The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) currently performs searches for fingerprints and palmprints found at crime scenes (latent prints) using the Statewide Automated Biometric Identification System (SABIS).

Crime scene prints are compared to the DCJS Ten-print record database, which currently contains more than 10 million criminal and civil fingerprint records, including more than 650,000 palmprints. The database is updated whenever DCJS receives new records or changes to existing records, such as orders to seal cases.

Latent print cases are submitted to DCJS through two central locations in Albany and 14 other sites throughout the state. All latent images are evaluated by trained Latent Print Examiners to determine whether they are "suitable" – defined as having enough identifiable minutiae to launch a SABIS search.

After a SABIS search is performed, a Latent Print Examiner compares the results against the latent image that was submitted and determines if that image matches any of the prints identified through the search.

If a latent image is not identified, the image is added to the DCJS Unsolved Latent database. All new arrest and eligible civil records received by DCJS are automatically searched against this file daily to identify the latent image.
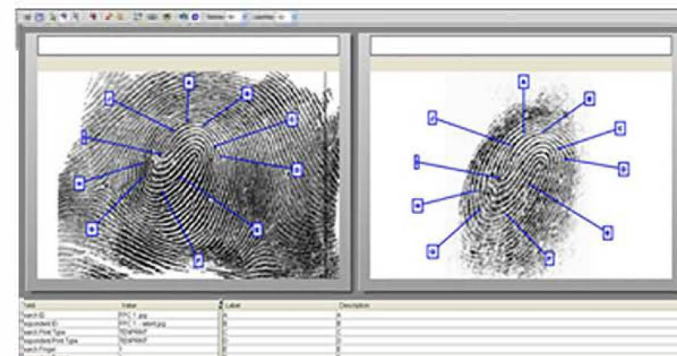
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Did You Know?

Law enforcement agencies can submit latent prints by mail or in person at a regional site or DCJS.

♦ Statewide, nearly 40,000 latent identifications have been made since 1989.

♦ Search results are usually available for review by examiners within minutes.

♦ Every day, an average of 1,500 new fingerprint cards are added to the state's database and all eligible prints are automatically searched against the state's unidentified latent print database.

♦ Newly entered latent prints can be searched directly against the DCJS Tenprint Record Database (fingers & palms) to determine the possibility of a serial offender in multiple jurisdictions.

♦ DCJS accesses latent print images maintained by the FBI through SABIS, which allows the agency to search more than 100,000 million criminal and civil records maintained by the federal agency.

Latent Print Services

Statewide Automated Biometric Identification System

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SABIS Regional Sites

Finger Lakes Region
Monroe Co. Sheriff's Office
130 Plymouth Ave. South
Rochester 14614
(585) 753-4777

Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences
100 Elizabeth Blackwell St.
Syracuse 13210
(315) 435-3800

Oneida Co. Sheriff's Office
6065 Judd Road
Oriskany 13424
(315) 765-2260

Central Sites - Albany
Division of Criminal Justice Services
Alfred E. Smith Building, Sixth Floor
80 S. Swan St.
Albany 12210
(518) 485-7686

New York State Police
Forensic Investigation Center
State Office Campus, Building 30
Albany 12226-3000
(518) 457-2468

Midstate Region
Syracuse Police Dept.
511 South State St.
Syracuse 13202
(315) 442-5281

Western Region
Erie Co. Central Police Services
45 Elm St., Second Floor
Buffalo 14203
(716) 858-6761

Hudson River West Region
Rockland Co. Sheriff's Office
55 New Hempstead Road
New City 10956
(845) 638-5440

Hudson River East Region
Westchester Dept. of Public Safety
2 Dana Road
Valhalla 10595
(914) 864-7834

Chautauqua Co. S.O.
15 East Chautauqua St.
Mayville 14757-0128
(716) 753-4932

Rochester Police Dept.
185 Exchange St.
Rochester 14614
(585) 428-1388

Suffolk County Region
Suffolk County Police Dept.
30 Yaphank Ave.
Yaphank 11980
(631) 852-6487

Binghamton Police Dept.
38 Hawley St.
Binghamton 13901
(607) 772-7078

New York City Region
New York City Police Dept.
1 Police Plaza
New York 10038
(646) 610-5890
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Richmond - Kings - Major Crimes

Nassau County Region
Nassau Co. Office of the Medical Examiner
1194 Prospect Ave.
Westbury 11540
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