



# FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Use of Force Analytical Summary

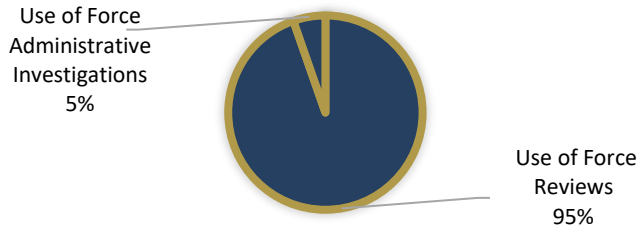
### 2021 Annual Use of Force Summary

This summary analyzes the FCPD Use of force in 2021. For comparison, data from 2020 is included.

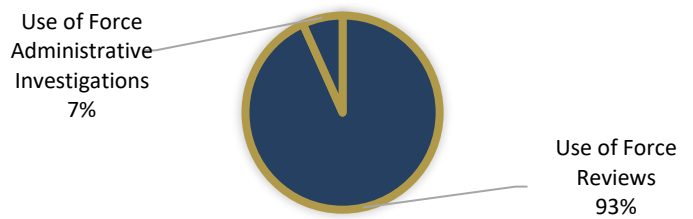
Use of Force Investigations/Reviews and Outcomes	2020	2021
Administrative Investigation with Sustained Violations	0	1
Administrative Investigation with In Compliance Outcome	27	33
Use of Force Review	478	474
<b>Total</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>508</b>

*NOTE: Use of Force Reviews are required by policy when incidents occur involving less-lethal uses of force with non-serious injuries. Administrative Investigations are required by policy when incidents occur involving the use of deadly force, serious injury, or an external use of force complaint. Definitions and procedures for use of force documentation and administrative investigations can be found in [General Order 540, Use of Force](#) and [General Order 301, Internal Investigations](#).*

2020 Investigations and Reviews



2021 Investigations and Reviews



### 2021 Use of Force Incidents and Individual Contacts

Year	Number of Use of Force Incidents	Number of Call for Service	Percent of Use of Force Incidents from Call for service
2020	505	381,407	0.13%
2021	508	400,920	0.13%

*Fairfax County Police Department's Calls for Service may be generated by community member calls or self-initiation on the part of the officer. Calls for Service captured in this report include all dispositions. Complete statistical information on agency activities is available on the Fairfax County Police Department Chief's Page under [FC Pod Police Crime Statistics Sharing Site](#).*

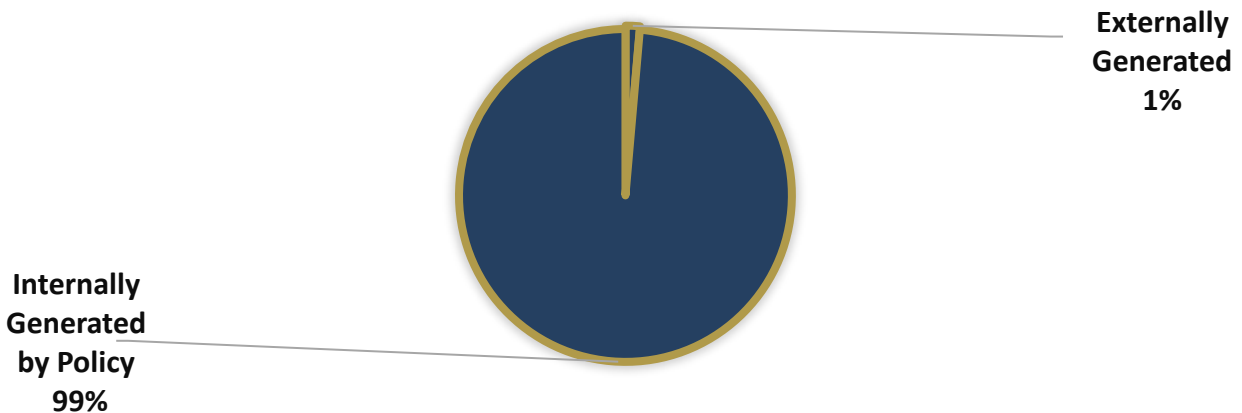


## 2021 Use of Force Incidents by Officer Assignment

Officer Assignment	2020 Use of Force Incidents	2021 Use of Force Incidents
Animal Services Division	0	1
Special Investigations Division	3	2
Crisis Intervention Team	6	5
Fair Oaks District Station	35	33
Franconia District Station	54	75
Major Crimes Division	1	8
Mason District Station	86	74
McLean District Station	70	83
Mount Vernon District Station	55	75
Organized Crime and Narcotics Division	35	39
Reston District Station	30	21
School Resource Officers	2	0
Special Operations Division	27	24
Sully District Station	55	30
Traffic Division	12	12
West Springfield District Station	34	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>508</b>

