Interim Police Complaints Information Bulletin: Derbyshire



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Most Similar Force (MSF) Group: Avon And Somerset, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Essex, Kent, Northamptonshire, Staffordshire, Wiltshire

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.

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

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

Where charts refer to separate quarters the dates are: Q1: 1 April to 30 June, Q2: 1 July to 30 September, Q3: October to 31 December, Q4 1 January to 31 March.

Please note: Due to one force being unable to submit data for this quarter, national figures are incomplete. Therefore these figures should not be considered definitive.

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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

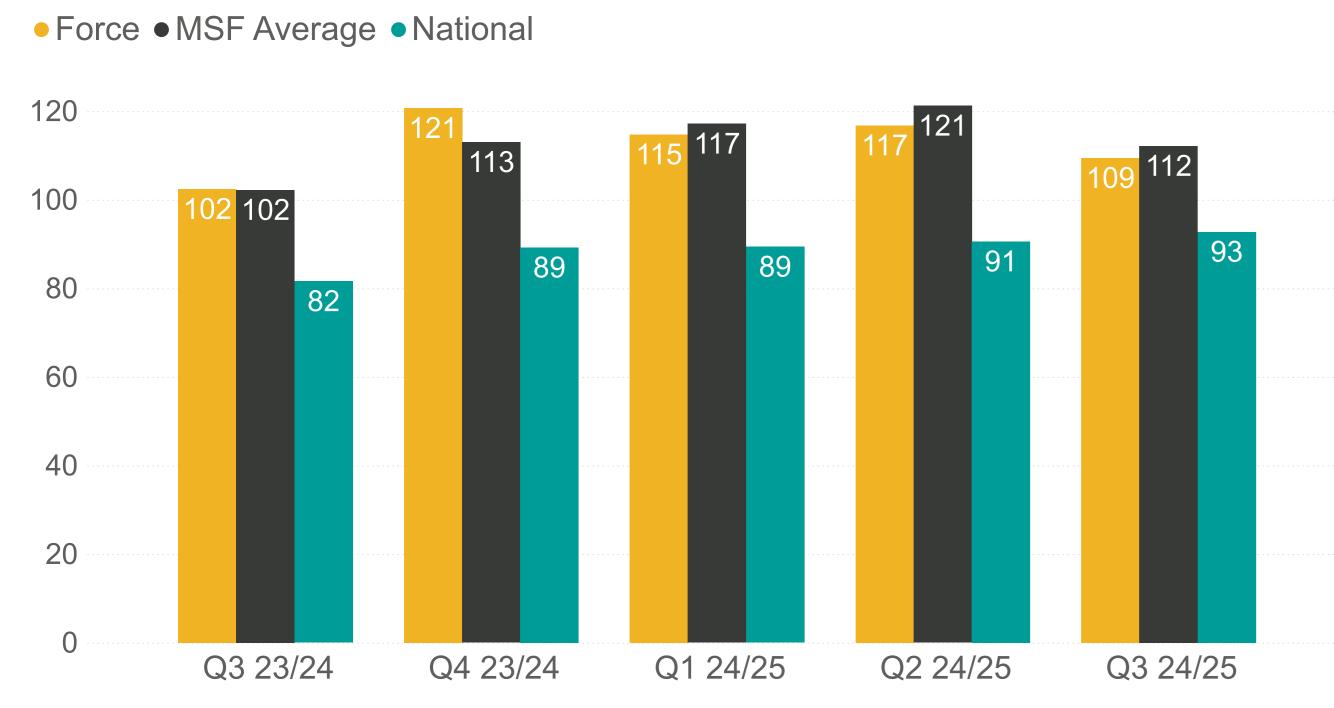
Section A1.1: Complaint cases and allegations logged

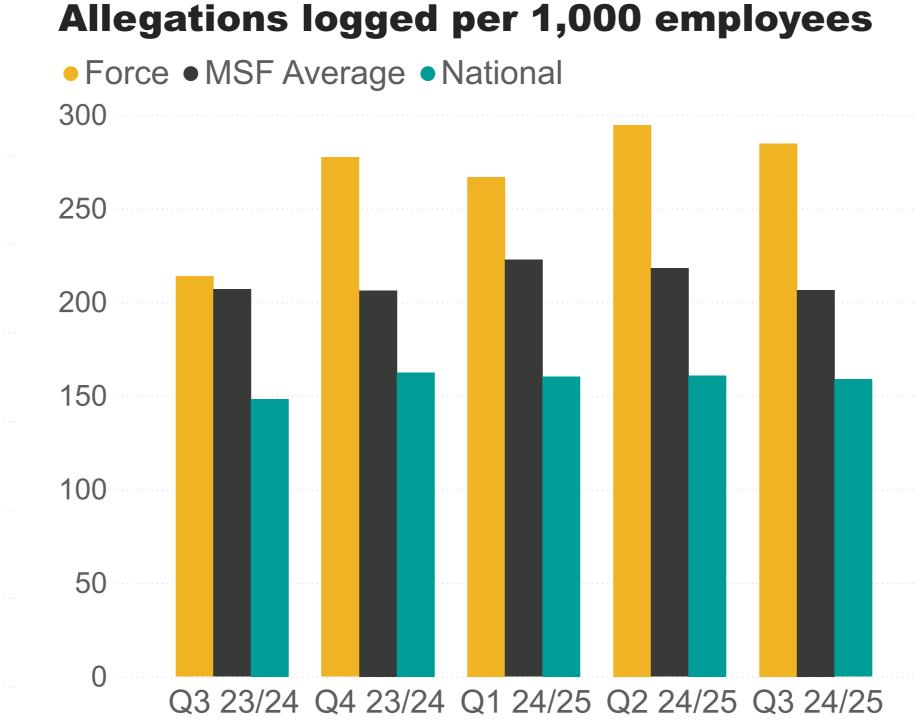
A complaint case is formed of one or more allegations. Numbers per 1,000 employees are used to demonstrate how the number of complaints/allegations against a force compare to their most similar force group and national figures. The force should contact the complainant and log the complaint as soon as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

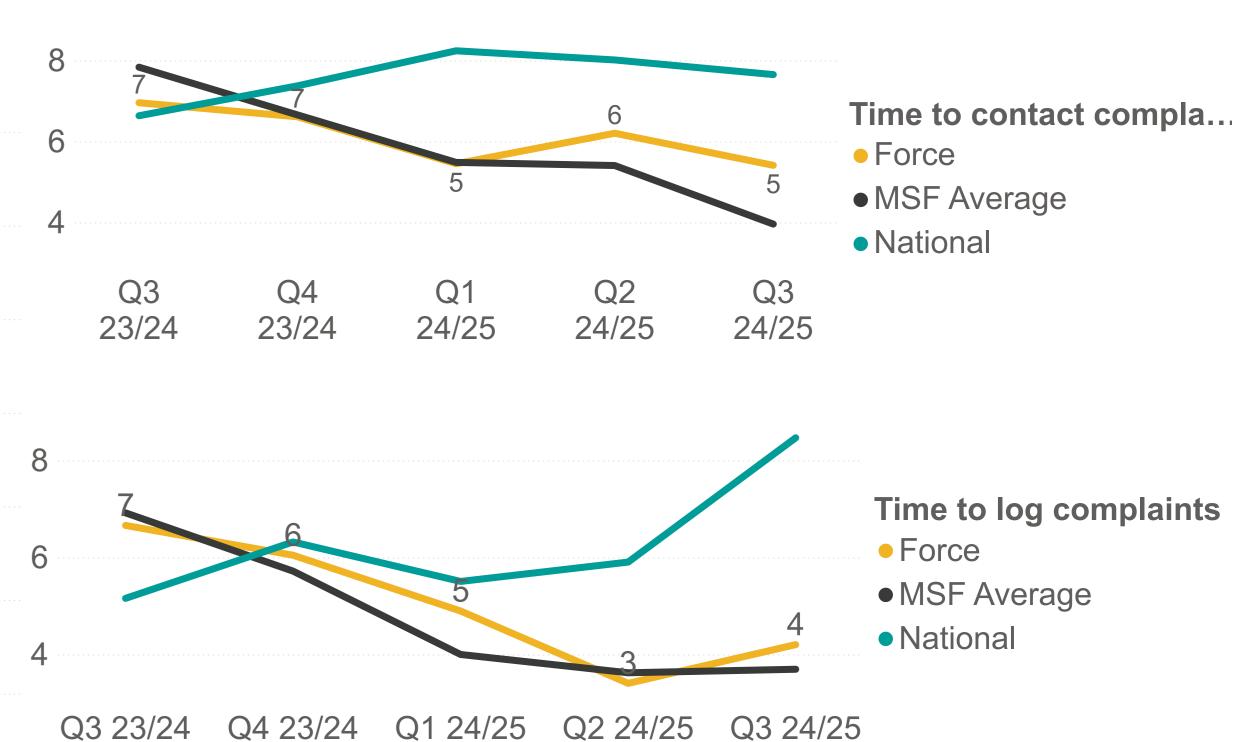
Note: Number of employees is a fixed number through the period, therefore complaints and allegations per 1,000 employees is higher for the full period (as in the table) than when broken down in to quarters (as per the charts)

Year to date	Complaint cases logged	Complaints per 1,000 employees	Allegations Logged	Allegations per 1,000 employees	Average working days to contact complainants	Average working days to log complaints
Force	1,346	341	3,341	846	6	4
SPLY	1,227	316	2,472	636	7	6
MSF Average	1,648	351	3,086	647	5	4
National	69,504	273	122,348	480	8	7

Complaints logged per 1,000 employees







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	MSF Average	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	401	272	285	9,603
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	111	249	97	4,564
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	55	99	114	3,723
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	111	101	201	5,364
Total	678	721	697	23,254

