

# USE OF FORCE

## Q3 AUGUST 2021 REPORT

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### Type of force used in each incident

Baton	26
Incapacitant Spray	74
Taser	1
Firearms	0

### Where did the Incident Occur?

Public Outdoor Area	51%
House	24%
Commerical Premises	7%
Apartment	6%
Garda Stations	4%
Public Building	4%
Other	4%

### Time of Day Force was used

Midnight - 3AM	24%
3AM - 6AM	9%
6AM - 12PM	11%
12PM - 6PM	14%
6PM - Midnight	42%

### Days of the week force was used

Monday	15%
Tuesday	12%
Wednesday	14%
Thursday	11%
Friday	16%
Saturday	15%
Sunday	17%

### Gender of Person Force was used on



Female  
8%



Male  
92%

### Types of Incidents in which force was used

Public Order Offences	55%	Other	6%
Drug Related Offences	10%	Firearm Related Offences	3%
Theft Related Offences	8%	Domestic Related Offences	2%
Mental Health Act	8%	Criminal Damage Offences	1%
Assault Related Offences	6%	Traffic Related Offences	1%

### Divisions that used force in August 2021

Cork City	14%	Kerry	3%
DMR South Central	10%	Kildare	3%
DMR West	5%	Tipperary	3%
DMR South	5%	Galway	3%
Cavan/Monaghan	5%	Mayo	3%
Waterford	5%	Sligo/Letrim	2%
Cork North	5%	Kilkenny/Carlow	2%
DMR North	4%	Meath	1%
DMR East	4%	Cork West	1%
Louth	4%	Westmeath	1%
Limerick	4%	Roscommon/Longford	1%
DMR North Central	3%	Wexford	1%
Wicklow	3%	Clare	1%
Donegal	3%	Laois/Offaly	1%

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

- 48% 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

# 101



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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.