

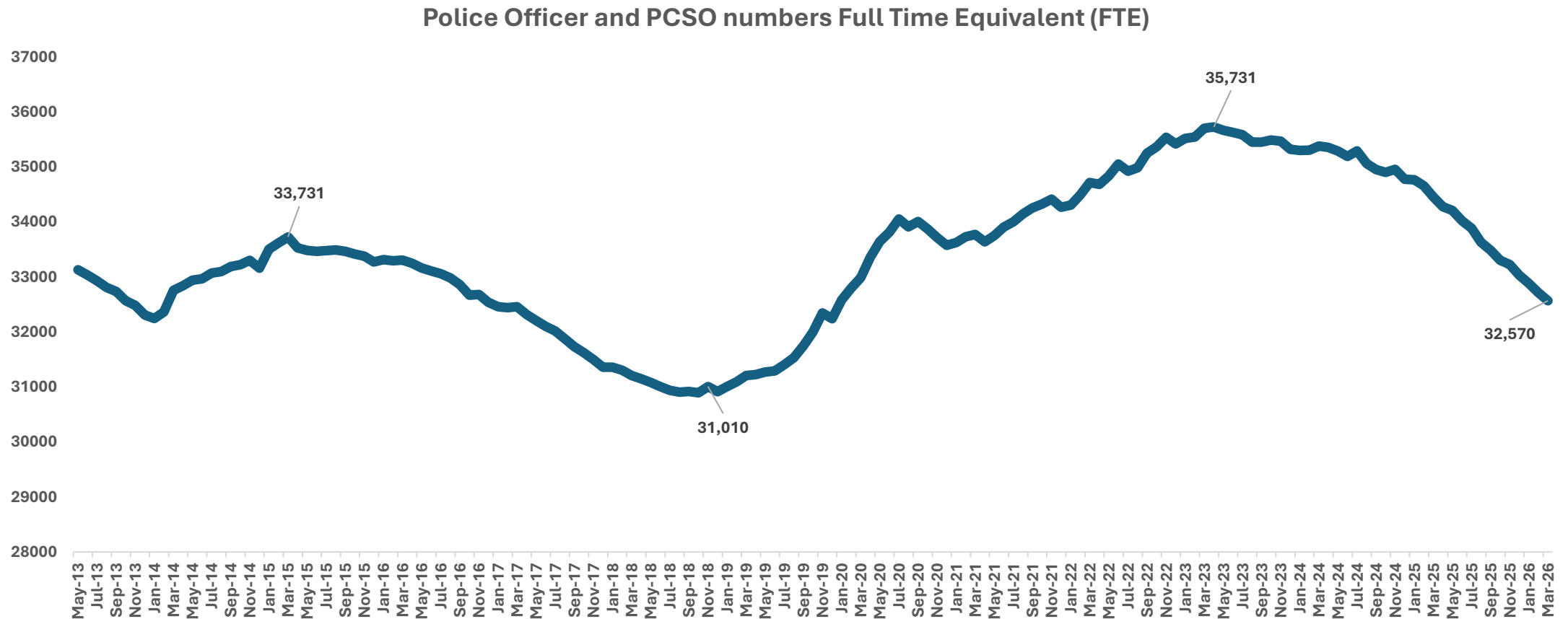
Metropolitan Police Service Funding and Officer Numbers:
Data visualisations on key trends

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Combined MPS Police Officer and PCSO numbers, May 2013 to March 2026

