

# TRC

## 2019 Year in Review

### Trends in 2019

The main priority of the Tactical Review Committee (TRC) and the Year in Review Report is to identify trends and patterns observed in the field during Officer-Involved Shootings (OIS) and allowing those identified trends and patterns to assist in the evolution of our Departmental training and development.

An Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) is defined as any incident in which a Phoenix officer discharges a firearm in response to an active threat by a subject. Accidental discharges, discharges at animals, and discharges at objects outside of an active threat by a subject are not included in the counts.

From January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, sworn personnel from the Phoenix Police Department were involved in fifteen (15) Officer-Involved-Shooting (OIS) incidents. From a statistical perspective, the following information was found to be of interest for beneficial training points:

#### Personnel Trends

- While there were fifteen (15) OIS incidents for the year 2019, there were a total of twenty-six (26) officers who discharged their firearms during these incidents.
- Of the twenty-six (26) officers, fourteen (14) were assigned to patrol and twelve (12) were assigned to support details (Special Assignments Unit/Canine or the Fugitive Apprehension Detail) within the Department.

#### Deployment Trends

- Of the twenty-six (26) involved officers', fifteen (15) or 60 percent engaged in the OIS with a handgun, while (11) or 40 percent engaged with a rifle.
- Seven (7) or 47 percent of the fifteen (15) Handgun deployments were within zero (0) to twenty-one (21) feet.
- Two (2) or 40 percent of the eleven (11) Rifle deployments were within zero (0) to twenty-one (21) feet.

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### Current Trends

#### Subject Trends

- Of the fifteen (15) OIS incidents, thirteen (13) or 87 percent involved subjects with a real or replicated firearms.
- The largest contributing factors to the OIS incidents were fourteen (14) aggravated assaults on police officers. (\*\*Note that some of the OIS incidents had more than one contributing factor.)
- Twelve (12) or 80 percent of the subjects involved with Phoenix Police officers in an OIS received fatal wounds, two (2) or 13 percent received severe injuries and one (1) or 7 percent with no injury.

#### Incident Trends

- Throughout the calendar year 2019 incidents were spread more evenly across the week except for Monday with (4) four OIS incidents.
- Five (5) or 30 percent of Incidents occurred during shift one hours (0600-1359 Hours), four (4) or 30 percent occurred during shift two hours (1400-2159), and six (6) or 40 percent of incidents occurred during third shift hours (2200-0559 hours).
- Nine (9) or 60 percent of OIS incidents involved Phoenix Police Officers responding to calls for service, of which seven (7) or 47 percent were for Priority 1 radio calls and two (2) or 13 percent were for Priority 2 calls for service.
- Of the nine (9) incidents (calls for service), one (1) occurred within two to five minutes of officers having contact with the subject, five (5) occurred within six to fifteen minutes of officer contact, one (1) within sixteen to thirty minutes and two (2) thirty-one minutes or more.

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# Training and Development

The Training Bureau and the Tactical Review Committee examined the fifteen (15) OIS incidents in 2019 to identify any significant trends and /or training opportunities for Department personnel. The TRC evaluated previous training topics and the potential effectiveness of the training to the critical incident. This was established through responses by employees during post incident interviews. The committee also reviewed current training subjects to determine any benefits to the critical incidents. The TRC completed the review by establishing future training topics for department personnel.

With review of the OIS incidents the following identified topics of training either assisted/or worked well, was recommended, or lessons learned following review of interviewed officers involved. In summary are the identified areas noted:

**Prior/Current Department Training:** The following training assisted or worked well for officers with the safe resolution during critical incidents: Shooting in and around vehicles (Tactical Use of Cover), cover and concealment, squad-based training, handgun and rifle training, downed/extraction of subject/officer rescue, small team tactics, 2017/2018 module focusing on ambush of officers, Active Shooter Intervention Training, Handgun/Quarterly Rifle training, Sergeant/Lieutenant Supervisor School, Tactical Village scenarios, high risk vehicle stops, first aid training and the application of tourniquets.

**Recommended Training:** Utilize moving target system, repositioning to acquire and identify targets, utilizing vehicles to improve cover/concealment and successfully return fire (fighting around vehicles), stress inoculation with gunfire, approaching/extraction of downed subjects, legal justification/proper application for Use of Deadly Force, Threat Identification training, more Virtra training, Ambush training, more squad based training and repetition in Tactical Village, proper mindset/ and avoidance of complacency, continued training for all officers with ASI incidents, proper application of two officer contact and cover, proficiency training dealing with subjects who are in crisis (C.I.T.).

**Lessons Learned:** Train more with moving targets, engaging armed subjects who are laying down, safe approach/contacting and providing first aid of downed subjects, reinforce communication and tactics for arriving officers, small team tactics/movement, utilizing cover, decision making on threat identification and furtive movement of

subjects, more officer ambush training, more squad based training, more training for supervisors and their role in critical incidents, more training less-lethal/shotgun and rifle training, defensive tactics and close quarter lethal engagement, additional training for radio dispatchers during critical incidents, proper application of contact and cover officers.

The Tactical Training Detail created several advanced training opportunities for officers and squads seeking additional training on tactics, de-escalation strategies, emergency medicine and leadership. The following is a list of training provided to Phoenix Police Department basic/recruit and in-service based on information gathered throughout the year:

### **Basic/Recruit Training:**

All Phoenix Classes were provided 69 hours of instruction broken down into the following classes: Basic Building Search, Interactive Survival Training, Small Team Tactics, Bunker Training, Crisis Entry, Active Shooter Intervention, Officer Survival, Decision Making Matrix and De-Escalation, and Taser and Less-Lethal tools.

### **Advanced/In-Service Training:**

The Tactical Training Detail created and provided the following mandatory classes to personnel not to include catalog classes which are currently being developed based on current trends. Curriculum is based with noted areas of training needs observed either during critical incidents to include officer involved shootings (OIS) or secondary review of incidents observed in the field which require proficiency training: These training sessions include but are not limited to Force Options Training (concluded in 2019), Threat Identification, Tactical Use of Cover, Taser 7 Roll-out, Open Gym Defensive Tactics, Field Training Officer Update, Sergeants Prerequisite course, Sergeants 40-Hour School, Lieutenants 30-Hour School, Leadership School and Active Shooter Intervention.

The Tactical Training Detail produced shortly after the 2017-2018 in-service module concluded and noted a continuing national trend of active shooter events. In one specific instance, officers (in a different state) were observed staging outside of a school, while the gunman was shooting and critically wounding children. At this time, the Tactical Training Detail began working in a concerted effort with the Phoenix Fire Department and Radio Communications, putting training together that would address this national trend in a cooperative way. The innovative training and approach to these incidents has once again placed both the Phoenix Police and Fire Departments on the national stage as being the model on how to respond to these types of mass casualty incidents. Presently,

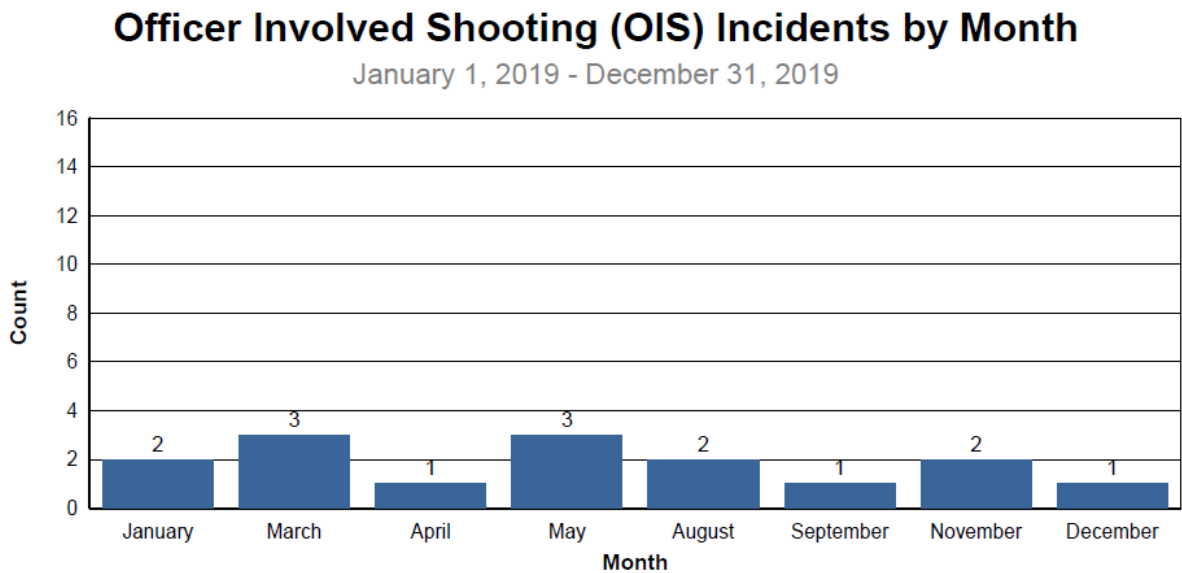
ASI training is continuing with future training session scheduled through 2020/2021.

Due to the unprecedented number of Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) incidents in 2018 in Phoenix, the TRC identified areas of training following the National Police Foundation Report which were put together in an in-service training format. The first section of this training utilizes the new online training platform in which officers will participate in three (3) separate modules to include, Use of Force Review (Policy and Law), Patrol Negotiations, and Less Lethal Tools and Resources (focusing on De-Escalation Strategies). The second segment of this training, will be squad-based in-person proficiency training which will have two (2) hours of defensive tactics, four (4) hours of decision making drills utilizing technology with simulators mirroring incidents seen by officers throughout the first half of 2018, capped off with four (4) hours of scenario-based training focusing on the application of strategies learned throughout the training to successfully solve each problem faced. Currently, we have completed this training with approximately 60 percent from the field left to complete. The primary course of instruction provided by Tactical Training Detail has been squad based in nature with Threat Identification, Tactical Use of Cover, and Taser 7 rollout.

