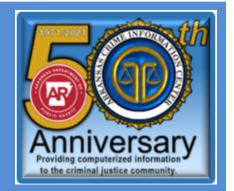
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### **1** Introduction

The FBI Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program is a nationwide, cooperative statistical effort of more than 18,000 federal, state, county, city, university and college, and tribal law enforcement agencies (LEAs) voluntarily reporting data on offenses reported or known. Since 1930, the FBI has administered the UCR Program and continued to assess and monitor the nature and type of crime in the nation. The program's primary objective is to generate reliable information for use in law enforcement (LE) administration, operation, and management. However, over the years, UCR data have become one of the country's leading social indicators. Criminologists, sociologists, legislators, municipal planners, the media, and other students of criminal justice use the data for varied research and planning purposes.

The FBI UCR Program prepared this manual to assist LEAs in reporting their crime statistics via the Program's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). The manual addresses NIBRS policies, the types of offenses reported via NIBRS, and guidelines for an agency to become certified to submit NIBRS data to the FBI.

#### **1.1 Background of NIBRS**

Originally, the UCR Program was designed as a summary system to collect only the most serious offense within an incident. However, the Program began using incident-based reporting (i.e., NIBRS) in 1989 to capture all offenses within an incident—up to ten crime occurrences. Through NIBRS, LEAs report data on each offense and arrest within 28 offense categories made up of 71 specific crimes called Group A offenses. For each of the Group A offenses coming to their attention, the LE collects administrative, offense, property, victim, offender, and arrestee information. LEAs report only arrest data for an additional 10 Group B offense categories.

By design, LEAs generate NIBRS data as a by-product of their respective records management systems (RMSs). Therefore, an LEA builds its system to suit its own individual needs, including all of the information required for administration and operation, then forwards only the data required by NIBRS to the FBI UCR Program. As more agencies report via NIBRS, the data collected will provide a clearer assessment of the nation's crime experience.

#### **1.2 UCR Advisory Groups**

In the 1920s, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) developed a system to collect uniform crime statistics that became the foundation of the UCR Program in 1929. The IACP, along with the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), continues to provide vital links between local LE and the FBI in the administration of the UCR Program through their Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) Committees. The IACP represents thousands of police departments nationwide, and the NSA encourages sheriffs throughout the country to participate fully in the program.

Both the IACP and the NSA's committees are involved with the Advisory Policy Board (APB) of the FBI CJIS Division. The APB is the formal advisory process for the FBI UCR Program. The APB began in 1988 when a Data Providers' APB was established. The Board operated until 1993 when it combined with the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) APB to form a single APB to address all FBI criminal justice information services. The underlying philosophy of the APB is one of shared management. The FBI, along with local and state data providers and system users, share responsibility for the operation and management of all systems administered by the FBI for the benefit of the criminal justice community. The current APB includes the UCR Subcommittee, which reviews issues concerning NIBRS, the Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted (LEOKA), and the Hate Crime Statistics. The APB also includes additional subcommittees that review other matters involving the FBI CJIS Division.

In addition to the IACP, NSA, and APB, the Association of State UCR Programs (ASUCRP) also serves to link the FBI with LEAs that submit and use UCR data. ASUCRP focuses on improving the collection, use, and utility of crime data reported to the FBI UCR Program. The state UCR organizations foster widespread, responsible use of crime statistics and lend assistance to data contributors when needed.

#### **1.3 UCR Program Standards**

More than 18,000 LEAs are eligible to provide data to the FBI UCR Program. To streamline the collection of UCR data, ensure the consistency and comparability of data, and provide a higher quality of service, states have a state UCR Program collecting data for the state's LEAs and reporting it to the FBI UCR Program. Establishment of a UCR Program is not limited to state governments. Federal, territorial, and tribal agencies may also institute UCR Programs. UCR Programs gather crime information from the LEAs under their domain and forward the data to the FBI.

The following are the standards under which a UCR Program must operate:

- 1. A UCR Program must conform to FBI UCR Program's submission standards, definitions, specifications, and required deadlines.
- 2. A UCR Program must establish data integrity procedures and have personnel assigned to assist contributing agencies in quality assurance practices and crime reporting procedures.
- 3. A UCR Program's submissions must cover more than 50 percent of the LEAs within its established reporting domain and be willing to cover any and all UCR-contributing agencies that wish to use the UCR Program from within its domain. (An agency that wants to become a UCR Program must be willing to report for all the agencies within the state.)
- 4. A UCR Program must furnish the FBI UCR Program with all of the UCR data collected by the LEAs within its domain.

These standards do not prohibit a state from gathering other statistical data beyond the national collection. Data integrity procedures should include crime trend assessments, offense classification verification, and technical specification validation.

The FBI fulfills its responsibilities in connection with the UCR Programs by:

- Editing and reviewing submissions for completeness and quality.
- Contacting contributors, when necessary, in connection with crime reporting matters.
- Requesting individual agency information, when necessary, from the contributing UCR Program.
- Assessing the validity of reported data by providing a Quality Assurance Review (QAR).
- Coordinating with the contributing UCR Program to conduct training on LE record-keeping and crime-reporting procedures.
- Sending UCR Program Quarterly documents, that clarify, policies and procedures set forth by the program as well as publication updates and notifications to state programs for distribution to contributing agencies.

The FBI UCR Program refers to LEAs that submit data directly to the FBI without submitting it first to a state UCR Program as direct contributors because they submit their data directly to the FBI. The FBI allows individual LEAs to contribute data directly to the UCR Program on a case-by-case basis and, where applicable, with the state UCR Program's permission. Direct contributors work closely with staff from the FBI UCR Program to ensure their data adhere to the FBI UCR Program's guidelines.

Should circumstances develop whereby a state or other UCR Program does not comply with these standards, the FBI may reinstitute a direct collection of data submissions from LEAs within the FBI UCR Program's domain.

#### **1.4 Jurisdiction**

The purpose of establishing appropriate jurisdiction is to depict the nature and amount of crime in a particular community. Throughout the United States, there are thousands of LEAs; some have overlapping jurisdictions. To ensure LEAs with overlapping jurisdictions are not reporting duplicate data (offense or arrest), the FBI UCR Program developed the following guidelines:

1. Federal, state, county, city, university and college, and tribal, LEAs should report offenses that occur within their jurisdictions.

- 2. When two or more federal, state, county, city, university and college, or tribal LEAs are involved in the investigation of the same offense, the agency with investigative jurisdiction based on federal, state, local, and tribal law and/or applicable interagency agreements or memorandums of understanding should report the offense. If there is uncertainty as to the lead or primary agency, the agencies must agree on which agency should report the offense. If an incident involves a federal or tribal only offense and a city, university or college, county, or state LEA is involved, the federal or tribal agency will report the federal/tribal only offense (denoted with \*); and the local agency will report as previously directed.
- 3. LEAs will report only those arrests made for offenses committed within their own jurisdictions.
- 4. The recovery of property should be reported only by the LEA that first reported it missing and/or stolen, regardless of which agency recovered it.

As a rule, cities with their own police departments report their own crime data. However, smaller locales may combine their crime data with larger agencies (e.g., sheriffs' offices and state police) for reporting purposes. This practice most often occurs in rural or unincorporated areas employing constables, town marshals, or other officers who infrequently report offenses. In cases where the county sheriff or state police has a contract to provide LE services for an incorporated city, the sheriff or state police will continue to report incidents occurring within the boundaries of these cities. These reports should reflect the geographic location of where the incident occurred by use of the city's Originating Agency Identifier (ORI). In some localities, a federal LEA, the sheriff, or state police, or will assist a local police department in the investigation of crimes committed within the limits of the city. Even though this is the case, the city police department should report the offenses unless there is a written or oral agreement specifying otherwise.

#### **1.5 Referrals from Other Agencies**

If a reporting agency refers the investigation of an incident to another federal, state, local, or tribal agency after submitting the data to the FBI UCR Program, the original reporting agency must delete its report. The agency receiving the referral would then report the incident as if it were an original submission.

#### 2 Incidents and Offenses

Participation in NIBRS requires LEAs to report certain facts about each criminal incident coming to their attention within their jurisdictions. In most cases, officers capture the data through an incident report when a complainant first reports the crime. Officers may collect incident data via a paper form or electronically via a mobile terminal that interfaces with their department's RMS.

#### 2.1 Definition of an Incident

For NIBRS, the FBI UCR Program defines an *incident* as one or more offenses committed by the same offender, or group of offenders acting in concert, at the same time and place.

#### The Concept of Acting in Concert

Acting in Concert requires all the offenders to actually commit or assist in the commission of all of the crimes in an incident. The offenders must be aware of, and consent to, the commission of all the offenses; or even if nonconsenting, their actions assist in the commission of all the offenses. See Example 1, Acting in Concert. This is important because NIBRS considers all of the offenders in an incident to have committed all of the offenses in an incident. The arrest of any offender will clear all of the offenses in the incident. If one or more of the offenders did not act in concert, then the LEA should report more than one incident. See Examples <u>2</u> and <u>3</u>, Acting in Concert.

#### The Concept of Same Time and Place

The fundamental concept of *Same Time and Place* presupposes that if the same person or group of persons committed more than one crime and the time and space intervals separating them were insignificant, all the crimes make up a single incident. Normally, the offenses must have occurred during an unbroken time period and at the same or adjoining locations. However, incidents can also be comprised of offenses which, by their nature, involve continuing criminal activity by the same offenders at different times and places if, LE deems the activity to constitute a single criminal transaction. See Example 4, Same Time and Place.

In Summary Reporting System (SRS), LEAs used the concept of Same Time and Place to determine whether they should apply the Hierarchy Rule to a group of crimes. The agency reported only the crime highest in the hierarchy. Though NIBRS does not follow the Hierarchy Rule, LEAs must still apply the concept of Same Time and Place to determine whether a group of crimes constitutes a single incident. This is crucially important since the application of the concept determines whether LEAs should report the crimes as individual incidents or as a single incident comprised of multiple offenses.

#### Examples of Acting in Concert and Same Time and Place

It is impossible to provide instructions to cover all situations. However, some examples are provided below.

#### **Example 1, Acting in Concert**

During a robbery in a bar, one offender began to rape a victim. The other offender told the rapist to stop and only rob the victim. In this example, there was only one incident with two offenses (Robbery and Rape). Although the other robber did not consent to the Rape, by displaying a gun he prevented someone from coming to the victim's assistance and thereby assisted in the commission of the crime. The LEA should report one incident with two offenses. Both offenders are connected to the victim through the offense of Robbery and Rape.

#### **Example 2, Acting in Concert**

A domestic argument escalated from a shouting match between a husband and wife to an aggravated assault during which the husband began beating his wife. The wife, in her own defense, shot and killed her husband. The responding officer submitted one incident report. The LEA should have reported this information via NIBRS as two separate incidents because the husband could not have been acting in concert with the wife in his own killing. The LEA would submit one incident involving the aggravated assault perpetrated by the husband and a second incident involving the killing. This would allow the maintenance of the original incident number for record keeping purposes at the local level and simultaneously satisfy reporting requirements for NIBRS.

#### **Example 3, Acting in Concert**

Two offenders robbed a bar, forcing the bartender to surrender money from the cash register at gunpoint. The robbers also took money and jewelry from three customers. One of the robbers, in searching for more customers to rob, found a female customer in the rest room and raped her there without the knowledge of the other offender. When the rapist returned, both robbers left. In this example, there were two incidents: one involving Robbery and the other involving Rape, because the offenders were not acting in concert in both offenses. The LEA should report two incidents, each with one offense.

#### **Example 4, Same Time and Place**

Over a period of 18 months, a computer programmer working for a bank manipulated the bank's computer and systematically embezzled \$70,000. The continuing criminal activity against the same victim constituted a single incident involving the crime of Embezzlement.

#### 2.2 Classifying Offenses

For NIBRS, LEAs must report all Group A offenses, up to ten, within a particular incident. For example, an incident can include the crimes of Rape, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Kidnapping/Abduction. LEAs must ensure that each offense is reported as a separate, distinct crime and not just a part of another offense. For example, every Robbery includes some type of assault, but because the assault is an element integral to the crime of Robbery, the LEA should report only Robbery. However, if during a Robbery, the offender forces the victim to engage in

sexual relations, then the LEA should report both Robbery and Rape, since forced sexual intercourse is not an element of the crime of Robbery.

**Note:** The Robbery/assault example above contains "lesser included" offenses. Lesser included offenses are offenses where one offense is an element of another offense and cannot be reported as having happened to the victim along with the other offense. Mutually exclusive offenses are offenses that cannot occur to the same victim according to UCR Definitions. See the list of <u>Offense Definitions</u> in <u>Section 2.4</u> for details. For example, a Murder and an Aggravated Assault cannot occur to the same victim. (For more information about mutually exclusive/lesser included offenses, refer to the *NIBRS Technical Specification*, Data Element 24 [Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code]).

**Note:** LE should classify and report offenses after they complete the preliminary investigation of a call for service or a complaint. Since identifying the crime problems faced by LE is one of the objectives of NIBRS, agencies should report only offenses known to LE, not the findings of a court, coroner, jury, or prosecutor.

#### Criteria for Distinguishing Between Group A and Group B Offenses

When reporting data to the FBI UCR Program via NIBRS, LEAs must also classify the offenses within an incident as Group A offenses or Group B offenses. Though some state and local RMSs require the same level of reporting for all offenses, NIBRS requires differing levels of detail in reporting Group A and Group B offenses. LEAs must report both incidents and arrests for Group A offenses, and they must report only arrests for Group B offenses. The Group A offenses are the more serious crimes such as Murder, Rape, Robbery, etc. Group B offenses tend to be minor in nature, such as Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations, Disorderly Conduct, Driving Under the Influence, etc. See the listing of Group A and Group B offenses in <u>Section 2.3</u> Group A and Group B offense listing.

NIBRS contributors should use the following criteria to determine if a crime should be designated as a Group A offense:

- The seriousness or significance of the offense.
- The frequency or volume of its occurrence.
- The prevalence of the offense nationwide.
- The probability LE becomes aware of the offense.
- The likelihood LE is the best channel for collecting data regarding the offense.
- The burden placed on LE in collecting data on the offense.
- The national statistical validity and usefulness of the data collected.
- The FBI UCR Program's responsibility to make crime data available not only to LE but to others having a legitimate interest in it.

#### Additional Information Regarding Classifying Offenses

The UCR Program does not collect information on traffic offenses (e.g., parking and moving violations) except for Driving Under the Influence, Hit and Run (of a person), and Vehicular Manslaughter.

Unless it is a component of a Group A offense (e.g., Human Trafficking) when an offense includes one of the Offenses of General Applicability (i.e., words, phrases, or a similar variation thereof), LEAs should report the offense as the Group B offense 90Z—All Other Offenses if the substantive offense is a Group A offense. If it involves a Group B offense, LEAs should report the offense in the appropriate Group B category. The Offenses of General Applicability are Accessory Before/After the Fact, Aiding/Abetting, Conspiracy to Commit, Enticement, Facilitation of, Solicitation to Commit, Threat to Commit.

LEAs should report attempted crimes the same as the substantive offense, with the data value A = Attempted in Data Element 7 (Offense Attempted/Completed). Agencies should report attempted murders as Aggravated Assaults, and *all* assaults should be reported as C = Completed. (**Data elements** are data fields within each segment of the Group A Incident Report and in the Group B Arrest Report to describe the details of each component of a crime; a **data value** is a specific characteristic or type of field being reported that has an assigned code, e.g., M = Male or F = Female).

#### Example 1

An LEA arrested three members of a motorcycle gang for conspiracy to commit Murder. The LEA should submit three Group B Arrest Reports with the UCR Arrest Offense Code entered as 90Z = All Other Offenses.

#### Example 2

An LEA arrested five liquor store owners for conspiring to avoid paying local liquor taxes. The LEA should submit five Group B Arrest Reports with the UCR Arrest Offense Code entered as 90G = Liquor Law Violations.

#### Example 3

A witness observed and scared away two unknown teenagers who were trying to set fire to an abandoned building. The LEA should submit a Group A Incident Report that indicated the UCR Offense Code as 200 = Arson and the offense was Attempted.

#### Offense Categories - Crimes Against Persons, Property, and Society

Each NIBRS offense belongs in one of three categories: Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, and Crimes Against Society. Crimes Against Persons, e.g., Murder, Rape, and Assault, are those offenses whose victims are always individuals. The object of Crimes Against Property, e.g., Robbery, Bribery, and Burglary, is to obtain money, property, or some other benefit. Crimes Against Society, e.g., Animal Cruelty, Drug Violations, Gambling, and Prostitution, represent society's prohibition against engaging in certain types of activity.

For counting purposes, agencies should count one offense for each victim of a Crime Against Person, one offense for each distinct operation of a Crime Against Property (except for Motor Vehicle Theft, where one offense is counted for each stolen vehicle), and one offense for each Crime Against Society.

The listings of the Group A and Group B offenses appearing in this section indicate whether the offenses are Crimes Against Persons, Property, or Society.

#### The Use of Offense Codes in NIBRS

In NIBRS, there are 81 three-digit UCR offense codes; one for each of the 71 Group A and 10 Group B offenses. The three-digit data values are used to identify the Group A and Group B offenses in an incident to submit NIBRS Group A Incident Reports and Group B Arrest Reports.

#### **Group A Offense Codes**

There are 28 Group A crime categories made up of 71 Group A offenses; therefore, there are 71 Group A Offense Codes. The Group A Offense Codes, while unique to NIBRS, were generally derived from the four-digit NCIC Uniform Offense Classification Codes to facilitate interrelating offense data between the NCIC and the FBI UCR Program. NIBRS correlates these data using the first two characters from the NCIC codes of certain offenses as the same first two characters of the UCR Offense Codes for respective offenses. The third character of the NIBRS Offense Code is designated as either a zero (0) or an alphabetic character (A, B, C, etc.) to reference a subcategory of the crime category. For example, the NCIC code for Simple Assault is 1313, and the NIBRS Offense Code is 13B, e.g., 13B = Simple Assault.

Exceptions to the coding convention of Group A offenses are:

- 1. The NCIC Offense Code for Statutory Rape is 1116, but the NIBRS Offense Code is 36B = Statutory Rape.
- The NCIC Offense Code for Fondling (of child) is 3601, but the NIBRS Offense Code is 11D = Fondling.
- 3. The NCIC Offense Code and NIBRS Offense Code for Espionage\* is 103, Treason\* is 101.
- 4. The NIBRS Offense Code for Violation of National Firearm Act of 1934\* is 521; there is no NCIC Offense Code.

- 5. The NIBRS Offense Code for Weapons of Mass Destruction\* is 522; there is no NCIC Offense Code.
- 6. The NCIC Offense Code for Explosives\* is 5204-5206; 5211, but the NIBRS Offense Code is 526 Explosives\*.

#### **Group B Offense Codes**

NIBRS assigned a separate numbering series to the 10 Group B crime categories consisting of 10 Group B offenses. The numbering series used 90 for the first two characters of each Group B offense and designated an alpha character for the third position.

#### 2.3 Group A and Group B Offense Listing

There are 28 Group A offense categories made up of 71 Group A offenses. The offense categories are listed below in alphabetical order. Additionally, each offense's corresponding NIBRS Offense Code follows its name. Immediately following the code for each offense name is an indication of whether it is a Crime Against Person, Crime Against Property, or Crime Against Society. In addition, the listing provides the NCIC Offense Code (when applicable).

Offense	NIBRS Offense Code	Crime Against	Based on NCIC Offense Code
Animal Cruelty			
Animal Cruelty	720	Society	7201
Arson			
Arson	200	Property	2001–2009; 2099
Assault Offenses			
Aggravated Assault	13A	Person	1301-1312; 1314-1315
Simple Assault	13B	Person	1313
Intimidation	13C	Person	1316; 5215–5216
Bribery			
Bribery	510	Property	5101-5113; 5199
Burglary/Breaking & Entering			
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	220	Property	2201–2205; 2207; 2299
Commerce Violations			
Import Violations*	58A	Society	None
Export Violations*	58B	Society	None
Federal Liquor Offenses*	61A	Society	4101-4104; 4199; 6103
Federal Tobacco Offenses*	61B	Society	6102

#### Group A Offenses

	NIBRS		
Offense	Offense	Crime	Based on
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Wildlife Trafficking*	620	Society	None
Counterfeiting/Forgery			
Counterfeiting/Forgery	250	Property	2501-2507; 2509; 2510;
			2589; 2599
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Prope	erty		
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of	290	Property	2901–2906; 2999
Property			
Drug/Narcotic Offenses			
Drug/Narcotic Violations	35A	Society	3501-3505; 3510-3513;
			3520-3523; 3530-3533;
			3540-3543; 3560-3564;
			3570-3573; 3580-3583;
			3599
Drug Equipment Violations	35B	Society	3550
Embezzlement			
Embezzlement	270	Property	2701–2705; 2799
Espionage			
Espionage*	103	Society	0103
Extortion/Blackmail			
Extortion/Blackmail	210	Property	2101–2105; 2199
Fraud Offenses			
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence	26A	Property	2601-2603; 2607; 2699
Game			
Credit Card/Automated Teller	26B	Property	2605
Machine Fraud			
Impersonation	26C	Property	2604
Welfare Fraud	26D	Property	None
Wire Fraud	26E	Property	2608
Identity Theft	26F	Property	2610
Hacking/Computer Invasion	26G	Property	2609
Money Laundering*	26H	Society	6300
Fugitive Offenses			
Harboring Escapee/Concealing from			
Arrest*	49A	Society	4904; 4901
Flight to Avoid Prosecution*	49B	Society	4902
Flight to Avoid Deportation*	49C	Society	4902

Offense	NIBRS Offense Code	Crime Against	Based on NCIC Offense Code
Gambling Offenses			
Betting/Wagering	39A	Society	None
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	39B	Society	3901–3902; 3904–3905; 3907; 3915–3916; 3918; 3920–3921
Gambling Equipment Violations	39C	Society	3908-3914
Sports Tampering	39D	Society	3919
Homicide Offenses			
Murder and Nonnegligent			
Manslaughter	09A	Person	0901-0908; 0911-0912
Negligent Manslaughter	09B	Person	0910
Justifiable Homicide	09C	Not a Crime	None
Human Trafficking			
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	64A	Person	6411
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	64B	Person	6411
Immigration Violations			
Illegal Entry into the United States*	30A	Society	0301
False Citizenship*	30B	Society	0302
Smuggling Aliens*	30C	Society	0303
Re-entry after Deportation*	30D	Society	0399
Kidnapping/Abduction			
Kidnapping/Abduction	100	Person	1001–1009; 1099
Larceny/Theft Offenses			
Pocket-picking	23A	Property	2301
Purse-snatching	23B	Property	2302
Shoplifting	23C	Property	2303
Theft From Building	23D	Property	2308; 2311
Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	23E	Property	2307
Theft From Motor Vehicle	23F	Property	2305
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	23G	Property	2304; 2407
All Other Larceny	23H	Property	2306; 2309–2310; 2312–2316; 2410

Offense	NIBRS Offense Code	Crime Against	Based on NCIC Offense Code
Motor Vehicle Theft			
Motor Vehicle Theft	240	Property	2401–2405; 2408; 2412; 2499
Pornography/Obscene Material			
Pornography/Obscene Material	370	Society	3700-3706; 3799
Prostitution Offenses			
Prostitution	40A	Society	4003-4004
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	40B	Society	4001-4002; 4006; 4007; 4008; 4009; 4099
Purchasing Prostitution	40C	Society	4005
Robbery			
Robbery	120	Property	1201–1211; 1299
Sex Offenses			
Rape	11A	Person	1101-1103
Sodomy	11B	Person	1104–1115
Sexual Assault With An Object	11C	Person	None
Fondling	11D	Person	3601 (Child)
Incest	36A	Person	3604; 3607
Statutory Rape	36B	Person	1116
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender*	360	Society	3612
Stolen Property Offenses			
Stolen Property Offenses	280	Property	2801–2805; 2899
Treason			
Treason*	101	Society	0101
Weapon Law Violations			
Weapon Law Violations	520	Society	5201-5214; 5299
Violation of National Firearm Act of 1934*	521	Society	None
Weapons of Mass Destruction*	522	Society	None
Explosives*	526	Society	5204-5206; 5211

\*Denotes offenses for federal and tribal LEA reporting only

#### Group B Offenses

There are 10 Group B offense categories. They encompass all the crimes for which the FBI UCR Program collects data that are not considered Group A offenses. The Group B offense categories listed below are in alphabetical order. Additionally, each offense's corresponding NIBRS Offense Code follows its name. Immediately following the code for each offense name is the NCIC Offense Code (when applicable).

Offense	NIBRS Offense	Based on NCIC Offense Code		
	Code			
Bond Default				
Failure to Appear*	90K	5015		
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations				
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	90B	None		
Disorderly Conduct				
Disorderly Conduct	90C	5310-5311; 5399		
Driving Under the Influence				
Driving Under the Influence	90D	5403-5404		
Family Offenses, Nonviolent				
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F	3801-3803; 3806-3808; 3899		
Federal Resource Violation				
Federal Resource Violations*	90L	None		
Liquor Law Violations				
Liquor Law Violations	90G	4101-4104; 4199		
Perjury				
Perjury*	90M	5003, 5004		
Trespass of Real Property				
Trespass of Real Property	90J	5707		
All Other Offenses				
All Other Offenses	90Z	Various		

\*Denotes offenses for federal and tribal LEA reporting only

#### **2.4 Offense Definitions**

#### Source of Offense Definitions

The use of standardized definitions in NIBRS is essential to the maintenance of uniform and consistent data. This practice ensures the FBI UCR Program considers and appropriately counts all criminal offenses of law, regardless of their different titles under state and local law or United States titles and statutes.

The purpose of the FBI UCR Program is to provide a common language transcending the varying local and state laws. Therefore, the Program did not intend for LEAs to use NIBRS offense definitions for charging persons with crimes. Instead, LEAs should use the definitions to translate crime into the common UCR language used throughout the United States. Though state statutes specifically define crimes so persons facing prosecution will know the exact charges placed against them, the definitions used in NIBRS must be generic to not exclude varying state statutes relating to the same type of crime.

The Program based NIBRS offense definitions on the common-law definitions found in *Black's Law Dictionary*, as well as those used in the NCIC 2000 Uniform Offense Classifications. Due to most states basing their statutes on the common-law definitions, even though they may vary as to specifics, these definitions should fit into the corresponding NIBRS offense classifications.

#### State Offenses

If a state statute for an offense includes additional offenses not fitting the NIBRS offense definition, the LEA should report the nonconforming offenses according to its NIBRS offense classifications. For example, some states worded their larceny statutes so broadly as to include the crime of Embezzlement. If an offender perpetrates Embezzlement within such a state, LE should report the offense via NIBRS as Embezzlement, not Larceny/Theft.

Certainly, unusual situations will arise in classifying offenses, and this manual cannot cover all circumstances. In classifying unusual situations, LE should consider the nature of the crime along with the guidelines provided. In addition to the Group A and Group B offense definitions and explanations, the <u>Offense Lookup Table</u> at the end of this section will also aid in classifying offenses. If LEAs have concerns on how to classify an offense they can contact the FBI UCR Program Office.

#### Group A Offenses

There are 28 Group A offense categories made up of 71 Group A offenses. The offense categories listed below are in alphabetical order. Most entries include the following information:

- NIBRS offense code, offense name
- Definition
- Considerations and examples (as appropriate)

#### 720 Animal Cruelty

Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly taking an action that mistreats or kills any animal without just cause, such as torturing, tormenting, mutilation, maiming, poisoning, or abandonment. Included are instances of duty to provide care, e.g., shelter, food, water, care if sick or injured; transporting or confining an animal to fight with another; inflicting excessive or repeated unnecessary pain or suffering, e.g., uses objects to beat or injure an animal. This definition does not include proper maintenance of animals for show or sport; use of animals for food, lawful hunting, fishing or trapping.

For Animal Cruelty offenses, reporting agencies must enter at least one but no more than three types of activity (simple/gross neglect, organized abuse, intentional abuse or torture, or animal sexual abuse) in Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information).

#### 200 Arson

# To unlawfully and intentionally damage or attempt to damage any real or personal property of another person or entity by fire or incendiary device.

An LEA should report only fires determined through investigation to have been unlawfully and intentionally set. Though the agency should include attempts to burn, it should not include fires of suspicious or unknown origin. In addition, an agency should report one incident for each distinct Arson operation originating within its jurisdiction. If a fire started by Arson in one jurisdiction spreads to another jurisdiction and destroys property, the LEA in which the fire started should report the incident and all dollar value damage.

If a fire marshal collects Arson-related incident information, the LEA having jurisdiction should gather the information from the fire marshal and report it with their monthly submission (unless the Fire Marshall has a valid UCR ORI). The national UCR Program excludes Arson-related deaths and injuries of police officers and firefighters, unless determined as willful Murders or assaults, due to the hazardous nature of these professions.

LEAs should report the type of property burned into Data Element 15 (Property Description) and the value of property burned in Data Element 16 (Value of Property), which includes incidental damage resulting from fighting the fire.

Structures deemed abandoned but arson-related would be collected within this category.

#### 13A – 13C Assault Offenses

#### An unlawful attack by one person upon another.

Careful consideration of the following factors should assist in classifying assaults:

- 1. The type of weapon employed or the use of an object as a weapon.
- 2. The seriousness of the injury.
- 3. The intent and capability of the assailant to cause serious injury.

The weapons used or the extent of the injury sustained typically will be the deciding factors in distinguishing Aggravated from Simple Assault. A weapon can be a gun, knife or anything that could be used to harm someone else (a broken glass bottle, rocks, a shoe, etc.) In only a very limited number of instances should it be necessary to examine the intent and capability of the assailant. The prosecution policies in a jurisdiction should not influence classification or reporting of LE offense data. Reporting agencies should examine and classify the assaults in their respective jurisdictions according to the standard UCR definitions, regardless of whether the offenses are termed misdemeanors or felonies by local definitions.

By definition there can be no *attempted* assaults, only *completed* assaults. Therefore, reporting agencies must enter the data value of C = Completed for all Assault Offenses into Data Element 7 (Offense Attempted/Completed).

#### **13A Aggravated Assault**

An unlawful attack by one person upon another wherein the offender uses a dangerous weapon or displays it in a threatening manner or the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury, or where there was a risk for serious injury/intent to seriously injure.

Apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

Strangulation (choking) may be difficult to determine; however, common signs include loss of consciousness/blacking out; petechiae (small broken blood vessels) of the eyes, earlobes, or scalp; bruising/marks on the neck; respiratory distress; nausea/vomiting; light headedness; or involuntary urination and/or defecation.

**Note:** NIBRS considers Mace and pepper spray to be weapons. A severe laceration is one that should receive medical attention. A loss of consciousness must be the direct result of force inflicted on the victim by the offender.

#### **13B Simple Assault**

An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a dangerous weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

Simple assault includes offenses such as minor assault, hazing, assault and battery, and injury caused by culpable negligence or attempts to do so.

#### **13C Intimidation**

To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct without displaying a dangerous weapon or subjecting the victim to an actual physical attack.

This offense includes stalking. In addition, the offender can make threats in person, over the telephone, or in writing.

#### **510 Bribery**

# The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting anything of value (e.g., a bribe, gratuity, or kickback) to sway the judgement or action of a person in a position of trust or influence.

In addition to bribes, gratuities, and kickbacks, the phrase, "anything of value," includes favors or anything else used illegally to influence the outcome of something governed by law, fair play, contractual agreement, or any other guideline. The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of the bribe would bring the outcome of an event outside any realm of reasonableness, the result of which could be predicted based on the offering or influence given to the person(s) in a position to render decisions.

**Note**: This offense excludes sports bribery (i.e., changing the outcome of a sporting contest or event). Agencies should report such activities under the crime category of gambling offenses as Sports Tampering, not Bribery.

