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# JUDICIAL DISPOSITION OF CASES INVOLVING ILLEGAL WEAPONS CHARGES

## INTRODUCTION

This study was undertaken to provide material upon which the Attorney General might recommend revisions in the Penal Code Sections pertaining to offenses involving weapons. The cases were selected from the Bureau of Criminal Statistics' Arrest Register for the first six months of 1972. The arrest register is a document wherein arrests are reported individually, rather than in summary fashion. The counties included in the register program for 1972 are:

Alpine

Butte

Colusa (Sheriff's Office and Williams Police Department entered program October 1, 1972, Colusa Police Department entered program November 1, 1972.)

Contra Costa (Pittsburg Police Department only)

Del Norte

Humboldt (Ferndale Police Department reporting first quarter only)

Imperial (excluding Sheriff's Office juvenile arrests)

Inyo

Kern (excluding Maricopa Police Department)

Lake

Los Angeles (excluding Sheriff's Office and Hawthorne, Long Beach and South Gate Police Departments juvenile arrests)

Mendocino

Mono

Napa

Placer

Plumas

Sacramento (excluding Sheriff's Office juvenile arrests)

San Bernardino (Sheriff's Office only excluding juvenile arrests, entered program April 1, 1972)

San Diego (excluding Sheriff's Office and San Diego Police Department adult arrests)

San Francisco (Sheriff's Office entered program September 1, 1972)

San Joaquin

San Luis Obispo

Shasta (Sheriff's Office and Anderson Police Department entered program July 1, 1972, Redding Police Department entered program September 1, 1972)

Sierra

Solano

Sonoma

Sutter

Tuolumne

For the full year of 1972 the arrests for offenses involving weapons in the register program counties amounted to approximately 41 percent of the statewide total.

The following concordance show the Penal Code Sections included in the brief table headings:

- Possession by convict - 4502
- Ex-con with weapon - 12021, 12560
- Altering ID of gun - 12090
- Concealed weapon w/prior - 12025
- Prohibited weapons - 171(c).1, 626.9, 12020, 12220
- Tear gas or silencer - 12420, 12520
- Concealed weapon (misdemeanor) - 12025
- Switch blade, loaded gun - 653k, 12031
- Altering ID of weapon (misdemeanor) - 12093

The original sample comprised 3,060 arrests disposed of at the police level as shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1  
WEAPON CASE ARRESTS AND POLICE DISPOSITIONS

Disposition	Total	Percent
Total arrests .....	3,060	100.0
Juveniles .....	627	20.5
Handled within department .....	238	7.8
To juvenile court or probation department .....	389	12.7
Adults .....	2,433	79.5
Released .....	272	8.9
To other jurisdiction .....	39	1.3
Misdemeanor complaint .....	1,648	53.8
Felony complaint .....	474	15.5

The subject matter of the study was composed of the 1,648 cases subjected to misdemeanor complaints and the 474 to felony action. This subsample was run through the Bureau of Identification folder files. Unfortunately, erroneous identifying numbers and the absence of disposition material in the folders caused a sizable reduction in the original arrest cohort - to 1,029 to be exact. As an aid to understanding the accompanying tables, a balance sheet of the residual cases is presented herewith:

Lower court disposition on misdemeanor complaint	
Felony arrests -	166
Misdemeanor arrests -	656
Sub-total	822
Lower court disposition on felony complaint -	155
Superior court disposition -	52
Sub-total	207
<hr/> Total	<hr/> 1,029

Totals of some of the tables vary from these figures because cases in which elements were unknown are not included.

Because of the small numerical base of the superior court disposition distribution the usual minimum number upon which percentages are calculated was reduced from 25 to 10.

#### DISCUSSION

Tables 2-A and 2-B indicate that of felony arrests handled in lower courts, prohibited weapons account for 122 of the 166 cases, or about 74 percent. This category contains the lowest conviction rate - 78.7. Overall, probation plus jail is the most frequent sentence. If straight jail is added, over half of the convicted defendants are seen to have been subjected to some degree of incarceration.

However, in regard to the 656 misdemeanor complaints originating from misdemeanor arrests, carrying a concealed weapon accounts for 387 cases, and possession of a switch blade or loaded gun, 247 cases or 59 and 38 percent respectively. Probation figures somewhat more prominently in the sentencing of misdemeanor arrest cases than in felony arrests - 31 percent versus 22. Nevertheless, the combined conviction rate is approximately the same for both arrest groups.