# Statistical Snapshot

During the year 2019, police officers from the Phoenix Police Department were involved in fifteen (15) critical incidents involving the use of deadly force, known as Officer-Involved Shootings (OIS).

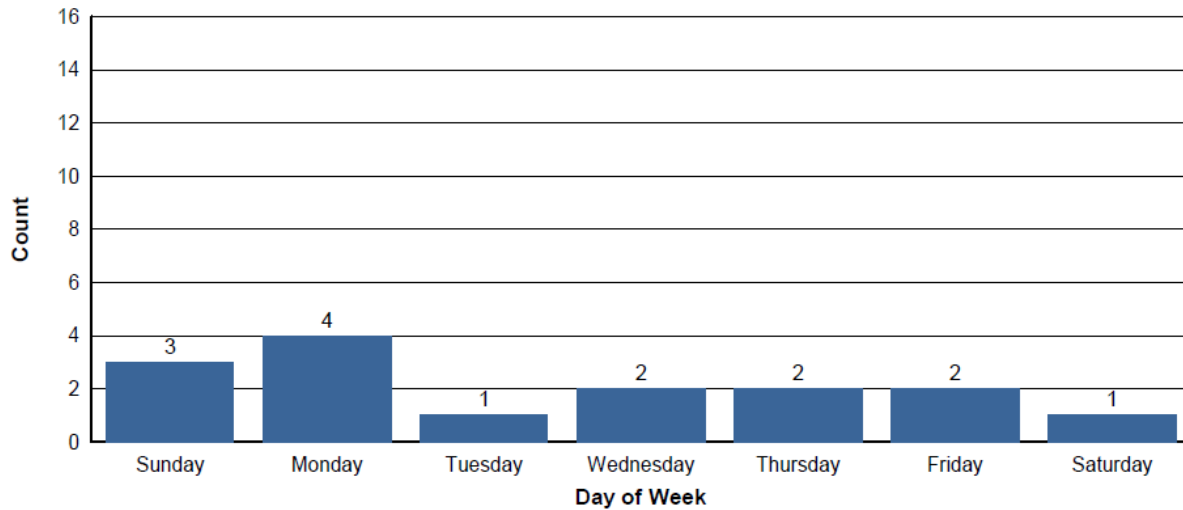
The data and analysis found in the following statistical snapshot stems from the combined effort of members from the Professional Standards Bureau, Crime Analysis and Research Unit (CARU) and the Training Bureau.



*There were no OIS incidents in February, June, July, or October 2019 so those months are not shown on the chart.*

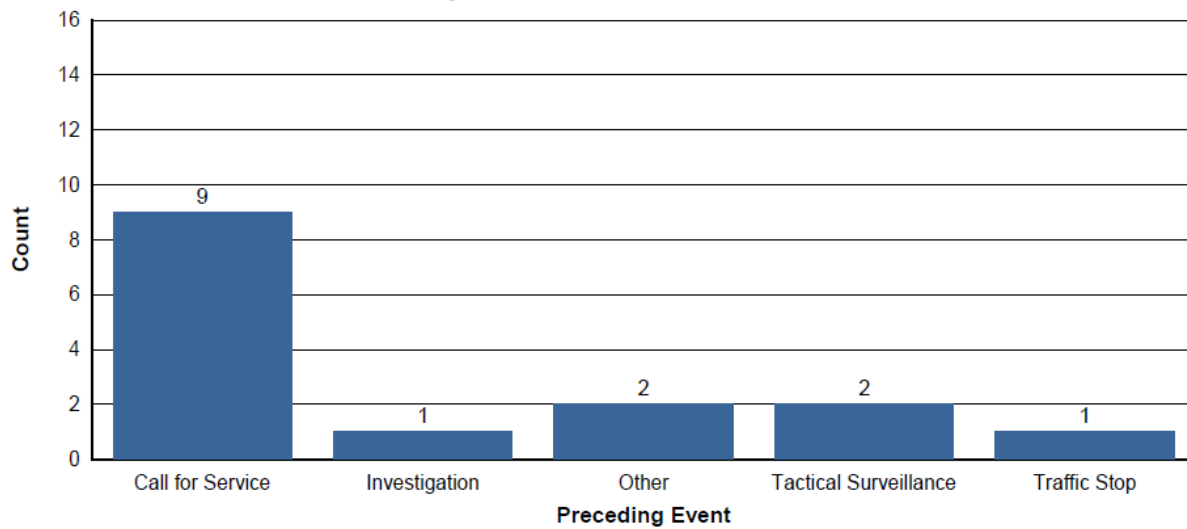
## Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) Incidents by Day of Week

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



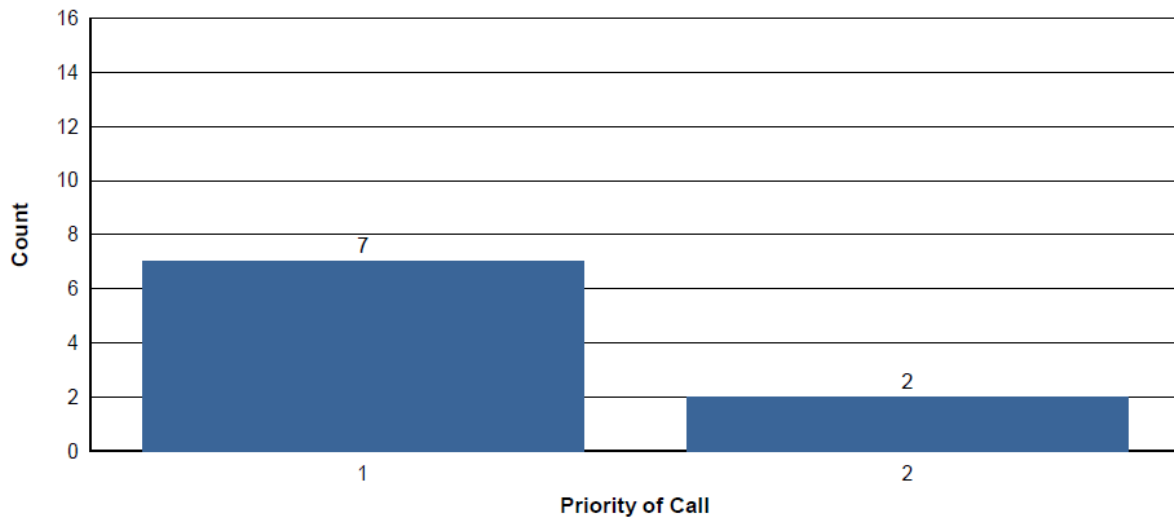
## Initial Contacts that Preceded the OIS Incident

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



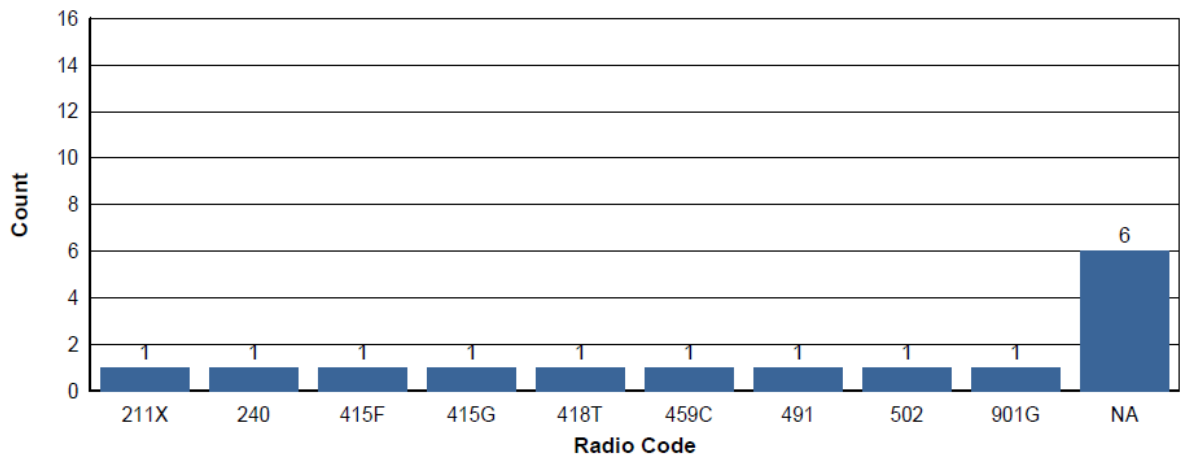
## Priority of Initial Radio Call

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



## Initial Call Type for OIS Incidents

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

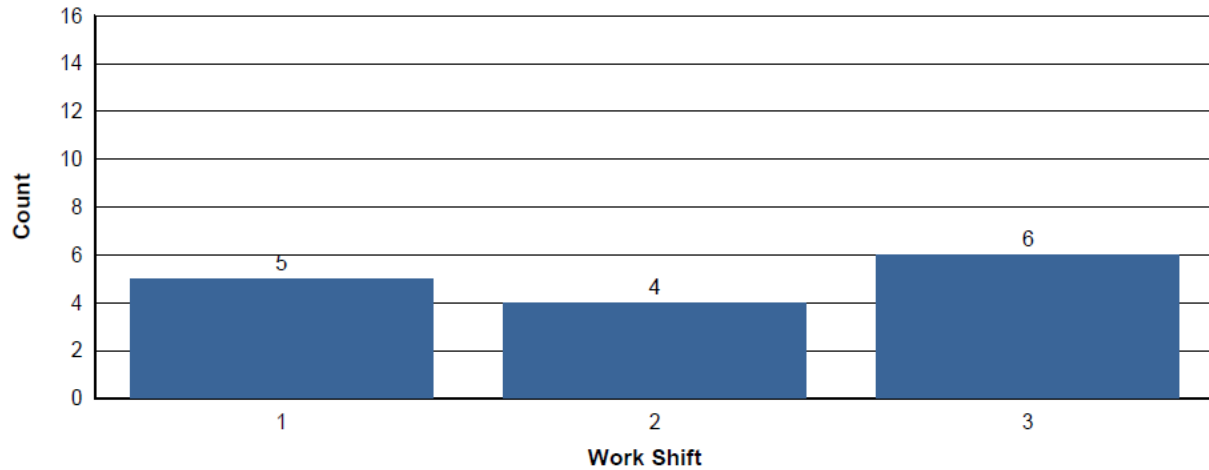


*OIS incidents that did not originate from a citizen-generated call for service are shown as NA.*



## Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) Incidents by Work Shift

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

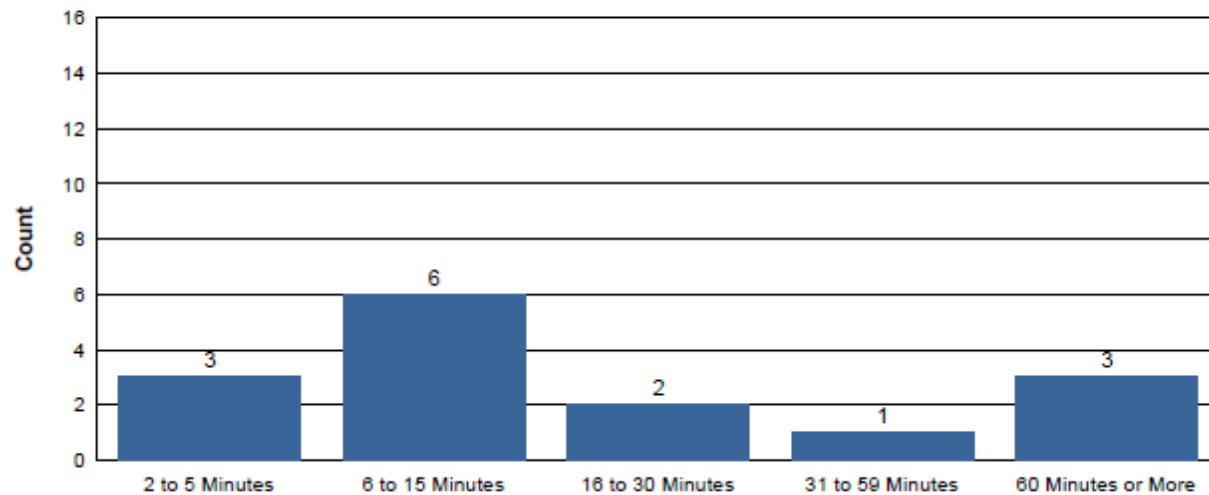


Shift 1: 0600-1359, Shift 2: 1400-2159, Shift 3: 2200-0559

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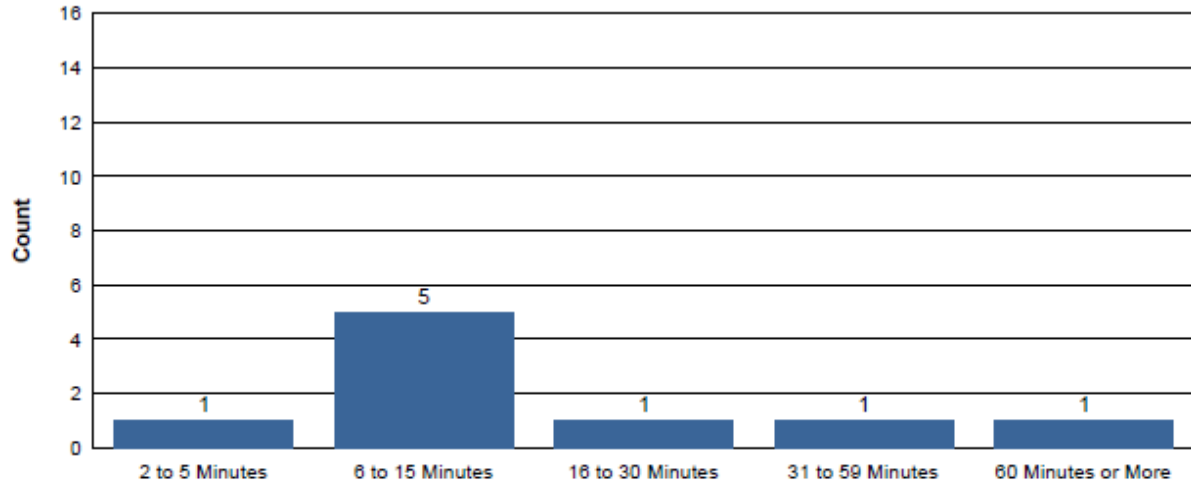
## Arrival Time to OIS Time

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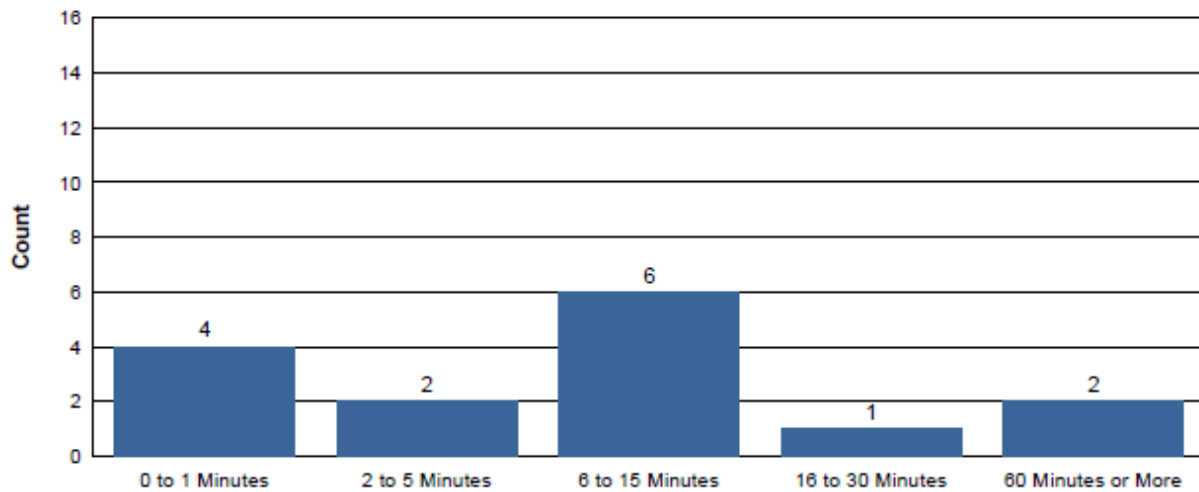
## Arrival Time to OIS Time (Calls for Service only)

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



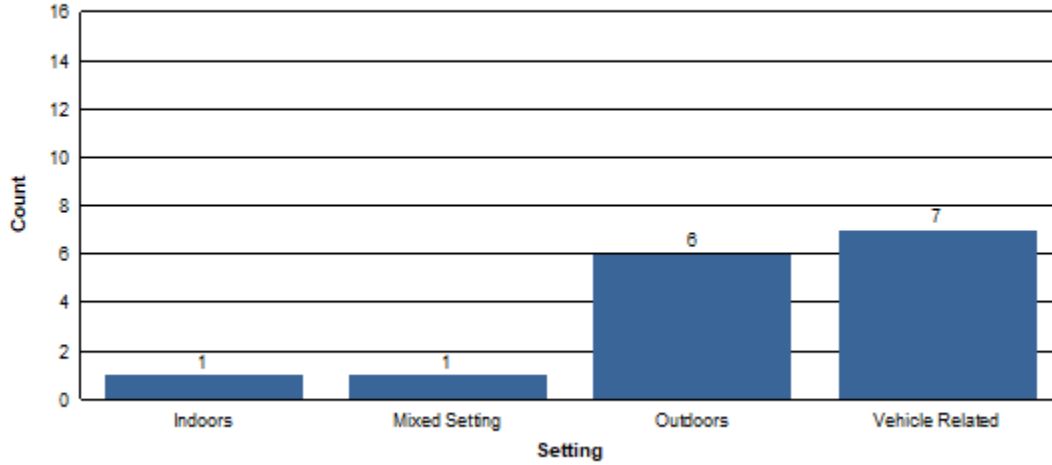
## Subject Contact Time to OIS Time

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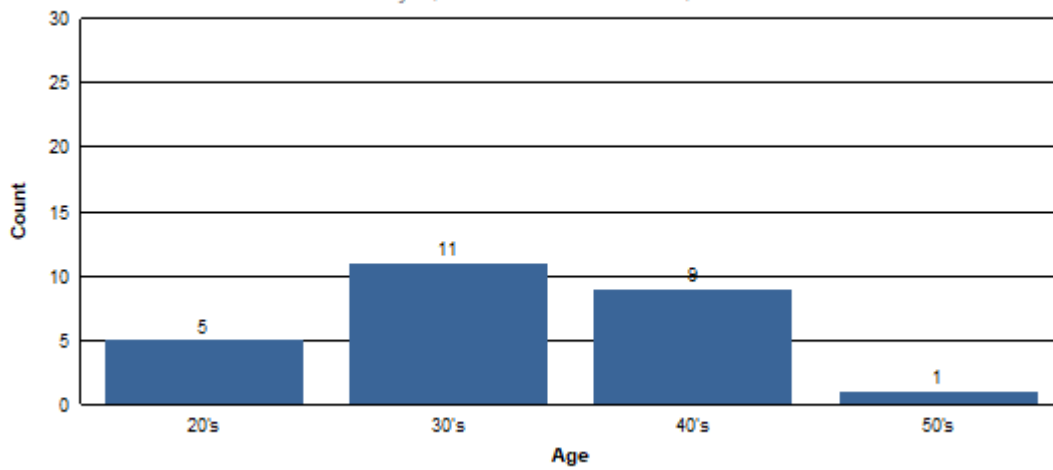
## Setting of OIS Incidents

