

2014 ANNUAL REPORT

BRIDGEWATER POLICE SERVICE



Message From the Chair

On behalf of all of the members of the Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners, I offer congratulations to the Bridgewater Police Service on the occasion of the publication of this 2014 Annual Report.

In 2014, the Police Board continued to struggle with the problem of sustainability of service within an increasingly challenging economic environment. We are not alone in this struggle, as every police service in the province is facing the same challenges. To their great credit, the Bridgewater Police Service has been able to maintain the high level of service that the citizens of Bridgewater have come to expect without any great increase in costs.

The professional attitude toward the many and varied tasks that face a police service can, and should, be laid at the doors of the police leadership. Without strong, top down leadership, a police service would be hard put to perform at such a high level. Chief

John Collyer and Deputy Chief Scott Feener are to be commended for providing this leadership.

The Police Board saw a number of changes in membership in 2014. Commissioner Debra MacLean had to leave the Board, and was replaced by Palma Champoux. The Board also lost their longest serving member in Mayor David Walker. Mayor Walker has served the Bridgewater Police Service for many years and during that time has been involved in police governance not only at the municipal level but on the provincial and national levels as well. Bridgewater Town Councillor Jennifer McDonald replaced Mayor Walker on the Board. We also welcomed David Carey to the Board as the Department of Justice representative.

I would like to thank all members of the Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners for their hard work over the year and look forward to continuing that good work in 2015.



PATRICK D. CAPPELLO
Chair, Bridgewater Board
of Police Commissioners

The Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners operates under the authority of the Nova Scotia Police Act. The board provides the direction, guidance, governance, and oversight required to maintain an adequate, effective, and efficient police department.

The board consists of seven volunteers who represent the public's interests at regular monthly meetings. Membership of the board includes three of the town's councillors, three citizens of the town, and one member appointed by the Justice Minister.

2014 Bridgewater Police Board Commissioners

Chair	Patrick D. Cappello
Ex-Officio	Mayor David Walker
DOJ Appointee	David Carey
Commissioners	Palma Champoux Councillor Jennifer MacDonald Deputy Mayor Bill McInnis Virginia Oickle Councillor Wayne Thorburne
Board Secretary	CAO Ken Smith
Recording Secretary	Patty Sleep



JOHN COLLYER
Chief, Bridgewater
Police Service



I am pleased to present the Bridgewater Police Service's 2014 Annual Report to the community. This year's report focuses on the great work our uniformed patrol members do on a daily basis. These men and women are the most visible component of our public safety system and the ones you are most likely to have contact with on a day to day basis.

In previous reports, we have highlighted the importance of community collaboration to our operations. This one will be no different, as 2014 saw significant change in how we do business—particularly in regards to improving services to some of the most vulnerable members of our community. Whether someone is a survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, or is dealing with a mental health crisis or an addiction, we are changing how we respond with the help of our community partners.

Technological change is a constant in the twenty-first century; and in 2014, the Bridgewater Police Service took further steps to stay abreast of this national trend. Our members have been given a number of tools to assist in their duties: a LiveScan digital fingerprinting machine, an Intoxylizer® breath alcohol measuring instrument, the latest version of the Trunked Mobile Radio System (TMRS), and new and improved electronic servers for data storage.

Our commitment to our community is to deliver the highest level of service possible while being fiscally responsible with your tax dollars. I believe we have delivered on this commitment as once again, we have come in under our projected 2014-2015 budget while at the same time, improving our level of service.

I want to thank our community partners, without whom we would have great difficulty in keeping our community healthy and safe. The new levels of community engagement are exciting, and I believe will start paying huge dividends in the near future.

2014 BRIDGEWATER

“The mission of the Bridgewater Police Service is to provide and promote a safe community by quality police service.”

Sworn Officers

Chief John Collyer
Deputy Chief Scott Feener
Sergeant Jerome Richard (Support NCO Officer)
Sergeant Ward Beck
Sergeant Terry Brekker
Sergeant Dave Ramey
Acting Sergeant Danny MacPhee
* Constable Paul Rogers (School Safety Resource Officer)
Constable Angela Wareham (CRU)
Constable Morgan Gibson (CRU)
Constable William Creamer
Constable Stephen Shipley
Constable James Dearing
Constable Troy Vanderlinden
Constable Alexander Sparrow
Constable Shannon Bartlett
Constable Jennifer Mason (CRU)
Constable Derek Childs
Constable Deven Kennedy
Constable Asif Khan (CRU)
Detective Sergeant Trevor Mitchell (SCEU)
* Detective Constable Matthew Bennett (GIS)
* Detective Constable Sara Bennett (CISNS)

Civilian Members

Patty Sleep, Executive Assistant
Toni Swim, Operational Secretary
Communication Technicians:
Paula Cardinell
Dannie Seaman
Susan LeBlanc
Peter Hopkins
Laurie Caron
Dennis Swift (.15 FTE)
South Shore Safe Communities:
Beth George, Seniors Safety Coordinator *
Alicia Van de Sande, Seniors Safety Coordinator *
Kathie MacDonnell, Departmental Clerk (.2 FTE)
Evan Newton, IT Specialist (.5 FTE)
Debbie Wamboldt, Custodian

