

Bolivar Police Department 2016 Resistance Control Analysis



Presented to Chief Mark Webb

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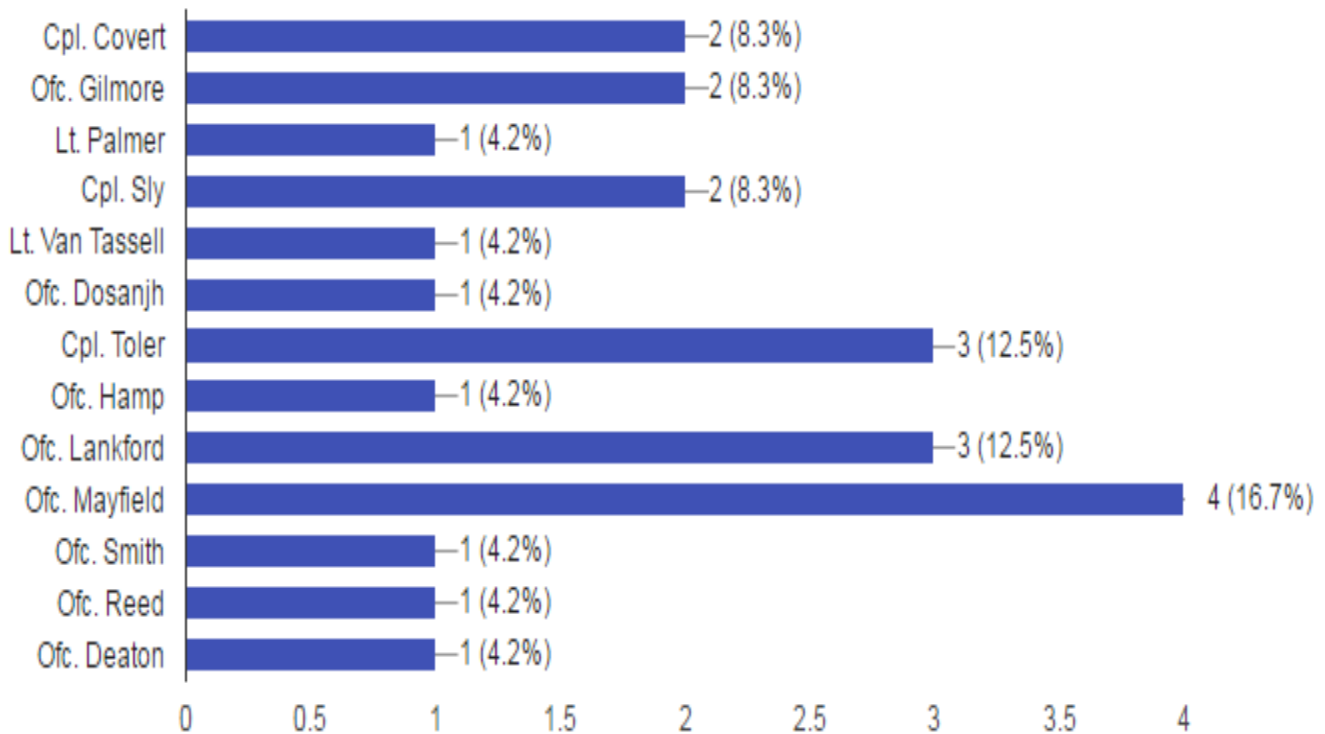
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The Bolivar Police Department (BPD) responded to 20,245 calls for service in 2016.

The Bolivar Police Department in 2016 had 22 incidents where force was utilized to control a subject, which accounted for .0010% of our calls for service. These incidents resulted in 25 individual uses of Resistance Control Forms (RCF) being completed.

