

# The Nation's Two Crime Measures

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## Agenda

- Introductions and Presentation Overview
- A primer on NIBRS data
- Introduction to the NCVS
- Knowledge test on NCVS and NIBRS
- Takeaways
- Questions

### **Presentation Overview**

- What are NIBRS and the NCVS and how do they complement each other?
- Why are we here? Why is this important?
  - Both data collections offer wide breadth of indicators, freely available to public,
  - Each important in own right; by design the two collections complement each other to provide a more comprehensive picture of crime (dark figure).
  - The differences between the NCVS and NIBRS, if not well-understood, can lead to misconceptions or confusion among public. BJS focused on outreach and resources for data users.
  - Crime statistics can diverge, and it's key to understand whether those differences are due to methodological differences vs other exogenous factors that may influence crime and policing.



#### Two sources for national estimates of crime

#### The National Crime Victimization Survey and National Incident-Based Reporting System: A complementary picture of crime in 2022

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he National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Statistics, and the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), managed by the FBI, each measure a set of criminal offenses that are similar but not identical. which leads to differences in estimates between the two data sources. To obtain victimization data, the NCVS interviews persons age 12 or older about crimes they experienced, both reported and not reported to police. NIBRS collects data on crime recorded by law

provide a comprehensive States,1

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This report describes simi the two data collections a statistical estimates. Restr reported to police, and exc

1 See Criminal Victimization, for additional NCVS estimates

enforcement agencies. Taken together, these two measures for additional NIBRS estimate Rate of crime per 1,000 reported to police in the National Incident-Based Report

#### the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), 2021 and 2022

Type of crime	2021 NIBRSa	2022 NIBRS*	2
Violent crime excluding simple assault	4.00	3.98	
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	0.07	0.06	
Rape/sexual assault <sup>b</sup>	0.46 †	0.42	
Robbery	0.61	0.65	
Aggravated assault	2.85	2.85	
	Rate per 1,000 persons		
	2021 NIBRS <sup>a</sup>	2022 NIBRSa+	2
Property crime	19.44	20.65	
Burglary <sup>c</sup>	2.73	2.75	
Motor vehicle theft	2.73	2.96	

Note: National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime rates are normally reported per 100,000 persons but with the reporting of National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) crime rates per 1,000 persons. NIBRS violent and 1,000 persons. NCVS violent crime rates are calculated per 1,000 persons, and NCVS property crime rates are calcu Crime Data Explorer to review the confidence intervals associated with each of the NIBRS crime estimates. See G September 2023) for NCVS standard errors.

~Not applicable. \*Comparison year.

†Difference with comparison year is significant at the 95% confidence level.

#Difference with comparison year is significant at the 90% confidence level.

Includes crimes against persons age 11 or younger, persons who are homeless, persons who are institutionalized establishments. These populations are included in NIBRS, but out of sample for the NCVS.

bSee the Glossary on the FBI's Crime Data Explorer for the Uniform Crime Reporting Program's definition of rape. (NCJ 307089, BJS, September 2023) for details on the measurement of rape or sexual assault in the NCVS. SNIBRS defines burglary as forcible entry, unlawful entry where no force is used, or attempted forcible entry of a st The NCVS defines burglary as the unlawful or forcible entry or attempted entry of places, including a permanent room or vacation residence), or other structure (e.g., a garage or shed) where there was a completed or attempte Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Crime Victimization Survey, 2021 and 2022; and Federal Bureau of Inv Reporting System, 2021 and 2022

#### Rate of crime per 1,000 reported to police in the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) and in the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), 2021 and 2022

Type of crime	Rate per 1,000 persons			
	2021 NIBRSa	2022 NIBRSa*	2021 NCVS	2022 NCVS*
Violent crime excluding simple assault	4.00	3.98	2.91 †	4.70
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	0.07	0.06	~	~
Rape/sexual assault <sup>b</sup>	0.46 †	0.42	0.25 ‡	0.40
Robbery	0.61	0.65	1.00 +	1.58
Aggravated assault	2.85	2.85	1.66 †	2.72

	Rate per 1,000 persons		Rate per 1,000 households	
	2021 NIBRSa	2022 NIBRS <sup>a</sup> *	2021 NCVS	2022 NCVS*
Property crime	19.44	20.65	27.82 †	32,44
Burglary <sup>c</sup>	2.73	2.75	3,66	4.53
Motor vehicle theft	2.73	2.96	3.32 †	4.42

Note: National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime rates are normally reported per 100.000 persons but were recalculated for this report to align with the reporting of National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) crime rates per 1,000 persons. NIBRS violent and property crime rates are calculated per 1,000 persons. NCVS violent crime rates are calculated per 1,000 persons, and NCVS property crime rates are calculated per 1,000 households. See the FBI's Crime Data Explorer to review the confidence intervals associated with each of the NIBRS crime estimates. See *Criminal Victimization*, 2022 (NCJ 307089, BJS, September 2023) for NCVS standard errors.

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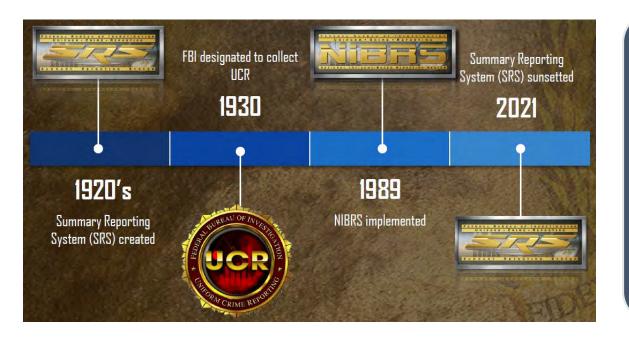
- What will attendees get out of this webinar?
  - Key features of each data collection, including methodology, measurement of crime, and the scope of information available.

- Learn how to access, view, and analyze data from NIBRS and the NCVS.
- Learn how to apply NCVS and NIBRS data to answer real-world questions about crime at the local, state, regional and national levels.
- Access a suite of BJS and DOJ resources to assist users in understanding and using data from NIBRS and the NCVS.



# The View from Law Enforcement Data:

A Primer on the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

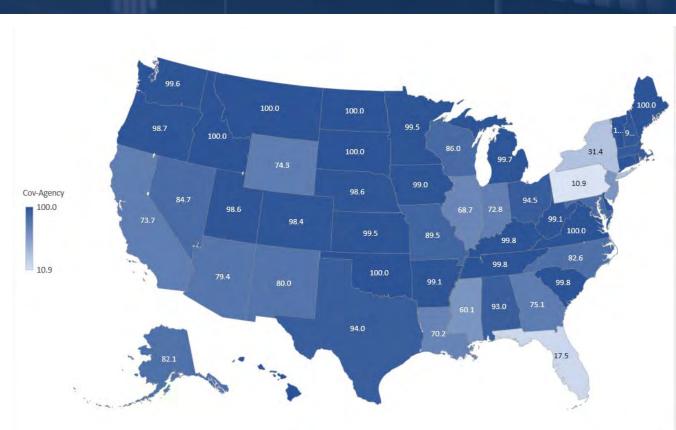


### Why transition the nation now?

- SRS counts 10 broad crime categories
- Employs hierarchy rule.
- No specificity in circumstances, persons involved, police outcomes.
- Meaningful indicators of what "drives" crime
  - o Theft of what?
  - o Armed?
  - o Multiple victims?
  - Where and when does victimization peak?

