Colorado’s IC3 2004 Internet Fraud – Crime Report

Complaint Characteristics

In 2004 IC3 referred at total of 1329 complaints from the state of Colorado.

Top 4 Complaint Categories from Colorado
Auction Fraud  62.8%  
Non Delivery of Merchandise /Payment  14.7%  
Credit Card Fraud  11.1%  
Check Fraud  1.7%  

Percent of Referrals by Monetary Loss
$.01 - $99.99  24.5%  
$100.00 - $999.99  47.4%  
$1000.00 - $4999.99  23.2%  
$5000.00 - $9999.99  4.9%  
The top dollar loss complaint involved counterfeit check and totaled $50000.00

Amount Lost by Fraud Type for Individuals Reporting Monetary Loss

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<th>Complaint Type</th>
<th>% who reported a loss</th>
<th>Median loss per complaint</th>
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<td>Auction Fraud</td>
<td>97.0%</td>
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<td>Non-delivery</td>
<td>94.5%</td>
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<td>Credit Card Fraud</td>
<td>95.5%</td>
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<td>88.2%</td>
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The total median dollar loss for all complaints reporting a dollar loss was $318.00.

Colorado Perpetrator Characteristics

Gender
Male  70.9%  
Female  29.1%  

Perpetrator Statistics within the United States
Per 100,000 population Colorado ranks 25th highest at 12.45 while ranking 23rd on total number of perpetrators identified as residing in Colorado. This total accounts for 1.3% of all complaints were the perpetrator was identified.
**Colorado Complainant Characteristics**

**Gender**
Male  68.4%
Female  31.6%

**Age Demographics**
Overall Average age  39.7
Male    39.4
Female   40.2

Complaint demographics
Under 20    2.4%
20-29       22.5%
30-39       26.4%
40-49       24.0%
50-59       18.4%
Over 60     6.3%

**Amount Lost Per Referred Complaint By Selected Complainant Demographics**
Under 20    $300.00
20-29       $359.34
30-39       $277.00
40-49       $325.00
50-59       $418.00
60 and older    $543.00

**Complainant Statistics within the United States**
Per 100,000 population Colorado ranks 4th highest at 39.47 while also ranking 15th on total number of complainants identified as residing in Colorado. This total accounts for 2.1% of all complainants in the United States.

**Complainant-Perpetrator Dynamics**

**From Same State as Complainant and the top three locations**

**Contact Method**
E-mail  59.7%
Webpage  29.2%
Phone    7.1%
Physical Mail  3.7%
Chatrooms  0.8%
Printed Material  0.8%
In Person  0.6%
Fax    0.1%