



Department of Justice Criminal Justice Division

Criminal Justice Division Mission

The mission of the Criminal Justice Division is to fight crime and protect the citizens of Oregon using our unique combination of highly qualified special agents, prosecutors and analysts.



Briefing Purpose

- Describe the Criminal Justice Division's (CJD) statutory mission and priorities.
- Provide a briefing on CJD's available anti-organized crime and anti-terror capabilities.
- Highlight the difficulty of disrupting or dismantling organized crime groups.
- Discuss CJD's potential role in active shooter training.



Criminal Justice Division is Unique

CJD is the only agency in Oregon that combines law enforcement officers, analysts and prosecutors in a single agency. Because of this:

- We are able to conduct large scale, complex, multi-jurisdiction investigations and prosecutions better than any other state or local agency in Oregon;
- We are the center for case deconfliction in the state through the Watch Center, critical for officer safety;
- We fight terrorism and share criminal intelligence with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies through the TITAN Fusion Center.



Primary Responsibilities

- Organized Crime
 - Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTOs)
 - Complex Financial Crimes
 - Public Corruption/Malfeasance
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
- Criminal Intelligence
- Law Enforcement/District Attorney Support



Organized Crime

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The Department of Justice is required to:

- Establish a coordinated system of collecting, storing and disseminating information relating to organized crime.
- Assist law enforcement agencies in Oregon in the investigation and suppression of organized crime and encourage cooperation among those agencies.
- Conduct comprehensive factual studies of organized crime in Oregon and propose needed changes in policies and procedures.
- Investigate allegations of corruption or malfeasance by public officials in Oregon and, where appropriate, coordinate, cooperate and assist in taking legal action.
- Investigate investment of funds in Oregon suspected to have been generated by criminal activities.



Organized Crime

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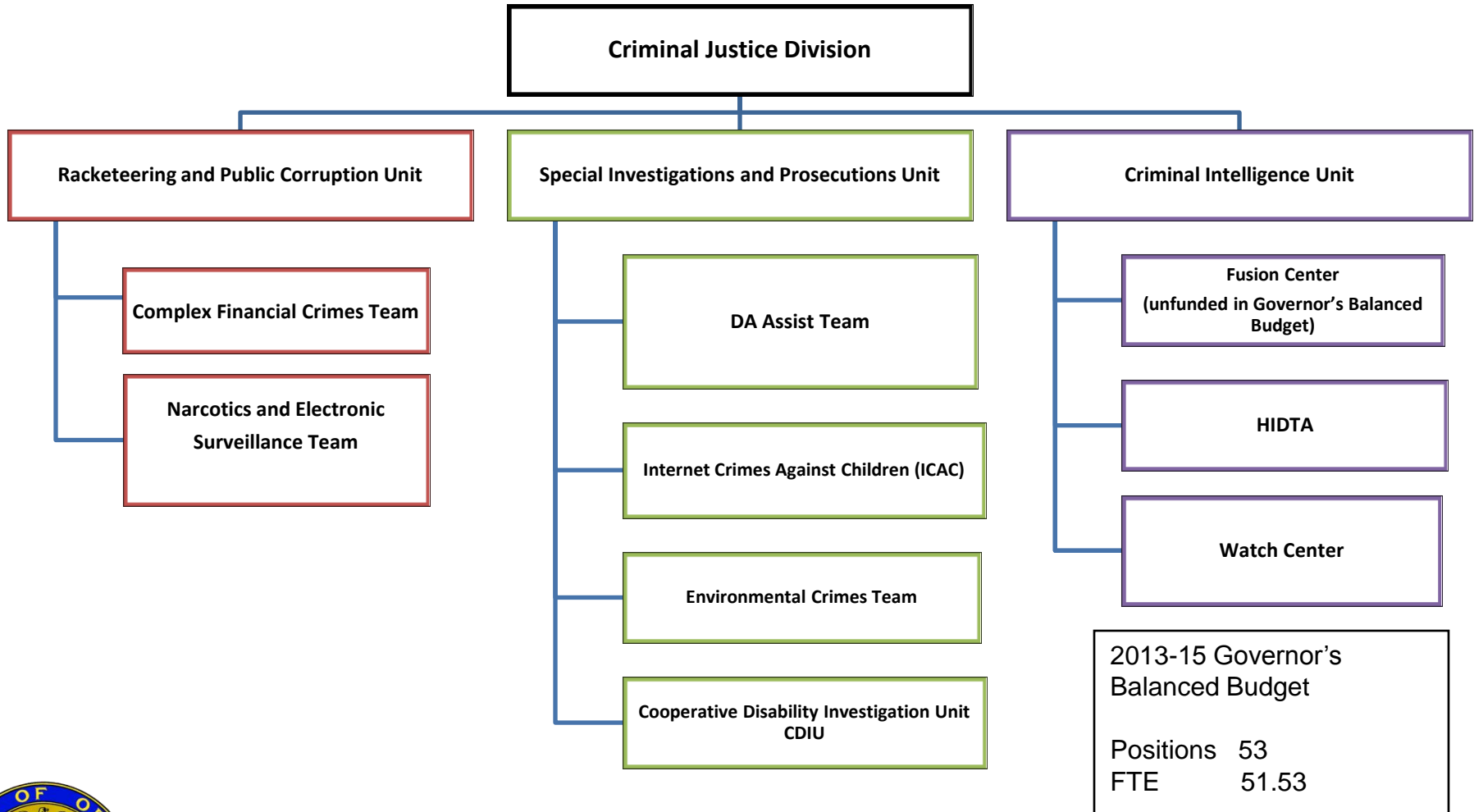
“Organized crime” is:

Two or more people committing or conspiring to:

- Commit crimes as a significant source of income or for their livelihood; or
- Violate criminal laws relating to prostitution, gambling, loan sharking, theft, controlled substances offenses, counterfeiting, extortion, or corruption of law enforcement officers, public officials or public employees.



Organization



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTOs)

Narcotics and Electronics Surveillance Team (NEST)

The team's mission is to disrupt and dismantle DTOs:

- Special agents, analysts and prosecutors with expertise in the unique legal and technical issues associated with the successful investigation and prosecution of drug trafficking organizations.
 - 95 drug trafficking cases worked from July, 1 2011, to January 8, 2013.
 - Team works throughout the state with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.
- Specialized equipment and trained personnel to conduct wiretap investigations and electronic surveillance.



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

To disrupt and dismantle DTOs, the NEST team:

- Conducts wiretap and undercover investigations
- Executes search warrants
- Arrests and prosecutes DTO leaders
- Provides technical support to law enforcement agencies (e.g. pole cams)
- Seizes or assists other agencies with the seizure of hundreds of pounds of illegal drugs, hundreds of thousands of dollars of assets and currency, and dozens of firearms every year



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

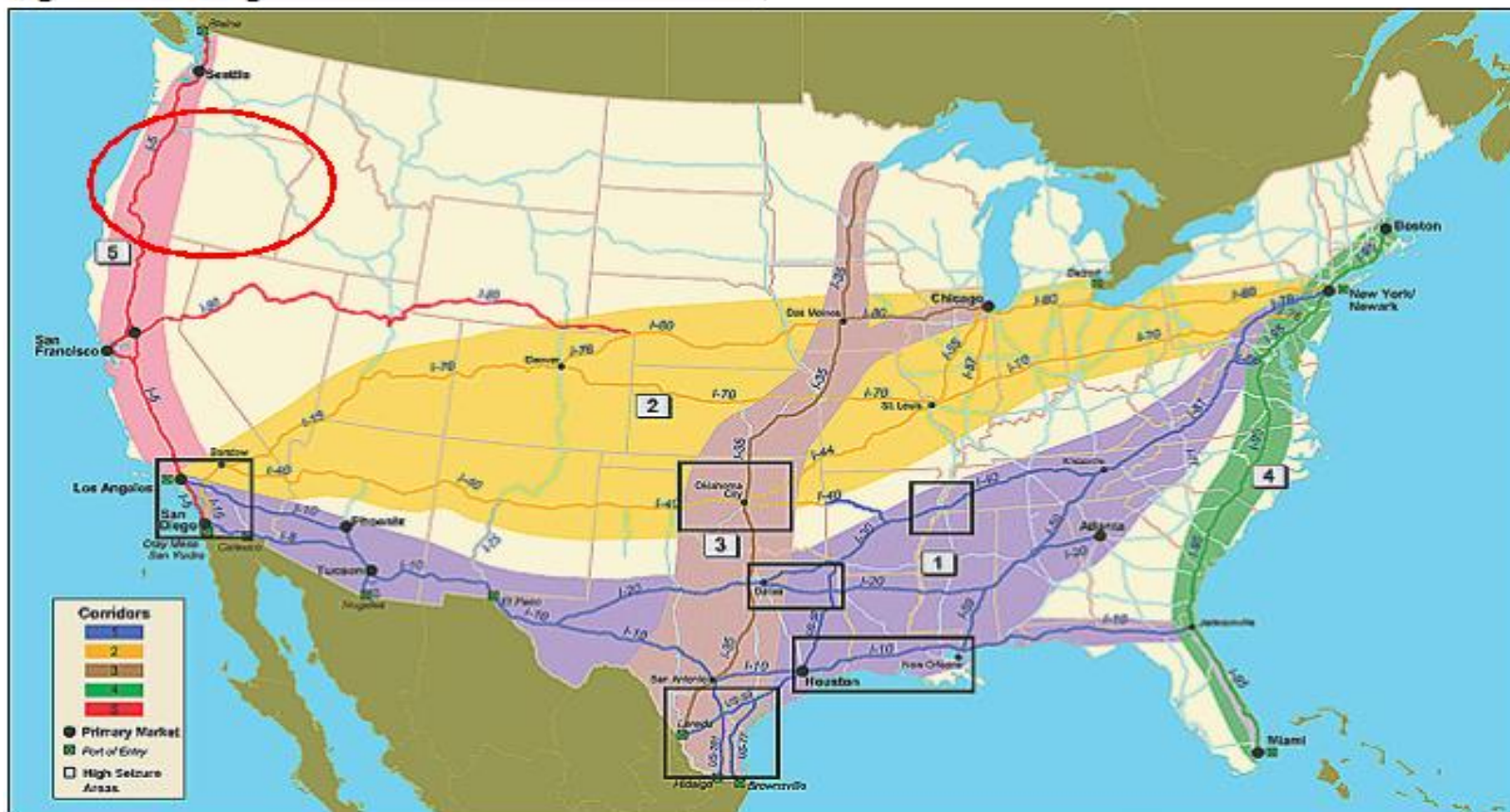
Table 3. Known Drug Trafficking Organizations, CY 2011

