

# Kansas Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted In the Line of Duty



## Annual Report 2018

### Kansas Bureau of Investigation

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## Deputy Sheriff Patrick Rohrer

Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office  
End of Watch: Friday, June 15, 2018

Age: 35  
Tour: 7 years  
Badge: 1903  
Cause: Gunfire  
Incident Date: 6/15/2018  
Weapon: Firearm

Deputy Sheriff Patrick Rohrer and Deputy Sheriff Theresa King were shot and killed as they transported a prisoner to the Wyandotte County Correction and Court Services Building.

They were unloading the prisoner when the man attacked them. He was able to disarm one of the deputies and shot them both. Despite being mortally wounded, one of the deputies was able to return fire and wounded the subject.

Deputy Rohrer had served with the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office for seven years. He is survived by his wife, daughter, son, parents, sister, and grandmother.



## Deputy Sheriff Theresa King

Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office  
End of Watch: Saturday, June 16, 2018

Age: 44  
Tour: 13 years  
Badge: 1689  
Cause: Gunfire  
Incident Date: 6/15/2018  
Weapon: Firearm

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Deputy King had served with the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office for 13 years. She is survived by her three children.

# Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty 2018



**Deputy Sheriff  
Robert Kunze, III**  
Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office  
End of Watch: Sunday, September 16, 2018

Age: 41  
Tour: 18 years  
Badge: D1584  
Cause: Gunfire  
Incident Date: 9/16/2018  
Weapon: Firearm

Deputy Sheriff Robert Kunze was shot and killed while investigating a suspicious person call in a rural area.

He arrived at the scene and made contact with a male subject in a stolen vehicle. During the encounter he and the subject exchanged shots and both were fatally shot.

Deputy Kunze had served with the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office for 12 years and had previously served with the Shawnee County Sheriff's Office for six years. He is survived by his wife and child.

## Officers Killed in the Line of Duty—State of Kansas

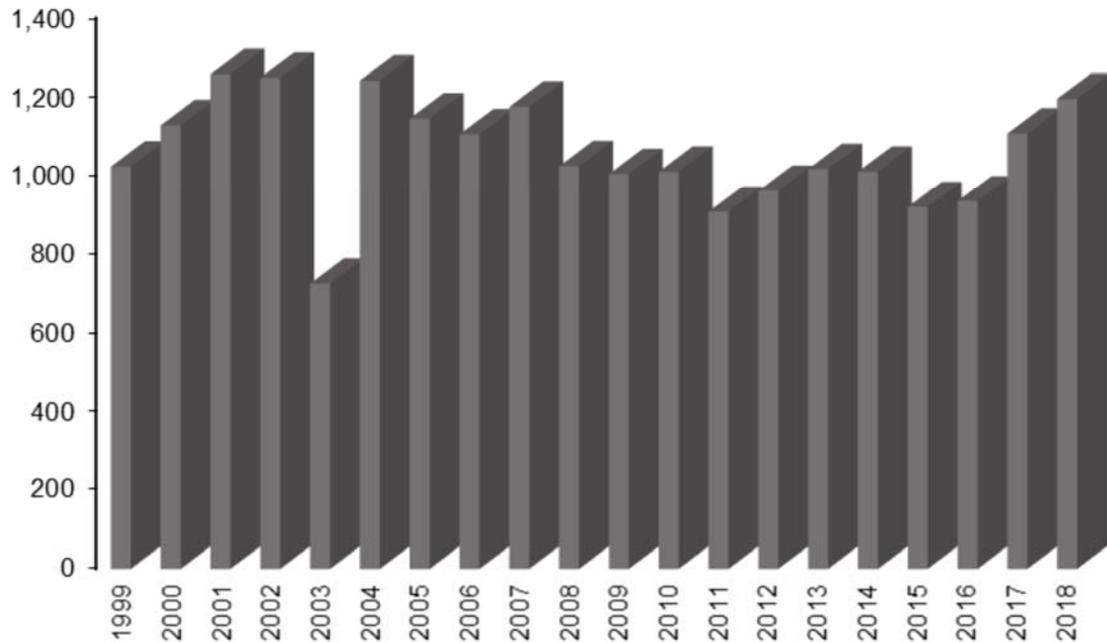
Year	Killed
1995	5
1996	1
1997	1
1998	2
1999	1
2000	4
2001	1
2002	0

