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WASHINGTON D.C., *October 10, 1968.*

HON. JOHN L. McCLELLAN,
*Chairman, Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations,
Committee on Government Operations.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Enclosed is a study of major civil disorders and riots for the period 1965 through July 31, 1968.

This study was prepared by Dr. Robert E. Dunne, assistant counsel, and Miss B. Crichton Jones, research assistant, on the staff of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations, pursuant to Senate Resolution 216, 90th Congress, second session.

Respectfully,

JEROME S. ADLERMAN,
General Counsel.

(2757)

STAFF STUDY OF MAJOR RIOTS AND CIVIL DISORDERS 1965 THROUGH JULY 31, 1968

INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Senate voted unanimously on August 11, 1967, to examine into all causes of riots and civil disturbances in the United States and to recommend such courses of action it deemed necessary to prevent their recurrence. The Investigation was delegated to the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. Public hearings began on November 1, 1967, and the undersigned, as first witnesses, presented an earlier version of the statistical compilation which follows, covering the period 1965 through early September 1967. This compilation is an updating through July 31, 1968.

METHODOLOGY

Lists were compiled from various news media of all cities and towns which were reported to have experienced some sort of riot or civil disturbance. A letter and reporting form was directed to the mayor or city manager of each of these communities from the chairman of the subcommittee requesting basic statistics that would provide data to measure the scope of this national problem. A copy of the letter and form follow:

AUGUST 22, 1967.

Hon. _____,
Office of the Mayor.

DEAR MAYOR —: The U.S. Senate has ordered this subcommittee to make a full and complete investigation of the riots and civil disorders that have recently occurred, the causes, extent and effects thereof, and to study and make recommendations of measures necessary for their prevention.

As chairman of the subcommittee which has been assigned this important and difficult task, I am requesting your cooperation and assistance relating to the civil disturbance that occurred in your community in (date).

It would be very helpful if you could give us the benefit of any facts and information within your knowledge or which may be available to you about civil disorders that took place in your area during recent years.

In order to determine the scope of our task, we are undertaking to gather basic facts from all the areas of the country where civil disturbances have occurred. As part of this survey, it would be helpful and much appreciated if you would supply the information called for on the enclosed sheet.

The Senate has directed that an interim report be made no later than October 2, 1967, and in order for the subcommittee to comply by that time, we need this information at the earliest possible date. Be assured that any "confidential" matters reported to us will be respected as such by the subcommittee.

Your cooperation will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN L. McCLELLAN,
Chairman.

City----- Date of Incident-----
 Population-----
 A. Give number:
 1. Number of days of disorder-----
 2. Persons killed
 a. Law officers (police, National Guard, firemen, etc.)-----
 b. Civilians—Negro----- White-----
 Total-----
 3. Persons injured
 a. Law officers (police, National Guard, firemen, etc.)-----
 b. Civilians—Negro----- White-----
 Total-----
 4. Number of fires reported-----
 5. Number of arrests—Negro----- White----- Other-----
 6. Number of convictions-----
 7. Number of cases pending-----
 8. Number released or dismissed without trial-----
 9. Estimated property damage \$----- Source of estimate-----
 10. Estimated economic loss (exclude property damage reported above)
 \$----- Source of estimate-----
 B. Answer yes or no:
 1. Was there Sniping----- Looting----- Vandalism-----
 2. Were the State police called----- Number responding-----
 3. Was the National Guard called----- Number responding-----
 4. Was there interference with firemen----- If yes, circle: sniping;
 false alarm; assault; opening hydrants; other (specify)-----
 5. Was there evidence of outside agitation----- If yes, nature
 of evidence-----
 C. What was the initial incident that caused the disorder?-----

Please attach any official report on the incident. If confidential, please specify.
 Return completed form to Senator John L. McClellan, Permanent Investigations
 Subcommittee, Room 161, Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D.C.
 Telephone: Area code 202-225-2057.

From time to time since publication of the first compilation, similar letters have been sent out. Responses have been almost 100 percent. In those few instances where information could not be obtained from municipal officials, the staff compiled such statistics as were available from local news reports.

The 137 returns which formed the basis of the earlier report were examined and a subjective judgment was made based primarily on injuries and arrests during the disturbance. This procedure eliminated a number of incidents considered to be minor. The chairman has written to 177 additional communities in order to update the chart through July 31, 1968. More precise guidelines were drawn, but without any intention of defining a "major" civil disturbance. The guidelines are stated merely to give the reader a clearer understanding of the term, as used in the compilation.

