

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.

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.

1976—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 3,051 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1976. 2,255 were rapes by force and 796 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 5.6 percent of all violent crimes and 0.5 percent of all index offenses reported.

The forcible rape rate for the year 1976 amounted to 35.7 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,623 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to 53.2 percent clearance rate statewide.

53.1 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1976 were of persons under the age of 25.

50.5 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1976 were white, 48.5 percent were Negro and 1.0 percent were of other races.

1977—SUMMARY ANALYSIS

A total of 3,342 forcible rapes (including attempts) were reported by law enforcement agencies in Florida for the year 1977. 2,532 were rapes by force and 810 were attempted rapes.

Forcible rapes accounted for 5.8 percent of all violent crimes and 0.6 percent of all index offenses reported.

The forcible rape rate for the year 1977 amounted to 38.3 rapes for every 100,000 persons in the state.

A total of 1,851 forcible rapes were cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to 55.4 percent clearance rate statewide.

54.7 percent of the reported arrests for forcible rape during the year 1977 were of persons under the age of 25.

48.2 percent of all persons arrested for forcible rape during the year 1977 were white, 50.9 percent were Negro and 0.9 percent were of other races.

FORCIBLE RAPE

FORCIBLE RAPE ANALYSIS 1973-1977

Year		By Force	Attempted	Total Rapes
1973	Number (Percent*) Percent Change Over Previous Year	1,792(73.1%) —	658(26.9%) —	2,450(100.0%) —
1974	Number (Percent*) Percent Change Over Previous Year	2,153(74.1%) +20.1%	751(25.9%) +14.1%	2,904(100.0%) +18.5%
1975	Number (Percent*) Percent Change Over Previous Year	2,158(72.3%) +0.2%	827(27.7%) +10.1%	2,985(100.0%) +2.8%
1976	Number (Percent*) Percent Change Over Previous Year	2,255(73.9%) +4.5%	796(26.1%) -3.7%	3,051(100.0%) +2.2%
1977	Number (Percent*) Percent Change Over Previous Year	2,532(75.8%) +12.3%	810(24.2%) +1.8%	3,342(100.0%) +9.5%

DISTRIBUTION OF ARRESTS BY AGE GROUPS 1973-1977

Year		Under 18	18-24	25-34	35-44	45 & Over	Totals
1973	Arrest Percent*	162 17.5%	385 41.7%	267 28.9%	75 8.1%	35 3.8%	924 100.0%
1974	Arrest Percent*	199 17.8%	468 41.7%	330 29.4%	83 7.4%	41 3.7%	1,121 100.0%
1975	Arrest Percent*	200 17.6%	417 36.8%	324 28.6%	123 10.8%	70 6.2%	1,134 100.0%
1976	Arrest Percent*	201 18.1%	389 35.0%	341 30.7%	117 10.5%	63 5.7%	1,111 100.0%
1977	Arrest Percent*	219 19.6%	392 35.1%	307 27.5%	127 11.4%	73 6.5%	1,118 100.0%

*Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

FDCLE TABLE 4