Lower court dispositions of felony complaints (Table 3) show, in general, high dismissal figures and, as would be expected, low conviction rates. Dismissals constitute 38 percent of the totals versus approximately 79 percent of the dispositions in lower court processing of misdemeanor complaints. In the ex-con with weapon category, the dismissals amount to almost 70 percent of that type of complaint. However, the statistical base is only 23; so chance variation in the dismissal proportion could play a rather large role.

For superior court dispositions (Table 4) many of the preceding observations are reversed. Here the dismissal percentage is negligible, while convictions make up 90 percent of the total. In contrast to lower court, where jail and probation plus jail accounted for the greater part of the sentences handed down, straight probation is a more likely adjudication than any other.

Tables 5-A - 6-D display the convicted offense and certain offender characteristics for misdemeanor complaint adjudications from both felony and misdemeanor arrests. The prior record breakdown of Table 5-B requires some explanation in that the "ex-con" heading does not accurately describe the subjects, since in addition to ex-convicts, persons who have been convicted of felonies without necessarily serving time in prison, and aliens in possession of firearms, are included. Hence, "none," "minor" and "major" records, as well as "prison" are valid classifications.

To summarize the contents of Tables 5-A - 7-D:

1. Misdemeanor arrestees are more likely to be convicted of weapons charges than are those arrested for felonies - 87 percent as compared with 72 percent.
2. Felony arrestees are twice as likely to have prior prison records than are their misdemeanor counterparts (16 percent vs. 7 percent). Conversely, misdemeanor defendants have substantially higher minor criminal backgrounds. Surprisingly, the "no prior record" and "major record" categories are substantially the same for the two groups. One possible explanation is that the subjects are drawn from a common population and represent only different stages of criminal development.
3. This notion gains plausibility from the current status tables, which show 83 percent of the misdemeanor subjects under no commitment, as against 77 percent of the felony arrestees with a misdemeanor complaint filed.
4. Tables 5-D and 6-D evince a more extensive history of previous weapons assaults on the part of felony arrestees than for misdemeanants. In Table 5-D, 79 felony arrestees were responsible for 132 previous assaults, or 1.67 per capita. In Table 6-D, comparable figures for 274 misdemeanor arrestees show 406 assaults, an average of 1.48.

Table 7-A demonstrates that about 53 percent of the subjects reaching superior court on felony charges receive felony sentences.

For all subjects charged with felonies, those having no prior record (15 percent) Table 7-B, and those under no current commitment (61 percent) Table 7-C, appear to be distinctly below the proportions discussed above.

Table 7-D indicates previous assaults with weapons are high - 251 assaults by 139 persons, for an average of 1.81.

TABLE 2-A  
 LOWER COURT DISPOSITIONS  
 Felony Arrest - Misdemeanor Complaint Filed

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	166	100.0	31	100.0	6	-	4	-	122	100.0	3	-
Dismissed . . . . .	31	18.7	4	12.9	1	-	1	-	25	20.5	-	-
Acquitted . . . . .	2	1.2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
Convicted . . . . .	133	80.1	27	87.1	4	-	3	-	96	78.7	3	-
Probation . . . . .	36	21.7	3	9.7	1	-	1	-	30	24.6	1	-
Probation and jail . . . . .	53	31.9	14	45.2	-	-	-	-	38	31.1	1	-
Jail . . . . .	34	20.5	8	25.8	3	-	2	-	20	16.4	1	-
Fine . . . . .	9	5.4	1	3.2	-	-	-	-	8	6.6	-	-
Civil commitment . . . . .	1	0.6	1	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 2-B  
 LOWER COURT DISPOSITIONS  
 Misdemeanor Arrest - Misdemeanor Complaint Filed

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Concealed weapon	Percent	Switchblade or loaded gun	Percent	Alter I.D. of weapon	Percent
Total . . . . .	656	100.0	387	100.0	247	100.0	22	100.0
Dismissed . . . . .	127	19.4	74	19.1	50	20.2	3	13.6
Acquitted . . . . .	6	0.9	4	1.0	1	0.4	1	4.6
Convicted . . . . .	523	79.7	309	79.9	196	79.4	18	81.8
Probation . . . . .	204	31.1	118	30.5	73	29.6	13	59.1
Probation and jail . . . . .	192	29.3	122	31.5	65	26.3	5	22.7
Jail . . . . .	89	13.5	46	11.9	43	17.4	-	-
Fine . . . . .	38	5.8	23	6.0	15	6.1	-	-

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TABLE 3  
LOWER COURT DISPOSITIONS  
Felony Complaints Terminated

