

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office

Requested data for the SWWCOG



ABSTRACT

This document contains data and a short explanation of the data that was requested by the South Western Washtenaw Council Of Governments (SWWCOG) at their last meeting (June 8, 2011). This document does not include all of the important factors associated with making a decision concerning police services and should be utilized as one tool in a much larger discussion. The Sheriff understands the difficult issues that a community faces when making a decision about police services. The data here is intended to support this decision making process, but is not intended to answer all relevant questions. As Sheriff, we will continue to support this deliberation in whatever way is requested. The Sheriff's Office recognizes and embraces our role to ensure that the public safety needs of all areas of Washtenaw County are met. To that end, we are committed to providing direct police enforcement services to those communities that request our assistance and to providing support to those communities that do not require direct enforcement services from the WCSO.

Arrival Time Averages by Call For Service

The data below shows response time averages from January 2010-June 2011.

It includes ALL calls for service, those that are emergent and those that are no.

Those jurisdictions listed above the black line are non contract areas and those below the black line are contract areas.

This spreadsheet shows three important measurements when analyzing response times.

1. It shows the average time (in minutes) that it takes for each non contract and contract jurisdiction to have a call created. This is the amount of time it takes for a Dispatcher to take the call and dispatch an officer. Keep in mind that dispatchers can only dispatch an officer when an officer is available.
2. It also shows how long it takes from the time it is dispatched to the time an officer arrives on scene. Or put another way, from the time we tell the officer where they are needed to the time they arrive.
3. Finally, it shows the total average time that it takes from the 911 call coming in to an officer arriving on scene.

For example, in Augusta Township between January 2010 and June 2011 (on average) it took 17.1 minutes to dispatch an officer, 178.2 minutes from the time it was dispatched to the time the officer arrived on scene for a total of 35.3 minutes.

There are several points to consider when looking at this data;

- The average time for a call to be dispatched to a non contract area is 17 minutes
- The average time for a call to be dispatched to a contract area is 9 minutes
- The average time for an officer to arrive on scene in a non contract area once dispatched is 24 minutes.
- The average time for an officer to arrive on scene in a contract area once dispatched is 13 minutes.
- The average total time from 911 call to officer arrival in a non contract area is 41 minutes.
- The average total time from 911 call to officer arrival in a contract area is 23 minutes.
- By the time a non contract area has a call dispatched and an officer on the scene (41 minutes total) a contract area has had their officer already on scene for 13 minutes.

**WCSO & MSP Arrival Times--Average per all Calls for Service
January 2010 through June 2011**

	Create to Dispatch	Dispatch to Unit Arrival	Total
Augusta Township	17.085	18.237	35.322
Freedom Township	14.115	23.067	37.182
Lima Township	15.801	18.468	34.269
Lyndon Township	14.353	24.645	38.998
Manchester Township	21.379	32.989	54.368
Saline Township	15.648	21.06	36.708
Sharon Township	18.508	30.934	49.442
Sylvan Township	23.115	22.395	45.51
Bridgewater Township	6.602	15.232	21.834
Dexter Township	9.749	18.609	28.358
Dexter Village	8.459	7.028	15.487
Lodi Township	8.725	14.3	23.025
Manchester Village	7.896	13.357	21.253
Scio Township	16.01	9.009	25.019
Webster Township	10.338	14.099	24.437

Arrival Time by Call For Service

The data below shows response times by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and Michigan State Police for various calls between January and June of 2011. MSP is included in our response times since Metro Dispatch provides dispatching services for MSP and the data in our system is combined.

In the spreadsheet you will see that all non contract jurisdictions are listed to the left of the solid black line and all contract jurisdictions are listed to the right.

Data is listed as minutes. For example in Augusta Township for a Domestic Violence call it would take on average 23.3 minutes for an officer to arrive on scene.

There are several points to consider when looking at this data.

