WASHINGTON – The Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) released PREA Data Collection Activities, 2015, which describes BJS’s activities to collect data and report on the incidence and effects of sexual victimization in correctional facilities, as required by the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) (P.L. 108-79). The report summarizes BJS’s efforts during 2014 and the first five months of 2015, which included analyzing administrative records of sexual victimization in adult correctional facilities based on the Survey of Sexual Violence (SSV), implementing changes to the SSV and completing data collection, and, for the first time, providing estimates of the rates of sexual victimization among transgender inmates. In addition, BJS and its data collection agents, RTI International and Westat, conducted further analyses of previous inmate self-report surveys to provide a more comprehensive understanding of facility- and individual-level indicators of sexual victimization. This report meets the PREA requirement to report on BJS’s activities for the preceding calendar year by June 30 of each year.

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