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I. introduction

On December 30, 1980, Governor Graham appointed a special Task Force on the Assignment of Florida Highway Patrol Troopers to Miami. This Task Force consisted of the following members:

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This Tash force was charged with the responsibility of evaluating the impact of the Governor's decision to temporarily assign 100 Highway recommendations with Made area. They were also asked to meet and make recommendations with regards to extending the length of Trooper assign-
ment to a total of 90 days.
The Governor directed the Task Force to examine a variety of issues (See Appendix 1) Among the issues to be addressed was the impact of increased law enforcement in Dade County as measured by response time, citizen perceptions and other measures. The purpose of this survey is to assess the attitudes of citizens in the Dade/Miami area, other urban areas outside of Dade/Miami and rural areas of the State with regard to a number of enforcement questions. Of primary interest was citizen awareness of the Governor's decision to reassign 100 Highway Patrolmen to the Miami/Dade area. Likewise, information was sought on the perceived impact of that policy on citizens' satisfaction with law enforcement protection in their communities.

This survey should not be viewed as a rigorous scientific survey of the target communities. While systematic sampling procedures were used, the low number of respondents made the generation of a statistically representative sample impossible. An attempt was made in the Miami/Dade survey to obtain a sample that was representative of the racial composition of the Miami/Dade area. Other demographic variables such as the income, sex and age were not controlled. The survey tends to overrepresent women and the elderly. This fact should be taken into consideration when analyzing the results of this survey.
II. METHOOOLOGY
i. Miami-Dade County Sample

The Miami-Dade County survey utilized a systematic selection procedure to obtain random pages from the Greater Miami telephone book. Numbers were generally selected on a systematic basis from the sample pages. To obtain a representative sample of the Miami-Dade population,
increased effort was placed on obtaining Black and Hispanic respondents. Telephone prefixes that yielded clack respondents
during the first few days of the survey were purposely selected by one interviewer in an attempt to increase the percentage of Black respondents in this survey. When it was noted that Hispanic respondents were being under-represented, one interviewer was instructed to call individuals with Spanish surnames. The Miami/Dade survey contains 382 completed interviews. The following table shows the actual racial composition of the Miami/Dade County area and the racial composition of the survey population:

| 1 Composition $\frac{\text { Table }}{}$ - Miami/Da |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underset{\sharp}{A_{1}+t u a l}$ | $\stackrel{\square}{0}$ | Survey |  |
| White | 755,000 | 47.9\% | 189 | 49.5 |
| Black | 260,000 | 16.5\% | 68 | 17.8 |
| Hispanic | C 560,000 | 35.6 \% | 123 | 32.2 |
| Other | 7,575,000 | $\frac{0 \%}{100.0 \%}$ | $\frac{2}{382}$ | 0.5 |

As can be seen from Table 1, the Miami/Dade survey closely paralleled the actual racial population of the Miami/Dade area. Whites are overrepresented in the survey and Hispanics are underrepresented Due to the compressed time frame for completing this survey, the com piling of a sudtistically representative sample was not possible However, due to racial similarity between the actual Miami/Dade County population and the sample popuiation, this survey is believed to be a fairly accurate representation with regard to Miami/Dads County's racial composition.

This survey overrepresents women ( $58.6 \%$ ) in the Miami/Dade survey. Females represent 53.3 噐 of Uade County's population. The elderly are also overrepresented by this survey. Of all Dade County residents,
16. 3 \% are 65 years of age or older. The elderly constitute $20.7 \%$ of the Miami/Dade survey respondents.

No attempt was made to assess the validity or reliability of the survey questions. An effort was made to word all questions as clearly and concisely as possible. Proper sequencing of questions was also deemed important. (See Appendix 2 for copy of survey instrument) Opinion questions ( $H-R$ ) were asked first and the more personal demographic characteristics questions followed. Certain opinion questions (Questions H, I, and J) were used in a previous telephone victimization study that was sponsored by the Police Foundation.

