

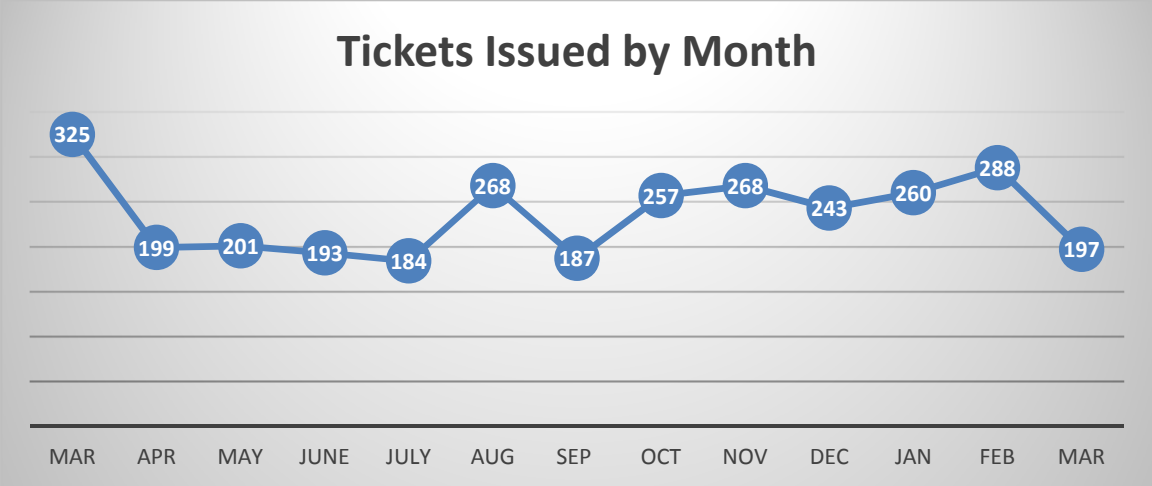
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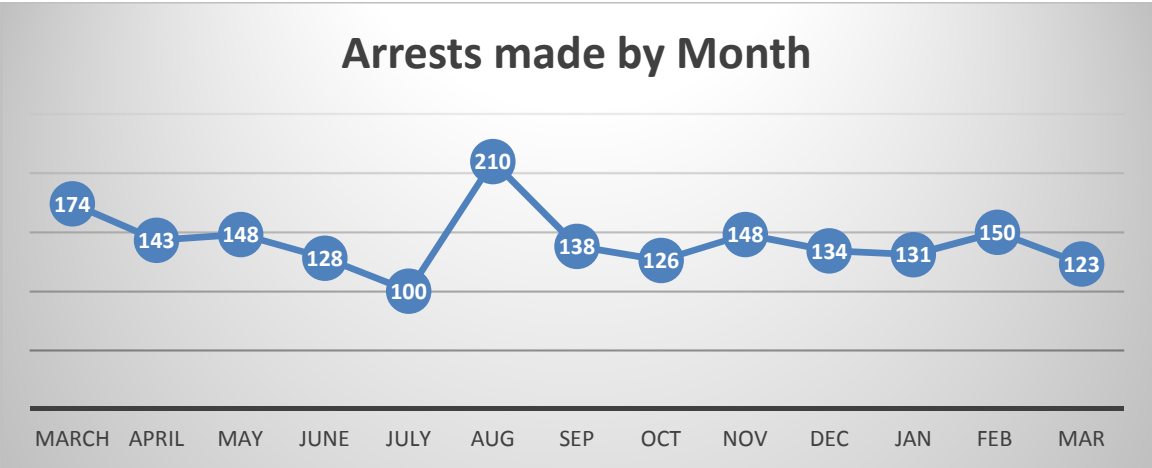
Monthly Report

March 2020

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March 2019 showed our highest rates of ticket issuance for the previous 12 months, and after a slump, the numbers returned to a higher level. Although March looks like a mild slump, the COVID-19 National Emergency has had a severe impact on citations. Although the first half of March was active, the last two weeks in March account for only 30% of tickets. Expect April to show a severe drop in numbers as officers are being asked to limit traffic stops to the most severe/reckless/drunk violators.



July showed the lowest number of arrests of the past 12 months, however there was a jump in August due in part to Operation Summer Freeze. The 45 arrests from Operation Summer Freeze, we would have been at 165 Arrests, which is closer to the average. Arrests and citations have stabilized around 135 Arrests/Month, judging by the last quarter. Arrests look average. But that was the first of March. Since the COVID-19 National Emergency, Arrests have declined at the end of the month. Expect April to show a severe drop unless people start to become disorderly, commit domestic violence, and start to steal due to lost incomes.

Incident Reports Taken by Month



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Incident Reports taken are a reflection of reports actually written. A report is not written for every call. This chart is new for 2020. Calls for service is directly related to arrests and citations. March showed a slump due to the COVID-19 Emergency, with more incidents during the first half of the month. April will possibly slow even more of a decrease.

Arrestees and Victims

On average, between 50-65% of arrested persons come from outside the city limits, showing that we serve many more people than our in-town population.

In March there were 123 arrests, including 9 Juveniles.

Crime Types

Arrests consisted of the following: (Major categories, not inclusive of all arrests):

Robbery -	2	(100% from outside city)
Shopliftings -	11	(90% from outside city)
Assaults -	6	(75% from outside city)
Thefts -	4	(100% from outside city)
Drug Offenses -	18	(83% from outside city)
DUI/Drunkenness-	13	(76% from outside city)
Weapons Law -	2	(100% from outside city)
Non-Reported State	31	(77% from outside City)*

*Non-Reported to State offenses are generally offenses like Driving Under Suspension, Operating Uninsured, Possession of Controlled Substance, and other crimes that are outside the typical violent/property crime classifications

Totals for all arrests (including those not listed above)

101 of 123 people arrested (82%) live outside the city limits.