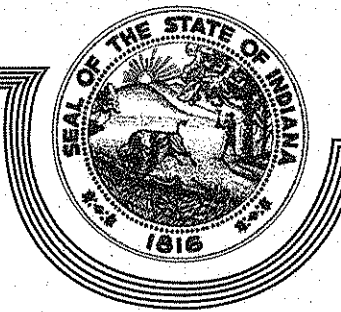


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TO: Wells County Commissioners  
Wells County Council  
Bluffton News Banner  
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RE: Annual Report of Criminal and Child Support Activity/  
Wells County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

This report shows the volume and classification of criminal charges, juvenile adjudications, and child support collection cases handled in the year 2009 by the Wells County Prosecutor's Office, as well as information relative to said statistics. Attached hereto is a breakdown of the number and type of adult criminal charges filed in 2009. During the past year, the Wells County Prosecutor's Office handled 1,167 criminal charges, along with 74 juvenile criminal matters, for a total of 1,241 criminal matters. This represents a decrease in criminal filings of 41 charges from the year 2008.

Among the more serious criminal charges filed in 2009, were 5 Murder charges, 116 Burglary/Thefts, 21 Child Molesting and related crimes, and 46 drug dealing crimes. Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated was the most common criminal offense with 155 filings; however, this number was down from 2008's total of 164.

The Child Support Division of the Wells County Prosecutor's Office deals with collection of child support payments, establishment of paternity, and other collateral matters. In 2009, said division handled 1,197 cases, and said division collected \$3,000,464.37 in child support. Wells County continued to be one of the leading counties in the State of Indiana in collecting child support. Wells County was 5<sup>th</sup> out of 92 counties in percentage of current support collected and 8<sup>th</sup> out of 92 counties in percentage of delinquent support collected. Anyone who wishes to take advantage of the services offered by the Child Support Division of the Wells County Prosecutor's Office may either call the Child Support Division at 824-6409 or visit the Prosecutor's Office Website at [prosecutor@wellscounty.org](mailto:prosecutor@wellscounty.org).

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the excellent work done by my Deputy Prosecutors, my staff, the Judges, and all area law enforcement agencies

and officers. Without their dedication and professionalism, the Wells County Prosecutor's Office would not be able to handle such a substantial caseload.

In 2010, the Wells County Prosecutor's Office will try to go completely paperless in the receipt of police reports, generation of charging documents, and storage of files.

Wells County Prosecutor's Office



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# Number of Counts/Cases Summary

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Statute	Count	Case	Class	Type	Offense Name
	1	1	A	I	A-Infraction
	1	1	D	F	D-Felony
7.1-5-1-3	48	48	B	M	Public Intoxication
7.1-5-7-7(a)(1)	18	16	C	M	Illegal Possession of an Alcoholic Beverage
7.1-5-7-7(a)(2)	39	39	C	M	Illegal Consumption of an Alcoholic Beverage
7.1-5-7-7(a)(3)	2	2	C	M	Illegal Transportation of an Alcoholic Beverage On a Public Highway
7.1-5-7-8(a)	1	1	A	M	Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor
9-18-2-7	1	1	C	I	Expired Plates
9-18-2-27	1	1	C	I	False or Fictitious Registration
9-19-10-2	3	3	D	I	Failure of Occupant to Use Safety Belt
9-21-3-7	5	5	C	I	Disregarding Automatic Signal
9-21-5-1	2	2	C	I	Speeding -- General Restrictions
9-21-5-2	127	127	C	I	Speeding
9-21-5-3	20	20	C	I	Exceeding Posted Speed Limit
9-21-5-6(d)	13	13	B	I	Speeding in School Zone
9-21-8-2	5	5	C	I	Driving Left of Center
9-21-8-14	3	3	C	I	Following too Closely
9-21-8-24(3)	2	2	C	I	Unsafe Lane Movement
9-21-8-25	1	1	C	I	Failure to Signal for Turn or Lane Change
9-21-8-31	1	1	C	I	Failure to Yield Right of Way at Entrance to Through Highway
9-21-8-32	10	10	C	I	Disregarding Stop Sign
9-21-8-52(a)(1)	1	1	B	M	Reckless Driving
9-21-12-1	4	4	A	I	Passing Stopped School Bus
9-24-1-1	2	2	C	I	No Valid Operator's License
9-24-7-4	1	1	C	I	Learner's Permit Violation
9-24-11-8(b)	2	2	C	M	Operating a Motor Vehicle in Violation of Restricted License
9-24-15-11	1	1	B	M	Violation of Restricted License
9-24-18-1	14	14	C	M	Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Ever Receiving a License
9-24-19-1	2	2	A	I	Driving While Suspended
9-24-19-2	42	42	A	M	Driving While Suspended
9-24-19-3	4	4	A	M	Driving While Suspended
9-25-8-2(a)(1)	1	1	A	I	Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Financial Responsibility
9-26-1-1(1)	1	1	A	M	Failure to Stop After Accident Resulting in Injury