Auxiliary Members

Auxiliary Sergeant Creig Veinot
Chaplain Paul Jensen (Honorary Inspector)
Auxiliary Constable Kevin Clayton
Auxiliary Constable Sherry Veinot (Victim Services Volunteer)
Auxiliary Constable Patricia Mount (Victim Services Volunteer)
Auxiliary Constable Christine Eden (Victim Services Volunteer)
Auxiliary Constable Scott Norwood
Auxiliary Constable Lacey Robar
Auxiliary Constable Adam Ross
Auxiliary Constable Andrew Caines
Auxiliary Constable Kerry Seamone

** Denotes that these officers and civilians work with BPS, but are paid by the province or through grants.*

Abbreviations: GIS = General Investigative Services; SCEU = South Shore Street Crime Enforcement Unit;
CISNS = Criminal Investigative Services Nova Scotia; CRU = Community Response Unit

POLICE SERVICE

Personnel Changes

Cst. Paul Rogers was selected to become the new School Safety Resource Officer, starting in this new role on October 24, 2014. This provincially funded position is responsible for providing policing, crime prevention, and health programming to schools within the Town of Bridgewater.

Also in October, Cst. Shawn Himmelman resigned from BPS after accepting a position with the RCMP. His resignation allows Cst. Deven Kennedy to move into a full-time constable position.

Cst. Asif (AJ) Khan commenced his employment with BPS on November 26, 2014. Cst. Khan grew up in the Annapolis Valley and served with the Canadian Forces as a fire fighter, stationed in Greenwood, Nova Scotia, from 2008 to 2012. He then joined the RCMP and was stationed in Chetwynd, B.C. for two years before returning to Nova Scotia to join Bridgewater Police Service. He is married and has two children.

After more than 35 years of service as a police officer, Sgt. Al Cunningham retired from Bridgewater Police Service in December 2014. He began his policing career in Annapolis Royal in 1978, transferring to Bridgewater the following year. After several years successful stint on general patrol, he helped establish a plainclothes section of the service. At the time of his retirement, he held the rank of Detective Sergeant and was supervising the General Investigative Services.



Remembrance



Moncton Funeral

On June 10, 2014, eleven Bridgewater Police Service members were among the thousands of people from across Canada attending funeral services for slain RCMP constables Fabrice Georges Gevaudan, Douglas James Larche, and Dave Joseph at the Moncton Coliseum. Over 2,700 members of the RCMP and municipal police forces, as well as correctional officers and U.S. border patrol officers, were among those who marched to the Coliseum to honour their fallen comrades.

Remembrance Day

Following the tragic deaths of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo in Ottawa and Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent in St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, the Remembrance Day parade and ceremony was very moving for our community in 2014. Bridgewater Police Service did not take part in the parade, for security reasons. Instead, members remained on duty and provided security in their regular uniforms at the Legion and cenotaph. Twenty additional members attended the ceremony at the war memorial, while Cst. Jennifer Mason stood sentinel.



National Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims

On November 29, 2014, Chaplain Paul Jensen led Bridgewater Police Service's commemorative ceremony to remember the victims of road crashes in front of the police station. This was the second observance of the National Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims by the South Shore Safe Communities Road Safety Committee, BPS, and other local emergency services providers.

The ceremony is a time to remember and honour the victims and their families. It is also a time to remind all Nova Scotians to think about their driving habits – reminding them to slow down, put down their gadgets, and keep their eyes on the road. It is commemorated the third Wednesday each November.

Between 2009 and 2013, 369 people were killed in motor vehicle crashes in Nova Scotia. At the time of the ceremony, there already had been 47 fatalities on Nova Scotia roads in 2014.

SUMMARY AND HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Overall, crime in Bridgewater continued to decline. However, crimes against persons saw an increase from 129 occurrences (2013) to 138 (2014). The good news is that more of these crimes were solved. Clearance rates for crimes against persons increased from 89.1% in 2013 to 92.8% in 2014.
- ❖ The most frequent criminal code offence committed in 2014 was theft under \$5,000, with 178 occurrences reported.
- ❖ There was a significant increase in traffic offences in 2014, up over 27% from 2013. Traffic collisions increased by nearly 15% over last year.
- ❖ The Auxiliary Officer program was expanded in 2014. The five new Auxiliary members graduated in May and began working with General Patrol as supplemental support. Throughout 2014, Auxiliary members worked more than 1,000 volunteer hours.
- ❖ Bridgewater Police Service now has one of the Town of Bridgewater's IT Specialists, Evan Newton, working out of our office. This arrangement has enhanced the level of technology support for the police service.
- ❖ General Patrol employs sixteen constables, who are the first and primary responders to calls for service. In 2014, BPS recorded 4,472 calls for service, as well as 771 street checks, which are self-generated occurrences.
- ❖ The net cost of policing from April 2014 to March 2015 (fiscal year) was \$3,509,985.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- 1: Develop and implement crime prevention programs to raise awareness and increase engagement with youth, seniors, and businesses**
- 2: Deliver service that meets community expectations**
- 3: Enhance services to improve performance and safety**



GOAL 1

Develop and implement crime prevention programs to raise awareness and increase engagement with youth, seniors, and businesses

Kids 'N' Kops

The Kids 'n' Kops week-long summer camp is hosted by Bridgewater Police Service, in partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Lunenburg RCMP. The program is intended to give youth new challenges, to interact with police in a positive environment, and to experience the benefits of community service. The camp also helps police officers better understand the challenges many of the youth face in their day-to-day lives.

