

Table 28
ADULT MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 2012-2017
 By Offense and Law Enforcement Disposition

Offense and law enforcement disposition	2012	2013	2014 ^a	2015	2016	2017		Percent change	
						Number	Percent	2012-2017	2016-2017
Total									
Total.....	724,337	696,670	713,715	793,522	768,812	754,183	100.0	4.1	-1.9
Offense									
Assault and battery.....	67,264	66,267	67,779	71,980	71,978	72,145	9.6	7.3	0.2
Burglary.....	553	567	3,048	18,125	15,926	14,280	1.9	2,482.3	-10.3
Petty theft.....	50,156	48,635	48,761	46,612	37,472	30,791	4.1	-38.6	-17.8
Checks and access cards.....	401	409	468	1,110	1,050	1,073	0.1	167.6	2.2
Drug offenses.....	72,404	74,998	87,031	157,894	176,023	180,458	23.9	149.2	2.5
Indecent exposure.....	1,273	1,219	1,288	1,426	1,386	1,455	0.2	14.3	5.0
Annoying children.....	567	543	475	473	441	428	0.1	-24.5	-2.9
Obscene matter.....	40	50	60	52	62	47	0.0	-	-24.2
Lewd conduct.....	1,702	1,312	1,367	1,249	1,259	1,117	0.1	-34.4	-11.3
Prostitution.....	9,962	9,668	8,648	7,679	7,236	6,751	0.9	-32.2	-6.7
Drunk.....	93,542	89,184	88,509	77,750	69,305	63,047	8.4	-32.6	-9.0
Liquor laws.....	12,495	11,828	13,643	10,667	7,707	6,068	0.8	-51.4	-21.3
Disorderly conduct.....	5,943	7,021	7,942	7,384	6,497	6,788	0.9	14.2	4.5
Disturbing the peace.....	3,538	3,150	3,352	2,776	2,662	2,364	0.3	-33.2	-11.2
Vandalism.....	6,529	6,645	6,766	7,498	7,668	7,472	1.0	14.4	-2.6
Trespassing.....	13,269	14,789	16,401	21,204	23,139	25,271	3.4	90.5	9.2
Weapons.....	4,265	4,312	4,037	4,636	4,786	4,941	0.7	15.8	3.2
Driving under the influence.....	169,606	156,799	150,920	137,189	125,501	118,927	15.8	-29.9	-5.2
Hit-and-run.....	4,955	4,788	5,090	5,125	5,466	5,501	0.7	11.0	0.6
Selected traffic violations.....	14,115	12,411	12,575	11,927	9,550	7,721	1.0	-45.3	-19.2
Gambling.....	421	378	270	233	256	271	0.0	-35.6	5.9
Nonsupport.....	50	47	46	62	43	46	0.0	-8.0	7.0
All other.....	191,287	181,650	185,239	200,471	193,399	197,221	26.2	3.1	2.0
Law enforcement disposition									
Released.....	38,459	38,039	36,945	36,242	32,499	30,742	4.1	-20.1	-5.4
Turned over to other agency....	6,977	6,400	6,705	8,078	9,245	9,341	1.2	33.9	1.0
Complaint sought.....	678,901	652,231	670,065	749,202	727,068	714,100	94.7	5.2	-1.8

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

Dash indicates that a percent change is not calculated when the base number is less than 50.

^a In November 2014, California voters passed Proposition 47 which reduced some felony offenses to misdemeanors. These changes affected the offenses reported. Caution should be used when comparing felony and misdemeanor arrest data to prior years. For additional information, see Appendix 1, Data Characteristics and Known Limitations and Appendix 3, Arrest Offense Codes.