Overview

Table 34

Five-Year Arrest Trends, Totals, 2003-2007

- Nationwide, the number of persons arrested in 2007 increased 3.9 percent from the number arrested in 2003. The 5-year trend data showed that the number of adults arrested increased 5.2 percent, and the number of juveniles (individuals under age 18) arrested decreased 2.9 percent.
- The 2007 over 2003 data showed that the number of persons arrested for violent crimes increased 0.6 percent.
- The number of juveniles arrested for murder and nonnegligent manslaughter and robbery rose 25.7 percent and 34.6 percent, respectively. Conversely, the number of juveniles arrested for forcible rape and aggravated assault declined 12.7 percent and 5.7 percent, respectively.
- The 5-year trend data (2003 versus 2007) showed that the number of persons arrested for property crimes increased 0.1 percent.
- A comparison of the total number of people arrested for drug abuse violations in 2007 with those arrested in 2003 showed an increase of 9.5 percent. The number of adults and juveniles arrested for this offense rose 10.8 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.
- The number of arrests for motor vehicle thefts decreased 17.9 percent. The number of juveniles arrested for this offense declined 30.3 percent, and the number of adults arrested decreased 12.8 percent.