

New Castle County Division of Police

Annual Response to Resistance Report / Assault on Sworn Officer Review 2023

CALEA Standard 4.2.4 & 4.2.5

Overview:

In 2023, New Castle County police officers generated and responded to 99,645 calls and made 4,963 arrests for a total of 11,189 distinct criminal charges. Force was used in 198 of these incidents.

The chart and graph shown below indicates the number of Response to Resistance reports submitted over the past six years, including 2023, and the year-to-year changes.

Year	Response to Resistance Reports	Percent Change from Previous Year
2018	315	3.28%
2019	235	-25.40%
2020	184	-21.70%
2021	137	-25.6%
2022	233	70.07%
2023	198	-15.02%

Type of Force Used

During each incident, an officer may utilize more than one type of force if the initial force was non-effective.

Force	2021-Effective	2021-Non-Effective	2022-Effective	2022-Non-Effective	2023-Effective	2023-Non-Effective
Hands/ Physical	76	13	117	31	122	10
Conducted Energy Weapon	27	44	35	38	37	74
Leg Restraints	7	2	6	2	4	0
Pepper Agent/ Mace	1	0	0	6	1	0
Canine Bite	2	0	4	1	1	0
Firearm Discharge	3	0	7	0	4	1
ASP Baton	1	0	0	1	0	1
Less Lethal	5	1	2	1	2	1
Emer. Restraint Chair	0	0	1	2	1	1