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2022 REPORT TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND

January 1 – December 31, 2022

Public Safety Article §3-514 requires law enforcement agencies to collect data of police officers' use of force and report to the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission (MPTSC) the data, aggregated by numbers of complaints administratively charged, not charged, unfounded, and exonerated. This includes aggregated data of all use of force complaints and not just those considered serious officer-involved incidents.

USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS

The Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions (MPCTC) staff developed a reporting process for agencies to report this information. On January 10, 2023, agency heads were emailed an informational reporting guide and reporting link to a new Google Doc reporting system where the required data was entered by each agency and uploaded into a system maintained by staff of MPCTC. Agencies were required to report the number of events for the following during calendar year 2022:

- (1) Number of use of force complaints administratively charged*
- (2) Number of use of force complaints not charged*
- (3) Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded*
- (4) Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated*
- (5) Number of complaints pending*

2022 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REPORTING

There were 157 agencies employing approximately 16,000 Commission certified police officers in 2022. However, not all of the agencies were identified as being required to comply with Public Safety Article §3-207(b)(1) as some of the agencies have employees who are certified as law enforcement officers by the Police Training and Standards Commission, but are not defined as law enforcement agencies under Public Safety Article §3-101(e). Therefore, a total of 136 agencies that were required to report use of force complaints were identified for the 2022 reporting year. All of the required agencies filed a report with the MPTSC.

Statewide Agency Summary of Use of Force Complaints

Agencies That Reported No Complaints	98
Agencies Reporting Use of Force Complaints	38
Total Number of Use of Force Complaints	621
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	24
Number of complaints NOT charged	440
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	51
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	79
Number of use of force complaints pending (as of 12/31/22)	157

Agencies with Use of Force Complaints Detailed Data

Annapolis Police (005)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Anne Arundel County Police (009)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	8
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	3
Number of use of force complaints pending	2

Anne Arundel County Sheriff (302)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Baltimore City Police (011)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	11
Number of complaints NOT charged	298
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	115

Baltimore City School Police (406)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	11
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Baltimore County Police (013)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	43
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	9
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	31
Number of use of force complaints pending	10

Calvert County Sheriff (308)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	2
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Caroline County Sheriff (310)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Charles County Sheriff (316)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	3
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	2

Crisfield Police (057)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	5
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Cumberland Police (061)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	2
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Edmonston Police (071)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	2
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Elkton Police (073)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Frederick City Police (083)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	12
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	6
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	6
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Frederick County Sheriff (320)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Fruitland Police (088)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Gaithersburg Police (091)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Garrett County Sheriff (322)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Greenbelt Police (099)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Hagerstown Police (103)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	2
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	2

Havre de Grace Police Department (109)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	4
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	4
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Howard County Police (111)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	8
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	8
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

La Plata Police (119)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Maryland State Police (141)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	7
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	2
Number of use of force complaints pending	3

Maryland Transit Administration Police (145)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	2
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Maryland Transportation Authority Police (143)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	6
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	3
Number of use of force complaints pending	3

MD National Capital Park Police - Montgomery County (133)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Montgomery County Police (151)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	3

Perryville Police (174)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Prince George's County Police (181)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	14
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	3
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	5
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Prince George's County Sheriff (332)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	3
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	2
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Saint Mary's County Sheriff (338)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	4
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	4
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	3

Salisbury City Police (199)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Seat Pleasant Police (204)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Talbot County Sheriff (340)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	2

Towson University Police (217)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

University of MD Baltimore Police (221)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Westminster Police (235)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0