

2010 TRAFFIC STOP DATA REPORT



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In October, 2000, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) released the first Traffic Stop Data Report relating to Traffic Law Enforcement traffic stops. The report was designed to provide a historical background pertaining to the issues of racial profiling and examined the activities of the Texas Department of Public Safety as related to traffic stops.

In an on-going effort to keep the state's leadership, DPS commissioned officers, and other interested citizens of the state of Texas informed on department activities, a Traffic Stop Data Report is issued annually for activities January through December.

During the 77th Regular session of the Texas Legislature, Senate Bill 1074 regarding "Racial Profiling" was enacted. Senate Bill 1074 requires Texas Law Enforcement Agencies to collect certain traffic stop data and to annually report the data to the governing body of the agency.

This report reflects traffic stop activities of the Texas Department of Public Safety for the calendar year 2010.

The ethnic breakdown of the Texas population in this report is based on the 2010 United States Census Data, rather than the population estimates from the Texas State Data Center reflected in the initial report of October 2000.

The Texas Department of Public Safety remains committed to the prevention of racial profiling. Racial profiling is illegal, inconsistent with the principles of American policing, and an indefensible public protection strategy.

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Based upon available data (January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010) Troopers with the DPS made traffic stops, issued citations, warnings, and/or conducted searches of vehicles as follows:

TRAFFIC STOPS			
Race	# of Traffic Stops	% Race of Traffic Stops	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	41,057	1.40%	3.84%
Black	285,761	9.76%	11.48%
Hispanic	373,456	12.76%	37.62%
Indian**	5,006	0.17%	0.32%
Other	172,617	5.90%	1.41%
White	2,049,750	70.01%	45.33%
TOTAL	2,927,647		

TRAFFIC STOPS		
Race/Ethnicity	Yes	No
Prior Knowledge	89,028	2,838,619

CITATIONS			
Race	# of Traffic Stops	% Race of Traffic Stops	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	15,373	1.55%	3.84%
Black	107,731	10.89%	11.48%
Hispanic	126,826	12.82%	37.62%
Indian**	1,852	0.19%	0.32%
Other	60,973	6.16%	1.41%
White	676,268	68.38%	45.33%
TOTAL	989,023		

WRITTEN WARNINGS			
Race	# of Traffic Stops	% Race of Traffic Stops	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	25,684	1.32%	3.84%
Black	178,030	9.18%	11.48%
Hispanic	246,630	12.72%	37.62%
Indian**	3,154	0.16%	0.32%
Other	111,644	5.76%	1.41%
White	1,373,482	70.85%	45.33%
TOTAL	1,938,624		

CONSENT VEHICLE SEARCHES			
Race	# of Searches	% Race of Consent Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	230	0.75%	3.84%
Black	4,809	15.58%	11.48%
Hispanic	4,303	13.94%	37.62%
Indian**	65	0.21%	0.32%
Other	2,891	9.37%	1.41%
White	18,566	60.15%	45.33%
TOTAL	30,864		

PROBABLE CAUSE VEHICLE SEARCHES			
Race	# of Searches	% Race of Consent Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	79	0.65%	3.84%
Black	2,988	24.41%	11.48%
Hispanic	866	7.07%	37.62%
Indian**	20	0.16%	0.32%
Other	787	6.43%	1.41%
White	7,501	61.28%	45.33%
TOTAL	12,241		

ALL OTHER VEHICLE SEARCHES***			
Race	# of Traffic Searches	% Race of Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	70	0.59%	3.84%
Black	1,374	11.67%	11.48%
Hispanic	1,528	12.97%	37.62%
Indian**	26	0.22%	0.32%
Other	468	3.97%	1.41%
White	8,311	70.57%	45.33%
TOTAL	11,777		

CRIMINAL INTERDICTION			
Race	# of Criminal Violations	% Race of Criminal Violations	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	114	0.82%	3.84%
Black	3,061	22.00%	11.48%
Hispanic	1,028	7.39%	37.62%
Indian**	29	0.21%	0.32%
Other	836	6.01%	1.41%
White	8,846	63.58%	45.33%
TOTAL	13,914		

