Framingham Police Department

Use of Force Report 2015 data



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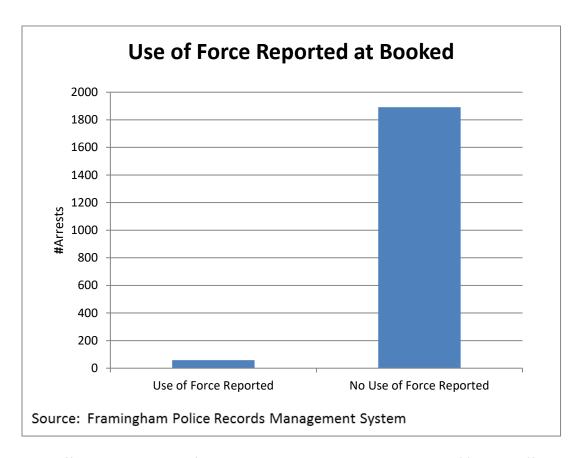
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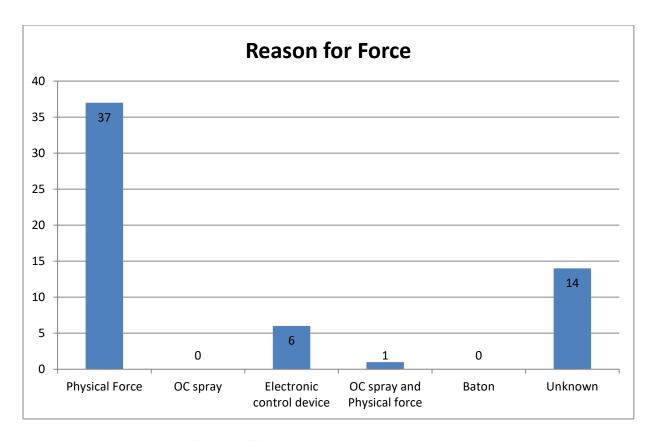
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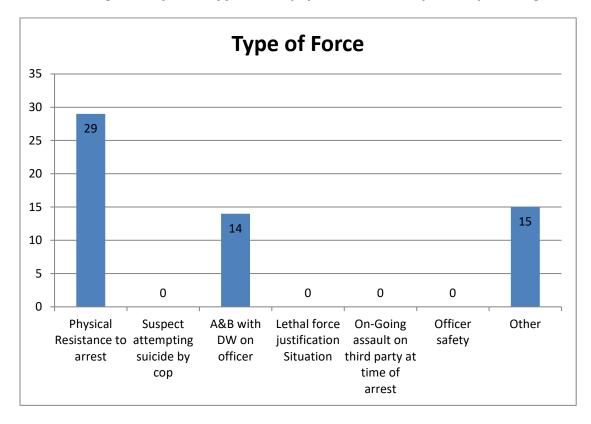
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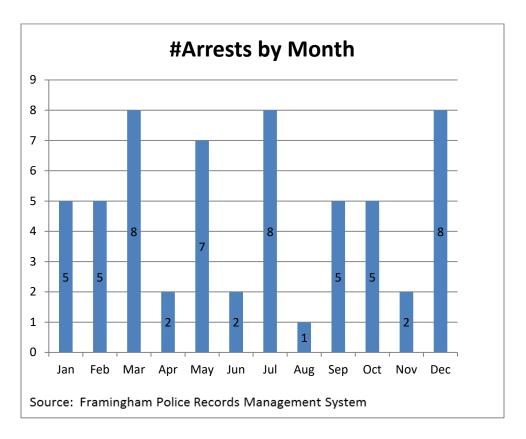
Framingham Police officers made a <u>total</u> of 1.891 arrests during 2015. Reported use of force by officers occurred in 58 of these arrests. This represents 3.07% of all arrests. Of the 58 arrests with the Use of Force box checked in the RMS, 14 do not have any mention of Force in the report. Perhaps these 14 were listed as Use of Force in error. These 14 arrests are in subsequent graphs under NO FORCE LISTED or UNKNOWN. Correcting for these 14 arrests likely listed in error brings the use of force to 2.32%



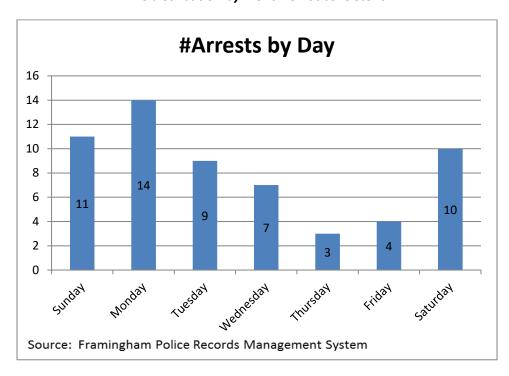
The overwhelming reason for use of force was physical resistance by the subject being arrested.



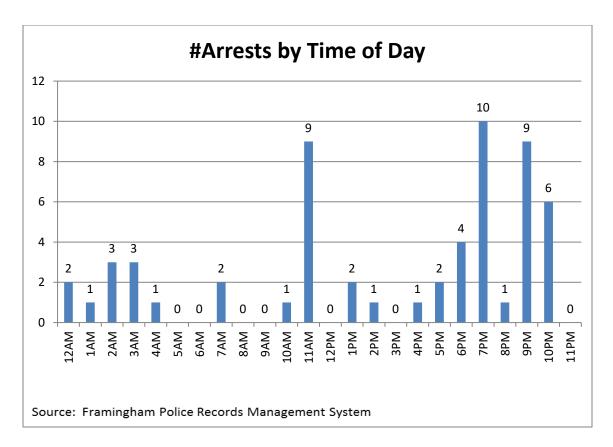
The method most often utilized in use of force cases was physical force alone (utilized 50% of the time). Electronic Control Devices (Tasers) were the next most reported for a total of 14 times over the period (24.1%). Almost 26% of the cases have no method listed and nothing to imply force was used in the arrest.



