



USE OF FORCE – CUMBRIA

2022/23 data

This report summarises use of force between 1st July 2022 and 30th of September 2022.

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All figures quoted in the document are for the date period 01/07/2022 to 30/09/2022.

During the above period, there were **1766** 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).

Tactics	Count	%
Tactical communications	745	27.40%
Unarmed skills	559	20.56%
Compliant handcuffing	485	17.84%
Non-compliant handcuffing	336	12.36%
Ground restraint	188	6.91%
Other / improvised	176	6.47%
C.E.D	75	2.76%
Irritant spray - PAVA used	61	2.24%
Irritant spray - PAVA drawn	37	1.36%
Limb / Body restraints	24	0.88%
Spit guard	18	0.66%
Baton drawn	5	0.18%
Baton used	4	0.15%
AEP drawn	2	0.07%
Firearms aimed	2	0.07%
Dog deployed	1	0.04%
Dog bite	1	0.04%
Grand Total	2719	100.00%

Taser Usage:

As above, note the following could be subsequent taser tactics on the same form.

Taser Use	Count	%
Red-dot	32	42.67%
Drawn	29	38.67%
Aimed	7	9.33%
Fired	7	9.33%
Grand Total	75	100.00%

Subject data

The table below represents the gender breakdown of the subjects:

Gender	Count	%
Male	1361	77.07%
Female	390	22.08%
Other	15	0.85%
Grand Total	1766	100.00%

The table below represents the ethnic breakdown (officer defined) of the subjects:

Officer Defined Ethnicity	Count	%
White	1693	95.87%
Black (or Black British)	23	1.30%
Asian (or Asian British)	20	1.13%
Other	17	0.96%
Mixed	10	0.57%
Unknown	3	0.17%
Grand Total	1766	100.00%

The table below represents the age group breakdown of the subjects:

Age Group	Count	%
under 11 years	4	0.23%
11 - 17 years	182	10.31%
18 - 34 years	822	46.55%
35 - 49 years	543	30.75%
50 - 64 years	171	9.68%
65 and over	31	1.76%
Unknown	13	0.74%
Grand Total	1766	100.00%

There were 102 injuries to subjects (9 were not caused by force) – of these 98 were minor, and 4 were severe.

Officers injured

There was a total of 17 (0.96%) injuries against officers. 1 injury was severe.

Reasons:

The following table shows the reasons why the police have used force – multiple reasons can be selected per form.

Reasons	Count	%
Reason for force: protect self	1185	17.98%
Reason for force: protect other officers	1012	15.35%
Reason for force: effect arrest	806	12.23%
Reason for force: protect subject	771	11.70%
Reason for force: prevent escape	603	9.15%
Reason for force: prevent harm	509	7.72%
Reason for force: prevent offence	494	7.49%
Reason for force: protect public	469	7.11%
Reason for force: secure evidence	160	2.43%
Reason for force: effect other search	127	1.93%
Reason for force: other	127	1.93%
Reason for force: effect search in custody	114	1.73%
Reason for force: effect stop and search	111	1.68%
Reason for force: remove handcuffs	104	1.58%
Grand Total	6592	100.00%

Outcomes:

The following table shows the outcomes entered per use of force form – multiple outcomes can be selected per form.

Outcomes	Count	%
Outcome - arrested	1246	68.09%
Outcome - other	220	12.02%
Outcome - no further action	213	11.64%
Outcome - hospitalised	90	4.92%
Outcome - detained (Mental Health Act)	61	3.33%
Grand Total	1830	100.00%