

National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)



QUICK FACTS

NIBRS Components:

24 Offense Categories
52 Group A Offenses
10 Group B Offenses
58 Data Elements

Offense Categories:

Crimes Against Persons
Crimes Against Property
Crimes Against Society

Group A Offenses

Animal Cruelty	Human Trafficking Offenses
Arson	Commercial Sex Acts
Assault Offenses	Involuntary Servitude
Aggravated Assault	Kidnapping/Abduction
Simple Assault	Larceny/Theft Offenses
Intimidation	Pocket-picking
Bribery	Purse-snatching
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	Shoplifting
Counterfeiting/Forgery	Theft From Building
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	Theft From Motor Vehicle
Drug/Narcotic Violations	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories
Drug Equipment Violations	All Other Larceny
Embezzlement	Motor Vehicle Theft
Extortion/Blackmail	Pornography/Obscene Material
Fraud Offenses	Prostitution Offenses
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	Prostitution
Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	Assisting or Promoting Prostitution
Impersonation	Purchasing Prostitution
Welfare Fraud	Robbery
Wire Fraud	Sex Offenses
Identity Theft	Rape
Hacking/Computer Invasion	Sodomy
Gambling Offenses	Sexual Assault With An Object
Betting/Wagering	Fondling
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	Sex Offenses, Nonforcible
Gambling Equipment Violations	Incest
Sports Tampering	Statutory Rape
Homicide Offenses	Stolen Property Offenses
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	Weapon Law Violations
Negligent Manslaughter	
Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime)	

Group B Offenses

Bad Checks	Family Offenses, Nonviolent
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	Liquor Law Violations
Disorderly Conduct	Peeping Tom
Driving Under the Influence	Trespass of Real Property
Drunkenness	All Other Offenses

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Benefits:

- No Hierarchy Rule: The Hierarchy Rule only counts the highest offense occurring within an incident and ignores all others.
- Established specific UCR Offense Codes
- Expands Burglary Hotel Rule to include rental storage facilities
- Expanded offense definitions
- Correlation between offenses, property, victims, offenders, and arrestees
- Expanded victim-to-offender relationship
- Increased circumstance reporting
- State and local agencies can collect additional crime data not required by the FBI UCR Program
- Greater data quantity and quality
- Timely data submissions
- Improved methodology for compilation, analysis, and publication of data
- Complete and detailed incident information
- Ease in adding new codes

The NIBRS provides details like:

- Weapon information for all violent offenses
- Emphasis on drug- and computer-based crimes
- Distinction between attempted and completed Group A offenses
- Type of injury per victim
- Incident location
- Incident date and time

NIBRS vs Summary Reporting System (SRS)

NIBRS	SRS
One electronic specification	12 separate reports
Up to 10 offenses per incident	10 offense classifications
52 offense classifications	Aggregate-only offenses
58 data elements	Hierarchy rule
Data produced as a CAD/RMS by-product	Manual data process or CAD/RMS by-product

Tim Parker of the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation stated the NIBRS provides:

Consistency. It was imperative that we migrated to a system which was not only consistent throughout our state, but also the nation.

Support. With NIBRS we are able to leverage the support and tools provided by the FBI. This is very important when state funds are limited. Instead of supporting a custom state system, NIBRS affords us all the documentation and support of the FBI.

Better Data. By using a single, nationally supported system we are assured more consistent, timely, and correct data.

Better support from/by RMS vendors. Since all vendors are familiar with NIBRS and have supported it for years, they are better able to implement and support their products in our state. This includes national changes to NIBRS.

The development and partnership with N-DEX. With the advent and development of N-DEX we are able to integrate the two