Reason complaint case recorded under Schedule 3 (YTD)	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
AA/body responsible for initial handling decides	59 %	38 %	40 %	41 %
Complainant wishes the complaint be recorded	16 %	35 %	14 %	20 %
Dissatisfaction after initial handling	8 %	14 %	19 %	16 %
Nature of the allegation(s) in the complaint	16 %	14 %	27 %	23 %

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

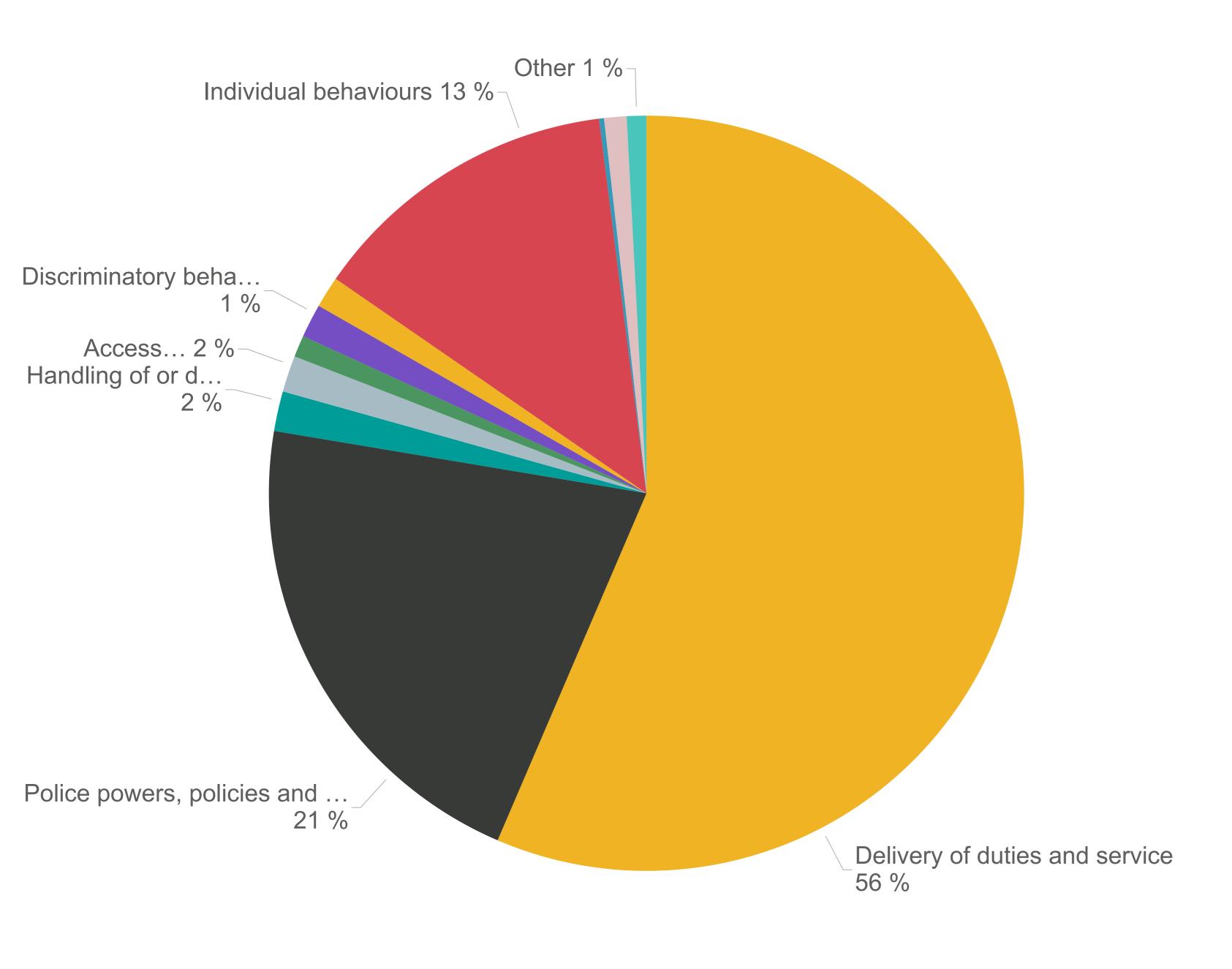
This section presents the three most commonly recorded categories for allegations that have been logged. A complaint case will contain one or more allegations and one category (and sub-category, where available) is selected for each allegation logged. Total % is of the total number of allegations logged.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

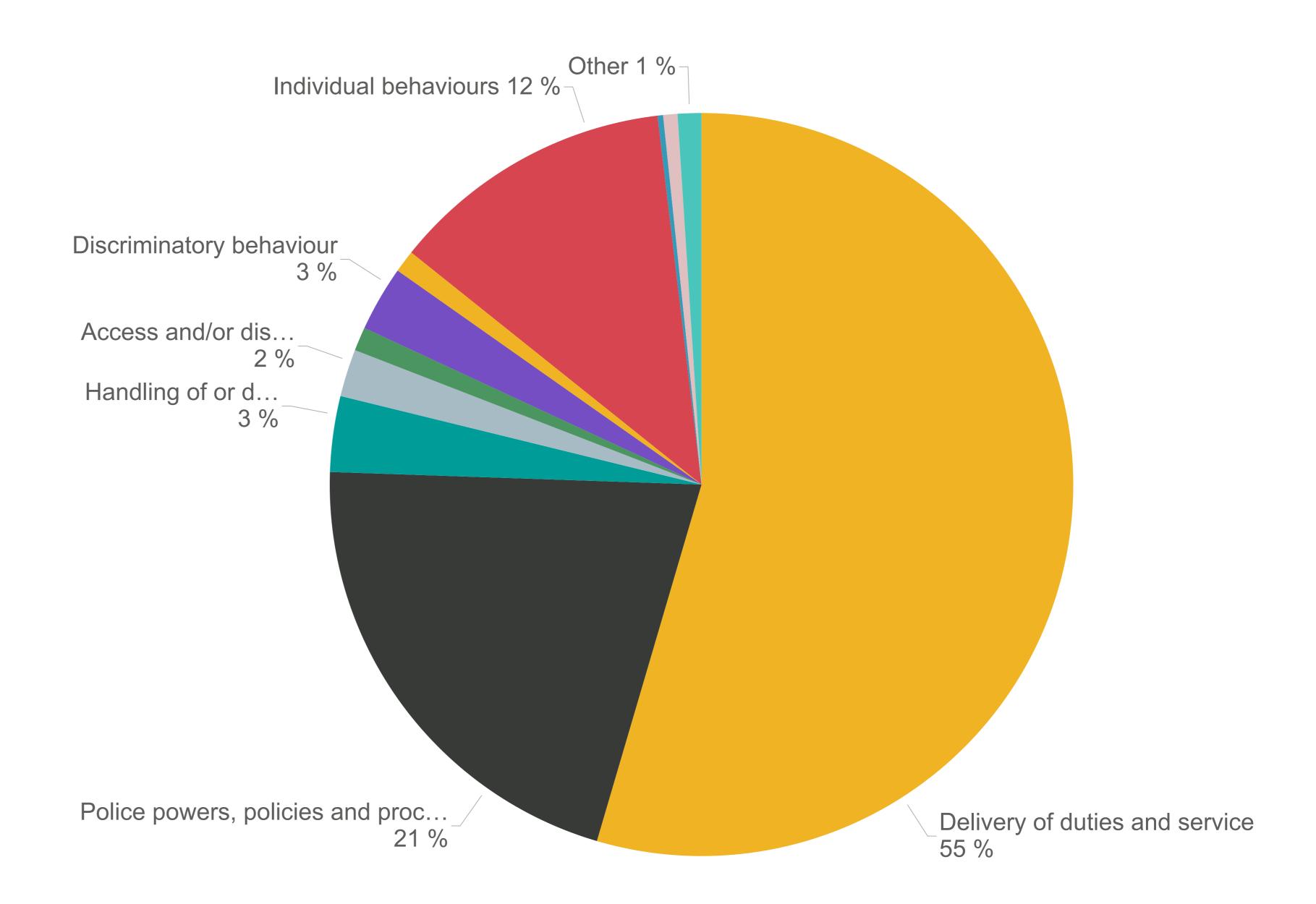
What has been complained about (YTD)

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	1,886	708	57	52	31	48	45	447	7	32	28	3,341
SPLY	1,371	481	70	55	33	46	8	335	2	19	52	2,472
MSF Average	1,671	619	92	58	33	93	44	439	9	17	14	3,086
National	66,729	25,690	4,027	2,522	1,266	3,476	1,192	15,133	293	761	1,257	122,346

