

Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation



Annual Report Oklahoma Self-Defense Act 2025

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This report is provided in accordance with the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act

TITLE 21 § 1290.16. Statistical report

By January 15, 1997, and by January 15 of each year thereafter, the Bureau shall submit a statistical report for the preceding calendar year to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, including, but not limited to, data on the numbers of handgun licenses approved and issued and the numbers of licenses suspended, revoked or denied in the following categories: age, sex, race, county and any other category deemed relevant by the Bureau.

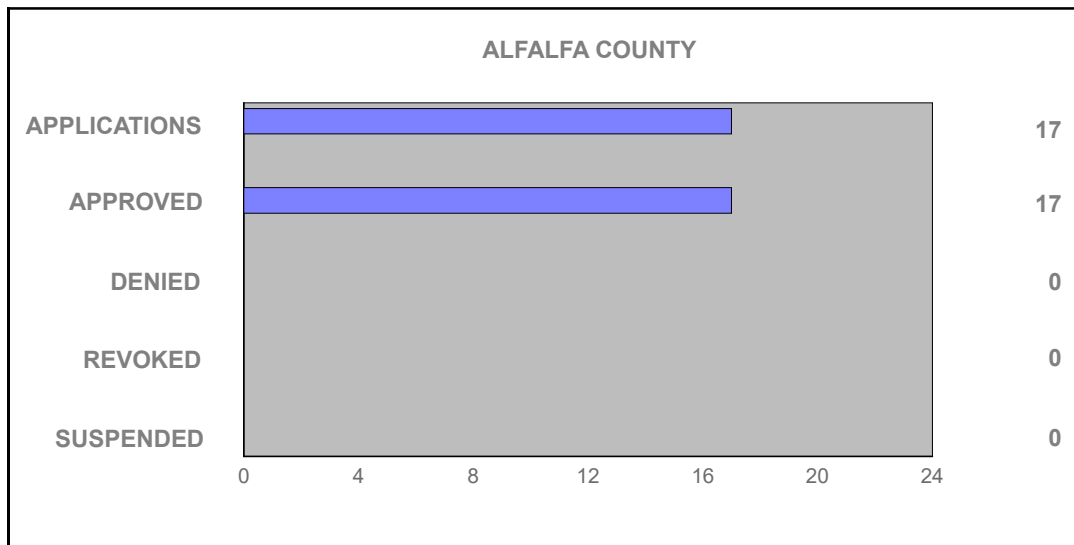
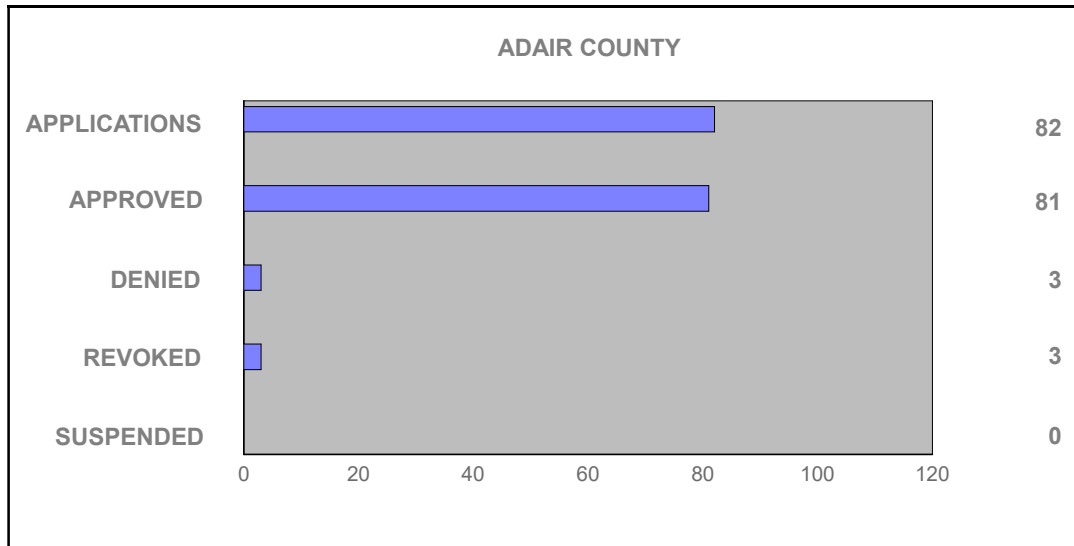
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STATISTICAL REPORT**

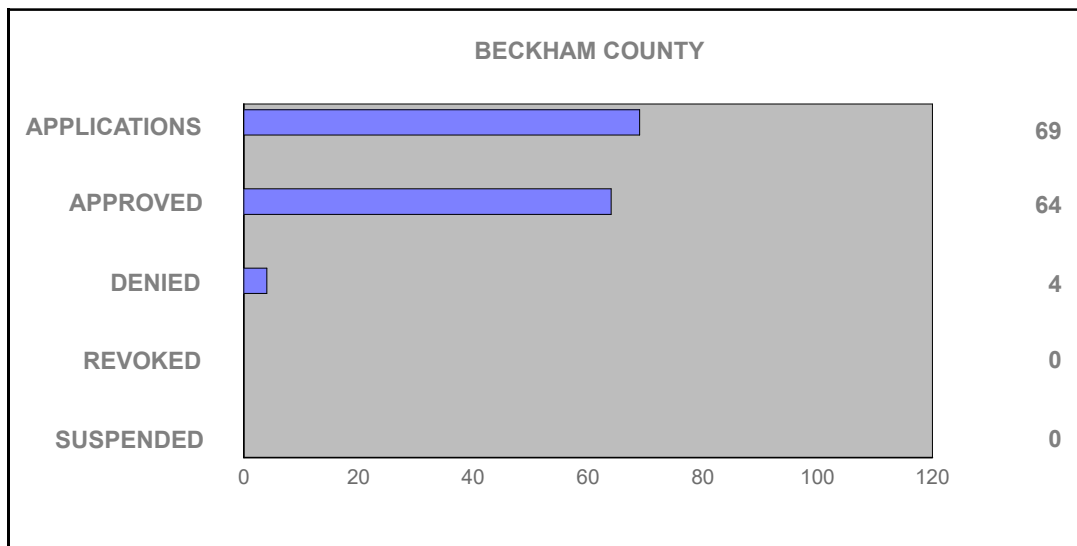
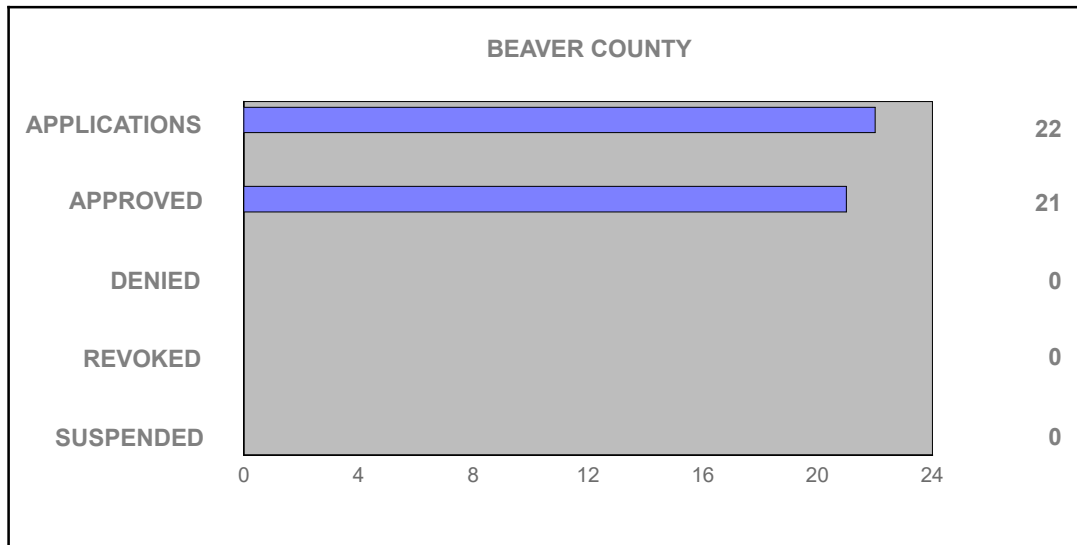
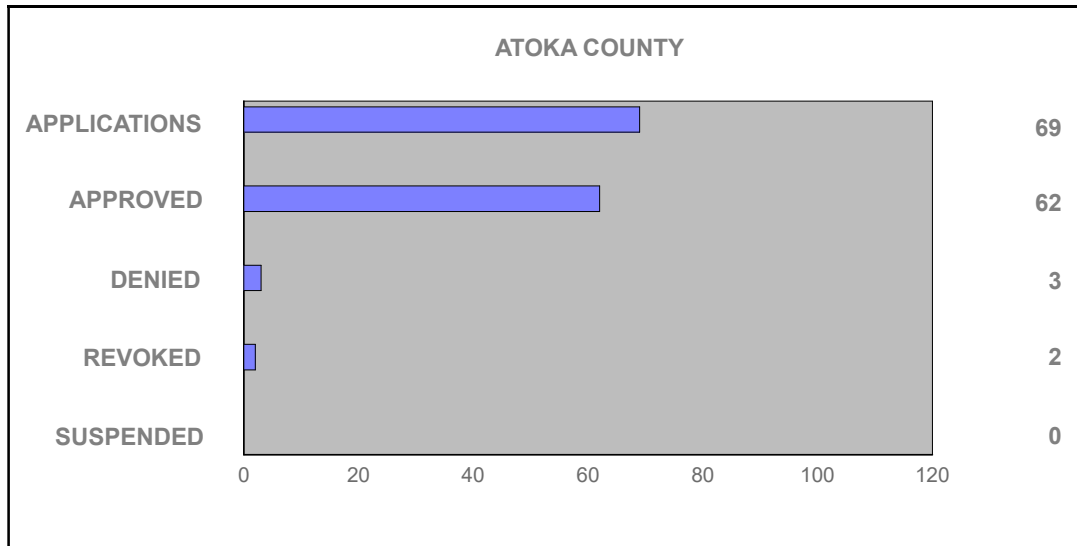
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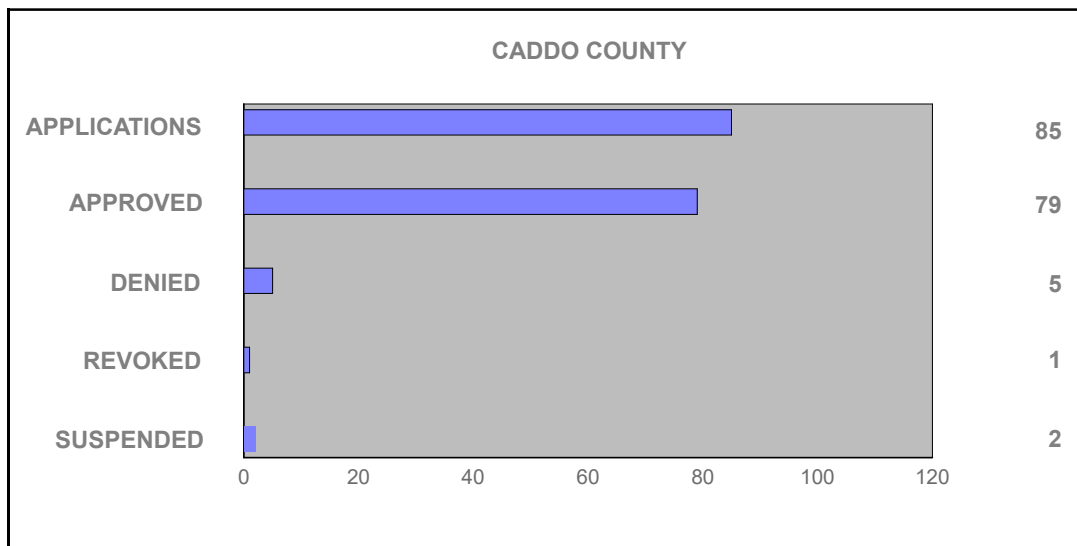
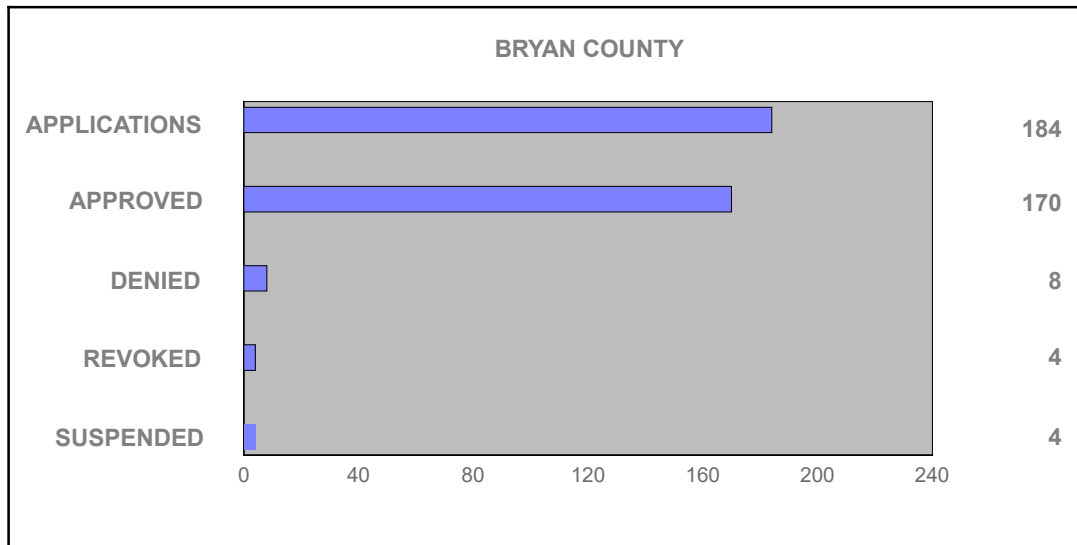
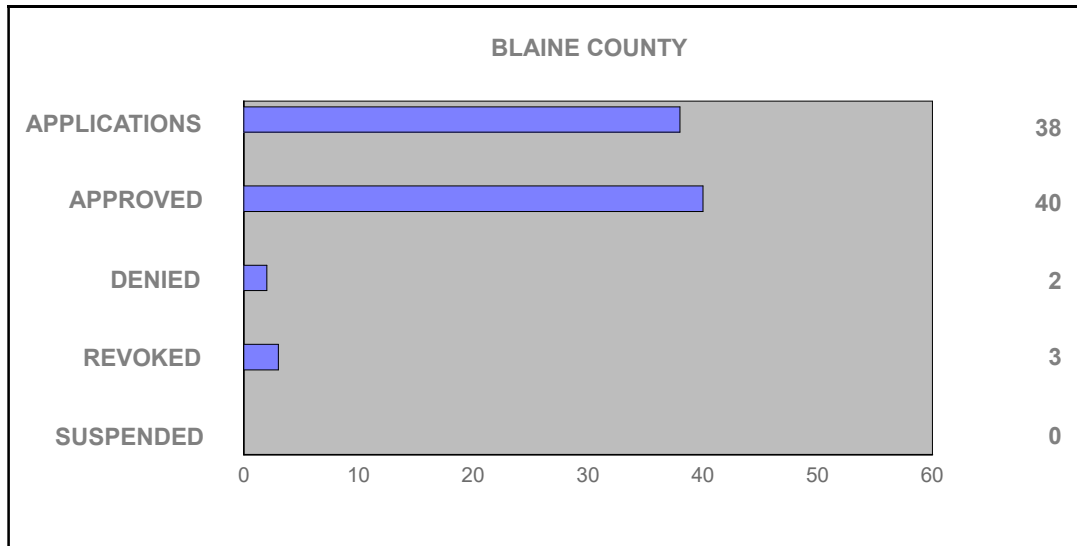
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<i>RACE</i>	<i>FEMALE</i>	<i>MALE</i>	<i>COMBINED</i>
Asian	34	126	160
Black	199	481	680
Hispanic	40	157	197
Indian	215	437	652
White	2,923	7,645	10,568
Other	14	45	59
Totals	3,425	8,891	12,316
Average Age	56	57	57

