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FOREWORD

I am pleased to introduce the first annual report on the activities of the state Statistical Analysis Centers in 1983. Its publication reflects one of the major functions of the Criminal Justice Statistics Association: to foster the exchange of information and analytic techniques among the states. The Association also serves to disseminate the works of the SACs at the national level through the Bureau of Justice Statistics as well as to the public at large.

The first SACs were established 12 years ago with federal funding from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration. Today more than 40 are operating. It is an indication of the SACs' utility to their states that most were continued under state auspices when federal funding was no longer available.

The activities listed in this volume attest to the importance of the SACs as sources of objective information which informs policy decisions at the state and local level. They also illustrate the broad range of justice issues currently being addressed in the states. Because criminal justice is primarily a state and local function, these issues are central to defining the national agenda as well.

I hope this report is helpful in directing policymakers, practitioners, and researchers to these very valuable resources in our states.

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HOW TO USE THIS DIRECTORY

The directory summarizes all activities of the state Statistical Analysis Centers conducted during 1983. It is a handy reference to state initiatives in criminal justice. The book is organized into four sections for easy use.

The first section is a brief narrative summarizing all the activities in the directory. It focuses on critical state and national issues in criminal justice.

The second section provides a summary of each of the 259 activities performed by the SACs in 1983. Included in each summary is the title, brief description, data sources used, date of completion, and a contact person. The list is in alphabetical order by state to aid the reader in locating a particular state or agency.

Section three is an index of all activities by substantive area. Upon examination of this section the reader may locate all activities available in the directory on a particular topic. The twenty-eight key words found in the index are listed on page 96.

The final section is an appendix. It contains the address and telephone number of each Statistical Analysis Center and a brief description of the Criminal Justice Statistics Association. Further information is desired on the contents of the directory the reader should refer to this section.

Although a brief summary of each activity is provided in the directory, the research design, findings, and other detailed information is not. The reader will have to request such information from the appropriate agency. A complete list of the SACs and their location is provided in the appendix to the directory.
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SECTION I: OVERVIEW OF SAC ACTIVITIES

The Directory of Criminal Justice Issues in the States is a directory of criminal justice programs and policy research conducted by the state Statistical Analysis Centers (SAC). The Directory is designed to serve three basic purposes: inform national policymakers on critical criminal justice issues under debate and analysis in the states; inform state policymakers on the current activity of other states to promote the exchange of criminal justice information; and strengthen the visibility and awareness of the work of the SACs.

The SACs are state agencies charged with the analysis of statistics on crime and criminal justice from a system wide perspective. These agencies provide objective information to policymakers at the state and local level. The SACs originated in 1972 as a program of the National Criminal Justice Information and Statistics Service. Most are now state funded agencies but continue to maintain a close working relationship with the Bureau of Justice Statistics. Since the advent of state funding a majority of the agencies have taken a variety of titles. However, to simplify the discussion the generic term SAC is used throughout this directory.

In 1983 the staff of the Criminal Justice Statistics Association (CJSA) surveyed the SACs and developed a computerized index to state activities in criminal justice. The Association provides general information and reports on the activities of any state or substantive area - courts, sentencing, rape - contained in the data base. This directory is a summary of the 259 activities presently on the CJSA index file.

Below is a summary of SAC activities conducted in 1983. The details of each activity are listed in the directory. This section focuses on the three major areas of SAC activity - crime statistics reporting, legislative studies, and information systems - and the substantive issues which were the focus of SAC research and analysis.

Functional Areas

The types of activities undertaken by a SAC vary depending upon the needs and concerns of each state. Activities which are common to SACs include the collection, dissemination, and publishing of state crime data; legislative impact analysis; information systems development; and research on criminal justice policy issues. The following discussion highlights the major SAC activities conducted in each of these functional areas.

Crime Statistics Reporting. The analysis of state crime data is a major task of the SACs. The majority publish an annual report of UCR data with an accompanying analysis of historical trends, or comparisons of state and national crime data. In 1983 two states prepared an annual report on the characteristics of the homicide event, the victims, and victim characteristics.
Legislative Activity. SACs are actively involved in the analysis and impact of state legislation. Three states track key criminal justice legislation on a regular basis. Reform in drunk driving and sentencing laws was the primary focus of such activity in 1983.

Four states studied new drunk driving legislation and its impact on the jails, traffic accidents, and the criminal justice processing system. The impact of changes in sentencing practices was analyzed in five states. Determinacy, mandatory sentences, and life sentences without parole were the key issues addressed by the SACs. Two states analyzed legislation which amended the juvenile justice system in their state. Legislation aimed at modifying the insanity plea was studied in one state.

Information Systems. The development and maintenance of criminal justice information systems is a primary task of SACs in five states. These systems contain data on juvenile justice, probation and parole, jail inmates, and district attorneys. The latter system provides over 40 regularly scheduled reports to the district attorney offices in the state.

Three SACs served a clearinghouse function for information systems within their states. Two of the SACs published a directory of local automated criminal justice information systems.

Technical assistance was provided to localities by one state. The SAC organized an annual criminal justice information systems conference, installed computer packages, and identified system malfunctions and information voids.

Substantive Issues

Activities of the Statistical Analysis Centers reflect the key concerns of individual states. A close examination of the issues provides a working knowledge of the most pressing concerns in criminal justice. Many of the state issues - jail overcrowding, sentencing reform, selective incapacitation - are concerns at the national level as well. The following discussion focuses on the substantive issues involved in SAC research and analysis.

Corrections. Most research studies conducted by the SACs involved issues in corrections. Seven states addressed the issue of overcrowding in prisons and jails. Alternatives to institutionalization were studied and recommendations provided to the governor or legislature. Eight states were involved in the analysis of policies affecting local jails. Condition of the facilities, offender demographics, costs, juvenile incarceration, and alternative sentences were the major issues studied.

Research on the occurrence of recidivism was conducted in eight states. The major questions addressed in these studies involved the following: what are the rates of recidivism for types of offenders? does recidivism decrease with age? what are the characteristics of offenders rearrested? what are the criminal histories of those arrested for drunk driving? what is the average length of time between release and first arrest after release? what is the correlation between recidivism and drug addiction and truancy.

The development of systems assessing offender risk was a growing concern in the states. One SAC developed a risk assessment system and the parole board adopted it as a part of the parole guidelines. A second state replicated the system to test the feasibility of transferring the technology to other jurisdictions. Another state worked on designing a risk assessment system for use in pretrial release.

Projections of corrections populations were conducted in nine states. Two of the studies involved jails and the remaining concerned prison populations. The projections were performed in conjunction with legislative impact analyses and other studies concerning overcrowding and alternatives to incarceration.

Crime Analysis. Certain crimes such as rape and substance abuse were given special attention by the SACs. The increasing number of rapes reported to authorities was a major concern. Data on the characteristics of victims, offenders, the criminal event, and the disposition of offenders were presented in a formal report by three state SACs. A survey was conducted by one state on how rape victims are treated, and the type of assistance available. Problems in the process of reporting and collecting statistics on rape were identified in another state and recommendations presented to the governor.

The national effort to combat the influx of drugs and drug abuse paralleled state interest in fighting substance abuse. In 1983 four states published reports on the arrest, seizure of evidence, and disposition of drug cases. Other states conducted research on the relationship between drug abuse, crime, and criminal activity, and provided investigative information to prosecutors concerning criminal relationships and patterns of drug activity.

A special analysis of female offenders and their crimes was undertaken in two states. A report was published by both SACs concerning the nature, extent, and arrest patterns involved in crimes by women.

Juvenile Justice. SAC projects on juvenile issues addressed a diverse agenda. The flow of juveniles through the criminal justice processing system was documented in four states. Studies in this area involved the handling of the serious and violent juvenile offender, confidentiality of juvenile records, and multidisciplinary detention facilities. Other states analyzed the effect of the baby boom on crime rates and juveniles remanded to adult court. One state maintained a data base on juvenile secure detention facilities and published an annual report.

Law Enforcement. The majority of SAC activities concerning law enforcement were related to personnel issues. Three states collected data from police and/or sheriff's departments on financial, manpower, education, and workload statistics. Two states were involved in recordkeeping activities...
on police training. Salary and fringe benefit information was collected in two states. Crime issues in this area involved the analysis of assaults on police officers, road patrol, police use of force, and crimes stopper activities.

**Courts.** Sentencing studies were the thrust of court related SAC activities. One SAC summarized research on mandatory sentencing and analyzed the impact of judicial guidelines. Another SAC reviewed sentencing reform undertaken in other states and assessed the implementation and consequences of such reforms. SAC staff provided support to a governor's task force on sentencing in one state. In another state SAC staff served on a task force concerned with court unification.

**Victim Research.** Concern for victims of crime is now an integral part of criminal justice policy and research. In 1983 fifteen of the SACs worked on projects that dealt with victim assistance, victim demographics, victimization questions, or crime prevention issues. Nine states prepared statistical reports on specific crimes, i.e., rape and homicide, which focused on victim oriented issues. One SAC assisted a state victim's assistance task force and another supported the state victim compensation board. Four SACs worked on public opinion projects which measured the public's attitudes towards crime prevention techniques, victimization, evaluation of services, and crime reporting. Studies which focused on specific victim related issues involved restitution, child abuse, and battered spouse assaults.
ALABAMA

CRIME ANALYSIS FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The SAC uses sector, time of day, and day of week to present crime data on 11 subdivisions in Jefferson County. Similar reports are available to any police agency using the incident based reporting (IBR) report forms for manpower reallocation.

