

OFFICER NON-FATAL SHOOTINGS

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Chapter 50 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 709/5, mandates law enforcement agencies report to the I-UCR Program, incidents when a law enforcement officer discharges his or her firearm causing a non-fatal injury to a person during the performance of his or her official duties or in the line of duty. Firearm is defined as handgun, shotgun, or rifle. The injury incurred by the person does not need to be significant. A slight grazing from the projectile is sufficient cause to report the incident. Incidents when a bystander is an unintended victim of a shooting are also reported.

The following incidents are not reported as officer non-fatal shootings:

- Incidents when an officer discharges his/her firearm, but it does not result in an injury to the intended target or any other individual at the scene of the incident.
- Incidents when an officer accidentally discharges his/her firearm resulting in an injury to an individual.
- Incidents using what is considered to be a non-lethal weapon with rubber bullets or sandbags as projectiles.

Officer non-fatal shootings reporting was first mandated in 2017, with 669 Illinois law enforcement agencies reporting. Of the 18 incidents reported for 2021, three incidents involved two officers, and the remaining 15 incidents involved only one officer.

Reason for Contact	
Call for Service - Suspicious/Criminal Activity	11
Self-initiated - Suspicious/Criminal Activity	7

Location of Shooting	
Highway/Road/Alley/Street	8
Parking Lot/Garage	2
Residence/Home	4
Service/Gas Station	4

Offense Related to Offender	
Homicide	1
Robbery	1
Aggravated Assault	10
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
Aggravated Battery	4
Other Felony Offense	1

Offender Threaten and/or Resist	
Offender Threatened Officer(s)	4
Offender Resisted Officer(s)	4
Offender Threatened and Resisted Officer(s)	10
Offender Did Not Threaten or Resist Officer(s)	0

Offender Weapon	
Handgun	15
Rifle	0
Other Firearm	0
Knife/Cutting Instrument	2
Blunt Object	0
Hands/Fist/Feat	1
None	0

Offender Age	
Less than 20 years of age	0
20 to 29 years of age	9
30 to 39 years of age	8
40 to 49 years of age	1
50 to 59 years of age	0
60 to 69 years of age	0
Unknown	0

Offender Sex	
Female	0
Male	18

Offender Ethnicity	
Hispanic or Latino	2
Not Hispanic or Latino	16

Officer Age	
Less Than 20 years of age	0
20-29 years of age	3
30-39 years of age	9
40-49 years of age	4
50-59 years of age	2
60 and above	0
Unknown	0

Officer Sex	
Female	1
Male	17

Officer Race	
Asian	0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0
Black or African American	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
White	13

Officer Ethnicity	
Hispanic or Latino	3
Not Hispanic or Latino	15

Officer Duty Status	
On Duty	17
Off Duty	1

Officer Years of Service	
1 year of service	1
2 to 5 years of service	8
6 to 10 years of service	5
11 to 15 years of service	0
16 to 20 years of service	3
21 to 25 years of service	1
More than 26 years	0