

Table 314. Fraud and Identity Theft Consumer Complaints by State: 2006

[Rate per 100,000 population. As of December 31. Based on Census Bureau population estimates. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has developed and maintained a complaint data base called the Consumer Sentinel. This database collects information about consumer fraud and identity theft from the FTC and over 115 other organizations and makes it available to law enforcement. See appendices in the annual report for list of contributing organizations]

Consumer state	Fraud complaints		Identity theft victims		Consumer state	Fraud complaints		Identity theft victims	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate		Number	Rate	Number	Rate
U.S. ¹	374,907	125.2	239,313	79.9	MO	7,331	125.5	3,753	64.2
AL	4,708	102.4	2,774	60.3	MT	1,289	136.5	434	45.9
AK	1,079	161.0	384	57.3	NE	1,968	111.3	868	49.1
AZ	9,222	149.6	9,113	147.8	NV	4,222	169.2	2,994	120.0
AR	2,428	86.4	1,537	54.7	NH	1,964	149.4	606	46.1
CA	49,070	134.6	41,396	113.5	NJ	11,284	129.3	6,394	73.3
CO	7,657	161.1	4,395	92.5	NM	2,406	123.1	1,621	82.9
CT	4,695	134.0	2,305	65.8	NY	21,129	109.4	16,452	85.2
DE	1,119	131.1	569	66.7	NC	10,300	116.3	5,748	64.9
DC	1,139	195.9	765	131.5	ND	544	85.6	189	29.7
FL	25,902	143.2	17,780	98.3	OH	14,241	124.1	6,878	59.9
GA	11,941	127.5	8,084	86.3	OK	3,711	103.7	2,254	63.0
HI	2,020	157.1	615	47.8	OR	5,583	150.9	2,815	76.1
ID	2,012	137.2	718	49.0	PA	16,242	130.6	8,080	64.9
IL	13,908	108.4	10,080	78.6	RI	1,153	108.0	615	57.6
IN	7,863	124.5	3,928	62.2	SC	4,841	112.0	2,408	55.7
IA	2,666	89.4	1,041	34.9	SD	618	79.0	236	30.2
KS	3,068	111.0	1,626	58.8	TN	6,871	113.8	3,700	61.3
KY	4,477	106.4	1,766	42.0	TX	25,425	108.2	26,006	110.6
LA	3,981	92.8	2,256	52.6	UT	4,563	178.9	1,577	61.8
ME	1,791	135.5	525	39.7	VT	718	115.1	178	28.5
MD	8,653	154.1	4,656	82.9	VA	12,039	157.5	5,137	67.2
MA	7,333	113.9	4,102	63.7	WA	10,451	163.4	5,336	83.4
MI	11,665	115.5	6,784	67.2	WV	2,058	113.2	715	39.3
MN	5,860	113.4	2,872	55.6	WI	6,724	121.0	2,536	45.6
MS	2,318	79.6	1,494	51.3	WY	657	127.6	218	42.3

¹ Data represent only complaints from consumers in states listed in this table.

Source: U.S. Federal Trade Commission, *Consumer Fraud and Identity Theft complaint data, January–December 2006*. Issued February 2007. See also <<http://www.consumer.gov/sentinel/pubs/Top10Fraud2006.pdf>>.