

# Methodology

UCR Programs gather crime information from the law enforcement agencies under their domain and forward the data to the FBI. Forty-eight states in the nation have their own UCR Programs that streamline the collection of UCR data from local law enforcement agencies, ensure consistency and comparability of data, and provide a higher quality of service to the law enforcement community. Establishment of a UCR Program is not limited to state governments. Territorial, tribal, and federal agencies may also institute UCR Programs. Agencies in states without a program, i.e., direct contributors, submit their crime statistics directly to the FBI, which provides continuous guidance and support to those participating agencies.

# **Criteria for UCR Programs**

The following are the standards under which a UCR Program must operate:

- 1. A UCR Program must conform to the FBI UCR Program's submission standards, definitions, specifications, and required deadlines.
- 2. A UCR Program must establish data integrity procedures and have personnel assigned to assist contributing agencies in quality assurance practices and crime reporting procedures. Data integrity procedures should include crime trend assessments, offense classification verification, and technical specification validation.
- 3. A UCR Program's submissions must cover more than 50 percent of the law enforcement agencies within its established reporting domain and be willing to cover any and all UCR-contributing agencies that wish to use the UCR Program from within its domain. (An agency wishing to become a UCR Program must be willing to report for all of the agencies within the state.)

4. A UCR Program must furnish the FBI UCR Program with all of the UCR data collected by the law enforcement agencies within its domain.

These requirements do not prohibit the state from gathering other statistical data beyond the national collection.

# Data completeness and quality

In order to fulfill its responsibilities in connection with the UCR Program, the FBI edits and reviews individual agency reports for both completeness and quality. Members of the national program's staff contact the state UCR Program in connection with crimereporting matters and, as necessary, when approved by the state, individual contributors. Upon request, staff members conduct training programs within the state on law enforcement record-keeping and crime-reporting procedures. Following audit standards established by the federal government, the FBI conducts an audit of each state's UCR data collection procedures once every 3 years. Should circumstances develop whereby the state program does not comply with the aforementioned requirements, the national program may institute a direct collection of data from law enforcement agencies within the state.

# **Reporting procedures**

**Offenses known and value of property**—Law enforcement agencies tabulate the number of Part I offenses brought to their attention based on records of all reports of crime received from victims, officers who discover infractions, or other sources, and submit them each month to the FBI either directly or through their state UCR Programs. Part I offenses include murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Law enforcement agencies also submit monthly to the FBI the value of property stolen and recovered in connection with the offenses and detailed information pertaining to criminal homicide.

**Unfounded offenses and clearances**—When, through investigation, an agency determines that complaints of crimes are unfounded or false, the agency eliminates that offense from its crime tally through an entry on the monthly report. The report also provides the total number of actual Part I offenses, the number of offenses cleared, and the number of clearances that involve only offenders under the age of 18. (Law enforcement can clear crimes in one of two ways: by the arrest of at least one person who is

charged and turned over to the court for prosecution or by exceptional means—when some element beyond law enforcement's control precludes the arrest of a known offender.)

**Persons arrested**—In addition to reporting Part I offenses, law enforcement agencies provide monthly to the UCR Program data on the age, sex, race, and ethnicity of persons arrested for Part I and Part II offenses. Part II offenses encompass all crimes, except traffic violations, that are not classified as Part I offenses.

**Officers killed or assaulted, and law enforcement employment**—Law enforcement agencies also report monthly to the UCR Program information regarding law enforcement officers killed or assaulted, and yearly, the number of full-time sworn and civilian law enforcement personnel employed as of October 31.

**Hate crimes**—At the end of each quarter, law enforcement agencies report summarized data on hate crimes, i.e., specific offenses that were motivated by an offender's bias against the perceived race, gender and gender identity, religion, disability, ethnic/national origin, sexual orientation, or ethnicity of the victim. Those agencies participating in the UCR Program's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) submit hate crime data monthly.

# **Editing procedures**

The UCR Program thoroughly examines each report it receives for arithmetical accuracy and for deviations in crime data from month to month and from present to past years' data that may indicate errors. The UCR staff members compare aggregated data from agencies of similar population size to identify any unusual fluctuations in an agency's crime counts. Large variations in crime levels may indicate modified records procedures, incomplete reporting, or changes in the jurisdiction's geopolitical structure.

**Evaluation of trends**—Data reliability is a high priority of the FBI, which brings any deviations or arithmetical adjustments to the attention of state UCR Programs or the submitting agencies. Typically, FBI staff members study the monthly reports to evaluate periodic trends prepared for individual reporting units. Any significant increase or decrease becomes the subject of a special inquiry. Changes in crime reporting procedures or annexations that affect an agency's jurisdiction can influence the level of reported crime. When this occurs, the FBI excludes the figures for specific crime categories or totals, if necessary, from the trend tabulations.

**Training for contributors**—In addition to the evaluation of trends, the FBI provides training seminars and instructional materials on crime reporting procedures to assist contributors in complying with UCR standards. Throughout the country, the national program maintains liaison with state UCR Programs and law enforcement personnel and holds training sessions to explain the purpose of the program, the rules of uniform classification and scoring, and the methods of assembling the information for reporting. When an individual agency has specific problems in compiling its crime statistics and its remedial efforts are unsuccessful, personnel from the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services Division may visit the contributor to aid in resolving the difficulties.

**Summary Reporting System User Manual**—The national UCR Program published the Summary Reporting System User Manual (June 20, 2013) which details procedures for classifying and scoring offenses and serves as the contributing agencies' basic resource for preparing reports. The national staff also produces correspondence to UCR contributors as needed and the UCR Program Quarterly. These provide policy updates and new information, as well as clarification of reporting issues.

The final responsibility for data submissions rests with the individual contributing law enforcement agency. Although the FBI makes every effort through its editing procedures, training practices, and correspondence to ensure the validity of the data it receives, the accuracy of the statistics depends primarily on the adherence of each contributor to the established standards of reporting. Deviations from these established standards that the national UCR Program cannot resolve may be brought to the attention of the Criminal Justice Information Systems Committees of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Sheriffs' Association.

#### **Population estimation**

For the 2015 population estimates used in this publication, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.

Population totals for 2000 and 2010 are from the U.S. Census Bureau's decennial population counts.

