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**ARRESTS FOR SIMPLE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA  
2014 – 2020 YTD through MAY**

**NUMBER OF ARRESTS BY RACE**

| Year Arrested        | Race                  | Number of Persons Arrested |                  |               | Percent of Persons Arrested |                  |               |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                      |                       | Citation Arrests           | Physical Arrests | Total Arrests | Citation Arrests            | Physical Arrests | Total Arrests |
| 2014                 | White                 | 764                        | 67               | 831           | 32.0%                       | 2.8%             | 34.8%         |
|                      | Black                 | 1,373                      | 161              | 1,534         | 57.5%                       | 6.7%             | 64.3%         |
|                      | Other                 | 17                         | 4                | 21            | 0.7%                        | 0.2%             | 0.9%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2014</b>     | <b>2,154</b>               | <b>232</b>       | <b>2,386</b>  | <b>90.3%</b>                | <b>9.7%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2015                 | White                 | 675                        | 64               | 739           | 30.9%                       | 2.9%             | 33.8%         |
|                      | Black                 | 1,308                      | 118              | 1,426         | 59.9%                       | 5.4%             | 65.3%         |
|                      | Other                 | 20                         | 0                | 20            | 0.9%                        | 0.0%             | 0.9%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2015</b>     | <b>2,003</b>               | <b>182</b>       | <b>2,185</b>  | <b>91.7%</b>                | <b>8.3%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2016                 | White                 | 748                        | 49               | 797           | 31.8%                       | 2.1%             | 33.9%         |
|                      | Black                 | 1,384                      | 145              | 1,529         | 58.8%                       | 6.2%             | 65.0%         |
|                      | Other                 | 27                         | 0                | 27            | 1.1%                        | 0.0%             | 1.1%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2016</b>     | <b>2,159</b>               | <b>194</b>       | <b>2,353</b>  | <b>91.8%</b>                | <b>8.2%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2017                 | White                 | 735                        | 35               | 770           | 34.5%                       | 1.6%             | 36.2%         |
|                      | Black                 | 1,239                      | 91               | 1,330         | 58.2%                       | 4.3%             | 62.4%         |
|                      | Other                 | 28                         | 2                | 30            | 1.3%                        | 0.1%             | 1.4%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2017</b>     | <b>2,002</b>               | <b>128</b>       | <b>2,130</b>  | <b>94.0%</b>                | <b>6.0%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2018                 | White                 | 529                        | 34               | 563           | 29.8%                       | 1.9%             | 31.7%         |
|                      | Black                 | 1,125                      | 75               | 1,200         | 63.3%                       | 4.2%             | 67.6%         |
|                      | Other                 | 12                         | 1                | 13            | 0.7%                        | 0.1%             | 0.7%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2018</b>     | <b>1,666</b>               | <b>110</b>       | <b>1,776</b>  | <b>93.8%</b>                | <b>6.2%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2019                 | White                 | 216                        | 9                | 225           | 29.3%                       | 1.2%             | 30.5%         |
|                      | Black                 | 479                        | 23               | 502           | 64.9%                       | 3.1%             | 68.0%         |
|                      | Other                 | 11                         | 0                | 11            | 1.5%                        | 0.0%             | 1.5%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2019</b>     | <b>706</b>                 | <b>32</b>        | <b>738</b>    | <b>95.7%</b>                | <b>4.3%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |
| 2020 YTD through May | White                 | 68                         | 4                | 72            | 24.5%                       | 1.4%             | 25.9%         |
|                      | Black                 | 197                        | 9                | 206           | 70.9%                       | 3.2%             | 74.1%         |
|                      | Other                 | 0                          | 0                | 0             | 0.0%                        | 0.0%             | 0.0%          |
|                      | <b>Total 2020 YTD</b> | <b>265</b>                 | <b>13</b>        | <b>278</b>    | <b>95.3%</b>                | <b>4.7%</b>      | <b>100.0%</b> |

Notes:

Arrests are for defendants arrested on charge NCIC 3390, Possession or Casual Exchange-Controlled Substance, Where Marijuana is indicated in ARMs.

Simple Possession of Marijuana is the ONLY arrested charge.

Other Races include American Indian, Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander.

Unknown indicates data is missing in ARMs.

Source: Data pulled from ARMs, CJIS and JMS on 7/1/2020.

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