

# 2025 USE OF FORCE



July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2025  
**5-Year Report**

## Overview

The Alaska Department of Public Safety (DPS) tracks and analyzes the use of force of all officers employed by DPS and proactively publishes an annual Use of Force 5-Year Report for all use of force incidents involving the Alaska State Troopers, Alaska Wildlife Troopers, Court Services Officers, Village Public Safety Officers, and Deputy Fire Marshals.

This report includes data from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2025.

DPS also voluntarily participates in the US Department of Justice law enforcement use of force data collection effort.

For more information on DPS Use of Force policy, you can review our Operating Procedures Manual Chapter 107 at: [https://dps.alaska.gov/AST/PIO/CompleteOPM\\_Redacted.pdf](https://dps.alaska.gov/AST/PIO/CompleteOPM_Redacted.pdf).

## Use of Force

Use of Force incidents can have more than one reason for using force, type of force, citizen resistance type, and service rendered.

“Display firearm” was added as a category in January 2022. Previously officers selected “Firearm” for display firearm even when they do not fire their firearm.

Total instances: 2,147

Average age of involved citizen: 35

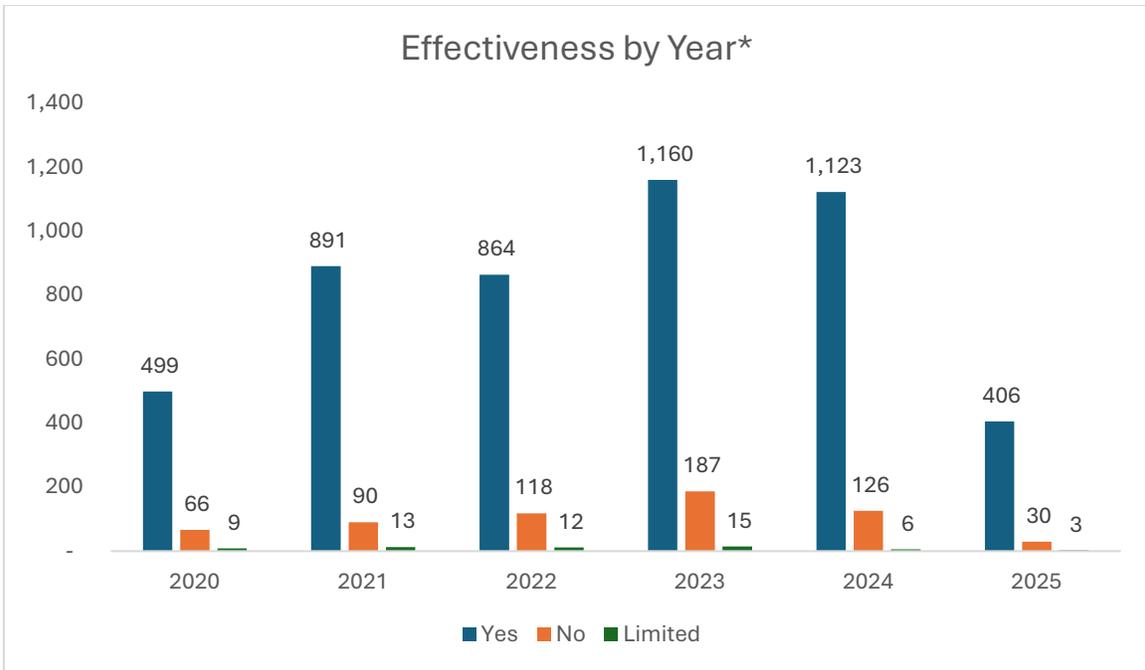
Average age of involved employee: 35

## Effectiveness of Types of Use of Force in Percent and Total

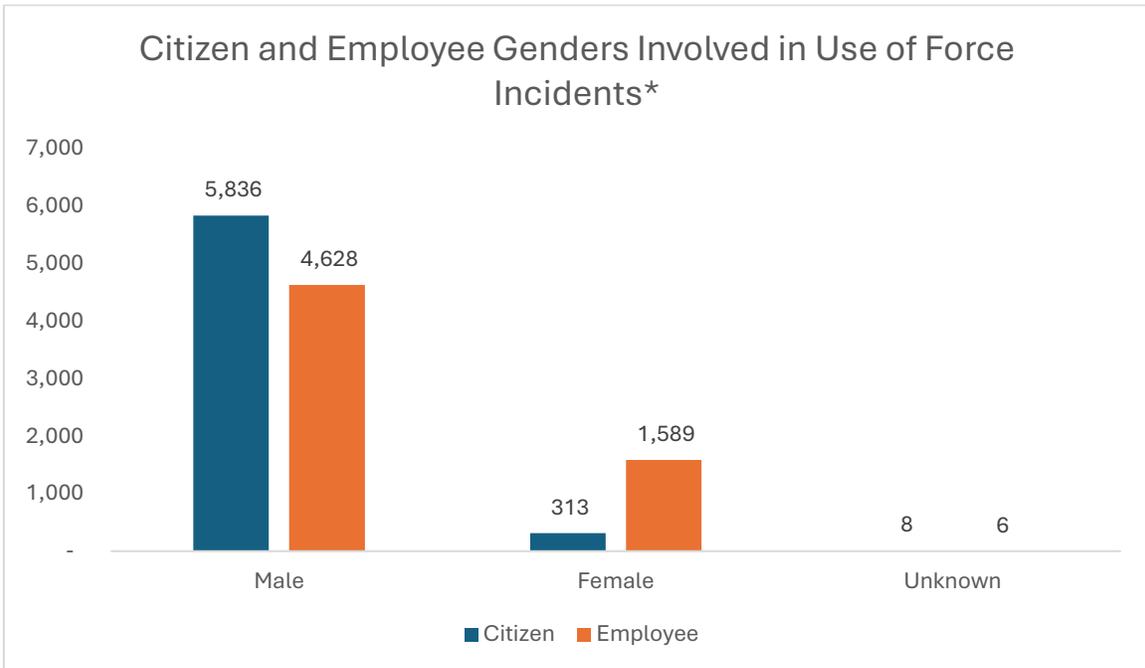
### Effectiveness

Type of Force Used	Limited		No		Yes	
	%	#	%	#	%	#
Armored Vehicle	-	-	31%	21	69%	47
Bean Bag Projectile	-	-	17%	6	83%	29
Block	-	-	5%	1	95%	19
Breaching	-	-	-	-	100%	9
CS	-	-	38%	5	62%	8
CS Projectile	-	-	30%	3	70%	7
Display Firearm	-	-	13%	264	86%	1,699
Extraordinary	-	-	11%	1	89%	8
Firearm	-	-	8%	58	91%	632
Impact Weapon	-	-	29%	8	71%	20
K-9	-	-	10%	16	90%	138
LVNR	-	-	-	-	100%	1
NFDD	-	-	48%	13	52%	14
OC	-	-	19%	21	81%	91
OC Projectile	-	-	50%	5	50%	5
Pin	-	-	10%	2	90%	19
Taser	8%	58	17%	126	75%	548
Unarmed	-	-	4%	67	96%	1,649
<b>Total</b>		<b>58</b>		<b>617</b>		<b>4,943</b>