Two separate camps took place in July and August for 24 youth involved in the Big Brothers and Big Sister's (BBBS) In-school Mentoring Program. Three police cadets from the Atlantic Police College also participated in the program.





Seniors Safety Program

BPS is a partner in Lunenburg County's Seniors Safety Program, a project of South Shore Safe Communities. In 2014, the program expanded to full-time with funding support from all the municipalities in Lunenburg County, the United Way, and the Lunenburg County Community Health Board.

In November 2014, Alicia Van de Sande joined the program as part-time Seniors Safety Coordinator, sharing duties with Beth George. The program now operates full-time providing service to seniors throughout the county.

An advisory board comprising councillors from all the municipal units, BPS, RCMP, and South Shore Safe Communities oversees the program.



Chamber of Commerce & Rotary Club

To develop a closer working relationship with local businesses, BPS joined the Bridgewater and Area Chamber of Commerce in 2013. By attending Chamber functions, Chief Collyer has an opportunity to hear directly from the business community about issues important to them, and can address police-related concerns with business owners directly. The Chamber disseminates information on behalf of the police to all its members regarding current frauds, counterfeiting schemes, and scams.

In August, Chief Collyer presented BPS's 2013 Annual Report to the Bridgewater and Area Rotary Club. He also presented the report to a public "town hall" meeting hosted by the Bridgewater and Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a dark blue rounded rectangular background.

Social Media

Bridgewater Police Service continues to use social media as an efficient way to communicate directly and quickly with its partners, news agencies, and the public. Since joining Twitter in 2013, BPS has posted 3,733 tweets and retweets, and its followers now number over 2,100, up from 1,200 the previous year. In addition, over 3,600 people are now subscribed to the BPS Facebook page, an increase of more than 1,500 from last year.

The Bridgewater Police Service's Facebook page and Twitter feed are used to quickly update the public on emergencies, in-progress incidents, and traffic disruptions. They are also used to share education and information links, and to advise the public about upcoming BPS events.

National Prescription Drug Drop-off Day

On May 10, 2014, Bridgewater Police Service participated in National Prescription Drug Drop-Off Day. BPS worked with Lunenburg County RCMP, South Shore Health, Addiction Services, Mental Health Services, and local pharmacists to collect, identify, and destroy unused medications. The program highlights the dangers of leaving unused and expired medication at home, and encourages citizens to dispose of their medications safely. By doing so, citizens help prevent dangerous drugs from ending up on the street and being misused.

Close to 6,000 pills were turned in for disposal, 700 of which were narcotics commonly abused on the streets.





211 Nova Scotia

211 provides information and makes referrals regarding community and social services. It is available across the province on a 24/7 basis, and is free to use. Since its launch in February 2013, 211 has been accessed by thousands of Nova Scotians.

A new partnership between 211 and the Nova Scotia Chiefs of Police Association (NSCPA) was formed in 2014 to help connect citizens to essential social services. Bridgewater Police Service is part of this initiative. Like other police services across Nova Scotia, BPS receives calls from the public asking them to intervene in cases involving homelessness, drug addiction, or mental illness. In order to help connect people in distress with the social services that can best assist them, BPS officers can now refer people to 211 as appropriate.

Patrol

All sworn members of the Bridgewater Police Service start their policing careers in Patrol. The Patrol section comprises four general Patrol teams of three members each, and two Community Response Units of two members each. Collectively, they are the first responders to calls for service, investigating breaches of municipal, provincial, and federal laws.

Throughout the year, our Patrol members walk the downtown core, bicycle along the Centennial Trail, and drive through the streets in patrol cars. These men and women are the core of our service, and their highly visible presence in town is an essential crime prevention tool.





LiveScan Fingerprinting

LiveScan fingerprinting is an identification tool that increases the ability of police to identify individuals in a timely manner. LiveScan fingerprinting is inkless; it captures the fingerprint digitally on a computer. The prints are then submitted electronically to the Canadian Real Time Identification Services operated by the RCMP. Submitting paper and ink fingerprints can take anywhere from 22 weeks to 18 months to process, but LiveScan is almost instantaneous, which greatly aids police in the identification of suspects during investigations.

Bridgewater Police Service purchased a LiveScan fingerprinting device that went into service in July 2014.



Speed Ranger Trailer

As a result of a successful grant application submitted to the Provincial Road Safety Advisory Committee, South Shore Safe Communities' Road Safety Committee was awarded \$15,000 to purchase a Speed Ranger Trailer for use by BPS and RCMP.

The Speed Ranger Trailer is a mobile radar installation that tracks and displays the speed of passing motorists. It is a popular traffic calming measure used throughout Europe and North America. Studies have shown that drivers slow down by an average of 10% for several kilometres after passing one. Placed in problem areas, they can also provide police and traffic authorities with important data about speed patterns. For BPS, this means more effective use of manpower for road safety enforcement.



ENFORCEMENT REPORTS

GIS (General Investigation Services)

GIS (General Investigation Services) is a special unit comprised of two plainclothes officers, one constable, and one sergeant, who investigate major crimes committed in Bridgewater. These include robberies, major frauds, sudden deaths, and drug operations.

In 2014, GIS undertook a number of significant investigations. Among them were two cases involving distribution of child pornography over the Internet, a violent sexual assault, the suspicious death of an older female, theft of \$50,000 from a local business, a multiple vehicle collision on King Street, an ATM robbery, and several marijuana grow operations.



SCEU (Street Crime Enforcement Unit)

The South Shore Street Crime Enforcement Unit was established in 2007 to address low to mid-level drug trafficking, monitor Condition Sentence Orders (CSO) compliance, and assist with other major investigations. The unit comprises two RCMP officers and one Bridgewater Police Service sergeant.

As in previous years, SCEU worked hard in 2014 to keep drugs off the streets of Bridgewater and other communities in Lunenburg County. The unit executed ten criminal code warrants and 17 controlled drug warrants, and laid 47 charges in relation to their investigations. They also seized illegal drugs with an estimated street value of nearly \$200,000, as well as over a dozen weapons.



BYLAW/AUXILIARY REPORTS



Bylaw Enforcement

In January 2014, Commissionaire Stewart Martin took over bylaw and parking enforcement and quickly began improving the program. His upgrades included a new recordkeeping system, a parking meter map and database, maintenance and inspection enhancements, and a dog registry database.

Halfway through 2014, Commissionaire Martin took over parking enforcement for Park View Education Centre. After parking compliance improved dramatically at the school, parking enforcement was handed back to police.

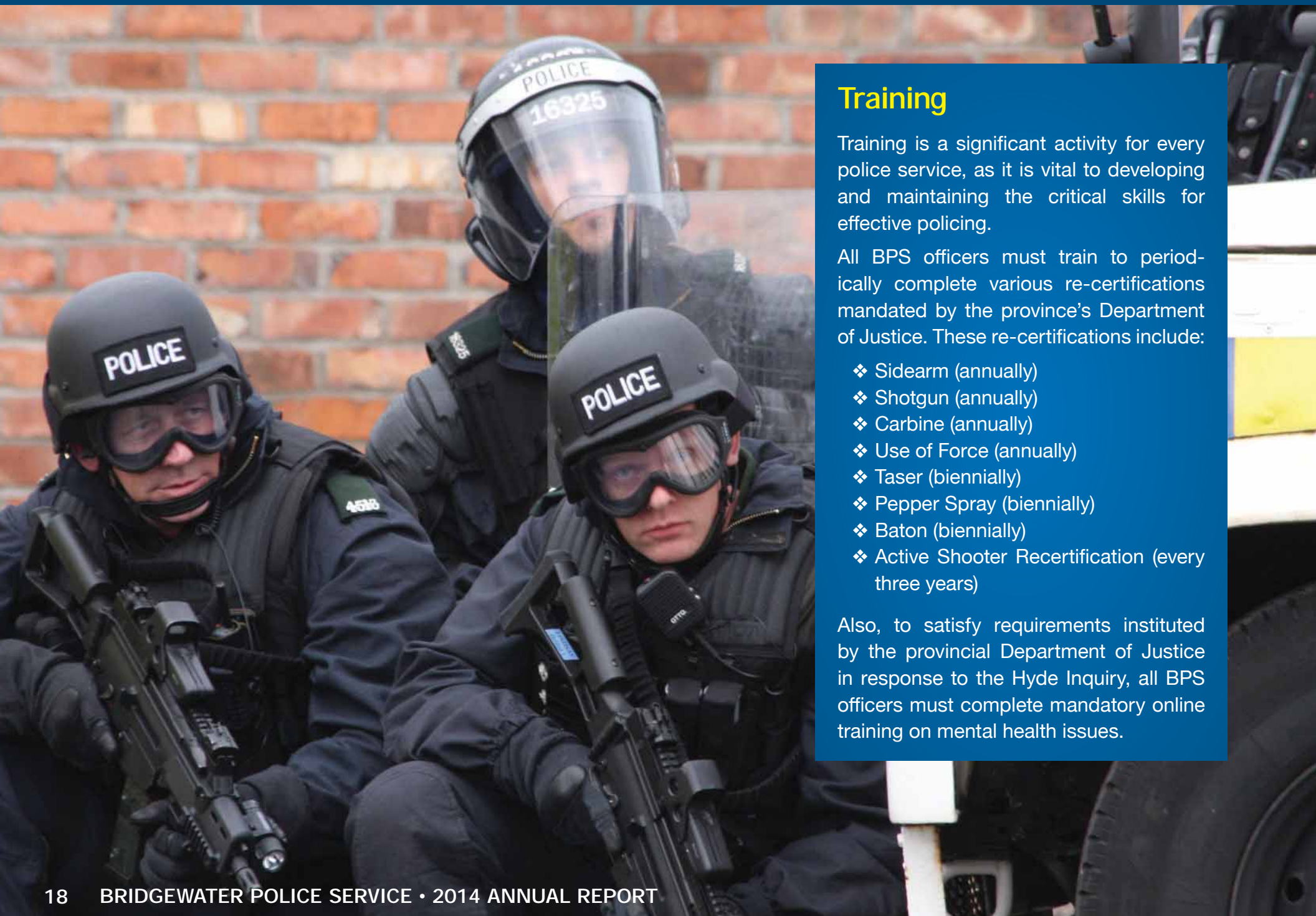
In 2014, the parking and bylaw enforcement program issued 1,733 tickets.



Auxiliary Officer Program

The auxiliary officer program completed its first full year of operation in 2014. Auxiliary constables and the K-9 unit were on duty at special events, such as parades, and also did regular drive alongs with BPS general patrol officers. Three auxiliary members worked in Victim Services. All auxiliary officers attended training throughout the year as well. In total, auxiliary members worked 1,081 hours in 2014.

TRAINING



Training

Training is a significant activity for every police service, as it is vital to developing and maintaining the critical skills for effective policing.

All BPS officers must train to periodically complete various re-certifications mandated by the province's Department of Justice. These re-certifications include:

- ❖ Sidearm (annually)
- ❖ Shotgun (annually)
- ❖ Carbine (annually)
- ❖ Use of Force (annually)
- ❖ Taser (biennially)
- ❖ Pepper Spray (biennially)
- ❖ Baton (biennially)
- ❖ Active Shooter Recertification (every three years)

Also, to satisfy requirements instituted by the provincial Department of Justice in response to the Hyde Inquiry, all BPS officers must complete mandatory online training on mental health issues.

EDUCATION

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In order to maintain the high quality of our criminal and drug investigations, BPS officers completed a number of specialized training programs and courses in 2014, including:

- ❖ Interview and Interrogation Course (RCMP)
- ❖ Law (Documentation) Workshop (Stewart/McKelvey)
- ❖ E-disclosures
- ❖ Sudden Death Investigation (NS Medical Examiner)
- ❖ CPIC Maintenance
- ❖ Search Warrant Writing (RCMP)
- ❖ Standard Field Sobriety Testing Course (RCMP)
- ❖ Recognizing Emotionally Disturbed Persons (online CPKN)
- ❖ Youth Criminal Justice Act (online CPKN)
- ❖ CPR/First Aid/AED re-certification
- ❖ ECR2 (Intoxilyzer) Conversion Course (PEI)
- ❖ Mental Health Training (BPS/Mental Health and Addictions Services)
- ❖ Armorer's Course (Halifax Regional Police)
- ❖ FOIPOP Training (Department of Justice)
- ❖ Initial Critical Incident Response
- ❖ Major Crime Investigation (Canadian Police College)
- ❖ Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs
- ❖ Forensic Interviewing and Interrogation (Halifax Regional Police)
- ❖ Respectful Workplace (Town of Bridgewater)
- ❖ Drug Recognition Evaluation Course (Phoenix Arizona)
- ❖ Cyber-crime Training (RCMP Tech Crime Unit)
- ❖ Use of Force Instructor Training (Atlantic Police Association)
- ❖ Carbine Instructor Course (APA)
- ❖ Basic Firearms Instructors Course (APA)
- ❖ Trauma Informed Sexual Assault Investigations
- ❖ Suicide Intervention Training
- ❖ Supervision Level II Course (APA)

In addition to training, various members also attended a number of conferences and symposia, including:

- ❖ National Police Chaplain's Conference (St. John, NB)
- ❖ Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACCP) National Conference
- ❖ CACP National Mental Health & Well-being for Law Enforcement Personnel
- ❖ NSCPA/NSAPB Spring and Fall Conferences
- ❖ Atlantic Police Association Annual Conference

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Lunenburg and Queens Community Hub



The Lunenburg and Queens Community Hub improves public safety by coordinating the provision of health-related services among government and private agencies along the South Shore. The Hub provides effective supports to people of diverse backgrounds, especially those who are marginalized. Bridgewater Police Service is one of fifteen government organizations and private agencies comprising the Lunenburg and Queens Community Hub.

Safe Communities South Shore



BPS partners with South Shore Safe Communities on several different working groups including the Road Safety Committee, Seniors Safety Program Advisory Committee, and the Community Dispute Resolution Committee. The Road Safety Committee was instrumental in obtaining the Speed Ranger Trailer, participated in the annual Red Ribbon campaign, and sponsored child safety car seat clinics. To learn more about South Shore Safe Communities, visit southshore.safecommunities.parachutecanada.org.

MOSAIC Network



Launched in 2012, the MOSAIC Network helps family caregivers and professional care providers to assist seniors who suffer

from dementia or other serious mental illnesses. BPS is a founding member of the MOSAIC Network and works closely with community partners to ensure seniors' needs are safely and compassionately addressed. To learn more about the MOSAIC Network, visit www.mosaicnetwork.ca.

Municipal Alcohol Project

The Municipal Alcohol Project (MAP) exposes and addresses the harms resulting from alcohol use in Lunenburg County. Originally a Town of Bridgewater initiative, the MAP expanded in 2014 and now includes all of Lunenburg County. The MAP now comprises BPS, the Town of Bridgewater, the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, South Shore Health, South Shore Regional School Board, Nova Scotia Community College, the RCMP, Lunenburg County Fire Services, and EHS.

**MUNICIPAL
ALCOHOL
PROJECT**

Be The Peace...Make A Change



BPS Chief John Collyer is an active member of the Be the Peace...Make a Change project, a community-based initiative working to reduce relationship violence against women and girls in Lunenburg County. Second Story Women's Centre is the sponsor organization for the project, which operates until 2015 under a three-year

grant from Status of Women Canada. To learn more about Be the Peace...Make a Change, visit www.bethepeace.ca.

Community Dispute Resolution Centre

The South Shore Community Dispute Resolution Centre (CDRC) is a working group of South Shore Safe Communities. It partners with BPS, the South Shore Community Justice Society, the RCMP, Harbour House, and Second Story Women's Centre. The group provides mediation and education services via volunteer mediators trained in restorative approaches. The CDRC helps peacefully resolve conflicts between family members, neighbours, and community members.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Food Bank Challenge

On December 6, 2014, Bridgewater Police Service teamed up with the RCMP and local EHS paramedics to collect food for the seventh annual Great Haul-A-Day food drive on behalf of the Bridgewater Inter-church Food Bank. Leading up to the big event, the public was invited to donate food at the RCMP detachment in Cookville, EHS headquarters on North Street, or Bridgewater Police Service on Exhibition Drive. Then on the Great Haul-A-Day, all three services gathered at Bridgewater's Atlantic Superstore to try to fill a 14-foot trailer. In 2014, the food bank provided food and other items to 6,624 individuals and spent over \$7,000 on milk coupons.



Police Chase for Special Olympics

Police Chase is an annual fundraising event for the Law Enforcement Torch Run in support of Special Olympics Nova Scotia. In this light-hearted road race, members of the public get to “race” to catch up with police officers (both RCMP and municipal police) who have been paired with Special Olympians and given a head start.

2014 was the first year in which the Bridgewater Police Service participated in this fundraiser run.



Operation Christmas

On November 25, 2014, Sgt. Richard and Cst. Kennedy visited Annapolis Royal to attend the kickoff of Operation Christmas, a province-wide initiative that strives to reduce impaired driving during the holiday season through the use of checkpoints. Sgt. Richard and Cst. Kennedy were joined by representatives from the Annapolis Royal Regional Police, RCMP, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), and other municipal police services. At the kickoff event, police set up information checkpoints with MADD representatives, and handed out educational information, calendars, and the signature red ribbon to motorists.



Photo courtesy Lawrence Powell/TC Media

BRIDGEWATER POLICE SERVICE

2014-2015 Revenues and Expenses

Fiscal Year:
April 1, 2014
to
March 31, 2015

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	UNDER/OVER BUDGETED
REVENUES			
Police Grants	\$311,394.00	\$284,202.00	-8.7%
Police Fees for Service	\$7,000.00	\$6,500.00	-7.1%
Own Sources - Policing	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	-40.0%
Fines	\$110,000.00	\$89,500.00	-18.6%
Community Fundraising	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	50.0%
Other Police Revenue	\$3,000.00	\$9,500.00	216.7%
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$442,394.00	\$397,202.00	-10.2%
EXPENSES			
Police Commission	\$42,500.00	\$34,000.00	-20.0%
Administration	\$387,947.00	\$394,656.00	1.7%
Crime Investigation	\$2,659,002.00	\$2,563,109.00	-3.6%
Training	\$41,200.00	\$39,256.00	-4.7%
Police Station Expenditures	\$328,063.00	\$319,937.00	-2.5%
Police Auto Equipment	\$124,500.00	\$116,926.00	-6.1%
Detention and Custody	\$80,000.00	\$68,000.00	-15.0%
Law Enforcement	\$125,894.00	\$124,473.00	-1.1%
Crossing Guards	\$25,146.00	\$25,749.00	2.4%
Other	\$212,081.00	\$221,081.00	4.2%
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$4,026,333.00	\$3,907,187.00	-3.0%

2014-2015 FINANCIAL REPORT

2013-2014 (Previous year financials)

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	UNDER/OVER BUDGETED
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$3,861,883.00	\$3,796,746.70	-1.7%
- TOTAL REVENUES:	\$449,136.00	\$430,904.61	-4.1%
= NET EXPENSES:	\$3,412,747.00	\$3,365,842.09	-1.4%

2014-2015 Financials Fiscal Year: April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	UNDER/OVER BUDGETED
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$4,026,333.00	\$3,907,187.00	-3.0%
- TOTAL REVENUES:	\$442,394.00	\$397,202.00	-10.2%
= NET EXPENSES:	3,583,939.00	3,509,985.00	-2.1%



2014 STATISTICS

4,472

Calls For Service

+

=

5,243

Total
Occurrences

771

Street Checks
(self-generated
work)

Top Five Criminal Code Calls

Theft Under \$5,000	178
Assault	86
Mischief	84
Impaired Driving	46
Fraud	31

Top Five Disorder Calls

Suspicious Person/Vehicle	307
False Alarm	296
Items Lost/Found	192
Assist General Public	179
Mental Health Act	154

CALLS FOR SERVICE AND TRAFFIC

Traffic Offences

Offence	2012	2013	2014
Speeding	198	129	152
Impaired related	43	37	46
Failing to remain at accident scene	37	23	39
Seatbelt violation	18	26	10
Driving while disqualified	13	17	16
Dangerous driving/operation	12	8	14
Other moving violations [^]	250	287	345
Other non-moving violations	235	219	185
Miscellaneous [*]	229	290	513
TOTAL:	1,035	1,036	1,320

* Includes insurance violations, provincial parking offences, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, Checkstop, municipal bylaws, and demonstrations.

[^] Includes intersection violations and other moving traffic violations.

Motor Vehicle Collisions

Offence	2012	2013	2014
Fatal collisions	0	0	0
Non-fatal injury collisions	11	9	5
Property damage - reportable [*]	119	116	117
Property damage - non-reportable	99	105	142
TOTAL:	229	230	284

* *Property damage reportable* refers to motor vehicle collisions on public roadways that involve combined damage over \$1,000.

In 2014, speeding was once again the most common traffic offence in Bridgewater, up by over 17% from last year. Although seatbelt violations and non-moving violations decreased, and driving while disqualified was relatively unchanged, there was an increase in every other traffic offence. Particularly troubling was the near-doubling of dangerous driving/operation offences and the 70% increase in drivers failing to remain at the scene of an accident. Overall, there was a 27.3% increase in traffic offences from 2013 to 2014.

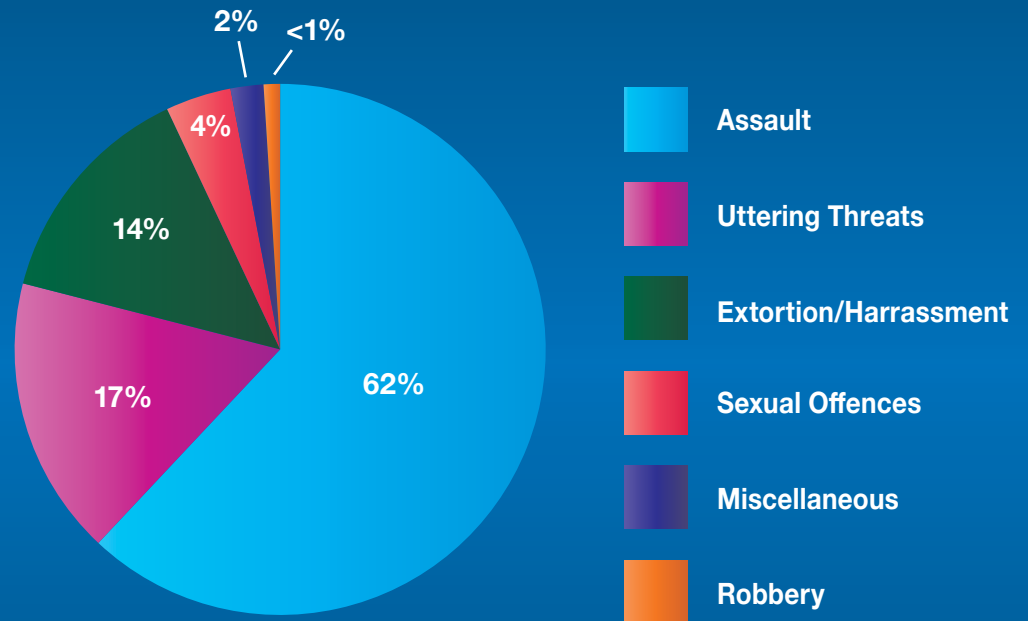


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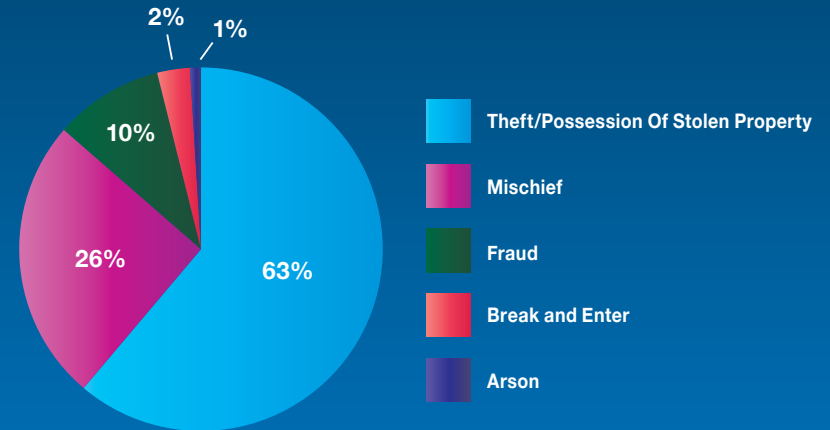
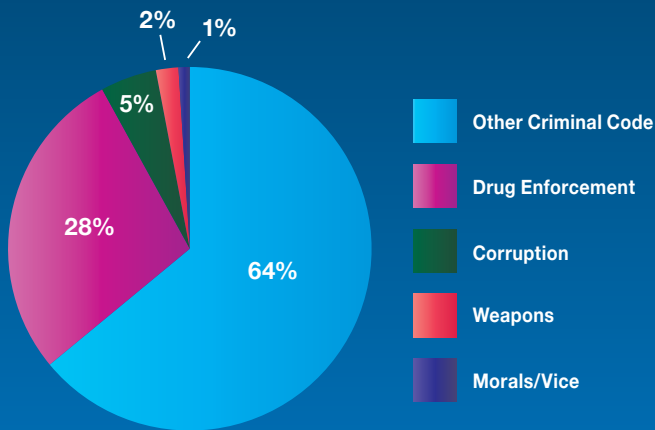
Crimes Against Persons

Offence	2012	2013	2014
Sexual Offences	7	9	6
Assaults	94	70	86
Robbery	2	2	1
Uttering Threats	35	34	23
Extortion/Harassment	17	12	19
Miscellaneous *	0	2	3
TOTAL:	155	129	138
NUMBER CLEARED:	144	115	128
CLEARANCE RATE:	92.9%	89.1%	92.8%

* Includes intimidation of a justice system participant or a journalist.



CRIMINAL CHARGES



Other Criminal Code

Offence	2012	2013	2014
Weapons	12	20	4
Morals/Vice	2	5	2
Corruption	3	10	9
Drug Enforcement	50	76	55
Other Criminal Code	149	135	127
TOTAL:	216	246	197
NUMBER CLEARED:	185	202	163
CLEARANCE RATE:	85.6%	82.1%	82.7%

Property Crime

Offence	2012	2013	2014
Break & Enter	23	26	9
Theft & Possession of Stolen Property	262	265	191
Mischief	143	104	84
Fraud	29	26	31
Arson	1	1	2
TOTAL:	458	422	317
NUMBER CLEARED:	192	175	139
CLEARANCE RATE:	41.9%	41.5%	43.8%



2014 STATISTICS

2013 Crime Severity Index Data

The Crime Severity index (CSI) examines all violations of the Criminal Code and other federal statutes that are reported by police, and tracks changes in the severity of police-reported crime. It does this by examining the amount of crime reported by police in a give jurisdiction along with the relative seriousness of these crimes.

The Violent Crime Severity Index only examines violent violations, including uttering threats, criminal harassment, and forcible confinement.

To make the Index easier to interpret, it is standardized to “100” using 2006 as a base year (a system that is similar to the Consumer Price Index).

Police Service	CSI	CSI Clearance Rate	Violent CSI	Violent CSI Clearance Rate
Amherst (pop. 9,526)	104.01	48.67	99.77	79.73
BRIDGEWATER (pop. 8,240)	67.62	54.17	47.23	105.84
Kentville (pop. 6,335)	89.48	55.46	42.17	97.1
New Glasgow (pop. 9,574)	88.53	53.14	90.89	77.87
Truro (pop. 12,910)	95.96	53.92	64.77	71.96

Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM table no. 252-0083

CRIME SEVERITY INDEX AND COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE

Police-related Complaints

The Office of the Police Complaints Commissioner investigates complaints by citizens alleging misconduct by municipal police officers. A total of 153 complaints were filed with the OPCC in 2013. Of these, 114 complaints began with a member of the public bringing allegations forward. The other 39 arose internally, with one officer making an allegation of misconduct against another officer.

** OPCC statistics for 2014 will not be available until 2016, as statistics from the OPCC are not released until two years have passed.*

Police Department	2012		2013	
	Public Complaints	Internal Complaints	Public Complaints	Internal Complaints
Amherst	7	0	3	1
Annapolis Royal	1	0	0	0
BRIDGEWATER	1	1	2	0
Cape Breton	41	0	17	2
Halifax	65	23	70	25
Kentville	5	0	4	0
New Glasgow	0	2	1	0
Springhill	2	0	0	0
Stellarton	3	2	7	6
Truro	2	1	7	5
Westville	0	0	3	0



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