Data Sources: UCR/IBR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Therese Everett (205)832-4930

CRIME IN ALABAMA REPORT

Clearance and arrest data are presented for the seven index offenses and arson broken down by city, county, SMSA, and state. Charts, tables, graphs, and summary narratives are used to describe crime in the state for the current year.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Therese Everett (205)832-4930

ALABAMA RAPE DATA

The dataset contains age and race of victim and offender; type of weapon used; location of incident; relationship of victim to offender; and the month, year, day, and time of day of the incident.

Data Sources: Supplemental Rape Reports/UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Therese Everett (205)832-4930

ALASKA

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

The SAC performs data management and statistical and analytical reviews of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Hooton (907)465-4345

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF CRIME DATA

Special reports are prepared for the statistical analysis of crime data for the state of Alaska.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Hooton (907)465-4345

SPECIAL STATISTICAL AND OTHER STUDIES

The SAC performs studies for the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Hooton (907)465-4345

ANNUAL DRUG REPORT

The number of annual arrests, cases, and seizures are presented in this report prepared upon request from the legislature.

Data Sources: UCR/State and Federal agencies
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Hooton (907)465-4345
ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIRECTORY

The directory includes phone numbers and addresses of state and local criminal justice agencies. It receives a wide distribution to government agencies and the public.

Date of Completion: 02/83
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082

CRIME IN ARIZONA

A description of crime and arrests in Arizona is presented in an annual report including a historical analysis of crime in the state.

Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: John Vivian
(602)262-8461

IMPACT EVALUATION OF "RIGHT ON RED" LAW

The problem of running red lights was examined to assess the impact of the law designed to alleviate the problem.

Data Sources: Dept. of Transportation
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: John Vivian
(602)262-8461

SERIOUSNESS AS A MEASURE OF CRIME IN ARIZONA

Seriousness weights were assessed to determine their utility as a measure of crime.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082

UPDATE OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF ARIZONA'S LOWERED DRINKING AGE

The SAC revised and reprinted a report that evaluates the impact of Arizona's lowered legal drinking age in 1972.

Data Sources: Dept. of Transportation
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082

STAFF PARTICIPATION ON GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON DWI

The SAC provided staff assistance and expertise in the area of drinking and driving research to the Governor's Task Force on Alcohol and Highway Safety.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082

AN EVALUATION OF ARIZONA'S CRACKDOWN ON THE DRINKING DRIVER

The effects of the current consciousness surrounding the implementation of tough revised drunk driving laws are examined to determine their impact on traffic accidents and the criminal justice system.

Data Sources: Dept. of Transportation/Courts/Corrections
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082

CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY AND CRIME IN ARIZONA

The study examines the factors involved with the current decrease in crime in Arizona.

Data Sources: UCR/Courts/Corrections
Contact: Tom Epperlein
(602)262-8082
Outlook 1

This report is a preliminary presentation of crime and arrest data in California.

Date of Completion: 02/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Outlook 2

This report is an advanced release of the annual report on crime and delinquency in California.

Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Crime and Delinquency in California

State statutes require an annual report which describes crime and delinquency in California.

Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Homicide in California

An overview of criminal homicide is presented in an annual report. It includes information on victims and persons arrested for homicide.

Date of Completion: 07/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Criminal Justice Profile Series

The series is a supplement to the report on Crime and Delinquency in California.

Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Juvenile Population vs Reported Crime

The effect of the baby boom on crime rates were analyzed in this study.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Complete Unknown Data in 1980 Homicide File

The maintenance and completion of a file on homicide events resulted in further analysis of the data.

Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568

Juvenile Justice Administration in California

The system flow of juveniles from arrest to court disposition is analyzed in this report.

Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Steve Crawford (916)739-5568
CALIFORNIA (cont.)

THIRTY YEAR CRIME TREND

The Bureau of Criminal Statistics has been publishing information on the seven major index offenses for 30 years (1952-1982). Various analyses have been conducted with the data to determine crime trends.

Data Sources: UCR

Date of Completion: 03/82

Contact: Steve Crawford
(916)739-5568

CHILD ABUSE STUDY

The SAC examined a case file on child abuse and neglect suspects in the state Department of Justice to determine its potential for use as source data for a study.

Data Sources: Department of Justice data file

Contact: Bryan Harradine
(916)739-5569

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S COMMISSION ON NARCOTICS

Using a census tract approach the SAC is analyzing the problems of controlled substance abuse and crime patterns. Data is being collected on arrests, narcotic enforcement, and case outcome to establish relationships with abuse and criminal activity.

Data Sources: Police/Schools/Hospitals/Treatment facilities

Date of Completion: Continuous activity

Contact: Roy Lewis
(916)739-9577

COLORADO

STUDY ON IMPACT OF NEW DUI LEGISLATION ON THE JAILS

The SAC used data collected on county jails to analyze the number of people held for DUI, both pretrial and sentenced, and their length of stay from July, 1981 to December, 1982.

Data Sources: Survey

Date of Completion: 01/83

Contact: Patricia Malak
(303)866-4971

STUDY ON JAIL CONDITIONS AND INMATE POPULATION

The SAC used data collected on county jails to analyze inmate demographics, length of stay, the arresting agency, the charges, dispositions, and transfers.

Data Sources: Survey

Date of Completion: 06/83

Contact: Patricia Malak
(303)866-4971

REPORT ON RECIDIVISM

Recidivism rates for types of offenders were analyzed and the results presented in a report. The data was collected from a sample of court and criminal history records. The research is being refined as more cases are added to the data base.

Data Sources: CCH

Date of Completion: 09/83

Contact: Patricia Malak
(303)866-4971
REPORT OF IMPACT OF LEGISLATION

The SAC analyzed the impact of the 1979 determinate sentencing legislation and other sentencing bills.

Data Sources: Courts
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Patricia Malak (303)866-4971

IMPACT OF EARLY RELEASE OF PRISONERS

Data was collected on inmates released early from prison in April 1981. The success of the inmates after their release was compared with 150 inmates released before this group. Results were used to assess the impact of proposed legislation.

Data Sources: Corrections/Parole/CCH
Date of Completion: 02/84
Contact: Patricia Malak (303)866-4971

CONNECTICUT

JUVENILE OBTS

Juveniles were tracked from referral through final disposition. The study involved 500 serious offenders for a specific year plus a large sample of the remaining population.

Data Sources: OBTS
Date of Completion: 02/84
Contact: Gerald F. Stowell (203)566-3522

ADULT OBTS

Samples of OBTS data are analyzed for cases completed in 1976-1977 and 1979-1980. There are 2000 cases per sample.

Data Sources: OBTS/Courts
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Gerald F. Stowell (203)566-3522

LONGITUDINAL JUVENILE STUDY

Six thousand 14 and 15 year old juveniles from 1976 were tracked through the processing system to see if they had contact with the adult justice system when they were 16-20 years old.

Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Gerald F. Stowell (203)566-3522
CONNECTICUT (cont.)

UCR ANALYSIS

UCR data is analyzed to determine trends and to formulate projections.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Gerald F. Stowell (203)566-1522

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

RISK ASSESSMENT RESEARCH

The research is designed as a partial replication of a risk assessment tool developed by D. Fischer of the Iowa SAC. It tests the feasibility of Fischer’s tool for parolees in the District of Columbia. The data base consists of 1,233 parolees in 1980.

Data Sources: Parole
Date of Completion: 07/84
Contact: Mary-Paula Walsh (202)272-6496

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE

The SAC distributes data on the District of Columbia’s criminal justice system. Included are crime and arrest statistics, courts, corrections, parole statistics, and SAC reports.

Data Sources: Police/Courts/Corrections/Parole
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: D. Marlene Carpenter (202)272-6495

TIME IN PRISON STUDY

Data from the Department of Corrections’ CRISYS (master data file) system was analyzed to determine the actual length of time served by inmates. The analysis was based upon a sample of parolees from the Lorton Reformatory in 1982.

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Mary-Paula Walsh (202)272-6496
FACTORS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE VIOLENT YOUTHFUL OFFENDER

The study looks at the factors involved in first offenders becoming young violent offenders. Case histories of persons sentenced under the Youth Corrections Act are contrasted with first offenders and juveniles characterized as major offenders.

Data Sources: Courts/Police/Lorton Youth Center
Date of Completion: 08/84
Contact: Mary Walsh/Marlene Carpenter
(202)727-6495

D.C. CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

The project involves the development of a management information system which provides monthly summary statistics on crime and arrest data, prosecution and court data, manpower and budget data, and ultimately effectiveness measures.

Data Sources: All Agencies in the D.C. Criminal Justice System
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Robert Lester
(202)727-6551

CLEARINGHOUSE LIBRARY

A library containing statistical documents on the Florida criminal justice system is continually maintained and upgraded.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: William Bales
(904)488-0090

FLORIDA CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATISTICS CLEARINGHOUSE DIRECTORY

A directory of the documents currently existing in the clearinghouse library includes a complete citation and brief summary of each source of information.

Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: William Bales
(904)488-0090

STATEWIDE SURVEY OF LOCAL AUTOMATED CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The survey was conducted to enable the compilation of a directory of automated criminal justice information systems within Florida. Through a series of 14 questions respondents described the nature of their information systems, its functions, and the users.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: William Bales
(904)488-0090
FLORIDA

LOCAL CORRECTIONAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (LCAP)

LCAP is based on tracking a stratified random sample of defendants from the arrest event through final disposition. A profile of the criminal justice system in a local jurisdiction is analyzed using information on offender demographics, criminal history, costs, etc.

