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### Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. **Board of Directors Virtual Meeting** *August 13, 2021*



Position 1 - Dr. Stacey Mitchell, Board Chair Position 2 - Anna Vasquez Position 3 - Philip Hilder Position 4 - Francisco Medina Position 5 - Vanessa Goodwin Position 6 - Ellen Cohen Position 7 - Lois J. Moore Position 8 - Mary Lentschke, Vice Chair Position 9 - Vicki Huff Ex-Officio - Tracy Calabrese

#### HOUSTON FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER, INC.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PUBLIC ACCESS WILL BE VIA TELECONFERENCE ONLY August 13, 2021

In accordance with Texas Governor Greg Abbott's temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, issued March 16, 2020, notice is hereby given that beginning at 9 a.m. on the date set out above, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. (the "Corporation," or "HFSC") will meet via videoconference (Microsoft Teams.) HFSC is conducting this virtual meeting to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face interactions and to slow the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19.)

Gov. Abbott's <u>temporary suspension of certain open meetings laws</u> was issued in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Gov. Abbott specifically suspended certain provisions of the law, which required government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. The relevant suspensions are in effect until terminated by the Office of the Governor or until the Governor's disaster declaration is lifted or expires. Accordingly, this meeting will not take place in a specified physical location for the public to attend in person, however, the virtual meeting will be available to the public and allow for two-way communication between the Board and members of the public.

As required and in accordance with the Governor's temporary suspension, notice of this meeting, the agenda and the meeting packet are posted online at <u>https://houstonforensicscience.org/meeting-archives.php</u>. The items listed in the agenda may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Chair. After the conclusion of the meeting, a recording thereof will be posted to <u>www.houstonforensicscience.org</u>.

#### Attending the virtual meeting

The public is not required to create an account to attend the meeting online and the videoconference can be accessed, free of charge.

To attend the videoconference meeting via computer, <u>click here to join</u>.

or go to https://houstonforensicscience.org/meeting-archives.php

In addition to the required free videoconference link, members of the public may call into the meeting by dialing the following toll-free teleconference number and entering the subsequent conference ID number: 833-231-4459 **Conference ID**: 2277257#

#### Callers must mute themselves upon dialing into the meeting to limit interruptions.

To attend the meeting using a mobile device and through the free videoconference link, the Microsoft Teams mobile application ("app") must be downloaded (free of charge) to the device. After downloading the app, proceed to the link above and you will be directed to the videoconference, through the app. However, members of the public must be muted to minimize disruption of the meeting.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

The public is permitted to speak during the public comment agenda item and as permitted by the Chair. However, requests to speak during the public comment period must be submitted via email to the HFSC Secretary of the Board at: info@houstonforensicscience.org no later than 9 a.m. Thursday, August 12, 2021.

The request must include the speaker's name, contact number, address and topic of the comment. Speakers should limit their comments to three minutes. The Board Chair may limit both the number of speakers and the time allotted for each speaker. The Chair will call on each speaker by name, during the designated public comment period.

If you have questions regarding attending this virtual meeting please contact Amanda DeBerry, secretary of the Board of Directors, at 713-204-8179.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Roll call; confirmation of presence of quorum.
- 3. Public Comment.
- 4. Reading of draft minutes from July 9, 2021 board meeting. Consideration of proposed corrections, if any. Approval of minutes.
- 5. Report from Dr. Stacey Mitchell, board chair, including, a monthly update of activities and other announcements.
- 6. Discussion regarding recommendations from the July 6, 2021 City of Houston Office of Inspector General report on the crime scene unit ("CSU") and possible related action.
  - a. Report from Dr. Peter Stout, president and CEO, and Ms. Carina Haynes, CSU director, regarding CSU staffing, schedules, recent operational changes and possible related action.

Reports and presentations by corporate officers, and possible related action items

- 7. Report from Dr. Stout regarding turnaround times, staffing, outreach and an increase in requests and complexity of testing in various forensic disciplines.
- 8. Report from Dr. Amy Castillo, vice president and COO, including an overview of the long-term work from home arrangements and schedules and an update on the backlog timeline in forensic biology/DNA.
- 9. Presentation from Mr. David Leach, treasurer and CFO, regarding approval of proposed fiscal year 2021 budget reallocations and possible related action.
- 10. Quarterly treasurer's report from Mr. Leach, regarding company financials and other fiscal updates.

#### Reports and presentations by staff

- 11. Report from Ms. Erika Ziemak, quality director, including an overview of the blind quality control program, accreditation assessment, disclosures, complaints, survey responses and testimony monitoring.
- 12. Presentation from Mr. Charles Evans, business development director, including an update on scope, actions, timetable and key facility issues related to a proposed evidence consolidation project.
- 13. Adjournment.

#### Certification of Electronic Posting of Notice of the Board of Directors ("the Board) of the Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. (the "Corporation)

I, Amanda DeBerry, secretary, do hereby certify that a notice of this meeting was posted online at https://houstonforensicscience.org/meeting-archives.php on Tuesday, the 10th day of August, 2021, as required by Section 551.043 et seq., Texas Government Code and in accordance with Governor Abbott's March 16, 2020 temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Given under my hand this the 10th day of August 2021.

Amanda DeBerry Amanda DeBerry

#### **Open Meeting Laws Subject to Temporary Suspension**

Effective March 16, 2020, and subject to the following conditions, the following statutory provisions are temporarily suspended to the extent necessary to allow telephonic or videoconference meetings and to avoid congregate settings in physical locations:

• those that require a quorum or a presiding officer to be physically present at the specified location of the meeting; provided, however, that a quorum still must participate in the telephonic or videoconference meeting o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.122(b)

- o Tex. Gov"T Code § 551.127(a-3), (b)−(c), (e), (h)−(i)
- o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.130(c)−(d), (i)
- TEX. GOV'T CODE § 322.003(d), (e)(2)
- TEX. GOV'T CODE § 845.007(f)(2)
- o Tex. Gov't Code § 855.007(f)(2)
- o Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 74.102(f)
- o TEX. INS. CODE § 2151.057(d)(1)
- o Tex. Local Gov't Code § 379B.0085(a)

those that require physical posting of a notice; provided, however, that the online notice must include a toll-free dial-in number or a free-of-charge videoconference link, along with an electronic copy of any agenda packet o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.043(b)(2)–(3)
TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.049–551.051

• those that require the telephonic or videoconference meeting to be audible to members of the public who are physically present at the specified location of the meeting; provided, however, that the dial-in number or videoconference link provided in the notice must make the meeting audible to members of the public and allow for their two-way communication; and further provided that a recording of the meeting must be made available to the public o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.121(f)(1)

- TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.122(d)
- TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.125(e)−(f)
- o Tex. Gov't Code § 551.126(d)(1)
- o Tex. Gov't Code § 551.127(f), (j)
- o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.130(e)−(f)
- TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.131(e)(1)
- TEX. GOV<sup>\*</sup>T CODE § 322.003(e)(3)
- o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 436.054(e)
- o TEX. GOV<sup>\*</sup>T CODE § 845.007(f)(3)
- o TEX. GOV'T CODE § 855.007(f)(3)
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- TEX. AGRIC. CODE § 41.1565(c)−(d)
- o TEX. AGRIC. CODE § 41.205(d)−(e)
- o TEX. AGRIC. CODE § 62.0021(c)−(d)
- o TEX. EDUC. CODE § 66.08(h)(2)(B)
- o Tex. Fam. Code § 264.504(e)
- TEX. FIN. CODE § 11.106(c)(4)−(5)
- o TEX. FIN. CODE § 154.355(d)(2)−(3)
- TEX. INS. CODE § 462.059(a)(1), (c)
- TEX. INS. CODE § 463.059(d)

- TEX. INS. CODE § 2151.057(e)
- o TEX. INS. CODE § 2210.1051(b)(2)−(3)
- o TEX. INS. CODE § 2211.0521(b)(2)−(3)
- o TEX. LOCAL GOV'T CODE § 379B.0085(b)(2)−(3)
- TEX. SPEC. LOC. DIST. CODE § 9601.056(c)
- o TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 173.106(e)−(f)
- TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 366.262(c)–(d)
- TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 370.262(c)–(d)

those that may be interpreted to require face-to-face interaction between members of the public and public officials; provided, however, that governmental bodies must offer alternative methods of communicating with their public officials. O TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.007(b)
TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.125(b)(1), (d)

These suspensions are in effect until terminated by the Office of the Governor, or until the March 13, 2020 disaster declaration is lifted or expires.



Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc.

Board of Directors Virtual Meeting ~ Minutes ~

Friday, July 9, 2021

www.houstonforensicscience.org

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

At 9 a.m., Board Chairwoman Stacey Mitchell called the meeting to order.

The Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. ("HFSC" and/or the "corporation") board of directors (the "board") convened this meeting on Friday, July 9, 2021. In a manner permitted by the corporation's Bylaws, the meeting was called by providing all directors with notice of the date, time (instructions for Microsoft Teams access and call-in options) and purposes of the meeting at least three days before the date of the meeting.

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams, a web-conferencing platform. The board members participated by videoconference in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code and Governor Greg Abbott's March 16, 2020 temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was posted online to the <u>website</u> on August 10 along with a free-of-charge videoconference link, dial-in phone number and an electronic copy of the agenda packet, as required.

#### 2. <u>ROLL CALL</u>:

The following board members were present via teleconference:

Chairwoman Stacey Mitchell	
Vice Chairwoman Mary Lentschke	
Philip Hilder	
Francisco Medina	
Vanessa Goodwin	
Ellen Cohen	
Lois Moore	
Vicki Huff	
Tracy Calabrese	

The following board member arrived late:

Anna Vasquez

Chairwoman Mitchell announced a quorum was present.

\*Director Vasquez joined the meeting at 9:17 a.m. as the executive session convened.

#### 3. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>:

Chairwoman Mitchell gave members of the public an opportunity to address the board. No members of the public addressed the board.

#### 4. <u>REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING</u>:

Following a motion by Director Ellen Cohen and seconded by Director Philip Hilder, the board unanimously approved the July 9, 2021 meeting minutes.

#### 5. CHAIRWOMAN MITCHELL'S REPORT:

The chairwoman announced the Houston City Council approved the reappointment to HFSC's board directors Philip Hilder, Lois Moore and Vicki Huff for another three-year term. She thanked them for their commitment and work. She also noted her reappointment to serve as board chair for another three-year term. She shared her continued excitement and appreciation to serve as the presiding officer. Chairwoman Mitchell then welcomed Director Vanessa Goodwin, a newly appointed board member. Director Goodwin is the assistant general counsel at Arnold Ventures and is responsible for supporting the organization's overall legal affairs.

#### 6. <u>DISCUSSION REGARDING RESUMING IN-PERSON BOARD MEETINGS</u>:

Chairwoman Mitchell noted fully virtual board meetings will end in September since Gov. Greg Abbott has decided not to continue the suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meeting Act, which permitted such meetings during the pandemic. She stated at that time the board will have to meet in-person. However, she reminded the board that General Counsel Akilah Mance previously explained a hybrid option being available in the current statute. This provision allows for some members to join the meeting virtually so long as the presiding officer and a quorum of directors are physically present in a publicly accessible location. Chairwoman Mitchell asked the board members if they're comfortable with returning to full in-person meetings at the annex or if they need to consider a hybrid meeting? And, if the board wanted to be proactive and make this change in location for the August meeting or wait until the September meeting when it's required? She then opened the floor for further discussion. The board reached a consensus to meet virtually in August and to explore options for hybrid meetings once in-person is required in September, noting this could allow board members who are unable to attend in person to still join the meeting.

#### 7. <u>CLOSED MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>:

The board convened in a closed meeting, also referred to as executive session. The executive session was held in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.074(a), et seq., for the purpose of consulting with the corporation's attorney and deliberating or discussing an annual performance evaluation and the appointment or employment of Dr. Peter Stout, president and CEO.

Chairwoman Mitchell closed the open meeting at 9:14 a.m. and convened the executive session, by videoconference, at 9:17 a.m.

#### 8. <u>RECONVENE INTO OPEN MEETING AND DISCUSSION OR ACTION RELATED TO</u> <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>:

At 11:32 a.m., Chairwoman Mitchell reconvened the open meeting. She announced a quorum was present.

She first acknowledged the board received a final report from the City of Houston Office of Inspector General ("OIG") investigation into allegations regarding a hostile work environment and mismanagement in HFSC's crime scene unit. The board referred the complaint to the OIG in January

after receiving an anonymous letter detailing the complaint. Chairwoman Mitchell stated the board would consider the recommendations of the report during the August board meeting.

Next, Director Hilder made a motion to raise Dr. Stout's salary by 3% effective August 7, 2021. Director Francisco Medina seconded the motion, and the board unanimously approved the raise.

Director Cohen then made a motion to extend and renew Dr. Stout's employment contract and authorize Chairwoman Mitchell and her designees to act on behalf of the board regarding contract negotiations, and Director Lois Moore seconded the motion. Before any discussion was held, Director Medina moved to amend the motion to say, "extend or renew" Dr. Stout's employment contract, and Director Cohen accepted the additional language as a friendly amendment. Director Moore then seconded that amendment which was adopted without any further discussion by the board. The board unanimously approved the motion along with the amendment.

Lastly, Director Vicki Huff made a motion for the board to present its plan to respond to the OIG report at their August meeting and discuss measures to prevent such circumstances in the future. Director Moore seconded the motion, and the board unanimously approved the motion.

#### 9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>:

Chairwoman Mitchell requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Moore made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chair Mary Lentschke seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:39 am.

The undersigned secretary of the board hereby certifies the following are true and correct minutes of the July 9, 2021 virtual meeting of the "board.

By: Amanda DeBerry

Amanda DeBerry, Secretary

# Crime Scene Unit

### July Stats



Homicides – 26 OIS - 6Vehicles - 71 Agg Assault – 22 Agg Robbery – 3 Child Death – 1 Death Inv – 4 Other – 5

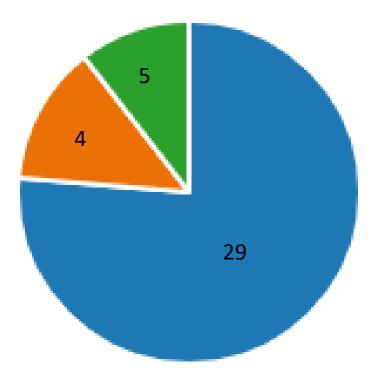
Total calls for service: 138

Averaging 4.4 calls per day

### **Scheduling Survey**

### **First choice**

- Stay on one shift for a year
- Work two shifts; rotating at the six months
- Stay on current schedule; rotating at the four month mark



### Open comment from CSIs

"I just would like one shift the whole year for more stability. I am fine with rotating weekends off to be fair for everyone."

"Bringing back the possibility of swapping work days with another person on the same work scheduled so you don't have to used up all of your vacation."

"Moving to a fixed schedule is far more practical for the majority of the unit as everyone can now have more predictability in their life and work balance."

### **Supervisor Schedules**



- Moved from salaried to hourly, effective July 24<sup>th</sup>
- Will move to Monday Thursday, Thursday – Sunday schedule rotation to mirror the CSIs schedule
  - Effective August 21st
  - Allows for true time off
  - On call compensation

### National Forensic Academy



 Interviews for Sept 13 – Nov 16 class

• Two candidates selected. Both have prior experience.

• Peer panels utilized in interview process.

# Immediate need

### Training supervisor

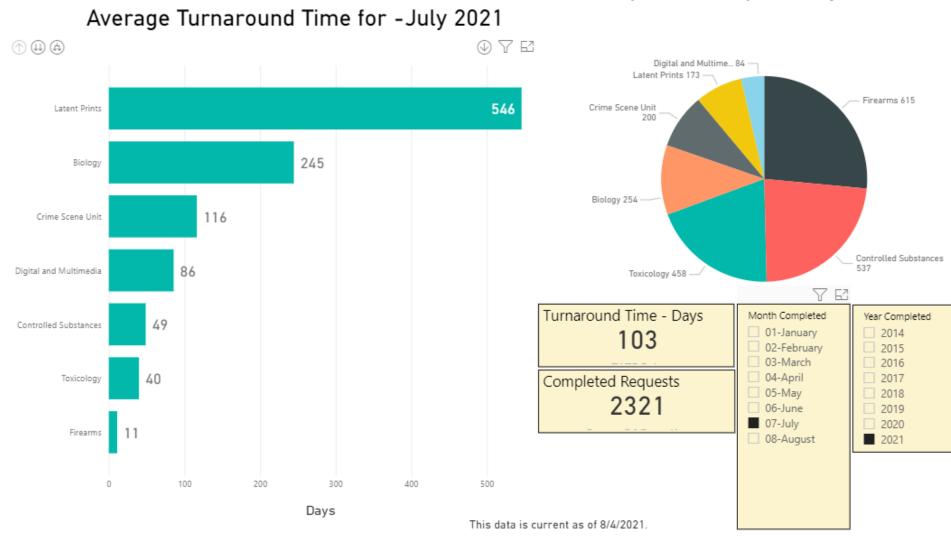
- Five (5) CSIs training
- Four (4) need additional scenes for sign off
- Experience CSI (1) beginning Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>
- Two (2) NFA trainees return Nov 19<sup>th</sup>

### Additional administrative support

• More CSIs means more miscellaneous administrative tasks (such as maintenance, equipment and supplies)

# President's Report

August 13, 2021



#### Requests Completed by Section

## Staffing as of August 2, 2021

#### 209 staff

- 201 HFSC employees
- 7 City of Houston civilians
- 1 toxicology fellow (Army)

### 8 open positions, 4 offers accepted

- 1 crime scene investigator
- 1 latent print examiner
- 1 latent print support specialist (new)
- 1 NIBIN technician (new)

#### 4 active vacancies

- 1 crime scene investigator (experienced)
- 2 crime scene investigators (entry level)\*
- 1 forensic biology/DNA analyst

\*New positions for FY22 budget

### 4 vacancies on hold

- 1 crime scene investigator (experienced)
- 1 forensic biology/DNA analyst
- 1 seized drugs analyst
- 1 latent print examiner



### Degrees and Certifications

- Alexandra Lehosky, crime scene investigator
  - Master of Forensic Science, Stevenson University
- Michael Salazar, seized drugs analyst
  - Drug analyst certification, American Board of Criminalistics (ABC)
- Jose Ramirez, multimedia
  - Certified Forensics Examiner, computer forensics
     Global Information Assurance Certification (GIAC) Program







### Outreach

- Tour of proposed property room facility with council members, board members
- Updates on property room proposal for Council Member Gallegos and Council Member Pollard's staff
- Tours of HFSC: Council Member Travis' and Ciscneros' staff, Council Member Plummer, Council Member Peck, Council Member Jackson, board members Vicki Huff, Ellen Cohen, Philip Hilder and Vanessa Goodwin, former board members Janet Blancett and Donna Cole
- Drug presentation to Epidemiology Lifespan Prevention Group
- Presented to Michigan forensic science task force
- Presentation and HFSC tour for Fort Bend ISD teachers as part of daylong "externship" with staff presentations



### Staff outreach

- Mary Georges of forensic biology/DNA presented virtually to 50 elementary school students in Washington, D.C.
- Amber Smith of forensic biology/DNA and Dr. Dayong Lee, toxicology manager, presented to HFSC's summer interns
- CSI Maiya Griffin presented at the HPD academy
- Forensic biology/DNA analysts Amanda Napp, Mary Hall and Clay Davis gave a tour to a 9-year-old boy who is interested in forensics

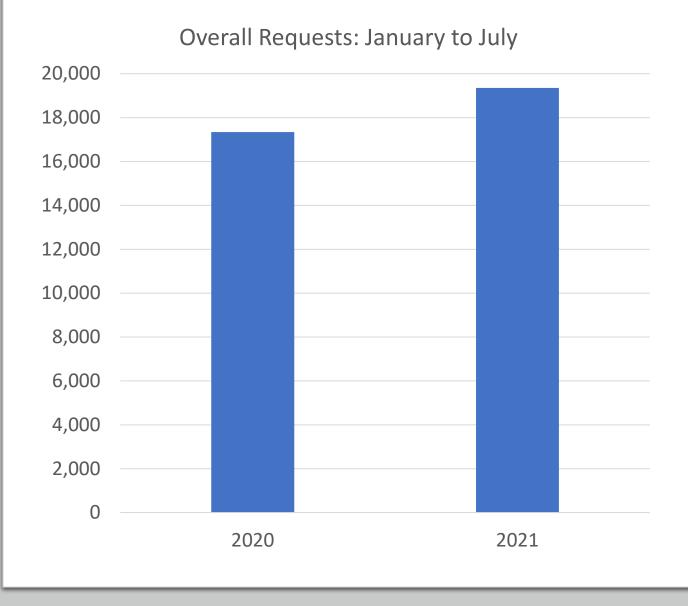
# HFSC by the numbers

Firearms, NIBIN, DNA, seized drugs

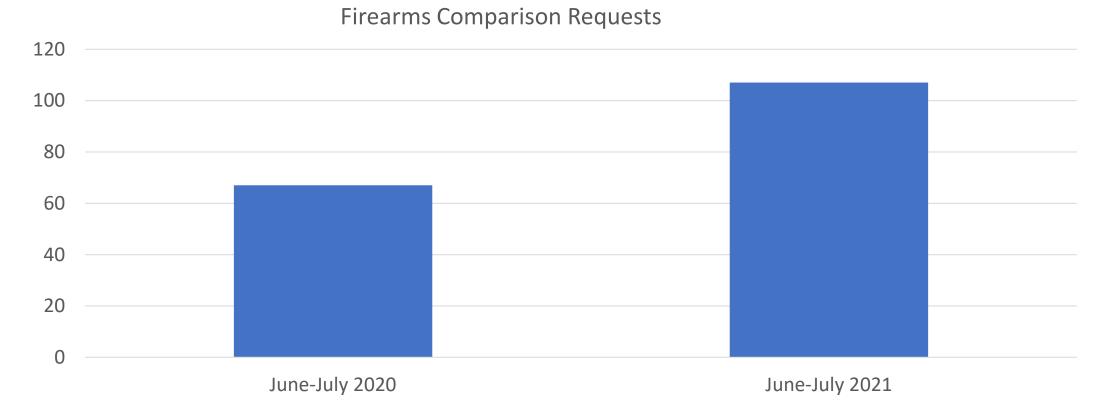


### Increasing requests: January 1 to July 31

- 14 percent increase
- Largely driven by CSU, NIBIN and DNA, but increases in other disciplines as well

