Incidents

An "incident" is defined for NIBRS reporting purposes as one or more offenses committed by the same offender, or group of offenders acting in concert, at the same time and place. "Acting in concert" requires offenders actually commit or assist in the commission of the crime(s). The offenders must be aware of, and consent to, the commission of the crime(s); or even if nonconsenting, their actions assist in the commission of the offense(s). This is important because all of the offenders in an incident are considered to have committed all of the offenses in the incident. If one or more of the offenders did not act in concert, then there is more than one incident involved.

"Same time and place" means that the time internal between the offenses and the distance between the locations where they occurred were insignificant. Normally, the offenses must have occurred during an unbroken time duration and at the same or adjoining location(s). However, incidents can also be comprised of offenses which by their nature involve continuing criminal activity by the same offender(s) at different times and places, as long as the activity is deemed to constitute a single criminal transaction.

NIBRS data submissions address crime incidents and all the elements associated with them, e.g., offenses, victims, offenders, property loss, clearances, and arrestees. The Group A Incident Report is used to report all information about Group A offenses within six categories: administrative, offense, property, victim, offender, and arrestee. Law enforcement agencies collect detailed data regarding individual crime incidents and arrests and submit them in separate reports using prescribed data elements and data values to describe each incident and arrest.

Property

Incidents may also have property segments associated with them for certain types of offenses. Property information includes type and value of property stolen or damaged. The property segment also includes any drug information, including type and quantity that may be associated with the incident. This segment also captures the number of stolen and recovered motor vehicles associated for incidents with a motor vehicle theft offense.

Group A Incident Report

Administrative Data

ORI Number   Exceptional Clearance
Incident Number   Exceptional Clearance Date
Incident Data/Hour

Offense Data

UCR Offense Codes   Number of Premises Entered Offense
Attempted/Completed   Method of Entry
Offender Suspected of Using   Type of Criminal Activity/Gang Information Bias
Motivation   Type Weapon/Force Involved
Location Type

Property Data

Type Property Loss/Etc.   Number of Recovered Motor Vehicles
Property Description   Suspected Drug Type
Value of Property   Estimated Drug Quantity/Type Drug
Date Recovered   Estimated Drug Quantity/Type Drug Measurement
Number of Stolen Motor Vehicles

Victim Data

Victim Sequent Number   Resident Status of Victim
Victim Connected to UCR Offense Code Aggravated Assault/Homicide Circumstances
Type of Victim   Additional Justifiable Homicide Circumstances
Age of Victim   Type of Injury
Sex of Victim   Offender Number to be Related
Race of Victim   Relationship of Victim to Offender
Ethnicity of Victim

Offender Data

Offender Sequence Number   Sex of Offender
Age of Offender   Race of Offender

Arrestee Data

Arrestee Sequence Number   Arrestee was Armed With
Arrest Transaction Number   Age of Arrestee
Arrest Date   Sex of Arrestee
Type of Arrest   Race of Arrestee
Multiple Arrestee Segments Indicator Ethnicity of Arrestee
Arrest Offense Code   Resident Status of Arrestee
                                     Disposition of Arrestee Under 18