

FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL USE OF FORCE REORT



2024 Year End Report

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Final Report

Use of 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 primarily use force only as a last resort during most confrontations; 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.
2. Officers strike a person with a body part (e.g., fist, foot, elbow, etc.) or any object (e.g., flashlight, clipboard, etc.).
3. Officers use (not merely display) a Department issued weapon (e.g., baton, chemical agents, Taser, less lethal, shotgun, firearm, etc.) against another.
4. Officers use any technique or transport method where direct and continuous pressure is applied to the neck, torso, or back of a person.

Fresno police officers applied force in 288 incidents while responding to 373,838 calls for service (CFS). This equates to officers applying force 0.077 % on all calls for service for this reporting period.

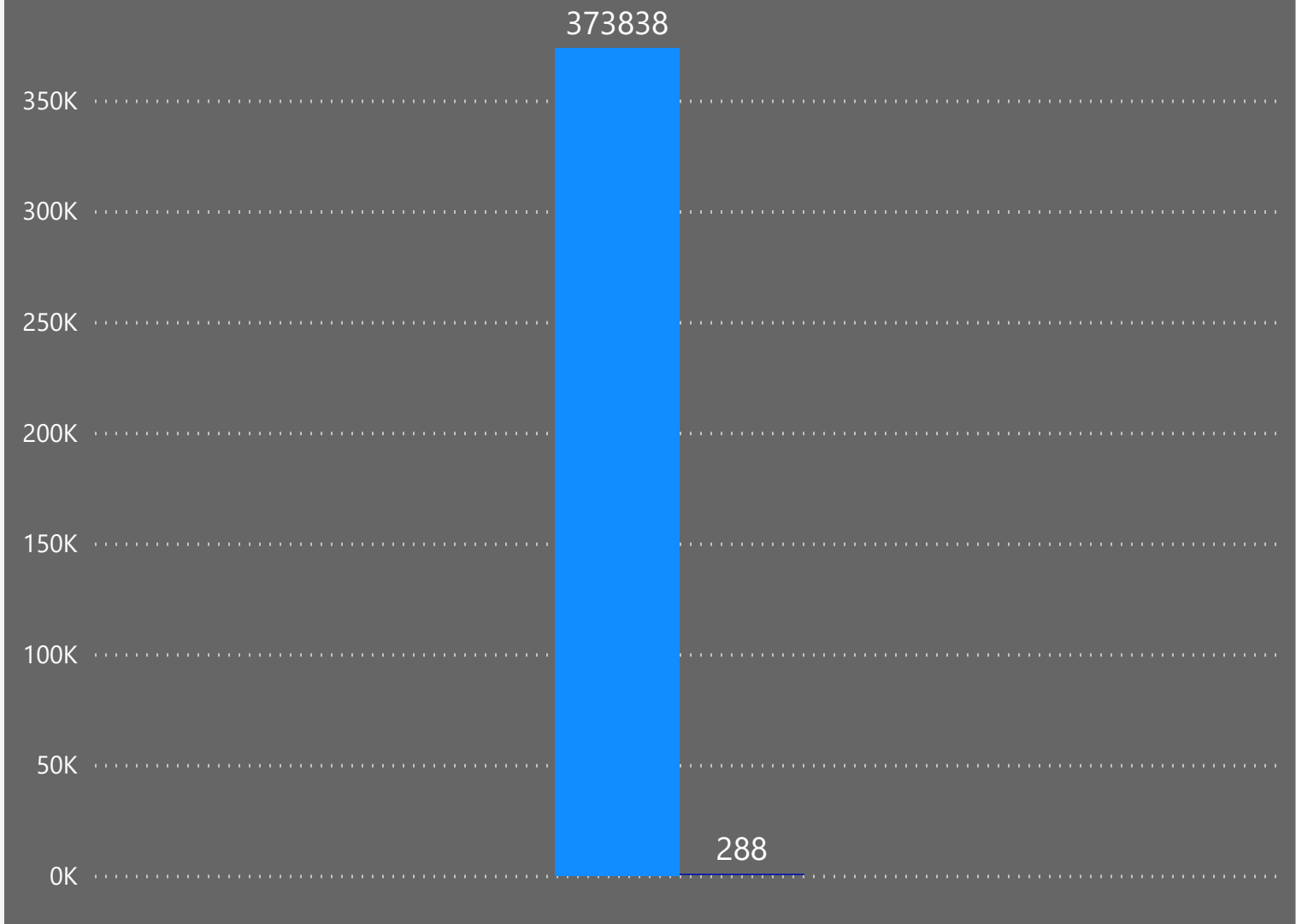
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Calls For Service (CFS) vs Use of Force Incidents

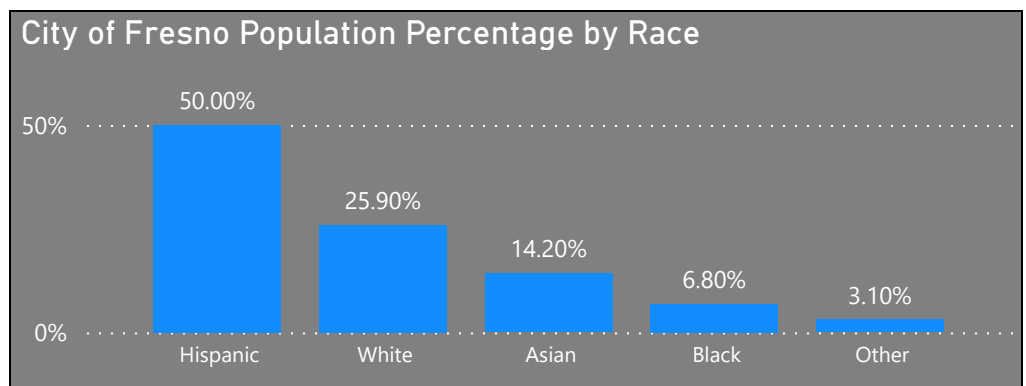


CFS does not include events handled telephonically.

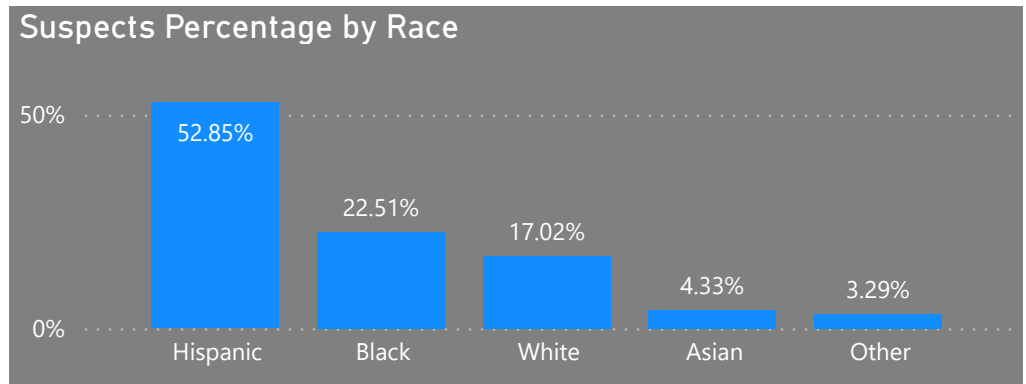
0.077 % of all CFS resulted in the application of reportable force.

