Interim Police Complaints Information Bulletin: Action Fraud

Reporting Period: 01 April 2025 - 30 September 2025 (Q2 2025/26)



About this bulletin

This bulletin presents information about complaints defined under the Police Reform Act 2002 (PRA 2002), as amended by the Police and Crime Act 2017. The legislation came into effect on 1 February 2020 (4 January 2021 for the British Transport Police).

It sets out performance against a number of measures and compares force results to their most similar force (MSF) group (where applicable)

Please note: Data for one force was not available in time to be published in this bulletin. This should be considered when using national figures for comparison.

Please note: Unless stated otherwise, tables within the bulletin consist of 'year-to-date' figures covering all matters being started or completed between the two dates.

Q1: 1 April to 30 June, Q2: 1 April to 30 September, Q3: 1 April to 31 December, Q4: 1 April to 31 March

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Acronyms used in this bulletin

YTD – Year to date figures, SPLY - Same period last year, MSF - Most similar force, LPB - Local policing body, PRA - Police Reform Act 2002

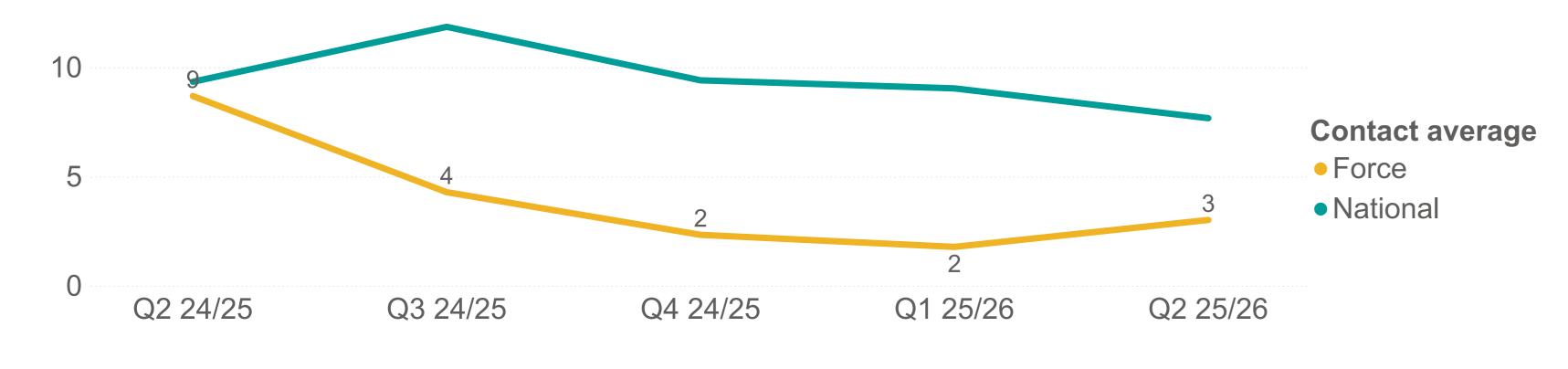
Nat. - National, RPRP - Reflective Practice Review Process, UPP - Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure

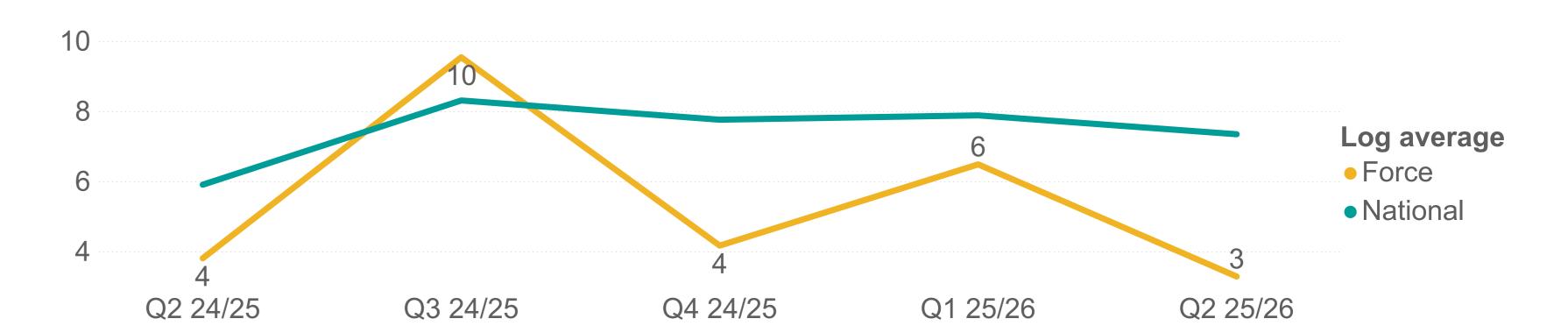
Section A1.1: Complaint cases and allegations logged

A complaint case is formed of one or more allegations. Numbers per 1,000 employees are used to demonstrate how the number of complaints/allegations against a force compare to their most similar force group and national figures. The force should contact the complainant and log the complaint as soon as possible after the complaint has been raised. Average to log/contact is from the customer perspective.

Note: Number of employees is a fixed number through the period, therefore complaints and allegations per 1,000 employees is higher for the full period (as in the table) than when broken down in to quarters (as per the charts)

Year to date	Complaints logged	Allegations Logged	Average working days to contact complainants	Average working days to log complaints		
Force	222	252	2	5		
SPLY	202	199	6	6		
National	54,025	92,398	8	8		





Section A1.2: Reason for complaints to be logged under Schedule 3

For space reasons some figures in the above charts are not shown

Allegations should have an allegation category applied to them which will identify the root of what the allegation is about.

Forces can handle a complaint informally (known as Outside of Schedule 3), this should be used to deal with lower level complaints.

If a complaint is handled formally under Schedule 3, the force should record the reason why.

For more information on Schedule 3 of the Police Reform Act see here:

Guidance on capturing data about police complaints.

Reason complaint case recorded under Schedule 3 (YTD)	Force	SPLY	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	5	0	6,147
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	0	2	2,922
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	0	10	2,753
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	1	0	5,061
Total	6	12	16,883

Reason complaint case recorded under Schedule 3 (YTD)	Force	SPLY	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	83 %	0 %	36 %
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	0 %	17 %	17 %
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	0 %	83 %	16 %
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	17 %	0 %	30 %

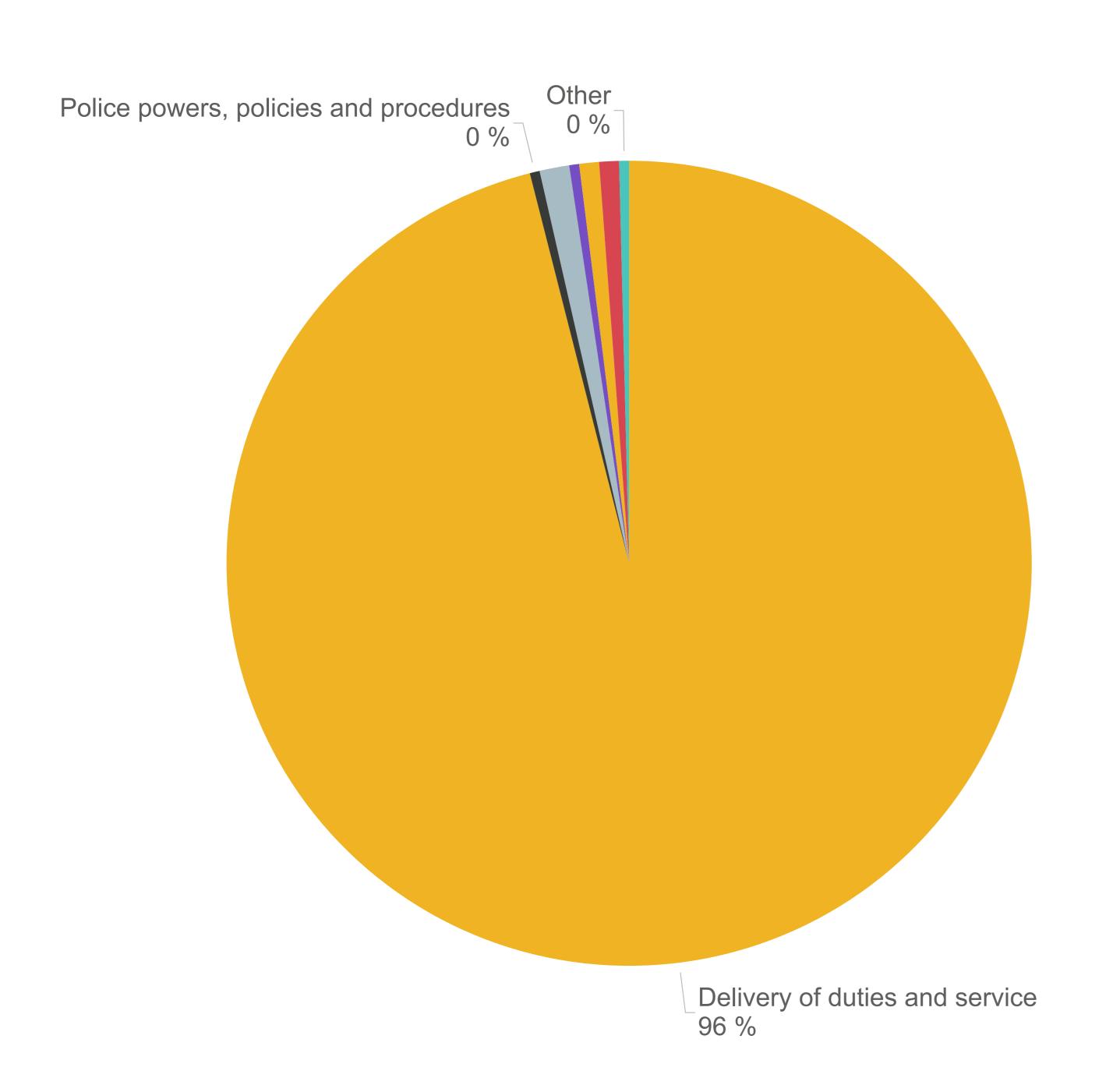
Section A1.3: Allegations logged – what has been complained about (YTD)

