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# **STATEMENT OF LEGISLATIVE MANDATE**

This document was prepared by the Illinois State Police (ISP) and is submitted to the Illinois General Assembly pursuant to 725 ILCS 5/108A-11(c) of the Illinois Compiled Statutes. Please contact the ISP Electronic Criminal Surveillance Officer (ECSO) program coordinator, Division of Criminal Investigation, if you require further information.

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Of the 102 Illinois counties, 46 filed their 2020 eavesdropping report with the ISP. Twenty-three of the counties reported no eavesdrops were applied for in their jurisdiction. The following page lists the counties reporting no applications, as well as those failing to file a report. The statute requires each state's attorney to file a report with the ISP; however, 56 counties failed to file a report by the given deadline. Historically, several counties do not submit their report or fail to submit it before the deadline.

The report shows a total of 262 eavesdrop applications were submitted in 2020. Of these, 243 were original applications and 19 were extensions. The below list depicts the types of crimes investigated utilizing eavesdrops:

- Narcotics/Cannabis 82%
- Theft-related 0.5%
- Sex-related 7%
- Murder 4%
- Other 6%
- Not reported 0.5%

# INTRODUCTION

This report provides the number of reported consensual eavesdrops during 2020, including applications for orders authorizing the use of eavesdropping devices, original applications, extensions, and convictions arising out of such uses. The data used to compile this report was obtained from the reports submitted by each state’s attorney.

The following counties reported one or more eavesdrops in 2020:

Bond	Boone	Champaign	Clinton	DeWitt	DuPage	Fayette
Kane	Kankakee	Kendall	LaSalle	Lee	Macon	Macoupin
McHenry	McLean	Morgan	Piatt	Saline	Sangamon	Stephenson
Vermilion	Whiteside					

The following counties reported no eavesdrops in 2020:

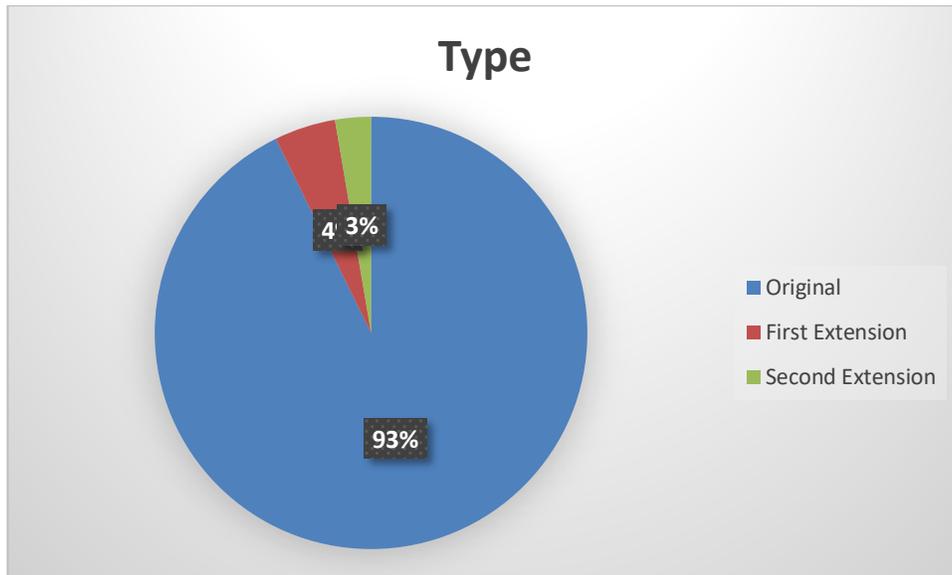
Alexander	Carroll	Coles	Edwards	Effingham	Ford	Grundy
Hardin	Henry	Jasper	Jersey	Lawrence	Livingston	Moultrie
Pope	Pulaski	Randolph	Schuyler	Scott	St. Clair	Wabash
Warren	Washington					

The following counties failed to submit reports to the ISP in 2020:

Adams	Brown	Bureau	Calhoun	Cass	Christian	Clark
Clay	Cook	Crawford	Cumberland	Dekalb	Douglas	Edgar
Franklin	Fulton	Gallatin	Greene	Hamilton	Hancock	Henderson
Iroquois	Jackson	Jefferson	Jo Daviess	Johnson	Knox	Lake
Logan	Madison	Marion	Marshall	Mason	Massac	McDonough
Menard	Mercer	Monroe	Montgomery	Ogle	Peoria	Perry
Pike	Putnam	Richland	Rock Island	Shelby	Stark	Tazewell
Union	Wayne	White	Will	Williamson	Winnebago	Woodford