## 2. Urban/Rural Florida Survey

In order to compare citizen attitudes in the Miami/Dade area with other areas of the state, two urban and four rural cities were chosen to be surveyed. In selecting target cities, an attempt was made to obtain a geographical mix that would be reflective of Florida's actual population. Rural survey cities all had populations of less than 20,000 respondents. The following cities were included in this survey:

Table 2
Type of City $\quad$ Location Numbei $\operatorname{\text {UfIndividualsSurveyed}}$

| Urban | Jacksonvilice |
| :--- | :--- |
| Urban | Tampa |
| Rural | Crestview |
| Rural | Lake Wales |
| Rural | Belle Glade |
| Rural | Palatka |

Numper of Individuals Surveyed
107
101
50
59
51
49

Pages were selected from each city's telephone directory by using a systematic sampling procedure. Telephone numbers were also selected from sample pages on a systematic basis. Telephone numbers
were called during afternoon and evening hours. The survey was conducted during a period from Thursday, January 22, 1981, through Monday, January 26, 1981.

## III. RESULTS

Survey data has been aggregated into three categories according to the geographic location of the respondents. The Miami/Dade respondents are included in one category; the responses from Tampa and Jacksonville are combined into an 'other urban' category; and the responses from Belle Glade, Crestview, Lake Wales and Palatka have been combined into a 'rural' category.

The demographic data presented in the following section represents a summary of responses from all survey sites. Differences between the total survey results and those from the Mianii/Dade sample are mentioned in the narrative which follows each table.

The opinion question responses are displayed in one of four categories: Miami/Dade, Other Urban, Rural and Total Survey. Percentages are reported in most instances to facilitate the analysis of survey data.

Responses to the questions regarding victimization were coded into either: property crime, personal crime or no crime. Those offenses reported by victims were further categorized into Part I or Part II crimes. Due to a lack of information with regard to specific offense, coding rules were developed to assure consistency of coding. However, designations of offenses as either Part I or Part II were quite arbitrary. Any analysis of the victimization data should take this weakness into account.

The final section of the report analyzes the degree of association between a number of demographic and opinion variables. The Chi-square
statistic was used to isolate statistically significant relationships between variables. Those cross-tabulations that were found to be significant at a .01 level or better are displayed in Appendix 3.

Data on indiviclual survey sites (except Miami/Dade) are not discussed in this report. Such data can be reviewed by interested parties by contacting the Bureau of Criminal Justice Assistance.

1. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA
A) Location of Respondents

Table 3
Respondent's Location

| Location | Respondent's Location |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Relative Freq (Pct) | Adjusted Freq (Pct) | Cum <br> Freq <br> (Pct) |
| Miami | 386 | 48.4\% | 48.4 | 48.4\% |
| Tampa | 101 | 12.7 | 12.7 | 61.1 |
| Jacksonville | 101 | 12.7 | 12.7 | 73.8 |
| Lake Wales | 59 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 81.2 |
| Crestview | 50 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 87.5 |
| Palatka | 49 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 93.6 |
| Belle Glade | 51 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 100.0\% |
| TOTAL | 797 | 100.0\% | 100.0 |  |

Conments: Approximately 48: of all survey respondents were frow the Miami/ Cade area. More respondents were sought from this area since the Governor's policy impacted most directly on the Miami/Dade area. Urban areas constituted 61.1 of all respondents.
B) Sex of Respondents


Comments: Approximately 59\% of all respondents were female. The overrepresentation of fellale respondents is believed due primarily to the fact that approximately half of the telephone calls were made
during working hours when women would more likely be at home than men
C) Age of Respondents

Table 5
Age of Respondents


Conments: The elderly were somewhat overrepresented in this sample. Approximately $20 \%$ of all respondents were 45 years of age or older. In the Miami/Dade sample 22.5" of respondents were elderly while the actual elderly population in the Miami/Dade area is $16.3 \%$. The overrepresentation of eme during working since the elderly are generally more likely to be which restricts their mobility since many are retired and/or have poor healt
D) Respondent's Length of Time at Current Address

