



PPB Force Data Summary Report

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Covering Dates: October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

Total Force Data Collection Reports Written: 220

Total Force Incidents: 157

Precinct / Division / Unit of Occurrence:					Total	220
Central Precinct	55	25%	Family Services	0	0%	
East Precinct	91	41%	Outside Portland	0	0%	
North Precinct	54	25%	TOD	10	5%	
K9	1	0%	Traffic	1	0%	
Detectives	1	0%	Transit	6	3%	
DVD	1	0%	Youth Services Division	0	0%	

Type of Force Used:					Total	254
Holds with injury	8	3%	Bean Bag	4	2%	
Takedowns	89	35%	K9	1	0%	
Hands / Feet	32	13%	Baton	5	2%	
Pepper Spray	9	4%	Taser	16	6%	
Maximum Restraint	9	4%	Pointing Firearm	81	32%	

Other Elements Tracked:			
Taser over 2 cycles	3	Transients	49
Pointing firearm with other force	9	ME issues flagged	24
Number of persons who had a firearm pointed at them	75	Force without custody	26

Discussion Points / Trends:

Calls for service

	Dispatched:	Self-Initiated:	Total:
October:	20,389	10,948	31,337
November:	17,596	9,566	27,162
December:	19,107	10,012	29,119

	Last Year			Last Quarter		
	Q4 2014	Q4 2013	Change +/-	Q4 2014	Q3 2014	Change +/-
FDCR Completed:	220	247	-11%	220	263	-17%
Total Force Incidents:	157	197	-20%	157	194	-19%
Total Calls for Service:	87,618	86,473	+1%	87,618	105,181	-17%

*Total force incidents refers to the count of case numbers where force was used.

The frequency with which force was used during the fourth quarter of 2014 followed the downward trend for the year as a whole. The specific force options selected by members can rise or fall from quarter to quarter. This is because the response by members is largely dictated by the actions of the people they interact with. When faced with lower levels of resistance, members consistently selected force options that were lower than the maximum allowed by law. As the amount or intensity of resistance increased, members appropriately used higher levels of force. Members consistently decreased their use of force when the amount of resistance decreased.

Members consistently obtained appropriate medical attention for those persons against whom force was used at the earliest opportunity. Supervisors were consistently notified when force was used and responded to the scene to conduct a force investigation. The After Action Reports that document the use of force investigation were routinely completed by the investigating supervisor within 72 hours and completed the chain of command review within 21 days. When reporting delays occurred, the reason for the delay was documented in the report along with any corrective action taken. The delays, usually caused by the time it took to obtain video evidence from third party sources, did not delay the collection and documentation of witness or involved member statements.

As calls for service fell about 22% from the level of the previous quarter, there was a corresponding drop in the number of custodies and the number of force incidents.

High percentage increases or decreases from one quarter to the next can be an indication of a problem or can be a statistical anomaly. For example, a 100% increase or decrease, on its face, is a dramatic change. However, if that 100% change represents a deviation from one event to two or from one to zero, the statistical significance can be difficult to prove. The calls for service and custody data are included to provide context to the raw data numbers in this report.

There were no cases of deadly physical force during this reporting period.

Force Report Definitions

PPB Force Data Summary Report:

- *Total Force Data Collection Reports Written:*

This is the number of force reports written during the time period listed, regardless of whether multiple reports were written by different officers concerning the same incident. This number is simply the total number of force reports entered into our database by PPB Records Division.

- *Type of Force Used:*

This is the number of the total reported uses of each type of force during the time period listed. The Force Data Collection Report the officers file after an incident include check boxes for the “Force Option Used.” This number is larger than the total number of force reports written because during any single incident more than one force option may have been used by one or more officers. Further, whenever multiple reports indicate the same force was used in an incident against the same subject, that type of force will be counted multiple times. For example, if Officer A and Officer B check the “Control Holds Causing Injury” box on their force reports for the same incident, there will be two counts of “holds causing injury.” This differs from, and is greater than, the same type of force listed in the demographics report. The reason for this is that the demographics report counts only the number of persons who were the subject of force, regardless of whether the type of force was used by more than one officer during the same incident.