



## Data Declaration

### Number of Law Enforcement Agencies and Population Covered, Enrolled, Participation Status, and Method of Data Submission, by Population Group, 2017

The FBI collected these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

#### General Comments

This table shows the number of law enforcement agencies (LEAs) who were actively enrolled in the UCR Program in 2017 and the number of law enforcement agencies who participated in the UCR Program by submitting data. Furthermore, the table specifies the number of LEAs who submitted their UCR data via the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) and those who submitted via the Summary Reporting System (SRS). In addition, the table provides population estimates of these agencies' jurisdictions and distributes the agency counts and population figures by their population groupings.

Because LEAs enrolled in the UCR Program are comprised of those who submitted data as well as a few that did not, figures listed for submitting agencies and their respective population groups are essentially a subset of the figures listed for enrolled UCR participants and population groups. Likewise, figures for NIBRS contributors and SRS contributors are subsets of submitting agencies and their respective population groups.

#### Participation Status

In 2017, 6,998 LEAs reported crime data to the UCR Program via NIBRS. These agencies represent approximately 38 percent of all agencies that were eligible to participate in the UCR Program and covered approximately 32 percent of those agencies' population. When considering only the 16,655 agencies who submitted UCR data, NIBRS agencies represent 42 percent of submitting agencies and covered 33 percent of those agencies' populations.

#### Methodology

Figures under the column headed *Actively Enrolled in the UCR Program* represents those agencies that reported their UCR data through either NIBRS or SRS as well as those LEAs that had an active originating agency identifier but did not contribute data to UCR in 2017. Figures under the column headed *Total Participants Submitting Data* includes those LEAs that reported data through either NIBRS or SRS and excludes those agencies that did not submit data. The number of submitting agencies in the column headed *Submitted Data via National Incident-Based Reporting System*, 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 2017 calendar year. Finally, the column headed *Submitted Data via Summary Reporting System* submitted at least one Return A Record Card to the UCR Program for one or more months of the 2017 calendar year.

### **Population Estimation**

For the 2017 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 2016 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 2016 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2017 population estimate.