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Some form of criminal history record or “rap sheet” information is accessible online in 13 of the 38 States that responded to a recent email survey on the availability of such information on the Internet. States that do post rap sheet information online generally charge for access, with fees ranging from \$2 to \$24. Some non-profit agencies are provided free access to the information in two of the responding States — Michigan and Washington.

The survey of state criminal history repository directors was conducted by SEARCH, The National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics, beginning March 5, 2001. The survey response tables and individual State responses are available below.

SEARCH appreciates the contributions of those State representatives who participated in the survey. Please contact Eric Johnson, SEARCH Policy Research Analyst, at (916) 392-2550 or by email at eric.johnson@search.org if you have questions about the survey or need more information.

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?

Yes

No

2. If yes, what types of information are available?

a. Everything on record

b. Convictions only

c. Convictions and pending prosecutions (e.g., arrests less than one year old)

d. Other

3. Is the information provided for a fee?

Yes

No

4. If yes, how much? _____

SO Only = sex offender information only.

As asterisk indicates additional information is available to elaborate on the answer.

Responses as of 4/4/01: 38

Question	1	2	3	4
Alabama	No			
Alaska	SO Only			
Arizona	No			
Arkansas	No			
California	No			
Colorado	Yes	a	Yes	\$5.50
Connecticut	No			
Delaware	No			
Dist. Columbia				
Florida	Yes	a	Yes	\$15
Georgia	Yes*	b	Yes	\$10
Hawaii	SO Only		No	
Idaho	No			
Illinois				
Indiana				
Iowa	No*			
Kansas	Yes	b	Yes	\$10
Kentucky	No			
Louisiana	No			
Maine	No			
Maryland				
Massachusetts	No*			
Michigan	Yes	b	Yes	\$0/\$5
Minnesota				
Mississippi				
Missouri				
Montana				
Nebraska	No*			
Nevada				
New Hampshire				
New Jersey	No			
New Mexico	No*			
New York	Yes	d	No	
North Carolina	No			
North Dakota	No			
Ohio	No			
Oklahoma	No*			
Oregon	No*			
Pennsylvania	Yes*	d	Yes	\$10
Puerto Rico				
Rhode Island	No			
South Carolina	Yes	a	Yes	\$8/\$25
South Dakota	No			
Tennessee	No			
Texas	Yes	b*	Yes	\$3.57
Utah				
Vermont	No			
Virgin Islands				
Virginia				
Washington	Yes	c, d	Yes	\$0/\$10
West Virginia				
Wisconsin	Yes	a	Yes	\$2/\$5/\$13
Wyoming	No			

Alabama

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	James Potts Assistant Supervisor, Identification Unit Alabama Department of Public Safety

Alaska

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Only certain sex offender conviction information is available on the Internet in accordance with Alaska's SOR law/program.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	See Number 1.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	No.
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Kenneth Bischoff Director, Division of Administrative Services Alaska Department of Public Safety

Arizona

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Georgene Ramming Bureau Chief Technology and Communications Bureau Arizona Department of Public Safety

Arkansas

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	David Eberdt Director Arkansas Crime Information Center

California

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Gary Cooper Chief Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information California Department of Justice

Colorado

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Everything on record.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$5.50 per name check.
Source	Robert Armstrong Colorado Crime Information Center Colorado Bureau of Investigation

Connecticut

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Margaret Murphy Unit Supervisor Bureau of Identification Connecticut Department of Public Safety

Delaware

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Capt. David E. Deputy Director, State Bureau of Identification Delaware State Police

District of Columbia

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Florida

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Everything on record except sealed or expunged records.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$15 per request.
Source	Donna M. Uzzell Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Georgia

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	CCH not online yet but will be by late 2001.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Felony convictions only.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$10.
Source	Terry Gibbons Georgia Department of Investigation

Hawaii

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Sex offender information only.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	See Number 1.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	No.
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Liane Moriyama Administrator, Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center Department of the Attorney General

Idaho

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Robert Taylor Manager, Bureau of Criminal Identification Idaho State Police

Illinois

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Indiana

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Limited computerized criminal history record information is available to law enforcement.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Capt. Jimmie Durnil Records Division Indiana State Police

Iowa

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Health care facilities can access the State's Master Name Index online and receive an individual's entire record if there is a hit.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Everything on record.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$10 per check.
Source	Timothy P. McDonald Assistant Director Division of Criminal Investigation Iowa Department of Public Safety

Kansas

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes. Kansas maintains a prototype system that provides select non-criminal justice entities with Internet access to criminal history record information. The State will expand access to all users when it migrates from the prototype to its final design later in 2001. The system was designed primarily for criminal justice agencies but Kansas provided limited non-criminal justice access as it gain experience with Internet operations.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Non-criminal justice entities are provided with adult conviction-only information.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes
4. If yes, how much?	\$10 for each name check. The fee may rise to around \$13 when Kansas moves to the system's final design
Source	Dave Sim Special Agent in Charge Kansas Bureau of Investigation

Kentucky

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Lt. John Moberly Records Section Kentucky State Police

