

# NIBRS Tip of the Month

## Race and Ethnicity Codes

When describing an individual involved in an incident, the FBI UCR Program accepts the following Race and Ethnicity codes:

### Race Codes:

A = Asian

P = Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

B = Black or African American

U = Unknown

I = American Indian or Alaska Native      W = White

Entry of race is mandatory when the Type of Victim is an Individual or Law Enforcement Officer and to describe an Offender or an Arrestee.

### Ethnicity Codes:

H = Hispanic or Latino

N = Not Hispanic or Latino

U = Unknown

Note: The ethnic designation of Hispanic or Latino includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. For a person of Hispanic ethnicity, enter the race code that most closely represents the individual.



Entry of ethnicity is optional and is reported at the discretion of the reporting agency. It is used when the Type of Victim is an Individual or Law Enforcement Officer and to describe an Offender or an Arrestee.