

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

**Annual Report**



2014

**Kansas Bureau of Investigation**

# Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty 2014



## Corporal Jason E. Harwood

Topeka Police Department

End of Watch: Sunday, September 7, 2014

Age: 40  
 Tour: 15 years  
 Badge #: 339  
 Cause: Gunfire  
 Incident Date: 9/7/2014  
 Weapon: Handgun  
 Suspect: Apprehended

Corporal Jason Harwood was shot and killed while making a traffic stop in the 3200 block of SE Sixth Avenue at approximately 4:45 pm.

One of the vehicle's occupants opened fire during the traffic stop, fatally wounding Officer Harwood. The suspect believed to be the shooter turned himself in a short time later.

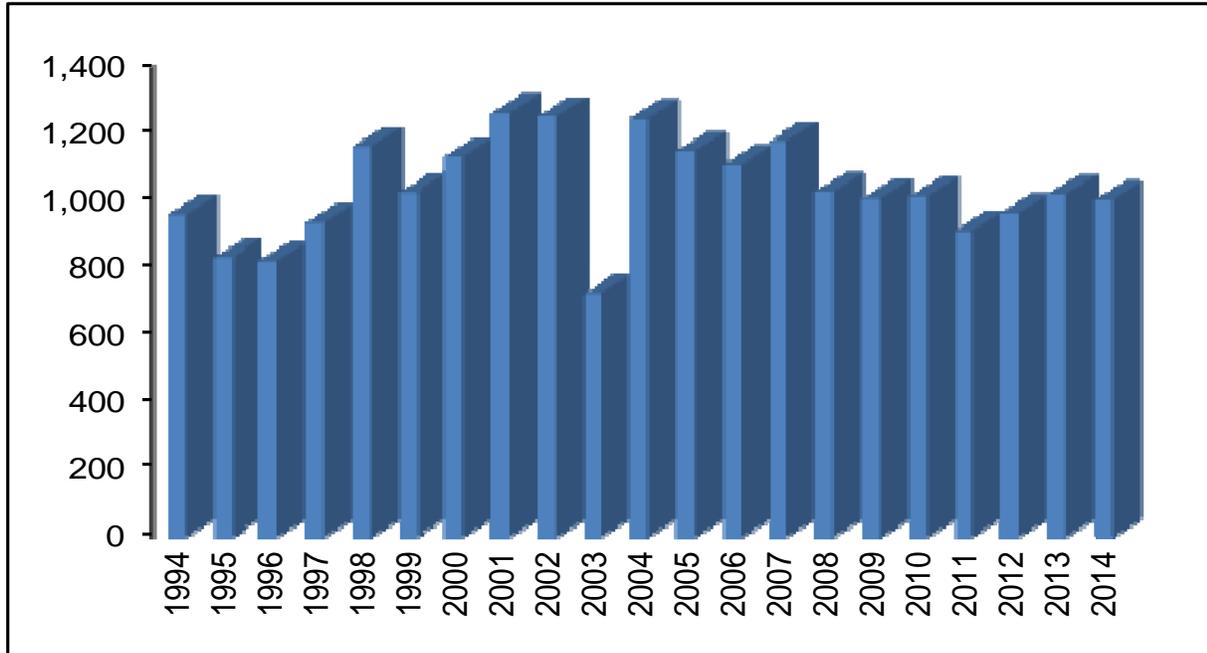
Corporal Harwood had served with the Topeka Police Department for 15 years. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and twin brother.

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

Year	Killed	Year	Killed	Year	Killed
1994	0	2001	1	2008	0
1995	5	2002	0	2009	1
1996	1	2003	1	2010	2
1997	1	2004	0	2011	1
1998	2	2005	2	2012	2
1999	1	2006	2	2013	0
2000	4	2007	1	2014	1



## LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSAULTED TREND 1994-2014



Year	LEO Reported Assaults	Percent of Change
1994	956	
1995	830	-13.2%
1996	819	-1.3%
1997	933	13.9%
1998	1,159	24.2%
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	964	6.3%
2013	1,017	5.5%
2014	1,001	-1.6%

