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About this bulletin

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

It sets out performance against a number of measures and compares force results to their most similar for (MSF) group and with the overall result for all forces (national).

Data relating to complaints made prior to 1 February 2020 will be reported separately and in line with the performance framework

Please note: data about complaints handled outside of Schedule 3 to the PRA 2002 by Bedfordshire Police Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Hertfordshire Constabularly and Northumbria Police is not included in this because of technical issues. This will have an effect on the MSF averages, which include these forces, an national figures. The IOPC is working with these forces to ensure reporting of these complaint cases is po the future.

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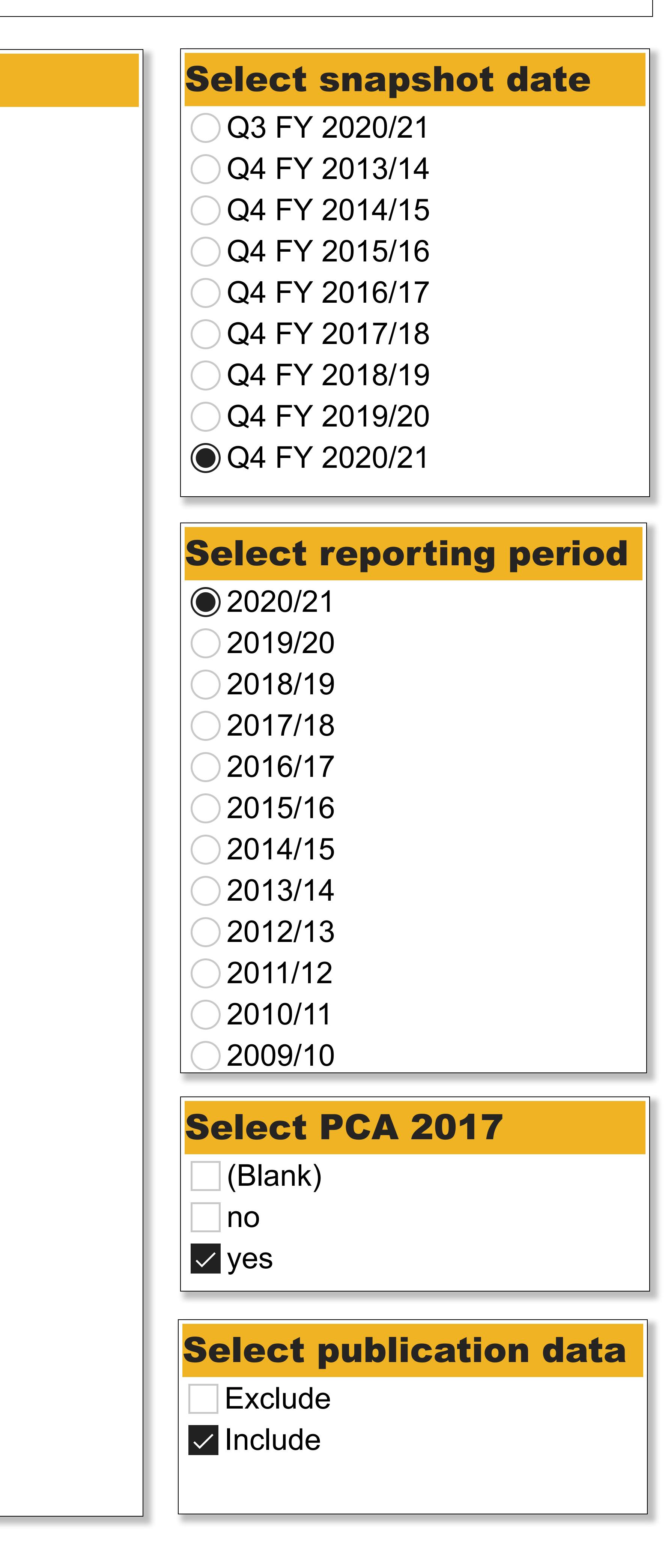
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Section A1.1: complaint cases and allegations logged – timeliness and per 1,000 employees

	To contact cu	ustomers	To log compla	int cases
Average number of working days		Customer perspective	Initial handling performance	Customer perspective
Force	5	5	10	11
MSF Average	3	4	6	7
National	7	7	6	6

Please note: average times presented in the above table are rounded to the nearest whole number. In comparison, the charts below present the exact result.



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No. of allegations logged per 1,000 employees No. of complaint cases logged per 1,000 employ

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This section presents information relating to the force's contact with customers and their initial handling of the complaint cases. It shows how long, on average it takes from the customer's perspective from when they made the complaint, and the force's performance of the initial handling from when it received the complaint.

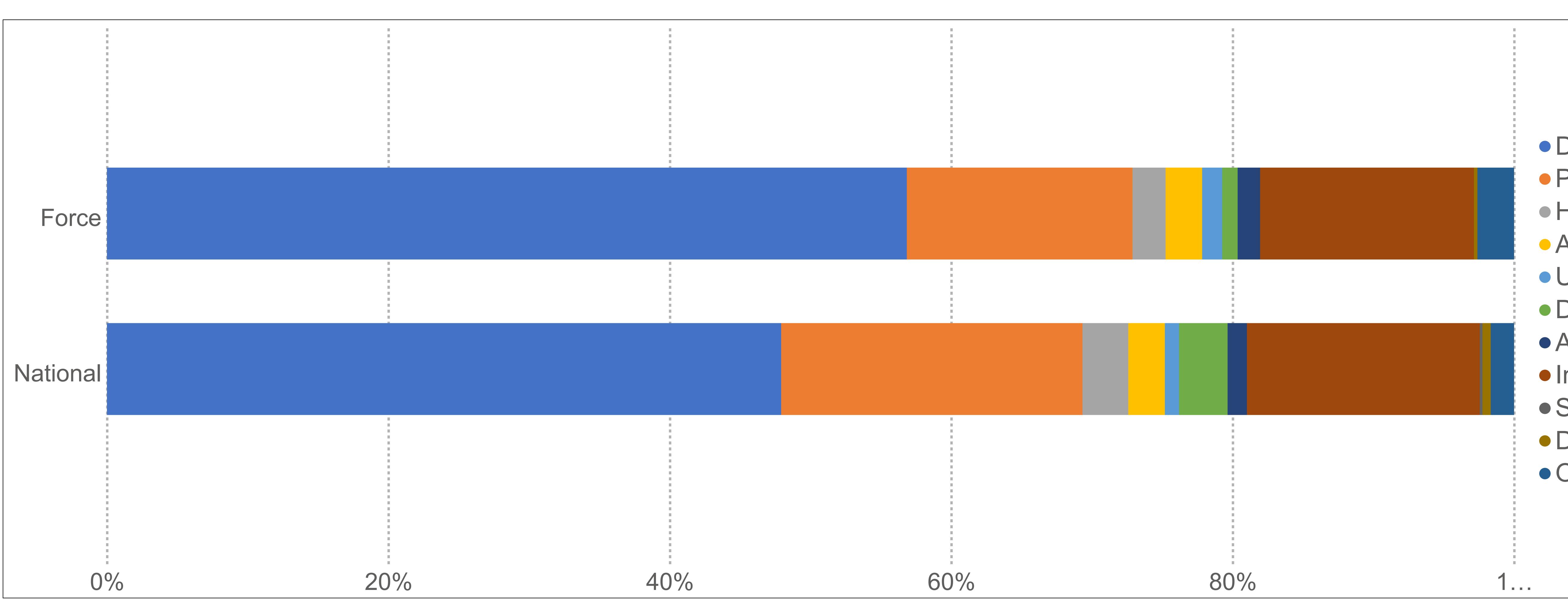
Complaint cases with 'invalid dates' have been removed from timeliness measures. Please refer to the performance framework counting rules and calculations on the **IOPC** website for explanations of customer perspective, initial handling and invalid dates.



	Force	MSF Average	National
	531	534	467
yees	443	364	290

Section A1.2: allegations logged - what has been complained about

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	Force	677	191	28	31	17	13	19	181		3	31	1,191
Number	MSF Average	826	329	57	52	18	42	27	315	3	6	25	1,698
	National	52,300	23,368	3,553	2,845	1,104	3,764	1,490	18,073	199	648	1,807	109,151
	Force	57%	16%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	15%		0%	3%	
Percentage	MSF Average	50%	19%	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	18%	0%	0%	2%	
	National	48%	21%	3%	3%	1%	3%	1%	17%	0%	1%	2%	



Notes

This section presents information that shows what people complain about. Allegation categories capture the root of the dissatisfaction expressed in a complaint. A complaint case will contain one or more allegations and one category is selected for each allegation logged. Please refer to our <u>Guidance on capturing data about police complaints</u> for guidance on logging allegations and complaint category definitions.

