

# **IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "SPA" – Service, Product, or Activity

# INTRODUCTION



This is the Agency Performance Report completed by the Iowa Department of Public Safety for state fiscal year 2020 (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020). The report satisfies one of the requirements established in the Iowa Accountable Government Act, Iowa Code Chapter 8E.

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# **AGENCY OVERVIEW**

The Iowa Department of Public Safety is a department within the executive branch of Iowa State Government. It was established in 1939, when Iowa Code Chapter 80 was adopted.

The Department has six divisions:

- Administrative Services,
- Criminal Investigation,
- State Fire Marshal,
- Intelligence & Fusion Center,
- Narcotics Enforcement, and
- Iowa State Patrol,

and the Office of the Commissioner, which includes the Commissioner, the Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, the Department's Policy Advisor, General Counsel, the Commissioner's Executive Secretary, and five bureaus:

- Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau,
- Interoperable Communications Bureau,
- Professional Development Bureau,
- Professional Standards Bureau, and
- Strategic Communications Bureau

**Vision**: lowa will continue to be a safe and secure place to live, work, and play.

**Mission**: To serve the people of lowa by providing public safety services with leadership, integrity and professionalism.

### Guiding Principles and Core Values:

- Courtesy
- Service
- Protection
- Integrity
- Professionalism

# Core Functions and Key Services, Products and Activities:

Enforcement and Investigation – Activities traditionally associated with law enforcement, such as patrolling the State's highways, investigating major crimes, and gaming and narcotics enforcement.

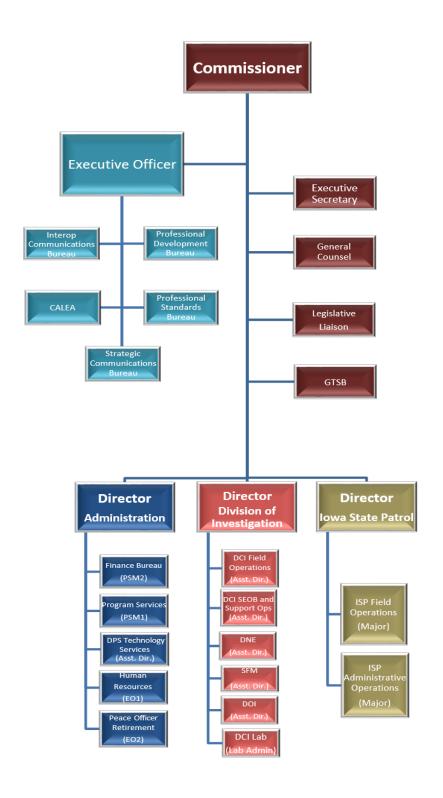
Regulation and Compliance – "Regulatory" activities, such as fire prevention inspections, code enforcement, and licensing activities.

Research, Analysis and Information Management – Criminal intelligence, criminal history records, uniform crime reporting, public information activities, management of the Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS), the Iowa Sex Offender Registry, and the Iowa Missing Persons Information Clearinghouse.

Education and Training – Education and training is provided by all DPS divisions; examples include: education and awareness training provided by the Iowa State Patrol and the Division of Narcotics Enforcement for citizens and other local law enforcement; the Fire Service Training Bureau, and the Volunteer Fire Fighter Training and Equipment Fund to support local firefighters; the Office to Combat Human Trafficking

Resource Management – Internal management of the Department's resources as well as some specialized services for external customers, such as administration of the Public Safety Peace Officers' Retirement, Accident and Disability System, and the Iowa On Line Warrants and Articles (I.O.W.A.) System.

# TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



# **KEY STRATEGIC CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES**

#### RECRUITING

The lifeblood of any public service agency lies in the quality of its people. Law enforcement agencies across the nation are struggling to find high-character individuals with a heart for public service. Cultural perceptions, lagging benefits, and the inherent danger in our duties are deterring individuals from considering a career in law enforcement. Over the last 10 years, we have seen a 74% drop in applicant numbers. Additionally, nearly 50% of our sworn personnel are eligible to retire within the next 10 years. Our recruitment efforts continue to focus on adapting to the changing views held by younger generations on the value of dedication and leadership, and evolving notions of job satisfaction. We remain focused on applying new and innovative recruitment efforts to attract, hire and retain top-tier employees.

#### **WELLNESS**

Physical and mental wellness is the cornerstone of sustainable public safety service. Over the last few years, law enforcement suicides have outnumbered line of duty deaths for the first time since such data became available. We must provide unique care for our people so they are equipped to handle the enormous amount of work related stress they endure. The Department's Peer Support and Critical Incident Stress Management programs are designed to ensure our personnel not only thrive professionally, but personally. We must continue to broaden these services and our view of wellness to include family members as they too bear the stress and burdens faced by their loved ones in law enforcement.

### **EQUIPMENT & TRAINING**

The quality of our equipment and training bears directly upon the health and safety of our people and their ability to provide superior courtesy, service, and protection to all lowans. Equipment designed to protect the protectors must remain a priority. Additionally, the advancement of technology has transformed the manner in which crimes are committed and investigated. We must remain on the cutting edge of technology if we are to effectively pursue justice for those deserving of it. Our training must be well-balanced between providing critical officer-safety skills, superior investigative techniques, and the need to better understand the communities we serve.

### **SUPPORT**

It is important to lift up the brave men and women who sacrifice to serve and protect us. During these unsettling times, we've seen a significant increase in social unrest, in calls to defund law enforcement, and in efforts to undermine the health and safety of our officers. Support from our community and state leaders is more appreciated and critical than ever before. As we discharge our duties, we must always strive to uphold the honor and trust bestowed upon us. We must continue to earn the respect and confidence of our fellow lowans. As we prepare to rise up to meet unforeseen future challenges, it's gratifying to know the risks we take and professionalism we embody will be met with the appreciation, validation and support of our strongest allies.

# **Key Result**

Name: Traffic Fatality Rate

Description: Total lowa traffic fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled

Why are we doing this: Traffic crashes are the largest single source of fatalities of persons aged 15 to 24 in lowa. What we're doing to achieve results: The lowa State Patrol is enforcing speed limits, drunk driving laws, and seat belt use. The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau also emphasizes these three areas when contracting with local law enforcement agencies for enforcement projects, as well as coordinating concentrated enforcement efforts on

### Results

### Performance Measure:

Traffic fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled

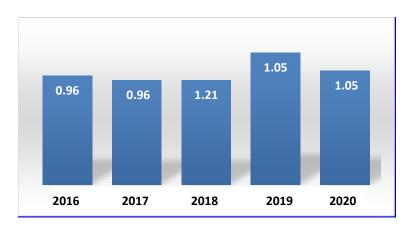
Performance Target: 1.08

What was Achieved: The traffic fatality rate in FY 2020 of 1.05 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled, missed the target rate by .03.

Data Source: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

selected highway corridors in the State.

### Total Traffic Fatalities Per 100 Million Vehicle Miles



### **Key Result**

Name: Seat Belt Usage

Description: Percentage of drivers and front seat passengers observed using their seat belts in annual survey

Why are we doing this: Seat belt is very effective in protecting occupants of vehicles involved in crashes from death or serious injury.

What we're doing to achieve results: Seat belt enforcement efforts by the lowa State Patrol and by local law enforcement agencies funded by and/or coordinating with the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau are aimed at increasing seat belt use by drivers and passengers in vehicles on lowa roads.

### Results

### Performance Measure:

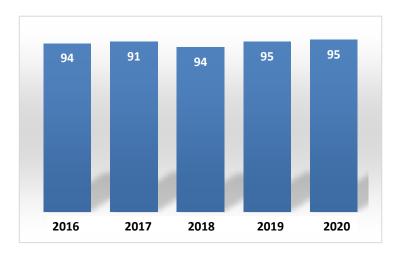
Percent of drivers and front seat passengers using seat belts

Performance Target: 95%

What was Achieved: In FY 2020, lowa maintained an average of 95% usage of seat belts.

