



USE OF FORCE – CUMBRIA

2022/23 data

This report summarises use of force between 1st January 2023 and 31st of March 2023.

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All figures quoted in the document are for the date period 01/01/2023 to 31/03/2023.

During the above period, there were **1976** 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 | % |
|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Compliant handcuffing | 702 | 26.62% |
| Unarmed skills | 693 | 26.28% |
| Non-compliant handcuffing | 399 | 15.13% |
| Ground restraint | 250 | 9.48% |
| Other / improvised | 233 | 8.84% |
| C.E.D | 102 | 3.87% |
| Tactical communications | 80 | 3.03% |
| Irritant spray - PAVA used | 62 | 2.35% |
| Limb / Body restraints | 51 | 1.93% |
| Spit guard | 24 | 0.91% |
| Irritant spray - PAVA drawn | 14 | 0.53% |
| Dog deployed | 11 | 0.42% |
| Baton drawn | 9 | 0.34% |
| AEP drawn | 4 | 0.15% |
| Baton used | 2 | 0.08% |
| Shield | 1 | 0.04% |
| Grand Total | 2637 | 100.00% |

Taser Usage:

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

| Taser Use | Count | % |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Red-dot | 52 | 42.98% |
| Drawn | 50 | 41.32% |
| Aimed | 16 | 13.22% |
| Fired | 3 | 2.48% |
| Grand Total | 121 | 100.00% |

Subject data

The table below represents the gender breakdown of the subjects:

| Gender | Count | % |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Male | 1504 | 76.11% |
| Female | 460 | 23.28% |
| Other | 11 | 0.56% |
| Unknown | 1 | 0.05% |
| Grand Total | 1976 | 100.00% |

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

| Officer Defined Ethnicity | Count | % |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| White | 1870 | 94.64% |
| Asian (or Asian British) | 30 | 1.52% |
| Other | 27 | 1.37% |
| Black (or Black British) | 23 | 1.16% |
| Mixed | 21 | 1.06% |
| Unknown | 5 | 0.25% |
| Grand Total | 1976 | 100.00% |

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

| Age Group | Count | % |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| under 11 years | 7 | 0.35% |
| 11 - 17 years | 211 | 10.68% |
| 18 - 34 years | 978 | 49.49% |
| 35 - 49 years | 564 | 28.54% |
| 50 - 64 years | 188 | 9.51% |
| 65 and over | 20 | 1.01% |
| Unknown | 8 | 0.40% |
| Grand Total | 1976 | 100.00% |

There were 101 injuries to subjects (13 were not caused by force) – of these 100 were minor, and 1 was severe.

Officers injured

There was a total of 39 (1.97%) injuries against officers. All injuries were minor.

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 | 1121 | 15.25% |
| Reason for force: protect other officers | 973 | 13.24% |
| Reason for force: effect arrest | 925 | 12.58% |
| Reason for force: other | 799 | 10.87% |
| Reason for force: protect subject | 764 | 10.39% |
| Reason for force: prevent escape | 606 | 8.24% |
| Reason for force: prevent offence | 488 | 6.64% |
| Reason for force: prevent harm | 463 | 6.30% |
| Reason for force: protect public | 462 | 6.28% |
| Reason for force: secure evidence | 235 | 3.20% |
| Reason for force: effect stop and search | 160 | 2.18% |
| Reason for force: effect other search | 133 | 1.81% |
| Reason for force: remove handcuffs | 116 | 1.58% |
| Reason for force: effect search in custody | 106 | 1.44% |
| Grand Total | 7351 | 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 | 1376 | 68.42% |
| Outcome - no further action | 262 | 13.03% |
| Outcome - other | 198 | 9.85% |
| Outcome - hospitalised | 111 | 5.52% |
| Outcome - detained (Mental Health Act) | 64 | 3.18% |
| Grand Total | 2011 | 100.00% |