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Full-time law enforcement employees

By sex and population group, on Oct. 31, 2008

(2008 estimated population)

Population group	Total police employees			Police officers (sworn)			Civilian employees		
	Total	Percent male	Percent female	Total	Percent male	Percent female	Total	Percent male	Percent female
Total agencies: 14,169 agencies; population 286,237,461	1,024,228	72.8%	27.2%	708,569	88.1%	11.9%	315,659	38.4%	61.6%
Total cities: 10,915 cities; population 193,548,068	581,504	75.0	25.0	449,896	88.1	11.9	131,608	30.2	69.8
Group I 75 cities, 250,000 and over; population 55,781,739	203,685	70.9	29.1	156,445	83.0	17.0	47,240	30.8	69.2
10 cities, 1,000,000 and over; population 25,543,437	109,612	69.5	30.5	84,091	81.8	18.2	25,521	29.2	70.8
24 cities, 500,000 to 999,999; population 16,218,619	54,659	73.5	26.5	42,616	84.0	16.0	12,043	36.4	63.6
41 cities, 250,000 to 499,999; population 14,019,683	39,414	71.2	28.8	29,738	85.2	14.8	9,676	28.2	71.8
Group II 189 cities, 100,000 to 249,999; population 27,940,012	69,458	72.8	27.2	52,273	88.1	11.9	17,185	26.3	73.7
Group III 437 cities, 50,000 to 99,999; population 29,817,070	68,260	75.9	24.1	52,341	90.5	9.5	15,919	27.8	72.2
Group IV 807 cities, 25,000 to 49,999; population 27,597,191	64,319	77.8	22.2	50,650	91.4	8.6	13,669	27.2	72.8
Group V 1,807 cities, 10,000 to 24,999; population 28,634,261	69,817	79.1	20.9	55,767	92.2	7.8	14,050	26.9	73.1
Group VI 7,600 cities, under 10,000; population 23,777,795	105,965	79.2	20.8	82,420	91.3	8.7	23,545	37.1	62.9
Metropolitan counties 1,201 agencies; population 65,844,305	308,179	69.1	30.9	179,079	86.4	13.6	129,100	45.1	54.9
Nonmetropolitan counties 2,053 agencies; population 26,845,088	134,545	71.8	28.2	79,594	92.0	8.0	54,951	42.5	57.5
Suburban areas^a 7,412 agencies; population 121,966,483	475,575	72.5	27.5	309,689	88.5	11.5	165,886	42.6	57.4

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, jailers, and mechanics. Persons not paid from police funds are excluded. Employees on leave with pay are included. (U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, **Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook**, p. 127 [Online]. Available: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/handbook/ucrhandbook04.pdf> [Nov. 20, 2009].) No 2008 police employee data were received from West Virginia. These data are for employees who were on the payroll on Oct. 31, 2008.

^aIncludes 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.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, **Crime in the United States, 2008**, Table 74 [Online]. Available: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/cius2008/data/table_74.html [Nov. 20, 2009].