

# Better data. Better justice.



#### **About Justice Counts**

Justice Counts is a national initiative to improve the accessibility and usability of criminal justice data. Led by the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and The Council of State Governments Justice Center, Justice Counts is directed by a national steering committee and supported by 19 national partner organizations and 14 working committees with more than 100 contributing members.

Justice Counts is founded on the belief that sharing criminal justice data should be easy. We provide tools, resources, and support to help agencies achieve this vision and to help decision-makers most effectively use criminal justice data.

Justice Counts is your creation, shaped by criminal justice leaders across the nation. We've designed every element, from metrics to publishing platforms to data visualizations and tools, with the invaluable input and expertise of real practitioners in the field. Our goal: to ensure your experience as a criminal justice agency is effortless, straightforward, and impactful.

Justice Counts thrives on aggregate data, which means there's no legal hassle to participate. Joining is as easy as filling out a straightforward opt-in form. Choose the metrics you want to share, set your own sharing frequency, and determine your initial setup pace.

Laramie Riggs is helping criminal justice agencies make the most of their data.

Book a 30-minute call today to learn more.









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### What Criminal Justice Leaders Are Saying

"Signing on to participate in Justice Counts allows us to quickly and easily extract data from our current electronic system to use to make informed decisions, project trends, and provide information to external regulatory agencies."

Jeremy Simpson, President, Community Corrections Association (OH)

"Justice Counts is a good way to supplement what we are already doing to get information out to the public we serve. We regularly publish our data for our citizens, but Justice Counts may help us reach a broader audience. Hopefully it will also lead to meaningful conversations."

Geoff Huff, Chief of Police, Ames (IA)

"While we work to improve the criminal justice data landscape within North Carolina, Justice Counts allows us the opportunity to learn from other jurisdictions. While each state and even smaller jurisdictions within vary, there are ample lessons that can be learned from experiences of others."

Caroline Farmer, Executive Director,
Governor Crime Commission (NC)

#### **Project Partners**

American Jail Association

American Probation and Parole Association

**Correctional Leaders Association** 

**CNA** 

International Association of Chiefs of Police

Measures for Justice

National Association of Counties Research Foundation

National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors

NRI

National Criminal Justice Association

**National Center for State Courts** 

National Conference of State Legislatures

National District Attorneys Association

**National Governors Association** 

National Legal Aid & Defender Association

National Sheriffs' Association

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