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**The NORML Almanac of Marijuana Arrest Statistics**

## **North Carolina Marijuana Arrests**

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## Introduction

The NORML Almanac of Marijuana Arrest Statistics provides detailed data on the distribution and composition of marijuana arrests to supplement the analysis and data contained in NORML's 2005 report "Crimes of Indiscretion: Marijuana Arrests in the United States."

The data used for these tables were produced by the Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) program of the Department of Justice - Federal Bureau of Investigation. Local police agencies report data to state agencies, which compile and report it to the national program office. Some local agencies do not participate in the program, and neither do some states. Florida, Illinois, and Washington D.C. did not report data to the UCR program in 2002, though some Illinois data was obtained directly from the state for this report.

This report relies on two UCR data sets. UCR County-Level Detailed Arrest and Offense Data have been used to generate state and county level arrest totals and rates, generally for the years 1995 to 2002. County-level data are reported along with codes that indicate 9 categories of population sizes. Generally the largest arrest rates reported are for small jurisdictions with significant numbers of arrests of non-residents, such as in a popular vacation area.

The UCR Age, Sex, and Race file has been used along with US Census population data to produce arrest rates by demographic category for marijuana possession and sales arrests in 2002. The four categories used for race-based data in the UCR program are White, Black, Indian (Native American), and Asian. The race-based data are also subdivided by general age group: adult, juvenile, and all. Age/sex data are presented in two formats. The primary presentation

utilizes five year age categories for males, females, and both. Age/sex data are also presented using single year categories for age 15 to age 24 to highlight the impact of marijuana arrests on these specific age groups.

All arrest rates reported in these tables are per 100,000 population. Some arrests rates may vary due to differences in the data sets; for example the arrest rate for possession derived from the county level file may be 200 while the same arrest rate derived from the age, sex and race file may be 192. Data reported in these tables may also differ from reports from state criminal justice agencies; UCR files are frequently updated at the state level.

State sections include the following additional data: marijuana arrests as a percentage of drug arrests, marijuana arrests as a percentage of all arrests, the 2002 Census population, 2002 reporting coverage for demographic data, and the maximum state penalties for possession or sale of 1 ounce of marijuana. Marijuana arrests as a percentage of all drug arrests indicate the resources marijuana offenses take away from other drug control efforts. Marijuana arrests as a percentage of all arrests provide an index of the cost of marijuana enforcement in a state; the percentage of all arrests indicates a general percentage of overall criminal justice costs that can be attributed to marijuana. The maximum penalties indicate the potential severity of punishment for marijuana offenses; these data also help characterize the potential cost of state marijuana laws under conditions of maximum enforcement.

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## Key to Almanac Tables

### Marijuana Arrests 1995 – 2002

**Source:** Uniform Crime Reporting Program Data: County-level Detailed Arrest and Offense Data. [Computer File]

**All:** Both adults and juveniles.

**Adults:** Age 18 and older.

**Juvenile:** Under age 18.

**Arrests:** Total marijuana arrests, possession and sales arrests combined.

**Rate:** The arrest rate per 100,000 for all marijuana offenses is calculated by dividing the number of arrests by the coverage population and multiplying the result by 100,000.

**Pct of Drug Arrests:** The percent of drug arrests represented by marijuana arrests. This figure is calculated by dividing the number of marijuana arrests by the number of all arrests for drug offenses.

**Pct of All Arrests:** The percentage of all arrests represented by marijuana arrests. This figure is calculated by dividing the number of marijuana arrests by the number of arrests for all criminal offenses.

### Marijuana Sales/Possession Arrests – 2002

**Source:** Uniform Crime Reporting Program Data: Arrests by Age, Sex, and Race. [Computer File]

**Population:** The total population estimated by the U.S. Census.

**Coverage:** The percentage of the total population represented by the coverage

population. This figure is calculated by dividing the coverage population by the census population for a region.

**Poss. Max:** The maximum penalty for possession of 1 ounce of marijuana.

**Sales. Max:** The maximum penalty for sales of one ounce of marijuana.

**Arrest Rate:** The arrest rate per 100,000 population, calculated by dividing the number of arrests by the population served by the arresting police agencies and multiplying the result by 100,000.

**Adults:** Individuals age 18 and older.

**Juveniles:** Individuals under the age of 18.

**Rate:** The demographic composition of coverage populations has been estimated using U.S. Census data and used to calculate arrest rates for marijuana offenses per 100,000 population for specific demographic groups.