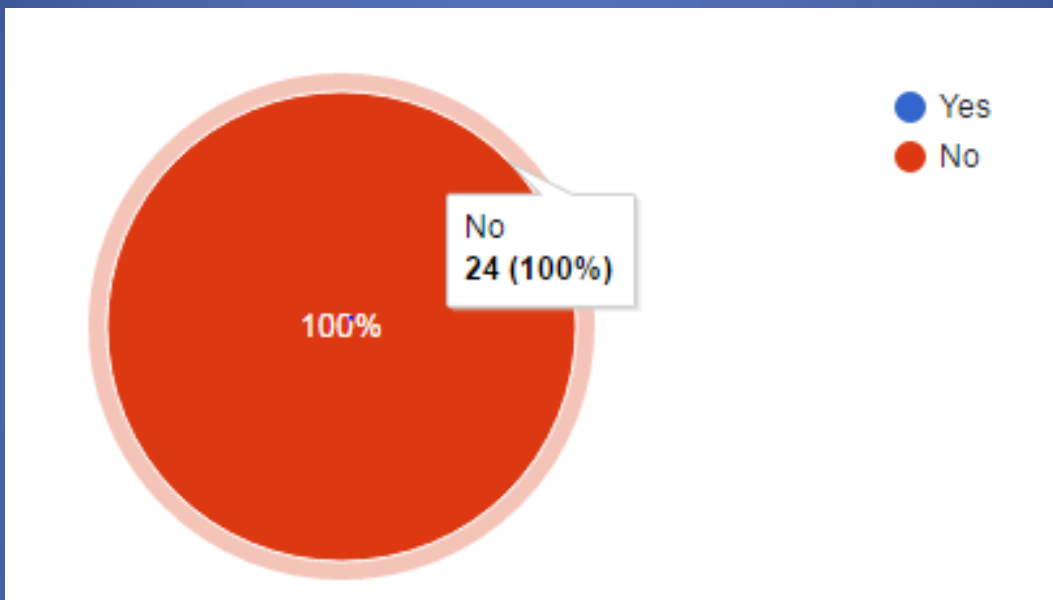
This analysis is similar to previous years. Throughout this analysis, the resistance control will be measured by Officer, injuries, race and gender, time and day of the week, call type and level of force.

Resistance Control per Officer in 2016



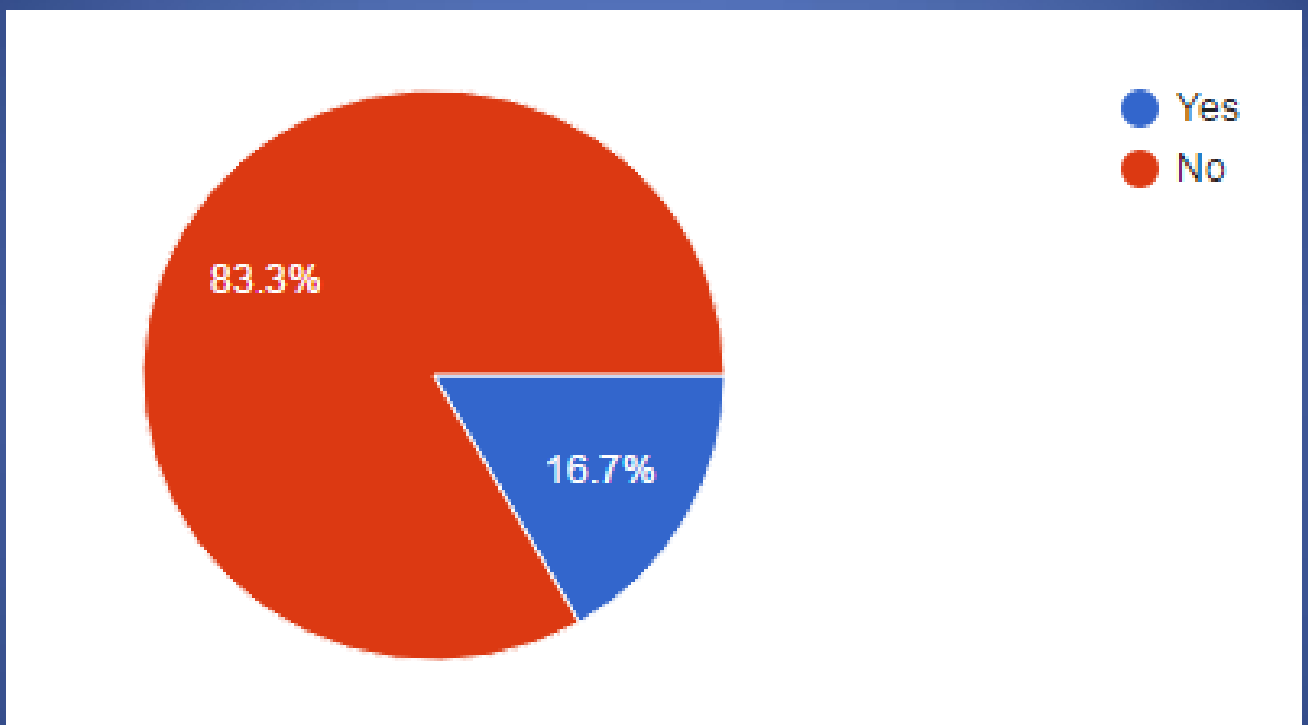
In 2016, 13 officers used resistance control measures to subdue a suspect resulting in 25 resistance control forms completed. The average use of resistance control measures per officer were 1.92.