Suspect Demographics

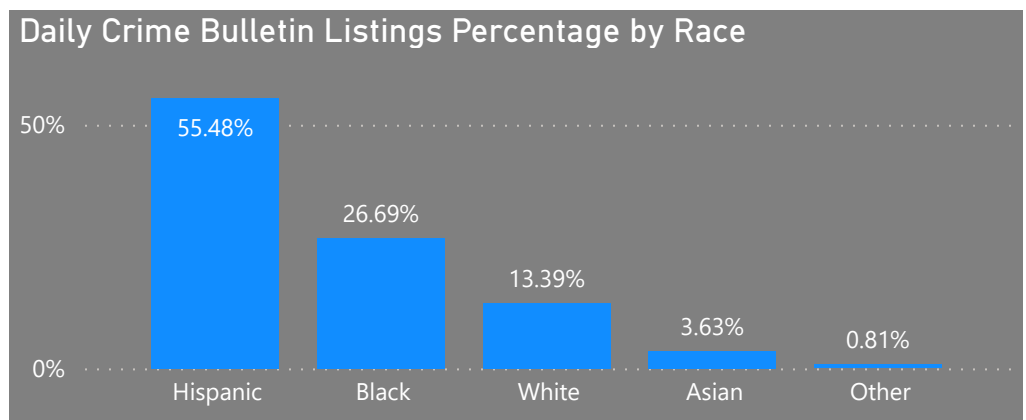
Race	Population
Asian	76979
Black	36863
Hispanic	271054
Other	16805
White	140406
Total	542107



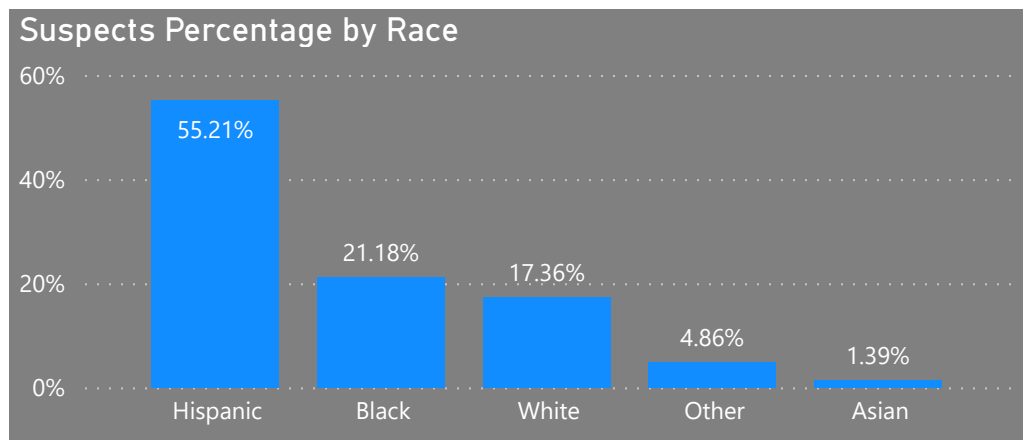
Race	Count of Suspects
Asian	1014
Black	5271
Hispanic	12378
Other	770
White	3987
Total	23420



Race	Count of DCB Listings
Asian	45
Black	331
Hispanic	688
Other	10
White	166
Total	1240



Race	Count of UoF
Asian	4
Black	61
Hispanic	159
Other	14
White	50
Total	288



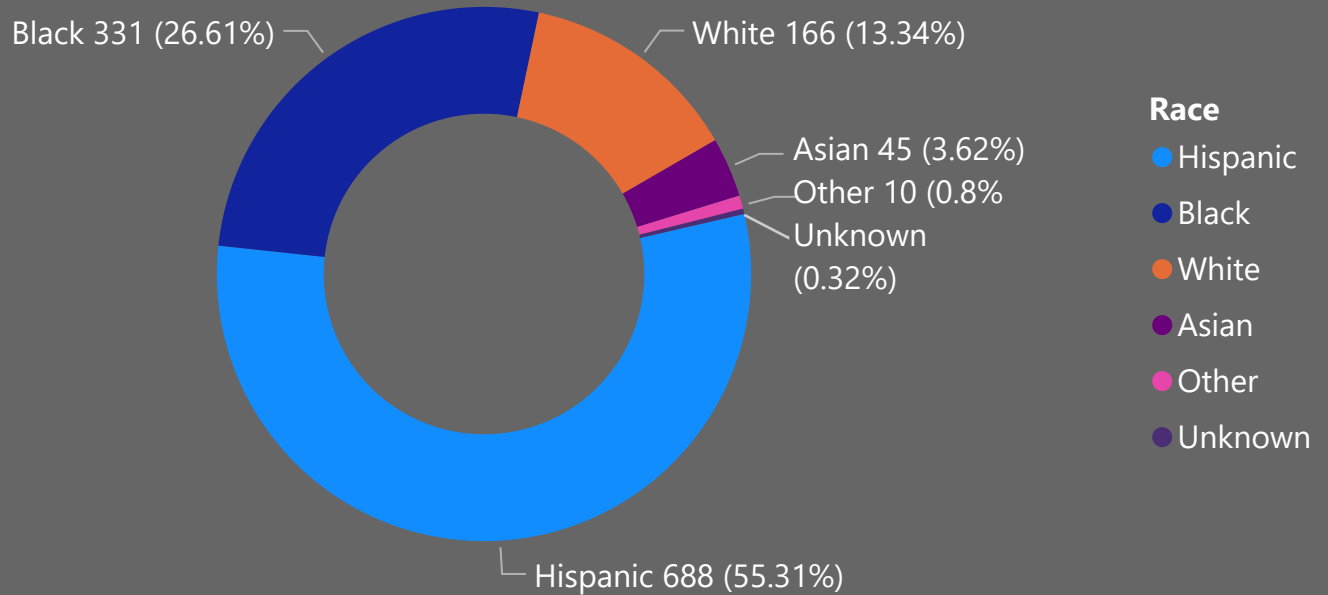
* 2020 Census

** 4 persons or 0.3 % were listed as 'unknown'(see page 3 for definition of Daily Crime Bulletin - DCB)

*** Of the 288 reportable force cases, 0 had no age or race data available

DAILY CRIME BULLETIN (WANTED PERSONS) BY RACE LISTINGS - 1244

DCB by Race

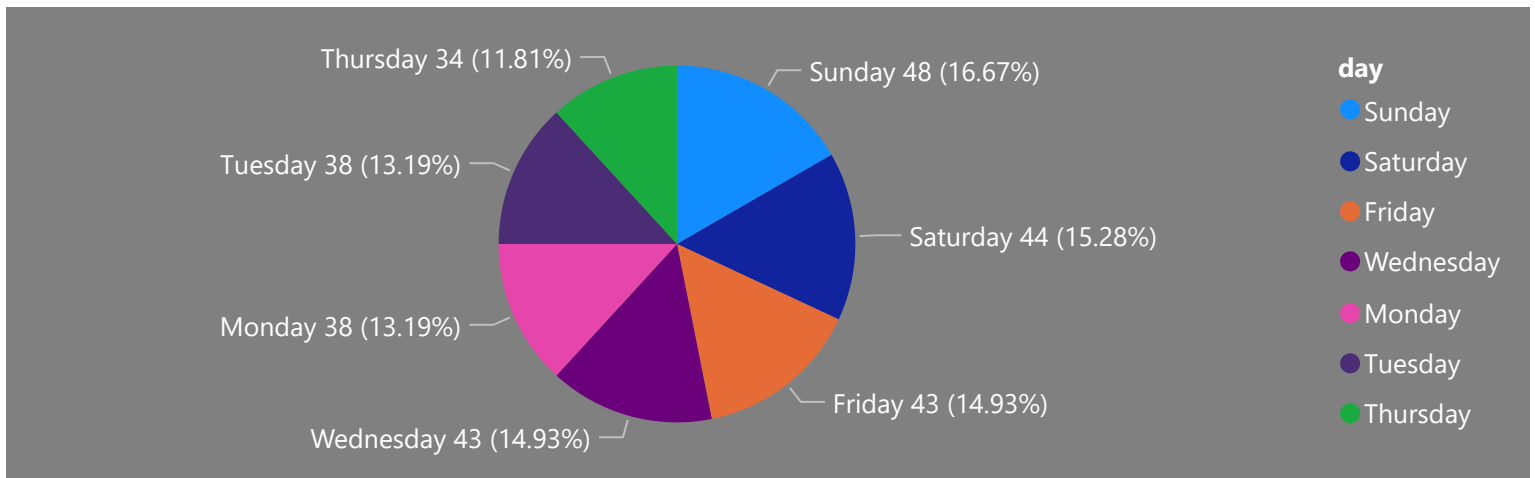


Race	Percentage
Hispanic	55.31%
Black	26.61%
White	13.34%
Asian	3.62%
Other	0.80%
Unknown	0.32%

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:

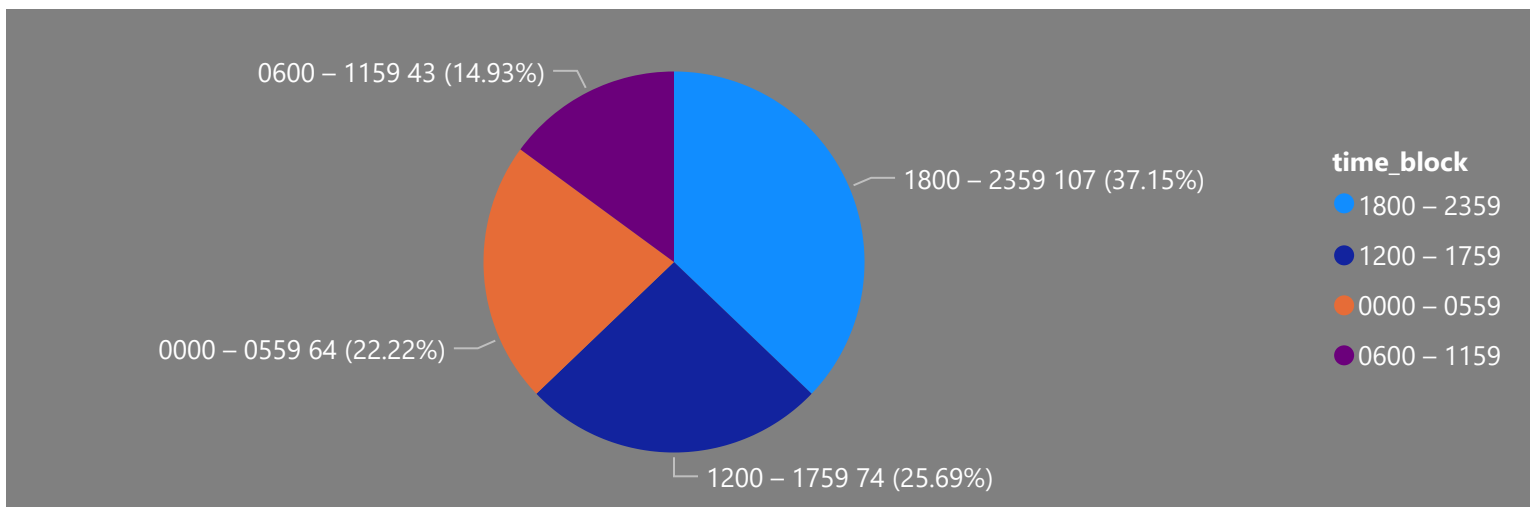
- 1) Felonies with known, at-large, suspects
- 2) Wanted parolees
- 3) Officer safety information (vehicle occupants in possession of firearms, possible armed subjects, etc.)

FORCE INCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK, CITY WIDE



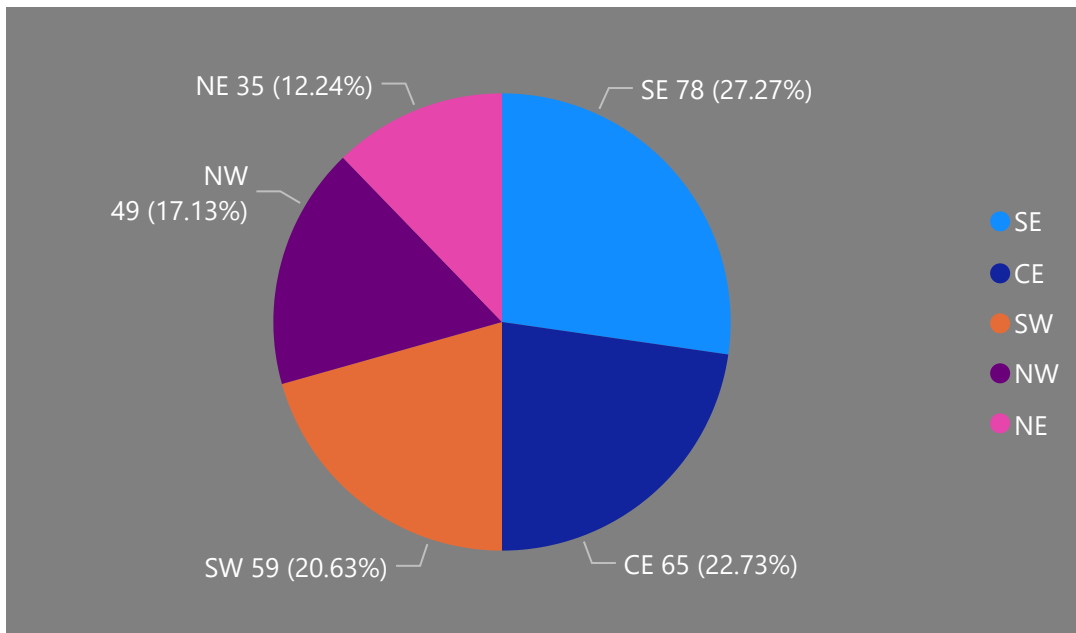
Day	Percentage
Sunday	16.67%
Saturday	15.28%
Friday	14.93%
Wednesday	14.93%
Monday	13.19%
Tuesday	13.19%
Thursday	11.81%

FORCE INCIDENTS BY HOUR OF DAY, CITY-WIDE



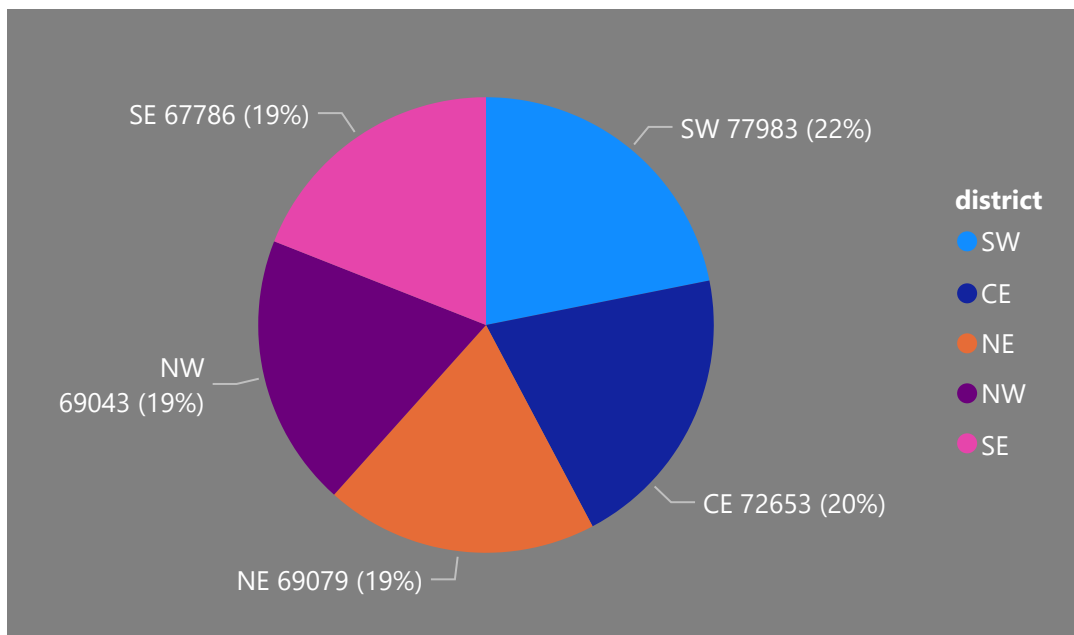
Time Block	Percentage
1800 – 2359	37.15%
1200 – 1759	25.69%
0000 – 0559	22.22%
0600 – 1159	14.93%

FORCE INCIDENTS BY POLICING DISTRICT



Of the 288 force incidents, 2 were not assigned to a specific district.