Year	Killed
2003	1
2004	0
2005	2
2006	2
2007	1
2008	0
2009	1
2010	2

Year	Killed
2011	1
2012	2
2013	0
2014	1
2015	1
2016	3
2017	0
2018	3



## LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSAULTED TREND 1999-2018



Year	LEO	Percent
Reported	Assaults	Change
1999	1,023	11.7%
2000	1,128	10.3%
2001	1,257	11.4%
2002	1,248	-0.7%
2003	724	-42.0%
2004	1,241	71.4%
2005	1,145	-7.7%
2006	1,105	-3.5%
2007	1,175	6.3%
2008	1,024	-12.9%
2009	1,004	-2.0%
2010	1,010	0.6%
2011	907	-10.2%
2012	961	6.0%
2013	1,017	5.8%
2014	1,010	-0.7%
2015	919	-9.0%
2016	934	1.6%
2017	1,107	18.5%
2018	1,195	7.9%

- Assaults on law enforcement officers have remained relatively consistent since 1994.
- Anomalies in 2003 data appear to be the result of low numbers reported by Wichita PD. When using their average the total remains close to 1,000.

The data contained within this table reflect only the assaults submitted by local agencies through the Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted report.

## ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSIGNMENT BY CIRCUMSTANCE 2018

Circumstance	Two Person	One Person Vehicle		Detective		Other	
	Vehicle	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted
Disturbance	28	44	350	0	7	4	26
Burglary	2	0	18	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Other Arrest	6	18	60	1	8	5	24
Civil Disorder	0	3	4	2	0	0	0
Prisoners	5	21	18	0	1	14	36
Suspicious	6	29	79	1	12	3	2
Ambush	1	0	2	1	0	1	0
Mentally Disturbed	2	15	73	1	1	5	15
Traffic Stop	13	30	79	3	4	1	2
All Other	8	23	57	4	8	2	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>109</b>

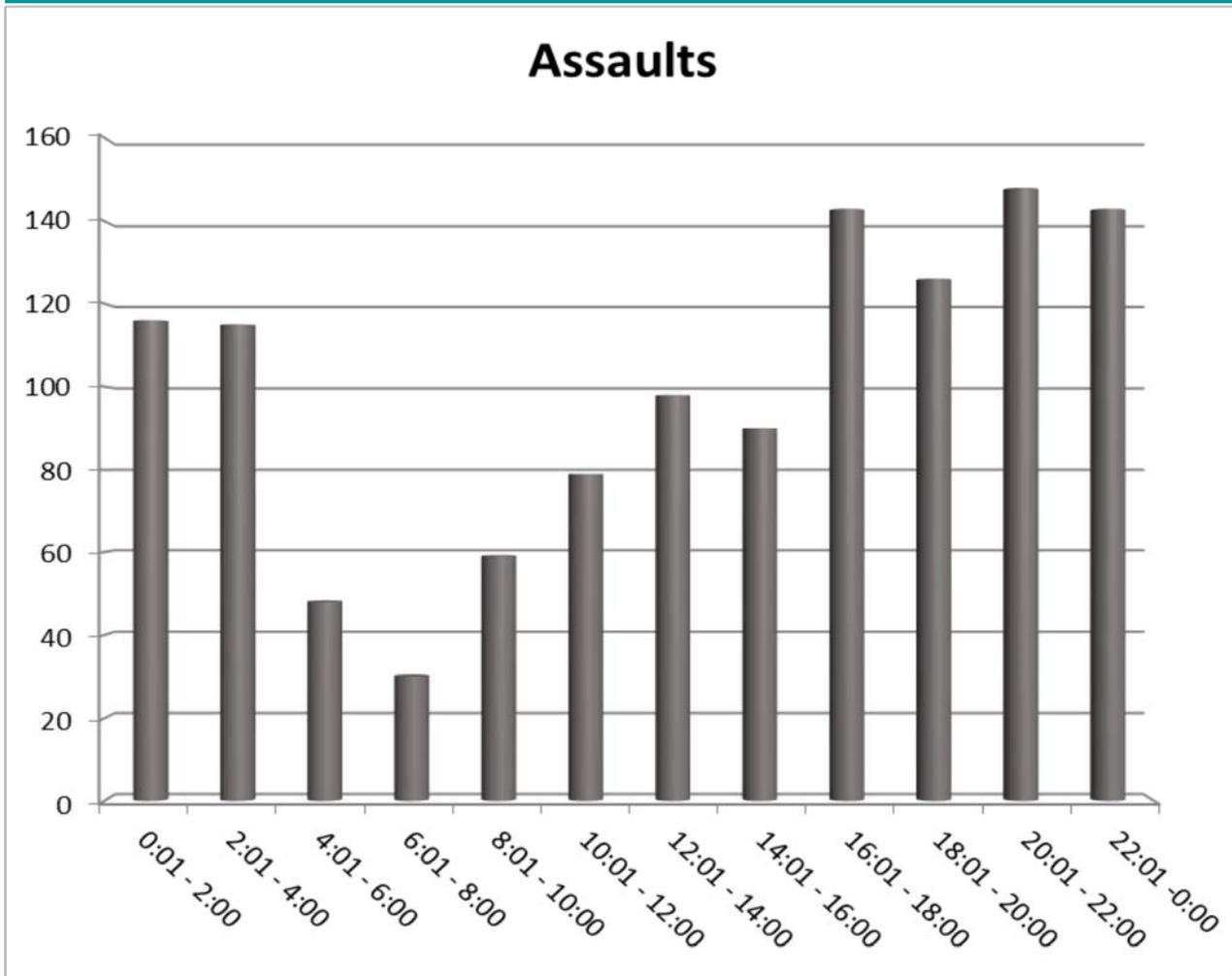
## ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSAULTS CLEARED 2018