## **NIBRS** conversion

Thirty-three state programs are certified to provide their UCR data in the expanded NIBRS format. For presentation in this book, the NIBRS data were converted to the historical Summary Reporting System data. The UCR Program staff constructed the NIBRS database to allow for such conversion so that UCR's long-running time series could continue.

#### **Crime trends**

By showing fluctuations from year to year, trend statistics offer the data user an added perspective from which to study crime. Percent change tabulations in this publication are computed only for reporting agencies that provided comparable data for the periods under consideration. The FBI excludes from the trend calculations all figures except those received for common months from common agencies. Also excluded are unusual fluctuations of data that the FBI determines are the result of such variables as improved records procedures, annexations, etc.

## **Publication Annotation**

Narrative portions of this publication present percentage breakdowns for various facets of tabular data. Where percentage breakdowns are used, percentages may not add to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

#### **Caution to users**

Data users should exercise care in making any direct comparison between data in this publication and those in prior issues of *Crime in the United States.* Because of differing levels of participation from year to year and reporting problems that require the FBI to estimate crime counts for certain contributors, some data may not be comparable from year to year. In addition, this publication may contain updates to data provided in prior years' publications. For example, because of the receipt of additional data after the 2014 publication deadline, the 2014 Supplementary Homicide Report (SHR) data in that publication may not match the 2014 SHR data in this 2015 publication.

## 2015 arrest data considerations

- No 2015 arrest data were received from the District of Columbia's Metropolitan Police Department. The one agency in the District of Columbia for which 12 months of arrest data were received, the Metro Transit Police, has no attributable population.
- For 2015, only arrest totals (with no age or gender breakdowns) are available for Florida. Therefore, Florida arrest totals are included only in Table 69, "Arrests by State, 2015."
- Limited arrest data were received from the Illinois state UCR Program. (Arrest counts presented in Table 69, "Arrests by State, 2015" are for Chicago and Rockford only.)
- No 2015 arrest data were received from the New York City Police Department. However, arrest totals for this agency were estimated by the national UCR Program and were included in Table 29 "Estimated Number of Arrests, United States, 2015."
- Beginning in 2010, the national UCR Program no longer publishes data for runaways.

## **Offense estimation**

Tables 1 through 5 and Table 7 of this publication contain statistics for the entire United States. Because not all law enforcement agencies provide data for complete reporting periods, the FBI includes estimated crime numbers in these national presentations. The FBI estimates data for three areas: Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), cities outside MSAs, and nonmetropolitan counties. The FBI computes estimates for participating agencies not providing 12 months of complete offense data. For agencies supplying 3 to 11 months of offense data, the national UCR Program estimates for the missing data by following a standard estimation procedure using the data provided by the agency. If an agency has supplied less than 3 months of data, the FBI computes estimates by using the known crime figures of similar areas within a state and assigning the same proportion of crime volumes to nonreporting agencies. The estimation process considers the following: population size covered by the agency; type of jurisdiction, e.g., police department versus sheriff's office; and geographic location.

## **Estimation of state-level data**

In response to various circumstances, the FBI calculates estimated offense totals for certain states. For example, some states do not provide rape figures in accordance with UCR guidelines. In addition, problems at the state level have, at times, resulted in no useable data. Also, the efforts to convert to the NIBRS have contributed to the need for unique estimation procedures. A summary of state-specific and offense-specific estimation procedures follows.

State	Year(s)	Reason for Estimation	Estimation Method
Delaware	1998	The state UCR Program was unable to provide forcible rape figures in accordance with national UCR guidelines.	The forcible rape total was estimated by reducing the number of reported offenses by the proportion of male forcible rape victims statewide.
Florida	1996	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	The state UCR Program was able to provide an aggregated state total; data received from 94 individual Florida agencies are shown in the 1996 jurisdictional figures presented in Tables 8 through 11.
Illinois	1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	Valid violent crime and property crime offense counts, with the exception of forcible rape, were available for most of the largest cities (100,000 and over in population). For other agencies, the only available counts generated by the Illinois state UCR Program were state totals based upon an incident-level system without indication of multiple offenses recorded within single incidents. Therefore, the UCR Hierarchy Rule could not be applied in order to convert the state's data to SRS data. (The Hierarchy Rule requires that only the most serious offense in a multiple-offense

2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009	5 5 7 3	criminal incident is counted.) To arrive at a comparable state estimate to be included in national compilations, the Illinois state UCR Program's state totals (which were inflated because of the nonapplication of the Hierarchy Rule) were reduced by the proportion of multiple offenses reported within single incidents in the NIBRS database. Valid totals for the large cities were excluded from the reduction process.
2006 2007 2008 2009	<ul><li>unable to provide forcible rape</li><li>figures in accordance with</li></ul>	Forcible rape figures for Rockford include only the forcible rape offenses with female victims that were extracted from the agency's NIBRS data. To derive the state forcible rape estimate, the percentage of female forcible rape victims was extracted from all NIBRS incidents in which a forcible sex offense was reported. That percentage was applied to the forcible rape count received from the Illinois state UCR Program.

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Kansas	1996	The state UCR Program was	1996–The Kansas state estimate was extrapolated from 1996 January-
	1997	unable to provide complete	June state totals provided by the Kansas state UCR Program.
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			Kansas state UCR Program were updated using 1998 crime trends for the
			West North Central Division.
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	1998	offense figures in accordance	totals.
	1999	with UCR guidelines.	1997–The 1996 and 1997 percent changes registered for the East South
	2000		Central Division were applied to valid 1996 state totals to effect 1997 state
	2001		totals.
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	2003		1998–State totals were estimated by using 1997 figures for the
			nonreporting areas and applying 1997 versus 1998 percent changes in the
			East South Central Division. The estimates for the nonreporting areas
			were then increased by any actual 1998 crime counts received.
			1999–To arrive at 1999 estimates, 1998 state totals supplied by the
			Kentucky state UCR Program were updated using 1999 crime trends for
			the East South Central Division.
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			Kentucky state UCR Program were updated using 2000 crime trends for
			the East South Central Division.
			2001–To arrive at the 2001 estimates, the 2000 state estimates were
			updated using 2001 crime trends reported for the East South Central
			Division.
			2002–To obtain the 2002 state crime counts, the FBI contacted the state
			UCR Program, and the state agency provided their latest state totals,
			2000. Therefore, the 2001 state estimates were updated for inclusion in

			<ul> <li>the 2002 edition of Crime in the United States by using the 2001 crime trends for the East South Central Division. To derive the 2002 state estimate, the 2002 crime trends for the geographic division were applied to the adjusted 2001 state estimate.</li> <li>2003–To obtain the 2003 estimates, the 2003 crime trends for the East South Central Division were applied to adjusted 2002 state estimates.</li> <li>The 2002 state counts were reestimated by applying the 2002 crime trends for the East South Central Division using more current figures, 2001 totals provided by the state UCR Program. The adjusted 2002 estimates differ from the figures published in the 2002 edition of <i>Crime in the United States</i> which were originally estimated using 2001 totals.</li> </ul>
Maine	1999	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	The Maine Department of Public Safety forwarded monthly January through October crime counts for each law enforcement contributor; since 12 months of data were not received, the FBI estimated for the missing data following standard estimation procedures to arrive at a 1999 state total.

