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LA City Controller Kenneth Mejia Releases an Update to 41.18 Map (1/1/21 to 9/15/23)

The Office of the LA City Controller released a map and analysis that show details of arrests from January 1, 2021 to September 15, 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.

Map: 4118recentarrests.lacontroller.io

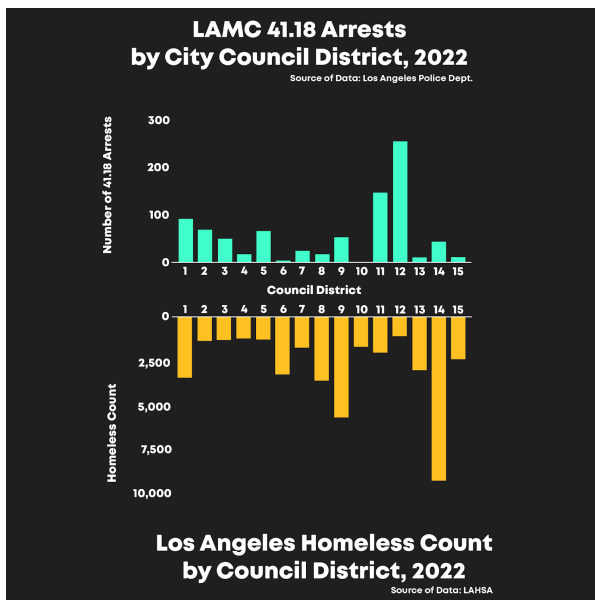
Analysis: controller.lacity.gov/landings/analysis/4118recentarrests

Analysis of the arrest data show:

- Uneven enforcement across council districts
- Rise in 41.18 arrests since 2021
- Over half of arrests are misdemeanors

Uneven Enforcement Across Council Districts:

41.18 is unevenly enforced across council districts with little relation to the number of unhoused people per council district.



41.18 Arrests by Council District in 2022 vs. 2022 Homeless Count

Top districts with the most 41.18 arrests:

CD12: 255 arrests
CD11: 147
CD1: 91
CD2: 68
CD5: 66

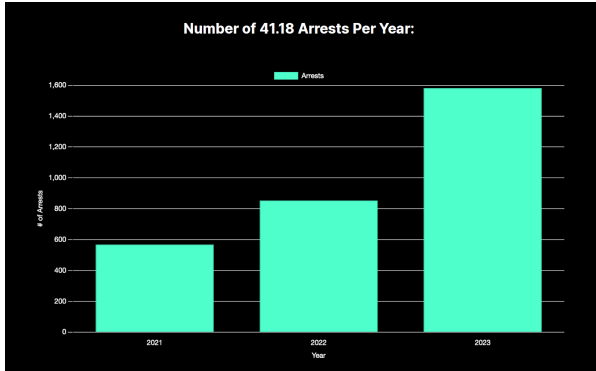
Top districts by Homeless Count:

CD14: 9,204 people
CD9: 5,640
CD8: 3,579
CD1: 3,395
CD6: 3,228

Rise in 41.18 Arrests Since 2021:

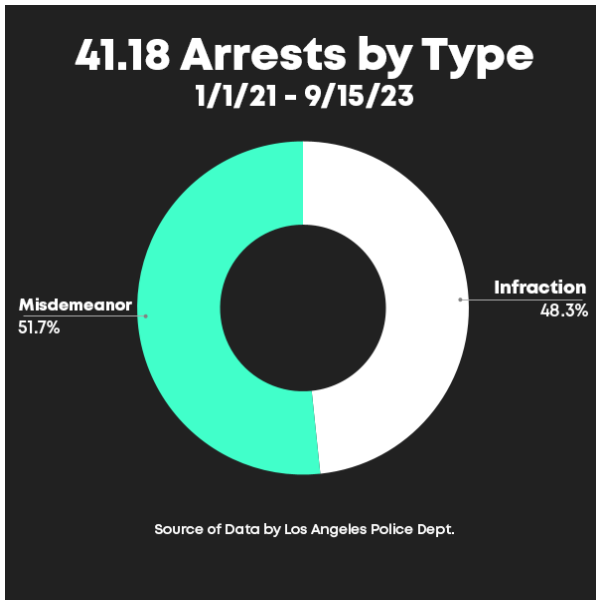
On July 29, 2021, the City amended 41.18 in an attempt to comply with the 2018 Martin v. Boise ruling, which prohibits cities from enforcing anti-camping laws without enough shelter beds. The

map and analysis display 41.18 arrest data beginning in January 1, 2021 through September 15, 2023 to encapsulate enforcement in the months leading up to the July 29, 2021 41.18 amendment and the most recent available data.



2021: 568 arrests
2022: 853 arrests
2023 (thru 9/15): 1,582 arrests

Over Half of Arrests are Misdemeanors:



From 1/1/21 to 9/15/23, 52% of all 41.18 arrests were misdemeanors, which can lead to jail time. 41.18 violations can be cited as either infractions or misdemeanors. Infractions can lead to a fine. Misdemeanors can result in a fine plus up to six months in jail.

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. The analysis page displays interactive visualizations of the data, allowing users to view charts of 41.18 arrests by year, City Council district, race, and type of arrest (misdemeanor or infraction).