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		ce	SPL	.Y	MSF A	verage	Natio	onal
Category	Subcategory	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Delivery of duties and service	Total	1,886	56 %	1,371	55 %	1,671	53 %	66,726	55 %
	Police action following contact	817	43 %	636	46 %	722	45 %	27,618	41 %
	Decisions	396	21 %	221	16 %	291	18 %	9,699	15 %
	General level of service	346	18 %	301	22 %	385	21 %	21,727	33 %
	Information	327	17 %	213	16 %	272	17 %	7,682	12 %
Police powers, policies and	Total	708	21 %	480	19 %	618	21 %	25,687	21 %
procedures	Use of force	173	24 %	125	26 %	148	24 %	6,584	26 %
	Power to arrest and detain	152	21 %	86	18 %	117	19 %	4,643	18 %
	Detention in police custody	129	18 %	85	18 %	101	16 %	3,661	14 %
	Searches of premises and seizure of property	119	17 %	76	16 %	78	12 %	3,261	13 %
	Bail, identification and interview procedures	50	7 %	38	8 %	45	7 %	1,489	6 %
	Evidential procedures	40	6 %	19	4 %	49	7 %	1,861	7 %
	Other policies and procedures	34	5 %	32	7 %	50	9 %	2,576	10 %
	Stops, and stop and search	6	1 %	14	3 %	18	3 %	1,218	5 %
	Out of court disposals	5	1 %	5	1 %	14	3 %	393	2 %
	Information	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Individual behaviours	Total	447	13 %	335	14 %	439	14 %	15,132	12 %
	Impolite language / tone	166	37 %	114	34 %	112	26 %	3,890	26 %
	Lack of fairness and impartiality	87	19 %	42	13 %	86	18 %	2,089	14 %
	Unprofessional attitude and disrespect	69	15 %	66	20 %	116	26 %	4,272	28 %
	Impolite and intolerant actions	67	15 %	77	23 %	47	11 %	2,311	15 %
	Overbearing or harassing behaviours	58	13 %	36	11 %	79	18 %	2,570	17 %
Handling of or damage to	Total	57	2 %	70	3 %	92	3 %	3,932	3 %
property/ premises	Handling of or damage to property/ premises	57	100 %	70	100 %	92	100 %	3,931	98 %
	Police action following contact	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Access and/or disclosure of	Total	52	2 %	55	2 %	58	2 %	2,522	2 %
information	Disclosure of information	44	85 %	34	62 %	43	75 %	1,678	67 %
	Accessing and handling of information from other sources	4	8 %	2	4 %	3	4 %	100	4 %
	Use of police systems	2	4 %	10	18 %	3	5 %	191	8 %
	Handling of information	2	4 %	9	16 %	9	15 %	552	22 %
	Decisions	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
	Information	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %

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	Fo	rce	S	SPLY	MSF A	verage	Nat	ional
Factors on all allegations	Allegations Logged	% Allegations Logged						
Investigation	1,444	43 %	908	37 %	1,219	41 %	46,292	38 %
Arrest	438	13 %	307	12 %	337	12 %	15,683	13 %
None	302	9 %	788	32 %	648	19 %	22,863	19 %
Domestic / gender abuse	237	7 %	91	4 %	143	5 %	6,828	6 %
Neighbourhood policing	197	6 %	57	2 %	109	4 %	5,699	5 %
Custody	190	6 %	119	5 %	161	6 %	7,020	6 %
Roads/traffic	160	5 %	92	4 %	162	6 %	7,298	6 %
Call Handling	86	3 %	64	3 %	137	4 %	5,209	4 %
Child protection / CSA / CSE	68	2 %	14	1 %	47	2 %	2,199	2 %
VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	66	2 %	103	4 %	101	4 %	5,179	4 %
Mental health	57	2 %	36	1 %	66	2 %	3,667	3 %
Premises search	44	1 %	35	1 %	55	2 %	2,989	2 %
Death	35	1 %	9	0 %	20	1 %	1,105	1 %
Public order incident	31	1 %	12	0 %	26	1 %	972	1 %
Drugs / alcohol	29	1 %	6	0 %	22	1 %	1,408	1 %
Missing persons	18	1 %	11	0 %	19	1 %	771	1 %
Social media	16	0 %	15	1 %	9	0 %	506	0 %
Fraud	15	0 %	3	0 %	8	0 %	779	1 %
Restraint equipment	13	0 %	8	0 %	25	1 %	1,321	1 %
Hate Crime	9	0 %	9	0 %	18	1 %	699	1 %
VAWG - police perpetrated	9	0 %	9	0 %	21	1 %	848	1 %
Stop and/or search	8	0 %	14	1 %	39	1 %	2,543	2 %
Firearms	4	0 %	2	0 %	11	0 %	559	0 %
Taser	3	0 %	0	0 %	4	0 %	146	0 %
Covert policing	2	0 %	1	0 %	2	0 %	66	0 %
Serious injury	1	0 %	1	0 %	1	0 %	256	0 %
VAWG - police victim	1	0 %	1	0 %	6	0 %	107	0 %
Coronavirus - other	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on infectiou	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %
Coronavirus - police powers on restricti	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %
Police dogs or horses	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	0 %	76	0 %
PPDA	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	27	0 %
PPDA - Police victim	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	3	0 %
Prejudicial and improper behaviour	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	4	0 %
Unknown	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	23	0 %
VAWG' - dissatisfaction handling	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	16	0 %
VAWG' - police victim	0	0 %	0	0 %	0	0 %	23	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	Police powers, policies and procedures	Handling of or damage to property/ premises	Access and/or disclosure of information	Individual behaviours
VAWG - police victim	1	0	0	0	0
VAVVG - police victim VAWG - police perpetrated	1	0	0	0	1
VAWG - dissatisfaction handling	60	0	0	0	6
Taser	0	2	0	0	1
Stop and/or search	2	5	1	0	0
Social media	12	1	0	0	2
Serious injury	1	0	0	0	0
Roads/traffic	71	16	4	2	34
Restraint equipment	0	13	0	0	0
Public order incident	20	6	0	0	4
Premises search	10	13	5	0	12
None	133	30	12	21	52
Neighbourhood policing	145	2	0	1	42
Missing persons	6	6	1	1	3
Mental health	23	17	2	2	8
Investigation	1,066	156	21	13	145
Hate Crime	9	0	0	0	0
Fraud	10	5	0	0	0
Firearms	3	1	0	0	0
Drugs / alcohol	20	7	0	1	1
Domestic / gender abuse	163	18	1	7	39
Death	23	7	1	0	4
Custody	33	130	2	0	19
Covert policing	1	0	1	0	0
Child protection / CSA / CSE	46	5	1	0	11
Call Handling	60	0	1	1	22
Arrest	84	281	4	2	53
Total	1,857	702	56	50	440

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
Q3 23/24	59	4	0	63
Q4 23/24	31	2	0	33
Q1 24/25	11	5	0	16
Q2 24/25	21	1	0	22
Q3 24/25	34	3	1	38
Total	156	15	1	172

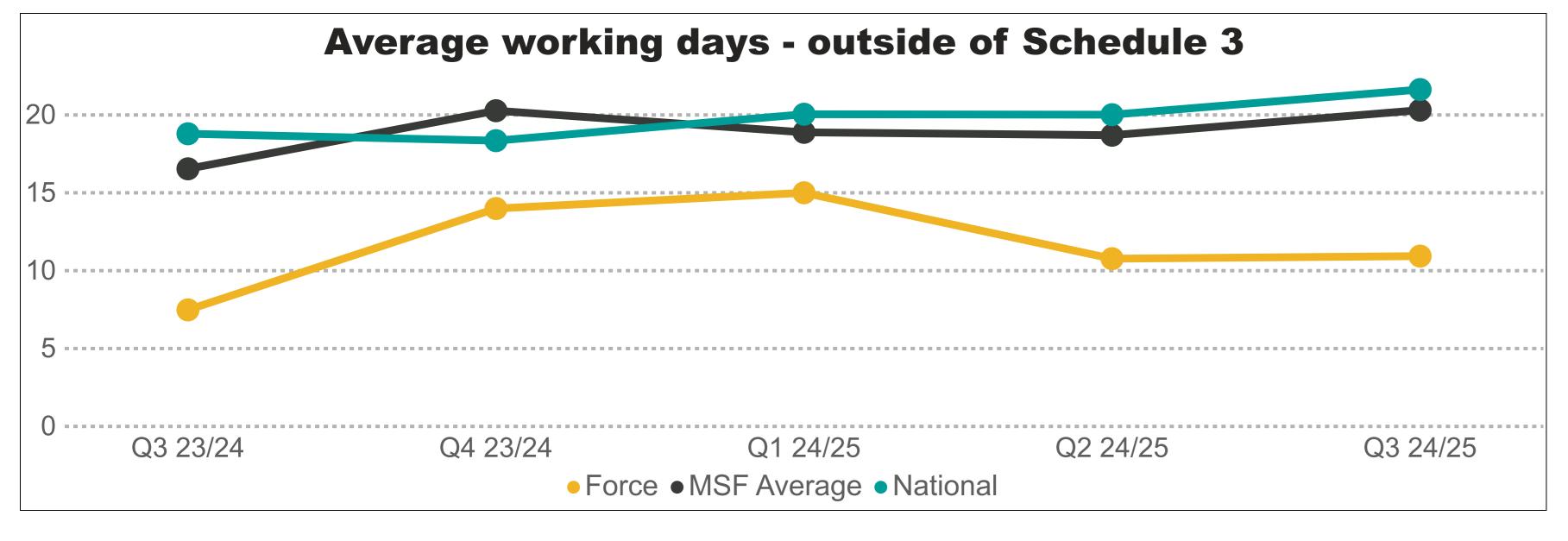
Section A2: Allegations timeliness

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.

