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Table 4.22.2003

Number of offenses known to police that were cleared by arrest and percent of clearances from arrest of persons under 18 years of age^a

By offense and population group, 2003

(2003 estimated population)

Population group	Violent crime					Property crime				
	Total	Murder and non-negligent manslaughter	Forcible rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Total	Burglary	Larceny-theft	Motor vehicle theft	Arson ^b
Total all agencies										
11,814 agencies; population 209,050,305:										
Total clearances	435,481	7,074	28,735	72,278	327,394	1,215,611	195,744	898,948	120,919	9,744
Percent under 18 years of age	12.2%	5.2	11.5	14.1	11.9	19.3	16.8	20.2	17.3	41.3
Total cities										
8,525 cities; population 140,970,503:										
Total clearances	339,526	5,500	21,569	62,963	249,494	975,395	140,819	740,728	93,848	7,113
Percent under 18 years of age	12.2%	5.3	10.6	14.2	12.0	20.1	16.8	21.0	17.8	44.2
Group I										
54 cities, 250,000 and over; population 34,515,076:										
Total clearances	135,898	2,714	7,622	29,536	96,026	248,822	40,747	170,797	37,278	1,791
Percent under 18 years of age	10.0%	6.1	7.2	13.1	9.3	16.7	13.3	17.0	18.9	38.7
8 cities, 1,000,000 and over; population 13,684,275:										
Total clearances	59,797	1,071	2,707	13,604	42,415	88,831	15,461	59,575	13,795	596
Percent under 18 years of age	9.0%	7.0	8.3	12.9	7.8	15.5	11.9	16.3	16.3	40.8
15 cities, 500,000 to 999,999; population 9,694,084:										
Total clearances	35,936	737	2,386	7,328	25,485	69,200	11,270	47,121	10,809	564
Percent under 18 years of age	9.9%	4.1	7.0	12.1	9.7	15.5	11.9	14.9	21.7	30.9
31 cities, 250,000 to 499,999; population 11,136,717:										
Total clearances	40,165	906	2,529	8,604	28,126	90,791	14,016	64,101	12,674	631
Percent under 18 years of age	11.5%	6.6	6.2	14.2	11.3	18.8	16.0	19.3	19.2	43.9
Group II										
136 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 20,204,537:										
Total clearances	50,408	886	2,968	10,372	36,182	143,625	21,148	108,009	14,468	1,031
Percent under 18 years of age	12.2%	4.9	10.1	15.3	11.7	19.8	15.5	21.2	15.7	41.6
Group III										
332 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 22,994,251:										
Total clearances	48,445	660	3,189	8,722	35,874	154,329	20,907	121,870	11,552	1,106
Percent under 18 years of age	13.6%	5.6	12.6	15.6	13.3	22.5	18.0	23.6	18.6	45.8
Group IV										
642 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 22,275,240:										
Total clearances	36,151	442	2,702	6,028	26,979	141,804	17,821	113,942	10,041	967
Percent under 18 years of age	14.9%	4.1	13.4	15.5	15.1	22.4	19.0	23.4	17.4	46.0
Group V										
1,402 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 22,166,613:										
Total clearances	34,399	419	2,656	4,989	26,335	153,132	20,077	122,778	10,277	1,146
Percent under 18 years of age	14.0%	3.6	13.2	14.2	14.2	21.2	18.8	21.9	17.3	48.3
Group VI										
5,959 cities under 10,000; population 18,814,786:										
Total clearances	34,225	379	2,432	3,316	28,098	133,683	20,119	103,332	10,232	1,072
Percent under 18 years of age	14.6%	4.0	13.3	15.2	14.7	20.1	20.3	20.4	16.5	48.5

See notes at end of table.

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Metropolitan counties										
1,292 agencies; population 47,528,319:										
Total clearances	71,476	1,075	4,977	8,131	57,293	180,004	36,704	123,273	20,027	1,860
Percent under 18 years of age	12.7%	4.8	13.6	13.8	12.6	16.7	17.0	16.8	15.3	37.1
Nonmetropolitan counties										
1,997 agencies; population 20,551,483:										
Total clearances	24,479	499	2,189	1,184	20,607	60,212	18,221	34,947	7,044	771
Percent under 18 years of age	9.8%	4.2	16.0	8.6	9.4	15.7	16.2	15.0	17.6	24.6
Suburban areas^c										
6,182 agencies; population 91,824,179:										
Total clearances	132,743	1,780	9,494	17,272	104,197	433,692	69,988	324,498	39,206	3,828
Percent under 18 years of age	14.1%	4.7	13.8	15.2	14.1	19.1	18.3	19.6	16.0	45.0

Note: See Notes, [tables 4.1.2003](#) and [4.19.2003](#). Beginning with publication of the 2003 data, the "rural" county designation was changed to "nonmetropolitan" county. For definitions of offenses, city and suburban areas, and nonmetropolitan counties, see [Appendix 3](#).

^aIncludes offenses cleared by exceptional means.

^bThe number of agency reports used in arson clearance rates is less than those used in compiling other offense clearance rates because arson is reported to the FBI separately from other offenses.

^cIncludes law enforcement agencies in cities with less than 50,000 inhabitants and county law enforcement agencies that are within a Metropolitan Statistical Area; excludes all metropolitan agencies associated with a principal city. The agencies associated with suburban areas also will appear in other groups within this table.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2003* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2004), pp. 264, 265. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.