



Crimes Against Persons, Property, and Society

Each NIBRS offense belongs to one of three categories: Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, and Crimes Against Society. Crimes Against Persons, e.g., murder, rape, and assault, are those whose victims are always individuals. The object of Crimes Against Property, e.g., robbery, bribery, and burglary, is to obtain money, property, or some other benefit. Crimes Against Society, e.g., gambling, prostitution, and drug violations, represent society's prohibition against engaging in certain types of activity; they are typically victimless crimes in which property is not the object.

For counting purposes, agencies should count one offense for each victim of a Crime Against Person, one offense for each distinct operation of a Crime Against Property (with the exception of motor vehicle theft, where one offense is counted for each stolen vehicle), and one offense for each Crime Against Society.

In addition, each offense reported in the NIBRS is either a Group A or Group B offense type. There are 22 Group A offense categories comprised of 46 Group A offenses and 10 Group B offense categories including 10 Group B offenses. Law enforcement agencies report Group A offenses as part of a NIBRS incident report, but they report only arrest data for Group B offenses. (*NIBRS 2011* presents only incidents with offense reports, not arrest data.)

The listings of the Group A and Group B offenses appearing in this section indicate whether offenses are Crimes Against Persons, Property, or Society. The crime categories are presented in alphabetical order within each offense grouping.

Group A Offenses

Offense Category	Offense Type	Crime Against
Arson	Arson	Property
Assault Offenses	Aggravated Assault	Person
	Simple Assault	Person
	Intimidation	Person
Bribery	Bribery	Property
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	Burglary/Breaking & Entering	Property



Group A Offenses (continued)

Offense Category	Offense Type	Crime Against
Counterfeiting/Forgery	Counterfeiting/Forgery	Property
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	Property
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	Drug/Narcotic Violations	Society
	Drug Equipment Violations	Society
Embezzlement	Embezzlement	Property
Extortion/Blackmail	Extortion/Blackmail	Property
Fraud Offenses	False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	Property
	Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	Property
	Impersonation	Property
	Welfare Fraud	Property
	Wire Fraud	Property
Gambling Offenses	Betting/Wagering	Society
	Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	Society
	Gambling Equipment Violations	Society
	Sports Tampering	Society
Homicide Offenses	Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	Person
	Negligent Manslaughter	Person
	Justifiable Homicide	Person/Not a Crime
Kidnapping/Abduction	Kidnapping/Abduction	Person



Group A Offenses (continued)

Offense Category	Offense Type	Crime Against
Larceny/Theft Offenses		
	Pocket-picking	Property
	Purse-snatching	Property
	Shoplifting	Property
	Theft From Building	Property
	Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	Property
	Theft From Motor Vehicle	Property
	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	Property
	All Other Larceny	Property
Motor Vehicle Theft		
	Motor Vehicle Theft	Property
Pornography/Obscene Material		
	Pornography/Obscene Material	Society
Prostitution Offenses		
	Prostitution	Society
	Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	Society
Robbery		
	Robbery	Property
Sex Offenses, Forcible		
	Forcible Rape	Person
	Forcible Sodomy	Person
	Sexual Assault With An Object	Person
	Forcible Fondling	Person
Sex Offenses, Nonforcible		
	Incest	Person
	Statutory Rape	Person
Stolen Property Offenses		
	Stolen Property Offenses	Property
Weapon Law Violations		
	Weapon Law Violations	Society



There are 10 Group B offense categories. They encompass all of the crimes that are not Group A offenses. The Group B offense categories are listed below in alphabetical order.

Group B Offenses

Offense Category	Offense Type	Crime Against
Bad Checks	Bad Checks	Property
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	Society
Disorderly Conduct	Disorderly Conduct	Society
Driving Under the Influence	Driving Under the Influence	Society
Drunkenness	Drunkenness	Society
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	Society
Liquor Law Violations	Liquor Law Violations	Society
Peeping Tom	Peeping Tom	Society
Runaway*	Runaway	Not a Crime
Trespass of Real Property	Trespass of Real Property	Society
All Other Offenses	All Other Offenses	Person, Property, or Society

**Note: In January 2011, the FBI discontinued the collection of arrest data for runaways. Agencies may continue to collect data on runaways, but the FBI will no longer use or publish that data.*