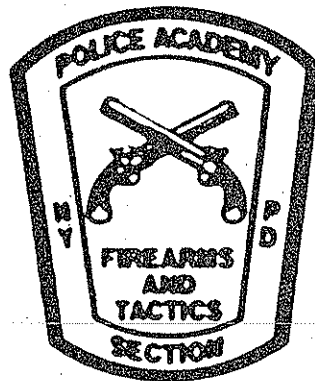


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INTRODUCTION

The Firearms Discharge Assault Report is compiled and produced annually by the Police Academy, Firearms and Tactics Section. The information contained in this report is obtained from Firearms Discharge/Assault Reports prepared by uniformed members of the service and narrative reports prepared by supervisory personnel. All pertinent information contained in these reports is thoroughly analyzed, evaluated and collated. Once the pertinent information is assessed, it is used to prepare the yearly Firearms Discharge Assault Report.

This report is not merely designed to provide a statistical analysis of firearms discharges and assaults upon uniformed members of the service. Its primary function is to serve as a training tool. Patterns and possible hazards are identified which allows the Department to structure training courses to address current conditions. Tendencies, circumstances or conditions which may occur during one or more incidents permits the Department to incorporate necessary changes into training cycles to help promote the safety of all concerned.

Training is continuously evolving to serve our needs. The most significant concern of firearms and tactics training is safety. The safety of our members and the safety of the public we serve is paramount to all other concerns. The promotion and implementation of sound tactical procedures is the most effective means of ensuring the safety of all during the accomplishment of our mission.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Assault	Defines an incident in which an officer is assaulted with any type of weapon including a firearm, however, the officer does not fire his/her weapon; or when a perpetrator fires a weapon at the officer and officer does not return fire.
Defense of Self/Others	Defines any incident whereby the MOS fired his/her weapon to defend him/herself or another against a perpetrator.
FDAR	Firearms Discharge Assault Report. Source document used to compile statistical information for inclusion in this report.
Firearms Incident (shooting)	Defines any incident during which a member of the service fired his/her weapon for any reason.
Gunfight	Defines any incident during which both the perpetrator and member(s) of the service fired their weapons at each other. An exchange of gunfire.
Incidents	Includes all gunfights, shooting incidents and assaults.
M.O.S.	Member(s) of the Service

1998 SUMMARY

Firearms Discharge Assault Report

During 1998, a total of 321 incidents were reported as compared to 329 incidents reported in 1997, showing a decrease of 2%. Of the 321 incidents reported, Members of the Service fired a total of 856 shots in 1998 as compared to 1,040 shots in 1997 showing a decrease of 18%. Of the 856 shots fired by members of the service in 1998, 234 shots were fired at dogs as compared to 246 shots in 1997 showing a decrease of 5%.

The overall hit potential of members of the service who discharged their firearm for any reason increased from 27% in 1997 to 39% in 1998. The hit potential of members of the service who discharged their firearm against perpetrators in a gunfight or in defense of self or others increased to 29% in 1998 as opposed to 17% in 1997.

Gunfights decreased from 39 in 1997 to 26 in 1998. (A decrease of 33%) Gunfights represented 11% of all shootings. There were a total of 47 officers who fired at perpetrators in gunfights in 1998. Of these officers 42 were on duty and 5 were off-duty. Officers fired a total of 259 shots with 66 hits. (Hit potential 25%). Average number of shots per incidents 10.0. Average number of shots fired per MOS is 5.5.

During the reporting period, there was a 31% increase in Accidental Discharges from 42 in 1997 to 55 in 1998.

There was one mistaken identity incident. A MOS was searching for a perpetrator who fled into a building where another detective was also searching; the MOS heard noise and discharged two rounds into a wall. The MOS who was hit was saved by his bullet resistant vest. The officer was shot two times sustaining blunt trauma to the chest.

