

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.

New York State Adult Arrests by Sex: 2016

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported
Total Arrests	479,547	373,291	106,087	169
Felony Total	150,610	123,118	27,442	50
Drug	25,510	21,619	3,881	10
Violent	40,384	32,974	7,399	11
DWI	5,603	4,423	1,176	4
Other	79,113	64,102	14,986	25
Misdemeanor Total	328,937	250,173	78,645	119
Drug	65,595	53,725	11,860	10
DWI	33,992	25,823	8,152	17
Property	114,387	82,665	31,670	52
Other	114,963	87,960	26,963	40

New York State Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2016

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other-Unknown
Total Arrests	479,547	153,148	185,271	118,081	15,519	7,528
Felony Total	150,610	39,582	66,799	36,802	5,276	2,151
Drug	25,510	6,235	10,723	7,739	488	325
Violent	40,384	7,588	20,412	10,604	1,280	500
DWI	5,603	3,367	937	1,046	120	133
Other	79,113	22,392	34,727	17,413	3,388	1,193
Misdemeanor Total	328,937	113,566	118,472	81,279	10,243	5,377
Drug	65,595	22,758	23,012	17,241	1,621	963
DWI	33,992	20,701	4,930	6,786	818	757
Property	114,387	35,712	46,116	27,612	3,351	1,596
Other	114,963	34,395	44,414	29,640	4,453	2,061

New York State 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	479,547	440	24,614	52,288	76,842	86,657	64,819	48,815	33,756	32,527	28,668	30,121
Felony Total	150,610	440	7,342	15,320	23,835	27,850	21,387	16,084	11,046	10,149	8,748	8,409
Drug	25,510	0	414	1,818	3,768	4,749	3,902	2,994	2,092	2,013	1,895	1,865
Violent	40,384	440	3,423	5,464	6,906	7,186	5,120	3,790	2,389	2,197	1,686	1,783
DWI	5,603	0	3	58	351	1,072	1,098	913	606	495	486	521
Other	79,113	0	3,502	7,980	12,810	14,843	11,267	8,387	5,959	5,444	4,681	4,240
Misdemeanor Total	328,937	0	17,272	36,968	53,007	58,807	43,432	32,731	22,710	22,378	19,920	21,712
Drug	65,595	0	2,531	8,606	12,356	12,850	8,304	5,852	3,777	3,997	3,698	3,624
DWI	33,992	0	127	1,709	5,570	6,617	4,869	3,645	2,833	2,709	2,426	3,487
Property	114,387	0	8,906	15,373	17,438	18,118	13,650	10,644	7,361	7,953	7,371	7,573
Other	114,963	0	5,708	11,280	17,643	21,222	16,609	12,590	8,739	7,719	6,425	7,028

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