

**Nebraska**  
**Law Enforcement Personnel**  
**and**  
**Law Enforcement Coverage**  
**as of October 31, 2003**

Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

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## **Introduction**

The Crime Commission surveys law enforcement agencies each year on the number of sworn and civilian personnel employed as of October 31st. In 2003 the survey covered full and part-time sworn and civilian employees as well as understaffing information. The survey also gathered information on agencies that had contractual agreements with communities or other entities to provide law enforcement coverage. 161 agencies responded to the 2003 survey.

## **Highlights**

### **Sworn Personnel**

3,421 full-time sworn officers with 106 vacant positions.

154 part-time sworn officers with 9 vacant positions.

2.0 full-time sworn officers per 1,000 population (based upon a population estimate of 1,739,291).

### **Civilian Personnel**

1,300 full-time civilian employees.

276 part-time civilian employees.

55 vacant positions (both full-time and part-time).

### **Reserve Officers**

148 reserve officers.

22% of the total agencies use reserve officers.

### **Contractual Agreements**

47 departments reported they have contracts with communities, etc. to provide law enforcement coverage.

53% of the sheriffs' departments reported having contractual agreements.

Department	Full-Time Employees				Part-Time Employees		Understaffing				Population Covered *	Officers Per 1,000 Population	Number of Reserve Officers
	Sworn Officers		Civilians		Sworn Officers	Civilians	Sworn		Civilian				
	Male	Female	Male	Female			Full-Time	Part-Time	Full-Time	Part-Time			

**Sheriffs' Departments**

Adams Co. S.O.	17	0	0	2	1	2	2				7,354	2.3	1
Antelope Co. S.O.	6	0	1	3	2	2					5,620	1.1	1
Arthur Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	1	0					398	2.5	
Banner Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	0	1					774	1.3	
Blaine Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	0	0					533	1.9	
Boone Co. S.O.	4	0	0	7	0	1					3,455	1.2	
Box Butte Co. S.O.	5	1	0	1	0	0	4				2,144	2.8	2
Brown Co. S.O.	5	0	1	4	4	3					3,490	1.4	8
Buffalo Co. S.O.	19	2	4	2	2	0					12,382	1.7	
Burt Co. S.O.	6	0	0	5	6	0					2,889	2.1	
Butler Co. S.O.	6	1	1	3	0	1					6,281	1.1	
Cass Co. S.O.	27	4	12	20	3	3					18,211	1.7	
Cedar Co. S.O.	4	0	2	3	0	0					5,279	0.8	
Chase Co. S.O.	2	0	1	0	0	0					1,464	1.4	
Cherry Co. S.O.	5	0	0	6	0	3					3,269	1.5	9
Cheyenne Co. S.O.	4	0	0	0	0	0	2				3,497	1.1	4
Colfax Co. S.O.	5	0	3	2	0	4					3,369	1.5	
Cuming Co. S.O.	5	0	0	1	0	0					3,858	1.3	
Custer Co. S.O.	6	0	0	5	0	1					5,779	1.0	
Dakota Co. S.O.	11	0	7	7	3	5					7,645	1.4	
Dawes Co. S.O.	3	0	0	1	0	0					2,316	1.3	
Dawson Co. S.O.	14	4	0	13	0	2					6,625	2.7	
Deuel Co. S.O.	4	0	0	1	0	1					2,053	1.9	
Dixon Co. S.O.	7	0	0	5	4	3					4,801	1.5	
Dodge Co. S.O.	17	0	1	6	0	2					8,034	2.1	3
Douglas Co. S.O.	113	14	44	22	0	18					54,244	2.3	35
Dundy Co. S.O.	5	0	1	3	0	0					2,225	2.2	
Fillmore Co. S.O.	4	1	1	5	0	1					2,909	1.7	
Franklin Co. S.O.	3	0	0	4	1	1					2,452	1.2	1
Frontier Co. S.O.	5	0	0	3	0	2				1	2,904	1.7	
Furnas Co. S.O.	9	0	0	5	1	2					5,196	1.7	
Gage Co. S.O.	11	1	1	11	0	1					8,449	1.4	8
Garden Co. S.O.	2	2	0	5	2	1					2,193	1.8	
Garfield Co. S.O.	2	0	0	0	0	1					759	2.6	
Gosper Co. S.O.	4	0	0	1	0	1					2,089	1.9	
Grant Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	1	1					695	1.4	
Greeley Co. S.O.	2	0	0	1	1	0	1				2,083	1.0	
Hall Co. S.O.	27	1	1	5	0	3	1			1	10,522	2.7	
Hamilton Co. S.O.	8	0	0	0	0	0					5,231	1.5	
Harlan Co. S.O.	4	0	0	4	0	0				1	3,664	1.1	
Hayes Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	0	1			1		1,104	0.9	
Hitchcock Co. S.O.	4	0	0	3	1	3					3,031	1.3	1
Holt Co. S.O.	5	0	0	1	3	1					6,294	0.8	
Hooker Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	1	0					737	1.4	
Howard Co. S.O.	5	1	0	7	1	0					4,375	1.4	3