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY PRECINCT OF OCCURRENCE:

<u>MANHATTAN - TOTAL</u> 58		<u>BROOKLYN - TOTAL</u> 110	
001	4	060	3
005	4	061	3
006	1	062	0
007	0	063	3
009	0	066	2
010	3	067	10
013	2	068	4
M.T.S.	0	069	3
017	0	070	2
M.T.N.	3	071	9
019	0	072	2
020	2	073	9
023	6	075	9
024	1	076	4
025	5	077	8
026	2	078	0
028	5	079	14
030	4	081	5
032	6	083	7
033	8	084	3
034	2	088	2
C.P.P.	0	090	4
		094	4
<u>BRONX - TOTAL</u>	73	<u>QUEENS - TOTAL</u>	55
040	5	100	2
041	6	101	3
042	3	102	4
043	14	103	8
044	11	104	3
045	2	105	4
046	6	106	6
047	7	107	0
048	7	108	2
049	1	109	3
050	4	110	4
052	7	111	2
		112	0
		113	9
		114	5
		115	0
<u>OUTSIDE CITY - TOTAL</u>	14	<u>STATEN ISLAND - TOTAL</u>	11
Nassau	6	120	9
Suffolk	3	122	1
Westchester	5	123	1

1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT

Summary Statistics

TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS:

Total 321

Firearms Incidents: 244

55 Accidental Discharges
105 Defense of self/others
78 Dog
1 Mistaken Identity
1 At Vehicle
3 Intoxicated
1 Domestic

Assault Incidents: 72

Other: 05

1 Attempted Suicide
4 Suicide

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY DAY

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY TOUR

Sunday 31
Monday 49
Tuesday 44
Wednesday 65
Thursday 47
Friday 44
Saturday 41

0001 - 0800 89
0801 - 1600 77
1601 - 2400 155

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY BOROUGH:

321

Manhattan South 17
Manhattan North 41
Bronx 73
Brooklyn South 45
Brooklyn North 65
Queens South 36
Queens North 19
Staten Island 11
Outside City 14

1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT

Summary Statistics

NUMBER OF MOS INVOLVED: 451

Lieutenant	7
Sergeant	43
Detective	52
Police Officer	349

MOS DUTY STATUS AND ATTIRE

On duty in uniform:	220	48.9%
On duty civilian attire:	165	36.6%
Off duty	66	14.4%

NUMBER OF OUTSIDE INCIDENTS: 213

NUMBER OF INSIDE INCIDENTS: 108

POSITION DURING ALL INCIDENTS

		<u>%</u>
Standing	319	70.7
Sitting	38	8.5
Struggling	16	3.5
Combat crouch	19	4.2
Running	6	1.3
Falling	6	1.3
Prone	7	1.6
Kneeling	1	.2
Unknown	39	8.7

MEMBERS ACCURACY AT DISTANCE FIRED:

(All incidents):

	<u># MOS</u>	<u># SHOTS</u>	<u># HITS</u>	<u>HIT POTENTIAL</u>
00 - 02 YDS.	231	505	262	52%
03 - 07 YDS.	56	210	53	25%
08 - 15 YDS.	21	69	13	19%
16 - 25 YDS.	4	18	6	33%
Over 25 YDS.	3	38	2	5%
Not Stated	6	16	0	0%
Total	321	856	336	39%

ASSAULTS

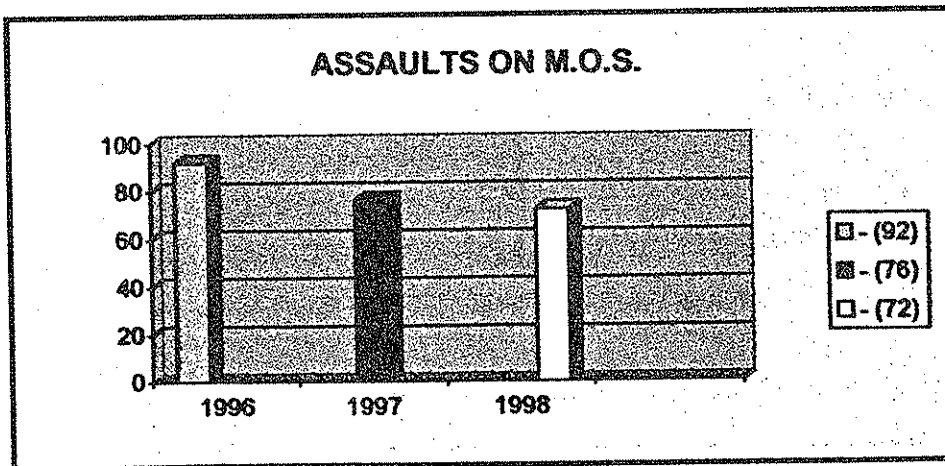
Assault defines an incident in which an officer is assaulted with any type of weapon including a firearm, however, the officer does not fire his/her weapon; or when a perpetrator fires a weapon at the officer and the officer does not return the fire.