## 2021 Use of Force Incidents Reported

Type of Report	2020	2021
External Generated Report	7	7
Internal by Policy Generated Report	498	501
<b>Total Incidents Reported</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>508</b>



## Use of Force Incidents by Call for Service

Calls for Service Reported as	Use of Force Incidents
Accident	4
Alarm Call	3
Assault	19
Assault with Weapon	5
Barricade	4
Brandishing	2
Burglary	9
Community Foot Patrol	3
Disorderly Conduct	30
Destruction to Property	4
Domestic Dispute	37
Drug Overdose	4
Drunk in Public	18
DWI	15
Fight	8
Forgery	1
Juvenile Case	1
Larceny	32
Mental Health Crisis	31
Missile into Vehicle	1
Missing Person	2
Narcotics	52
Noise Violation	1
Officer in Immediate Danger	1
Property Damage	2
Public Service	20
Robbery	10
Sexual Offense	3
Stolen Vehicle	33
Subject Stop	3
Suicidal Person	10
Suspicious Event	6
Suspicious Person	31
Suspicious Vehicle	7
Traffic Pursuit	13
Traffic Stop	25
Trespassing	9
Unknown Situation	2
Unlawful Entry	4
Vehicle Tampering	1
Wanted Subject	1
Warrant Service	10
Weapons Discharge	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>508</b>

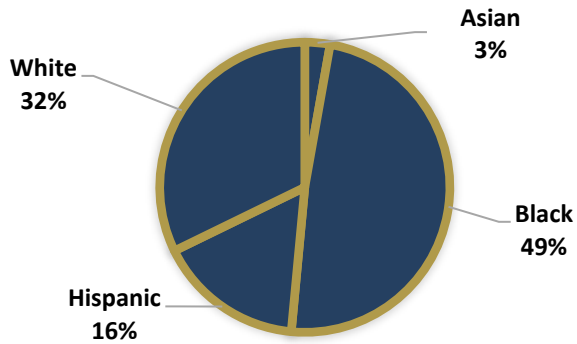


## 2021 Use of Force Demographics by Residency

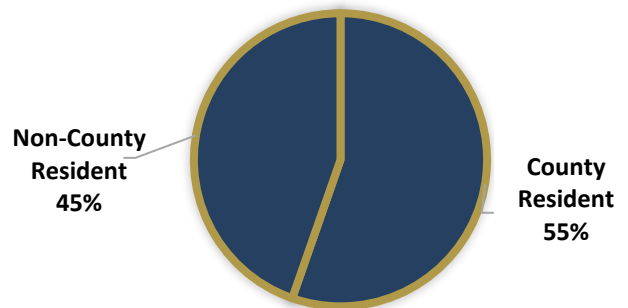
Demographics	Fairfax County Resident		Non-Fairfax County Resident		Total	Percent
	Female	Male	Female	Male		
Asian	4	6	1	5	16	2.80%
Black	22	92	30	134	278	48.69%
Hispanic	9	61	0	23	93	16.29%
White	26	96	17	45	184	32.22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

*NOTE: More than one individual may be involved in a use of force incident, resulting in a higher number of involved individuals than actual incidents.*

