



Use-of-Force Annual Review 2017

Out of the **2,738 arrests** made by Beaufort County Sheriff's Office deputies in 2017, there were **15 incidents** in which force was used to effect an arrest.

Use-of-force incidents represented **.5 percent** of total arrests in 2017.

Altogether, **21 deputies** were involved.

These incidents included:

- 13 individuals
- 1 animal
- 1 accidental discharge of service weapon

All 13 of the incidents involving individuals and the incident involving an animal were found to be in compliance with the Sheriff's Office standard operating procedures for use of force. Though no one was injured in the accidental discharge incident, it was found to be in violation of policy.

THE DEFENDANTS

12 of the individuals were male and 1 was female

RACE

- African-American: 10
- White: 2
- Other: 1

AGE

- 18-30: 10
- 31-40: 2
- 41-50: 1

TECHNIQUES USED

- Taser: 11
- Takedown: 6
- Sidearm: 3
- Hand strike: 1
- K-9: 1
- O.C. Spray: 1

CRIMINAL CHARGES

Deputies filed 25 criminal charges in the 15 incidents.

- **4 charges of Resisting Arrest**
- **3 charges each of Unlawful Carry and Fleeing to Evade**
- **2 charges each of Public Disorderly Conduct and Assault and Battery 3rd Degree**
- **1 charge of each of the following:**
 - Kidnapping
 - Stolen Goods
 - Felony Warrants
 - Pointing and Presenting a Firearm
 - Open Container
 - Littering
 - Possession with Intent to Distribute Substance
 - Stolen Gun
 - False Information
 - Driving Under Suspension
 - Possession of Cocaine