

Kent County Sheriff's Office

“2015”

ANNUAL
STATISTICAL
REPORT



Greetings:

We are very proud of the level of service which the Kent County Sheriff's Office delivered to the citizens of the County during 2015. We are dedicated to maintaining a safe and secure environment for the citizens of Kent County. Statistics alone, however, do not tell the full story of our accomplishments. We have made significant progress in many areas which demonstrate our commitment to our vision:

The Kent County Sheriff's Office will be a first-class law enforcement agency, delivering superior service to the citizens of Kent County.

1. **Law Enforcement Accreditation.** In 2003 the Kent County Sheriff's Office became the first Eastern Shore Sheriff's Office to achieve accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Your Sheriff's Office remains in compliance with more than 464 law enforcement "best practices." We now proudly display the CALEA logo on our uniforms and marked vehicles. On November 22, 2015, the Kent County Sheriff's Office was successful in being awarded their fifth Certificate of Re-Accreditation.
2. **Narcotics Enforcement Team.** In September 2002, the Sheriff's Office organized its own Narcotics Unit in order to increase accountability in this important area. In year 2013, the NET team began the year with two (2) Deputies assigned to the unit. During 2015, thirty-four (34) search and seizure warrants were executed by the NET Team resulting in twenty-five (25) arrests for possession or distribution of narcotics and the seizure of currency and vehicles.
3. **Victim/Witness Services.** During the summer of 2006, a Victim/Witness Service Provider position was established at the Sheriff's Office utilizing a grant from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention. In November 2015 the office of the Victim/Witness Service Provider was re-located to the new office space of the Kent County State's Attorney where she will continue to provide services to witnesses and victims of crime in Kent County.
4. **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Team.** In March 2009, the Kent County Sheriff's Office entered into a partnership with the Maryland State Highway Administration's Motor Carrier Division to enable KCSO Deputies to perform routine commercial vehicle enforcement inspections based on the North American Standard (NAS). At the conclusion of 2015, six (6) Kent County Sheriff's Office Deputies had earned their certification through the Maryland State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division to perform routine commercial vehicle enforcement safety inspections based on the North American Standard. During 2015 these Deputies initiated and inspected 238 commercial vehicles.

We want to be fully responsive to the citizens of Kent County and serve you in the best way we can. We would welcome any comments or questions you have about this report. Please visit our website, www.kentcounty.com/sheriff or call us on (410) 778-5946, email us at sheriff@kentgov.org or write us at:

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MISSION STATEMENT AND CODE OF ETHICS

The Kent County Sheriff's Office is a full service police agency responsible for enforcing the laws of the State of Maryland within the County. The Sheriff is also responsible for serving legal papers at the direction of the District and Circuit Courts of the County, providing security for the Kent County Courthouse, and enforcing the Courts' orders. The men and women of the Kent County Sheriff's Office are dedicated to service through superior performance. We believe mutual respect, trust and pride in our organization, combined with traditional values and innovative techniques, will ensure the community's right to a safe environment.

CORE VALUES

The men and women of the Kent County Sheriff's Office are bound by a high standard of conduct, as exemplified in the following values:

Life - We believe the protection of life is our highest priority.

Respect - We believe in individual human dignity and the preservation of human rights under the rule and spirit of law, always treating others as we would like to be treated.

Integrity - We believe in maintaining the public trust by holding ourselves accountable to the highest moral and ethical standards.

Fairness - We believe in the delivery of service that provides fair and equal treatment to all citizens without regard to age, gender, race, creed, color, religion or national origin.

Trust - We believe in order to provide effective service we must develop and maintain the confidence of the community.

Partnerships - We believe in working in partnership with the community and each other to identify and resolve problems and issues which affect the safety of our citizens.

Loyalty - We believe in an allegiance to the community, to the organization and to each other.

Professionalism - We believe in delivering a level of service which will reflect the pride we have in our community and organization.

