



USE OF FORCE – CUMBRIA

2020/21 data

This report summarises use of force between 1st July 2020 and 30th of September 2020.

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All figures quoted in the document are for the date period 01/07/2020 to 30/09/2020.

During the above period, there were **1531** use of force forms completed in Cumbria.

Tactics Used

Please see the data table below which highlights the different tactics used: (please note there may be more than one tactic used against an individual)

Also note tactical communications will only be recorded if another tactic is subsequently used.

Tactics used	Count	%
Tactical Communications (use of communication skills with the purpose of achieving control)	876	27.68%
Unarmed skills (including pressure points, strikes, restraints and takedowns)	616	19.46%
Handcuffing (non-compliant)	493	15.58%
Handcuffing (compliant)	415	13.11%
Ground restraint	301	9.51%
Irritant spray – PAVA used	116	3.67%
C.E.D (includes drawn)	109	3.44%
Other/improvised	101	3.19%
Limb/Body restraints	56	1.77%
Irritant spray – PAVA drawn	41	1.30%
Spit guard	20	0.63%
Baton drawn	8	0.25%
Firearms	7	0.22%
Baton used	3	0.09%
Shield	2	0.06%
Dog deployed	1	0.03%
Total Tactics	3165	100.00%

Subject data

Of the 1531 use of force forms completed, 1123 (73.4%) of these involved a male subject, compared to 352 (23.0%) female subjects. There were 8 transgender subjects (0.5%) and 48 (3.1%) records where the gender was not specified.

The table below represents the ethnic breakdown of the subjects:

Subject Ethnicity	Count	%
White	1483	96.86%
Unknown	15	0.98%
Asian (or Asian British)	12	0.78%
Black (or Black British)	13	0.85%
Mixed	5	0.33%
Chinese	0	0.00%
Other	3	0.20%
Total BaME	33	2.16%
Total	1531	100.00%

Please see below a table, which highlights the breakdown of uses of force against subjects by different age groups:

Subject age group	Count	%
0-10	1	0.07%
11-17	133	8.69%
18-34	760	49.64%
35-49	422	27.56%
50-64	116	7.58%
65 and over	25	1.63%
Not specified	74	4.83%
Total	1531	100.00%

There were a total of 108 (7.0%) uses of force which resulted in an injury to the subjects. All of these were minor.

Officers injured

There were a total of 53 (3.4%) injuries against officers. 52 injuries were minor and 1 was severe.