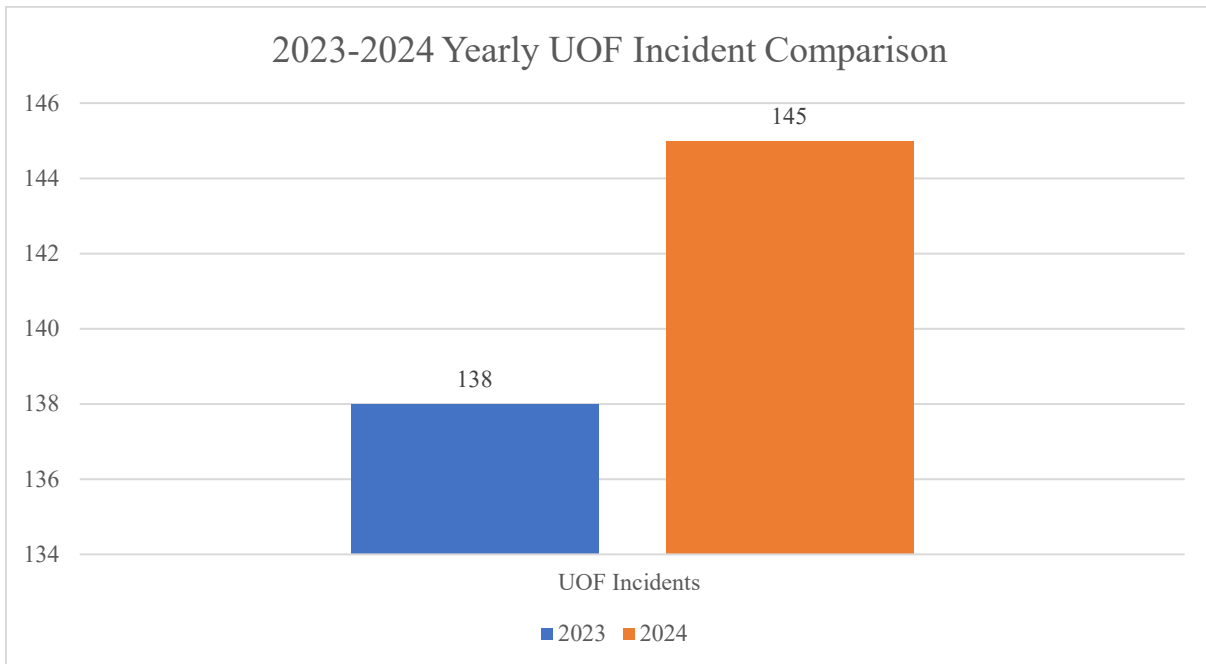


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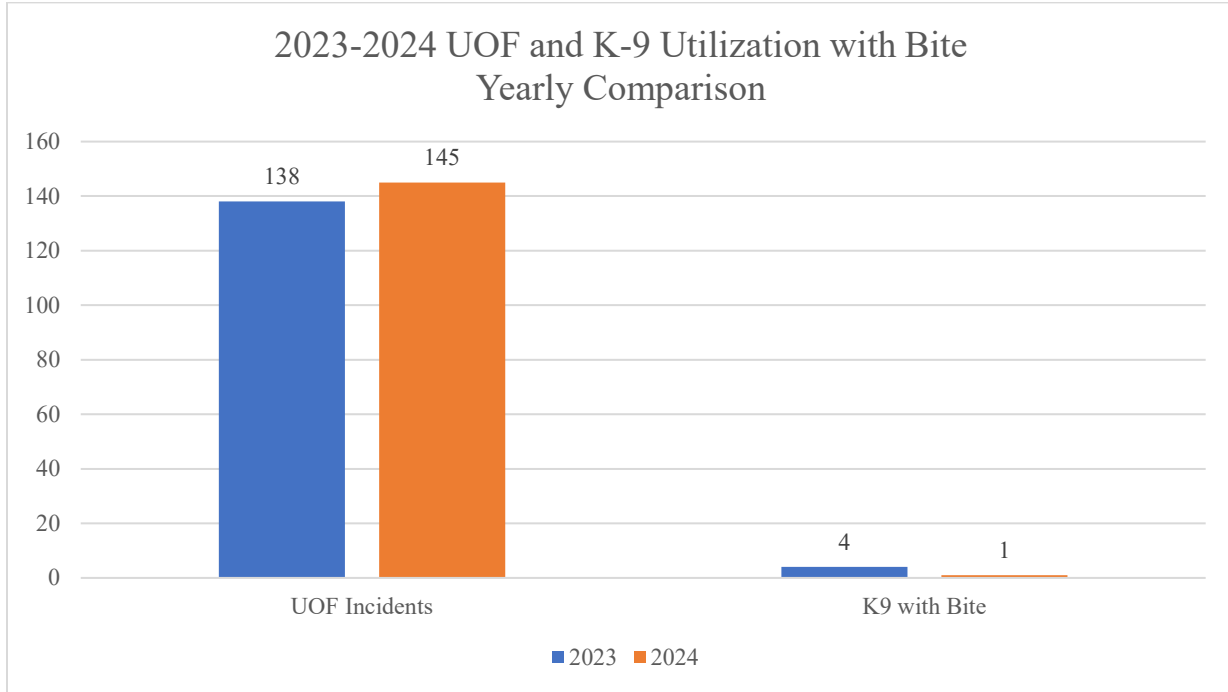
This is the 2024 Use of Force Analysis Report that is required by CALEA Standard 4.2.4 and Knoxville Police Department policy. The report provides an overview for the department and training staff to examine police officers' actions, evaluate performance and identify areas where officers and supervisors may show deficiencies during use of force incidents for 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024.