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**Sheriffs' Departments, cont.**

Jefferson Co. S.O.	6	0	0	6	0	0					6,936	0.9	
Johnson Co. S.O.	3	0	0	4	2	2					3,637	0.8	
Kearney Co. S.O.	6	0	1	4	0	2	1				5,374	1.1	
Keith Co. S.O.	8	0	2	4	2	0					3,699	2.2	4
Keya Paha Co. S.O.	1	0	1	0	0	0					953	1.0	
Kimball Co. S.O.	1	2	0	6	0	1					3,198	0.9	
Knox Co. S.O.	5	0	0	7	0	0					5,259	1.0	
Lancaster Co. S.O.	66	4	4	14	8	0					25,401	2.8	
Lincoln Co. S.O.	24	0	7	13	0	2					10,878	2.2	3
Logan Co. S.O.	2	0	0	0	3	0					710	2.8	
Loup Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	1	0					744	1.3	
Madison Co. S.O.	22	2	3	22	3	10					6,333	3.8	
McPherson Co. S.O.	1	0	0	0	0	0		1			542	1.8	
Merrick Co. S.O.	5	0	0	5	0	2					5,188	1.0	
Morrill Co. S.O.	3	0	0	5	0	0					2,555	1.2	
Nance Co. S.O.	7	0	1	3	0	2					3,741	1.9	
Nemaha Co. S.O.	5	0	0	3	1	3					4,011	1.2	
Nuckolls Co. S.O.	4	0									2,895	1.4	
Otoe Co. S.O.	11	0	2	7	1	1					6,579	1.7	
Pawnee Co. S.O.	3	0	0	1	1	0					2,918	1.0	
Perkins Co. S.O.	4	0	0	4	0	1					3,057	1.3	
Phelps Co. S.O.	7	0	1	8	0	1					4,109	1.7	2
Pierce Co. S.O.	4	0	0	4	0	6					3,880	1.0	
Platte Co. S.O.	18	1	17	17	2	0					9,556	2.0	2
Polk Co. S.O.	6	1	0	4	4	2	1				5,478	1.3	2
Red Willow Co. S.O.	5	0	0	2	0	0	1				3,405	1.5	7
Richardson Co. S.O.	6	0	0	4	3	4					4,633	1.3	
Rock Co. S.O.	3	0	0	5	2	1					1,613	1.9	1
Saline Co. S.O.	9	1	0	5	0	1					4,902	2.0	1
Sarpy Co. S.O.	98	26	17	40	0	29					54,018	2.3	
Saunders Co. S.O.	11	0	2	6	12	2					10,914	1.0	
Scotts Bluff Co. S.O.	17	1	2	6	1	0					9,736	1.8	4
Seward Co. S.O.	10	1	4	6	0	2					7,852	1.4	
Sheridan Co. S.O.	3	1	0	1	0	0					2,650	1.5	5
Sherman Co. S.O.	5	0	0	1	0	0					2,863	1.7	
Stanton Co. S.O.	7	0	0	1	3	1					6,582	1.1	
Thayer Co. S.O.	7	0	0	4	0	3					5,662	1.2	
Thomas Co. S.O.	1	1	0	0	0	1					669	3.0	
Thurston Co. S.O.	5	1	3	2	0	2					3,379	1.8	
Valley Co. S.O.	2	0	0	1	0	0	1				2,002	1.0	
Washington Co. S.O.	20	1	4	15	3	1					11,892	1.8	4
Wayne Co. S.O.	3	0	0	1	0	1	1				4,083	0.7	
Webster Co. S.O.	5	1	0	4	0	0					2,805	2.1	
Wheeler Co. S.O.	2	0	0	0	0	1					821	2.4	
York Co. S.O.	9	0	5	7	0	0					5,491	1.6	

