# Derbyshire Constabulary - Disproportionality Headline Figures

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Disproportionality is a measure of the proportion of Stop Searches or Use of Force incidents carried out on different ethnic groups or ages compared with their proportion of the general population of Derbyshire.

## Disproportionality with Use of Force

### Ethnicity

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**80.0%** of all UoF incidents were on white people

Black people were **5.1** times more likely to have force used on them than white people

Incidents on Black people have decreased by **3.0%**

**Mixed Ethnicity People** were less likely to have force used on them than white people

Black children were **6.9** times more likely to have force used on them than white children*

All other ethnicities of children were **less likely** to have force used on them than white children

### Age

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**Children** Were less likely to have force used on them than adults.

**9.0%** Of all UoF incidents were on children

### Use of Force in Custody

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**67.3%** of incidents that occurred in custody were on white people, whilst the proportion of white people in custody was **69.9%**

**7.2%** of incidents that occurred in custody were on children, whilst the proportion of children in custody was **5.1%**

## Disproportionality with Stop Search

### Ethnicity

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**74.0%** Of all stop searches were on white people

Black people were **3.9** times more likely to be stop searched than white people

The number of stop searches has increased across the force for **All Ethnicities**

Mixed ethnicity people were **3.3** times more likely to be stop searched than white people

Asian people were **1.5** times more likely to have force used on them during a stop search than white people

There was a **58.3%** Increase in stop searches across the force

### Age

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**Children** Were less likely to be stop searched than adults.

**14.0%** Of all stop searches were on children

### Strip Searches in Custody

Between 01/11/2025 – 31/10/2026...

**9.0%** of strip searches in custody were performed on Asian people, whilst the proportion of Asian people in custody was **5.7%**

**6.5%** of strip searches in custody were performed on Black people, whilst the proportion of Black people in custody was **4.0%**

*Please note, disproportionality figures may be inflated due to missing age records from 2021 Census data. Proportion of age split population data that is missing is as follows: White = 0.4%, Black = 26.1%, Asian = 14.1%, Mixed = 31.6% and Other = 24.5%.*

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# Disproportionality last 12 months up to: 10/2026

Disproportionality is a measure of the proportion of Stop Searches or Use of Force incidents carried out on different ethnic groups or ages compared with their proportion of the general population of Derbyshire.

## Force-wide Disproportionality Rate – Use of Force

| Ethnicity Group | UoF Incidents Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total UoF Incidents | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| White | 16,833 | 12% | 80% | 1.0 |
| Asian | 1,258 | 9% | 6% | 1.4 |
| Black | 1,291 | -3% | 6% | 5.1 |
| Mixed | 292 | - | 1% | 0.8 |
| Any Other Ethnic Group | 197 | -10% | 1% | 1.1 |

| Age Group | UoF Incidents Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total UoF Incidents | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Over 18 | 18,607 | 12% | 88% | 1.0 |
| **Under 18** | **1,992** | **8%** | **9%** | **0.4** |

| Ethnicity Group | UoF Incidents Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total Child UoF Incidents | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Under 18 White | 1,536 | 5% | 77% | 1.0 |
| Under 18 Asian | 92 | 23% | 5% | 0.8 |
| Under 18 Black | 161 | 10% | 8% | 6.9 |
| Under 18 Mixed | 44 | - | 2% | 0.6 |
| U18 Any Other | 12 | 33% | 1% | 0.6 |

## Use of Force Incidents by Age Group

| Age Bracket | L12m | % of Total UoF |
|---|---|---|
| 0 to 17 | 1,992 | 9.5% |
| 18 to 24 | 3,619 | 17.2% |
| 25 to 34 | 5,520 | 26.2% |
| 35 to 49 | 7,359 | 34.9% |
| 50 to 64 | 1,930 | 9.2% |
| 65 + | 185 | 0.9% |
| Not Recorded | 455 | 2.2% |

## Use of Force in Custody

| Ethnicity | L12m | % UoF in Custody | % Total Custody |
|---|---|---|---|
| White | 476 | 67.3% | 69.9% |
| Asian | 27 | 3.8% | 5.7% |
| Black | 29 | 4.1% | 4.0% |
| Mixed | 31 | 4.4% | 2.9% |
| Other | 12 | 1.7% | 1.8% |

| Age | L12m | % UoF in Custody | % Total Custody |
|---|---|---|---|
| Adult | 656 | 92.8% | 94.9% |
| Child | 51 | 7.2% | 5.1% |

## Force-wide Disproportionality Rate – Stop Search

| Ethnicity Group | Searches Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total Stop Searches | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| White | 4,712 | 59% | 74% | 1.0 |
| Asian | 425 | 71% | 7% | 1.6 |
| Black | 282 | 40% | 4% | 3.9 |
| Mixed | 328 | 82% | 5% | 3.3 |
| Any Other Ethnic Group | 124 | 88% | 2% | 2.4 |

| Age Group | Stop Searches Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total Stop Searches | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Over 18 | 5,160 | 65% | 78% | 1.0 |
| **Under 18** | **918** | **32%** | **14%** | **0.7** |

| Ethnicity Group | UoF during Stop Search Last Year | % Change from Previous Year | Proportion of Total UoF during Stop Search | Disproportionality |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| White | 1,134 | 95% | 68% | 1.0 |
| Asian | 142 | 71% | 9% | 1.5 |
| Black | 92 | 70% | 6% | 1.4 |
| Mixed | 97 | 102% | 6% | 1.3 |
| Any Other Ethnic Group | 33 | 230% | 2% | 1.2 |

