



The Kansas Highway Patrol

Reversing the trend of the disappearing trooper.

2015 Legislative Accomplishments



**KANSAS
HIGHWAY PATROL**

Pieces of the Trooper Shortage Puzzle



2015

Pay Plan

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	While in Academy
Recruit	\$37,980.80

Trooper	1-3 years in rank	4-5 years in rank
	\$42,702.40	\$45,905.80

Proposed Compensation Plan Trooper Classifications

with raises in a 3 year,
2 year alternating pattern

Master Trooper	1-3 years in rank	4-5 years in rank	6-8 years in rank	9-10 years in rank	11-13 years in rank	14-15 years in rank	16+ years in rank
	\$52,790.84	\$55,430.38	\$58,201.90	\$61,112.00	\$64,167.60	\$67,375.98	\$70,744.78

Lieutenant	Pay raise to LT through 3 years	4-5 years in rank	6-8 years in rank	9-10 years in rank	11-13 years in rank	14-15 years in rank	16+ years in rank
	\$74,282.02	\$76,139.07	\$78,042.54	\$79,993.61	\$81,993.45	\$84,043.28	\$86,144.37

Captain	Pay raise to CAPT through 3 years	4-5 years in rank	6-8 years in rank	9-10 years in rank	11+ years in rank
	\$90,451.58	\$92,712.87	\$95,030.69	\$97,406.46	\$99,841.62

Major	Pay raise to MAJ through 3 years	4-5 years in rank	6-8 years in rank	9-10 years in rank	11+ years in rank
	\$104,833.70	\$107,454.55	\$110,140.91	\$112,894.43	\$115,716.79



The estimated cost of implementing the proposed KHP compensation plan (to include Trooper and LEO classifications) is significantly less than the Patrol's original FY16-FY17 budget enhancement to fund an across the board 10% raise for all KHP law enforcement officers:

3,475,130 – Implementation of 10% Across the Board Raise

2,998,876 – Implementation of New KHP Compensation Plan

476,254 – Difference in Cost of Enhancement Packages



DROP

Pieces of the Trooper Shortage Puzzle



Deferred Retirement Option Plans (DROPs) are programs that typically allow members of a retirement system, once they become retirement eligible, to defer receipt of their retirement benefit for a specified time while they continue to work. At the end of this specified period of time, members withdraw from the DROP and terminate their employment. They receive a retirement benefit based on service credit earned at the time of entering the DROP, plus a lump-sum payment equal to the amount that was deposited into their DROP account during plan participation.

As a part of the plan to address a critical, increasing shortage of troopers, the Kansas Highway Patrol has identified a need to keep retirement eligible officers on the job longer. If the Agency can slow the rate of those leaving the force at retirement age, while it continues to address the recruitment of new officers, stabilization should occur.

Many law enforcement agencies across the nation are experiencing similar hiring and retention difficulties currently being experienced by the Patrol. Many states have adopted programs that address the need to keep experienced officers working longer. These programs are generally called **Deferred Retirement Option Plans (DROPs)**.

The Patrol is currently working with the Kansas State Trooper's Association to introduce and support a DROP program for the Kansas Police and Fireman's Retirement System (KP&F). This proposed DROP program will be cost positive for KP&F as additional funding would flow into the system.



Current Challenges

Violence is Increasing

Umpqua Community College Campus

Snyder Hall

School Violence



Civil Unrest - Ferguson Missouri



Terroristic Threats - San Bernadino

Kansas is not immune

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2014-A-01
NEWS RELEASE: February 13, 2014
FROM: The Kansas Highway Patrol
CONTACT: Lieutenant Joshua Kelleman (785) 296-6800

Officer Involved Shooting

On Friday, February 13, 2014 at approximately 5:57 p.m., **Kansas Highway Patrol troopers were assisting Edwardsville Police Department**, and other local authorities with the **pursuit of an armed robbery suspect**. The pursuit traveled across state lines, then back into Kansas, ending on Ruby Avenue, in Kansas City, Kansas (Wyandotte County). **At the Conclusion of the pursuit, the suspect was shot and killed by responding officers.**

As standard practice, and in accordance with Kansas Highway Patrol policy, the officer has been placed on Administrative Leave while this case is being investigated. The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) has been notified and is conducting the investigation in this case. Please route all future questions reference this incident through the KBI at 785-296-8200.

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2014-D-002
NEWS RELEASE: March 11, 2014
FROM: The Kansas Highway Patrol
CONTACT: Sergeant Pauline Ferguson (785) 296-7189

Officer Involved Shooting

On March 10, 2014 at approximately 8:40 p.m., **troopers assisted the Oberlin Police Department and Decatur County Sheriff's Office in locating an armed suspect** who was making threats of great bodily harm. At 9:05 p.m., units responded to a residence in Oberlin in an attempt to locate the suspect. Shortly after, **a trooper advised that shots had been fired and the suspect had been shot.**

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2014-D-003
NEWS RELEASE: April 24, 2014
FROM: The Kansas Highway Patrol
CONTACT: Technical Trooper Tod Hileman (785) 625-3518

Officer Involved Shooting

On April 23, 2014 at approximately 9:53 p.m., **a trooper assisted the Colby Police Department with a pursuit** that entered Sherman County. After several attempts to use stop sticks, the suspect vehicle stopped in the westbound ditch of I-70, at milepost 28. After the vehicle stopped, **a male suspect armed with a weapon was shot.** A female in the vehicle was arrested. The male suspect was transported to a local hospital with unknown injuries.

No officers were injured during this incident.

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2014-A-001
NEWS RELEASE: June 2, 2014
FROM: The Kansas Highway Patrol
CONTACT: Sergeant Pauline Ferguson (785) 296-7189

