

From: Crawford, Dustin
Sent: Wed, 19 Apr 2023 10:46:17 +0000
To: Betsy Kim
Cc: Amberger, Richard; Fishburn, Tonya M.; Rodriguez, Jordan
Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Hi Betsy,

The spreadsheet regarding open requests reflects all cases submitted in 2022 and before. So yes, I believe all others submitted before that have been completed and are represented in the data I sent previously. To be clear, we only test cases that are requested to be tested by a submitter/police agency.

I hope this helps.

Thanks,

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Thank you.

From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 4:27 PM
To: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Fishburn, Tonya M. <Tonya.Fishburn@indy.gov>; Rodriguez, Jordan <Jordan.Rodriguez2@Indy.Gov>
Subject: Re: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

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Hi Dustin,

Thank you for your responses and the new datasets; they're all incredibly helpful.

From what I understand, you've sent me open requests for kits received in 2022. Were there any cases received from 2018-2021 that are also open? Or were they all completed -- and therefore all included in the "Greater than 30 days" spreadsheet you sent me before?

Thank you for your consideration,
Betsy



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From: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 6:15 AM
To: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Fishburn, Tonya M. <Tonya.Fishburn@indy.gov>; Rodriguez, Jordan <Jordan.Rodriguez2@Indy.Gov>
Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Hi Ms. Kim,

Our answers to your questions are below in red.

1. It looks like you've sent me the data for kits that have completed testing. Does this data include all kits received from 2018-2022, or were there any kits for any year between 2018-2022 for which testing was not completed? If so, would you be able to send me the information including those cases as well? I won't be able to calculate year-by-year backlog data without it. **The data sent on 4/7 does not include uncompleted cases received in 2022. However, I've included the additional data in the attachment titled "Rape Kit Open Requests as of 4-14-23". Since your request was focused on 2018 to 2022 I removed all cases from the list that were submitted in 2023. In addition, since there's a gap in time for any cases completed between 4/7 and 4/14, I've included a report titled "Rape Kit Turnaround report for cases reported from 4-7 to 4-14", which should provide you with the necessary info.**
2. I'm trying to understand how to aggregate rape kit backlog data across the three different kinds of tests: DNA request for analysis, serological, then serological sexual assault. Here are the questions I have, but any additional guidance on how to aggregate

this data so that I'm making sure to just count rape kits and not double-counting is welcome!

- a. What is the difference between a serological test and a serological sexual assault test? **There is no difference between these two request types, they are both serology. At one point in time the serology request types also included the type of assault in the name.**
- b. Does a rape kit need to first receive a DNA request for analysis test and then a serological test before getting a serological sexual assault test? **No, the serological test and serological sexual assault test are the same.**
- c. Am I correct in saying that I cannot add up all the different tests that were conducted, because if I did so, I'd be double or triple counting kits that went thru multiple kinds of tests? **You are correct.**
- d. Does every rape kit have the same lab case number, even if it goes thru multiple tests? **Yes**

I hope this helps.

Thank you,

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From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>

Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:37 PM

To: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>

Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Fishburn, Tonya M. <Tonya.Fishburn@indy.gov>; Rodriguez, Jordan <Jordan.Rodriguez2@Indy.Gov>

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Hi Dustin,

Thank you for this data! I appreciate it. No worries about the categorization of lists by date; I should be able to clean the data on my own.

I have some clarification questions:

1. It looks like you've sent me the data for kits that have completed testing. Does this data include all kits received from 2018-2022, or were there any kits for any year between 2018-2022 for which testing was not completed? If so, would you be able to send me the information including those cases as well? I won't be able to calculate year-by-year backlog data without it.
2. I'm trying to understand how to aggregate rape kit backlog data across the three different kinds of tests: DNA request for analysis, serological, then serological sexual assault. Here are the questions I have, but any additional guidance on how to aggregate this data so that I'm making sure to just count rape kits and not double-counting is welcome!
 - a. What is the difference between a serological test and a serological sexual assault test?
 - b. Does a rape kit need to first receive a DNA request for analysis test and then a serological test before getting a serological sexual assault test?
 - c. Am I correct in saying that I cannot add up all the different tests that were conducted, because if I did so, I'd be double or triple counting kits that went thru multiple kinds of tests?
 - d. Does every rape kit have the same lab case number, even if it goes thru multiple tests?

Happy to speak over the phone if clearing up these things would be easier to do verbally.

Thank you for your consideration!

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From: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>

Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 11:31 AM

To: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>

Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Fishburn, Tonya M. <Tonya.Fishburn@indy.gov>; Rodriguez, Jordan <Jordan.Rodriguez2@Indy.Gov>

Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Ms. Kim,

Attached are the data reports which provide the information you requested. Each of the two generated reports are provided in both pdf and excel form.

As the file names of the attachments suggest, those including "Greater than 30 days" are related to part A (1) of your request, and those including "Less or equal than 30 days" are related to part D.

The information on each of the reports includes the: agency case number (pertaining to the submitting police agency), LAB number (our internal lab "case number" for the submission), submitted date (date the official request for analysis is entered into our system – sometimes the same date as when the related evidence is submitted), released date (date that the report was finalized and made available to the customer (police/attorneys)), and the turnaround time of the case. Additionally, each report lists DNA requests for analysis first, then further down the headings for Serological and then finally Serological Sexual Assault cases show information related to those types of categorized requests for analysis.

