

Table 1.50.2003

Nonlethal weapons authorized for use by sworn personnel in sheriffs' offices

By size of population served, United States, 2003

Population served	Percent of agencies authorizing:													
	Chemical agents--personal use				Batons				Other weapons/actions					
	Any type listed in survey	Pepper spray	Tear gas	CS	Any type listed in survey	Collapsible	Traditional	PR-24	Soft projectile	Electrical devices <sup>a</sup>	Rubber bullet	Holds/neck restraints	Black-jack	High intensity light
All sizes	96%	96%	21%	19%	92%	87%	44%	34%	32%	30%	12%	11%	3%	1%
1,000,000 or more	100	100	23	27	100	100	69	31	73	46	31	39	15	0
500,000 to 999,999	100	100	20	19	98	92	48	38	51	58	20	17	0	0
250,000 to 499,999	100	100	27	16	98	90	50	44	46	41	16	14	3	1
100,000 to 249,999	99	98	21	22	94	92	43	27	48	43	16	9	0	0
50,000 to 99,999	98	98	32	25	93	92	56	36	55	49	22	8	1	0
25,000 to 49,999	98	98	18	19	91	86	43	35	31	23	12	10	2	1
10,000 to 24,999	97	97	19	18	91	87	40	32	22	24	9	14	4	2
Less than 10,000	90	90	17	14	88	80	41	34	17	23	6	10	7	2

Note: See Note, table 1.0001.2003.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Sheriffs' Offices, 2003*, NCJ 211361 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2006), p. 26, Table 57.

<sup>a</sup>Includes hand-held direct contact devices (such as stun gun) and hand-held stand-off devices (such as taser).