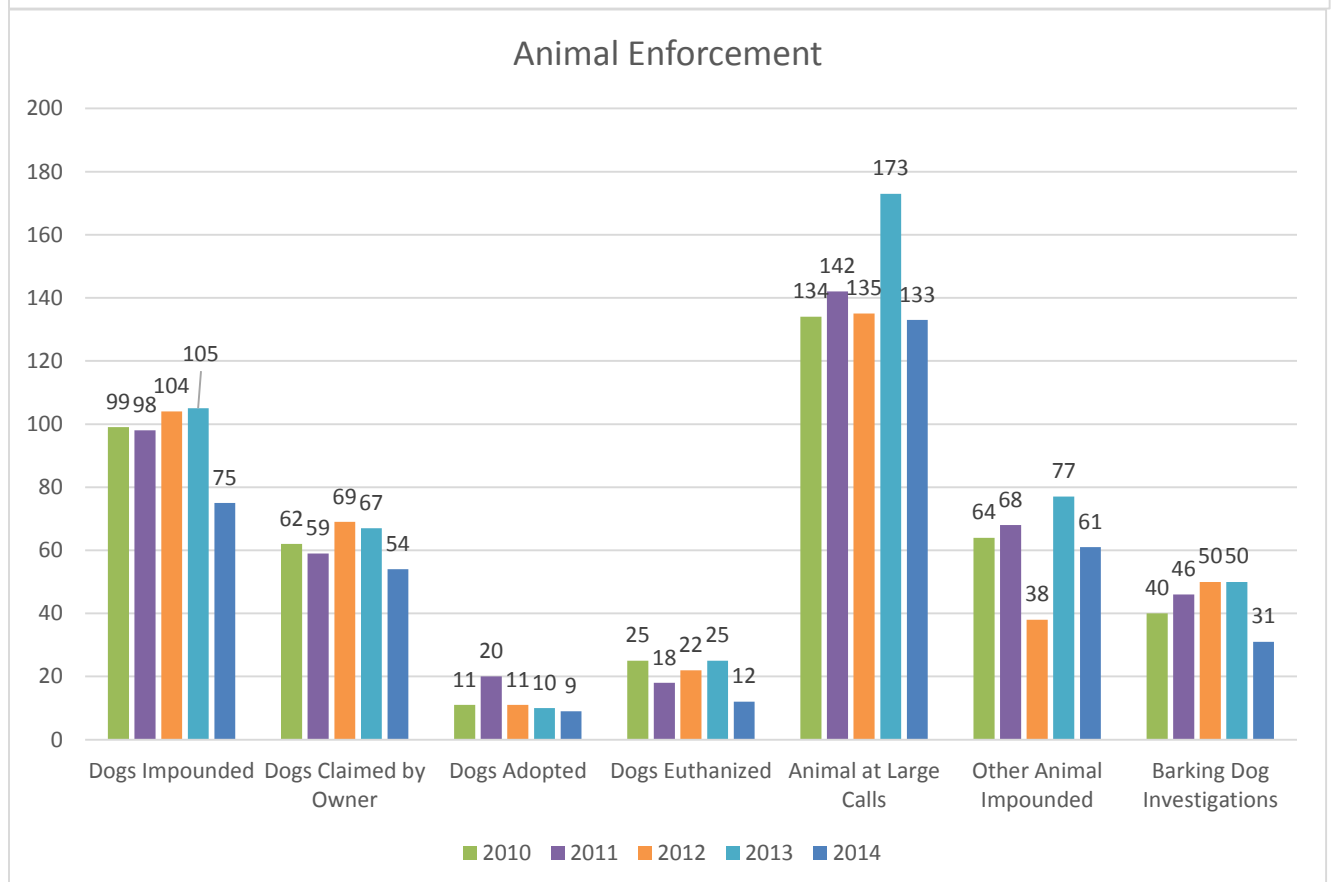
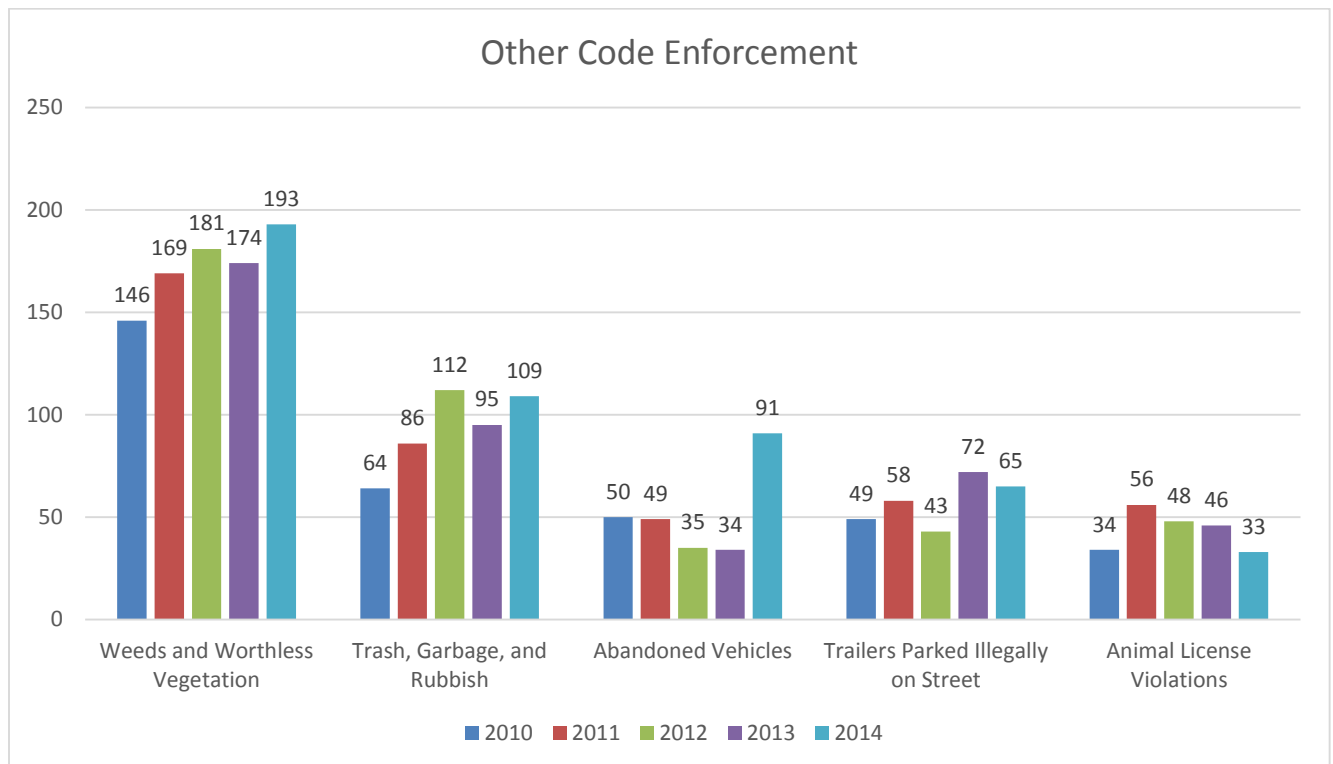
Officer Matt Elder #425