- It takes, on average 15 minutes longer in a non-contract area to get to a Domestic Violence call than in a contract area.
- It takes, on average three times as long on average to get to a Disorderly Person complaint in a non-contract area.
- It takes, on average 7 minutes longer to get to a Personal Injury Crash in a non-contract area.
- On average, it takes almost twice as long to get to a 911 hang up call in a non-contract area
- And over twice as long to get to a Burglary Alarm in a non-contract area.

**WCSO & MSP Arrival Time by Call for Service
January through June 2011**

	Augusta Township	Freedom Township	Lima Township	Lyndon Township	Manchester Township	Saline Township	Sharon Township	Sylvan Township		Bridgewater Township	Dexter Township	Dexter Village	Lodi Township	Manchester Township	Scio Township	Webster Township
Domestic Violence	23.3	34.9	27.7	34.4	32.1	24	75.1	24.7		18.9	30.3	12.5	16.2	21.9	20.8	16
Disorderly Conduct	22.1	22.6	37.4	36.9	64.7	53.8	242	NA		18.6	18.7	10.9	19.8	11.9	14.9	24.9
Crash--Personal Injury	16.7	10.4	17.4	37.3	25	20.1	30.4	21		18.2	17.5	6.44	14.4	17.3	11.9	20.8
Suspicious Persons	28.4	34.2	37.1	46.9	40	29.6	29.3	24.9		26.4	19.8	12.8	22.6	21.9	20	23.3
911 Hang-up	30.3	49.6	31.4	49.7	35.8	28.9	35.5	45.5		29	17.8	20	14.7	15	17.1	29.3
Burglary Alarm	31.3	26.7	30.1	45.4	42.8	43.4	31.5	32.8		12	15.7	14	16.1	18	15.1	17.7

Arrival Time Averages for Priority Runs

The data below shows response time averages for those calls categorized as “priority zero” from January 2010-June 2011.

For example, a “priority zero run” could be an assault in progress but could also be an assault that occurred last week. The data below includes both in progress and not in progress runs. Priority zero, in essence are those calls that are our most emergent or represent a specific crime class regardless of whether or not it is in progress.

One consideration is that the non contract areas average response time for priority zero runs is 29.5 minutes while the contract area response time is 16 minutes.

This data does not represent solely our most emergent in progress calls.

**WCSO & MSP Arrival Times--Average per all Calls for Service Priority 0 (ZERO)
January 2010 through June 2011**

	Create to Dispatch	Dispatch to Unit Arrival	Total
Augusta Township	11.6	15.7	27.3
Freedom Township	4.6	19.7	24.3
Lima Township	9.5	19.3	28.8
Lyndon Township	9.9	18.6	28.5
Manchester Township	6.5	23.8	30.3
Saline Township	3.5	28.2	31.7
Sharon Township	15.3	19.5	34.8
Sylvan Township	8.3	22.2	30.5
 			
Bridgewater Township	2.4	13.9	16.3
Dexter Township	4.4	16.5	20.9
Dexter Village	5.2	8.6	13.8
Lodi Township	5.4	13.1	18.5
Manchester Village	5.9	11.9	17.8
Scio Township	3.3	8	11.3
Webster Township	5.2	11.3	16.5

Non-Contract Areas—Sheriff's Office Traffic Enforcement

The spreadsheet on the following page describes the number of traffic stops made by WCSO deputies in non-contract areas. It is important to remember that this data only covers Washtenaw County Sheriff's Deputies and not other agency stops that may have taken place within a non-contract area.

The 2011 data contained within this spreadsheet is through the month of June. The 2009 and 2010 data is for the entire calendar year.

One important finding and possible comparison between contract and non-contract services around traffic stops is to look at Augusta Township in 2009. At that time Augusta Township was contracting for a deputy and the number of traffic stops made was considerably more than the same area in 2010. In fact, there was a 75% decrease in the number of stops from 2009 (492 stops) to 2010 (121 stops). As a jurisdictional comparison, Augusta Township has a population of around 4,800.

This data also shows stops in areas that currently have their own police agencies. As the Sheriff's Office we have the authority to police countywide and although it is not common practice to police an area that has their own agency there are times when it is necessary.