TOTAL NUMBER OF ASSAULTS: 72

During 1998, there were 112 MOS who were assaulted by perpetrators. Of those officers 92 were injured. 5 MOS were disarmed of their weapon.

How MOS Assaulted:

- Disarmed – hit on head with gun
- Disarmed – hit with nightstick
- Breaking up a fight – hit with bottles
- Attacked while sitting in RMP
- Object thrown from roof
- Slashed with razor
- Cut with knife disarming perpetrator



1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT

ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES

During 1998, there were **55** accidental discharge incidents as compared to 42 in 1997, an **increase** of 31%.

REASONS FOR ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES

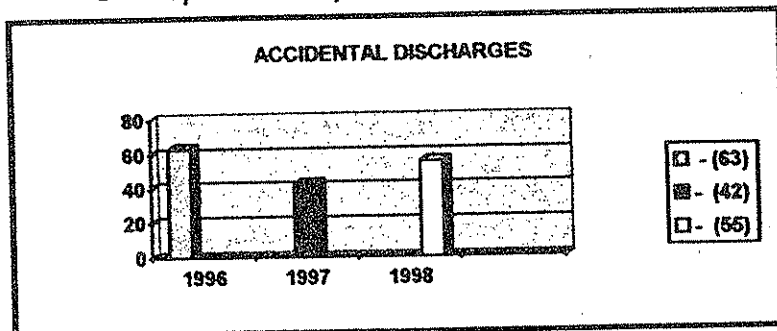
Struggling with perp	19
Loading / Unloading weapon	8
Cleaning weapon	8
Holstering weapon	5
Dropping gun on floor	1
Transferring from holster to waistband	2
Running	1
Clearing jam	1
Securing weapon	1
Retrieving weapon from desk drawer	2
Exiting vehicle	1
In vehicle caught on gear shift	1
Vehicle door hit hand	1
Weapon caught on heavy vest	1
Pending investigation	3

NUMBER OF INJURIES SUSTAINED AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGES

19	MOS shot themselves
1	MOS shot another MOS causing injury
5	Perpetrators sustained injury
1	Civilian bystander was injured

Type of Weapon Used by Members of the Service

42	Semi automatic weapon
12	Revolver
1	Special Weapon



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DEFENSE OF SELF/OTHERS

Any incident whereby the member of the service fired his/her weapon to defend him/herself or another against a perpetrator.

Gunfights

Gunfight defines any incident during which both the perpetrator and the member of the service fired their weapons at each other. An exchange of gunfire.

During 1998 there were 26 incidents whereby MOS and perpetrators exchanged gunfire.

Number MOS who fired: 47
 Number of shots fired: 259
 Number of hits: 66

Hit Potential: 25%

Shots fired per incident: 10.0
 Shots fired per MOS: 5.5

Number MOS On duty: 42
 Number MOS Off duty: 5

Perpetrator Statistics:

Number of perps who fired: 29
 Number of shots fired at MOS: 115
 Number of hits: 10
 Shots per incident: 4.4
 Shots fired per perp: 4.0

Hit Potential: 9%

Number of Perps killed: 6
 Number of Perps shot/injured: 3
 Number of MOS killed: 3

Other Shooting Incidents Involving Perpetrators

During 1998 there were 79 other incidents whereby an officer fired his/her weapon against a perpetrator:

Number of MOS who fired: 103
 Number of shots fired: 270
 Number of hits: 91

Hit Potential: 34%

Shots fired per incident: 3.4
 Shots fired per MOS: 2.6

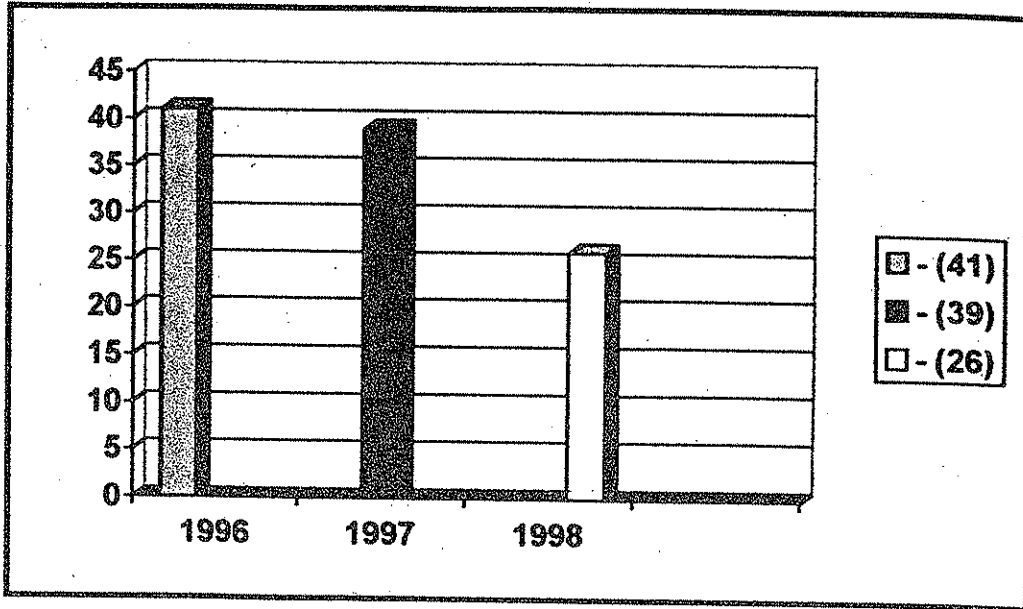
Number MOS On duty: 86
 Number MOS Off duty: 17

MOS Assignments

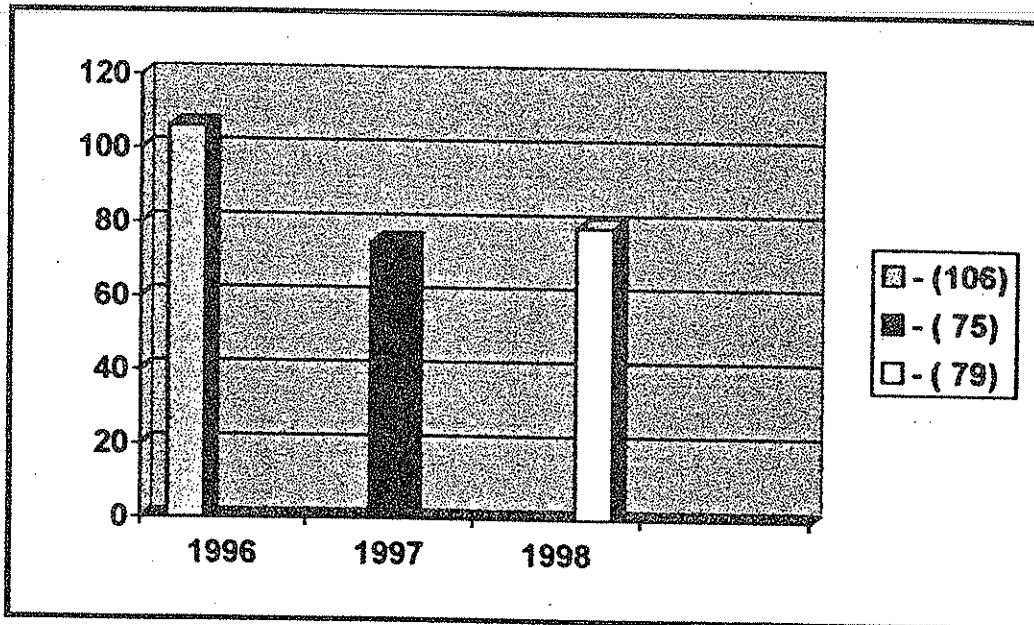
RMP 36
 Anticrime 24
 Off duty 17
 Buy & Bust 11
 Other 5
 Undercover 4
 ESU 3
 Foot Patrol 1
 Scooter 1
 Detective Bureau 1

