



# 2025 State Reportable Use of Force Statistical Analysis

Groton Town Police Department

# State of Connecticut Reporting requirements

**Connecticut General Statute 7-282e requires each law enforcement unit to report a record of any use of force incident that meets the following criteria:**

1. When a police officer witnesses another police officer use what the witnessing officer objectively knows to be unreasonable, excessive, or illegal use of force or is otherwise aware of such force by another police officer.
  2. When a police officer uses physical force that is likely to cause serious physical injury, as defined in C.G.S. 53a-31, to another person or the death of another person, including, but not limited to:
    - a. Striking another person with an open or closed hand, elbow, knee, club, or baton
    - b. Kicking another person
    - c. Using pepper spray, or an electronic defense weapon, as defined in C.G.S. 53a-32, or less lethal projectile on another person
    - d. Using a chokehold or other method of restraint applied to the neck area or that otherwise impedes the ability to breathe or restricts blood circulation to the brain of another person
    - e. Discharges a firearm, except during a training exercise or in the course of dispatching an animal.
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The Connecticut Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POSTC) use of force model policy define a reportable use of force as:

1. Striking another person with an open or closed hand, elbow, knee, club or baton, kicking another person
2. Using OC spray\*, CEW\*\*, or less lethal projectile
3. Using a chokehold or neck restraint
4. Pointing a firearm, less lethal launcher, or CEW laser sight at a person
5. The discharge of a firearm, for other than training, testing or to dispatch an animal
6. Any action that results in, or is alleged to have resulted in, injury\*\*\* or death of another person

\* OC Spray: Oleoresin Capsicum Spray (aka Pepper spray)

\*\* CEW: Conducted Electrical Weapon (aka Taser)

\*\*\* CGS 7-282e - physical force that is likely to cause serious physical injury, as defined in C.G.S. 53a-3

*The GTPD had **15 incidents** which met the State of Connecticut reporting requirements in 2025.*

# FBI National Use of Force Data Collection

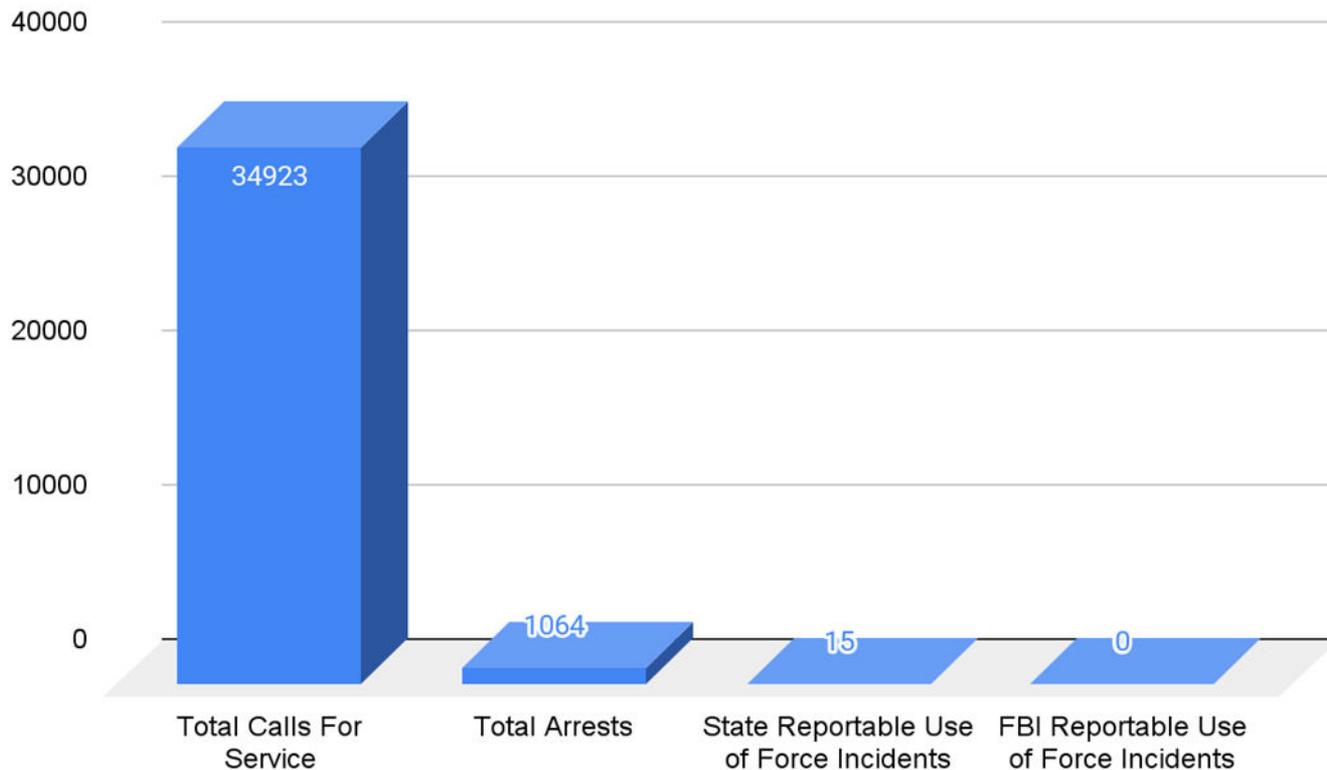
The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) created the National Use of Force Data Collection in 2015, in partnership with law enforcement agencies, to provide nationwide statistics on law enforcement Use of Force incidents. Participation in the National Use of Force Data Collection is voluntary. The GTPD has participated in the program since 2022.