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**Cities Above 5,000 Population**

Alliance P.D.	16	2	1	7	0	0	2				8,579	2.1		
Beatrice P.D.	18	3	3	7	0	2	1			1	12,945	1.6		
Bellevue P.D.	76	5	0	11	0	7					46,734	1.7		
Blair P.D.	12	1	0	2	4	0	2				7,798	1.7		
Chadron P.D.	9	2	0	6	0	1	2				5,598	2.0		
Columbus P.D.	28	3	3	12	0	3	4			1	20,880	1.5		
Crete P.D.	9	2	3	4	1	2	1				6,321	1.7	1	
Elkhorn P.D.	14	0	0	1	7	2					7,869	1.8		
Fremont P.D.	34	2	1	6	4	6				1	25,198	1.4	4	
Gering P.D.	14	1	0	3	0	0	2				7,832	2.1		
Grand Island P.D.	69	6	0	8	0	6					43,771	1.7		
Hastings P.D.	29	6	0	15	0	4	3				23,536	1.5	4	
Holdrege P.D.	10	0	0	6	0	0					5,521	1.8		
Kearney P.D.	48	3	2	10	0	3					28,211	1.8		
LaVista P.D.	24	2	0	4	0	1					13,895	1.9		
Lexington P.D.	11	3	0	2	0	0					10,113	1.4		
Lincoln P.D.	257	51	31	68	0	4	7			2	235,594	1.3		
McCook P.D.	16	0	1	3	0	2					7,847	2.0		
Nebraska City P.D.	11	1	0	1	0	0	1				7,113	1.7		
Norfolk P.D.	38	4	2	20	0	1					24,061	1.7		
North Platte P.D.	41	1	4	21	0	1					23,924	1.8		
Omaha P.D.	579	140	30	139	4	27	45			36	8	404,267	1.9	
Papillion P.D.	24	4	0	4	0	1	3			1		17,829	1.6	
Plattsmouth P.D.	15	1	0	3	0	0						7,031	2.3	6
Ralston P.D.	13	0	0	1	0	1				3		6,241	2.1	
Schuyler P.D.	5	2	0	2	0	0	1					5,381	1.3	
Scottsbluff P.D.	31	1	1	3	0	0	2					14,774	2.1	
Seward P.D.	10	0	0	1	0	1						6,752	1.5	1
Sidney P.D.	12	0	0	2	0	2	1					6,443	1.9	
So. Sioux City P.D.	26	1	0	1	0	3						12,030	2.2	
Wayne P.D.	8	1	1	4	1	0						5,391	1.7	
York P.D.	13	1	1	5	0	0						7,873	1.8	

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**Cities Under 5,000 Population**