<u>Organization Type</u>	<u>DTO Characteristics*</u>	<u>Operational Scope</u>
Drug Trafficking 66	Mexican/Hispanic 49	Local = 25
Money Laundering 1	Caucasian 18	<i>Dismantled</i> = 12
	Asian 6	<i>Disrupted</i> = 3
	African-American 4	Multi-State = 34
	Multi-Ethnic 3	<i>Dismantled</i> = 10
	Eurasian 2	<i>Disrupted</i> = 6
	Cuban 1	International = 8
	Middle Eastern 1	<i>Dismantled</i> = 1
	Nigerian 1	<i>Disrupted</i> = 0
	Unknown 1	



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

Figure 14. Drug Corridors in the United States



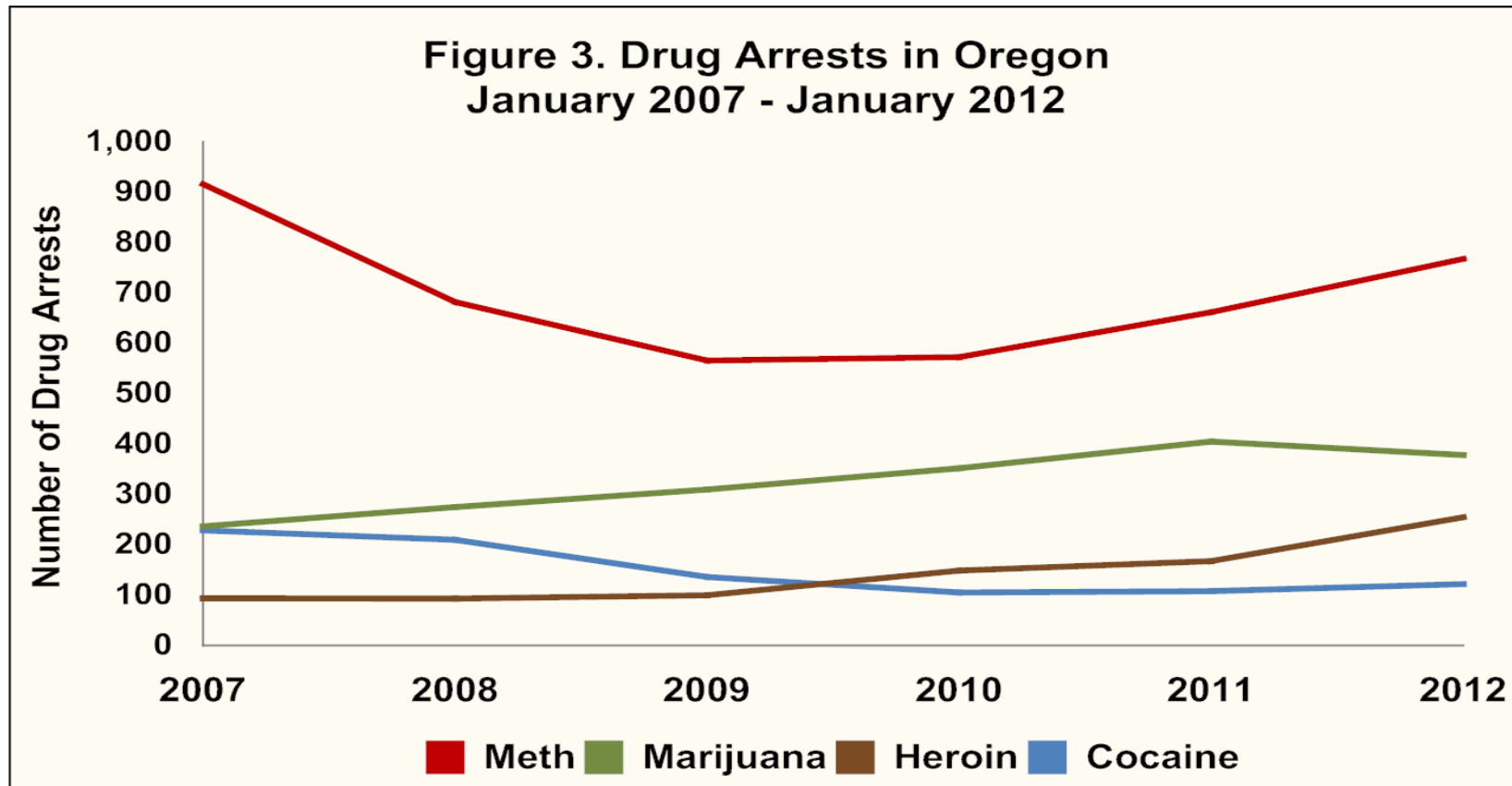
Source: The National Drug Intelligence Center.



