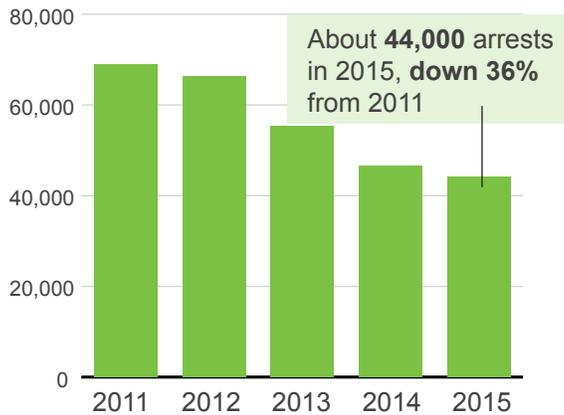


Juvenile Arrests in Wisconsin

The number of arrests of people age 17 and under has dropped sharply in Wisconsin in recent years. The decrease reflects a drop in crime committed by juveniles, as well as changes in law enforcement practices.

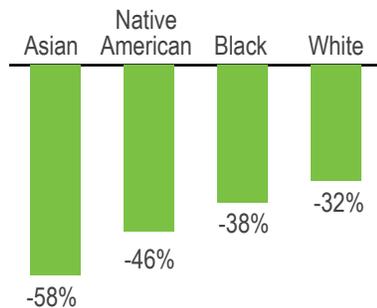
Juvenile arrests in WI have continued to decline over last four years

Arrests of people age 17 and younger in Wisconsin.



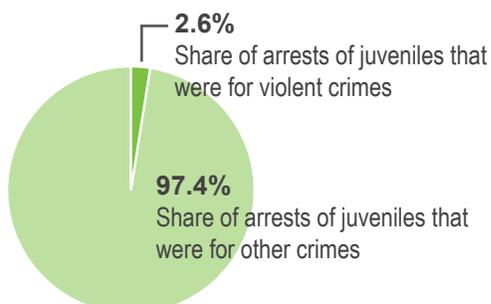
Juvenile arrest rates have declined for all races

Change in Wisconsin arrest rates of people age 17 and younger by race, 2011 to 2015.



The vast majority of juvenile arrests are for non-violent crimes

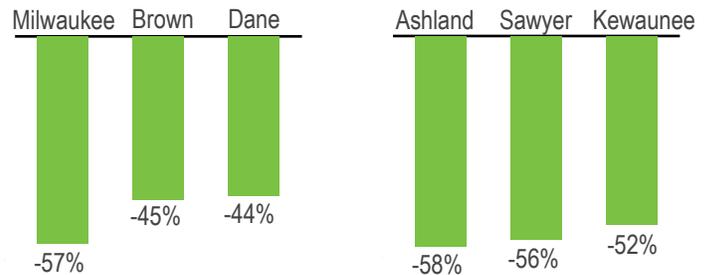
Juvenile arrests in Wisconsin in 2015, by type of crime. Violent crimes include aggravated assault, robbery, forcible rape, and murder.



The decline has occurred

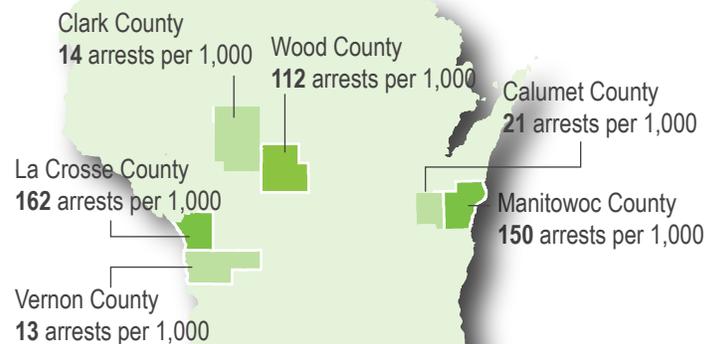
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Change in juvenile arrests by county, 2011 to 2015.



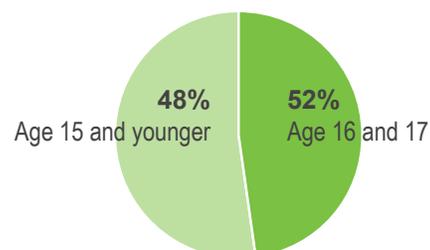
There is a great deal of variation among counties in arrest rates, even between adjacent counties

Juvenile arrest rates in 2015 per 1,000 juveniles age 10 to 17.



Nearly half of juvenile arrests are for youth age 15 and younger

Arrests of people age 17 and younger in Wisconsin in 2015, by age.



Arrest rates in Wisconsin counties, for juveniles age 17 and under

Per 1,000 juveniles age 10 to 17



Source: Wisconsin Department of Justice, from Uniform Crime Reporting. For purposes of the UCR, 17 year olds are considered juveniles so as to be consistent with practices in other states, even though in Wisconsin 17 years olds are treated as adults in the criminal justice system. Arrest figures may change slightly over time as law enforcement agencies correct or update their figures. Menominee County rates are based on arrests made by the Menominee Tribal Police Department.