**Overall Performance Report
January 1 thru December 31, 2015
Compared to Calendar Year 2014**

	2014	2015	# Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Miles Driven	395,254	387,645	- 7,609	- 1.9%
Criminal Arrests	519	466	-53	- 10.2%
Juvenile Arrests	28	11	- 17	- 60.7%
CDS Arrests	121	68	- 53	- 43.8%
DWI Arrests	103	96	- 7	- 6.8%
Traffic Accidents	38	55	+ 17	+ 44.7%
Traffic Warnings	8,813	7,634	- 1,179	- 13.4%
Traffic Citations	3,890	3,679	- 211	- 5.4%
Non-DWI Traffic Arrests	758	847	+ 89	+ 11.7%
Criminal Summons Served	96	77	- 19	- 19.8%
Part I Offenses	148	107	- 41	- 27.7%
Part II Offenses	270	215	- 55	- 20.4%
Call Assists	1,633	1,235	-398	- 24.4%
Civil Process	1,941	1,946	+ 5	+ .003%
Court Security (hours)	944	987	+ 43	+ 5.6%
Calls for Service	18,345	20,082	+ 1,737	+ 9.5%

**Includes Patrol and C.I.D.

Crimes Handled by the Kent County Sheriff's Office¹

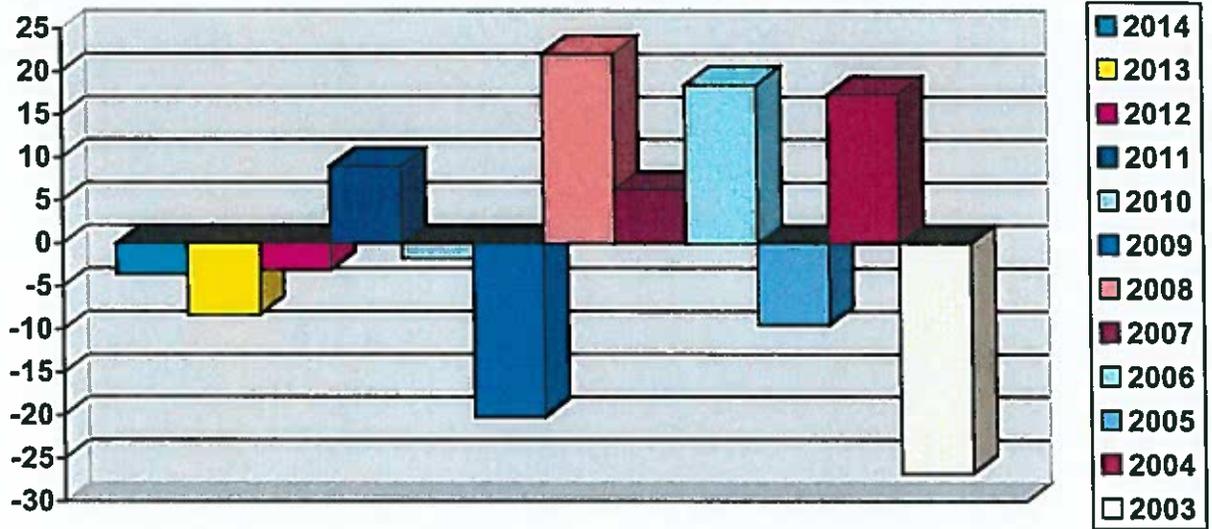
PART I CRIMES	2014	2015	INCREASE / DECREASE
Burglary	67	42	-25
Robbery	0	3	+ 3
Rogue & Vagabond	15	18	+ 3
Theft	62	39	- 23
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	- 1
1 st Degree Assault	3	3	0
Rape	0	2	+ 2
TOTAL PART I CRIMES	148	107	- 41

PART II CRIMES	2014	2015	INCREASE / DECREASE
MDOP	21	10	-11
2 nd Degree Assault	42	31	-11
Sexual Offenses	2	3	+ 1
Reckless Endangerment	1	1	0
CDS Violations	79	44	-35
Trespassing	2	1	- 1
Sexual Child Abuse	2	0	- 2
Physical Child Abuse	2	2	0
Child Neglect	0	2	+ 2
Resisting Arrest	2	2	0
Deadly Weapon School Property	1	0	- 1
Handgun Violation	0	1	+ 1
Bomb Threat	1	2	+ 1
U/U Motor Vehicle	2	2	0
Disorderly Conduct	5	0	- 5
Suicide	0	1	+ 1
Violation of Protective Order	2	6	+ 4
Violation of Peace Order	1	1	0
Sex Offender Reg. Violation	0	1	+ 1
Illegal Dumping	1	0	- 1
Disrupt School Activity	1	0	- 1
DWI Arrests	103	96	- 7
TOTAL PART II CRIMES	270	206	-64

TOTAL PART I & II	418	313	-105
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¹Totals include Patrol and CID

The following information collected by the Maryland Uniform Crime Report describes crime patterns for 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 AND 2014 in Kent County, Maryland. The 2015 UCR report is not yet available.



