

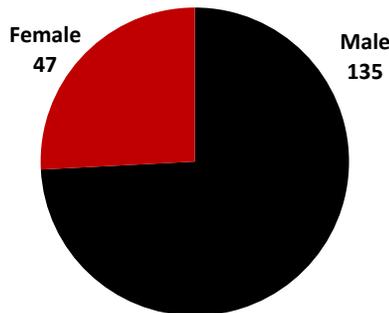


Stearns County Sheriff's Office 2021 Use of Force Report

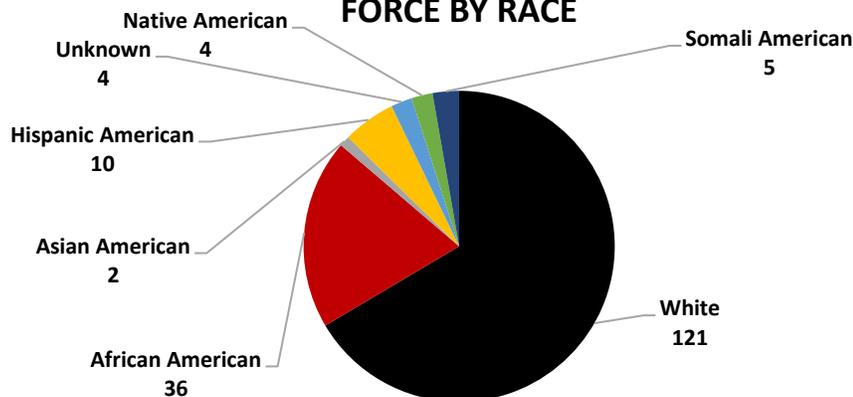
The following is a look at the force used by Stearns County Sheriff's Office Patrol Deputies in 2021. It is the mission and expectation of the Stearns County Sheriff's Office to be committed to our partners, our profession, and our communities. It is in this commitment that we will serve the public and protect the constitutional rights of all people. We recognize and respect the value of all human life and dignity without prejudice to anyone. Vesting our deputies with the authority to use reasonable force and to protect the public welfare requires monitoring, evaluation, and a careful balancing of all interests. This report helps us monitor, evaluate, and balance interests.

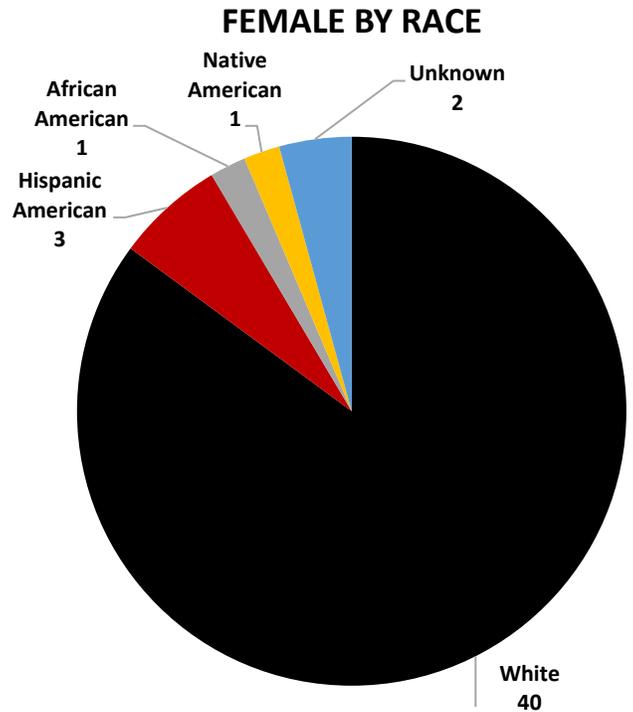
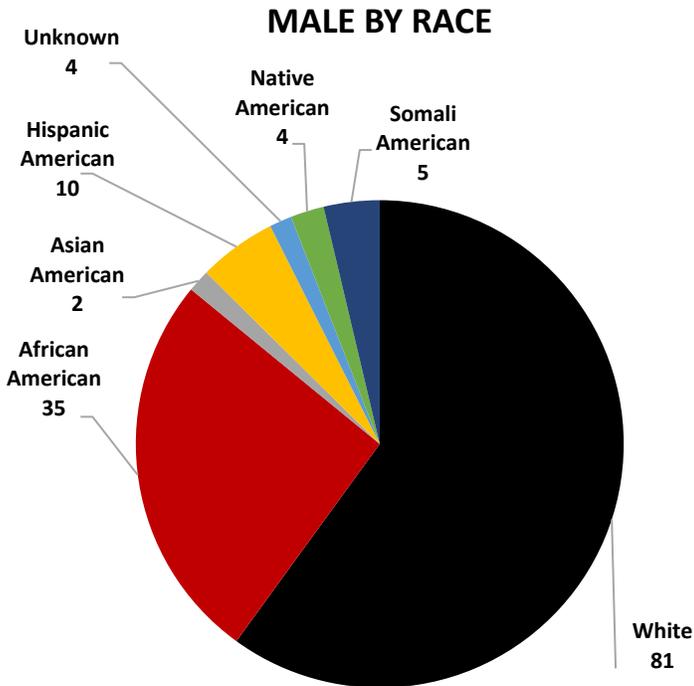
In 2021, our office generated over 28,000 public safety related calls that appeared to have some level of citizen interaction. Of those calls, our deputies used force on 128 calls. During those 128 calls where force was used, force was used on 182 different individuals. The following is a breakdown of the perceived gender and perceived race.

