

FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTABLE RESPONSE RESISTANCE PROJECT



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Final Report

Use of Reportable Response Resistance (Force) Data Collection

Despite Fresno police officers routine use of verbal commands, and attempts to negotiate peaceful solutions when involved in adversarial situations, there are times when physical force is necessary to make an arrest, prevent an escape, overcome resistance, or defend against injury to officers or citizens. Officers use force as a last resort, with the vast majority of confrontations resolved with very little, if any, force applied. On rare occasions, deadly force must be used; however, the public is often unaware of the vast majority of potentially deadly confrontations that are peacefully resolved without resorting to deadly force.

Closely monitoring our officers assures management oversight and helps to build public trust. In order to accomplish this, we require a review of each reportable use of force by field supervisors. Data is collected by the supervisors, forwarded through the department chain of command and reviewed at each level of supervision, to include Deputy Chiefs of Police.

After staff review is complete, the Policy and Procedure Unit reviews police reports and other force data for comparative analysis and composite reporting. This information is used to determine effectiveness and necessity of the force used, reliability of equipment, training needs, policy modifications, etc.

The Department defines reportable force as any force when:

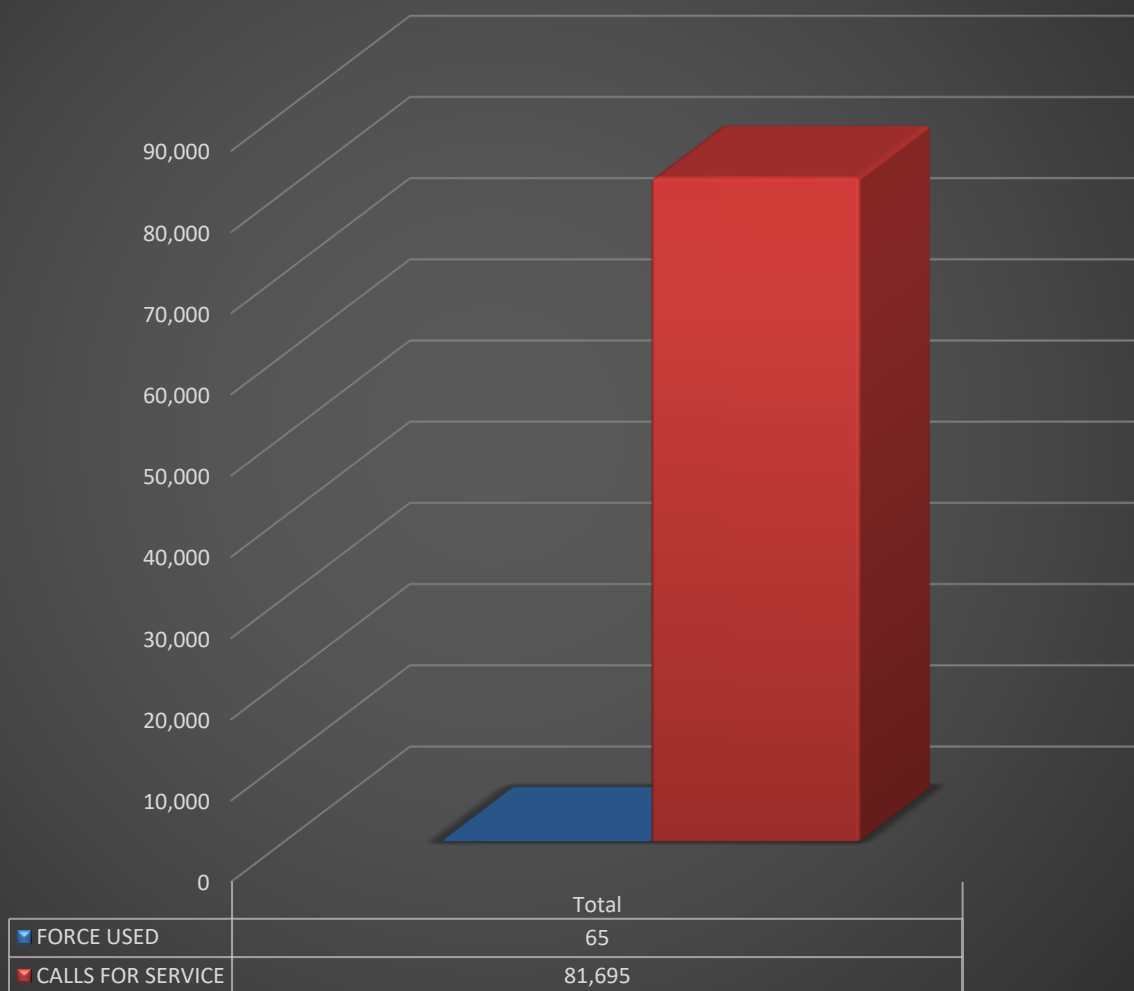
1. Officers (including canines) use force and a person is injured, has expressed a complaint of pain or has been rendered unconscious; or,
2. Officers strike a person with a body part (e.g., fist, foot, elbow, etc.) or any object (e.g., flashlight, clipboard, etc.); or,
3. Officers use (not merely display) a Department issued weapon (e.g., baton, chemical agents, Taser, less lethal, shotgun, firearm, etc.) against another.

Fresno police officers applied force in 65 incidents while responding to 81,695 calls for service (CFS). This equates to officers applying force in 0.080% of all calls for service for this reporting period.

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Calls For Service (CFS) vs. Reportable Response Resistance (Force) Incidents



CFS does not include events handled telephonically.
0.080% of all CFS resulted in the application of reportable force.