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9-26-1-1(1)	1	1	D	F	Failure to Stop After Accident Resulting in Serious Bodily Injury
9-26-1-3(1)	1	1	B	M	Failure to Stop after Accident Resulting in Damage to Unattended Vehicle
9-26-1-4(a)(1)	2	2	B	M	Failure to Stop after Accident Resulting in Non-Vehicle Damage
9-30-5-1(a)	19	19	C	M	Operating a Vehicle With an ACE of .08 or More
9-30-5-1(a)	6	6	D	F	Operating a Vehicle with an ACE of .08 or More
9-30-5-1(b)	29	29	A	M	Operating a Vehicle with an ACE of .15 or More
9-30-5-1(b)	7	7	D	F	Operating a Vehicle with an ACE of .15 or More
9-30-5-1(c)	6	6	C	M	Operating a Vehicle with a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance or its Metabolite in the Body
9-30-5-2(a) & (b)	3	3	D	F	Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated Endangering a Person
9-30-5-2(a)	17	17	A	M	Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated Endangering a Person
9-30-5-2(a)	42	42	C	M	Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated
9-30-5-2(a)	14	14	D	F	Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated
9-30-5-4(a)(1)	2	2	C	F	Causing Serious Bodily Injury when Operating a Motor Vehicle with an ACE of .08 or More
9-30-5-4(a)(3)	2	2	C	F	Causing Serious Bodily Injury when Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated
9-30-7-5	1	1	C	I	Refusal to Submit to Breath or Chemical Test
9-30-10-16(a)(1)	4	4	D	F	Operating a Vehicle as an Habitual Traffic Violator
9-30-10-17	1	1	C	F	Operating a Motor Vehicle After Forfeiture of License for Life
9-30-15-3	1	1	B	I	Open Alcoholic Beverage Container During Operation of a Motor Vehicle
9-30-15-3	4	4	C	I	Open Alcoholic Beverage Container During Operation of a Motor Vehicle
9-30-15-4	2	2	B	I	Consumption of Alcohol While Operating a Motor Vehicle
11-8-8-17(a)(5)	1	1	D	F	Failure to Register as a Sex or Violent Offender
14-22-6-2	1	1	C	M	Taking of a Migratory Bird
14-22-10-1	2	2	C	M	Using Private Land without Consent
15-17-18-8(a)	1	1	B	M	Animals Running at Large
16-42-19-11	1	1	D	F	Unlawful Sale of Legend Drugs
35-42-1-1(1)	5	5	X	F	Murder
35-42-1-1(2)	4	4	X	F	Murder
35-42-2-1(a)	18	14	B	M	Battery
35-42-2-1(a)(1)(A)	24	22	A	M	Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury
35-42-2-1(a)(2)(B)	3	3	D	F	Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury
35-42-2-1(a)(2)(I)	1	1	D	F	Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury
35-42-2-1(a)(3)	1	1	C	F	Battery by Means of a Deadly Weapon