Minnesota	2006unable to provide forcible rapeto be included in nat2007figures in accordance withwas estimated by usi2008UCR guidelines.the eight population20092010volumes to Minneso201120112006-2012-Valid for2012Image: State of the state o		<ul> <li>2005–To arrive at a comparable state estimate for forcible rape offenses to be included in national compilations, Minnesota's forcible rape total was estimated by using the national rates per 100,000 inhabitants within the eight population groups and proportionally assigning forcible rape volumes to Minnesota's population groups.</li> <li>2006-2012–Valid forcible rape figures were available for Minneapolis and St. Paul. To arrive at a comparable state estimate for forcible rape offenses to be included in national compilations, the rest of Minnesota's forcible rape totals were estimated by using the national rates per 100,000 inhabitants within the eight population groups and proportionally assigning forcible rape volumes to Minnesota's population groups.</li> </ul>
Montana	1996 1997 1998 1999 2000	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	<ul> <li>1996–The 1995 and 1996 percent changes within the Mountain Division were applied to valid 1995 state totals to generate 1996 state totals.</li> <li>1997–The 1996 and 1997 percent changes registered for the Mountain Division, in which Montana is categorized, were applied to valid 1996 state totals to effect 1997 state totals.</li> <li>1998–State totals were estimated by using 1997 figures for the nonreporting areas and applying 1997 versus 1998 percent changes for the Mountain Division. The estimates for the nonreporting areas were then increased by any actual 1998 crime counts received.</li> </ul>

			<ul> <li>1999–To arrive at 1999 estimates, 1998 state totals supplied by the Montana state UCR Program were updated using 1999 crime trends for the Mountain Division.</li> <li>2000–To arrive at 2000 estimates, 1999 state totals supplied by the Montana state UCR Program were updated using 2000 crime trends for the Mountain Division.</li> </ul>
New Hampshire	1997 1998 1999	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	<ul> <li>1997–The 1996 and 1997 percent changes registered for the New England Division were applied to valid 1996 state totals to effect 1997 state totals.</li> <li>1998–State totals were estimated by using 1997 figures for the nonreporting areas and applying 1997 versus 1998 percent changes for the New England Division. The estimates for the nonreporting areas were then increased by any actual 1998 crime counts received.</li> <li>1999–The state totals were estimated by using the 1998 figures for the 1999 nonreporting areas and applying the 2-year percent change for the New England Division.</li> </ul>
Vermont	1997	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete offense figures in accordance with UCR guidelines.	The 1996 and 1997 percent changes registered for the New England Division were applied to valid 1996 state totals to effect 1997 state totals.
Wisconsin	1998	The state UCR Program was unable to provide complete	State totals were estimated by using 1997 figures for the nonreporting areas and applying 1997 versus 1998 percent changes for the East North

	Central Division. The estimates for the nonreporting areas were then	
with UCR guidelines. increased by any actual 1998 crime counts received.		

## **Table methodology**

The tables in this report are based upon varying levels of data submissions. For example, some participating agencies may submit data for some but not all months of the reporting year. Using well-established procedures, the FBI estimates for missing offense data for agencies with partial reports and for nonreporting agencies and then aggregates these estimates with data reported to determine the number of offenses for each state and the nation. Tables 1–5, 7, and 29 present these approximations. In addition, various circumstances require the FBI to estimate offense totals from time to time for some states. (An explanation of the estimation procedures applied to particular states during specific reporting years is provided in the Offense Estimation section.)

To be included in Tables 8–11 and 21 and 22, which provide statistics for specific jurisdictions and states, agencies must submit 12 months of complete data prior to the FBI's established deadlines. To be included in Table 20, agencies must submit supplementary homicide data. Tables 12–19, 23–28, 30–75, and 77 provide the number of reporting agencies (data source) and the total population covered by their collective jurisdictions. To be included in Tables 78–81, agencies must submit officer and civilian law enforcement employee counts as of October 31. For information on the classification of jurisdictions, see Area Definitions.

(1) Table	(2) Database	(3) Table Construction	(4) General Comments
1- 1A	The data used in creating the estimates for these tables were from all law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program (including those submitting less than 12 months of data). Crime statistics for the nation include estimated offense totals (except arson) for agencies submitting less than 12 months of offense reports for each year.	These tables provide the estimated number and rate (per 100,000 inhabitants) of reported crimes in the United States for 1996 through 2015, as well as the 2-, 5-, and 10-year trends for 2015 based on these estimates. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate for arson. The crime figures for 2014 have been adjusted from the prior year's publication. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
2	The data used in creating the estimates for this table were from all law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program (including those	This table provides estimated crime statistics for the nation, Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), cities outside metropolitan areas, and nonmetropolitan counties; the rate (per 100,000 inhabitants) for each grouping; and their estimated populations. For MSAs, cities outside metropolitan areas, and	The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate for arson. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the

The tabular presentation that follows briefly describes the data sources and the methods used to construct Tables 1–81.

submitting less than 12	nonmetropolitan counties, the table also includes	collection and presentation of
months of data).	crime statistics by area actually reporting.	rape data, changed. See Rape
-	crime statistics by area actually reporting. The statistics under the heading "Area actually reporting" represent offense totals for agencies submitting 12 months of data and estimated totals for agencies submitting less than 12 but more than 2 months of data. The statistics under the heading "Estimated total" represent the totals under "Area actually reporting" plus estimated totals for agencies submitting 2 months or less of data. The FBI derives national statistics for community types by using the community type estimates for individual states as shown in Table 5. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014	-
	2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged;	

