

City of London Corporation Committee Report

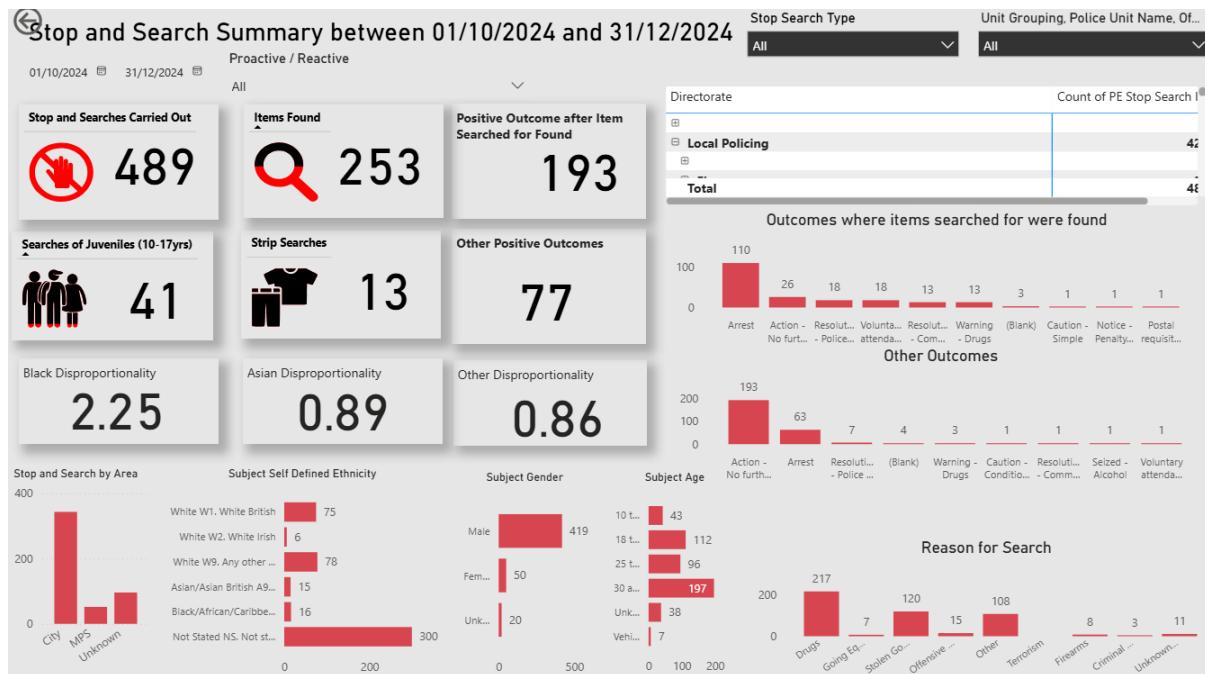
Committee(s): Professionalism and Trust Committee - For information	Dated: 02/02/2026
Subject: Stop & Search and Use of Force Quarter 3 Update and 2024/2025 Annual Comparisons	Public report: For Information
This proposal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • delivers Corporate Plan 2024-29 outcomes • provides statutory duties 	Diverse Engaged Communities Providing Excellent Services
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	No
Report of:	Commissioner P O'Doherty
Report author:	Supt J Wynne

Q3 has seen a reduction in stop and search as the force responds to seasonal criminality with the CoLP area. Bag and cycle thefts continue to be more prevalent at this time of the year as well as licensed premises thefts/crime. CoLP ran Operation Tinsel to provide a safer City in the winter season and the full crime statistics are not yet published but are suspected to be favourable.

Operations continue in support of Pan London demonstrations as the political situation remains fluid globally. Significant numbers of officers were deployed to Notting Hill carnival at the intervention points which has also increased our stop search figures for the previous quarter, this has affected the annual figures with regards to disproportionality of persons stopped. The figures for Notting Hill Carnival have been included in this report to provide context for the calendar year figures.