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	155	100.0	2	-	23	100.0	1	-	15	100.0	109	100.0	5	-
Certified to juvenile court . . . . .	2	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	-	-
Dismissed . . . . .	59	38.1	2	-	16	69.6	-	-	2	13.3	36	33.1	3	-
Convicted . . . . .	94	60.6	-	-	7	30.4	1	-	13	86.7	71	65.1	2	-
Section 17 P. C. . . . .	22	14.2	-	-	3	13.0	-	-	-	-	19	17.4	-	-
Reduced to misdemeanor	72	46.4	-	-	4	17.4	1	-	13	86.7	52	47.7	2	-
Probation . . . . .	55	35.4	-	-	5	21.7	1	-	6	40.0	42	38.5	1	-
Probation and jail . . . . .	15	9.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	20.0	11	10.1	1	-
Jail . . . . .	16	10.3	-	-	2	8.7	-	-	4	26.7	10	9.2	-	-
Fine . . . . .	8	5.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	7.3	-	-

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TABLE 4  
FELONY COMPLAINTS DISPOSED OF IN SUPERIOR COURT

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	52	100.0	1	-	26	100.0	1	-	3	-	20	100.0	1	-
Dismissed . . . . .	4	7.7	-	-	2	7.7	-	-	1	-	1	5.0	-	-
Acquitted . . . . .	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5.0	-	-
Convicted . . . . .	47	90.4	1	-	24	92.3	1	-	2	-	18	90.0	1	-
Prison . . . . .	7	13.5	1	-	4	15.4	-	-	-	-	2	10.0	-	-
Probation . . . . .	21	40.4	-	-	9	34.6	1	-	2	-	8	40.0	1	-
Probation and jail . . . . .	13	25.0	-	-	7	26.9	-	-	-	-	6	30.0	-	-
Jail . . . . .	4	7.7	-	-	2	7.7	-	-	-	-	2	10.0	-	-
Fine . . . . .	2	3.8	-	-	2	7.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 5-A

## FELONY ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

By Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Total	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	133	100.0	27	100.0	4	-	3	-	96	100.0	3	-
Misdemeanor weapons . .	96	72.1	20	74.1	4	-	-	-	70	72.9	2	-
Assault . . . . .	5	3.8	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	2.1	-	-
Theft . . . . .	2	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.1	-	-
Drug law violation . .	4	3.0	3	11.1	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	-	-
Driving violation . .	5	3.8	1	3.7	-	-	-	-	4	4.2	-	-
All other . . . . .	21	15.8	3	11.1	-	-	-	-	17	17.7	1	-

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TABLE 5-B

## FELONY ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

By Prior Record

Prior record	Total	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	166	100.0	31	100.0	6	-	4	-	122	100.0	3	-
None . . . . .	45	27.1	5	16.1	-	-	-	-	39	32.0	1	-
Minor . . . . .	48	28.9	3	9.7	3	-	-	-	41	33.6	1	-
Major . . . . .	47	28.3	9	29.0	3	-	4	-	30	24.6	1	-
Prison . . . . .	26	15.7	14	45.2	-	-	-	-	12	9.8	-	-

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TABLE 5-C  
 FELONY ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED  
 By Current Status

Current status	Total	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	166	100.0	31	100.0	6	-	4	-	122	100.0	3	-
No commitment . . . . .	128	77.1	22	71.0	4	-	2	-	97	79.5	3	-
California Department of Corrections parole . . . . .	3	1.8	2	6.4	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
California Youth Authority parole . . . . .	5	3.0	3	9.7	-	-	-	-	2	1.6	-	-
California probation . . . . .	28	16.9	3	9.7	2	-	1	-	22	18.1	-	-
California Rehabilitation Center parole . . . . .	2	1.2	1	3.2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 5-D  
 FELONY ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED  
 By Previous Assaults with Weapons

Type of assaults	Total	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
<b>Misdemeanor assaults</b>												
Total . . . . .	166	100.0	31	100.0	6	-	4	-	122	100.0	3	-
None . . . . .	130	78.3	24	77.4	5	-	3	-	95	77.9	3	-
One . . . . .	23	13.9	3	9.7	-	-	1	-	19	15.6	-	-
Two . . . . .	7	4.2	3	9.7	1	-	-	-	3	2.5	-	-
Three . . . . .	3	1.8	1	3.2	-	-	-	-	2	1.6	-	-
Four . . . . .	1	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
Five . . . . .	1	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
Six . . . . .	1	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
<b>Felony assaults</b>												
Total . . . . .	166	100.0	31	100.0	6	-	4	-	122	100.0	3	-
None . . . . .	123	74.1	17	54.8	4	-	4	-	96	78.7	2	-
One . . . . .	25	15.1	6	19.4	1	-	-	-	17	14.0	1	-
Two . . . . .	11	6.6	3	9.7	1	-	-	-	7	5.7	-	-
Three . . . . .	5	3.0	3	9.7	-	-	-	-	2	1.6	-	-
Four . . . . .	1	0.6	1	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Five . . . . .	1	0.6	1	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 6-A