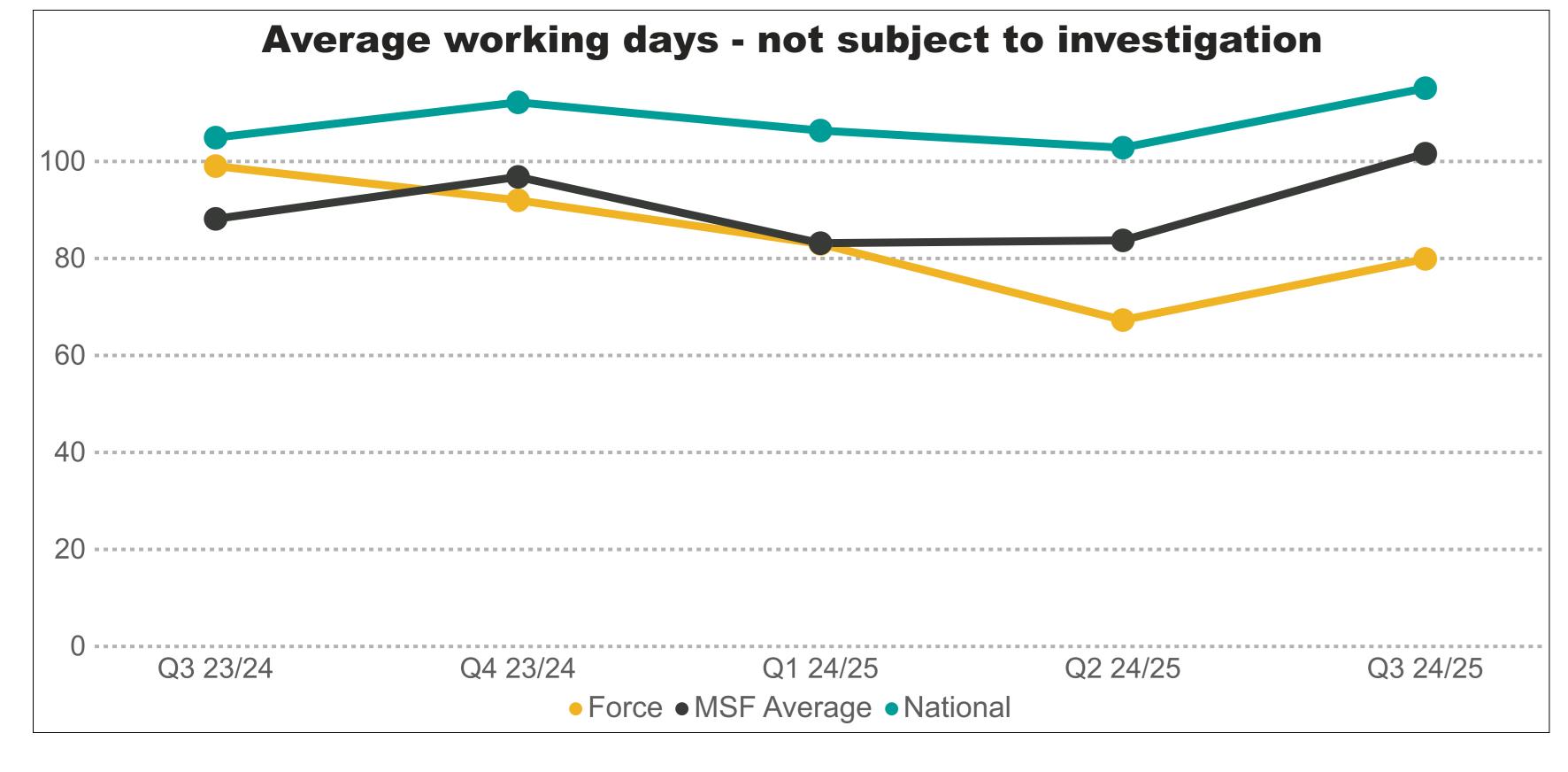
Independent investigation figures do not include conduct or death/serious injury investigations which are also investigated by the IOPC.

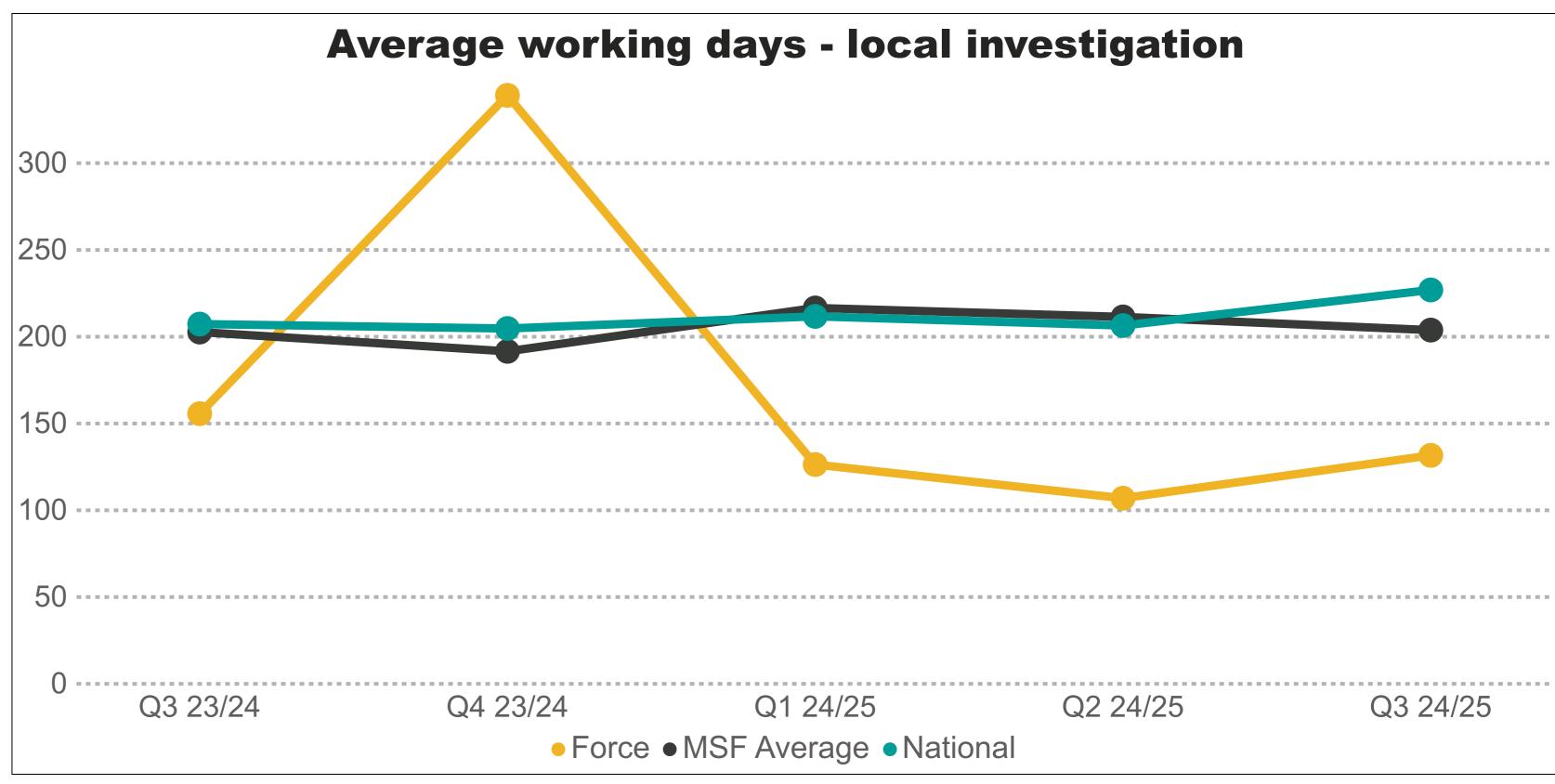
Allegations with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the performance framework counting rules and calculations on the IOPC website for an explanation of invalid dates.

Year to date	Outside of Sc	hedule 3	Under Schedule 3 - i	-		ile 3 - by local igation	Under Schedule 3 - by independent investigation			
Allegations	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days	Number Finalised	Average days		
Force	883	12	2,047	76	201	121	3	199		
SPLY	603	10	1,888	95	91	139	2	411		
MSF Average	1,049	19	1,553	90	314	205	1	90		
National	51,937	20	53,990	108	13,259	214	224	307		



Year to date	Under Schedule 3	- by directed investigation
Allegations	Number Finalised	Average days
Force	0	0
SPLY	0	0
MSF Average	0	0
National	17	574





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 %	MSF Average No.	MSF Average %	National No.	National %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	192	6 %	299	9 %	12,092	10 %
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	12	0 %	16	1 %	1,408	1 %
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	2,047	65 %	1553	52 %	53,990	45 %
Outside of Schedule 3	883	28 %	1049	38 %	51,937	43 %
Total	3,134	100 %	2916	100 %	119,427	100 %

Force: percent of allegations finalised by handling method

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



How allegations were handled (Year to date)	Year to Outside of Schedule 3			U				Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)				Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)				
Allegation decision	Force No.	Force %	National No.	Nation al %	Force No.	Force %	National No.	National %	Force No.	Force %	National No.	National %	Force No.	Force %	National No.	National %
No further action					115	6 %	4,006	7 %			22	2 %	6	3 %	347	3 %
Regulation 41 applies							77	0 %			3	0 %		·	155	1 %
Service provided - unable to determine					156	8 %	4,930	9 %			18	1 %	27	14 %	1,148	9 %
Service provided - not acceptable					247	12 %	7,176	13 %	3	2 5 %	43	3 %	17	9 %	1,461	12 %
Service provided - acceptable					1480	72 %	36,299	67 %	1	8 %	199	14 %	139	72 %	8,649	72 %
Not Resolved	33	4 %	2,767	5 %												
Resolved	850	96 %	49,169	95 %												
No Case to Answer									5	42 %	796	57 %				
Case to Answer									3	2 5 %	301	21 %				
Withdrawal					49	2 %	1,501	3 %			26	2 %	3	2 %	332	3 %

