"The heart and soul of every department's success, in its principal obligation of crime control, is first-rate crime analysis" -William "Bill" Bratton

International Association of CRIME ANALYSTS

What is Crime Analysis?

When you think about crime analysis, you may think of things like maps and statistical reports. However, crime analysis is about so much more; it's about the interpretation of data and the identification of patterns. Crime analysis is about providing context for what is happening in order to make recommendations on how to anticipate and disrupt crime trends, how best to deploy resources or how to identify likely suspects in ongoing criminal series.

Crime analysis is not just about technology. Sure, crime analysts may use technology, but many of the skills necessary to be a good analyst have nothing to do with computer applications.

Crime analysts require solid training and continued professional development. Just as sworn police officers must refresh their training and update their skills each year, analysts need to do the same. Attending inperson classes, viewing webinars online, studying tutorials on various topics or reading literature published by their peers are all methods by which they can fulfill their training needs.

The IACA has many resources available to assist analysts in continuing their education, whether they have many years of experience or are just starting out.





ABOUT THE IACA

The IACA is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) professional association comprised of criminal justice professionals, including working analysts, students, educators, researchers and private vendors. We have a common goal of furthering the field of crime analysis and the diversity of our membership provides many perspectives from which we can all learn more.

The IACA Executive Board and various committees are staffed by dedicated individuals who volunteer their time to improve the profession. We offer training, literature, networking and support, all for a nominal membership cost. Membership dues, proceeds from merchandise sales and training fees all contribute to supporting and expanding the programs we offer to our members

Currently, the IACA has close to 5,000 members from 70 countries. We are constantly striving to improve the services and resources available to our international members.

The IACA works to offer support to all regional crime analysis groups worldwide whenever possible. The IACA shares its technological resources and assets, in addition to offering discounted group membership rates.

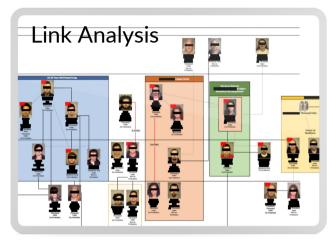
Demographic Characteristics Crime Mapping

What Resources are Available?

The IACA has an abundance of information on its website geared toward supporting fellow analysts as well as departments just starting out. There are sample work products, white papers, articles, software reviews, guides to help when hiring a new analyst, training class listings, job announcements and much, much more. Check it out today at www.iaca.net!

Crime analysis is not just for large agencies. Any department that experiences crime patterns or has to deal with hot spot locations or chronic problems, or that wants to maximize how it allocates its resources effectively can benefit.

There are ways to implement crime analysis at your agency, even if you are unable to justify a dedicated or full-time position to start with. The IACA can assist with developing a new crime analysis program, or can help you make use of existing resources if you already have a program in place.



Professional Training Series

The IACA's professional training series provides analysts with the skills they need, offering classes in tactical analysis, problem analysis, computer applications, crime mapping and more.

Certification

Our Certified Law Enforcement Analyst (CLEA) and LEAF (Law **Enforcement Analyst** Foundation) programs raise the bar in professional development and sets a high standard for working analysts.

Exploring Crime Analysis

Our book covers twenty important analytical skill and knowledge sets. It is authored by professionals in our field, including working analysts, leading academics and researchers.

Conferences

IACA holds annual training conferences in the United States, as well as international symposiums. We invite you to attend or send your analysts for outstanding opportunities for professional development.

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