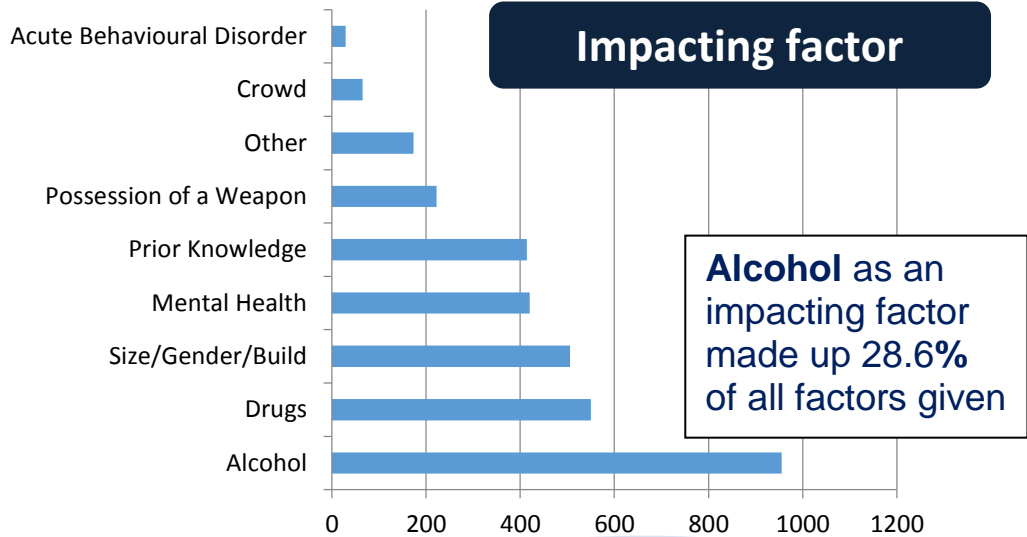


Use of Force

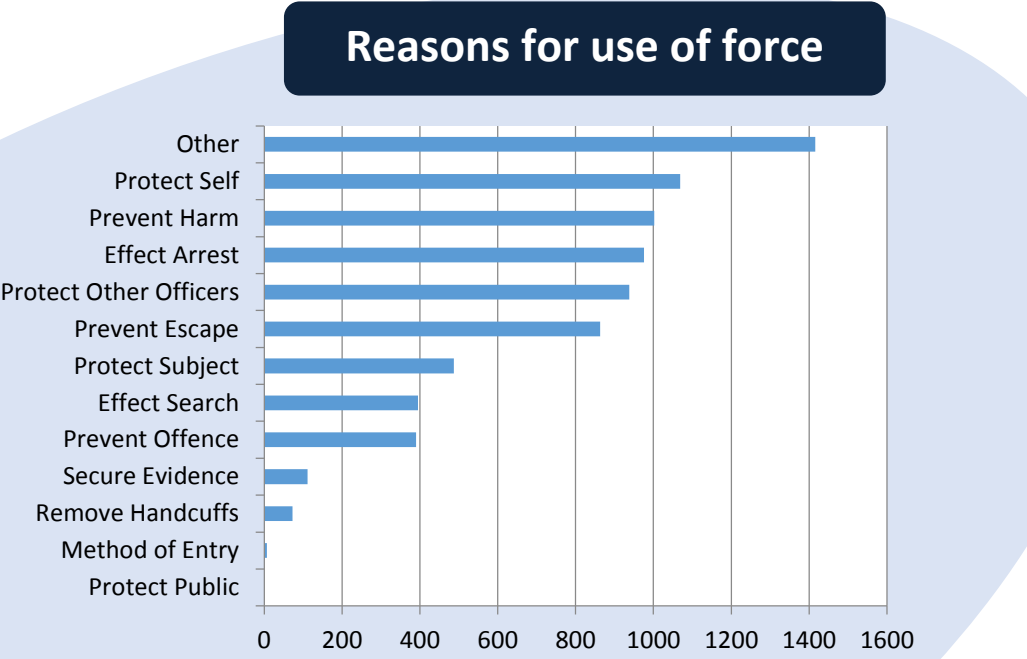
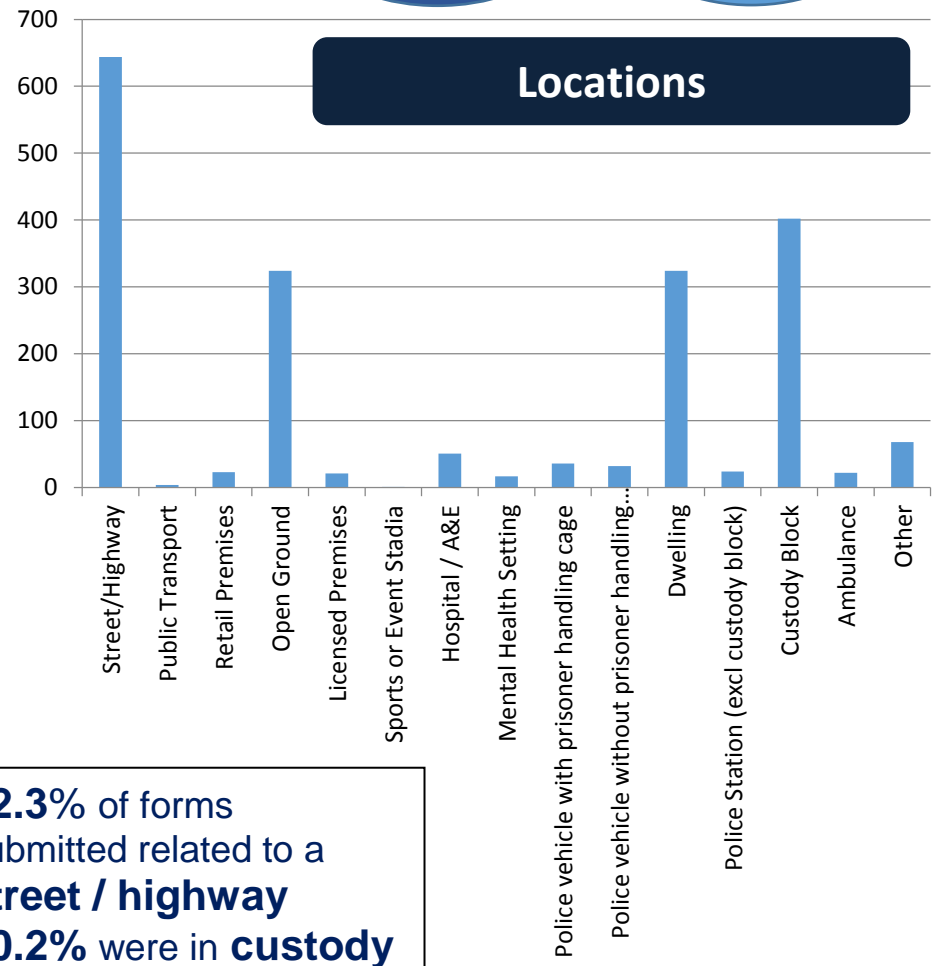
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Data limitations to note: This summary provides an insight into the number and content of the submitted use of force forms. **It should be noted that this does not provide an overview of the incidents themselves.** More than one form can be submitted against an individual incident if multiple officers are involved. It should also be noted that each form submitted can include multiple reasons for the use of force and various tactics may have been used. Details of the subject on the forms submitted will be duplicated. Therefore figures provided are purely an indication of the forms themselves.



