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## Office of Criminal Justice Statistics State Incident-Based Reporting System

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#### What is Incident-Based Reporting?

The State Incident-Based Reporting System (SIBRS) is an online records management system maintained by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation. The web-based program is available to law enforcement agencies that participate in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, which includes two systems: the Summary Reporting System (SRS) and the Incident-Based Reporting System (SIBRS).

In contrast to traditional summary reporting, incidentbased reporting provides more details about crime incidents. In addition to offense information, SIBRS captures information about offenders, victims, and events surrounding incidents of crime.

## SIBRS is valuable to local law enforcement as they make decisions about funding and resource allocation.

State and federal-level agencies participating in the UCR Program are transitioning to incident-based reporting. SIBRS participation is beneficial to contributing agencies for many reasons. For instance, the system's crime mapping feature provides agency leaders the capability to identify crime "hot spots."

Other advantages to SIBRS include: data are collected for 46 crimes (compared to eight in summary); arrests and clearances are linked to incidents; attempted crimes are separated from completed crimes; the Hierarchy Rule does not apply; and the definition of rape was expanded.

An estimated 89% of agencies that reported crime data in 2016 participated in SIBRS; however, those agencies served just 46.5% of the state's population and reported just 31.2% of index crimes reported in 2016.

Of the 346 reporting agencies (not including schools/universities, state agencies, or tribal agencies), 307 (89%) contributed crime information through SIBRS, including 68 of 74 sheriffs' offices (92%) and 239 of 272 police departments (88%).

Based on population estimates provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 46.5% of Oklahomans lived in a SIBRS reporting jurisdiction in 2016, and 31.2% of index crimes reported by law enforcement occurred in a SIBRS jurisdiction.

# Many agencies that submitted data to SIBRS in 2016 served smaller jurisdictions in Oklahoma.

Of the 332 SIBRS agencies, 299 served populations of less than 15,000. Seventeen agencies served populations of at least 25,000 – the largest SIBRS reporting agencies were Norman and Stillwater. Oklahoma's largest jurisdictions reported crime data in summary format.