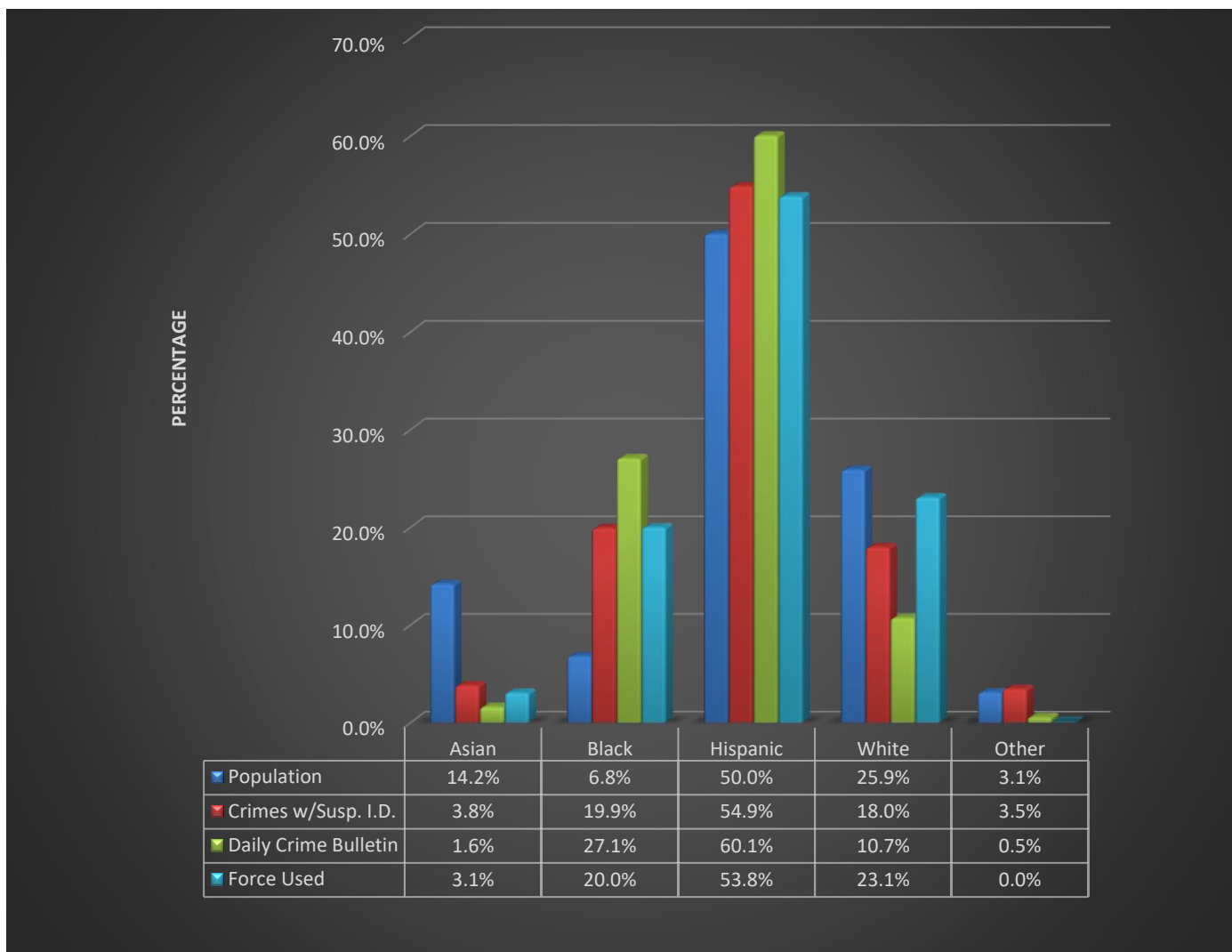
Suspect Demographics

	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Other
City of Fresno Pop. (542,107)*	76,979	36,863	271,054	140,406	16,805
Percentage	14.2%	6.8%	50.0%	25.9%	3.1%
Crimes with Suspect's Race/Age Identified (5,122)	195	1,020	2,810	920	177
Percentage	3.8%	19.9%	54.9%	18.0%	3.5%
Daily Crime Bulletin Listings (373)**	6	101	224	40	2
Percentage	1.6%	27.1%	60.1%	10.7%	0.5%
Force Applications (65)***	2	13	35	15	0
Percentage	3.1%	20.0%	53.8%	23.1%	0.0%

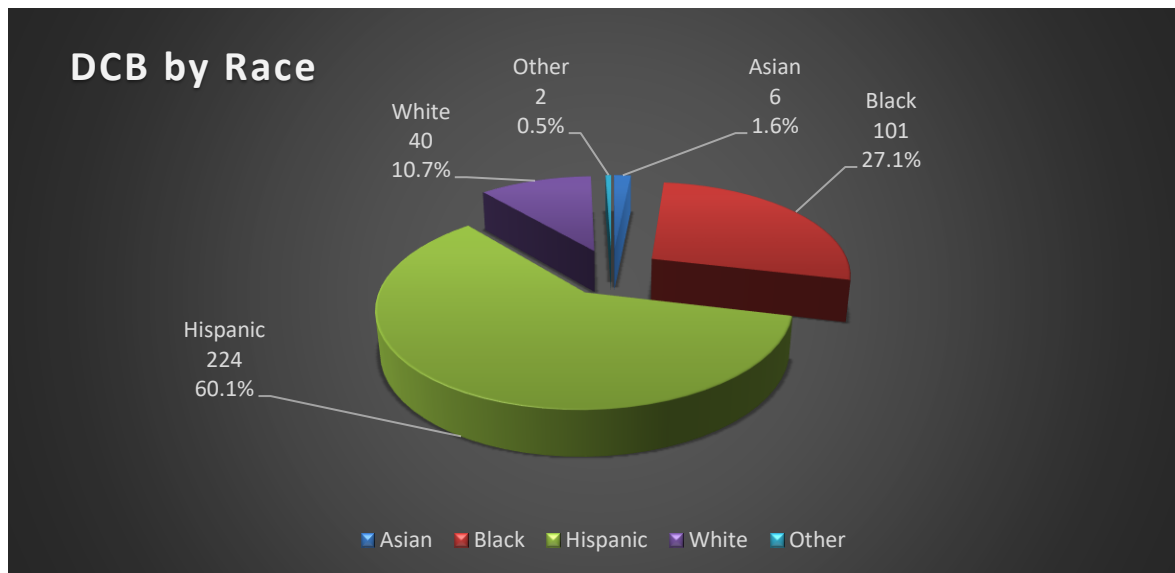
* 2020 Census

** 0 persons or 0.0% were listed as 'unknown' (see page 3 for definition of Daily Crime Bulletin - DCB)

*** Of the 65 reportable force cases, 0 had no age or race data available



**DAILY CRIME BULLETIN (WANTED PERSONS) BY RACE
LISTINGS – 373**

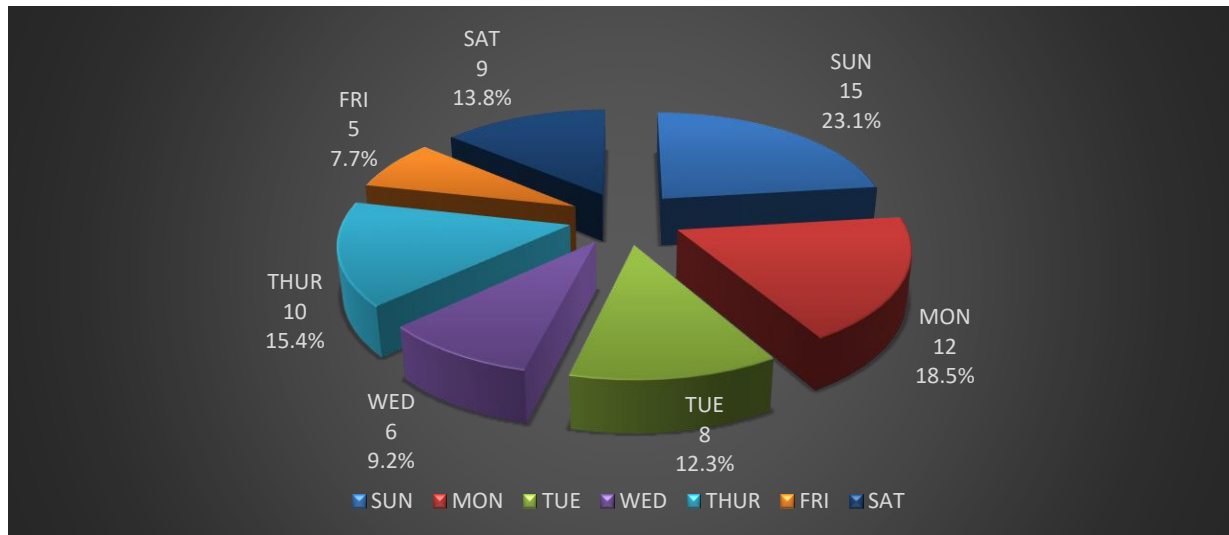


Order by Race:	Hispanic	-	60.1%
	Black	-	27.1%
	White	-	10.7%
	Asian	-	1.6%
	Other	-	0.5%

The Daily Crime Bulletin (DCB) is a restricted, law enforcement use only document, issued department wide to all sworn personnel and twelve other local/state agencies to assist in locating/arresting suspects and wanted persons. The DCB is issued seven days a week and typically contains the following information:

- 1) Felonies with known, at-large, suspects
- 2) Wanted parolees
- 3) Officer safety information (vehicle occupants in possession of firearms, possible armed subjects, etc.)

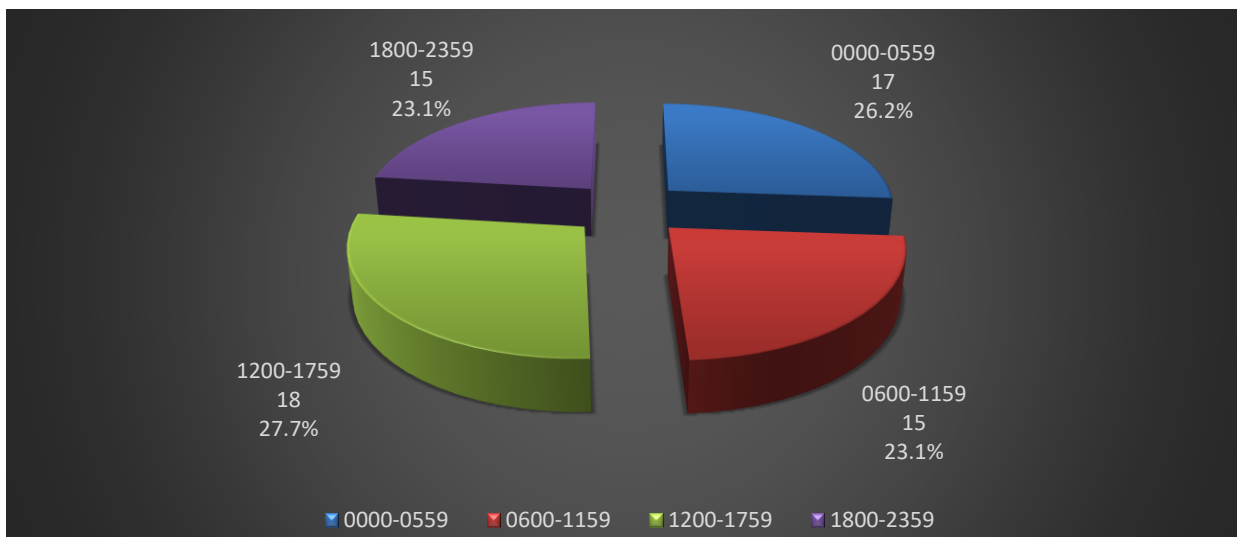
FORCE INCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK, CITY-WIDE