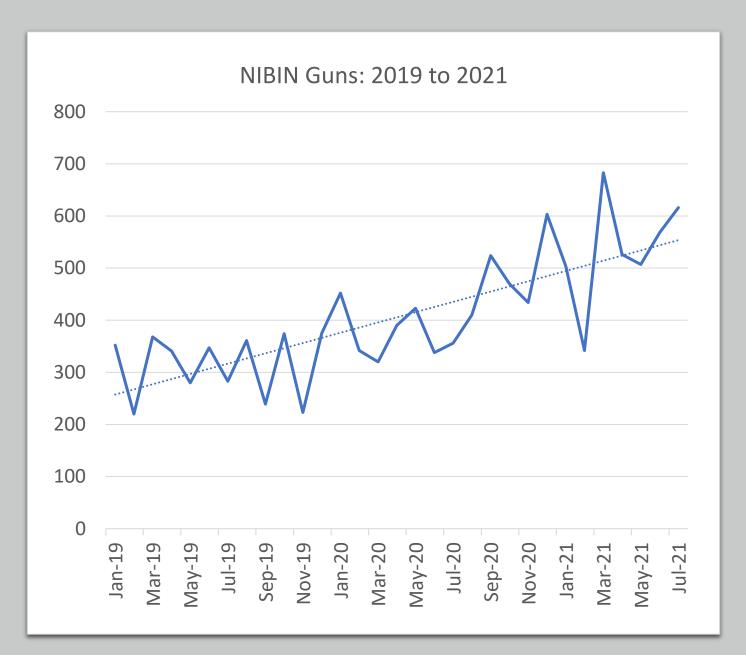


### Firearms examination: June and July – 2020 vs. 2021



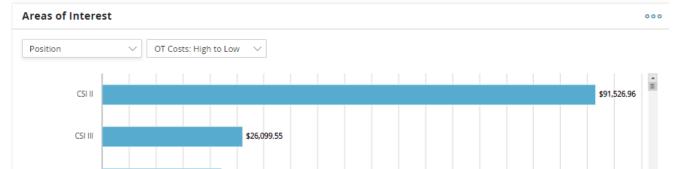
# NIBIN: 2019 to 2021





### Overtime: 3,900 hours





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NIBIN TECH I

SUPV CRIME SCENE

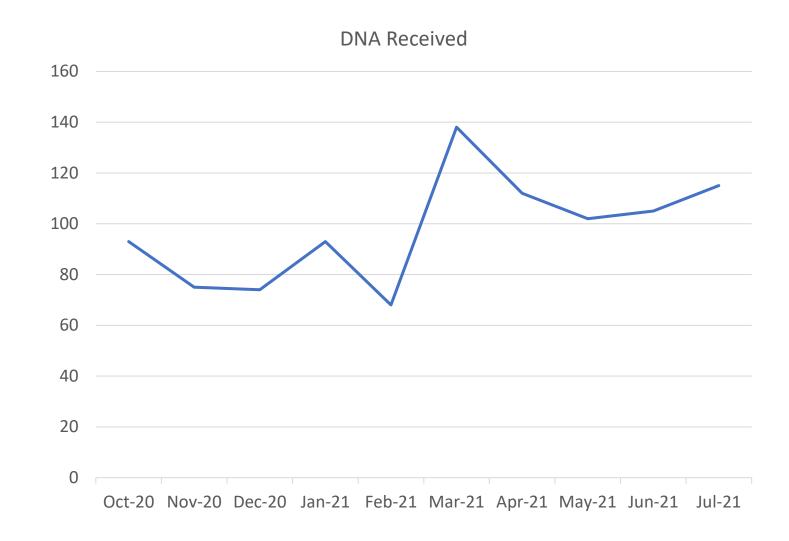
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### Forensic biology/DNA

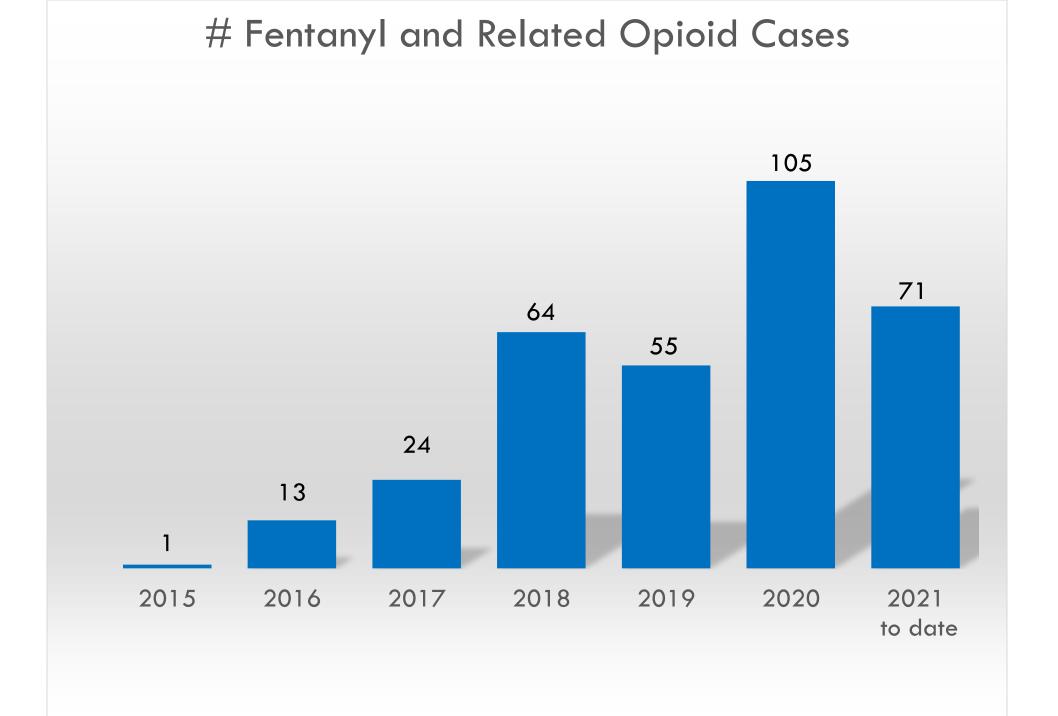




# Seized Drugs

Complexity=Time





### Fake pharmaceuticals



### More fake pharmaceuticals



### More fake pharmaceuticals



### More fake pharmaceuticals

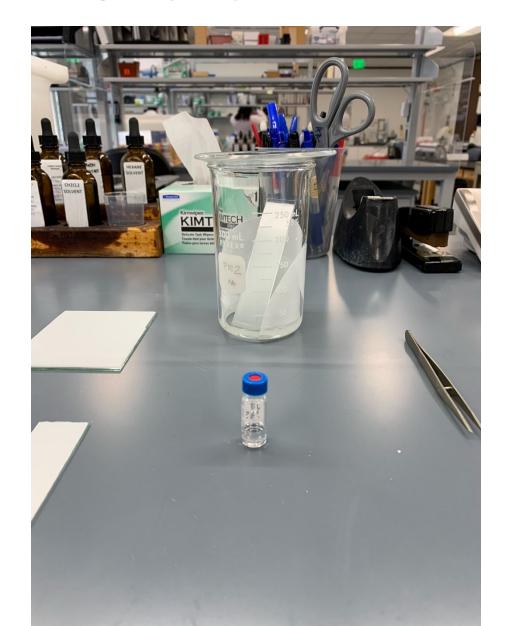


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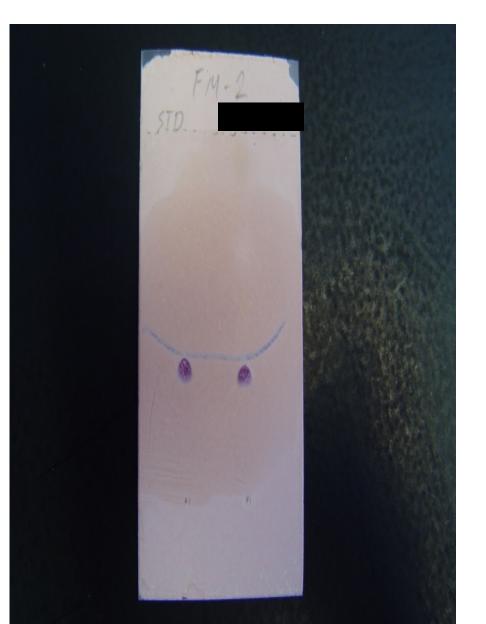
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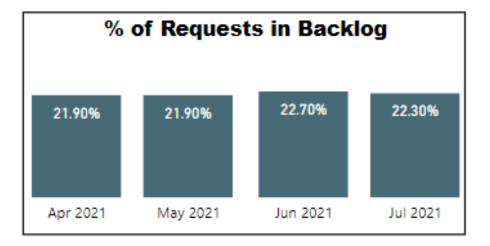




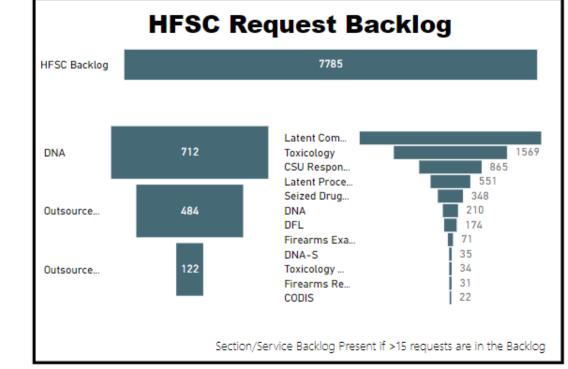
# **Operations Report**

August 13, 2021

## July 2021 Company Overview



#### **HFSC Request Turnaround Time** HFSC TATR (Past 30 Days) 99 92 HFSC TATR(Past 90 Days) CODIS DME Latent Comparison 295 Reprint Report (Inactive) Latent Processing 258 Digital Call Out 195 CSU Response 114 DFL 106 Firearms Reprint 86 Firearms Examination 83 CODIS 6 Seized Drugs Examinati... 48 Blood Alcohol 302 DNA AV Examination AV Call Out NIBIN Only CSCM Tox Accession 3 IBHT Reprint 2 At this time the CODIS 2 CSCM Tox Rejection Latent Print Cleared Ca... TAT is not included in the Stop Work Notification 105 Overall HFSC TAT Toxicology



## Highlights

- Section plans for work locations: post-COVID world
- DNA backlog updated timeline



# Analytical

## Sections/parts of sections onsite full time

**Crime Scene Unit** 

Seized drugs

**Firearms and NIBIN** 

**Digital multimedia** 

Latent print processing

Forensic biology/DNA screeners and technicians/CODIS

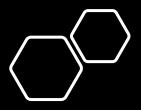
## Analytical

### Sections/parts of sections with hybrid schedules

**DNA analysts:** Most analysts onsite full time. Work from home utilized for some training, virtual conferences and some steps in the DNA workflow. Analysts assigned to outsource reviews may work 100% remote.

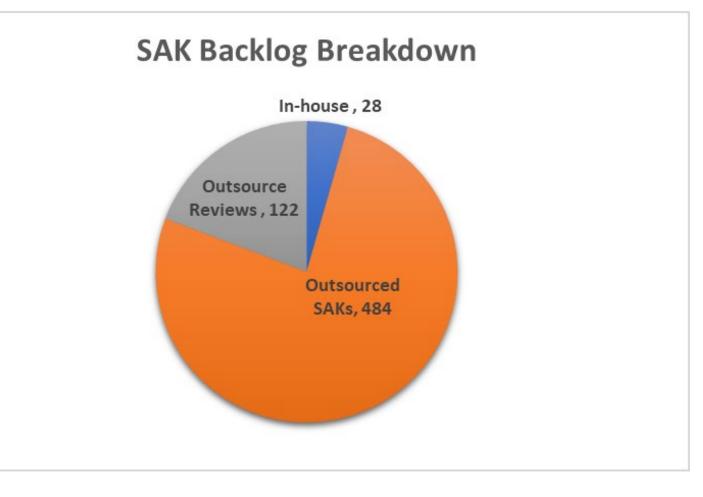
**Toxicology:** Staff will be onsite 3 days a week. All staff onsite Wednesdays.

Latent print comparisons: Examiners onsite one day a week. Some examiners will be onsite full time.

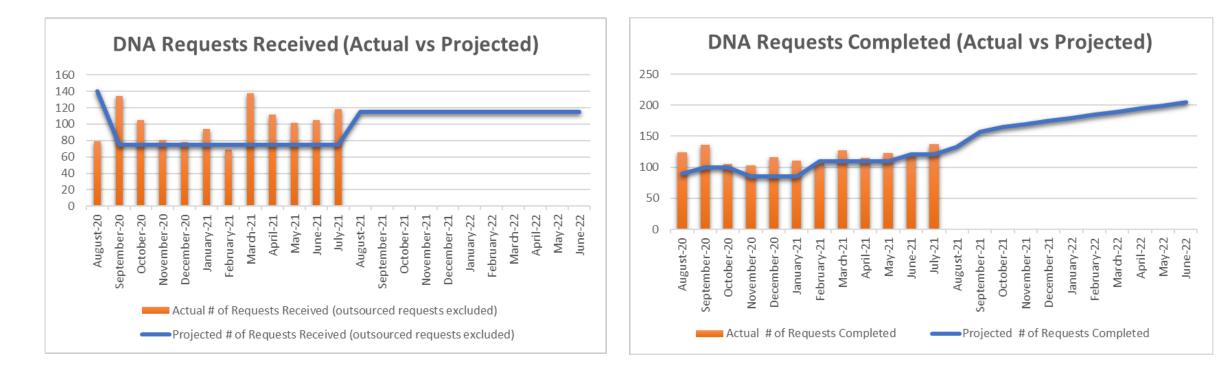


## DNA Backlog Status

Total backlog: 1,318 SAK backlog: 634

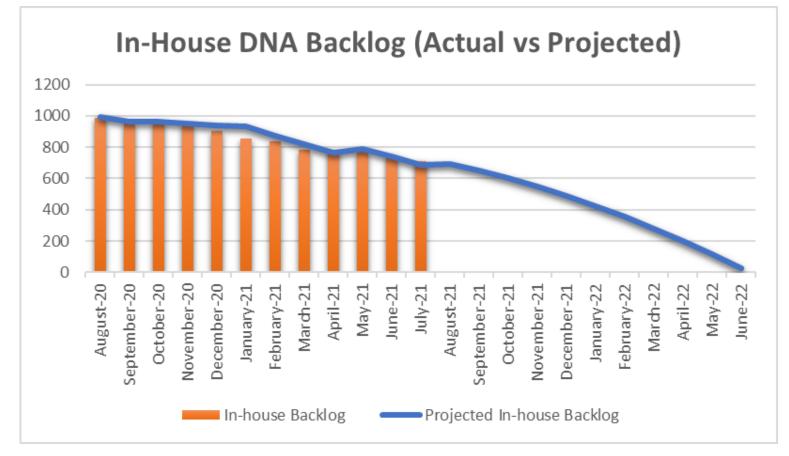


## In-house DNA requests





## Updated Backlog Clearance Timeline



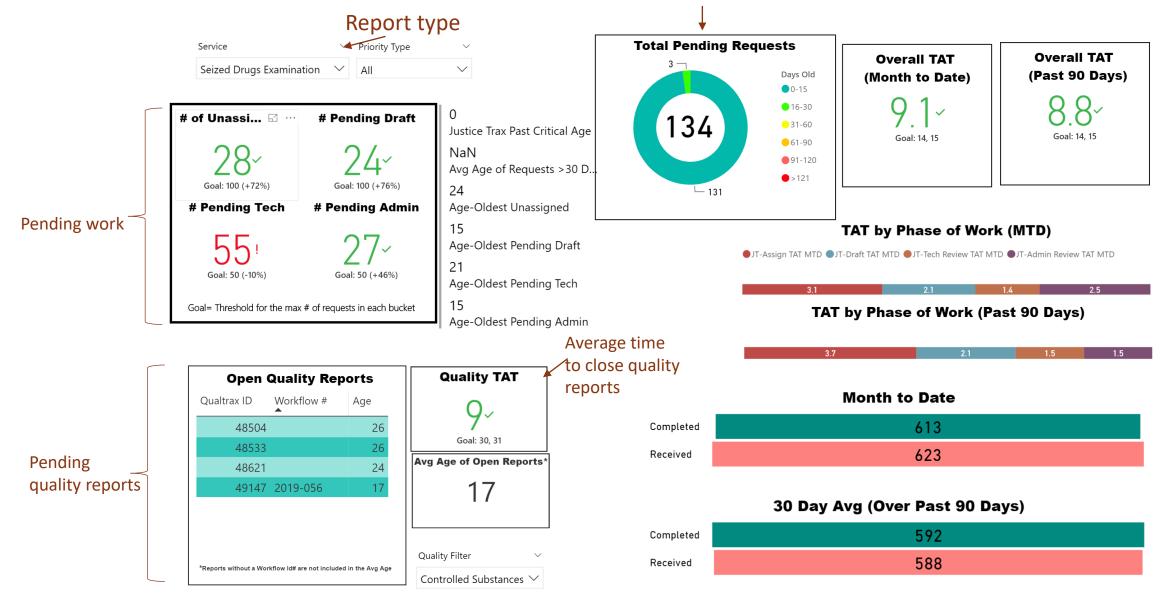




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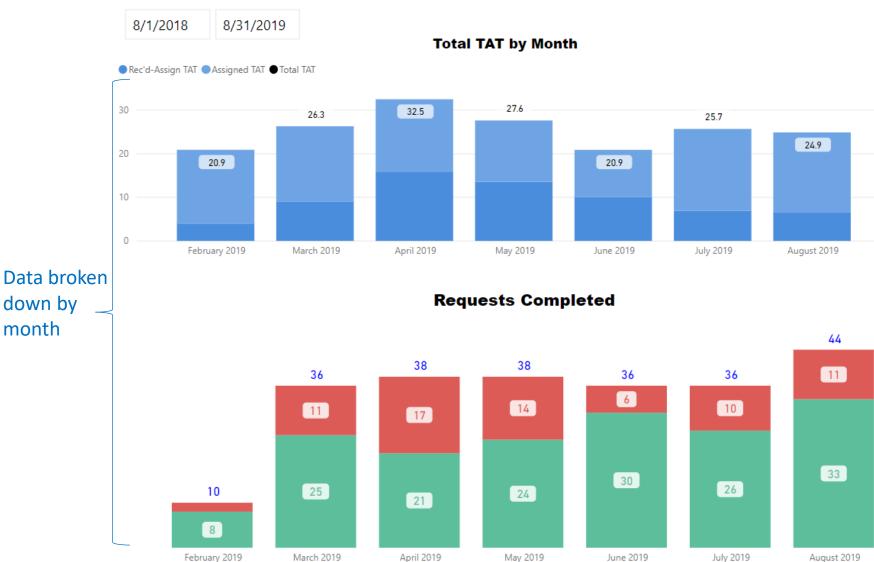
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TAT= Turnaround Time MTD= Month to date Critical age=30 days Critical pending=requests open over 30 days

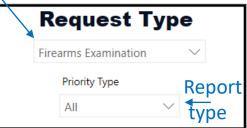
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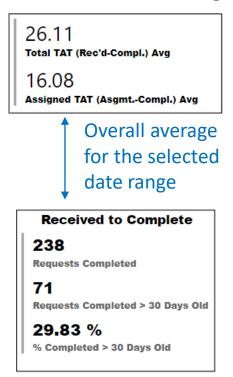


Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

Type of testing



### **Selected Time Frame Averages**



Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

### TAT= Turnaround Time

down by

month

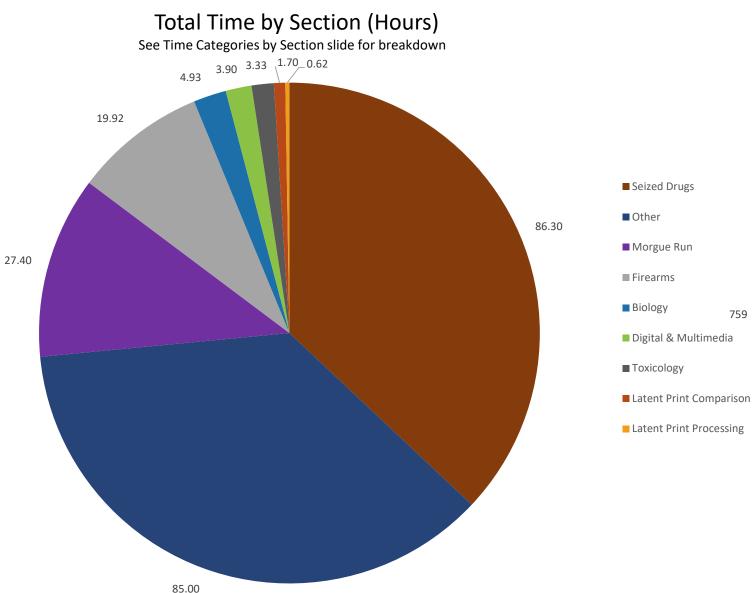
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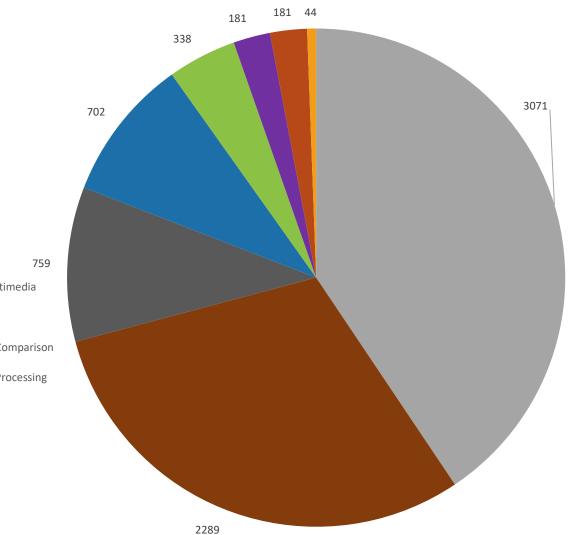
# Client Services and Case Management (CS/CM)

