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It is my pleasure to submit the 2005 Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) Firearms Annual Report.

The 2005 amendment to Act 66 created significant changes to Title 18, Chapter 61, Section 6109 relating to a license to carry a concealed firearm and Title 23, Chapter 61, relating to Protection From Abuse orders. As part of this Act, effective 2/8/06, the Pennsylvania License to Carry Concealed Weapons will no longer display the owner's social security number.

The PSP were tasked with establishing a 24 hour, toll-free number for out of state law enforcement to use to validate a person's PA License to Carry permit. In addition to the toll-free number, PSP were directed to revise and create numerous forms to accommodate changes to Titles 18 and 23. An individual with an active Protection From Abuse order that calls for the confiscation of firearms now has the option to relinquish their firearms to a third party for safekeeping, or to a licensed firearm dealer for safekeeping or sale of the firearms.

The PSP Firearms Division is responsible for running background checks on third party safekeeping individuals for the county sheriff's office to determine if the third party is a prohibited person or not. Background checks must also be completed for the owner of the firearms prior to returning the guns whenever handguns are involved.

In a continued effort to keep Pennsylvania firearm dealers informed, the Firearms Compliance Unit is now staffed to conduct on-site audits and training for Pennsylvania licensed firearm dealers upon request. Continued training is also provided to our staff so they are better able to answer questions and assist firearm dealers. As part of this training, employees are instructed on how to identify illegal activity by firearm dealers. This information is then reported to the Federal Department of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and Explosives for investigation.

In 2005, 91 wanted persons were apprehended while attempting to acquire firearms illegally through PICS. Since the inception of PICS, 782 have been apprehended in the same manner.

Every effort is made to provide the training, knowledge, and technology necessary to continue to provide quality service to Pennsylvania licensed firearm dealers and to the public. On behalf of all those dedicated to the safety and well-being of this Commonwealth, I present the 2005 PSP Firearms Annual Report.

Sincerely,

Col. Jeffrey B. Miller

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Commissioner

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act, the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) conducts a firearm background check program, the Pennsylvania Instant Check System (PICS). PICS utilizes a toll-free number and Interactive Voice Response (IVR) component which is designed to handle 1.2 million calls a year and, when applicable, issue approvals without operator intervention.

Pennsylvania has served as a Point-of-Contact State for the National Instant Check System (NICS), operated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), since July 1, 1998. The PSP is required to comply with both state and federal law in determining an individual's eligibility to acquire and possess firearms.

The PSP works together with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) in the investigation and prosecution of individuals attempting to acquire firearms illegally by networking information and coordinating investigative efforts. During this year, there were 342 files referred to PSP Troops, ATF, and local police departments for investigation. As a result of these referrals, there were 153 arrests reported, 143 convictions, and prosecution was declined on 90 cases (these numbers include investigations initiated in prior years).

The firearm background check process consists of comprehensive searches of many databases, including: 2,369,983 Pennsylvania criminal history and juvenile records, 389,363 mental health records, approximately 100,824 wanted persons, and federal files containing over 46 million criminal history records and 7 million records on other prohibited persons. Due to the large volume of records in each of the many databases searched to run a single background check, the process may take up to 15 days to complete when a potentially prohibited offense or condition is identified.

In 2005, PICS conducted 497,294 transactions for sheriffs and firearm dealers throughout the Commonwealth. Of these calls, 61% were approved within minutes by the system, while an additional 32% were approved during the initial call with the assistance of an operator. Therefore, 93% of transactions were approved on the initial call. Calls transferred to an operator either identified a record that required review or were placed from a rotary phone, which requires operator assistance. Approximately 75% of the calls received were for gun checks, 22% were for a license to carry a concealed firearm, and the remaining 3% were requests for information on pending checks.

Of the 497,294 transactions this year, 9,451 were initially denied through prohibitions indicated on the individual's record. There were 3,841 individuals who challenged their denials. Based on continued research, information that was provided by the subject of the background check, and/or subsequent receipt of official court records, there were 1,545 challenges that were granted a reversal. The overall approval rate for firearm background check transactions in 2005 was 97%.

Changes were made this year regarding the capture and reporting of the appeal status of PICS challenges. The information regarding challenges to the Attorney General will remain the same and reported on a yearly basis. The information regarding appeals to the Commonwealth Court and PA Supreme Court will reflect cumulative totals since the inception of PICS.

