



The FBI's National Data Exchange (N-DEx)

The N-DEx System

- * Access the Law Enforcement Enterprise Portal (LEEP) at www.fbi.cjis.gov (or ask your state CJIS Systems Officer [CSO] for the preferred access method).
- * Request N-DEx access through your state, tribal or federal N-DEx "Sub-Sig". Submit your request to the moderator for access approval.
- * Click on the N-DEx icon to conduct simple keyword searches or targeted searches for people, vehicles, locations, phone numbers, or property.
- * Set up subscriptions for ongoing investigations—receive automatic notifications of relevant information when new records enter the system, or when another user searches for the same criteria.
- * Use the batch query capability to upload and search thousands of people, vehicles, telephone numbers, etc., at one time.
- * Eliminate information gaps through discovery of previously unknown relationships between people, events, property, and locations.
- * Use visualization tools to graphically depict associations.
- * Set up a collaboration space to work with criminal justice personnel across the nation, to instantly and securely share pertinent information, including files of any type or size.

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What is N-DEx

The N-DEx System is a national investigative information-sharing system, enabling local, state, tribal, and federal criminal justice agencies to participate, at no cost to users or agencies. The N-DEx System is developed and managed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI's) Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division. Records in the N-DEx System span the criminal justice lifecycle and include information related to incident/case reports, arrests, missing persons reports, service calls, booking and incarceration reports, pre-trial, probation and parole reports, warrants, citations/tickets, field contacts/field interviews, and most recently, photographs from the FBI's Next Generation Identification image repository. All of this information promotes public safety, from the initial patrol stop, to the supervision of an individual reintegrated into the community. The N-DEx System provides access to nearly 600 million records from more than 5,700 agencies. Federal data includes records from the Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, United States Marshals Service, FBI field offices, and the Department of Defense. Users can federate searches of other data sources through N-DEx, such as the Department of Homeland Security and INTERPOL.

Value to Community Corrections

The N-DEx System offers more information in less time, and can be used to exhaust every lead. The batch query function is of particular interest to community corrections personnel. Upload an existing file containing hundreds of names and the N-DEx System will conduct multiple queries at once. In a recent case assistance project, the batch query function was used to search for subjects who were wanted by the Georgia Department of Community Supervision. In one instance, a subject was found to be in detention in Michigan. Because of the N-DEx System, a hold was placed on the subject and she will be extradited back to Georgia once her sentence in Michigan is served. The N-DEx System can also be used to validate intake information, determine inmate classifications, supplement institutional transfers, discover previously unknown relationships, screen facility visitors, complete pre-sentence investigation reports, and to allow more effective monitoring. The N-DEx System has been successfully used time and time again, as is evident by the number of success stories the N-DEx Program Office is receiving. The following FBI N-DEx success story is just one example of this.

N-DEx brings a top 10 Texas fugitive to justice

A recipient of the 2016 FBI N-DEx Excellence in Information Sharing Award

In September 2015, Texas Department of Public Safety Analysts were in the process of adding an absconder that was convicted of sexual assault on a child, to their Top 10 Wanted list. They were conducting exhaustive searching of various databases, including a search of the FBI's N-DEx System. They found a recent record from New York State Police in Oneonta, NY, which listed the subject as a complainant in a missing person report. Using the address in the record, San Francisco, California, deputies, acting as deputy United States Marshals, conducted a raid at the address and took the subject into federal custody. If it were not for the N-DEx System hit, the subject likely would have remained at large.

Participate and take advantage of this no-cost CJIS Division service. The FBI is excited to offer the N-DEx System to criminal justice professionals, partnering with you to deliver information, connections, and analysis that protects the United States and promotes public safety.