Data Sources: Sample of Defendants
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: William Bales
0604648-0090

GEORGIA

GENERAL COMPUTERIZED CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT

Analysts produce ranked listings of possible suspects or vehicles involved in high priority investigations by state and local law enforcement agencies.

Data Sources: CCH/Driver's license/Vehicle registration
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Gibson Heuett
(404)656-6110

COMPUTERIZED CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE TASK FORCE SUPPORT

Analysts and programmers are assigned to ad hoc major case task forces to provide onsite computerized criminal investigative support. All products of these efforts are formatted and coded for entry in a special data base.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jack Kaho
(404)656-6110

SPECIAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DATA ANALYSIS PROJECTS

Telephone information is analyzed to provide investigative leads or corroborative evidence on drug trafficking conspiracy cases for prosecutors. The information establishes criminal relationships and patterns of criminal activity.

Data Sources: Telephone toll records
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jack Kaho
(404)656-6110
GEORGIA (cont.)

UCR REPORTING
Data sets have been developed for statewide, regional, and countywide use of the incident-based reporting system of the UCR program. Output reports are produced by request, i.e., specific time periods, time of day, day of week, type of crime, etc.

Data Sources: UCR/IBR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Gibson Heuett (404)656-6110

STUDIES AND REPORTS BY REQUEST
Selected reports on crime and arrest data are produced by request from UCR and CCH data bases.

Data Sources: UCR/CCH
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Gibson Heuett (404)656-6110

HAWAII

1982 UCR ANNUAL REPORT
A summary of crime in Hawaii is presented in an annual report.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 07/83
Contact: Brian Horiuchi (808)548-2090

OFFENDER PROCESSING STATISTICS
Under a cooperative agreement with BJS the SAC analyzed offender processing statistics using OBTS system data and presented a description of the Hawaii criminal justice system.

Data Sources: OBTS
Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: Steve E. Vidinha (808)548-2090

RAPE STUDY
The study describes the characteristics of rape victims and offenders, and tracks offenders through the system to their final disposition.

Data Sources: Police/Courts/OBTS/CCH
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Steven E. Vidinha (808)548-2090
REARRESTS, CONVICTIONS AFTER RELEASE FROM PRISON

Research is being conducted to see if prisoners released during 1979 and 1980 were rearrested. If so, for what crimes? Were there any convictions? What are some of the characteristics of those rearrested? Does recidivism decrease with age?

Data Sources: OTBS/CCH/Corrections
Contact: Steven E. Vidinha
(808)548-2090

MURDER VICTIM CHARACTERISTICS

The characteristics of murder victims are presented in a descriptive report.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Steven E. Vidinha
(808)548-2090

SURVEY OF IMPACT OF EXCLUSIONARY RULE

The SAC conducted a survey to assess the impact of the exclusionary rule on felony cases in the state.

Data Sources: Survey/UCR
Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: W.C. Overton
(208)334-2909

SURVEY OF LOCAL AGENCY DRUG ENFORCEMENT

The survey collects data on drug enforcement related activity including the type and amount of drugs, weapons, vehicles, or other materials seized; the number and charge of arrests made; and other crimes committed at the same time.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: W.C. Overton
(208)334-2909
FARM-RELATED THEFT IN IOWA

UCR data is analyzed for the incidence and variety of farm-related theft in the state. An annual report will be available in October of each year. Preliminary steps are being taken to obtain comparative state data.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Stageberg, Paul Oberg (515)281-3108

ASSAULTS ON OFFICERS IN IOWA

UCR data is analyzed for the incidence and variety of assaults on peace officers in Iowa. An annual report is available in October of each year.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Stageberg, Paul Oberg (515)281-3108

DRUG-RELATED ARRESTS IN IOWA

Planning is in progress for an annual report on drug-related arrests in Iowa. Patterns of drug-related arrests will be analyzed including trends over time.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Stageberg (515)281-3108

PATTERNS IN ARRESTS OF WOMEN IN IOWA

UCR data was analyzed for the incidence of arrests of women over time.

Data Sources: UCR
Contact: Paul Stageberg (515)281-3108

ADMINISTRATIVE STATISTICS FOR IOWA POLICE DEPARTMENTS

A survey of chiefs of police is conducted annually which includes salaries, benefits, demographic data on employees, fringe benefits, etc. A report is released in September of each year.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Marcia Cohan (515)281-8078

PAROLE GUIDELINES PROJECT

The SAC prepares a risk assessment for all parole candidates each month. The data is provided to the Parole Board as criteria of the parole guidelines.

Data Sources: Parole
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer (515)281-8091
IOWA (cont.)

RISK ASSESSMENT REVALIDATION PROJECT

Data is being collected on a sample of 1000 parolees released in Iowa from 1977-1980 to validate and improve upon Iowa's risk assessment system. Several new variables are being collected and attention is being given to simplify the system.

Data Sources: Parole
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer (515)281-8091

PAROLING ACTIVITY ANALYSIS

In conjunction with the research projects on risk assessment the Iowa SAC is continually analyzing Parole Board activity to identify trends, suggest improvements, etc.

Data Sources: Parole
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer/Lettie Prell (515)281-8091

SHERIFF'S TECHNICAL DATA SURVEY

A survey is conducted to collect administrative data from the 99 county sheriff's departments. The data includes salaries, benefits, demographics of personnel, etc. A report is released in October of each year.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Marcia Cohan (515)281-8078

IOWA (cont.)

PRISON POPULATION ANALYSIS

On a routine basis the Iowa SAC analyzes the demographic and criminal histories of the prison population, in part, to suggest changes in sentencing patterns and parole practices.

Data Sources:
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer (515)281-8091

MUSCATINE BURGLARY ANALYSIS

Data is submitted by a local law enforcement agency and analyzed to help in reducing burglaries in Muscatine, Iowa.

Data Sources: Muscatine Burglary Reports
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Oberg (515)281-8092

OBTS DATA ANALYSIS

The SAC is analyzing OBTS data elements submitted by three counties. It is anticipated that release of reports from these analyses will begin in 1983 or 1984.

Data Sources: OBTS
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Stageberg (515)3281-3168
JUVENILE COALITION DATA COLLECTION

A statewide group of juvenile justice service providers submit data to the SAC on a monthly basis for analysis. Reports are prepared for each agency and for statewide analysis. Data collection began in October, 1982.

Data Sources: Code sheets from service providers
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Frank Poduska
(515)281-8090

COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS PROJECT

A survey of 190 criminal justice professionals and data on 1,250 offenders (including follow-up data) are being analyzed to determine the effect of community-based corrections on the justice system in Des Moines.

Data Sources: Survey of practitioners
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Paul Stageberg
(515)281-3108

ADULT PROBATION DATA COLLECTION

The data are submitted from the fifth Judicial District and cover probation admissions and discharges. The data includes demographic and criminal history information. Quarterly reports are generated.

Data Sources: Probation
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Frank Poduska
(515)281-8090

IMPACT OF LEGISLATION

The SAC assists the Legislative Fiscal Bureau in assessing the impact of various criminal justice proposals, including changes in sentencing statutes, the prison "cap," etc. This activity is ongoing during the legislative session (January-May each year).

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer
(515)281-8091

LIFERS IN IOWA'S PRISON SYSTEM

A study is in progress on Iowa's prison system using demographic data from the Department of Corrections and the Parole Board. Anticipated release of the report is May 1984.

Data Sources: Corrections/Parole
Contact: Laura Weinstein
(515)281-3105

MULTI-YEAR CRIME PATTERNS IN IOWA

Studies on women in crime and drug-related crime are being usurped by a several volume study on multiyear crime patterns in Iowa. Reports are anticipated on instate comparisons, national crime comparisons, and arrest patterns.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul Stageberg
(515)281-3105

IOWA CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIRECTORY

This annual publication lists major administrators in Iowa's criminal justice system, including chiefs, sheriffs, county attorneys, judges, correctional and juvenile justice officials, public defenders offices, and research programs, etc.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Marcia Cohan
(515)281-8078
OWI TRACKING STUDY

A sample of OWI (operating while under the influence) cases were selected from those in which arrests occurred during the last six months of 1983 to determine how cases are disposed. Data will be collected on offender demographics and criminal histories.

Date of Completion: 09/84
Contact: Paul Stageberg
(515)281-3108

JOB DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

In March, 1984 the SAC began collection of data from job developers employed by the fifth judicial district Department of Correctional Services to determine the types of employment obtained by CBC clients, their length of employment, etc.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Daryl Fischer
(515)281-6091

KANSAS

CRIME IN KANSAS 1982

Crime data is analyzed for the state and presented in an annual report.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

KANSAS JUVENILE JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT

The processing of juveniles through the justice system is described in an annual report.

Data Sources: Kansas Juvenile Justice Information System
Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

LEGISLATIVE SESSION 1983

The SAC is primarily concerned with Senate Bill 103 which formally recreates the Kansas juvenile justice system. The system was seriously changed in January, 1983 by a new juvenile code.

Data Sources: Legislature
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000
EMPLOYMENT AND EXPENDITURE 1981

The SAC maintains employment and expenditure data for the state justice system and produces an annual report. The data collection began in 1982 after the federal project was terminated.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY

A report on traffic safety in the state is produced every two years.

Data Sources: Kansas Highway Patrol/Dept. of Transportation
Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIRECTORY

The directory is published every two years and includes phone numbers and addresses of all criminal justice agencies in the state.

Date of Completion: 12/82
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

NEW INCIDENT BASED UCR SYSTEM

The SAC manages the incident based reporting (IBR) system which will be the foundation of a transactional reporting system for the entire justice process.