3	The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program (including those submitting less than 12 months of data).	This table provides the 2015 percent distribution of estimated offenses and populations by region. The FBI computes regional offense distribution percentages using the volume estimates as shown in Table 4.	The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate for arson. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
4	The data used in creating	This table provides estimated number and rate (per	Any comparisons of crime
	the estimates for this	100,000 inhabitants) of crime in each region,	among different locales should
	table were from all law	geographic division, and state in 2014 and 2015, and	take into consideration relevant
	enforcement agencies in	the percent change in each.	factors in addition to the area's
	the UCR Program	The FBI derives state totals by estimating for	crime statistics. <i>UCR Statistics:</i>
	(including those	nonreporting and partially reporting agencies within	<i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more
	submitting less than 12	each state. Using the state's individual agency data	details concerning the proper
	months of data).	and estimates, the program aggregates a state total.	use of UCR statistics.
	Crime statistics include	For the 2015 population estimates used in this table,	The UCR Program does not have
	estimated offense totals	the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one	sufficient data to estimate for
	(except arson) for	year to the next for every city/town and county using	arson.
	agencies submitting less	2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through	Beginning in 2013, the definition
	than 12 months of	2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census	of a rape offense, as well as the
	offense reports for each	Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged;	collection and presentation of
	year.	that average was then applied and added to its 2014	rape data, changed. See Rape

		Census population estimate to derive the agency's	Addendum for details.
		2015 population estimate.	
5	<ul> <li>The data used in creating the estimates for this table were from all law enforcement agencies in the UCR Program (including those submitting less than 12 months of data).</li> <li>Crime statistics include estimated offense totals (except arson) for agencies submitting less than 12 months of offense reports for each year.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2015 population estimate.</li> <li>This table provides the estimated number of offenses and the rate of offenses per 100,000 inhabitants for each state.</li> <li>This table provides the estimated number of offenses and the actual number of offenses reported in MSAs, cities outside metropolitan areas, and nonmetropolitan counties; the rate (per 100,000 inhabitants) for each grouping; and the estimated population for each state.</li> <li>The statistics under the heading "Area actually reporting" represent offense totals for agencies submitting 12 months of data and estimated totals for agencies submitting less than 12 but more than 2 months of data.</li> <li>The statistics in the table under the heading "Estimated total" represent the totals under "Area actually reporting" plus estimated totals for agencies submitting 2 months or less of data.</li> <li>For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one</li> </ul>	The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate for arson. Any comparisons of crime among different locales should take into consideration relevant factors in addition to the area's crime statistics. <i>UCR Statistics:</i> <i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more details concerning the proper use of UCR statistics. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
		year to the next for every city/town and county using	

	2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	
6 The data used in creating the estimates for this table were from all law enforcement agencies in the UCR Program (including those submitting less than 12 months of data). Crime statistics include estimated offense totals (except arson) for agencies submitting less than 12 months of offense reports for each year.	This table provides actual and estimated crime data for MSAs and their estimated populations, the counties included in each MSA, and estimated populations for principal cities in MSAs. The table also includes statistics by area actually reporting, estimated total, and rate (per 100,000 inhabitants). This table provides crime statistics for the Metropolitan Divisions (MDs), which are subdivisions of MSAs that have a core population of at least 2.5 million people. The table also includes the rate (per 100,000 inhabitants) of offenses for each MD and actual and estimated offense totals. This table includes all currently designated MSAs in which at least 75 percent of the agencies within the MSA reported data to the UCR Program and for which the principal city/cities submitted 12 months of complete data for 2015.	The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate for arson. Any comparisons of crime among different locales should take into consideration relevant factors in addition to the area's crime statistics. <i>UCR Statistics:</i> <i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more details concerning the proper use of UCR statistics. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

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		The statistics under the heading "Total area actually reporting" represent offense totals for agencies submitting 12 months of data and estimated totals for agencies submitting less than 12 but more than 2 months of data.	
		The statistics under the heading "Estimated total" represent the above "Total area actually reporting" plus estimated totals for agencies submitting 2 months or less of data.	
		For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	
7	The data used in creating the estimates for this table were from all law enforcement agencies participating in the UCR Program (including those	This table provides estimations for the offenses of murder, rape, robbery, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft for the nation from 2011 to 2015. This table provides additional detail for the following offenses:	The data source from which the FBI derives Table 7 does not include aggravated assault or arson data. Beginning in 2013, the definition

submitting less than 12 months of data). Crime statistics include estimated offense tables (except arson) for agencies submitting less than 12 months of offense reports for each year.	<ul> <li>Robbery by location (such as street/highway, bank, residence).</li> <li>Burglary by location (residence or nonresidence) and time of day (night, day, or unknown).</li> <li>Larceny-theft by type (such as pocket-picking, purse-snatching, and shoplifting).</li> <li>The FBI estimates the breakdowns for robbery, burglary, and larceny-theft by first calculating the proportion of the total offenses represented by the breakdowns as presented in Table 23 and applying those percentages to the estimated offense totals as presented in Table 4.</li> </ul>	of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
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0	this table were from all	(murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, rape,	consideration relevant factors in
	city and town law	robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime	addition to the areas' crime
	enforcement agencies	(burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) as	statistics when making any valid
	submitting 12 months of	reported by city and town law enforcement agencies	comparisons of crime among
	complete offense data for	(listed alphabetically by state) that contributed data to	different locales. UCR Statistics:
	2015.	the UCR Program. (Note: Arson is not included in the	Their Proper Use provides more
		property crime total in this table; however, if complete	details concerning the proper
		arson data were provided, they will appear in the	use of UCR statistics.
		arson column.)	
			When the FBI determines that
		The FBI does not publish arson data unless it receives	an agency's data collection
		data from either the agency or the state for all 12	methodology does not comply
		months of the calendar year.	with national UCR guidelines,
			the figures for that agency's
		For the 2015 population estimates used in this table,	offense(s) will not be included in
		the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one	the table, and the discrepancy
		year to the next for every city/town and county using	will be explained in a footnote.
		2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through	-
		2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged;	of a rape offense, as well as the
		that average was then applied and added to its 2014	collection and presentation of
		Census population estimate to derive the agency's	rape data, changed. See Rape
		2015 population estimate.	Addendum for details.
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	university/college law	robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime	addition to the areas' crime
	enforcement agencies	(burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) as	statistics when making any valid
	submitting 12 months of	reported by university/college law enforcement	comparisons of crime among
	complete offense data for	agencies (listed alphabetically by state) that	different locales. UCR Statistics:
	2015.	contributed data to the UCR Program. (Note: Arson is	<i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more
		not included in the property crime total in this table;	details concerning the proper
		however, if complete arson data were provided, they	use of UCR statistics.
		will appear in the arson column.) The student enrollment figures provided by the U.S. Department of Education are for 2014, the most recent available. They include full- and part-time students.	When the FBI determines that an agency's data collection methodology does not comply with national UCR guidelines,
		The FBI does not publish arson data unless it receives data from either the agency or the state for all 12 months of the calendar year.	the figure for that agency's offense(s) will not be included in the table, and the discrepancy will be explained in a footnote.
			Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
10	The data used in creating this table were from all county law enforcement	This table provides the volume of violent crime (murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime	These data do not represent county totals because they exclude crime counts for city

