

jumped from 712 to 2,956, or 315 percent. The bulk of the arrests in all these counties were for marihuana offenses.

LSD-connected arrests among juveniles were about twice the proportion among adults—6.1 versus 3.4 percent. The apparent LSD-only arrests amounted to 2.8 percent of the juvenile total. Also, as among adults, the drug appears to be more prevalent in the non-Los Angeles area of the State than in Los Angeles County.

SUMMARY

The preliminary 1967 statistics indicate a marked rise in adult drug arrests and an even greater increase in juvenile. In both cases the major sources of the increase were marihuana and dangerous drug violations.

A trend noted in 1966 toward a spread of drug activity (as defined by arrests) to areas of the State outside Los Angeles County is confirmed by first-half 1967 data which show a continued increase in the non-Los Angeles County proportion of arrests.

The proportion of new offenders has increased substantially. The primary offenses in which novice arrestees were involved were marihuana and dangerous drugs.

A preliminary study by the bureau indicates that 1 in 8 marihuana offenders first arrested in 1960 had become involved with heroin by the end of 1965. This relationship, not necessarily one of cause and effect, might help explain the fairly substantial increases noted in heroin-type offenses during the first half of 1967.

TABLE 1.—ARRESTS OF ADULTS FOR DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS REPORTED BY CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, 1960 THROUGH 1967

[Offense by 1st half year arrest]

Offense	1st half year arrest								Percent change, 1967 over 1966	Percent change, 1967 over 1960
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967		
Total.....	8,536	8,573	8,599	8,211	9,423	11,146	12,787	20,134	57.5	135.9
Marihuana.....	2,194	1,627	1,651	2,194	2,920	4,266	5,962	11,587	94.3	428.1
Heroin and other narcotics.....	1,085	1,067	958	1,026	1,355	1,219	1,280	1,471	14.9	35.6
Narcotic addict or user.....	3,033	3,143	2,303	1,540	1,945	1,881	1,818	2,328	28.1	-23.2
Dangerous drugs.....	1,475	1,950	2,829	2,363	1,989	3,065	2,915	3,808	30.6	158.2
Other offenses ¹	749	786	858	1,088	1,214	715	812	940	15.8	25.5

¹ Other offenses include prescription violations, possession of narcotic paraphernalia, etc. Prior to 1965 driving offenses and all Federal violations were included. Beginning with 1965, Federal violations are shown under the more descriptive offense groups whenever appropriate.

Note: Data are subject to change as additional arrest information is received.

TABLE 2.—ARRESTS OF ADULTS FOR DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS REPORTED BY CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, JAN. 1, 1967, THROUGH JUNE 30, 1967

[Offense by month of arrest]

Offense	Total	Month of arrest					
		January	February	March	April	May	June
Total.....	20,134	3,181	3,050	3,493	3,299	3,750	3,361
Marihuana.....	11,587	1,709	1,684	1,960	1,888	2,254	2,092
Heroin and other narcotics.....	1,471	273	234	255	281	244	184
Narcotic addict or user.....	2,328	432	367	427	404	375	323
Dangerous drugs.....	3,809	630	601	657	582	719	619
Other offenses ¹	940	137	164	194	144	158	143

¹ Other offenses include prescription violations, possession of narcotic paraphernalia, etc.

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