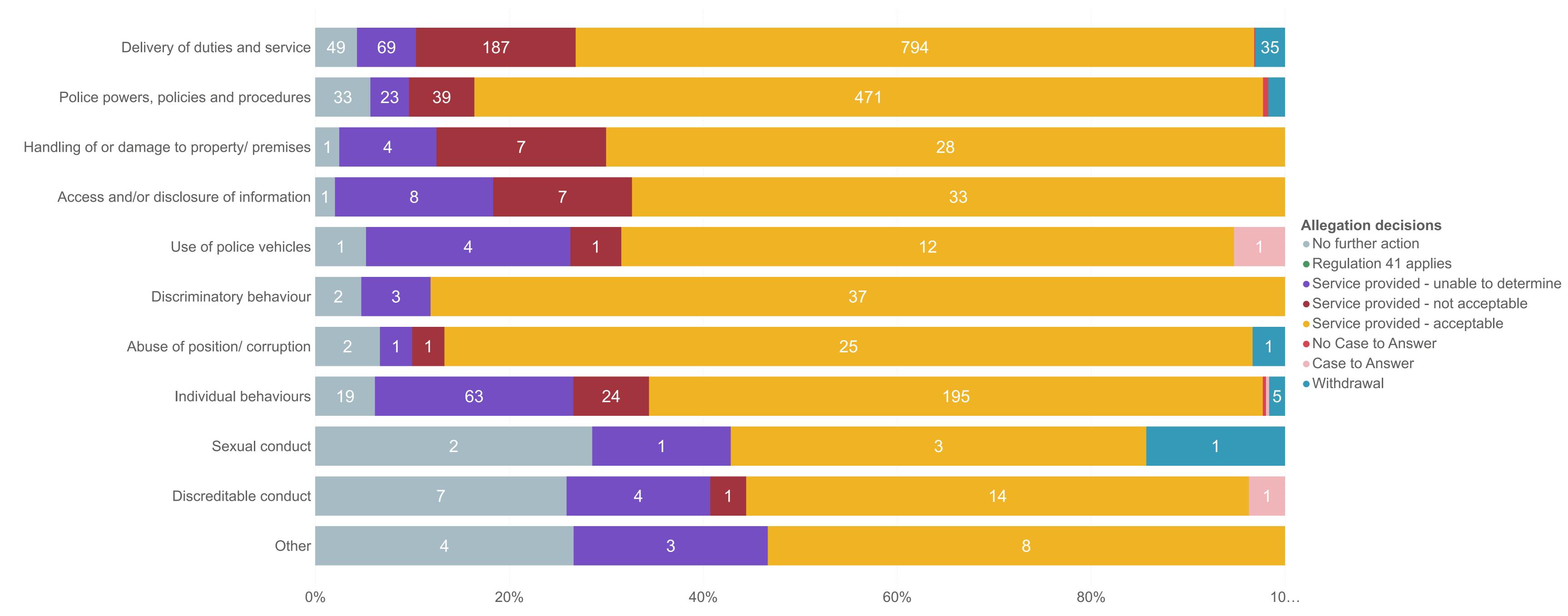
Section A3.2: Allegation decisions by what was complained about (Year to date by category)

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		Individual behaviours		Discreditable conduct	Other	Total
Resolved	592	97	25	10	14	3	1	101	0	1	6	850
Not Resolved	23	3	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	33

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 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 <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.

•	Fo	rce		SPLY	MSF	Average	Na	tional
Actions following outside of	Allegations	% Allegations						
Schedule 3 complaint cases	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised
Organisational learning	1	0 %	0	0 %	7	1 %	199	0 %
Learning from reflection	8	1 %	3	0 %	53	4 %	1,462	3 %
Policy review	0	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %	48	0 %
Goodwill gesture	0	0 %	2	0 %	2	0 %	80	0 %
Apology	54	6 %	46	8 %	117	12 %	4,995	10 %
Debrief	35	4 %	4	1 %	12	1 %	436	1 %
Explanation	698	79 %	439	73 %	683	67 %	32,190	62 %
No further action	71	8 %	81	13 %	115	11 %	5,660	11 %
Other action	15	2 %	27	4 %	50	5 %	6,288	12 %

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 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%.

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All complaint cases handled under Schedule 3

	Fo	orce	S	PLY	MSF	Average	National	
Actions following Schedule 3 complaint	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations
cases	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised
Organisational learning	14	1 %	19	1 %	19	1 %	586	1 %
Apology	108	5 %	66	3 %	95	4 %	2,663	4 %
Debrief	0	0 %	7	0 %	3	0 %	1,928	3 %
Explanation	1,875	83 %	1,431	72 %	921	51 %	41,875	62 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	1	0 %	0	0 %	2	0 %	27	0 %
No further action	149	7 %	278	14 %	667	36 %	14,539	22 %
Other action	9	0 %	16	1 %	51	2 %	670	1 %
Learning from reflection	87	4 %	152	8 %	83	4 %	3,600	5 %
Referral to RPRP	6	0 %	9	0 %	15	1 %	1,026	2 %

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

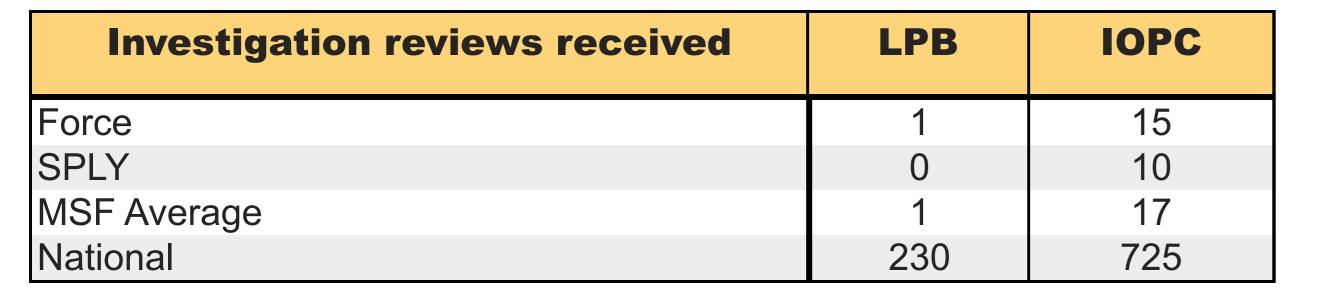
	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
Actions following Schedule 3 (special	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations	Allegations	% Allegations
procedures) cases	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised	Finalised
Misconduct proceedings	1	8 %	1	14 %	2	11 %	157	11 %
Unsatisfactory Performance Procedure (UPP)	0	0 %	0	0 %	1	4 %	10	1 %
Other actions following a case to answer decision	1	8 %	0	0 %	1	6 %	93	7 %
Referral to RPRP	2	17 %	0	0 %	2	13 %	230	16 %

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

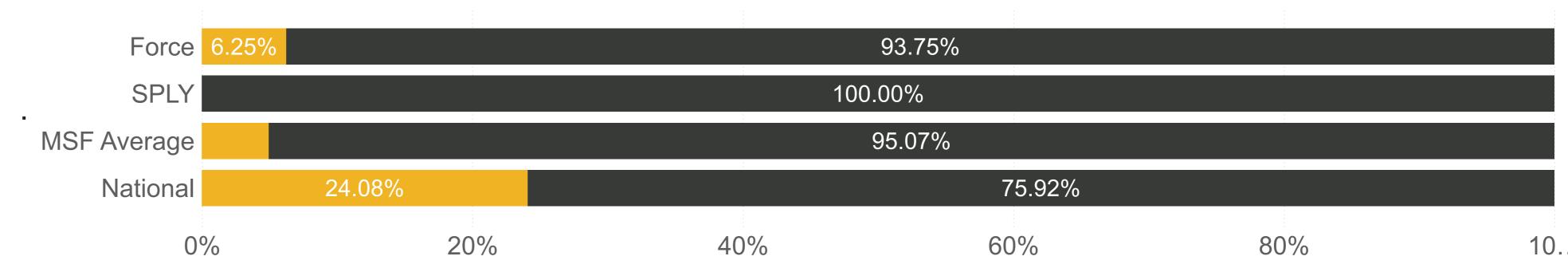
This section presents data on the number of reviews received about this force by the IOPC and by the local policing body. The charts enable you to see the proportion of each review type being received by the two bodies. For information on when the IOPC should be the review body, please see our <u>Statutory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

Non-investigation reviews received	LPB	IOPC
Force	64	18
SPLY	63	7
MSF Average	85	19
National	2,868	1,076

Force	78.05%	21.9	5%
SPLY	90.00%		10.00%
/ISF Average	82.06%	17	7.94%
National	72.72%	27.28%	



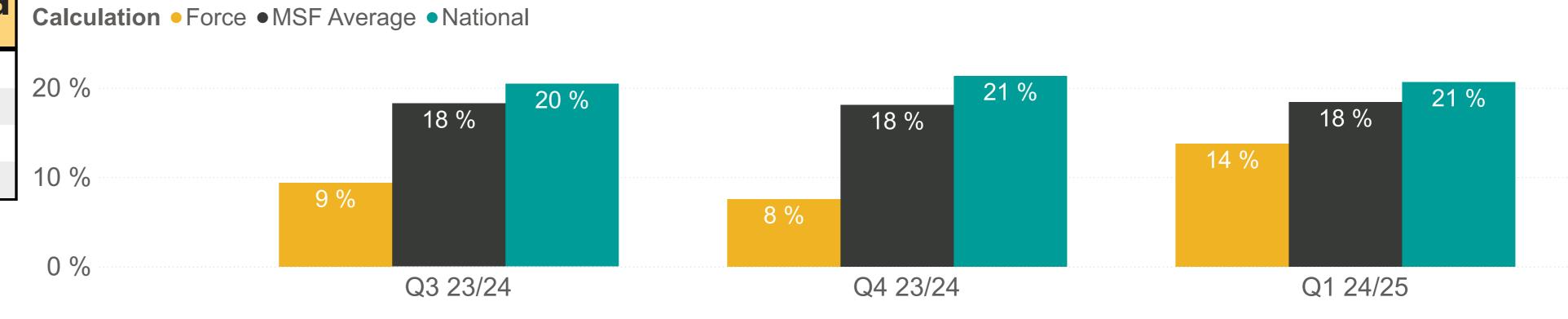




Complaints are not finalised until after any reviews are completed. However, this measure helps to provide an indication of how often reviews are made in comparison to the number of complaints completed.

