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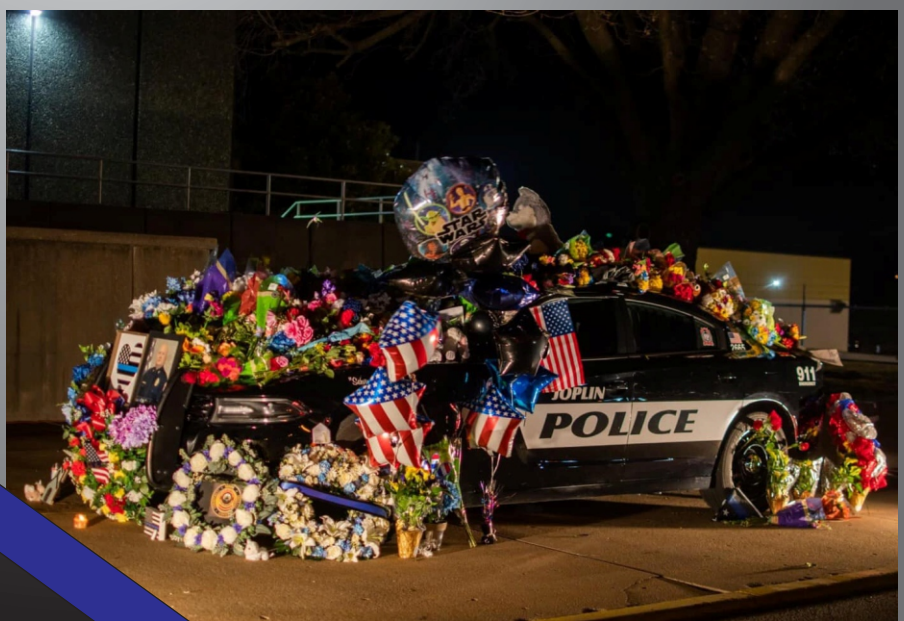
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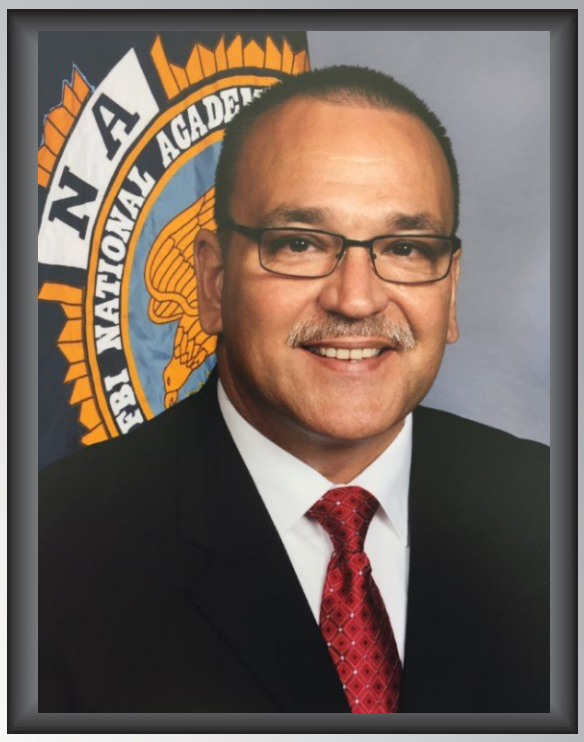
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LETTER FROM THE CHIEF



On behalf of the dedicated men and women of the Joplin Police Department, I want to extend our gratitude to the citizens of Joplin for your continued assistance and support. As we all know, 2022 was a tragic year for our department. On March 8th Officer Jake Reed and Corporal Ben Cooper were killed in the line of duty and Officer Rick Hirshey was seriously injured by gunfire. Additionally, Airport Officer Mike Gayman was also lost suddenly in 2022. The outpouring of support from the citizens of Joplin, surrounding communities, across the state, and the region was unbelievable.

The Joplin Police Department when at full staff employs 110 sworn officers and 53 civilian members who serve in all areas of the Police Department, Communications Center, and City Jail. Whether it is responding to emergencies, investigating crime, traffic safety enforcement or general assistance to the public, our goal is to provide a safe environment for our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

The following report is a summary of important statistics from the year 2022. The total number of calls for the year were 73,755. The year saw a continued reduction in the number of traffic crashes by 4.4% within the city and a 6% reduction in crime overall.

Our goal as a department is to respond to the needs of the community in a manner that displays a high level of professionalism and customer service. We continually strive to deliver the best service possible as we work collaboratively with our community to identify, address, and resolve quality of life issues.