**Arrest Pct.:** The percentage of arrests for the offense accounted for by the demographic group.

**Pop. Pct.:** The estimated percentage of the regional population accounted for by the demographic group.

**Ratio:** The ratio produced by dividing Arrest Pct by Pop. Pct. by the population percentage. A group that accounts for equal shares of marijuana possession arrests and the general population will have a ratio of 1.0.

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## Marijuana Arrests by County 1998 – 2002

**Source:** Uniform Crime Reporting Program Data: County-level Detailed Arrest and Offense Data. [Computer File]

**Population Size:** Nine categories are used to distinguish counties of similar population size. Special circumstances are more likely to disproportionately affect arrest rates in counties with smaller resident populations, such as high numbers of vacation visitors for beach and mountain resort areas.

**Arrests:** Total marijuana arrests, possession and sales arrests combined.

**Arrest Rates:** The arrest rate per 100,000 for all marijuana offenses is calculated by dividing the number of arrests by the coverage population and multiplying the result by 100,000.

**Rank (Rates):** Ranking among all the counties in the State, from highest (1) to lowest.

### Population Size Codes

Size 1	Population	< 2,500		
Size 2	Population	2,500	to	9,999
Size 3	Population	10,000	to	24,999
Size 4	Population	25,000	to	49,999
Size 5	Population	50,000	to	99,999
Size 6	Population	100,000	to	249,999
Size 7	Population	250,000	to	499,999
Size 8	Population	500,000	to	999,999
Size 9	Population	1,000,000 +		

## Notes on the Calculation of Age and Race-Specific Arrest Rates at the County, State, and National Level

### 1. County-level Totals and Arrest Rates.

Local agency data from the UCR Age, Sex, and Race file are combined to produce county-level totals and arrest rates for the overall population. While the agency-level file provides data on the number of blacks arrested by each agency, for example, it does not provide data on the local black population. However calculation of the arrest rate for blacks can take place at the county level through the use of Census Bureau data on county-level populations.

### 2. State, and National Level Totals and Arrest Rates.

County level data are combined to produce state, and national-level totals of coverage populations and arrests by offense, providing a basis for calculating the arrest rate for the overall coverage population.

### 3. Demographic-based Arrest Rates.

The coverage population for Blacks in each region, for example, can be estimated using Census data on the overall Black population of the region. If Blacks comprise 65% of the population of a county, for example, these tables are based on the premise that Blacks also comprise 65% of the coverage population reported in the UCR data for that county. The estimation of the Black population within the overall coverage population provides a basis for calculating the arrest rates for Blacks in the region.

### 4. Coverage Indicators.

A comparison of the coverage population of the reporting local agencies and the overall census population produces a coverage indicator indicating the extent the reported data represents a particular region and its diversity.

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### North Carolina Marijuana Arrests

		<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
All	Arrests	15,554	18,441	23,008	22,589	22,392	23,718	20,794	23,061
All	Rate	216.18	251.89	309.87	299.35	292.67	294.66	254.01	277.17
All	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	47.04%	50.99%	54.82%	53.12%	55.87%	58.66%	52.93%	54.87%
All	Pct. Of All Arrests	3.14%	3.58%	4.35%	4.24%	4.31%	4.53%	4.18%	4.33%
Adult	Arrests	13,117	15,491	19,549	19,442	19,195	20,740	17,977	20,288
Adult	Rate	182.31	211.60	263.29	257.65	250.88	257.66	219.60	243.84
Adult	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	39.67%	42.84%	46.58%	45.72%	47.89%	51.29%	45.76%	48.27%
Adult	Pct. Of All Arrests	2.65%	3.01%	3.69%	3.65%	3.69%	3.96%	3.61%	3.81%
Juvenile	Arrests	2,426	2,939	3,453	3,142	3,191	2,962	2,813	2,759
Juvenile	Rate	33.72	40.14	46.51	41.64	41.71	36.80	34.36	33.16
Juvenile	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	7.34%	8.13%	8.23%	7.39%	7.96%	7.33%	7.16%	6.56%
Juvenile	Pct. Of All Arrests	0.49%	0.57%	0.65%	0.59%	0.61%	0.57%	0.57%	0.52%

