

# USE OF FORCE

## Q4 OCTOBER 2021 REPORT

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### Type of force used in each incident

Baton	17
Incapacitant Spray	80
Taser	0
Firearms	0

### Where did the Incident Occur?

Public Outdoor Area	78%
House	12%
Apartment	4%
Commerical Premises	3%
Garda Stations	1%
Public Building	1%
Other	1%

### Time of Day Force was used

Midnight - 3AM	23%
3AM - 6AM	7%
6AM - 12PM	9%
12PM - 6PM	16%
6PM - Midnight	45%

### Days of the week force was used

Monday	13%
Tuesday	8%
Wednesday	9%
Thursday	9%
Friday	19%
Saturday	20%
Sunday	22%

### Gender of Person Force was used on



Female  
5%



Male  
95%

### Types of Incidents in which force was used

Public Order Offences	56%	Mental Health Act	4%
Drug Related Offences	11%	Criminal Damage Offences	3%
Assault Related Offences	9%	Firearm Related Offences	3%
Traffic Related Offences	7%	Domestic Related Offences	2%
Theft Related Offences	4%	Other	1%

### Divisions that used force in October 2021

DMR South Central	11%	Kerry	3%
DMR South	7%	Laois/Offaly	3%
Cork City	7%	Cork North	3%
DMR West	5%	Mayo	3%
Waterford	5%	Westmeath	3%
DMR North Central	5%	Wexford	3%
Tipperary	5%	Kildare	2%
Cavan/Monaghan	4%	Meath	2%
DMR North	4%	DMR East	2%
Louth	4%	Sligo/Letrim	2%
Limerick	4%	Galway	2%
Kilkenny/Carlow	4%	Clare	1%
Wicklow	3%	Roscommon/Longford	0%
Donegal	3%	Cork West	0%

**Use of Force Incidents  
are Checked by  
Internal Affairs on  
a Weekly Basis and  
Updated Monthly**

- 61% of all use of force incidents occur during the weekend (Fri to Sun)
- The most common time for a use of force to occur was on a Sunday between 6pm – Midnight

## Total Use of Force Incidents

# 97



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An Garda Síochána is in process of building baseline data on all Use of Force options in 2021 to facilitate greater monitoring capability and reporting of trend information from 2022 onwards. Indicative data is being published monthly in infographic form from November 2020 onwards for key Use Of Force options. It is operational data and subject to clarification and change as investigations proceed and the overall the data lifecycle process develops during 2021. As such, it is unsuitable for further analysis (such as comparison between months) until the fully validated dataset is published in 2022.