TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

"Experience in the collection of information on drug supply "

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MAIN AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPLY STATISTICS IN THE COUNTRY

The Crime and Problem Analysis (**CAPA**) Branch is a department in the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service, responsible for data collection. As it stands, the CAPA Branch consists of two sections, the Crime Records and Information Section (CRIS) and the Crime Analysis Section (CAS).

- ❑ **The Crime Records and Information Section (CRIS)**

    - ▪ Focuses on data collection.

- ❑ **The Crime Analysis Section (CAS)**

    - ▪ Collation, analysis and dissemination of intelligence.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAPA

To compile, organize and review raw data from crime reports and other sources;
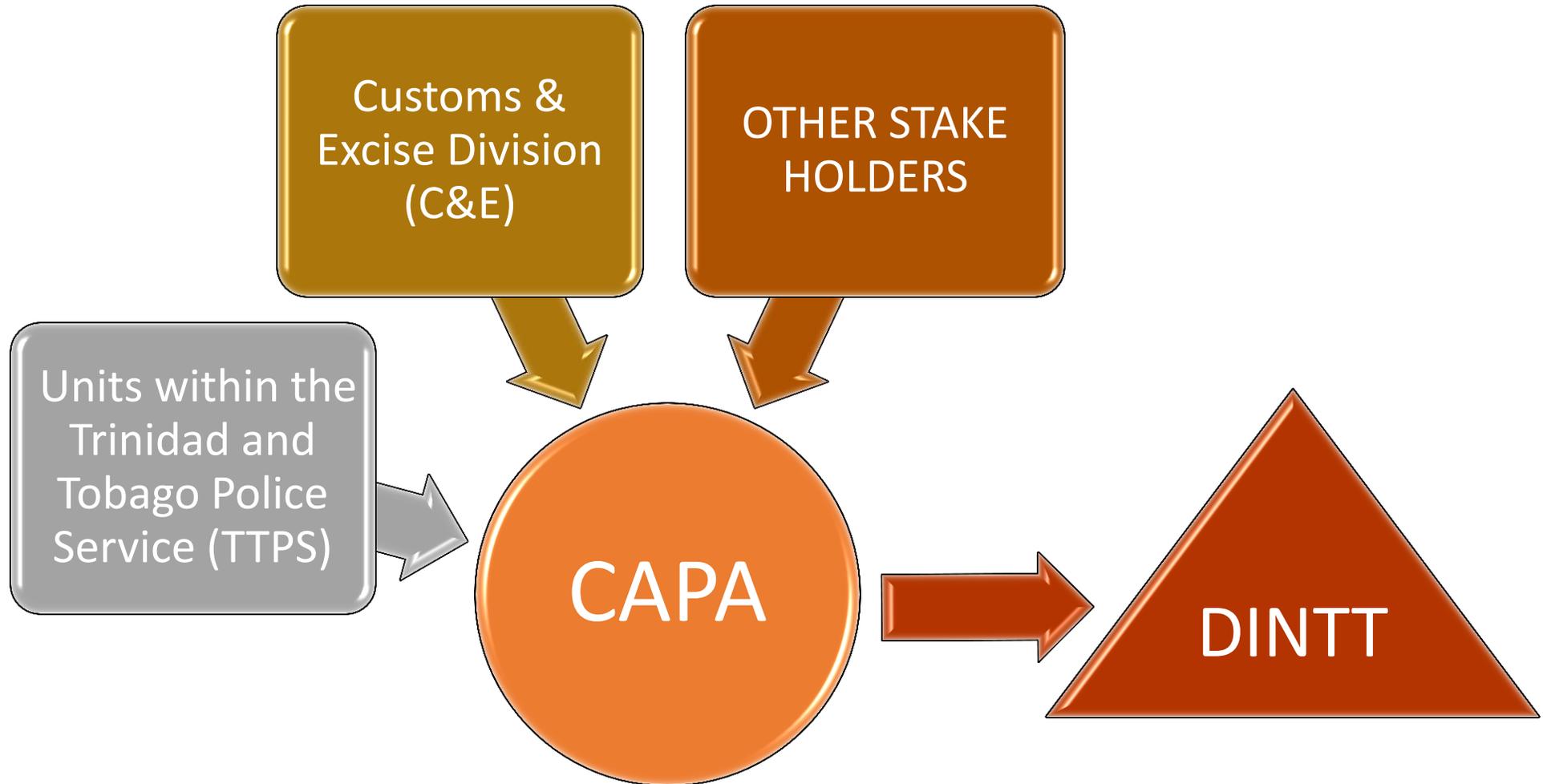
To enter raw data into appropriate databases and generate statistical reports;