The following report displays graphs, charts and a brief synopsis of the statistics surrounding incidents that resulted in officers utilized different types of force in response to citizen resistance. From this report, staff can identify areas where the department demonstrates proficiencies as well as areas of concern that may need to be addressed with additional training.

In 2024, officers of the Knoxville Police Department engaged in 145 documentable use of force (UOF) incidents, including one K-9 Apprehension with Bite report and four officer involved shootings. This is an overall decrease of three K-9 apprehension reports from 2023. Three of the four OIS were fatal and investigated by TBI. All the officers involved in the shootings were exonerated of any wrongdoing.

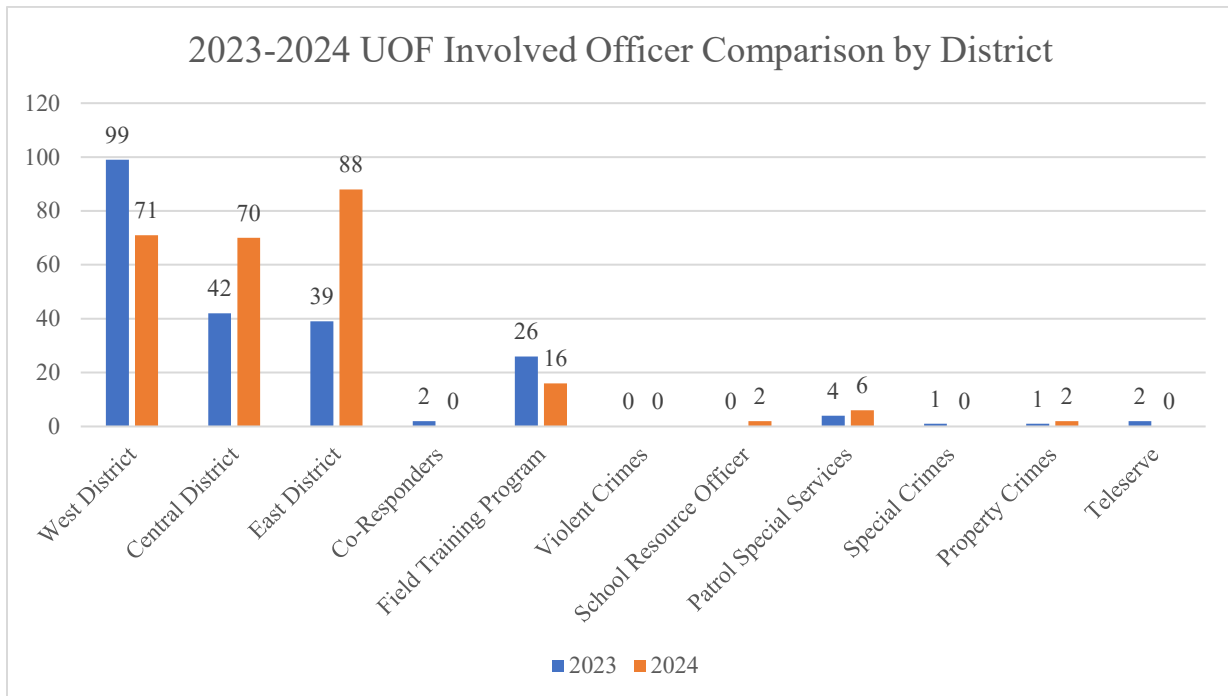


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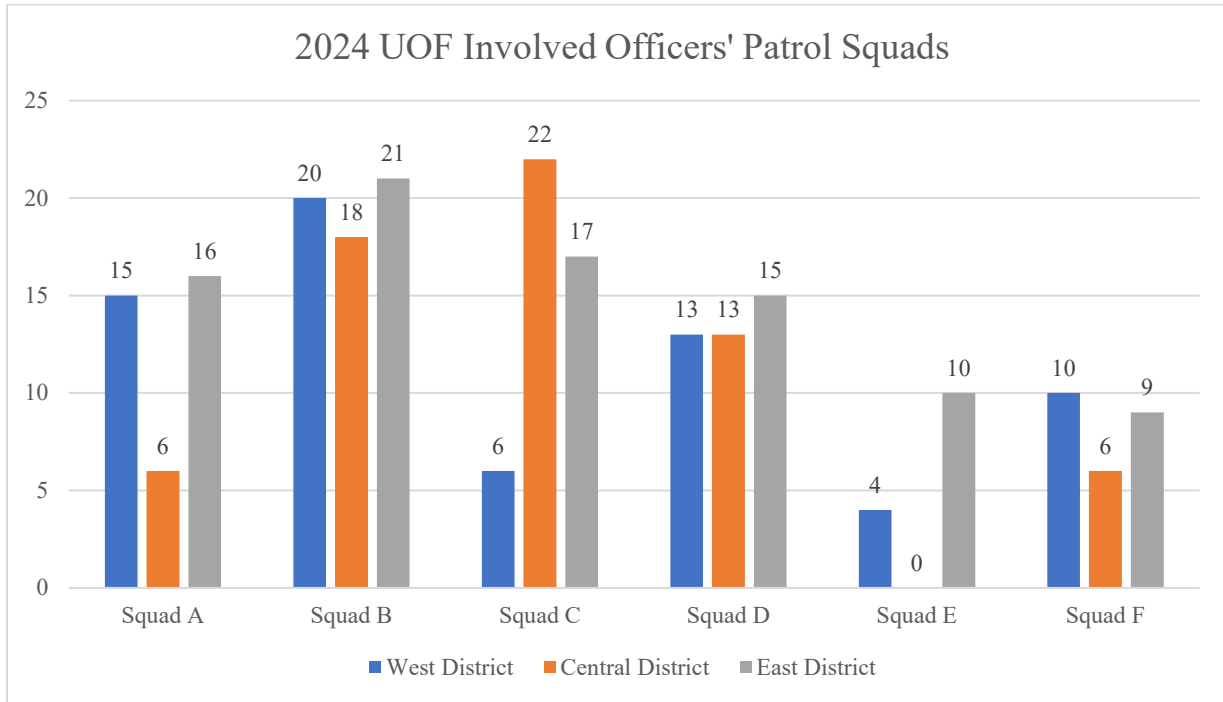


