
Appendix B: Abbreviated 1997 National Youth Gang Survey Form for the Comparative Sample

Survey Instructions

In the 1995 and 1996 National Youth Gang Surveys, your agency furnished information that contributed to a better understanding of the scope of youth gang problems in the United States. We ask you to update the data for **1997** by answering the questions on page 2.

1. Please report data for **Calendar Year 1997** (January 1 through December 31).
2. For the purpose of this survey, a “youth gang” is defined as: *a group of youths or young adults in your jurisdiction that you or other responsible persons in your agency or community are willing to identify or classify as a “gang.”* **Do not** include motorcycle gangs, hate or ideology groups, prison gangs, or other exclusively adult gangs. Please base your responses on your records, your personal knowledge, and/or consultations with other agency personnel who are familiar with youth gangs.
3. Police departments should report only for their city/town.
4. Sheriff’s departments should report *only for their unincorporated service area and any contracted jurisdictions.*

Please return the completed survey form by fax or by mail to:

National Youth Gang Center
Institute for Intergovernmental Research
Post Office Box 12729
Tallahassee, FL 32317-2729
Telephone Number: 800-446-0912
Fax Number: 888-323-7305 (*This is a toll-free fax number.*)

Agency Information

1. Name of Jurisdiction Served (City, Town, or County): _____
2. Law Enforcement Agency Name: _____
3. Agency Mailing Address:
Street: _____
City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
4. Name of Person Completing Survey:
First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____
5. Title/Rank: _____
6. Telephone Number, With Area Code: _____ - _____ - _____
7. Fax Number, With Area Code: _____ - _____ - _____

Survey Questions

1. During **1997**, were any youth gangs active in the city, town, or county served by your agency?

Yes No

2. In your jurisdiction in **1997**, on the basis of records or your best estimate, what was the number of:

Active Youth Gangs? _____ **Do not know:** _____

Youth Gang Members? _____ **Do not know:** _____

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