Circumstance	Total	Assaults	Percent
	Assaults	Cleared	Cleared
Disturbance	459	441	96.1%
Burglary	20	18	90.0%
Robbery	3	3	100.0%
Other Arrest	122	110	90.2%
Civil Disorder	9	8	88.9%
Prisoners	95	71	74.7%
Suspicious	132	129	97.7%
Ambush	5	4	80.0%
Mentally Disturbed	112	100	89.3%
Traffic Stop	132	118	89.4%
All Other	106	103	97.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>92.5%</b>

Circumstance	2018	2017	2016
	Cleared	Cleared	Cleared
Disturbance	96.1%	93.9%	93.7%
Burglary	90.0%	88.2%	66.7%
Robbery	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Other Arrest	90.2%	92.8%	84.2%
Civil Disorder	88.9%	90.9%	71.4%
Prisoners	74.7%	69.1%	68.1%
Suspicious	97.7%	88.7%	91.7%
Ambush	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Mentally Disturbed	89.3%	96.2%	89.9%
Traffic Stop	89.4%	78.9%	72.4%
All Other	97.2%	83.5%	79.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>92.5%</b>	<b>88.8%</b>	<b>85.4%</b>

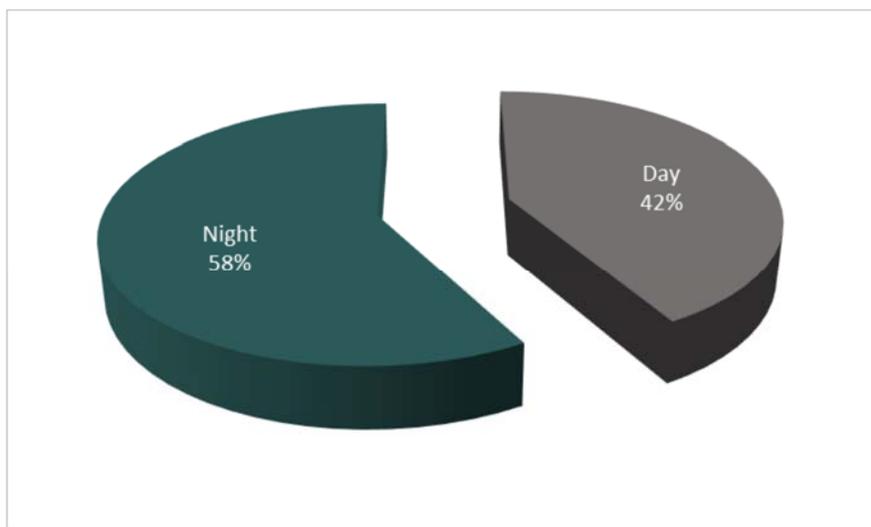
Law enforcement agencies can clear offenses by arrest or exceptional means (i.e., when they can identify the perpetrator but are unable to make an arrest due to circumstances beyond their control, such as the death or suicide of the subject).

# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TWENTY-FOUR HOUR TREND 2018



## Day vs. Night Assaults on Law Enforcement Officers

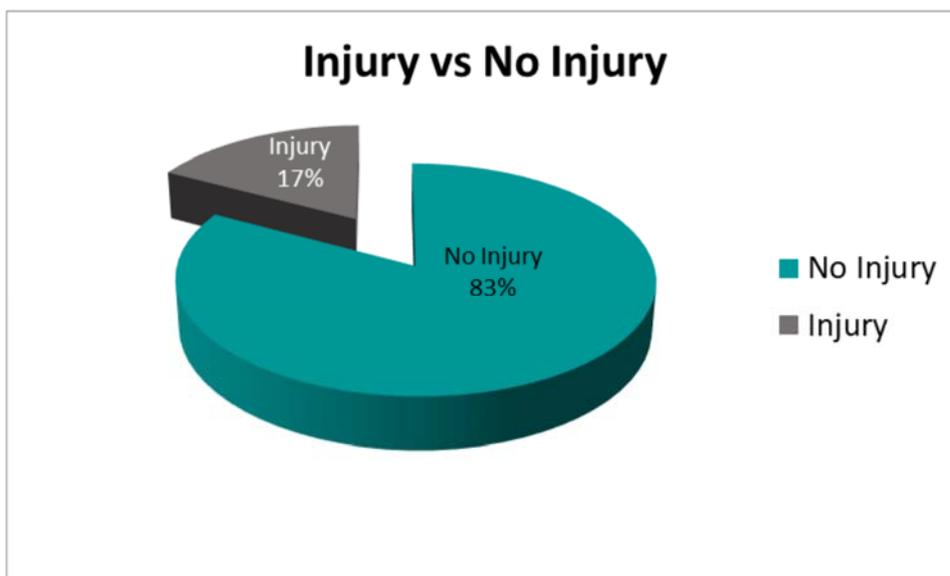
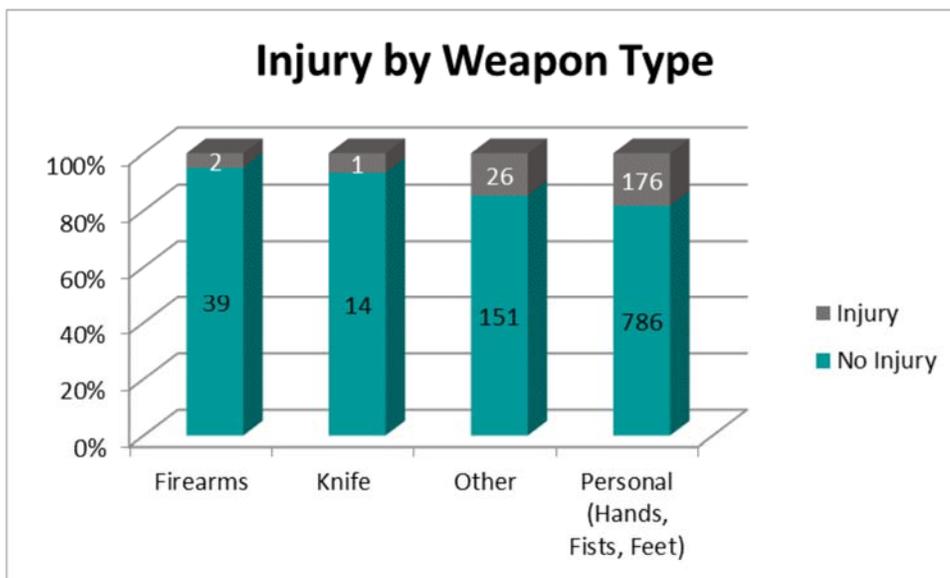
Time	Assaults
0:01-2:00	116
2:01-4:00	115
4:01-6:00	48
6:01-8:00	30
8:01-10:00	59
10:01-12:00	79
12:01-14:00	98
14:01-16:00	90
16:01-18:00	143
18:01-20:00	126
20:01-22:00	148
22:01-00:00	143
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,195</b>



