

**Georgia Bureau of Investigation  
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FY2025**



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## Director's Highlights

- Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit – On Thursday, October 24, 2024, GBI's CEACC Unit arrested and charged two men for sexual exploitation of children. In May 2024, the CEACC Unit initiated two separate proactive investigations into online activity. The investigation of Jonathan Sells, age 39, of Cleveland, White County, GA, led to a search warrant of his home and his subsequent arrest on October 24, 2024. Investigators discovered that Sells both possessed and distributed child sexual abuse material. In addition, Sells was charged with destruction of evidence. The White County Sheriff's Office and Homeland Security Investigations assisted the CEACC Unit with the arrest of Sells. The investigation of Thomas Walker, age 37, of Helen, White County, GA, led to a search warrant of his home and his subsequent arrest on October 24, 2024. Walker was found to be in possession of child sexual abuse material (3 counts). The Helen Police Department assisted the CEACC Unit with the arrest of Walker. Both men were booked at the White County Jail.
- Region 4 – On Monday, October 21, 2024, GBI's Region 4 - Douglas Field Office was requested by the Atkinson County Sheriff's Office to conduct a death investigation after receiving information about Darion Davis, age 16, of Pearson, GA, dying at a Savannah hospital following an alleged assault that occurred on October 12, 2024. During the investigation, agents discovered a video of a fight in which the suspects were beating Davis. During the fight, a 15-year-old grabbed a pipe and hit Davis multiple times. Several days later, Davis was taken to a hospital, where he died from his injuries. The GBI Medical Examiner's Office in Decatur, GA, completed an autopsy to determine the exact cause and manner of death. On October 29, 2024, the GBI arrested and charged five people in connection to the death of Darion Davis: a fifteen-year-old from Pearson, GA, charged with Malice Murder, Felony Murder, Aggravated Assault, and Aggravated Battery; a fourteen-year-old from Pearson, GA, charged with Felony Murder, Aggravated Assault, and Aggravated Battery; a sixteen-year-old from Pearson, GA, charged with Felony Murder, Aggravated Assault, and Aggravated Battery; Vertron White, age 17, of Pearson, GA, charged with Felony Murder, Aggravated Assault, and Aggravated Battery; and Ta'shunika Jones, age 21, of Pearson, GA, charged with Felony Murder, Aggravated Assault, and Aggravated Battery. They will all be charged as adults. White and Jones were booked into the Atkinson County Jail. The minors are in the custody of the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Region 15 – On Saturday, October 19, 2024, GBI's Region 15 – Sylvester Field Office was requested by Albany State University (ASU) Police Department to investigate a shooting that occurred during the university's homecoming weekend festivities. The ASU Police Department, with the assistance of local and state law enforcement, responded swiftly to the scene. Five people were shot during the incident. One victim, De'Marion Tashawn Daniels, a 19-year-old from Newnan, GA, was killed. Daniels was not an ASU student. The other four victims include: a 13-year-old from Albany, who suffered a gunshot wound; a 17-year-old local high school student, who suffered a gunshot wound; a 16-year-old local high school student, who suffered a gunshot wound; and a 20-year-old who was grazed by a bullet. The injured victims were immediately treated at a triage site on campus before being taken to a local hospital for further care. The campus was placed on lockdown following the shooting, and a search was conducted for the suspect(s). The GBI arrested and charged Jeremy Marshall, age 18, of Albany, GA, with Aggravated Assault (3 counts) and Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Felony (3 counts) in connection to the shooting. Marshall is being held at the Dougherty County Jail. The investigation remains active and ongoing.

- Metro Gang Task Force / Region 11 – On Sunday, October 13, 2024, GBI’s Region 11 – Athens Field Office was requested by Elbert County Sheriff’s Office to investigate a shooting that occurred late Saturday, October 12, 2024, on Evergreen Drive in Elberton, GA, at a homecoming afterparty that left one minor deceased, and seven others injured. The shooting is believed to be gang related. The GBI Metro Gang Task Force, assisted by the GBI Region 11 office and the Appalachian Regional Drug Enforcement Office, has arrested and charged six people in connection with the shooting death of one victim and the aggravated assault of seven other victims: Jarquavious Scott, age 18, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Aggravated Assault (4 counts), Aggravated Battery, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act; Destanne Mathis, age 20, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Party to a Crime, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act; Aanidras Parks, age 18, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Aggravated Assault (4 counts), Aggravated Battery, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act; Jerimiyah Hughes, age 19, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Aggravated Assault (3 counts), Aggravated Battery, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act; Desmond Latimer, age 18, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Party to a Crime, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act; Christopher Bell, age 19, of Anderson, SC, charged with Murder, Aggravated Assault (4 counts), Aggravated Battery, and Violation of the Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act. This investigation is active and ongoing.
- Office of Special Investigations (OSI) - Cold Case Unit (CCU) – The Coleman-Baker Act (CBA) request webform has been on the GBI website Home page since June 30, 2023. Thirty-two (32) cold cases are being reviewed at this time. Thirteen (13) were requests from designated family members and nineteen (19) were GBI initiated. CCU has also opened twelve (12) GBI cold case unidentified remains (UID) cases in hopes of identifying the victims with FIGG (Forensic Investigative Genetic Genealogy).
- From January 1 to October 31, 2024, the GBI investigated a total of seventy-four (74) Officer Involved Shootings (OIS). OIS number seventy-four (74) was on October 30, 2024. GBI’s Region 10 – Atlanta Regional Field Office was requested by the Conyers Police Department. Conyers officers responded to a disturbance call at a Chevron gas station located in Conyers, GA. The 911 caller, who was the store clerk indicated a patron later identified as Jesse Roach, age 40, of Carrollton, GA, had threatened him with a gun. Officers encountered Roach inside the store. As officers were attempting to detain and identify Roach, Roach pushed past them and exited the store. One of the officers attempted to Taser Roach, but Roach was able to remove the Taser probes. Once he removed the probes, Roach pulled a gun from his pocket and shot at the officers. Officers returned fire, hitting and wounding Roach. Roach was taken to Piedmont Rockdale where he was pronounced deceased. Roach’s body will be taken to the GBI Medical Examiner’s Office for an autopsy. No officers were injured in this incident. The GBI will conduct an independent investigation. Once complete, the case file will be given to the Rockdale County District Attorney’s Office for review.

