Data Declaration

Table 2

Crime in the United States, by Community Type, 2006

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

General comments

- This table provides estimated crime statistics for the Nation, Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), cities outside metropolitan areas, and nonmetropolitan counties, and the rate (per 100,000 inhabitants) for each grouping, and their estimated populations. For MSAs, cities outside metropolitan areas, and nonmetropolitan counties, the table also includes the actual offense totals for areas reporting.
- The UCR Program does not have sufficient data to estimate arson offenses.

Methodology

- The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies
 participating in the UCR Program (including those submitting less than 12 months of
 data).
- Crime statistics for the Nation and for community types include estimated offense totals (except arson) for agencies submitting less than 12 months of offense reports for each year.
- This table includes all currently designated MSAs in which at least 75 percent of the
 agencies within the MSA reported to the UCR Program and for which the principal
 city/cities submitted 12 months of complete data for 2006.
- The FBI estimates statistics for community types by aggregating the individual state statistics as shown in Table 5.

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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