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Evidence Collection Kits for Sexual Assaults

APRIL 1 - DEC. 31, 2024



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[Ohio law](#) imposes certain tracking, reporting and retention requirements on governmental entities charged with the collection, storage, or retrieval of biological evidence. Pursuant to [Section 2933.821 of the Ohio Revised Code](#), these governmental entities were required to begin reporting the following information to the Ohio Attorney General as of March 31, 2024:

- The total number of all tested and untested sexual assault examination kits in possession of each governmental evidence-retention entity, and, for each untested kit, whether the sexual assault was reported to law enforcement or whether the victim chose not to file a report.
- If the governmental evidence-retention entity is a medical facility, the date each untested kit was reported to law enforcement, if applicable, and the date the kit was delivered to the medical facility.
- If the governmental evidence-retention entity is a law enforcement agency, the date each untested kit was received from a medical facility; the date the kit was submitted to a crime laboratory; or, for any kit not submitted to a crime lab, the reason it was not submitted.
- If an untested sexual assault examination kit belongs to another jurisdiction, the date that the jurisdiction was notified and the date the kit was retrieved by that jurisdiction
- If the governmental evidence-retention entity is a crime laboratory:
 - The date each sexual assault examination kit was received from law enforcement and from which agency the kit was received
 - The date the kit was tested, if applicable
 - The date the kit test results were entered into the combined DNA index system maintained by BCI or, if applicable, another relevant state or local DNA; or, if a DNA profile has not been created, the reason it was not created
 - For untested kits, the reason a kit has not been tested
 - The total number of kits in possession of the entity for more than 30 days
 - The total number of kits destroyed and the reason each was destructed

Each year, the Attorney General's Office must compile the data received from the governmental entities and publish an annual summary. This inaugural report includes a summary of the reports received from April 1 to Dec. 31, 2024. Additionally, as required by statute, it includes a list of all governmental entities that failed to participate in the preparation of the report.

If an agency did not collect, store, or retrieve biological evidence, the agency would have no information to report to the Attorney General's Office.

For a summary of the reported data, [click here](#).

For a list of entities that failed to submit information, [click here](#).

NOTE: *The data in this report and the accompanying charts was reported by each law enforcement agency; it has not been independently verified by the Attorney General's Office.*

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