## **Data Declaration**

## Offense Category by Gang Involvement, 2012

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

## **General Comment**

This table shows the number of offenses per offense category by the offender's gang involvement.

## **Methodology**

This table uses the following rules and then aggregates the data by whether the offender was involved in a gang:

- Offenses columns count as indicated for each offense type in Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code) and then combine the figures into offense categories (in a multipleoffense incident, count one for each offense type in the incident):
  - Crime Against Person: count one for each victim, i.e., Victim Segment.
  - Crime Against Property: count one for each unique offense type.
- Gang Involvement count one in each gang involvement category for each offense type where Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information) contains the applicable data value, i.e., J = Juvenile Gang, G = Other Gang, N = None/Unknown, respectively.

Notes: Since offenders may be associated with more than one type of gang, this table counts each applicable type of gang involvement.

Juvenile Gang refers to a group of persons, the majority of whom are under 18 years of age, who act in concert, especially for antisocial or criminal purposes; members typically have common identifying signs and symbols, such as hand signals and distinctive colors; they are also known as street gangs.

Other Gang refers to persons associated with the world of criminal gangs and organized crime commonly related to widespread criminal activities that are coordinated and controlled through a central syndicate and who rely on their unlawful activities for income; they traditionally extort money from businesses by intimidation, violence, or other illegal methods.

Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information is collected for 11 NIBRS offense types:

09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter

09B = Negligent Manslaughter

100 = Kidnapping/Abduction

11A = Forcible Rape

11B = Forcible Sodomy

11C = Sexual Assault With An Object

11D = Forcible Fondling

120 = Robbery

13A = Aggravated Assault

13B = Simple Assault

13C = Intimidation

Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information) cannot contain N = None/Unknown along with any other data value.

Gang Involvement will not add to Total Offenses because this data element is not mandatory and NIBRS-reporting agencies do not all submit this type of information.