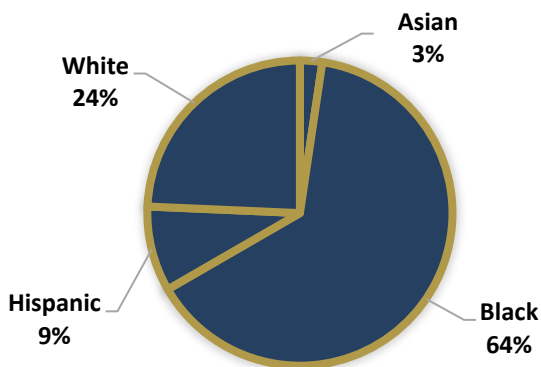
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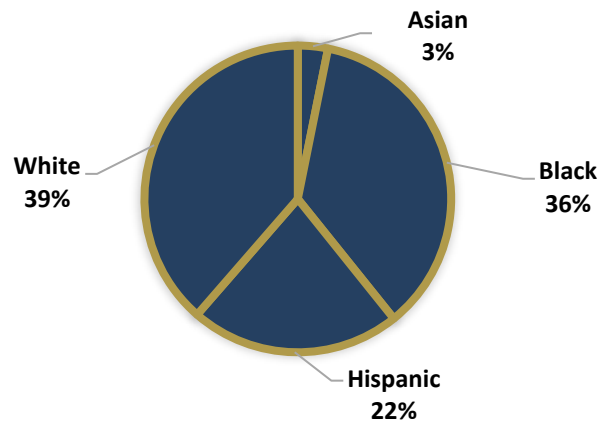
**County Resident vs. Non-County Resident**



**Non-County Resident**

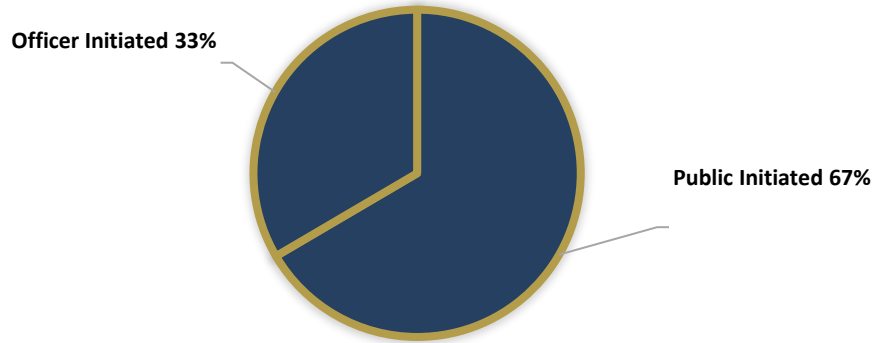


**County Resident**



## 2021 Use of Force by Contact Type

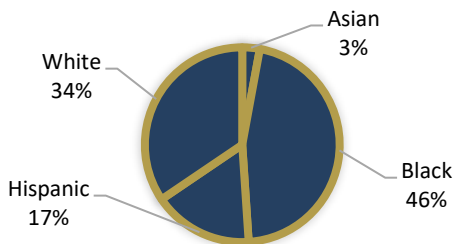
Contact Initiated By	Grand Total	Percent
<b>Dispatched/Requested By Community Member</b>	380	<b>67%</b>
<b>Officer Self-Initiated</b>	191	<b>33%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>100%</b>



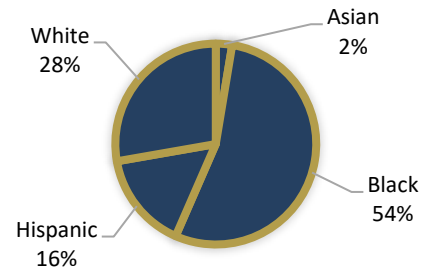
### Use Of Force Demographics by Officer Contact

Contact Initiated By	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Grand Total
<b>Community Member Initiated</b>	11	175	63	131	<b>380</b>
<b>Officer Self-Initiated</b>	5	103	30	53	<b>191</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>571</b>

**Public Initiated**



**Officer Initiated**



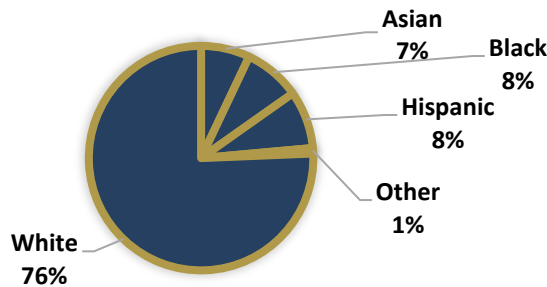
*Note: Community Member initiated contacts are calls for service that are dispatched through the Fairfax County Department of Public Safety Communications. Officer initiated contacts are self-dispatched by officers when observing a criminal act, conducting a traffic or subject stop, responding to stolen vehicle alerts, or when involved in planned events such as narcotics operations or warrant services. More than one individual may be involved in a Use of force incident resulting in a higher number of involved individuals than actual.*



## Officers Involved in Use of Force Incidents

Officer	Female	Male	Total	Percent
Asian	8	73	81	7.04%
Black	14	80	94	8.18%
Hispanic	13	83	96	8.35%
Other	1	8	9	0.78%
White	97	773	870	75.65%
<b>Total</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>1,017</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

NOTE: A use of force incident will often involve multiple officers, therefore, the number of involved officers will not be equal to the number of incidents.