Ashland P.D.	4	0	0	0	3	1		1			2,380	1.7	
Auburn P.D.	5	0	0	0	0	1	1				3,125	1.6	
Aurora P.D.	7	0	0	0	0	1					4,247	1.6	
Bayard P.D.	3	0	0	0	2	0					1,193	2.5	
Bridgeport P.D.	3	0	0	0	0	0					1,536	2.0	
Broken Bow P.D.	4	0	0	1	0	0	2				3,385	1.2	
Central City P.D.	5	0	0	1	0	0					2,946	1.7	
Cozad P.D.	6	0	1	3	1	6					4,229	1.4	
David City P.D.	6	0	0	1	0	0					2,618	2.3	
Fairbury P.D.	8	0	0	1	0	0					4,112	1.9	1
Falls City P.D.	9	0	0	4	0	3				1	4,375	2.1	
Geneva P.D.	3	1	0	0	0	0					2,164	1.8	
Gordon P.D.	5	0	0	1	0	0					1,630	3.1	3
Gothenburg P.D.	6	0	0	4	0	1					3,631	1.7	
Imperial P.D.	4	0	0	0	0	0					1,969	2.0	
Kimball P.D.	4	1	0	1	0	0					2,396	2.1	
Lyons P.D.	2	0	0	0	9	0					923	2.2	
Madison P.D.	4	0	0	0	3	0		1			2,344	1.7	
Milford P.D.	5	0	0	0	0	0					2,067	2.4	
Minden P.D.	5	0	0	1	0	0					2,952	1.7	
Mitchell P.D.	5	0	0	0	0	0					1,804	2.8	
Neligh P.D.	3	0	0	0	0	0					1,591	1.9	
Ogallala P.D.	10	0	0	1	0	0	1				4,773	2.1	
O'Neill P.D.	7	0	0	1	0	0					3,596	1.9	6
Ord P.D.	4	0	0	3	0	1				1	2,220	1.8	
Pierce P.D.	3	0	0	0	1	0					1,750	1.7	
Plainview P.D.	2	0	3	0	1	3					1,314	1.5	
Superior P.D.	4	0	0	0	3	0					1,946	2.1	
Syracuse P.D.	3	0	0	0	0	1					1,812	1.7	
Tecumseh P.D.	3	0	0	1	0	0					1,707	1.8	1
Tekamah P.D.	3	0	0	0	5	0					1,842	1.6	
Valentine P.D.	4	0	0	1	0	0	1				2,784	1.4	1
Valley P.D.	5	0	0	0	11	2					1,823	2.7	1
Wahoo P.D.	6	0	0	0	2	0					4,010	1.5	
West Point P.D.	6	0	0	1	0	0					3,545	1.7	
Wilber P.D.	4	0	0	0	0	0					1,790	2.2	6
Wymore P.D.	3	0	0	0	1	0					1,629	1.8	2

**State Agencies**

State Patrol	493	23	67	131	0	14	7				NA	NA	
University of NE - Lincoln	23	5	13	6	0	5					NA	NA	
University of NE - Kearney	3	2	0	1	1	2	1	2			NA	NA	

\* 2003 Population Estimates - U.S. Census

## Contracts

Adams Co. S.O.	Ayr, Holstein, Juniata, Kenesaw, Prosser, and Roseland @ \$.50 per month per resident
Antelope Co. S.O.	Clearwater, Oakdale, and Orchard
Boone Co. S.O.	Petersburg and Cedar Rapids @ 40 hrs for \$1,000 per month Primrose @ \$90 per month
Brown Co. S.O.	Ainsworth @ \$100,000 per year Long Pine @ \$16,000 per year
Buffalo Co. S.O.	Gibbon @ 433.33 hrs for \$9,571.50 per month Elm Creek @ 86.67 hrs for \$1,934 per month Amherst @ 3 hrs for \$113 per month Miller @ 3 hrs for \$113 per month Pleasanton @ 3 hrs for \$113 per month
Butler Co. S.O.	Bellwood
Cass Co. S.O.	Weeping Water @ 151 hrs per month for \$2,711.80 per month Cedar Creek @ 65 hrs per month for \$1,214.88 per month Eagle @ 173 hrs per month for \$3,021.34 per month Greenwood @ 43 hrs per month for \$800 per month
Dakota Co. S.O.	Homer @ 20 hrs per week for \$17,107.80 per year Dakota City @ 24 hrs per day for \$68,496 per year
Dawson Co. S.O.	Overton @ 125 hrs for \$1,833.33 per month Sumner @ 30 hrs for \$550 per month Farnam @ 30 hrs for \$500 per month Eddyville @ 30 hrs for \$500 per month
Deuel Co. S.O.	Chappell @ \$7,833.34 per month Big Springs @ \$3,833.33 per month
Dixon Co. S.O.	Wakefield @ \$120,712 (Two officers and all equipment)
Dodge Co. S.O.	North Bend @ 56 hrs per week for \$3,413.47 per month
Dundy Co. S.O.	Haigler @ \$1,250 per month Benkelman @ \$5,500 per month
Franklin Co. S.O.	Upland, Campbell, Riverton, Bloomington, Naponee @ \$13.50 per hour
Frontier Co. S.O.	Curtis, Eustis, Maywood, Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture
Furnas Co. S.O.	Arapahoe, Beaver City, Cambridge, and Oxford
Garden Co. S.O.	Oshkosh and Lewellen
Gosper Co. S.O.	Elwood @ \$25,000 Smithfield @ \$2,500
Grant Co. S.O.	Hyannis @ \$500 per month
Greeley Co. S.O.	Greeley, Scotia, and Wolbach @ \$1,500 per month
Hall Co. S.O.	Alda @ 75 hrs for \$1,725 per month Cairo @ 50 hrs for \$1,077.50 per month Doniphan @ 87 hrs for \$1,876 per month Wood River @ 160 hrs for \$3,555 per month
Harlan Co. S.O.	Alma and Harlan County Lake (Corp. of Engineers)
Hayes Co. S.O.	Hayes Center @ \$2,200 per quarter
Holt Co. S.O.	Ewing \$19,785 per year and Stuart \$32,500 per year
Hooker Co. S.O.	Mullen @ \$13,500 per year
Keith Co. S.O.	Brule @ \$20,287 per year Paxton @ \$22,629 per year