Data Sources: UCR/IBR
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Mary Lou McPhail
(913)267-5000

PROBATION DATA SYSTEM

The system was developed for the Office of Judicial Administration.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000

KANSAS YUVENILE JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM

The information is being incorporated into the new incident based transactional system which includes data on juveniles from law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts.

Date of Completion: 07/84
Contact: Michael E. Boyer
(913)267-5000
MARYLAND

CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM STATISTICS
An annual report summarizes law enforcement, courts, corrections, juvenile justice, probation, and parole for the current fiscal year and calendar year.

Data Sources: UCR/Courts/Parole/Probation
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Janet Rosenbaum
(301)321-3636

AN OVERVIEW OF MANDATORY SENTENCING
A newsletter reviewed research on four states' experiences with mandatory sentencing as a deterrent for future criminal activity and as a force impacting on the criminal justice system.

Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: Steve Martin
(301)321-3636

DWI PROCESSING STATISTICS IN MARYLAND
Arrest data and court and probation data are presented in a report on the processing of drunk drivers through the justice system in Maryland. The report presents data over the past five fiscal years. Other reports present DWI processing statistics.

Data Sources: UCR/Courts/Parole/Probation
Date of Completion: 05/83
Contact: Janet Rosenbaum
(301)321-3636

MARYLAND (cont.)

CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES: PROCESSING STATISTICS IN MARYLAND
A report analyzes the enforcement of controlled dangerous substances in Maryland and includes data on arrests, court dispositions, and the incarceration of offenders.

Contact: Steven Martin
(301)321-3636

ADVISORY BOARD ON RAPE AND SEXUAL OFFENSES
The Advisory Board examines issues involving rape and sexual offense legislation, victim/witness support, and the accountability of the justice system.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Catherine Conly
(301)321-3614

RECIDIVISM AFTER RELEASE FROM PRISON
The report examines a cohort of 6,000 males released from the Department of Corrections in 1978. The analysis looks at demographic and offense characteristics of the offenders rearrested and the average length of time between release and first arrest after release.

Data Sources: OBSCIS/Dept. of Public Safety/Corrections
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Catherine Conly
(301)321-3614
MARYLAND (cont.)

JUDICIAL SENTENCING PRACTICES IN MARYLAND

The SAC analyzed sentencing data before and after implementation of judicial guidelines. The study focused on sentencing decisions by jurisdiction, offense, and judge.

Data Sources: Maryland's Sentencing Guidelines Project
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Catherine Conly (301)321-3614

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

The SAC provides staff support by analyzing assorted research topics upon request and by assisting with potential legislative initiatives. Examples include analyses of criminal summaries and examining specific laws.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Catherine Conly (301)321-3614

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON CORRECTIONAL REHABILITATION

The SAC provided staff support to the Task Force by analyzing the quality and quantity of rehabilitation programs in Maryland, and assisting in the preparation of the final report to the governor.

Data Sources: OBCIS/Probation
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Catherine Conly (301)321-3614

MARYLAND (cont.)

AD HOC COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE USE AND AVAILABILITY OF JUVENILE DATA

The SAC director chairs the committee which analyzes the use of juvenile records by various justice agencies, limitations of juvenile data, and confidentiality of juvenile records. A final report summarizing the results has been published.

Data Sources: Survey
Contact: Catherine Conly (301)321-3614

MEETING ON STATE STATISTICS GATHERING OF BATTERED SPOUSE ASSAULTS

The SAC and other participants are engaged in a review of the current methods of collecting data on spouse abuse assaults by the state police UCR section to develop a uniform reporting system of spouse abuse assaults for battered women's shelters.

Data Sources: Police battered spouse reports
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Janet Rosenbaum (301)321-3656

TIME ACTUALLY SERVED IN PRISON

The length of time served in Maryland's prisons was analyzed for inmates released between January 1, 1982 and December 31, 1982. The variables which were studied include sentence length, offense, race, age, and sex distributions of the 1982 releases.

Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Catherine Conly (301)321-3614

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MASSACHUSETTS

UPDATE OF THE DIRECTORY OF MASSACHUSETTS CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES

A 1984 update of the 1980 Directory of Massachusetts Criminal Justice Agencies was published and includes addresses, telephone numbers, and contact names.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 02/84
Contact: Joanne M. Quigley (617)727-6300

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANTI-CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

The SAC is providing technical assistance to the newly created "Anti-Crime Prevention Council" over the next year.

Data Sources: Courts/Rape working groups/Corrections
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Joanne M. Quigley (617)727-6300

PREPARING CRIME ANALYSES OF UCR QUARTERLY STATISTICS

The SAC prepares an annual report which analyzes and compares Massachusetts crime data with national figures. Quarterly analyses are included which compare crime data for the most recent quarter with that of the previous year.

Data Sources: UCR/Sourcebook/Dept. of Public Safety
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Joanne M. Quigley (617)727-6300

ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE LEVEL INFORMATION SYSTEM

This project establishes a process for maintaining state level capabilities for providing state and local governments with criminal justice statistical information.

Data Sources: Courts/Legislature/UCR/Dept. of Public Safety
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Joanne M. Quigley (617)727-6300

RAPE STUDY

Questionnaires were sent to most universities, colleges, and hospitals in Massachusetts to determine how rape victims are treated, what is available at these facilities to assist rape victims, etc.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Jennifer Panagopoulos (617)727-6300
CRIME FACTS 1982

This report analyzes 1982 index crime trends with special attention on auto theft trends, comparisons of index crime in metropolitan and rural counties, and trends in age of arrestees.

Data Sources: UCE
Date of Completion: 01/84
Contact: Tom Johnson (517)373-6510

EVALUATION OF SECONDARY ROAD PATROL 1982 ACTIVITIES

An analysis of the use of state funds in patrolling secondary roads was conducted to determine the effectiveness in reducing auto accidents and fatalities.

Data Sources: Site data collection/11 county sheriffs
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Tom Johnson (517)373-6510

JAIL UTILIZATION IN 1983

An analysis of jail utilization in 1983 is provided in a report which shows jails that had 100% or more utilization and those 50% or under.

Data Sources: Dept. of Corrections Jail Services System
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Tom Johnson (517)373-6510

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The SAC provides state and Federal data and data sources upon request.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Tom Johnson (517)373-6510
MINNESOTA

JUVENILE COURT PROCESSING 1983
Juvenile offenses and dispositions for calendar year 1983 are presented in a report on a statewide and county basis.

Data Sources: Juvenile OBTS
Date of Completion: 05/84
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

BJD "REPORT TO THE NATION"-MINNESOTA COMPARISONS
The SAC is developing comparative crime data for select items in the BJS "Report to the Nation".

Data Sources: CCH/OBTS/UCR
Date of Completion: 06/85
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

DEMOGRAPHIC PROJECTION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE POPULATIONS
Future trends are projected for reported crime, arrests, and system case flow resulting from changes in age, sex, and racial composition of Minnesota's population at the county level. A report will present results and the policy implications.

Data Sources: UCR/1980 census projections/OBTS/Corrections
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

MINNESOTA (cont.)

COURT PROCESSING OF SERIOUS ADULT OFFENDERS
The report analyzes the tracking of felons from arrest to adjudication, conviction, and sentencing at the state and county levels for Minnesota.

Data Sources: Felony OBTS
Date of Completion: 08/84
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

STAFF-MINNESOTA JUVENILE CODE REVISION TASK FORCE
The SAC is providing staff support to the Task Force. The project includes a review of juvenile justice standards and philosophy, and the revision of juvenile laws.

Data Sources: Juvenile laws/Juvenile OBTS/UCR
Date of Completion: 05/85
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

PRISON AND JAIL OVERCROWDING ISSUE PACKAGE
A collection of data and information on prison and jail overcrowding, both nationally and in Minnesota, is available from the SAC. Alternative solutions, projections of jail populations (in relation to jail capacity), and a bibliography are included.

Data Sources: Corrections/BJD
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819
MINORITY ISSUE PACKAGE

A collection of data and information on minorities in the justice system, both nationally and in Minnesota, is available from the SAC. It includes a review of data and literature on the over-representation of minorities at all stages of the criminal justice system.

Data Sources: OTS/CCH/UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

MEMBER-COURT UNIFICATION TASK FORCE

A SAC staffer serves on the Court Unification Task Force which is considering the merger of county and district courts in Minnesota.

Date of Completion: 02/84
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

MEMBER-VICTIMS' ASSISTANCE TASK FORCE

A SAC staffer serves on the Victims' Assistance Task Force which seeks to implement recommendations of the national task force on victims and to access and offer solutions for the problems faced by crime victims in Minnesota.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

The SAC reviews the legislative proposals of other state criminal justice agencies.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

MINNESOTA INTERAGENCY CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY TASK FORCE

The SAC provides policy analyses and related support work to a new Governor's task force. Activities include the coordination of interagency criminal justice activities and an information center.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

SUPPORT-METRO COUNCIL CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The SAC provides support to the committee responsible for reviewing and recommending improvements in the metropolitan criminal justice system of the twin cities.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819

INFORMATION CENTER

The SAC serves as a state clearinghouse for criminal justice. Documents, publications, program models, statistics, and handouts are provided free of charge. The center has access to networks and information systems across the nation.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Kathryn Guthrie (612)296-7819
MONTANA

PUBLIC OPINION TELEPHONE SURVEY

The survey measured victimization rates and opinions on criminal justice issues and Montana court system issues.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 12/82
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604

EXCLUSIONARY RULE IMPACT STUDY

The purpose of the study was to determine the effects of the exclusionary rule on felony cases filed in Montana District Courts. Counts were taken of cases in which motions to suppress evidence were filed in 1980 and 1981.