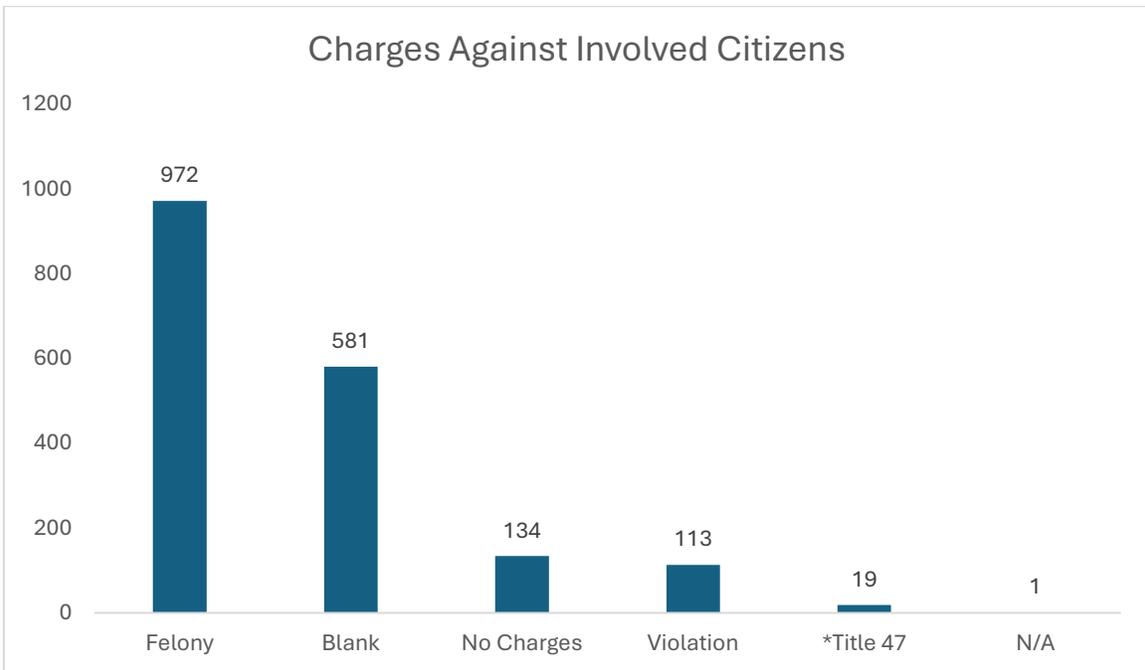
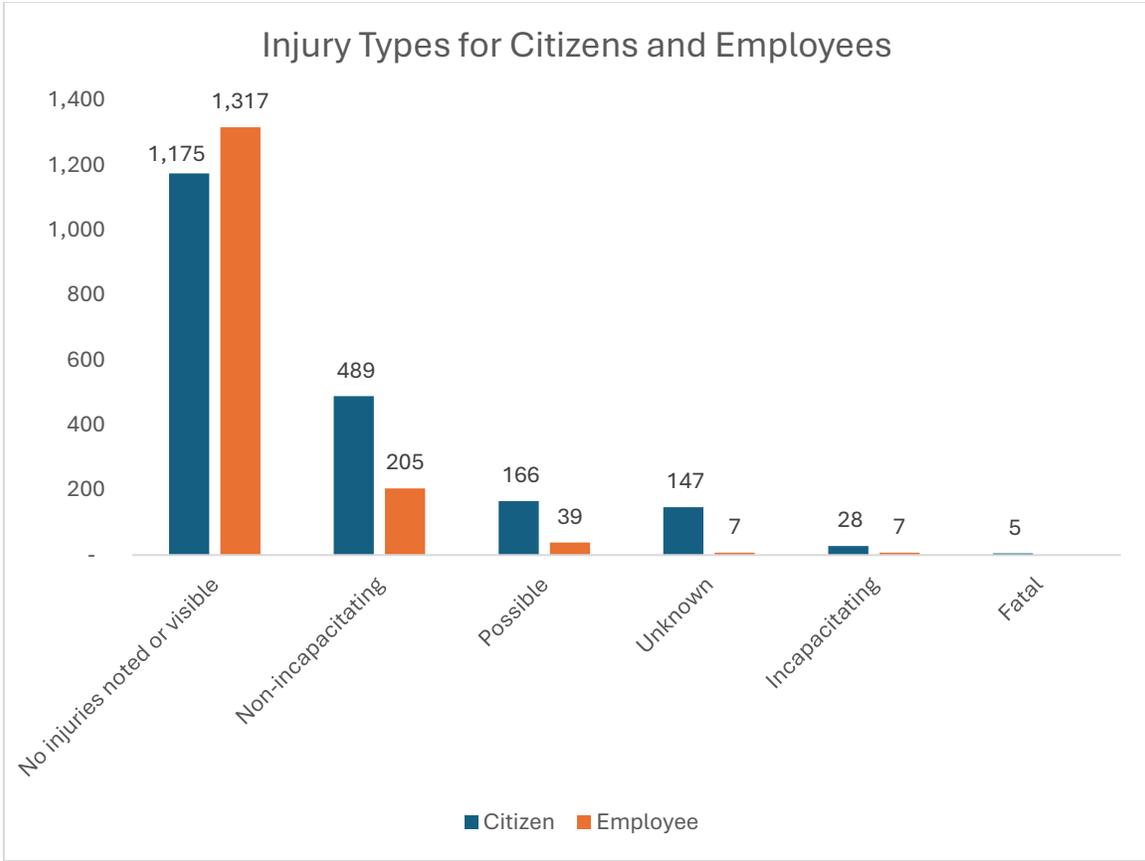
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