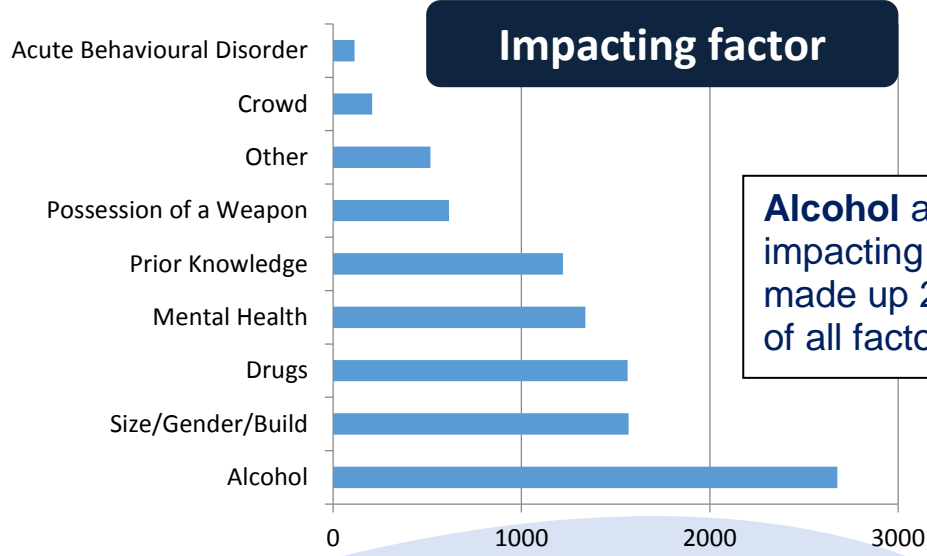


Use of Force

Q3 2019/20 – April to December

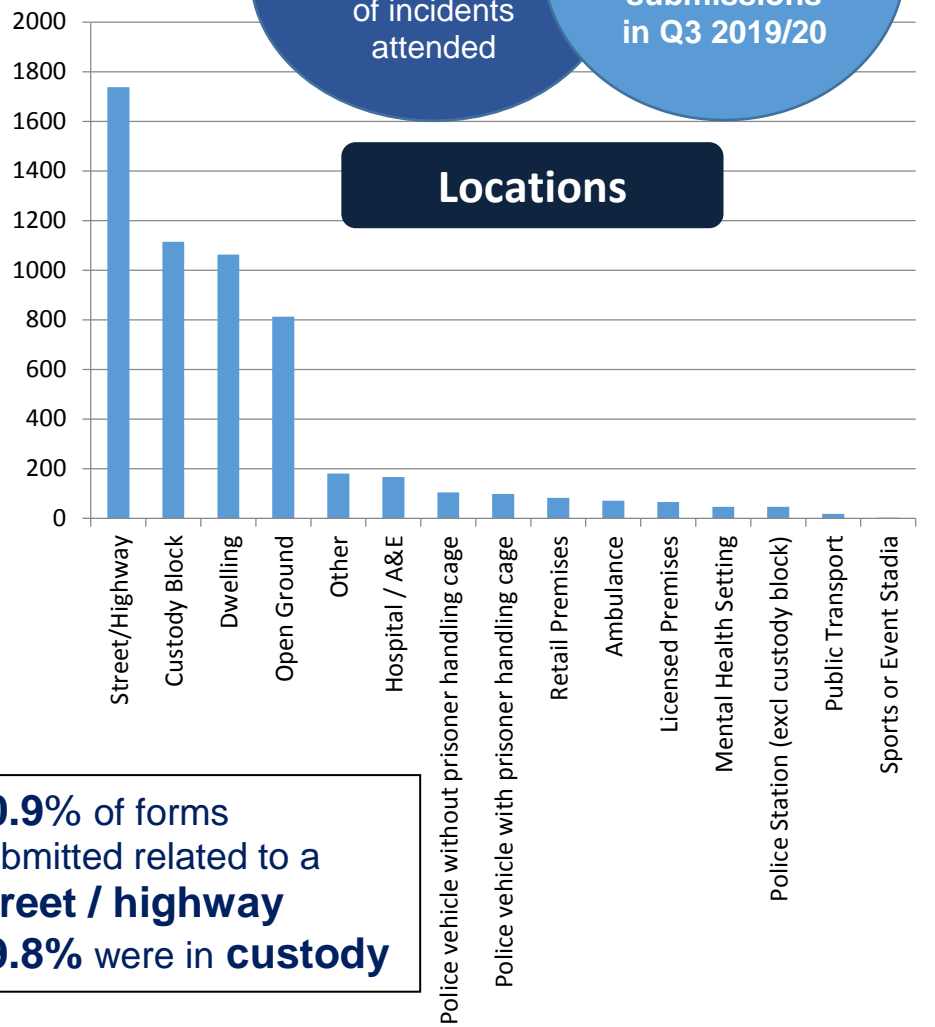
Data limitations to note: This summary provides an insight into the number and content of the submitted use of force forms. **It should be noted that this does not provide an overview of the incidents themselves.** More than one form can be submitted against an individual incident if multiple officers 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 27.2% of all factors given

