

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S  
ANNUAL REPORT ON**

**CALGANG<sup>®</sup>**

**FOR 2018**



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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Assembly Bill 90 (Chapter 695, Statutes of 2017), the Fair and Accurate Gang Database Act of 2017, required the California Department of Justice (DOJ) to assume the management of the CalGang database, effective January 1, 2018. CalGang, a shared gang intelligence database, is designed to enhance officer safety and improve the efficiency of criminal investigations by providing an accurate, timely, and electronically-generated base of statewide gang-related intelligence information.

Pursuant to Penal Code section 186.36, the DOJ is required to promulgate regulations governing the CalGang database and any other statewide shared gang database. The DOJ is also required to establish the Gang Database Technical Advisory Committee (Committee) for the purpose of convening a group of stakeholders to provide advice to the Attorney General on the development of these regulations. The Fair and Accurate Gang Database Act mandated specific appointees comprise the Committee which included individuals with substantial knowledge of issues related to gang intervention, suppression, and prevention efforts.

The Committee, which was established in 2018, convened multiple times to discuss and draft regulations that captured the various perspectives and technical expertise of the Committee members as well as the public during open meetings. Information provided to the Committee was shared with the public at the meetings as well as through a dedicated page on the Attorney General's website (<https://oag.ca.gov/calgang/gdtac>). While the regulatory effort will continue throughout 2019 through the administrative aspect of the regulatory process, the input provided by the Committee concluded in December 2018 with a final Committee meeting held on December 13, 2018.

This report marks the second annual report for CalGang, based on the 88,670 records that were housed in CalGang as of October 31, 2018. The tables and graphs provided on pages 2 and 3 summarize the data captured during the immediately preceding 12 months November 1, 2017 – October 31, 2018. The full dataset can be found on the Attorney General's website at: <https://oag.ca.gov/calgang/reports>.

For 30 days following the release of this data, the public is invited to submit comments to DOJ for consideration in developing future reports. Subsequent reports will summarize public comments received and any actions taken in response to those comments. Because the DOJ did not receive any public comments regarding last year's published report, there are no summarized comments contained in this report.

Comments may be submitted by e-mail to [CalGangReports@doj.ca.gov](mailto:CalGangReports@doj.ca.gov) or by mail to:

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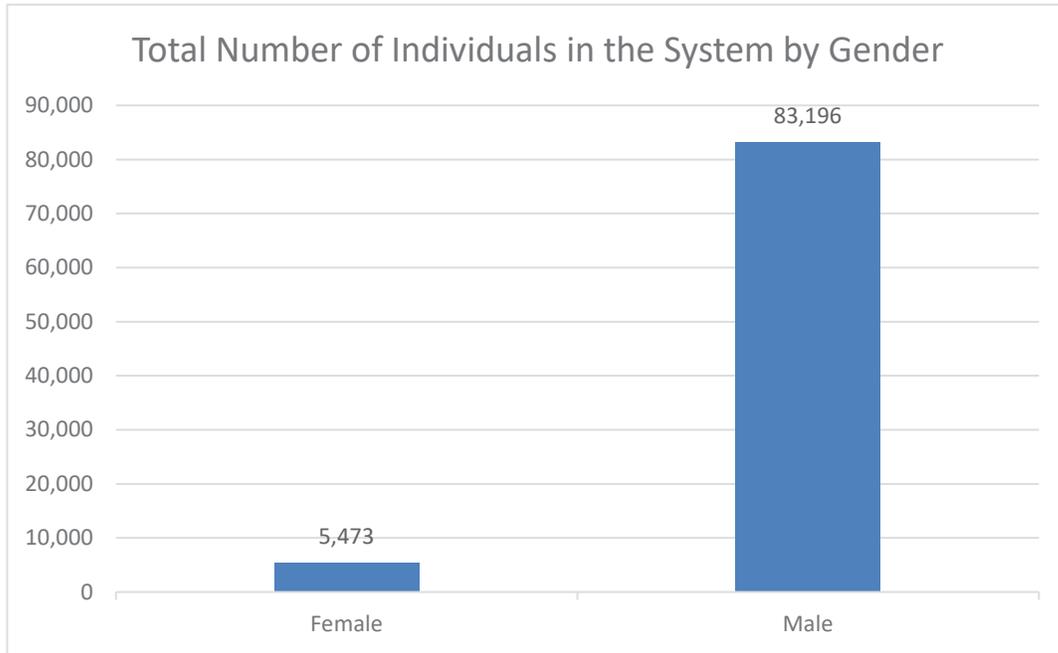
## AT-A-GLANCE