## Agencies reporting in 2023

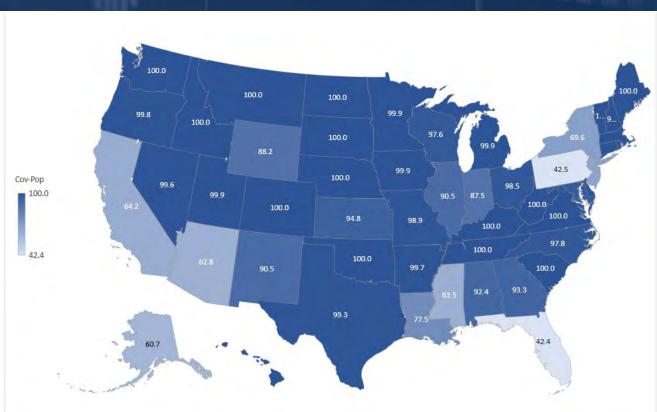
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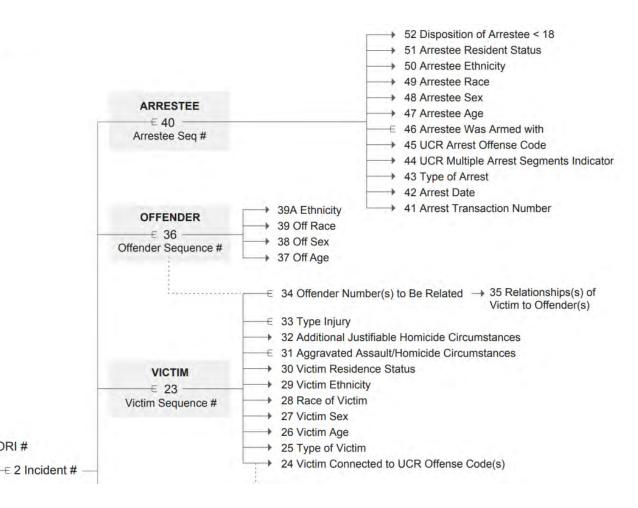
## US Population covered in 2023

84%



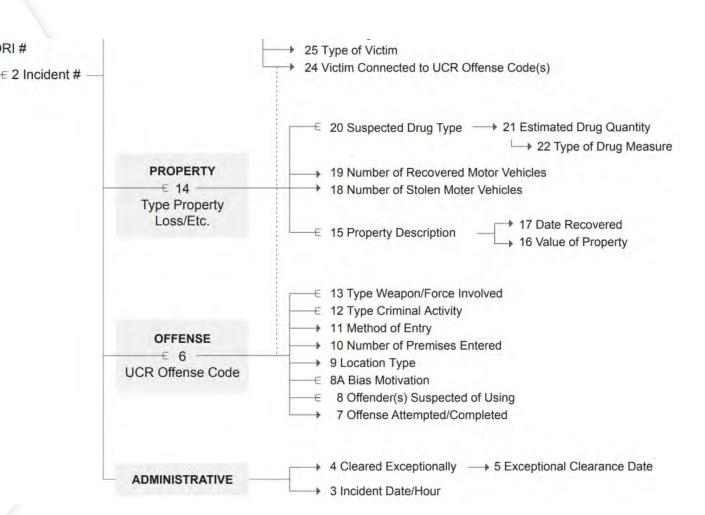
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## Crimes captured in NIBRS

 Police administrative records detailing all recorded criminal incidents, clearance, and arrest outcomes for 'Group A' crimes.

- 71 Group A offenses: Information on criminal incidents includes victim, perpetrator and arrestee age/race/sex; incident characteristics such as time of day, location type, weapons present, victim injury, and the city, county and state in which the incident occurred.
- 10 Group B offenses = arrest information only; no incident data.
  - DUI, liquor law violations, vagrancy/loitering/curfew violations.

## Crimes Against Persons

- Murder/non-negligent manslaughter
- Negligent manslaughter
- Rape
- Aggravated assault
- Robbery
- Kidnapping/abduction

- Simple assault
- Intimidation (includes stalking)
- Kidnapping/abduction
- Human sex trafficking
- Human labor trafficking
- Fondling
- Statutory rape and incest

## Crimes Against Property

- Arson
- Bribery
- Burglary
- Counterfeiting/forgery
- Destruction, damage, and vandalism (except Arson)
- Embezzlement

- Extortion/blackmail
- Fraud offenses (8 types)
  - Includes identity theft, computer hacking/invasion offenses.
- Larceny/theft offenses (8 types)
- Motor vehicle theft
- Robbery
- Stolen property offenses

## Crimes Against Society

- Animal cruelty
- Drug/narcotic possession
- Drug/narcotic sale, distribution
- Gambling offenses
- Prostitution offenses
- Pornography/obscene material
- Weapon law violations

#### Additional indicators

#### **Characteristics of Individuals**

- Victim type
- Victim/offender age, sex, race, ethnicity
- Juvenile disposition
- Multiple arrest indicator
- Arrestee armed (yes/no)
- Victim-offender relationship

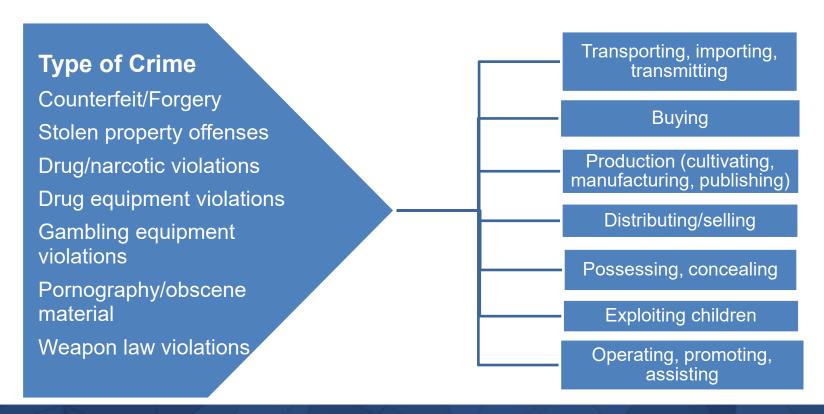
#### **Characteristics of Incidents/Offenses**

- Multiple offenders, victims, offenses
- Population group (cities, Exceptional clearance counties by population size)
- Agency indicator
- Property loss type
- Method of entry (forced)
- Bias motivation type
- Location type
- Time of day
- Weapon involved
- Injury to victim

- Cleared through arrest, arrest type
- Gang involvement
- Officer assault type
- Offender suspected of using (alcohol, drugs, computer equipment/cell phone)
- Cargo-related offense flag\*
- Type of criminal activity (sales, manufacture, child exploitation)\*



### Additional criminal activity information captured in NIBRS



## Planned Updates to NIBRS

## **Enhanced understanding** of firearm-related crime

- Addition of firearm discharge indicator
- Addition of stolen firearm
- Addition of gunshot wound as an injury
- Collection of injuries on homicide victims

## Updated information on drug crime

- Updated drug types
- Updated policies for drug measurement conversion



## How are NIBRS data collected?

## How are these data collected by DOJ?

- Total number of UCR-enrolled agencies in US (2023) = ~19,000
- Agencies participating in NIBRS (2023) = 15,071 (78.6%)
- NIBRS data are sourced from diverse array of agencies
  - Municipal, county, and state police, county sheriff's offices
  - University/campus police departments
  - Tribal law enforcement agencies
  - Federal law enforcement agencies, DOD
- How do detailed crime data flow from local law enforcement to DOJ?

## Recording crime incident data

Incident-based reporting (IBR) is not new. NIBRS reflects the IBR structure of law enforcement records.

Collecting and submitting detailed *standardized* incident-based crime data represents a monumental shift in what agencies provide to the federal government.



### Reported crime incident

Source of incident-information – community or officer?

Incident founded?
Report taken?

## Data recorded in LE system

Initial incident information

Follow-up investigation findings

### TBD at time of incident

Arrest and clearance information

Other changes – add'l offenses, injury status, weapon information, drug type/quantity

### The NIBRS data pipeline

Local Law Enforcement – state police, sheriff departments, municipal and county agencies, tribal agencies, campus/university police.

State Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program

FBI UCR Program

### Errors versus Warnings

#### **Errors**

- Precludes the submission of an incident record due to a NIBRS data coding problem
- Examples
  - Missing a required data element (e.g., relationship for person crimes)
  - Two offenses are submitted for the same victim that are considered lesser-and-included (e.g., murder and aggravated assault)
  - Coding of rape still hinges on victim/offender demographics

#### Warnings

- Flags the incident record for various reasons, due to a NIBRS data coding issue
- Examples
  - Optional data elements are blank (e.g., ethnicity of victim or arrestee)
  - Property values are outside established bounds (GT \$1M, etc.)
  - Large percentage of incidents occur at the "0" hour

### What are the challenges related to NIBRS warnings?

- Who sees the warnings and how they're resolved?
- What impact do the warnings have on crime data?
  - Property value loss may be incorrect for the jurisdiction impacts commercial investment, real estate values, etc.
  - "Unknown" relationship masks the nature of violence most violence is perpetrated by known offenders, not strangers.
- Bigger issue? Errors/warnings not flagged in an IBR system.
  - Key distinction between HH survey and administrative data collections.
  - FBI's Quality Assurance program



## How does BJS use NIBRS?

### Statistical vs Operational Purposes

#### **Statistical Collection**

- Emphasis on quality and completeness
- Wide range of indicators and data elements
- Often difficult to release "quickly"
- Changes are complex, time-consuming
- Emphasis on standardization
- BJS uses NIBRS for
  - Statistical reports, develop national estimates
  - Formula grant award calculations
  - Develop the NIBRS Extract files for research
  - To map the jurisdictional boundaries of state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies.

#### Surveillance

- Increased periodicity, flexibility
- Concise set of top-line measures

 Based on a subset/sample of the population (typically)

#### **Operational Uses of NIBRS**

- Enhanced understanding of rare events officer shootings, kidnapping-homicides, serial offenders.
- Building 'profiles' of select crimes, victims.
- Example from the US Marshalls Service: serial rapist targeting elderly victims.