Officer Involved Shooting

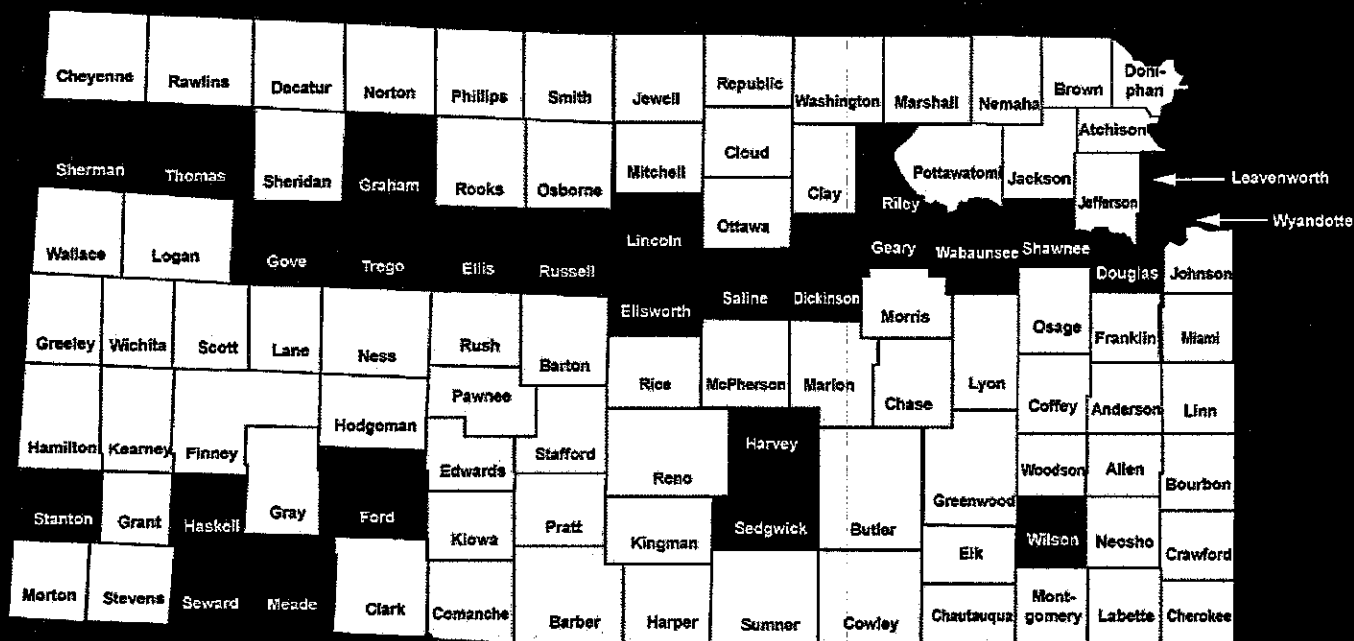
On Sunday, June 1, 2014 at approximately 5:57 p.m., **a Kansas Highway Patrol officer assisted the Montgomery County Sheriff's office at a rural residence with a subject who was reported to be armed.** Upon arriving at the residence, the KHP officer and Montgomery County deputies located the suspect, and **shots were fired, killing the suspect.**

No officers were injured during this incident.

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Current Challenges

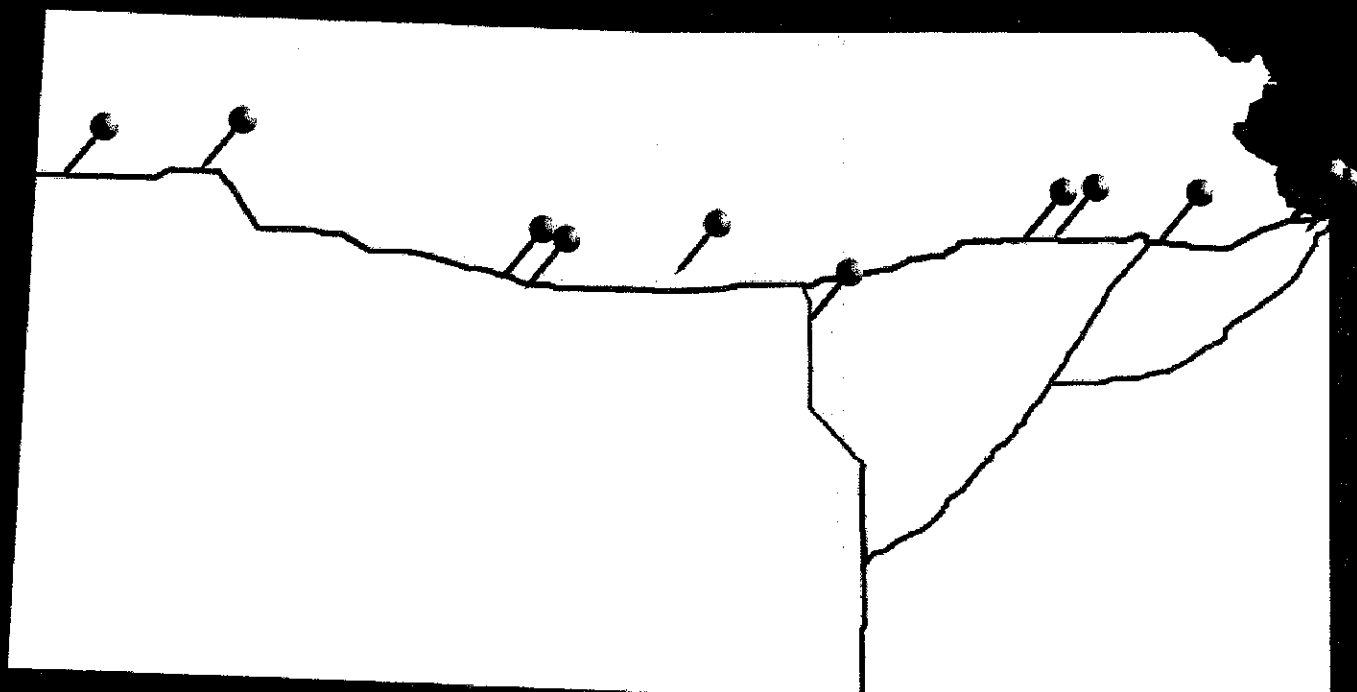
Drug Trafficking



*Minimum qualifying quantity: 1 lb. of cocaine, 1 oz. of crack, 1 gram of heroin, 1 lb. of marijuana, 1 lb. of meth, 100 dosage unit of LSD. Also includes criminal possession of a firearm.



