The following data comes from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement’s Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) system; the system provides standardized annual and semi-annual reports on crime statistics based on data gathered from across the state.

The crimes recorded by UCR are classified as Index Crimes; Index Crimes are composed of Violent Crimes and Property Crimes. Violent Crimes are categorized as: Murder, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault. Robbery is the taking or attempting to take anything of value under confrontational circumstances from the control, custody, or care of another person by force, threat of force, violence, and/or by putting the property custodian in fear.

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Over half of the Robbery offenses reported between 2007 and 2017 occurred outside. These are classified as “highway” robberies. 17.3% of robberies were residential.

Adult and Juvenile Arrests by Gender
88% of Robbery arrestees are male.