

Repeat Offense Data Reported by States

The following information was reported to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) by States. NHTSA requested this information from States whose data systems are configured to generate such reports in an effort to assess the scope of the national DWI recidivism problem.

High numbers of repeat DWI arrests are a serious national problem. Approximately 1.5 million DWI arrests are made each year and NHTSA estimates that about one-third of offenders have previous DWI arrests.

Number of Convictions

State	3 or More	5 or More	10 or More	15 or More	20+	Most by 1 Person
Alabama	54,043	22,306	2,313	365	51	33
Arkansas	34,554	14,417	1,428	235	64	40
California	310,971	44,210	355	3	NA	NA
Connecticut	15,723	2,743	66	1	0	16
District of Columbia	32	2	0	0	0	5
Florida	108,853	13,054	360	31	4	27
Georgia	45,598	5,782	34	0	0	14
Iowa	10,128	593	1	0	0	11
Illinois	49,527	5,659	123	9	1	22
Kentucky	7,956	**1,347	NA	NA	NA	NA
Massachusetts	22,253	4,840	32	2	1	21
Maine	21,759	3,875	53	1	0	16
Maryland	25,120	3,980	62	3	1	21
New Jersey	19,841	1,681	42	3	0	16
North Dakota	372	35	1	1	1	NA
Ohio	147,000	33,000	NA	NA	NA	NA
Rhode Island	3,408	531	12	2	0	17
South Carolina	14,148	1,968	24	0	0	13
Tennessee	54,081	16,602	717	52	2	21
Texas	124,662	18,271	NA	NA	NA	22
Vermont	6,069	833	8	1	0	18
Washington	19,783	2,103	18	2	0	18
West Virginia	27,837	10,549	582	42	11	30
Wisconsin	33,166	5,042	23	1	NA	NA

Notes:

Many States do not have the software configuration to generate this data without investing in programming changes to modify their data systems. NHTSA collected data in April 2008 from those States with data systems configured to allow its collection without additional expenditure of resources. Look back periods may vary.

- California did not provide data beyond 15 offenses
- Florida information is for convictions only - does not include withdrawal actions including administrative suspension, administrative DUI, refusals
- Kentucky information is limited to the past 5 years. ** Represents 4 or more convictions
- Ohio data was reported on May 7, 2007 by the Columbus-Dispatch
- Texas data source is Texas Department of Transportation
- Wisconsin data source is the WI Department of Transportation and is from 1989 to February 2008
- NA = data not available