

CRIME & DELINQUENCY IN CALIFORNIA
2000

ARRESTS
PART 3



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Petty Theft Arrests

Comparing 1995 to 2000:

- There was a 38.9 percent decrease in the rate of total petty theft arrests.
- There was a 43.6 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 33.3 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

From 1999 to 2000:

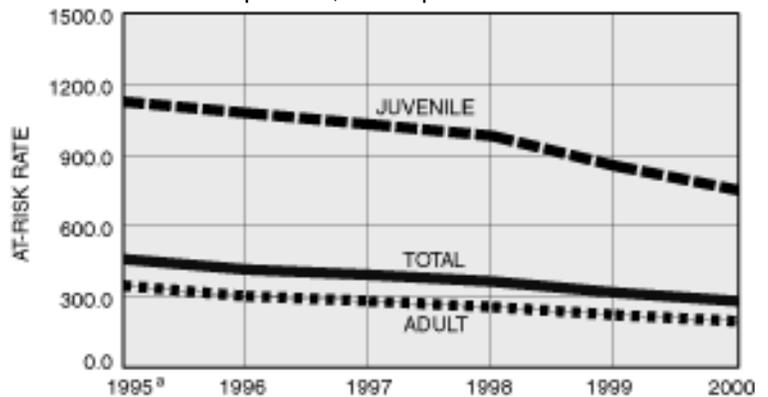
- There was an 11.6 percent rate decrease in total petty theft arrests.
- There was a 12.1 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 12.1 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2000, of 73,584 arrests for petty theft:

- Adult arrests accounted for 59.1 percent (43,504).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 40.9 percent (30,080).

Throughout the period shown, the juvenile arrest rate for petty theft offenses was over three times that of adults.

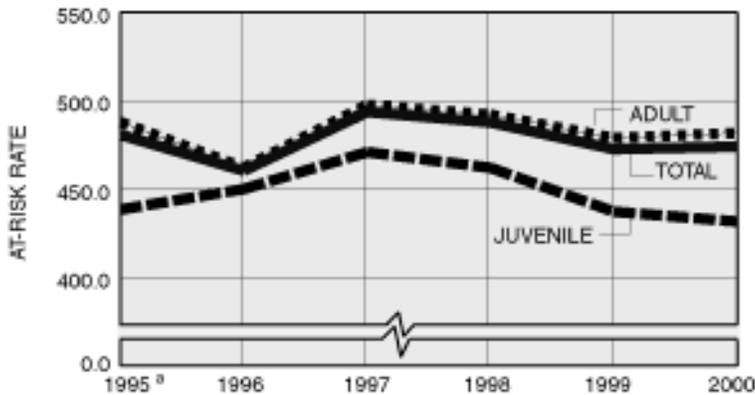
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS FOR
PETTY THEFT, 1995-2000
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 27.

^a These 1995 data include estimates. See "Data Characteristics and Known Limitations" in the Appendix.

MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS FOR
DRUG OFFENSES, 1995-2000
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



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Drug Offense Arrests

Misdemeanor Drug Offense Arrests - marijuana, other drug offenses such as possession of paraphernalia.

Comparing 1995 to 2000:

- There was a 1.4 percent decrease in the rate of total drug offense arrests.
- There was a 1.3 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 1.6 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

From 1999 to 2000:

- There was a 0.3 percent rate increase in total drug offense arrests.
- There was a 0.6 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 1.3 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2000, of 124,211 arrests for drug offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 86.1 percent (106,921).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 13.9 percent (17,290).

Drunk Arrests

Comparing 1995 to 2000:

- There was an 8.3 percent decrease in the rate of total drunk arrests.
- There was a 7.8 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 3.4 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

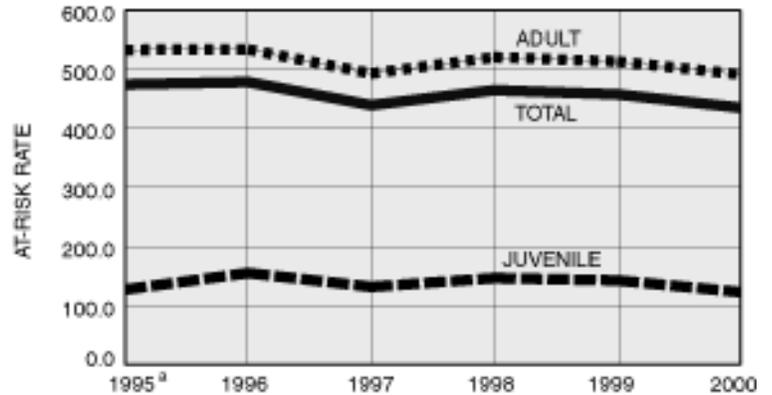
From 1999 to 2000:

- There was a 4.9 percent rate decrease in total drunk arrests.
- There was a 4.3 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 13.9 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2000, of 114,023 arrests for drunk offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 95.7 percent (109,106).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 4.3 percent (4,917).