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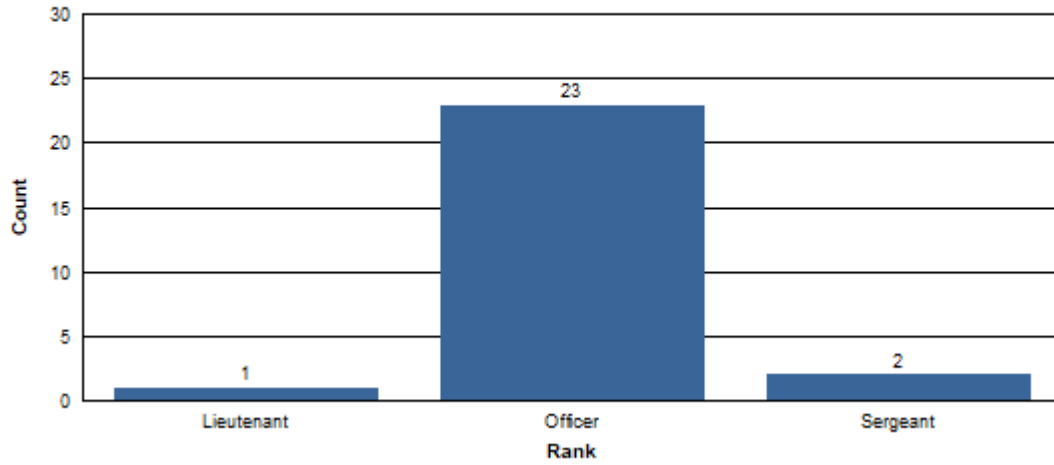
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January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



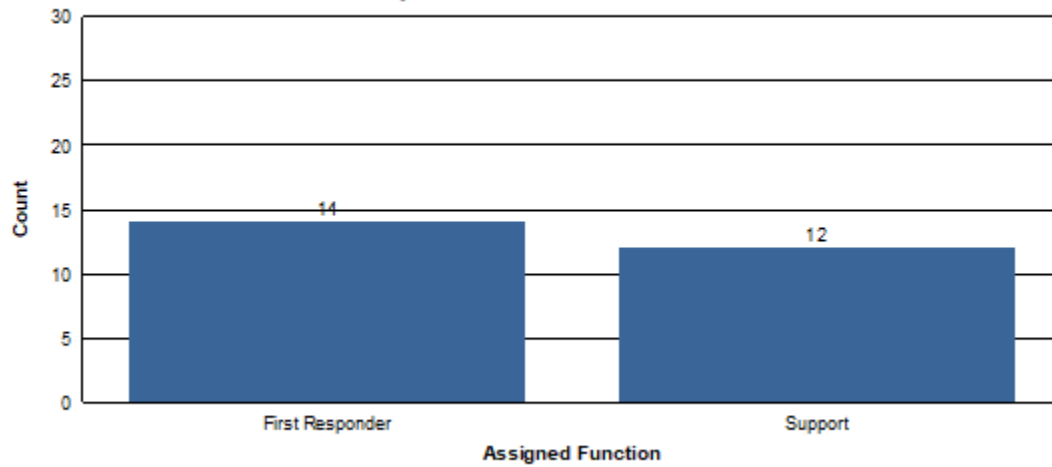
### Rank of OIS Officers

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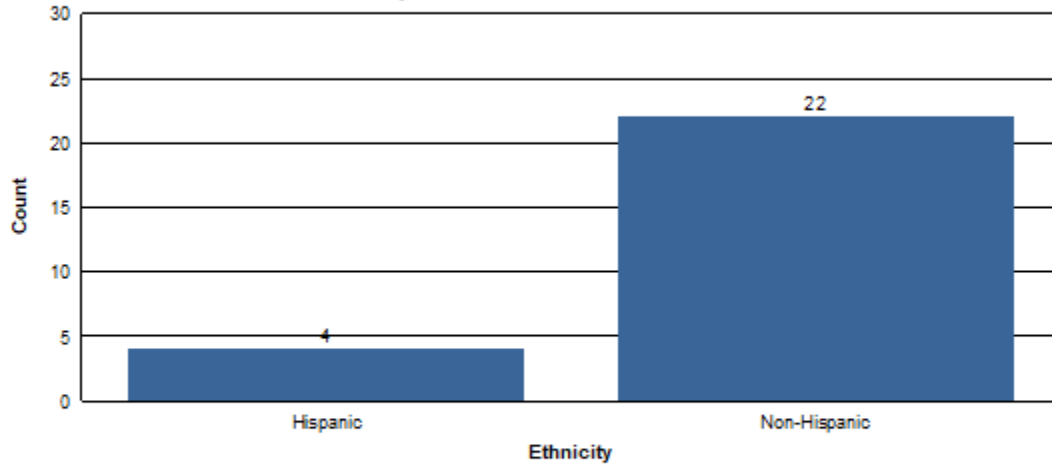
### Assigned Function of OIS Officers

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



## Ethnicity of OIS Officers

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

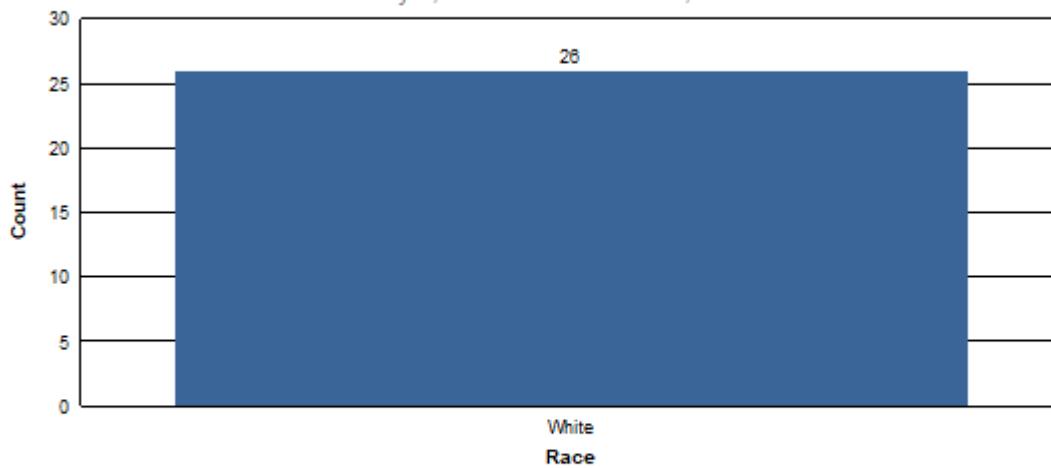


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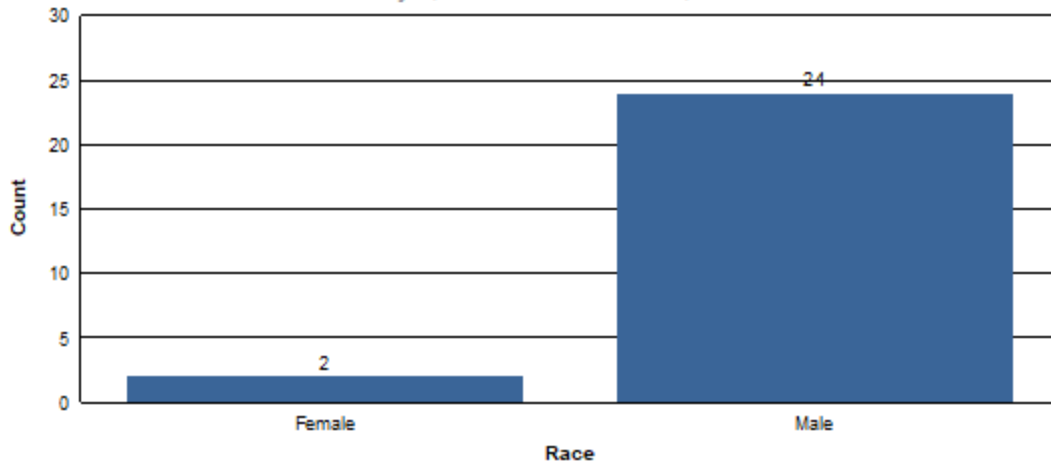