This section presents the three most commonly recorded categories for allegations that have been logged. A complaint case will contain one or more allegations and one category (and sub-category, where available) is selected for each allegation logged. Total % is of the total number of allegations logged. Allegations where the subcategory is 'none' are omitted from this table.

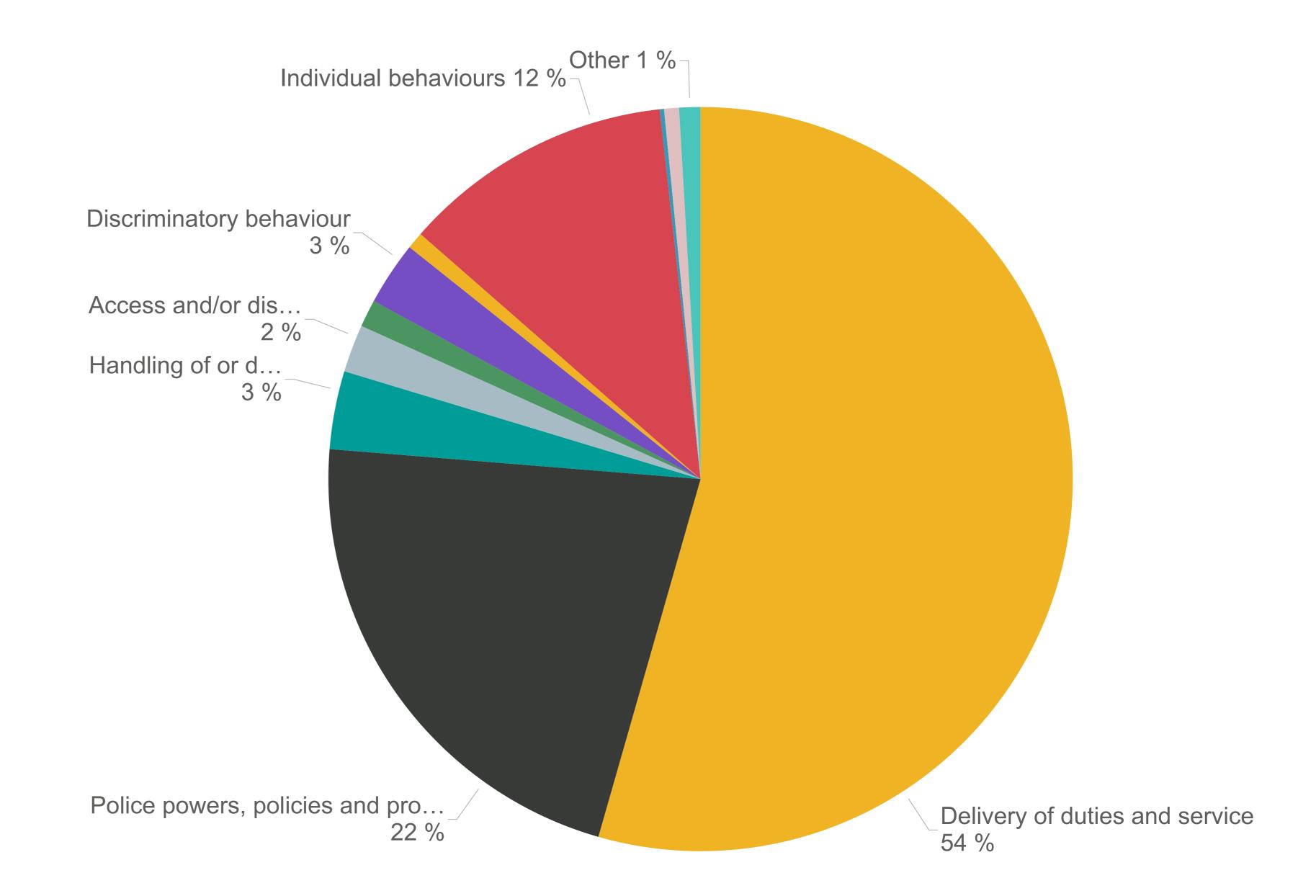
What has been complained about (YTD)

Year to date	Delivery of duties and service	Police powers, policies and procedures	Handling of or damage to property/ premises	Access and/or disclosure of information	Use of police vehicles	Discriminatory behaviour	Abuse of position/corruption	Individual behaviours	Sexual conduct	Discreditable conduct	Other	Total
Force	242	1	0	3	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	252
SPLY	190	1	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	199
National	50,290	20,195	3,136	1,917	1,099	2,555	679	10,906	170	598	852	92,397

What has been complained about (force - year to date)



What has been complained about (national - year to date)



Section A1.4: Allegations logged – Top five allegation categories and their sub-categories (Year to date)

	Year to date	For	ce	SPI	_Y	Natio	onal
Category	Subcategory	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Delivery of duties and service	Total	242	96 %	190	95 %	50,289	54 %
	Police action following contact	162	67 %	152	80 %	21,478	43 %
	General level of service	44	18 %	21	11 %	14,998	30 %
	Information	26	11 %	15	8 %	5,808	12 %
	Decisions	10	4 %	2	1 %	8,005	16 %
Access and/or disclosure of	Total	3	1 %	2	1 %	1,916	2 %
information	Use of police systems	1	33 %	1	50 %	158	8 %
	Disclosure of information	1	33 %	0	0 %	1,319	69 %
	Accessing and handling of information from other sources	1	33 %	0	0 %	79	4 %
	Decisions	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
	Handling of information	0	0 %	1	50 %	360	19 %
	Information	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Abuse of position/ corruption	Total	2	1 %	0	0 %	679	1 %
	Abuse of position for other purpose	1	50 %	0	0 %	204	30 %
	Obstruction of justice	1	50 %	0	0 %	311	46 %
	Abuse of position for financial purpose	0	0 %	0	0 %	33	5 %
	Abuse of position for sexual purpose	0	0 %	0	0 %	33	5 %
	Abuse of position for the purpose of pursuing an	0	0 %	0	0 %	11	2 %
	inappropriate emotional relationship						
	Organisational corruption	0	0 %	0	0 %	87	13 %
Individual behaviours	Total	2	1 %	3	2 %	10,906	12 %
	Impolite language / tone	2	100 %	3	100 %	2,938	27 %
	Unprofessional attitude and disrespect	0	0 %	0	0 %	3,042	28 %
	Lack of fairness and impartiality	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,613	15 %
	Overbearing or harassing behaviours	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,688	15 %
	Impolite and intolerant actions	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,625	15 %
Police powers, policies and	Total	1	0 %	1	1 %	20,195	22 %
procedures	Other policies and procedures	1	100 %	1	100 %	2,380	12 %
	Stops, and stop and search	0	0 %	0	0 %	936	5 %
	Searches of premises and seizure of property	0	0 %	0	0 %	2,650	13 %
	Power to arrest and detain	0	0 %	0	0 %	3,563	18 %
	Detention in police custody	0	0 %	0	0 %	2,555	13 %
	Bail, identification and interview procedures	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,229	6 %
	Use of force	0	0 %	0	0 %	4,720	23 %
	Evidential procedures	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,828	9 %
	Out of court disposals	0	0 %	0	0 %	334	2 %
Discriminatory behaviour	Total	1	0 %	3	2 %	2,555	3 %
	Race	1	100 %	0	0 %	1,230	48 %
	Age	0	0 %	0	0 %	25	1 %
	Disability		0 %	3	100 %	540	21 %
	Gender reassignment	0	0 %	0	0 %	33	1 %
	Marriage and civil partnership	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
	Pregnancy and maternity	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
	Religion or belief	0	0 %	0	0 %	76	3 %
	Sex	0	0 %	0	0 %	380	15 %
	Sexual orientation	0	0 %	0	0 %	69	3 %
	Other	0	0 %	0	0 %	201	8 %