First, if any community reported a riot-connected death, it was automatically included. Otherwise, *two or more* of the following criteria had to be met for the incident to be included:

- (1) two or more injuries;
- (2) sniping;
- (3) looting;
- (4) 20 or more fires; and
- (5) 50 or more arrests.

The first compilation contained data on the number of persons convicted, and on the economic loss resulting from the disorder. These have been dropped from the present study. Persons convicted is an ever-changing figure, and increases with the passage of time. Also, the difficulty of compiling data on convictions delayed the return of many questionnaires. Economic loss, as opposed to property damage, means different things to different persons unless the term is carefully defined. Most mayors left this item blank in the first questionnaire, since they lacked any guidelines for computing such a figure.

CIVIL DISTURBANCES FOLLOWING THE KILLING OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

A master list of 142 communities, reported as having experienced civil disorders in the days following the shooting of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was produced by cross-checking newspapers, news magazines and other published sources. Only 40 of these met the criteria described above and are listed. Sixty-six had disturbances which were not of sufficient gravity to be listed. Thirty-six mayors reported that they had had no disturbances whatever.

ROBERT E. DUNNE.
B. CRICHTON JONES.

Major riots and civil disorders

1965

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1965

Date and city	1960 population		Killed		Injured		Types of criminality					Arrests	Police action called		Estimated property damage (thousands)	Mayors' reports of triggering incidents
	Number (in thousands)	Percent Negro	Law officers	Civilians	Law officers	Civilians	Sniping	Looting	Vandalism	Arson	Interference with firemen		State police	National Guard		
Mar. 5 to July 5, Selma, Ala.	28	49	0	1	0	0	No	No	No	0	No	6,377	Yes	No	None	Civil rights campaign on voting rights bill. NAACP demonstrations at Girard College. Tests of public accommodation laws. An arrest by California highway patrol. Negro lady accidentally killed by firetruck responding to false alarm.
May 1 to Dec. 17, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,003	26	0	0	3	12	No	No	No	0	No	85	No	No	None	
May 20, to July 17, Bogalusa, La.	21	35	0	0	6	175	No	No	Yes	0	Yes	276	Yes	No	-----	
Aug. 11 to 18, Los Angeles (Watts).	2,479	14	3	31	173	757	Yes	Yes	Yes	3,000	Yes	3,332	Yes	Yes	\$40,000	
Aug. 12 to 15, Chicago, Ill.	3,550	23	0	1	4	76	No	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	175	No	No	-----	
Total, 1965 (5 disorders)	-----	-----	3	33	186	1,020	1	2	3	3,001	3	10,245	3	1	40,000	

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Mar. 15 to 17, Los Angeles, Calif.	2,479	14	0	2	2	24	Yes	Yes	Yes	24	Yes	56	No	No	\$10,000-25,000	Fight between Negro male and Mexican male.
May 22, Bakersfield, Calif.	57	15	0	0	2	1	No	No	Yes	6	Yes	27	No	No	-----	Auto accident.
June 25 and 26, Pompano Beach, Fla.	16	33	0	0	2	1	No	Yes	No	0	No	40	Yes	No	-----	White merchant allegedly slapped a Negro boy.
July 3 to 5, Omaha, Nebr.	302	8	0	0	2	1	No	Yes	Yes	0	No	95	Yes	Yes	-----	Police attempted to disperse a large group of Negroes in a parking lot.
July 10 to 30, Grenada, Miss.	8	48	0	0	0	0	No	No	No	0	No	52	Yes	No	-----	The Meredith march.
July 12 to 19, Chicago, Ill.	3,550	23	0	2	61	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	Yes	372	No	Yes	-----	The closing of an open fire hydrant by police officer.
July 14 to 20, New York City.	7,782	14	0	1	30	23	Yes	No	Yes	3	Yes	82	No	No	-----	Dispute between white and Negro youths.
July 18 to 24, Cleveland, Ohio.	876	29	0	4	44	25	Yes	Yes	Yes	531	Yes	341	No	Yes	-----	
July 29 to Aug 7, Chicago, Ill.	3,550	23	0	0	18	28	No	No	No	1	No	107	No	No	-----	Open housing marches by Negro group into white neighborhoods.
Aug. 1 to 3, Omaha, Nebr.	302	8	0	0	1	1	No	Yes	Yes	6	No	39	Yes	No	-----	Negro burglar shot and killed by police while in commission of felony.
Aug. 2 to 5, Perth Amboy, N.J.	38	4	0	0	15	11	No	No	Yes	0	Yes	43	No	No	-----	An arrest for loitering.
Aug. 8 to 11, Lansing, Mich.	108	6	0	0	3	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	3	Yes	17	Yes	No	-----	Disturbance at a dance between Negro and white youths.
Aug. 9 to 11, Detroit, Mich.	1,670	29	0	0	10	11	No	Yes	Yes	14	Yes	186	No	No	-----	Police attempted to disperse loiterers on street corner.

