

City of Kankakee



2011

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TOTAL CRIME INDEX 2011

For the second year in a row the Total Crime Index in the City of Kankakee saw an increase. The Total Crime Index increased 12% in the year 2011, compared to 2010. The Total Crime Index is comprised of the crimes of MURDER, CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT, AGGRAVATED ASSAULT / BATTERY, BURGLARY, THEFT, AUTO THEFT, and ARSON. Our Total Crime Index number at 1562 is significantly lower than 1991 where the number was 4219. These numbers are derived from the sum of all the above listed crimes.

These numbers still show that at 1562 we are well below the mark of 1852 which was posted in 2001. Again this year we can attribute the rise to the declining economy, and the rise in local unemployment to 10%. The categories that showed an increase were: Robbery at one hundred ten (110), up from 2010 at ninety nine (99), Aggravated Assault/Battery at ninety nine (99) in 2010, up to one hundred eight (108) for 2011, Burglary three ninety one (391) up from three thirty nine (339) in 2010, Theft eight forty nine (849) up from seven forty one (741) in 2010, and Arson at sixteen (16) from eleven (11) in 2010. Together, these increases combine to show our 12% increase for 2011.

Four (4) Murders occurred in the City of Kankakee in the 2011 year, this remains the same as the total number for 2010. In the last 10 years 2001 to 2011, there have been 34 Murders, an average to 3.5 murders per year. The 10 years prior from 1991 to 2001 there were 112 murders during the 10 year period, an average of 11.2 murders per year. We are significantly down from the previous 10 year period. These numbers indicate that the community truly is working in unison with the Police Department remaining vigilant in their neighborhoods and on their streets. Point in fact, the murder of Joseph Buckner in the 600 block of S. Lincoln Ave., on November 25, 2011. The residents of the City of Kankakee should be proud of their assistance in helping quickly solve this horrific crime. In the days that followed the murder, the phones rang off the hook in the Detective Bureau with leads and information that eventually lead to the arrest of the suspects 3 days after the shooting. Community Based Policing does make a difference.

POLICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2011

The Police Department hired no officers during the 2011 year. One Police Sergeant did resign during this period, and is currently under investigation by the Illinois State Police for misappropriation of funds from the Police Benevolent Protection Association Unit #28.

In January and February of 2011, Police Department Personnel participated in the annual Defensive Tactics, Use of Force, Handcuffing, and Taser re-certification.

The Kankakee Police Department promoted 4 Officers in 2011: John Gerard was named Deputy Chief of Police by Mayor Nina Epstein, Deputy Chief Gerard had previously served 10 years as Patrol Commander. Matt Adamson was named Patrol Commander he had served as CALEA Manager. Willie Hunt was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and assigned to the second Shift. Tim Klopp was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to second shift. Ray Pasel was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to KAMEG.

Commander Matt Adamson attended the FBI National Academy in Quantico Virginia from October thru December. The National Academy offers instruction in leadership, crime analysis, and team building, with special focus on physical fitness. Commander Adamson said that it was an experience of a lifetime, bringing back the latest and greatest policies and procedures for the Police Department.

We had four Officers meet significant years of service in 2011 they are: Commander Matt Adamson 25 years, Deputy Chief John Gerard, 25 Years, Lieutenant Jay Etzel 20 years, and Patrolwoman Susan Wagner 20 years.

The Department tested for promotion in the ranks of Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Detective. The promotional exams were done by Stanard and Associates , and the Detective Exam was administered by Frank Fischer the Law Enforcement department head at Kankakee Community College.

The Kankakee Police Department hosted two sessions of the Citizens Police Academy in 2011. These classes are held once a week for ten weeks in the spring and fall, and allows citizens to become a part of the inside procedures of the police department. Demonstrations are given by the S.W.A.T. Team, investigations, States Attorney's Office, Patrol Procedure, Nuisance Abatement, Code Enforcement, along with a tour of the Detention Center, and KanComm.

In January the Kankakee Police Department was awarded a check for \$275,363.84 from the Internal Revenue Service. The money was proceeds from an illegal gambling operation at a local convenience store. The arrest and seizure of assets was the culmination of a 3 month undercover operation, which included the IRS, Kankakee Police Department and Agents from the Project Safe Neighborhoods. The money will be used to train and supply the department with equipment and supplies in the fight against criminal activity.

In April Police Agencies county wide partnered with the United States Marshall's Office, to do a county wide check of sex offenders registered in their municipalities. The Kankakee Police Department was responsible for checking over 110 registered sex offenders living within our boundaries. The 2 day operation resulted in the verification of 71 registered offenders and netted 3 arrests of improperly registered offenders.

In May of 2011, Detective Steven Hunter graduated from the 200 hour Advanced Crime Scene Technician Training at the Illinois State Police Academy in Springfield Illinois. The Police Department sent Detective Hunter in response to the state law mandating Officers attend special training for Lead Homicide Investigators. The department also had two Detectives qualify by experience to receive certification as Lead Homicide Investigators, Commander Robin Passwater, and Detective Sergeant Randy Hartman. This leaves only 1 detective remaining to obtain this certification which should be done in the early part of 2012.