Table 6
Time at Current Residence

| Length of Time | Number | Relative Freg (Pct) | Cum Freq (Pct) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Less Than One Year | 66 | 8.3', | 8.3" |
| 1 or 2 Years | 138 | 17.3 | 25.6 |
| 3 or 5 Years | 180 | 22.6 | 48.2 |
| 6 Years or Longer | 404 | 50.7 | 98.9 |
| No Response | 9 | 1.1 | 100.0\% |
| TOTAL | 797 | 100.0\% |  |

Comments: Slichtly more than on -half of all survey respondents lived at their current residence for 6 years or longer. The Miami/Dade survey showed a slightly lower percentage ( $47.4 \%$ ) of respondents that lived at their current address for 6 years or longer.
E) Race of Respondents

Table 7
Racial Composition of Respondents

| Race | Number | Relative Freq (Pct) | Cum <br> Freq (Pct) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| White | 519 | $65.7 \%$ | 65.1\% |
| Black | 129 | 16.2 | 81.3 |
| Hispanic | 133 | 16.7 | 98.0 |
| Other | 6 | 0.8 | 98.7 |
| No Response | $\frac{10}{797}$ | $\frac{1.3}{100.0 \%}$ | 100.0\% |

Comments: The total survey was made up of approximately two-thirds white respondents. The Miami/Dade portion of this survey had a higher proportion of Hispanics ( $32.2 \%$ ) and Blacks ( $17.8 \%$ ) than the total survey. The Miami/Dade survey was also closely representative composition of the Miami/Dade area (see Table 1).
F) Income of Respondents

Table 8
Total Family Income

| Family Income | Number | Relative <br> Freq <br> (Pct) | Cum <br> Freq |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Under $\$ 10,000$ | 122 | $15.3 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ |
| $\$ 10,000$ to $\$ 19,999$ | 148 | 18.6 | 33.9 |
| $\$ 20,000$ to $\$ 29,999$ | 125 | 15.7 | 49.6 |
| $\$ 30,000$ and Up | 130 | 16.3 | 65.9 |
| No Response - Don't Know 272 | 34.1 | $100.0 \%$ |  |
| TOTAL । | 797 | $-100.0 \%$ |  |

Comments: The Family Income of respondents was fairly equally distri-
 buted among income categories. The lyami/ome frequencies that are reported in Table 8 above.
2. OPINION RESPONSES
A) Opinion Question 1:

How safe do you feel or would you feel being out alone in your neighborhood AT NIGHT - very safe, reasonably safe, somewhat unsafe, or very unsafe?

- Responses

Table 9
Safety At Night
(\% Responses)

| Location | Very Safe | Reasonably Safe | Somewhat Unsafe | Very Unsafe | Don't Know/ No Opinion | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | 10.4\% | 34.5\% | 26.2\% | 28.2\% | 0.8\% | 100\% |
| Other Urban | 25.7 | 47.0 | 13.9 | 11.4 | 2.0 | 100\% |
| Rural | 23.2 | 44.0 | 11.0 | 16.3 | 0.5 | 100\% |
| Total Sample | 18.9\% | 40.2\% | 19.1\% | 20.8\% | 1.0\% | 100\% |

- Comments - A wide disparity exists between the Miami respondents and the respondents from both the other urban and rural areas of the state. Dver one-half ( $54.4 \%$ ) of the Mianil/Dade county respondents reported feeling urban respondents felt unsafe at night while $27.3 \%$ of rural respondents felt unsafe at night.
B) Opinion Question 2:

How about DURING THE DAY - how safe do you feel or would you feel being out alone in your neighborhood?

- Responses

Table 10
Safety During the Day

| Location | Very Safe | Reasonably <br> Safe | Somewhat <br> Unsafe | Very <br> Unsafe | Don't Know/ Opinion <br> No | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $30.3 \%$ | $45.3 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 63.9 | 30.2 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 59.9 | 31.9 | 5.3 | 2.4 | 0.5 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $46.5 \%$ | $38.0 \%$ | $10.1 \%$ | $5.0 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - As was the case with the "Fear at Night" question, Miami/ Dade respondents reported a higher degree of fear than did respondents romts reported feeling unsafe. during the day as compared with $6 \%$ for the respondents from other urban areas and approximately $8 \%$ for rural respondents.
C) Opinion Question 3:

Would you say, in general, that your local police are doing a good job, an average job, or a poor job?

