

# Ramsey County Arrest Data

## 2016-2020

Community Advisory Board  
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## Data

- Arrests of adults and youths in Ramsey County from 2016 to 2020
- Demographic data on Ramsey County residents from 2016 to 2020

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## Data Sources

### Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

- Lauderdale, Maplewood, Mounds View, New Brighton, North St. Paul, Roseville, St. Paul, and White Bear Lake police departments.
- Sheriff's Office, which provides patrol services, responds to calls for services, and makes arrests in Arden Hills, Falcon Heights, Little Canada, North Oaks, Shoreview, Vadnais Heights, and White Bear Township.
- Excludes St. Anthony Village, Metro Transit, and University of Minnesota police departments.

### U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

- Easy Access to Juvenile Populations

# Presentation Overview

## Total arrests of adults and youths

### Total arrests of adults

- Suburbs and St. Paul
- Race
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- Offense
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  - Race and Suburbs and St. Paul

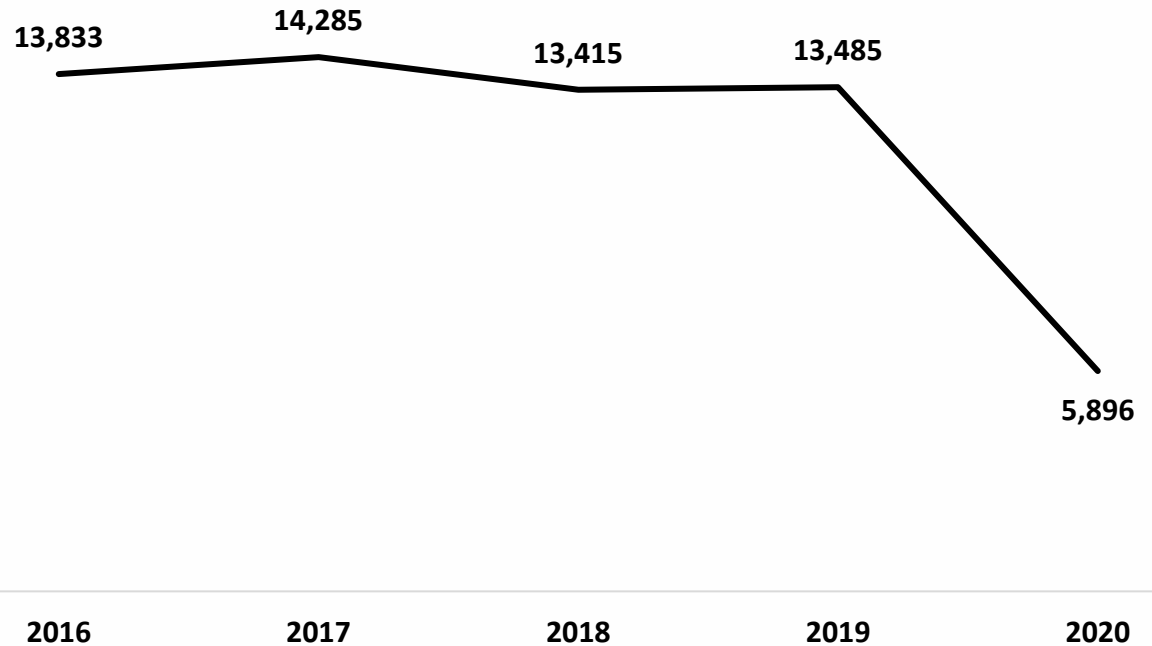
### Total arrests of youths

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# Total Arrests

**TOTAL ARRESTS**

**Adults and youths arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies, 2016-2020**



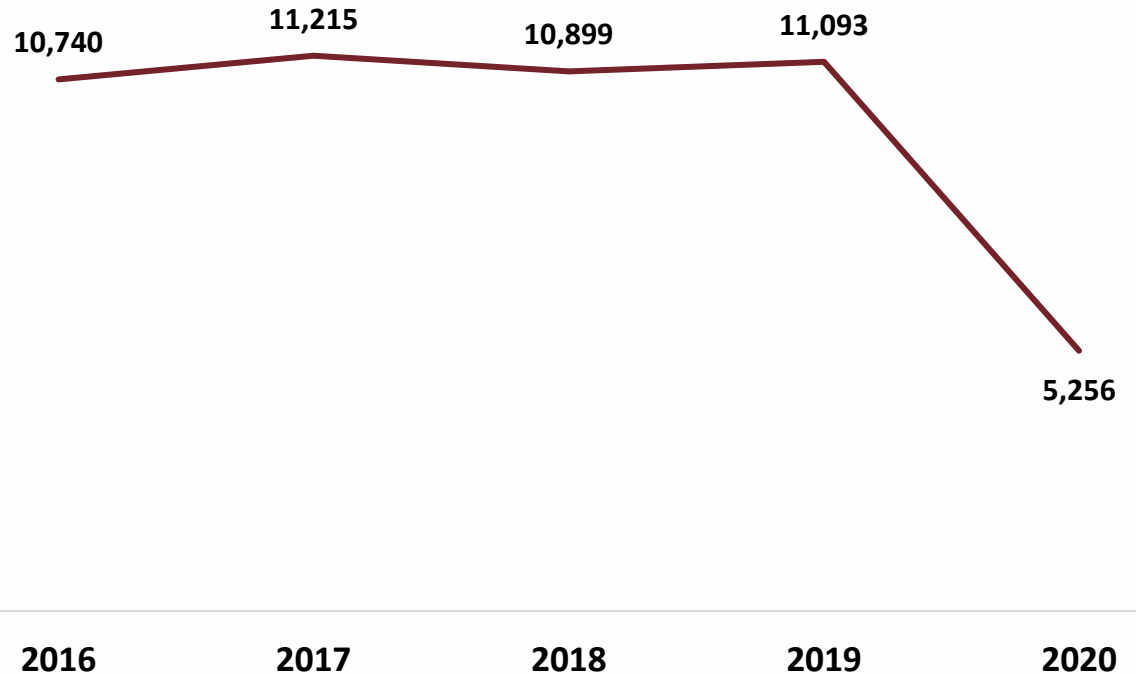
Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested about 14,000 people each year from 2016 to 2019.

Arrests sharply declined by 56% in 2020.

# Arrests of Adults

# ADULT ARRESTS

**Adults arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies, 2016-2020**



Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested about 11,000 adults each year from 2016 to 2019.

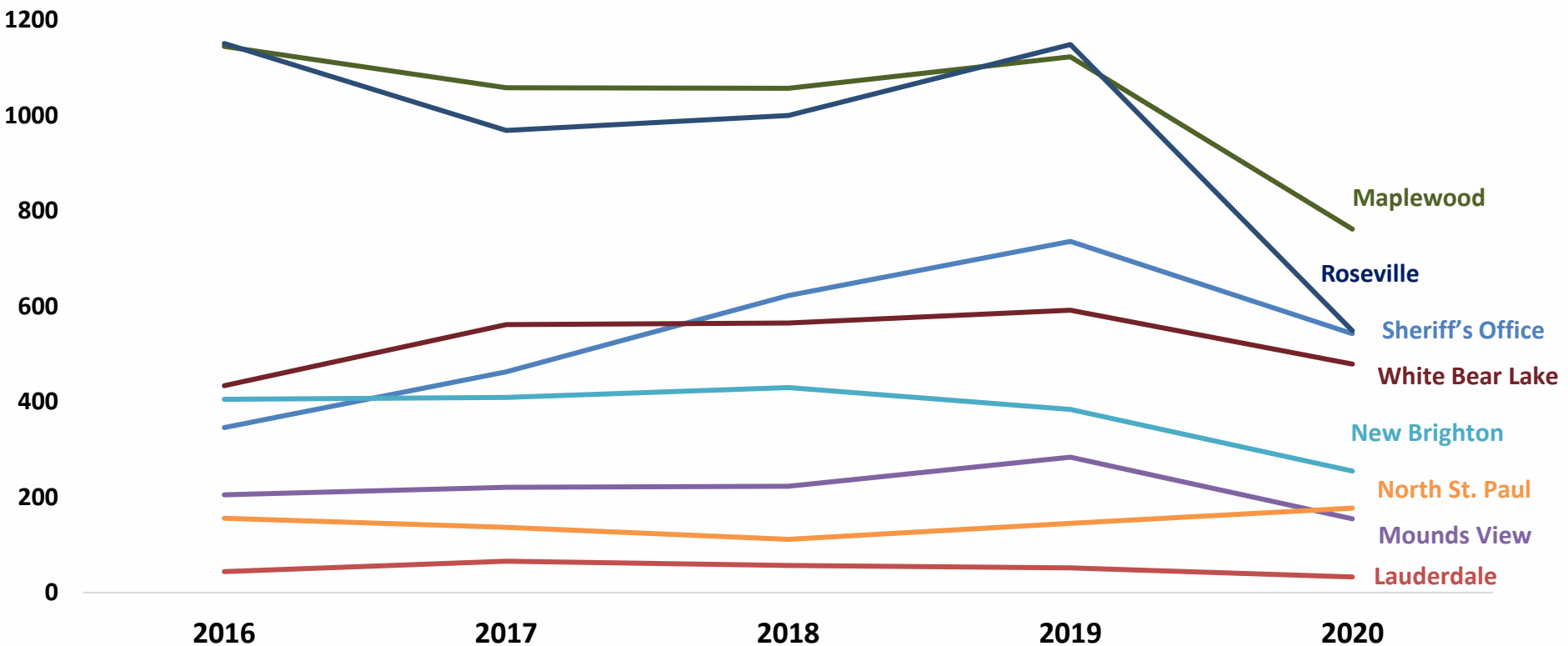
Arrests of adults dropped 53% in 2020.



# ADULT ARRESTS

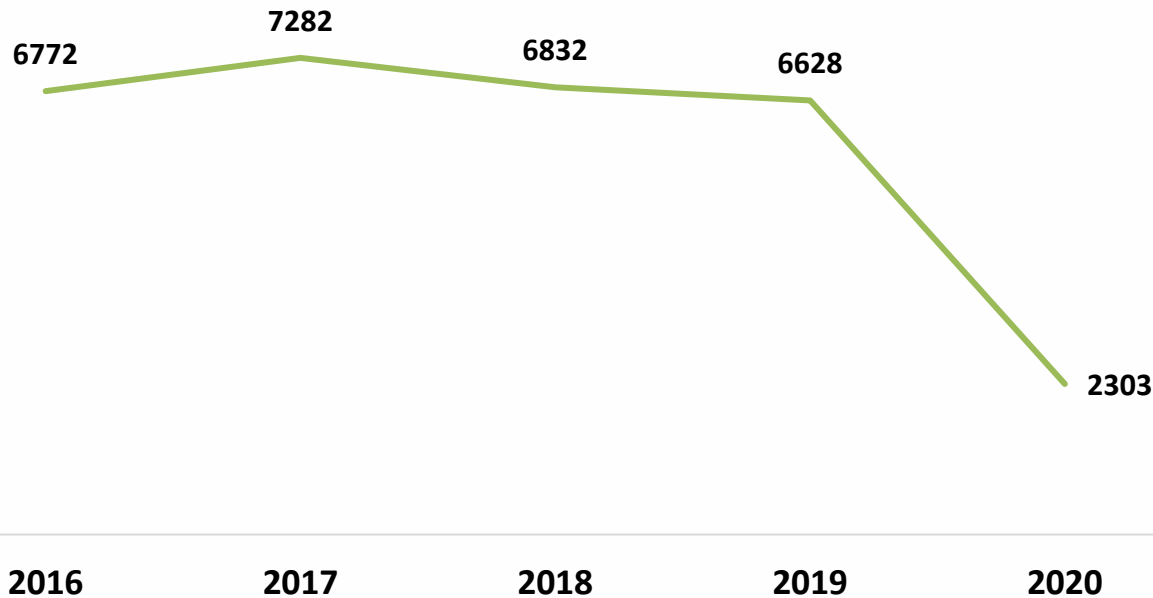
The **Maplewood** and **Roseville** police departments and **Sheriff's Office** arrested varying numbers of adults from 2016 to 2020. All other agencies were consistent.

**Adults arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office, 2016-2020**



# ADULT ARRESTS

**Adults arrested by the St. Paul Police Department,  
2016-2020**



The St. Paul Police Department arrested about 7000 adults each year from 2016 to 2019.

It arrested 65% fewer adults in 2020.

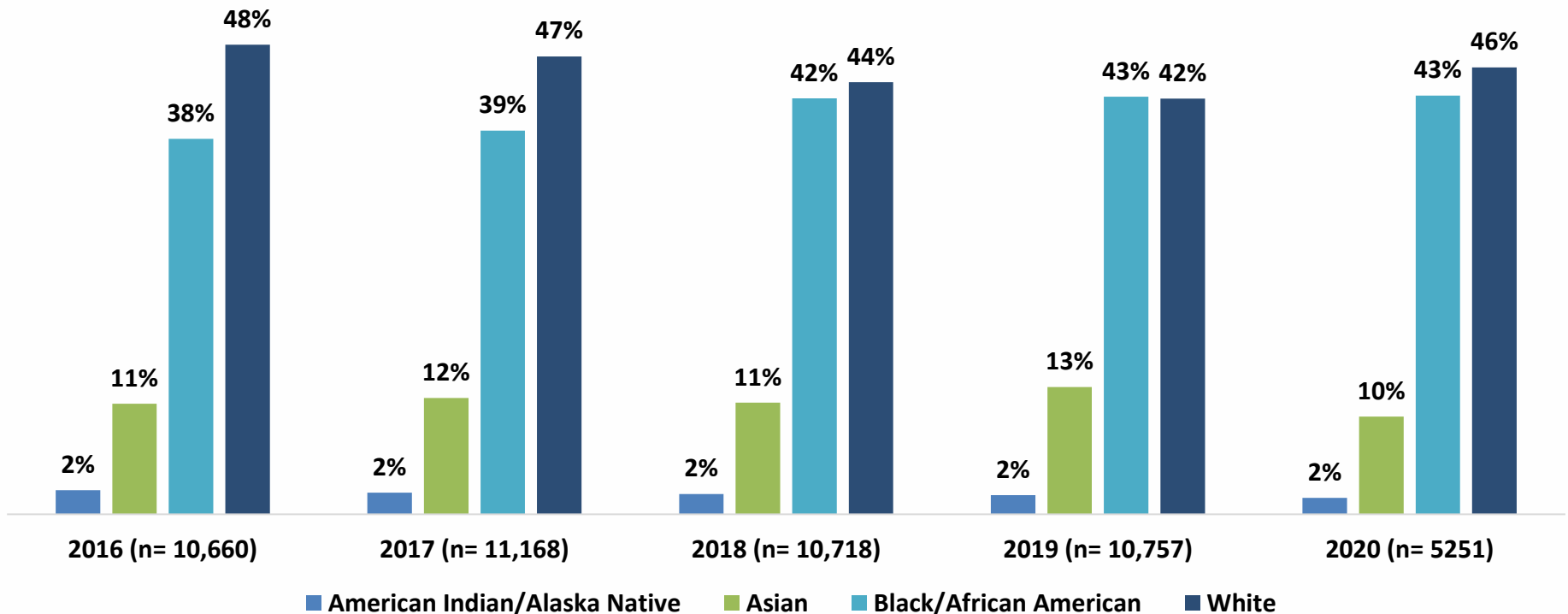
## Arrests by Race

- Law enforcement agencies report the following race categories:
  - American Indian/Alaska Native
  - Black/African American
  - Asian
  - White
- Data on arrests of American Indian/Alaska Native individuals should be interpreted with caution as these data may be underreported.

# ADULT ARRESTS

Racial disparities in arrests increased. The percent of arrests of **Black** adults by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies rose from 38% in 2016 to 43% in 2020.