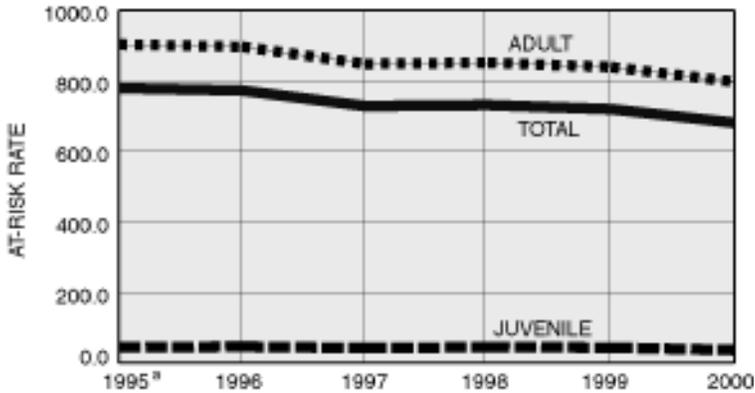
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS FOR
DRUNKENNESS, 1995-2000
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



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MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS FOR
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, 1995-2000
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 27.

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Driving Under the Influence Arrests

Driving Under the Influence - *driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or the combination of alcohol and drugs.*

Comparing 1995 to 2000:

- There was a 12.6 percent decrease in the rate of total misdemeanor arrests for driving under the influence.
- There was an 11.7 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 17.3 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

From 1999 to 2000:

- There was a 5.4 percent rate decrease in total misdemeanor arrests for driving under the influence.
- There was a 5.0 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 16.1 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2000, of 178,431 arrests for driving under the influence offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 99.2 percent (176,974).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 0.8 percent (1,457).

Personal Characteristics of Felony and Misdemeanor Arrestees

Gender of Arrestee

In 2000, of 1,385,361 arrests for felony and misdemeanor offenses:

- Arrests of males accounted for 80.4 percent (1,114,026).
- Arrests of females accounted for 19.6 percent (271,335).

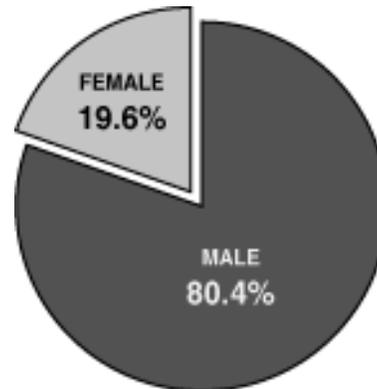
Of the 1,114,026 arrests of males:

- Felony offenses accounted for 33.2 percent (370,068).
- Misdemeanor offenses accounted for 66.8 percent (743,958).

Of the 271,335 arrests of females:

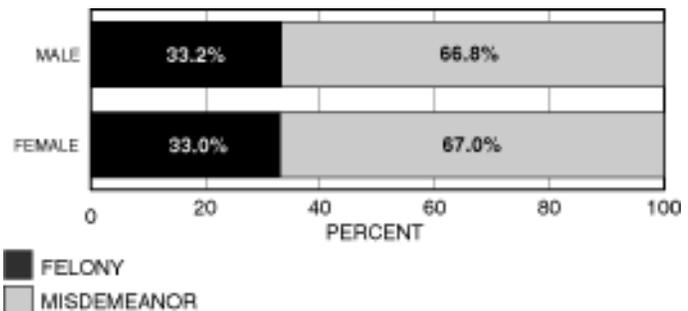
- Felony offenses accounted for 33.0 percent (89,564).
- Misdemeanor offenses accounted for 67.0 percent (181,771).

FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
By Gender of Arrestee



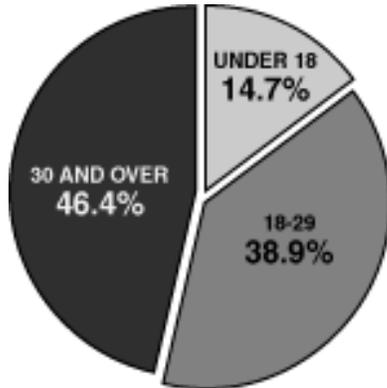
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FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
Gender of Arrestee by Level of Offense



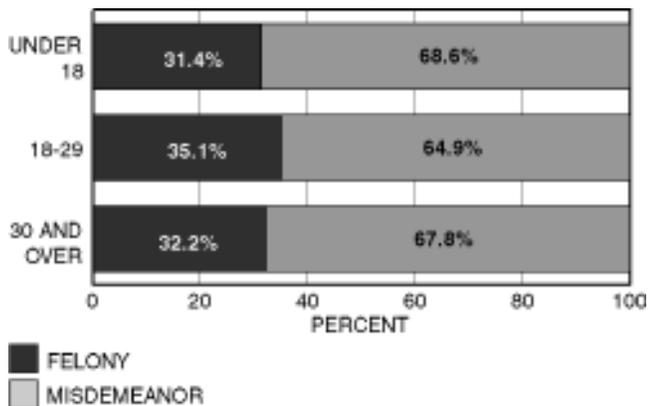
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FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
By Age of Arrestee



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FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
Age of Arrestee by Level of Offense



Source: Table 30.