agencies submitting 12	(burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) as	agencies and other types of
months of complete	reported by law enforcement agencies (such as	agencies that have jurisdiction
offense data for 2015.	individual sheriffs' offices and/or county police	within each county.
	<ul> <li>departments) in metropolitan counties and nonmetropolitan counties (listed alphabetically by state) that contributed data to the UCR Program.</li> <li>(Note: Arson is not included in the property crime total in this table; however, if complete arson data were provided, they will appear in the arson column.)</li> <li>The Metropolitan Counties classification encompasses jurisdictions covered by noncity law enforcement agencies located within currently designated Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). The Nonmetropolitan Counties classification encompasses jurisdictions covered by noncity agencies located outside currently designated MSAs.</li> <li>The FBI does not publish arson data unless it receives data from either the agency or the state for all 12 months of the calendar year.</li> </ul>	Readers should take into consideration relevant factors in addition to the areas' crime statistics when making any valid comparisons of crime among different locales. <i>UCR Statistics:</i> <i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more details concerning the proper use of UCR statistics. When the FBI determines that an agency's data collection methodology does not comply with national UCR guidelines, the figure for that agency's offense(s) will not be included in the table, and the discrepancy will be explained in a footnote. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape

The data used in creating this table were from all state, tribal, and other	This table provides the volume of violent crime (murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime	These data represent reported crime from individual state or territorial law enforcement
agencies submitting 12 months of complete offense data for 2015.	reported by state, tribal, and other law enforcement agencies (listed alphabetically by state) that contributed data to the UCR Program. (Note: Arson is not included in the property crime total in this table;	agencies (i.e., state police, highway patrol, tribal, and/or other law enforcement agencies managed by the state or territory) participating in the
	however, if complete arson data were provided, they will appear in the arson column.) The FBI does not publish arson data unless it receives	UCR Program. Readers should take into consideration relevant factors in
	data from either the agency or the state for all 12 months of the calendar year.	addition to the areas' crime statistics when making any valid comparisons of crime among different locales. <i>UCR Statistics:</i>
		<i>Their Proper Use</i> provides more details concerning the proper use of UCR statistics.
		When the FBI determines that an agency's data collection methodology does not comply with national UCR guidelines,
	state, tribal, and other law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of complete	state, tribal, and other law enforcementrobbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime (burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) as reported by state, tribal, and other law enforcement agencies (listed alphabetically by state) that contributed data to the UCR Program. (Note: Arson is not included in the property crime total in this table; however, if complete arson data were provided, they will appear in the arson column.)The FBI does not publish arson data unless it receives data from either the agency or the state for all 12

			offense(s) will not be included in the table, and the discrepancy will be explained in a footnote. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
12–15	The data used in creating these tables were from all law enforcement agencies submitting at least 6 common months of complete offense reports for 2014 and 2015.	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of offenses for 2014 and 2015 and the percent change between these 2 years. In calculating trends, the UCR Program includes only common reported months for individual agencies. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate.	Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

16–19	The data used in creating	These tables provide the rate per 100,000 inhabitants	The UCR Program does not have
	these tables were from all	and the number of offenses known to law enforcement	sufficient data to publish arson
	law enforcement	for violent crime (murder and nonnegligent	offenses. Information about
	agencies submitting 12	manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault)	arson can be found in Arson
	months of complete data	and property crime (burglary, larceny-theft, and motor	Tables 1 and 2.
	(except arson, which is	vehicle theft) for law enforcement agencies submitting	
	not included in these	12 months of complete data (except arson) for 2015. In	The UCR Program does not
	tables) for 2015.	addition, these tables furnish the number of agencies	include murder or arson
		meeting the criteria for inclusion in these tables and	offenses in Table 19.
		provide the estimated population for each population	Information about these
		group.	offenses can be found in the
			respective sections of this
		The FBI derived the offense rates by first dividing the	report: Expanded Homicide
		total aggregated offense counts by the aggregated	Data and Arson.
		populations covered by contributing agencies for	
		which 12 months of complete data were supplied and	The totals provided in Table 19
		then multiplying the resulting figure by 100,000.	reflect only those offenses for
			which law enforcement agencies
		The suburban and nonsuburban cities classifications	provided additional information
		in Table 17 encompass all cities other than principal	to the UCR Program; therefore,
		cities served by municipal law enforcement agencies in	the totals will not match those
		MSAs.	shown in other rate tables.
		For the 2015 population estimates used in these	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	of a rape offense, as well as the
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	-
			collection and presentation of
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	rape data, changed. See Rape

		2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	Addendum for details.
20	The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies that submitted supplementary homicide data for 2015.	This table provides the type of weapons used in murder offenses. The data are based on the aggregated data from agencies within each state for which supplementary homicide data (e.g., weapon information) were reported to the FBI. The table also includes a breakdown of the types of firearms used in murders (i.e., handguns, rifles, shotguns, or firearms [type unknown]). The weapon totals are aggregated from all murders for which the FBI received supplemental homicide data for calendar year 2015.	The supplementary homicide data submitted by the Florida state UCR Program did not meet UCR guidelines and were not included in this table. The FBI received limited supplementary homicide data from the Illinois and Alabama state UCR Programs.
21, 22	The data used in creating these tables were from all law enforcement agencies that submitted complete offense reports for 12 months in 2015.	These tables provide the type of weapons used in robberies (Table 21) and aggravated assaults (Table 22). The tables include the number of agencies that submitted data by state and the population covered by those agencies. The weapon totals are aggregated from all robberies and aggravated assaults for which the FBI received	The FBI received limited weapon data from the Illinois state UCR Program.