## Stop Searches by Age Group

| Age Bracket | L12m | % of Total Searches |
|---|---|---|
| Under 10 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 10 to 17 | 918 | 13.9% |
| 18 to 24 | 1,399 | 21.2% |
| 25 to 34 | 1,484 | 22.5% |
| 35 to 59 | 2,187 | 33.1% |
| 60 + | 90 | 1.4% |
| Not Recorded | 290 | 4.5% |

## Strip Searches in Custody

| Ethnicity | L12m | % Strip Searches in Custody | % Total Custody |
|---|---|---|---|
| White | 178 | 63.8% | 69.9% |
| Asian | 25 | 9.0% | 5.7% |
| Black | 18 | 6.5% | 4.0% |
| Mixed | 12 | 4.3% | 2.9% |
| Other | 2 | 0.7% | 1.8% |
| Not stated | 44 | 15.8% | 15.7% |

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# Disproportionality last 12 months up to: 10/2026

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## Force-wide Disproportionality Rate – Use of Force

### Ethnicity

The number of Use of Force incidents has increased for each ethnicity when compared to the previous year, other than for "Black" and "Any Other Ethnic Group", where the number of incidents has decreased by **3.0%** and **10.0%** respectively**.**
The majority of Use of Force incidents occurred on White people (**80.0%** of all incidents).
Black people were **5.1** times more likely to have force used on them than white people over the last year.
Disproportionality was also seen for Asian people (**1.4** times more likely) and for people from any other ethnic group (**1.1** times more likely). Mixed ethnicity people were less likely to have force used on them than White people.

### Age

The number of Use of Force incidents has increased for both adults and children compared to last year; adult incidents have increased by **12.0**%, whereas children by **8.0%**. **88.0%** of all incidents in the last year were on adults. Children were less likely to have force used on them than adults in the last year.

### Ethnicity (Under 18s)

**Please note, disproportionality figures may be inflated due to missing age records from 2021 Census data. Proportion of age split population data that is missing is as follows: White = 0.4%, Black = 26.1%, Asian = 14.1%, Mixed = 31.6% and Other = 24.5%.*
Under 18 Black people were **6.9** times more likely to have force used on them than under 18 White people, over the last year. All other ethnicities were less likely. Use of force incidents on children have increased over the last year for all ethnicities, with the largest percentage increase being seen in children from any other ethnic group, however numbers are small.

## Use of Force Incidents by Age Group

### Age

Over the last year, the largest proportion of Use of Force incidents occurred on people aged between 35 – 49 (**34.9%**), closely followed by people aged between 25 – 34 (**26.2%**).
Only **9.5%** of Use of Force incidents occurred on children, and only **0.9%** occurred on people over the age of 65.
**2.2%** of Use of Force incidents over the last year did not have subject age recorded.

## Use of Force in Custody

### Ethnicity

**67.3%** of Use of Force incidents that occurred in custody over the last year were on White people, which is lower than expected given that white people made up **69.9%** of the total custody population. This proportion was higher than expected for Black and Mixed ethnicity people.

### Age

**7.2**% of incidents in custody occurred on children which is higher than expected given that the child custody population was only **5.1%.**

## Force-wide Disproportionality Rate – Stop Search

### Ethnicity

The number of stop searches has increased for each ethnicity when compared to the previous year, which is expected due to a **58.3%** increase in stop searches overall. The majority of stop searches had subjects who were White (**74.0%** of all stop searches).
Black people were **3.9** times more likely to be stop searched than White people over the last year, whilst Mixed ethnicity people were **3.3** times more likely. Disproportionality was also seen in people from any other ethnic group (**2.4** times more likely to be stop searched) and Asian people (**1.6** times more likely to be stop searched).

### Age

The number of stop searches has increased for both adults and children compared to last year; searches on adults have increased by **65.0**%, whereas children by only **32.0%**. **78.0%** of all searches in the last year were on adults. Children were less likely to be stop searched than adults in the last year.

### Use of Force during Stop Searches – Ethnicity

The number of stop searches where force was used has increased across all ethnicities over the last year, which is expected due to the **58.3%** increase in stop searches. Whilst disproportionality figures are low, Asian people, Black people, Mixed ethnicity people and people from any other ethnic group are all more likely to have force used on them during a stop search than White people, over the last year. Asian people were **1.5** times more likely, Black people were **1.4** times more likely, Mixed ethnicity people were **1.3** times more likely and people from any other ethnic group were **1.2** times more likely.

## Stop Searches by Age Group

### Age

Over the last year, the largest proportion of stop searches were on people aged between 35 – 59 (**33.1%**), closely followed by people aged between 25 – 34 (**22.5%**).
Only **13.9%** of stop searches were on children aged between 10 - 17, and **0.0%** of searches were carried out on children under the age of 10.
**4.5%** of stop searches over the last year did not have subject age recorded.

## Strip Searches in Custody

### Ethnicity

Proportions of strip searches in custody performed on Asian, Black and Mixed ethnicity are currently sitting at **9.0%, 6.5%** and **4.3%,** respectively. These are higher than expected due to the proportion of total custody populations for these ethnicities being only **5.7%, 4.0%** and **2.9%,** respectively. For all other ethnicities, proportions are lower than expected.

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