# **Data Declaration**

### Table 62

# Arrest Trends, Suburban Areas, 2007-2008

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

#### **General comments**

- This 2-year trend table provides the number of persons arrested in suburban areas in 2007 and 2008 and the percent change when the data for these 2 years are compared. The table furnishes a breakdown of these data by juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults.
- The arrests reported by law enforcement agencies in suburban areas are a subset of the national figures presented in Table 36.
- Suburban area law enforcement agencies are defined as all agencies within a currently designated Metropolitan Statistical Area, excluding those agencies that cover principal cities as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. (See Area Definitions.)
- The UCR Program collects arrest data for 29 offenses.
- These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons
  may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this
  table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person.

#### Methodology

The data used in creating this table were from all suburban area law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for both 2007 and 2008.

# **Population estimation**

For the 2008 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2000 decennial population counts and 2001 through 2007 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2007 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2008 population estimate.

Population estimates for 2007 are based on the percent change in the state population from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2006 revised estimates and 2007 provisional estimates.

# If you have questions about this table

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