MONTHLY UPDATE:

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SHOT AND KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY
The National Fraternal Order of Police reports that as of midnight on 30 November, there have been 314 officers shot in the line of duty so far this year. Of those officers shot, 58 of them were killed by gunfire.

There have been 95 ambush-style attacks on law enforcement officers this year (+126% from 2020 YTD). These ambush-style attacks have resulted in 119 officers shot, 28 of whom were killed.

The number of ambush-style attacks listed does not account for the number of ambush-style attacks where an officer was not struck by gunfire.

314 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SHOT IN THE LINE OF DUTY

58 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE

119 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WERE SHOT IN 95 SEPARATE AMBUSH-STYLE ATTACKS

AMBUSH-STYLE ATTACKS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT THIS YEAR ARE UP 126% FROM THIS TIME IN 2020
### Officers Shot in the Line of Duty This Year

#### State-by-State Breakdown

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NATURE OF THE ATTACKS

Every felonious attack on a law enforcement officer, especially by gunfire, is disturbing regardless of the circumstances. Officers are always susceptible to life-threatening attacks and therefore must always be vigilant and maintain the highest level of situational awareness.

In most cases, officers are able to quickly assess situations, recognize threats, and take adequate defensive actions. Tragically, not every threat can be seen or mitigated. Perhaps most troubling and worrisome are ambush-style and other calculated attacks on law enforcement.

Premeditated ambush-style attacks are particularly disturbing and pernicious. These types of attacks are carried out with an element of surprise and intended to deprive officers of their ability to defend against the attack. Premeditated attacks contribute to a worrisome desensitization to evil acts that were once largely considered taboo except by the most depraved.

In 2020, 49 percent of shooting incidents involved a discernible element of premeditation, which is a 7 percent increase over 2019.

AMBUSHER-STYLE ATTACK

An "ambush-style attack" is defined as when an officer is struck by gunfire without any warning or opportunity to defend themselves.
THE GROWING CONCERN

In October 2015, the U.S. Department of Justice released a report entitled: *Ambushes of Police*. The report detailed the number of ambush attacks on law enforcement officers from 1990-2013. In 2013 alone, there were between 200 and 300 ambush attacks reported. The Executive Summary states:

"...the proportion of fatal attacks on officers attributable to ambushes [is] increasing. Concerns about targeted violence against police are on the rise, while officers must not only be guardians of the public but also be prepared to respond to violence targeting them."

In May 2017, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) released a report entitled: *The Assailant Study: Mindset and Behavior*. The report identified a disturbing and growing trend of attackers who are motivated by a desire to kill a law enforcement officer. This motivation, the report concludes, is from a “singular narrative that portrays the officer as guilty in traditional and social media and the subject as the victim.”

A December 2017 study by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services entitled *Making It Safer*, examined law enforcement officer fatalities from 2010-2016, including ambush attacks. The study found that 20% of ambushed officers were seated in their patrol cars and that:

"56 percent were not on a call or engaged in any enforcement activity. Many of these officers were simply eating, sitting on post, or in five cases, targeted and killed while at their home or on their way home."
THE GROWING CONCERN (CONTINUED)

In 2018, the Criminal Justice Information Services Division within the FBI released a report entitled *Ambushes and Unprovoked Attacks: Assaults on Our Nation’s Law Enforcement Officers*. This comprehensive report concluded:

> “While the overall number of officers who were feloniously killed was declining, the percentage of officers feloniously killed during surprise attacks was increasing.”

BACKGROUND

The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) within the U.S. Department of Justice recently published the [2020 Year-End Summary on Law Enforcement Officers Shot in the Line of Duty](https://www2.cdc.gov/epo/surveillance/law-enforcement-officers-shot-summary/), which contains research conducted by staff with the National FOP’s Government and Media Affairs Center (GMAC).

In October of 2019, the National Fraternal Order of Police partnered with the National Blue Alert Network to collect and analyze data on reported shootings of law enforcement officers nationwide. Using media monitoring software and general research, staff with the National FOP's GMAC has tracked, collected, and analyzed publicly available information to produce the [2020 Year-End Summary](https://www.nfop.org/2020-year-end-summary) on officers shot and killed in the line of duty. The report contains data on law enforcement officers shot in the line of duty, both fatally and non-fatally, for the expressed purpose of better understanding the nature and frequency of incidents that could give rise to the issuance of a Blue Alert.

The information in this monthly update reflects preliminary numbers and are subject to change. The 2021 Year-End Summary will be published in early 2022.

