ANCHORAGE, AK— The 14-02 issue of the AJSAC Fact Sheet presents data for 1982–2012 on law enforcement personnel in Alaska.

Data was drawn from the annual Uniform Crime Report (UCR) statistics from the Alaska Department of Public Safety (DPS), Criminal Records & Identification Bureau (CRIB), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the period from 1982 to 2012. The data presented focuses exclusively on state and local law enforcement personnel. These data were extracted from DPS’s Crime in Alaska and the FBI’s Crime in the United States publications.

- In 2012, 39 law enforcement agencies representing 81.3% of all Alaska law enforcement agencies and serving 99.4% of Alaska’s population provided UCR data to the FBI and DPS.
- In 2012, DPS had a combined workforce of 637 persons and APD had a combined workforce of 511 persons.
- On average from 1982-2012, the ratio of sworn police officers to citizens was 1.8 per 1,000 in Alaska, compared to 2.2 per 1,000 for the U.S. as a whole.
- On average from 1982-2012, the ratio of sworn police officers to non-sworn personnel has remained stable at 1.7 statewide. In 2012, the ratio of sworn police officers to non-sworn personnel was 1.7 for DPS and 2.7 for APD.
- From 1988-2012, the proportion of female sworn officers in Alaska has increased from 6.3% to 8.3% of all state sworn police officers. In 2012, the proportion of female officers at the two largest police agencies in the state were inconsistent: DPS (4.3%) and APD (14%). In the U.S., nearly 12% of all officers were female in 2012.

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