Comparison by District and Squad

In 2024, officers assigned to the East District were involved in the most UOF incidents; in contrast to the numbers reported in 2023. The graph showing the number of UOF incidents reported by each patrol squad reflects the East District’s lead.

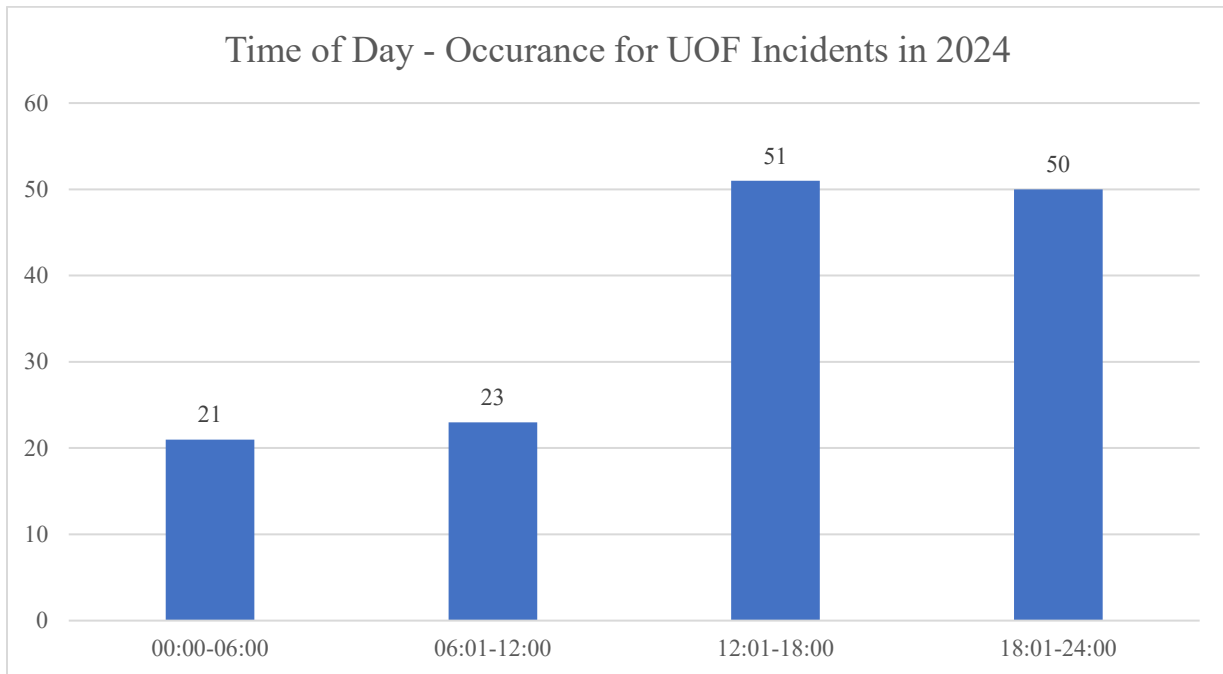


