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Arrests

By offense charged and age group, United States, 1999 and 2008

(7,892 agencies; 1999 estimated population 158,084,635; 2008 estimated population 175,783,510)

Offense charged	Total all ages			Under 18 years of age			18 years of age and older		
	1999	2008	Percent change	1999	2008	Percent change	1999	2008	Percent change
Total ^a	8,057,640	8,068,627	0.1%	1,389,081	1,171,365	-15.7%	6,668,559	6,897,262	3.4%
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	7,467	7,072	-5.3	735	670	-8.8	6,732	6,402	-4.9
Forcible rape	15,631	12,622	-19.3	2,539	1,848	-27.2	13,092	10,774	-17.7
Robbery	60,919	73,459	20.6	15,673	19,651	25.4	45,246	53,808	18.9
Aggravated assault	284,339	257,045	-9.6	39,939	31,650	-20.8	244,400	225,395	-7.8
Burglary	172,981	186,396	7.8	58,906	50,415	-14.4	114,075	135,981	19.2
Larceny-theft	716,261	739,223	3.2	228,980	189,259	-17.3	487,281	549,964	12.9
Motor vehicle theft	71,871	53,145	-26.1	25,799	12,910	-50.0	46,072	40,235	-12.7
Arson	9,690	8,407	-13.2	5,352	4,065	-24.0	4,338	4,342	0.1
Violent crime ^b	368,356	350,198	-4.9	58,886	53,819	-8.6	309,470	296,379	-4.2
Property crime ^c	970,803	987,171	1.7	319,037	256,649	-19.6	651,766	730,522	12.1
Other assaults	734,320	756,803	3.1	133,750	133,342	-0.3	600,570	623,461	3.8
Forgery and counterfeiting	62,823	51,578	-17.9	4,063	1,471	-63.8	58,760	50,107	-14.7
Fraud	210,254	146,610	-30.3	5,531	4,541	-17.9	204,723	142,069	-30.6
Embezzlement	11,402	13,614	19.4	1,129	777	-31.2	10,273	12,837	25.0
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing	66,460	67,288	1.2	16,364	12,607	-23.0	50,096	54,681	9.2
Vandalism	159,463	165,378	3.7	68,456	63,162	-7.7	91,007	102,216	12.3
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.	95,282	100,592	5.6	23,040	22,488	-2.4	72,242	78,104	8.1
Prostitution and commercialized vice	45,002	37,297	-17.1	705	849	20.4	44,297	36,448	-17.7
Sex offenses (except forcible rape and prostitution)	52,470	44,645	-14.9	9,616	7,849	-18.4	42,854	36,796	-14.1
Drug abuse violations	866,640	969,762	11.9	109,884	101,977	-7.2	756,756	867,785	14.7
Gambling	5,281	2,577	-51.2	488	241	-50.6	4,793	2,336	-51.3
Offenses against family and children	83,653	68,571	-18.0	5,194	3,202	-38.4	78,459	65,369	-16.7
Driving under the influence	848,736	848,408	(d)	12,261	8,943	-27.1	836,475	839,465	0.4
Liquor laws	383,318	331,327	-13.6	91,212	70,938	-22.2	292,106	260,389	-10.9
Drunkenness	426,594	414,282	-2.9	13,591	10,304	-24.2	413,003	403,978	-2.2
Disorderly conduct	345,045	333,395	-3.4	92,603	94,158	1.7	252,442	239,237	-5.2
Vagrancy	16,432	15,587	-5.1	1,366	973	-28.8	15,066	14,614	-3.0
All other offenses (except traffic)	2,131,686	2,242,048	5.2	248,285	201,579	-18.8	1,883,401	2,040,469	8.3
Suspicion (not included in totals)	4,508	987	-78.1	1,069	149	-86.1	3,439	838	-75.6
Curfew and loitering law violations	82,213	60,210	-26.8	82,213	60,210	-26.8	X	X	X
Runaways	91,407	61,286	-33.0	91,407	61,286	-33.0	X	X	X

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 nonnegligent 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. Two offense categories, "curfew and loitering" and "runaway," are tabulated only for juveniles. Violations of local juvenile acts other than runaway and curfew and loitering law violations are included in the "all other offenses" classification (U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook, 2004*, pp. 78-81 [Online]. Available: <http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/handbook/ucrhandbook04.pdf>). This table presents data from all law enforcement agencies submitting complete reports for 12 months in 1999 and 2008 (Source, Table 32, Data Declaration). Population figures are estimates calculated from U.S. Census Bureau data. For definitions of offenses, see [Appendix 3](#).

^aDoes not include suspicion.
^bViolent crimes are offenses of murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.
^cProperty crimes are offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson.
^dLess than 0.1%.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2008*, Table 32 [Online]. Available: http://www2.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2008/data/table_32.html [Oct. 28, 2009].