

## MIDLAND / ODESSA AREA INFORMATION – 2005 DATA

The following table provides information for 3 law enforcement agencies, taken from data self-reported by each agency. The table is 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:***

Big Spring Police Department  
Midland Police Department  
Odessa Police Department

### **Major Findings:**

- All 3 agencies reported all Tier 1 data elements
- 1 of 3 agencies did not break out all Tier 1 data elements by race
  
- 2 of 3 agencies provided additional, non-required data elements information
- 2 of 3 agencies included specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy
  
- All 3 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005
- All 3 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005
- 2 of 3 agencies conducted more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)
- 2 of 3 agencies had consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)

	Midland Police Department	Odessa Police Department	Big Spring Police Department
<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	No	Yes
Provide additional, non-required data elements?	Yes	No	Yes
Include specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy?	Yes	Yes	No
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 300% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 230% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 10% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 110% more likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	Yes – Agency was 20% more 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 6.3 consent searches per 100 stops ( <i>this is more than 3 times the state average</i> )	Yes – Agency conducted 3.1 consent searches per 100 stops	No – Agency conducted 0.2 consent searches per 100 stops
Have consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)?	Yes – 86.9% 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> )	Yes – 53.8% 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 – 4.3% of searches were consent searches