Sloan Rowland
Chief of Police

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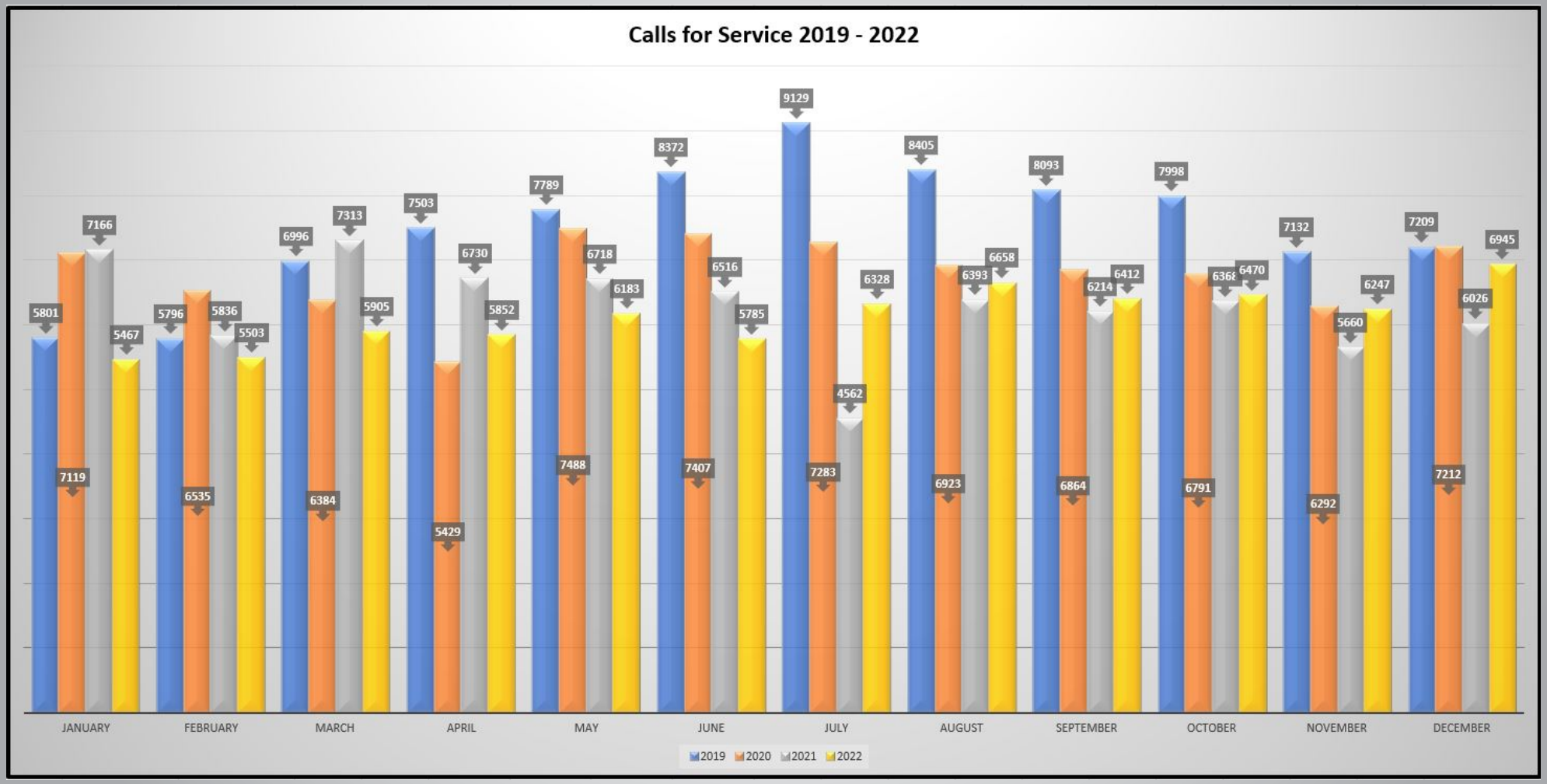
CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for Service 2019 - 2022				
	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	5801	7119	7166	5467
February	5796	6535	5836	5503
March	6996	6384	7313	5905
April	7503	5429	6730	5852
May	7789	7488	6718	6183
June	8372	7407	6516	5785
