

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). For calendar years up to and including 2017, state law defined an adult as anyone age 16 or older. 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: 2017

	Total Arrests	Male	Female	Not Reported
Total Arrests	449,768	349,140	100,459	169
Felony Total	142,527	116,221	26,259	47
Drug	24,291	20,477	3,803	11
Violent	38,259	31,146	7,105	8
DWI	5,502	4,286	1,209	7
Other	74,475	60,312	14,142	21
Misdemeanor Total	307,241	232,919	74,200	122
Drug	66,525	54,332	12,171	22
DWI	32,386	24,327	8,042	17
Property	99,841	71,731	28,066	44
Other	108,489	82,529	25,921	39

New York State Adult Arrests by Race/Ethnicity: 2017

	Total Arrests	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other-Unknown
Total Arrests	449,768	146,385	173,792	108,213	14,280	7,098
Felony Total	142,527	38,397	63,068	34,356	4,721	1,985
Drug	24,291	6,150	10,498	6,839	514	290
Violent	38,259	7,125	19,379	10,070	1,221	464
DWI	5,502	3,278	983	998	118	125
Other	74,475	21,844	32,208	16,449	2,868	1,106
Misdemeanor Total	307,241	107,988	110,724	73,857	9,559	5,113
Drug	66,525	23,342	23,321	17,119	1,636	1,107
DWI	32,386	19,787	4,894	6,113	832	760
Property	99,841	32,310	40,066	23,304	2,727	1,434
Other	108,489	32,549	42,443	27,321	4,364	1,812

New York State Adult Arrests by Age at Crime: 2017

	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	449,768	423	21,371	46,278	68,815	82,554	63,034	47,775	32,983	29,758	26,370	30,407
Felony Total	142,527	423	6,758	13,860	21,211	26,489	20,908	15,772	10,760	9,514	8,172	8,660
Drug	24,291	0	375	1,634	3,381	4,655	3,835	2,986	2,085	1,800	1,702	1,838
Violent	38,259	423	3,062	4,916	6,361	6,807	5,094	3,595	2,410	1,997	1,605	1,989
DWI	5,502	0	8	46	307	985	1,122	896	566	569	437	566
Other	74,475	0	3,313	7,264	11,162	14,042	10,857	8,295	5,699	5,148	4,428	4,267
Misdemeanor Total	307,241	0	14,613	32,418	47,604	56,065	42,126	32,003	22,223	20,244	18,198	21,747
Drug	66,525	0	2,403	8,695	12,261	13,218	8,927	6,340	4,034	3,809	3,363	3,475
DWI	32,386	0	108	1,374	4,970	6,385	4,733	3,578	2,778	2,551	2,297	3,612
Property	99,841	0	7,086	12,217	14,477	16,471	12,494	9,709	6,903	6,651	6,521	7,312
Other	108,489	0	5,016	10,132	15,896	19,991	15,972	12,376	8,508	7,233	6,017	7,348

Source: DCJS, Computerized Criminal History system (as of 04/20/2018).