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## Police Resources in British Columbia, 2019

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**Please Note:** The authorized strength for the provincial service jurisdictions (Prov) represents the number of sworn members assigned to General Duty/General Investigation Service (GD/GIS) functions at a detachment but does not include members assigned to specialized functions, such as traffic enforcement, forensic identification, major case crimes, etc.

Caution should be used in comparing police jurisdiction crime data, policing costs, authorized strengths, or case loads. *Variances in crime statistics in recent years may be attributable in part to changes in reporting practices. Please refer to the Impact of Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Scoring Rule Changes on page 24.*

Additional information on police and crime statistics can be obtained from the Policing and Security Branch Website at  
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/criminal-justice/policing-in-bc>

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## Structure of Policing in British Columbia

Policing in Canada is a shared responsibility between federal, provincial/territorial, and municipal governments. Under the *Constitution Act, 1867*, the federal government has the exclusive authority to enact legislation regarding criminal law and procedure. In addition, the federal government is responsible for providing a federal police service to enforce federal statutes and to protect national security. The *Constitution Act, 1867*, delegates responsibility for the administration of justice, which includes policing, to provincial governments. Each province has a Police Act that sets out the terms by which police are governed. Provinces may delegate responsibility for policing within municipal boundaries to the municipality. Under the BC *Police Act*, municipalities 5,000 population and over are responsible for providing police services within their municipal boundaries.

In BC, policing is provided mainly by the RCMP (federal, provincial and municipal services), municipal police departments, and one First Nations self-administered Police Service. Notably, there are integrated teams operating throughout the province; these teams provide specialized policing services and are funded and/or resourced from two or more policing jurisdictions or agencies.

In addition, there are also several agencies that provide supplemental policing in BC; that is, they are mandated to provide policing in geographic areas already served by provincial or municipal police agencies but for a specific purpose. For example, in the Lower Mainland area of the province, the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (SCBCTAPS) provides policing on and around the transit system which is supplemental to the jurisdictional police. Similarly, the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific railway police agencies provide specialized law enforcement on any property within 500 metres of lands that the railway company owns, possesses or administers.

### RCMP Federal Service

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) is Canada's national police service. Established under the *RCMP Act*, the RCMP serves as the federal police service across Canada including within British Columbia. The RCMP falls within the portfolio of the Minister of Public Safety Canada and operates under the direction of the RCMP Commissioner. As the federal police service, the RCMP enforces federal statutes across the province and is responsible for border integrity, national security, drugs and organized crime, financial crime and international policing.

In 2019, the authorized strength of the federal service in British Columbia was 1,038 member positions which included 135 protective policing positions.

### RCMP Provincial Service

Under the *Police Act*, the provincial government must provide policing and law enforcement to rural/unincorporated areas and municipalities under 5,000 population. Effective April 1, 2012 the Province signed a new 20-year *Provincial Police Service Agreement* (PPSA) with the Government of Canada to contract the RCMP as BC's Provincial Police Service. Under the terms of the PPSA, the provincial government pays 70% of the cost-base described in the Agreement with the federal government paying the remaining 30%<sup>1</sup>.

A portion of the provincial cost is recovered through the Police Tax. In 2007, municipalities under 5,000 population and unincorporated areas began to pay the Police Tax which covers a portion of the costs of the General Duty and General Investigative Services (GD/GIS) provided by the RCMP Provincial Service. In 2019, the Police Tax raised a total of \$31M which was 31 per cent of the Province's estimated 70 per cent share of rural and small community GD/GIS costs. Revenues go into the Province's Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The RCMP Provincial Service can be broken into two main categories: detachment policing and the provincial police services. Detachment policing provides local police services to municipalities under 5,000 population and unincorporated areas throughout the province by means of uniformed patrols, response-to-call duties, investigative services, community-based policing, traffic enforcement, and administrative support to provincial detachments.

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In addition to detachment policing, the Provincial Service maintains the capacity and expertise to resolve the highest risk incidents; target organized crime, gang & gun violence, and serial crimes; and respond to large scale, provincial emergencies or events. This would also include capital-intensive equipment such as boats and aircraft.

In 2019, 775 member positions were assigned to provide GD/GIS at provincial detachments, serving a population of 683,408 including 85 municipalities with populations below 5,000 persons in addition to unincorporated areas. The total authorized strength of BC's Provincial Police Service was 2,602.

## Municipal Policing

Under the BC *Police Act*, a municipality is responsible for providing its police services when its population exceeds 5,000 persons. The municipality also becomes responsible for bearing all the costs relating to its municipal police services. These municipalities may choose to form their own municipal police department, contract with an existing municipal police department, or contract with the provincial government for RCMP municipal police services.

In 2019, there were 77 municipalities in BC responsible for providing police services within their municipal boundaries. Twelve municipalities were policed by municipal police departments and 65 were policed by the RCMP.

## Municipal Police Departments

Twelve municipalities in BC are policed by eleven municipal police departments as established under section 23 of the *Police Act*. The municipal police departments are: Vancouver, Victoria (which polices the municipalities of Victoria and Esquimalt), Saanich, Central Saanich, Oak Bay, Delta, Abbotsford, New Westminster, West Vancouver, Nelson and Port Moody.

These municipal police departments are governed by a police board, whose role is to provide general direction to the department, in accordance with relevant legislation and in response to community needs. Each police board consists of civilians and is chaired by the municipality's mayor; one board member is appointed by the municipal council and up to seven people appointed by the provincial government. Municipalities which provide their policing by means of a municipal police department pay for 100% of their policing costs.

In 2019, the total authorized strength of all the municipal police departments was 2,461 officer positions (*Note: Includes adjusted strength figures for municipalities participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams*).

## RCMP Municipal Services

In addition to the *Provincial Police Services Agreement*, the provincial and federal governments signed the *Municipal Police Service Agreement* (MPSA), a master agreement which enables the provincial government to sub-contract the RCMP Provincial Service to municipalities and describes the terms and conditions for the provision of RCMP municipal police services. To contract RCMP municipal services, each municipality must sign a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* (MPUA) with the provincial government.

The terms of the MPSA and the MPUA require that municipalities between 5,000 and 14,999 population pay 70% of the RCMP cost-base; municipalities 15,000 population and over pay 90%. The remaining 30% and 10%, respectively, are paid by the federal government<sup>1</sup>. Municipalities are responsible for 100% of certain costs, such as accommodation (i.e., the detachment) and support staff.

The RCMP operates regional and integrated detachments in many areas of the province. An integrated detachment is comprised of two or more provincial and/or municipal police units. For example, the North Vancouver Detachment houses three policing units: two municipal (North Vancouver District and North Vancouver City) and one provincial (North Vancouver Provincial). The detachment works on a post-dispatch system which means members respond to calls in any of the three policing jurisdictions regardless of whether the member is assigned to the North Vancouver City Municipal Unit or the North Vancouver Provincial Unit etc. In integrated detachments, RCMP members from each policing unit report to one detachment commander.

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The regional detachment structure adds another layer to integration. Regional detachments offer a central point of management, coordination and comptrollership for multiple integrated or stand-alone detachments in the area. For example, the Kelowna Regional Detachment is located in the City of Kelowna and the Kelowna Municipal Unit is the only policing unit that works out of that building. However, the West Kelowna Integrated Detachment (consisting of the West Kelowna Municipal Unit, the Peachland Municipal Unit and the Kelowna Provincial Unit) and the Lake Country Detachment (Lake Country Municipal Unit) fall under the umbrella of the Kelowna Regional Detachment. These types of arrangements allow for specialized and/or administrative police services to be delivered regionally.

In 2019, there were 65 municipalities in BC that contracted with the provincial government for RCMP municipal police services. The total authorized strength of the RCMP municipal services was 3,969 members.

There were 31 municipalities 15,000 population and over with RCMP municipal services and a total strength of 3,512 member positions. There were 34 municipalities between 5,000 and 14,999 population with RCMP municipal services, with a total strength of 457 member positions. *(Note: Includes adjusted strength figures for municipalities participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams).*

### First Nations Self-Administered Policing

Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police is the only First Nation self-administered Police Service in British Columbia and is governed by a police board whose members are selected from each of the ten communities it serves. Police officers recruited by the police board are either experienced officers or graduates of the Justice Institute of British Columbia, Police Academy. All officers are appointed under the *Police Act*. In 2019, the Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police amended their agreement to increase their authorized strength to 12 police officer positions.

### Enhanced Policing to First Nations Communities

Through the First Nations Policing Program (FNPP), both the federal and provincial governments provide funding to support policing services in addition to the level of policing already provided to the community. The FNPP was established in 1991 to enhance policing that is professional, dedicated and responsive to First Nations and was designed to enable greater input over the delivery of policing services within their communities.

### First Nations Community Policing Services (FNCPS)

In August 2019, the Framework Agreement between the federal government and the provincial government for RCMP FNCPS in British Columbia was amended. The additional positions will be reported once the new Framework Agreement has been signed and the Community Tripartite Agreements have been negotiated. In 2019, the total authorized strength for First Nations policing under this Agreement is 112.5 member positions through 55 Community Tripartite Agreements. Each FNCPS Unit is established under a tripartite agreement between the provincial government, the federal government and the participating First Nation communities. The provincial share of funding the FNCPS is 48% and the federal share is 52%. See page 7 and 8 for a listing of FNCPS positions by Community and RCMP Detachment.

### Integrated First Nations Police Units

In 2007, a policing agreement was signed by the provincial government, the West Vancouver Police Board, and the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations to create the Integrated First Nations Policing Unit. This Unit is comprised of a total of five positions staffed by members within the RCMP and the West Vancouver Police Department and one member funded under the First Nations Policing Program. This policing arrangement provides enhanced, dedicated services to reserve lands located in North Vancouver, West Vancouver and the Squamish Valley.

### Tsawwassen Quadripartite Agreement

In 2019, a new five year policing agreement was signed between the federal government, the provincial government, the City of Delta, and the Tsawwassen First Nation to enable the Delta Police Department to deliver enhanced policing to the Tsawwassen First Nation. The funding of this agreement is shared by the provincial and federal governments, 48% and 52% respectively. There is currently one member providing enhanced policing under this Agreement.

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## Integrated Teams in BC

There are a number of integrated teams in the province. These teams may be “integrated” in one or more ways:

- They are comprised of police officers from more than one police agency or members from at least two levels of policing (i.e., federal, provincial, municipal); and/or
- Multiple governments (federal, provincial, municipal) contribute to funding the team.

In addition, integrated teams provide services to more than one policing jurisdiction. In BC, there are three broad categories of integrated teams: federal, provincial and regional/municipal.

**Federal Integrated Teams:** includes members from municipal, provincial, and/or other federal agencies (Canadian and US) which are funded primarily by the federal government. Most Federal integrated teams are managed under the Federal Policing program. Such multi-disciplined groups deal with National Security, Transnational Organized Crime, Money Laundering, Integrated Market Enforcement and Border Integrity.

**Provincial Integrated Teams:** may include members from municipal, provincial, and/or federal agencies but are funded primarily by the provincial government. The provincial teams include Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU), Hate Crime Task Force, Integrated Sexual Predator Observation Team (ISPOT), Integrated Witness Protection Services, and the Unsolved Homicide Unit.

**Regional Integrated Teams:** may include members from municipal, provincial, and/or federal police agencies. These teams are formed to provide specialized services to specific regions of the province and are funded by the participating jurisdictions according to predetermined funding formula. For example, the Lower Mainland District (LMD) Police Dog Service provides service to all RCMP municipal and provincial policing jurisdictions in the RCMP Lower Mainland District, as well as Abbotsford, Delta, New Westminster, and Port Moody Police Departments.

## FOOTNOTES

1. The federal government's contribution is in recognition of the benefits it receives as a result of the RCMP agreements.