### How NIBRS enhances our understanding of victimization



<u>Community and geography:</u> Does the nature of victimization, and victim characteristics, vary across communities and states? Concentration of crime in relatively few places is masked by national data.

<u>Linking Census and public health data</u> to LE jurisdictions can provide crucial insights into trends.



Equity and patterns in justice system outputs: Patterns in police clearance and arrest for specific incidents. How do these clearance/arrest patterns vary by offense, victim and offender characteristics, and specific jurisdictions?



Variety in offense and victim types: A wider array of victimization types/offenses captured in NIBRS data, including mass shootings, kidnapping, and human trafficking.

Non-person victims of crimes include financial institutions, governments, places of worship, and commercial establishments.



## Strengths of NIBRS

- Breadth and scope of crimes captured allow for greater specificity in crime statistics, particularly for property crimes such as theft and fraud.
- Contextual information available for some crimes, including if the offender was armed or intoxicated, if the crime involved child exploitation, .
- Captures crimes against young children (<12yo)</li>
- Multiple **victim types** recorded, including persons, businesses, banks, and government entities.
- Captures presence of multiple victims, offenders, and crime types in a single incident.
- Clearance and arrest tracked for each incident.

## Limits of NIBRS

- Police data not a complete picture of crime.
  - · Unfounded and unreported crimes not captured.
  - · Some crimes less likely to be reported by police.
- No indicators of gun discharge; gunshot wound- yet.
- Adding new crimes, data elements to NIBRS can require years to approve and implement.
  - No supplements, surveillance system components.
- Limited demographics, person characteristics:
  - Ethnicity
  - Suspected of using offenders
  - Resident status\*\*
- Not yet nationally representative as of 2023.



## Findings Based on NIBRS Data

### NIBRS data are available in different formats

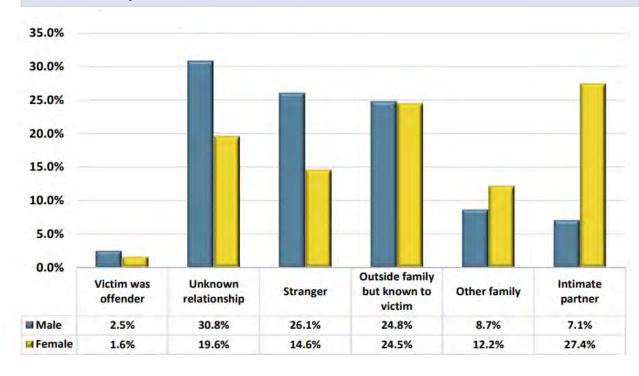
- National Estimates Program
  - Designed to produce national level estimates.
  - Weighting and imputation procedures used to account for agency/item non-response.
- <u>LEARCAT</u> provides access to 'as reported' data
  - Designed to show reported subnational crime statistics.
  - No weighting, no imputation applied to the data.
- NIBRS extracts
  - Concatenated analysis files for researchers.
  - Uses 'as reported' data. No weighting, no imputation procedures applied to the data.



#### **2022 National Estimates of Crime**

- About 28% of all violent victimizations of women were committed by an intimate partner, compared to 7.1% for males.
- Violence committed by strangers (26%) and otherwise unknown offenders (30%) accounted for more than half of violence against males.

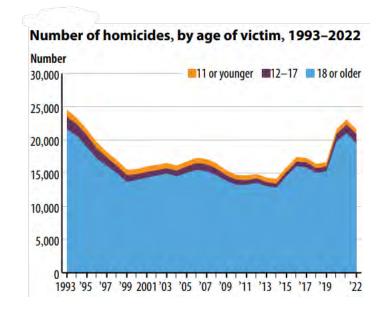
Percent of violent victimization in the US, by victim sex and relationship to offender, NIBRS, 2022

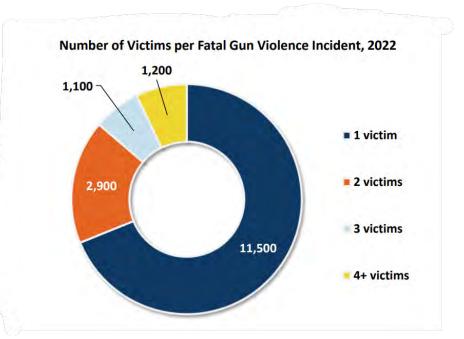


Source: FBI, CIUS, 2022. URL: CDE (cjis.gov).



### Homicide victimization in the US, 2022





Source: Federal Bureau of Investigation, Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, UCR Supplementary Homicide Reports Program, 1993–2020, and UCR National Incident-Based Reporting System Estimation Program, 2021 and 2022.

Report URL: Crimes Involving Juveniles, 1993-2022 (ojp.gov)

Source: FBI, CIUS, 2022



### **BJS NIBRS Data Tool: LEARCAT**



Incidents: Crime View

by offense type.

more information

The Crime View visualizes the offense(s) committed during each crime incident, based.

on data reported by law enforcement agencies

to the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting.

System (NIBRS), Use Crime View to generate

the number, percentage, and rate of incidents

The data in LEARCAT are not nationally

representative and law enforcement agency participation varies by state. The map displays the percentage of each state's population

get started, select an area on the map to view

data for states, counties, and metropolitan

interactive charts for additional data views. Select Large Agencies to view crime data reported by bolice departments in cities with

populations of 250,000 or more residents.

Use discretion when examining data from large

agencies, as some of those agencies may have submitted less than 12 months of data in a given data year. See LEARCAT Methodology for

areas. Use the filter bar or click on the

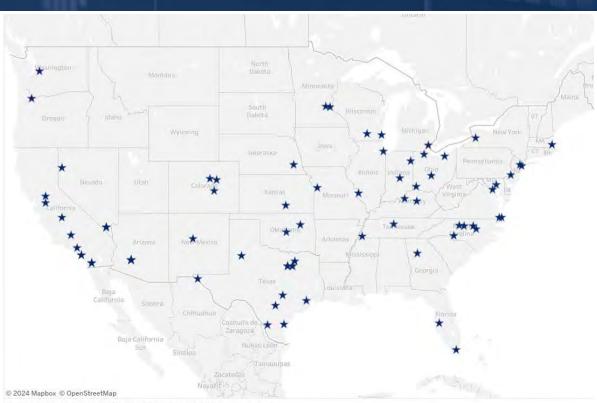


Rate



- In 2022, property
   offenses accounted for
   55% of all crimes
   recorded by Texas
   police.
- Police recorded 88,431
   violent crime incidents
   that accounted for
   105,484 victimizations a rate of 1,141 violent
   victimizations per
   100,000 persons.

View data for large police depts.



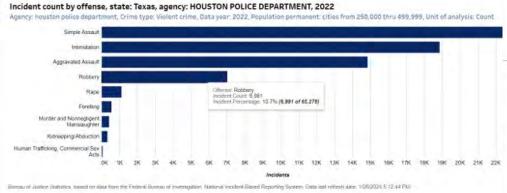
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Bureau of Justice Statistics, based on data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Incident-Based Reporting System. Data last refresh date: 1/26/2024 5:12:44 PM



#### Robbery Incidents, Houston, TX (2022)





#### Incident count by victim type, state: Texas, agency: HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT, 2022

Agency: houston police department, Data year: 2022, Offense: Robbery. Population permanent: cities from 250,000 thru 499,999, Unit of analysis: Count



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65,278 Incidents
77,202 Victimizations
(matching current filters)

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#### Construct crosstabulation tables

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Kidnapping victimization,

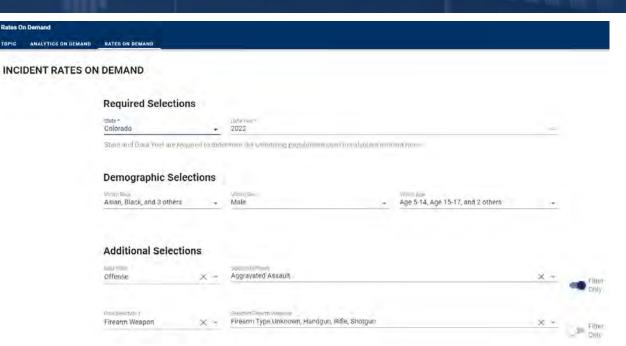
by victim age and relationship to offender, 2022

