

Interim Police Complaints Information Bulletin: West Yorkshire

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

Most Similar Force (MSF) Group: Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Northumbria, Nottinghamshire, South Wales, South Yorkshire, West Midlands, West Yorkshire

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

Contents

Page 1 Section A1.1: Complaints and allegations logged – totals and per 1,000 employees, Section A1.2: Means of handling – reasons a complaint is recorded under Schedule 3

Page 2 Section A1.3: Allegations logged – what has been complained about

Page 3 Section A1.4: Allegations logged – what has been complained about – top five allegation categories and their subcategories

Page 4 Section A1.5: National complaint factors as a proportion of allegations logged

Page 5 Section A1.6: National complaint factors on the top five allegation categories

Page 6 Section A2: Allegations timeliness

Page 7 Section A3.1: How allegations were finalised and their decisions

Page 8 Section A3.2: Allegation decisions by what was complained about (category)

Page 9 Section B1.1 Allegation actions on allegations handled outside of Schedule 3

Page 10 Section B1.2 Allegation actions on allegations handled under Schedule 3

Page 11 Section C1: Reviews received and timeliness

Page 12 Section C2: Outcomes on reviews

Page 13 Section D1: Complaint cases timeliness on Schedule 3 complaints

Page 14 Section D2: Complaint cases timeliness on Outside Schedule 3 complaints and how complaints are finalised, Section D3: How complaints are handled

Page 15 Section E: Referrals

Page 16 Notes

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

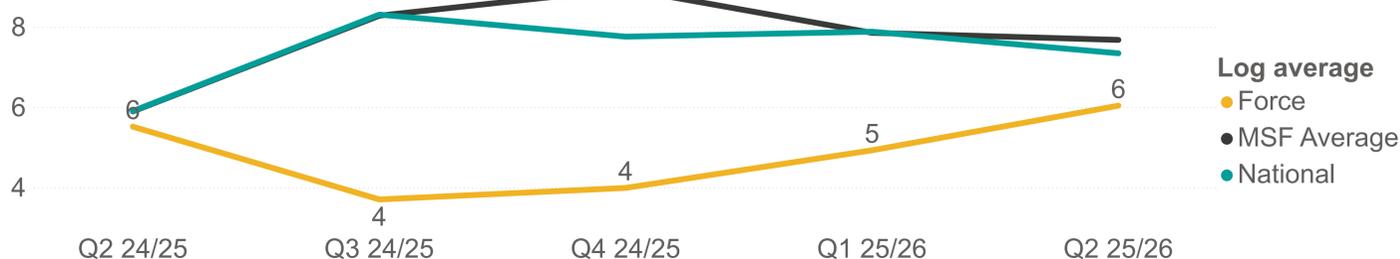
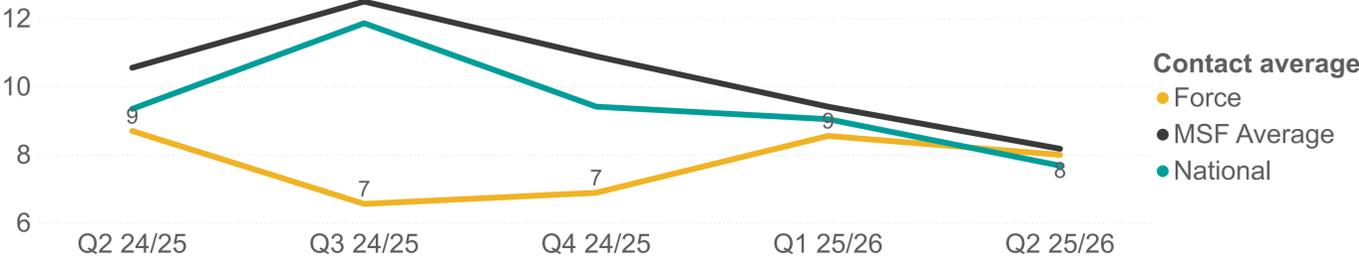
Nat. – National, **RPRP** – Reflective Practice Review Process, **UPP** – Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure

Section A1.1: Complaint cases and allegations logged

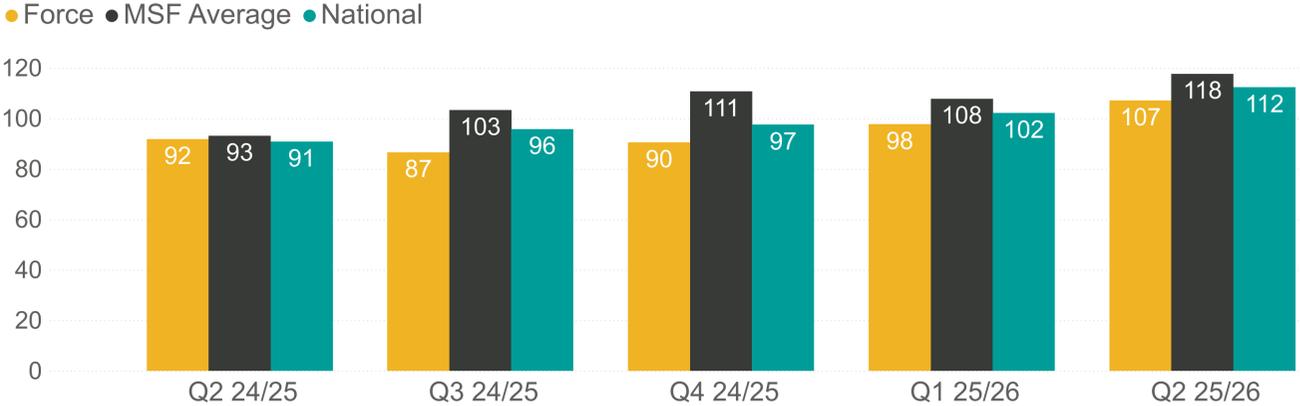
A complaint case is formed of one or more allegations. Numbers per 1,000 employees are used to demonstrate how the number of complaints/allegations against a force compare to their most similar force group and national figures. The force should contact the complainant and log the complaint as soon as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

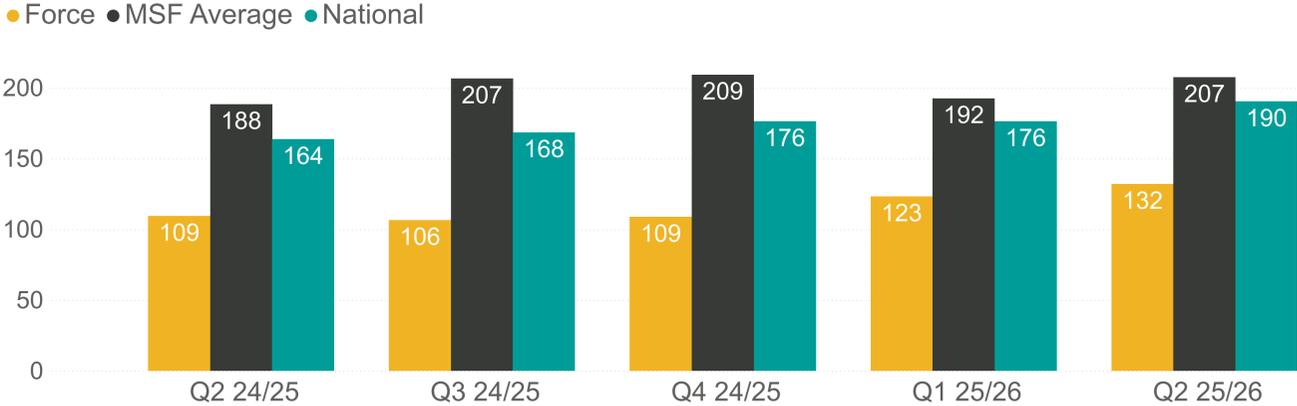
Year to date	Complaints logged	Per 1,000 employees	Allegations Logged	Per 1,000 employees	Average working days to contact complainants	Average working days to log complaints
Force	2,218	205	2,765	255	8	6
SPLY	1,871	174	2,283	212	9	5
MSF Average	1,886	225	3,252	400	9	8
National	54,025	214	92,398	367	8	8



Complaints logged per 1,000 employees



Allegations logged per 1,000 employees



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

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

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	MSF Average	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	32	26	147	6,147
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	56	94	131	2,922
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	154	182	75	2,753
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	564	423	213	5,061
Total	806	725	566	16,883

Reason complaint case recorded under Schedule 3 (YTD)	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	4 %	4 %	21 %	36 %
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	7 %	13 %	23 %	17 %
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	19 %	25 %	16 %	16 %
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	70 %	58 %	40 %	30 %