### FCPD Sworn Officer Demographics

Race/Ethnicity	Male	Female	Total	Percent
Asian and Pacific Islander	70	8	78	5.73%
Black	95	20	115	8.44%
Hispanic/Latino	75	27	102	7.49%
Other	11	3	14	1.03%
White	876	177	1,053	77.31%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>100%</b>

### FCPD Sworn Officer Demographics by Gender

Gender	Total	Percent
Male	1,127	83%
Female	235	17%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Fairfax County Demographics

Race/Ethnicity	Persons	Percent
Asian and Pacific Islander	231,253	19.80%
Black	110,797	9.50%
Hispanic/Latino	190,025	16.20%
Other	52,900	4.50%
White	585,057	50.00%
<b>Fairfax County Total Population</b>	<b>1,170,032</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Population information was derived from the 2021 Fairfax County Department of Economic, Demographic and Statistical Research [Demographics Overview Dashboard](#). Sworn officer demographic data was provided by Fairfax County Department of Human Resources – Human Resources Information Systems.



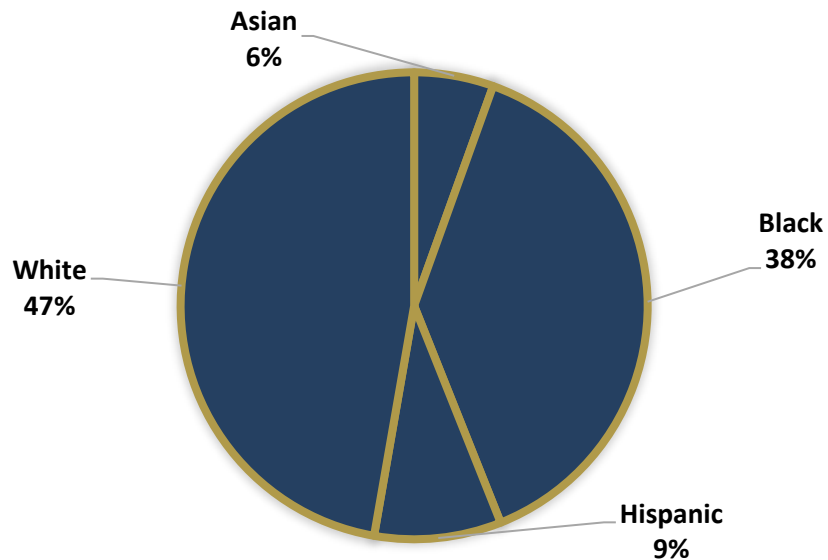
## 2021 Use of Force Incidents Involving Mental Health Crisis

<b>Calls for Service Involving a Mental Health Crisis</b>	14,715
<b>Use of Force Incidents Involving a Mental Health Crisis</b>	91
<b>Percentage of Mental Health Events Involving a Use of Force Incident</b>	0.62%

*The above data captures calls and events involving a mental health component, including but not limited to suicide attempts and suicide threats. The above statistics are also included in the overall use of force data on page 1.*

### Use of Force Demographics of Persons Involving Mental Health Crisis

Race	Female	Male	Total	Percent
<b>Asian</b>	2	3	5	6%
<b>Black</b>	10	25	35	38%
<b>Hispanic</b>	0	8	8	9%
<b>White</b>	12	31	43	47%
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>100%</b>



## 2021 Use of Force Summary by Type

Instrument or Technique	2020 Number of Uses	2021 Number of Uses
40 MM Impact Round	2	1
Baton/Expandable Baton	8	3
Bean Sock/Sponge Round	3	1
Canine	14	2
Carried Subject	13	17
Electronic Control Weapon (Taser)	42	115
Discharged Firearm	1	1
Force to Cuff	205	243
Force to Hold	237	223
Hands on Escort	113	96
Nylon Limb Immobilization System (Hobble)	99	128
Oleoresin Capsicum (Pepper Spray)	6	12
Pointed Firearm	345	372
Pressure Points	3	6
Spit Guard Applied	23	26
Strikes with Hands/Feet	45	36
Take Down	162	217
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,321</b>	<b>1,499</b>

Additional details on a discharged firearm during a use of force incident can be found in the [Officer-Involved Shooting Summary](#).

