The DICRA Report is a quarterly reporting requirement designed to keep the State of Nebraska in compliance with a federal statute called the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2013. Compliance is tied to grant funding received by the state. As the Nebraska Crime Commission is the administering agency of federal law enforcement grant funding, we appreciate your help in keeping the state compliant and eligible for the maximum amount of grant funding available.

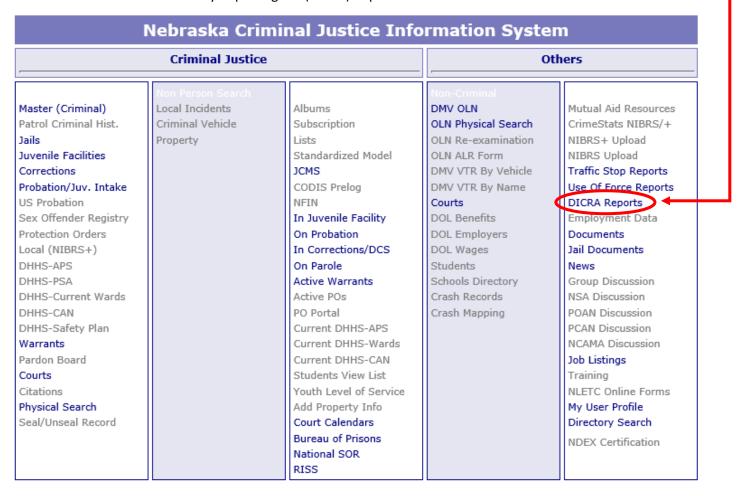
Include

- All deaths resulting from any use of force by state or local law enforcement personnel.
- All deaths caused by injuries sustained while attempting to elude state or local law enforcement personnel or injuries incurred after custody has been established.
- All deaths attributed to suicide, alcohol, or other drug intoxications, or medical conditions (e.g., cardiac arrest) that occur during the process of arrest by or in the custody of state or local law enforcement personnel.
- All deaths occurring in the custody of state or local law enforcement personnel responding to a medical or mental health assistance or welfare call.
- All deaths that occur while confined in lockups or booking centers
- Any inmate death that occurred while in the custody of local jails, state prison, state juvenile correctional facilities, or private correctional facilities.

Exclude

- Deaths attributed to federal law enforcement personnel (e.g., FBI, DEA).
- Deaths of bystanders, hostages, and law enforcement personnel
- Any death of a criminal suspect that occurred before the decedent came into contact with law enforcement
- Deaths by vehicular pursuit without any direct police action

How to submit a Death in Custody Reporting Act (DICRA) Report



DICRA Reports

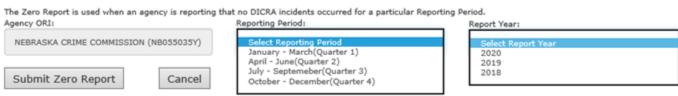
Add a New DICRA Incident Report Submit DICRA Zero Report Legend:

- Edit DICRA Report

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The most common option will be Submit DICRA Zero Report, meaning your agency had no deaths in custody for that reporting period. Your agency will be pre-selected based on your NCJIS account. Simply select the reporting period/reporting year and hit the "Submit Zero Report" button. This option should be done for the previous quarter within the first two weeks of the new quarter (e.g. submit in April for the January – March quarter).

Death In Custody Zero Report



Add a New DICRA Incident Report should be used to report any death in custody. You do not need to wait when submitting these reports, they can be submitted at any time during the quarter. If you have a death that is still under

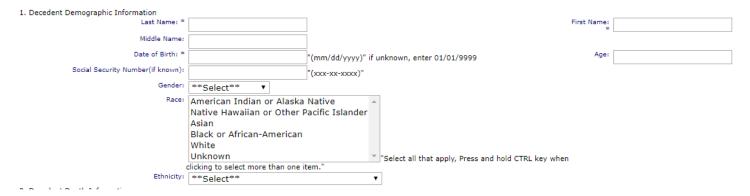
investigation, please report this within two weeks of the next quarter using the "Unavailable, investigation pending" option for the manner of death. When the investigation concludes, you can edit this report to update the information. The Nebraska Crime Commission needs the initial submission in order to comply with federal requirements. We will update the information we've submitted when your agency updates this record in NCJIS.

Required information, per the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2013, include

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(1) the name, gender, race, ethnicity, and age of the deceased;
(2) the date, time, and location of death;
(3) the law enforcement agency that detained, arrested, or was in the process of arresting the deceased; and
(4) a brief description of the circumstances surrounding the death.
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Sections 1 (Decedent Demographic Information) and 2 (Decedent Death Information) of the DICRA Incident Report in NCJIS collect information regarding the first three requirements. The fourth requirement (a brief description...) is collected through Section 3 (Narrative). Section 4 (Additional Decedent Demographic Information) is optional and will be used by the Crime Commission in potential future analysis.

Section 1

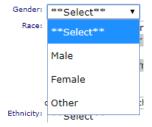


First and Last Name are required information to submit a report

If the date of birth is unknown, please enter "01/01/9999" to signify this and enter an approximate age.

