

USE OF FORCE

Q2 APRIL 2022 REPORT

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Type of force used in each incident

Baton	15
Incapacitant Spray	68
Taser	0
Firearms	0

Where did the Incident Occur?

Public Outdoor Area	60%
House	15%
Commerical Premises	11%
Other	6%
Public Building	4%
Apartment	3%
Garda Stations	1%

Time of Day Force was used

Midnight - 3AM	23%
3AM - 6AM	5%
6AM - 12PM	10%
12PM - 6PM	21%
6PM - Midnight	41%

Days of the week force was used

Monday	13%
Tuesday	8%
Wednesday	14%
Thursday	8%
Friday	15%
Saturday	22%
Sunday	20%

Gender of Person Force was used on



Female
10%



Male
90%

Types of Incidents in which force was used

Public Order Offences	60%	Domestic Related Offences	4%
Assault Related Offences	8%	Criminal Damage Offences	3%
Drug Related Offences	8%	Firearm Related Offences	3%
Traffic Related Offences	6%	Mental Health Act	2%
Theft Related Offences	4%	Other	2%

Divisions that used force in April 2022

DMR South Central	11%	Mayo	3%
Cork City	8%	Laois/Offaly	3%
DMR West	7%	Kilkenny/Carlow	2%
DMR North	6%	Waterford	2%
Limerick	5%	Donegal	2%
Tipperary	5%	Westmeath	2%
Kildare	5%	Meath	2%
DMR North Central	5%	Wicklow	2%
Galway	4%	Clare	2%
Kerry	4%	Sligo/Letrim	2%
DMR South	4%	Cavan/Monaghan	2%
Louth	3%	Wexford	1%
DMR East	3%	Roscommon/Longford	1%
Cork North	3%	Cork West	1%

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

- 57% 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 Saturday between 6pm – Midnight

Total Use of Force Incidents

83



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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.