



Crime Statistics Newsletter

Special points of interest:

- Repository Testing
- TIBRS Conference Early Registration ends August 27th!
- Crimes Against the Elderly Study Released
- No TIBRS training classes in August

Error Reports from New Repository Testing

As previous newsletters and memos have detailed, testing of the new repository is currently ongoing. Agencies will begin receiving sample error reports generated from these repository tests in the next few weeks.

The sample error reports may have errors not previously identified by the current repository. This is a product of the new repository catching errors at the state level (also captured by the FBI) that the current repository does not. As a

result, these errors will now be included in your agency's monthly error rates effective September 1, 2012.



Conference Early Registration Ends Soon!



Conference
September 17—19, 2012
Pigeon Forge, TN

The early registration deadline for the 2012 TIBRS conference is fast approaching. In order to receive the early registration discount (\$90 per person), you must submit registration (preferably online) and payment no later than **Monday August 27, 2012**. After this date, registration fees increase to \$125 per person.

The conference rate on hotel rooms will be extended to those who make reservations by the **August 16, 2012 deadline**.

The Music Road Inn and Conference Center in Pigeon Forge, TN is this year's conference location. The conference will be held Monday September 17th through Wednesday September 19th.

Crimes Against the Elderly Study Released

The TBI's Crime Statistics Unit released a Crimes Against the Elderly study at the beginning of August. It specifically addressed elderly victims of Group A offenses reported to TIBRS between 2009 and 2011. According to the 2010 census, the elderly population, defined by the study as those aged 65 and older, is growing in the state of Tennessee.

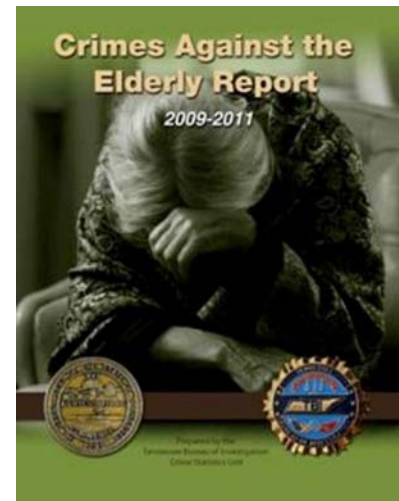
Four Group A categories were analyzed: robbery, burglary, assault and fraud. The elderly are vulnerable targets of crime due to the commonly found characteristics of the age group such as diminished physical capacity and mobility. They are also targeted in fraud and identity theft cases.

Analysis of TIBRS data revealed the majority of elderly victims of burglary reported the location type as Residence/Home (90%). Burglary was

also the most commonly reported offense committed against this population. The elderly accounted for 13% of all Fraud victims during the study period.

Offender demographic information along with the Victim to Offender data element allowed for examination of who commits crimes against the elderly. Findings suggest that the majority of elderly assault victims know their offender. More specifically, 41% of assaults from 2009 through 2011 were committed by family members of the elderly victims. These findings are significant and have great implications concerning the problem Elder Abuse in the state of Tennessee.

This study's purpose is to provide insight into the potential problem of elderly victimization as well as promote further research and action.



TIBRS data is an extremely invaluable tool that has numerous applications. This study, utilizing data collected in TIBRS, reveals the prevalence of crimes against the elderly in Tennessee that is, hopefully, useful to various local and state agencies.

To view the study in its entirety, click the link below:

["Crimes Against the Elderly Report 2009-2011"](#)

2012 TIBRS Training Schedule

AUGUST		
All classes rescheduled		
SEPTEMBER		
September 17-19	2012 TIBRS Conference	Pigeon Forge
OCTOBER		
Tuesday, October 9	Data Collection	Nashville
Wednesday, October 10	TnCOP Software	Nashville
Thursday, October 25	TIBRS Review	Nashville
NOVEMBER		
Friday, November 2	TIBRS Review for Colleges & Universities	Nashville
Thursday, November 8	Data Collection	Nashville
Friday, November 9	TnCOP Software	Nashville
Monday, November 26	TIBRS Review	Nashville

There will be no TIBRS training classes held in the month of August. To sign up for a TIBRS training class, please contact Dale King or Steven Jancarek.

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