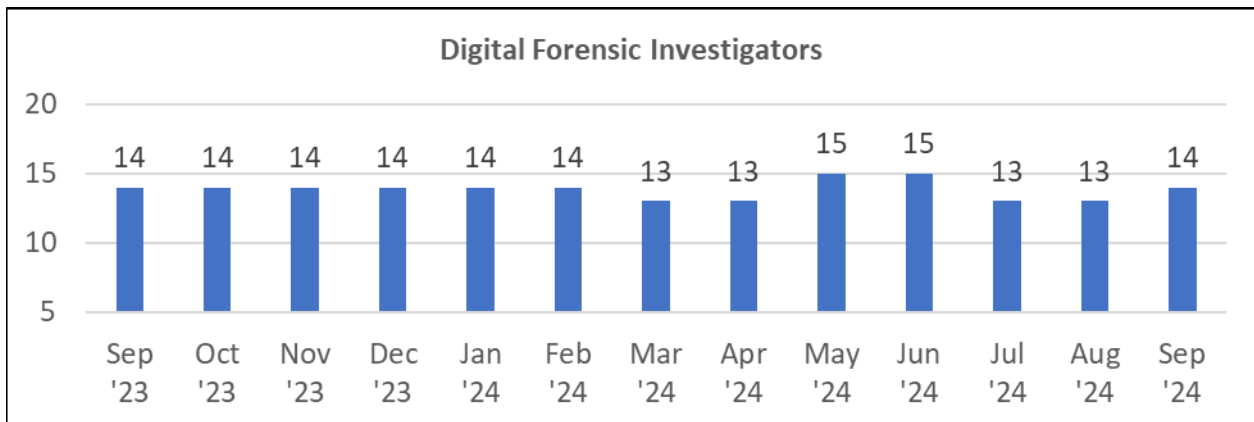
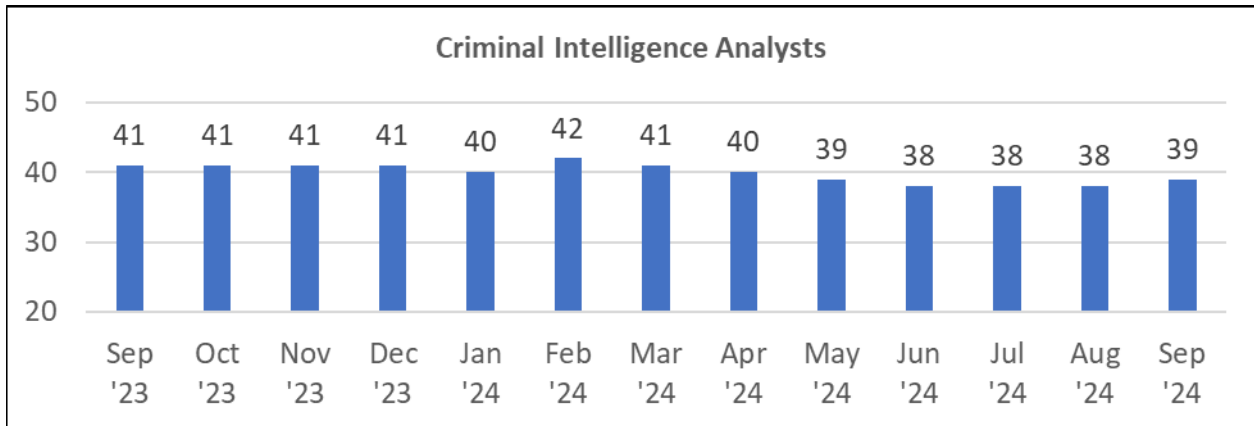
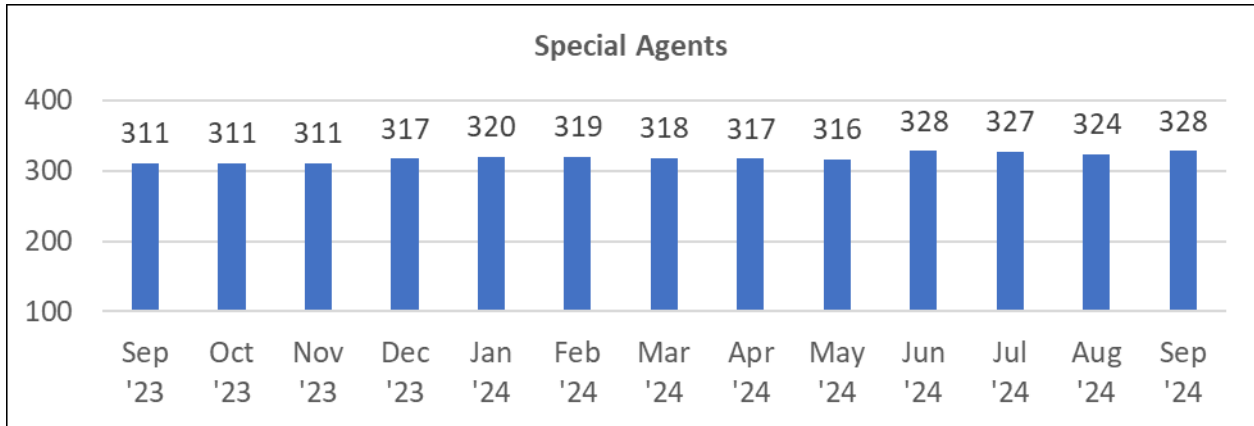
### **Promotions Effective October 2024**