#### Kidnapping/Abduction

				Friend or Acquaintance Relationship	Intimate Partner	Other Family	Stranger
State Victim Age	Victim Age	Arkansas	Age 1-4	5.0	0.0	6.0	0.0
			Age 5-14	10.0	1.0	14.0	4.0
			Age 15-17	1.0	3.0	2.0	2.0
			Age 18-24	25.0	81.0	2.0	3.0
			Age 25-34	16.0	107.0	2.0	7.0
			Age 35-64	32.0	90.0	12.0	5.0
			Age 65 and Older	0.0	2.0	5.0	0.0
		Colorado	Age 1-4	8.0	0.0	44.0	13.0
			Age 5-14	30.0	3.0	52.0	42.0
			Age 15-17	19 0	27.0	5.0	13.0
			Age 18-24	60.0	384.0	11.0	29.0
			Age 25-34	63.0	565.0	9,0	38.0
			Age 35-64	81.0	462.0	32.0	43.0
			Age 65 and Older	4.0	10,0	21.0	3.0
		Connecticut	Age 1-4	0,0	0.0	8.0	1.0
			Age 5-14	3.0	0.0	6.0	1.0
			Age 15-17	1.0	2.0	6.0	1.0
			Age 18-24	5.0	69.0	6.0	11.0
			Age 25-34	10.0	82.0	6.0	7.0
			Age 35-64	10.0	63.0	7.0	5.0
			Age 65 and Older	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0
		Delaware	Age 1-4	4.0	0.0	4.0	3.0
			Age 5-14	5.0	0.0	7.0	2.0
			Age 15-17	3.0	0.0	4.0	2.0
			Age 18-24	8.0	25.0	0.0	7.0

Rates On Demand

Calculate incidentbased crime rates





#### Rates of firearm-involved violence by victim demographics

#### User tips -

- Download csv files with customized counts and rates.
- Develop and download tables in pdf.
- Rates only available for states with sufficient NIBRS population coverage.



Null/unknown values for victim: race, sex, and age are excluded to calculate a rate for those demographics. Please use the analytics on demand tool to see the relative impact of null/missing values for those fields.

Total Incident Counts: 8,142



## Statistics on very young victims



- 12% of all violent victimizations involved a sexual assault; the percentage was higher for female (10%) than for sale (2%) victims of violence.
- The average age of sexual assault victims was
   15 years for males and
   21 years for females.
- assault victimizations per 100,000 persons; the rate was 4 times higher for juveniles (195.6) than for adults (45.6).
- 88% of sexual assault victimizations were committed by someone the victim knew.

- victimizations involved a sexual assault: the percentage was higher for female (21%) than for male (4%) victims of violence.
- The average age of sexual assault victims was
   14 years for males and
   19 years for females.
- there were 125.1 sexual assault victimizations per 100,000 persons; the rate was 7 times higher for inveniles (371.7) than for adults (56.8).
- 94% of sexual assault victimizations were committed by someone the victim knew.

Source: BJS analysis of the FBI's NIBRS, 2019

URL: Sexual Assaults Recorded by Law Enforcement, 2019 | Bureau of Justice Statistics (ojp.gov)

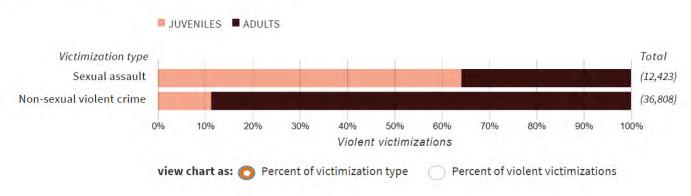


### Sexual assault victims, by age

#### Violent victimizations that involved a sexual assault, by victim age, Michigan, 2019

Hover over bars for more detail.

Hover over a category in legend to isolate that category.



Note: Excludes 1,183 violent victimizations for which victim age is unknown. See Methodology for description of sexual assault victimizations, non-sexual violent crime victimizations, and juvenile and adult age categories.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, based on data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Incident-Based Reporting System, 2019.

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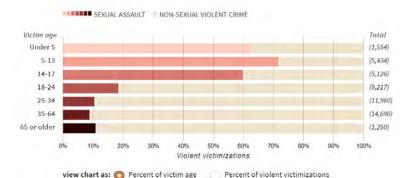
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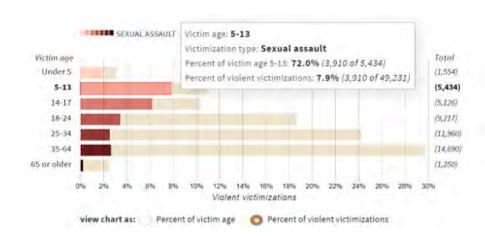
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Sexual assaults against victims ages 5 to 13 made up about 8% of all violent victimization recorded by Michigan law enforcement.



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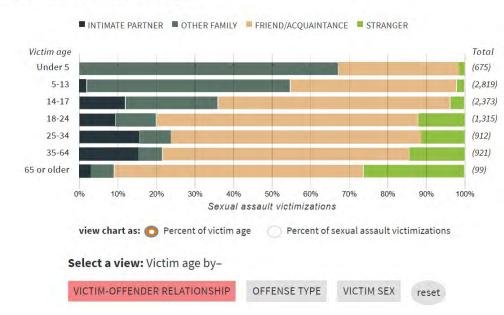


- Most rape and sexual assaults are committed by someone the victim knows.
- Sexual assaults of young children were most frequently committed by a relative.
- Most sexual assaults against victims aged 14 or older were committed by a friend or acquaintance.

#### Sexual assault victimizations, by victim age and victim-offender relationship, Michigan, 2019

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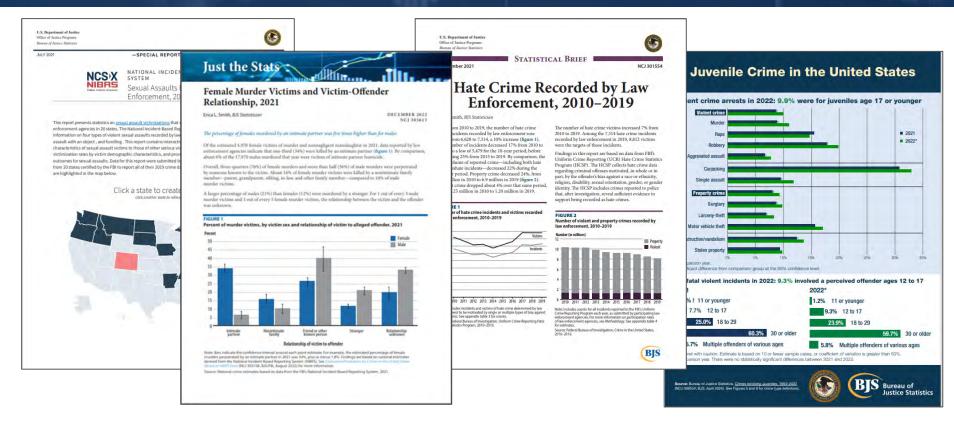
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## Analyses using NIBRS data

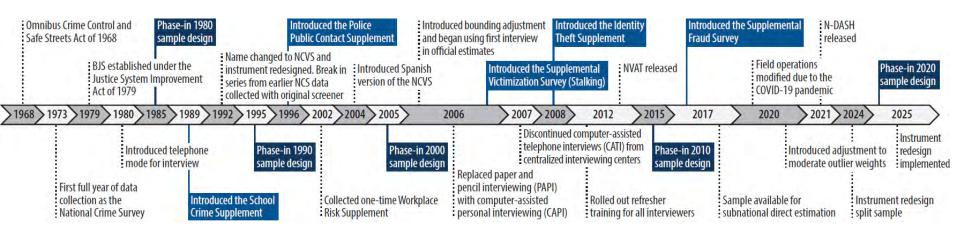


For a full list of NIBRS publications, visit the BJS publications library: https://bjs.ojp.gov/library.