Officer Injured 2016



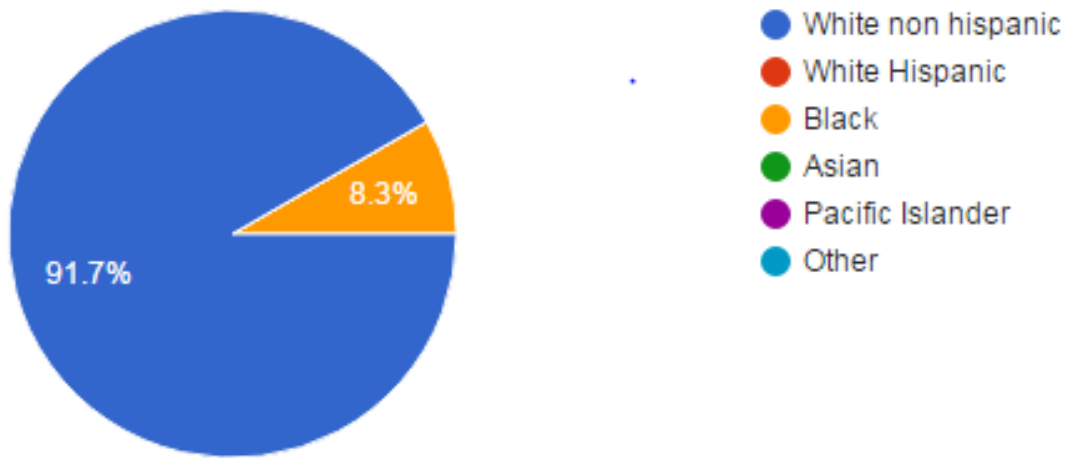
No officer injuries were reported during the use of force. Every resistance control measure was approved, effective, and necessary to control the situation.

Citizens Injured 2016



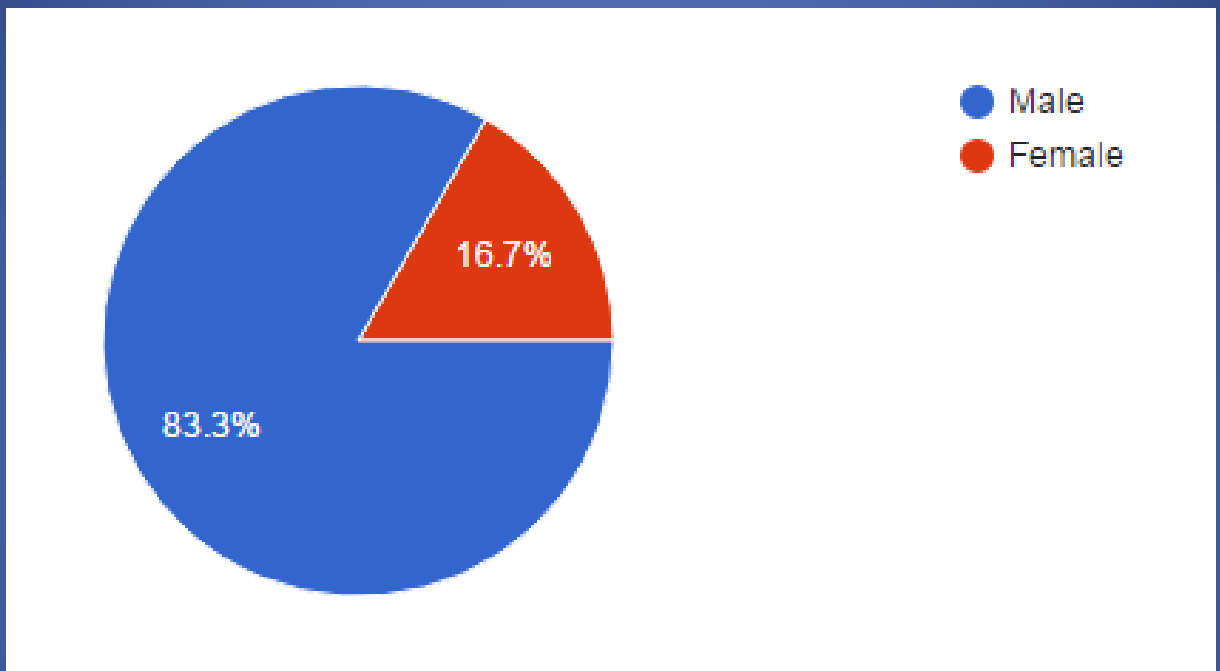
Citizen injuries in 2016 were reported at 16.7%.