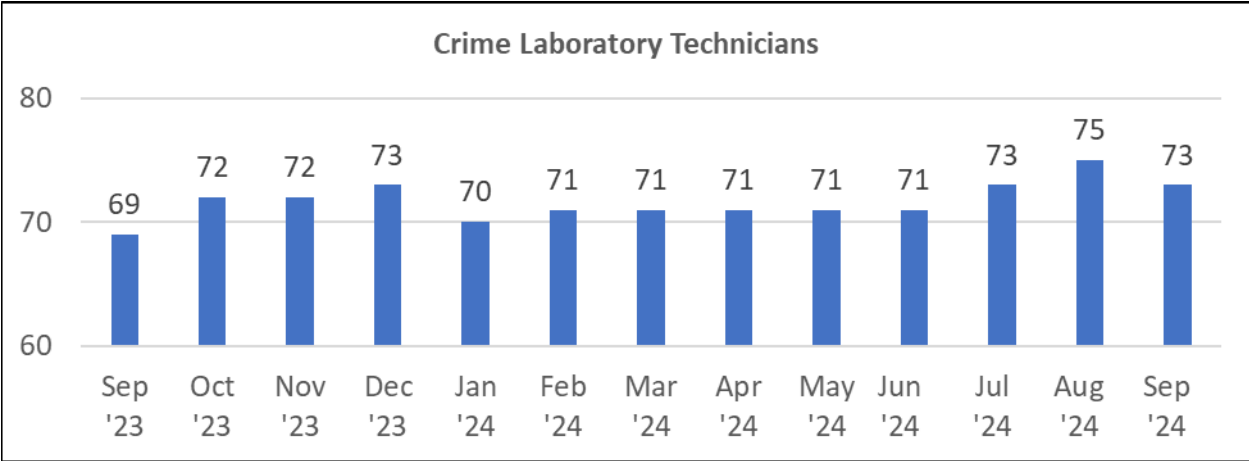
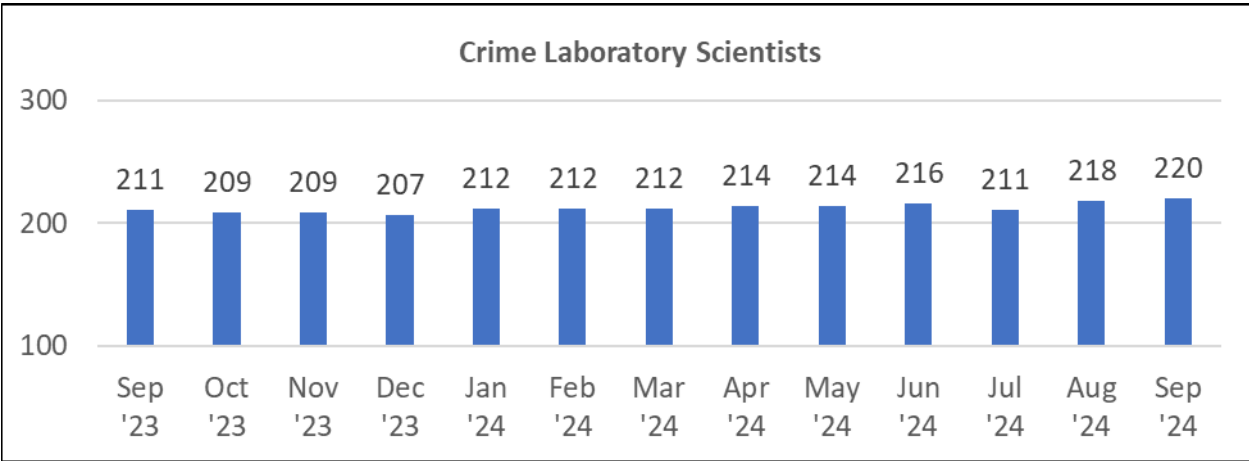
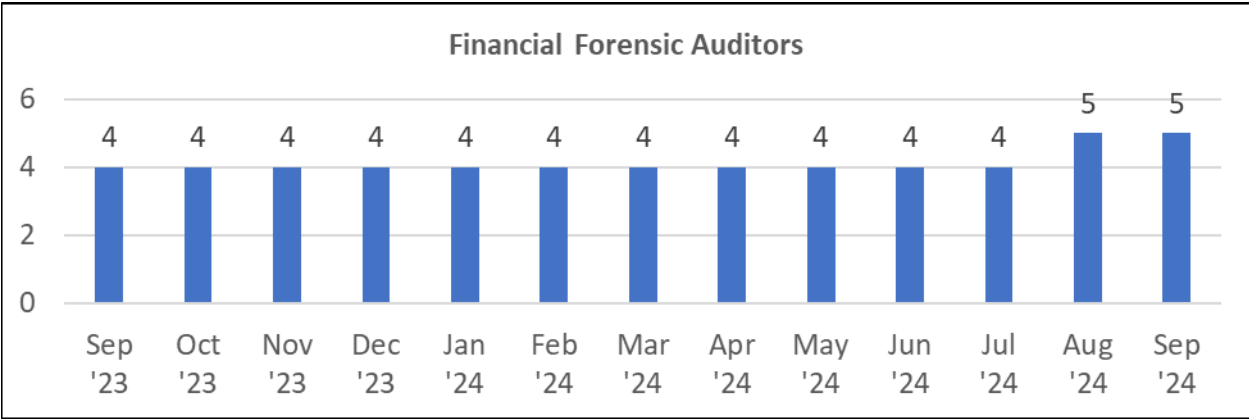
- Michael Maybin was promoted to Assistant Special Agent in Charge at the Region 6 Field Office in Milledgeville, GA, effective October 16, 2024.
- Jessica Sales was promoted to Assistant Special Agent in Charge at the Region 2 Field Office in Midland, GA, effective October 16, 2024.

