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**JUVENILE MISDEMEANOR AND STATUS OFFENSE ARRESTS, 2012-2017**  
 By Level of Offense, Offense, and Law Enforcement Disposition

Offense and law enforcement disposition	2012	2013	2014 <sup>a</sup>	2015	2016	2017		Percent change	
						Number	Percent	2012-2017	2016-2017
Total									
Total.....	84,352	66,125	59,172	50,542	43,087	36,876	100.0	-56.3	-14.4
Offense									
Assault and battery.....	13,169	11,209	10,343	9,753	8,990	8,555	23.2	-35.0	-4.8
Burglary.....	183	156	393	2,059	1,809	1,407	3.8	668.9	-22.2
Petty theft.....	15,118	11,500	9,808	7,265	5,632	4,040	11.0	-73.3	-28.3
Checks and access cards.....	37	34	17	46	46	42	0.1	-	-
Drug offenses.....	6,866	5,898	5,438	5,179	4,979	3,191	8.7	-53.5	-35.9
Indecent exposure.....	67	50	44	41	41	42	0.1	-37.3	-
Annoying children.....	152	153	130	133	98	83	0.2	-45.4	-15.3
Obscene matter.....	24	50	74	71	71	83	0.2	-	16.9
Lewd conduct.....	85	84	106	86	113	113	0.3	32.9	0.0
Prostitution.....	211	195	174	141	102	14	0.0	-93.4	-86.3
Drunk.....	2,322	1,699	1,552	1,110	884	705	1.9	-69.6	-20.2
Liquor laws.....	2,951	2,284	2,190	1,659	1,219	1,140	3.1	-61.4	-6.5
Disorderly conduct.....	232	175	173	125	101	107	0.3	-53.9	5.9
Disturbing the peace.....	5,483	4,079	2,978	1,927	1,260	1,198	3.2	-78.2	-4.9
Vandalism.....	4,179	3,277	2,788	2,334	1,978	1,655	4.5	-60.4	-16.3
Trespassing.....	2,074	1,512	1,296	1,243	1,069	988	2.7	-52.4	-7.6
Weapons.....	1,411	1,366	1,279	1,324	1,396	1,276	3.5	-9.6	-8.6
Driving under the influence.....	710	570	496	488	462	427	1.2	-39.9	-7.6
Hit-and-run.....	228	199	224	206	222	212	0.6	-7.0	-4.5
Selected traffic violations.....	280	236	262	254	253	294	0.8	5.0	16.2
Joy riding.....	41	42	26	29	51	42	0.1	-	-17.6
Gambling.....	27	10	15	20	3	11	0.0	-	-
Glue sniffing.....	139	61	54	57	55	30	0.1	-78.4	-45.5
All other.....	11,971	9,476	8,431	6,298	4,922	4,391	11.9	-63.3	-10.8
Status offenses <sup>1</sup> .....	16,392	11,810	10,881	8,694	7,331	6,830	18.5	-58.3	-6.8
Law enforcement disposition									
Released.....	20,609	16,218	14,135	11,624	10,547	8,859	24.0	-57.0	-16.0
Turned over to other agency.....	938	738	604	600	593	513	1.4	-45.3	-13.5
Complaint sought.....	62,805	49,169	44,433	38,318	31,947	27,504	74.6	-56.2	-13.9

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.

<sup>a</sup> 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 Data Limitations and Appendix 3, Arrest Offense Codes.

<sup>1</sup> Status offenses include truancy, incorrigibility, running away, and curfew violations. These offenses can only be committed or engaged in by a juvenile.