Data Sources: Clerks of District Courts
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604

EFFECTS OF THE EXCLUSIONARY RULE ON PROSECUTION

The study attempts to determine the effects of the exclusionary rule on cases brought to the county prosecutor's office. It examined both cases accepted and cases rejected for prosecution.

Data Sources: County attorneys
Date of Completion: 04/84
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604

CRIMESTOPPERS ACTIVITIES

The SAC analyzes data on the number of tips received, crimes cleared, arrests, convictions, rewards paid, value of seized narcotics, and the value of property recovered.

Data Sources: Program coordinators
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604

CRIME IN MONTANA

An annual report is published on crime in the state of Montana as reported to law enforcement agencies.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604

STUDY ON JAIL CONDITIONS

The SAC director is a member of a task force appointed by the governor to study conditions of local facilities. Jail conditions, overcrowding, and the development of regional jail facilities are under study. Recommendations will be provided by August, 1984.

Date of Completion: 08/84
Contact: Larry Petersen (406)449-3604
NEBRASKA

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA AND INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE

The SAC maintains a clearinghouse via a cooperative agreement with BJS. It serves as a central repository of information resources and a liaison with federal statistical resources.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Bruce Ayers
(402)471-2194

UNIFORM CRIME STATISTICS REPORTING

The SAC provides: 1) training of law enforcement agencies in UCR classification and program methods and procedures; 2) data processing of UCR records; and 3) preparation of UCR monthly, quarterly, and annual reports.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 09/84
Contact: Marilyn Keelan
(402)471-2194

JAIL INMATE RECORDS AND STATISTICAL SYSTEM (JIRS)

The administration of JIRS establishes an ongoing database which provides statistical information on the typology and flow of inmates through local criminal detention facilities. The system enhances sound record-keeping practices by locals.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Mark Martin
(402)471-2194

NEW HAMPSHIRE

ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING REPORT

The SAC is studying the possibility of using alternative sentences to overcome jail overcrowding.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Mark Thompson
(603)271-3658

ARREST RATES BASED ON REPORTING POPULATION

Arrest rates based on reporting populations were calculated for every UCR crime, part I and part II, for each of the fifty states.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Mark Thompson
(603)271-3658

NEW HAMPSHIRE POLICE REPORT

The SAC is updating information on the costs of personnel in New Hampshire's state, county, and local police departments.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Mark Thompson
(603)271-3658

NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNTY CORRECTIONS REPORT

An indepth look at the county correctional facilities is provided in the report.

Contact: Mark Thompson
(603)271-3658
SCHOOL FUNDING SUIT

The staff provided extensive technical assistance to the Attorney General's office in defense of a case affecting funding of state programs. It required considerable historical and legal research on state constitutional questions.

Date of Completion: 07/83
Contact: Mark Thompson (603)271-3658

RAPE STUDY

The SAC conducted a statistical analysis of the crime of rape which includes the victim and offender, crime settings, areas of concern, age groups, seasonality, etc.

Date of Completion: 01/84
Contact: Mark Thompson (603)271-3658

CONVICTION STUDY

The SAC used conviction data on selected part I and part II offenses from the District and Superior Courts and provided reports on age, sex, disposition of offenders, and length of sentences imposed.

Data Sources: Courts
Date of Completion: 01/84
Contact: Mark Thompson (603)271-3658

NEW YORK

HOMICIDE 1981

A summary report on homicide in New York state describes the characteristics of homicide events including the offenders and victims. It also discusses how homicide offenses are changing in New York state over time. The report is published annually.

Data Sources: UCR/Supplementary homicide data files
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

CRIME AND JUSTICE ANNUAL REPORT

The SAC collects and analyzes criminal justice data for an annual report including offense and arrest data, indictments, and dispositions and sentence information reported by the courts. It also includes data from probation, parole, and corrections.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

RESTITUTION PROJECT

The feasibility of the increased use of restitution as a criminal sanction is examined for the nation and New York state. Advantages and problems with restitution are analyzed at both conceptual and implementation stages.

Data Sources: Field interviews/Legal research
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724
NEW YORK (cont.)

SENTENCING REFORM

The SAC reviewed sentencing reform undertaken in other states and assessed the implementation and consequences of such reforms. It provided support to the office of the Director of Criminal Justice for developing sentencing reform in New York.

Data Sources: Literature reviews
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

CONVICTION AND INCARCERATION ANALYSIS

Defendant and case characteristics were studied to assess the probability of conviction and the probability of incarceration given conviction.

Data Sources: CCH/OBTS
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE

BJ&J funds this ongoing project to improve transfer of criminal justice information and analysis among Federal, state, local, and private organizations. A directory of New York criminal justice information sources was completed in May, 1983.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

NEW YORK (cont.)

EVALUATION OF CLIENT-SPECIFIC PLANNING IN ONONDAGA COUNTY

An assessment of the use of client-specific planning by defense attorneys was conducted by studying the acceptance of the program by judges and the community and the effectiveness of employing nonincarcerative sanctions for convicted offenders.

Data Sources: Courts/interviews
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

EVALUATION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE CCH DATA BASE

The data base was evaluated for the impact of missing or incorrect information on the interpretation of research results. Strategies were recommended for alleviating or circumventing problems with the data base.

Data Sources: CCH
Date of Completion: 03/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

FINES PROJECT

The advantages and problems of fine systems are examined at both the conceptual and implementation levels. The feasibility of the increased use of fines as a criminal sanction is addressed. The Vera Institute's study is the starting point.

Data Sources: Office telephone survey/Field survey
Contact: Information Service (518)457-3724
NEW YORK (cont.)

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROJECT

Legislation amending the Family Court Act is being qualitatively analyzed. Emphasis is placed upon the impact that may result from the alteration of juvenile delinquency proceedings.

Data Sources: Juvenile delinquency literature
Date of Completion: 04/84
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING

The SAC identifies and tracks key criminal justice legislation and monitors the Assembly Codes Committee, and the Senate Committee on Crime and Corrections. A report is produced annually.

Data Sources: NYS Legislative Index
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE

A policy and impact analysis is being conducted for proposed legislation regarding life sentences without parole.

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

NEW YORK (cont.)

YOUTH INCARCERATED IN LOCAL JAILS

A survey of 16-21 year olds incarcerated in county jails was coded, edited, and analyzed by the SAC. A statistical report was provided to selected county governments.

Data Sources: Inmate survey
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

OFFENDER BASED TRANSACTION STATISTICS 1980

Descriptive and analytic summaries of detailed source data regarding the processing of offenders were presented in a report. It included felony offenders with arrests that reached final court disposition in calendar year 1980.

Data Sources: CCH/OBTS
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

PENALTY ASSESSMENT BRIEFING PAPER

Information pertaining to the administration, collection of revenue, and legislation involved in penalty assessment is presented. The paper is an update of an original penalty assessment project.

Data Sources: Courts/State Comptroller/Dept. of Motor Vehicles
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724
PREDICTIVE ATTRIBUTE ANALYSIS

Methodology was examined for studying and presenting the combined effects of many variables on processing decisions. The 12 month study was funded through a cooperative agreement with the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Data Sources: CCH/Artificial data sets
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

PRISON POPULATION PROJECTIONS

The SAC is engaged in a joint project with the Department of Correctional Services to develop, test, and refine methods for projecting prison populations. It includes methods for simulating the probable impact of policies and procedures.

Data Sources: CCH/Indictment Statistical System
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

PROBATION ELIGIBLE OFFENDERS

The risks to a community using alternative sentences were assessed by using previously developed algorithms to study criminal histories, arrest charges, and socio-demographic characteristics of incarcerated offenders who were eligible for probation.

Data Sources: CCH
Date of Completion: 04/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

SENTENCING MODIFICATION MODEL

A computer assisted mechanism was developed for assessing potential impacts of changes in New York state sentencing statutes. Initial efforts focused on felony convictions with highest priority given to impacts on prison sentences.

Data Sources: Indictment Statistical System
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

GRAPHICS SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

The SAC is investigating the development of microcomputer software with which criminal justice agencies can use CP/M based microcomputers to produce presentation quality graphics at a reasonable cost.

Date of Completion: 09/84
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

VIOLENT FELONY OFFENSES IN NEW YORK STATE

A report is produced semi-annually on the processing and disposition of violent felony and gun related cases. It also provides an assessment of the overall impact which these cases have upon the criminal justice system.

Data Sources: Indictment Statistical System/CCH
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724
NEW YORK (cont.)

JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN NEW YORK STATE
The most current data available on juvenile offender cases in New York state is presented in this semi-annual report.

Data Sources: Indictment Statistical System/CCH
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

MISDEMEANOR SUMMARIES FOR PROBATION
Regional summaries of reported convictions and sentences were prepared for the New York state Division of Probation. It included cases arising from misdemeanor arrests that occurred in 1980-1982.

Data Sources: CCH
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

CRIMINAL JUSTICE EXPENDITURES AND PERSONNEL STATISTICS
Information on criminal justice expenditures and personnel allocations throughout New York state were provided for all towns, villages, and city governments.

Data Sources: UCR/NYS executive budget/State Comptroller
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

NEW YORK (cont.)

QUARTERLY FELONY PROCESSING REPORT
Statistics concerning New York state indictments and felony prosecutions are presented on a quarterly basis as useful and timely information to members of the criminal justice community.

Data Sources: Indictment Statistical System
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

SUFFOLK COUNTY EVALUATION
The SAC evaluated a community service program in Suffolk County. It is an alternative sentencing option for convicted offenders who would otherwise be sentenced to local jail.

