USE OF FORCE

April 2025 - March 2026

Uses of force

Total number of uses of force recorded
12,331

5,652 Compliant handcuffing	**3,345** Unarmed skills	**3,180** Non-compliant handcuffing	**2,466** Ground restraint
991 Other/improvised	**701** Limb/body restraints	**430** C.E.D (taser)	**265** Irritant spray - PAVA Used
182 Irritant spray - PAVA Drawn	**168** Dog deployed	**145** Firearms aimed	**132** Spit guard
66 Baton drawn	**37** Irritant spray - CS drawn	**35** Baton used	**24** Shield
16 Irritant spray - CS used	**6** AEP drawn	**5** Dog bite	**1** Firearms fired

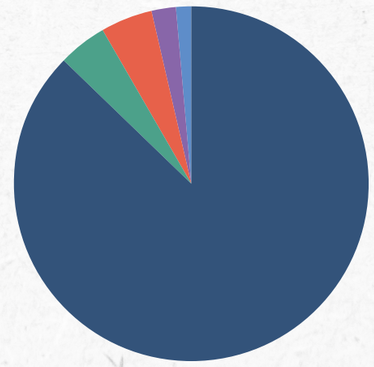
6,781 Tactical communications

Taser usage

430

Number of tasers discharged
20

Perceived ethnicity



- **10,754** White
- **564** Asian (or Asian British)
- **564** Black (or Black British)
- **270** Mixed
- **168** Other

Gender

Male	Female	Not recorded	Other
9,881	**2,392**	**38**	**20**

Reason for use of force

9,734	Protect self
8,062	Protect other officers
6,350	Protect subject
6,235	Effect arrest
6,009	Prevent escape
4,356	Prevent harm
3,538	Protect public
3,383	Protect offence
1,831	Secure evidence
1,373	Effect stop and search
673	Remove handcuffs
622	Effect search in custody
519	Effect other search
314	Other reason

Conduct/resistance

4,670	Compliant
4,085	General struggle
1,036	Passive resistance
756	Making off
676	Threats or gestures
323	Weapon
276	Kicking
165	Head butting
162	Punching
103	Spitting
74	Biting

Assaults on officers

136
Assault with Injury on a Constable.

456
Assault without Injury on a Constable.

58
Assault with Injury on other emergency worker.

139
Assault without Injury on other emergency worker.