		weapon breakdowns. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	
23, 24	The data used in creating these tables were from all law enforcement agencies submitting at least 6 months of complete property/ circumstance data for 2015.	The FBI derives trends by comparing statistics from agencies with at least 6 common months of complete data reports for 2014 and 2015. Table 23 provides an analysis of the crimes of murder, rape, robbery, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft. The table also lists the number of these offenses reported in 2015 and the percentage change in the number of these offenses when compared with 2014 data. The offense of aggravated assault is not included in Table 23. In the UCR Program, the taking of money or property in connection with an assault is reported as robbery.	The FBI presents offense totals for the crimes of murder and rape, and then, based on supplemental data supplied by law enforcement, the FBI computes average value lost totals for the crimes of robbery, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft. The data source from which the FBI derives the information for this table does not include arson. Information regarding the

		The percent distribution statistics are based on the offense totals for the crimes of robbery, burglary, and larceny-theft. Table 24 provides property types, the reported value of stolen property, and the value of recovered property. This table also lists the percentage of recovered value of each property type. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate.	average value of property damage due to arson can be found in Arson Table 2. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
25-28	The data used in creating	These tables provide the number of violent crimes,	Beginning in 2013, the definition
	these tables were from all	property crimes, and arsons with a breakdown of the	of a rape offense, as well as the
	law enforcement	offenses known to law enforcement and the	collection and presentation of
	agencies submitting at	percentage of those offenses that were cleared by	rape data, changed. See Rape
	least 6 months of	arrest or exceptional means.	Addendum for details.
	complete offense reports	Not all agencies submit data reports for arson to the	The following information
	for 2015.	FBI. Therefore, the agency counts and estimated	pertains only to Table 28:

<ul> <li>population presented in this table do not represent participation for the reporting of arson.</li> <li>The FBI bases percent cleared statistics on aggregated offense and clearance totals.</li> <li>For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>When an offender under the age of 18 is cited to appear in juvenile court or before other juvenile authorities, the UCR Program considers the incident to be cleared by arrest, even though a physical arrest may not have occurred.</li> <li>Clearances for offenses that include both adult and juvenile offenders are classified as clearances for crimes committed by adults and</li> </ul>
	are, therefore, not included in this table.
	<ul> <li>Because the clearance percentages for crimes committed by juveniles include only those clearances in which no adults were involved, the figures in this table</li> </ul>

			should not be used to present a definitive picture of juvenile involvement in crime.
29	The data used in creating the estimates for this table were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	This table provides the estimated number of persons arrested in the United States in 2015. The arrest totals presented are national estimates based on the arrest statistics of all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data to the UCR Program. The estimated total number of arrests in this table is the sum of estimated arrest volumes for 27 offenses, not including suspicion. The arrest data for each of the individual offenses in this table is the sum of the estimated volume of arrests for that offense within each of the eight population groups. (See Area Definitions.) The FBI calculated each of the eight population group's arrest estimates by dividing the reported 12- month volume figures (as shown in Table 31) by the contributing agencies' jurisdictional populations. The resulting figure was then multiplied by the total population for each population group as estimated by	Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

		the UCR Program.	
30, 31	The data used in creating these tables were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	These tables provide the number of persons arrested and the arrest rate per 100,000 inhabitants for the four regions of the United States (Table 30), the eight UCR population groups (Table 31), and the nation as a whole (both tables) in 2015. The FBI derived the arrest rates by first dividing the total number of arrests by the aggregated populations covered by contributing agencies and then multiplying the resulting figure by 100,000. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
32, 33	The data used in creating these tables were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12	These 10-year trend tables provide the number of persons arrested in 2006 and 2015 and the percent change when the data for these 2 years are compared. Table 32 furnishes a breakdown of these data by	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during

	months of arrest data for	juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 33	a year. Therefore, the statistics
	both 2006 and 2015.	furnishes a breakdown of these data by juveniles and	in this table could, in some
		adults.	cases, represent multiple arrests
			of the same person.
		For the 2015 population estimates used in these	
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	of a rape offense, as well as the
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	collection and presentation of
		2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S.	rape data, changed. See Rape
		Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were	Addendum for details.
		averaged; that average was then applied and added to	
		its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the	
		agency's 2015 population estimate.	
		The FBI calculated 2006 state growth rates using	
		revised 2005 state/national population estimates and	
		2006 provisional state/national population estimates	
		provided by the U.S. Census Bureau. The FBI then	
		estimated population figures for city jurisdictions by	
		applying the 2006 state growth rate to the updated	
		2005 U.S. Census Bureau data.	
34, 35	The data used in creating	These 5-year trend tables provide the number of	These data represent the
,	these tables were from all	persons arrested in 2011 and 2015 and the percent	number of persons arrested;
	law enforcement	change when the data for these 2 years are compared.	however, some persons may be
	agencies submitting 12	Table 34 furnishes a breakdown of these data by	arrested more than once during
	months of arrest data for	juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 35	a year. Therefore, statistics in

	both 2011 and 2015.	furnishes a breakdown of these data by gender for	this table could, in some cases,
		juveniles.	represent multiple arrests of the
			same person.
		For the 2015 population estimates used in these	
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	of a rape offense, as well as the
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	collection and presentation of
		2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S.	rape data, changed. See Rape
		Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were	Addendum for details.
		averaged; that average was then applied and added to	
		its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the	
		agency's 2015 population estimate.	
		The FBI calculated 2011 state growth rates using the	
		U.S. Census Bureau's 2010 decennial state/national	
		population figures and 2011 provisional state/national	
		population estimates. The FBI then estimated	
		population figures for city jurisdictions by applying	
		the 2011 state growth rate to the 2010 U.S. Census	
		Bureau data.	
36, 37	The data used in creating	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of	These data represent the
-,	these tables were from all	persons arrested in 2014 and 2015 and the percent	number of persons arrested;
	law enforcement	change when the data for these 2 years are compared.	however, some persons may be
	agencies submitting 12	Table 36 furnishes a breakdown of these data by	arrested more than once during
	months of arrest data for	juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 37	a year. Therefore, the statistics
	both 2014 and 2015.	furnishes a breakdown of these data by gender for	in this table could, in some