Also in May, the Police Department sent Officers to southern Illinois in an ILEAS response to severe flooding. 5 Officers spent 3 days in the area providing security to the affected area, to discourage looting and other dangerous behavior connected with a disaster area.

In May and early June of 2011 Officers taught over 1000 elementary school students the Eddie Eagle Program which deals with firearms and what children should do if they come across one. This program is sponsored by the National Rifle Association and is provided free of cost.

In June the Juvenile Division, assisted by the second and third shifts conducted a curfew sweep within the City's borders. Juveniles found to be out after curfew were detained and then released to their parents after being cited for the violation. 13 citations were issued as a result of the sweep.

In September the Illinois Department of Corrections and the Kankakee Police Department partnered in a parole sweep to check parolees living in Kankakee. In all 79 parolees were checked in the 2 day operation. There were 4 arrests for parole violations ranging from possession of cannabis to living at an address not listed with their officer.

Also in September the Police Department partnered with ICE, (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) to check the status of 10 targeted, known gang offenders that were living in the City of Kankakee. This detail was requested as an enforcement action in an attempt to stem the tide of gang violence, and drive by shootings that were plaguing several neighborhoods. Six gang members were detained and an extensive identity status check was preformed on each. At the conclusion of the enforcement action the detained individuals were released after their background confirmed.

2011 was a banner year for seized late model vehicles. Patrol Officers and the traffic unit seized 3 newer vehicles with a good resale value. A 2000 Harley Davidson Sportster, a 2008 Harley Davidson Road King, and a 2004 H2 Hummer, these vehicles will be sold at auction or an on-line auction, and the money made will be returned to the City's general fund.

The Kankakee Police Department remained very active for 2011 year. Officers answered 53,972 calls for service, produced 5,829 case reports, made 2068 adult arrests, 126 juvenile arrests, wrote 4,951 citations, and seized 126 firearms.

During the 2011 year the Kankakee Police Department had 9 Officers assigned to the Kankakee Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group (KAMEG). KAMEG is a drug enforcement unit that is comprised of

officers from the Kankakee, Bradley, and Bourbonnais Police Departments, and the Illinois State Police. The unit consists of two divisions, the Covert Undercover Unit, and the Street Suppression Unit. The Covert Unit is the traditional model of a drug unit, making small narcotic purchases, and working their way up the ladder in an attempt to reach the “Big Fish”. The Street Suppression Unit deals mostly with street level / street corner dealers, and acts as an immediate response team to an area where intensive patrol is needed. Their aim is to curtail violent criminal behavior, related to Gangs, Drugs and Guns. KAMEG opened 317 cases in 2011, made 308 arrests, served 117 search warrants, and seized 40 firearms.

The Kankakee Police Department is a member of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), which is a program sponsored by the United States Attorney’s Office, Central Region, Urbana Division. The Kankakee Police Department along with Agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and the United States Marshal Service (USMS), work in unison to rid the streets and neighborhoods of illegal firearms, with a focus on Armed Career Criminals. The Kankakee Police Department assigns one full time officer to PSN as does ATF. They were responsible for opening 71 cases in 2011. PSN made 19 arrests for weapons violations, seized 41 firearms, 5 of which were fully automatic, that resulted in 22 cases forwarded to the U.S. Attorney’s Office for prosecution. They also purchased 15 ounces of crack cocaine during the course of their investigations.