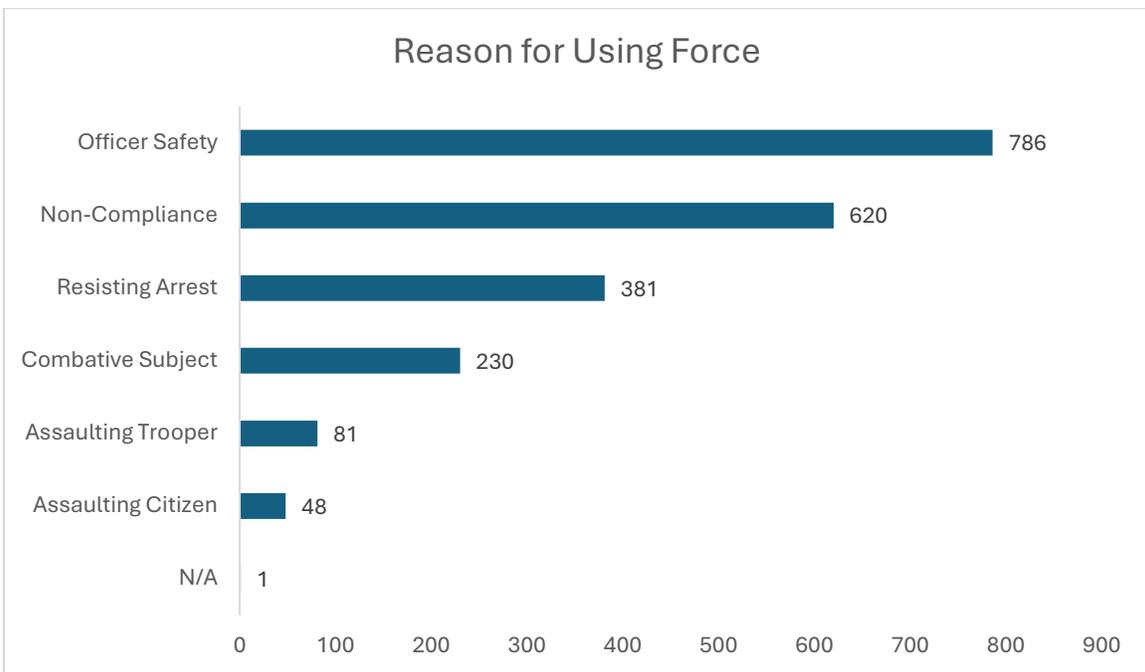
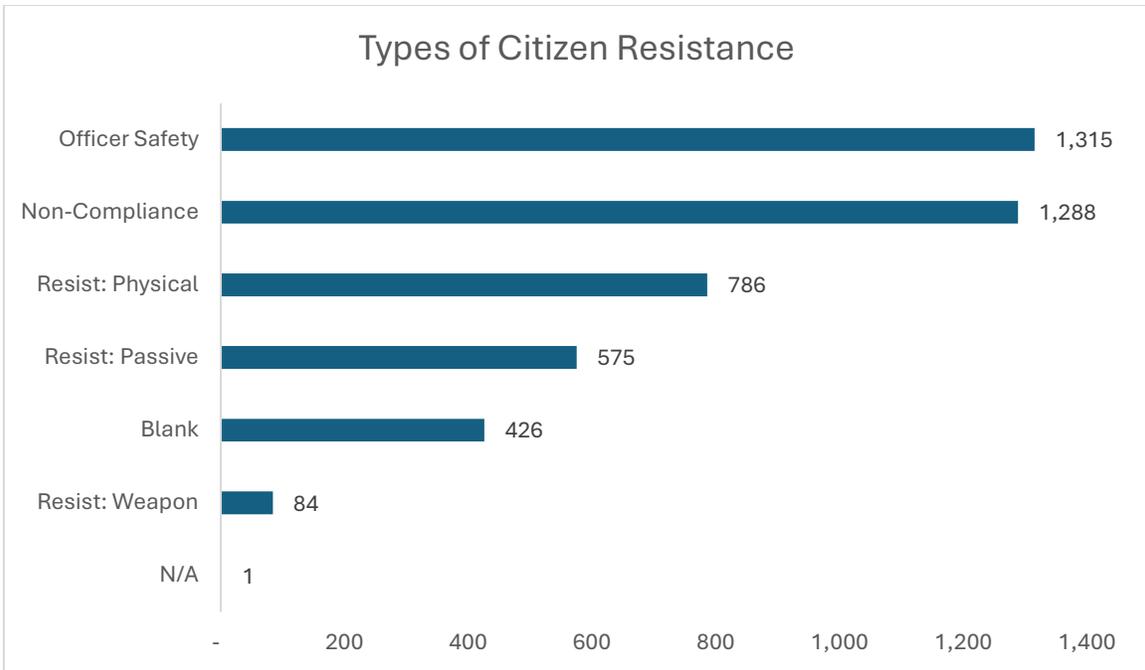
2020 and 2025 are partial years, representing January 1 – June 30.



