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## Arrests for Property Offenses

**Property Offense Arrests** - felony arrests for burglary; theft; motor vehicle theft; forgery, checks, and access card offenses; and arson.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

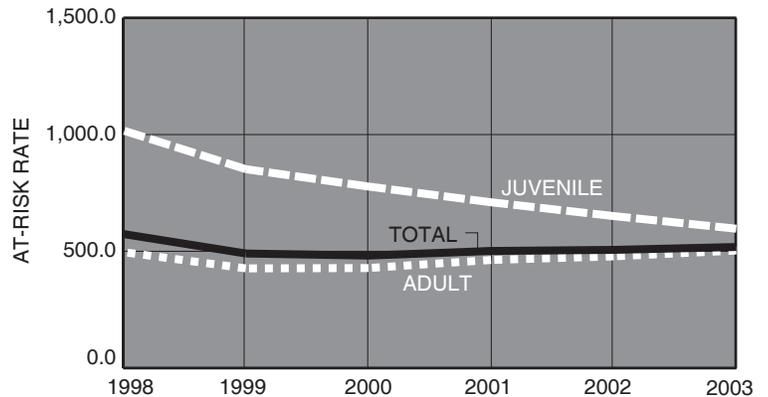
- There was a 9.7 percent decrease in the rate of total arrests for property offenses.
- There was a 1.4 percent increase in the rate of adult arrests and a 41.4 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 2.5 percent rate increase in total arrests for property offenses.
- There was a 5.2 percent rate increase in adult arrests and an 8.3 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

*In 2003, total property offense arrest rates increased for the third consecutive year.*

FELONY ARRESTS FOR  
PROPERTY OFFENSES, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk

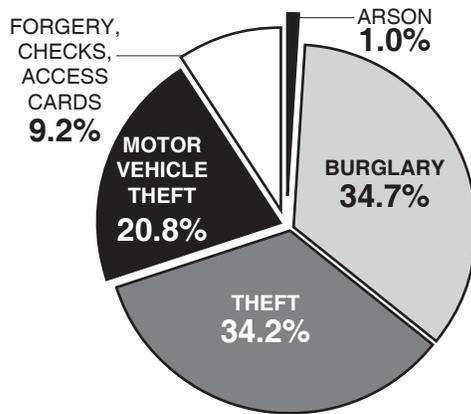


Source: Table 22.

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## Arrests for Property Offenses (continued)

FELONY ARRESTS FOR PROPERTY OFFENSES, 2003  
By Offense



Source: Table 20.  
Note: Percentages do not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

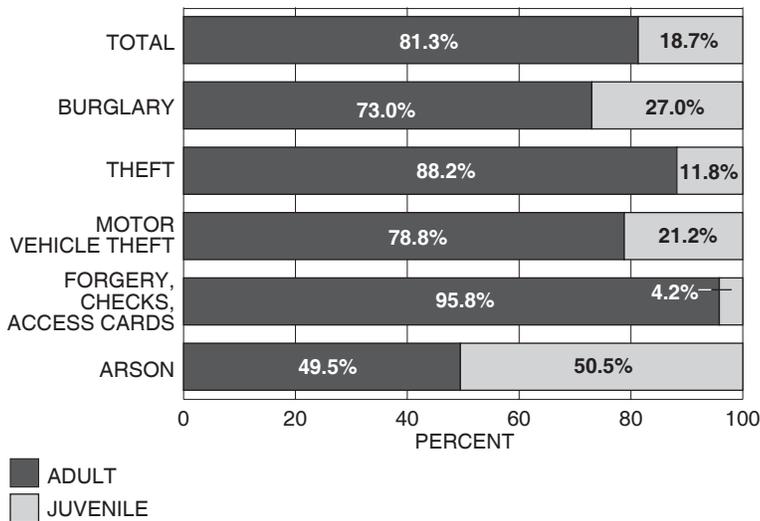
In 2003, of 144,200 felony arrests for property offenses:

- Burglary accounted for 34.7 percent (50,091).
- Theft accounted for 34.2 percent (49,258).
- Motor vehicle theft accounted for 20.8 percent (30,064).
- Forgery, checks, and access cards accounted for 9.2 percent (13,304).
- Arson accounted for 1.0 percent (1,483).