#### 220 Burglary/Breaking & Entering

#### The unlawful entry into a building or some other structure to commit a felony or a theft.

LEAs should classify offenses locally known as Burglary (any degree), unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony, breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny, housebreaking, and safecracking as burglary. However, because Larceny/Theft is an element of Burglary, agencies should not report the Larceny as a separate offense if it is associated with the unlawful entry of a structure. The element of trespass is essential to the offense of Burglary/ Breaking and Entering. By definition, a structure has four walls, a roof, and a door (e.g., apartment, barn, cabin, church, condominium, dwelling house, factory, garage, house trailer or houseboat if used as a permanent dwelling, mill, office, outbuilding, public building, railroad car, room, school, stable, vessel or ship, warehouse).

A structure is also any house trailer or other mobile unit permanently fixed as an office, residence, or storehouse. However, a tent, tent trailer, motor-home, house trailer, or any other mobile unit used for recreational purposes is not a structure. LEAs should not classify the illegal entry of such mobile units, followed by a felony, theft, or attempt to commit a felony or theft, as burglary, but rather as larceny.

#### **Hotel Rule**

The Hotel Rule applies to burglaries of hotels, motels, lodging houses, or other places where lodging of transients is the main purpose. Burglaries of temporary rental storage facilities, e.g., mini-storage and self-storage buildings, can pose reporting questions.

- If a number of units under a single manager are the object of a Burglary and the manager, rather than the individual tenants/renters, will most likely report the offenses to the police, the agency should report the Burglary to the FBI UCR Program as a single incident. Examples are burglaries of multiple rental hotel rooms, rooms in "flop" houses, rooms in a youth hostel, and units in a motel.
- If multiple occupants rent or lease individual living or working areas in a building for a period of time, which would preclude the tenancy from being classified as transient, and the occupants would most likely report the individual burglaries separately, the reporting agency should submit the burglaries as separate incidents. Examples of this latter type of multiple burglaries include burglaries of multiple apartments in an apartment house, offices of a number of commercial firms in a business building, offices of separate professionals within one building, and rooms in a college dormitory.

Whenever a question arises as to whether a type of structure comes within the scope of the Burglary definition, LEAs should examine the nature of the crime and use the examples provided as guidance.

When a hotel, motel, inn, other temporary lodging, or a rental storage facility is the object of a Burglary, the LEA should report the number of premises (e.g., rooms, suites, units, or storage compartments) in Data Element 10 (Number of Premises Entered). For all Burglary offenses, the agency should report the method of entry in Data Element 11 (Method of Entry) as either data value F = Force or N = No Force. A forced entry occurs when the offender(s) uses force of any degree or a mechanical contrivance of any kind (e.g., a passkey or skeleton key) to unlawfully enter a building or other structure. An unforced entry occurs when the offender(s) achieves unlawful entry without force through an unlocked door or window. If both forced and unforced entries are involved, the agency should enter F = Force.

Agencies should report incidental damage resulting from a Burglary (e.g., a forced door, broken window, hole in the wall, or dynamited safe) only if the amount of damage is deemed substantial by the reporting agency. If deemed substantial, the agency should report the damage under the offense category Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of property.

**Note:** LEAs should classify offenses according to NIBRS definitions and not according to federal, state, or local codes. For example, though some jurisdictions may categorize a Shoplifting or a Theft From an Automobile as Burglary, the UCR Program considers these offenses as Larcenies. Thefts from an Automobile (whether locked or not); Shoplifting from commercial establishments; and Thefts from Coin Boxes, or Coin-Operated Machines (including machines that accept paper bills) do not involve unlawful entry of a structure; thus, no Burglary occurred.

#### 58A-61B, 620 Commerce Violations

#### **58A Import Violations\***

To knowingly or willfully defraud the United States by smuggling, importing, or clandestinely introducing merchandise that should have been invoiced, received, bought, sold, or facilitate the transportation, the concealment, or sale of such merchandise after importation.

Import Violations is a Crime Against Society.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 58A Import Violations.

#### **58B Export Violations\***

To knowingly or willfully defraud the United States by smuggling, exporting, or clandestinely distributing merchandise that should have been invoiced, received, bought, sold, or facilitate the transportation, the concealment, or sale of such merchandise after exportation.

Export Violations is a Crime Against Society.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 58B Export Violations.

#### 61A Federal Liquor Offenses\*

The unlawful production (using an unregistered still), transportation (without proper bill of lading), receipt, distribution, or smuggling of distilled spirits on which federal tax has not been paid. Acting as a distiller, a winery, or a wholesaler of distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages without a federal permit.

Federal Liquor Violations is a Crime Against Society.

#### Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 61A Federal Liquor Offenses.

#### 61B Federal Tobacco Offenses\*

The unlawful possession and/or distribution of contraband tobacco products; including any quantity of cigarettes in excess of 10,000 or other tobacco products if the cigarettes/products bear no evidence of the payment of applicable state taxes in the state where the cigarettes are found. Engaging in interstate commerce in tobacco products without registering with, and reporting to, the federal government and applicable state tax administrators.

Federal Tobacco Violations is a Crime Against Society.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 61B Federal Tobacco Offenses.

#### 620 Wildlife Trafficking\*

# The poaching or other illegal taking of protected or managed species and the illegal trade in wildlife and their related parts and products.

Wildlife Trafficking is a Crime Against Society.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 620 Wildlife Trafficking.

#### **250 Counterfeiting/Forgery**

The altering, copying, or imitating of something, without authority or right, with the intent to deceive or defraud by passing the copy or thing altered or imitated as that which is original or genuine, or the selling, buying, or possession of an altered, copied, or imitated thing with the intent to deceive or defraud.

Most states treat Counterfeiting and Forgery as allied offenses. This category includes offenses such as altering and forging public and other records; making, altering, forging or counterfeiting bills, notes, drafts, tickets, checks, credit cards, etc.; forging wills, deeds, notes, bonds, seals, trademarks, etc.; counterfeiting coins, plates, banknotes, checks, etc.; possessing forged or counterfeit instruments; erasures; signing the name of another or fictitious person with intent to defraud; using forged labels; possession, manufacture, etc., of counterfeiting apparatus; and selling goods with altered, forged, or counterfeit trademarks. Although Counterfeiting/Forgery offenses can involve elements of Fraud, the FBI UCR Program treats them separately due to their unique nature.

Agencies should enter the type of activity (namely publishing, distributing, selling, buying, possessing, or transporting) in Data Element 12, (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information). Likewise, the agency should enter the type of property altered, counterfeited, or forged in Data Element 15 (Property Description).

Problems arise in scoring Counterfeiting/Forgery offenses for UCR purposes when LEAs find the offender(s) used forged checks or counterfeit money to obtain items such as cash, groceries, electronic equipment, etc. If the offense of Counterfeiting/Forgery is completed, the Type Property Loss/Etc. can only be 3 = Counterfeited/Forged, 5 = Recovered, or 6 = Seized. Therefore, LEAs do not report items the offender(s) obtained as the result of passing a forged or counterfeit instrument.

When incidents involving the passing of a forged or counterfeited instrument to obtain items occur, an additional Fraud offense should accompany the Counterfeiting/Forgery to allow the capture of fraudulently obtained items.

#### Example:

A lone male enters a department store to purchase a \$400 television and a \$300 DVD player (retail value) with a forged check. Later, the store manager finds the offender(s) used a forged check to make the purchase. The manager then summons the police to file a report. LEAs should report the incident with UCR Offense Code, 250 = Counterfeiting/Forgery; Type Property Loss/Etc., 3 = Counterfeited/Forged; Property Description, 21 = Negotiable Instruments (\$700). In addition, Offense Code 26A = False Pretense/Swindle/Confidence Game; Type Property Loss/Etc., 7 = Stolen/Etc.; Property Description, 26 = Radios/TVs/DVDs; Value of Property, \$550 (wholesale value) should be reported.

**Note:** Once the forged check (a non-negotiable instrument with no monetary value) was passed to the manager for the television and DVD player, and the manager countersigned the check for deposit, the non-negotiable instrument became a negotiable instrument. Although the forged check was written for \$700, the wholesale value of the stolen property (\$550) should be reported. Properly countersigned checks, even if done in a fraudulent manner, are considered negotiable instruments for UCR reporting purposes.

#### 290 Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property (except Arson)

# To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure any public or private property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

As a general rule, LEAs should report this offense only if they deem *substantial damage* to property has occurred, e.g., major structural damage, property damage generally classified as a felony destruction of property. Agencies should not report insubstantial damage, such as a broken window or other minor damage. The FBI UCR Program leaves the determination of whether the damage was substantial to the discretion of the reporting LEA as it should not require burdensome damage assessments.

**Note:** Agencies should report incidental damage resulting from another offense (e.g., Burglary or Robbery) under Destruction/Damage/Vandalism only if they deem the amount of damage to be substantial. For Arson, agencies should include the incidental damage resulting from fighting the fire as part of the loss caused by burning.

#### 35A – 35B Drug/Narcotic Offenses

# The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use.

For Drug/Narcotic Offenses, reporting agencies must enter the type of activities (up to three, namely, cultivating, manufacturing, distributing, selling, buying, using, possessing, transporting, or importing) in Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information).

#### **35A Drug/Narcotic Violations**

## The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled substance.

Because it is difficult to determine the street value of drugs or narcotics seized in Drug/Narcotic Violations, reporting agencies should not enter a data value in Data Element 16 (Value of Property). However, agencies must report the type of drug or narcotic in Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type); the quantity in Data Element 21 (Estimated Drug Quantity); and the type of measurement, e.g., kilograms or liquid ounces, in Data Element 22 (Type Drug Measurement).

#### **35B Drug Equipment Violations**

# The unlawful manufacture, sale, purchase, possession, or transportation of equipment or devices utilized in preparing and/or using drugs or narcotics.

This offense covers those cases involving drug paraphernalia, equipment, chemicals, illegal labs, etc. Various statutes and/or codes may vary in the description of unlawful equipment or paraphernalia involved with drugs/narcotics.

#### 270 Embezzlement

# The unlawful misappropriation by an offender to his/her own use or purpose of money, property, or some other thing of value entrusted to his/her care, custody, or control.

In general, an employer/employee or legal agent relationship must exist for Embezzlement to occur. Typically, the victims of these offenses are businesses, financial institutions, etc.

Agencies must enter the type of victim in Data Element 25 (Type of Victim) (e.g., financial institution, business, government, individual, religious organization, society/public, and other).

#### **103 Espionage\***

The act of obtaining, delivering, transmitting, communicating, or receiving national security or national defense information with an intent, or reason to believe, that the information may be used to the injury of the United States or to the advantage of any foreign nation.

#### Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 103 Espionage offenses.

#### **210 Extortion/Blackmail**

To unlawfully obtain money, property, or any other thing of value, either tangible or intangible, through the use or threat of force, misuse of authority, threat of criminal prosecution, threat of destruction of reputation or social standing, or through other coercive means.

Even though persons are involved or victimized in cases of Extortion/Blackmail, the object of these crimes is to obtain money, property, or intangibles (e.g., reputation); therefore, they should be classified as Crimes Against Property.

Extortions include offenses where the offender made threats in non-confrontational circumstances and the victim is not in fear of immediate harm. If during a demand for money, property, etc., there is a personal confrontation between the victim and offender and the offender has the opportunity to carry out the threat of force or violence immediately, the agency should report the offense as robbery.

If an LEA determines the Extortion/Blackmail produced an intangible benefit (i.e., advantage or disadvantage), the agency must enter it as data value 66 = Identity-Intangible (provided the agency has updated property descriptions) or 77 = Other in Data Element 15 (Property Description). Intangibles are anything a person cannot perceive by the sense of touch. They can be a benefit (a right or privilege, a promotion, enhanced reputation, etc.) or a detriment (the loss of reputation, injured feelings, etc.). 77 = Other should only be used for identity intangibles when an agency has not programmed the new property descriptions.

#### 26A – 26H Fraud Offenses (except Counterfeiting/Forgery)

# The intentional perversion of the truth for the purpose of inducing another person or other entity in reliance upon it to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right.

When classifying fraud cases other than the most obvious ones, e.g., con games, swindles, etc., agencies should use care in applying the facts of the case to the definition of Fraud. Often questions arise as to whether the facts of a case describe a Fraud or a Larceny. Though both

offenses can involve theft, it is the method used to steal that differentiates the two. Fraud is achieved through deceit or lying; larceny, is the physical taking of something.

By definition, Fraud involves either the offender receiving a benefit or the victim incurring a detriment. The benefit or detriment could be either tangible or intangible. Intangibles are anything a person cannot perceive by the sense of touch. They can be a benefit (a right or privilege, a promotion, enhanced reputation, etc.) or a detriment (the loss of reputation, injured feelings, etc.). For example, if a person impersonates a doctor to gain entrance to a restricted area of a hospital, the benefit to the offender (entry to the restricted area) is an intangible.

The only fraud-related violations agencies should not report under the Fraud Offenses category is Counterfeiting/Forgery. These offenses have their own specific offense classifications.

Examples of common fraud involve cases in which an offender rents something of value, e.g., equipment or an automobile, for a time but does not return the item. Agencies should classify this offense, conversion of goods lawfully possessed by a bailee, as Fraud and not Larceny. In such cases, the offenders originally had lawful possession of the property (the property was either rented or loaned) and through deceit (they promised to return it) kept the property.

A common classification problem is the taking of gasoline without paying for it. If an offender steals gasoline from a self-service gas station without paying for it, the reporting agency should classify the offense as a 23H = All Other Larceny. In this case, the victim made no contract or agreement for payment with the offender.

However, if someone gets gasoline at a full-service gas station and drives off without paying for it, the offense is considered a 26A = False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game. The individual asked someone to provide a service and product to them and failed to pay for it (they made a tacit agreement for product and services rendered).

**Note:** Agencies should report the most specific subcategory of fraud whenever the circumstances fit the definition of more than one of the subcategories listed below. For example, many frauds would fit the definition of False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game. However, if the offender used a credit card to perpetrate the Fraud, the agency should classify the offense as Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud.

## 26A False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game

The intentional misrepresentation of existing fact or condition or the use of some other deceptive scheme or device to obtain money, goods, or other things of value. Only includes fraud offenses that do not fit any of the definitions of the specific subcategories of fraud.

This term applies to the premeditated and calculated act that misrepresents the facts or a situation in order to defraud (false pretenses) and cheating and defrauding grossly with deliberate artifice (swindling).

Acquisition of personal or movable property, money, or instrument of writing conveying or securing a valuable right, by means of some false or deceitful pretense or device, or fraudulent representation, with intent to appropriate the same to use of the party so acquiring, or of destroying or impairing the rights of the party justly entitled to the same (swindling).

Applies to a swindle where the swindler gains the confidence of the person he is trying swindle (confidence game).

## 26B Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud

The unlawful use of a credit/debit card, credit/debit card number, or automatic teller machine for fraudulent purposes.

This offense does not apply to the theft of a credit/debit card but rather its fraudulent use.

## **26C Impersonation**

Unlawfully representing one's position and acting in the character or position to deceive others and thereby gain a profit or advantage, or enjoy some right or privilege.

**Note:** If a credit card number is fraudulently used, LEAs should report this as a 26B = Credit Card Fraud.

## Example:

In order to receive special discounts from a business an individual put on a military uniform and enters the business. The individual is not a military service member and uses the fake uniform with the purpose of impersonating a service member to receive a discount.

## **26D Welfare Fraud**

## The use of deceitful statements, practices, or devices to unlawfully obtain welfare benefits.

Includes electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card when utilized with a welfare transaction.

## 26E Wire Fraud

The use of an electric or electronic communications facility to intentionally transmit a false and/or deceptive message in furtherance of a fraudulent activity.

This classification applies to those cases where telephone, teletype, computers, e-mail, text messages, etc., are used in the commission or furtherance of a fraud. For example, if someone uses a computer to order products through a fraudulent online auction site and pays for the products but never receives them, LEAs should classify the incident as 26E = Wire Fraud.

## **26F Identity Theft**

# Wrongfully obtaining and/or using another person's personal data (e.g., name and date of birth, Social Security number, driver's license number).

This offense includes opening a credit card, bank account, etc. using a person's information.

This offense should not be confused with Impersonation (26C) (falsely acting in the character or position to unlawfully deceive others to gain a profit or advantage; when impersonating another person, the offender would not be in possession of another person's personal data).

### **26G Hacking/Computer Invasion**

Gaining access to another person's or institution's computer software, hardware, or networks without authorized permissions.

#### **26H Money Laundering\***

The process of transforming the profits of a crime into a legitimate asset.

Money Laundering is a Crime Against Society with Property.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 26H Money Laundering.

#### 49A – 49C Fugitive Offenses\*

#### 49A Harboring Escapee/Concealing from Arrest\*

To harbor or conceal any person for whose arrest, a warrant or process has been issued, so as to prevent the fugitive's discovery and arrest, after having notice or knowledge that a warrant or process has been issued for the fugitive's apprehension.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 49A Harboring Escapee/Concealing from Arrest.

### **49B Flight to Avoid Prosecution\***

To knowingly leave the jurisdiction where charges were filed with intent to avoid prosecution, custody, confinement, or to avoid giving testimony in any criminal proceedings.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 49B Flight to Avoid Prosecution.

### **49C Flight to Avoid Deportation\***

To knowingly leave the jurisdiction with intent to avoid deportation.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 49C Flight to Avoid Deportation.

#### **39A – 39D Gambling Offenses**

To unlawfully bet or wager money or something else of value; assist, promote, or operate a game of chance for money or some other stake; possess or transmit wagering information; manufacture, sell, purchase, possess, or transport gambling equipment, devices, or goods; or tamper with the outcome of a sporting event or contest to gain a gambling advantage.

While explicit definitions are provided for most Group A crimes, some crimes, such as Gambling Offenses, depend on the violation of locally established statutes. For example, in those areas of the nation where gambling is legal, agencies should report gambling offenses only if they violate the statutes of the jurisdiction.

If a seizure is involved, the reporting agency must enter the type of property seized, e.g., money or gambling equipment, in Data Element 15 (Property Description) and its value in Data Element 16 (Value of Property).

#### **39A Betting/Wagering**

To unlawfully stake money or something else of value on the happening of an uncertain event or on the ascertainment of a fact in dispute.

#### **39B Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling**

To unlawfully operate, promote, or assist in the operation of a game of chance, lottery, or other gambling activity.

This offense includes bookmaking, numbers running, transmitting wagering information, etc.

## **39C Gambling Equipment Violations**

To unlawfully manufacture, sell, buy, possess, or transport equipment, devices, and/or goods used for gambling purposes.

Gambling paraphernalia is another name for such equipment.

Agencies must enter the type of activity (namely manufacturing, selling, buying, possessing, or transporting) in Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information).

## **39D Sports Tampering**

# To unlawfully alter, meddle in, or otherwise interfere with a sporting contest or event for the purpose of gaining a gambling advantage.

This offense includes engaging in Bribery for gambling purposes. For example, if an offender bribed a jockey to lose a horse race, the agency must report the offense as Sports Tampering, not Bribery.

#### 09A – 09C Homicide Offenses

#### The killing of one human being by another.

LEAs should report the circumstances of a homicide in Data Element 31 (Aggravated Assault/Homicide Circumstances).

#### 09A Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter

#### The willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another.

As a general rule, agencies should classify in this category any death due to injuries received in a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, or commission of a crime. Although law enforcement agencies may charge offenders with lesser offenses, e.g., negligent manslaughter, agencies should report the offense as murder and nonnegligent manslaughter if the killing was willful or intentional.

Agencies should not classify suicides, traffic fatalities (including those involving driving under the influence), fetal deaths, assaults to murder, attempted murders, or accidental deaths as murder and nonnegligent manslaughter.

Situations in which a victim dies of a heart attack as a result of a crime being committed against them do not meet the criteria for inclusion as murder and nonnegligent manslaughter.

**Note:** The findings of a court, coroner's inquest, etc., should not influence the reporting of offenses in this category.

#### **09B Negligent Manslaughter**

#### The killing of another person through gross negligence.

Killings resulting from hunting accidents, gun cleaning, children playing with guns, and traffic accidents associated with driving under the influence, distracted driving (using a cell/smartphone), and reckless driving traffic fatalities.

**Note:** It does not include deaths of persons due to their own negligence, accidental deaths not resulting from gross negligence, and accidental traffic fatalities.

### **09C Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime)**

The killing of a perpetrator of a serious criminal offense by a law enforcement officer in the line of duty, or the killing, during the commission of a serious criminal offense, of the offender by a private individual.

Justifiable Homicide, by definition, always occurs in conjunction with a serious criminal offense (i.e., a felony or high misdemeanor). Agencies must report the crime that was being committed when the Justifiable Homicide took place as a separate incident. The definition of an incident requires all offenders to act in concert. Certainly, the criminal killed justifiably did not act in concert with the police officer or civilian who killed him; likewise, the police officer or civilian who killed the criminal did not act in concert with the criminal in committing the offense that resulted in the Justifiable Homicide. Therefore, Justifiable Homicide cases involve at least two incidents rather than one. If the "justified" killer committed another offense in connection with the Justifiable Homicide (e.g., illegal possession of the gun he/she used), the LEA should report a third incident.

LE must report the additional circumstances regarding a Justifiable Homicide in Data Element 32 (Additional Justifiable Homicide Circumstances).

#### 64A – 64B Human Trafficking Offenses

The inducement of a person to perform a commercial sex act, or labor, or services, through force, fraud, or coercion.

Human trafficking has also occurred if a person under 18 years of age has been induced, or enticed, regardless of force, fraud, or coercion, to perform a commercial sex act.

## 64A Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts

Inducing a person by force, fraud, or coercion to participate in commercial sex acts, or in which the person induced to perform such act(s) has not attained 18 years of age.

All juveniles should be considered a victim of human trafficking if considered to be induced to perform commercial sex acts.

Human trafficking involves "exploitation" of the individual. Not every human trafficking incident should be based on the commercial sex act alone.

Survival sex is counted (Sex acts for food, shelter, etc.).

## 64B Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude

The obtaining of person(s) through recruitment, harboring, transportation, or provision, and subjecting such persons by force, fraud, or coercion into involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery (not to include commercial sex acts).

### **30A – 30D Immigration Violations**

### **30A Illegal Entry into the United States\***

# To attempt to enter the U.S. at any time or place other than as designated; or eludes examination/inspection by immigration officers.

Immigration Violation Illegal Entry into the United States is a Crime Against Society.

Note: Only federal LEA may report 30A Illegal Entry into the United States.

#### **30B False Citizenship\***

Falsely and willfully representing oneself to be a citizen of the United States.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 30B False Citizenship.

#### **30C Smuggling Aliens\***

To knowingly assist, abet, or aid another person to enter, or try to enter, the United States illegally.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 30C Smuggling Aliens.

#### **30D Re-entry after Deportation\***

The act of entering, attempting to enter, or being found in the United States after being removed, excluded, deported, or has departed the United States while an order of removal exclusion or deportation is outstanding.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 30D Re-entry after Deportation.

## **100 Kidnapping/Abduction**

# The unlawful seizure, transportation, and/or detention of a person against his/her will or of a minor without the consent of his/her custodial parent(s) or legal guardian.

Kidnapping/Abduction includes hostage and parental abduction situations as well. This offense is the only Crime Against Person for which LEAs must report property information. In such cases, the property segment is necessary to report information regarding any ransom paid for the victim's release. Although the object of a kidnapping may be to obtain money or property, LEAs may only report the persons actually kidnapped, abducted, or detained against their will as victims for this offense type. Those persons or organizations paying ransoms must not be counted as victims for Kidnapping/Abduction offenses.

**Note:** If no ransom is paid, Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.) Must be reported as 1 = None.

## 23A – 23H Larceny/Theft Offenses

# The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another person.

Larceny and Theft mean the same thing in the UCR Program. Local offense classifications such as grand theft, petty larceny, felony larceny, or misdemeanor larceny have no bearing on the fact that LEAs should report one offense for each distinct operation of such larcenies for UCR purposes, regardless of the value of the property stolen.

When multiple types of Larceny/Theft occur within a single incident, agencies should report all types of Larceny/Theft involved. LEAs should report multiple Larceny/Theft offenses because these offenses are not inherent.

For example, if an individual stole a factory-installed radio valued at \$600 and a laptop computer valued at \$1,500 from a motor vehicle in the same incident, the agency should report both offenses—Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories for the radio and a Theft From Motor Vehicle for the laptop.

The FBI UCR Program does not include Motor Vehicle Theft in the Larceny/Theft offense category. Because of the great volume of such thefts, the FBI UCR Program counts these offenses separately. Also, agencies should not classify embezzlement, fraudulent conversion of entrusted property, conversion of goods lawfully possessed by a bailee, counterfeiting, obtaining money by false pretenses, larceny by check, larceny by bailee, and check fraud as Larceny offenses. Each of these crimes falls within other offense categories.

Agencies should enter the type of property that was the object of the theft in Data Element 15 (Property Description).

## 23A Pocket-picking

# The theft of articles from another person's physical possession by stealth where the victim is not immediately aware a theft occurred.

If the offender manhandled the victim in any way or used force beyond simple jostling to overcome the victim's resistance, the agency must classify the offense as a Strong-Arm Robbery.

This type of theft includes removal of such items as wallets from women's purses and men's pockets and usually occurs in a crowded area or on public transportation to disguise the activity. Agencies should also classify a theft from a person in an unconscious state, including an individual who is drunk, as Pocket-picking.

## 23B Purse-snatching

# The grabbing or snatching of a purse, handbag, etc., from the physical possession of another person.

If the offender used more force than was actually necessary to snatch the purse from the grasp of the victim, or if the victim resists the theft in any way, then classify the incident as a Strong-Arm Robbery.

If the victim left a purse or other item of value unattended in a location which was open to the general public and the item was subsequently stolen, the agency should classify the incident as 23D = Theft From Building, 23F = Theft From Motor Vehicle, or other appropriate Larceny category and not as a 23B = Purse-snatching. Purse-Snatching only applies when the victim has physical possession of the item (i.e., it is on the victim's person).

## **23C Shoplifting**

# The unlawful taking of goods or merchandise exposed for sale by a person (other than an employee).

This violation assumes the offender had legal access to the premises, and thus, no trespass or unlawful entry was involved. This offense includes thefts of merchandise displayed as part of the stock in trade outside of buildings such as department stores, hardware stores, supermarkets, and fruit stands.

## **23D Theft From Building**

# The unlawful taking of items from within a building which is either open to the general public or to which the offender has legal access.

Law enforcement should report a theft from a structure where the offender entered the structure illegally as burglary.

Theft From Building includes thefts from such places as churches, restaurants, schools, libraries, public buildings, and other public and professional offices during the hours when such facilities are open to the public. Agencies should not include Shoplifting and Thefts From Coin-Operated Machines or Devices within open buildings, but should classify these as other specific larceny types.

For example, if an individual invites another person to their home for a meal, and the other person steals something from the home during the course of the meal, the incident should be classified as Theft From Building (the guest had every right to be in the home but they stole something from the home while they were there).

## 23E Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device

# The unlawful taking of items from a machine or device that is operated or activated by the use of coins.

This includes machines or devices that accept paper money as well as those which accept coins. Examples include candy and food vending machines; telephone coin boxes; parking meters; pinball machines; or washers and dryers located in laundromats where no breaking or illegal entry of the building is involved.

If an offender breaks into a building or illegally enters a building and rifles a coin-operated machine for money and/or merchandise, law enforcement should classify this as burglary.

## 23F Theft From Motor Vehicle (except Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories)

#### The unlawful taking of articles from a motor vehicle, locked or unlocked.

This type of Larceny includes thefts from automobiles, trucks, truck trailers, buses, motorcycles, motor homes, or other recreational vehicles. It also includes thefts from any area in the automobile or other type of vehicle, e.g., the trunk, glove compartment, or other enclosure.

Some of the items stolen in this type of theft are cameras, suitcases, apparel, packages, etc., that are not an integral part of the vehicle.

Agencies should not include items considered automobile accessories, as they fall under Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories.

For Larceny situations in which offenders steal both articles from the motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts and accessories, agencies should report Theft From Motor Vehicle and Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories with each corresponding property type/loss; conversion of NIBRS data to SRS data will classify one type of larceny/theft based upon the higher loss value and combine the lesser with it.

**Note**: As stated on page 32 of the *NIBRS User Manual*, Version 1.0, dated January 17, 2013, "When multiple types of larceny/theft occur within a single incident, agencies should report all types of larceny/theft involved. LEAs should report multiple offenses because these offenses are not inherent."

Certain state statutes might interpret Thefts From Motor Vehicles as Burglaries. However, agencies must classify these offenses as larcenies for UCR purposes. If a Theft From a Motor Vehicle occurs in conjunction with a Motor Vehicle Theft, the agency will most often report the incident as a Motor Vehicle Theft and record the stolen property within the appropriate property-type categories. If, however, the reporting jurisdiction determines the real object of the theft was the contents, rather than the vehicle, it may report two offenses: the Motor Vehicle Theft and the Theft From a Motor Vehicle.

For example, if an offender stole an automobile with a coat in the back seat, the responding agency would report the offense as Motor Vehicle Theft and account for the coat as property stolen in connection with the automobile theft. Conversely, an agency could report the theft of a tractor-trailer (truck) containing a shipment of televisions as two offenses if, in the judgment of the reporting agency, the real object of the theft was the televisions, e.g., the truck was found abandoned and empty not far from the scene of the theft. In this situation, the LEA should also classify the two offenses as Cargo Theft.

## 23G Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories

The unlawful taking of any part or accessory affixed to the interior or exterior of a motor vehicle in a manner which would make the item an attachment of the vehicle or necessary for its operation.

This Larceny subcategory includes thefts of motors, transmissions, radios, heaters, hubcaps and wheel covers, manufacturers' emblems, license plates, side-view mirrors, siphoned gasoline, built-in DVD players, mounted GPS devices, catalytic converter, tires on car, etc.

If items stolen were not part of the vehicle and were only being transported in the vehicle when stolen, the reporting agency should classify the offense as Theft From Motor Vehicle.

## 23H All Other Larceny

## All thefts which do not fit any of the Larceny/Theft or specific subcategories identified in UCR.

All Other Larceny includes thefts from fenced enclosures, boats (houseboats if used for recreational purposes), and airplanes. It also includes the illegal entry of a tent, tent trailer, or travel trailer used for recreational purposes, followed by a theft or attempted theft. Examples of items stolen from areas in which the offender did not break into a structure are thefts of animals, lawnmowers, lawn furniture, hand tools, and farm and construction equipment.

Agencies should also classify instances that the offender takes gasoline from a self-service gas station and leaves without paying as All Other Larceny.

## 240 Motor Vehicle Theft

## The theft of a motor vehicle.

A motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface of land and not on rails that is not proceeds of another crime and that fits one of the following descriptions:

• Automobiles—sedans, coupes, station wagons, convertibles, taxicabs, or other similar motor vehicles serving the primary purpose of transporting people

This classification also includes minivans (which primarily transport people), automobiles used as taxis; sport-utility vehicles, such as Explorers, Highlanders, 4Runners, Pathfinders, and Hummers; and automobile derivative vehicles, such as Ranchero, El Camino, Caballero, and Brat.

- Buses—motor vehicles specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport groups of people on a commercial basis
- Recreational Vehicles—motor vehicles specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport people and provide them with temporary lodging for recreational purposes
- Trucks—motor vehicles specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport cargo on a commercial basis

Pickup trucks and pickup trucks with campers should be classified as 37 = Trucks, as they meet the definition specifically designed, but not necessarily used, to transport cargo.

• Other Motor Vehicles–other motorized vehicles, e.g., motorcycles, motor scooters, trail bikes, mopeds, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, or golf carts whose primary purpose is to transport people

Using the vehicle descriptions above, agencies should enter the type of motor vehicle in Data Element 15 (Property Description).

**Note:** LEAs should classify full-size vans, both regular wheelbase and extended wheelbase, as buses, recreational vehicles, or trucks depending upon their configuration, e.g., vans with rows of seats (buses), custom vans with temporary lodging accommodations (recreational vehicles), and work vans with primarily cargo areas (trucks).

Agencies should report incidences of carjacking as 120 = Robbery, with the type of vehicle taken (automobile, truck, etc.) identified in the property description. The offense of 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft is not to be identified as an additional offense, as the stolen motor vehicle is the proceeds of the offense of robbery, and not a separate, distinct operation. Consequently, Data Element 18 (Number of Stolen Motor Vehicles) and Data Element 19 (Number of Recovered Motor Vehicles) are not used.

