

# 2005 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 2005.

The ethnic breakdown of the Texas population in this report is based on the 2000 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, 2005 - December 31, 2005) 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*	24,866	0.86%	2.80%
Black	283,186	9.75%	11.34%
Hispanic	687,706	23.69%	31.99%
Indian**	2,140	0.07%	0.60%
Other	23,989	0.83%	0.84%
White	1,881,338	64.80%	52.43%
TOTAL	2,903,225		

CITATIONS			
Race	# of Traffic Stops	% Race of Traffic Stops	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	13,895	0.91%	2.80%
Black	152,823	10.01%	11.34%
Hispanic	442,599	28.98%	31.99%
Indian**	1,203	0.08%	0.60%
Other	15,087	0.99%	0.84%
White	901,811	59.04%	52.43%
TOTAL	1,527,418		

WRITTEN WARNINGS			
Race	# of Traffic Stops	% Race of Traffic Stops	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	10,971	0.80%	2.80%
Black	130,363	9.48%	11.34%
Hispanic	245,107	17.82%	31.99%
Indian**	937	0.07%	0.60%
Other	8,902	0.65%	0.84%
White	979,527	71.20%	52.43%
TOTAL	1,375,807		

CONSENT VEHICLE SEARCHES			
Race	# of Searches	% Race of Consent Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	230	0.53%	2.80%
Black	6,582	15.26%	11.34%
Hispanic	12,121	28.10%	31.99%
Indian**	30	0.07%	0.60%
Other	277	0.64%	0.84%
White	23,896	55.40%	52.43%
TOTAL	43,136		

PROBABLE CAUSE VEHICLE SEARCHES			
Race	# of Searches	% Race of Consent Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	64	0.34%	2.80%
Black	3,685	19.51%	11.34%
Hispanic	3,534	18.71%	31.99%
Indian**	18	0.10%	0.60%
Other	119	0.63%	0.84%
White	11,466	60.71%	52.43%
TOTAL	18,886		

ALL OTHER VEHICLE SEARCHES			
Race	# of Traffic Searches	% Race of Searches	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	94	0.28%	2.80%
Black	3,675	11.01%	11.34%
Hispanic	8,279	24.79%	31.99%
Indian**	27	0.08%	0.60%
Other	126	0.38%	0.84%
White	21,191	63.46%	52.43%
TOTAL	33,392		

CRIMINAL INTERDICTION			
Race	# of Criminal Violations	% Race of Criminal Violations	% Race/Ethnicity Population of Texas
Asian*	107	0.31%	2.80%
Black	6,677	19.39%	11.34%
Hispanic	5,431	15.77%	31.99%
Indian**	28	0.08%	0.60%
Other	153	0.44%	0.84%
White	22,036	64.00%	52.43%
TOTAL	34,432		

\*Asian/Pacific Islander

\*\* Indian(American Indian or Alaskan Native)

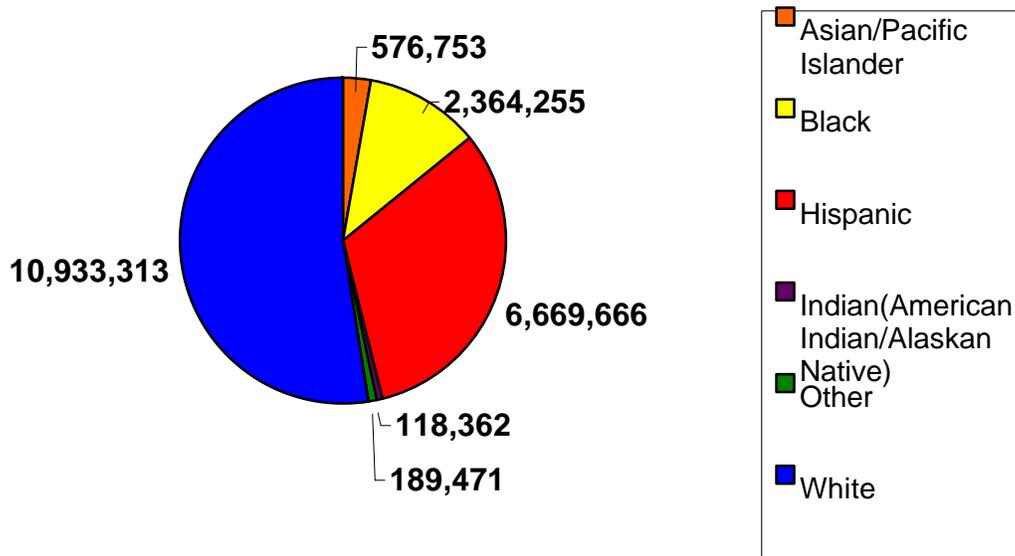
\*\*\*All other vehicle searches include: Incident to Arrest, and Inventory

## POPULATION BY RACE/ETHNICITY IN TEXAS

The following chart demonstrates the race/ethnicity population estimates for Texas as determined by the 2000 United States Census.