NOTE: A use of force incident will often involve more than one instrument or technique, as well as multiple officers, therefore, the number of tools and techniques used will not be equal to the number of incidents. Also note as of August 2022 documentation for Pointed Firearm, Spit Hood, Bolawrap, Limb Immobilization, vehicle stopping techniques such as tactical vehicle intercept and stop sticks was adjusted and are now documented as reportable actions in lieu of use of force .



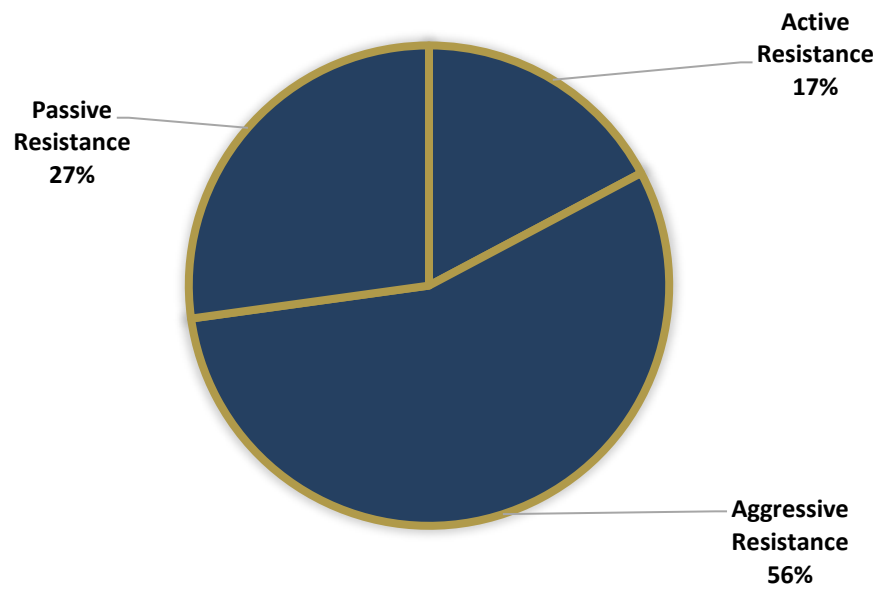


## 2021 Resistance Encountered by Officers

Resistance Type	2020	2021
Active Resistance	98	116
Aggressive Resistance	293	374
Passive Resistance	215	183
<b>Total</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>673</b>

Individuals involved in a use of force incident may use more than one action or possess more than one weapon type.

NOTE: Passive Resistance is defined in [General Order 540, Use of Force](#).



## 2021 Assault on Fairfax County Police Officers

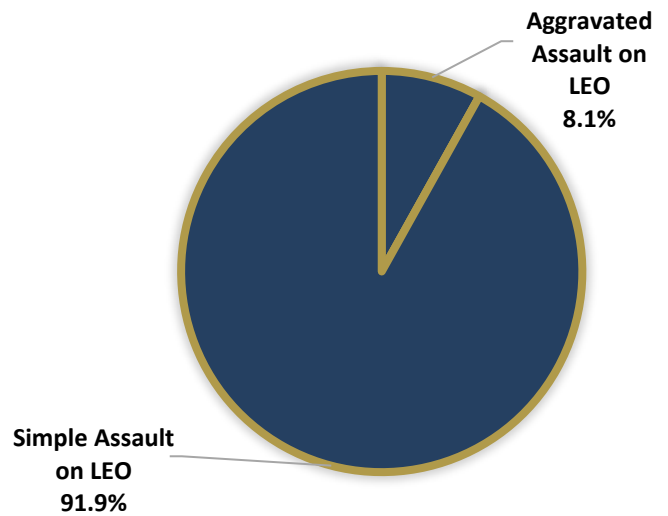
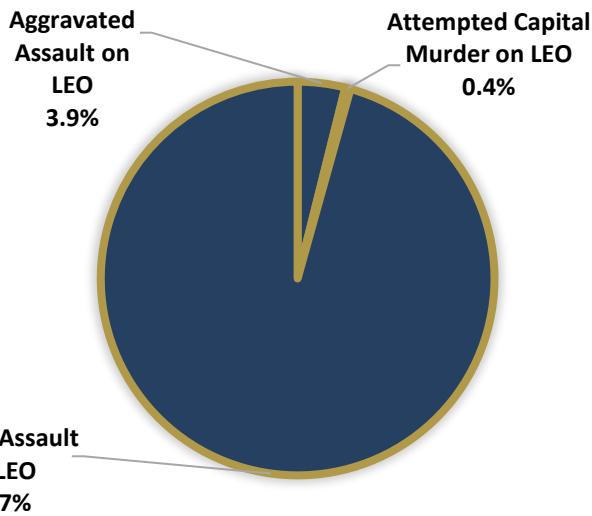
In 2021, there were 210 assaults on FCPD officers. The rate of assaults on FCPD officers in 2021 was 15.42 assaults per 100 officers. The rate of assaults on FCPD officers in 2020 was 16.37 assaults per 100 officers.