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35-42-2-1(a)(8)	5	4	C	F	Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury to a Pregnant Woman
35-42-2-1.3(a)	11	11	A	M	Domestic Battery
35-42-2-1.3(a)	14	14	D	F	Domestic Battery
35-42-2-2(b)(1)	2	2	A	M	Criminal Recklessness
35-42-2-2(b)(1)	2	2	D	F	Criminal Recklessness
35-42-2-2(b)(2)	2	2	A	M	Criminal Recklessness
35-42-2-2(b)(2)	1	1	D	F	Criminal Recklessness
35-42-2-4(a)	1	1	B	M	Obstructing Traffic
35-42-2-6(e)	1	1	D	F	Battery by Body Waste
35-42-2-7(c)	1	1	A	M	Tattooing a Minor
35-42-2-9(b)	7	7	D	F	Strangulation
35-42-3-3(a)(1)	1	1	B	F	Criminal Confinement
35-42-3-3(a)(1)	1	1	D	F	Criminal Confinement
35-42-4-1(a)(1)	2	1	B	F	Rape
35-42-4-3(a)(1)	4	1	A	F	Child Molesting
35-42-4-3(b)	5	4	C	F	Child Molesting
35-42-4-4(b)(1)	1	1	C	F	Child Exploitation
35-42-4-6(b)(1)	1	1	C	F	Child Solicitation
35-42-4-6(b)(1)	1	1	D	F	Child Solicitation
35-42-4-9(a)	1	1	C	F	Sexual Misconduct with a Minor
35-42-4-9(a)(1)	5	4	B	F	Sexual Misconduct with a Minor
35-42-4-9(b)(1)	2	2	C	F	Sexual Misconduct with a Minor
35-42-4-11(c)(1)	1	1	D	F	Illegal Sex Offender Residency
35-42-5-1(1)	4	4	A	F	Robbery Resulting in Serious Bodily Injury
35-42-5-1(1)	4	4	B	F	Armed Robbery
35-42-5-1(1)	1	1	C	F	Robbery
35-42-5-1(2)	1	1	C	F	Robbery
35-43-1-2(a)(1)	5	4	A	M	Criminal Mischief
35-43-1-2(a)(1)	14	13	B	M	Criminal Mischief
35-43-2-1	1	1	A	F	Burglary Resulting in Bodily Injury
35-43-2-1	9	8	B	F	Burglary
35-43-2-1	9	5	C	F	Burglary
35-43-2-1.5	4	4	D	F	Residential Entry
35-43-2-2(a)(1)	7	7	A	M	Criminal Trespass

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35-43-2-2(a)(2)	3	3	A	M	Criminal Trespass
35-43-4-2(a)	93	43	D	F	Theft
35-43-4-2.5(b)(1)	4	4	D	F	Auto Theft
35-43-4-2.5(c)	1	1	D	F	Receiving Stolen Auto Parts
35-43-4-2.7(d)	2	2	B	M	Unauthorized Entry of a Motor Vehicle
35-43-4-3(a)	13	13	A	M	Conversion
35-43-4-7(b)(1)	2	2	A	M	Vending Machine Vandalism
35-43-5-2(b)(1)	14	6	C	F	Forgery
35-43-5-2.5	1	1	A	M	False Government Identification
35-43-5-3.5(a)	1	1	D	F	Identity Deception
35-43-5-4(1)	2	1	D	F	Fraud
35-43-5-5	42	29	A	M	Check Deception
35-43-5-7(a)(1)	1	1	C	F	Welfare Fraud
35-44-2-1(a)(1)	1	1	D	F	Perjury
35-44-2-2(d)(1)	2	2	B	M	False Informing
35-44-3-3(a)(1)	11	10	A	M	Resisting Law Enforcement
35-44-3-3(a)(3)	2	2	A	M	Resisting Law Enforcement
35-44-3-3(a)(3)	1	1	D	F	Resisting Law Enforcement
35-44-3-4(a)(3)	1	1	D	F	Obstruction of Justice
35-44-3-6(a)	5	4	A	M	Failure to Appear
35-44-3-6(a)	3	3	D	F	Failure to Appear
35-44-3-6.5(a)(1)	4	4	C	M	Failure to Respond to a Summons
35-45-1-3(a)(1)	20	20	B	M	Disorderly Conduct
35-45-1-3(a)(2)	7	7	B	M	Disorderly Conduct
35-45-2-1(a)(1)	1	1	C	F	Intimidation
35-45-2-1(a)(2)	4	1	A	M	Intimidation
35-45-2-1(a)(2)	2	1	D	F	Intimidation
35-45-2-2(a)(1)	1	1	B	M	Harassment
35-45-2-5(1)	5	5	A	M	Interference with the Reporting of a Crime
35-45-3-2(a)	1	1	B	I	Littering
35-46-1-3	4	1	B	F	Incest
35-46-1-4(a)(1)	1	1	C	F	Neglect of a Dependent Resulting in Bodily Injury
35-46-1-4(a)(4)	1	1	D	F	Neglect of a Dependent
35-46-1-5(a)	3	3	C	F	Nonsupport of Dependent Child

