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BJS RELEASES AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVES IN LOCAL JAILS, 1999-2014

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics today released *American Indian and Alaska Natives in Local Jails, 1999-2014,* which describes the American Indian and Alaska Natives (AIAN) population held in local jails, including national and state level estimates and inmate characteristics. The report also presents data on AIAN inmates confined in Indian country jails and state and federal prisons. Findings are based on data from BJS's Annual Survey of Jails (2000-14), Census of Jails (1999, 2005 and 2013), National Inmate Survey (2011-12), Survey of Jails in Indian Country (1999 and 2014) and National Prisoner Statistics program (1999, 2005 and 2014).

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