# Introduction to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS)

#### The NCVS timeline



#### What is the National Crime Victimization Survey?

- Nation's primary source of information on criminal victimization
- Currently sponsored and directed by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)
- Started in 1972 as the National Crime Survey
- Redesigned and renamed National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) in 1992
- Developed to complement the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program
- Crimes reported and not reported to the police

#### How are the data collected?

- Administered by the U.S. Census Bureau
- National sample of persons age 12 or older living in U.S. households
- Panel design seven interviews over a course of 3.5 years (every 6 months)
- Self-report survey persons asked about criminal victimizations experienced during the prior 6 months
- Incident based collects information about each victimization incident

#### Violent crime

- Rape/sexual assault
- Robbery
- Aggravated assault
- Simple assault

#### **Personal larceny**

- Purse snatching
- Pocket picking

#### **Property crime**

- Burglary/trespassing
- Motor vehicle theft
- Other types of household theft

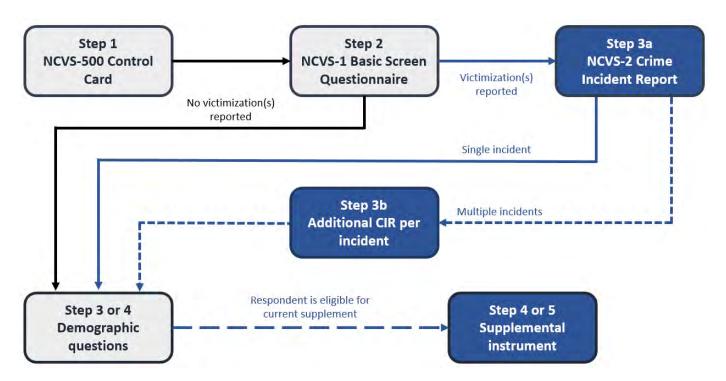
Characteristics of victims and crimes for the population and for subgroups

Source of national data on topics including *intimate partner violence, crimes* against persons with disabilities, injury, firearms and crime, cost of crime, and reporting to police

## NCVS supplements

- Short topical surveys administered at the end of the NCVS interview to eligible respondents
- In recent years, BJS administered 5 different supplements on a rotating basis:
  - Identity Theft Supplement (ITS)
  - Police-Public Contact Survey (PPCS)
  - School Crime Supplement (SCS)
  - Supplemental Fraud Survey (SFS)
  - Supplemental Victimization Survey (SVS) stalking

#### Flow of the NCVS instrument

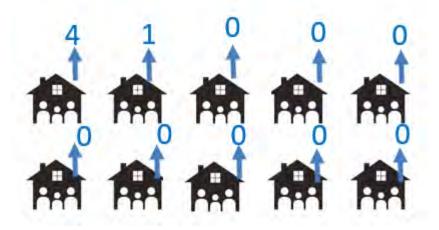




## Unit of analysis

Household estimates: based on counting households affected by the crime

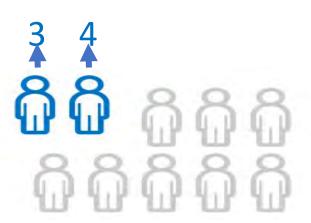
→ 5 property crimes among these 10 households



## Unit of analysis

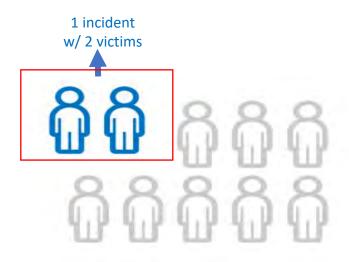
<u>Victimization estimates:</u> based on counting *victimizations* 

→ 7 victimizations among these 10 people



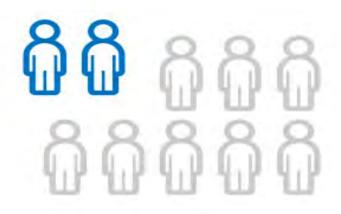
## <u>Incident estimates:</u> based on counting *incidents*

→ 1 incident among these 10 people





## Unit of analysis



Prevalence estimates: based on counting *victims* 

→ 2 victims among these 10 people

## Calculating victimization rates with NCVS data

- Victimization estimates are often presented as rates
  - Rate per 1,000 persons during a specific time (T)
- Violent victimization rate<sub>T</sub> =  $\frac{\text{Number of victimizations }_{T}}{\text{Number of$ **persons** $12 or older}_{T}} *1,000$
- Property victimization rate<sub>T</sub> =  $\frac{\text{Number of victimizations }_{T}}{\text{Number of households }_{T}} *1,000$

### Calculating victimization rates with NCVS data:

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- Number of violent victimizations (age 12 or older): 6,624,953
- U.S. population (age 12 or older): 282,304,639

Violent victimization rate<sub>2022</sub> = 
$$\frac{6,624,953}{282,304,639} \times 1000 = 23.5$$

• In 2022, there were **23.5** violent victimizations per 1,000 people age 12 or older in the U.S.

Analysis using NCVS data



For a full list of NCVS publications, visit the NCVS data collection page.

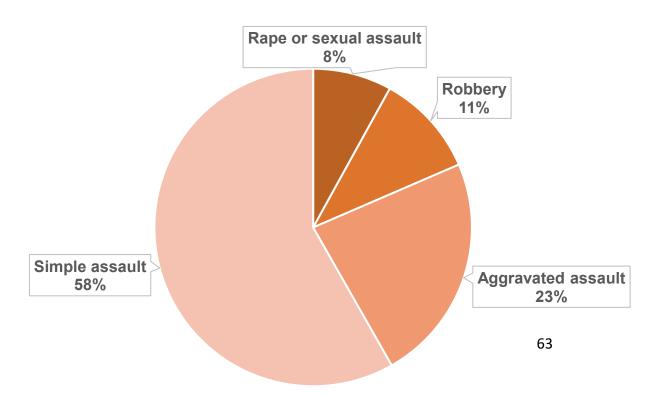


# Recent NCVS Findings from Criminal Victimization, 2022

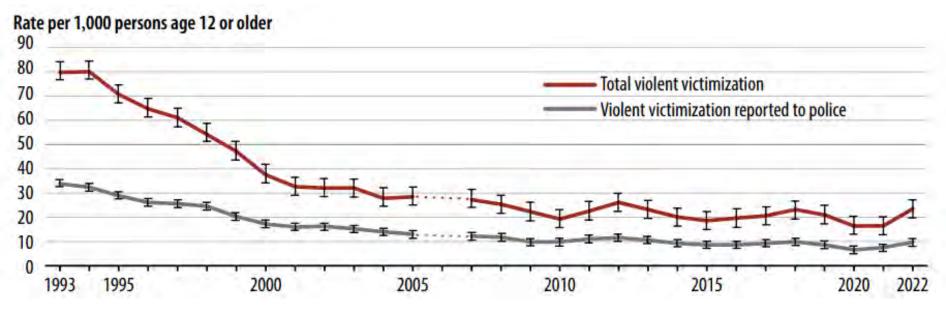


#### Distribution of violent victimization in 2022

 In 2022, the majority of violent victimizations (58%) were simple assaults



The rate of violent victimization **declined** 71% from 1993 (79.8 per 1,000) to 2022 (23.5)



Note: Estimates for 2006 should not be compared to other years.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Crime Victimization Survey, 1993–2022.

#### In 2022 —





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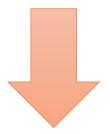


#### Across the 5-year period from 2018 to 2022 —



The rate of aggravated assault was **higher** in 2022 than 2018

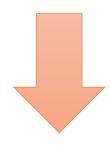
Violent crime involving a weapon was **higher** in 2022 than 2018



The rate of rape or sexual assault was **lower** in 2022 than 2018



#### Across the 5-year period from 2018 to 2022 —



Overall rate property crime was **lower** in 2022 than 2018

Burglary or trespassing was **lower** in 2022 than 2018



The rate of motor vehicle theft was **higher** in 2022 than 2018



## From 2021 to 2022, rates of violent victimization increased for —

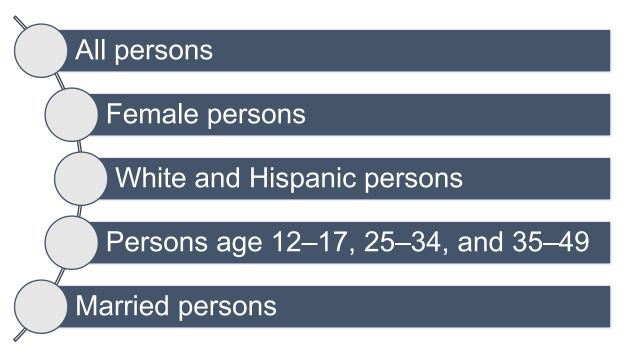
Both male and female persons White and Hispanic persons All age groups, except persons ages 50-64 All marital statuses, except widowed persons All income groups

### From 2021 to 2022, the rates of —



- Overall property crime increased
- Motor vehicle theft increased
- Other household theft increased

From 2021 to 2022, rates of violent victimization reported to police **increased** for —



## About 10% of violent victimization involved a firearm in 2022, up from 2021

	2021	2022*
Total violent victimizations	4,598,310 †	6,624,950
Firearm victimizations		
Number	326,890 †	640,710
Percent	7.1% †	9.7%
Ratea	1.2 †	2.3
Firearm victimizations reported to police		
Number	237,980 †	389,590
Percent	72.8%	60.8%

In 2022, about
 61% of firearm
 victimizations were
 reported to police

<sup>\*</sup>Comparison year.