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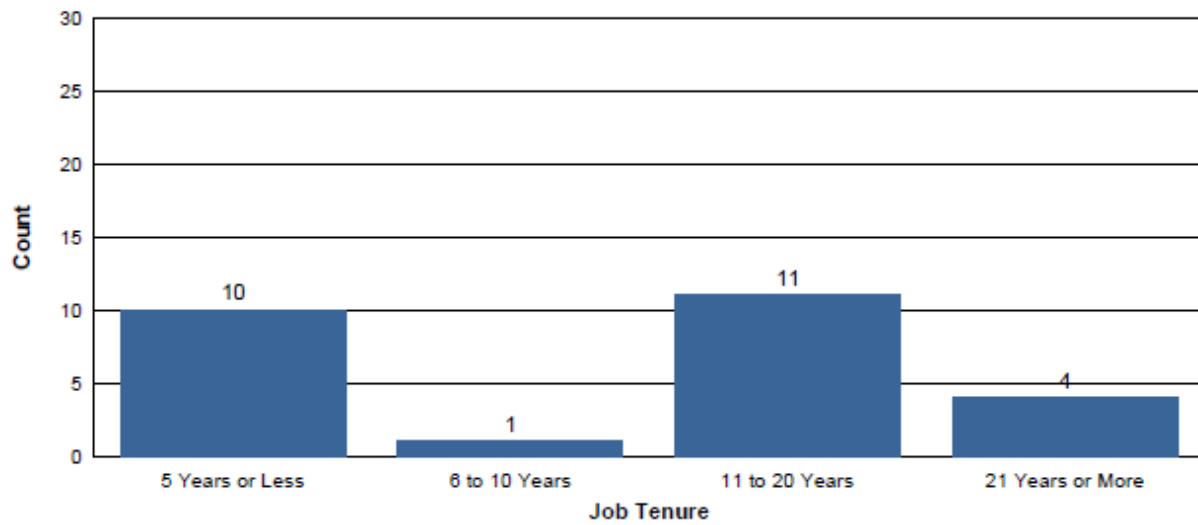
## Gender of OIS Officers

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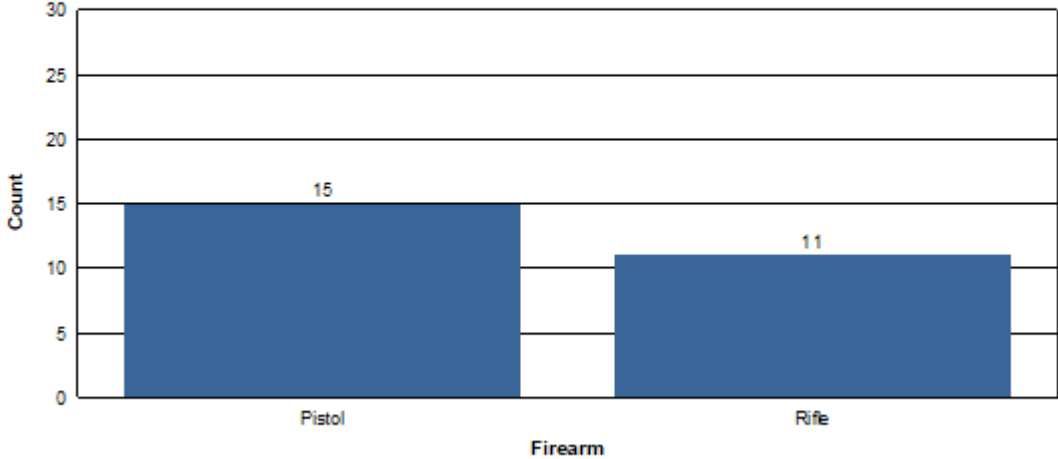
## Job Tenure of OIS Officers

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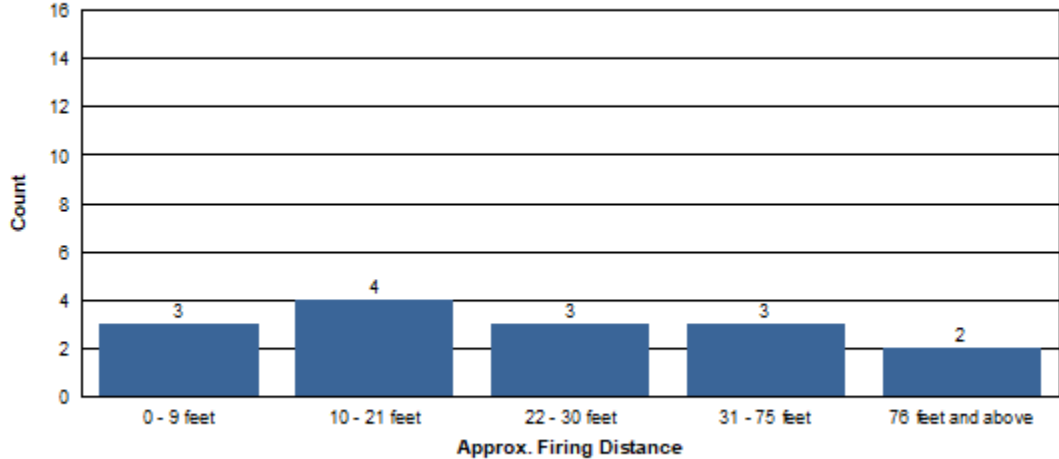
### Type of Firearms Used by Officers During OIS Incidents

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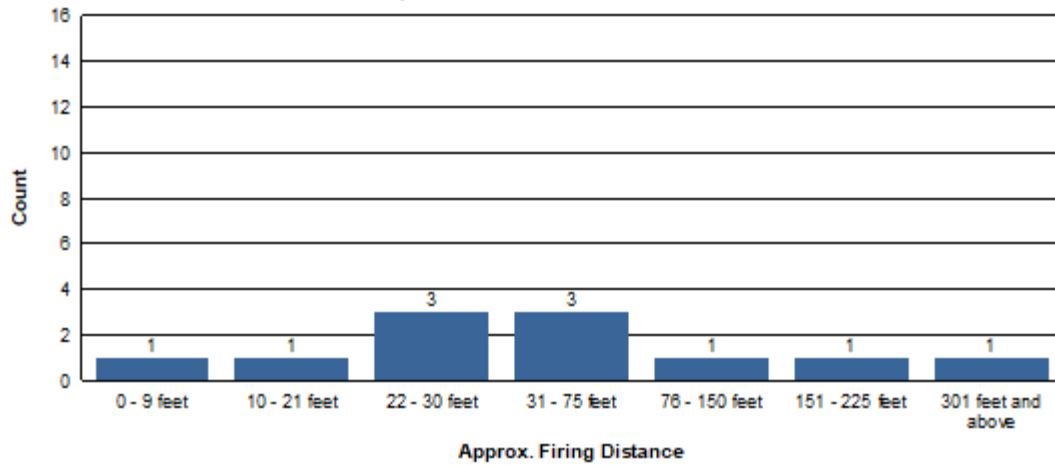
### Initial Handgun Firing Distance of OIS Officers to Subject

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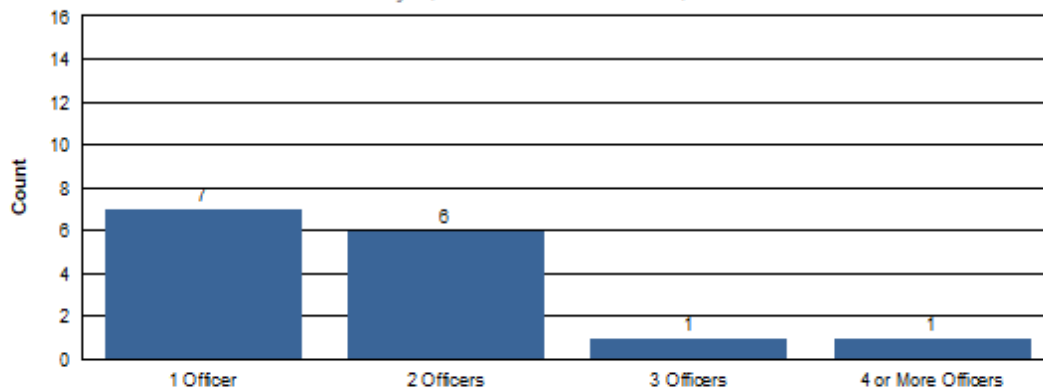
## Initial Rifle Firing Distance of OIS Officers to Subject

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## Number of OIS Incidents Grouped by Total Officers Who Fired Their Weapon

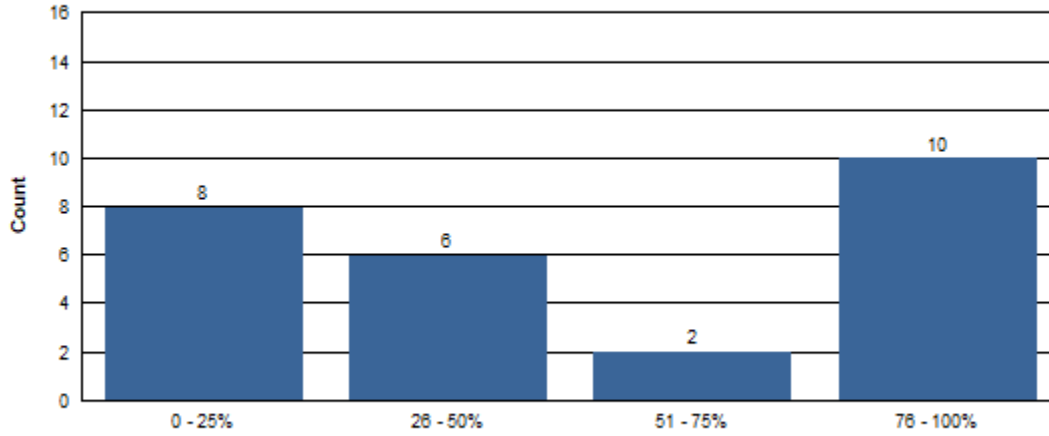
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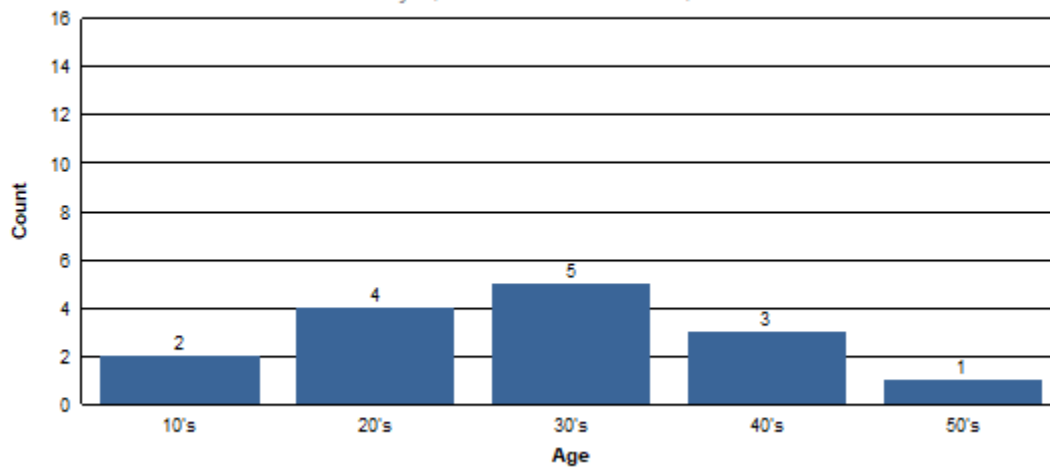
## Firing Accuracy Percentage by OIS Officers