When the offender takes a motor vehicle from the garage of a house during a Burglary, the LEA should report the offense as 220 = Burglary/Breaking & Entering and should identify the type of vehicle taken (automobile, truck, etc.) in the property description. The offense 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft is not to be identified as an additional offense because the stolen motor vehicle is the proceeds of the burglary, and not a separate, distinct operation. Consequently, Data Element 18 (Number of Stolen Motor Vehicles) and Data Element 19 (Number of Recovered Motor Vehicles) are not used.

Agencies should classify incidents as Motor Vehicle Theft when persons not having lawful access take automobiles even if the vehicles were later abandoned, e.g., joyriding. Agencies should not include the taking of a vehicle for temporary use when prior authority has been granted or can be assumed, such as in family situations; or unauthorized use by chauffeurs and others having lawful access to the vehicle. Other Group A offenses may have occurred in these situations. For example, if a chauffeur steals a car entrusted to his care, the responding agency should report embezzlement.

**Note:** Motor Vehicle Thefts do not include farm equipment (tractors, combines, etc.); that falls under a separate property description.

## 370 Pornography/Obscene Material

The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, publishing (publication), distributing (distribution), sale, purchase, or possession of sexually explicit material deemed legally obscene.

LEAs must enter up to three of the types of activity (manufacturing, publishing, selling, buying, or possessing) into Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information).

## 40A – 40C Prostitution Offenses

To unlawfully engage in or promote sexual activities for anything of value.

#### **40A Prostitution**

To engage in commercial sex acts for anything of value.

This offense involves prostitution by both males and females. 40B Assisting or Promoting Prostitution

To solicit customers or transport persons for prostitution purposes; to own, manage, or operate a dwelling or other establishment for the purpose of providing a place where prostitution is performed; or to otherwise assist or promote prostitution.

### **40C Purchasing Prostitution**

To purchase or trade anything of value for sex acts.

## 120 Robbery

# The taking of anything of value from the control, custody, or care of another person by force or threat of force and/or by putting the victim in fear of immediate harm.

Robbery involves the offender taking or attempting to take something of value from a victim, usually the property owner or custodian, by the use of force or threat of force. (The victim must be present.) If there is no direct confrontation and the victim is not in fear of immediate harm, LE should report Extortion. Though direct confrontation occurs in Pocket-pickings or Purse-snatchings, force or threat of force is absent. However, if during a Purse-snatching or other such crime, the offender uses force or threat of force to overcome the active resistance of the victim, LE should classify the offense as Robbery.

LE should classify cases involving pretend weapons or those in which the robber claims to possess a weapon but the victim does not see it as Robbery and report the alleged weapon. If an immediate on-view arrest proves there was no weapon, the agency should classify the offense as Robbery and report the weapon with the data value "None."

Because assault is an element of robbery, law enforcement should not report assault as a separate crime as long as the offender committed the assault in furtherance of the robbery. However, if the injury results in death, law enforcement must also report a homicide offense.

As in the case of all Crimes Against Property, LE should report only one offense for each distinct operation of Robbery, regardless of the number of victims involved. However, the victims of a Robbery include not only those persons and other entities (businesses, financial institutions, etc.) from whom property was taken (or was attempted to be taken), but also those persons toward whom the robber(s) directed force or threat of force in perpetrating the offense. Therefore, although the primary victim in a bank robbery would be the financial institution, LE should report as a victim the teller toward whom the robber committed an assault during the course of the Robbery.

LE should enter the type of weapon/force used (or threatened) and the resulting injury in Data Element 13 (Type Weapon/Force Involved) and Data Element 33 (Type Injury).

## 11A – 11D Sex Offenses

Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

## 11A Rape (except Statutory Rape)

The carnal knowledge of a person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is unable to give consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Agencies should classify the crime as Rape, regardless of the age of the victim, if the victim did not consent or if the victim was incapable of giving consent. If the victim consented, the offender did not force or threaten the victim, and the victim was under the statutory age of consent, agencies should classify the crime as statutory rape.

*Black's Law Dictionary*, 6th ed., defines *carnal knowledge* as "the act of a man having sexual bodily connections with a woman; sexual intercourse." There is *carnal knowledge* if there is the slightest penetration of the sexual organ of the female (vagina) by the sexual organ of the male (penis). However, for UCR purposes, this offense includes the rape of both males and females if at least one of the offenders is the opposite sex of the victim.

In cases where several offenders rape one person, the responding agency should count one Rape (for one victim) and report separate offender information for each offender.

## **11B Sodomy**

Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is unable to give consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

If the offender both raped and sodomized the victim in one incident, then LEAs should report both offenses.

## **11C Sexual Assault With An Object**

To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is unable to give consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

An "object" or "instrument" is anything used by the offender other than the offender's genitalia, e.g., a finger, bottle, handgun, stick.

## **11D Fondling**

The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is unable to give consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

#### 36A – 36B, 360 Sex Offenses

Unlawful sexual intercourse.

#### **36A Incest**

Nonforcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

#### **36B Statutory Rape**

#### Nonforcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

There is no force or coercion used in Statutory Rape; the act is not an attack. LEAs should classify an offense as Statutory Rape based on the state's Statutory Rape laws and the findings of the LE investigation.

#### 360 Failure to Register as a Sex Offender\*

#### To fail to register or keep current a registration as required by state and federal laws.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 360 Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

#### **280 Stolen Property Offenses**

Buying, receiving, possessing, selling, concealing, or transporting any property with the knowledge that it has been unlawfully taken, as by burglary, embezzlement, fraud, larceny, robbery, etc.

Reporting agencies must enter at least one but no more than three types of activity (receiving, buying, selling, possessing, concealing, and/or transporting) in Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information).

### 101 Treason\*

Whoever, owing allegiance to the United States, levies war against them or adheres to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort within the United States or elsewhere.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 101 Treason.

#### 520-526 Weapon Law Violations

#### **520** Weapon Law Violations

The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.

This offense includes violations such as the manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; using, manufacturing, etc., silencers; and furnishing deadly weapons to minors.

Reporting agencies should enter the type of activity (manufacturing, buying, selling, transporting, possessing, concealing, or using) in Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information) and the type of weapon in Data Element 13 (Type Weapon/Force Involved).

#### 521 Violation of National Firearms Act of 1934\*

To manufacture, import, sell, purchase, transfer, possess, or transport in interstate commerce, a firearm knowing it has the characteristics or features of a short barreled rifle or shotgun, machine gun, silencer, destructive device, or any other weapon as defined at 26 USC § 5845(a) in violation of the provisions of the National Firearms Act (generally non-tax paid, unregistered).

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 521 Violation of National Firearms Act of 1934.

## **522** Weapons of Mass Destruction\*

To knowingly violate the federal law prohibiting the unlawful use, attempted use, conspiracy to use, or use of interstate travel or facilities in furtherance of the use of a weapon of mass destruction as defined by federal law.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 522 Weapons of Mass Destruction.

#### 526 Explosives\*

To knowingly violate the federal law prohibiting the manufacture, importation, sale, purchases, transfer, possession, unlawful use, intra or interstate transportation, or improper storage of any chemical compound mixture the primary or common purpose of which is to function by explosion including explosive materials or any explosive bomb, rocket, grenade, missile, or similar device, or any incendiary bomb or grenade, fire bomb, or "Molotov cocktail".

Explosives is a Crime Against Society with Property. The offense should follow the same rules as Weapons Law Violations (520) but also contain a property segment.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 526 Explosives.

## Group B Offenses

There are 10 Group B crime categories encompassing offenses not considered Group A offenses. The offense categories listed below are in alphabetical order. Each entry includes the following information:

- NIBRS offense code, offense name.
- Definition.
- Considerations and examples (as appropriate).

#### 90B Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations

The violation of a court order, regulation, ordinance, or law requiring the withdrawal of persons from the streets or other specified areas; prohibiting persons from remaining in an area or place in an idle or aimless manner; or prohibiting persons from going from place to place without a visible means of support.

This offense includes begging, vagabondage, and panhandling, etc.

## **90C Disorderly Conduct**

# Any behavior that tends to disturb the public peace or decorum, scandalize the community, or shock the public sense of morality.

This offense includes affray (when not physical), blasphemy, profanity, obscene language, disturbing the peace, indecent exposure, loud music, and public nuisance.

## **90D Driving Under the Influence**

Driving or operating a motor vehicle or common carrier while mentally or physically impaired as the result of consuming an alcoholic beverage or using a drug or narcotic.

This offense includes driving while intoxicated and operating an airplane, boat, bus, streetcar, train, etc., while under the influence.

### 90F Family Offenses, Nonviolent

Unlawful, nonviolent acts by a family member (or legal guardian) that threaten the physical, mental, or economic well-being or morals of another family member and that are not classifiable as other offenses such as assault, incest, and statutory rape.

Nonviolent Family Offenses include abandonment, desertion, neglect, nonsupport, nonviolent abuse, and nonviolent cruelty to other family members. This category also includes the nonpayment of court-ordered alimony (i.e., considered to be contempt of court) within the reporting jurisdiction.

Agencies should not include the victims of these offenses taken into custody for their own protection.

#### 90G Liquor Law Violations (except Driving Under the Influence)

# The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages.

Liquor law violations include violation of laws/ordinances prohibiting the maintenance of unlawful drinking places; operating without a liquor license; underage drinking; furnishing liquor to a minor; bootlegging; operating a still; using a vehicle for the illegal transportation of liquor; etc.

### **90J Trespass of Real Property**

#### To unlawfully enter land, a dwelling, or other real property.

All Burglary offenses include the element of trespass. Trespassing, however, involves entry with no intent to commit a felony or theft.

#### 90K Bond Default\*

#### The failure to appear in court without a satisfactory excuse, after bond has been set.

The judge sets the bond and determines what is or is not a satisfactory excuse for failing to appear in court.

Note: Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 90K Bond Default.

#### **90L Federal Resource Violations\***

To unlawfully and intentionally damage or destruct national resources including those protected under any Act intended to preserve or protect the national's environmental, natural, cultural, or historically significant resources.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 90L Federal Resource Violations.

#### 90M Perjury\*

To knowingly or intentionally communicate or certify an untruth through testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate before a competent tribunal, officer, or person in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered.

**Note:** Only federal and tribal LEAs may report 90M Perjury.

#### **90Z All Other Offenses**

# All crimes that are not Group A offenses and not included in one of the specifically named Group B crime categories listed previously.

This category includes Offenses of General Applicability if the substantive offense is a Group A offense unless it is an integral component of the Group A offense such as human trafficking. Offenses of General Applicability are those offenses prefixed by Accessory Before/After the Fact, Aiding and Abetting, Assault to Commit, Conspiracy to Commit, Enticement, Facilitation of, Solicitation to Commit, Threat to Commit, or any other prefix identifying it as other than the substantive offense.

Generally, this category excludes traffic offenses. However, the vehicle-related offenses of Hit and Run (of a person) and Vehicular Manslaughter, along with Driving Under the Influence, which is a separate Group B offense, have their own categories. Hit and Run (of a person) and Vehicular Manslaughter incidents could be Group A or Group B offenses depending on the circumstances of the incidents. Driving Under the Influence offenses should be classified as the Group B offense of 90D = Driving Under the Influence.

## 2.5 Offense Lookup Table

Once LE has classified offenses involved in an incident according to its own offense definitions, they should use the Offense Lookup Table to determine whether the offenses are Group A or Group B offenses in NIBRS. The Offense Lookup Table lists various types of crime, whether the crime is a Group A or Group B offense, and the NIBRS crime category covering the offense. For example, the crime of Abduction is listed as a Group A offense covered by the crime category Kidnapping/Abduction. In addition, the table includes the notational reminder "Other offenses may have been committed" for crimes most likely to involve companion offenses.

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

<u>- A -</u>			
Abandonment	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Abduction	А	Human Trafficking or	64A, 64B, or
		Kidnapping/Abduction	100
Abortion	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Abuse, Nonviolent	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent or All	90F or 90Z
		Other Offenses	
Accessory After the Fact	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is	90Z or Other (Group
		involved, as Group B offense if	B) Offense
		Group B offense is involved or 49A	(Depends on
		Harboring Escapee/Concealing	circumstances) or 49A
		from Arrest*	
Accessory Before the Fact	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense	90Z or Other (Group
		involved or as substantive offense	B) Offense
		if Group B offense involved	
Accosting	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Adulterated Food, Drugs, or	A or B	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z or Other (Group
Cosmetics		may have been committed, e.g.,	B) Offense
		Homicide, Aggravated or Simple	(Depends on
		Assault, or Fraud)	circumstances)
Adultery	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Affray	A or B	Assault Offenses or	13A, 13B, 13C, or 90C
		Disorderly Conduct	

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	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Aiding and Abetting	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is involved unless it is an integral component of the Group A offense such as Human Trafficking or as Group B offense is Group B offense is involved or 49A Harboring Escapee/Concealing from Arrest*	64A, 64B, 90Z, or Other (Group B) Offense (Depends on circumstances) or 49A
Aiding Prisoner to Escape	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Air Piracy/Hijacking	A	Classify as substantive offense, e.g., Kidnapping/Abduction or Robbery	Depends on circumstances
Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Laws	A or B	Liquor Law Violations or Commerce Violations*	90G, 61A
Antitrust Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Arson	А	Arson	200
Assault	А	Assault Offenses	13A, 13B, or 13C
Assault, Aggravated	A	Assault Offenses (Aggravated Assault)	13A
Assault and Battery	A	Assault Offenses (Aggravated Assault or Simple Assault)	13A or 13B
Assault, Minor	А	Assault Offenses (Simple Assault)	13B
Assault, Sexual	A	Rape, Sodomy, Fondling, Sexual Assault With An Object, or Statutory Rape	Depends on circumstances
Assault, Simple	А	Assault Offenses (Simple Assault)	13B
Assembly, Unlawful	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Automated Teller Machine Fraud	A	Fraud Offenses (Credit Card/ Automated Teller Machine Fraud)	26B

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В			
Battery	А	Assault Offenses (Aggravated	13A or 13B
		Assault or Simple Assault)	
Begging	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy	90B
		Violations	
Bestiality	А	Animal Cruelty	720
Betting, Unlawful	А	Gambling Offenses (Betting	39A
		Wagering)	
Bigamy	В	All Other Offenses	90Z

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
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Blackmail	А	Extortion/Blackmail or Robbery if	210 or 120
		during a demand for money,	
		property, etc., the offender	
		confronts the victim and threatens	
		imminent violence	
Blasphemy	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Blue Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Boating Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Bomb Threat	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Bombing Offenses	А	Classify same as substantive	Depends on
		offense, e.g., Homicide, Aggravated	circumstances
		or Simple Assault, Destruction/	
		Damage/Vandalism of Property, or	
		Weapon Law Violations	
Bookmaking	А	Gambling Offenses (Operating/	39B
		Promoting/Assisting Gambling)	
Breaking and Entering (B&E)	А	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220
Bribery	А	Bribery	510
Bribery, Sports	А	Gambling Offenses (Sports	39D
		Tampering)	
Burglary	А	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220
Burglary Tools, Possessing	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Buying Stolen Property	А	Stolen Property Offenses	280

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Canvassing, Illegal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Card Game, Unlawful	A	Gambling Offenses (Betting/ Wagering)	39A
Cargo Theft	A	Classify same as substantive offense e.g., Robbery, Motor Vehicle Theft, etc., then use Data Element 2A to indicate the offense was Cargo Theft	Depends on circumstances
Carjacking	А	Robbery	120
Carrying Concealed Weapon	A	Weapon Law Violations or Violation of National Firearms Act of 1934*	520 or 521
Checks, Fraudulent	A	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/ Swindle/Confidence Game or Other Offenses, e.g., Counterfeiting/ Forgery	26A, 250

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Child Abuse Negurialant	В	Family Offenses Nervialent	005
Child Abuse, Nonviolent		Family Offenses, Nonviolent Assault Offenses	90F
Child Abuse, Violent	A		13A, 13B, or 13C
Child Cruelty, Nonviolent	B	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Child Cruelty, Violent	A	Assault Offenses	13A, 13B, or 13C
Child Molesting	A	Sex Offenses (Fondling) or Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	11D or 64A
Child Neglect	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Civil Rights Violations	A or B	Human Trafficking, All Other	64A, 64B, 90Z, or
	A OI D	Offenses, or Other Group A	Other Offenses
		Offenses (Report predicate	(Depends on
		offenses, e.g., Arson, Murder,	circumstances)
		Aggravated Assault)	circumstances
Combinations in Restraint of	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Trade			502
Commercialized Sex	A or B	Human Trafficking, Prostitution	64A, 40A, 40B, 40C,
		Offenses, Pornography/Obscene	370, or 90Z
		Material, or All Other Offenses	
Commercialized Vice	A or B	Human Trafficking, Prostitution	64A, 40A, 40B, 40C,
		Offenses, Gambling Offenses,	370, 39A, 39B, 39C,
		Pornography/Obscene Material, or	39D, or 90Z
		All Other Offenses	
Compounding a Felony or Misdemeanor	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Computer Crime	A or B	Classify same as substantive	Depends on
		offense, e.g., Larceny/Theft,	circumstances
		Embezzlement, or Fraud Offenses	
Concealed Weapon	А	Weapon Law Violations or	520 or 521
·		Violation of National Firearm Act	
		of 1934*	
Conditional Release Violation	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Confidence Game	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
		Swindle/Confidence Game)	
Conflict of Interest	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Consensual Sodomy	A or B	All Other Offenses	90Z or 36B
Conservation (Environment	A or B	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of	290 or 90Z
or Ecology) Laws		Property or All Other Offenses	
Conspiracy to Commit	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is	90Z or Other (Group
		involved or as Group B offense if	B) Offense
		Group B offense is involved	, (Depends on
			circumstances)
Contempt of Court	В	All Other Offenses	90Z

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Contract Fraud	A	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/ Swindle/Confidence Game) or Human Trafficking	26A, 64A, or 64B
Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor	A or B	Human Trafficking or All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Pornography/ Obscene Material, Prostitution, or Liquor Law Violations)	64A or 90Z (Depends on circumstances)
Conversion	А	Embezzlement	270
Corrupt Conduct by Juror	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Bribery or False Statement)	Depends on circumstances
Counterfeiting	A	Counterfeiting/Forgery	250
Credit Card Fraud	A	Fraud Offenses (Credit Card/ Automated Teller Machine Fraud)	26B
Criminal Defamation	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Criminal Libel	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Criminal Slander	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Cruelty to Animal(s)	А	Animal Cruelty	720
Cruelty to Children, Nonviolent	A or B	Assault Offenses (Intimidation), Family Offenses, Nonviolent, or All Other Offenses	13C, 90F, or 90Z
Cruelty to Children, Violent	A	Assault Offenses	13A, 13B, or 13C
Curfew Violations	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	90B

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Damage Property	A	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	290
Deception	A	Fraud Offenses or Human Trafficking	26A, 26B, 26C, 26D, 26E, 26F, 26G, 64A, or 64B
Defamation, Criminal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Desecrating the Flag	-	(Not a criminal offense)	
Desertion (familial)	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Destroying Evidence	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Detention, Forcible	A	Human Trafficking or Kidnapping/Abduction	64A, 64B, or 100
Detention, Unlawful	A	Human Trafficking or Kidnapping/Abduction	64A, 64B, or 100

Offense	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Dice Game, Unlawful	A	Gambling Offenses (Betting/ Wagering)	39A
Disinterment, Unlawful	A or B	All Other Offenses	90Z, 13B, or 13C
Disorderly Conduct	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Disturbing the Peace	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Driving Under the Influence (DUI)	В	Driving Under the Influence	09B or 90D
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	В	Driving Under the Influence	09B or 90D
Drug Equipment Violations	A	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug Equipment Violations)	35B
Drug Offenses	A	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug/Narcotic Violations)	35A
Drug Paraphernalia Offenses	A	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug Equipment Violations)	35B

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Eavesdropping	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Ecology Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Election Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Embezzlement	А	Embezzlement	270
Enticement	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is	100, 64A, 64B, 90Z, or
		involved unless it is an integral	Other (Group B)
		component of the Group A offense	Offense (Depends on
		such as Human Trafficking or as	circumstances)
		Group B offense is Group B offense	
		is involved	
Entry, Forcible	A or B	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220 or 90J
Entry, Non-Forcible	A or B	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220 or 90J
Entry, Unlawful	A or B	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220 or 90J
Environment Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z or 90L
Equipment, Drug	А	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug	35B
		Equipment Violations)	
Equipment, Gambling	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
		Equipment Violations)	
Escape (Flight)	A or B	All Other Offenses or Fugitive Offenses*	90Z, 49B, 49C

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Espionage*	A	All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Burglary or Larceny/Theft) or Espionage Offenses*	103
Explosives*	A	Classify same as substantive offense, e.g., Homicide, Aggravated or Simple Assault, Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism of Property, Explosives*, Weapon Law Violations	Depends on circumstances
Extortion	A	Human Trafficking or Extortion/Blackmail	64A, 64B, or 210

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Facilitation of	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is involved unless it is an integral component of the Group A offense such as Human Trafficking or as Group B offense is Group B offense is involved	64A, 64B, 90Z, or Other (Group B) Offense (Depends on circumstances)
Failure to Appear*	В	All Other Offenses or Failure to Appear*	90Z or 90K
False Arrest	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
False Citizenship*	A or B	All Other Offenses or False Citizenship*	90Z or 30B
False Fire Alarm	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
False Pretenses	A	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/ Swindle/Confidence Game) or Human Trafficking	26A, 64A, or 64B
False Report or Statement (furtherance of a criminal activity)	A	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/ Swindle/Confidence Game, Impersonation, Welfare Fraud)	26A, 26C, 26D, 26F, 26G
False Report or Statement (lying about something; e.g., misrepresenting something on a form)	В	All Other Offenses	30B or 90Z
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Family Offenses, Violent	A	Classify same as substantive offense, e.g., Assault Offenses, Homicide Offenses, Sex Offenses	Depends on circumstances

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Firearms Violations	А	Weapon Law Violations (Other	Depends on
		offenses may have been	circumstances
		committed, e.g., Aggravated	
		Assault, Robbery, Disorderly	
		Conduct)	
Fish and Game Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Flight to Avoid Confinement,	В	All Other Offenses	90Z or 49B
Custody, Giving Testimony, or			
Prosecution			
Fondling	А	Sex Offenses (Fondling)	11D or 13B
Forcible Detention	А	Human Trafficking or	64A, 64B, or 100
		Kidnapping/Abduction	
Forcible Entry	A or B	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220 or 90J
Forgery	А	Counterfeiting/Forgery	250
Fornication (Consensual)	A or B	All Other Offenses	36B or 90Z
Fraud	А	Fraud Offenses or Human	26A–26G, 64A, or 64B
		Trafficking	
Fraud, Automated Teller	А	Fraud Offenses (Credit Card/	26B
Machine (ATM)		Automated Teller Machine Fraud)	
Fraud, Contract	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
		Swindle/Confidence Game)	
Fraud, Credit Card	А	Fraud Offenses (Credit Card/	26B
		Automated Teller Machine Fraud)	
Fraud, Hacking/Computer	А	Fraud Offenses	26G
Invasion		(Hacking/Computer Invasion	
Fraud, Identity Theft	А	Fraud Offenses	26F
Fraud, Mail	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
		Swindle/Confidence Game)	
Fraud, Procurement	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
		Swindle/Confidence Game)	
Fraud, Telephone	А	Fraud Offenses (Wire Fraud)	26E
Fraud, Welfare	А	Fraud Offenses (Welfare Fraud)	26D
Fraud, Wire	А	Fraud Offenses (Wire Fraud)	26E
Frequenting a House of	А	Prostitution Offenses (Purchasing	40C or 64A
Prostitution		Prostitution) or Human Trafficking	
		(Commercial Sex Acts)	
Fugitive	A or B	All Other Offenses, Harboring	90Z, 49A, 49B, or 49C
		Escapee/Concealing from Arrest*,	
		Flight to Avoid Prosecution*, Flight	
		to Avoid Deportation*	

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

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Gambling	А	Gambling Offenses	39A-39D
Gambling Devices Offenses	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
		Equipment Violations)	
Gambling Equipment	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
Offenses		Equipment Violations)	
Gambling Goods, Possession	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
of		Equipment Violations)	
Gambling Paraphernalia,	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
Possession of		Equipment Violations)	
Gaming Offenses	А	Gambling Offenses (Betting/	39A-39C
		Wagering, Operating/Promoting/	
		Assisting Gambling, Gambling	
		Equipment Violations)	

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Harassment	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Harboring	A or B	All Other Offenses or Harboring	90Z or 49A
		Escapee/Concealing from Arrest*	
Hate Crime	А	Classify same as substantive	Depends on
		offense, e.g., Assault, Murder,	circumstances
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of	
		Property then use Data Element	
		8A to specify bias motivation	
Health and Safety Laws	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z
(Adulterated Food, Drugs, or		may have been committed, e.g.,	
Cosmetics)		Homicide, Aggravated or Simple	
		Assault, or Fraud)	
Hijacking-Air Piracy	А	Classify as substantive offense,	Depends on
		e.g., Kidnapping/Abduction or	circumstances
		Robbery	
Hit and Run (Of a Person)	A or B	Assault Offenses (Aggravated	13A, 09A, or 90Z
		Assault) or Homicide Offenses	
		(Murder and Nonnegligent	
		Manslaughter), if not accidental, or	
		All Other Offenses, if accidental	
Homicide	А	Homicide Offenses (Murder and	09A or 09B
		Nonnegligent Manslaughter or	
		Negligent Manslaughter)	

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Homicide, Justifiable	А	Homicide Offenses (Justifiable Homicide)	09C
Hostage-Taking	А	Kidnapping/Abduction	100
House of Prostitution, Frequenting a	A	Prostitution Offenses (Purchasing Prostitution) or Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	40C or 64A
House of Prostitution, Operating a	A	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or Promoting Prostitution) or Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	40B or 64A
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	A	Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	64A
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	A	Human Trafficking (Involuntary Servitude)	64B

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Immigration Law Violations (Illegal Alien Entry, False Citizenship, Smuggling Alien, etc.)	A or B	Human Trafficking, All Other Offenses, or Immigration Violations*	64A, 64B, 90Z, 30A, 30B, 30C, 30D
Impersonation	А	Fraud Offenses (Impersonation) or Human Trafficking	26C, 26F, 64A, or 64B
Incendiary Device Offenses	A	Classify same as substantive offenses committed, e.g., Arson, Homicide, Aggravated or Simple Assault, Weapon Law Violations, or Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	Depends on circumstances
Incest	A	Sex Offenses	36A
Indecent Exposure	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Indecent Liberties	А	Sex Offenses (Fondling)	11D
Influence Peddling	А	Bribery	510
Intimidation	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Invasion of Privacy	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Involuntary Manslaughter	A	Homicide Offenses (Negligent Manslaughter)	09B

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

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Joyriding	А	Motor Vehicle Theft	240
Jury Tampering	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Bribery, Extortion/Blackmail, or Intimidation)	90Z
Justifiable Homicide (not a crime)	A	Homicide Offenses (Justifiable Homicide)	09C

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Kickback	А	Bribery	510
Kidnapping	А	Human Trafficking or	64A, 64B, or 100
		Kidnapping/Abduction	
Kidnapping, Parental	А	Kidnapping/Abduction	100
Killing	А	Homicide Offenses (Murder and	09A, 09B, 09C
		Nonnegligent Manslaughter)	

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Larceny	А	Larceny/Theft Offenses	23A–23H
Libel, Criminal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Liquor Law Violations	A or B	Liquor Law Violations or Commerce Violations*	90G, 61A
Littering	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Loitering	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	90B
Looting	A	Burglary/Breaking and Entering or Larceny/Theft Offenses, as appropriate	Depends on circumstances
Lottery, Unlawful	A	Gambling Offenses (Betting/ Wagering)	39A

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Mail Fraud	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
Malicious Mischief	A	Swindle/Confidence Game) Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of	290
	~	Property	250
Mandatory Release Violation	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Manslaughter, Negligent	А	Homicide Offenses	09B
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	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Manslaughter, Nonnegligent	А	Homicide Offenses (Murder and	09A
		Nonnegligent Manslaughter)	
Manslaughter, Vehicular	A or B	Homicide Offenses (Murder and	09A or 90Z
		Nonnegligent Manslaughter), if	
		intentional, or All Other Offenses,	
		if not intentional	
Military Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
(AWOL, Desertion, etc.)			
Minor Assault	А	Assault Offenses (Simple Assault)	13B, 64A, or 64B
		or Human Trafficking	
Misappropriation	А	Embezzlement	270
Missing Person	-	(Not a criminal offense)	
Molesting, Child	А	Sex Offenses (Fondling) or Human	11D or 64A
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Monopoly in Restraint of	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Trade			
Moonshining	A or B	Liquor Law Violations or	90G, 61A
		Commerce Violations*	
Motor Vehicle Theft	А	Motor Vehicle Theft	240
Murder	А	Homicide Offenses (Murder and	09A
		Nonnegligent Manslaughter)	

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Narcotic Offenses	А	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug/Narcotic Violations)	35A
Neglect of Family	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Negligent Manslaughter	A	Homicide Offenses (Negligent Manslaughter)	09B
Nonpayment of Alimony	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent (includes Contempt of Court for Nonpayment of Alimony)	90F
Nonsupport	В	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F
Numbers	A	Gambling Offenses (Betting/ Wagering)	39A

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Obscene Communication	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Obscene Language, Use of	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Obscene Material	А	Pornography/Obscene Material	370

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Obscene Telephone Call	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Obstructing Criminal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Investigation			
Obstructing Justice	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Obstructing Police Officer(s)	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Operating a House of	А	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B or 64A
Prostitution		Promoting Prostitution) or Human	
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	

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Pandering	А	Prostitution Offenses or Human	40B or 64A
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Paraphernalia Offenses, Drug	А	Drug/Narcotic Offenses	35B
Paraphernalia Offenses,	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
Gambling		Equipment Violations)	
Parental Kidnapping	А	Kidnapping/Abduction	100
Parole Violation	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Patronizing a House of	А	Prostitution Offenses (Purchasing	40C or 64A
Prostitution		Prostitution) or Human Trafficking	
		(Commercial Sex Acts)	
Patronizing a Prostitute	A	Prostitution Offenses (Purchasing	40C or 64A
		Prostitution) or Human Trafficking	
		(Commercial Sex Acts)	
Perjury	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z or 90M
		may have been committed, e.g.,	
		Bribery) or Perjury*	
Perjury, Subornation of	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z
		may have been committed, e.g.,	
		Bribery, Extortion/Blackmail, or	
		Intimidation)	
Pickpocket	А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Pocket-	23A
		picking)	
Pimping	A	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B or 64A
		Promoting Prostitution) or Human	
	ļ	Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Pocket-picking	A	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Pocket-	23A
		picking)	
Polygamy	В	All Other Offenses	90Z

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Pornography	А	Human Trafficking (Commercial	64A or 370
		Sex Acts) or Pornography/Obscene	
		Material	
Possession of Burglary Tools	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Possession of Drug	А	Drug/Narcotic Offenses (Drug	35B
Equipment		Equipment Violations)	
Possession of Gambling	А	Gambling Offenses (Gambling	39C
Equipment		Equipment Violations)	
Possession of Stolen Property	А	Stolen Property Offenses	280
Privacy, Invasion of	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Probation Violation	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Procurement Fraud	А	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses/	26A
		Swindle/Confidence Game)	
Procuring for Prostitution	А	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B or 64A
		Promoting Prostitution) or Human	
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Profanity	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Prostitution	А	Prostitution Offenses (Prostitution)	40A or 64A
		or Human Trafficking (Commercial	
		Sex Acts)	
Prostitution, Soliciting for	А	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B, 40C, or 64A
		Promoting Prostitution or	
		Purchasing Prostitution) or Human	
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Prostitution, Transporting	А	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B or 64A
Persons for		Promoting Prostitution) or Human	
		Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts)	
Prowler	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Public Nuisance	В	Disorderly Conduct	90C
Purse-snatching	А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Purse-	23B
		snatching)	

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Quarantine, Violation ofBAll Other Offenses90Z	

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Racketeering Influenced and	A or B	(Report predicate offenses, e.g.,	Depends on
Corrupt Organizations (RICO)		Arson, Aggravated Assault,	circumstances
		Extortion/Blackmail, or Human	
		Trafficking)	

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Racketeering	A or B	(Classify same as substantive	Depends on
		offenses, e.g., Bribery,	circumstances
		Extortion/Blackmail, Human	
		Trafficking, or Larceny/Theft	
		Offenses)	
Rape	А	Sex Offenses (Rape)	11A
Rape By Instrumentation	А	Sex Offenses (Sexual Assault With	11C
		An Object)	
Rape, Statutory	А	Sex Offenses (Statutory Rape)	36B
Receiving Stolen Property	А	Stolen Property Offenses	280
Reckless Endangerment	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Reckless Manslaughter (Non-	А	Homicide Offenses (Negligent	09B
Vehicular)		Manslaughter)	
Reckless Operation of Aircraft	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Release Violation,	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Conditional			
Release Violation, Mandatory	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Resisting Officer	А	Assault Offenses (Aggravated	13A or 13B
		Assault or Simple Assault)	
Restraint, Unlawful	А	Human Trafficking or Kidnapping/	64A, 64B, or 100
		Abduction	
Revenue Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Riot	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy	90Z
		Violations (Other offenses may	
		have been committed, e.g., Arson	
		or Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	
		of Property)	
Robbery	А	Robbery	120
Rout	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z
		may have been committed)	

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Sabotage	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses	90Z
		may have been committed, e.g.,	
		Arson or Destruction/Damage/	
		Vandalism of Property.)	

