



Alameda County Probation Department

Public Dataset Data Dictionary

Adult Field Services

Dataset Overview and Source

The Alameda County Probation Department (ACPD) collects and records information on its clients in the Tyler Supervision Case Management System (“Tyler Supervision”), which was implemented for Adult Field Services in January 2019, representing a significant improvement in the Department’s case management and data collection abilities. The reports contain individual-level information for all adults on the ACPD caseload on the date specified. To create this dataset, the report was de-identified and edited to include the most pertinent information.

Data Characteristics and Known Limitations

- To ensure confidentiality and to protect the identities of individuals on probation, the ages of some individuals in the dataset have been withheld, and marked “N/A”. This is done to avoid possible re-identification through the available demographic information, or stigmatization of a group when they make a substantial percent of a designated population. Please see the “Notes” tab in the public dataset file, which states the number of records with withheld ages in that dataset.
- Along with the upgrade of the Department’s case management system to Tyler Supervision, ACPD implemented a clean-up effort of data that was migrated from the previous system into Tyler Supervision. Due to the migration and data clean up, some fluctuation of population numbers is possible around the time of the conversion (early 2019) and for several months afterwards.
- The system upgrade in 2019 also included improvements to how clients and cases are recorded, tracked, categorized, and counted. Due to these improvements and the data clean-up efforts implemented along with the system change, the datasets from the previous system and the current system’s datasets are not comparable. Therefore, only datasets from the new system are publicly available.
- Individuals may be on more than one type of supervision at a time. In these cases, the following hierarchy is used to determine their case type for the purposes of this report:
 - Mandatory Supervision
 - Post Release Community Supervision
 - Formal Probation (Felony)
 - Formal Probation (Misdemeanor)

- The dataset includes all individuals with an open supervision case, including those in revoked status or with an outstanding warrant.
- The Department's previous data system had no built-in verification for address, city, or zip code. Therefore, address entries were subject to human error or allowed to be left blank. With the upgrade to Tyler Supervision, incorrectly entered or blank address entries will not be allowed. However, ACPD is undergoing a process to clean up the address data that was migrated to Tyler Supervision from the previous system. Until that clean-up is complete, the datasets will contain residential city information, but not zip codes or supervisory districts.

Definition of Terms

Age Group – age range the client was in on the date of report.

City – client's city of residence as reported at booking

Gender – gender of the client as recorded at booking.

Race Group – race group of client as recorded at booking.

African American – a person whose ancestry is any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Asian/Pacific Islander – a person whose ancestry can be identified as Asian Indian, Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Vietnamese, other Asian, Pacific Islander, Samoan, Guamanian, or Hawaiian.

Hispanic – a person of Mexico, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Central and South America or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.

American Indian – a person whose ancestry is any Native American tribe.

Other – a person who cannot be linked to any of the general or specific racial/ethnic groups listed.

White – a person whose ancestry is any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

Supervision Type – type of supervision case the individual is on at the time of the report

Formal Probation – A term of community supervision ordered by the court as all or part of an individual's sentence for a felony or misdemeanor conviction. An individual on formal probation is supervised by a probation officer and ordinarily must meet with the officer anywhere from once a week to once a month. A formal probation term in Alameda County is typically three to five years.

PRCS (Post Release Community Supervision) – A term of community supervision served by individuals released from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation after serving a prison commitment for non-serious, non-violent, or non-high-risk sex offenses (regardless of prior convictions). An individual on PRCS is supervised by a probation officer and serves a term of 12 to 36 months. Prior to the Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011 (AB109), the PRCS population was supervised by state parole.

Mandatory Supervision – A term of community supervision defined by Penal Code Section 1170(h). Individuals on Mandatory Supervision have been convicted of felony crimes that are

not eligible for incarceration in prison and instead are sentenced by the Court to serve their sentence in county jail or to “split” the sentence between jail custody and a separate period of Mandatory Supervision. An individual on Mandatory Supervision is supervised by a probation officer and serves a term determined by the Court.

Board of Supervisor District – Board of Supervisor (BOS) district information is available beginning in Q3 2020 and is based on mapping clients’ addresses to the corresponding Alameda County Supervisorial District.

Data Element and Values Defined

Position	Element	Definition	Codes
A	ID	Identification number unique to each individual	UID###
B	Age Group	The age group the individual falls into on the date of the report	18 – 25 26 – 35 36 – 45 46 – 55 56 – 65 66 -75 76 +
C	Gender	Gender recorded by booking officer at booking	Male Female
D	Race Group	Race recorded by booking officer at booking	African American Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic American Indian Other White
E	City	City of residence recorded by booking officer at booking	Name of city (if in Alameda County) Out of County (otherwise) Missing Unknown
F	Supervision Type	Type of supervision case the individual is on at the time of the report	Formal Probation (Felony) Formal Probation (Misdemeanor) PRCS Mandatory Supervision
G	Board of Supervisor District	Alameda County supervisorial district for Alameda County residents	1 2 3 4 5 Out of County Missing