**Data Source**: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau Seat Belt Usage Survey

# Percent of lowa drivers and front seat passengers using seat belts



# **Key Result**

Name: Index of Reported Violent Crime Offenses

**Description**: Number of reported violent index offenses (murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault) reported to the lowa Department of Public Safety by local law enforcement agencies per 100,000 estimated populations in lowa.

Why are we doing this: Rates of reported violence are a frequent indicator of public safety. Iowa's historically low rate of reported violent index crime is a significant contributor to Iowa scoring well on various indices of "livability" in comparison to other states.

What we're doing to achieve results: The Division of Criminal Investigation provides investigative assistance and expertise to local law enforcement agencies as requested for major criminal investigations. The Division of Criminal Investigation Criminalistics Laboratory provides forensic analysis to assist in the investigation and prosecution of major criminal offenses.

### Results

#### Performance Measure:

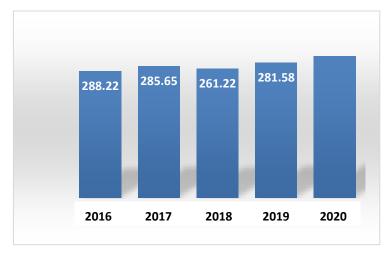
Rate per 100,000 estimated populations of violent criminal index offenses reported to law enforcement in lowa.

Performance Target: 270.0

What was Achieved: The average rate of reported violent crime has been 268.2 per 100,000 population. Since 2013, the rate has been trending up. Data for 2020 is not currently available.

Data Source: Department of Public Safety

### Violent Crime Rate per 100,000 Population



Name of Agency: Department of Public Safety

Agency Mission: To serve the people of Iowa by providing public safety services with leadership, integrity and professionalism.

Core Function: Enforcement and Investigation

	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure (Outcome)	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Traffic fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles	1.08	1.05	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
traveled (moving average - 3 years)			Data Source: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau
2. Rate of reported violent index crimes (per	270	Not	What Occurred: Actual data not available.
100,000 estimated population)		Available	Data Source: Department of Public Safety

Service, Product or Activity: Traffic Enforcement, Investigation and Interdiction

	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of lowa drivers and front seat	95%	95%	What Occurred: The target was met.
passengers using seat belts (annual DOT survey)			Data Source: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau
2. Rate of alcohol-related fatalities per 100 million	0.30	0.26	What Occurred: The target was not met.
vehicle miles traveled			Data Source: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau
3. Rate of serious injury crashes per 100 million	3.60	4.05	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
vehicle miles traveled			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol
4. Number of motorists assisted	15,000	15,108	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol
5. Number of ISP Narcotics Arrests	1,200	204	What Occurred: The target was not met.
			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol
6. Number of enforcement contacts	275,000	260,501	What Occurred: The target was not met.
			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol
7. Number of Traffic Safety Contracts	307	297	What Occurred: The target was not met.
Administered			Data Source: Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of arson and explosive cases where	35%	48%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
cause is determined			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division
Service, Product or Activity: Narcotics Enforcement	, Investigation		S
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Number of drug trafficking organizations	80	79	What Occurred: The target was not met.
disrupted and dismantled			Data Source: Division of Narcotics Enforcement
2. Number of identification, awareness and	20	54	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
education programs			Data Source: Division of Narcotics Enforcement
Service, Product or Activity: Criminal Investigation			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of internet crimes against children	90%	90%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
cases referred for prosecution			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation
2. Percent of new Cyber-tips vetted for	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
investigation within one business day			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation
3. Percent of National Crime Information Center	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
Missing Persons reports posted to Missing			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation
Persons Information Clearinghouse website			
within 4 hours			
Service, Product or Activity: Criminalistics Laborato	ry Services		
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Average Lab-wide turnaround time on cases	45	77	What Occurred: The target was not met.
closed (days)			Data Source: DCI Criminalistics Laboratory
2. Percent of applicable ASCLD/LAB (laboratory	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
accreditation) criteria met in yearly inspections			Data Source: DCI Criminalistics Laboratory

