



**Our Vision:** CRG works to strengthen the justice system to reduce and prevent crime, reduce recidivism, achieve safer and healthier communities, and ensure fairness, justice, equitable, and equal treatment under the law.

<p><b>What We Are:</b>          CRG is a criminal and juvenile justice research center serving Vermont as independent non-profit that works with state, municipal, and other justice partners to collect, analyze, and disseminate data, and write reports based on those data. We perform our work primarily through a contract with the Department of Public Safety for Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) services, including policy-relevant research, to further the effective and efficient administration of criminal and juvenile justice programs and systems in Vermont. Through data sharing agreements we have unparalleled access to court and criminal history data.</p>	<p><b>What We Do:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Respond to data requests from both governmental and non-governmental entities, organizations, and individuals using years of cleaned and coded court data.</li> <li>➤ Develop research projects with collaborative partners on issues important to the state.</li> <li>➤ Provide technical assistance to justice partners.</li> <li>➤ Work with federal and state partners through the Bureau of Justice Statistics and the Justice Research and Statistics Association, focusing on statewide trends in criminal, juvenile, and social justice issues.</li> </ul>
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**As an independent and non-partisan organization we commit ourselves to focus on data-driven work using rigorous methodology and analyses supported by the most up-to-date research literature.**

**Recent Technical Assistance**

- Working with the Sentencing Commission reviewing all crimes and penalties to assist with recommendations to reclassify the criminal code.
- Working with the National Criminal Justice Reform Project (National Governors’ Association & National Criminal Justice Association) on a data integration and research project.
- Supporting the establishment of the Division of Racial Justice Statistics at the Office of Racial Equity.

**Some Current Projects** (for more information or a project description please be in touch or check out our website)

- *Equal Access to Alternative Programs* – exploring the impact of referrals on incarceration of BIPOC
- *Domestic Violence in Urban and Rural Vermont* – analyzing injuries in rural vs urban areas of Vt
- *Victimization of and Criminal Justice Response to Vulnerable Adults and the Elderly*
- *Exploring Racial Differences for Victims in Vermont* – analyzing case processing for BIPOC victims
- *Law Enforcement and Mental Health* – identifying evidence-based practices - what more can be done in Vt

<p><b>Collaborative Partners</b></p> <p>Lund Family Center / Center for Crime Victims Services / Vt. Human Trafficking Taskforce / Dept. of Corrections / Vt. Judiciary / Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence / Community Justice Centers / Vt. State Police / Vt. Attorney General’s Office / Dept. of Aging and Independent Living / Dept. of Public Safety / Dept. of Children and Families / Racial Disparities in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice System Advisory Panel</p>
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**Criminal Court Filings and Dispositions**

These are all charges filed and disposed of in Vermont Criminal Court. We get these data monthly but update about every quarter or so. Questions you can ask:

- What are the sentences for disorderly conduct?
- Do the sentences differ by county?
- How many charges are filed? How long does it take to resolve them?
- How many cases are represented by a public defender?

**Juvenile Dispositions**

These are offenses that would be crimes, save for the person's age. We get these data quarterly and update as needed. The same types of questions can be asked of the juvenile data as of the criminal data.

**Traffic Data**

These are data from judicial bureau hearings, this includes traffic violations, hunting violations, liquor and marijuana violations. Questions you can ask of the data:

- How many speeding tickets are reduced at hearing?
- What types of offenses are challenged?

**Civil Suspensions Data**

These are data about civil suspensions of licenses as a result of DUI. The data reflect hearings and outcomes of the hearings. Questions you can ask of the data:

- How many civil suspensions happen each year?
- How many Vermonters are subjected to a suspension each year?
- How many suspensions are denied? Why?

**NIBRS DATA**

NIBRS data are the National Incident Based Reporting System data. These are information about most crimes in Vermont. It includes information about the type of crime, who allegedly committed it and who was arrested. Questions you can ask of these data:

- How many minor children are victims of violent crimes?
- What is the average loss reported in retain theft cases?
- How many sexual assaults were cleared by arrest?

**Other Data Sets:**

DOC Public Use Data  
Census Information  
Statutes and Penalties  
Risk Surveys  
Crash Data