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 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

Section A1.3: allegations logged – what has been complained about -

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- ps, and stop and search arches of premises and seizure of property ver to arrest and detain tention in police custody identification and interview procedures of force dential procedures of court disposals
- ner policies and procedures

e of police systems closure of information ndling of information cessing and handling of information from other rces

- professional attitude and disrespect k of fairness and impartiality erbearing or harassing behaviours polite language / tone polite and intolerant actions
- ner neglect or failure in duty

- top '	five all	egation	catego	ories and
Ford	;e	MSF Av	erage	Nat
No.	%	No.	%	No.
677	57 %	826	50 %	52,300
407	60 %	360	42 %	23,155
103	15 %	114	14 %	7,524
93	14 %	265	33 %	16,612
73	11 %	87	10 %	5,006
1	0 %	1	0 %	3
191	16 %	329	19 %	23,368
11	6 %	19	6 %	2,275
52	27 %	54	17 %	3,168
15	8 %	49	14 %	3,407
29	15 %	54	16 %	3,176
2	1 %	11	3 %	702
36	19 %	96	26 %	6,752
2	1 %	11	4 %	1,212
4	2 %	4	1 %	311
40	21 %	31	12 %	2,362
		1	0 %	3
31	3 %	52	3 %	2,845
1	3 %	5	8 %	233
22	71 %	35	69 %	1,898
8	26 %	10	20 %	601
		2	4 %	113
181	15 %	315	18 %	18,073
43	24 %	84	27 %	4,687
29	16 %	50	16 %	2,954
22	12 %	45	14 %	3,419
72	40 %	92	29 %	4,645
15	8 %	44	14 %	2,367
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Notes

This section presents the five 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.

Section A1.4: allegations logged – what has been complained about (category) and the situational context of complaints (factors)

	Allegation category											
Factors	<section-header></section-header>	Police powers, policies and procedures	or damage	<section-header></section-header>	<section-header></section-header>	behaviour		behaviours			Other	
Arrest	13	37	2			2	2	8				64
Call Handling	52	2	1	2				10			1	68
Child protection / CSA / CSE	21	6		1			2	5				35
Coronavirus – other	3	4						2			1	10
Coronavirus – police powers on restricti	4							1			2	7
Custody	4	41	2				1	2				50
Death	1	1						1				3
Domestic / gender abuse	37	5	2	2				5				51
Drugs / alcohol	10	13	1				1	2				27
Firearms	2	1						1				4
Fraud	7											7
Hate Crime	2											2
Investigation	294	22	7	7		7	10	60			2	409
Mental health	51	22		5		2	6	27				113
Missing persons	1	1	1	1								4
Neighbourhood policing	111	1		2	1	3		30			6	154
None	65	19	9	13	1		3	22		1	15	148
Police dogs or horses											1	1
Premises search	7	27	3					4				41
Public order incident	1	2										3
Restraint equipment		2						1				3
Roads/traffic	44	24			15			18		2	2	105
Serious injury	1	1										2
Social media	4	4		2				2			1	13
Stop and/or search	11	7						7				25
Taser		1										1

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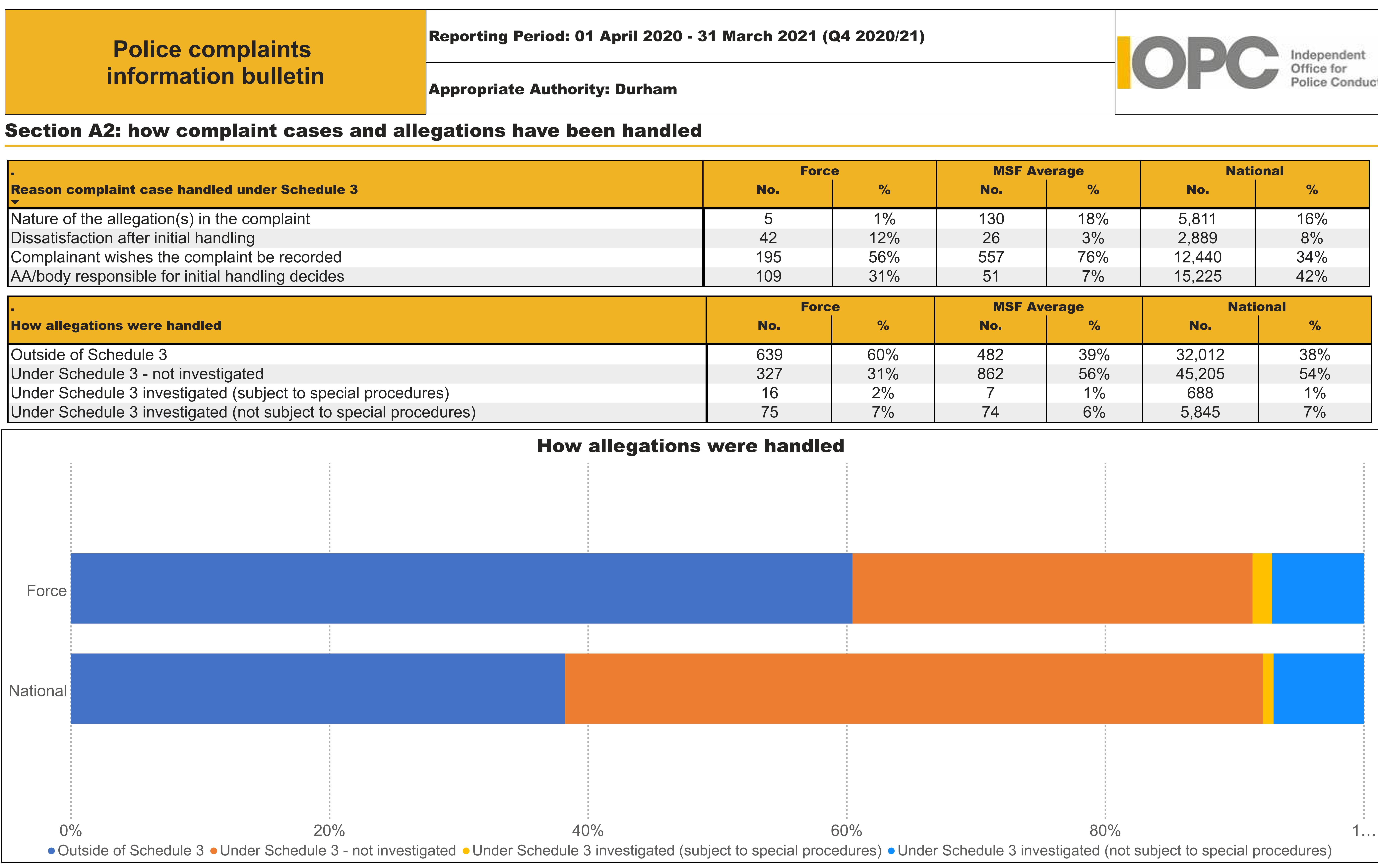
This section presents information that shows what people are complaining about using a combination of allegation categories and factors. Categories capture the root of the dissatisfaction expressed in a complaint. The combination of categories and factors provides a richer picture of what people are 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.

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Notes

This section presents the number of complaint cases handled under Schedule 3 of the PRA 2002 and the reasons why. A breakdown of how allegations were handled, including whether they were investigated under Schedule 3 or otherwise than by investigation (not investigated) is also given.

Please note that figures presented in the second table may be under-representing the number of allegations finalised under Schedule 3 and investigated (not suject to special procedures), instead grouping some of these allegations as finalised under Schedule 3 and not investigated. This is because police forces were not able to consistently and accurately collect this data on their systems until the implementation of an upgrade from November 2020.