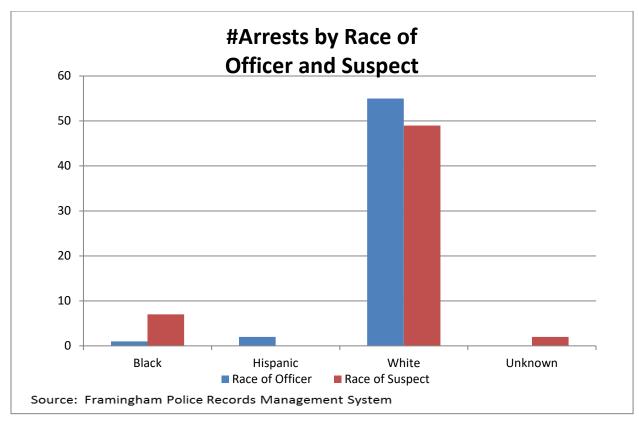
The distribution by month is not consistent.

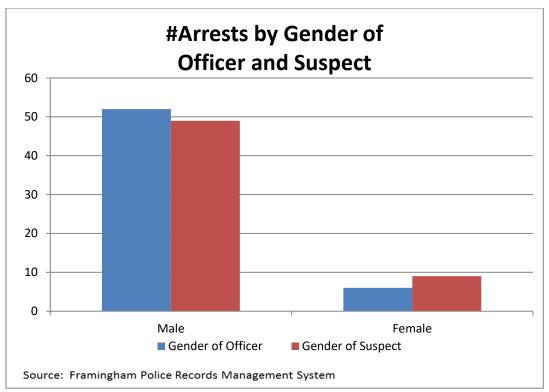


Arrests seem to be most often over the weekend into Monday.

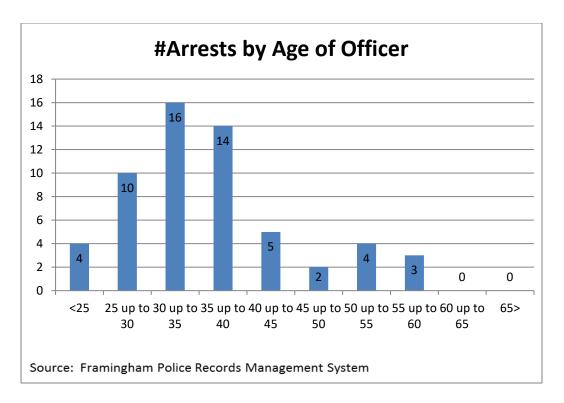


More arrests happen in late afternoon and evenings. This is similar to previous years.

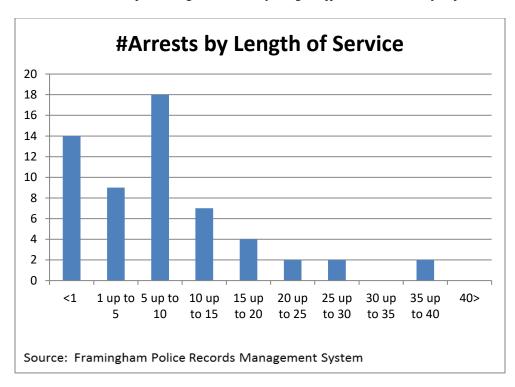




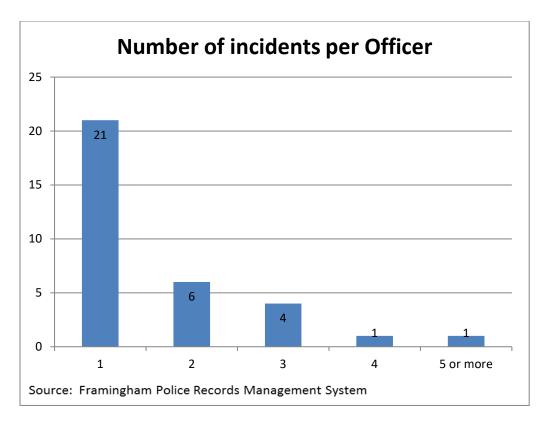
The above chart indicates that arrests involving males were significantly more likely to involve use of force situations.



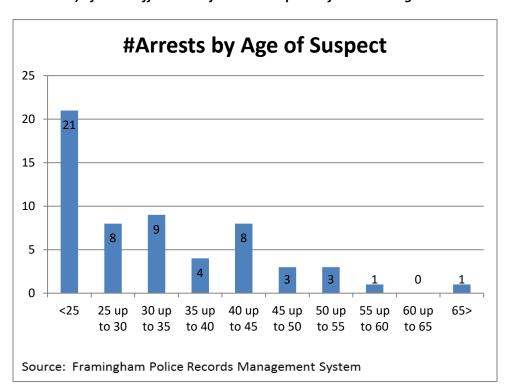
This chart correlates with the following chart. The younger officers are on the job for a shorter time.



Most of the use of force reports came from officers with less than 10 years of service. These officers are likely to work evening and midnight shifts, when there are more arrests, and be out on patrol.



There are 98 officers that made 1949 arrests in 2015. Of these 33 reported Use of Force, the vast majority (27 of 33 or 81.8%) of these officers had just 1 or 2 reports of Force during this time.



There are 58 arrests with the Use of Force box checked in the RMS and Use of Force specified in the report. The Suspect age breakdown is as seen in previous years. More than 35% of Arrests that used force were with suspects under 25 years old. This is considered a Crime-Prone age group. This is similar to previous year's data.