- Responses

Table 11
Perception of Police Performance (\% Responses)

| Location | Good | Average | Poor | Don't Know/ | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $44.3 \%$ | $33.9 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ | $9.3 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 54.2 | 29.8 | 8.0 | 8.0 | $100.0 \%$ |
| Rural | 49.3 | 39.7 | 4.8 | 6.2 | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $48.1 \%$ | $34.4 \%$ | $9.3 \%$ | $8.2 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Comments - The Miami/Dade County respondents had slightly less conidence in police performance ( $78 \%$ good/average) than either the othe urban respondents ( $84 \%$ good/average) or rural respondents ( $89 \%$ good/ average).
D) Opinion Question 4

Would you say, in general, that Florida officials are concerned about the crime situation in your area - very concerned, reasonably concerned somewhat unconcerned or very unconcerned?

- Responses

Table 12
State Official Concern
(\% Responses)

| Location | Very <br> Concerned | Reasonably <br> Concerned | Somewhat <br> Unconcerned | Very <br> Unconcerned | No Opinion/ <br> Don't Know | T0TAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $33.0 \%$ | $37.7 \%$ | $15.6 \%$ | $7.2 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 26.4 | 52.7 | 11.9 | 2.5 | 6.5 | $100.0 \%$ |
| Rural | 27.8 | 48.3 | 10.0 | 2.9 | 17.0 | $100.0 \%$ |
| Total Sample | $29.9 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $13.2 \%$ | $4.9 \%$ | $7.7 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

- Comments - Survey results indicate that respondents from all survey 10 - Comments - Survey results indicate that respondents from all survey $10-$ While the Miami/Dade survey had a lower percentage of "concerned" responses $(70.5 \%)$, the difference from either the other urban sample ( $78.7 \%$ ) or the rural sample ( $76.0 \%$ ) was not great
E) Opinion Question 5

Did you know that Florida officials temporarily transferred 100 Florida Highway Patrolmen to Miami?

- Responses

Table 13
Awareness of FHP Reassignment (\% Responses)

| Location | Yes | No | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Miami/Dade | $89.6 \%$ | $10.4 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 85.0 | 15.0 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 80.4 | 19.6 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $86.0 \%$ | $14.0 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - Results from all survey locations show an extremely high degree of awareness of the decision to reassign 100 Highway Patrolmen degree of awareness of the decision to reassign the rural and other urban percentages were almost as high as those in the Miami/Dade portion of this study. These results tend to indicate a high degree of awareness statewide.
F) Opinion Question 6

In your opinion, what effect has the placement of additional Highway Patrolmen in Miami had on Miami's crime situation - Would has had a positive effect, negative effect or no effect?

- Responses


## Table 14

Impact of Patrolmen Policy (\% Responses

| Location | Positive <br> Effect | No <br> Effect | Negative <br> Effect | Don't Know/ <br> No Opinion | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $59.3 \%$ | $19.2 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 45.8 | 8.5 | 7.4 | 38.3 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 45.2 | 10.1 | 2.4 | 43.3 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $54.4 \%$ | $14.7 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $31.4 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

Comments - The majority in the Miami/Dade survey indicated that the reassignment of Miami crime situation. "Positive effect" was the most frequent response Miami crime siat urban' (45.8\%) and rural (45.2\%) categories. The next most frequent response for all categories was ' Don't know or No Opinion.' The high response rate for 'No Opinion/Don't Know' is under standable since the policy of reassigning Patrolmen has ontioneen that effect for approximately one month. Many respondents mention
it was simply 'too early to tell' the effect of this policy.
G) Opinion Question 7

As a result of the placement of an increased number of patrolmen in the Miami/Dade area, is your locality now receiving better law en
protection, worse protection or the same level of protection?