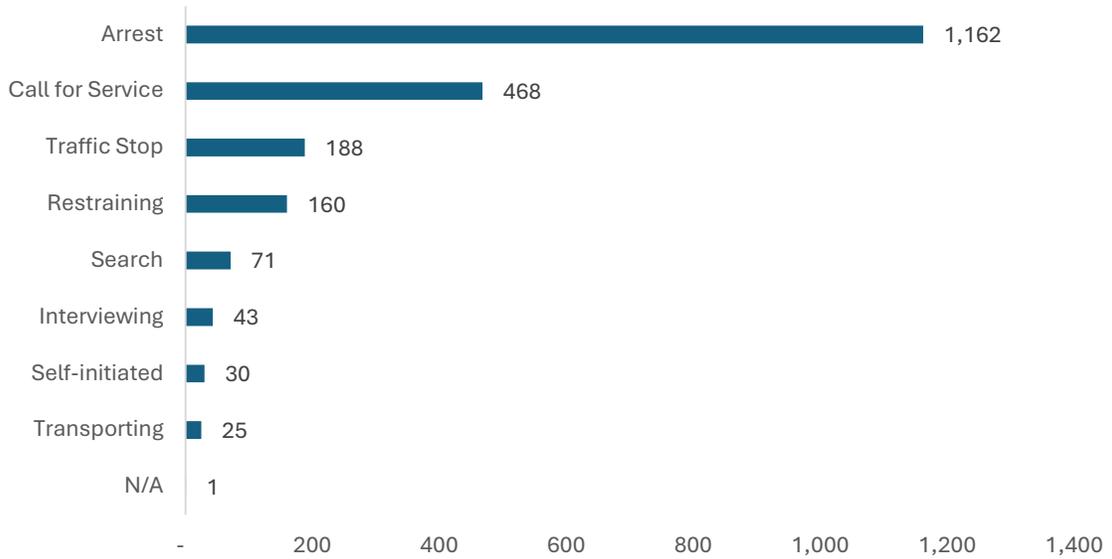
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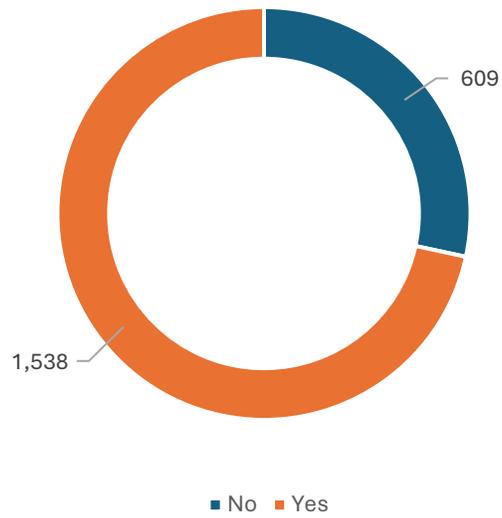
*\*Title 47 is not a criminal charge. This refers to when a person was transported to a medical facility for a mental health evaluation.*