Race of Citizen 2016



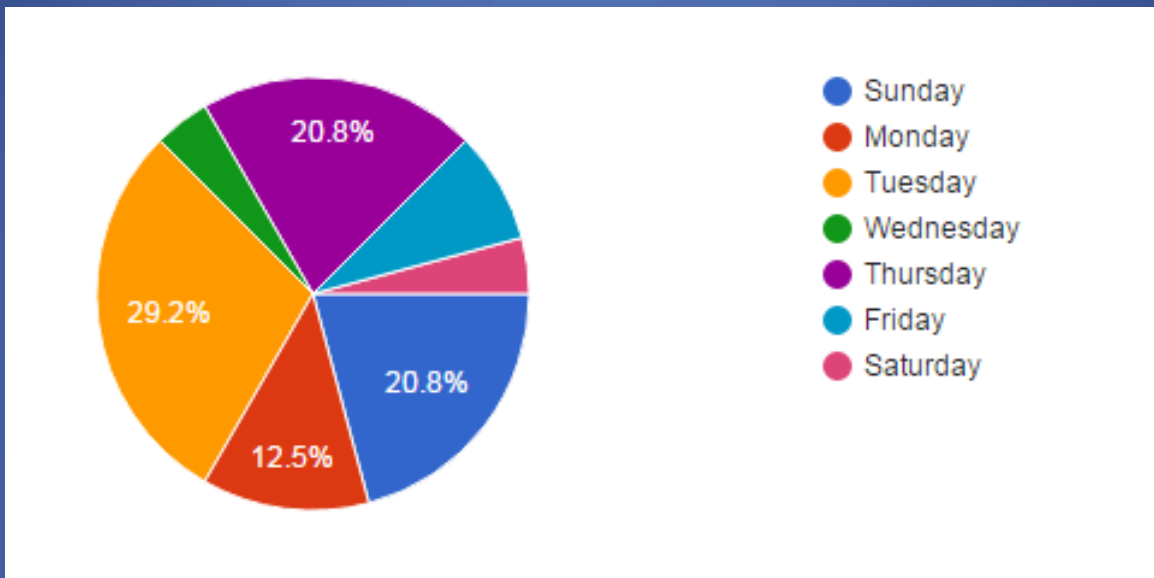
These percentages are reflective of the current demographics of the City of Bolivar as the white non-Hispanic population is 92.4%.

Gender of Citizen 2016



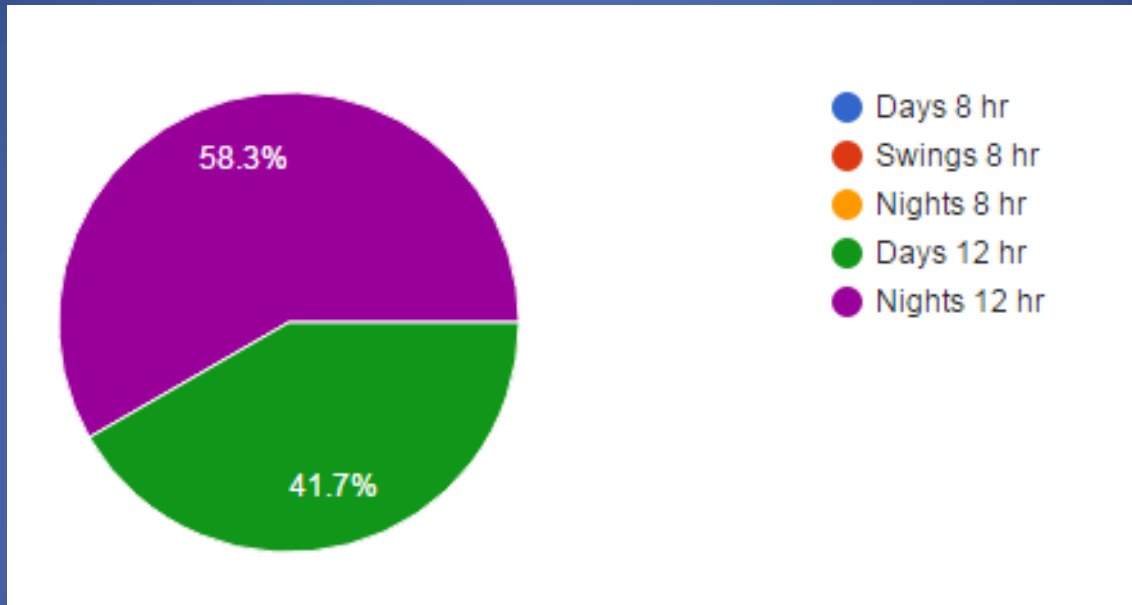
The current population of the City of Bolivar is 46.8% male and 53.2% female. The percentages of resistance control do not reflect the population but is consistent with the calls for service.