July	9129	7283	4562	6328
August	8405	6923	6393	6658
September	8093	6864	6214	6412
October	7998	6791	6368	6470
November	7132	6292	5660	6247
December	7209	7212	6026	6945
TOTAL	90223	81727	75502	73755

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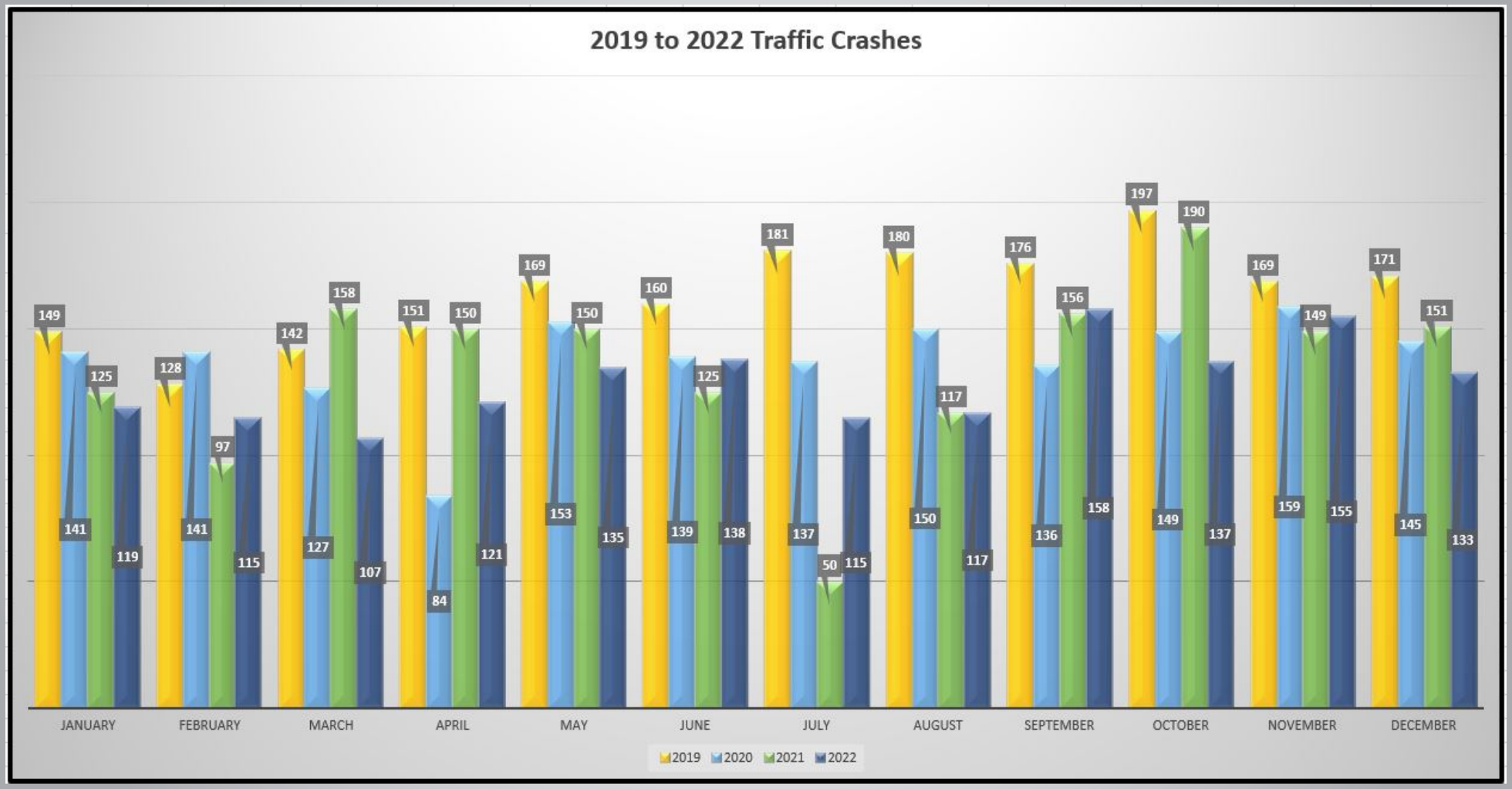
TRAFFIC CRASHES

2019 - 2022 TRAFFIC CRASHES				
	2019	2020	2021	2022
JANUARY	149	141	125	119
FEBRUARY	128	141	97	115
MARCH	142	127	158	107