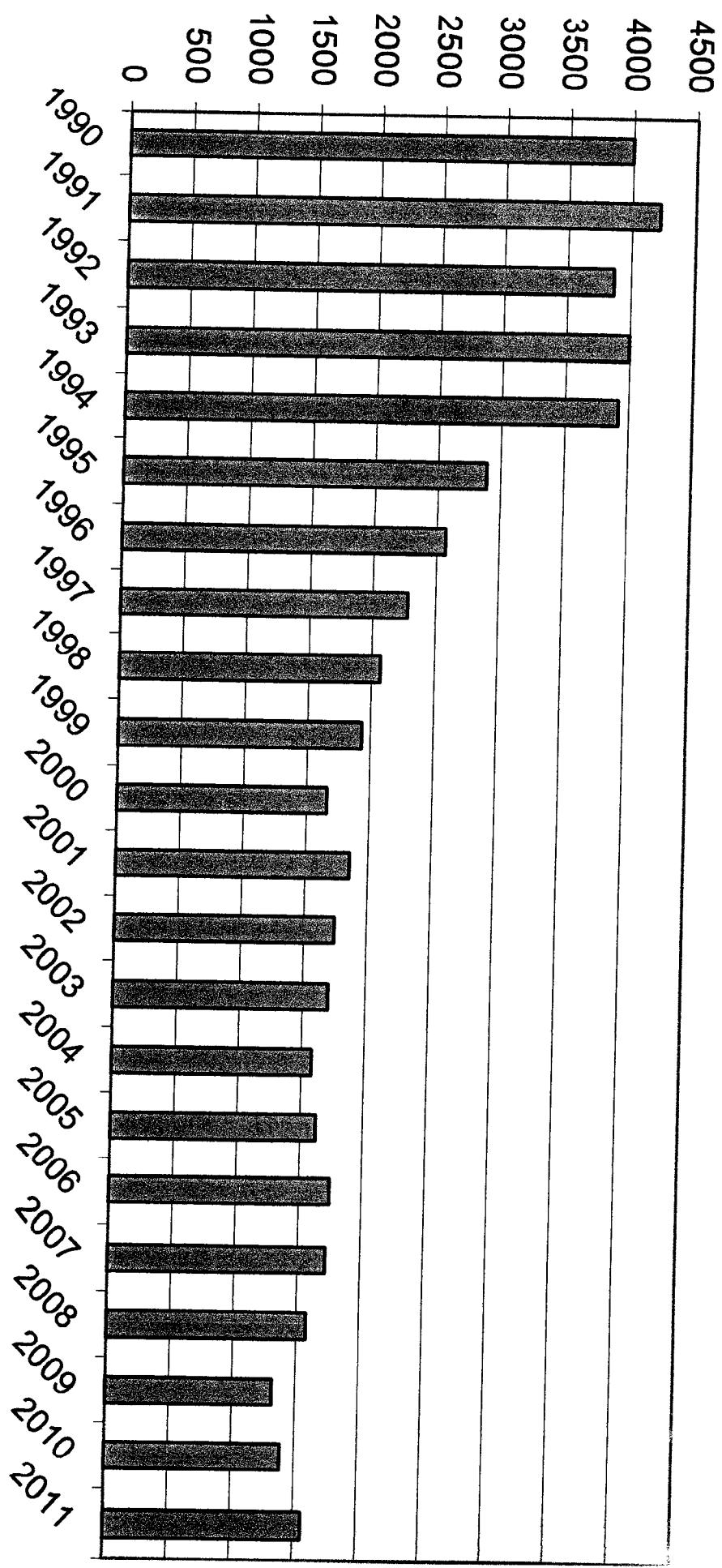
The Traffic Unit, which consists of 3 officers, wrote 2,346 citations, which also includes violations for overweight trucks. The total fines received for overweight truck violations in 2011 was \$45,461.00. The Traffic Unit also assists the department during special events such as parades, and funeral processions ensuring traffic flows freely around the event. The Traffic Unit also participates in child safety seat inspections in conjunction with other area police departments. They also provide free child safety seats to individuals who can not afford the proper child safety restraints.

Again in 2011 the Nuisance Abatement Team remained very active. The team consists of, two Community Service Officers (CSO), and one sworn Police Sergeant. George Whalum is responsible for the Inmate Work Program which logged 6,153.92 hours in the City mowing grass, leaf bag disposal, snow shoveling, and General clean up duties of City owned

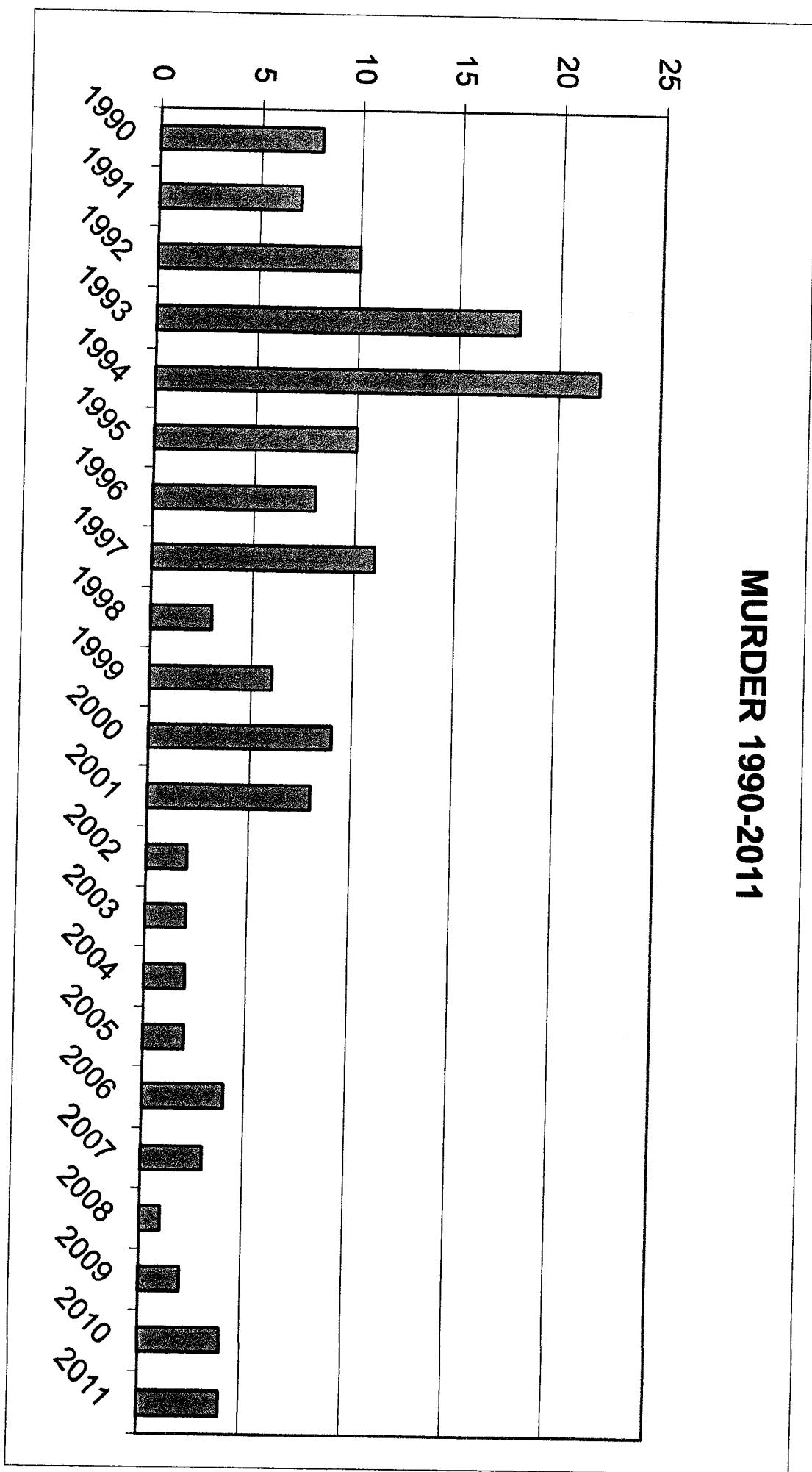
properties. Erica Austin is responsible for community service workers assigned to perform community service by the courts as part of their punishment. Community service worker logged 3200 hours cleaning parks, public property, graffiti removal, and washing police vehicles. CSO's also perform such duties as interdepartmental mail delivery, tagging and towing abandoned and derelict vehicles, following up on project sheets, assist in special event set up and removal, and sitting in for the Chief's secretary as needed.