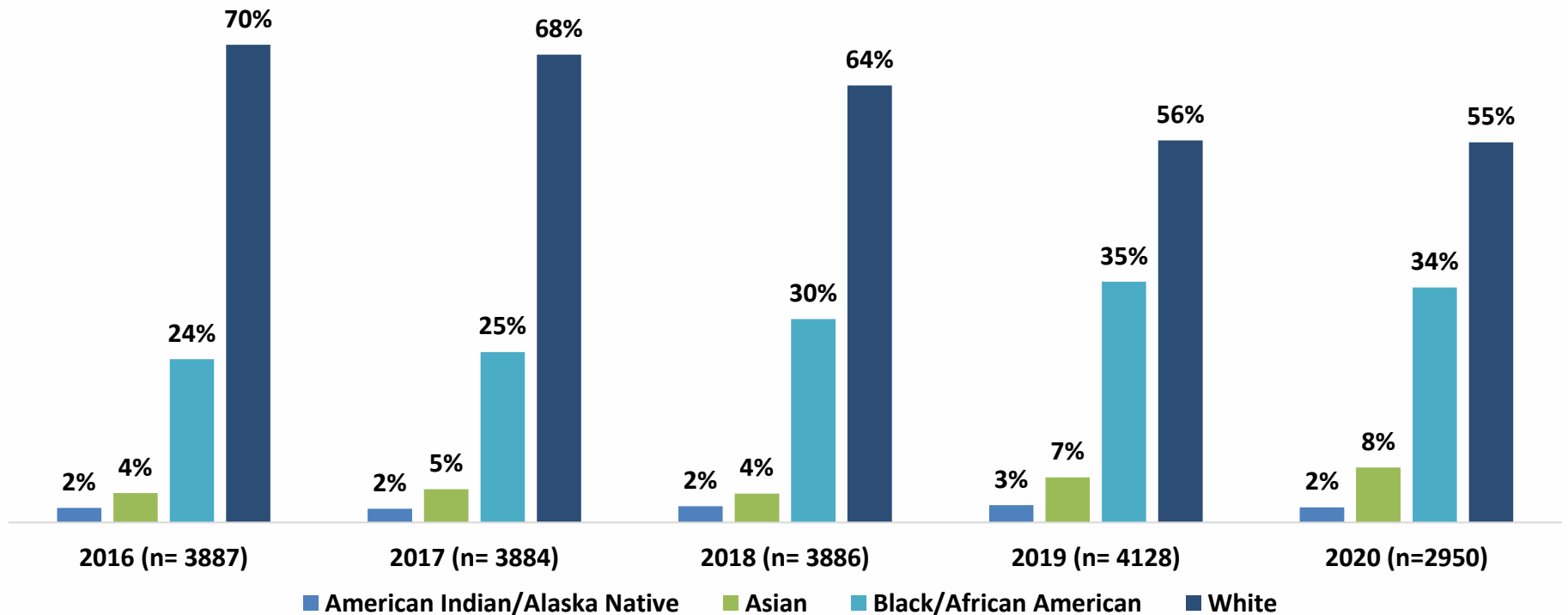
Adults arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies by race, 2016-2020



# ADULT ARRESTS

Arrests of **Black** adults by Ramsey County suburban police departments and the Sheriff's Office increased from 24% in 2016 to 34% in 2020. Arrests of **White** adults decreased from 70% to 55%.

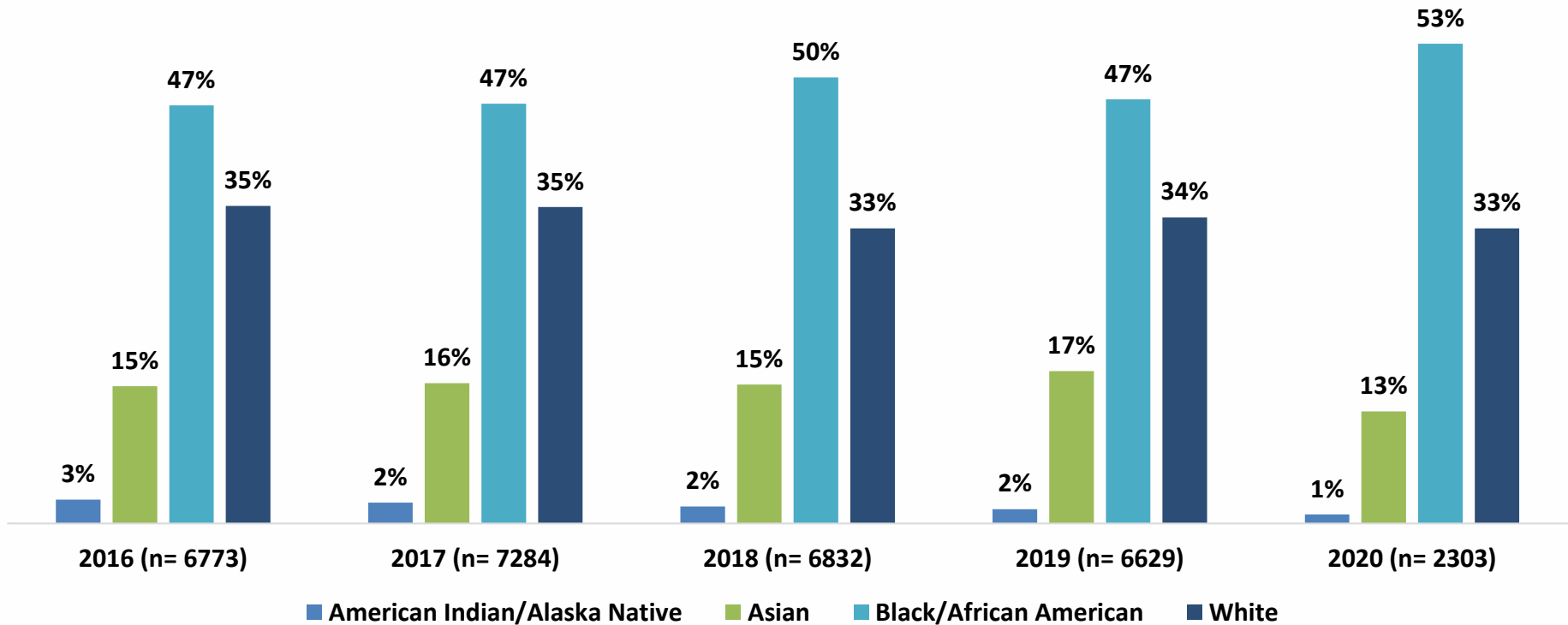
**Adults arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office by race, 2016-2020**



# ADULT ARRESTS

About half the adults arrested by the St. Paul Police Department were **Black** and about one-third were **White**.

Adults arrested by the St. Paul Police Department by race, 2016-2020

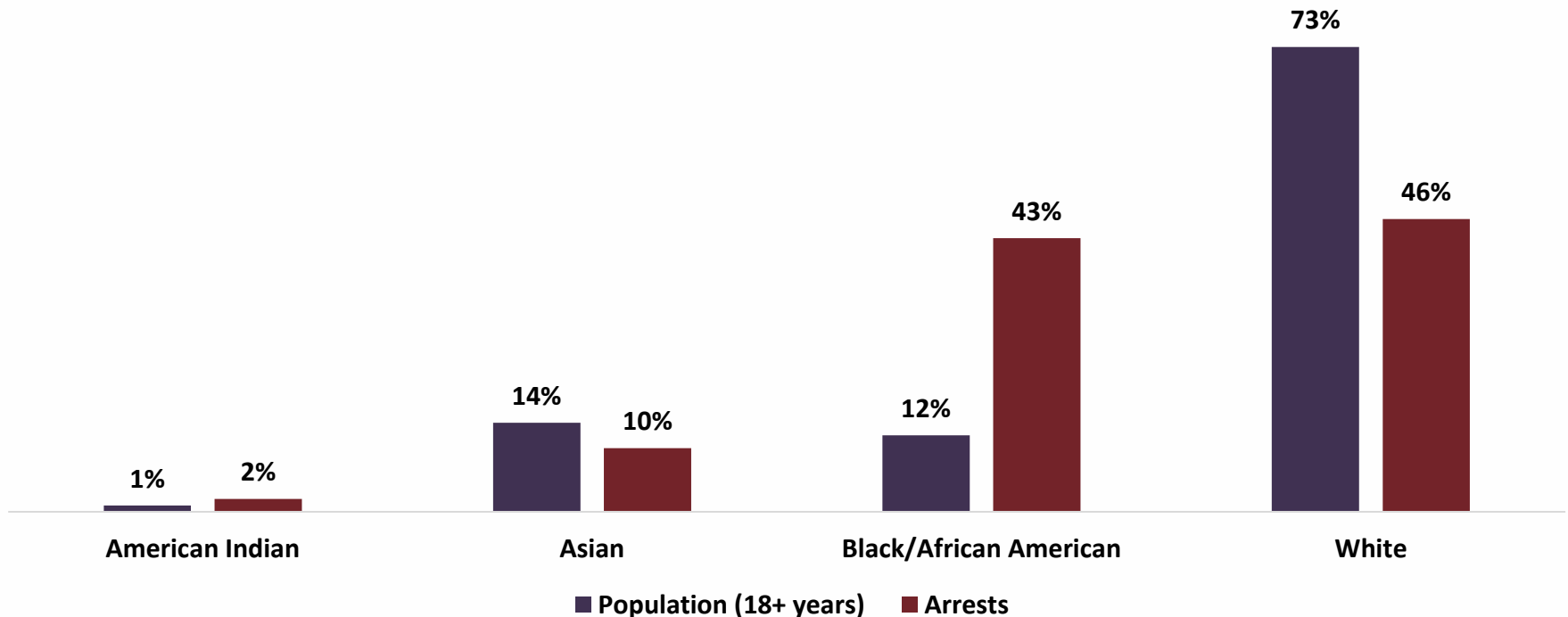


# ADULT ARRESTS

There was significant disproportionality in adult arrests in Ramsey County in 2020.

- Black adults were 12% of the **population** and 43% of those **arrested**.
- White adults were 73% of the **population** and 46% of those **arrested**.

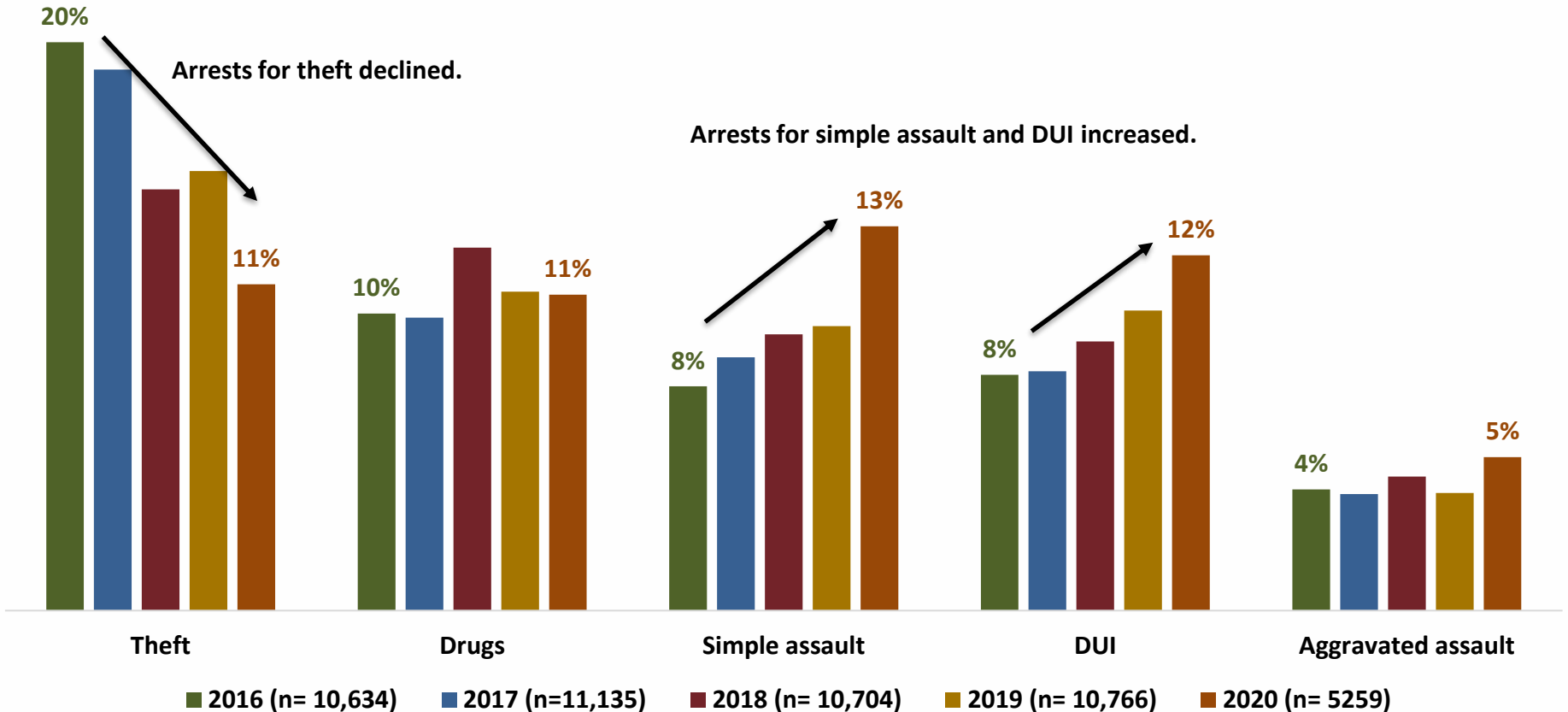
**Ramsey County adults as a percentage of the population and arrests by race, 2020**



# ADULT ARRESTS

From **2016** to **2020**, about half of adults arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies were arrested for the 5 offenses below.

**Top 5 offenses for which Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested adults, 2016-2020**



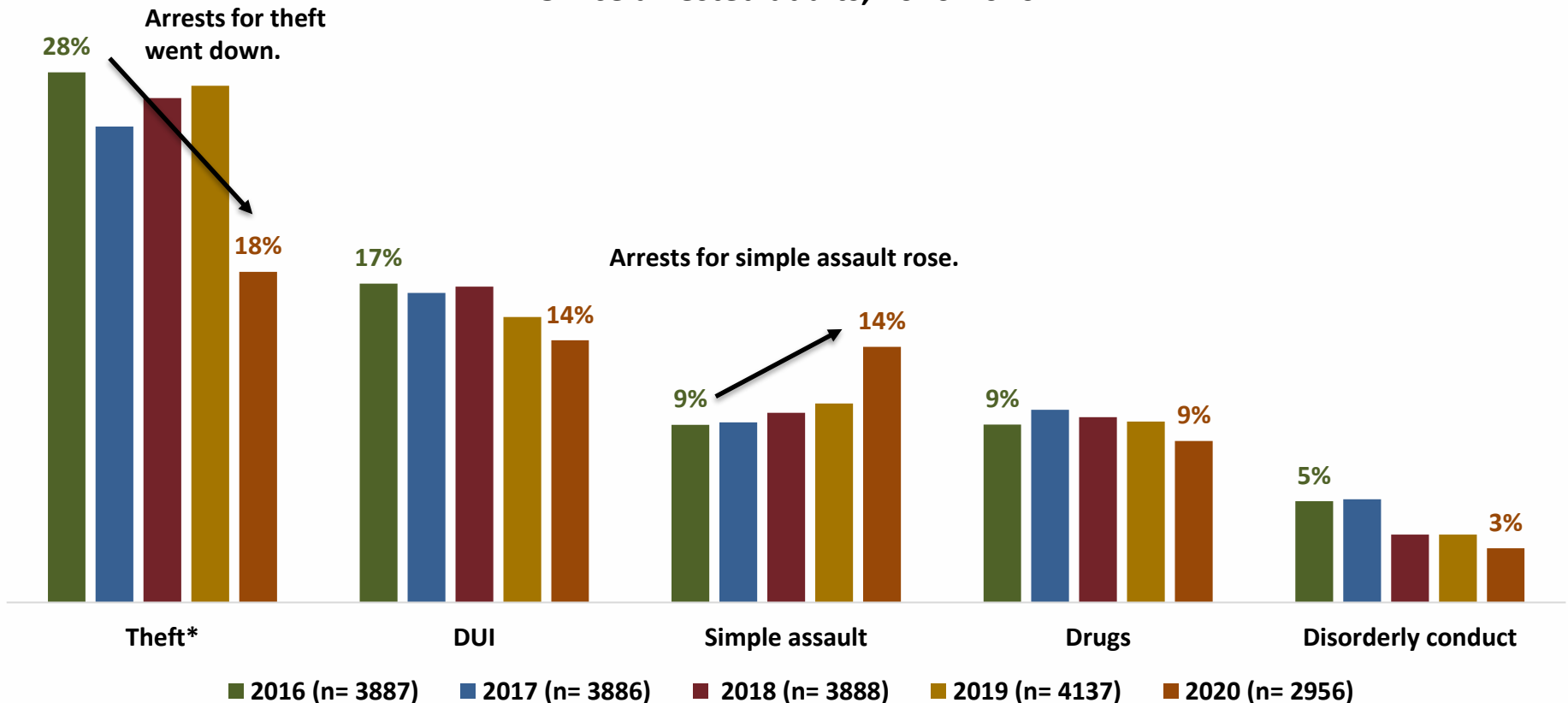
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# ADULT ARRESTS

From **2016** to **2020**, between half and two-thirds of adults arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office were arrested for the 5 offenses below.