Data Sources: Probation/Interviews/CCH
Date of Completion: 09/84
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724

JOINT PROJECT WITH PAROLE
The SAC is examining parole supervision in conjunction with the Division of Parole to determine its content and effectiveness.

Data Sources: Literature review
Contact: Information Services (518)457-3724
NORTH CAROLINA

1983 COMPREHENSIVE DATA FILE

The file is comprised of statistics from the police information network, administrative office of the courts, and Department of Corrections.

Data Sources: Police/Courts/Corrections
Contact: David Jones (919)733-5013

ALTERNATIVES TO THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

The report analyzes the present use of alternatives to prosecution and incarceration in North Carolina and the feasibility and method for expanding such policies without reducing public safety.

Contact: David Jones (919)733-5013

QUALITY OF CASES STUDY

The study analyzes the characteristics of high quality criminal cases from the law enforcement and prosecutorial perspective.

Contact: David Jones (919)733-5013

SERIOUS/VIOLENT JUVENILE OFFENDER

The study analyzes the problem of the violent offender to determine if the juveniles are being handled appropriately and if improvements in the system are warranted.

Contact: David Jones (919)733-5013

LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA SURVEY

The survey collects data from all police and sheriff's departments in the state for financial, manpower, training, education, workload, performance, and policy information.

Data Sources: Survey
Contact: David Jones (919)733-5013

NORTH DAKOTA

PROBATION AND PAROLE CLASSIFICATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEM (CLAS)

The system provides ADF reports to an otherwise manual caseload administrative system.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Robert J. Helten (701)224-2594

LAW ENFORCEMENT JOB TASK ANALYSIS

A survey of law enforcement officers across the state was analyzed to determine the activities and responsibilities of the officers so that training can be tailored appropriately.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 05/84
Contact: Beverly Schulke (703)471-4663

CRIME IN NORTH DAKOTA 1982

An annual report is prepared summarizing crime data in the state.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: Robert J. Helten (701)224-2594
ANALYSIS OF POPULATION GROWTH AT THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE PENITENTIARY AND STATE FARM

The study identified factors which affect prison populations in general and then analyzed these and other factors specific to the North Dakota penitentiary.

Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Robert J. Helten
(701)224-2594

NORTH DAKOTA JAIL REPORT 1982

An annual report presents jail data from all local correctional facilities in North Dakota with an accompanying analysis.

Data Sources: Jails
Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: Robert J. Helten
(701)224-2594

OHIO

PROBATION OFFICERS STUDY

Three hundred and fifty Federal, state, county, and municipal probation officers were surveyed to analyze their role functions, perceived effectiveness, opinions, and morale.

Date Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 04/84
Contact: Mark Davis
(614)466-0276

OFFENDER BASED TRANSACTIONAL STATISTICS STUDY

The research effort involves a case-by-case tracking of 1,500-2,000 Ohio adult felony arrestees processed through 15-20 representative law enforcement agencies and their corresponding County Courts of Common Pleas.

Date Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Gary Burkholder
(614)466-0310

LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK ANALYSIS

A jurisdiction-based analysis was conducted on the four million pieces of information collected during the 1981-82 task analysis study.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310
OHIO (cont.)

USE OF FORCE STUDY

The study analyzed the extent and frequency of police use of force on duty.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 06/83
Contact: Mark Davis
(614)466-0276

JUVENILE OFFENDER STUDY

Serious juvenile offenders will be profiled beginning at the point of arrest. The sample is based on privacy and security restrictions.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 08/84
Contact: Linda Moore
(614)466-5127

SAC RESEARCH REQUEST AND RESPONSES

An analysis of SAC research requests and responses is presented in an annual report for the SAC Advisory Board.

Data Sources: Log of requests
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

OHIO SERIOUS CRIME VICTIMIZATION

The SAC produces an annual report on serious crime victimization data derived from annual Federal studies.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Linda Moore
(614)466-5127

CITIZEN ATTITUDE SURVEY

Four citizen attitude surveys have been conducted by the SAC. They analyze citizen attitudes and opinions regarding a wide range of crime and criminal justice issues.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

OHIO CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM PROFILE

A special computerized criminal histories report for BJS highlights offender flow through the Ohio justice system.

Data Sources: CCH
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310
IMPLEMENTATION OF $30,000,000 LOCAL JAIL CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION PROGRAM

The program was authorized by the legislature in 1982. Major SAC duties include: designing and formatting a jail survey instrument, a critique of OCJS rules and guidelines for project funding, analysis of data needs, and presentations.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SAC ADVISORY BOARD

The SAC has maintained a 12-member panel since 1978. It is advisory in scope, composed of key practitioners, and responsible for reviewing SAC research products, initiating and prioritizing research issues, and acting as a conduit to the community.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

ANALYSIS OF OHIO UCR DATA

The SAC has proposed to annually secure the Ohio UCR data base from the FBI, publish an annual report, maintain and encourage UCR reporting throughout the state, and maintain contact with the national UCR evaluation effort (ABT Assoc.).

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Linda Moore
(614)466-9127

LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICY RESEARCH

Salary and fringe benefit information was analyzed from nine Ohio police departments serving populations of 5,000-7,000 people. This study was requested by the London, Ohio police department.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

MULTIJURISDICTIONAL JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY

The study will determine the feasibility, practicality, and benefits of locating a five county juvenile detention facility in Washington County, Ohio.

Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Bob Swisher
(614)466-0286

EVALUATION OF OHIO SERIOUS JUVENILE OFFENDER INITIATIVE

Two of the special treatment programs were analyzed to determine their impact on the serious juvenile offender.

Data Sources: Project data from treatment programs
Date of Completion: 08/84
Contact: Bob Swisher
(614)466-0286
SUPPORT FOR THE OHIO PEACE OFFICER TRAINING COUNCIL (OPOTC)

A SAC task analysis study conducted for OPOTC has served to establish a regular relationship between the two agencies. The SAC is on the agenda for bi-monthly meetings, and jointly participates with council staff in presentations.

Contact: Bob Swisher
(614)466-0286

LAW ENFORCEMENT CRIME REPORTING PILOT PROJECT

This experimental project is aimed at assessing the potential utility of UCR and other report variables for Ohio law enforcement agencies. It will feature an accessible data base and quarterly user feedback reports with an analysis based on agency size and type.

Data Sources: 100 law enforcement agencies
Date of Completion: 07/84
Contact: Jeff Knowles
(614)466-0310

OKLAHOMA

COMPILATION AND GRAPHIC DISPLAY OF CENSUS DATA BY CENSUS TRACT IN FIVE OKLAHOMA COUNTIES

The Oklahoma legislature requested assistance with compiling and graphically displaying census data by census tract for five central counties. The data was used as a basis for planning mental health services.

Data Sources: Census
Date of Completion: 03/83
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421

BJS REQUESTS

The SAC responded to requests from BJS for special statistical studies by coordinating efforts with the Department of Corrections and Pardon and Parole Board to supply data not available directly from the Arrest Disposition Reporting System (ADRS).

Data Sources: ADRS/Corrections
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421

QUARTERLY REPORT TO OKLAHOMA VICTIM COMPENSATION BOARD

The SAC provides the Victim Compensation Board information on felony case sentences by county for comparison with income from the county, projections of convictions, money to be received from those convictions, and county responses to the program.

Data Sources: ADRS/Crime Victim Compensation Board
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421
UTILIZATION OF CRIME STATISTICS AND SAS

A presentation was prepared for the annual meeting of the Association of State UCR Programs. It also included a description of graphic and statistical capabilities of SAS presented on color graphic 3mm slides created using SAS.

Date of Completion: 05/83
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE REPORTS

The SAC prepares and distributes over 40 regularly scheduled reports to the 27 district attorney offices across the state.

Data Sources: Arrest Disposition Reporting System (ADRS)
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jon Steen
(405)427-5421

IMPACT OF OKLAHOMA'S CHANGING DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTER AND STRUCTURE ON PRISON POPULATION LEVELS

Compilations of data by age and race were provided for a study of relationships between demographic structure and the rate of prison receptions in Oklahoma. The data included charges filed, offenders sentenced, and persons sentenced to prison.

Data Sources: Arrest Disposition Reporting System (ADRS)
Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421

PREDICTING PRISON POPULATION IN OKLAHOMA USING SAS/HTS

The SAC described a model of criminal justice influences on prison populations, identified sources of data measuring these influences, and performed Box-Jenkins ARIMA and transfer function analyses using prison variables.

Data Sources: Corrections/UCR/ADRS
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Steve Davis
(405)427-5421
OREGON

ANALYSIS OF CRIME IN OREGON 1982 REPORT

An annual report presents data and trends for reported crimes, arrests, and clearances on a city, county, and statewide basis. Also included are juvenile and adult arrest data by age and sex, by individual crime type, and by county and state.

Data Sources: UCR/Law enforcement data system
Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: Clint Goff (503)378-8056

THE OREGON SERIOUS CRIME SURVEY

An annual mail-out survey provides statewide information in three topical areas: victimization data including costs and reporting or nonreporting to police, citizens' involvement in crime prevention, and citizens' opinions about the justice system.

Data Sources: Survey/Driver's license files
Date of Completion: 03/84
Contact: Clint Goff (503)378-8056

REPORT ON JUVENILES ARRESTED AND REMANDED TO ADULT COURT FOR PROCESSING

OBTS statistics and profile information are presented on remanded juveniles arrested for part I felonies in the state. Additional data will be gathered from juvenile courts and others to profile prior delinquency.