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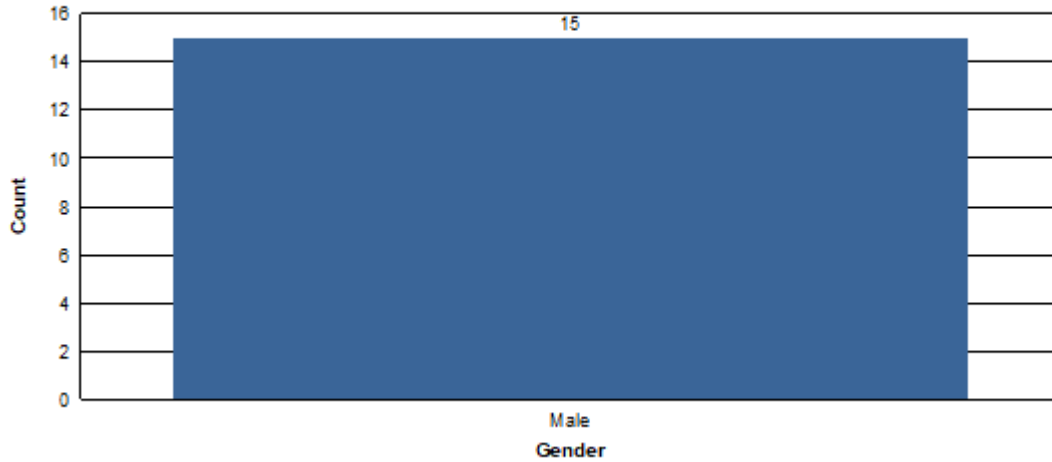
## Age of OIS Subjects

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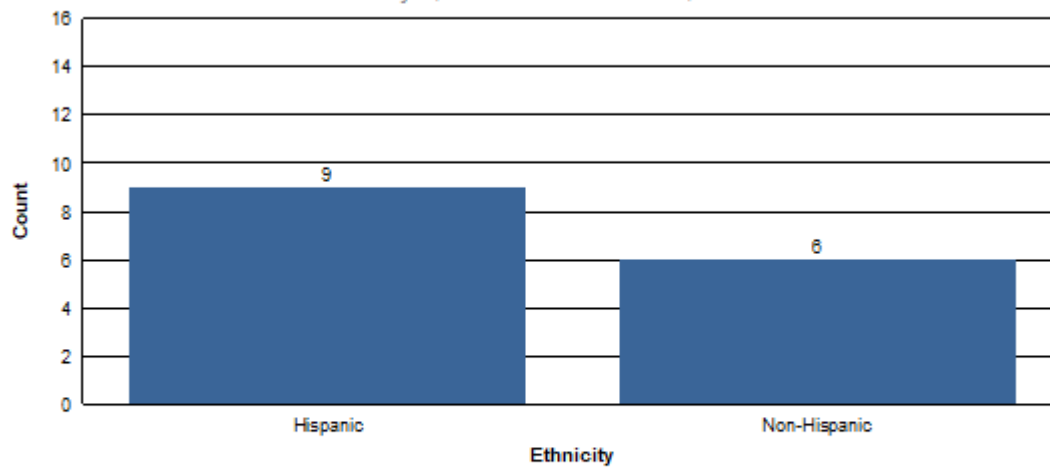
## Gender of OIS Subjects

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## Ethnicity of OIS Subjects

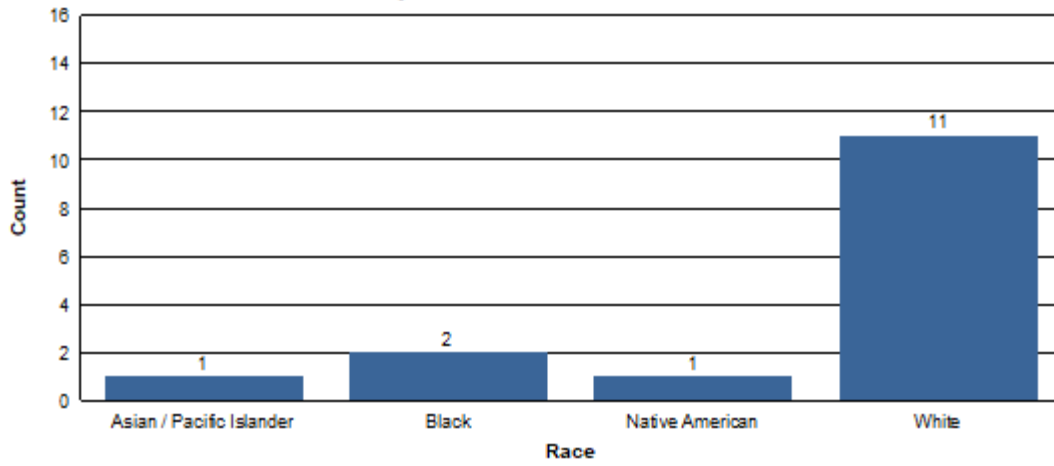
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## Race of OIS Subjects

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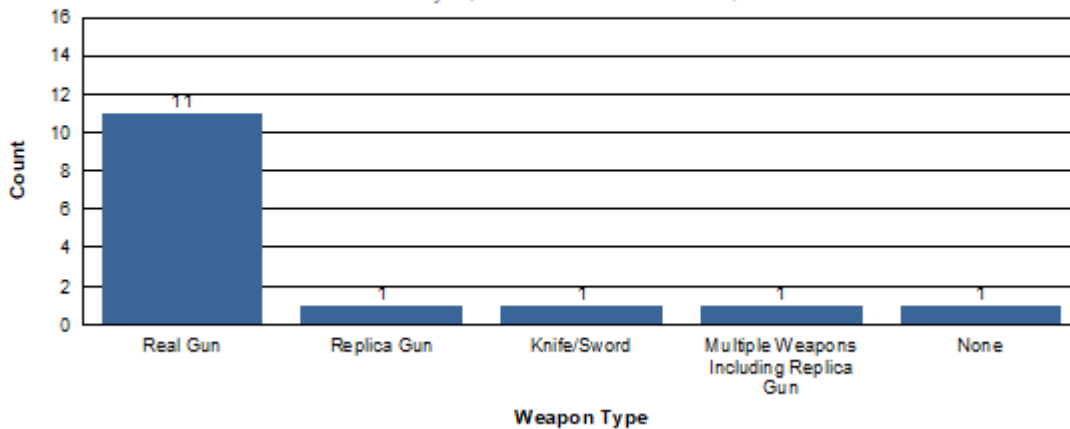


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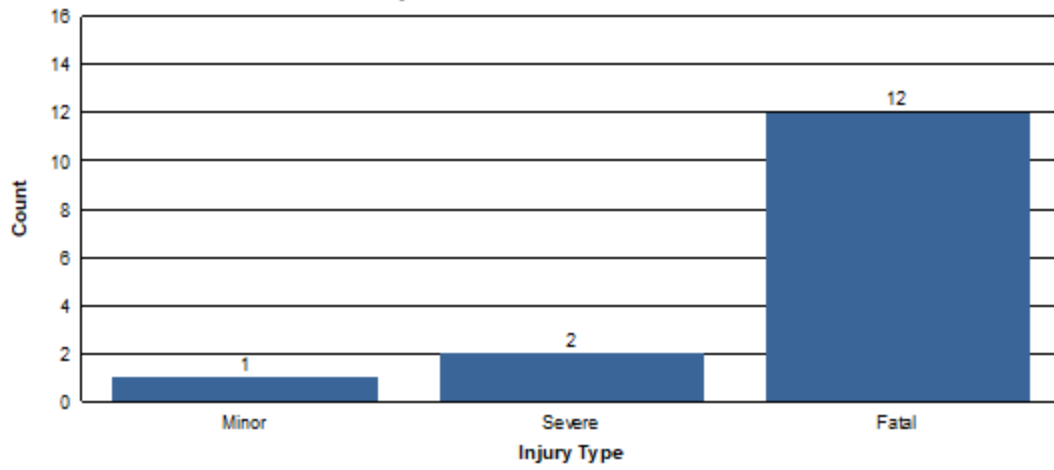
## Type of Weapon Used by Subject During Officer-Involved Shooting

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## Subject Injuries Resulting from OIS

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019



# Officer-Involved Shooting Overviews

## 1. January 11, 2019-9200 West Camelback Road

- **Number of officers involved: 2**
- **Weapon used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries sustained by Subject: Fatal**

Phoenix Police Robbery Detectives developed information about several individuals, who were believed to be responsible for a number of armed robberies throughout the valley. On Thursday, January 10, 2019, surveillance officers located a suspect vehicle with four occupants and began to follow it. Shortly after midnight on January 11, 2019, the suspects committed an armed robbery of a fast food restaurant in the area of 1400 N. Dysart Road in Avondale. The suspects fled the scene in their vehicle before a tactical apprehension could be conducted. Special Assignments Unit Officers responded to assist and were able to stop the vehicle in the area of 9200 W. Camelback Road. An adult male suspect got out of the vehicle, armed with a handgun. He did not obey commands and pointed his gun in the direction of officers as he started to move towards an occupied convenience store. SAU Officers David Norman #6696 and Kristopher Bertz #9019 fired at the suspect, ending the threat. The suspect was taken into custody with the assistance of a K9. He was transported to a hospital, where he died from his injuries. The other three suspects were taken into custody at their vehicle. No officers were injured.

