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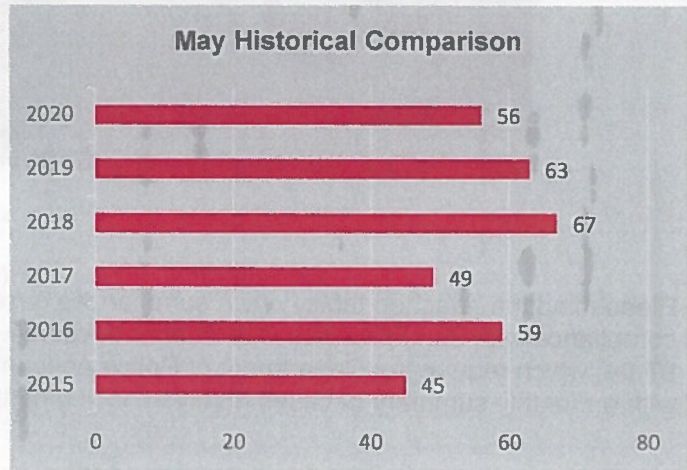
Re: San Francisco Department of Police Accountability May 2020 Monthly Statistical Report

Dear Acting President Damali Taylor and San Francisco Police Commissioners:

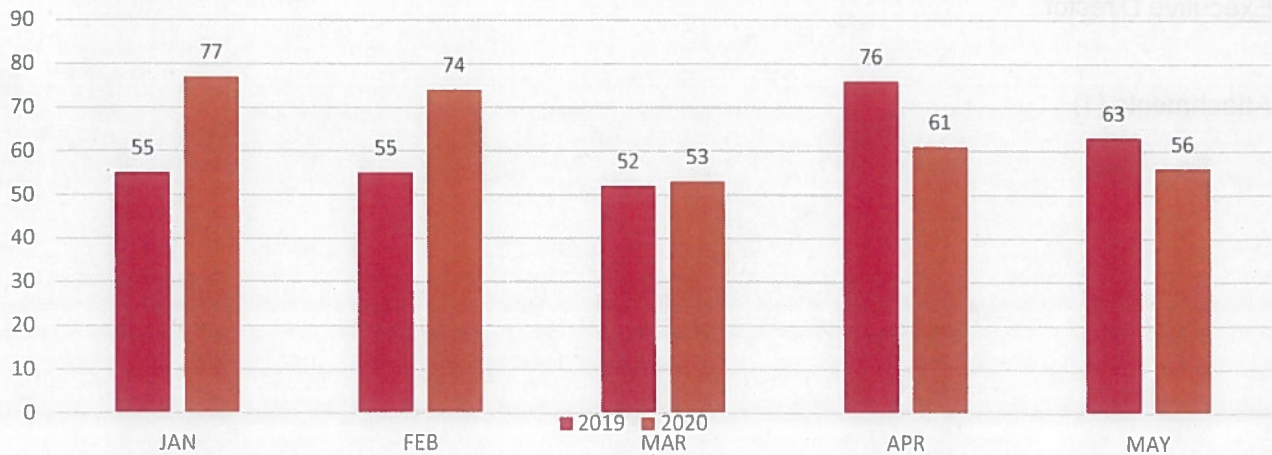
Summary of Complaints Received in May 2020

The Department of Police Accountability received **56** cases in **May 2020**, compared with **63** cases in the same period last year. The **May 2020** case total is **2%** lower than the five-year average and **11%** lower than the previous year.

From January through **May**, the DPA received a total of **321** new cases, compared with the **301** cases filed during the same period in 2019. The **May** year to date case total represents a **7%** increase in new complaints over last year.

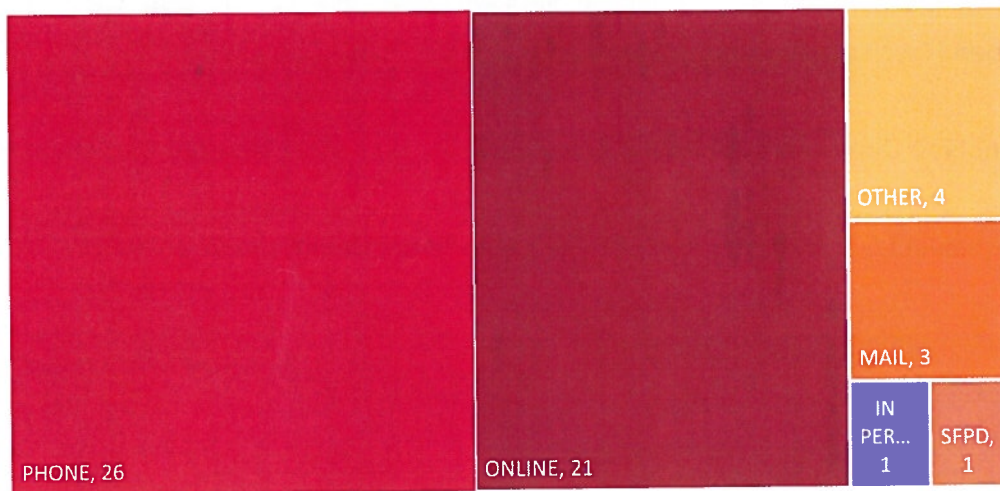


Year to Date Monthly Comparison of Cases Received



Most complaints were received over the phone, in person, and online.