	Force		Force MSF Average			onal
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
	5	1%	130	18%	5,811	16%
	42	12%	26	3%	2,889	8%
	195	56%	557	76%	12,440	34%
	109	31%	51	7%	15,225	42%
Force		MSF Av	/erage	Nati	onal	

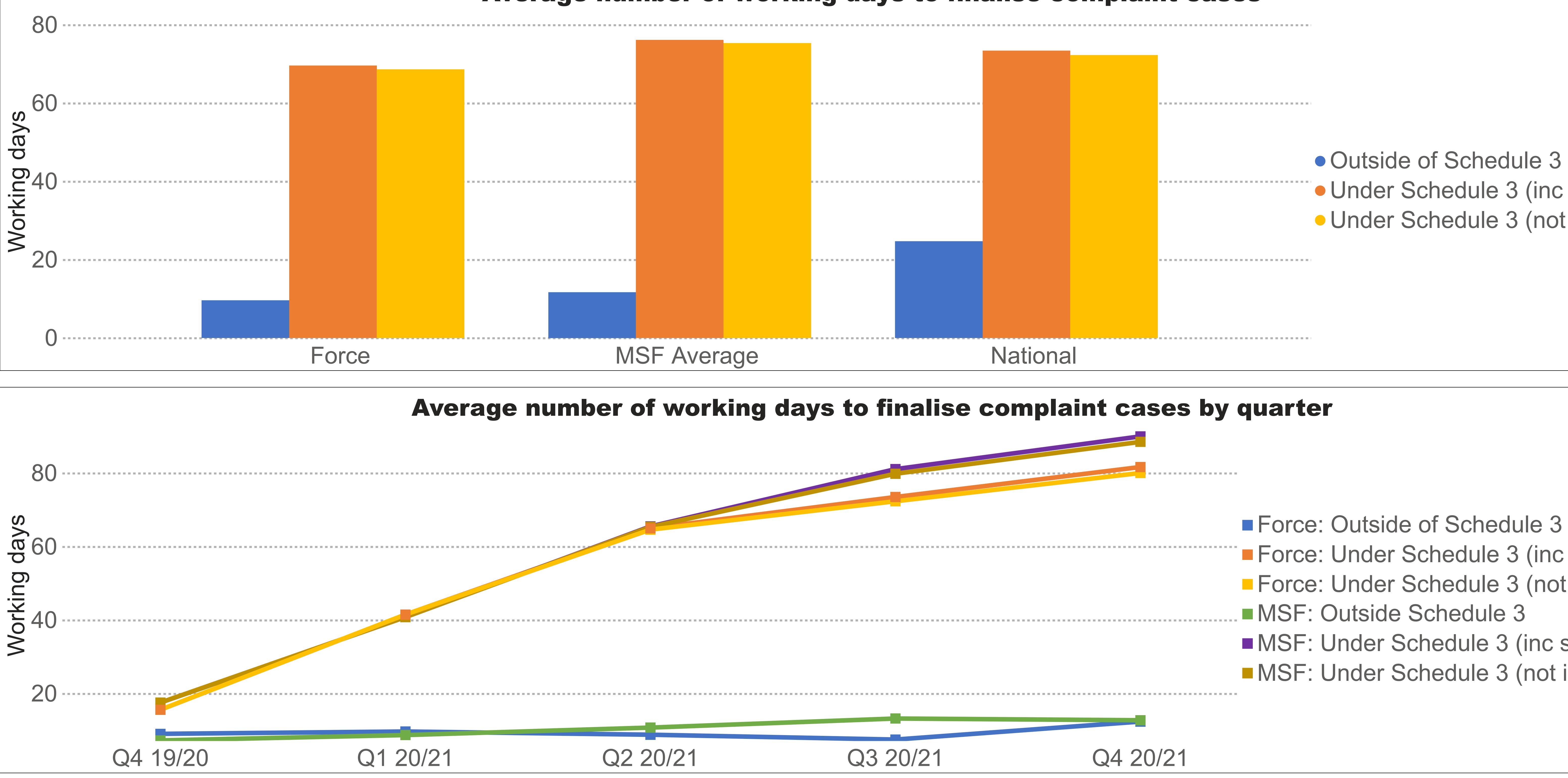
Force		MSF Ave	erage	Nati	onal
No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
639	60%	482	39%	32,012	38%
327	31%	862	56%	45,205	54%
16	2%	7	1%	688	1%
75	7%	74	6%	5,845	7%



Section A3.1: complaint cases finalised - timeliness

Average number of working days to finalise complaint cases

Outside of Schedule 3 Under Schedule 3 (inc suspension) Under Schedule 3 (not inc suspension)



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Ο	Force	MSF Average	National
	10	12	25
	70	76	73
	69	75	72

Average number of working days to finalise complaint cases

	MSF Avera	ade	

Notes

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 outside of Schedule 3 and those that are being handled under Schedule 3 from the date the complaint was made.

Complaint cases 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.

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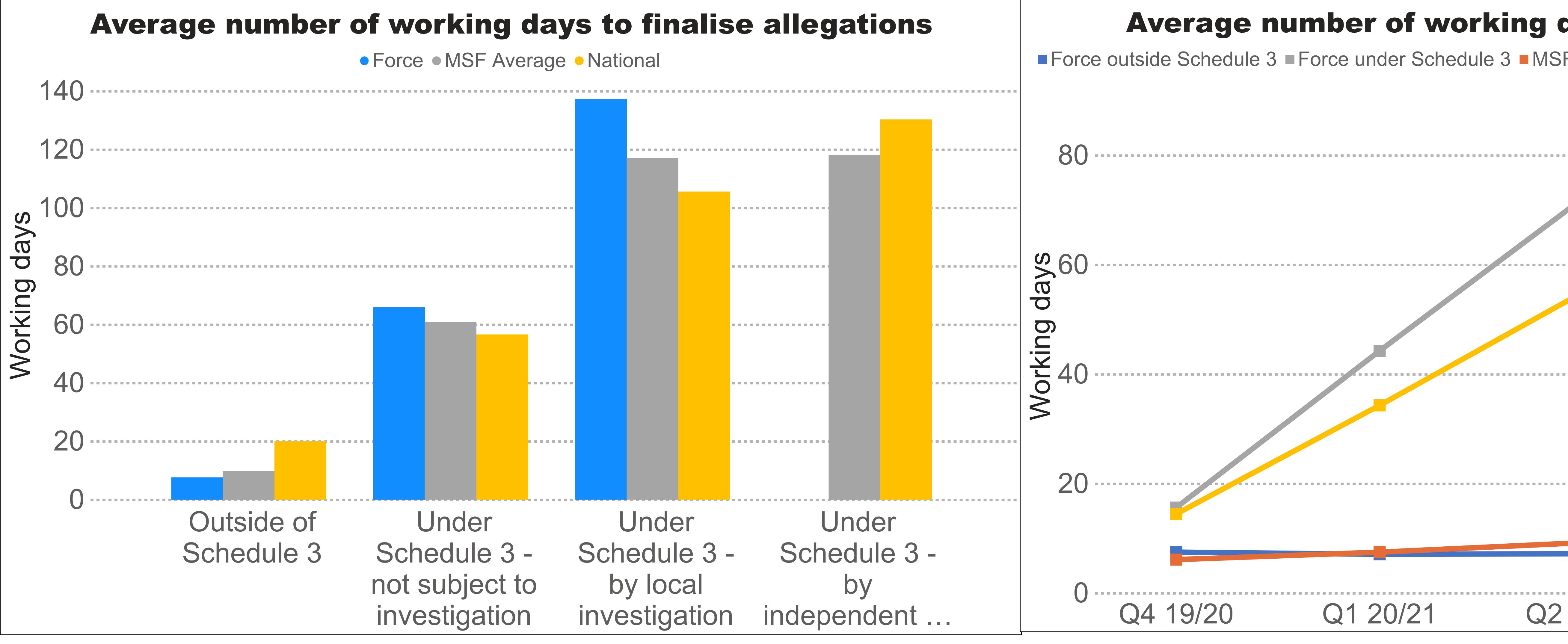
Section A3.2: allegations finalised - how they have been handled and timeliness

How allegations were handled

Outside of Schedule 3 Under Schedule 3 - not subject to investic Under Schedule 3 - by local investigation Under Schedule 3 - by independent inves

Average number of working days to fina allegations

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	Force		MSF A	/erage	National		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	639	60%	482	39%	32,012	38%	
tigation	327	31%	862	56%	45,205	54%	
n	91	9%	66	5%	6,496	8%	
estigation			1	0%	37	0%	

nalise	Force	MSF Average	National
	8	10	20
igation	66	61	57
1	137	117	106
stigation		118	130

Notes

This section shows the time it takes the force to finalise allegations by how they were handled. It gives a breakdown of allegations handled outside Schedule 3 and those that were handled under Schedule 3, which were either investigated or handled other than by investigation. Timeliness is calculated from the date the allegation was received by the force.