This section presents the three most commonly recorded categories for allegations that have been logged. A complaint case will contain one or more allegations and one category (and sub-category, where available) is selected for each allegation logged.

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Section A1.5: National complaint factors

Year to date	For	ce	S	PLY	Nati	onal
Factors on all allegations	Allegations Logged	% Allegations Logged	Allegations Logged	% Allegations Logged	Allegations Logged	% Allegations Logged
Fraud	248	98 %	195	98 %	643	1 %
Investigation	2	1 %	0	0 %	35,875	39 %
None	2	1 %	3	2 %	17,926	19 %
Call Handling	1	0 %	0	0 %	3,994	4 %
Arrest	0	0 %	0	0 %	11,122	12 %
Child protection / CSA / CSE	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,763	2 %
Coronavirus - other	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Coronavirus ' police powers on infectiou	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on infectiou	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on restricti	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Covert policing	0	0 %	0	0 %	46	0 %
Custody	0	0 %	0	0 %	5,234	6 %
Death	0	0 %	0	0 %	772	1 %
Domestic / gender abuse	0	0 %	0	0 %	5,308	6 %
Drugs / alcohol	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,000	1 %
Firearms	0	0 %	0	0 %	387	0 %
Hate Crime	0	0 %	1	1 %	415	0 %
Mental health	0	0 %	0	0 %	2,452	3 %
Missing persons	0	0 %	0	0 %	622	1 %
Neighbourhood policing	0	0 %	0	0 %	4,427	5 %
Police dogs or horses	0	0 %	0	0 %	57	0 %
PPDA	0	0 %	0	0 %	58	0 %
PPDA - Police victim	0	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %
Premises search	0	0 %	0	0 %	2,313	3 %
Public order incident	0	0 %	0	0 %	659	1 %
Restraint equipment	0	0 %	0	0 %	867	1 %
Roads/traffic	0	0 %	0	0 %	5,674	6 %
Serious injury	0	0 %	0	0 %	193	0 %
Social media	0	0 %	0	0 %	479	1 %
Stop and/or search	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,871	2 %
Taser	0	0 %	0	0 %	100	0 %
Unknown	0	0 %	0	0 %	6	0 %
VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	0	0 %	0	0 %	3,994	4 %
VAWG - police perpetrated	0	0 %	0	0 %	425	0 %
VAWG - police victim	0	0 %	0	0 %	52	0 %

This section presents information that shows the situational context of the dissatisfaction expressed in a complaint.

Each allegation should have a single category selected. However, multiple factors can be selected on a single allegation. Therefore, the sum of factors will not equal the total allegations logged in each category and the percentages here will add up to over 100%. Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for definitions of categories and factors.

Section A1.6: National complaint factors on top five allegation categories

Factors on top five allegation categories (Year to date)	Delivery of duties and service		Access and/or disclosure of information	Discriminatory behaviour		Individual behaviours
None	0	0	1	0	0	0
Investigation	1	0	0	0	1	0
Fraud	241	1	2	1	1	2
Call Handling	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	241	1	3	1	2	2

This section presents information that shows what people are complaining about using a combination of allegation categories and factors against the police force.

Categories capture the root of the dissatisfaction expressed in a complaint. Factors capture the situational context of the dissatisfaction expressed in a complaint.

The combination of categories and factors provides a richer picture of what people are complaining about compared to the categories alone.

Each allegation should have a single category selected. However, multiple factors can be selected on a single allegation. Therefore, the sum of factors will not equal the total allegations logged in each category. Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for definitions of categories and factors.

The table below shows a breakdown of allegations logged with the focus national complaint factors.

IOPC Police Data Year Quarter	VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	VAWG - police perpetrated	VAWG - police victim	Total
Total	0	0	0	0

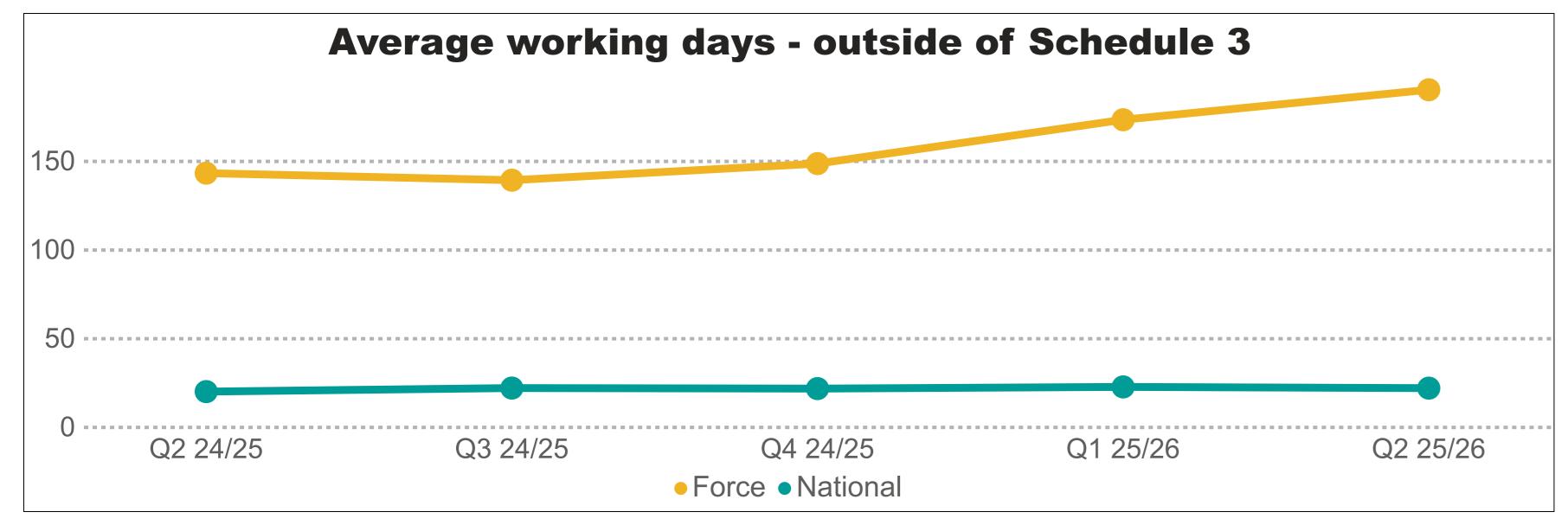
Section A2: Allegations timeliness

This section presents the time it takes the force to finalise allegations by how they were handled. It gives a breakdown of allegations handled informally outside of Schedule 3 and those that were handled formally by either by investigation or handled other than by investigation. Timeliness is calculated from the date the allegation was received by the force to the day the complainant is informed of the allegation decision.