## CS/CM – July

## Evidence Handling

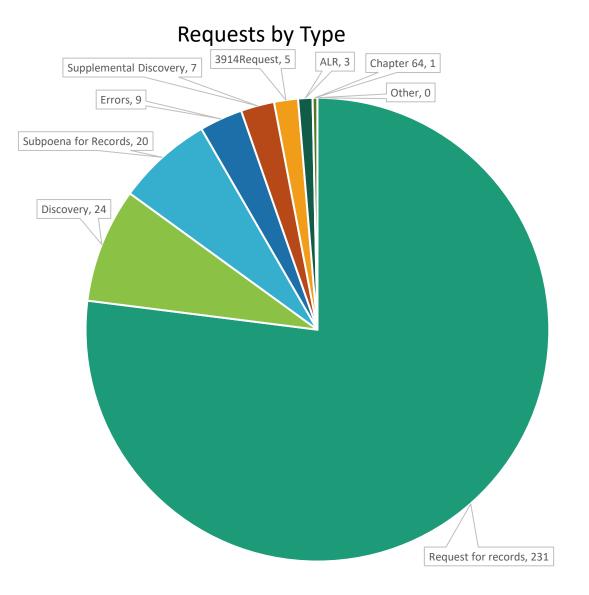


### Total Items by Section



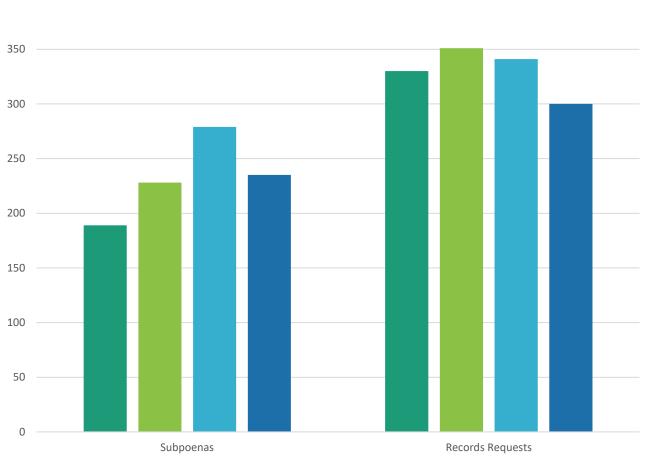
CS/CM – July

## Administrative



Subpoenas & Records Requests

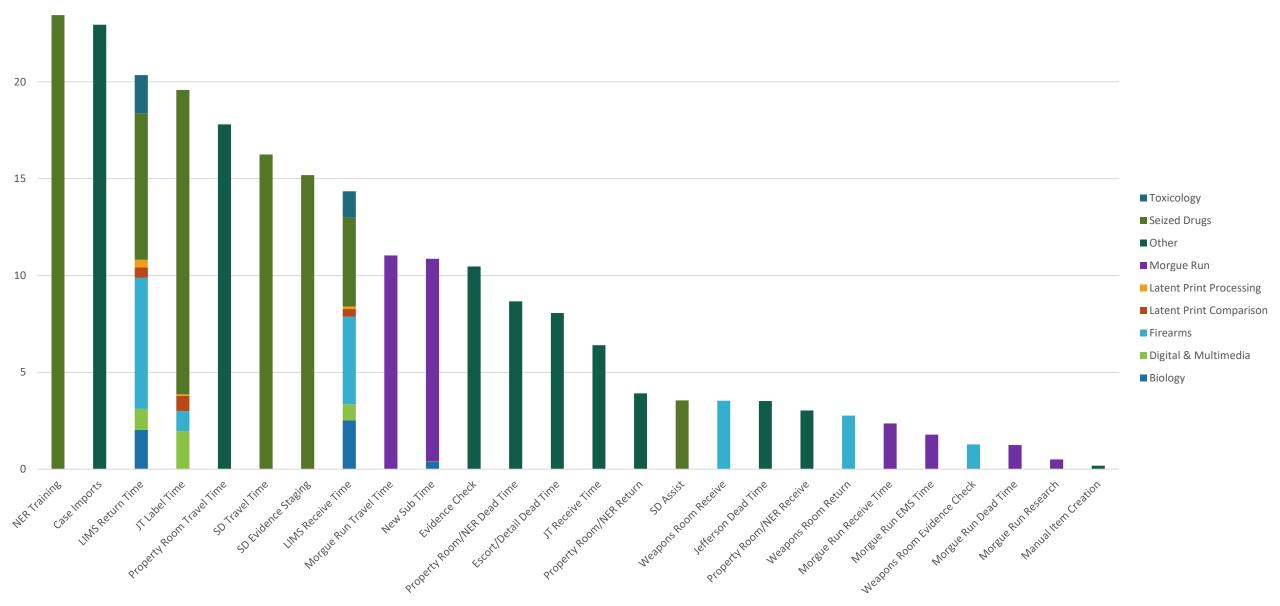
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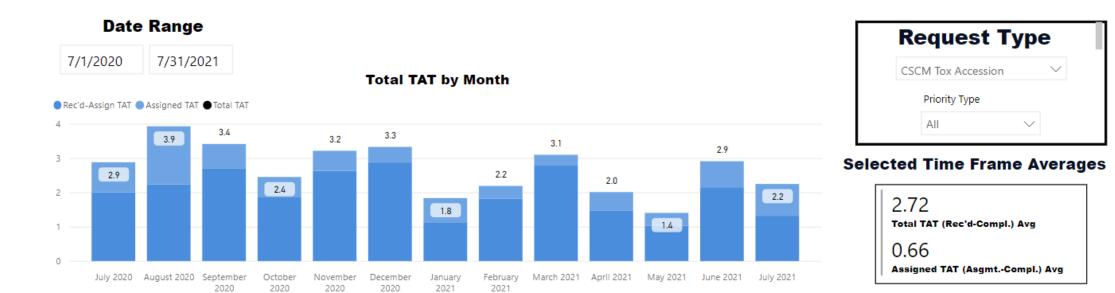
■ April ■ May ■ June ■ July

## Time Categories – July

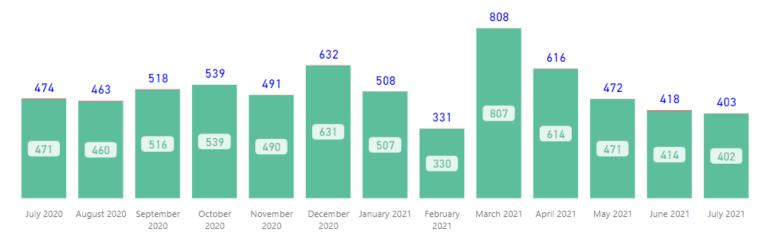
## Evidence Handling







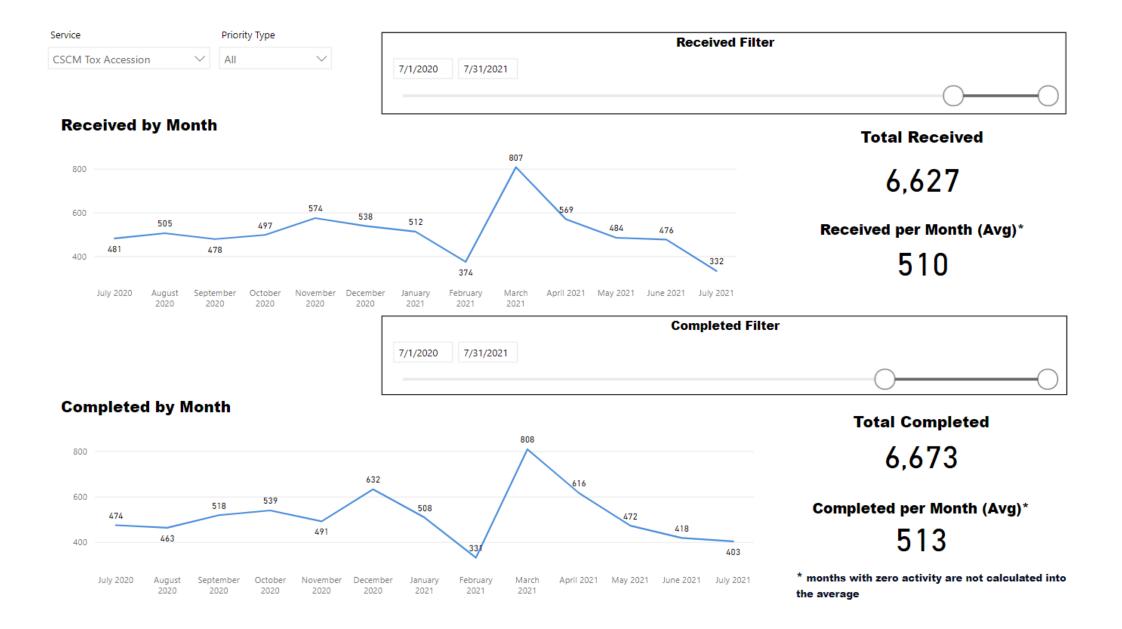
#### **Requests Completed**



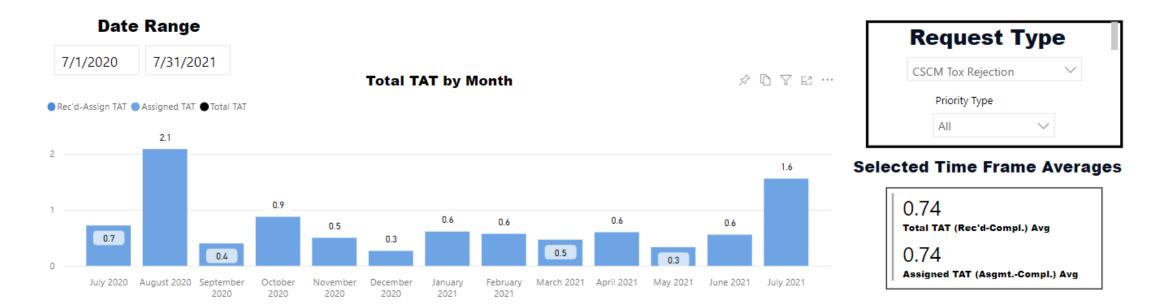


Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

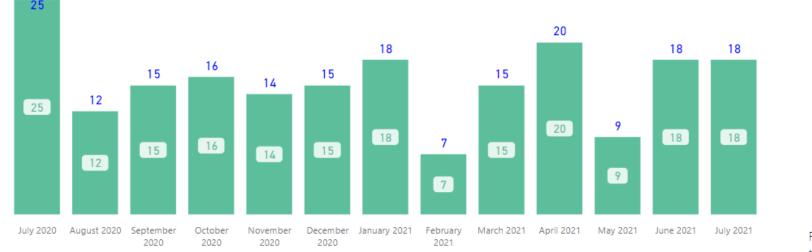
Requests Completed w/in 30 Days







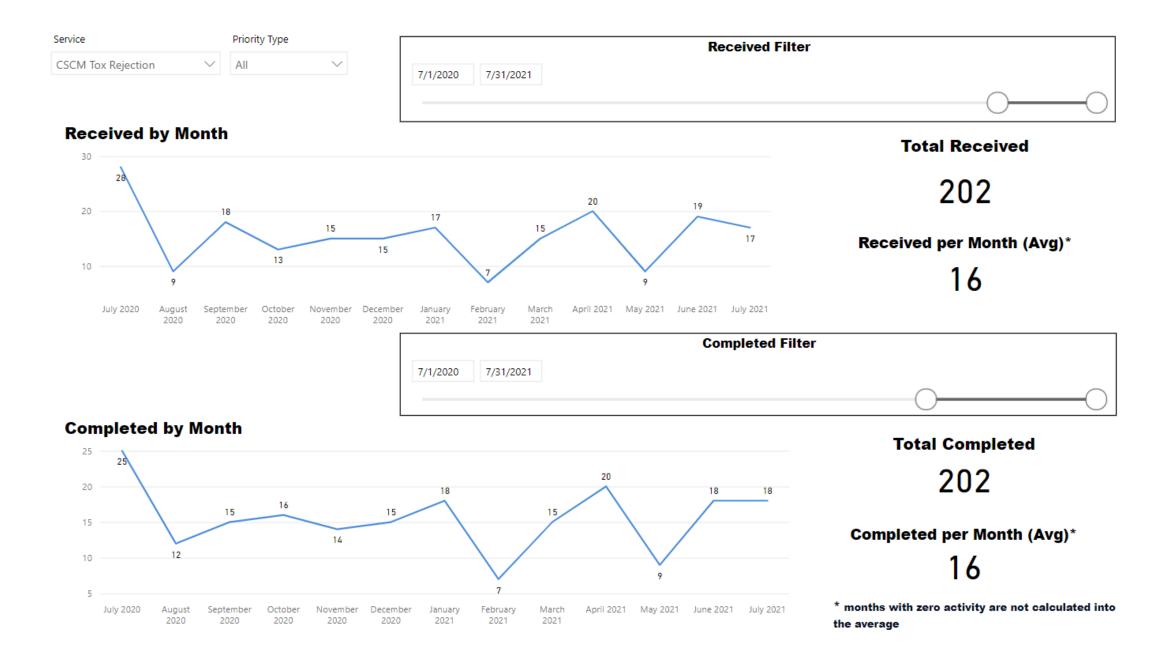
### **Requests Completed**



Received to Complete 202 Requests Completed 0 Requests Completed > 30 Days Old 0.00 % % Completed > 30 Days Old

Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

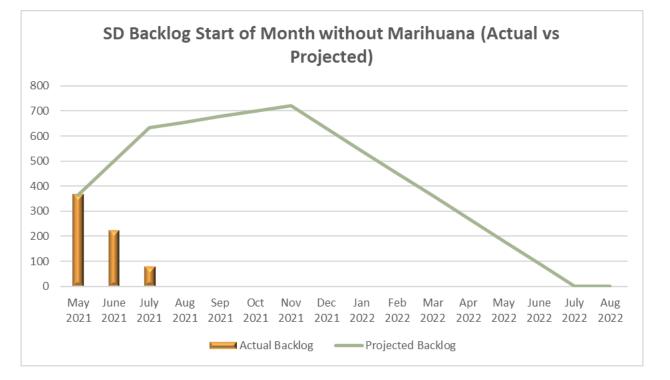
Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

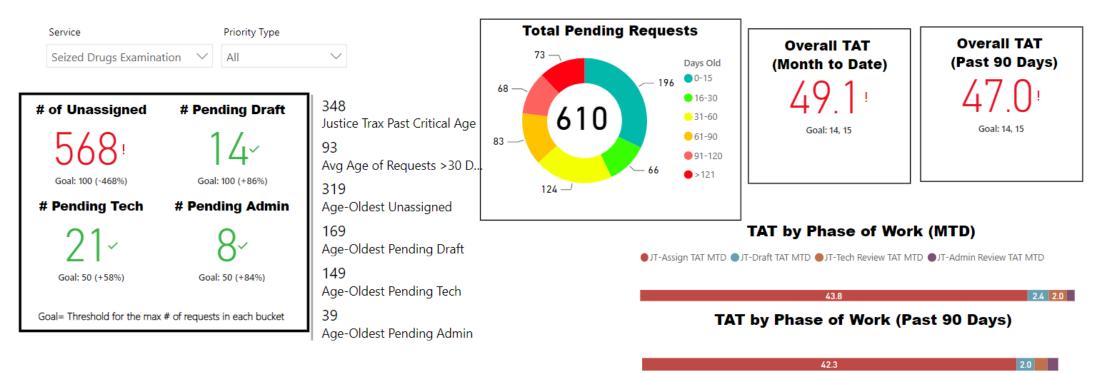


# Seized Drugs

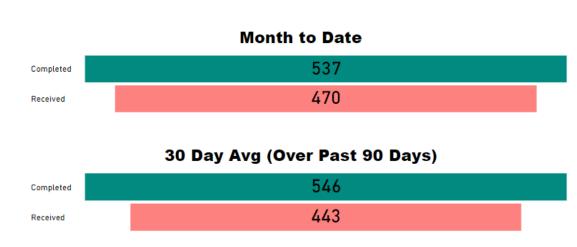
## Seized Drugs Backlog Update (excluding Marihuana)

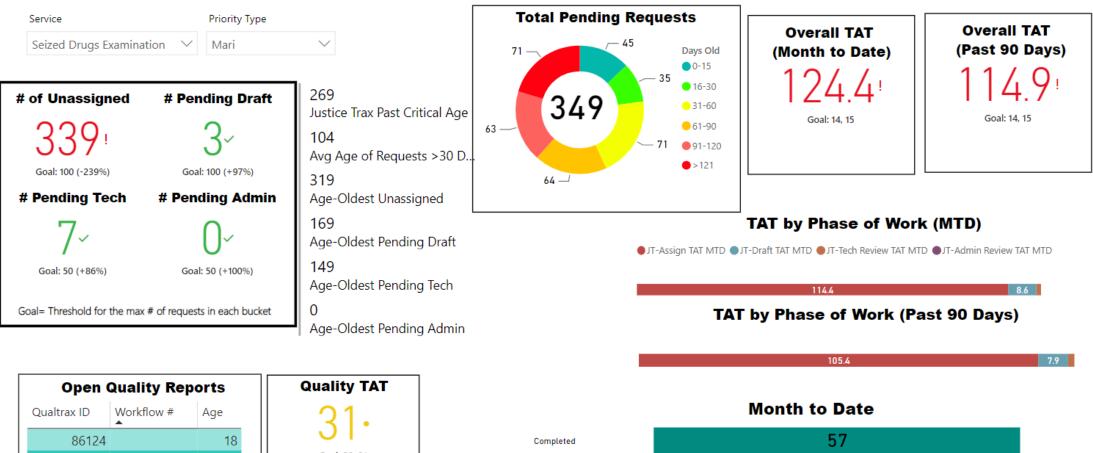
	Projected	Actual
# of Backlogged Requests	633	79
# of Non-Mari Requests Completed	448	480
# of Non-Mari Requests Received	470	393



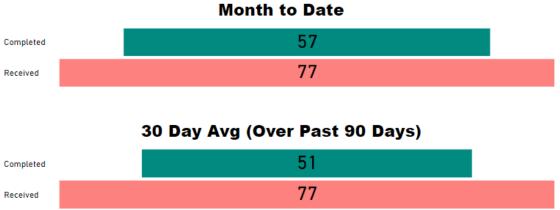


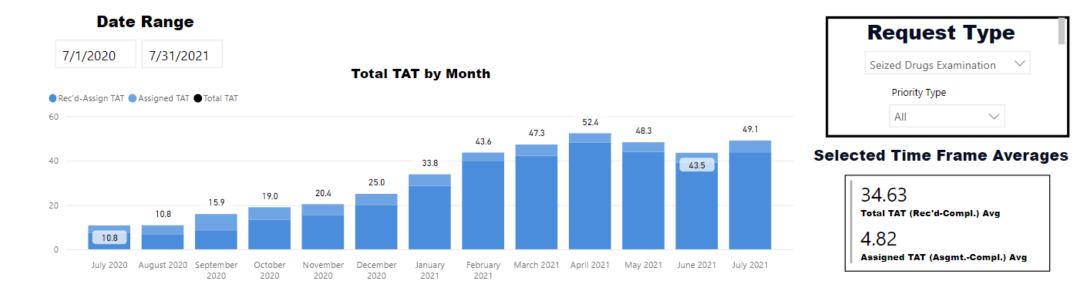
Open Quality Reports			Quality TAT
Qualtrax ID	Workflow #	Age	21.
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86470		14	Goal: 30, 31
			Avg Age of Open Reports
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*Reports without a Wor			Quality Filter



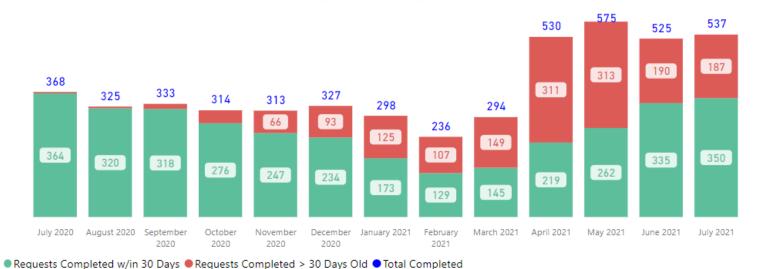


<b>Open Quality Reports</b>			Quality TAT
Qualtrax ID	Workflow #	Age	21.
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86470		14	Goal: 30, 31
			Avg Age of Open Reports*
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#### **Requests Completed**

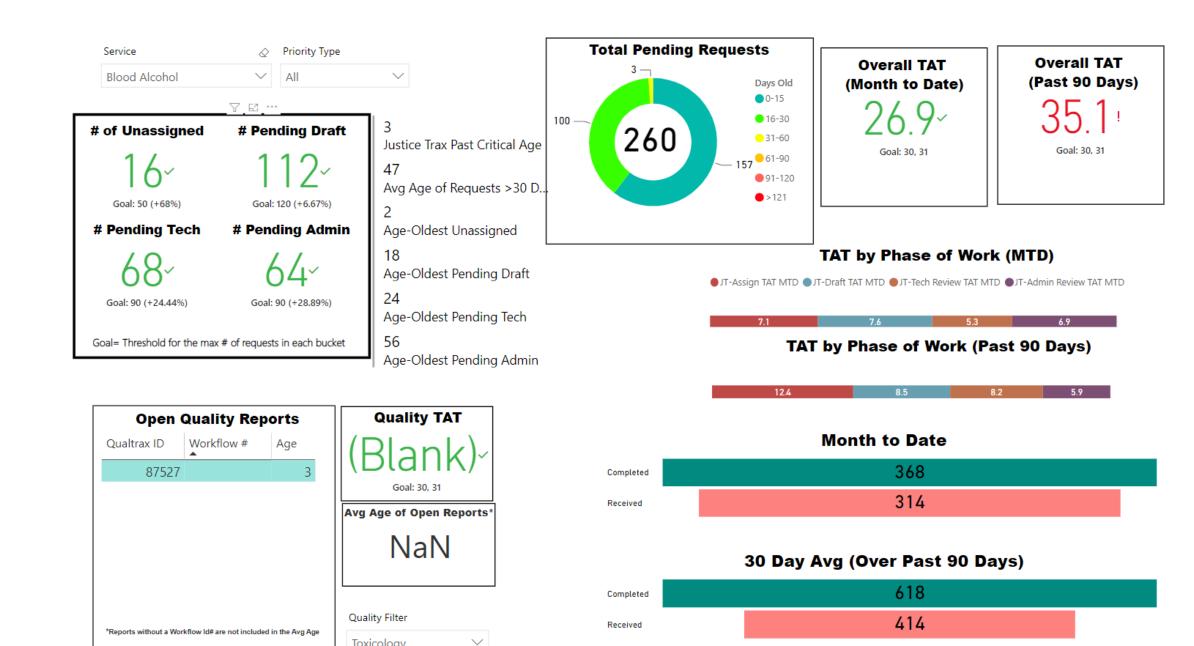




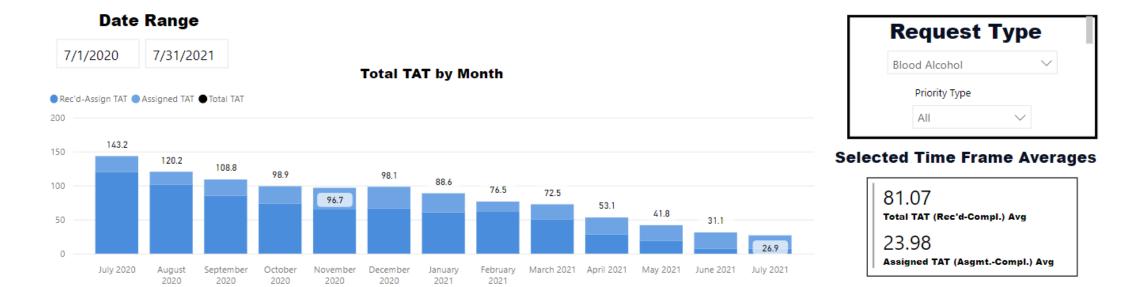
Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests



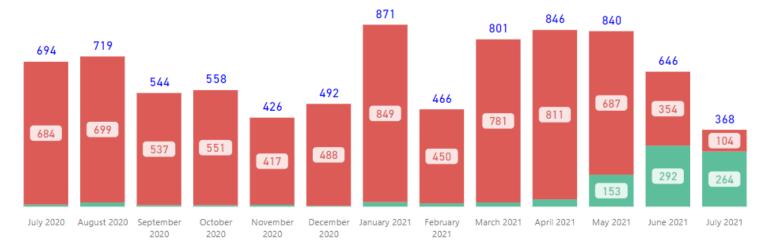
# Toxicology



Toxicology



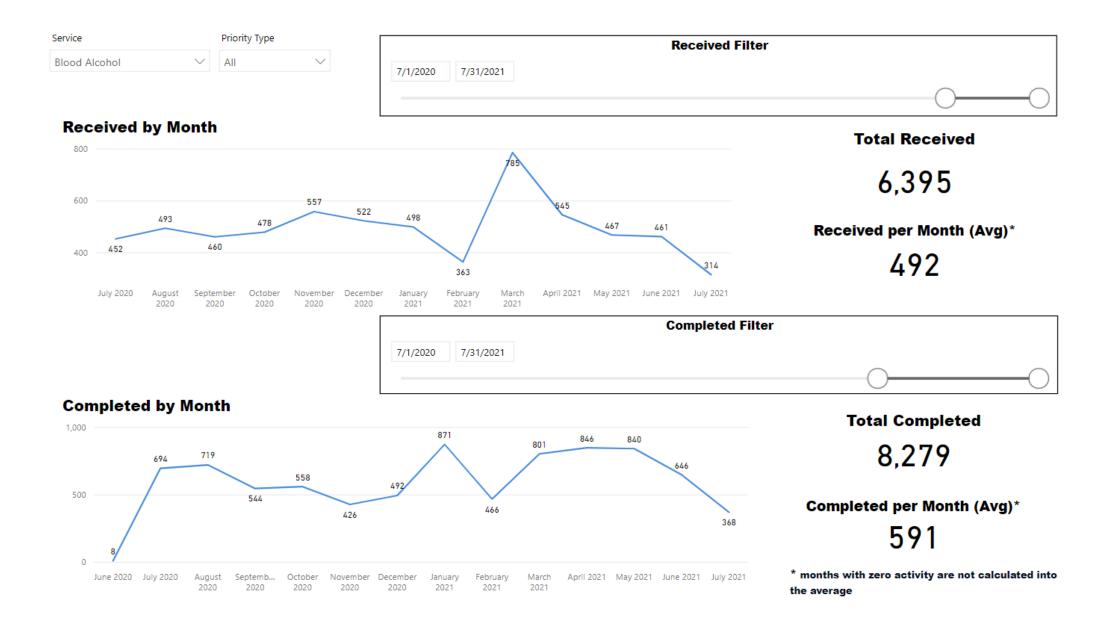
#### **Requests Completed**

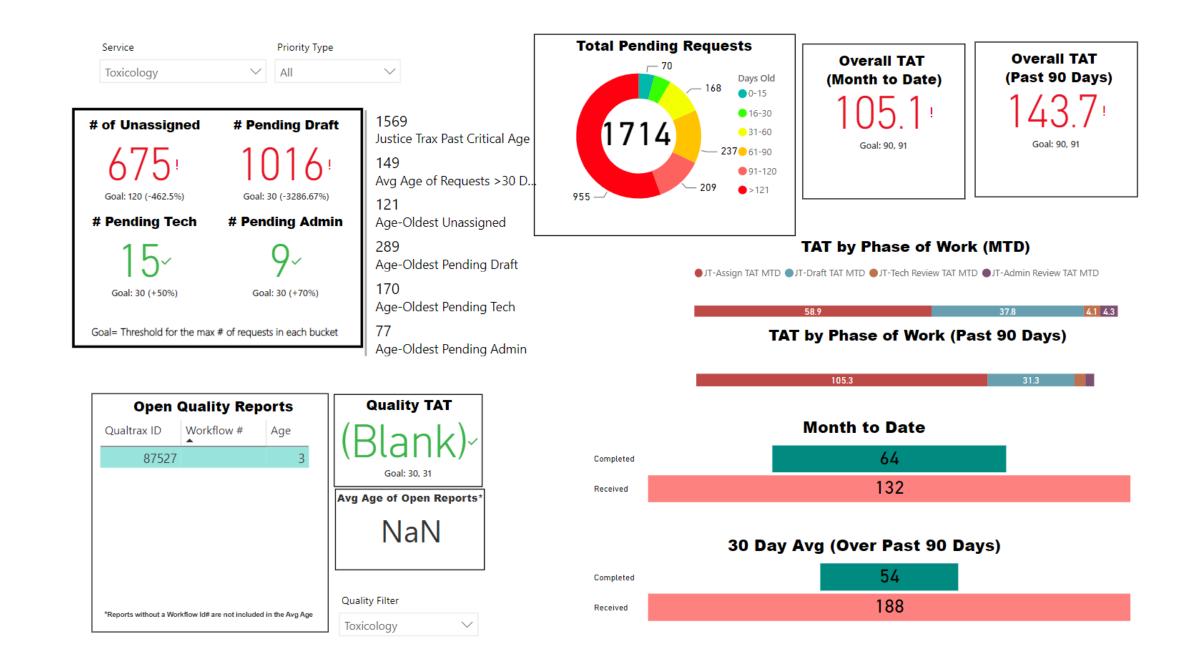


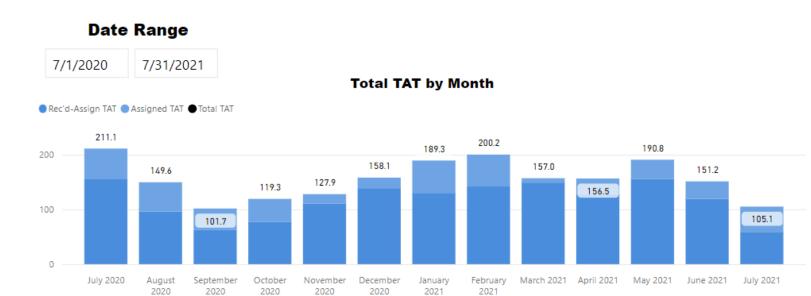


Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

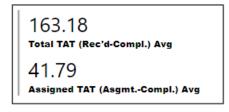




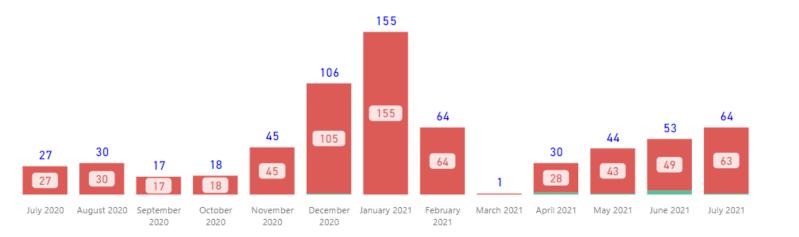


### Request Type Toxicology $\checkmark$ Priority Type All $\checkmark$

#### **Selected Time Frame Averages**



### **Requests Completed**



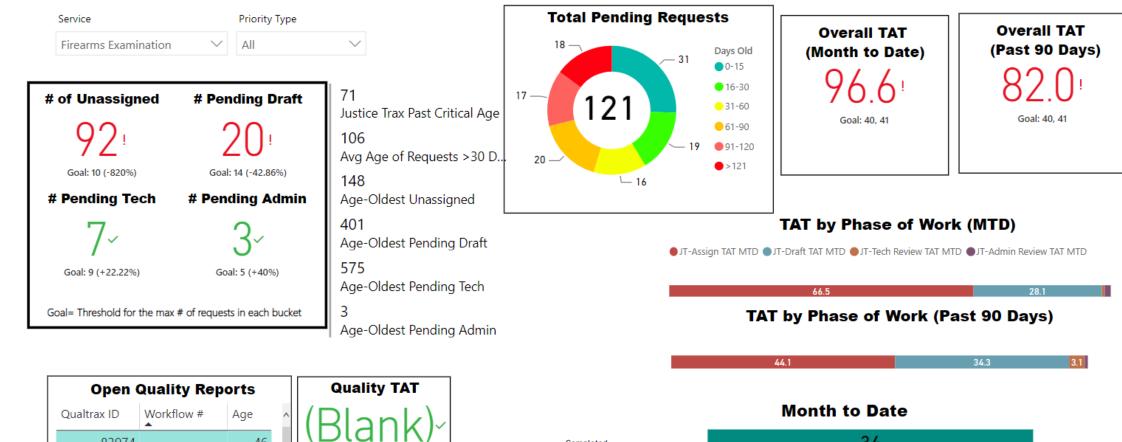


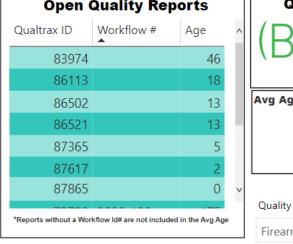
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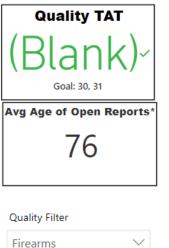
Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

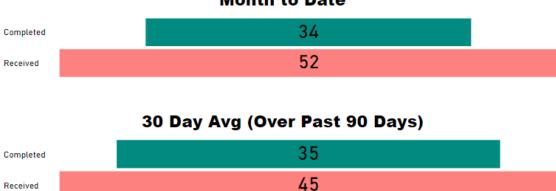


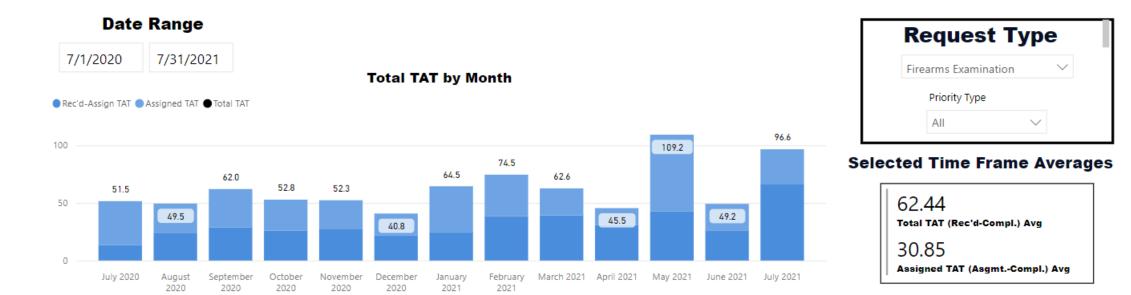
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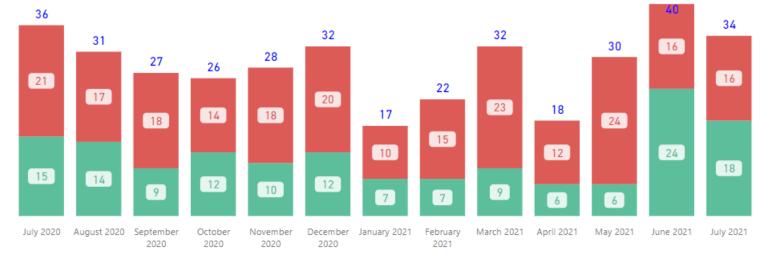








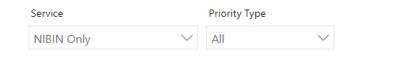


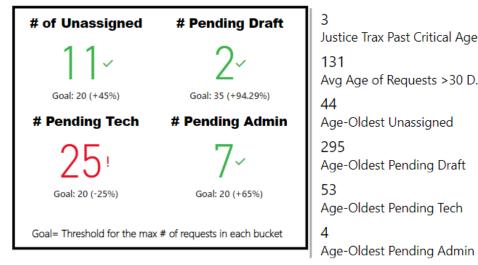


Received to Complete 373 Requests Completed 224 Requests Completed > 30 Days Old 60.05 % % Completed > 30 Days Old

Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

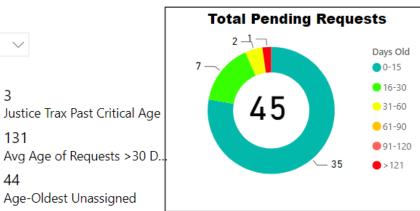






Qua		orts	Quality Rep	Open (			
(RI	^	Age	Workflow #	Qualtrax ID			
		175	2020-100	73798			
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Avg Age o		71	2021-IA-02	82060			
		46		83974			
		37	2021-032	84739			
		28	2021-036	85453			
	~	18		86113			
Quality Filt	. 1	in the Ava Aa	kflow ld# are not included	*Reports without a Wor			
Firearms			and not not moldoed	heporto without a vior			

Quality TAT
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Avg Age of Open Reports*
76
Quality Filter
Firearms 🗸





Overall	TAT
(Past 90	Days)
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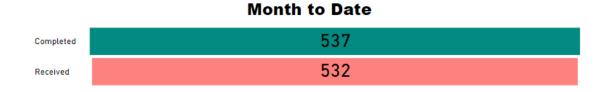
Goal: 7, 8

#### TAT by Phase of Work (MTD)

● JT-Assign TAT MTD ● JT-Draft TAT MTD ● JT-Tech Review TAT MTD ● JT-Admin Review TAT MTD



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#### 30 Day Avg (Over Past 90 Days)









Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests



April 2021 May 2021 June 2021 July 2021

July 2020

August

2020

September

2020

October

2020

November

2020

December

2020

January

2021

February

2021

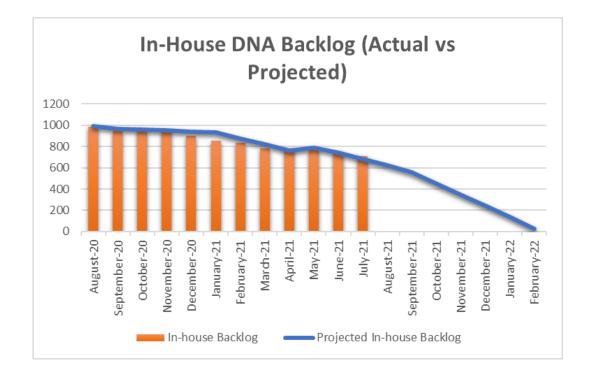
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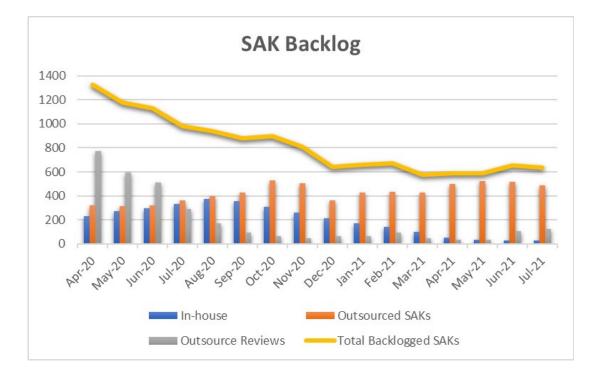
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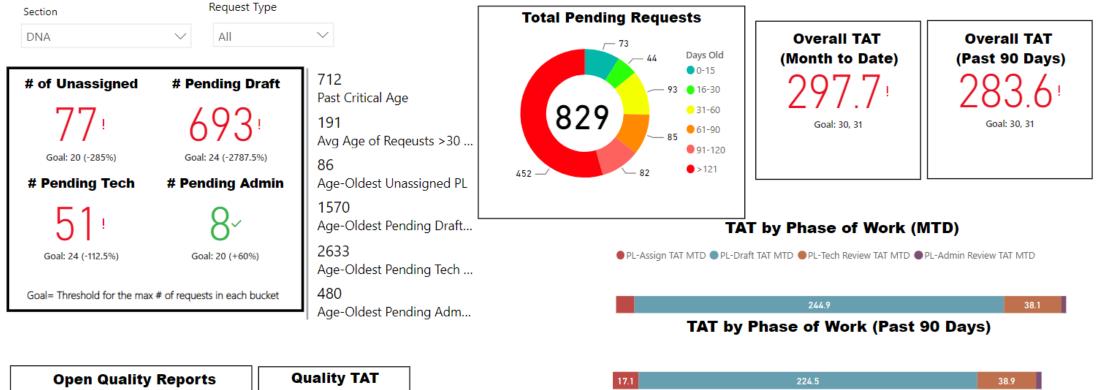
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## Forensic Biology

### DNA Backlog Update







Completed

Recieved

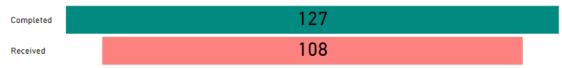
Quality		orts	Quality Rep	Open (
91	^	Age	Workflow #	Qualtrax ID
		724	2018-085	33435
Goal: 40,		316	2020-031	61919
Avg Age of Ope		283	2020-049	64601
14		257	2020-055	66476
14		235	2020-066	68460
		234	2020-068	68485
Quality Filter	~	182	2020-089	73153
Biology/DNA	•	in the Avg Ag	kflow ld# are not included	*Reports without a Wor

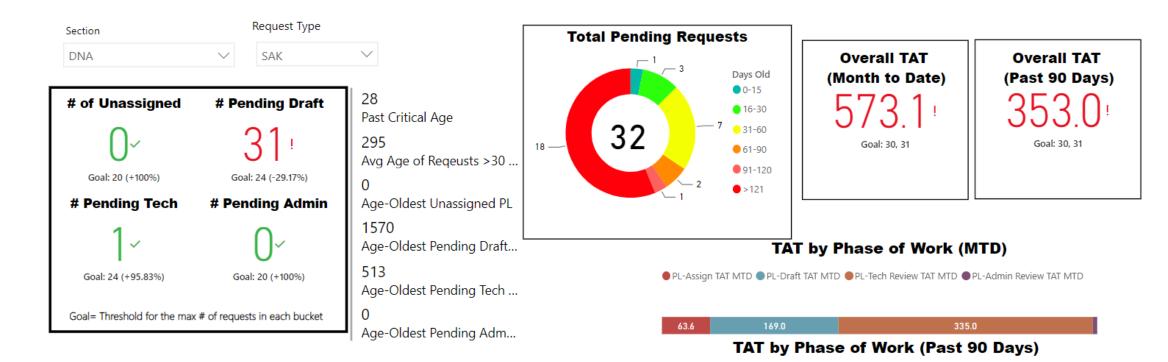
Quality TAT 91! Goal: 40, 41	
Avg Age of Open Reports	*
142	
Quality Filter	_
Biology/DNA	$\sim$

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#### 30 Day Avg (Over Past 90 Days)

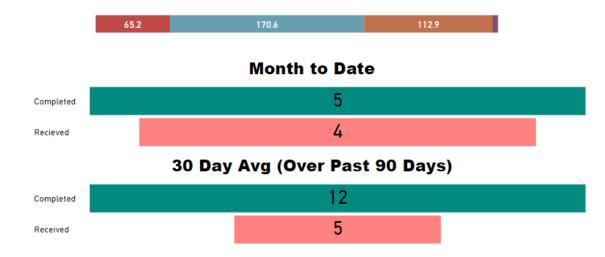
Month to Date

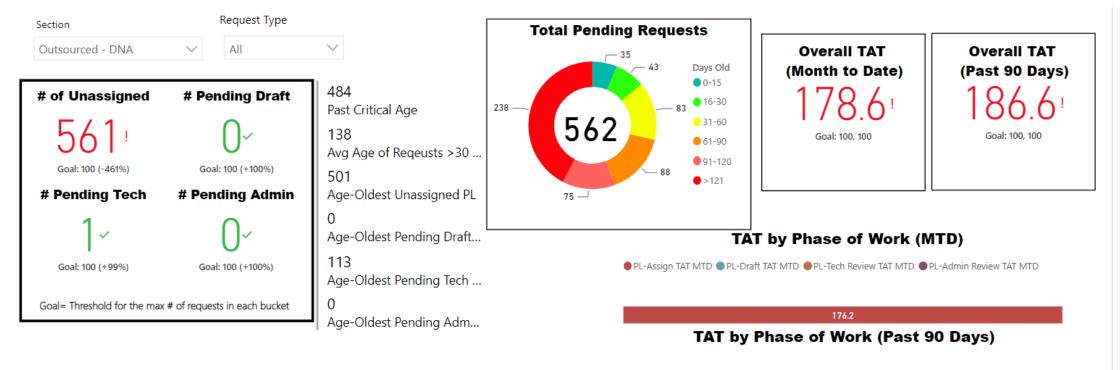




Quality	<b>Open Quality Reports</b>				
01	^	Age	Workflow #	Qualtrax ID	
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Goal: 40		316	2020-031	61919	
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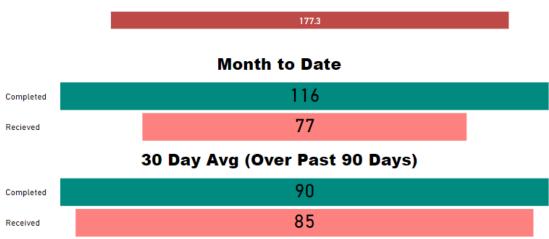




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Biol	e	*Reports without a Workflow Id# are not included in the Avg Age					

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	142
	Quality Filter
	Biology/DNA

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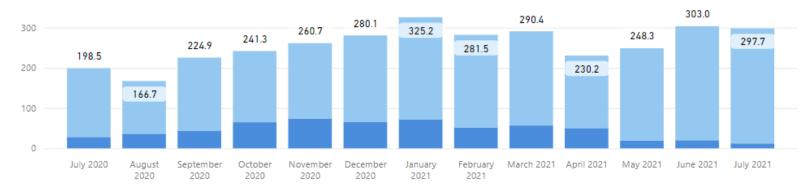