*Asian/Pacific Islander

** Indian(American Indian or Alaskan Native)

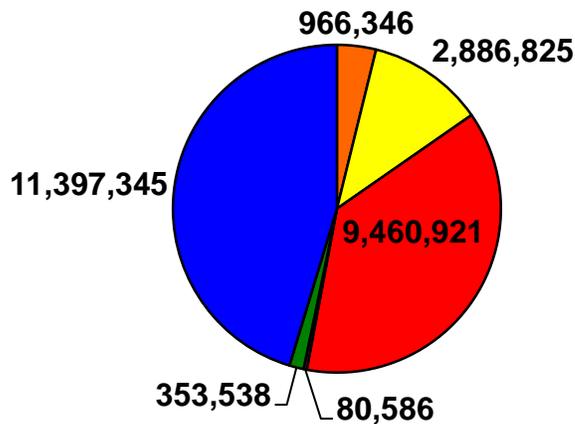
***All other vehicle searches include: Incident to Arrest, and Inventory

POPULATION BY RACE/ETHNICITY IN TEXAS

The following chart demonstrates the race/ethnicity population estimates for Texas as determined by the 2010 United States Census.

TEXAS POPULATION ESTIMATE

Origin by Race	Total Persons	Percentage
Asian/Pacific Islander	966,346	3.84%
Black	2,886,825	11.48%
Hispanic	9,460,921	37.62%
Indian(American Indian/Alaskan Native)	80,586	0.32%
Other	353,538	1.41%
White	11,397,345	45.33%
Total	25,145,561	100.00%

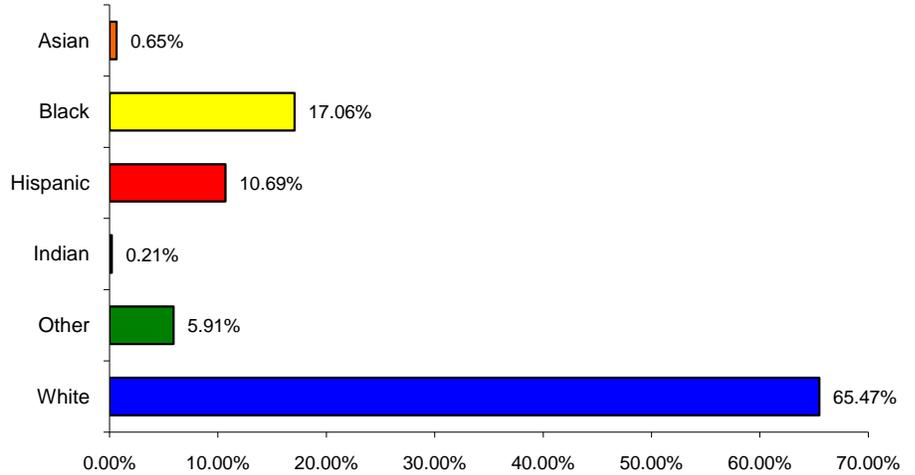


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**2010 VEHICLE SEARCHES
(CITATIONS)**

(January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010)

Race	Citations	Percentage
Asian	238	0.65%
Black	6,199	17.06%
Hispanic	3,887	10.69%
Indian	76	0.21%
Other	2,149	5.91%
White	23,796	65.47%
Total	36,345	

