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Number and rate (per 1,000 inhabitants) of full-time law enforcement employees^a

By geographic division and population group, on Oct. 31, 2004

(2004 estimated population)

Geographic region and division	Total (10,822 cities; population 185,926,671)	Population group					
		Group I (69 cities, 250,000 and over; population 52,558,631)	Group II (174 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 26,030,515)	Group III (409 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 28,064,440)	Group IV (785 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 27,052,123)	Group V (1,783 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 28,246,568)	Group VI (7,602 cities, under 10,000; population 23,974,394)
Total cities: 10,822 cities; population 185,926,671:							
Number of employees	559,566	199,331	64,358	64,078	61,980	68,725	101,094
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.0	3.8	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	4.2
Northeast: 2,297 cities; population 42,803,832:							
Number of employees	147,707	66,146	9,913	15,160	18,540	19,375	18,573
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.5	6.0	3.3	2.5	2.4	2.2	3.1
New England: 767 cities; population 12,575,681:							
Number of employees	32,731	2,673	4,754	5,785	6,830	7,261	5,428
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.6	4.6	3.3	2.4	2.3	2.2	3.0
Middle Atlantic: 1,530 cities; population 30,228,151:							
Number of employees	114,976	63,473	5,159	9,375	11,710	12,114	13,145
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.8	6.1	3.2	2.6	2.4	2.2	3.2
Midwest: 3,243 cities; population 43,612,502:							
Number of employees	118,300	34,515	10,216	14,556	16,200	19,296	23,517
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.7	4.2	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.2	3.1
East North Central: 2,021 cities; population 30,785,159:							
Number of employees	86,640	27,108	6,852	10,657	12,459	14,267	15,297
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.8	4.5	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.3	3.2
West North Central: 1,222 cities; population 12,827,343:							
Number of employees	31,660	7,407	3,364	3,899	3,741	5,029	8,220
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.5	3.4	2.3	1.8	2.0	2.2	3.1
South: 3,948 cities; population 53,839,648:							
Number of employees	185,073	51,187	25,883	20,281	17,432	23,198	47,092
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.4	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	5.9
South Atlantic: 1,740 cities; population 22,271,779:							
Number of employees	88,208	21,154	13,479	11,113	8,553	11,154	22,755
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	4.0	4.4	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.3	7.2
East South Central: 941 cities; population 9,130,741:							
Number of employees	32,936	7,402	4,395	1,994	3,865	5,109	10,171
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.6	3.1	3.6	3.1	2.9	3.1	5.3
West South Central: 1,267 cities; population 22,437,128:							
Number of employees	63,929	22,631	8,009	7,174	5,014	6,935	14,166
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.6	5.0
West: 1,334 cities; population 45,670,689:							
Number of employees	108,486	47,483	18,346	14,081	9,808	6,856	11,912
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.4	2.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.1	4.6
Mountain: 578 cities; population 13,946,410:							
Number of employees	36,765	15,164	6,262	3,926	3,150	2,735	5,528
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.5	4.3
Pacific: 756 cities; population 31,724,279:							
Number of employees	71,721	32,319	12,084	10,155	6,658	4,121	6,384
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	2.3	2.6	1.8	1.8	1.8	2.0	4.9
Suburban areas:^b 7,337 agencies; population 119,055,079:							
Number of employees	442,649	X	X	X	X	X	X
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	3.7	X	X	X	X	X	X
County:^c 3,432 agencies; population 92,506,392:							
Number of employees	411,022	X	X	X	X	X	X
Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants	4.4	X	X	X	X	X	X

Note: These data are collected annually by the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Program. "Full-time law enforcement employees" includes both law enforcement officers and civilian employees. Law enforcement officers include all "full-time, sworn personnel with full arrest powers." This excludes persons performing guard or protection duties (e.g., school crossing guards) who are not paid from police funds. "Civilian employees" includes persons such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, and mechanics. Persons not paid from police funds are excluded. Employees on leave with pay also are excluded. (U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 1984), pp. 71, 72.) These data are for employees who were on the payroll on Oct. 31, 2004. For a list of States in geographic divisions, see [Appendix 3](#).

^aIncludes civilians.

^bIncludes law enforcement agencies in cities with less than 50,000 inhabitants and county law enforcement agencies that are within a Metropolitan Statistical Area; excludes all metropolitan agencies associated with a principal city. The agencies associated with suburban areas also will appear in other groups within this table.

^cIncludes both metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2004* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2005), p. 371.