3. Percent of criminalists successfully completing	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
proficiency testing in all analytical areas in which			Data Source: DCI Criminalistics Laboratory
the lab conducts casework and for which			
approved proficiency samples are available			
4. Percent of criminalists successfully	90%	80%	What Occurred: The target was not met.
completing at least one discipline specific			Data Source: DCI Criminalistics Laboratory
training event annually (when available) to			
maintain expert status			

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Core Function: Regulation and Compliance					
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure (Outcome)	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Fire death rate in inspected facilities (per	0	0	What Occurred: The target was achieved.		
100,000 occupants)			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division		
Service, Product or Activity: Regulate the Private In	vestigative, Pri	vate Security, a	nd Bail Enforcement Industries		
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Number of private security, private	3,250	3,504	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.		
investigative, and bail enforcement employee ID			Data Source: Program Services Bureau,		
cards issued per fiscal year			Administrative Services Division		
Service, Product or Activity: Plan Reviews for Comp	liance with Sta	te Fire and Bu	ilding Codes		
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Median turnaround time (expressed in	55	30	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.		
calendar days) of plans after complete			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division		
submission					
2. Percent of plan reviews completed within 60	100%	86%	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
calendar days of complete submission			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division		
Service, Product or Activity: Fire Safety Inspections					
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Percent of health care facility inspection	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.		
reports returned to facilities within ten calendar			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division		
days					
2. Percent of required school and college fire	65%	81%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.		
inspections completed biennially			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division		

Service, Product or Activity: Electrical Licensing and Electrical Inspections			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of electrical licenses issued within 10	95%	100%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
working days of receipt of completed application			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division
and fee			
2. Percent of electrical installations inspected	95%	95%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
within 3 working days of receipt of request for			Data Source: Fire Marshal Division
inspection			
Service, Product or Activity: Gaming and Lottery Ba	ackground Inve	estigations	
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of low level background investigations	90%	82%	What Occurred: The target was not met.
(Class C) completed within 75 days of submission			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation
2. Percent of high level background	90%	53%	What Occurred: The target was not met.
investigations (Class A) completed within 120			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation
calendar days of submission			

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Core Function: Research, Analysis and Information	Management				
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure (Outcome)	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Percent of requests for public information that	90%	37%	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
are processed within 1 working day			Data Source: Commissioner's Office		
Service, Product or Activity: Intelligence Informatio	n, Collection ar	nd Disseminati	on		
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Number of officers completing the DPS	40	0	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
Criminal Intelligence Course which is required for			Data Source: Division of Intelligence & Fusion		
LEIN Membership			Center		
2. Requests for intelligence information fulfilled	12,000	16,079	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.		
			Data Source: Division of Intelligence & Fusion		
			Center		
3. Number of intelligence briefings for high level	18	15	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
executives			Data Source: Division of Intelligence & Fusion		
			Center		
Service, Product or Activity: Collect, Analyze and Report Uniform Crime Data					
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Percent of lowa population in jurisdictions	96%	96%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.		
reporting U.C.R. data			Data Source: Program Services Bureau,		
			Administrative Services Division		