At present, allegations finalised by directed investigations are being included under 'local investigation'. The IOPC is working with force IT suppliers to ensue that reporting on this is possible in the future.

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.



days to f	finalise allega	tions
F Avg outside	Schedule 3 MSF Avg	g under Schedule 3
20/21	Q3 20/21	Q4 20/21

Section A4.1: allegation decisions - by how they were handled

How allegations were handled 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)

Total

How allegations were handled	Out	tside of s	Schedu	le 3	Un	der Sche investi			Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)							
Allegation decision	Force %	Force No.	Nat. %	Nat. No.	Force %	Force No.	Nat. %	Nat. No.	Force %	Force No.	Nat. %	Nat. No.	Force %	Force No.	Nat. %	Nat. No.
	/0				/0						70		70		/0	
No further action					19 %	61	14 %	6,252			1 %	10	1 %	1	10 %	572
Regulation 41 applies							0 %	55			0 %	2			0 %	27
Service provided - unable to determine					3 %	10	4 %	1,906			1 %	4	3 %	2	3 %	147
Service provided - not acceptable					11 %	37	11 %	5,153			1 %	10	3 %	2	10 %	561
Service provided - acceptable			0 %	8	60 %	195	66 %	29,644	6 %	1	14 %	99	85 %	64	73 %	4,279
Not Resolved	1 %	7	6 %	1,955												
Resolved	99 %	632	94 %	30,048												
No Case to Answer									69 %	11	59 %	403				
Case to Answer									25 %	4	20 %	136				
Withdrawal					7 %	24	5 %	2,191			3 %	24	8 %	6	4 %	259
Total	60 %	639	38 %	32,011	31 %	327	54 %	45,201	2 %	16	1 %	688	7 %	75	7 %	5,845

Notes

This section presents information about the decisions being given on allegations. An allegation decision is logged for each allegation finalised. The allegation decision reflects how the complaint case has been handled, with 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 note that figures presented may be under-representing the number of allegations finalised under Schedule 3 and investigated (not suject to special procedures), instead grouping some of these allegations as finalised under Schedule 3 and not investigated. This is because police forces were not able to consistantly and accurately collect this data on their systems until the implementation of an upgrade from November 2020.

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

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Force %	Force % Force No.		National No.		
60 %	639	38 %	32,011		
31 %	327	54 %	45,201		
2 %	16	1 %	688		
7 %	75	7 %	5,845		
100 %	1,057	100 %	83,745		



Section A4.2: allegation decisions – by what was complained about (category)

	Allegation category											
Allegation decisions	<section-header></section-header>	<section-header></section-header>	or damage	<section-header></section-header>		behaviour		behaviours			Other	Total
No further action	26	18		3			9	6				62
Service provided - unable to determine	5							7				12
Service provided - not acceptable	28	2	2	1				6				39
Service provided - acceptable	125	39	3	11		9	4	67		1	1	260
Not Resolved	7											7
Resolved	412	77	20	10	17			65		1	30	632
No Case to Answer	1	4		3			1	2				11
Case to Answer		1					1	2				4
Withdrawal	7	16	1					5		1		30

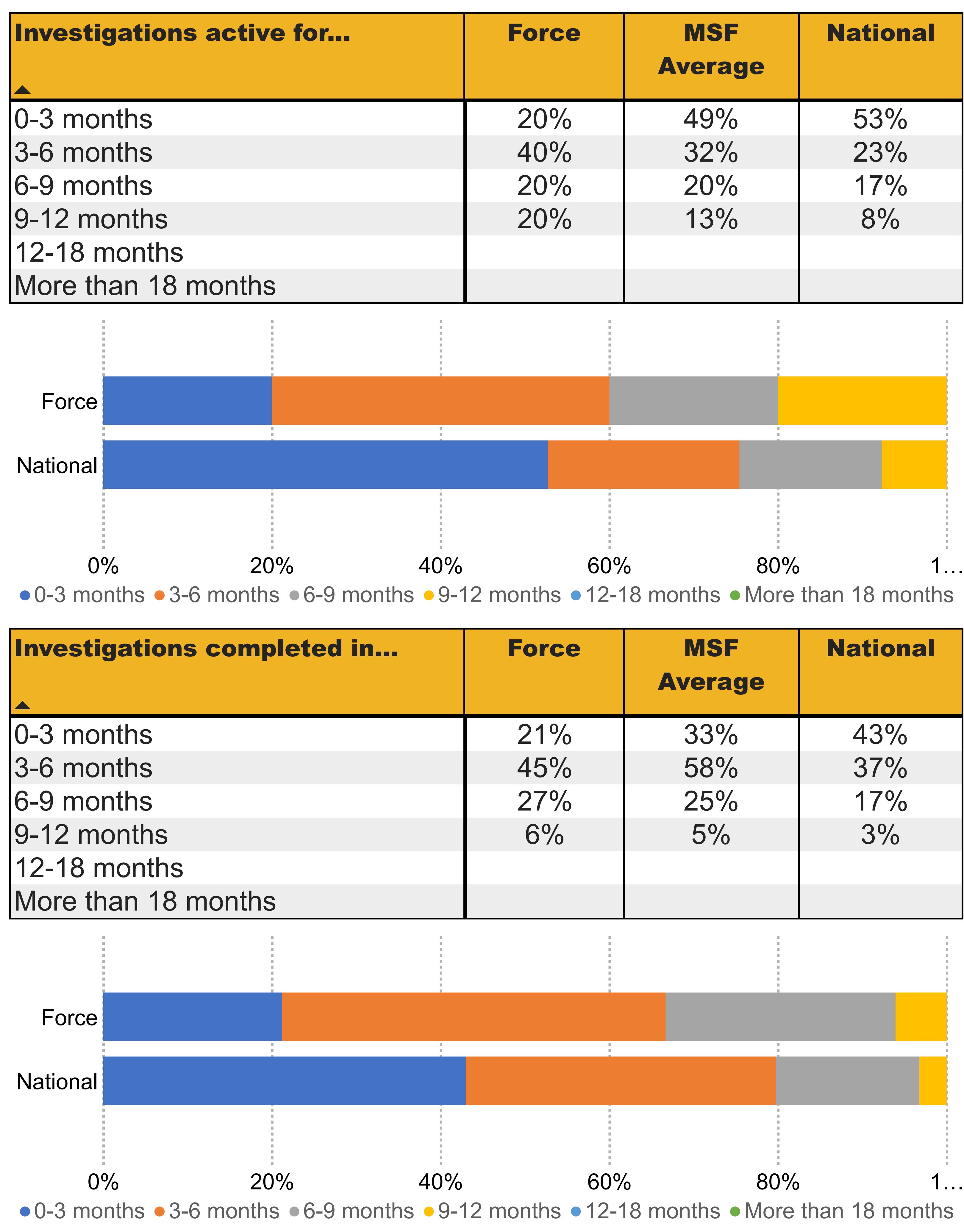
Notes

This section presents information about allegations finalised grouped by the allegation and the category selected on each allegation. Each allegation has a single category selected.

