

British Transport Police Use of Force Headline Figures for 2020

January to December 2020

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Use of Force Tactic	2020
Tactical communications	7,778
Handcuffing (compliant)	3,763
Handcuffing (non-compliant)	2,520
Unarmed skills	3,492
Ground Restraint	2,431
Dog deployed	58
Dog biting	9
Baton drawn	164
Baton used	54
Irritant spray - CS drawn	108
Irritant spray - CS used	36
Irritant spray - PAVA drawn	204
Irritant spray - PAVA used	100
Limb / Body restraints	732
Spit guard	339
Shield	7
C.E.D.	176
Firearms	7
AEP drawn	23
AEP used	1
Other / improvised	319

Incident Location	2020
Street / Highway	2,426
Public transport	4,006
Retail premises	198
Open ground (e.g. park, car-park, field)	481
Licensed premises	48
Sports or event stadia	10
Hospital / A and E (non mental health setting)	269
Mental health setting	115
Police vehicle with prisoner handling cage	355
Police vehicle without prisoner handling cage	45
Dwelling	153
Police station (excluding custody block)	225
Custody block	977
Ambulance	98
Other	1,058

UoF Incidents by Division	2020
A Division	92
B Division	4084
C Division	3076
D Division	448
E Division	115
Armed Policing	31

Officer main duty during incident	2020
Mobile patrol	2,796
Foot patrol	4,042
Custody	452
CID	17
ARV	50
PSU / public order	138
Surveillance	4
Dog handler duty	91
Off duty	37
Other	438

Perceived ethnicity of subject	2020
White	5,326
Black (or Black British)	1,712
Asian (or Asian British)	464
Chinese	15
Mixed	293
Other	184
Don't know	71

Perceived age of subject	2020
0 - 10	64
11 - 17	1,206
18 - 34	4,376
35 - 49	1,892
50 - 64	479
65 and over	44

Perceived gender of subject	2020
Male	6,689
Female	1,318
Transgender	58

Subject perceived as Physically Disabled	2020
Yes	43
No	8,022

Officer Injury Level	2020
Minor	421
Severe	9

Subject perceived as Mentally Disabled	2020
Yes	506
No	7,559

Subject Injury Level during Incident	2020
Minor	328
Severe	1