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). Up until October 1, 2018, state law defined an adult as anyone age 16 or older. Arrests for misdemeanors committed by 16 year olds between October 1 and December 31, 2018 are not included as these arrests are no longer fingerprinted due to Raise the Age legislation. 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.

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Sex: 2018

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported
Total Arrests	1,382	981	399	2
Felony Total	365	298	67	0
Drug	83	70	13	0
Violent	60	49	11	0
DWI	37	31	6	0
Other	185	148	37	0
Misdemeanor Total	1,017	683	332	2
Drug	288	187	101	0
DWI	201	135	66	0
Property	236	134	101	1
Other	292	227	64	1

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2018

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other- Unknown
Total Arrests	1,382	1,001	264	84	10	23
Felony Total	365	221	107	25	6	6
Drug	83	38	35	5	4	1
Violent	60	29	22	8	0	1
DWI	37	32	2	3	0	0
Other	185	122	48	9	2	4
Misdemeanor Total	1,017	780	157	59	4	17
Drug	288	215	46	21	2	4
DWI	201	171	17	9	1	3
Property	236	181	37	15	0	3
Other	292	213	57	14	1	7

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Age at Crime: 2018

	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	1,382	0	56	107	215	247	200	172	93	101	84	107
Felony Total	365	0	24	25	62	56	54	43	32	26	18	25
Drug	83	0	0	4	17	17	15	11	12	2	1	4
Violent	60	0	11	8	11	9	3	4	6	3	4	1
DWI	37	0	1	1	3	4	7	7	1	8	3	2
Other	185	0	12	12	31	26	29	21	13	13	10	18
Misdemeanor Total	1,017	0	32	82	153	191	146	129	61	75	66	82
Drug	288	0	0	21	60	74	38	36	19	19	13	8
DWI	201	0	5	7	24	37	28	23	9	14	18	36
Property	236	0	20	20	30	34	33	27	13	24	17	18
Other	292	0	7	34	39	46	47	43	20	18	18	20

Source: DCJS, Computerized Criminal History system (as of 07/23/2019).

^{*} Does not include arrests for misdemeanors committed by 16 year olds between October 1 and December 31, 2018. These arrests are no longer fingerprinted due to Raise the Age legislation.