

Table 1.50

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

By size of population served, United States, 2000

Population served	Percent of agencies authorizing:														
	Chemical agents--personal use				Batons				Other weapons/actions						
	Any type listed in survey	Pepper spray	CS	Tear gas	Any type listed in survey	Collapsible	PR-24	Traditional	Flash/bang grenade	Soft projectile	Electrical devices ^a	Choke/carotid hold ^b	Rubber bullet	Black-jack	Capture net
All sizes	89%	88%	4%	4%	84%	73%	34%	32%	23%	10%	10%	8%	5%	2%	(c)
1,000,000 or more	85	85	0	3	88	65	25	54	44	22	32	25	12	6	3%
500,000 to 999,999	93	90	9	3	90	78	34	29	44	18	15	15	3	0	0
250,000 to 499,999	84	84	1	0	88	80	49	38	48	28	22	13	11	0	1
100,000 to 249,999	93	91	5	3	89	76	33	37	43	17	14	9	12	2	(c)
50,000 to 99,999	93	93	5	3	90	85	38	41	38	11	9	3	4	1	0
25,000 to 49,999	93	92	6	5	86	76	38	32	30	13	8	5	6	1	0
10,000 to 24,999	86	85	3	3	82	73	31	28	11	4	10	8	2	2	1
Less than 10,000	84	84	3	6	77	62	30	30	6	9	8	9	4	3	0

Note: See Note, table 1.33.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Sheriffs' Offices 2000*, NCJ 196534 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, 2003), p. 19, Table 39.

^aIncludes hand-held direct contact devices (such as stun gun) and hand-held stand-off devices (such as taser).

^bIncludes neck restraints.

^cLess than 0.5%.