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Section B1: investigations (all investigation types) - timeliness



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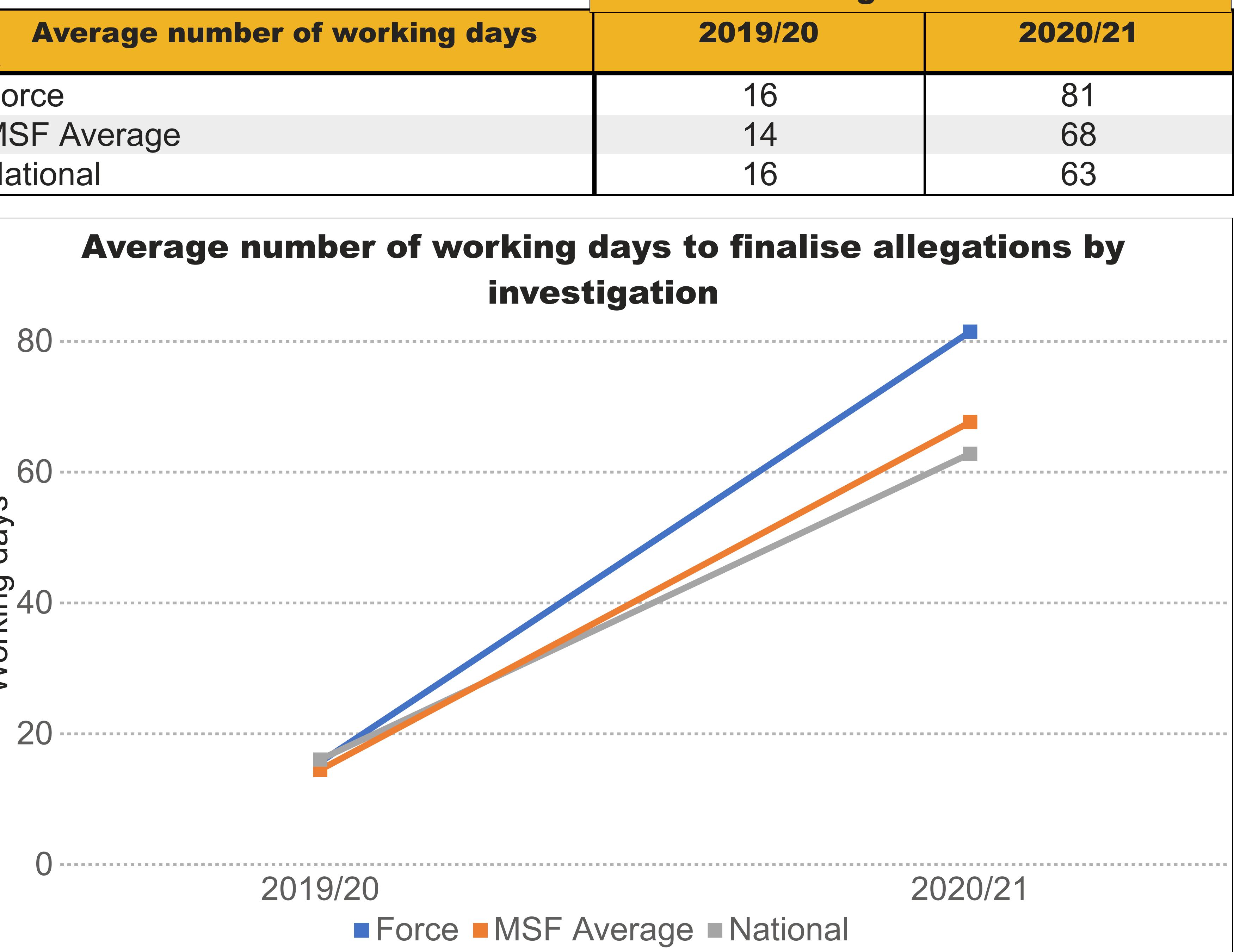
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40%	32%	23%	
20%	20%	17%	F
20%	13%	8%	FM
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Force	MSF Average	National
21%	33%	43%
45%	58%	37%
27%	25%	17%
6%	5%	3%

80%

60%

Ilegations finalised by investigation (all types) - timeliness



Notes

This section presents information about complaints handled under Schedule 3 that are investigated. It covers complaint cases investigated by both the force and the IOPC. The data shows how long investigations have been open (active) at the end of the period being reported. Also, the time it takes for allegations that have been investigated to be

finalised.

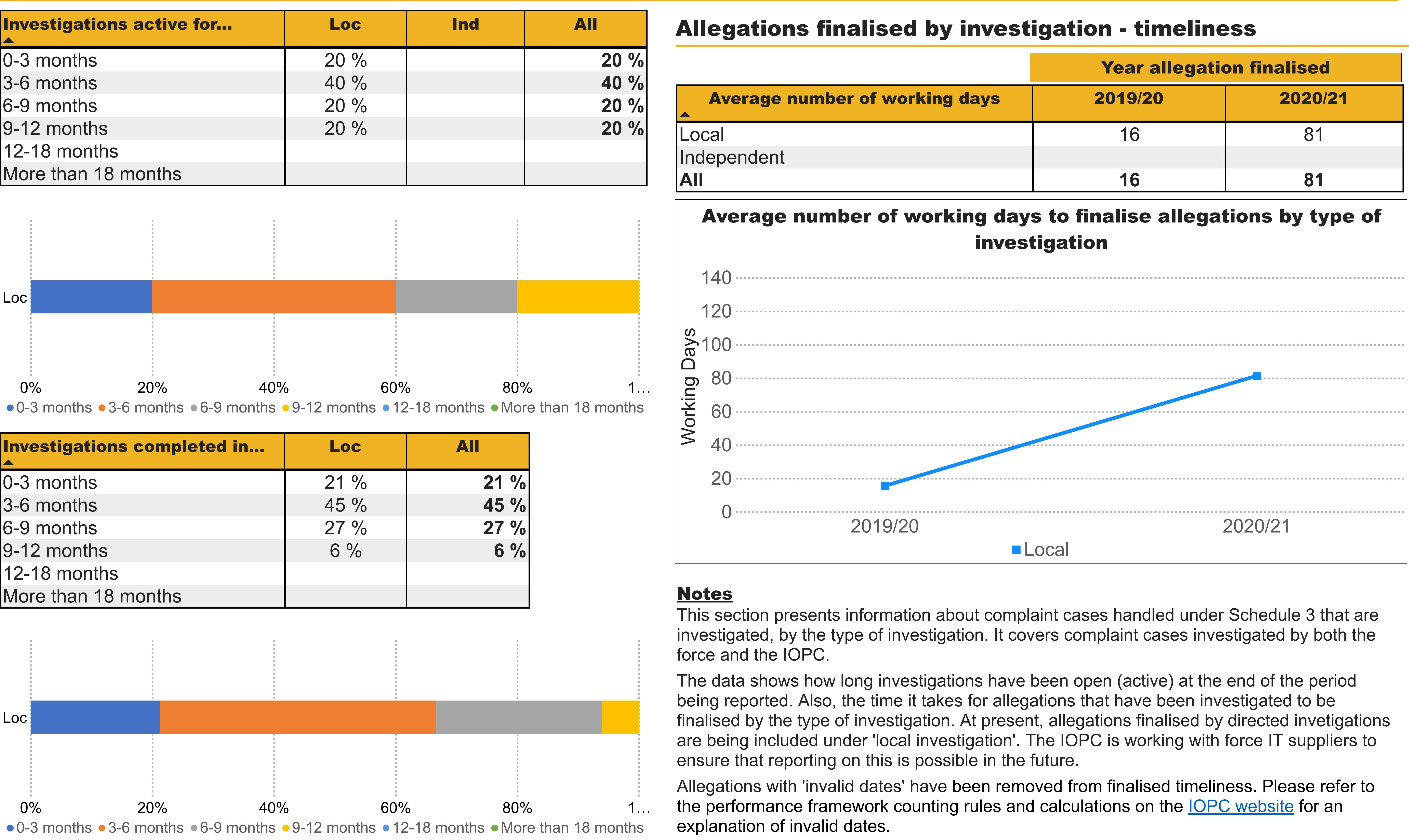
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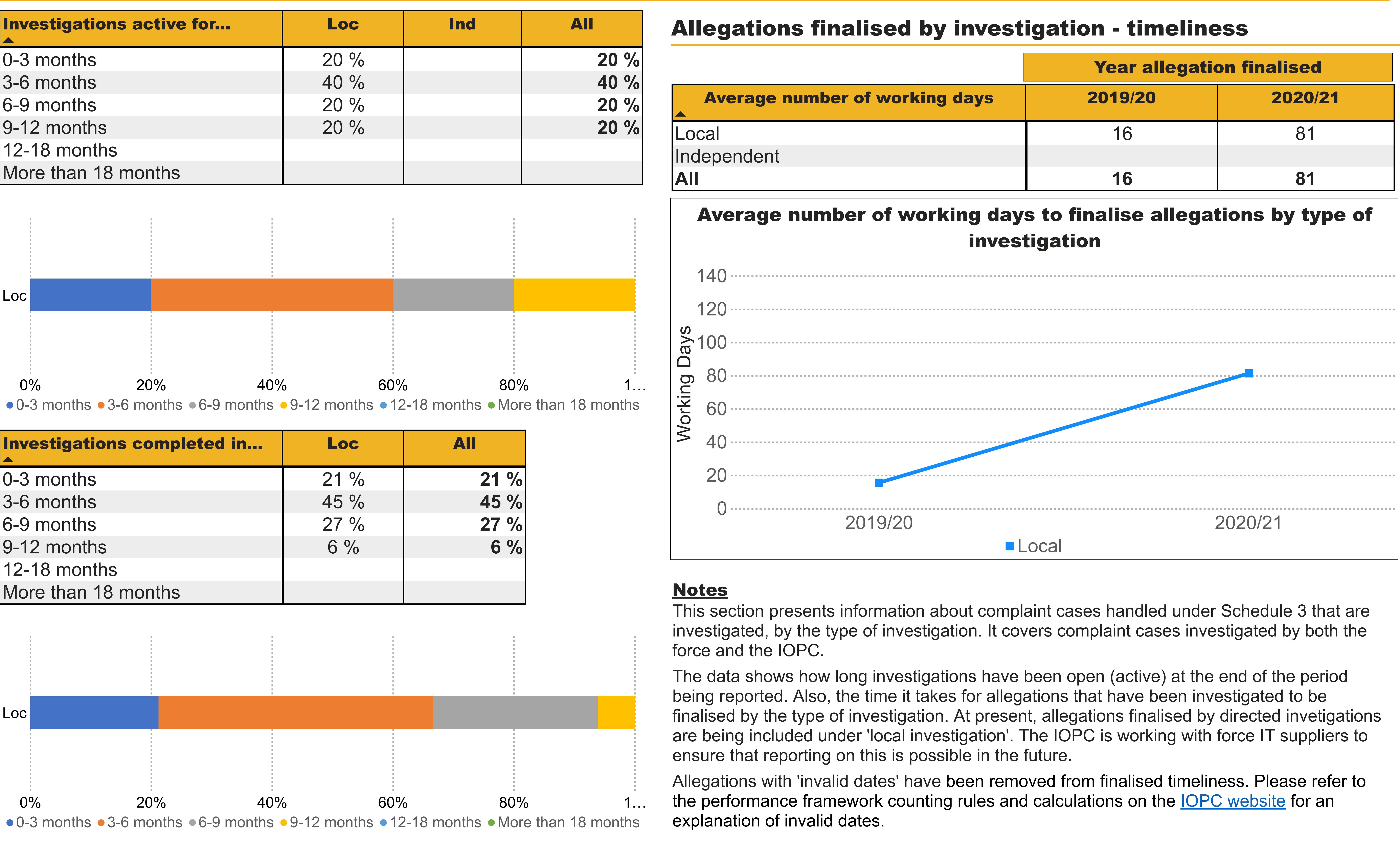
Year allegation finalised					
2019/20	2020/21				
16	81				
14	68				
16	63				