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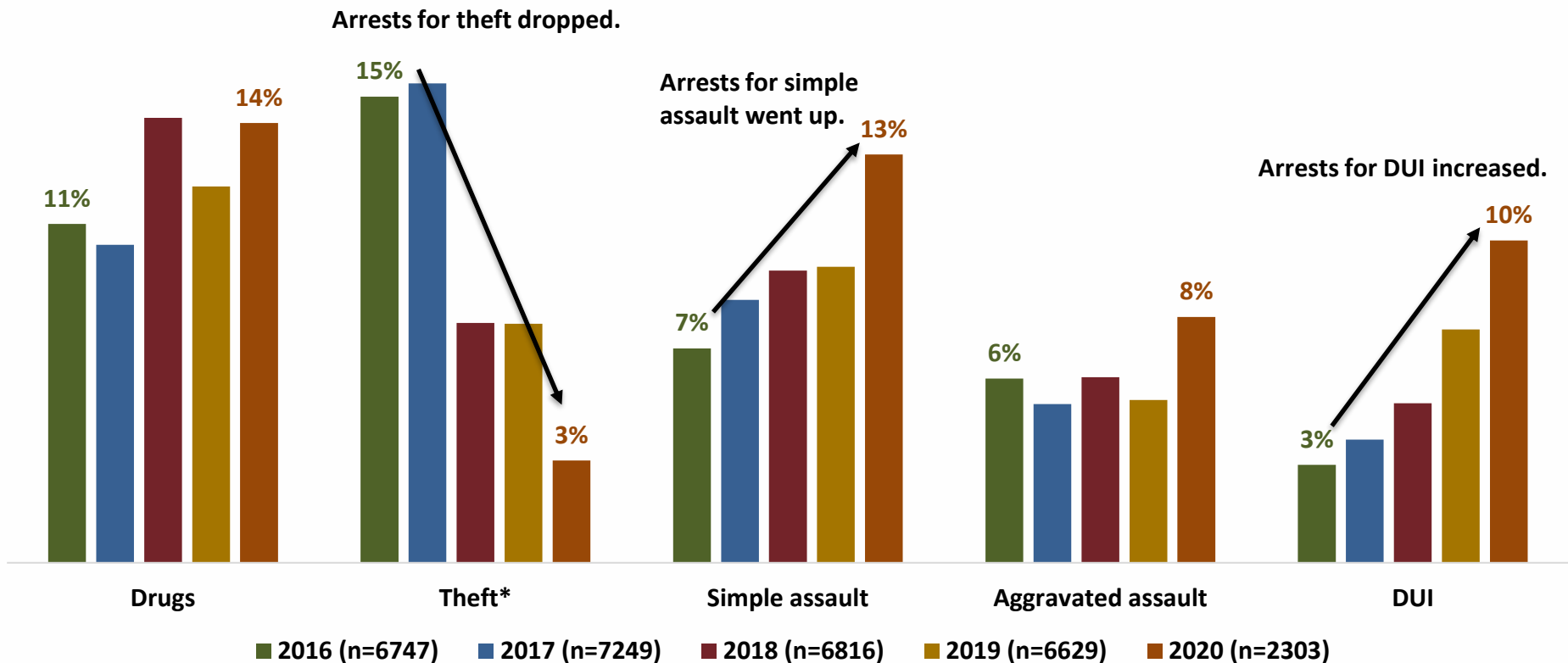


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# ADULT ARRESTS

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**Top 5 offenses for which the St. Paul Police Department arrested adults, 2016-2020**



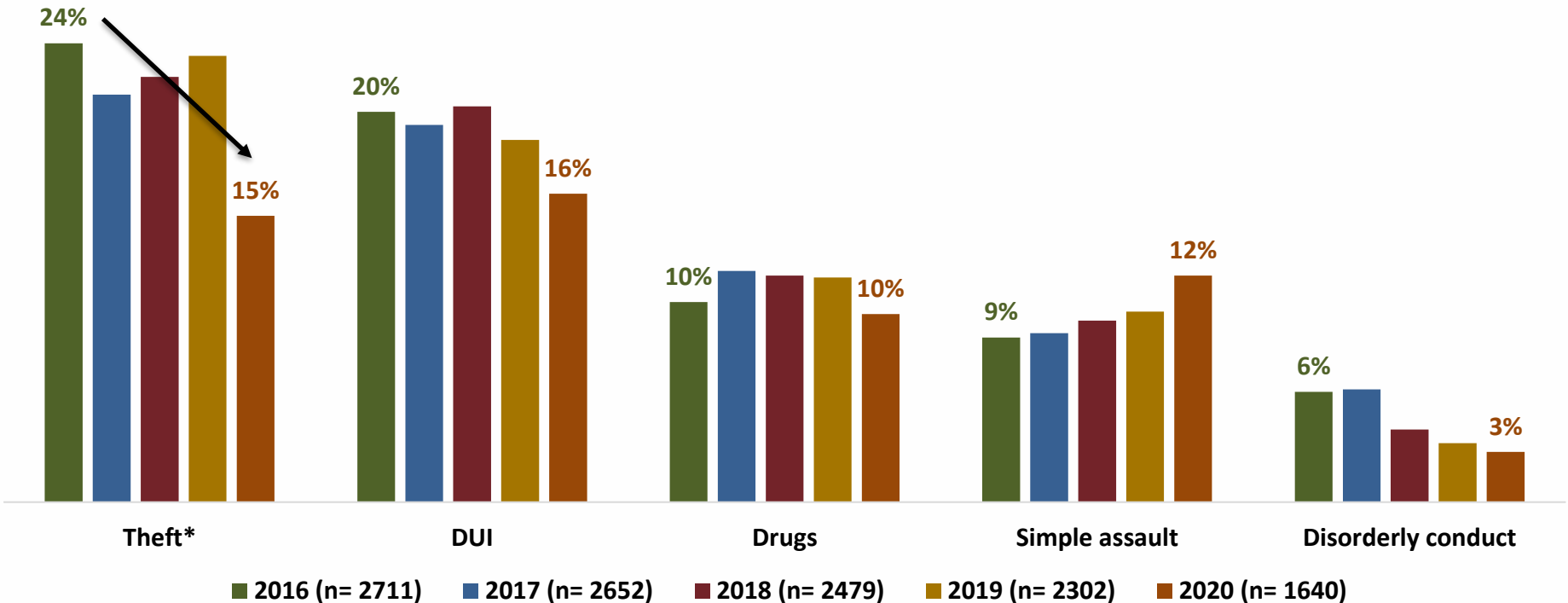
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# ADULT ARRESTS

Two-thirds of arrests of White adults from 2016 to 2019 and half of arrests in 2020 by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff’s Office were for the 5 offenses below.

## Top 5 offenses for which Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office arrested White adults, 2016-2020

Arrests for theft declined.



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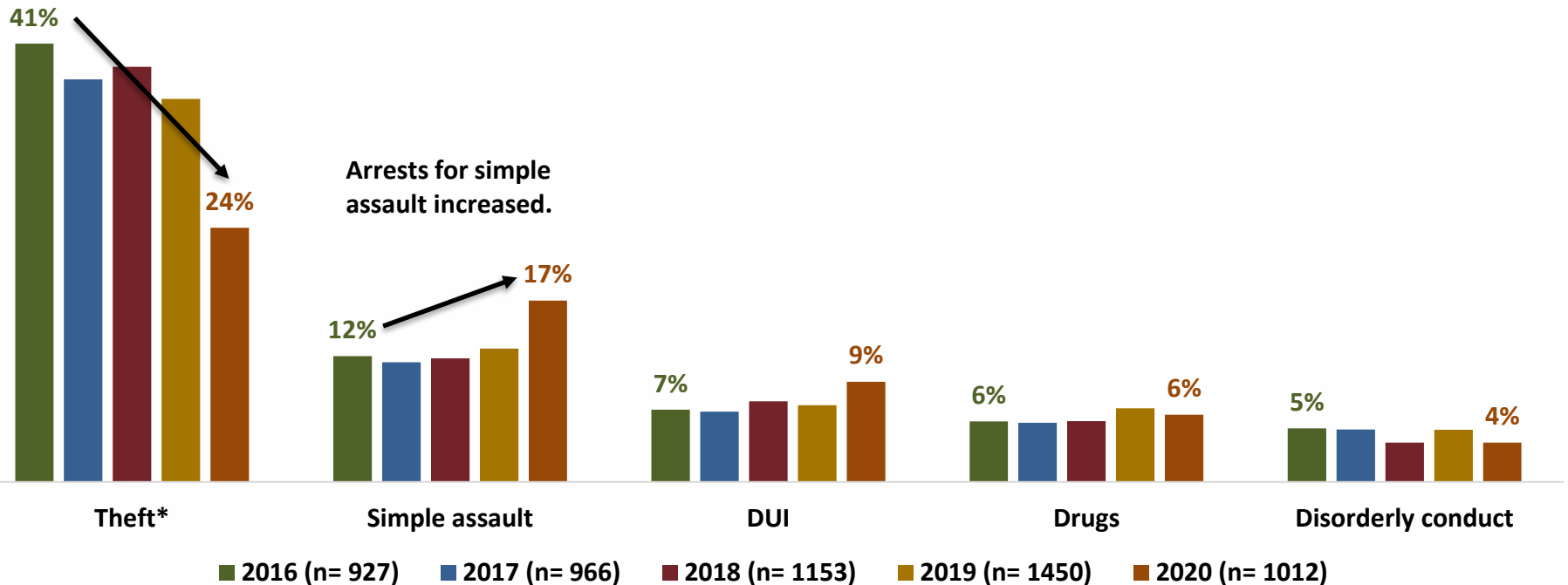
# ADULT ARRESTS

Two-thirds of arrests of Black adults from 2016 to 2019 and half of arrests in 2020 by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff’s Office were for the 5 offenses below.

A substantial proportion of arrests were for theft.

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# ADULT ARRESTS

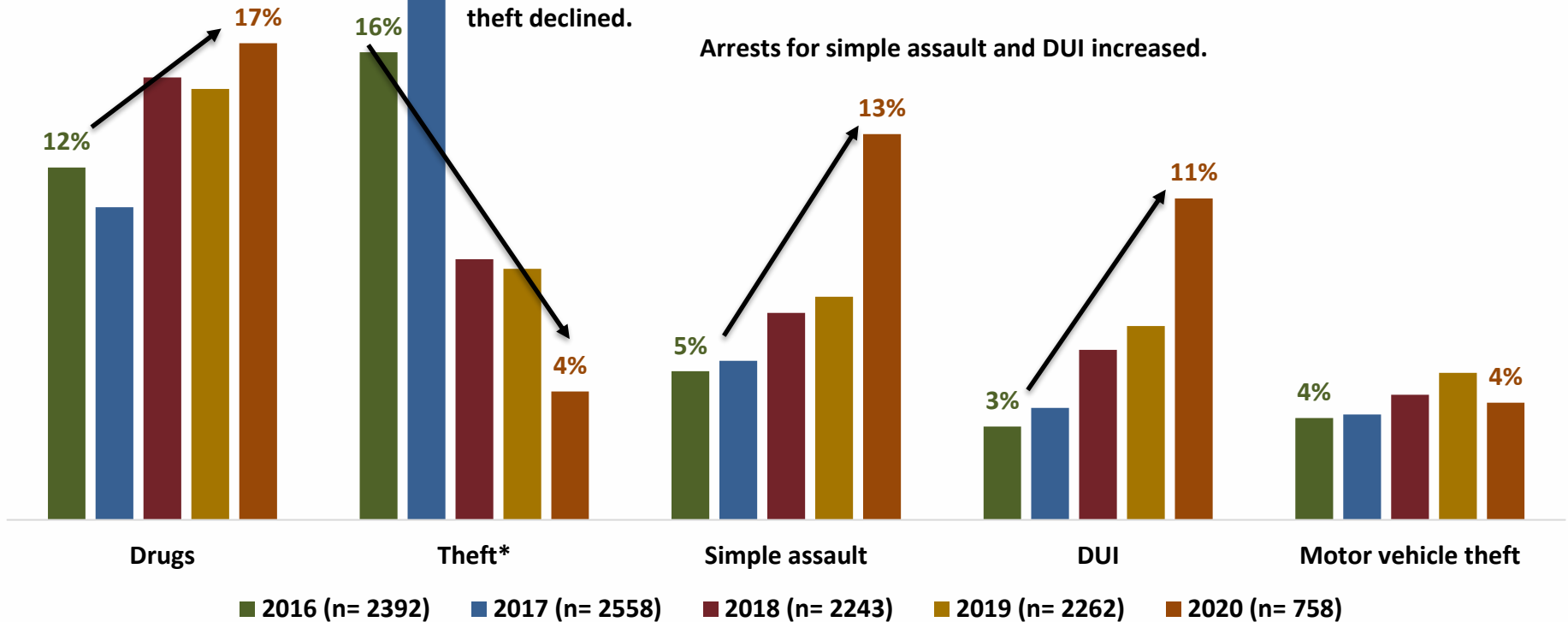
Nearly half of arrests of White adults by the St. Paul Police Department from **2016** to **2020** were for the 5 offenses below.

**Top 5 offenses for which the St. Paul Police Department arrested White adults, 2016-2020**

Arrests for drugs went up.

Arrests for theft declined.

Arrests for simple assault and DUI increased.



