

## **Analysis of Arrests**

Analysis revealed that 76.2 percent or 355,902 arrestees were male; 23.8 percent or 111,334 were female; 70.5 percent or 329,391 were White; 28.9 percent or 134,919 were Black; .6 percent or 2,919 were Other Races; 22.9 percent or 107,162 were under 18 years old; and 53.4 percent or 249,389 were under 25 years old. Arrests of males decreased by .4 percent and arrests of Whites decreased by .7 percent, while arrests of juveniles decreased by 1.8 percent.

Juvenile arrestees were disposed of as follows: 33.7 percent or 36,121 were handled within the police department and released; 33.5 percent or 35,871 were referred to juvenile court or juvenile probation department; .2 percent or 232 were referred to welfare agencies; .3 percent or 303 were referred to other police agencies; and 32.3 percent or 34,635 were referred to criminal or adult court, usually the district magistrate for specified petty crimes such as underage drinking and shoplifting.

Adults arrested and counted for UCR purposes in Pennsylvania are those who are formally charged with a crime. Crime suspects who are questioned and released are not counted as arrested. Juveniles are counted as arrested when circumstances are such that if they were adults an arrest would be tallied.