Section B2: investigations (by type of investigation) - timeliness

Investigations active for	Lc
0-3 months	20
3-6 months	40
6-9 months	20
9-12 months	20
12-18 months	
More than 18 months	



Investigations completed in	Lc
0-3 months	21
3-6 months	45
6-9 months	27
9-12 months	6
12-18 months	
More than 18 months	

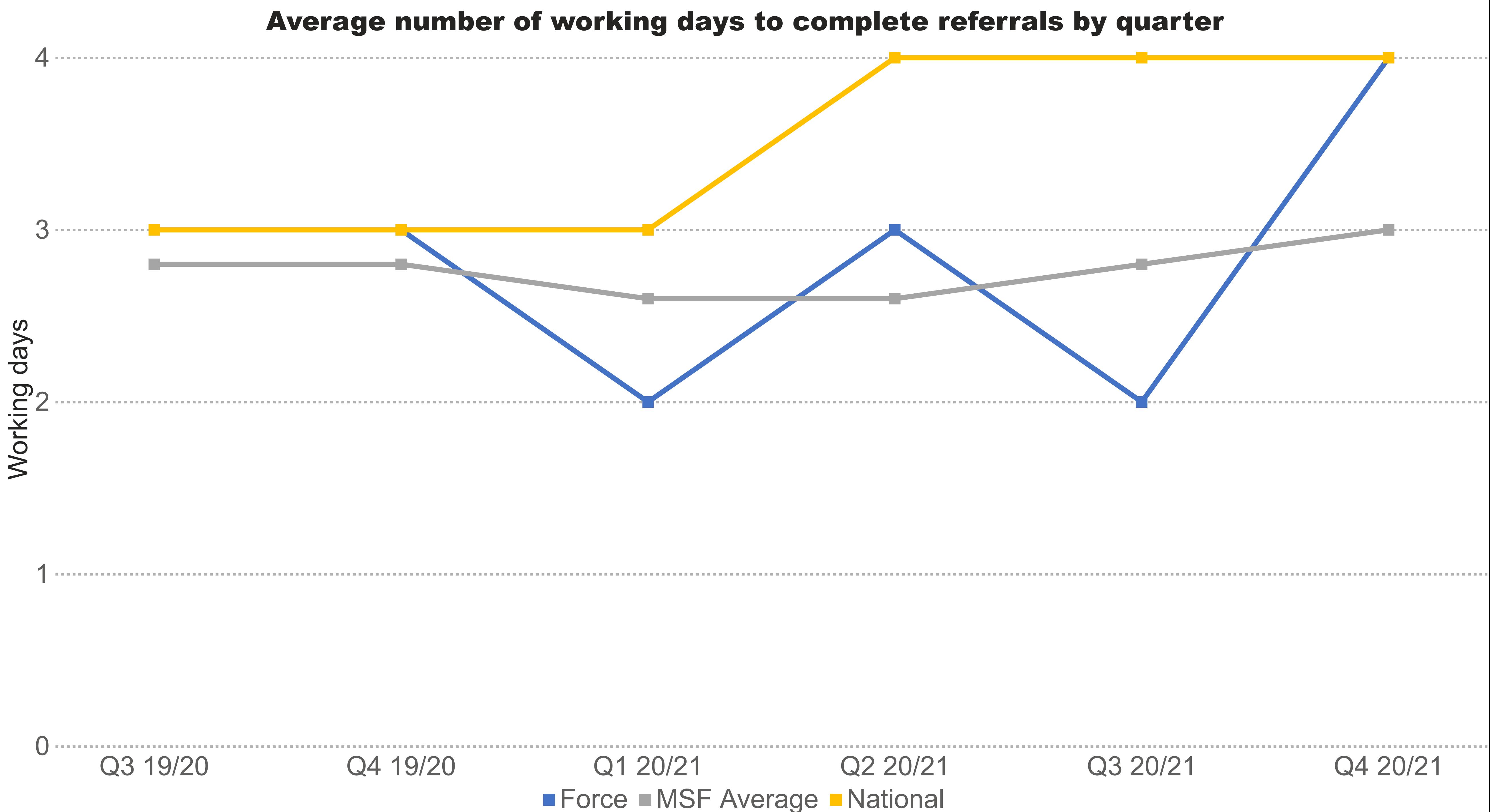




Year allegation finalised			
2019/20	2020/21		
16	81		
16	81		

Section C: referrals

Number referrals received Number referrals completed Decision: Independent Investigation **Decision: Directed Investigation** Decision: Local Investigation Decision: Return to Force Decision: Invalid



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Force	Force %	MSF Average	MSF Average %	National	National %
27		49		4,542	
26		48		4,546	
1	4%	5	9%	577	13%
0	0%	1	2%	47	1%
18	69%	29	60%	2,712	60%
7	27%	12	27%	1,153	25%
0	0%	0	0%	28	1%

Force MSF Average National



Notes

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.