ALL CALLS FOR SERVICE (CFS) BY POLICING DISTRICT

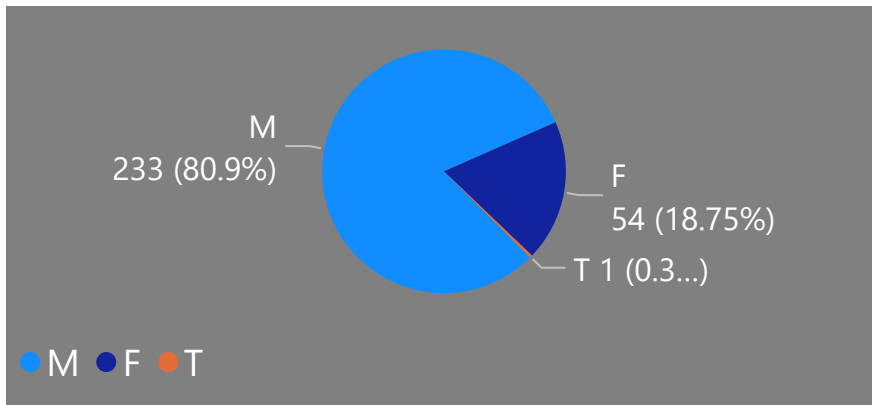


Of the 373838 CFS 17294, were not assigned to a specific district.

* See page 6 for policing district boundaries.



FORCE INCIDENTS BY GENDER OF SUSPECTS



REPORTED CRIMES BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS

Age Group	Asian	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Total
12-17	65	659	1359	66	195	2344
18-23	90	663	1492	82	246	2573
24-29	169	873	2174	134	512	3862
30-35	193	1057	2548	160	823	4781
36-41	247	772	2202	133	736	4090
42-47	136	555	1288	83	576	2638
48-53	40	316	672	48	329	1405
54-59	21	190	376	33	274	894
60-65	18	119	164	16	168	485
66+	35	67	103	15	128	348
Total	1014	5271	12378	770	3987	23420

Of the 54749 reported crime suspects, 23420 had both age and race data.

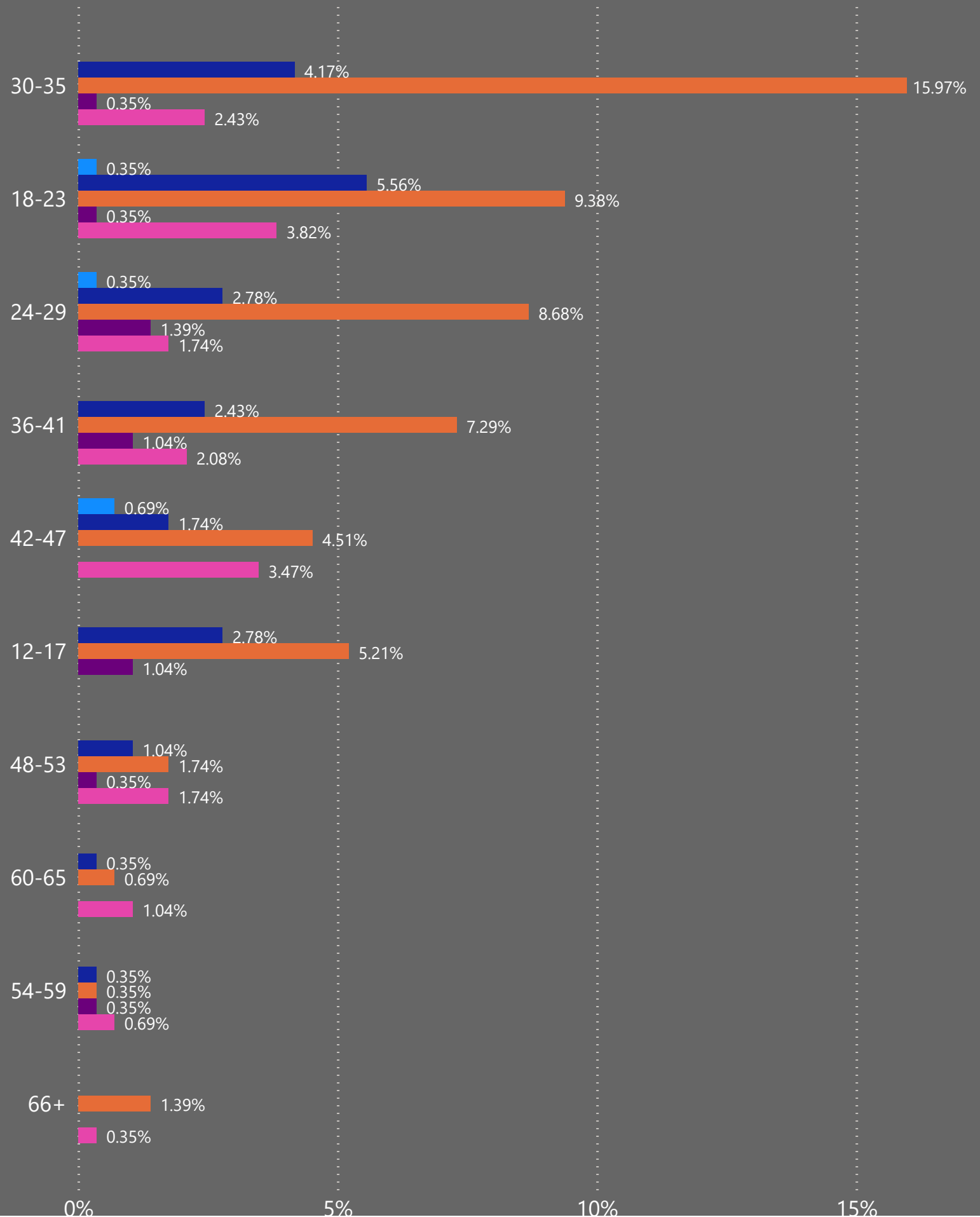
REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS

Age Group	Asian	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Total
12-17		8	15	3		26
18-23	1	16	27	1	11	56
24-29	1	8	25	4	5	43
30-35		12	46	1	7	66
36-41		7	21	3	6	37
42-47	2	5	13		10	30
48-53		3	5	1	5	14
54-59		1	1	1	2	5
60-65		1	2		3	6
66+			4		1	5
Total	4	61	159	14	50	288

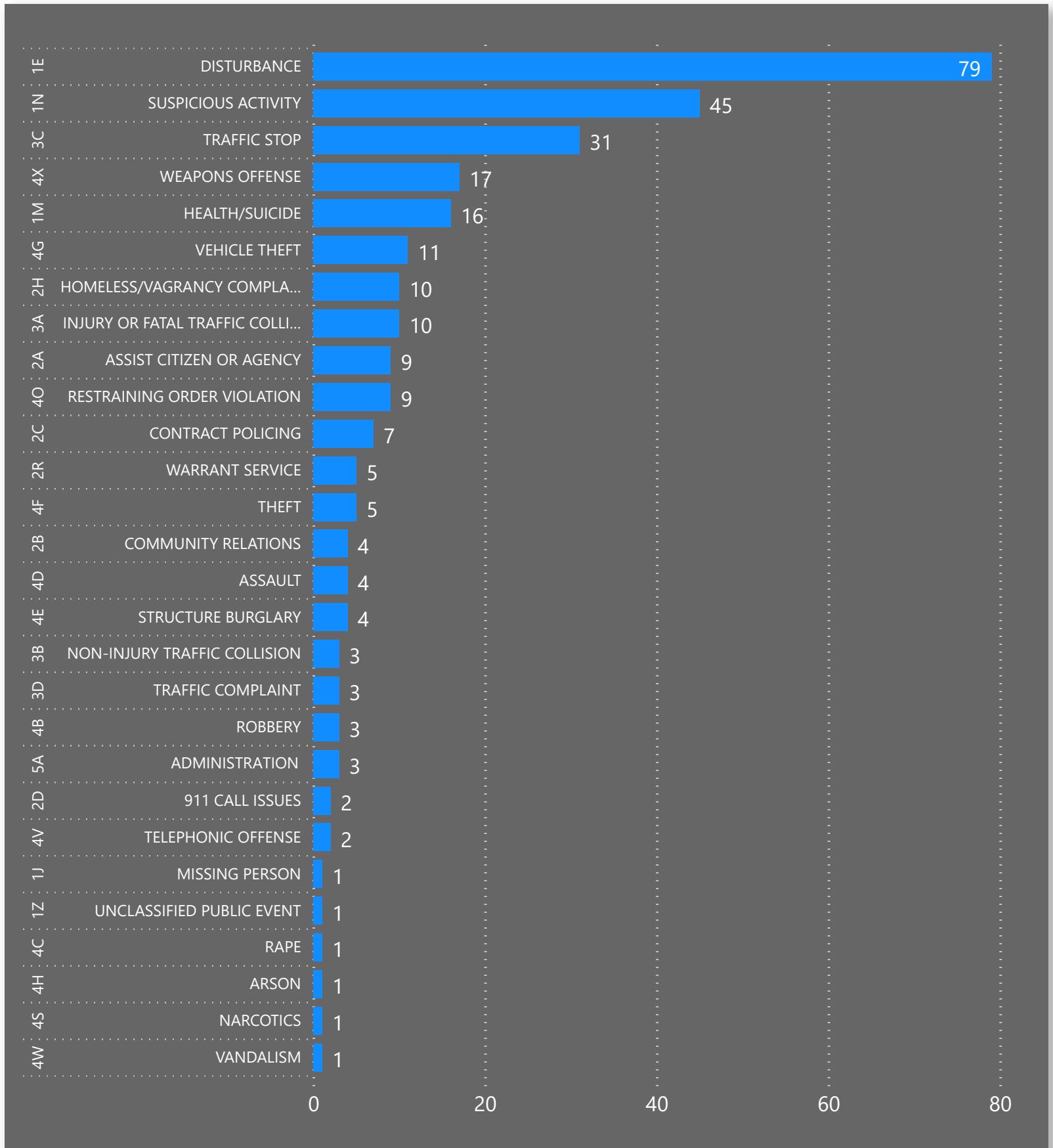
Of the 288 force incidents, 288 had both age and race data.

REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY AGE AND RACE OF SUSPECTS

Race ● Asian ● Black ● Hispanic ● Other ● White

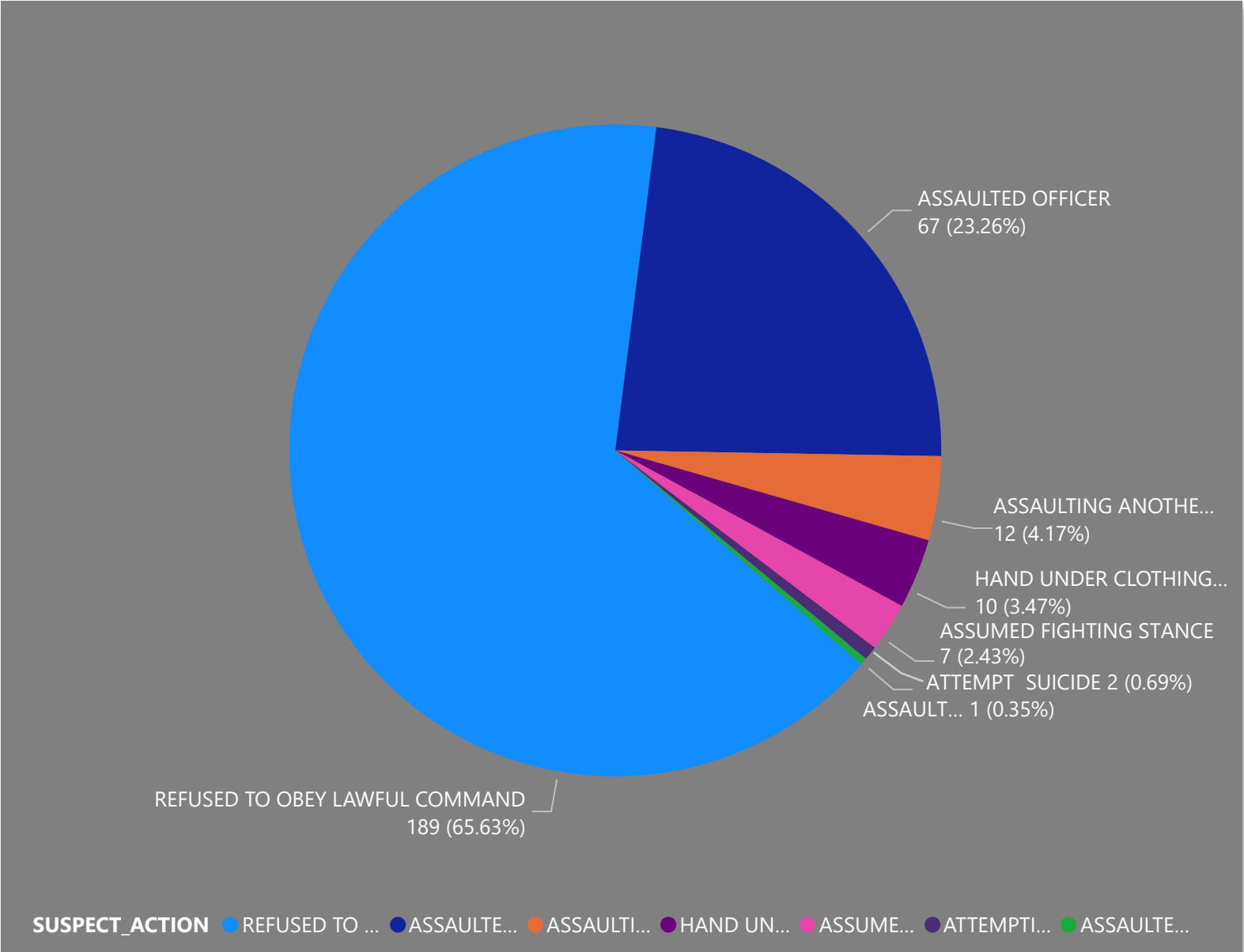


TYPE OF CFS RESULTING IN REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS



class_code ▲	DESCRIPTION	Count of CASE_NO
1E	DISTURBANCE	79
1J	MISSING PERSON	1
1M	HEALTH/SUICIDE	16
1N	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	45
1Z	UNCLASSIFIED PUBLIC EVENT	1
2A	ASSIST CITIZEN OR AGENCY	9
2B	COMMUNITY RELATIONS	4
2C	CONTRACT POLICING	7
2D	911 CALL ISSUES	2
2H	HOMELESS/VAGRANCY COMPLAINTS	10
2R	WARRANT SERVICE	5
3A	INJURY OR FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION	10
3B	NON-INJURY TRAFFIC COLLISION	3
3C	TRAFFIC STOP	31
3D	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	3
4B	ROBBERY	3
4C	RAPE	1
4D	ASSAULT	4
4E	STRUCTURE BURGLARY	4
4F	THEFT	5
4G	VEHICLE THEFT	11
4H	ARSON	1
4O	RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION	9
4S	NARCOTICS	1
4V	TELEPHONIC OFFENSE	2
4W	VANDALISM	1
4X	WEAPONS OFFENSE	17
5A	ADMINISTRATION	3
Total		288

SUSPECTS ACTIONS NECESSITATING USE OF FORCE

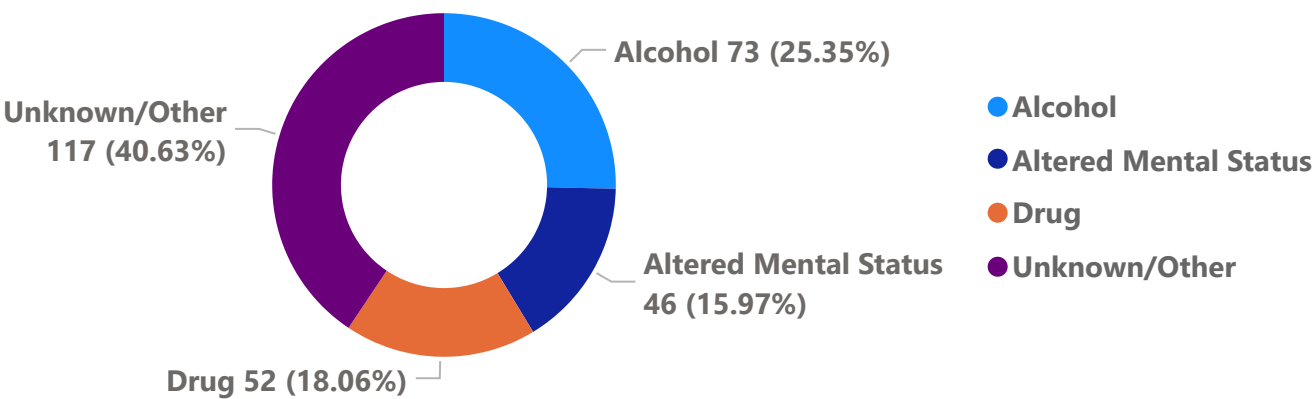


SUSPECT_ACTION	Percentage
REFUSED TO OBEY LAWFUL COMMAND	65.63%
ASSAULTED OFFICER	23.26%
ASSAULTING ANOTHER PERSON	4.17%
HAND UNDER CLOTHING, REFUSED OFFICER'S COMMANDS	3.47%
ASSUMED FIGHTING STANCE	2.43%
ATTEMPTING SUICIDE	0.69%
ASSAULTED OFFICER WITH FIREARM	0.35%