Additionally, we have included similar data (the second spreadsheet) for those areas that currently contract with the Sheriff's Office.

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office
Non-Contract Areas--Sheriff's Office Traffic Enforcement

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Stops	Citations	Stops	Citations	Stops	Citations
Ann Arbor City	96	53	180	149	204	184
Augusta Township	64	59	121	98	492**	311**
Chelsea City	55	40	63	41	10	8
Freedom Township	18	14	51	35	25	21
Lima Township	45	43	102	74	100	49
Lyndon Township	68	45	49	33	76	55
Manchester Township	54	50	24	19	36	22
Milan City	9	5	65	70	3	3
Northfield Township	8	6	25	17	22	21
Pittsfield Township	77	69	294	250	152	115
Saline City	37	30	92	57	26	20
Saline Township	109	86	195	144	198	155
Sharon Township	15	14	35	15	19	11
Sylvan Township	47	25	24	12	12	11
Ypsilanti City	33	22	60	37	337	348

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office
Contract Areas--Sheriff's Office Traffic Enforcement

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Stops	Citations	Stops	Citations	Stops	Citations
Manchester Village	408	48	698	253	848	449
Bridgewater Twp.	141	49	209	120	302	186
Lodi Township	414	192	916	386	988	628
Scio Township	1729	927	2234	1096	1435	1144
Dexter Village	635	466	786	388	736	350
Webster Township	128	65	187	124	341	151
Dexter Township	381	226	510	289	285	165
York Township	269	142	1085	608	660	393

*Through June 2011

**Augusta Township contracted for one deputy in 2009

Contract Deputies responding into Non-Contract Areas

This data shows (by contract area) how much time those contract deputies are spending in the various non-contract areas around them.

Although this particular spreadsheet does not show response times, one consideration from this data is if these contract deputies were not being contracted for who would have responded in their place and how long the response might have taken.

This data is only for contract deputies and does not represent every call that came from the non-contract areas that our office or another agency may have responded to and does not include response from one of the 12 countywide deputies.

The 2011 data contained within the spreadsheet is through the month of June. The 2009 and 2010 data is for the entire calendar year.

As an example, the first spreadsheet shows how many incidents and how much time deputies from the Dexter Village, Dexter Township and Webster Township collaboration contract spent in the various non-contract areas. The first line shows that so far in 2011 a contract deputy from the Dexter, Dexter & Webster collaboration has made 3 trips for a total of 2 hours and 50 minutes. For 2010 the same contract deputies made 11 trips for a total of 7 hours and 30 minutes and in 2009 they made 3 trips for a total of 2 hours and 5 minutes.

This data does not describe the type of incident the deputies were responding to and how emergent that call may have been.

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office
Contract Deputies responding into Non-Contract Areas

Dexter Village-Dexter Township-Webster Township Collaboration Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Lyndon Township	3	2h 50m	11	7h 30m	3	2h 5m
Sylvan Township	2	1h 20m	0	0	0	0
Sharon Township	0	0	3	5h 15m	0	0
Manchester Township	1	50m	0	0	0	0
Lima Township	10	4h 55m	4	5h 8m	11	11h 30m
Freedom Township	0	0	2	2h 0m	0	0
Saline Township	0	0	2	20m	0	0
Augusta Township	0	0	2	50m	0	0
Northfield Township	3	2h 0m	5	4h 0m	2	1h 0m
Pittsfield Township	0	0	0	0	1	10m
Chelsea City	1	35m	1	2h 45m	1	5m
Ann Arbor City	3	2h 15m	11	7h 45m	2	1h 15m
Ypsilanti City	1	1h 40m	0	0	0	0

Salem Township Deputy

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Northfield Twp.	6	5h 40m	6	5h 40m	3	2h 15m

