



Fact Sheet
Sex Offender Operations
2018

Fiscal 2017 Data

• Sex offenders*arrested	12,859
• Adam Walsh Act violation arrests	376
• Compliance checks of registered sex offenders	54,759

*Sex offenses include sexual assault, failure to register/noncompliance with the national sex offender registry and other offenses.

- ▶ With the passage of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, the U.S. Marshals Service was designated as the lead federal agency to investigate violations of federal sex offender registration laws and to assist state, local, tribal and territorial jurisdictions. The Marshals collaborate with those partner agencies to aggressively investigate and pursue noncompliant offenders, placing the highest priority on those who have committed violent acts and crimes against children.
- ▶ The Marshals' National Sex Offender Targeting Center supports all levels of law enforcement in pursuing unregistered and noncompliant sex offenders, collaborating with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the Department of Justice's Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking Office.
 - NSOTC analysts conduct behavioral assessments and provide psychological insights into the minds of suspects and offenders to assist investigators in apprehending noncompliant sex offenders.
 - Intelligence analysts produce detailed intelligence reports to identify and locate noncompliant sex offenders at the request of federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement.
- ▶ In February 2016, Congress passed International Megan's Law to Prevent Child Exploitation and Other Sexual Crimes through Advanced Notification of Traveling Sex Offenders. This law authorizes the U.S. Marshals to: (1) transmit notification of international travel of a sex offender to the destination country, and (2) share information relating to traveling sex offenders with other federal, state, local and foreign agencies.
 - Under International Megan's Law, the Marshals work with the Department of Homeland Security's Angel Watch Center to ensure all traveling sex offenders identified by the center are compliant with their sex offender registration requirements and have reported their intent to travel as mandated by law.
 - Since enactment of the law, more than 2,000 international travel notifications have been processed, and more than 50 violations have been investigated by the U.S. Marshals.