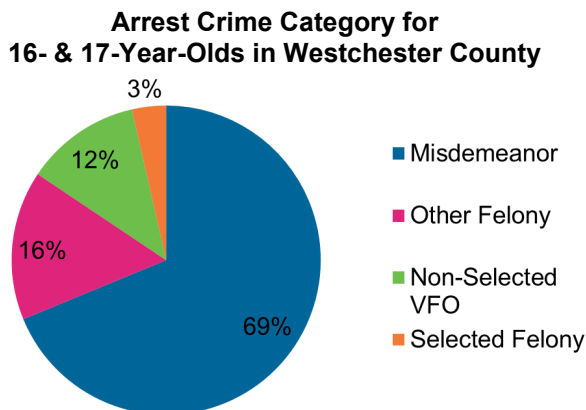


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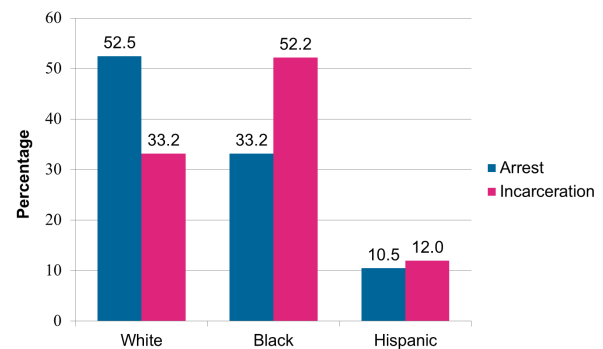
If your 16- or 17-year-old is arrested...
**the police don't have to call you
even though you're the parent?**

New York is one of only 2 states where 16- & 17-year-olds are automatically prosecuted as adults.



Criminal Justice Case Processing of 16-17 Year Olds. Prepared by New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Justice Research and Performance, January 4, 2013.

Arrest & Incarceration Rates by Race/Ethnicity in the Rest of State (not New York City)



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Which justice system 16- & 17-year-olds are processed in makes all the difference...

Youth that are tried and incarcerated with adults are more likely to re-offend — and to commit more serious crimes.

Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy. Policy Brief: New York: It Is Time to Raise the Age (October 2013). Retrieved from: http://www.scaany.org/documents/ny_timetoraisetheage_oct2013.pdf

Juvenile System

Age-appropriate services

Parental involvement

Records are confidential

Adult System

Limited rehabilitative services

Can be put in solitary confinement

Permanent Criminal Record

Raise the Age New York Comparison of the Youth Justice System and Adult Justice System in New York State. Retrieved from: <http://raisetheage.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Comparison-of-NYS-Juvenile-and-Adult-Justice-Systems.pdf>

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