

Background Screening Statistics

Crime In the Workplace

- 8.9% of all candidates have criminal records.
- 1 in 6 violent crimes occur in the workplace.
- About 2 million people are attacked or threatened in the workplace every year.
- 30% of all business failures are caused by employee theft.

Data Falsification

- 40% of all employment applications are falsified.
- 36% of past employment verifications had inconsistencies.
- 14% provided false or inconsistent information about their education.
- 8.1% provided false or inconsistent info about professional license certifications.
- 25.3% provided false or inconsistent military service information.
- 11% of job applicants misrepresented why they left a former employer.
- As many as 30% of job seekers exaggerate their accomplishments, and about 10% "seriously misrepresent" their background.

Drug Use

- 41.0% have motor vehicle violations including DUI's and possession of drugs.
- 4.1% test positively for drug use.
- 2% of physical exams determined potential restrictions of job functions.
- Some 12.3 million American workers use illicit drugs.

Business Losses

- The average business loses 10-15% of its volume each year to poor service.
- Employers lose almost 80% of all negligent hiring lawsuits.
- 41.2% of credit reports have negative information.
- 6.6% have filed a worker's compensation claim
- 6.7% were involved in civil litigation.