Manchester Village-Bridgewater Township-Lodi Township Collaboration Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Lyndon Township	0	0	0	0	1	1h 40m
Sylvan Township	0	0	0	0	1	1h 0m
Sharon Township	4	4h 25m	8	4h 55m	5	4h 10m
Manchester Township	18	15h 55m	14	16h 40m	15	12h 40m
Lima Township	0	0	2	1h 35m	3	1h 30m
Freedom Township	13	12h 15m	18	18h 40m	9	4h 45m
Saline Township	7	3h 55m	14	11h 20m	1	15m
Augusta Township	0	0	1	1h 25m	0	0
Pittsfield Township	2	50m	2	40m	1	3h 45m
Chelsea City	1	15m	0	0	0	0
Saline City	1	10m	1	20m	1	35m
Ann Arbor City	1	50m	3	10 15m	0	0

Scio Township Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Lyndon Township	0	0	1	0h 50m	3	2h 25m
Sylvan Township	0	0	5	2h 5m	1	30m
Manchester Township	0	0	2	45m	0	0
Lima Township	10	5h 1m	6	5h 0m	5	6h 0m
Freedom Township	1	20m	1	35m	1	1hr 0m
Chelsea City	0	0	1	10m	0	0
Saline City	1	10m	0	0	0	0
Ann Arbor City	1	1h 15m	9	6h 5m	1	15m
Ypsilanti City	0	0	0	0	0	0
U of M	0	0	1	9h 30m	1	1h 50m

York Township Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Saline Township	0	0	0	0	1	1h 10m
Augusta Township	25	22h 45m	59	41h 40m	54	32h 39m
Pittsfield Township	0	0	2	1h 10m	1	30m
Saline City	2	35m	4	3h 45m	1	15m
Milan City	5	2h 18m	3	1h 5m	5	2h 20m

Superior Township-Ann Arbor Township Collaboration Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Saline Township	0	0	0	0	2	2h 0m
Augusta Township	1	0h 15m	0	0	1	0h 40m
Northfield Township	1	0h 15m	4	4h 20m	0	0
Pittsfield Township	3	1h 20m	6	1h 15m	7	3h 20m
Ann Arbor City	0	0	4	6h 0m	4	1h 20m
Ypsilanti City	8	7h 55m	7	4h 45m	14	7h 35m

Ypsilanti Township Deputies

Non-Contract Entity	2011*		2010		2009	
	Trips	Time	Trips	Time	Trips	Time
Saline Township	0	0	0	0	2	2h 50m
Augusta Township	13	8h 10m	23	19h 55m	26	27h 20m
Northfield Township	1	1h 45m	1	0h 45m	0	0
Pittsfield Township	10	7h 25m	25	11h 20m	10	5h 15m
Saline City	0	0	1	1h 10m	0	0
Milan City	0	0	0	0	1	45m
Ann Arbor City	3	3h 40m	3	3h 30m	2	1h 5m
Ypsilanti City	42	26h 50m	55	24h 20m	35	21h 20m
U of M	0	0	1	1h 0m	1	1h 15m

CLEMIS Comstat Report

This data comes from CLEMIS (Courts and Law Enforcement Information System) and is the system that the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office uses to record crime data such as calls for service, type of crime, the actual report a deputy makes, etc...

This data shows the non-contract areas and every incident that came into the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office for those areas. It also includes those runs taken by the Michigan State Police. MSP runs are classified under "Open Generic" in the report below.

As an example the Comstat report for Saline Township shows that for Assault and Battery there were 2 incidents in the previous year (2010) and one incident so far in the current year (2011). It also shows the percent change from the previous year (2010) to the current year (2011) to be a -50% decrease in that particular crime.

Washtenaw County Office Of The Sheriff

Crime on the decline in the County!

Since January of 2009 we have had one primary focus, improving the quality of life in our neighborhoods by addressing root causes of crime. See how this is beginning to have an impact. (Page 3)



“An educated community is our best partner”

Welcome to the first installment of the WCSO’s Annual Community Report. An educated community is our best partner and we provide this document in the spirit of partnership and collaboration.