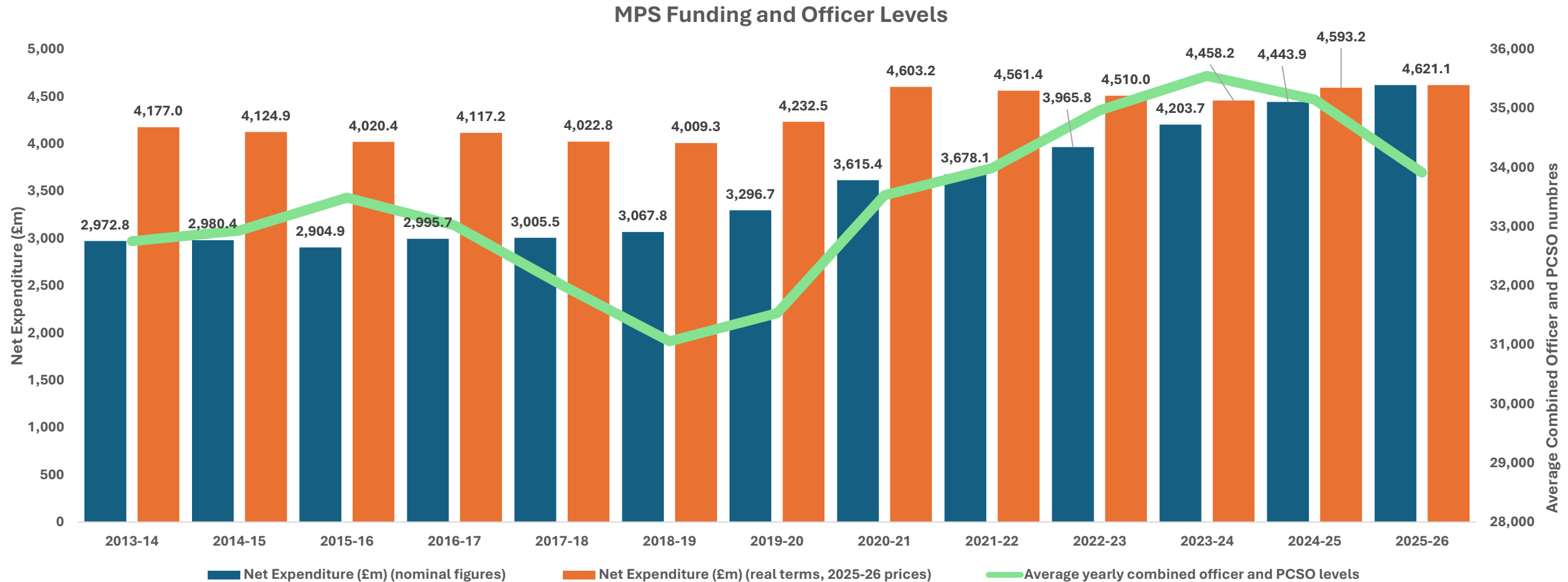
The chart below shows combined officer and Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) numbers reaching a high of 35,731 in April 2023 before falling to 32,570 by March 2026.



Source: Greater London Authority, [Police Force Strength | London Datastore](#), accessed May 2026

MPS net expenditure and combined officer and PCSO numbers, 2013-14 to 2025-26

The chart plots MPS net expenditure in both nominal and real terms against combined officer and PCSO numbers from 2013-14 to 2025-26.

