# **Data Declaration**

### Table 76

## Full-time State Law Enforcement Employees by State, 2006

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

### **General comments**

- All information in this table is as of October 31, 2006.
- This table provides the number of state law enforcement employees, the number of
  male officers, the number of female officers, the number of male civilian employees,
  and the number of female civilian employees for each participating state law
  enforcement agency listed alphabetically by state.
- 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 for payment of sworn law enforcement representatives.
- Civilian employees include personnel such as clerks, radio dispatchers, meter attendants, stenographers, jailers, correctional officers, and mechanics provided that they are full-time employees of the agency.
- Caution should be used when comparing data from one state to that of another. The responsibilities of the various state police, highway patrol, and department of public safety agencies range from full law enforcement duties to only traffic patrol, which can impact both the level of employment for agencies as well as the ratio of sworn officers to civilians employed. Any valid comparison must take these factors and the other identified variables affecting crime into consideration.

# If you have questions about this table

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