

# 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.

## 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.

## 1975—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 2,985 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1975. 2,158 were rapes by force and 827 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 5.2 percent of all violent crimes and 0.5 percent of all index offenses reported.

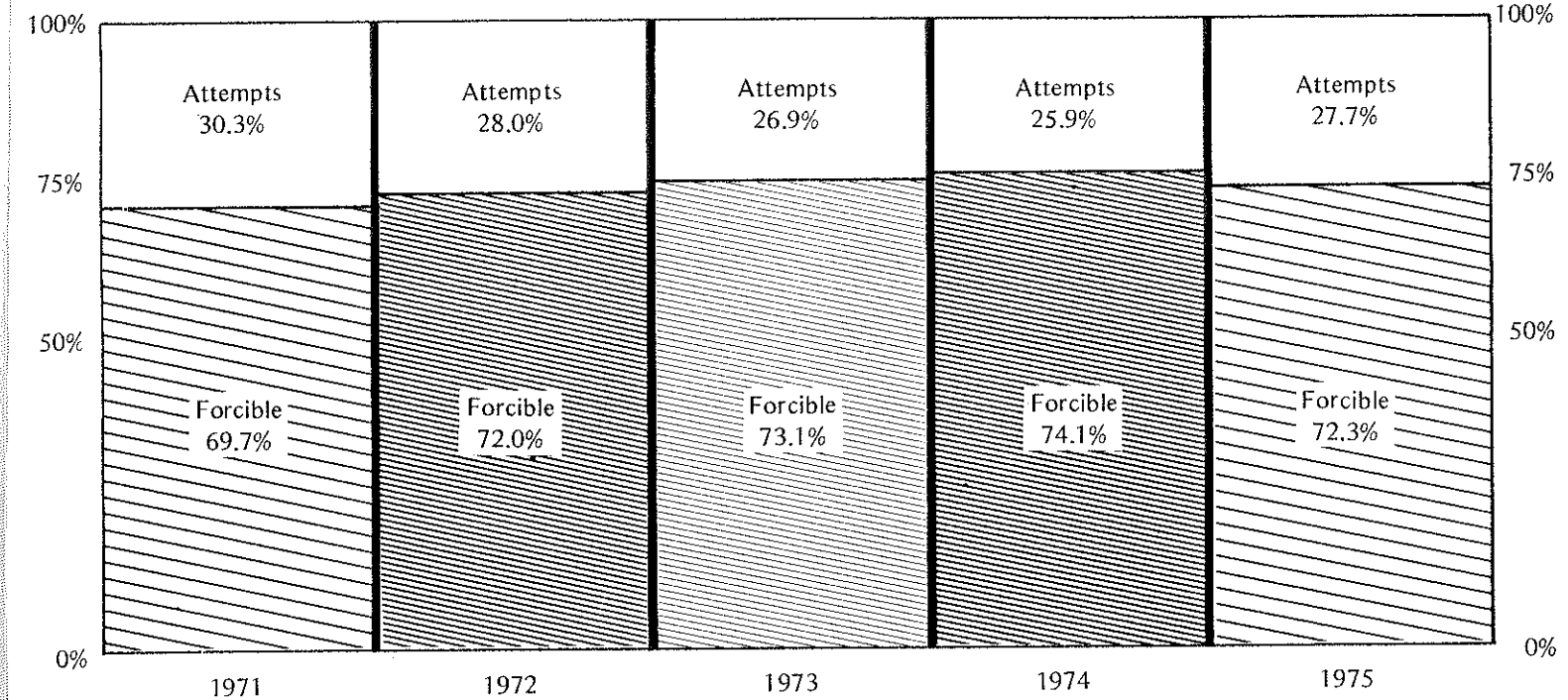
The forcible rape rate for the year 1975 amounted to 35.2 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,704 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a 57.1 percent clearance rate statewide.

54.4 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1975 were of persons under the age of 25.

50.6 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1975 were White, 48.6 percent were Negro and 0.8 percent were of other races.

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DISTRIBUTION OF ARRESTS BY AGE GROUPS\*  
1971-1975

| Year |         | Under 18 | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45 & Over | Totals |
|------|---------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1971 | Arrest  | 148      | 415   | 214   | 66    | 36        | 879    |
|      | Percent | 16.8     | 47.2  | 24.3  | 7.5   | 4.1       | 100.0  |
| 1972 | Arrest  | 171      | 393   | 237   | 68    | 30        | 899    |
|      | Percent | 19.0     | 43.7  | 26.4  | 7.6   | 3.3       | 100.0  |
| 1973 | Arrest  | 162      | 385   | 267   | 75    | 35        | 924    |
|      | Percent | 17.5     | 41.7  | 28.9  | 8.1   | 3.8       | 100.0  |
| 1974 | Arrest  | 199      | 468   | 330   | 83    | 41        | 1,121  |
|      | Percent | 17.8     | 41.7  | 29.4  | 7.4   | 3.7       | 100.0  |
| 1975 | Arrest  | 200      | 417   | 324   | 123   | 70        | 1,134  |
|      | Percent | 17.6     | 36.8  | 28.6  | 10.8  | 6.2       | 100.0  |

\*Percent distributions may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

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