Complaint Method



Please find the attached table, which summarizes cases received in May 2020. The table is prepared in compliance with San Francisco City Charter section 4.136 and Police Commission Resolution number 97-04, which require the Department of Police Accountability (DPA) to provide the Police Commission with a monthly summary of cases received, including the number and type of complaints filed.

Sincerely,

Paul Henderson
Executive Director

Attachments (1)

Summary of Cases Received

CASE	RECEIVED	SUMMARY
00044547-20	5/1/2020	Officers used excessive force against an older man.
00044555-20	5/2/2020	The complainant stated she encountered two officers wearing face masks she believed had been recommended against by the Chief of police. When she confronted the officers, one behaved inappropriately.
00044560-20	5/4/2020	The complainant, who was not wearing a mask, stated that as he walked to a shop by his house, an officer aggressively yelled at him with profanity, pulled out his firearm, and told him to return home to get a mask.
00044561-20	5/4/2020	The complainant stated that she went to a local business and tried to return some purchased items. The police officer took her property and informed her that they did not see her on camera with a bag when she entered the store.
00044563-20	5/4/2020	An officer went by the complainant's home twice and called his relative just to check on him without cause. The relative has now told the complainant that he has to move.
00044566-20	5/4/2020	The complainant stepped into the street to avoid a mugging when a police cruiser nearly struck the complainant when the police cruiser accelerated northbound on Leavenworth Street.
00044568-20	5/4/2020	The complainant stated that he called the non-emergency number and they refused to help him with a dog-related noise complaint.
00044557-20	5/5/2020	The complainant stated that plainclothes police officers detained a girl who was waiting for her school bus, causing her significant trauma. The complainant stated further that the officers were in plain clothes. The complainant said that the San Francisco Police Department should stop using undercover officers to arrest and detain suspects. The complainant stated further that the officers engaged in inappropriate behavior in describing their identification of the girl's mother in their documentation of the incident.
00044558-20	5/5/2020	The complainant stated that an officer wore a "Thin Blue Line" face mask in public, which he felt was inappropriate behavior, demonstrating either racial hostility or a complete lack of understanding of the impact of a racist symbol.
00044559-20	5/5/2020	The complainant said she went to the police station to ask for information, but the front counter officer was busy. She said while waiting in the lobby, she was assaulted and by another female, and the police just piled up at the window and did nothing to stop it and just watched like it was entertainment.
00044562-20	5/6/2020	The complainant stated that she went to a police station to make a report, and an officer was inappropriate in his behavior and comments.
00044564-20	5/6/2020	The complainant stated she had a complaint about an officer but failed to provide any details.
00044565-20	5/7/2020	The complainant stated that an officer followed him aggressively, causing him to speed. The complainant was then pulled over and cited by the named officer.
00044569-20	5/7/2020	The complainant stated that he called the police and told them that he witnessed a car break-in. The complainant said the officer who answered the call took no action but to tell him to call another number.
00044570-20	5/8/2020	The complainant raises matters outside of the Department of Police Accountability's jurisdiction.
00044571-20	5/9/2020	An officer mandated that the complainant stop contacting a former colleague.
00044572-20	5/9/2020	The officer failed to correctly deal with a noise complaint and cite the people responsible.
00044573-20	5/11/2020	The complainant stated he was in a verbal dispute with the store cashier, who ordered him to leave the store. The complainant stated an officer ordered him to leave the store and threw his backpack on the floor near the front entrance door. The complainant stated the officer pushed him on his chest area multiple times. The complainant said he bruised his right leg when the officer pushed him into the basket and cart areas by the front door to the store. The complainant further stated the officer discriminated him based on race.
00044574-20	5/11/2020	Officer caused damage to a residence during a search warrant.
00044575-20	5/11/2020	The complainant stated an officer pulled her hair, and another officer stepped on her ankle. Complainant also said the officers did not read her Miranda Rights and failed to tell her the reason for her arrest. Complainant further stated an officer balled up and threw paper at her face.
00044576-20	5/11/2020	The complainant stated an officer sexually and physically harassed him.
00044577-20	5/11/2020	Officers are busy policing the homeless encampment at City Hall and not patrolling and preventing vehicle crime.
00044578-20	5/12/2020	The complainant stated that the officer did not allow elderly and disabled persons to go into the store, but redirecting them to the back of the line very rudely and repeatedly emphasized his name and title.
00044580-20	5/12/2020	The complainant stated that she called the police regarding some fights happening in the alley near her residence. However, the police did not come and did not do anything about it.
00044581-20	5/13/2020	The complainant stated a homeless man was screaming and blocking the complainant's apartment entrance with a mattress. The complainant believes the homeless man is a police provocateur crisis actor, part of a Psy-Op against the complainant to suppress their civil rights.
00044582-20	5/13/2020	The officers failed to investigate or write an incident report when the complainant tried to report a stalking crime.
00044583-20	5/13/2020	The complainant said he was jogging when officers stopped him tased him without justification.
00044585-20	5/13/2020	An airport officer harassed and used excessive force against the complainant.
00044586-20	5/16/2020	The complainant stated that while they were driving on the street, they heard sirens. While trying to determine the location of the sirens, an unmarked SUV aggressively drove toward them at Rosa Parks Lane. They had to swerve and brake to avoid a collision.
00044587-20	5/18/2020	The complainant was involved in a hit and run vehicle collision. Officers responded to the scene of the hit and run, but failed to investigate or write an incident report. Later, when the complainant visited the district station to obtain information regarding the hit and run, the officer at the district station was dismissive and unhelpful.

