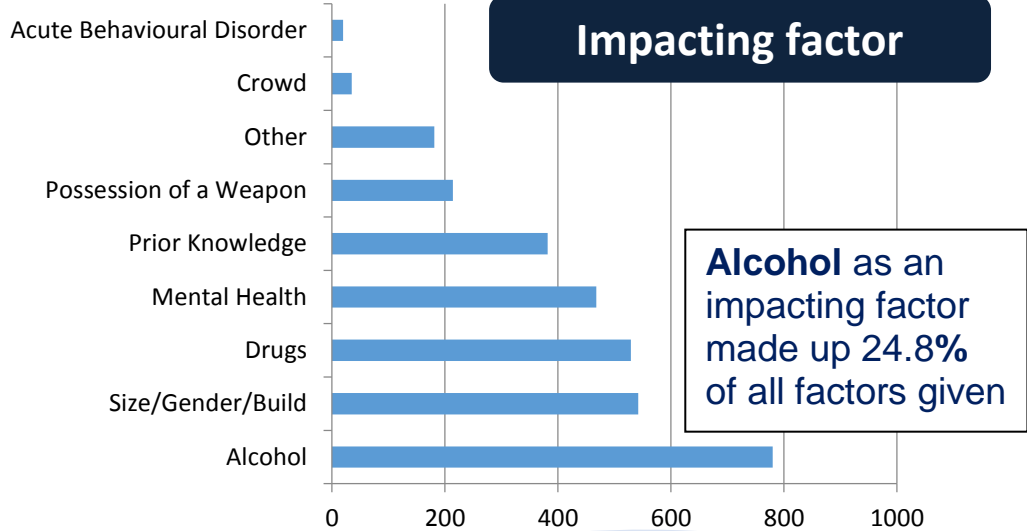


Use of Force

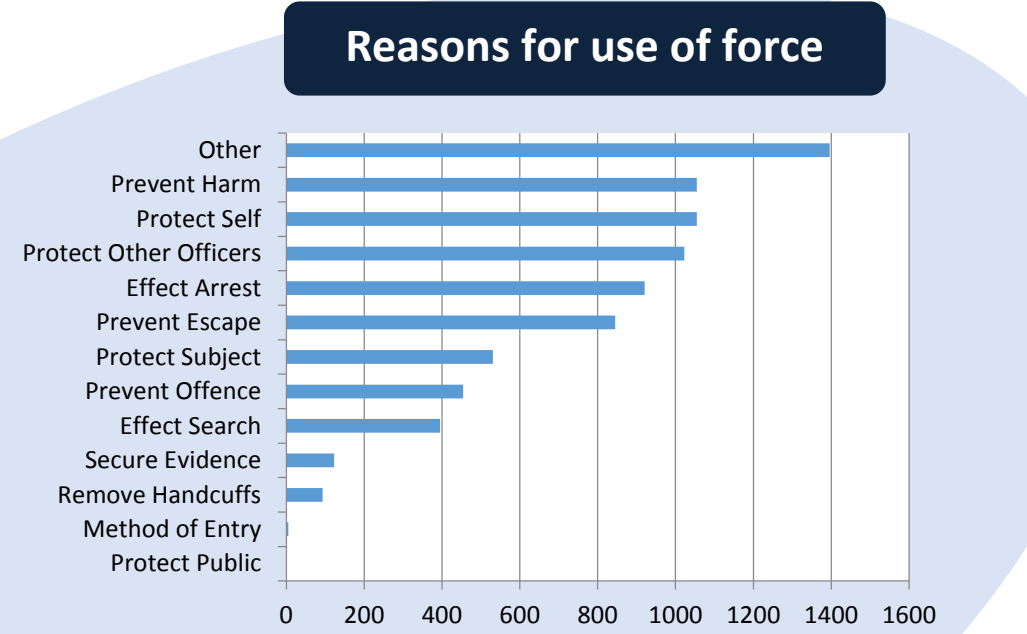
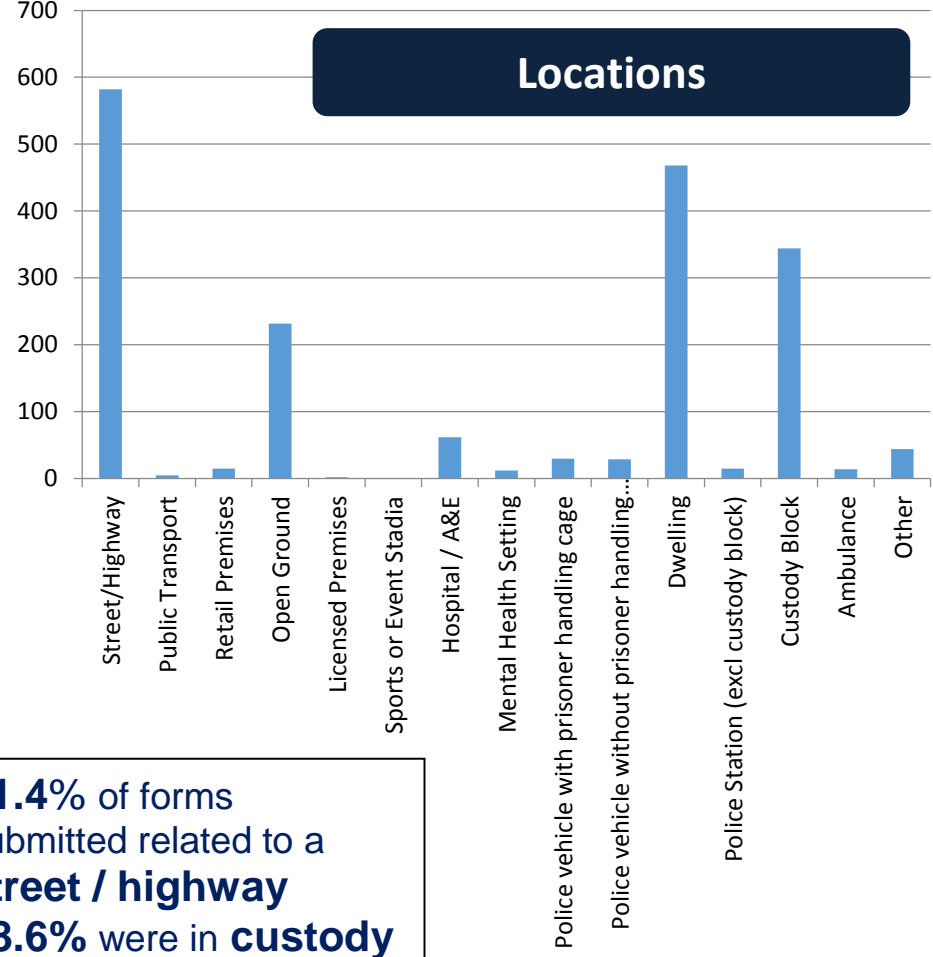
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Data limitations to note: This summary provides an insight into the number and content of the submitted use of force forms. **It should be noted that this does not provide an overview of the incidents themselves.** More than one form can be submitted 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