Stop and Search

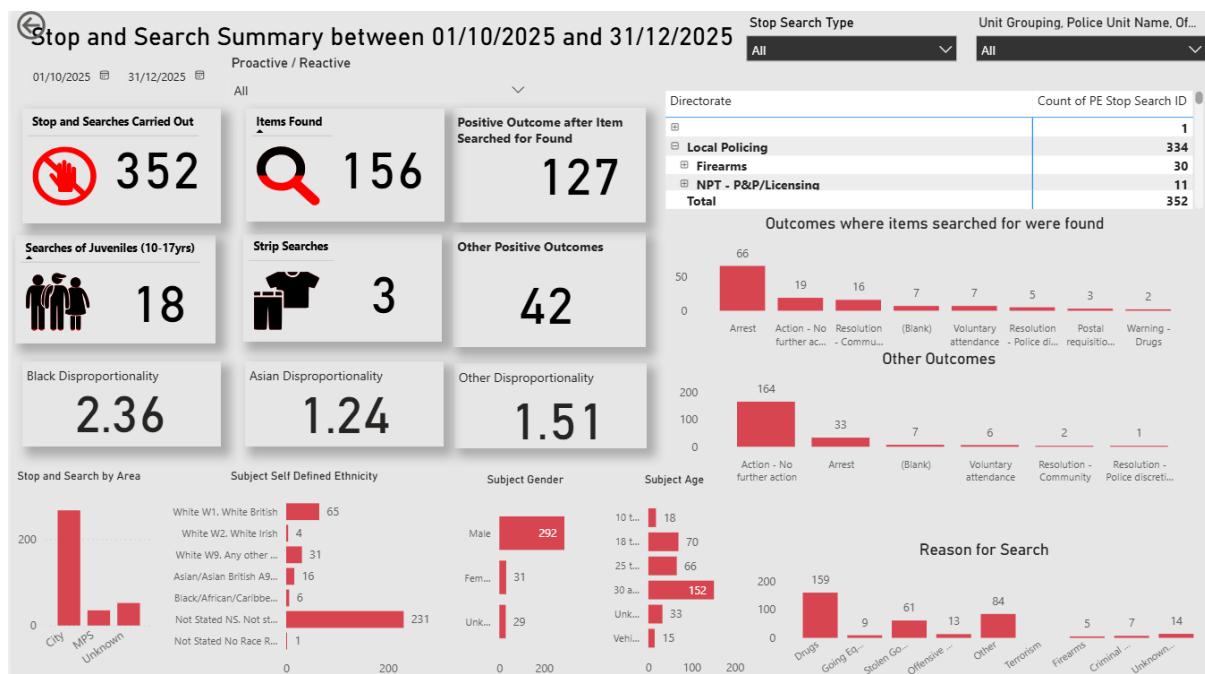
Q3 Results 2024



Stop Search Type

Unit Grouping, Police Unit Name, Of...

Q3 results 2025



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Unit Grouping, Police Unit Name, Of...

Total searches  by 137

Search involving **youth people**  by 23

Outcome rate  by 4.2% (55.2% to 48%)