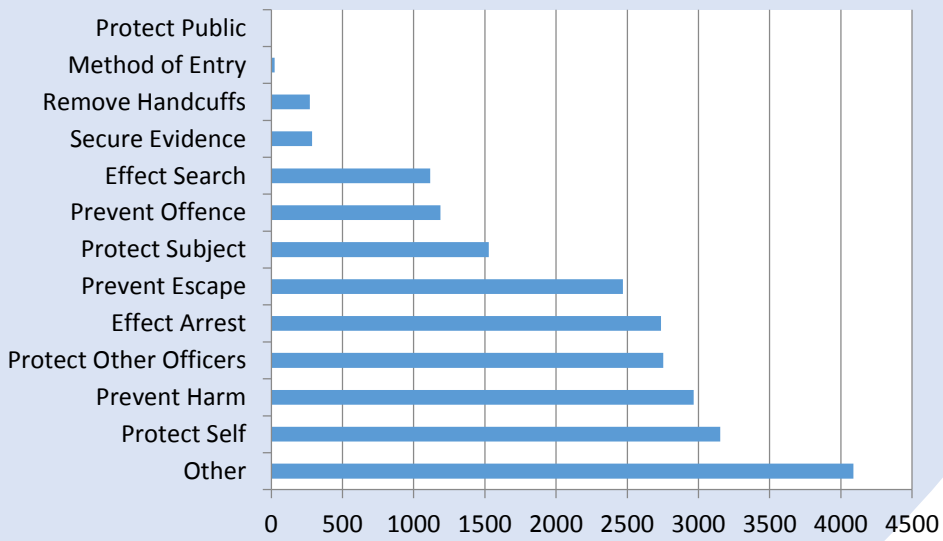
Use of Force is used in a **very small portion** of incidents attended

4,934 Use of Force submissions in Q3 2019/20



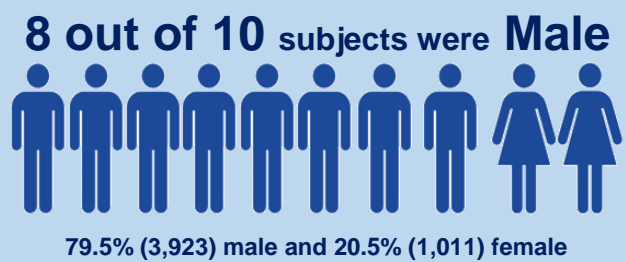
30.9% of forms submitted related to a **street / highway**
19.8% were in **custody**

Reasons for use of force



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**.

Subjects of forms submitted

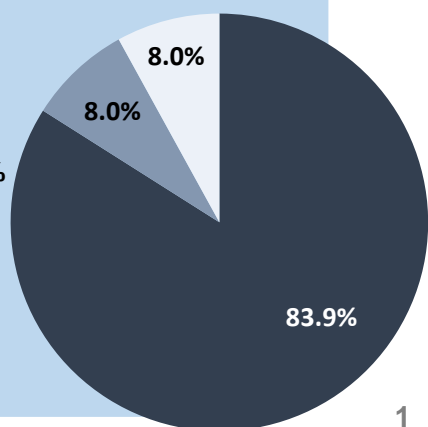


In **54.8%** (2,706) of the forms submitted the subject was aged between **18-34 years old**

Person Age		
0-10	9	0.2%
11-17	386	7.8%
18-34	2706	54.8%
35-49	1345	27.3%
50-64	436	8.8%
65 and over	46	0.9%
Unknown	6	0.1%

Ethnicity

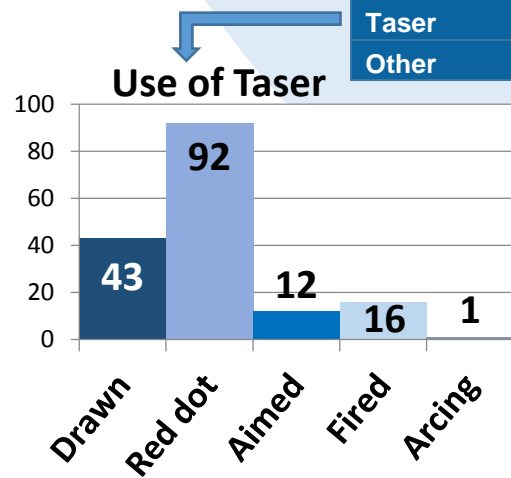
White **83.9%**
Bame **8%**
Unknown **8%**



Tactics used

Physical Restraint	2986
Of which Compliant Handcuffing	1720
Of which Non-Compliant Handcuffing	3363
Of which limb restraints	573
Of which ground restraint	1918
Physical Strike	389
Of which shield	1
Of which Unarmed Skills (Physical Restraint + Strike)	1423
Baton	24
Firearm	108
Irritant Spray	255
Police Dog	19
Restraint Accoutrement	345
Tactical Communications	260
Taser	164
Other	98

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.