

Idaho Crime Victim Services Dashboard User Guide



INTRODUCTION

Thank you for visiting the Idaho Crime Victim Services Dashboard!

The Idaho Crime Victim Services Dashboard is a collaboration between the [Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance \(ICDVVA\)](#) and the [Idaho Statistical Analysis Center \(ISAC\)](#). It is meant to be a one-stop resource for those working in Idaho’s victim service community as well as other interested stakeholders. The dashboard brings together data from three sources (crime reported to law enforcement, clients served at federally funded victim service agencies, and community demographics) in a way that allows for comparisons across data sets (e.g., reported crime victims compared to number of victims who reported to law enforcement). Such comparisons provide a more robust view of victimization in Idaho rather than looking at each data source individually. It also allows for needs across different communities and the state as a whole to be examined.

This user guide provides information on the definitions and sources for the data in the dashboard. This guide also provides an explanation of the calculations used for combining different types of data and creating the needs scores found in the dashboard.

DATA DEFINITIONS

Crime Data

The [Idaho Incident-Based Reporting System \(IIBRS\)](#) provides law enforcement data on reported crimes for the dashboard. This is the state-level version of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), which collects incident information from law enforcement agencies. IIBRS provides the most complete and up-to-date collection of crime information in the state. It is important to note that these are only the reported crimes and there may be other crimes that occur in the state that are not reported to law enforcement and thus not represented in this data set. This data is released annually in the *Crime in Idaho* report series and the [Crime in Idaho Data Dashboard](#). Table 1 defines key terms from the IIBRS data included in the dashboard

Table 1. Definitions of terms used to describe crime in the Idaho Crime Victim Services Dashboard.

Crime Type	Included IIBRS Offenses
Fraud	False pretenses/swindle/confidence game Credit card/ATM fraud Impersonation Welfare fraud Wire fraud Identity theft Hacking/computer invasion Embezzlement Extortion/blackmail

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Table 1 (continued). Definitions of IIBRS terms

Crime Type	Included IIBRS Offenses
Gang crime	Any violent or property crime indicated as being linked to an adult gang (IIBRS code = G) or juvenile gang (IIBRS code = J)
Hate crime	Any violent or property crime indicated as being motivated by one or more bias categories (e.g., race/ethnicity, religion, gender/gender identity, sexual orientation, disability)
Homicide	Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter Negligent manslaughter
Human trafficking	Commercial sex acts Involuntary servitude
Intimate partner violence	Any violent crime where the victim-offender relationship is one of the following: Boy/girlfriend Common-law spouse Ex-relationship (boy/girlfriend) Ex-spouse Spouse
Physical assault	Aggravated assault Intimidation Simple assault
Property crime	Any offense committed for the purpose of gaining or destroying money, property, or other tangible benefit. Includes arson, burglary, fraud, theft, vandalism, etc.
Robbery	
Sexual assault	Fondling Incest Rape Sexual assault with an object Sodomy Statutory rape
Violent crime	Any crime committed to cause injury or threaten to cause injury to another person. Includes assaults, homicides, kidnappings, sexual assaults, etc.

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Jurisdictions Removed from Crime Rate Calculations

Some county and city populations have been removed from crime rate calculations due to missing IIRBS data from non-reporting agencies. These include agencies who did not report their data due to technical issues or did not submit on time. In calculating crime rates found in this dashboard, the population of the non-reporting jurisdictions were removed from the base population to create more accurate rates. Non-reporting agencies by year are listed in Table 2.

Table 2. Jurisdictions removed from crime rate calculations.

Year	IIRBS Non-Reporting Agencies	Jurisdictions Removed from Population Base
2020	Post Falls PD	city of Post Falls
	Rathdrum PD	city of Rathdrum
2021	Clearwater County Sheriff	all of Clearwater county except city of Orofino
	Grangeville PD	city of Grangeville
	Idaho City PD	city of Idaho City
	Idaho County Sheriff	All of Idaho County except city of Cottonwood
	Post Falls PD	city of Post Falls
	Rathdrum PD	city of Rathdrum
	Twin Falls County Sheriff	all of Twin Falls County except cities of Buhl, Filer, Hansen, Kimberly, and Twin Falls

Underserved Populations Data

Underserved population data for this dashboard comes from the [American Community Survey \(ACS\)](#), administered by the U.S. Census Bureau. The ACS is conducted each year but for rural areas (populations below 65,000), the data is only released as combined five-year estimates. For example, the 2021 five-year estimates includes data from the years 2017 – 2021. This is due to the small number of survey respondents in each county and the need to increase the sample size to create reliable estimates for demographic sub-groups, such as racial/ethnic groups.

In Idaho, 86% of counties are defined as rural counties, and as such are not eligible for inclusion in the one-year estimates program. Because the majority of Idaho’s data at the county level is only released as part of the five-year estimates program, all of the demographic data used for this dashboard comes from the five-year summary estimates that are released yearly. Table 3 lists the ACS indicators included in the dashboard.

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Table 3. ACS data included in Idaho Crime Victim Services Dashboard.