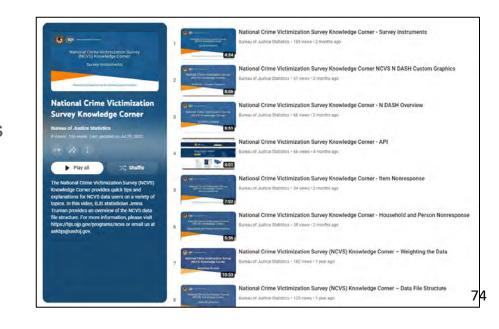
<sup>†</sup>Significant difference from comparison year at the 95% confidence level. Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Crime Victimization Survey, 2021 and 2022.

## Other topics in Criminal Victimization, 2022

- Share of violent victimizations for which victims received assistance from a victim service provider
- Victimization rates by
  - Veteran status
  - Citizenship status
  - Urbanicity (urban, suburban, and rural)
- Prevalence estimates

#### Want to learn more about the NCVS?

- Check out our new Knowledge Corner series
  - The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) Knowledge Corner provides quick tips and explanations for NCVS data users on a variety of topics
  - Knowledge Corner playlist
- Check out the website!
  - https://bjs.ojp.gov/datacollection/ncvs



# Both collections cover an overlapping, but not identical set of crimes and characteristics



NCVS	Both	NIBRS
Crimes not reported to law enforcement	Crime types: rape/sexual assault*, robbery, assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, purse-snatching, pocket-picking	Crime types: Homicide/nonnegligent manslaughter, human trafficking, kidnapping
Based on a nationally representative sample	Incident characteristics: Crimes reported to police, victim-offender relationship, weapon involvement, victim injury, location of crime	Based on counts of crimes reported by law enforcement agencies**
Additional demographic characteristics: Sexual orientation/gender identity, disability status, citizenship, veteran status	Victim demographics: race/ Hispanic origin***, sex, ages 12 or older	Crimes against – persons 11 or younger, persons who are institutionalized, persons on military bases, commercial establishments, and society
Consequences of crime: Socio-emotional and financial consequences for victims	Indicator of whether incident/victimization resulted in arrest	Clearance and arrest outcomes for criminal incidents
Use of victim services	Statistics at subnational levels	Arrestees: demographic and weapons possession

<sup>\*</sup>The NCVS's and NIBRS's definitions of rape/sexual assault differ slightly. See the Glossary on the FBI's Crime Data Explorer for the Uniform Crime Reporting Program's definition of rape. See *Criminal Victimization*, 2022 (NCJ 307089, BJS, September 2023) for details on the measurement of rape or sexual assault in the NCVS.

\*\*Estimates are weighted to compensate for incomplete reporting.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>For NIBRS, not all law enforcement agencies are required to report Hispanic origin, which can result in a higher degree of missing data compared to other variables.



## Rate of crime per 1,000 reported to police in the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) and in the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), 2021 and 2022

Rate per 1,000 persons

	That e per 1,000 persons									
Type of crime	2021 NIBRSa	2022 NIBRSa*	2021 NCVS	2022 NCVS*						
Violent crime excluding simple assault	4.00	3.98	2.91 †	4.70						
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	0.07	0.06	₩.	~						
Rape/sexual assault <sup>b</sup>	0.46 †	0.42	0.25 ‡	0.40						
Robbery	0.61	0.65	1.00 †	1.58						
Aggravated assault	2,85	2.85	1.66 †	2.72						
	Rate per 1,000	persons	Rate per 1,000 households							
	2021 NIBRSa	2022 NIBRSa*	2021 NCVS	2022 NCVS*						
Property crime	19.44	20.65	27.82 †	32.44						
Burglary <sup>c</sup>	2.73	2.75	3.66	4.53						
Motor vehicle theft	2.73	2.96	3,32 t	4.42						

See <u>The National Crime Victimization Survey and the National Incident-Based Reporting System: A complementary picture of crime in 2022</u> (NCJ 307589, BJS, December 2023) for more information and table notes.



# Which data collection can I use for my question on crime?

# NCVS

See <u>Criminal Victimization</u> annual bulletin series for more information on reporting to police.

TABLE 4
Percent of victimizations reported to police, by type of crime, 2021 and 2022

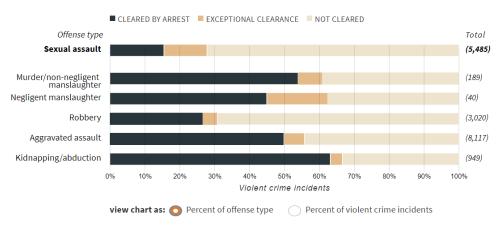
Type of crime	2021	2022*
Total violent crime <sup>a</sup>	45.6%	41.5%
Rape/sexual assault <sup>b</sup>	21.5	21.4
Robbery	60.0	64.0
Assault	46.0 ‡	40.6
Aggravated assault	60.5 †	49.9
Simple assault	42.3	36.8
Violent crime excluding simple assault <sup>c</sup>	52.2%	48.0%
Selected characteristics of violent crime <sup>d</sup>		
Domestic violence <sup>e</sup>	48.9%	53.8%
Intimate partner violencef	50.7	51,5
Stranger violence	48.4 †	36.0
Violent crime with an injury	55.9	48.8
Violent crime with a weapon	60.5 ‡	51.7
Total property crime	30.8%	31.8%
Burglary/trespassing <sup>9</sup>	40.7	43.8
Burglaryh	41.5	44.9
Trespassing <sup>i</sup>	39.4	41.2
Motor vehicle theft	76.9	80.9
Other theft <sup>j</sup>	26.1	26.4



#### NIBRS

#### Police clearance of crime information for incidents

Violent crime incidents cleared by arrest, exceptional means, and not cleared, Colorado, 2019



Note: See *Methodology* for descriptions of <u>cleared</u>, <u>cleared</u> <u>by arrest</u>, <u>and exceptional clearance</u>.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, based on data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Incident-Based Reporting System, 2019.

The clearance rate was lower for sexual assault compared to other violent crimes in Colorado.

- 72% of sexual assault incidents not cleared.
- 15.5% cleared by arrest.
- 12.5% cleared by exceptional means\*

Source: BJS analysis of the FBI's NIBRS, 2019

URL: Sexual Assaults Recorded by Law Enforcement, 2019 | Bureau of Justice Statistics (ojp.gov)





#### School Crime Supplement to the NCVS

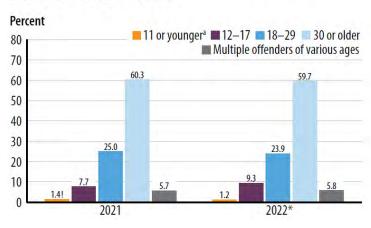
Table 2.5. Type of bullying by student characteristics: Among all students, percentage who experienced various types of bullying, by selected student characteristics: School year 2021–22

Student characteristics	Bullied in any way	Made fun of, called names, or insulted	Spread rumors	Shared private information, photos, or videos	Threatened with harm	Pushed, shoved, tripped, or spit on	Tried to make do things they did not want to do	Excluded from activities, social media, or commu- nications	Property destroyed on purpose
Total	19.2	11.9	13.0	2.5	3.3	4.9	2.5	3.7	1.4
Sex									
Male	16.7	10.5	9.7	1.8	3.7	6.0	2.6	2.6	2.0
Female	21.8	13.4	16.6	3.2	2.9	3.7	2.5	4.9	0.8

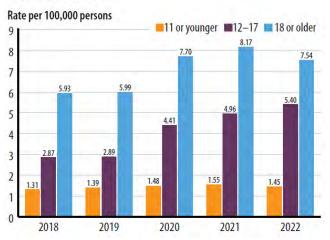
See <u>Student Reports of Bullying</u> web tables or the <u>School Crime Supplement data collection</u> page for more information.

#### Both NCVS and NIBRS

#### Percent of nonfatal violent incidents, by age of offender, 2021 and 2022



#### Homicide rate per 100,000 persons, by age of victim, 2018–2022



See <u>Crimes Involving Juveniles</u>, <u>1993–2022</u> for more information on both figures. Additional data (not pictured) on crimes and bullying at school and other characteristics of school crime, can be analyzed using the <u>School Crime Supplement</u> (SCS) to the NCVS.