A total of 386,382 firearms were reported purchased or privately transferred in Pennsylvania for 2005. Licensed firearm dealers reported 151,891 handgun transactions and 234,491 long gun transactions for the year.

The *Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Report* for 2005 reported 14,280 violent crimes committed involving the use of a firearm.

There were 91 fugitives identified and apprehended as a result of PICS in 2005. Law enforcement authorities are notified immediately when a fugitive is attempting to purchase a firearm, and is identified through a PICS check.

This report provides statistics and information on the activities of the Pennsylvania State Police, Firearms Division, for calendar year 2005 in compliance with 18 Pa. C.S.A. § 6111.1(i) of the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act.

BACKGROUND

On June 13, 1995, Act 17 was signed into law. Act 17 amended Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act (PUFA). The law included provisions for the PSP to conduct firearm background checks and to collect a \$2.00 fee from firearm dealers for each background check processed and a \$3.00 fee for the sale/transfer of each taxable firearm.

Based on the requirements of Act 17 of 1995, the PUFA and its subsequent amendments, the PSP has taken an aggressive and technologically advanced approach to the firearm background check responsibility with the creation of PICS. PICS provides instantaneous records access through a toll-free telephone number and an IVR system. The system is designed for use by county sheriffs and firearm dealers to ascertain an individual's eligibility to acquire a license to carry a firearm or obtain a firearm through a purchase or transfer.

The development of PICS required coordination with the FBI and the NICS program. Pennsylvania was established as a Point-of-Contact State, in that PICS has the responsibility to conduct background checks for all federal firearm licensees within the Commonwealth.

PICS is a database and communications network dependent system which was designed to handle 1.2 million calls a year. It relies on access to a number of databases at both the state and federal level to complete background checks. Communication problems, or the inability to access any of these databases, will not allow the background check to be completed. Downtime at the federal level is beyond the control of the PSP.

BACKGROUND CHECK DATABASES

The PICS background check process involves accessing both state and federal databases to determine an individual's eligibility to acquire a firearm or license to carry a firearm (for the purpose of carrying a firearm concealed on/or about one's person or in a vehicle throughout the Commonwealth).

State databases searched:

- Pennsylvania Criminal History Records.
- Juvenile Records (contained within the criminal history record file).
- Mental Health File (containing 302, 303, and 304 involuntary commitment information and adjudication of incompetence).
- Pennsylvania Protection From Abuse (PFA) File (not all Pennsylvania PFA's fit the criteria for entry into the National Protection Order File).
- Pennsylvania Wanted/Missing Persons File (wanted persons for which the entering agency will not extradite, are contained in this file only, not the NCIC Wanted Persons File).

As an agency organizational segment within a Point-of-Contact State, PICS conducts the check of the federal databases through the National Instant Check System (NICS).

Federal databases searched:

- Interstate Identification Index - Contains criminal history records submitted by states throughout the country, and federal records.
- Military Records - Dishonorable discharges from the Armed Services.
- Renounced Citizenship.
- Mental Defectives.
- Federal Protection Order File (does not contain Pennsylvania temporary PFA records).
- NCIC Wanted Persons.

PICS STATISTICS

There were 497,294 background checks initiated in 2005.

- 303,836 were automatically approved through the IVR computer. The remaining 193,458 were forwarded to a PICS operator for assistance.
- 156,799 of the calls forwarded to PICS operators were subsequently approved during the initial call.
- A total of 460,635 of incoming calls were approved on the initial call. The remaining calls are placed into research and determinations are provided within 15 days. (See Appendix A for additional information).

AVERAGE PICS BACKGROUND CHECK CALL TIME

PICS computer system statistical summaries were used to determine the average length of time taken to complete a background check call for 2005. These figures do not include calls that are placed into research for more than one day.

- Calls handled through the automated system averaged 3.95 minutes.
- Operator assisted approvals averaged 6.32 minutes.
- Operator assisted denials averaged 19.12 minutes.
- Combined operator assisted calls averaged 12.08 minutes.

CHALLENGES TO DENIALS

Upon receipt of a challenge to a denial, the transaction file is pulled and reviewed by the PICS Challenge Unit. The initial response to a challenge is mailed within five business days to the individual and includes the name and phone number of the legal assistant assigned to the file. The assigned legal assistant works with the individual to obtain information that may lead to a final decision to reverse the denial, or provide the challenger with specific information explaining the reason for denial.

