The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) is the principal investigative arm of the U.S. Department of Justice. The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was conceived in 1929 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to meet a need for reliable, uniform crime statistics for the nation. In 1930, the FBI was tasked with collecting, publishing, and archiving those statistics. A 5-year redesign effort to provide more comprehensive and detailed crime statistics resulted in the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) which collects data on each reported crime incident. The UCR Program is currently being expanded to NIBRS.

Dataset: Confirmed Crime Rate from the Offenses Known to Law Enforcement Database
Reports crimes per 100,000 persons for crimes reported to law enforcement, by offense, state, county, and law enforcement agency. Statistics are presented for violent and property crimes.

Shows crimes reported to police, by offense, state, county, and jurisdiction, and crime rate per 100,000 population. Data are from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, which is a nationwide, cooperative statistical effort of more than 18,000 city, university and college, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies voluntarily reporting data on crimes brought to their attention. The UCR Program collects offenses known to law enforcement for violent and property crime types (Part I offenses). Each month, participating law enforcement agencies submit information on the number of Part I offenses known to them (crimes reported). Violent crime is composed of four offenses: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Violent crimes are defined in the UCR Program as those offenses which involve force or threat of force. Property crime includes the
offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims.

Please note that data found in this dataset will not always match figures posted online or in the print publication Crime in the United States publication and website: the tables presented there are a snapshot at the point of publication. The data provided in Data Planet are released by the FBI in a subsequent update. Further, caution should be exercised in making year-to-year comparisons as the number of agencies submitting data varies from year-to-year. See the technical documentation for further explanation of UCR methodology. For more detail, see the technical documentation and FBI guidelines on data quality: [https://ucr.fbi.gov/data-quality-guidelines-new](https://ucr.fbi.gov/data-quality-guidelines-new). Also see Data Planet’s Guide to Criminal Justice Statistics at [http://data-planet.libguides.com/criminaljustice](http://data-planet.libguides.com/criminaljustice).

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