Offense A or B category and notes: Offense	ode

Sanitation Law Violations	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Scalping, Ticket(s)	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Sedition	B	All Other Offenses	90Z
Seduction	A or B	Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts), All Other Offenses	64A, 90Z
Sex, Commercialized	A or B	Human Trafficking (Commercial Sex Acts), Prostitution Offenses, Pornography/Obscene Material, or All Other Offenses	64A, 40A, 370, or 90Z (Depends on circumstances)
Sex Offenses	A	Sex Offenses (Rape, Sodomy, Sexual Assault With An Object, or Fondling)	11A–11D
Sex Offenses	А	Sex Offenses (Incest or Statutory Rape)	36A or 36B
Sexual Assault With An Object	A	Sex Offenses (Sexual Assault With An Object)	11C
Shoplifting	A	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Shoplifting)	23C
Simple Assault	А	Assault Offenses (Simple Assault)	13B
Slander, Criminal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Smuggling, Alien	A or B	Human Trafficking, All Other Offenses or Immigration Violations*	64A, 64B, 90Z. 30A, 30B, 30C, 30D
Smuggling, Contraband	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Drug/Narcotic Offenses)	90Z
Sodomy	A	Sex Offenses (Sodomy)	11B
Solicitation to Commit Felony	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is involved unless it is an integral component of the Group A offense such as Human Trafficking or as Group B offense if Group B offense is involved	64A, 64B, 90Z, or Other (Group B) Offense (Depends on circumstances)
Stalking	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Stolen Property—Buying, Receiving, or Possessing	A	Stolen Property Offenses	280

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Stripping Motor Vehicle	A	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories)	23G
Strong-arm Robbery	А	Robbery	120
Subornation of Perjury	В	All Other Offenses (Other offenses may have been committed, e.g., Bribery, Extortion/Blackmail, or Intimidation)	90Z
Suicide	-	(Not a criminal offense)	
Suspicion	-	(Not a criminal offense)	
Swindle	A	Fraud Offenses or Human Trafficking	26A, 64A, or 64B

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A or B	All Other Offenses or Federal	61A, 61B, or 90Z
	Liquor Offenses*, or Federal	
	Tobacco Offenses*	
А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
А	Fraud Offenses (Wire Fraud)	26E
А	Classify as substantive offense,	Depends on
	e.g., Assault, Destruction/Damage/	circumstances
	Vandalism of Property, or Murder	
А	Larceny/Theft Offenses	23A–23H
А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Theft	23D
	From Building)	
А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Theft	23E
	From Coin-Operated Machine or	
	Device)	
А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Theft	23F
	From Motor Vehicle)	
А	Motor Vehicle Theft	240
А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (Theft of 23G	
	Motor Vehicle Parts or	
	Accessories)	
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	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code
Theft of Vehicles or	А	Larceny/Theft Offenses (All Other	23H
Equipment Other than Motor		Larceny)	
Vehicles			
Threat to Commit	A or B	Classify as 90Z if Group A offense is	90Z or Other (Group
		involved or as Group B offense if	B) Offense
		Group B offense is involved	(Depends on
			circumstances)
Threatening Behavior	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Threatening Conduct	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Threatening Gesture	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Threatening Telephone Call	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Threatening Words or	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Statement			
Threats	А	Assault Offenses (Intimidation)	13C
Traffic Violations	A or B	Do not report except for DUI, DWI,	09A, 13A, 90D, or 90Z
		Hit and Run, or Vehicular	(Depends on
		Manslaughter	circumstances)
Transmitting Wagering	А	Gambling Offenses (Operating/	39B
Information		Promoting/Assisting Gambling)	
Transporting Persons for	А	Prostitution Offenses (Assisting or	40B, 64A, or 64B
Prostitution		Promoting Prostitution) or Human	
		Trafficking	
Treason	А	Treason Offense*	101
Trespass of Personal Property	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Trespass of Real Property	В	Trespass of Real Property	90J

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Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle (no lawful access)	А	Motor Vehicle Theft	240
Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	A or B	Embezzlement (lawful access but the entrusted vehicle is misappropriated) or All Other Offenses (The unlawful taking of a vehicle for temporary use when	270 or 90Z
		prior authority has been granted)	
Unlawful Assembly	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	90B
Unlawful Entry	А	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220
Unlawful Restraint	А	Human Trafficking or Kidnapping/ Abduction	64A, 64B, or 100

	Group	Corresponding NIBRS crime	NIBRS
Offense	A or B	category and notes:	Offense Code

Unlicensed Weapon	А	Weapon Law Violations	520, 521, 522, 526
Unregistered Weapon	А	Weapon Law Violations	520, 521, 522, 526
Uttering	A or B	Fraud Offenses (False Pretenses	26A, 26B, 26D, 26F, or
		Swindle/Confidence Game,	250
		Impersonation, or Welfare Fraud),	(Depends on
		or Counterfeiting/Forgery	circumstances)

Vagabondage	В	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy	90B
Vagabonaage	D	Violations	500
Vagrancy	B Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy		90B
		Violations	
Vandalism	А	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of	290
		Property	
Vehicular Manslaughter	A or B	Murder and Nonnegligent	09A or 90Z
		Manslaughter (if not accidental) or	
		All Other Offenses (if accidental)	
Vice, Commercialized A or l		Human Trafficking, Prostitution	64A, 40A, 40B, 370,
		Offenses (Prostitution or Assisting	39A, 39B, 39C, 39D, or
		or Promoting Prostitution),	90Z
		Gambling Offenses, Pornography/	
		Obscene Material, or All Other	
		Offenses	
Violation of Quarantine	В	All Other Offenses	90Z
Violation of Restraining Order	В	All Other Offenses	90Z

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Wagering, Unlawful	А	Gambling Offenses (Betting/	39A
		Wagering)	
Weapon, Concealed	А	Weapon Law Violations or	520 or 521
		Violation of National Firearm Act	
		of 1934*	
Weapon, Unlicensed	А	Weapon Law Violations	520, 521, 522, 526
Weapon, Unregistered	А	Weapon Law Violations	520, 521, 522, 526
Weapon Law Violations	А	Weapon Law Violations	520, 521, 522, 526
Welfare Fraud	А	Fraud Offenses (Welfare Fraud)	26D
Wire Fraud	А	Fraud Offenses (Wire Fraud)	26E
Wiretapping, Illegal	В	All Other Offenses	90Z

\*Denotes offenses for federal and tribal LEA reporting only

# **3 Electronic File Submissions**

In NIBRS, LEAs use three types of electronic submissions to forward data to the FBI:

- The Group A Incident Report provides all the information about Group A offenses using up to six data segments Administrative, Offense, Property, Victim, Offender, and Arrestee.
- The Group B Arrest Report supplies data concerning each arrestee for a Group B offense via the arrestee segment.
- The Zero Report, which indicates no criminal activity occurred within an agency's jurisdiction during a given month.

Using a series of the 58 established data elements (i.e., data fields within each segment), LE can describe the details of each component of the crime. For each data element, reporting agencies may choose the most appropriate data value (i.e., a specific code representing one of the acceptable entries for each data element).

# **3.1 Group A Incident Report**

An initial Group A Incident Report contains an Administrative Segment, Offense Segment(s), Property Segment(s) (if applicable), Victim Segment(s), and Offender Segment(s). If the reporting agency arrests an offender by the time it submits the initial report, it may also include one or more Arrestee Segments. If, however, the reporting agency arrests an offender for the reported offense after submitting the initial report, the agency should submit the Arrestee Segment(s) as an update to the initial report.

If LE arrests an offender for a Group A offense for which it did not previously submit an initial incident report (e.g., an on-view arrest), the agency must create and submit a Group A Incident Report that provides not only the Arrestee Segment but also the Administrative, Offense, Property (if applicable), Victim, and Offender Segments. In other words, an agency cannot submit an Arrestee Segment for a Group A offense without the other segment information.

**Note:** Sometimes courts apply for warrants without notifying LEAs of the details of the crime (e.g., bench warrant and warrant of arrest situations). As often as possible, LEAs should obtain the information regarding such crimes and report it in Group A Incident Reports or Group B Arrest Reports, depending on whether the crimes are Group A or Group B offenses.

An explanation of the purpose of each of the six Group A Incident Report segments follows:

## Administrative Segment

This segment contains administrative data that applies to the entire incident report (e.g., the identifying number assigned to the incident and the date and hour the incident occurred). The reporting agency should submit a single Administrative Segment for each reported incident.

**Note:** NIBRS Data Element 1 (ORI Number) and Data Element 2 (Incident Number) link the Administrative Segment to the Offense, Property, Victim, Offender, and Arrestee Segments in each incident.

## **Offense Segment**

The Offense Segment identifies and describes the types of offenses involved in the incident (e.g., 200 = Arson, 40A = Prostitution). The reporting agency should submit an Offense Segment for each of the (up to) ten most serious (as determined by the agency) Group A offenses in the incident. Even though there may have been more than one victim of a particular crime, the reporting agency should submit only one Offense Segment for each reported UCR Offense Code. Each Group A Incident Report must contain at least one Offense Segment.

For example, in the same incident, an offender assaulted two people by threatening them with a handgun. The reporting agency should submit only one Offense Segment with 13A = Aggravated Assault entered into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code). In addition, the agency should submit two Victim Segments and enter 13A = Aggravated Assault into Data Element 24 (Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code), to link the two victims to this Offense Segment.

## **Property Segment**

The Property Segment describes the type, value, and, in cases of drug seizures, quantity of property involved in the incident. Agencies should report Property Segment(s) only when an incident involves a Crime Against Property offense, a Kidnapping/Abduction offense, Drug Narcotic Offenses, or Gambling Offenses. The reporting agency should submit a separate Property Segment for each type of property loss/etc. (e.g., burned; counterfeited/forged; destroyed/damaged/vandalized; recovered; seized; and/or stolen/etc. occurring in the incident). Furthermore, the agency may report up to ten types of property (e.g., aircraft, alcohol, and automobiles) for each type of property loss/etc.

## Victim Segment

The Victim Segment provides information about each of the victims involved in the incident (e.g., his/her age, sex, race, and ethnicity). The reporting agency should submit a separate Victim Segment for each of the (up to 999) victims involved in the incident. At least one Victim Segment must be in each Incident Report.

## **Offender Segment**

The Offender Segment captures data about each of the offenders in the incident (e.g., his/her age, sex, race, and ethnicity). The reporting agency should submit a separate Offender Segment for each of the (up to 99) offenders involved in the incident. If the reporting agency knows nothing about the offenders—i.e., no one saw the offenders, there were no suspects, and the number of offenders is unknown—then the agency should enter 00 = Unknown as the data value for Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number), and leave Data Elements 37 through 39A blank. There must be at least one Offender Segment in each incident report.

### Arrestee Segment

The Arrestee Segment is used to report the apprehension of the person(s) arrested for committing the crime(s) reported in the Group A Incident Report, the offense for which he or she was arrested, and the arrestee data (e.g., his/her age, sex, race, and ethnicity). The reporting agency should submit an Arrestee Segment for each of the (up to 99) arrestees who were involved in the incident. However, if there were no arrestees, the agency should not submit this segment.

## **3.2 Group B Arrest Report**

The Group B Arrest Report describes only the circumstances of the arrest, the Group B arrest offense, and the arrestee data (e.g., his/her age, sex, race, and ethnicity). This report does not include incident data since agencies report only arrests for Group B offenses. Reporting agencies should submit a separate Group B Arrest Report for each arrestee.

If an arrest for a Group B offense results in the clearance of a previously submitted Group A Incident Report, the reporting agency should submit an Arrestee Segment as an update to the previously submitted Group A Incident Report. The agency should enter the appropriate Group B offense code as the data value for Data Element 45 (UCR Arrest Offense Code) of the Arrestee Segment of the Group A Incident Report.

For example, on August 1, 2018, an LEA arrested a man for DUI, a Group B offense. The arresting agency determined he was also wanted for a previously reported robbery, a Group A offense, which occurred on March 23, 2018. Instead of submitting a Group B Arrest Report, the reporting agency should submit an Arrestee Segment as an update to the previous Group A Incident Report with 90D = Driving Under the Influence as the data value for Data Element 45.

## **3.3 Zero Report**

On occasion, a small reporting agency may have no crime, arrests, or recovered property to report for a given month. In such instances, reporting agencies should use the Zero Report. This assists the FBI to compute valid statistics because it establishes no crime occurred in the jurisdiction rather than the LEA reported no crime information. If an agency submits a Zero

Report for a given month and subsequently enters a Group A Incident Report, a Group B Arrest Report, or an Arrestee Segment for the month, the submission will override the Zero Report.

## **3.4 Report Modifications**

## **Clearing Incidents in NIBRS**

In NIBRS, LEAs clear incidents rather than individual offenses. This means a clearance by arrest or exceptional means of one offense in a multiple-offense incident clears the entire incident. Therefore, the first Arrestee Segment reported in connection with an incident automatically clears the incident. However, an agency cannot clear an incident by exceptional means if it was already cleared by arrest (i.e., the agency previously submitted an Arrestee Segment).

## **Updating Incidents in NIBRS**

Once LEAs submit incidents to the FBI UCR Program, circumstances may arise that warrant updating their original submissions. The flexibility of NIBRS provides for updating reports by adding, modifying, and deleting data. The FBI UCR Program's updating policy states, an agency should update a report only if the change would substantially alter the report's statistical significance. More specifically, if a subsequent event materially affects the report, or if the LEA made a serious error when it submitted the original report, the LEA will need to update the report. Anytime an agency updates a report, the agency should resubmit the report so the data are the same at all levels—federal, state, county, city, university and college, and tribal.

Examples of circumstances requiring an update include the discovery of an additional unreported offense, victim, and/or offender; a subsequent arrest or exceptional clearance; discovery of a significant amount of unreported property loss; the recovery of stolen property; or the incorrect entry of important data, such as the offense code, the victim's or arrestee's sex or race, etc.

Examples of circumstances not requiring an update include the agency learning the exact age of the offender (e.g., 22) after reporting an age range (e.g., 20-25); the agency learning the true value of stolen property (e.g., \$958) after reporting the approximate cost (e.g., \$1,000); or the agency learning, besides suffering a severe laceration previously reported, the victim also suffered internal injury.

An agency participating in NIBRS may, of course, update more data than is required by the FBI UCR Program's policy. If a reporting state UCR Program (or a direct agency participant) updates a record in its RMS, it should also submit the updated record for the national file.

LEAs can find additional information about adding, deleting, and modifying information in NIBRS in the NIBRS Technical Specification, NIBRS Extensible Markup Language (XML) Developer's Guide, or the NIBRS Information Exchange Package Documentation (IEPD).

**Note:** The *NIBRS Technical Specification, NIBRS XML Developer's Guide,* and the *NIBRS IEPD* are companion documents to the *NIBRS User Manual*. These documents define the requirements sets (data elements) used to submit data for NIBRS. The *NIBRS User Manual* is the technical communication document designed to assist the users of NIBRS.

## 4 Data Elements and Data Values

LEAs use data elements and data values to report data to the FBI UCR Program via NIBRS. Additional information about reporting requirements and specifications for submitting data to NIBRS is in the NIBRS Technical Specification and NIBRS XML Developer's Guide.

## **4.1 Definition of Data Element**

A data element is the smallest named item of data that conveys meaningful information or condenses a lengthy description into a short code. LE should use a series of the 58 established data elements (i.e., data fields) within each segment of the Group A Incident Report and in the Group B Arrest Report to describe the details of each component of crime.

## 4.2 Mandatory Versus Optional Data Elements

LEAs must report some data elements that are required in order to have a complete/valid data submission, i.e., they are *mandatory*. Other data elements are *conditional* based on the data values submitted for the other data elements. Other data elements are *optional* and can be reported to the FBI at the discretion of the agency.

## **4.3 Definition of Data Values**

A data value is a characteristic of an object (such as the sex of a person) or a parameter of a data element (such as 2015 – Current Year). For each data element, reporting agencies should choose the most appropriate data value(s) (i.e., specific characteristics or types of the reported data that have assigned codes). Although some data values require a specific format, most are codes from an approved list, each followed by an equal sign (=) and the actual value. For example, for Data Element 3 (Incident Date), the specific format for the data value is YYYYMMDDHH. For Data Element 27 (Sex of Victim), agencies may enter one of the codes M = Male, F = Female, or U = Unknown to describe the gender of the victim; but for Data Element 48 (Sex of Arrestee), agencies may enter only M = Male or F = Female to describe the sex of the arrestee.

If more than one of the data values associated with a data element could apply to the situation, agencies should use the most specific one. For example, in Data Element 9 (Location Type), a 7-Eleven store could be described as 05 = Commercial/Office Building, 07 = Convenience Store, or 12 = Grocery/Supermarket. Because 07 = Convenience Store is the most specific description, reporting agencies should use this code.

In some instances, data elements allow for the entry of more than one data value. For example, Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information) allows LEAs to report up to three types of activity for each offense. If, in a drug case, the offenders grew marijuana and distributed it by having children sell it at school, the data values of C = Cultivating/ Manufacturing/Publishing, D = Distributing/Selling, and E = Exploiting Children should be entered.

## 4.4 Clarification of Specific Data Elements and Data Values

The information in this section provides general explanations of data elements and relates more to the functional aspect of the UCR Program rather than the technical entry requirements. LEAs will find the technical aspects for each data element (format, related edits, and valid data values) in the *NIBRS Technical Specification*.

## Data Element 1 (ORI)

An ORI [Originating Agency Identifier] is a unique nine-character identifier the NCIC has assigned to each LEA in coordination with the CJIS Systems Officer (CSO). The UCR Program uses this identifier to indicate the contributing agency. Data Element 1 is mandatory in each NIBRS submission.

## Data Element 1A (Federal Judicial Districts [JD]) (For Federal Submissions Only)

A Federal Judicial District is a defined legal district that denotes a territory for which a federal court has jurisdiction. The JD describes what court will hear a federal case. There are currently 95 federal judicial districts across the United States and its territories. This data element in NIBRS describes where the crime(s) took place by designating what JD the incident occurred. In NIBRS federal agencies can reflect the incident location as the JD code to give a better geographical location of the incident.

This data element is mandatory for federal submitters.

#### Valid Data Values

Federal Judicial District	NIBRS Code	NIBRS XML Literal Value
Alabama, Middle District	002	ALABAMA_MIDDLE
Alabama, Northern District	001	ALABAMA_NORTHERN
Alabama, Southern District	003	ALABAMA_SOUTHERN
Alaska	006	ALASKA
Arizona	008	ARIZONA
Arkansas, Eastern District	009	ARKANSAS_EASTERN
Arkansas, Western District	010	ARKANSAS_WESTERN
California, Central District	012	CALIFORNIA_CENTRAL
California, Eastern District	097	CALIFORNIA_EASTERN
California, Northern District	011	CALIFORNIA_NORTHERN

Federal Judicial District	NIBRS Code	NIBRS XML Literal Value
California, Southern District	098	CALIFORNIA_SOUTHERN
Colorado	013	COLORADO
Connecticut	014	CONNECTICUT
Delaware	015	DELAWARE
District of Columbia	016	WASHINGTON DC
Florida, Middle District	018	FLORIDA_MIDDLE
Florida, Northern District	017	FLORIDA_NORTHERN
Florida, Southern District	004	FLORIDA_SOUTHERN
Georgia, Middle District	020	GEORGIA_MIDDLE
Georgia, Northern District	019	GEORGIA_NORTHERN
Georgia, Southern District	021	GEORGIA_SOUTHERN
Guam	093	GUAM
Hawaii	022	HAWAII
Idaho	023	IDAHO
Illinois, Central District	026	ILLINOIS_CENTRAL
Illinois, Northern District	024	ILLINOIS_NORTHERN
Illinois, Southern District	025	ILLINOIS_SOUTHERN
Indiana, Northern District	027	INDIANA_NORTHERN
Indiana, Southern District	028	INDIANA_SOUTHERN
Iowa, Northern District	029	IOWA_NORTHERN
Iowa, Southern District	030	IOWA_SOUTHERN
Kansas	031	KANSAS
Kentucky, Eastern District	032	KENTUCKY_EASTERN
Kentucky, Western District	033	KENTUCKY_WESTERN
Louisiana, Eastern District	034	LOUISIANA_EASTERN
Louisiana, Middle District	095	LOUISIANA_MIDDLE
Louisiana, Western District	035	LOUISIANA_WESTERN
Maine	036	MAINE
Maryland	037	MARYLAND
Massachusetts	038	MASSACHUSETTS
Michigan, Eastern District	039	MICHIGAN_EASTERN
Michigan, Western District	040	MICHIGAN_WESTERN
Minnesota	041	MINNESOTA
Mississippi, Northern District	042	MISSISSIPPI_NORTHERN
Mississippi, Southern District	043	MISSISSIPPI_SOUTHERN
Missouri, Eastern District	044	MISSOURI_EASTERN
Missouri, Western District	045	MISSOURI_WESTERN
Montana	046	MONTANA
Nebraska	047	NEBRASKA
Nevada	048	NEVADA
New Hampshire	049	NEW HAMPSHIRE
New Jersey	050	NEW JERSEY
New Mexico	051	NEW MEXICO

Federal Judicial District	NIBRS Code	NIBRS XML Literal Value
New York, Eastern District	053	NEW YORK_EASTERN
New York, Northern District	052	NEW YORK_NORTHERN
New York, Southern District	054	NEW YORK_SOUTHERN
New York, Western District	055	NEW YORK_WESTERN
North Carolina, Eastern District	056	NORTH CAROLINA_EASTERN
North Carolina, Middle District	057	NORTH CAROLINA_MIDDLE
North Carolina, Western District	058	NORTH CAROLINA_WESTERN
North Dakota	059	NORTH DAKOTA
Northern Mariana Islands	005	MARIANA ISLANDS_NORTHERN
Ohio, Northern District	060	OHIO_NORTHERN
Ohio, Southern District	061	OHIO_SOUTHERN
Oklahoma, Eastern District	063	OKLAHOMA_EASTERN
Oklahoma, Northern District	062	OKLAHOMA_NORTHERN
Oklahoma, Western District	064	OKLAHOMA_WESTERN
Oregon	065	OREGON
Pennsylvania, Eastern District	066	PENNSYLVANIA_EASTERN
Pennsylvania, Middle District	067	PENNSYLVANIA_MIDDLE
Pennsylvania, Western District	068	PENNSYLVANIA_WESTERN
Puerto Rico	069	PUERTO RICO
Rhode Island	070	RHODE ISLAND
South Carolina	071	SOUTH CAROLINA
South Dakota	073	SOUTH DAKOTA
Tennessee, Eastern	074	TENNESSEE_EASTERN
Tennessee, Middle	075	TENNESSEE_MIDDLE
Tennessee, Western	076	TENNESSEE_WESTERN
Texas, Eastern	078	TEXAS_EASTERN
Texas, Northern	077	TEXAS_NORTHERN
Texas, Southern	079	TEXAS_SOUTHERN
Texas, Western	080	TEXAS_WESTERN
Utah	081	UTAH
Vermont	082	VERMONT
Virgin Islands	094	VIRGIN ISLANDS
Virginia, Eastern	083	VIRGINIA_EASTERN
Virginia, Western	084	VIRGINIA_WESTERN
Washington, Eastern	085	WASHINGTON_EASTERN
Washington, Western	086	WASHINGTON_WESTERN
West Virginia, Northern	087	WEST VIRGINIA_NORTHERN
West Virginia, Southern	088	WEST VIRGINIA_SOUTHERN
Wisconsin, Eastern	089	WISCONSIN_EASTERN
Wisconsin, Western	090	WISCONSIN_WESTERN
Wyoming	091	WYOMING

## Data Element 2 (Incident Number)

An incident number is the number assigned by the reporting agency to each Group A Incident Report to uniquely identify the incident (e.g., the LEA's case number). Data Element 2 is mandatory in each NIBRS submission.

If data from a Group A Incident Report are furnished to outside entities for research purposes, the FBI will encrypt the incident numbers prior to their dissemination to ensure the recipient cannot identify the actual case. Agencies may also encrypt their incident numbers before sending them to the FBI.

## Data Element 2A (Cargo Theft)

Data Element 2A indicates whether the incident involved a cargo theft. The FBI UCR Program has defined Cargo Theft as "the criminal taking of any cargo including, but not limited to, goods, chattels, money, or baggage that constitutes, in whole or in part, a commercial shipment of freight moving in commerce, from any pipeline system, railroad car, motor truck, or other vehicle, or from any tank or storage facility, station house, platform, or depot, or from any vessel or wharf, or from any aircraft, air terminal, airport, aircraft terminal or air freight station, warehouse, freight distribution facility, or freight consolidation facility. For purposes of this definition, cargo shall be deemed as moving in commerce at all points between the point of origin and the final destination, regardless of any temporary stop while awaiting transshipment or otherwise."

Two key phrases in the classification of cargo theft are "commercial shipment" and "in the supply chain." For LEAs to classify an incident as a cargo theft, the items must be part of a commercial shipment and must be in the supply chain (i.e., moving in commerce).

LEAs should consider thefts of goods being delivered to a business from United Parcel Service (UPS), Federal Express (FedEx), the U.S. Postal Service, etc., to be cargo until the items arrive at the business, or final distribution point. Once the business receives the items (i.e., personnel at the company sign for the goods), the goods are no longer considered cargo because they are outside of the supply chain. Therefore, LEAs should not consider deliveries from UPS, FedEx, to individuals or other businesses (e.g., flowers, pizza, electronics, appliances, etc.) to be cargo because they are outside of the supply chain.

Cargo theft-related offenses are:

120 = Robbery
210 = Extortion/Blackmail
220 = Burglary/Breaking and Entering
23D = Theft From Building
23F = Theft From Motor Vehicle
23H = All Other Larceny
240 = Motor Vehicle Theft

26A = False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game
26B = Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud
26C = Impersonation
26E = Wire Fraud
26F = Identity Theft
26G = Hacking/Computer Invasion
270 = Embezzlement
510 = Bribery

#### Valid Data Values

Y = Yes N = No (Blank) = Not a Cargo Theft offense

#### Example 1

Four men wearing ski masks conducted armed robbery at a trucking facility (UCR Offense Code 120 Robbery). Two of the men held the guards at gunpoint while the other two men jumped into an idling truck nearby and drove off with the cargo.

#### Example 2

Five suspects entered a slow-moving freight train, which was transporting cargo from the freight yard to numerous destinations. The suspects used various tools to break into the shipping containers. The merchandise was then thrown off the train and accomplices on the ground gathered the stolen merchandise (UCR Code 220 Burglary/Breaking & Entering).

#### Example 3

A subject used a stolen commercial driver's license with like characteristics to enter a trucking company (UCR Code 26F = Identity Theft). After gaining access to the building, the suspect drove away with the vehicle and the cargo within the trailer (UCR Offense Code 220 Burglary/Breaking and Entering).

#### **Example 4**

An unknown subject hacked into a shipping company's computer system (UCR Offense Code 26G Hacking/Computer Invasion) and redirected the shipment to an alternate location. The cargo was unlawfully seized, by a group of unknown subjects, from the back of a box truck, on the docks of the alternate location across town (UCR Offense Code 23F Theft from Motor Vehicle).

## Data Element 3 (Incident Date)

LEAs should use Data Element 3 (Incident Date) to enter the year, month, and day (YYYYMMDD) when the incident occurred or the beginning of the time period in which it occurred, as appropriate. This data element also includes the report date indicator (R = Report Date) and the hour of the incident (00-23). LEAs should use the report date indicator to designate whether the date entered is the Report Date rather than the Incident Date. This data element is mandatory in each NIBRS submission.

If the incident occurred on or between midnight and 0059, 00 should be entered; if on or between 0100 and 0159, 01 should be entered; if on or between 2300 and 2359, 23 should be entered; etc. If the incident occurred at exactly midnight, LEAs should consider it occurred at the beginning of the next day, as if the crime occurred at 1 minute past midnight. Therefore, LEAs would enter 00 for the hour, along with the next day's date.

## Example 1

If a Robbery occurred at 9:30 p.m. on July 2, 2018, the entry should be 20180702 21.

## Example 2

If a Kidnapping started at 11:30 p.m. on November 1, 2018, and ended on November 16, 2018, the entry should be 20181101 23.

#### Example 3

If an incident occurred at midnight on December 31, 2017, and January 1, 2018, the entry should be 20180101 00.

#### Example 4

If the date and hour of the incident are unknown but the date of the report was March 15, 2018, the entry should be 20150318R with the R = Report Date entered after the Report Date.

## Data Element 4 (Cleared Exceptionally)

Data Element 4 (Cleared Exceptionally) indicates whether the LEA cleared the incident by <u>exceptional means</u>. In a multiple-offense incident, the exceptional clearance of one offense clears the entire incident.

LEAs must not confuse exceptionally clearing an incident with administratively closing an investigation, and LEAs cannot clear an incident exceptionally if it was previously or is concurrently cleared by arrest (i.e., if an Arrestee Segment (Level 6) was/is submitted).

## Valid Data Values

- A = Death of Offender
- B = Prosecution Declined (by the prosecutor for other than lack of probable cause)
- C = In Custody of Other Jurisdiction (includes extradition denied)
- D = Victim Refused to Cooperate (in the prosecution)
- E = Juvenile/No Custody (the handling of a juvenile without taking him/her into custody, but rather by oral or written notice given to the parents or legal guardian in a case involving a minor offense, such as petty larceny)
- N = Not Applicable (not cleared exceptionally)

## *C* = *In Custody of Other Jurisdiction*

Beginning January 1, 2011, agencies began using data value C = In Custody of Other Jurisdiction for cases in which extraditions are formally denied or in circumstances where an offender committed offenses in two jurisdictions and was arrested in one of the jurisdictions. The LEA in the jurisdiction not reporting the arrest should report this data value when they become aware of the arrest.

#### N = Not Applicable

If an incident was not cleared by either an arrest or exceptional means by the time an initial Group A Incident Report is submitted regarding it, then the agency should enter N = Not Applicable.

If, after a Group A Incident Report was submitted, an offender was arrested, the agency should update the previously submitted report with an Arrestee Segment. Submitting an Arrestee Segment will automatically clear the incident. This data element should still contain N = Not Applicable.

To clear an offense by exceptional means, LEAs must meet **ALL** four of the following conditions:

- 1. The LEA investigation must have clearly and definitely established the identity of at least one offender.
- 2. The LEA must have sufficient probable cause to support arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender.
- 3. The LEA must know the exact location of the offender so they could make an arrest if circumstances did not prevent it.
- There must be a reason outside the control of the LEA preventing the arrest, charging, and turning over for prosecution.
   (i.e., A through E).

