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Department of Public Safety

## Professional Standards Bureau

# INVESTIGATORY FIELD STOP DATA REPORT

2008

The Brown University Department of Public Safety seeks to demonstrate a high level of professional performance, enhance and maintain the professional integrity of the department, and promote a high level of community confidence in its operations.

The Professional Standards Bureau is responsible for implementing policy, procedures, and directives that aid the organization and its members to realize those goals.

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## **Introduction**

In 2006, the Department of Public Safety launched a proactive Field Stop Integrity Initiative to post data on our website regarding stops of persons conducted by DPS Officers. In January of 2008, the department began conducting motor vehicle stops and will be including data collected from motor vehicle stops in this report.

If you have been stopped by a member of the Department of Public Safety and you are unsure of the reason or validity of the stop, we invite you to inquire about it. You may do so by filing an inquiry form which will provide us with details of the stop and a way to contact you. This can be accomplished by stopping by and obtaining a form at the following locations and then mailing or dropping it off to the Department of Public Safety or online at our website.

- Public Safety Headquarters front and back lobbies, 75 Charlesfield Street
- Public Safety Communications Center Lobby, 75 Waterman Street
- Student Life Office, 20 Benevolent Street
- Office of Institutional Diversity, Room 419 University Hall

In 2008 there were **35,574** service and emergency call entries recorded in the Department of Public Safety's Records Management System. Officers are required by policy to document each investigatory field stop for entry into the department's Records Management System.

- 1,876 Incident reports were generated
- 4,600 Building/room unlocks
- 1,748 Alarms
- 785 Escorts/transport
- 16,374 Building checks
- 139 Reports of investigatory stops of person
- 151 Suspicious Person Calls

**Investigatory Stop Data**

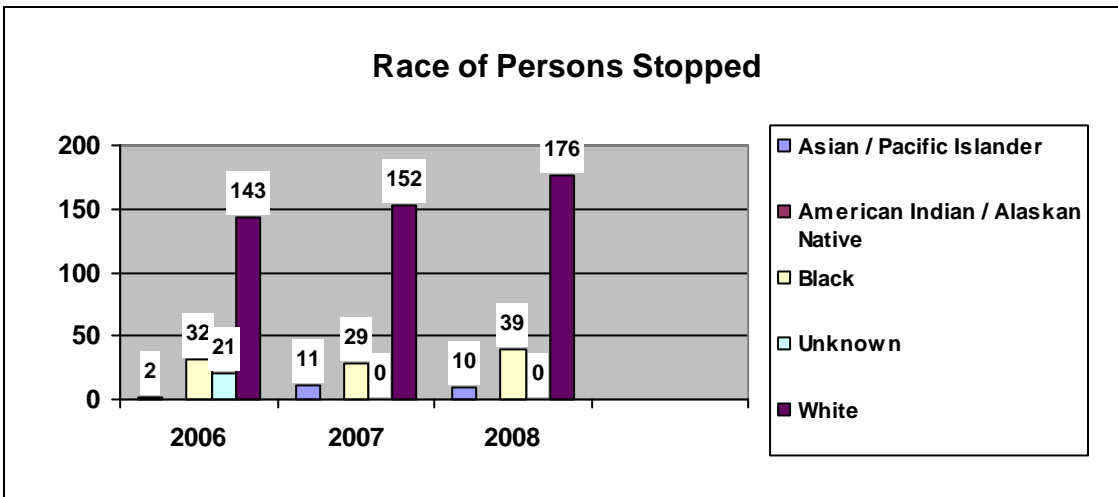
You will notice in the data below an increase in the number of both the incidents of stops and the number of persons recorded during those stops. You will also see that the number of stops, as a result of a report to DPS, has more than doubled. The number of Suspicious Person calls DPS received has also increased.