Disparity rates: Black  by 0.11 Asian  by 0.35 Other  by 0.6

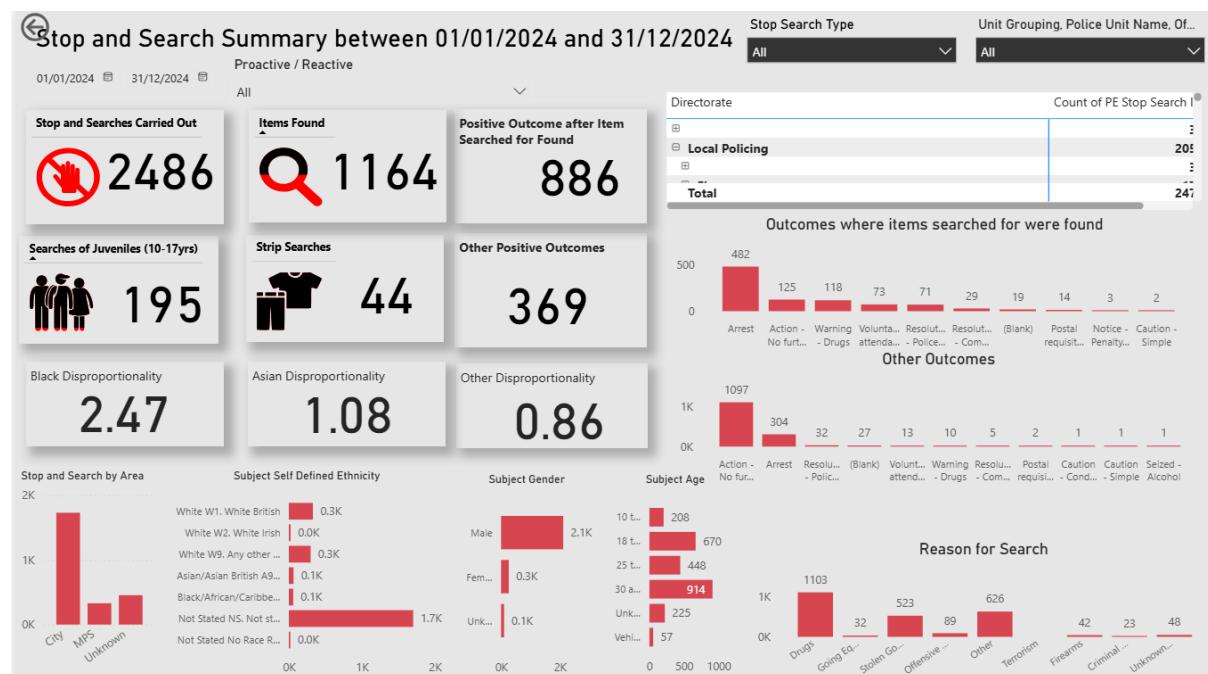
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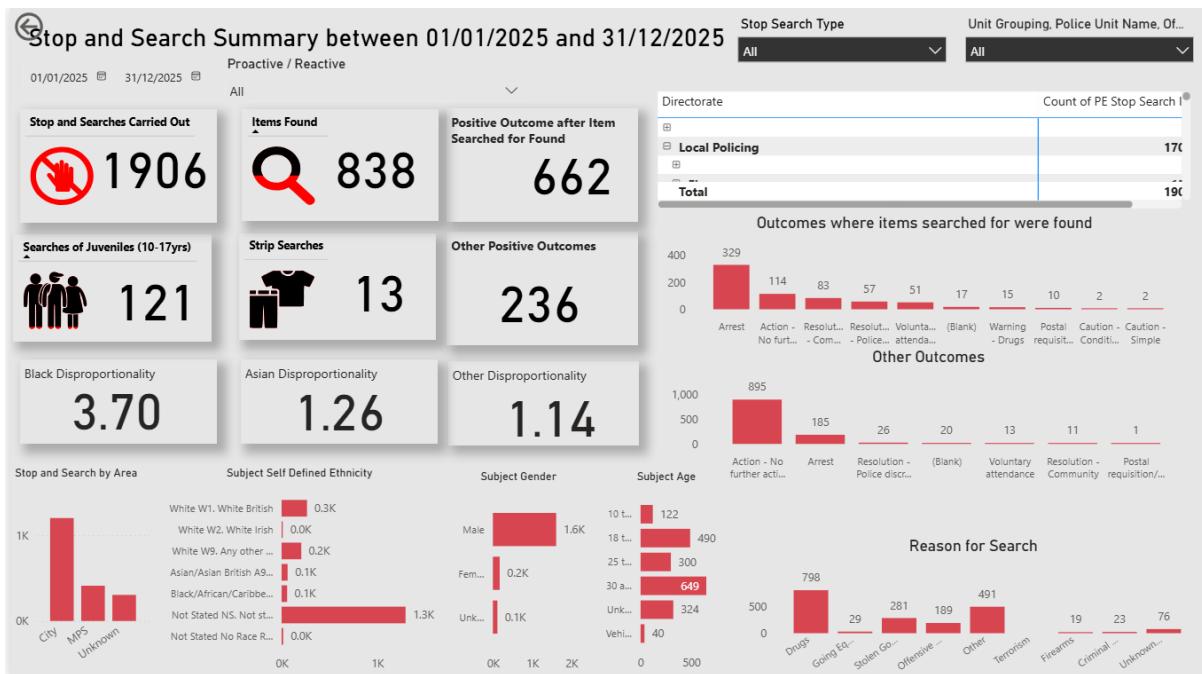
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2024 – 2025 comparisons

2024



2025



Total searches by 580

Searches involving youth people by 74

Outcome rates by 3.4% (from 50.5 to 47.1%)

