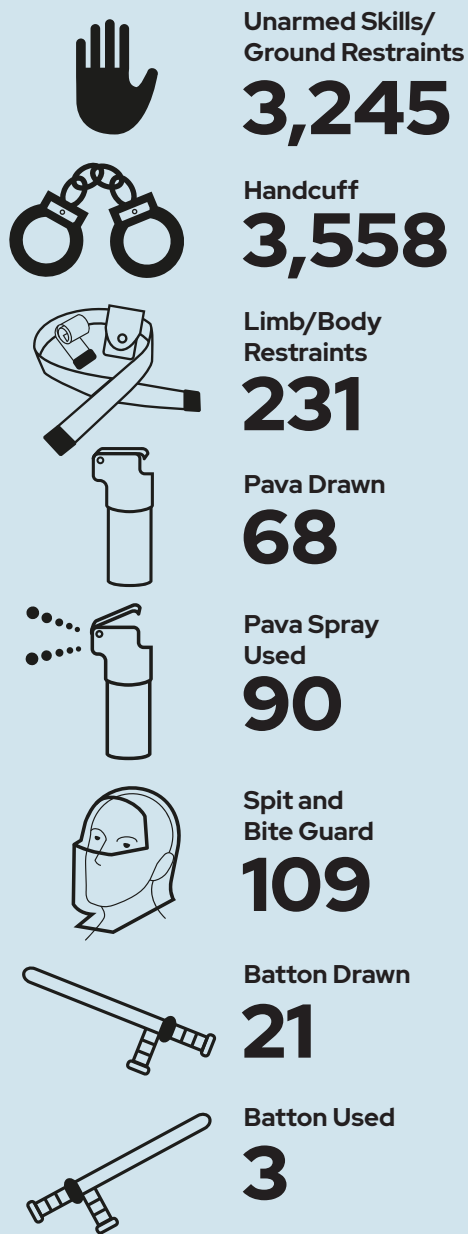


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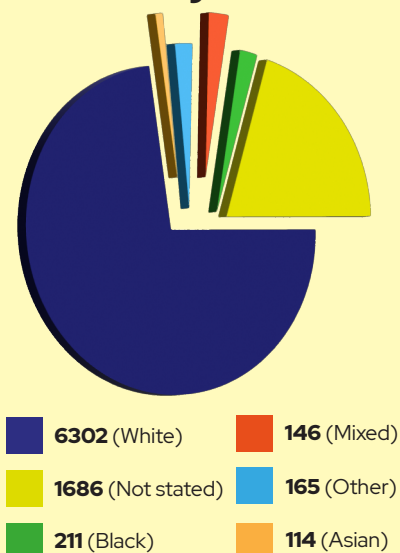
January to March

Tactic Used

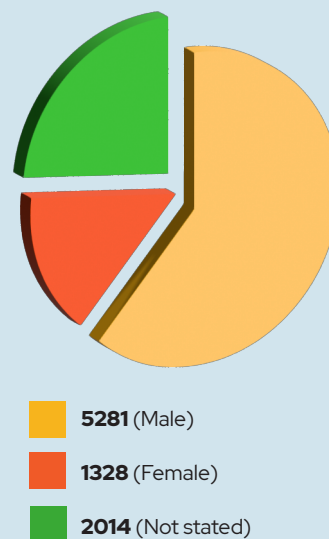


Officers may use more than one tactic/reason during one incident.

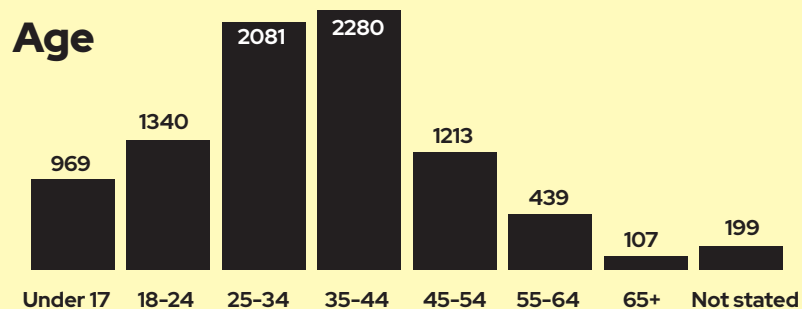
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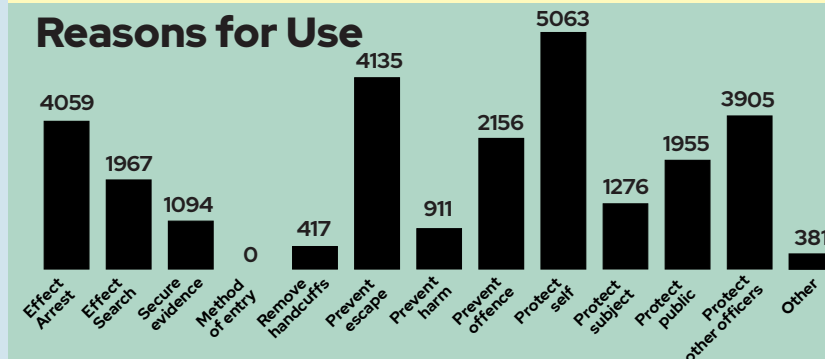
Gender