And,

- Adult arrests accounted for 81.3 percent (117,231).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 18.7 percent (26,969).

FELONY ARRESTS FOR PROPERTY OFFENSES, 2003  
Offense by Adult and Juvenile Arrests



Source: Table 21.

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## Burglary Arrests

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was an 18.2 percent decrease in the rate of total burglary arrests.
- There was a 5.4 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 43.4 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

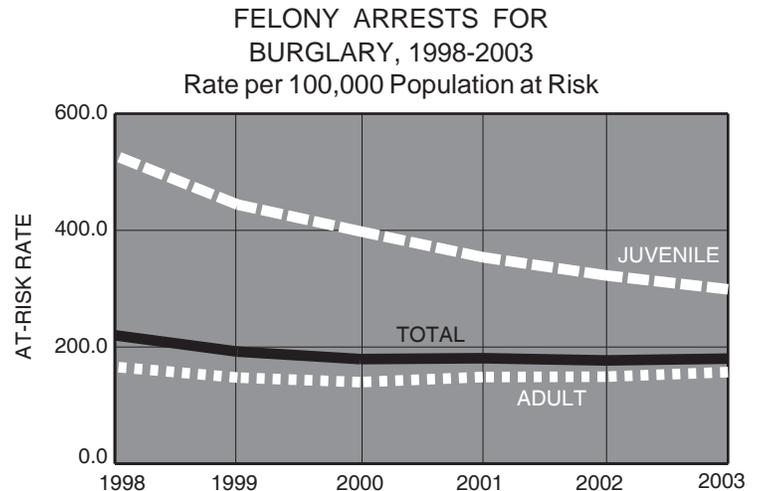
### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 1.8 percent rate increase in total burglary arrests.
- There was a 5.3 percent rate increase in adult arrests and an 7.4 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### In 2003, of 50,091 arrests for burglary:

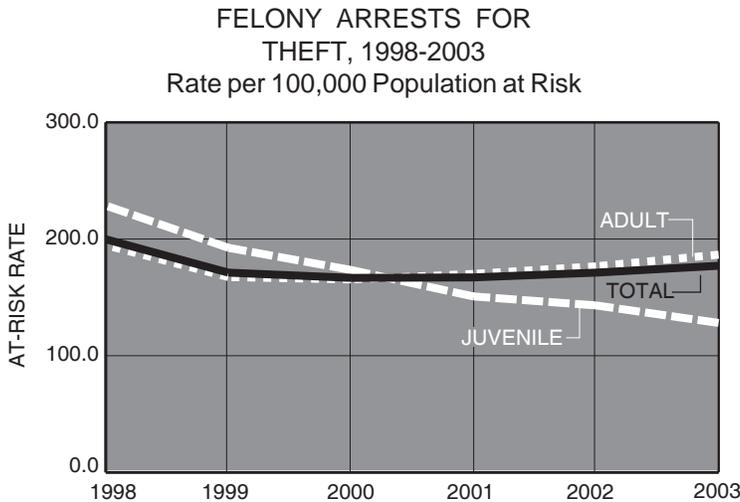
- Adult arrests accounted for 73.0 percent (36,582).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 27.0 percent (13,509).

*Although the juvenile burglary arrest rate has decreased 43.4 percent during the past five years, it still remained nearly twice that of the adult burglary arrest rate in 2003.*



Source: Table 22.

## Theft Arrests



Source: Table 22.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was an 11.4 percent decrease in the rate of total theft arrests.
- There was a 4.2 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 44.0 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 3.4 percent rate increase in total theft arrests.
- There was a 5.7 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 10.5 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### In 2003, of 49,258 arrests for theft:

- Adult arrests accounted for 88.2 percent (43,469).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 11.8 percent (5,789).