REPORTABLE FORCE INCIDENTS BY TYPE OF CFS AND SUSPECTS ACTION

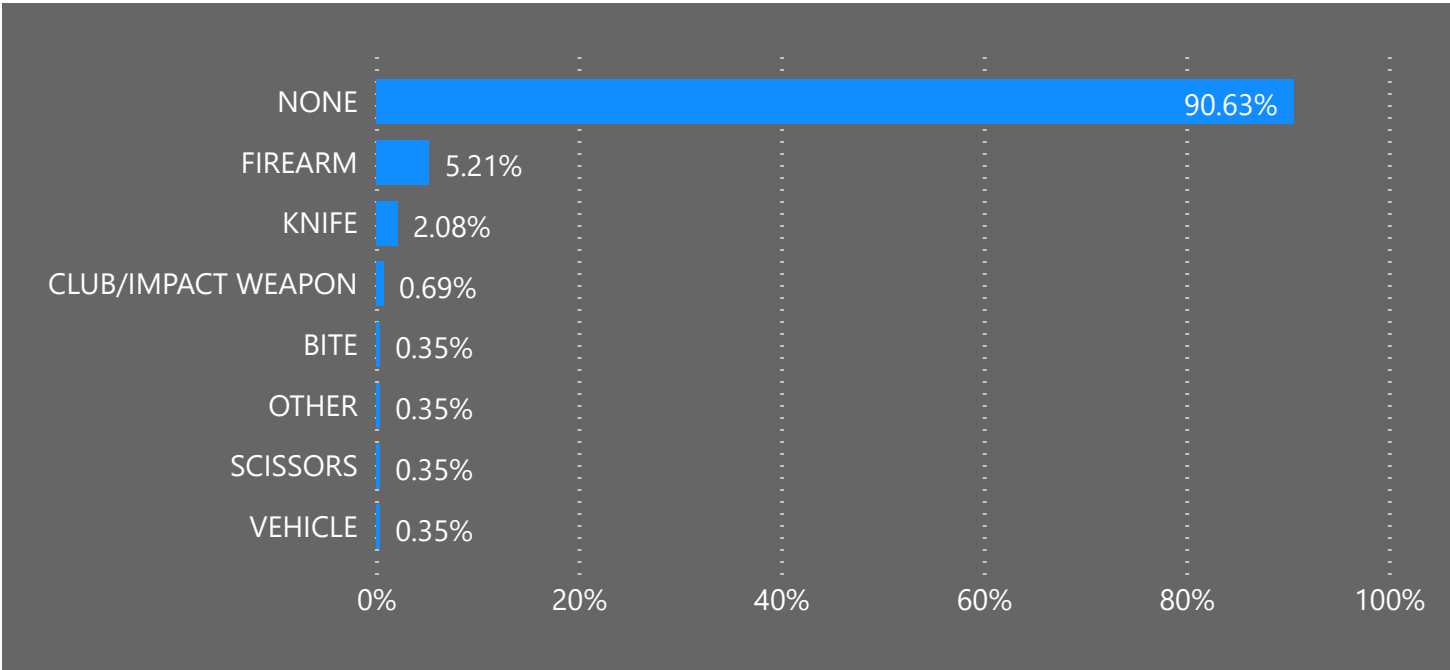
DESCRIPTION	ASSAULTED OFFICER	ASSAULTED OFFICER WITH FIREARM	ASSAULTING ANOTHER PERSON	ASSUMED FIGHTING STANCE	ATTEMPTING SUICIDE	HAND UNDER CLOTHING, REFUSED OFFICER'S COMMANDS	REFUSED TO OBEY LAWFUL COMMAND
▼							
WEAPONS OFFENSE	2	1	1	1			12
WARRANT SERVICE	2						3
VEHICLE THEFT	2					1	8
VANDALISM							1
UNCLASSIFIED PUBLIC EVENT							1
TRAFFIC STOP	8					2	21
TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	1						2
THEFT	1						4
TELEPHONIC OFFENSE							2
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	10		1	2		2	30
STRUCTURE BURGLARY	1						3
ROBBERY	2						1
RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATION	1						8
RAPE							1
NON-INJURY TRAFFIC COLLISION							3
NARCOTICS							1
MISSING PERSON	1						
INJURY OR FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION	1					1	8
HOMELESS/VAGR ANCY COMPLAINTS	1						9
HEALTH/SUICIDE	5				1	2	8
DISTURBANCE	18		9	3		4	45
CONTRACT POLICING	3						4
COMMUNITY RELATIONS	2		1				1
ASSIST CITIZEN OR AGENCY	1						8
ASSAULT	2						2
ARSON							1
911 CALL ISSUES	1						1
ADMINISTRATION	2						1
Total	67	1	12	7	2	10	189

SUSPECT'S CONDITION AT TIME REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED



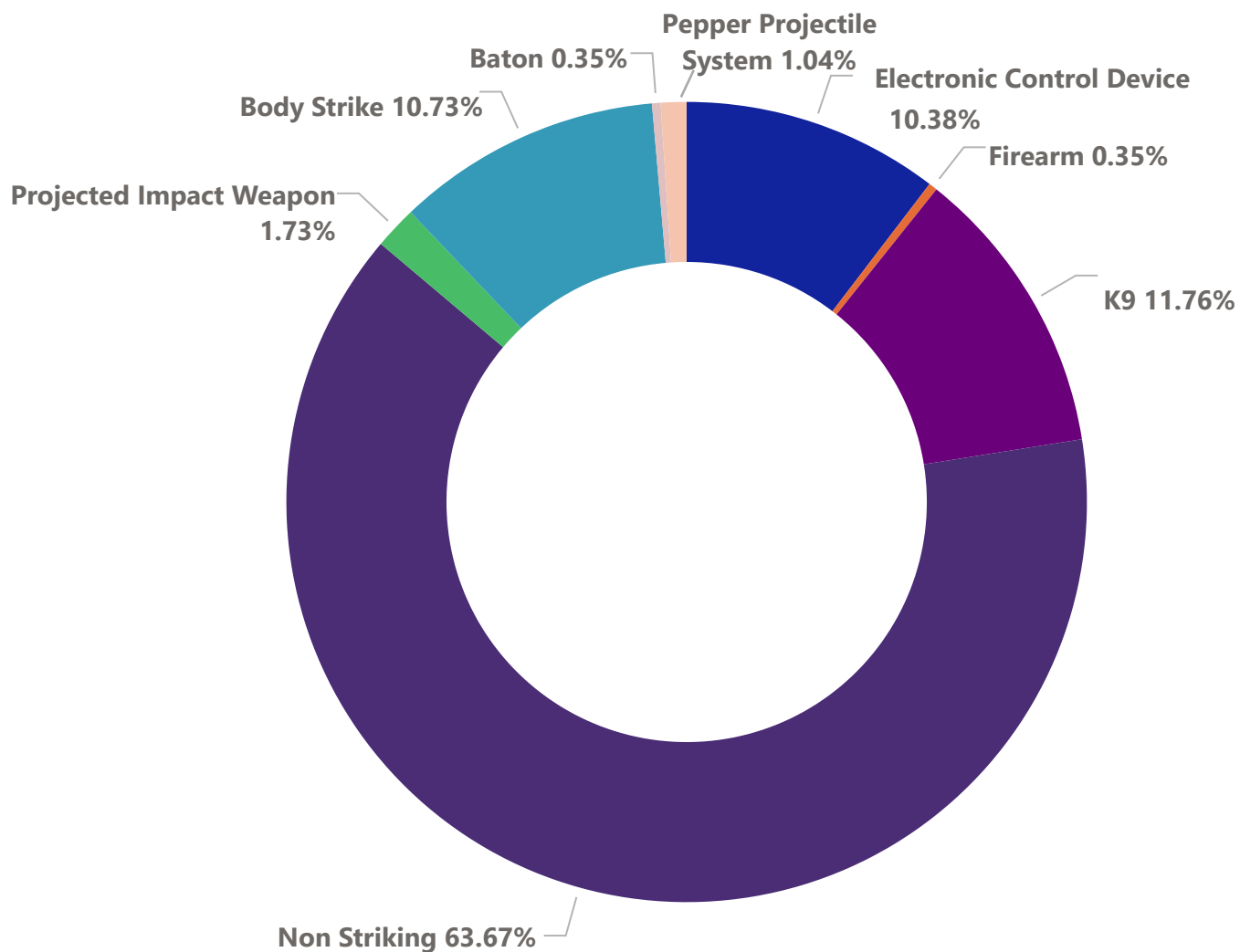
Some suspects had more than one condition.