VIEW THE 2020 YEAR-END SUMMARY
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

AGENT LUIS X. SALAMÁN-CONDE
Carolina Municipal Police Department, Puerto Rico
End of Watch: Monday, January 11, 2021

AGENT LUIS A. MARRERO-DÍAZ
Puerto Rico Police Department, Puerto Rico
End of Watch: Monday, January 11, 2021

POLICE OFFICER BRANDON M. STALKER
Toledo Police Department, Ohio
End of Watch: Monday, January 18, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF ADAM GIBSON
Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department, California
End of Watch: Monday, January 18, 2021

LIEUTENANT MICHAEL BOUTTE
Hancock County Sheriff’s Office, Mississippi
End of Watch: Monday, February 1, 2021

SPECIAL AGENT DANIEL ALFIN
Federal Bureau of Investigation
End of Watch: Tuesday, February 2, 2021

SPECIAL AGENT LAURA ANN SCHWARTZENBERGER
Federal Bureau of Investigation
End of Watch: Tuesday, February 2, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

PATROLMAN DARIAN JARROTT
New Mexico State Police, New Mexico
*End of Watch: Thursday, February 4, 2021*

POLICE OFFICER DOMINIC JARED WINUM
Stanley Police Department, Virginia
*End of Watch: Friday, February 26, 2021*

RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE MARTINUS MITCHUM
Second City Court of New Orleans Constable’s Office, Louisiana
*End of Watch: Friday, February 26, 2021*

CAPTAIN JUSTIN WILLIAMS BEDWELL
Decatur County Sheriff’s Office, Georgia
*End of Watch: Monday, March 1, 2021*

DEPUTY SHERIFF STANLEY "ALLEN" BURDIC
Douglas County Sheriff’s Office, Oregon
*End of Watch: Thursday, March 11, 2021*

POLICE OFFICER KEVIN VALENCIA
Orlando Police Department, Florida
*End of Watch: Monday, March 15, 2021*

POLICE OFFICER ERIC HUSTON TALLEY
Boulder Police Department, Colorado
*End of Watch: Monday, March 22, 2021*
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

TROOPER CHAD WALKER
Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas
End of Watch: Sunday, March 28, 2021

SERGEANT JAMES K. SMITH
Iowa State Patrol, Iowa
End of Watch: Friday, April 9, 2021

POLICE OFFICER DAVID PARDE
Lexington Police Department, North Carolina
End of Watch: Sunday, April 18, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF LOGAN FOX
Watauga County Sheriff’s Office, North Carolina
End of Watch: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

SERGEANT CHRIS WARD
Watauga County Sheriff’s Office, North Carolina
End of Watch: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

SERGEANT STEPHEN JONES
Concho County Sheriff’s Office, Texas
End of Watch: Monday, May 10, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF SAMUEL ALEXANDER LEONARD
Concho County Sheriff’s Office, Texas
End of Watch: Monday, May 10, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

DETECTIVE LUCA BENEDETTI
San Luis Obispo Police Department, California
End of Watch: Monday, May 10, 2021

POLICE OFFICER JIMMY INN
Stockton Police Department, California
End of Watch: Tuesday, May 11, 2021

POLICE OFFICER CHRIS OBERHEIM
Champaign Police Department, Illinois
End of Watch: Wednesday, May 19, 2021

DETECTIVE STEPHEN CHRISTOPHER ARNOLD
Jefferson Parish Sheriff’s Office, Louisiana
End of Watch: Sunday, May 23, 2021

SERGEANT DOMINIC VACA
San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department, California
End of Watch: Monday, May 31, 2021

SERGEANT ERASMO GARCÍA-TORRES
Puerto Rico Police Department, Puerto Rico
End of Watch: Thursday, June 10, 2021

POLICE OFFICER GORDON BEESLEY
Arvada Police Department, Colorado
End of Watch: Monday, June 21, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

DETECTIVE GREG FERENCY
Terre Haute Police Department, Indiana
End of Watch: Wednesday, July 7, 2021

POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM EARL COLLINS, JR.
Doyline Police Department, Louisiana
End of Watch: Friday, July 9, 2021

SERGEANT JOSHUA BLAKE BARTLETT
Lubbock County Sheriff’s Office, Texas
End of Watch: Thursday, July 15, 2021

DETECTIVE JEREMY BROWN
Clark County Sheriff’s Office, Washington
End of Watch: Friday, July 23, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF PHILLIP CAMPAS
Kern County Sheriff’s Office, California
End of Watch: Sunday, July 25, 2021

POLICE OFFICER MARQUIS MOORER
Selma Police Department, Alabama
End of Watch: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

POLICE OFFICER RYAN BIALKE
Red Lake Nation Police Department, Tribal Police
End of Watch: Tuesday, July 27, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

POLICE OFFICER GEORGE GONZALEZ
U.S. Department of Defense, Pentagon Force Protection Agency
End of Watch: Tuesday, August 3, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF BRANDON A. SHIRLEY
Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office, Kentucky
End of Watch: Thursday, August 5, 2021

