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 arrests for offenses where fingerprints are required to be taken (Criminal Procedure Law 160.10). Arrest information is submitted by police agencies via fingerprint transaction and is electronically transmitted to DCJS by the state Office of Court Administration. Arrests shown involve individuals who were 18 or older when the crime was committed.

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 to a term of imprisonment in excess of one year may be imposed (NYS Penal Law Article 10.05).
- **Misdemeanor**: Offenses for which a sentence of imprisonment between 15 days and one year may be imposed (NYS Penal Law Article 10.04). Traffic infractions are not included.
- Drug: Offenses detailed in Penal Law Articles 220 (controlled substances) and 221 (marijuana).
- Violent Felony: Offenses detailed in Penal Law Article 70.02 and the Class A felonies of murder, arson, kidnapping, and predatory sexual assault.
- Driving While Intoxicated (DWI): Offenses include all charges listed under Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 1192.
- **Property**: Offenses include all misdemeanor charges listed under Penal Law Articles 140 (burglary and related offenses), 145 (criminal mischief and related offenses), 150 (arson), and 165 (other offenses related to theft).
- Other: All offenses in state law not specified above that require fingerprints to be taken upon arrest.

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Sex: 2019

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported	
Total Arrests	1,259	943	311	5	
Felony Total	340	275	63	2	
Drug	85	70	15	0	
Violent	64	55	9	0	
DWI	34	25	9	0	
Other	157	125	30	2	
Misdemeanor Total	919	668	248	3	
Drug	329	239	90	0	
DWI	206	145	61	0	
Property	140	98	42	0	
Other	244	186	55	3	

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2019

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other- Unknown
Total Arrests	1,259	837	300	90	12	20
Felony Total	340	186	117	31	2	4
Drug	85	43	29	10	2	1
Violent	64	32	28	3	0	1
DWI	34	26	5	3	0	0
Other	157	85	55	15	0	2
Misdemeanor Total	919	651	183	59	10	16
Drug	329	225	59	32	8	5
DWI	206	170	18	13	0	5
Property	140	101	31	8	0	0
Other	244	155	75	6	2	6

Columbia County Adult Arrests by Age at Crime: 2019

	Total Arrests	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55+
Total Arrests	1,259	99	175	242	160	169	118	97	92	107
Felony Total	340	26	45	50	50	55	33	21	25	35
Drug	85	7	9	13	10	18	9	5	6	8
Violent	64	5	13	9	7	14	4	3	4	5
DWI	34	0	4	2	3	7	4	2	5	7
Other	157	14	19	26	30	16	16	11	10	15
Misdemeanor Total	919	73	130	192	110	114	85	76	67	72
Drug	329	38	59	83	44	41	30	11	11	12
DWI	206	9	26	38	23	19	17	18	22	34
Property	140	9	14	22	25	19	14	17	11	9
Other	244	17	31	49	18	35	24	30	23	17

Source: DCJS, Computerized Criminal History system (as of 07/17/2020).