### North Carolina Marijuana Possession Arrests

		<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
All	Arrests	13,460	16,290	20,825	20,554	19,906	21,179	18,234	20,531
All	Rate	187.07	222.51	280.47	272.38	260.18	263.12	222.74	246.76
All	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	40.71%	45.05%	49.62%	48.33%	49.66%	52.38%	46.41%	48.85%
All	Pct. Of All Arrests	2.72%	3.16%	3.93%	3.86%	3.83%	4.04%	3.66%	3.85%
Adult	Arrests	11,304	13,607	17,625	17,619	16,948	18,461	15,666	17,967
Adult	Rate	157.11	185.86	237.37	233.49	221.51	229.35	191.37	215.95
Adult	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	34.19%	37.63%	41.99%	41.43%	42.28%	45.66%	39.88%	42.75%
Adult	Pct. Of All Arrests	2.28%	2.64%	3.33%	3.31%	3.26%	3.52%	3.15%	3.37%
Juvenile	Arrests	2,149	2,674	3,195	2,934	2,953	2,709	2,566	2,554
Juvenile	Rate	29.87	36.52	43.03	38.88	38.60	33.66	31.35	30.70
Juvenile	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	6.50%	7.39%	7.61%	6.90%	7.37%	6.70%	6.53%	6.08%
Juvenile	Pct. Of All Arrests	0.43%	0.52%	0.60%	0.55%	0.57%	0.52%	0.52%	0.48%

### North Carolina Marijuana Sales Arrests

		<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
All	Arrests	2,094	2,151	2,183	2,035	2,486	2,539	2,560	2,530
All	Rate	29.10	29.38	29.40	26.97	32.49	31.54	31.27	30.41
All	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	6.33%	5.95%	5.20%	4.79%	6.20%	6.28%	6.52%	6.02%
All	Pct. Of All Arrests	0.42%	0.42%	0.41%	0.38%	0.48%	0.48%	0.51%	0.47%
Adult	Arrests	1,813	1,884	1,924	1,823	2,247	2,279	2,311	2,321
Adult	Rate	25.20	25.73	25.91	24.16	29.37	28.31	28.23	27.90
Adult	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	5.48%	5.21%	4.58%	4.29%	5.61%	5.64%	5.88%	5.52%
Adult	Pct. Of All Arrests	0.37%	0.37%	0.36%	0.34%	0.43%	0.43%	0.46%	0.44%
Juvenile	Arrests	277	265	258	208	238	253	247	205
Juvenile	Rate	3.85	3.62	3.47	2.76	3.11	3.14	3.02	2.46
Juvenile	Pct. Of Drug Arrests	0.84%	0.73%	0.61%	0.49%	0.59%	0.63%	0.63%	0.49%
Juvenile	Pct. Of All Arrests	0.06%	0.05%	0.05%	0.04%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.04%

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## North Carolina Marijuana Possession Arrests - 2002

