



USE OF FORCE – CUMBRIA

2022/23 data

This report summarises use of force between 1st October 2022 and 31st of December 2022.

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All figures quoted in the document are for the date period 01/10/2022 to 31/12/2022.

During the above period, there were **2215** 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	%
Unarmed skills	687	24.59%
Compliant handcuffing	616	22.05%
Non-compliant handcuffing	403	14.42%
Tactical communications	374	13.39%
Ground restraint	261	9.34%
Other / improvised	182	6.51%
C.E.D	105	3.76%
Irritant spray - PAVA used	62	2.22%
Limb / Body restraints	40	1.43%
Irritant spray - PAVA drawn	22	0.79%
Spit guard	20	0.72%
Dog deployed	6	0.21%
Baton used	6	0.21%
AEP drawn	4	0.14%
Baton drawn	3	0.11%
Firearms fired	2	0.07%
Dog bite	1	0.04%
Grand Total	2794	100.00%

Taser Usage:

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

Taser Use	Count	%
Red-dot	64	64.00%
Drawn	21	21.00%
Fired	8	8.00%
Aimed	7	7.00%
Grand Total	100	100.00%

Subject data

The table below represents the gender breakdown of the subjects:

Gender	Count	%
Male	1693	76.43%
Female	508	22.93%
Other	14	0.63%
Grand Total	2215	100.00%

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

Officer Defined Ethnicity	Count	%
White	2070	93.45%
Black (or Black British)	50	2.26%
Asian (or Asian British)	39	1.76%
Other	21	0.95%
Mixed	20	0.90%
Unknown	15	0.68%
Grand Total	2215	100.00%

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

Age Group	Count	%
under 11 years	6	0.27%
11 - 17 years	176	7.95%
18 - 34 years	1087	49.07%
35 - 49 years	690	31.15%
50 - 64 years	212	9.57%
65 and over	29	1.31%
Unknown	15	0.68%
Grand Total	2215	100.00%

There were 106 injuries to subjects (8 were not caused by force) – of these 103 were minor, and 3 were severe.

Officers injured

There was a total of 44 (1.99%) injuries against officers. 2 injuries were 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	1345	17.32%
Reason for force: protect other officers	1117	14.39%
Reason for force: effect arrest	1010	13.01%
Reason for force: protect subject	889	11.45%
Reason for force: prevent escape	653	8.41%
Reason for force: prevent offence	574	7.39%
Reason for force: prevent harm	518	6.67%
Reason for force: protect public	498	6.41%
Reason for force: secure evidence	283	3.64%
Reason for force: effect stop and search	218	2.81%
Reason for force: effect other search	188	2.42%
Reason for force: other	168	2.16%
Reason for force: effect search in custody	161	2.07%
Reason for force: remove handcuffs	143	1.84%
Grand Total	7765	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	1519	66.80%
Outcome - no further action	323	14.20%
Outcome - other	265	11.65%
Outcome - hospitalised	103	4.53%
Outcome - detained (Mental Health Act)	64	2.81%
Grand Total	2274	100.00%