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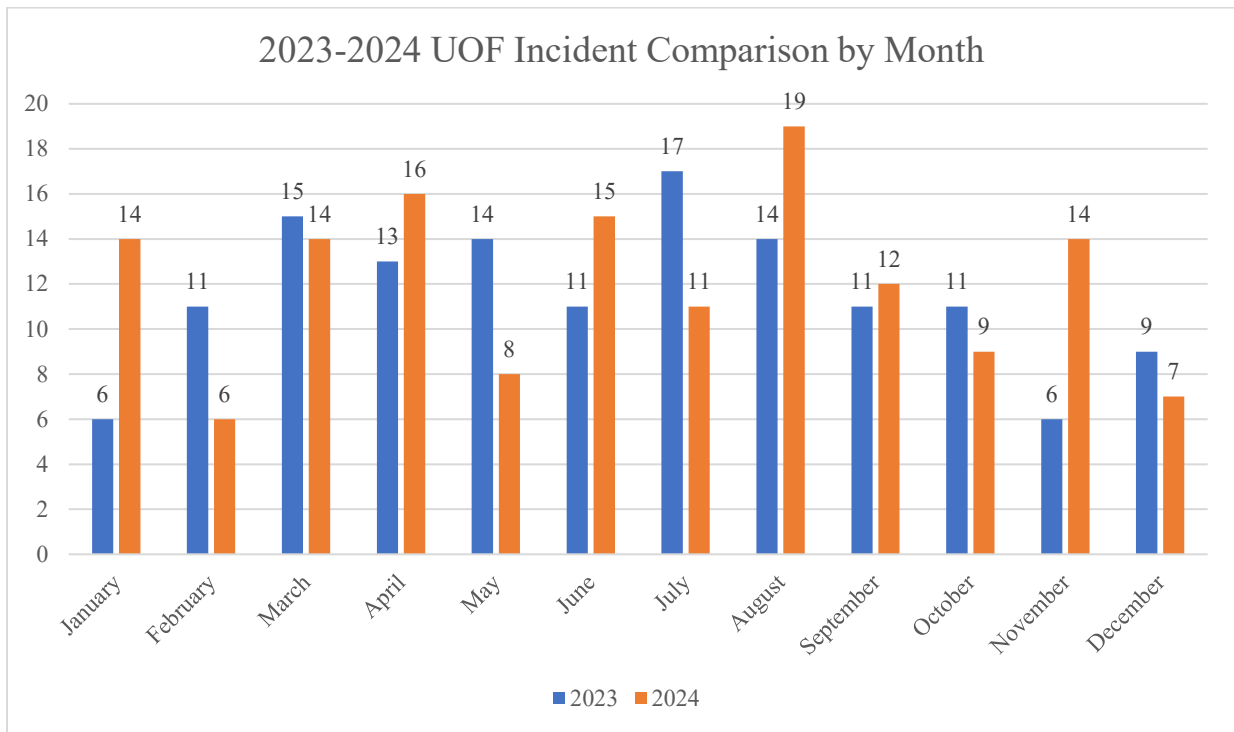
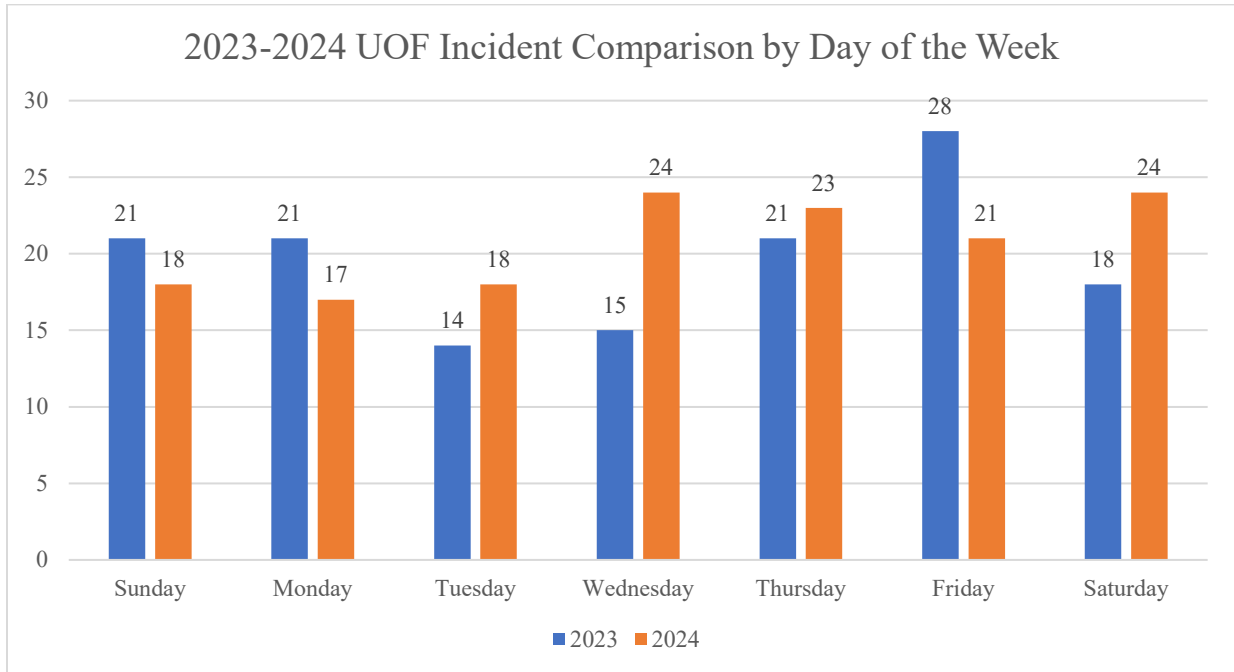


Comparison by Day and Month

The following graphs depict the UOF incidents reported in 2023 and 2024 compared by the month and day of the week on which they occurred. There is also a graph depicting the time of day UOF incidents occurred in 2024.