## Incidents that require FBI reporting:

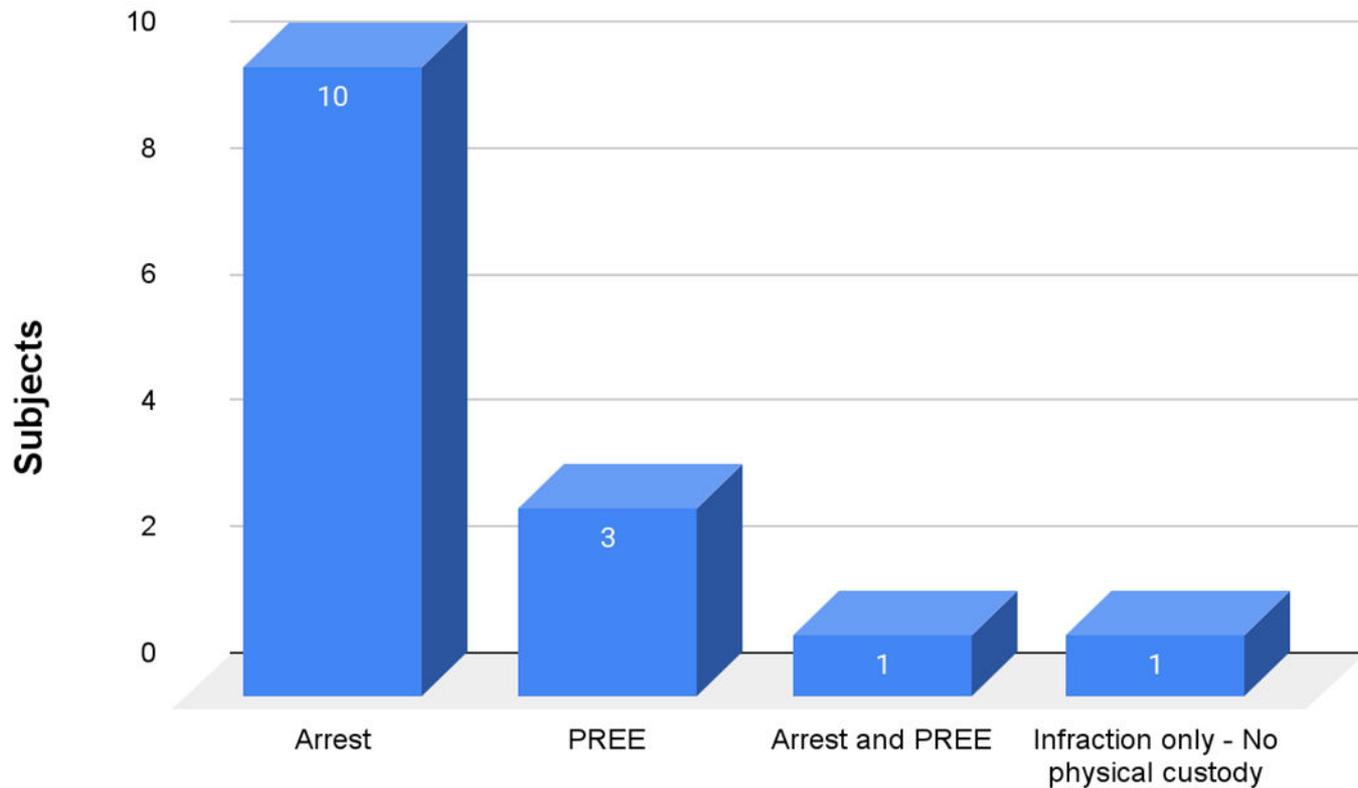
- The death of a person due to law enforcement UOF
- The serious bodily injury of a person due to law enforcement UOF
- The discharge of a firearm by law enforcement at or in the direction that did not otherwise result in death or serious bodily injury

*The GTPD had 0 incidents which met the State of Connecticut reporting requirements in 2025.*

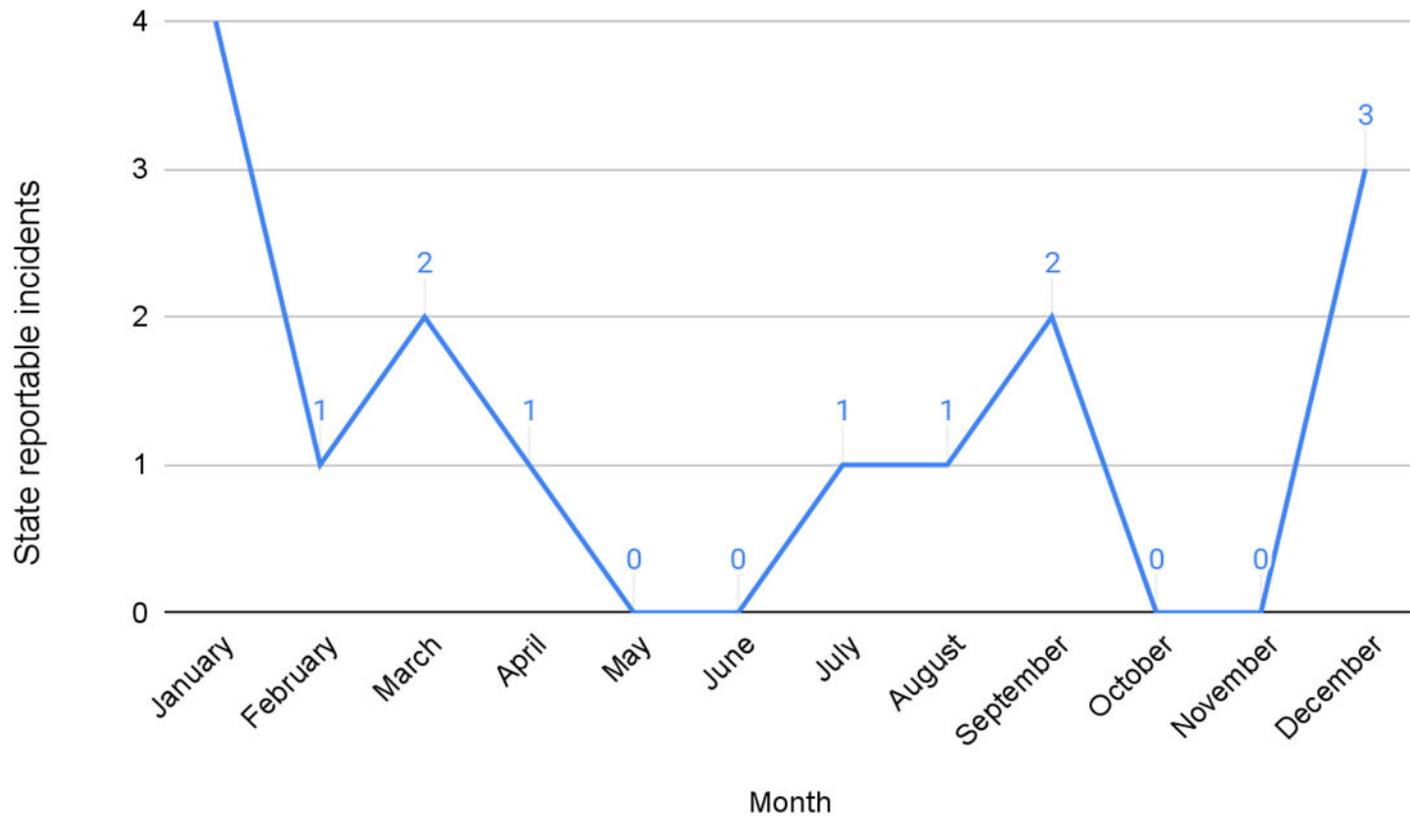
# 2025 Calls for Service, Total Arrests, and Reportable Uses of Force



