

28TH ANNUAL NATIONAL SURVEY RESULTS

The following survey questions were posed by mail to Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs in the United States. It represents a broad cross section of professional command officers involving every state and every size department. The survey was conducted for the 28th consecutive year by the National Association of Chiefs of Police. (321)264-0911. www.nacoponline.org, policeinfo@aphf.org. Permission to reproduce in whole or part is granted if credit is given to the National Association of Chiefs of Police © 2016.

DISASTER & CIVIL UNREST PREPAREDNESS

	Yes	No	N/A
1. Does your department have a written disaster plan?	78.8%	19.1%	2%
2. Has your department updated its disaster plan in the past year? (if no plan leave blank)	41.7%	35.9%	22.4%
3. Does your department have a written plan for conducting mandatory evacuations?	51.7%	43.6%	4.7%
4. Does the plan include instructions about privately owned firearms? (if no plan leave blank)	5.2%	53.6%	41.3%

TRAINING

Does your department require of its officers at least...

5. ...annual driver training?	35.2%	64%	.8%
6. ...annual training in handcuffing techniques?	52%	47.3%	.7%
7. ...annual training in non-lethal weapons?	79.6%	20.1%	.3%
8. ...annual training in defensive techniques?	59.2%	40.2%	.6%
9. ...annual training with force on force cartridges?	42.3%	54.3%	3.3%

EQUIPMENT & TECHNOLOGY

10. Do your department's vehicles have dash cameras?	67.8%	32%	.2%
11. Do your officers have body cameras?	38.7%	60.9%	.4%
12. Does your department require patrol officers to wear body armor when on duty?	85.6%	14%	.4%
13. Does your department use/monitor social media to help stop or solve crimes?	85.7%	13.9%	.5%

IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

14. Should the Federal Government loan automatic rifles to departments located near US borders?	83.4%	14%	2.6%
15. Should an illegal alien who has been convicted of a crime be deported after serving their sentence?	96.1%	1.9%	2%
16. Has your department been advised by representatives of the government to not enforce certain laws?	7.2%	90.9%	1.9%

FIREARMS

17. Should any vetted citizen be able to purchase a firearm for sport or self-defense?	87.9%	8.9%	3.2%
18. Does your department support nationwide recognition of state issued concealed weapon permits?	86.4%	10.6%	2.9%
19. Can qualified, law-abiding armed citizens help law enforcement reduce violent criminal activity?	76%	18.6%	5.4%
20. Does your department use reality based/active shooter training?	82.3%	17.1%	.6%
21. Does your department sell confiscated firearms to help meet budget needs or cover budget shortfalls?	18%	81%	1%

MISCELLANEOUS

22. Does your department have at least one canine unit in force?	37.5%	62.2%	.3%
23. If a grant were provided to fund the initial purchase and/or training of a canine, would your department be able to maintain subsequent ongoing expenses?	57.9%	40.3%	1.9%
24. Does your department have a written policy against racial profiling?	80.5%	18.8%	.7%
25. Does your department provide a police chaplaincy program to help officers and their families during crisis?	58.8%	40.6%	.6%
26. Does your department provide free access to mental health professionals to help officers with problems?	80%	18.8%	1.2%
27. Does your department have an awards program to recognize your officers?	64.4%	35.1%	.5%
28. Would you support a bill that makes fleeing an officer a felony punishable by a mandatory prison sentence?	85.6%	11.8%	2.6%