California law requires the DOJ to publish an annual report on the CalGang database that contains by Zip Code, referring agency, race, gender, and age the following information for each user agency, as defined in Penal Code section 186.34(p):

- The number of records included in the CalGang database on the day of reporting.
- The number of persons added to the CalGang database during the immediately preceding 12 months.
- The number of times an agency did not provide notice or documentation because doing so would compromise an active criminal investigation.
- The number of times an agency did not provide notice or documentation because doing so would compromise the health or safety of the designated minor.
- The number of requests for removal of a person from the CalGang database received during the immediately preceding 12 months.
- The number of requests for removal that were granted during the immediately preceding 12 months.
- The number of requests for removal that were adjudicated, including their dispositions, during the immediately preceding 12 months.
- The number of persons removed from the CalGang database due to the expiration of a retention period during the immediately preceding 12 months.

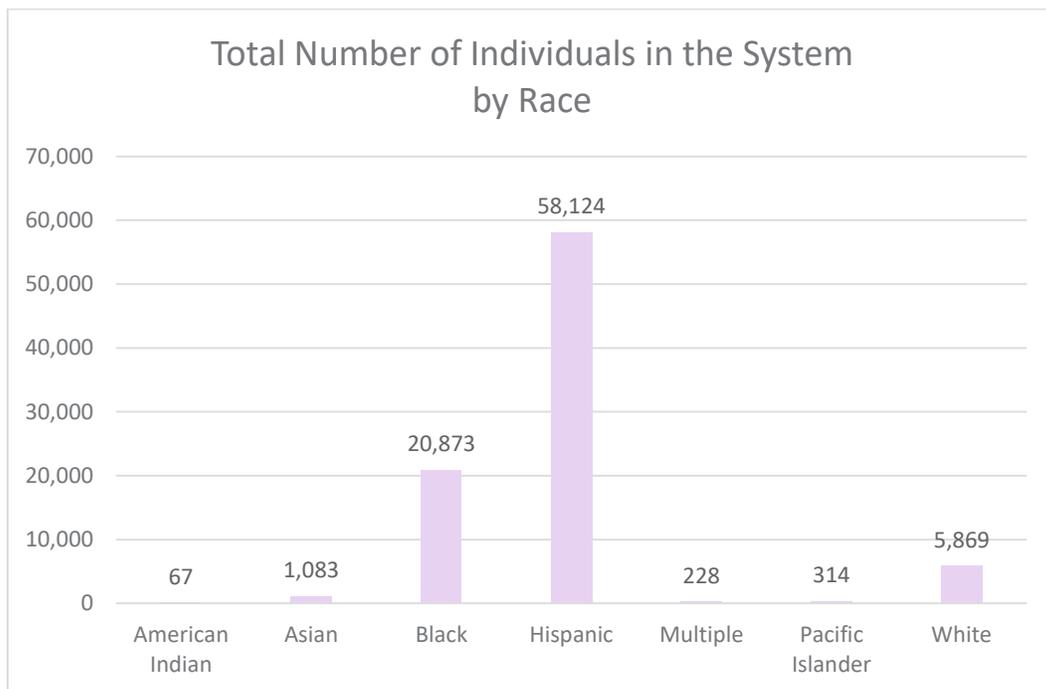
<b>Between November 1, 2017 - October 31, 2018, number of:</b>	<b>Count</b>
<b>Total records in CalGang</b>	<b>88,670</b>
<b>Persons added to CalGang</b>	<b>6,007</b>
<b>Total requests for removal made to law enforcement agencies</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Granted requests for removal made to law enforcement agencies</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Petitions for removal adjudicated, including their dispositions</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Individuals whose information was purged due to the expiration of the retention period</b>	<b>18,587</b>
<b>Times an agency did not provide notice or documentation because providing that notice would compromise an active criminal investigation</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Times an agency did not provide notice or documentation because providing that notice would compromise the health or safety of the designated minor</b>	<b>0</b>

