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Death in Custody Reporting Act Collection Program, FY 2016 – Federal Agencies



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION

The Death in Custody Reporting Act (DCRA) of 2013 (P.L. 113-242) requires the head of each Federal law enforcement agency to report annually to the Attorney General "information regarding the death of any person who is—

"(1) detained, under arrest, or is in the process of being arrested by any officer of such Federal law enforcement agency (or by any State or local law enforcement officer while participating in and for purposes of a Federal law enforcement operation, task force, or any other Federal law enforcement capacity carried out by such Federal law enforcement agency); or

"(2) en route to be incarcerated or detained, or is incarcerated or detained at—(A) any facility (including any immigration or juvenile facility) pursuant to a contract with such Federal law enforcement agency; (B) any State or local government facility used by such Federal law enforcement agency; or (C) any Federal correctional facility or Federal pre-trial detention facility located within the United States."

In response to the DCRA of 2013 reporting requirements, the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) is conducting a **survey of federal agencies with law enforcement, detention, and/or incarceration functions**. The survey is designed to identify deaths that occur during the course of official federal law enforcement, detention and incarceration agency functions and to collect additional information about the decedent and the circumstances surrounding the incident.

For the purposes of this survey, please identify all deaths that (1) are arrest-related or (2) occur in detention or incarceration facilities.

(1) A death is "**arrest-related**" when the event causing the death (e.g., gunshot wound, self-inflicted injury, cardiac arrest, fall from a height, drowning) occurs while the decedent's freedom to leave is restricted by federal law enforcement personnel acting in an official capacity. Arrest-related deaths include:

- Any death attributed to **any use of force** by federal law enforcement personnel
- Any death that occurred while the decedent's freedom to leave was restricted by federal law enforcement **prior to, during, or following an arrest**:
 - While detained for questioning or investigation (e.g., Terry stop)
 - During the process of apprehension (e.g., pursuit of criminal suspect, standoff with law enforcement)
 - While in the custody of, or shortly after restraint by, law enforcement (even if the decedent was not formally under arrest)
 - Deaths that occur during transport to or from law enforcement, detention, incarceration or medical facilities
- Any death while the decedent was confined in a temporary holding facility designed to hold detainees for no longer than 72 hours (e.g., booking centers, holding areas, staging locations)
- Any death that occurred during an interaction with federal law enforcement personnel during **response to medical or mental health assistance** (e.g., response to suicidal persons).

(2) **Detention/ incarceration** deaths are those that occur while the decedent was detained or incarcerated for violation of federal criminal or administrative law and housed in any facility designed to detain or incarcerate such individuals for longer than 72 hours. Include all detainee/ inmate deaths that occur in any federal corrections facility, federal pretrial facility, federal facility used for the administrative detention of any person or persons, or any other facility pursuant to a contract to criminally hold, detain, imprison, or administratively hold or detain by a federal law enforcement agency.

If you have any questions about this form or the DCRA Federal Agency survey, please contact:

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Form CJ-13 DCRA Annual Summary

Please identify any arrest-related, detention, or incarceration deaths that occurred in your jurisdiction from October 1, 2015, through September 30, 2016. Include the decedent name, date of death and time of death; and then proceed to Form CJ-13A, *Arrest-Related Death Incident Report*, or CJ-13B, *Detention or Incarceration Death Incident Report*, to complete additional information about the decedent and the circumstances surrounding the death.

Federal Agency Name	Agency ORI
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A. Did any **arrest-related deaths** occur in your jurisdiction from October 1, 2015, through September 30, 2016?

Yes [*list below*]
 No
 My organization does not employ any full-time officers with federal arrest authority

	Decedent Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Date of Death	Time of Death
A-1			
A-2			
A-3			
A-4			
A-5			
A-6			

B. Did any **detention or incarceration deaths** occur in facilities operated by your agency from October 1, 2015, through September 30, 2016?

Yes [*list below*]
 No
 My organization does not have the authority to detain or incarcerate individuals for violations of criminal or administrative law.

	Decedent Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Date of Death	Time of Death
B-1			
B-2			
B-3			
B-4			
B-5			
B-6			