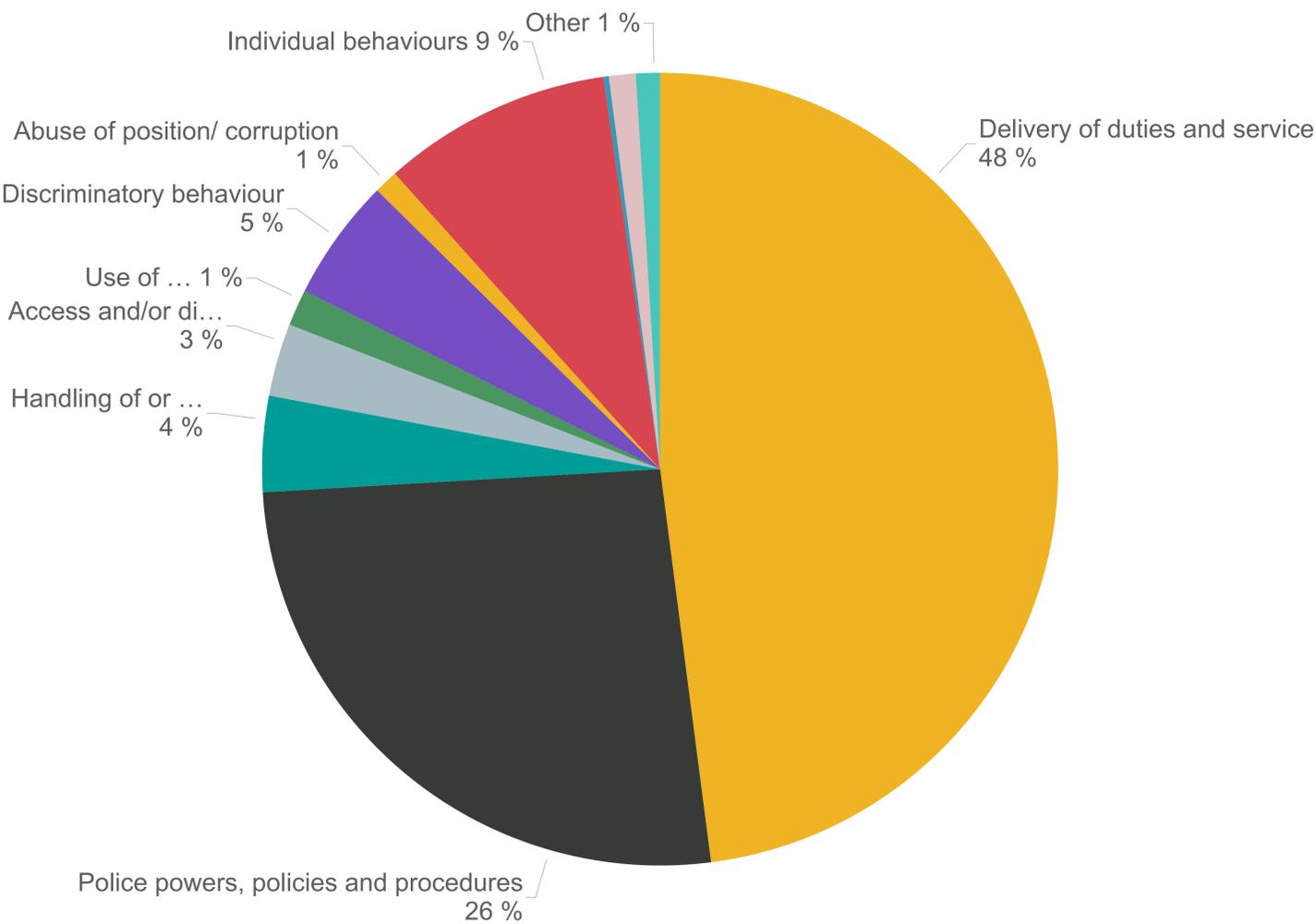
Section A1.3: Allegations logged – what has been complained about (YTD)

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.

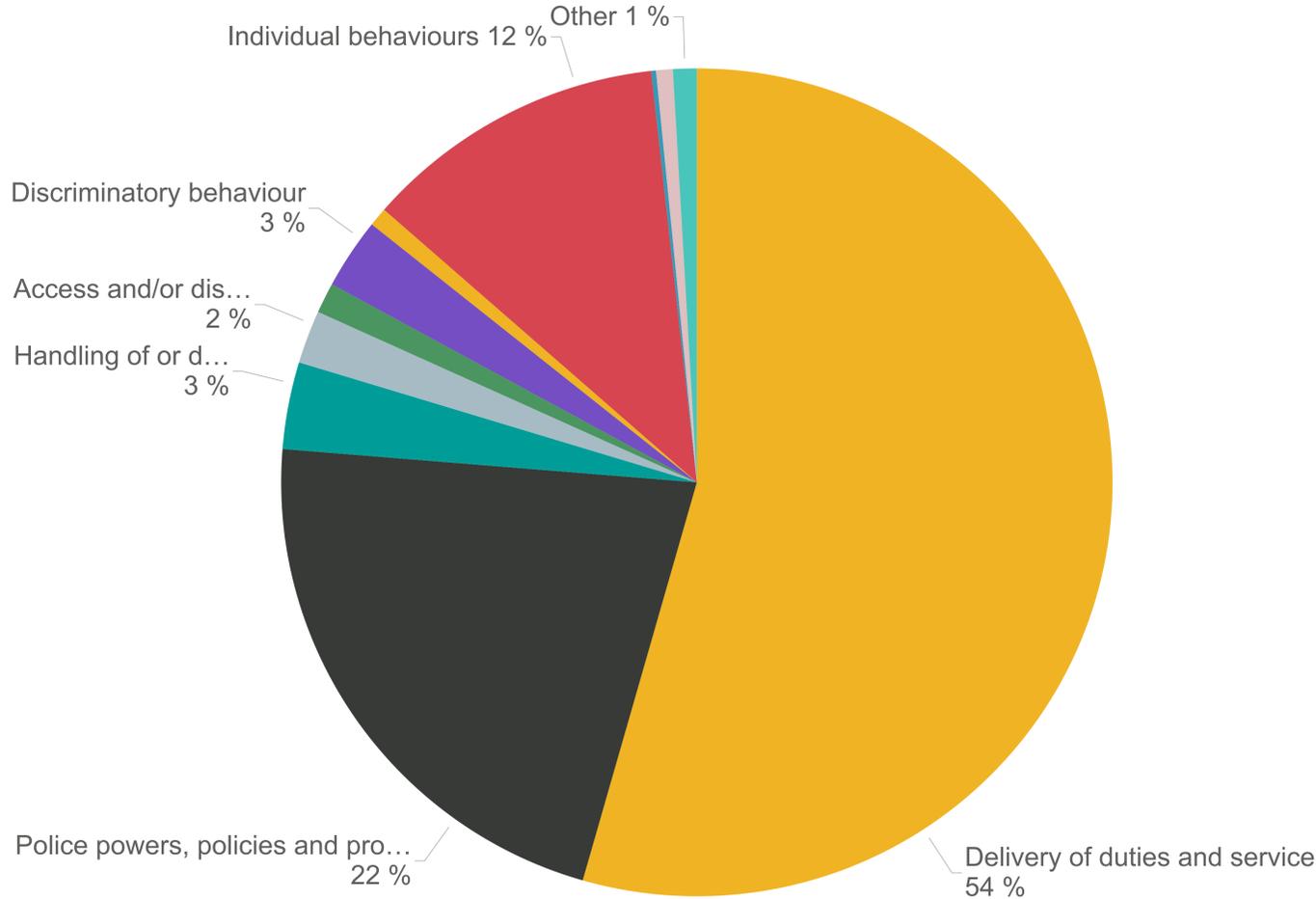
What has been complained about (YTD)

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	1,326	722	108	82	41	138	27	258	6	30	27	2,765
SPLY	1,272	494	77	57	28	147	25	156	4	16	7	2,283
MSF Average	1,706	715	125	66	36	100	23	433	6	24	17	3,252
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)