Order by Day of the Week:

Friday	-	20.0%
Saturday	-	20.0%
Sunday	-	17.1%
Monday	-	14.3%
Wednesday	-	14.3%
Tuesday	-	11.4%
Thursday	-	2.9%

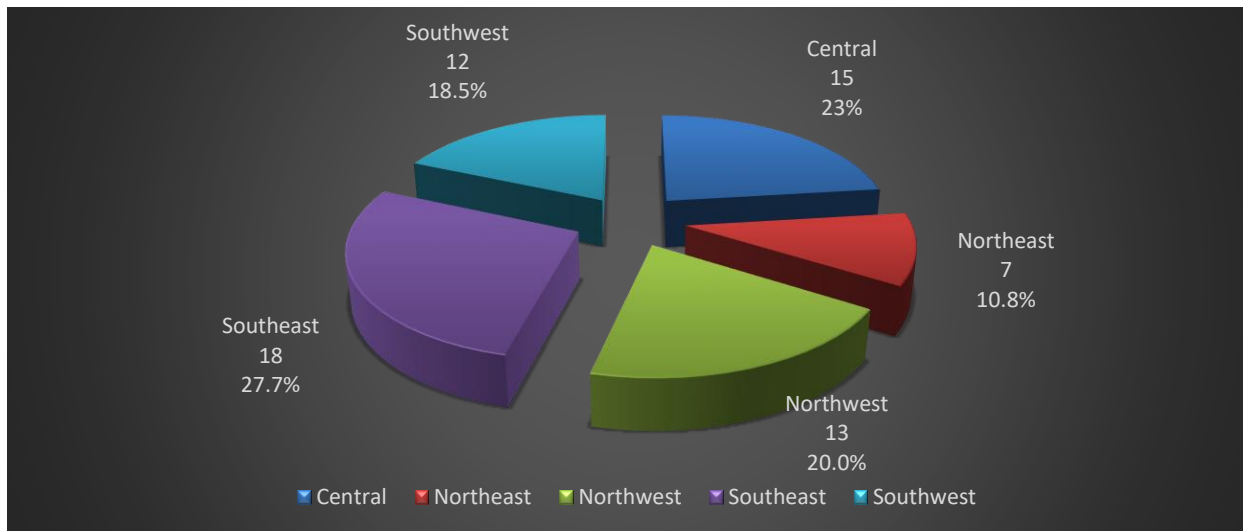
FORCE INCIDENTS BY HOUR OF DAY, CITY-WIDE



Order by Hours of the Day:

1800 to 2359 hrs	-	42.9%
0000 to 0559 hrs	-	20.0%
1200 to 1759 hrs	-	20.0%
0600 to 1159 hrs	-	17.1%

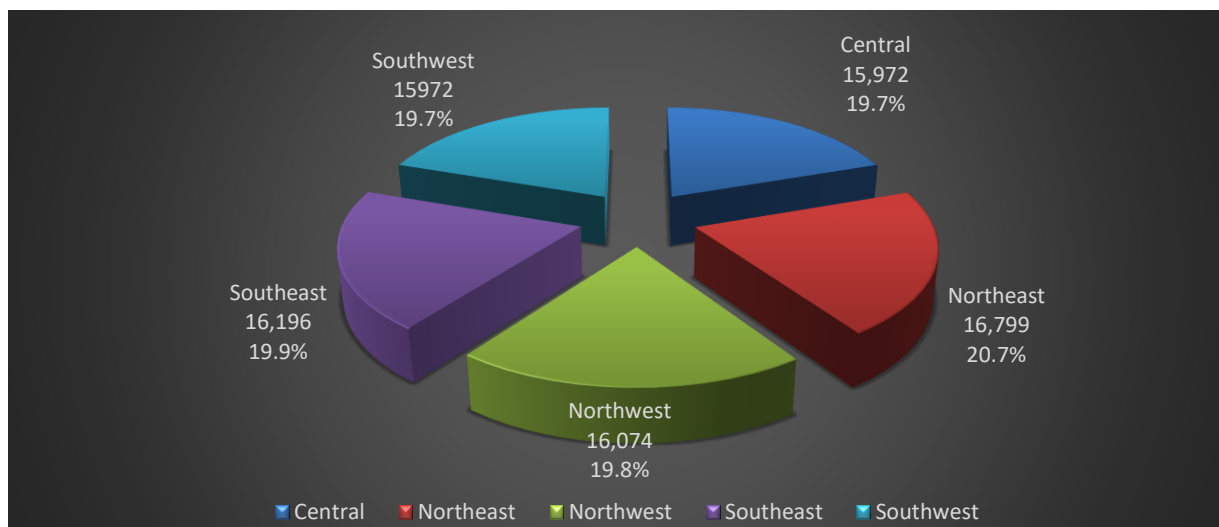
FORCE INCIDENTS BY POLICING DISTRICT*



Of the 65 force incidents, 0 were not assigned to a specific district.

Order by District:	District	Count	Percentage
	Southeast	-	27.7%
	Central	-	23.0%
	Northwest	-	20.0%
	Southwest	-	18.5%
	Northeast	-	10.8%

ALL CALLS FOR SERVICE (CFS) BY POLICING DISTRICT*



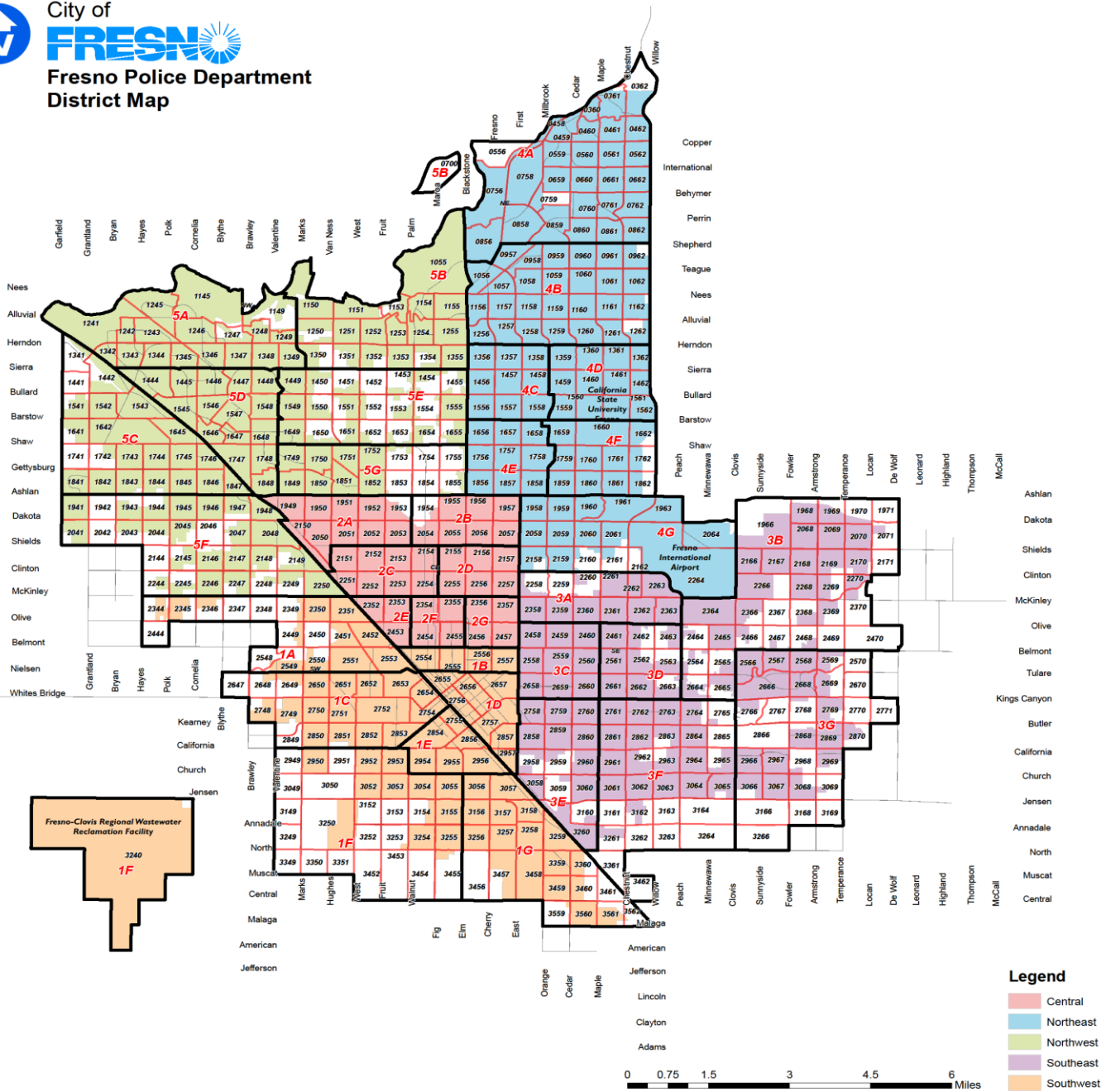
Of the 81,695 CFS, 682 were not assigned to a specific district.

