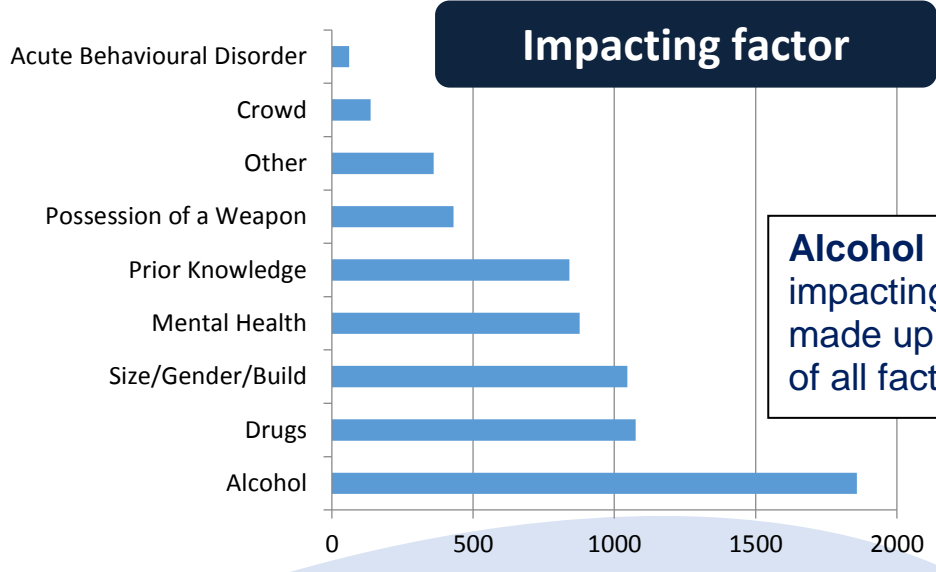


Use of Force

Q2 2019/20 – April to September

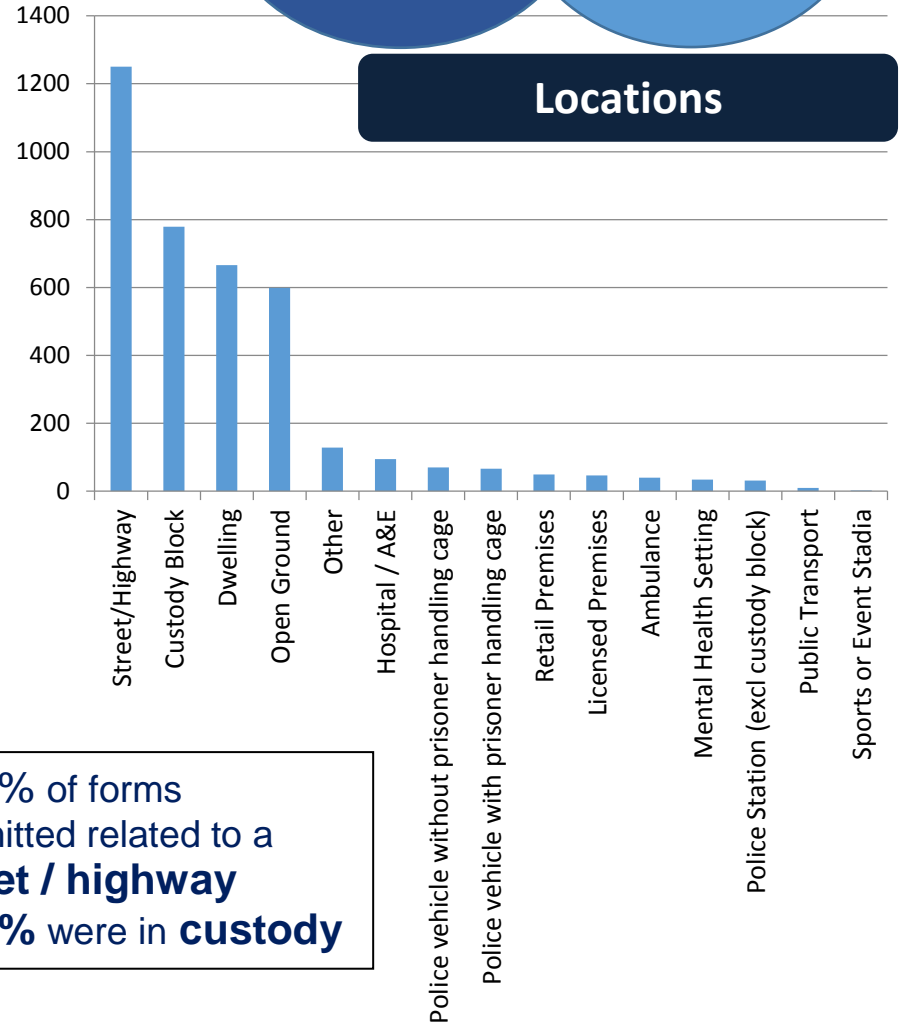
Data limitations to note: This summary provides an insight into the number and content of the submitted use of force forms. **It should be noted that this does not provide an overview of the incidents themselves.** More than one form can be submitted against an individual incident if multiple officers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



