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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE EXAMINES METHODS AND TRENDS IN COLLECTING STATISTICS ON JUVENILES IN CUSTODY

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs’ National Institute of Justice today published an article describing the history, methodology and trends of statistical collections on juveniles in custody. Both collections, the Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement and the Juvenile Residential Facilities Census, gather information from residential placement facilities that hold juveniles who are charged or adjudicated for an offense.

The article discusses the surveys’ strengths, weaknesses and need to adapt to the changing juvenile corrections environment, including the work that NIJ and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention are performing to improve data collection instruments and methodologies for generating statistics on the number and characteristics of juveniles in residential placement and information about the facilities in which they are held. NIJ and OJJDP are committed to improving the quality and utility of data available to inform decisions by juvenile justice professionals and policymakers and to support their efforts to advance effective and equitable juvenile justice systems.

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