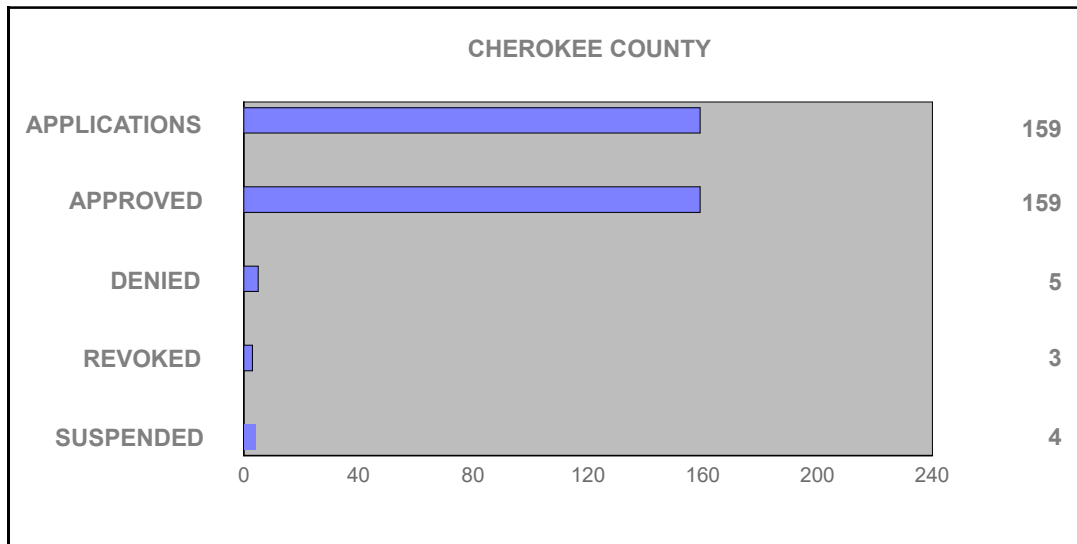
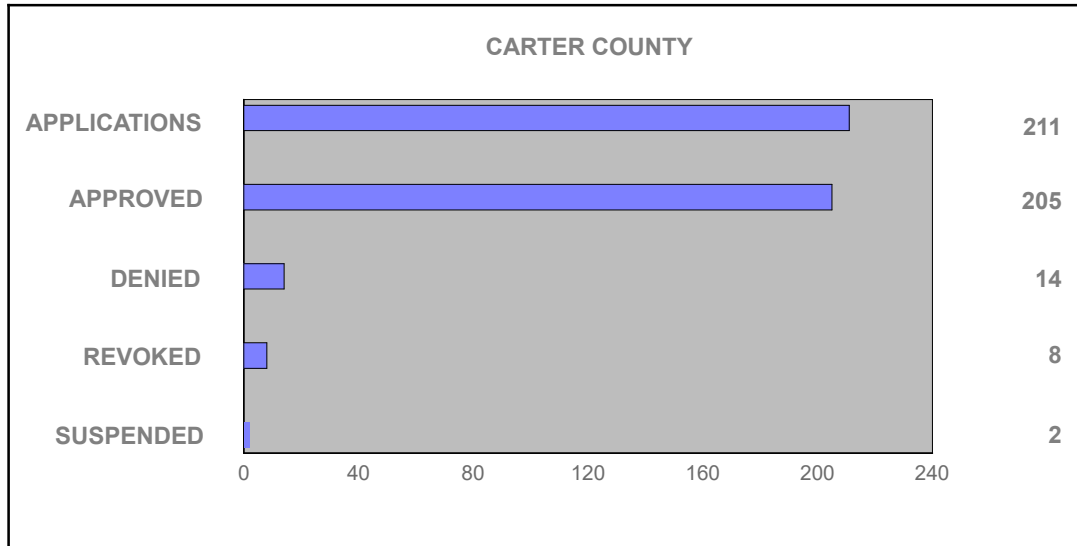
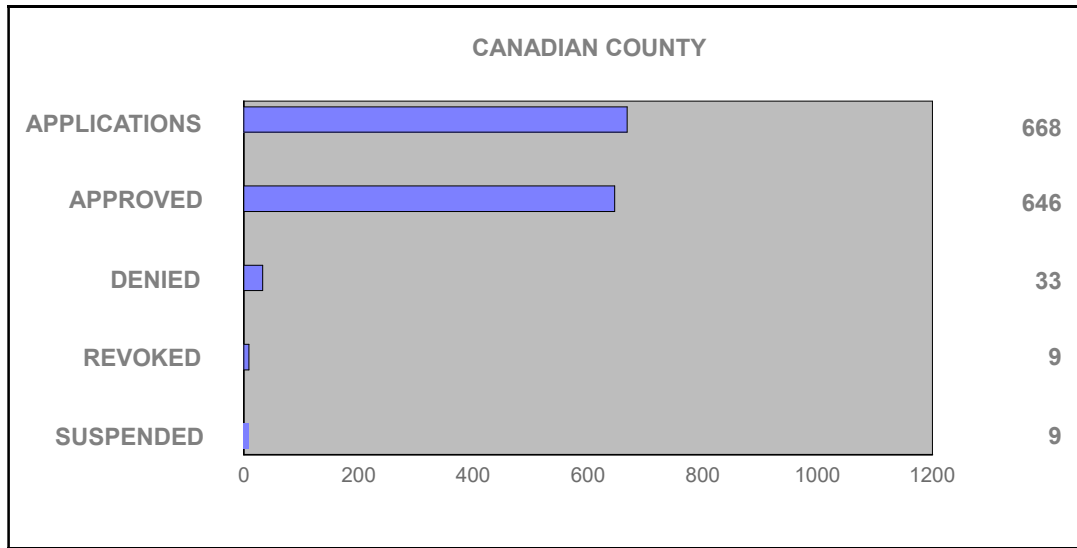
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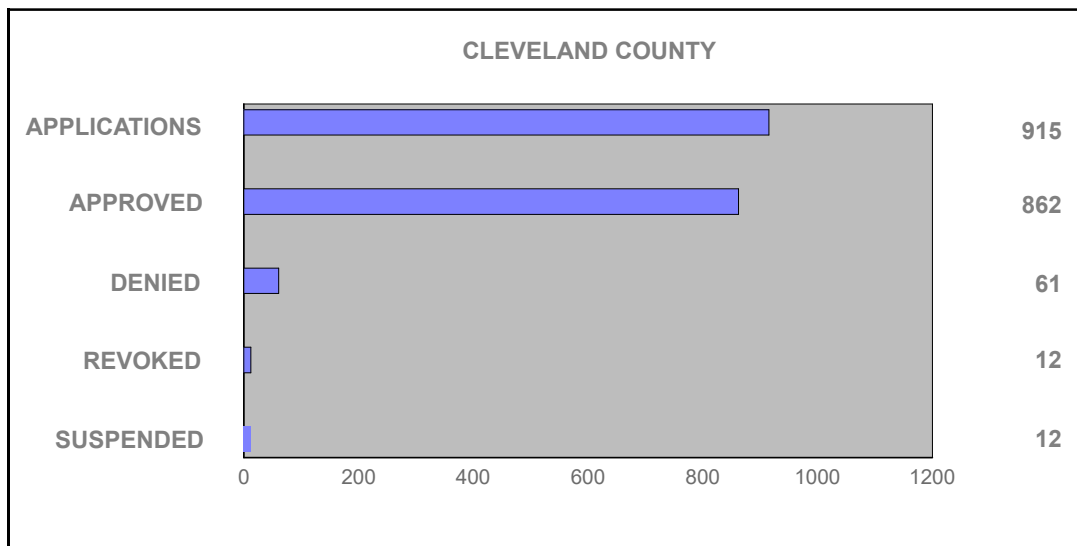
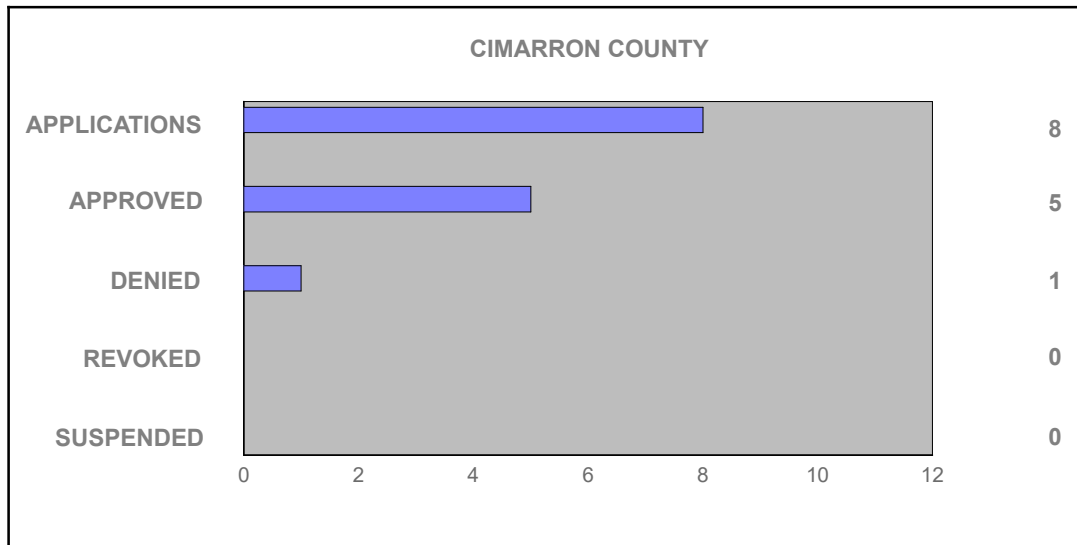
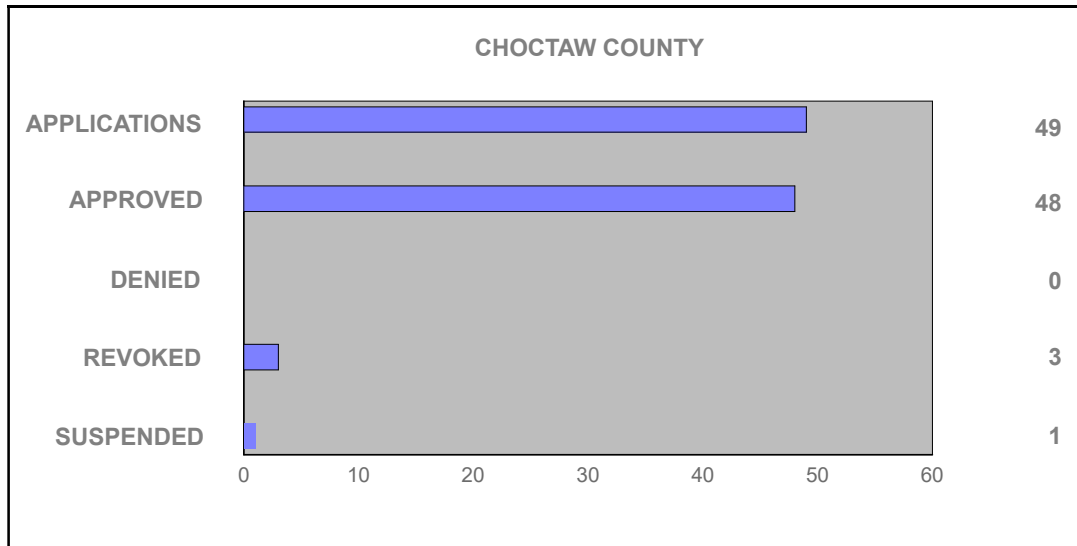
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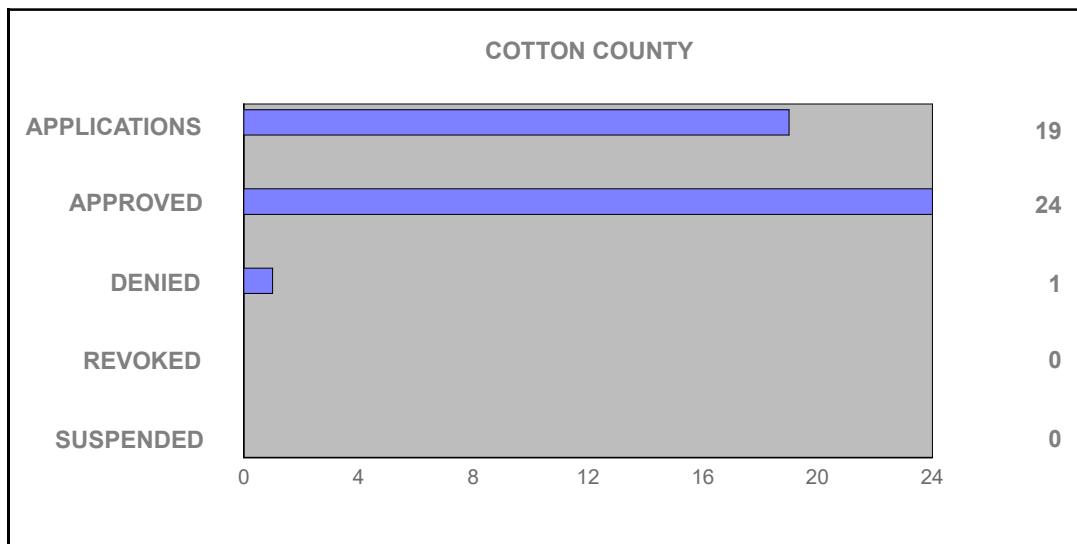
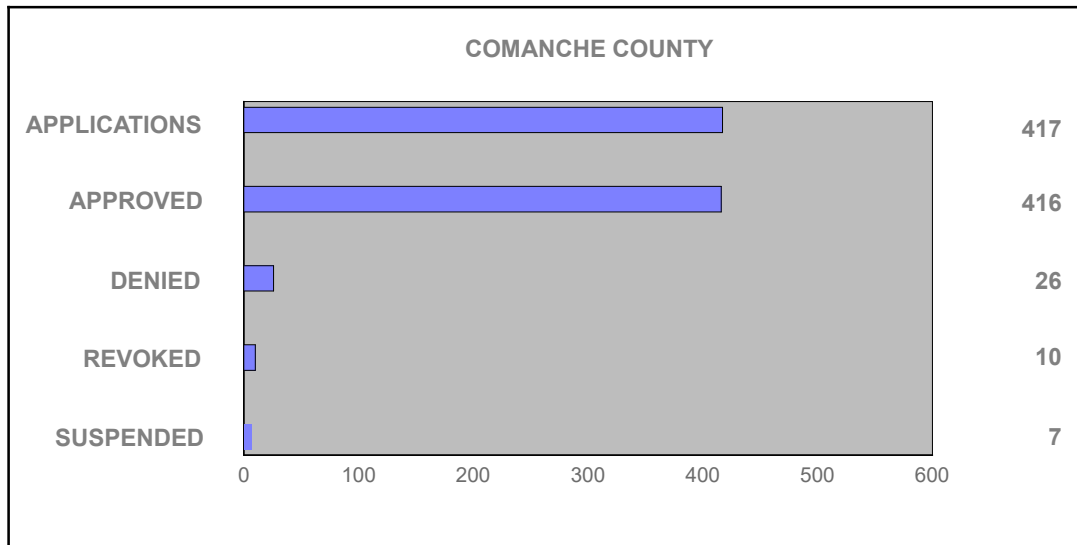
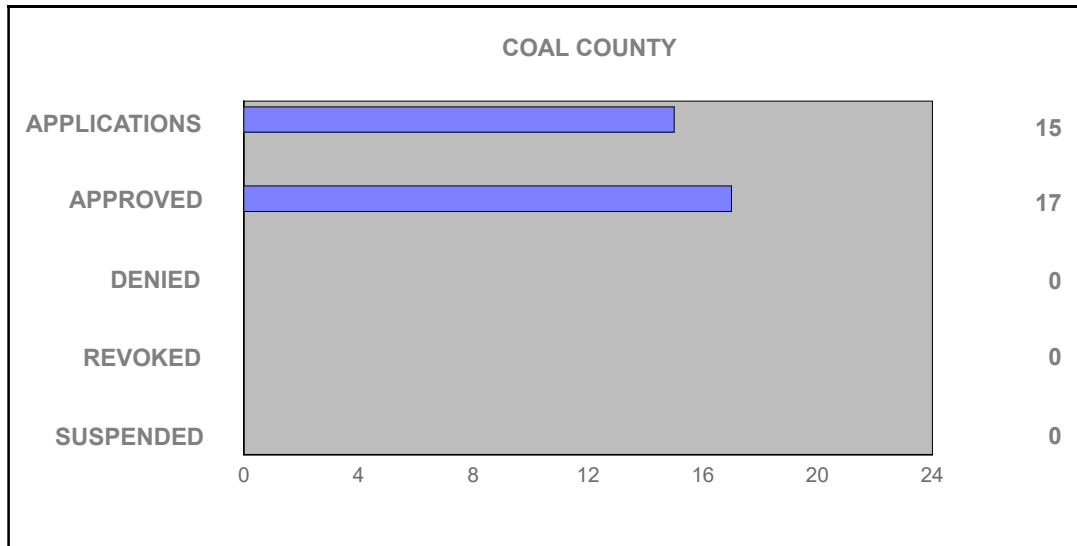


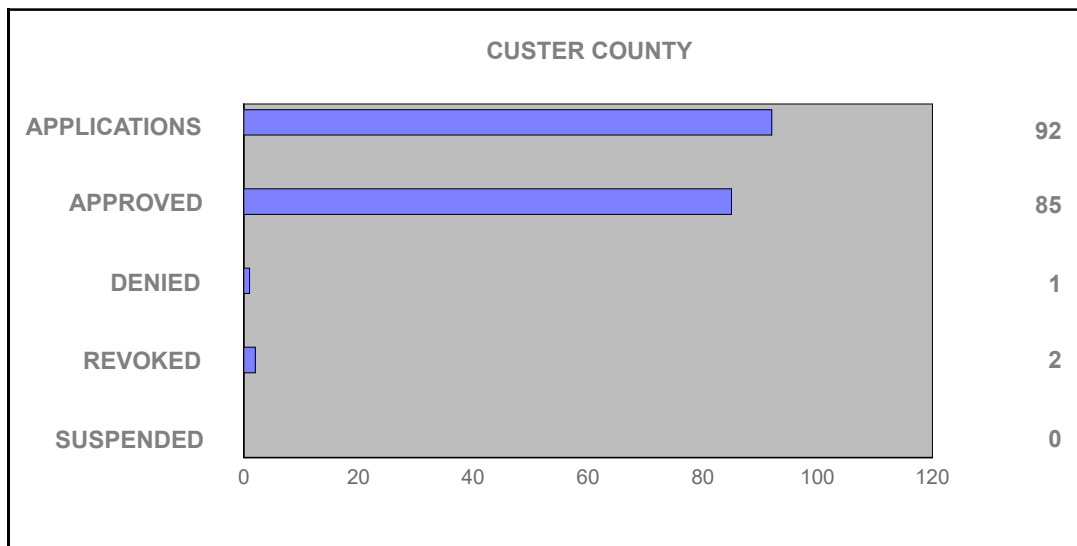
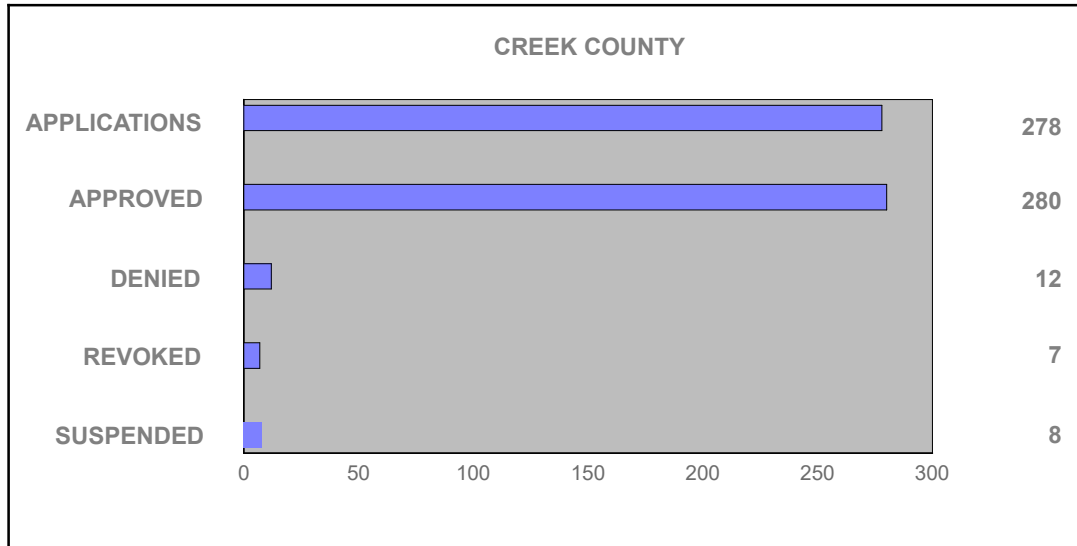
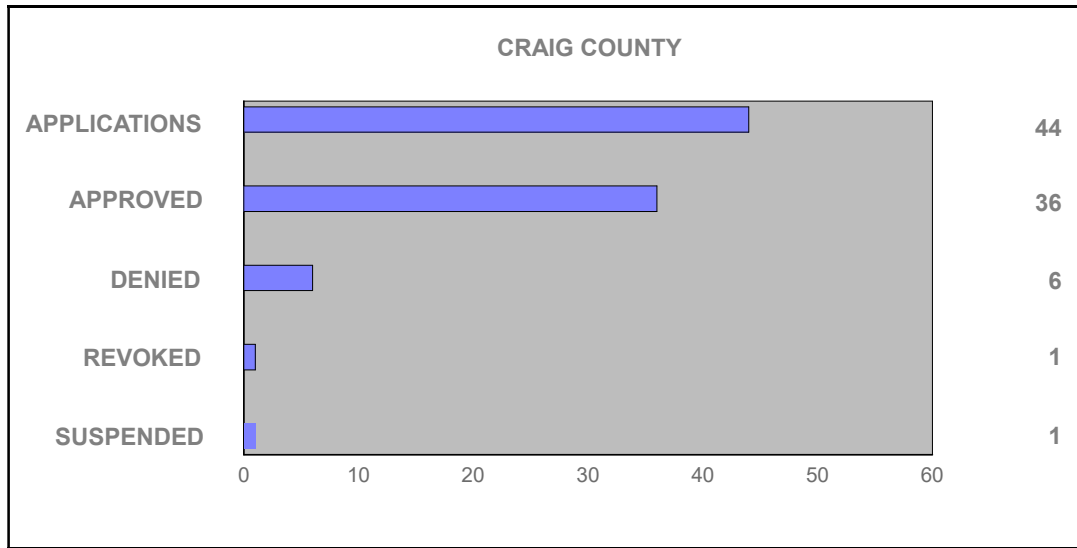