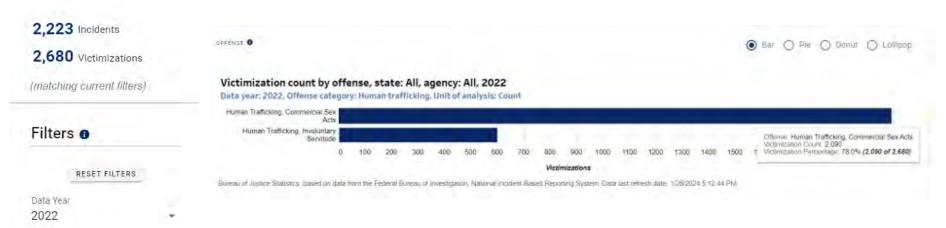




#### **NIBRS**

#### **Human Trafficking (HT) Offenses in NIBRS**

- For purposes of involuntary servitude
- For purposes of commercial sex acts







TOPIC

ANALYTICS ON DEMAND

RATES ON DEMAND

#### Victimizations, State and Offense Category by Data Year and Offense

					Data	Year						
				Offense								
				20	21	2022						
				Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude					
State	Offense	Arkansas	Human Trafficking	6.0	2.0	8.0	2.0					
	Category	Colorado	Human Trafficking	74.0	5.0	55.0	9.0					
		Connecticut	Human Trafficking	7.0	4.0	6.0	5.0					
		Idaho	Human Trafficking	6.0	1.0	32.0	4.0					
		Massachusetts	Human Trafficking	31.0	12.0	39.0	6.0					
		Michigan	Human Trafficking	36.0	7.0	41.0	8.0					
	Minnesota Human Traff	Human Trafficking	126.0	4.0	95.0	7.0						
		Missouri Human Trafficking	45.0	0.0	30.0	10.0						
	Nevada Human Trafficking	220.0	3.0	196.0	3.0							
		North Carolina	Human Trafficking	29.0	34.0	39.0	36.0					
		North Dakota	Human Trafficking	7.0	0.0	6.0	0.0					
		Tennessee Human Trafficking		118.0	2.0	82.0 5.0						
		Texas	Human Trafficking	374,0	192.0	367.0	229.0					
		Washington	Human Trafficking	56.0	7.0	55.0	4.0					

Filter Summary: Data Year (2021 & 2022), Reporting State (Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut and 11 more), Reporting County (None), MSA (None), Crime Type (Crimes Against Society, Fraud and Other Financial Crimes, Property Crime and 1 more), Offense Category ( & Human Trafficking), Offense (All), Victim Type (Business, Financial Institution, Government and 6 more), Victim Age (Null, Age 1-4, Age 15-17 and 6 more), Victim Race (Null, AlAN, Asian and 5 more), Victim Sex (Null, Female, Male and 1 more), Offender Age (Null, Age 1-4, Age 15-17 and 6 more), Offender Race (Null, AlAN, Asian and 5 more), Victim Sex (Null, Female, Male and 1 more), Relationship Status (Null, Fined or Acquaintance Relationship. Intimate Partner and 4 more)

Bureau of Justice Statistics, based on data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Incident-Based Reporting System. Data last refresh date: 1/26/2024 5:12:44 PM.



#### **NIBRS**

#### Human Trafficking (HT) Offenses in NIBRS

- Involuntary servitude (HT-IS)
- Commercial sex acts (HT-CSA)

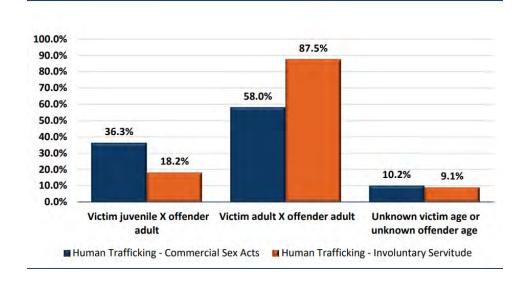
In 2022, there were an estimated –

- 2,400 victims of HT-CSA
  - 36.3% of victims of human trafficking for commercial sex acts were juveniles.

600 victims of HT-IS

• 1 21% from 2021

### Human trafficking in the U.S., by victim and offender age, 2022



Source: FBI, Crime in the United States, 2022. Access report at: CDE (cjis.gov)





## Takeaways

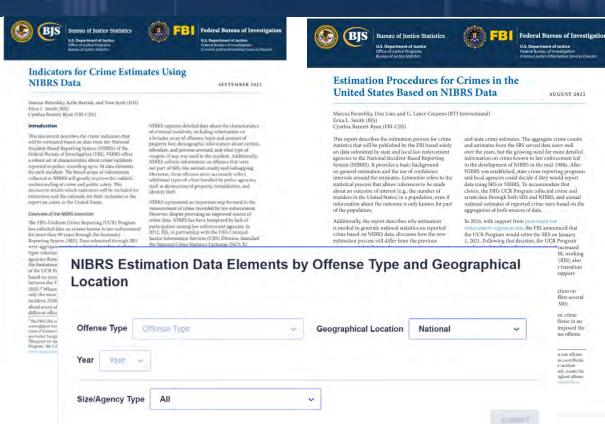
- NCVS and NIBRS measure different constructs
  - Neither one is right or wrong
- Both provide a more complete picture of crime
  - Compliment each other
- Answer different questions

#### How to access NIBRS data and statistics?

- BJS statistical reports (<a href="https://bjs.ojp.gov/library">https://bjs.ojp.gov/library</a>)
- <u>LEARCAT</u> online NIBRS analysis tool, 2016-2022
- Download NIBRS data files
  - Public-use files available through the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data (NACJD | Home Page (umich.edu))
  - FBI Crime Data Explorer (<a href="https://cde.ucr.cjis.gov/LATEST/webapp/#/pages/downloads">https://cde.ucr.cjis.gov/LATEST/webapp/#/pages/downloads</a>)
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# Access the FBI's Crime Data Explorer (CDE) –

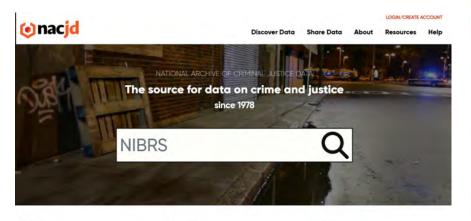
- Download NIBRS estimation tables
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  - Weighting and imputation procedures
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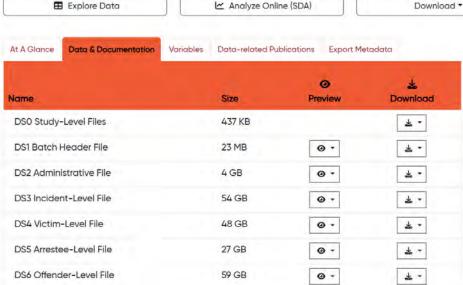




#### Additional BJS NIBRS Resources

- BJS NIBRS Website
- LEARCAT
- NIBRS Extract Files





The National Archive of Criminal Justice Data (NACJD) is the place to discover, access, and analyze data on crime and Justice.



News
April 2024 Data Releases
March 2024 Data Releases



#### How to access NCVS data and statistics?

- 1. BJS statistical reports (<a href="https://bjs.ojp.gov/library">https://bjs.ojp.gov/library</a>)
- 2. N-DASH online data tool (<a href="https://ncvs.bjs.ojp.gov/Home">https://ncvs.bjs.ojp.gov/Home</a>)
- 3. Data files
  - Public-use files available through the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data (<a href="https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/web/NACJD/series/95">https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/web/NACJD/series/95</a>)

- Apply for restricted-use files through ResearchDataGov (https://www.researchdatagov.org/)
- 4. NCVS API (<a href="https://bjs.ojp.gov/national-crime-victimization-survey-ncvs-api">https://bjs.ojp.gov/national-crime-victimization-survey-ncvs-api</a>)

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#### **NCVS** Resources

 Resources for calculating victimization (and incident) rates, numbers, and percentages

- NCVS Resource Guide and Codebooks (NACJD)
- NCVS Technical Documentation
- Variance estimation
  - User's guides
    - Generalized variance function (GVF) parameters
    - Direct variance estimation
- NACJD <u>Learning Guide</u> for the NCVS
- Register for the NCVS workshop at ASC 2024 in San Francisco!