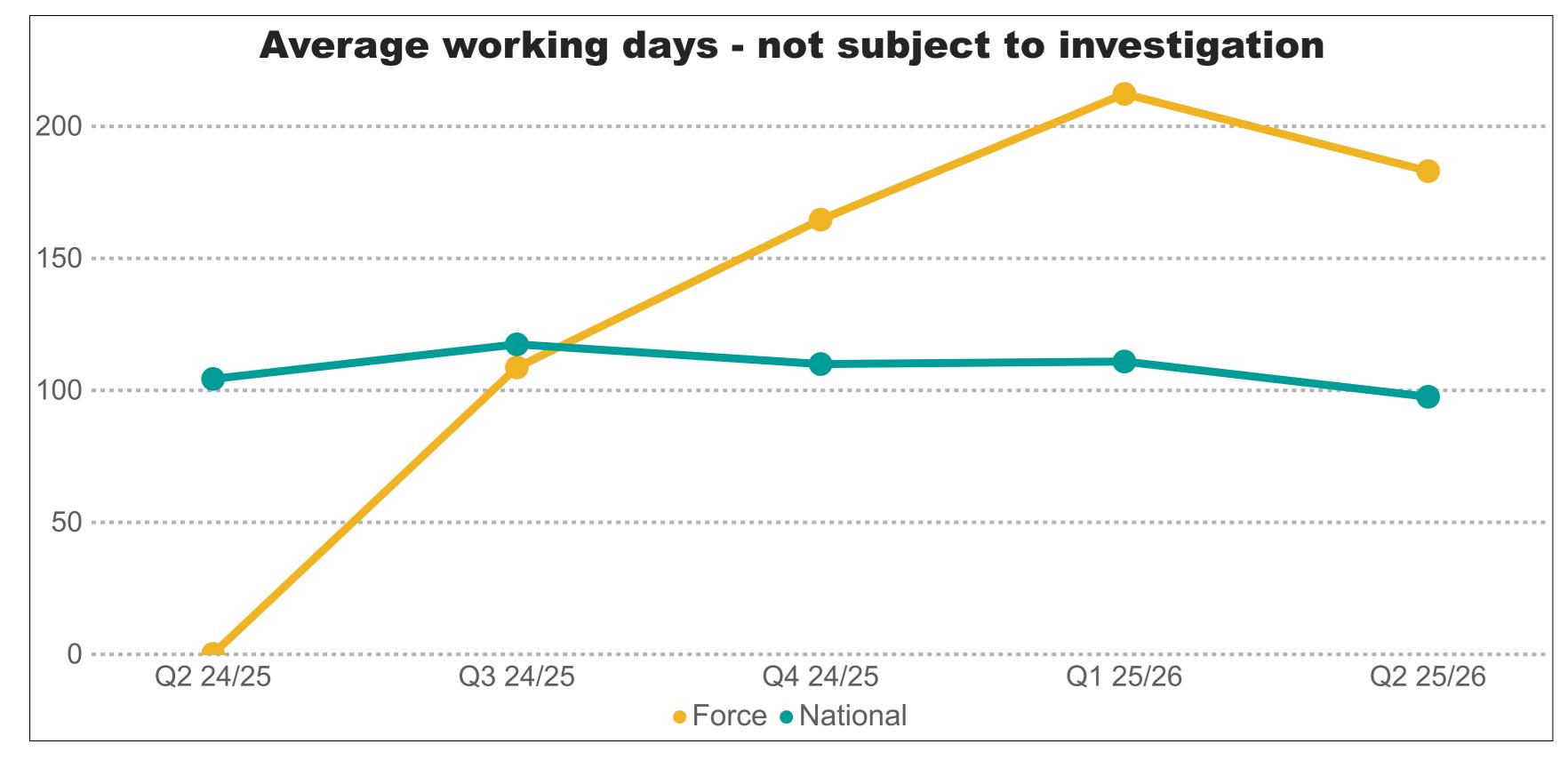
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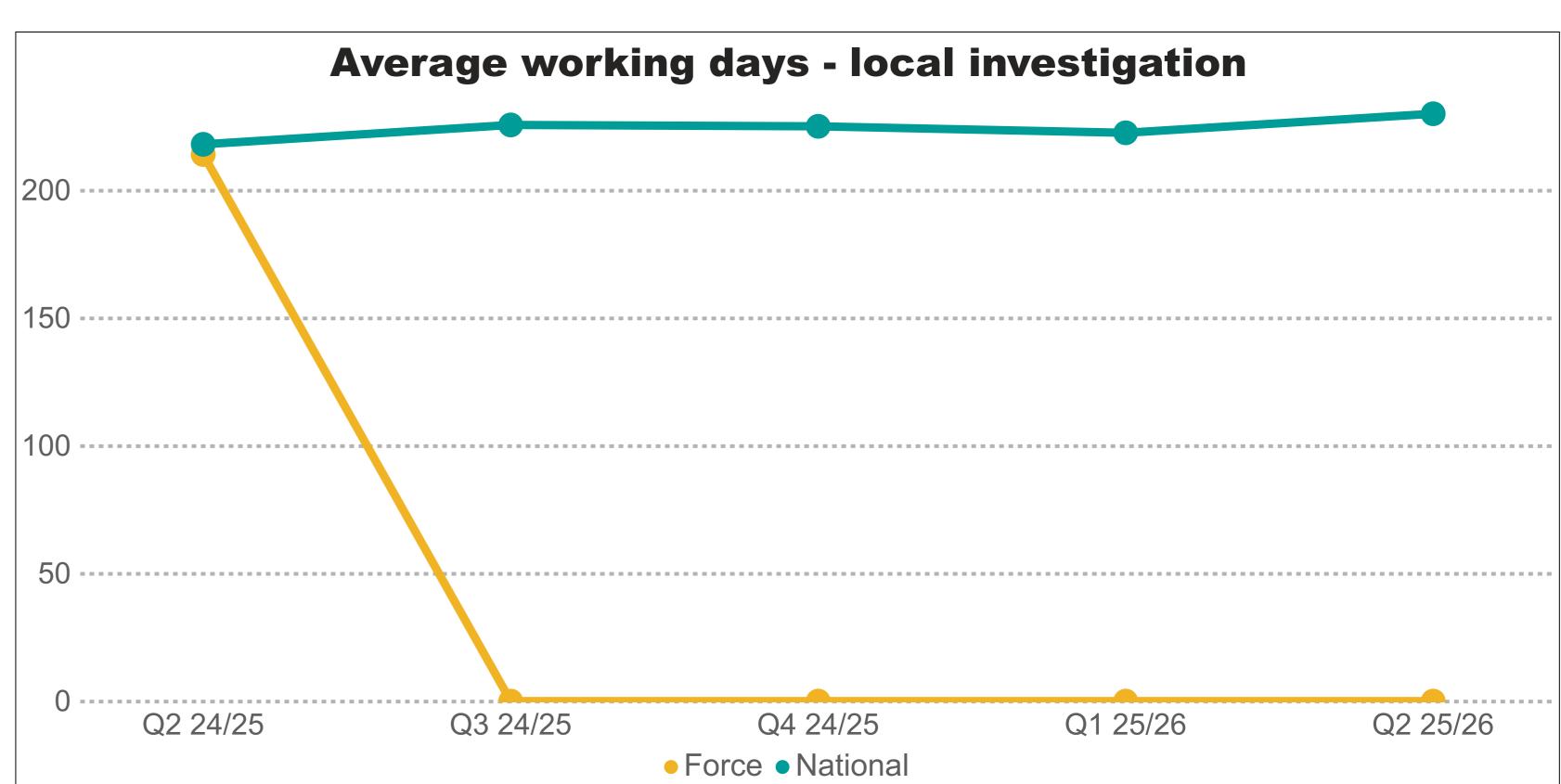
Allegations with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the performance framework counting rules and calculations on the IOPC website for an explanation of invalid dates.

Year to date	Outside of Schedule 3		Under Schedule 3 - r investigat	_		le 3 - by local gation	Under Schedule 3 - by independent investigation		
Allegations	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	
Force	133	182	40	193	0	0	0	0	
SPLY	143	140	5	181	1	214	0	0	
National	40,759	22	37,787	104	7,711	226	102	362	



Year to date	Under Schedule 3	Under Schedule 3 - by directed investigation									
Allegations	Number Finalised	Average days									
Force	0	0									
SPLY	0	0									
National	1	49									





Section A3.1: How allegations were handled and their decisions

This section presents a breakdown of how allegations were handled information and the decisions being given. An allegation decision is logged for each allegation finalised.