Order by District:	District	Count	Percentage
	Northeast	-	20.7%
	Southeast	-	19.9%
	Northwest	-	19.8%
	Southwest	-	19.7%
	Central	-	19.7%

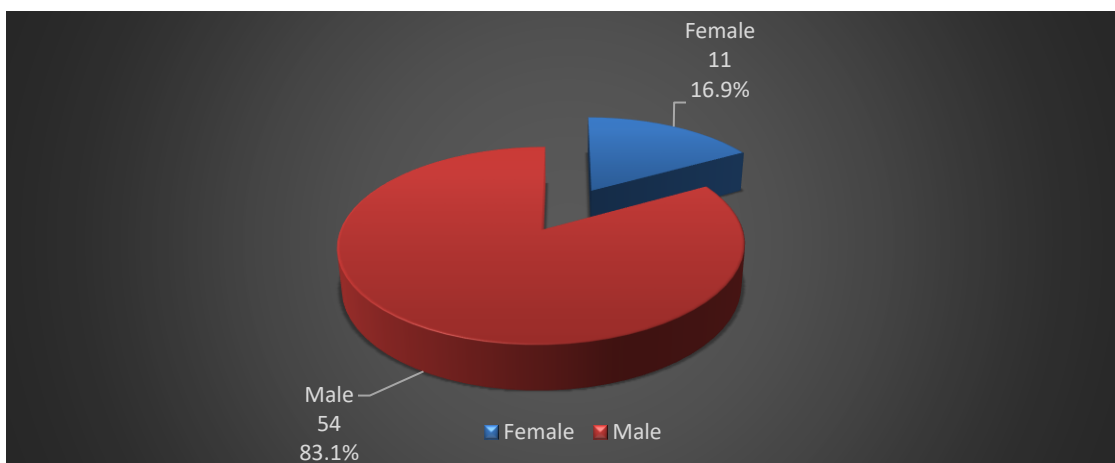
* See page 6 for policing district boundaries.



**City of
FRESNO**
Fresno Police Department
District Map



FORCE INCIDENTS BY GENDER OF SUSPECTS



Of the 65 force incidents, 0 had no gender data available.

REPORTED CRIMES BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS

Age Group	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Other	TOTAL
12-17	11	45	155	20	4	235
18-23	30	182	446	66	29	753
24-29	36	196	609	140	38	1,019
30-35	40	194	550	201	37	1,022
36-41	37	141	450	164	35	827
42-47	26	121	298	143	9	597
48-53	11	58	148	75	16	308
54-59	1	39	90	53	3	186
60-65	2	26	45	41	3	117
66 and Over	1	18	19	17	3	58
Total	195	1,020	2,810	920	177	5,122

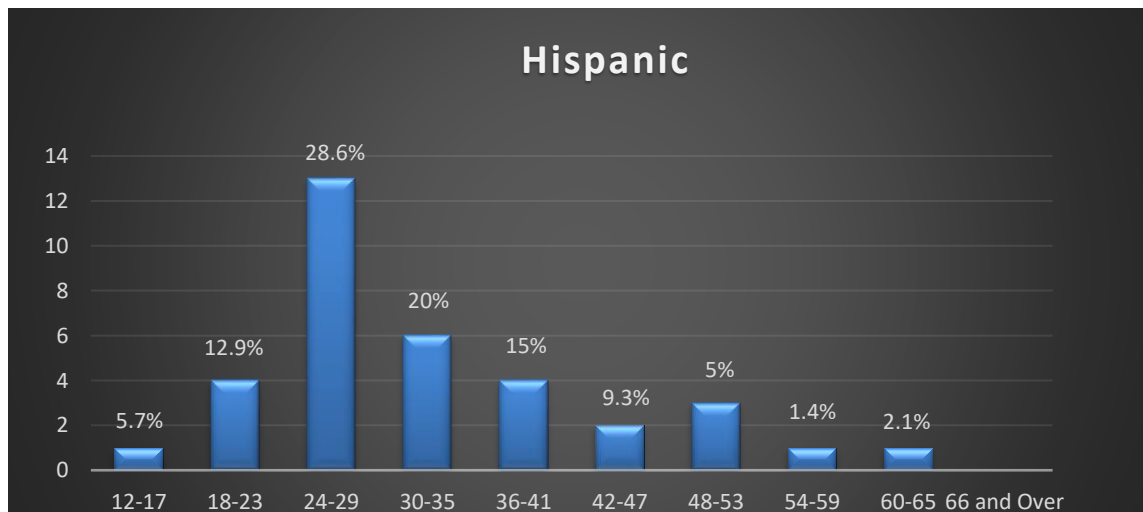
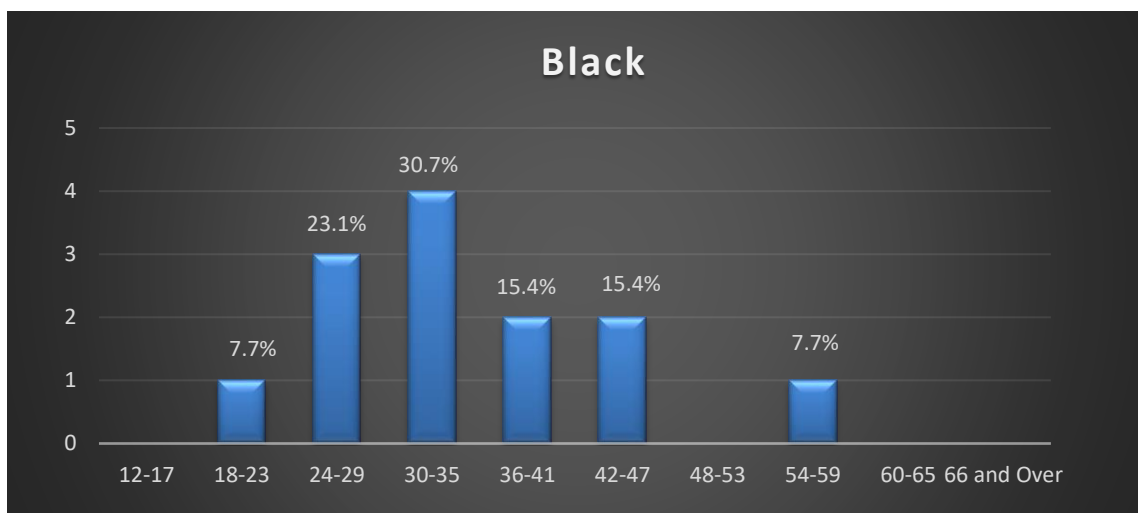
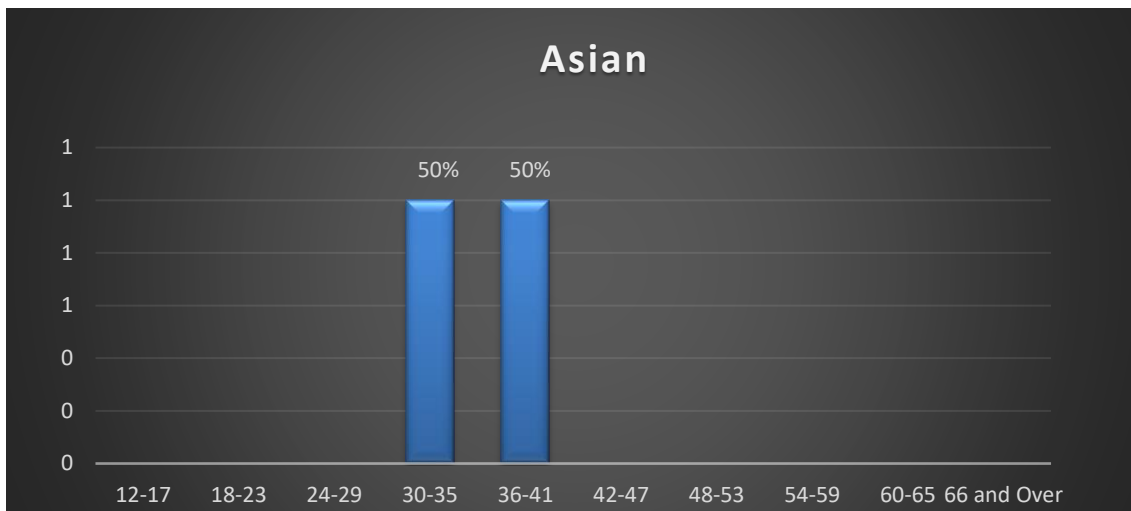
Of the 18,507 reported crime suspects, 5,122 had both age and race data.