Personal Characteristics of Felony and Misdemeanor Arrestees (continued)

Age of Arrestee

In 2000, of 1,385,361 arrests for felony and misdemeanor offenses:

- Arrests of persons under 18 years of age accounted for 14.7 percent (203,558).
- Arrests of persons 18-29 years of age accounted for 38.9 percent (538,459).
- Arrests of persons 30 years of age and over accounted for 46.4 percent (643,344).

Of 203,558 arrests of persons under 18 years of age:

- Felony arrests accounted for 31.4 percent (63,889).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 68.6 percent (139,669).

Of 538,459 arrests of persons 18-29 years of age:

- Felony arrests accounted for 35.1 percent (188,860).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 64.9 percent (349,599).

And, of 643,344 arrests of persons 30 years of age and over:

- Felony arrests accounted for 32.2 percent (206,883).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 67.8 percent (436,461).

Personal Characteristics of Felony and Misdemeanor Arrestees (continued)

Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee

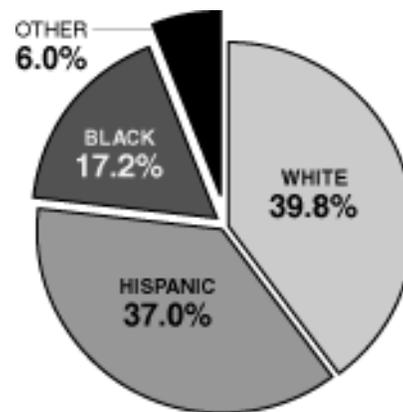
In 2000, of 1,385,361 arrests for felony and misdemeanor offenses:

- Arrests of whites accounted for 39.8 percent (551,258).
- Arrests of Hispanics accounted for 37.0 percent (512,337).
- Arrests of blacks accounted for 17.2 percent (238,730).
- Arrests of persons of other race/ethnic groups accounted for 6.0 percent (83,036).

The subjectivity of the classification and labeling process must be considered in the analysis of race/ethnic group data. As commonly used, race refers to large populations which share certain similar physical characteristics such as skin color. Because these physical characteristics can vary greatly within groups as well as between groups, determination of race is frequently, by necessity, subjective. Ethnicity refers to cultural heritage and can cross racial lines. For example, the ethnic designation "Hispanic" includes persons of any race. Most commonly, self-identification of race/ethnicity is used in the labeling process.

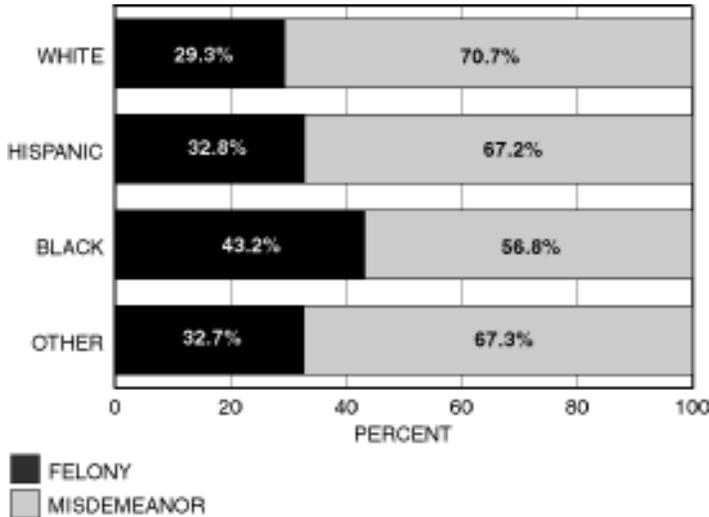
Beginning with the *Crime and Delinquency in California, 1991* publication, race/ethnic group designations used for data display purposes are the same as California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, designations.

FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee



Source: Table 30.

FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2000
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Level of Offense



Source: Table 30.

Personal Characteristics of Felony and Misdemeanor Arrestees (continued)

Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee (continued)

Of 551,258 arrests of whites:

- Felony arrests accounted for 29.3 percent (161,410).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 70.7 percent (389,848).

Of 512,337 arrests of Hispanics:

- Felony arrests accounted for 32.8 percent (167,839).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 67.2 percent (344,498).

Of 238,730 arrests of blacks:

- Felony arrests accounted for 43.2 percent (103,244).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 56.8 percent (135,486).

And, of 83,036 arrests of persons of other race/ethnic groups:

- Felony arrests accounted for 32.7 percent (27,139).
- Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 67.3 percent (55,897).