Category	Year to date Subcategory	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National		
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Delivery of duties and service	Total	1,326	48 %	1,272	56 %	1,706	53 %	50,289	54 %	
	General level of service	603	45 %	893	70 %	317	23 %	14,998	30 %	
	Police action following contact	351	26 %	153	12 %	821	43 %	21,478	43 %	
	Decisions	262	20 %	151	12 %	327	21 %	8,005	16 %	
	Information	110	8 %	75	6 %	240	14 %	5,808	12 %	
Police powers, policies and procedures	Total	722	26 %	494	22 %	715	22 %	20,195	22 %	
	Use of force	184	25 %	173	35 %	182	26 %	4,720	23 %	
	Power to arrest and detain	124	17 %	84	17 %	124	18 %	3,563	18 %	
	Other policies and procedures	110	15 %	79	16 %	62	9 %	2,380	12 %	
	Evidential procedures	105	15 %	16	3 %	62	10 %	1,828	9 %	
	Searches of premises and seizure of property	88	12 %	70	14 %	103	14 %	2,650	13 %	
	Detention in police custody	53	7 %	49	10 %	108	14 %	2,555	13 %	
	Bail, identification and interview procedures	24	3 %	8	2 %	38	4 %	1,229	6 %	
	Out of court disposals	22	3 %	4	1 %	9	1 %	334	2 %	
	Stops, and stop and search	12	2 %	11	2 %	28	3 %	936	5 %	
	Individual behaviours	Total	258	9 %	156	7 %	433	13 %	10,906	12 %
		Unprofessional attitude and disrespect	112	43 %	55	35 %	128	31 %	3,042	28 %
		Impolite language / tone	73	28 %	41	26 %	111	26 %	2,938	27 %
Lack of fairness and impartiality		31	12 %	15	10 %	50	13 %	1,613	15 %	
Overbearing or harassing behaviours		24	9 %	28	18 %	56	12 %	1,688	15 %	
Impolite and intolerant actions		18	7 %	17	11 %	88	18 %	1,625	15 %	
Discriminatory behaviour	Total	138	5 %	147	6 %	100	3 %	2,555	3 %	
	Race	60	43 %	80	54 %	44	44 %	1,230	48 %	
	Sex	31	22 %	34	23 %	17	18 %	380	15 %	
	Disability	29	21 %	22	15 %	26	22 %	540	21 %	
	Other	9	7 %	7	5 %	6	8 %	201	8 %	
	Sexual orientation	5	4 %	2	1 %	3	2 %	69	3 %	
	Religion or belief	2	1 %	2	1 %	3	3 %	76	3 %	
	Age	1	1 %	0	0 %	1	1 %	25	1 %	
	Gender reassignment	1	1 %	0	0 %	2	2 %	33	1 %	
	Marriage and civil partnership	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	
	Pregnancy and maternity	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %	
Handling of or damage to property/ premises	Total	108	4 %	77	3 %	125	3 %	3,060	3 %	
	Handling of or damage to property/ premises	108	100 %	77	100 %	125	100 %	3,060	98 %	

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.

Section A1.5: National complaint factors

Year to date Factors on all allegations	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
	Allegations Logged	% Allegations Logged						
Investigation	778	28 %	671	29 %	1,244	39 %	35,875	39 %
None	395	14 %	408	18 %	529	15 %	17,926	19 %
Arrest	393	14 %	314	14 %	448	15 %	11,122	12 %
Roads/traffic	250	9 %	211	9 %	237	7 %	5,674	6 %
Call Handling	230	8 %	155	7 %	117	4 %	3,994	4 %
VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	142	5 %	54	2 %	199	5 %	3,994	4 %
Custody	136	5 %	116	5 %	213	7 %	5,234	6 %
Neighbourhood policing	121	4 %	106	5 %	220	6 %	4,427	5 %
Domestic / gender abuse	106	4 %	107	5 %	275	7 %	5,308	6 %
Premises search	72	3 %	61	3 %	101	3 %	2,313	3 %
Mental health	52	2 %	41	2 %	129	4 %	2,452	3 %
Missing persons	27	1 %	34	1 %	25	1 %	622	1 %
Child protection / CSA / CSE	25	1 %	30	1 %	66	2 %	1,763	2 %
Stop and/or search	24	1 %	13	1 %	63	2 %	1,871	2 %
Drugs / alcohol	20	1 %	11	0 %	51	2 %	1,000	1 %
Death	13	0 %	20	1 %	23	1 %	772	1 %
Hate Crime	13	0 %	31	1 %	21	1 %	415	0 %
Public order incident	12	0 %	11	0 %	24	1 %	659	1 %
Firearms	10	0 %	4	0 %	13	0 %	387	0 %
Fraud	10	0 %	11	0 %	17	1 %	643	1 %
Social media	6	0 %	4	0 %	28	1 %	479	1 %
VAWG - police perpetrated	6	0 %	9	0 %	12	0 %	425	0 %
Restraint equipment	2	0 %	6	0 %	33	1 %	867	1 %
Serious injury	2	0 %	2	0 %	12	0 %	193	0 %
Covert policing	1	0 %	1	0 %	2	0 %	46	0 %
Police dogs or horses	1	0 %	1	0 %	2	0 %	57	0 %
VAWG - police victim	1	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %	52	0 %
Coronavirus - other	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Coronavirus ' police powers on infectiou	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on infectiou	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on restricti	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
PPDA	0	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %	58	0 %
PPDA - Police victim	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %
Taser	0	0 %	0	0 %	6	0 %	100	0 %
Unknown	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	6	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 [Guidance on capturing data about police complaints](#) 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	Police powers, policies and procedures	Handling of or damage to property/premises	Discriminatory behaviour	Individual behaviours
VAWG - police victim	1	0	0	0	0
VAWG - police perpetrated	1	1	0	0	0
VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	122	9	0	2	6
Stop and/or search	1	14	0	6	2
Social media	3	0	0	1	1
Serious injury	0	1	0	0	1
Roads/traffic	69	82	8	16	28
Restraint equipment	0	2	0	0	0
Public order incident	9	1	0	0	1
Premises search	3	34	23	3	4
Police dogs or horses	0	1	0	0	0
None	150	46	22	15	69
Neighbourhood policing	76	18	0	12	9
Missing persons	13	9	1	0	3
Mental health	24	12	0	3	6
Investigation	571	106	23	28	37
Hate Crime	8	1	0	3	1
Fraud	7	2	1	0	0
Firearms	4	3	0	0	1
Drugs / alcohol	11	3	4	1	1
Domestic / gender abuse	50	20	1	15	14
Death	12	0	0	0	0
Custody	25	81	5	8	14
Covert policing	0	1	0	0	0
Child protection / CSA / CSE	15	5	0	1	3
Call Handling	167	17	4	5	30
Arrest	55	272	16	15	24
Total	1,317	709	106	130	250

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 [Guidance on capturing data about police complaints](#) 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
Q2 24/25	34	5	0	38
Q3 24/25	53	2	1	56
Q4 24/25	51	1	0	52
Q1 25/26	90	3	1	94
Q2 25/26	52	3	0	55
Total	280	14	2	295

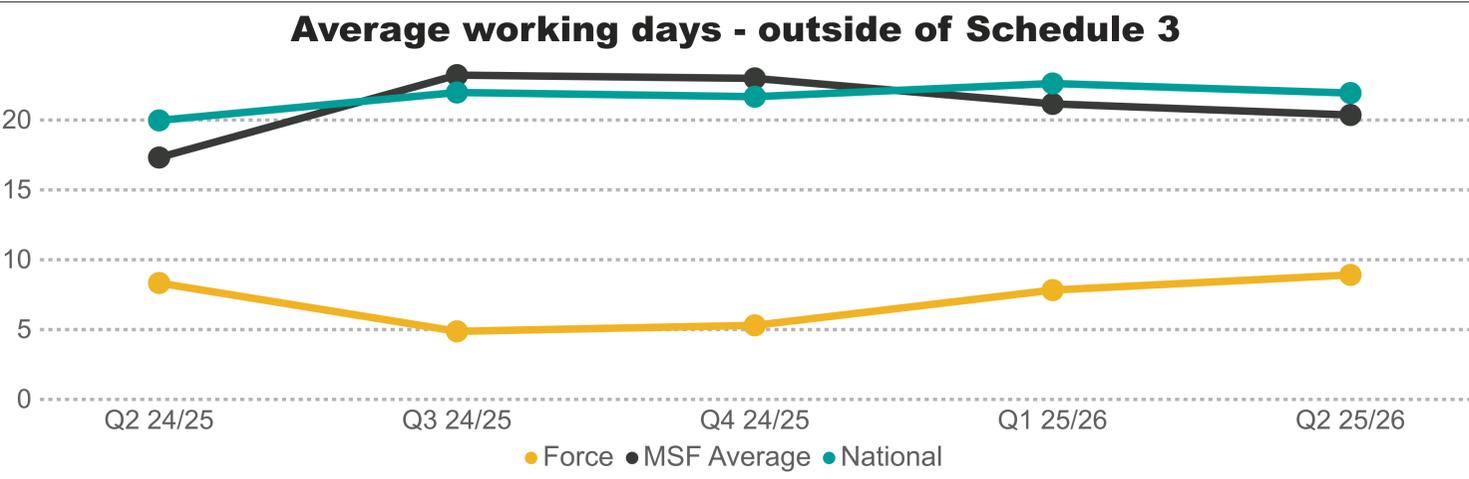
Section A2: Allegations timeliness

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.