Started April 4, 2011

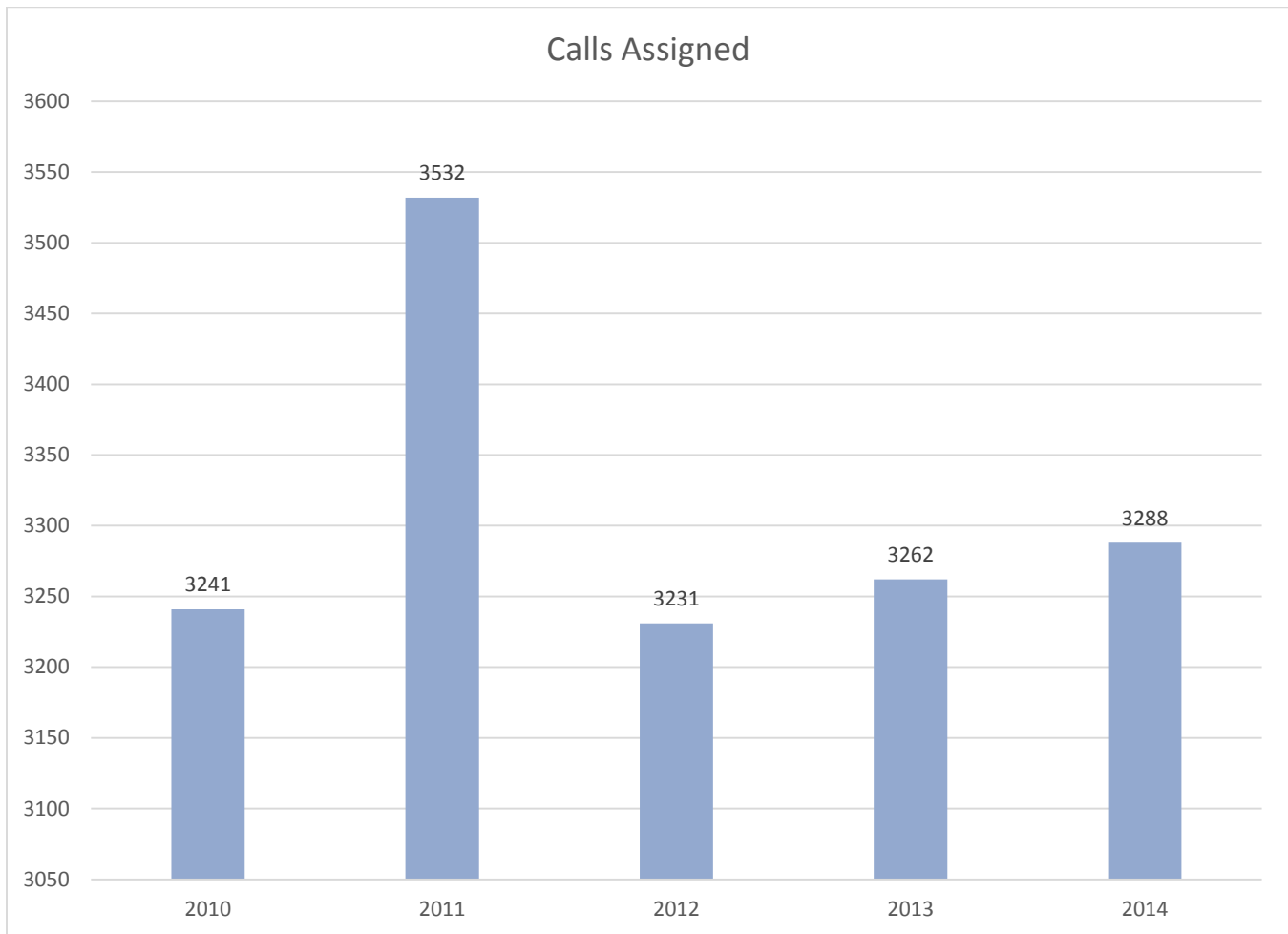
The department has an authorized strength of 10 certified officers and 1 civilian employee. There were no new hire's in 2014.