## Updates from BJS

- Subscribe to <u>JUSTSTATS</u>
  - Stay up-to-date with data releases, statistical report releases, and data tool updates
- Follow BJS on X (@BJSgov) and Facebook
- Email <u>AskBJS@usdoj.gov</u> with questions emails are forwarded to BJS statisticians with topical expertise

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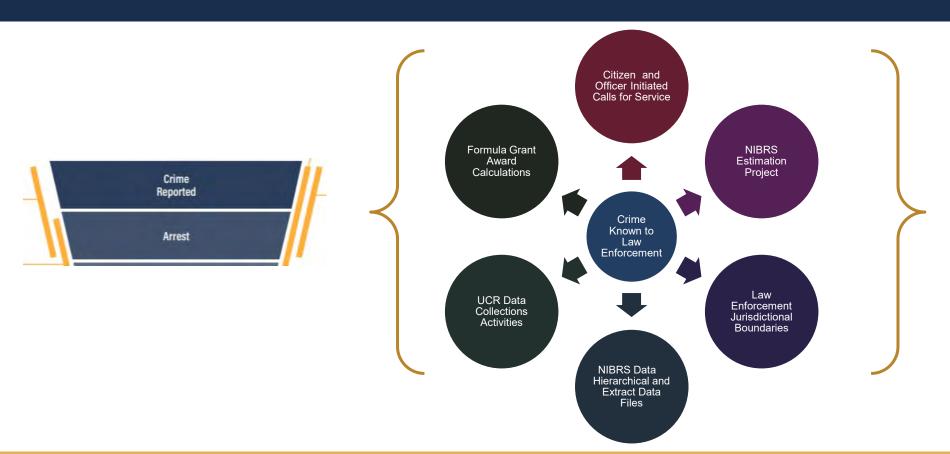
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# Additional Slides for reference





#### The IBR difference -

- Key incident and victimization indicators
- Tracking clearance and arrest of incidents
- Population-based rates
- Place-based rates



		Victimization rate per 100,000 by offense type												
	Seri			A٤	gravated	ated								
Victim age	crim	ne*	Murder Rape		as	sault	Robbery		Simple assault		Intimidation			
11 or younger		143.3		1.4		40.2		97.9		3.7		219.6		47.6
12 to 17		532.2		5.4		164.6		300.0		62.4		1,079.4		244.0
18 to 24		803.2	1	4.7		88.7		543.0		157.5		1,446.4		342.4
25 to 34		748.0	1	3.1		47.7		551.5		136.4		1,590.7		410.3
35 to 64		392.8		6.1		19.0		288.9		79.1		848.6		266.5
65 or older		91.6		2.0		3.2		62.7		23.8		203.4		65.1
*Includes murder	, rap	e, aggravat	ed assa	ult,	and	d robbe	ry							





# Strengths of NIBRS

NIBRS is designed to provide local, community-level picture of crime and arrest.

~ The purpose of establishing appropriate jurisdiction is to depict the nature and amount of crime in a particular community.

-FBI NIBRS User Manual, 2023

## Crime in the Bakken region

#### Socioeconomic change in the Bakken region

The Bakken shale formation underlies portions of eastern Montana and western North Dakota and provides a rich source of oil and natural gas. Most of the counties that comprise the Bakken region are in western North Dakota, and much of the population growth associated with oil production in the Bakken region from 2006 to 2012 occurred in western North Dakota counties. Referred to as a "man rush," 3 growth in the population of males—particularly young males aged 15 to 29—in the Bakken region was concentrated in eight counties in North Dakota and one county in Montana. The increase in the young male population in those counties ranged from 30% to 70%, far outpacing increases in the young male population in other counties in the states (figure 2).

Figure 2. Percent change in male population aged 15 to 29, by county and Bakken region, 2006–2012

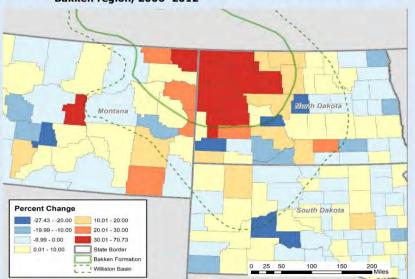
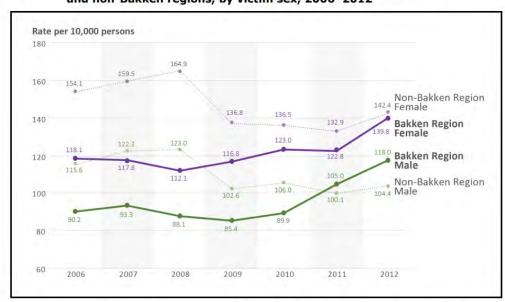


Figure 1. Rate of violent victimization known to law enforcement in the Bakken and non-Bakken regions, by victim sex, 2006–2012



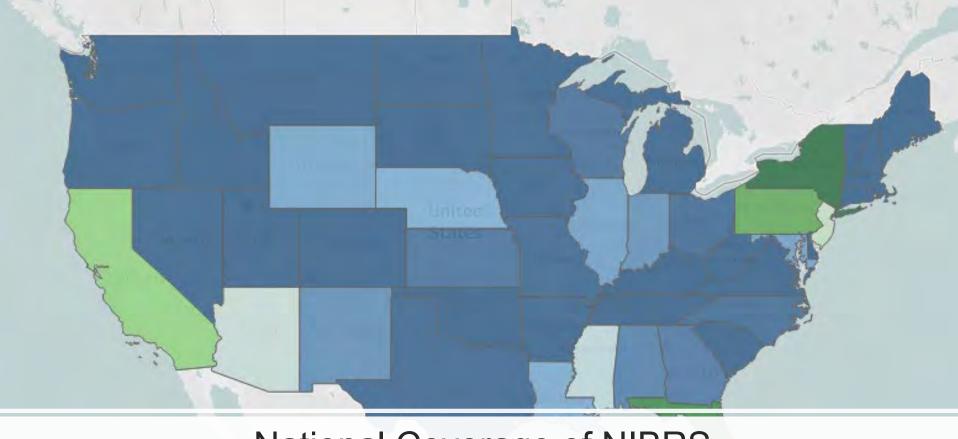
Sources: Bureau of Justice Statistics analysis of data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Incident-Based Reporting System, 2006–2012; and U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Population Estimates Program, 2006-2012.

#### Local vs national view of gun violence

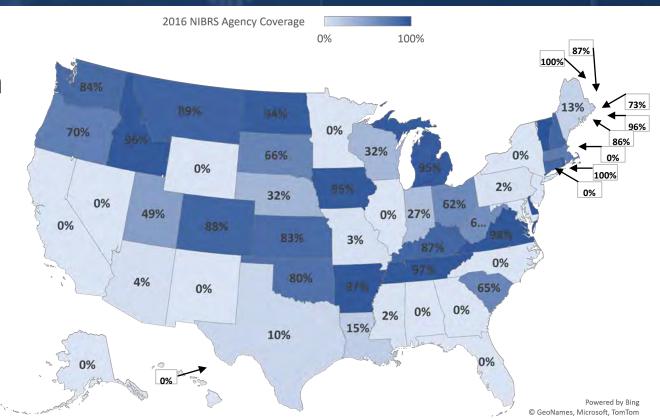
I have been trying to paste my map here today, but OJP is blocking the staging site where I created it, saying the words 'weapons' and 'explosives' that appear in NIBRS data make the website unsecure.

I've alerted OCIO. As soon as I get access to a non-OJP machine tonight, I'll grab a screenshot and paste it in here, or we can scrap it 🖰

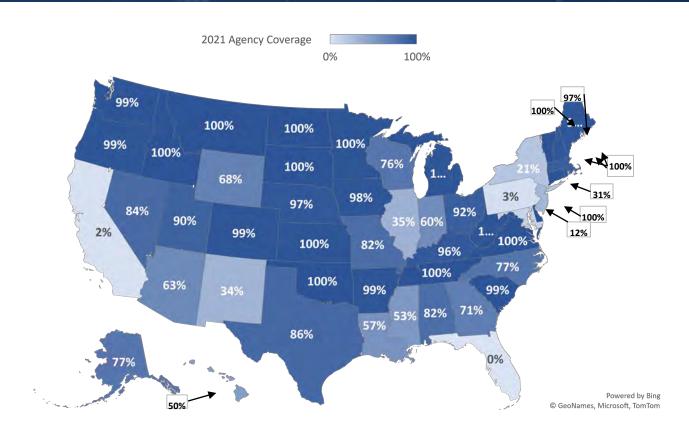


National Coverage of NIBRS

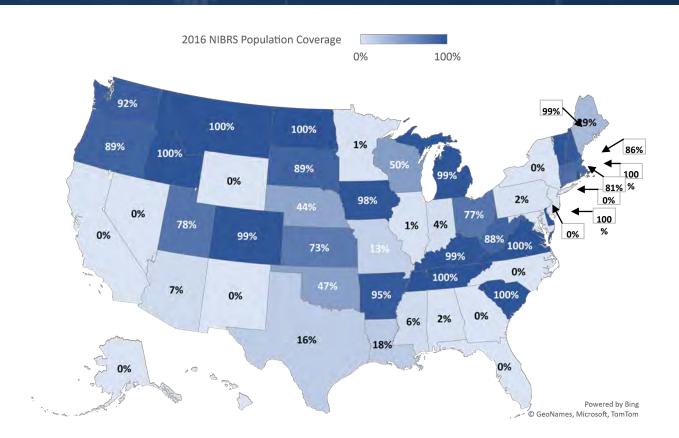
Agencies reporting in 2016



# Agencies reporting in 2021



# Population covered in 2016



# Population covered in 2021