YEAR	MURDER	CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT/ BATTERY	ROBBERY	BURGLARY	THEFT	AUTO THEFT	ARSON	TOTAL
1985	4	35	174	262	812	2048	192	5	3532
1986	2	21	145	414	942	1967	234	15	3740
1987	3	30	164	408	916	1904	241	28	3694
1988	6	28	182	359	830	1881	181	41	3508
1989	7	34	131	363	837	1822	189	35	3418
1990	8	45	200	414	825	2255	208	43	3998
1991	7	68	218	386	1138	2059	314	29	4219
1992	10	66	249	347	937	1853	356	45	3863
1993	18	51	242	896	1169	1249	326	43	3994
1994	22	70	191	899	1008	1446	232	48	3916
1995	10	43	178	350	552	1452	284	17	2886
1996	8	62	137	208	525	1435	167	29	2571
1997	11	53	103	165	415	1408	101	21	2277
1998	3	43	69	150	443	1242	105	14	2069
1999	6	54	58	153	413	1077	150	20	1931
2000	9	38	111	165	340	863	113	21	1660
2001	8	32	99	124	377	1050	125	37	1852
2002	2	40	83	120	355	1039	77	24	1740
2003	2	34	98	120	441	908	80	18	1701
2004	2	42	90	102	289	972	68	14	1579
2005	2	42	82	118	331	956	77	14	1622
2006	4	25	106	126	391	997	72	21	1742
2007	3	22	106	114	381	1021	54	18	1719
2008	1	18	100	150	370	865	62	12	1578
2009	2	22	98	102	271	760	51	10	1316
2010	4	42	99	339	741	53	11	1388	
2011	4	31	108	391	849	53	16	1562	