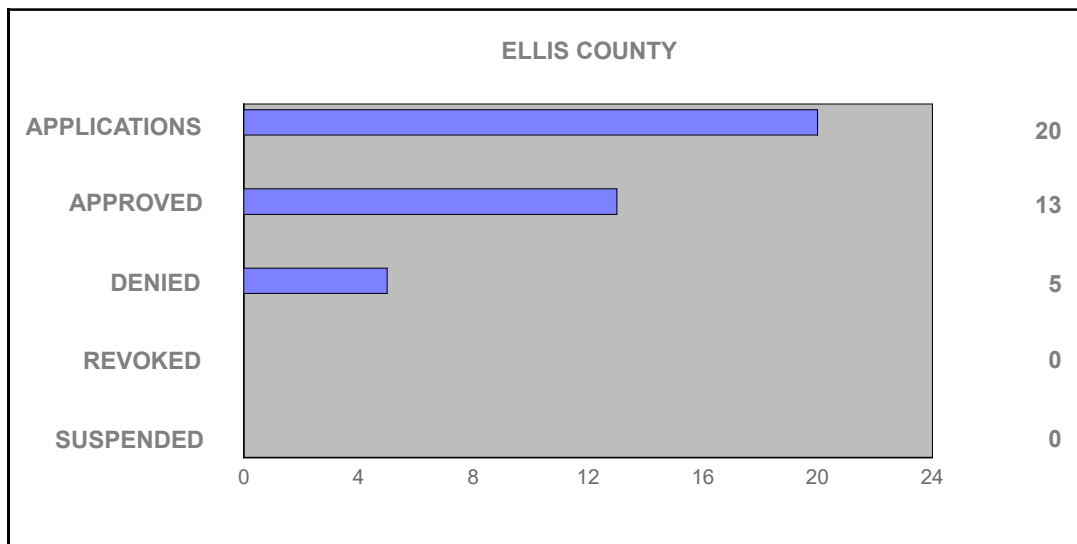
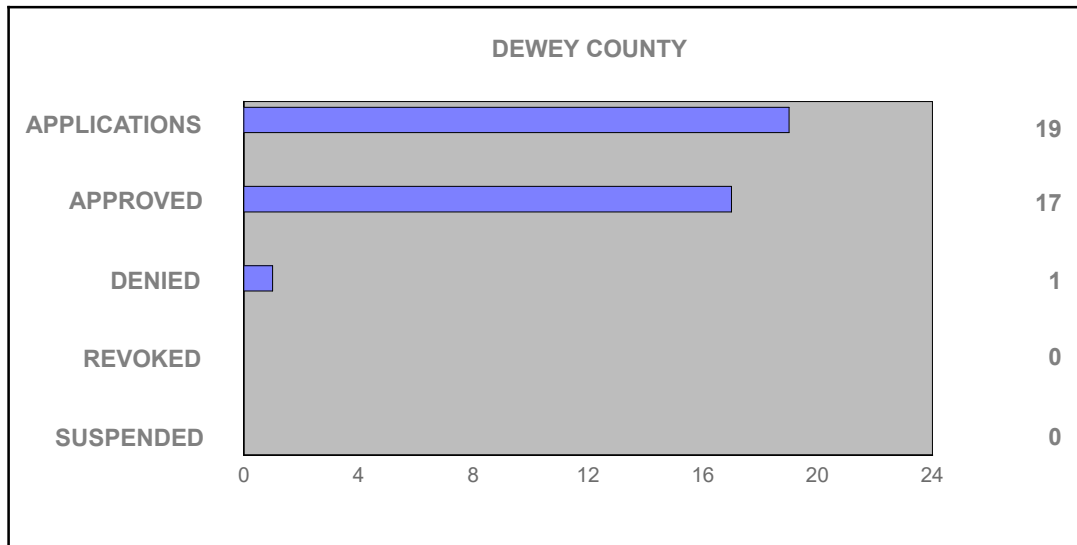
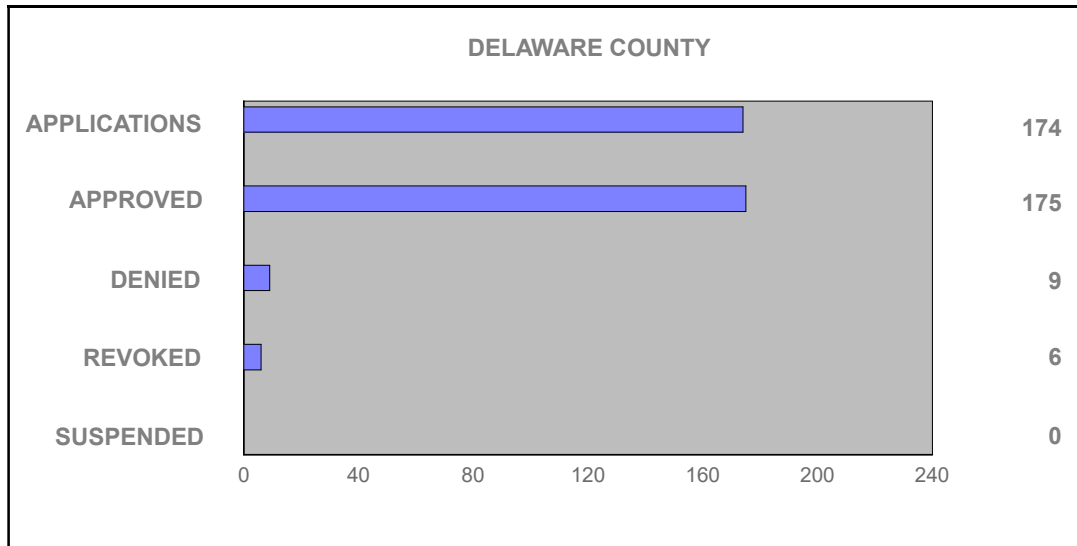


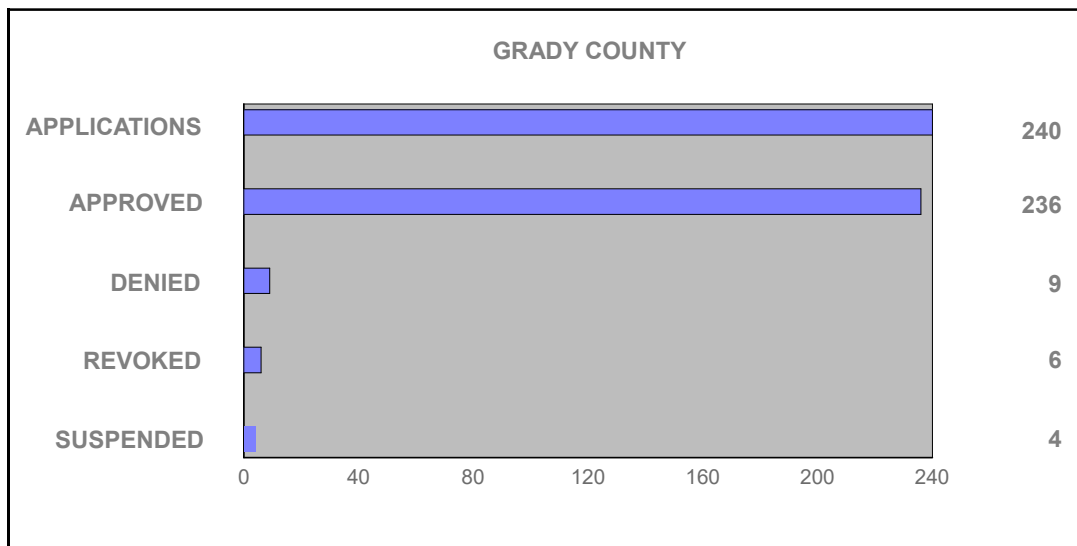
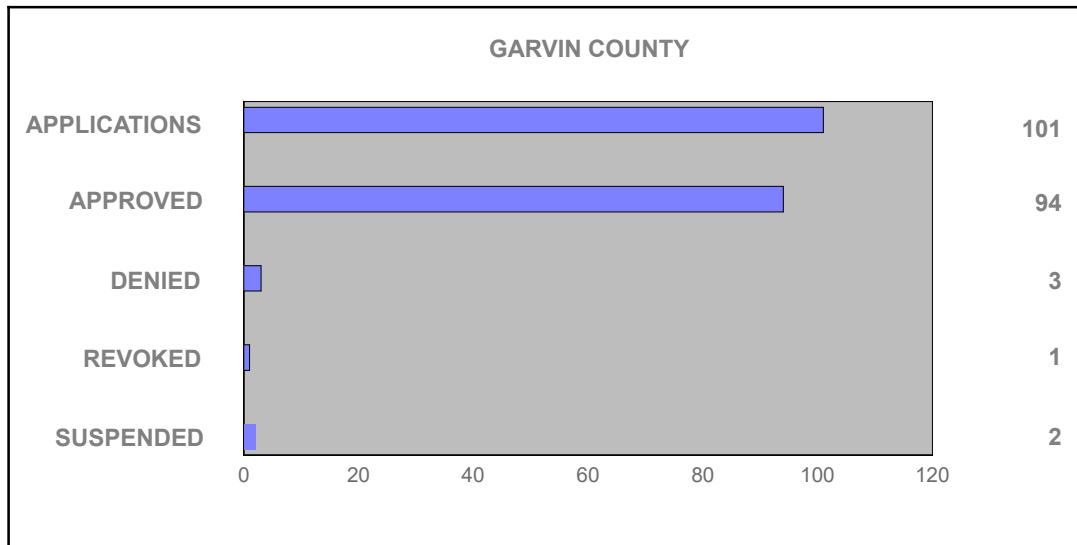
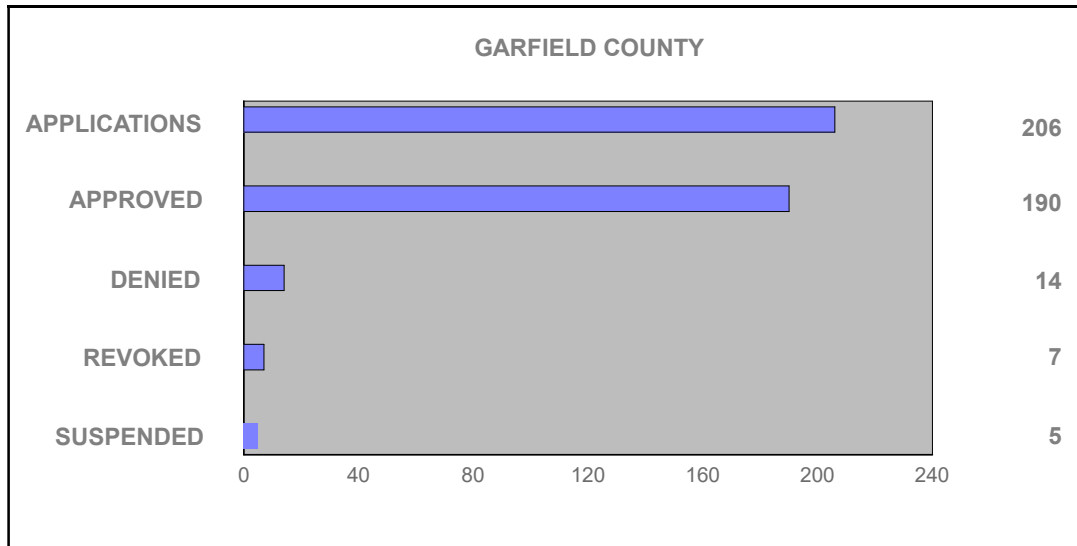


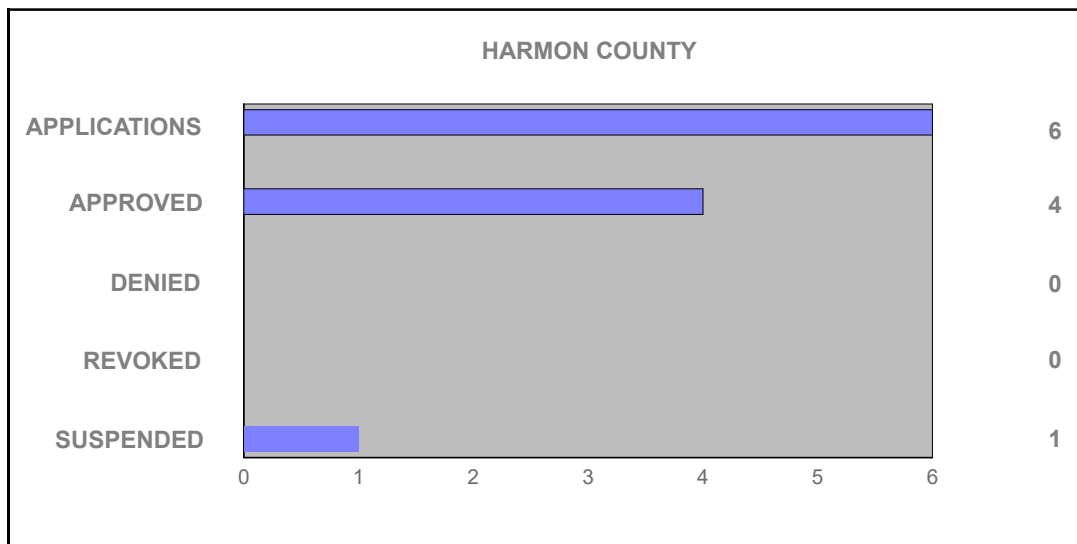
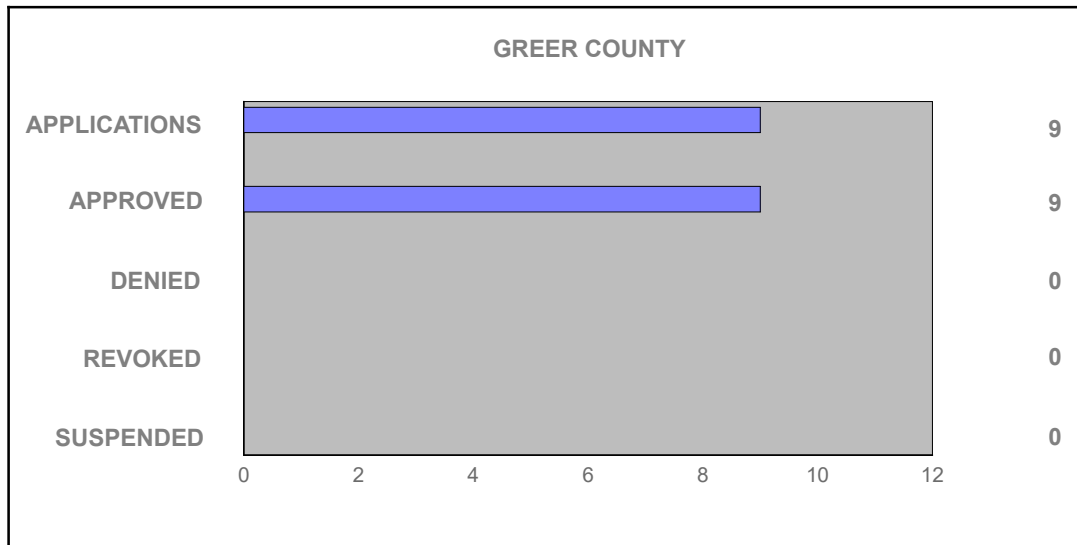
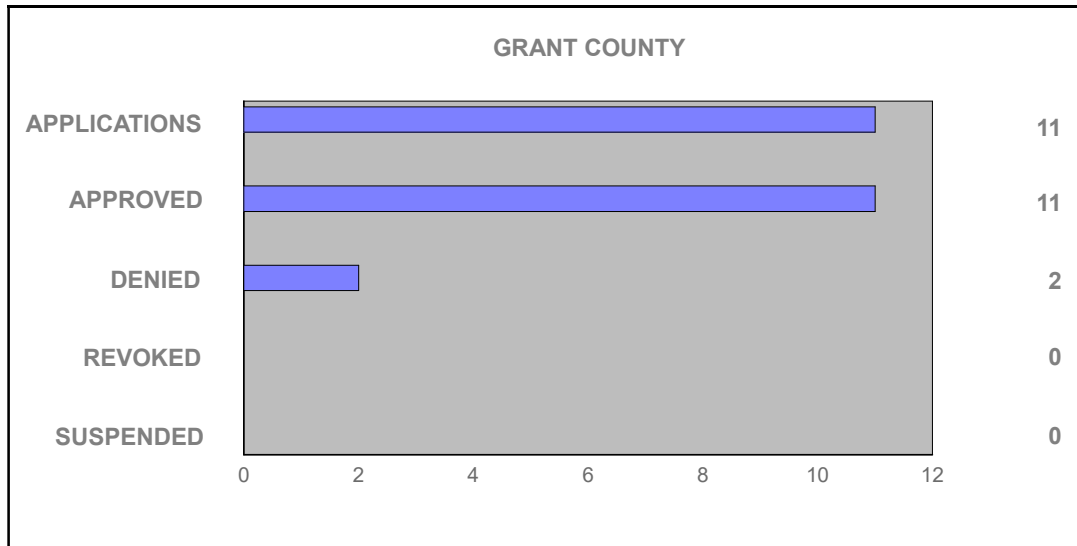


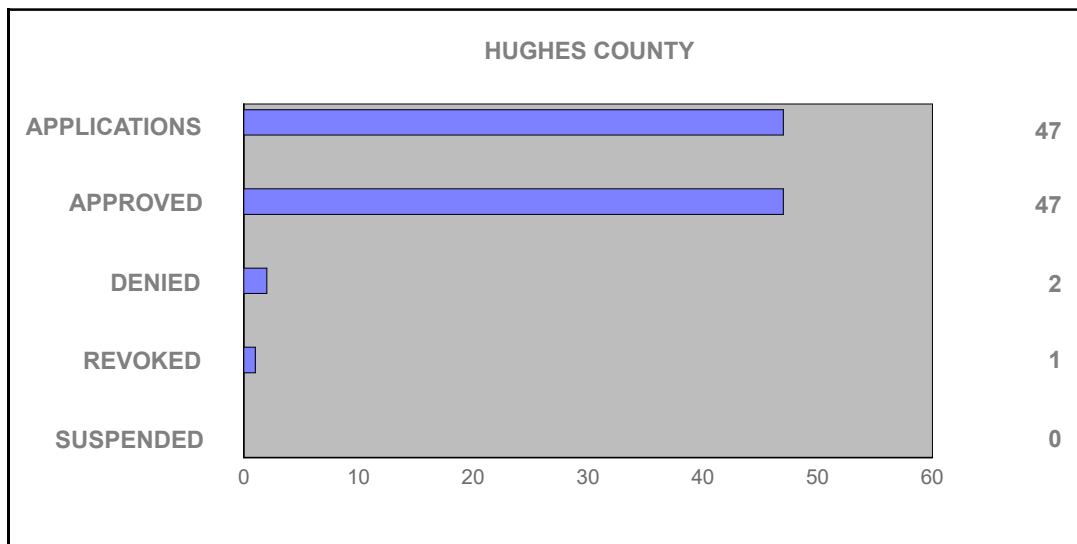
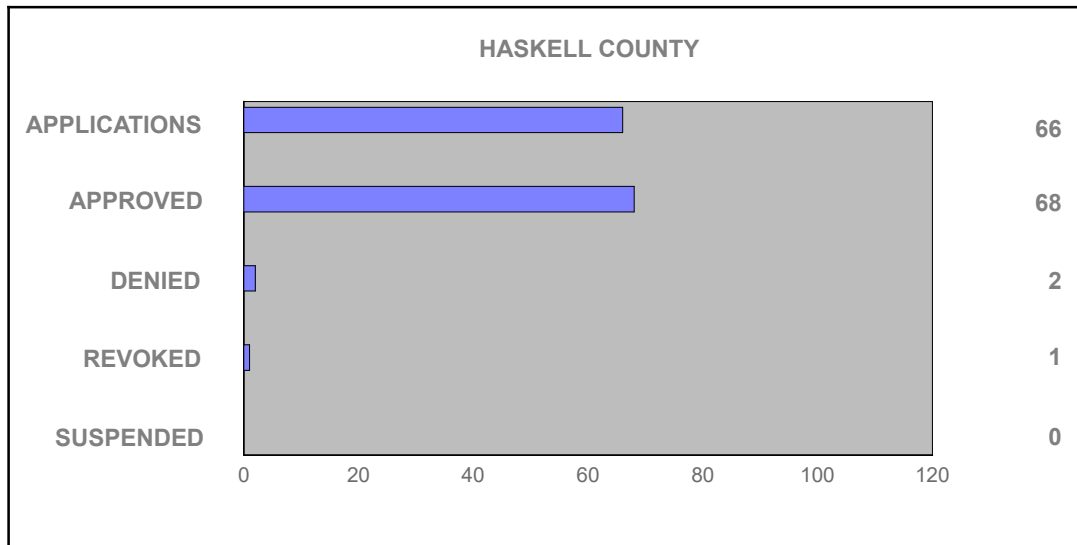
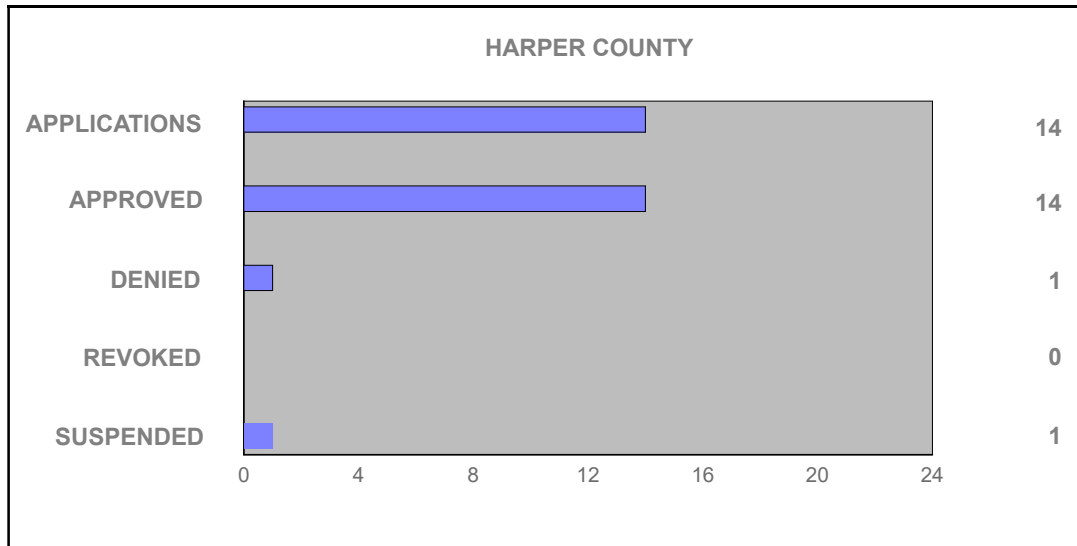


