



Data Declaration

Offenders

Age Category by Offense Category, 2012

The FBI collects these data through the FBI UCR Program's NIBRS.

General Comment

This table shows the age category of the offender by offense category.

Methodology

This table uses the following rules and then aggregates the data by the age category of the offenders and offense category:

- Offenders – count one for each offender, i.e., Offender Segment, that does not contain an unknown offender, i.e., Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) is 00 = Unknown Offender per offense type.
- Age Category – determine age category by the data value in Data Element 37 (Age of Offender). For this table, an Adult is an offender who is age 18 or older and a Juvenile is an offender who is under 18 years of age. The Unknown column represents the number of offender's where the offender's age was unknown.
- Number of Unknown Offenders – count the number of incidents where Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) is 00 = Unknown Offender.

Note: This table does not include unknown offenders. Unknown Offender is the term used when nothing is known about the offender, i.e., Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) contains 00 = Unknown Offender. For example, when a corpse is found in a ditch and there are no eyewitnesses or other information that would provide law enforcement with leads about possible offenders.