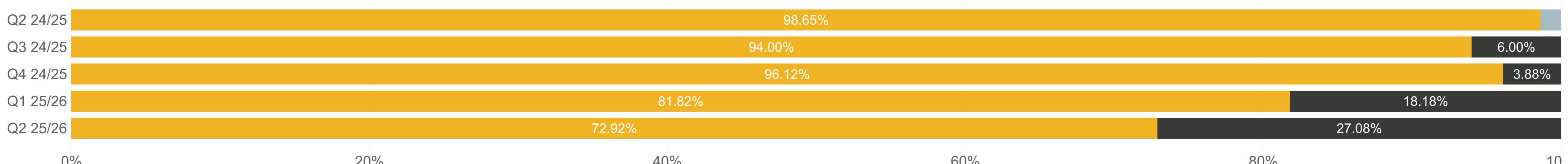
The allegation decision reflects how the complaint case has been handled, with different decisions available for the different means of handling. Both the allegation decisions and the subsequent actions available will depend on two things: firstly, whether the complaint case has been handled outside or under Schedule 3; and secondly, the means of handling where it has been dealt with under Schedule 3.

Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for details of allegation decisions.

How allegations were handled (Year to date) ▼	Force No.	Force %	National	National %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	0		7,058	8 %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	0		756	1 %
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	40	23 %	37,787	44 %
Outside of Schedule 3	133	77 %	40,759	47 %
Total	173	100 %	86,360	100 %

Force: percent of allegations finalised by handling method

Handling Method ● Outside of Schedule 3 ● Under Schedule 3 - not investigated ● Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)



0%	20%	20%				40% 60%				80%				6 10		
How allegations were handled (Year to date)	Outside of Schedule 3			Under Schedule 3 - not investigated			Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)				Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)					
Allegation decision	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %
No further action			0		5	13 %	2,670	7 %			10	1 %			248	4 %
Regulation 41 applies			0				90	0 %			2	0 %			112	2 %
Service provided - unable to determine			0				3,444	9 %			18	2 %			712	10 %
Service provided - not acceptable			0		1	3 %	4,757	13 %			33	4 %			970	14 %
Service provided - acceptable			1	0 %	34	85 %	25,819	68 %			126	17 %			4,785	68 %
Not Resolved	10	8 %	2,044	5 %			0				0				0	
Resolved	123	92 %	38,714	95 %			0				0				0	
No Case to Answer			0				0				386	51 %			0	
Case to Answer			0				0				141	19 %			0	
Withdrawal			0				1,005	3 %			40	5 %		_	231	3 %

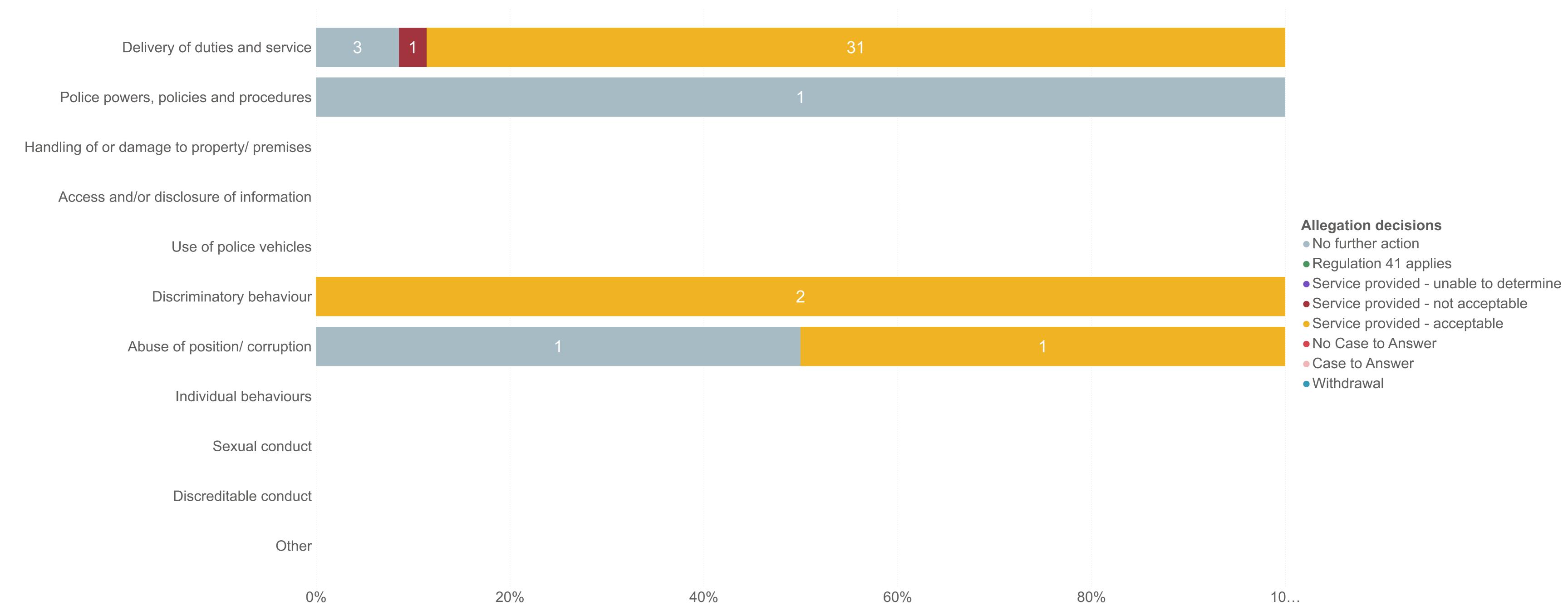
Section A3.2: Allegation decisions by what was complained about (Year to date by category)

This section presents information about allegations handled both informally and formally, grouped by the allegation decision and the category selected on each allegation. Each allegation has a single category selected.

Outside Schedule 3 allegation decisions

Allegation decisions	Delivery of duties and service	powers,	Handling of or damage to property/ premises	Access and/or disclosure of information	Use of police vehicles	Discriminatory behaviour		behaviours		Discreditable conduct	Other	Total
Resolved	116	0	0	2	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	123
Not Resolved	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	10

Schedule 3 allegation decisions



Section B1.1: Allegation actions - on allegations handled outside of Schedule 3 (Year to date)

This section presents information about what happened as a result of the allegation (action). Actions are captured at allegation level and multiple actions can be selected, where appropriate, on single allegation. The figures shown in this section are based on allegations that resulted in the corresponding action. As more than one action can be selected for a single allegation, the sum of all percentages will not equal 100%.

The actions available once an allegation is finalised depend on how the complaint case has been handled. Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for details of actions available.

Please note: not all of the available actions arising from the complaint handling are shown. The actions presented in this section are those that focus on putting an issue right and preventing it from happening again by encouraging those involved to reflect on their actions and learn.

	Force			SPLY	National	
Actions following outside of Schedule 3 complaint cases	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised
Organisational learning	0	0 %	0	0 %	176	0 %
Learning from reflection	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,043	3 %
Policy review	0	0 %	0	0 %	29	0 %
Goodwill gesture	0	0 %	0	0 %	92	0 %
Apology	5	4 %	2	1 %	3,141	8 %
Debrief	0	0 %	0	0 %	387	1 %
Explanation	116	87 %	130	91 %	26,358	65 %
No further action	10	8 %	11	8 %	5,286	13 %
Other action	1	1 %	0	0 %	4,052	10 %

Section B1.2: Allegation actions - on allegations handled under Schedule 3 (Year to date)

This section presents information about what happened as a result of the allegation (action). Actions are captured at allegation level and multiple actions can be selected, where appropriate, on single allegation. The figures shown in this section are based on allegations. As more than one action can be selected for a single allegation, the sum of all percentages will not equal 100%.

The actions available once an allegation is finalised depend on how the complaint case has been handled. Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for details of actions available. Please note: not all of the available actions arising from the complaint handling are shown. The actions presented in this section are those that focus on putting an issue right and preventing it from happening again by encouraging those involved to reflect on their actions and learn.