## MISDEMEANOR ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

## By Convicted Offense

Convicted offense	Total	Percent	Concealed weapon	Percent	Switchblade or loaded gun	Percent	Alter I.D. of weapon	Percent
Total. . . . .	523	100.0	309	100.0	196	100.0	18	100.0
Misdemeanor weapons. . . . .	453	86.6	263	85.1	173	88.3	17	94.4
Assault. . . . .	4	0.8	2	0.7	1	0.5	1	5.6
Theft. . . . .	1	0.2	1	0.3	-	-	-	-
Sex offense. . . . .	2	0.4	1	0.3	1	0.5	-	-
Drug law violation . . . . .	1	0.2	1	0.3	-	-	-	-
Driving violation. . . . .	6	1.1	4	1.3	2	1.0	-	-
All other. . . . .	56	10.7	37	12.0	19	9.7	-	-

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TABLE 6-B

## MISDEMEANOR ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

## By Prior Record

Prior record	Total	Percent	Concealed weapon	Percent	Switchblade or loaded gun	Percent	Alter I.D. of weapon	Percent
Total. . . . .	656	100.0	387	100.0	247	100.0	22	100.0
None . . . . .	188	28.7	101	26.1	83	33.6	4	18.2
Minor. . . . .	264	40.2	171	44.2	86	34.8	7	31.8
Major. . . . .	161	24.5	95	24.5	58	23.5	8	36.4
Prison . . . . .	43	6.6	20	5.2	20	8.1	3	13.6

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TABLE 6-C

## MISDEMEANOR ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

## By Current Status

Current status	Total	Percent	Concealed weapon	Percent	Switchblade or loaded gun	Percent	Alter I.D. of weapon	Percent
Total . . . . .	656	100.0	387	100.0	247	100.0	22	100.0
No commitment . . . . .	547	83.3	330	85.3	200	81.0	17	77.3
California Department of Corrections parole . . . . .	8	1.2	4	1.0	4	1.6	-	-
California Youth Authority parole . . . . .	8	1.2	4	1.0	3	1.2	1	4.5
California probation . . . . .	89	13.6	49	12.7	36	14.6	4	18.2
Other probation . . . . .	1	0.2	-	-	1	0.4	-	-
California Rehabilitation Center parole . . . . .	2	0.3	-	-	2	0.8	-	-
In institution . . . . .	1	0.2	-	-	1	0.4	-	-

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TABLE 6-D

## MISDEMEANOR ARREST - MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT FILED

## By Previous Assaults with Weapons

Type of assault	Total	Percent	Concealed weapon	Percent	Switchblade or loaded gun	Percent	Alter I.D. of weapon	Percent
<b>Misdemeanor assaults</b>								
Total . . . . .	656	100.0	387	100.0	247	100.0	22	100.0
None . . . . .	502	76.5	291	75.2	195	78.9	16	72.7
One . . . . .	109	16.6	71	18.3	34	13.8	4	18.2
Two . . . . .	33	5.0	18	4.7	13	5.3	2	9.1
Three . . . . .	5	0.7	4	1.0	1	0.4	-	-
Four . . . . .	4	0.6	2	0.5	2	0.8	-	-
Five . . . . .	1	0.2	-	-	1	0.4	-	-
Six . . . . .	1	0.2	1	0.3	-	-	-	-
Eight . . . . .	1	0.2	-	-	1	0.4	-	-
<b>Felony assaults</b>								
Total . . . . .	656	100.0	387	100.0	247	100.0	22	100.0
None . . . . .	536	81.7	313	80.8	205	83.0	18	81.8
One . . . . .	84	12.8	54	14.0	26	10.5	4	18.2
Two . . . . .	23	3.5	12	3.1	11	4.5	-	-
Three . . . . .	9	1.3	5	1.3	4	1.6	-	-
Four . . . . .	1	0.2	1	0.3	-	-	-	-
Five . . . . .	2	0.3	2	0.5	-	-	-	-
Ten . . . . .	1	0.2	-	-	1	0.4	-	-