Since you requested the data for each year from 2018 to 2022, the data for that entire span is included on each report, with the information within each of the request for analysis categories (DNA, Serological, and Serology Sexual Assault) providing the ability to further analyze/categorize the data as you see fit. Categorizing the lists by chronological submission or release date was a challenge for IT.

As previously discussed in our email exchanges, the portion you designated under point A, (2) of your request pertains to police/hospitals and cannot be provided by our lab.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Thank you,

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Sent: Monday, April 3, 2023 3:20 PM
To: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Ricks, Gary <Gary.Ricks@Indy.Gov>
Subject: Re: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

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Thank you Dustin! Looking forward to hearing from you by this Friday.

Sincerely,
Betsy



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From: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 3, 2023 8:20 AM
To: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Ricks, Gary <Gary.Ricks@Indy.Gov>
Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Hi Betsy,

We anticipate being able to provide the data to you by this Friday.

Thank you,

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From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Sent: Sunday, April 2, 2023 2:20 PM
To: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Ricks, Gary <Gary.Ricks@Indy.Gov>
Subject: Re: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

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Hi Dustin!

Checking in once again to see where the status of my data request is. I know you said IT was still working on gathering the data as of mid-March; would you be able to give me an update on when I would be able to expect the data?

Looking forward to hearing your response!
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From: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 7:13 AM
To: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Ricks, Gary <Gary.Ricks@Indy.Gov>
Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Hello Ms. Kim,

I'm doing well, thank you. I hope the same for you.

I anticipate that the data will be available for me to send to you by the end of next week. IT is still working toward gathering the data.

Thank you,

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From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 6:59 PM
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Hi Dustin!

I hope this email finds you and safe and well.

I was just wanting to check up on this email to see where you were the data on this request. I never received a follow-up email with the data, but please let me know if there's anything I missed. I'm anxious to get as much data as I can ASAP, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month is fast approaching in April.

Thank you so much for your consideration,
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From: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 9:57 AM
To: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Cc: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>; Ricks, Gary <Gary.Ricks@Indy.Gov>
Subject: RE: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

Hello Ms. Kim,

We have received your records request and have shared it with our attorney to ensure our response is appropriate and as complete as possible.

I have copied the contents of your request below, and have highlighted the portions related to information that we expect to be able to provide. Due to IT logistics necessary to generate some of the specific data you've requested, the completeness and/or timeliness of the information could be impacted. However, we will provide the requested information as soon as possible, and in an electronic format.

Under the Indiana Access to Public Records Act, I'd like to request the following records:

- **(a)** The Marion County rape kit backlog in 2022, broken down by:
 - (1) rape kits that had, by the end of 2022, remained untested within 30 or more days of being submitted to the Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services Agency
 - (2) rape kits that were not submitted to the aforementioned crime lab and held by entities that collect rape kits, including, but not limited to, police stations and hospitals.
- **(b)** The month/date that the 2022 rape kit backlog numbers from (a) were collected.

Please prioritize (a) and (b) in your response. In addition, I would like:

- **(c)** The information from (a) and (b) for 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.
- **(d)** Of the rape kits that were tested in 2022, the count tested within 30 days of being submitted to a lab.

Lastly, we are unable to provide information related to part (a) (2), as our laboratory's responsibility for rape kits begins only at the time of submission to the laboratory. Our attorney has indicated that the

agencies within Marion County government that are positioned to provide information requested in part (a) (2) are the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD), and other smaller police agencies within Marion County. Furthermore, our attorney has indicated that their office will provide portion (a) (2) of your request to the appropriate contacts from those agencies, in effort to provide the information to you.

Please let me know if you have questions related to this response.

Thank you,

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From: Amberger, Richard <RWAmberger@indy.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2023 7:39 AM
To: Crawford, Dustin <Dustin.Crawford@indy.gov>
Subject: FW: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2023 5:55 PM
To: i-mcfsa <i-mcfsa@Indy.Gov>
Subject: [RECORDS REQUEST] Indianapolis Rape Kit Backlog

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January 26, 2023

To whom it may concern:

Under the Indiana Access to Public Records Act, I'd like to request the following records:

- **(a)** The Marion County rape kit backlog in 2022, broken down by:
 - (1) rape kits that had, by the end of 2022, remained untested within 30 or more days of being submitted to the Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services Agency
 - (2) rape kits that were not submitted to the aforementioned crime lab and held by entities that collect rape kits, including, but not limited to, police stations and hospitals.
 - **(b)** The month/date that the 2022 rape kit backlog numbers from (a) were collected.
- Please prioritize (a) and (b) in your response. In addition, I would like:
- **(c)** The information from (a) and (b) for 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.
 - **(d)** Of the rape kits that were tested in 2022, the count tested within 30 days of being submitted to a lab.
- Please include me on any external or internal correspondence related to this request.

Let me know if clarifying my request might speed the release of these records or reduce any programming or staff time.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

I seek this information in the public interest as a journalist, and not for a commercial purpose.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$100.

The Indiana Access to Public Records Act requires a response to this request be made within 7 days. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

Please provide me with the information in a continuous manner. I am more than happy to get partial responses to this request until it's completed in full.

Thank you again for your time. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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