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One area the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE) is responsible for is the retention and reporting of court case disposition information submitted to the repository. Currently, court case dispositions that are submitted by courts, within the Commonwealth of Virginia, are done so by electronic submission. In 2018, the CCRE received 449,287 electronic dispositions from the courts within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Once received, the electronic disposition information is validated and applied to the corresponding reportable offense information on the Virginia Computerized Criminal History (CCH). For this process to work properly, all disposition data fields within the Court Automated Information System (CAIS) or local automated court system should include the requested information for that field. Two data fields of particular importance are the Document Control Number (DCN) and the Offense Tracking Number (OTN). Missing or incorrect DCN and/or OTN information will require manual intervention in order to have the disposition information applied to the Virginia CCH. This process causes a delay in posting court disposition information to the Virginia CCH, and in turn reduces our ability to provide complete and accurate criminal history information. Therefore, by working together to ensure requested court disposition data fields reflect accurate information, we can reduce manual intervention and delays in posting court disposition information.

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

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UCR/IBR HAS CHANGED

IBR has implemented a new data repository system. We have a new state-of-the-art website designed and maintained by Beyond 20/20. The new system features expanded ad-hoc queries, reports that agencies can run in "real-time," mapping, as well as the ability for agencies to enter and upload data directly from the website.

The new IBR website includes a public portal which allows anyone to retrieve data from the previous calendar year. This will prove beneficial to not only to law enforcement, but to judiciary, legislative, academia persons, and the public who use Virginia crime data.

The new website can be accessed at the following link: <https://va.beyond2020.com/>

NEW CRIME CODES

As of 2019, the FBI has identified new crime codes for collection. Virginia will begin collection of this information as well. The addition of these codes will provide more information as to the crimes occurring in the Commonwealth.

- Animal Cruelty
- Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts
- Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude
- Identity Theft
- Hacking/Computer Invasion
- Purchasing Prostitution

USE OF FORCE DATA COLLECTION

In addition to new crime codes, the FBI has begun a Use-Of-Force Data Collection of which Virginia has opted to participate. Currently, VSP IBR collects Officer Involved Shootings pursuant to §52-28.2 in the Code of Virginia. The updated collection will gather additional data fields to provide a detailed view of the use of force by law enforcement officers in Virginia.

The collection will include incidents where any use of force that results in the death or serious bodily injury of a person, as well as when a law enforcement officer discharges a firearm at or in the direction of a person.

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

Group A Offenses

Statewide, the Group A offense nine month preliminary data figures for 2017 and 2018 are as follows:

Group A Offenses			
Nine Months	2016	2017	Percent Change
Murder/Non-negligent	328	304	-0.07
Kidnapping/Abduction	1,110	1,115	0.00
Forcible Rape	1,171	1,310	0.12
Other Forcible Sex Offenses	2,741	2,807	0.02
Robbery	3,178	3,075	-0.03
Aggravated Assault	7,375	7,512	0.02
Simple Assault & Intimidation	64,490	64,839	0.01
Arson	599	570	-0.05
Extortion/Blackmail	223	276	0.24
Burglary	14,010	13,416	-0.04
Larceny Theft	91,180	89,825	-0.01
Motor Vehicle Theft	6,585	6,998	0.06
Counterfeiting/Forgery	5,096	5,033	-0.01
Fraud Offenses	25,859	25,593	-0.01
Embezzlement	1,810	1,949	0.08
Stolen Property Offenses	957	1,061	0.11
Damage/Vandalism of Property	41,731	40,614	-0.03
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	44,583	51,918	0.16
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	87	98	0.13
Pornography/Obscene Material	916	1,055	0.15
Gambling Offenses	31	48	0.55
Prostitution Offenses	707	555	-0.21
Bribery	11	19	0.73
Weapon Law Violations	7,618	8,948	0.17
TOTAL	322,396	317,634	-0.01

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)**Group A and Group B Arrests—Continued**

Statewide, the Group B arrest nine month preliminary data figures for 2017 and 2018 are as follows:

Arrests					Adult Percent Change	Juvenile Percent Change
Nine Months	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile		
	2016		2017			
Group A	86,557	7,766	90,494	7,880	4.55	1.47
Group B	103,264	6,227	105,340	5,527	2.01	-11.24
TOTAL	189,821	13,993	195,834	13,407	3.17	-4.19

Comparing preliminary nine months' data for 2016 and 2017, For adults, Group A Arrests experienced an increase (4.55%); Group B arrests also showed an increase, although somewhat lower (2.01%). Group A juvenile arrests increased 1.47 percent during this period of time, while Group B juvenile arrests decreased by 11.24 percent.

CRIME IN VIRGINIA 2018

The final date for submitting 2018 data that will be included in 'Crime in Virginia' and 'Crime in the U.S.' is quickly approaching. Mid-March of 2019, will be the deadline to submit any revisions, updates, and/or corrections to 2018 crime and arrest data that are published in the state and federal annual reports. Because of our new repository, the layout of our publication will change; yet, it will still include pertinent data, as well as newly created data sets. As always, these crime figures are based on data that agencies submit that are error-free. Incidents with unresolved or outstanding errors are not counted in statistical information.

Please contact the state IBR Program office with any questions or concerns. As always, thank you all for your efforts to make the state's crime data as complete and accurate as possible.