

Table 1. Arrests and Traffic Citations, 2010-2012

	Race	Service Population %	Overall Arrests	Traffic Stops, Citations, and Warnings		
				Citations	Warnings	Stops
Blacksburg	White	81.0%	70.3%	80.5%	?	?
	Black	4.0	8.4	6.8	?	?
Christiansburg	White	89.5	84.7	87.7	?	?
	Black	6.2	13.4	7.0	?	?
Montgomery County	White	85.4	60.6	83.7	?	?
	Black	3.9	11.0	9.2	?	?

Summary of table:

In all three jurisdictions blacks are arrested at substantially higher rates than whites. Blacks also receive more traffic citations. Other data are needed to determine whether the disproportionate rates of arrests and citations are warranted or whether they may be the results of racial profiling.

We are currently planning a system to collect demographic and disposition data on all traffic stops, which should give indications of whether the racially disproportionate citations are warranted. This data may also provide some information on the racially disproportionate rate of arrests.