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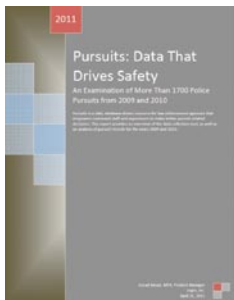
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"Pursuits: Data That Drives Safety" is now available on IACP Net.

Pursuits®: Data That Drives Safety

Motor vehicle pursuits incidents are significant concerns for law enforcement agencies across the globe.

From potential injuries to property damage to community safety, pursuit incidents demand that proper precautions be taken to reduce the propensity for negative externalities that can result from split-second pursuit decisions.

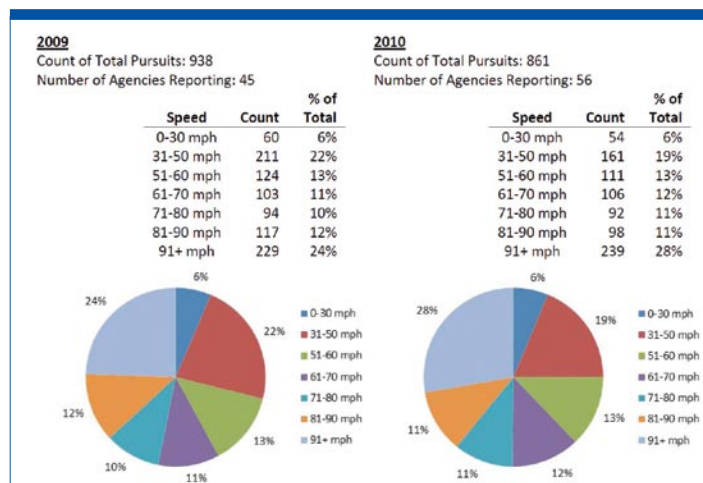
LogIn, Inc.—producer of IACP Net and Pursuits®—has published a comprehensive report analyzing pursuit data collected on Pursuits, the national web-based pursuit tracking tool. "Pursuits: Data That Drives Safety," reviews more than 1,700 pursuit records from 2009 and 2010. This in-depth report is available now, exclusively to IACP Net and Pursuits members.

Data analyzed from each pursuit includes: initial violation, environmental conditions, termination, officer and suspect information, injuries and fatalities, property damage, and more. The

following is an excerpt from the report regarding maximum pursuit speed (in miles per hour):

"Trends in the maximum speed associated with motor vehicle pursuits were fairly consistent in 2009 and 2010. In 2009, 35% of recorded pursuits involved maximum speeds of 31 to 60 miles per hour. In 2010, 32% of recorded pursuits involved maximum speeds of 31 to 60 miles per hour. Pursuits that involved the highest speeds (91+ mph) made up 24% of the recorded pursuits in 2009 and 28% in 2010."

The full report is located in the IACP Net Core Database under document #617010 and on the Pursuits homepage. To participate in Pursuits, please contact customer service at **800.227.9640** or visit the Pursuits website at www.login4pursuits.net.



Data example showing comparison between speeds in pursuits reported for 2009 and 2010.

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IACP Net Helps Wallingford, Connecticut, with Local, National Concerns

Chief Douglas Dortenzio of the Wallingford, Connecticut, Police Department uses IACP Net to address his most important management issue—his budget.

The community of Wallingford (pop. 45,000) is located in central Connecticut, bisected by a number of major highways and a railroad line. "Like everyone else in the country, our biggest concern right now is economics," said the chief. "In the past we have used IACP Net to locate a lot of grants, and over the years we've been successful in receiving money."

That said, times are still tough. Recently, applying for grants has become more difficult in Wallingford—population requirements for many grants have changed, and Wallingford has become disqualified by virtue of its size. In addition, this year the department is legally obligated to give 3% raises—due to contracts negotiated before the recession—even though its budget is 1% less than last year.

Daily Departmental Improvement Is Priceless

Chief Dortenzio is a member of IACP Net: a comprehensive,

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cost-efficient tool that assists the department daily with policy and best practice improvements. The value, said Chief Dortenzio, is priceless.