*The adult arrest rate for theft increased for the third consecutive year, while the juvenile arrest rate for theft continued to decline.*

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## Motor Vehicle Theft Arrests

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 12.4 percent increase in the rate of total motor vehicle theft arrests.
- There was a 34.5 percent increase in the rate of adult arrests and a 34.3 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

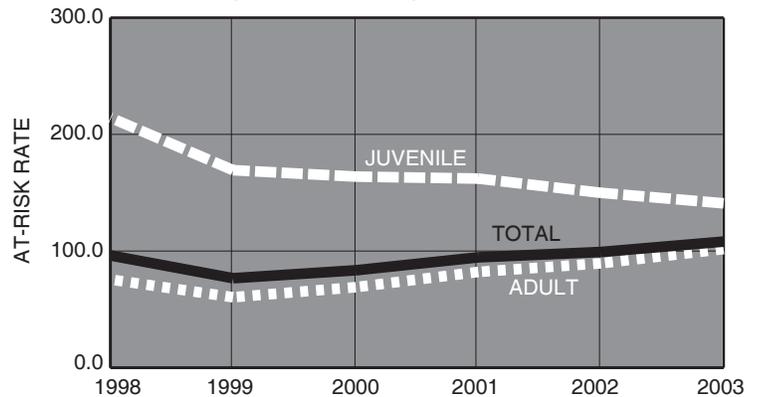
- There was a 9.0 percent rate increase in total motor vehicle theft arrests.
- There was a 13.6 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 6.0 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2003, of 30,064 arrests for motor vehicle theft:

- Adult arrests accounted for 78.8 percent (23,696).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 21.2 percent (6,368).

*The total and adult motor vehicle theft arrest rate increased for the fourth consecutive year, while the rate for juvenile arrests continued to decline.*

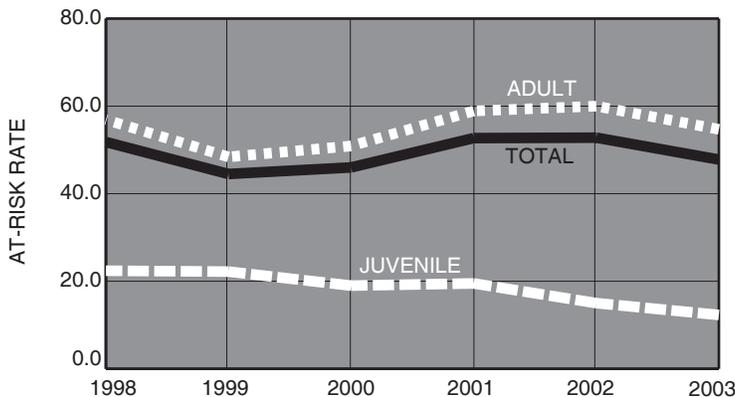
FELONY ARRESTS FOR  
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 22.

## Forgery, Check, and Access Card Arrests

FELONY ARRESTS FOR FORGERY, CHECK, AND ACCESS CARD OFFENSES, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 22.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 7.7 percent decrease in the rate of total forgery, check, and access card offense arrests.
- There was a 3.9 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 45.1 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 9.5 percent rate decrease in total forgery, check, and access card offense arrests.
- There was an 8.8 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and an 18.0 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2003, of 13,304 arrests for forgery, check, and access card offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 95.8 percent (12,750).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 4.2 percent (554).

