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.

New York State Adult Arrests by Sex: 2018

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported
Total Arrests	409,416	313,870	95,388	158
Felony Total	138,216	112,561	25,617	38
Drug	22,306	18,777	3,528	1
Violent	37,273	30,270	6,998	5
DWI	5,280	4,064	1,213	3
Other	73,357	59,450	13,878	29
Misdemeanor Total	271,200	201,309	69,771	120
Drug	53,591	42,729	10,841	21
DWI	30,509	22,685	7,815	9
Property	82,761	56,610	26,107	44
Other	104,339	79,285	25,008	46

New York State Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2018

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other-Unknown
Total Arrests	409,416	136,081	157,052	96,854	13,122	6,307
Felony Total	138,216	36,837	61,848	33,001	4,678	1,852
Drug	22,306	5,848	9,632	5,956	610	260
Violent	37,273	6,707	18,987	9,879	1,261	439
DWI	5,280	3,179	955	921	91	134
Other	73,357	21,103	32,274	16,245	2,716	1,019
Misdemeanor Total	271,200	99,244	95,204	63,853	8,444	4,455
Drug	53,591	20,990	18,070	12,609	1,069	853
DWI	30,509	18,501	4,679	5,931	713	685
Property	82,761	28,983	31,504	18,489	2,578	1,207
Other	104,339	30,770	40,951	26,824	4,084	1,710

New York State 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	409,416	341	15,278	36,703	57,498	75,345	60,171	47,619	32,684	28,062	24,488	31,227
Felony Total	138,216	341	5,629	12,339	19,116	25,936	20,872	16,278	11,184	9,053	8,068	9,400
Drug	22,306	0	310	1,460	2,881	4,350	3,594	2,912	2,031	1,559	1,480	1,729
Violent	37,273	341	2,667	4,430	5,713	6,964	5,152	3,684	2,551	1,950	1,709	2,112
DWI	5,280	0	10	43	305	888	1,032	878	594	537	433	560
Other	73,357	0	2,642	6,406	10,217	13,734	11,094	8,804	6,008	5,007	4,446	4,999
Misdemeanor Total	271,200	0	9,649	24,364	38,382	49,409	39,299	31,341	21,500	19,009	16,420	21,827
Drug	53,591	0	1,449	5,919	8,908	10,583	7,784	5,830	3,726	3,194	2,924	3,274
DWI	30,509	0	76	1,062	4,389	5,776	4,491	3,619	2,746	2,503	2,168	3,679
Property	82,761	0	4,240	8,605	10,633	13,543	11,205	9,087	6,502	6,214	5,582	7,150
Other	104,339	0	3,884	8,778	14,452	19,507	15,819	12,805	8,526	7,098	5,746	7,724

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.