

TABLE 3.2

Differences Between the UCR and the NIBRS

ITEM	UCR	NIBRS
Crime count	Consists of monthly aggregate crime counts for eight index offenses	Consists of individual incident records for eight index crimes and 38 other offenses with details on offense, offender, victim, and property
Incidents reported	Records one offense per incident as determined by hierarchy rule	Records each offense occurring in the incident
Hierarchy rule effect	Suppresses count of lesser offenses in multiple offense incidents	No effect, given that all offenses in the incident are counted
Completed versus attempted	Does not distinguish between completed and attempted offenses	Does distinguish between completed and attempted offenses
Rape counting	Records rape of females only	Records rape of males and females
Weapon information	Collected for murder, robbery, and aggravated assault	Collected for all violent offenses
Arrest counts	Provides counts of arrests for eight Part I offenses and 21 other offenses	Provides details on arrests for eight Part 1 offenses and 49 other offenses