- Responses

Table 15
Impact of Policy on Local Protection (\% Responses)

| Location | Better <br> Protection | Same <br> Level | Worse <br> Protection | Don't Know/ <br> No Opinion | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $27.9 \%$ | $51.4 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 1.6 | 70.4 | 6.9 | 20.1 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 3.4 | 75.0 | 10.1 | 11.5 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $15.9 \%$ | $62.3 \%$ | $4.9 \%$ | $16.9 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - The majority of the Miami/Dade survey (59.3\%) indicated that the reassignment of Highway Patrolmen had no effect on law enforcement protection in the Miami/Dade area. Responses from the 'other urban' and 'rural' respondents were more likely than those in the Miami sample to View this policy as having 'no effect' on protection in their respective rated the impact as having a negative effect on local protection than did respondents in the Miami/Dade area. However, the percentage of negative responses in areas outside of Miami/Dade was quite low (other urban 6.9\% and rural $10.1 \%$.
H) Opinion Question 8

Do you believe that the control of local crime should be a responsibility of state government, local government or a shared responsibility?

- Responses

Table 16
Responsibility for Local Crime
(\% Responses)

| Location | State <br> Gov. | Local <br> Gov. | Shared <br> Responsibility | No Opinion/ <br> Don't Know | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $6.3 \%$ | $19.5 \%$ | $70.0 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 5.0 | 22.0 | 69.5 | 3.5 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 2.9 | 21.1 | 74.2 | 1.9 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $5.0 \%$ | $20.6 \%$ | $71.0 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - The most frequent response in all survey location categories was that the control of local crime should be a 'shared responsigories was that the control of local crime should be a shared respo response was that local government should be responsible for control of local crime.
I) Opinion Question 9

Should the State have specialized law enforcement manpower to assist local law enforcement agencies in times of need?
-Responses
Table 17
State Assistance for Local Agencies (\% Responses)

| Location | Yes | No | No Opinion/ <br> Don't Know | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $91.3 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 86.7 | 7.7 | 5.6 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 92.3 | 4.8 | 2.9 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $90.4 \%$ | $4.6 \%$ | $5.0 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - All responding locations strongly believed that the Stat should have specialized law enforcement manpower to assist local law enforcement agencies in times of need. 'Yes' responses ranged from a low of $86.7 \%$ in 'other urban' areas to a high of $92.3 \%$ in rural survey locations.
J) Opinion Question 10

Would you support an increase in state taxes to provide additional funds for law enforcement

- Responses

Table 18
Support for Tax Increase (\% Responses)

| Location | Yes | No | No Opinion/ <br> Don't Know | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $71.1 \%$ | $20.7 \%$ | $8.2 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 61.9 | 27.0 | 11.1 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 75.3 | 24.7 | 7.2 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $68.5 \%$ | $22.8 \%$ | $8.7 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

- Comments - Respondents in all survey location categories strongly supported an increase in state taxes to provide additional funds for law enforcement. 'Yes' responses ranged from a high of $75.3 \%$ in rural survey locations to $61.9 \%$ in 'Other Urban' survey locations. Omitting No Opinion/Don't Know responses yields an even higher percentage
positive responses: Miami/Dade $(77.5 \%)$, Other Urban $(69.6 \%)$, Rural ( $\left.75.3^{\circ}\right)^{\circ}$ ) and Total survey ( $75.0 \%$ ). Thus, three-fourths of all respondents that expressed a yes or no opinion supported an increase in state taxes for law enforcement purposes
K) Victimization Question

Have you or any member of your household been a victim of either a personal or property crime during the past 12 months.

- Responses

Table 19
Victim of Crime in Past 12 Months

|  | Yes Personal | Yes Property |  | Total Yes |  | No |  | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Location | \#1 \% | - 1 | \% | \#1 | \% | \#! | \% | \#1 | \% |
| Miami/Dade | 2015.2\% | 59 | 15.4\% | 79 | 20.5\% | 304 | 79.4\% | 383 | 100\% |
| Other Urban | 3.5 | 23 | 11.4 | 30 | 14.9 | 172 | 85.1 | 202 | 100\% |
| Rural | 411.9 | 18 | 8.6 | 22 | 10.5 | 187 | 89.5 | 2091 | 100\% |
| Total Survey | 59 3.9\% | 100 | 12.6\% | 131 | 16.4\% | 663 | 83.5\% | 794 | 100\% |

- Comments - Victimization percentages ranged from a high of $20.5 \%$ in the Miami/Dade survey location to a low of $10.5 \%$ in the rural survey location
category. Table 21 categorizes these crimes in terms and less-serious (Part 2).
L) Victimization Question 2

If yes, what was the offense?