All complaint cases handled under Schedule 3

	Force		SPLY		National	
Actions following Schedule 3 complaint	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations
cases	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised
Organisational learning	1	3 %	0	0 %	346	1 %
Apology	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,647	4 %
Debrief	0	0 %	0	0 %	1,823	4 %
Explanation	27	68 %	6	100 %	29,333	64 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	0	0 %	0	0 %	9	0 %
No further action	12	30 %	0	0 %	8,724	19 %
Other action	0	0 %	0	0 %	379	1 %
Learning from reflection	0	0 %	0	0 %	2,446	5 %
Referral to RPRP	0	0 %	0	0 %	602	1 %

Misconduct, UPP and RPRP on complaints investigated under Schedule 3 (subject to Special Procedures)

Complaint cases handled under Schedule 3 that are investigated and subject to Special Procedures can result in misconduct proceedings

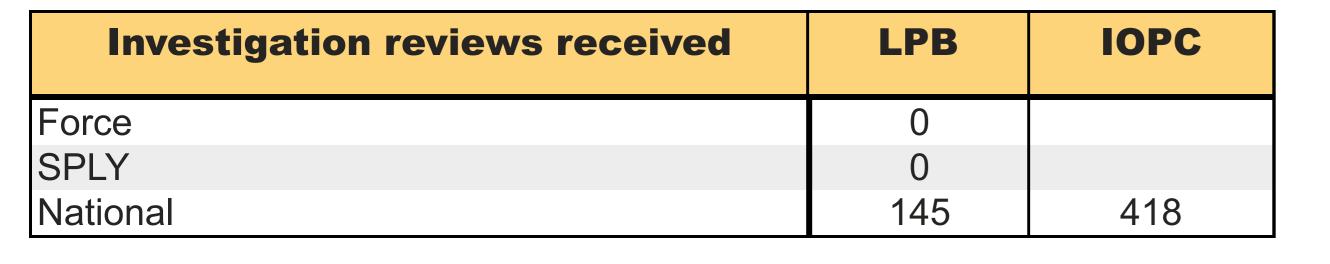
	Force		S	PLY	National	
Actions following Schedule 3 (special procedures) cases	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised
Misconduct proceedings	0	0 %	0	0 %	52	7 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Other actions following a case to answer decision	0	0 %	0	0 %	45	6 %
Referral to RPRP	0	0 %	0	0 %	92	12 %

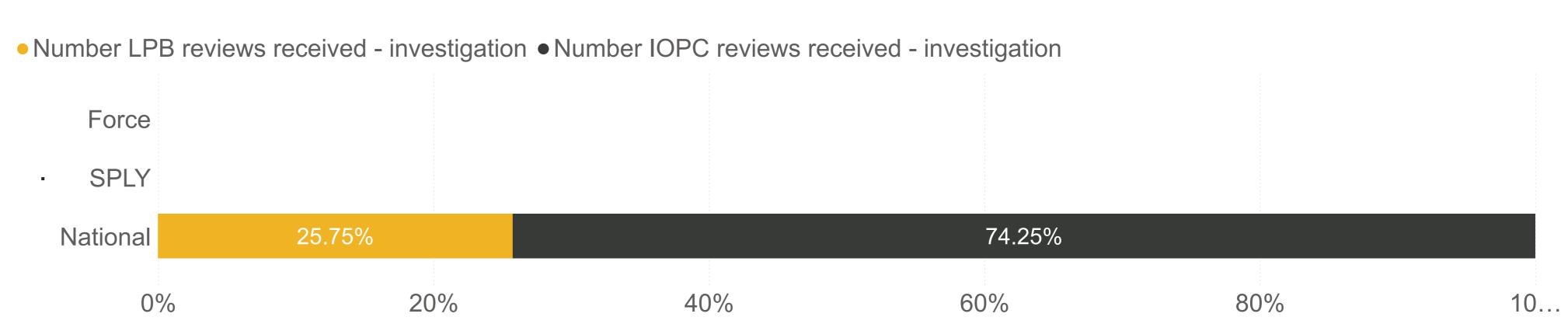
Section C1: Reviews received and timeliness (Year to date)

This section presents data on the number of reviews received about this force by the IOPC and by the local policing body. The charts enable you to see the proportion of each review type being received by the two bodies. For information on when the IOPC should be the review body, please see our <u>Statutory Guidance</u>

Non-investigation reviews received	LPB	IOPC
Force	4	
SPLY	1	
National	2,222	869

 Number LPB reviews re 	eceived - non-investigation	 Number IOPC reviews 	s received - non-investiga	tion	
Force		100	.00%		
- SPLY		100	.00%		
National		71.89%		28.11%	
0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	10

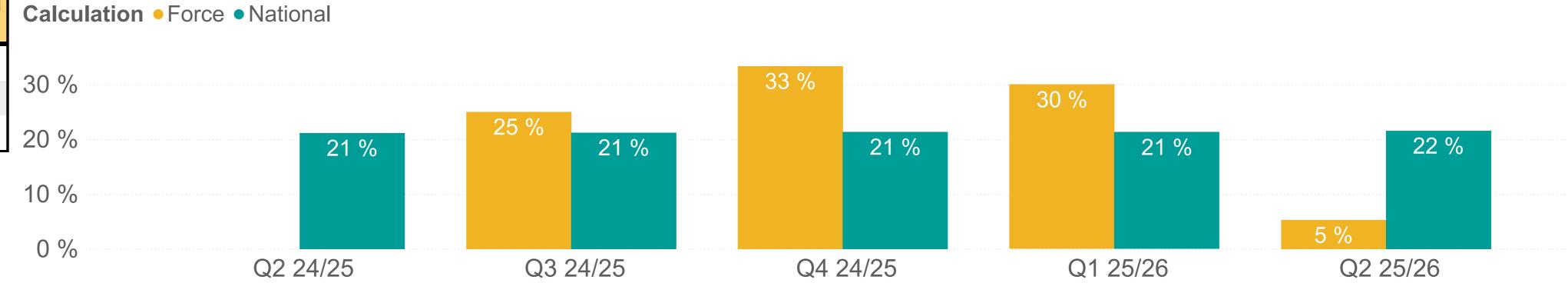




Complaints are not finalised until after any reviews are completed. However, this measure helps to provide an indication of how often reviews are made in comparison to the number of complaints completed.

•	Reviews received	Schedule 3 complaints finalised
Force	4	29
SPLY	1	5
National	3,654	17,058

Reviews received as a proportion of Schedule 3 cases



	Force	SPLY	National
Average number of working days to complete Local Policing Body reviews	61	0	46
Average number of working days to complete IOPC reviews			139

Section C2: Outcomes on reviews

This section presents information about the decisions made on reviews including the proportion of reviews that found the outcome of the complaint was not reasonable and proportionate leading to the review being upheld.

Investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed investigation (IOPC)	Upheld investigation (IOPC)	Completed investigation (LPB)	Upheld investigation (LPB)
Force			0	
SPLY			0	
National	595	160	147	47

Non- investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed non- investigation (IOPC)	Upheld non- investigation (IOPC)	Completed non- investigation (LPB)	Upheld non- investigation (LPB)
Force			5	
SPLY			0	
National	949	244	1,971	392

