

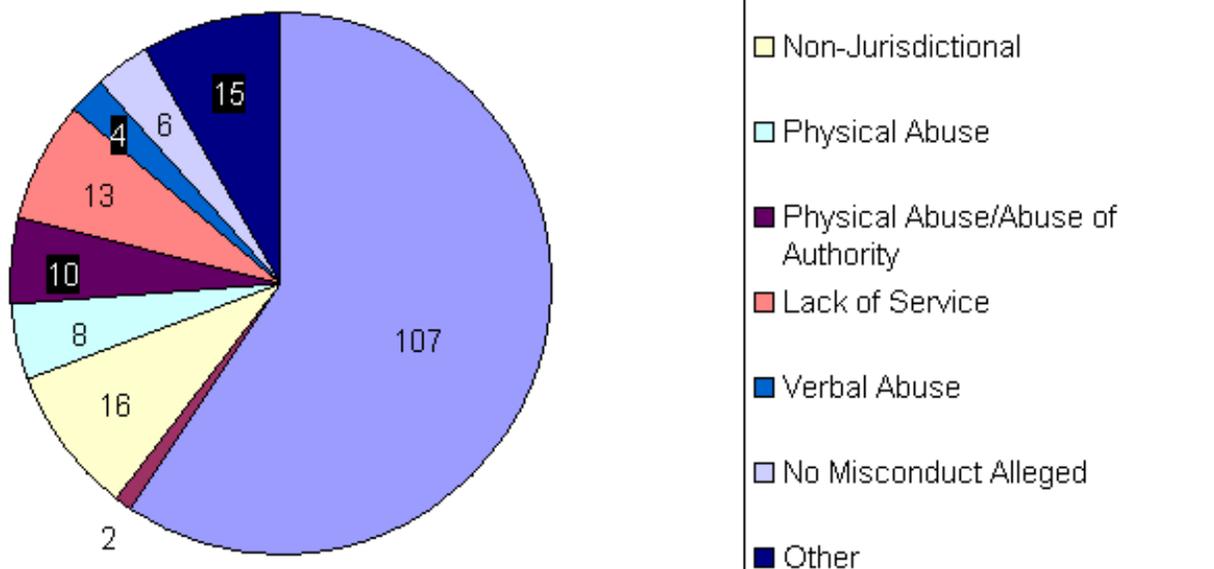
## FY2003: Executive Summary

The Commission received 180 complaints during fiscal year 2003 (FY03). This represents a 9% increase in the number of complaints filed as compared with the 165 complaints filed during the previous fiscal year. Of the complaints filed, the Commission accepted 85 for investigation. At the close of the fiscal year, there were 145 pending complaint investigations, and 15 audited cases.

<u>Month</u>	<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>	<u>FY98</u>	<u>FY99</u>	<u>FY00</u>	<u>FY01</u>	<u>FY02</u>	<u>FY03</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
July	8	13	11	8	7	21	18	19	22	<b>127</b>
August	9	24	15	11	13	11	24	11	16	<b>134</b>
September	15	9	8	9	9	13	16	15	17	<b>111</b>
October	8	17	6	10	13	14	17	12	16	<b>113</b>
November	12	13	10	4	9	11	6	19	16	<b>100</b>
December	8	7	3	7	19	13	10	10	8	<b>85</b>
January	16	8	3	5	16	14	25	12	12	<b>111</b>
February	11	6	6	11	11	11	17	19	12	<b>104</b>
March	10	6	7	12	20	17	13	8	16	<b>109</b>
April	7	10	5	13	9	11	12	13	15	<b>95</b>
May	12	4	7	9	8	11	18	15	14	<b>98</b>
June	15	4	13	8	13	25	8	12	16	<b>114</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>1301</b>

During FY2003, the Commission initiated and/or completed 6 panel hearings on the allegations of complainants, and issued five opinions on civilian complaints investigated and completed after a hearing containing findings of fact and recommendations. Commission members and staff participated in numerous events and forums throughout the year, including Safe Streets events, meetings with neighborhood groups and schools.

