

1. How many members of your force have been issued Tasers for use in day-to-day patrolling.

Tasers are not personally issued, they are formally drawn from a pool by authorised officers on a daily basis. At this time there are 1441 officers trained and authorised to carry Taser.

2. How many times has an officer deemed the use of a Taser justified? (i.e. how many times has an officer used a Taser on a member of the public?)

This is not a valid FOI request for information held, but a question of opinion. However, in order to assist, I can advise that in the financial year April 2019 to end of March 2020, Taser was discharged against a member of the public 294 times. Discharged includes Fired and Drive Stun. (Derived from Use of Force Database) For information purposes, data pertaining to use of force, including Taser (CED) at force level, can be found [HERE](#).

3. How many convictions have arisen in cases where a Taser was used?

We do not hold conviction data, this information is held by Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-courts-and-tribunals-service>

4. How many times has the use of a Taser on a member of the public resulted in that person requiring medical attention?

In order to locate and retrieve this information would require a manual review of incident logs and custody records, which would exceed the FOI time limit.

5. Can you provide a breakdown of the recorded ethnicity of those who have encountered police and subsequently were tasered.

Of the 294 occasions in which Taser was discharged in 2019-2020 the recorded ethnicity is broken down as follows. (Derived from Use of Force Database)

**White 177
Black (or Black British) 65
Asian (or Asian British) 32
Mixed 15
Other 3
Not Known 2**