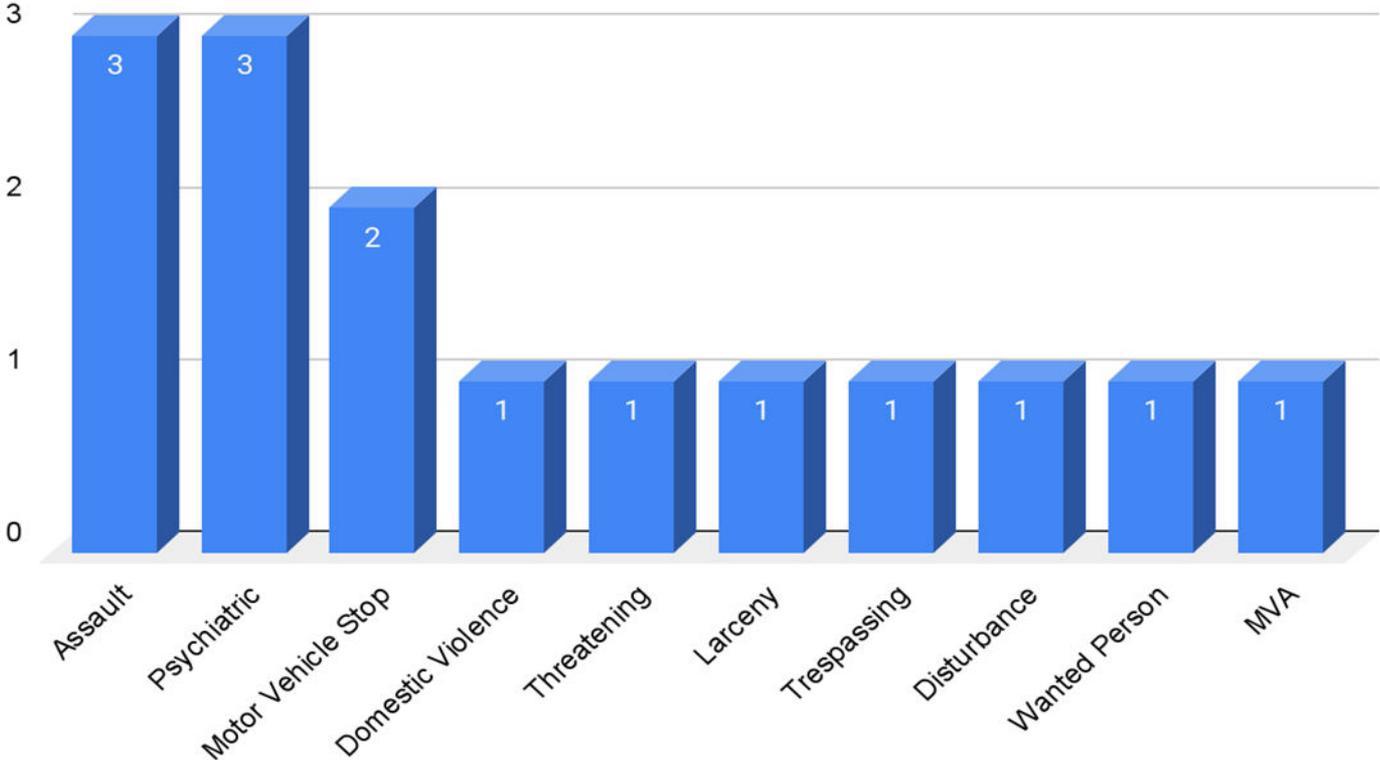
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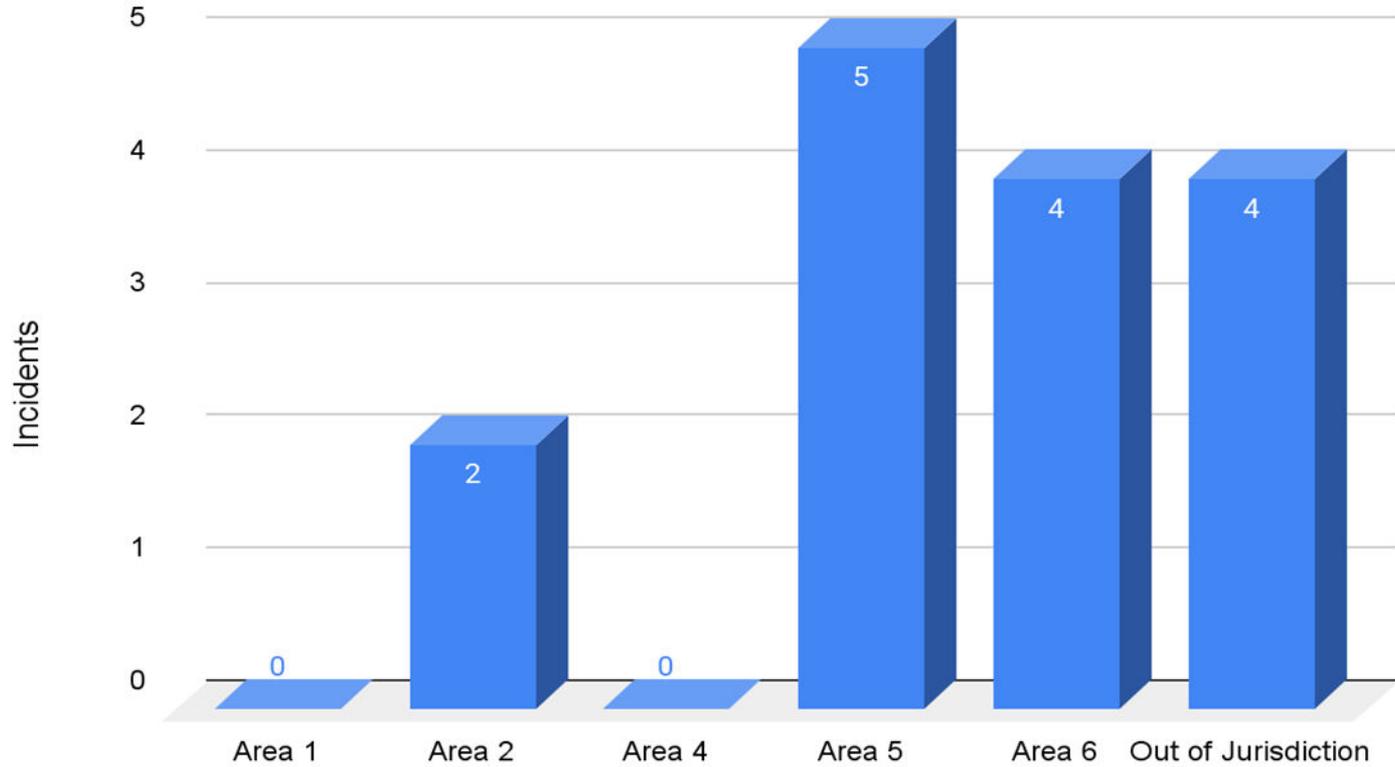
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