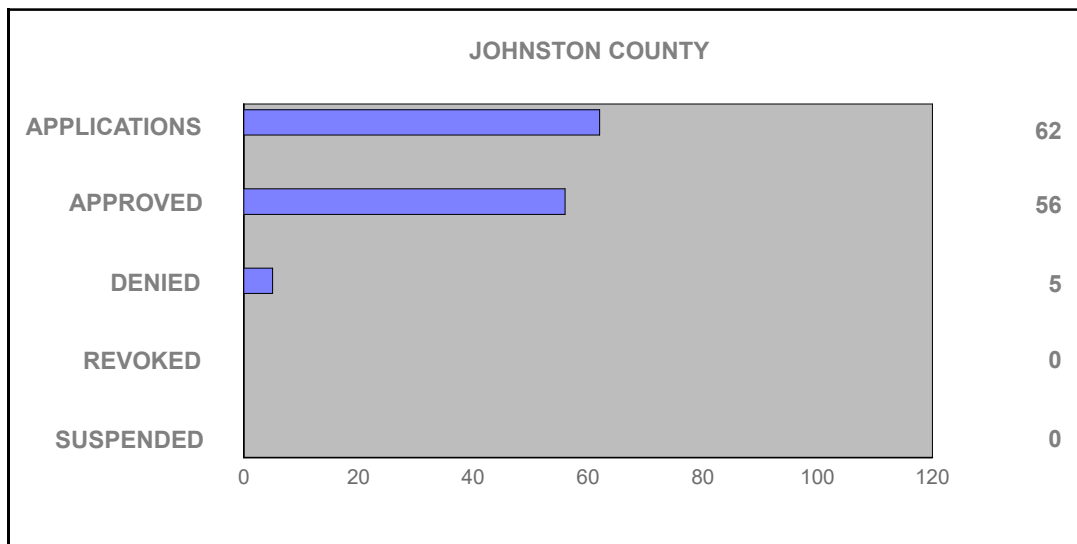
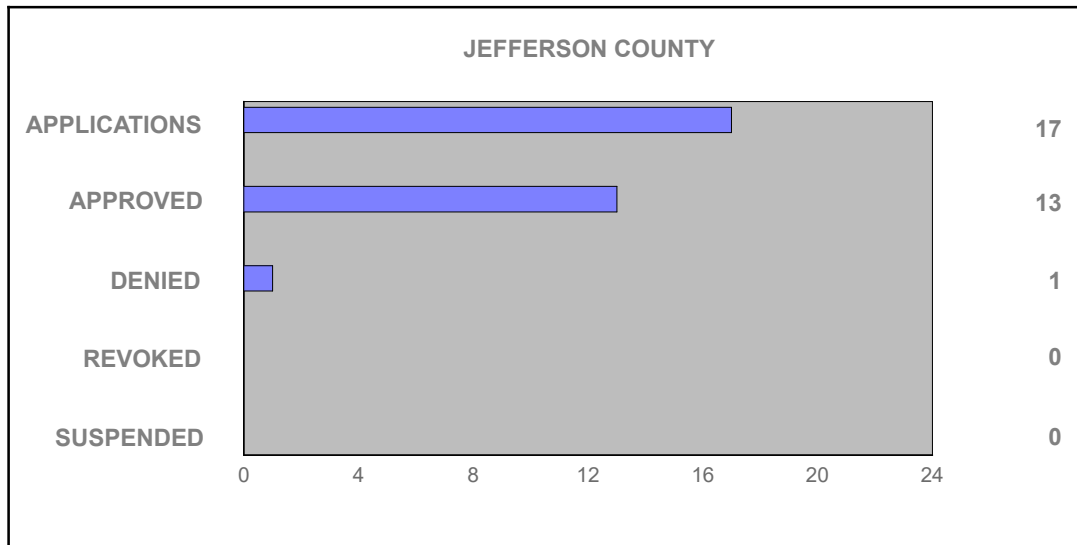
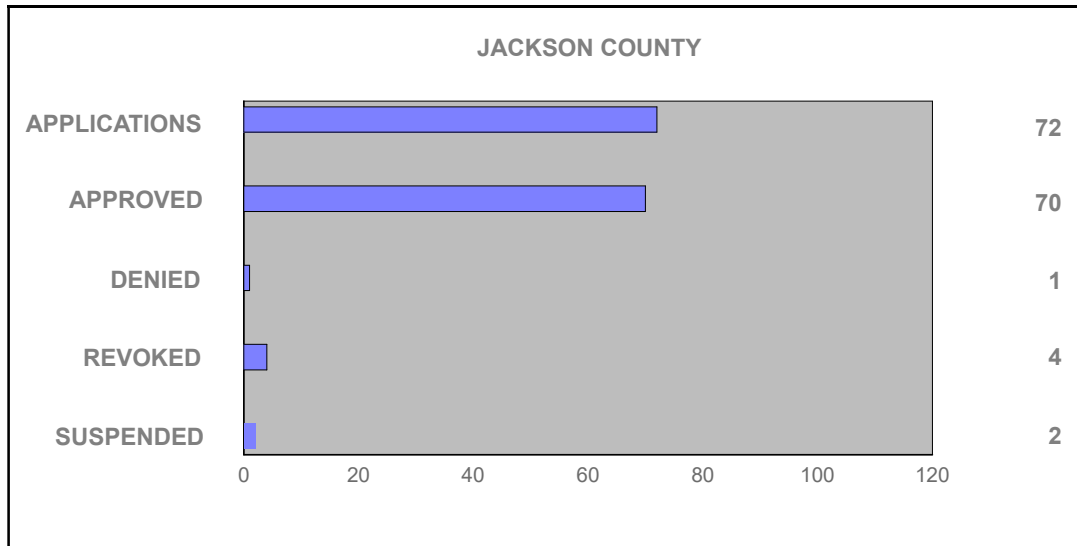


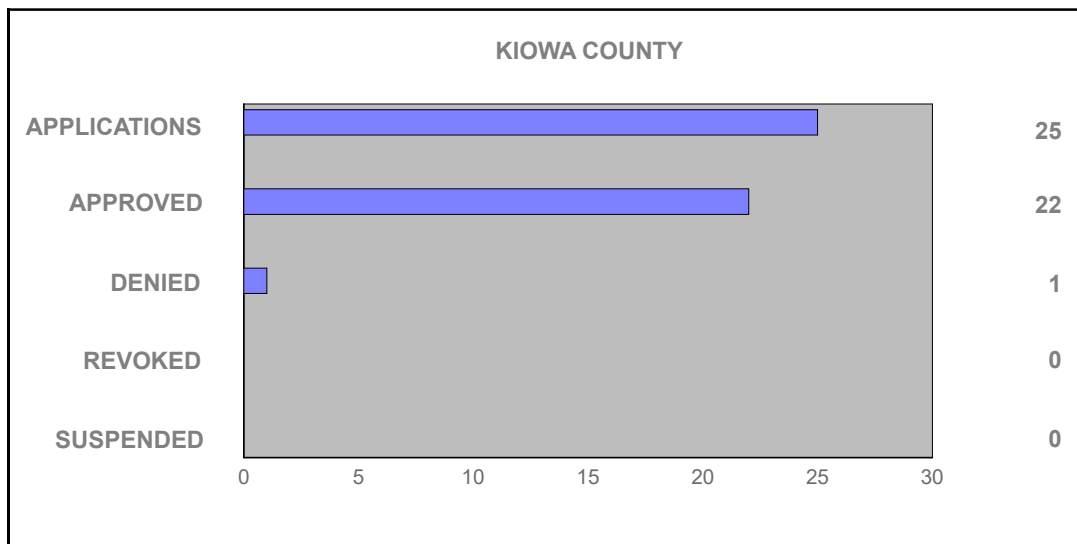
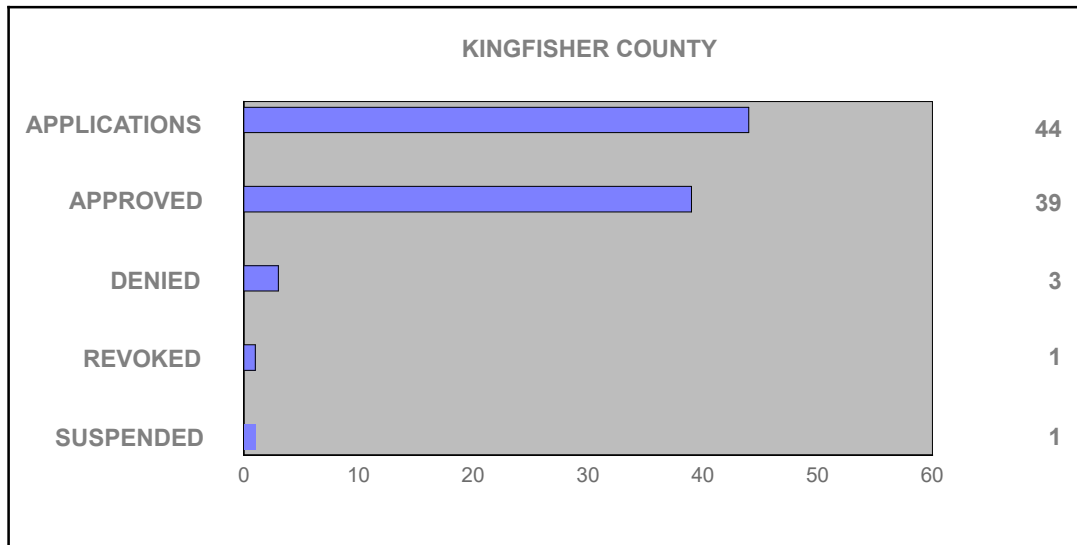
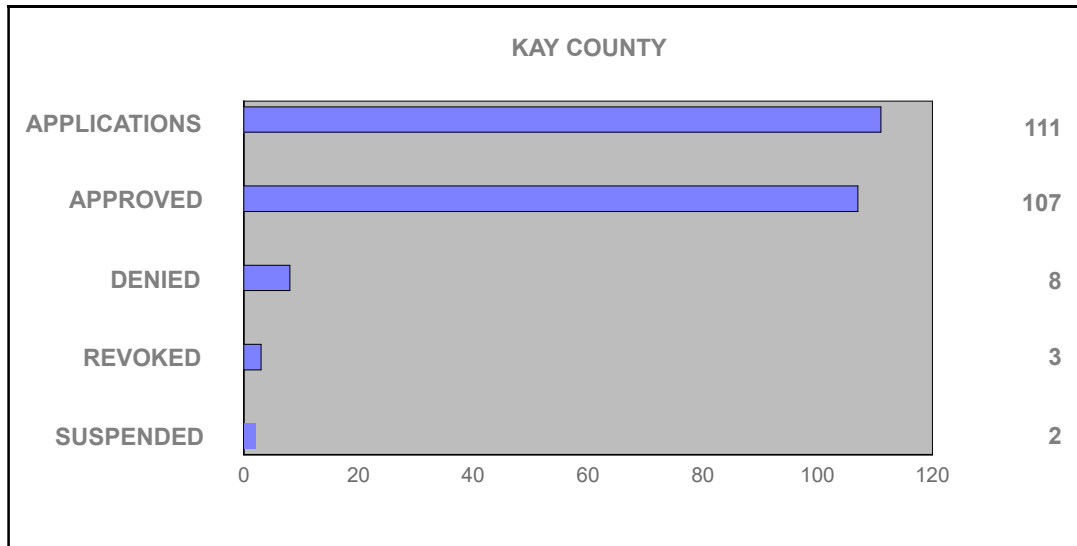


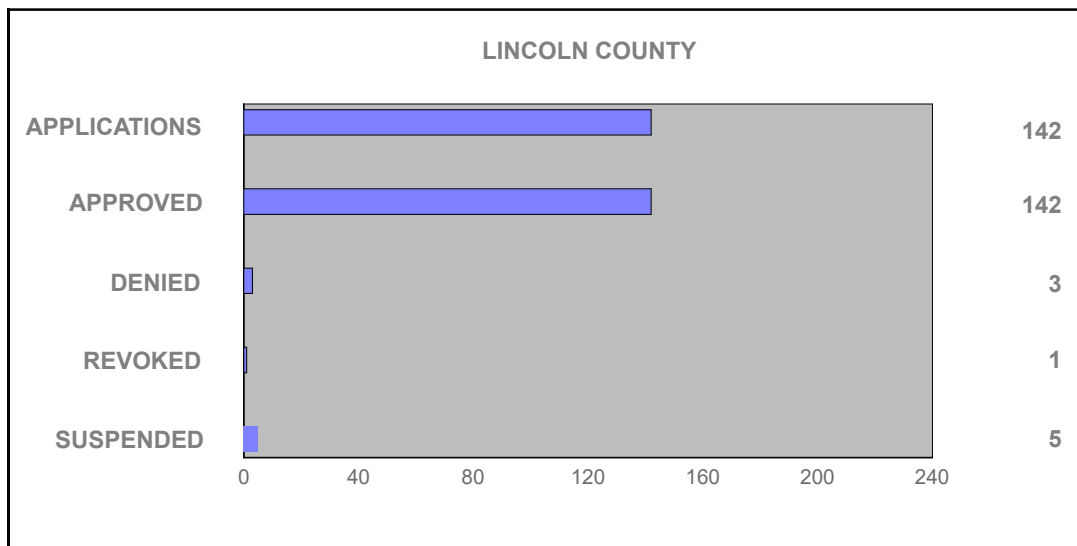
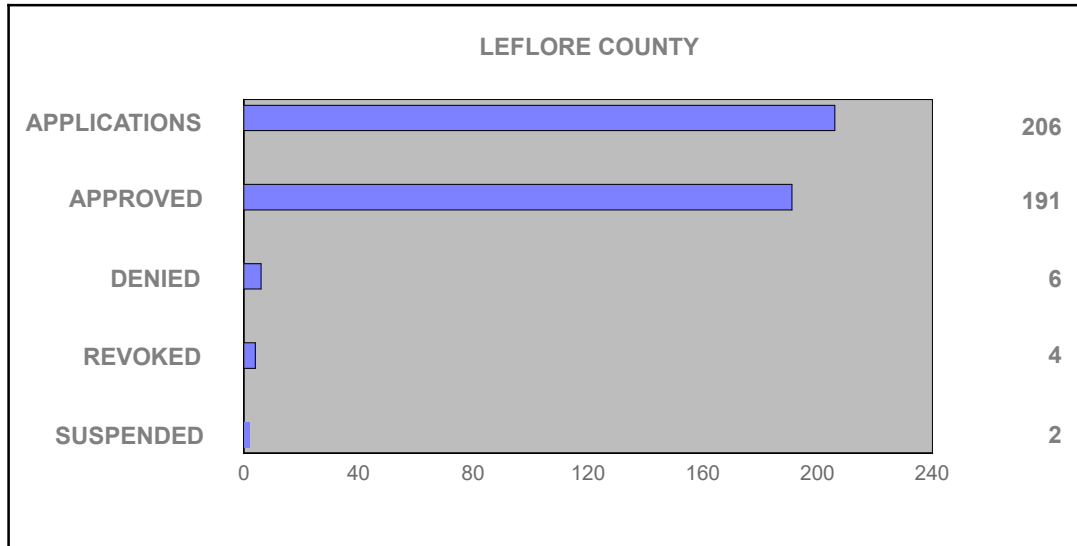
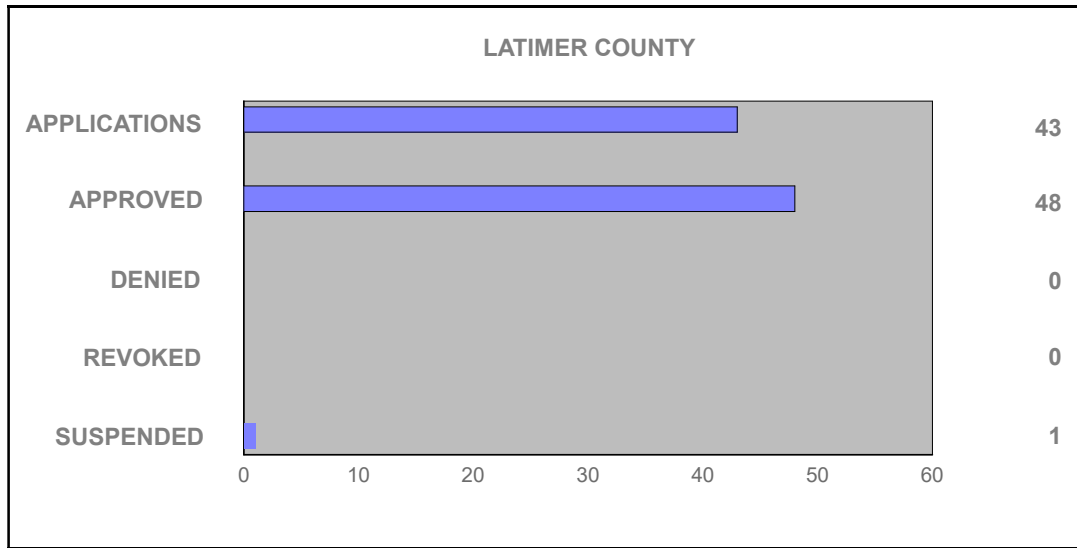