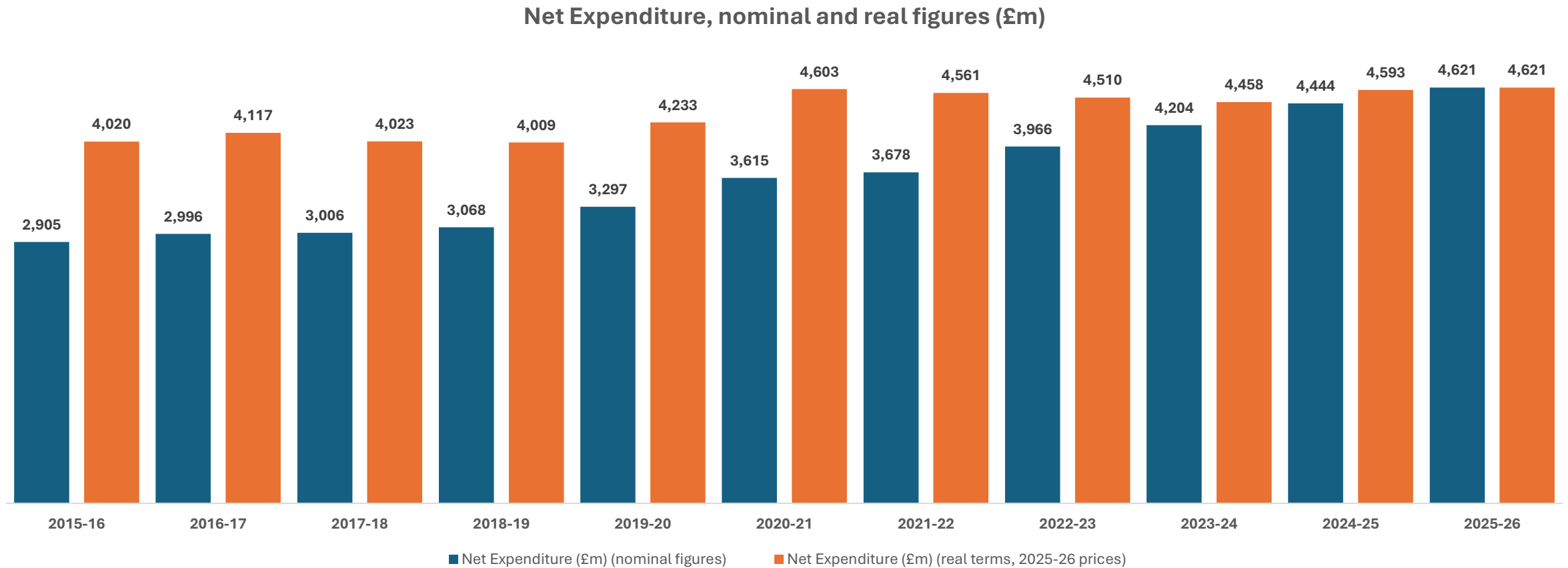


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MPS net expenditure (nominal and real figures), 2015-16 to 2025-26

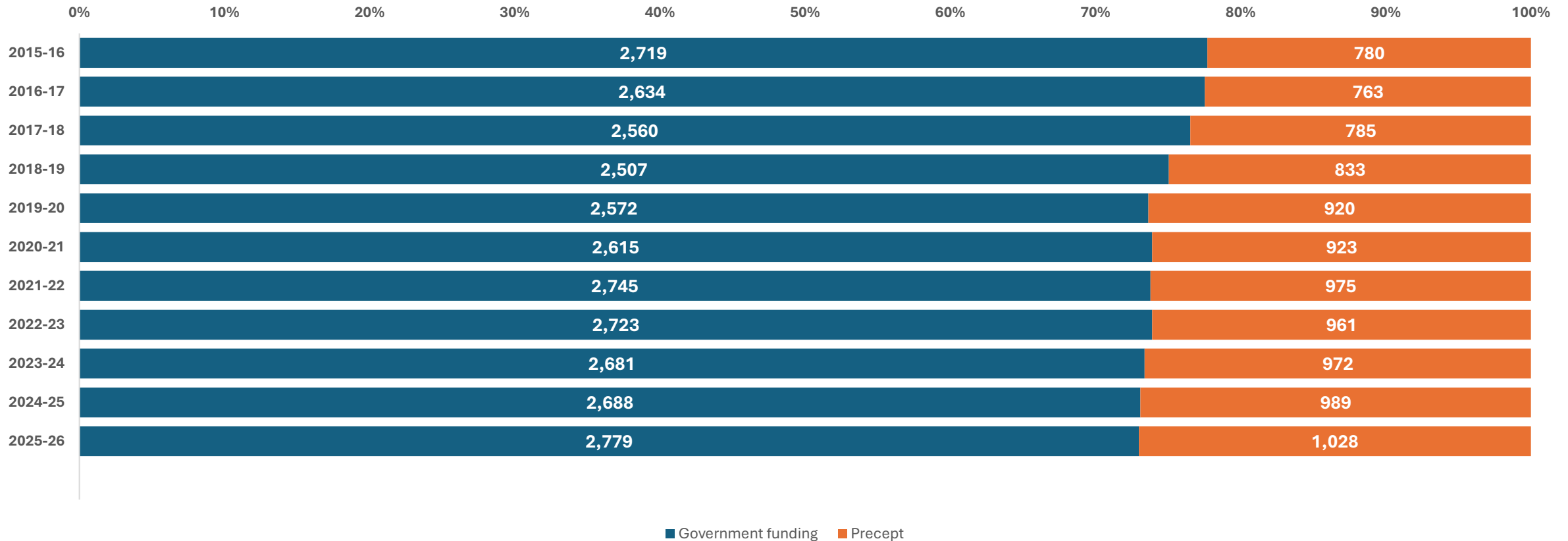
The chart below shows MPS net expenditure from 2015-16 to 2025-26 in both nominal terms and real terms (2025-26 prices).



