

May 30 - June 1 Riots & Unrest

On May 30, what started as a peaceful protest deteriorated into a night of violence, property damage, and looting. Similar behavior occurred the following two nights. The scope of the unrest was unprecedented and something not seen in Madison since the Vietnam War protests/riots. Law enforcement agencies from across the State along with National Guard personnel were required to assist MPD's response. Over the course of these three nights (May 30, May 31, and June 1) more than 180 businesses in Madison were looted. Multiple fires were set; several MPD squads were damaged or destroyed; and the MPD rescue vehicle was struck by a bullet. Rocks, bottles, chairs, and other projectiles were thrown at officers; nineteen officers sustained injuries. Officers utilized chemical agents and other tools/techniques to address ongoing looting and violence:

Force (May 30 – June 1)	Total
Decentralization/Takedown	7
Active Counter Measures	1
Taser Deployment	0
Hobble Restraints	0
OC (i.e. Pepper) Spray Deployment	96
Baton (push/shove)	56
K9 Bite	0
Firearm Discharged Toward Suspect	0
Impact Munition	20
Specialty	135
Total	315