Service, Product or Activity: Provide Vital Information to Non-Law Enforcement Customers				
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Percent of A.M.B.E.R. Alert broadcasts	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
completed within 60 minutes of receipt required			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol Communications	
information				
2. Percent of non-law enforcement requests for	90%	95%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.	
criminal history information processed within 2			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation	
working days				
Service, Product or Activity: Records and Identificat	ion – Establish	and Maintain	Criminal Histories and Fingerprint Databases	
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Percent of fingerprints entered within 2	90%	100%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.	
working days of receipt in the identification			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation	
section				
Service, Product or Activity: Provide Statewide Law			ns Services	
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Percent of radio network availability statewide	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol Communications	
Service, Product or Activity: Sex Offender Registry -	Maintain Accu	ırate Records c	of Sex Offenders who are Required to Register	
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Percent of records validated within three	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
months of initial entry			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation	
2. Percent of existing records re-validated within	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
12 months of previous validation			Source: Division of Criminal Investigation	
3. Percent of total lowa sex offender registrants	2%	1%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.	
whose whereabouts are unknown			Data Source: Division of Criminal Investigation	

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Core Function: Education and Training					
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure (Outcome)	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Percent of personnel receiving annual ethics	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.		
training			Data Source: Professional Development Bureau		
2. Percent of managers receiving management	100%	93%	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
development and/or leadership training			Data Source: Professional Development Bureau		
3. Number of specialized law enforcement	100%	78%	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
training sessions provided annually			Data Source: Professional Development Bureau		
Service, Product or Activity: Provide Professional Fi	re Service Certi	fication Progra	ım		
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Number of "Fire Fighter I" and "Fire Fighter II"	1,500	583	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
students pursuing the requirements for			Data Source: Fire Service Training Bureau, State		
certification			Fire Marshal		
Service, Product or Activity: National Fire Incident F	Reporting Syste	em			
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Percentage of fire departments reporting	90%	58%	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
			Data Source: Fire Service Training Bureau, State		
			Fire Marshal		
Service, Product or Activity: Provide Safety Education	on Programs to	Students and	Members of the Public		
	Performance	Performance			
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis		
1. Number of educational programs provided	4,500	2,227	What Occurred: The target was not met.		
related to traffic safety and public safety			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol		

Service, Product or Activity: Intelligence Training			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of Fusion center staff receiving annual	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
privacy training			Data Source: Division of Intelligence & Fusion
			Center

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Core Function: Resource Management				
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure (Outcome)	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Number of audit exceptions contained in	0	0	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
annual audit report			Data Source: Finance Bureau, Administrative	
			Services Division	
2. Percent of time IOWA System switch is	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
available			Data Source: Technology Services Bureau,	
			Administrative Services Division	
Service, Product or Activity: CALEA Accreditation				
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Percent of Commission on Accreditation for	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) standards			Data Source: Professional Development Bureau	
met for accreditation				
Service, Product or Activity: Pension Services				
	Performance	Performance		
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis	
1. Pension Services: Number of audit exceptions	0	0	What Occurred: The target was achieved.	
contained in annual audit report)			Data Source: Peace Officer Retirement,	
			Administrative Services Division	

Service, Product or Activity: Fleet and Supply			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Average fleet turn-in mileage	125,000	127,000	What Occurred: The target was not met.
			Data Source: Iowa State Patrol
Service, Product or Activity: Provide Training Services to DPS Personnel			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of officers receiving mandatory law	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
enforcement training each calendar year			Data Source: Professional Development Bureau
2. Percent of DPS IOWA System users	100%	100%	What Occurred: The target was achieved.
completing required IOWA/NCIC certification			Data Source: Technology Services Bureau,
testing within required time frames			Administrative Services Division
Service, Product or Activity: Provide Statewide Law Enforcement Computer Services			
	Performance	Performance	
Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Performance Comments & Analysis
1. Percent of agencies audited as required by the	33%	40%	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
FBI			Data Source: Technology Services Bureau,
			Administrative Services Division
2. IOWA system messages transmitted to/from	69,000,000	104,231,467	What Occurred: The target was exceeded.
law enforcement agency/officer annually			Data Source: Technology Services Bureau,
			Administrative Services Division