

LED FY26 REPORT

Includes available data from July 2025 – June 2026



VIRGINIA DMV LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

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Message from the Chief

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles Law Enforcement Division occupies a unique place in Virginia public safety. Our responsibilities extend well beyond traditional law enforcement. We safeguard lives, protect the integrity of identities and credentials, investigate complex vehicle-related crimes, enforce laws governing Virginia's transportation system, and support the legitimate businesses and industry partners that help keep the Commonwealth moving.

This annual report reflects the breadth of that mission and, more importantly, the commitment of the people who carry it forward.

Throughout the past year, our personnel continued to confront evolving threats involving vehicle theft, title and identity fraud, fraudulent credentials, and other crimes affecting DMV programs and the motoring public. We strengthened commercial vehicle enforcement, supported weigh station operations, improved the use of intelligence and analytics, and expanded collaboration with federal, state, and local partners. Through initiatives such as our statewide auto-theft strategy, we demonstrated that coordinated action produces results no single agency could achieve alone.

Our accomplishments are measured not only by investigations completed, stolen vehicles recovered, violations identified, or cases successfully resolved. They are also measured by crimes prevented, public resources protected, safer roads, stronger partnerships, and greater confidence in the integrity of DMV services. Every inspection, examination, investigation, enforcement action, and intelligence product contributes to a larger public-safety purpose.

This year also brought continued attention to how we perform our work. We invested in training, accreditation, policy development, technology, and more meaningful performance measures. We examined established practices, identified opportunities for improvement, and worked to ensure that our resources were directed toward activities producing genuine value for the Commonwealth. Activity alone is not success; our work must lead to measurable outcomes and advance the mission of the agency.



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Message from the Chief

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None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the professionalism and dedication of our sworn officers, analysts, civilian specialists, supervisors, and administrative personnel. Their expertise is matched by a willingness to adapt, collaborate, and accept responsibility for getting the work done correctly. I am proud of what they accomplish, often without public recognition, and grateful for the integrity and sound judgment they bring to their duties each day.

I also extend my appreciation to our partners throughout DMV, the Virginia State Police, local law-enforcement agencies, federal authorities, prosecutors, regulatory organizations, and members of the transportation industry. These relationships increase our reach, strengthen our capabilities, and enable us to better serve the people of Virginia.

As we look ahead, the Law Enforcement Division will continue to evolve with the threats and challenges facing the Commonwealth. We will remain focused on intelligence-led operations, effective partnerships, consistent professional standards, and responsible stewardship of public resources. We will build upon what works, address what needs improvement, and ensure that every member of the Division understands how their work contributes to DMV's mission of safeguarding lives, securing identities, serving the motoring public, and supporting industry partners.

It is an honor to lead this Division and the exceptional professionals who serve within it.

We lead the standard.

Joseph Hill
Chief of Law Enforcement
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles



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Leadership



Chief Joseph Hill



Captain Terry Albright



Captain Aaron Cubbage



Captain Kellie Powell



Captain Brad Berg



OSU Manager April Rogers



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DMV Mission - Core Values

DMV operates upon five fundamental core values: Trustworthiness – Respect – Accountability — Integrity – Teamwork (TRAIT)

- **Trustworthiness:** Inspiring the confidence of others through our reliability, dependability and honesty
- **Respect:** Creating an inclusive workplace and recognizing and appreciating the value and importance of other individuals and the agency
- **Accountability:** Taking ownership for our actions and decisions
- **Integrity:** Always doing the right thing
- **Teamwork:** Working together to achieve common goals and understanding what belonging feels like for your team.



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Special Events

DMV Agents Participate in Law Enforcement National Night Out

Special Agent Will Fugate in cooperation with Abington PD

Special Agent Erin Morrissey, in cooperation with York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office.



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Special Events

DMV Agents Participate in Law Community Events

Christmas Parade, City of Richmond

SSA Eric Westrick, Guns and Hoses Hockey game, Norfolk

Lt. Thomas Weatherford, Antique Car Show, Covington



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Special Events

Auto Theft Investigation

SSA Wesley Simms and
ASAC Sadie Boone, in
cooperation with
Homeland Security
Investigations, and
Customs and Border
Protection, Norfolk Port
Operation