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# ADULT ARRESTS

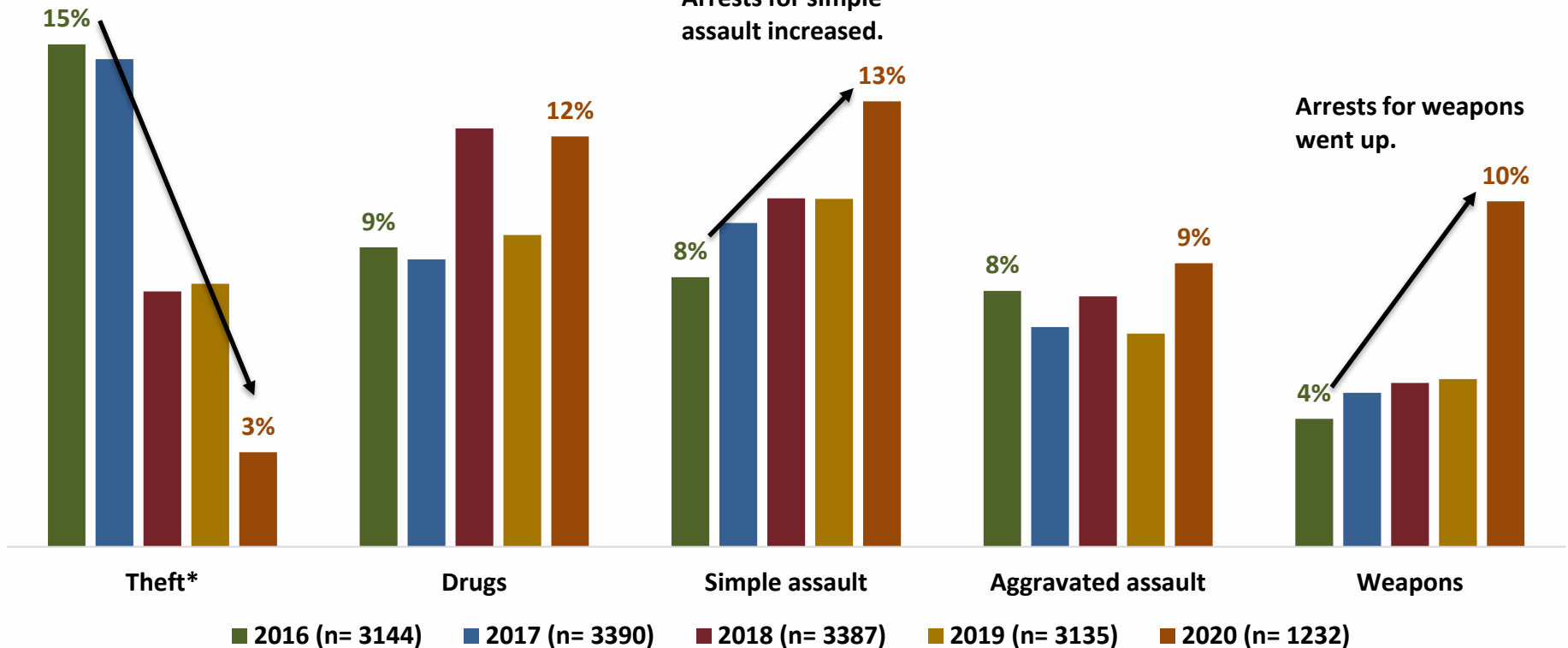
About half of arrests of Black adults by the St. Paul Police Department from **2016** to **2020** were for the 5 offenses below.

**Top 5 offenses for which the St. Paul police department arrested Black adults, 2016-2020**

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Arrests for simple assault increased.

Arrests for weapons went up.



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# Arrests of Youth

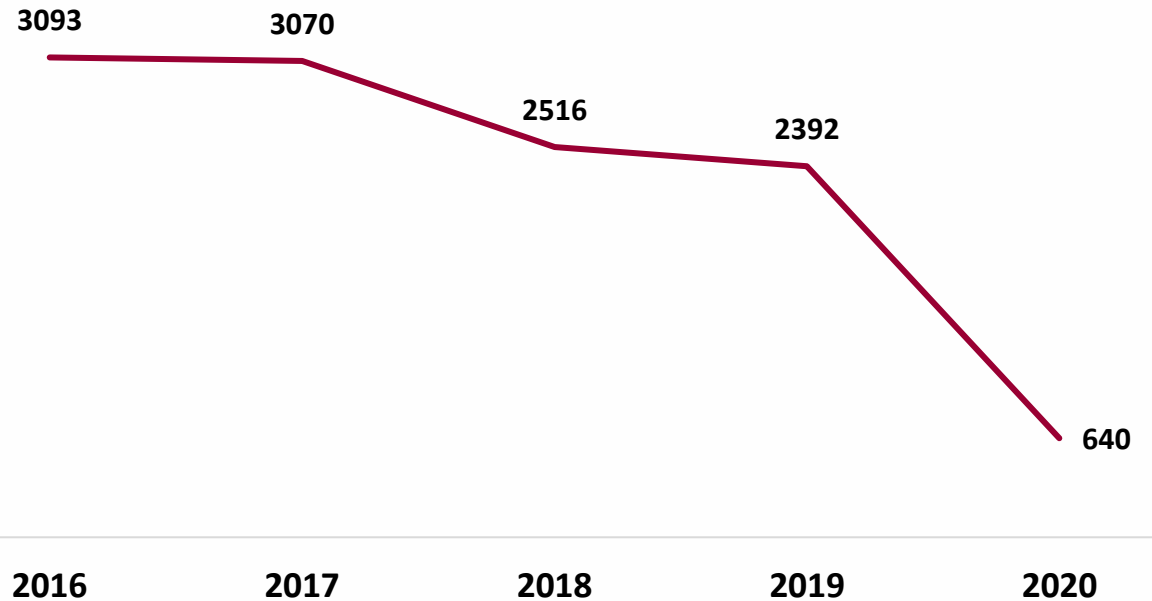
# Youth Arrests

- Youth between the ages of 10 and 17 years at the time of arrest.
  - The age when youth could become involved with the juvenile justice system is 10.
- Justice-involved children under 10 are considered Children in Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS).



# YOUTH ARRESTS

**Youths arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies, 2016-2020**



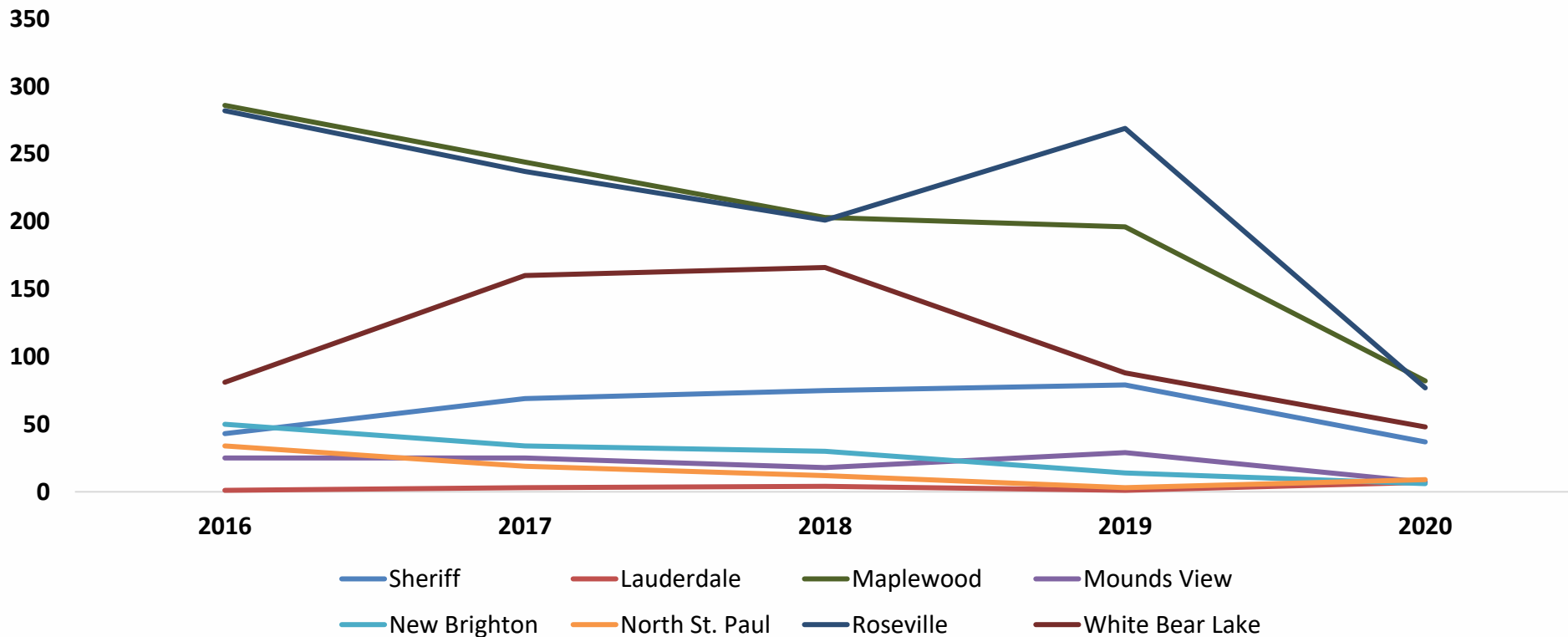
Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested fewer youths each year.

Arrests sharply declined by 73% in 2020.

# YOUTH ARRESTS

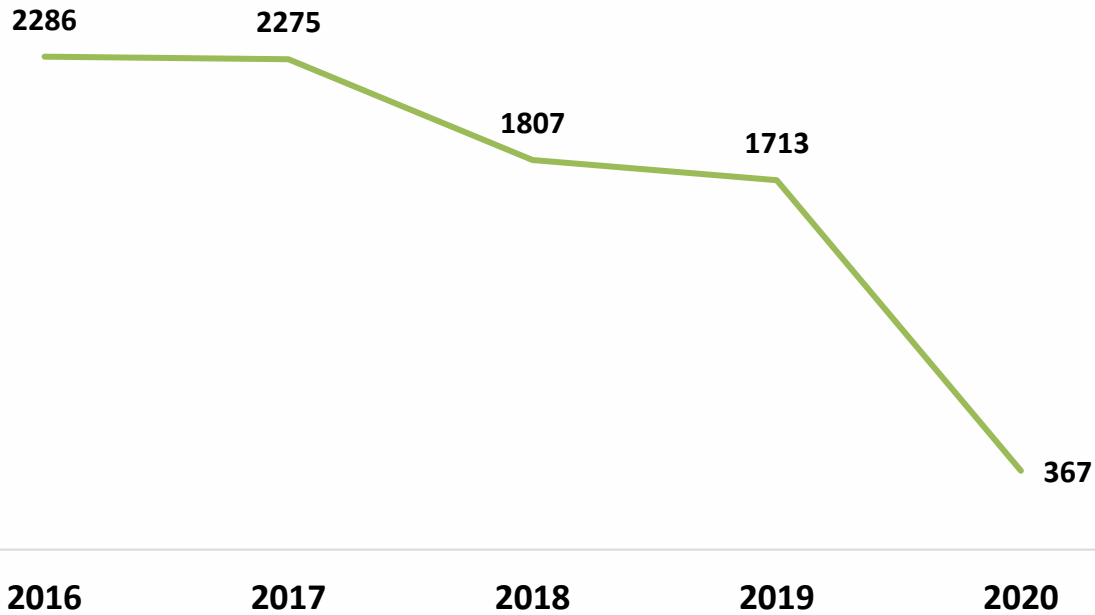
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**Youths arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office, 2016-2020**



# YOUTH ARRESTS

**Youths arrested by the St. Paul Police Department,  
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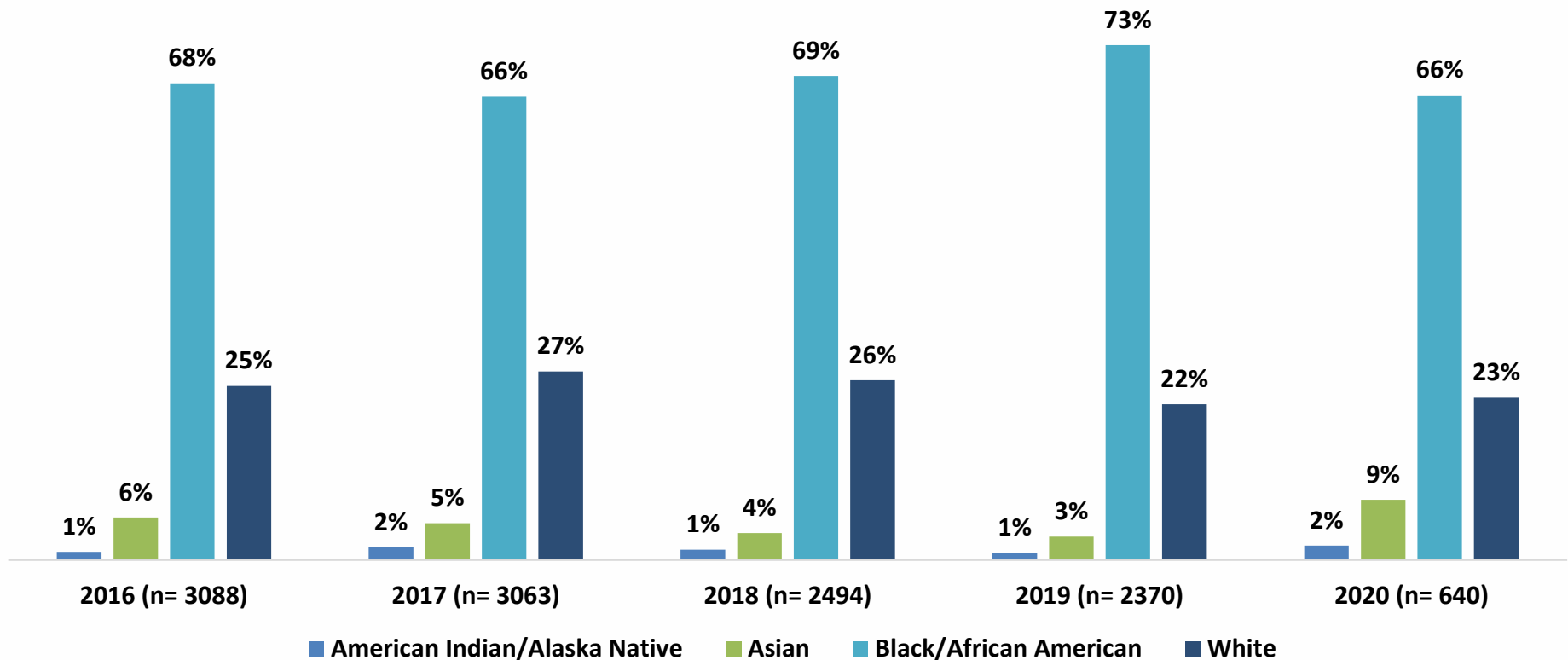
The St. Paul Police Department arrested 25% fewer youth from 2016 to 2019.

Arrests dropped 79% in 2020.

# YOUTH ARRESTS

There were significant racial disparities in arrests. About two-thirds of youth arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies were **Black**.

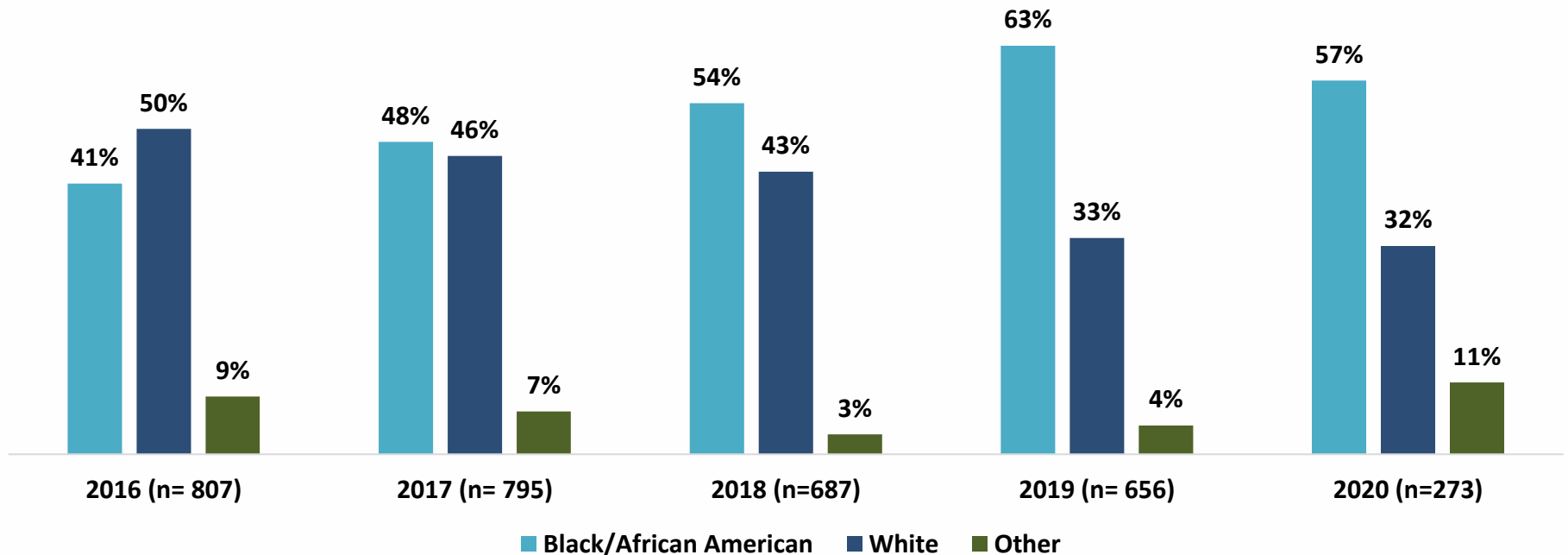
Youths arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies by race, 2016-2020



# YOUTH ARRESTS

Arrests of **Black** youths by Ramsey County suburban police departments and the Sheriff’s Office increased from 41% in 2016 to 57% in 2020. Arrests of **White** youth decreased from 50% to 32%.