Disparity rates: Black by 1.23 Asian by 0.18 Other by 0.28

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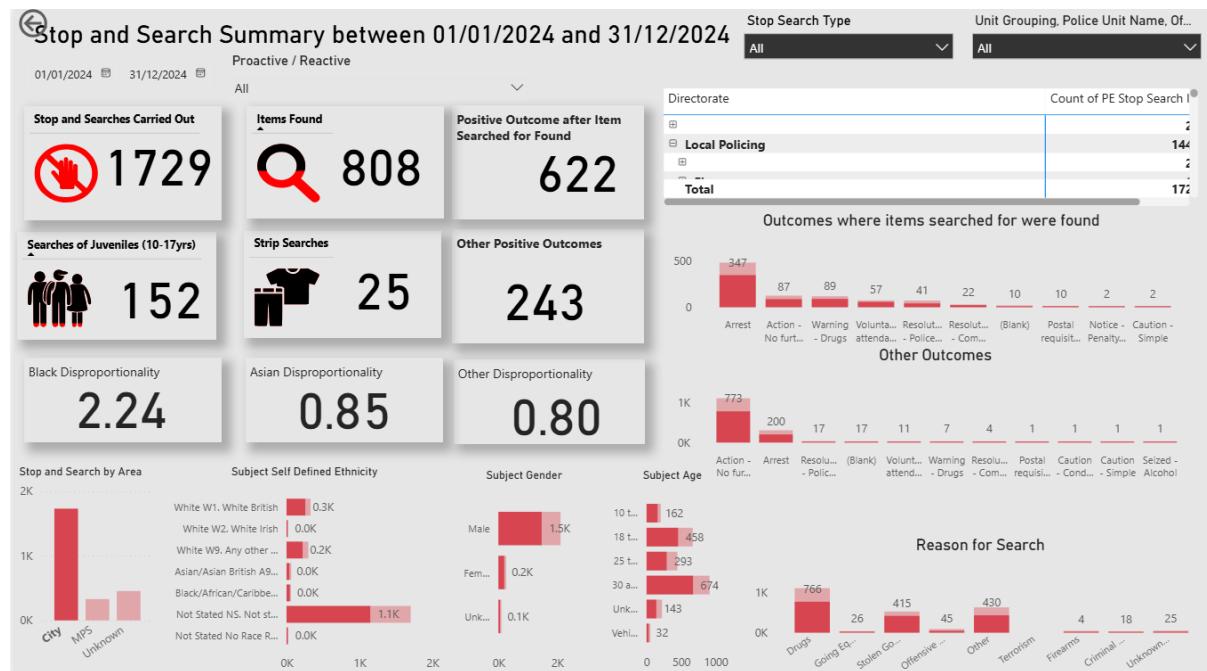
Summary: As seen with the quarterly trends, stop and search numbers continue to fall. However, outcomes rates are only marginally down and still in the 50% region. As a real positive, CoLP continues to search far less young people.

The increase in disproportionality would invite questions regarding the rises, particularly in those that are searched and identified as being black. This is largely down to CoLP assistance at the Notting Hill Carnival where CoLP officers searched 250 persons on the 24th and 25th of August 2025. Those that were stopped and searched were predominantly identified as black, almost all searches were under a Section 60 authorised by the Metropolitan Police.