% IOPC reviews upheld - Force

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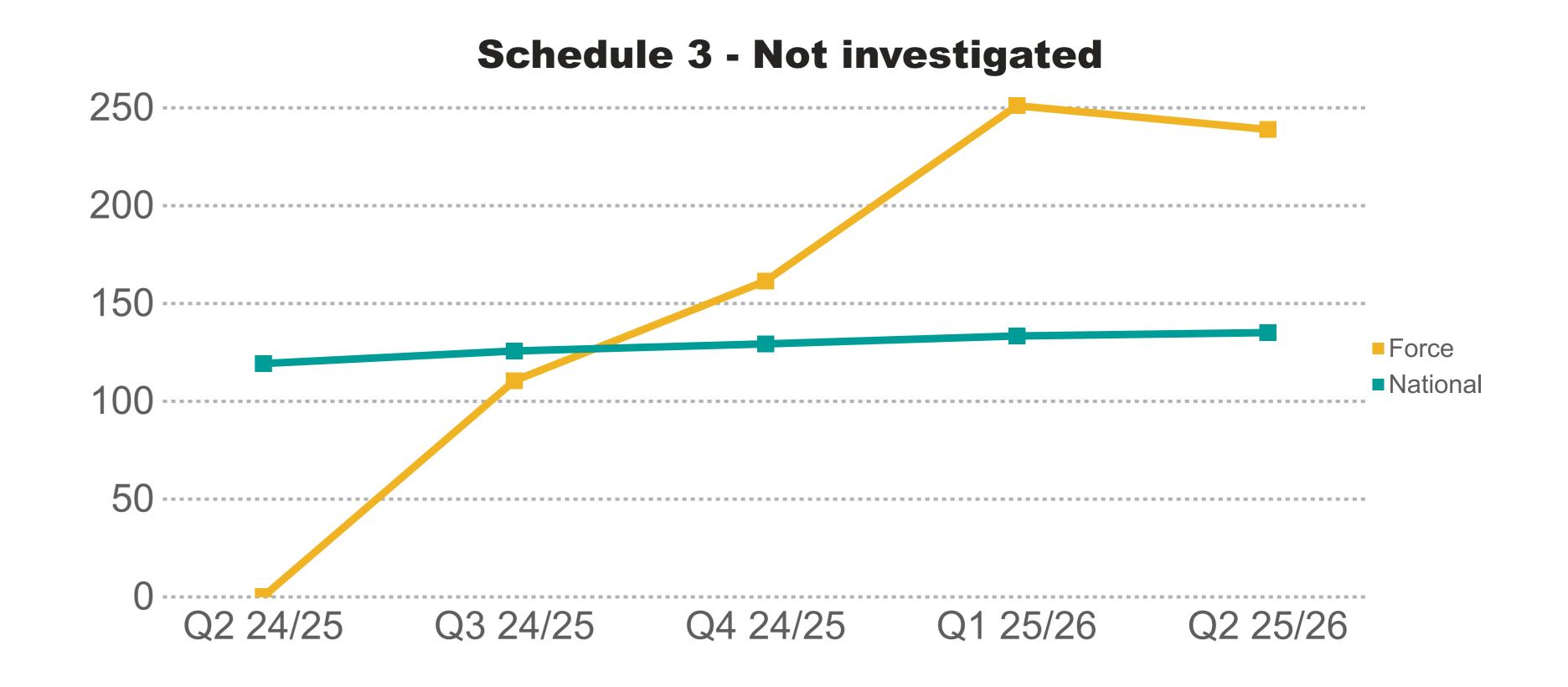
Section D1: Complaint cases finalised under Schedule 3 - timeliness

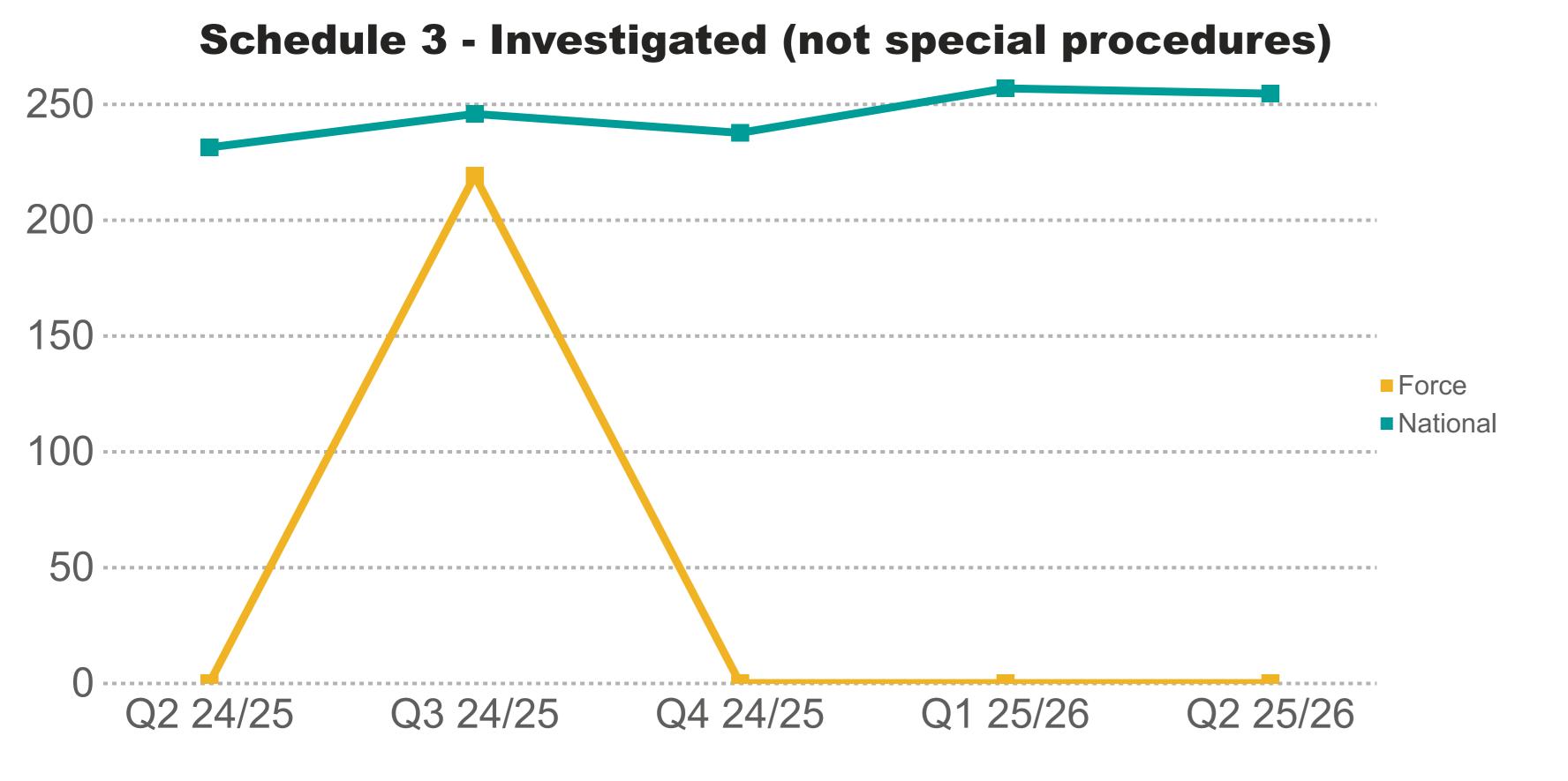
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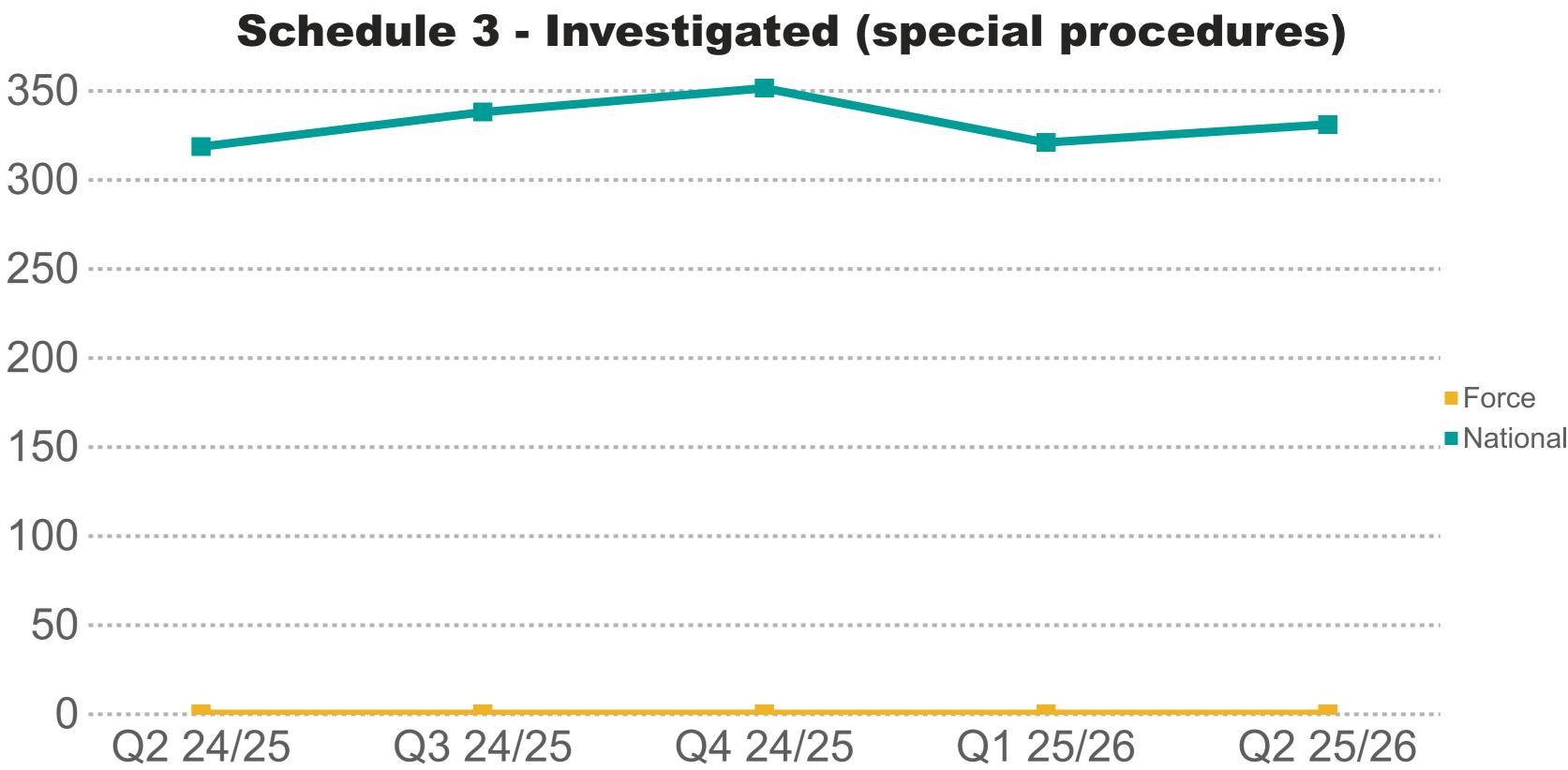
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Average working days to finalise (Year	Force	SPLY	National
to date)			
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	0	0	326
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	0	0	256
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	243	249	134
Total	243	249	155