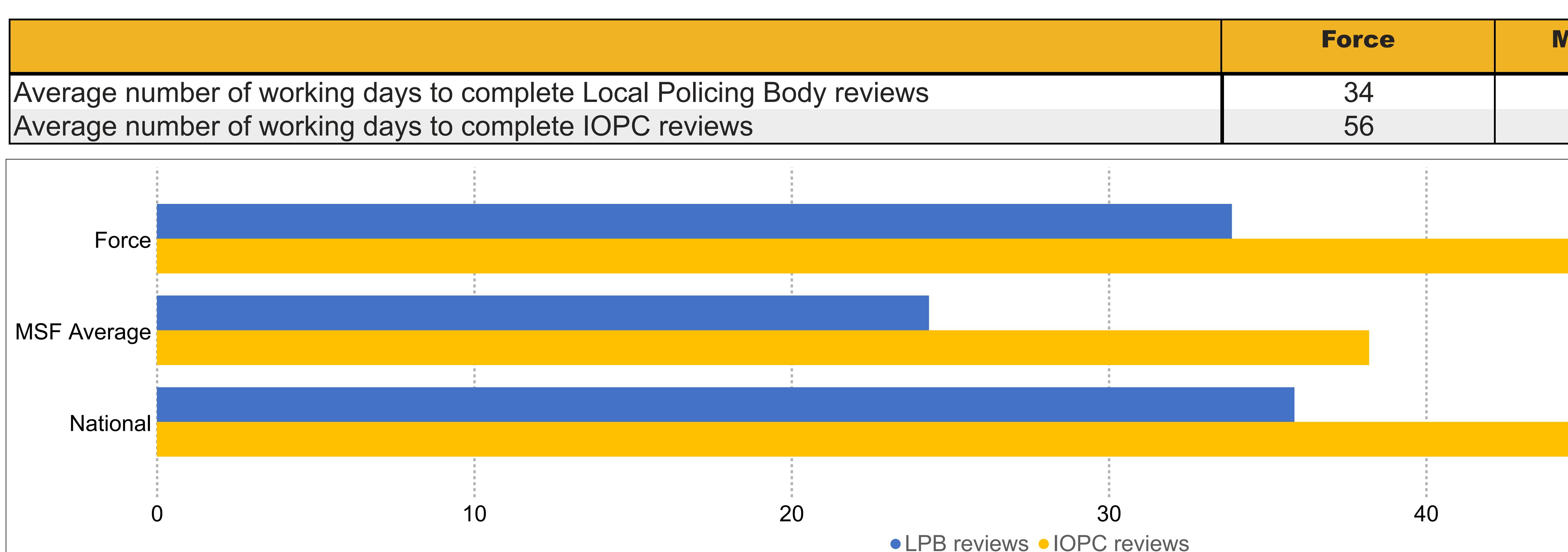
Where a referral is made by the force on a mandatory basis but does not meet the mandatory referral criteria, the matter may not fall within the IOPC's remit to assess and will be determined invalid.

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.

Section D1: reviews received

	Complaint cases finalised under Schedule 3	<section-header></section-header>	Reviews received as proportion of complaint cases finalised under Schedule 3		Number LPB reviews received - non-investigation		Number IOPC reviews received - non-investigation
Force	234	54	23%	0	31	18	5
MSF Average	544	90	21%	6	65	9	9
National	23,243	5,371	23%	1,156	3,246	478	491

Section D2: reviews timeliness



Notes

Where a complaint has been recorded under Schedule 3 to the Police Reform Act 2002, the complainant has a right to apply for a review. A person can apply for review if they are unhappy with the way their complaint was handled, or with the outcome. This applies whether the complaint has been investigated by the appropriate authority or handled otherwise than by investigation (non-investigation). The application for a review will be considered either by the local policing body or the IOPC; the relevant review body depends on the circumstances of the complaint.

This section presents information about applications for review handled by both local policing bodies and the IOPC. Information about the right of review and who is the relevant review body is available in chapter 18 of the IOPC's Statutory Guidance on the police complaints system (February 2020). Reviews with 'invalid dates' have been removed from reviews timeliness. Please refer to the performance framework counting rules and calculations on the IOPC website for an explanation of invalid dates.

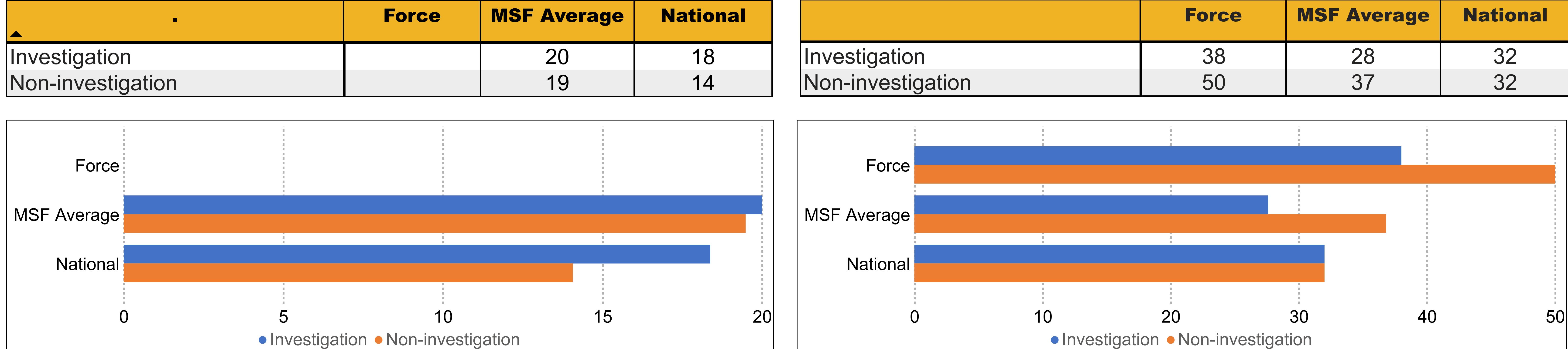
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National
36
47
60

Section D3: decisions on reviews

% IOPC reviews found complaint case outcome not reasonable and proportionate % LPB reviews found complaint case outcome not reasonable and proportionate



% LPB reviews resulting in...

	Force	MSF Average	National		Force	MSF Average	National
Recommendation made				Recommendation made	0	0	0
				Direction	22	22	23
				Extra work commissioned	6	1	1

Notes

This section presents information about the decisions made on reviews by local policing bodies and the IOPC. It includes the proportion of reviews where the relevant review body found the outcome of the complaint was not reasonable and proportionate and those that resulted in a recommendation and, if necessary, a direction to the appropriate authority in respect of any person serving with the police.

The percentage of reviews the relevant review body determines to be not reasonable and proportionate excludes any reviews that were deemed invalid. Invalid reviews may, for example, include applications that were made outside of the 28 day period to submit an application. Where the IOPC does not have enough information to decide on a review of a police force investigation, they are able to request that the force undertakes further work to gather additional evidential material. This is known as commissioning further work. The proportion of reviews completed where additional work was commissioned are shown in this section.

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orce	MSF Average	National		Force	MSF Average	National
	20	18	Investigation	38	28	32
	19	14	Non-investigation	50	37	32

% IOPC reviews resulting in...



Section E1.1: allegation actions - on complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3

Actions following outside of Schedule 3 complaint cases

Learning from Reflection No further action Explanation Debrief Apology Goodwill gesture Policy review Individual learning Organisational learning

Notes

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 on finalised complaint cases 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.

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Force		Force MSF Average		Nat	ional
No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
		8	2%	205	1%
568	88%	215	47%	8793	31%
33	5%	106	30%	11617	41%
		18	4%	470	2%
17	3%	25	5%	2000	7%
		5	1%	144	1%
		1	0%	54	0%
11	2%	5	1%	722	3%
		2	1%	235	1%