The mission of the WCSO is to “Create Public Safety, Provide Quality Service, Build Strong & Sustainable Communities”. We believe that the best way to do so is through proactive, strategic partnerships with the community instead of just traditional, reactive policing. The WCSO is committed to deploying deputies that fully understand the communities they work in, are willing to have an open dialogue with neighbors, are committed to adapting strategies where appropriate because of community concerns and priorities, are focused on establishing trust with residents, and are willing to maximize opportunities to deliver police services in partnership with the community.

Through service excellence and crime prevention our goal is to improve the quality of life in the County and build strong and sustainable communities. We will also be good stewards of your tax dollars by pursuing our mission in the most efficient, strategic, cost-effective, fiscally responsible way possible. This report will highlight the progress we have made together toward achieving these goals.

Sheriff Jerry L. Clayton

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Mission: Create public safety, provide quality service,
build strong & sustainable communities

Home Invasions

Arrests are up, crime is down!

When a burglar breaks into your home they often take more than just your belongings. The lost sense of security or recurring fear can be as damaging as the smashed window or stolen property. That's why the WCSO has made the investigation and prevention of home invasions one of our core areas of focus.

Criminals that break into homes are opportunistic and habitual. Meaning, they will continue to break into homes until they are captured. **Figure 1** shows the total number of reports and arrests for Home Invasions in 2009 and 2010. It also illustrates an increase in the number of arrests for 2010 and nearly 100 fewer homes that were broken into.

What does this mean for you? It means we're headed in the right direction and that PROACTIVE patrols and community partnerships based upon sharing information work to prevent and solve crimes.

Figure 1: Home Invasion History

Year	Cases with arrest	Home Invasions
2009	55	1,038
2010	78	941



Protect Your Property

- Prune your shrubs
- Draw the blinds
- Don't advertise new purchases
- Get motion sensors for lights
- Set timers for indoor lights
- Reinforce strike plate on doors
- Shield windows near doors
- Install deadbolts
- Lock all doors and windows
- Install & always set a home alarm
- Get a dog
- Know your neighbors
- Join neighborhood watch



To schedule a Home Security Survey

Please contact Deputy Yee @
734-973-4552 or yeer@ewashtenaw.org

The WCSO offers free Home Security Surveys!