## 2. January 30, 2019-700 East Northern Avenue

- **Number of officers involved: 3**
- **Weapon used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by the Subject: Fatal**

On Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at approximately 0943 hours, officers from the FAID and Street Crimes Detail were searching for a home invasion suspect in the area of 7300 North 7th Place. Officers observed the suspect exit a residence and walk northbound on North 7th Street, Officers followed the suspect to the area of 8100 North 7th Street and Officer William Behm #5784 advised over the radio that the suspect pointed a handgun at him. Officer Chris Parese #7238 observed the suspect walking southbound on North 7th Street and the suspect pointed the handgun at Officer Parese, so Officer Parese fired his rifle at the suspect. Sergeants Chris Aboussafey #6079 and Andrew Austin #8266 arrived at that time and observed the suspect pointing a handgun in the direction of Officer Parese and citizens at a nearby bus stop. Both Sergeants fired their rifles at the suspect, striking him and ending the threat. A canine officer was used to extract the suspect away from his handgun. The suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene. There were no injuries to the officers.

### 3. March 9, 2019-4200 East Wilshire Drive

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by the Subject: Fatal**

On Saturday, March 9, 2019, at approximately 1902 hours, officers responded to an emergency call of a domestic violence at 3200 East McDowell Road. Officers contacted the victim who told officers she was involved in a physical altercation with the suspect, who left the victim at this location and then left in her vehicle. During this time, an emergency call was dispatched for a traffic collision with injuries at 4000 East Lewis Avenue. Officers located the collision scene and found that the victim's vehicle was involved, but the driver left the scene. At approximately 1906 hours, officers were enroute to 4200 East Wilshire Drive to conduct follow up reference the collision when an unknown trouble call was broadcast at that location. Officer Steve Hawes #10278 arrived on scene and contacted a witness, who told Officer Hawes that the suspect had a gun and was lying down in the driveway. Officer Hawes contacted the suspect in the driveway and gave him verbal commands to drop the gun. The suspect pointed the gun at Officer Hawes. Officer Hawes fired his service weapon at the suspect, striking him and ending the threat. The suspect was transported to the hospital where he was pronounced deceased. A gun was located at the scene where the suspect was lying down. There were no injuries to officers.

### 4. March 13, 2019-1900 West Monroe Street

- **Number of officers Involved: 2**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: None**
- **Injuries Sustained by the Subject: Fatal**

On March 13, 2019, at approximately 1000 hours, Phoenix Police tactical officers were looking for a violent suspect wanted in connection with a crime spree that occurred the night before. Officers located the vehicle the suspect had stolen, in the area of 15th Avenue and Polk Street. An information source told officers the suspect frequented a motel in the area of 2000 W. Van Buren Street. While searching for the suspect, a person matching the suspect's description ran from Van Buren Street into the motel. Officers made contact at the door of one of the rooms with a female, at which time a male subject jumped out of the rear motel window and ran away. The subject ran through several yards, jumping over fences. He came to an automobile business in the area of 1900 W. Monroe Street and took a vehicle. He drove on to West Monroe Street and then pulled back partially into the drive of the business and stopped. Tactical officers moved towards the stopped vehicle, and gave commands, but he didn't comply. Less lethal ARWEN rounds, as well gas, were fired at the vehicle and subject. As the subject got out of the vehicle, still not complying, K9 Officer Andrew Carlsson #7937 and SAU Officer Kyle Fricke #6195 fired at the subject and he went down. With the assistance of a K9, the subject was taken into custody. He was transported to a local hospital where he died from his injuries. It was determined that this was not the suspect originally being sought in connection with the crimes committed the night before. No

weapons were located at the scene. It was later learned the subject had outstanding warrants for his arrest.

#### **5. March 28, 2019-4700 West Hazelwood Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by the Subject: Fatal**

On Thursday, March 28, 2019, at around 0050 hours, patrol officers were in the area of North 47th Avenue and West Highland Avenue looking for suspects in a theft from a convenience store nearby. A pickup truck was observed driving at a high rate of speed through the neighborhood without any lights on. A traffic stop was attempted, but the truck fled. Officers later located the truck unoccupied in the alley west of 4600 North 48th Avenue. A witness reported seeing as many as four occupants flee in two different directions. Officer Ryan Merrill #8217 located an adult male on foot, later identified as 43 year old Eugene Horn, near 4700 West Hazelwood Street. Officer Merrill exited his patrol car and Horn pointed the gun at him and racked the slide. Officer Merrill fired his service weapon striking the suspect and ending the threat. Horn was taken into custody with the assistance of a K-9 and the suspect's handgun was recovered. Horn was transported to the hospital where he was pronounced deceased. There were no injuries to officers. A second suspect, 34 year old Calvin Mejia, was also located in the area. The investigation is ongoing.

#### **6. April 29, 2019-3500 East Roosevelt Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by the Subject: Replica Rifle**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On Monday, April 29, 2019, at around 0940 Hours, Phoenix Police officers responded to 1211 North 33rd Street on a call of a violation of an order of protection. The subject of the order, 26 year old Alejandro Hernandez, was at his parents' home in violation of the order. Hernandez was no longer at the home when officers arrived. At around 10:30 a.m., while circulating the neighborhood, members of the 72B squad located Hernandez walking along the north bank of the canal in the area of North 35th Street and East Roosevelt Street. He had a sheet wrapped around what appeared to be a weapon in his hands. Hernandez refused commands to comply with officers and dropped the sheet revealing a firearm. He repeatedly pointed it at officers during the interaction and at one point attempted to enter a piece of construction equipment. Once again, Hernandez pointed the weapon at police and Officer Trevin Janser #8883 fired his service rifle, striking him and ending the threat. A police K-9 assisted with contacting and taking Hernandez into custody. There were no injuries to officers. Hernandez was transported to the hospital where he was pronounced deceased. A replica rifle was recovered at the scene.

## **7. May 9, 2019-700 West Pima Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 2**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On Thursday, May 9, 2019, at around 0350 Hours, Phoenix Police officers responded to 713 West Pima Street on a call of a trespassing. The caller described a gray Lincoln Town Car with a male and female seated inside, and expressed concerns over recent attempted break-ins and drug activity in the area. Officers Nick Calandra #9753 and Chad Canedy #10190 arrived separately and approached the vehicle. Officer Calandra contacted the driver, 29 year old Hector Lopez, who opened the door and a handgun fell to the ground. Lopez was ordered not to touch the weapon, but he suddenly dove toward the gun and grabbed it. Officer Calandra struggled to maintain control of Lopez who was refusing to release the gun. Officer Canedy moved to assist Calandra on the driver's side of the vehicle and delivered closed fist strikes to the suspect, as well as a Taser. Lopez turned and pointed the gun at Officer Calandra. Both officers then fired their service weapons striking the suspect and ending the threat. The female passenger, 28 year old Marrsela Aion who is the driver's sister, was taken into custody. Officers implemented life saving measures on the suspect until Phoenix Fire personnel arrived and transported him to the hospital. The suspect was later pronounced deceased. A handgun was recovered at the scene. The female is to be booked into jail on an unrelated felony warrant. Officer Canedy was treated and released for injuries to his hand, and both officers sustained abrasions during the struggle.

## **8. May 19, 2019-1600 East Portland Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 2**
- **Weapon Used by the Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by the Subject: Fatal**

On Sunday, May 19, 2019, at around 0310 Hours, a Phoenix Police sergeant in the area of 1600 East Portland observed four males walking with beer. One subject threw a beer bottle at a passing vehicle. The driver of the passing vehicle stopped and advised police that one of the subjects was armed with a handgun. When officers attempted to contact the subjects, the group split up and ran in different directions. Officers encountered three of the subjects on Portland Street at about 1500 East as they exited the yard of a residence where they were hiding. One of the subjects, an unidentified male, fired shots at police. Officer Risa Magnuson #10265 fired her service weapon at that suspect as he fled to the north side of the apartments located at 1110 N 16th Street, which is adjacent to the I-10 exit ramp at North 16th Street. Lieutenant Greg Westover #7536 arrived at the apartments from the west and observed the suspect running toward 16th Street. That suspect fired additional shots over his shoulder at police. Lieutenant Westover returned fire. Sometime during these exchanges, the suspect was struck by gunfire. The suspect made it out to 16th Street at the I-10 exit



ramp where he tried opening the doors of a waiting vehicle. The suspect collapsed in the road and was then struck by a dark SUV that was exiting the freeway. The vehicle did not remain at the scene and left northbound. A firearm was located in the suspect's possession. Life saving measures were attempted by officers, but this suspect was later pronounced deceased at the scene. There were no injuries to officers. Police located a second suspect, a 13 year old male, on the northeast corner of the apartments where he was taken into custody with the assistance of a Taser and police K-9. This suspect was transported to the hospital for non life-threatening injuries. He was later released and transported to 620 West Washington Street for interview. Two remaining suspects, 15 and 16 years old, were located and arrested near 16th Street and Portland Street, and were also transported for interview. A second firearm was located on scene. This investigation is ongoing.