## British Columbia Policing Jurisdictions

### **MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS**

Abbotsford Mun  
Central Saanich Mun  
Delta Mun  
Nelson Mun  
New Westminster Mun  
Oak Bay Mun  
Port Moody Mun  
Saanich Mun  
Vancouver Mun  
Victoria Mun  
West Vancouver Mun

### **RCMP ISLAND DISTRICT**

Alert Bay Prov  
Campbell River Mun  
Campbell River Prov  
Colwood Mun  
Comox Mun  
Comox Valley Prov  
Courtenay Mun  
Duncan Prov  
Gabriola Island Prov  
Ladysmith Mun  
Ladysmith Prov  
Lake Cowichan Prov  
Langford Mun  
Nanaimo Mun  
Nanaimo Prov  
Nootka Sound Prov  
North Cowichan Mun  
North Saanich Mun  
Oceanside Prov  
Outer Gulf Islands Prov  
Parksville Mun  
Port Alberni Mun  
Port Alberni Prov  
Port Alice Prov  
Port Hardy Prov  
Port McNeill Prov  
Powell River Mun  
Powell River Prov  
Quadra Island Prov  
Qualicum Beach Mun  
Saltspring Island Prov  
Sayward Prov  
Shawnigan Lake Prov  
Sidney Mun  
Sidney Prov  
Sooke Mun  
Sooke Prov  
Texada Island Prov

Tofino Prov  
Ucluelet Prov  
View Royal Mun  
West Shore Prov

### **RCMP LOWER MAINLAND DISTRICT**

Agassiz Prov  
Boston Bar Prov  
Bowen Island Prov  
Burnaby Mun  
Chilliwack Mun  
Chilliwack Prov  
Coquitlam Mun  
Coquitlam Prov  
Hope Mun  
Hope Prov  
Kent Mun  
Langley City Mun  
Langley Township Mun  
Maple Ridge Mun  
Mission Mun  
Mission Prov  
North Vancouver City Mun  
North Vancouver District Mun  
North Vancouver Prov  
Pemberton Prov  
Pitt Meadows Mun  
Port Coquitlam Mun  
Richmond Mun  
Ridge Meadows Prov  
Sechelt Mun  
Squamish Mun  
Squamish Prov  
Sunshine Coast Prov  
Surrey Mun  
Surrey Prov  
University Prov  
Whistler Mun  
Whistler Prov  
White Rock Mun

### **RCMP NORTH DISTRICT**

Alexis Creek Prov  
Anahim Lake Prov  
Atlin Prov  
Bella Bella Prov  
Bella Coola Prov  
Burns Lake Prov  
Chetwynd Prov  
Dawson Creek Mun  
Dawson Creek Prov  
Dease Lake Prov

Fort St. James Prov  
Fort St. John Mun  
Fort St. John Prov  
Fraser Lake Prov  
Houston Granisle Prov  
Hudson's Hope Prov  
Kitimat Mun  
Kitimat Prov  
Lisims/Nass Valley Prov  
Mackenzie Prov  
Masset Prov  
McBride Prov  
New Hazelton Prov  
Northern Rockies Prov  
One Hundred Mile House Prov  
Prince George Mun  
Prince George Prov  
Prince Rupert Mun  
Prince Rupert Prov  
Queen Charlotte City Prov  
Quesnel Mun  
Quesnel Prov  
Smithers Mun  
Smithers Prov  
Stewart Prov  
Takla Landing Prov  
Terrace Mun  
Terrace Prov  
Tsay Keh Dene Prov  
Tumbler Ridge Prov  
Valemount Prov  
Vanderhoof Prov  
Wells Prov  
Williams Lake Mun  
Williams Lake Prov

### **RCMP SOUTHEAST DISTRICT**

Armstrong Mun  
Armstrong Prov  
Ashcroft Prov  
Barriere Prov  
Castlegar Mun  
Castlegar Prov  
Chase Prov  
Clearwater Prov  
Clinton Prov  
Coldstream Mun  
Columbia Valley Prov  
Cranbrook Mun  
Cranbrook Prov  
Creston Mun  
Creston Prov

Elkford Prov  
Enderby Prov  
Falkland Prov  
Fernie Mun  
Fernie Prov  
Golden Prov  
Grand Forks Prov  
Kamloops Mun  
Kaslo Prov  
Kelowna Mun  
Kelowna Prov  
Kimberley Mun  
Kimberley Prov  
Keremeos Prov  
Lake Country Mun  
Lillooet Prov  
Logan Lake Prov  
Lumby Prov  
Lytton Prov  
Merritt Mun  
Merritt Prov  
Midway Prov  
Nakusp Prov  
Nelson Prov  
Oliver Prov  
Osoyoos Mun  
Osoyoos Prov  
Peachland Mun  
Penticton Mun  
Penticton Prov  
Princeton Prov  
Revelstoke Mun  
Revelstoke Prov  
Salmo Prov  
Salmon Arm Mun  
Salmon Arm Prov  
Sicamous Prov  
Slocan Lake Prov  
Spallumcheen Mun  
Sparwood Prov  
Summerland Mun  
T'Kumlups Prov  
Trail & Greater District Prov  
Trail Mun  
Vernon Mun  
Vernon Prov  
West Kelowna Mun

### **FIRST NATIONS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICE**

Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police

*Mun = Municipal  
Prov = Provincial*

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## First Nations Community Policing Services Statistics, 2019

### FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES POLICED BY DETACHMENT

| Detachment                                   | Auth.Strength | Detachment                              | Auth.Strength |
|--|---------------|---|---------------|
| <b>Agassiz &amp; Chilliwack</b>              | <b>7</b>      | <b>Dease Lake</b>                       | <b>2</b>      |
| Chehalis First Nation                        |               | Dease River First Nation                |               |
| Sto:lo (Scowlitz First Nation,               |               | Iskut First Nation                      |               |
| Kwantlen First Nation, Soowahlie First       |               | Tahltan Council                         |               |
| Nation, Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation,          |               | <b>Enderby</b>                          | <b>1</b>      |
| Seabird Island First Nation, Chawathil First |               | Spallumcheen                            |               |
| Nation, Kwaw-kwaw-Apilt First Nation,        |               | <b>Fort St. James</b>                   | <b>4</b>      |
| Cheam First Nation)                          |               | Nak'azdli First Nation                  |               |
| <b>Ahousaht / Tofino</b>                     | <b>2</b>      | Tl'azt'en First Nation                  |               |
| Ahousaht First Nation                        |               | <b>Fort St. John</b>                    | <b>2</b>      |
| <b>Alert Bay</b>                             | <b>1</b>      | Blueberry River First Nation            |               |
| Da'Naxda'xw First Nation                     |               | Doig River First Nation                 |               |
| Gwawaenuk First Nation                       |               | Halfway River First Nation              |               |
| Namgis First Nation                          |               | <b>Kamloops</b>                         | <b>4</b>      |
| Tlowitsis First Nation                       |               | Kamloops First Nation                   |               |
| Tsawataineuk First Nation                    |               | Skeetchestn First Nation                |               |
| <b>Alexis Creek</b>                          | <b>3</b>      | Whispering Pines / Clinton First Nation |               |
| Alexis Creek First Nation                    |               | <b>West Kelowna</b>                     | <b>3</b>      |
| Stone First Nation                           |               | Westbank First Nation                   |               |
| Xeni Gwet'in First Nation                    |               | <b>Kitimat</b>                          | <b>1</b>      |
| Anaham First Nation                          |               | Kitimaat First Nation (Haisla)          |               |
| <b>Anahim Lake</b>                           | <b>1</b>      | <b>Ladysmith</b>                        | <b>1</b>      |
| Ulkatcho First Nation                        |               | Chemainus First Nation                  |               |
| <b>Bella Bella</b>                           | <b>1</b>      | <b>Lake Cowichan</b>                    | <b>1</b>      |
| Heiltsuk First Nation                        |               | Ditidaht First Nation                   |               |
| Oweekeno First Nation                        |               | <b>Lisims/Nass Valley</b>               | <b>3</b>      |
| <b>Bella Coola</b>                           | <b>1</b>      | Nisga'a                                 |               |
| Nuxalk First Nation                          |               | <b>Lytton</b>                           | <b>2</b>      |
| <b>Burns Lake</b>                            | <b>3</b>      | Cooks Ferry Indian Band                 |               |
| Burns Lake First Nation                      |               | Kanaka Bar Indian Band                  |               |
| Cheslatta Carrier First Nation               |               | Lytton First Nation                     |               |
| Lake Babine Nation                           |               | Nicomien Indian Band                    |               |
| Nee-Tahi-Buhn First Nation                   |               | Siska Indian Band                       |               |
| Skin Tyee First Nation                       |               | Skuppah Indian Band                     |               |
| Wet'su'wet'en First Nation                   |               | <b>Mackenzie</b>                        | <b>1</b>      |
| <b>Campbell River</b>                        | <b>1</b>      | McLeod Lake Indian Band                 |               |
| Campbell River First Nation                  |               | <b>Masset</b>                           | <b>2</b>      |
| Cape Mudge First Nation (We Wai Kai)         |               | Old Masset Village Council              |               |
| Homalco First Nation                         |               | <b>Meritt</b>                           | <b>4</b>      |
| <b>Chase</b>                                 | <b>1</b>      | Coldwater Council                       |               |
| Little Shuswap Lake                          |               | Lower Nicola Council                    |               |
| Neskonlith                                   |               | Nooaitch Council                        |               |
| <b>Chetwynd</b>                              |               | Shackan Council                         |               |
| Saulteau                                     | <b>0.5</b>    | Upper Nicola Council                    |               |
| West Moberly First Nation                    | <b>0.5</b>    | <b>Nanaimo</b>                          |               |
| <b>Cranbrook</b>                             | <b>1</b>      | Nanoose First Nation                    | <b>0.5</b>    |
| Akisqu'nuk First Nation                      |               | Snuneymuxw Council                      | <b>1.5</b>    |
| Lower Kootenay First Nation                  |               |   |               |
| St. Mary's First Nation                      |               |   |               |
| Tobacco Plains Indian Band                   |               |   |               |

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| Detachment                                    | Auth.Strength | Detachment                             | Auth.Strength |
|---|---------------|--|---------------|
| <b>New Hazelton</b>                           | <b>2</b>      | <b>Quesnel</b>                         | <b>1</b>      |
| Gitanmaax First Nation                        |               | Alexandria Council                     |               |
| Gitanyow First Nation                         |               | Kluskus Council (Lhoosk'uz Dene Govt)  |               |
| Gitsegukla First Nation                       |               | Nazko Council                          |               |
| Gitwangak First Nation                        |               | Red Bluff Council (Lhtako Dene Nation) |               |
| Glen Vowell First Nation                      |               | <b>Sidney / North Saanich</b>          | <b>2</b>      |
| Hagwilget First Nation                        |               | Pauquachin First Nation                |               |
| Kispiox First Nation                          |               | Tsartlip First Nation                  |               |
| <b>North Cowichan</b>                         | <b>4</b>      | Tsawout First Nation                   |               |
| Cowichan Tribes                               |               | Tseycum First Nation                   |               |
| <b>North Vancouver</b>                        | <b>1</b>      | <b>Smithers</b>                        | <b>1</b>      |
| Burrard (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nation         |               | Moricetown First Nation                |               |
| Squamish First Nation                         |               | Fort Babine First Nation               |               |
| <b>Northern Rockies</b>                       | <b>2</b>      | <b>Sunshine Coast</b>                  | <b>2</b>      |
| Fort Nelson First Nation                      |               | Sechelt Council                        |               |
| Prophet River First Nation                    |               | <b>Surrey</b>                          | <b>0.5</b>    |
| <b>Oliver</b>                                 | <b>1</b>      | Semiahmoo First Nation                 |               |
| Lower Similkameen First Nation                |               | <b>Takla Landing</b>                   | <b>2</b>      |
| Osoyoos First Nation                          |               | Takla Lake First Nation                |               |
| <b>One Hundred Mile House</b>                 | <b>1</b>      | <b>Terrace</b>                         | <b>1</b>      |
| Canim Lake Council                            |               | Kitselas First Nation                  |               |
| <b>Penticton</b>                              | <b>2</b>      | Kitsumkalum First Nation               |               |
| Penticton Indian Band                         |               | <b>Tsay Keh Dene</b>                   | <b>2</b>      |
| <b>Port Alberni</b>                           |               | Kwadacha First Nation                  |               |
| Hupacasath First Nation                       | <b>2</b>      | Tsay Keh Dene First Nation             |               |
| Tseshah First Nation                          |               | <b>Ucluelet</b>                        | <b>1</b>      |
| Huu-ay-aht First Nation                       | <b>2</b>      | Toquaht First Nation                   |               |
| Uchucklesaht First Nation                     |               | Yuulu?il?ath First Nation              |               |
| <b>Port Hardy</b>                             | <b>2</b>      | <b>Vanderhoof</b>                      | <b>1</b>      |
| Gwa'Sala-Nakwaxda'xw First Nation             |               | Saik'uz First Nation                   |               |
| Kwakiutl First Nation                         |               | <b>Vernon</b>                          | <b>1</b>      |
| Quatsino First Nation                         |               | Okanagan First Nation                  |               |
| <b>Port McNeil (Tahsis)</b>                   | <b>1</b>      | <b>Westshore</b>                       | <b>1</b>      |
| Ka:'yu:'k't'h / Che:k:tlas7et'h' First Nation |               | Esquimalt Council                      |               |
| <b>Powell River</b>                           | <b>1</b>      | Songhees Council                       |               |
| Sliammon Council                              |               | <b>Williams Lake</b>                   |               |
| <b>Prince Rupert</b>                          |               | Canoe Creek First Nation               | <b>2</b>      |
| Gitxaala First Nation                         | <b>3</b>      | Esketemc First Nation                  |               |
| Gitga'at First Nation                         |               | Soda Creek Council                     | <b>2</b>      |
| Kitasoo First Nation                          | <b>2</b>      | Williams Lake Council                  |               |
| Lax-kw'alaams First Nation                    | <b>3</b>      | <b>"E" Division</b>                    |               |
| <b>Queen Charlotte</b>                        | <b>2</b>      | Program Administrator                  | <b>1</b>      |
| Skidegate Council                             |               | Recruiter                              | <b>1</b>      |



