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MSP Forensic Science Division

- Statewide forensic science service provider
- **Seven laboratory locations**
 - Lansing
 - Grand Rapids
 - Metro Detroit
 - Northville
 - Bridgeport
 - Grayling
 - Marquette
- **Services provided**
 - Biology/DNA
 - Toxicology/Blood Alcohol
 - Latent Prints
 - Firearms/Toolmarks
 - Controlled Substances
 - Trace/Materials
 - Breath Alcohol
 - Crime Scene Response
- ISO 17025:2017/AR 3125 accreditation
- Continuously accredited since 1984
- 288 staff members (Civilian/Enlisted)



MSP-FSD Metrics

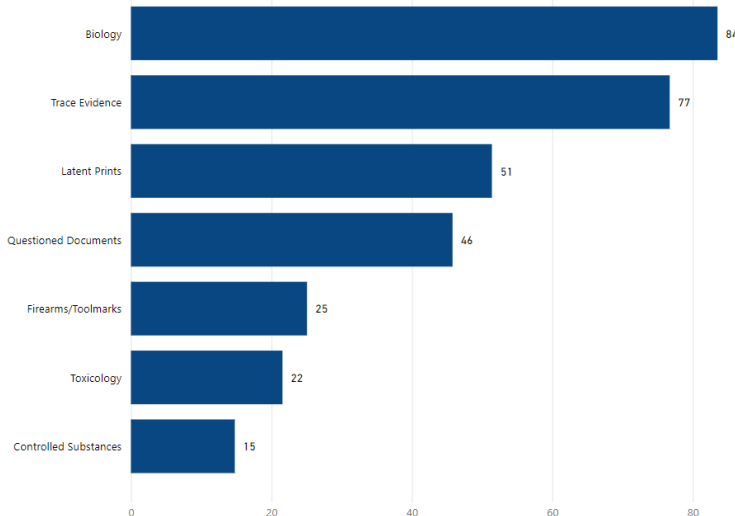


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Average Turnaround Time

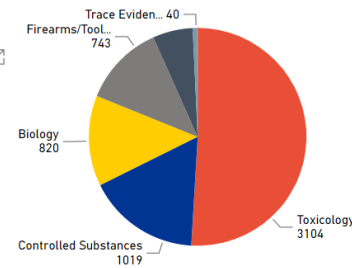
6,093
Completed Cases

| Crime Type | Current Backlog |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Non-Violent Crimes | 5554 |
| Violent Crimes | 1003 |
| Total | 6557 |

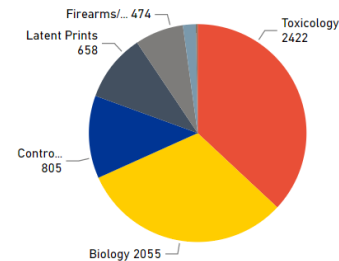
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Service Requests Completed



Current Backlog



- 77,000 cases analyzed per year
- ~\$55M annual budget
- Turnaround time trends around 31 days division-wide
- Unique structure with two distinct promotional paths-Operational/Quality
 - Equal authority

Michigan Task Force on Forensic Science

- Gov. Whitmer signed EO 2021-04 establishing the Task Force on Forensic Science to study the potential establishment of a Forensic Science Commission.
- Objectives
 - “Must do the following”:
 - Review that state of forensic science in Michigan.
 - Complete work by December 31, 2022.
 - “May” do the following:
 - Develop recommendations to improve the practice, delivery, and use of forensic science in Michigan.
 - Develop recommendations to strengthen forensic science methodologies and practices in the state.
 - Develop recommendations for statewide protocols for disclosure of negligence or misconduct by employees at forensic science providers.

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- Develop recommendations for a process allowing members of the public to report alleged professional negligence or misconduct related to the practice or use of forensic science.
- Develop recommendations for best practices for individuals who practice or apply forensic science in the criminal justice system.
- Develop recommendations for a procedure for updating stakeholders on developments in forensic science.
- Develop recommendations for a post-conviction notification procedure to notify parties affected by misconduct, negligence, or misapplication of forensic science.
- Provide other information or advice or take other actions as requested by the governor

