



Data Declaration

Table 26

Full-time Law Enforcement Employees, by State by City, 2016

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

General comment

This table provides the total number of law enforcement employees, total officers, and total civilians employed by city/town law enforcement agencies listed alphabetically by state.

Methodology

- The information in this table is derived from law enforcement employee counts (as of October 31, 2016) submitted by participating agencies.
- The UCR Program defines law enforcement officers as individuals who ordinarily carry a firearm and a badge, have full arrest powers, and are paid from governmental funds set aside specifically to pay sworn law enforcement.
- Civilian employees include full-time agency personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics.

Population estimation

For the 2016 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2010 decennial population counts and 2011 through 2015 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2015 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2016 population estimate.