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TABLE 7-A

FELONY ARREST - FELONY COMPLAINT FILED  
By Level of Conviction in Superior Court

Level of conviction	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	47	100.0	1	-	24	100.0	1	-	2	-	18	100.0	1	-
Felony charge and sentence . . . . .	23	48.9	1	-	12	50.0	1	-	-	-	9	50.0	-	-
Felony charge, misdemeanor sentence . . . . .	17	36.2	-	-	9	37.5	-	-	1	-	6	33.3	1	-
Felony charge, Section 17 P.C. . . . .	3	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	11.1	-	-
Lesser felony, felony sentence . . . . .	2	4.3	-	-	2	8.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lesser felony, misdemeanor sentence . . . . .	1	2.1	-	-	1	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lesser felony, Section 17 P.C. . . . .	1	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	-	-

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TABLE 7-B

FELONY ARREST - FELONY COMPLAINT FILED  
By Prior Record (Lower and Superior Court)

Prior record	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	207	100.0	3	-	49	100.0	2	-	18	100.0	129	100.0	6	-
None . . . . .	31	15.0	1	-	1	2.0	1	-	-	-	25	19.4	3	-
Minor . . . . .	51	24.6	-	-	4	8.2	1	-	-	-	45	34.9	1	-
Major . . . . .	63	30.4	-	-	12	24.5	-	-	10	55.6	39	30.2	2	-
Prison . . . . .	62	30.0	2	-	32	65.3	-	-	8	44.4	20	15.5	-	-

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TABLE 7-C

FELONY ARREST - FELONY COMPLAINT FILED  
By Current Status (Lower and Superior Court)

Current status	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Total . . . . .	207	100.0	3	-	49	100.0	2	-	18	100.0	129	100.0	6	-
None . . . . .	127	61.4	1	-	24	49.0	2	-	11	61.1	83	64.3	6	-
California Department of Corrections parole . . . . .	21	10.2	1	-	10	20.4	-	-	1	5.6	9	7.0	-	-
California Youth Authority parole . . . . .	10	4.8	-	-	1	2.0	-	-	-	-	9	7.0	-	-
California probation . . . . .	40	19.3	-	-	8	16.4	-	-	-	22.2	28	21.7	-	-
Other probation . . . . .	4	1.9	-	-	4	8.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
California Rehabilitation Center parole . . . . .	3	1.4	-	-	1	2.0	-	-	2	11.1	-	-	-	-
In prison . . . . .	2	1.0	1	-	1	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 7-D

FELONY ARREST - FELONY COMPLAINT FILED  
By Previous Assaults with Weapons (Lower and Superior court)

Type of assault	Total	Percent	Possession by convict	Percent	Ex-con with weapon	Percent	Alter I.D. of gun	Percent	Concealed weapon with prior	Percent	Prohibited weapons	Percent	Tear gas or silencer	Percent
Misdemeanor assaults														
Total . . . . .	207	100.0	3	-	49	100.0	2	-	18	100.0	129	100.0	6	-
None . . . . .	142	68.6	3	-	32	65.3	1	-	8	44.4	93	72.1	5	-
One . . . . .	41	19.8	-	-	11	22.4	1	-	3	16.7	25	19.4	1	-
Two . . . . .	14	6.8	-	-	4	8.2	-	-	4	22.2	6	4.6	-	-
Three . . . . .	3	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.3	-	-
Four . . . . .	7	3.4	-	-	2	4.1	-	-	3	16.7	2	1.6	-	-
Felony assaults														
Total . . . . .	207	100.0	3	-	49	100.0	2	-	18	100.0	129	100.0	6	-
None . . . . .	133	64.2	2	-	24	49.0	2	-	8	44.4	92	71.3	5	-
One . . . . .	43	20.7	1	-	13	26.5	-	-	7	38.8	22	17.1	-	-
Two . . . . .	15	7.2	-	-	3	6.1	-	-	1	5.6	10	7.7	1	-
Three . . . . .	8	3.9	-	-	4	8.2	-	-	1	5.6	3	2.3	-	-
Four . . . . .	2	1.0	-	-	2	4.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Five . . . . .	2	1.0	-	-	2	4.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Six . . . . .	1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
Seven . . . . .	1	0.5	-	-	1	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eight . . . . .	1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.8	-	-
Nine . . . . .	1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 8