A kidnapper, who was holding a hostage, killed himself when the building in which he barricaded himself was surrounded by the police. The Kidnapping should be reported and cleared exceptionally by A = Death of Offender.

## Data Element 5 (Exceptional Clearance Date)

LEAs use Data Element 5 (Exceptional Clearance Date) to enter the date the incident is cleared by exceptional means (YYYYMMDD) when data values other than N = Not Applicable are entered in Data Element 4 (Cleared Exceptionally).

#### **Exceptional Clearance Offense Code**

Exceptional Clearance Offense Code is a supplementary data element used to enter the original incident's offense(s) to enable identification of the offense(s) the LEA is exceptionally clearing. LEAs use this data element only when Data Element 4 indicates they are clearing the incident exceptionally.

## Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code)

Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code) is used to enter the data values of the ten most serious Group A offenses occurring in the incident (as determined by the reporting agency). A minimum of one Offense Segment must be included in a Group A Incident. In addition, LEAs should submit only one offense for each reported UCR Offense Code even though there may have been more than one victim of the crime. LEAs can find a complete listing of Group A offenses in <u>Section 2.3</u>, Group A and Group B Offense Listing.

LEAs must report each offense if it is a separate, distinct crime, rather than just a part of another offense. For example, because every robbery includes an element of assault, agencies should report only the offense of Robbery. If during a Robbery, however, the offender forces the victim to engage in sexual relations, then the LEA should report both Robbery and Rape because forced sexual intercourse is not an element of robbery.

**Note:** The robbery/assault example above contains "lesser included" offenses. Mutually exclusive offenses are offenses that cannot occur to the same victim according to UCR definitions. Lesser included offenses are offenses where one offense is an element of another offense and cannot be reported as having happened to the victim along with the other offense. (For more information about mutually exclusive/lesser included offenses, refer to the *NIBRS Technical Specification*, Data Element 24 [Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code]).

## Data Element 7 (Offense Attempted/Completed)

LEAs should use Data Element 7 (Offense Attempted/Completed) to indicate whether each offense in the incident was attempted or completed. When an offense occurs more than once within an incident and one of the instances was completed, then LEAs should consider all of the instances of the offense completed.

**Note**: Attempted Murder should be reported as Aggravated Assault, and all Assault offenses should be coded as C = Completed.

## Valid Data Values

A = Attempted C = Completed

## Data Element 8 (Offender Suspected of Using)

LEAs should use Data Element 8 (Offender Suspected of Using) to indicate whether any of the offenders in the incident were suspected of consuming alcohol or using drugs/narcotics during or shortly before the incident, or using computer equipment to perpetrate the crime. LEAs can enter up to three types of activity per offense type in Data Element 8.

#### Valid Data Values

A = Alcohol C = Computer Equipment (Handheld Devices) D = Drugs/Narcotics N = Not Applicable (Mutually Exclusive)

#### Example

A driver swerved out of her lane into oncoming traffic, striking another vehicle. A passing motorist stopped and called 911. The responding officer asked the driver at fault why she swerved into the other lane; she had no recollection of why she swerved into oncoming traffic. One of the passengers in the other vehicle passed away at the scene due to the injuries sustained during the crash. The officer observed the driver at fault, talking and texting on her cell phone at the scene. He asked the driver if she had a hands-free device and the driver responded "no" to this question.

The officer obtained the phone records of the driver and found a series of texts were sent and received immediately prior to the accident. The driver was arrested for negligent manslaughter due to driving distracted while using a cell/smartphone. In Data Element 8 (Offender Suspected of Using), data value C = Computer Equipment (Handheld Devices) should be scored.

A police officer is stationed on the highway in a location known for speeding. He measures a vehicle traveling 12 mph an hour over the posted limit and attempts to pull the vehicle over. The vehicle attempts to evade the officer, increasing its speed and passing other vehicles on the left and right, including driving on the shoulder of the road. During the pursuit, several vehicles attempting to enter the highway were required to pull off onto the shoulder to avoid striking the evading vehicle. During the pursuit, the vehicle exceeds 100 mph, which is 30 miles over the speed limit. The pursuit ended in a crash with another vehicle killing the driver in that vehicle. The crash is assessed to be the fault of the evading vehicle. The evading driver was injured but survived and was subsequently charged with Negligent Manslaughter as a result of reckless driving. The data value reported in Data Element 8 (Offender Suspected of Using), should be N = Not Applicable (Mutually Exclusive).

## Data Element 8A (Bias Motivation)

Data Element 8A (Bias Motivation) is used to indicate whether an offense was motivated by the offender's bias and, if so, what type of bias. LEAs can enter up to five bias motivations per offense type.

Because of the difficulty of ascertaining the offender's subjective motivation, LEAs should report a bias motivation only if investigation reveals sufficient objective facts to lead a reasonable and prudent person to conclude the offender's actions were motivated, in whole or in part, by bias against race/ethnicity/ancestry, religion, disability, gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

Unless the bias for a hate crime falls into one of the FBI UCR Program's bias categories, an agency should report zero hate crime data. LEAs should report zero hate crime data as data value 88 = None. In NIBRS, incidents not involving any facts indicating bias motivation on the part of the offender are to be reported as 88 = None, whereas incidents involving ambiguous facts (some facts are present but are not conclusive) should be reported as data value 99 = Unknown. When an offense is initially classified as bias motivation 99 = Unknown and subsequent investigation reveals the crime was motivated by bias or no bias was found, the agency must update its original submission.

## Valid Data Values

#### **Bias Categories**

## Race / Ethnicity / Ancestry

11 = Anti-White
12 = Anti-Black or African American
13 = Anti-American Indian or Alaska Native
14 = Anti-Asian
15 = Anti-Multiple Races, Group
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16 = Anti-Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

- 31 = Anti-Arab
- 32 = Anti-Hispanic or Latino
- 33 = Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry

### Religion

21 = Anti-Jewish
22 = Anti-Catholic
23 = Anti-Protestant
24 = Anti-Islamic (Muslim)
25 = Anti-Other Religion
26 = Anti-Multiple Religions, Group
27 = Anti-Atheism/Agnosticism
28 = Anti-Mormon
29 = Anti-Jehovah's Witness
81 = Anti-Eastern Orthodox (Greek, Russian, etc.)
82 = Anti-Other Christian
83 = Anti-Buddhist
84 = Anti-Hindu
85 = Anti-Sikh

#### **Sexual Orientation**

41 = Anti-Gay (Male)
42 = Anti-Lesbian (Female)
43 = Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)
44 = Anti-Heterosexual
45 = Anti-Bisexual

#### Disability

51 = Anti-Physical Disability 52 = Anti-Mental Disability

#### Gender

61 = Anti-Male 62 = Anti-Female

#### **Gender Identity**

71 = Anti-Transgender72 = Anti-Gender Non-Conforming

#### None/Unknown

88 = None (no bias) 99 = Unknown (offender's motivation not known)

While driving through a predominantly white neighborhood, a black male stopped his car to repair a flat tire. A group of white males leaving a bar across the street accosted the driver and then attacked him with bottles and clubs. During the attack, the offenders called the victim by a well-known and recognized epithet used against blacks and told him blacks were not welcome in the neighborhood.

Offense - Aggravated Assault. This incident should be reported with an Anti-Black or African American Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry bias because the victim and offenders were of different races; the offenders used a racial epithet; and the facts reveal no other reason for the attack than the stated one: the offenders' desire to keep blacks out of the neighborhood.

## Example 2

A group home for persons with psychiatric disabilities who were in transition back into the community was the site of a reported arson. Investigation revealed that neighbors had expressed many concerns about the group home in town meetings and were angry that the house was located in their community. Shortly before the fire was reported, a witness heard a man state, "I'll get rid of those 'crazies,' I'll burn them out." Twelve persons, including patients and staff, suffered second- and third-degree burns resulting from the Arson.

Offenses - Aggravated Assault (12 victims) and Arson (1 Arson). An Anti-Mental Disability bias should be reported with this incident since the suspect apparently committed the crime due to his bias against persons with psychiatric disabilities.

#### Example 3

A juvenile male snatched a Jewish woman's purse, and in doing so, knocked her down and called her by a well-known and recognized epithet used against Jews. The offender's identity is not known. Although the offender used an epithet for Jews, it is not known whether he belongs to another religious group or whether his motive was anything more than Robbery.

Offense - Robbery. Because the facts are ambiguous, agencies should not report this incident as bias-motivated unless the investigation positively concludes that the offender's bias was a contributing factor in the crime. The offense should be reported as 99 = Unknown. Should an offender be arrested, subsequent investigation would determine whether or not the offense was bias motivated. The offense should then be reported as either 88 = None or the code for the appropriate bias motivation.

Overnight, unknown person(s) broke into a synagogue and destroyed several priceless religious objects. The perpetrators painted a large red swastika on the door and wrote "Death to Jews" on a wall. Although other valuable items were present, none were stolen.

Offenses - Burglary and Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property. This incident should be reported with an Anti-Jewish religious bias because the offender(s) destroyed priceless religious objects and left anti-Semitic words and graffiti behind, and theft did not appear to be the motive for the burglary.

## Example 5

In a parking lot next to a bar, a 29-year-old Japanese-American male was attacked by a 51-year old white male wielding a tire iron. The victim suffered severe lacerations and a broken arm. Investigation revealed that the offender and victim had previously exchanged racial insults in the bar. The offender initiated the exchange by calling the victim by a well-known epithet used against the Japanese and complained that the Japanese were taking jobs away from Americans.

Offense - Aggravated Assault. An Anti-Asian Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry bias should be reported with this incident based on the difference in race of the victim and offender, the exchange of racial insults, and the absence of other reasons for the attack.

#### Example 6

Someone threw a rock breaking a window in a Syrian-owned convenience store. The store had signs written in Arabic displayed in the window and outside the store. The rock, which had a disparaging message about the owner's Arab ancestry, struck the owner in the head, which caused a gash requiring medical attention.

Offenses - Aggravated assault and Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property. This incident should be reported with an Anti-Arab Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry Bias since the evidence indicates the victim was targeted due to his ancestral descent.

#### Example 7

A street gang assaulted three Hindu men while shouting a well-known Hindu epithet. The gang beat them so severely each suffered a coma.

Offense - Aggravated Assault (3 victims). This incident should be reported with an Anti-Hindu Religious Bias because the evidence indicates the victims were targeted due to their religious affiliation.

An assailant ran by a Sikh pedestrian, shoved him to the ground, forcibly pulled his Dastaar (Sikh turban) and said, "Take that thing off your head—we don't want your kind in the neighborhood!" In the process of the attack, the victim suffered a concussion. When a law enforcement responded to the scene, a witness to the attack recognized the offender as a clerk at a local convenience store near a predominantly Sikh community.

Offense - Aggravated Assault. This incident should be reported with an Anti-Sikh Religious Bias because the evidence indicates the victim was targeted due to his Dastaar and the assailant's ongoing dealings with the Sikh community. Data Element 9 (Location Type).

## Data Element 9 (Location Type)

LEAs should use Data Element 9 (Location Type) to report the type of location/premises where each offense in an incident took place.

The FBI UCR Program recognizes that for many incidents, there is more than one possible choice for reporting a location. Therefore, LE personnel should use their best judgment in reporting the most specific location type after investigating the crime and considering the circumstances surrounding the location and the offender's intent during the commission of the crime.

Because the geographic location of an incident is not always the same as the functional location of the incident, the FBI UCR Program relies on LEAs to report the most appropriate location type. For example, if an offense occurs at an elementary school playground during school hours, the location can be classified as 53 = School – Elementary/Secondary. But, if the offense occurred at the same physical location on a Saturday afternoon when the school is not operating and the public are allowed to use the facility for recreational purposes, LEAs would be equally correct in classifying the location as 50 = Park/Playground.

Sometimes, LEAs can determine the location by the offender's intent during the commission of the crime. For example, if the offender chose to commit a robbery during a church service held at a public facility routinely used for basketball games, LEAs can choose to classify the location as 04 = Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque since the building was being used for a public religious activity at the time the crime was committed.

Valid Data Value	Data Value Includes
01 = Air/Bus/Train Terminal	airports; bus, boat, ferry, or train stations
	and terminals
02 = Bank/Savings and Loan	financial institutions, whether in a separate
	building or inside of another store
	Note: This data value does not include
	payday-lender type businesses (See Data
	Value 24).
03 = Bar/Nightclub	establishments primarily for entertainment,
	dancing, and the consumption of beverages
04 = Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque	buildings for public religious activities,
	meetings, or worship
05 = Commercial/Office Building	establishments that pertain to commerce
	and trade
06 = Construction Site	all buildings/locations that are under some
	type of construction
07 = Convenience Store	establishments primarily for convenience
	shopping, e.g., stores that include the sale
	of other items as well as gasoline
08 = Department/Discount Store	establishments that are considered
	department stores and that sell a wide
	range of goods, etc.
	Note: LEAs should use the data value that
	best describes the location in question.
09 = Drug Store/Doctor's Office/Hospital	medical supply companies and buildings;
	stores that are primarily considered
	pharmacies; veterinary practices, veterinary
	hospitals, and medical practices
10 = Field/Woods	areas that are primarily open fields or
	wooded areas
	Note: This data value does not include
	parks.
11 = Government/Public Building	buildings primarily used for local, state, or
	federal offices or public businesses
12 = Grocery/Supermarket	establishments primarily used for buying/
	selling food items, etc.
13 = Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk	open public ways for the passage of
	vehicles, people, and animals

Valid Data Value	Data Value Includes
14 = Hotel/Motel/Etc.	when temporary lodging of transients is the
	main purpose
	Note: This data value does not include
	campgrounds or recreational vehicle parks.
15 = Jail/Prison/Penitentiary/Corrections Facility	places for the confinement of persons in
16 = Lake/Waterway/Beach	lawful detention or awaiting trial shorelines, lakes, streams, canals, or bodies
10 – Lake/ Water way/ beach	of water other than swimming pools
17 = Liquor Store	establishments primarily used for buying
	and selling alcoholic beverages
18 = Parking/Drop Lot/Garage	areas primarily used for parking motorized
	vehicles and/or trailers, usually but not
	always commercial in nature. A garage that
	is attached to or detached from a residence
	should be reported as residence as a more
	specific location.
19 = Rental Storage Facility	any mini-storage and/or self-storage
20 = Residence/Home	buildings apartments, condominiums, townhouses,
	nursing homes, residential driveways,
	residential yards; extended/continuous care
	facilities
	Note: This data value refers to permanent
	residences.
21 = Restaurant	any commercial establishments that serve
	meals or refreshments; cafeterias
23 = Service/Gas Station	establishments where motor vehicles are
	serviced and gasoline, oil, etc., are sold
24 = Specialty Store	fur stores, jewelry stores, music stores,
	dress shops, and clothing stores, etc.;
	payday-lender type businesses
25 = Other/Unknown	any location that does not fit one of the
	other defined data values, or when the
	location of the incident is unknown

Valid Data Value	Data Value Includes
37 = Abandoned/Condemned Structure	buildings or structures that are completed but have been abandoned by the owner and are no longer being used
	<b>Note:</b> This data value does not include vacant rental property. LEAs should use the data value that best describes the property in question, e.g., vacant rental house should be classified as 20 = Residence/Home, vacant convenience store that is for rent should be classified as 07 = Convenience Store, etc.
38 = Amusement Park	indoor or outdoor, permanent or temporary, movie theaters, arcade, commercial enterprises that offer rides, games, and other entertainment
39 = Arena/Stadium/Fairgrounds/Coliseum	open-air or enclosed amphitheater-type areas designed and used for the presentation of sporting events, concerts, assemblies, etc.
40 = ATM Separate from Bank	machines that provide the ability to make deposits and/or withdrawals using a bank card; ATM located inside a mall or store <b>Note:</b> LEAs should use 02 = Bank/Savings and Loan if the ATM is located at a banking
41 = Auto Dealership New/Used	facility. businesses specifically designed for selling new and used motor vehicles
	<b>Note:</b> This data value also includes the parking lots and garages of these facilities.
42 = Camp/Campground	areas used for setting up camps, including tent and recreational vehicle campsites
44 = Daycare Facility	facilities that provide short-term supervision, recreation, and/or meals for adults or children during the daytime or at night; respite care facilities for seniors or for physically or mentally challenged individuals

Valid Data Value	Data Value Includes
45 = Dock/Wharf/Freight/Modal Terminal	separate facility with platforms at which
	trucks, ships, or trains load or unload cargo
	Note: This data value does not include
	cargo bays attached to a department store
	or shopping mall. LEAs should classify these
	as 08 = Department/Discount Store or
16 - Form Facility	55 = Shopping Mall, respectively. facilities designed for agricultural
46 = Farm Facility	production or devoted to the raising and
	breeding of animals, areas of water devoted
	to aquaculture, and/or all building or
	storage structures located there; grain bins
	Note: LEAs should classify the house on a
	farm as 20 = Residence/Home.
47 = Gambling Facility/Casino/Race Track	indoor or outdoor facilities used to legally
	bet on the uncertain outcome of games of
	chance, contests, and/or races
48 = Industrial Site	active manufacturing locations, factories,
	mills, plants, etc., specifically designed for
	the manufacturing of goods
	Note: This data value does not include
	abandoned facilities. LEAs should classify
	these as 37 = Abandoned/Condemned
	Structure.
49 = Military Installation	locations specifically designed and used for
	military operations
50 = Park/Playground	areas of land set aside for public use usually
	maintained for recreational or ornamental
	purposes; soccer fields, baseball fields
51 = Rest Area	designated areas, usually along a highway,
	where motorists can stop
52 = School – College/University	institutions for the higher education of
	individuals, which gives instruction in
	specialized fields; community colleges; trade
	schools
53 = School – Elementary/Secondary	institutions for the instruction of children
	from preschool through 12th grade

Valid Data Value	Data Value Includes
54 = Shelter – Mission/Homeless	establishments that provide temporary
	housing for homeless individuals and/or
	families; venues set up as temporary
	shelters (e.g., a shelter set up in a church or
	school during a storm)
55 = Shopping Mall	indoor or outdoor shopping areas and/or
	centers with multiple (two or more) stores
	and/or businesses; strip malls
	Note: LEAs should use the data value that
	best describes the location in question.
56 = Tribal Lands	Native American reservations, communities,
	and/or trust lands
	Note: The FBI UCR Program intends that
	non-tribal LEAs will primarily use this data
	value. Tribal agencies should use the data
	value that best describes the location in
57 - Community Contor	question. public locations where members of a
57 = Community Center	community gather for group activities, social
	activities, public information, and other
	purposes; they may sometimes be open for
	the whole community or for a specialized
	group within the greater community;
	Christian community center; Islamic
	community center; Jewish community
	center; youth clubs, etc.
58 = Cyberspace	a virtual or internet-based network of two
	or more computers in separate locations
	which communicate either through wireless
	or wire connections.

Police received a phone call from an individual who reported he recently received a letter from a local business informing him the business' computers were recently hacked from an external source and the customer's personal information might have been compromised. The individual then reported he noticed someone had opened credit cards and other loans in his name. The agency should enter data value 26F = Identity Theft into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code), since the individual's personal information had been taken from the victim business and new accounts had been opened in the individual's name. Because the data was obtained by the perpetrator through the use of the internet, data value 58 = Cyberspace should be entered into

Data Element 9 (Location Type). Had the internet not been available, then this crime could not have been committed in the matter upon which it occurred.

## Example 2

Police received a phone call from an individual who reported he recently received a letter from the Target Corporation, informing him that the business' computers were recently stolen and the customer's personal information may have been compromised. The individual then reported he noticed someone had opened credit cards and other loans in his name. The agency should enter data value 26F = Identity Theft into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code), since the individual's personal information had been taken from the victim business and new accounts had been opened in the individual's name. Data value 08 = Department/Discount Store should be entered into Data Element 9 (Location Type), since this incident is not cyberspace related. The fact the internet exists has nothing to do with the commission of this crime.

## Example 3

Police received a phone call from a business that reported their computers were recently hacked based on information identified by its information technology staff. The business reported the hacking/invasion offense appeared to have come from an internet address located in Iran. The LEA should enter data value 26G = Hacking/Computer Invasion into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code). Data value 58 = Cyberspace should be entered into Data Element 9 (Location Type) because this crime could not have been committed if cyberspace had not been available.

## Example 4

Police received a phone call from a business that stated an employee had used his computer to download and steal trade secret information from the company. The company stated the individual did not have access to the information and fraudulently accessed the folders where the information was located. The LEA should enter data value 26G = Hacking/Computer Invasion into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code). Data value 05 = Commercial/Office Building should be entered into Data Element 9 (Location Type). This incident is not cyberspace related. Even though a computer was used to steal the information, the subject used an internal system and could have directly accessed the information without using the Internet.

## Data Element 10 (Number of Premises Entered)

LEAs should use Data Element 10 (Number of Premises Entered) only if the crime is Burglary/Breaking and Entering and the Hotel Rule applies (see the offense of 220 = Burglary/Breaking and Entering for more information about the <u>Hotel Rule</u>). In such cases, the number of structures (premises) entered should be reported.

In NIBRS, the Hotel Rule includes rental storage facilities such as mini-storage and self-storage buildings. Therefore, this data element is used if the offense is 220 = Burglary/Breaking and

Entering and either data value 14 = Hotel/Motel/Etc. or data value 19 = Rental Storage Facility is entered into Data Element 9 (Location Type). The total number (up to 99) of individual rooms, units, suites, storage compartments, etc. entered should then be reported in this data element (01-99).

## Example 1

A burglar forcibly entered 11 rented storage compartments in a self-storage building. The owner/manager of the building reported the incident to the police. The police department should then enter data values 220 = Burglary/Breaking and Entering into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code), 19 = Rental Storage Facility into Data Element 9 (Location Type), and the number 11 (for 11 compartments) into this data element.

## Example 2

When an LEA investigates a burglary at a private residence, the agency should enter data value 220 = Burglary/Breaking and Entering into Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code) and data value 20 = Residence/Home into Data Element 9 (Location Type). However, because the Location Type was not 14 = Hotel/Motel/Etc. or 19 = Rental Storage Facility, no entry should be made into this data element. It should be blank.

## Data Element 11 (Method of Entry)

Data Element 11 (Method of Entry) should be used only if the offense is 220 =Burglary/Breaking and Entering. LEAs should use it to report whether the burglar(s) used force or no force to enter the structure. A forced entry is where the burglar used force of any degree or a mechanical contrivance of any kind (including a passkey or skeleton key) to unlawfully enter a building or other structure. Agencies should also include burglary by concealment inside a building followed by exiting the structure as forced entry. An unforced entry is one where the burglar unlawfully entered through an unlocked door or window, but used no force. If both forced and unforced entries were involved in the crime, the entry should be reported as F = Force since the entry was accomplished through the use of force.

#### Valid Data Values

F = Force N = No Force

#### Example

An investigation of a burglary complaint disclosed the offender(s) entered the building through an unlocked street door and then forced a locked door to an office and stole a laptop. Since one door was forced, F = Force should be entered.

## Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information)

Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information) indicates the criminal activity/gang involvement of the offenders for certain offenses, including Animal Cruelty.

## **Criminal Activity**

Agencies must report the type of criminal activity of offenders in incidents involving the following offenses:

- 250 = Counterfeiting/Forgery
- 280 = Stolen Property Offenses
- 30C = Smuggling Illegal Aliens\*
- 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations
- 35B = Drug Equipment Violations
- 39C = Gambling Equipment Violations
- 370 = Pornography/Obscene Material
- 49A = Harboring Escapee/Concealing Arrest\*
- 520 = Weapon Law Violations
- 521 = Violation of National Firearms Act of 1934\*
- 522 = Weapons of Mass Destruction\*
- 526 = Explosives\*
- 58A = Import Violations\*
- 58B = Export Violations\*
- 61A = Federal Liquor Violations\*
- 61B = Federal Tobacco Violations\*
- 620 = Wildlife Trafficking\*
- 720 = Animal Cruelty
- \*Denotes offenses for federal and tribal LEA reporting only

## Valid Data Values (Criminal Activity)

LEAs may enter up to three types of activity for each offense above:

- A = Simple/Gross Neglect (unintentionally, intentionally, or knowingly failing to provide food, water, shelter, veterinary care, hoarding, etc.) (Only 720)
- B = Buying/Receiving
- C = Cultivating/Manufacturing/Publishing (i.e., production of any type)
- D = Distributing/Selling
- E = Exploiting Children
- F = Organized Abuse (Dog Fighting and Cock Fighting) (Only 720)
- I = Intentional Abuse or Torture (tormenting, mutilating, maiming, poisoning, or abandonment) (Only 720)
- O = Operating/Promoting/Assisting
- P = Possessing/Concealing

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S = Animal Sexual Abuse (Bestiality) (Only 720)
T = Transporting/Transmitting/Importing
U = Using/Consuming
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The offenders published and sold pornographic photographs of children. Because up to three types of activity may be entered, the agency should enter C = Cultivating/Manufacturing/ Publishing, D = Distributing/ Selling, and E = Exploiting Children.

## Example 2

Police received a telephone complaint from a person whose neighbor was leaving her dog outside in extreme heat without food or water daily. Police responded to the call and found a German Shepherd that was breathing heavily and appeared to be very thin. Police contacted the owner of the dog, who denied the allegations. Police arrested the dog's owner and charged her with Animal Cruelty. The agency should enter the criminal activity as 720 = Animal Cruelty with a data value of A = Simple/Gross Neglect.

## Example 3

Police received a 911 call about someone shooting squirrels. The police respond to the call and find a squirrel lying in the road with a gunshot wound. Police identify the shooter, squirrel season is underway, and the shooter has a valid hunting license and is **NOT** breaking any other laws. The act of hunting is not considered to be animal cruelty, therefore no offense should be reported, provided the hunting location is legal.

#### **Example 4**

An undercover law enforcement investigation uncovers a dog-fighting contest that occurs every Saturday evening in a local community. The following week, law enforcement officers show up at the contest with a warrant and make numerous arrests. The agency should report data value 720 = Animal Cruelty into Data Element 12 (Type Criminal Activity/Gang Information). Data values F = Organized Abuse and I = Intentional Abuse or Torture (tormenting, mutilating, maiming, poisoning, or abandonment) should be entered for the type of criminal activity.

#### **Gang Information**

Also, LEAs should use this data element to describe the type, or lack of presence, of an offender's gang activity for incidents involving the following offenses:

09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter 09B = Negligent Manslaughter 100 = Kidnapping/Abduction 120 = Robbery 11A = Rape
11B = Sodomy
11C = Sexual Assault With An Object
11D = Fondling
13A = Aggravated Assault
13B = Simple Assault
13C = Intimidation

## Valid Data Values (Gang Information)

LEAs should enter up to two gang information codes for each offense above:

G = Other Gang (membership is predominantly 18 years of age or older)
 J = Juvenile Gang (membership is predominantly juvenile [under 18 years of age])
 N = None/Unknown (Mutually Exclusive)

For NIBRS reporting purposes, a gang is an ongoing organization, association, or group of three or more persons who have a common interest and/or activity characterized by the commission of or involvement in a pattern of criminal or delinquent conduct. If an agency establishes gang involvement with any of the offenses above, the agency should use the predominant age of the associated gang's membership (and not the offender's age) to determine whether J = Juvenile Gang or G = Other Gang should be entered.

Juvenile Gang refers to a group of persons who go about together or act in concert, especially for antisocial or criminal purposes; typically, adolescent members 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 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.

#### Example 5

Two females, aged 19, were riding bicycles through a neighborhood. Three males approached them and forced them to stop. They exchanged words and one of the males attacked the bicyclists. Each of the three attackers, one, aged 16, and the other two, aged 17, had identical tattoos on their upper right arm. This marking was commonly associated with a local gang. The NIBRS entry should be J = Juvenile Gang.

## Data Element 13 (Type Weapon/Force Involved)

In Data Element 13, LEAs can indicate up to three types of weapons or force used by the offender in incidents involving the following offenses:

09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter 09B = Negligent Manslaughter 09C = Justifiable Homicide 100 = Kidnapping/Abduction 11A = Rape11B = Sodomy 11C = Sexual Assault With An Object 11D = Fondling 120 = Robbery13A = Aggravated Assault 13B = Simple Assault 210 = Extortion/Blackmail 520 = Weapon Law Violations 521 = Violation of National Firearm Act of 1934\* 522 = Weapons of Mass Destruction\* 526 = Explosives\* 64A = Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts 64B = Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude

\*Denotes offenses for federal and tribal LEA reporting only

When reporting the weapons used, select the most specific weapon type listed, e.g., LEAs should report a revolver as Handgun rather than Firearm. If a weapon was used that could be employed in several ways, choose the weapon type that indicates how the weapon was used. For example, if the offender used a bottle in the commission of a murder, report Blunt Object if the victim was beaten or Knife/Cutting Instrument if the offender cut or stabbed the victim with the bottle.

The FBI UCR Program defines an automatic firearm as any firearm that shoots, or is designed to shoot, more than one shot at a time by a single pull of the trigger without manual reloading. If the weapon was an automatic firearm, LEAs should add an A as a suffix to its weapon data value, e.g., 13A = Automatic Rifle. Do **NOT** include semi-automatic as an automatic weapon.

As a result of the APB recommendation to collect Vehicular Manslaughter offenses as Negligent Manslaughter, "/Vessel" will be added to the end of data value 35 = Motor Vehicle.

## Valid Data Values

11 = Firearm 12 = Handgun 13 = Rifle14 = Shotgun 15 = Other Firearm 20 = Knife/Cutting Instrument (knives, razors, hatchets, axes, cleavers, scissors, glass, broken bottles, ice picks, etc.) 30 = Blunt Object (baseball bats, butt of handgun, clubs, bricks, jack handles, tire irons, bottles, etc.) 35 = Motor Vehicle/Vessel 40 = Personal Weapons (hands, fist, feet, arms, teeth, etc.) 50 = Poison 60 = Explosives 65 = Fire/Incendiary Device 70 = Drugs/Narcotics/Sleeping Pills 85 = Asphyxiation 90 = Other (BB guns, pellet guns, Tasers, pepper spray, stun guns, etc.) 95 = Unknown 99 = None (Mutually Exclusive)

## Example 1

Three robbers held up a bank. One offender brandished a revolver, the second had a sawed-off shotgun, and the third had an automatic machine gun. The weapon data values should be 12 = Handgun, 14 = Shotgun, and 15A = Automatic Other Firearm.

## Example 2

The driver of one boat struck another boat while on a lake. The driver was determined to be intoxicated after failing a battery of field sobriety tests. A passenger in the other boat died as a result of the injuries sustained in the crash. As a result, the driver at fault was charged with Negligent Manslaughter. The weapon data value should be 35 = Motor Vehicle/Vessel.

## Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.)

Agencies should use Data Element 14 to describe the type(s) of property loss, recovery, seizure, etc., that occurred in an incident. LEAs should report separate property information for each type of loss/etc., when the incident involved Kidnapping/Abduction, Crimes Against Property, Drug/Narcotic Offenses, and Gambling Offenses.

An agency should report property stolen in its jurisdiction only. Likewise, only the agency that reported the property stolen can report the property recovered even if another jurisdiction recovered the property.

## Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter one for each type of property loss:

- 1 = None
- 2 = Burned (includes damage caused in fighting the fire)
- 3 = Counterfeited/Forged
- 4 = Destroyed/Damaged/Vandalized
- 5 = Recovered (to impound property that was previously stolen)
- 6 = Seized (to impound property that was not previously stolen)
- 7 = Stolen/Etc. (includes bribed, defrauded, embezzled, extorted, ransomed, robbed, etc.)

8 = Unknown

#### Example 1

For Arson, the entries could be 1 = None (an attempt with no property burned), 2 = Burned (property burned), or 8 = Unknown (not known whether property burned).

#### Example 2

For Burglary, the entries could be 1 = None (an attempted burglary or the structure was entered but no property was taken), 7 = Stolen/Etc. (property was taken), 5 = Recovered (stolen property was recovered), or 8 = Unknown (it is not known whether property was taken).

