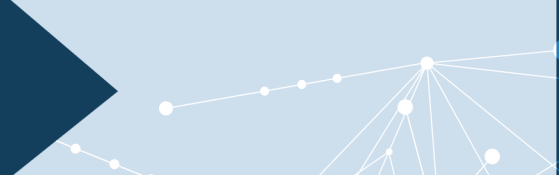




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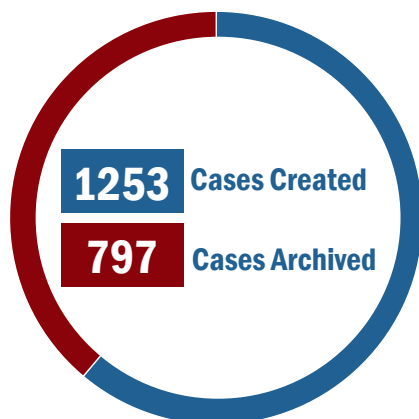
Three stylized silhouettes of people (two men and one woman) standing side-by-side, rendered in shades of blue.

National Missing and Unidentified Persons System

Monthly Case Report
December 2024



MISSING PERSONS



2,050
Total Cases
Created/Archived

44
Tribal Cases
Created/Archived

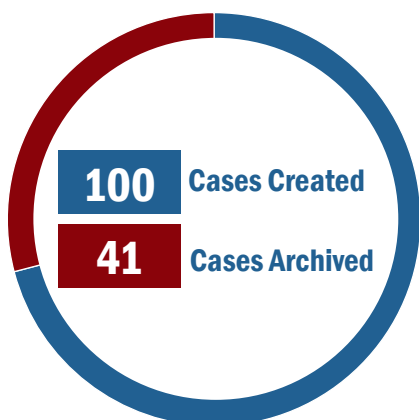
25,553

Active Missing Persons Cases

52,709

Total Resolved Missing Persons Cases

UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS



141
Total Cases
Created/Archived

2
Tribal Cases
Created/Archived

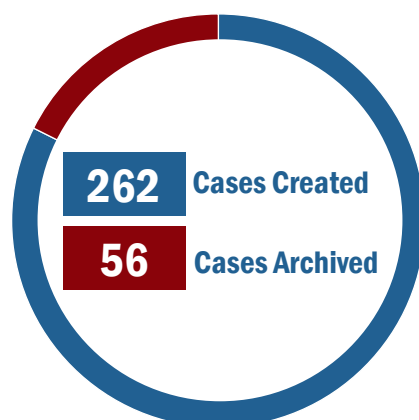
15,168

Active Unidentified Persons Cases

7,940

Total Resolved Unidentified Persons Cases

UNCLAIMED PERSONS



318
Total Cases
Created/Archived

0
Tribal Cases
Created/Archived

18,824

Active Missing Persons Cases

5,876

Total Resolved Unclaimed Persons Cases

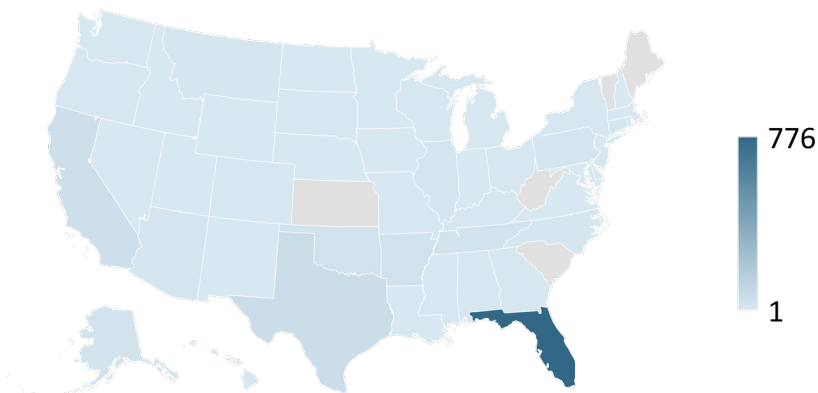
Cases will be counted twice for both points of impact if they are opened and resolved within the same month.



MISSING PERSONS

Florida	776
Texas	68
California	53
Oklahoma	36
Arkansas	36
Tennessee	33
Alaska	31
Illinois	19
Arizona	17
Pennsylvania	17

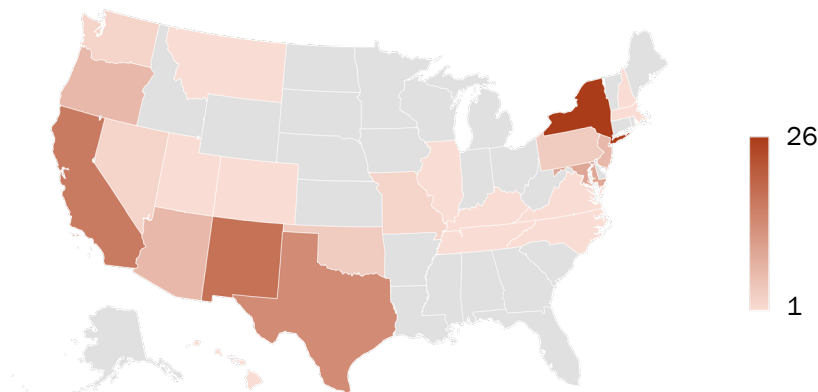
1253 Missing Cases from 46 States and Territories



UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS

New York	19
New Mexico	13
California	12
Texas	10
Maryland	7
Arizona	5
New Jersey	5
Oregon	5
Pennsylvania	3
Oklahoma	3

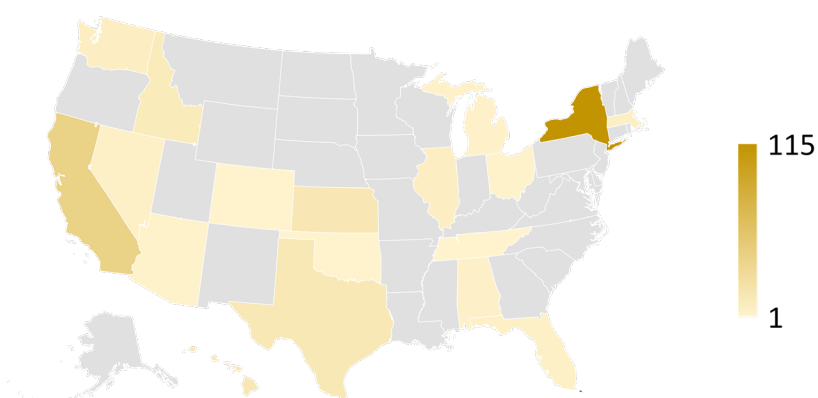
100 Unidentified Cases from 25 States and Territories



UNCLAIMED PERSONS

New York	115
California	40
Hawaii	15
Kansas	15
Texas	14
Idaho	11
Washington	7
Illinois	7
Massachusetts	6
Nevada	5

262 Unclaimed Cases from 20 States and Territories



Forensic Services

FINGERPRINTS

0 Requests in Queue
355 Processed this Year

ODONTOLOGY

13 Requests in Queue
141 Processed this Year

IMAGE ANALYSIS*

237 Requests in Queue
40 Processed this Year

FGG**

212 Requests in Queue
4 Processed this Year

ANALYTICAL

23 Requests in Queue
13 Processed this Year

COLD CASE REVIEW

365 Requests in Queue
1254 Processed this Year

FAMILY REFERENCE

516 Requests in Queue
0 Processed this Year

DIRECT REFERENCE

45 Requests in Queue
0 Processed this Year

HUMAN REMAINS

498 Requests in Queue
0 Processed this Year

Data related to forensic services is pulled at the beginning of each month.

This report reflects requests processed in the current fiscal year (October 2024 – September 2025).

*In this report, Image Analysis includes anthropological species analysis, forensic art, facial recognition, and tattoo searches.

** FGG refers to Forensic Genetic Genealogy.



CONFERENCES

1 Conferences Attended

1400 Conference Attendees

TRAININGS

1 Training Events

44 Trainees

MDT REVIEW

0 MDT Presentations

11 CCA Cases Impacted*

The Cold Case Advisory (CCA) team is a multidisciplinary group of investigative professionals consisting of former law enforcement, medicolegal death investigators, DNA specialists, analysts, and forensic scientists. They provide agencies with a technical assessment of their cold cases to ensure all forensic and investigative avenues have been explored. Their support culminates in a Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) presentation where they share their findings and suggestions with the investigating agencies.

This series of reports contains information only on individuals who have been reported as missing, unidentified, or unclaimed to NamUs; it does not include information on all missing, unidentified, and unclaimed persons nationwide. Missing, unidentified, and unclaimed person status is reported to NamUs by local, state, tribal, or federal law enforcement, or it may be self-reported by family members. This report contains information from published, unpublished, and archived NamUs cases. Published cases are those that are publicly viewable within the database; unpublished cases are those that have not received law enforcement approval for public dissemination but still contain verifiable case information in the database; and archived cases are those that have been deemed resolved by the investigating agency. Therefore, the following report may not be reflective of the entirety of the issues surrounding missing, unidentified, and unclaimed persons in the United States and its territories.

Additionally, this report contains information only on individuals who have been reported missing to NamUs and whose race/ethnicity is selected as American Indian/Alaska Native singularly or in any combination within Missing or Unclaimed Person entries. Unidentified human remains are classified as American Indian/Alaska native when the estimated race/ethnicity indicates this option singularly or in combination with up to three other race/ethnicities selected. Race/ethnicity information is reported to NamUs by local, state, tribal, or federal law enforcement, or it may be reported by family members of missing persons.

**CCA Cases Impacted includes additional biometrics obtained, updated status of record availability, or cases archived through CCA team outreach.*