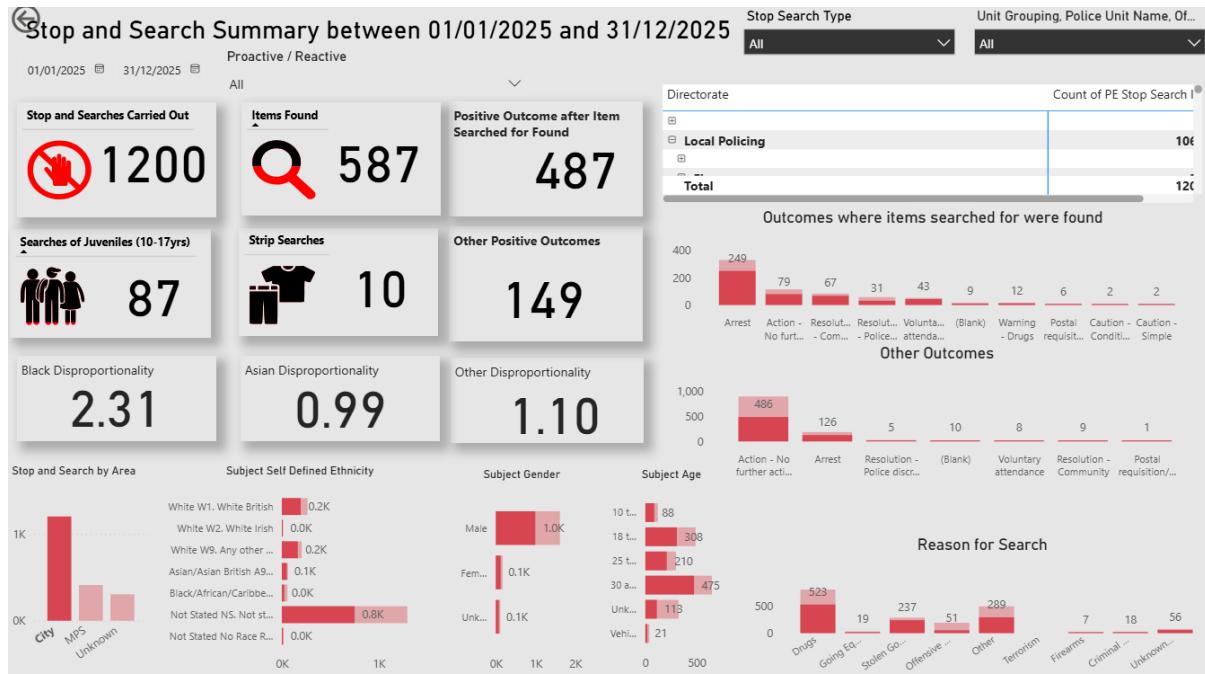
CoLP has looked at the overall figures as it should do following the authorisation of a Section 60. This was part of an incredibly successful operation resulting in the seizure of a number of weapons – more importantly no lives lost at this years event compared to 3 the previous year. This was a strategic decision on tactics used and is Metropolitan Police driven.

Stop and Search within the City only

2024



2025



As a comparator – the overall figures above have removed all of the searches outside the City of London, including the Notting Hill Carnival figures.

Total searches by 529

Searches involving **youth people** by 65

Outcome rates by 3.1% (49.9 to 53%)

Disparity rates: Black by 0.7 Asian by 0.14 Other by 0.30

Disparity rates up by very slight margins.