### Aggravated and Simple Assault on Fairfax County Police Officers

Incident Type	2020	2021
<b>Aggravated Assault on LEO</b>	9	17
<b>Attempted Capital Murder on LEO</b>	1	0
<b>Simple Assault on LEO</b>	221	193
<b>Total</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>210</b>

**2020 Assaults on FCPD Officers**

**2021 Assaults on FCPD Officers**

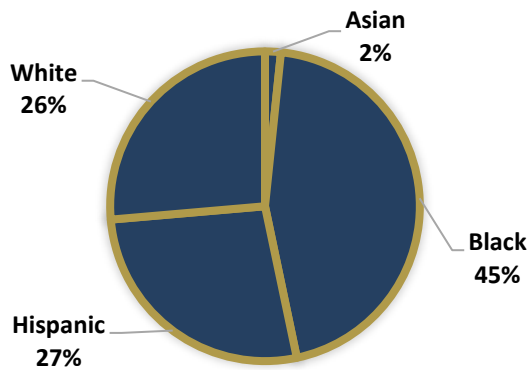


## 2021 Assault on Fairfax County Police Officers by Individual Demographics

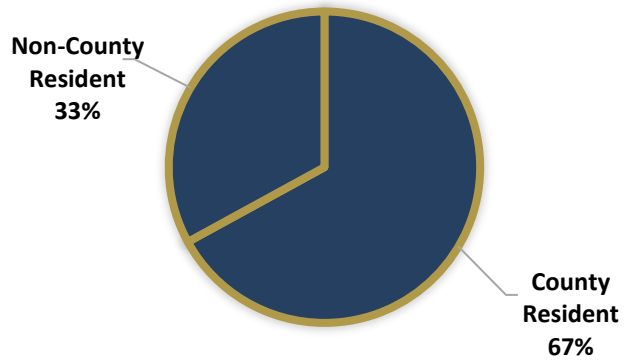
Race/Ethnicity	Fairfax County Resident		Non-Fairfax County Resident		Total
	Female	Male	Female	Male	
Asian	2	1	0	0	3
Black	18	23	10	31	82
Hispanic	18	21	0	10	49
White	14	25	4	5	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>182</b>

*More than one officer may be assaulted by an individual during an assault on LEO event, therefore, the number of assaults on Law Enforcement Officers compared to the number of involved individuals will not be equal.*

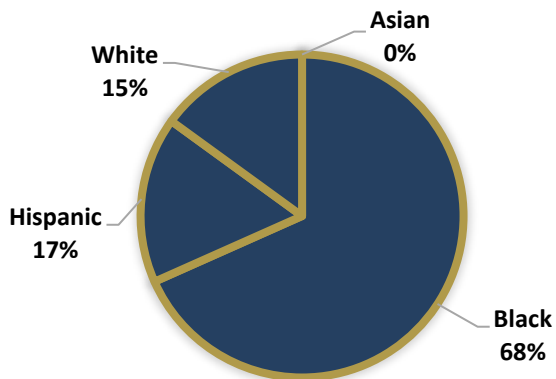
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**County Resident vs. Non-County Resident**



**Non-County Resident**



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