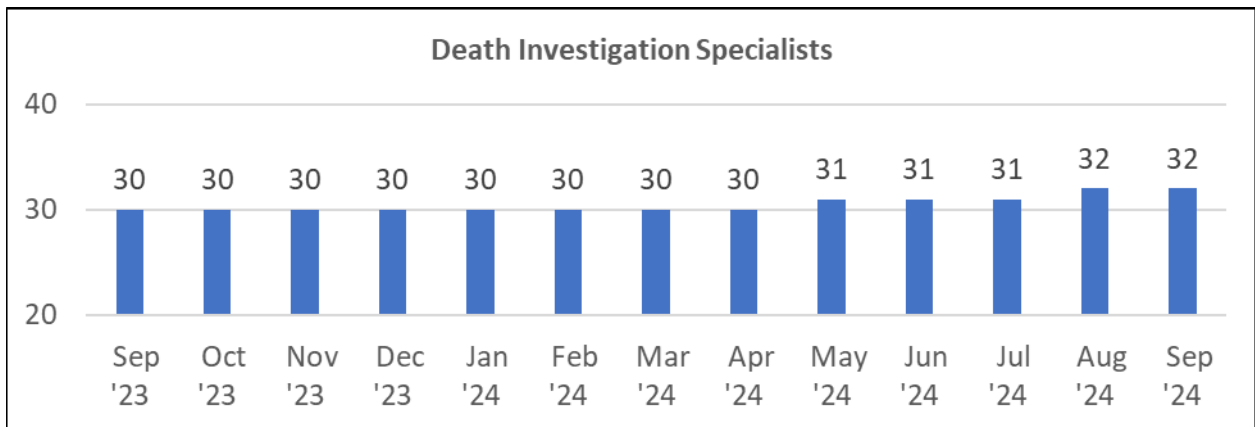
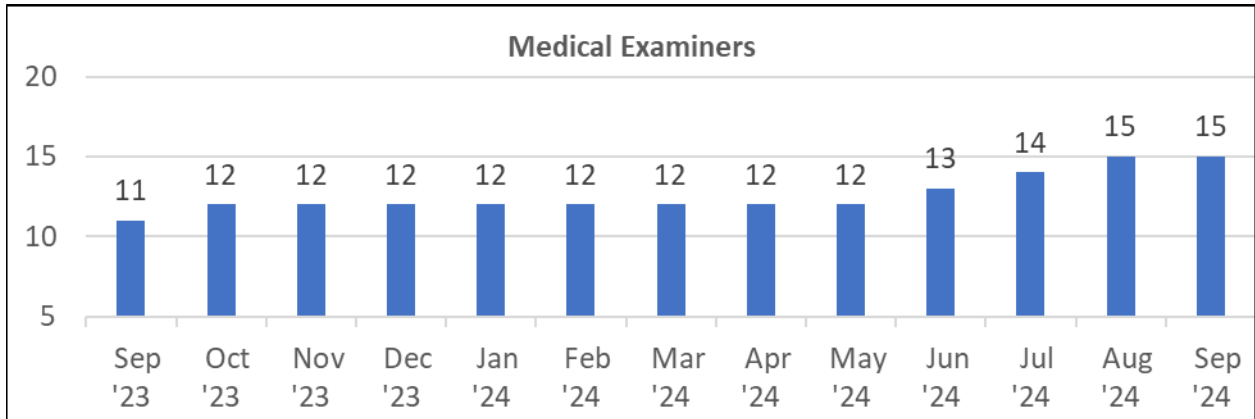


# Staffing Report

## Filled Positions (All Fund Sources)







### GBI Vacancies -- FY2025

*(State Funds Only)*

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sept '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25
<b>DOFS</b>	58	46	45									
<b>Scientist Positions</b>	32	25	23									
<b>Investigative Division</b>	44	42	35									
<b>Sworn Agent Positions</b>	20	22	14									
<b>GCIC</b>	9	9	7									
<b>Admin</b>	5	5	4									

