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USE OF FORCE COMPLAINTS REPORT

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POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

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PSA §3-514(b)(1)(2)

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2025 REPORT TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND

January 1 – December 31, 2025

INTRODUCTION

Public Safety Article §3-514(b)(1)(2) requires:

(1) On or before July 1, 2023, and July 1 each year thereafter, each law enforcement agency shall submit to the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission the aggregate data of police officers' use of force reported in accordance with subsection (a) of this section for the previous calendar year, aggregated by numbers of complaints administratively charged, not charged, unfounded, and exonerated.

(2) On or before July 15 each year, the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission shall post on its website and submit to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, a compendium of the information submitted by law enforcement agencies under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

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 20, 2026, agencies received an informational reporting guide and reporting link to a 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 2025:

- (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*

2025 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REPORTING

There were 157 agencies employing approximately 16,000 Commission certified police officers in 2025. However, not all of the agencies were identified as being required to comply with Public Safety Article §3-514 (b)(2) as some of the agencies have employees who are certified as law enforcement officers by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, but are not defined as law enforcement agencies under Public Safety Article §3-101(e). Additionally, several small agencies were inactive, as they were unable to staff their authorized positions. Thus, 138 agencies were required to report use of force complaints for the 2025 reporting year.

In 2025, 51 agencies reported having use of force complaints, compared to 47 agencies in 2024. The total number of use-of-force complaints received by law enforcement agencies rose to 423 in 2025, up from 284 in 2024. Other notables from the data collected include:

- ❑ The number of law enforcement agencies reporting use-of-force complaints remained steady over the three-year period, averaging 45 per year.
- ❑ The number of police officers administratively charged with use of force remained consistent across the three-year period, with 31 reported in 2025, 43 in 2024, and 42 in 2023.

Note: Due to the number of pending cases each year, it is difficult to draw any firm conclusions with the data provided.

Below is a statewide summary of use of force complaints reported by law enforcement agencies, followed by individual agency reporting of data. The data included in this report was provided by each law enforcement agency and has not been verified by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission. Questions regarding the accuracy of data should be submitted directly to the agency in question. This information will also be posted on Public Safety Education and Training Center website <https://mpctc.dpscs.maryland.gov>.

Statewide Agency Summary of Use of Force Complaints	
Agencies That Reported No Use of Force Complaints	87
Agencies Reporting Use of Force Complaints	51
Total Number of Use of Force Complaints	423
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	31
Number of complaints NOT charged	297
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	73
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	166
Number of use of force complaints pending (as of 12/31/25)	95

Three Year Summary of Use of Force Complaints	2025	2024	2023	3 Year Average
Agencies Reporting No Use of Force Complaints	87	90	96	91
Agencies Reporting Use of Force Complaints	51	47	36	45
Total Number of Use of Force Complaints	423	284	456	388
Number of Use of Force Complaints Administratively Charged	31	43	42	38
Number of Use of Force Complaints NOT Administratively Charged	297	123	266	229
Of those Cases Not Charged, Number of Complaints Unfounded (if determined)	73	34	56	54
Of those Cases Not Charged, Number of Complaints Exonerated (if determined)	166	112	79	119
Number of Pending Use of Force Complaints	95	118	148	120

Agencies with Use of Force Complaints Detailed Data

Aberdeen Police (1)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	4
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	2

Annapolis Police (5)	
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	5

Anne Arundel County Police (9)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	4
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	3
Number of use of force complaints pending	11

Baltimore City Police (11)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	14
Number of complaints NOT charged	75
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	26
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	31
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Baltimore City School Police (406)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	13
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	13
Number of use of force complaints pending	3

Baltimore County Police (13)	
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)	5
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	36
Number of use of force complaints pending	15

Bladensburg Police (25)	
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

Bowie Police Department (28)	
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

Calvert County Sheriff (308)	
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	2

Cambridge Police (33)	
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

Carroll County Sheriff's Office (312)	
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

Centreville Police (37)	
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

Charles County Sheriff (316)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	4
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	3

Colmar Manor Police (49)	
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

Coppin State University Police (53)	
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)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Crisfield Police (57)	
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

Cumberland Police (61)	
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)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

District Heights Police (67)	
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

Easton Police (69)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	25
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	25
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Edmonston Police (71)	
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

Elkton Police (73)	
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

Forest Heights Police (81)	
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)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Frederick City Police (83)	
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)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	5
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	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

Glenarden Police (93)	
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	0

Greenbelt Police (99)	
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	0

Hagerstown Police (103)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	4
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	1

Hampstead Police (105)	
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

Harford County Sheriff's Office (324)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	3
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	1

Howard County Police (111)	
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

Howard County Sheriff (326)	
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

Hyattsville Police (115)	
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

Johns Hopkins University Police (467)	
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)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Laurel Police (121)	
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

Manchester Police (127)	
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

Maryland National Capital Park Police - Prince George's County (135)	
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

Maryland State Police (141)	
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)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

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)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
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	8
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	7
Number of use of force complaints pending	6

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (330)	
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)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Ocean City Police (169)	
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)	1
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	1

Prince George's County Sheriff's Office (332)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	3
Number of complaints NOT charged	33
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	3
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	2

Prince George's County Police (181)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	3
Number of complaints NOT charged	15
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	6
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	9
Number of use of force complaints pending	26

Rockville City Police (195)	
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

Salisbury City Police (199)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	1
Number of complaints NOT charged	3
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

St. Mary's County Sheriff (338)	
Number of use of force complaints administratively charged	0
Number of complaints NOT charged	9
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints unfounded (if determined)	9
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	0
Number of use of force complaints pending	8

University of Maryland Baltimore County Police (223)	
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

University of Maryland Baltimore Police (221)	
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)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	7
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Washington County Sheriff (342)	
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

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)	0
Of those NOT charged, number of complaints exonerated (if determined)	1
Number of use of force complaints pending	0

Worcester County Sheriff (346)	
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