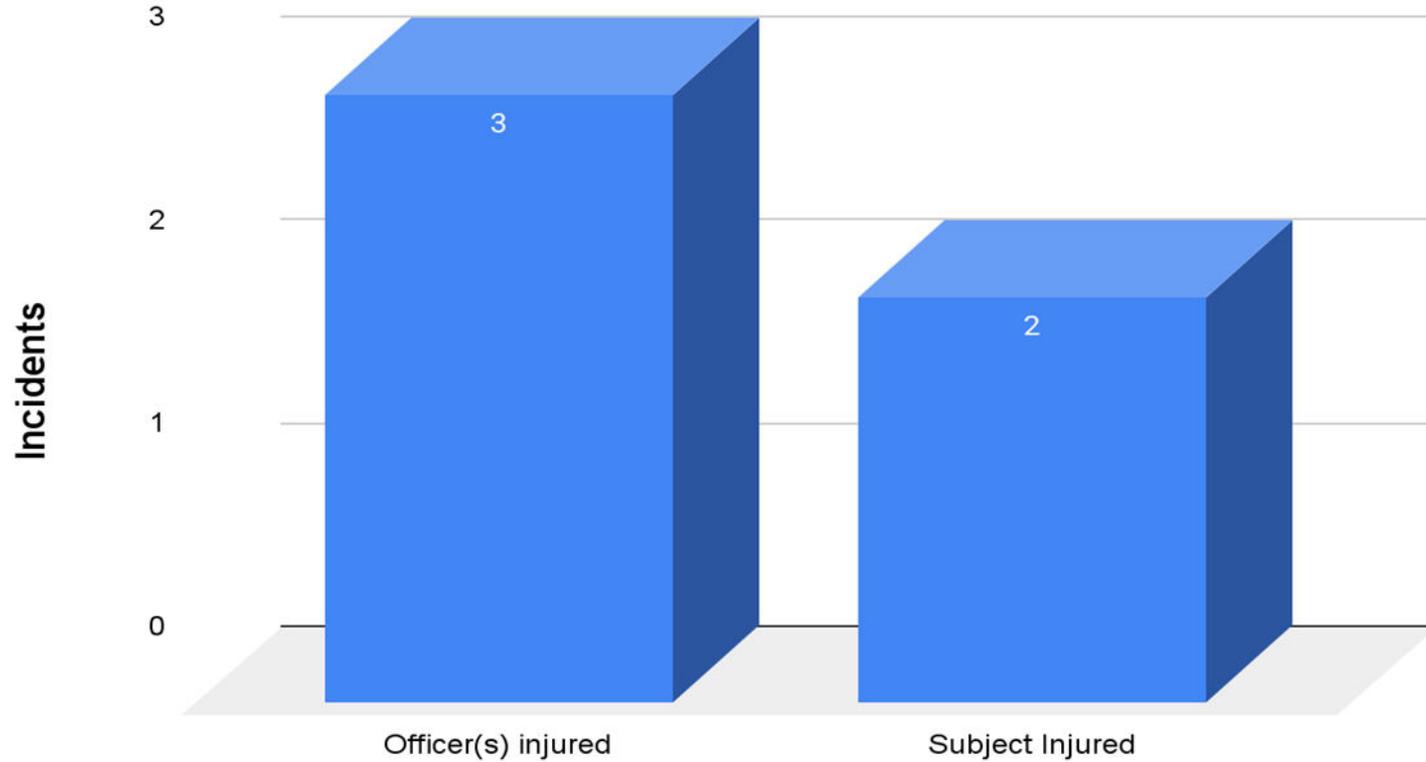
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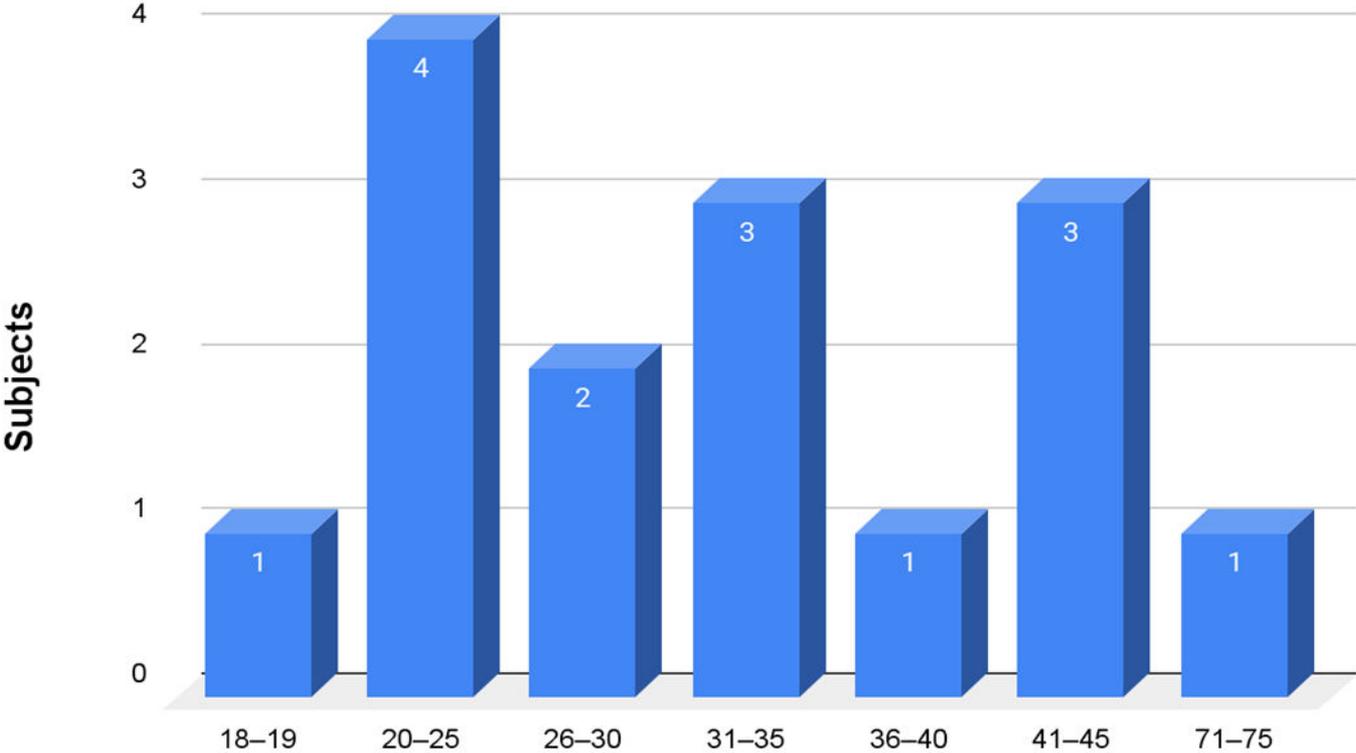