**Contracts, continued**

Lancaster Co. S.O.	Bennet
	Denton
	Hallam
	Hickman @ \$61,022.15 per year
	Waverly @ \$115,807.64 per year
Lincoln Co. S.O.	Brady @ \$11,248.51
	Hershey @ \$15,239.99
	Sutherland @ \$23,621.87
	Wallace @ \$15,747.91
	Wellfleet @ \$2,699.64
Logan Co. S.O.	Stapleton @ \$4,515 per year
	Gandy @ 450 per year
Nance Co. S.O.	Fullerton @ \$111,572 per year
	Genoa @ \$67,201 per year
	Belgrade @ 35 hrs for \$700 per year
Nuckolls Co. S.O.	Nelson @ \$21,772.20 per year
	Lawrence @ \$17,782.34 per year
	Ruskin @ \$2,400 per year
	Handy @ \$2,400 per year
Pawnee Co. S.O.	Pawnee City @ 40 hrs per week for \$37,561.15 per year
	Burchard @ \$885.80 per year
	Lewiston @ \$739.60 per year
	DuBois @ \$1,427 per year
	Steinauer @ \$636.40 per year
	Table Rock @ \$2,270.40 per year
Perkins Co. S.O.	Grant @ \$77,761 per year
	Madrid @ \$11,185 per year
	Venago @ \$7,233 per year
	Elsie @ \$5,799 per year
Phelps Co. S.O.	Bertrand
Platte Co. S.O.	Lindsay @ \$19,140 per year
Polk Co. S.O.	Osceola, Stromsburg, and Shelby
Richardson Co. S.O.	Humboldt @ \$45,450.60 per year
Rock Co. S.O.	Bassett @ \$33,000 per year
Sarpy Co. S.O.	Gretna @ \$11,660.99
	Springfield @ \$3,788.42
Seward Co. S.O.	Beaver Crossing, Bee, Garland, Pleasant Dale, and Utica @ \$.50 per person per month
Sherman Co. S.O.	Loup City @ \$82,500 per year
Stanton Co. S.O.	Stanton @ \$90,000 per year
Thayer Co. S.O.	Chester @ \$814 per month
	Alexandria @ \$347.60 per month
	Deshler @ \$2,200 per month
	Hebron @ \$10,120 per month
	Bruning @ \$814 per month
	Davenport @ \$814 per month
Valley Co. S.O.	North Loup @ \$1,200 a year



**Contracts, continued**

Washington Co. S.O.	Arlington @ \$51,548.73 per year
	Fort Calhoun @ \$51,548.73 per year
	Herman @ \$15 per hour and reimbursement for mileage
	Kennard @ \$15 per hour and reimbursement for mileage
Wayne Co. S.O.	Winside, Carroll, and Hoskins @ \$1.50 per person per month
Scottsbluff P.D.	Terrytown @ \$60,000 per year