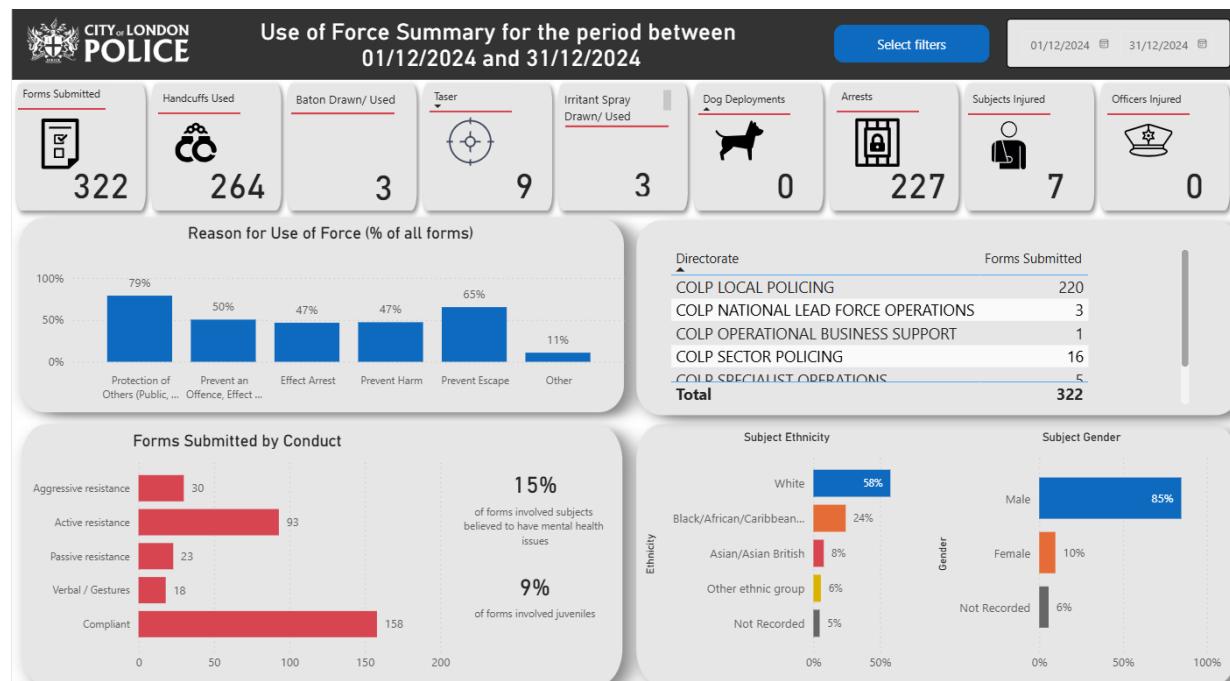
Use of Force

Data issue – coding issues has meant that December 2025 Ude of Force figures are unavailable. The figures for December 2025 have been manually counted:

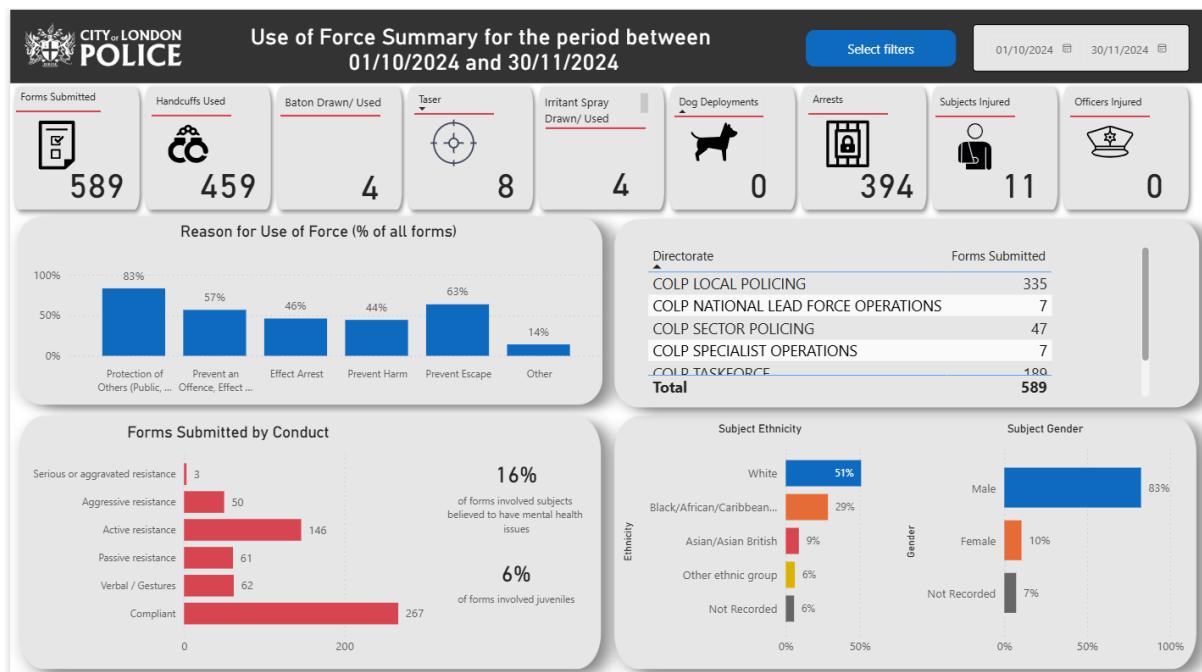
December 2025

<u>Use of Force Summary</u>	<u>Count - Dec 2025</u>
Forms Submitted	242
Handcuffs Used	168
Baton Drawn/Used	3
Taser Dec 2025	3
Irritant Spray Drawn / Used	3
Dog Deployments	0
Arrests	160
Subjects Injured	2
Officers Injured	4

