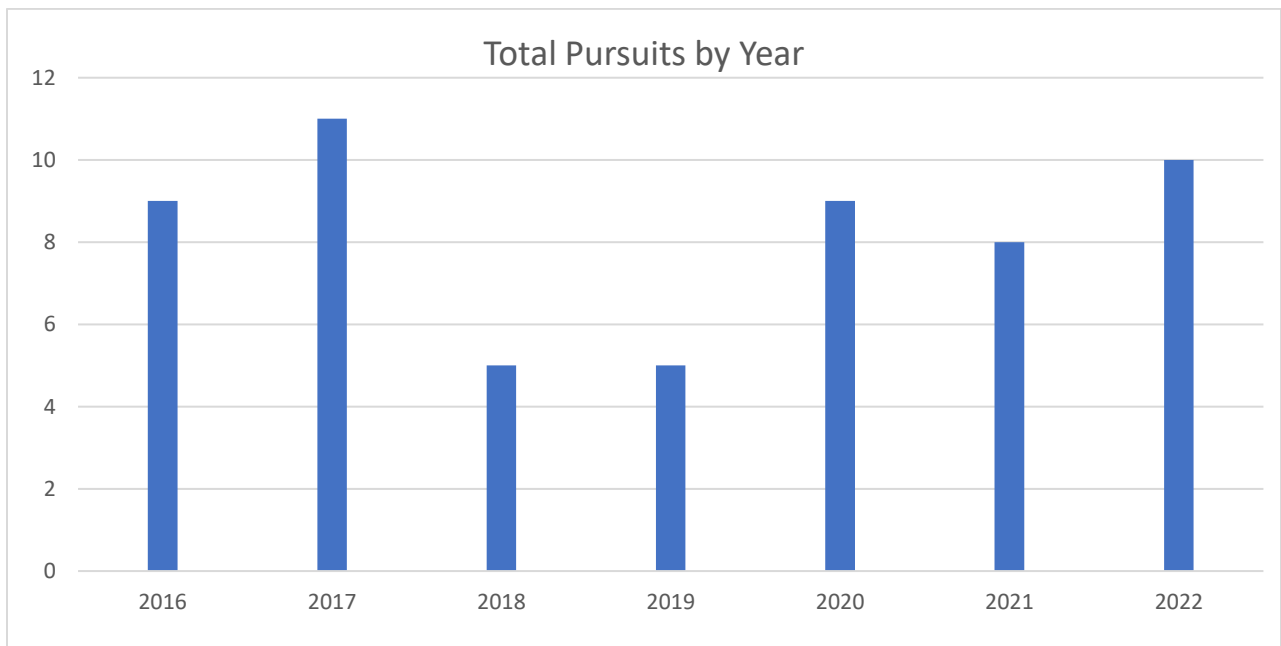


To: Chief Tad Dionne
From: Captain Mike Davis
Date: December 31, 2022
Re: 2022 Pursuit Analysis Report

In 2022, there were ten (10) Police Pursuits in Hudson, up one from the previous year. There were nine (9) in 2016, eleven (11) in 2017, five (5) in 2018, five (5) in 2019, nine (9) in 2020, and eight (8) in 2021. This analysis report will evaluate these pursuits.



Date and Time:

There were ten (10) pursuits in 2022 as outlined. There were three (3) on A Squad, four (4) on B Squad, and three (3) on C Squad.

Reports indicate there is no pattern for any specific day of the week having more pursuits than other days. There was one (1) each on Sunday, Tuesday, and Friday respectively. There were two (2) pursuits on Saturdays and Wednesdays, and three (3) on Mondays.

Original Offense:

Nine (9) of the pursuits originated from motor vehicle infractions. Of the nine (9), five pursuits began with excessive speeds, two were off road motor cycles operating on the roadway, and two (2) for yellow line and following too close. The other one (1) pursuit was initiated when an officer observed a narcotics transaction.

Property Damage:

There were ten (10) pursuits this year. None (0) resulted in property damage.

Reason for Termination of Pursuit:

Three (3) of the pursuits were terminated by the officer who determined the suspect was driving too recklessly. Two (2) of the pursuits were terminated by surrender of the driver. None (0) ended with a crash. Five (5) were discontinued by the supervisor. Three of the suspects were identified and later arrested.

Were Spike Strips Used?

Spike Strips were not deployed in any of these pursuits due to either the road conditions, traffic, or location of secondary officers.

Injuries:

Zero (0) pursuits in 2022 resulted in the suspect, officers, or members of the public being injured while Hudson Police were actively in pursuit.

Were Emergency Lights and Siren Used?

Emergency lights were activated during all ten (10) pursuits, and sirens were activated in all ten (10) of the pursuits.

Did a Supervisor Take Control of the Pursuits?

The Shift Commander or the Shift Supervisor took control and monitored eight (8) of the ten (10) pursuits. For one (1) pursuit the Shift Commander was the pursuing officer. The other one (1) pursuit involved the officer not calling out the pursuit prior to the officer making the decision to discontinue the pursuit. Training was conducted with that officer.

Average Length and Distance of Pursuits

The average time of the pursuits was 3:58 minutes; with the longest pursuit lasting nine (9) minutes. Without the 9 minute pursuit, the average time was 3:00 minutes.