Officers of the department belong to several local, state, and national organizations. Officers are members of The Board of Directors of The Police Chief's Association of Nebraska (PCAN), The Board of Directors of Keith County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), The Blue Knights, The Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA), The Nebraska Information Analysis Center (NIAC), The Cooperative Operation for Drug Enforcement (CODE) Task Force, The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), The Ogallala Youth Committee, Keith County Crimestoppers, Ogallala Board of Health, Nebraska Criminal Justice Information System (NCJIS), Police Officer's Association of Nebraska (POAN), Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), The Nebraska Law Enforcement Intelligence Network (NeLEIN), Nebraska Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors (NALEFI), Midwest Gang Investigators Association (MGIA), 4-H, Boys Scouts of America, Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center (MOCIC), The National Animal Control Association (NACA), Big Mac Sports Club, National Rifle Association (NRA) , and International Hunter Education Association (IHEA).

Code Enforcement: Officer Eric Troxel is the Code Officer for Ogallala. His main responsibilities pertain to Animals, Health and Sanitation Violations, Trash and Weed Violations, and Abandoned Vehicles. We did see an overall drop in Animal Code Enforcement in 2014. On the whole, 2014 Other Code Enforcement Calls showed an increase from 2013.



Calls for Service



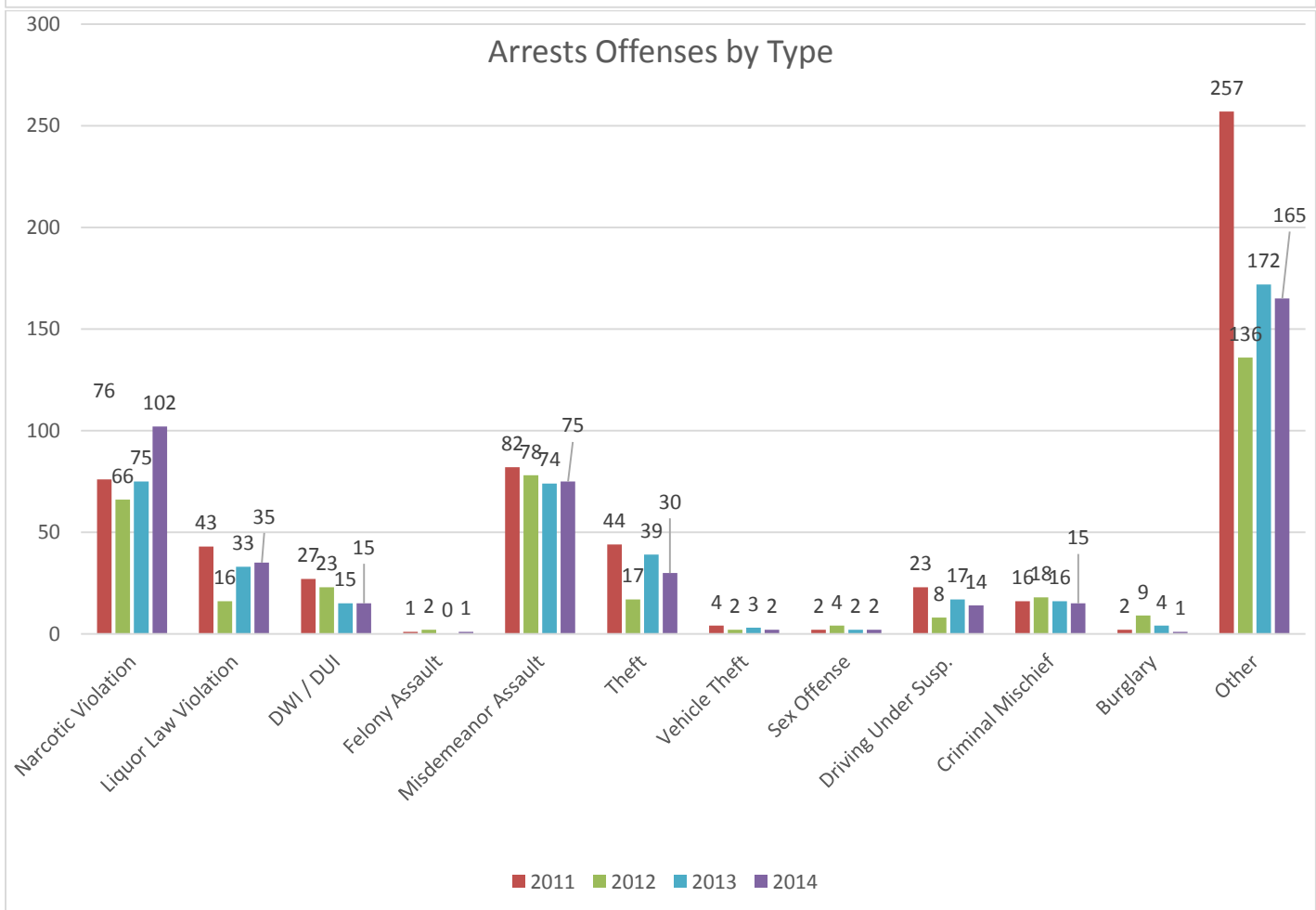
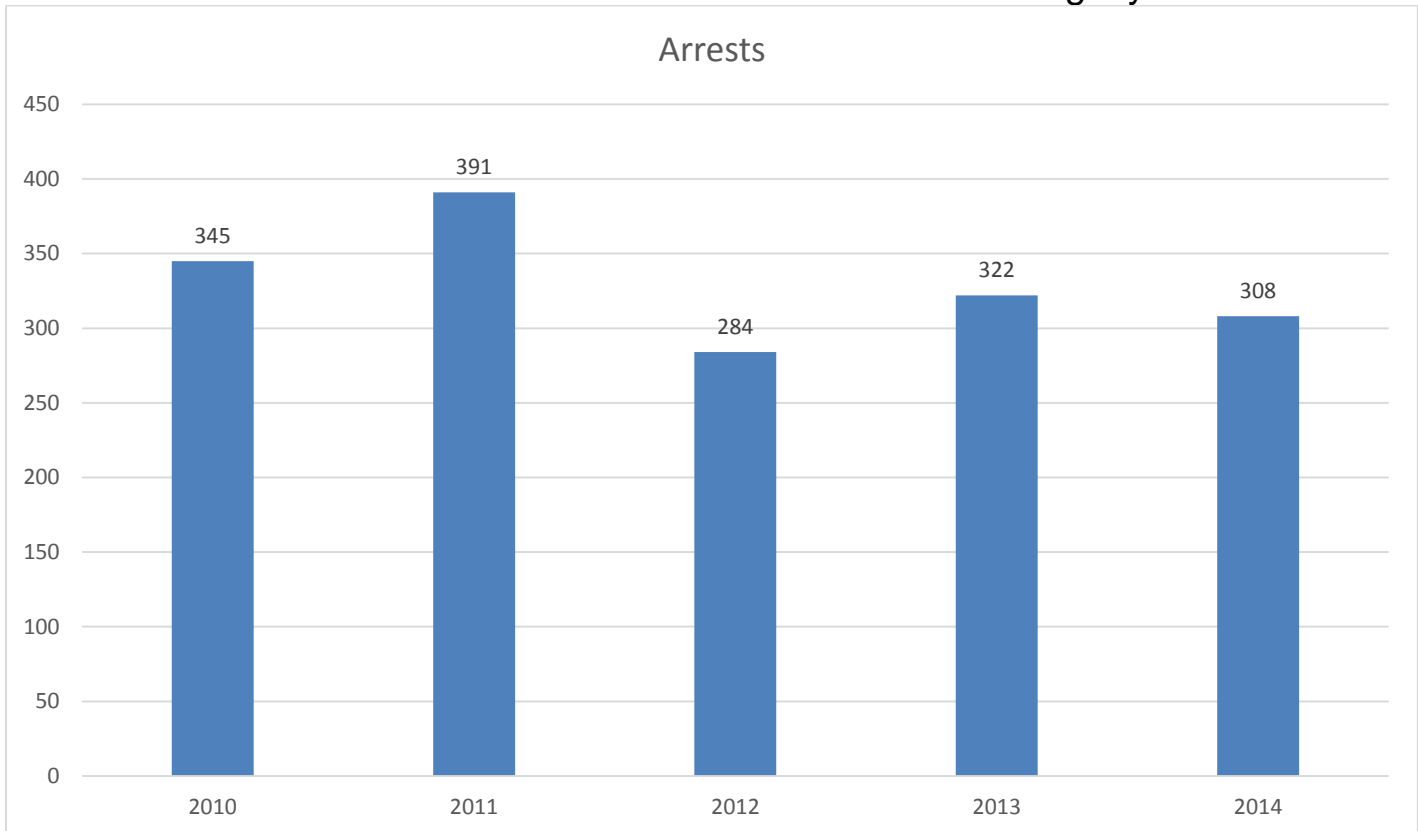
The Top Ten Calls for Service in 2014 Were:

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| 1. Ordinance Violations (805 Calls) | 2. Citizen Assistance (446) |
| 3. Information Calls (257) | 4. Ambulance Calls (21) |
| 5. Suspicious Circumstance Calls (172) | 6. Accident Calls (162) |
| 7. Disturbance Calls (14) | 8. Theft Calls (139) |
| 9. Assist Other Agency Calls (121) | 10. Civil Matter Calls (71) |

Overall, Calls for Service were up about 1% for 2014.

It is important to note that a “Call for Service” is an assigned call from the Keith County Communication Center, or an on-site call from an officer. Not every “Call for Service” is going to generate a report.

2014 Arrest Information- Arrests in 2014 were down slightly from 2013.



NIBRS

NIBRS stands for The National Incident-Based Reporting System. NIBRS is a system in which agencies collect data on each single crime occurrence. NIBRS data comes from local, state, and federal automated records' systems. NIBRS collects data on each single incident and arrest within 22 offense categories made up of 46 specific crimes called Group A Offenses. For each of these offenses coming to the attention of law enforcement, specific types of facts about each crime are reported. An offense is Cleared by arrest, citation, or referral for prosecution. There may be a warrant issued for a crime, but the case is not Cleared until the suspect is arrested. It is important to remember that this list does not include calls such as Ordinance Calls and Minor Violations. Also the Homicide listed is an attempt.

CALLS								CLEARED CALLS						RATE
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	GROUP A OFFENSES	Code		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
	0	0	0	0	1	Homicide	09A		0	0			1	100.00%
	2	2	1	2	1	Kidnapping	100			1	1	2	1	100.00%
	7	4	6	5	4	Sexual Assault	11A/B/C/D		6	1	4	3	4	100.00%
	0	0	2	0	0	Robbery	120		0	0	2	0	0	0.00%
						ASSAULT								
	58	54	64	43	55	Assaults	13A/B/C		56	50	57	40	50	90.91%
	13	17	18	17	21	Domestic Assaults			13	16	16	14	20	95.24%
	0	0	0	0	0	Arson	200		0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	9	15	10	9	14	Burglary	220		1	5	7	3	1	7.14%
						THEFT								
	10	8	7	8	13	Shoplifting	23C		9	6	5	6	12	92.31%
	15	16	12	21	15	From Building	23D		8	4	1	10	5	33.33%
	0	1	0	0	0	Machine	23E		0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	21	27	23	16	12	From Vehicle	23F		4	4	4	2	1	8.33%
	5	2	4	5	3	Vehicle Parts	23G		1	1	2	1	1	33.33%
	55	24	11	21	12	Gas Drive Off	23I		24	10	6	11	4	33.33%
	23	65	53	54	48	Theft Other	23H		10	24	17	25	19	39.58%
	6	8	3	7	7	Motor Vehicle Theft	240		3	6	1	6	4	57.14%
	10	21	11	10	9	Fraud/ Forgery	250/26A/B/C/D/E		7	16	2	5	2	22.22%
	7	6	1	2	5	Stolen Property	280		5	6	1	2	3	60.00%
	79	94	61	52	61	Vandalism	290		24	21	19	15	26	42.62%
	83	68	57	67	83	Drug Offenses	35A/B		83	63	53	61	79	95.18%
	4	5	6	4	8	All Others			4	5	6	3	8	100.00%
	405	437	350	343	372	Total Group A Offenses			258	239	204	209	241	64.78%
						Clearance Rate			63.7%	54.7%	58.3%	60.9%		

