

## **Criminal Justice Statistical Report**

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## Environmental Conservation Law Offenses: Hazardous Waste and Waste Disposal 2016 Annual Report

Executive Law §837 and §837-a requires the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to report on the number of persons charged with offenses violating Articles 27, 37 and 40, and Titles 27 and 37 of Article 71 of the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) regarding hazardous waste and waste disposal. These laws concern the collection, treatment and disposal of refuse or other solid waste and the regulation of substances characterized as hazardous or acutely hazardous to the public health, safety or to the environment.

Table 1 provides information about the numbers of persons arrested for ECL offenses from 2012 to 2016. The arrest counts are derived from information about fingerprintable adult arrests transmitted by law enforcement agencies to the DCJS Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system and are based on the most serious charge in the arrest event. Because CCH is a fingerprint-based database, prosecutions of corporations or other entities are not identified.

Table 1
Arrests for ECL Hazardous Waste and Waste Disposal
Offenses 2012 to 2016

|                | 2012   |      | 2013   |      | 2014   |      | 2015   |      | 2016   |      | Total  |      |
|----------------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|
|                | Felony | Misd |
| NEW YORK STATE | 0      | 0    | 1      | 0    | 3      | 5    | 2      | 1    | 4      | 13   | 10     | 19   |
| NEW YORK CITY  | 0      | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0      | 0    | 0      | 0    |
| REST OF STATE  | 0      | 0    | 1      | 0    | 3      | 5    | 2      | 1    | 4      | 13   | 10     | 19   |

Source: DCJS, Computerized Criminal History system (03/17/2017).

Tables 2 through 4 provide information about the dispositions of arrests for these offenses. Statewide and regional summaries are displayed according to the year in which the final disposition occurred, regardless of when the arrest actually occurred. For example, a 2012 arrest which resulted in a conviction in 2013 is displayed in the 2013 column.

TABIE 2

NEW YORK STATE

Disposition of ECL Arrests for Hazardous Waste and Waste Disposal Offenses
2012 to 2016

|        |                         | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | TOTAL |
|--------|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Felony | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 3    | 6     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 1    | 4     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Fine                    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0    | 3     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2     |
| Misd   | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 2    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 4     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Fine                    |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |

Source: Computerized Criminal History system (03/17/2017).

Includes convictions for felonies, misdemeanors and non-criminal offenses such as violations and infractions

Regional designation based on location of the disposition court.

TABLE 3
NEW YORK CITY
Dispositions of ECL Arrests for Hazardous Waste and Waste Disposal Offenses
2012 to 2016

|        |                         | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | TOTAL |
|--------|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Felony | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Fine                    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
| Misd   | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Fine                    |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |

Source: Computerized Criminal History system (03/17/2017).

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Regional designation based on location of the disposition court.

TABLE 4
REST OF STATE
Disposition of ECL Arrests for Hazardous Waste and Waste Disposal Offenses
2012 to 2016

|        |                         | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | TOTAL |
|--------|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Felony | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 3    | 6     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 1    | 4     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2    | 5     |
|        | Fine                    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0    | 3     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 2     |
| Misd   | TOTAL DISPOSITIONS      | 2    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 4     |
|        | Convicted-Sentenced     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Covered by Another Case | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Dismissed-ACD           | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1     |
|        | Dismissed-Other         | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Misdemeanors            | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Non-Criminal Offenses   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | TOTAL SENTENCES         | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |
|        | Fine                    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |
|        | Cond Discharge          | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1    | 2     |

Source: Computerized Criminal History system (03/17/2017).

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Regional designation based on location of the disposition court.