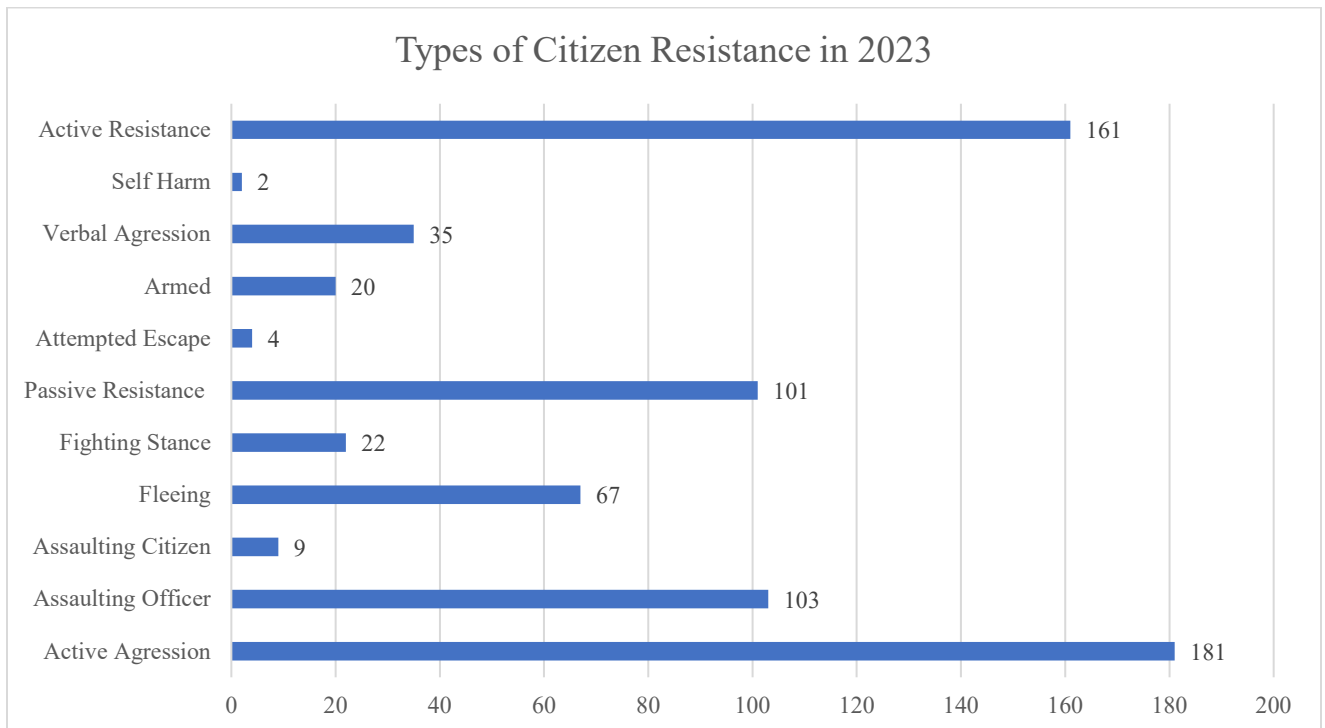
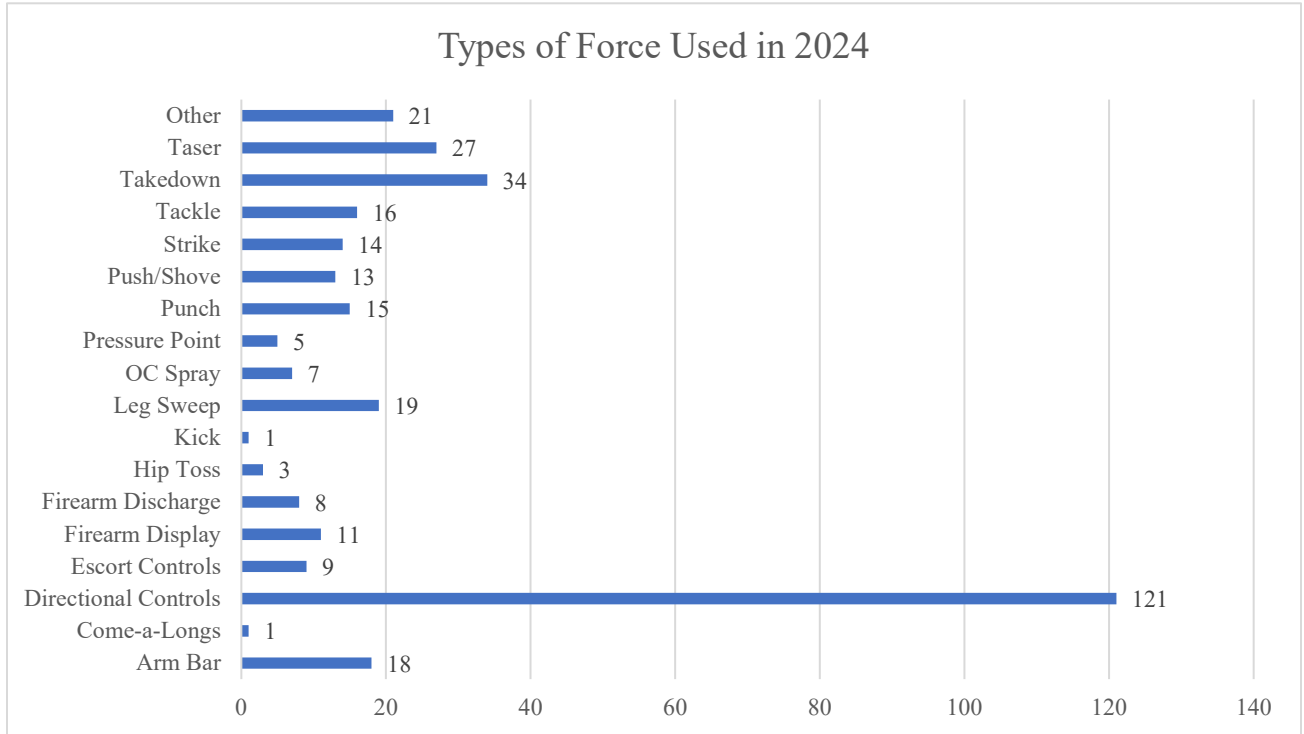
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