•	Reviews received	Schedule 3 complaints finalised
Force	98	665
SPLY	80	805
MSF Average	121	641
National	4,899	23,364

Reviews received as a proportion of Schedule 3 cases



	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Average number of working days to complete Local Policing Body reviews	63	51	46	48
Average number of working days to complete IOPC reviews	90	126	142	137

Section C2: Outcomes on reviews

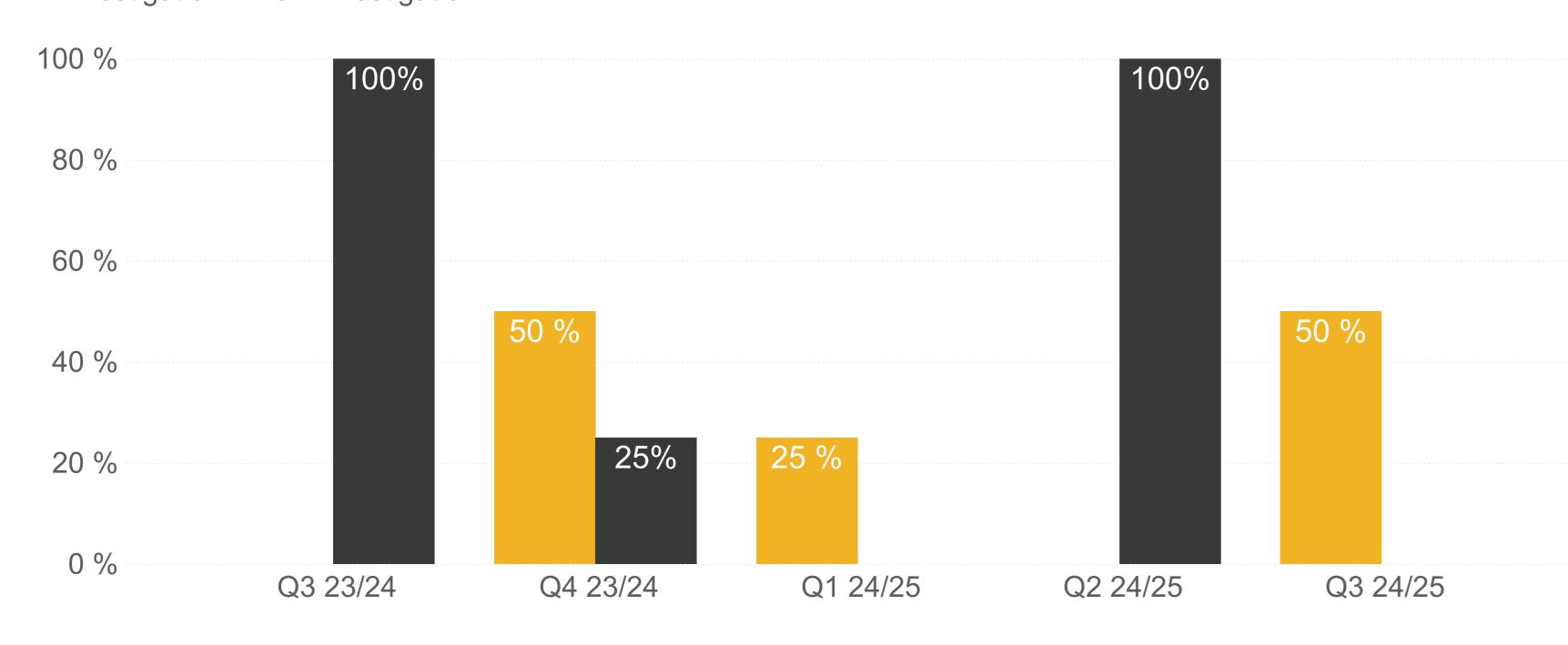
This section presents information about the decisions made on reviews including the proportion of reviews that found the outcome of the complaint was not reasonable and proportionate leading to the review being upheld.

Investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed investigation (IOPC)	Upheld investigation (IOPC)	Completed investigation (LPB)	Upheld investigation (LPB)
Force	8	3	1	
SPLY	8	2	0	
MSF Average	16	5	1	
National	631	201	215	57

Non- investigation reviews (YTD)	Completed non- investigation (IOPC)	Upheld non- investigation (IOPC)	Completed non- investigation (LPB)	Upheld non- investigation (LPB)
Force	6	1	44	3
SPLY	5	2	66	7
MSF Average	13	4	77	13
National	729	226	2,774	578