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## Municipal Police Statistics, 2019

### RCMP MUNICIPAL UNITS: 15,000 POPULATION AND OVER

| Municipality                                | Population       | Auth. Strength | Adjusted Strength <sup>1</sup> | Pop Per Officer | CCC Offences   | Crime Rate | Case Load | Total Costs <sup>2</sup> | Cost Per Capita |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Burnaby Mun <sup>1</sup>                    | 253,007          | 297            | 317                            | 799             | 16,494         | 65         | 52        | \$59,755,841             | \$236           |
| Campbell River Mun                          | 36,324           | 45             | 45                             | 807             | 4,875          | 134        | 108       | \$10,424,206             | \$287           |
| Chilliwack Mun <sup>1,3</sup>               | 99,007           | 132            | 144                            | 687             | 13,106         | 132        | 91        | \$27,724,102             | \$280           |
| Colwood Mun                                 | 18,880           | 18             | 18                             | 1,073           | 1,008          | 53         | 57        | \$3,835,261              | \$203           |
| Coquitlam Mun <sup>1,3</sup>                | 149,959          | 166            | 176                            | 853             | 8,006          | 53         | 46        | \$33,408,686             | \$223           |
| Courtenay Mun                               | 28,315           | 31             | 31                             | 902             | 3,652          | 129        | 116       | \$6,144,661              | \$217           |
| Cranbrook Mun                               | 21,258           | 26             | 26                             | 818             | 1,931          | 91         | 74        | \$5,837,047              | \$275           |
| Fort St. John Mun                           | 22,051           | 38             | 38                             | 580             | 3,081          | 140        | 81        | \$7,205,622              | \$327           |
| Kamloops Mun                                | 100,046          | 142            | 142                            | 705             | 11,991         | 120        | 84        | \$28,006,769             | \$280           |
| Kelowna Mun                                 | 142,162          | 203            | 203                            | 700             | 18,298         | 129        | 90        | \$40,865,967             | \$287           |
| Langford Mun                                | 42,629           | 51             | 51                             | 836             | 2,703          | 63         | 53        | \$8,496,063              | \$199           |
| Langley City Mun <sup>1</sup>               | 27,718           | 51             | 56                             | 492             | 5,478          | 198        | 97        | \$11,774,258             | \$425           |
| Langley Township Mun <sup>1,3</sup>         | 131,561          | 145            | 156                            | 842             | 10,312         | 78         | 66        | \$33,652,473             | \$256           |
| Maple Ridge Mun <sup>1,3</sup>              | 91,510           | 102            | 111                            | 824             | 9,546          | 104        | 86        | \$24,776,003             | \$271           |
| Mission Mun <sup>1</sup>                    | 43,202           | 53             | 58                             | 747             | 4,398          | 102        | 76        | \$10,992,759             | \$254           |
| Nanaimo Mun <sup>3</sup>                    | 100,217          | 145            | 145                            | 691             | 16,355         | 163        | 113       | \$29,216,416             | \$292           |
| North Cowichan Mun                          | 32,131           | 32             | 32                             | 1,004           | 3,650          | 114        | 114       | \$6,604,061              | \$206           |
| North Vancouver City Mun <sup>1,4</sup>     | 57,957           | 68             | 69                             | 845             | 4,326          | 75         | 63        | \$14,906,094             | \$257           |
| North Vancouver District Mun <sup>1,4</sup> | 92,204           | 87             | 87                             | 1,060           | 3,908          | 42         | 45        | \$18,820,339             | \$204           |
| Penticton Mun                               | 36,425           | 47             | 47                             | 775             | 7,975          | 219        | 170       | \$9,378,290              | \$257           |
| Pitt Meadows Mun <sup>1</sup>               | 19,728           | 23             | 25                             | 795             | 1,471          | 75         | 59        | \$5,260,268              | \$267           |
| Port Alberni Mun                            | 18,751           | 34             | 34                             | 552             | 3,253          | 173        | 96        | \$7,547,157              | \$402           |
| Port Coquitlam Mun <sup>1,3</sup>           | 63,300           | 76             | 81                             | 785             | 4,051          | 64         | 50        | \$14,909,379             | \$236           |
| Prince George Mun                           | 81,323           | 142            | 142                            | 573             | 19,039         | 234        | 134       | \$28,594,776             | \$352           |
| Richmond Mun <sup>1,5</sup>                 | 212,276          | 270            | 277                            | 766             | 12,383         | 58         | 45        | \$57,433,154             | \$271           |
| Salmon Arm Mun                              | 19,121           | 19             | 19                             | 1,006           | 1,381          | 72         | 73        | \$3,718,474              | \$194           |
| Squamish Mun <sup>1,3</sup>                 | 20,879           | 25             | 27                             | 771             | 1,580          | 76         | 58        | \$5,472,411              | \$262           |
| Surrey Mun <sup>1,6,7,8</sup>               | 584,851          | 843            | 845                            | 692             | 45,431         | 78         | 54        | \$165,876,069            | \$284           |
| Vernon Mun                                  | 43,278           | 56             | 56                             | 773             | 6,680          | 154        | 119       | \$12,010,152             | \$278           |
| West Kelowna Mun                            | 35,818           | 29             | 29                             | 1,235           | 2,317          | 65         | 80        | \$5,948,585              | \$166           |
| White Rock Mun <sup>1</sup>                 | 21,027           | 25             | 26                             | 816             | 1,546          | 74         | 60        | \$5,290,405              | \$252           |
| <b>Total</b>                                | <b>2,646,915</b> | <b>3,421</b>   | <b>3,512</b>                   | <b>754</b>      | <b>250,225</b> | <b>95</b>  | <b>71</b> | <b>\$703,885,748</b>     | <b>\$266</b>    |

### RCMP MUNICIPAL UNITS: 5,000 TO 14,999 POPULATION

| Municipality                  | Population | Auth. Strength | Adjusted Strength <sup>1</sup> | Pop Per Officer | CCC Offences | Crime Rate | Case Load | Total Costs <sup>2</sup> | Cost Per Capita |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Armstrong Mun <sup>9,10</sup> | 5,494      | 4              | 4                              | 1,374           | 258          | 47         | 65        | \$526,558                | \$96            |
| Castlegar Mun                 | 8,631      | 13             | 13                             | 664             | 802          | 93         | 62        | \$2,105,233              | \$244           |
| Coldstream Mun                | 11,383     | 7              | 7                              | 1,626           | 357          | 31         | 51        | \$937,487                | \$82            |
| Comox Mun                     | 14,976     | 12             | 12                             | 1,291           | 669          | 45         | 58        | \$1,766,675              | \$118           |
| Creston Mun <sup>10</sup>     | 5,564      | 7              | 7                              | 795             | 519          | 93         | 74        | \$993,192                | \$179           |
| Dawson Creek Mun              | 12,981     | 25             | 25                             | 519             | 2,098        | 162        | 84        | \$4,372,309              | \$337           |
| Fernie Mun <sup>9,10</sup>    | 6,039      | 6              | 6                              | 1,007           | 284          | 47         | 47        | \$787,221                | \$130           |
| Hope Mun <sup>1</sup>         | 6,667      | 13             | 14                             | 473             | 1,537        | 231        | 109       | \$2,368,363              | \$355           |
| Kent Mun <sup>1</sup>         | 6,704      | 6              | 7                              | 1,022           | 480          | 72         | 73        | \$1,052,973              | \$157           |
| Kimberley Mun                 | 8,038      | 8              | 8                              | 1,005           | 268          | 33         | 34        | \$1,132,747              | \$141           |

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## RCMP MUNICIPAL UNITS: 5,000 TO 14,999 POPULATION, CONTINUED

| Municipality                   | Population     | Auth. Strength | Adjusted Strength <sup>1</sup> | Pop Per Officer | CCC Offences  | Crime Rate | Case Load | Total Costs <sup>2</sup> | Cost Per Capita |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Kitimat Mun                    | 8,200          | 18             | 18                             | 456             | 832           | 101        | 46        | \$2,798,578              | \$341           |
| Ladysmith Mun                  | 9,048          | 7              | 7                              | 1,293           | 495           | 55         | 71        | \$835,870                | \$92            |
| Lake Country Mun <sup>10</sup> | 15,143         | 13             | 13                             | 1,165           | 693           | 46         | 53        | \$2,199,019              | \$145           |
| Merritt Mun                    | 7,727          | 15             | 15                             | 515             | 1,715         | 222        | 114       | \$2,210,495              | \$286           |
| North Saanich Mun              | 11,876         | 11             | 11                             | 1,080           | 349           | 29         | 32        | \$1,727,040              | \$146           |
| Osoyoos Mun <sup>9,10</sup>    | 5,482          | 6              | 6                              | 914             | 407           | 74         | 68        | \$1,012,966              | \$185           |
| Parksville Mun                 | 13,354         | 17             | 17                             | 786             | 1,646         | 123        | 97        | \$2,506,620              | \$188           |
| Peachland Mun                  | 5,696          | 4              | 4                              | 1,424           | 286           | 50         | 72        | \$698,827                | \$123           |
| Powell River Mun               | 13,829         | 19             | 19                             | 728             | 1,650         | 119        | 87        | \$2,881,606              | \$208           |
| Prince Rupert Mun              | 13,054         | 36             | 36                             | 363             | 2,942         | 225        | 82        | \$5,427,980              | \$416           |
| Qualicum Beach Mun             | 9,166          | 8              | 8                              | 1,146           | 341           | 37         | 43        | \$968,995                | \$106           |
| Quesnel Mun                    | 10,392         | 23             | 23                             | 452             | 2,974         | 286        | 129       | \$4,236,141              | \$408           |
| Revelstoke Mun                 | 8,244          | 14             | 14                             | 589             | 557           | 68         | 40        | \$2,124,942              | \$258           |
| Sechelt Mun <sup>1</sup>       | 10,804         | 11             | 12                             | 916             | 854           | 79         | 72        | \$2,335,565              | \$216           |
| Sidney Mun                     | 12,235         | 15             | 15                             | 816             | 554           | 45         | 37        | \$2,352,700              | \$192           |
| Smithers Mun                   | 5,670          | 9              | 9                              | 630             | 1,058         | 187        | 118       | \$1,745,845              | \$308           |
| Sooke Mun                      | 14,657         | 13             | 13                             | 1,127           | 845           | 58         | 65        | \$2,000,996              | \$137           |
| Spallumcheen Mun               | 5,505          | 4              | 4                              | 1,376           | 193           | 35         | 48        | \$595,030                | \$108           |
| Summerland Mun                 | 12,359         | 9              | 9                              | 1,373           | 702           | 57         | 78        | \$1,570,838              | \$127           |
| Terrace Mun                    | 12,594         | 28             | 28                             | 450             | 3,649         | 290        | 130       | \$4,169,352              | \$331           |
| Trail Mun                      | 8,171          | 14             | 14                             | 584             | 1,196         | 146        | 85        | \$2,439,867              | \$299           |
| View Royal Mun                 | 11,567         | 11             | 11                             | 1,019           | 742           | 64         | 65        | \$1,631,087              | \$141           |
| Whistler Mun <sup>1</sup>      | 13,763         | 24             | 24                             | 584             | 1,185         | 86         | 50        | \$6,759,268              | \$491           |
| Williams Lake Mun              | 11,359         | 25             | 25                             | 454             | 3,303         | 291        | 132       | \$5,000,146              | \$440           |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>336,372</b> | <b>455</b>     | <b>457</b>                     | <b>736</b>      | <b>36,440</b> | <b>108</b> | <b>80</b> | <b>\$76,272,531</b>      | <b>\$227</b>    |

## MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS<sup>8</sup>

| Municipality                      | Population       | Auth. Strength | Adjusted Strength <sup>1</sup> | Pop. Per Officer | CCC Offences   | Crime Rate | Case Load | Total Costs <sup>2</sup> | Cost Per Capita |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Abbotsford Mun <sup>1,3</sup>     | 158,582          | 212            | 218                            | 727              | 9,633          | 61         | 44        | \$53,782,726             | \$339           |
| Central Saanich Mun               | 18,089           | 23             | 23                             | 786              | 493            | 27         | 21        | \$5,438,907              | \$301           |
| Delta Mun <sup>1,3,11</sup>       | 110,443          | 191            | 192                            | 574              | 5,258          | 48         | 27        | \$39,645,838             | \$359           |
| Nelson City Mun                   | 11,359           | 18             | 18                             | 631              | 858            | 76         | 48        | \$3,877,141              | \$341           |
| New Westminster Mun <sup>1</sup>  | 79,737           | 112            | 115                            | 695              | 5,629          | 71         | 49        | \$27,795,594             | \$349           |
| Oak Bay Mun                       | 18,568           | 23             | 23                             | 807              | 627            | 34         | 27        | \$5,138,041              | \$277           |
| Port Moody Mun <sup>1</sup>       | 35,057           | 52             | 53                             | 658              | 1,049          | 30         | 20        | \$12,471,474             | \$356           |
| Saanich Mun                       | 122,173          | 161            | 161                            | 759              | 5,099          | 42         | 32        | \$32,259,573             | \$264           |
| Vancouver Mun <sup>3</sup>        | 687,664          | 1,327          | 1,327                          | 518              | 57,865         | 84         | 44        | \$318,658,229            | \$463           |
| Victoria Mun <sup>12</sup>        | 112,721          | 249            | 249                            | 453              | 13,292         | 118        | 53        | \$56,793,567             | \$504           |
| West Vancouver Mun <sup>1,3</sup> | 47,148           | 79             | 81                             | 581              | 2,459          | 52         | 30        | \$18,276,285             | \$388           |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>1,401,541</b> | <b>2,447</b>   | <b>2,461</b>                   | <b>570</b>       | <b>102,262</b> | <b>73</b>  | <b>42</b> | <b>\$574,137,375</b>     | <b>\$410</b>    |

Footnotes for this table are on page 11.

See *Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers* on page 25 for additional explanatory notes.

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## MUNICIPAL POLICE STATISTICS, 2019

### FOOTNOTES

1. There are 6 Lower Mainland District (LMD) Integrated Teams that provide regional police services to participating LMD RCMP Municipal Police Service, RCMP Provincial Police Service and Municipal Police Department: 1) Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT); 2) Integrated Emergency Response Team (IERT); 3) Integrated Police Dog Service (IPDS); 4) Integrated Forensic Identification Services (IFIS); 5) Integrated Collision Analyst Reconstruction Section (ICARS); and 6) Integrated Internal Investigator (III). **Adjusted strength** is a calculation that adjusts a municipal police agency's authorized strength to account for Integrated Team members who are assigned on a regional basis. For 2019, adjusted strength applies to LMD Integrated Teams participation only. This adjustment is based on a proportional allocation of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) utilization attributable to each municipality's financial contribution to LMD Integrated Teams for the fiscal year 2019/2020. See page 25 for the definition of authorized strength. Some LMD municipalities' authorized strength already includes or accounts for a portion of Integrated Team members; therefore, not all adjustments are a simple addition to authorized strength. The values reported have been rounded up to the nearest whole number after making the adjustments using exact values from the source data.  
  
Participating LMD Integrated Team municipalities and their adjusted strength figures are italicized in the Municipal Police Statistics, 2019 table. The adjusted strength has been used to calculate population per officer and case load.
2. Total Costs refer to actual costs as reported by each municipality. For RCMP municipal services, total costs include the municipality's share of RCMP contract costs, including integrated team costs, (70% or 90%, depending on population) as well as any costs that are borne 100% by the municipality, i.e., accommodation costs. Total costs for municipal police departments refer to 100% of policing costs. As such, comparisons between municipal agencies should be made with caution.
3. Population figures include First Nations reserve populations.
4. The municipalities of North Vancouver City and North Vancouver District include three First Nations reserve lands within their boundaries. The designated land title names for these reserve lands are: Mission 1 (North Vancouver City); and, Seymour Creek 2 and Burrard Inlet 3 (North Vancouver District). Due to inconsistencies in scoring crime data to the appropriate jurisdictions the populations for these reserve lands were assigned to North Vancouver Prov (from 2006 to 2018); prior to 2006 the populations were assigned to North Vancouver District. In 2019, the populations for the reserve lands were realigned from North Vancouver Prov and added to the appropriate municipality. This realignment may result in changes in reporting; crime statistics should be used with caution.
5. In 2019, there were 30 member positions dedicated to airport security at the Vancouver International Airport. These members are administered through the Richmond RCMP Detachment. The strength and cost data for these 30 members is excluded from Richmond because the Vancouver Airport Authority reimburses 100% of the cost to the City of Richmond. Total Vancouver Airport 2019 costs were \$4,980,837.
6. Authorized strength for the City of Surrey includes 3 Community Constables. A Community Constable is an armed, uniformed peace officer at the rank of Special Constable.
7. Statistics for Surrey Prov are included in Surrey Mun.
8. Authorized strengths and their associated costs for the municipal departments have been adjusted to exclude secondments to other agencies (e.g., Justice Institute of British Columbia Police Academy, CFSEU-BC) as cost for these secondments would be borne by the seconded agency.
9. According to the 2016 Canada Census, the municipalities of Armstrong, Fernie and Osoyoos went over 5,000 population, and as a result, became responsible for providing policing within their municipal boundaries. Each of these municipalities signed a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* with the provincial government for the provision of RCMP Municipal services effective April 1, 2017. Conversely, the population of Northern Rockies Regional Municipality went under 5,000 and, as a result, returned to being a provincial responsibility as of April 1, 2017, therefore it is no longer responsible for policing their municipal boundaries.
10. BC Stats population estimates are used for the purpose of the publication; however, the Canada Census is used for determining policing responsibility under the Police Act. As a result, a municipality may show a population below or above the population range in their respective RCMP Municipal Unit cost share categories.
11. Population figures include Tsawwassen First Nation (TFN) land populations. Since 2007, TFN lands are policed by Delta Police Department under a Police Service Agreement between the City of Delta, Delta Police Board and TFN and not included in reported costs. For consistency with previous reporting, Delta Police Department's authorized strength includes one officer position to deliver enhanced, dedicated policing funded under the First Nation Policing Program, under an agreement with Canada, the Province of BC, City of Delta, Delta Police Board and TFN.
12. The Victoria and Esquimalt Police Departments were amalgamated in 2003. In 2019, the population of Victoria was 94,005 persons and Esquimalt's was 18,716 persons. Of the total costs in 2019, \$8,198,390 (14.7%) was paid by Esquimalt for its policing services under the Agreement.

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## Provincial Police Statistics, 2019

### FIRST NATIONS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES

| Policing Jurisdiction             | Population   | Auth. Strength | CCC Offences | Crime Rate | Case Load |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Service | 3,100        | 12             | 300          | 97         | 25        |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>3,100</b> | <b>12</b>      | <b>300</b>   | <b>97</b>  | <b>25</b> |

### JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE RCMP PROVINCIAL SERVICE

| Policing Jurisdiction              | Population | Assigned GD/GIS | CCC Offences | Crime Rate | Case Load |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Agassiz Prov                       | 3,902      | 8               | 800          | 205        | 100       |
| Alert Bay Prov                     | 1,315      | 4               | 173          | 132        | 43        |
| Alexis Creek Prov                  | 1,543      | 6               | 133          | 86         | 22        |
| Anahim Lake Prov                   | 678        | 4               | 99           | 146        | 25        |
| Armstrong Prov <sup>1</sup>        | 517        | 3               | 21           | 41         | 7         |
| Ashcroft Prov                      | 3,846      | 5               | 430          | 112        | 86        |
| Atlin Prov                         | 554        | 3               | 79           | 143        | 26        |
| Barriere Prov                      | 4,129      | 4               | 216          | 52         | 54        |
| Bella Bella Prov                   | 1,718      | 5               | 240          | 140        | 48        |
| Bella Coola Prov                   | 2,175      | 4               | 218          | 100        | 55        |
| Boston Bar Prov                    | 676        | 3               | 122          | 180        | 41        |
| Bowen Island Prov                  | 3,957      | 3               | 111          | 28         | 37        |
| Burns Lake Prov                    | 6,087      | 11              | 674          | 111        | 61        |
| Campbell River Prov                | 5,704      | 7               | 902          | 158        | 129       |
| Chase Prov                         | 8,549      | 9               | 678          | 79         | 75        |
| Chetwynd Prov                      | 5,524      | 10              | 538          | 97         | 54        |
| Chilliwack Prov                    | 6,039      | 8               | 876          | 145        | 110       |
| Clearwater Prov                    | 4,575      | 6               | 272          | 59         | 45        |
| Clinton Prov                       | 1,886      | 4               | 157          | 83         | 39        |
| Columbia Valley Prov               | 10,335     | 11              | 595          | 58         | 54        |
| Comox Valley Prov                  | 29,334     | 19              | 1,252        | 43         | 66        |
| Coquitlam Prov                     | 3,203      | 3               | 82           | 26         | 27        |
| Cranbrook Prov                     | 7,235      | 4               | 266          | 37         | 67        |
| Creston Prov                       | 8,638      | 6               | 372          | 43         | 62        |
| Dawson Creek Prov                  | 7,482      | 4               | 426          | 57         | 107       |
| Dease Lake Prov                    | 1,206      | 7               | 125          | 104        | 18        |
| Duncan Prov                        | 16,036     | 23              | 3,732        | 233        | 162       |
| Elk Valley Prov <sup>2</sup>       | 9,523      | 13              | 453          | 48         | 35        |
| <i>Elkford</i>                     | 2,811      | 3               | 99           | 35         | --        |
| <i>Fernie</i>                      | 2,137      | 4               | 129          | 60         | --        |
| <i>Sparwood</i>                    | 4,575      | 5               | 225          | 49         | --        |
| Enderby Prov                       | 7,305      | 8               | 659          | 90         | 82        |
| Falkland Prov                      | 3,014      | 3               | 108          | 36         | 36        |
| Fort St. James Prov                | 4,431      | 13              | 1,127        | 254        | 87        |
| Fort St. John Prov                 | 14,725     | 10              | 675          | 46         | 68        |
| Fraser Lake Prov                   | 2,805      | 5               | 157          | 56         | 31        |
| Gabriola Island Prov               | 4,418      | 3               | 188          | 43         | 63        |
| Golden Prov                        | 7,486      | 11              | 463          | 62         | 42        |
| Hope Prov                          | 1,551      | 5               | 262          | 169        | 52        |
| Houston Granisle Prov <sup>3</sup> | 4,673      | 9               | 527          | 113        | 59        |
| Hudsons Hope Prov                  | 1,295      | 3               | 58           | 45         | 19        |
| Kelowna Prov                       | 17,336     | 15              | 1,633        | 94         | 109       |
| Keremeos Prov <sup>4</sup>         | 4,966      | 6               | 340          | 68         | 59        |
| Kimberley Prov                     | 2,272      | 2               | 62           | 27         | 31        |

