Data Declaration

Participation by State, 2015

The FBI collected these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

General Comment

This table shows the number of law enforcement agencies (LEAs) that contributed data to the UCR Program via NIBRS for 2015 and estimates of the populations covered by these agencies in each state.

Participation Status

Based on data submissions for 2015, the FBI's UCR Program has certified 33 states to report data via NIBRS. Of the 33 certified states, 16 states (Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Montana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia) submit all of their agencies' crime data via NIBRS. The other 17 certified states (Arizona, Connecticut, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin) have both agencies that submit their data through the Summary Reporting System and those that submit their data via NIBRS. Additionally, the UCR program has certified 98 agencies in Alabama, Illinois, Indiana, and Mississippi, as well as 1 agency in the District of Columbia that directly report UCR data through NIBRS.

Methodology

The number of participating agencies includes those LEAs that reported at least one *Group A Offense Report*, *Group B Arrest Report*, or *Zero Report* via NIBRS for one or more months of the 2015 calendar year.

Population Estimation

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.