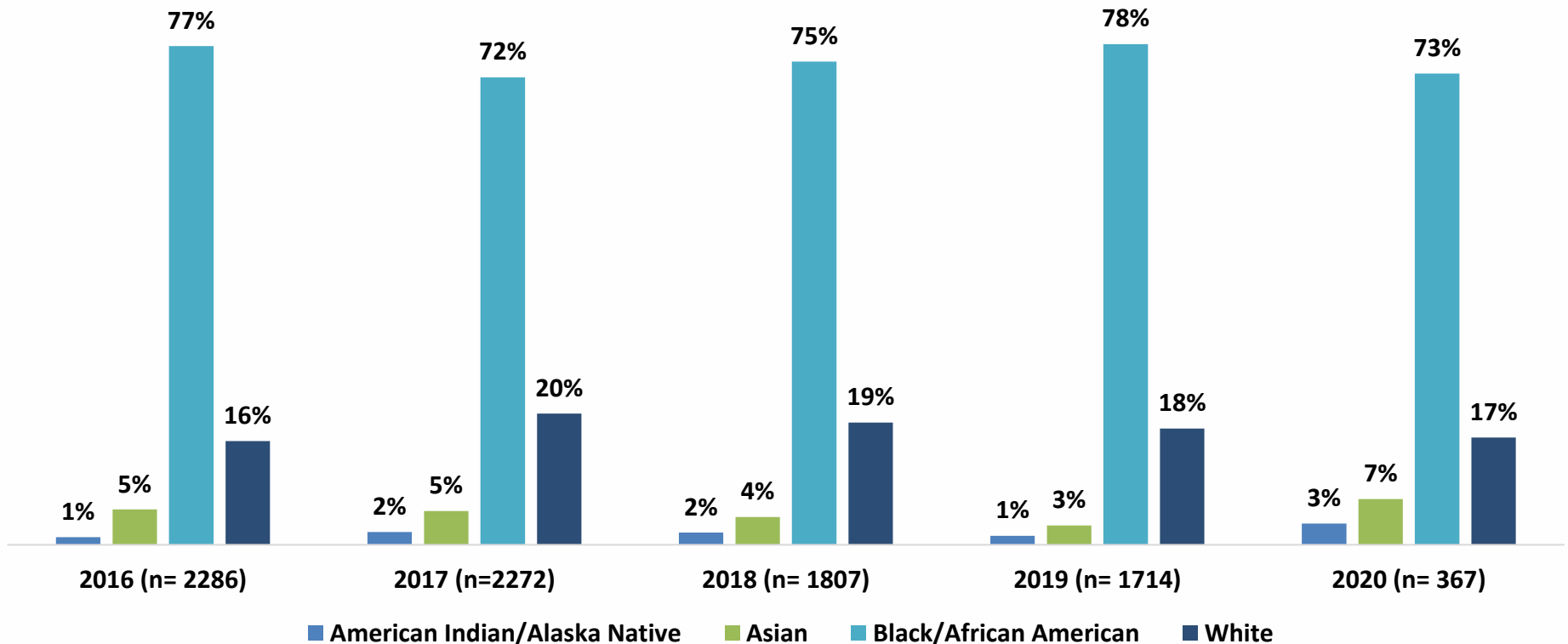
**Youths arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments and by the Sheriff’s Office by race, 2016-2020**



# YOUTH ARRESTS

About 75% of youth arrested by the St. Paul Police Department were **Black**.

**Youths arrested by the St. Paul Police Department by race, 2016-2020**

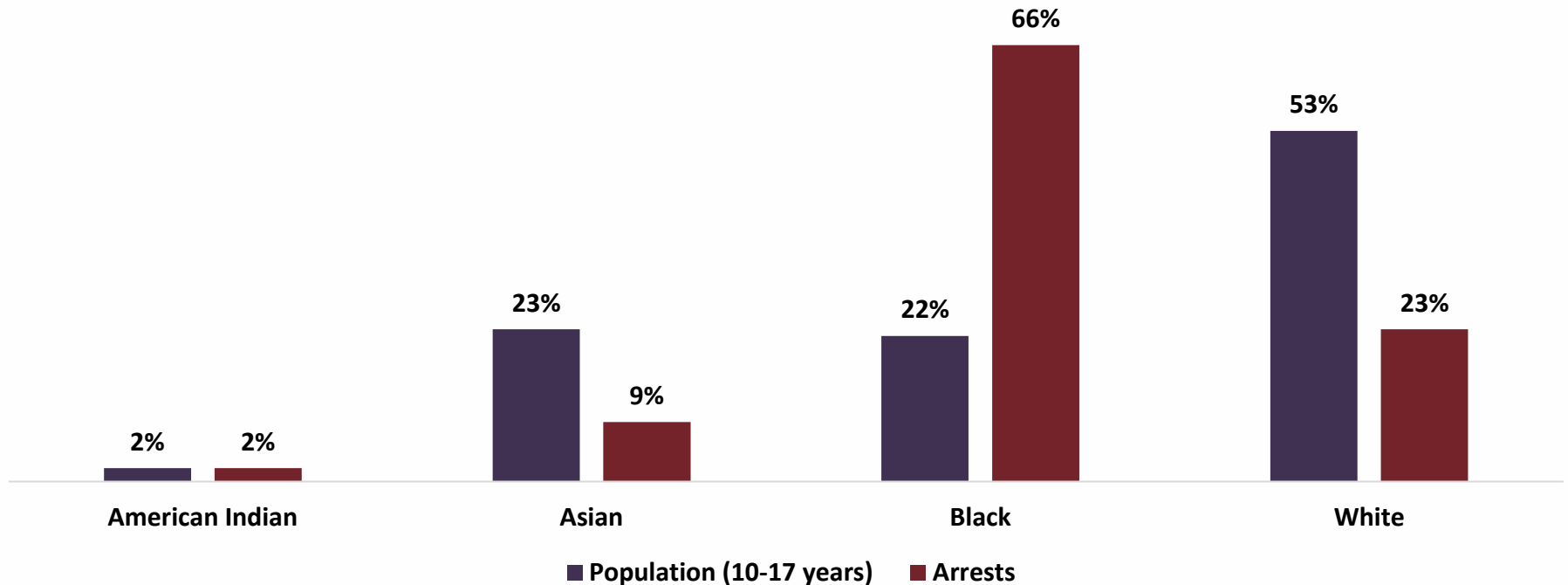


# YOUTH ARRESTS

There was significant disproportionality in youth arrests in Ramsey County in 2020.

- Black youth were 22% of the **population** and 66% of those **arrested**.
- White youth were 53% of the **population** but 23% of those **arrested**.

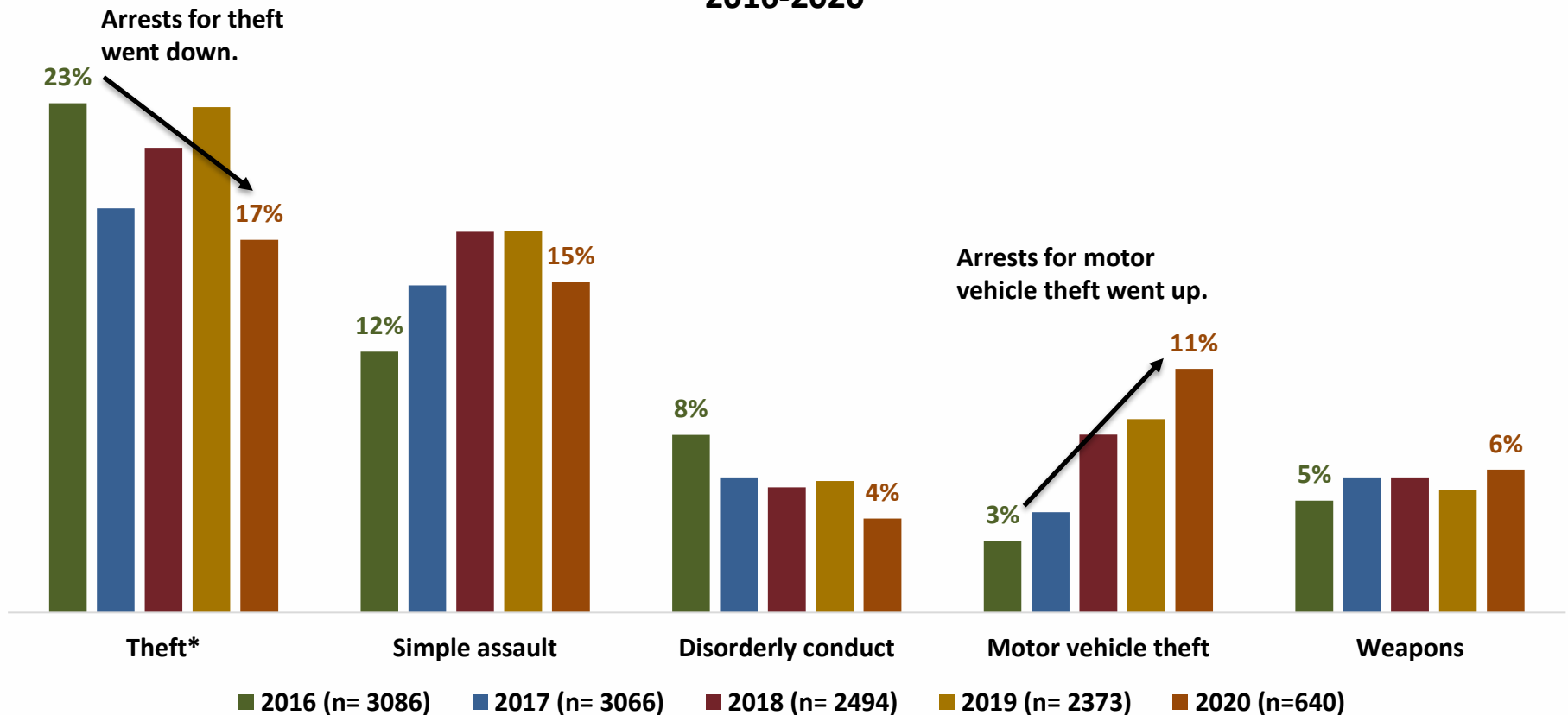
**Ramsey County youth between 10 and 17 years as a percentage of the population and arrests by race, 2020**



# YOUTH ARRESTS

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**Top 5 offenses for which Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested youth, 2016-2020**



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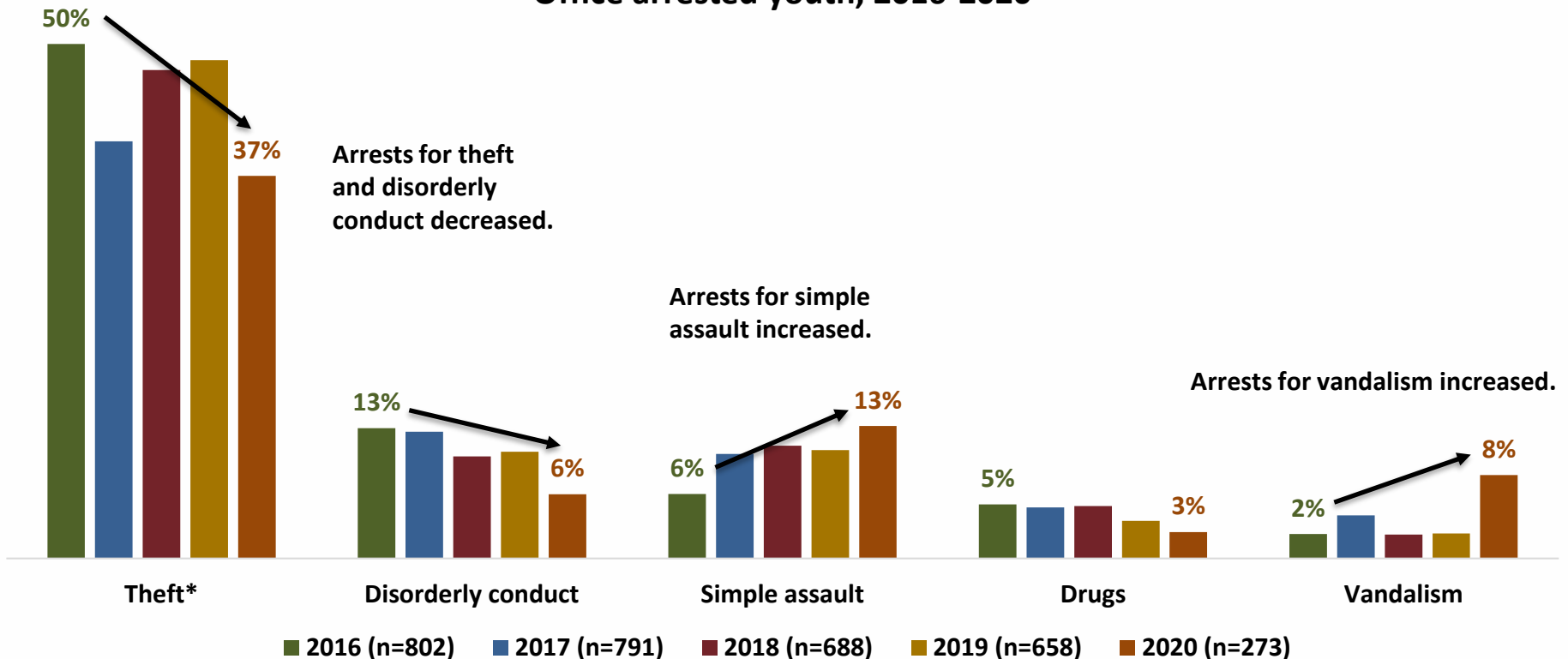


# YOUTH ARRESTS

From 2016 to 2020, between two-thirds and three-fourths of youth arrests by Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff’s Office were for the 5 offenses below.