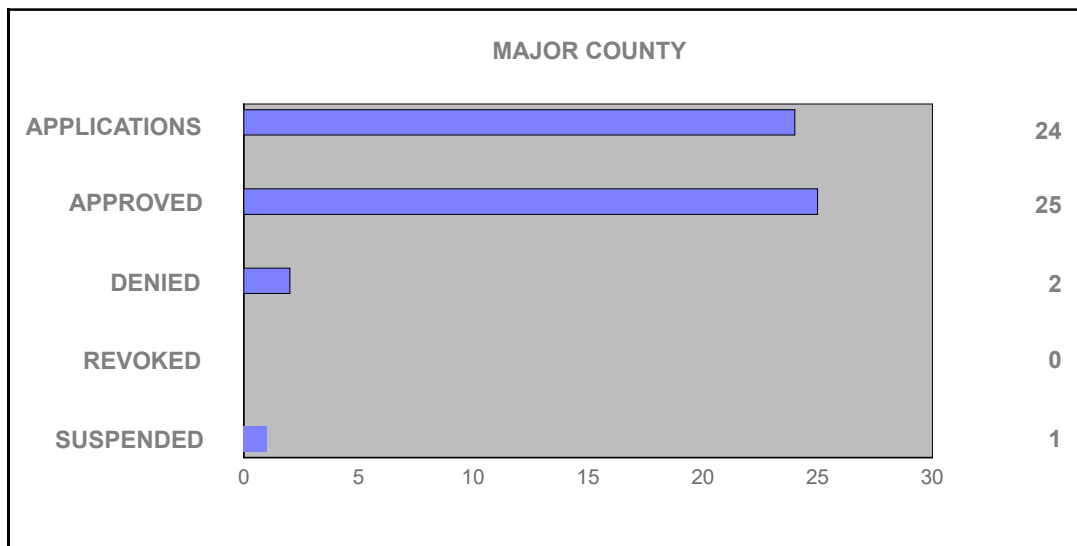
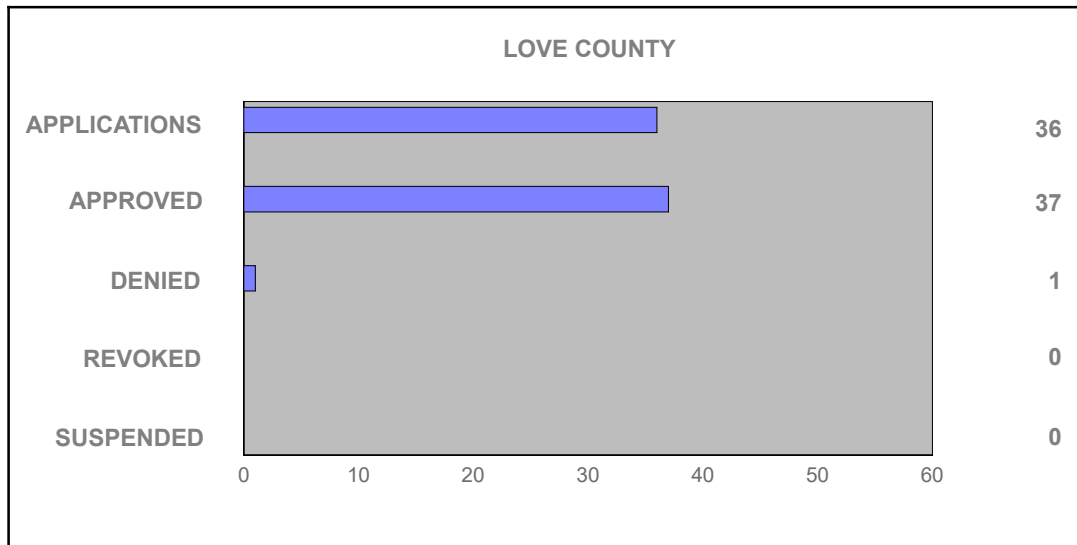
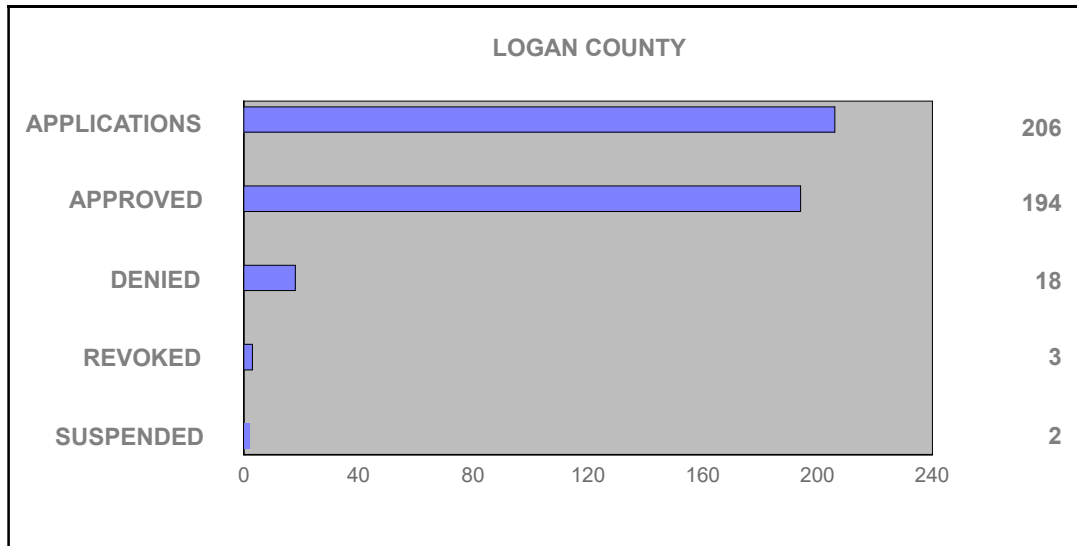


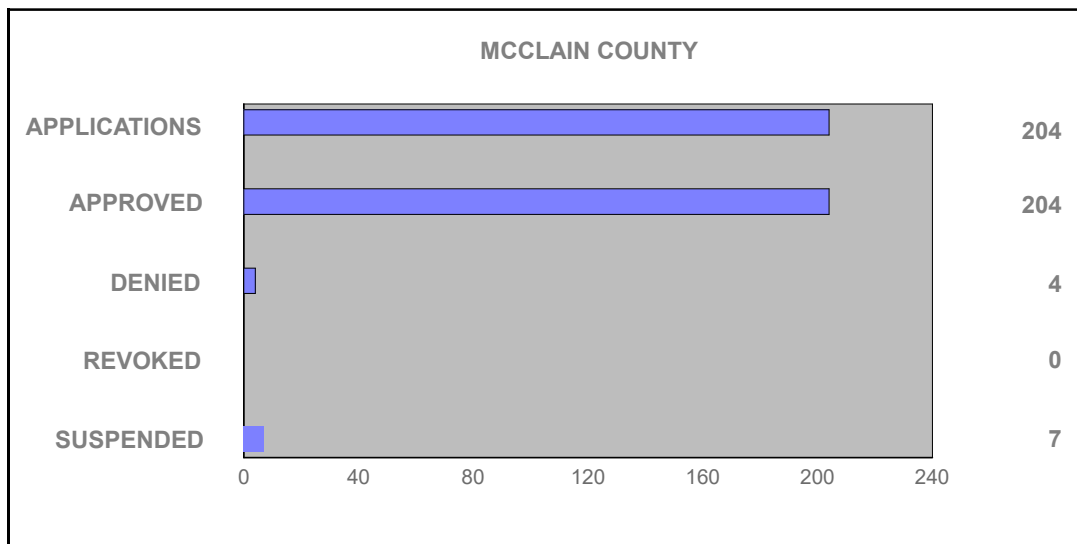
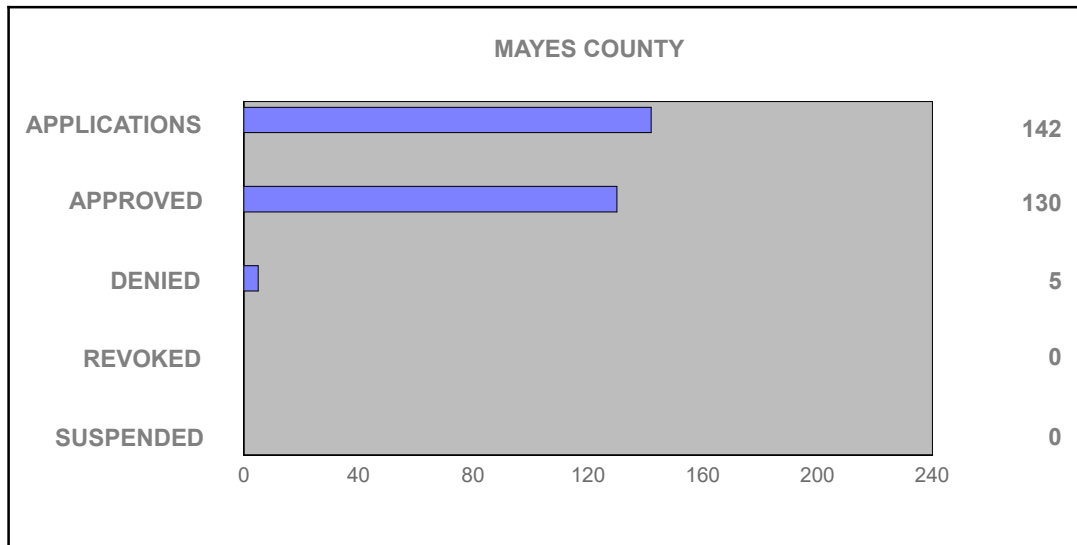
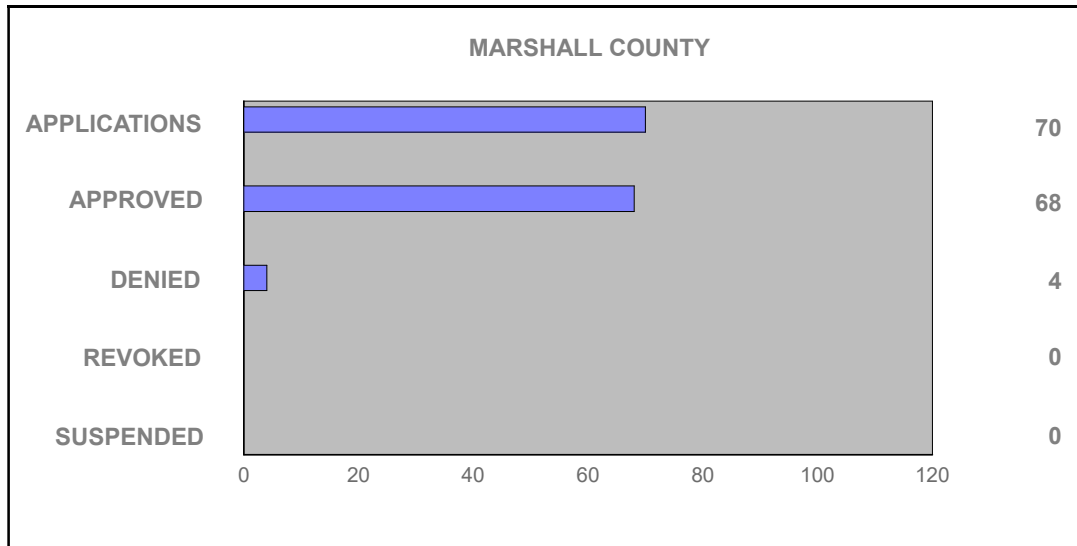


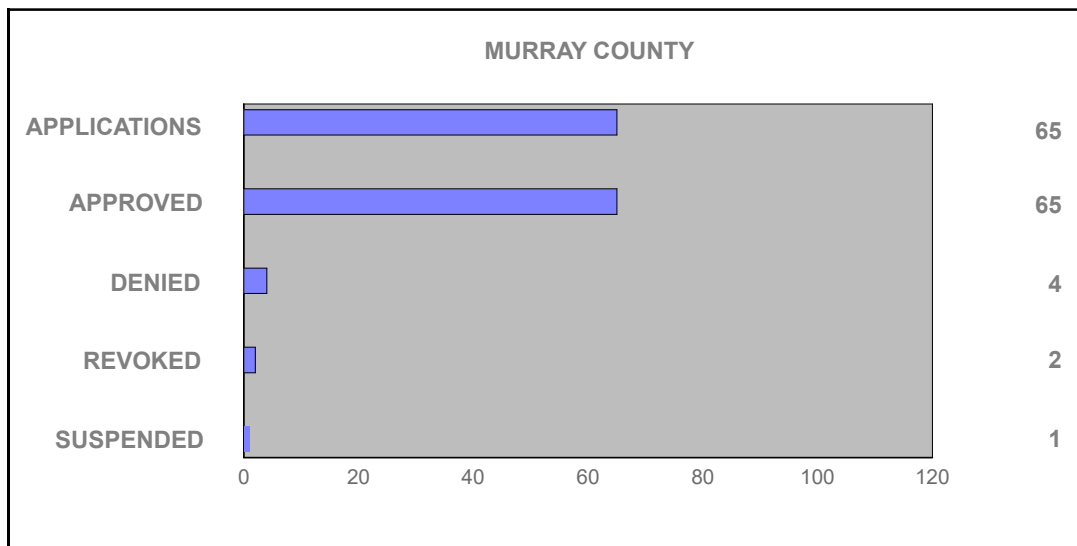
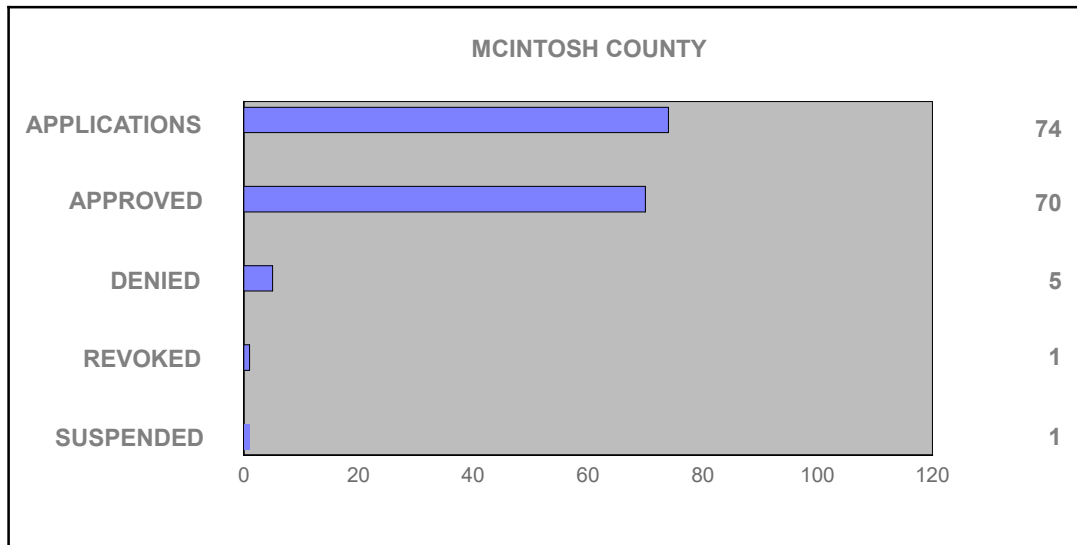
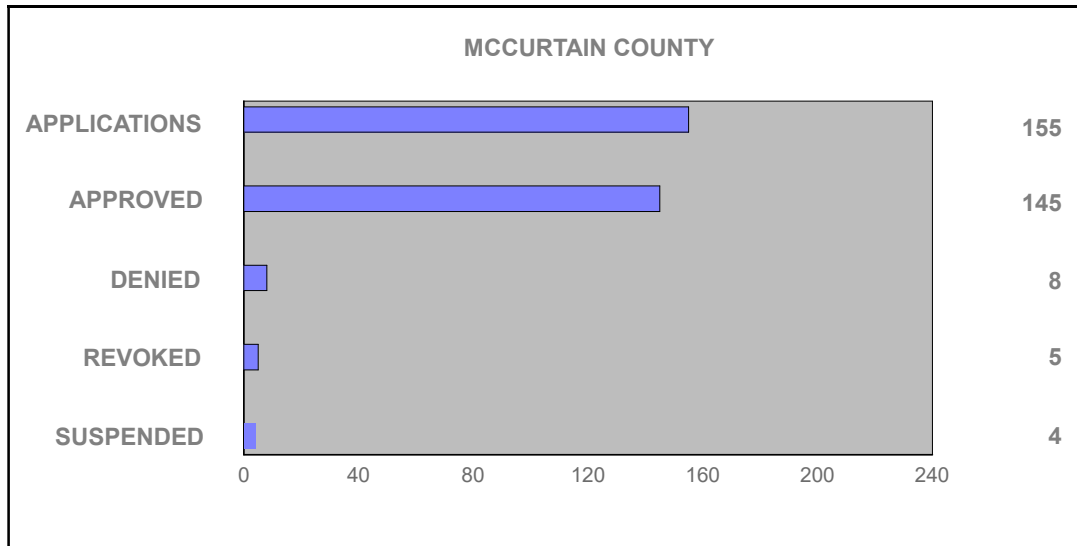


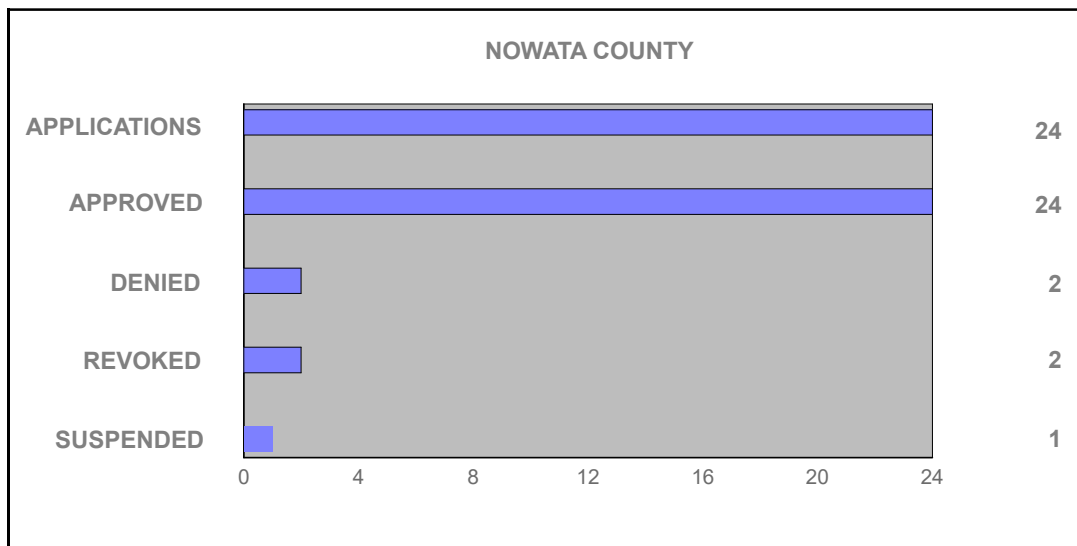
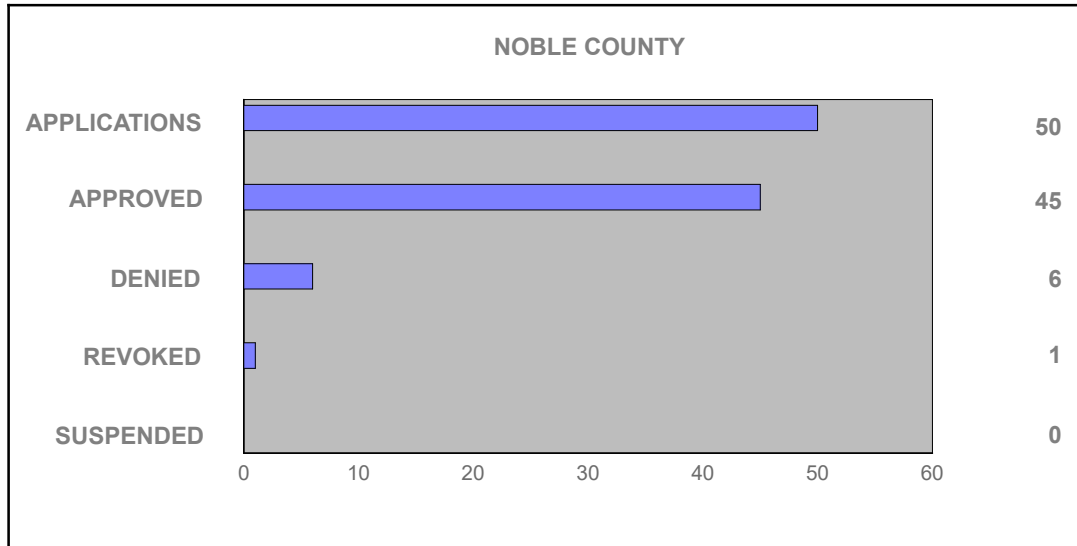
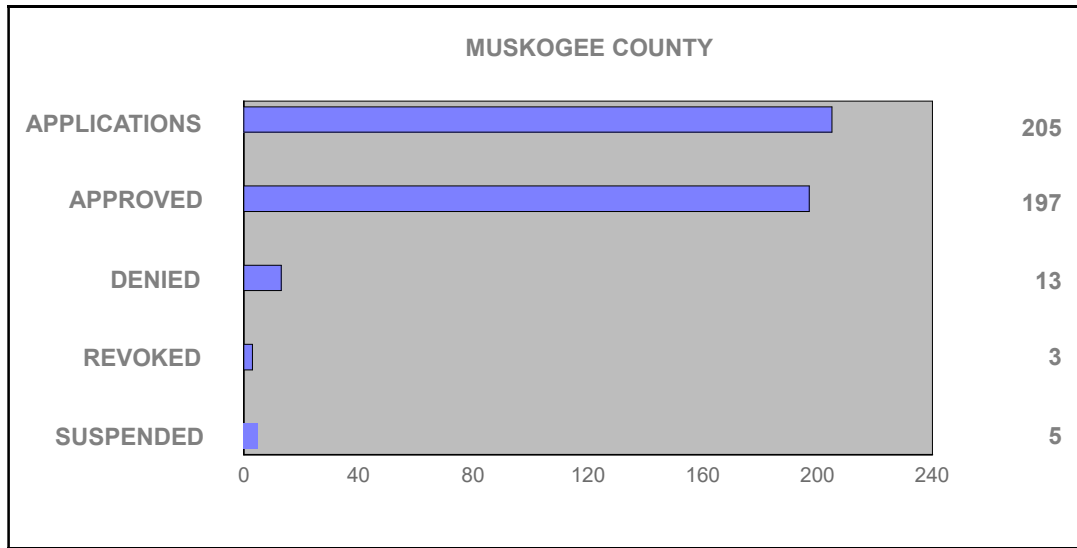


