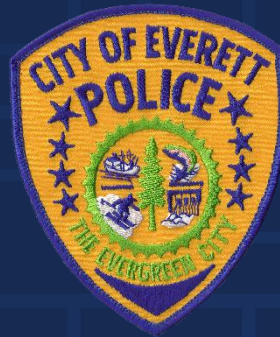


City Council Public Safety Briefing

August 17, 2022



OVERVIEW

- Firearms and violent crime
- Drugs and homelessness
- Crime data
- Police role
- Regional Mayors Public Safety Initiative



FACTORS IMPACTING CRIME

- Pandemic
- Fentanyl
- Firearms
- State law changes
- Other?



Crimes Against Persons

- “Violent Crime”
- On the rise, pre-pandemic levels
- Shootings, guns
- Gang offenses increasing



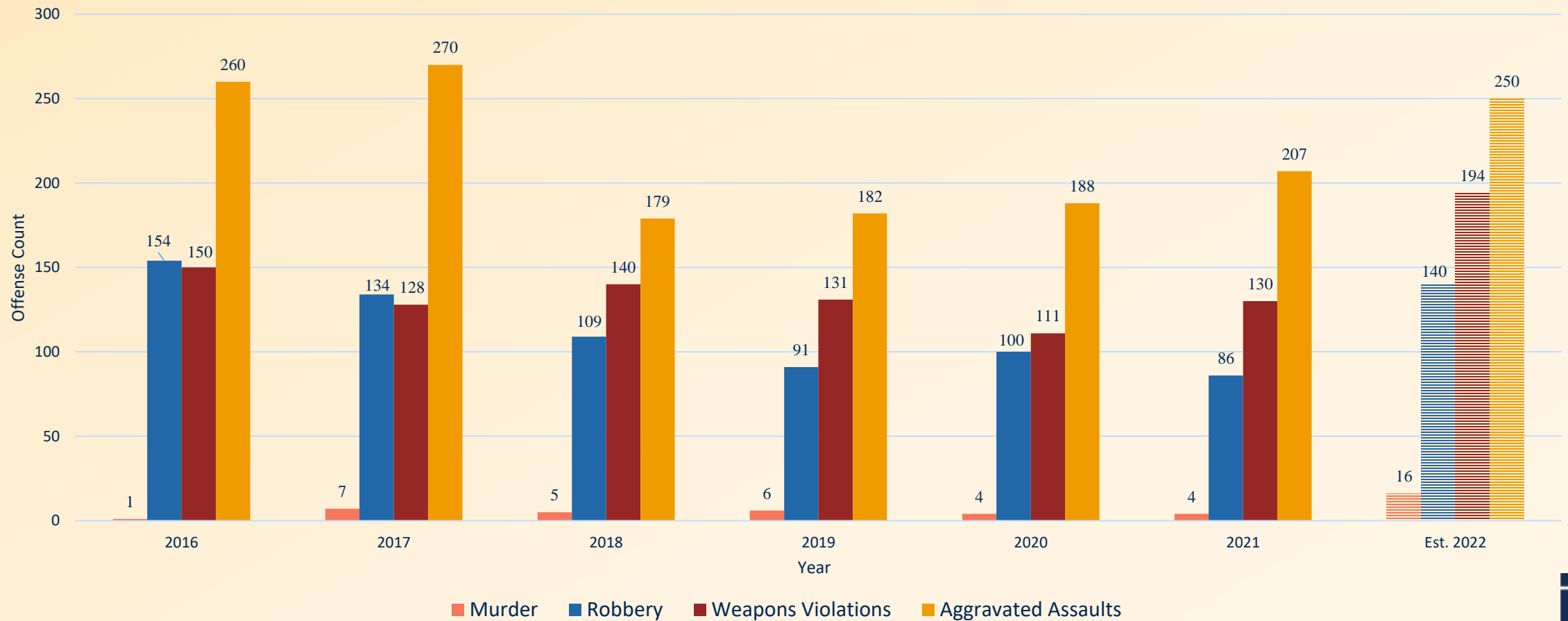
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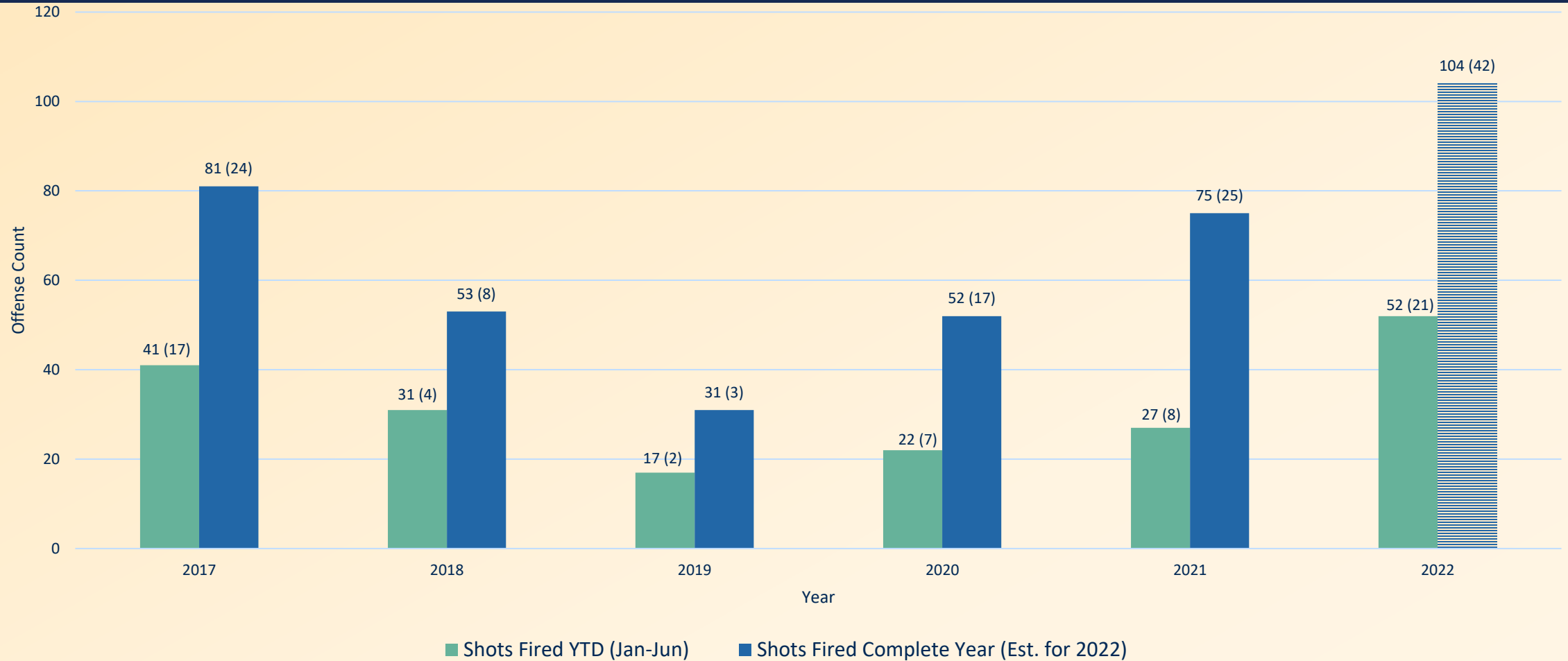
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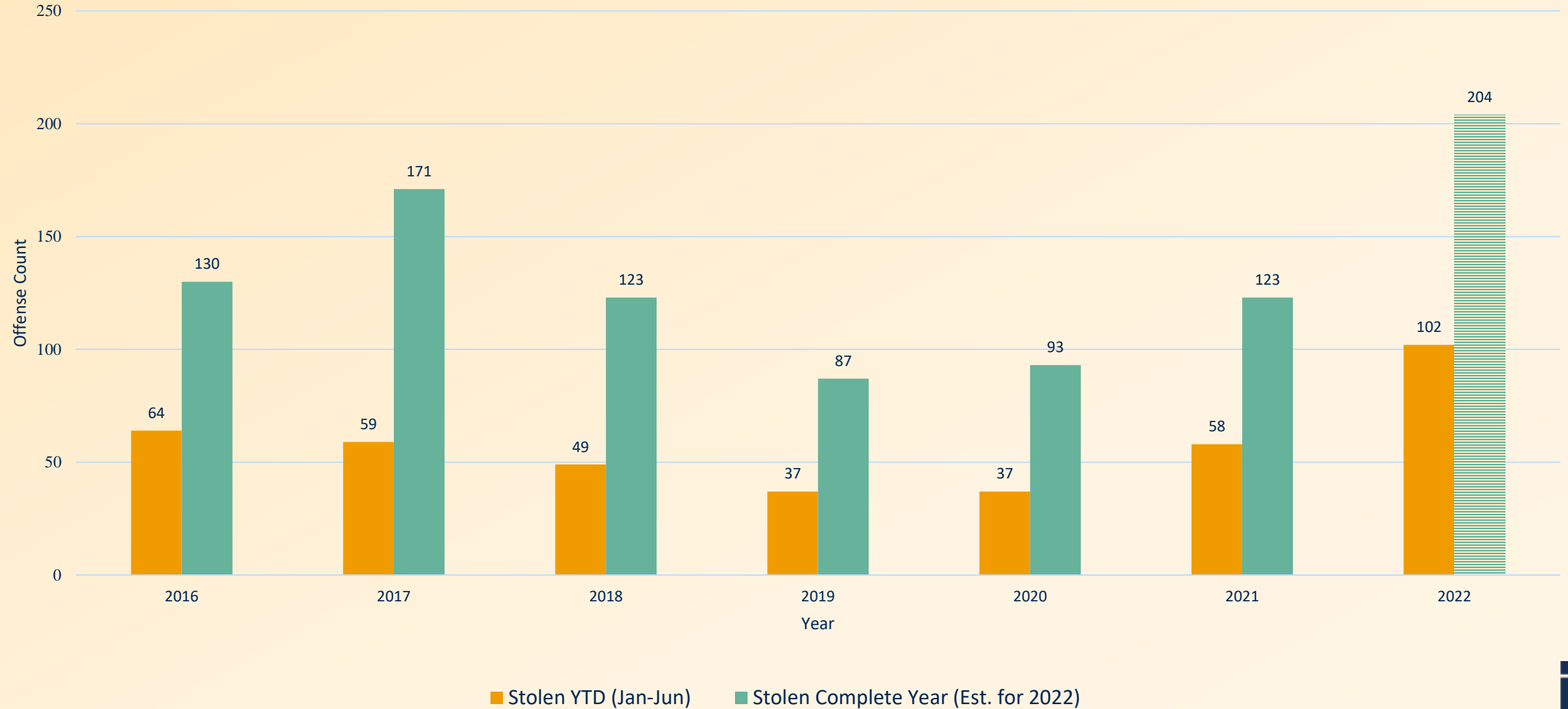