Notable Seizures - Statewide



I-70 - Thomas County.....	45 pounds of high grade marijuana & 5 pounds of marijuana edibles
I-70 - Wabaunsee County.....	35.8 pounds of methamphetamine (ICE) and 2 ounces of cocaine
I-135 - Saline County.....	24 pounds of high grade marijuana & a Sig Sauer 9mm pistol
I-70 - Wabaunsee County.....	170 pounds of Mexican commercial grade marijuana
I-70 - Wyandotte County.....	286.5 pounds of Mexican commercial grade marijuana
City Street - Wyandotte County.....	94.7 pounds of methamphetamine (ICE)
I-70/Turnpike - Shawnee County.....	12 pounds of cocaine
I-70 - Ellis County.....	210 pounds of Mexican commercial grade marijuana
I-70 - Lincoln County.....	350 pounds of high grade marijuana
I-70 - Sherman County.....	462.6 pounds of high grade marijuana
I-70/Turnpike - Leavenworth County.....	100 pounds of high grade marijuana

Current Challenges

2015 Criminal Interdiction Seizures



2015 CRIMINAL INTERDICTION SEIZURES

DATE	TIME	HWY	COUNTY	ARRESTS	GUNS	MARIJUANA	MD EDIBLES	COCAINE	METHAMPHETAMINE	HEROIN
						POUNDS	OUNCES	POUNDS	POUNDS	GRAMS
1/6/2015	1748	I 70	Wabaunsee	1	1	2				
1/7/2015	1520	I 70	Thomas	1		50	80			
1/7/2015	1845	I 70	Wabaunsee	1		1				
1/8/2015	34	I 70	Wabaunsee	2				0.125	35.8	
1/8/2015	555	I 70	Trego	3		12.5				
1/9/2015	925	I 70	Thomas	1		5				
1/9/2015	1440	I 70	Ellis	1		5				
1/11/2015	1553	I 70	Thomas	1		3				
1/12/2015	1314	I 70	Thomas	1		36				
1/13/2015	511	I 70	Ellsworth	2		5				
1/13/2015	540	I 135	Saline	3	1	34				
1/14/2015	723	I 70	Wabaunsee	2	1					
1/15/2015	754	I 70	Trego	1		14.3				
1/16/2015	2130	I 70	Wabaunsee	2	1					
1/19/2015	1054	I 70	Sherman	3		5.3				
1/23/2015	1349	I 70	Trego	2		16				
1/23/2015	2142	U 400	Wilson	2	1	1.25				
1/24/2015	1228	I 70	Thomas	1		0.008			12.7	
1/24/2015	1941	I 70	Sherman	1		1.3				
1/25/2015	1942	I 70	Wabaunsee	1			192			
1/26/2015	922	I 70	Trego	1		29				
1/26/2015	1640	I 70	Sherman	2	1	4.2				
1/27/2015	1559	U 83	Haskell	2			64			
1/30/2015	1549	I 70	Ellis	1		6.5				
2/3/2015	447	I 70	Ellsworth	2		2				
2/3/2015	816	I 70	Ellsworth	3		3				
2/3/2015	1215	I 70	Thomas	2		3				
2/5/2015	1312	I 70	Trego	1		18.5				
2/5/2015	1730	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		17				
2/6/2015	818	I 70	Trego	2					10	
2/6/2015	950	I 70	Wabaunsee	1		1	1			
2/9/2015	1850	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		170				
2/10/2015	1150	I 70	Wabaunsee	1		2	8			
2/10/2015	2120	I 70	Wabaunsee	2	1	2				
2/11/2015	1339	I 70	Dickinson	1			27.2			
2/11/2015	1354	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		3				
2/12/2015	1043	I 70	Thomas	1		15				
2/12/2015	1154	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		0.004			15	
2/13/2015	1800	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		4				
2/15/2015	1033	I 70	Saline	1		3	16			
2/17/2015	1107	I 70	Ellis	1		4.6				
2/17/2015	2056	I 70	Russell	1	1	2				
2/18/2015	941	I 70	Thomas	2			96			
2/18/2015	1212	I 70	Trego	2		2.5				
2/19/2015	945	I 70	Ellsworth	2		2				
2/24/2015	1104	I 70	Trego	1		12				
2/24/2015	943	I 70	Russell	2		66				
2/28/2015	2328	I 70	Saline	2		2	8			
3/2/2015	1028	I 70	Sherman	1		2.25				
3/3/2015	950	I 70	Russell	1		7	1			
3/9/2015	6	U 40	Shawnee	1	3	2				
3/10/2015	1211	I 70	Wabaunsee	2		9				