- 9,451 denials were issued by PICS operators in 2005.
- 3,841 individuals challenged their denials.
- 2,286 individuals were issued final denials.
- 1545 denials were reversed.
- 10 cases are pending final disposition.

APPEAL STATUS

A total of 37 appeals were filed with the Office of Attorney General in 2005. Additional documentation was received that enabled PSP to approve 7 of these cases prior to the scheduled hearing date. The following chart reflects the outcome of the remaining cases.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

PSP DENIALS UPHELD	2
PSP DENIALS REVERSED	0
APPEALS WITHDRAWN/CANCELLED	17
APPEALS PENDING	11

The first appeals to reach the Commonwealth Court level were in the year 2000. Statistics listed below reflect cumulative totals. A total of 3 appeals were filed in Commonwealth Court in 2005.

COMMONWEALTH COURT

PSP DENIALS UPHELD	13
PSP DENIALS REVERSED	*16
APPEALS REFUSED/WITHDRAWN/CANCELLED	3
APPEALS PENDING	0

*(Seven of these cases were a result of a single court case decision since all cases involved the same issues.)

The first appeals to reach the Supreme Court were in the year 2001. Statistics listed below reflect cumulative totals. There was 1 appeal filed with the Supreme Court in 2005.

PA SUPREME COURT

PSP DENIALS UPHELD	*5
PSP DENIALS REVERSED	0
APPEALS REFUSED/WITHDRAWN/CANCELLED/REMANDED	7
APPEALS PENDING	1

*(All 5 cases were a result of a single court case decision since all cases involved the same issues.)

FIREARM SALES AND TRANSFERS FOR 2005

There were 2,644 Pennsylvania licensed firearm dealers in 2005. Refer to Appendix E for a breakdown by county. Under the PUFA, licensed firearm dealers are required to conduct background checks on individuals attempting to acquire either a handgun or a long gun. The dealers are also required to complete and submit the *Application/Record of Sale* form promulgated by the PSP. The form is not required for the sale of long guns, although a background check is still necessary unless the long gun transfer is between two private individuals who are both Pennsylvania residents.

Private transfers of long guns between two Pennsylvania residents do not have to be conducted through a licensed firearm dealer. Therefore, no background check is conducted.

Copies of all *Application/Record of Sale* forms are submitted with the *Surcharge Remittance* form to the PSP within 14 days of the transaction. Copies of the forms must be retained at the dealership for a period of 20 years.

- 386,382 firearms were reported purchased/transferred in Pennsylvania in 2005.
- 151,891 handguns were reported purchased/transferred.
- 234,491 long guns were reported purchased/transferred.

Refer to Appendix B for more information on reported sales by county and Appendix C for reported sales by month.

CRIMES COMMITTED WITH FIREARMS IN 2005

The *Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Report* is prepared each year under separate cover by the Pennsylvania State Police. Excerpts of summary data from the 2005 report regarding crimes involving firearms are as follows:

(Reported as of 4/18/06)

TYPE OF CRIME	TOTAL	FIREARMS	PERCENT
Homicide	739	529	71.6%
Robbery	18,503	7,901	42.7%
Aggravated Assault	27,199	5,850	21.5%

LICENSE TO CARRY FIREARMS/SPORTSMAN'S FIREARM PERMITS

There were a total of 101,643 Licenses to Carry Firearms reported issued by county sheriffs' offices in 2005. Background checks are conducted through PICS to determine an individual's eligibility to obtain a License to Carry Firearms.

Under PUFA, the Attorney General has the authority to enter into reciprocal agreements with other states to mutually recognize their License to Carry a Firearm. Currently there are nine states that have formal agreements with Pennsylvania. They are: Alaska, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Texas, and Wyoming.

There are seven other states that recognize Pennsylvania's License to Carry Firearms; however, there is no formal agreement with those states, thus Pennsylvania does not recognize their license. Those states are: Idaho, Indiana, Montana, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Utah. The individual must have the actual permit and a photo ID on their person while carrying a weapon. Since Pennsylvania does not have a reciprocity agreement with these states at this time, licenses issued from those states are not recognized in Pennsylvania. This information can be found on the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General's website at www.attorneygeneral.gov under Criminal Law.

Sportsman's Firearm Permits are issued by the County Treasurer's office and do not require a background check. In 2005, there were a total of 5,435 permits issued.

