

Criticism mounting of May's police cuts

In the wake of renewed terror attacks on UK soil, the main opposition Labour Party – to the incumbent Conservatives – claims Prime Minister **Theresa May** cut armed police numbers when she was Home Secretary

Labour

"We have 20,000 fewer police officers than in 2010, and more than 1,000 fewer armed officers."

Labour press release, June 5, 2017



Conservatives

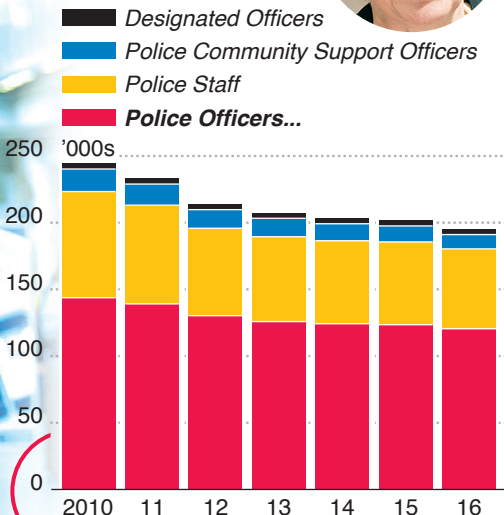
Prime Minister
Theresa May –
Home Secretary,
2010-2016



POLICE FORCE NUMBERS (England and Wales)



*Armed British police
have seen their numbers
slashed in recent years*



... of which authorised firearms officers