*In 2003, the rate of adult felony arrests for forgery, check, and access card offenses was more than four times that of juveniles.*

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## Arson Arrests

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 15.9 percent decrease in the rate of total arson arrests.
- There was no change in the rate of adult arrests and a 29.7 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

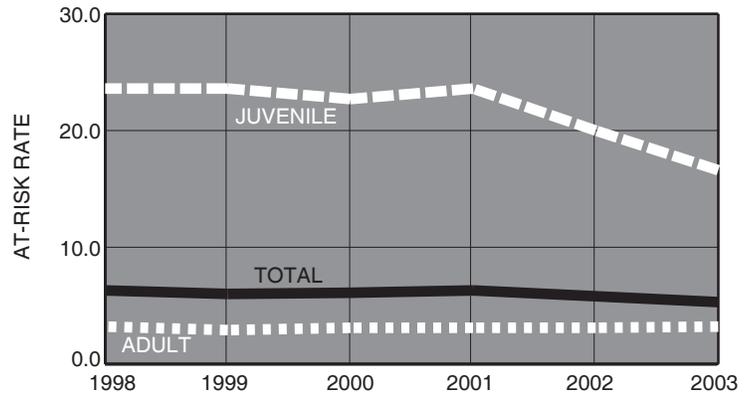
- There was an 8.6 percent rate decrease in total arson arrests.
- There was a 3.2 percent increase in the rate of adult arrests and a 17.0 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### In 2003, of 1,483 arrests for arson:

- Adult arrests accounted for 49.5 percent (734).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 50.5 percent (749).

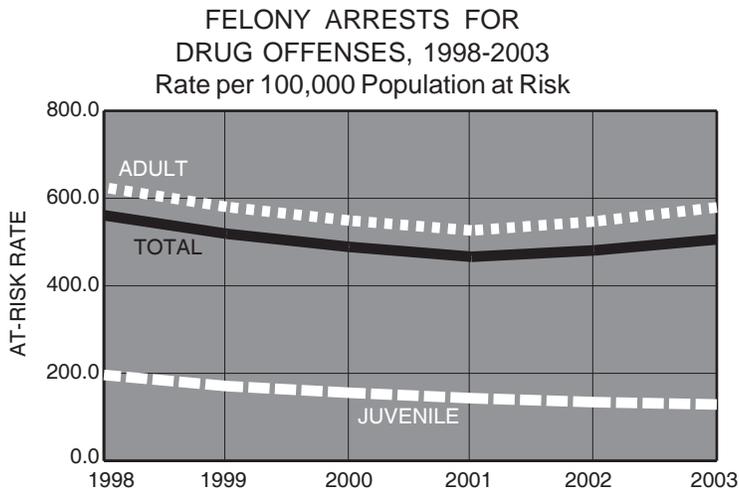
*After a two-year increase, the total arson arrest rate declined for the second consecutive year.*

FELONY ARRESTS FOR  
ARSON, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 22.

## Arrests for Drug Offenses



Source: Table 22.

### Drug Offense Arrests

- Narcotics (*heroin, cocaine, etc.*)
- Marijuana (*possession, possession for sale, etc.*)
- Dangerous drugs (*barbiturates, phencyclidine, etc.*)
- Other drug offenses (*manufacturing of a controlled substance, etc.*)

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 9.8 percent decrease in the rate of total drug offense arrests.
- There was a 7.3 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 34.4 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 5.2 percent rate increase in total drug offense arrests.
- There was a 5.9 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 4.0 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

*The adult arrest rate for felony drug offenses increased for the second year in a row, while the juvenile arrest rate continued to decline.*

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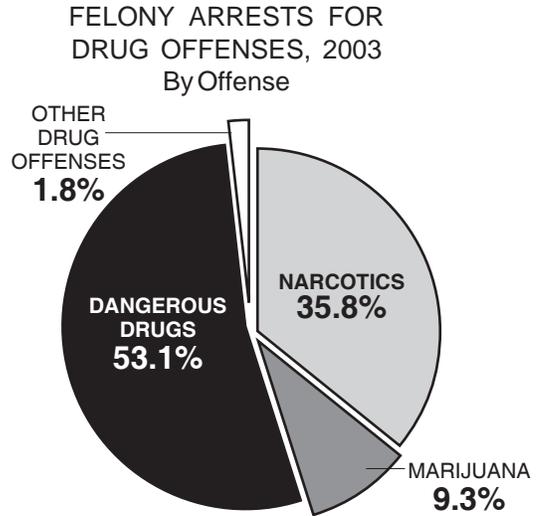
## Arrests for Drug Offenses (continued)