3/10/2015	1328	170	Ellis	2	1	6.5				
3/12/2015	1051	170	Ellis	1		9				
3/13/2015	2004	170	Wabaunsee	2		2				
3/13/2015	1911	1135	Harvey	1		1.5	0.07			
3/13/2015	2256	170	Wabaunsee	1		4	16			
3/14/2015	1818	170	Geary	1			0.002		22	
3/17/2015	930	170	Trego	1		8.5				
3/19/2015	343	170	Ellsworth	2		10				
3/19/2015	1748	170	Thomas	1	1	11				
3/30/2015	1943	170	Wyandotte	2		286.5				
4/2/2015	1509	170	Wabaunsee	2		1.5	17.6			
4/4/2015	1747	135	Sedgwick	1	1	0.063				
4/4/2015	1856	U 160	Stanton	1		2.5				
4/8/2015	317	170	Saline	2		2				
4/8/2015	1617	170	Wabaunsee	4		2				
4/10/2015	42	170	Wabaunsee	1		4.6	16			
4/10/2015	257	170	Wabaunsee	1		24				
4/11/2015	956	170	Sherman	1	1					
4/12/2015	1202	170	Sherman	2		10.5				
4/14/2015	321	170	Lincoln	2		10				
4/17/2015	1020	170	Russell	3	1					
4/18/2015	738	170	Wabaunsee	2		21				
4/18/2015	1126	170	Thomas	2		17.2				
4/20/2015	1202	170	Trego	1	1	5				
4/21/2015	952	170	Trego	1		14	1			
4/27/2015	1125	170	Russell	2		10				
4/28/2015	815	City	Wyandotte	1					94.7	
4/29/2015	1757	170	Wabaunsee	2		2				
4/29/2015	1831	170	Wabaunsee	2		3.6	1			
4/29/2015	2050	170	Wabaunsee	2		5	8			
4/30/2015	1728	U 54	Meade	2	1	7	16			
5/1/2015	2024	170	Wabaunsee	3					10	
5/2/2015	1714	170	Ellsworth	1		3.2				
5/3/2015	2235	170	Ellsworth	2		1.8				
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5/9/2015	2136	170	Ellsworth	2	1	7.6				
5/11/2015	1120	170	Ellsworth	1		3	1			
5/14/2015	927	170	Trego	1		5				
5/14/2015	1102	170	Wabaunsee	1		74				
5/15/2015	920	170	Thomas	1		10				
5/18/2015	959	170	Thomas	1					1	
5/19/2015	828	170	Trego	3		48.5				
5/21/2015	1935	170	Gove	2		1			0.108	
5/31/2015	13	170	Sherman	1		5.2				
6/3/2015	2120	170	Wabaunsee	1		11				
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6/4/2015	917	170	Wabaunsee	2					1	
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6/10/2015	706	170	Lincoln	2		7				
6/13/2015	54	170	Geary	2		1				
6/13/2015	1904	170	Thomas	2		19				
6/14/2015	846	170	Sherman	2		1.5				
6/14/2015	1003	170	Trego	1		7	38			
6/14/2015	1222	170	Thomas	2		20				
6/16/2015	1304	170	Dickinson	1		1.5				
6/17/2015	745	170	Wabaunsee	1		2				
6/19/2015	851	170	Ellsworth	2		4.5				
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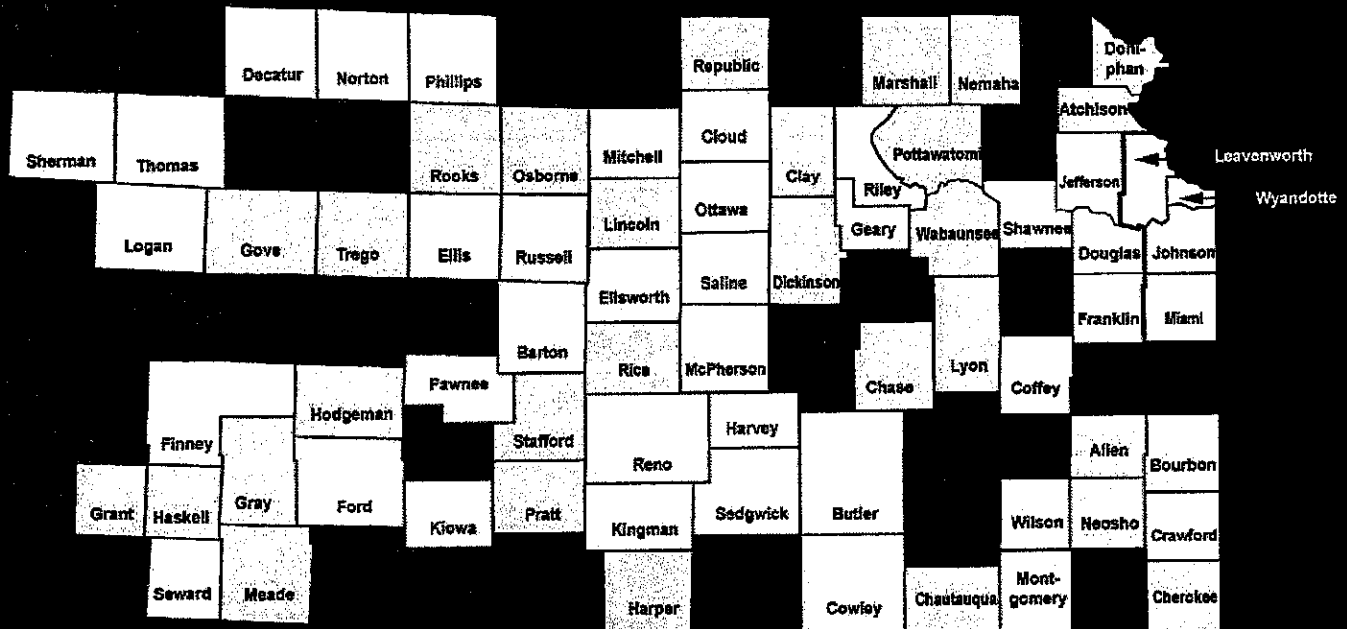
372 Arrests
37 Guns
3766 lbs Marijuana
960 oz Marijuana Edibles
61 lbs Cocaine
384 lbs Methamphetamine
6674 gm Heroin
28 gm Mushrooms