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35-46-1-8(a)	1	1	A	M	Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor
35-46-1-15.1(1)	20	12	A	M	Invasion of Privacy
35-46-1-15.1(2)	28	4	A	M	Invasion of Privacy
35-46-1-15.1(5)	10	5	A	M	Invasion of Privacy
35-46-1-15.1(6)	4	2	A	M	Invasion of Privacy
35-46-3-1	1	1	B	M	Harboring a Non-immunized Dog
35-46-6-2(3)	1	1	B	M	Inhaling Toxic Vapors
35-47-4-3(b)	1	1	D	F	Pointing a Firearm
35-47.5-5-2(1)	1	1	C	F	Possession of a Destructive Device
35-48-4-1.1	2	2	B	F	Dealing in Methamphetamine
35-48-4-2(a)(1)	21	8	B	F	Dealing in a Schedule II Controlled Substance
35-48-4-3(a)(1)	7	2	C	F	Dealing in a Schedule IV Controlled Substance
35-48-4-4.1(a)(2)	1	1	D	F	Dumping Controlled Substance Waste
35-48-4-4.6(a)	1	1	C	F	Dealing in a Look-a-like Substance
35-48-4-6(a)	1	1	D	F	Possession of Cocaine
35-48-4-6.1(a)	2	2	D	F	Possession of Methamphetamine
35-48-4-7(a)	7	6	D	F	Possession of a Controlled Substance
35-48-4-8.3(a)(1)	15	15	A	M	Possession of Paraphernalia
35-48-4-10(a)(1)	4	2	A	M	Dealing in Marijuana
35-48-4-10(a)(1)	3	1	D	F	Dealing in Marijuana
35-48-4-10(a)(2)	8	4	D	F	Dealing in Marijuana
35-48-4-11(1)	13	13	A	M	Possession of Marijuana
35-48-4-11(1)	2	2	D	F	Possession of Marijuana
35-48-4-11(2)	5	5	A	M	Possession of Marijuana
35-48-4-13(b)(1)	1	1	D	F	Maintaining a Common Nuisance
35-48-4-13(b)(2)	1	1	D	F	Maintaining a Common Nuisance
35-48-4-14.5(b)	1	1	D	F	Possession of a Precursor
35-48-4-14.5(c)	1	1	D	F	Illegal Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia or Ammonia Solution
35-48-4-14.7(d)	1	1	C	M	Purchase of More Than 3 Grams of Precursor in a Week
35-49-3-3(1)	3	2	D	F	Dissemination of Matter Harmful to Minors
35-50-2-8(a)	3	3			Habitual Offender
35-50-2-10(b)	2	2			Habitual Substance Offender