

Table 1.66

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

By geographic division and population group, on Oct. 31, 2002

(2002 estimated population)

| Geographic region and division | Total (10,653 cities; population 182,456,027) | Population group | | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | Group I (70 cities, 250,000 and over; population 52,879,728) | Group II (162 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 24,457,039) | Group III (389 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 26,808,264) | Group IV (760 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 26,374,112) | Group V (1,763 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 27,930,903) | Group VI (7,509 cities, under 10,000; population 24,005,981) |
| Total cities: 10,653 cities; population 182,456,027: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 558,892 | 205,573 | 61,739 | 62,203 | 61,343 | 68,513 | 99,521 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.1 | 3.9 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 4.1 |
| Northeast: 2,325 cities; population 42,246,114: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 147,425 | 67,114 | 9,530 | 14,657 | 18,533 | 19,439 | 18,152 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.5 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.9 |
| New England: 758 cities; population 12,313,029: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 32,668 | 2,771 | 4,785 | 5,904 | 6,782 | 7,061 | 5,365 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.7 | 4.6 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.9 |
| Middle Atlantic: 1,567 cities; population 29,933,085: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 114,757 | 64,343 | 4,745 | 8,753 | 11,751 | 12,378 | 12,787 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.8 | 6.3 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 3.0 |
| Midwest: 3,150 cities; population 44,086,006: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 123,219 | 39,035 | 10,372 | 14,069 | 16,067 | 19,597 | 24,079 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.8 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 3.2 |
| East North Central: 1,991 cities; population 31,512,235: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 91,525 | 31,322 | 7,334 | 10,367 | 12,012 | 14,769 | 15,721 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.9 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 3.3 |
| West North Central: 1,159 cities; population 12,573,771: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 31,694 | 7,713 | 3,038 | 3,702 | 4,055 | 4,828 | 8,358 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 3.1 |
| South: 3,811 cities; population 51,582,556: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 179,869 | 51,682 | 24,250 | 19,352 | 17,038 | 22,440 | 45,107 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.5 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 5.8 |
| South Atlantic: 1,660 cities; population 20,995,073: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 83,945 | 21,293 | 12,207 | 11,094 | 7,654 | 10,254 | 21,443 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 4.0 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 7.1 |
| East South Central: 941 cities; population 8,764,850: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 32,425 | 6,860 | 4,348 | 2,045 | 3,551 | 5,480 | 10,141 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.7 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 5.2 |
| West South Central: 1,210 cities; population 21,822,633: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 63,499 | 23,529 | 7,695 | 6,213 | 5,833 | 6,706 | 13,523 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 4.9 |
| West: 1,367 cities; population 44,541,351: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 108,379 | 47,742 | 17,587 | 14,125 | 9,705 | 7,037 | 12,183 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 4.6 |
| Mountain: 593 cities; population 13,392,422: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 35,833 | 14,733 | 5,979 | 3,552 | 2,968 | 2,915 | 5,686 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 4.3 |
| Pacific: 774 cities; population 31,148,929: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 72,546 | 33,009 | 11,608 | 10,573 | 6,737 | 4,122 | 6,497 |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 2.3 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 4.8 |
| Suburban areas: ^b 6,528 agencies; population 108,747,307: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 418,093 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 3.8 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| County: ^c 3,328 agencies; population 88,784,510: | | | | | | | |
| Number of employees | 398,610 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Average number of employees per 1,000 inhabitants | 4.5 | 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, 2002. 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 central city. The agencies associated with suburban areas also will appear in other groups within this table.
^cIncludes both suburban and rural counties.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2002* (Washington, DC: USGPO, 2003), p. 324.