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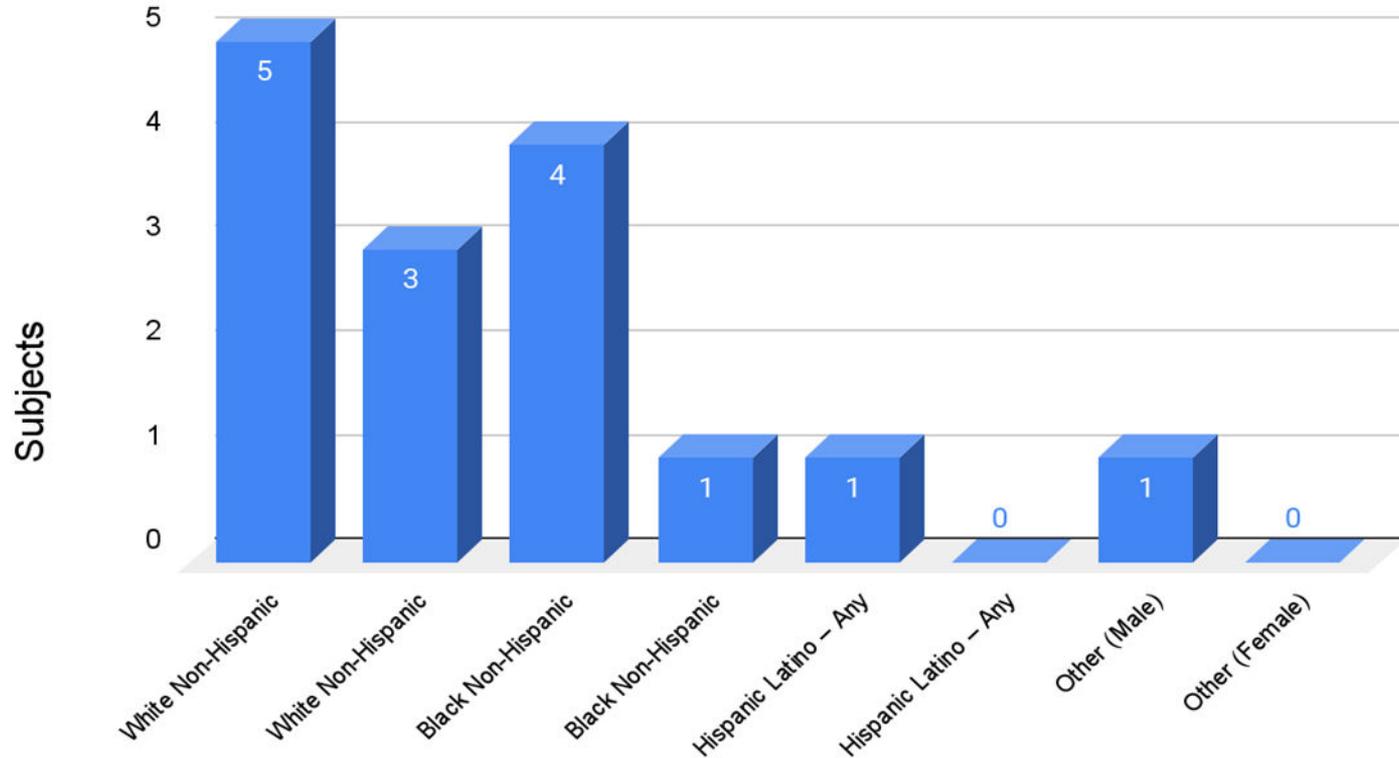
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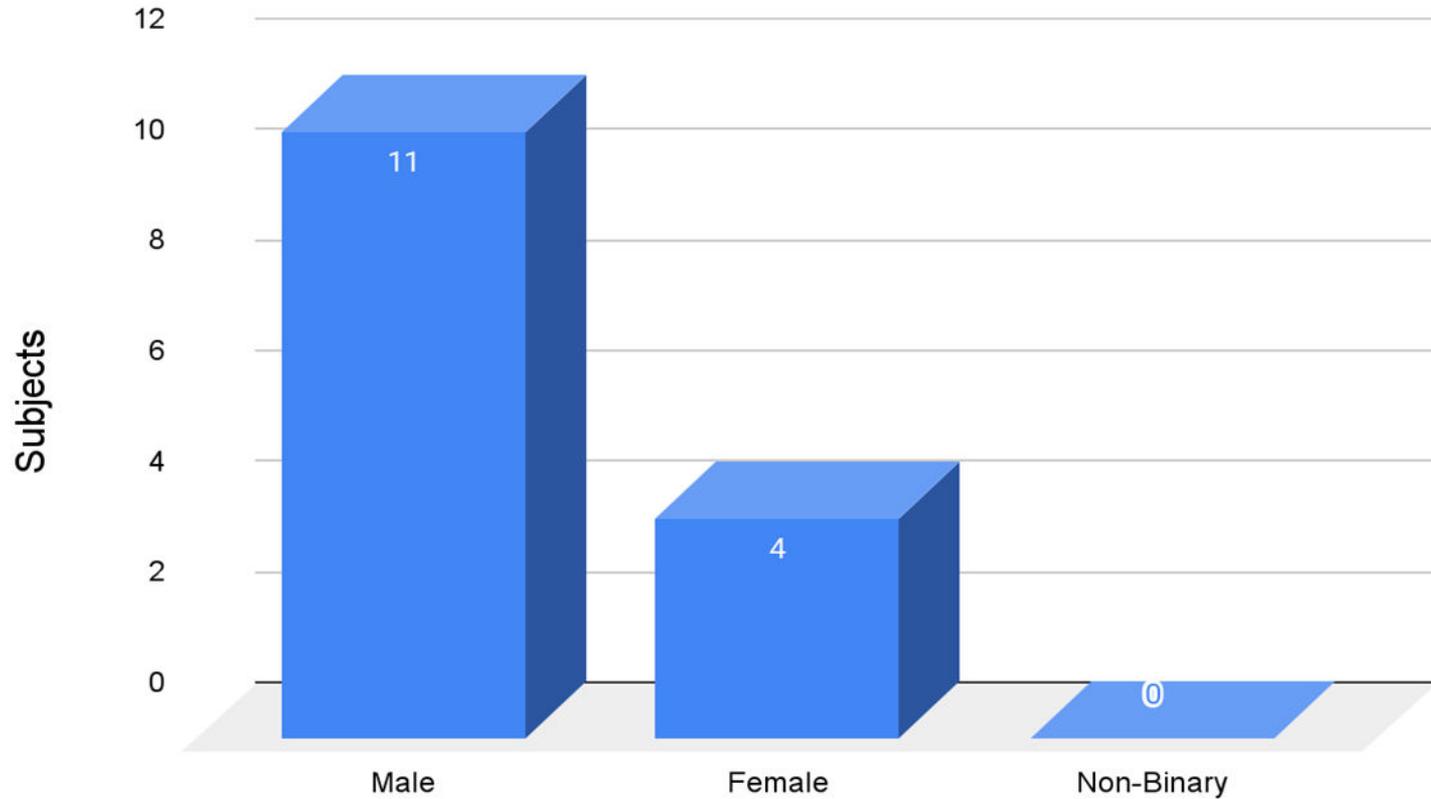
