Crimes Against Persons, Property, and Society

In the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), each offense reported is either a Group A or Group B offense type. There are 28 Group A offense categories, comprised of 71 Group A offenses and 10 Group B offense categories. Law enforcement agencies report Group A offenses as part of a NIBRS incident report, but they report only arrest data for Group B offenses.

At the recommendation of the Criminal Justice Information Services Advisory Policy Board, the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program combined the offense categories of Sex Offenses (formerly Forcible) and Sex Offenses, Nonforcible. Beginning with the 2018 data, all offense types previously published in those two categories are now published in one category as Sex Offenses. Additional changes have been made with the addition of offenses for federal and tribal agencies and the removal of some Group B offenses. Note, due to their specificity, 19 of the Group A offenses within 5 Group A offense categories are used only by federal and tribal law enforcement agencies.

Each offense collected in NIBRS belongs to one of three categories: Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, or Crimes Against Society. Crimes Against Persons, e.g., murder, rape, and assault, are those in which the victims are always individuals. The object of Crimes Against Property, e.g., robbery, bribery, and burglary, is to obtain money, property, or some other benefit. Crimes Against Society, e.g., gambling, prostitution, and drug violations, represent society's prohibition against engaging in certain types of activity and are typically victimless crimes.

The categorization of an offense is significant because law enforcement uses it to determine how to report it to the UCR Program. For counting purposes, agencies should count one offense for each victim of a Crime Against Person, one offense for each distinct operation of a Crime Against Property (except for motor vehicle theft, in which one offense is counted for each vehicle stolen), and one offense for each Crime Against Society.

The listings of the Group A and Group B offenses in this section indicate whether offenses are Crimes Against Persons, Property, or Society. In addition, NIBRS offenses denoted with an asterisk can only be reported by federal and tribal agencies.

Group A Offenses

Offense Category/Offense Type	Crime Against
Animal Cruelty	·
Animal Cruelty	Society
Arson	•
Arson	Property
Assault Offenses	
Aggravated Assault	Person
Simple Assault	Person
Intimidation	Person
Bribery	
Bribery	Property
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	
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Commerce Violations	•
Import Violations*	Society
Export Violations*	Society
Federal Liquor Offenses*	Society
Federal Tobacco Offenses*	Society
Wildlife Trafficking*	Society
Counterfeiting/Forgery	•
Counterfeiting/Forgery	Property
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	•
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	Property
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	
Drug/Narcotic Violations	Society
Drug Equipment Violations	Society
Embezzlement	
Embezzlement	Property
Espionage	
Espionage*	Society
Extortion/Blackmail	
Extortion/Blackmail	Property
Fraud Offenses	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	Property
Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	Property
Impersonation	Property
Welfare Fraud	Property

Wire Fraud	Property
Identity Theft	Property
Hacking/Computer Invasion	Property
Money Laundering*	Society
Fugitive Offenses	•
Harboring Escapee/Concealing from Arrest*	Society
Flight to Avoid Prosecution*	Society
Flight to Avoid Deportation*	Society
Gambling Offenses	•
Betting/Wagering	Society
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	Society
Gambling Equipment Violations	Society
Sports Tampering	Society
Homicide Offenses	
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	Person
Negligent Manslaughter	Person
Justifiable Homicide	Not a Crime
Human Trafficking	
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	Person
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	Person
Immigration Violations	
Illegal Entry into the United States*	Society
False Citizenship*	Society
Smuggling Aliens*	Society
Re-entry after Deportation*	Society
Kidnapping/Abduction	
Kidnapping/Abduction	Person
Larceny/Theft Offenses	
Pocket-picking	Property
Purse-snatching	Property
Shoplifting	Property
Theft From Building	Property
Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	Property
Theft From Motor Vehicle	Property
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	Property
All Other Larceny	Property
Motor Vehicle Theft	
Motor Vehicle Theft	Property
Pornography/Obscene Material	

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Prostitution Offenses	
Prostitution	Society
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	Society
Purchasing Prostitution	Society
Robbery	
Robbery	Property
Sex Offenses	
Rape	Person
Sodomy	Person
Sexual Assault With An Object	Person
Fondling	Person
Incest	Person
Statutory Rape	Person
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender*	Society
Stolen Property Offenses	
Stolen Property Offenses	Property
Treason	•
Treason*	Society
Weapon Law Violations	
Weapon Law Violations	Society
Violation of National Firearm Act of 1934*	Society
Weapons of Mass Destruction*	Society
Explosives*	Society
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Group B Offenses

Offense Category/Offense Type	Crime Against
Bond Default	
Failure to Appear*	Society
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	Society
Disorderly Conduct	
Disorderly Conduct	Society
Driving Under the Influence	
Driving Under the Influence	Society
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	Society
Federal Resource Violation	
Federal Resource Violations*	Society
Liquor Law Violations	
Liquor Law Violations	Society
Perjury	
Perjury*	Society
Trespass of Real Property	
Trespass of Real Property	Society
All Other Offenses	
All Other Offenses	Society