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Aug. 13, Muskegon, Mich.---	46	8	0	0	0	2	No..	Yes..	Yes..	0	No..	19	Yes..	No..	-----	Negro youths fighting at a dance.
Aug. 26 to 28, Bent Harbor, Mich.	19	25	0	1	1	0	No..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	22	Yes..	Yes..	\$100	Police dispersing teenage crowd.
Sept. 1, Dayton, Ohio.-----	262	22	0	0	0	4	No..	Yes..	Yes..	3	No..	54	No..	Yes..	-----	Negro shot and killed by passing motorist alleged to be white.
Sept. 4, Cicero, Ill.-----	69	0	0	0	0	7	No..	No..	No..	0	No..	42	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Civil rights march.
Sept. 6 and 7, Atlanta, Ga.---	487	38	0	0	6	2	No..	No..	Yes..	1	No..	85	No..	No..	-----	Police shot a Negro male escaping after being arrested.
Sept. 10 to 14, Atlanta, Ga.---	487	38	0	0	3	2	No..	No..	Yes..	2	Yes..	96	No..	No..	-----	White male shot two Negro males.
Sept. 28 to Oct 2, San Francisco, Calif.	740	10	0	1	92	69	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	88	Yes..	326	Yes..	Yes..	136	Juvenile auto thief shot by police officer.
Oct. 19 to 21, Oakland, Calif.	368	23	0	0	9	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	16	Yes..	197	No..	No..	-----	Hit and run accident.
Total, 1966; 21 (disorders).-----	-----	-----	0	11	301	219	6	12	17	698	11	2, 298	9	7	10, 200	

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Apr. 1, Omaha, Nebr.-----	302	8	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	12	No..	No..	-----	Negro prisoner in county jail committed suicide.
Apr. 8 to 10, Nashville, Tenn.	171	38	0	0	12	5	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	19	Yes..	94	Yes..	Yes..	\$30	SNCC demonstrations.
Apr. 11 to 24, Louisville, Ky.---	391	18	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	No..	0	No..	250	No..	No..	-----	None.
Apr. 15 to 21, Massillon, Ohio.	31	9	0	0	0	5	No..	No..	Yes..	3	No..	11	Yes..	No..	-----	
May 12 to 14, Jackson, Miss.	144	36	0	1	30	13	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	4	Yes..	22	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Police pursued traffic violator onto Jackson State campus.
May 14 to 15, San Francisco.	740	10	0	0	19	14	No..	Yes..	Yes..	23	Yes..	47	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Group of Negro youths assaulted 2 white youths.
May 16 to 17, Houston, Tex.	938	23	1	0	3	3	Yes..	No..	Yes..	-----	No..	487	No..	No..	15	SNCC agitation at Texas Southern University.
June 2 to 4, Boston, Mass.---	697	9	0	0	35	25	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	35	Yes..	90	No..	No..	-----	Demonstration at a Boston welfare office.
June 11 to 13, Tampa, Fla.---	275	17	0	0	0	16	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	106	Yes..	111	No..	Yes..	95	Negro, having allegedly committed a felony, was shot and killed by police.
June 12 to 18, Cincinnati, Ohio.	503	22	0	1	25	38	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	216	Yes..	276	Yes..	Yes..	1, 500	Large crowd at public meeting became unmanageable.
June 12 to 26, Montgomery, Ala.	134	35	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	1	No..	8	No..	No..	-----	Arrest of Stokely Carmichael, in Prattville, Ala.
June 14 to 15, Dayton, Ohio.	262	22	0	0	0	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	6	Yes..	23	No..	No..	200	Inflammatory speech by H. Rap Brown.

