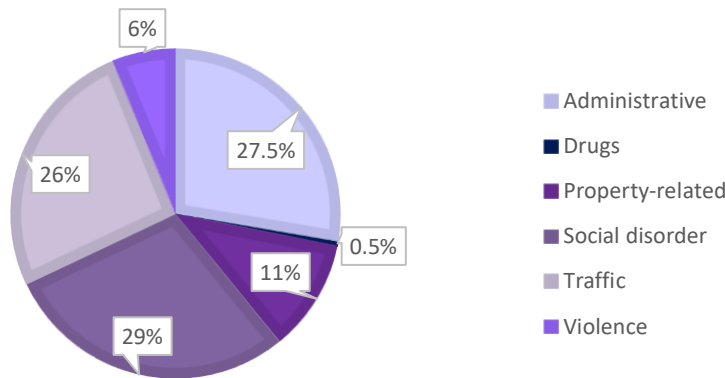




The police respond to a range of issues, both criminal and social. Understanding the types of calls police respond to during the year, can help us to identify the kinds of issues that are most prominent in the community and how policing resources are being used. These data will somewhat differ from the UCR data reported to Statistics Canada, because much of what the police respond to is not crime related. However, these findings still provide important information about police activity in Brantford.

BRANTFORD POLICE ACTIVITY (CALLS FOR SERVICE AND RECORDED INCIDENTS), 2022



This pie chart shows the breakdown of calls for service to the Brantford Police Service in 2022. Here we see that social disorder accounts for the majority (29%) of these calls/incidents. Administrative calls/incidents account for approximately 28% of all calls/incidents and Traffic accounts for approximately 26%. However, the kinds of issues we often worry about most (ex. violence, property-related and drugs) only account for 17% of call calls/incidents.

In 2022 the Brantford Police Service recorded approximately 46,000 calls and incidents. This is up slightly from the eight year average (2015-2022) of approximately 45,000.

These percentages are fairly consistent with the average breakdown of calls for service/incidents in Brantford between 2015 and 2022. For example, social disorder generally accounts for 27% of all calls and incidents to the Brantford Police Service, as does traffic. Approximately 25% of all calls/incidents are administrative, 13% are property-related, 6.5% are violence, and 0.5% are drugs.

Certain call and incident types account for a large proportion of these calls. Here we have highlighted the top five call/incident types for each category in 2022 and the percentage of that category accounted for by that each call/incident type.

Table 1: Top five calls/incidents to Brantford Police Service by category type, 2022

	1	2	3	4	5
Social disorder	Unwanted persons or commercial property (6.7%)	Subject identified at a commercial property (5.3%)	Subject not identified at residential property (5.3%)	Subject not identified at commercial property (5.1%)	Unwanted person at residential property (4.9%)
Administrative	Wellbeing check (22.8%)	Medical service (9.6%)	Fail to appear in court (5.9%)	Assist other service (4.6%)	Federal warrant (4.1%)
Traffic	Vehicle stop – charge (39.6%)	Vehicle stop – warning (16.8%)	Motor vehicle collision – property damage (8.4%)	Driving complaint (6.7%)	Highway motor vehicle collision (5.7%)
Property-related	Shoplifting – theft under (10.6%)	Commercial property alarm (10.6%)	Theft from motor vehicle-under \$5000 (7.1%)	Commercial property theft-under \$5000 (7.0%)	Residential property theft-under \$5000 (5.6%)
Violence	Verbal argument - no clear aggressor (30.4%)	Domestic – child-parent – no reasonable grounds (12.7%)	Assault level one (9.5%)	Domestic dispute – male suspect – female victim (8.2%)	Utter threats to cause bodily harm or death (3.8%)
Drugs	Found drugs (38.32%)	Possession (31.7%)	Accidental overdose (10.5%)	Drugs (7.9%)	Possession for the purpose of trafficking (6.1%)

While some of these call/incident types might be surprising, they also suggest that much of the issues driving each category type are not directly crime related.