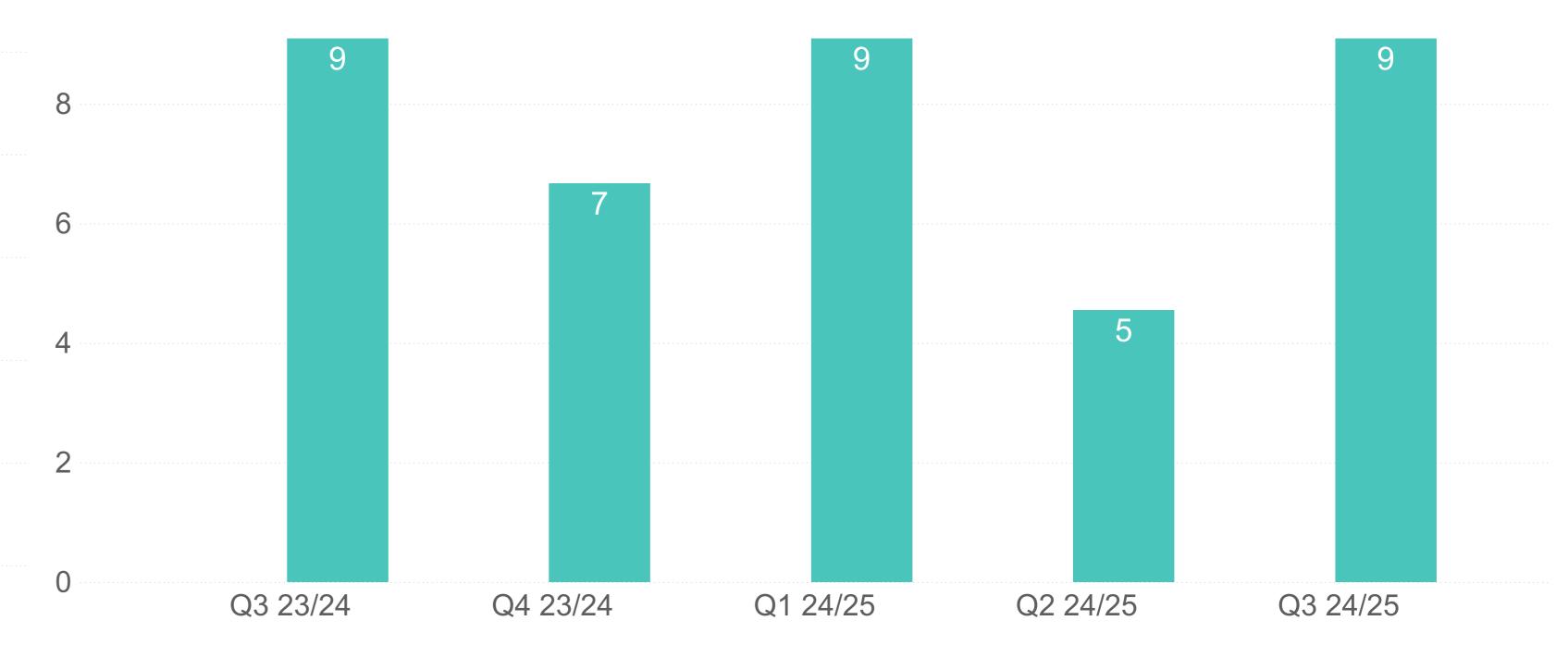
% IOPC reviews upheld - Force

Investigation
 Non-investigation



% LPB Reviews upheld - Force

InvestigationNon-investigation



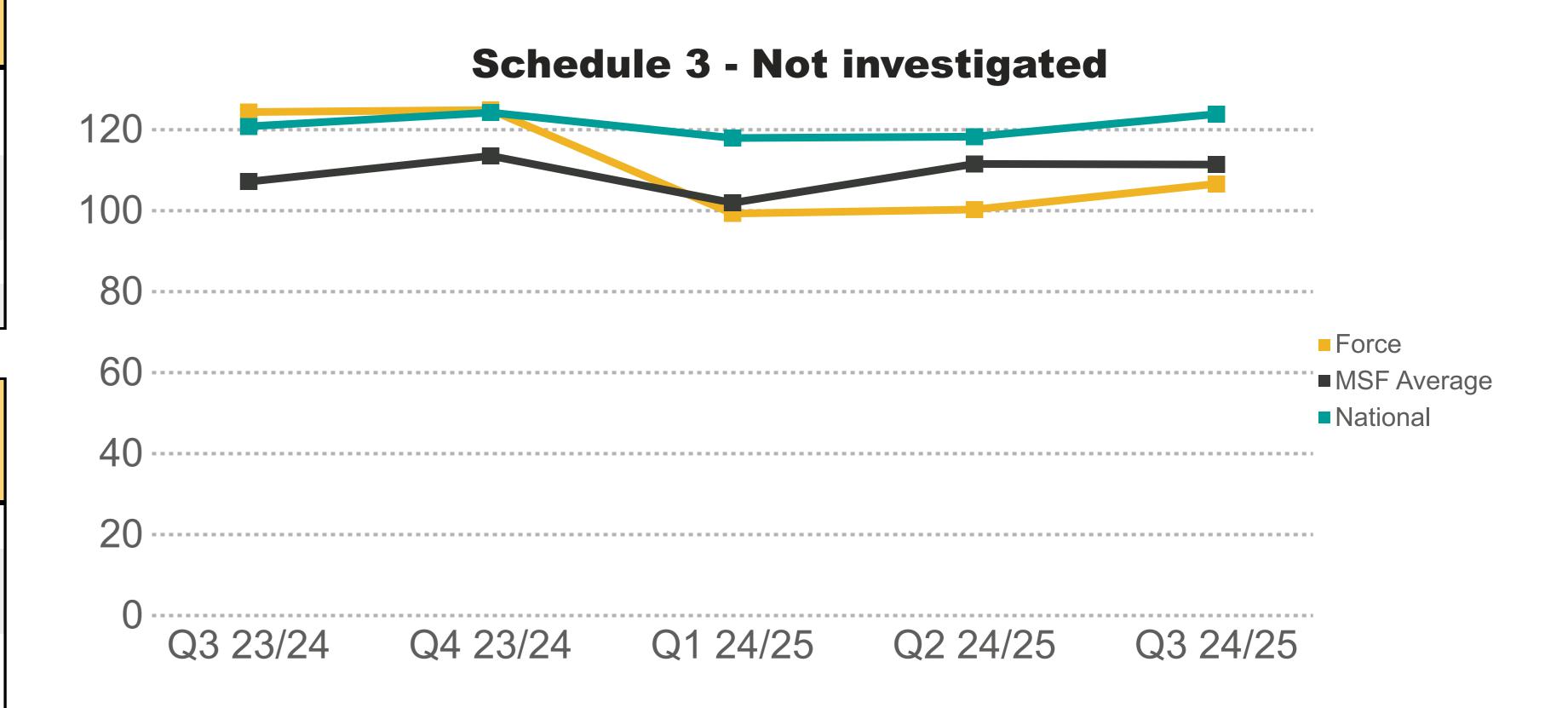
Section D1: Complaint cases finalised under Schedule 3 - timeliness

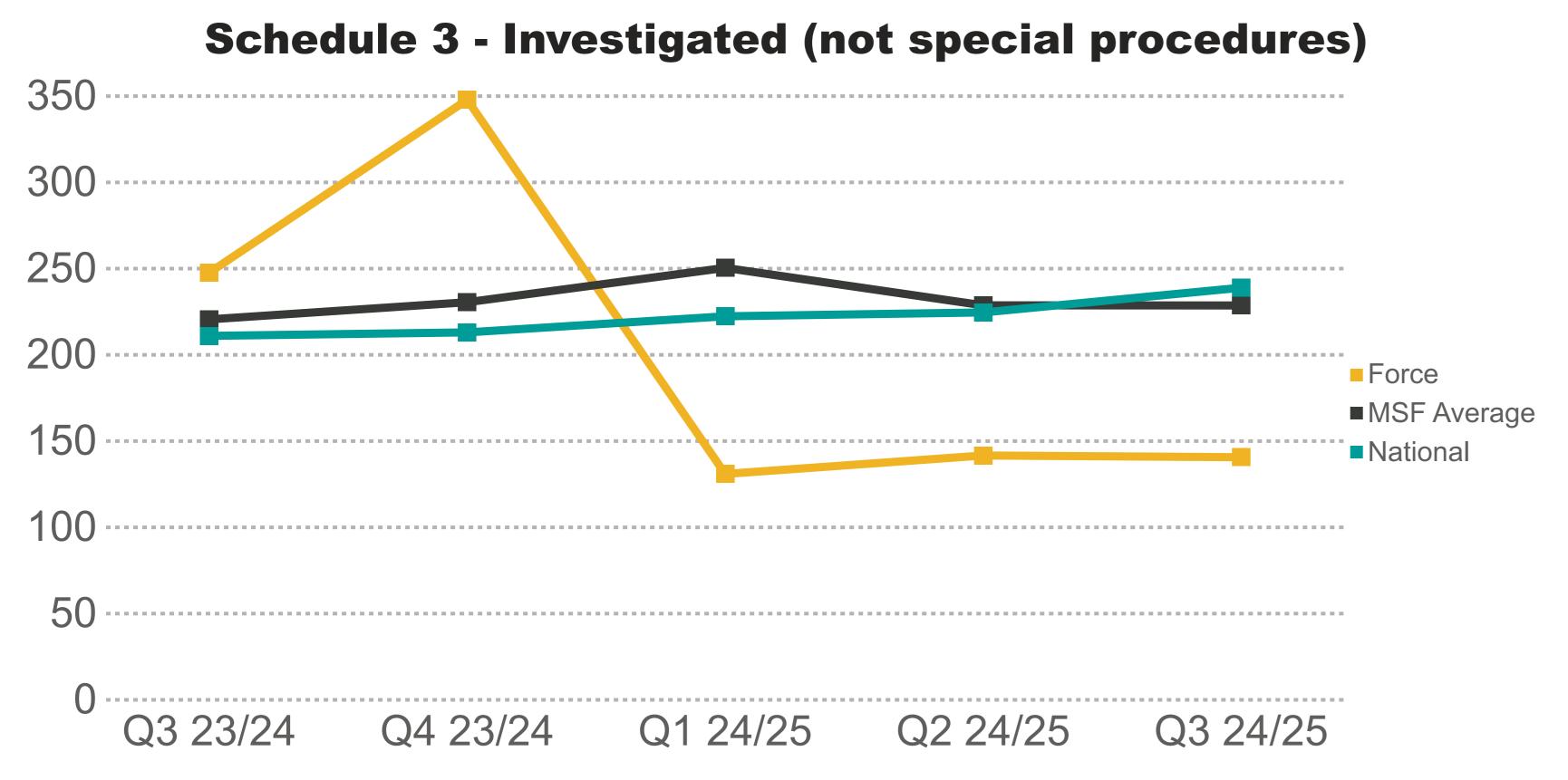
This section shows the time it takes the force to finalise complaint cases from the customer's perspective. It gives a breakdown of the time taken to finalise complaint cases handled handled formally under Schedule 3. Timeliness is calculated from the date the complaint was made. On cases under Schedule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

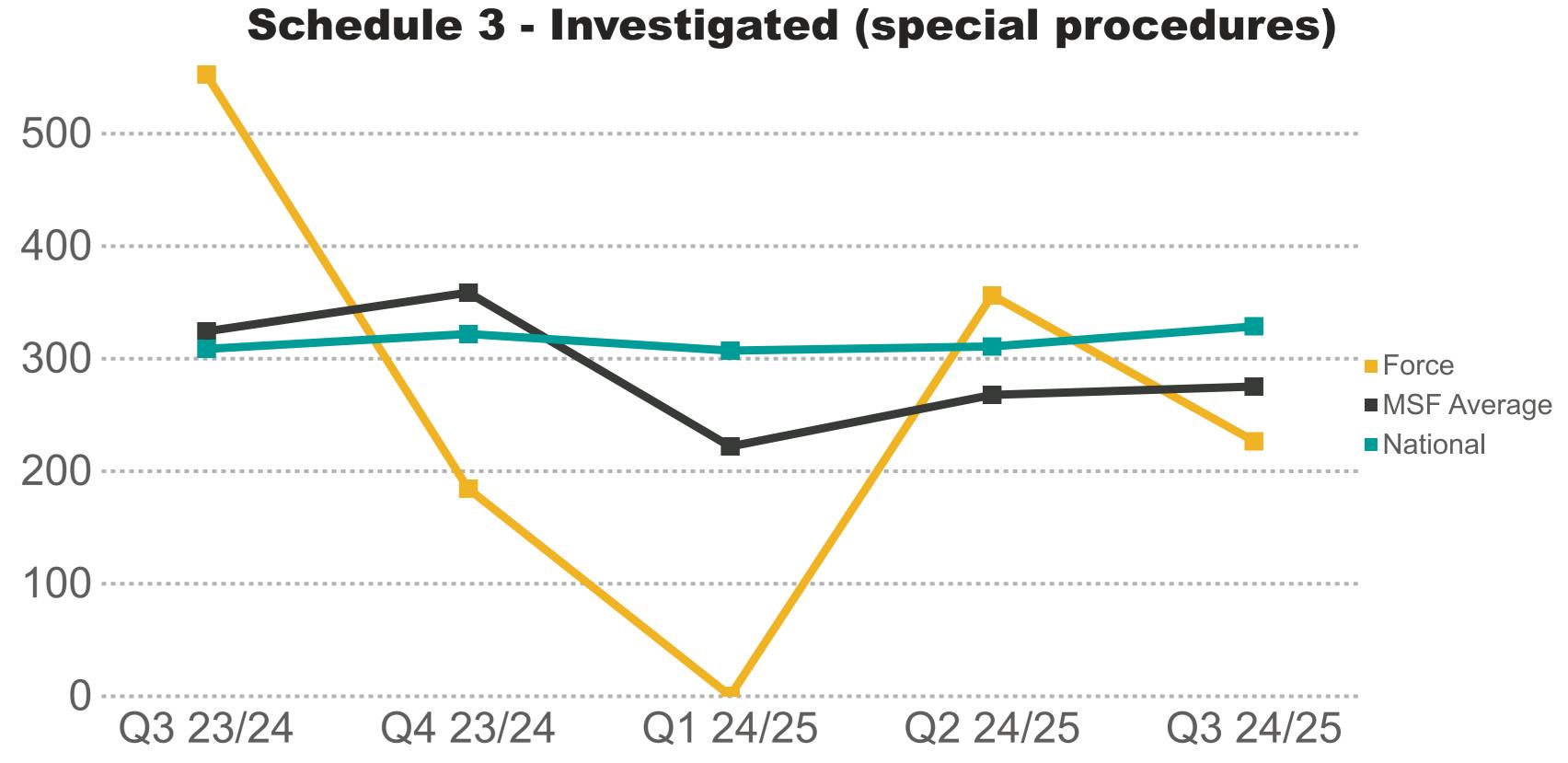
Complaint cases with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the <u>IOPC website</u> performance framework counting rules and calculations on the for an explanation of invalid dates. For more information on the proportion of complaints handled under each method (along with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