Chart 1 illustrates the number of individuals in CalGang by gender:



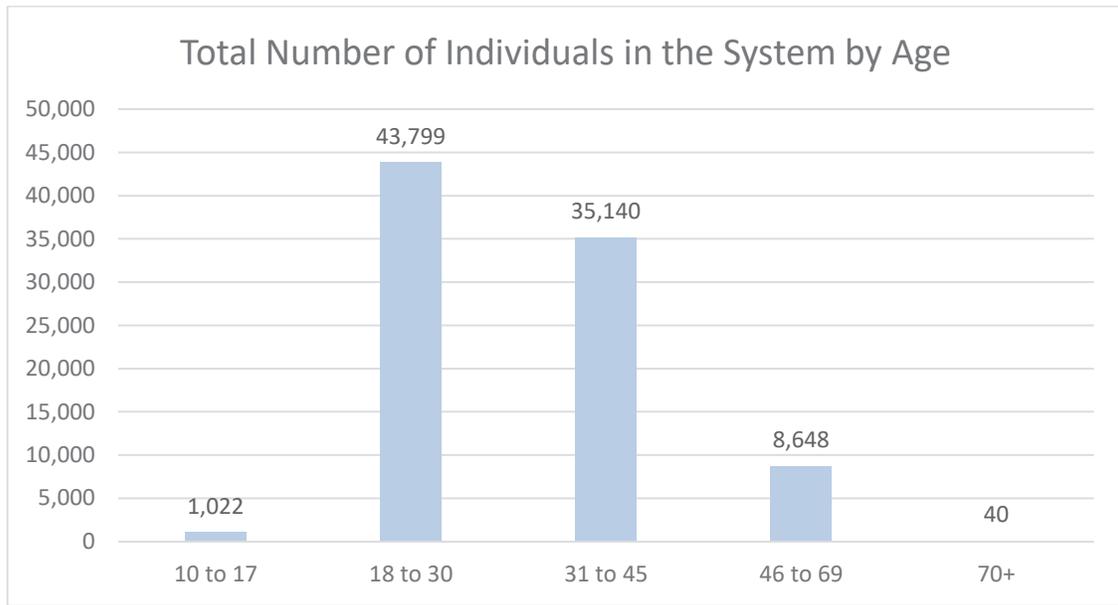
1 record with unreported gender

Chart 2 illustrates the number of individuals in CalGang by race and ethnicity:



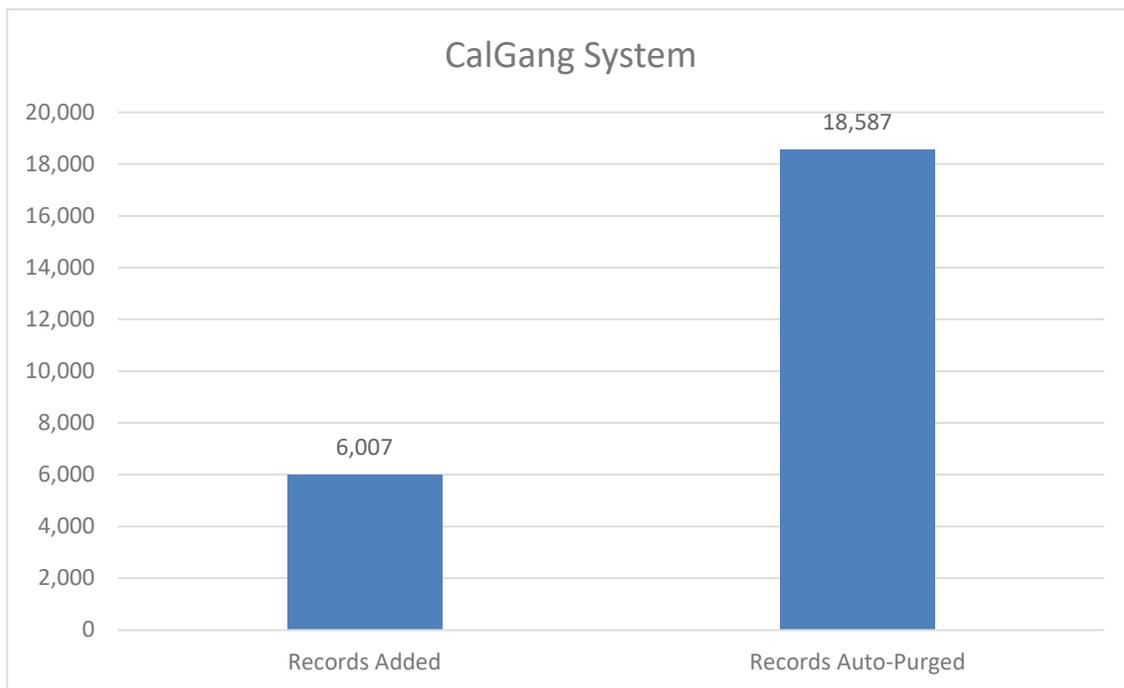
2,112 records with unreported race

Chart 3 illustrates the number of individuals in CalGang by age demographics:



21 records with unreported age

Chart 4 illustrates the number of records that were added to CalGang and the number of records purged from CalGang:



# DOJ CALGANG CONTEXT DOCUMENT

## Dataset Overview and History

The DOJ is responsible for the oversight of CalGang, the California shared gang database. Data is entered directly into CalGang by law enforcement officers to record and share gang intelligence information across the state. The data reported is an aggregation of individual-level information to provide a summary of certain data mandated for reporting on the Attorney General's webpage on an annual basis.

## Statutory Authority

Penal Code Section 186.36 grants the DOJ the statutory authority to collect CalGang data and to report annually on the information included in this dataset.

## Data Characteristics and Known Limitations

1. All values in the "Reporting Year" column reflect 2018, however, in order for DOJ to meet the mandated publication date, the table summarizes data captured during November 1, 2017 – October 31, 2018.
2. Data entered into CalGang between November 1 and December 31, 2017 was prior to the DOJ assuming its oversight responsibilities.
3. The value "Unreported" indicates the field was left blank or not provided by user agencies.
4. Approval or denial of court petitions are reflected in the year in which the petition was adjudicated. There may not be a one-to-one match for filing and outcome of a petition, as a petition may be filed in one year but not adjudicated until the following year.
5. The category "All" is not a sum of the agency's rows. The sum of each category for a selected agency will equal the total listed for that agency. For example, when you filter by the category "All" the total number of individuals entered by Alhambra Police Department is 41; thus, the total for each individual category (Age, Gender, Race) within Alhambra Police Department will equal 41.
6. Due to the method of entry into CalGang, it is possible for a unique individual to have multiple entries within the database. For example, a verified entry into the database is entered into a node (or region) by Law Enforcement Agency A and another distinct verified entry is entered into a different node by Law Enforcement Agency B. Both entries are valid and are counted as separate individuals; however, they correspond to one person. A verified entry means that there are two distinct criteria substantiating that unique entry.

## Data Elements and Values Defined

Cell Location	Data Element	Description/Definition	Value
A	Agency	Agency name	Alpha; California agency names
B	Reporting Year	Year data was reported	YYYY
C	Category	Reporting categories	All Age Gender Race Zip Code
D	Category Level	Category levels	ALL Totals AGE 10-17 18-30 31-45 46-69 70+ Unreported GENDER Female Male Unreported RACE American Indian Asian Black Hispanic Multiple Pacific Islander White Unreported
E	Total Individuals	Number of individuals entered by agency	Numeral count
F	Individuals Added	Number of individuals added during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
G	Requested Removal	Number of requests for removal received by law enforcement agency/Department during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count

H	Removal Granted	Number of requests for removal granted by law enforcement agency/Department in during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
I	Court Petition	Number of petitions to the court for removal adjudicated during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
J	Petition Approved	Number of petitions to the court for removal approved during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
K	Petition Denied	Number of petitions to the court for removal denied during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
L	Auto-Purged	Number of individuals removed by automatic purging due to expiration of the retention period during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
M	Manual Removal	Number of individuals manually deleted pursuant to review during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
N	Active Investigation	Number of times an agency did not provide notice or documentation due to an active investigation during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count
O	Minor Safety	Number of times an agency did not provide notice or documentation due to minor's health and safety concerns during the 2018 reporting period	Numeral count