Number of Perps killed: 13
 Number of Perps shot/injured: 34

COMPARISON OF MAJOR SHOOTINGS GUNFIGHTS



OTHER SHOOTING INCIDENTS INVOLVING PERPETRATORS



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DOG RELATED INCIDENTS

During 1998 there were 78 dog-related incidents where members of the service responded. In total, 88 dogs were involved as follows:

61	Pitbulls
10	Rotweillers
4	German Shepherds
5	Mixed
8	Other/Unknown

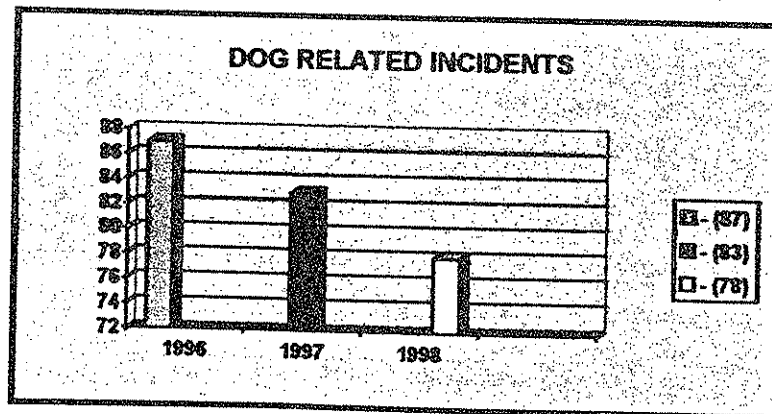
Total MOS who fired:	102
Total shots fired:	234
Total hits:	145

Hit Potential: 62%

Total dogs injured:	29
Total dogs killed:	35

Of the 35 dogs killed:

15	were charging at MOS
11	attacking officer or civilian
9	biting officer or civilian



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**Members of the Service
Killed in the Line of Duty
1998**

Detective Sean Carrington
January 19, 1998
46 Precinct

*Detective Carrington was shot in the abdomen and shoulder
Narrative can be found on page 15*

Police Officer Anthony Mosomillo
May 26, 1998
67 Precinct

*Police Officer Mosomillo was shot in the neck, chest and
shoulder. Narrative can be found on page 17*

Police Officer Gerard Carter
July 26, 1998
120 Precinct

*Police Officer Carter was shot in the head. Officer succumbed
to injury on July 31st. Narrative can be found on page 18*

1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT

Gunfight Synopses

January 7, 1998

90 Pct.

4X12

Hallway

Two anticrime unit officers were entering an empty apartment to conduct a visual observation of criminal activity in courtyard below. As the officers entered the apartment multiple gunshots were fired at them from the apartment. They backed out and two males exited the apartment. Officers identified themselves and the males pointed guns. One officer fired 3 times at one of the perpetrators who fled to the roof where he had encountered another officer who fired 7 times. The perpetrator fled down the stairs.

January 19, 1998

46 Pct.

4X12

Lobby

Two undercover officers entered the lobby of a building after a successful "buy" in order to arrest the perpetrators. When the officers entered the lobby they signaled to the apprehension team (consisting of three members of the service) to move in. As the officers approached they heard numerous shots fired and observed one of the undercover officers lying on the ground, shot. The perpetrator who had fired at the officer ran up the stairs with MOS in pursuit. The perpetrator was found DOA, shot 2 times. One officer fatally wounded. One officer was shot in rear pocket, however, was not injured due to a department radio in pocket which deflected the bullet.

February 5, 1998

110 Pct.

12X8

Subway Station

MOS advised by a civilian of a male robbing a subway store. At the location the officers called a "10-85". When backup arrived the officers entered the store and observed an employee and an armed perpetrator struggling on the floor. The employee yelled that he was shot. Several officers jumped on the perpetrator who continuously struggled and would not release his weapon. One officer utilized pepper spray against the perpetrator with no effect. Another officer swung his PR-24 accidentally striking an overhead light fixture which shattered causing live wires to shock some of the nearby officers. This caused the officers to lose control of the perpetrator who then pointed gun at officers. Six MOS fired 27 times killing the perpetrator.

1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT**February 7, 1998**

32 Pct.

12X8

Street

Street Crime Unit officers on patrol in an unmarked vehicle heard several rounds being fired. The officers observed a crowd quickly dispersing. As they approached the location the officers observed a male with a gun engaged in a verbal altercation with another male. The male with the gun then shot the other individual. Street Crime officers identified themselves whereby the perpetrator fired 1 round at the MOS. One MOS fired 4 times, the other MOS fired 10 times. The perpetrator died. A civilian had also been shot in the leg by the perpetrator.

February 27, 1998

50 Pct.

8X4

Apartment Hallway

Officers assigned to Bronx Central Narcotics were executing a search warrant and using a battering ram to gain access to an apartment. As the door collapsed a male in the apartment fired one shot at the officers. One of the officers heard the shot "whiz" by his head and he dropped the battering ram and fell backwards. Four other officers returned 24 shots with no hits. The perpetrator surrendered.

April 14, 1998

75 Pct.

4X12

Street

Officers assigned to Target Offenders Program observed a group of males in a parking lot. As the officers approached the area one of the males observed the officers and removed himself from the others. Officers followed him and while doing so observed two other males enter into a gunfight. MOS ordered the two males to drop their guns. One of them fired at the officers. Officers returned fire (one MOS firing 1 shot the other 3 shots). The perpetrator dropped his weapon and fled into a nearby building leaving a trail of blood. The perpetrator escaped.

April 21, 1998

60 Pct.

12X8

Street

Three officers responded to a "10-10", suspicious males. At the location they observed a white van parked with three males inside and the rear door was ajar. One of the officers directed the suspects to exit the van. At that point, one of the males displayed a gun and fired 3 shots at the officers. Three MOS fired 12 times at the suspects who escaped in the van. It was reported that numerous vehicles in the area had been broken into, as well as parts removed.

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May 26, 1998

67 Pct.

8X4

Apartment

Two MOS assigned to warrant execution entered a location where a female stated that the "wanted" person was not there. The officers proceeded upstairs to an above apartment and were informed that there was a hiding place in the downstairs closet. The officers re-entered the first apartment to check the closet. The female grabbed one of the officers from behind and a male perpetrator removed MOS' gun from her holster and fired at one of the officers hitting him several times. Officers fired 5 shots killing the male. One MOS was fatally wounded.

June 15, 1998

10 Pct.

12X8

Car Stop

Two Street Crime officers initiated a car stop. As the officers approached the vehicle the operator of the vehicle backed up and an occupant from inside the vehicle discharged a shot. Two MOS fired 1 round each. The vehicle drove off and struck both officers causing minor injuries. The officers pursued the perpetrators and three arrests were effected.

June 25, 1998

75 Pct.

Off duty

Street

An off duty police officer walking on the street heard steps behind him and observed a male adjust something in his waist. He then noticed another male, known to him, with a gun in hand. The male yelled confrontational words and raised a gun at the officer. The officer drew his weapon and fired 16 rounds and was met with gunfire from the perpetrator. At this point, the officer noticed a female and a small child. The child was grabbed by the perpetrator and was used as a shield. The officer reloaded his weapon refraining from returning fire and observed the perpetrator release the child and fled with the officer in pursuit. The officer heard gunshots and observed the first male he had confronted who began to shoot at the officer who returned fire. The officer turned in an attempt to maintain sight of the other perpetrator. Having lost sight of the perpetrators the officer returned to an area where he called for assistance. One of the perpetrators was arrested.

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July 6, 1998
Hostage Situation

94 Pct.

8X4

Commercial Building

Officers responded to a radio run of a "male armed with a gun holding a female hostage." At the location two officers went to a second floor office and knocked on a door, identifying themselves. The female hostage screamed, "he's got a gun to my head." The officers then heard a shot and observed two females running from another office. One officer escorted the females to safety. A few minutes later, the perpetrator fired 3 shots in the office. One of the officers fired 4 shots through the door. The perpetrator fired 2 more times; 1 shot to the female he was holding and then to his own head, committing suicide. The hostage succumbed to a gunshot to the head.

July 21, 1998

90 Pct.

4X12

Street

A police officer on foot patrol observed six people run by him and was told that across the street was a male who had a gun. The officer went to the location, identified himself and ordered the male to drop the gun. The perpetrator backed up and fired 2 times at the officer. The officer returned 4 shots. The perpetrator ran into a building, threw the gun to the ground and came out with his hands raised.

July 26, 1998

120 Pct.

4X12

Street

Two uniformed officers assigned to Patrol Borough Staten Island Housing Unit were on patrol when they observed a male wanted in connection with a past homicide. The perpetrator walked to the van the officers were sitting in, and fired 1 round into the van hitting one of the officers in the head. The other officer fired 1 round at perpetrator who fled the scene. The perpetrator was later apprehended. The officer succumbed to the injury five days after the incident.

July 29, 1998

79 Pct.

12X8

Street

Officers on patrol observed two males in the street with one male firing at the other. The male who fired the weapon jumped on his bicycle and rode away. As he was fleeing, the officers identified themselves and pursued in their R.M.P. A short distance away, the officers exited the R.M.P. and began to chase the perpetrator on foot. The perpetrator stopped and fired several rounds at the officers and one officer fired 1 round. The perpetrator fled.

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August 8, 1998 73 Pct. Off duty Street

An off duty undercover officer while walking, passed by two males who were engaged in a verbal/physical altercation. The officer looked back and observed the two males pointing guns in his direction. The officer stated that shots were fired in his direction and he returned 3 rounds. The perpetrators escaped. One civilian who was the victim of a robbery by the perpetrators was shot in the arm by one of the perpetrators.

September 16, 1998 6 Pct. 4X12 Street

Anti crime officers observed a male who had robbed a parking garage and fired at two civilians, hitting one in the knee. One officer exited the vehicle and pursued the perpetrator on foot while the other officer followed in the vehicle. He, too, exited the vehicle and both officers approached the perpetrator who fired 2 rounds. The officers returned fire shooting 6 rounds striking the perpetrator 3 times.

September 17, 1998 79 Pct. 4X12 Street

An MOS assigned to Emergency Service Unit for a joint operation with the Drug Enforcement Task Force in the apprehension of suspects as part of a sting operation, encountered four perpetrators who entered a building while two others remained in a parked vehicle. The perpetrators entered the building to steal cocaine using a key which was supplied by a confidential informant. Once inside they broke into a locked closet. As the perpetrators removed the cocaine they engaged a distraction device. One of the perpetrators at the front door fired 4 shots at the apprehension team. The ESU officers returned 37 rounds, hitting the perpetrator and fatally wounding him. Five others were arrested.

October 7, 1998 77 Pct. 12X8 Street

Two detectives from the apprehension team were conducting surveillance for a perpetrator wanted for a past homicide. The officers observed a male who appeared to be in possession of a firearm. Exiting their van, they approached the male and another male opened fire. The officers drew their weapons and returned fire. One officer fired 14 rounds and reloaded. He continued to chase the perpetrator who continued pointing his gun. The perpetrator ran into a building and locked the door. One of the officers broke the glass on the door to enter. The officer again reloaded. After a search of the building the perpetrator was found shot and injured in the basement of the building.

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October 15, 1998 52 Pct. 4x12 Apartment Hallway

Street Crime Unit officers observed suspicious male who noticed the officers and ran into a building. The officers pursued the perpetrator who attempted to close the apartment door before the officer could reach him. The officer pointed his weapon into the apartment and the perpetrator grabbed the top of the gun. The officer pulled the gun away as the perpetrator fired his weapon. The officer returned fire. The perpetrator fired again. The officer fired another round as he gained access to the apartment and placed three perpetrators under arrest.

October 21, 1998 79 Pct. 12X8 Apartment Hallway

Officers responded to a radio run of disorderly youths. At the location the officers observed a male exit a building and, upon seeing the officers, duck back into the building. As the officers pursued the male into the building they heard 2 shots fired. Looking upward they noticed the male leaning over the banister with his gun pointed at them. One of the officers fired 1 shot at the perpetrator. The perpetrator fled the scene. After a search of the building the officers heard noise emit from one of the apartments and proceeded to knock on the door. A male let the officers in to search the apartment where a weapon was found and the perpetrator was identified and later arrested.

November 11, 1998 71 Pct. 4X12 Street

After a "buy and bust" operation a description of a perpetrator was transmitted. Undercover officers proceeded to the location where a perpetrator was last seen. As they were driving, one of the officers requested that the vehicle move towards the curb. As he exited the vehicle he encountered a male and words were exchanged and for no apparent reason, an armed confrontation ensued. The perpetrator fired 1 round at the officer who returned fire. Both officers fired 8 rounds at the perpetrator. Perpetrator fled on foot and was apprehended. One of the officers was shot in the arm and shoulder.