(See Appendix D for individual county totals regarding License to Carry Firearms and Sportsman's Firearm Permits)

PENNSYLVANIA UNIFORM FIREARMS ACT - ENFORCEMENT

Under 18 Pa. C.S. § 6111(g)(4) of the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act, *...any person, purchaser or transferee who in connection with the purchase, delivery or transfer of a firearm under this chapter knowingly and intentionally makes any materially false oral or written statement or willfully furnishes or exhibits any false identification intended or likely to deceive the seller, licensed dealer or licensed manufacturer commits a felony of the third degree.*

Before initiating investigations under this section, the following information is taken into consideration:

- Initial PICS denial determinations are not always final denials, and the denial determination, exclusively, is not the determining factor for criminal intent.
- Initial denials may be a result of research that could not be completed or fingerprints may be required to distinguish between individuals with similar names and numeric identifiers.
- Individuals denied through PICS have the ability to challenge a denial determination, if they believe they have been denied in error.

In 2005, the following investigations were initiated by the PSP Firearms Division and referred to State Police Troops, local police departments, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

TOTAL INVESTIGATIONS INITIATED	342
Total Referred to PSP Troops	248
Total Referred to Local PDs	94
Total Referred to ATF	0

Listed below are the investigation results reported in 2005. As of December 31, 2005, there were 566 investigations with no reported disposition. The breakdown is as follows: 1999-1, 2000-4, 2001-21, 2002-36, 2003-50, 2004-191, and 2005-263.

INVESTIGATION OUTCOMES	
Arrests Reported	153
Convictions Reported	143
Prosecutions Declined	90
Total Dispositions Unreported to Date	566

WANTED PERSONS ARRESTS

A total of 91 individuals with active warrants were apprehended in 2005. Since its inception on July 1, 1998, PICS is responsible for the apprehension of 782 individuals.

SYSTEM DOWNTIME

PICS is operational 365 days a year from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. for a total of 5,110 hours. PICS experienced 103.1 hours or 2.01% of the total operational hours out of service due to technical problems. (See Appendix F for additional information.)

- 1.05% of downtime was due to technical difficulties with federal databases.
- .69% of downtime was due to Pennsylvania State Police system problems.
- .11% of downtime was due to a combination of technical problems in both the state and federal systems.
- .16% of downtime was due to other technical difficulties.

CONCLUSION

PICS was developed in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Uniform Firearms Act. PICS provides a means by which law-abiding citizens may acquire firearms without undue or unnecessary restrictions. PICS identifies individuals who are precluded by state or federal law from purchasing a firearm. PICS will not authorize the transfer of a firearm by a licensed dealer to a prohibited person. The data presented in this report indicates that PICS is working as intended.

PICS 2005 STATISTICS FROM THE I.V.R. COMPUTERS

YEAR 2005	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTALS
Total PICS Calls	35,160	40,618	50,078	41,576	33,113	32,492	32,995	36,797	42,846	46,099	53,377	52,143	497,294
System-Immediate Approvals	21,933	24,503	31,152	25,319	20,322	19,550	19,602	22,427	26,539	28,137	32,374	31,978	303,836
Database Hit-Call to Operator	9,914	11,416	13,708	11,361	9,143	8,599	8,632	10,073	11,859	12,718	15,092	14,130	136,645
Rotary Phone-File Timed Out	3,313	4,699	5,218	4,896	3,648	4,343	4,761	4,297	4,448	5,244	5,911	6,035	56,813
Average %-System Approvals	62.38%	60.33%	62.21%	60.90%	61.37%	60.17%	59.41%	60.95%	61.94%	61.04%	60.65%	61.33%	61.10%

TOTAL TRANSACTIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH PICS IN 2005: 497,294

(Reported as of 3/27/06)