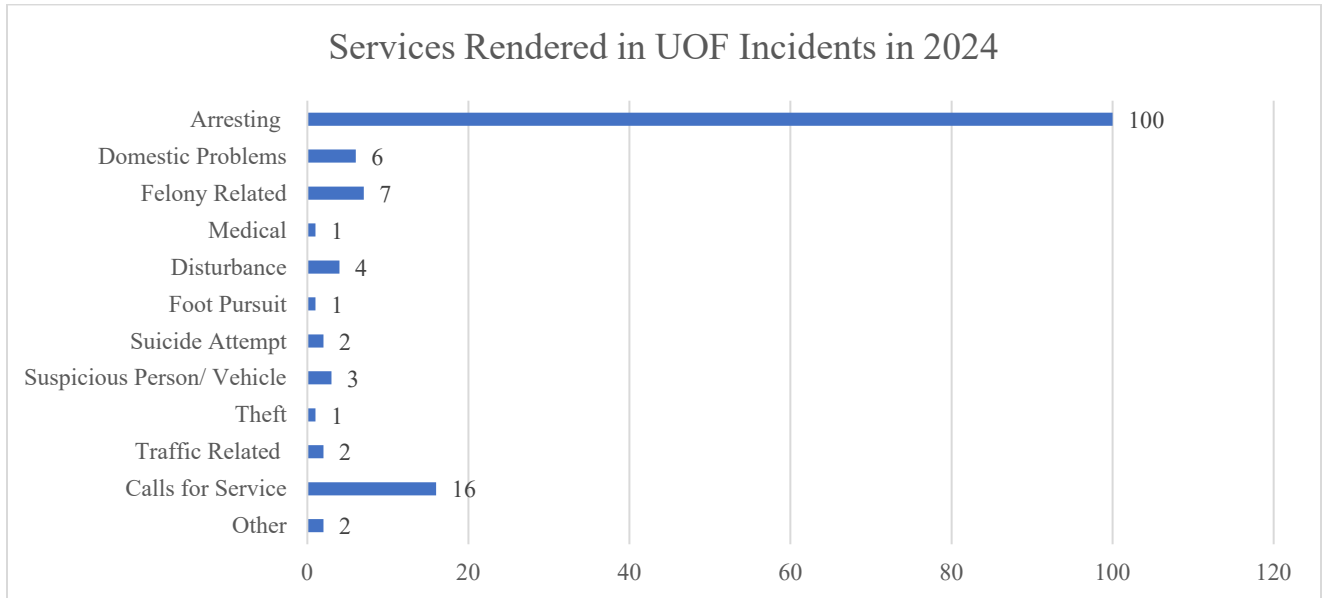
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Types of Force, Resistance, and Services Rendered