- Responses

Table 20
Number of Offenses by Type


- Comments - Coding of survey victimization data was complicated by a lack of offense information reported by survey respondents. Coding rules were developed to assure that data was coded consistently.
M) Victimization Table 3

Table 21
Offenses by Type (Part 1, Part 2) (\% Responses)

| Location | Part 1 | Part 2 | TOTAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami/Dade | $81.0 \%$ | $19.0 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Other Urban | 78.6 | 21.4 | $100 \%$ |
| Rural | 52.4 | 47.6 | $100 \%$ |
| Total Survey | $74.1 \%$ | $25.9 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

Comments - Due to a lack of information on offenses, coding of offens data into categories of Part 1 and Part 2 crimes was quite arbitrary
However, coding rules assured that offenses were coded consistently between location categories. Table 21 indicates that the Miami/Dade survey location had a higher percentage of serious (Part 1) offenses than did the other reporting categories. However, urban areas (Miami included) were quite similar and had a considerably higher Part 1 percentage than did rural survey locations.
N) Victimization Question 3

If yes on victim question, was the offense reported (to law enforcement authorities)?

- Responses

Table 22
Reported Crime

|  | Yes |  | No |  | TOTAL |
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| Location | $\#$ | $\%$ | $\#$ | $\%$ | $\#$ |
| Miami/Dade | 48 | $77.4 \%$ | 14 | $22.6 \%$ | 62 |
| Other Urban | 18 | 66.7 | 9 | 33.3 | 27 |
| Rural | 17 | 81.0 | 4 | 1900 |  |
| Total Survey | 83 | $75.4 \%$ | 27 | $24.6 \%$ | 110 |

- Comments - Due to the low number of respondents who were victimized and responded to the question on reporting, caution is recommended when orming conclusions on the basis of this data. Table 22 indicates that question indicated that they did report the offense to reporting authorities.
IV. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

The Chi-Square statistic was used to isolate those demographic variables that were significantly related to other opinion questions. A significance level of .01 was chosen as a cut-off point for analysis.

Appendix 3 contains copies of computer cross-tabs for those variables with a significance level of .01 or better. Only those statistically significant relationships that appear to have practical significance and
relevance to this study will be discussed. Caution is urged in making any conclusions on the basis of the chi-square data that is presented in Appendix 3. Due to the low number of cases in certain cells and, in some cases the absence of cases in some cells, the level of statistical significance may be inaccurate. Further, collapsing of certain response value; is recommended before statements are made regarding statistical significance

1. Sex and Opinion Responses
A. Statewide Sample

Women in the total sample tended to feel less safe during the daytime ( $27.1 \%$ unsafe) than did men ( $11.0 \%$ ).
B. Miami/Dade Sample

Women in the Miami/Dade survey felt more unsafe being alone in their neighborhood at night than men. Approximately 60\% of women reported feeling unsafe compared to $48 \%$ of men.

Men in the Miarii/Dade survey tended to be more aware of the Highway Patrol reassignment policy ( $95.6 \%$ ) than dici, women in the same survey ( $85.3 \%$ ).
2. Racial Characteristics and Opinion Responses
A. Statewide Sample

In general more white respondents ( $90.2 \%$ ) tended to be aware of the Highway Patrol reassignment policy than did either black respondents $(77.5 \%$ ) or Hispanic respondents ( $78.8 \%$ ). Blacks were more likely to believe that State officials were unconcerned about local crime ( $30.8 \%$ ) than either white respondents ( $17.5 \%$ ) or llispanic respondents ( $15.5 \%$ ). Hispanic respondents are more likely to view the control of local crime as a State responsibility (12\%) than either whites ( $4 \%$ ) or blacks ( $4.1 \%$ ).
B. Miami/Dade Sample