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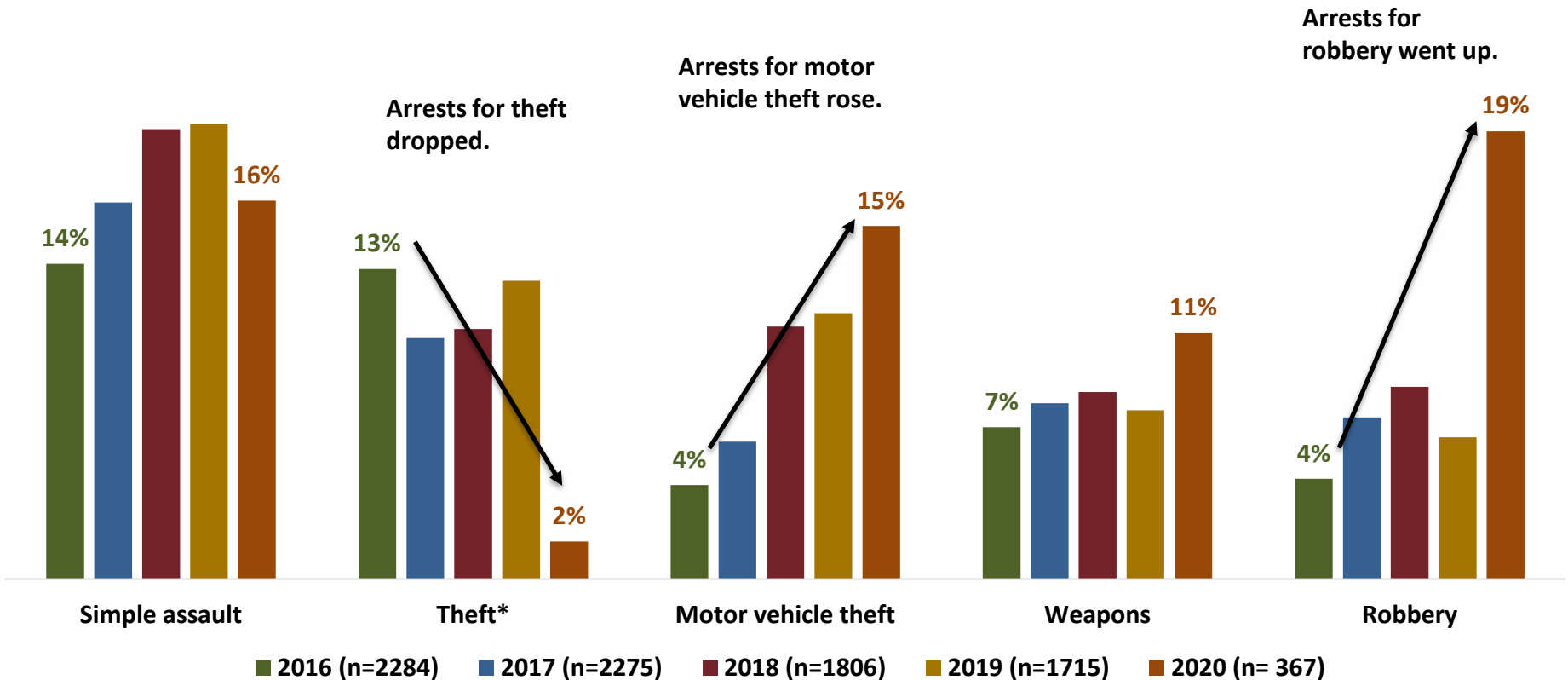


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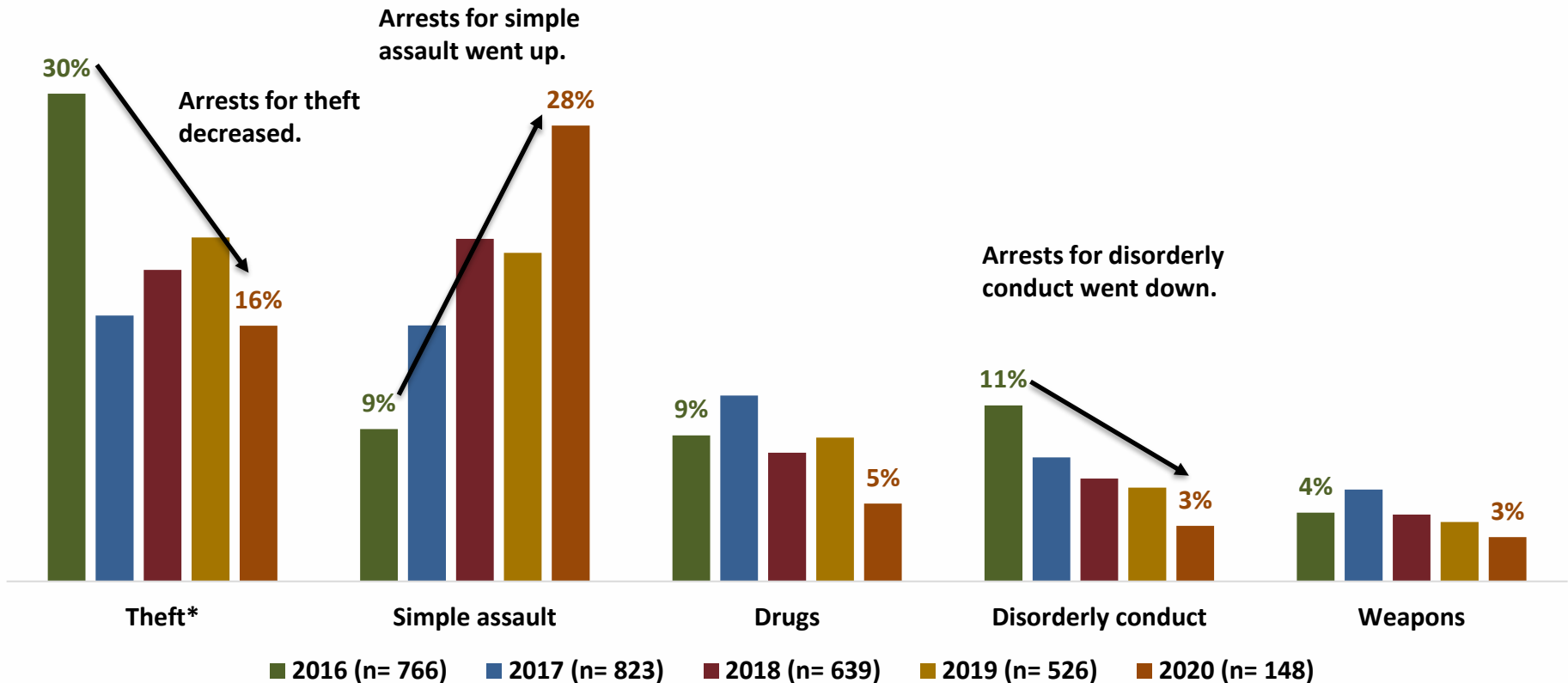


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About half of arrests of White youth by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies from **2016** to **2020** were for the 5 offenses below.

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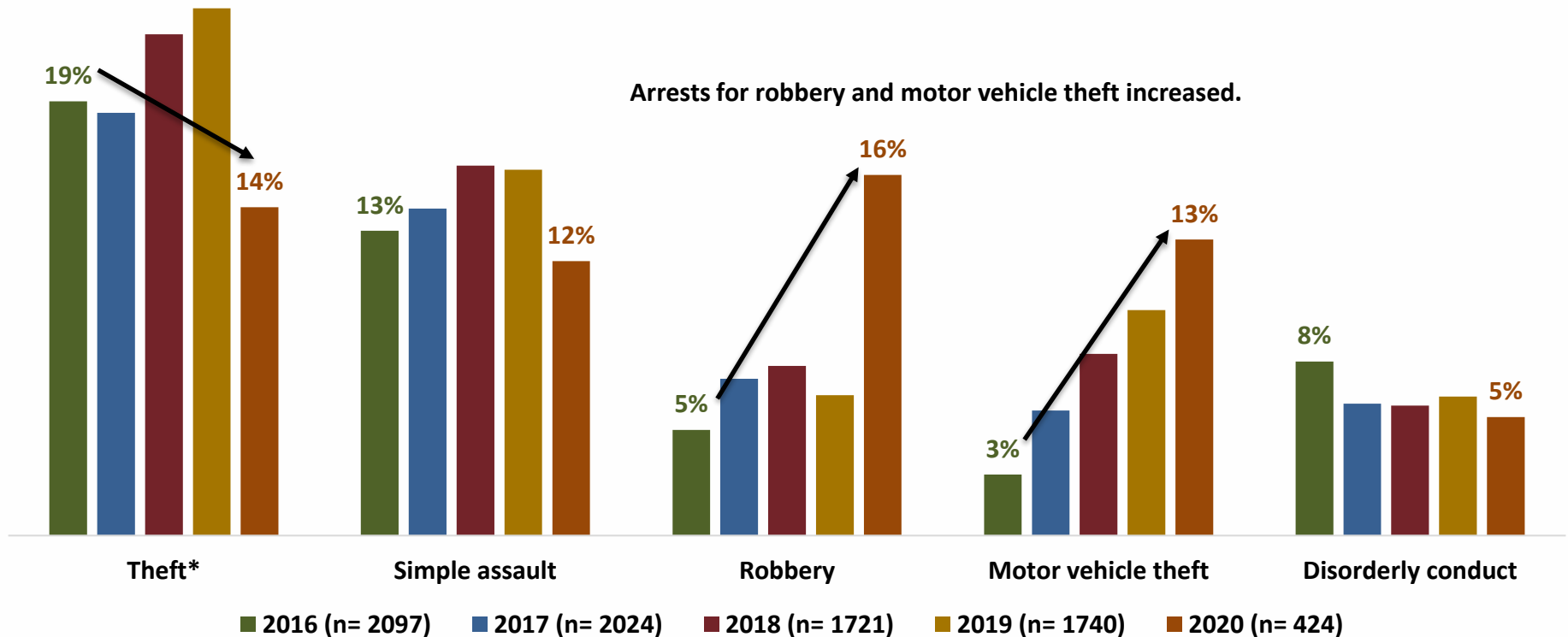
# YOUTH ARRESTS

About half of arrests of Black youth by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies from **2016** to **2020** were for the 5 offenses below.

## Top 5 offenses for which Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested Black youths, 2016-2020

Arrests for theft decreased.

Arrests for robbery and motor vehicle theft increased.



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# Summary

## Total Arrests

- Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested about 14,000 people each year from 2016 to 2019 and almost 6000 people in 2020.
- In 2019 and 2020, Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested more Black people than White people.

## Arrests of Adults

- Arrests of adults were consistent from 2016 to 2019. They dropped significantly in 2020.
- Racial disparities in arrests of Black adults and White adults by suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office increased.
  - Arrests of Black adults increased from 24% to 34%.
  - Arrests of White adults decreased from 70% to 55%.
- There were consistent racial disparities in arrests by the St. Paul Police Department.
  - Half of adults arrested were Black and one-third were White.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

## Arrests of Adults

- Half of adults arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies were arrested for theft, drugs, simple assault, DUI, and aggravated assault.
  - Disorderly conduct was more prevalent in the suburbs.
  - Aggravated assault was more prevalent in St. Paul.
- Ramsey County suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office arrested more White adults than Black adults for theft, DUI, drugs, disorderly conduct, and simple assault.
- The St. Paul Police Department arrested adults for different offenses.
  - It arrested White adults for DUI and motor vehicle theft.
  - It arrested Black adults for aggravated assault and weapons.



## Arrests of Youth

- Arrests of youth declined from 2016 to 2020.
- Racial disparities in arrests of Black youths and White youths by suburban police departments and Sheriff's Office increased.
  - Arrests of Black youths increased from 41% to 57%.
  - Arrests of White youths decreased from 50% to 32%.
- The St. Paul Police Department arrested fewer Black youths, but there were still racial disparities.
  - About 75% of youths arrested were Black.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

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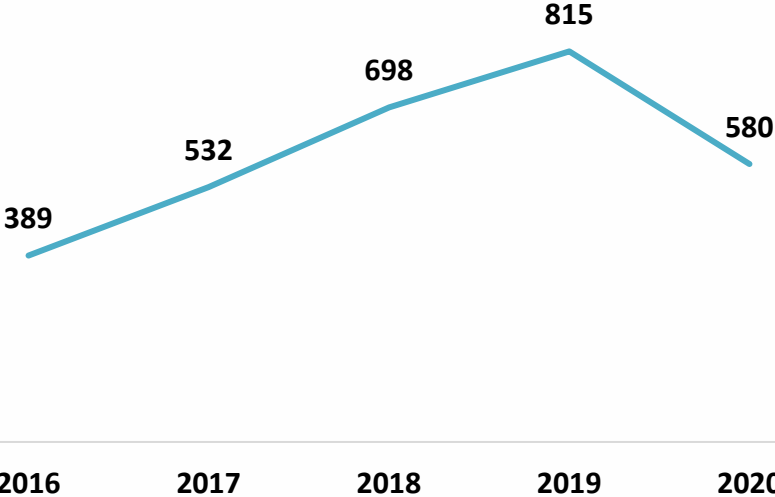
- Half of youth arrested by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies were arrested for theft, simple assault, disorderly conduct, motor vehicle theft, and weapons.
  - Disorderly conduct, vandalism, and drugs were more prevalent in the suburbs.
  - Motor vehicle theft, weapons, and robbery were more prevalent in St. Paul.
- Ramsey County law enforcement agencies arrested youth for different offenses.
  - They arrested White youths for drugs and weapons.
  - They arrested Black youths for motor vehicle theft and robbery.

# Questions

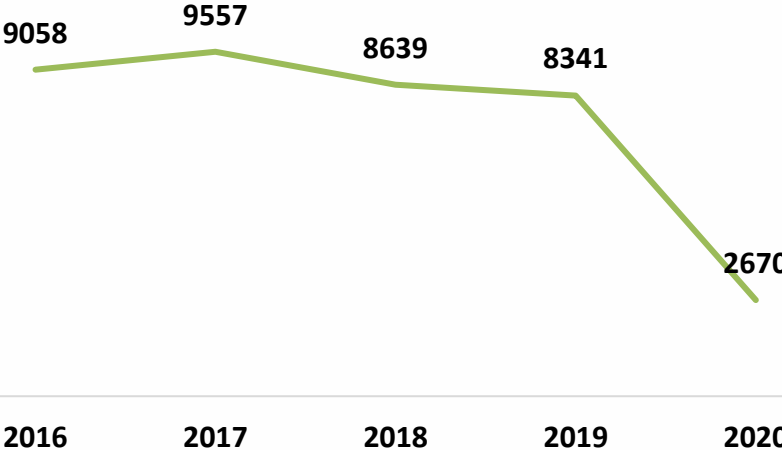
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# TOTAL ARRESTS

