

## Appriss Insights, an Equifax Company, Launches Enhancements to Background Screening Tools CrimSmart<sup>™</sup> and TraceSmart<sup>™</sup>

Enhancements Designed to Provide a More Robust and Streamlined Solution for CRAs

ATLANTA, Aug. 22, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- Appriss Insights, an Equifax® (NYSE: EFX) company, has launched enhancements to its CrimSmart™ and TraceSmart™ products, which are solutions designed to help background screening firms provide faster results and reduce dead-end investigations, shrink coverage gaps, and expand address history data used by background screeners.



"CrimSmart and TraceSmart are changing how the background screening industry gathers and optimizes national-criminal and address history data," said Brian Matthews, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Appriss Insights, an Equifax company. "These next-generation products and their unique features lead to faster results and fewer dead-end investigations. They are innovative, data-driven solutions that will help background screeners make better decisions."

CrimSmart is a national criminal pointer solution that provides traditional criminal records alongside Appriss Insights' incarceration records. The solution's algorithm helps point background screening firms to criminal records they may typically ignore during the background screening process due to lack of available matching identifiers. Background screeners engaged in early testing with CrimSmart have identified up to 13% more high-confidence records per search.

TraceSmart produces a measurable lift compared to traditional address history solutions. Unlike conventional pointer products, TraceSmart delivers incarceration records apart from traditional address trace information, allowing background screeners to potentially uncover additional jurisdictions where further research is warranted. Early adopters of TraceSmart have reported up to 30% more high-confidence jurisdiction matches per search.

The CrimSmart and TraceSmart enhancements include newly released individual filtering options that allow background screeners to customize the kind of information they receive from search results to help drive more efficient decisions. Each product is a stand-alone solution, but they are most effective when implemented as a bundled pair that forms a comprehensive name and jurisdiction development solution.

Both CrimSmart and TraceSmart are available to background screening firms. Learn more about how Appriss Insights data supports background screeners at the <u>Appriss Insights</u> website.

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