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June 27 to July 1, Buffalo, N. Y.	533	13	0	0	5	10	No..	Yes..	Yes..	128	Yes..	185	No..	No..	\$166	
July 3 to 4, Cincinnati, Ohio	503	22	0	0	1	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	27	Yes..	8	No..	No..	1,043	Harassment of policemen and firemen at a fire.
July 8 to 9, Waterloo, Iowa	72	7	0	0	0	3	No..	Yes..	Yes..	7	Yes..	20	Yes..	Yes..		
July 9, Kansas City, Mo.	476	18	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	11	No..	No..		Arrest of Negro bootlegger in public park.
July 12 to 16, Newark, N.J.	405	34	2	23	145	580	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	250	Yes..	1,462	Yes..	Yes ¹	10,251	Arrest of cab driver.
July 12 to 15, Hartford, Conn.	162	15	0	0	16	2	No..	No..	Yes..	8	Yes..	36	No..	No..	50	
July 15 to 17, Fresno, Calif.	134	8	0	0	0	2	No..	No..	Yes..	46	No..	27	No..	No..	16	Youths marching on the local OEO headquarters demanding jobs.
July 16 to 20, Plainfield, N.J.	45	22	1	0	7	48	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	15	Yes..	148	Yes..	Yes..	300	
July 17 to 20, Greensboro, N.C.	120	26	0	0	0	2	No..	No..	Yes..	3	Yes..	52	No..	No..	70	Negro family moved into an all-white neighborhood outside city.
July 17 to 21, Paterson, N.J.	144	15	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	10	Yes..	32	No..	No..		Spontaneous eruption.
July 18 to 20, Erie, Pa.	138	5	0	1	0	6	No..	No..	Yes..	4	Yes..	30	No..	No..	150	Negro dissension over housing, employment, and recreation.
July 19 to 20, Minneapolis, Minn.	483	2	0	0	3	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	16	Yes..	32	No..	Yes..	400	2 Negro girls fighting.
July 21, to 25, Englewood, N.J.	26	27	0	0	9	0	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	7	Yes..	26	No..	No..		Interference with police responding to call.
July 22 to Aug. 25, Hattiesburg, Miss.	35	32	0	0	0	5	No..	No..	Yes..	0	Yes..	91	Yes..	No..		Boycott of city bus line and downtown merchants.
July 23, Birmingham, Ala.	341	40	0	0	0	11	No..	Yes..	Yes..	2	No..	20	Yes..	No..		Police shot a fleeing Negro felon.
July 23 to 31, Detroit, Mich.	1,670	29	4	39	143	181	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	1,682	Yes..	7,231	Yes..	Yes ¹	44,000	Police raid on illegal drinking establishment.
July 23 to 26, Lima, Ohio	51	11	0	0	0	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	2	No..	23	No..	No..		Alley fight in which white man killed a Negro.
July 23 to 24, New Britain, Conn.	82	3	0	0	2	3	No..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	4	No..	No..		Fanned by Detroit riot.
July 23 to 25, New York City.	7,782	14	0	2	35	10	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	20	Yes..	47	No..	No..	22	Police investigating domestic assault.
July 23 to 24, Phoenix, Ariz.	439	5	0	0	5	3	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	58	No..	208	Yes..	Yes..	61	Shooting of armed felon by police.
July 23 to 24, Rochester, N. Y.	319	7	0	1	6	3	No..	Yes..	Yes..	146	Yes..	69	Yes..	Yes..		Police response to rape report.
July 23 to 28, Toledo, Ohio	318	13	0	0	5	1	No..	Yes..	Yes..	70	Yes..	126	No..	Yes..	100	Police dispersal of a group of drag racers.
July 24 to 26, Cambridge, Md.	12	35	0	0	1	1	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	12	No..	8	Yes..	Yes..	48	Spontaneous.
July 23 to 26, Kalamazoo, Mich.	82	6	0	0	1	5	No..	No..	Yes..	4	No..	40	Yes..	No..		Speech by H. Rap Brown.
																A fight between 2 Negro males resulted in a Negro female being shot.