2005 FIREARM SALES/TRANSFERS REPORTED BY COUNTY					
COUNTY	HANDGUN	LONG GUN	COUNTY	HANDGUN	LONG GUN
ADAMS	1,316	3,622	LACKAWANNA	3,788	4,839
ALLEGHENY	12,881	12,111	LANCASTER	5,745	8,719
ARMSTRONG	590	1,221	LAWRENCE	2,036	2,461
BEAVER	2,702	2,647	LEBANON	2,187	4,021
BEDFORD	871	3,785	LEHIGH	6,059	6,163
BERKS	6,481	14,748	LUZERNE	5,352	7,135
BLAIR	2,465	3,314	LYCOMING	3,074	6,471
BRADFORD	808	2,455	MCKEAN	419	1,053
BUCKS	8,185	7,315	MERCER	764	1,820
BUTLER	3,683	6,118	MIFFLIN	411	1,061
CAMBRIA	2,998	5,165	MONROE	4,150	3,479
CAMERON	57	71	MONTGOMERY	4,912	5,365
CARBON	463	741	MONTOUR	14	58
CENTRE	623	2,410	NORTHAMPTON	2,319	3,030
CHESTER	2,844	3,199	NORTHUMBERLAND	816	1,565
CLARION	788	2,064	PERRY	681	1,370
CLEARFIELD	2,682	7,449	PHILADELPHIA	6,661	1,779
CLINTON	561	1,540	PIKE	204	795
COLUMBIA	1,112	2,446	POTTER	359	683
CRAWFORD	680	1,802	SCHUYLKILL	2,580	4,250
CUMBERLAND	1,746	4,492	SNYDER	396	1,288
DAUPHIN	3,288	6,860	SOMERSET	1,185	2,820
DELAWARE	4,918	1,992	SULLIVAN	50	224
ELK	505	1,259	SUSQUEHANNA	625	1,649
ERIE	3,358	7,276	TIOGA	819	2,754
FAYETTE	3,466	5,304	UNION	375	854
FOREST	13	30	VENANGO	1,089	2,084
FRANKLIN	2,452	6,976	WARREN	651	1,962
FULTON	77	193	WASHINGTON	4,661	6,473
GREENE	380	743	WAYNE	2,125	3,195
HUNTINGDON	393	1,780	WESTMORELAND	6,283	10,497
INDIANA	975	2,003	WYOMING	197	719
JEFFERSON	854	1,660	YORK	5,545	8,374
JUNIATA	144	690			
GRAND TOTAL FOR HANDGUNS FOR 2005				151,891	
GRAND TOTAL FOR LONG GUNS FOR 2005				234,491	
GRAND TOTAL FIREARM SALES/TRANSFERS REPORTED				386,382	

Totals include any taxed and non-taxed sales/transfers reported for year 2005.

(Reported as of 3/27/06)

FIREARM SALES REPORTED BY MONTH FOR 2005			
2005	HANDGUNS	LONG GUNS	MONTHLY TOTALS
JANUARY	14,066	18,063	32,129
FEBRUARY	13,967	17,417	31,384
MARCH	17,064	21,201	38,265
APRIL	12,773	17,112	29,885
MAY	11,251	13,750	25,001
JUNE	10,605	13,098	23,703
JULY	11,311	14,532	25,843
AUGUST	11,364	17,656	29,020
SEPTEMBER	11,904	21,316	33,220
OCTOBER	12,811	26,324	39,135
NOVEMBER	12,216	28,895	41,111
DECEMBER	12,559	25,127	37,686
GRAND TOTALS	151,891	234,491	386,382

Totals include any taxed and non-taxed sales/transfers reported for year 2005.

(Reported as of 3/27/05)

2005 COUNTY STATISTICS FOR LICENSE TO CARRY FIREARMS AND SPORTSMAN'S FIREARM PERMITS					
COUNTY	LTC	SFP	COUNTY	LTC	SFP
ADAMS	720	30	LACKAWANNA	1,645	42
ALLEGHENY	8,729	202	LANCASTER	3,989	277
ARMSTRONG	1,361	41	LAWRENCE	692	116
BEAVER	1,693	144	LEBANON	1,333	41
BEDFORD	643	73	LEHIGH	2,990	83
BERKS	2,930	76	LUZERNE	2,967	140
BLAIR	1,597	27	LYCOMING	1,552	5
BRADFORD	803	68	MCKEAN	796	26
BUCKS	4,451	217	MERCER	1,038	134
BUTLER	1,857	77	MIFFLIN	506	39
CAMBRIA	1,663	66	MONROE	997	132
CAMERON	109	28	MONTGOMERY	3,859	148
CARBON	837	85	MONTOUR	155	30
CENTRE	2,595	45	NORTHAMPTON	1,501	94
CHESTER	2,166	97	NORTHUMBERLAND	1,068	20
CLARION	509	99	PERRY	674	38
CLEARFIELD	1,214	68	PHILADELPHIA	4,205	12
CLINTON	476	20	PIKE	818	93
COLUMBIA	592	71	POTTER	339	62
CRAWFORD	994	149	SCHUYLKILL	1,945	20
CUMBERLAND	1,560	80	SNYDER	410	21
DAUPHIN	2,255	62	SOMERSET	802	74
DELAWARE	2,741	87	SULLIVAN	122	38
ELK	606	49	SUSQUEHANNA	639	70
ERIE	1,635	228	TIOGA	679	49
FAYETTE	3,264	95	UNION	428	5
FOREST	106	49	VENANGO	568	108
FRANKLIN	1,273	112	WARREN	933	59
FULTON	223	24	WASHINGTON	2,207	144
GREENE	312	89	WAYNE	564	146
HUNTINGDON	435	113	WESTMORELAND	4,773	217
INDIANA	976	107	WYOMING	418	26
JEFFERSON	691	42	YORK	3,757	85
JUNIATA	258	21			
GRAND TOTAL LTC FOR 2005				101,643	
GRAND TOTAL SFP FOR 2005				5,435	