Day = 06:01-18:00      Night= 18:01-06:00

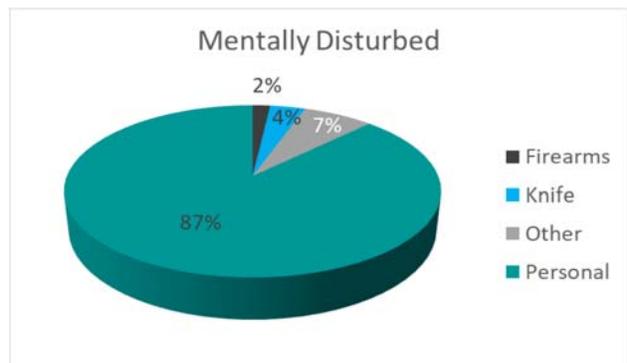
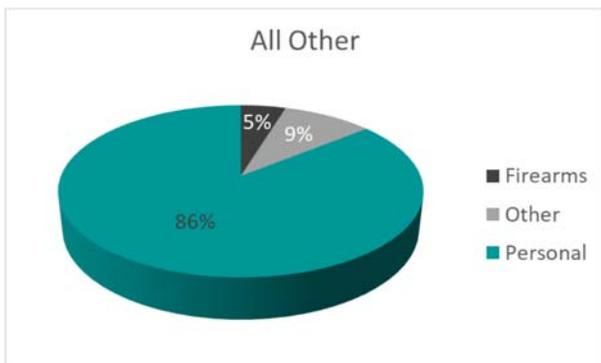
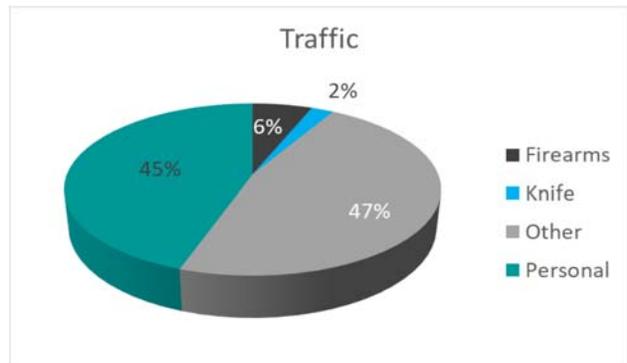
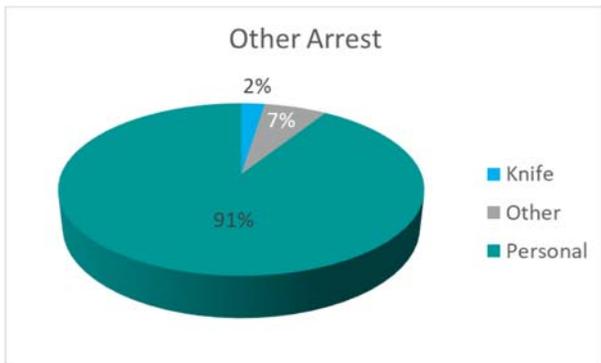
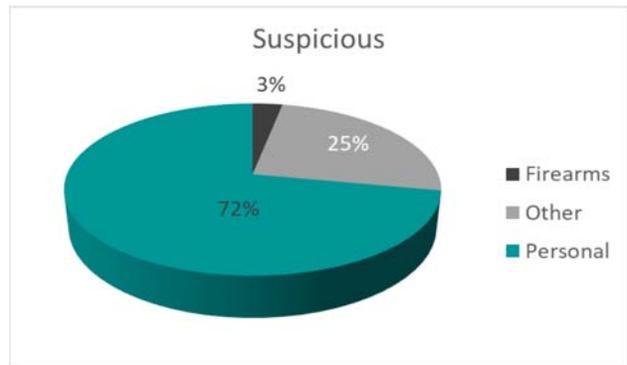
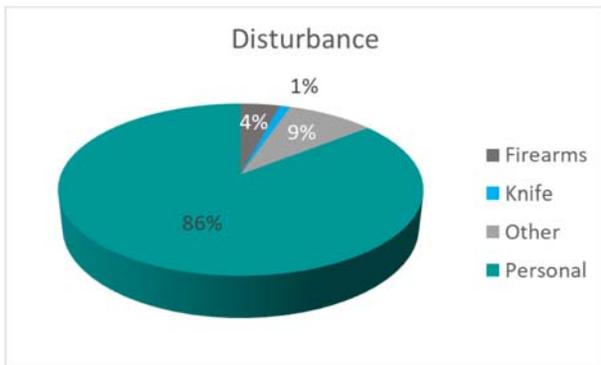
# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OCCURENCE OF INJURY BY WEAPON 2018

Weapon	Injury	No Injury	Total
Firearms	2	39	41
Knife	1	14	15
Other	26	151	177
Personal (Hands, Fist, Feet)	176	786	862
<b>Total</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,195</b>



# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WEAPON USE BY CIRCUMSTANCE 2018

Circumstance	Firearms	Knife	Other	Personal	Total
Disturbance	19	5	42	393	459
Burglary	0	0	3	17	20
Robbery	1	0	0	2	3
Other Arrest	0	3	8	111	122
Civil Disorder	0	0	1	8	9
Prisoners	0	0	13	82	95
Suspicious	4	0	33	95	132
Ambush	2	0	0	3	5
Mentally Disturbed	2	4	8	98	112
Traffic Stop	8	3	62	59	132
All Other	5	0	10	91	106
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>1,195</b>



# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WEAPON USE BY CIRCUMSTANCE (continued) 2018

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