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Local police departments, and number and rate (per 100,000 residents) of full-time employees

By State, 2008

State	Number of agencies	Full-time employees			
		Total		Sworn personnel	
		Number	Per 100,000 residents	Number	Per 100,000 residents
United States, total	12,501	593,013	195	461,063	151
Alabama	309	9,652	206	7,314	156
Alaska	42	1,262	183	793	115
Arizona	96	14,998	231	10,518	162
Arkansas	252	5,101	178	3,924	137
California	341	55,900	153	39,692	109
Colorado	165	9,221	187	6,881	139
Connecticut	120	8,094	231	6,668	190
Delaware	36	1,413	161	1,188	136
District of Columbia	1	4,647	788	3,742	634
Florida	270	31,563	171	22,506	122
Georgia	366	16,238	167	12,947	134
Hawaii	4	3,604	280	2,807	218
Idaho	71	1,952	128	1,498	98
Illinois	701	33,743	263	28,358	221
Indiana	361	9,432	148	7,881	123
Iowa	284	3,956	132	3,284	110
Kansas	230	5,400	193	4,191	150
Kentucky	243	5,571	130	4,713	110
Louisiana	250	7,824	176	6,318	142
Maine	117	2,011	152	1,592	121
Maryland	86	12,590	222	10,494	185
Massachusetts	314	16,530	253	13,703	209
Michigan	455	13,515	135	11,408	114
Minnesota	346	7,291	139	5,947	114
Mississippi	220	5,322	181	3,960	135
Missouri	430	12,766	214	9,810	165
Montana	54	1,024	106	802	83
Nebraska	123	2,603	146	2,111	118
Nevada	38	6,885	263	4,497	172
New Hampshire	187	2,941	222	2,322	176
New Jersey	476	26,801	309	21,875	252
New Mexico	89	4,143	209	2,882	145
New York	391	72,380	372	54,145	278
North Carolina	350	15,197	164	11,933	129
North Dakota	54	773	121	629	98
Ohio	678	20,755	180	16,944	147
Oklahoma	354	7,086	194	5,538	152
Oregon	129	4,848	128	3,640	96
Pennsylvania	965	21,691	173	19,122	152
Rhode Island	39	2,783	264	2,258	214
South Carolina	184	6,153	137	4,934	110
South Dakota	80	1,194	148	900	112
Tennessee	251	10,986	176	8,620	138
Texas	788	45,550	187	34,610	142
Utah	90	3,482	128	2,653	97
Vermont	50	746	120	587	95
Virginia	171	13,808	177	10,947	140
Washington	204	8,767	134	6,635	101
West Virginia	159	1,662	92	1,427	79
Wisconsin	429	10,149	180	8,171	145
Wyoming	58	1,010	190	744	140

Note: These data are from the 2008 Census of State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies. The data were collected for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics by the U.S. Census Bureau. The 2008 Census included all State and local agencies employing at least one full-time sworn officer (or the equivalent in part-time officers) with general arrest powers. The reference date for all data was Sept. 30, 2008. The final database includes responses from 12,501 general purpose local police departments, 3,063 sheriffs' offices, 50 primary State police departments, 1,733 special jurisdiction police agencies, and 638 other agencies, primarily county constable offices in Texas.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Census of State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies, 2008*, Bulletin NCJ 233982 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, July 2011), p. 16.