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MTIBRS Training & Technical Assistance

Society Victims

Society as a Victim

- ▶ Society is one of the three victim offense categories - the others being Crimes against Persons & Crimes against Property
- ▶ Examples of Society Crimes:
 - ▶ DUI
 - ▶ Drug Violations
 - ▶ Criminal Trespass
 - ▶ Endangering the Welfare of a Child
 - ▶ Obstructing a Peace Officer
 - ▶ Fail to Register as Sexual/Violent Offender

Top 10 Most Reported Crimes Against Society

Top 10 Crimes Against Society	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	5-Year TTL
45-9-102 - Possession of dangerous drugs	4,273	4,114	3,524	2,514	2,134	16,559
61-8-401 & 61-8-1002 - DUI, intoxication by drugs or alcohol	2,722	2,898	2,692	2,875	3,641	14,828
45-8-101 - Disorderly conduct	2,480	2,305	2,060	1,899	2,204	10,948
45-6-202 - Trespass, criminal, to vehicles	1,397	1,222	1,203	1,110	1,058	5,990
45-5-626 - Violation of protective order	858	916	884	958	987	4,603
Total of Top 10 Crimes Against Society and Percentage of Total Society Crimes						91% 115,094

These are the top ten crimes against society. Together, these ten offenses account for 91% of the total society crimes. There are actually 148 statutes coded as crimes against society.... I've attached a list of all crimes against society, people and property to the end of this slide presentation, along with their 5 year totals if you are interested.

Crimes Against Society Account for 32% of Crimes

Crime Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Totals	% of TTL
Crime Against Person	13,508	13,845	15,134	16,378	15,867	74,732	19%
Crime Against Property	43,237	38,917	40,095	38,239	36,415	196,903	50%
Crime Against Society	30,121	28,608	25,245	22,422	19,436	125,832	32%
Totals	86,866	81,370	80,474	77,039	71,718	397,467	

Crimes against property typically average 50% of offenses each year. Theft accounts for 68% of all property offenses falling slightly below the total crimes against society at 123,292. This is just an overview to identify the importance of

Society as a Victim in XML

- ▶ In XML, if a victim is included for a crime against society, the State repository will accept the victim but will only send society as a victim to the FBI
- ▶ While relationship types are required for person and property crimes, they will also be allowed for society crimes
- ▶ Bad Checks are no longer considered a property crime and in XML - they are now considered Society crimes with no property segment required

- This only pertains to users under XML
- Flat file NIBRS submitters were often blocked from being able to add victim information for society crimes. These types of NIBRS validations are frustrating if there is an obvious victim for the offense.

Crime where a victim is likely to be entered

- ▶ Obstructing a Peace Officer
- ▶ Criminal Trespass
- ▶ Disorderly Conduct
- ▶ Endangering the Welfare of a Child
- ▶ Violation of a Protective Order
- ▶ Destroying or Tampering with a communication device
 - ▶ *Society should be listed as the victim*
 - ▶ *In XML, you can list both society and the individual victim*
- ▶ Endangering the Welfare of Children
 - ▶ Society is automatic for this offense
 - ▶ Criminal Endangerment is an aggravated assault for the FBI

Your records management systems will automatically enter society as a victim for those offenses the FBI codes as society crimes. You don't have to remember which ones are or are not crimes as often they don't make sense. This was also problematic when trying to document the case as victims often had to be entered as complainant or another category. Frustrating!!!!

Upcoming Training

- ▶ April 26th, 2023 - Drug Data Collection Updates
 - ▶ May 10th, 2023 - Victim to Offender Relationship Enhancements
 - ▶ May 24th, 2023 - Disorderly Conduct, Resisting Arrest, or Assault?
- ▶ <https://mbcc.mt.gov/Data/MTIBRS-Training>
- ▶ Do you have suggestions for future session topics? We'd love to hear them! Please email your ideas to MBCCdata@mt.gov

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