



# Merced Police Department 2021 Crime Report

Merced City Council Meeting  
April 4, 2022

# Department Staffing

- Sworn – 98 positions
  - Patrol 7 Sgt & 46 officers
  - Investigations – 1 Sgt. & 12 Det.
  - DART – 1 Sgt. & 5 officers
  - Traffic – 1 Sgt. & 5 officers
  - GVSU – 1 Sgt. & 4 officers
  - School Res. Officers – 6 Officers
  - Management – 7 (Chief, 3 Cpts., 3 Lts.)
  - Merced Community College – 1 Sgt.
  - Task Force – 1 officer
- Professional – 40 positions
  - Dispatchers – 15
  - Records – 11
  - Code Enforcement – 3
  - Animal Control – 2
  - Property & Evidence – 2
  - Parking Enforcement Officers – 2
  - Community Liaison – 1
  - Communications – 1
  - Crime Analyst – 1
  - Background & Training – 1
  - Admin Analyst – 1

# Greater Community of Merced

2020 Population = 88,120

2021 Population = 90,971

## Student Influence

- UC Merced approx. 9,000 students
- Merced College approx. 13,000 students

## County Seat Influence

- Regional services
- Daytime population

	2020	2021
Incidents	73,375	79,027
Priority Response	36,230	37,594
911 Calls	61,927	65,206
Outgoing Calls	35,841	39,013
Average Response Time	4 min, 51 sec	5 min, 7 sec
Medical Aid Calls	889	936

- In 2021, every 6 minutes an officer was on scene
- 29.6% or 23,500 were “On-View” incidents

## Department Workload

# Top 10 Dispatch Call Types

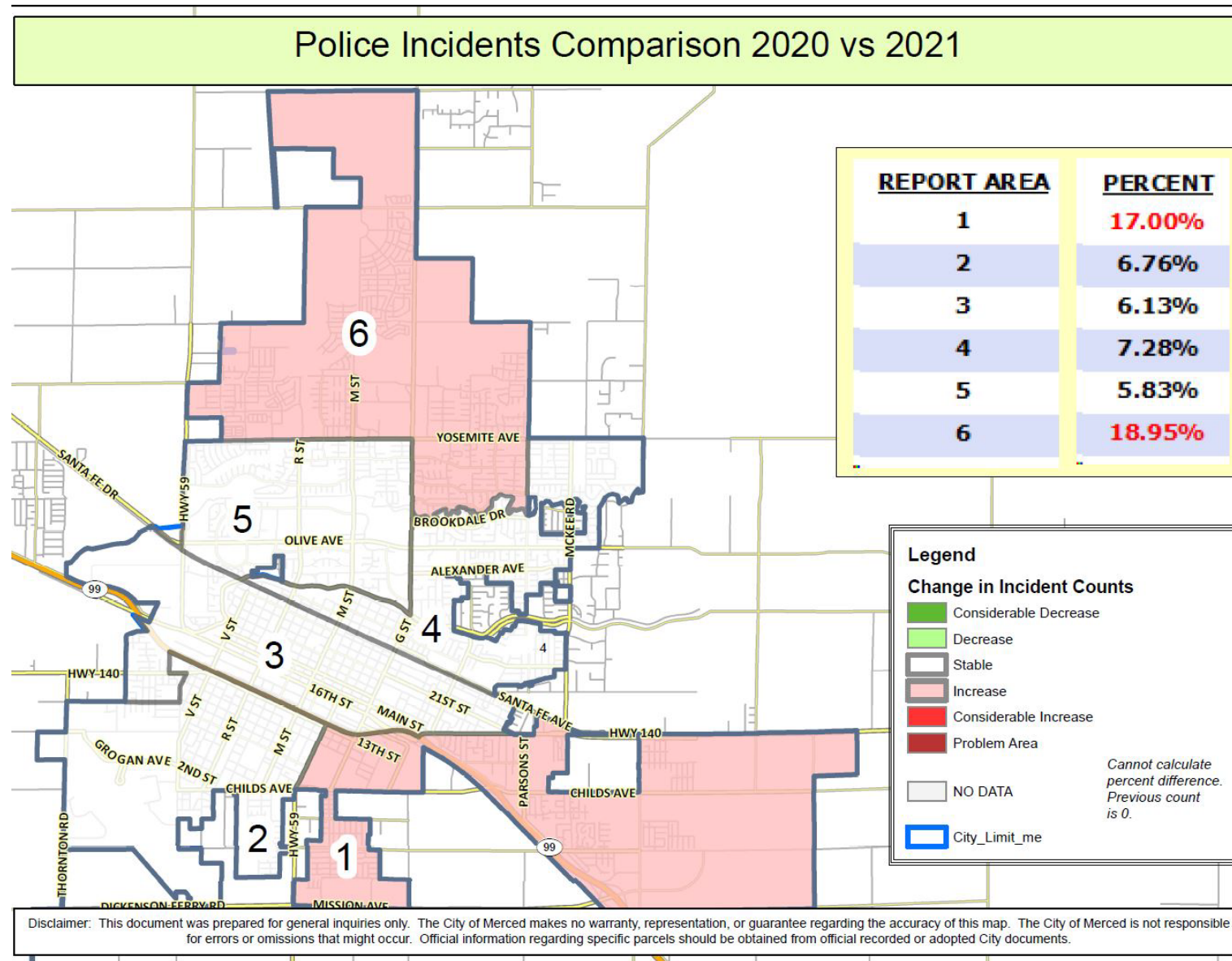
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	2020	2021
Disturbance	8,316	8,551
Susp. Circ./Person	5,070	4,762
Animal Related	3,437	4,108
Alarm	3,419	3,374
Municipal Code Violations	3,193	2,529
Misc. Penal Code Violations	2,603	2,867
Domestic Violence	2,594	2,513
Theft	2,426	2,415
Motor Vehicle Collisions	1,951	2,516
Civil Disputes	1,807	1,827