Current Challenges

Reduced Workforce

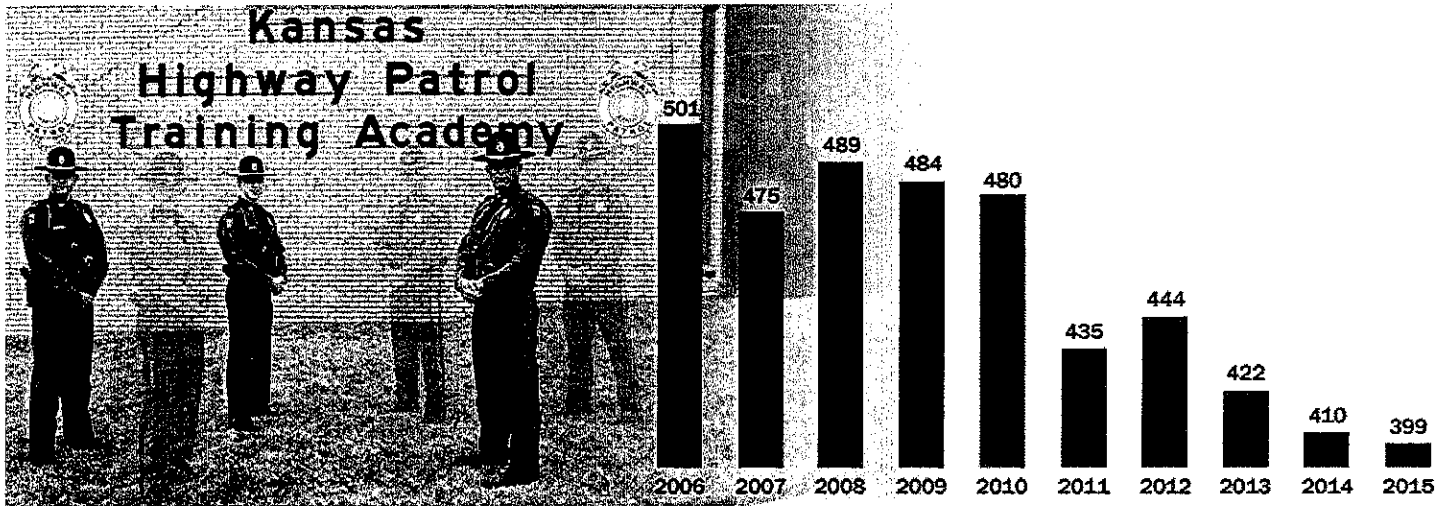
Low Staff Impacting Kansas



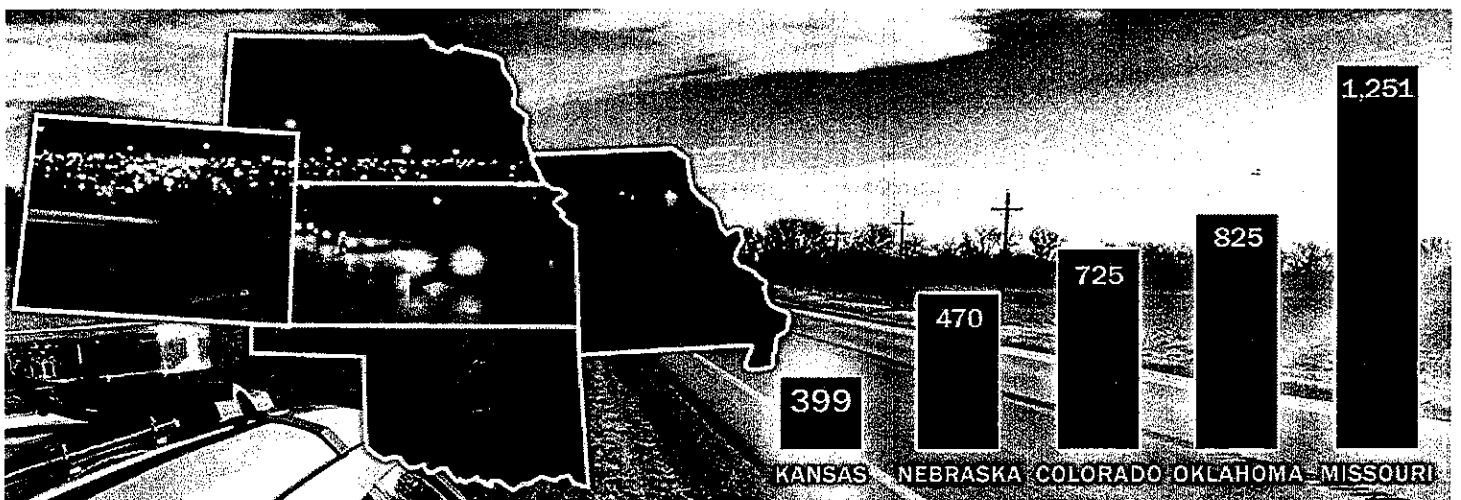
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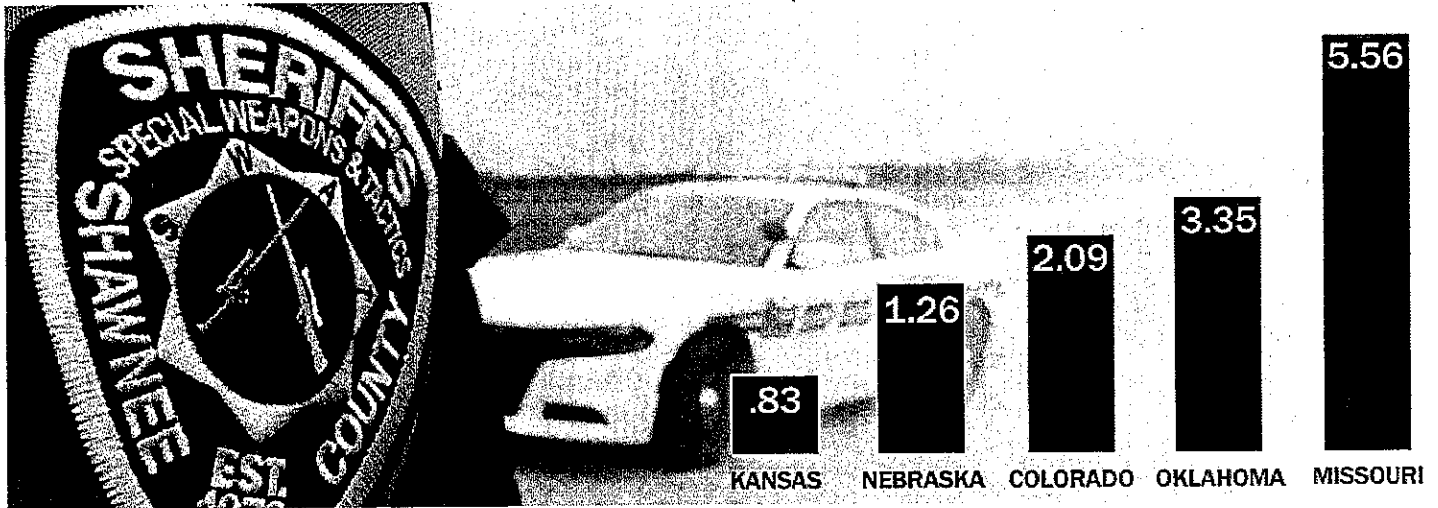
Number of Troopers by Year