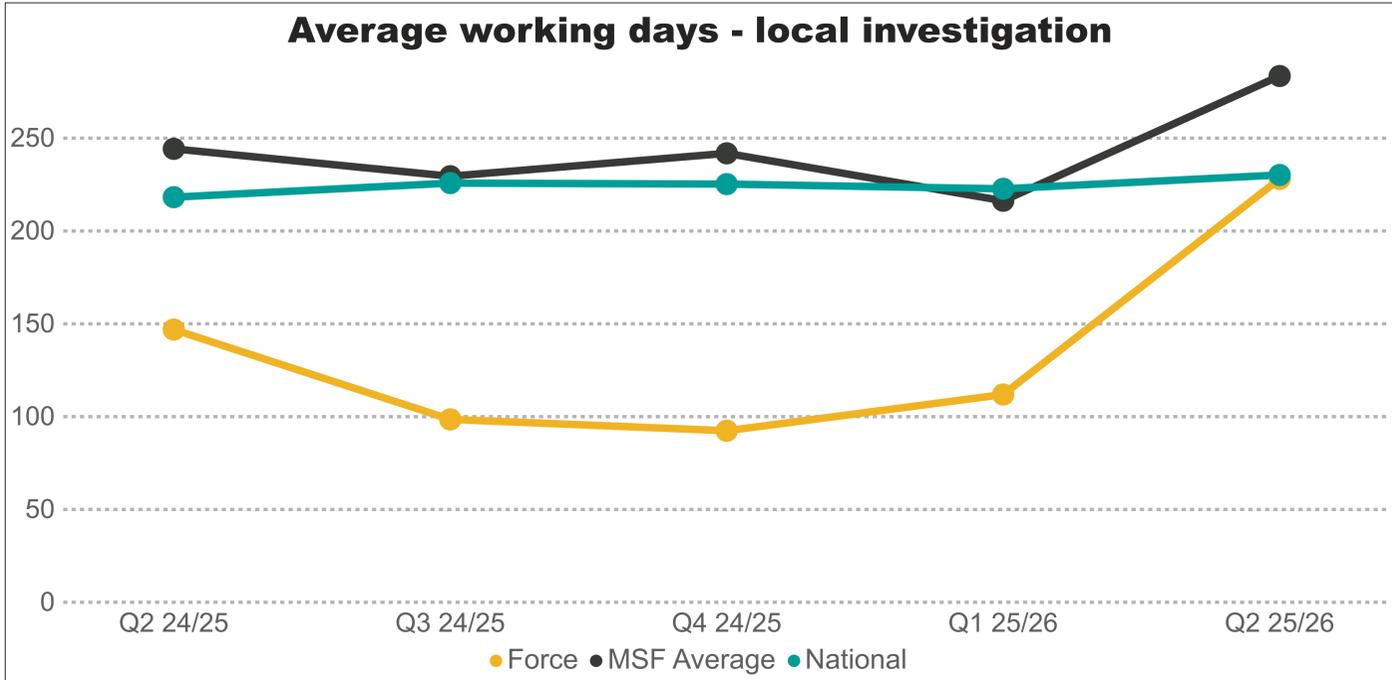
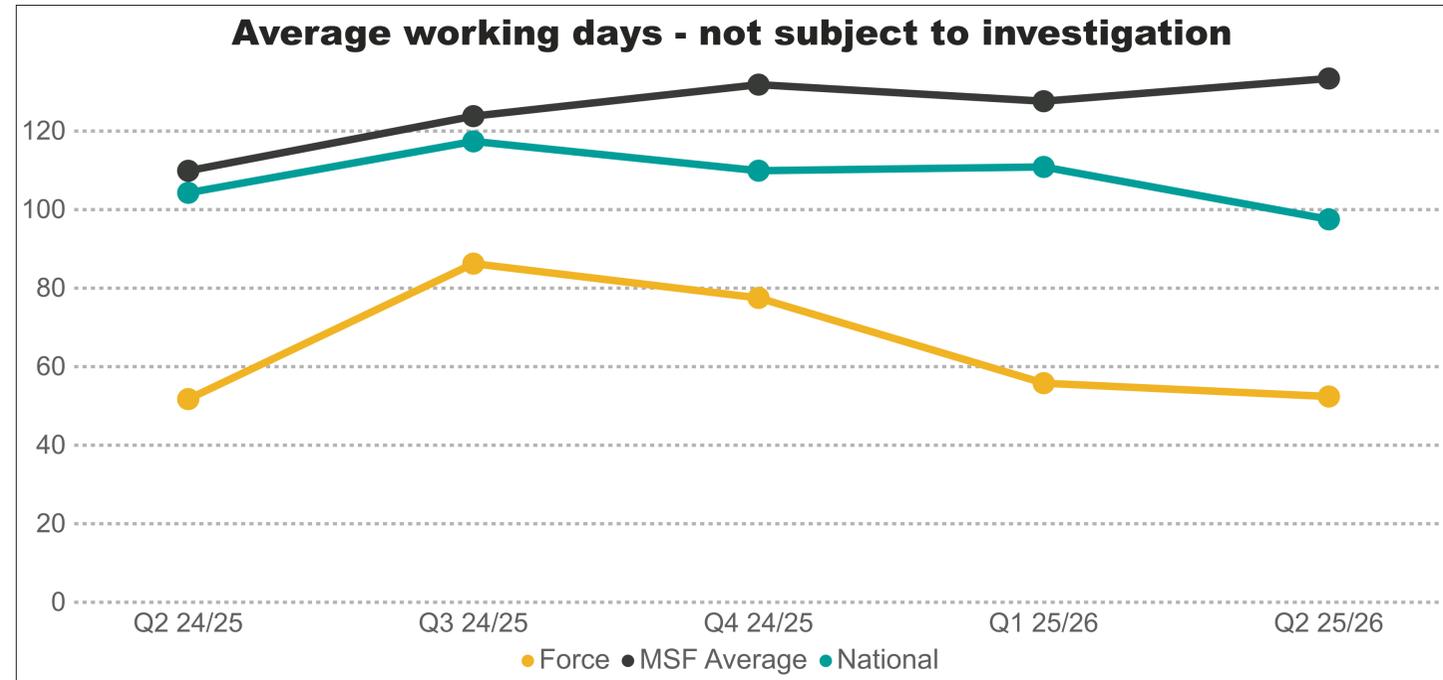
Independent investigation figures do not include conduct or death/serious injury investigations which are also investigated by the IOPC.

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 Allegations	Outside of Schedule 3		Under Schedule 3 - not subject to investigation		Under Schedule 3 - by local investigation		Under Schedule 3 - by independent investigation	
	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days
Force	1,468	8	1,153	54	110	169	5	357
SPLY	1,148	8	898	68	156	162	0	0
MSF Average	1,562	21	1,336	129	301	253	5	146
National	40,759	22	37,787	104	7,711	226	102	362



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

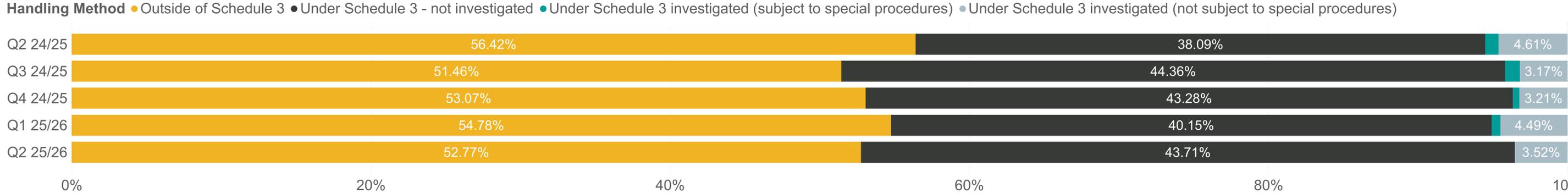


Section A3.1: How allegations were handled and their decisions

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 [Guidance on capturing data about police complaints](#) for details of allegation decisions.