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July 24 to Aug. 3, New York City.	7,782	14	0	0	7	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	67	No	No		Spontaneous.
July 24 to 25, Pontiac, Mich.	82	17	0	2	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	56	Yes	272	Yes	Yes	\$200	Simultaneous fire bombing of 5 white-owned grocery stores.
July 25 to 30, Flint, Mich.	197	18	0	0	0	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	151	Yes	243	Yes	No	28	Detroit disorder. Haranguing by agitators and extremists.
July 25 to 30, Mount Vernon, N. Y.	76	20	0	0	6	4	No	Yes	Yes	6	Yes	36	No	No	20	
July 25 to 27, South Bend, Ind.	132	10	0	0	5		No	No	Yes	58	Yes	88	Yes	Yes	29	
July 26 to 28, Chicago, Ill.	3,550	23	0	0	0	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	2	Yes	88	No	No		Detroit disorder.
July 26 to 28, Grand Rapids, Mich.	177	8	0	0	6	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	63	Yes	282	Yes	Yes	202	
July 26 to 27, Long Beach, Calif.	344	3	0	0	0	5	No	No	Yes	6	Yes	17	No	No		Persons throwing objects at moving vehicles; mass media coverage of Detroit disorder.
July 25 to Aug. 1, Sacramento, Calif.	192	6	0	0	7	9	Yes	No	Yes	29	No	29	No	No	30	Negro juveniles fighting over girls.
July 25 to 26, Saginaw, Mich.	98	17	0	0	2	8	No	Yes	Yes	25	Yes	72	Yes	No		Sit-down at main intersection.
July 23 to 24, Tucson, Ariz.	213	3	0	0	5	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	6	Yes	7	Yes	Yes		Stoning of police answering to a call to halt fighting at teenage party.
July 27 to 28, Albany, N. Y.	130	8	0	0	0	0	No	Yes	Yes	3	No	41	No	No		False rumor of 2 deaths caused by a police car.
July 27 to 28, Cincinnati, Ohio.	503	22	0	0	2	1	No	Yes	Yes	22	Yes	25	No	No	282	Window broken at jewelry store and subsequent looting.
July 27 to 29, Passaic, N. J.	54	9	0	0	3	1	No	Yes	Yes	6	Yes	23	No	No		None.
July 27, Peekskill, N. Y.	19	11	0	0	0	0	No	Yes	Yes	0	No	32	No	No		Spontaneous.
July 26 to 31, San Francisco, Calif.	740	10	0	0	2	14	Yes	Yes	Yes	177	Yes	56	Yes	Yes	51	None.
July 27 to 29, Waterbury, Conn.	107	7	0	0	3	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	No	69	No	No	30	
July 27 to Aug. 7, Wichita, Kans.	255	8	0	0	4	19	Yes	No	Yes	17	Yes	95	Yes	No	100	National racial tension.
July 28 to 29, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	38	9	0	0	4	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	No	54	Yes	Yes		Group of Negro youths leaving a dance.
July 28 to 30, Wilmington, Del.	96	26	0	0	3	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	14	Yes	325	Yes	No	15	
July 29, and Aug. 4, Elgin, Ill.	49	3	0	0	0	0	No	No	Yes	7	No	12	Yes	No	150	
July 29, Hamilton, Ohio.	72	6	0	0	0	1	No	No	Yes	1	Yes	9	No	No		Quarrel over parked car which resulted in a Negro being cut.
July 29 to 31, New York City, N. Y.	7,782	14	0	0	12	46	No	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	76	No	No		Idle youths led astray by local agitators.

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July 25, Mount Clemons, Mich.	21	12	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	No..	2	No..	98	Yes..	No..	100	Detroit disorder.
July 28 to 30, Rockford, Ill.	127	4	0	0	2	2	No..	No..	Yes..	1	No..	40	Yes..	No..	-----	Bottle thrown at car.
July 30 to Aug. 8, Milwaukee, Wis.	741	8	1	3	44	-----	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	409	Yes..	1,566	No..	Yes..	-----	None.
July 30 to 31, Portland, Oreg.	373	4	0	0	0	1	No..	No..	Yes..	45	Yes..	85	Yes..	Yes..	50	Young hoodlum attacked a park attendant.
July 30, Riviera Beach, Fla.	13	43	0	0	0	0	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	2	Yes..	45	No..	No..	350	Arrest of a drunk and disorderly person.
July 31 to Aug. 3, Erie, Pa.	138	5	0	0	3	3	No..	No..	Yes..	6	Yes..	17	No..	No..	-----	Continued dissension based on Erie disorder of July 19, 1967.
July 31 to Aug. 4, San Bernardino, Calif.	92	9	0	0	2	0	Yes..	No..	Yes..	61	Yes..	67	No..	No..	-----	Crowd of 300 people at house party blocking street; this was broken up by police.
July 31 to Aug. 2, West Palm Beach, Fla.	56	27	0	0	1	0	No..	No..	No..	13	Yes..	30	No..	No..	-----	Disorder in Riviera Beach, Fla.
Aug. 1 to 2, Providence, R.I.	207	5	0	0	19	26	Yes..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	69	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Celebration of Negro independence day caused a crowd to gather.
Aug. 1, Washington, D.C.	764	54	0	0	0	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	10	Yes..	25	No..	No..	-----	Crowd dispersed from scene of fire.
Aug. 1 to 3, Wyandanch, N.Y.	190	10	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	14	Yes..	8	No..	No..	-----	
Aug. 2 to 3, Peoria, Ill.	103	9	0	0	0	4	Yes..	No..	Yes..	7	Yes..	7	No..	No..	-----	Arsonists set fire to a grocery store.
Aug. 15 to 17, Houston, Tex.	938	23	0	0	0	0	Yes..	No..	Yes..	20	Yes..	6	No..	No..	-----	White male service station attendant shot Negro male in attempted robbery.
Aug. 16 to 20, Syracuse, N.Y.	216	5	0	0	7	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	18	Yes..	186	No..	No..	66	Crowd gathered as police were investigating a burglary.
Aug. 19 to 23, New Haven, Conn.	152	15	0	0	3	0	No..	Yes..	Yes..	90	Yes..	679	Yes..	No..	149	Puerto Rican shot by a white storekeeper.
Sept. 4 to 8, New York City, N.Y.	7,782	14	0	1	51	7	No..	No..	Yes..	7	Yes..	76	No..	No..	-----	Negro youth killed during commission of a felony, by a Negro detective.
Sept. 10 to 15, East St. Louis, Ill.	82	45	0	0	1	6	No..	Yes..	Yes..	73	Yes..	68	Yes..	No..	30	Rap Brown.
Sept. 13 to 29, Hartford, Conn.	162	15	0	0	20	2	No..	Yes..	Yes..	-----	No..	84	No..	No..	40	Protest meeting at police headquarters.
Sept. 14, Chicago, Ill.	3,550	23	0	0	4	7	Yes..	No..	Yes..	-----	-----	50	No..	No..	-----	Black power rally. ²
Sept. 15 to 20, Aurora, Ill.	64	3	0	0	1	2	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	2	No..	203	Yes..	No..	15	Failure to pass fair housing ordinance.