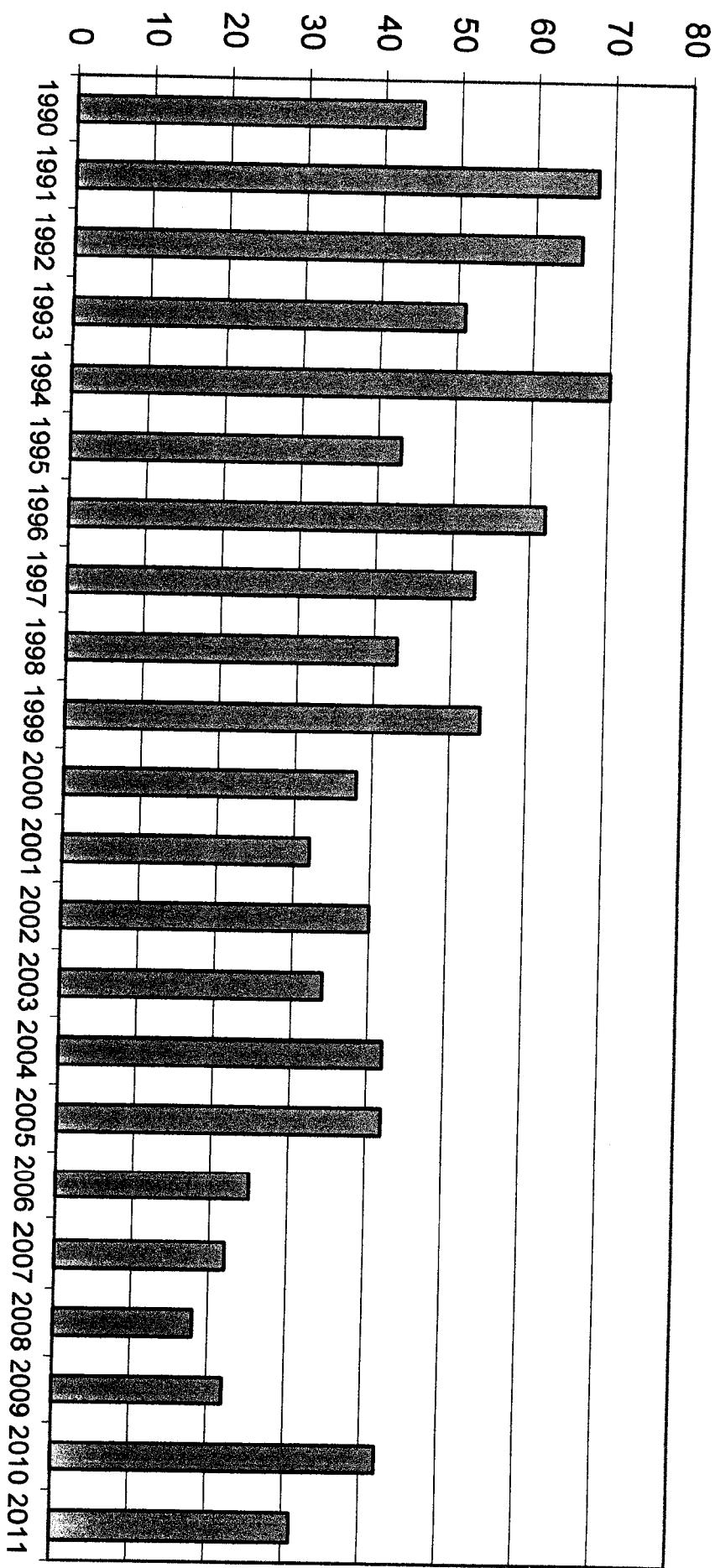
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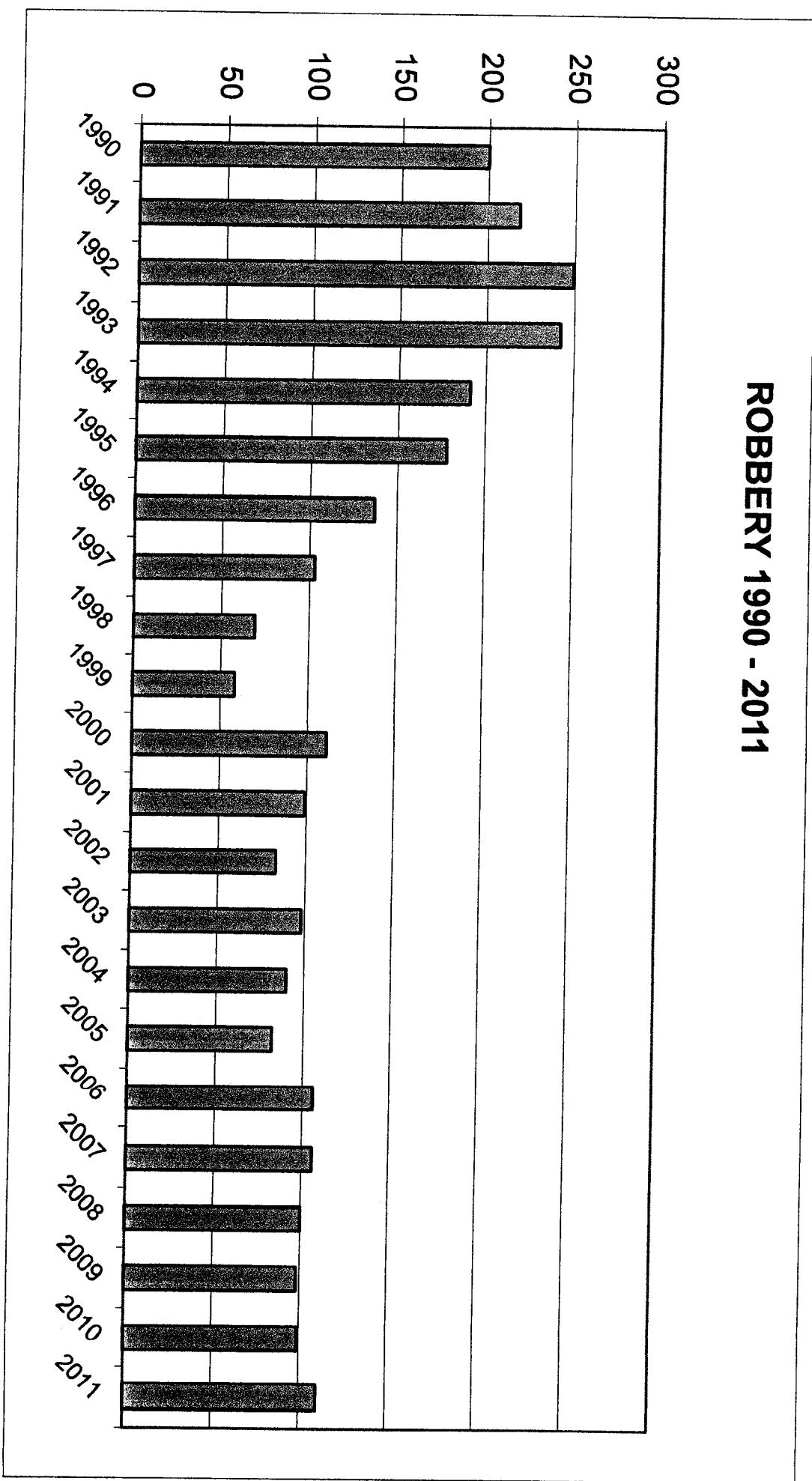
