The Crime Reporting System (CRS) contains crime data received from Minnesota law enforcement agencies. The system receives and processes both National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) data which is forwarded to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program and Law Enforcement Investigative Search (LEIS) data which is made available through a QLEIS query in PsPortals. The LEIS submission method replaces an agency's Comprehensive Incident Based Reporting System (CIBRS) adapter.

Change from Summary to Incident-Based Reporting

Using CRS, Minnesota law enforcement agencies can transition from submitting summary crime statistics to incident-based reporting using an electronic-only NIBRS format.

Using NIBRS, agencies provide data on each crime occurrence rather than only the most serious crime in an incident. NIBRS also collects more detailed data about the incident. Collecting more detailed crime data than those gathered through summary crime reporting supports data-driven policing and evidence-based research and reporting, and informs deployment of resources to where they will have the most impact on public safety.

Additional ways in which summary and incident-based reporting differ:

- NIBRS collects detailed person, property and offense data on 52 crimes in 24 categories; summary reporting collects data on 10 (Part 1) crimes.
- NIBRS collects data on attempted crimes; summary reporting does not.
- Summary reporting includes two crime categories: Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Property. NIBRS includes a third: Crimes Against Society (i.e. drug or narcotic offenses).

The FBI provides much more information about incident-based reporting and the national NIBRS transition effort on their website at https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/ucr/nibrs.

Moving to the CRS

Moving to CRS requires a custom adapter to forward data from an agency RMS to the BCA. Agencies interesting in transitioning whose RMS vendor supports a CRS adapter should submit a request through the BCA Catalog of Services. For general questions or support, please contact the BCA Service Desk at 1-888-234-1119 or 651-793-2500 or bca.servicedesk@state.mn.us.