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1.1 Data Submission Deadlines

Local agencies should note the following deadlines for data to be received by the CJIS Division's CSMU.

Date	Information needed
February 13, 2009	Deadline for submitting January–December 2008 data for inclusion in the <i>Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report, January–December, 2008.</i>
	For Most-in-Population (MIP) agencies to be published in the <i>Report</i> , the CSMU must receive complete data for 12 months by the deadline.
March 17, 2009	Deadline for submitting data for inclusion in the 2008 editions of <i>Crime in the United States (CIUS)</i> , <i>Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted (LEOKA)</i> , and <i>Hate Crime Statistics</i> .
	Local agencies should note that:
	For agencies' statistics to be published in Tables 8-11 of <i>CIUS</i> , 2008, the CSMU must receive 12 months of complete data by this date.
	The number of quarters for which an agency reported hate crime data in 2008 will be published in Tables 13 and 14 of <i>Hate Crime Statistics</i> , 2008.
	State totals on officers assaulted presented in <i>LEOKA</i> , 2008, will include those law enforcement agencies for which the CSMU receives both 12 months of officer assault data and police employee counts.
August 28, 2009	Deadline for submitting January through June 2009 data to the FBI for inclusion in the <i>Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report</i> , <i>January–June</i> , 2009.
December 18, 2009	Deadline for submitting police employee counts as of October 31, 2009.
December 31, 2009	Deadline for making changes to an agency's name/address or current reporting status.

1.2 Work Processes for UCR Publications

Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report, January–December, 2008 CIUS, 2008 LEOKA, 2008 Hate Crime Statistics, 2008 Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report, January–June, 2009

As part of the FBI's effort to keep local agencies informed about data submission deadlines and UCR publication processes, we have included the following schedule. In order for the FBI to publish these Uniform Crime Reports on time with complete and accurate statistics, all agencies must adhere to the scheduled deadlines on the preceding page.

Many agencies are conscientious about meeting these deadlines; however, agencies that are late with their submissions cause publication delays. The FBI realizes that there are extenuating circumstances that cause an agency to miss a deadline. Nevertheless, the FBI requests that local agencies make every effort to adhere to these deadlines.

Date	Work process
February	The CSMU staff disseminates letters to local agencies:
	Requesting the verification of any January–December 2008 crime totals that indicate significant increases or decreases over the previous year's data and/or verification of any high/low monthly offense counts during the 12-month period for MIP agencies.
	Identifying any January–December 2008 data, by agency and month, that have not been received by the submission deadline for the <i>Preliminary Annual Report</i> for contributors other than MIP agencies.
	The deadline for submitting January through December 2008 data to the FBI for inclusion in the <i>Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report</i> , <i>January–December 2008</i> is February 13, 2009.
March	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies requesting the verification of any January–December 2008 crime totals that indicate significant increases or decreases over the previous year's data and/or verification of any high/low monthly offense counts during the 12-month period for all contributors other than MIP agencies.
	The deadline for submitting January–December 2008 data to the FBI for inclusion in CIUS, LEOKA, and Hate Crime Statistics is March 17, 2009.

April	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies providing January–December 2008 crime totals/Return A Record Cards for all law enforcement agencies that submitted 12 months of complete data.
May through September	The national UCR Program staff reviews information for data quality and finalizes the 2008 editions of <i>CIUS</i> , <i>LEOKA</i> , and <i>Hate Crime Statistics</i> for publication.
June	The tentative release of the <i>Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report</i> , <i>January–December</i> , 2008.
July	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies:
	■ Providing the 2009 Timetable.
	Requesting missing January–June 2008 data for MIP agencies that are to be included in Table 4 of the <i>Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report, January–June, 2009.</i> The letters will provide the August 28, 2009, deadline for submitting data to be included in the <i>Report.</i>
	The deadline for submitting January–June 2009 data to the FBI for inclusion in the <i>Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report</i> is August 28, 2009.
August and September	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies requesting verification of any January–June 2009 crime totals that indicate significant increases or decreases over the previous year's data and/or verification of any high/low monthly offense counts during the 6-month period for MIP agencies.
	The deadline for submitting January through June 2009 data to the FBI for inclusion in the <i>Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report</i> is August 28, 2009.

September	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies:	
	Identifying any missing January–June 2009 data that the FBI has not received by the submission deadline for the <i>Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report</i> to all contributors other than MIP agencies.	
	Seeking follow-up for MIP agencies that did not respond to trend letters. (The CSMU's staff may opt to contact these agencies via telephone.)	
	Requesting the verification of any January–June 2009 crime totals that indicate significant increases or decreases over the previous year's data and/or verification of any high/low monthly offense counts during the 6-month period for all contributors other than MIP agencies that submitted 3 or more months of data.	
	The tentative release of CIUS, 2008.	
October	The CSMU's staff disseminates letters to local agencies:	
	Requesting the verification of any January–June 2009 crime totals that indicate significant increases or decreases over the previous year's data and/or verification of any high/low monthly offense counts during the 6-month period for all contributors other than MIP agencies that submitted 3 or more months of data.	
	Requesting the completion of information on the current year's police employee counts as of October 31, 2009.	
	The deadline for submitting police employee counts is December 18, 2009.	
	The tentative release of LEOKA, 2008 and Hate Crime Statistics, 2008.	
November	The CSMU's staff disseminates a <i>UCR Newsletter</i> reminding all local agencies of the December 18, 2009, deadline for submitting police employee counts and the December 31, 2009, deadline for making changes to an agency's name/address or current reporting status. (The CSMU's staff will not assign an Originating Agency Identifier until an agency submits one <i>Return A</i> form.)	

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December The national UCR Program staff publishes the *Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report, January–June, 2009.*

After the December 18, 2009, deadline, the CSMU's staff will forward letters to local agencies informing them that the FBI has not received their police employee counts.

The deadline for submitting police employee counts is December 18, 2009.

The deadline for making changes to an agency's name/address or current reporting status is December 31, 2009.

1.3 State Contacts of Crime Statistics Management Unit (CSMU) Personnel and Outreach Team Members

The following provides the CSMU personnel and the UCR Program's trainers from the Outreach Team. If a state's data are assigned to more than one member of the CSMU, the data to which they manage is identified as the Summary reporting system (SRS), the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), or MIP agencies.

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1.5 Electronic Availability of the *UCR Newsletter*

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