To review, analyze, investigate and integrate statistical information determine and make conclusions about patterns, trends, "hot spots", suspects, etc.;

To assign, plan, organize and conduct special crime and related statistical studies and projects;

MAIN AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPLY STATISTICS IN THE COUNTRY

Supply statistics are gleaned from various sources and fed to CAPA, who later transmits to the DINTT

OTHER AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE SUPPLY STATISTICS

- Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service

- Trinidad and Tobago Forensics Science Centre, Ministry of National Security

- Immigration Division, Ministry of National Security

- Financial Intelligence Unit, Ministry of Finance

Supply data from CAPA and all the other agencies are submitted to the Drug Observatory. The Tables below highlight the type of supply data and indicators currently captured by the DIN-TT using the CICAD Standardized Indicators as the basis for comparison.

TYPE OF SUPPLY DATA CURRENTLY COLLECTED STANDARD INDICATORS

Indicator Group	CICAD Indicator	DIN-TT
Standard Indicators		
Drug Seizures	Quantity of each drug seized	√
	Number of drug seizures	√
	Settings where the operations occurred	√
	Country of Origin	√
	Country of Destination	√
Arrests for Drug Offenses	Number of persons arrested for drug possession, trafficking.	√
	Type of drug	√
	Number of persons arrested for intent to supply	
	Other drug offenses as specified in domestic laws	√
Prosecutions for Drug Offenses	Number of persons tried for drug trafficking, possession	√
	Number of persons convicted	√

TYPE OF SUPPLY DATA CURRENTLY COLLECTED
STANDARD INDICATORS-CHALLENGING TO COLLECT

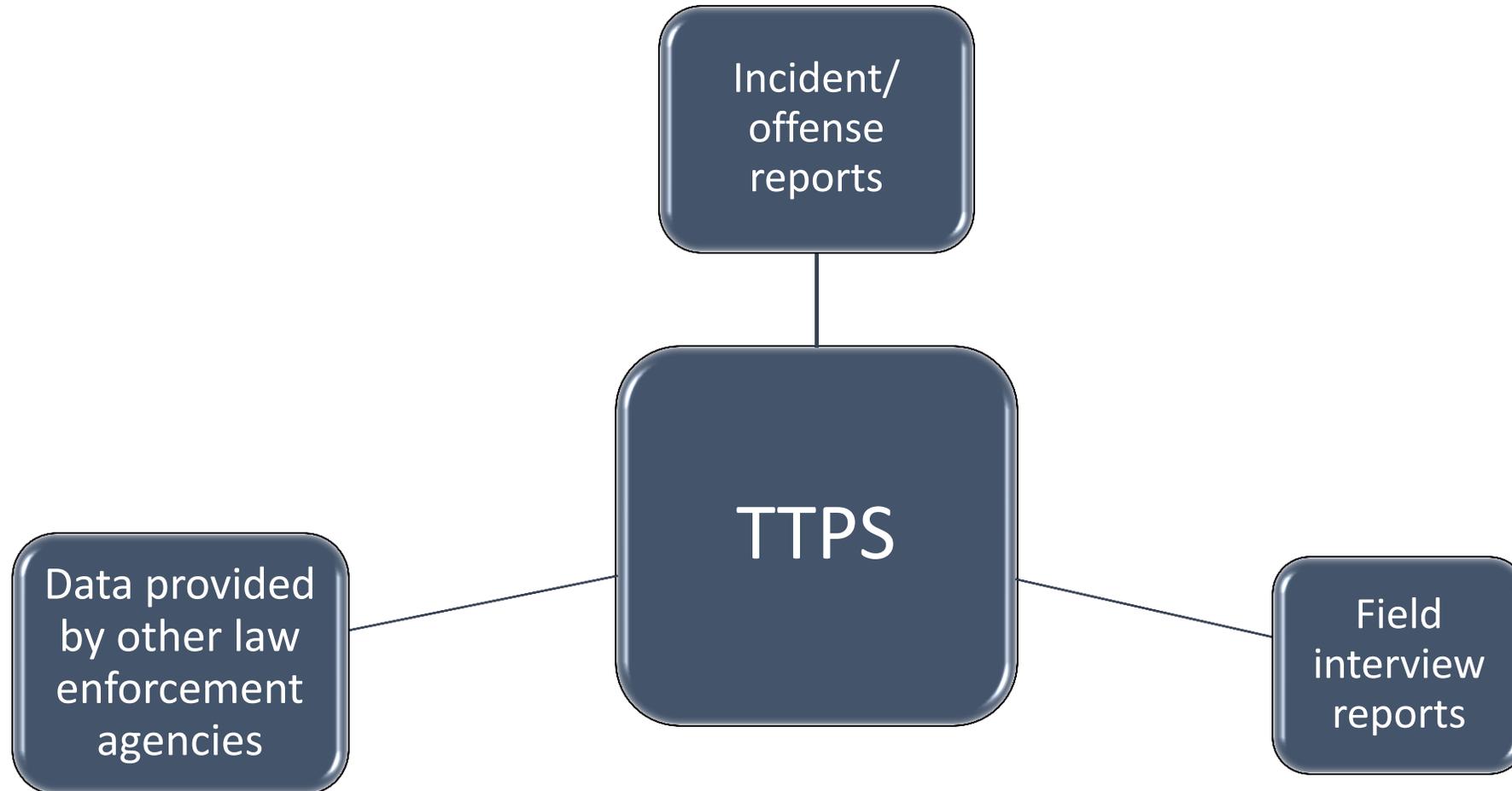| Indicator Group	CICAD Indicator	DIN-TT
Standard Indicators- Challenging to Collect		
Drug Price	Price in dollars (by drug) (Local currency or US$ equivalent)	Price is given by OCIU for their Seizures but not from CAPA for the totals provided to the Drug Observatory.
	Factors influencing changes in drug prices	
Other Seizures Related to Drug Offenses	Firearm seizures	✓
	Money seizures	
	Building seizures	
	Vehicles seizures	
Illicit Drug Production	Measures of the level of production of drugs	
	Drug crop areas discovered and destroyed	✓
	Quantity of Seized precursors	With the introduction of the EWS, this will be captured in 2019
	Number of illicit laboratories discovered	

