



North Wales Police (NWP) Use of Force between 01/07/2018 and 30/09/2018

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Police Forces across the country are required by the Home Office to issue details of the number of times officers have used force in the course of their duties.

The requirement is aimed at increasing transparency and providing greater reassurance to the public that force, when used is proportionate, lawful, accountable and necessary in the circumstances.

Total Instances of Force being used by NWP officers in the period:

413

When? - Likely weekdays and times officers have used force for the period.

	00:00 to 00:59	01:00 to 01:59	02:00 to 02:59	03:00 to 03:59	04:00 to 04:59	05:00 to 05:59	06:00 to 06:59	07:00 to 07:59	08:00 to 08:59	09:00 to 09:59	10:00 to 10:59	11:00 to 11:59	12:00 to 12:59	13:00 to 13:59	14:00 to 14:59	15:00 to 15:59	16:00 to 16:59	17:00 to 17:59	18:00 to 18:59	19:00 to 19:59	20:00 to 20:59	21:00 to 21:59	22:00 to 22:59	23:00 to 23:59
Mon	8	0	0	2	1	0	2	2	0	1	4	1	4	0	2	3	1	0	6	0	4	4	3	12
Tue	7	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	3	1	5	2	0	1	4	4	2
Wed	14	0	2	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	3	1	7	3	1	0	2	4	0
Thu	8	7	1	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	1	1	2	1	0	1	4	2	6	1	1	3	5
Fri	7	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	1	0	1	4	3	5	1	1	0	0	7	5	2	8	4
Sat	4	6	3	4	3	3	0	1	1	0	0	3	1	2	1	0	3	1	1	2	0	7	10	4
Sun	10	16	6	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	2	2	0	3	5	10	3	8	6	9

Where? - Typical locations where force has been used during the period.

Local Authority	Use of force	% of total
DENBIGHSHIRE	88	21.31%
GWYNEDD	82	19.85%
WREXHAM	78	18.89%
CONWY	77	18.64%
ANGLESEY	47	11.38%
FLINTSHIRE	41	9.93%
Total	413	

Top 10 Wards	Use of force
Rhyl West	18
Grosvenor	15
Brynyffynnon	14
Prestatyn North	14
Bodelwyddan	13
Pwllheli North	12
Towyn	12
Tudno	10
Maeshyfryd	8
Porthmadog West	8

Typical specified locations	Use of Force
Street/Highway	112
In a NWP custody suite, station or vehicle	46
Dwelling	67
Unknown Location	109

Impact Factors

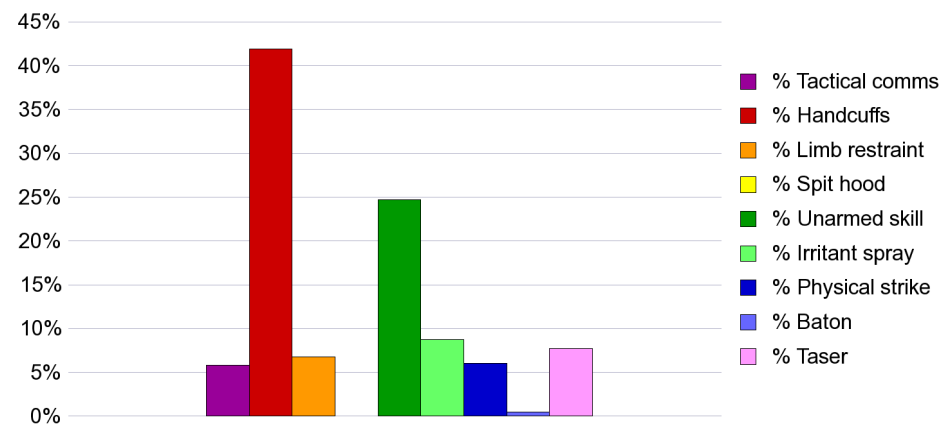
Impact factor	Total	% of all use of force
Alcohol related	196	47.5%
Drugs	73	17.7%
Violent behaviour or abusive language	98	23.7%

Tactic used

Tactic used by officer	Total	% of all use of force
Tactical communications (verbal commands)	24	5.8%
Restraint	350	84.7%
- Handcuffs	173	41.9%
- Limb restraint	28	6.8%
- Spit hood		-
Unarmed skills	102	24.7%
Irritant spray	36	8.7%
Physical Strike	25	6.1%
Baton	2	0.5%
Taser	32	7.7%

A single occurrence can have multiple impact factors, behaviours, and tactics used by officers.

Common tactics used during use of force occurrences



How was irritant spary used?

How was spray used	Total
Deployed	28
Presentation only	3
Unspecified	5
Total	36

How was Taser used?

Taser method	Total
Aimed	5
Drawn	8
Fired	2
Red dot	17
Total	32

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Subject Type

Subject behaviour	Use of force
Active resistance	104
Aggressive resistance	126
Compliant	104
Hist - Verbal resistance/gestures	27
Passive resistance	33
Serious/aggravated resistance	19
Total	413

Subject condition	Total
Subject medical or mental condition	89
Subject injured	26
Subject required treatment	8

Subject age at time of occurrence	Female	Male	Total
2. 11-17 years	5	18	23
3. 18-34 years	46	194	240
4. 35-49 years	18	98	116
5. 50-65 years	6	23	29
6. 65 and over	2	3	5
Total	77	336	413

Age and gender profile of use of force subjects in the period