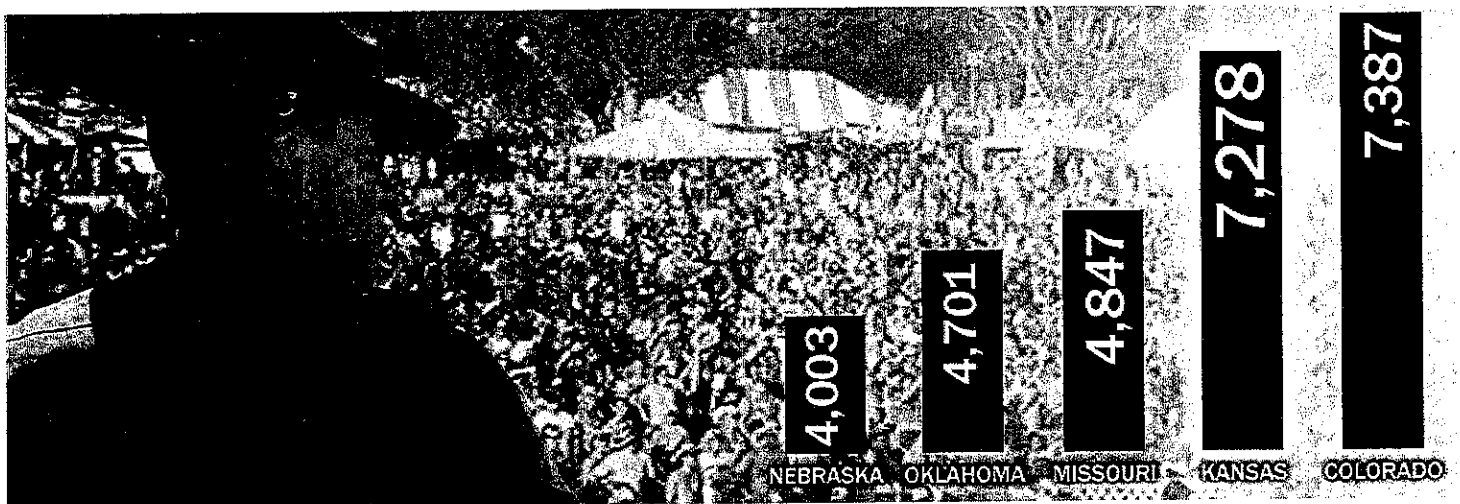
Number of Troopers per State



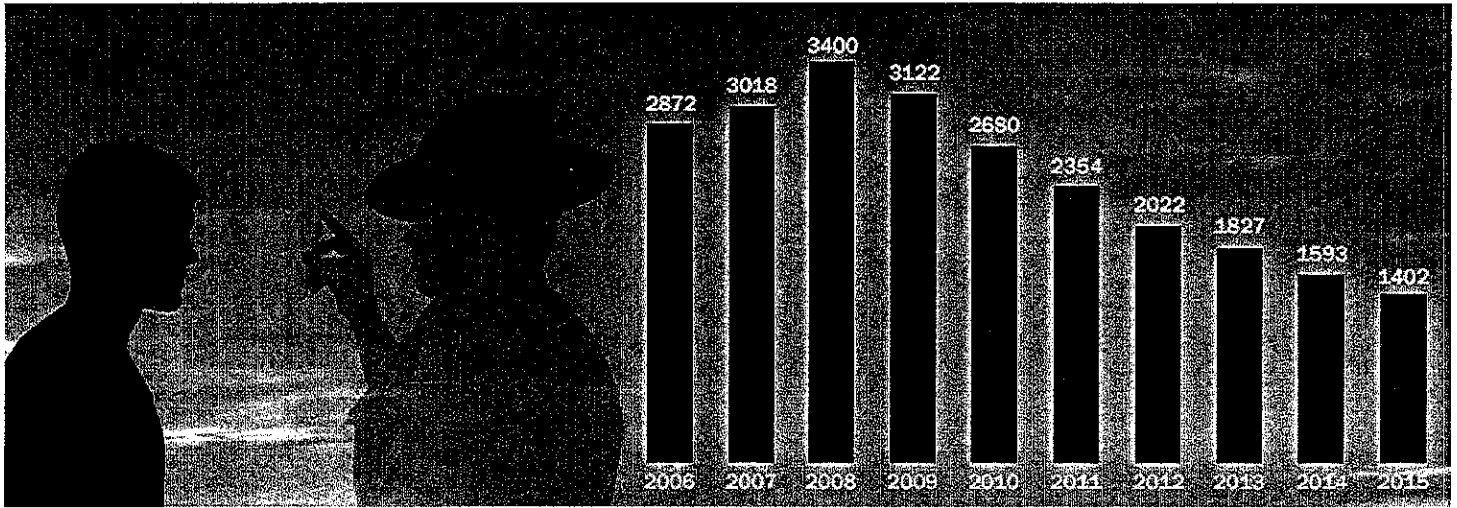
Troopers per Law Enforcement Agency Served



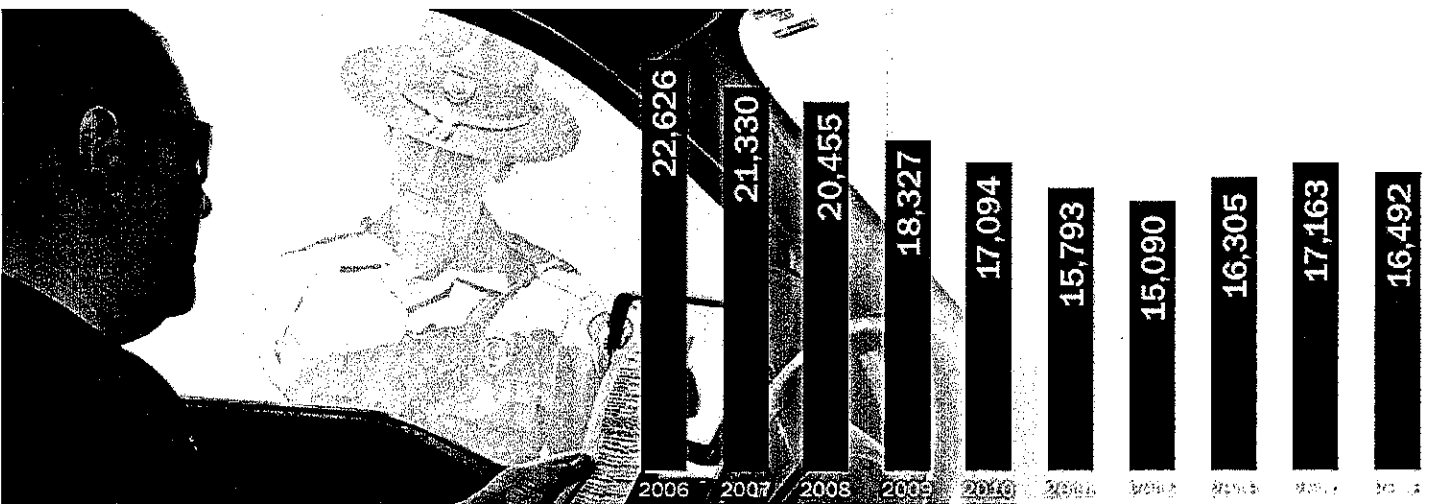
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DUI Arrests