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	Number (in thousands)	Percent Negro	Law officers	Civilians	Law officers	Civilians	Sniping	Looting		Vandalism	Arson			Interference with firemen	State police	National Guard
Sept. 19 to 21, Dayton, Ohio.	262	22	0	0	2	5	No..	Yes..	Yes..	1	No..	203	No..	No..	100	Black power meeting to protest police shooting. Funeral of man killed by police while resisting arrest. Attempted arrest of a student. Protest to Dean Rusk speech. ²
Nov. 2 to 7, Winston Salem, N.C.	111	37	0	0	8	10	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	142	Yes..	215	Yes..	Yes..	600	
Nov. 13 to 14, Wilberforce, Ohio.	4	N. A.	0	0	10	0	Yes..	No..	Yes..	2	Yes..	91	Yes..	Yes..	-----	
Nov. 21, Chicago, Ill.-----	3, 550	23	0	0	2	15	No..	Yes..	Yes..	-----	-----	60	No..	No..	-----	
1967 totals (83 disorders)---	-----	-----	9	74	760	1, 232	35	50	80	4, 506	56	17, 363	35	25	61, 154	

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Jan. 11, San Francisco, Cal.--	740	10	0	0	3	6	No..	No..	Yes..	0	No..	52	No..	No..	\$1	Demonstration protesting speech by Dean Rusk.
Feb. 6 to 10, Orangeburg, S.C.	14	40	0	3	4	30	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Yes..	25	Yes..	Yes..	-----	Integration of business establishment.
Mar. 28 to Apr. 14, Memphis, Tenn.	498	37	0	3	20	150	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	850	Yes..	714	Yes..	Yes..	1	Mass march for garbage strikers, Dr. King's death.
Apr. 4 to 5, Tallahassee, Fla..	48	33	0	1	0	5	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	7	Yes..	0	Yes..	Yes..	50	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 4 to 8, Albany, Ga.-----	56	36	0	0	0	7	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	29	Yes..	16	Yes..	No..	-----	Do.
Apr. 4 to 9, Pine Bluff, Ark.--	44	40	0	0	0	3	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	7	Yes..	305	Yes..	Yes..	750	Attempted arrest started sniping.
Apr. 4 to 9, Boston, Mass.---	697	9	0	0	5	29	No..	Yes..	Yes..	16	No..	87	No..	No..	-----	Dr. King's Death.
Apr. 4 to 9, Greensboro, N.C.	120	26	0	0	3	2	Yes..	No..	Yes..	1	Yes..	356	Yes..	Yes..	11	Do.
Apr. 4 to 10, Detroit, Mich.--	1, 670	29	0	1	2	1	Yes..	No..	Yes..	55	No..	2, 364	Yes..	Yes..	80	Do.
Apr. 4 to 10, Lancaster, Pa.--	61	4	0	0	0	2	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	2	Yes..	6	Yes..	No..	7	Do.
Apr. 4 to 10, Raleigh, N.C.---	94	23	0	0	8	13	Yes..	No..	Yes..	13	Yes..	362	Yes..	Yes..	187	Do.
Apr. 4 to 11, Durham, N.C.---	78	36	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	31	No..	190	No..	Yes..	351	Do.
Apr. 4 to 11, Cincinnati, Ohio.	503	22	0	2	12	10	No..	Yes..	Yes..	90	Yes..	304	Yes..	Yes..	-----	False rumor that white policeman had killed Negro man.
Apr. 4 to 12, Charlotte, N.C.	202	28	0	0	4	3	No..	Yes..	Yes..	29	No..	30	No..	No..	75	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 4 to 13, Hartford, Conn.	162	15	0	0	27	3	No..	Yes..	Yes..	180	Yes..	46	No..	No..	595	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 4 to 14, New York City---	7, 782	14	0	1	42	52	No..	Yes..	Yes..	60	Yes..	491	No..	No..	-----	Do. ³
Apr. 4 to 14, Nashville, Tenn.	171	38	0	0	2	19	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	49	Yes..	363	Yes..	Yes..	700	Do.
Apr. 4 to 15, Washington, D.C.	764	54	0	12	89	1, 113	No..	Yes..	Yes..	1, 391	Yes..	7, 308	-----	Yes ¹	13, 300	Do.
Apr. 5 to 11, Chicago, Ill.---	3, 550	23	0	9	2	500	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	210	Yes..	3, 120	Yes..	Yes ¹	10, 000	Do. ²
Apr. 5 to 10, Norfolk, Va.-----	-----	-----	0	0	1	0	No..	No..	Yes..	51	Yes..	44	No..	No..	-----	Do.
Apr. 5 to 12, Joliet, Ill.-----	67	7	0	0	8	15	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	84	Yes..	34	Yes..	Yes..	847	Dr. King's death; surfacing of 4 Negro gangs.