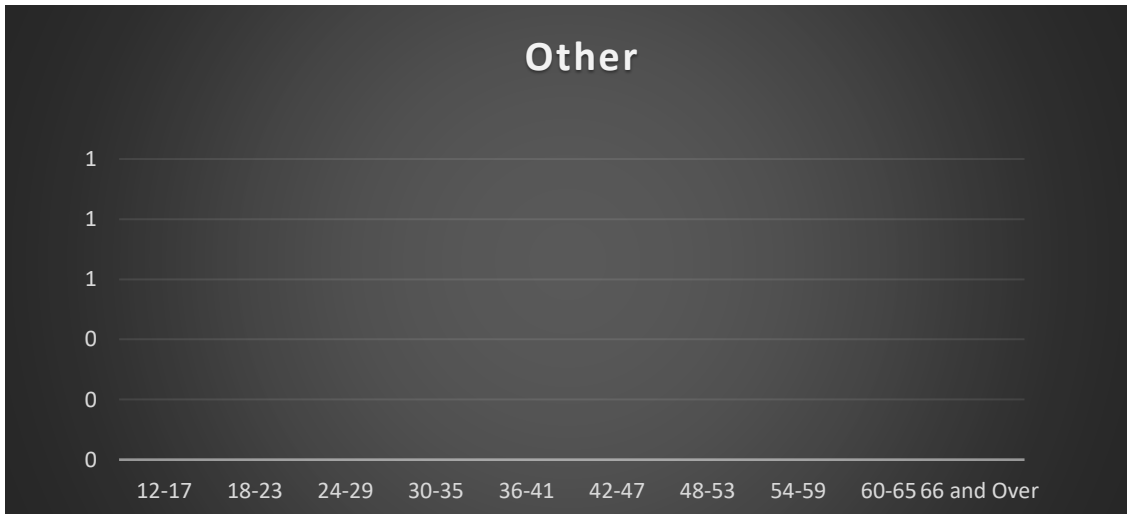
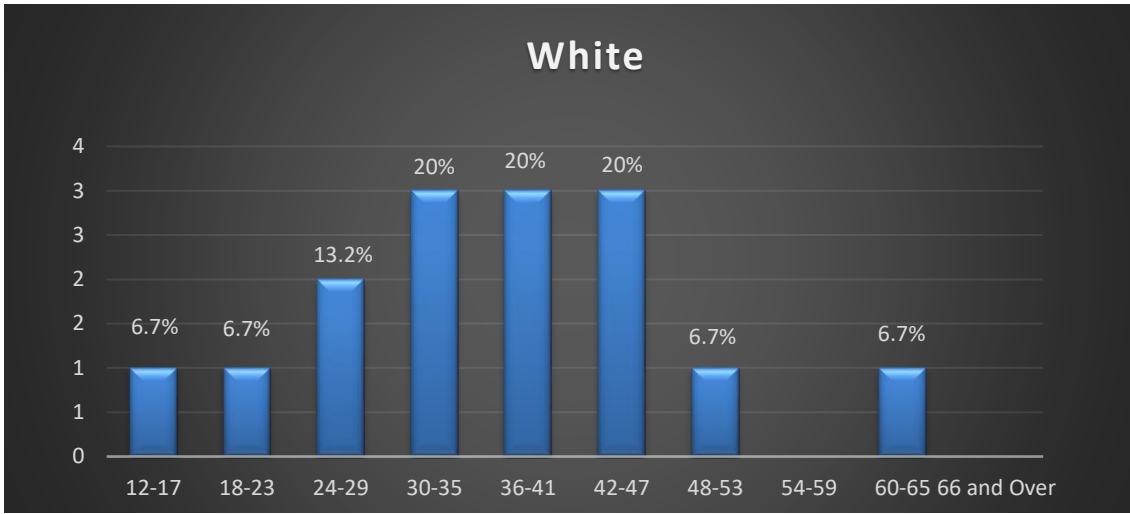
REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS

Age Group	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Other	TOTAL
12-17			1	1		2
18-23		1	4	1		6
24-29		3	13	2		18
30-35	1	4	6	3		14
36-41	1	2	4	3		10
42-47		2	2	3		7
48-53			3	1		4
54-59		1	1			2
60-65			1	1		2
66 and Over						0
Total	2	13	35	15	0	65

Of the 65 force incidents, 65 had both age and race data.

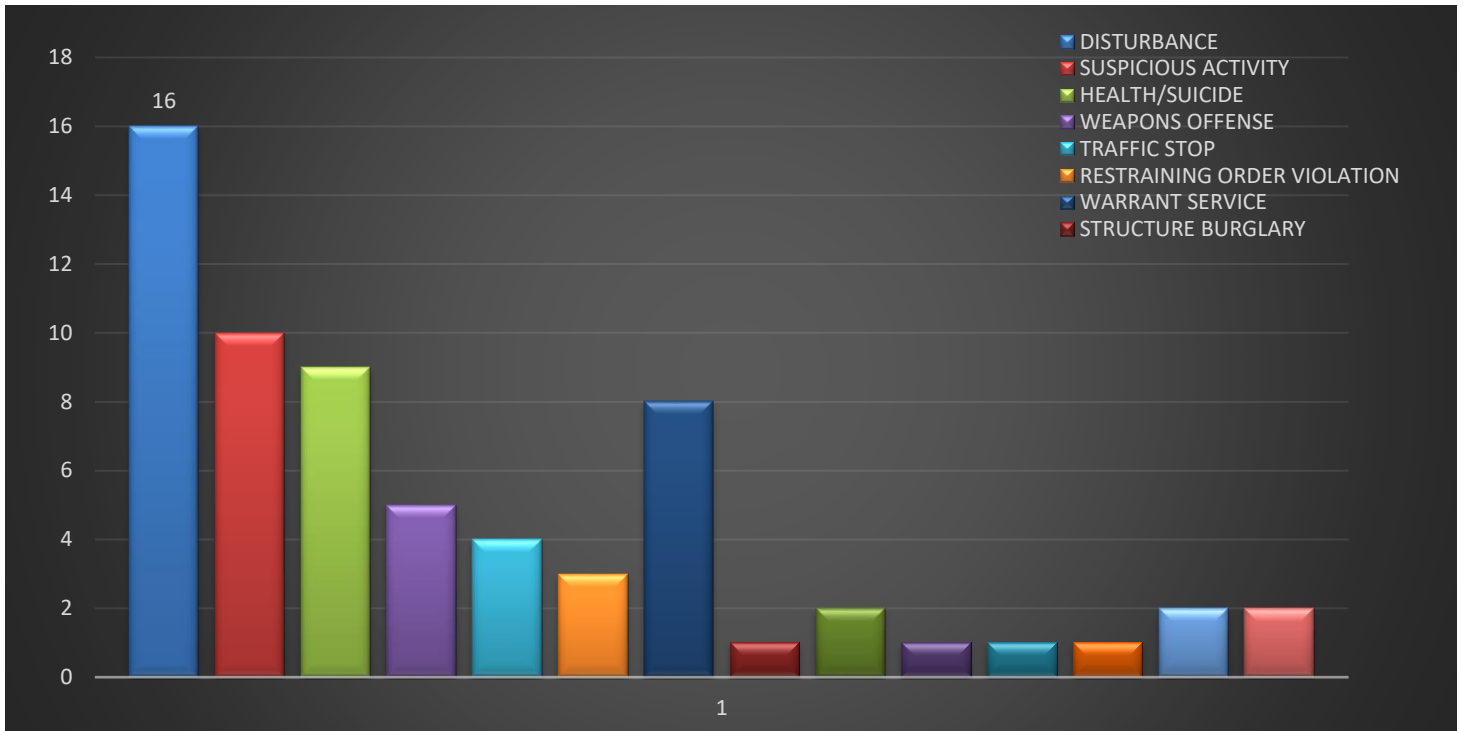
REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS





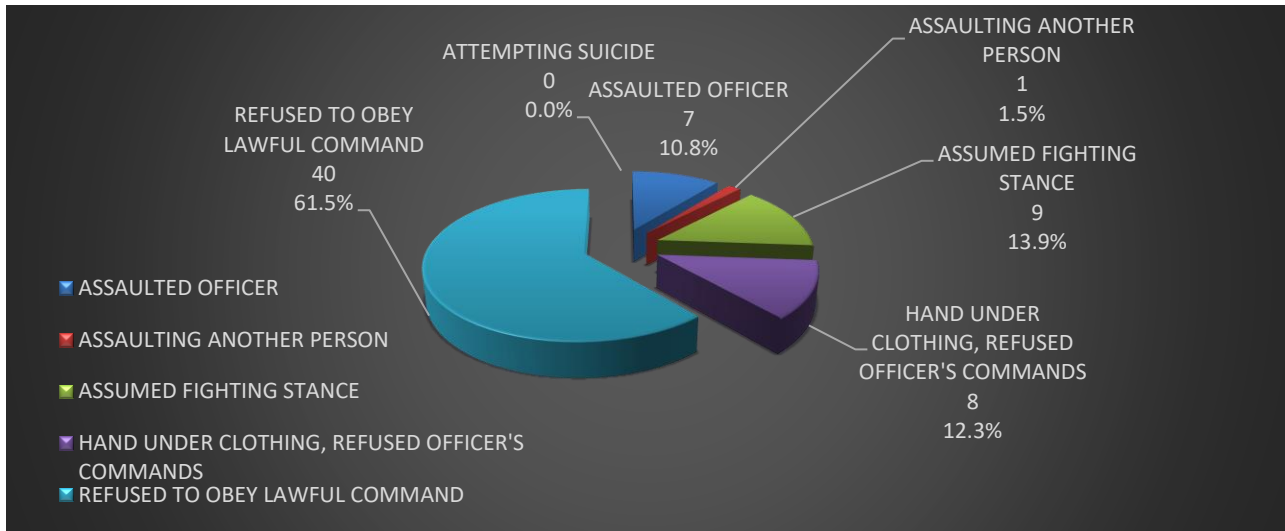
"Other" refers to persons whose race is not defined as Asian, Black, Hispanic or White, i.e. persons from the Pacific Islands or American Indian.

TYPE OF CFS RESULTING IN REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS



Order by Force Incident Clearance Code:	Force Incidents:	CFS Total:
DISTURBANCE	- 16	14993
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	- 10	10785
HEALTH/SUICIDE	- 9	5930
WEAPONS OFFENSE	- 5	1716
TRAFFIC STOP	- 4	9128
RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION	- 3	670
WARRANT SERVICE	- 8	952
STRUCTURE BURGLARY	- 1	4627
VEHICLE THEFT	- 2	1704
VANDALISM	- 1	920
CONTRACT POLICING	- 1	695
ROBBERY	- 1	299
UNCLASSIFIED CRIMINAL ACT	- 2	250
THEFT	- 2	3284
TOTAL	65	55953

SUSPECT'S ACTIONS NECESSITATING THE USE OF FORCE



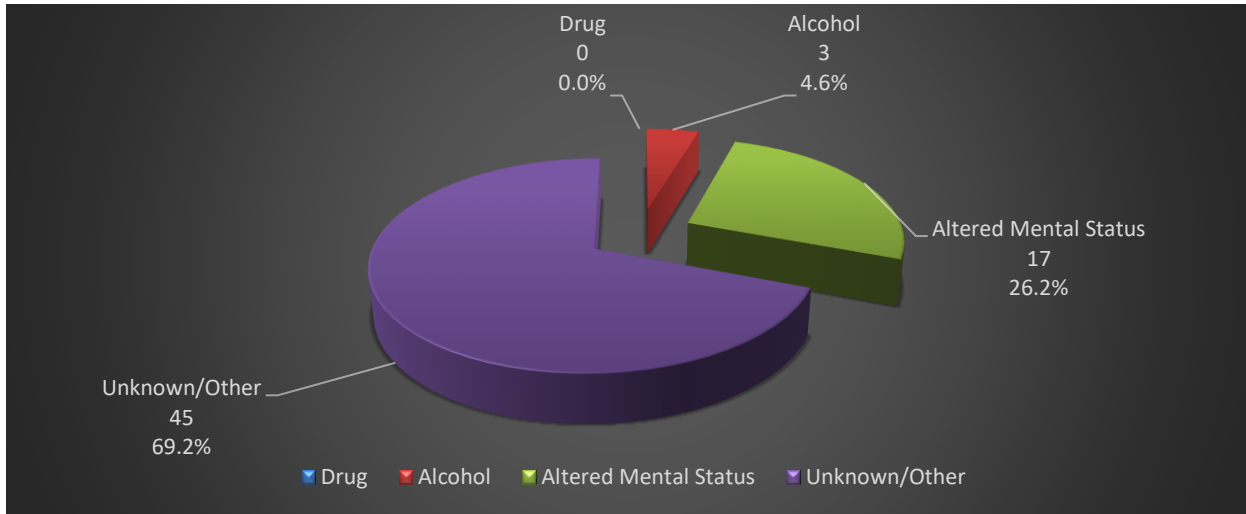
Order by Action:

REFUSED TO OBEY LAWFUL COMMAND	-	61.5%
ASSUMED FIGHTING STANCE	-	13.9%
HAND UNDER CLOTHING, REFUSED OFFICER'S COMMANDS	-	12.3%
ASSAULTED OFFICER	-	10.8%
ASSAULTING ANOTHER PERSON	-	1.5%
ATTEMPTING SUICIDE	-	0.0%

REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY TYPE OF CFS AND SUSPECT'S ACTION

