

FORCIBLE RAPE

Forcible rape is the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. For the purposes of Uniform Crime Reports rape is divided into two categories: (1) rape by force; and (2) attempted rapes. Carnal abuse without force (statutory rape) and other sex offenses are not counted.

1972—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 1,919 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1972. 1,382 were rapes by force and 537 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 4.8 percent of all violent crimes and 0.5 percent of all index offenses reported.

The forcible rape rate for the year 1972 amounted to 25.8 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,219 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a 63.5 percent clearance rate statewide.

62.7 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1972 were of persons under the age of 25.

43.0 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1972 were White, 56.2 percent were Negro and 0.8 percent were of other races.

1973—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 2,450 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1973. 1,792 were rapes by force and 658 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 5.3 percent of all violent crimes and 0.5 percent of all index offenses reported.

The forcible rape rate for the year 1973 amounted to 31.2 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,417 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a 57.8 percent clearance rate statewide.

59.2 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1973 were of persons under the age of 25.

49.9 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1973 were White, 48.8 percent were Negro and 1.3 percent were of other races.

1974—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 2,904 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1974. 2,153 were rapes by force and 751 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 5.3 percent of all violent crimes and 0.5 percent of all index offenses reported.

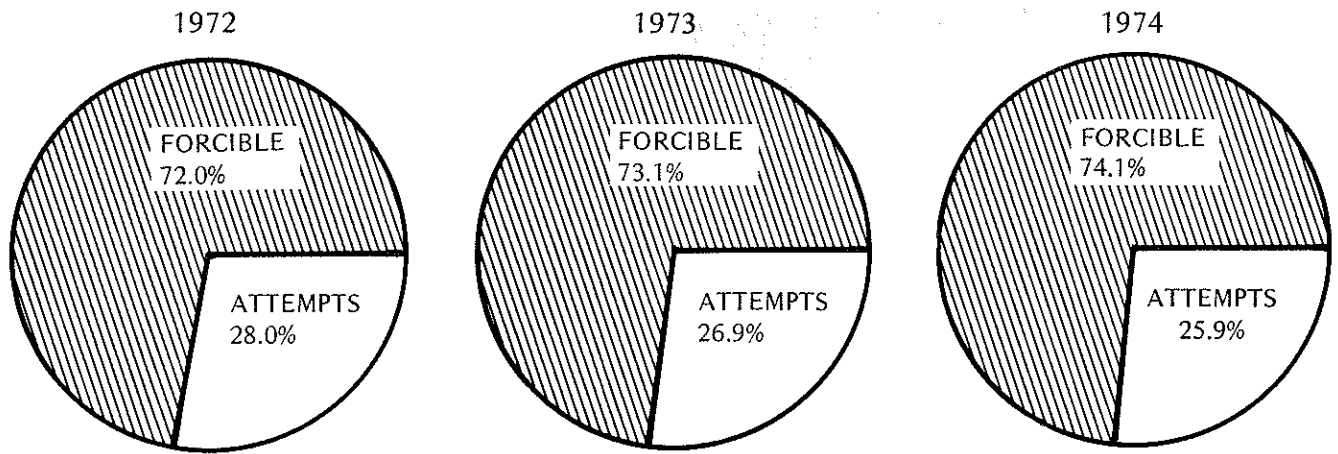
The forcible rape rate for the year 1974 amounted to 35.2 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,721 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a 59.3 percent clearance rate statewide.

56.2 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1974 were of persons under the age of 25.

51.1 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1974 were White, 48.4 percent were Negro and 0.4 percent were of other races.

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DISTRIBUTION OF ARRESTS BY AGE GROUPS*

1972-1974

AGE	1972		1973		1974	
	ARRESTS	PERCENT	ARRESTS	PERCENT	ARRESTS	PERCENT
UNDER 18	171	19.0	162	17.5	199	17.8
18-24	393	43.7	385	41.7	468	41.7
25-34	237	26.4	267	28.9	330	29.4
35-44	68	7.6	75	8.1	83	7.4
45 AND OVER	30	3.3	35	3.8	41	3.7
TOTAL	899	100.0	924	100.0	1,121	100.0

*Percent distributions may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

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