Officer Activity

ACTIVITY	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
BAR CHECKS	278	199	135	126	213
OPEN BUSINESS CHECKS	5990	4876	4479	4313	4772
BUILDING SECURITY CHECKS	11603	10313	6758	3625	8062
FALSE ALARM CALLS	64	62	85	72	69
OPEN DOOR FOUND BY OFFICER	90	73	68	41	82
TRAFFIC CONTACTS	2589	1829	1827	1751	1812
TOTAL MILEAGE DRIVEN	76661	58420	64548	59687	66179

Traffic

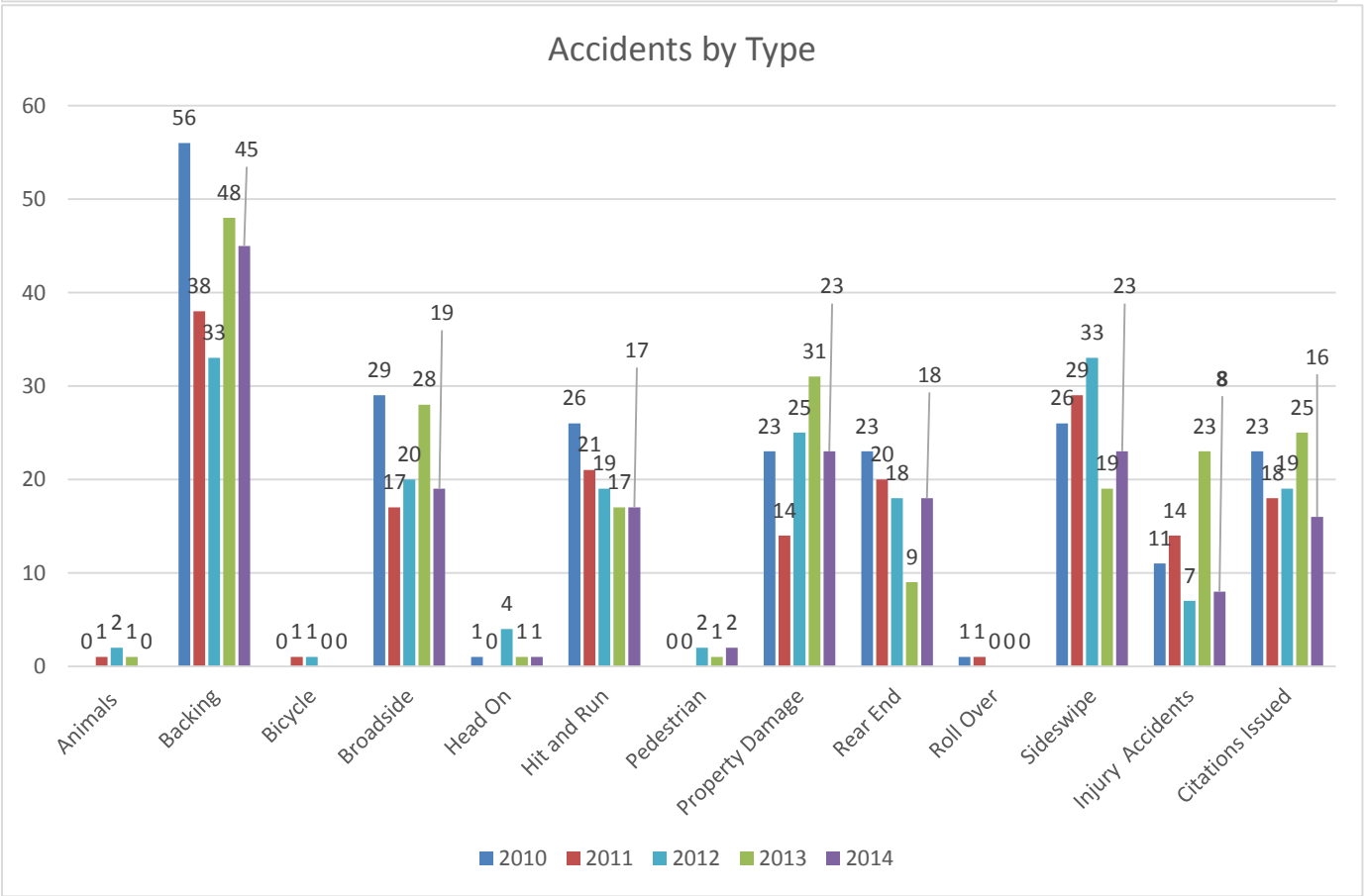
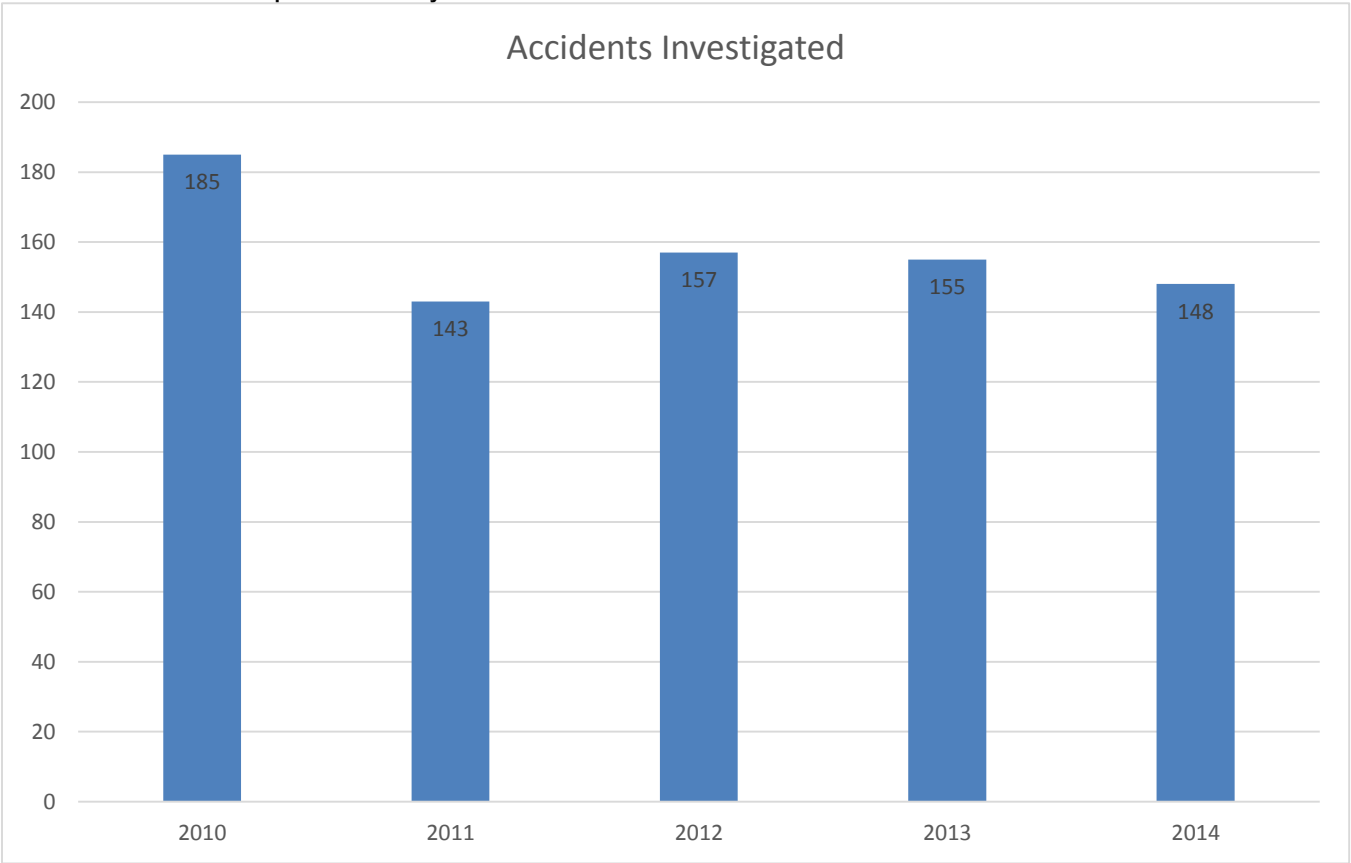
The Top Ten Traffic Stop Infractions of 2014 were:

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| 1. Speeding | 6. No Headlight |
| 2. No Proof of Insurance | 7. No Red Taillight |
| 3. No Registration | 8. No Operator's License |
| 4. Stop Sign Violation | 9. Improper Turn |
| 5. No Brake Lights | 10. No Seat Belts |

Parking Citations

Violation Type	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Restricted Zone / Handicapped	3	5	1	12	6
Left Side to Curb	19	13	6	9	8
Blocking Alley	3	3	5	2	2
Obstructing Private Drive	2	0	2	1	2
Within 15 Feet of Fire Hydrant	7	3	9	1	1
Other	5	3	3	4	6

Accidents: As you will see in the following chart, in the year 2014 accidents remained consistent with the prior three years.



Training

Officers of the Ogallala Police Department attended 556.5 hours of training in 2014. This was down from 574 hours in 2013. 79.5 hours of this training was in the form of monthly department meetings. Training consisted of a Sleuth RMS Training, PPCT Instructor Class, Child Passenger Safety Technician Update, Human Trafficking, Weather Spotter Training, NeLein Conference, LECC Conference, Defensive Tactics Training, NeLein School, NRA Chief Range Safety Office, Domestic Violence Response, CPR Recertification, Nebraska School Safety Conference, MOCIC Conference, Annual Firearms Qualification, and National Animal Control Association Level 4 Training.