<b>Population</b>	8,320,146		<b>Arrest Rate</b>		<b>Adults</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	
<b>Coverage</b>	98.18%		<b>2000</b>	254.91	<b>Rate</b>	191.11	436.93	182.75	75.45	
<b>Poss. Max.</b>	4	months	<b>2001</b>	224.76	<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	50.80%	35.53%	0.83%	0.42%	
<b>Sales Max.</b>	72	months	<b>2002</b>	240.93	<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	57.22%	15.30%	0.90%	1.18%	
					<b>Ratio</b>	0.89	2.32	0.92	0.36	
<b>All</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Juveniles</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	
<b>Rate</b>	213.69	558.74	221.59	84.94	<b>Rate</b>	115.27	151.96	90.46	49.99	
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	58.96%	39.66%	0.97%	0.51%	<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	8.16%	4.13%	0.14%	0.09%	
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	74.26%	21.85%	1.28%	1.62%	<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	17.04%	6.54%	0.38%	0.44%	
<b>Ratio</b>	0.79	1.82	0.76	0.31	<b>Ratio</b>	0.48	0.63	0.37	0.20	
<b>Total</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	964.86	987.27	540.74	310.58	226.84	157.32	95.64	41.48	22.72	10.35
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	26.22%	29.56%	15.56%	9.87%	7.27%	5.11%	2.87%	1.12%	0.50%	0.18%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	6.55%	7.21%	6.93%	7.66%	7.72%	7.83%	7.22%	6.49%	5.34%	4.14%
<b>Ratio</b>	4.00	4.10	2.25	1.29	0.94	0.65	0.40	0.17	0.09	0.04
<b>Male</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	1,603.00	1,636.86	886.53	503.05	370.52	252.96	162.18	70.79	43.83	19.44
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	22.50%	25.74%	13.13%	8.09%	5.93%	4.05%	2.37%	0.92%	0.47%	0.16%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	3.38%	3.79%	3.57%	3.88%	3.86%	3.86%	3.52%	3.15%	2.57%	1.95%
<b>Ratio</b>	6.66	6.79	3.68	2.09	1.54	1.05	0.67	0.29	0.18	0.08
<b>Female</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	283.11	269.05	174.20	113.29	83.58	64.43	32.41	13.90	3.10	2.24
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	3.72%	3.83%	2.43%	1.78%	1.34%	1.06%	0.50%	0.19%	0.04%	0.02%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	3.17%	3.43%	3.37%	3.78%	3.87%	3.97%	3.70%	3.35%	2.77%	2.19%
<b>Ratio</b>	1.17	1.12	0.72	0.47	0.35	0.27	0.14	0.06	0.01	0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	282.48	716.68	1,022.27	1,430.56	1,411.63	1,221.60	1,055.75	1,002.04	896.77	767.65
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	1.59%	3.96%	5.42%	7.54%	7.72%	6.99%	6.37%	6.25%	5.41%	4.54%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	1.35%	1.33%	1.28%	1.27%	1.32%	1.38%	1.45%	1.50%	1.45%	1.43%
<b>Ratio</b>	1.17	2.97	4.24	5.94	5.86	5.07	4.38	4.16	3.72	3.19
<b>Male</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	460.80	1,211.78	1,702.56	2,339.42	2,329.00	2,041.56	1,756.76	1,657.20	1,479.56	1,267.56
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	1.32%	3.41%	4.66%	6.40%	6.71%	6.09%	5.52%	5.48%	4.71%	3.95%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	0.69%	0.68%	0.66%	0.66%	0.69%	0.72%	0.76%	0.80%	0.77%	0.75%
<b>Ratio</b>	1.91	5.03	7.07	9.71	9.67	8.47	7.29	6.88	6.14	5.26
<b>Female</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	96.25	200.98	296.94	449.36	390.74	328.53	294.95	263.43	247.45	212.11
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	0.26%	0.54%	0.76%	1.14%	1.01%	0.90%	0.85%	0.77%	0.71%	0.59%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	0.66%	0.65%	0.62%	0.61%	0.62%	0.66%	0.70%	0.71%	0.69%	0.68%
<b>Ratio</b>	0.40	0.83	1.23	1.87	1.62	1.36	1.22	1.09	1.03	0.88