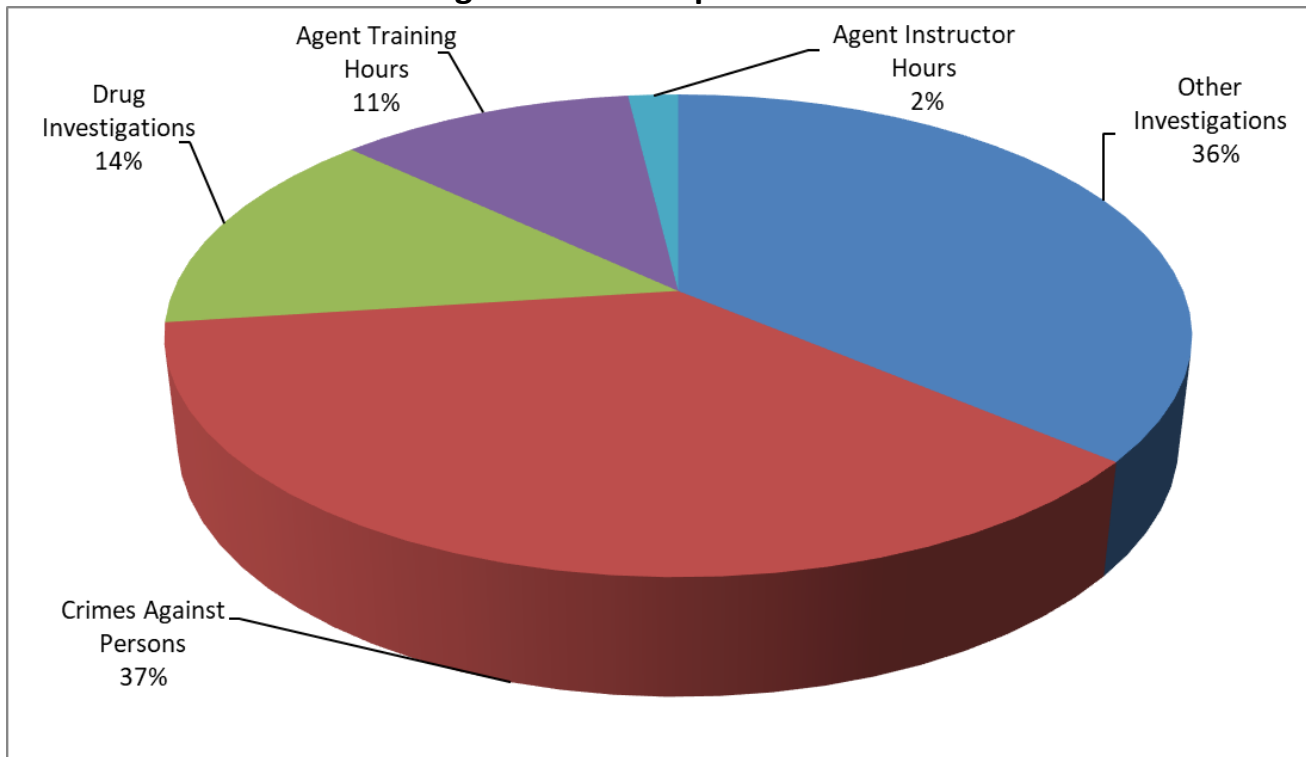


# Investigative Division

## Investigative Cases – YTD FY2025

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25	FY 2025
* Crimes Against Persons	85	106	130										321
**Drug Investigations	16	22	23										61
***Other Investigations	412	462	424										1,298
<b>Total</b>	513	590	577										1,680

## Investigative Hours Expended - YTD FY2025



\* **Crimes Against Persons** - death investigations, assaults, kidnapping, robbery, child abuse & exploitation/trafficking, etc.

\*\* **Drug Investigations** - felony investigations, trafficking, manufacturing, distribution, etc.

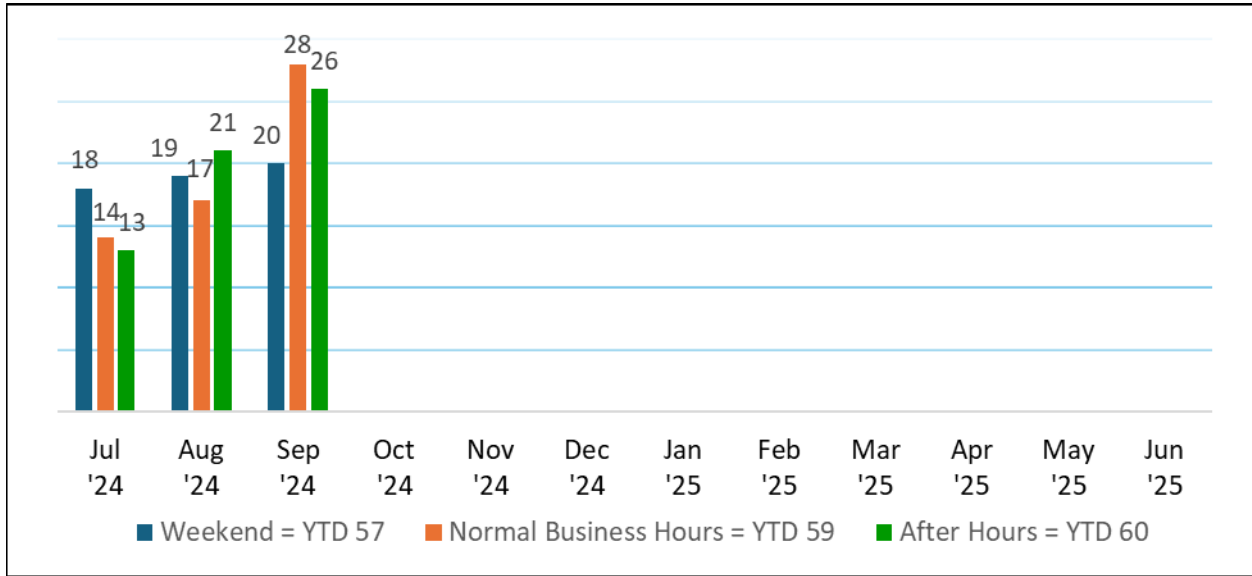
\*\*\* **Other Investigations** - corruption, cyber, bomb disposal, election, technology, cold case review, property crimes, special events, etc.