- * Year 2014 - Crime rate declined 3.6%
- * Year 2013 - Crime rate declined 8.3%
- * Year 2012 - Crime rate declined 3.1%
- * Year 2011 - Crime rate increased 9.0%
- * Year 2010 - Crime rate declined 1.7%
- * Year 2009 - Crime rate declined 20.2%
- * Year 2008 - Crime rate increased 22.1%
- * Year 2007 - Crime rate increased 6.3%
- * Year 2006 - Crime rate increased 18.5%
- * Year 2005 - Crime rate declined 9.5%
- * Year 2004 - Crime rate increased 17.4%
- * Year 2003 - Crime rate declined 26.8%

¹Totals include Patrol and CID

Speed Enforcement

	2014	2015	Increase / Decrease
Betterton			
Warnings	59	77	+ 18
Citations	39	22	- 17
Galena			
Warnings	923	665	-258
Citations	560	443	-117
Millington			
Warnings	462	440	- 22
Citations	297	320	+ 23

Traffic Accidents

	2014	2015	Increase / Decrease
By Type			
Property Damage Only	33	48	+ 15
Personal Injury	8	6	- 2
Fatal	1	0	- 1
Total	42	54	+ 12
By Location			
U.S. Highways	0	0	0
State Roads	11	21	+ 10
County Roads	27	31	+ 4
Municipal Roads	2	2	0
Parking Lots	0	0	0
OP Roads	1	0	- 1
Private Property	1	0	- 1
Total	42	54	+ 12

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
January 2015 – December 2015

For 2015, the Kent County Sheriff's Office began the year with seven (7) Deputies who were certified to perform Level III inspections of commercial vehicles based on the North American Standard (NAS). During the course of 2015, one (1) Deputy certified to inspect commercial motor vehicles left the agency. The Kent County Sheriff's Office currently has a total of six (6) Deputies certified to perform Commercial Vehicle Inspections.

Commercial Vehicles Inspected	238
Log Book and/or Hours Violations	36
Disqualified Operators	7
Total Out of Service Violations	17
Total Drivers placed "Out of Service"	28
Total Enforcement Hours	281

In addition to the violations listed above, KCSO certified inspectors issued numerous citations and warnings for other "lesser" CMV violations.

Also, in addition to conducting the Level III CMV inspections utilizing grant funds received from the State of Maryland, Kent County Sheriff's Office personnel conducted numerous CMV inspections during their scheduled patrol shifts. As a result, there was at least one (1) drug arrest and a DUI arrest. These numbers do not include passengers that were arrested for criminal offenses or warrants.

Narcotics Enforcement Team¹

<u>Arrests</u>	<u>2015</u>
Adult Arrests	25
Juvenile Arrests	<u>0</u>
Total Arrests	25

Number of Calls for Service..... 1,217

Search Warrants Written 40

Search Warrants Executed 34

<u>Narcotics Seized</u>	<u>Grams</u>
Cocaine (Powder)	17.39 grams
Cocaine (Crack)	5.2 grams
Marijuana	108.7 grams
Heroin	440 bags
Heroin (Raw)	2.0 grams
Prescriptions:	9

Other Items Seized

U. S. Currency

Numerous Smoking Devices

Numerous other paraphernalia items

¹The Narcotics Enforcement Team reports to the Commander, Criminal Investigation Division (CID)

2015 Annual Statistical Report

Town of Galena

Part I Crimes	2014	2015	Increase/Decrease
Burglary	2	1	-1
Theft	4	2	-2
Total Part I Crimes	6	3	-3
Part II Crimes			
Part II Crimes	2014	2015	Increase/Decrease
CDS Violations	9	3	-6
U/U Motor Vehicle	1	1	0
2 nd Degree Assault	1	0	-1
Reckless Endangerment	0	1	+1
Malicious Destruction of Property	1	1	0
Total Part II Crimes	12	6	-6
Total Crimes Investigated	18	9	-9
Total Crimes Cleared	14	6	-8
Case clearance by type			
Case clearance by type	2014	2015	
Cases cleared by arrest	13	5	
Exception/no arrests made	1	1	
Unfounded	0	0	
Under investigation	1	0	
Suspended	3	3	
Arrests			
Arrests	2014	2015	
Adult	14	6	
Juvenile	0	0	
Total Arrests	14	6	

Clearance Rate for Town of Galena: 66%

- Does not include any DUI Arrests
- Does include NET Team Statistics