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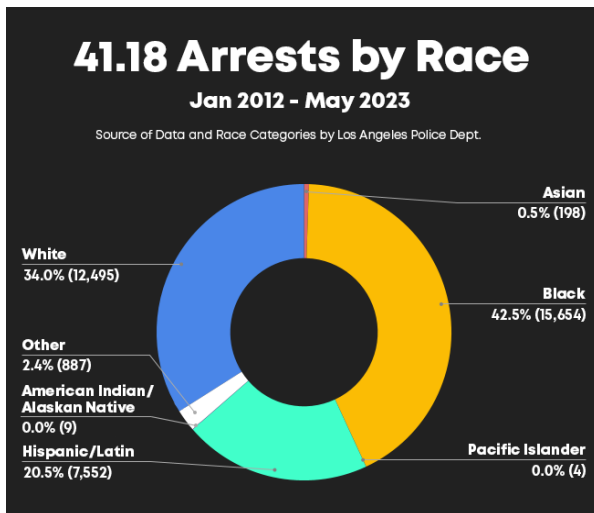
LA City Controller Kenneth Mejia Releases a Map of LAMC 41.18 Arrests from January 2012 to May 2023

The Office of the LA City Controller released a map and analysis that show details of arrests from January 2012 to May 2023 under LA Municipal Code 41.18, which criminalizes sitting, lying, and sleeping, or placing personal property in the public right-of-way in certain instances. The data was obtained from the Los Angeles Police Department.

URL: 4118arrests.lacontroller.io

The map has filters for users to view 41.18 arrests by race, year, City Council district, type of arrest (misdemeanor or infraction), and time of day.

Analysis of the arrest data from January 2012 to May 2023 show a disproportionate amount of arrests of Black people relative to the overall population. 43% of those arrested were Black. Black people are 8% of the general population of the City of LA.

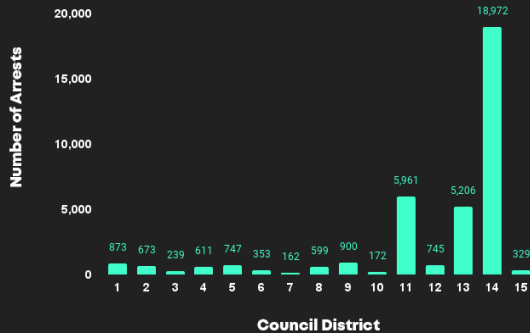


41.18 Arrests by Race (Jan 2012 - May 2023):

Black: 43%
White: 34%
Hispanic/Latin: 21%
Other: 2%

41.18 Arrests by Council District Jan 2012 - May 2023

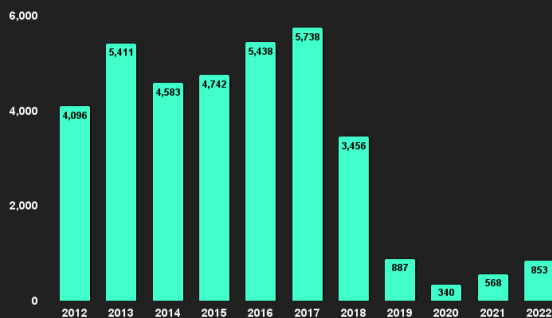
Source of Data: Los Angeles Police Dept.



The arrest data from Jan 2012 to May 2023 also shows a concentration of arrests in Council District 14, followed by District 11 and District 13. Over 50% of 41.18 arrests were in Council District 14 (includes Skid Row, DTLA). 16% of arrests were in CD11 (includes Venice), and 14% of arrests were in CD13 (includes Hollywood). All other Council Districts had less than 3% of arrests each.

Number of 41.18 Arrests 2012-2022

Source of Data: Los Angeles Police Dept.



From 2012-2022, LAPD made over 36,000 41.18 arrests.

Average arrests/year:

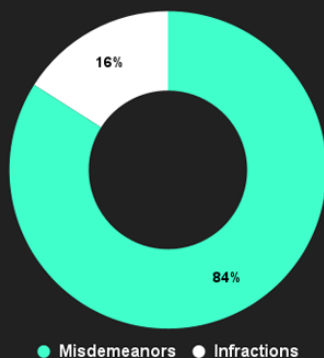
2012-2018: 4,781

2019-2022: 662

The drop in arrests followed the 2018 court ruling in the case *Martin v. Boise*, barring cities from enforcing anti-camping laws without offering adequate shelter.

41.18 Arrests by Type Jan 2012 - May 2023

Source of Data: Los Angeles Police Dept.



The overwhelming majority of 41.18 arrests from Jan 2012 to May 2023 are misdemeanors. 41.18 violations can be cited as either infractions or misdemeanors. Infractions can lead to a fine of up to \$2,500. Misdemeanors can result in a fine plus up to six months in jail.

Misdemeanors: 84%

Infractions: 16%

