

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

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1986—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 70,636 aggravated assaults was reported by law enforcement agencies for the year 1986.

Aggravated assaults accounted for 58.4 percent of all violent crimes and 7.4 percent of all index crimes reported.

The rate of aggravated assaults amounted to 605.9 assaults for each 100,000 persons.

There were 43,864 aggravated assaults cleared by arrest of exceptionally cleared, which represents a clearance rate of 62.1 percent statewide.

Persons under the age of 30 accounted for 59.2 percent of the arrests for aggravated assault. Arrests of males for aggravated assault outnumbered females by a 6 to 1 margin.

Analysis of aggravated assault arrests by race indicates that 49.8 percent of all persons arrested were white, 49.9 percent were black and 0.2 percent were of other races.

The use of firearms represented 19,720 offenses and comprised 27.9 percent of all aggravated assaults.

BY TYPE OF WEAPON USED 1984-1986

Year	Offenses	Firearm	Knife or Cutting Instrument	Other Dangerous Weapons	Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc. Aggravated	Total
1984	Number	16,066	14,343	20,310	7,489	58,208
	Percent Dist.	27.6	24.6	34.9	12.9	100.0*
1985	Number	17,939	15,544	24,047	6,641	64,171
	Percent Dist.	28.0	24.2	37.5	10.3	100.0*
1986	Number	19,720	16,343	27,196	7,377	70,636
	Percent Dist.	27.9	23.1	38.5	10.4	100.0*

DISTRIBUTION OF ARRESTS BY AGE GROUPS 1984-1986

Year	Arrests	Under 18	18-24	25-34	35-44	45 & Over	Total
1984	Number	3,089	6,355	7,682	3,665	3,030	23,821
	Percent Dist.	13.0	26.7	32.2	15.4	12.7	100.0*
1985	Number	3,392	6,354	8,191	3,775	2,887	24,599
	Percent Dist.	13.8	25.8	33.3	15.3	11.7	100.0*
1986	Number	3,593	6,912	9,026	4,075	2,974	26,580
	Percent Dist.	13.5	26.0	34.0	15.3	11.2	100.0*

*Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

Total Robberies
21,238
3,908
1,138
319
435
254
2,949
113
2,631
2,523
35,508

Average Value
676
231
317
787
4,374
1,168
3,380
376
1,524
518
941

Total Robberies
25,345
5,288
1,159
364
403
318
3,381
141
3,330
3,088
42,817

Average Value
659
196
329
539
2,776
896
1,084
625
1,277
594
691