

BEAUMONT / PORT ARTHUR AREA INFORMATION – 2005 DATA

The following 2 tables provide information for 5 law enforcement agencies, taken from data self-reported by each agency. The tables are divided into 3 sections:

- The first section has 2 questions that address each agency's required compliance with the racial profiling law. *The answers to these questions should be **yes**.*
- The second section (in orange) has 2 questions that address each agency's non-required implementation of smarter policing practices. *Ideally, the answers to these questions would be **yes**.*
- The third section has 4 questions that address each agency's consent search practices. *Ideally, the answers to these questions would be **no**.*

If an agency's "answers" are not what we advise they be, it may be due to difficulties complying with the data collection and reporting provisions of the law. For suggestions that may help to address these problems, please read our report recommendations.

The following law enforcement agencies are included in this fact sheet:

Beaumont Police Department
Jefferson County Sheriff's Office
Lumberton Police Department
Port Arthur Police Department
Silsbee Police Department

Major Findings:

- All 5 agencies reported all Tier 1 data elements
- All 5 agencies broke out all Tier 1 data elements by race

- 2 of 5 agencies provided additional, non-required data elements information
- No agencies included specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy

- 4 of 5 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005
- 1 of 5 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005
- 3 of 5 agencies conducted more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)
- 4 of 5 agencies had consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)

	Beaumont Police Department	Port Arthur Police Department	Jefferson County Sheriff's Office
<i>Did the law enforcement agency...</i>			
Report all Tier 1 data elements?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Break out all Tier 1 data elements by race?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Provide additional, non-required data elements?	No	No	Yes
Include specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy?	No	No	No
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 110% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 320% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	No – Agency was 50% less likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005?	No – Agency was equally likely to consent search Latinos and Anglos	Agency conducted no consent searches of Latinos	No – Agency was 10% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos
Conduct more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)?	No – Agency conducted 1.9 consent searches per 100 stops	No – Agency conducted 0.4 consent searches per 100 stops	Yes – Agency conducted 4.8 consent searches per 100 stops (<i>this is more than 2 times the state average</i>)
Have consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)?	Yes – 60.2% of searches were consent searches (<i>this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during the majority of searches</i>)	Yes – 67.4% of searches were consent searches (<i>this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during the majority of searches</i>)	No – 32.6% of searches were consent searches

	Silsbee Police Department	Lumberton Police Department
<i>Did the law enforcement agency...</i>		
Report all Tier 1 data elements?	Yes	Yes
Break out all Tier 1 data elements by race?	Yes	Yes
Provide additional, non-required data elements?	No	Yes
Include specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy?	No	No
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 30% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 50% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005?	No – Agency was 30% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 10% more likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos
Conduct more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)?	Yes – Agency conducted 10.6 consent searches per 100 stops <i>(this is more than 5 times the state average)</i>	Yes – Agency conducted 6 consent searches per 100 stops <i>(this is 3 times the state average)</i>
Have consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)?	Yes – 100% of searches were consent searches <i>(this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during any searches)</i>	Yes – 79.6% of searches were consent searches <i>(this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during the vast majority of searches)</i>