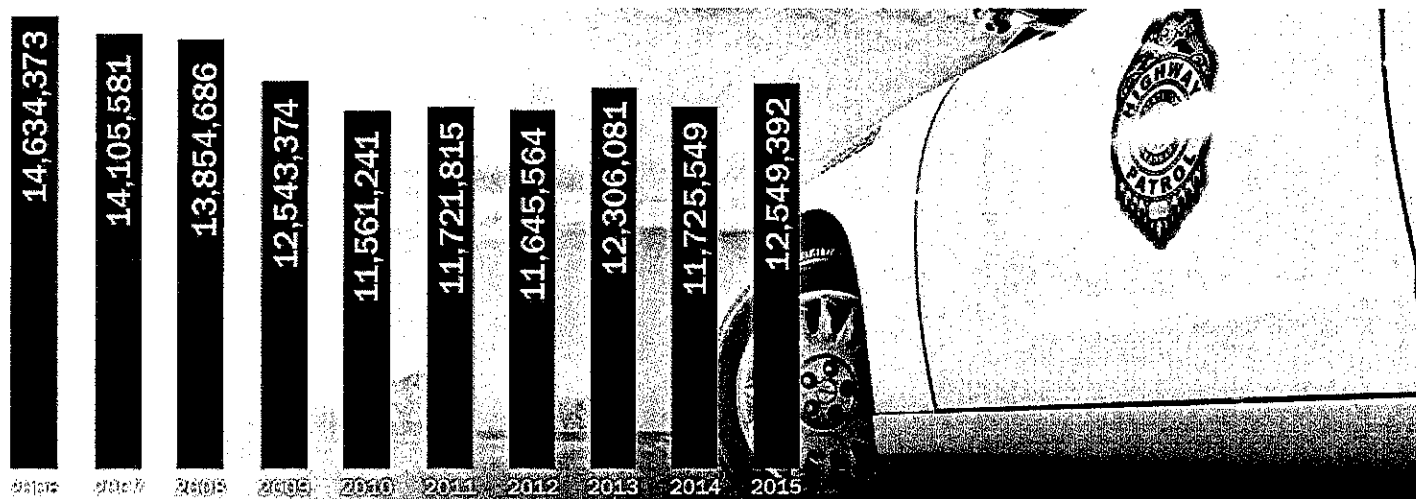
Moving Hazardous Violation Arrests



Speed Arrests



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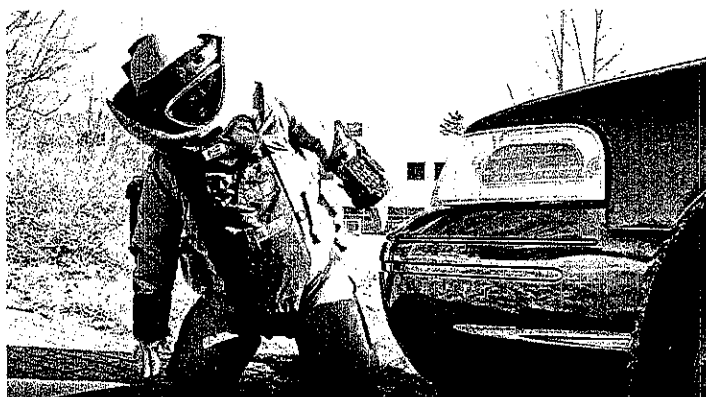


KHP Assistance to Local Law Enforcement

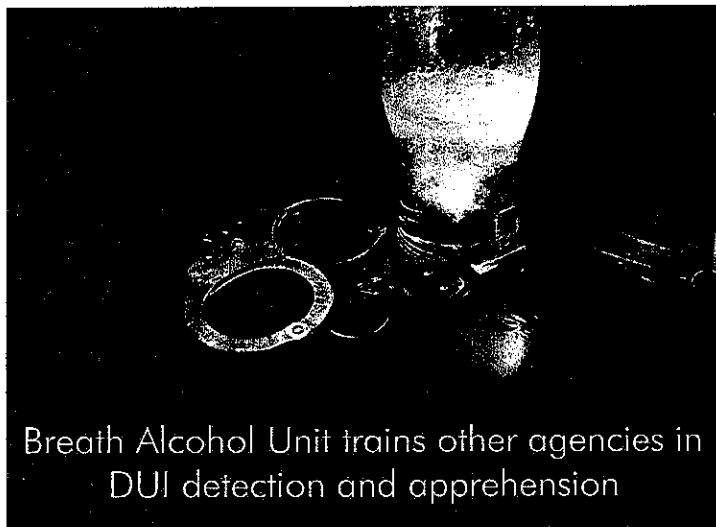
Beyond the Speeding Ticket



KHP is the only Kansas law enforcement agency with air assets



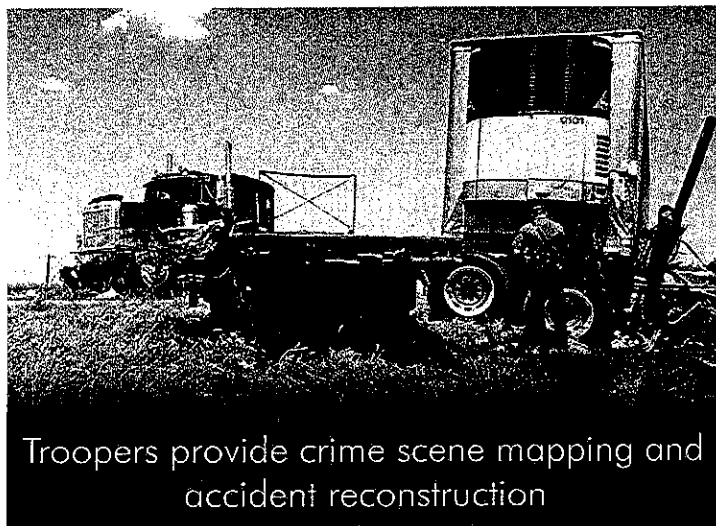
Provide bomb technicians, canines, and ordnance disposal for 75% of Kansas



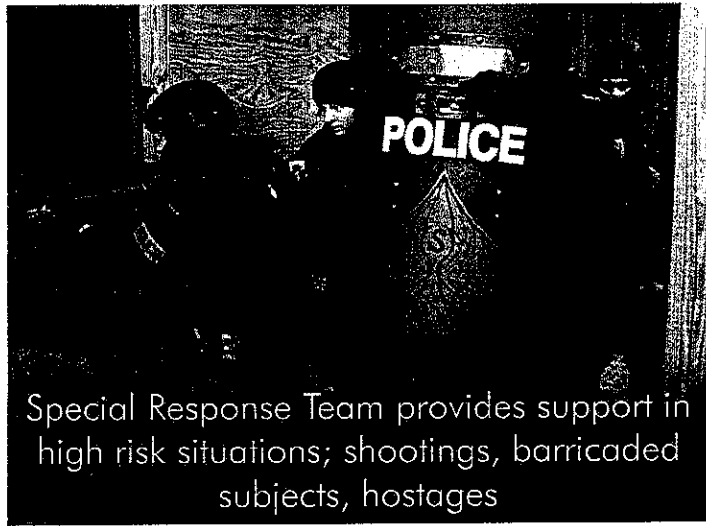
Breath Alcohol Unit trains other agencies in DUI detection and apprehension



Assists with auto theft/title laundering investigations



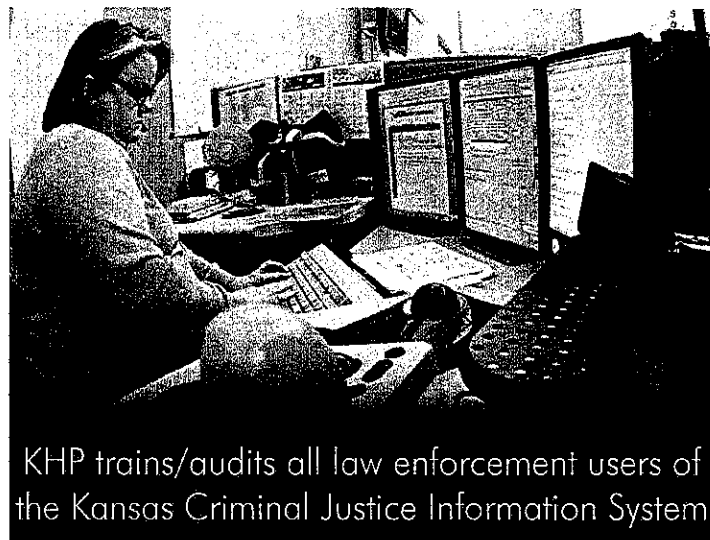
Troopers provide crime scene mapping and accident reconstruction