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## JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE RCMP PROVINCIAL SERVICE, CONTINUED

| Policing Jurisdiction                   | Population | Assigned GD/GIS | CCC Offences | Crime Rate | Case Load |
|---|------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Kitimat Prov                            | 484        | 2               | 45           | 93         | 23        |
| Kootenay Boundary Regional <sup>5</sup> | 53,646     | 53              | 2,680        | 50         | 51        |
| <i>Castlegar</i>                        | 6,378      | 3               | 182          | 29         | --        |
| <i>Grand Forks</i>                      | 9,158      | 10              | 635          | 69         | --        |
| <i>Kaslo</i>                            | 2,348      | 3               | 149          | 63         | --        |
| <i>Midway</i>                           | 2,832      | 4               | 292          | 103        | --        |
| <i>Nakusp</i>                           | 3,548      | 4               | 271          | 76         | --        |
| <i>Nelson</i>                           | 12,667     | 6               | 354          | 28         | --        |
| <i>Salmo</i>                            | 2,816      | 4               | 300          | 107        | --        |
| <i>Slocan Lake</i>                      | 2,013      | 3               | 97           | 48         | --        |
| <i>Trail &amp; Greater District</i>     | 11,886     | 8               | 400          | 34         | --        |
| Ladysmith Prov                          | 6,693      | 5               | 445          | 66         | 89        |
| Lake Cowichan Prov                      | 6,848      | 10              | 501          | 73         | 50        |
| Lillooet Prov                           | 3,080      | 7               | 317          | 103        | 45        |
| Lisims-Nass Valley Prov                 | 1,926      | 4               | 294          | 153        | 74        |
| Logan Lake Prov                         | 2,697      | 3               | 145          | 54         | 48        |
| Lumby Prov                              | 6,435      | 5               | 224          | 35         | 45        |
| Lytton Prov                             | 1,874      | 4               | 130          | 69         | 33        |
| Mackenzie Prov                          | 4,201      | 10              | 472          | 112        | 47        |
| Masset Prov                             | 1,899      | 7               | 311          | 164        | 44        |
| McBride Prov                            | 1,794      | 4               | 145          | 81         | 36        |
| Merritt Prov                            | 3,842      | 5               | 224          | 58         | 45        |
| Mission Prov                            | 4,920      | 5               | 320          | 65         | 64        |
| Nanaimo Prov                            | 15,394     | 7               | 1,004        | 65         | 143       |
| New Hazelton Prov                       | 5,737      | 11              | 1,131        | 197        | 103       |
| Nootka Sound Prov                       | 1,936      | 6               | 100          | 52         | 17        |
| North Vancouver Prov <sup>6</sup>       | 49         | 2               | 434          | --         | 217       |
| Northern Rockies Prov                   | 4,967      | 15              | 863          | 174        | 58        |
| Oceanside Prov                          | 27,853     | 12              | 1,413        | 51         | 118       |
| Oliver Prov <sup>4</sup>                | 9,999      | 10              | 1139         | 114        | 117       |
| One Hundred Mile House Prov             | 14,201     | 13              | 915          | 64         | 70        |
| Osoyoos Prov <sup>4</sup>               | 2,453      | 4               | 207          | 84         | 55        |
| Outer Gulf Islands Prov                 | 4,786      | 5               | 160          | 33         | 32        |
| Pemberton Prov                          | 4,771      | 9               | 339          | 71         | 38        |
| Penticton Prov <sup>4</sup>             | 12,246     | 7               | 925          | 76         | 137       |
| Port Alberni Prov                       | 8,188      | 7               | 404          | 49         | 58        |
| Port Alice Prov                         | 710        | 2               | 80           | 113        | 40        |
| Port Hardy Prov                         | 5,587      | 12              | 1,456        | 261        | 121       |
| Port McNeill Prov                       | 4,425      | 9               | 301          | 68         | 33        |
| Powell River Prov                       | 5,799      | 5               | 349          | 60         | 70        |
| Prince George Prov                      | 14,362     | 7               | 685          | 48         | 98        |
| Prince Rupert Prov                      | 1,805      | 6               | 257          | 142        | 43        |
| Princeton Prov                          | 5,473      | 7               | 540          | 99         | 77        |
| Quadra Island Prov                      | 3,902      | 4               | 145          | 37         | 36        |
| Queen Charlotte City Prov               | 2,565      | 5               | 145          | 57         | 29        |
| Quesnel Prov                            | 13,550     | 9               | 750          | 55         | 83        |
| Revelstoke Prov                         | 680        | 2               | 61           | 90         | 31        |
| Ridge Meadows Prov <sup>7,8</sup>       | 10         | 3               | 25           | --         | 8         |
| Salmon Arm Prov                         | 9,965      | 5               | 410          | 41         | 82        |
| Saltspring Island Prov                  | 11,592     | 8               | 732          | 63         | 92        |
| Sayward Prov                            | 796        | 3               | 72           | 90         | 24        |
| Shawnigan Lake Prov                     | 19,670     | 11              | 805          | 41         | 73        |

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## JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE RCMP PROVINCIAL SERVICE, CONTINUED

| Policing Jurisdiction         | Population     | Assigned GD/GIS | CCC Offences  | Crime Rate | Case Load |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|-----------|
| Sicamous Prov                 | 4,078          | 6               | 252           | 62         | 42        |
| Sidney Prov                   | 3,756          | 4               | 272           | 72         | 68        |
| Smithers Prov                 | 7,552          | 6               | 480           | 64         | 80        |
| Sooke Prov                    | 5,208          | 4               | 232           | 45         | 58        |
| Squamish Prov <sup>9,10</sup> | 2,253          | 6               | 113           | 50         | 19        |
| Stewart Prov                  | 419            | 4               | 39            | 93         | 10        |
| Sunshine Coast Prov           | 21,006         | 22              | 1,075         | 51         | 49        |
| T'Kumluvs Prov                | 9,965          | 8               | 831           | 83         | 104       |
| Takla Landing Prov            | 202            | 1               | 67            | 332        | 67        |
| Terrace Prov                  | 7,773          | 7               | 782           | 101        | 112       |
| Texada Island Prov            | 1,106          | 2               | 49            | 44         | 25        |
| Tofino Prov <sup>11</sup>     | 3,838          | 8               | 705           | 184        | 88        |
| Tsay Keh Dene Prov            | 596            | 3               | 353           | 592        | 118       |
| Tumbler Ridge Prov            | 2,215          | 5               | 105           | 47         | 21        |
| Ucluelet Prov                 | 2,538          | 4               | 274           | 108        | 69        |
| University Prov               | 17,541         | 17              | 1,621         | 92         | 95        |
| Valemount Prov                | 1,712          | 6               | 100           | 58         | 17        |
| Vanderhoof Prov               | 8,856          | 13              | 1,013         | 114        | 78        |
| Vernon Prov                   | 12,604         | 9               | 588           | 47         | 65        |
| Wells Prov                    | 345            | 3               | 23            | 67         | 8         |
| West Shore Prov               | 9,773          | 5               | 327           | 33         | 65        |
| Whistler Prov                 | 324            | 4               | 17            | 52         | 4         |
| Williams Lake Prov            | 13,295         | 9               | 682           | 51         | 76        |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>683,408</b> | <b>775</b>      | <b>52,401</b> | <b>77</b>  | <b>68</b> |

### FOOTNOTES

1. The jurisdictional boundaries for Armstrong Prov were realigned when the municipality of Armstrong became responsible for providing policing within their municipal boundary. This may have resulted in inaccurate reporting; therefore, the crime statistics should be used with caution.
2. The Elk Valley Detachment includes Elkford Prov, Fernie Prov, and Sparwood Prov. The Elk Valley Detachment authorized strength total includes one GIS member assigned to the detachment as a whole.
3. In July 2014, Houston Prov and Granisle Prov were formally amalgamated. Prior to this amalgamation, Houston/Granisle operated in an informally amalgamated manner from two Detachment offices; the main office in the District of Houston and the second in the Village of Granisle. The Granisle office remains and functions as a Community Policing Office.
4. In 2003, Oliver and Osoyoos Prov detachments were restructured into the integrated South Okanagan Detachment. From 2006 to 2012, additional GIS positions were assigned to the Detachment as a whole (in 2012, there were 4 GIS positions assigned to the South Okanagan Detachment). Effective 2013, South Okanagan Detachment de-integrated and Oliver Prov and Osoyoos Prov operate as stand-alone detachments and are reflected in this document as separate entities as they currently exist. The additional 4 GIS positions previously assigned to the South Okanagan Detachment continued to provide services to the wider region. In 2016, one of the 4 GIS shared positions was converted to a GD position and specifically assigned to Oliver. The remaining 3 GIS positions service the wider region and were split equally by adding 0.75 to the authorized strengths of Keremeos Prov, Penticton Prov, Oliver Prov and Osoyoos Prov.
5. The Kootenay Boundary Regional Detachment includes: Castlegar Prov, Grand Forks Prov, Kaslo Prov, Midway Prov, Nakusp Prov, Nelson Prov, Salmo Prov, Slocan Lake Prov, and Trail & Greater District Prov. The Kootenay Boundary Regional Detachment authorized strength total includes eight shared GD/GIS (3 officers in charge and 5 GIS) members assigned to the detachment as a whole.
6. The municipalities of North Vancouver City and North Vancouver District include three First Nations reserve lands within their boundaries. The designated land title names for these reserve lands are: Mission 1 (North Vancouver City); and, Seymour Creek 2 and Burrard Inlet 3 (North Vancouver District). Due to inconsistencies in scoring crime data to the appropriate jurisdictions, the populations for these reserve lands were assigned to North Vancouver Prov (from 2006 to 2018). In 2019, the populations for the reserve lands were realigned from North Vancouver Prov and added to the appropriate municipality. This realignment may result in changes in reporting; crime statistics should be used with caution.
7. The crime rate has not been included because it is not a meaningful indicator for Ridge Meadows Prov (due to the small residential population and the relatively large amount of crimes occurring within the Provincial Parks).
8. The integrated Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment is comprised of the following contract jurisdictions: the City of Maple Ridge; the City of Pitt Meadows; and, the Ridge Meadows provincial policing jurisdiction. In 2013/14 the RCMP revised the map boundaries that reside in PRIME-BC for each of the jurisdictions within the Ridge Meadows Detachment. This realignment of jurisdictional boundaries likely resulted in changes in reporting; as a result, CCC volumes and crime rates prior to 2014 for these individual jurisdictions should be used with caution.
9. Squamish Prov includes 1 shared GD/GIS position that is assigned to the Sea-to-Sky Regional Detachment – an RCMP organizational structure that includes Whistler, Pemberton and Bowen Island in addition to Squamish.
10. Previously shown as a provincial GD position, 1 member position provides enhanced dedicated services to the Squamish First Nation reserve lands out of the Squamish Detachment. Due to RCMP changes in reporting lines, this position was re-aligned under the Integrated First Nations Unit, resulting in (-1) to Squamish Prov in 2019.
11. Tofino Prov includes 2 provincial GD positions located in Ahousaht satellite office.



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## Police Statistics Summary, 2019

| Policing Jurisdiction                                  | Population       | Auth. Strength <sup>1</sup> | Pop. Per Officer | CCC Offences   | Crime Rate | Case Load |
|--|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>RCMP MUNICIPAL SERVICES TOTAL</b>                   | <b>2,983,287</b> | <b>3,969</b>                | <b>752</b>       | <b>286,665</b> | <b>96</b>  | <b>72</b> |
| 15,000 Population and Over                             | 2,646,915        | 3,512                       | 754              | 250,225        | 95         | 71        |
| Between 5,000 and 14,999 Population                    | 336,372          | 457                         | 736              | 36,440         | 108        | 80        |
| <b>MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS</b>                    | <b>1,401,541</b> | <b>2,461</b>                | <b>570</b>       | <b>102,262</b> | <b>73</b>  | <b>42</b> |
| <b>RCMP PROVINCIAL DETACHMENTS</b>                     | <b>683,408</b>   | <b>775<sup>2</sup></b>      | <b>882</b>       | <b>52,401</b>  | <b>77</b>  | <b>68</b> |
| <b>FIRST NATIONS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES</b> | <b>3,100</b>     | <b>12</b>                   | <b>258</b>       | <b>300</b>     | <b>97</b>  | <b>25</b> |

See *Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers* on page 25 for additional explanatory notes.

### FOOTNOTES

1. Includes adjusted strength figures for jurisdictions participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams.
2. Represents the number of members assigned to GD/GIS functions at a detachment and does not include members assigned to specialized functions such as traffic enforcement, forensic identification or major case crimes, etc.