Government and precept funding for the MPS, 2015–16 to 2025–26

The chart below shows the proportion and value of total MPS funding provided by central government and the GLA precept in real terms from 2015-16 to 2025-26

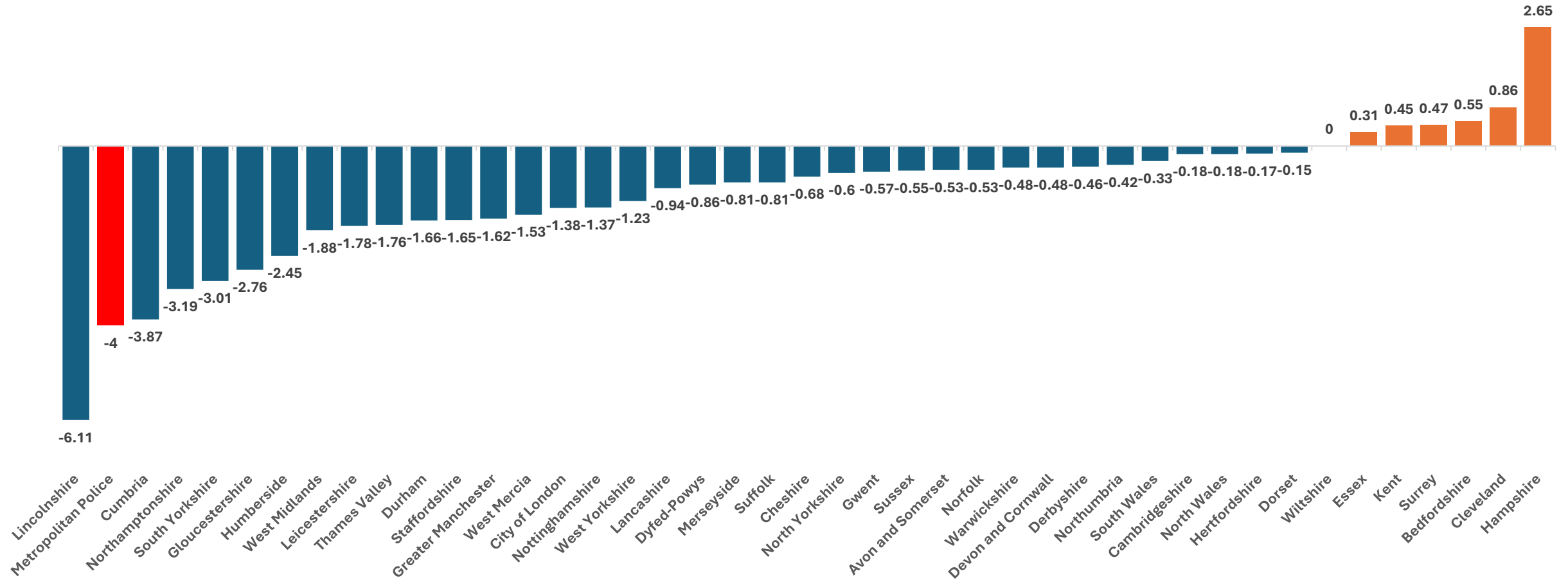
Proportion of MPS funding from Precept and Government 2015-2026 (real terms, £ million)