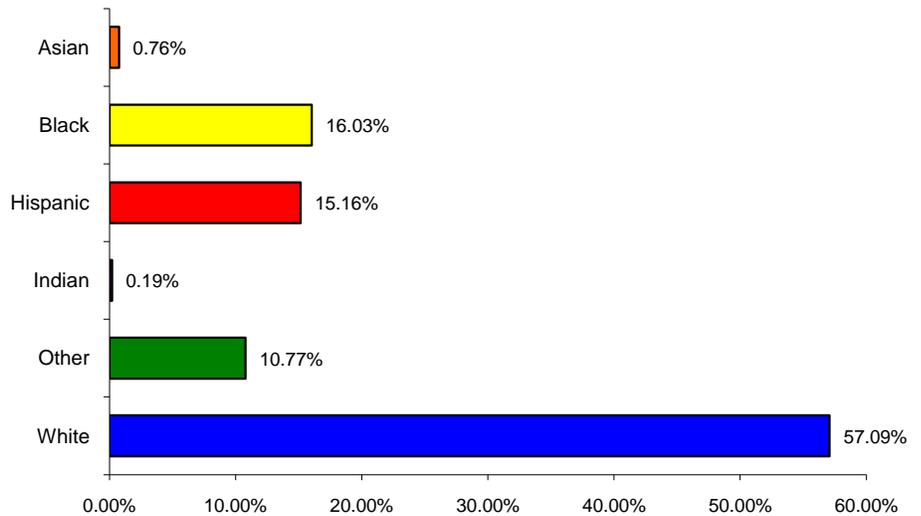


From January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 a total of 36,345 searches were conducted as vehicles were stopped for citations.

**2010 VEHICLE SEARCHES
(WARNINGS)**

(January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010)

Race	Warnings	Percentage
Asian	141	0.76%
Black	2,972	16.03%
Hispanic	2,810	15.16%
Indian	35	0.19%
Other	1,997	10.77%
White	10,582	57.09%
Total	18,537	



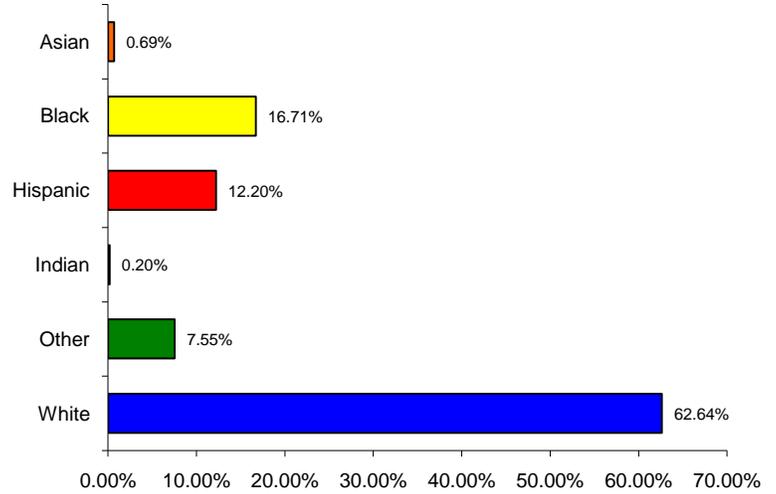
From January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 a total of 18,537 searches were conducted as vehicles were stopped for warnings.

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**2010 VEHICLE SEARCHES
(CITATIONS & WARNINGS)**

(January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010)

Race	Warnings & Citations	Percentage
Asian	379	0.69%
Black	9,171	16.71%
Hispanic	6,697	12.20%
Indian	111	0.20%
Other	4,146	7.55%
White	34,378	62.64%
Total	54,882	



From January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010, a total of 54,882 vehicles were searched during traffic stops.

NON-TRAFFIC CRIMINAL ARRESTS RESULTING FROM VEHICLE SEARCHES

(JANUARY 1, 2010 - DECEMBER 31, 2010)

RACE	DRUG CHARGES FROM SEARCHES	OTHER CRIMINAL CHARGES FROM SEARCHES	TOTAL CRIMINAL CHARGES
Asian	89	25	114
Black	2,070	991	3,061
Hispanic	641	387	1,028
Indian	20	9	29
Other	656	180	836
White	6,339	2,507	8,846
TOTAL	9,815	4,099	13,914

A non-traffic criminal offense is a criminal offense that is not classified as a traffic offense. These criminal offenses include violations that may range from minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage to murder.

VEHICLE SEARCHES BY DRIVER LICENSE STATE

(JANUARY 1, 2010 - DECEMBER 31, 2010)

RACE	TEXAS	OUT OF STATE	OTHER	UNKNOWN	TOTAL
Asian	297	80	0	2	379
Black	6,935	2,204	7	25	9,171
Hispanic	4,310	1,233	877	277	6,697
Indian	91	20	0	0	111
Other	2,036	1,969	128	13	4,146
White	30,181	3,694	356	147	34,378
Total	43,850	9,200	1,368	464	54,882