Use of Force is used in a **very small portion** of incidents attended

1,746
Use of Force submissions in Q1 2019/20



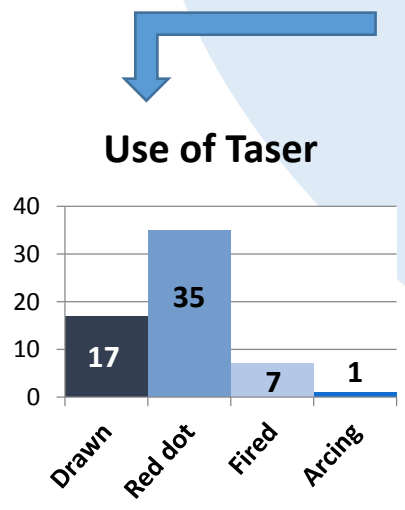
32.3% of forms submitted related to a **street / highway**
20.2% were in **custody**

Use of force is predominantly used to **protect self**. Police Officers have a **positive duty** to act and therefore will often place themselves between the threat and the public to **protect others**.

Tactics used

Physical Restraint	1012
Of which Compliant Handcuffing	617
Of which Non-Compliant Handcuffing	1154
Of which limb restraints	204
Of which ground restraint	660
Physical Strike	135
Of which shield	1
Of which Unarmed Skills (Physical Restraint + Strike)	477
Baton	13
Firearm	44
Irritant Spray	93
Police Dog	2
Restraint Accoutrement	134
Tactical Communications	95
Taser	60
Other	33

Physical restraint is the most used tactic.



If the same tactic is used more than once by an officer at an incident it is only counted once. However as more than one tactic can be used in a single incident then the overall totals for tactics used will be higher than the number of incidents recorded.

Subjects of forms submitted

8 out of 10 subjects were **Male**



79.3% (1,384) male and 20.7% (362) female

In **56%** (1746) of the forms submitted the subject was aged between **18-34 years old**

Person Age		
0-10	4	0.2%
11-17	151	8.6%
18-34	978	56.0%
35-49	463	26.5%
50-64	136	7.8%
65 and over	12	0.7%
Unknown	2	0.1%

