

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.

Erie County Adult Arrests by Sex: 2019

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported
Total Arrests	19,184	13,905	5,276	3
Felony Total	6,357	4,992	1,365	0
Drug	1,282	1,127	155	0
Violent	1,602	1,278	324	0
DWI	330	235	95	0
Other	3,143	2,352	791	0
Misdemeanor Total	12,827	8,913	3,911	3
Drug	2,806	2,006	800	0
DWI	1,806	1,259	547	0
Property	3,849	2,344	1,503	2
Other	4,366	3,304	1,061	1

Erie County Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2019

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other-Unknown
Total Arrests	19,184	8,749	8,244	1,634	184	373
Felony Total	6,357	2,187	3,405	586	53	126
Drug	1,282	313	788	153	9	19
Violent	1,602	371	1,026	160	10	35
DWI	330	216	83	16	7	8
Other	3,143	1,287	1,508	257	27	64
Misdemeanor Total	12,827	6,562	4,839	1,048	131	247
Drug	2,806	1,609	851	285	12	49
DWI	1,806	1,317	334	81	28	46
Property	3,849	1,767	1,699	279	49	55
Other	4,366	1,869	1,955	403	42	97

Erie 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	19,184	1,887	2,755	3,546	3,095	2,426	1,565	1,269	1,169	1,472
Felony Total	6,357	646	984	1,230	1,038	796	534	413	324	392
Drug	1,282	91	194	270	243	162	124	74	58	66
Violent	1,602	247	292	339	234	158	105	81	60	86
DWI	330	1	20	59	69	44	57	32	13	35
Other	3,143	307	478	562	492	432	248	226	193	205
Misdemeanor Total	12,827	1,241	1,771	2,316	2,057	1,630	1,031	856	845	1,080
Drug	2,806	179	329	542	531	390	251	187	193	204
DWI	1,806	52	232	344	280	244	146	135	147	226
Property	3,849	594	568	581	528	475	276	239	243	345
Other	4,366	416	642	849	718	521	358	295	262	305

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