Social security number is not required for submission. This information will only be used as a verification of identity.

Gender is required and there are only three options (Male, Female, and Other).



Race and ethnicity are both required for submission. You can select multiple options in the Race field. Hispanic is not a valid Race option according to the federal government for this submission, similar to the Race field on a fingerprint card/LiveScan submission.

Ethnicity has three options. This exists because a person can be any of any race and still be classified as Hispanic. If you are unsure, please select "Unknown."



Section 2

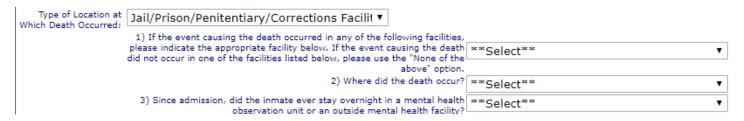


Date of Arrest or Facility Admission are required for submission. Date of Arrest includes the date that the arrest was attempted but ultimately resulted in the death. Date of Arrest and Date of Death will often be the same. Date of Facility Administration will be whenever the decedent was admitted into a correctional facility. Date of Admission and Date of Death will often be different but can be the same.

Time of Death is required and will be the closest approximation to the time of death or the time at which a medical professional declares the death to have occurred.

Location of Death is required. The Location Name and address will be that of the facility or building in which a death occurred. If death does not occur in or near a building, please provide a brief description of the location in the Location Name field. Street address can be approximated by cross streets, mile markers, and/or road names when an exact address isn't available.

Type of Location at Which Death Occurred matches up with NIBRS location codes. In the event that the death occurred in a correctional facility, three additional questions will be asked to clarify the type of correctional facility and where in the facility the death occurred. Failure to answer these questions may result in a follow-up call being made to clarify.



If the manner of death involves a use of force by law enforcement, a homicide, or a suicide you will see an additional question pop up regarding the type of weapon that caused the death.



In the event that other agencies were involved in the incident, two additional questions will open up asking how many other agencies were involved and a space to list all other agencies involved. A death in custody will only need to be reported by the lead agency.



Section 3

This section is used to build a short narrative and asks questions regarding the behaviors of the decedent and the response of law enforcement.

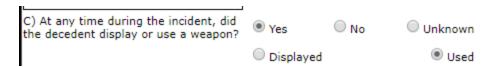
When you click the "Add Parties" button to include any additional parties in the report, it will open a new window in which you can enter the party's information including several questions regarding any injuries sustained from or inflicted on the decedent.



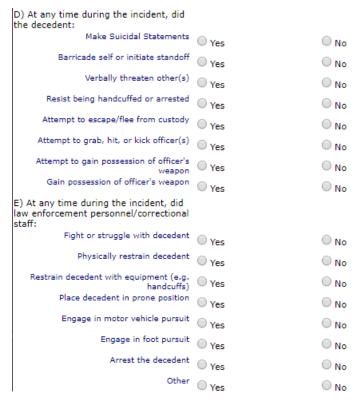
When all information is entered, hit save and the party will appear on the report. You can edit or delete parties from here. If you need to add another additional party, simply click the Add Parties button again.



If it is indicated that the decedent was in possession of a weapon, an additional line will appear to clarify if the weapon was used or simply displayed by the decedent.



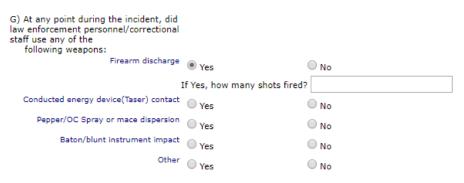
Following this, there will be a series of yes/no questions regarding the behavior of the decedent and the actions of law enforcement in response. If you don't know or are unsure, please select No or leave blank.



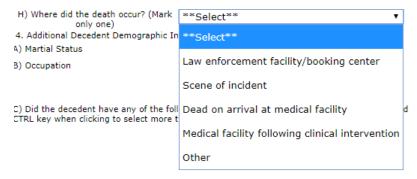
If the decedent injured or attempted to injure law enforcement personnel, follow-up questions will pop up to clarify if they were injured or killed by the decedent similar to the Additional Parties section.

F) At any time during the incident, did the decedent injure or attempt to injure law enforcement personnel/correctional staff?		
	Yes	○ No
If Yes, was law enforcement personnel injured?		
	Yes	○ No
If Yes, was law enforcement personnel fatally injured?		
	○ Yes	● No

Please indicate whether or not the following weapons/tools were used by law enforcement or corrections personnel. If a firearm was discharge, a follow-up question will appear asking how many shots were fired.



The final question in this section may seem like a repeat but it serves to clarify additional details about the location of the death beyond where the incident occurred.



Section 4

Section 4 involves some demographic information that can be useful for analysis by the Systems and Research section of the Nebraska Crime Commission. Please answer if known but this section is not required.



If you have any questions regarding this report please reach out to the <u>Systems and Research Division</u> of the Nebraska Crime Commission.

Contact information can be found at https://ncc.nebraska.gov/staff

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