POLICE OFFICER ELLA GRACE FRENCH
Chicago Police Department, Illinois
End of Watch: Saturday, August 7, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF RYAN J. PROXMIRE
Kalamazoo County Sheriff’s Office, Michigan
End of Watch: Sunday, August 15, 2021

POLICE OFFICER JASON RAYNOR
Daytona Beach Police Department, Florida
End of Watch: Tuesday, August 17, 2021

OFFICER BLAIZE MADRID-EVANS
Independence Police Department, Missouri
End of Watch: Wednesday, September 15, 2021

SENIOR POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM JEFFREY
Houston Police Department, Texas
End of Watch: Monday, September 20, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF MATTHEW LOCKE
Hardin County Sheriff’s Department, Tennessee
End of Watch: Saturday, September 25, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF JOSHUA MOYERS
Nassau County Sheriff's Office, Florida
End of Watch: Sunday, September 26, 2021

SERGEANT NICK RISNER
Sheffield Police Department, Alabama
End of Watch: Saturday, October 2, 2021

GROUP SUPERVISOR MICHAEL G. GARBO
United States Drug Enforcement Administration
End of Watch: Monday, October 4, 2021

MASTER TROOPER ADAM GAUBERT
Louisiana State Police, Louisiana
End of Watch: Saturday, October 9, 2021

POLICE OFFICER DYLAN HARRISON
Alamo Police Department, Georgia
End of Watch: Saturday, October 9, 2021

CORRECTIONAL OFFICER IV TOAMALAMA SCANLAN
Fresno County Sheriff’s Office, California
End of Watch: Tuesday, October 12, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

DEPUTY CONSTABLE KAREEM ATKINS
Harris County Constable's Office - Precinct 4, Texas
End of Watch: Saturday, October 16, 2021

POLICE OFFICER YANDY CHIRINO
Hollywood Police Department, Florida
End of Watch: Sunday, October 17, 2021

POLICE OFFICER TYLER TIMMINS
Pontoon Beach Police Department, Illinois
End of Watch: Tuesday, October 26, 2021

SENIOR PATROLMAN SHERMAN OTTO BENYS, JR.
Kingsville Police Department, Texas
End of Watch: Thursday, November 4, 2021

POLICE OFFICER PARAMHANS DESAI
Henry County Police Department, Georgia
End of Watch: Monday, November 8, 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF LENA NICOLE MARSHALL
Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Georgia
End of Watch: Monday, November 8, 2021

POLICE OFFICER MICHAEL D. CHANDLER
Big Stone Gap Police Department, Virginia
End of Watch: Saturday, November 13, 2021
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE IN 2021

CORRECTIONS OFFICER RHONDA JEAN RUSSELL
Blair County Prison, Pennsylvania
End of Watch: Wednesday, November 17, 2021

POLICE OFFICER HENRY LAXSON
Clayton County Police Department, Georgia
End of Watch: Tuesday, November 30, 2021

CONTEXT NOTES

- On 11 March 2021, Deputy Sheriff Allen Burdic with the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office (OR) died as the result of complications of gunshot wounds sustained on 12 August 1980 while responding to a shooting in Myrtle Creek.

- On 15 March 2021, Police Officer Kevin Valencia with the Orlando Police Department (FL) succumbed to complications of gunshot wounds sustained on 11 June 2018 while responding to a domestic disturbance.

- On 23 May 2021, Detective Stephen Arnold with the Jefferson Parish Sheriff’s Office (LA) succumbed to gunshot wounds sustained on 26 January 2016, while serving a search warrant and arrest warrant.

- On 3 August 2021, Police Officer George Gonzalez with the Pentagon Force Protection Agency was killed in an unprovoked attack at the Pentagon's Transit Center in Arlington, Virginia. Various media reports, including from ABC News and Washington Post, state that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) confirmed that the suspect not only stabbed Officer Gonzalez, but also shot him with his own service weapon.

- On 10 October 2021, officers gave chase after a wanted suspect fled when they attempted to place the suspect under arrest. When they apprehended the suspect and began to place the suspect under arrest, a round was fired and an officer was struck. It was determined to be an inadvertent friendly fire. The suspect was arrested and found to have a handgun.

- On 12 October 2021, Correctional Officer IV Toamalama Scanlan with the Fresno County Sheriff’s Office (CA) died as the result of complications of gunshot wounds sustained on 3 September 2016 while attempting stop an armed suspect at the jail.
The National Fraternal Order of Police is the world’s oldest and largest organization of sworn law enforcement officers. We proudly represent more than 364,000 members from more than 2,100 lodges.

We are the voice of those who dedicate their lives to protecting and serving our communities. We are committed to improving the working conditions of law enforcement officers and the safety of those we serve through education, legislation, information, community involvement and employee representation. No one knows the dangers and the difficulties faced by today’s police officers better than another officer, and no one knows police officers better than the FOP.

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