#### Example 3

If the same incident involved both Arson and Burglary, the choices of property loss/etc. codes shown in Examples 1 and 2 would apply depending on the circumstances.

#### Data Element 15 (Property Description)

LEAs should use Data Element 15 to report descriptions of the property that was burned, counterfeited/forged, destroyed/damaged/vandalized, recovered, seized, stolen, bribed, defrauded, embezzled, extorted, ransomed, robbed, etc., as a result of the incident. LEAs can report up to ten property descriptions per type of property loss, etc. If more than ten types of property are involved, the nine most valuable should be specified with property description codes and the remaining properties combined and coded as 77 = Other.

The UCR Program realizes there may be more than one possible choice to describe property. LE personnel should use their best judgment in reporting the property description after investigating the crime and considering the circumstances surrounding the crime and the use of the property during the commission of the crime.

For example, full-size vans, both regular wheelbase and extended wheelbase, may be classified as either 05 = Buses, 28 = Recreational Vehicles, or 37 = Trucks depending on the vehicle configuration, i.e., vans with rows of seats (05 = Buses), custom vans with temporary lodging accommodations (28 = Recreational Vehicles), or work vans with primarily cargo areas (37 = Trucks).

## Valid Data Values

Data Value	Data Value Includes
01 = Aircraft	machines or devices capable of atmospheric flight; airplanes, helicopters, dirigibles, gliders, ultra- lights, hot air balloons, blimps, etc.
	Note: This data value does not include toy planes; LEAs should classify these as 19 = Merchandise or 77 = Other, as appropriate.
02 = Alcohol	any intoxicating liquors containing alcohol used for human consumption; alcoholic beverages, i.e., beer, wine, and liquor
	<b>Note:</b> Denatured alcohol may be classified as either 45 = Chemicals or 64 = Fuel depending on how it was used in the incident. LEAs should classify rubbing alcohol as 08 = Consumable Goods.
03 = Automobiles	any passenger vehicles designed for operation on ordinary roads and typically having four wheels and a motor with the primary purpose of transporting people other than public transportation; sedans, taxicabs, minivans, sport-utility vehicles, limousines, and other similar motor vehicles
04 = Bicycles	vehicles usually propelled by pedals, connected to the wheel by a chain, and have handlebars for steering and a saddle-like seat; tandem bicycles, unicycles, and tricycles

Data Value	Data Value Includes
05 = Buses	motor vehicles specifically designed,
	but not necessarily used, to transport
	groups of people on a commercial
	basis; trolleys,
	school/coach/tourist/double-decker
	buses, commercial vans, etc.
06 = Clothes/Furs	garments for the body, articles of
	dress, wearing apparel for human use;
	accessories such as belts, shoes,
	scarves, ties, etc.; eyewear/glasses,
	hearing aids, etc.
07 = Computer Hardware/Software	electrical components making up a
	computer system, written programs/
	procedures/rules/associated
	documentation pertaining to the
	operation of a computer system stored
	in read/write memory; computers,
	printers, storage media, video games,
	software packages, video consoles such
	as Wii <sup>®</sup> , PlayStation <sup>®</sup> , and Xbox <sup>®</sup>
08 = Consumable Goods	expendable items used by humans for
	nutrition, enjoyment, or hygiene; food,
	non-alcoholic beverages, grooming
	products, cigarettes, firewood, etc.
09 = Credit/Debit Cards	cards and/or the account number
	associated with the cards that function
	like a check and through which
	payments or credit for purchases or
	services are made electronically to the
	bank accounts of participating
	establishments directly from the
	cardholders' accounts; automated
	teller machine (ATM) cards, electronic
	benefit transfer (EBT) cards
	<b>Note:</b> This data value does not include
	gift cards; LEAs should classify these as
	77 = Other.
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Data Value	Data Value Includes
10 = Drugs/Narcotics	substances such as narcotics or
	hallucinogens that affect the central
	nervous system causing changes in
	behavior and often addiction;
	prescription, over-the-counter, legal,
	and illegal drugs
11 = Drug/Narcotic Equipment	unlawful articles, items, products, etc.
	used to prepare and consume drugs or
	narcotics; glass pipes, bongs, pop cans,
	methamphetamine (meth) labs, etc.
12 = Farm Equipment	any kind of machinery used on a farm
	to conduct farming; tractors, combines,
	etc.
13 = Firearms	weapons that fire a projectile by force
	of an explosion; handguns, rifles,
	shotguns, assault rifles,
	semiautomatics, homemade guns, flare
	guns, etc.
	Note: This data value does not include
	"BB," pellet, or gas-powered guns. LEAs
	should classify these as 80 = Weapons
	– Other.
14 = Gambling Equipment	any equipment or devices used to
	produce, manufacture, or perpetrate
	gambling; slot machines, keno, card
	tables, poker chips, bingo, raffles,
	lottery tickets, etc.
15 = Heavy Construction/Industrial Equipment	large-scale equipment used in the
	construction of buildings, roads, etc.;
	cranes, bulldozers, steamrollers, oil-
	drilling rigs, backhoes, excavators, etc.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
16 = Household Goods	items normally used to furnish a residence; furniture, appliances, utensils, air conditioning/heating equipment, mailboxes, household lighting, etc.
	Note: This data value does not include radios, televisions, digital video disc (DVD) or compact disc (CD) players, etc.; LEAs should classify these as 26 = Radios/TVs/VCRs/DVD Players and the media for such devices as 27 = Recordings – Audio/Visual.
17 = Jewelry/Precious Metals/Gems	articles made of gold, silver, precious stones, etc. used for personal adornment; bracelets, necklaces, rings, watches, platinum, loose gems, etc.
18 = Livestock	domesticated animals raised for home use or profit; cattle, chickens, hogs, horses, sheep, bees, household pets such as dogs and cats if commercially raised for profit, animals raised and/or used for illegal gambling, e.g., dogs, roosters, etc.
19 = Merchandise	Items or goods which are exposed or held for sale <b>Note:</b> LEAs should use a more specific data value whenever possible.
20 = Money	any circulating medium of exchange, legal tender, currency; coins, paper money, demand deposits, etc.; counterfeited currency
21 = Negotiable Instruments	documents, other than currency, that are payable without restriction; an unconditional promise or order of payment to a holder upon issue, possession, on demand, or at a specific time; endorsed checks (including forged checks that have been endorsed), endorsed money orders, endorsed traveler's checks, bearer checks, and bearer bonds

Data Value	Data Value Includes
22 = Non-Negotiable Instruments	documents requiring further action to become negotiable; unendorsed checks, money orders, traveler's checks, stocks, bonds, blank checks, etc.
23 = Office-type Equipment	<ul> <li>items normally used in an office or business setting; calculators, cash registers, copying machines, facsimile machines, shredders, etc.</li> <li>Note: LEAs should use a more specific data value whenever possible.</li> </ul>
24 = Other Motor Vehicles	motorized vehicles that do not fit the definition of automobile, bus, truck, or recreational vehicle; motorcycles, motor scooters, trail bikes, mopeds, snowmobiles, motorized golf carts, motorized wheelchairs, all-terrain vehicles, go-carts, Segways <sup>®</sup> , etc.
25 = Purses/Handbags/Wallets	bags or pouches used for carrying articles such as money, credit/debit cards, keys, photographs, and other miscellaneous items; briefcases, fanny packs, and backpacks when used as a purse or wallet
26 = Radios/TVs/VCRs/DVD Players	items used to transmit audible signals and visual images of moving and stationary objects; high fidelity and stereo equipment, CD players, MP3 players, cable boxes, etc. <b>Note:</b> This data value does not include radios/stereos installed in vehicles; LEAs should classify these as 38 = Vehicle Parts/ Accessories.
27 = Recordings – Audio/Visual	phonograph records or blank or recorded tapes or discs upon which the user records sound and/or visual images; compact discs (CDs), digital video discs (DVDs), cassettes, VHS tapes, etc.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
28 = Recreational Vehicles	motor vehicles that are specifically
	designed, but not necessarily used, to
	transport people and also provide
	them temporary lodging for
	recreational purposes; motor homes
29 = Structures – Single Occupancy Dwellings	buildings occupied by single families,
	individuals, or housemates, commonly
	referred to as houses, mobile homes,
	townhouses, duplexes, etc.
30 = Structures – Other Dwellings	any other residential dwellings not
	meeting the definition of 29 =
	Structures – Single Occupancy
	Dwellings; apartments, tenements,
	flats, boarding houses, dormitories;
	temporary living quarters such as
	hotels, motels, inns, bed and breakfasts
31 = Structures – Other Commercial/Business	buildings designated for or occupied by
	enterprises engaged in the buying and
	selling of commodities or services,
	commercial trade, or forms of gainful
	activity that have the objective of
	supplying commodities; stores, office
	buildings, restaurants, etc.
32 = Structures – Industrial/Manufacturing	buildings designated for or occupied by
	enterprises engaged in the production
	or distribution of goods, refined and
	unrefined, for use by industry;
	factories, plants, assembly lines, etc.
33 = Structures – Public/Community	buildings used by a group of people for
	social/cultural/group/recreational
	activities, common interests, classes,
	etc.; colleges, hospitals, jails, libraries,
	meeting halls, passenger terminals,
	religious buildings, schools, sports
	arenas, etc.
34 = Structures – Storage	buildings used for storing goods,
	belongings, merchandise, etc.; barns,
	garages, storehouses, warehouses,
	sheds, etc.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
35 = Structures – Other	any other types of structures not fitting the descriptions of the previous types of structures listed ( in Data Values 29 through 34); outbuildings, monuments, buildings under constructions, etc.
36 = Tools	hand-held implements that are used in accomplishing work; hand and power tools
37 = Trucks	motor vehicles which are specifically designed, but not necessarily used, to transport cargo on a commercial basis, or vehicles designed for transporting loads
38 = Vehicle Parts/Accessories	items attached to the inside or outside of a vehicle; motor vehicle batteries, engines, transmissions, heaters, hubcaps, tires, radios, CD/DVD players, automotive global positioning system (GPS) navigation systems, Radar Device, etc.
39 = Watercraft	vehicles used in the water, propelled by a motor, paddle, or sail; motorboats, sailboats, canoes, fishing boats, jet skis, etc.
41 = Aircraft Parts/Accessories	parts or accessories of an aircraft, whether inside or outside <b>Note:</b> This data value does not include aircrafts that are intact or model/toy planes; LEAs should classify complete aircraft as 01 = Aircraft and model/toy planes as 77 = Other.
42 = Artistic Supplies/Accessories	items or equipment used to create or maintain paintings, sculptures, crafts, etc.; frames, oil paints, clay

Data Value	Data Value Includes
43 = Building Materials	items used to construct buildings; lumber, concrete, gravel, drywall, bricks, plumbing supplies, uninstalled windows, uninstalled doors, etc.
	<b>Note:</b> This data value does not include items stolen from a completed building. LEAs should classify copper wire, aluminum, etc., as 71 = Metals, Non-Precious.
44 = Camping/Hunting/Fishing Equipment/Supplies	items, tools, or objects used for recreational camping, hunting, or fishing; tents, camp stoves, fishing poles, sleeping bags, etc.
	<b>Note:</b> LEAs should classify rifles, pistols, and shotguns as 13 = Firearms.
45 = Chemicals	substances with distinct molecular compositions that are produced by or used in chemical processes; herbicides, paint thinner, insecticides, industrial or household products, solvents, fertilizers, lime, mineral oil, antifreeze, etc.
	<b>Note:</b> LEAs should classify chemicals used in conjunction with illegal drug activity as 10 = Drugs/Narcotics or 11 = Drug/Narcotic Equipment, as appropriate.
46 = Collections/Collectibles	objects that are collected because they arouse interest due to being novel, rare, bizarre, or valuable; art objects, stamp/baseball/comic book collections
	<b>Note:</b> LEAs should use a more specific data value whenever possible. For example, a collection of old guns should be classified as 13 = Firearms.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
47 = Crops	cultivated plants or agricultural produce grown for commercial, human, or livestock consumption and use that is usually sold in bulk; grains, fruits, vegetables, tobacco, cotton
	Note: This data value does not include crops that yield illegal substances. LEAs should classify crops used in conjunction with illegal drug activity as 10 = Drugs/ Narcotics or 11 = Drug/Narcotic Equipment, as appropriate.
48 = Documents/Personal or Business	includes affidavits, applications, certificates, credit card documents, savings account books, titles, deposit slips, pawn shop slips, patents, blueprints, bids, proposals, personal files, and U.S. mail
	<b>Note:</b> This data value does not include identity documents (65 = Identity Documents)
49 = Explosives	devices that explode or cause an explosion; bombs, dynamite, Molotov cocktails, fireworks, ammunition, etc.
59 = Firearm Accessories	items used in conjunction with a firearm to improve ease of use or maintenance; gun belts, cases, cleaning tools/equipment, targets, aftermarket stocks, laser sights, rifle/spotting/handgun scopes
64 = Fuel	products used to produce energy; coal, gasoline, diesel, biodiesel, natural gas, oil
65 = Identity Documents	formal documents and/or their numbers that provide proof pertaining to a specific individual's identity; passports, visas, driver's licenses, Social Security cards, alien registration cards, voter registration cards, etc.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
66 = Identity – Intangible	sets of characteristics or behavioral or
	personal traits by which an entity or
	person is recognized or known;
	damaged reputation, disclosed
	confidential information, etc.
67 = Law Enforcement Equipment	anything specifically used by LE
	personnel during the performance of
	their official duties; vests, uniforms,
	handcuffs, flashlights, nightsticks,
	badges, etc.; canines (K-9s), horses,
	Tasers, etc.
	Note: This data value does not include
	firearms. LEAs should classify firearms
	as
	13 = Firearms and should select the
	most appropriate motor vehicle or
	other mobile property data value when
	applicable, e.g.,
	01 = Aircraft, 39 = Watercraft, 24 =
	Other Motor Vehicles.
68 = Lawn/Yard/Garden Equipment	equipment used for maintaining and
	decorating lawns and yards; mowers,
	line trimmers, tools, tillers, etc.
	Note: This data value does not include
	plants, trees, fountains, bird baths, etc.
69 = Logging Equipment	equipment specifically used by logging
	industry personnel during the
	performance of their duties; choker
	cables, binders, blocks, etc.
70 = Medical/Medical Lab Equipment	equipment specifically used in the
	medical field; X-ray machines, testing
	equipment, MRI (magnetic resonance
	imaging) machines, ultrasound
	machines, wheelchairs, stethoscopes,
	etc.

Data Value	Data Value Includes
71 = Metals, Non-Precious	base metals or alloys possessing luster, malleability, ductility, and conductivity of electricity and heat; ferrous and non-ferrous metals such as iron, steel, tin, aluminum, copper, brass, copper wire, copper pipe, etc.
72 = Musical Instruments	instruments relating to or capable of producing music; percussion, brass, woodwind, and string instruments, etc.; guitar strings, picks, drum sticks, etc.
73 = Pets	animals kept for pleasure or companionship, other than livestock; cats, dogs, household birds, fish, rodents, reptiles, and exotic animals raised as pets and not for profit
74 = Photographic/Optical Equipment	equipment used to take photographs and/or relating to the science of optics or optical equipment; cameras, camcorders, telescopes, lenses, prisms, optical scanners, binoculars, monoculars, etc. <b>Note:</b> This data value does not include camera phones. LEAs should classify these as 75 = Portable Electronic
75 = Portable Electronic Communications	Communications. electronic devices used to communicate audible or visual messages; cell phones, camera phones, pagers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), BlackBerrys <sup>®</sup> , Gameboy <sup>®</sup> , iPads <sup>®</sup> , iPods <sup>®</sup> , Kindles <sup>®</sup> , Nooks <sup>®</sup> , etc.
76 = Recreational/Sports Equipment	equipment and materials used for recreational purposes, or during sports activities; skis, balls, gloves, weights, nets, bats, rackets, team uniforms, etc.
77 = Other	all other property not fitting the specific descriptions of the data values identified

Data Value	Data Value Includes
78 = Trailers	transportation devices designed to be hauled by a motor vehicle; truck trailers, semi-trailers, utility trailers, farm trailers, etc.
79 = Watercraft Equipment/Parts/Accessories	watercraft equipment or accessories that are used for the crafts' maintenance or operation; buoys, life preservers, paddles, sails
	<b>Note:</b> This data value does not include accessories for water sports. LEAs should classify these as 76 = Recreational/Sports Equipment.
80 = Weapons – Other	weapons not classified under other categories; knives, swords, nunchakus, brass knuckles, crossbows, bows and arrows, pepper spray, Tasers, sling shots, "BB" guns, pellet guns, gas- powered guns, paintball guns, etc.
88 = Pending Inventory	items whose property description is unknown until the LEA conducts an inventory

## Example 1

If a house was destroyed by arson and the homeowners were away on an overseas trip, making it impossible to determine the property loss until their return, the agency should enter 88 = Pending Inventory.

**Note:** LEAs should update the property information with entries describing the type(s) of burned property when the results of the inventory are subsequently determined.

#### Example 2

The following property was stolen as the result of a burglary: (1) a \$10,000 stamp collection, (2) jewelry worth \$5,000, (3) an \$1,800 personal computer, (4) clothes worth \$1,500, (5) silverware worth \$800, (6) a \$650 TV, (7) \$450 in stereo equipment, (8) a \$400 microwave oven, (9) \$350 in cash, (10) a \$250 copier (11) a \$150 shotgun, (12) a \$100 bicycle, (13) two credit cards (no value), and (14) ten blank personal checks (no value).

The stamp collection should be coded as 46 = Collections/Collectibles. The jewelry and silverware should be entered as code 17 = Jewelry/Precious Metals/Gems, the personal

computer as 07 = Computer Hardware/Software, the clothes as 06 = Clothes/Furs, the TV and stereo equipment as 26 = Radios/TVs/VCRs/DVD Players, the microwave oven as 16 = Household Goods, the cash as 20 = Money, the copier as 23 = Office-type Equipment, and the shotgun as 13 = Firearms. Because more than ten items were taken, the bicycle, the two credit cards, and the ten blank personal checks should be coded as 77 = Other.

# Data Element 16 (Value of Property)

Agencies should use Data Element 16 (Value of Property) to enter the total dollar value (in whole dollars) of the property burned (including damage caused in fighting the fire), counterfeited, destroyed/damaged/vandalized, recovered, seized, stolen, etc., as a result of an incident.

LEAs can enter up to ten values to match the up to ten property descriptions (Data Element 15) associated with each Property Segment (i.e., each type of property loss/etc.) in the incident. If more than ten types of property are involved, the values of the nine most valuable, coded properties should be entered; then, the total value of the remaining properties combined which were coded as 77 = Other in Data Element 15 should be combined and then entered.

If the value of a property is unknown, the agency should enter the value one dollar (\$1), which means unknown.

An agency should report only the value of the property stolen in its jurisdiction. Likewise, the agency that originally reported the property stolen should report the value of the property as recovered, regardless of whether another agency recovered the property. This procedure applies to all stolen property, including motor vehicles. (Some agencies find it valuable to maintain separate records on property they recover for other jurisdictions.)

The valid data values to be used in Data Element 16 (Value of Property) are 1 – 999,999,999; 1 = Unknown, i.e., 000000001, should be entered.

## **Additional Considerations**

When LEAs seize drugs or narcotics in a drug case, they should report no value for this data element, but should report the estimated quantity of the drugs or narcotics. Therefore, when the offense is 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations, the data value of 6 = Seized should be entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.) and 10 = Drugs/Narcotics should be entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description). The agency should enter no value into this data element; instead, agencies should use Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type), Data Element 21 (Estimated Drug Quantity), and Data Element 22 (Type Drug Measurement).

When drugs or narcotics are involved in other types of crime (e.g., they were stolen through burglary, robbery, theft, etc., or destroyed by arson) their value should be entered into this data element, and Data Elements 20, 21, and 22 should be left blank.

### **Guidelines for Property Valuation**

Questions frequently arise as to how to valuate property involved in a criminal incident. The FBI UCR Program suggests the following guidelines:

- 1. Round values to the nearest whole dollar.
- 2. Use the fair market value for articles subject to depreciation because of wear and tear, age, or other factors causing the value to decrease with use.
- 3. Use the victim's valuation (in most instances) of items such as jewelry, watches, and other similar goods that decrease in value slightly or not at all with use or age.
- 4. Use replacement cost or actual cash cost to victim for new or almost new clothes, auto accessories, bicycles, etc.
- 5. Use the current market price at the time of the theft, seizure, etc. for negotiable instruments such as bonds payable to the bearer, etc.
- 6. Score the theft of non-negotiable instruments such as traveler's checks, personal checks, money orders, stocks, bonds, food stamps, etc., but do not record a value.
- 7. Use the cost to the merchant (wholesale cost) of goods recovered, seized, stolen, etc., from retail establishments, warehouses, etc. In other words, use the dollar value representing the actual cash loss to the victim without any markup or profit added.
- 8. When the victim obviously exaggerates the value of stolen/destroyed/damaged property for insurance or other purposes, LEAs should use common sense and good judgment to determine the value reported for the stolen items.
- 9. Often the condition of the property is different at recovery than it was when stolen. LEAs should use the market value at the time of recovery even though it is less than the value reported at the time of the theft. If the value has increased by the time LE recovers the property, the recovery value should not exceed its initial stolen value. Hair-splitting refinements are unnecessary.

**Note:** LEAs may use any type of resource to determine the value of property including the Internet, Craigslist, eBay, Kelley Blue Book, etc.

## Example 1

Two bicycles belonging to two victims were stolen at the same time and place—one was worth \$300 and the other \$150. The agency should enter a data value of 04 = Bicycles Data Element 15 (Property Description) and the total value of the bicycles, 450 (\$300 + \$150 = \$450) into Data Element 16 (Value of Property).

## Example 2

The following property was stolen as the result of a burglary: (1) a \$10,000 stamp collection, (2) jewelry worth \$5,000, (3) an \$1,800 personal computer, (4) clothes worth \$1,500,

(5) silverware worth \$800, (6) a \$650 TV, (7) \$450 in stereo equipment, (8) a \$400 microwave oven, (9) \$350 in cash, (10) a \$250 copier (11) a \$150 shotgun, (12) a \$100 bicycle, (13) two credit cards (no value), and (14) ten blank personal checks (no value).

The values for each specifically coded property should be: \$10,000 for data value 46 (the stamp collection), \$5,800 for data value 17 (the jewelry and silverware), \$1,800 for data value 07 (the personal computer), \$1,500 for data value 06 (the clothes), \$1,100 for data value 26 (the TV and stereo equipment), \$400 for data value 16 (the microwave oven), \$350 for data value 20 (the cash), \$250 for data value 23 (the copier), and \$150 for data value 13 (the shotgun). Because more than ten items were taken, the value of the bicycle, the two credit cards, and the ten blank personal checks should be combined and their value (\$100) entered under data value 77 = Other.

# Data Element 17 (Date Recovered)

If an LEA recovers property previously stolen in their jurisdiction, they should report the month, day, and year of its recovery in Data Element 17. Accordingly, this data element should be used only if data value 5 = Recovered is entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.). If the recovery date is unknown, enter the date of the report.

LEAs may report up to ten dates of recovery to match each of the up to ten property descriptions associated with each type of property loss/etc. in the incident. If there is more than one date of recovery for the same Property Description, the agency should report the earliest date.

**Note:** LEAs should report recovered property only if they also first reported the property stolen.

## Example

On March 28, 2018, a thief stole three cars from a used car lot. An LEA recovered one of the cars on April 1, 2018. On April 24, 2018, they recovered a second car. The date reported for this data element should be 20180401.

# Data Element 18 (Number of Stolen Motor Vehicles)

LEAs should use Data Element 18 to report the number of motor vehicles that were stolen in a Motor Vehicle Theft incident. Agencies should use this data element only if the offense is 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft, 7 = Stolen was entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.), and 03 = Automobiles, 05 = Buses, 24 = Other Motor Vehicles, 28 = Recreational Vehicles, or 37 = Trucks was entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description). If the number of vehicles stolen is unknown, the agency should enter 00 = Unknown. LEAs should not report motor vehicles taken as the proceeds of other offenses (e.g., Burglary, Fraud, Embezzlement, etc.) In NIBRS, agencies may report up to 99 vehicles stolen per incident.

# Data Element 19 (Number of Recovered Motor Vehicles)

Data Element 19 indicates how many motor vehicles an LEA recovered in a motor vehicle theft incident. Agencies should use this data element only if the offense is 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft, 5 = Recovered was entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.), and 03 = Automobiles, 05 = Buses, 24 = Other Motor Vehicles, 28 = Recreational Vehicles, or 37 = Trucks was entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description). If the number of recovered vehicles is unknown, the agency should report 00 = Unknown. The agency should not report motor vehicles recovered as the proceeds of other offenses, i.e., Burglary, Fraud, Embezzlement, etc. In NIBRS, agencies can report up to 99 vehicles recovered per incident.

# Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type)

Data Element 20 identifies the types of drugs or narcotics the LEA seized in a drug case. Agencies should use this data element in the following two instances: (1) one of the offenses in the incident was 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations, 6 = Seized was entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.), and data value 10 = Drugs/Narcotics was entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description); or (2) one of the offenses is 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations and 1 = None is entered in Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.). This applies to drugs the offenders flushed down a toilet, swallowed, or the LEA used as part of an undercover investigation.

LEAs can report up to three types of drugs or narcotics per incident. If more than three are involved, the two most important (as determined by the reporting agency taking into account the quantity, value, and deadliness of the drugs or narcotics) should be reported under their applicable drug types and the remaining drugs or narcotics should be entered as a single X = Over 3 Drug Types entry.

LEAs should not use this data element when they find drugs or narcotics burned, stolen, etc., in connection with other offenses, such as arson, burglary/breaking and entering, or larceny/theft.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter up to three drug types per incident:

- A = Crack Cocaine
- B = Cocaine (all forms except Crack)
- C = Hashish
- D = Heroin
- E = Marijuana
- F = Morphine
- G = Opium
- H = Other Narcotics: Codeine; Demerol; Dihydromorphinone or Dilaudid; Hydrocodone or Percodan; Methadone; Pentazocine; Propoxyphene or Darvon; etc.
- I = LSD

J = PCP

- K = Other Hallucinogens: BMDA or White Acid; DMT; MDA; MDMA; Mescaline or Peyote; Psilocybin; STP; Spice; Dronabinol or Marinol; etc.
- L = Amphetamines/Methamphetamines (includes Methcathinone)
- M = Other Stimulants: Adipex, Fastine, and Ionamin (Derivatives of Phentermine); Benzedrine; Didrex; Khat; Bath Salts; Methylphenidate or Ritalin; Phenmetrazine or Preludin; Tenuate; etc.
- N = Barbiturates
- O = Other Depressants: Glutethimide or Doriden, Methaqualone or Quaalude, or Talwin; etc.
- P = Other Drugs: Antidepressants (Elavil, Triavil, Tofranil, etc.); Aromatic Hydrocarbons; Tranquilizers (Chlordiazepoxide or Librium, Diazepam or Valium, etc.); Steroids; etc.
- U = Unknown Type Drug
- X = Over 3 Drug Types

**Note:** Only agencies in jurisdictions where the possession of Spice, also known as K2, is illegal should report offenses and/or arrests for the drug. Spice is a synthetic, cannabinoid herbal substance that, when smoked, produces a Marijuana-like high. However, agencies should not classify Spice as Marijuana for crime reporting purposes. Because it has been known to cause hallucinations in some users, the Chemical Unit at the FBI Laboratory has advised that agencies should report the drugs as K = Other Hallucinogens.

### Example

In a drug case, an LEA seized the following drugs: (1) 1.5 kilograms of Crack, (2) 2.125 pounds of Marijuana, (3) 2.0 liquid ounces of Morphine, and (4) 500 Valium capsules. The agency should enter A = Crack Cocaine, E = Marijuana, and X = Over 3 Drug Types as a single entry for the Morphine and Valium because more than three types of drugs were seized.

**Note:** When more than three types of drugs are involved, the two most important drugs (as determined by the reporting agency based on the quantity, value, and deadliness of the drugs/narcotics) should be reported in Drug Type 1 and Drug Type 2; X = Over 3 Drug Types should be entered in Drug Type 3.

# Data Element 21 (Estimated Drug Quantity)

LEAs should use Data Element 21 to indicate the quantity of drugs or narcotics seized in a drug case. Therefore, LEAs should use it only if one of the offenses in the incident was 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations, 6 = Seized was entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/ Etc.), and 10 = Drugs/Narcotics was entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description).

The *NIBRS Technical Specification* indicates nine characters are available to enter the number of whole pounds, ounces, grams, etc., and three more characters are available to enter the decimal amount (i.e., the quantity expressed in thousandths). Because the decimal is implied,

agencies should not enter a decimal point into Data Element 21. LEAs should enter trace amounts of a drug as "00000000001" in this data element.

If the substance was sent to a laboratory for analysis, and a response has not yet been received, then agencies must enter 1 = None (i.e., 00000001000) into Data Element 21 to indicate None. LEAs must update this interim report with the true quantity once the response arrives.

LEAs may enter up to three quantities to match the up-to-three drug types reported in Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type). If more than three drugs or narcotics are involved, the quantities of the two most important (as determined by the reporting agency taking into account their quantity, value, and deadliness) should be entered. Agencies should not enter the quantity of the remaining drugs/narcotics coded as X = Over 3 Drug Types. Agencies should leave this data element blank.

Because of problems in determining the street value of drugs or narcotics, agencies should not report a monetary value when they seize the drugs or narcotics in connection with drug or narcotic violations. However, in order to obtain some measure of the drug problem, agencies should report the Estimated Quantity of seized drugs or narcotics for each Drug/Narcotic Violation in these instances.

LEAs should not use this data element when they find drugs or narcotics, connected with other offenses, e.g., Arson, Burglary/Breaking and Entering, Larceny-Theft.

# Example 1

An agency seizes 1.5 kilograms of Crack, 2.125 pounds of Marijuana, 2.0 liquid ounces of Morphine, and 500 Valium capsules. The agency should enter 000000001500 for the Crack and 000000002125 for the Marijuana into Data Element 21. The agency should not enter quantities for the Morphine or Valium.

## Example 2

LE seized 15 marijuana plants from a greenhouse inside a residence. Police also seized 5 pounds of Marijuana. The agency should enter 000000015000 for the plants and for the 000000005000 for the Marijuana. (Remember the last three digits of the field represent the tenths, hundredths, and thousandths to the right of an implied decimal.)

## Example 3

An LEA seized a bag of white powder that they suspected was drugs. They sent the powder to the laboratory for analysis. Therefore, the agency would enter 000000001000 = None into Data Element 21. In addition, the agency must update the information once the analysis is complete.

# Data Element 22 (Type Drug Measurement)

LEAs should use Data Element 22 to indicate the type of measurement used in quantifying drugs or narcotics seized in a drug case. Therefore, it should be used only if one of the offenses in an incident was 35A = Drug/Narcotic Violations, 6 = Seized was entered into Data Element 14 (Type Property Loss/Etc.), and 10 = Drugs/Narcotics was entered into Data Element 15 (Property Description).

Data Element 22 (Type Drug Measurement) can contain up to three entries, and the data values should be consistent with the data values reported for Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type). If more than three are involved, the types of measurement of the two most important drugs or narcotics (as determined by the reporting agency taking into account their quantity, value, and deadliness) should be entered. Do not enter the type of measurement for the remaining drugs or narcotics that are coded as X = Over 3 Drug Types in Data Element 20 (Suspected Drug Type); leave this data element blank.

If the substance was sent to a laboratory for analysis and a response has not yet been received, XX = Not Reported should be entered. In addition, 1 = None should be entered into Data Element 21 (Estimated Drug Quantity). When the agency receives the results of the laboratory analysis, the agency must update Data Elements 21 (Estimated Drug Quantity) and 22 (Type Drug Measurement).