In 2003, of 140,744 felony arrests for drug offenses:

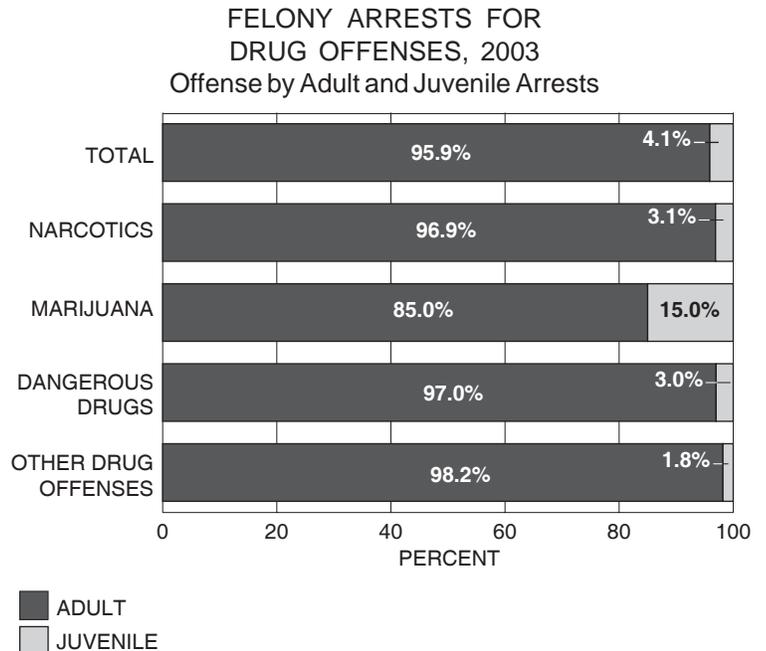
- Narcotic arrests accounted for 35.8 percent (50,440).
- Marijuana arrests accounted for 9.3 percent (13,022).
- Dangerous drug arrests accounted for 53.1 percent (74,775).
- Other drug offense arrests accounted for 1.8 percent (2,507).

And,

- Adult arrests accounted for 95.9 percent (134,924).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 4.1 percent (5,820).



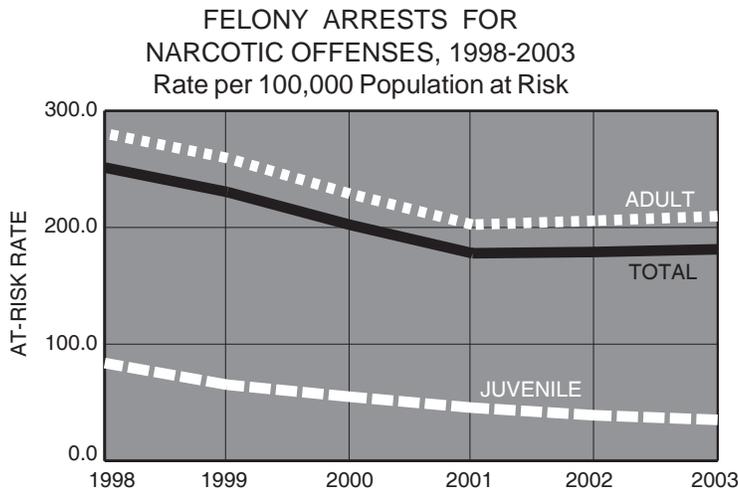
Source: Table 20.



Source: Table 21.

## Narcotic Arrests

**Narcotic Category** - heroin, cocaine, etc.



Source: Table 22.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 27.9 percent decrease in the rate of total narcotic arrests.
- There was a 25.3 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 58.1 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 1.3 percent rate increase in total narcotic arrests.
- There was a 1.9 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 10.0 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### In 2003, of 50,440 arrests for narcotic offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 96.9 percent (48,855).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 3.1 percent (1,585).