		juveniles.	cases, represent multiple arrests
		For the 2015 population estimates used in these	of the same person.
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	of a rape offense, as well as the
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	collection and presentation of
		2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S.	rape data, changed. See Rape
		Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were	Addendum for details.
		averaged; that average was then applied and added to	
		its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the	
		agency's 2015 population estimate.	
		For the 2014 population estimates used in this table,	
		the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one	
		year to the next for every city/town and county using	
		2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through	
		2013 population estimates from the U.S. Census	
		Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged;	
		that average was then applied and added to its 2013	
		Census population estimate to derive the agency's	
		2014 population estimate.	
38-43	The data used in creating	These tables provide the number of persons arrested	These data represent the
00 10	these tables were from all	nationwide in 2015 for the offenses for which the UCR	number of persons arrested;
	law enforcement	Program collects arrest data. Tables 38–40 provide	however, some persons may be
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	agencies submitting 12	these data broken down by the age of the arrestee and	arrested more than once during
	months of arrest data for	include the percent distribution of arrests by offense	a year. Therefore, the statistics

2015.	type. Table 41 furnishes the data within the following	in this table could, in some
	age groups: Under 15, Under 18, Under 21, and	cases, represent multiple arrests
	Under 25 years. Table 42 supplies breakdowns of	of the same person.
	these data for each offense and supplies a percent distribution of males and females arrested among all offense types. Table 43 provides the data by the race and ethnicity of the arrestee and the percent distribution of arrests by race for each offense.	Table 39 provides these data for males only and Table 40 provides the data for females only.
	For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The totals provided in Table 43 reflect only those persons arrested by law enforcement agencies that provided race information to the UCR Program; therefore, the totals may not match those shown in other arrest tables for the nation.
		In Table 43, the ethnicity totals are representative of those agencies that provided ethnicity breakdowns. Not all agencies provide ethnicity data; therefore, the race and ethnicity totals will not be equal.
		Beginning in 2013, the definition

			of a rape offense, as well as the
			collection and presentation of
			rape data, changed. See Rape
			Addendum for details.
44, 45	The data used in creating	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of	These data represent the
	these tables were from all	persons arrested in cities in 2014 and 2015 and the	number of persons arrested;
	city law enforcement	percent change when the data for these 2 years are	however, some persons may be
	agencies submitting 12	compared. Table 44 furnishes a breakdown of these	arrested more than once during
	months of arrest data for	data by juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults.	a year. Therefore, the statistics
	both 2014 and 2015.	Table 45 furnishes a breakdown of these data by	in these tables could, in some
		gender for juveniles.	cases, represent multiple arrests
			of the same person.
		For the 2015 population estimates used in these	
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	Beginning in 2013, the definition
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	of a rape offense, as well as the
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	collection and presentation of
		2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S.	rape data, changed. See Rape
		Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were	Addendum for details.
		averaged; that average was then applied and added to	
		its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the	
		agency's 2015 population estimate.	
		For the 2014 population estimates used in these	
		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth	
		from one year to the next for every city/town and	
		county using 2010 decennial population counts and	

		2011 through 2013 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2013 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2014 population estimate.	
46-49	The data used in creating these tables were from all city law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	These tables provide the number of persons arrested in cities in 2015 for the offenses for which the UCR Program collects arrest data. Table 46 provides these data broken down by the age of the arrestee and includes the percent distribution of arrests by offense type. Table 47 furnishes the data within the following age groups: Under 15, Under 18, Under 21, and Under 25 years. Table 48 supplies breakdowns of these data for each offense and supplies a percent distribution of males and females arrested among all offense types. Table 49 provides the data by the race and ethnicity of the arrestee and the percent distribution of arrests by race for each offense. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. The totals provided in Table 49 reflect only those persons arrested by law enforcement agencies that provided race information to the UCR Program; therefore, the totals may not match those shown in other arrest tables for cities. Not all agencies that provide race data provide ethnicity data; therefore numbers will not

		its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the	match.
		agency's 2015 population estimate.	Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
50, 51	The data used in creating these tables were from all metropolitan county law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for both 2014 and 2015.	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of persons arrested in metropolitan counties in 2014 and 2015 and the percent change when the data for these 2 years are compared. Table 50 furnishes a breakdown of these data by juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 51 furnishes a breakdown of these data by gender for juveniles. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate. For the 2014 population estimate.	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2013 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2013 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2014 population estimate.	
the met enf sub	ese tables were from all etropolitan county law forcement agencies bmitting 12 months of rest data for 2015.	These tables provide the number of persons arrested in metropolitan counties in 2015 for the offenses for which the UCR Program collects arrest data. The data in Table 52 are broken down by age of the arrestee and include the percent distribution of arrests by offense type. Table 53 supplies the number arrested within the following age groups: Under 15, Under 18, Under 21, and Under 25 years. Table 54 furnishes breakdowns of these data by gender for each offense and supplies a percent distribution of males and females arrested among all offense types. Table 55 furnishes a breakdown by race and ethnicity of the arrestee and the percent distribution of arrests by race for each offense. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. The totals provided in Table 55 reflect only those persons arrested by law enforcement agencies that provided race and ethnicity information to the UCR Program; therefore, the totals may not match those shown in other arrest tables for

		county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	metropolitan counties. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
56, 57	The data used in creating these tables were from all nonmetropolitan county law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for both 2014 and 2015.	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of persons arrested in nonmetropolitan counties in 2014 and 2015 and the percent change when the data for these 2 years are compared. Table 56 furnishes a breakdown of these data by juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 57 furnishes a breakdown of these data by gender for juveniles. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate.	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

		For the 2014 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2013 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2013 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2014 population estimate.	
58-61	The data used in creating these tables were from all nonmetropolitan county law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	These tables provide the number of persons arrested in nonmetropolitan counties in 2015 for the offenses for which the UCR Program collects arrest data. Table 58 supplies these data broken down by age of the arrestee and includes the percent distribution of arrests by offense type. Table 59 furnishes the number arrested within the following age groups: Under 15, Under 18, Under 21, and Under 25 years. Table 60 provides breakdowns of these data for each offense and supplies a percent distribution of males and females arrested among all offense types. Table 61 furnishes the data broken down by race and ethnicity of the arrestee and the percent distribution of arrests by race for each offense. For the 2015 population estimates used in these	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. The totals provided in Table 61 reflect only those persons arrested by law enforcement agencies that provided race and ethnicity information to the UCR Program; therefore, the totals may not match those shown in

		tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	other arrest tables for nonmetropolitan counties. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
62, 63	The data used in creating these tables were from all suburban area law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for both 2014 and 2015.	These 2-year trend tables provide the number of persons arrested in suburban areas for 2014 and 2015 and the percent change when the data for these 2 years are compared. Table 62 furnishes a breakdown of these data by juveniles (persons under age 18) and adults. Table 63 furnishes a breakdown of those data by gender for juveniles. For the 2015 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate.	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.