The following charts show what types of resistance resulted in a UOF incident and what types of force officers utilized in response during 2024. The third graph shows what types of service or calls led to UOF incidents during 2024.

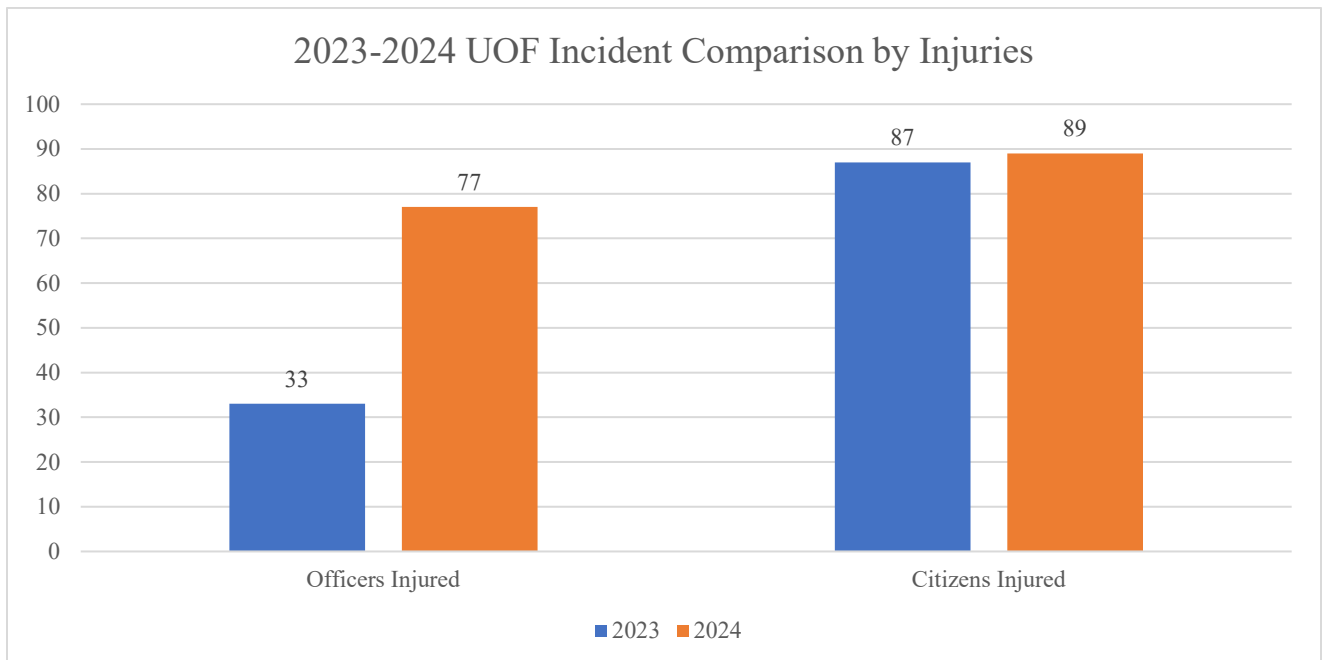


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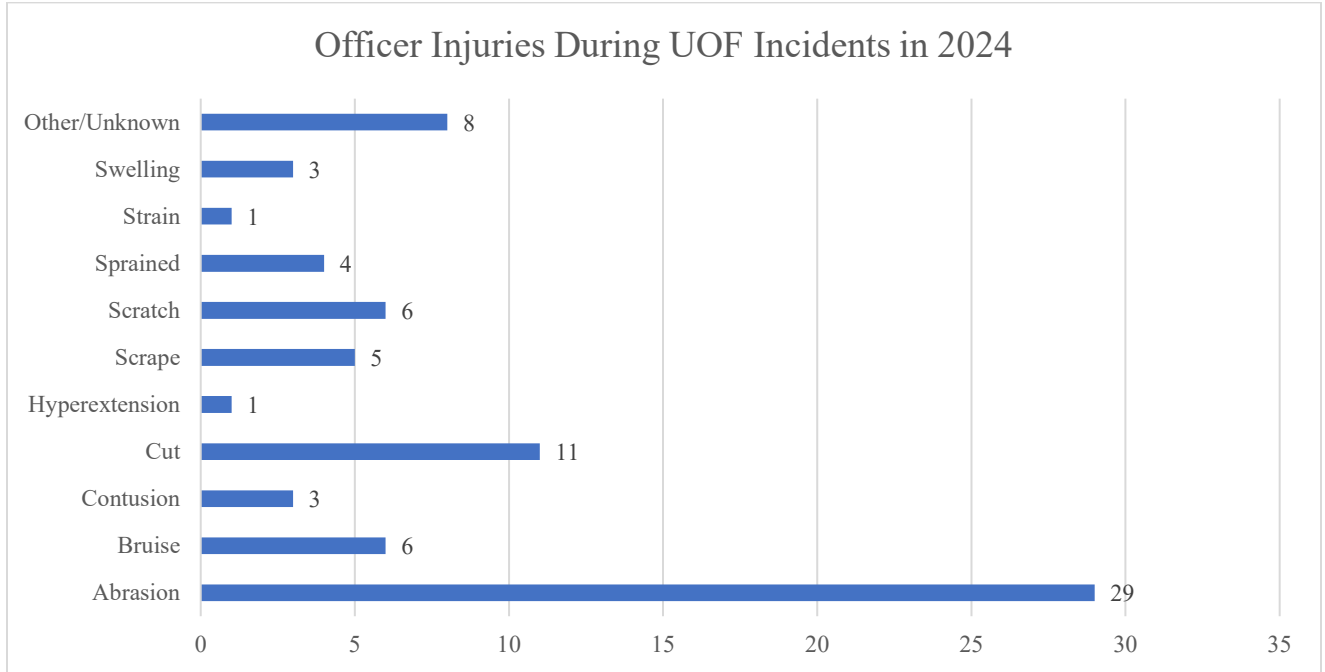


Comparison by Injury

The following graph compares how many citizens and officers were injured or hospitalized as a result of a UOF incident in 2023 and 2024. The next chart breaks down what types of injuries officers sustained during UOF incidents in 2024.

