

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

2021 YEAR TO DATE

**SHOT 314** 

KILLED 58

2020 FULL YEAR

**SHOT 312** 

KILLED 47

**2019** FULL YEAR

**SHOT 293** 

KILLED 50

# OFFICERS SHOT IN THE LINE OF DUTY THIS YEAR STATE-BY-STATE BREAKDOWN

ALABAMA	15	MAINE	0	OREGON	3
ALASKA	1	MARYLAND	7	PENNSYLVANIA	9
ARIZONA	5	MASSACHUSETTS	6	PUERTO RICO	3
ARKANSAS	4	MICHIGAN	4	RHODE ISLAND	0
CALIFORNIA	21	MINNESOTA	1	SOUTH CAROLINA	3
COLORADO	9	MISSISSIPPI	3	SOUTH DAKOTA	0
CONNECTICUT	0	MISSOURI	9	TENNESSEE	7
DELAWARE	3	MONTANA	1	TEXAS	42
FLORIDA	17	NEBRASKA	2	UTAH	5
GEORGIA	17	NEVADA	1	VERMONT	0
HAWAII	0	NEW HAMPSHIRE	0	VIRGINIA	6
IDAH0	3	<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	3	WASHINGTON	3
ILLINOIS	25	NEW MEXICO	6	WASHINGTON, D.C.	0
INDIANA	4	NEW YORK	10	WEST VIRGINIA	1
IOWA	3	NORTH CAROLINA	12	WISCONSIN	8
KANSAS	4	NORTH DAKOTA	0	WYOMING	0
KENTUCKY	5	OHIO	11	AM. SAMOA	0
LOUISIANA	6	OKLAHOMA	6	GUAM	0

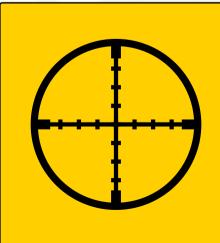
## **NATURE OF THE ATTACKS**

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.



# **AMBUSH-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:

<u>Ambushes of Police</u>. 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: <u>The Assailant Study: Mindset and Behavior</u>. 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 <u>Making It Safer</u>, 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 <u>Ambushes and Unprovoked Attacks: Assaults on Our Nation's Law Enforcement Officers</u>. 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 <u>2020 Year-End Summary on Law</u>

<u>Enforcement Officers Shot in the Line of Duty</u>, 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 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** 



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

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**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



**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



**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



**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



#### **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



**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



## **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



## **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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