



Ripley County Sheriff's Office ACTIVITY Report for 2013

Thomas J. Grills, Sheriff

Criminal Investigations:

The Ripley County Sheriff's Office reported 608 criminal cases during 2013, up 58 from 2012.

Out of the 608 criminal cases received, 373 were either closed or resulted in arrest, and 235 cases remain open, under investigation. That is an increase from 2012 at roughly 61% closure rating, up 5%. The most frequent charge for 2013 was theft, just as in 2012 and previous years, with 163.

A short breakdown is as follows:

- Alcohol related offenses- 117
- Drug related offenses- 86
- Misdemeanor/Felony traffic offenses- 42
- Juvenile Related Offenses- 31
- Domestic related offenses- 126
- Misc. Crimes against persons/ property- 324

Motor Vehicle Crashes:

Deputies investigated a total of 432 motor vehicle accidents. There were 371 property damage accidents, 61 personal injury accidents with 86 people being injured, and 1 fatality. The most frequent cause of accidents was an animal in the roadway; primarily deer.

Civil Process Service:

3,291 civil process papers were served in 2013. That's an increase of 350. Civil process includes subpoenas, summons, notification of sheriff's sales, eviction notices, small claims actions, complaints and tax warrants. Some of the decrease can be attributed to laws requiring the postings of Sheriff's Sales. Postings in the townships were removed from the law because of increased Internet availability. A total of 396 warrants were served, 293 by the Sheriff's Office. There were 328 firearm permits applied for, or renewed, through the Sheriff's Office, an increase of 118. Current governmental issues at the federal level could be a contributing factor.

Reserve Deputies:

Ripley County Reserve Officers worked over 1858.5 hours during 2013. That is about 154 hours extra man hours per month. That is almost another full time road deputy. Reserve officers served 741 civil process notices and 15 warrants.

Ripley County Jail:

There were **841** prisoners, an increase of 108 persons, booked into the facility with the most frequent charge being Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated.

The total number of inmate beds is **102** - 86 male and 16 female. The total does not include **20** Work Release beds, a temporary holding cell, a medical cell or the De-Tox cell.

- Total processed into the facility –**841**
- Average Daily Inmate Population -**91**
- Average Daily Males – **59**
- Average Daily Females – **14**
- Average Daily DOC Male Inmates – **15**
- Average Daily DOC Females - **1**
- Average Daily Other County Inmates – **2**
- Average Daily Work Release Inmates – **0**

- Average Daily HIC/CTP Inmates – **0**
- Total Jail and In-custody Deaths – **0**
- Total number of Juveniles incarcerated – **3**
- Total Number of Escapes –**0**

Bookings/Offenses

The following is a list of the top **(10)** ten identified types of book-ins/offenses at the Ripley County Jail in the year **2013**.

1. Operating While Intoxicated – **238**, increase of 76 from 2012.
2. Possession of Marijuana - **98**
3. Possession of Paraphernalia –**96**
4. Theft – **89**
5. Battery/Domestic Battery/On Law Enforcement – **84**
6. Possession of Cocaine/Narcotic/Controlled Substance –**78**
7. Check Deception/Fraud – **77**
8. Driving While Suspended – **46**
9. No Locals, hold for another facility - **45**
10. Resisting Law Enforcement – **39**
11. Illegal Consumption/Possession of Alcohol – **34**

Major Incidents

A total of **177** Incidents were documented by the Ripley County Jail Staff including: Inmate fights, critical medical incidents, destruction of jail property, facility trafficking, disrespecting jail staff, failure to obey rules, contraband found during shakedowns, etc.

Staffing/Training

The Jail Staff is at fourteen **(14)** Officers including the Jail Commander. Jail Staff completes all mandatory training for the year including: Adult CPR, Basic First Aid, Recognition of Medical/Mental Emergencies, Procedures for Medication Administration, Precautions for Communicable Diseases, Acute Chronic Illness, Taser, Firearms (where applicable) and ILEA Basic Jail Officer Course (where applicable)

Revenue:

The total billed to other facilities for housing was \$202,720.00. That was a considerable increase to 2012; roughly \$71, 400.00.

Transport Mileage:

Ripley County Deputies and Jail Officers traveled a total of 45,319 miles transporting prisoners to court appointments, extraditions, and doctor's and dentist appointments.

CRIMINAL COURT CASE FILING

There were 625 cases filed through the courts for all law enforcement agencies in the county, up 55 from last year. These are arrests the Prosecutor's Office filed charges on through the courts. The Sheriff's Office ranked first again with 263. The Indiana State Police was next with 107 and Batesville PD was third with 106.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CALLS FOR SERVICE

There were 6,718 calls for law enforcement assistance logged into Ripley County Communications in 2013. Of those 6,718 calls, the Sheriff's Office handled 4,509, or roughly 67%. The next closest agency was Milan with 466. The rest of the agencies made up the difference. These calls range from criminal complaints, to crashes, to dog complaints.

~ Note from Sheriff Grills ~

"I would like to thank the citizens of Ripley County for your patience during our service to you. As you can see from these statistics, it appears our workload is more than any other agency in the county by far. We will continue to use our resources the best we can, and what is available to us, to continue to provide the best possible law enforcement to the you and the community. Your assistance and patience will continue to allow the Sheriff's Office to provide the most effective law enforcement through energy and efficiency."