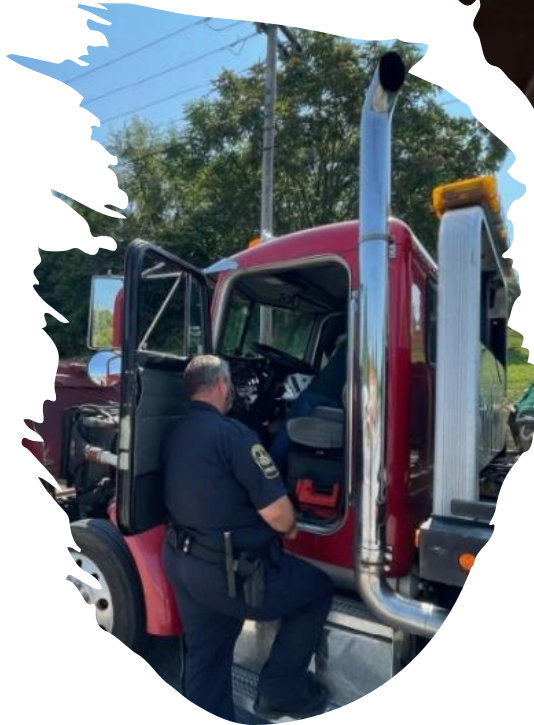
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Special Events

Commercial Carrier Events

Coal Calibrations details, conducted routinely in the counties of southwestern Virginia

Lt. Billy Johnson received the prestigious Charles M. Mills Award of Excellence from the International Fuel Tax Association (IFTA) during its annual conference in San Diego. This award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to improving IFTA enforcement and compliance while advancing the mission of member jurisdictions across North America.



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FY 2026 Statistics Summary

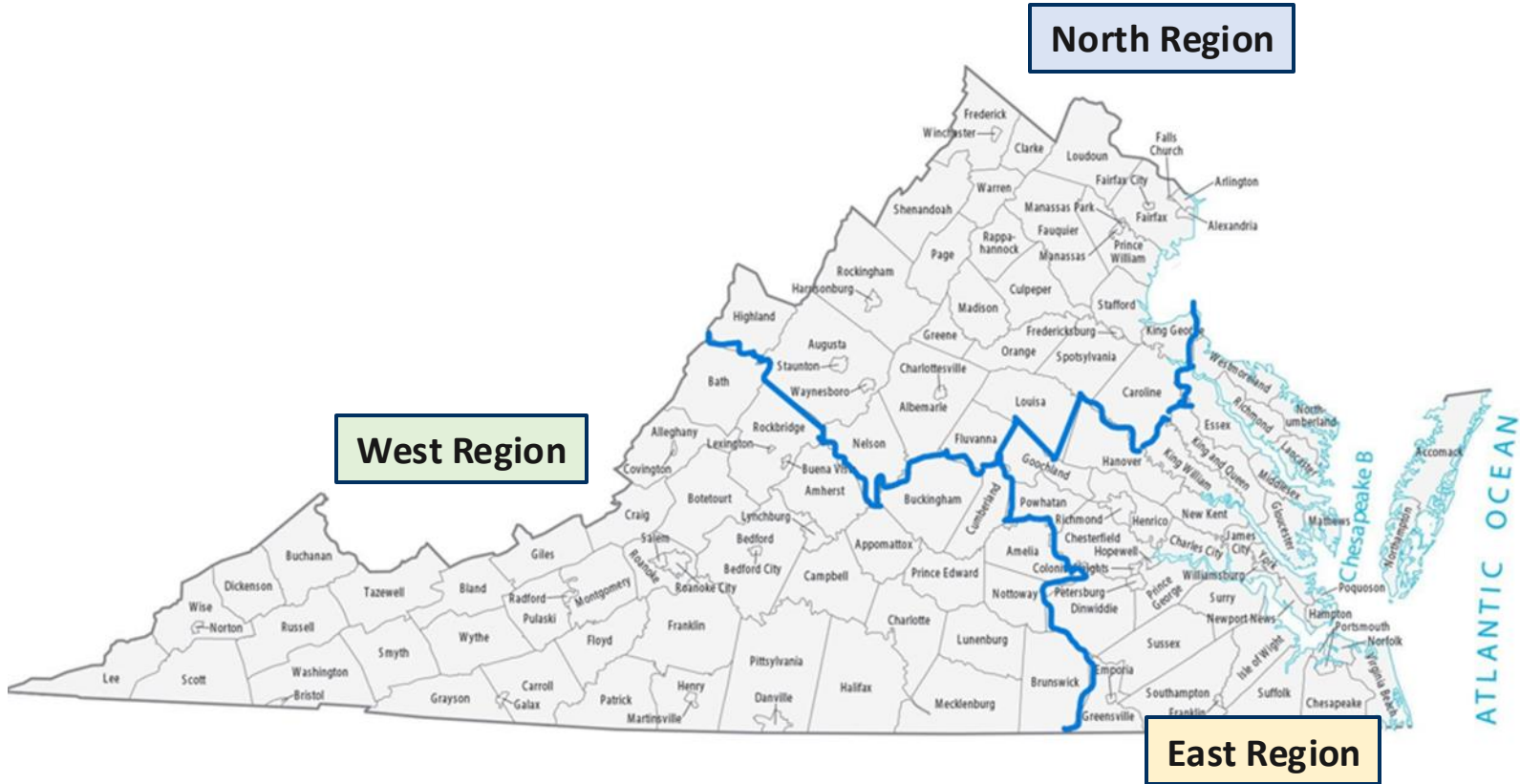
In fiscal year 2026, Virginia DMV Law Enforcement Division officers:

- Conducted 3424 investigations
 - Investigation requests are received from citizens, from within VA DMV's various offices / departments, and from other government agencies.
- Issued 95 warrants
- Made 40 arrests
- Issued 25224 Commercial Carrier-related Citations



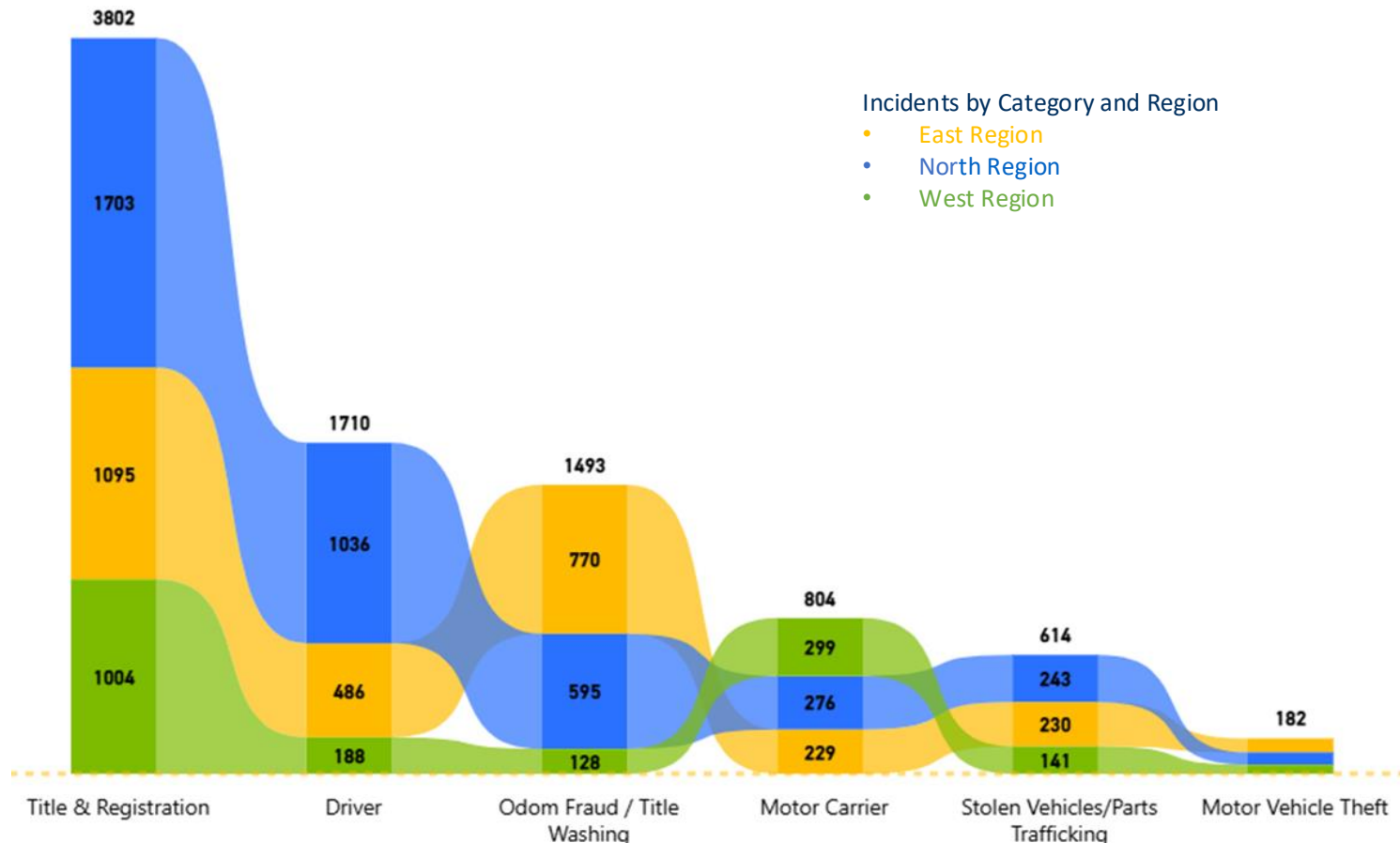
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Map of Virginia by current LED Region Assignments