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00044588-20	5/18/2020	The complainant stated that officers searched her residence, created a mess, and did not show her a search warrant. Additionally, the officers used a police dog during the search despite the complainant telling the handling officer that she is allergic to dogs.
00044589-20	5/18/2020	The complainant alleged the officers evicted him from his residence. The officers would not allow him to retrieve any property from the residence. Later, he spoke with a superior officer who acknowledged that he authorized the officers' actions.
00044591-20	5/18/2020	The complainant alleges South San Francisco police officers stopped him without cause and used unnecessary force against him and his wife. He did not see any San Francisco Police Department officers at the incident, however, numerous officers responded and the San Francisco Police Department may have been there.
00044592-20	5/18/2020	The complainant alleged she witnessed an attempted break-in. When San Francisco Police Department officers arrived at the scene, they refused to document the incident with a report.
00044593-20	5/20/2020	The complainant informed a district captain that officers violated policy during their contact with her.
00044594-20	5/21/2020	The complainant called the San Francisco Police Department to report an aggressive homeless person following him with a needle in hand. The complainant states he called several occasions but no officers attended and the call handlers were abrupt.
00044596-20	5/21/2020	The complainant stated that an officer failed to wear his mask correctly when working with the public and he behaved and reacted inappropriately after she brought it to his attention.
00044595-20	5/22/2020	The complainant stated she reported a noise complaint against her upstairs neighbor and the officers did not take her seriously, believe her, take a report and actively discouraged her from filing a report. The officers also did not advise her not to file a restraining order.
00044597-20	5/26/2020	The complainant stated she witnessed two officers use unnecessary force on an individual. She also stated the officers behaved inappropriately and made inappropriate comments.
00044598-20	5/26/2020	The complainant stated the police unlawfully arrested and used unnecessary force on her elderly mother.
00044601-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated that police officers attempted to put him on a mental health hold unlawfully.
00044602-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated the police unlawfully removed a person from his residence.
00044603-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated he called 311 repeatedly regarding an encampment in front of his employer's business. The complainant said the encampment blocks the sidewalk for pedestrians, wheelchair access and the elderly. The complainant stated whenever the police respond, the encampment disperses and then later on returns and continues to block the entire sidewalk area.
00044604-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated the police failed to respond and investigate his report of a home invasion robbery.
00044608-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated the police illegally detained, searched, and handcuffed a person. In addition, he stated the police failed to issue a certificate of release and behaved inappropriately.
00044610-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated she was doing donuts in front of a friend's parked RV when officers chased her. The complainant stated she initially evaded the police and was subsequently arrested and booked at County Jail. The complainant said a female officer placed tight handcuffs on her wrists and she sustained scrapes and cuts. The complainant stated after she was released, she noticed that she was missing two rings and possibly other personal property.
00044611-20	5/27/2020	The complainant requested information regarding San Francisco Police Departments Body Worn Camera policy.
00044615-20	5/27/2020	The complainant stated her neighbor is a San Francisco Police Department officer who made comments about another neighbor that violated HIPPA laws. Complainant also noted the officer made a racial comment about a neighbor they mutually know.
00044612-20	5/28/2020	The complainant stated that she was pulled over by an officer who spoke, acted improperly, and prolonged the stop unnecessarily.
00044613-20	5/28/2020	Officers have been conspiring with her ex to discredit her.
00044614-20	5/28/2020	An officer was rude to the complainant during a traffic stop and shoved her up against a car.
00044618-20	5/28/2020	The complainant stated that officers have been trying to kill him and his family.
00044617-20	5/28/2020	The complainant stated that she was attempting to make a delivery on the street with limited access. An officer parked in a way that blocked her passage and then behaved rudely when she spoke with him.
00044618-20	5/28/2020	The complainant stated an officer improperly issued him a ticket. He called the officer several times, but the officer has not returned his calls.
00044620-20	5/28/2020	The complainant stated that he reported a burglary, but by the time the police arrived some of his items had been returned. However, he was still missing items and the police failed to take further action.
00044621-20	5/30/2020	Police Chief William Scott ordered an administrative investigation regarding a video posted on social media showing an officer putting her knee on the neck of an arrested person. Chief Scott also asked Department of Police Accountability to investigate the incident.

Total New Cases: 56