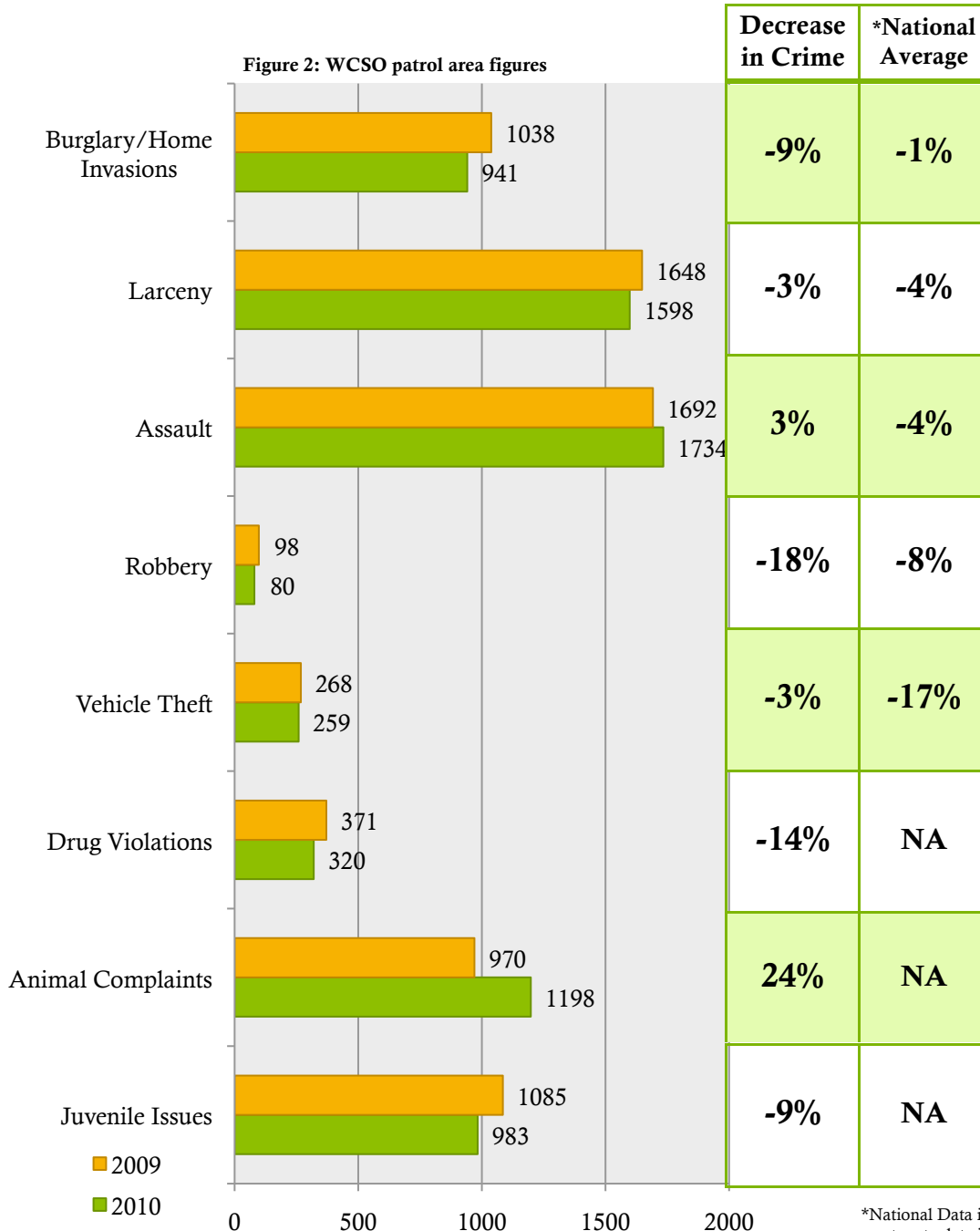
Burglars are opportunistic and look for the easiest way in and out. The more you can secure your property the less likely you are to have your home broken into.

One way to prevent home invasions is through a comprehensive home security report. Our deputies will come out, walk through your home and around your property with you in order to find those things that may leave you vulnerable to home invasions. Once done you will have a written report identifying where you are most vulnerable and be given suggestions on how to fix them.

Calls for Service

WCSO reduces Crime

Figure 2 compares the total number of calls for service in WCSO Patrol Areas between January and December of 2009 & 2010. It also shows how much crime has changed since 2009 and compares that change to the national average.



The Facts

Total dispatch center calls in 2009

- Washtenaw Co. Dispatch: 233,446
- Ann Arbor City Dispatch: 188,403
- U of M Dispatch: 81,354
- Ypsilanti Dispatch: 55,884**
- Milan City Dispatch: 20,562
- Chelsea City Dispatch: 20,402
- Saline City Dispatch: 18,678
- Pittsfield Twp. Dispatch: 13,445
- EMU Dispatch: 2,055

**In 2010 YPD will be included with the Washtenaw County figures since WCSO now dispatches for the City of Ypsilanti.

*National Data is from the FBI Uniform Crime Reports most up to date information, comparing 2008-2009. The 2010 national data was not yet available.

Value For Your Tax Dollars

Figure 4 below compares various police budgets within our area and demonstrates cost per resident based upon that budget. Those areas highlighted in blue are WCSO contract service areas.