Chief Douglas Dortenzio,
Wallingford, Connecticut,
Police Department

"I don't think you can put a price tag on improvements constantly made through the use of IACP Net," noted Chief Dortenzio, who uses IACP Net to communicate with other departments across the country. "There is sometimes a tendency in law enforcement to discuss matters only with area

departments, and oftentimes that leaves a department with myopic vision. I use IACP Net to see what other states and sizes of communities are doing, to create a dialogue with others in the region—it's more productive to see innovative things that have been done elsewhere in the United States."

Local and National Issues Addressed

Connecticut has its own form of professional accreditation. Noted Chief Dortenzio, "States that have their own accreditation programs often take into account things that CALEA® can't—local court decisions and law enforcement practices."

Chief Dortenzio and his department use IACP Net daily to look through policies and best practices that best fit their needs. "IACP Net is a conduit for

cutting-edge information. It helps us with cost-efficiency, as well as changes in particular operations. We compare that to our own internal needs and practices and extract the changes that are appropriate to us."

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Easy Searching for Efficient Information

The Wallingford Police Department uses IACP Net's Core and Policies Databases to easily sort through relevant information.

"We constantly review business practices and policies and revise our own internal business practices accordingly," said Chief Dortenzio. "We do this religiously—whenever we see something in print, something that catches our eye, we update our policies. We're constantly looking for ways to improve, and IACP Net helps us do that."

When speaking to law enforcement executives who don't use IACP Net, Chief Dortenzio is clear. "I run into chiefs who don't use IACP Net, and I tell them that I look at it as a comprehensive database that is well laid out, easy to use, a cost-efficient method for receiving contemporary, professional information," he explained. "I have every intention of remaining a member of IACP Net."

IACP Net Celebrates Its 20th Anniversary!

To all of our members, we would like to thank you for being a part of IACP Net over the past 20 years. In October 1991, several years before the Internet was commonplace, LogIn launched IACP Net in cooperation with the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

In 1991, we were training folks how to dial into IACP Net with a modem. In 2011, our training time is spent on substance like updating a policy or finding no-cost training. Users 20 years ago had to install IACP Net using floppy disks. Now, all you need is access to the Internet. Troubleshooting used to require flipping through hundreds of pages in a user manual. Today's IACP Net user can find page-specific assistance on the site by simply clicking Help. Changes in technology, both major and minor, have improved IACP Net's ease of use and efficiency.

For those who have been with us since the beginning, you know that we've grown significantly over the past 20 years. Today, more than 4,000 law enforcement professionals use IACP Net, and you can tap their wealth of experience by asking specific questions in the Quest-ResponseSM service. With over 70,000 documents covering innovations, policies, and solutions, thousands of topics can be found on IACP Net.

Celebrate with us and visit IACP Net's booth (#4315) at this year's IACP Conference in Chicago, Illinois, October 23 – 25. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you.

Join the Net!

Law enforcement leaders choose IACP Net to find and share innovations, policies, and solutions to make informed decisions. Join IACP Net today!

Call **800.227.9640**
or visit www.iacpnet.com.

IACP Net Increases Efficiency in Savage, Minnesota

The police department works closely with residents to ensure public safety in Savage, Minnesota (pop. 27,000), a southern suburb of Minneapolis-Saint Paul.

"We have a great relationship with Savage's mayor, city council, and city administrator—they're all pro public safety," said Chief Rodney Seurer of the Savage, Minnesota, Police Department. "The public love our programs: A recent survey, taken in Savage, showed that 96% of those surveyed had positive associations with public safety. We were very excited about how pleased they were with our services. I'm so lucky to work in a community that supports its police department."

Multiple Sources for Multiple Answers

The Savage Police Department is a member of IACP Net, which offers access to multiple services for law enforcement executives, giving them opportunities to attack challenges from many different angles.

Chief Seurer uses the Core Database, Policies Database, and the Quest-ResponseSM service for departmental research. In May 2011, the department used IACP Net as a main resource in researching and developing "Take It to the Box," a safe medication disposal program. "For another example, we needed a field training manual for sergeants and managers. I was able to use IACP Net to develop a supervisor's manual and a field training program that is used today in our succession planning," said the chief.