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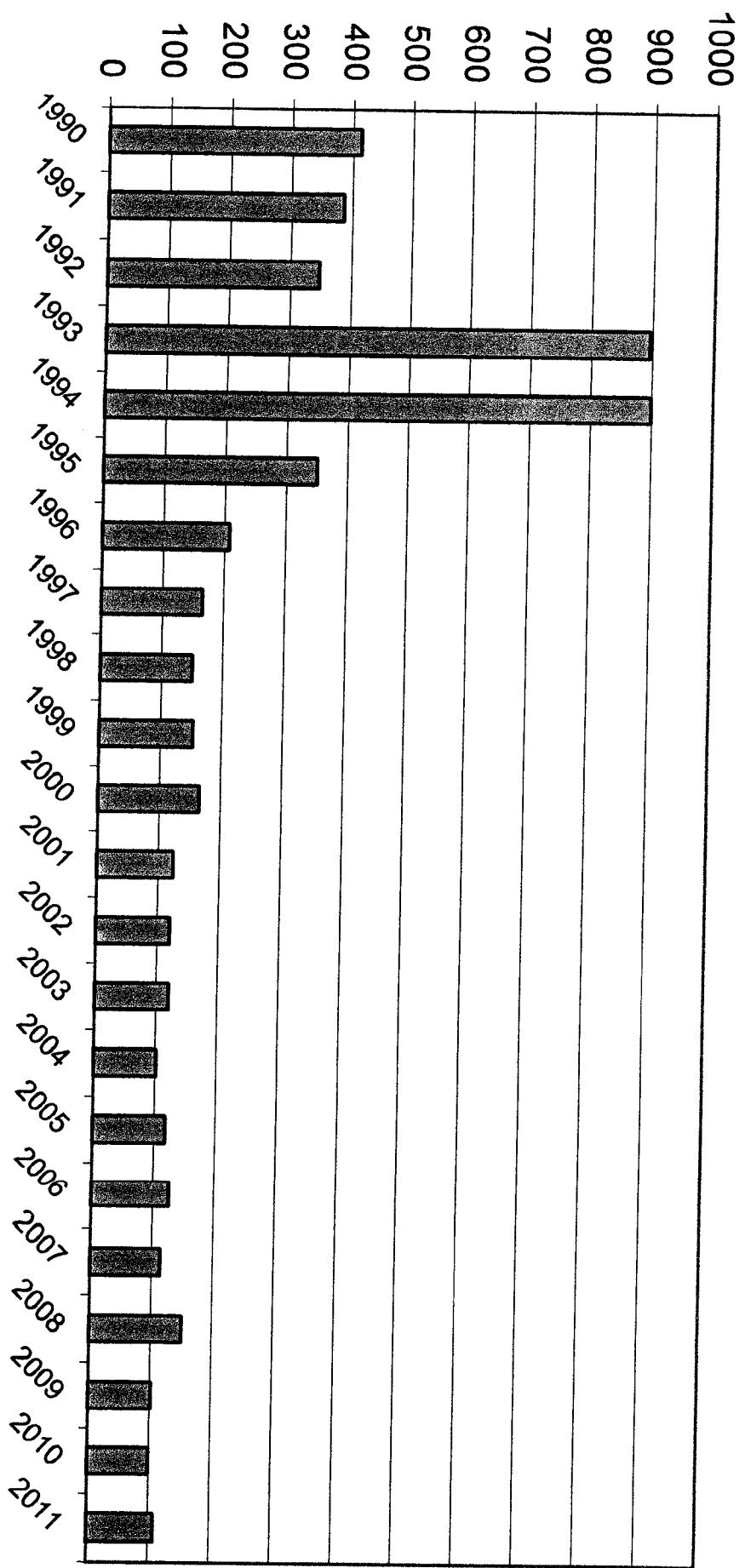
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