## JUVENILE AND ADULT ARREST CASES INVOLVING ILLEGAL WEAPON CHARGES, FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1972

## Disposition and Sentence by Arrest Offense

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Total felony arrests	Possession by convict	Ex-con with weapon	Alter I.D. of gun	Concealed weapon w/prior	Prohibited weapons	Tear gas or silencer	Total misdemeanor arrests	Concealed weapon	Switch blade or loaded weapon	Alter I.D. of weapon
Total arrests . . . . .	3,060	100.0	1,378	4	224	34	82	982	52	1,682	864	757	61
Juveniles . . . . .	627	20.5	305	-	15	14	11	257	8	322	113	206	3
Handled within department . . . . .	238		122	-	3	6	3	104	6	116	21	95	-
To juvenile court or probation department . . . . .	389		183	-	12	8	8	153	2	206	92	111	3
Adults . . . . .	2,433	79.5	1,073	4	209	20	71	725	44	1,360	751	551	58
Released . . . . .	272		241	-	24	8	5	192	12	31	14	17	-
To other jurisdiction . . . . .	39		29	1	8	-	2	17	1	10	4	6	-
Total known complaints filed . . . . .	2,122	100.0	803	3	177	12	64	516	31	1,319	733	528	58
Misdemeanor complaint . . . . .	1,648	77.7	329	-	63	8	13	232	13	1,319	733	528	58
Incomplete <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	826	39.0	163	-	32	2	9	110	10	663	346	281	36
Lower court disposition . . . . .	822	38.7	166	-	31	6	4	122	3	656	387	247	22
Dismissed . . . . .	158	7.4	31	-	4	1	1	25	-	127	74	50	3
Acquitted . . . . .	8	0.4	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	6	4	1	1
Convicted . . . . .	656	30.9	133	-	27	4	3	96	3	523	309	196	18
Sentence . . . . .													
Probation . . . . .	240	11.3	36	-	3	1	1	30	1	204	118	73	13
Probation and jail . . . . .	245	11.5	53	-	14	-	-	38	1	192	122	65	5
Jail . . . . .	123	5.8	34	-	8	3	2	20	1	89	46	43	-
Fine . . . . .	47	2.2	9	-	1	-	-	8	-	38	23	15	-
Civil commitment . . . . .	1	0.1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Felony complaint . . . . .	474	22.3	474	3	114	4	51	284	18	-	-	-	-
Incomplete <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	267	12.5	267	-	65	2	33	155	12	-	-	-	-
Terminated in lower court . . . . .	155	7.3	155	2	23	1	15	109	5	-	-	-	-
Certified to juvenile court . . . . .	2	0.1	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Dismissed . . . . .	59	2.8	59	2	16	-	2	36	3	-	-	-	-
Convicted . . . . .	94	4.4	94	-	7	1	13	71	2	-	-	-	-
Felony charge, Section 17 PC . . . . .	22	1.0	22	-	3	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-
Reduced to misdemeanor . . . . .	72	3.4	72	-	4	1	13	52	2	-	-	-	-
Sentence . . . . .													
Probation . . . . .	55	2.6	55	-	5	1	6	42	1	-	-	-	-
Probation and jail . . . . .	15	0.7	15	-	-	-	3	11	1	-	-	-	-

TABLE 8 - Continued

## JUVENILE AND ADULT ARREST CASES INVOLVING ILLEGAL WEAPON CHARGES, FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1972

## Disposition and Sentence by Arrest Offense

Disposition and sentence	Total	Percent	Total felony arrests	Possession by convict	Ex-con with weapon	Alter I.D. of gun	Concealed weapon w/prior	Prohibited weapons	Tear gas or silencer
Jail . . . . .	16	0.7	16	-	2	-	4	10	-
Fine . . . . .	8	0.4	8	-	-	-	-	8	-
Disposed of in superior court . . . . .	52	2.5	52	1	26	1	3	20	1
Dismissed . . . . .	4	0.2	4	-	2	-	1	1	-
Acquitted . . . . .	1	0.1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Convicted . . . . .	47	2.2	47	1	24	1	2	18	1
Sentence . . . . .									
Prison . . . . .	7	0.3	7	1	4	-	-	2	-
Probation . . . . .	21	1.0	21	-	9	1	2	8	1
Probation and jail . . . . .	13	0.6	13	-	7	-	-	6	-
Jail . . . . .	4	0.2	4	-	2	-	-	2	-
Fine . . . . .	2	0.1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-

<sup>a</sup>Complaints filed - disposition not reported.

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