Data Sources: OBTS/Supplemental juvenile court files
Date of Completion: 05/84
Contact: Jim Heuser (513)378-8056

OREGON (cont.)

BJS SPECIAL PRIORITY STATISTICAL STUDIES

The SAC responded to requests from BJS for studies on time actually served in prison and recidivism after release from prison.

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Clint Goff (513)378-8056

PROJECT WITH THE STATE OF ALASKA (CRIME AND ARRESTS FORECASTS)

The SAC provided data from Oregon for the development of forecasts of selected crimes and arrests for Alaska and Oregon. The project was funded by BJS.

Data Sources: Crime, census, and social agencies
Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Clint Goff (503)378-8056

CLEARINGHOUSE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA AND DOCUMENTS

The SAC serves as a clearinghouse for criminal justice data and provides documents to governmental agencies and the public.

Data Sources: Continuous activity
Contact: Clint Goff (503)378-8056
ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

The publication is an annual report which presents data related to issues currently under discussion and debate by criminal justice decisionmakers.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Richard S. Morelli (809)783-7306

STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF NEW MANDATORY SENTENCING LAW

The study looks at the effect of the new law on crime rates for robbery and aggravated assault (with firearm), the effect on probability of conviction, and the changes in the adjudication process.

Data Sources: Survey/UCR/Courts/Special collection effort
Date of Completion: 06/85
Contact: Richard S. Morelli (809)783-7306

STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF NEW DUE LAW

The effect of the new law on traffic safety is under study including its impact on the criminal justice system.

Data Sources: Police/Transportation/Health/Courts/Corrections
Date of Completion: 09/84
Contact: Doug Hoffman (717)787-5152

IMPACT OF GUILTY BUT MENTALLY ILL LEGISLATION

The SAC is observing cases in which the defense of insanity is raised and monitors the movement of the offenders in the correctional/mental health system.

Contact: Phillip Renninger (809)783-7306

ACCESS TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS

Procedures were implemented for the SAC to act as a broker for researchers' access to criminal history records.

Data Sources: CCH
Contact: Phillip Renninger (717)787-5152

STUDY OF TIME SERVED IN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Research was conducted detailing the amount of time served in state correctional institutions over a given period (1976-1982).

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Douglas Hoffman (717)787-5152

RESEARCH REPORT ON COUNTY JAIL DETENTIONERS

The publication presents data on county jail detentioners and the impact on overcrowding.

Data Sources: Jails
Date of Completion: 05/83
Contact: Craig Edelman (717)787-5152

IMPACT STUDY ON SENTENCING LEGISLATION

The impact of new sentencing legislation for state prisons is under study which includes prison population projections.

Data Sources: Police/Courts/Corrections/Sentencing Commission
Contact: Doug Hoffman (717)787-5152
PENNSYLVANIA

PRISON AND JAIL OVERCROWDING TASK FORCE

The SAC provides support to the task force by analyzing legislation and correctional policies and practices to determine their impact on crowding. Plans of action are recommended to the governor and legislature.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Phillip Renninger (717)787-5152

A PROFILE OF FEMALE OFFENDERS IN PENNSYLVANIA

The nature and extent of female crime is under study. The SAC is creating a profile of female offenders in Pennsylvania by organizing, interpreting, and summarizing available statistics and information from 1978 through 1981.

Date of Completion: 02/84
Contact: Ms. Gurdev Sekhon (717)787-5152

REPORT ON SENTENCING PRACTICES 1978-1981

The SAC provided BJS with data on sentence types, the mean incarceration sentence lengths (minimum and maximum) by offense 1978-1981, and the incarceration rates and sentence lengths by county for 1978-1981.

Data Sources: State reporting program
Contact: Richard S. Morelli (717)787-5152

RECIDIVISM AFTER RELEASE FROM STATE INSTITUTIONS 1980-1981

Arrest patterns were analyzed for offenders released from state institutions during the years 1980 and 1981.

Data Sources: Corrections/CCH
Date of Completion: 11/83
Contact: Craig Edelman (717)787-5152

PUERTO RICO

RECIDIVISM RESEARCH STUDY

This analysis assesses the magnitude of the recidivism event and its correlation with drug addiction and truancy.

Data Sources: Inmate interviews
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

SEXUAL OFFENSE RESEARCH STUDY

The modus operandi of sexual offenders is being studied to reduce victimization and to implement prevention measures.

Data Sources: Inmate interviews/Criminal and social records
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

VIOLENT CRIME REPORT

A detailed description of violent crime in Puerto Rico is presented in an annual report.

Data Sources: Police/Corrections
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382
PUERTO RICO (cont.)

SURVEY OF DELIVERY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION

The survey collected data on how agencies process demand information which are most often the focus of inquiry by the agencies and general public.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

UNIFORM CRIME REPORT

The SAC maintains UCR data to ensure its consistency, comparability, completeness, and timeliness.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

PENAL POPULATION PROJECTIONS: 1983-1987

Annual prison population projections were conducted for a five year period (1983-1987).

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

PUERTO RICO (cont.)

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE STATISTICS

An annual report presents data on the administration of the police, courts, prosecution, and corrections.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382

THE OVERCROWDING OF PENAL INSTITUTIONS IN PUERTO RICO

The report provides a brief analysis of the overcrowding problems in the correctional setting.

Data Sources: Corrections
Contact: Julio L. Rosa Santiago (809)783-3382
RHODE ISLAND

RAPE: RHODE ISLAND'S SUMMARY REPORT CONCERNING THIS VIOLENT CRIME, HIGHLIGHTING 1981-82 STATISTICAL DATA

The report highlights data collected from the UCR system and the Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center. The data provides a broader understanding of particular details involving this violent crime.

Data Sources: Survey/UCR/Corrections/SACs/Police
Date of Completion: 09/83
Contact: Norman Dakake
(401)277-2620

CRIME AND UNEMPLOYMENT

The study analyzes the relationship of crime and unemployment in Rhode Island. A final report includes the purpose of the study, the conclusions, graphs, charts, and tables.

Data Sources: Department of Employment Security/UCR
Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Norman Dakake
(401)277-2620

SERIOUS CRIME IN RHODE ISLAND - 1981 VS. 1982

The study was a comparative analysis of 1982 serious crime data to previous years.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 05/83
Contact: Norman Dakake
(401)277-2620

STOLEN PROPERTY REPORT

The report focuses on a three year period outlining the dollar value of stolen goods, the amount recovered, comparisons, trends, ranking, etc.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Norman Dakake
(401)277-2620
STATISTICAL REPORT

The SAC publishes a report containing the more important statistics that have been gathered regarding the functioning of the criminal justice system in Utah.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Rich Oldroyd
(801)533-7994

DATA ELEMENTS

Data is being collected and examined concerning all of the offender based management information systems that have been implemented in Utah, preliminary to consolidation of some functions.

Date of Completion: 06/84
Contact: Rich Oldroyd
(801)533-7994

ANNUAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLAN

Preliminary to consolidation of some functions the state criminal justice system was outlined and described including its costs and the number of personnel involved, a flow chart of major decision points, and number of offenders through the system.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Rich Oldroyd
(801)533-7994

VIRGINIA

DEVELOPMENT OF A PRETRIAL RISK ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT

The SAC director serves as chairman of a statewide task force on pretrial risk assessment. The task force recommended that a pretrial instrument be developed in a pilot site before statewide implementation. Pilot site work is awaiting funding.

Data Sources: Literature review
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz
(804)786-7811

DOCUMENTING UCR TRENDS AND PATTERNS

The SAC contributes statistical analyses to an annual report which describes crime and justice in Virginia. The analyses identify historical trends and patterns of crime. Computerized graphics are used to depict the patterns.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz
(804)786-7811

DEVELOPMENT OF A RISK ASSESSMENT DATA BASE

The SAC is working with the Department of Corrections to redesign the presentence investigation report (PSI) to include categorical items that may be easily automated. Socio-demographic, offense, and sentencing information will then be analyzed for risk assessment and a description of sentencing patterns.

Data Sources: Probation/PSI
Date of Completion: 07/84
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz
(804)786-7811
CLEANING HOUSE OF INFORMATION ON CRIME AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

A criminal justice library of over 4,000 volumes and 300 journals and periodicals is maintained in the SAC by a professional librarian. It is recognized by national and state library associations as a focal point for inter-library loans.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811

PROVISION OF CJIS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCALITIES

The goal of providing technical assistance to localities is met by three tasks: presentation of an annual criminal justice information systems conference, publication of a directory of systems, and assistance to municipal data processing by installing CJIS packages.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811

STAFF SUPPORT TO GOVERNOR'S SENTENCING TASK FORCE

SAC support included the collection and analysis of sentencing disposition information on 5,000 felony and misdemeanor cases from the Circuit Courts in 11 localities.

Data Sources: Presentence Investigation Reports
Date of Completion: 01/84
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811

MAINTENANCE OF A STATEWIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING RECORDS SYSTEM

The system contains detailed training records on more than 14,000 officers statewide. Individuals are notified when they are due for training and certification papers are issued.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811

COORDINATION OF STATE CJIS

The SAC provides staff support to a statewide advisory committee on coordination of criminal justice information systems including the identification of system malfunctions and information voids, and planning for future implementation.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811

REDEVELOPMENT OF ORTS

While ORTS data had been collected since 1977, significant nonreporting problems has limited its use. Since 1980 reporting has improved and the system is currently being redesigned. The records on file include arrests and dispositions for 1981-83.

Data Sources: ORTS
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Paul F. Kolmetz (804)786-7811
VIRGIN ISLANDS

CRIME AND PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

An annual survey is conducted on crime victimization, crime prevention techniques, public attitudes toward crime related issues, and evaluation of public issues and services. It is conducted by mail from a 10% random sample of registered voters.

