

Table 4.15

Arrests in rural counties

By offense charged and sex, 2002

(1,949 agencies; 2002 estimated population 21,924,006)

Offense charged	Persons arrested					Percent distribution of offenses charged ^a		
	Total number	Male		Female		Total	Male	Female
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent			
Total	882,727	694,371	78.7%	188,356	21.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	886	776	87.6	110	12.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
Forcible rape	2,171	2,143	98.7	28	1.3	0.2	0.3	(b)
Robbery	2,014	1,824	90.6	190	9.4	0.2	0.3	0.1
Aggravated assault	23,887	19,800	82.9	4,087	17.1	2.7	2.9	2.2
Burglary	20,873	18,548	88.9	2,325	11.1	2.4	2.7	1.2
Larceny-theft	33,227	24,091	72.5	9,136	27.5	3.8	3.5	4.9
Motor vehicle theft	6,473	5,435	84.0	1,038	16.0	0.7	0.8	0.6
Arson	1,069	911	85.2	158	14.8	0.1	0.1	0.1
Violent crime ^c	28,958	24,543	84.8	4,415	15.2	3.3	3.5	2.3
Property crime ^d	61,642	48,985	79.5	12,657	20.5	7.0	7.1	6.7
Total Crime Index ^e	90,600	73,528	81.2	17,072	18.8	10.3	10.6	9.1
Other assaults	78,678	60,730	77.2	17,948	22.8	8.9	8.7	9.5
Forgery and counterfeiting	6,520	3,778	57.9	2,742	42.1	0.7	0.5	1.5
Fraud	39,324	20,180	51.3	19,144	48.7	4.5	2.9	10.2
Embezzlement	928	462	49.8	466	50.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing	5,515	4,612	83.6	903	16.4	0.6	0.7	0.5
Vandalism	15,107	12,749	84.4	2,358	15.6	1.7	1.8	1.3
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.	7,975	7,363	92.3	612	7.7	0.9	1.1	0.3
Prostitution and commercialized vice	143	93	65.0	50	35.0	(b)	(b)	(b)
Sex offenses (except forcible rape and prostitution)	6,223	5,889	94.6	334	5.4	0.7	0.8	0.2
Drug abuse violations	91,205	74,004	81.1	17,201	18.9	10.3	10.7	9.1
Gambling	651	543	83.4	108	16.6	0.1	0.1	0.1
Offenses against family and children	14,741	12,101	82.1	2,640	17.9	1.7	1.7	1.4
Driving under the influence	172,521	144,579	83.8	27,942	16.2	19.5	20.8	14.8
Liquor laws	45,988	33,999	73.9	11,989	26.1	5.2	4.9	6.4
Drunkenness	24,868	21,104	84.9	3,764	15.1	2.8	3.0	2.0
Disorderly conduct	26,256	19,738	75.2	6,518	24.8	3.0	2.8	3.5
Vagrancy	587	416	70.9	171	29.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
All other offenses (except traffic)	247,267	195,146	78.9	52,121	21.1	28.0	28.1	27.7
Suspicion	159	135	84.9	24	15.1	(b)	(b)	(b)
Curfew and loitering law violations	1,034	651	63.0	383	37.0	0.1	0.1	0.2
Runaways	6,437	2,571	39.9	3,866	60.1	0.7	0.4	2.1

Note: See Note, table 4.1. This table presents data from all rural county law enforcement agencies submitting complete reports for 12 months in 2002 (Source, p. 453). Population figures are estimates calculated from U.S. Census Bureau data. For definitions of offenses and rural counties, see Appendix 3.

^cViolent crimes are offenses of murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

^dProperty crimes are offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson.

^eIncludes arson.

^aBecause of rounding, percents may not add to total.

^bLess than 0.1%.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2002* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2003), p. 278. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.