

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

<b>QUESTION:</b>	<b>Lord Bradley</b>																										
<p>To ask His Majesty's Government how many prisoners in England and Wales have been subject to (1) the drawing, and (2) the drawing and deployment, of PAVA spray since 1 April 2019 by (a) age, (b) ethnicity, (c) religion and (d) disability.</p>																											
<b>HL10655</b>																											
<b>ANSWER:</b>	<b>Lord Bellamy KC (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State)</b>																										
<p>We ensure all our prison officers are trained in how to use PAVA professionally, safely and lawfully and that it is only used when necessary and proportionate.</p> <p>The data provided for this response is collected as internal management information and reflects the data held at the date of extraction. It is not quality assured in the same way as data prepared for publication and is subject to change.</p> <p>We are unable to provide data regarding age or disability. Disability data has not been captured historically and therefore there is a lack of integrity of the data. Age would require significant data extraction, which exceeds the disproportionate costs amount.</p> <p>(Data as of 30/09/2023)</p> <p>Ethnicity:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><b>Ethnicity</b></th> <th><b>Drawn and Deployed</b></th> <th><b>Drawn only</b></th> <th><b>Individuals Impacted</b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Asian/Asian British</b></td> <td>95</td> <td>24</td> <td>119</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Black/Black British</b></td> <td>497</td> <td>152</td> <td>649</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Mixed</b></td> <td>146</td> <td>53</td> <td>199</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Other ethnic group</b></td> <td>28</td> <td>17</td> <td>45</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>White</b></td> <td>447</td> <td>232</td> <td>679</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Drawn and Deployed</b>	<b>Drawn only</b>	<b>Individuals Impacted</b>	<b>Asian/Asian British</b>	95	24	119	<b>Black/Black British</b>	497	152	649	<b>Mixed</b>	146	53	199	<b>Other ethnic group</b>	28	17	45	<b>White</b>	447	232	679
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Drawn and Deployed</b>	<b>Drawn only</b>	<b>Individuals Impacted</b>																								
<b>Asian/Asian British</b>	95	24	119																								
<b>Black/Black British</b>	497	152	649																								
<b>Mixed</b>	146	53	199																								
<b>Other ethnic group</b>	28	17	45																								
<b>White</b>	447	232	679																								

*Christopher Bellamy*