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## Government Contributions to Policing, 2019

| Type of Service <sup>1</sup>  | Total Police Costs Paid By: |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|   | Auth. Strength <sup>2</sup> | Population <sup>3</sup> | Mun Govt <sup>4</sup>   | Prov Govt <sup>5</sup> | Fed Govt <sup>6</sup> | Total                  |
| <b>11 Municipal Police Departments<sup>7</sup></b>                  |                             |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
| <b>Total</b>  | 2,461                       | 1,401,541               | \$574,137,375           | -                      | -                     | \$574,137,375          |
| <b>RCMP Municipal Services<sup>8</sup></b>                          |                             |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
| 31 Units 15,000 Population and Over                                 | 3,512                       | 2,646,915               | \$703,885,748           | -                      | \$63,081,551          | \$766,967,299          |
| 34 Units 5000 to 14,999 Population                                  | 457                         | 336,372                 | \$76,272,531            | -                      | \$21,512,023          | \$97,784,554           |
| <b>Total</b>  | 3,969                       | 2,983,287               | \$780,158,279           | -                      | \$84,593,574          | \$864,751,853          |
| <b>RCMP Provincial Service<sup>9</sup></b>                          |                             |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
| <b>Total</b>  | 2,602                       | -                       | -                       | \$394,558,798          | \$168,140,471         | \$562,699,269          |
| <b>First Nations Self-Administered Police Services<sup>10</sup></b> |                             |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
| <b>Total</b>  | 12                          | 3,100                   | -                       | \$1,082,160            | \$1,172,340           | \$2,254,500            |
| <b>First Nations Community Policing Services<sup>11</sup></b>       |                             |                         |                         |                        |                       |                        |
| <b>Total</b>  | 112.5                       | -                       | -                       | \$9,834,142            | \$10,653,654          | \$20,487,796           |
| <b>BRITISH COLUMBIA TOTAL</b>                                       | <b>9,156</b>                | <b>5,071,336</b>        | <b>\$ 1,354,295,654</b> | <b>\$ 405,475,100</b>  | <b>\$264,560,039</b>  | <b>\$2,024,330,793</b> |

See *Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers* on page 25 for additional explanatory notes.

### FOOTNOTES

1. Data for the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (SCBCTAPS) is not included in this table. In 2019, SCBCTAPS had an authorized strength of 183 positions and cost \$39,549,306 (paid for by TransLink, a private company).
2. Includes adjusted strength figures for jurisdictions participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams.
3. Total Population includes 683,408 persons residing within municipalities with populations below 5,000 or unincorporated areas, served by the RCMP Provincial Service in 2019. This figure is not specified within the table under RCMP Provincial Service because it only represents rural/unincorporated detachments. The Provincial Service also provides services to populations served by the entire province (see page 3).
4. Total Costs for municipalities refer to actual costs for calendar year 2019 as reported by each municipality. For further information, see the Total Costs definition on page 26.
5. Police costs paid by the provincial government represent actual costs paid in fiscal year 2019/20.
6. Police costs paid by the federal government represent actual costs paid in fiscal year 2019/20 for their share of municipal and provincial policing costs only; these figures only represent their share of the contract costs and exclude costs borne by the federal government which are over and above the contract costs. These figures also do not include the costs to Canada for Federal Service members operating in BC.
7. Total Costs for municipal police departments represent 100% of policing costs.
8. Total Costs for RCMP municipal services include the municipality's share of RCMP contract costs (70% or 90%, depending on population) as well as any costs that are borne 100% by the municipality, i.e., accommodation costs, support staff. Data for dedicated airport security positions at the Vancouver International Airport is not included in this table. In 2019, the Vancouver International Airport had an authorized strength of 30. These positions were administered through the Richmond RCMP detachment; the Vancouver Airport Authority reimbursed 100% of the cost to the City of Richmond. Total Vancouver Airport costs in 2019 were \$4,980,837.
9. Total Costs paid by the provincial government include funding for the Front-Line Resource Reallocation initiative. Resulting changes in authorized strength for impacted units will be reflected in the next year's publication.
10. Total Costs paid by the provincial government include additional funding for police equipment, contract services and professional fees.
11. Authorized strength includes Aboriginal Community Constable Program members, which are gradually being converted to Community Tripartite Agreement under the First Nations Community Policing Services (FNCPs). In 2019, the authorized strength increased to 112.5, and the additional positions will be reflected in next year's publication. Costs associated with enhanced police services provided by Delta Police Department to Tsawwassen First Nation (TFN), which are shared by the provincial and federal governments (48% and 52% respectively), are not included within this table. In 2019, the provincial government contributed \$89,440 and the federal government contributed \$96,893 for the position providing this enhanced service to TFN. The position is included in the authorized strength for Delta Police Department.

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## British Columbia Authorized Strength<sup>1</sup> by Responsibility 2010-2019

| POLICING RESPONSIBILITY   | 2010         | 2011         | 2012         | 2013         | 2014         | 2015          | 2016          | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>RCMP DIVISION ADMINISTRATION<sup>2</sup></b>                                 | <b>115</b>   | <b>113</b>   | <b>109</b>   | <b>97</b>    | <b>111</b>   | <b>103</b>    | <b>101</b>    | <b>99</b>     | <b>99</b>     | <b>99</b>     |
| <b>RCMP FEDERAL SERVICE</b>   | <b>1,029</b> | <b>1,035</b> | <b>1,028</b> | <b>1,021</b> | <b>1,058</b> | <b>1,038</b>  | <b>1,050</b>  | <b>1,059</b>  | <b>1,044</b>  | <b>1,038</b>  |
| <i>Federal Criminal Law</i>   | <i>876</i>   | <i>875</i>   | <i>888</i>   | <i>886</i>   | <i>906</i>   | <i>905</i>    | <i>918</i>    | <i>928</i>    | <i>911</i>    | <i>903</i>    |
| <i>Protective Policing</i>  | <i>153</i>   | <i>160</i>   | <i>140</i>   | <i>135</i>   | <i>152</i>   | <i>133</i>    | <i>132</i>    | <i>131</i>    | <i>133</i>    | <i>135</i>    |
| <b>RCMP PROVINCIAL SERVICE<sup>3</sup></b>                                      | <b>2,306</b> | <b>2,306</b> | <b>2,602</b> | <b>2,602</b> | <b>2,602</b> | <b>2,602</b>  | <b>2,602</b>  | <b>2,602</b>  | <b>2,602</b>  | <b>2,602</b>  |
| <i>Provincial, District &amp; Specialized Resources</i>                         | <i>1,551</i> | <i>1,543</i> | <i>1,833</i> | <i>1,834</i> | <i>1,830</i> | <i>1,830</i>  | <i>1,827</i>  | <i>1,829</i>  | <i>1,829</i>  | <i>1,827</i>  |
| <i>Provincial Detachments – General Duty &amp; Investigations</i>               | <i>755</i>   | <i>763</i>   | <i>769</i>   | <i>768</i>   | <i>772</i>   | <i>772</i>    | <i>775</i>    | <i>773</i>    | <i>773</i>    | <i>775</i>    |
| <b>RCMP MUNICIPAL SERVICE</b>   | <b>3,352</b> | <b>3,349</b> | <b>3,388</b> | <b>3,429</b> | <b>3,468</b> | <b>3,606</b>  | <b>3,672</b>  | <b>3,730</b>  | <b>3,799</b>  | <b>3,876</b>  |
| <b>MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS</b>   | <b>2,399</b> | <b>2,406</b> | <b>2,404</b> | <b>2,407</b> | <b>2,405</b> | <b>2,407</b>  | <b>2,422</b>  | <b>2,429</b>  | <b>2,440</b>  | <b>2,447</b>  |
| <b>FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY POLICE SERVICES<sup>4</sup></b>                      | <b>108.5</b> | <b>108.5</b> | <b>108.5</b> | <b>108.5</b> | <b>108.5</b> | <b>108.5</b>  | <b>108.5</b>  | <b>108.5</b>  | <b>108.5</b>  | <b>112.5</b>  |
| <b>FIRST NATIONS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES</b>                          | <b>10</b>    | <b>8</b>     | <b>8</b>     | <b>9</b>     | <b>10</b>    | <b>10</b>     | <b>10</b>     | <b>10</b>     | <b>10</b>     | <b>12</b>     |
| <b>SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE<sup>5</sup></b> | <b>167</b>   | <b>167</b>   | <b>167</b>   | <b>167</b>   | <b>167</b>   | <b>167</b>    | <b>167</b>    | <b>175</b>    | <b>183</b>    | <b>183</b>    |
| <b>VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT<sup>6</sup></b>                              | <b>27</b>    | <b>27</b>    | <b>27</b>    | <b>27</b>    | <b>27</b>    | <b>27</b>     | <b>27</b>     | <b>27</b>     | <b>27</b>     | <b>30</b>     |
| <b>VICTORIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT<sup>7</sup></b>                               | <b>2</b>     | <b>2</b>     | <b>2</b>     | <b>0</b>     | <b>0</b>     | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>      |
| <b>BRITISH COLUMBIA TOTAL</b>   | <b>9,516</b> | <b>9,522</b> | <b>9,844</b> | <b>9,868</b> | <b>9,958</b> | <b>10,070</b> | <b>10,159</b> | <b>10,239</b> | <b>10,312</b> | <b>10,400</b> |

See *Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers* on page 25 for additional explanatory notes.

### FOOTNOTES

- Adjusted strength figures are not available for depictions of 10-year trend data. As a result, only authorized strengths are used in this table. See page 25 for the definition of authorized strength.
- Due to an RCMP calculation error, the 10-Year authorized strength figures for the RCMP Division Administration have been adjusted. See data qualifier 8 on page 26.
- In 2012, the number of authorized strength positions under Annex A of the *Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA)* was adjusted upon signing the 2012 Agreement.
- Authorized strength figures include Aboriginal Community Constable Program (ACCP) members. ACCP positions are gradually being converted to Community Tripartite Agreement under the First Nations Community Policing Services (FNCPS).
- The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (SCBCTAPS) was formed as a transit security department in October 2004, and converted to a designated police unit under the *Police Act* on December 4, 2005.
- Vancouver Airport Authority signed a supplemental agreement to Richmond's *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* in 2012. At that time, the City of Richmond assumed the administrative and financial functions for payment of enhanced RCMP policing services to the airport through the Richmond RCMP detachment. The airport authority reimburses Richmond 100% of the cost for the airport police. Authorized strength data for Richmond does not include Vancouver International Airport positions.
- Victoria Airport Authority signed a supplemental agreement to North Saanich's *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* in 2006. At that time, the District of North Saanich assumed the administrative and financial functions for payment of enhanced RCMP policing services to the airport through the North Saanich RCMP detachment. The airport authority reimbursed North Saanich 100% of the cost for the airport police. Effective April 2013, the Victoria Airport Authority agreement for dedicated police services ended and was not continued.