- 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

**ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS  
ASSIGNMENT BY CIRCUMSTANCES  
ASSAULTS CLEARED  
2014**

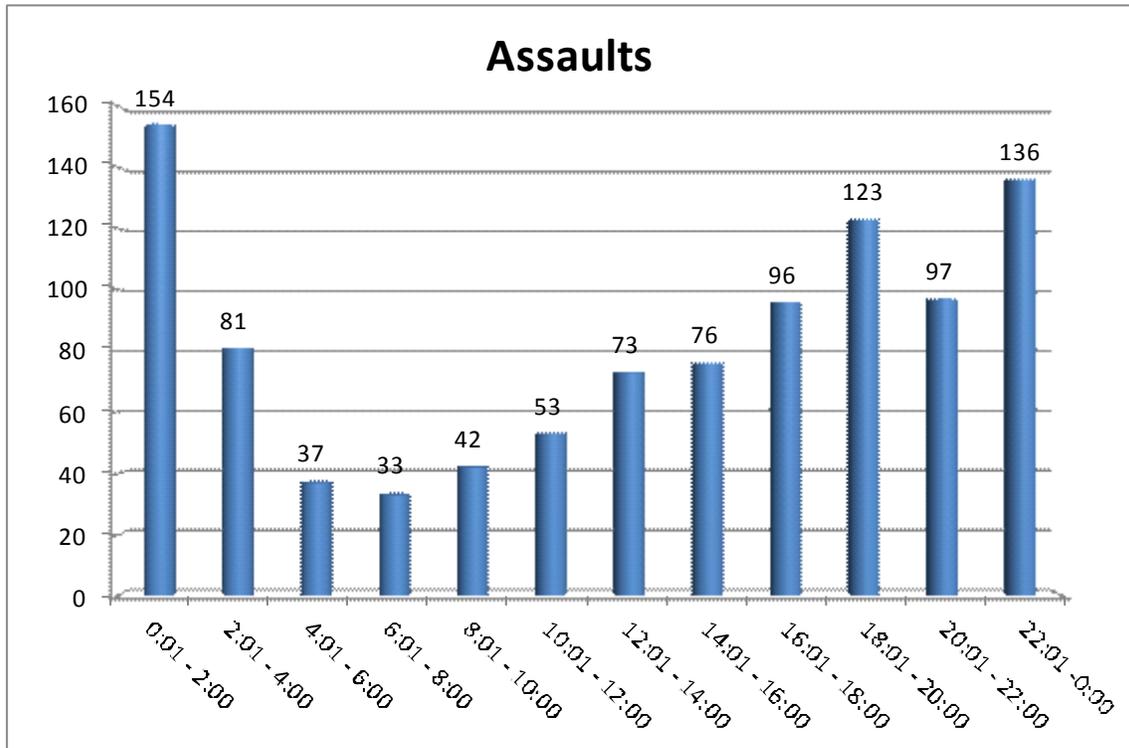
Circumstance	Two Person	One Person Vehicle		Detective		Other	
	Vehicle	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted	Alone	Assisted
Disturbance	16	83	307	2	1	2	13
Burglary	2	5	8	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Other Arrest	7	23	57	1	2	2	2
Civil Disorder	0	1	5	0	0	0	0
Prisoners	1	24	17	1	0	46	35
Suspicious	2	20	47	0	1	0	2
Ambush	0	1	7	0	0	0	0
Mentally Disturbed	4	12	33	0	0	0	12
Traffic Stop	9	44	51	0	0	1	1
All Other	5	31	39	1	2	2	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>74</b>

Circumstance	Total	Assaults	Percent
	Assaults	Cleared	Cleared
Disturbance	424	181	42.7%
Burglary	15	6	40.0%
Robbery	2	1	50.0%
Other Arrest	94	61	64.9%
Civil Disorder	6	6	100.0%
Prisoners	124	23	18.5%
Suspicious	72	30	41.7%
Ambush	8	3	37.5%
Mentally Disturbed	61	22	36.1%
Traffic Stop	106	50	47.2%
All Other	89	46	51.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1001</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>42.9%</b>

Circumstance	2014	2013	2012
	Cleared	Cleared	Cleared
Disturbance	42.7%	63.1%	54.8%
Burglary	40.0%	44.4%	50.0%
Robbery	50.0%	22.2%	0.0%
Other Arrest	64.9%	45.0%	41.1%
Civil Disorder	100.0%	66.7%	33.3%
Prisoners	18.5%	28.7%	23.1%
Suspicious	41.7%	47.1%	49.3%
Ambush	37.5%	0.0%	100.0%
Mentally Disturb	36.1%	46.5%	46.5%
Traffic Stop	47.2%	53.4%	36.9%
All Other	51.7%	77.5%	64.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.9%</b>	<b>53.1%</b>	<b>43.3%</b>

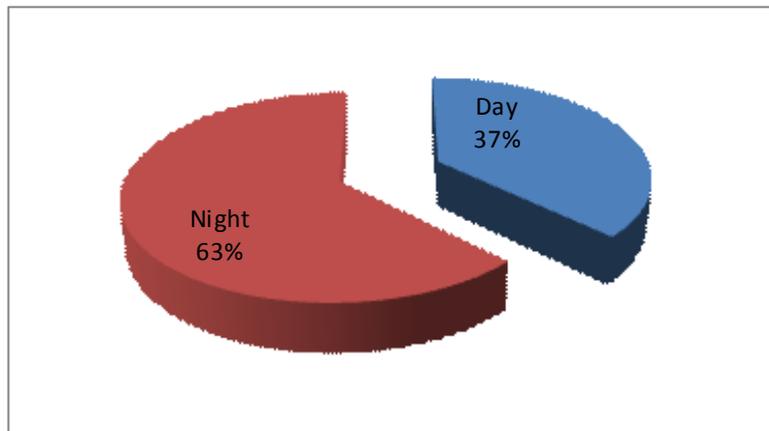
Law enforcement agencies can clear offenses by arrest or exceptional means (i.e., when they can identify the perpetrator but are unable to make an arrest due to circumstances beyond their control, such as the death or suicide of the subject).

# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TWENTY-FOUR HOUR TREND 2014



## Day vs. Night Assaults on Law Enforcement Officers

TIME	Assaults
0:01 - 2:00	154
2:01 - 4:00	81
4:01 - 6:00	37
6:01 - 8:00	33
8:01 - 10:00	42
10:01 - 12:00	53
12:01 - 14:00	73
14:01 - 16:00	76
16:01 - 18:00	96
18:01 - 20:00	123
20:01 - 22:00	97
22:01 - 0:00	136
<b>Total</b>	<b>1001</b>

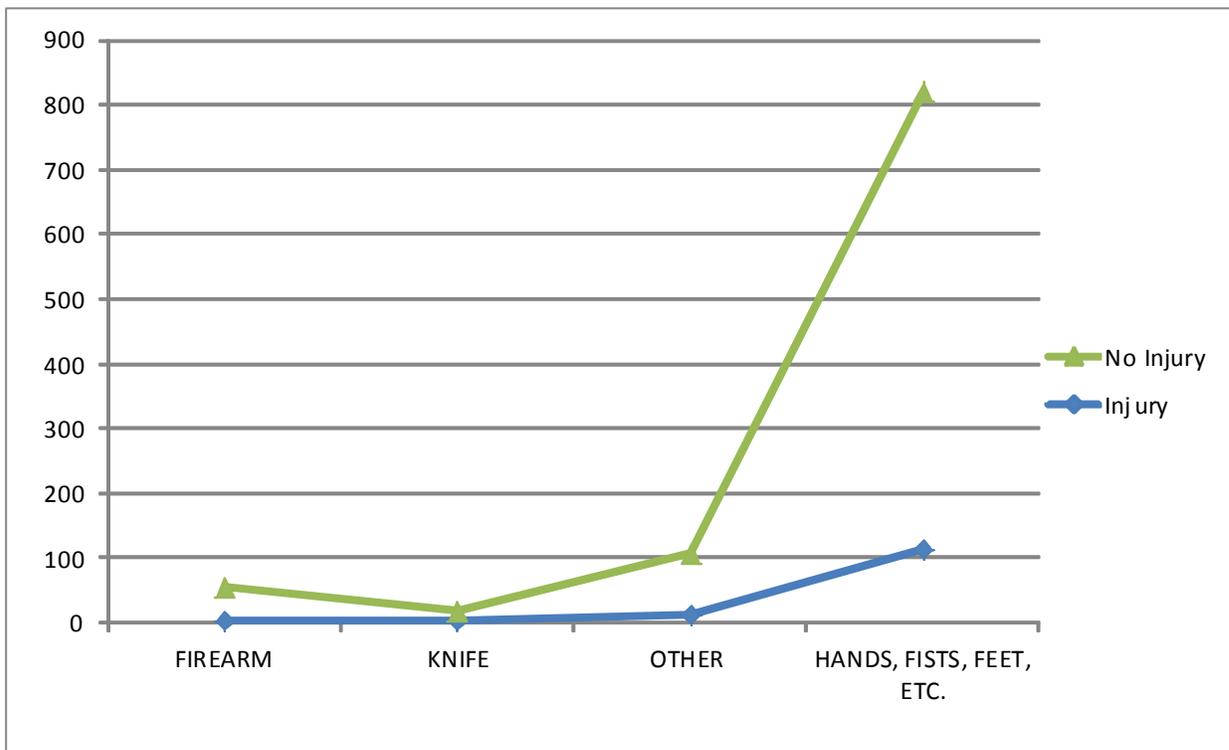


Day = 06:01-18:00

Night= 18:01-06:01

## ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OCCURENCE OF INJURY BY WEAPON 2014

Weapon	Injury	No Injury	Total
Firearms	3	52	55
Knife	2	17	19
Other	11	96	107
Personal (Hands, Fists, Feet)	114	706	820
Total	130	871	1001



# ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WEAPON USE BY CIRCUMSTANCES 2014

Circumstances	Firearms	Knife	Other	Personal	Total
Disturbance	28	11	21	364	424
Burglary	2	0	2	11	15
Robbery	1	0	1	0	2
Other Arrest	2	1	10	81	94
Civil Disorder	0	1	0	5	6
Prisoners	0	0	19	105	124
Suspicious	8	3	9	52	72
Ambush	1	0	0	7	8
Mentally Disturbed	0	3	4	54	61
Traffic Stop	5	0	26	75	106
All Other	8	0	13	68	89
<b>Totals</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>1001</b>