APRIL	151	84	150	121
MAY	169	153	150	135
JUNE	160	139	125	138
JULY	181	137	50	115
AUGUST	180	150	117	117
SEPTEMBER	176	136	156	158
OCTOBER	197	149	190	137
NOVEMBER	169	159	149	155
DECEMBER	171	145	151	133
TOTAL	**1973**	**1661**	**1618**	**1550**

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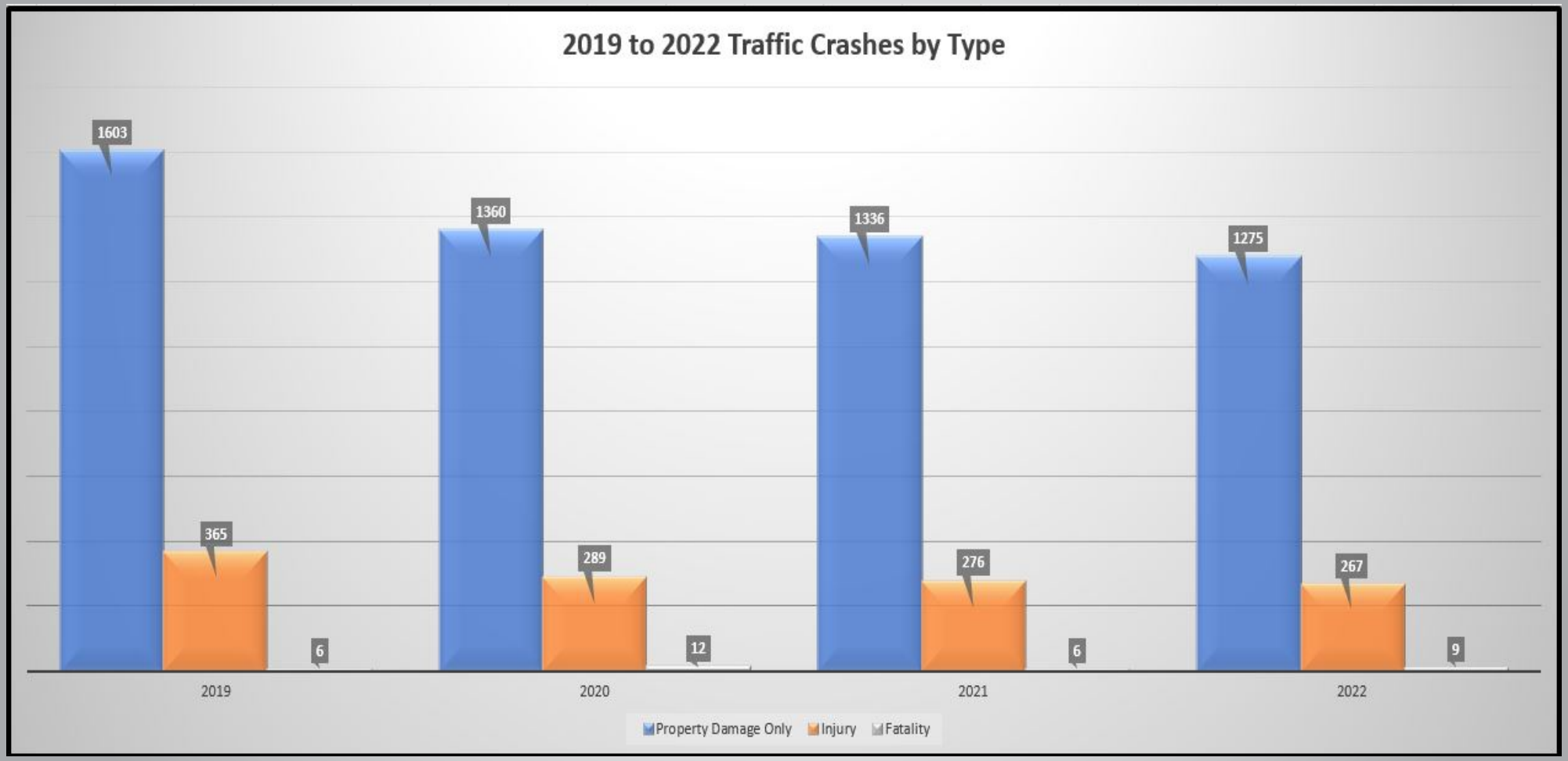
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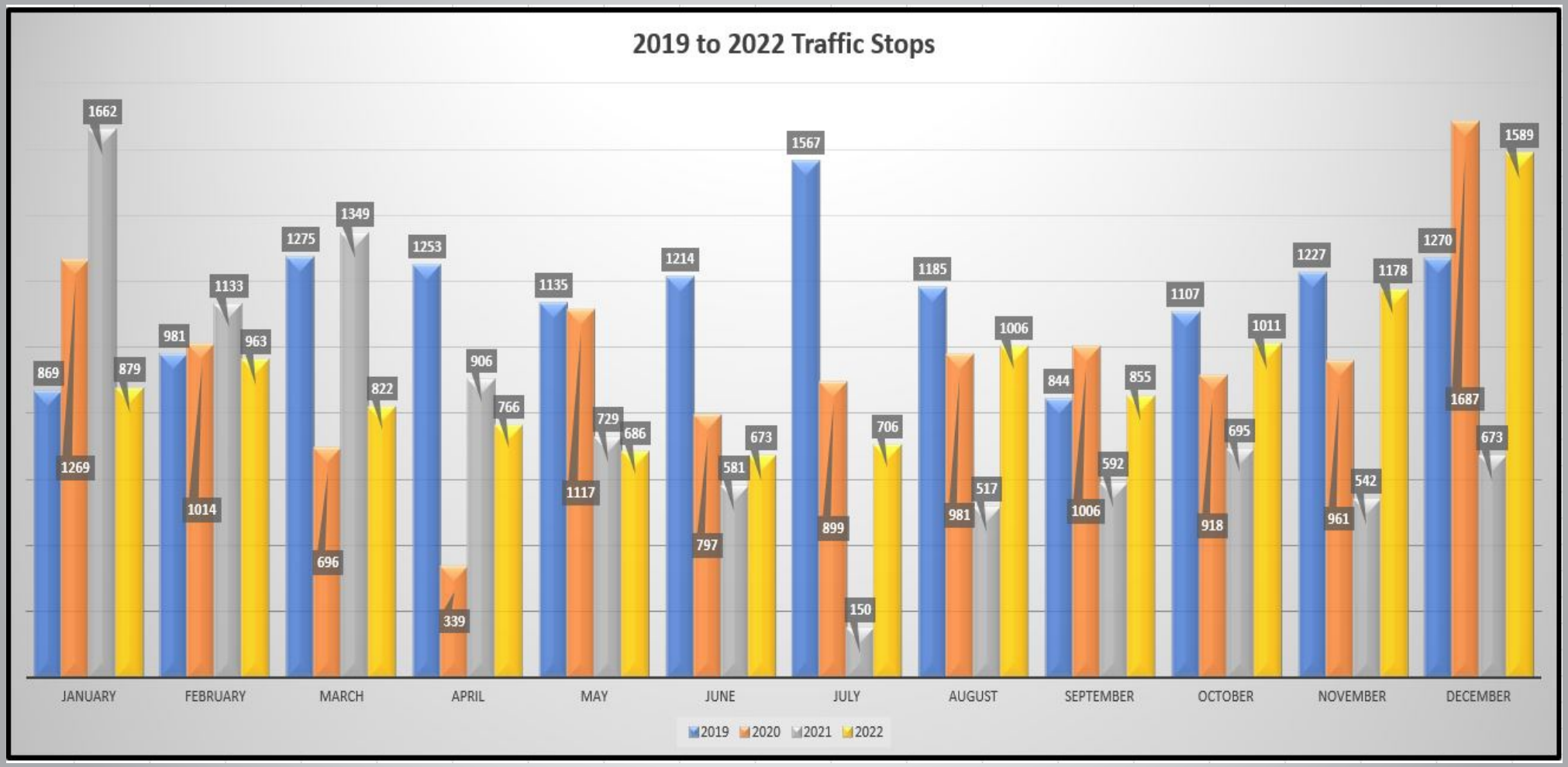
