# **Tippecanoe County Superior Court**

## Lafayette, Indiana

#### State Structure

Indiana's delinquency services are organized at both the state and local level. Community supervision is administered by local judiciary agencies within circuit courts. Probation Officers in Indiana are local juvenile court employees. The Division of Youth Services, within the Indiana Department of Corrections, a state executive agency, administers commitments to state public facilities and parole services for those youth leaving state facilities. The majority of secure detention in Indiana is administered judicially at the county level; however, a few detention facilities are administered by the state, by local law enforcement, or by private contractors.

#### Upper, Lower, and Extended Age of Jurisdiction

	D	elinquency	Status		
State	Lower age	Upper age	Extended age	Lower age	Upper age
Indiana	None specified	17	20	None specified	17

#### Status Offenses

In Indiana, leaving home without parental or guardian permission, failing to attend school, disobeying the commands of a parent or guardian, violation of curfew, possession or consumption of alcohol and possession of fireworks are status offense behaviors. Status offense cases are classified as delinquent children who commit certain other acts and who need care, treatment or rehabilitation. The superior and circuit courts have jurisdiction over status offenders and delinquents though in St. Joseph County a probate court has jurisdiction.

#### **Yearly Case Count**

	2010 Population Estimates			Delinquency		Status		Dependency
County	Total	10 Through Upper Age	0 Through Upper Age	Petitioned	Non- Petitioned	Petitioned	Non- Petitioned	Petitioned
Tippecanoe	172,900	14,600	35,200	422	22	224	5	332

Source: Indiana Supreme Court, Division of State Court Administration

- 1. Delinquency figures are cases disposed.
- 2. Status figures are cases disposed.
- 3. Dependency figures are petitioned cases disposed.

#### **School Districts**

Tippecanoe Lafayette West Lafayette Community

### Estimated arrests of persons under age 18 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Coverage Indicator	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Total Arrests	1,163	1,298	1,150	983	921
Violent Crime Index	16	15	28	23	17
Murder/nonneg. mans.	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible rape	0	1	0	2	0
Robbery	13	5	9	6	1
Aggravated assault	3	9	19	15	16
Property Crime Index	311	354	362	350	285
Burglary	37	17	21	27	13
Larceny-theft	268	325	318	315	251
Motor vehicle theft	6	11	18	8	21
Arson	0	1	5	0	0
Nonindex					
Other assaults	133	151	126	86	97
Forgery and counterfeiting	0	0	0	0	8
Fraud	20	19	23	20	14
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen property	8	8	19	9	12
Vandalism	45	116	49	16	18
Weapons	4	7	3	1	4
Prostitution/commercialized vice	0	0	0	0	0
Sex offenses (other)	14	6	4	7	10
Drug abuse violations	99	108	70	85	80
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Offenses against family	0	0	0	0	1
Driving under influence	13	10	4	5	3
Liquor laws	118	141	103	102	62
Drunkenness	6	3	6	1	1
Disorderly conduct	121	128	90	56	46
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	0
All other offenses	63	65	85	51	67
Suspicion	0	0	0	0	2
Curfew and loitering	16	0	0	0	1
Runaways	176	167	178	171	193
Population Ages 10 to 17	13,900	13,913	14,380	14,439	14,618

These statistics are estimates that account for missing data and may differ from other published sources. The county-level files which are the source of this information are not official FBI releases and are being provided for research purposes.

The Coverage Indicator refers to the relative size of the sample from which these estimates are based. A coverage indicator of 90% means that data covering 10% of the jurisdiction's population are estimated and that data from 90% of the jurisdiction's population are based on actual reports. Only jurisdictions with a coverage indicator at or above 90% are displayed in this application.

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