Data Sources: Survey
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Bill Hamm
(809)774-6400

VIOLENT CRIME IN THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (SERIES)

A series of descriptive analyses of four violent part I crimes will be published which includes victim, offender, and UCR offense characteristics for 1980-1982.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: 04/84
Contact: Bill Hamm
(809)774-6400

CREATION OF VIOLENT PART I OFFENSE DATA BASE

The data base contains historical data (January, 1980-October, 1982) on reported part I violent offenses and will be used for research purposes. The data is being coded from manual police offense records and automated by SAC staff.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: 10/83
Contact: Tim Rowles
(809)774-6400

CREATION AND MAINTENANCE OF TOTAL PART I OFFENSE DATA BASE

The data base contains all reported part I offenses for October, 1982. The data is being coded from manual police records until an automated OHTS file is available.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Tim Rowles
(809)774-6400

CREATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ARREST DATA BASE

Arrest data for October, 1982 to the present is contained in the data base. The data is being coded from manual police records until an automated record system is available.

Data Sources: Police
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Tim Rowles
(809)774-6400
WASHINGTON

COMPARISON OF WASHINGTON STATE AND NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE INDICATORS

The SAC compared Washington state's experience with the felony criminal process to that of other states. Two methods were employed: a view of the U.S. from the most current national statistics and a historical view of Washington and the U.S.

Date of Completion: 07/83
Contact: Jack O'Connell
(206)754-2811

AN HISTORICAL ANALYSIS OF REPORTED CRIME AND ARREST

The SAC compared crime and arrest data for the state of Washington from 1971 to 1982. Crime and arrest patterns were analyzed to provide an historical context for evaluation of many of the changes now affecting Washington's criminal justice system.

Data Sources: UCR/Census
Date of Completion: 08/83
Contact: Jack O'Connell
(206)754-2811

A TIME SERIES STUDY OF DWI ARRESTS, CONVICTIONS, AND ACCIDENT DATA

The study assessed whether or not the implementation of the more stringent driving while intoxicated DWI laws in Washington state has resulted in a general deterrence that has reduced the frequency of alcohol related traffic accidents.

Date of Completion: 12/83
Contact: Jack O'Connell
(206)754-2811

WASHINGTON (cont.)

THE PRISON POPULATION FORECAST

The SAC provides support to the Governor's Interagency Criminal Justice Work Group by monitoring, evaluating, and updating the inmate forecast. A number of reports are published annually.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: Jack O'Connell
(206)754-2811

ANALYSIS OF INMATE RELEASES

The SAC analyzed the difference between the estimated and actual release dates for inmates released from the Washington Department of Corrections during 1982. The study was conducted in order to more accurately forecast inmate populations.

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: 01/84
Contact: Jack O'Connell
(206)754-2811
WISCONSIN

WISCONSIN CRIME AND ARRESTS

UCR data was collected and maintained and used to publish semi-annual and annual reports.

Data Sources: UCR

Date of Completion: 06/83

Contact: Roland Reboussin
(608)266-7048

REPORTS FOR COUNTY SHERIFFS

Reports are prepared for the county sheriffs participating in Wisconsin's Jail Information System (JIS) and special studies on jail expansion needs.

Data Sources: JIS/UCR/Population forecast

Date of Completion: Continuous activity

Contact: Tom Eversen
(608)266-7682

MAINTENANCE OF DATA FILES

Data on juvenile secure detention facilities are collected annually and maintained by the SAC. County requests for information are provided.

Data Sources: Police/Detention facilities

Date of Completion: Continuous activity

Contact: Steve Grohmann
(608)266-7185

PARTICIPATION IN NCJA'S PUBLIC SAFETY LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SYSTEM

A summary of Wisconsin legislation on criminal justice issues is presented.

Date of Completion: 12/83

Contact: Tom Eversen
(608)266-7682

A REVIEW OF PROPOSALS TO ALLEVIATE WISCONSIN'S PRISON OVERCROWDING

An analysis designed for Wisconsin's adult prison population and a review of existing forecast models is the focus of this project.

Date of Completion: Continuous activity

Contact: Tom Eversen
(608)266-7682
Automated Correctional Management Information System (ODDS)

ODDS was initiated in July, 1980 and it is now fully automated, although enhancements still occur. Reports are routinely provided to the participating agencies.

Data Sources: Corrections
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: David J. Roberts (307)777-7512

Automated Probation/Parole Management Information System (PDDS)

PDDS was initiated as a joint endeavor July, 1981. Presently, the majority of the active caseload has been entered and work is continuing on reports and research.

Data Sources: Probation/Parole
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: David J. Roberts (307)777-7512

Uniform Crime Reporting Program

Quarterly, semi-annual, and annual reports are being generated.

Data Sources: UCR
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: James M. Wilson (307)777-7625

CCH/OBTS

The program is in the very early stages of development. The initial programming and testing is presently being conducted.

Data Sources: CCH/OBTS
Date of Completion: Continuous activity
Contact: David J. Roberts (307)777-7512
SECTION III: KEYWORD INDEX

One of the elements used to organize the activities in the CJSA index file is the keyword. Keywords are utilized to catalog the activities for searching and retrieving specific information. Below is a list of keywords the CJSA staff compiled based on the most common requests to the office. The reader may browse this list to locate one or more keywords related to the content of the information desired. The following pages contain a list of keywords in alphabetical order. Below each keyword is the authoring state and title of the activities described by the keyword and the page on which the complete description can be found. In many instances this list will not be adequate, in which case the reader should contact CJSA directly for a file search.

ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION OFFENDER DEMOGRAPHICS
ARSON OVERCROWDING
ATTITUDE SURVEYS PAROLE
CRIME PREVENTION PERSONNEL
CRIME PROJECTIONS POLICE
DRUNK DRIVING PROBATION
EXCLUSIONARY RULE POPULATION PROJECTIONS
FEMALE OFFENDERS RAPE
HOMICIDE RECIDIVISM
INFORMATION SYSTEMS RESTITUTION
JAILS RISK ASSESSMENT
JUVENILE JUSTICE SENTENCING
LEGISLATIVE STUDIES SUBSTANCE ABUSE
OFFENDER BASED VICTIM
TRANSACTION STATISTICS (OBTS)
New Hampshire, New Hampshire County Corrections Report; pg. 51
New York, Youth Incarcerated in Local Jails; pg. 57
New York, Suffolk County Evaluation; pg. 61
North Dakota, North Dakota Jail Report 1982; pg. 64
Ohio, Implementation of $50,000,000 Local Jail Construction/Renovation Program; pg. 68
Pennsylvania, Research Report on County Jail Detentioners; pg. 77
Pennsylvania, Prison and Jail Overcrowding Task Force; pg. 78
Washington, A Time Series Study of DWI Arrests, Convictions, and Accident Data; pg. 90
Wisconsin, Reports for County Sheriffs; pg. 92

JUVENILE
California, Crime and Delinquency in California; pg. 10
California, Juvenile Population VS Reported Crime; pg. 11
California, Juvenile Justice Administration in California; pg. 11
California, Child Abuse Study; pg. 12
Connecticut, Juvenile OBTS; pg. 15
Connecticut, Longitudinal Juvenile Study; pg. 15
District of Columbia, Factors in the Development of the Violent Young Adult Offender; pg. 18
Iowa, Juvenile Coalition Data Collection; pg. 30
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THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATISTICS ASSOCIATION
THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATISTICS ASSOCIATION (CJSA)

The Criminal Justice Statistics Association is a national association of state agencies and interested individuals who are concerned with furthering the collection, reporting, analysis, and use of crime and justice statistics. In 1974, the Directors of the state Statistical Analysis Centers initiated the formation of CJSA. A staff was hired in 1979 in Washington D.C. to expand the analytical capabilities of state statistical agencies; provide information and services to policymakers, the press, and the public; and facilitate the exchange of information among criminal justice analysts.

The Criminal Justice Statistics Association is a professional resource to criminal justice statistics and information. Below are the activities of the association.

Newsletter. The FORUM is the newsletter of the association. Issued quarterly, it contains information on current policy oriented research in the states, articles on applied analytical techniques, reports on SAC activities, and discussions of national issues and events.

Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting is a major mechanism for encouraging exchanges among members of information and techniques. The emphasis is upon roundtable discussions, and informal panel discussions and seminars.

Workshops. Two to three workshops are presented each year which are designed to introduce CJSA members and other criminal justice professionals to analytical techniques and issues in criminal justice. Recent topics include prison population projection techniques, risk assessment, time series analysis, and exploratory data analysis.

Automated Index. CJSA staff maintain a computerized index to activities and analytical products of the state Statistical Analysis Centers. This index is updated regularly to facilitate exchanges among members. Reports are prepared on specific issues and activities occurring in the states upon request from the press, the public, and other criminal justice researchers and analysts.

Microcomputer Technical Assistance. The Association maintains an ongoing program of technical assistance to its members on the use of microcomputers for analytical purposes. These services include consultation on hardware and software acquisition and implementation and updates on new developments in the microcomputer field.

Software Development. The Interactive Models for Projecting Arrests and Corrections Trends (IMPACT) is a modeling software package designed for criminal justice practitioners interested in testing the impact of different policies on prison population. The software is currently available from CJSA. Two software products are under development. CJSA staff are translating the methodology of the Iowa risk assessment system into a software package for use on microcomputers. The package is designed to be easily modified for the needs of particular jurisdictions. A Compu-