TRAFFIC STOPS

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	2019	2020	2021	2022
JANUARY	869	1269	1662	879
FEBRUARY	981	1014	1133	963
MARCH	1275	696	1349	822
APRIL	1253	339	906	766
MAY	1135	1117	729	686
JUNE	1214	797	581	673
JULY	1567	899	150	706
AUGUST	1185	981	517	1006
SEPTEMBER	844	1006	592	855
OCTOBER	1107	918	695	1011
NOVEMBER	1227	961	542	1178
DECEMBER	1270	1687	673	1589
TOTAL	13927	11684	9529	11134

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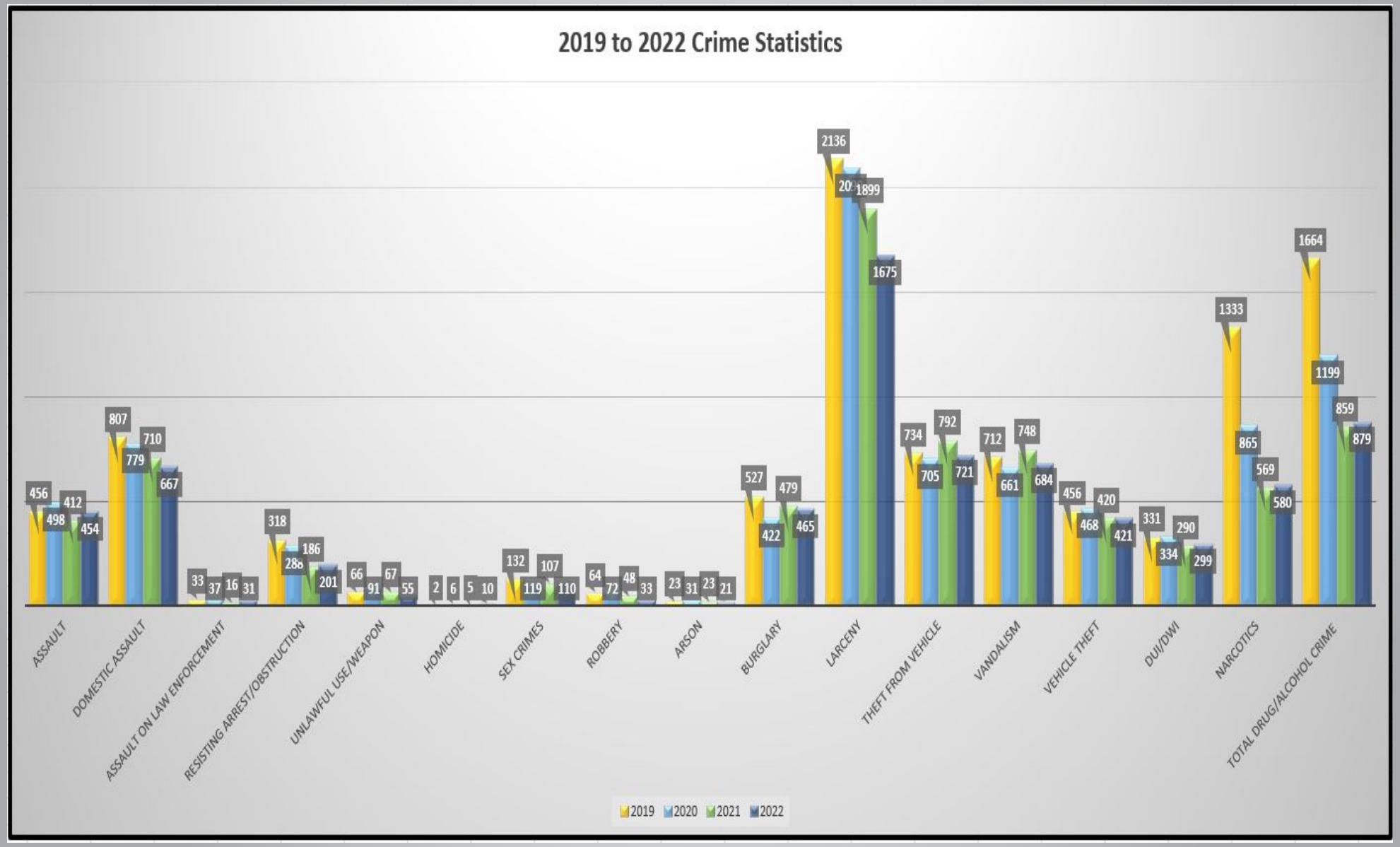
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ASSAULT	456	498	412	454
DOMESTIC ASSAULT	807	779	710	667
ASSAULT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT	33	37	16	31
RESISTING ARREST/OBSTRUCTION	318	288	186	201
UNLAWFUL USE/WEAPON	66	91	67	55
HOMICIDE	2	6	5	10
SEX CRIMES	132	119	107	110
