# **Data Declaration**

### Table 30

## Number and Rate of Arrests by Region, 2009

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

#### **General comments**

- This table provides the number of persons arrested and the arrest rate per 100,000 inhabitants for the four regions of the United States and for the Nation in 2009.
- The UCR Program collects arrest data for 29 offenses.
- These data represent the number of persons arrested; however, some persons may be arrested more than once during a year. Therefore, the statistics in this table could, in some cases, represent multiple arrests of the same person.

### Methodology

- The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies submitting 12 months of arrest data for 2009.
- The FBI derived the arrest rates by first dividing the total number of arrests by the aggregated populations covered by contributing agencies and then multiplying the resulting figure by 100,000.
- The FBI publishes only data that conform to UCR data collection guidelines. The data collection methodology for arrests for forcible rape used by the state UCR Program administered by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (with the exception of Minneapolis and St. Paul) does not comply with these guidelines. Therefore, arrests for forcible rape for Minnesota are not available for inclusion in this table. Instead, the FBI computed the number and the rate by estimating the forcible rape arrests for each population group for participating agencies in

Minnesota. The figures were estimated using the national forcible rape numbers for each population group applied to the population by group for Minnesota agencies.

## Regions and divisions

The U.S. Census Bureau has established the four regions of the United States along with their nine geographic divisions which are used by the UCR Program when compiling the Nation's crime data. The following table lists the 50 states and the District of Columbia arranged according to the regions and divisions of the United States.

| NORTHEASTERN STATES |
|---------------------|
| New England         |
| Connecticut         |
| Maine               |
| Massachusetts       |
| New Hampshire       |
| Rhode Island        |
| Vermont             |
| Middle Atlantic     |
| New Jersey          |
| New York            |
| Pennsylvania        |
| MIDWESTERN STATES   |

## **East North Central**

| Illinois             |
|----------------------|
| Indiana              |
| Michigan             |
| Ohio                 |
| Wisconsin            |
| West North Central   |
| Iowa                 |
| Kansas               |
| Minnesota            |
| Missouri             |
| Nebraska             |
| North Dakota         |
| South Dakota         |
| SOUTHERN STATES      |
| South Atlantic       |
| Delaware             |
| District of Columbia |
| Florida              |
| Georgia              |
| Maryland             |
| North Carolina       |

| South Carolina     |
|--------------------|
| Virginia           |
| West Virginia      |
| East South Central |
| Alabama            |
| Kentucky           |
| Mississippi        |
| Tennessee          |
| West South Central |
| Arkansas           |
| Louisiana          |
| Oklahoma           |
| Texas              |
|                    |
| WESTERN STATES     |
| Mountain           |
| Arizona            |
| Colorado           |
| Idaho              |
| Montana            |
| Nevada             |

| New Mexico |  |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|
| Utah       |  |  |  |
| Wyoming    |  |  |  |
| Pacific    |  |  |  |
| Alaska     |  |  |  |
| California |  |  |  |
| Hawaii     |  |  |  |
| Oregon     |  |  |  |
| Washington |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |

## **Population estimation**

For the 2009 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2000 decennial population counts and 2001 through 2008 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2008 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2009 population estimate.