



### DEATHS IN CUSTODY—2013 DEATH REPORT ON INMATES IN PRIVATE AND MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL JAILS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUREAU OF JUSTICE STATISTICS AND ACTING AS COLLECTION AGENT:

**RTI INTERNATIONAL** 

	FORM COMPLETED BY:					
Name		Title				
Official Address		Telephone				
City		FAX				
State	Zip E-mail					

# **Instructions for Completion**

If no deaths occurred in 2013:

- You do not need to report anything at this time.
- At the beginning of 2014, you will be asked to complete a summary form whether or not you had a death occurrence in 2013.

If you had more than one death in 2013:

- Make copies of this form for each additional death.
- Complete the entire form for each inmate death.
- Once your death records are complete, there are several ways to submit a death report:

ONLINE: Complete the report online at: https://bjsdcrp.rti.org

E-MAIL: bjsdcrp@rti.org

FAX (TOLL-FREE): 1-866-800-9179

MAIL: RTI International, Attn: Data Capture Project Number: 0213149.001.200.202 5265 Capital Boulevard Raleigh, NC 27690-1652

If you need assistance, contact Kim Aspinwall of RTI International toll-free at 1-800-344-1387 or bisdcrp@rti.org

INCLUDE deaths of ALL persons	EXCLUDE deaths of ALL persons
<ul> <li>Confined in your jail facilities, even if housed for another jurisdiction</li> <li>Under your jurisdiction but housed in special jail</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Under your jurisdiction but in nonresidential community- based programs run by your jails (e.g., electronic monitoring, house arrest, community service, day reporting, work programs)</li> </ul>
facilities (e.g., medical/treatment/release centers, halfway houses, or work farms); or on transfer to treatment facilities	<ul> <li>Under your jurisdiction but AWOL, escaped, or on long- term transfer to another jurisdiction</li> </ul>
Under your jurisdiction but out to court	<ul> <li>In the process of arrest by your agency, but not yet booked into your jail facility</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>In transit to or from your facilities while under your supervision</li> </ul>	

# What deaths should be reported?

#### **BURDEN STATEMENT**

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, we cannot ask you to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The burden of this collection is estimated to average 15 minutes per response for jurisdictions reporting zero deaths and 30 minutes per each reported death, including reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering necessary data, and completing and reviewing this form. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this survey, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Director, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531. Do not send your completed form to this address.

## JAIL INMATE DEATH REPORT

1. What was the inmate's name?	<ul> <li>8. On what date was the inmate admitted to your jail facility?</li> <li>MONTH</li> <li>DAY</li> <li>YEAR</li> </ul>	
2. On what date did the inmate die?	<ul> <li>9. Was the inmate being confined in your jail facility on behalf of any of the following?</li> <li>PLEASE PROVIDE A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM (a-c)</li> </ul>	
3. What was the name and location of the correctional facility involved?  Facility Name:  Facility City: Facility City: Facility State: Facility City: Facility State:	DON'T YES NO KNOW a. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement	
4. What was the inmate's date of birth?	10. For what offense(s) was the inmate being held?         a.         b.	
<ul> <li>5. What was the inmate's sex?</li> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>	c	
<ul> <li>6. Was the inmate of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>11. What was the inmate's legal status at time of death? (For inmates with more than one status, report the status associated with the most serious offense.)</li> <li>Convicted—new court commitment</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>7. In addition, what was the inmate's race? Please select one or more of the following racial categories: <ul> <li>White</li> <li>Black or African American</li> <li>American Indian or Alaska Native</li> <li>Asian</li> <li>Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</li> <li>Some other race</li> </ul> </li> <li>Please Specify:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Convicted—returned probation/parole violator</li> <li>Unconvicted</li> <li>Other</li> <li>Please Specify:</li> </ul> 12. Since admission, did the inmate ever stay overnight in a mental health observation unit or an outside mental health facility? <ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>Don't Know</li> </ul>	

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<ul> <li>13. Where did the inmate die?</li> <li>In a general housing unit within the jail facility or on jail grounds</li> <li>In a segregation unit</li> <li>In a special medical unit/infirmary within the jail facility</li> <li>In a special mental health services unit within the jail facility</li> <li>In a medical center outside the jail facility</li> <li>In a mental health center outside the jail facility</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>While in transit</li> <li>Elsewhere</li> <li>Please Specify:</li> </ul>				
14. Are the results of a medical examiner's or coroner's evaluation (such as an autopsy, postmortem exam, or review of medical records) available to establish an official cause of death?				
<ul> <li>YES → CONTINUE TO Q15</li> <li>Evaluation complete—results are pending</li> </ul>				
SKIP REMAINING QUESTIONS AND SUBMIT THIS FORM - YOU WILL BE CONTACTED AT A LATER TIME FOR THE CAUSE OF DEATH				
○ No evaluation is planned → CONTINUE TO Q15				
15. What was the cause of death? *** Please SPECIFY cause of death—it is critical information ***				
Illness—Exclude AIDS-related deaths [Specify]				
<ul> <li>Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)</li> </ul>				
○ Accidental alcohol/drug intoxication [Describe] →				
○ Accidental injury to self [Describe]				
<ul> <li>Accidental injury by other (e.g., vehicular accidents during transport) [Describe]</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Suicide (e.g., hanging, knife/cutting instrument, intentional drug overdose) [Describe]</li> </ul>				
O Homicide [Describe]				
○ Other cause(s) [Specify]				
<b>16. Where did the <u>incident</u> (e.g., accident, suicide, or homicide) causing the death take place?</b> O NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was illness, intoxication, or AIDS-related				
In the jail facility or on the jail grounds In the inmate's cell/room In a temporary holding area/lockup In a common area within the facility (e.g., yard, library, cafeteria) In a segregation unit In a special medical unit/infirmary In a special mental health services unit Elsewhere within the jail facility Please Specify:				
<ul> <li>Outside the jail facility (e.g., while on work release or on work detail)</li> <li>O Elsewhere</li> </ul>				
Please Specify:				

<ul> <li>17. When did the <u>incident</u> (e.g., accident, suicide, or homicide) causing the death occur?</li> <li>NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was illness, intoxication, or AIDS-related</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Morning (6 am to Noon)</li> <li>Afternoon (Noon to 6 pm)</li> <li>Evening (6 pm to Midnight)</li> <li>Overnight (Midnight to 6 am)</li> </ul>				
18. Excluding emergency care provided at the time of death, did the inmate receive any of the following medical services for the medical condition that caused his/her death after admission to your correctional facilities?				
O NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide, or homicide				
YES       NO       DON'T KNOW         a.       Evaluation by physician/medical staff       O       O       PLEASE PROVIDE A         b.       Diagnostic tests (e.g., X-rays, MRI)       O       O       PLEASE PROVIDE A         c.       Medications       O       O       O       ITEM (a-f)         d.       Treatment/care other than medications       O       O       O       ITEM (a-f)         e.       Surgery       O       O       O       O       O         f.       Confinement in special medical unit.       O       O       O       O       O				
<ul> <li>19. Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the inmate develop the condition after admission? (If multiple conditions caused the death and <u>any</u> of the conditions were pre-existing, mark "Pre-existing medical condition.")</li> <li>O NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide, or homicide</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Pre-existing medical condition</li> <li>Deceased developed condition after admission</li> <li>Could not be determined</li> </ul>				
Please add any additional notes regarding this death here:				