#### **Date Range**

7/30/2021 7/1/2020

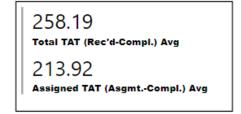
#### **Total TAT by Month**



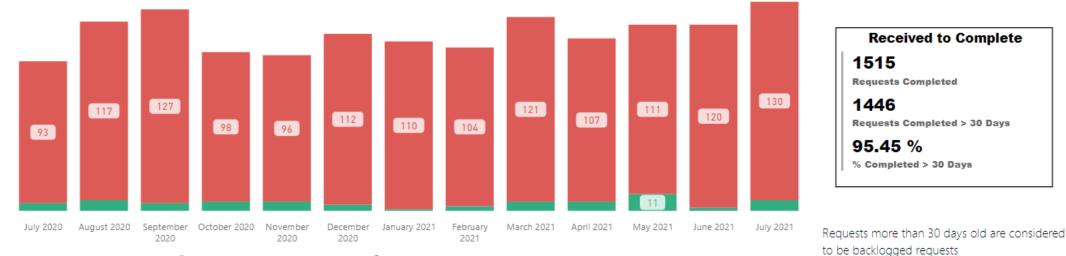


#### **Request Type** $\sim$ DNA Request Type All $\sim$

#### Selected Time Frame Averages

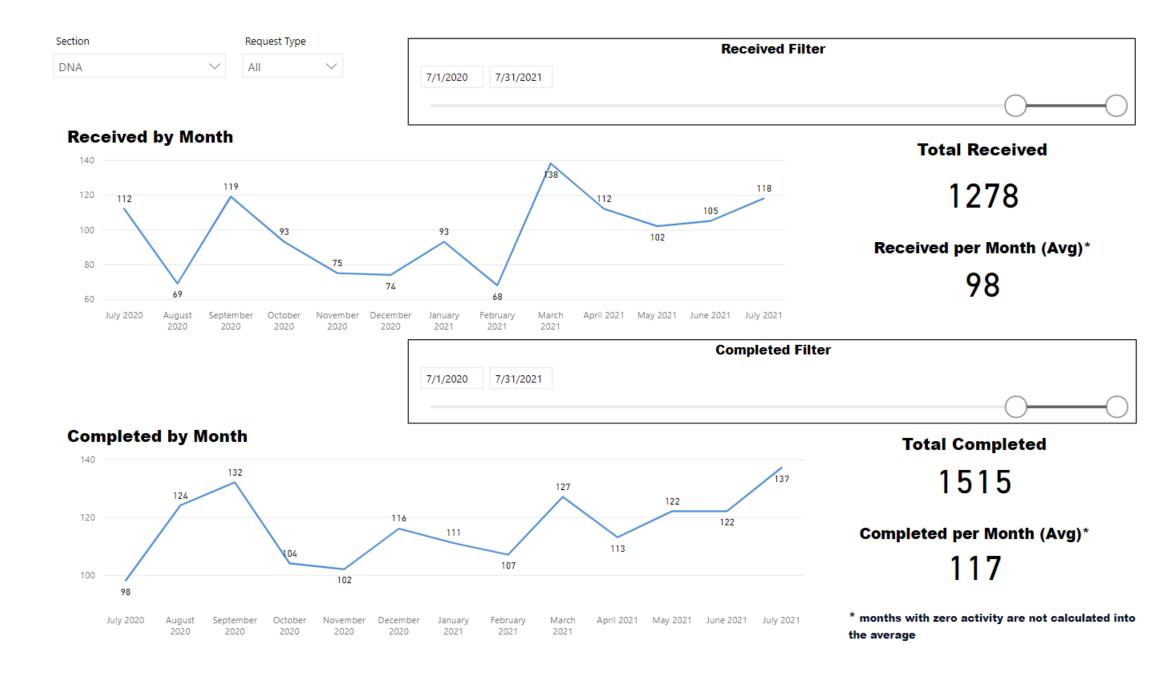


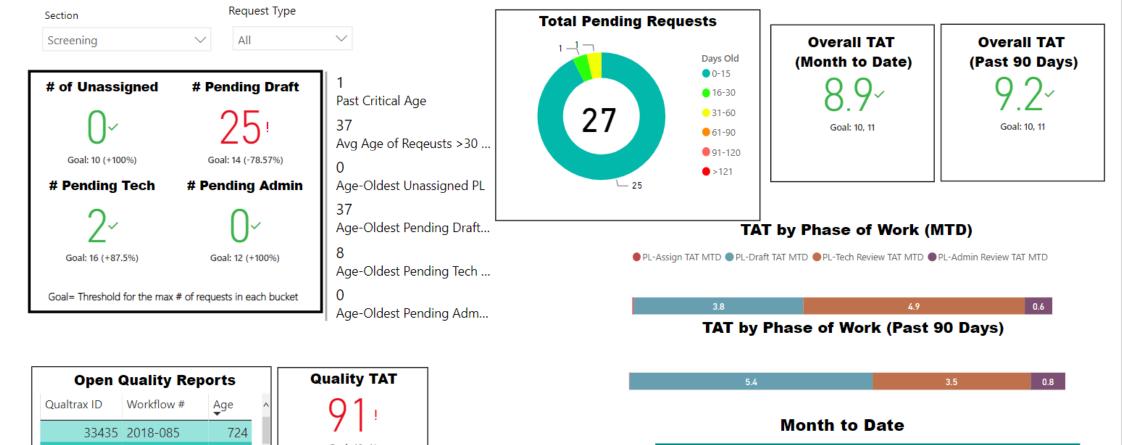
#### **Requests Completed**



1515 **Requests Completed** 1446 Requests Completed > 30 Days 95.45 % % Completed > 30 Days

**Received to Complete** 





Completed

Recieved

Completed

Received

93

107

96

93

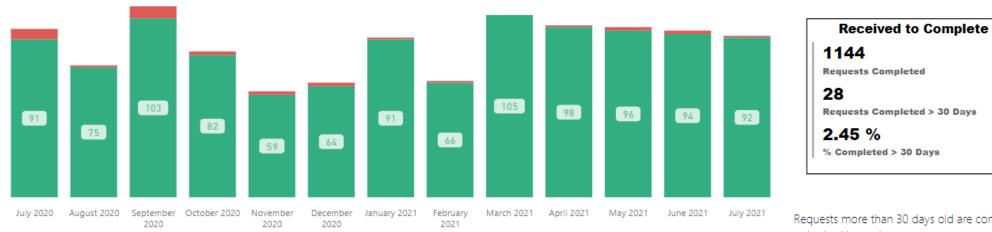
30 Day Avg (Over Past 90 Days)

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		235	2020-066	68460	
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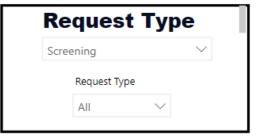
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142	
Quality Filter	

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Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

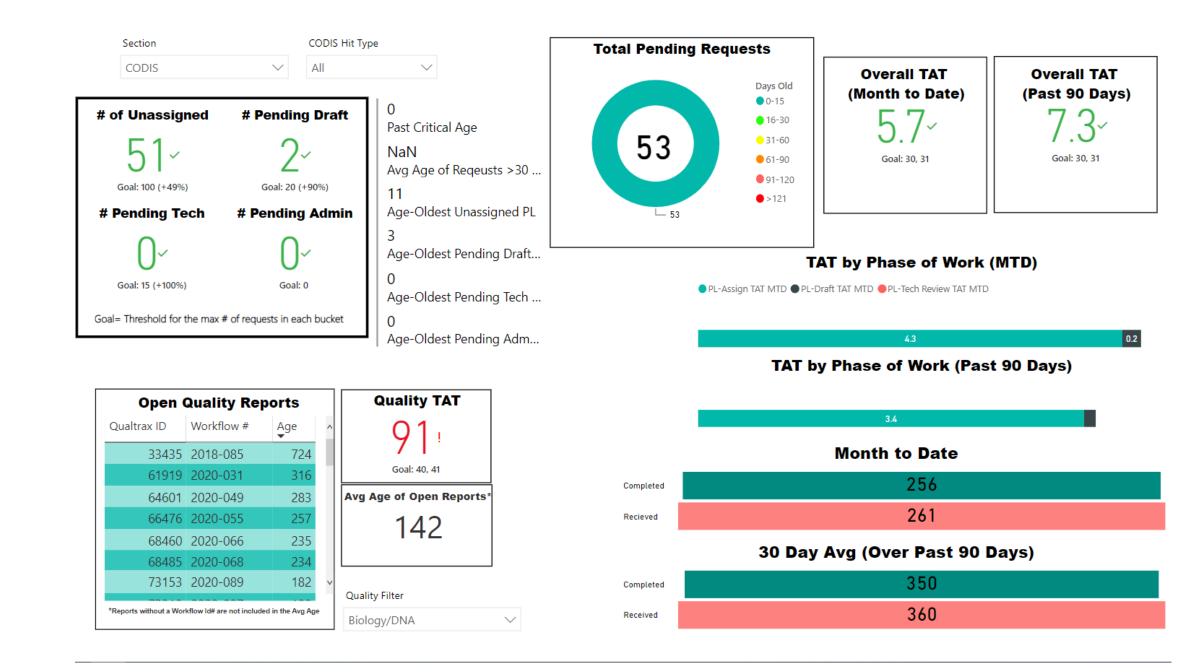


#### Selected Time Frame Averages

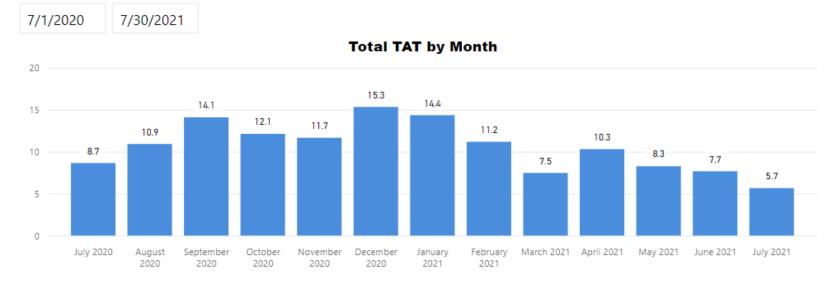


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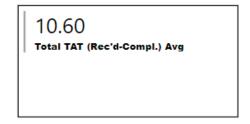


#### Date Range



# Request Type

#### Selected Time Frame Averages

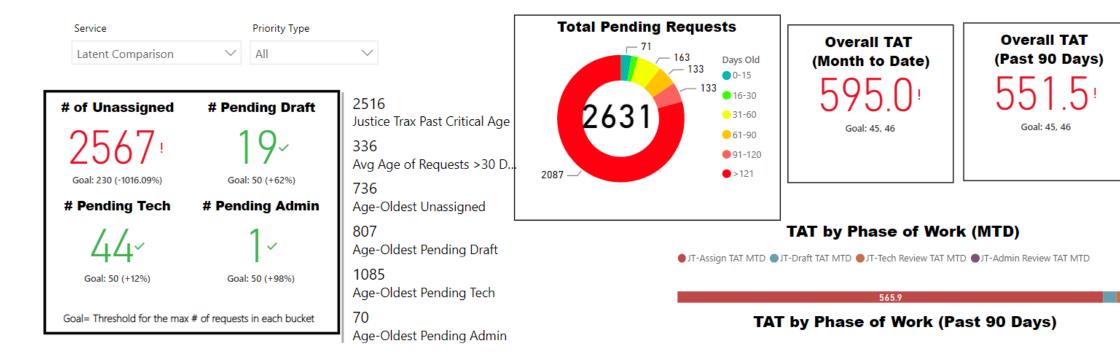


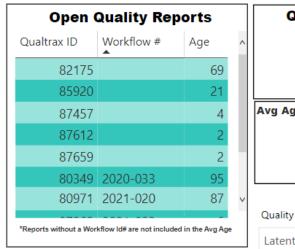
#### **Requests Completed**



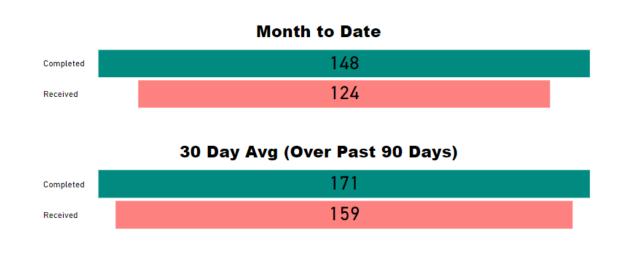


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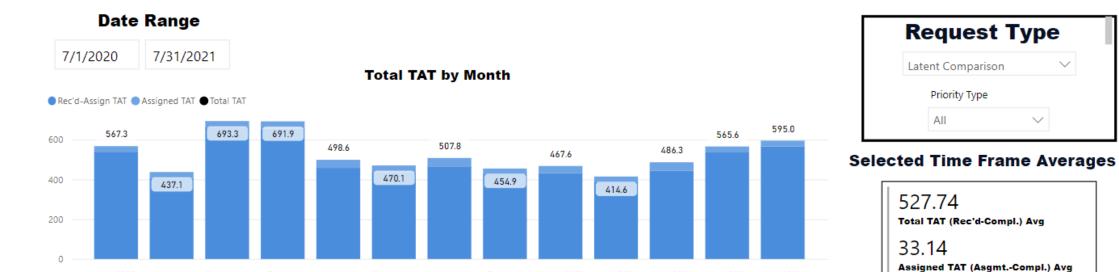








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February

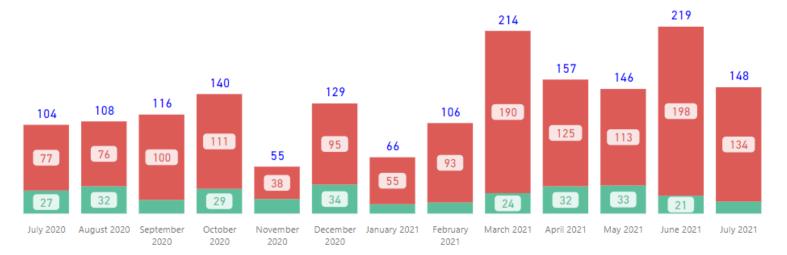
2021

March 2021 April 2021 May 2021 June 2021 July 2021

#### **Requests Completed**

January

2021





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Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

Requests Completed w/in 30 Days Requests Completed > 30 Days Old Total Completed

July 2020

August

2020

September

2020

October

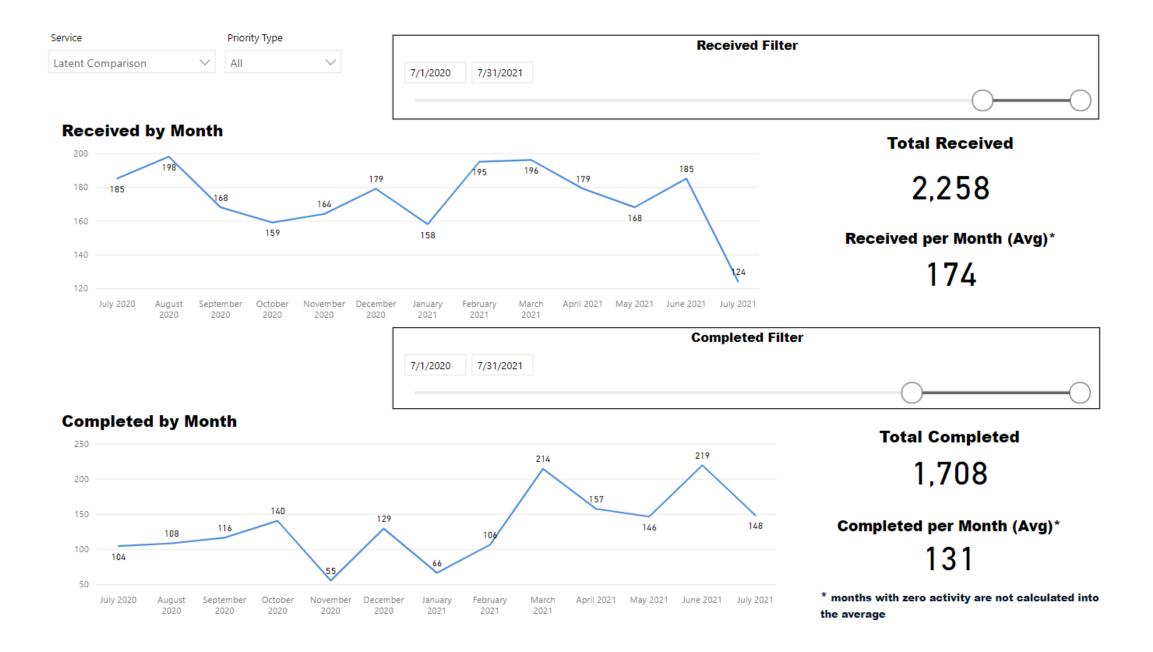
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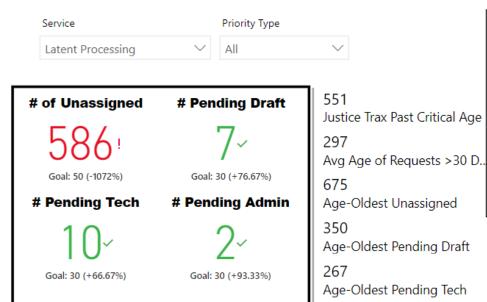
November

2020

December

2020





**Total Pending Requests** Days Old 37 0-15 35 016-30 602 28 31-60 61-90 91-120 451 ----->121

### **Overall TAT** (Month to Date) Goal: 30, 31

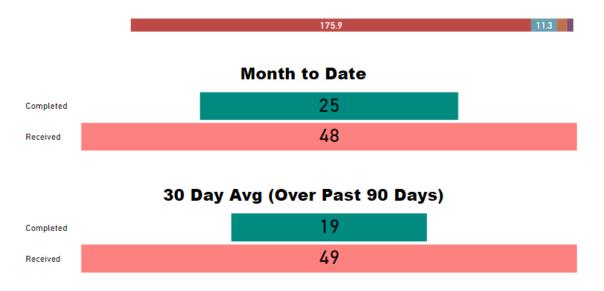
**Overall TAT** (Past 90 Days)

Goal: 30, 31

#### TAT by Phase of Work (MTD)

JT-Assign TAT MTD JT-Draft TAT MTD JT-Tech Review TAT MTD JT-Admin Review TAT MTD

241.2 TAT by Phase of Work (Past 90 Days)



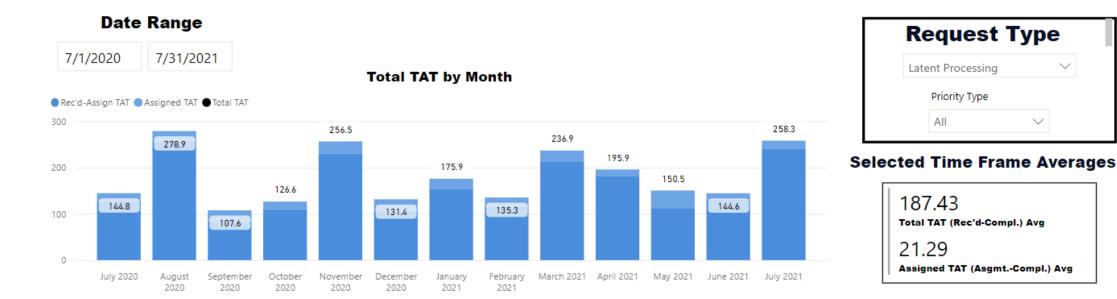
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Goal: 40		21		85920			
Avg Age of Op		4		87457			
5		2		87612			
J 5.		2		87659			
		95	2020-033	80349			
	$\sim$	87	2021-020	80971			
Quality Filter	Π.	*Reports without a Workflow Id# are not included in the Avg Age					
Latent Prints	-	Reports without a worknow la# are not included in the Avg Age					

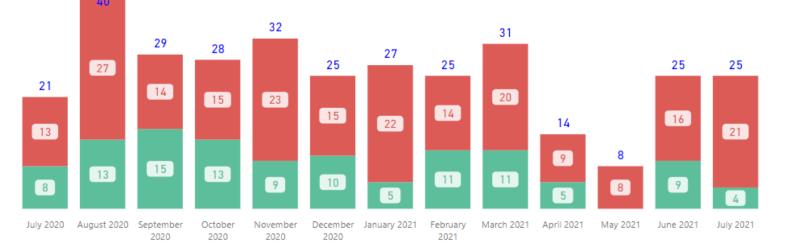
Goal= Threshold for the max # of requests in each bucket

	Quality TAT
^	46
	Goal: 40, 41
	Avg Age of Open Reports*
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	Latent Prints 🗸 🗸

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Age-Oldest Pending Admin





Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

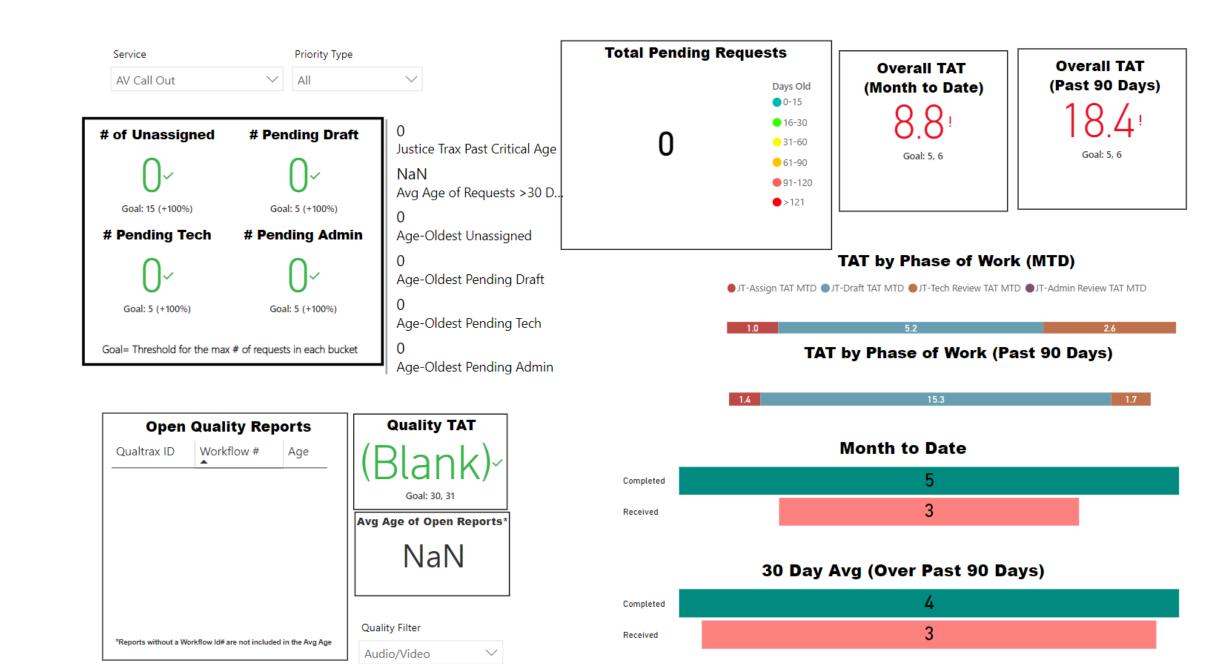
330 Requests Completed 217 Requests Completed > 30 Days Old 65.76 % % Completed > 30 Days Old

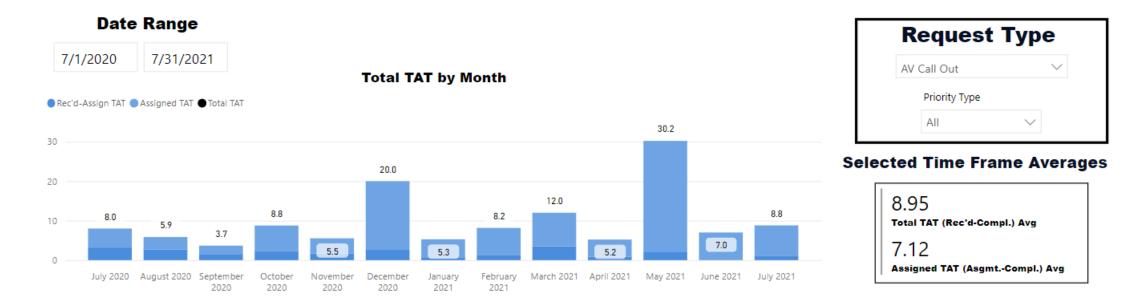
**Received to Complete** 

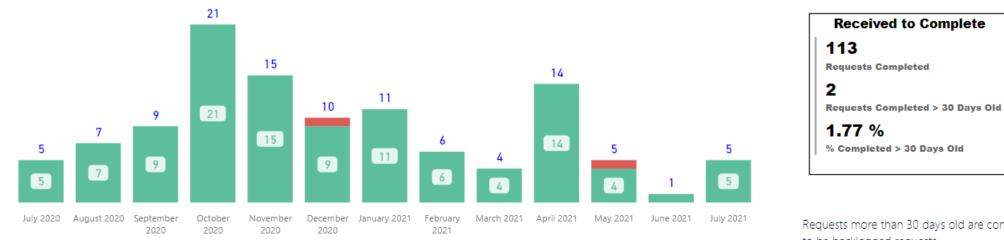
Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests



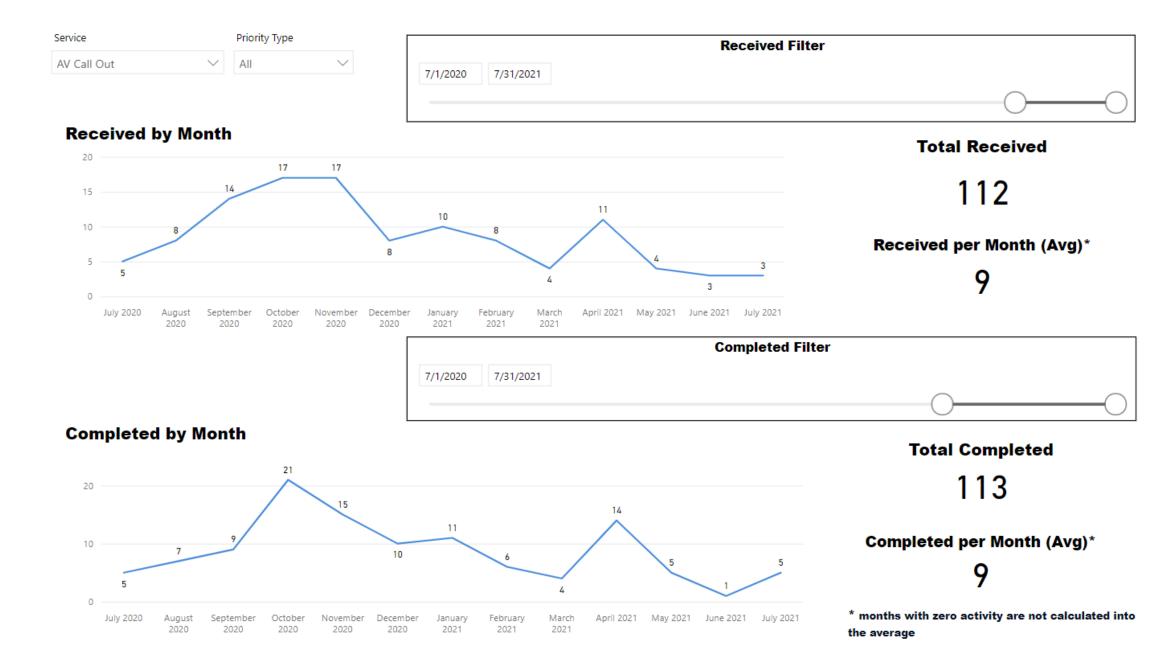
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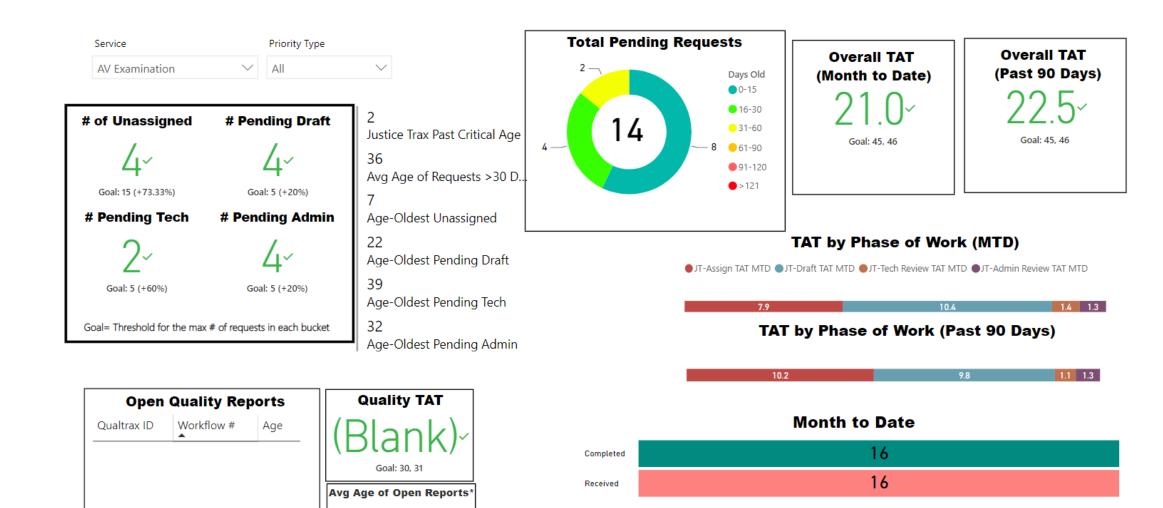






Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests





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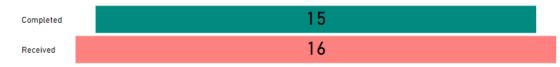
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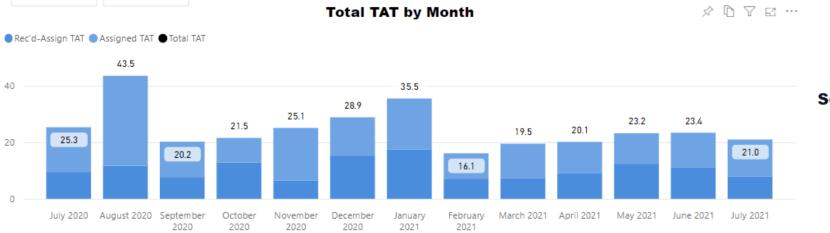
Quality Filter

Audio/Video

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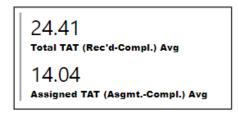
#### 30 Day Avg (Over Past 90 Days)

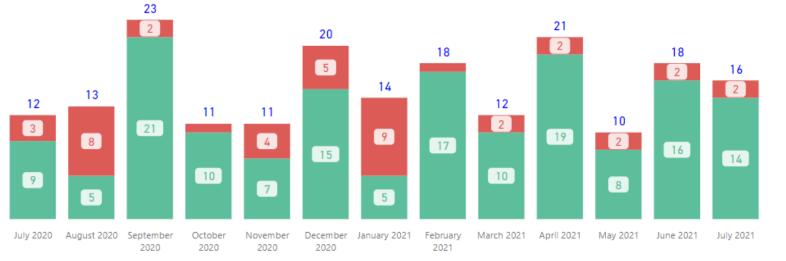




# Request Type AV Examination ✓ Priority Type ✓

#### Selected Time Frame Averages





Received to Complete 199 Requests Completed 43 Requests Completed > 30 Days Old 21.61 % % Completed > 30 Days Old

Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

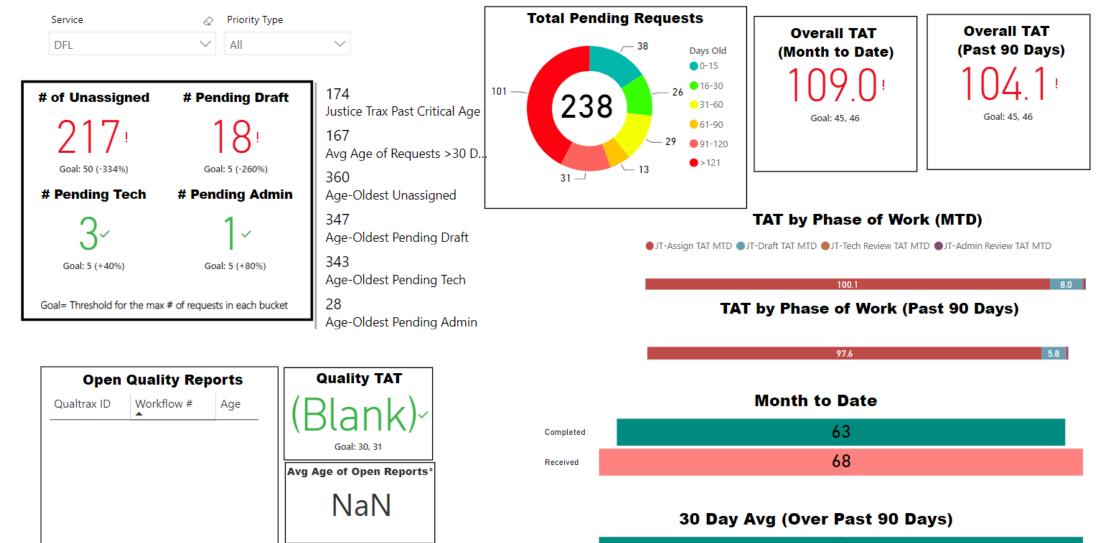
Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

**Date Range** 

7/31/2021

7/1/2020



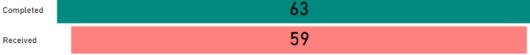


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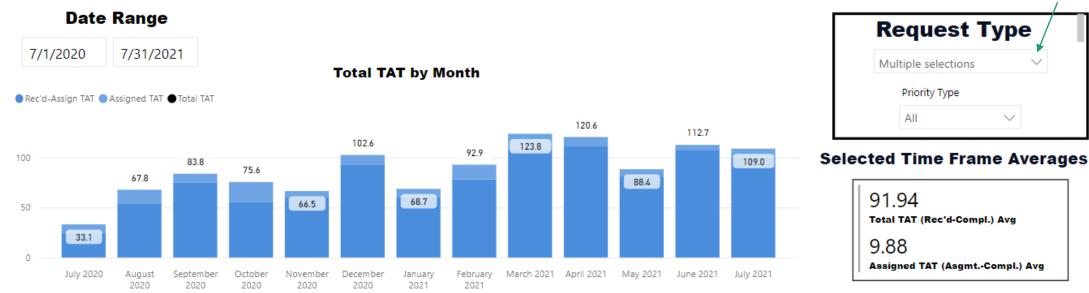
Digitial Forensics

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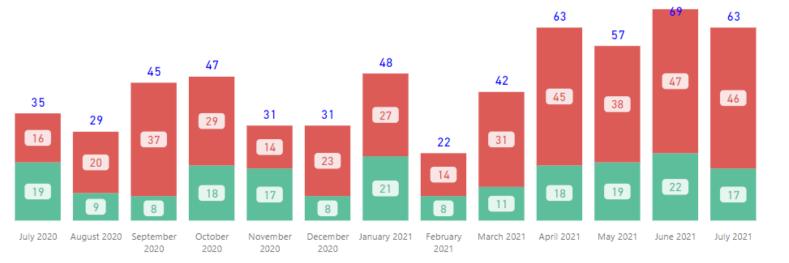
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### DFL and DME



#### **Requests Completed**



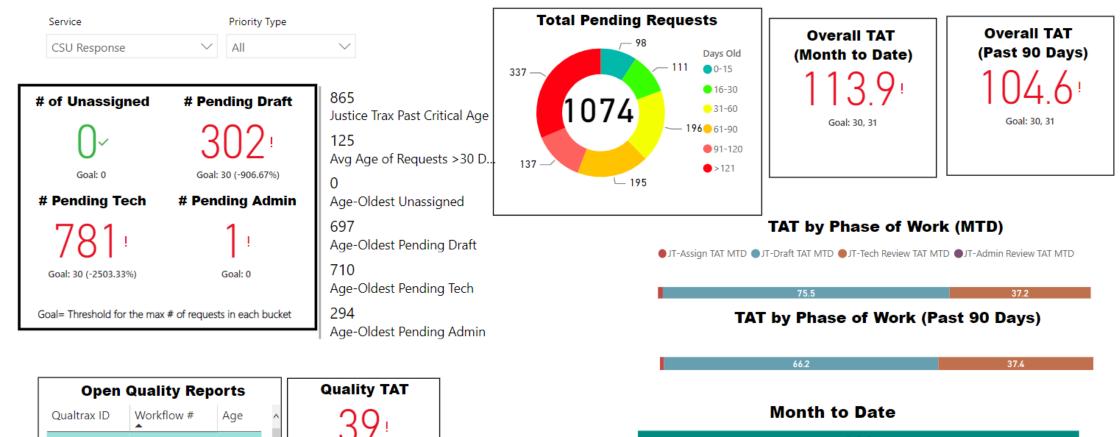


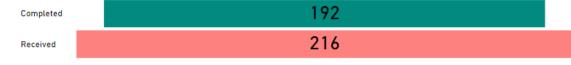
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Requests Completed w/in 30 Days

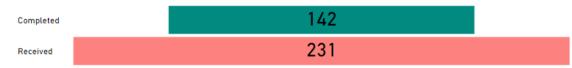


# Crime Scene Unit



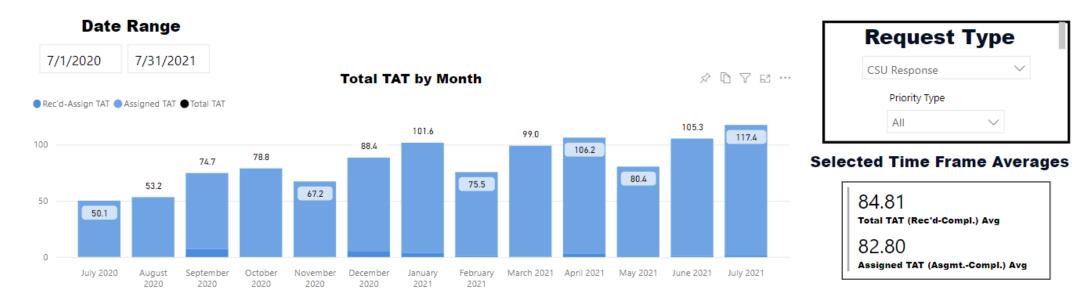


### 30 Day Avg (Over Past 90 Days)

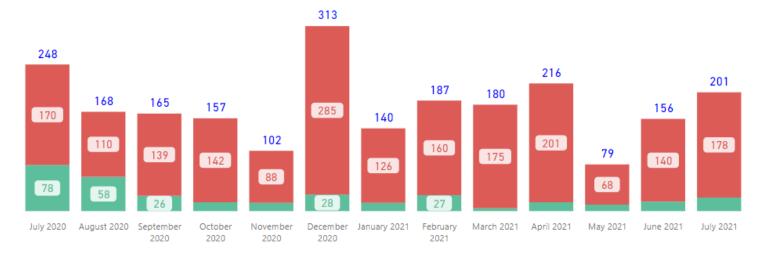


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		143	2021-001	76096
		119	2021-012	78473
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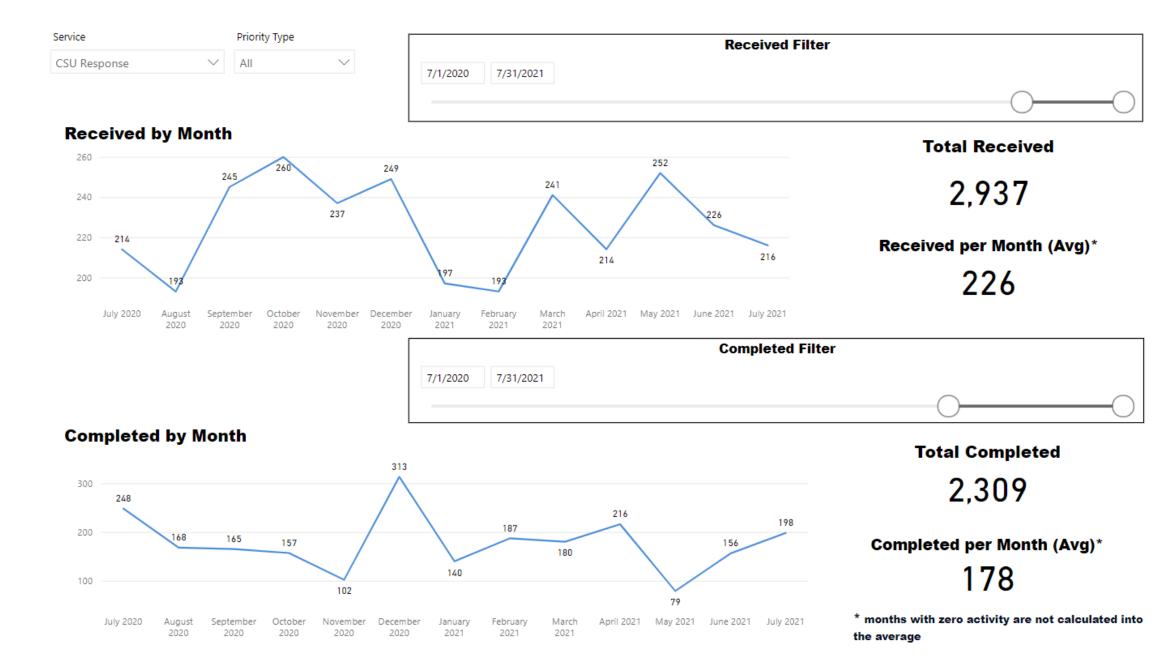
**Requests Completed** 



Received to Complete 2312 Requests Completed 1982 Requests Completed > 30 Days Old 85.73 % % Completed > 30 Days Old

Requests more than 30 days old are considered to be backlogged requests

Requests Completed w/in 30 Days



			FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Total Income			27,419,976	30,129,485	231,018	-	30,360,503
	Perso	onnel:	18,517,935	19,481,521	134,975	(131,630)	19,484,867
	Supp	lies:	1,160,688	1,502,095	2,773	(225,527)	1,279,341
	Servi	Ces:	6,056,881	6,502,027	356,207	(35,301)	6,822,933
	Inter	rest Expense	1,093,496	1,073,135		19,000	1,092,135
	Total	Non-Capital Expenditures	462,264	284,932	-	(6,000)	278,932
	Total	Capital Expenditures	1,283,153	612,733	280,000	385,598	1,278,330
Total Expense an	d Capital	Before Depreciation	27,291,265	29,456,443	773,955	6,140	30,236,538
561	230	Depreciation	1,806,679	1,710,851	Mz	(6,1/40)	1,704,711
Total Expense an	d Capital	After Depreciation	29,097,944	31,167,294	773,955	<u> </u>	31,941,249
Net Ordinary	Income A	fter Capital Expenditures	(1,677,968)	(1,037,808)		4~~~	(1,037,808)
Other Expense:							-
610	0000	City of Houston Direct Overhead			M		-
		Grant and Training Expense		577,056 -	(773,955)		(196,899)

		FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Revenues:		-				
411000	City of Houston-Appropriations	\$ 25,293,553	\$ 27,220,343			\$ 27,220,343
415000	City of Houston Direct OH-Appro	326,790	0			0
420000	Donations	3,139	10,050			10,050
440000	Grants	1,615,659	1,400,000	310,977		1,710,977
450000	Forensic Services	70,285	38,024			38,024
	CARES - COVID-19		1,358,652			1,358,652
490002	Interest Income	110,549	102,416	(79,960)		22,456
Total Income		27,419,976	30,129,485	231,018	-	30,360,503

				FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:				_				-
		Perso	nnel:					-
	500010		Salary Base - Civilian	15,170,393	15,824,114	113,736	26,241	15,964,092
	501070		Pension - Civilian	855,262	938,627	5,879	35,621	980,127
	502010		FICA - Civilian	1,090,551	1,113,639	7,107	3,418	1,124,164
	503010		Health Insurance - Active Civil	1,300,402	1,415,767	8,120	(50,918)	1,372,969
	503015		Basic Life Ins - Active Civil	21,129	95,518	57	(79,996)	15,579
	503090		Workers Comp - Civilian Adm	56,342	51,009		(47,670)	3,339
	503100		Workers Comp - Civil Claims	-	249			249
	504031		Unemployment Taxes - Admin	23,856	42,597	77	(18,326)	24,348
		Perso	nnel:	18,517,935	19,481,521	134,975	(131,630)	19,484,867

			FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:			_				
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	S	Supplies:					
	511010	Chemical Gases & Special Fluids	21,924	20,979		979	21,958
	511045	Computer Supplies		4,427		(4,318)	109
	511050	Paper & Printing Supplies	6,711	17,500		(3,221)	14,279
	511055	Publications & Printed Material	10,368	11,576		(5,232)	6,344
	511060	Postage	373	388		41	429
	511070	Miscellaneous Office Supplies	78,800	83,132		(11,473)	71,659
	511080	General Laboratory Supply	959,828	1,242,021	2,773	(177,462)	1,067,332
	511095	Small Technical & Scientific Eq	7,935	15,576	-	1,259	16,835
	511120	Clothing	13,826	24,634		3,301	27,935
	511125	Food/Event Supplies	20,049	24,998		(22,426)	2,572
	511130	Weapons Munitions & Supplies	7,262	8,622		3,259	11,881
	511145	Small Tools & Minor Equipment	8,162	19,705		8,415	28,120
	511150	Miscellaneous Parts & Supplies	25,453	28,535		(18,649)	9,886
	s	Supplies:	1,160,688	1,502,095	2,773	(225,527)	1,279,341

				FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:				_				-
		Serv	ices:					-
520	100		Temporary Personnel Services		-			-
520	105		Accounting & Auditing Svcs	49,928	50,601		4,298	54,899
520	109		Medical Dental & Laboratory Ser	1,134,754	1,150,768	326,855	(10,816)	1,466,807
520	110		Management Consulting Services	248,208	270,516	35,945	9,763	316,224
520	112		Banking Services	3,005	5,016		(769)	4,247
520	113		Photographic Services	-	-		1,233	1,233
520	114		Misc Support Serv Recruit Relo	60,088	69,190		(3,021)	66,169
520	115		Real Estate Rental	773,231	798,611		37,161	835,772
520	118		Refuse Disposal	51,930	52,260		(17,929)	34,331
520	119		Computer Equip/Software Maint.	939,734	1,378,757	(6,653)	314,111	1,686,215
520	121		IT Application Services	24,745	108,300	-	(47,162)	61,138
520	123		Vehicle & Motor Equip. Services	-	-		76	76
520	124		Other Equipment Services	601,677	354,402	-	(91,451)	262,951
520	143		Credit/Bank Card Svcs	90	128		(127)	1
520	520		Printing & Reproduction Serv.	6,038	12,656		(12,936)	(280
520	605		Public Information Svcs	3,911	6,091		(2,302)	3,789
520	705		Insurance (Non-Medical)	133,594	183,594		3,324	186,918
520	760		Contributions	-	-		560	560

				FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:				_				-
		Servi	ces:					-
5	20765		Membership & Prof. Fees	26,476	27,033		327	27,360
5	20805		Education & Training	326,799	331,227	-	(75,507)	255,720
5	20815		Tuition Reimbursement	12,528	17,008		17,590	34,598
5	20905		Travel - Training Related	102,534	18,307	60	3,054	21,421
5	20910		Travel - Non-training Related	24,032	29,897		(24,187)	5,710
5	21405		<b>Building Maintenance Services</b>	6,036	13,977	(1,180)	6,347	19,144
5	21505		Utilities	123,244	100,421		56,095	156,516
5	21605		Data Services	207,174	184,764		24,027	208,791
5	21610		Voice Services, Equip & Labor	46,499	51,089		1,519	52,608
5	21725		Other Rental Fees	64,898	67,693		(12,210)	55,483
5	21730		Parking Space Rental	187,936	192,079		16,421	208,500
5	21905		Legal Services	10,035	17,000		(11,357)	5,643
5	22205		Metro Commuter Passes	24,597	27,204		(27,186)	18
5	22305		Freight	31,007	31,528	-	(2,441)	29,087
5	22430		Misc. Other Services & Chrgs	82,296	85,644		18,194	103,838
5	28000		Grant Match Expense		(1,180)	1,180		-
5	29000		Subrecipient Expense - Grants	60,735	(29,523)	-		(29,523
5	32000		Sub-Contractor (COH)	689,122	896,970		(210,000)	686,970
		Servi	Ces:	6,056,881	6,502,027	356,207	(35,301)	6,822,933

		FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:						-
	Interest Expense	1,093,496	1,073,135		19,000	1,092,135
	Non-Capital Expenditures					-
55101	Furniture and Fixtures	274,844	20,097	-	2,000	22,097
55101	Computer Equipment	159,405	245,083		(10,000)	235,083
55102	Scientific/Medical Equipment	t 28,015	19,752		2,000	21,752
55104	Non-Capital - Other	-	-			-
	Total Non-Capital Expenditures	462,264	284,932	-	(6,000)	278,932

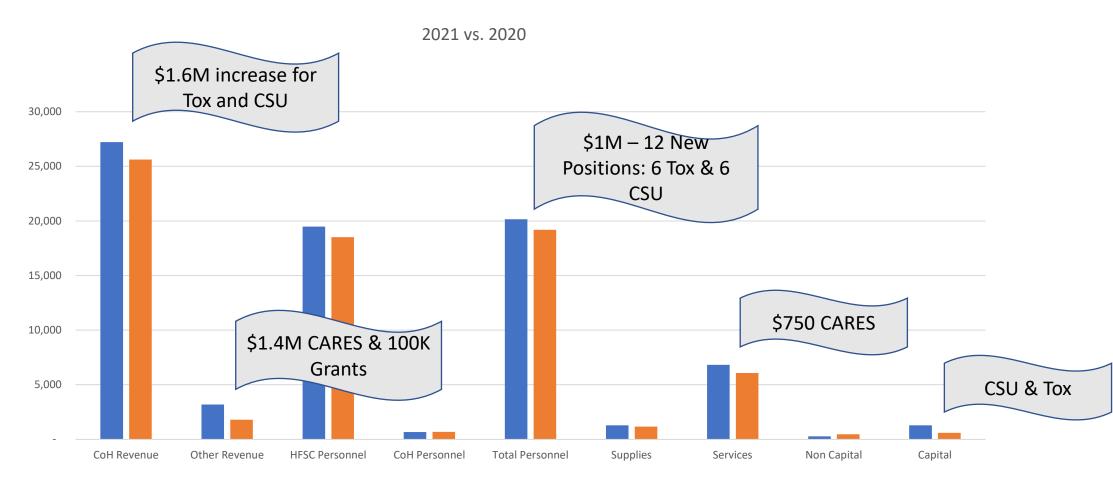
		FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expenses:						-
	Capital Expenditures					
170140	Improvements	360,098	-	152,000	11,428	163,428
170210	Furniture & Fixtures		-		-	-
	Capital - Vehicles	69,403	283,000		(79,148)	203,852
170230	Computer Hardware/SW	-	-	128,000	137,458	265,458
170240	Scientific/Foren Eqmt	161,734	291,733		(256,497)	35,236
	Intangible Assets	691,918	-		610,356	610,356
170980	Const in Progress		38,000		(38,000)	-
	Total Capital Expenditures	1,283,153	612,733	280,000	385,598	1,278,330
Total Expense and C	apital Before Depreciation	27,291,265	29,456,443	773,955	6,140	30,236,538

			FY20 Actual	FY21 Budget v2	Grant Spending	FY21 Adj's	FY21 Budget v3
Expen	ISES:						-
	561230	Depreciation	1,806,679	1,710,851		(6,140)	1,704,711
	620000	HPD-Reimbursed Expenses		-			-
	669000	<b>Reconciliation Discrepancies</b>		-			-
Total I	Expense and Capit	al After Depreciation	29,097,944	31,167,294	773,955	(0)	31,941,249
Ne	et Ordinary Income	After Capital Expenditures	(1,677,968)	(1,037,808)			(1,037,808)
Other	Expense:						-
	610000	City of Houston Direct Overhead					-
		Grant and Training Expense		577,056	(773,955)		(196,899)

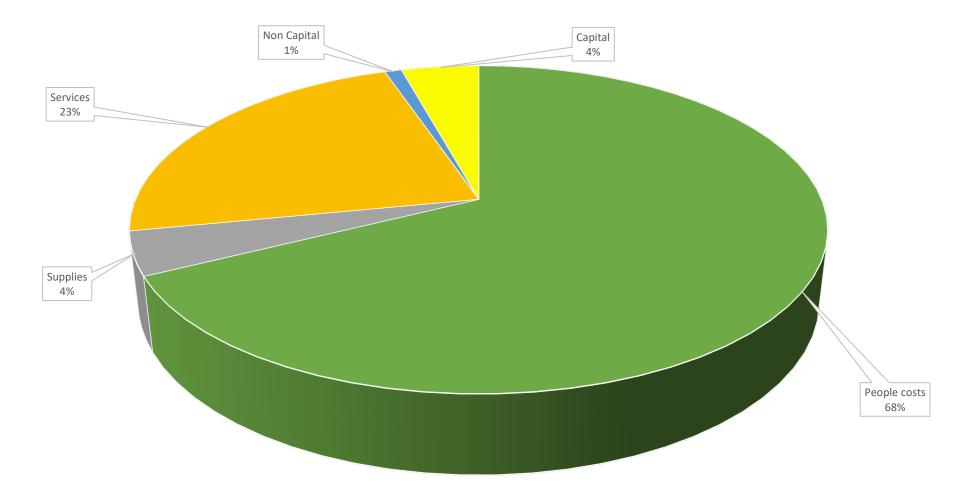
## Your Approval of the Final FY21 Budget Reallocation

## HFSC Fiscal Year 2021 Year End Review

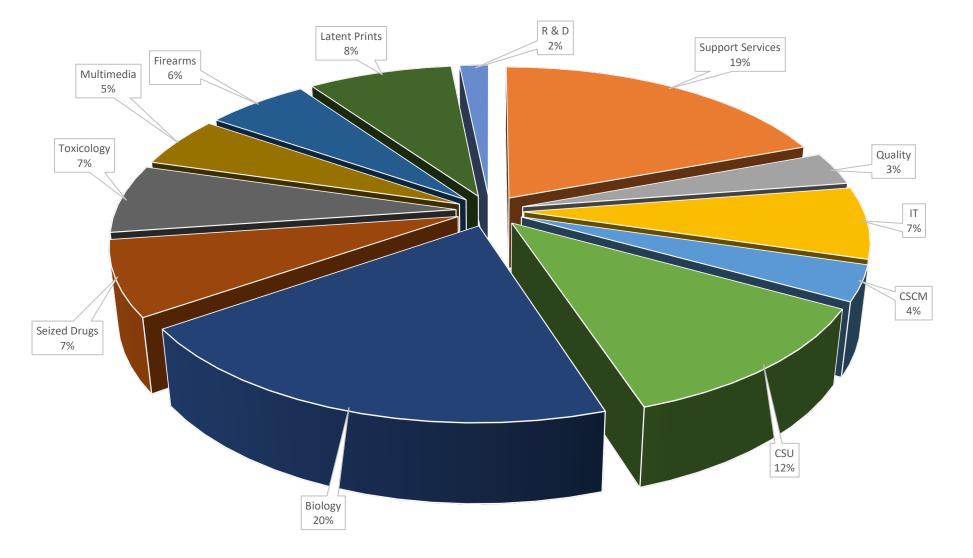
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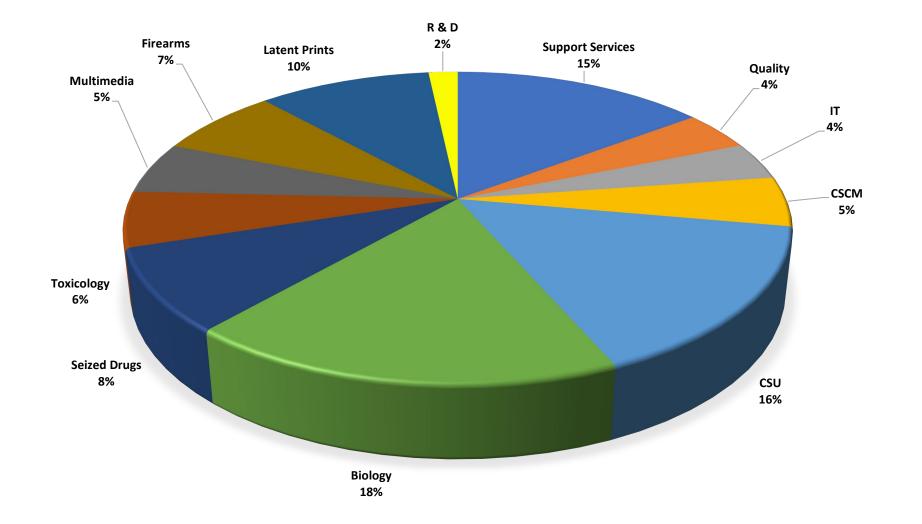
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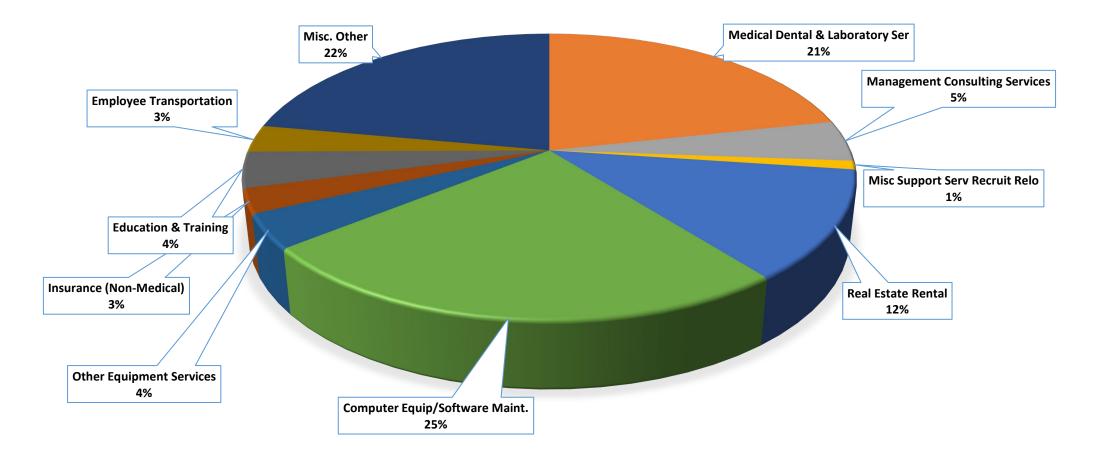
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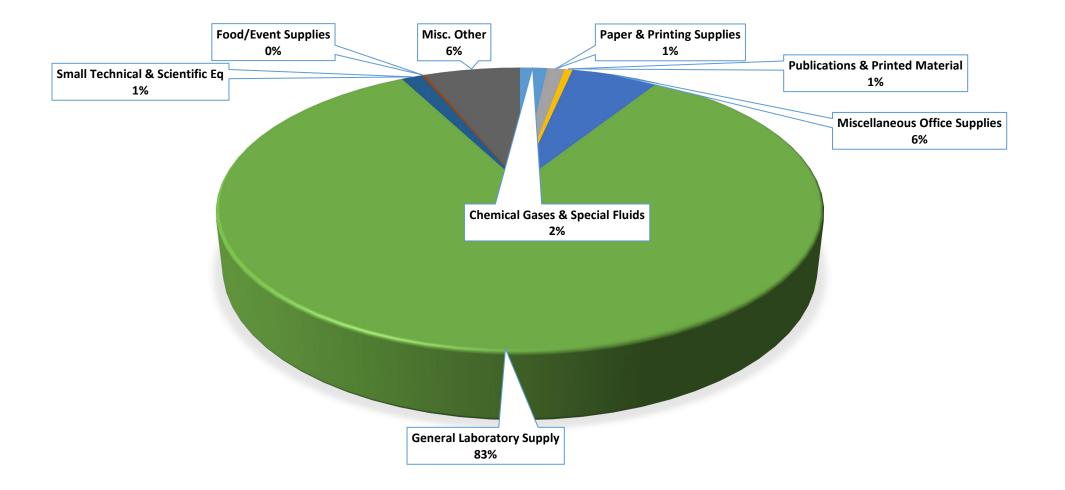
## FY 2021 Payroll Cost by Department (68%)



# FY 2021 Services Detail (23%)



FY 2021 Supplies Detail (4%)



# FY 2021 Capital Spending

Fixed Assets	HFSC	Grant
Vehicles	204	
VEB - CSU		152
Digital (Saelig tent)	11	
Computer Hardware/Software	172	128
Leased equip - LCQQQ & RapitHit	610	
Total	998	280
Grand Total		1,278

HOUSTON	I FORENSIC SCIENCE (	CENTER, IN	IC.								
COMPARA	ATIVE STATEMENT OF	ACTIVITIES	S - ACCRUA	AL BASIS							
or the Peri	od July 1, 2020 through Ju	ne 30, 2021									
			YTD								21
		FY21	FY21	FY20		Varia	ance		Г	FY21	% Year
		July 1-June 30, 2021	July 1-June		Vs. Budget %		Vs. FY20 %		Budget V3		Completed
		_	# of Months								
Revenues:			12					_	_		
411000	City of Houston-Appropriations	\$ 27,218	\$ 27,220	\$ 25,294	\$ (3)	0%	\$ 1,924	8%	\$	27,220	1009
415000	City of Houston Direct OH-Appro	-	0	327	(0)	-100%	(327)	-100%		0	0
416000	City of Houston - Safe funds	-	66	-	(66)	0%	-	0%		66	0
417000	COH - COVID Funds	1,359	-	-	1,359	0%	1,359	0%		-	0
420000	Contributions	-	10	3	(10)	-100%	(3)	-100%		10	0
425000	In-Kind Donations	4	-	-	4	0%	4	0%		-	0
440000	Grants	1,711	1,616	1,616	95	6%	95	6%		1,616	106
450000	Forensic Services	50	38	47	12	32%	3	6%		38	132
443000	Other	45	-	23	45	0%	23	99%		-	0
450002	Interest Income	22	102	111	(80)	-78%	(88)	-80%		102	22
otal Income		30,409	29,053	27,420	1,356	5%	2,989	11%		29,053	105
xpenses:									_		
Per	rsonnel:										
500010	Salary Base - Civilian	15,964	15,964	15,170	0	0%	(794)	-5%		15,964	100
501070	Pension - Civilian	980	980	855	0	0%	(125)	-15%		980	100
502010	FICA - Civilian	1,124	1,124	1,091	(0)	0%	(34)	-3%		1,124	100
503010	Health Insurance - Active Civil	1,373	1,373	1,300	0	0%	(73)	-6%		1,373	100
503015	Basic Life Ins - Active Civil	16	16	21	0	0%	6	26%		16	100
503090	Workers Comp - Civilian Adm	3	3	56	(0)	0%	53	94%		3	100
504031	Unemployment Taxes - Admin	24	24	24	0	0%	(0)	-2%		24	100
500000	Personnel - Other	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%		-	0
		19,485	19,485	18,518	0	0%	(967)	-5%		19,485	1009

HOUSTON	FORENSIC SCIENCE C	ENTER, IN	IC.							
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		FY21								% Year
		July 1-June 30, 2021	Budget	July 1- June 30, 2020	Vs. Budget	%	Vs. FY20	%	FY21 Budget V3	Completed
			# of Months							-
			12							
Su	pplies:									
511010	Chemical Gases & Special Fluids	22	22	22	(0)	0%	(0)	0%	22	
511040	Audio Visual Supplies	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%		0
511045	Computer Supplies	0	0	-	(0)	0%	(0)		0	100
511050	Paper & Printing Supplies	14	14	7	0	0%	(8)	-113%	14	100
511055	Publications & Printed Material	6	6	10	(0)	0%	4	39%	6	100
511060	Postage	0	0	0	0	0%	(0)	-15%	0	100
511070	Miscellaneous Office Supplies	72	72	79	0	0%	7	9%	72	100
511080	General Laboratory Supply	1,065	1,067	960	3	0%	(105)	-11%	1,067	100
511095	Small Technical & Scientific Eq	17	17	8	0	0%	(9)	-112%	17	100
511120	Clothing	28	28	14	(0)	0%	(14)	-102%	28	100
511125	Food/Event Supplies	3	3	20	0	0%	17	87%	3	100
511130	Weapons Munitions & Supplies	12	12	7	(0)	0%	(5)	-64%	12	100
511145	Small Tools & Minor Equipment	28	28	8	(0)	0%	(20)	-245%	28	100
511150	Miscellaneous Parts & Supplies	10	10	25	0	0%	16	61%	10	1009
		1,277	1,279	1,161	3	0%	(116)	-10%	1,279	1009
Sei	rvices:	_								
520100	Temporary Personnel Services	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%		00
520105	Accounting & Auditing Svcs	55	55	50	0	0%	(5)	-10%	55	100
520109	Medical Dental & Laboratory Ser	1,467	1,467	1,135	-	0%	(332)	-29%	1,467	1009
520110	Management Consulting Services	316	316	248	(0)	0%	(68)	-27%	316	100%

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		FY21	FY21	FY20		Vari	ance		FY21	~ % Year
		July 1-June 30, 2021	Budget	July 1- June 30, 2020	Vs. Budget	%	Vs. FY20	%	Budget V3	Completed
			# of Months 12							
Sei	rvices:									
520112	Banking Services	4	4	3	0	0%	(1)	-41%	4	100%
520113	Photographic Services	1	1	-	(0)		(1)	0%	1	
520114	Misc Support Serv Recruit Relo	66	66	60	0	0%	(6)	-10%	66	100%
520115	Real Estate Rental	836	836	773	0	0%	(63)	-8%	836	100%
520118	Refuse Disposal	34	34	52	(0)	0%	18	34%	34	100%
520119	Computer Equip/Software Maint.	1,686	1,686	940	(0)	0%	(746)	-79%	1,686	100%
520121	IT Application Services	61	61	25	0	0%	(36)	0%	61	100%
520123	Vehicle & Motor Equip. Services	0	0	-	(0)		(0)	0%	0	
520124	Other Equipment Services	263	263	602	(0)	0%	339	56%	263	100%
520143	Credit/Bank Card Svcs	-	0	0	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%
520145	Criminal Intelligence Services	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%
520520	Printing & Reproduction Serv.	(0)	(0)	6	(0)	0%	6	105%	(0)	100%
520605	Public Information Svcs	4	4	4	(0)	0%	0	3%	4	100%
520705	Insurance (Non-Medical)	187	187	134	(0)	0%	(53)	-40%	187	100%
520760	Contributions	1	1	-	-		(1)	0%	1	0%
520765	Membership & Prof. Fees	27	27	26	0	0%	(1)	-3%	27	100%
520805	Education & Training	256	256	327	0	0%	71	22%	256	100%
520815	Tuition Reimbursement	35	35	13	0	0%	(22)	-176%	35	100%
520905	Travel - Training Related	21	21	103	(0)	0%	81	79%	21	100%
520910	Travel - Non-training Related	6	6	24	0	0%	18	76%	6	100%
521405	Building Maintenance Services	19	19	6	(0)	0%	(13)	-217%	19	100%
521505	Utilities	157	157	123	0	0%	(33)	-27%	157	100%

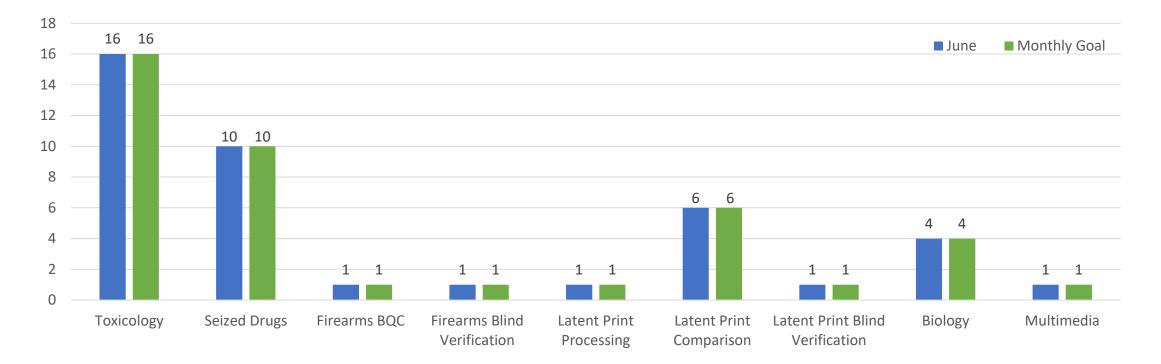
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		FY21	FY21	FY20		Varia	ince		FY21	% Year
		July 1-June 30, 2021	Budget	July 1- June 30, 2020	Vs. Budget	%	Vs. FY20	%	Budget V3	Completed
			# of Months 12							
Ser	rvices:									
521605	Data Services	209	209	207	(0)	0%	(2)	-1%	209	100%
521610	Voice Services, Equip & Labor	53	53	46	0	0%	(6)	-13%	53	100%
521705	Vehicle/Equipment Rental/Lease	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%
521725	Other Rental Fees	55	55	65	0	0%	9	15%	55	100%
521730	Parking Space Rental	209	209	188	0	0%	(21)	-11%	209	100%
521905	Legal Services	6	6	10	(0)	0%	4	0%	6	100%
522205	Metro Commuter Passes	0	0	25	(0)	-1%	25	100%	0	101%
522305	Shipping and Freight	29	29	31	0	0%	2	6%	29	100%
522430	Misc. Other Services & Chrgs	104	104	82	0	0%	(22)	-26%	104	100%
522720	Insurance - General & Professional	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%
523100	Civilian Payroll	669	671	675	2	0%	7	1%	671	100%
523200	Classified Payroll	-	-	-	-	0%	-		-	
523300	Supplies	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	
523400	Services	5	16	14	11	67%	8	60%	16	33%
523000	Sub-Contractor (COH-HPD) Total	-	687	-	13	2%	15		687	0%
529000	Subrecipient Expense - Grants	(30)	-	61	30		90		-	
	Total Services	6,810	6,852	6,057	42	1%	(753)	-12%	6,852	99%
Nor	n-Capital Expenditures									
551010	Furniture and Fixtures	22	22	275	0	1%	253	92%	22	99%
551015	Computer Hardware/SW	233	235	159	2	1%	(73)	-46%	235	99%
551025	Scientific/Foren Eqmt	21	22	28	1	3%	7	25%	22	97%
	Total Non-Capital Expenditures	276	279	462	3	1%	186	40%	279	99%

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COMPAR	ATIVE STATEMENT OF A	CTIVITIES	<b>S</b> - ACCRUA	AL BASIS						
For the Peri	iod July 1, 2020 through Jun	e 30, 2021								
				١	/TD				FY	21
		FY21	FY21	FY20		Vari	ance		FY21	% Year
		July 1-June 30, 2021	Budget	July 1- June 30, 2020	Vs. Budget	%	Vs. FY20	%	Budget V3	Completed
			# of Months 12					_		
Ca	pital Expenditures									
170140	Improvements	163	163	360	-	0%	197	55%	 163	100%
170210	Furniture & Fixtures	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	 -	0%
170230	Computer Hardware/SW	265	265	-	-	0%	(265)	0%	 265	0%
170240	Scientific/Foren Eqmt	239	239	(212)	-	0%	(451)	213%	 239	100%
	Leased Equipment	610	610	636	-	0%	26	0%	 	
170980	Const in Progress	-	-	(189)	-	0%	(189)	100%	 -	
	Total Capital Expenditures	1,278	1,278	596	-	0%	(682)	-115%	 1,278	100%
Total Expense an	d Capital Before Depreciation	29,125	29,174	26,794	48	0%	(2,332)	-9%	 29,174	100%
561230	Depreciation	1,828	1,705	1,807	(123)	-7%	(21)	-1%	1,705	107%
570505	FA Gain/Loss	293	-	-	(293)	0%	-	0%	-	0%
531085	Interest Expense	1,092	-	-	0			100%		
610000	City of Houston Direct Overhead	-	-	327	-		327	100%	-	
620000	HPD-Reimbursed Expenses	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%
	Grant and Training Expense	-	-	-	-		-	0%	-	
Total Expense an	d Capital After Depreciation	32,339	31,971	30,187	(368)	-1%	(2,152)	-7%	31,971	101%
Ne	t Ordinary Income less capital spending	(1,930)	(2,918)	(2,767)	988	-34%	837	-30%	 (2,918)	66%

# Quality Division Report August 13, 2021

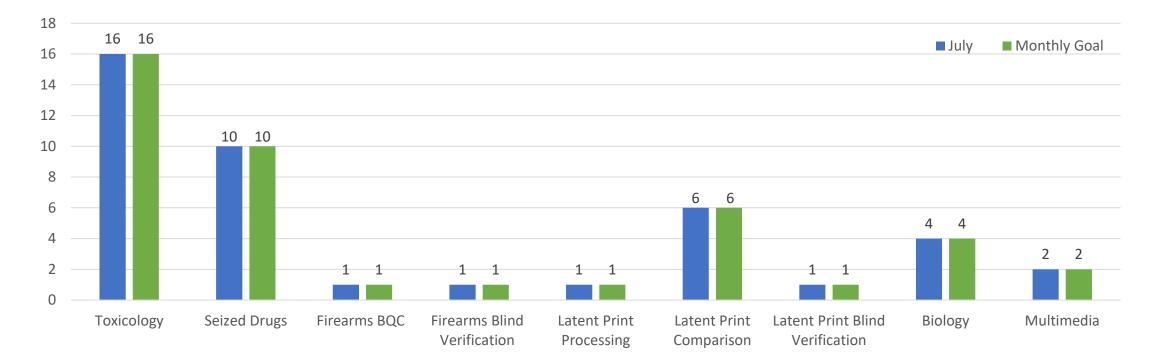


## Blind Quality Controls Submitted in June





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## Blind Quality: Accomplishments and Challenges

Eoropeic Discipling	Cases Completed in	<b>Cases Completed in</b>				
Forensic Discipline	June	July				
Toxicology – BAC	20	14				
Seized Drugs	28	11				
Pielogy	2 (DNA)	6 (DNA)				
Biology	5 (screening)	3 (screening)				
Firearms	1	0				
Firearms	1	1				
Blind Verification	2	0				
Latent Print Processing	2	0				
Latent Print Comparison	8	1				
Latent Print	2	3				
<b>Blind Verification</b>	۷	Э				
Multimedia	1	0				



### ANAB Assessment

- Toxicology scope expansion approved by ANAB
- One nonconformance regarding criteria for acceptable performance in toxicology training program
- ANAB approved toxicology section remediation
- Revising all training manuals for compliance



## Disclosures/Complaints

Latent print disclosure to the Texas Forensic Science Commission involving an examiner who failed to complete database searches indicating "hits" may have been missed:

- TFSC voted to take no further action given the root cause analysis, case review and corrective actions taken by the laboratory
- Harris County District Attorney's Office notified
- Case analyst is no longer employed at HFSC



## Disclosures/Complaints

Progress update

- Investigation is still ongoing
- Collaborated with Harris County District Attorney's Office and agreed to prioritize rework of cases with pending criminal charges
- To date rework has been completed in 27 cases. Seven cases in progress
- Once completed, 106 disposed cases will be reworked



# Disclosures/Complaints

Forensic biology quality-related complaint disclosed to the Texas Forensic Science Commission involving negative serological tests:

- TFSC voted to take no further action given the root cause analysis, case review and corrective actions taken by the laboratory
- Harris County District Attorney's Office notified
- Blind spot identified in workflow with negative serological tests
- Audit of 23 cases spanning the last 5 years
- To date rework has been completed in 21 cases. Reported results are consistent with original analyses
- Once completed, audit will be extended to include all screeners



# Survey Responses

Survey link responses for 2021:

- 12 responses received in the second quarter of the year:
  - Satisfied or very satisfied

11 responses

- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
  - 1 response
- Dissatisfied or very dissatisfied
   0 responses



#### #59

#### COMPLETE

Collector:	Web Link 1 (Web Link)			
Started:	Wednesday, June 02, 2021 1:28:14 PM			
Last Modified:	Wednesday, June 02, 2021 1:29:55 PM			
Time Spent:	00:01:40			
IP Address:	50.201.228.202			

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# Q1 Prosecutor For the purpose of this survey, how you would define yourself? Toxicology Q2 Toxicology What section are you giving feedback on? Neither satisfied or dissatisfied

How satisfied are you with HFSC services?

#### Q4

This space can be used for all feedback. If your feedback is case specific, please include all relevant information, including agency case number and your contact information so we can directly address your feedback. If you would like to be contacted regarding your feedback, please include your contact information.

There should be an easier process to get the DWI Evidence Packets. Also, it is much more efficient to subpoena by email. Can we get the email addresses for your analysts and techs?



## Direct Feedback

Contacted Harris County District Attorney's Office to solicit direct feedback

- Email response: "I read the feedback from the anonymous prosecutor and I have to disagree. I don't have any complaints about your process."
- Virtual response: No concerns about discovery request process
  - Informative conversation regarding toxicology section workflow



### 2021 Testimony Data

- 2021: 20 analysts have testified this year
  - 15 were monitored
  - 5 not monitored. Will need to be monitored during next testimony or transcript will be reviewed
- Transcript review project
  - Four transcripts being evaluated



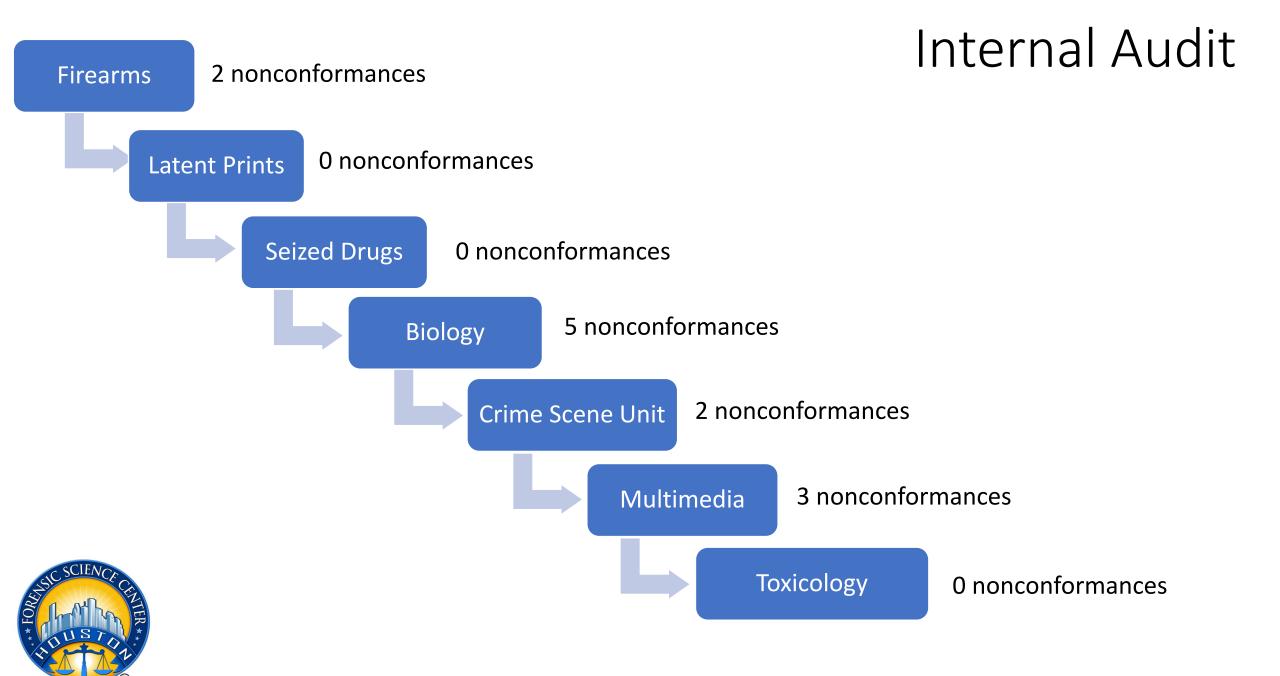
# Detailed Data



# 2021 Proficiency Testing

Discipline		Tests in Progress	Tests Completed	Comments
Seized Drugs		0	7	
Toxicology		0	14	
Firearms		7	0	
Crime Scene		3	0	
Latent Prints		10	0	
Multimedia	Audio/Video	4	0	
wuitimedia	Digital	4	0	
Forensic Biology		11	20	







Corrective Actions, Incidents, and Preventive Actions

Quality Tracking Number	Section	Classification	Notification Date	Summary of Notification		
2021-011	Biology/DNA	Incident	7/13/2021	A swab portion inadvertently fell out of a tube and made contact with the tube rack during a differential extraction procedure. The tube was the first evidence tube in the extraction set and no other sample tubes were open at the time.		
2021-034	Biology/DNA	Incident	6/1/2021	The date that the quality control check of a quantification kit was incorrectly recorded as occurring in February 2021 as opposed to July 2021.		
2021-039	Biology/DNA	Incident	7/20/2021	An extraction reagent blank exhibited low-level allelic activity and the source of the allelic activity has not been conclusively determined. The affected samples will be reviewed to determine if re-extraction will require permission to consume.		
2021-IA-03	Biology/DNA	Incident	6/8/2021	A contract analyst did not fulfill the annual requirement of eight hours of continuing education/professional development in 2020.		
2021-IA-05	Biology/DNA	Incident	6/8/2021	During the 2021 internal audit the audit team observed several instances where original observations and/or test results were crossed out but did not include documentation for the reason for the rejection.		
2021-IA-06	Biology/DNA	Incident	6/8/2021	During the 2021 internal audit the audit team noted that contract workers had not documented their review of section meeting minutes as is required by the Quality Manual.		
2021-IA-07	Biology/DNA	Incident	6/8/2021	During the 2021 internal audit the audit team discovered that the Ownership Review Checklist was incomplete in case 2019-09625 even though the review had been completed by the reviewer in the laboratory information management system (LIMS).		
2021-IA-04	Biology/DNA, Quality	Incident	6/8/2021	During the 2021 internal audit the audit team noted that there is not a system in place to allow the DNA technical leader to document her review of all internal and external audit documentation as is required by the FBI Quality Assurance Standards clause 15.5.		
2021-031	Client Services & Case Management	Corrective Action	6/3/2021	Evidence from a submitting agency was inadvertently released to a different agency by a CS/CM supervisor. The evidence was sealed when it was released and upon discovery the sealed evidence was returned to HFSC.		

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Quality Tracking Number	Section	Classification	Notification Date	Summary of Notification
2021-035	Client Services & Case Management	Incident	7/1/2021	During accessioning, a Client Services/Case Management Supervisor did not reject toxicology evidence even though there was a discrepancy between the evidence description on the submitting agency's evidence label and the contents received.
2021-033	Crime Scene	Incident	6/30/2021	A crime scene investigator mislabeled two DNA swab boxes. One box was mislabeled as a possible blood swab but was corrected to reflect that it contained possible contact DNA. The other box was mislabeled being collected from the exterior grip but was corrected to omit "exterior grip" from the description.
2021-032	Firearms	Corrective Action	6/8/2021	Test fired bullets were switched in two cases during NIBIN processing. This was discovered when a Firearms examiner received one set of the switched test fires for comparison and observed the test fired bullets were not the correct caliber to have been created by the associated firearm in the case.
2021-036	Firearms	Incident	6/21/2021	A NIBIN hit notification was issued with the incorrect Houston Police Department case number due to an error at the Houston Police Department Property Room.
2021-040	Firearms	Corrective Action	7/28/2021	A Firearms examiner did not restore the first character in the serial number restoration proficiency test and a verification was not able to be performed on the last two characters. The last two characters were therefore not reported. Due to additional issues with the test that spanned multiple test takers/laboratories, the proficiency test provider has agreed to issue a new test.
2021-023	Latent Print Section	Corrective Action	7/22/2021	While reviewing the results received from the proficiency test provider, the Latent Print Technical Leader noticed that the final version of the worksheet did not contain the subject names. The previous version of the worksheet does contain subject names. The primary examiner is unable to determine what changes were made to the worksheet after it was submitted for technical review.

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Quality Tracking Number	Section	Classification	Notification Date	Summary of Notification
2021-038	Latent Print Section	Incident	7/26/2021	A latent print processor processed items that were not included in the stakeholder's request. The request was for a firearm and magazine to be processed; however unfired cartridges were also processed even though they were not included in the request.
2021-037	Quality	Corrective Action	7/22/2021	The 2021 ANAB surveillance desk review and Toxicology scope extension assessment yielded one nonconformance. The Toxicology Training Manual has criteria that the trainee must meet to pass the practical competency test however the manual states only that the trainee must "satisfactory complete" the written and/or oral examination. There is no written description as to what constitutes "satisfactory completion" of a written and/or oral examination.
2021-PAR7	Quality	Preventive Action	6/15/2021	A table was added to the Quality Manual (effective June 15, 2021) to help track revisions from previous versions. The table depicts revised language as well as the applicable section of the manual to allow for revision transparency and traceability.
2021-PAR8	Quality	Preventive Action	6/15/2021	The yearly calibration of balances was modified to be completed earlier in the calendar year rather than during the month of December. Because calibration relies on an external vendor's availability to come onsite, there is a potential risk that this service may not be completed within the calendar year. Calibration is critical for balances assigned to the Seized Drugs section because it ensures the accuracy and validity of their reported weights.
2021-PAR9	Toxicology	Preventive Action	7/27/2021	The Toxicology section is adding a clear piece of tape around the barcode labels for blood tubes that need to undergo confirmatory testing. This new process was implemented to prevent barcode labels from falling off due to condensation that forms when refrigerated samples reach room temperature.

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# HFSC Potential Property Room Consolidation Project

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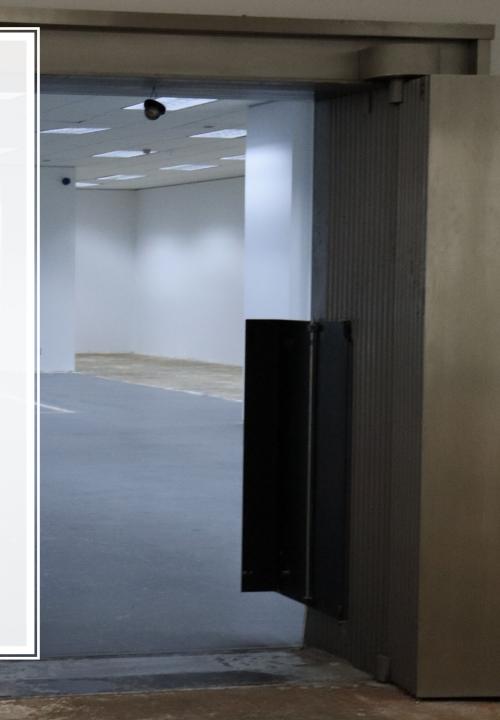
#### <u>Project</u> Objective/Opportunity

- Improve evidence/property management processes (receiving, maintaining, storing, disposing, inventorying), enhance procedures, tighten security, accreditation
- HFSC's structure provides an opportunity for HFSC to potentially oversee property management for the city/county, goal to save money, improve effectiveness of justice system
- Allows law enforcement to focus on their responsibilities, improves interface with HFSC forensic activities
- Significant opportunity to do something good for the city, county, justice system, potential to jointly produce over time the model for property management

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#### Scope/Potential Facility Identified

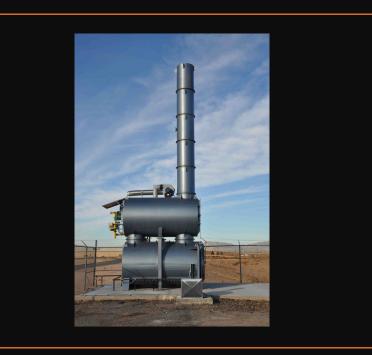
- Initial scope (pilot, proof of concept) is HPD drugs
- Next scope is HPD guns and money. Potentially then include Harris County drugs, etc., other jurisdictions?
- Have identified potential former bank vault facility, secure, in basement of downtown building. Space has never flooded: Allison (2001), Ike (2008), Katrina (2008), Harvey (2017).
   Space could be HFSC/City/County/Landlord win-win, need reasonable cost
- This identified basement space includes around 17,000sf of usable vault, other storage, staging, office areas. This square footage excludes the secure delivery 3 bay plus incinerator area. Also, opportunity for basement/1<sup>st</sup> floor expansion
- Project procedures critical, documentation, how evidence is stored and retrieved (all users say current evidence storage/search processes are too labor intensive). Focused, continued disposal program critical
- Need to ensure safe operation

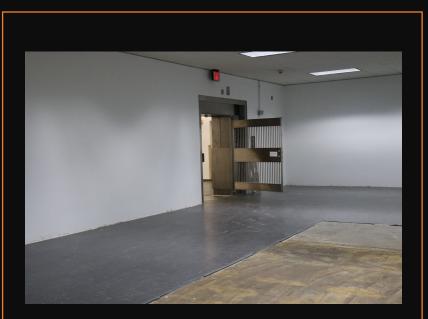


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#### **Propose Multiple Project Tracks**

- Need to work multiple project tracks:
  - Scope, timing, initial, end game
  - Facility design/features/incinerator, security, safety, lease
  - Cost, budgets, City (HPD)/County cost sharing, billing
  - Legal agreements
  - Resourcing
  - IT connectivity, systems, interface
  - Operating procedures, how file evidence
  - Disposal procedures
  - Training
  - Move in





**HFSC Potential** Property Room Consolidation Project **HFSC Board** Update 8/13/2021

#### **Proposed Deal Structure/Project Status**

- Proposing 30-year lease (City/Landlord lease, City/HFSC sub-lease), 24/7 operation:
  - Potentially similar lease structure to 500 Jefferson
  - Propose to use 500 Jefferson lease agreement as starting point, have provided Landlord with certain parts of 500 Jefferson lease (public document)
  - Construction, facility equipment in lease, could County potentially fund part (low cost of capital), reimbursed via services, need to work structure, fair charge-out/not overly complicated
  - Potential early lease termination clause after 20 years
- Project will likely require: a) a new ILA with the City or amendment to the existing City ILA, b) a new ICA with HPD or amendment to the existing HPD ICA.
- Have prepared specifications, timetable, as-is shelving documents (drugs, guns, money):
  - Using documents in Landlord/consultant discussions, August 2021/onwards.
  - Also working with City (and then County) on as-is cost/staffing model
  - Will work with Landlord on to-be cost

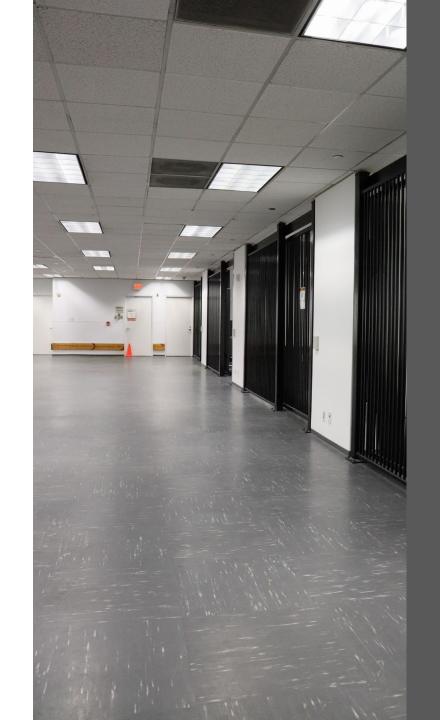


- Resourcing needs to be worked, initial scope around 25, rising to around 90
- Several facility tours have been conducted: HPD, HCSO, HCDAO, HFSC Board, City Council Members, HFSC. All positive about space opportunity, cost is critical
- HFSC visited HPD drugs, guns, money property room sites to collect as-is data:
  - Around 9,500sf of existing property room storage space, plus some additional office space. Some evidence in corridors, space tight
  - In total, around 330 shelving units, 1,550ft shelving units, 12,600ft shelves
  - Ceiling heights vary: 9 feet, 11 feet, 15 feet
  - Need to consider rolling shelving versus fixed, fixed bolted to floor, maximize new facility potential around 20 feet ceiling height
  - Critical need is focused disposal program

#### **Project Status**

# **Project Status**

- Significant potential savings opportunity from having incinerator on-site, allows/requires burns several times a week, versus current 3,000lb bulk burns, saving SWAT security/3<sup>rd</sup> party costs
- Security critical, will leverage HFSC 500 Jefferson/VEB keypad, card reader and camera systems.
- Facility will require 24/7-armed guard presence, initial discussions with HPD conducted





#### Proposed Stakeholder/Project Reviews (commenced at appropriate time)

- Monthly stakeholder meetings (City, HPD, HFSC, etc.), will include Landlord
- Weekly HFSC/Landlord/contractor construction progress/issues/critical path meetings
- Monthly HFSC Board updates

#### **Current Critical Items List**

- Cost, lease, operating costs. Space plans, headcount, meet initial needs, design for long-term
- Incinerator, sizing, venting, operating costs. HVAC, clean air, humidity controls, fire mitigation
- Security hardening. Evidence storage plans. Operating and disposal procedures. All conducted in a safe manner
- Legal agreements

#### **Current Action Plans**

• Conduct Landlord/consultant discussions and workshops, discuss critical items list