The average distance of the pursuits was 2.79 miles; with the longest nine (9) miles.

Did the Pursuit Leave Hudson, New Hampshire?

Five (5) of the ten (10) pursuits left Hudson, New Hampshire. One pursuit was terminated by the officer as the suspect entered Nashua at a high rate of speed on the Veterans Bridge. One was terminated by the supervisor in Nashua, NH. One pursuit left Hudson, but turned around and returned to Hudson while the officers were pursuing it. Two pursuits terminated as the vehicle was entering Massachusetts.

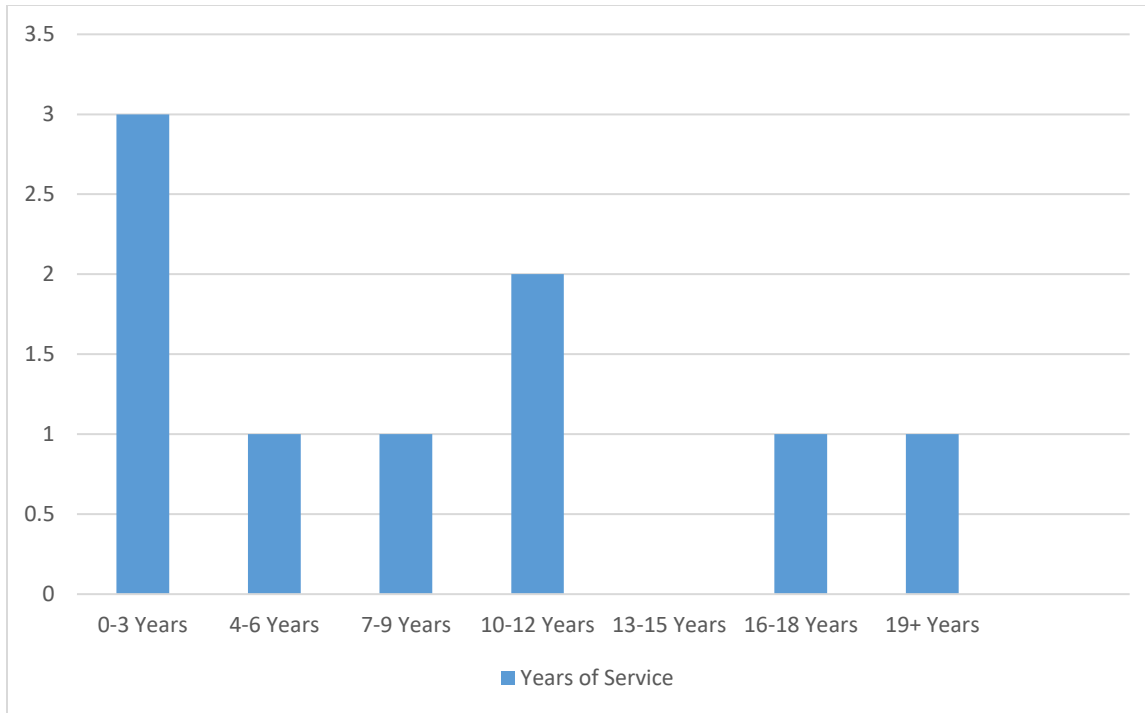
Suspect Information

Average age of the known suspects involved in the ten (10) pursuits was thirty (30) years old. The oldest was forty-two (42) and the youngest fifteen (15). Five (5) of the suspects were male drivers; while one (1) of the suspects was female. Four (4) of the other suspects were unknown. Two (2) of the suspects were under the influence of drugs or alcohol. It is likely, but unknown if any of the other suspects were under the influence of drugs/alcohol or drugs/alcohol were involved at the time of the pursuit.

Officer's Information

In 2022, the average age of officers involved in a pursuit was 32.88 years old; while the average age of Hudson Police Sworn Officers is 33.72 years old.

The average years of experience for the Hudson Police Department is 9.16 years; while the average years of service for officers involved in pursuits was 8.7 years.



Traffic/Weather Conditions:

During four (4) out of the nine (9) pursuits in 2022, the traffic in Hudson was light. Five (5) of the pursuits had moderate traffic. The weather was clear and the roads were dry in seven (7) out of nine (9) of the pursuits, and two (2) of the pursuits had rain with wet, slick roads.

Training Issues Identified

There was one training issue identified during the nine (9) pursuits. In one pursuit, the officer was given additional training in insuring he notified Dispatch he was in pursuit and calling it over the radio.

The Supervisors and Officers involved in 2022 pursuits did very well; all officers remained calm and levelheaded during the pursuits.

I have conducted an annual analysis of pursuit incidents, and the Hudson Police Policies. Based upon my review, I did not identify any areas of the Hudson Pursuit Policy which needs to be modified, except with regard to the report. No other changes are recommended.

Summary

The highlights of this analysis are as follows:

- 9 Pursuits in 2022

- 0 suspects injured during a pursuit
- 0 officers and civilians injured
- Average age of suspects: 30 years old
- Average age of Officers involved in Pursuits: 32.88 years old
- Average age of the Hudson Police Department: 33.72 years old
- Average Years of Service for the Hudson Police Department: 9.16 years
- Average Years of Service for officers involved in a Pursuit: 8.7 years