Dashboard Indicator	Data Notes
Age: 60 and Over	
Age: Under 18	
Disability: Ambulatory	non-institutionalized population aged 5 and up
Disability: Cognitive	non-institutionalized population aged 5 and up
Disability: Hearing	non-institutionalized population
Disability: Total % of Population w/Disability	non-institutionalized population aged 5 and up
Disability: Vision	non-institutionalized population
Population: Immigrants	number of foreign-born individuals
Population: Limited English Proficiency	number of individuals aged 5 and up who report speaking English "less than very well"
Population: Poverty Rate	
Population: Rural Residents	number of individuals living outside of urban areas or urbanized clusters as defined by the US Census Bureau
Population: Service Area % of State Population	
Race/Ethnicity: American Indian/Alaska Native	self-identified
Race/Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino	self-identified
Race/Ethnicity: Total Non-White	self-identified as any race/ethnicity other than "white alone"

Federal Victim Services Grant Data

The victim services data in this dashboard comes from four federal grant programs:

- [Family Violence Prevention & Services Act \(FVPSA\)](#),
- [Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program \(SASP; part of the Violence Against Women Act\)](#),
- [Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors \(STOP; part of the Violence Against Women Act\)](#), and
- [Victims of Crime Act \(VOCA\) Victim Assistance](#).

ICDVVA serves as the state administering agency for VOCA and FVPSA, while ISP serves as the state administering agency for STOP and SASP. Based on federal grant reporting requirements, each of these grants collects slightly different data. Additionally, not all data points are available or relevant to each grant program. Table 4 indicates which data points from the ACS and IIBRS have paired grant data available for side-by-side viewing on the dashboard.

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Table 4. Federal victim services grant program data paired with ACS/IIBRS data.
 Check mark = grant data available; blank = grant data not available; black box = grant does not serve that population

ACS/IIBRS Indicator	FVPSA	SASP	STOP	VOCA
Age: 60 and Over	✓	✓	✓	✓
Age: Under 18	✓	✓	✓	✓
Disability: Ambulatory				
Disability: Cognitive				
Disability: Vision				
IIBRS: Adult Fraud Victims				
IIBRS: Adult Hate Crime Victims				
IIBRS: Adult Homicide Victims				
IIBRS: Adult Human Trafficking Victims				
IIBRS: Adult Property Crime Victims				
IIBRS: Adult Robbery Victims				
IIBRS: Elder Fraud Victims				
IIBRS: Elder Intimate Partner Violence Victims	✓			
IIBRS: Elder Sexual Assault Victims		✓		
IIBRS: Hispanic/Latino Intimate Partner Violence Victims	✓			
IIBRS: Hispanic/Latino Sexual Assault Victims		✓		
IIBRS: Non-White Intimate Partner Violence Victims	✓			
IIBRS: Non-White Sexual Assault Victims		✓		
IIBRS: Total Fraud Victims				✓
IIBRS: Total Hate Crime Victims				✓
IIBRS: Total Homicide Victims				✓
IIBRS: Total Human Trafficking Victims			✓	✓
IIBRS: Total Intimate Partner Violence Victims	✓	✓	✓	✓
IIBRS: Total Property Crime Victims				✓
IIBRS: Total Robbery Victims				✓
IIBRS: Total Sexual Assault Victims		✓	✓	✓
IIBRS: Total Violent Crime Victims	✓	✓	✓	✓
IIBRS: Under 18 Human Trafficking Victims				
IIBRS: Under 18 Intimate Partner Violence Victims	✓			✓
IIBRS: Under 18 Physical Assault Victims	✓			✓
IIBRS: Under 18 Sexual Assault Victims		✓		✓
Population: Limited English Proficiency	✓	✓	✓	✓
Population: Poverty Rate				
Population: Service Area % of State Population	✓	✓	✓	✓

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ACS/IIBRS Indicator	FVPSA	SASP	STOP	VOCA
Race/Ethnicity: American Indian/Alaska Native	✓	✓	✓	✓
Race/Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino	✓	✓	✓	✓
Race/Ethnicity: Total Non-White	✓	✓	✓	✓

NEED SCORE CALCULATIONS

Needs scores were calculated using the cumulative NORM.DIST function in Microsoft Excel.¹ Since the NORM.DIST function always returns a result between 0 and 1, the function results for each indicator were multiplied by 100 to obtain a need score between 0 and 100. These are the need scores presented on the dashboard.

Three need scores were calculated for each agency, county, and public health district. First, the NORM.DIST function was used to calculate need scores for each individual indicator. Second, indicators were grouped in a way that is consistent with VOCA priority funding categories:

- Child victims,
- Domestic/family violence,
- Sexual assault, and
- Underserved populations.

Other crime types that do not fall into one of these four categories, such as fraud and human trafficking, were grouped together into an “Other Crime” category. The category need score is an average of all indicator scores within each category. Finally, total agency/county/district scores were calculated using the average of the five category scores.

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¹ See Microsoft’s NORM.DIST support page (<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/norm-dist-function-ed1cc14-a21c-4e53-839d-8082074c9f8d>) for more information on this function.

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