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<b>Population</b>	8,320,146		<b>Arrest Rate</b>		<b>Adults</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	
<b>Coverage</b>	98.18%		<b>2000</b>	31.50	<b>Rate</b>	16.40	81.82	20.09	6.79	
<b>Poss. Max.</b>	4	months	<b>2001</b>	31.82	<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	36.71%	53.95%	0.76%	0.32%	
<b>Sales Max.</b>	72	months	<b>2002</b>	30.42	<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	57.22%	15.30%	0.90%	1.18%	
					<b>Ratio</b>	0.64	3.53	0.84	0.27	
<b>All</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Juveniles</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Indian</b>	<b>Asian</b>	
<b>Rate</b>	19.51	107.19	25.83	8.29	<b>Rate</b>	5.96	22.46	6.46	2.78	
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	40.06%	58.78%	0.85%	0.36%	<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	3.34%	4.83%	0.08%	0.04%	
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	74.26%	21.85%	1.28%	1.62%	<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	17.04%	6.54%	0.38%	0.44%	
<b>Ratio</b>	0.54	2.69	0.66	0.22	<b>Ratio</b>	0.20	0.74	0.21	0.09	
<b>Total</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	107.71	137.96	79.80	41.24	20.45	15.64	11.36	7.35	2.29	3.25
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	23.18%	32.72%	18.19%	10.38%	5.19%	4.02%	2.70%	1.57%	0.40%	0.44%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	6.55%	7.21%	6.93%	7.66%	7.72%	7.83%	7.22%	6.49%	5.34%	4.14%
<b>Ratio</b>	3.54	4.54	2.62	1.36	0.67	0.51	0.37	0.24	0.07	0.11
<b>Male</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	185.71	230.74	131.06	70.42	30.16	25.07	19.84	10.89	3.33	6.27
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	20.64%	28.73%	15.37%	8.97%	3.82%	3.18%	2.29%	1.13%	0.28%	0.40%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	3.38%	3.79%	3.57%	3.88%	3.86%	3.86%	3.52%	3.15%	2.57%	1.95%
<b>Ratio</b>	6.11	7.58	4.31	2.31	0.99	0.82	0.65	0.36	0.11	0.21
<b>Female</b>	<b>Age 15-19</b>	<b>Age 20-24</b>	<b>Age 25-29</b>	<b>Age 30-34</b>	<b>Age 35-39</b>	<b>Age 40-44</b>	<b>Age 45-59</b>	<b>Age 50-54</b>	<b>Age 55-59</b>	<b>Age 60-64</b>
<b>Rate</b>	24.37	35.37	25.46	11.33	10.76	6.47	3.31	4.02	1.33	0.56
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	2.54%	3.98%	2.82%	1.41%	1.37%	0.85%	0.40%	0.44%	0.12%	0.04%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	3.17%	3.43%	3.37%	3.78%	3.87%	3.97%	3.70%	3.35%	2.77%	2.19%
<b>Ratio</b>	0.80	1.16	0.84	0.37	0.35	0.21	0.11	0.13	0.04	0.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	18.11	52.44	105.39	179.42	188.65	164.36	146.49	137.68	131.36	110.77
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	0.80%	2.29%	4.43%	7.48%	8.17%	7.44%	7.00%	6.80%	6.28%	5.19%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	1.35%	1.33%	1.28%	1.27%	1.32%	1.38%	1.45%	1.50%	1.45%	1.43%
<b>Ratio</b>	0.60	1.72	3.46	5.90	6.20	5.40	4.82	4.53	4.32	3.64
<b>Male</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	30.13	90.16	187.52	312.17	312.30	279.48	229.71	235.21	230.08	181.08
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	0.68%	2.01%	4.06%	6.76%	7.12%	6.60%	5.71%	6.16%	5.79%	4.47%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	0.69%	0.68%	0.66%	0.66%	0.69%	0.72%	0.76%	0.80%	0.77%	0.75%
<b>Ratio</b>	0.99	2.96	6.16	10.26	10.27	9.19	7.55	7.73	7.56	5.95
<b>Female</b>	<b>Age 15</b>	<b>Age 16</b>	<b>Age 17</b>	<b>Age 18</b>	<b>Age 19</b>	<b>Age 20</b>	<b>Age 21</b>	<b>Age 22</b>	<b>Age 23</b>	<b>Age 24</b>
<b>Rate</b>	5.55	13.15	17.82	36.11	51.05	38.98	56.18	27.73	21.36	32.63
<b>Arrest Pct.</b>	0.12%	0.28%	0.36%	0.72%	1.05%	0.85%	1.29%	0.64%	0.48%	0.72%
<b>Pop. Pct.</b>	0.66%	0.65%	0.62%	0.61%	0.62%	0.66%	0.70%	0.71%	0.69%	0.68%
<b>Ratio</b>	0.18	0.43	0.59	1.19	1.68	1.28	1.85	0.91	0.70	1.07