**Adults and youths arrested by the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office, 2016-2020**

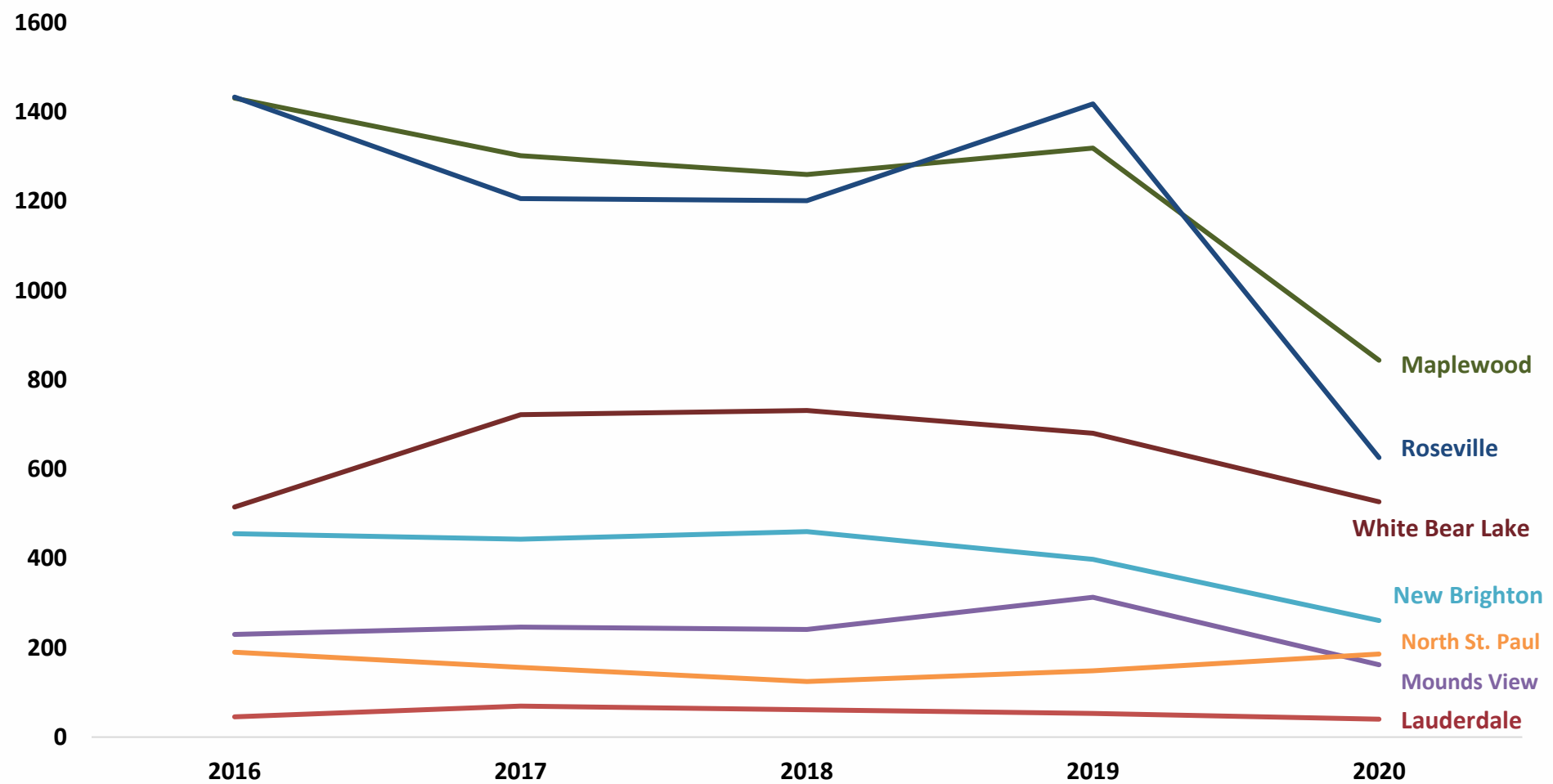


**Adults and youths arrested by the St. Paul Police Department, 2016-2020**



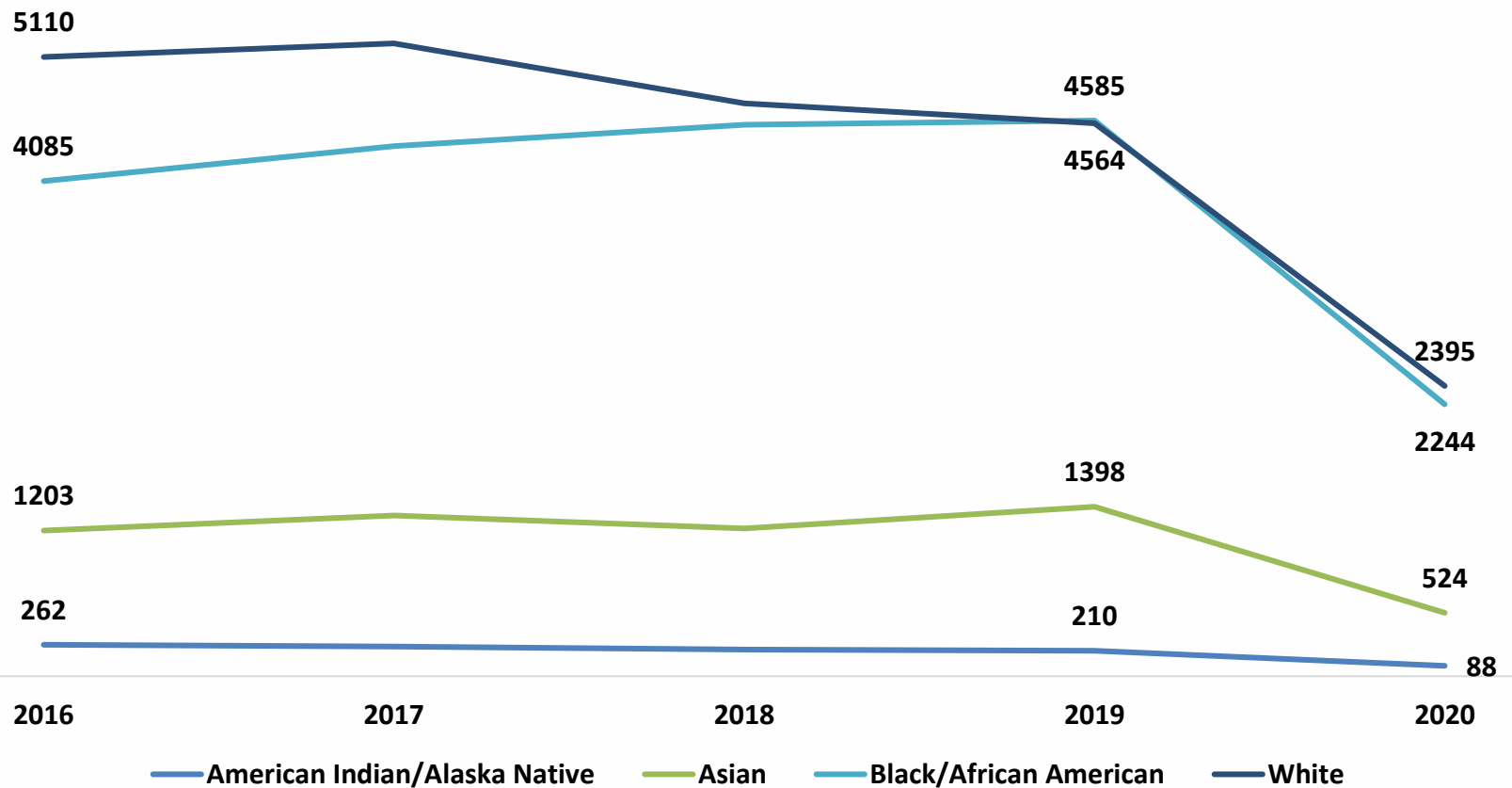
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**Adults and youths arrested by Ramsey County suburban police departments, 2016-2020**



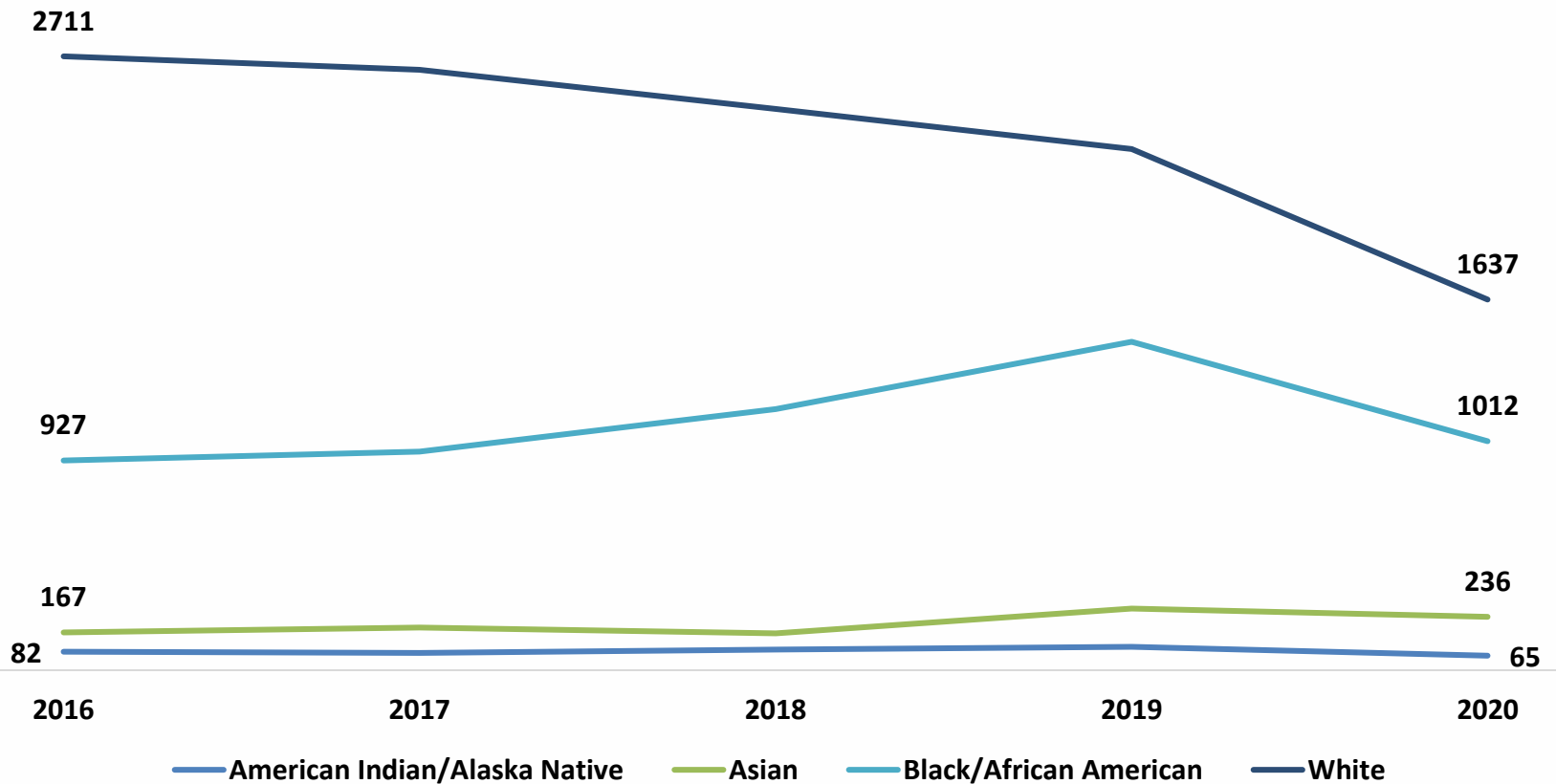
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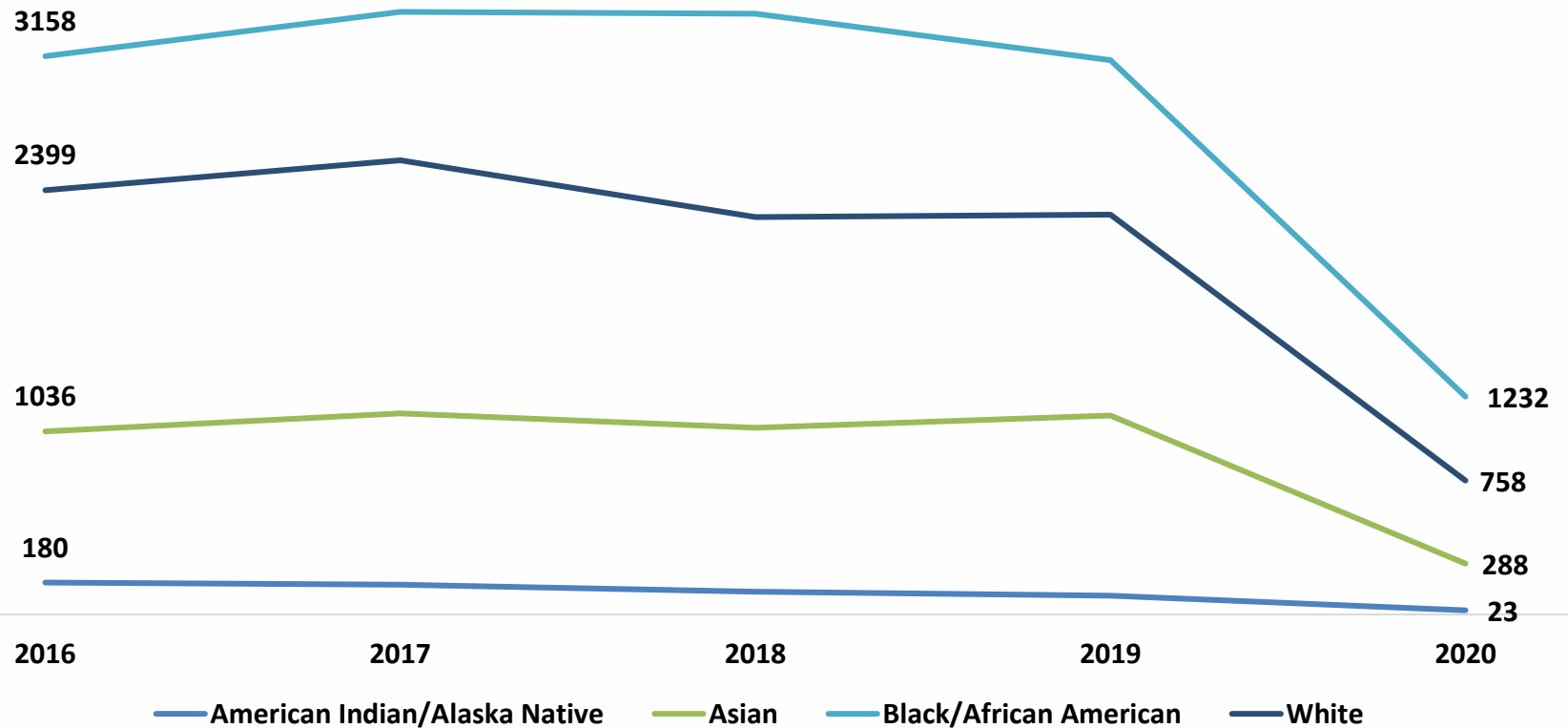
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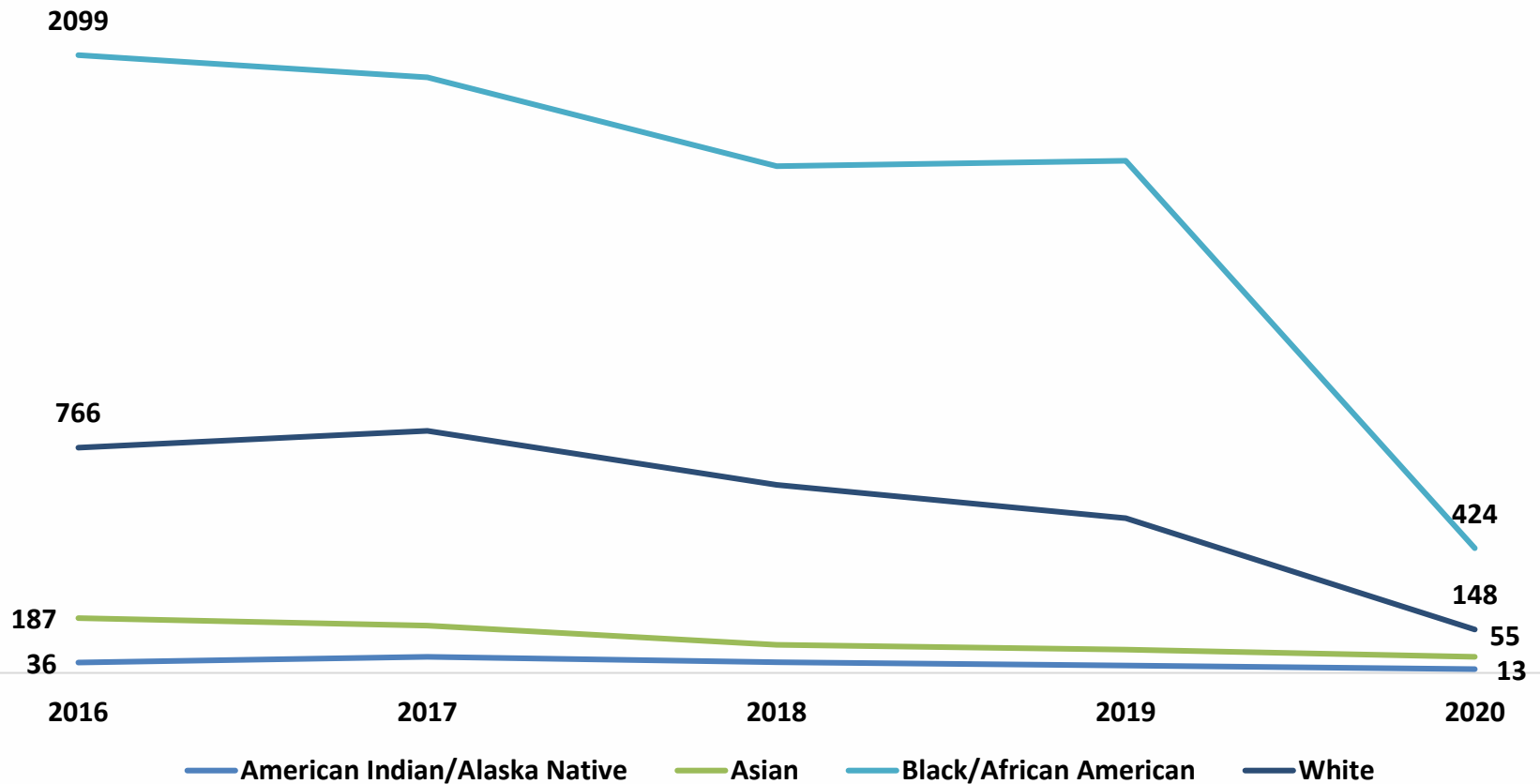
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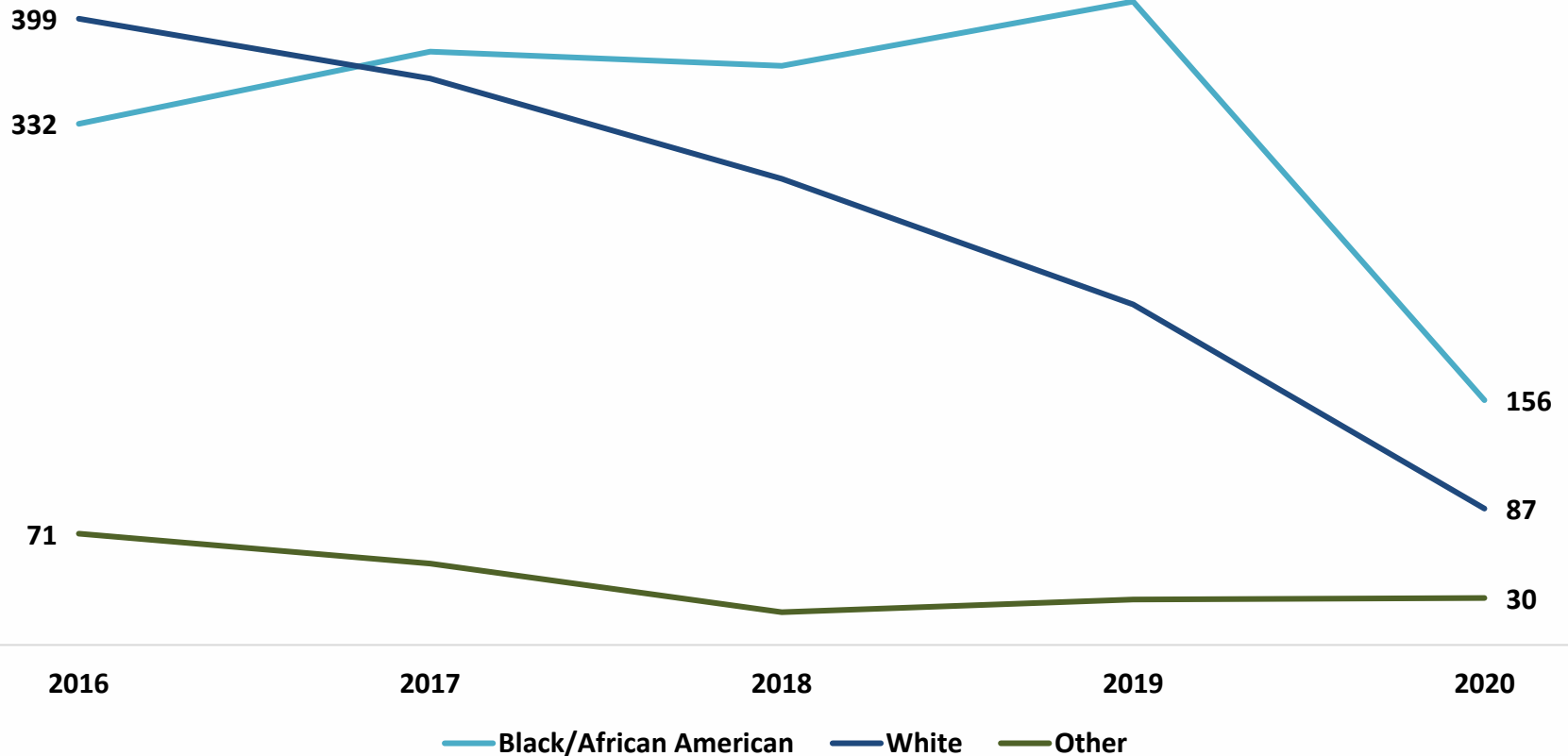
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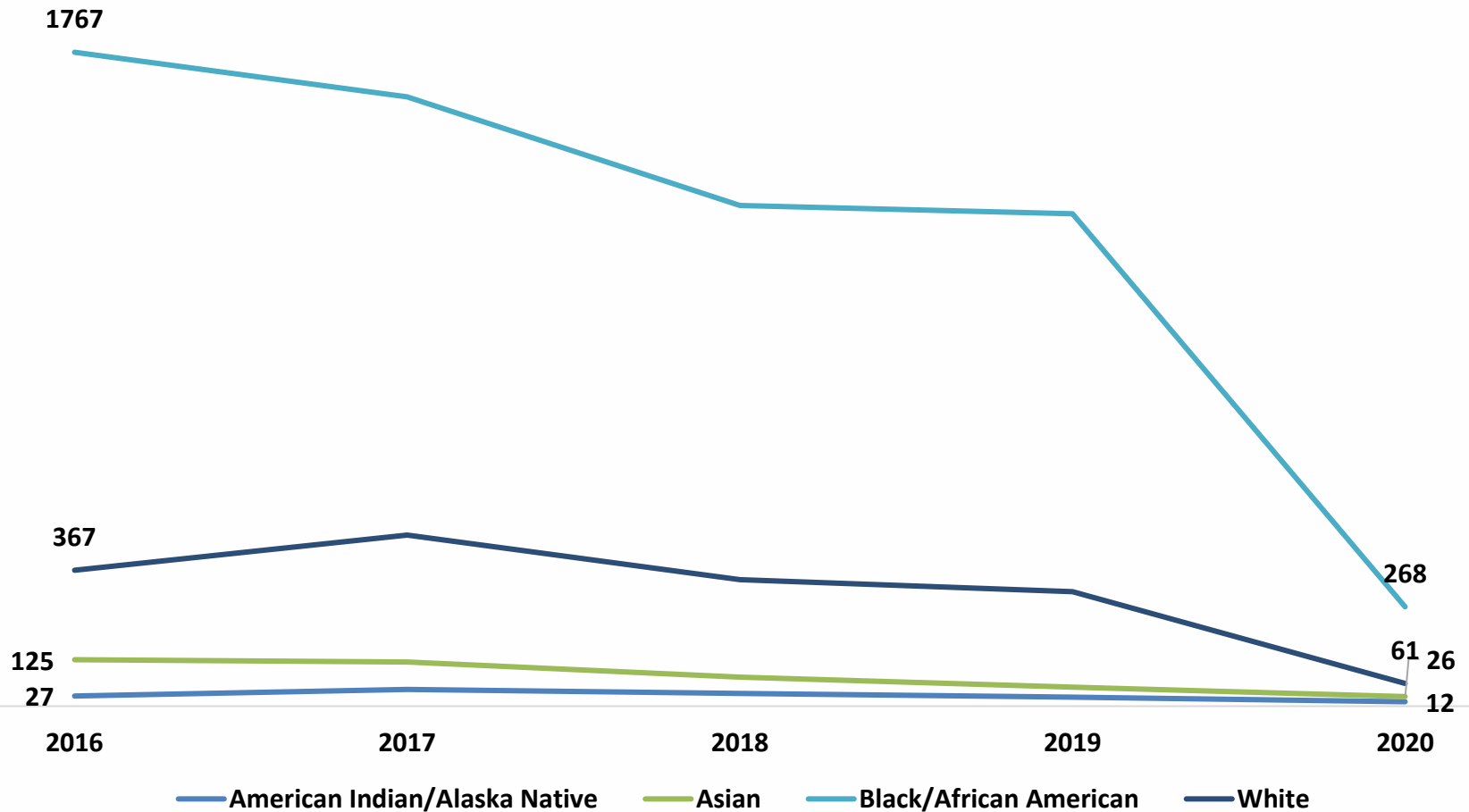
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# YOUTH ARRESTS

