

AJiC Fact Sheet

Motor Vehicle Theft Arrests Reported in Alaska, 1985–2016

ANCHORAGE, AK— The 17-03 issue of the *AJiC Fact Sheet* has been released. This Fact Sheet presents data from the Alaska Department of Public Safety's annual report *Crime in Alaska* for the years 1985 through 2016 on motor vehicle theft arrests reported in Alaska.

- From 1985 to 2016, the number of motor vehicle theft arrests averaged 401.3 per year. The motor vehicle theft arrest rate averaged 64.6 per 100,000 residents. Overall, the motor vehicle theft arrest rate in Alaska declined for the period but rebounded in 2015 and 2016.
- In recent years, after a period low in 2014 (28.8 per 100,000 residents), motor vehicle theft arrest rates started rising in 2015 (49 per 100,000 residents) and 2016 (68.3 per 100,000 residents).
- From 1985 to 2016, the thirty-one-year trend of motor vehicle theft arrest rates for adults, those aged 18 and older, was relatively constant with some variation and an increase in the years 2015 and 2016.
- From 1985 to 2016, the thirty-one-year trend reveals that the motor vehicle theft arrest rates for juveniles, those under the age of 18, has decreased over the period.
- The motor vehicle theft arrest rates for males in Alaska has been decreasing over the thirty-one-year period with an increase in 2015 and 2016.
- The motor vehicle theft arrest rates for females in Alaska has been relatively constant with minor variation and an increase in 2015 and 2016.
- On average adults accounted for 62.6% of all arrests for motor vehicle thefts reported in Alaska from 1985 to 2017. Juveniles accounted for 37.4%. Males accounted for 81.8% of all motor vehicle theft arrests, females 18.2%.

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