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## Authorized Strength by Jurisdiction, 2010-2019

| Policing Jurisdiction <sup>1</sup> | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Abbotsford Mun                     | 210  | 210  | 208  | 209  | 204  | 204  | 204  | 206  | 210  | 212  |
| Agassiz Prov <sup>1</sup>          | 7    | 7    | 7    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Alert Bay Prov                     | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Alexis Creek Prov                  | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Anahim Lake Prov                   | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Armstrong Mun <sup>1</sup>         | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | 3    | 3    | 4    |
| Armstrong Prov <sup>1</sup>        | 8    | 8    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Ashcroft Prov                      | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Atlin Prov                         | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Barriere Prov                      | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Bella Bella Prov                   | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Bella Coola Prov                   | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Boston Bar Prov                    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Bowen Island Prov                  | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Burnaby Mun                        | 277  | 277  | 277  | 277  | 277  | 277  | 277  | 277  | 285  | 297  |
| Burns Lake Prov                    | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Campbell River Mun                 | 43   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 45   | 45   |
| Campbell River Prov                | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Castlegar Mun                      | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| Central Saanich Mun                | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   |
| Chase Prov                         | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Chetwynd Prov                      | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| Chilliwack Mun                     | 104  | 105  | 106  | 107  | 107  | 108  | 110  | 120  | 125  | 132  |
| Chilliwack Prov                    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Clearwater Prov                    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Clinton Prov                       | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Coldstream Mun                     | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Columbia Valley Prov               | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Colwood Mun                        | 16   | 16   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 18   |
| Comox Mun <sup>2</sup>             | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   |
| Comox Valley Prov                  | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   |
| Coquitlam Mun                      | 148  | 152  | 152  | 152  | 152  | 156  | 162  | 162  | 162  | 166  |
| Coquitlam Prov                     | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Courtenay Mun                      | 28   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 31   |
| Cranbrook Mun                      | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   | 26   |
| Cranbrook Prov                     | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Creston Mun <sup>1</sup>           | --   | --   | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Creston Prov                       | 13   | 13   | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Dawson Creek Mun                   | 24   | 24   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   |
| Dawson Creek Prov                  | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Dease Lake Prov                    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Delta Mun                          | 165  | 170  | 170  | 170  | 173  | 173  | 180  | 185  | 190  | 191  |
| Duncan Prov                        | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   |

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## Authorized Strength by Jurisdiction, 2010-2019, Continued

| Policing Jurisdiction <sup>1</sup>                 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Elk Valley Detachment <sup>1,3</sup>               | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| <i>Elkford Prov</i>                                | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| <i>Fernie Prov</i>                                 | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| <i>Sparwood Prov</i>                               | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Enderby Prov                                       | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Falkland Prov                                      | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Fernie Mun <sup>1</sup>                            | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | 5    | 5    | 6    |
| Fort St. James Prov                                | 14   | 14   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| Fort St. John Mun                                  | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 36   | 36   | 38   | 38   | 38   |
| Fort St. John Prov                                 | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| Fraser Lake Prov                                   | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Gabriola Island Prov                               | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Golden Prov  | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Hope Mun   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| Hope Prov  | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Houston Granisle Detachment <sup>4</sup>           | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Hudsons Hope Prov                                  | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Kamloops Mun                                       | 124  | 124  | 124  | 124  | 124  | 136  | 136  | 136  | 142  | 142  |
| Kelowna Mun  | 156  | 160  | 174  | 177  | 179  | 185  | 191  | 191  | 195  | 203  |
| Kelowna Prov <sup>1</sup>                          | 18   | 18   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   |
| Kent Mun <sup>1</sup>                              | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Keremeos Prov <sup>5</sup>                         | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Kimberley Mun                                      | 9    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Kimberley Prov                                     | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Kitimat Mun  | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 16   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   |
| Kitimat Prov                                       | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Kootenay Boundary Regional Detachment <sup>6</sup> | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   | 53   |
| <i>Castlegar Prov</i>                              | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| <i>Grand Forks Prov</i>                            | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| <i>Kaslo Prov</i>                                  | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| <i>Midway Prov</i>                                 | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| <i>Nakusp Prov</i>                                 | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| <i>Nelson Prov</i>                                 | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| <i>Salmo Prov</i>                                  | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| <i>Slocan Lake Prov</i>                            | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| <i>Trail &amp; Greater District Prov</i>           | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Ladysmith Mun                                      | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Ladysmith Prov                                     | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Lake Country Mun                                   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 13   | 13   |
| Lake Cowichan Prov <sup>1</sup>                    | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| Langford Mun                                       | 26   | 27   | 28   | 29   | 30   | 30   | 38   | 42   | 42   | 51   |
| Langley City Mun                                   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 51   | 51   | 51   |
| Langley Township Mun                               | 133  | 133  | 134  | 134  | 135  | 138  | 140  | 140  | 144  | 145  |
| Lillooet Prov                                      | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |

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|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Lisims-Nass Valley Prov            | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Logan Lake Prov                    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Lumby Prov                         | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Lytton Prov                        | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Mackenzie Prov <sup>1</sup>        | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| Maple Ridge Mun                    | 89   | 89   | 89   | 93   | 94   | 96   | 97   | 101  | 102  | 102  |
| Masset Prov                        | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| McBride Prov                       | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Merritt Mun                        | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   |
| Merritt Prov                       | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Mission Mun                        | 52   | 52   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 51   | 52   | 53   | 53   |
| Mission Prov                       | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Nanaimo Mun                        | 135  | 135  | 140  | 145  | 145  | 145  | 145  | 145  | 145  | 145  |
| Nanaimo Prov                       | 6    | 6    | 6    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Nelson City Mun                    | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 17   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 18   | 18   |
| New Hazelton Prov                  | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| New Westminster Mun                | 108  | 108  | 108  | 108  | 108  | 108  | 110  | 110  | 112  | 112  |
| Nootka Sound Prov                  | 5    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| North Cowichan Mun                 | 30   | 30   | 31   | 31   | 31   | 31   | 31   | 31   | 32   | 32   |
| North Saanich Mun                  | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| North Vancouver City Mun           | 64   | 64   | 64   | 64   | 64   | 64   | 64   | 65   | 66   | 68   |
| North Vancouver District Mun       | 91   | 91   | 91   | 91   | 91   | 91   | 91   | 90   | 89   | 87   |
| North Vancouver Prov               | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Northern Rockies Mun <sup>1</sup>  | 11   | 11   | --   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | --   | --   | --   |
| Northern Rockies Prov <sup>1</sup> | 4    | 4    | 15   | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 15   | 15   | 15   |
| Oak Bay Mun                        | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23   |
| Oceanside Prov                     | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   |
| Oliver Prov <sup>1,5</sup>         | 10   | 10   | 10   | 9    | 9    | 9    | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
| One Hundred Mile House Prov        | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| Osoyoos Mun <sup>1</sup>           | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | 5    | 5    | 6    |
| Osoyoos Prov <sup>1,5</sup>        | 8    | 8    | 8    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Outer Gulf Islands Prov            | 4    | 4    | 4    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Parksville Mun                     | 16   | 16   | 16   | 16   | 16   | 16   | 16   | 16   | 17   | 17   |
| Peachland Mun <sup>1</sup>         | --   | --   | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Pemberton Prov                     | 10   | 10   | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Penticton Mun                      | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 46   | 47   |
| Penticton Prov <sup>5</sup>        | 6    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Pitt Meadows Mun                   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 23   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 23   | 23   | 23   |
| Port Alberni Mun                   | 35   | 35   | 35   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   | 34   |
| Port Alberni Prov                  | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Port Alice Prov                    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Port Coquitlam Mun                 | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 71   | 74   | 74   | 76   |
| Port Hardy Prov                    | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   |
| Port McNeill Prov                  | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Port Moody Mun                     | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   | 51   | 51   | 51   | 51   | 52   | 52   |



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| Policing Jurisdiction <sup>1</sup> | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Powell River Mun                   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   |
| Powell River Prov                  | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Prince George Mun                  | 130  | 128  | 128  | 128  | 128  | 135  | 138  | 140  | 142  | 142  |
| Prince George Prov                 | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Prince Rupert Mun                  | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   | 36   |
| Prince Rupert Prov <sup>7</sup>    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Princeton Prov                     | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Quadra Island Prov                 | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Qualicum Beach Mun                 | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Queen Charlotte City Prov          | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Quesnel Mun                        | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 21   | 23   |
| Quesnel Prov                       | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Revelstoke Mun                     | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 12   | 13   | 13   | 14   |
| Revelstoke Prov                    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Richmond Mun <sup>8</sup>          | 211  | 211  | 211  | 211  | 212  | 212  | 224  | 235  | 251  | 270  |
| Ridge Meadows Prov                 | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Saanich Mun                        | 152  | 154  | 154  | 156  | 156  | 157  | 161  | 161  | 161  | 161  |
| Salmon Arm Mun                     | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 19   |
| Salmon Arm Prov                    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Saltspring Island Prov             | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Sayward Prov                       | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Sechelt Mun                        | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Shawnigan Lake Prov                | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Sicamous Prov                      | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Sidney Mun                         | 14   | 14   | 14   | 14   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   |
| Sidney Prov                        | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Smithers Mun                       | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Smithers Prov                      | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    |
| Sooke Mun                          | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 12   | 13   | 13   | 13   |
| Sooke Prov                         | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Spallumcheen Mun <sup>1</sup>      | --   | --   | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    |
| Squamish Mun                       | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   |
| Squamish Prov <sup>9</sup>         | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 6    |
| Stewart Prov                       | 3    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Summerland Mun                     | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Sunshine Coast Prov <sup>1</sup>   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   | 22   |
| Surrey Mun <sup>10,11</sup>        | 641  | 651  | 661  | 673  | 703  | 803  | 819  | 831  | 843  | 843  |
| Surrey Prov <sup>11</sup>          | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   |
| T'Kumlups Prov                     | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Takla Landing Prov                 | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| Terrace Mun                        | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   | 28   |
| Terrace Prov                       | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7    |
| Texada Island Prov                 | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Tofino Prov                        | 6    | 6    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |

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| Policing Jurisdiction <sup>1</sup> | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  | 2016  | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Trail Mun                          | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    | 14    |
| Tsay Keh Dene Prov                 | 2     | 2     | 2     | 2     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     |
| Tumbler Ridge Prov                 | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     |
| Ucluelet Prov                      | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     |
| University Prov                    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    | 17    |
| Valemount Prov                     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 6     | 6     | 6     | 6     | 6     | 6     | 6     |
| Vancouver Mun                      | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 | 1,327 |
| Vanderhoof Prov <sup>12</sup>      | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 10    | 10    | 10    | 13    |
| Vernon Mun                         | 65    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    | 56    |
| Vernon Prov                        | 12    | 12    | 12    | 12    | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     |
| Victoria Mun <sup>1</sup>          | 243   | 243   | 243   | 243   | 243   | 243   | 245   | 245   | 245   | 249   |
| View Royal Mun                     | 8     | 8     | 8     | 8     | 9     | 9     | 10    | 10    | 10    | 11    |
| Wells Prov                         | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 3     |
| West Kelowna Mun <sup>1</sup>      | 21    | 21    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 24    | 26    | 28    | 29    |
| West Shore Prov                    | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     | 5     |
| West Vancouver Mun                 | 81    | 81    | 81    | 81    | 80    | 79    | 79    | 79    | 79    | 79    |
| Whistler Mun                       | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    |
| Whistler Prov                      | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     | 4     |
| White Rock Mun                     | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 23    | 25    | 25    |
| Williams Lake Mun                  | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 24    | 25    | 25    | 25    |
| Williams Lake Prov                 | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     | 9     |

Adjusted strength figures are not available for depictions of 10-year trend data. As a result, only authorized strengths and assigned GD/GIS for the Provincial Service are used in this table. See *Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers* on page 25 for additional explanatory notes.

### FOOTNOTES

- The following policing jurisdictions have been opened or closed subsequent to Canada Census results or detachment/departamental amalgamations. Where jurisdictions have been amalgamated, the data shown reflect the total reporting for both the present jurisdiction and the absorbed jurisdiction up to and including the year in which the jurisdictions were amalgamated.
  - 2003: Sparwood Prov, Fernie Prov and Elkford Prov were restructured into Elk Valley Detachment. Oliver Prov and Osoyoos Prov were restructured into South Okanagan Detachment. Sechelt Prov and Gibsons Prov amalgamated into Sunshine Coast Prov. Esquimalt Police Department amalgamated with the Victoria Police Department.
  - 2004: Ditidaht First Nations Self-Administered Police Service (FNSAPS) was closed and Lake Cowichan RCMP provincial detachment assumed policing responsibilities for the area.
  - 2007: As a result of the 2006 Canada Census, the Township of Spallumcheen and the District of Mackenzie went under 5,000 population. Spallumcheen reverted to a provincial service jurisdiction effective April 1, 2007. Mackenzie reverted to a provincial service jurisdiction on April 1, 2008.
  - 2009: The District of West Kelowna incorporated in 2007 with a population exceeding 15,000. The District continued to be policed by the provincial service as part of Kelowna Prov until they signed a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* effective April 1, 2009. According to the 2006 Canada Census, the District of Kent went over 5,000 population. The District was policed by Agassiz Prov until they signed a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* effective April 1, 2009.
  - 2010: The former Northern Rockies Regional District incorporated as the first regional municipality in BC in 2009. The Northern Rockies Regional Municipality continued to be policed by the provincial service as part of Fort Nelson Prov until they signed a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* effective April 1, 2010. The municipality was policed by Northern Rockies Mun from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2012 (see also below) and the remaining area was policed by Northern Rockies Prov during this time (for the purposes of this table "Fort Nelson Prov" figures are reported under "Northern Rockies Prov").