Figure 4: Police Budget Comparison 2010

Community	Population	Police Budget	Per Capita Cost
Dexter, Dexter, Webster collaboration	16,830	\$1,347,140	\$80.04
Scio Twp.	16,261	\$1,337,500	\$82.25
Ypsilanti Twp.	53,037	\$4,865,011	\$91.73
Village of Manchester, Lodi & Bridgewater	10,388	\$1,046,472	\$100.73
Ann Arbor, Superior Twp. collaboration	18,130	\$2,074,192	\$114.41
Canton Twp.	89,727	\$15,726,681	\$175.27
Jackson City	36,316	\$8,151,781	\$224.47
Van Buren Twp.	27,377	\$6,472,456	\$236.42
Ypsilanti City	19,419	\$4,601,548	\$236.96
Ann Arbor City	109,346	\$26,383,948	\$241.29
Saline City	8,369	\$2,234,536	\$267.00
Average	36,836	\$6,749,205	\$168.23

These numbers are not to be confused with contract price and represent a comparison of each individual jurisdictions 2010 budget. This also does not include those areas that have less than 24 hr. police coverage. Pittsfield Township is not included as their budget is partially set up as joint fire and police.

WCSO Partnerships = Savings Co-located dispatch center



Ypsilanti City Dispatching Contract

Savings/Earnings	Efficiency
\$-158,000 annually	Reduction to Ypsi's general fund
+\$73,000 annually	Revenue generated by county
+\$75,228 annually	Revenue to County by Ypsi PSAP funding

In early 2010 the WCSO assumed responsibility for Ypsilanti Dispatch and this past April Ann Arbor and WCSO co-located their dispatch centers. The result? Better efficiency, faster service, & financial savings for all three jurisdictions.

WCSO/Ann Arbor Co-Location Project

Savings/Earnings	Efficiency
\$-430,000 every 8 years	Elimination of aging phone switch
\$-80,000 every 10 years	Elimination of aging logging recorder
\$-440,000 one-time	Elimination of need to install microwave link for MPSCS dispatch connectivity

What You Pay For

What goes into the cost of a Police Service Unit

A Police Service Unit is the deputy, plus the cost for training, command, fleet, dispatch, investigative support, etc... **Figure 5** below shows every penny that goes into the cost of a Police Service Unit. It is important to recognize that these numbers reflect 2010 prices and will change slightly heading into 2011.

Figure 5: 2010 contract price

Deputy Salary	\$58,440
Deputy Fringe	\$33,796
Uniform	\$1,500
Gun	\$600
Fleet	\$11,137
Central Dispatch	\$16,080
Liability Insurance	\$2,167
Sheriff Support Services Salary	\$5,292
Sheriff Support Services Fringe	\$3,439
Sheriff Support Services Overtime	\$99
Sheriff Support Services Uniforms	\$58
Information & Technology Systems	\$4,794
General Supplies	\$698
Other Services & Charges	\$2,264
Capital Outlay	\$94
Contract Related Legal	\$590
Net Revenue	-\$6,955
Net Fire Dispatch	-\$1,839
Supervision (Sergeants & Lieutenants)	\$12,548
TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE	\$144,802

The 2010 contract price (\$144,802) is different than the actual cost (\$176,108) of doing business. The price is what you pay as a contract jurisdiction; the cost is the actual cost of doing business. Below is a list of additional benefits associated with contract policing.

Animal Control Officers	Marine Safety Officers
Detective Bureau/Warrant Officer	Accident Investigations
S.W.A.T	K-9
County-Wide Deputy Support (12 Deputies)	Other Contract Area Support (80 Deputies)
Prevention Services	Facilities
Lawsuit Settlements	Court Transport
Back-fill of long-term leave deputies	Drug Enforcement Unit
Crisis Negotiation Team	Auto Theft Unit



The Facts

2010 Price=\$144,802/PSU
2010 Cost=\$176,108/PSU

Price is what each contracting jurisdiction pays. Cost is the actual cost of doing business.

For years the debate over police service price/costs have gone on. Several years ago that debate heated up as the price for the contract rose.

Why did the cost rise?

The original cost model of a Police Unit only covered some of the cost of providing police protection. In order to cover the actual cost of doing business the County Board Of Commissioners worked to include all of the actual costs associated with running a police agency. Costs such as cars, uniform, technology, etc... were added.

What has changed?

For the first time the Police Services Steering Committee, which is made up of Township officials, County Commissioners, and the Sheriff have looked through each line item of the Sheriff's Office budget to reach an agreement as to what the true cost of a police unit is. Now that we finally know an actual cost the debate over the price to charge for that unit is much more clear.

Community Engagement

WCSO Adding Value to our Community

The WCSO is in a unique position to engage community residents, influence community resources, and work with other components of the criminal justice system. Our mission is more than just arresting and holding those that have committed crimes. Building Strong and Sustainable Communities requires a commitment and dedication to the community and requires a connection to neighborhoods in order to be truly successful.

It's not about feel good programs. It's about getting into our neighborhoods, forming meaningful relationships, building trust, working together to prevent and solve crimes, and ultimately it's about a better quality of life for us all.

Understanding that crime is not just a law enforcement problem but that it is also a community problem is the basis of our commitment to building partnerships with our neighbors. Whether it is focused on youth or seniors...a one time, month long, or year round event...preventing crime or reintegrating a former inmate back into society...it all comes down to addressing root causes.

The WCSO is taking the lead and initiative to work within our neighborhoods. We are addressing the root causes of crime, being proactive and preventing crime, working closely with human service organizations, and working with residents to revitalize some of our most vulnerable areas. Listed in the column to the right are just a few of the many community-oriented prevention programs run by the Sheriff's Office.



Building Community

Neighborhood Watch
Email Alert System
Community Outreach Team
Touch A Truck
WCSO Explorers
Homeless Soccer
Book-A-Cop
Car Seat Giveaway
STOPPED
Shop With A Cop
Citizens Police Academy
Ballin' Basketball Series
Victim Notification System

For More Information Contact
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734-973-4503

Community Outreach

Building Community With Those That Tore it Down



In 2009 & 2010 WCSO was awarded the DOJ Justice Assistance Grant for Community Outreach that focuses on reducing recidivism and revitalizing neighborhoods.

With released inmates returning to our community on a daily basis the WCSO is at the forefront of reintegrating them back into society.

Our Community Outreach Team (COT) acts as the liaison between the streets, community residents and law-enforcement. By engaging the community on three fronts, our goal is systemic community change to address root causes. We have begun partnering and connecting with residents that at one time were incarcerated. To address root causes you cannot simply deal with the symptom through arrests. The goal is to connect with the streets and use those connections and the information generated to prevent crime and solve crimes faster when it does occur. The COT is also focused on building strong neighborhoods by identifying quality of life issues and addressing the conditions in neighborhoods that contribute to crime.

Book-A-Cop

Month Long Promotion of Literacy



There's no jail time or fingerprinting involved in "Book a Cop," only a month long promotion of literacy.

The WCSO, including Sheriff Clayton, spent the entire month of March volunteering to read to the Ypsilanti Public Schools' first grade students. The activity is part of "**March is Reading Month**" celebrations and was designed & led by Corporal Charles Ball.

"We want students to feel comfortable with law enforcement personnel and this is one way to build a positive rapport with some of our youngest citizens."

Corporal Charles Ball

It's one thing to solve a crime after it has been committed, but the WCSO has focused our efforts on preventing crime from taking place. By proactively targeting specific areas and engaging residents prevention is possible.

Have you seen the horses? Last summer the Mounted Unit began patrolling our streets, along with increased bike patrols and foot patrols. These are not random patrols, but are focused on particular streets and neighborhoods at specific times aimed at prevention.

Proactive Patrols

Walking & Riding the Streets



Stay connected to the information that matters most to you!

Sign up to receive text and email crime alerts from the WCSO.

The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office is committed to fully engaging the citizens that we serve and working with you to prevent criminal activity, capture those individuals that have committed crimes, and to find non-enforcement methods of improving the quality of life in our county.

Nixle is a new communications service that allows us to send important, valuable community information directly to you using the latest technology. It allows us to create and publish messages to be delivered to subscribed residents instantly via text message and/or email.

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Washtenaw County Community Report

Welcome to the first installment of the WCSO's Annual Community Report. Inside you will find information on;

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