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	Number (in thousands)	Percent Negro	Law officers	Civilians	Law officers	Civilians	Sniping	Looting	Vandalism	Arson	Interference with firemen		State police	National Guard		
Apr. 5 to 12, Baltimore, Md.	939	35	0	6	70	830	No.	Yes.	Yes.	180	Yes.	5,563	Yes.	Yes ¹	13,500	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 5 to 12, Pittsburgh, Pa.	604	17	0	0	45		No.	Yes.	Yes.	505	No.	926	Yes.	Yes.	620	Do.
Apr. 5 to 14, Wilmington, Del.	96	26	0	0	3	71	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	61	Yes.	589	Yes.	Yes.	454	Do.
Apr. 5 to 14, Aliquippa, Pa.	26	21	0	0	1	1	No.	Yes.	Yes.	3	No.	27	Yes.	No.	10	Do.
Apr. 5 to 14, Columbia, S.C.	97	30	0	0	0	0	No.	No.	Yes.	104	No.	484	Yes.	Yes.	101	Do.
Apr. 6 to 9, Albion, Mich.	13	20	0	0	5	2	Yes.	No.	Yes.	14	No.	16	Yes.	No.	250	Do.
Apr. 6 to 10, Wilmington, N.C.	44	38	0	0	8	11	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	11	No.	199	Yes.	Yes.	100	Do.
Apr. 6 to 10, Frederick, Md.	22	11			4		No.	Yes.	Yes.	14	No.	17	Yes.	No.	25	Negroes tried to prevent arrest of looter.
Apr. 6 to 11, Jacksonville, Fla.	201	41	0	1	12	3	Yes.	No.	Yes.	67	Yes.	16	No.	No.	295	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 6 to 13, Macon, Ga.	70	44	0	0	0	0	No.	No.	Yes.	45	Yes.	209	No.	No.	200	Do.
Apr. 6 to 14, Wilson, N.C.	29	39	0	0			No.	No.	Yes.	7	Yes.	123	Yes.	Yes.		Do.
Apr. 6 to 15, Richmond, Va.	220	42	0	0	1	2	No.	Yes.	Yes.	176	Yes.	191	Yes.	No.	612	Crowd began breaking windows.
Apr. 7 to 15, Fort Pierce, Fla.	25	47	0	0			No.	Yes.	Yes.	60	Yes.	24	Yes.	Yes.		Dr. King's death.
Apr. 8 to 9, Jackson, Mich.	51	9	0	0	1	6	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	7	No.	1	Yes.	No.	52	
Apr. 8 to 9, Buffalo, N.Y.	533	13	0	0	22	5	No.	Yes.	Yes.	22	Yes.	36	No.	No.	115	Memorial service.
Apr. 8 to 9, Portsmouth, Va.	115	34	1	0	0	0	No.	Yes.	Yes.	6	No.	57	No.	No.	3	Dr. King's death; over-emphasis of news media on other disturbances.
Apr. 8 to 10, Youngstown, Ohio.	167	19	0	0	2	2	No.	No.	Yes.	24	No.	167	No.	Yes.	1	
Apr. 8-10, Petersburg, Va.	37	47	0	0	1	1	No.	Yes.	Yes.	12	No.	21	Yes.	No.	25	End of dance in Negro district.
Apr. 9 to 11, Kansas City, Mo.	476	18	0	5	18	80	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	100	Yes.	991	Yes.	Yes.	829	Student march after Dr. King's death.
Apr. 9 to 29, Trenton, N.J.	114	23	0	1	36		No.	Yes.	Yes.	30	Yes.	315	Yes.	Yes.		
Apr. 11 to 13, Jackson, Miss.	51	9	0	0	0	6	No.	Yes.	Yes.	9	No.	64	No.	No.	35	Dr. King's death.
Apr. 23 to May 22, New York, N.Y.	7,782	14	0	0		231	No.	No.	Yes.			1,000	No.	No.		Columbia University student riot. ²
Apr. 27 to 29, Omaha, Nebr.	302	8	0	0	4	5	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	1	No.	40	No.	No.	75	Police attempt to break up dice game.
May 18 to 25, Salisbury, Md.	16	15	0	0	1	12	No.	Yes.	Yes.	13	Yes.	29	Yes.	Yes.	200	Shooting of felon in attempted escape.
May 28 to 29, Louisville, Ky.	391	18	0	2	2	15	No.	Yes.	Yes.	68	Yes.	40	Yes.	Yes.	567	Speech by SNCC representative.
June 24, Washington, D.C.	764	54	0	0		5	No.	Yes.	Yes.	7	Yes.	327		Yes ¹		Demolition of Resurrection City. ²
July 1 to 31, Seattle, Wash.	557	5	0	0	39	20	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	22	Yes.	65	No.	No.	500	Arrests of Black Panthers.
July 2 to 7, Paterson, N.J.	144	15	0	0	21		Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	86	Yes.	150	Yes.	Yes.	567	Rumor arrested man was killed.
July 14 to Aug. 8, Jackson, Mich.	51	9	0	0	1	6	Yes.	No.	Yes.	6	No.	23	Yes.	No.	9	Black messenger militant group.

