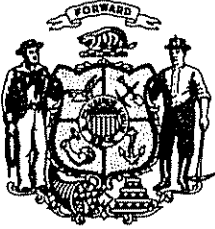


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This volume, *Wisconsin Criminal Justice Information, Crime and Arrests - 1972* has been developed with the philosophy that understanding problems is the first step in their solution. The following analysis is presented for the benefit of all who are concerned with the problems and progress of law enforcement and criminal justice in our state. I am certain that criminal justice administrators, elected officials, academic researchers, and an interested public will find it of unique value.

Uniform Crime Reports provide the basis for this examination of crime in Wisconsin, and 1972 was the first year in which the Wisconsin Program experienced 100 percent participation by all direct contributors. The year also saw the introduction of UCR Monthly Comparison Reports that are returned to local law enforcement administrators and the issuance of quarterly and semi-annual crime and arrests trend data.

Wisconsin's Uniform Crime Reporting Program is administered by the Crime Information Bureau of the Division of Law Enforcement Services within the Department of Justice. In addition to summary crime reporting, the Bureau operates the centralized state identification repository and the computerized TIME System. The year 1972 provided statewide advances in identification services serving all segments of the criminal justice system and the complete implementation of the TIME System, both of which are treated in more detail within this report.

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