

# First, let's start with just numbers of female prostitution arrests over 32 years from 1981 to 2012:

## FEMALE ARRESTS FOR PROSTITUTION OVER A 32 YEAR PERIOD 1981- 2012:

- Female arrests all **1981- 2012: 1,954,426** (listed by age on the spreadsheets) of this number **1.81%** or **35,371** were **UNDER 18**, and **98.19%** or **1,919,046** were **over 18**

- the majority were 17: 17,235
- followed by age 16: 9,124
- then by age 15: 5,082
- age 13-14: 3,477
- age 10 to 12: 259
- age under 10: 187

No matter how you slice it, it is not possible to have this many arrests of adult female prostitutes vs. arrests of females under 18 and have an 'average age of entry' into prostitution be 12 OR 13 OR 14... cops clearly were arresting minors, including children under 10 years of age.

- Of those over 18, the majority were ages 25- 34: **781,079**

- age 18- 20: 240,033
- age 21-24: 431,436
- total 18 to 24: **671,469**
- total 21 to 29 876,752
- total over 30 803,065
- total 21- 65+: **1,679,817**

All of the statistics relating to the age, gender and number of arrests of females (and males) can be found on the FBI Bureau of Justice Statistics, using the following annual tables by these table numbers:

- TABLE # 38- Arrests all by age (male and female)
- TABLE #39- Arrests - male- by age
- TABLE #40- Arrests- female by age
- TABLE #42- Arrests all ages by gender

If you are viewing this document on our website, click this link to view the summary of prostitution and disorderly conduct arrests by age and gender with percentages or see the spreadsheet at the end of this document

Source for all statistics can be found on the FBI Bureau of Justice Statistics and various tables contained therein: <http://www.bjs.gov/index.cfm?ty=datatool&url=/arrests/index.cfm>

| 1981-2012 SUMMARY/PERCENTAGES OF PROSTITUTION AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT ARRESTS ALL BY AGE AND GENDER |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
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| TOTALS Arrests All by Age 1981-2012  | Age 18 or over | Age 15-17 | Age 12-14 | Age 10-11 | Age 8-9 | Age 6-7 | Age 5 | Age 4 | Age 3 | Age 2 | Age 1 | Age 0 | Age 18 or over | Age 15-17 | Age 12-14 | Age 10-11 | Age 8-9 | Age 6-7 | Age 5 | Age 4 | Age 3 | Age 2 | Age 1 | Age 0 |
| ALL Prostitution   | 1,954,426      | 35,371    | 1,919,046 | 1.81%     | 98.19%  |         |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1,919,046      | 1.81%     | 98.19%    |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| ALL Disorderly Conduct   | 1,954,426      | 35,371    | 1,919,046 | 1.81%     | 98.19%  |         |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1,919,046      | 1.81%     | 98.19%    |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL BY AGE   |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| MALE Prostitution  | 1,954,426      | 35,371    | 1,919,046 | 1.81%     | 98.19%  |         |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1,919,046      | 1.81%     | 98.19%    |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
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| PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL BY AGE   |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
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| PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL BY AGE   |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL BY GENDER AND AGE  |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |                |           |           |           |         |         |       |       |       |       |       |       |

IN MANY STATES, WHEN THE POLICE DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROVE THE CRIME OF PROSTITUTION, THEY WILL ARREST AN INDIVIDUAL FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT. IN ADDITION, PROSTITUTION CHARGES ARE OFTEN REPEATED BY PROSECUTORS TO DISORDERLY CONDUCT BY THE ARRESTED AGED TO A CHARGE TO THE POLICE OFFICER TO THAT THE STATE CITY IS OPENED THE EXPENSE OF TAKING THE CASE TO TRIAL. HOWEVER, ARRESTS FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT ARE NOT NECESSARILY ARRESTS MADE INSTEAD OF AN ARREST FOR PROSTITUTION. THE ANNUAL REPORTS SENT BY LOCAL AND STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO THE FBI BUREAU OF JUSTICE STATISTICS DO NOT REFLECT THE UNDERLYING OFFENSE FOR WHICH THE PERSON WAS ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH THE ALL PURPOSE DISORDERLY CONDUCT STATUTE. WE HAVE INCLUDED DISORDERLY CONDUCT STATISTICS BECAUSE WE ARE SURE THAT A PERCENTAGE OF THEM WOULD HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR PROSTITUTION BUT WERE NOT PROVIDED IN-COURT.

THE NUMBER OF TRANSGENDERED PERSONS ARRESTED FOR EITHER 'CRIME' IS UNKNOWN, AS THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES USE ANY GENDER CATEGORY OTHER THAN MALE AND FEMALE.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL THE NUMBERS AND STATISTICS ARE TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE STATISTICS SPREADSHEETS AND IN CASES WHERE THE NUMBER TOTALS MAY BE SLIGHTLY OFF, THE ROUNDING OF THE NUMBERS WHICH CAUSES A DISCREPANCY IN THE TOTALS.

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1981-2012 Prostitution and Disorderly Conduct arrests by age and gender- all spreadsheets [www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com](http://www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com) updated 11/29/13 research by N.J. Almodovar

“What about the children?”