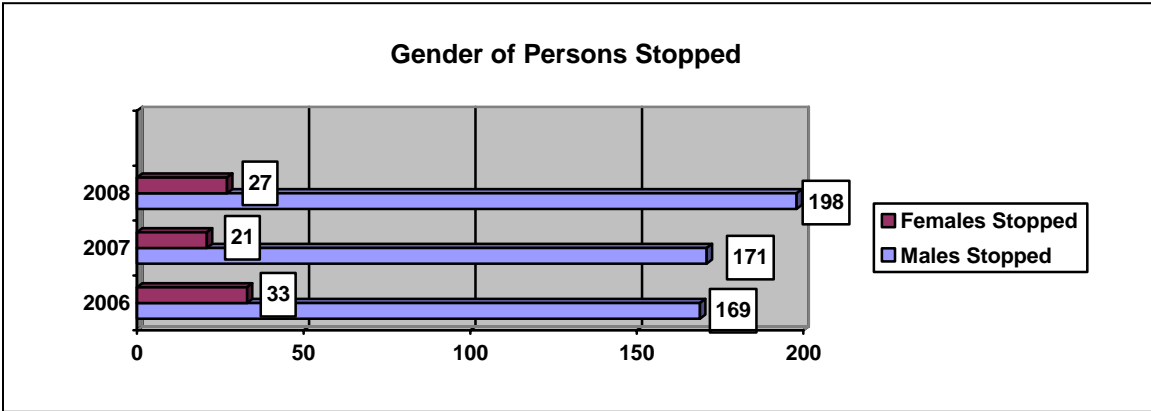
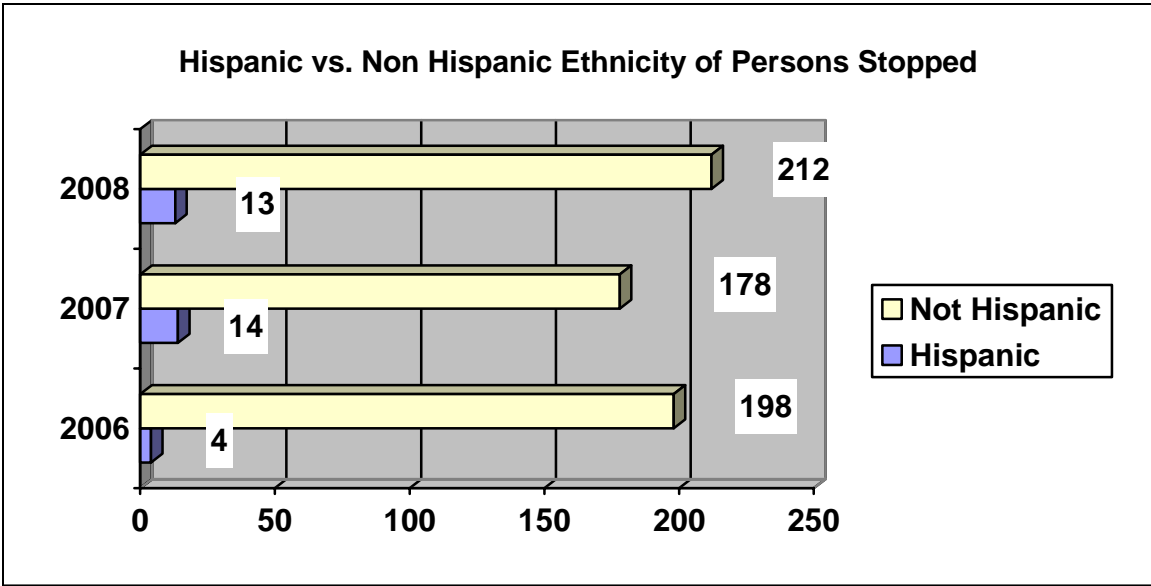
**Below is a comparison of stop data for 2008 to the previous two years.**

The chart below provides both the total number of persons stopped in the given year and the total number of incidents of stops.



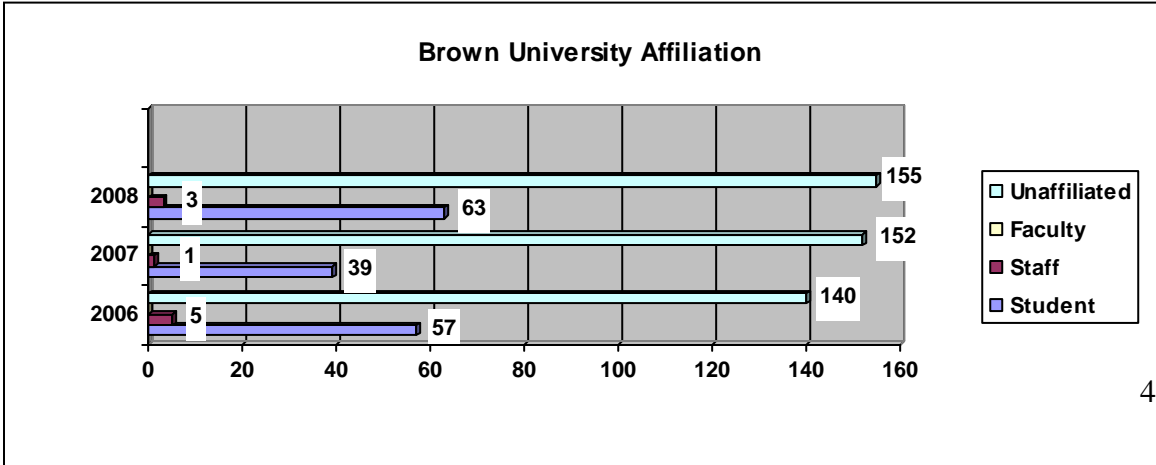
The chart below shows the break down by race of persons stopped. Note that in 2006 there were a number in the Unknown category. Training was conducted during 2006 with DPS Officers to report their perception of the race and ethnicity of the persons they stopped. The Category's utilized are standard, and include Asian/Pacific Islander; Black; American Indian / Alaskan Native; White; and Unknown. All persons are recorded as being perceived as Hispanic or not of Hispanic origin.



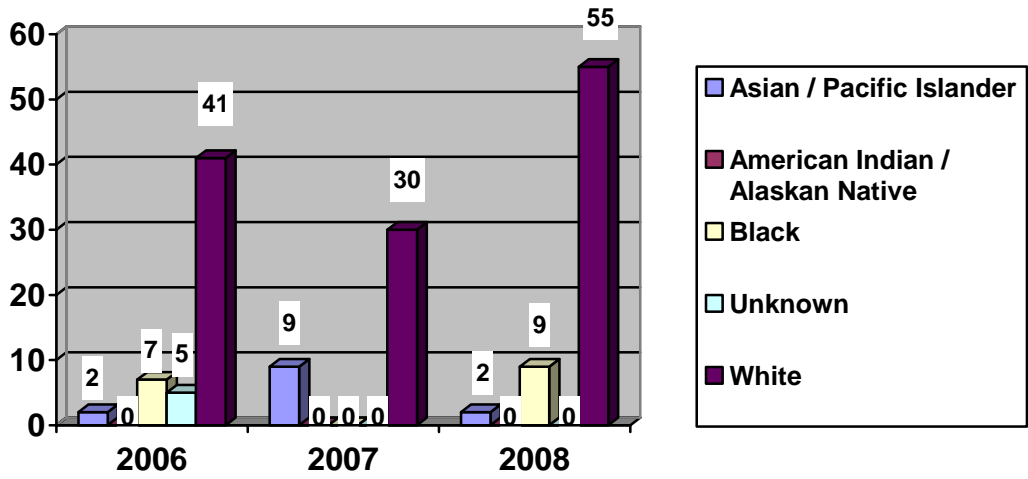


**Brown University Affiliation**

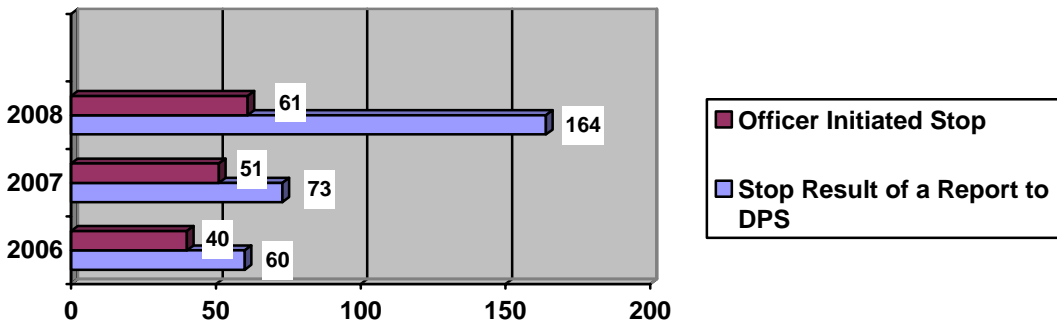
The department also documents whether the person stopped is affiliated with the University – student, faculty, staff member or unaffiliated with the University. In 2008, there were no recorded stops of Faculty. Sixty three students and three staff members were stopped in 2008.



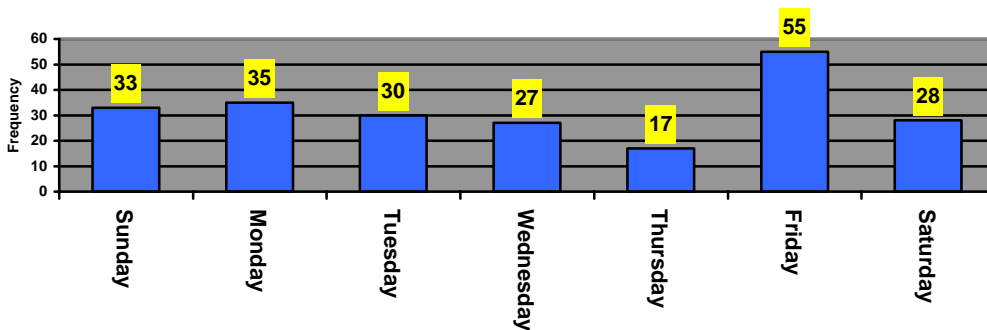
### Racial Breakdown of Brown Affiliated Persons Stopped

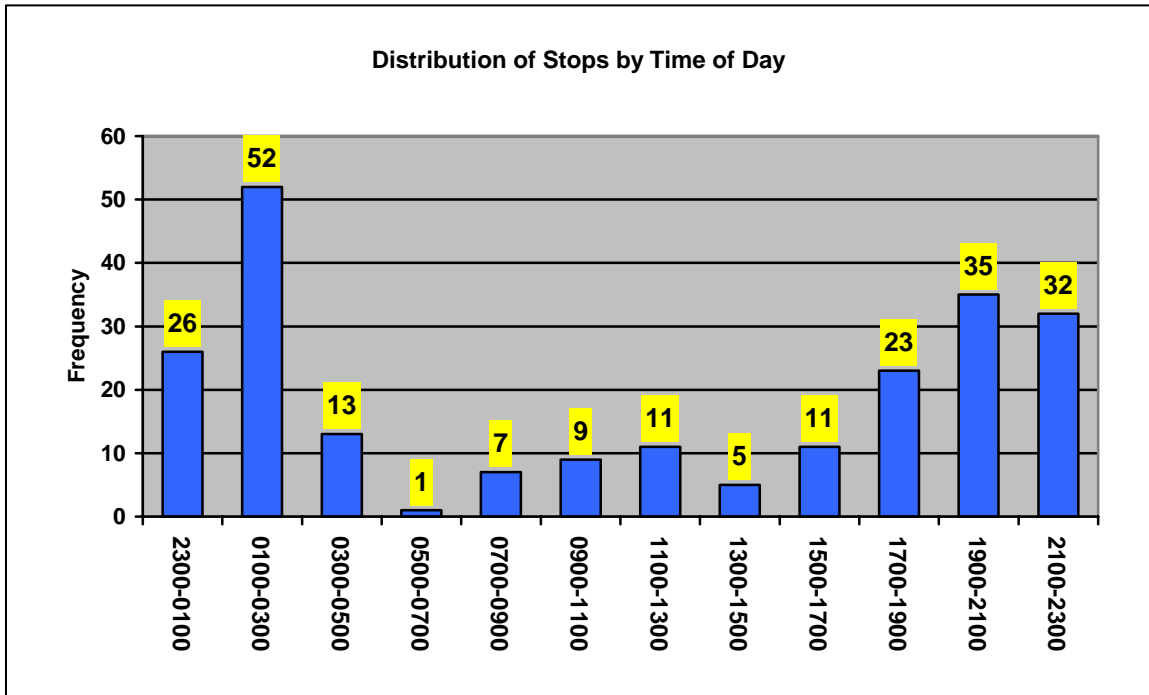


### Officer Initiated vs. Stops Resulting From a Report to DPS



### Distribution of Stops by Day of Week

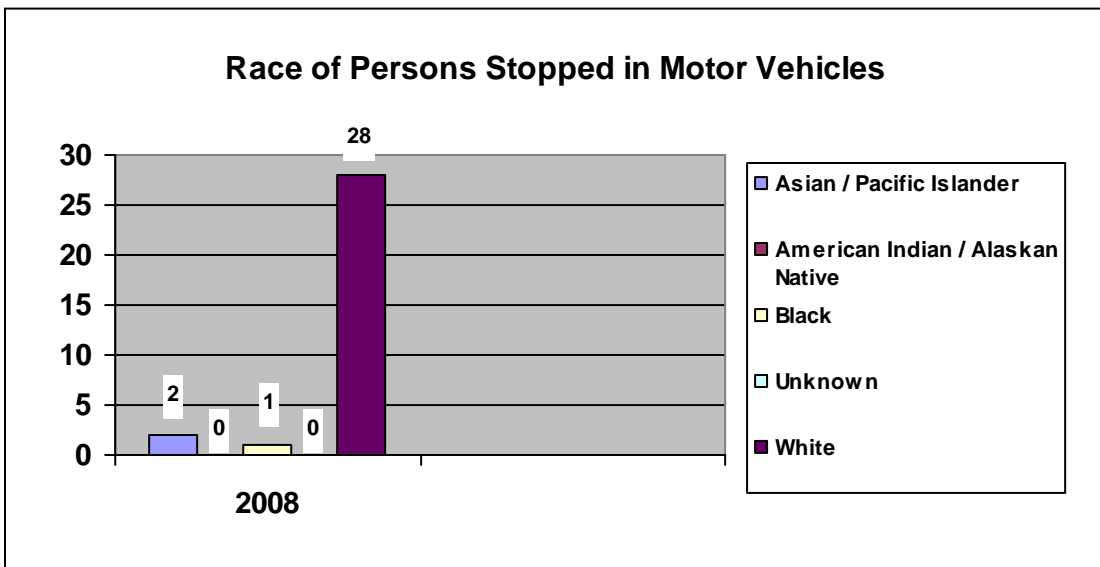




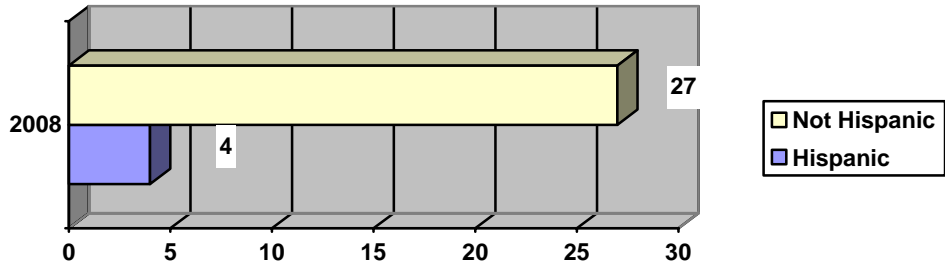
## Motor Vehicle Stop Data

In January of 2008, the Department of Public Safety authorized