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		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002
Alamance	6	364	359	332	248	251	305.28	299.16	256.70	188.54	187.75	56
Alexander	4	29	36	57	22	52	93.07	113.52	169.63	64.37	149.71	70
Alleghany	3	28	23	5	12	37	282.40	230.51	46.83	110.51	335.27	19
Anson	4	37	60	65	56	65	149.64	243.00	257.17	217.86	248.80	40
Ashe	4	32	29	31	19	39	131.45	119.06	127.13	76.62	154.74	69
Avery	3	36	29	19	9	18	226.29	181.70	110.87	51.64	101.61	83
Beaufort	4	122	164	150	138	103	271.44	363.27	333.64	301.82	221.64	46
Bertie	3	6	4	4	3	6	28.88	19.28	20.23	14.92	29.36	100
Bladen	4	194	113	118	71	89	623.73	362.85	365.57	216.29	266.75	32
Brunswick	5	80	92	95	94	232	119.38	132.64	129.88	126.37	306.86	26
Buncombe	6	524	652	756	788	837	267.45	330.02	366.40	375.52	392.46	12
Burke	5	130	125	164	182	203	157.68	150.16	186.26	203.24	223.05	45
Cabarrus	6	581	682	629	660	640	492.83	560.32	449.02	463.27	442.00	10
Caldwell	5	156	207	201	200	157	202.20	267.48	258.72	253.18	195.55	55
Camden	2	7	5	1	10	23	103.09	71.71	14.52	142.82	323.17	22
Carteret	5	140	151	137	99	77	230.65	248.01	230.71	163.93	125.45	77
Caswell	3	38	50	49	38	71	172.40	222.01	208.50	158.99	292.28	28
Catawba	6	285	379	378	285	247	214.61	281.32	265.34	196.69	167.73	62
Chatham	5	86	65	49	41	27	188.63	141.20	99.33	81.76	52.97	93
Cherokee	4	19	10	39	14	20	83.90	43.34	160.51	56.65	79.63	86
Chowan	3	26	39	25	40	28	180.63	271.08	172.11	270.76	186.48	58
Clay	2	4	2	6	9	4	47.47	23.00	68.38	100.85	44.10	95
Cleveland	6	130	164	98	54	62	139.16	174.40	101.16	54.81	61.92	89
Columbus	5	55	81	94	55	62	103.11	151.80	171.69	98.78	109.56	81
Craven	5	258	305	235	215	284	290.57	341.37	257.01	231.20	300.49	27
Cumberland	7	466	432	385	252	503	161.43	149.71	127.08	81.79	160.62	67
Currituck	3	70	69	51	25	7	402.35	380.06	280.37	135.14	37.23	99
Dare	4	267	295	327	339	374	942.50	1,005.04	1,091.20	1,112.31	1,207.39	1
Davidson	6	669	901	584	591	675	473.04	629.50	399.77	397.80	447.03	9
Davie	4	72	93	96	77	94	227.09	285.81	275.58	217.34	261.05	35
Duplin	5	72	46	52	20	29	164.18	105.54	106.01	40.09	57.20	91
Durham	6	418	452	593	545	522	206.01	220.26	267.80	242.00	228.06	43
Edgecombe	4	166	88	123	112	126	474.92	224.64	318.74	285.38	315.89	24
Forsyth	7	1,419	683	1,000	972	1,137	488.53	234.16	327.40	312.91	360.14	14
Franklin	4	43	70	62	56	42	97.17	154.32	131.19	116.51	85.98	84
Gaston	6	1,293	1,720	744	530	512	693.83	920.81	392.04	274.61	261.01	36
Gates	3	14	10	14	10	18	137.69	97.95	133.13	93.50	165.59	65
Graham	2	2	1	13	0	26	25.70	12.90	162.64	0.00	314.69	25
Granville	5	56	64	79	64	112	130.76	147.12	162.89	129.76	223.42	44
Greene	3	5	3	20	10	10	27.29	16.16	105.41	51.82	50.99	94
Guilford	7	2,547	2,616	2,673	2,619	2,744	654.00	662.62	630.31	607.24	625.99	3
Halifax	5	149	128	172	158	193	258.54	223.73	299.81	270.80	325.46	21
Harnett	5	446	484	189	282	372	544.34	579.43	207.64	304.62	395.37	11
Haywood	5	52	55	60	84	71	100.06	105.50	111.04	152.86	127.12	76
Henderson	5	166	116	173	178	308	205.86	141.57	194.01	196.28	334.17	20
Hertford	3	24	28	14	38	39	105.51	123.91	61.94	165.32	166.94	64



