

NIBRS ~ Tip of the Month

Clearing Up Confusion On Clearances

- In NIBRS, a clearance is either by arrest or an exceptional clearance.
- A clearance in NIBRS does not mean there is a final disposition, the case is unsolved or closed, or the case is no longer under active investigation.



Reasons for Exceptional Clearances:

- Death of Offender
- Prosecution Declined
- Offender In Custody of Another Jurisdiction
- Victim Refused to Cooperate with Prosecution
- The Juvenile was Not Taken into Custody for a Minor Offense