its officers to conduct motor vehicle stops of suspicious vehicles and vehicles posing a danger to the community.

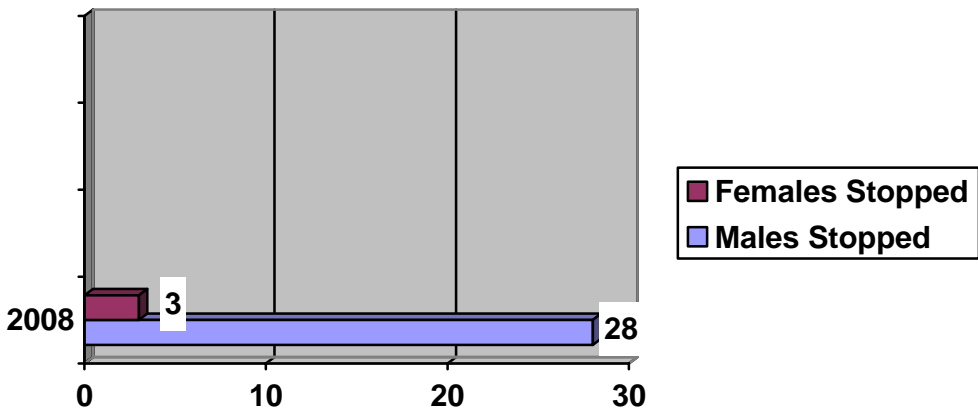
There were a total of 31 motor vehicle stops conducted in 2008.



**Hispanic vs. Non Hispanic Ethnicity of Persons Stopped in Motor Vehicles**



**Gender of Persons Stopped in Motor Vehicles**



**Brown University Affiliation of Persons Stopped in Motor Vehicles**

