



***PEACE OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTINGS
2023 ANNUAL REPORT***

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Pursuant to Articles 2.139 and 2.1395 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (“Code”) enacted pursuant to HB1036 by the 84th Legislature, Texas law enforcement agencies are required to report information regarding peace officer involved shootings. These reports are made to the Office of the Attorney General (“OAG”). The OAG is then required to create an annual report summarizing the information in the submitted law enforcement reports. Under the Code, the OAG annual report is submitted to the Governor, and to the standing legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over criminal justice matters.

The annual report for 2023 provides the following information:

- a) The number of peace officer involved shootings from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, as well as some brief statistical breakdown of those incidents; and
- b) An attachment of copies of the actual reports submitted to the OAG.

Summary of Peace Officer Involved Shootings: 1/1/23 - 12/31/23

From January 1, 2023 until December 31, 2023, there were two hundred eight (208) separate incidents¹ statewide involving peace officer shootings with a firearm that caused injury or death. Those incidents resulted in one hundred forty (140) deaths and sixty-eight (68) injuries to individuals.² Additionally, thirty (30) peace officers were injured and three (3) were killed.

Of the individuals (non-peace officers) who were either injured or killed in these incidents, ninety-one (91) were Hispanic, sixty-five (65) were Caucasian, forty-six (46) were African-American, three (3) were of another nationality or race, two (2) were Asian or Pacific Islander and one (1) was not available. One hundred ninety-one (191) of these incidents involved individuals who were reported to be carrying a deadly weapon; seventeen (17) did not.

¹ A separate incident is defined based on the individual who was injured or killed by a use of a firearm. For example, if one person is shot by two officers, this would count as one incident, even though two reports were filed (i.e., one report for each officer who fired their weapon).

² Four reports submitted to the OAG were withdrawn (two were filed incorrectly, one was a duplicate and one was submitted in error). They were Officer Involved Shooting Reports from Rockwall County Sheriff’s Office (OIS-00004850 and OIS-00004861), Caldwell Police Department (OIS-00004718) and Harker Heights Police Department (OIS-00004485). They are included with the attached pdf reports but, were not included in the statistical breakdown due to their retraction.

The reason for the officers' involvement is broken down as follows: One hundred twenty-six (126) Emergency Calls or Requests for Assistance; twenty-one (21) involving Execution of a Warrant; twenty-three (23) Hostage, Barricade and Other Emergency Situations; thirty-nine (39) Traffic Stops; and forty (40) Other Uncategorized Situations.³

³ Agencies may report more than one explanation for the peace officer involvement, therefore the total of these exceed the number of incidents.