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I like a lot of the things that the Jupiter, Florida, Police Department are doing and have accomplished. We were able to extract specific information from their policies and procedures on IACP Net and put together a viable product."

Chief Seurer thinks it's important to take the time to share information as well as research it. "I'll send our department policies to other law enforcement executives through the Quest-Response service," he added. "I do a lot of research, find out who is asking the same questions we are, and follow up when I can."

"We use IACP Net almost daily," he added.

Boost Efficiency and Beat Budget Woes

Like many departments, the biggest issue facing the Savage Police Department is budgeting. Chief Seurer knows that IACP Net's efficiency streamlines the department's research efforts, thereby reducing costs. "It's an invaluable resource—information at the tip of your fingers," said the chief. "If an officer were doing research on the phone with unknown departments, it would take many more hours to get the information. I was able to sell IACP Net to our city administrator as an efficient and effective tool for great research, saving time and money and having law enforcement information at your fingertips."

Although Savage's crime rate has gone down by 10%, the community still has a significant problem with fraud and identity theft. "I had planned to hire four additional staff—including an investigator to assist with fraud and identity theft—but couldn't because of the reduced budget," said Chief Seurer. "We're able to get work done, but we're not able to implement additional, vital programs for the community. With that said, the decrease

of reportable crime statistics reinforces the importance of our community partnerships, partnerships with IACP Net, and our crime initiatives that we have created and sustained."

Regardless, Chief Seurer knows that through tight budgets and tough research questions, IACP Net will be there. "IACP Net has just been a great resource for our department," he said. "I'm pleased that we have IACP Net."



Chief Rodney Seurer,
Savage, Minnesota, Police Department

IACP Net at Work

➔ Search "medication and disposal"

Locate information on medication disposal programs on IACP Net. Using the keywords "medication and disposal" in the Core Database, find dozens of documents, including the following:

614600 — Cleaning Out the Medicine Chest: A Nationwide Initiative Is Launched: A recent article reviewing one program, providing links for more information.

616425 — Prescription Medicine Disposal: A policy from the Bartlett, Illinois, Police Department.

611660 — Prescription Drug Turn-In Program: A Quest asking for ideas with seven Responses.

612875 — Drug Disposal Event Collects More Than 8,000 Pills: A document detailing East Chattanooga Weed and Seed's successful program.



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New Additions to the IACP Net Database

The IACP Net information team brings you the most innovative and up-to-date information on topics of interest to law enforcement leaders. For assistance locating these or other database documents, please call the IACP Net hotline at **800.227.9640**.

Legal Hacking: Finding What You Need for Your Case Online

This document reviews some tricks of the trade from an open source intelligence expert based in Washington, D.C., on tracking criminals on Facebook, even when they think their pages are locked from anyone they haven't befriended. **Document No. 616213**

Golf Carts—Operation on City Streets—Prohibitions

This ordinance is from the Carl Junction, Missouri, Police Department. Golf carts may be operated on streets under the

jurisdiction of the city upon the conditions outlined in this ordinance. **Document No. 616615**

No-Knock Home Searches

Besides the requirement of a warrant based on probable cause for entry into a home to conduct a search, the Fourth Amendment, under most circumstances, also requires that police knock and announce themselves. This article briefly examines the nature of this requirement, and then discusses the exceptions that courts have recognized for exigent circumstances that justify officers dispensing with this requirement. **Document No. 615939**

IACP Position Paper on Alarm Management

When considering the balance between community expectations, overall public safety, limited resources, and IACP-

recommended initiatives such as community policing, the IACP has determined which elements/best practices should be considered in any alarm management program, by ordinance and/or department policy. **Document No. 616834**

Performance Appraisal Report

This performance appraisal form from the Wallingford, Connecticut, Police Department is used to evaluate the performance of an employee of the department. **Document No. 616955**

Final Findings from Force Science Exhaustion Study

The Force Science research team that explored officer exhaustion through a unique set of experiments has issued its official findings with significant conclusions. **Document No. 616742**