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations



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Source: Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, Oregon Drug Arrest Graphs, April 2012.
Note: The data presented is based on a six month moving average.



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

Operation Icebreaker: DOJ's first Multi-County Wiretap Investigation

- Benton, Linn, Lane, Douglas and Marion Counties
- 18 month investigation, ending in March, 2007
- 6 pounds of meth seized
- Over \$50,000 in cash seized
- 21 defendants prosecuted
- Attempted murder for hire on DOJ special agent and two witnesses.
- Over 39 total years in prison



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

Operation Icebreaker 2: (Multi-County Wiretap Investigation)

- Benton, Linn and Marion Counties
- Organization distributed four pounds of meth and two pounds of heroin weekly (estimated)
- 26 pounds of heroin seized (23,608 doses)
- Over \$110,000 cash seized
- 26 firearms seized
- 16 defendants prosecuted
- 546 total months in prison as of February 13, 2013



Organized Crime: Drug Trafficking Organizations

- **Operation Icebreaker 2 (Multi-County Wiretap Investigation)**



Criminal Intelligence Unit (CIU)

CIU supports law enforcement agencies by:

- Facilitating criminal information sharing among local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.
- Disseminating officer safety bulletins
- Preparing threat assessments
- Sharing terrorism related information
- Providing analytical case support
- Deconflicting law enforcement operations



Criminal Intelligence Unit (CIU)

From January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 CIU:

- Disseminated 199 publications (law enforcement bulletins, threat assessments, officer safety alerts)
- 829 case related charts and graphs
- 7,219 intelligence profiles (packets containing research on suspects)
- 367 terrorism related tips and leads processed
- 34 wiretap lines supported
- 3683 deconfliction checks



Major Budgetary Issues

The Division has lost 30 positions since 2009.

- The Division's personnel resources have been stretched to the point that any unplanned major case causes massive disruption and can lead to:
 - Division wide investigative delays on current cases
 - An inability to investigate or prosecute other unplanned major cases
- **The Division lost federal grant funds for the Fusion Center.**
 - 94 score on recent federal assessment, one of the highest in the nation.
 - Will be closed without state funding.
- **We cannot provide analytical support on:**
 - Child pornography cases
 - Homicides
 - Gang cases
 - Complex financial crimes



Major Budgetary Issues

- **Extremely limited in the number of large, complex cases CJ can investigate and prosecute:**
 - Two long term drug trafficking cases per year
 - Dependent on forfeited assets, which are used to repay costs of investigations
 - Currently have 7 requests from 5 different law enforcement groups to conduct wiretap operations
 - Two large financial crimes cases at one time



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Questions?