Hispanics in the Miami/Dade sample tended to feel more unsafe in the daytime ( 38.2 ) than did either the white respondents ( $15 \%$ ) or black respondents ( $20.9 \%$ ). Blacks in the Miami/ Dade sample were less inclined to rate local police performance as 'good' (35\%) than were either Hispanic respondents ( $46.9 \%$ ) or white respondents $(57.1 \%)$. Blacks were more inclined to believe that State officials were unconcerned about crime in the Miami/Dade area ( $34.3 \%$ ) than either the white respondents ( $25.9 \%$ ) or the Hispanic respondents (14.7\%).

## 3. Age and Opinion Responses

A. Statewide Sample

Feeling unsafe during the daytime tended to increase with age in the statewide samples. Approximately $8 \%$ of the respondents in the 18-30 age group felt unsafe during the day compared to $24.8 \%$ of the respondents in the 65 years and older category.

Belief that the Highway Patrol reassignment policy has had a positive effect on Miami/Dade's crime situation tends to vary by the age of the respondent. The 46 years and older respondents tended to perceive the impact as being more positive ( $83 \%$ ) than those respondents between the age of 18 through 45 years of age (67\%).
B. Miami/Dade Sample

Respondents' feelings of safety at night tended to vary by age. Approximately $45 \%$ of those respondents between the ages of 18-30 felt unsafe at night. A large majority of elderily respondents ( $71 \%$ ) felt unsafe in their neighborhoods at night. The belief that State officials are concerned about local crime also
varies by age. A larger percentage of the younger respondents rated State officials as being unconcerned than did the older respondents.
4. Family Income and Opinion Responses
A. Statewide Sample

There appears to be a slight tendency for the more affluent (famity income of $\$ 20,000 /$ year and up) to respond that the Highway Patrol policy has resulted in the "same level" of local police protection ( $82 \%$ ). Those respondents with an income level lower than $\$ 20,000$ were less likely to respond that the level of police protection was the same ( $67 \%$ ). The respondents in the upper income ranges were also more aware of the Florida Highway Patrolmen (FHP) reassignment policy (93\%) than were respondents in lower income categories ( $82 \%$ ).
B. Miami/Dade Sample

Respondents in the lower family income categories were more likely to respond that the FHP reassignment resulted in "better protection" ( $47 \%$ ) than were respondents in the upper income categories ( $27 \%$ ).
5. Length of Residence and Opinion Responses

Statewide Sample
Respondents who lived in their current address for 2 years or less were more likely to rate local police performance as either 'average' or 'poor' ( $55 \%$ ) than would those who lived at their current address for 3 years or longer (44\%).
V. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Introduction

This survey was conducted during a period from January 22 through January 26, 1981. Telephone interviews were conducted with individuals selected from local telephone directories. Increased emphasis was placed on contacting Blacks and Hispanics in the Miami/ Dade sample to assure a racially representative sample. Citizens were randomly contacted in other target cities after pages were systematically selected from telephone directories. Rural sample cities included: Belle Glade, Crestview, Lake Wales and Palatka. Urban target cities included Jacksonville and Tampa. Due to a compressed time schedule, no attempt was made to obtain a statistically representative statewide sample. Survey results indicate that women and the elderly are somewhat overrepresented in this survey.
2. Results

The following are some of the more relevant findings in this survey: - More Miami/Dade respondents feel unsafe at night (54\%) than either respondents from other urban ( $26 \%$ ) or rural ( $27 \%$ ) areas.