LEAs should not use this data element when they find drugs or narcotics, connected with other offenses, e.g., Arson, Burglary/Breaking and Entering, Larceny/Theft.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs may enter up to three of the following measurement types in Data Element 22 (Type Drug Measurement):

Weight GM = Gram KG = Kilogram OZ = Ounce LB = Pound *Capacity* ML = Milliliter LT = Liter FO = Fluid Ounce GL = Gallon Units DU = Dosage Units/Items<sup>1</sup> NP = Number of Plants<sup>2</sup>

XX = Not Reported

<sup>1</sup>Number of capsules, pills, tablets, etc. <sup>2</sup>e.g., Marijuana plants (bushes) **Note:** When more than three types of drugs are involved, the type of measurement for the two most important drugs (as determined by the reporting agency based on the quantity, value, and deadliness of the drugs/narcotics) should be reported in Measurement Type 1 and Measurement Type 2; Measurement Type 3 should be left blank.

### Example 1

An agency seizes 1.5 kilograms of Crack, 2.125 pounds of Marijuana, 2.0 liquid ounces of Morphine, and 500 Valium capsules. The agency should enter KG = Kilogram for the Crack and LB = Pound for the Marijuana. The agency should make no entries for the Morphine or Valium.

#### Example 2

LE seized 15 marijuana plants from a greenhouse inside a residence. Police also seized 5 pounds of Marijuana. The agency should enter NP = Number of Plants for the plants and LB = Pound for the Marijuana.

#### Example 3

An LEA seized a bag of white powder, suspected to be drugs. They sent the powder to the laboratory for analysis. The agency should enter U = Unknown for Suspected Drug Type and XX = Type Drug Measurement pending laboratory results.

## Data Element 23 (Victim Sequence Number)

Victim Sequence Number is used to assign each victim in an incident a sequence number from 001 to 999. LEAs should then submit separate victim information for each numbered victim.

#### Example

If there were three victims in an incident, the LEA should report victim information for each of the three victims—one with Victim Sequence Number 001, another with 002, and the last with 003.

Some assault situations can pose difficulties in distinguishing victims. If multiple persons are involved in a dispute or disturbance and LE investigations cannot establish the aggressors from the victims, record all persons involved as both victims and offenders. (Such situations can occur with domestic disputes, barroom brawls, etc.)

# Data Element 24 (Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code)

LEAs should use Data Element 24 to link each victim to the up to ten most serious (as determined by the reporting agency) Group A offenses that were perpetrated against the victim during the incident.

### Example

An offender robbed two victims, Victim 001 and Victim 002 and also raped Victim 001. In the victim information for Victim 001, the agency should report both 120 = Robbery and 11A = Rape. In the victim information for Victim 002, the agency should submit only 120 = Robbery.

**Note:** Each offense may not affect every victim in an incident. For each victim, report only those offenses affecting the victim.

**Note:** The robbery/assault example above contains "lesser included" offenses. Mutually exclusive offenses are offenses that cannot occur to the same victim according to UCR Definitions. Lesser included offenses are offenses where one offense is an element of another offense and cannot be reported as having happened to the victim along with the other offense. (For more information about mutually exclusive/lesser included offenses, refer to the *NIBRS Technical Specification*, Data Element 24 [Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code]).

## Data Element 25 (Type of Victim)

LEAs should use Data Element 25 to categorize each victim associated with a NIBRS incident.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter only one per victim segment:

B = Business F = Financial Institution G = Government I = Individual L = Law Enforcement Officer (valid for offenses 09A, 13A, 13B, and 13C only) O = Other R = Religious Organization S = Society/Public U = Unknown

### Example

During a bank robbery, the offender pointed a gun at a teller and demanded and received money. The robber also pistol-whipped a customer who stood in his way as he made his getaway from the bank. There were three victims: the bank (F = Financial Institution), the teller (I = Individual), and the pistol-whipped customer (I = Individual). Therefore, agencies should enter the appropriate codes into their respective Victim Segments.

**Note:** When the type of victim is L = Law Enforcement Officer, agencies must report Data Elements 25A, 25B, and, if applicable, 25C. Agencies should report only the victim type of L = Law Enforcement Officer when an officer is the victim of a murder/nonnegligent manslaughter or an assault. For other types of crimes (such as Robbery), the victim type should be I = Individual.

# Data Elements 25A – 25C Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted (LEOKA)

LEAs should use Data Elements 25A, 25B, and 25C to report line-of-duty felonious killings and assaults on sworn LEOs, who have full arrest powers. LEAs should report all assaults on officers, with or without injuries.

**Note:** In April 2015, LEOKA included special role functions in its definition: "An individual serving in the capacity of a LEO at the request of a LEA whose officers meet the current collection criteria. The individual must be under the supervision of a certified LEO from the requesting agency at the time of the incident but is not required to be in the physical presence of the officer while he or she is working an assigned duty."

## Data Element 25A (Type of Officer Activity/Circumstance)

Data Element 25A—Type of Officer Activity/Circumstance—describes the type of activity that the officer was engaged at the time he or she was assaulted or killed in the line of duty.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter only one per victim segment:

- 01 = Responding to Disturbance Call (family quarrels, person with firearm, etc.)
- 02 = Burglaries in Progress or Pursuing Burglary Suspects
- 03 = Robberies in Progress or Pursuing Robbery Suspects
- 04 = Attempting Other Arrests
- 05 = Civil Disorder (riot, mass disobedience)
- 06 = Handling, Transporting, Custody of Prisoners
- 07 = Investigating Suspicious Persons or Circumstances

08 = Ambush, No Warning 09 = Handling Persons with Mental Illness 10 = Traffic Pursuits and Stops 11 = All Other

### Data Element 25B (Officer Assignment Type)

LEAs should use Data Element 25B—Officer Assignment Type—to specify the officer's type of assignment at the time he/she sustained injury or died while on duty. Code F (Two-Officer Vehicle) and codes G and H (One-Officer Vehicle Alone and Assisted, respectively) pertain to uniformed officers; codes I and J (Detective or Special Assignment Alone and Assisted, respectively) to non-uniformed officers; and codes K and L (Other Alone and Assisted, respectively) to officers assaulted or killed while in other capacities, such as foot patrol or off duty.

### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter only one per victim segment:

For Uniformed Law Enforcement Officers:

F = Two-Officer Vehicle
G = One-Officer Vehicle (Alone)
H = One-Officer Vehicle (Assisted)
For Non-Uniformed Officers:
I = Detective or Special Assignment (Alone)
J = Detective or Special Assignment (Assisted)
For Law Enforcement Officers Serving in Other Capacities (Foot patrol, Off duty, etc.):
K = Other (Alone)
L = Other (Assisted)

Note: The term "assisted" refers to LE assistance only.

#### Example 1

An agency dispatched a one-officer vehicle to the scene of a crime in progress. There were no other units to back up the officer. The perpetrator, who had committed a Burglary, immediately fired on the officer upon his arrival at the scene. The agency should report the incident as G = One-Officer (Alone).

#### Example 2

An agency dispatched a one-officer vehicle to the scene of a crime in progress. Another oneofficer vehicle answered the call as well. While attempting to apprehend the individual, the perpetrator punched one of the officers. The agency should code the incident as H = One-Officer (Assisted).

# Data Element 25C (Officer - ORI Other Jurisdiction)

An ORI is the unique nine-character identifier that the NCIC has assigned to each agency. If a perpetrator killed or assaulted a LEO who was on duty in a jurisdiction other than his/her own, the LEA having jurisdiction where the incident occurred should report the LEO killed or assaulted. The agency should use Data Element 25C to identify the ORI of the LEO's agency. The agency does not need to enter information in this data element if the officer is assaulted in his/her own jurisdiction.

### Example

On May 2, 2018, a perpetrator shot LEO. The officer was working in conjunction with a state narcotics task force in a jurisdiction outside his own duty assignment while serving a warrant on an individual known to be operating a methamphetamine lab. In reporting the incident, the covering agency should use Data Element 25C (Officer – ORI Other Jurisdiction) because the LEO was assaulted in the line of duty outside his regularly assigned jurisdiction.

## Data Element 26 (Age of Victim)

Data Element 26—Age of Victim—indicates the age or age range of an individual (person) victim in an incident *when the crime occurred*.

### Valid Data Values

01 – 98 = Years Old NN = Under 24 Hours NB = 1 – 6 Days Old BB = 7 – 364 Days Old 99 = Over 98 Years Old 00 = Unknown

Note: When the victim is a law enforcement officer, the only valid age range is 17-98.

#### Example 1

A 20-year-old female told police she was a victim of rape when she was 15 years old. The correct reported age value for Data Element 26 is 15 = 15 Years Old.

#### Example 2

If a deceased male victim appeared to be a teenager, agencies could report the Age of Victim as 13 to 19 (i.e., 1319).

## Data Element 27 (Sex of Victim)

Data Element 27—Sex of Victim—indicates the gender of an individual (person) victim in an incident.

### Valid Data Values

F = Female M = Male U = Unknown

## Data Element 28 (Race of Victim)

Data Element 28—Race of Victim—indicates the race of an individual (person) victim in an incident.

### Valid Data Values

W = White
B = Black or African American
I = American Indian or Alaska Native
A = Asian
P = Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
U = Unknown

The definitions of the racial designations are:

White—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa

Black or African American—A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa

American Indian or Alaska Native—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment

Asian—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands, e.g., individuals who are Carolinian, Fijian, Kosraean, Melanesian, Micronesian, Northern Mariana Islander, Palauan, Papua New Guinean, Ponapean (Pohnpelan), Polynesian, Solomon Islander, Tahitian, Tarawa Islander, Tokelauan, Tongan, Trukese (Chuukese), and Yapese. **Note:** The term "Native Hawaiian" does not include individuals who are native to the state of Hawaii simply by virtue of being born there.

## Data Element 29 (Ethnicity of Victim)

Data Element 29—Ethnicity of Victim—indicates the ethnicity of an individual (person) victim in an incident. This is an optional data element.

### Valid Data Values

H = Hispanic or LatinoN = Not Hispanic or LatinoU = Unknown

The ethnic designation of Hispanic or Latino includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

## Data Element 30 (Resident Status of Victim)

If the victim type entered in Data Element 25 (Type of Victim) was I = Individual, LEAs should enter the person's resident status (resident or nonresident) into Data Element 30 (Resident Status of Victim). This is an optional data element.

**Note:** Resident status does not refer to the immigration or national citizenship status of the individual. Instead, it identifies whether individuals are residents or nonresidents of the jurisdiction that the incident occurred. It also enables agencies having a high transient population to show their population at risk is higher than their official resident population.

A resident is a person who maintains his or her permanent home for legal purposes in the locality (town, city, or community) where the crime took place. Reporting agencies should base their determinations of residency on the town, city, or community where the crime occurred rather than their broader geographical jurisdictions. For university/college campuses, only persons living on campus (in dormitories, etc.) would be considered residents if victimized within the confines of the school property; a campus LEA should report the crime.

#### Valid Data Values

- N = Nonresident
- R = Resident
- U = Unknown

#### Example 1

A victim was robbed in San Diego, California, where he resides; the agency should enter R = Resident.

## Example 2

The victim of a crime was a business. Because the victim was not an individual, the agency should not use this data element.

### Data Element 31 (Aggravated Assault/Homicide Circumstances)

Data Element 31 describes the circumstances of either an Aggravated Assault or a Homicide. Therefore, LEAs should use it only with offenses of 13A = Aggravated Assault and 09A-09C = Homicide Offenses.

LEAs should base selections of circumstances on information known following their investigation, not decisions of a grand jury, coroner's inquest, or other agency outside LE. LEAs should always select the most appropriate circumstances as determined by investigation.

Traffic fatalities associated with driving under the influence, distracted driving (using a cell/smartphone, and reckless driving traffic fatalities are included as negligent manslaughters. Accidental traffic fatalities, accidental deaths (not resulting from gross negligence), or deaths of persons due to their own negligence are not to be included as Negligent Manslaughters. LEAs should report information regarding all other Negligent Manslaughters regardless of actions to prosecute.

**Note:** Data Value 06 now represents "Domestic Violence" data (see the definition of "<u>Domestic</u> and Family Violence")

## Valid Data Values for 13A = Aggravated Assault and 09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter

LEAs may enter up to two circumstances per victim segment:

- 01 = Argument
- 02 = Assault on Law Enforcement Officer
- 03 = Drug Dealing
- 04 = Gangland (Organized Crime Involvement)
- 05 = Juvenile Gang
- 06 = Domestic Violence
- 07 = Mercy Killing (Not applicable to Aggravated Assault)
- 08 = Other Felony Involved
- 09 = Other Circumstances
- 10 = Unknown Circumstances

### Valid Data Values for 09B = Negligent Manslaughter

LEAs may enter one circumstance per victim segment:

30 = Child Playing With Weapon
31 = Gun-Cleaning Accident
32 = Hunting Accident
33 = Other Negligent Weapon Handling
34 = Other Negligent Killing

**Note:** When Negligent Manslaughter offenses are reported due to the offender driving under the influence, driving distracted while using a cell/smartphone, or driving recklessly, the data value 33 = Other Negligent Weapon Handling should be used.

#### Valid Data Values for 09C = Justifiable Homicide

LEAs can enter one circumstance per victim segment:

20 = Criminal Killed by Private Citizen

21 = Criminal Killed by Police Officer

#### **06 Domestic and Family Violence**

The use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force or a weapon; or the use of coercion or intimidation; or committing a Crime Against Property by a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim; a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, parent, or guardian; or by a person who is or has been similarly situated to a spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim.

#### Example 1

Two juvenile street gangs fought over "turf rights" to sell drugs and a member of one gang killed a member of the other gang. Possible entries are 01 = Argument, 03 = Drug Dealing, and 05 = Juvenile Gang. Even though all three would apply, there is a limit of two entries. Since the agency should report the two most descriptive data values, it should report 03 = Drug Dealing and 05 = Juvenile Gang.

#### Example 2

While resisting an arrest, a fugitive brandished a gun and fired twice in the direction of two police officers who were attempting to take the fugitive into custody. Neither officer sustained

injury, but both drew their weapons and returned fire, killing the fugitive. Because this was a justifiable homicide, the agency should enter 21 = Criminal Killed by Police Officer.

## Example 3

A police officer responded to a night time disturbance call at a single family residence. Upon arriving at the scene, the officer knocked on the door. The door was answered by a man and a woman. Over the course of several minutes of questioning, the officer learned the woman was the renter of the home and the man was her ex-boyfriend. They had been arguing because the ex-boyfriend wanted to take the victims lap top. When the victim said no, the ex-boyfriend began throwing several objects around the house and ultimately struck the woman with a table lamp, causing severe lacerations. Because this incident was domestic related and the offense was aggravated assault, the agency should enter 06 = Domestic Violence

## Example 4

A police officer responded to a report of gunshots at a convenience store. Upon arrival, the officer found a crowd in front of the convenience store. He then entered the store to find a male gunshot victim and the store clerk. The clerk reported the victim and a female entered the store and had an argument that lasted several minutes. The female then shot the victim with a handgun and fled the store. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene. The female was apprehended several hours later and identified as the victim's wife. Because this incident is domestic related and the offense was murder, the agency should enter 06 = Domestic Violence.

## Data Element 32 (Additional Justifiable Homicide Circumstances)

Data Element 32—Additional Justifiable Homicide Circumstances—further describes the circumstances of a Justifiable Homicide, i.e., when an agency enters either 20 = Criminal Killed by Private Citizen or 21 = Criminal Killed by Police Officer into Data Element 31.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter one circumstance per victim segment:

- A = Criminal Attacked Police Officer and That Officer Killed Criminal
- B = Criminal Attacked Police Officer and Criminal Killed by Another Police Officer
- C = Criminal Attacked a Civilian
- D = Criminal Attempted Flight From a Crime
- E = Criminal Killed in Commission of a Crime
- F = Criminal Resisted Arrest
- G = Unable to Determine/Not Enough Information

#### Example

In the scenario given above in Example 2, while resisting an arrest, a fugitive brandished a gun and fired twice in the direction of two police officers who were attempting to take him into custody. Neither officer sustained injury, but both drew their weapons and returned fire, killing the fugitive. This was a justifiable homicide; the LEA should report the incident as 21 = Criminal Killed by Police Officer. Since the agency can report only one data value for the Additional Justifiable Homicide Circumstance, it should submit the most descriptive data value. In this case, the reporting agency should enter A = Criminal Attacked Police Officer and That Officer Killed Criminal.

## Data Element 33 (Type Injury)

When Data Element 25 (Type of Victim) is I = Individual and Data Element 6 (UCR Offense Code) is one or more of the following offenses, LEAs should use Data Element 33 (Type Injury) to describe the type of bodily injury that the victim suffered. LEAs can enter up to five Type Injury per victim.

100 = Kidnapping/Abduction
11A = Rape
11B = Sodomy
11C = Sexual Assault With An Object
11D = Fondling
120 = Robbery
13A = Aggravated Assault
13B = Simple Assault
210 = Extortion/Blackmail
64A = Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts
64B = Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude

## Valid Data Values

N = None

- B = Apparent Broken Bones I = Possible Internal Injury L = Severe Laceration
- M = Apparent Minor Injury
- O = Other Major Injury
- T = Loss of Teeth
- U = Unconsciousness

#### Example 1

The offender assaulted the victim with a tire iron, breaking the victim's arm and making a three-inch long and a one-inch deep cut on his back. The entries for the types of injuries should be B = Apparent Broken Bones and L = Severe Laceration.

#### Example 2

Because the victim was a respected religious figure, the offender blackmailed the victim regarding his sexual activities. Since he suffered no physical injury, the entry should be N = None.

## Data Element 34 (Offender Number to be Related)

LEAs should use Offender Number to be Related to enter the Offender Sequence Number (found in Data Element 36) of each offender to be identified in Data Element 35 (Relationship of Victim to Offender). Enter 00 = Unknown when Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) is 00 = Unknown Offender. When more than ten offenders are identified, LEAs should enter the ten most closely related to the victim. This data element is mandatory when one or more of the offenses reported in Data Element 24 (Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code) is a Crime Against Person or a Crime Against Property:

**Note:** Reporting the relationship of victim to offender for Crime Against Property offenses is only required for victims of I = Individual. These relationships are captured to show domestic violence incident information.

09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter 09B = Negligent Manslaughter 09C = Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime) 100 = Kidnapping/Abduction 11A = Rape11B = Sodomy 11C = Sexual Assault With An Object 11D = Fondling 120 = Robbery 13A = Aggravated Assault 13B = Simple Assault 13C = Intimidation 200 = Arson 210 = Extortion/Blackmail 220 = Burglary/Breaking & Entering 23A = Pocket-picking 23B = Purse-snatching 23C = Shoplifting

23D = Theft From Building 23E = Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device 23F = Theft From Motor Vehicle 23G = Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories 23H = All Other Larceny 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft 250 = Counterfeiting/Forgery 26A = False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game 26B = Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud 26C = Impersonation 26D = Welfare Fraud 26E = Wire Fraud 26F = Identity Theft 26G = Hacking/Computer Invasion 270 = Embezzlement 280 = Stolen Property Offenses 290 = Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property 36A = Incest 36B = Statutory Rape 510 = Bribery64A = Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts 64B = Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude

#### Valid Data Values

01 – 99 00 = Unknown Offender

#### Example

Three offenders assaulted a victim. The agency should report three data values in Data Element 34 (Offender Number to be Related) (i.e., 01, 02, 03).

#### Data Element 35 (Relationship of Victim to Offender)

The agency should use Data Element 35—Relationship of Victim to Offender—along with Data Element 34 (Offender Number to be Related), to report the relationship of the victim to the offender(s) who perpetrated a Crime Against Person or a Crime Against Property.

**Note:** Reporting the relationship of victim to offender for Crime Against Property offenses is only required for victims of I = Individual. These relationships are captured to show domestic violence incident information.

When the LEA identifies more than ten offenders, the LEA should enter the ten most closely related to the victim.

This data element is mandatory when one or more of the offenses reported in Data Element 24 (Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code) is a Crime Against Person or a Crime Against Property and Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) is other than 00 = Unknown.

09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter 09B = Negligent Manslaughter 09C = Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime) 100 = Kidnapping/Abduction 11A = Rape11B = Sodomy 11C = Sexual Assault With An Object 11D = Fondling 120 = Robbery13A = Aggravated Assault 13B = Simple Assault 13C = Intimidation 200 = Arson210 = Extortion/Blackmail 220 = Burglary/Breaking & Entering 23A = Pocket-picking 23B = Purse-snatching 23C = Shoplifting 23D = Theft From Building 23E = Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device 23F = Theft From Motor Vehicle 23G = Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories 23H = All Other Larceny 240 = Motor Vehicle Theft 250 = Counterfeiting/Forgery 26A = False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game 26B = Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud 26C = Impersonation 26D = Welfare Fraud 26E = Wire Fraud 26F = Identity Theft 26G = Hacking/Computer Invasion 270 = Embezzlement 280 = Stolen Property Offenses 290 = Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property 36A = Incest 36B = Statutory Rape 510 = Bribery

64A = Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts 64B = Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter up to ten per victim:

#### Within Family

SE = Victim Was Spouse CS = Victim Was Common-Law Spouse PA = Victim Was Parent SB = Victim Was Sibling (brother or sister) CH = Victim Was Child GP = Victim Was Grandparent GC = Victim Was Grandparent GC = Victim Was Grandchild IL = Victim Was In-law SP = Victim Was Stepparent SC = Victim Was Stepparent SC = Victim Was Stepsibling (stepbrother or stepsister) OF = Victim Was Other Family Member

#### **Outside Family But Known to Victim**

AQ = Victim Was Acquaintance FR = Victim Was Friend NE = Victim Was Neighbor BE = Victim Was the Baby/Child in the care of a Babysitter BG = Victim Was Boyfriend/Girlfriend CF = Victim Was Child of Boyfriend or Girlfriend XS = Victim Was Ex-Spouse XR = Ex-Relationship (Ex-boyfriend/ex-girlfriend) EE = Victim Was Employee

- ER = Victim Was Employer
- OK = Victim Was Otherwise Known

#### Not Known By Victim

RU = Relationship Unknown ST = Victim Was Stranger

#### Other

VO = Victim Was Offender

The agency should use the Victim Was Offender category when a participant in the incident was a victim and offender in the incident, such as domestic disputes where both husband and wife are charged with assault, double murders (two people kill each other), or barroom brawls where many participants are arrested.

When reporting these data, the LEA should keep in mind they should report the relationship of the victim to *each offender*.

**Note:** Not Known by Victim Clarification – Unknown is to be used when the relationship between the victim and offender has not been established. Stranger is used when it is known the victim did not know the offender.

#### Example 1

A fraternity was hosting a party when an altercation broke out. A fraternity brother and nine acquaintances physically assaulted the victim. The LEA should enter the information for the brother and nine of the offenders who were acquaintances.

#### Example 2

An employee assaulted his employer with his fists. The LEA should report ER = Victim Was Employer.

#### Example 3

Two unknown subjects wearing masks and gloves rob a male and female couple. The victims could not identify the age, sex, and race of the subjects. The LEA should report RU = Relationship Unknown to indicate the relationship of each victim to each offender.

## Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number)

The reporting agency should assign each offender in an incident a sequence number from 01 to 99 using Data Element 36. If the agency knows nothing about the offender(s), the agency should report 00 = Unknown Offender.

#### Valid Data Values

01 – 99 00 = Unknown Offender

**Note:** If an LEA has already assigned sequence numbers because the offenders perpetrated a Crime Against Person or Robbery, the LEA must use the same numbers.

#### Example 1

An LEA investigated an incident involving a corpse with five bullet holes who was found in an abandoned warehouse. There were no witnesses to the crime or suspects. Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number) should contain 00 = Unknown Offender.

#### Example 2

A witness saw two offenders fleeing the scene of a Burglary, but because the burglars were wearing ski masks, the witness could not determine their age, sex, or race. The reporting agency should enter offender information for both offenders—Data Element 36 (Offender Sequence Number), that contain 01 and 02, and LEAs should report applicable data values in Data Elements 37 (Age of Offender), Data Element 38 (Sex of Offender), and Data Element 39 (Race of Offender) for each offender.

## Data Element 37 (Age of Offender)

Data Element 37—Age of Offender—indicates the age or age range of an offender in an incident.

# Valid Data Values 01 – 98 = Years Old

99 = Over 98 Years Old 00 = Unknown

#### Example

If the victim or a witness reported the offender's age as between 25 and 30 years old, the LEA should report 2530 (i.e., 25 to 30 years old) into Data Element 37 (Age of Offender).

## Data Element 38 (Sex of Offender)

Data Element 38—Sex of Offender—indicates the gender of an offender in an incident.

#### Valid Data Values

F = Female M = Male U = Unknown

#### Data Element 39 (Race of Offender)

Data Element 39—Race of Offender—indicates the race of an offender in an incident.

#### Valid Data Values

W = White
B = Black or African American
I = American Indian or Alaska Native
A = Asian
P = Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
U = Unknown

The definitions of the racial designations are:

White—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Black or African American—A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

American Indian or Alaska Native—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands, e.g., individuals who are Carolinian, Fijian, Kosraean, Melanesian, Micronesian, Northern Mariana Islander, Palauan, Papua New Guinean, Ponapean (Pohnpelan), Polynesian, Solomon Islander, Tahitian, Tarawa Islander, Tokelauan, Tongan, Trukese (Chuukese), and Yapese.

**Note:** The term "Native Hawaiian" does not include individuals who are native to the state of Hawaii simply by virtue of being born there.

#### Data Element 39A (Ethnicity of Offender)

Data Element 39A—Ethnicity of Offender—indicates the ethnicity of an offender in an incident. This is an *optional* data element.

#### Valid Data Values

H = Hispanic or Latino N = Not Hispanic or Latino U = Unknown The ethnic designation of Hispanic or Latino includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

### Data Element 40 (Arrestee Sequence Number)

The LEA should assign each arrestee reported in a Group A Incident Report or Group B Arrest Report a sequence number (Data Element 40) from 01 to 99.

#### Example

If two persons were arrested in connection with a Group A offense, the LEA should report two sets of arrest information.

### Data Element 41 (Arrest Transaction Number)

An LEA assigns an Arrest Transaction Number (Data Element 41) to an arrest report to uniquely identify the arrest report. The Arrest Transaction Number may be the incident number of the previously reported incident relating to the arrest or a separate arrest transaction number. The number may be up to 12 characters in length.

For Group B offenses, LEAs may report data about multiple arrestees under the same Arrest Transaction Number. The FBI will use ORI, Arrest Transaction Number, and the Arrestee Sequence Number to uniquely identify the arrestees.

If and when data about the arrest are furnished to an authorized entity for research purposes, the Arrest (Transaction) Number will be encrypted by the FBI prior to its dissemination to ensure that the recipient cannot identify the actual case. Local and state agencies may also encrypt their Arrest (Transaction) Numbers before submitting them to the FBI.

### Data Element 42 (Arrest Date)

The Arrest Date (Data Element 42) is the date (year, month, and day [YYYYMMDD]) of an arrest.

### Data Element 43 (Type of Arrest)

LEAs should use Data Element 43 to indicate the type of apprehension (at the time of initial contact with the arrestee).

### Valid Data Values

LEA should enter only one per arrestee:

- O = On-View Arrest (apprehension without a warrant or previous incident report)
- S = Summoned/Cited (not taken into custody)
- T = Taken Into Custody (based on a warrant and/or previously submitted incident report)

### Example 1

An LEA without a warrant arrested a woman who was soliciting for prostitution on a street corner. The agency should enter O = On-View Arrest.

#### Example 2

An officer served a man with a subpoena summoning him to appear in court. The agency should enter S = Summoned/Cited.

### Example 3

A citizen filed a complaint. The LEA then investigated the incident and, based on a warrant, took the offender into custody. The LEA should report T = Taken Into Custody for Type of Arrest.

### Data Element 44 (Multiple Arrestee Segments Indicator)

The Multiple Arrestee Segments Indicator (Data Element 44) ensures that an LEA counts the arrestee only once when the arrest is related to multiple incidents.

The reporting agency should enter C = Count Arrestee for one incident in the Multiple Arrestee Segments Indicator and M = Multiple in this data element for all of the remaining incidents. If a suspect's arrest did not clear additional incidents, the entry should be N = Not Applicable.

#### Valid Data Values

LEAs should enter only one per arrestee per incident:

C = Count Arrestee M = Multiple N = Not Applicable

#### Example

After an LEA apprehended a robbery suspect, the LEA learned that the suspect was also responsible for five additional robberies within the jurisdiction. The agency should enter C = Count Arrestee for the robbery using the Multiple Arrestee Segments Indicator and M = Multiple in this data element for all of the remaining robberies.

### Data Element 45 (UCR Arrest Offense Code)

The UCR Arrest Offense Code (Data Element 45) identifies the offense for which the LEA arrested an offender. An LEA can arrest an offender for any of the Group A or Group B offenses except 09C = Justifiable Homicide. If an LEA apprehends an arrestee for more than one offense,

the reporting agency must determine the most serious offense and enter it as the arrest offense.

An agency can report a Group B offense for Group A Incident Reports, as long as the reporting agency determined that the Group B offense was the most serious arrest offense. Any arrest (regardless of arrest offense reported) made in connection with a Group A incident will result in its clearance.

### Example 1

If an LEA arrests an offender for both robbery and murder, they should report 09A = Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter, the more serious offense.

### Example 2

An LEA arrests an offender for DUI, a Group B offense. They subsequently determined the arrestee had been involved in a previously reported Robbery. The LEA should report the arrest offense for the robbery as 90D = Driving Under the Influence. The agency would not have to submit a Group B Arrest Report.

### Data Element 46 (Arrestee Was Armed With)

An agency should use Data Element 46 to indicate whether they arrested an offender in possession of a commonly known weapon at the time of his or her arrest.

### Valid Data Values

LEAs may enter up to two:

01 = Unarmed 11 = Firearm (type not stated) 12 = Handgun 13 = Rifle 14 = Shotgun 15 = Other Firearm 16 = Lethal Cutting Instrument (e.g., switchblade knife or martial arts stars) 17 = Club/Blackjack/Brass Knuckles

**Note:** The FBI defines an automatic firearm as any firearm that shoots, or is designed to shoot, more than one shot at a time by a single pull of the trigger without manual reloading. If the weapon was an automatic firearm, an *A* should be reported in the Automatic Weapon Indicator, e.g., 13A = Automatic Rifle. Do not include semi-automatic as an automatic weapon.

### Example 1

When an LEA arrested a man, he had in his possession a .357-caliber revolver and a penknife. The entry should be 12 = Handgun. Because LE does not generally consider a small pocket knife to be a weapon (unless used in that manner), the LEA should not report it.

### Example 2

An LEA arrested a female who resisted the arrest using a liquor bottle and a chair as weapons before being subdued. The entry should be 01 = Unarmed. Although the subject used items as weapons, the FBI does not consider the weapons used in this incident as weapons that are commonly in possession of.

### Data Element 47 (Age of Arrestee)

Data Element 47—Age of Arrestee—indicates the age or age range of an arrestee in an incident.

### Valid Data Values

01 – 98 = Years Old 99 = Over 98 Years Old 00 = Unknown

### Example 1

The arrestee refused to give his date of birth at time of arrest, but he appeared to be between 35 and 40 years old. The LEA can report either 00 = Unknown or 3540 (i.e., 35 to 40 years old).

### Data Element 48 (Sex of Arrestee)

Data Element 48—Sex of Arrestee—indicates the gender of an arrestee in an incident.

### Valid Data Values

F = Female M = Male

### Data Element 49 (Race of Arrestee)

Data Element 49—Race of Arrestee—indicates the race of an arrestee in an incident.

### Valid Data Values

W = White B = Black or African American 04/15/2021 I = American Indian or Alaska Native
A = Asian
P = Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
U = Unknown

The definitions of the racial designations are:

White—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Black or African American—A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

American Indian or Alaska Native—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander—A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands, e.g., individuals who are Carolinian, Fijian, Kosraean, Melanesian, Micronesian, Northern Mariana Islander, Palauan, Papua New Guinean, Ponapean (Pohnpelan), Polynesian, Solomon Islander, Tahitian, Tarawa Islander, Tokelauan, Tongan, Trukese (Chuukese), and Yapese.

**Note:** The term "Native Hawaiian" does not include individuals who are native to the state of Hawaii simply by virtue of being born there.

### Data Element 50 (Ethnicity of Arrestee)

Data Element 50—Ethnicity of Arrestee—indicates the ethnicity of an arrestee in an incident. This is an optional data element.

### Valid Data Values

H = Hispanic or Latino N = Not Hispanic or Latino U = Unknown

The ethnic designation of Hispanic or Latino includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

### Data Element 51 (Resident Status of Arrestee)

LEAs should use Data Element 51—Resident Status of Arrestee—to indicate whether the arrestee was a resident or nonresident of the jurisdiction that the incident occurred. This is an optional data element.

### Valid Data Values

N = Nonresident R = Resident U = Unknown

**Note:** Resident Status does not refer to the immigration or national citizenship status of the individual. Instead, it identifies whether individuals are residents or nonresidents of the jurisdiction in which the incident occurred. It also enables agencies having a high transient population to show their population at risk is higher than their official resident population.

A resident is a person who maintains his or her permanent home for legal purposes in the locality (town, city, or community) where the crime took place. Reporting agencies should base their determinations of residency on the town, city, or community where the crime occurred rather than their broader geographical jurisdictions. For university/college campuses, only persons living on campus (in dormitories, etc.) would be considered residents if victimized within the confines of the school property; a campus LEA should report the crime.

### Example 1

A man was arrested for a crime that occurred in Phoenix, Arizona, and the arrestee maintained his legal residence in the city; therefore, the entry should be R = Resident.

### Example 2

The crime occurred in Washington, D.C., but the arrestee maintained his legal residence in Alexandria, Virginia. The entry should be N = Nonresident.

### Data Element 52 (Disposition of Arrestee Under 18)

LEAs should use Data Element 52—Disposition of Arrestee Under 18—to report the nature of an arrestee's detention if the arrestee was 17 years of age or younger at the time of the arrest. The word *arrest* as it applies to juveniles is intended to mean the LE handling of those juveniles who have committed a crime and are taken into custody under such circumstances that, if the juvenile were an adult, an arrest would have been reported.

Depending on the seriousness of the offense and the offender's prior criminal record, this may include a warning by the police with the juvenile being released to parents, relatives, friends, or guardians. Or, LEAs may refer juveniles to the probation department or some other branch of 04/15/2021 2021.1 NIBRS User Manual

the juvenile court; to welfare agencies; to other LEAs; or, in the case of serious offenders, to criminal or adult court by waiver of juvenile court. Therefore, LEAs should include not only arrests in the usual sense, but an LEA should report any situation where they handle/process a young person for a violation of the law, in lieu of an actual arrest (e.g., summons, citation, or notification to appear before a juvenile or youth court or similar authority).

Agencies should not record incidents of police contacts with juveniles where no offense has been committed (e.g., instructing children to move their ballgame from the street to the playground) and instances where juveniles are taken into custody for their own protection (i.e., the juvenile's welfare is endangered). In addition, LEAs should not report as arrests callbacks or follow-up contacts with young offenders by officers for the purpose of determining their progress, since the FBI intends these statistics to measure LE problems, not juvenile court activity.

### Valid Data Values

Regarding dispositions of individuals under age 18, LEAs should enter only one per arrestee:

- H = Handled Within Department (released to parents, released with warning, etc.)
- R = Referred to Other Authorities (turned over to juvenile court, probation department, welfare agency, other police agency, criminal or adult court, etc.)

### **Juvenile Arrest Reporting**

The FBI UCR Program does not collect the identities of individuals. Therefore, laws or regulations pertaining to the confidential treatment of the identity of juvenile offenders do not preclude the collection of arrest information for FBI UCR Program purposes or an agency's administrative use.

In a situation where juvenile records are not readily available because the LEA keeps them in a juvenile bureau, youth bureau, or other special office, statistical compilation problems involving juveniles can normally be resolved in one of the following ways:

- 1. The agency can route the arrest report (or copy) by juvenile or youth offices through the main records operation so they can retrieve the necessary information.
- 2. The agency can route a statistical slip showing the required NIBRS information, but not the name of the juvenile, to the employee who prepares NIBRS arrestee reports.

### Example 1

An LEA arrested a 13-year-old for vandalizing a school and released the juvenile to his parents with a warning. The entry should be H = Handled Within Department.

### Example 2

An LEA arrested a 17-year-old for murder and turned the juvenile over to the adult court for trial as an adult. The entry should be R = Referred to Other Authorities.

### **5 Processes and Procedures**

### **5.1 Implementation Procedures**

This section addresses current management considerations at the agency (both UCR Program and local LEA) and national levels for implementing conversion from the SRS to an incidentbased reporting (IBR) system. In the interim, submitting the SRS along with NIBRS data is required until an agency is fully certified for NIBRS reporting. Following transition of the UCR Program to a NIBRS-only data collection (that is, January 1, 2021), LEAs will no longer be required to submit SRS data during the certification process.

### **General Information**

When an agency has implemented an IBR system that meets the criteria established in the UCR *NIBRS IEPD* or *NIBRS Technical Specification*, the agency's next step is to begin submitting data to the FBI UCR Program. When an agency initially submits data to the FBI, the Crime Statistics Management Unit (CSMU) evaluates the data based on the standards indicated in <u>5.2</u>, <u>NIBRS</u> <u>Certification Process</u>. The FBI considers all data from these NIBRS submissions as "test data" and the data are not included in the official FBI UCR Program database until all processing problems are resolved.

The agency must ensure that it has automated procedures (e.g., error handling, identifying incidents it will submit) in place before testing with the FBI UCR Program. The testing phase provides an opportunity for the participating agency to understand and experience NIBRS submission process.

### Agencies Converting from SRS to NIBRS

To resolve data processing issues, the agency may need to make several submissions to complete the testing phase. During this time, the agency should continue to send SRS data until the FBI certifies that the agency is a NIBRS data contributor. If this is not feasible, the agency must make specific arrangements with the FBI to avoid data loss in SRS. Once the agency has met each criterion of the NIBRS certification process, the FBI will provide a date when the agency will begin to officially initiate NIBRS submissions. After that date, the agency will no longer need to submit data via SRS.

### Duplicate Submission for Crime Incidents Must Be Prevented

When an agency is ready to submit data via NIBRS, they must ensure they do not submit NIBRS data for crime data collected prior to converting to NIBRS (previously reported via SRS). For example, if an agency begins NIBRS reporting in June, the agency must ensure they do not report data for months before June via NIBRS.

The only updates to SRS data prior to an agency's NIBRS conversion are exceptional clearances, arrests, and recovered property. The FBI established guidelines regarding how to report exceptional clearances, arrests, and recovered property in those instances when the agency does not maintain the original incident report. With the official start of NIBRS reporting for an agency, supplemental reporting will occur for previously submitted crime data in SRS.

### Agency Must Begin Submitting NIBRS Data on the First Day of a Month

The UCR Program should ensure an agency begins NIBRS submissions only on the first day of a given month; LEAs must not begin NIBRS submissions on any other day. This is the NIBRS reporting start date. Use of this start date will eliminate both agency and FBI computer systems needing to process both SRS and NIBRS data if an agency would implement NIBRS sometime during a month (e.g., May 1-18 for the SRS and May 19-31 for NIBRS).

### Monitoring the Certification Policy

The NIBRS coordinator administers the NIBRS certification policy. The NIBRS coordinator communicates with an agency under review when the agency has attained certification or when the agency needs to take additional steps to obtain certification.

The NIBRS coordinator tracks the status of states and agencies undergoing the NIBRS certification process. Following certification, states and agencies must maintain the data quality standards. The FBI UCR Program maintains the state and agency NIBRS certification records.

**Note:** The NIBRS Coordinator serves as a cooperative liaison with personnel both internal and external to the FBI for the purposes of managing NIBRS issues with the CJIS APB, ASUCRP, the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS), and federal law enforcement agencies. The NIBRS Coordinator functions as an integral element of the NIBRS certification process, working closely with data contributors and partner organizations to increase NIBRS participation and maintain data quality following certification.

### **5.2 NIBRS Certification Process**

The FBI UCR Program deems a UCR Program or the LEA NIBRS Certified when the incidentbased data they submitted for NIBRS certification has passed the NIBRS certification criteria. "NIBRS Certified" simply means the data submitted during the NIBRS certification process was consistent with FBI UCR Program standards, and the FBI will accept NIBRS data submissions from the state UCR Program or the LEA and will be included in the national database.

The UCR Program expects contributing agencies to satisfy the NIBRS certification criteria as defined to become certified. In addition, LEAs must also demonstrate their ability to comply with the four standards for state UCR Programs identified in <u>Section 1.3, UCR Programs</u> <u>Standards</u>, in this manual. The UCR Program considers these standards essential for NIBRS certification.

Until a UCR Program or LEA agency attains NIBRS-certified status, it is essential that they continue to submit SRS data along with their NIBRS data submitted for certification.

### NIBRS Certification Criteria

The FBI uses the following criteria to grant a UCR program or LEA NIBRS certification:

1. System Appropriateness

A UCR Program or LEA must provide evidence its NIBRS-reporting system is compatible with FBI UCR Program system and follows NIBRS technical specifications. A state UCR Program or LEA seeking NIBRS certification must submit its incident-based system's description including submission structure, crime categories, segment relationships, number of offenses collected per incident, and data values allowed per data element. The FBI will review this document for program design and concept.

2. Update Capability and Responsiveness

A UCR Program or LEA must demonstrate its ability to update submissions, meet deadlines, respond to FBI queries and requests, and correct errors received from FBI UCR Program in a timely manner. A UCR Program or LEA must, at a minimum, maintain a 2-year database of NIBRS submissions (retention period) and have the capability to update incidents from the previous calendar year.

3. Error Rate

Data submissions must be logical and consistent. The FBI measures logic by the percentage of Group A Incident Report submissions containing an error. The FBI defines the error rate as the number of rejected reports over the number of reports submitted. The FBI requires a sustained error rate of 4 percent or less for three separate data

submissions. The listing of error definitions are included in the *NIBRS Technical Specification*.

4. Statistical Reasonableness

Data submissions must be statistically reasonable as a whole (in comparison to national trends). While the error rate assesses the existence of logical mechanical flaws in the data, it does not address data in the aggregate. FBI UCR Program evaluates aggregate data submissions in terms of percent distribution, data trend, volume, and monthly fluctuations.

# 5.3 Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Process

The UCR QAR is an assessment of a federal/state UCR Program and its compliance to the FBI UCR Program's standards of reporting. This review is conducted to further ensure the accuracy of reported statistics to the FBI UCR Program. QARs are administered by the CJIS Audit Unit (CAU) of the FBI CJIS Division, on a triennial cycle of federal/state UCR Programs with law enforcement agencies (LEAs) reporting data according to NIBRS specifications. The QAR occurs remotely, requiring reviews to be conducted from the CJIS Division rather than on-site at the federal/state UCR Program and/or local LEA.

The QAR consists of three phases:

- Administrative Interview—The CAU staff learns how the federal/state UCR Program and/or local LEA submits incidents and whether data submitted adhere to FBI UCR Program standards.
- Data Quality Review—Local LEAs incidents reported to the FBI UCR Program are randomly selected for review by a computer-generated query. The CAU staff reviews LEA case file documentation to include the officer's narrative and any information deemed supplemental to determine compliance with FBI UCR Program standards.
- Exit Briefing—The CAU staff provides an exit briefing to the federal/state UCR Program and/or local LEA, which summarizes the QAR findings from the administrative interview and the data quality review.

After the CAU staff completes these phases, the staff prepares the draft report known as the Review Findings letter and sends it via email to the federal/state UCR Program manager and the CSO.

The federal/state UCR Program manager will be requested to respond within 60 days to any recommendations identified within the Review Findings letter. At that time, the draft Review Findings letter will be reissued as final by the CAU, to include the response received from the federal/state UCR Program manager, and will be resent to the federal/state UCR Program manager and CSO.

The CAU staff presents all final findings of federal/state UCR Programs to the UCR Subcommittee which meets twice a year.

### Training and Education

To ensure uniformity in the submission of data and further enhance the quality of the data the FBI UCR Program releases, the FBI has trainers who provide instruction for LEAs participating in the FBI UCR Program. The trainers furnish general training courses in procedures and guidelines for data collections within the program. The trainers are available via e-mail (ucrtrainers@leo.gov) to provide LEAs with answers to specific questions regarding classification, as well as other questions about the FBI UCR Program.

The NIBRS coordinator supports agencies that contribute data via NIBRS. The NIBRS coordinator assists agencies seeking NIBRS certification, works to increase NIBRS participation, and is available to answer questions or address issues. For assistance with NIBRS, email UCR-NIBRS@fbi.gov.

# 6 APPENDIX A - History of the FBI UCR Program and NIBRS

# 6.1 The FBI UCR Program

Recognizing a need for national crime statistics, the IACP formed the Committee on Uniform Crime Records in the 1920s to develop a system of uniform crime statistics. In 1929, after studying various facets of crime, assessing state criminal codes, and evaluating recordkeeping practices, the Committee completed a plan for crime reporting that became the foundation of the FBI UCR Program. The plan included standardized offense definitions for seven main classifications of crime to gauge fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime. The seven classifications were the violent crimes of murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft. By congressional mandate, the UCR Program added arson as the eighth major offense in 1979.

In January 1930, 400 cities representing 20 million inhabitants in 43 states began participating in the FBI UCR Program. The same year, the IACP was instrumental in gaining congressional approval that authorized the FBI to serve as the national clearinghouse for statistical information on crime. Since then, the nation's LEAs have provided the FBI UCR Program with data based on uniform classifications and procedures for reporting.

# 6.2 Redesign of UCR

Although the FBI UCR Program remained virtually unchanged throughout the years in terms of the data collected and disseminated, by the 1980s a broad utility had evolved for UCR information. Recognizing the need for improved statistics, LE called for a thorough evaluative study to modernize the UCR Program. The FBI concurred with the need for an updated program

and lent its complete support, formulating a comprehensive three-phase redesign effort. The BJS, the Department of Justice agency responsible for funding criminal justice information projects, agreed to underwrite the first two phases. These phases, which would be conducted by an independent contractor, Abt Associates Inc. of Cambridge, Massachusetts, would determine what, if any, changes should be made to the current program. The third phase would involve implementation of the changes identified.

In 1982, contractors began phase I by examining the historical evolution of the FBI UCR Program. The study included all aspects of the program—the objectives and intended user audience, data issues, reporting mechanisms, quality control issues, publications and user services, and relationships with other criminal justice data systems. In 1984, contractors launched phase II of the redesign effort by examining the potential of UCR and its future role. Throughout phase I and phase II, stakeholders reviewed study findings, discussed the contractor's suggestions, and proposed various revisions to the contractor's report. These stakeholders included the FBI, the BJS, a joint committee on UCR with members from the IACP and the NSA, a steering committee comprised of individuals representing various disciplines, and attendees from two national UCR Conferences.

The group released a final report, the *Blueprint for the Future of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program* (Blueprint), in May 1985. It specifically outlined three recommended areas of enhancement to expand and improve the FBI UCR Program to meet future informational needs. First, agencies would use an incident-based system to report offenses and arrests. Second, the FBI UCR Program would collect data on two levels, and third, the FBI UCR Program would introduce a quality assurance program.

In January 1986, the FBI began phase III of the redesign effort guided by the general recommendations set forth in the *Blueprint*. The FBI awarded a contract to develop new offense definitions and data elements (incident details) and to develop the guidelines and design specifications for implementing the new incident-based system. Though the FBI UCR staff oversaw the direction of the project, the FBI collaborated with the ASUCRP, the IACP, the National Alliance of State Drug Enforcement Agencies, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and various federal, state, and local criminal justice agencies.

Concurrent with preparing the data elements, the FBI studied various state systems to select an experimental site for implementing the redesigned program. Chosen for its long-standing incident-based UCR Program and its willingness to adapt it to the FBI UCR Program's specifications, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) enlisted the cooperation of nine local LEAs, representing in relative terms the small, medium, and large departments in South Carolina, to participate in the project. To assist SLED with the pilot project, FBI personnel developed automated data capture specifications to adapt the SLED's state system to the FBI UCR Program's standards, and the BJS funded the revisions. The pilot demonstration ran from March 1, 1987, until September 30, 1987, and resulted in further refinement of the guidelines and specifications.

The FBI held a national UCR Conference on March 1-3, 1988, in Orange Beach, Alabama, to present the new system to LE and obtain feedback on its acceptability. Attendees of the national UCR Conference passed three overall recommendations without dissent: first, a new incident-based national crime reporting system be established; second, the FBI manage this program; and third, an APB composed of LE executives be formed to assist in directing and implementing the new program. Furthermore, attendees recommended the implementation of national incident-based reporting proceed at a pace commensurate with the resources and limitations of contributing LEAs.

# 6.3 Establishing and Developing NIBRS

From March 1988 through January 1989, the FBI proceeded in developing and assuming management of the new UCR system, and by April 1989, the FBI UCR Program received the first test tape of NIBRS data. Over the course of the next few years, the UCR Program published information about the redesigned program in five documents:

- 1. *Data Collection Guidelines*—A system overview with descriptions of the offenses, offense codes, reports, data elements, and data values.
- 2. *Data Submission Specifications*—Data layouts for use by state and local systems personnel responsible for preparing magnetic media for submission to the FBI.
- 3. Approaches to Implementing an Incident-Based System—A guide for system designers.
- 4. *Error Message Manual*—Designations of mandatory and optional data elements, data element edits, and error messages.
- 5. *Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook, NIBRS Edition*—A nontechnical program overview focused on the definitions, policies, and procedures of NIBRS.

These documents are no longer available, as they have been combined into this document and the *NIBRS Technical Specification*.

As originally established, NIBRS used 52 data elements to collect a wide variety of crime data via six types of data segments: administrative, offense, victim, property, offender, and arrestee. The use of the segments and their respective data values (codes assigned for permitted entries) depended upon whether the offender's crime fit into the Group A or Group B offense categories.

To provide state and local agencies with a stable system to implement, the FBI made the commitment in the late 1980s to hold all recommended system changes to NIBRS in abeyance until a substantial amount of contributors implemented the system. Agreement was reached not to make several changes so LEAs could implement a program that was not continuously changing. However, to meet crime's growing challenges, lawmakers required the following modifications to NIBRS:

- Hate Crime Statistics Data—Following Congress' passage of the Hate Crime Statistics Act of 1990, the FBI added a new data element to NIBRS to indicate whether or not the offense being reported was motivated by a bias against race, religion, ethnicity/national origin, or sexual orientation, and, if so, what kind. The Violent Crime and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 amended the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include bias against persons with disabilities. The Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crime Prevention Act mandated the collection of bias-motivated gender and gender identity information, and crimes committed by and against juveniles. In addition, the FBI UCR Program now collects up to five bias motivations per offense type. The FBI UCR Program began accepting this data on January 1, 2013. On June 5, 2013, the CJIS APB approved a motion to modify the UCR Program's Hate Crime data collection procedures to begin collecting seven new religions (anti-Buddhist, anti-Eastern Orthodox, anti-Hindu, anti-Jehovah's Witness, anti-Mormon, anti-Other Christian, and anti-Sikh), as well as an anti-Arab bias motivation. The collection of these new categories began on January 1, 2015.
- Gang Activity Indicator—In response to another Congressional mandate in 1997, the FBI expanded an existing data element to indicate whether or not the type of criminal activity being reported was associated with gang violence. The added data values allowed for juvenile gang entries as well as general gang associations.
- Cargo Theft Indicator—The USA Patriot Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 mandated the FBI to collect cargo theft data, and the FBI began accepting test data on January 1, 2010.
- Human Trafficking—The William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (TVPRA, 28 U.S.C. § 534) signed into law on December 23, 2008, reauthorized the Trafficking Victims' Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA, 22 U.S.C. § 7102) and required the FBI UCR Program to collect and classify the crime of Human Trafficking as a Part I (SRS) and Group A (NIBRS) offense in UCR, establish subcategories for state sex crimes, and distinguish between incidents of assisting or promoting prostitution, purchasing prostitution, and prostitution. The FBI UCR Program began accepting this data on January 1, 2013.

To meet the data needs of LE for officer safety and evolving crime challenges, the flexibility of NIBRS has permitted LE to incorporate additional modifications.

Data for Officers Killed or Assaulted—Under the direction of an advisory committee, the FBI began collecting LEOKA data via NIBRS through three new data elements and a series of new data codes in January 2003. The new data elements indicate the victim officer's type of activity/circumstance, the type of assignment, and the ORI of the LEO's agency if the offender killed or assaulted the victim officer in a jurisdiction other than his own.

- Removal of Runaway Category—In December 2008, the CJIS APB approved the elimination of the arrest category Runaway from the FBI UCR Program. The FBI UCR Program no longer accepts submissions of 90I = Runaway.
- Additional Location and Property Codes—As of January 1, 2010, the FBI began accepting additional data values for the location and property data elements. At the request of the ASUCRP, and with the group's assistance, the FBI UCR Program expanded the location and property codes to better capture the location of crimes and the property involved.
- Changes to the Definition of Rape and Other Related Sex Offenses—At the fall 2011 CJIS APB meeting, the APB recommended, and then FBI Director Robert S. Mueller, III, approved, changing the definition of rape in the FBI UCR Program and removing the words "forcible" and "against the person's will" in the SRS, NIBRS, Hate Crime Statistics, and Cargo Theft data collection. In addition to collecting data following the new definition, the APB recommended that the FBI UCR Program continue to collect historical rape data. The FBI UCR Program began accepting this data on January 1, 2013.
- Changes to the Race and Ethnicity Data Collected—To comply with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 1997 directive, *Revision to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity*, the FBI began collecting ethnicity data and expanded the race categories in all FBI UCR Program data collections in 2013. The ethnicity categories include Hispanic or Latino and Not Hispanic or Latino; the race categories include American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, and White.
- Additional NIBRS Offenses and Location Code–On April 28, 2014 the Director of the FBI approved the APB recommendations to add two additional fraud offenses of Identity Theft and Hacking/Computer Invasion. The Fall 2014 APB approved the recommendation to add Cyberspace as a location code. On September 9, 2014, The FBI Director approved the APB recommendation to collect animal cruelty information and four additional data values on the specific type of abuse to include simple/gross neglect, intentional abuse and torture, organized abuse, and animal sexual abuse.

# 7 APPENDIX B – Benefits of NIBRS Participation

NIBRS is an indispensable tool in the war against crime because it is capable of producing detailed, accurate, and meaningful data. When used to its full potential, NIBRS identifies with precision when and where crime takes place, what form it takes, and the characteristics of its victims and perpetrators. Armed with such information, LE can better define the resources it needs to fight crime, as well as use those resources in the most efficient and effective manner.

Although most of the general concepts for collecting, scoring, and reporting UCR data in the SRS apply in NIBRS, such as jurisdictional rules, there are some important differences in the two systems. The most notable differences that give NIBRS an advantage over SRS are:

- No Hierarchy Rule—In the SRS, the Hierarchy Rule requires LEAs to report only the most serious offense per incident; therefore, they do not report lower-listed offenses in multipleoffense incidents. In NIBRS, LEAs report every offense occurring during an incident provided the offenses are separate and distinct crimes, not just as part of another offense, i.e., a "mutually exclusive" crime. (For more information about mutually exclusive offenses, refer to the NIBRS Technical Specification, Data Element 24, Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code.)
- Revised, Expanded, and New Offense Definitions—The FBI UCR Program revised several SRS offense definitions for NIBRS-reporting purposes (e.g., the definition of assault to include the offense of Intimidation, the definition of burglary to include self-storage units with regard to the hotel rule). Furthermore, NIBRS defines and collects many specific sex offenses, including such crimes as sodomy, sexual assault with an object, and fondling, and sex offenses, including such crimes as statutory rape and incest. In the SRS, these crimes are lumped under one category of Other Sex Offenses, a Part II arrest offense.
- Using NIBRS, LE can report offense and arrest data for 28 Group A offense categories (including 71 specific crimes) rather than the 10 Part I offenses in SRS. In addition, NIBRS captures arrest data for 10 Group B offense categories (including 10 crimes), while the SRS collected arrest data for 20 Part II crimes.
- Distinguishing between Attempted and Completed Group A Crimes—Except for the offenses of rape and burglary, the SRS does not differentiate between attempted and completed Part I crimes. NIBRS recognizes the difference between attempted and completed Group A crimes.
- Greater Specificity in Reporting—Because SRS collects most of its crime data in the form of categories (e.g., age groupings and property value groupings), it provides very little capability to break down the resulting data into specific subcategories. However, because

NIBRS collects the details of crime incidents, it allows much greater specificity in reporting. Some of those details include type of victim, residential status of victim and arrestee, weapons data for several crimes, and the value of property stolen or recovered.

- Additional Scoring Category—In addition to the categories of Crimes Against Persons (e.g., murder, rape, and aggravated assault) and Crimes Against Property (e.g., robbery, burglary, and larceny/theft) in SRS, NIBRS offers the category of Crimes Against Society. These crimes are not against persons because they do not actually involve an injured party; nor are they against property because property is not the object of the crime. Program developers created the category to represent society's prohibitions on engaging in certain types of activity, such as drug/narcotic offenses, gambling offenses, pornography/obscene material, and prostitution offenses.
- Expanded Victim-to-Offender Relationship Data—In the SRS, LE reports the relationship of the victim to the offender (e.g., the victim was the husband, wife, employer, or employee, of the offender) only for homicides (i.e., Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter, Manslaughter by Negligence, and Justifiable Homicide). In NIBRS, however, LE reports the victim's relationship to the offender(s) when the victim was the object of a Crime Against Person, such as an assault offense, homicide offense, kidnapping/abduction, or sex offense. Victim-to-offender relationship data are also reported for Robbery (Crimes Against Property) because one of its elements is an assault, which makes it a violent crime.
- Expanded Circumstance Reporting—SRS and NIBRS both provide for collecting circumstance data for homicides, but NIBRS also allows LE to report circumstance data for aggravated assault. Furthermore, NIBRS permits the entry of up to two circumstance codes for each murder or aggravated assault.
- Expanded Collection of Drug-Related Offenses—In the SRS, the subcategories of drug violations are limited to sale/manufacturing and possession. However, in NIBRS, LEAs can report the unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic. Agencies can also report the suspected drug type in one of the expanded drug-type categories. In the event of a drug seizure, agencies can report the estimated quantity. NIBRS also allows agencies to report the unlawful manufacture, sale, purchase, possession, or transportation of drug equipment (paraphernalia).

In addition to capturing actual drug offenses, LEAs using NIBRS can report whether an LE suspected offenders of various other offenses of having used drugs or narcotics during or shortly before the commission of the crime(s).

- Capturing Computer Crime—To combat the growing problem of computer crime (i.e., crimes directed at and perpetrated through the use of computers and related equipment), NIBRS provides the capability to indicate whether a computer was the object of the reported crime and to indicate whether the offenders used computer equipment to perpetrate a crime.
- Association of Updated Reports—LEAs handle information updates, such as unfounding an offense with subsequent submissions via the SRS, but there is no way to tie the update to the original offense. In NIBRS, however, updated information is available with, and directly tied to, the original incident.
- Identification of Common Problems or Trends—Aside from national data requirements, many individual LEAs have very sophisticated records systems capable of producing a full range of statistics on their own activities. Some local and state IBR systems include additional data elements and data values to satisfy their local and state needs. As a byproduct of all of those systems, NIBRS provides more common links among agencies. As more LEAs use NIBRS, it will allow the identification of common crime problems or trends among similar jurisdictions. Agencies can then work together to develop possible solutions or proactive strategies for addressing the issues.
- More Useful Data—Once LEAs submit the preponderance of data via NIBRS, legislators, municipal planners and administrators, academicians, penologists, sociologists, and the general public will be better able to assess the nation's crime problem. LE is a public service and as such, requires a full accounting from the police commissioner, chief, sheriff, or director as to the administration of the agency and the status of public safety within the jurisdiction. By participating in NIBRS, agencies will have statistics to fulfill this responsibility. NIBRS furnishes information on nearly every major criminal justice issue facing LE today. The data are available from all levels of LE—federal, state, city, university/college, county, and tribal—aggregated at the level and in the manner best meeting the informational needs of the data user.
- The Effort to Collect Better Data— As the FBI UCR Program has been moving to modernize over the last several years, recent events in our nation have magnified the need to collect better and more informative data. To that end, the FBI has made getting those data a priority for the FBI. The FBI UCR Program in coordination with major LE organizations and federal partners including the BJS and the Office of Partner Engagement, have been working diligently at all levels to improve the data collection for reliability, accuracy, accessibility, and timeliness.

Rather than dividing its resources between two data collections, the FBI UCR Program focused its efforts its efforts on NIBRS, which offers more detailed, robust data, as well as the flexibility for LEAs to adapt their record management systems (RMSs) to the ever-

growing challenges of battling crime. That is why the FBI Director and the FBI UCR Program staff have been reaching out to the CJIS Advisory Policy Board (APB) and other LE organizations. With the help of these advisory groups, the FBI UCR Program successfully transitioned to a NIBRS-only collection at the national level on January 1, 2021, and retired the traditional SRS.

# **8 APPENDIX C – Time-Window Submissions**

Time-Window Submissions are not required in the new UCR System. Since many LEAs will continue to submit these data until their RMSs are updated, the FBI will continue to accept the Time-Window Submissions. However, these submissions will simply replace the existing data with the newer data that is submitted.

Refer to the NIBRS Technical Specification for more information on Time-Window Submissions.

# 9 APPENDIX D – UCR Glossary Definitions

Acting in Concert - requires all offenders to commit or assist in the commission of all the crimes in an incident. The offenders must be aware of, and consent to, the commission of all the offenses; or even if nonconsenting, their actions assist in the commission of all of the offenses.

**Automatic firearm** - any firearm that shoots, or is designed to shoot, more than one shot at a time by a single pull of the trigger without manual reloading.

**Bias Crime** - a committed criminal offense that is motivated in whole or in part, by the offender's bias(es) against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, or gender identity; also known as Hate Crime.

**Cargo Theft** - the criminal taking of any cargo including, but not limited to, goods, chattels, money, or baggage that constitutes, in whole or in part, a commercial shipment of freight moving in commerce, from any pipeline system, railroad car, motor truck, or other vehicle, or from any tank or storage facility, station house, platform, or depot, or from any vessel or wharf, or from any aircraft, air terminal, airport, aircraft terminal or air freight station, warehouse, freight distribution facility, or freight consolidation facility.

**Data element** -the smallest named item of data that conveys meaningful information or condenses a lengthy description into a short code.

Mandatory – required in order to have a complete/valid data submission.

**Conditional** –dependent upon the data values submitted for other data elements.

**Optional** –can be reported at the discretion of the agency.

**Data Value** - a specific characteristic or type of field being reported that has an assigned code, e.g., M = Male or F = Female.

**Forced entry** - where the burglar used force of any degree or a mechanical contrivance of any kind (including a passkey or skeleton key) to unlawfully enter a building or other structure.

**Gang** - An ongoing organization, association, or group of three or more persons who have a common interest and/or activity characterized by the commission of or involvement in a pattern of criminal or delinquent conduct.

**Juvenile Gang** - refers to a group of persons who go about together or act in concert, especially for antisocial or criminal purposes; typically, adolescent members have common identifying signs and symbols, such as hand signals and distinctive colors; they are also known as street gangs.

**Other Gang** - Persons associated with the world of criminal gangs and organized crime commonly related to widespread criminal activities 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.

**Incident** - one or more offenses committed by the same offender, or group of offenders acting in concert, at the same time and place.

**Lesser included offenses** - offenses where one offense is an element of another offense and cannot be reported as having happened to the victim along with the other offense.

**Mutually exclusive** - offenses that cannot occur to the same victim according to UCR Definitions.

NIBRS start date - first day of a given month when an agency begins contributing NIBRS data.

**Same Time and Place** - presupposes that if the same person or group of persons committed more than one crime and the time and space intervals separating them were insignificant, all the crimes make-up a single incident.

**Unforced entry** - where the burglar unlawfully entered through an unlocked door or window, but used no force.