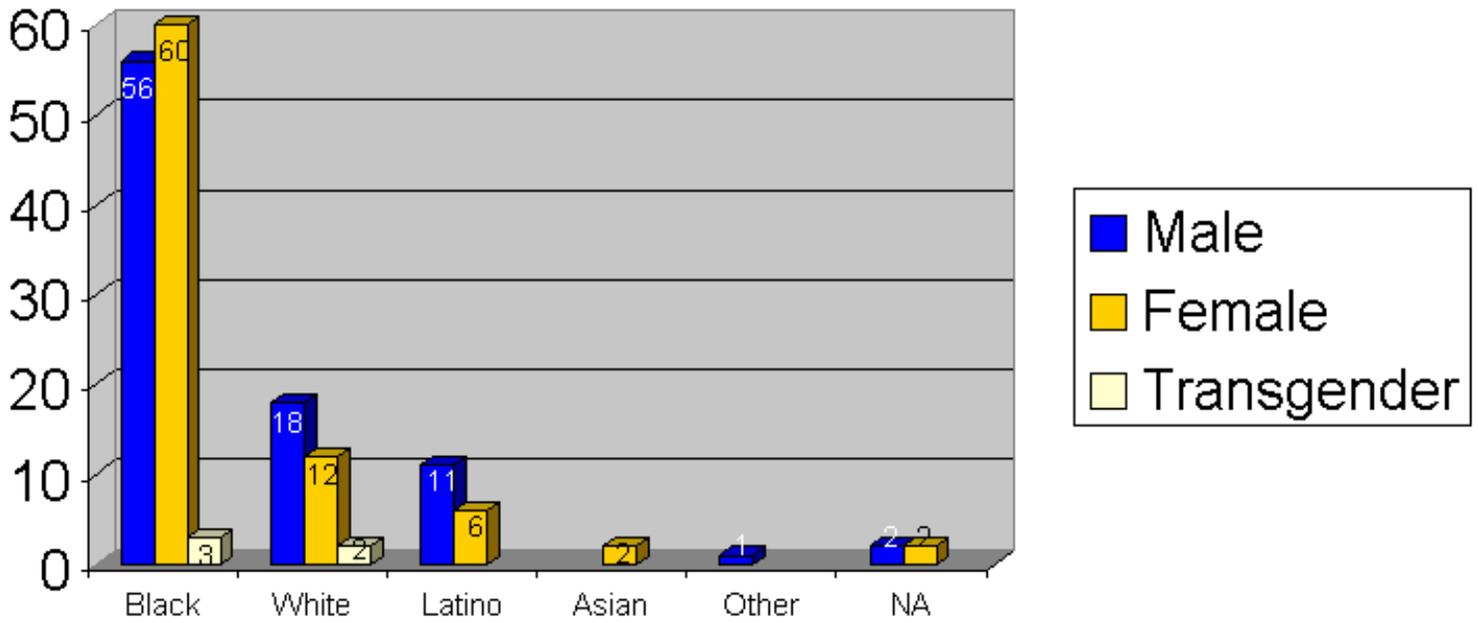
## FY2003 Nature of Complaint



**Abuse of Authority** (i.e., complaints in which the allegation is that a police officer(s) by his/her act or omission exceeded his/her authority as granted under law or regulation) continued to be the most prevalent type of complaint during Fiscal Year 2003. Abuse of Authority Complaints include, but are not limited to improper seizure of property, unlawful detentions or confinements (arrests), and discriminatory or selective law enforcement, including racial profiling.

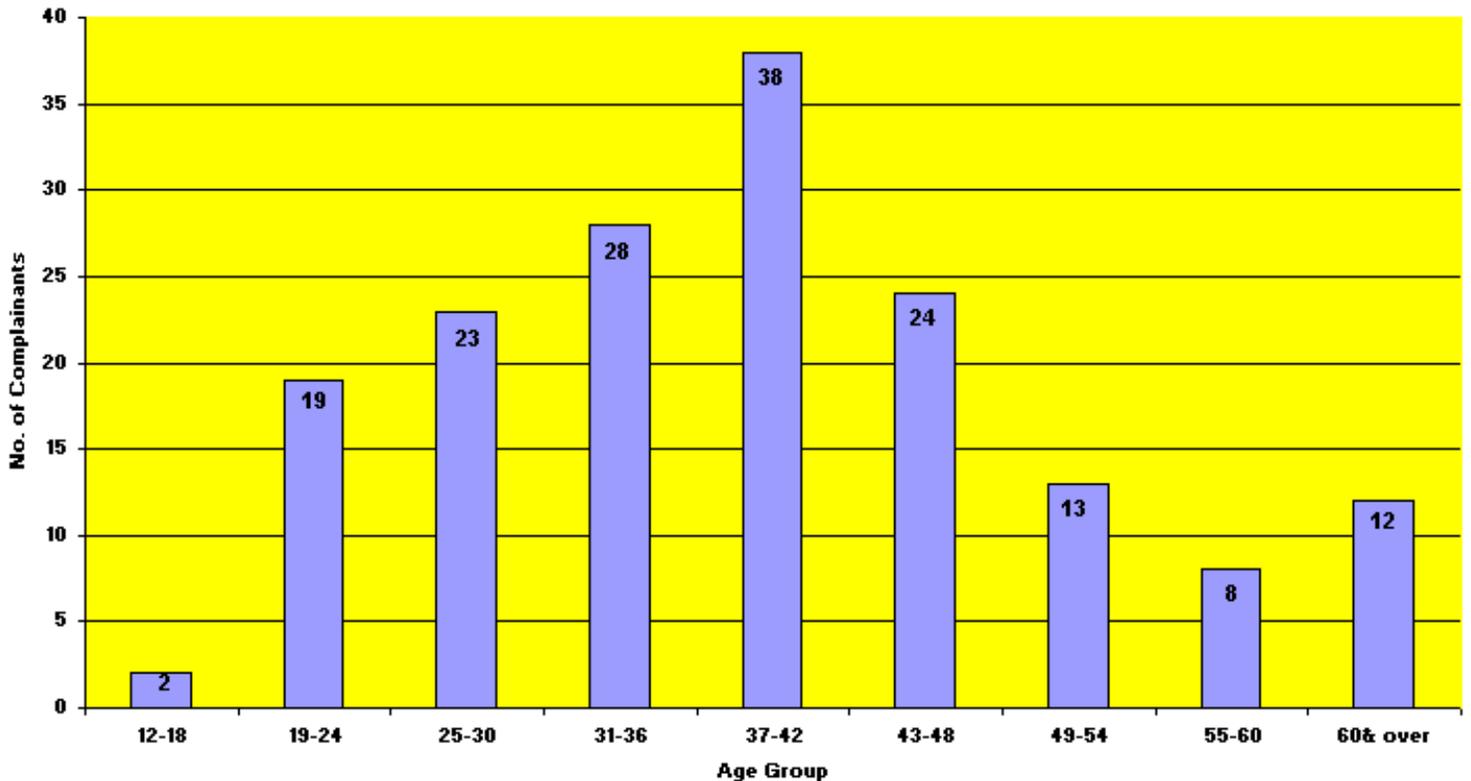
**Physical Abuse** complaints, which are complaints with a primary allegation of unreasonable force, continued to decline significantly in FY2003. Eighteen complaints alleging physical abuse were filed with the Commission in FY2003, one less than in FY2002.