*In 2003, the adult arrest rate for narcotic offenses was nearly six times higher than the juvenile arrest rate.*

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## Marijuana Arrests

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 17.6 percent decrease in the rate of total marijuana arrests.
- There was a 15.9 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 26.3 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

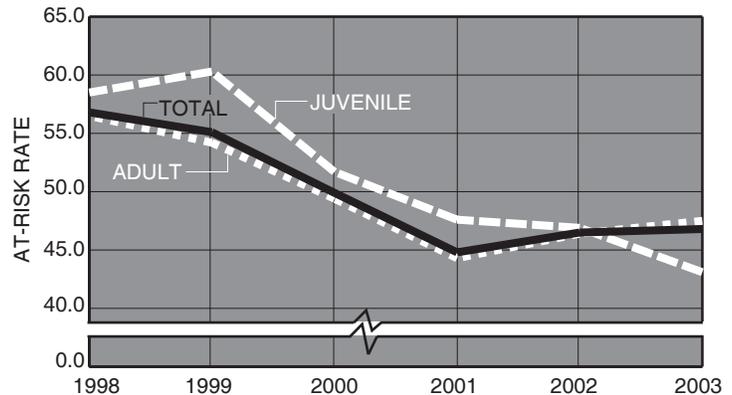
- There was a 0.6 percent rate increase in total marijuana arrests.
- There was a 2.4 percent rate increase in adult arrests and an 8.1 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2003, of 13,022 arrests for marijuana offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 85.0 percent (11,074).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 15.0 percent (1,948).

*The juvenile arrest rate for marijuana has decreased 26.3 percent since 1998. In 2003, the juvenile rate dropped below the adult rate for the first time since 1993.*

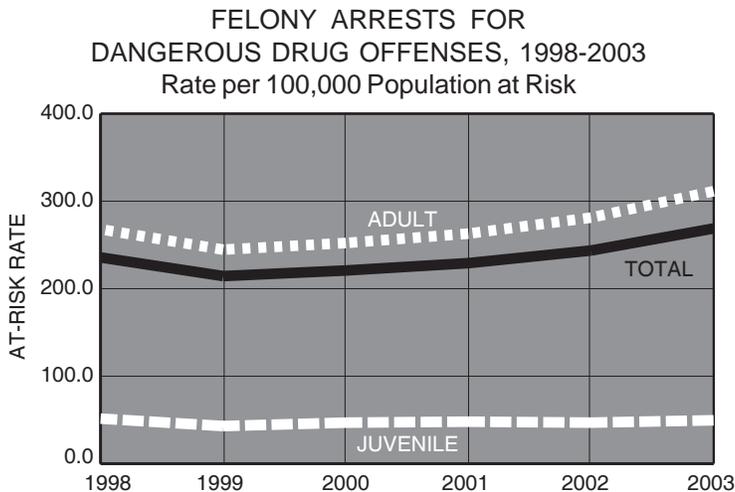
FELONY ARRESTS FOR MARIJUANA OFFENSES, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 22.

## Dangerous Drug Arrests

**Dangerous Drugs Category** - *barbiturates, phencyclidine, piperidine, etc.*



Source: Table 22.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 14.0 percent increase in the rate of total dangerous drug arrests.
- There was a 16.2 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 3.7 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 10.3 percent rate increase in total dangerous drug arrests.
- There was a 10.7 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 5.8 percent rate increase in juvenile arrests.

**In 2003**, of 74,775 arrests for dangerous drug offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 97.0 percent (72,534).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 3.0 percent (2,241).