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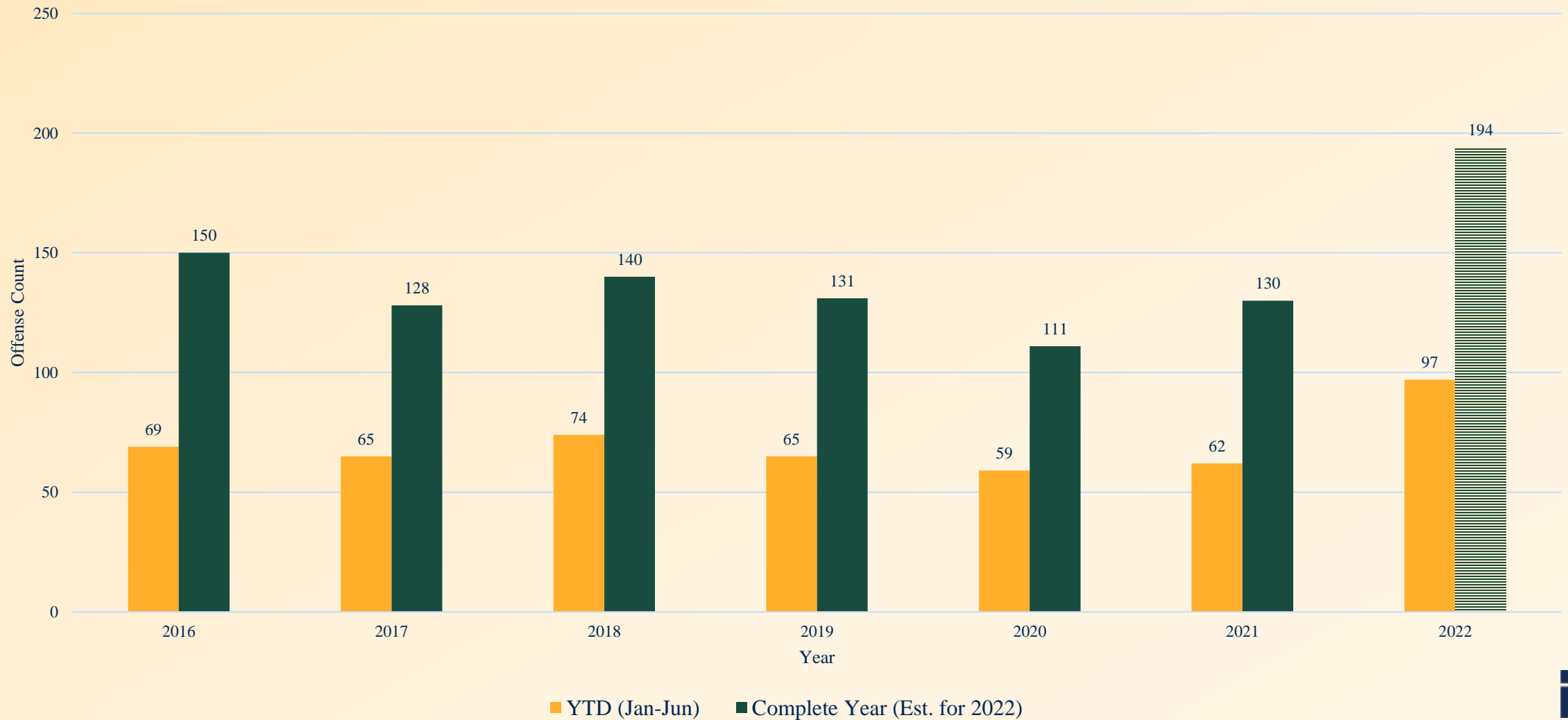
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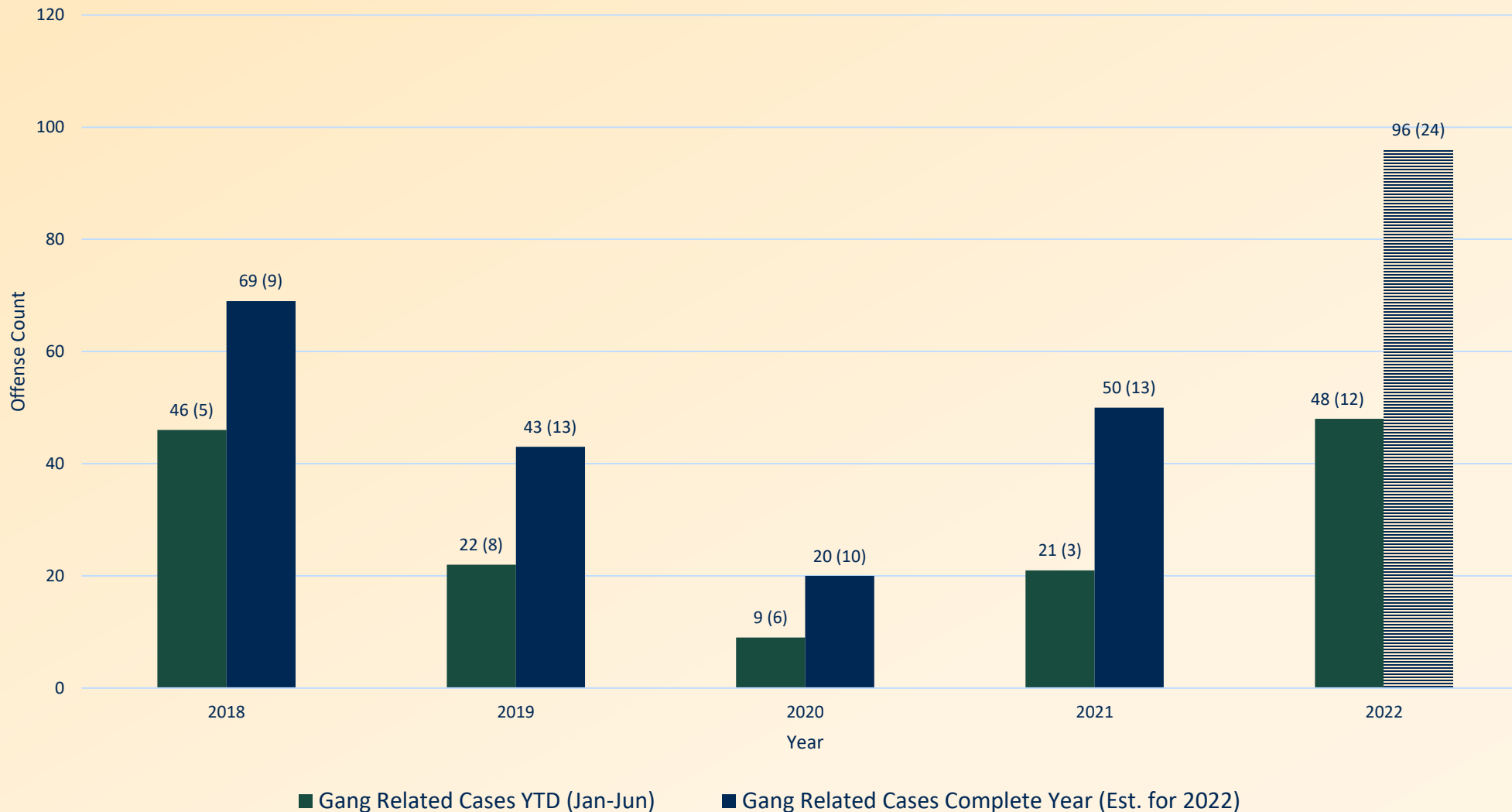
Stolen Firearms



