

Indicator 28: Juvenile arrests by race

Ratio of arrests for Black to White youth (age 0 to 17) per 1,000 youth in their respective populations

Report Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Score	40	35	35	31	37
Black youth	26.225	26.283	24.011	24.360	16.551
White youth	12.225	9.193	8.299	7.211	6.394
Ratio	2.145	2.859	2.893	3.378	2.588

Change
2018 to 2022

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2022 Report Source

Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation unpublished data, 2020; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2020 5-Year Estimates



Black youth are arrested at over 2.5 times the rate of White youth.

Note: As in previous Equality Indicators reports, the comparison of Blacks to Whites was intentionally selected to reflect the contemporary discourse surrounding this specific indicator. The current rates, ratios, and scores are a result of updating the ACS table from which the White general population estimates for Tulsa were drawn. The updated source table's demographic criteria for inclusion in the White general population aligns more closely with the criteria for inclusion in the White arrest counts received from OSBI. The OSBI counts of White and Black arrests includes individuals of Hispanic ethnicity. The updated ACS table for White general population estimates is B01001A, which includes those of Hispanic ethnicity. In contrast, the previously used ACS table was B01001H, which provides estimates of the White non-Hispanic population. The counts provided by OSBI are based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data. The UCR program, for arrests, counts one arrest for each separate instance in which a person is arrested, cited, and/or summoned for an offense. It does not collect data for citations of traffic violations* (OSBI, Statistical Analysis Center, 2023).
Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation unpublished data, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, & 2020; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2020 5-Year Estimates