*The adult and total arrest rate for dangerous drug offenses increased for the fourth consecutive year.*

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## Other Drug Offense Arrests

**Other Drug Offenses** - *manufacturing of a controlled substance, forging/altering of a narcotic prescription, etc.*

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 48.0 percent decrease in the rate of total arrests for other drug offenses.
- There was a 46.7 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 60.0 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

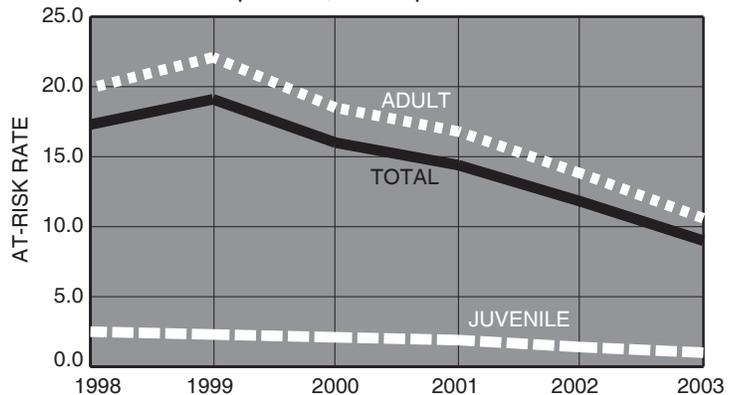
- There was a 23.7 percent rate decrease in total arrests for other drug offenses.
- There was a 23.2 percent rate decrease in adult arrests and a 28.6 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

**In 2003**, of 2,507 arrests for other drug offenses:

- Adult arrests accounted for 98.2 percent (2,461).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 1.8 percent (46).

*Arrest rates for "other" drug offenses declined for the fourth consecutive year.*

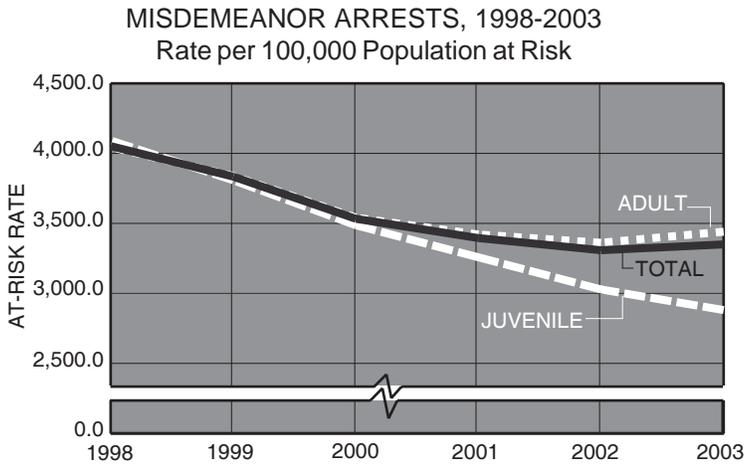
FELONY ARRESTS FOR  
OTHER DRUG OFFENSES, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 22.

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## Misdemeanor Arrests



Source: Table 27.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 17.3 percent decrease in the rate of total misdemeanor arrests.
- There was a 14.9 percent decrease in the rate of adult arrests and a 29.6 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 1.3 percent rate increase in total misdemeanor arrests.
- There was a 2.3 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 4.9 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

*Misdemeanor arrest rates for juveniles decreased for the fifth consecutive year.*

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## Misdemeanor Arrests (continued)

In 2003, of 931,782 misdemeanor arrests reported:

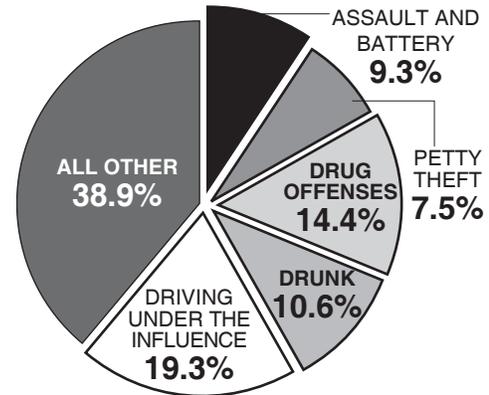
- Assault and battery accounted for 9.3 percent (86,413).
- Petty theft accounted for 7.5 percent (69,837).
- Drug offenses accounted for 14.4 percent (134,555).
- Drunk offenses accounted for 10.6 percent (98,613).
- Driving under the influence accounted for 19.3 percent (180,074).
- All other offenses accounted for 38.9 percent (362,290).