Use of reserves by police forces in England and Wales, 2024-25

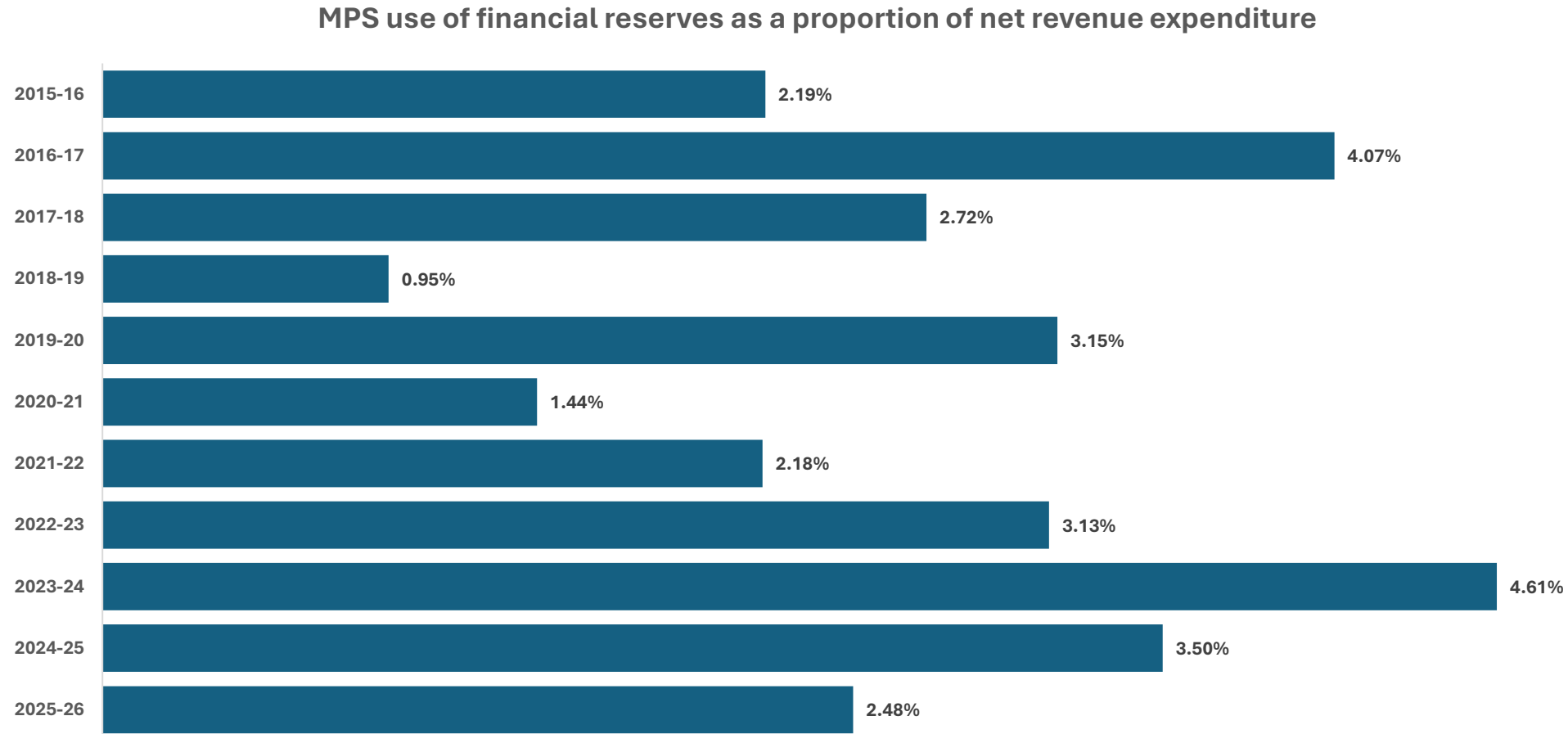
The chart below shows the percentage of net revenue expenditure added to or withdrawn from reserves by each police force in England and Wales in 2024-25. Forces above zero added to their reserves; those below zero drew on them.

Percentage of net revenue expenditure added to or taken from reserves, 2024-25



MPS use of reserves as a proportion of net revenue expenditure, 2015-16 to 2025-26

The chart below shows the proportion of Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) net revenue expenditure drawn from financial reserves in each year from 2015-16 to 2025-26.



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