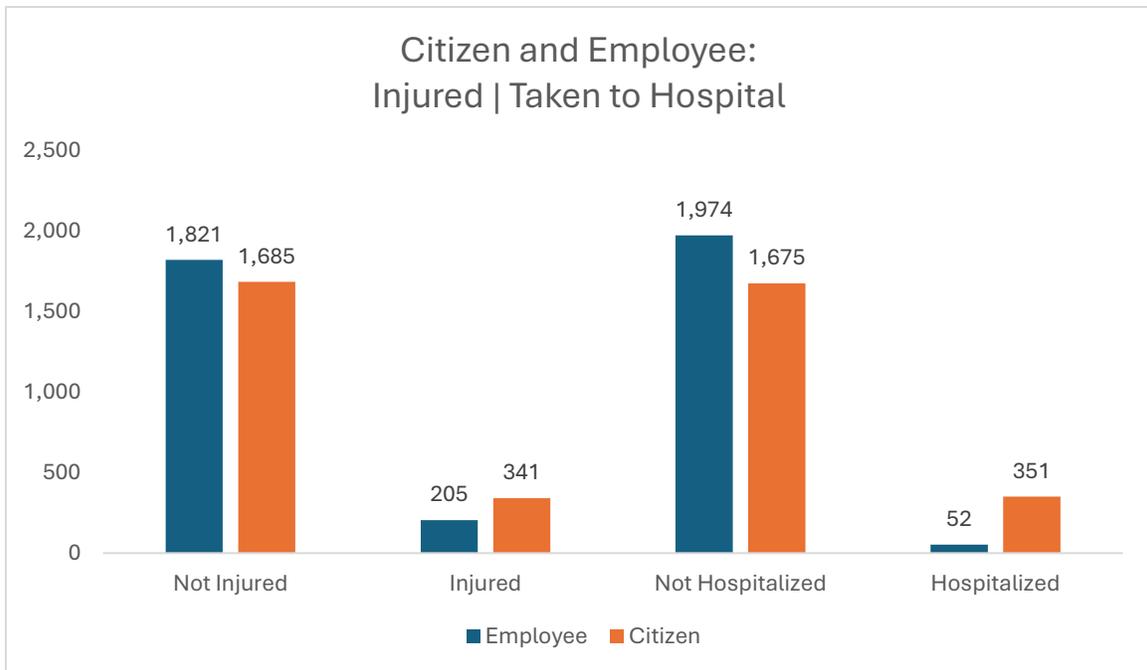
### Types of Service Rendered



### Citizen Arrested



### Citizen and Employee: Injured | Taken to Hospital



## Firearm Discharge Totals

Location	Detachment	Suspect: Armed with	Citizens: Involved	Citizens: Fatally Wounded	Citizens: Non-life-threatening Wounds	Officers: Discharged Firearms
Houston	B	Handgun	1	1	-	3
Fairbanks	D	Rifle	1	1	-	3
Wasilla	B	BB Handgun	1	-	1	1
Wasilla	B	Shotgun	1	-	1	1
Kasilof	A	Shotgun; Handgun	1	1	-	3
Gambell	C	Rifle	1	-	1	3
Eek	C	Shotgun	1	-	-	1
Juneau	A	Knife	1	1	-	3
Kenai	A	Spear	1	1	-	1
Marshall	C	Handgun	1	-	-	1
Wasilla	B	Knife	1	-	1	1
Healy	D	Handgun	1	1	-	3
Tok	D	Rifle	1	1	-	1
Fairbanks	D	Rifle	1	1	-	2
Fairbanks	D	Unarmed Combat	1	-	-	1
North Pole	D	Handgun	1	-	1	2
Fairbanks	D	Rifle	1	1	-	2
Wasilla	B	Handgun	1	1	-	1
Fairbanks	D	Handgun	2	1	1	3
Golovin	C	Shotgun	1	-	1	1
Wasilla	B	Handgun	1	1	-	3
Sterling	A	Handgun	1	-	-	1
Holy Cross	C	Rifle	1	1	-	1
Selawik	C	Shotgun	1	1	-	1
Salcha	D	Rifle	1	1	-	1
Fairbanks	D	Paintball Gun	1	1	-	1
Wasilla	B	Shotgun	1	1	-	5
Fairbanks	D	Handgun	1	1	-	4
Dillingham	C	Rifle	1	-	1	3
Palmer	B	Handgun	1	-	1	1
Glennallen	B	Rifle	1	-	-	2
Wasilla	I	Handgun	1	1	-	1
Anchor Point	A	Handgun	1	1	-	2
Wasilla	B	Unarmed Combat	1	1	-	1
Kasilof	A	Handgun	1	1	-	1
Delta Junction	I	Rifle	1	1	-	2
<b>Total</b>			<b>37</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>67</b>