

2021

Use of Force

Quarterly Report

2nd Quarter: April 1 - June 30, 2021

Albany Police Department



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Introduction

This is the second quarterly report for Use of Force incidents for the Albany Police Department in 2021. Quarterly reports are designed to provide supervisors and training coordinators with information regarding use of force incidents. The Albany Police Department started compiling quarterly use of force data in January 2020. This report will be compared to the past years quarterly data as well as the most recent previous quarter. This information will be utilized to identify patterns or trends that could indicate training needs, equipment upgrades, and/or policy modifications. The second quarter data is from April 1 to June 30, 2021. There were 45 use of force incidents and 99 uses of force on 48 subjects. There are more total uses of force because many times an officer will use force that may be ineffective thus requiring more than one force technique during an incident or if multiple officers are present and called upon to use force, this accounts for all uses of force during each incident.

Officers use de minimis force whenever possible. De minimis force is defined as a physical interaction meant to separate, guide, and/or control without the use of formal control techniques, or other techniques that are intended to, or reasonably likely to cause any pain or injury. The use of force requires notification and report when physical force, except de minimis force, is used.

Classification of Initiating Call

The following information outlines the types of calls that initiated the need for use of force by the Albany Police Department. Due to the large number of call types, we have condensed this information into seven categories.

Classification of Initiating Call	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
Fight or Disturbance	19	41.3%	9	19.6%	13	28.9%
Assist Other Agency/Warrant	10	21.7%	11	23.9%	10	22.2%
Traffic	2	4.3%	7	15.2%	5	11.1%
Property Crime	4	8.7%	5	10.9%	5	11.1%
Mental Health or Suicidal	1	2.2%	3	6.5%	2	4.4%
Drug Related	2	4.3%	1	2.2%	0	0.0%
Other	8	17.4%	10	21.7%	10	22.2%
Total Responses	46	100.0%	46	100.0%	45	100.0%

Fight or Disturbance: Assault, Disorderly Conduct, Interfering, Resisting Arrest, Domestic, Harassment, Menacing, Weapons.

Assist Other Agency/Warrant: Warrants served by our department, or with our assistance, for other agencies, Wanted Persons.

Traffic: Traffic Crime, DUII, Pursuit, Elude, Hit & Run, Careless Driving.

Property Crime: Burglary, Theft, Criminal Mischief, Vandalism, Fraud, Shoplifting, Stolen or Recovered Vehicle.

Mental Health or Suicidal: Emotionally Disabled Person, Suicidal Subject, Police Officer Hold, Welfare Check.

Drug Related: Narcotics warrant or any other incident where drugs were a primary causal factor.

Other: Miscellaneous Crime, Public Indecency, Trespass, Curfew, Exclusion, Restraining Order Violation, Sex Offense, Runaway, Suspicious Person, Suspicious Circumstances, Reckless Endangering, MIP, Robbery, Animal Complaints.

Breakdown and Comparison of Subjects by Gender, Race and Age

Gender	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
Male	39	78.0%	37	78.7%	40	83.3%
Female	11	22.0%	10	21.3%	8	16.7%
Total	50	100.0%	47	100.0%	48	100.0%

Age	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
17 and Younger	1	2.0%	5	10.6%	2	4.2%
18 - 20	2	4.0%	4	8.5%	1	2.1%
21 - 30	17	34.0%	14	29.8%	11	22.9%
31 - 40	19	38.0%	18	38.3%	19	39.6%
41 - 50	4	8.0%	3	6.4%	11	22.9%
51 - 60	6	12.0%	2	4.3%	4	8.3%
61 and Older	1	2.0%	1	2.1%	0	0.0%
Total	50	100.0%	47	100.0%	48	100.0%

Race	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
White	43	86.0%	39	83.0%	39	81.3%
Black	0	0.0%	4	8.5%	2	4.2%
Hispanic	7	14.0%	4	8.5%	7	14.6%
Native American	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Asian	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	50	100.0%	47	100.0%	48	100.0%

Day of Week/Time of Day

Day of Incident	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
	Sunday	3	6.5%	9	19.6%	4
Monday	6	13.0%	9	19.6%	7	15.6%
Tuesday	4	8.7%	4	8.7%	6	13.3%
Wednesday	6	13.0%	3	6.5%	7	15.6%
Thursday	13	28.3%	6	13.0%	10	22.2%
Friday	5	10.9%	12	26.1%	5	11.1%
Saturday	9	19.6%	3	6.5%	6	13.3%
Total	46	100.0%	46	100.0%	45	100.0%

Time of Incident	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
	0001 - 0400	10	21.7%	11	24.4%	10
0401 - 0800	5	10.9%	2	4.4%	4	8.9%
0801 - 1200	7	15.2%	7	15.6%	7	15.6%
1201 - 1600	9	19.6%	12	26.7%	6	13.3%
1601 - 2000	5	10.9%	8	17.8%	4	8.9%
2001 - 0000	10	21.7%	6	13.3%	14	31.1%
Total	46	100.0%	46	102.2%	45	100.0%