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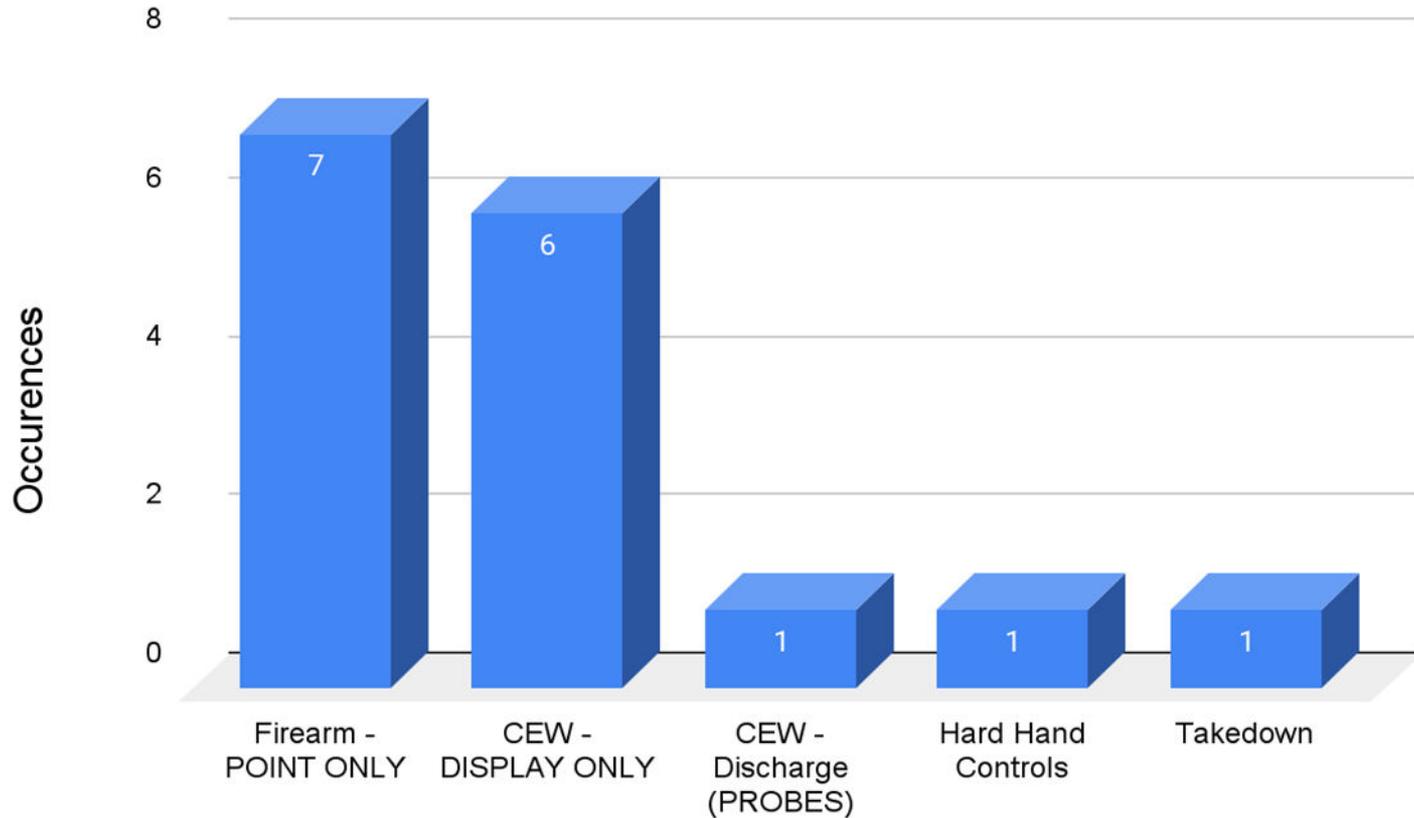
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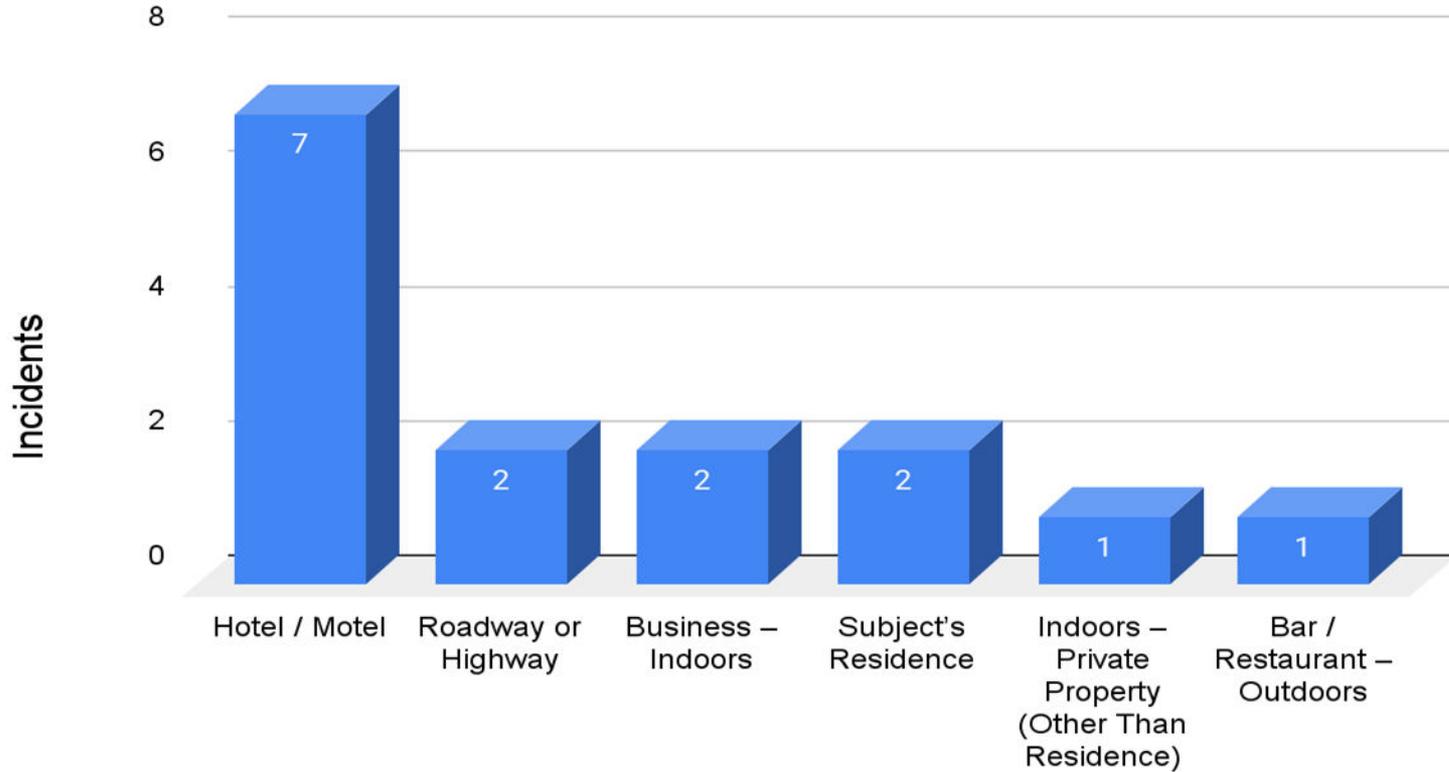
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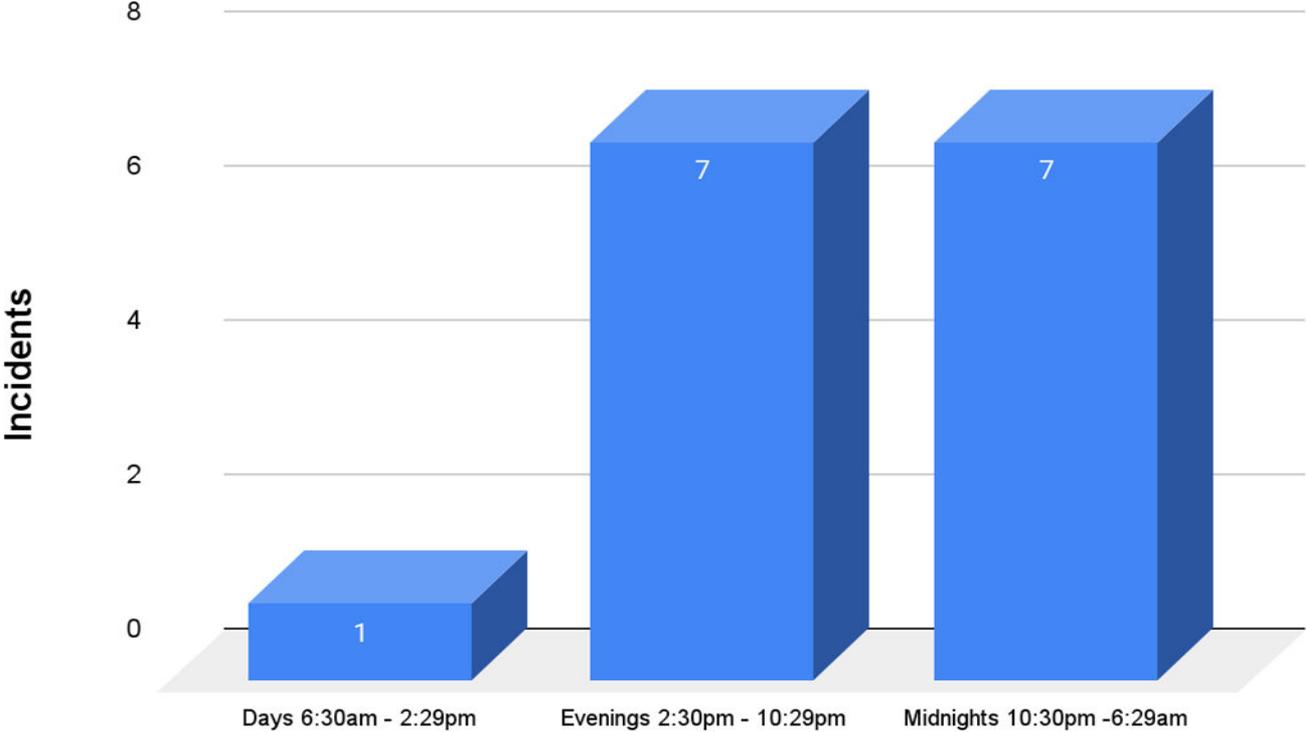
# Physical Force Used by Type



