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By offense and population group, 2008

(2008 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 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13,138 agencies; population 236,404,090: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 459,553 | 7,718 | 27,661 | 86,577 | 337,597 | 1,306,464 | 209,586 | 1,007,106 | 89,772 | 9,881 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 11.9% | 5.3 | 11.7 | 16.3 | 11.0 | 18.4 | 16.4 | 19.0 | 15.5 | 38.2 |
| Total cities | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9,634 cities; population 161,088,799: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 358,547 | 5,894 | 20,377 | 75,618 | 256,658 | 1,051,186 | 152,646 | 832,078 | 66,462 | 7,387 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 12.1% | 5.7 | 11.0 | 16.3 | 11.1 | 19.0 | 16.7 | 19.6 | 15.7 | 39.9 |
| Group I | | | | | | | | | | |
| 66 cities, 250,000 and over; population 41,128,661: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 137,148 | 2,765 | 7,060 | 34,832 | 92,491 | 253,056 | 41,459 | 186,688 | 24,909 | 2,091 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 10.9% | 6.2 | 8.9 | 15.6 | 9.4 | 17.0 | 16.2 | 17.4 | 15.2 | 35.7 |
| 8 cities, 1,000,000 and over; population 14,369,058: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 46,978 | 1,147 | 2,499 | 13,697 | 29,635 | 77,065 | 11,480 | 57,382 | 8,203 | 558 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 10.4% | 4.7 | 9.3 | 15.4 | 8.3 | 14.8 | 15.2 | 15.0 | 12.4 | 37.1 |
| 21 cities, 500,000 to 999,999; population 14,031,695: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 47,966 | 819 | 2,339 | 10,707 | 34,101 | 89,150 | 15,037 | 65,248 | 8,865 | 705 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 10.7% | 5.1 | 8.6 | 15.3 | 9.6 | 17.1 | 17.7 | 16.9 | 17.6 | 35.2 |
| 37 cities, 250,000 to 499,999; population 12,727,908: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 42,204 | 799 | 2,222 | 10,428 | 28,755 | 86,841 | 14,942 | 64,058 | 7,841 | 828 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 11.7% | 9.5 | 8.6 | 16.1 | 10.3 | 18.8 | 15.5 | 19.9 | 15.2 | 35.3 |
| Group II | | | | | | | | | | |
| 169 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 25,004,526: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 60,214 | 1,069 | 3,320 | 13,447 | 42,378 | 173,206 | 25,296 | 137,330 | 10,580 | 1,059 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 12.5% | 6.7 | 12.0 | 18.1 | 10.9 | 21.2 | 18.6 | 22.0 | 16.9 | 36.6 |
| Group III | | | | | | | | | | |
| 395 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 27,155,884: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 52,097 | 735 | 2,867 | 10,637 | 37,858 | 180,740 | 25,799 | 145,470 | 9,471 | 1,165 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 13.4% | 4.9 | 11.7 | 17.9 | 12.4 | 20.9 | 15.5 | 22.2 | 16.4 | 42.0 |
| Group IV | | | | | | | | | | |
| 679 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 23,277,840: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 38,224 | 502 | 2,316 | 7,062 | 28,344 | 148,742 | 18,005 | 124,022 | 6,715 | 904 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 13.0% | 4.0 | 13.0 | 16.7 | 12.3 | 20.7 | 17.8 | 21.4 | 17.2 | 44.7 |
| Group V | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1,495 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 23,600,543: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 36,647 | 441 | 2,464 | 5,857 | 27,885 | 160,214 | 21,387 | 131,012 | 7,815 | 1,055 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 12.5% | 5.0 | 11.7 | 14.1 | 12.4 | 18.3 | 16.7 | 18.7 | 15.4 | 45.1 |
| Group VI | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6,830 cities under 10,000; population 20,921,345: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 34,217 | 382 | 2,350 | 3,783 | 27,702 | 135,228 | 20,700 | 107,556 | 6,972 | 1,113 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 12.7% | 3.9 | 12.4 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 16.1 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 13.7 | 39.5 |

See notes at end of table.

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| 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 |
| Metropolitan counties | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1,417 agencies; population 52,838,171: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 76,081 | 1,332 | 5,037 | 9,688 | 60,024 | 192,275 | 38,667 | 136,684 | 16,924 | 1,790 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 12.3% | 4.1 | 13.1 | 17.0 | 11.6 | 16.7 | 16.6 | 16.9 | 15.2 | 37.1 |
| Nonmetropolitan counties | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2,087 agencies; population 22,477,120: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 24,925 | 492 | 2,247 | 1,271 | 20,915 | 63,003 | 18,273 | 38,344 | 6,386 | 704 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 8.9% | 3.0 | 14.8 | 7.8 | 8.4 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 13.1 | 14.1 | 23.9 |
| Suburban areas^c | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6,882 agencies; population 100,147,163: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total clearances | 139,617 | 2,055 | 9,025 | 20,336 | 108,201 | 461,595 | 74,124 | 357,170 | 30,301 | 3,627 |
| Percent under 18 years of age | 13.0% | 4.2 | 12.7 | 16.7 | 12.6 | 18.0 | 16.9 | 18.5 | 14.9 | 42.1 |

Note: These data were compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. On a monthly basis, law enforcement agencies report the number of offenses that become known to them in the following crime categories: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Arrest statistics are compiled as part of this monthly data collection effort. Participating law enforcement agencies are instructed to count one arrest each time a person is taken into custody, notified, or cited for criminal infractions other than traffic violations. Annual arrest figures do not measure the number of individuals taken into custody because one person may be arrested several times during the year for the same type of offense or for different offenses. A juvenile is counted as a person arrested when he/she commits an act that would be a criminal offense if committed by an adult.

An offense is "cleared by arrest" or solved for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is: (1) arrested; (2) charged with the commission of the offense; and (3) turned over to the court for prosecution. An offense is also counted as cleared by arrest if certain "exceptional" conditions pertain, including suicide of the offender; double murder; deathbed confession; offender killed by police or citizen; confession by offender already in custody; extradition denied; victim refuses to cooperate in prosecution; warrant is outstanding for felon but prior to arrest the offender dies of natural causes or as a result of an accident, or is killed in the commission of another offense; or, handling of a juvenile offender either orally or by written notice to parents in instances involving minor offenses where no referral to juvenile court is customarily made. 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, 2008*, Table 28 [Online]. Available: http://www2.fbi.gov/ucrcius2008/data/table_28.html [Jan. 22, 2010]. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.