How allegations were handled (Year to date)	Force No.	Force %	MSF Average No.	MSF Average %	National	National %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	108	4 %	283	10 %	7,058	8 %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	7	0 %	23	1 %	756	1 %
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	1,153	42 %	1336	43 %	37,787	44 %
Outside of Schedule 3	1,468	54 %	1562	46 %	40,759	47 %
Total	2,736	100 %	3203	100 %	86,360	100 %

Force: percent of allegations finalised by handling method



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)			
	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %	Force No.	Force %	National	National %
No further action			0		27	2 %	2,670	7 %	1	14 %	10	1 %	1	1 %	248	4 %
Regulation 41 applies			0		42	4 %	90	0 %			2	0 %	47	44 %	112	2 %
Service provided - unable to determine			0		77	7 %	3,444	9 %			18	2 %	10	9 %	712	10 %
Service provided - not acceptable			0		91	8 %	4,757	13 %	1	14 %	33	4 %	7	6 %	970	14 %
Service provided - acceptable			1	0 %	888	77 %	25,819	68 %			126	17 %	42	39 %	4,785	68 %
Not Resolved	4	0 %	2,044	5 %			0				0				0	
Resolved	1464	100 %	38,714	95 %			0				0				0	
No Case to Answer			0				0		1	14 %	386	51 %			0	
Case to Answer			0				0		4	57 %	141	19 %			0	
Withdrawal			0		28	2 %	1,005	3 %			40	5 %	1	1 %	231	3 %

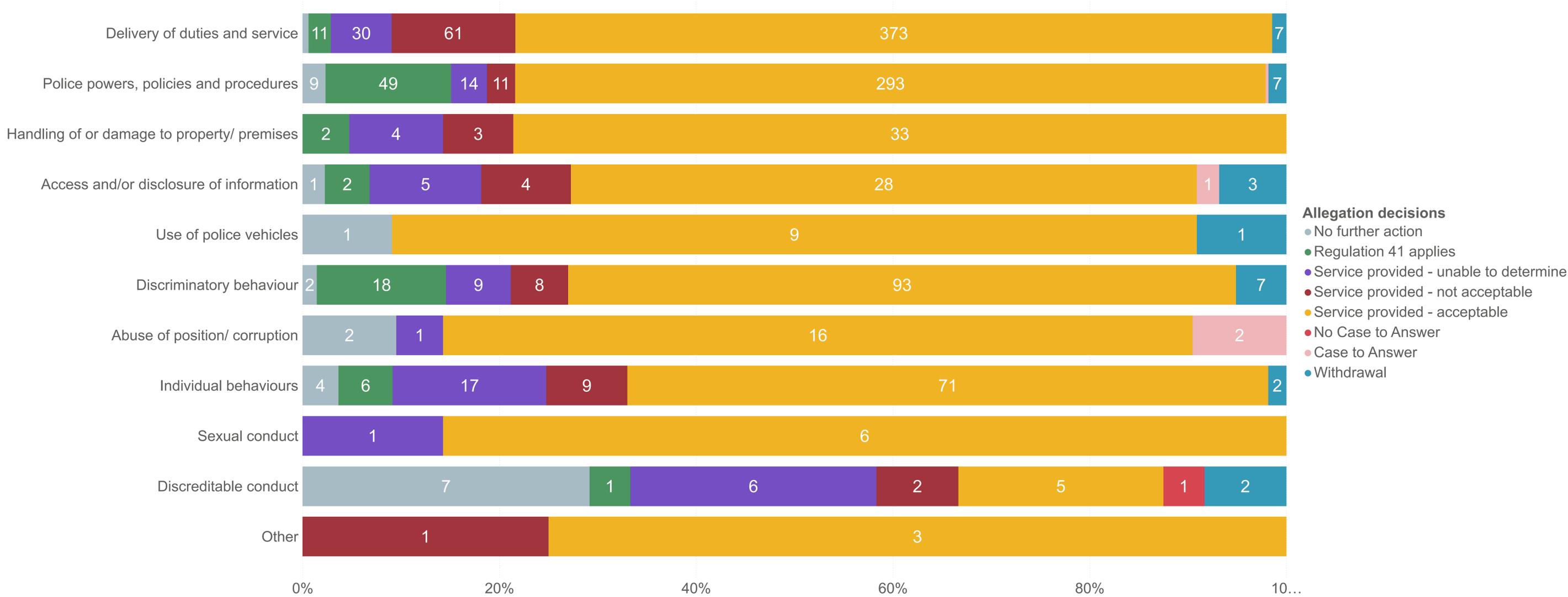
Section A3.2: Allegation decisions by what was complained about (Year to date by category)

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	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
Resolved	844	326	65	27	32	1	2	142	0	0	25	1,464
Not Resolved	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

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 [Guidance on capturing data about police complaints](#) 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.

Actions following outside of Schedule 3 complaint cases	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised						
Organisational learning	0	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %	176	0 %
Learning from reflection	7	0 %	11	1 %	32	2 %	1,043	3 %
Policy review	0	0 %	1	0 %	0	0 %	29	0 %
Goodwill gesture	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %	92	0 %
Apology	52	4 %	74	6 %	77	8 %	3,141	8 %
Debrief	0	0 %	7	1 %	22	1 %	387	1 %
Explanation	1,011	69 %	893	78 %	1,021	65 %	26,358	65 %
No further action	194	13 %	108	9 %	162	12 %	5,286	13 %
Other action	202	14 %	46	4 %	237	11 %	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 [Guidance on capturing data about police complaints](#) 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

Actions following Schedule 3 complaint cases	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised						
Organisational learning	7	1 %	11	1 %	6	0 %	346	1 %
Apology	22	2 %	24	2 %	57	3 %	1,647	4 %
Debrief	1	0 %	2	0 %	221	5 %	1,823	4 %
Explanation	902	71 %	770	73 %	988	64 %	29,333	64 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	9	0 %
No further action	249	20 %	202	19 %	242	18 %	8,724	19 %
Other action	20	2 %	4	0 %	10	1 %	379	1 %
Learning from reflection	59	5 %	36	3 %	96	7 %	2,446	5 %
Referral to RPRP	2	0 %	1	0 %	14	1 %	602	1 %

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

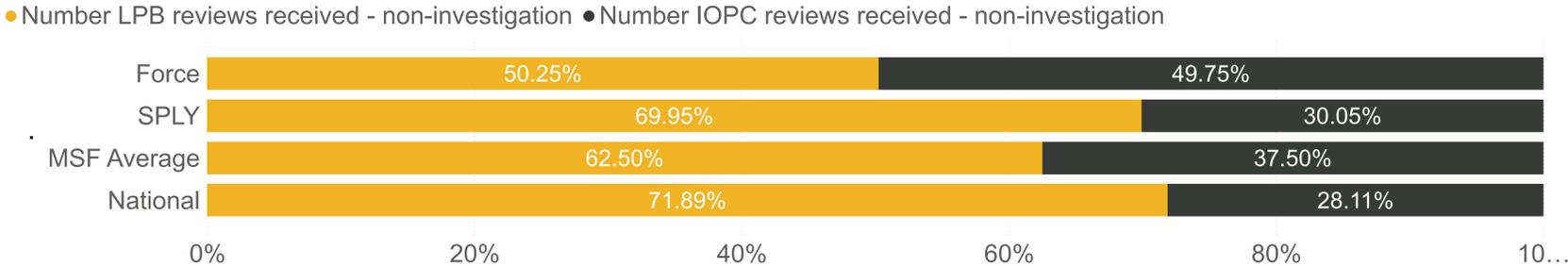
Complaint cases handled under Schedule 3 that are investigated and subject to Special Procedures can result in misconduct proceedings

Actions following Schedule 3 (special procedures) cases	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
	Allegations Finalised	% Allegations Finalised						
Misconduct proceedings	1	14 %	2	11 %	2	5 %	52	7 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Other actions following a case to answer decision	0	0 %	2	11 %	1	4 %	45	6 %
Referral to RPRP	0	0 %	1	5 %	2	9 %	92	12 %

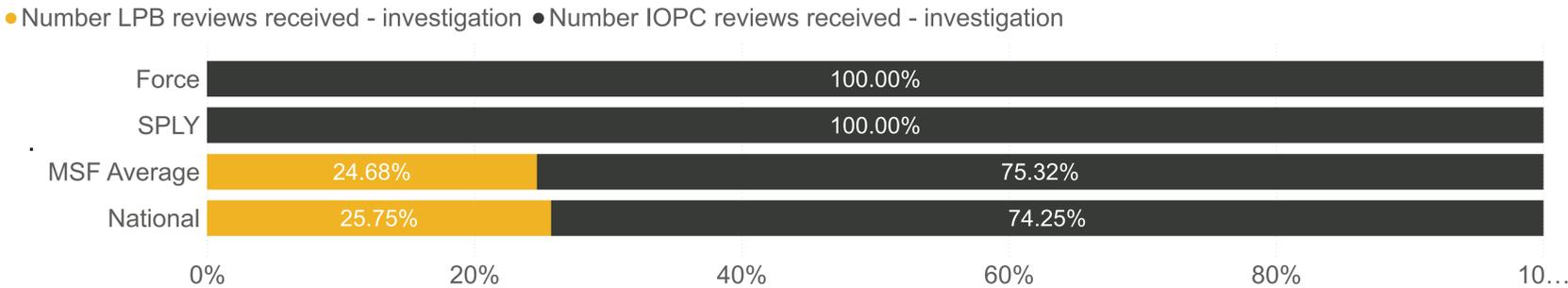
Section C1: Reviews received and timeliness (Year to date)

