Adult Arrest Data Source Notes

The attached arrest data is derived from the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system. CCH contains adult arrests for offenses where fingerprints are required to be taken (Criminal Procedure Law 160.10). For calendar years up to and including 2016, state law defined an adult as anyone age 16 or older. State law also permits 13 to 15 year olds to be treated as adults if they are accused of certain serious crimes. These Juvenile Offender (JO) arrests are also included here.

Demographic characteristics including sex, race/ethnicity and age are recorded by police at the time of arrest as part of the fingerprint transaction. For race/ethnicity, five categories are displayed: White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, and Other. All arrestees of Hispanic ethnicity, regardless of race, are included in the Hispanic category. The White, Black, Asian, and Other categories include only persons of non-Hispanic origin. Arrests by age categories are based on the arrested individual's age at the time the crime was committed.

Arrests are displayed by the county/region where the arrest took place. If a police agency arrests an individual outside of the county where the agency is located, that arrest is included in the statistics for the county where the arrest occurred.

Arrest charges are categorized by the most serious charge reported at the time of arrest. For example, if an individual was charged with a felony and a misdemeanor in connection with the same crime, that arrest is counted once and categorized as a felony. Arrests in these tables are shown using the following categories:

- Felony: Offenses for which a sentence of imprisonment of more than one year may be imposed (NYS Penal Law Article 10.05).
- **Misdemeanor**: Offenses, other than traffic infractions, for which a sentence of imprisonment of more than 15 days but no more than one year can be imposed (NYS Penal Law Article 10.04).
- Drug: All offenses listed under Penal Law Articles 220 (controlled substances) and 221 (marijuana).
- Violent Felony: All offenses listed under Penal Law Article 70.02 and the Class A felonies of murder, arson, kidnapping and predatory sexual assault.
- Driving While Intoxicated (DWI): All offenses listed under Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 1192.
- **Property**: All misdemeanor offenses listed under Penal Law Articles 140, 145, 150, 155, and 165.
- Other: Any offense not specified above.

Erie County Adult Arrests by Sex: 2016

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported	
Total Arrests	22,604	16,385	6,217	2	
Felony Total	6,851	5,405	1,445	1	
Drug	1,016	854	162	0	
Violent	2,055	1,691	363	1	
DWI	309	233	76	0	
Other	3,471	2,627	844	0	
Misdemeanor Total	15,753	10,980	4,772	1	
Drug	3,169	2,317	852	0	
DWI	1,965	1,380	585	0	
Property	5,293	3,295	1,997	1	
Other	5,326	3,988	1,338	0	

Erie County Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2016

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other- Unknown
Total Arrests	22,604	11,412	8,753	1,845	187	407
Felony Total	6,851	2,737	3,353	602	47	112
Drug	1,016	343	513	130	12	18
Violent	2,055	598	1,240	184	10	23
DWI	309	227	51	15	4	12
Other	3,471	1,569	1,549	273	21	59
Misdemeanor Total	15,753	8,675	5,400	1,243	140	295
Drug	3,169	2,047	818	246	24	34
DWI	1,965	1,547	266	76	26	50
Property	5,293	2,614	2,102	446	40	91
Other	5,326	2,467	2,214	475	50	120

Erie County Adult Arrests by Age at Crime: 2016

	Total Arrests	13-15 JO only	16-17*	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55+
Total Arrests	22,604	25	1,263	2,432	3,718	4,267	3,174	2,299	1,532	1,425	1,182	1,287
Felony Total	6,851	25	381	760	1,178	1,326	939	755	464	391	313	319
Drug	1,016	0	15	76	208	220	177	120	74	55	34	37
Violent	2,055	25	181	328	360	359	255	203	95	98	83	68
DWI	309	0	0	6	24	55	63	47	26	30	28	30
Other	3,471	0	185	350	586	692	444	385	269	208	168	184
Misdemeanor Total	15,753	0	882	1,672	2,540	2,941	2,235	1,544	1,068	1,034	869	968
Drug	3,169	0	57	318	603	712	530	323	184	188	143	111
DWI	1,965	0	7	108	324	374	277	185	154	164	158	214
Property	5,293	0	535	712	766	873	652	471	317	328	305	334
Other	5,326	0	283	534	847	982	776	565	413	354	263	309

Source: DCJS, Computerized Criminal History system (as of 04/20/2018).