Resistance Encountered

Resistance	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
Verbally Aggressive	22	16.3%	24	20.3%	28	19.7%
Push/Shove/Pull	18	13.3%	6	5.1%	21	14.8%
Fighting Stance	16	11.9%	10	8.5%	12	8.5%
Passive Resistance	16	11.9%	17	14.4%	16	11.3%
Attempt to Escape	13	9.6%	13	11.0%	28	19.7%
Other	13	9.6%	11	9.3%	4	2.8%
Hiding/Barricaded	9	6.7%	2	1.7%	8	5.6%
Elude on Foot/Bicycle	6	4.4%	7	5.9%	10	7.0%
Leg/Knee/Foot Strike	6	4.4%	3	2.5%	3	2.1%
Hand/Elbow Strike	6	4.4%	0	0.0%	2	1.4%
Stabbing Instrument	5	3.7%	1	0.8%	1	0.7%
Elude Vehicle	2	1.5%	9	7.6%	7	4.9%
Suicidal	2	1.5%	6	5.1%	0	0.0%
Firearm - Handgun	1	0.7%	3	2.5%	1	0.7%
Impact Weapon	0	0.0%	6	5.1%	1	0.7%
Firearm - Shotgun	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Firearm - Rifle	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OC Chemical Spray	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	135	100.0%	118	100.0%	142	100.0%

Type of Force Used

Type of Force Used	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
40mm LL Display	7	5.7%	3	3.4%	2	2.0%
40mm LL Deploy	1	0.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Arm Bar/Takedown	9	7.3%	7	8.0%	6	6.1%
ASP Baton Deploy	1	0.8%	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
ASP Baton Display	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Bent Wrist Lock	10	8.1%	4	4.6%	11	11.1%
Carbine Display	5	4.1%	8	9.2%	1	1.0%
Carbine Deploy	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Escort Hold	6	4.9%	8	9.2%	11	11.1%
Focused Blow	8	6.5%	4	4.6%	3	3.0%
Hair Hold Takedown	0	0.0%	1	1.1%	1	1.0%
Handgun Display	12	9.8%	18	20.7%	15	15.2%
Handgun Fired	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
K-9 Bite	2	1.6%	2	2.3%	0	0.0%
K-9 Deploy	2	1.6%	4	4.6%	2	2.0%
K-9 Display	2	1.6%	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Leg Sweep	5	4.1%	3	3.4%	2	2.0%
Mandibular Pressure Point	1	0.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
O.C. Deploy	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
O.C. Spray Display	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other	6	4.9%	2	2.3%	8	8.1%
Push/Shove	4	3.3%	1	1.1%	13	13.1%
Shotgun Display	0	0.0%	1	1.1%	0	0.0%
Subclavian/Shoulder Lock	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.0%
Tackle/Takedown	4	3.3%	2	2.3%	4	4.0%
Taser Deploy	12	9.8%	4	4.6%	4	4.0%
Taser Display	18	14.6%	9	10.3%	7	7.1%
Wrap Restraint	8	6.5%	4	4.6%	8	8.1%
TOTAL	123	100.0%	87	100.0%	99	100.0%

Total Arrests Versus Total Use of Force Incidents

Arrests vs. Incidents	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)	Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)	Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)
Arrests	1,276	1,290	1,283
Use of Force Incidents	46	46	45
Total Percentage	3.6%	3.6%	3.5%

Total Calls for Service Versus Total Use of Force Incidents

Calls for Service vs. Incidents	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)	Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)	Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)
Calls for Service	9,246	7,592	8,839
Use of Force Incidents	46	46	45
Total Percentage	0.50%	0.61%	0.51%

Officer Injuries

Officer Injuries During Use of Force	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
No Injury	56	94.9%	51	91.1%	66	89.2%
Minor - No Medical Attention	3	5.1%	3	5.4%	6	8.1%
Minor - Medical Attention	0	0.0%	2	3.6%	2	2.7%
Hospital	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Fatality	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	59	100.0%	56	100.0%	74	100.0%

Summary of Officer Injuries

21-02523

Officers responded to a report of a domestic disturbance. The male subject was placed in handcuffs. The subject was saying erratic comments, some of which did not make sense. The subject began to bang his head on the patrol car. It became apparent that the male was having a medical emergency. The officers took the male to the emergency room. Upon arrival they put the

male subject into the WRAP restraint before admitting him to the hospital. The subject spit in one of the officers faces when the officer was applying the WRAP. The medical attention needed for this subject was not due to the officers' actions. The subject was charged with Aggravated Harassment.

21-03818

Officers responded to the report of a disturbance between two males. Officers determined that one of the two males would be placed under arrest. The subject to be arrested did not obey directives to be placed in handcuffs. The subject struggled with officers and attempted to punch one of the officers in the head. During the struggle one officer sustained an injury to the knee and the subject sustained a small cut to his cheek and arm. Officers requested medical personnel to the scene to evaluate the subject's injury. The subject was cleared from medical personnel and transported to jail. He was lodged for Attempted Assault in the Second Degree, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Attempted Assaulting a public Safety Officer, Menacing, Resisting Arrest, and Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree.

Other Persons Injured

Person Injuries During Use of Force	Q2 2020 (Previous Year Same Quarter)		Q1 2021 (Previous Quarter)		Q2 2021 (Current Quarter)	
No Injury	32	64.0%	42	89.4%	35	72.9%
Minor - No Medical Attention	7	14.0%	2	4.3%	9	18.8%
Minor - Medical Attention	7	14.0%	1	2.1%	4	8.3%
Hospital	4	8.0%	2	4.3%	0	0.0%
Total	50	100.0%	47	100.0%	48	100.0%

Summary of Hospitalizations

No hospitalizations reported during the second quarter.