TYPE OF SUPPLY DATA CURRENTLY COLLECTED OPTIONAL INDICATORS

Indicator Group	CICAD Indicator	DIN-TT
Optional Indicators		
Drug-Related Crime	Characterization of the relationship between drugs and crime (Survey).	
Purity of Drugs	Degree of purity of drugs seized	√
Number of Deportees Related to Drug Offenses	Number of people who are deported for illegal drug problems in foreign countries	√
Suspicious Activity Reports (from Financial Intelligence Units)	Number of suspicious activity reports	√
	Number of suspicious activity reports related to drugs	√
Arrests for Money Laundering	Number of persons arrested for money laundering	
	Number of persons arrested for money laundering related to drugs	

THE METHODS USED TO GATHER DATA

To date Standardized Data Collection Forms have been created by the Drug Observatory to ease with the data collection process. Agencies submit either monthly or quarterly to the Drug Observatory. For example, below shows the data capture form used by OCIU, which is submitted every month to the Drug Observatory.

DRUG INFORMATION NETWORK TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO													
TYPE OF DATA: NARCOTIC SEIZURE													
REPORTING INSTITUTION: ORGANISED CRIME INTELLIGENCE UNIT (OCIU)													
CONTACT INFORMATION FOR INSTITUTION:													
MONTH:													
YEAR:													
DATE	TIME	LOCATION OF SEIZURE	STATION	DIVISION	NARCOTIC	WEIGHT (kgs)	PRICE	SEIZED/ FOUND	DESCRIPTION OF HOW OBTAINED	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	AGE OF PERSON CHARGED	ADDRESS OF PERSON CHARGED

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THE TYPES OF ANALYSIS THAT ARE PERFORMED

1. **Tactical Analysis** - The analysis of data is used to promote a quick response in field situations to assist the supervisor in making strategic decisions and deploying personnel in response to specific reports of crime.

2. **Strategic Analysis** - This approach is concerned with real-time analysis of the activities of criminal behaviour and extrapolating projections of long-term increases or decreases in crime. It also includes the preparation of statistical summaries of crime, often referred to as exception reports.

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3. **Administrative Analysis** - This approach focuses on the provision of economic, geographic or social information to administrators (e.g. reports to Government, Borough and City Council, Central Statistical Office etc.).

4. **Intelligence Analysis:** The purpose of Intelligence Analysis is to assist sworn personnel in the understanding of current criminal networks and apprehension of individuals to subsequently prevent criminal activity.

TYPES OF REPORTS PRODUCED

- DIN-TT Annual Reports

- DIN-TT Newsletters

- CAPA Reports (Weekly, Monthly and Annually)

- CAPA Newsletters

HOW IS THIS INFORMATION USED BY STAKEHOLDERS

- Aids in the Creation of Intelligence Products
- Provides data to aid future planning and decision making
- Facilitates inter-agency coordination and communication
- Identifies areas that require immediate attention

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