SUSPECT WEAPONS WITH REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED



Suspect Weapon	Percentage
NONE	90.63%
FIREARM	5.21%
KNIFE	2.08%
CLUB/IMPACT WEAPON	0.69%
BITE	0.35%
OTHER	0.35%
SCISSORS	0.35%
VEHICLE	0.35%

REPORTABLE FORCE USED BY OFFICERS



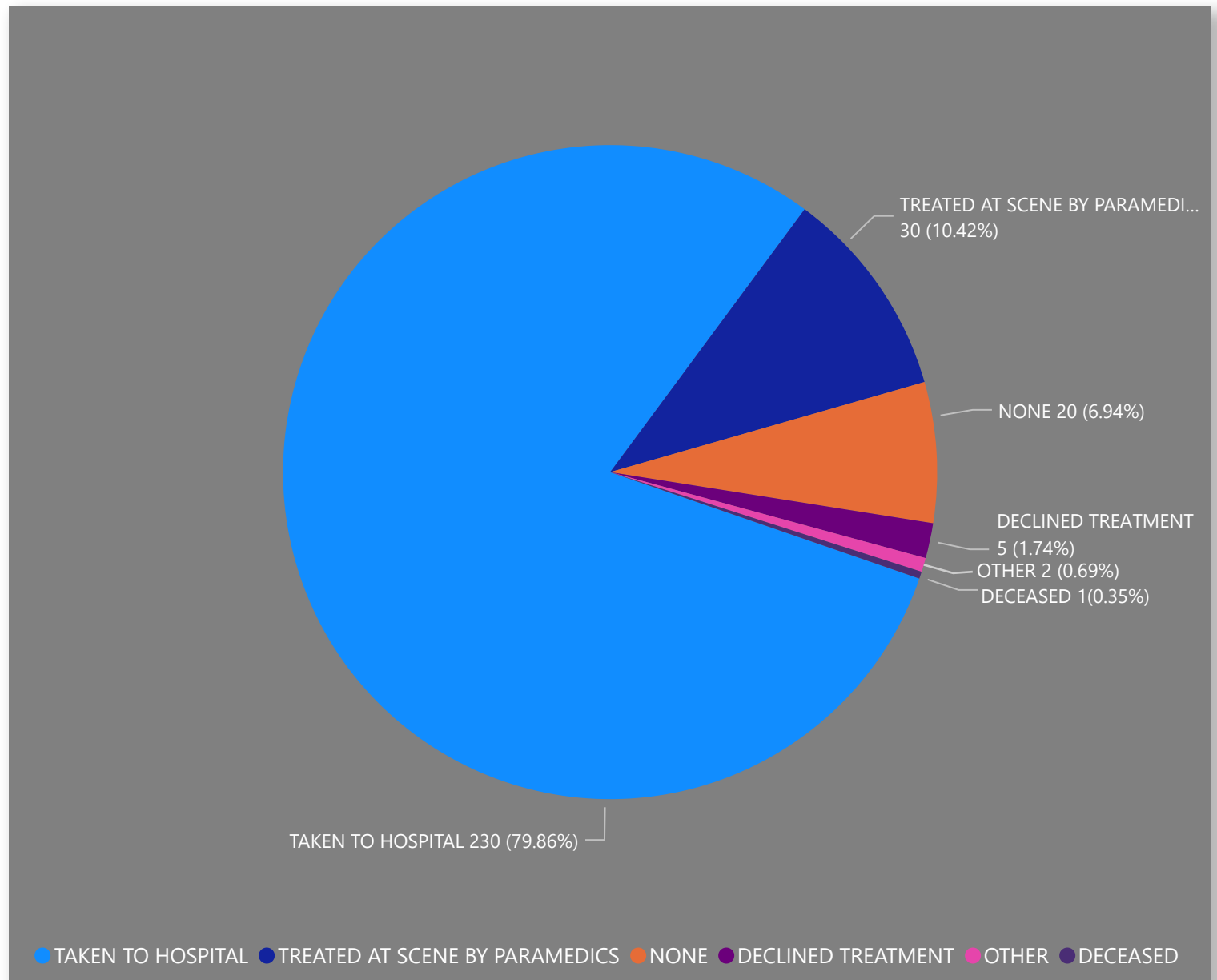
Some incidents require multiple applications of force to take a suspect into custody or stop an unlawful attack.

31 Body Strike	1 Baton	0 Carotid Restrai...	30 Electronic Con...	1 Firearm	34 K9
0 Pepper Spray	184 Non Striking	0 Object Strike	5 Projected Imp...	0 Vehicle	3 Pepper Projectile ...

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

OFFICER SAFETY ISSUES, WEAPON RETENTION

SUSPECT MEDICAL REVIEW AFTER REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED



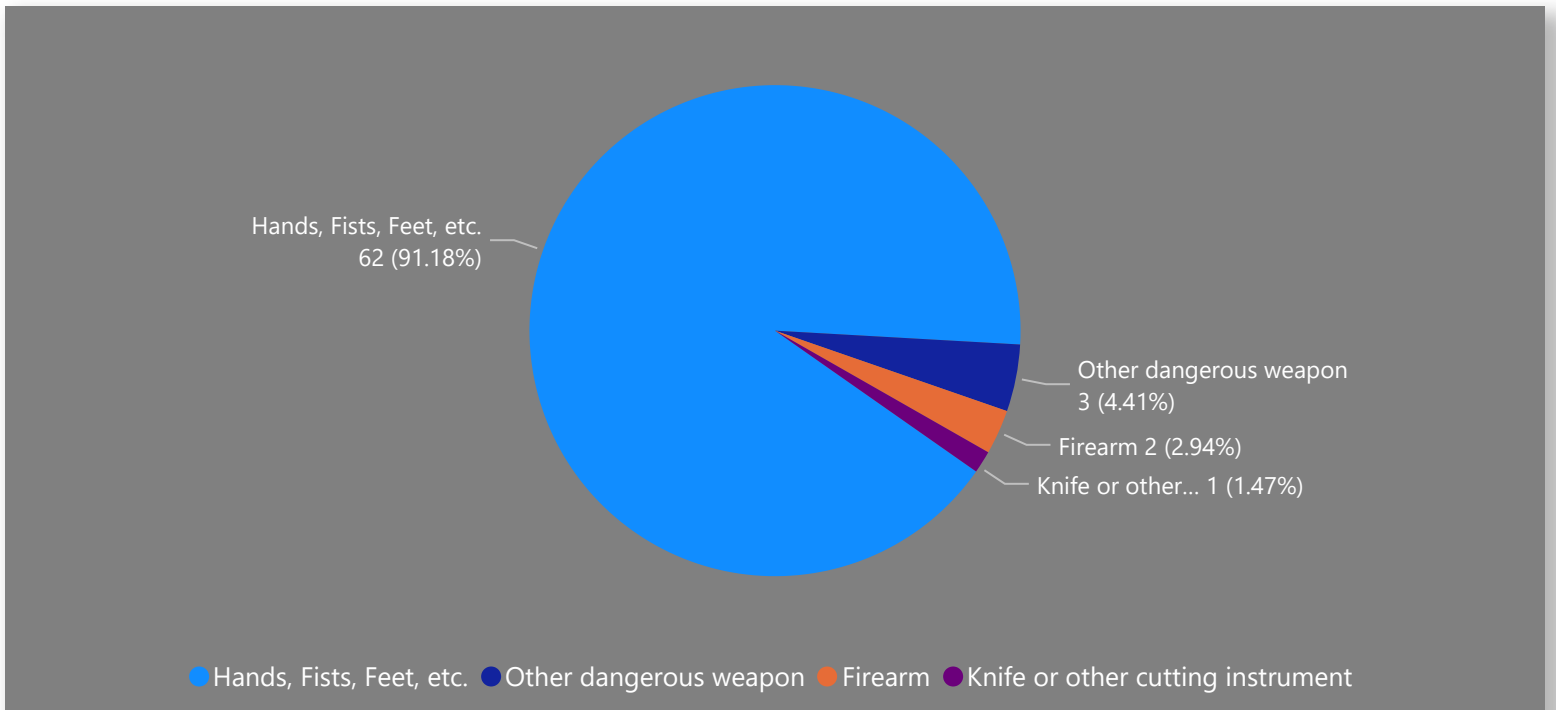
OFFICER SAFETY ISSUES, WEAPON RETENTION

SUSPECT MEDICAL REVIEW AFTER REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED

SUSPECT_TREATMENT	Percentage ▼	Count of CASE_NO
TAKEN TO HOSPITAL	79.86%	230
TREATED AT SCENE BY PARAMEDICS	10.42%	30
NONE	6.94%	20
DECLINED TREATMENT	1.74%	5
OTHER	0.69%	2
DECEASED	0.35%	1
Total	100.00%	288

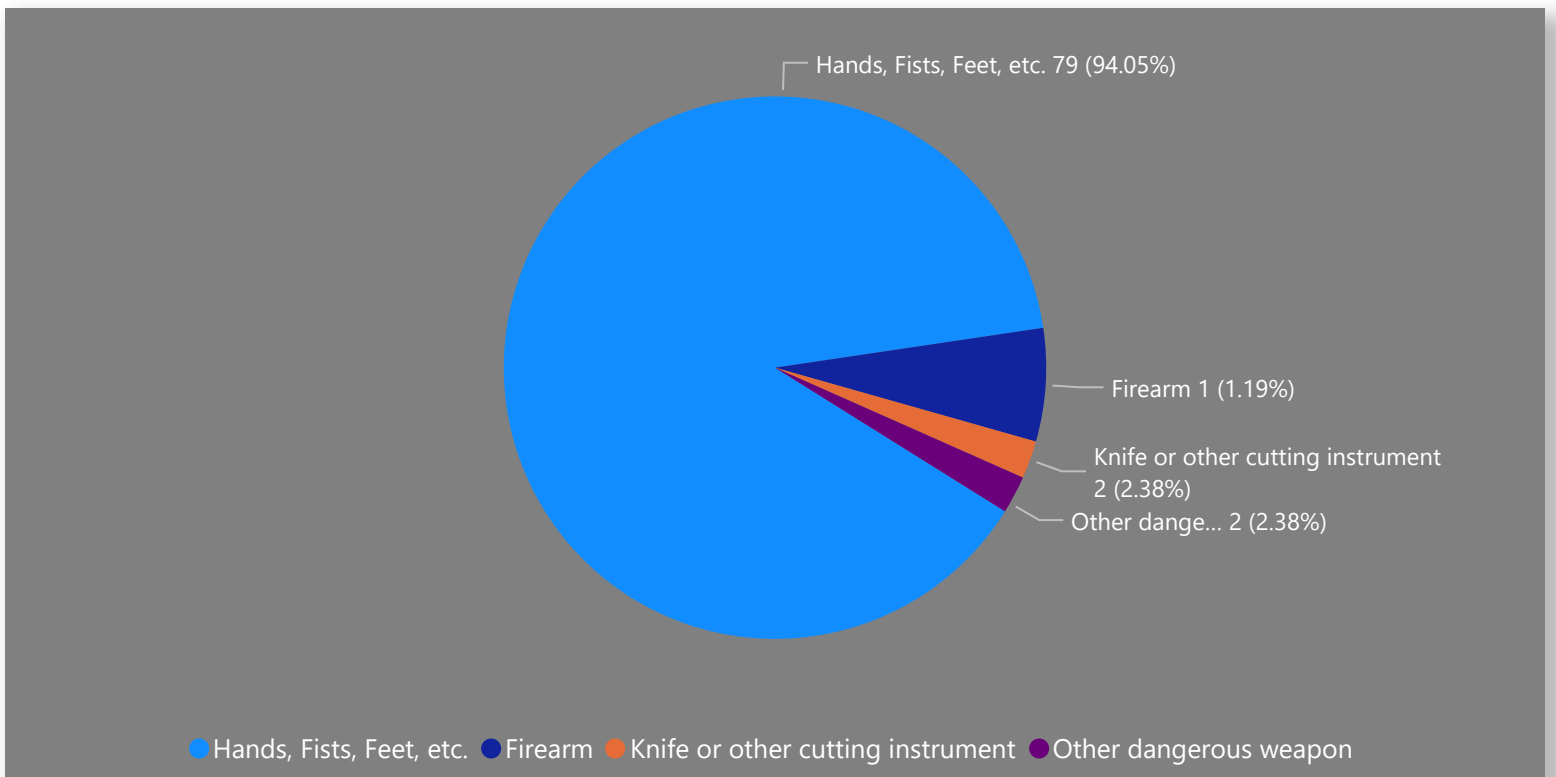
Not all suspects who received medical review were injured. Per Department policy, any person subjected to a chemical agent/mace, electronic control device (Taser), less lethal impact projectile, or any force which causes injury or renders temporary disability to an arrestable subject, is automatically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

OFFICERS ASSAULTED



68 officers were assaulted.

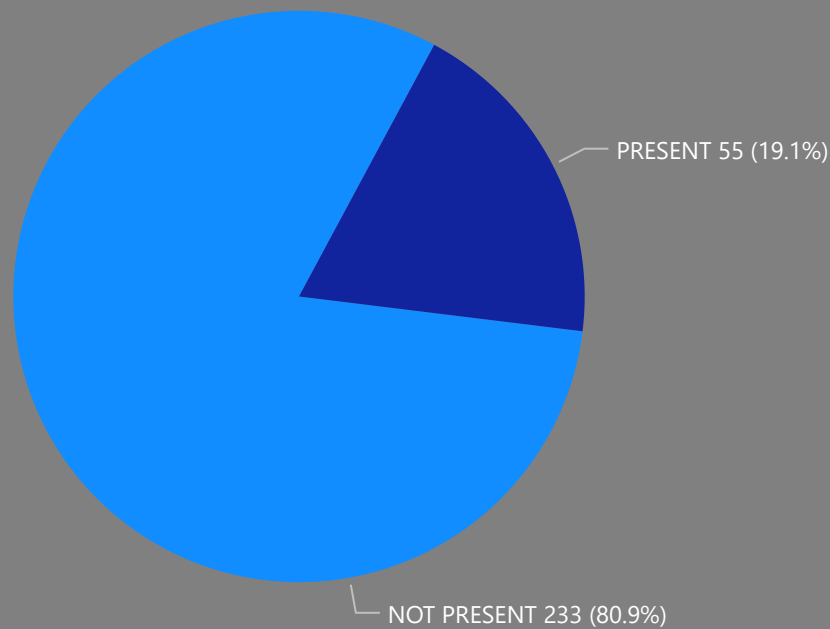
OFFICERS INJURED



84 officers were injured requiring immediate medical treatment.

SUPERVISOR ON SCENE WHEN REPORTABLE FORCE APPLIED

Supervisor Present/Not Present At Scene



SUPERVISOR_ON_SCENE ● NOT PRESENT ● PRESENT

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."