The National Incident-Based Reporting System, or NIBRS, was implemented to improve the overall quality of crime data collected by law enforcement. It captures details on each single crime incident, as well as on separate offenses within the same incident, including information on victims, known offenders, relationships between victims and offenders, arrestees, and property involved in the crimes.

**When did APD transition crime data over to NIBRS?**

The Arlington Police Department will be transitioning crime data to the NIBRS system in early 2017.

**What is the difference between UCR and NIBRS?**

Unlike data reported through UCR’s traditional Summary System (an aggregate monthly tally of crimes), the NIBRS data provides a more thorough detail because of its ability to provide circumstances and context for crimes. It includes all offenses within a single incident and additional aspects about each event, like location, time of day, and whether the incident was cleared.

Under UCR, APD reported the number of known index crimes, criminal cases cleared, and crimes reported to the police in our jurisdiction each month. There were Part I and Part II crimes reported as well as two crime categories-Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Property.

Part I crimes under UCR, also known as Index crimes collectively, were split into violent and property crime categories. Violent crime included aggravated assault, forcible rape, murder, and robbery. Property crimes included arson, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft.

Part II crimes under UCR included simple assault, curfew offenses and loitering, embezzlement, forgery and counterfeiting, disorderly conduct, driving under the influence, drug offenses, fraud, gambling, liquor offenses, offenses against the family, prostitution, public drunkenness, runaways, sex offenses, stolen property, vandalism, vagrancy, and weapons offenses.

With NIBRS, the data collected includes every incident and arrest in the Group A offense category and only arrest information in the Group B category. Similar to UCR, NIBRS reports Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Property. Unlike UCR, NIBRS also reports a third category-Crimes Against Society.
NIBRS QUICK FACTS

**NIBRS Components:**
- 24 Offense Categories
- 52 Group A Offenses
- 10 Group B Offenses
- 58 Data Elements

**Offense Categories:**
- Crimes Against Persons
- Crimes Against Property
- Crimes Against Society

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**Group A Offenses**

- Arson
- Assault Offenses
  - Aggravated Assault
  - Simple Assault
  - Intimidation
- Bribery
- Burglary
- Counterfeiting/Forgery
- Destruction/Damage/Vandalism
- Drug/Narcotic Violations
- Drug Equipment Violations
- Embezzlement
- Extortion/Blackmail
- Fraud Offenses
  - False Pretenses/Swindle
  - Credit/Debit Card Fraud
  - Impersonation
  - Welfare Fraud
  - Wire Fraud
  - Identity Theft
  - Hacking/Computer Invasion
- Gambling Offenses
  - Betting/Wagering
  - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling
  - Gambling Equipment Violations
  - Sports Tampering
- Homicide Offenses
  - Murder or Non-negligent Manslaughter
  - Negligent Manslaughter
  - Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime)

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**Group B Offenses**

- Bad Checks
- Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy
- Disorderly Conduct
- Driving Under the Influence
- Drunkenness

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**Human Trafficking Offenses**
- Commercial Sex Acts
- Involuntary Servitude

**Kidnapping/Abduction**

**Larceny-Theft Offenses**
- Pocket-Picking
- Purse Snatching
- Shoplifting
- Theft From Building
- Theft from Coin-Operated Machine
- Theft from Motor Vehicle
- Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts
- All other Larceny

**Motor Vehicle Theft**

**Pornography/Obscene Material**

**Prostitution Offenses**
- Prostitution
- Assisting or Promoting Prostitution
- Purchasing Prostitution

**Robbery**

**Sex Offenses**
- Rape
- Sodomy
- Sexual Assault with an Object
- Fondling

**Stolen Property Offenses**

**Weapon Law Violations**

**Animal Cruelty**

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**Family Offenses (Nonviolent)**

**Liquor Law Violations**

**Peeping Tom**

**Trespass of Real Property**

**All Other Offenses**