1,651 Use of Force submissions in Q1 2020/21



31.4% of forms submitted related to a **street / highway**
18.6% 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	979
Of which Compliant Handcuffing	603
Of which Non-Compliant Handcuffing	1125
Of which limb restraints	185
Of which ground restraint	634
Physical Strike	121
Of which shield	0
Of which Unarmed Skills (Physical Restraint + Strike)	461
Baton	3
Firearm	44
Irritant Spray	69
Police Dog	7
Restraint Accoutrement	108
Tactical Communications	106
Taser	43
Other	31

Physical restraint is the most used tactic.

Subjects of forms submitted

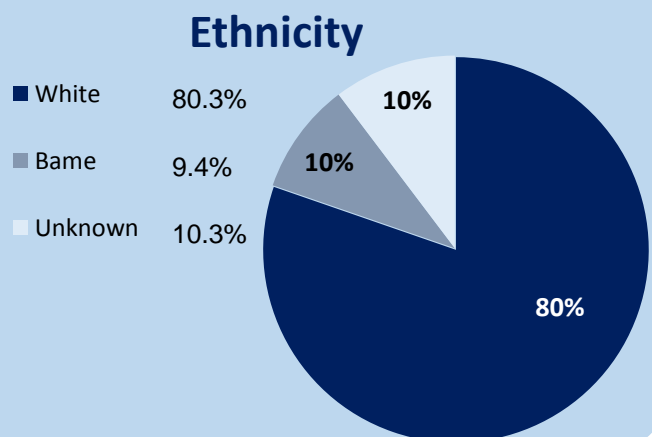
8 out of 10 subjects were **Male**



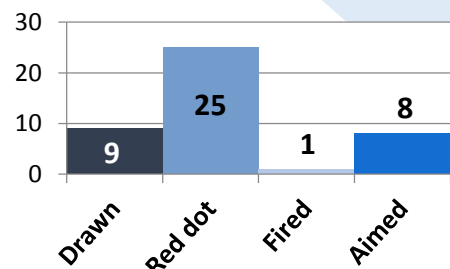
77.7% (1,283) male and 22.3% (368) female

In **47.4%** (783) of the forms submitted the subject was aged between **18-34 years old**

Person Age	Count	Percentage
11-17	163	9.9%
18-34	783	47.4%
35-49	512	31.0%
50-64	171	10.4%
65 and over	20	1.2%
Unknown	2	0.1%



Use of Taser



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.