## FY2003 Complaints by Race/Sex



**Race and Sex:** As in previous years, African-American (both male and female) filed more than half of all complaints with the Commission.

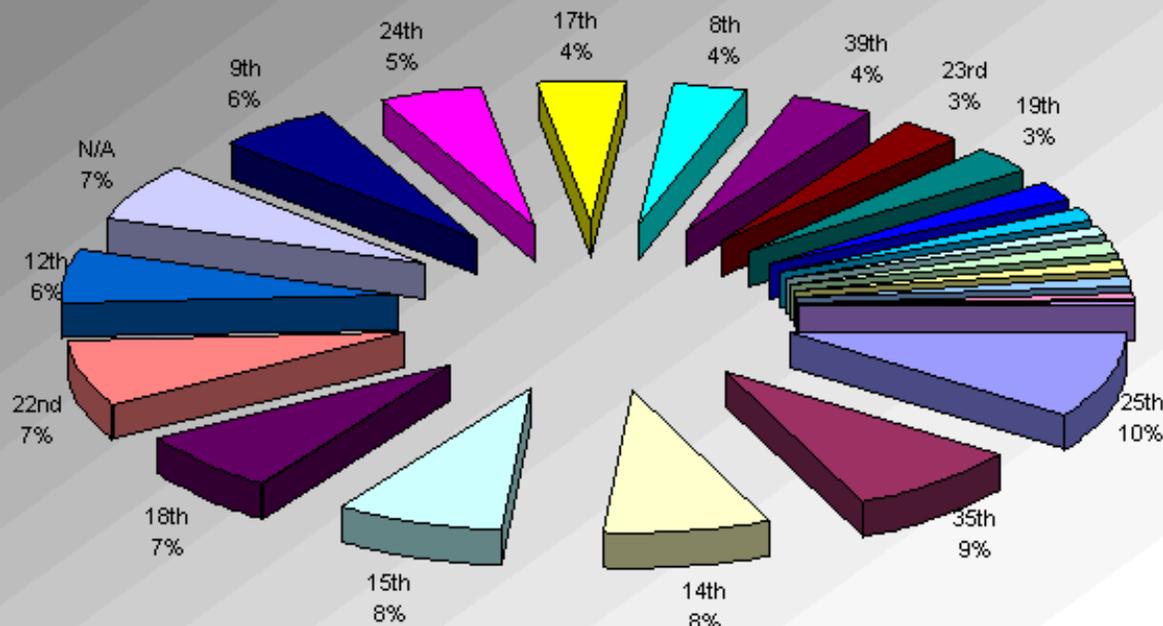
## FY2003 Complainants by Age Group



**AGE** The age of complainants during the fiscal year ranged from 16 to 79. There was one complainant under 18, and 12 over 60. The median age of complainants was 32.

### FY2003 Commission Complaints by Police District

- 25th
- 35th
- 14th
- 15th
- 18th
- 22nd
- 12th
- N/A
- 9th
- 24th
- 17th
- 8th
- 39th
- 23rd
- 19th
- 2nd
- 9th&17th
- 3rd
- 5th
- 4th
- 7th
- CJC
- Abington



**Complaints by Police District** - Six police districts (25th; 35th; 14th; 15th; 18th & 22nd) accounted for 59% of all complaints filed with the Commission in FY2003.