Special Response Team provides support in high risk situations; shootings, barricaded subjects, hostages



KHP participation in Joint Terrorism Task Force and DEA Task Force enhances homeland security



KHP trains/audits all law enforcement users of the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System



Provides PEER Team support and critical Incident debriefings



Provides automated reporting system for outside law enforcement agencies



Proposed Legislation

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to vehicle registration, fees; creating the Kansas highway patrol staffing and training fund; amending K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 8-145 and repealing the existing section.

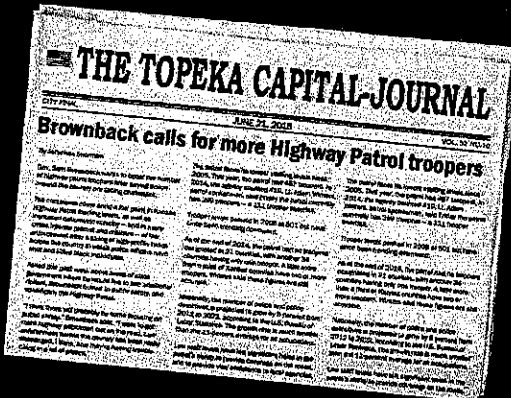
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

There is hereby created in the state treasury, the Kansas highway patrol staffing and training fund. Moneys credited to the Kansas highway patrol staffing and training fund shall be used by the highway patrol for increasing employment and retaining personnel at the highway patrol and for no other purpose. All expenditures from the Kansas highway patrol staffing and training fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the superintendent of the highway patrol.

In addition to any registration fee prescribed under article 1 of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, all applicants for vehicle registration shall pay at the time of registration a nonrefundable Kansas highway patrol staffing and training surcharge in the amount of \$2 for each vehicle being registered.

The KHP would be enabled to expand the workforce by 75 Troopers by the end of FY 2018 without requesting supplemental funding from the Legislature, and to continue funding annual Recruit classes of 15 in subsequent years.

Governor Shows His Support



Gov. Sam Brownback wants to boost the number of highway patrol troopers after saying police around the country are facing challenges.

With the Kansas Highway Patrol operating at its lowest staffing levels in a decade, Gov. Sam Brownback said he would like to increase the number of highway patrol troopers on the state's roads.



When the governor was asked last week what areas of state government should get increased funding, he specifically mentioned the highway patrol.

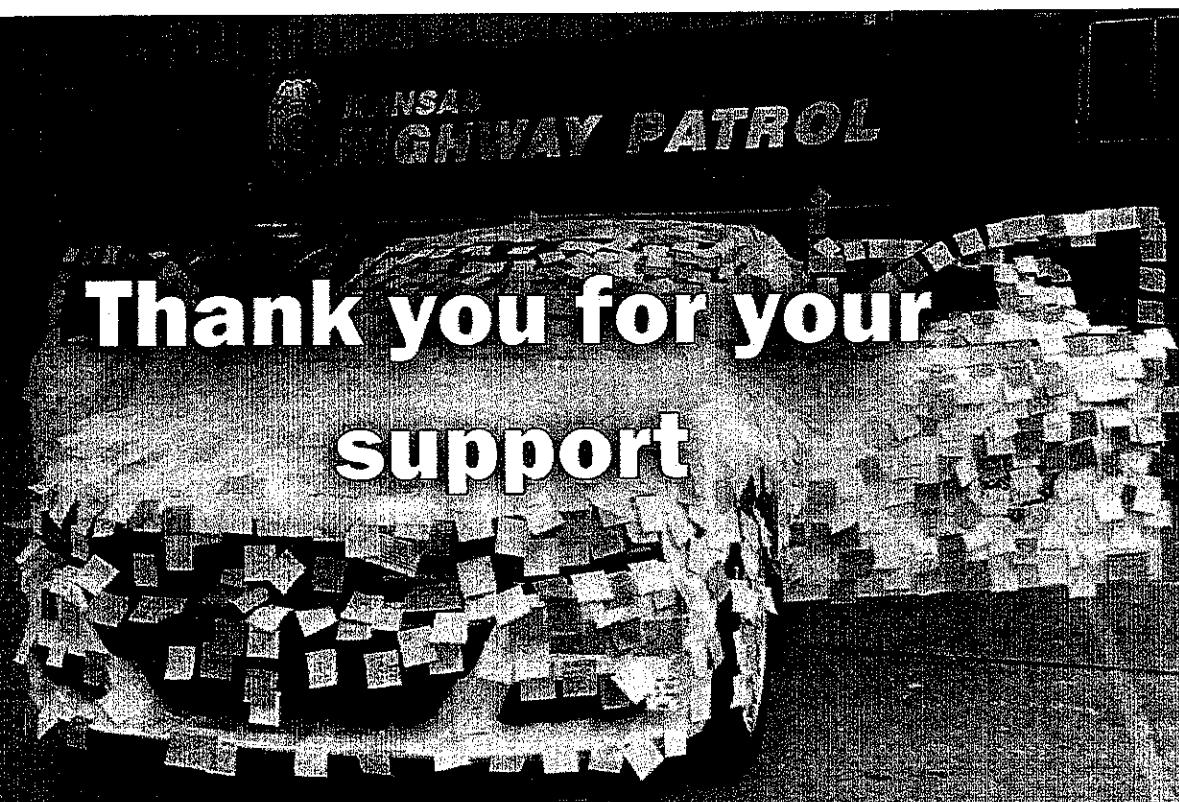


Public Support

The Kansas Highway Patrol booth at the 2015 Kansas State Fair was initially set up to promote the agency's goals of educating the public from car seats to Commercial Vehicles and to accomplish this year's theme, recruiting.

While recruiting was the focus, KHP personnel and others working the fair were surprised and grateful to a young lady who started a "positive post-it note patrol car" craze for public support of law enforcement. More than 2,400 notes were left on the patrol car during the two-week period.

A video commemorating the craze can be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dSrKXzsyge0>



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