November 27, 1998 114 Pct. 4X12 Street

An off duty police officer was driving in his private vehicle with his fiancée. He observed a male with a gun chasing a group of people. The male fired several rounds at the fleeing group. The officer exited the vehicle and pursued the male. The officer identified himself and ordered the perpetrator to drop his weapon. The perpetrator turned and fired 2 shots at the officer. The officer fired 4 rounds striking the perpetrator once in the groin.

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December 1, 1998 71 Pct. 4X12 Gas Station

An off duty detective was in a gas station pumping gas and observed four males enter the station and engage in a heated discussion. One male pulled a gun and began to chase one of the other males. As the other male walked away, the male with the gun fired several rounds. The detective took cover and identified himself at which time the male approached him and fired 1 round at the officer. The detective fired 1 round and his weapon, a .380 Browning, jammed. As he cleared the weapon the perpetrator fled. The perpetrator was later found shot in his right foot.

December 12, 1998 71 Pct. 12X8 Street

Officers on patrol heard shots fired and observed two males exchanging gunshots. The officers exited their vehicle and identified themselves. One of the males fled the scene; however, the other male turned and pointed his weapon in the direction of the officers and fired 1 time. One officer returned 1 round. The perpetrator dropped his weapon and was arrested.

December 22, 1998 113 Pct. 4X12 Backyard

Officers on patrol received a radio run, "10-10" - three suspicious males. The officers, at the location, observed a vehicle being driven erratically. The officers followed the vehicle and observed said vehicle strike a parked automobile. Three of the four occupants fled from the vehicle with one of the officers in pursuit. The other officer removed the remaining occupant from the vehicle. One of the males who were being pursued by one of the officers fled into a backyard and fired 5 shots at the officer. The officer returned 6 rounds, fatally, striking the perpetrator.

December 27, 1998 69 Pct. Off duty Street

Two off duty MOS were in their private vehicle when they observed two males armed with guns standing over three males lying on the ground. The officers heard a shot and exited the vehicle to take cover. The MOS identified themselves as one of the perpetrators fired at them. One officer returned 1 round at which time the perpetrator fled. The other officer was summoning assistance via cell phone. When responding officers arrived, a search was conducted and one male was apprehended. The officers had interrupted an armed robbery in which one civilian had been shot by one of the perpetrators.

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***Members of the Service
Saved by Bullet Resistant Vests
1998***

Since 1978 there have been a total of 77 Officers saved by their bullet resistant vest. Among that number are the following:

***Sergeant Dexter Brown
Brooklyn North Narcotics***

Another member of the service hit the sergeant in back of vest. Sergeant Brown was also hit under the vest twice. He suffered flesh wounds only.

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***Sergeant Michael Barreto
115 Precinct***

While inside a station house Sergeant Barreto was stabbed in the back with a screwdriver by an emotionally disturbed person.

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***Detective James Conneely
47 Precinct Detective Squad
Mistaken Identity***

Another member of the service who thought the noise he heard was a perpetrator accidentally shot the detective. The detective was shot in the chest suffering blunt trauma injury.

1998 FIREARMS DISCHARGE ASSAULT REPORT

Analysis of Shots Fired By M.O.S.
1998

Incident	# MOS Involved	# MOS Shooters	# MOS NON Shooters	# Shots Fired	# Hits	% Hit Potential
Gunfights	55	47	8	259	66	25%
Defense of Self / Others	110	103	7	270	91	34%
Dogs	105	102	3	234	145	62%
Accidental Discharges	55	55	0	61	19	31%
Assaults	112	0	112	0	0	N/A
Domestic	1	1	0	1	1	100%
Intoxicated	4	3	1	14	0	0
Mistaken I.D.	2	1	1	1	1	100%
At Vehicle	1	1	0	2	0	0
Attempted Suicide	1	1	N/A	1	1	N/A
Suicide/Homicide	3	2	1	11	10	N/A
Suicide	2	2	0	2	2	N/A
Totals:	451	318	133	866	336	39%