		For the 2014 population estimates used in these tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2013 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2013 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2014 population estimate.	
64-67	The data used in creating these tables were from all suburban area law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	These tables provide the number of arrests in suburban areas in 2015 for the offenses for which the UCR Program collects arrest data. The data included in Table 64 are broken down by age of the arrestee and include the percent distribution of arrests by offense type. Table 65 provides the number arrested within the following age groups: Under 15, Under 18, Under 21, and Under 25 years. Table 66 furnishes breakdowns for each offense and supplies a percent distribution of males and females arrested among all offense types. Table 67 furnishes the data broken down by race and ethnicity of the arrestee. In addition, the table shows the percent distribution of arrests by race for each offense. For the 2015 population estimates used in these	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. The totals provided in Table 67 reflect only those persons arrested by law enforcement agencies that provided race and ethnicity information to the UCR Program; therefore, the totals may not match those shown in

	tables, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	other arrest tables for suburban areas. Beginning in 2013, the definition of a rape offense, as well as the collection and presentation of rape data, changed. See Rape Addendum for details.
68 The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2015 and providing juvenile disposition information.	The totals in this table represent the reported number of juvenile offenders taken into custody, aggregated by population group. In addition, this table provides the number of juveniles handled within five different disposition categories. The percent distribution within these categories for each population group is also included. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	These data represent the reported number of juvenile offenders taken into custody; however, some juveniles may be taken into custody more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple detentions of the same person. In constructing this table, the FBI accepted each individual state's age definition for juveniles.

69	The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies that submitted 12 months of arrest data for 2015.	This table provides arrest data for the offenses for which the UCR Program collects data and is broken down by state for 2015. The table provides both total arrests and arrests of juveniles (persons under the age of 18). Arrest totals are aggregates of the totals reported by agencies providing data to the UCR Program within each state. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate.	These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person. Any comparison of statistics in this table should take into consideration variances in arrest practices, particularly for Part II crimes. (Offenses in Uniform Crime Reporting defines the UCR Program's Part II offenses.)
70	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number and rate per 1,000 inhabitants of law enforcement employees broken down by region, geographic division, and population group. The totals for full-time law enforcement employees in metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties are	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside

		combined in this table. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's	specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.
		2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014	clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and
71	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement officer counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number and rate per 1,000 inhabitants of sworn law enforcement officers broken down by region, geographic division, and population group. The totals for full-time law enforcement officers in metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties are combined in this table. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged;	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement.

		that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	
72	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table includes the number of agencies that fall within specified rate ranges of employment by population group for law enforcement personnel, both sworn officers and civilian employees. The FBI derived the rate of full-time law enforcement employees per population group by first dividing the aggregated total of personnel for the group by the aggregated estimated populations covered by the contributing agencies within the group and then multiplying the resulting figure by 1,000. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics. Agencies with no resident population; i.e., those associated with universities and colleges (see Table 79), other agencies (see Table 81), and some state agencies; are excluded from this table. Therefore, the total

			number of agencies used in this table differs from that provided in other law enforcement employee tables.
73	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement officer counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table includes the number of agencies that fall within specified rate ranges of employment by population group for law enforcement officers. The FBI derived the rate of full-time law enforcement officers per population group by first dividing the aggregated total of officers for the group by the aggregated estimated populations covered by the contributing agencies within the group and then multiplying the resulting figure by 1,000. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Agencies with no resident population; i.e., those associated with universities and colleges (see Table 79), other agencies (see Table 81), and some state agencies; are excluded from this table. Therefore, the total number of agencies used in this table differs from that provided in other law enforcement officer tables.

74	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table includes the number of reported sworn law enforcement officers and civilian employees broken down by population group. The totals are also broken down by percent male and percent female. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.
75	The information in this table is derived from civilian law enforcement counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table includes data about civilian law enforcement employees by population group. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014	Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.

		Census population estimate to derive the agency's	
		2015 population estimate.	
76	The information in this table is derived from law	This table provides the number of state law enforcement employees, the number of male officers,	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as
	enforcement employee	the number of female officers, the number of male	individuals who ordinarily carry
	counts (as of October 31,	civilian employees, and the number of female civilian	a firearm and a badge, have full
	2015) submitted by	employees listed alphabetically by state.	arrest powers, and are paid from
	participating agencies.		governmental funds set aside
			specifically to pay sworn law
			enforcement.
			Civilian employees include full-
			time agency personnel such as
			clerks, radio dispatchers, meter
			attendants, stenographers,
			jailers, correctional officers, and
			mechanics.
			Caution should be used when
			comparing data from one state
			to that of another. The
			responsibilities of the various
			state police, highway patrol, and
			department of public safety
			agencies range from full law
			enforcement duties to only

		traffic patrol, which can impact both the level of employment for agencies as well as the ratio of sworn officers to civilians employed. Any valid comparison must take these factors and the other identified variables affecting crime into consideration.
The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number of law enforcement employees, the number of male officers, the number of female officers, the number of male civilian employees, and the number of female civilian employees listed alphabetically by state. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.

78	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed by city/town law enforcement agencies listed alphabetically by state. For the 2015 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2014 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2014 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2015 population estimate.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.
79	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed by universities and colleges listed alphabetically by state. The student enrollment figures provided by the United States Department of Education are for the 2014 school year, the most recent year for which the data are available. The figures include full-time and part- time students.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full-

			time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.
80	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed by agencies in metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties listed alphabetically by state.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.

81	The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2015) submitted by participating agencies.	This table provides the number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed by state, tribal, and other agencies, listed alphabetically by state.	The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement. Civilian employees include full- time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.
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