### Youths arrested by the St. Paul Police Department by race, 2016-2020



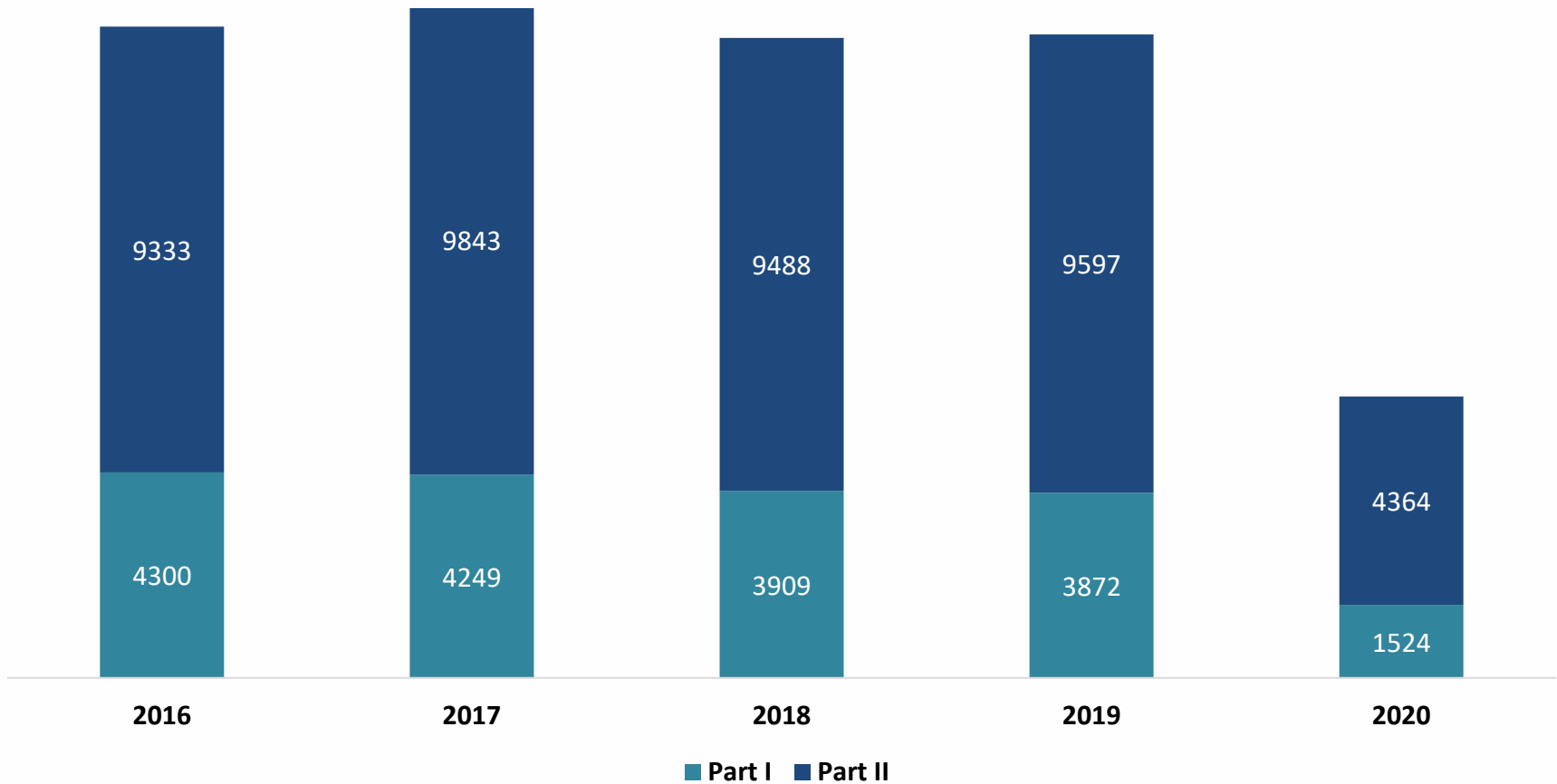
# Arrests by Offense Type

There are two types of offenses:

- Part I offenses include murder, rape, aggravated assault, robbery, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, arson, and human trafficking.
- Part II offenses are considered less serious offenses. Examples include other assault, drug abuse, DUI, disorderly conduct, and weapons.

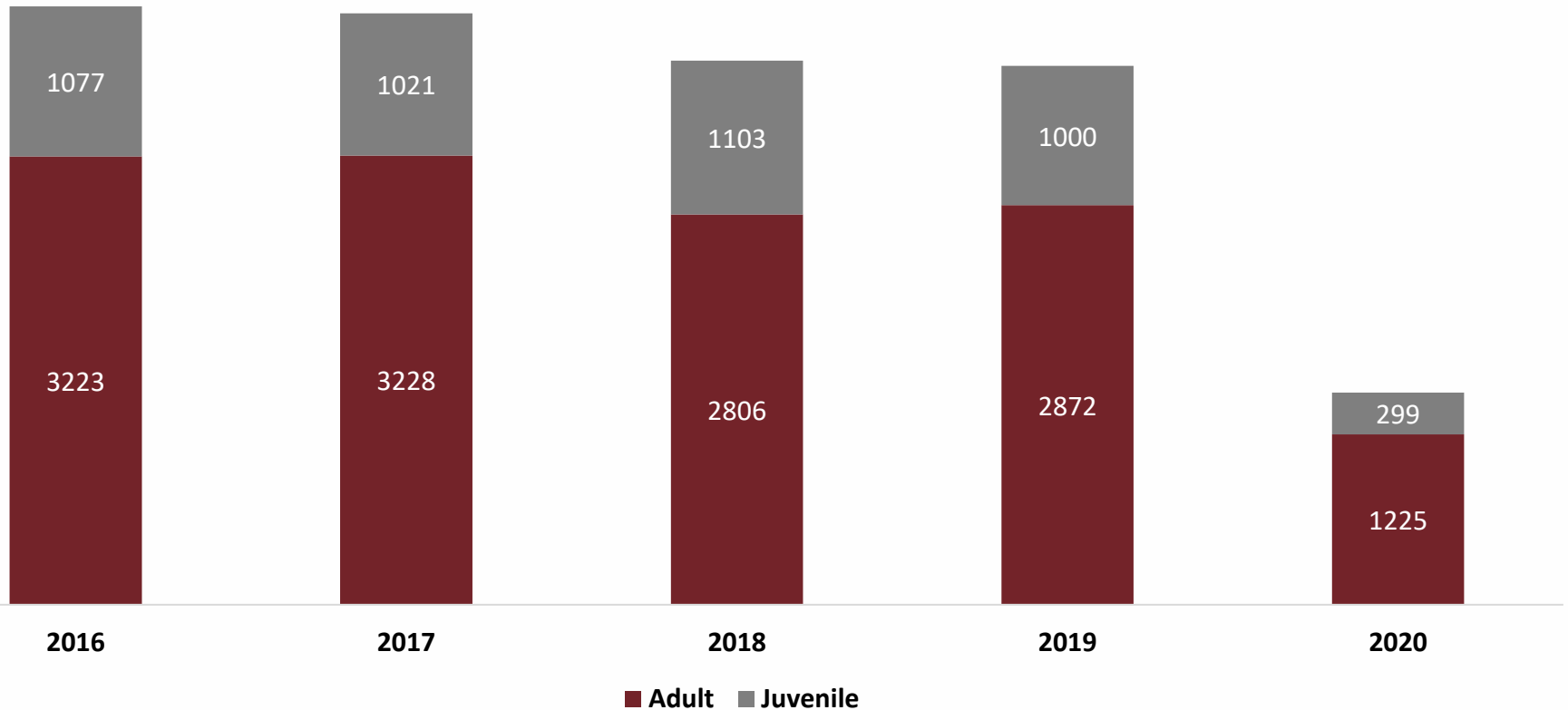
# ARRESTS BY OFFENSE TYPE

**Adults and youths arrested for Part I and Part II offenses by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies, 2016-2020**



# ARRESTS BY OFFENSE TYPE

**Part I arrests by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies by age category, 2016-2020**



# ARRESTS BY OFFENSE TYPE

**Part II arrests by Ramsey County law enforcement agencies by age category, 2016-2020**