ROBBERY	64	72	48	33
TOTAL VIOLENT CRIME	**1878**	**1890**	**1551**	**1561**
ARSON	23	31	23	21
BURGLARY	527	422	479	465
LARCENY	2136	2090	1899	1675
THEFT FROM VEHICLE	734	705	792	721
VANDALISM	712	661	748	684
VEHICLE THEFT	456	468	420	421
TOTAL PROPERTY CRIME	**4588**	**4377**	**4361**	**3987**
DUI/DWI	331	334	290	299
NARCOTICS	1333	865	569	580
TOTAL DRUG/ALCOHOL CRIME	**1664**	**1199**	**859**	**879**
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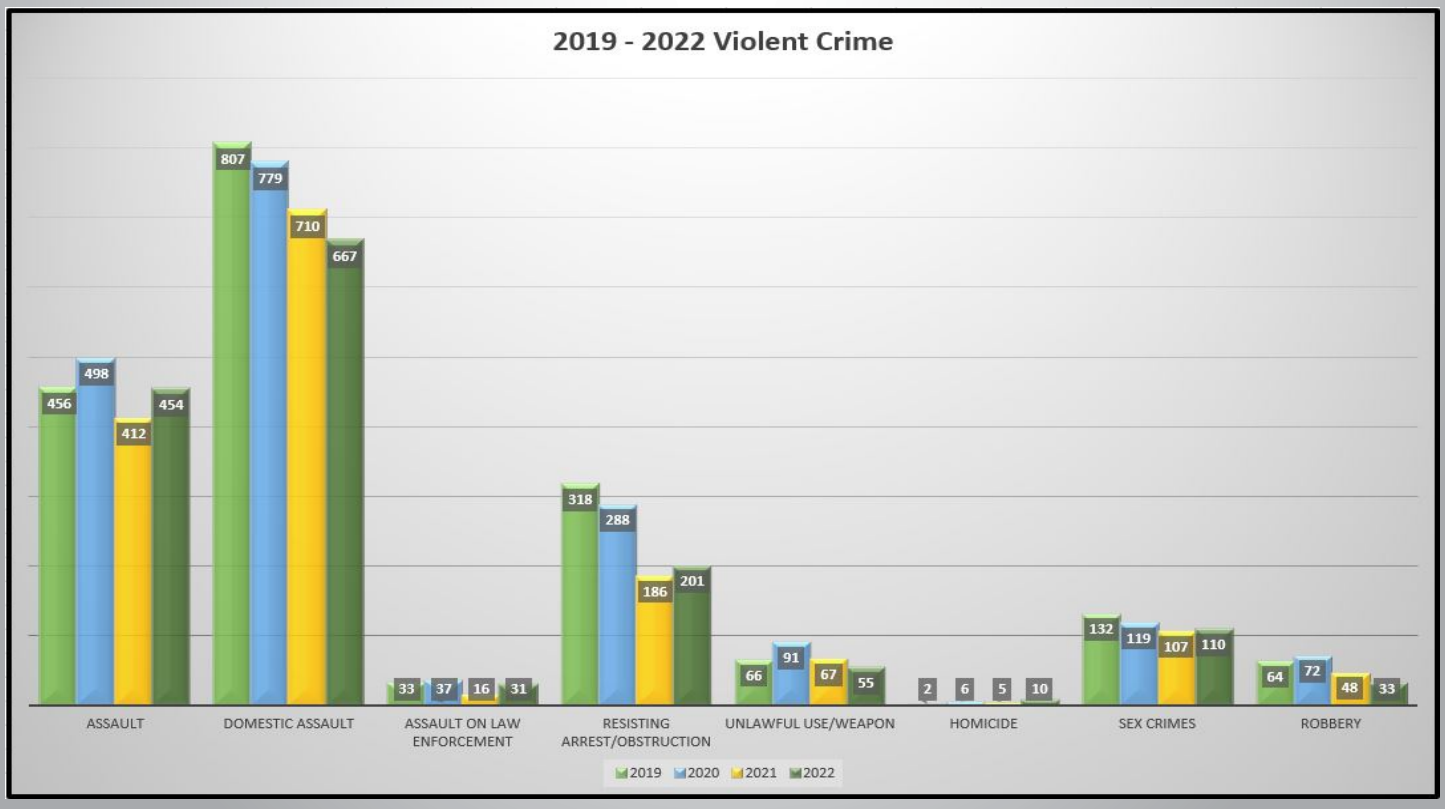


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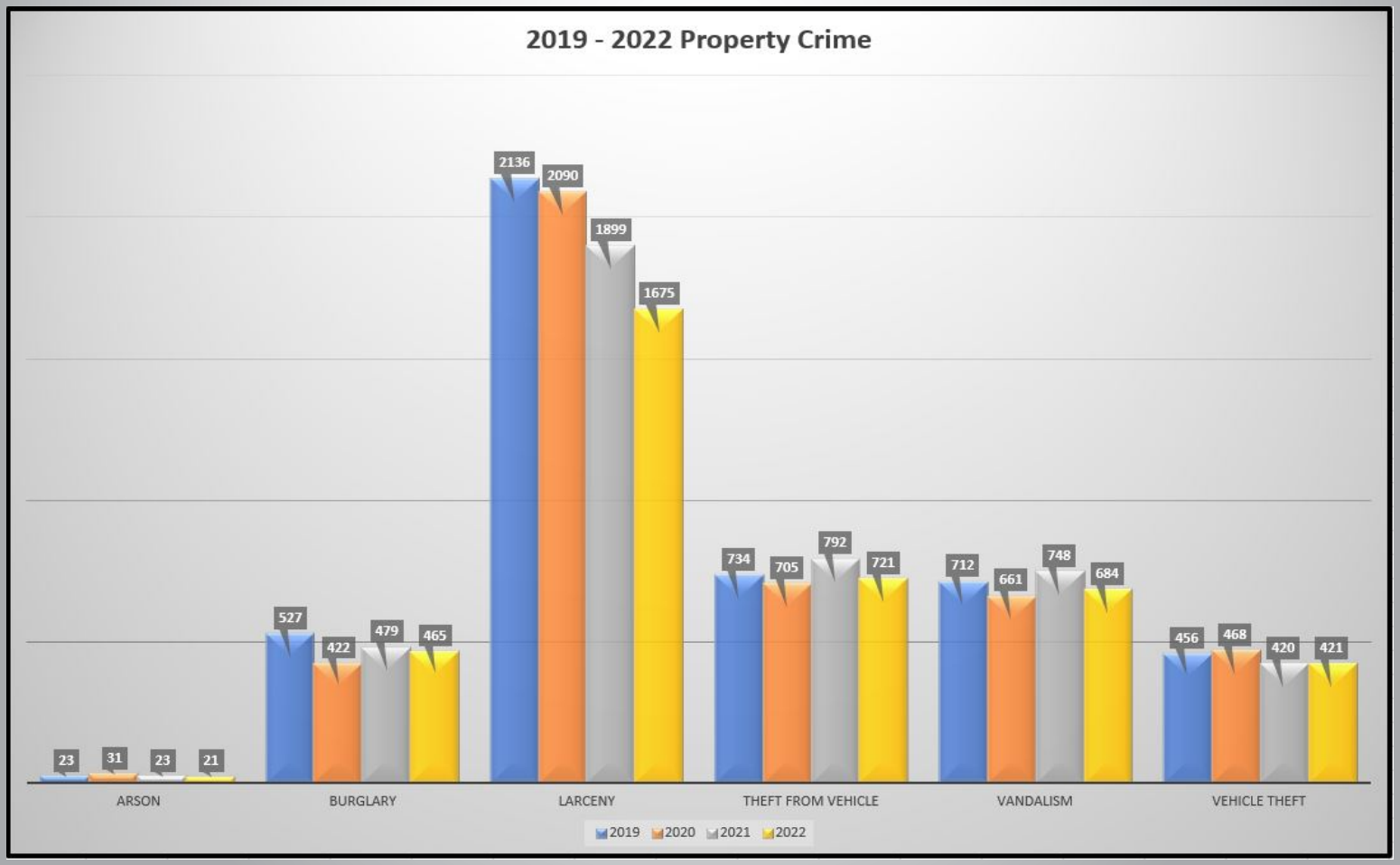


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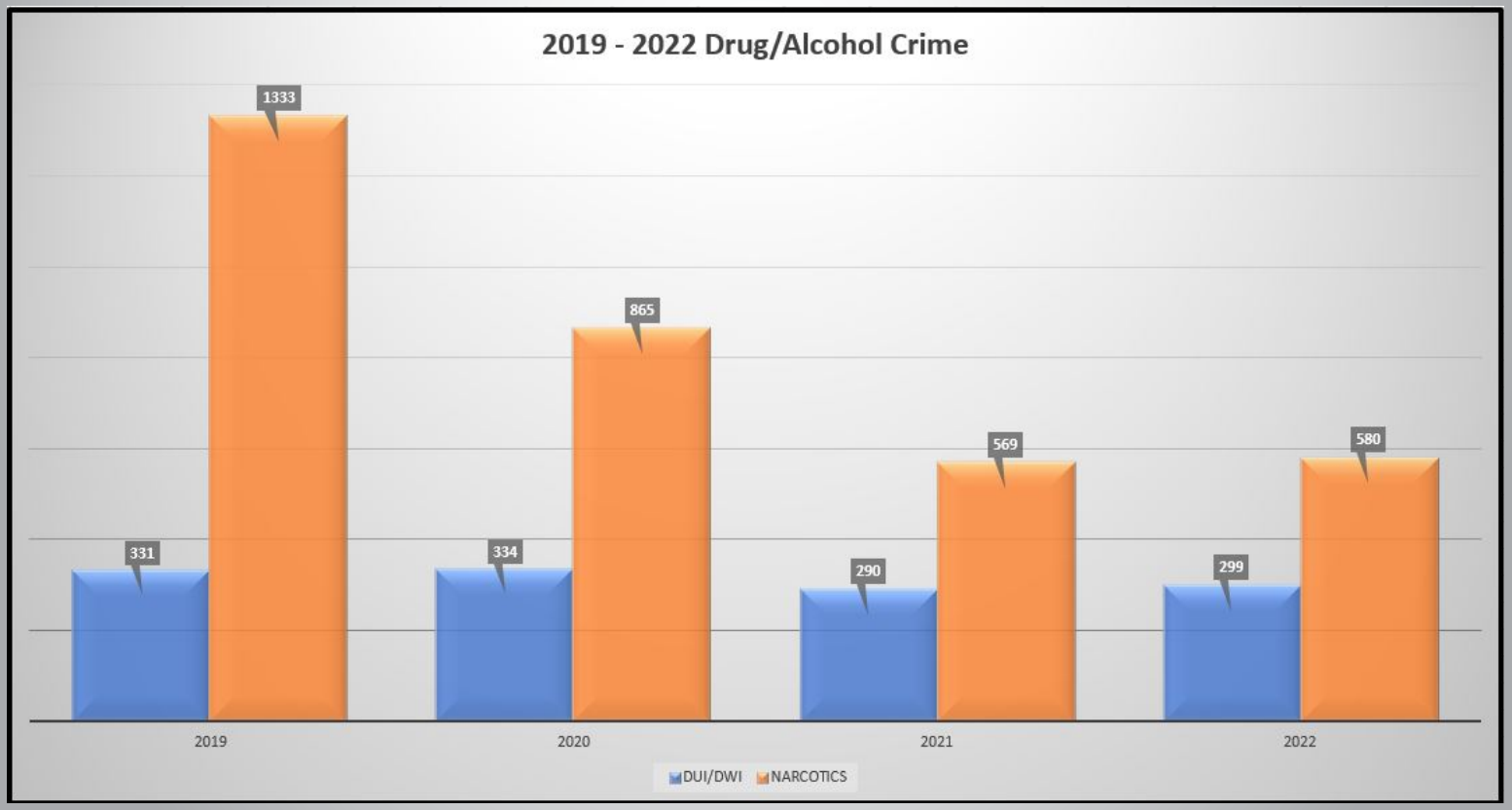


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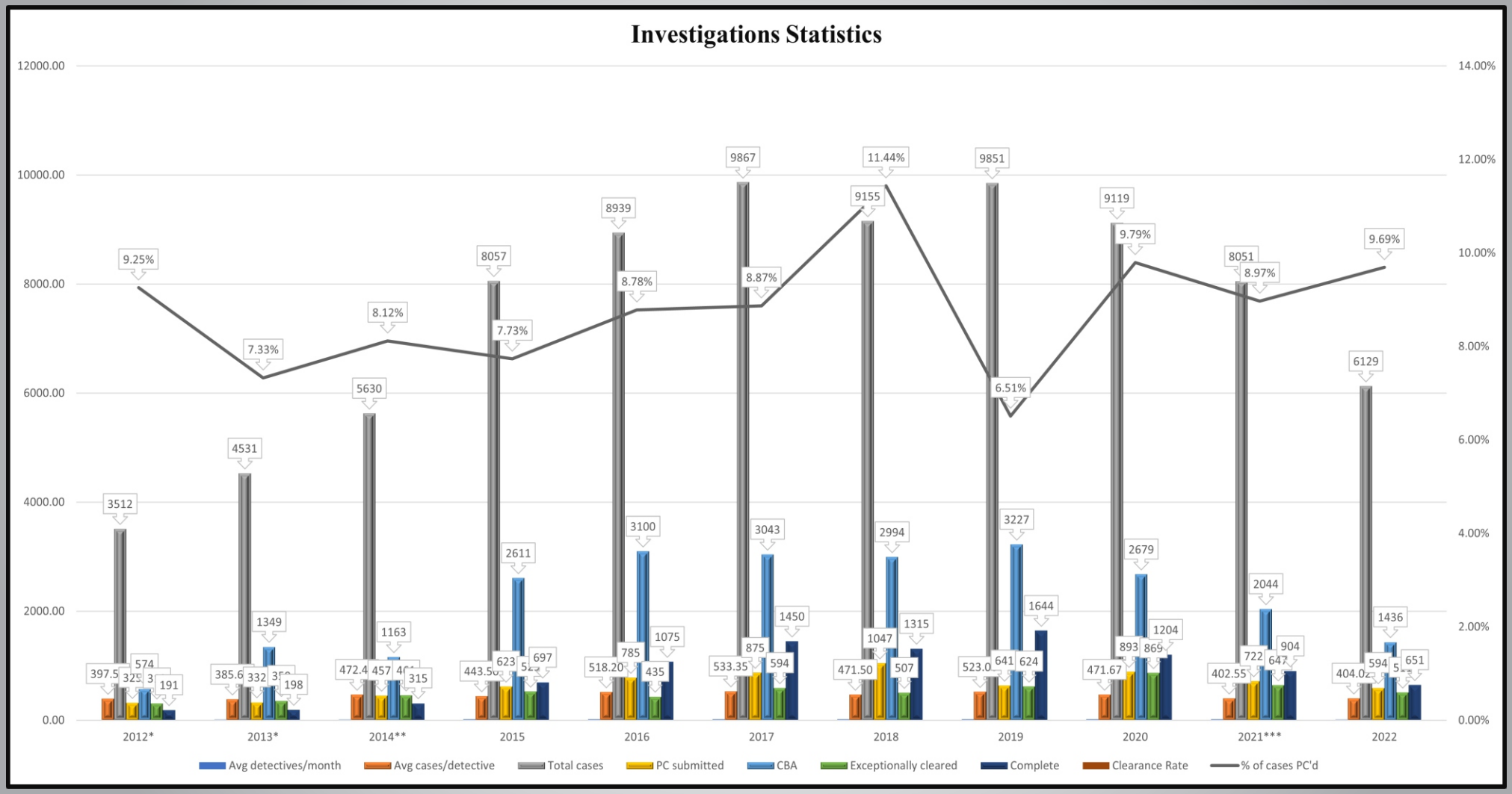
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