

# Lawrence Municipal Court



2022 Annual Report  
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# 2022 in Review

The Lawrence Municipal Court is dedicated to providing fair and appropriate resolutions of Municipal Code Violations in an efficient, knowledgeable and respectful manner.

## Top 3 Cited Offenses

### Misdemeanor Non-Traffic Violations

1. Theft
2. Criminal Trespass
3. Criminal Damage to Property

### Misdemeanor Traffic Violations

1. No Insurance
2. No Valid Driver's License
3. Driving while License is Suspended/Cancelled/Revoked

### Traffic Infractions

1. Speeding
2. Expired Tag
3. Inattentive Driving

### Parking Violations

1. Posted No Parking
2. Parked with Expired Tag
3. Parked more than 48 Hours

Court Operations: Court was in session approximately 1,100 times in 2022. Court staff processed 1,846 warrants, completed 790 open records requests, and assisted citizens in obtaining fingerprints 250 times.

Citations: The total number of traffic, parking and public offense citations (charges) issued for the year was 9,363, up from the 2021 total of 7,672. There were 59,659 downtown meter citations issued in 2022.

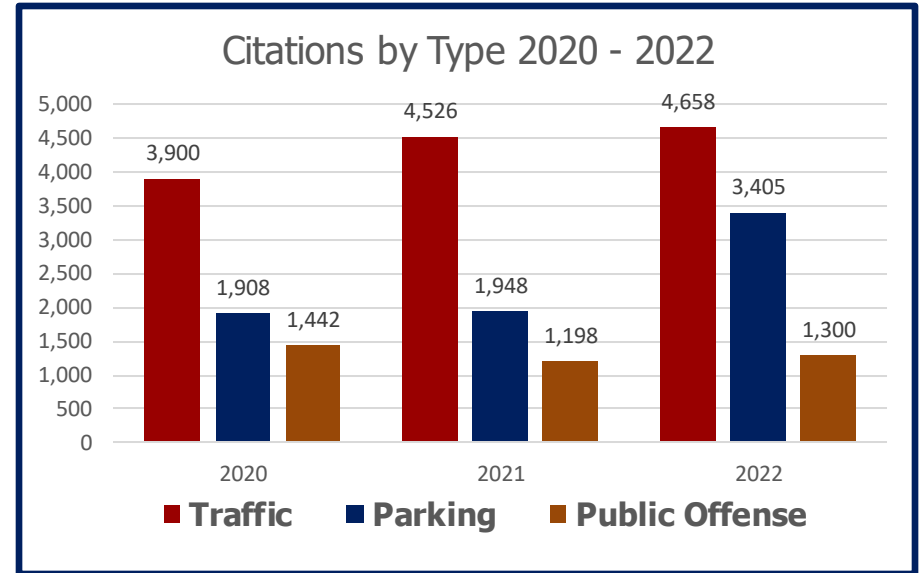
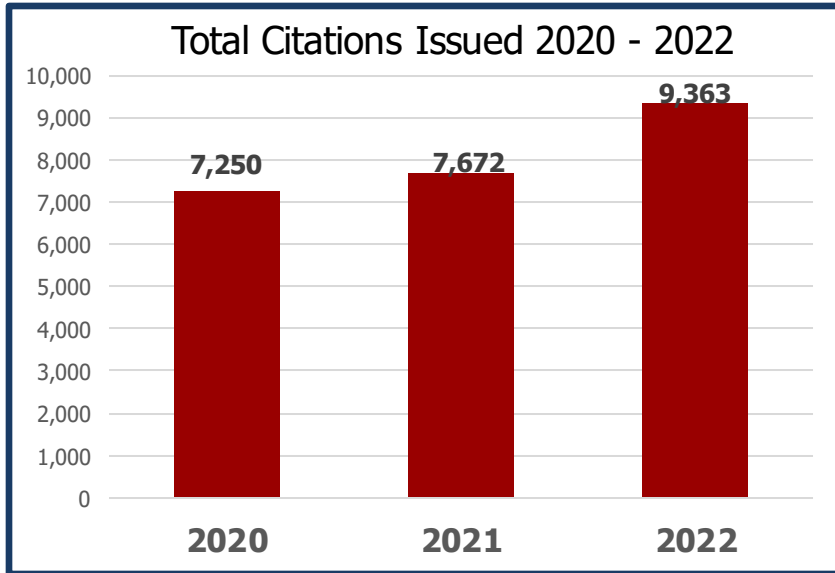
Revenue: Annual gross revenue in Municipal Court was \$1,168,780.00, down from the 2021 total of \$1,384,491.00. Revenue from meter parking fees totaled \$801,019.59, up from the 2021 total of \$613,822.53. In April 2021, new parking technology was introduced and meter fines were increased from \$5.00 to \$10.00. This was the first full year of revenue from the meter fine increase.

Community Service: Upon conviction, defendants with financial obligations to the court may do community service work in lieu of fines. Workers are assigned to several area agencies, including Habitat Restore, Just Food and the Lawrence Humane Society. In 2022, defendants worked nearly 2,200 hours of community service. This sentencing option reduces a defendant's monetary obligation and the community benefits from the hours worked.

Probation: As of December 31, 2022 there were 62 defendants on supervised probation, up slightly from the 2021 total. Approximately 784 defendants were placed on unsupervised probation and 563 defendants successfully completed their probation term in 2022.

Diversions: There were 545 charges diverted through the City Prosecutor's office in 2022, and 625 diversions were successfully completed.

# Yearly Citation Totals



# Yearly Revenue Totals

### Annual Gross Revenue 2020 - 2022



### Annual City Revenue 2020 - 2022



The gross revenue depicted above is the total of all money received by the Municipal Court and includes fees that are remitted to the State of Kansas as required by law.

These fees are used to fund training programs for judges and law enforcement personnel, community corrections supervision, victim and trauma funds and other services. Payments received for court ordered restitution are also included in the gross revenue amount. Once collected, restitution payments are disbursed to victims of crime.

The city revenue total combines money received in the General Fund for court fines and fees, as well as the revenue to the Parking Fund for downtown meter fees and long term parking passes.