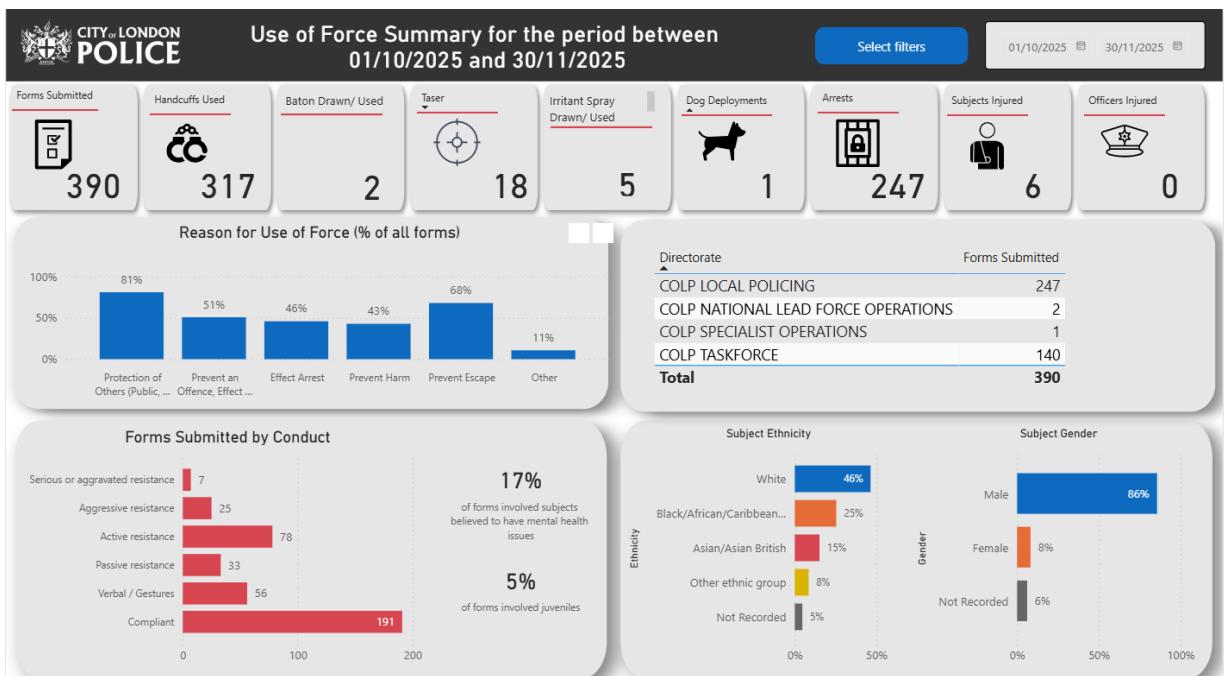
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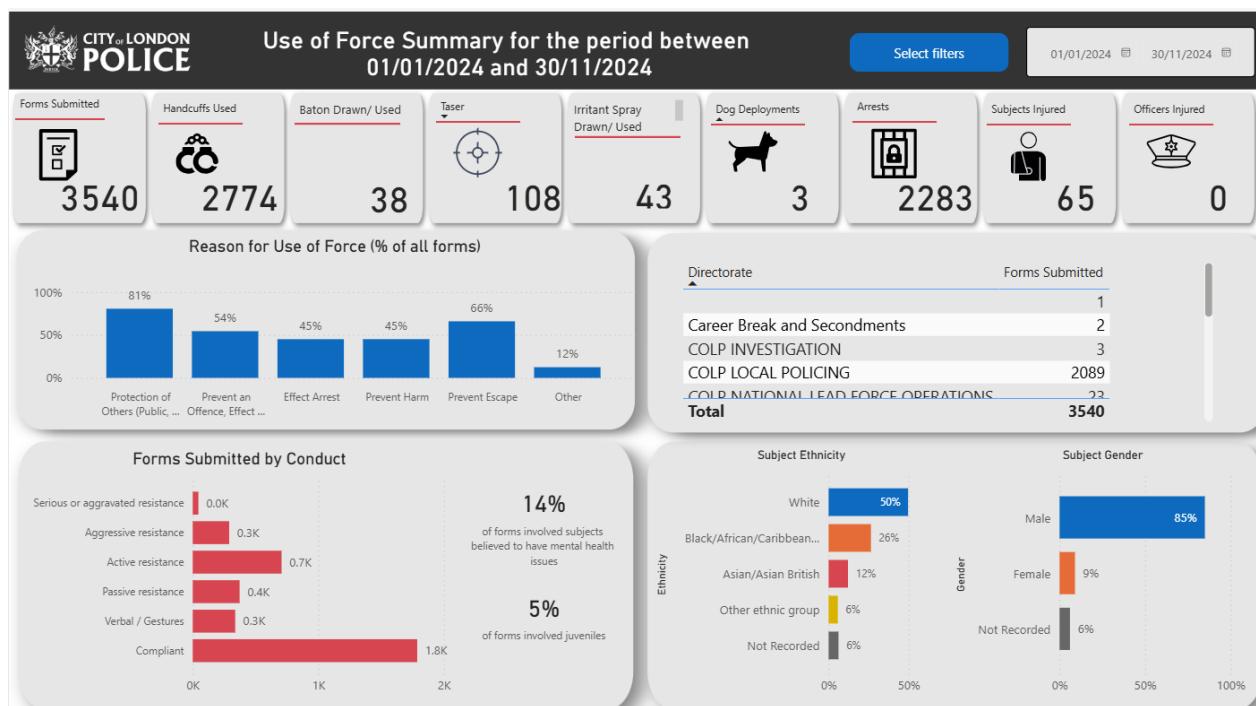
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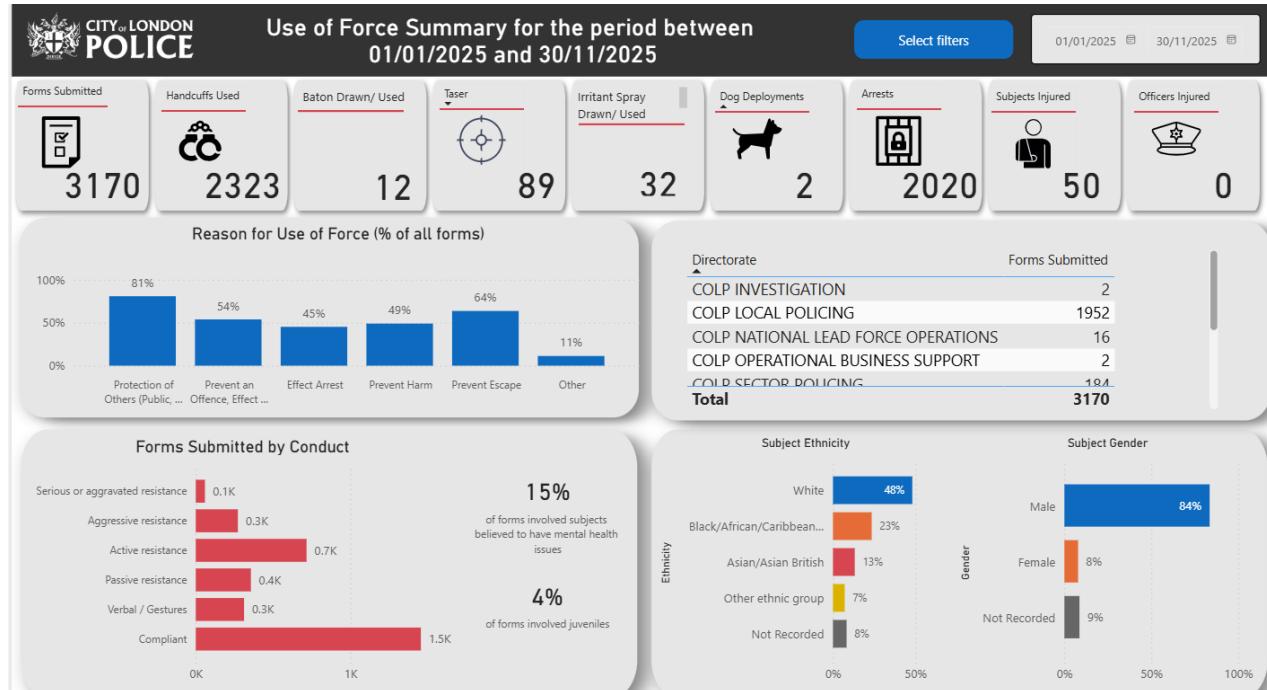
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Jan – Nov 2024



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Use of Force Disproportionality 2024



Use of Force Disproportionality 2025