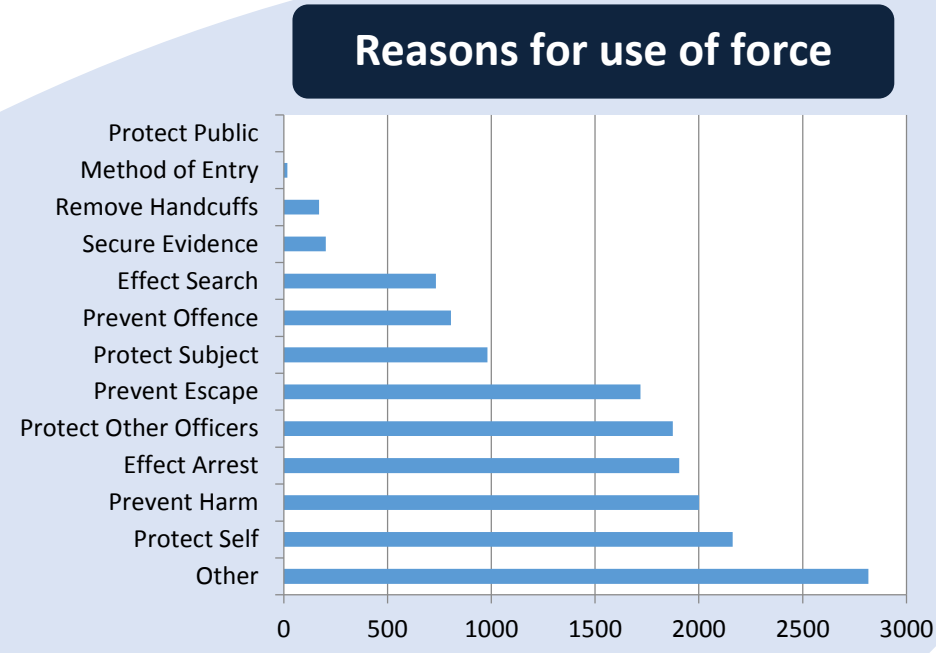
Alcohol as an impacting factor made up 27.8% of all factors given

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

3,428
Use of Force submissions in Q2 2019/20



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



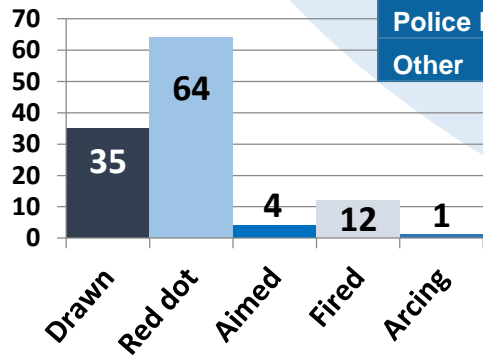
Use of force is predominantly used to **protect self**. Police Officers have a **positive duty** to act and therefore will often place themselves between the threat and the public to **protect others**.

Tactics used

Physical Restraint	2053
Of which Compliant Handcuffing	1202
Of which Non-Compliant Handcuffing	2302
Of which limb restraints	381
Of which ground restraint	1295
Physical Strike	280
Of which shield	1
Of which Unarmed Skills (Physical Restraint + Strike)	962
Baton	23
Firearm	86
Irritant Spray	187
Taser	116
Restraint Accoutrement	241
Tactical Communications	170
Police Dog	12
Other	70

Physical restraint is the most used tactic.

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.

Subjects of forms submitted

8 out of 10 subjects were **Male**



79.9% (2,739) male and 20.1% (689) female

In **54%** (1851) of the forms submitted the subject was aged between **18-34 years old**

Person Age		
0 - 10	7	0.2%
11 - 17	297	8.7%
18 - 34	1851	54.0%
35 - 49	942	27.5%
50 - 64	295	8.6%
65 and over	32	0.9%
Unknown	4	0.1%