# Universal Crime Reporting (UCR) Data

	2020	2021
Murder	7	13
% change		86%
Rape	40	37
% change		-8%
Robbery	133	109
% change		-18%
Assault	1,030	1,099
% change		7%
Crimes Against People	1,210	1,258
% change		4%
	2020	2021
Burglary	388	292
% change		-25%
Theft	1,126	1,632
% change		45%
Auto Theft	425	574
% change		35%
Arson	95	126
% change		33%
Crimes Against Property	2,034	2,624
% change		29%
	2020	2021
Total Violent Crimes	3,244	3,882
% change		20%

# MPD Response by Council District



## Incidents by Council District

District 1 – 12,900+

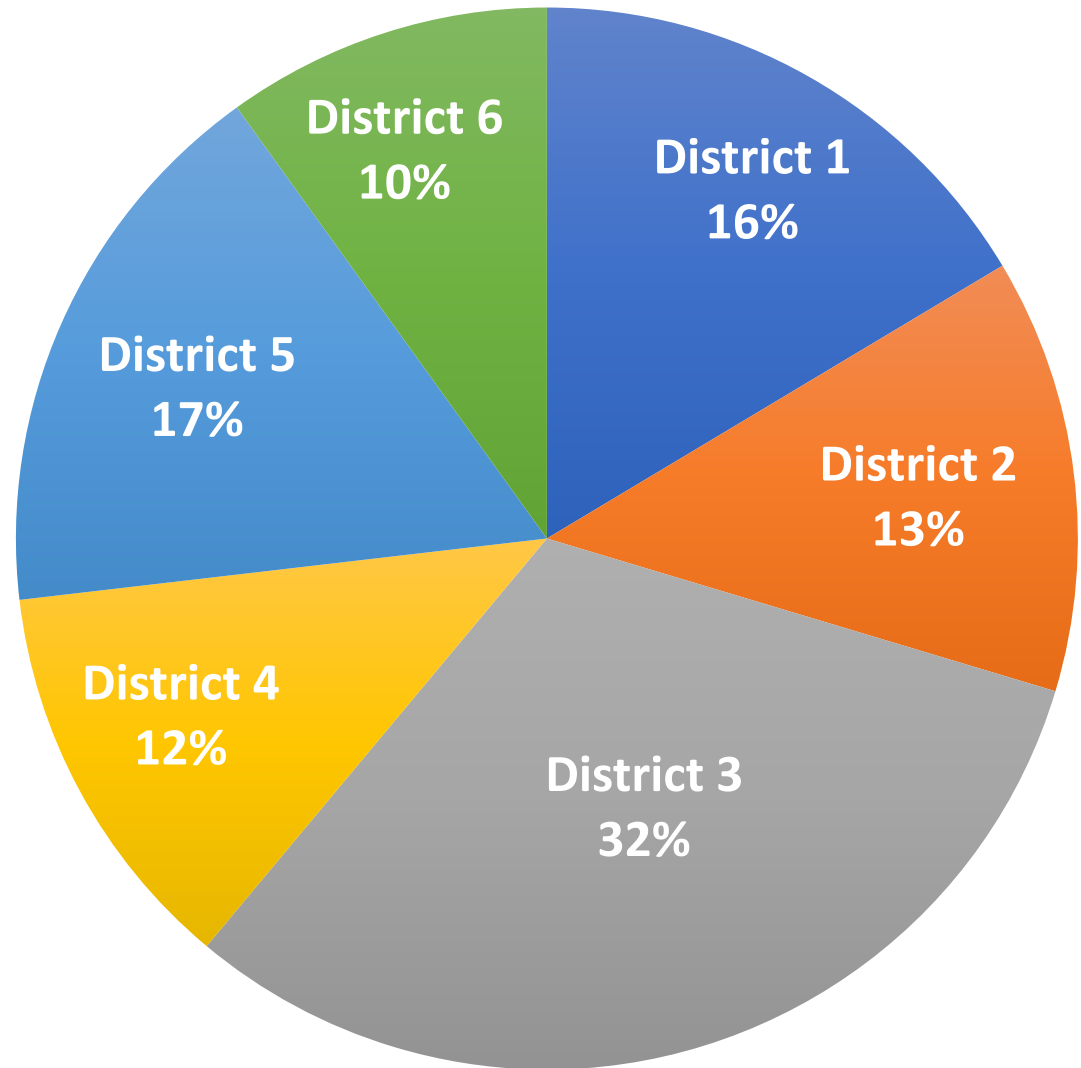
District 2 – 10,400+

District 3 – 24,700+

District 4 – 9,500+

District 5 – 13,300+

District 6 – 7,800+





# Investigations Division

10 Detectives

Total Cases Assigned to Detectives – 2,731

Current open cases - 477

Property Crimes – 1,148

Crimes Against Persons – 1,316

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Tips Investigated – 37

Sexual Assaults - 169

Cellular Devices Analyzed – 125

## Misc. Information

4,600 arrest were made in 2021

756 people were booked for felony offenses

268 people were cited for felony offenses (Zero Bail)

329 guns were logged into evidence

5,330 pieces of evidence were logged

Stolen Vehicles (18/19 – **444**, 19/20 – **511**, 20/21 – **646**)

# Quality of Life

## DART (4 Police Officers)

- 856 contacts with people experiencing homelessness
- 111 people accepted services
- 760 Clean-ups of varying size

## Code Enforcement (3 Professional Staff)

- Abandoned & Blight Vehicles – 118 vehicles abated
- 2,275 cases opened – 95% stemming from community complaints
- 90 cases of substandard housing issues

## Animal Control (2 Professional Staff)

- 4,120 calls for service
- 1,533 animals sheltered (722 dogs, 775 cats, 36 other)
- 170 citations

## Traffic Concerns

- Officers responded to 2,667 vehicle collisions
- Total Collisions Reports Completed – 1,519
- Total Injured – 673
- Fatal Collisions – 11
- DUI – 325 Arrests
- Parking Citations – 4,103