

Table 1.46.2003

**Average base minimum and maximum annual salaries for selected positions in sheriffs' offices**

By size of population served, United States, 2003

Population served	Average base starting salary <sup>a</sup>					
	Entry-level deputy		Sergeant or equivalent		Sheriff	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
All sizes	\$26,300	\$32,200	\$32,800	\$38,500	\$54,500	\$59,800
1,000,000 or more	38,800	54,500	56,200	70,000	119,300	135,100
500,000 to 999,999	35,000	51,200	51,000	62,900	96,700	111,000
250,000 to 499,999	32,000	44,400	43,700	55,500	84,200	96,700
100,000 to 249,999	30,000	39,800	39,600	50,200	71,600	81,200
50,000 to 99,999	28,400	36,100	35,100	43,700	62,000	68,500
25,000 to 49,999	25,800	30,700	31,400	36,000	53,500	57,800
10,000 to 24,999	24,900	29,400	30,200	34,200	49,300	52,800
Less than 10,000	23,300	26,200	28,000	30,900	37,000	40,000

Note: See Notes, tables [1.0001.2003](#) and [1.45.2003](#).

<sup>a</sup>Computations of average salary exclude agencies with no full-time employees in that position.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Sheriffs' Offices, 2003*, NCJ 211361 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2006), p. 11, Table 20.