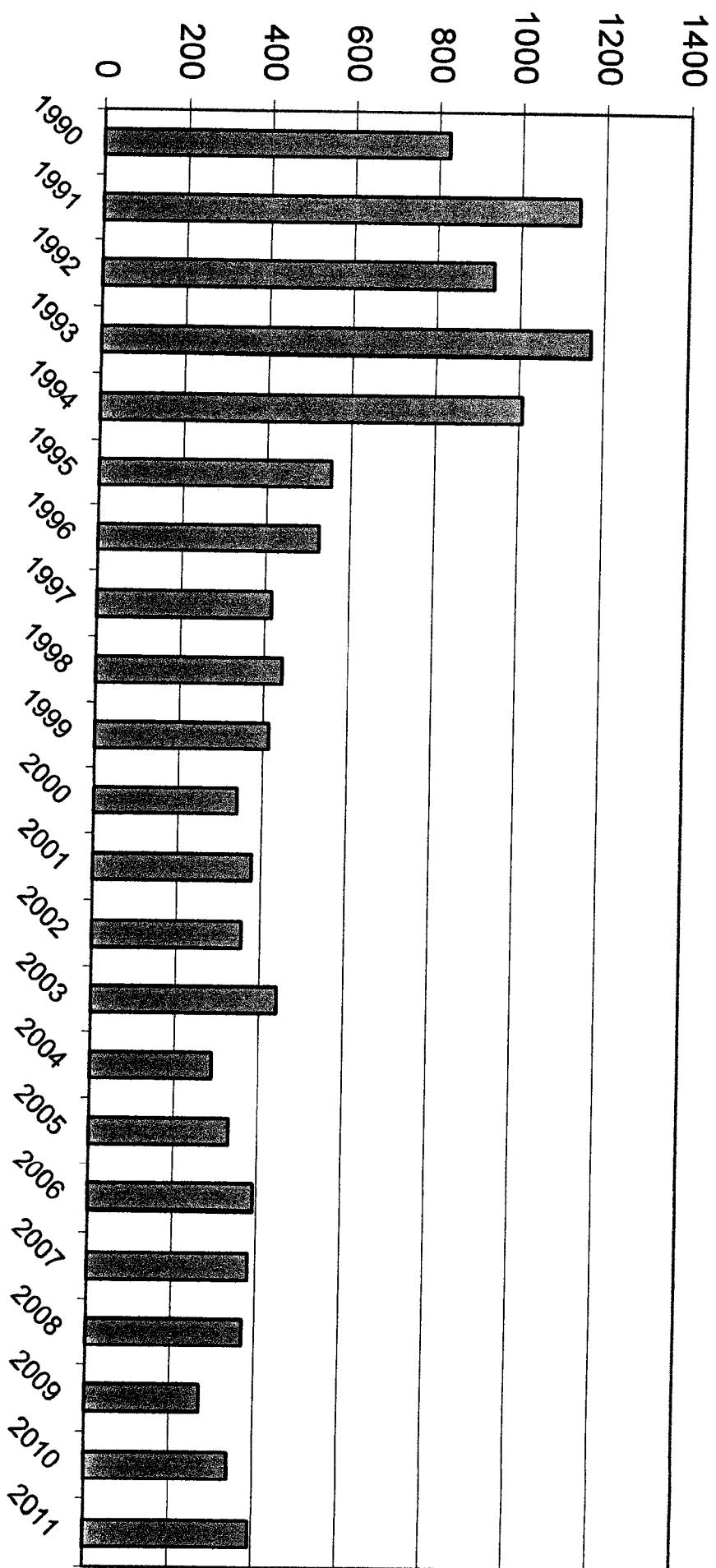
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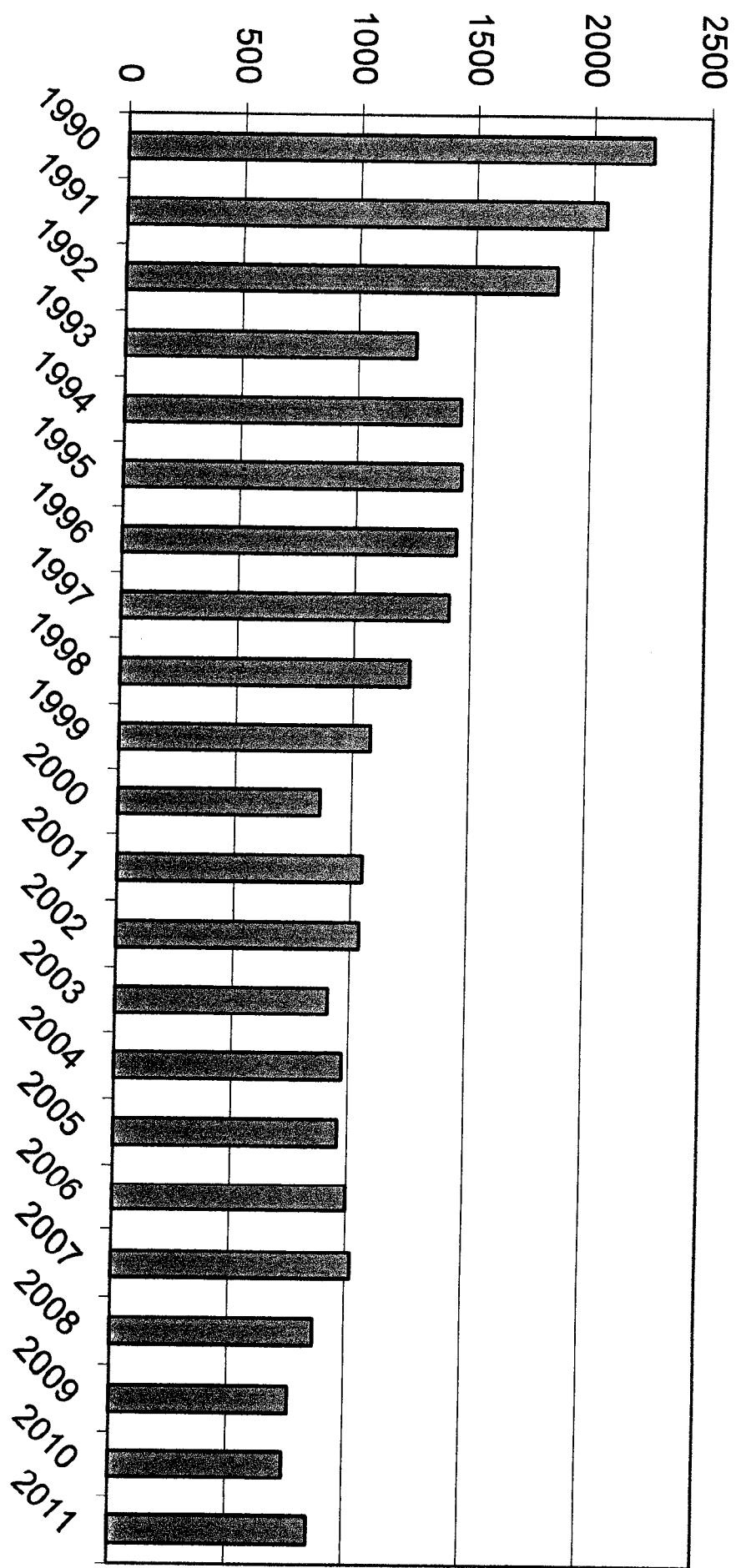