Weapon Law Violations



Gang Related Cases



The counts in the graph are cases/incidents. The counts in parenthesis are the numbers of offenses reported to the FBI. Cases can have more than one offense. The FBI only requests information on eleven (11) specific offenses.

11 Offenses: Murder, Negligent Manslaughter, Kidnapping/Abduction, Robbery, Sexual Offenses (4), and Assault Offenses (3)



EPD Response

- Gang Response, Anti-Crime Units
- All Unlawful Possession of Firearm (UPF) cases are being assigned to an investigator
- All UPF cases to one prosecutor
- Exceptional bail requests – risk to community safety
- Extreme Risk Protection Orders
- National Integrated Ballistic Information Network



Challenges

- Stolen guns on the rise
- Notable increase in number of individuals contacted armed with guns
- Drugs
- Drug trafficking - firearms
- Court backlogs
- Repeat offenders, court releases
- Staffing issues – operating at 25%-50%



Strategy

- Continue to staff Anti-Crime and Gang Response Units as long as possible
- Continue special operations focusing on violent offenders
- Regional violent crime collaboration
- Guns for gift cards

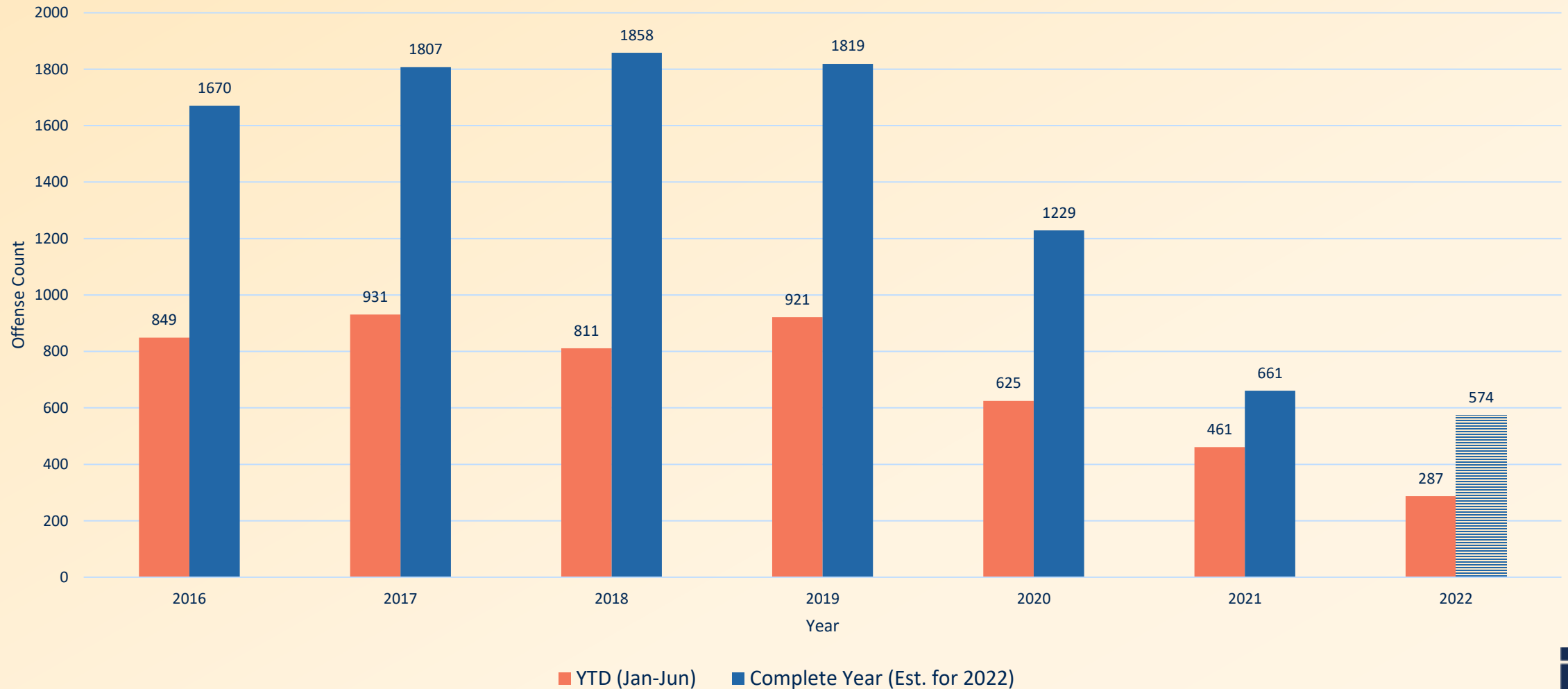


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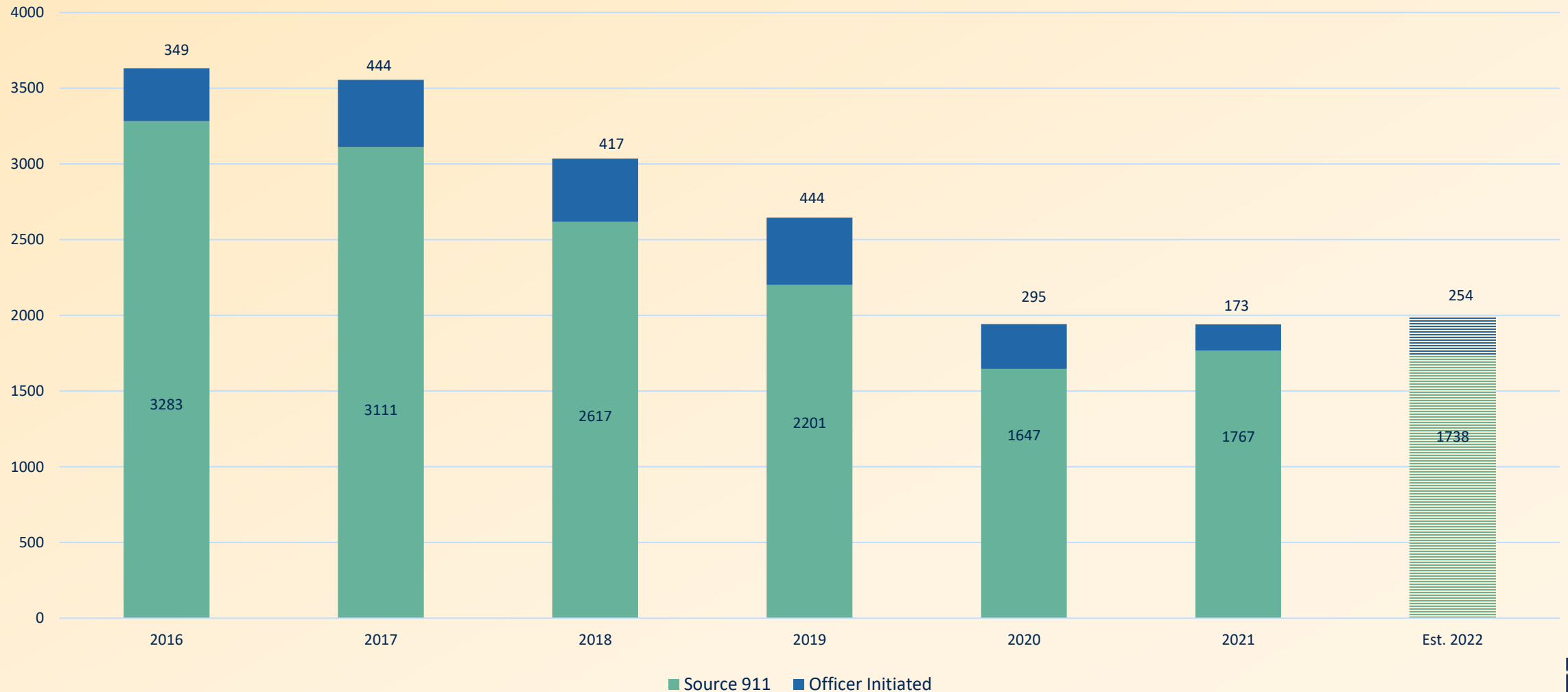
- Drugs
- Homelessness
- Behavioral health concerns
- Trespass
- Theft