Average working days to finalise (Year	Force	SPLY	MSF	National
to date) ▼			Average	
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	282	552	328	315
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	138	232	228	228
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	102	118	108	120
Total	106	123	126	142

Number finalised (Year to date)	Force	SPLY	MSF Average	National
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	604	774	550	19,007
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	54	29	83	3,833
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	7	2	8	524
Total	665	805	641	23,364







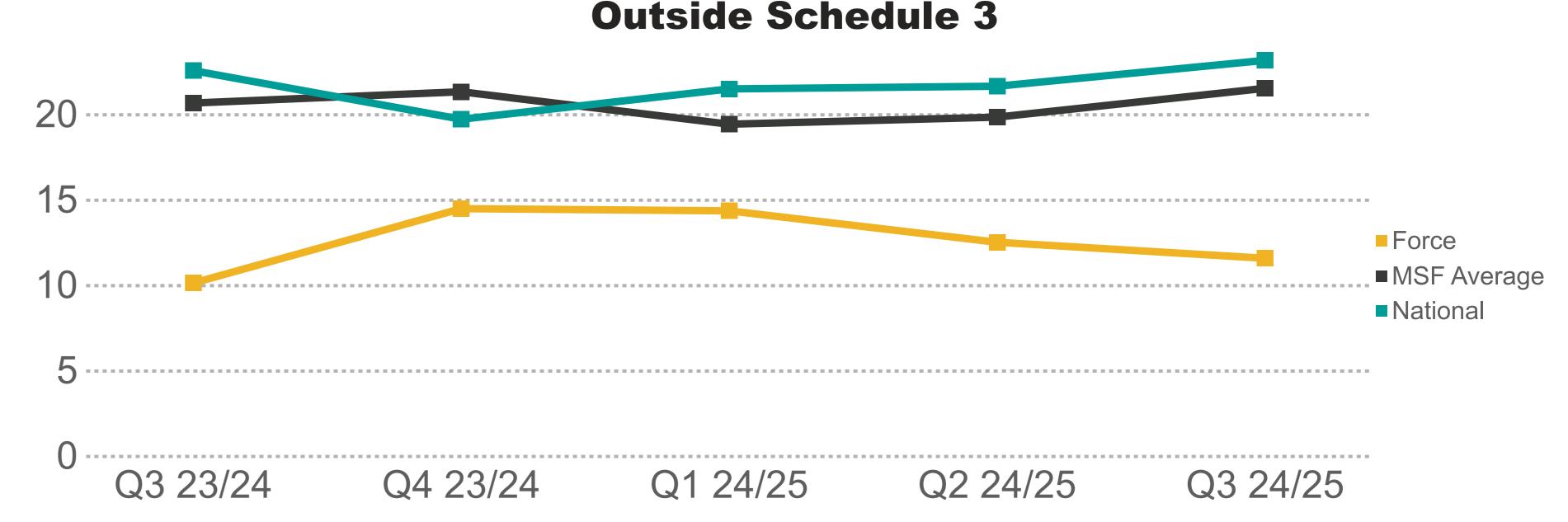
Section D2: Complaint cases finalised outside of Schedule 3 - timeliness

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.

Complaint cases with 'invalid dates' have been removed from the data shown. Please refer to the <u>IOPC website</u> 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	659	494	895	43520
Average days to finalise complaint cases handled outside of Schedule 3	13	10	20	22



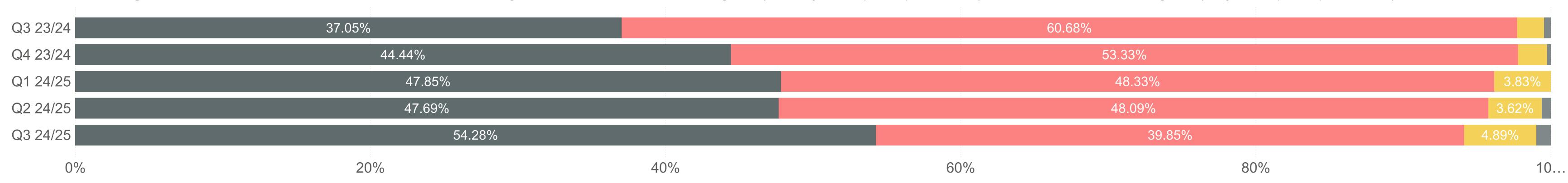
Section D3: How complaint cases handled

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.

	Force		SPLY		MSF Average		National	
Means Of Handling (YTD)	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised	Complaints Finalised	% Finalised
Outside of Schedule 3	659	50%	494	38%	895	58%	43,520	65%
Under Schedule 3 - not investigated	604	46%	774	60%	550	36%	19,007	28%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (not subject to special procedures)	54	4%	29	2%	83	5%	3,834	6%
Under Schedule 3 investigated (subject to special procedures)	7	1%	2	0%	8	1%	524	1%
Total	1,324	100%	1,299	100%	1,536	100%	66,885	100%

Force: percent of complaint cases finalised by handling method

Means Of Handling • Outside of Schedule 3 • Under Schedule 3 - not 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.

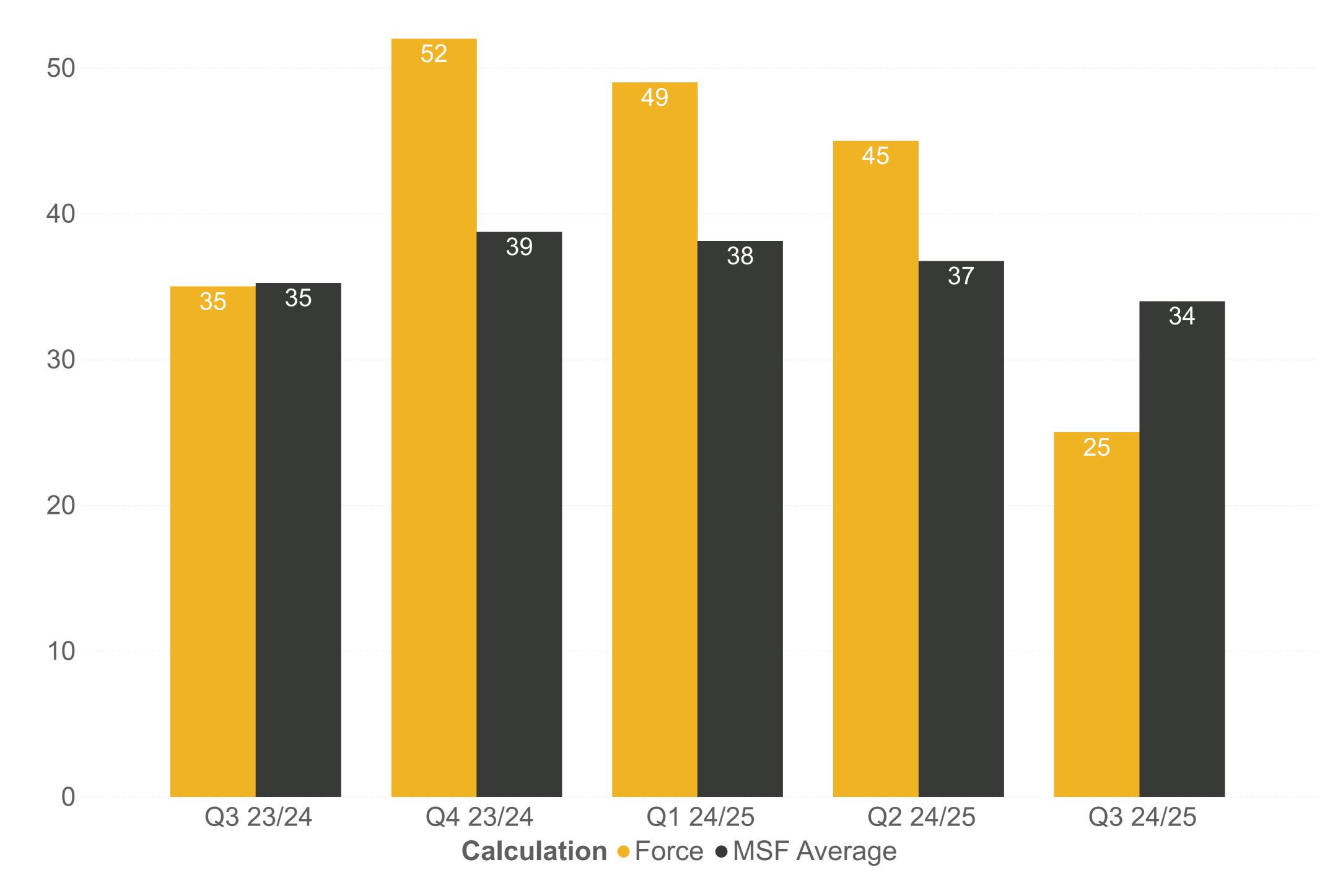
Where a referral is made by the force on a mandatory basis but does not meet the mandatory referral criteria, the matter may not fall within the IOPC's remit to assess and will be determined invalid.

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	119	100	109	5,168
Number referrals completed	123	98	107	5,081
Decision: Independent Investigation	0	4	5	279
Decision: Directed Investigation	0	2	0	23
Decision: Local Investigation	68	57	59	2,754
Decision: Return to Force	51	34	39	1,907
Decision: Invalid	4	1	4	116

Force and MSF Group referrals received



Most Similar Force (MSF) Group: Avon And Somerset, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Essex, Kent, Northamptonshire, Staffordshire, Wiltshire

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).