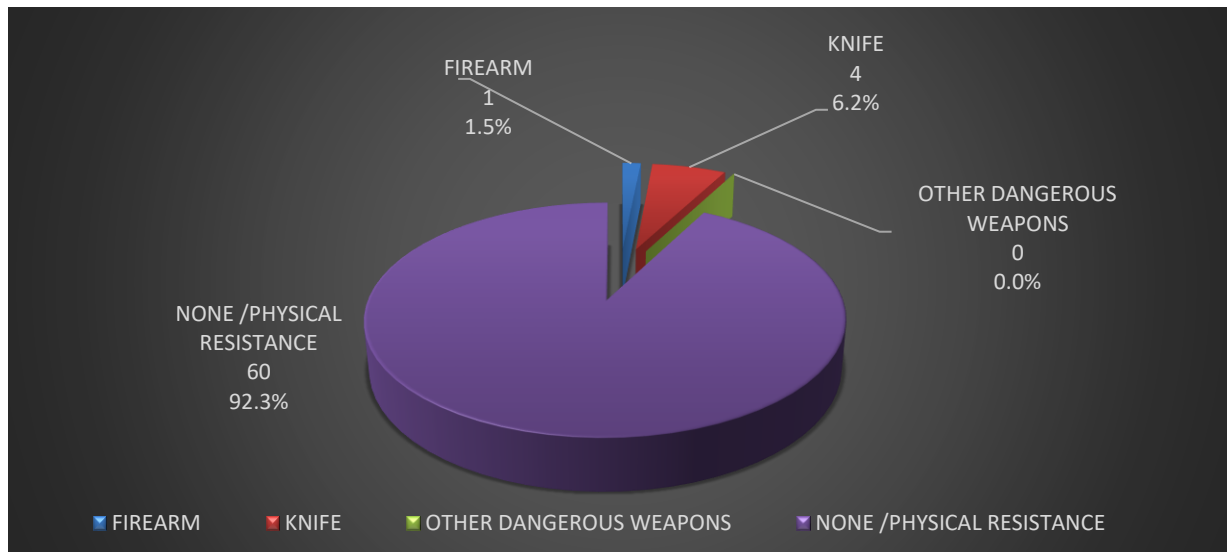
TYPE OF CFS	ASSAULTED OFFICER	ASSAULTING ANOTHER PERSON	ASSUMED FIGHTING STANCE	ATTEMPTING SUICIDE	HAND UNDER CLOTHING, REFUSED OFFICER'S COMMANDS	REFUSED TO OBEY LAWFUL COMMAND
ARSON						
ASSAULT						
ASSIST CITIZEN OR AGENCY						
CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT						
PATROL/BUILDING CHECK						
CONTRACT POLICING	1					
DISTURBANCE	4		2		2	8
FRAUD/FORGERY						
HEALTH/SUICIDE	2	1			1	5
MISSING PERSON						
RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION			1			2
ROBBERY						1
STRUCTURE BURGLARY						1
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY			1		2	7
TELEPHONIC OFFENSE						
THEFT						2
TRAFFIC COLLISION						
TRAFFIC STOP					1	3
UNCLASSIFIED CRIME ACT						2
VANDALISM			1			
VEHICLE THEFT						2
WARRANT SERVICE			1		1	6
WEAPONS OFFENSE			3		1	1
Total	7	1	9	0	8	40

SUSPECT'S CONDITION AT TIME REPORTABLE FORCE APLIED



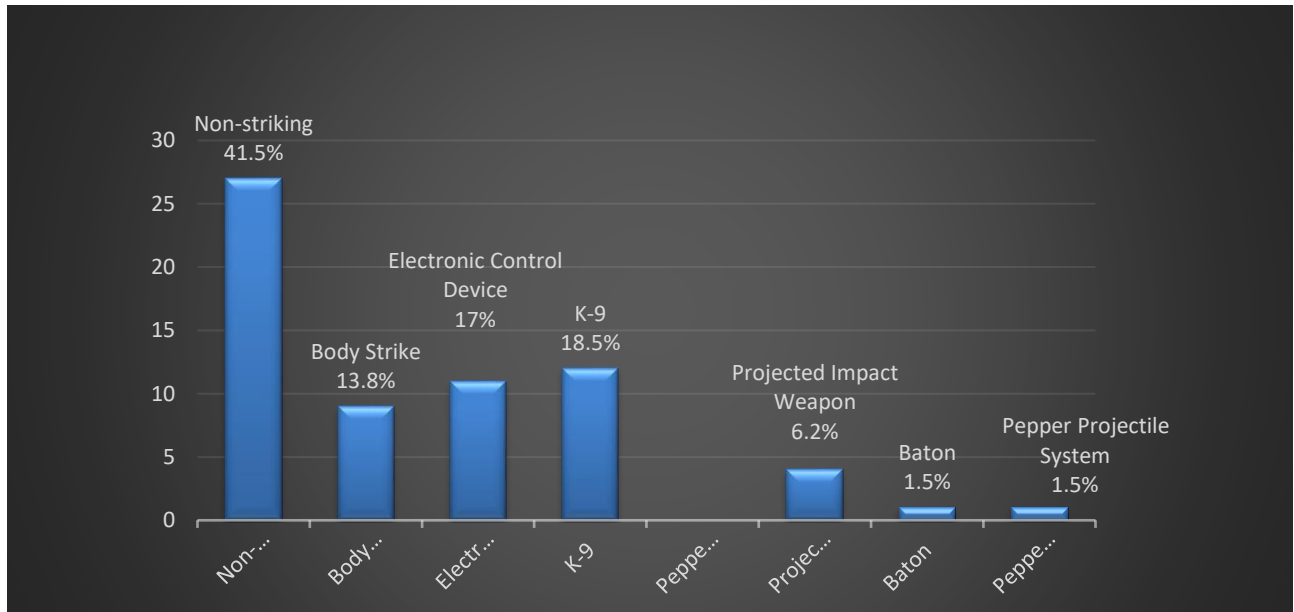
Some suspects had more than one condition.

SUSPECT WEAPONS WITH REPORTABLE FORCE APLIED



Order by Weapon:	Weapon	Count	Percentage
	NONE	-	92.3%
	KNIFE	-	6.2%
	FIREARM	-	1.5%
	OTHER	-	0.0%

REPORTABLE FORCE USED BY OFFICERS



Some incidents require multiple applications of force to take a suspect into custody or stop an unlawful attack.

Order by Force:

Non-striking	-	41.5%
Body Strike	-	13.8%
Electronic Control Device	-	17.0%
K-9	-	18.5%
Pepper Spray	-	0.0%
Projected Impact Weapon	-	6.2%
Baton	-	1.5%
Pepper Projectile System	-	1.5%

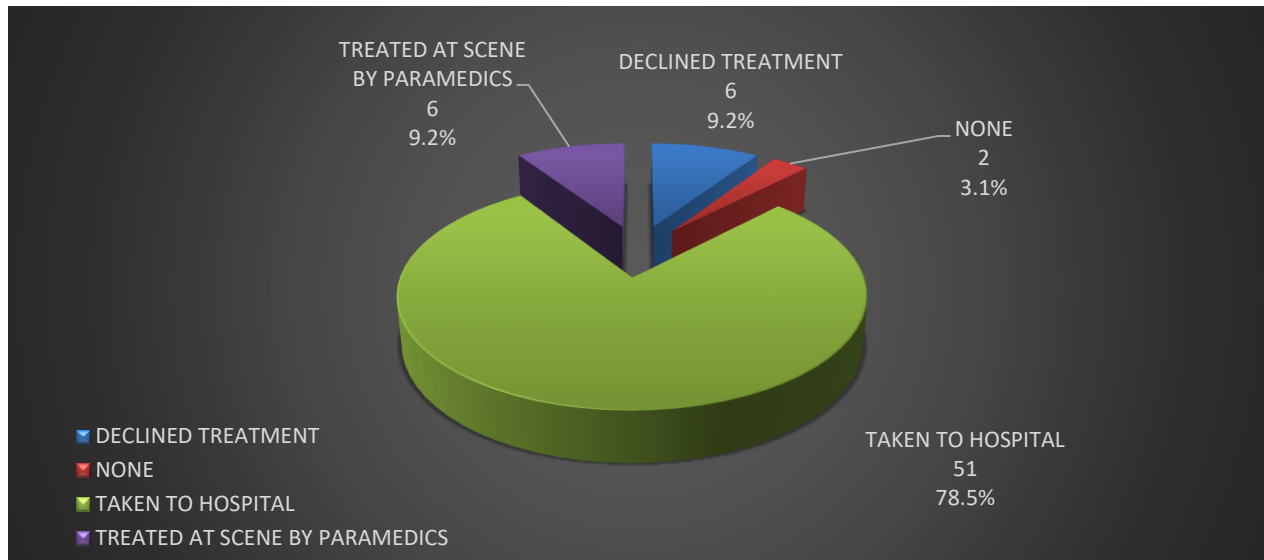
Note: Electronic Control Device is also referred to as a Taser.

Projected Impact Weapon is also referred to as a Less Lethal Shotgun or bean bag gun.