- The Miami/Dade respondents had slightly less confidence in police performance ( $78 \%$ good/average) than either the other urban ( $84 \%$ good/ average) or rural respondents ( $89 \%$ good/average).
- Most survey respondents (74\%) belleve that State officials are concerned about local crime.
- A large majority ( $86 \%$ ) of all respondents were aware of the reassignment of 100 Highway Patrolmen to the Miami/Dade area.
- Most respondents (54\%) believed that the reassignment of Highway Patrolmen has had a positive effect on Miami's crime situation.
- Most respondents (51\%) believed that the FHP reassignment policy has made 'no change' in the level of local law enforcement protection. - Of those who perceived a change in protection, most rated the change as positive ( $15.9 \%$ ) as opposed to negative ( $4.9 \%$ ).
- Almost all Miami/Uade respondents, who perceived a change in the level of protection, rated the change as positive (28\%), as opposed to negative ( $1 \%$ ).
- Most respondents (71\%) believed that the control of local crime should be a 'shared responsibility' between state and local governments
- Almost all respondents (90\%) believed that the State should have specialized law enforcement manpower to assist local agencies in times of need.
- Threc-quarters ( $75 \%$ ) of the respondents who had an opinion supported an increase in State taxes to provide additional funds for law enforcement.
- More ( $20.5 \%$ ) Miami/Dade respondents stated that they were victims of a crime in the past year than did 'other urban' (14.9\%) or 'rural ( $10.5 \%$ ) respondents.


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## Mr. James York

Director
Department of Law Enforcement
Post Office Box 1489
Tallahassee, Florida 32302
Dear Jim:
You are hereby appointed as Chairman to a task force established by the Cabinet and me to evaluate the assignment of 100 troopers of the Florida Highway Patrol to Dade County.

The task force will meet at your call and a list of the members is enclosed.
The first job of the task force must be to develop a recommendation for the Cabinet and me for our meeting of January 13 1981 on whether the additional troopers should be assigned to Dade County for a total of 90 days. On December 16 , 1980 , we decided to assign them on a temporary basis for 30 days
cotermine at the January 13 meeting whether the assignment should continue. The selection of individual troopers for assignment and their rotation from other areas of the state are administrative issues to be decided within the Department … nome Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

The task force should complete all of its work as quickly as yossible and ask that the group be dissolved. The decision to dissolve it will be made by the cabinet and me based on your reconmendations. issues:

1. The State's role in supplementing local law enforcement during emergencies, including consideration of what circumstances justify state support for local law enforcement; the points of state intervention declaring an emergency and sending in the National Guard; the type of appropriate state response at
~ each point, and the type of police forces to be used at each point;
2. Local initiatives being taken to strengthen crime prevention in Dade County--officers transferred from special units to general law enforcement, use of and training efforts, use of para-professionals;
3. The level of increased law enforcement presence in Dade County/City of Miami resulting from the reassignment of 100 troopers and support personnel compared to the potential of other supplementary means to Dade, Brevard and Palm Beach Counties;
4. The consequences of increased law enforcement in Dade County--decrease in response times, citizen perceptions, and similar proxy measures since time would be insufficient to determine the effect on crime;
5. The consequences on the balance of the state, especially highway safety, and on the FHP organization;
6. Activities of the Florida Highway Patrol to fill present vacancies in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties; and
7. The equitable distribution on a permanent basis of State traffic law enforcement resources, to include ence county versus assignmentsin on a policy or process opment of a policy to achieve uniform assignment of resources statewide.

You should feel free to call on any agency of State government which can render assistance in your task. With kind regards


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Enclosure

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- PEARSON•S R \(=-0.238\) R2 SIGNIficance \(=0.000\)
- nimber of missivg observations \(=54\)
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\hline & 3.7 & 15.7 & 0.0 & \\
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\hline & 16.9 & 26.4 & 21.7 & & \\
\hline & 4.9 & 11.7 & 2.4 & 1.5 & \\
\hline \multirow[t]{4}{*}{2.} & + 22 & 22 & 19 & 3 & 56 \\
\hline & 33.3 & 37.3 & 16.1 & 5.4 & 27.2 \\
\hline & 37.3 & 24.2 & 39.1 & 9.1 & \\
\hline & 10.7 & 10.7 & 4.4 & 1.5 & \\
\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{3.} & 14 & 32 & 9 & 11 & 66 \\
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\hline & 31.0 & 31.0 & 0.0 & 38.1 & 20.4 \\
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- LAHDDA (SYYTETRIG) \(=0.2275\)




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