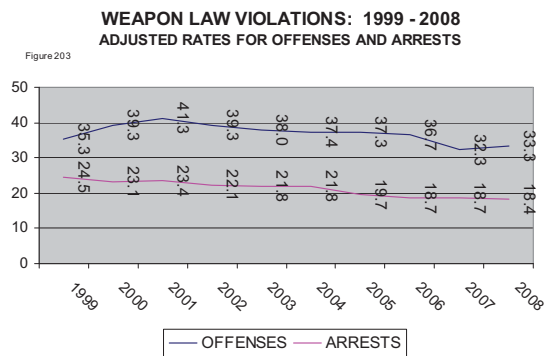
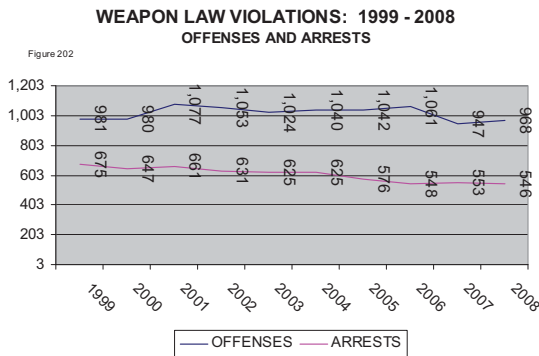


WEAPONS LAW VIOLATIONS

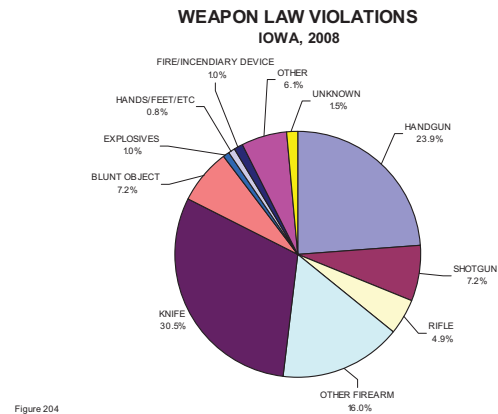
“The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacturing, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.”

2008 WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	
Number of Incidents	968
Adjusted Rate	33.3
Percent Increase	3.1%
Number of Arrests	546



Weapon Law Violations recorded a decade high number of offenses and adjusted rate in 2001 (1,077 or 41.3 per 100,000 population). Adjusted rates have generally declined over the decade with the exception of a 17% increase from 1999 to 2001 and a 3.1% increase from 2007 to 2008. Overall, adjusted rates have declined 19.4% since 2001. The highest arrest rate was recorded in 1999 with 24.5 arrests per 100,000 population. In 2008, the arrest rate was the lowest for the decade recording 18.4 arrests per 100,000 population.

2008 WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS		
Table 80 BY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY		
	#	%
Buying/Receiving	1	0.1
Manufacturing	2	0.2
Distrib/Selling	2	0.2
Exploiting Children	0	0
Operating/Promoting	0	0
Possessing/Concealing	848	88.9
Transporting/Import.	12	1.3
Using	89	9.3



In 2008, illegally possessing or concealing a weapon accounted for 88.9% of the weapon law violations. More than half of the weapons were classified as some type of firearm while a knife or cutting instrument accounted for 30.5%. Among incident locations, “Highway/Roadway” was the most reported offense location accounting for 47.5% followed by “Residence/Farm” with 24.1%.

ARRESTS

WEAPON LAW VIOLATION ARRESTS BY GENDER
IOWA, 2008

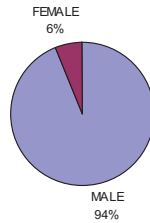
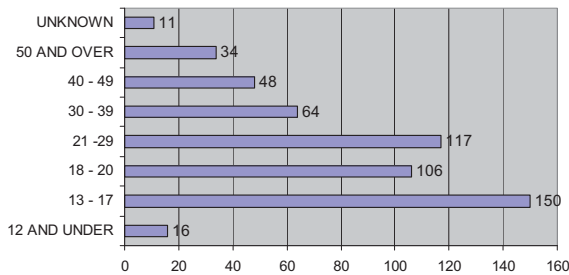


Figure 205

Males accounted for 94% (512 offenders) of the recorded arrests in 2008, while females recorded 6% (34 offenders). White adult males were the most arrested group of persons accounting for 47% of the total arrests followed by White juvenile males with 19%.

WEAPON LAW VIOLATION ARRESTS BY AGE GROUP
IOWA, 2008

Figure 206



WEAPON LAW VIOLATION ARRESTS BY RACE
IOWA, 2008

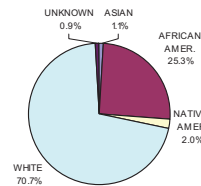


Figure 207

In 2008, the age group 13 - 17 (150 arrests) was the most often arrested for weapon law violations, accounting for 27.5% of the total number of arrests, followed by 21 – 29 year olds (117) with 21.4%. Adults (359) accounted for 65.7% of the arrests while juveniles (153) recorded 28.0%. Among race, White individuals accounted for 70.7% of the arrests followed by African Americans with 25.3%.

Table 81 2008 WEAPON LAW VIOLATION ARRESTS BY RACE AND AGE GROUP										
AGE GROUP	FEMALE				MALE					TOTAL
	ASIAN	AFRICAN AMER.	NATIVE AMER.	WHITE	ASIAN	AFRICAN AMER.	NATIVE AMER.	UNK	WHITE	
12 & UNDER				4		2			10	16
13 - 17		1		8	2	39	6	2	92	150
18 - 20				4		32			70	106
21 - 29	1	2		2	2	35	1		74	117
30 - 39		1		2		11	1		49	64
40 - 49		2		2	1	7	2	1	33	48
50 & OVER			1	3		5		1	24	34
UNKNOWN				1		1		1	8	11
TOTAL	1	6	1	26	5	132	10	5	360	546