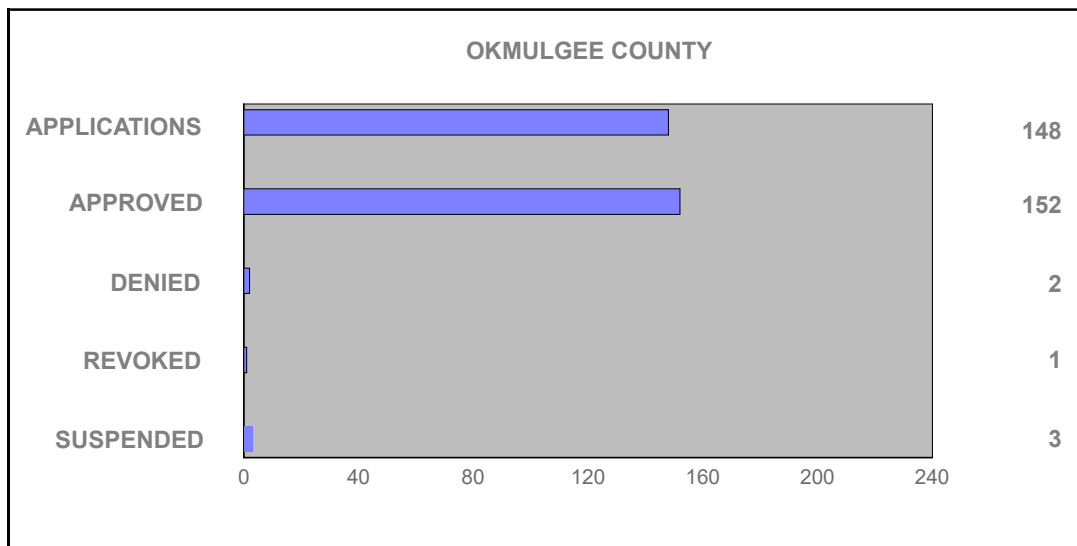
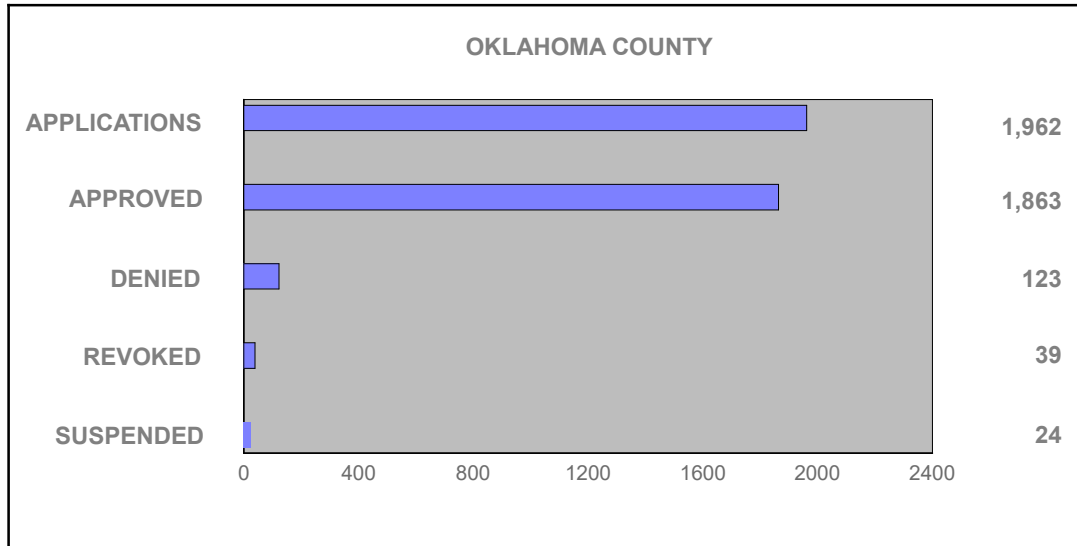
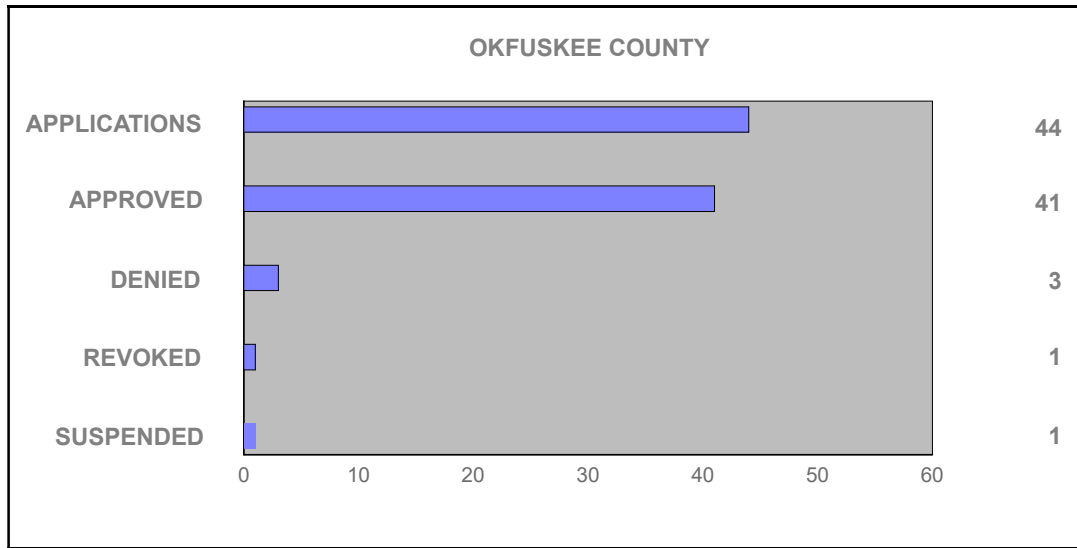


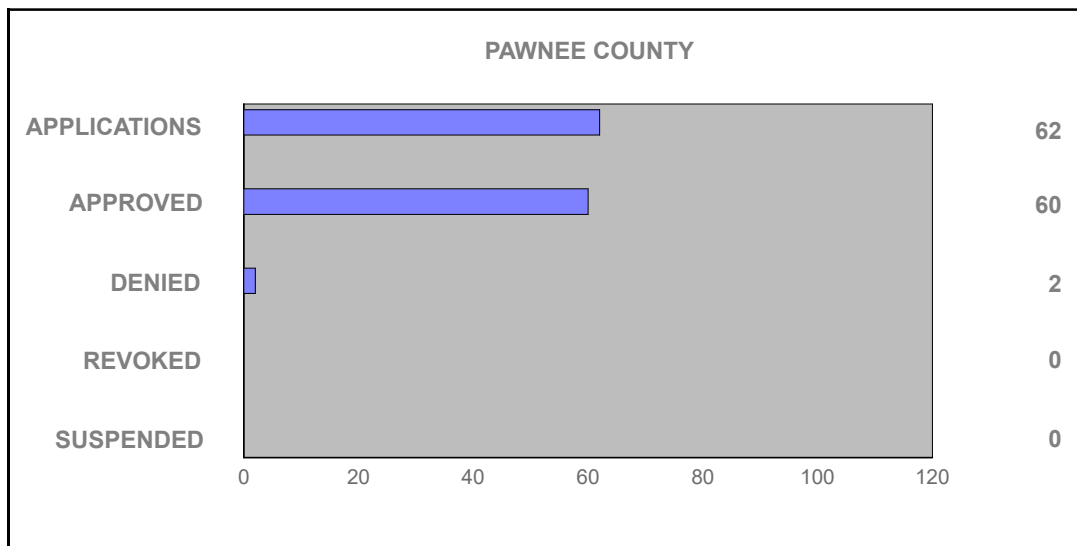
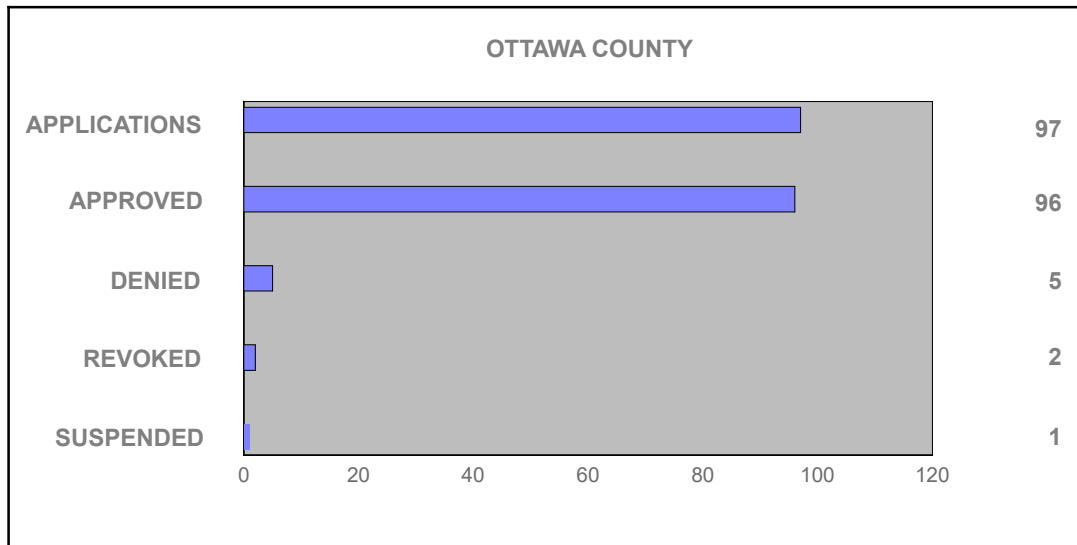
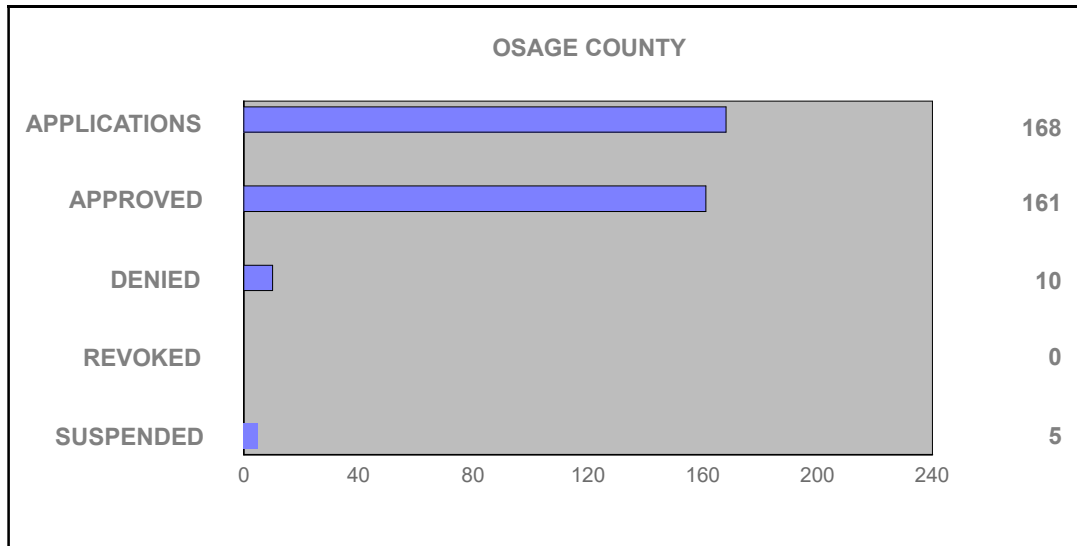


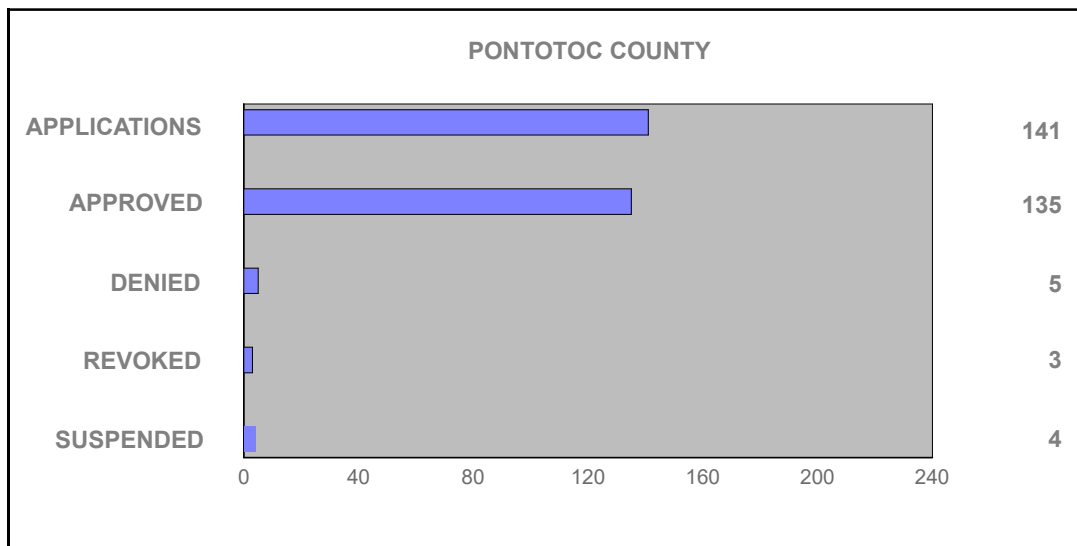
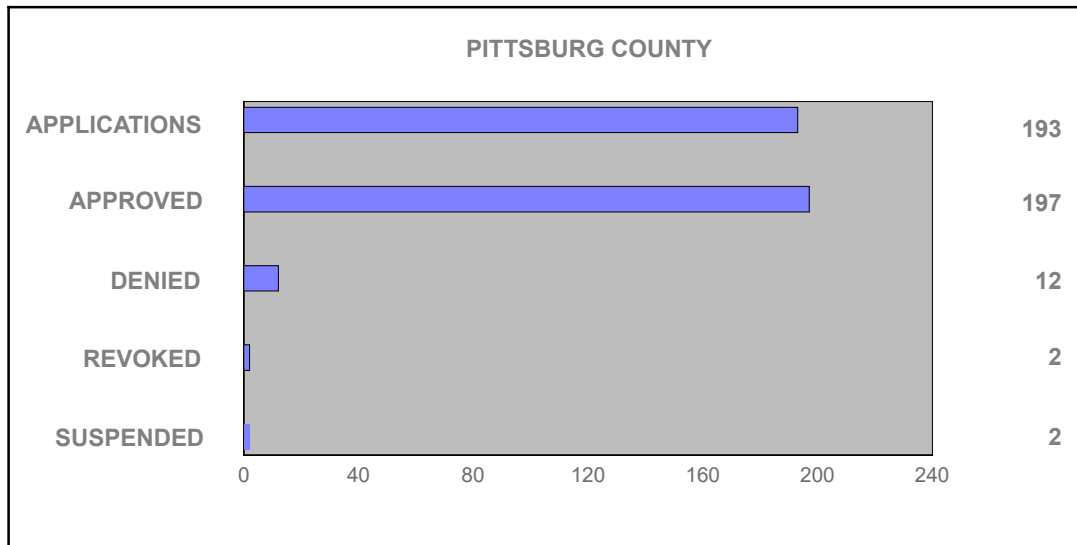
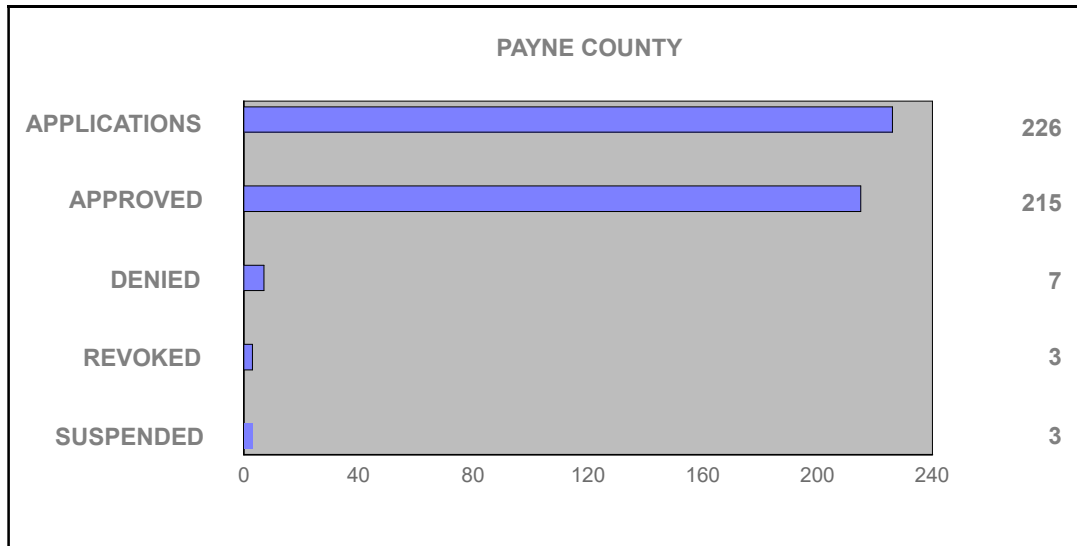