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 [Statutory Guidance](#)

Non-investigation reviews received	LPB	IOPC
Force	100	99
SPLY	128	55
MSF Average	54	33
National	2,222	869

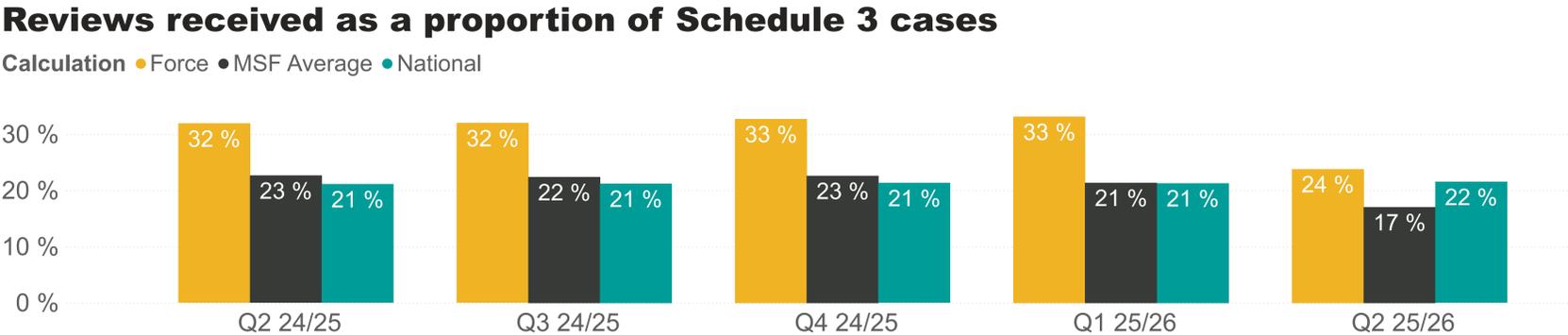


Investigation reviews received	LPB	IOPC
Force	0	15
SPLY	0	19
MSF Average	5	15
National	145	418



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	214	765
SPLY	202	682
MSF Average	106	587
National	3,654	17,058



	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Average number of working days to complete Local Policing Body reviews	36	10	42	46
Average number of working days to complete IOPC reviews	110	117	137	139

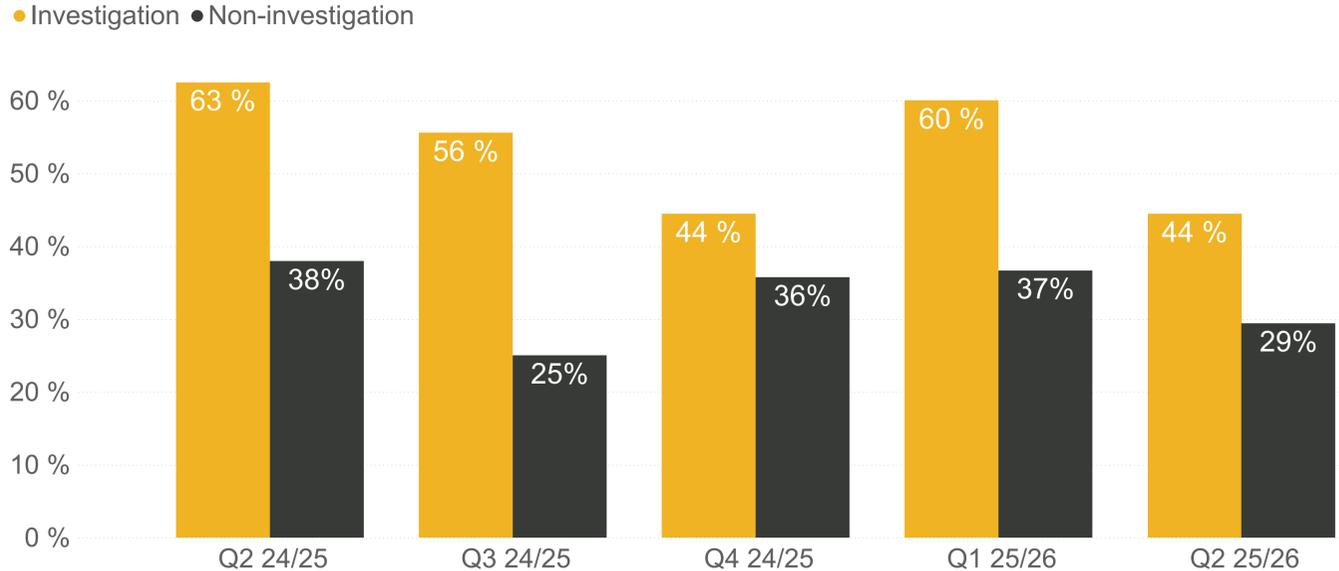
Section C2: Outcomes on reviews

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.

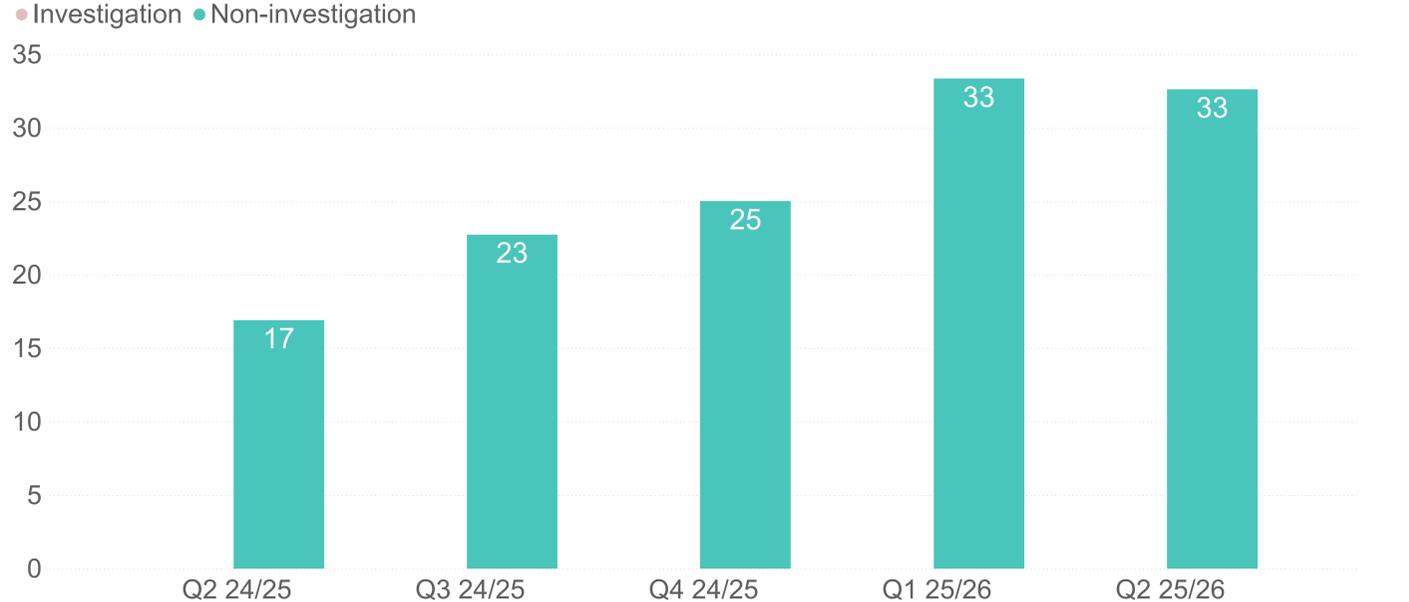
Investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed investigation (IOPC)	Upheld investigation (IOPC)	Completed investigation (LPB)	Upheld investigation (LPB)
Force	14	7	0	
SPLY	17	7	0	
MSF Average	20	6	4	9
National	595	160	147	47

Non-investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed non-investigation (IOPC)	Upheld non-investigation (IOPC)	Completed non-investigation (LPB)	Upheld non-investigation (LPB)
Force	81	26	91	30
SPLY	47	14	126	21
MSF Average	37	10	54	11
National	949	244	1,971	392