# 2020 CONSENSUAL EAVESDROPS

## TYPES OF ORDERS



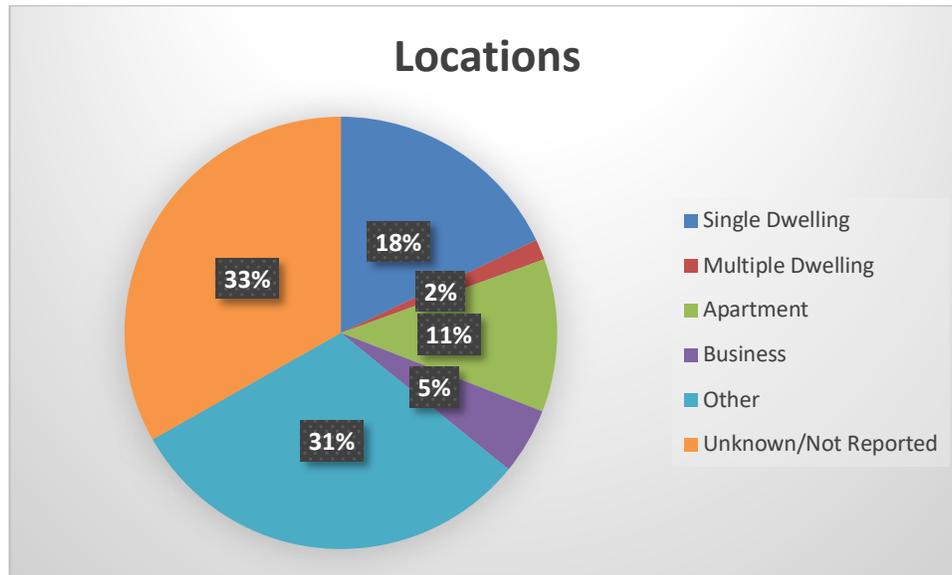
Original	243
First Extension	12
Second Extension	7

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Total Applications	262
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# 2020 CONSENSUAL EAVESDROPS

## LOCATIONS



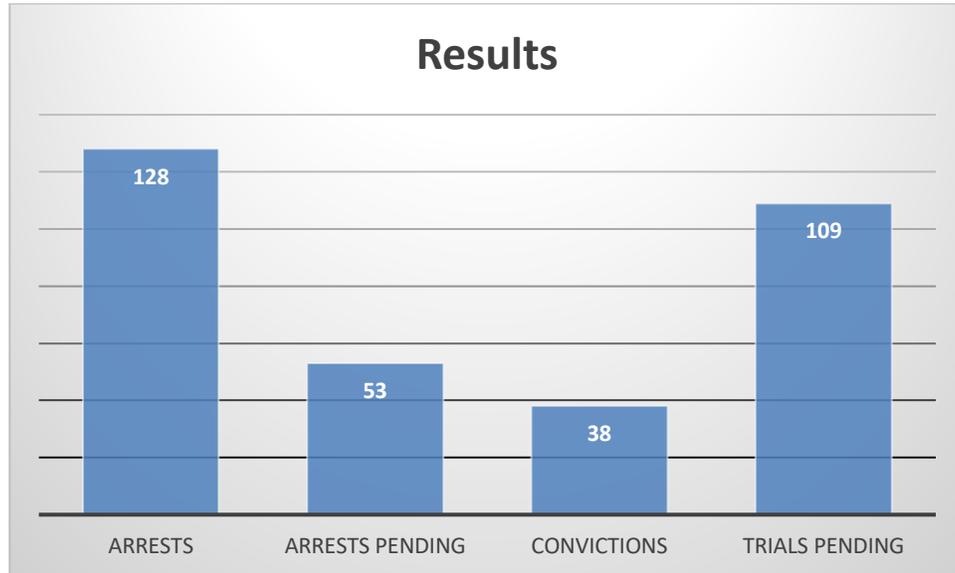
Single dwelling	47
Multiple dwelling	4
Apartment	30
Business	13
Other	81
Unknown/Not reported	87

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# 2020 CONSENSUAL EAVESDROPS

## RESULTS



Arrests	128
Arrests pending	53
Convictions	38
Trials pending	109

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