Number finalised (Year to date)	Force	SPLY	National
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	29	5	14,328
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)			2,409
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)			321
Total	29	5	17,058







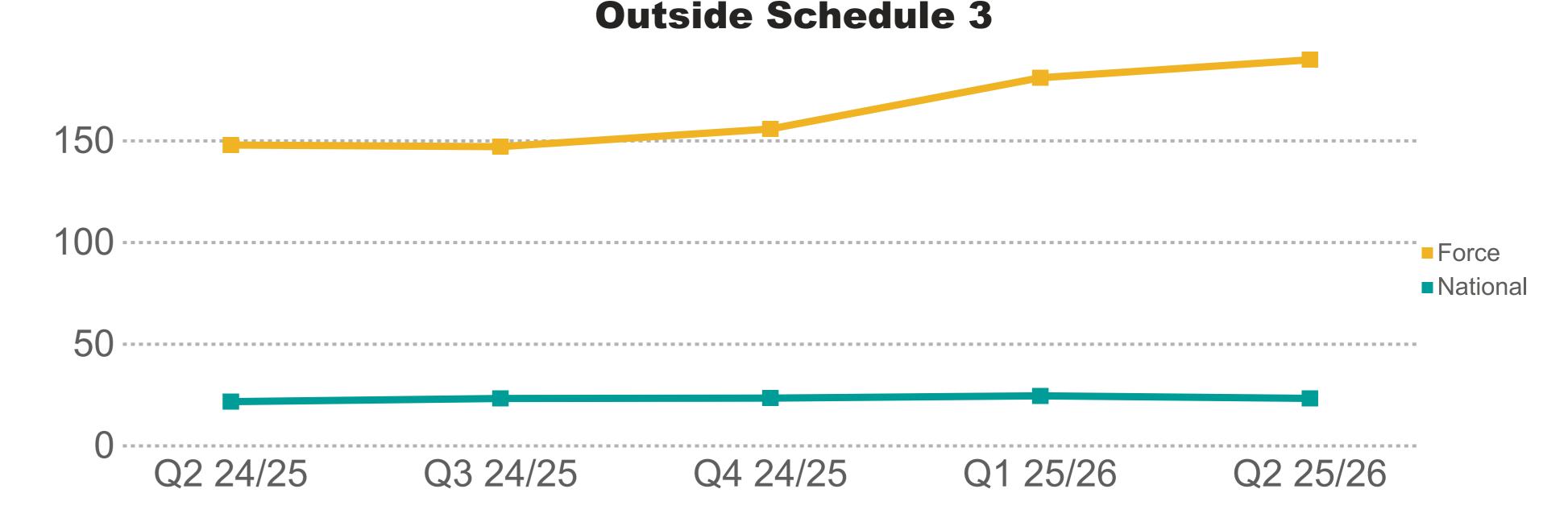
Section D2: Complaint cases finalised outside of Schedule 3 - timeliness

This section shows the time it takes the force to finalise complaint cases from the customer's perspective. It gives a breakdown of the time taken to finalise complaint cases handled handled formally under Schedule 3. Timeliness is calculated from the date the complaint was made. On cases under Schedule 3, the below figures include the time a case may spend suspended due to criminal matters.

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Year to date

	Force	SPLY	National
Complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3	123	133	34375
Average days to finalise complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3	185	149	24



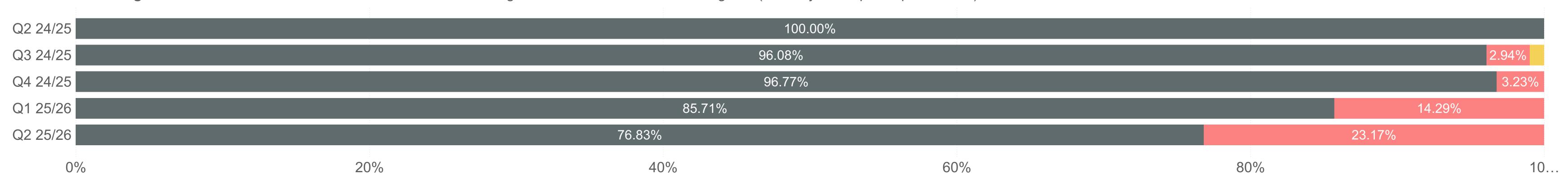
Section D3: How complaint cases handled

This section shows the proportion of complaint cases handled by the force, most similar for group and nationally under each method of handling. The table covers data recorded in the period as per 'Reporting Period' above, while the below chart concerns the force only using the last four quarters of available data.

. Means Of Handling (YTD)	Force		SPLY		National	
	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised
Outside of Schedule 3	123	81%	133	96%	34,375	67%
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	29	19%	5	4%	14,328	28%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)					2,411	5%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)					321	1%
Total	152	100%	138	100%	51,435	100%

Force: percent of complaint cases finalised by handling method

Means Of Handling • Outside of Schedule 3 • Under Schedule 3 - not investigated • Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)



Most Similar Force (MSF) Group:

Notes

Data sources

- Data in this bulletin is taken from XML data submissions made by forces to the IOPC every quarter except for IOPC performance data which is taken from the IOPC case management system.
- Police force employee numbers are taken from the latest police workforce England and Wales statistics published by the Home Office.
- The most similar force (MSF) groups used for the calculation of the MSF averages in this bulletin are those determined by HMICFRS. Please note that the British Transport Police and City of London Police do not have an MSF group. A list of the MSF groups is available on the IOPC website.
- Figures for City of London include complaint cases logged in relation to 'Action Fraud'. Action Fraud is the UK's national reporting centre for fraud and cybercrime. The service is run by the City of London Police, which is the national policing lead for economic crime.

Performance Framework counting rules and calculation

- The counting rules and calculations used to produce the data shown in this bulletin can be found on the IOPC website.
- Average times are presented in working days and do not include weekends or bank holidays.
- Some percentages may add up to more or less than 100% due to rounding.
- Complaint cases and allegations with invalid start/end dates have been removed from average time calculations. Therefore, the numbers of complaint cases and allegations used in the average time calculations may be lower than the total number of complaint cases and allegations logged or finalised.

Data constraints

- The data is sourced from live case management systems and provides a snapshot of information as it was at that time. Therefore, there may be variances between the information in this bulletin and information reported at a later date.

Further Information

- A glossary providing a full list of definitions used in this bulletin, can be found on the IOPC website.
- Additional information about the recording of police complaints, including the definitions of the complaint categories, can be found in appendix A of the IOPC's Guidance on capturing data about police complaints.
- Information about how the police complaints system operates, who can complain and how reviews are dealt with can be found in the IOPC's Statutory Guidance on the police complaints system (February 2020).