% IOPC reviews upheld - Force



% LPB Reviews upheld - Force



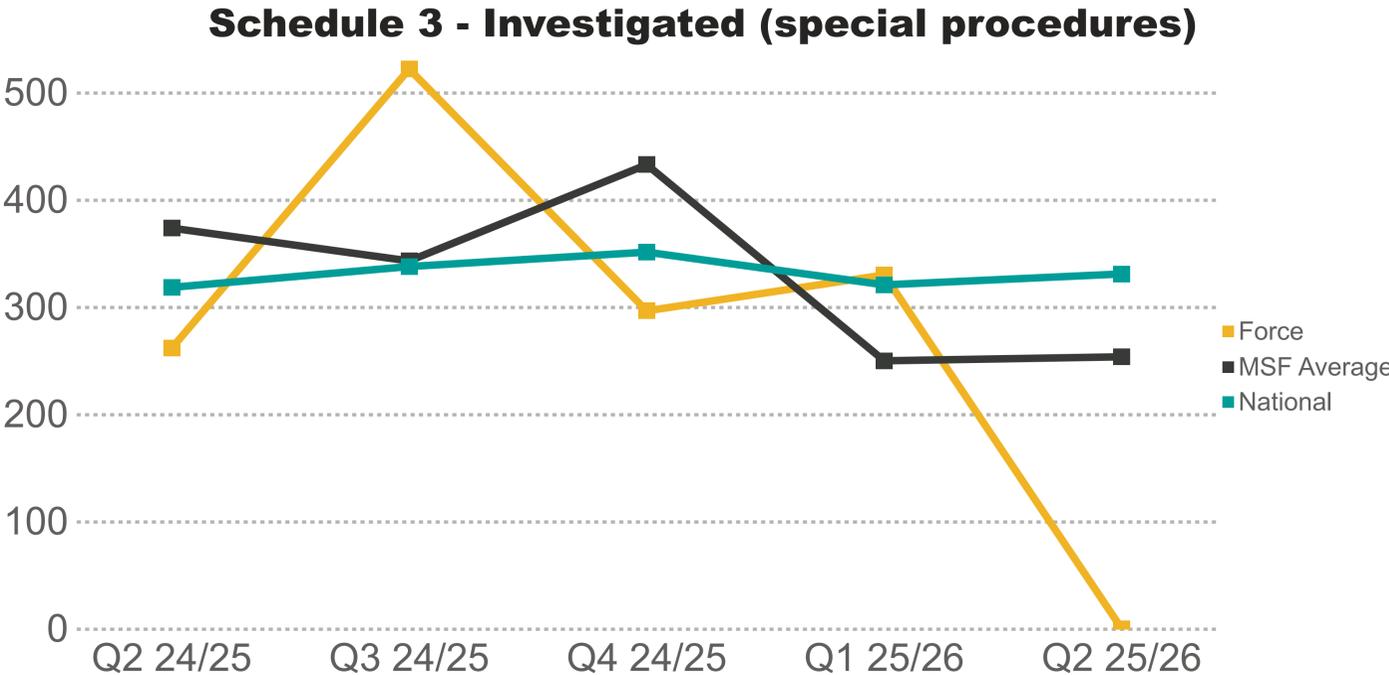
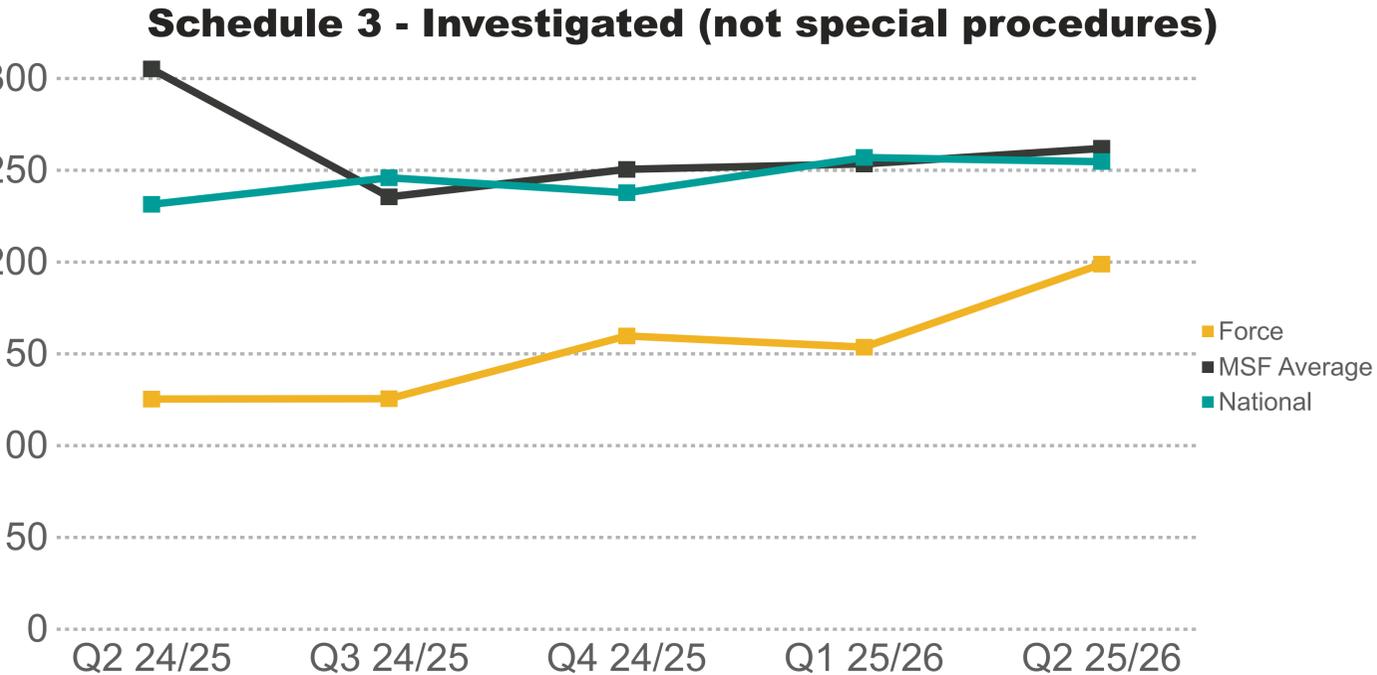
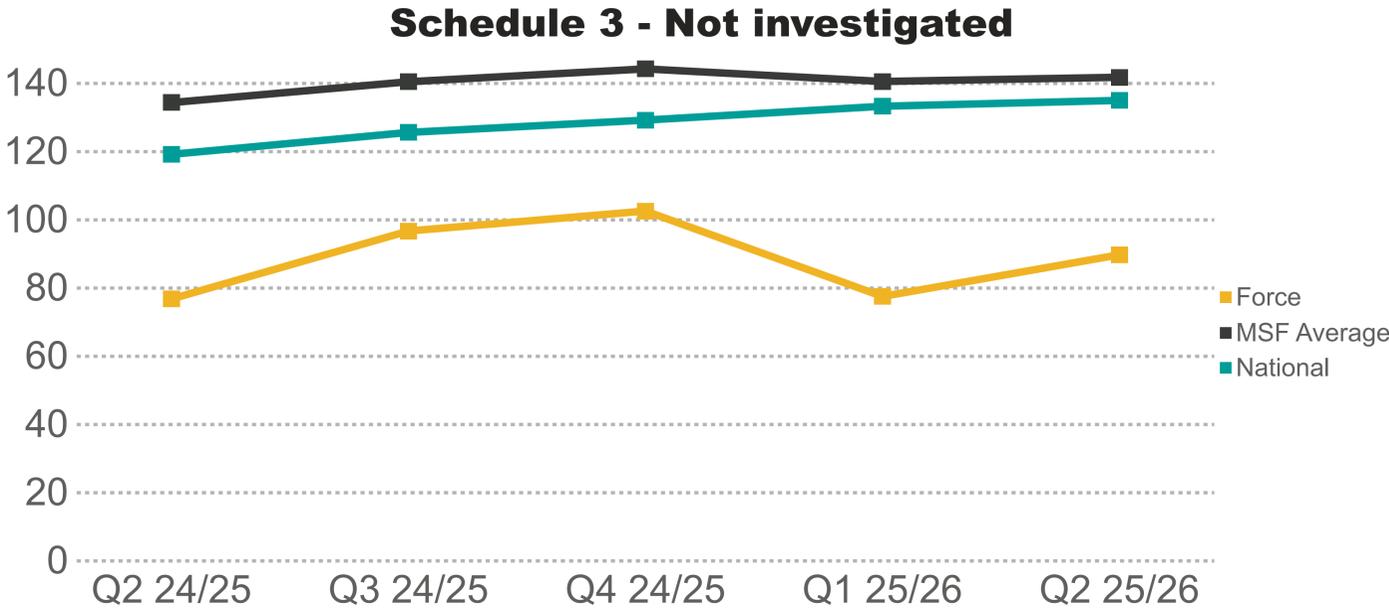
Section D1: Complaint cases finalised under Schedule 3 - timeliness

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 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.