#### **9. May 26, 2019-3600 West Camelback Road**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Severe**

On May 26, 2019, at approximately 0118 hours, a Phoenix Police Officer on patrol in the area of 35th Avenue and Camelback Road, observed a suspicious vehicle with no license plate drive into a convenience store parking lot. Before backup officers arrived, the car started to leave the lot, but pulled into a parking spot. A woman got out of the car and she and a man walked away westbound on the south side of Camelback Road. A two-man unit responded and located the two people in the area of 3600 W. Camelback Road. When the officers stopped to contact them, the suspect ran eastbound and Officer Trevor McGuire #9856 ran after him while his partner detained the woman. As Officer McGuire, chased the suspect, he saw he was armed with a handgun and was pointing it back at the officer. Officer McGuire gave commands for the suspect to drop the gun, but he did not comply and told the officer to shoot him. As the suspect ran around the corner of a building in a business complex, Officer McGuire noticed a large group of people in the parking lot. Concerned for his safety, and the safety of the bystanders in the parking lot, because of suspect's actions and statements, Officer McGuire fired at the suspect, ending the threat. The handgun was recovered at the scene. Officers on scene administered first aid to the suspect, who was transported to the hospital in critical condition. It was later learned he has an outstanding felony arrest warrant for violating probation and he is a prohibited possessor.

#### **10. August 27, 2019-3500 East Palm Lane**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Rifle**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: None**

On Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at approximately 1830 hours, Phoenix Police officers responded to a shots fired call in the area of 3500 East Palm Lane. Officers contacted the complainant at a nearby residence where they were informed an individual located in the backyard of a residence on East Palm Lane was shooting into the air. Responding Officers Jose Jarvis # 9507 and Ronald Sandoval #8761 approached the front entrance of the suspect home on Palm Lane along with Officers Stacy Bain #9775 and Joseph McGehee #10315. When they approached the front door of the residence officers heard loud music coming from the suspect's home. When officers knocked on the door, the suspect opened the interior door. Officer Jarvis noticed the suspect through a metal security screen door holding an AR-15 style rifle. Officer Jarvis immediately gave commands to the suspect who then raised the rifle in the direction of Officers Jarvis and McGehee. Officer Jarvis fired his weapon through the metal screen door to end the threat. The suspect was not struck; however he dropped the weapon and began to comply with officers' commands. He exited the home and was taken into custody. The suspect sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was transported to the hospital for treatment before being booked into jail. No officers were injured during this incident. A lethal rifle was recovered at the scene.

#### **11. August 30, 2019-9100 West Van Buren Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On Friday, August 30, 2019 at approximately 8:00 a.m., Phoenix Police Detectives from the Fugitive Apprehension Investigations Detail were conducting follow up on an ongoing homicide investigation in the area of 3900 West Buckeye Road. During that time, the suspect was seen leaving the area in a vehicle. Detectives began to follow the vehicle and attempted to conduct a high-risk traffic stop at about 4300 West Buckeye Road. The suspect refused to stop and left at a high rate of speed. Detectives discontinued following and the Air Support Unit maintained surveillance. The suspect stopped in the area of 8700 West Polk Street where detectives attempted to contain the vehicle. While doing so the suspect rammed Sergeant Christopher Aboussafy's #6079 vehicle. The suspect continued to flee and drove to the area of 9100 West Van Buren Street where his vehicle became disabled from the previous collision. The suspect exited his vehicle armed with a handgun and attempted to rob an adult male driver of his vehicle. Officer Kristoffer Marrero #7136 used his vehicle to prevent the suspect from gaining access to the victim which caused the suspect to fall to the ground with a handgun in his hand. Officer Justin Wechsler #7646 approached the suspect on foot at which point the suspect raised the gun and fired at Officer Wechsler. Officer Wechsler discharged his rifle and ended the threat. The suspect was transported

to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased. There were no injuries to officers or the civilian victim. The suspect's firearm was recovered at the scene.

#### **12. September 9, 2019-4300 West Dailey Street**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 2**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Replica Firearm/Knife**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On Monday, September 9, 2019, at around 4:30 p.m., Phoenix Police Officers Ridel Daudinot #10356 and Joshua Freer #10380 responded separately to a call of domestic violence at a residence near 4300 West Dailey Street. The adult female victim was attacked with a knife by her adult son, later identified as 47 year old Hector Miranda. She suffered a laceration to her head and was able to escape to the caller's house whose husband drove her to the hospital prior to officers arriving on scene. Officer Daudinot arrived first and spoke to the caller who reported that the suspect stabbed his mother and was armed. During the interview the suspect came into view on the street armed with a knife and a handgun. Officer Freer arrived southbound on North 43rd Drive and encountered the suspect where the road turns west onto Dailey Street. The suspect made statements that he intended to force officers into shooting him. Miranda ignored officers' commands to comply and advanced on Officer Freer while pointing the handgun at him. Officer Freer fired his service weapon striking Miranda. Miranda fell into a seated position and pointed the handgun at Officer Daudinot who then fired his service weapon. Officer Freer saw Miranda point the handgun to the west in the direction of Officer Daudinot and the caller. Officer Freer then fired again at the suspect, at which time the suspect dropped the weapons. Additional officers arrived to assist with the arrest and less-lethal rounds were used to encourage Miranda to move away from the weapons. Miranda was taken into custody and transported to the hospital where he was pronounced deceased. There were no injuries to officers. The victim was treated for a laceration to the head and released later that evening. A large knife and replica handgun were recovered.

#### **13. November 3, 2019-2837 East Atlanta Avenue**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 3**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On November 2, 2019 at approximately 1949 hours, Phoenix police officers responded to a residence in the area of 2800 East Atlanta Avenue reference an unknown trouble. The comments on the call reported a family fight and an armed suspect. Officers arrived at the residence and officers were advised from the residents that they were fine and refused to open the door. There were no additional calls and no signs of an emergency at the residence. At approximately 2330 hours, Phoenix police officers responded to a second call to the same residence near 2800 East Atlanta Avenue. The comments on this call indicated similar concerns. The suspect was now threatening to shoot the family members and refusing to allow them to leave. It was also reported that the suspect had physically assaulted the 69-year-old female victim and she was in need of medical

attention. Officers arrived and approached the residence when they heard shots being fired inside the house. Concerned with the safety of the family members, Officers tactically approached the home and they were met with gunfire in their direction. Officers retreated and attempted a different approach to the residence, but once again they were met by gunfire. Officers from the Special Assignment Unit responded to assist. Negotiations with the suspect began and continued for several hours. After repeated requests to have the suspect release the victims, the suspect refused and was observed shooting his gun. Officers Michael Fortune #8778, William Underwood #5062, William Steele #9287 and Anthony Volpe #9899 fired their weapons. During the exchange of gunfire, Officer Chad Estle #9604 was struck and Officer Kris Bertz #9019 was bit by a police canine. Three civilian victims were removed from the residence, two had sustained gunshot wounds and the third was uninjured. The suspect was also shot and was pronounced deceased on scene.

#### **14. November 11, 2019-4311 West Camelback Road**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 1**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Knife**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Severe**

On November 11, 2019 at approximately 1930 hours, Phoenix police officers responded to a business in the area of 4300 West Camelback Road reference an attempted armed robbery. The victim advised the suspect was armed with a knife and had attempted to take his property. The suspect was described as a male wearing a blue shirt. Officers Brittany Smith-Petersen #10529 and Anne Batway #9656 arrived on scene and observed a male walking around the parking lot holding a knife. Officers Smith-Petersen and Batway began to give the suspect verbal commands to drop the knife. The suspect refused to drop the knife and moved toward Officer Smith-Petersen, she fired at the suspect stopping the threat. The suspect was transported to a local hospital and he is expected to survive. There were no injuries to officers or victims.

#### **15. December 23, 2019-7611 West Thomas Road**

- **Number of Officers Involved: 2**
- **Weapon Used by Subject: Handgun**
- **Injuries Sustained by Subject: Fatal**

On December 23, 2019 at approximately 11:00 a.m., Phoenix police officers responded to a business in the area of 7611 West Thomas Road reference shots fired. Callers reported the suspect had attempted to take the victim's vehicle at gun point. The victim, a 53 year old female, was able to drive away from the suspect. As she fled in her vehicle the suspect shot her. The suspect continued to walk around the parking lot of the business and located the second victim, a 44 year old female, who was sitting inside her vehicle. The suspect got into her vehicle and pointed a gun at her. She was able to open her door and ran from her vehicle. The suspect shot at the second victim. While shooting at the second victim, a 56 year old male was struck by the suspect's gun fire.

The suspect drove away in the second victim's vehicle. Responding officers were given the description of the suspect and the victim's vehicle. Officers arrived on scene and located the vehicle driving through the parking lot at a high rate of speed. Officers activated their lights and siren in an attempt to stop the vehicle. The suspect did not yield and a pursuit was initiated. The suspect traveled around the area of the mall and as he approached the entrance of the mall Officer Tomas Apodaca #7714, used his patrol vehicle and collided into the suspect to prevent him from driving any further. The suspect's vehicle was not disabled and it continued driving around the parking lot. Officers Nicholas Chacon #9159 and Kevin Treftz #10092, riding in a two-officer vehicle, continued to pursue the suspect. The suspect abruptly stopped in the parking lot south of the mall and exited the truck. The suspect was armed with a gun and pointed it at Officers Chacon and Treftz. Both officers shot at the suspect, striking him. Officers approached the suspect and began life saving measures as they waited for fire personnel. Upon arrival, fire personnel rendered aid and pronounced the suspect deceased on scene. There were no injuries to officers and the two injured victims are expected to survive.