

Summary

There were 31,085 full-time law enforcement employees in Pennsylvania this year, including the State Police. This is an increase of 1.1 percent from last year.

The number of full-time police officers increased by 1.7 percent. The number of civilian employees decreased by 1.6 percent.

Full-time police officers made up 84.7 percent of police departments and civilian employees accounted for 15.3 percent. There were 2.50 full-time employees, 2.12 officers, and .38 civilians per 1,000 population.

This year the 1,043 police jurisdictions contributing employee data (State total less Pennsylvania State Police and Pennsylvania Bureau of Narcotics Investigation and Drug Control) accounted for 23,129 full-time law enforcement employees, or 74.4 percent of the State total. Of these, 87.6 percent or 20,257 were full-time officers and 12.4 percent or 2,872 were civilians.

This year 51.7 percent of the police departments contributing employee data to the Pennsylvania UCR Program (539 out of 1,043) employed more than 5 full-time officers; 88.6 percent (924) employed 25 or fewer full-time officers; and .4 percent (4) employed more than 200 full-time officers.