



## Data Declaration

### Table 16

#### **Rate: Number of Crimes per 100,000 Inhabitants, by Population Group, 2006**

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

#### **General comments**

- This table provides the rate per 100,000 inhabitants and the number of offenses known to law enforcement for violent crime (murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) and property crime (burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) nationally and by city and county groupings for law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of complete data (except arson) for 2006. In addition, the table furnishes the number of agencies that provided data to the UCR Program as well as the estimated population for each population group.
- The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to publish arson offenses in this table; therefore, arson figures are not included.
- The FBI publishes only data that conform to UCR data collection guidelines. The data collection methodology for the offense of forcible rape used by the state UCR Programs administered by the Illinois State Police and the Minnesota Department of Public Safety do not comply with these guidelines, so the FBI does not use these data in computing the rates for this table. Instead, the FBI computes the rates by estimating forcible rape offenses for each population group for Illinois and Minnesota. The figures are obtained by applying the national rates for each population group, which include only the agencies that supplied 12 months of complete data, to each population group in these two states.
- Nonmetropolitan counties include state police agencies that report aggregately for the entire state.

- The Suburban and Nonsuburban Cities classifications in this table encompass all cities other than principal cities served by municipal law enforcement agencies in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs).

### **Methodology**

- The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of complete data (except arson) for 2006.
- The FBI derived the offense rates by first dividing the total aggregated offense estimates by the aggregated populations covered by contributing agencies and then multiplying the resulting figure by 100,000.

### **Population groups**

The UCR Program uses the following population group designations:

<b>Population Group</b>	<b>Political Label</b>	<b>Population Range</b>
I	City	250,000 and more
II	City	100,000 to 249,999
III	City	50,000 to 99,999
IV	City	25,000 to 49,999
V	City	10,000 to 24,999
VI	City <sup>1</sup>	Less than 10,000
VIII (Nonmetropolitan County)	County <sup>2</sup>	N/A
IX (Metropolitan County)	County <sup>2</sup>	N/A

<sup>1</sup>Includes universities and colleges to which no population is attributed.

<sup>2</sup>Includes state police to which no population is attributed.

## **Population estimation**

The FBI calculated 2006 state growth rates using revised 2005 state/national population estimates and 2006 provisional state/national population estimates provided by the U.S. Census Bureau. The FBI then estimated population figures for city and county jurisdictions by applying the 2006 state growth rate to the updated 2005 U.S. Census Bureau data.

## **If you have questions about this table**

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