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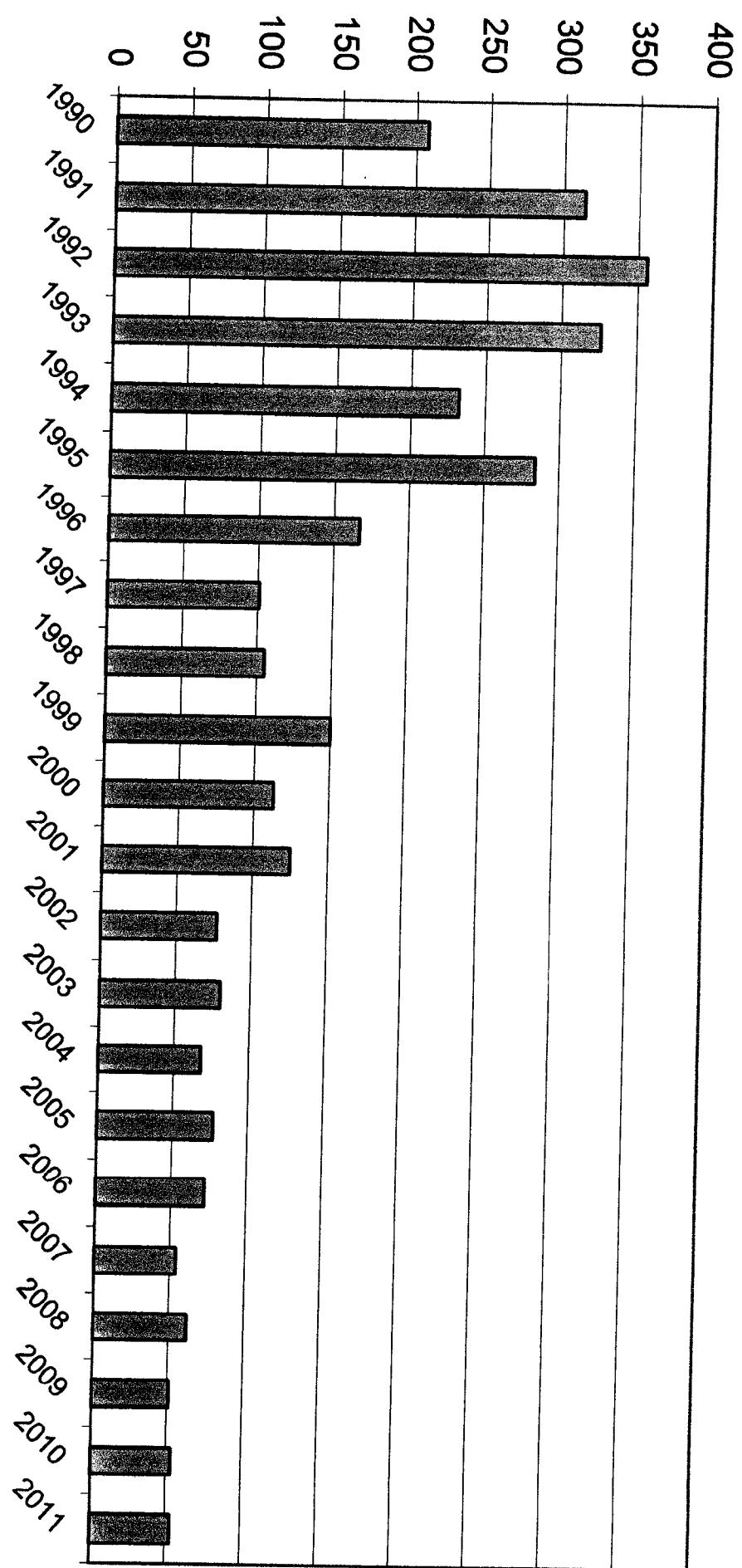
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