



# USE OF FORCE – CUMBRIA

2019/20 data

This report summarises use of force between 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2019.

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All figures quoted in the document are for the date period 01/10/2019 to 31/12/2019.

During the above period, there were **1200** 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)

The figures above show that the most used tactic was tactical communications. (Tactical communications are defined as the use of communication skills with the purpose of achieving control) This represents 29.8% of all tactics used for this period. 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)	767	29.8%
Unarmed skills (including pressure points, strikes, restraints and takedowns)	518	20.1%
Handcuffing (non-compliant)	414	16.1%
Handcuffing (compliant)	319	12.4%
Ground restraint	221	8.6%
C.E.D	95	3.7%
Irritant spray – PAVA used	71	2.8%
Other/improvised	70	2.7%
Irritant spray – PAVA drawn	34	1.3%
Limb/Body restraints	33	1.3%
Spit guard	13	0.5%
Baton drawn	7	0.3%
Dog deployed	4	0.2%
Baton used	4	0.2%
AEP drawn	3	0.1%
Firearms	3	0.1%
Shield	1	0.0%
AEP used	0	0.0%
Dog biting	0	0.0%
<b>Total Tactics</b>	<b>2577</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### Subject data

Of the 1200 use of force forms completed, 919 (76.6%) of these involved a male subject, compared to 266 (22.2%) female subjects. There was 1 transgender subject (0.1%) and 14 (1.2%) records were left blank.

The table below represents the ethnic breakdown of the subjects:

Subject Ethnicity	Count	%
White	1169	97.4%
Unknown	8	0.7%
Asian (or Asian British)	10	0.8%
Black (or Black British)	6	0.5%
Mixed	6	0.5%
Chinese	0	0.0%
Other	1	0.1%
<b>Total BaME</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

There were 18 (1.5%) uses of force against subjects who were deemed to have a physical impairment.

There were 420 (35.0%) uses of force against subjects who were deemed to have a mental impairment.

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	0.1%
11-17	93	7.8%
18-34	648	54.0%
35-49	337	28.1%
50-64	81	6.8%
65 and over	9	0.8%
Not specified	31	2.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

There were a total of 96 (8%) uses of force which resulted in an injury to the subjects. 95 of these were minor (7.9%), and 1 was severe (0.1%).

### Officers injured

There were a total of 55 (4.6%) injuries against officers. All injuries were minor.

Officer injury level	Count	%
No injury	1145	95.4%
Minor	55	4.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>100.0%</b>