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FY26 – Totals by Incident Category and Region

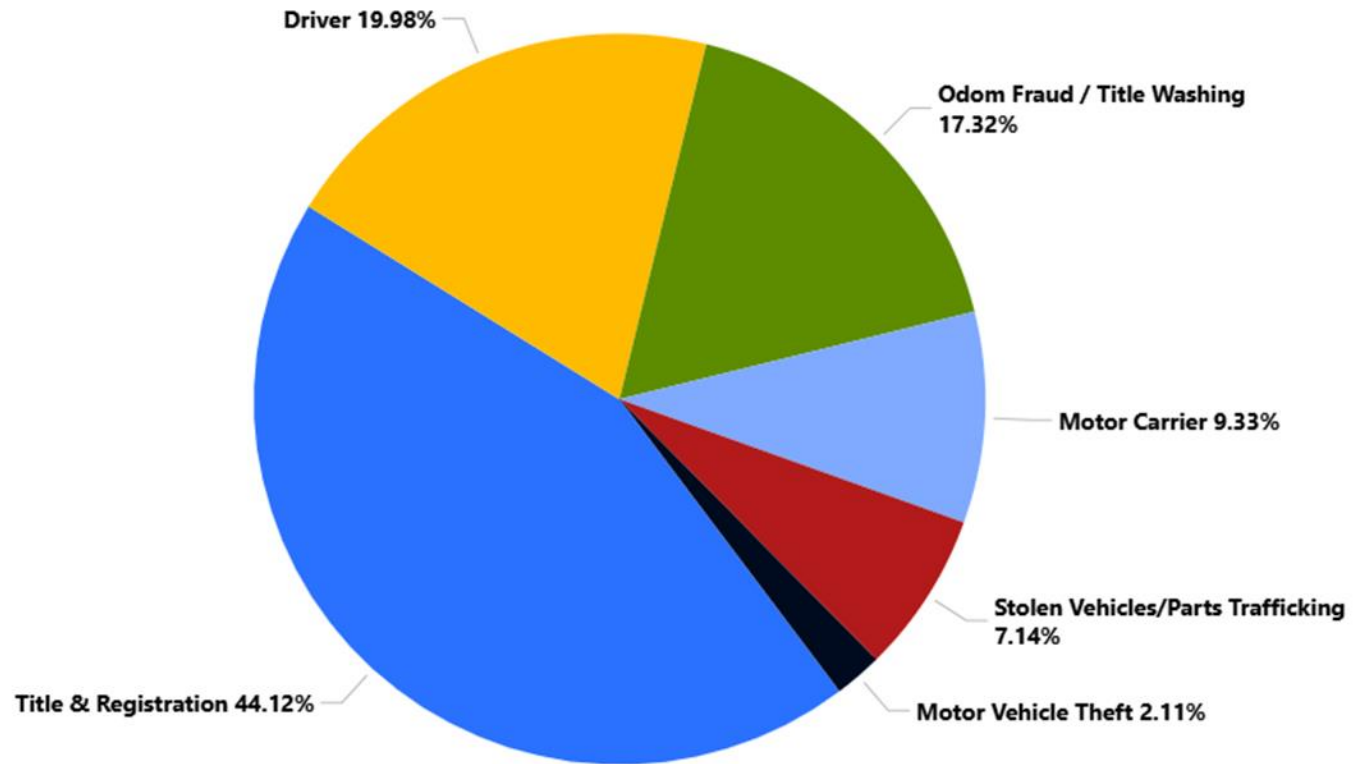


Note – Incidents may contain one or more categories noted above



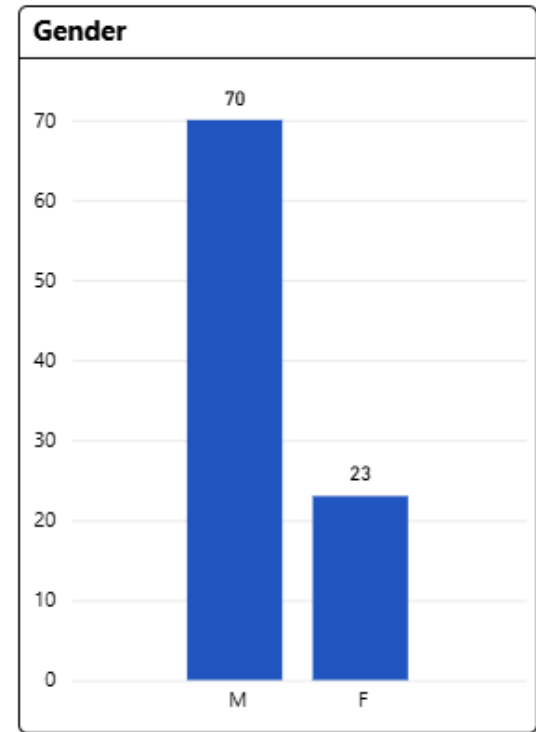
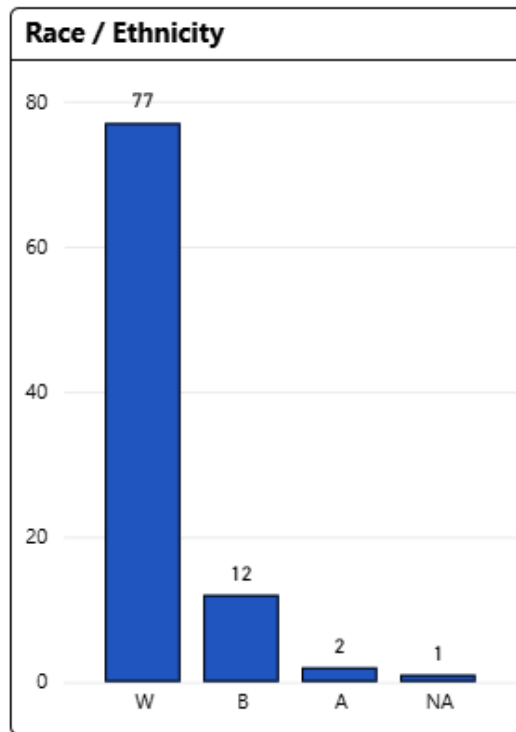
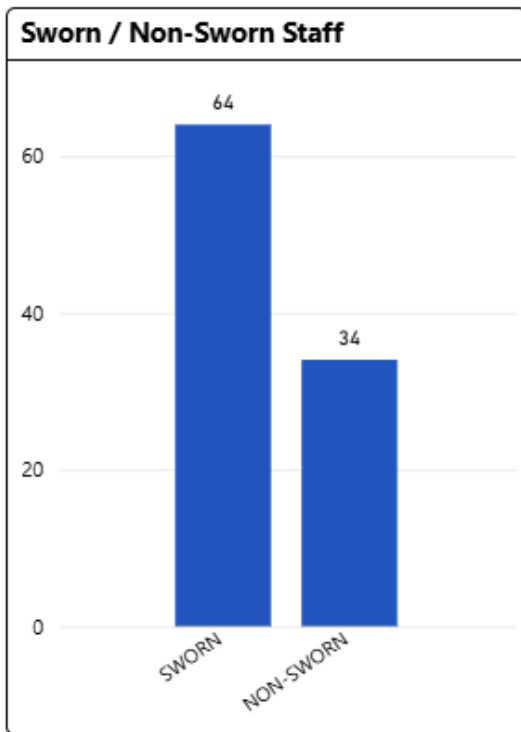
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FY26 – Totals by Incident Category



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Staff Demographics



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FY26 – Awards / Promotions

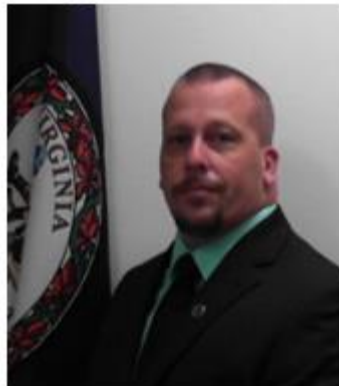
Promoted to Sergeant



Sgt. Andrew Hicks



Sgt. Chris Davis



Sgt. Coire O'Neal



Sgt. Karon Winston

Promoted to Sr. Special Agent



SSA Phillip Landen



SSA Wesley Simms



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FY26 – Retirees



Sergeant John Ohrnberger retired from service in January 2026 after 24+ years of service with Virginia DMV Law Enforcement



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