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July 16 to 20, San Francisco, Calif.	740	10	0	0	18	15	No..	Yes..	Yes..	581	Yes..	76	No..	No..	6	Arrest on Haight Street.
July 17 to 27, Akron, Ohio...	290	13	0	0	3	23	No..	Yes..	Yes..	76	Yes..	535	No..	Yes..	200	Juveniles attempt to break up dance.
July 21 to 24, Benton Harbor, Mich.	19	25	0	0	4	3	Yes..	No..	Yes..	13	No..	97	Yes..	No..	10	Liquor purchase by minor.
July 23, Cleveland, Ohio.....	876	29	3	8	11	8	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	-----	-----	50	No..	Yes ¹	100	Sniping at police. ²
July 25 to 30, Richmond, Calif.	72	20	0	0	0	0	Yes..	Yes..	Yes..	17	Yes..	564	Yes..	No..	500	Police shooting of car theft suspect in attempted escape.
July 26 to 29, Grand Rapids, Mich.	177	8	0	0	0	0	No..	No..	Yes..	61	Yes..	82	Yes..	No..	124	
July 29 to 30, Peoria, Ill.....	103	9	0	0	5	1	Yes..	No..	Yes..	2	No..	10	Yes..	No..	-----	Police attempt to stop rock throwing.
Total 1968 (7 months) (57 disorders)	-----	-----	4	55	570	3,327	26	40	57	5,565	35	29,341	36	29	47,040	

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1965 total (5 disorders).....	-----	-----	3	33	186	1,020	1	2	3	3,001	3	10,245	3	1	40,000	
1966 total (21 disorders).....	-----	-----	0	11	301	219	6	12	17	698	11	2,298	9	7	10,200	
1967 total (83 disorders).....	-----	-----	9	74	760	1,232	35	50	80	4,506	56	17,363	35	25	61,154	
1968 total (7 months) (57 disorders).	-----	-----	4	55	570	3,327	26	40	57	5,565	35	29,341	36	29	47,040	
Grand total, 1965 to July 31, 1968.	-----	-----	16	173	1,817	5,798	68	104	157	13,770	105	59,247	83	62	158,394	

¹ Federal troops also called.² Prepared by staff from news reports.