

Automatic Record Relief Mandated Statistics

Data Set Overview and History

The Department of Justice (DOJ) is mandated to annually publish statistics for each county regarding the total number of arrests and convictions granted Automatic Record Relief (ARR) pursuant to Sections 851.93 and 1203.425 of the Penal Code (PC). The ARR program automatically reviews statewide criminal justice databases, maintained by DOJ, to identify and grant ARR to qualifying arrests and convictions.¹

Statutory Authority

DOJ is mandated to report this data pursuant to Sections 851.93(f) and 1203.425(a)(6) of the Penal Code.

Data Characteristics and Known Limitations

The following information and limitations should be considered when using ARR data:

1. This data reflects ARR granted between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025.
2. Receiving ARR is not a dismissal, sealing, or expungement of an individual's state summary criminal history information record. Arrests and convictions receiving ARR will remain on an individual's criminal history record. Individuals receiving ARR for eligible arrests or convictions may have other arrests and convictions on their records that have not yet received relief or that are not eligible to receive relief. Arrests and convictions receiving ARR will be disclosed as required under PC 11105 or other provisions of law.
3. Cells in column D with zeros indicate that no records have been prohibited from relief in that county as of December 31, 2025.
4. The percentage of arrests without a disposition in column E covers arrests in the state summary criminal history information repository for all years from 1921 to 2025.
5. Improvements to the Department's methodology for counting open arrests were identified in 2024, resulting in a larger number of open arrests identified in the 2024 and 2025 arrests without disposition statistics. Therefore, the percent of total arrests without disposition for 2024 and 2025 are not directly comparable to prior years' data.

¹ For further information about ARR, please review this webpage: [Automatic Record Relief - Penal Code sections 851.93 and 1203.425 | State of California - Department of Justice - Office of the Attorney General](#).

Data Elements and Values Defined

Cell Location	Data Element	Description/Definition	Value
A	County	Name of county	Alpha
B	Arrests granted relief per PC 851.93	Total number of arrests granted automatic record relief pursuant to Section 851.93 of the Penal Code in 2025	Numeric Count
C	Convictions granted relief per PC 1203.425	Total number of convictions granted automatic record relief pursuant to Section 1203.425 of the Penal Code in 2025	Numeric Count
D	Prohibited from relief per PC 1203.425	Total number of convictions that were prohibited from automatic record relief pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1203.425 of the Penal Code in 2025	Numeric Count
E	Percentage of total arrests without disposition	Percent of total arrests in the state summary criminal history information repository, maintained by DOJ, that do not include a disposition	Numeric Percentage