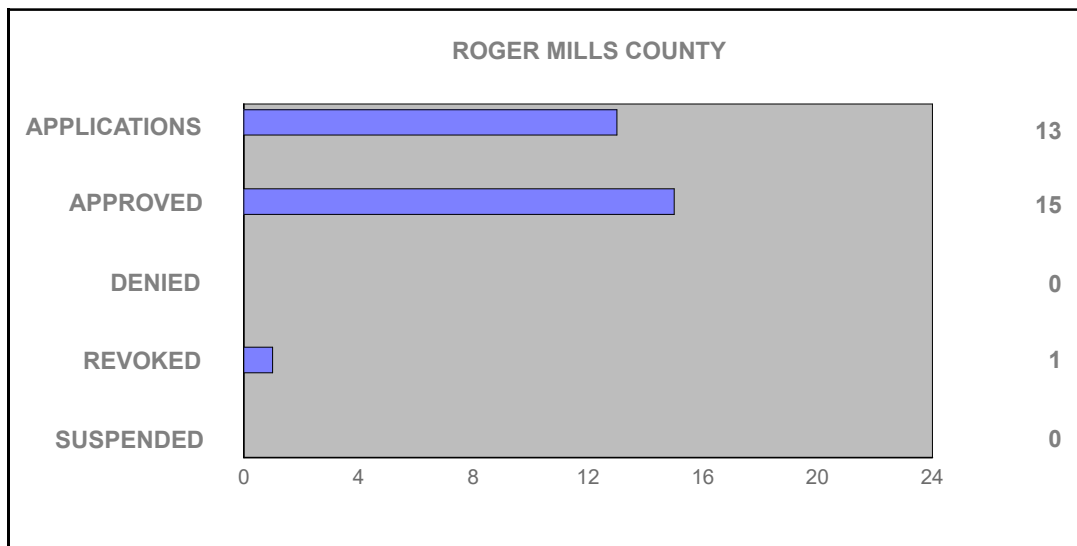
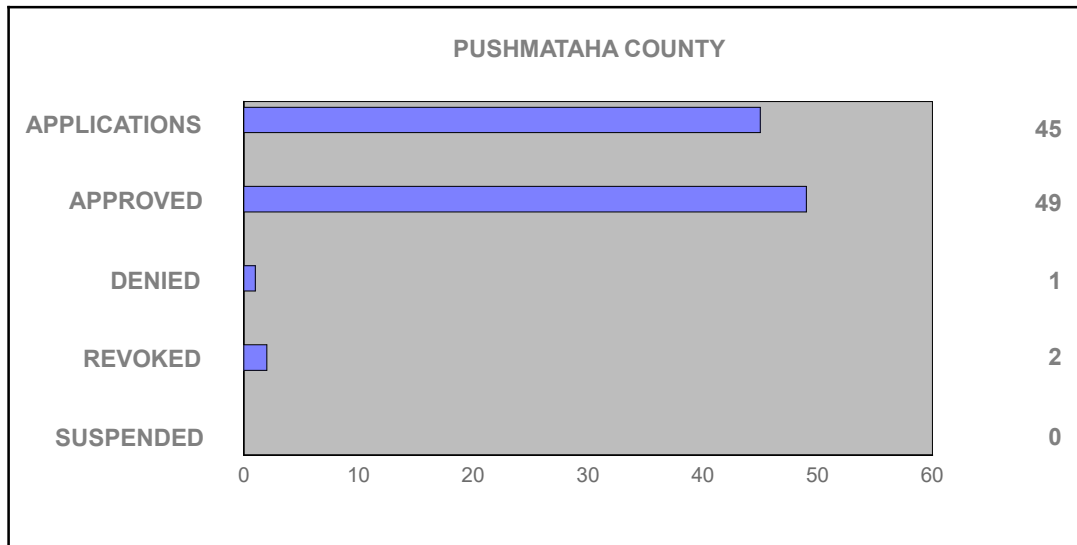
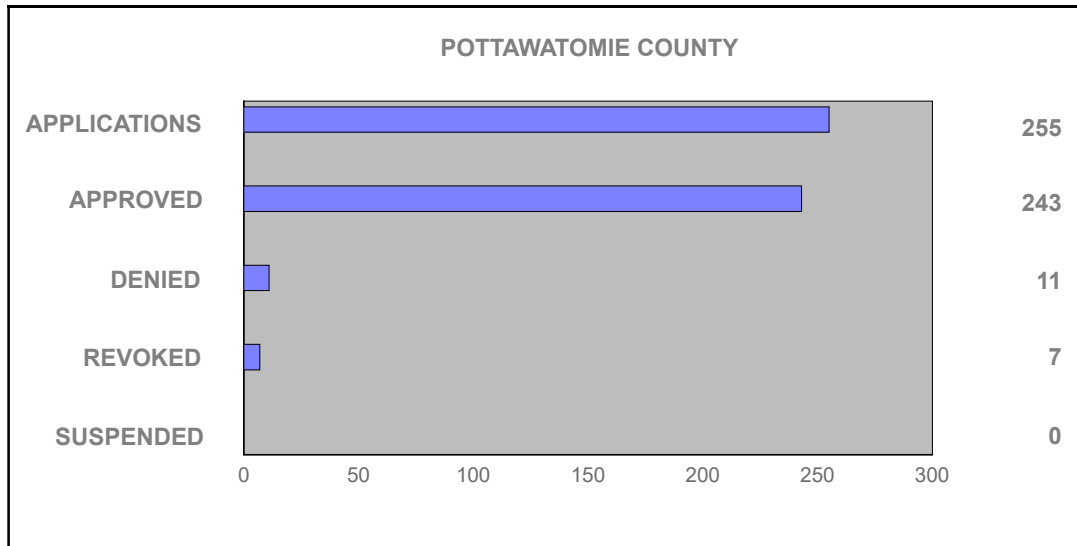


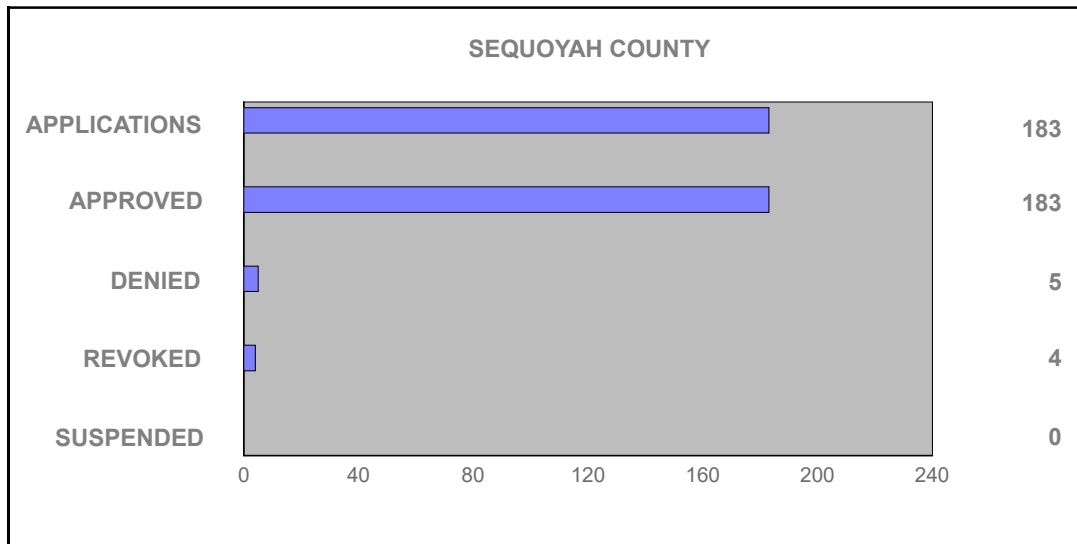
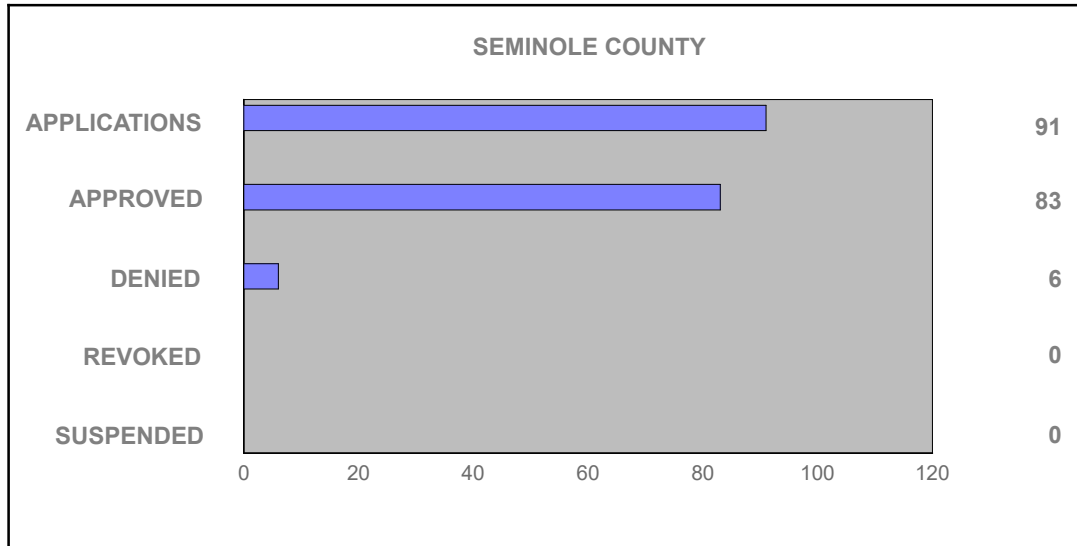
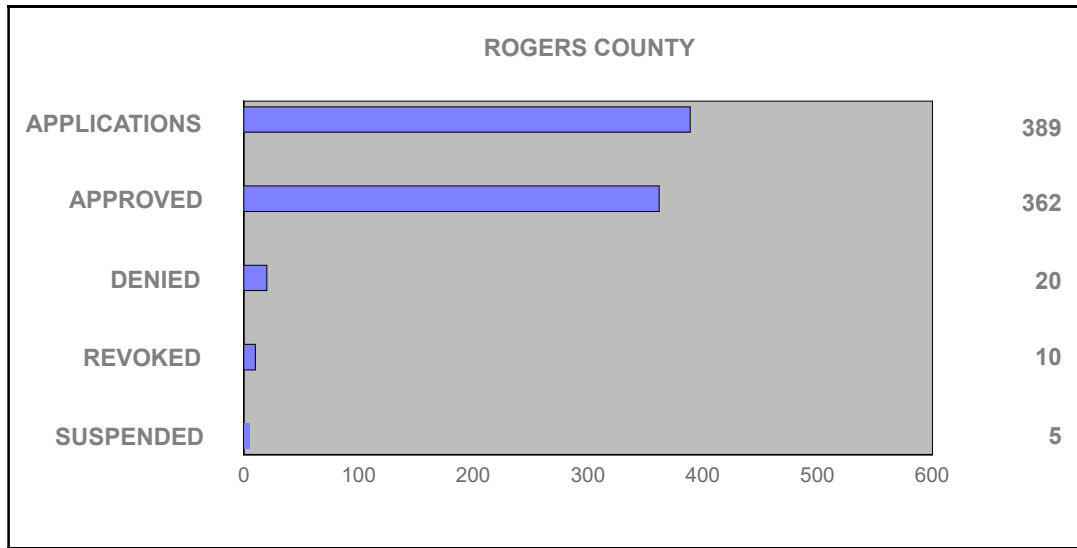


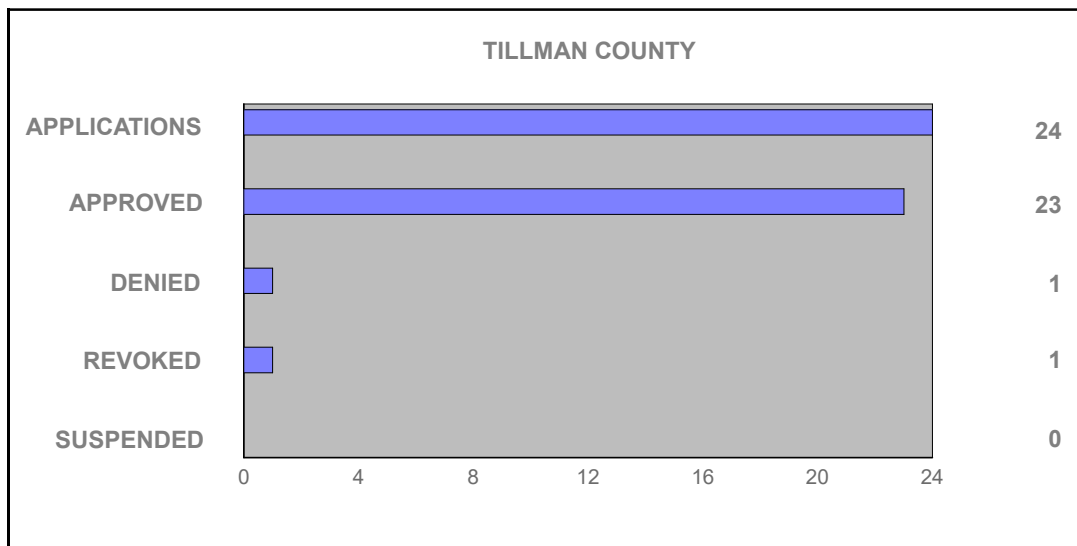
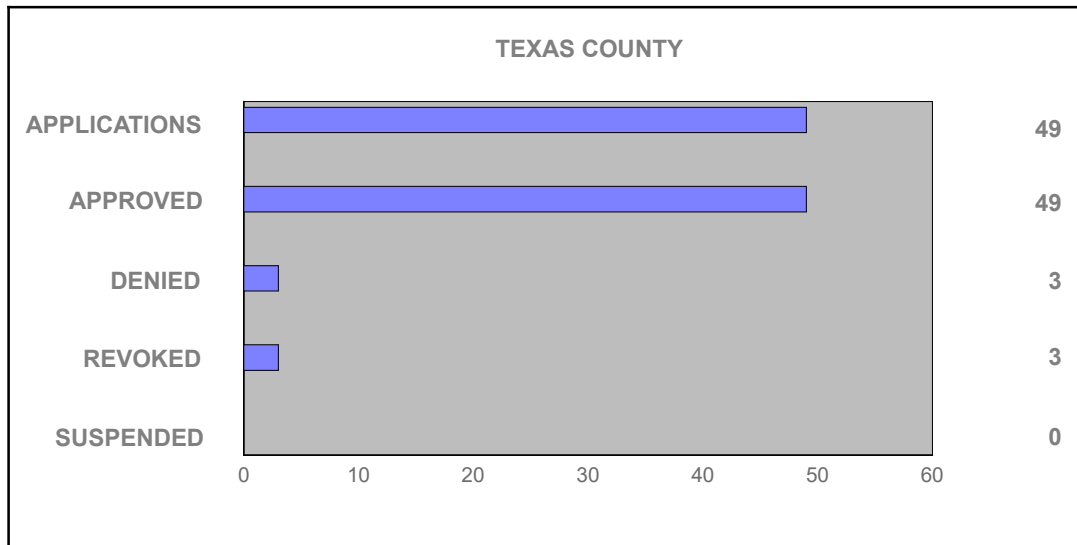
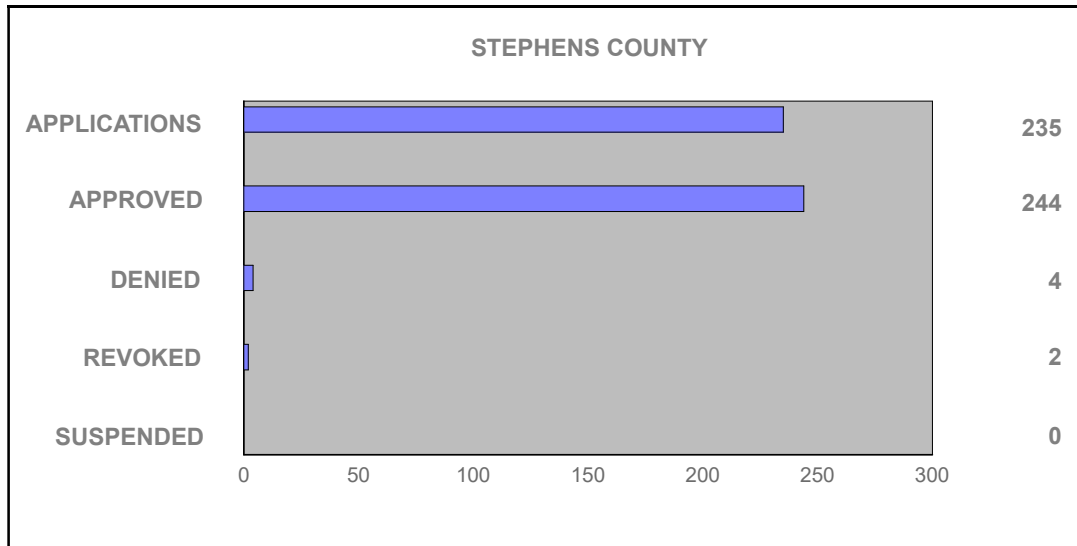


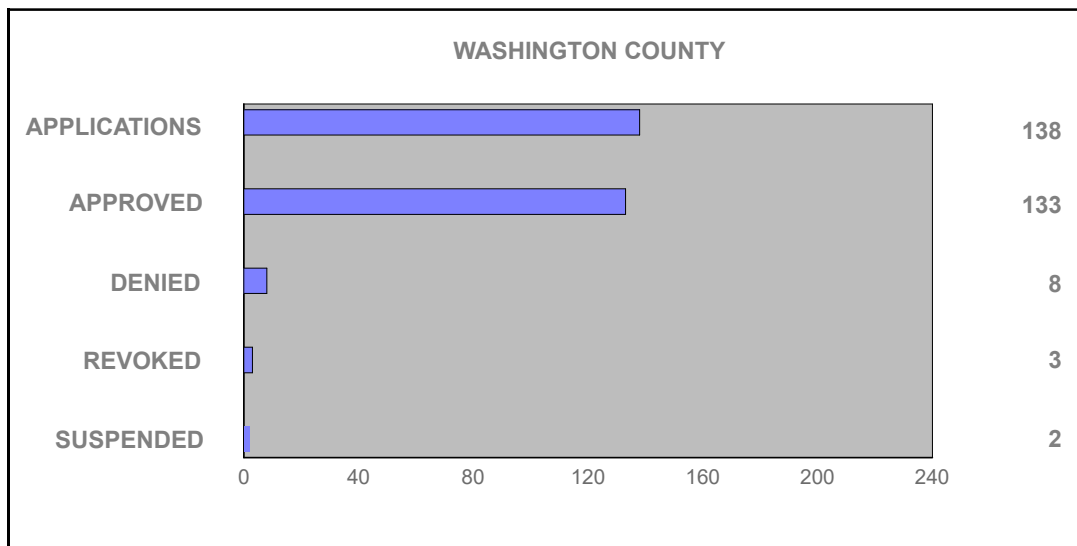
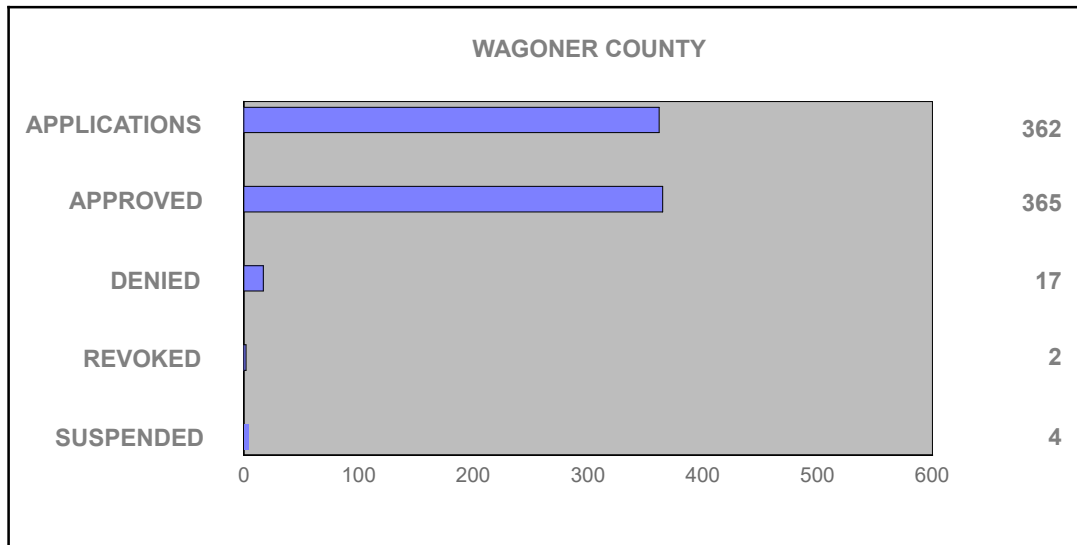
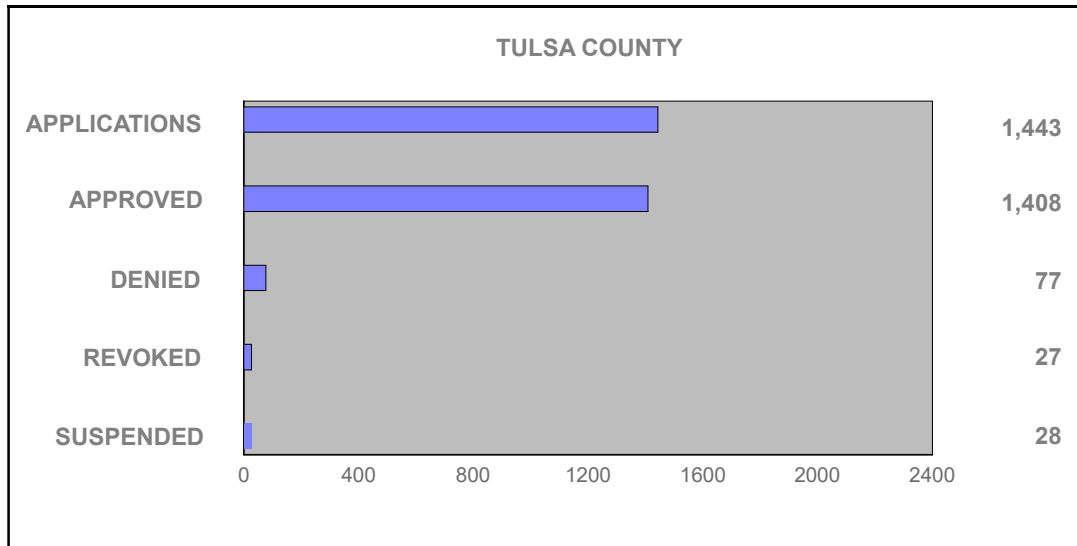


