

## DATA SOURCE NOTES

The source of these data is the Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system maintained by the Division of Criminal Justice Services. CCH includes adult arrests for fingerprintable offenses (ages 16 and older; and juvenile offenders prosecuted in the adult courts) and the dispositions of those arrests.

The unit of count is an 'arrest event' characterized by the most serious arrest charge in the event (i.e., one arrest event that contains 3 felony charges and 1 misdemeanor charge is counted as one felony arrest). The tables provide a summary of the outcomes of arrests involving persons 16 or 17 at the time of the crime, by the category of the most serious arrest charge (felony or misdemeanor).

The summaries are displayed according to the year in which the final disposition occurred, regardless of when the arrest actually occurred. For example, a 2015 arrest which resulted in a conviction in 2016 is displayed in the 2016 column.

Dispositions represent case outcomes reported to DCJS by the Office of Court Administration as of April 20, 2018. Dispositions include convicted-sentenced, convicted-sentence pending, diverted and dismissed\*, covered by another case, dismissed-Adjourned in Contemplation of Dismissal (ACD), dismissed-not ACD (or diverted), acquitted, District Attorney declined to prosecute, and other (including abated by defendant's death, unknown favorable disposition, and rendered non-New York State jurisdiction). The percentages shown represent the proportion of total final dispositions. Arrests with an interim disposition or no disposition are not considered disposed and are not included in the table.

The convictions shown include all convictions (felony, misdemeanor and non-criminal violations and infractions) that resulted from either plea bargains or trials, and may include convictions for offenses other than those charged at arrest (i.e., a felony arrest may result in conviction for a misdemeanor or violation). Sentences are shown by offense category and displayed separately for adults (non-Youthful Offenders) and for those adjudicated as Youthful Offenders per CPL Article 720.

*\* Not all 'Diverted and dismissed' dispositions are reported to DCJS.*