

Summary

This year 5 law enforcement officers were killed while performing their official duties. Over the 5-year period from 2001 to 2005, a total of 20 officers were killed while performing their official duties.

There were 2,959 assaults on police officers this year, representing a 3.2 percent increase from the 2,867 assaults reported last year. The assault rate per 100 officers increased to 12.1 from 11.4 last year.

Jurisdictions with populations of 100,000 to 249,999 experienced the highest assault rate (38.4). Statewide, 8 of the population groups had higher rates than last year.