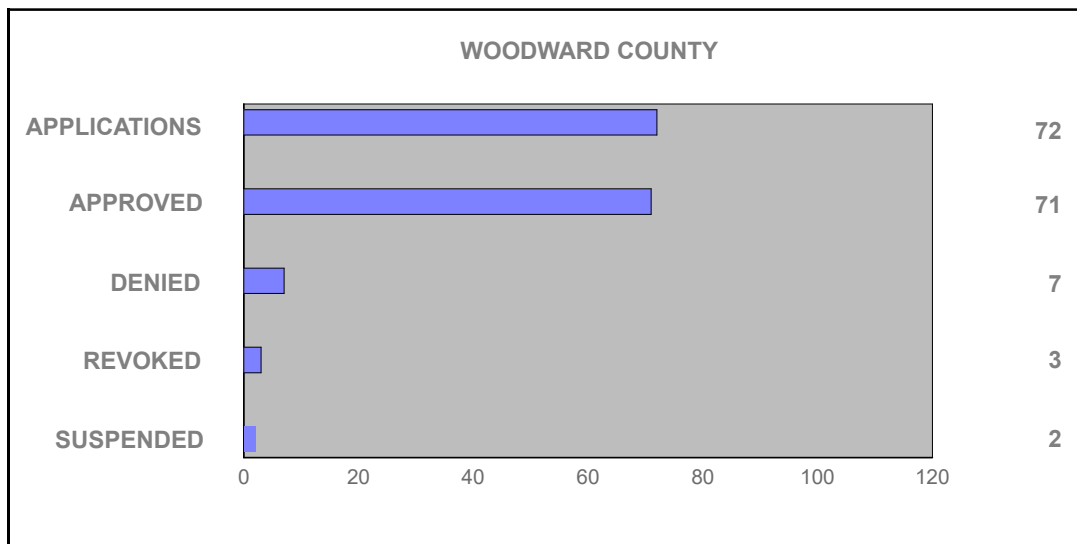
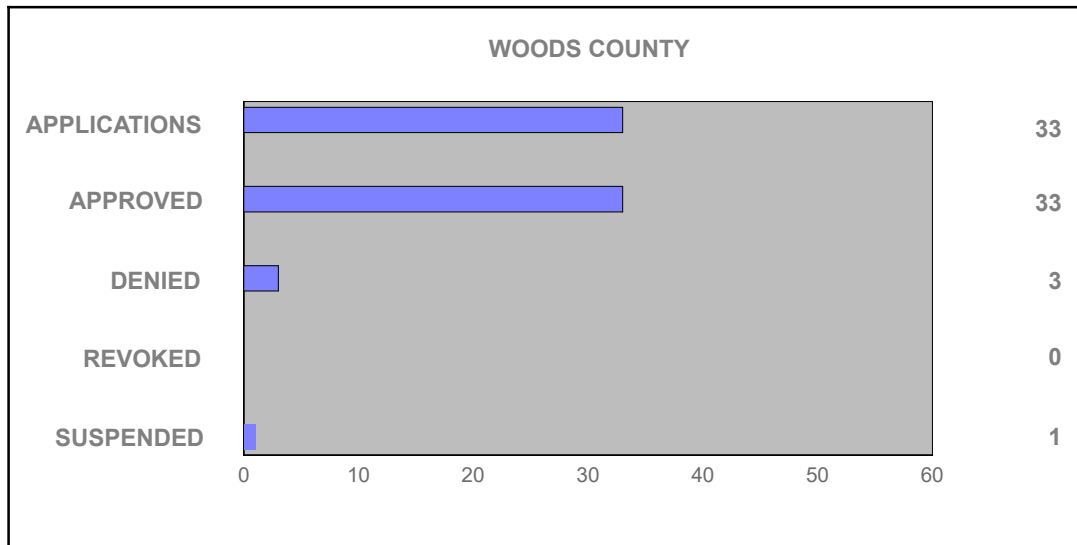
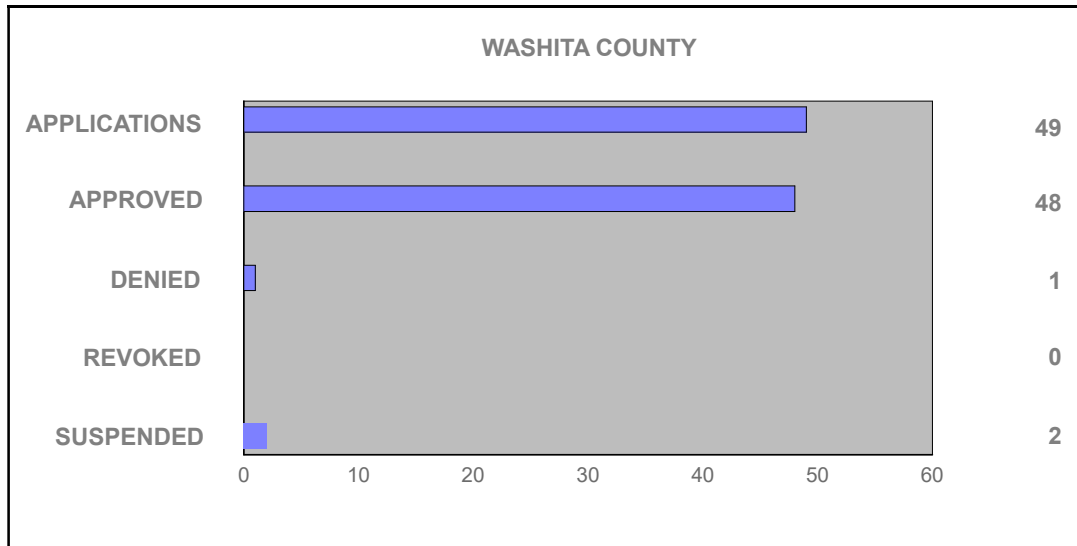


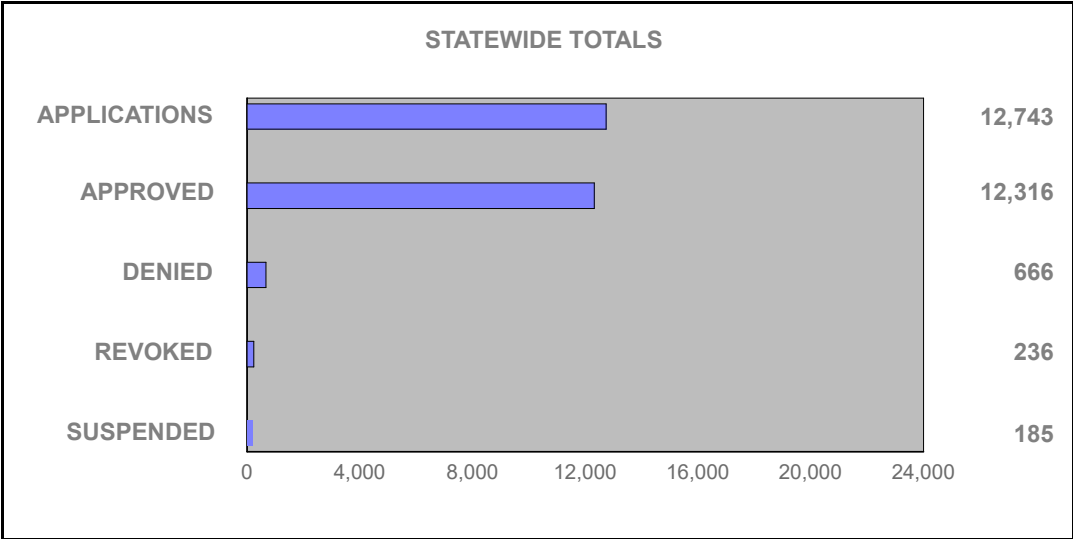












SDA LICENSES DENIED BY RACE, AGE, AND SEX IN 2025

<i>RACE</i>	<i>FEMALE</i>	<i>MALE</i>	<i>COMBINED</i>
Asian	2	8	10
Black	13	43	56
Hispanic	4	13	17
Indian	12	32	44
White	136	395	531
Other	0	8	8
Totals	167	499	666
Average Age	54	51	51

666 SDA Licenses were denied in 2025. Those denials were based on the following SDA Statute Provisions. Individuals may have more than one statutory basis for denial.

TITLE 21 § 1290.05(B)

Term of License and Renewal

Applications Denied:

A license may be renewed any time within ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date as provided in this subsection. The Bureau may notify each eligible licensee at the email address on file at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the license. However, any applicant shall have thirty (30) days from the date of expiration of the license to comply with the renewal requirements of this section. Renewal applications shall be denied by the Bureau if a current license is subject to being or currently is suspended or revoked by the Bureau.

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TITLE 21 § 1290.09

ELIGIBILITY (CONDITION NOT MET)

Applications Denied:

2. Be a lawful permanent resident in the United States and have established residency in the State of Oklahoma. For purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act: a. the term "residency" shall apply to any person who either possesses a valid Oklahoma driver license or state photo identification card, and physically maintains a residence in this state or to any person, including the spouse of such person, who has permanent military orders within this state and possesses a valid driver license from another state where such person and spouse of such person claim residency, and b. the term "lawful permanent resident" shall mean a noncitizen who is lawfully authorized to live permanently within the United States:	5
4. Complete a firearms safety and training course and demonstrate competence and qualifications with the type of pistol to be carried by the person as provided in Section 1290.14 of this title, and submit proof of training and qualification or an exemption for training and qualification as authorized by Section 1290.14 of this title;	1
5. Submit the required fee and complete the application process as provided in Section 1290.12 of this title;	607
6. Comply in good faith with the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.	4

1. Ineligible to possess a pistol due to any felony conviction or adjudication as a delinquent as provided by Section 1283 of this title, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	3
2. Any felony conviction pursuant to any law of another state, a felony conviction pursuant to any provision of the United States Code, or any conviction pursuant to the laws of any foreign country, provided such foreign conviction would constitute a felony offense in this state if the offense had been committed in this state, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	5
3. Adjudication as an incompetent person pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Mental Health Law, Section 1-101 et seq. of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes or an adjudication of incompetency entered in another state pursuant to any provision of law of that state unless the person has been granted relief from the disqualifying disability pursuant to Section 1290.27 of this title;	4
4. Any false or misleading statement on the application for a handgun license as provided by paragraph 5 of Section 1290.12 of this title;	30
5. Conviction of any one of the following misdemeanor offenses:	
d. a violation relating to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, or any violation of a victim protection order of another state	1
e. any conviction relating to illegal drug use or possession (10 YEAR PRECLUSION)	4
f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by Section 644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state;	10
6. An attempted suicide or other condition relating to or indicating mental instability or an unsound mind which occurred within the preceding ten-year period from the date of the application for a license to carry a concealed firearm or that occurs during the period of licensure;	2
8. Significant character defects of the applicant as evidenced by a criminal record indicating habitual criminal activity;	2
9. Ineligible to possess a pistol due to any provision of law of this state or the United States Code, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	39
12. Adjudication as a delinquent as provided by Section 1283 of this title, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title. (10 year preclusion)	1

1. An arrest for an alleged commission of a felony offense or a felony charge pending in this state, another state or pursuant to the United States Code. The preclusive period shall be until the final determination of the matter;	2
2. The person is subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or deferred prosecution in this state or another state or pursuant to federal authority for the commission of a felony offense. The preclusive period shall be three (3) years and shall begin upon the final determination of the matter;	3
3. Any involuntary commitment for a mental illness, condition, or disorder pursuant to the provisions of Section 5-410 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes or any involuntary commitment in another state pursuant to any provisions of law of that state. The preclusive period shall be permanent as provided by Title 18 of the United States Code Section 922 (g) (4) unless the person has been granted relief from the disqualifying disability pursuant to Section 3 of this act;	2
8. A court order for a final Victim Protection Order against the applicant, as authorized by Section 60 et seq. of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or any court order granting a final victim protection order against the applicant from another state. The preclusive period shall be sixty (60) days from the date an order was vacated, canceled, withdrawn or otherwise no longer in effect;	11
9. An adjudicated delinquent or convicted felon residing in the residence of the applicant which may be a violation of Section 1283 of this title. The preclusive period shall be thirty (30) days from the date the person no longer resides in the same residence as the applicant;	6
10. An arrest for, a charge pending for, or subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution for specified misdemeanor offense(s). Deferred sentences are preclusive for three years from final determination of the matter.	
e. any violation relating to illegal drug use or possession	2
f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by §644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state.	1

SDA LICENSES REVOKED BY RACE, AGE, AND SEX IN 2025

<i>RACE</i>	<i>FEMALE</i>	<i>MALE</i>	<i>COMBINED</i>
Asian	1	3	4
Black	1	20	21
Hispanic	0	4	4
Indian	2	6	8
White	45	153	198
Others	0	1	1
Totals	49	187	236
Average Age	50	46	47

236 SDA Licenses were revoked in 2025. Those revocations were based on the following SDA Statute Provisions. Individuals may have more than one statutory basis for revocation.

TITLE 21 § 1289.11

RECKLESS CONDUCT

Applications Revoked:

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in reckless conduct while having in his or her possession any shotgun, rifle or pistol, such actions consisting of creating a situation of unreasonable risk and probability of death or great bodily harm to another, and demonstrating a conscious disregard for the safety of another person.	3
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TITLE 21 § 1290.09

ELIGIBILITY (CONDITION NOT MET)

Applications Revoked:

2. Be a lawful permanent resident in the United States and have established residency in the State of Oklahoma. For purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act: a. the term "residency" shall apply to any person who either possesses a valid Oklahoma driver license or state photo identification card, and physically maintains a residence in this state or to any person, including the spouse of such person, who has permanent military orders within this state and possesses a valid driver license from another state where such person and spouse of such person claim residency, and b. the term "lawful permanent resident" shall mean a noncitizen who is lawfully authorized to live permanently within the United States:	133
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5. Submit the required fee and complete the application process as provided in Section 1290.12 of this title;	1
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TITLE 21 § 1290.10
MANDATORY PRECLUSIONS
Applications Revoked:

1. Ineligible to possess a pistol due to any felony conviction or adjudication as a delinquent as provided by Section 1283 of this title, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	21
2. Any felony conviction pursuant to any law of another state, a felony conviction pursuant to any provision of the United States Code, or any conviction pursuant to the laws of any foreign country, provided such foreign conviction would constitute a felony offense in this state if the offense had been committed in this state, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	2
3. Adjudication as an incompetent person pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Mental Health Law, Section 1-101 et seq. of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes or an adjudication of incompetency entered in another state pursuant to any provision of law of that state unless the person has been granted relief from the disqualifying disability pursuant to Section 1290.27 of this title;	9
5. Conviction of any one of the following misdemeanor offenses:	
d. a violation relating to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, or any violation of a victim protection order of another state	1
e. any conviction relating to illegal drug use or possession (10 YEAR PRECLUSION)	4
f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by Section 644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state;	3
6. An attempted suicide or other condition relating to or indicating mental instability or an unsound mind which occurred within the preceding ten-year period from the date of the application for a license to carry a concealed firearm or that occurs during the period of licensure;	1
8. Significant character defects of the applicant as evidenced by a criminal record indicating habitual criminal activity;	5
9. Ineligible to possess a pistol due to any provision of law of this state or the United States Code, except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title;	96
11. Being subject to an outstanding felony warrant issued in this state or another state or the United States;	1

1. An arrest for an alleged commission of a felony offense or a felony charge pending in this state, another state or pursuant to the United States Code. The preclusive period shall be until the final determination of the matter;	8
2. The person is subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or deferred prosecution in this state or another state or pursuant to federal authority for the commission of a felony offense. The preclusive period shall be three (3) years and shall begin upon the final determination of the matter;	11
3. Any involuntary commitment for a mental illness, condition, or disorder pursuant to the provisions of Section 5-410 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes or any involuntary commitment in another state pursuant to any provisions of law of that state. The preclusive period shall be permanent as provided by Title 18 of the United States Code Section 922 (g) (4) unless the person has been granted relief from the disqualifying disability pursuant to Section 3 of this act;	6
5. Inpatient treatment for substance abuse. The preclusive period shall be three (3) years from the last date of treatment or upon presentation of a certified statement from a licensed physician stating that the person has been free from substance use for twelve (12) months or more preceding the filing of an application for a handgun license;	1
8. A court order for a final Victim Protection Order against the applicant, as authorized by Section 60 et seq. of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or any court order granting a final victim protection order against the applicant from another state. The preclusive period shall be sixty (60) days from the date an order was vacated, canceled, withdrawn or otherwise no longer in effect;	7
10. An arrest for, a charge pending for, or subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution for specified misdemeanor offense(s). Deferred sentences are preclusive for three years from final determination of the matter.	
c. any stalking pursuant to Section 1173 of this title, or a similar law of another state	1
d. a violation relating to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, or any violation of a victim protection order of another state	2
e. any violation relating to illegal drug use or possession	3
f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by §644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state.	2

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall have the authority pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and any other provision of law to suspend or revoke any handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.	1
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SDA LICENSES SUSPENDED BY RACE, AGE, AND SEX IN 2025

<i>RACE</i>	<i>FEMALE</i>	<i>MALE</i>	<i>COMBINED</i>
Asian	1	3	4
Black	7	16	23
Hispanic	0	3	3
Indian	1	8	9
White	10	135	145
Others	0	1	1
Totals	19	166	185
Average Age	42	44	43

185 SDA Licenses were suspended in 2025. Those suspensions were based on the following SDA Statute Provisions. Individuals may have more than one statutory basis for suspension.

TITLE 21 § 1279

POINTING WEAPONS AT OTHERS

Applications Suspended:

Except for an act of self-defense, it shall be unlawful for any person to point any pistol or any other deadly weapon whether loaded or not, at any other person or persons. Any person violating the provision of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in Section 1280 of this title.

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TITLE 21 § 1289.09

CARRYING WEAPONS UNDER INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL

Applications Suspended:

It shall be unlawful for any person to carry or use shotguns, rifles or pistols in any circumstances while under the influence of beer, intoxicating liquors or any hallucinogenic, or any unlawful or unprescribed drug, and it shall be unlawful for any person to carry or use shotguns, rifles or pistols when under the influence of any drug prescribed by a licensed physician if the aftereffects of such consumption affect mental, emotional or physical processes to a degree that would result in abnormal behavior.

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TITLE 21 § 1289.11**RECKLESS CONDUCT****Applications Suspended:**

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in reckless conduct while having in his or her possession any shotgun, rifle or pistol, such actions consisting of creating a situation of unreasonable risk and probability of death or great bodily harm to another, and demonstrating a conscious disregard for the safety of another person.	5
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TITLE 21 § 1290.09**ELIGIBILITY (CONDITION NOT MET)****Applications Suspended:**

2. Be a lawful permanent resident in the United States and have established residency in the State of Oklahoma. For purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act: a. the term "residency" shall apply to any person who either possesses a valid Oklahoma driver license or state photo identification card, and physically maintains a residence in this state or to any person, including the spouse of such person, who has permanent military orders within this state and possesses a valid driver license from another state where such person and spouse of such person claim residency, and b. the term "lawful permanent resident" shall mean a noncitizen who is lawfully authorized to live permanently within the United States:	2
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TITLE 21 § 1290.11(A)**OTHER PRECLUSIONS****Applications Suspended:**

1. An arrest for an alleged commission of a felony offense or a felony charge pending in this state, another state or pursuant to the United States Code. The preclusive period shall be until the final determination of the matter;	126
2. The person is subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or deferred prosecution in this state or another state or pursuant to federal authority for the commission of a felony offense. The preclusive period shall be three (3) years and shall begin upon the final determination of the matter;	1
7. Two or more misdemeanor convictions relating to intoxication or driving under the influence of an intoxicating substance or alcohol. The preclusive period shall be three (3) years from the date of the completion of the last sentence or shall require a certified statement from a licensed physician stating that the person is not in need of substance abuse treatment;	1
8. A court order for a final Victim Protection Order against the applicant, as authorized by Section 60 et seq. of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or any court order granting a final victim protection order against the applicant from another state. The preclusive period shall be sixty (60) days from the date an order was vacated, canceled, withdrawn or otherwise no longer in effect;	2
10. An arrest for, a charge pending for, or subject to the provisions of a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution for specified misdemeanor offense(s). Deferred sentences are preclusive for three years from final determination of the matter.	
d. a violation relating to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, or any violation of a victim protection order of another state	5
e. any violation relating to illegal drug use or possession	21
f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by §644 of this title or an act of domestic assault and battery or any comparable acts under the laws of another state.	31

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall have the authority pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and any other provision of law to suspend or revoke any handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.

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