

Call for Participation:

The FBI Laboratory is conducting web-based questionnaires to gather information on the use of metal detectors and advance geophysical methods (such as ground penetrating radar (GPR), magnetometry, electrical resistivity and more) to search for hidden or buried targets (clandestine graves, weapons, etc.) in criminal investigations. The intent of these questionnaires is to better understand how geophysical methods are deployed for law enforcement investigations and how effective the method was under case specific conditions.

- **Metal Detectors use in Crime Scene Investigations-** Target participants: Law enforcement personnel or organizations who have used of hand-held metal detectors in criminal investigations. (<https://govsurvey.us/survey/809910645015576577>)
- **Law Enforcement use of Geophysical Methods-** Target participants: Law enforcement personnel or organization who have engaged with external experts (including geotechnical firms, academic or government scientists) to conduct geophysical surveys for one or more criminal investigations. (<https://govsurvey.us/survey/806500985499025409>)
- **Geophysical Service Providers in Support of Law Enforcement-** Target participants: Persons (such as academic or government scientists, private contractors and/or law enforcement personnel) who have conducted one or more geophysical surveys for criminal investigations. (<https://govsurvey.us/survey/808748715106959361>)

Please participate in any of these three questionnaires and share these web links with any associates with relevant experience. If you have any concerns or to clarify the purpose of this study, reach out to geophysics@fbi.gov. These questionnaires are *anonymized* and providing personal information is *optional*. Participation in the questionnaires will close in February 2024.