Crime Against Society



Substance Abuse Calls for Service



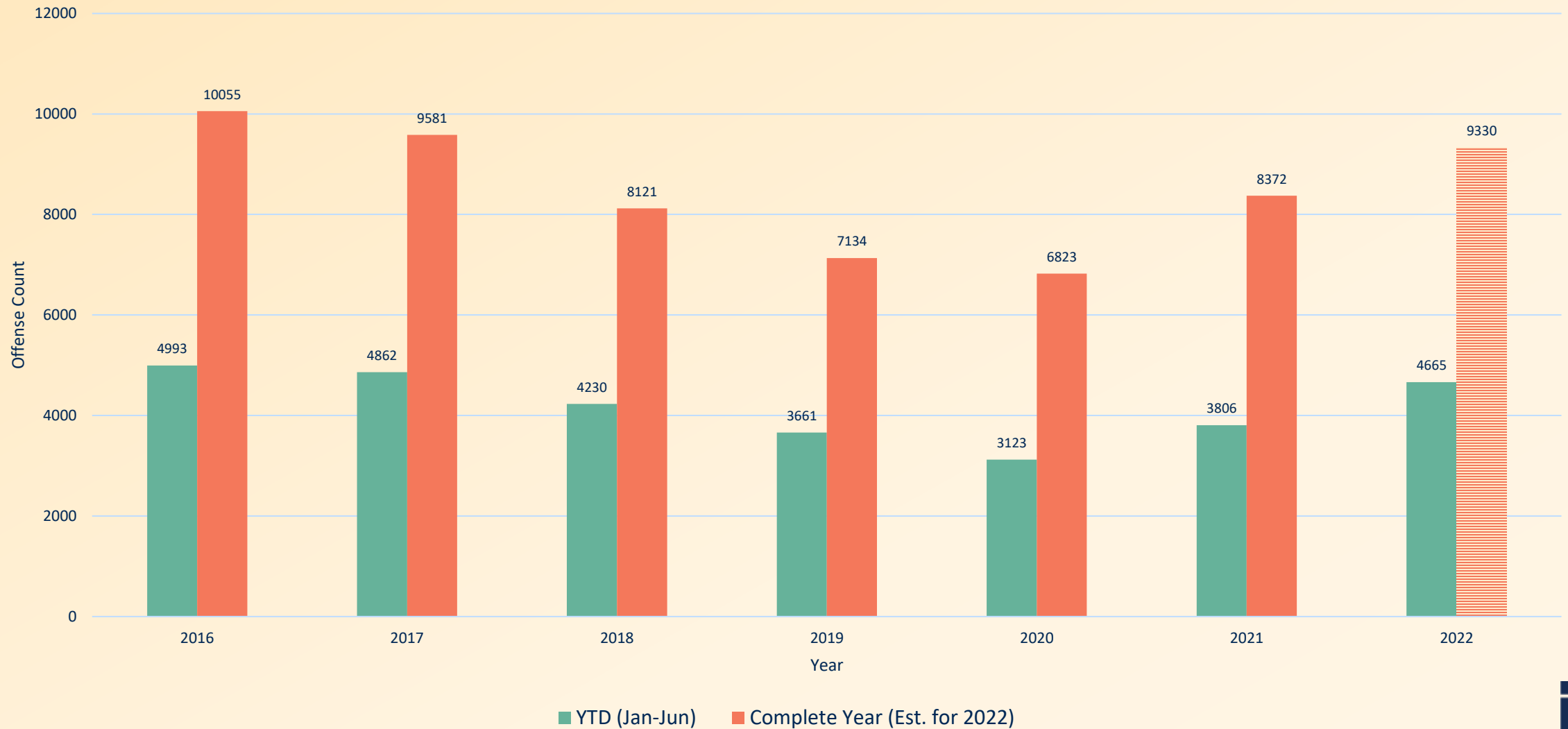
Drug/Narcotics Violation Offenses



Drug Equipment Violation Offenses

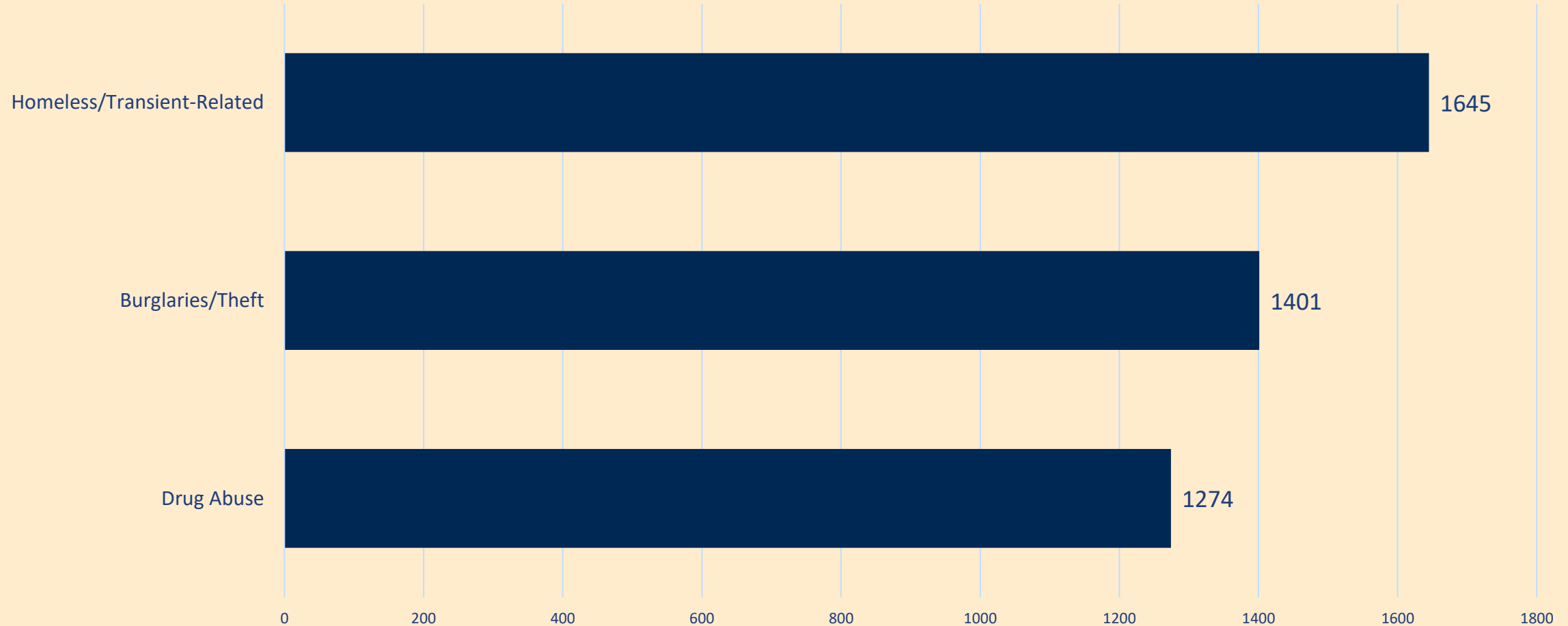


Crimes Against Property



Community Concerns in 2022

Results from SPIDRTech Survey



At the time these numbers were collected, there were 4,029 survey respondents.



EPD response

- More than 1,700 COET contacts (Jan-July, 2022)
- 12 LEAD referrals
- 18 clients to inpatient treatment, 26 to diversion center
- 31 clients placed in motels
- Over 35 clients placed in pallet shelters
- 80 arrests
- Special operations (Drug TF, SCSO & EPD)



Challenges

- Fentanyl
- State law
- Lack of treatment/detox/housing
- Lack of coordination among service providers (secondary impacts)
- Staffing issues (service providers, police)



Strategy

- Continue to staff COET
- Continue special operations
- Advocate for more timely access to treatment, shelter, resources
- Advocate for an effective fix to the Blake decision
- Alternate response, 988
- Advocate for accountability throughout criminal justice system



Accountability

- < Accountability leads to > in crime
- Accountability throughout the CJ system
- Law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, legislators
- All stakeholders must maintain accountability, or result will lead to increase crime and public safety issues
- Regional Mayors Public Safety Initiative Update

