Young Adults - Driving While Intoxicated

number and rate/10,000 arrests for young adults ages 16-21 years (2017)

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