Day of the Week 2016



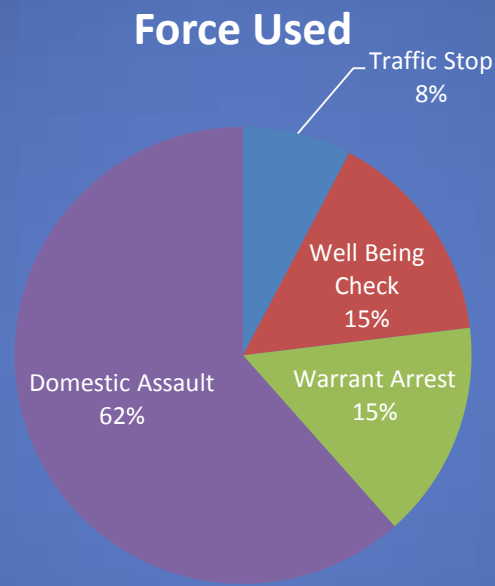
Resistance control measures are more likely to be used on Tuesdays which is consistent with higher call volumes on this day.

Time of Day 2016



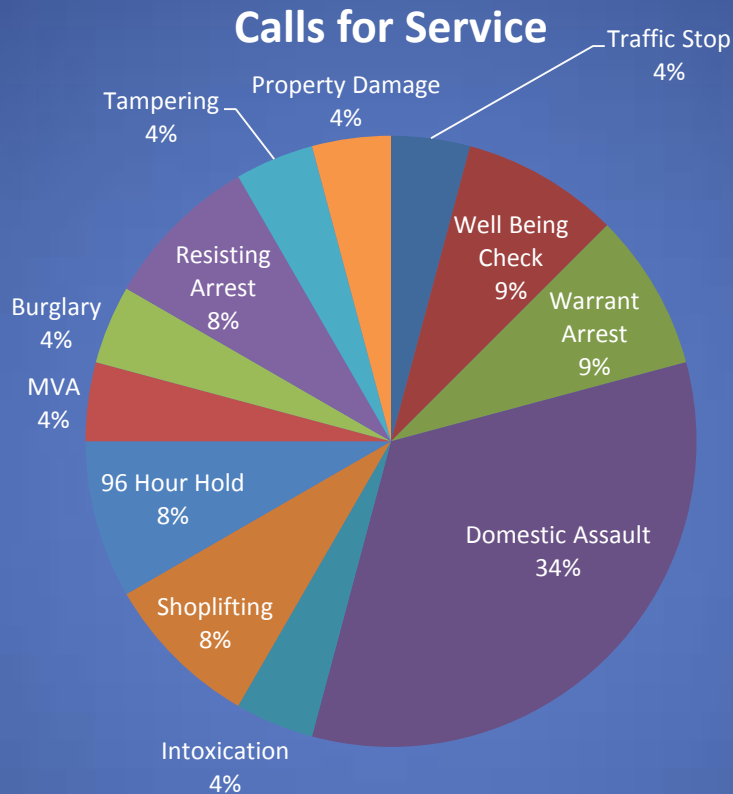
Calls for service in 2016 came primarily
in the overnight shift occurring from
6 PM-6 AM

Type of RC 2016



Physical control was the most common form of resistance control in 2016. Physical controls can be arm bars, straight arm bars, wrist locks, etc.

Type of Call for Service 2016



Calls for service regarding assault, to include assault on a law enforcement officer, and domestic violence resulted in the highest resistance control measures being used. Other calls included: resisting arrest, 96 hour hold, well being checks, burglary, and theft.

Use of Force Investigations and Reporting

Investigation and reporting guidelines recently established by the courts is reflected in how the Bolivar Police Department investigated and reported use of force incidents starting in 2016.



Conclusion

- Use of Force (Resistance Control) is the physical effort to compel compliance by an unwilling subject above un-resisted handcuffing including pointing a firearm at a person. In each incident in this report the resistance control measure has been approved, effective, and necessary.
- Future consideration should be given to revising the resistance control form to more accurately reflect incidents when force is required. This should include: only the officer inflicting injuries reporting those injuries on their form and reinstating pointing a firearm as a resistance control measure on the RCF.
- Scheduling of officers should better reflect higher call volumes to ensure even police presence to minimize the need for resistance control measures.
- Annual reports should be available upon request to the citizens of Bolivar to ensure transparency in policing activities.



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