OFFICER SAFETY ISSUES, WEAPON RETENTION

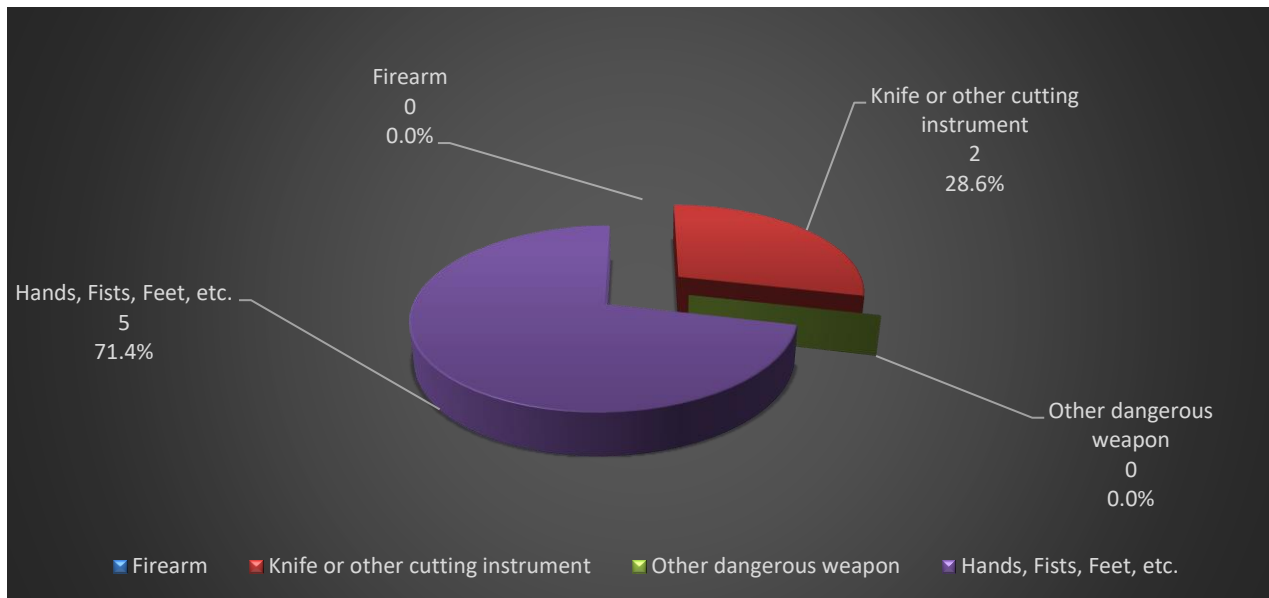
* No incidents occurred this quarter whereby a suspect attempted to remove, or removed, an officer's weapon.

SUSPECT MEDICAL REVIEW AFTER REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED



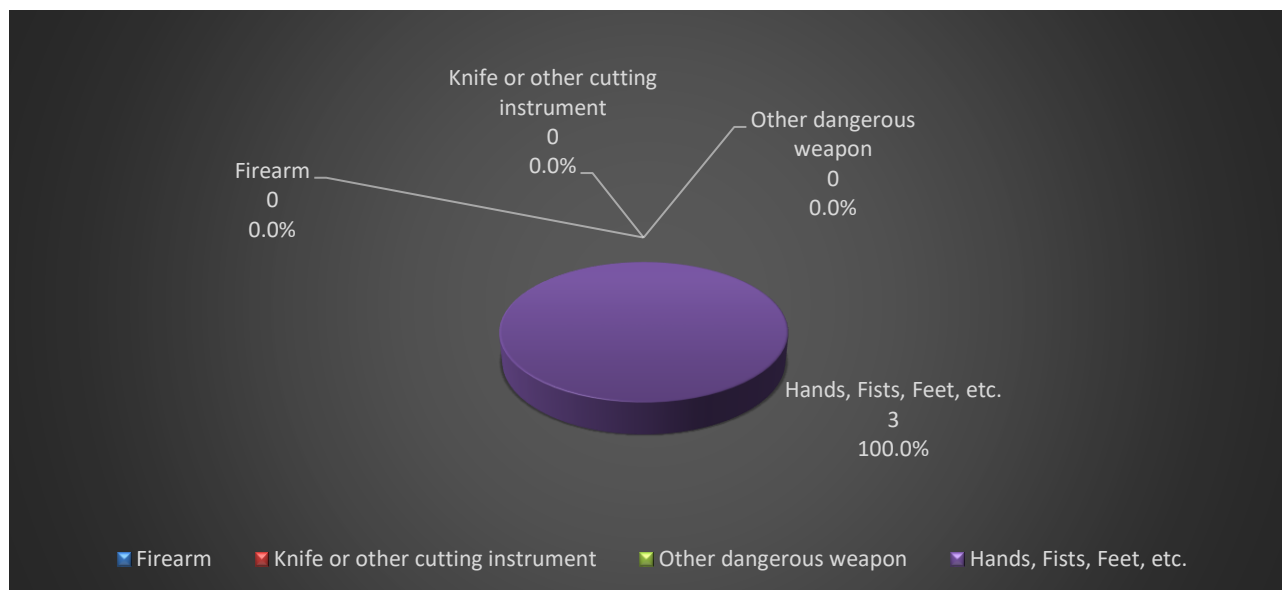
Not all suspects who received medical review were injured. Per Department policy, any person subjected to a chemical agent/mace, electronic control device (Taser), less lethal impact projectile, or any force which causes injury or renders temporary disability to an arrestable subject, is automatically provided medical care by on-scene medical personnel or at a hospital.

OFFICERS ASSAULTED *



7 officers were assaulted.

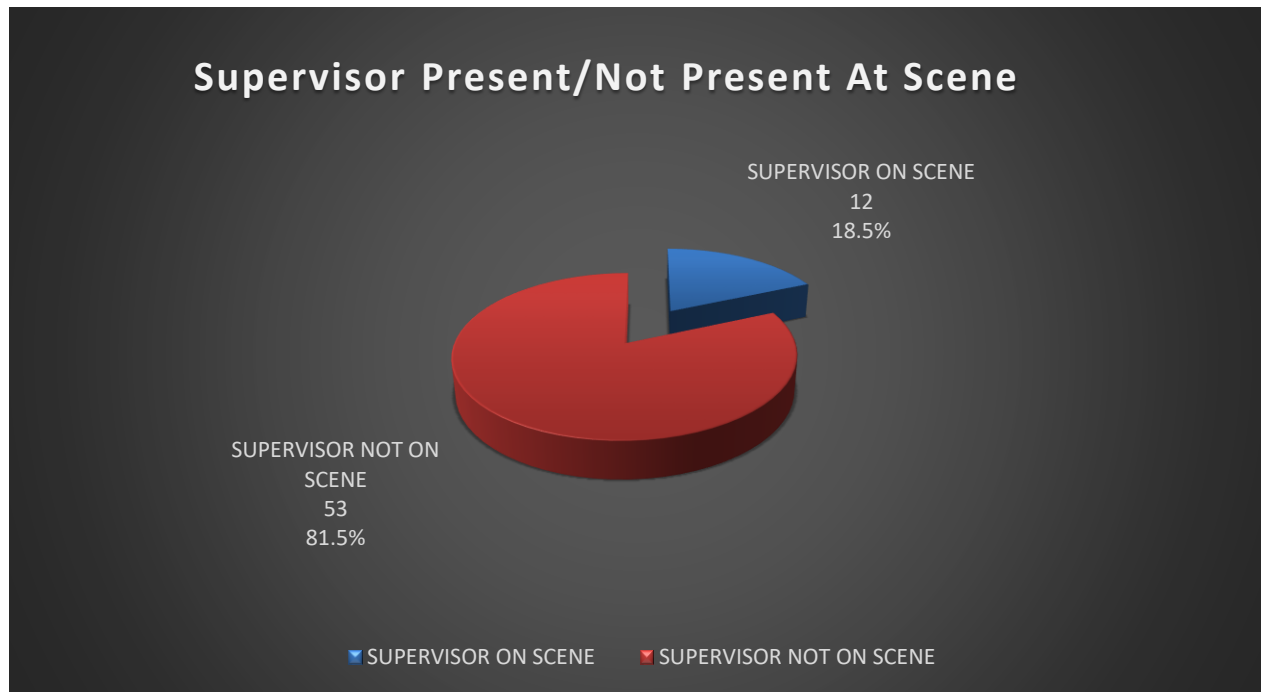
OFFICERS INJURED *



3 officers were injured requiring immediate medical treatment.

Not all incidents, where an officer was injured, involved a use of reportable force, i.e. the suspect gives up after injuring an officer.

SUPERVISOR ON SCENE WHEN REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED



A supervisor may be enroute to assist an officer on a call; however, the officer may be required to use reportable force prior to the supervisor's arrival. In these circumstances, the supervisor would be considered "not on scene."