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21,619 Missing from 55 States and Territories

Top 10 States
- California: 2,988
- Texas: 1,998
- Florida: 1,604
- Alaska: 1,192
- Arizona: 1,048
- New York: 1,039
- Washington: 788
- Oklahoma: 757
- Tennessee: 628
- Michigan: 617

Top 10 Cities
- Los Angeles (CA): 328
- Houston (TX): 278
- Phoenix (AZ): 236
- Dallas (TX): 222
- San Francisco (CA): 219
- McAllen (TX): 187
- Oklahoma City (OK): 184
- Miami (FL): 178
- Memphis (TN): 161
- Detroit (MI): 154

Demographics

Age of Case
- <90 Days: 1%
- 3-12 mo: 9%
- 1-2 yrs: 8%
- 2-5 yrs: 13%
- 5-10 yrs: 14%
- 10-20 yrs: 22%
- >20 yrs: 40%

Average Years Missing
- 18.2 years

Race/Ethnicity
- White: 58%
- Black: 16%
- Hispanic: 12%
- Multiracial: 7%
- AI/AN: 3%
- Asian: 2%
- Other: 1%
- Uncertain: <1%
- Pacific Islander: <1%

Sex Assigned at Birth
- Male: 39%
- Female: 61%

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13,985 Unidentified from 54 States and Territories

Top 10 States
- California: 2,818
- Arizona: 1,964
- Texas: 1,791
- New York: 1,437
- Florida: 904
- New Jersey: 418
- Michigan: 322
- Maryland: 321
- Pennsylvania: 315
- Nevada: 310

Top 10 Cities
- New York (NY): 489
- Brooklyn (NY): 339
- Los Angeles (CA): 313
- Houston (TX): 246
- Philadelphia (PA): 212
- Detroit (MI): 205
- Bronx (NY): 180
- Queens (NY): 165
- Baltimore (MD): 154
- Miami (FL): 144

Demographics

Average Age of Case: 22.5 years

Race/Ethnicity
- White: 33%
- Black: 15%
- Hispanic: 13%
- Multiracial: 13%
- AI/AN: <1%
- Asian: 2%
- Other: <1%
- Uncertain: 22%
- Pacific Islander: 1%

Sex Assigned at Birth
- Male: 75%
- Female: 19%
- Other: 6%

Persons Found on Tribal Lands
- Yes: 79%
- No: 19%
- Unknown: 2%

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13,299 Unclaimed from 42 States and Territories

Top 10 States
- New York: 6,366
- California: 2,070
- Washington: 1,176
- Massachusetts: 492
- Tennessee: 489
- Texas: 414
- Hawaii: 407
- Georgia: 276
- Idaho: 205
- Nevada: 201

Top 10 Cities
- Bronx (NY): 1,536
- Brooklyn (NY): 1,065
- Manhattan (NY): 846
- Queens (NY): 789
- New York (NY): 550
- Houston (TX): 295
- Tacoma (WA): 270
- Knoxville (TN): 265
- Honolulu (HI): 178
- Atlanta (GA): 177

Demographics

Average Years of Unclaimed Cases
5.3 years

Sex Assigned at Birth
- Male: 72%
- Female: 20%
- Unsure/Unknown: 8%

Race/Ethnicity
- White: 38%
- Black: 22%
- Hispanic: 11%
- Multiracial: 3%
- A/AN: <1%
- Asian: 3%
- Other: 2%
- Pacific Islander: <1%
- Unsure: 20%

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