

Table 24
JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS, 1997-2002
 By Category, Offense, and Law Enforcement Disposition

Category, offense, and law enforcement disposition	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002		Percent change	
						Number	Percent	1997- 2002	2001- 2002
Total									
Total.....	82,748	76,104	68,503	63,889	63,993	61,539	100.0	-25.6	-3.8
Category and offense									
Violent offenses.....	21,143	19,791	19,013	16,739	17,567	15,865	25.8	-25.0	-9.7
Homicide.....	353	308	182	160	194	215	0.3	-39.1	10.8
Forcible rape.....	445	412	396	347	344	342	0.6	-23.1	-0.6
Robbery.....	7,984	6,821	5,712	4,965	4,747	4,500	7.3	-43.6	-5.2
Assault.....	12,220	12,105	12,582	11,138	12,182	10,670	17.3	-12.7	-12.4
Kidnapping.....	141	145	141	129	100	138	0.2	-2.1	38.0
Property offenses.....	42,287	38,308	32,849	31,139	29,740	28,472	46.3	-32.7	-4.3
Burglary.....	20,889	19,899	17,131	15,953	14,826	14,125	23.0	-32.4	-4.7
Theft.....	9,684	8,611	7,426	6,951	6,318	6,259	10.2	-35.4	-0.9
Motor vehicle theft.....	9,727	8,067	6,528	6,562	6,789	6,558	10.7	-32.6	-3.4
Forgery, checks, access cards....	919	844	855	762	817	656	1.1	-28.6	-19.7
Arson.....	1,068	887	909	911	990	874	1.4	-18.2	-11.7
Drug offenses.....	8,484	7,392	6,588	6,233	5,993	5,867	9.5	-30.8	-2.1
Narcotics.....	3,418	3,155	2,514	2,198	1,905	1,707	2.8	-50.1	-10.4
Marijuana.....	2,294	2,204	2,327	2,070	1,995	2,050	3.3	-10.6	2.8
Dangerous drugs.....	2,673	1,940	1,657	1,879	2,012	2,050	3.3	-23.3	1.9
Other.....	99	93	90	86	81	60	0.1	-39.4	-25.9
All other.....	10,834	10,613	10,053	9,778	10,693	11,335	18.4	4.6	6.0
Law enforcement disposition									
Handled within department.....	11,487	9,821	8,216	5,452	6,067	5,486	8.9	-52.2	-9.6
Turned over to other agency.....	543	650	472	369	580	609	1.0	12.2	5.0
Juvenile court/probation dept.....	70,718	65,633	59,815	58,068	57,346	55,444	90.1	-21.6	-3.3

Note: Percentages may not add to subtotals because of rounding.