LTC - License To Carry
SFP - Sportsman's Firearm Permit

(3/27/05)

NUMBER OF LICENSED FIREARM DEALERS BY COUNTY FOR 2005			
COUNTY	NO. DEALERS	COUNTY	NO. DEALERS
ADAMS	25	LACKAWANNA	52
ALLEGHENY	154	LANCASTER	61
ARMSTRONG	33	LAWRENCE	23
BEAVER	49	LEBANON	31
BEDFORD	19	LEHIGH	45
BERKS	82	LUZERNE	78
BLAIR	40	LYCOMING	44
BRADFORD	50	MCKEAN	20
BUCKS	85	MERCER	48
BUTLER	53	MIFFLIN	18
CAMBRIA	47	MONROE	53
CAMERON	7	MONTGOMERY	73
CARBON	13	MONTOUR	4
CENTRE	39	NORTHAMPTON	47
CHESTER	86	NORTHUMBERLAND	32
CLARION	21	PERRY	26
CLEARFIELD	28	PHILADELPHIA	20
CLINTON	12	PIKE	27
COLUMBIA	27	POTTER	23
CRAWFORD	33	SCHUYLKILL	48
CUMBERLAND	60	SNYDER	15
DAUPHIN	41	SOMERSET	42
DELAWARE	45	SULLIVAN	6
ELK	25	SUSQUEHANNA	34
ERIE	47	TIOGA	29
FAYETTE	49	UNION	11
FOREST	4	VENANGO	22
FRANKLIN	44	WARREN	28
FULTON	13	WASHINGTON	39
GREENE	11	WAYNE	33
HUNTINGDON	24	WESTMORELAND	144
INDIANA	61	WYOMING	10
JEFFERSON	24	YORK	98
JUNIATA	9		
TOTAL LICENSED FIREARM DEALERS FOR 2005			2,644

PENNSYLVANIA INSTANT CHECK SYSTEM DOWNTIME - 2005

Month	Total Hours Down	NICS Hours		PSP Hours		Both Hours		Other Hours		No. Days Affected	Minimum Minutes Down	Maximum Minutes Down	Partial System Out of Service	System Out of Service
		Partial	Down	Partial	Down	Partial	Down	Partial	Down					
January	2.2		1.5		0.7					2	40	90	0.00%	.51%
February	29.9	0.2	28.0		1.7					6	25	702	0.05%	7.58%
March	13.4	0.4	2.6	0.4	10.0					7	23	332	0.18%	2.90%
April	12.3		9.7		2.6					8	5	444	0.00%	2.93%
May	0.8		0.2		0.6					3	11	23	0.00%	.18%
June	5.4		0.4		0.9		0.1		4.0	5	7	241	0.00%	1.29%
July	2.4		2.2		0.2					4	15	65	0.00%	.55%
August	4.1				2.1		2.0			6	30	53	0.00%	.94%
September	4.0		1.7		2.3					5	5	71	0.00%	.95%
October	12.1		6.9		2.3		2.9			7	6	414	0.00%	2.79%
November	7.9				7.9					4	5	354	0.00%	1.88%
December	8.6				3.8		0.5		4.3	7	29	205	0.00%	1.98%

TOTALS	103.1	0.6	53.2	0.4	35.1	5.5	8.3	64	201	2,994	0.02%	2.00%
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AVERAGE SYSTEM DOWNTIME FOR 2005:	2.01%												
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Other: Problems with phone lines.