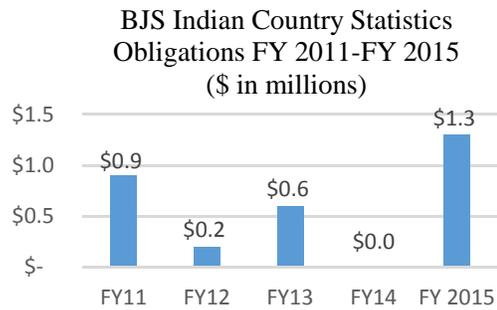


OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Program Name: Criminal Justice Statistics Program -- Indian Country Statistics

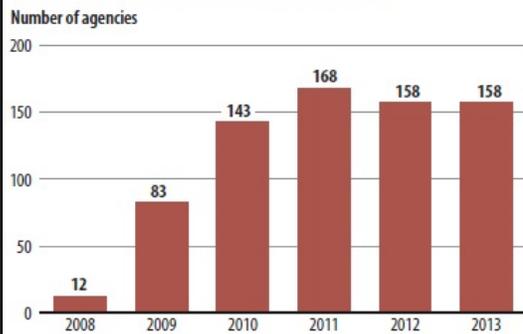
Funding: Annual average of \$601K*

Between FY 2011 and FY 2015, a total of \$3.0M was awarded.



*Includes funds from Criminal Justice Statistics Program (BJS base) & transfers from federal agencies.

Tribal law enforcement agencies reporting to the Uniform Crime Reporting Program that submitted 12 months of complete data, 2008–2013



Source: BJS, [Tribal Crime Data Collection Activities](#).

Program Description

Purpose: To collect and improve data on crime and justice in Indian country. The data will help to improve understanding of the role of federal, state, local, and tribal justice agencies serving the tribal lands, which house nearly 5 million people, a quarter of whom self-identify as American Indian or Alaskan Native.

BJS collects data on Indian Country both through ongoing national data collections as well as targeted collections specifically for Indian Country. Current BJS Indian Country data collections include:

- [Census of Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies](#)
- [National Survey of Tribal Court Systems](#)
- [Census of State and Local Justice Agencies Serving Tribal Lands](#)
- [Annual Survey of Jails in Indian Country](#)
- [Federal Justice Statistics Program](#)

Authorizing Legislation: The Justice Systems Improvement Act of 1979 and the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 (TLOA; P.L. 111-211, 124 Stat. 2258, Section 251(b))

Administering Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)

DOJ Strategic Objective 3.1: Promote and strengthen relationships and strategies for the administration of justice with law enforcement agencies, organizations, prosecutors, and defenders through innovative leadership and programs

Program Goals: In 2016, BJS will:

- Conduct the National Survey of Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies – the first statistical collection focusing solely on tribal law enforcement agencies and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) agencies.
- Conduct the Census of State and Local Justice Agencies Serving Tribal Land – including both law enforcement agencies and prosecutor offices. This program will be the first survey of its kind, filling an important information gap.
- Release the findings of the BJS-funded National Survey of Tribal Court Systems. The report will cover topics including tribal court administration, operations, staffing, caseloads, parole and probation, and information systems. BJS funded a Native-owned research firm to administer the survey.

Accomplishments:

- In 2015, BJS released a report, [Jails in Indian Country](#) examining trends from 2000 to 2014, including the number of adults and juveniles held, type of offense, peak population, and expected average length of stay in jail at admission.
- In 2015, BJS released a report, [Tribal Crime Data Collection Activities](#) detailing its efforts and describing its activities to collect and improve data on crime and justice in Indian country.
- The number of tribal law enforcement agencies reporting crime data to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program increased from 12 in 2008 to 158 in 2013 as a result of BJS efforts with the BIA, FBI, and the tribes. As a result of reporting data to the UCR, a total of \$3.5M was made available to tribal governments through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program from 2008 to 2015.

FY 2017 Proposed Policy Changes to the Program: N/A

FY 2017 Proposed Funding Changes to the Program: N/A

For additional information, please visit: [BJS Indian Country Statistics](#).