GENDER

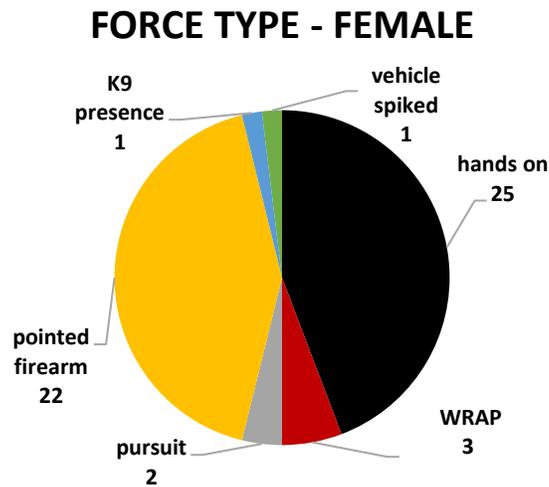


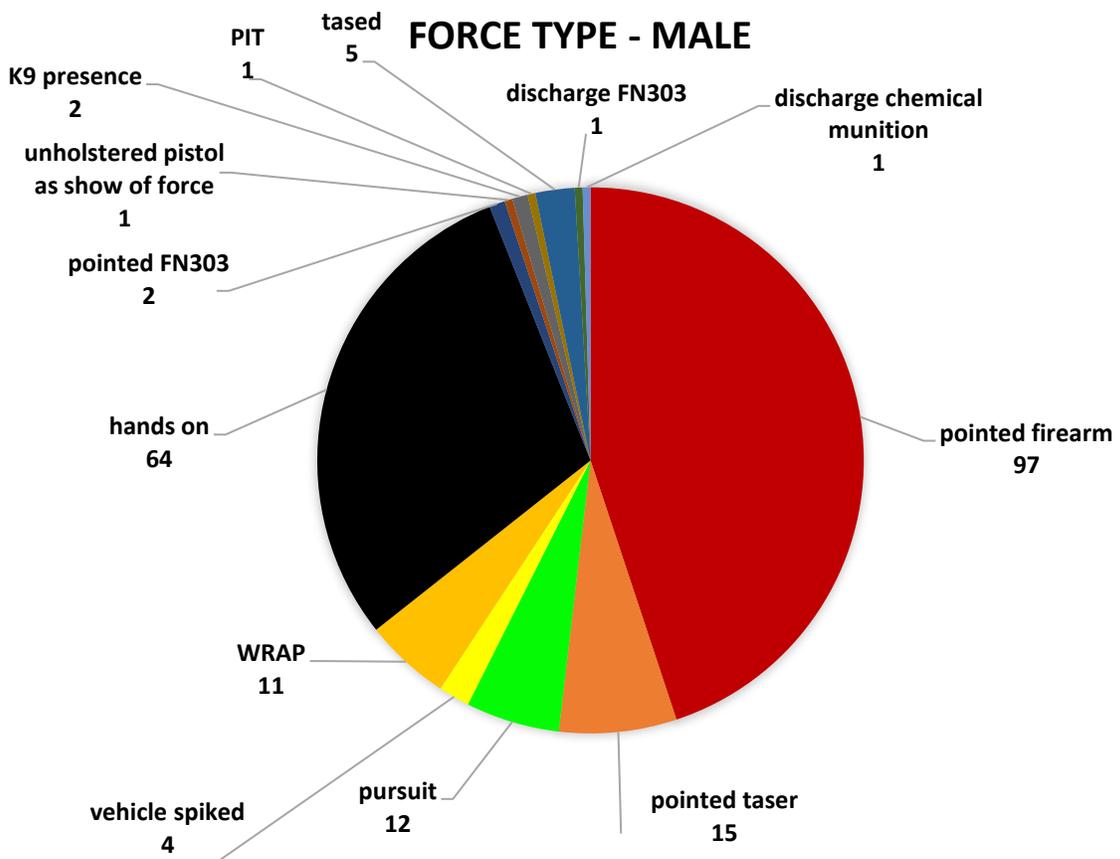
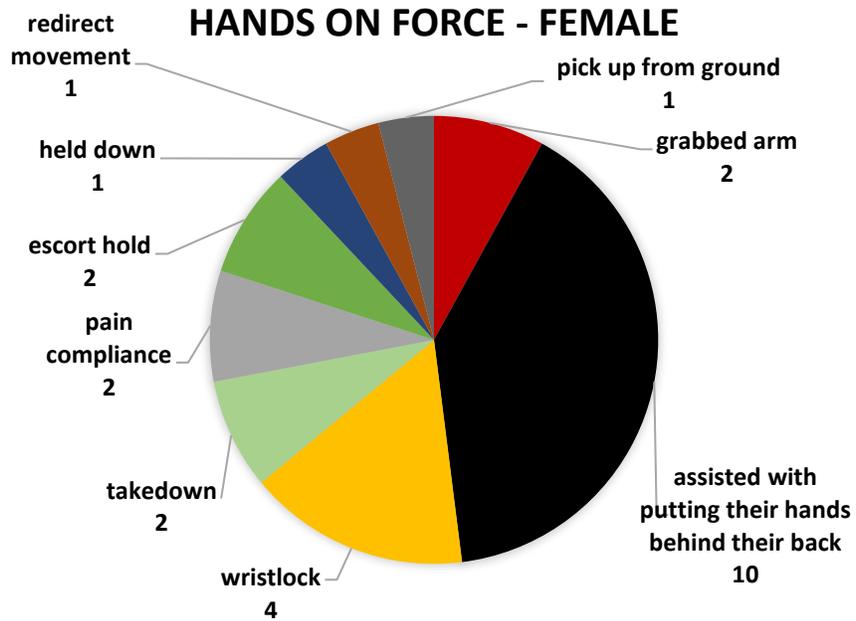
FORCE BY RACE





Use of force incidents can and often do have more than one type of force being applied due to a given situation. The following is a breakdown of the types of force applied by our patrol team members on those we serve.





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HANDS ON FORCE - MALE

