

REPORTS OF MISSING ADULTS IN CALIFORNIA

REPORT TYPE	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
LOST Any person who has strayed away or whose whereabouts are unknown	267	295	326	254	193
CATASTROPHE Any person who is missing after a catastrophe (e.g., plane crash, boating accident, fire, flood, etc.)	29	50	40	42	17
STRANGER ABDUCTION Any person taken (witnessed) by a stranger/ non-family member	45	52	51	47	26
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES Any person missing under suspicious circumstances that May indicate a stranger-abduction	657	760	700	769	603
UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES Any person who disappears under circumstances unknown	4,298	4,288	3,903	4,309	3,444
VOLUNTARY MISSING Any missing adult who has left on his/ her own free will	29,975	32,069	31,406	31,180	24,799
DEPENDENT Any adult who has physical or mental limitation that restricts his or her ability to carry out normal activities (e.g., Alzheimer)	2,589	2,574	2,293	2,167	1,606
TOTALS	37,860	40,088	38,719	38,768	30,688

GENDER OF MISSING ADULTS	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Male	22,182	23,337	22,487	22,172	17,386
Female	15,678	16,751	16,232	16,596	13,302