And,

- Adult arrests accounted for 86.0 percent (801,560).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 14.0 percent (130,222).

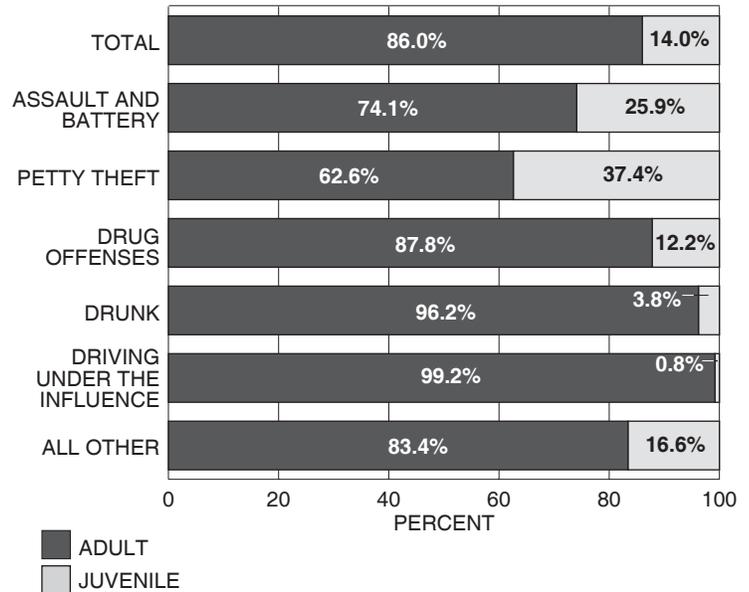
*In 2003, 44.3 percent of misdemeanor arrests were either alcohol- or drug-related.*

MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2003  
By Offense



Source: Table 25.

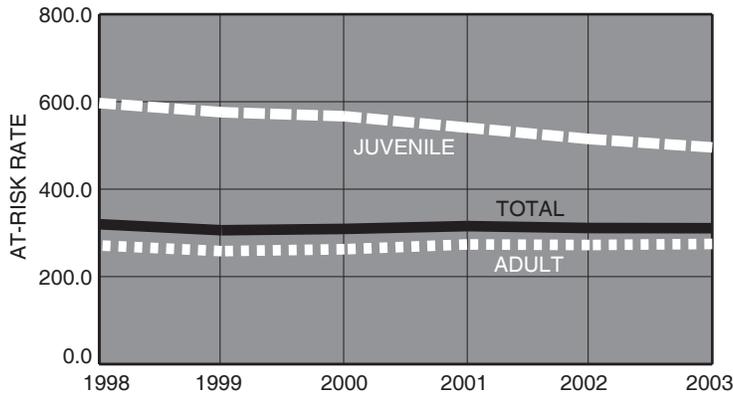
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2003  
Offense by Adult and Juvenile Arrests



Source: Table 26.

## Assault and Battery Arrests

MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS FOR  
ASSAULT AND BATTERY, 1998-2003  
Rate per 100,000 Population at Risk



Source: Table 27.

### Comparing 1998 to 2003:

- There was a 2.8 percent decrease in the rate of total assault and battery arrests.
- There was a 1.3 percent increase in the rate of adult arrests and a 17.0 percent decrease in the rate of juvenile arrests.

### From 2002 to 2003:

- There was a 0.1 percent rate decrease in total assault and battery arrests.
- There was a 0.9 percent rate increase in adult arrests and a 3.7 percent rate decrease in juvenile arrests.

In 2003, of 86,413 arrests for assault and battery:

- Adult arrests accounted for 74.1 percent (64,017).
- Juvenile arrests accounted for 25.9 percent (22,396).

*The juvenile arrest rate for assault and battery offenses declined for the fifth consecutive year.*

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