Impound

In June of 2008, the City of Ogallala established a City Impound. Since that time the City Impound has housed vehicle from arrests made in Ogallala by the Ogallala Police Department and Nebraska State Patrol. The impound has generated decent income for the city since its creation.

Total profit for 2014 was \$4,694.00 with 2 vehicles that will be auctioned.

Prior year profits are:

2008:	June to December	\$2,260.00
2009:		\$4,105.00
2010:		\$4,612.00
2011:		\$6,084.00
2012:		\$4,537.00
2013:		\$2,940.00

Major Cases

On 010214 Officer received a call for a suspicious odor at the Super 8 Motel 500 East A South. Upon an investigation Officers located about 6 pounds of Marijuana, Paraphernalia, and a Controlled Substance. 28 year old Tommy Collins of Missouri was placed under arrest for possession of marijuana more than 1 pound, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and a drug tax stamp violation.

On 010714 Officers received a call for a disturbance that just occurred in the 400 block of West 4th St and was advised that one of the individuals was coming back with a shotgun. While in route Officer were advised that the individual was trying to gain entry into the residence again. Upon arrival Officers made contact with 55 year old Scott Brodbeck, who had a shotgun, and placed him under arrest for Terroristic threats, Use of a firearm to commit a felony, and 3rd Degree Assault.

On February 11, 2014, Officers were dispatched to the 700 Block of West H for a possible assault with a weapon. After investigation, 35 year old Bryan M Brawley of Ogallala was placed under arrest for Attempted Murder, Use of a Weapon to Commit a Felony, Terroristic Threats, Disturbing the Peace, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Brawley was transported and housed at the Keith County Jail.

On 021714, an officer made traffic stop on vehicle in the 1000 block of West A Street for No Plates. Following traffic stop officer spoke to driver and received consent to search the vehicle. Upon searching the vehicle several bags of suspected methamphetamine were found. Also found was a loaded .40 caliber Glock Pistol, an 8" long tactical knife and prescription pills. Following the search 36 year old Jason Davis of Ogallala and 40 year old Penny Saxton of Ogallala were arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Distribute, Possession of a Controlled Substance with a Firearm, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On 030714, officers were called to the 400 Block of North Spruce in regards to a stolen vehicle. An unknown person or persons stole a 2005 Mercury Sable 4Door. Upon investigation Officers located the vehicle in Ogallala and upon further investigation Officers arrested Hershey Resident Shannon A Hoffman for Motor Vehicle Theft and Unauthorized Use of a Propelled Vehicle.

On 032014, an officer was notified by the Lexington Police Department about a subject in Ogallala with Possible stolen property. Officer made contact with subject and learned that he did have the property. The property was checked through NCIC/NCIS and discovered to be entered as stolen. The subject a 27 year old Ogallala male named Paul Snyder was arrested for Theft by Receiving Stolen Property and jailed at the Keith County Jail.

On 032414 Officer received a call for unwanted touching that occurred at the Ogallala High School. Upon an investigation a 15 year old juvenile male was issued a citation for 3rd Degree Sexual Assault and released to his parents.

On 040314 Officer were called to Best Western for a disturbance prior. After an investigation of the incident Officers placed a 33 year old Maryland male, Alejandro Reyes, for 3rd Degree Domestic Assault and 2nd Degree False Imprisonment. He was transported to the Keith County Jail where he was turned over to jail staff.

On 061314 Officer observed a motorcycle in the 200 block of East 6th St with a driver that was not wearing a helmet. Officer tried to stop the motorcycle and it attempted to flee. A small pursuit ensued and 52 year old Alex Kimmons of Ogallala was placed under arrest for Operating a Motor Vehicle to Avoid Arrest, Resisting Arrest, Obstructing a Police Officer, Driving Under Revocation, Possession of Marijuana less than 1 oz., Possession of Drug paraphernalia, Willful Reckless Driving, and multiple traffic violations.

On 072614 Officers received a call for an assault that occurred in the 700 block of East 2nd and the victim was at the Ogallala Community Hospital. Upon an investigation the suspect had to be placed into Emergency Protect Custody and the Report was forwarded to the County Attorney for a warrant. The suspect was later arrested for the Felony Assault after he was released from protective custody.

On 111714, an officer took report of a burglary in the 500 Block West 1st. After investigation, 18 year old Austin Candy of Brule was placed under arrest for Burglary and Possession of Stolen Property. Candy was transported to the Keith County Jail and booked in. A warrant has been requested for a second subject.