TEXAS POPULATION ESTIMATE

Origin by Race	Total Persons	Percentage
Asian/Pacific Islander	576,753	2.80%
Black	2,364,255	11.34%
Hispanic	6,669,666	31.99%
Indian(American Indian/Alaskan Native)	118,362	0.60%
Other	189,471	0.84%
White	10,933,313	52.43%
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,851,820</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

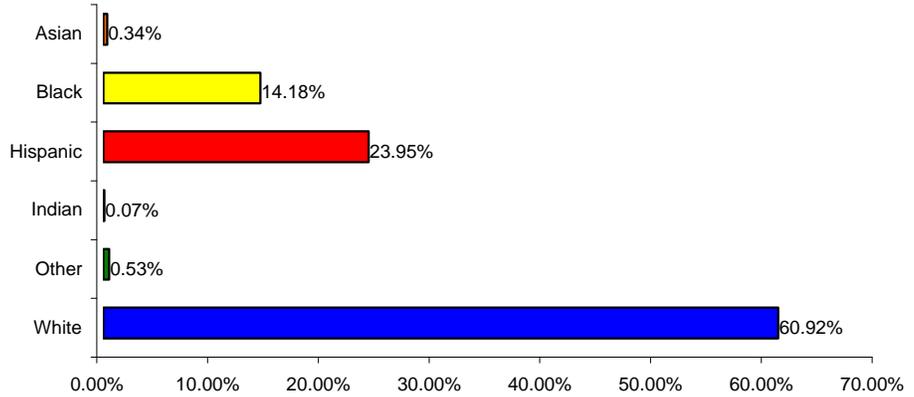


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**2005 VEHICLE SEARCHES  
(CITATIONS)**

(January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005)

<b>Race</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Asian</b>	275	0.34%
<b>Black</b>	11,513	14.18%
<b>Hispanic</b>	19,449	23.95%
<b>Indian</b>	60	0.07%
<b>Other</b>	431	0.53%
<b>White</b>	49,464	60.92%
<b>Total</b>	<b>81,192</b>	

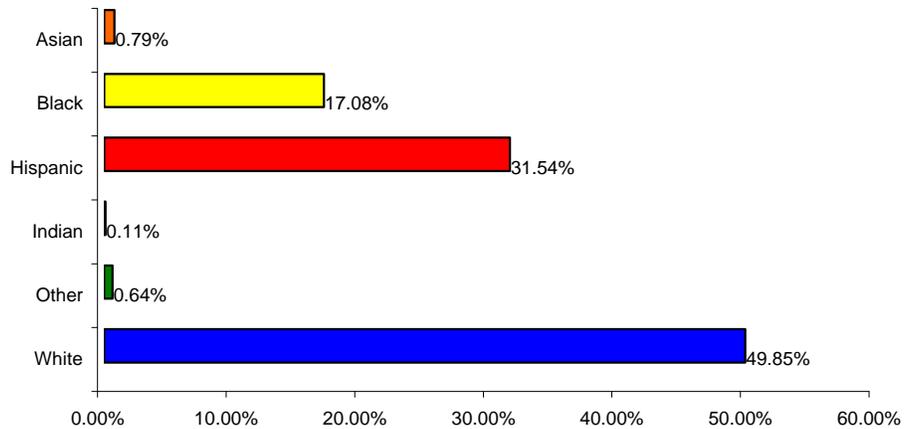


From January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005 a total of 81,192 searches were conducted as vehicles were stopped for citations.

**2005 VEHICLE SEARCHES  
(WARNINGS)**

(January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005)

<b>Asian</b>	113	0.79%
<b>Black</b>	2,429	17.08%
<b>Hispanic</b>	4,485	31.54%
<b>Indian</b>	15	0.11%
<b>Other</b>	91	0.64%
<b>White</b>	7,089	49.85%
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,222</b>	



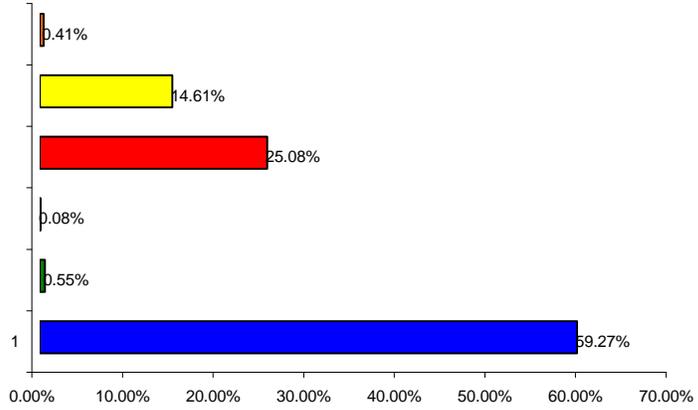
From January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005 a total of 14,222 searches were conducted as vehicles were stopped for warnings.

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### 2005 VEHICLE SEARCHES (CITATIONS & WARNINGS)

(January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005)

Race	Warnings & Citations	Percentage
Asian	388	0.41%
Black	13,942	14.61%
Hispanic	23,934	25.08%
Indian	75	0.08%
Other	522	0.55%
White	56,553	59.27%
<b>Total</b>	<b>95,414</b>	



From January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005, a total of 95,414 vehicles were searched during traffic stops.

**NON-TRAFFIC CRIMINAL ARRESTS RESULTING FROM VEHICLE SEARCHES**

(JANUARY 1, 2005 - DECEMBER 31, 2005)

<b>RACE</b>	<b>DRUG CHARGES FROM SEARCHES</b>	<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CHARGES FROM SEARCHES</b>	<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CHARGES</b>
Asian	44	63	107
Black	2,944	3,733	6,677
Hispanic	2,230	3,201	5,431
Indian	12	16	28
Other	66	87	153
White	9,568	12,468	22,036
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14,864</b>	<b>19,568</b>	<b>34,432</b>

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, 2005 - DECEMBER 31, 2005)

<b>RACE</b>	<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>OUT OF STATE</b>	<b>OTHER</b>	<b>UNKNOWN</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Asian	255	108	7	18	388
Black	9,964	3,009	11	958	13,942
Hispanic	15,302	2,434	1,045	5,153	23,934
Indian	43	24	0	8	75
Other	357	99	19	47	522
White	45,960	7,011	262	3,320	56,553
<b>Total</b>	<b>71,881</b>	<b>12,685</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>9,504</b>	<b>95,414</b>