### Recoveries, Seizures, Arrests – YTD FY2025

	September 2024	YTD FY2025
Property Stolen	\$122,490.78	\$134,490.78
Property Recovered	\$108,340.30	\$234,640.30
Contraband Seized	\$2,679,237.70	\$8,645,245.66
Arrests	64	253
Cases Closed	516	1,483

### Major Case Call Outs - YTD FY2025



### Georgia Information Sharing and Analysis Center (GISAC) Watch Desk Activity YTD FY2025

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25	FY 2025
Threats to Life	34	42	62										138
See Send App Tips	2,352	628	803										3,783
Suspicious Activity	0	1	0										1
*Requests for Info.	1,936	1,978	1,659										5,573

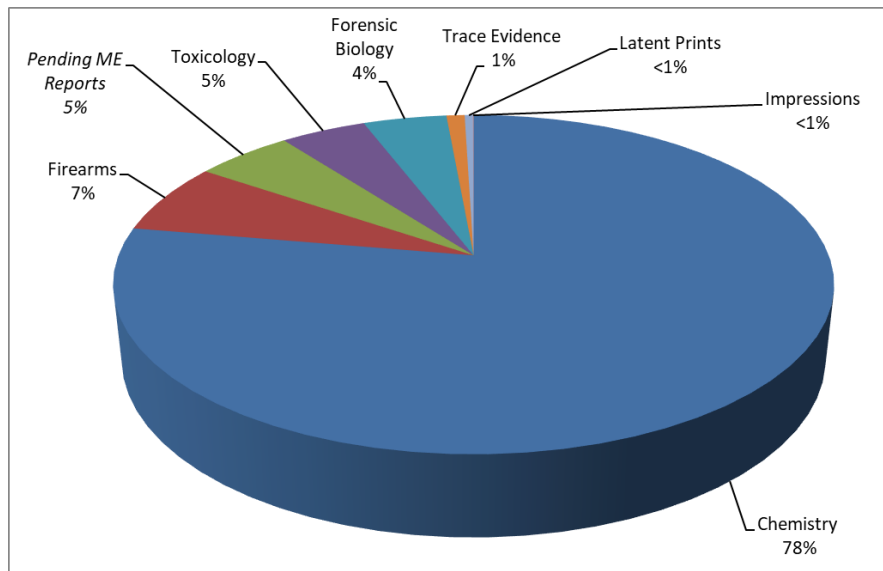
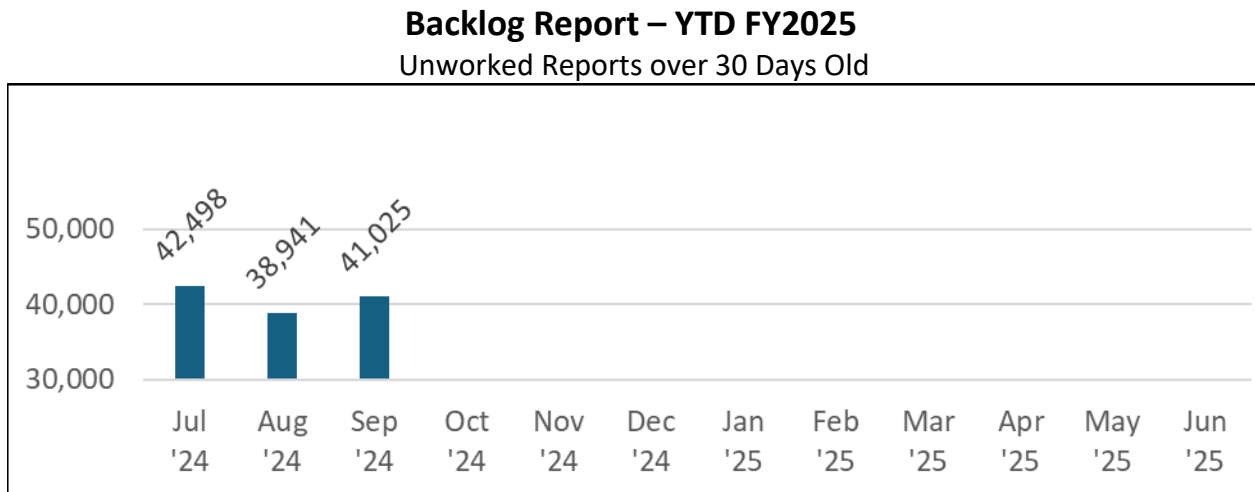
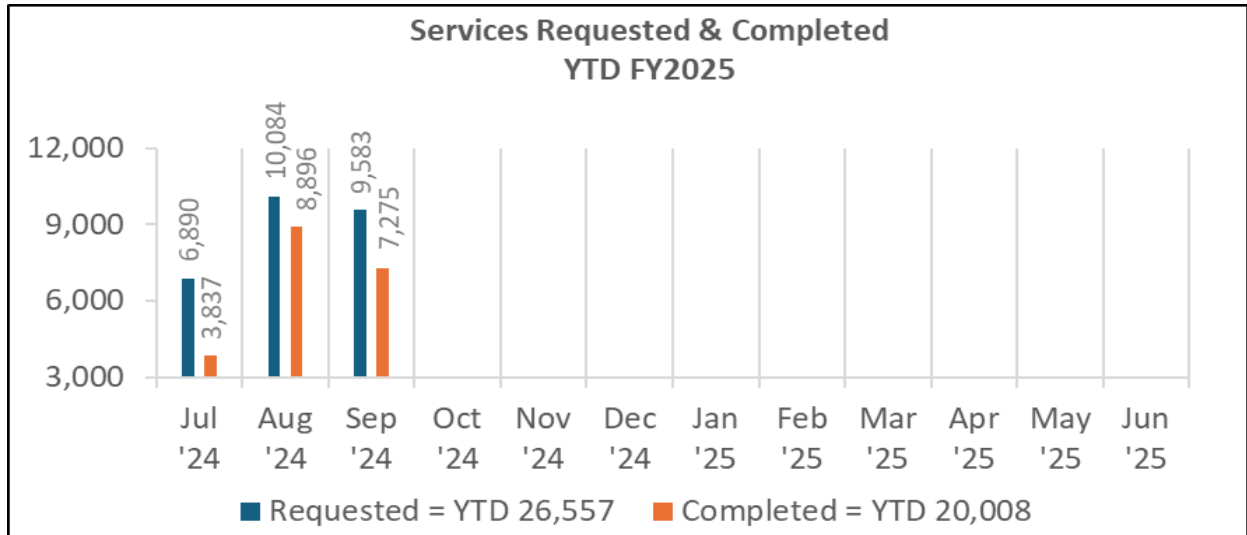
\* The GISAC Requests for Information (RFI) totals are accurate at the time of this report. However, the numbers may change due to pending updates and modifications within the reporting system.

