Interdiction for the Protection of Children
• 466,949 total estimated missing child reports

• 1 in 4 girls will be sexually victimized before adulthood\(^2\)

• 1 in 6 boys will be sexually victimized before adulthood\(^2\)
The Problem in Texas

- Texas missing children for year 2008 = 57,472
  (Reported by FBI-NCIC)

- Number of Traffic stops by DPS for 2008: 2,891,441

- Resulting in the recovery of
  12,615 wanted persons
  69,063.99 pounds of marijuana
  $16,351,102.00 related to illegal activity

0 Missing Exploited or At-Risk Children
Victims and Law Enforcement Contact

Calgary, Canada
Law Enforcement Contact:
• Police Department
   ➢ Arrested Suspect
   ➢ Arrested 1 adult victim
   ➢ Fairfax County: Seized approximately $4000.00

Police Department:
➢ Motorist Assist

 Trafficking:
Austin
Dallas
Pentagon City
Alexandria
Colorado
El Paso
INTERDICTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

**Prevention**

- Interdiction and Intelligence gathering of future offenses

**Investigation / Rescue**

- Investigative Techniques for Victim / Possible Victim
- Investigation of Offender / Possible Threat to Children
As a result of the Interdiction for the Protection of Children training, there have been:

Criminal Arrests for offenses such as Possession of Child Pornography and Sexual Assault of a Child

More than 200 Missing or Exploited Children Recovered
Conducted a traffic stop involving three adult males, one adult female and a 14-year-old juvenile female. During the traffic stop, it was discovered that the mother of the juvenile was “loaning” / exploiting the child for drugs.
What is missing?

Police find suspected drugs during interdiction operation

Operation Safe Driver Targets Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
Crimes Against Children Traffic Enforcement Operation

April 14th-16th, 2015

- Texas DPS
- Austin Police Department
- Arizona
- Arkansas State Police
- Durham Constabulary, UK
- Louisiana State Police
- Georgia Highway Patrol
- Ohio Highway Patrol
- Tennessee Highway Patrol
- Utah Highway Patrol
- United States Marshal’s Service
- FBI
Crimes Against Children Traffic Enforcement Operation

Officers assigned/utilized during the operation: 3,224

Number of traffic stops conducted during the operation: 31,864

Children Rescued: 6

Children checked for Child Protective Service history: 26

Registered Sex Offenders, registered in home state: 64

Registered Sex Offenders registered in other states: 6

Suspicious Activity Reports Submitted to a Fusion Center: 25

Vehicle Searches related to Operation: 208

Cell Phone / Computer Searches related to Operation: 7
Fiscal impact

- No new software needed
- Immediate use
- No new personnel needed
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