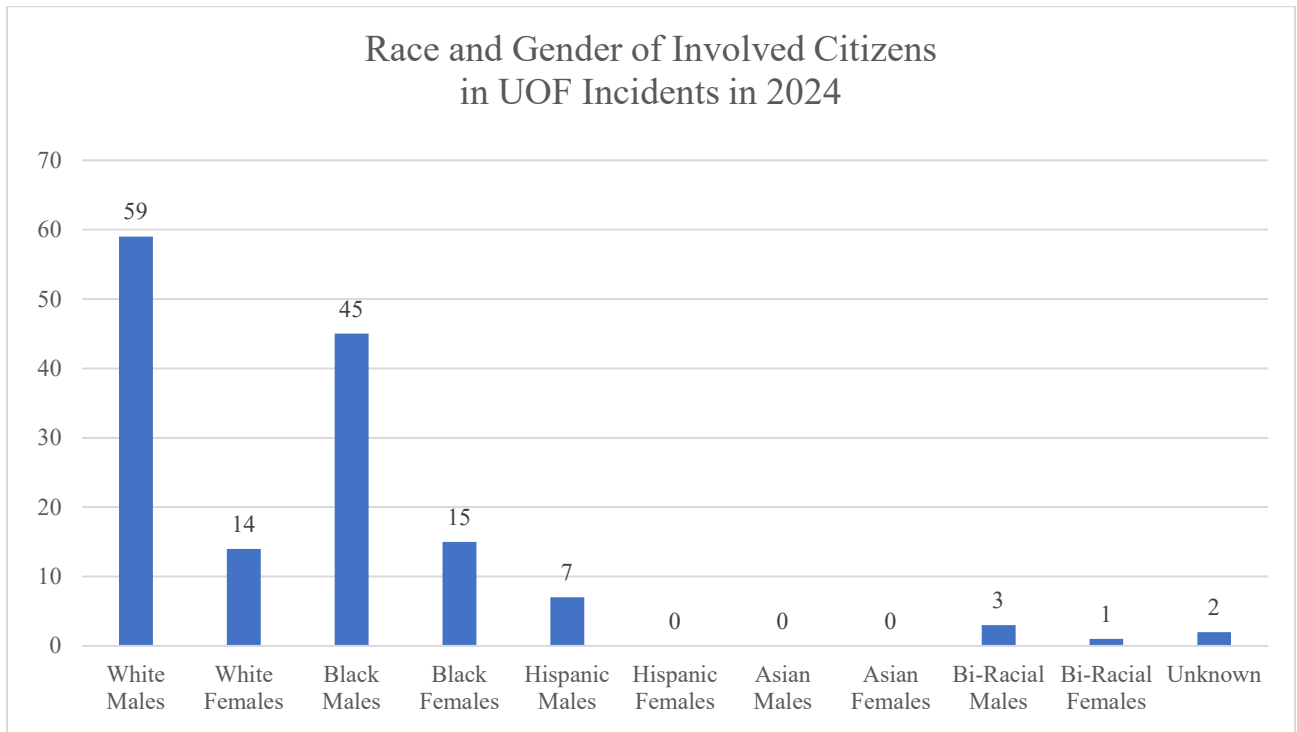


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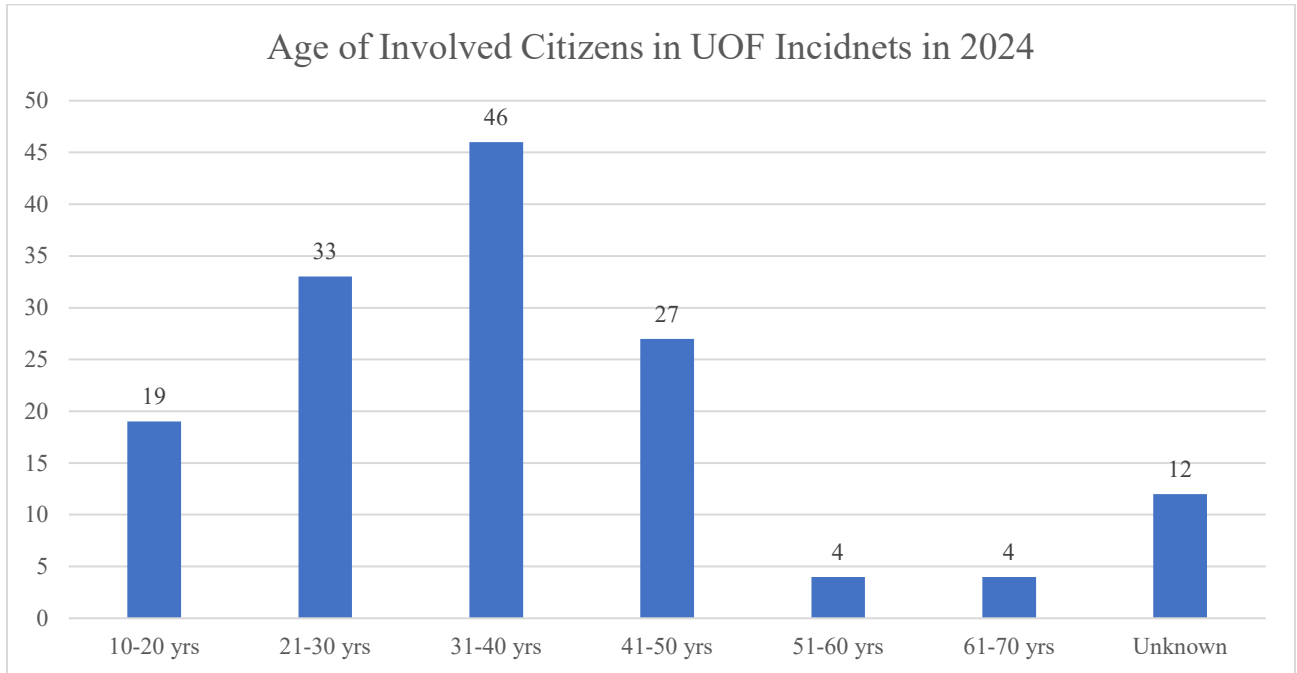


Involved Citizen Demographics

The following data makes comparisons between the demographics of citizens involved in UOF incidents during the 2024 calendar year; including race, gender, and age.



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Office of Professional Standards Recommendations

- ❖ Continued focus on training of de-escalation tactics to reduce the potential need for use of force is recommended. De-escalation tactics are designed to prevent potential violence and result in less uses of force by officers.

- ❖ It is recommended that the department continues CIT training for all basic recruit classes and that further specialized training opportunities are available. Officers frequently engage with individuals facing mental health issues or crises, and benefit from the skills they develop in CIT training. All officers receive basic Crisis Intervention Training in the Academy as a recruit.

- ❖ In 2023 all employees attended Active Bystandership for Law Enforcement (ABLE) training. It is recommended that continued updates and recognition of examples of this philosophy be conducted in roll-calls and at the team levels. This training should also continue in basic recruit training.

- ❖ The Knoxville Police Department Use of Force policy is currently being reviewed for suitable updates and to incorporate appropriate recommendations from the 21CP and other consultative sources. Once that update is completed thorough review will be conducted with all employees.

- ❖ In conjunction with the UOF Policy update, reporting processes will also be implemented in order to glean better information for more specific analysis.

Trends and Patterns

- ❖ The majority of individuals involved in use of force incidents were black or white males between the ages of twenty-one and forty years old.

- ❖ There were no notable trends with regards to injuries sustained during use of force incidents by employees or involved subjects. The majority of injuries that were reported were minor.