#### Investigative Division Notes:

- Conditional offers for employment with the GBI have been made to seventeen (17) Special Agent applicants. The tentative hire date is December 16, 2024.



# Crime Laboratory



### Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)

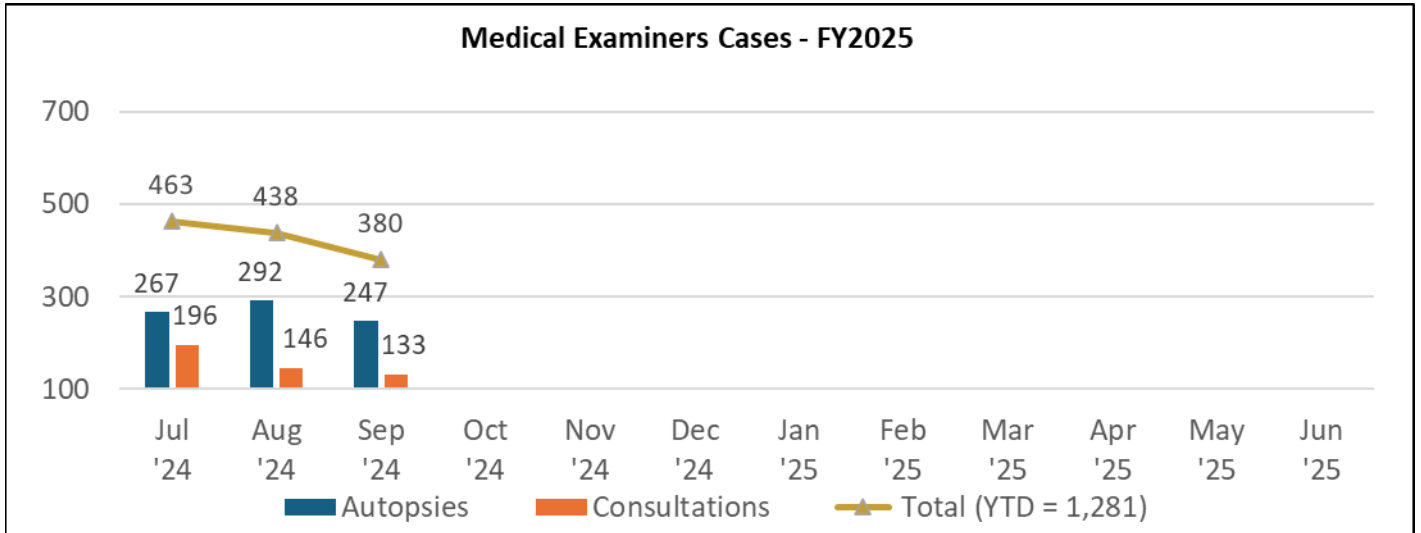
	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25	YTD FY2025
<b>Samples Entered</b>	1,710	1,926	1,301										4,937
<b>Confirmed Hits</b>	65	35	49										149

**Crime Laboratory Notes:**

- The Crime Laboratory has 26 Scientists in training within their respective disciplines.
- During October 2024, 2 Crime Lab Scientists and 3 Forensic Technicians began employment with the GBI Division of Forensic Sciences.



## Medical Examiners (includes all laboratories)



### MEO Backlog - FY2025

Medical Examiner data is calculated as >90 days from the date of examination in accordance with National Association of Medical Examiner accreditation standards.