# Incidents by Location Type



# Use of Force by Shift



Incident	DATE	Incident Type	Description	FORCE TYPE
1	1/3/2025	Wanted Person	Wanted person known from prior contacts to be armed	Firearm - POINT ONLY
2	1/10/2025	Motor vehicle stop	The operator abruptly exited the vehicle and advanced toward the officer with their hands concealed beneath a garment.	CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
3	1/20/2025	Threatening	Officers encountered a male subject with prior threats toward children and officers who was believed to be potentially armed	CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
4	1/24/2025	Assault	Subject assaulted a victim and was reported to have displayed a firearm	Firearm - POINT ONLY
5	2/4/2025	Psychiatric Emergency	The subject, reported to be in crisis, had threatened a family member and was believed to be possibly armed.	Firearm - POINT ONLY
6	3/4/2025	Assault	Subject reported to have assaulted the victim with a knife	CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
7	3/29/2025	Larceny	Subject physically attacked officers during their investigation	CEW - Discharge (PROBES)
8	4/11/2025	Trespassing	Subject actively resisted arrest after refusing to leave the establishment	Takedown Maneuver, CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
9	7/6/2025	Assault	Subject assaulted the victim, actively resisted arrest, and during the struggle grabbed for an officer's firearm	Hard Hand Controls
10	8/3/2025	Psychiatric Emergency	The subject, reported to be in crisis and believed to be armed with a knife, barricaded themselves in a closet.	Firearm - POINT ONLY, CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
11	9/3/2025	Motor Vehicle Stop	Mutual aid assistance was provided during a pursuit after a police vehicle was struck. Subject fled from the motor vehicle stop and into the woods where they were subsequently located	Firearms - POINT ONLY
12	9/18/2025	Psychiatric Emergency	Subject reported to be suicidal and armed with a knife	CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
13	12/10/2025	Disturbance	Subject created a disturbance, refused to leave the establishment, and struck an officer with an empty bottle during the arrest	Soft Hand controls, CEW - DISPLAY ONLY
14	12/26/2025	Domestic Violence	Subject reported to have displayed a firearm during a domestic violence incident	Firearms - POINT ONLY
15	12/30/2025	Motor Vehicle Accident	The subject was involved in a motor vehicle crash and threatened the other operator while in possession of a firearm	Firearm - POINT ONLY