

Table 28
ADULT MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 1997-2002
 By Offense and Law Enforcement Disposition

Offense and law enforcement disposition	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002		Percent change	
						Number	Percent	1997-2002	2001-2002
Total									
Total.....	879,059	869,612	838,901	786,060	771,510	770,774	100.0	-12.3	-0.1
Offense									
Assault and battery.....	58,368	58,314	56,462	58,293	61,722	62,421	8.1	6.9	1.1
Burglary ¹	-	-	-	-	147	213	0.0	-	44.9
Petty theft.....	61,761	55,167	48,723	43,504	41,845	42,392	5.5	-31.4	1.3
Checks and access cards.....	626	519	335	341	628	700	0.1	11.8	11.5
Drug offenses.....	109,151	105,803	104,664	106,921	107,070	108,832	14.1	-0.3	1.6
Indecent exposure.....	1,934	1,875	1,699	1,638	1,597	1,503	0.2	-22.3	-5.9
Annoying children.....	466	470	516	601	652	707	0.1	51.7	8.4
Obscene matter.....	52	49	47	55	52	70	0.0	34.6	34.6
Lewd conduct.....	5,715	5,486	4,638	3,225	3,004	3,241	0.4	-43.3	7.9
Prostitution.....	17,476	16,819	13,864	11,849	11,379	11,682	1.5	-33.2	2.7
Drunk.....	108,154	111,908	112,196	109,106	102,088	96,059	12.5	-11.2	-5.9
Liquor laws.....	23,009	25,920	24,951	21,066	22,438	23,293	3.0	1.2	3.8
Disorderly conduct.....	3,837	3,628	3,344	3,097	3,814	4,223	0.5	10.1	10.7
Disturbing the peace.....	7,013	6,915	6,816	6,297	5,888	5,470	0.7	-22.0	-7.1
Malicious mischief.....	9,142	8,793	8,124	8,296	7,525	7,221	0.9	-21.0	-4.0
Trespassing.....	16,937	15,425	13,763	13,141	14,193	14,774	1.9	-12.8	4.1
Weapons.....	6,805	4,889	3,857	3,203	3,277	3,407	0.4	-49.9	4.0
Driving under the influence.....	186,028	183,036	183,343	176,974	171,679	172,266	22.3	-7.4	0.3
Hit-and-run.....	4,456	4,618	4,633	5,448	5,987	6,201	0.8	39.2	3.6
Selected traffic violations.....	26,436	24,829	22,951	23,289	23,874	23,792	3.1	-10.0	-0.3
Gambling.....	1,165	863	646	547	354	448	0.1	-61.5	26.6
Nonsupport.....	235	213	355	241	178	236	0.0	0.4	32.6
All other.....	230,293	234,073	222,974	188,928	182,119	181,623	23.6	-21.1	-0.3
Law enforcement disposition									
Released.....	50,039	52,705	51,341	44,944	39,509	37,643	4.9	-24.8	-4.7
Turned over to other agency.....	4,351	3,379	4,241	3,986	5,270	6,327	0.8	45.4	20.1
Complaint sought.....	824,669	813,528	783,319	737,130	726,731	726,804	94.3	-11.9	0.0

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Dash indicates that data are not available.

¹The misdemeanor burglary category is not available for years prior to 2001.