



# BOARDMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Annual Boardman Police Department Use of Force Review: 2019

The duties of a police officer to protect life and property and to apprehend criminals necessarily involve the use of some degree of force. But the force used must be reasonably balanced against the resistance faced in the lawful performance of their duties.

It is understood that Officers of the Boardman Police Department may at time encounter resistance or aggression while engaged in the execution of their lawful duties. Officers will respond to resistance or aggression with that degree of force that is necessary and reasonable in accordance with the objective reasonableness standard set by statutes and judicial precedence.

Boardman Police Department will collect and analyze data related to the use of force, conduct training in the proper application of force, and continually work to identify and address any issues related to the use of force by our department. The results of this review are attached, with a general overview listed below:

2019 Arrests:	1947*
Incidents w/ Resistance/Aggression Encountered:	77** (3% of all arrests)
Adults:	65 (84.4%)
Juveniles:	12 (15.5%)
Male:	39 (75.3%)
Female:	19 (24.6%)
Race (White):	51 (66.2%)
Minority:	25 (32.4%)
Use of Taser:	14 (18.1%)

2019\* Arrests: Combination tally using currently uploaded Emergitech reports and annual arrest data. \*\* For Resistance/Aggression Encountered, specific incident data compiled from specific apprehension reports.

Boardman Police Department remains committed to professionally and safely doing its job on a daily basis. An unfortunate aspect of the job is that at times force must be used to apprehend individuals involved in criminal conduct. We will continually look at how we respond to these situations to ensure we are doing so in a measured and appropriate manner.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 330-729-2028, or [twerth@boardmantwp.com](mailto:twerth@boardmantwp.com).

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**Boardman Police Department****2019***Review of Resistance/Aggression Encountered During Arrest*

<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF ARRESTS</b>	<b>1947*</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF RESISTINGS</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF ARRESTS WHERE RESISTANCE WAS ENCOUNTERED</b>	<b>3.9%</b>

<b>INDIVIDUAL'S ACTIONS</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
1) WEAPONS USED AGAINST OFFICER	<b>2</b>
2) ATTEMPTING TO DISARM OFFICER	<b>2</b>
3) LIFE THREATENING WEAPONLESS ASSAULT	<b>1</b>
4) STRIKING OR KICKING OFFICER	<b>9</b>
5) WRESTLING WITH OFFICER	<b>23</b>
6) PUSHING OFFICER	<b>13</b>
7) PULLING AWAY FROM OFFICER (FLEEING OFFICER)	<b>73</b>
8) REFUSING TO MOVE – DEAD WEIGHT	<b>41</b>
9) NOT RESPONDING TO COMMANDS	<b>76</b>
10) VERBAL DANGER CUES	<b>54</b>
11) PHYSICAL DANGER CUES	<b>74</b>

<b>OFFICER'S RESPONSES</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
1) DEADLY FORCE	<b>1</b>
2) BATON TECHNIQUES	<b>0</b>
3) LESS-LETHAL IMPCAT MUNITIONS	<b>0</b>
4) PPCT SHOULDER PIN	<b>N/A</b>
5) STRIKING STRUCTURAL AREAS	<b>5</b>
6) O.C. AEROSOL AGENTS	<b>0</b>
7) BATON RESTRAINTS	<b>0</b>
8) TASER (ELECTRONIC CONTROL DEVICE)	<b>14</b>
9) STRIKING MOTOR MUSCLE GROUPS	<b>10</b>
10) TAKEDOWNS	<b>37</b>
11) JOINT MANIPULATION	<b>36</b>
12) PPC	<b>6</b>
13) BALANCE DISPLACEMENT	<b>45</b>
14) ESCORT POSITION	<b>42</b>
15) ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER OFFICERS	<b>69</b>
16) VERBAL OR PHYSICAL COMMANDS	<b>77</b>

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### RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE/AGGRESSION ANALYSIS / 2019

Shift Occurrences	Total	%
Day Turn	<b>19</b>	<b>24.6</b>
Afternoon Turn	<b>24</b>	<b>31.1</b>
Midnight Turn	<b>34</b>	<b>44.1</b>

Number of Reported Encounters of R/A	<b>77</b>
Number of Officers Involved (Total)	<b>205</b>

Incident of Defendant Injuries (Total / %)		Incident of Officer Injuries (Total / %)	
No Injuries	<b>60/77.9%</b>	No Injuries	<b>194/95%</b>
Minor – No Medical Attention	<b>17/22.1%</b>	Minor – No Medical Attention	<b>11/5%</b>
Minor – Medical Attention		Minor – Medical Attention	
Major – Hospital Admission	<b>1</b>	Major – Hospital Admission	<b>0</b>

Race			Adults (Total / %)		Juvéniles (Total / %)	
	Total	% of Total	Male	Female	Male	Female
			<b>65 / 84.4%</b>		<b>12 / 15.5%</b>	
White	<b>51</b>	<b>66.2%</b>	<b>39</b> 50.6%	<b>6</b> 7.7%	<b>4</b> 5.1%	<b>2</b> 2.5%
Black	<b>25</b>	<b>32.4%</b>	<b>12</b> 15.5%	<b>7</b> 9%	<b>3</b> 3.8%	<b>3</b> 3.8%
Other	<b>1</b>	<b>1.2%</b>		<b>1</b> 1%		

Impairment	
Not Impaired	<b>46</b>
Impaired / Unknown Reason	<b>0</b>
Alcohol	<b>23</b>
Drugs	<b>6</b>
Mental	<b>2</b>
<b>Total Impaired / %</b>	<b>40%</b>