Complaint cases with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the [IOPC website](#) performance framework counting rules and calculations on the for an explanation of invalid dates. For more information on the proportion of complaints handled under each method (along with outside if Schedule 3) please see page 14

Average working days to finalise (Year to date)	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	330	248	349	326
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	173	143	257	256
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	84	85	141	134
Total	95	95	165	155

Number finalised (Year to date)	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	689	581	488	14,328
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	69	88	91	2,409
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	7	13	8	321
Total	765	682	587	17,058

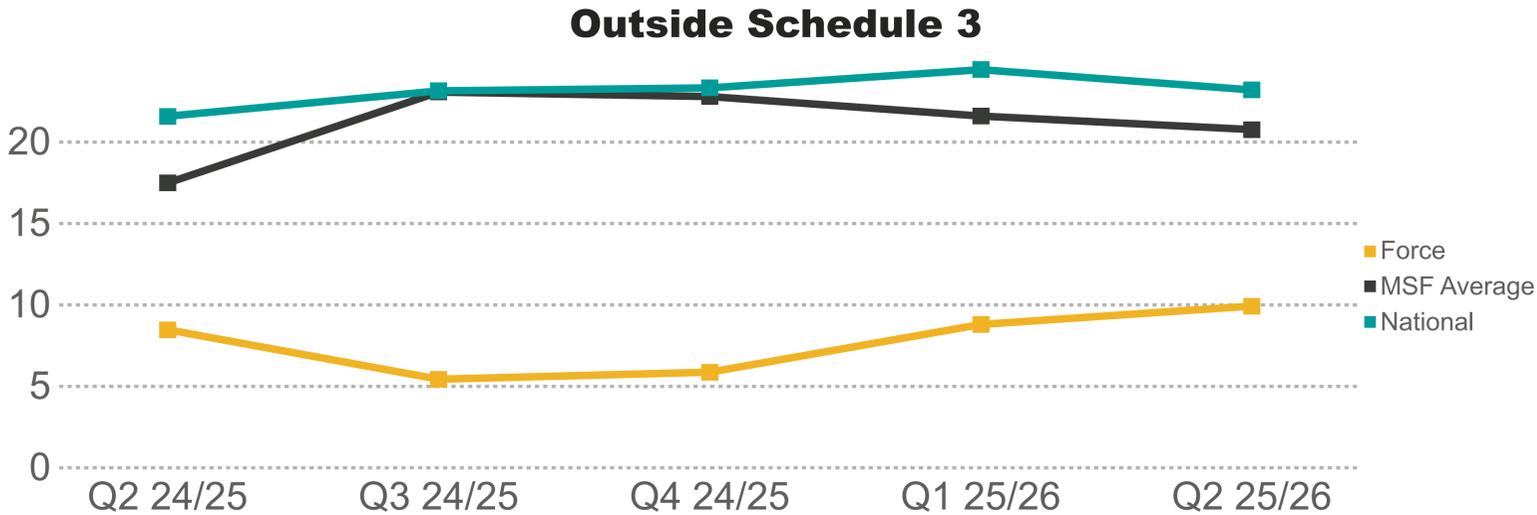


Section D2: Complaint cases finalised outside of Schedule 3 - timeliness

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 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. Complaint cases with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the [IOPC website](#) performance framework counting rules and calculations on the for an explanation of invalid dates.

Year to date

	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3	1397	1136	1272	34375
Average days to finalise complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3	9	8	21	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		MSF Average		National	
	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised						
Outside of Schedule 3	1,397	65%	1,136	62%	1,272	68%	34,375	67%
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	689	32%	581	32%	488	26%	14,328	28%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	69	3%	88	5%	91	5%	2,411	5%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	7	0%	13	1%	8	0%	321	1%
Total	2,162	100%	1,818	100%	1,859	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) • Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)



Section E: Referrals

The figures presented in this section include all referrals that the force makes to the IOPC (received), not just those arising from complaints.

When the IOPC receives a referral from the force, it reviews the information they have provided. The IOPC decides whether the matter requires an investigation, and the type of investigation.

Referrals may have been completed in a different period to when they were received.

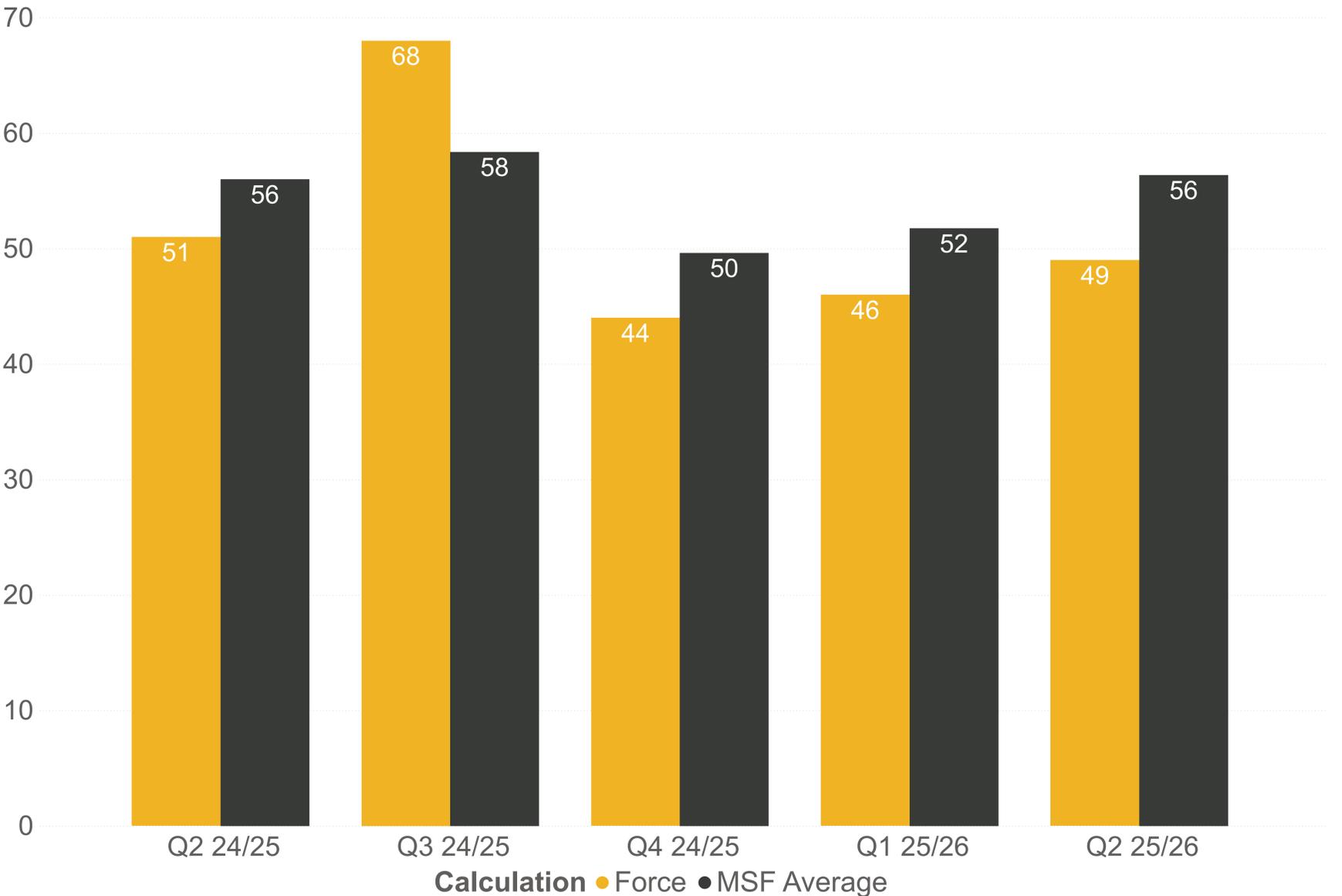
Where a referral is made by the force on a mandatory basis but does not meet the mandatory referral criteria, the matter may not fall within the IOPC’s remit to assess and will be determined invalid.

The sum of decisions may not match the number of referrals completed. This is because some matters referred may have come to the attention of the appropriate authority before 1 February 2020 and have investigation type decisions of either managed or supervised.

Year to date

	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Number referrals received	95	115	108	3,397
Number referrals completed	95	114	108	3,401
Decision: Independent Investigation	1	13	6	189
Decision: Directed Investigation	0	0	0	12
Decision: Local Investigation	53	66	52	1,702
Decision: Return to Force	41	35	48	1,448
Decision: Invalid	0	0	1	49

Force and MSF Group referrals received



Most Similar Force (MSF) Group: Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Northumbria, Nottinghamshire, South Wales, South Yorkshire, West Midlands, West Yorksh...

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 \(February 2020\)](#).