Actions following Schedule 3 complaint cases

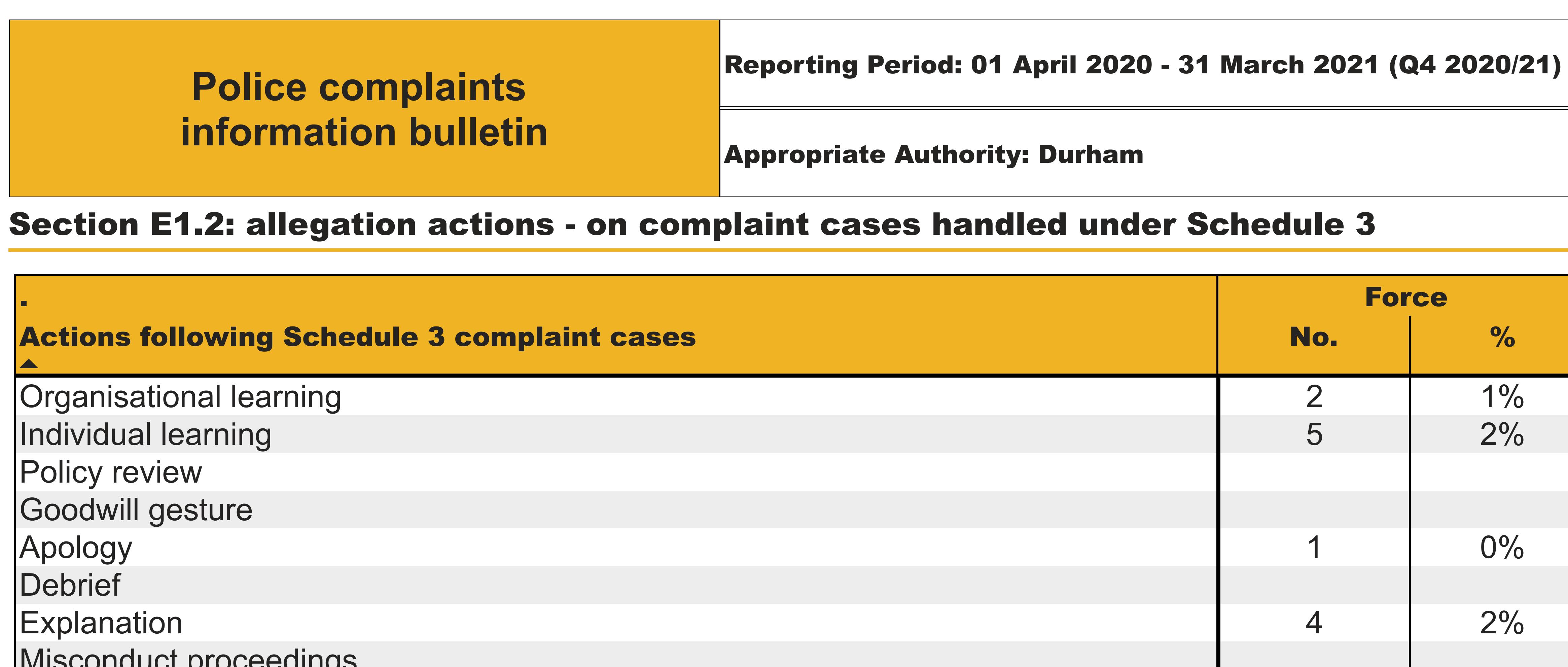
Organisational learning Individual learning Policy review Goodwill gesture Apology Debrief Explanation Misconduct proceedings Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP) No further action Other action Other actions following a case to answer decision Referral to RPRP

Notes

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Force		MSF Av	erage	Nat	tional
No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
2	1%	7	2%	456	2%
5	2%	16	2%	1218	5%
		4	0%	48	0%
		2	0%	21	0%
1	0%	27	5%	890	4%
		8	1%	183	1%
4	2%	217	30%	5602	24%
		1	1%	18	0%
				6	0%
210	90%	222	54%	13279	57%
5	2%	8	2%	341	1%
				7	0%
5	2%	34	6%	815	4%

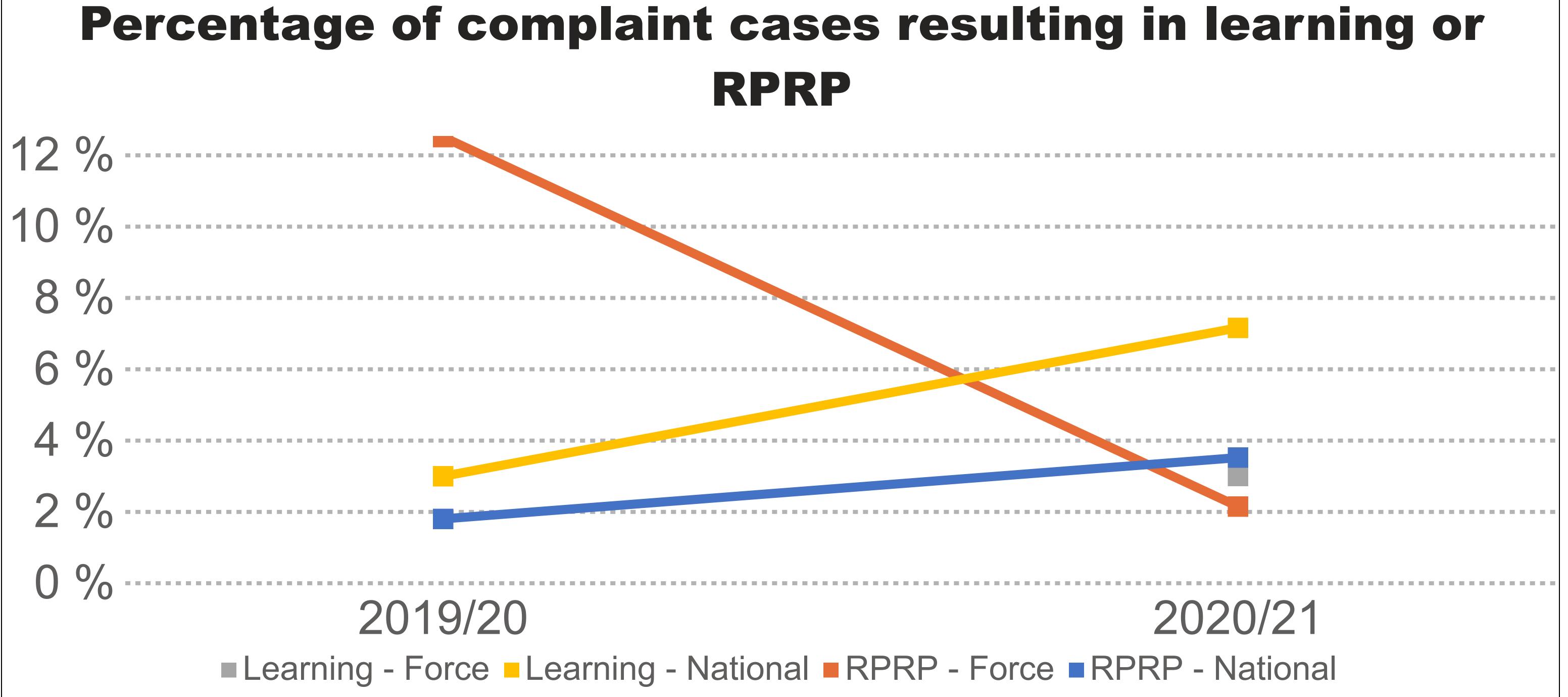


Section E2: focus on RPRP, UPP, misconduct and criminal outcomes (for complaint cases handled under Schedule 3)

RPRP and learning

Number of com	plaint cases resulting i
below actions	
Learning	
Force	
National	
Force	
National	

Percentage of below actions	complaint cases resulting
— Learning	
Force	
National	
Force	
National	



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n	2019/20	2020/21
		7
	10	1661
	1	5
	6	815

ng in	2019/20	2020/21
		3%
	3%	7%
	13%	2%
	2%	4%



RF

This section focusses on what happened as a result of the complaint case (action) in relation to RPRP, UPP, and a case to answer for misconduct. Actions are captured at allegation level and multiple actions can be selected, where appropriate, on a single allegation. The figures shown in this section are based on allegations on finalised complaint cases 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%. More than one UPP, RPRP, misconduct meeting and misconduct hearing can result from a single allegation, therefore the numbers shown do not represent the number of these processes which occurred in the period.

RPRP, UPP, misconduct and criminal

	Force		MSF Average		National	
ercentage of complaint cases sulting in below actions	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
PP					6	0%
isconduct hearing					3	0%
isconduct meeting			1	1%	15	0%
PRP	5	2%	34	6%	815	4%

Notes



Notes

Data sources

- Complaint cases data is taken from XML data submissions made by forces to the IOPC every quarter. - IOPC performance data 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 the Home Office. 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.

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 <u>IOPC website</u>. - 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 <u>IOPC website</u>.

- 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 <u>capturing data about police complaints.</u>

- 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 <u>complaints system (February 2020)</u>.

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Acronyms used in this bulletin

Force – year to date force numbers

- **IOPC** Independent Office for Police Conduct
- **Inc.** including
- Ind independent investigation
- Loc local investigation
- LPB local policing body
- **MSF** most similar force
- Nat. National
- No. number
- **PRA** the Police Reform Act 2002
- **RPRP** reflective practice review process
- **UPP** unsatisfactory performance procedure