Age



Reasons for Use

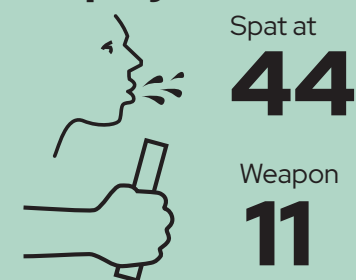


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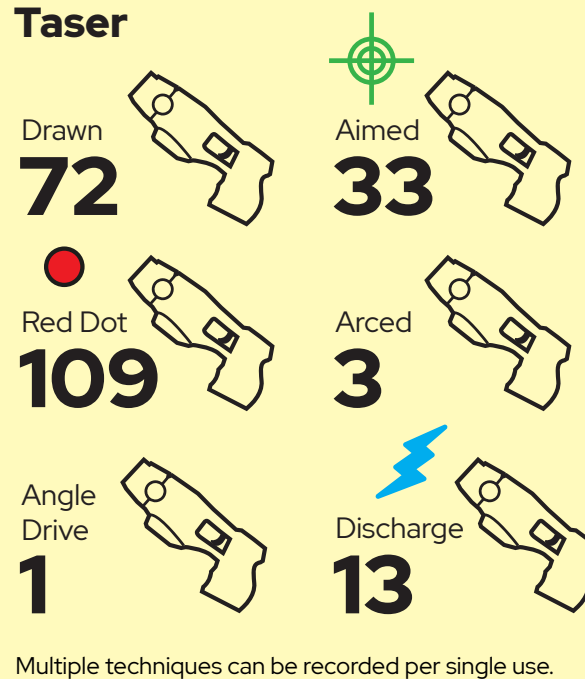


There may be instances where there are multiple reports submitted for one incident.

Employee Assaults

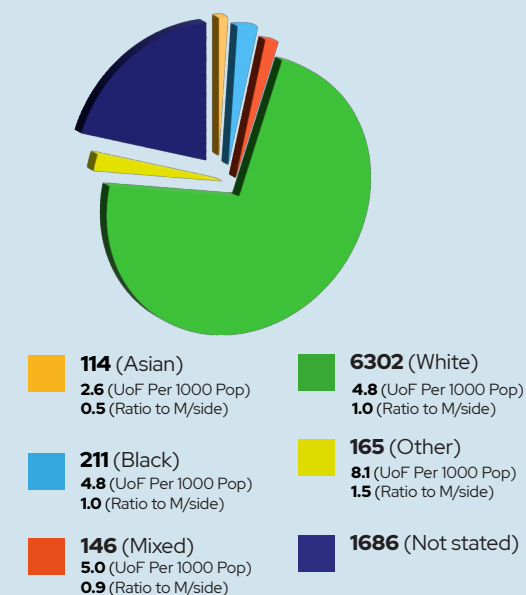


Taser



Multiple techniques can be recorded per single use.

Proportionality



Proportionality calculations assess whether a person of a certain ethnic group is more or less likely than any one person in Merseyside to be stop searched by comparing to data from the 2021 Census using rate per 1,000 population. The average is 1.0 – therefore anything above this is more likely. (e.g. the rate for Black is 2x higher than the average = 2.0).

Complaints

Complaints made in relation to Use of Force in Merseyside

in relation to UoF

37

Total of recorded UoF

0.43%

Feedback from the **Merseyside Independent Advisory Group** panels is fed back to line managers, and any themes for development are included in training and delivered through webinars and the Fairness in Policing Team.
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