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Hoke	4	19	80	21	14	21	63.60	259.37	62.41	40.91	60.38	90
Hyde	2	6	9	1	7	21	109.63	158.17	17.16	118.14	348.72	17
Iredell	6	695	892	758	819	770	628.07	776.92	617.97	656.53	607.32	4
Jackson	4	64	76	50	44	121	212.54	248.14	150.96	130.62	353.44	15
Johnston	6	251	168	267	264	289	242.35	155.48	218.60	212.52	228.91	42
Jones	3	9	5	6	7	4	98.65	52.15	57.80	66.30	37.28	98
Lee	5	190	170	71	75	130	385.96	339.93	144.78	150.38	256.46	37
Lenoir	5	193	150	244	147	161	320.73	251.78	410.33	243.07	261.94	34
Lincoln	5	49	37	53	40	29	84.28	62.82	83.10	61.67	43.99	96
McDowell	4	129	126	91	118	94	324.94	310.34	215.89	275.26	215.75	49
Macon	4	26	30	31	23	37	92.66	104.42	103.99	75.86	120.08	80
Madison	3	37	10	20	10	25	196.80	52.59	101.86	50.08	123.18	78
Martin	4	22	17	19	23	15	82.23	64.02	74.24	88.37	56.70	92
Mecklenburg	8	1,598	1,771	2,098	1,710	1,827	256.45	276.82	301.67	241.77	254.16	38
Mitchell	3	41	37	24	23	46	272.21	246.08	152.99	144.16	283.69	30
Montgomery	4	21	26	43	16	43	85.10	106.50	160.32	58.66	155.10	68
Moore	5	178	120	179	153	140	249.59	165.79	239.40	201.21	181.15	61
Nash	6	375	463	284	281	310	330.05	417.21	269.35	262.05	284.43	29
New Hanover	6	651	469	307	406	446	433.86	308.75	191.51	249.03	269.16	31
Northampton	3	14	13	10	21	19	64.90	60.53	45.28	93.49	83.23	85
Onslow	6	329	299	452	409	385	226.36	207.17	301.21	267.99	248.21	41
Orange	6	44	58	79	123	177	40.16	52.27	66.15	101.27	143.38	72
Pamlico	3	3	3	33	65	22	24.26	23.97	255.14	494.15	164.56	66
Pasquotank	4	130	104	156	163	122	373.76	289.18	447.03	459.27	338.22	18
Pender	4	62	90	71	55	79	160.46	224.69	171.68	130.77	184.80	59
Perquimans	3	5	6	10	16	5	44.18	52.46	87.97	138.40	42.55	97
Person	4	33	68	62	13	76	97.68	199.34	174.04	35.88	206.40	50
Pitt	6	286	231	245	243	260	231.66	179.53	182.86	178.33	187.74	57
Polk	3	6	42	14	14	20	35.73	246.07	76.39	75.11	105.57	82
Randolph	6	185	203	139	160	163	152.29	165.09	106.33	120.35	120.63	79
Richmond	4	79	62	88	71	72	168.48	132.31	188.99	149.93	149.59	71
Robeson	6	267	238	195	145	214	229.94	203.10	157.85	115.41	167.59	63
Rockingham	5	252	224	191	296	188	275.26	245.39	207.77	316.60	197.85	53
Rowan	6	244	310	387	346	334	194.36	243.63	318.99	280.42	266.34	33
Rutherford	5	300	109	112	128	130	490.90	176.71	178.06	200.10	199.95	52
Sampson	5	252	146	93	118	136	478.75	274.63	154.59	192.86	218.70	47
Scotland	4	34	35	31	27	51	93.90	96.43	86.58	74.15	137.81	74
Stanly	5	120	62	52	70	47	212.45	109.04	89.50	118.47	78.26	87
Stokes	4	141	148	211	185	241	324.88	337.21	465.36	401.19	514.23	5
Surry	5	144	89	72	92	150	213.08	130.92	100.99	126.89	203.56	51
Swain	3	50	43	50	41	47	403.62	344.83	385.56	310.87	350.62	16
Transylvania	4	41	64	30	24	42	144.70	221.65	102.27	80.45	138.52	73
Tyrrell	2	17	12	18	13	36	444.56	316.96	433.84	308.06	839.36	2
Union	6	243	285	304	264	324	224.88	255.52	245.80	209.89	253.45	39
Vance	4	118	118	152	185	204	279.20	276.10	353.87	423.49	459.46	8
Wake	8	2,048	1,637	3,736	1,979	2,362	365.34	282.97	595.05	309.92	363.95	13

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Warren	3	13	24	8	4	66	70.32	129.38	40.06	19.69	319.71	23
Washington	3	18	19	13	14	11	128.91	137.65	94.73	100.32	77.55	88
Watauga	4	113	89	61	37	59	273.01	214.30	142.60	85.05	133.43	75
Wayne	6	182	122	168	179	216	159.91	107.23	148.20	155.26	184.34	60
Wilkes	5	141	144	147	130	148	222.15	226.04	224.23	194.98	218.40	48
Wilson	5	226	296	407	396	364	331.10	440.68	560.34	536.08	484.83	6
Yadkin	4	97	152	149	243	178	276.32	428.92	409.93	657.36	473.77	7
Yancey	3	15	11	44	21	36	90.02	65.33	247.55	116.18	195.95	54
State Total		22,589	22,392	23,718	20,794	23,061	299.35	292.67	294.66	254.01	277.17	