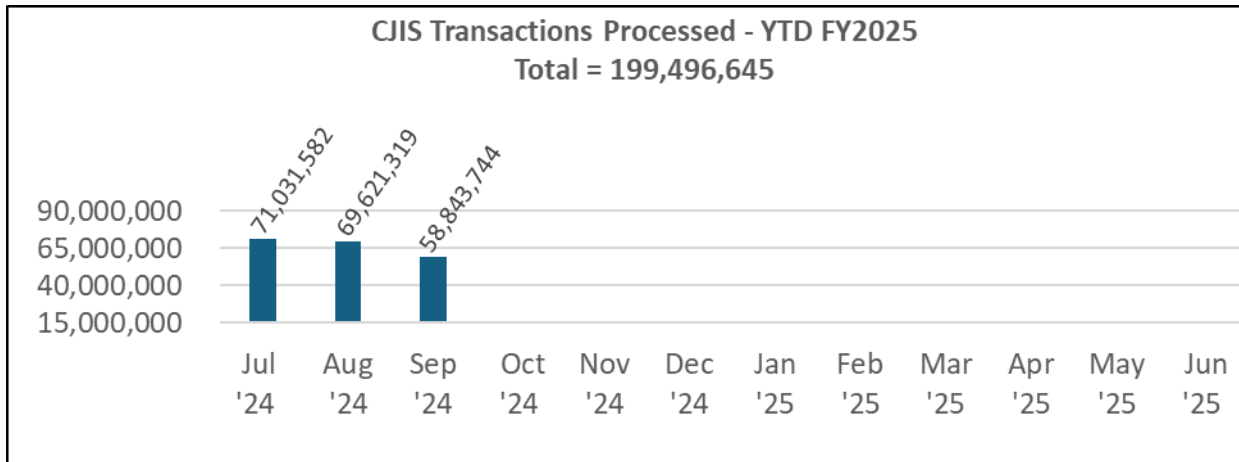
	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25
<b>Reports Pending</b>	1,938	2,110	2,113									
<b>Released w/in 90 Days</b>	68.9%	53.0%	67.8%									

#### MEO Notes:

- The GBI hosted the Metro Atlanta Mass Fatality Workgroup meeting on October 3, 2024.
- Medical Reserve Corps volunteers rotated through GBI's morgue for training in case of mass fatalities.
- During October 2024, GBI's Medical Examiner Fellows were provided instruction on environmental deaths and sudden natural deaths by GBI Medical Examiners. Fellows also completed their week of scene visits with the DeKalb Medical Examiner's Office.



# Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC)



## AFIS, CCH, and Applicant Activity Report

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25
<b>Criminal Fingerprint Submissions</b>												
Submissions	44,936	45,969	43,645									
Submissions w/Palms	15,948	16,590	14,953									
Submissions w/Photos	11,132	11,617	10,231									
Latent Print AFIS HITS	19	44	40									
<b>Applicant Fingerprint Submissions (Non-Criminal)</b>												
Submissions	48,959	52,249	38,524									
Submissions through Rap Back	6,157	6,245	5,099									
Applicant Fingerprint Triggering Events	1,107	1,122	1,062									
<b>Final Disposition Submissions</b>												
Local Agencies	71,469	71,214	61,447									
GCIC	326	287	285									
<b>Rapid ID Transactions</b>												
Transactions	1,893	2,128	1,592									
Transactions w/AFIS HITS	49%	52%	49%									
Transactions w/NCIC HITS	52%	55%	51%									
**Transactions w/FBI RISC HITS	14%	15%	15%									

*\*\* Repository for Individuals of Special Concerns (RISC). This group includes Wanted Persons including the Immigration Violator File, National Sexual Offenders, Known or appropriately Suspected Terrorists and other persons of special interest groups defined by FBI.*

## GCIC Activity Report

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25
Off-Line Search Requests	17	14	10									
<b>Sex Offender Registry</b> <i>(Database Total 39,003)</i>												
Records Added	106	145	138									
<b>Protection Order Registry</b> <i>(Database Total 191,462)</i>												
Records Added	2,854	3,190	2,621									
<b>Criminal Justice Agencies</b> <i>(e.g. Law Enforcement Agencies, Criminal Court Systems, Corrections, etc.)</i>												
Audited	20	36	38									
In Compliance	4	5	5									
Out of Compliance	16	31	33									
Trained	10	4	4									
<b>Non-Criminal Justice</b> <i>(e.g. Civil Courts, City, County and Charter Schools, Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL), Department of Community Health (DCH), etc.)</i>												
Audited	63	32	41									
In Compliance	32	25	32									
Out of Compliance	31	7	9									
Trained	12	57	16									
<b>Learning Management System (LMS)</b> <i>An on-line system for criminal justice and non-criminal justice staff to enroll and attend e-learning courses.</i>												
Georgia Criminal Street Gang Database	11	12	29									
CJIS Network Operator Certification (CNO)	3,058	3,078	3,018									
CJIS Security Policy Awareness and Training/Awareness Statement	5,538	6,878	7,064									

### GCIC Notes:

- In compliance with the Uniform Standards adopted by the Criminal Case Data Exchange Board, on October 9, 2024, GCIC began automatically applying arresting agency actions of “FTA – Failure to Appear Warrant Executed” and “TOS – Transferred Out of State” to Failure to Appear and Fugitive from Justice charges. Arresting agency actions are considered final dispositions and will reflect the associated charge(s) as closed. This change will assist in statewide cleanup of outstanding or unresolved dispositions in GCIC records.



# Administration

## Office of Privacy and Compliance / Open Records Unit

### Open Records/Archives Requests - YTD FY2025

	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Nov '24	Dec '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25	Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25	FY 2025
<b>Open Records Requests</b>	694	573	573										1,840

## Facilities – Major Projects Status

- Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) Storage Building scheduled for completion in December 2024.
- HQ MEO Expansion design services scheduled for completion in December 2024.
- Region 1 - Calhoun Office new construction scheduled for completion in January 2025.