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- 2012: According to the 2011 Canada Census, the municipalities of Creston, Peachland and Spallumcheen went over 5,000 population and, as a result, became responsible for providing police services within their municipal boundaries. Each of these municipalities signed a *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* with the provincial government for the provision of RCMP municipal services effective April 1, 2012. Prior to 2012, Creston was policed by Creston Prov; Peachland was policed by Kelowna Prov; and Spallumcheen was policed by Armstrong Prov. In addition, due to 2011 Canada Census results, Northern Rockies Regional Municipality (NRRM) fell below 5,000 population, and responsibility for policing the municipality reverted back to the provincial service (Northern Rockies Prov) effective April 1, 2012.
- 2013: NRRM appealed their Census population figure with Statistics Canada. An investigation was conducted and Statistics Canada revised NRRM's Census count to 5,290. As a result, NRRM again became responsible for policing within its municipal boundaries effective April 1, 2013.
- 2017: According to the 2016 Canada Census, the municipalities of Armstrong, Fernie and Osoyoos went over 5,000 population and, as a result, became responsible for providing policing within their municipal boundaries, effective April 1, 2017. In addition, due to 2016 Canada Census results, Northern Rockies Regional Municipality (NRRM) fell below 5,000 population, and responsibility for policing the municipality reverted back to the provincial service (Northern Rockies Prov) effective April 1, 2017.
2. In 2017, Comox Mun reduced its authorized strength to 11.3 to reflect the deeming of civilian members into the Federal public service. The deeming date has been postponed and therefore, the authorized strength remains at 11.6 (shown as 12).
  3. The Elk Valley Detachment includes three provincial policing jurisdictions: Elkford Prov, Fernie Prov, and Sparwood Prov. Starting in 2010, the Elk Valley Detachment authorized strength total included one GIS member assigned to the detachment as a whole.
  4. In July 2014, Houston Prov and Granisle Prov were formally amalgamated. Prior to this amalgamation, Houston/Granisle operated in an informally amalgamated manner from two Detachment offices; the main office in the District of Houston and the second in the Village of Granisle. The Granisle office remains and functions as a Community Policing Office.
  5. In 2003, Oliver and Osoyoos Prov detachments were restructured into the integrated South Okanagan Detachment. From 2006 to 2012, additional GIS positions were assigned to the Detachment as a whole (in 2012, there were 4 GIS positions assigned to the South Okanagan Detachment). Effective 2013, South Okanagan Detachment de-integrated and Oliver Prov and Osoyoos Prov operate as stand-alone detachments and are reflected in this document as separate entities as they currently exist. The additional 4 GIS positions previously assigned to the South Okanagan Detachment continued to provide services to the wider region. In 2016, one of the 4 GIS shared positions was converted to a GD position and exclusively assigned to Oliver. The remaining 3 GIS positions service the wider region and were split equally by adding 0.75 to the authorized strengths of Keremeos Prov, Penticton Prov, Oliver Prov and Osoyoos Prov.
  6. The Kootenay Boundary Regional Detachment includes nine provincial policing jurisdictions: Castlegar Prov, Grand Forks Prov, Kaslo Prov, Midway Prov, Nakusp Prov, Nelson Prov, Salmo Prov, Slocan Lake Prov, and Trail & Greater District Prov. The Kootenay Boundary Regional Detachment authorized strength total includes eight shared GD/GIS (3 officers in charge and 5 GIS) members assigned to the detachment as a whole.
  7. In 2010, the Coastal Policing Unit in Prince Rupert took over policing of the Kitasoo/Klemtu area; increasing its authorized strength by two members.
  8. Vancouver Airport Authority signed a supplemental agreement to Richmond's *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* in 2012. At that time, the City of Richmond assumed the administrative and financial functions for payment of dedicated RCMP policing services to the Vancouver airport through the Richmond RCMP detachment. The Airport Authority reimburses Richmond 100% of the cost for these services. Authorized strength data for Richmond does not include Vancouver International Airport positions.
  9. Previously shown as a provincial GD position, 1 member position provides enhanced dedicated services to the Squamish First Nation reserve lands out of the Squamish Detachment. Due to RCMP changes in reporting lines, this position was re-aligned under the Integrated First Nations Unit, resulting in (-1) to Squamish Prov in 2019.
  10. Authorized strength for the City of Surrey includes 3 Community Constables. A Community Constable is an armed, uniformed peace officer at the rank of Special Constable.
  11. As of 2007, statistics for Surrey Prov are included in Surrey Mun.
  12. In 2019, Vanderhoof Prov increased by 3 members; 1 converted from a specialized position and 2 officers reallocated from within the Provincial Service.

## Impact of Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Scoring Rule Changes

Comparisons of crime statistics between jurisdictions, provinces, and years should be made with caution, as many factors influence police-reported crime statistics other than actual changes in crime, such as demographic changes, social and economic trends, public reporting practices to police, technological advancements, legislative amendments, local police service priorities, social perceptions and attitudes towards certain crimes, and other factors.

Changes in 2018 and 2019 are attributable in part to changes in reporting practices.

In January 2018, Statistics Canada updated the definitions of “founded” and “unfounded” crimes in its reporting methodology for police services across Canada. The new definitions represent a “victim-centred approach” to recording crimes, which means it is to be believed that the crime occurred (“founded”) unless there is credible evidence to prove it did not (“unfounded”). Statistics Canada predicted that as a result of these changes, the number of “founded” incidents for some types of crimes, including sexual assault, likely would increase and the clearance rate for these crimes likely would decrease.

Many police agencies across Canada implemented these changes at varying points throughout 2018, and the anticipated impacts on crime data may have already begun to occur in 2018. In BC, the rollout occurred later, which Statistics Canada noted may have contributed to the notable increases in BC’s police-reported crime in 2019.

Police agencies across BC implemented these scoring rule changes in January 2019. Additionally, Statistics Canada noted that police services in BC undertook a uniform training strategy to further standardize reporting throughout the province, which also may have contributed to BC’s increase.

More information about the UCR Survey and these scoring rule changes can be found at:

<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2018001/article/54973-eng.htm>

<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2020001/article/00010-eng.htm>

## Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers

1. **Population figures** are estimates prepared annually by BC Stats, based on the results of Canada Census which is conducted every five years. These estimates reflect only the permanent or resident population of a jurisdiction. Where a jurisdiction serves as a business and/or entertainment centre, it may have substantial “part-time” and “resident non-resident” populations relative to its resident or “late night” population, i.e., tourists, cabin owners, commuters, students, and seasonal staff. These temporary populations, whose permanent residence is within another jurisdiction, are excluded from a jurisdiction’s population figures. Note: the 2019 population estimates provided by BC Stats were based on the Statistics Canada 2016 Census boundary geographies adjusted in accordance with current police jurisdiction boundaries.
2. **Authorized strength** represents the maximum number of positions that the detachment or department has been authorized to fill as of December 31st of each calendar year. The authorized strength for both municipal RCMP services and municipal police department jurisdictions (Mun) represents the number of sworn officers/members and sworn civilian officers/members assigned to a detachment or department, but does not include non-sworn civilian support staff, bylaw enforcement officers, the RCMP Auxiliary program or municipal police department reserve police officers. The authorized strength for Provincial Service jurisdictions (Prov) represents the number of sworn members assigned to General Duty and General Investigation Service (GD/GIS) functions at a detachment but does not include members assigned to specialized functions such as traffic enforcement, forensic identification or major case crimes, etc. The assigned strengths for provincial service jurisdictions are obtained from RCMP “E” Division Headquarters. The authorized strengths for RCMP municipal jurisdictions are obtained from Annex A of each municipality’s *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* (MPUA). (**Note:** Due to inconsistencies in counting Integrated Team members some Lower Mainland District (LMD) municipalities’ authorized strengths are not comparable and may reflect some, none or all integrated team members. Police Services Division is working with the RCMP and LMD municipalities to achieve consistency in Annex A, authorized strengths. For 2019, a separate “adjusted strength” figure for these municipalities has been calculated to show the net adjustment to authorized strength to account for Integrated Team members. Adjusted strength figures are not included in tables showing ten year authorized strength trends). Authorized strengths for municipalities policed by municipal police departments are collected annually from each department. The exact values from the source data was used, however values reported have been rounded up to the nearest whole number, unless otherwise shown. Due to the differences in the organizational structure of each type of unit and methods of collecting authorized strength data, comparisons between RCMP provincial, RCMP municipal, and municipal police jurisdictions should be made with caution.
3. **Adjusted strength** is a calculation that adjusts a municipal authorized strength to account for Integrated Team members who are assigned on a regional basis. For 2019, adjusted strength applies to LMD Integrated Team participation only. The Integrated Teams member adjustment is based on a proportional allocation of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) utilization attributable to each municipality’s financial contribution to the LMD teams for the fiscal year 2019/2020. Some LMD municipalities’ authorized strength already includes or accounts for a portion of Integrated Team members; therefore, not all Integrated Teams’ adjustments are a simple addition to authorized strength. The values reported have been rounded up to the nearest whole number after making the adjustments using exact values from the source data.
4. **Case loads** are defined as the number of *Criminal Code* offences (excluding drugs and traffic offences) per authorized strength. They represent the workload per officer, and as a result, are often a better indicator of the demand for police services than either a jurisdiction’s population or its crime rate. The case load is calculated by dividing the total number of *Criminal Code* offences in the calendar year by the authorized strength as of December 31st of the same calendar year. (**Note:** The adjusted strength has been used to calculate the case loads for municipal units participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams). Please refer to recent changes in the impact on UCR scoring rules on page 24.

## Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers, Continued

5. **Total Criminal Code Offences** includes property, violent, and other crimes (excluding drugs and traffic offences). **Number of offences** represents only those crimes reported to, or discovered by the police which, upon preliminary investigation, have been deemed to have occurred or been attempted; these data do not represent nor imply a count of the number of charges laid, prosecutions conducted, informations sworn or convictions obtained. These data have been recorded by the police utilizing the Uniform Crime Reporting 2 (UCR2) Survey scoring rules and guidelines. If a single criminal incident contains a number of violations of the law, then only the most serious violation is counted for purposes of this statistic. Please refer to recent changes in the impact on UCR scoring rules on page 24.
6. **Crime rate** is the number of *Criminal Code* offences or crimes (excluding drugs and traffic) reported for every 1,000 persons. It is a better measure of trends in crime than the actual number of offences because it accounts for population differences. A high crime rate may indicate that a municipality is a “core city”, i.e., a business and/or entertainment centre for many people who reside outside, as well as inside, the municipality. As a result, “core cities” may have large part-time or temporary populations which are excluded from both their population bases and their crime rate calculations. Please refer to recent changes in the impact on UCR scoring rules on page 24.
7. **Total Costs** refer to actual costs as reported by each municipality, collected annually from the PSD administered Municipal Police Expenditure Survey. For municipalities policed by the RCMP, total costs include the municipality’s share of RCMP contract costs, including integrated team costs, (i.e., either 70% or 90% depending on population) plus those costs borne 100% by the municipality which are over and above the contract costs, such as support staff and accommodation. Total costs do not include costs for bylaw enforcement or victim services programs, capital expenditures (such as major construction projects), or revenues. There is some variation between jurisdictions with respect to the cost items that are included in their policing budgets and reflected in total costs, so caution should be used if comparisons are being made. As a result of variances in reporting practices, in 2017, the Municipal Policing Expenditure Survey was amended to include amortization/depreciation costs as part of the Accommodation costs. Previous iterations of the survey and scoring rules did not specifically articulate the inclusion of the amortization/depreciation costs and was added to standardize practices from all municipalities.
8. The data contained in this report may vary when compared with previous reports produced by Police Services Division. Where variances occur, the report produced at the latest date will reflect the most current data available.
9. Populations, crime rates and case loads are only three of the many factors used to determine the strength and organization of a police agencies. A number of other factors, such as size and accessibility of the area to be policed and traffic volume are also taken into consideration. In addition, case loads and crime rates do not reflect the time spent by police providing general assistance to the public, participating in crime prevention programs, or enforcing traffic laws.
10. Comparisons between municipal police departments, RCMP municipal and RCMP provincial services should be made with caution.

### DATA SOURCES:

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| Crime:                      | Statistics Canada. 2019. Incident-based crime statistics, by detailed violation and police services, British Columbia, annual, 1998 to 2019 (Table 35-10-0184-01). Last updated October 29, 2020.<br><a href="https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=3510018401">https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=3510018401</a><br>(accessed October 29, 2020). |
| Populations:                | BC Statistics, Ministry of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, BC.   |
| Police Costs and Resources: | Royal Canadian Mounted Police, “E” Division; Police Services Division; Municipal Police Departments; Municipalities.   |
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