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BJS RELEASES REPORTS ON STALKING AND FINANCIAL FRAUD

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics today released *Stalking Victimization, 2016.* This report details the demographic characteristics of stalking victims and describes the nature of stalking victimization, including the number of offenders, the victim-offender relationship and the frequency and duration of the stalking. The survey measured 12 types of stalking behaviors, incorporating both traditional stalking and stalking with technology.

BJS also released *Financial Fraud in the United States*, 2017. This report details the prevalence of seven types of personal financial fraud victimization and the patterns of reporting fraud to police and other authorities. It also contains the characteristics of personal financial fraud victims and describes the consequences resulting from fraud incidents.

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