Louisiana

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	C. Langois Louisiana Dept of Public Safety

Maine

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No, although Maine is just beginning to consider an automation project for its criminal history record information.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Ruth Lunn State Bureau of Identification Maine State Police

Maryland

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	M. Michael Tarlton Jr. Acting Director Information Technology Division Maryland Dept. of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Massachusetts

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No. However, Massachusetts is in the process of making some criminal history information available to non-criminal justice agencies over the Internet.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Generally, information on convictions and pending prosecutions, although some agencies designated by State statute will receive the entire criminal history record.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$10
Source	Barry LaCroix Acting Executive Director Massachusetts Criminal History Board

Michigan

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Convictions only.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$5 for general requestors; no charge to non-profits. The State repository assigns non-profits with agency numbers that they use when logging onto the criminal history record information site. The profile information related to the numbers provides free access.
Source	Joyce Woodward Identification Section Manager Michigan State Police

Minnesota

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Mississippi

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Missouri

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Montana

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Nebraska

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Nebraska does not currently offer criminal history record information over the Internet, but it has decided to do so. The state is currently working on programming and procedural issues and anticipates having the information available online in 12 to 18 months.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Lt. David Dishong Investigative Services Division Nebraska State Patrol

Nevada

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

New Hampshire

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

New Jersey

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Maj. Frederick Madden Supervisor, Records and Identification Section New Jersey State Police

New Mexico

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	New Mexico contracts with a vendor (Technet) to provide Internet access to its Name Index. If a hit is made against the index, the requestor is advised to send a release form.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$10.
Source	Paul V. Herrera Director, Law Enforcement Records Bureau New Mexico Department of Public Safety

New York

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Limited sex offender registration. The New York State Department of Correctional Services also provides information on its Web site on individuals who is serving or who has served time in a New York state correctional facility. These are predominantly felony cases.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	No.
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Brian Holley New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services

North Carolina

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Dalila Loran-Parker Acting Section Supervisor Identification Section North Carolina Bureau of Investigation

North Dakota

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Robert J. Helten Director, Information Services Section North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Ohio

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Michael Powers Deputy Director, Identification Division Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation

Oklahoma

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Oklahoma is an open records state and makes an individual's complete rap sheet available to the public, including arrests, charges, convictions and custody information if available. Requests are received in person or by fax or mail and are returned by the same media through which they are received. Oklahoma is working on making rap sheet information available to the public via the Internet and to certain approved commercial customers through direct access to a duplicate database.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$15 for a name search of state records; \$19 for a fingerprint search of state records; and \$41 for a national fingerprint-based search. Name-based Internet searches are expected to cost less than \$15 but a price hasn't been established.
Source	Rusty Featherstone Division Director, Information Service Division Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation

Oregon

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Oregon State Police accept online requests for criminal history information on individuals. If the request results in a hit, the information is mailed to the requestor.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$15 per request.
Source	Lt. Clifford Daimler Oregon State Police

Pennsylvania

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Convictions and arrests less than three years old without dispositions are made available to commercial customers only.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$10 per request.
Source	John K. Thierwechter Pennsylvania State Police

Puerto Rico

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Rhode Island

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Vincent McAteer Chief, Bureau of Criminal Identification Rhode Island Attorney General's Office

South Carolina

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Everything on record except sealed information.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$8 for non-profits; \$25 for everyone else.
Source	Maj. Mark Huguley Assistant Director South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

South Dakota

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Judi Schneider Supervisor, Identification Section Division of Criminal Investigation Office of the South Dakota Attorney General

Tennessee

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	David Bolme Information Systems Director Tennessee Bureau of Investigation

Texas

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Convictions only plus "deferred adjudications."
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	Approximately \$3.57 per record.
Source	David Gavin Assistant Chief of Administration Crime Records Service Texas Dept of Public Safety

Utah

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Vermont

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	Max Schlueter Director, Crime Information Center Vermont Department of Public Safety

Virgin Islands

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Virginia

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Washington

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Convictions and pending prosecutions. Child and adult abuse information (certain crimes against persons, crimes of financial exploitation and certain drug crimes).
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	Searches conducted under the Criminal Records Privacy Act or the Child and Adult Abuse Information Act carry a \$10 fee. Non-profit agencies may conduct searches under the Child and Adult Abuse Information Act at no charge.
Source	Jannice Gordon Identification and Criminal History Section Washington Access to Criminal History (WATCH) Program Manager Washington State Police

West Virginia

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	

Wisconsin

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	Yes.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	Everything on record.
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	Yes.
4. If yes, how much?	\$2 for non-profit agencies; \$5 for government agencies; \$13 for all other checks. (The fee is levied even if a result of "no record" is returned.)
Source	Gerry Coleman Technical Systems Manager Crime Information Bureau Wisconsin Department of Justice

Wyoming

1. Does your State make computerized criminal history data available over the Internet?	No.
2. If so, what types of information are available?	
3. Is the information provided for a fee?	
4. If yes, how much?	
Source	James Wilson Deputy Director, CJIS Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation