OP B.1

DELTA POLICE BOARD

OPEN MEETING AGENDA

Date 2025-03-19 Time 09:00 AM





Α.	CALL TO ORDER	Land Acknowledgment: This meeting is taking place on the shared, traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the scəẃaθən (Tsawwassen), xʷməθkʷəỷəm (Musqueam), and other Coast Salish Peoples. We extend our appreciation to these First Nations for the opportunity to hold this meeting here today.	
В.	ADOPTIONS •	1. Adoption of the Open Agenda - March 19, 2025	Α
		2. Adoption of the Open Minutes - February 19, 2025	Α
C.	PRESENTATIONS	1. No Presentations	1
	& DELEGATIONS	2. No Delegations	I
D.	CONSENT	1. Action Document	
	AGENDA •	2. Chief's Monthly Activity Report - February 2025	
		3. Events Calendar	
		4. DPD News Releases	
		5. Donation from ICBC for Volunteer Recognition	
		6. BCAPB Sponsorship Thank You	
		7. Response from Province re: Enhanced Community Support Services for	
		Vulnerable Individuals in Delta	
		8. E-Comm March 2025 Update	1
E.	REPORTS &	1. Chief's Reports	
	PRIORITY ITEMS	a. 2024 Annual Report: Online Incident Reporting System •	- 1
		b. Community Safety & Well-Being Plan Updates	
		i. 2024 Annual Business Plan Year End Report	
		ii. 2025 Annual Business Plan	
		c. Crime Statistics Reporting Update	
		d. Police Performance Measures: BC Police Resources Survey and	
		Crime Severity Index (CSI) • 2. BCAPB Representative Selection (<i>Lara Victoria</i>)	A
		2. BCALB Representative Selection (Lata victoria)	A
F.	NEW BUSINESS	Any additional items as requested	
G.	CONTINUE	In accordance with the <i>Police Act (S.69(2))</i> , a portion of a meeting may be held	
	MEETING IN	in private if any of the following are expected to arise:	
	PRIVATE	a) a matter concerning public security, the disclosure of which could	
		reasonably be expected to seriously impair effective policing or law	
		enforcement;	
		b) a matter concerning a person's financial or personal affairs, if the	
		person's interest in the matter outweighs the public's interest in the matter;	
		c) a matter concerning labour contract discussions, labour management	
		relations, layoffs or another personnel matter;	
		d) a matter concerning information that a person has requested he or she	
		be allowed to give in private to the Board or committee.	

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Motion to adjourn the Open Meeting.

The next meeting of the Delta Police Board will take place on April 16, 2025.

OP B.2

DELTA POLICE BOARD

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Date 2025-02-19 Time 09:00 AM

Location North Delta Public Safety Building, 11375 84th Avenue



Minutes of the Open Meeting held Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 9:00am at North Delta Public Safety Building, 11375 84th Avenue, Delta, British Columbia.

PRESENT

Ian Tait, Chair Warren Dean Flandez, Vice-Chair Nikhil Pandey Chief Laura Cassidy* Lori Mayhew Lara Victoria (arrived at 9:22am) Harj Sidhu, Chief Constable Guy Leeson, Acting Deputy Chief Jassie Ram, Corporate Services Manager Kristen Cruise, Information & Privacy Counsel Hilary Madore, Finance Manager Tracie Nunes, Board Secretary Laura Nowitsky, Guest

REGRETS

Sharan Oberoi, Councillor Daniel Boisvert

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:07am.

The Chair began the meeting with the Indigenous land acknowledgement.

B. ADOPTIONS

1. Adoption of the Open Agenda of February 19, 2025

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board approve the Open Agenda of February 19, 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Adoption of the Open Minutes of January 15, 2025

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board approve the minutes of the Open Meeting January 15, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

- 1. No Presentations
- 2. No Delegations

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^{*}Attended Virtually

D. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Action Document
- 2. Crime Statistics and Maps January 2025
- 3. Chief's Monthly Activity Report January 2025
- 4. Events Calendar
- 5. DPD News Releases
- 6. Submission of 2024 Minutes to Police and Security Branch
- 7. E-Comm January Police and Local Government Partners Update
- 8. Letter from ADM re: Board Evaluation and Needs Assessment 2025

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board receive items D.1 through D.8 for information and approve where required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. REPORTS & PRIORITY ITEMS

1. Chief's Reports

a. <u>2025 DPD Operating and Capital Budget</u>
 Chief Sidhu updated the Board on the 2025 DPD Operating and Capital Budget, which has been formally approved by the City of Delta.

b. 2024 Calls for Service Trends

The Chief updated the Board on 2024 Calls for Service (CFS), noting an 18% decrease from 2023, with DPD responding to 24,571 calls. The decline is primarily due to updated E-Comm SOPs reducing officer attendance at false and abandoned 911 calls, allowing for greater focus on higher-priority incidents and proactive policing. The top five call types, including suspicious activity reports, public assistance, and driving complaints, reflect ongoing community safety priorities.

c. <u>Inspector Promotions</u>

The Chief provided an update on the outcome of the Inspector promotion process, as provided in the agenda package.

Action: Staff to send congratulatory letters on behalf of the Board.

d. Fitness for Duty (Drug & Alcohol Use) - 'Procedures Update'

The Chief updated the Board on amendments to Procedures under Policy AC09 - Drugs & Alcohol Use, specifically regarding cannabis use by employees. While Procedure amendments are typically within the Chief's purview, this update was brought forward due to its relevance. In line with research findings and policies of other municipal police departments, the Department will adopt a "fit for duty" standard for off-duty cannabis and alcohol use, replacing the previous 24-hour cannabis consumption prohibition.

e. BC Top 100 Employers

The Chief updated the Board on DPD's recognition as one of BC's Top 100 Employers for 2025, marking the seventh consecutive year of this achievement.

Item E.1 received for information.

2. BCAPB Conference Sponsorship/Attendance

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board sponsor the welcome reception in the amount of \$700 for the BCAPB Conference.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action: Staff to process \$700 sponsorship payment for the Board and submit to BCAPB.

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board approve registration for all board members to attend the BCAPB Conference, if desired.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action: Staff to process BCAPB conference registrations for all Board members who express interest in attending.

F. NEW BUSINESS

No New Business.

G. CONTINUE MEETING IN PRIVATE

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- b) a matter concerning a person's financial or personal affairs, if the person's interest in the matter outweighs the public's interest in the matter;
- c) a matter concerning labour contract discussions, labour management relations, layoffs or another personnel matter;
- d) a matter concerning information that a person has requested he or she be allowed to give in private to the Board or committee

MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the Delta Police Board continue the meeting in Private.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H. ADJOURNMENT

Delta Police Board Open Meeting adjourned at 9:25am.

The next meeting of the Delta Police Board will take place on March 19, 2025.

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lan Tait Chair	Tracie Nunes Recording Secretary
Date	Date



DELTA POLICE BOARD OPEN MEETING ACTION DOCUMENT





Blue	On hold - (action may or may not have been taken)
Gray	Complete (will be removed after one circulation)
Green	In progress

ACTION ITEM	Meeting Date	Assigned to	Status
E.1c Inspector Promotions Send congratulatory letters on behalf of the Board.	February 19, 2025	Staff	Complete.
E.2 BCAPB Conference Sponsorship/Attendance Process \$700 sponsorship payment for the Board and submit to BCAPB	February 19, 2025	Staff	Complete.
E.2 BCAPB Conference Sponsorship/Attendance Process BCAPB conference registrations for all Board members who express interest in attending.	February 19, 2025	Staff	Complete.

Updated: 2023-03-06



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DATE 2025-03-12	SUBMITTED BY Harj Sidhu, Chief Constable				
SUBJECT Chief Constable Monthly Activity Highlights - February 2025					
ACTION REQUIRED					
□ For Information					
☐ For Approval/Action/Decision					

Date	Activity
February 5, 2025	Attended Delta Police Foundation Meeting
February 6, 2025	Attended Port Police Quarterly Meeting
February 6, 2025	Opening Remarks on behalf of BCACP at Hate Crime Forum
February 11, 2025	Presented at Rotary Club of Ladner Monthly Meeting
February 13, 2025	Attended City of Delta Strategic Planning Meeting
February 13, 2025	Attended Monthly Senior Leadership Meeting
February 14, 2025	Attended Use of Force for the Mind Training
February 18, 2025	Attended Joint CKSA Board of Directors/Chiefs Meeting
February 19, 2025	Attended Monthly Police Board Meeting
February 20, 2025	Attended Seconded Members Meeting
February 24, 2025	Presented at DPD Supervisor (NCO) Training
February 24-25, 2025	Attended BCACP Conference in Victoria
February 26, 2025	Attended Battle of the Badges
February 27, 2025	Attended Monthly Labour Management Meeting
February 28, 2025	Attended Monthly Facilities Committee Meeting
February 28, 2025	Attended Ignite - Women's Empowerment Gala

March 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2	3	4	5	6	7 DPD Change of Command Ceremony	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Spring Break March 17-28	17	18	Police Board Meeting - Council Chamber	20	21	22
23 Spring Break March 17-28	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	Notes				

April 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6 North Delta Baseball Association Opening Ceremonies - Annieville Park	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	Police Board Meeting - ND PSB	17	18 Good Friday	19
20 Easter	21 Easter Monday	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 DPD Update at City Council Meeting	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	Notes				

May 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7 BCAPB Conference Delta	BCAPB Conference Delta	BCAPB Conference Delta	10
Heron Hospice Society Hike for Hospice - Paterson Park	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	Police Board Meeting - Council Chamber	22	23	24
25 Walk for Alzheimer's - Paterson Park	26	27 HR Committee F&RM Committee	Governance Committee	29	30	31
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Delta Police Recognized as One of BC's Top 100 Employers for 7th Consecutive Year

Monday, Feb 10, 2025

Delta, BC – The Delta Police Department (DPD) is pleased to announce that it has once again been named one of British Columbia's (BC) Top 100 Employers for the seventh consecutive year. This recognition highlights the department's continued commitment to providing a workplace that supports its officers and staff, supporting a culture of excellence and well-being.

The annual competition recognizes employers in BC that demonstrate exceptional workplaces, prioritize employee satisfaction, and create environments that encourage professional growth.

Chief Harj Sidhu expressed his gratitude for the recognition, stating, "We are incredibly proud to be named one of BC's Top 100 Employers for the seventh consecutive year. This honour reflects the hard work and dedication of our entire team, as we continually strive to ensure that our workplace is not only safe and supportive, but also one where our team can thrive both professionally and personally."



Suspicious Death Leads to Manslaughter Charge

Thursday, Feb 27, 2025

Delta, BC – In February of 2022, the Delta Police Department responded to what was reported as the overdose death of an 18-year-old woman. The death was determined to be suspicious, and an investigation followed.

In late November 2024, 28-year-old, Travis GALLANT of Surrey, BC, was arrested in the suspicious death. The BC Prosecution Service has approved charges of manslaughter and indignity to human remains against GALLANT. GALLANT and the woman were known to each other and there is no risk to the public. GALLANT remains in custody.

This matter is before the courts and no further information will be released.



Multiple Firearms Charges Sworn

Friday, Feb 28, 2025

Delta, BC – A reported home invasion in Ladner has resulted in multiple firearms-related charges against a Delta man.

British Columbia Prosecution Service has sworn charges of possessing a weapon for a dangerous purpose, storing a firearm contrary to regulations, and two counts of careless use or storage of a firearm against Maximilien Pailleret.

On November 8, 2024, at 4:18 a.m., the Delta Police Department (DPD) responded to a 911 call reporting a home invasion involving three armed suspects. Officers located a man outside the residence holding a handgun. The man was safely arrested and later identified as the home's resident.

Through further investigation, officers determined there was no evidence of a home invasion. Officers located over 30 firearms and thousands of rounds of ammunition in various stages of storage and display. Some firearms were found unsecured on the floor, hanging on walls, placed on furniture, while others were properly secured in a safe.

Firearm recovered at arrest



Some of the firearms observed under dresser



Some of the firearms on wall display





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DATE	SUBMITTED BY				
2025-02-26	Hilary Madore, Finance Manager				
SUBJECT					
ICBC Donation - Volunteer Recogn	ition				
ACTION REQUIRED					
□ For Information					
□ For Approval/Action/Decision					
A. THAT the Board receive this report for information					
B. THAT a letter of appreciation be sent to ICBC.					

PURPOSE

To report on a donation from ICBC in accordance with DPD Policy AD12, which requires donations over \$500 to be reported to the Delta Police Board.

DISCUSSION

ICBC has provided a donation of \$1,250 to Delta Police Department, which is intended to recognize volunteers in our DCPOs and the work done by these volunteers in relation to ICBC sponsored programs. It is proposed to utilize these funds during 2025 to provide meals for volunteer appreciation events and/or when volunteers are assisting at the various community events.

CONCLUSION

Delta Police Department has received \$1,250 from ICBC and will use the funds for volunteer recognition.



February 21, 2025

Mr. Ian Tait Chair, Delta Police Board

Dear Mr. Tait:

Thank you very much Delta Police Board's generous sponsorship of \$700.00 towards the reception. As a not-for-profit organization, your support helps our efforts to bring opportunities for meaningful engagement with police boards, police services, local government and other agencies related to policing and police governance. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged at the conference.

We look forward to hosting you and your conference registrants soon.

With gratitude and kind regards,

Lara Victoria President, BCAPB

Email: <u>bcapbs@gmail.com</u>

From: PSSG Correspondence PSSG:EX < PSSG.Correspondence@gov.bc.ca >

Sent: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 8:54:17 a.m. **To:** Ian Tait < itait@deltapoliceboard.ca>

Cc: Minister, HLTH HLTH:EX < HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca >; Minister, HMA HMA:EX

<<u>HMA.minister@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** File no. 673391

Ian Tait, stél'mexw siiyá'y Chair, Delta Police Board

Email: itait@deltapoliceboard.ca

Dear Ian Tait, stél'mexw siiyá'y:

Thank you for your letter dated November 25, 2024, regarding enhanced community support services for vulnerable persons in Delta, BC. I apologize for the delay in responding and thank you for taking the time to write.

You highlighted in your letter concerns about a lack of local shelters, limited access to mental health services and the need for increased outreach services in your community. I welcome the opportunity to address each of these concerns.

Homelessness is a significant issue affecting people and communities throughout British Columbia and addressing it is a critical priority for the province. We are working to better coordinate and facilitate access to a range of services and supports for those at risk of or experiencing homelessness. To that end, the Province acknowledges the work of the Delta Police Department through its Community Navigation Unit (CNU) in connecting people who come into contact with the Delta Police Department with alternative resources such as shelter and housing services.

<u>The Belonging in BC Provincial Homelessness Plan</u>, released in 2023, provides a framework of actions and programs to prevent and reduce homelessness, supported by \$1.5 billion in funding (in addition to \$633 million in Budget 2022).

The Province, through BC Housing, is funding 6,085 shelter spaces in 59 communities throughout British Columbia this season, a 22 per cent increase in spaces available compared to this time last year. These include permanent, temporary and extreme-weather response (EWR) shelters, as well as Homeless Encampment Action Response Temporary Housing (HEARTH) shelter spaces. For full details regarding expansion of shelter services please visit: news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2024HOUS0179-001575

The Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs (HMA) and BC Housing are also working closely with the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness to support alignment of related cold-weather response programs. For further information on 2024/2025 EWR planning and available homelessness support funding programs, please contact BC Housing at: <a href="https://example.com/bc/emails.co

In addition to shelter programs, BC Housing outreach services aim to meet people where they are, whether that is on the street, in a shelter or in a temporary place. The <u>Homeless Outreach Program</u> helps people find an outreach worker and access immediate supports in their community. The Homeless Prevention Program supports individuals at transition points who are at greater risk of homelessness (for example, youth transitioning out of foster care). The program provides rent supplements and services to help individuals access the private rental housing market.

Communities may apply for up to \$50,000 grants for homelessness responses and research through the Homelessness Community Action Grant program, administered by the Social Planning and Research Council of BC: www.sparc.bc.ca/partnerships/provincial-homelessness-grants/.

Mental health is also a priority for the Province, and Fraser Health, through the <u>Clubhouse</u> Program, serves adults (19 and older) with a diagnosed mental illness in a supportive environment. There are three Lighthouse locations in Delta South (Tsawwassen and Ladner Lighthouses) and Delta North Lighthouse. Fraser Health's <u>Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team in Surrey - North Delta</u> provides outreach-based mental health services for adults with persistent mental illness that need support with managing daily living. The team accepts referrals through a health provider at the hospital or in the community.

To support those who require substance use services, Fraser Health also operates <u>Deltassist</u>, a series of community and family substance use services for both youth and adults through assessment and counselling. There are also self referral services available through Fraser Health's <u>Rapid Access Clinic</u>, and specialized mental health services for <u>seniors</u>.

There are 101 publicly funded substance use beds located in the Fraser South Health Service Delivery Area (HSDA), which includes Delta. Those are as follows:

59 adult supportive recovery beds

2 adult bed-based treatment beds

10 adult transitional beds

24 adult withdrawal management beds (detox)

6 youth withdrawal management beds (detox)

25 sobering and assessment beds (Surrey)

The recently launched Provincial Opioid Treatment Access Line is available to anyone in BC. Callers can speak with a healthcare worker, including doctors and nurses, who can prescribe an opioid treatment medication over the phone that same day. The toll-free line is open every day from 9 am to 4 pm at 1-833-804-8111.

BC is currently working to expand the Road to Recovery (R2R) which is a new model of addictions care that seamlessly moves people through detox, treatment and recovery services. The Road to Recovery expansion will include new or expanded substance-use services in all health authorities, as well as a single-access line to get connected to a same day clinical assessment and addictions care in each health-authority region. As part of the Road to Recovery,

Fraser Health Authority is actively planning to increase the capacity and accessibility of detox and other services in the region and work is progressing well.

I agree that it is important to ensure integration between service providers so that vulnerable individuals don't fall through the gaps. Our Situation Table program has helped communities across British Columbia with enhancing their integrated approaches. It has also proven to be an effective process for police to transfer files where a social service approach is warranted as opposed to following criminal justice processes. You may wish to raise this possibility with other community leaders if there is interest in applying for grant funding to help establish a table in Delta. Further information is available at:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/criminal-justice/policing-in-bc/collaborative-public-safety-program/situation-tables

I thank you for your commitment to community safety and wellbeing and for providing me the opportunity to share the Province's ongoing initiatives in the areas you detailed in your letter.

Sincerely,

Garry Begg

Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Health

The Honourable Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

Ref. 673391



November 25, 2024

The Honourable David Eby, M.L.A. Premier of British Columbia PO Box 9041 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E1

Dear Premier Eby:

<u>Subject: Enhanced Community Support Services for Vulnerable Individuals in Delta</u>

On behalf of the Delta Police Board (DPB), I am writing to request the Province's support in expanding services for vulnerable individuals in our community. Since becoming operational in May 2023, the Delta Police Department's (DPD) Community Navigator Unit (CNU) has been instrumental in connecting vulnerable individuals who come into contact with police, often due to issues such as housing instability, mental health concerns, substance use, and minor social offences, with essential services and resources to address their needs.

The Board has been informed that CNU has processed over 320 referrals and has proven successful in diverting vulnerable individuals away from the criminal justice system and toward the help required to address their underlying challenges. CNU has additionally helped reduce the demand on police officers by connecting individuals with the services they need.

However, despite these successes, several significant challenges have emerged over the past year, as highlighted by the CNU's work:

- 1. Lack of Local Shelters: Delta has limited emergency shelters, which are only open during extreme weather events. This forces unhoused individuals to seek services outside the community, creating further challenges.
- 2. Limited Access to Mental Health Services: Access to essential mental health and substance use services is limited in Delta. This issue is exacerbated by the absence of local treatment facilities, which forces vulnerable individuals to travel to neighbouring cities, creating logistical barriers.
- **3. Need for Increased Outreach Services**: Outreach support is notably limited and the current level of support is insufficient given the growing needs of vulnerable individuals in our community.

While the DPD works closely with the City of Delta, including aligning with the actions and goals of the City's Social Action Plan, we recognize that many of the challenges faced by vulnerable populations extend beyond the scope and capacity of municipal governments. As these issues grow more complex, it becomes clear that additional support and resources from the Province are necessary to effectively address them.



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We kindly request the Province's action in addressing these gaps, particularly by:

- **Expanding emergency shelter options within Delta**, supported through increased funding and policies that provide for a sustainable solution.
- Increasing the availability of mental health and addiction services locally, ensuring
 more accessible and comprehensive support for vulnerable individuals without the need
 to leave the community.
- **Enhancing funding and coordination for outreach services** to better meet the needs of individuals requiring urgent assistance and continued support on the ground.

By addressing these issues, the Province can help alleviate the burden on police resources while ensuring that at-risk individuals receive timely and adequate support.

We look forward to the Province's action to close these service gaps and ensure that vulnerable populations in Delta receive the necessary resources to ensure community safety and well-being for everyone in our community.

Thank you,

lan Tait, stél'mexw siiyá'y Chair, Delta Police Board itait@deltapoliceboard.ca

604-290-3971

cc: Chief Constable Guy Leeson, Delta Police Department

The Honourable Garry Begg, M.L.A., Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Tara Richards, Deputy Solicitor General

Delta Police Board

City of Delta Mayor and Council



E-COMM MARCH UPDATE FOR POLICE, FIRE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTNERS

We are writing to share our monthly update on key activities at E-Comm to strengthen and improve our services on behalf of our first responder partners and the public we serve.

Service levels to February 28

- High service performance for emergency call-taking, 9-1-1 Year-to-date (YTD) service levels for emergency police call-taking reached 93% in the Lower Mainland, and 92% on Vancouver Island (target: 88% of calls answered in 10 seconds). 9-1-1 service saw 98% of calls answered in 5 seconds or less (target: 95%).
- Strong results for non-emergency service performance Our non-emergency service surpassed performance targets YTD, reaching 90% in the Lower Mainland and 86% on Vancouver Island (target: 80% of calls answered within three minutes). Call volumes for non-emergency in the Lower Mainland increased 3.4% for this period as compared to 2024 (54,278 calls in 2025). Our YTD abandoned call rate for non-emergency has continued to drop over the past four years, decreasing from a high of 39% for this period in 2022, to just 8% in 2025.
- A cautionary note on service levels As our March update only includes two months of data, it's important to remember that service levels fluctuate through the year, based on call volumes and staffing levels. Traditionally, we see increased pressures on these key variables as we get closer to the busy summer period, whereas the winter months tend to be more stable.

Transformation Updates

- **Developing our dispatch workforce** In February, four of our E-Comm call takers completed dispatch classroom training and proceeded to on-the job learning with peer coaches. We have seen attrition decrease for this position over 2024 and are focusing on growth and retention.
- **Digital dashboards for fire agencies in development** Our Data & Analytics team is making progress on the development of self-serve digital information dashboards for our fire agencies. Similar dashboards were launched for 13 of our police agencies last fall.
- **Strengthening our cyber defenses** As part of ongoing work to boost organizational resiliency and protect our core services, our Technology team completed an incident response tabletop exercise, as well as an overall security program audit.
- **NG9-1-1 site transitions to begin this fall** Site transitions for Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) implementation will begin this fall, following necessary technical work and testing. Our project completion is still targeted for the end of 2025.

Public Education & Outreach

• **Empowering businesses with non-emergency improvements** – We are reinforcing information about key non-emergency service improvements with Lower Mainland businesses, sharing public education materials and participating in a Vancouver Police Retail Crime Forum in March.





MARCH 2025 UPDATE



Growing our dispatch workforce though development of internal talent, new training



Work progressing on new self-serve data dashboards for fire agencies



Technology team completes security program audit, tabletop exercise



NG9-1-1 site transitions shift to fall to allow for necessary technical work







RETAIL CRIME REPORTING

Targeted information for businesses on reporting crime, including participation in VPD retail crime forum

LOWER MAINLAND YEAR-TO-FEB 28

	Target	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
9-1-1	95%/5s	99%	95%	99%	99%	98%
Police Emergency	88%/10s	91%	81%	92%	96%	93%
Police Non-Emergency	80%/180s	69%	51%	70%	85%	90%
Fire Emergency	90%/15s	94%	89%	95%	93%	97%

VANCOUVER ISLAND YEAR-TO-FEB 28

	Target	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
9-1-1	95%/5s	99%	95%	99%	99%	98%
Police Emergency	88%/10s	92%	92%	90%	93%	92%
Police Non-Emergency	80%/180s	87%	91%	80%	79%	86%



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DATE	SUBMITTED BY			
2025-02-28	Harj Sidhu, M.O.M.			
	Chief Constable			
SUBJECT Annual Report 2024 - Online Incident Reporting System				
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ACTION REQUIRED				
ACTION REQUIRED ☑ For Information				

PURPOSE

To provide the Delta Police Board (DPB) with an update on the Delta Police Department's (DPD) Online Incident Reporting System (system) via the 2024 annual report.

DISCUSSION

Background

Launched by the DPD on October 1, 2020, the Online Incident Reporting System (OIRS) allows community members to report a range of non-emergency incidents online, providing flexibility while improving operational efficiency within the department. Since its implementation, the system has expanded to accept reports for the following incident types:

- Vandalism < \$10,000
- Fraud < \$10,000
- Lost Property < \$10,000
- Found Property
- Theft < \$10,000 with no Suspect
- General Community Concern
- Traffic Incident
- Hit & Run (Incidents with no injuries, and the suspect or suspect's license plate known)

The system aligns with the DPD's No Call Too Small philosophy, offering an accessible and convenient way for community members to report incidents.

Each report submitted online is reviewed and dispatched for officer attendance, ensuring that incidents reported through the system receive the same level of review as those reported via the non-emergency phone line.

The system is available 24/7, though incoming reports are actively monitored between 0700 to 1900 hours. Reports submitted outside these hours are processed the following day. A pop-up notification informs users of the delay and advises them to call the non-emergency line if immediate assistance is required.

Usage and Performance in 2024

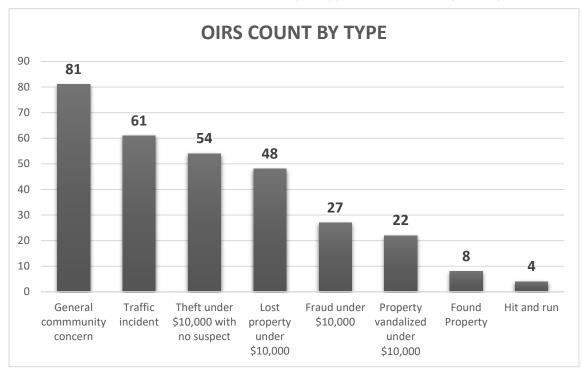
In 2024, the DPD received 305 reports through the OIRS, averaging 25 reports per month. This number has remained consistent since the system's launch and is comparable to 2023 usage.

However, despite its availability, the system remains significantly underutilized. In 2025, the DPD received approximately 24,000 calls for service, yet only 1.25% (about 300 calls) were submitted through the online system.

A breakdown of the most commonly reported incident types in 2024 shows a shift in trends:

- General community concerns were the most reported category,
- Traffic concerns and theft followed,
- Unlike 2023, where lost property was the most frequently reported type.

The chart below illustrates the total number of report types received through the system in 2024.



Challenges and Opportunities for Improvement

While the system serves as a convenient option for reporting, it has not seen significant growth in usage. Several factors may contribute to this:

- 1. Public Awareness & Accessibility
 - Many community members may not be aware of the system or how to use it.
 - Increased communication and outreach efforts may be required to encourage adoption.
- 2. Limited Reporting Categories
 - The types of incidents reportable online are limited.
 - Expanding the list of accepted incident types may make the system more useful to the public.
- 3. Preference for Phone-Based Reporting

OP E.1a

 Despite the availability of online reporting, many residents may still prefer speaking with a call taker.

To address these concerns, I have established a dedicated working group tasked with:

- Reviewing the system's effectiveness and identifying areas for enhancement
- Assessing the feasibility of expanding reportable incident categories
- Determining whether improved public awareness efforts are needed

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT: CSWP

- Excellence through professionalization, technology & innovation
- Community safety and crime prevention

CONCLUSION

The Online Incident Reporting System remains a valuable tool for both the DPD and the community, offering a convenient alternative for reporting non-emergency incidents. However, usage has remained low, with only 1.25% of all calls for service being submitted online. To ensure the system meets the needs of the community and remains an effective resource, a working group will conduct a full review in 2025. While we do not intend to replace phone-based reporting, we recognize the need to maximize the system's potential and ensure it serves as an effective tool for community engagement and crime reporting.



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PURPOSE

To provide the Delta Police Board with a Year-End Report for the 2024 Annual Business Plan (ABP) and present the 2025 ABP in alignment with the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWP).

DISCUSSION

I am pleased to present the Delta Police Department's (DPD) ABP Year-End Report for 2024 and the ABP for 2025. The ABP is our key tool for advancing the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWP), ensuring that our efforts are strategic, proactive, and responsive to community needs. Through this plan, we remain committed to enhancing public safety, supporting our team's wellbeing, and maintaining the high service standards our community expects.

In 2024, we focused on ABP projects carefully designed to address community needs, proactively tackle emerging challenges, and strengthen our operational effectiveness. Of the 24 projects identified, I at 23 have been completed, with one project deferred to the 2025 ABP to ensure its successful implementation. The progress made in 2024 under the ABP is detailed in Attachment A.

Our team's work continues to be guided by the six strategic priorities of the CSWP:

- Community Safety and Crime Prevention
- Support for Mental Health and Vulnerable Individuals
- Road Safety for All Users
- Excellence through Professionalization, Technology and Innovation
- Equip Team to Work with a Diverse Community
- Growth and Well-Being of the Team

Building on the success of 2024, the 2025 ABP (Attachment B) outlines the next phase of our strategic projects, ensuring we continue our commitment to the CSWP. The team has identified 22 projects for 2025 which will continue to reinforce our six strategic priorities.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT: CSWP

This report provides updates on the ABP, which operationalizes the DPD Strategic Plan (CSWP).

CONCLUSION

This report reflects the DPD's commitment to transparency and accountability, ensuring that both the Police Board and the community remain informed about our progress and measurable outcomes.

The DPD remains committed to advancing community safety and well-being through strategic planning and continuous improvement. I look forward to the continued positive impact of the DPD team's efforts in 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

- A 2024 Annual Business Plan Year End Report
- B 2025 Annual Business Plan



Delta Police Department

2024 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN

Year-End Report



OP E.1b

Priorities

- 1 Community Safety and Crime Prevention
- Support for Mental Health and Vulnerable Individuals
- 3 Road Safety for All Users
- Excellence through Professionalization, Technology and Innovation
- 5 Equip Team for Work with Diverse Community
- 6 Growth and Well-being of the Team



OP E.1b Attachment A

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Transition of Community Safety Officers (CSOs) to Patrol Services Section for enhanced service delivery	1	Complete	Transitioned the CSOs to the Patrol Services Section, implementing an enhanced service delivery model to improve operational effectiveness and service delivery model.
Enhance service delivery through the Tsawwassen First Nation Service Team (TFNST)	1 & 5	Complete	Fully staffed the TFNST with six constables, one NCO, and one liaison officer. This strengthened framework improves our ability to track performance, analyze community trends, and deliver tailored service improvements while maintaining accountability at its core. Additionally, we have refined our quarterly and year-end reporting processes to enhance professionalism, transparency, and data-driven decision-making.
Expand capacity of the Digital Forensics Program	1 & 4	Complete	Added a dedicated Special Constable to expand digital forensic capabilities, allowing Constables to focus on core investigations. This strategic move enables the Cyber Crime Unit to dedicate more resources to high-priority cases, while also improving procedures, policies, and overall operational efficiency with the support of the specialist.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Execute intelligence- led targeted enforcement projects to proactively address property, violent and organized crime activities		Complete	Conducted several intelligence-led enforcement operations targeting property, violent and organized crime activities: A high-level drug trafficking operation was disrupted with the seizure of 87 kg of suspected MDMA, preventing a significant quantity of illicit drugs from reaching the streets. A major drug network investigation resulted in 30 charges against 2 suspects, along with the seizure of illegal drugs, firearms, and cash. A drug trafficking investigation led to 4 search warrants executed and 4 arrests, further disrupting the local drug supply chain. A street-level drug enforcement operation resulted in 2 search warrants, 3 arrests and the seizure of drugs, cash, and firearms. Uncovered a fuel fraud scheme involving \$25,000 in fraudulent transactions, leading to 47 charges against 5 individuals connected to organized crime. A 2022 overdose death was determined to be a homicide following a complex undercover investigation, resulting in 2nd degree murder charges approved by Crown.
Proactively target gang activity to mitigate community safety risks	1	Complete	 Expanded strategy to mitigate gang activity by: Restructuring to add a third Crime Analyst focused specifically on gang-related intelligence and Project DE-Suppress support. Expanding DE-Suppress targeting efforts to disrupt gang activity more effectively, assisted by provincial grant funding that DPD applied for and received. Providing specialized training for patrol officers in gang enforcement, proactive interdiction, and Inadmissible Patrol Program (IPP) enforcement. Strengthening engagement efforts with gangaffiliated individuals, offering support for those seeking to exit gang life.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements		
Build a unified program to coordinate Community Navigator Unit (CNU) with the Mental Health Unit (MHU)	d program 2 & 5 Complete Navigator ith the		Realigned the Community Navigator Unit (CNU) and the Mental Health Unit (MHU) to enhance collaboration and coordination, ensuring a more integrated response to vulnerable populations. This unified approach strengthens service delivery by: • Improving communication and case coordination between CNU and MHU. • Providing a total systems approach to better support individuals with complex mental health and social needs. • Improving service accessibility through streamlined processes and shared resources.		
Enhance service delivery of the School Liaison Program	2	Complete	Strengthened the School Liaison Program by finalizing a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Delta School District. This updated MOU: • Streamlines service delivery strategies to improve efficiency and responsiveness. • Prioritizes operational needs to better support students, staff, and the broader school community. • Enhances collaboration between law enforcement and educators for a safer, more supportive learning environment.		
Develop a business case outlining different models for a Youth Hub in Delta	2 & 5	Complete	Completed a comprehensive business case for a Youth Hub in Delta, which received City Council approval in July 2024. This project: • Evaluated various models to ensure the most effective approach to supporting youth. • Secured approval for implementation in 2025, marking a significant step toward strengthening youth-focused services. • Lays the foundation for a structured, community- based support system tailored to the needs of young people in Delta.		

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Develop outreach program to connect with newcomers/ immigrants to help them feel safe, welcome and secure	2 & 5	Complete	Completed Phase 1 of the newcomer outreach initiative in collaboration with the City of Delta's Newcomers Project to gain valuable insights into the needs of immigrant communities. Based on these findings: • A comprehensive Newcomer Strategy will be developed in 2025 to provide targeted support and engagement. • This strategy will ensure that newcomers feel safe, welcome, and well-supported as they integrate into the community.
Enhance service delivery of the Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) program	2	Complete	Strengthened the IPV program by improving access to support services and awareness resources: • Easy online access to IPV awareness materials and Victim Services is now available through the City of Delta's website. • Multilingual awareness and prevention posters have been distributed across community centers and public buildings, ensuring that information reaches a diverse audience. This initiative supports public awareness, accessibility, and community support, reinforcing the DPD's commitment to supporting survivors and contribution to prevention mechanisms.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Implement a plan for Patrol Services Section to contribute to road safety through regular and focused enforcement	3	Complete	Successfully implemented a proactive road safety plan within the Patrol Services Section. Key components include: • Monthly Performance Metrics: Tracking key measures to all frontline team members actively contribute to road safety. • District Commander Oversight: Close monitoring of enforcement activities and regular reporting on traffic safety issues during operations meetings. • Traffic Enforcement Project (TEP): Achieved a total of 2,370 engagement hours, reflecting a significant commitment to targeted traffic enforcement based on community concerns.
Implement a plan for assuming responsibility of all Delta highways as a result of RCMP BC Highway Patrol transition	3	Complete	Prepared a plan to assume full responsibility for all highways within Delta's jurisdiction, pending the RCMP BC Highway Patrol's transition. Key actions undertaken include: • Comprehensive Staffing Plan: An operational staffing review identified the need for six additional positions to effectively manage the increased workload. • Traffic Management Plan: A detailed plan has been developed for Highways 99, 91, and 17A, outlining strategies for efficient traffic flow and incident response. • Specialized Training: Officers have received highway traffic stop safety training during the 2024 Increment training sessions to ensure preparedness for the expanded responsibilities The DPD is currently awaiting further transition details from the Province to finalize and implement these plans.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Implement "Vision Zero" strategies in collaboration with the City of Delta	3	Complete	 Collaborated with the City of Delta to implement the Vision Zero Strategy. Key actions include: Structured Communication Process: Developed a systematic approach to convey police recommendations on road safety directly to city planners and engineers, ensuring law enforcement insights inform municipal safety initiatives. Data-Driven Enforcement: Utilized collision data analysis to identify high-risk areas, allowing for targeted enforcement and resource allocation. Community Engagement: Participated in public forums and information sessions to educate residents on road safety and gather community feedback. City Of Delta Traffic Advisory Committee: The DPD participates in and is represented on this committee, which provides advice on transportation safety and neighborhood traffic calming. It also collaborates with other agencies as needed. The committee focuses on four key areas: neighborhood traffic calming, Vision Zero initiatives, active transportation programs, and emerging transportation and safety issues.
Expand the body-worn camera (BWC) program for Patrol Services Section	4	Complete	 Expanded the BWC program across Patrol Services Sections (including Tsawwassen First Nation) with key enhancement including: 36 body-worn cameras have been rolled out across identified units. On-duty training to ensure proper usage, policy compliance, and operational effectiveness. The BWC program is now embedded in DPD's administrative processes, risk management protocols, and evidence management systems. Additional support roles are being considered to further enhance program oversight and efficiency.
Succession plan for the Emergency Management position	4	Complete	Developed a comprehensive succession plan for the Emergency Management position, ensuring leadership continuity in emergency operations. Key actions include: • Development of a detailed position profile outlining key responsibilities and competencies. • Position set for posting and hiring in 2025 to ensure a smooth transition and operational stability.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Research and evaluate the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance public safety	4	Complete	 Leveraged AI to enhance public safety through advanced analytical tools including: A facial comparison system for use by trained analysts to assist with case outcomes and suspect identification by comparing photos against existing images in law enforcement databases. AI-driven tools to improve efficiency in processing sensitive materials, enhancing investigative capabilities and case analysis.
Develop a disclosure model to support operations	4	Deferred	Established an Administrative Load & Disclosure Working Group to create a structured disclosure model that improves operational efficiency. Key steps taken: • Surveys and pilot project conducted to assess best practices. • Introduction of new support roles to streamline administrative processes and reduce workflow corrections. • Ongoing pilot projects will determine the most effective model for long-term implementation.
Rollout Microsoft Office Suite 365 and implement SharePoint as an internal communication tool	4	Complete	Transitioned to Microsoft Office 365, integrating Exchange Online, Teams, and SharePoint to modernize internal communications and collaboration, resulting in: • Streamlined workflows and improved team coordination across units. • Real-time collaboration and document management. • Enhancing interdepartmental communication.
Conduct a strategic staffing review to identify efficiencies to enhance service to community and team well-being	4 & 6	Complete	Completed a strategic staffing review, leading to a series of implemented recommendations aimed at: Optimizing service delivery to better meet community needs. Enhancing internal operational efficiencies to improve resource allocation. Improving team well-being by ensuring balanced workloads and effective personnel deployment.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements
Participate in a sleep study pilot to integrate sleep and recovery into wellness resilience objectives	6	Complete	 Launched a sleep study pilot using Bio-Strap technology, with 50 officers participating. Key outcomes included: Significant improvements in sleep quality, leading to better focus and overall wellness. Increased discussions on wellness and recovery, reinforcing the importance of sleep in performance and mental health. Positive changes in sleep habits, demonstrating the value of integrating sleep and recovery strategies into wellness programs.
Implement a Psychological Resiliency Training program to equip team with knowledge and understanding of impacts of stress	6	Complete	Launched a comprehensive Psychological Resiliency Training program to help staff understand and manage the impacts of stress. This project includes: • Expert-led one-day training sessions focused on stress management and resilience-building. • Annual training updates to ensure continuous education on psychological well-being. • Integration of wellness education into department operations, reinforcing mental health as a core component of officer readiness.
Implement the Performance Appraisal System, Performance Improvement Plan and Career Development Plan	6	Complete	Launched a new performance management application on January 1, 2025, designed to support professional development and career growth. Key features of this system include: • Structured performance appraisals to track officer development and identify areas for growth. • A Performance Improvement Plan to support continuous professional development. • Career Development Planning tools to assist officers in mapping career progression within the department. The system ensures a more transparent and structured approach to performance management.

Project	Priority	Status	Strategic Actions and Achievements	
Implement a training records portal through Canadian Police Knowledge Network (CPKN)	6	Complete	 Improved training infrastructure by implementing a centralized training records portal via CPKN. This system: Manages both historical data and current course registrations, ensuring easy access to training records. Provides oversight for Recruiting and Professional Development teams, allowing for better tracking of officer training and compliance. Enhances efficiency in scheduling and monitoring training requirements. 	
Implement the Drone as a First Responder Program pilot	1,4	Complete	Launched a pilot program utilizing drones as first responders to expand operational capabilities and enhance situational awareness during emergencies. Key benefits include: • Faster information gathering, allowing officers to make informed decisions before arriving on scene. • Enhanced operational efficiency, reducing response times and increasing officer and public safety. • Real-time aerial support for critical incidents, traffic management, and search and rescue operations.	

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- 1. COMMUNITY SAFETY & CRIME PREVENTION
- SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH & VULNERABLE **INDIVIDUALS**
- 3. ROAD SAFETY FOR ALL USERS



EXCELLENCE THROUGH PROFESSIONALIZATION, TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION



5. EQUIP TEAM TO WORK WITH DIVERSE COMMUNITY



6. GROWTH & WELL-BEING OF THE TEAM

OUR PROJECTS

- Develop and execute targeted enforcement and prevention initiatives to address gang activity.
- Execute intelligence-led targeted enforcement projects to proactively address property, violent, and organized crime.
- Develop and launch a digital platform to enhance public awareness of cybercrime and online safety.
- Execute intelligence-led targeted enforcement projects to proactively address property, violent and organized crime activities.
- Implement and expand artificial intelligence (AI) solutions to enhance public safety.
- Operationalize the Drone as a First Responder (DFR) program.
- 1 5 Implement a service delivery enhancement model through the TFN Services Team.
 - 2 Build a coordinated approach to provide outreach and support for vulnerable populations.
- 2 5 Develop a newcomer education and outreach strategy.
 - Deploy a continuous and focused road safety enforcement strategy within the Patrol Services Section.
- Implement Black Cat traffic monitoring to support data-driven traffic enforcement.
 - Implement full-scale frontline deployment of the body-worn camera (BWC) program.
- Implement technology solutions to improve frontline efficiency, public safety, and service delivery.
- Implement AI-driven workflow automation in SharePoint.
- Implement a Department Asset Tracking System
- Develop a disclosure model to support operations.
- Develop and implement a modernized and targeted recruitment strategy.
- Identify potential virtual reality (VR) training solutions for officer training.
- 4 6 Restructure the District Community Police Office (DCPO) model to optimize service delivery and volunteer engagement.
 - Conduct an employee engagement survey to support employee well-being and retention.
 - Establish a peer support program to ensure holistic team care.
 - Support staff well-being through sleep and resilience training.
 - Develop and implement an employee reintegration program to facilitate successful 6 return to work.

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PURPOSE

To inform the Delta Police Board (Board) of the transition from monthly to quarterly crime statistics reporting. This transition will enhance transparency, accuracy, strategic value and aligns with best practices for crime statistic reporting in policing.

DISCUSSION

The Delta Police Department (DPD) currently provides monthly crime statistics to the Board and community through the Board's open agenda to support transparency, informed decision-making, and oversight of policing efforts. While this ensures frequent updates, it also presents challenges, as short-term comparisons can be misleading:

- Short-term fluctuations may create trends that do not accurately reflect broader crime patterns.
- While this possibility still exists, it is less likely with a longer reporting period, as more cases will have been fully reviewed before being reported.

After reviewing best practices in policing, DPD has determined that quarterly public reporting is a more effective and strategic approach. March crime statistics will not be included in the March agenda package, and instead, a Quarterly Crime Statistics Report will be presented in April covering the first quarter of 2025.

While crime statistics will be formally reported on a quarterly basis, ongoing crime trend analysis remains a priority. The DPD Crime Analysts and Watch Commanders continue to actively monitor emerging crime trends, conduct real-time trend assessments, and provide internal intelligence updates. This includes regular Tactical Management Team (TMT) meetings, where operational leaders assess weekly crime trends and adjust response strategies as needed. This ensures that DPD remains proactive in crime prevention and response, even if trends are not formally reported each month.

There are several advantages of quarterly reporting:

1. Increased Accuracy & Meaningful Trends

- Reduces short-term anomalies, providing a more stable and accurate representation of
- Ensures files are reviewed and scored appropriately before reporting, reducing inaccuracies.

2. Stronger Strategic Insights for Decision-Making

- Quarterly reports align with seasonal crime trends, helping the Board and DPD understand trends better.
- Data comparisons will be more meaningful, as trends will be analyzed over time rather than reacting to month-to-month shifts.

3. Alignment with Best Practices

- Many municipal and provincial police agencies across Canada report quarterly, as it improves the quality and reliability of data for governance and oversight.
- Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are also tracked quarterly, ensuring better alignment between crime data and performance metrics.

4. Maintaining Transparency & Public Engagement

- This transition does not reduce transparency-instead, it strengthens it by providing clearer, more accurate, and actionable data.
- Crime statistics will continue to be shared proactively with the public through the Board, media updates, and community engagement efforts.
- Ongoing monitoring and intelligence gathering will ensure that any emerging crime concerns are addressed proactively.

CONCLUSION

Transitioning to quarterly crime statistics reporting will provide the Board with a clearer, more strategic understanding of crime trends while maintaining strong transparency and oversight.

This approach ensures that the Board receives fully validated, accurate data, improving its ability to make informed decisions on public safety. Additionally, it aligns DPD with best practices in law enforcement governance, supports better strategic resource allocation, and strengthens public confidence in crime reporting.



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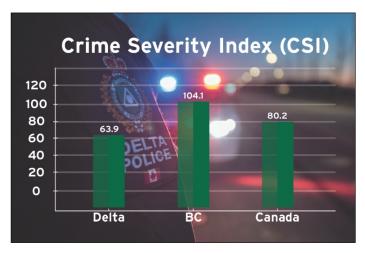
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Police Performance Me	asures: BC Police Resources Survey and Crime Severity Index (CSI)

PURPOSE

This report analyzes the Delta Police Department's (DPD) performance in community safety and resource management using two key measures: the Crime Severity Index (CSI) and the Police Resources in British Columbia (PRBC) report.

DISCUSSION

The DPD monitors two key performance measures annually at the provincial and national levels:



1. Crime Severity Index (CSI)

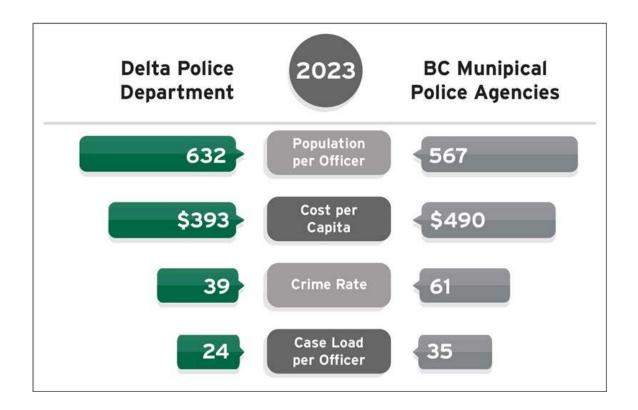
Published by Statistics Canada, the CSI is the only national metric that consistently compares crime across the country. It measures both the volume and severity of reported offences, with lower scores indicating safer communities. While the Delta Police Board has previously reviewed CSI data, it is being presented again as a key performance indicator alongside the latest Police Resources in British Columbia (PRBC) report, released in February 2025. Delta's CSI was 63.9, significantly lower than the BC average of 104.1 and the Canadian average of 80.2.

2. Police Resources in British Columbia (PRBC) Report

Compiled by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General (PSSG), this report provides data on police resources across municipal and RCMP detachments. It allows DPD to assess staffing, funding, and caseloads in the provincial context. The 2025 PRBC report, released in February 2025, is being presented for the first time to the Board. Due to differences in funding models, municipal police agencies like Delta are compared only to other independent municipal departments.

Key Findings

The below graph provides an overview of Delta's police resources in comparison to the average of municipal police agencies.



- Population per Officer The provincial municipal average is 567 residents per officer, while Delta's ratio is now 632, up from 587 in 2022. This increase reflects a growing population with stable police staffing levels. Delta's Official Community Plan (updated in July 2024) projects an additional 31,000 residents over the next two decades—approximately 1,550 new residents annually. This anticipated growth highlights the need for strategic staffing to maintain effective policing and public safety as demand for services increases over the years.
- **Cost per Capita** The municipal average is \$490 per resident, while Delta remains below this at \$393, a slight decrease from 2022 (\$400 per resident).
- **Crime Rate** The municipal average crime rate is 61, with Delta's at 39, unchanged from 2022.
- Caseload¹ per Officer Delta's officers handled an average of 24 cases per officer, below
 the municipal average of 35 and similar to 2022 (23 cases per officer). While this suggests a

¹ Case loads represent the number of Criminal Code offences (excluding drug and traffic offences) per authorized sworn officer. While this is a standard measure of workload, it does not fully reflect the total demand on officers. In Delta, where the No Call Too Small philosophy ensures officers respond to a wide range of calls, many incidents may classify as Criminal Code offences but can still require substantial time and resources. Case load is calculated by dividing the total number of Criminal Code offences in a year by the number of sworn officers as of December 31 of that year. For municipal departments in the Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams, an adjusted strength is used.

manageable workload, it is important to recognize the increasing administrative demands on officers due to British Columbia Prosecution Service's modernization efforts—such as digital evidence management and enhanced disclosure requirements. These responsibilities extend beyond frontline policing, adding to officers' overall workload.

Workload and Strategic Staffing Considerations

Research shows that excessive caseloads contribute to stress, burnout, and reduced effectiveness. As Delta's population grows, ensuring manageable caseloads will be crucial for officer well-being, operational efficiency, and service quality. A balanced workload allows officers to engage in proactive policing rather than simply responding from call to call. Proactive policing—such as community engagement, crime prevention, and intelligence-led initiatives—is key to keeping crime rates low. If officers are constantly reacting to calls, whether they involve Criminal Code offences or not, opportunities to prevent crime and build community trust are reduced.

With a growing population, strategic staffing will be necessary to maintain a balance between community safety, investigative duties, and administrative responsibilities while continuing to meet the community's expectations for excellence in policing services in a modernized justice system.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT: CSWP

These findings will inform the priorities of the upcoming strategic plan and have also been considered in developing the 2025 Annual Business Plan.

CONCLUSION

The findings in this report demonstrate that the DPD is effective in maintaining public safety and managing resources efficiently. Key performance measures, including the CSI and the PRBC report, show that Delta continues to have low crime rates, manageable caseloads, and a cost-effective policing model compared to provincial averages.

The DPD remains committed to excellence in policing services and appreciates the continued support of the Delta Police Board and City of Delta's Mayor and Council, which is essential to maintaining this standard.

As Delta's population grows, strategic staffing and resource planning will be essential to sustaining these positive outcomes. The insights from this report will help guide future decision-making to ensure the DPD remains responsive, efficient, and aligned with community needs.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Police Resources in British Columbia, 2023 (Ministry or Public Safety and Solicitor General)



Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General Policing and Security Branch

Police Resources in British Columbia, 2023

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Effective Jan 1, 2019, new CCJS scoring rules and provincial PRIME policy changes were introduced regarding how incidents are categorized. Incidents of crime that could not be substantiated when followed up by the police are no longer considered "unsubstantiated," unless police find evidence to show the offence did not occur. Consequently, more crimes are now being categorized as "founded," contributing to increases in the number of occurrences for many jurisdictions beginning in 2019.

*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 and as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please refer to the Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers on page 28.

Additional police and crime statistics information can be found on the PSB website: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/criminal-justice/policing-in-bc



Police Resources in British Columbia, 2023

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 *Police Act,* municipalities with a population of 5,000 and over are responsible for providing policing and law enforcement services within their municipal boundaries.

In B.C., policing is provided mainly by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police "RCMP" (federal, provincial and municipal services), municipal police departments, and one Indigenous 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 B.C.; 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.

Federal Service

The 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 2023, the authorized strength of the federal service in British Columbia was 934 member positions which included 125 protective policing positions.

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 of B.C. signed a new 20-year *Provincial Police Service Agreement* (PPSA) with the Government of Canada to contract the RCMP as B.C.'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%¹.

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 Provincial Police Service (RCMP). In 2023, the Police Tax generated a total of \$36M which was 33 per cent of the Province's estimated 70 per cent share of rural and small community GD/GIS costs. The Police Tax is under the purview of the Ministry of Finance. Revenues go into the Province's Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Provincial Police 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.

Police Resources in British Columbia, 2023



In addition to detachment policing, the Provincial Police Service maintains the capacity and expertise to resolve the highest risk incidents; target organized crime, gang and 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 aircrafts.

In 2023, 799 member positions were assigned to provide GD/GIS at provincial detachments, serving a population of 726,408 including 82 municipalities with populations below 5,000 persons in addition to unincorporated areas. The total authorized strength of B.C.'s Provincial Police Service was 2,602.

Municipal Policing

Under the *Police Act*, a municipality is responsible for the provision of policing and law enforcement 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 must provide their policing by one of the three models outlined in the *Police Act* - their own municipal police department, contract with an existing municipal police department, or contract with the provincial government for the RCMP to establish a municipal police unit (MPU).

In 2023, there were 80 municipalities in B.C. responsible for providing policing services within their municipal boundaries. 12 municipalities were policed by municipal police departments, 67 were policed solely by municipal police units (RCMP), and one municipality was undergoing municipal police model transition².

Municipal Police Units²

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

In accordance with these agreements, municipalities with an RCMP municipal police unit (MPU) benefit through a cost shared arrangement with the federal government¹. Per the terms of the MPSA and the MPUA, municipalities between 5,000 and 14,999 population pay 70% of the RCMP costs while municipalities with 15,000 population or higher pay 90%. The remaining 30% and 10%, respectively, are paid by the federal government¹. Some costs, such as accommodations and municipal support staff, are not eligible for cost sharing under the MPSA/MPUA.

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). Typically, integrated detachments operate on a post-dispatch system which means members are not restricted to a specific jurisdiction and respond to calls in any of the policing jurisdictions served by the detachment. In the example of the North Vancouver Detachment, members of the three policing jurisdictions, regardless of whether they are assigned to the North Vancouver City Municipal Unit or the North Vancouver Provincial Unit etc., will respond to calls in all of the policing jurisdictions served by the detachment. In integrated detachments, members from each policing unit report to one detachment commander.

The regional detachment structure adds another layer to integration. Regional detachments offer a central point for management, coordination, and comptrollership for multiple integrated or stand-alone detachments in a defined area. For example, the Kelowna Regional Detachment is comprised of the Kelowna Municipal Unit, West Kelowna Municipal Unit, Peachland Municipal Unit, Kelowna Provincial Unit, and the Lake Country Municipal Unit. These units operate from multiple bases in the area: the Kelowna Municipal Unit operates out of a detachment in the City of Kelowna; the West Kelowna Integrated Detachment houses the West Kelowna Municipal Unit, Peachland Municipal Unit, and Kelowna Provincial Unit; and the Lake Country Detachment houses the Lake Country Municipal Unit. These types of arrangements allow for specialized and/or administrative police services to be delivered regionally.

In 2023, a total of 67 municipalities² in B.C. were policed solely by RCMP municipal police units, with a combined



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total authorized strength of 3,341 member positions.

There were 35 municipalities between 5,000 and 14,999 population with RCMP municipal police units, with a total strength of 468 member positions. There were 32 municipalities with a population of 15,000 or higher that had RCMP municipal police units, with a total strength of 2,873 member positions. (*Note: Includes adjusted strength figures for MPUs participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams*).

Municipal Police Model in Transition

In February 2020, Ministerial approval was provided to the City of Surrey that it may provide its policing and law enforcement services by means of a municipal police department. The implementation of Surrey's police model transition is two-pronged: 1) the establishment of the Surrey Police Service (SPS), and 2) the integrated police model transition period. Combined, implementation of these two components would culminate in the SPS being the City of Surrey's police agency of jurisdiction, fully staffed with SPS officers, and all transition provisions completed.

Since late 2020, the SPS and the Surrey Police Board have been carrying out the necessary work to establish the police agency including: hiring staff, developing departmental policies and procedures, establishing contract/agreement relationships for goods and services; acquiring equipment and information management/technology (IM/IT) infrastructure; and building those IM/IT platforms.

In 2023, the progression of the transition and the hiring of SPS officers was temporarily halted following the November 2022 Surrey municipal election, in which the City of Surrey proposed to reverse the transition. The Minister carefully considered the City's transition reversal plan and concluded that reversing the transition would create public safety risks. The Minister then directed that the City must continue its transition to the SPS. Per the *Police Amendment Act, 2023,* the City must provide its policing by means of a municipal police department, the SPS. This version of the *Police Resources in B.C. Publication* is for the 2023 calendar year, during this time the Surrey Municipal Police Unit (RCMP) remained the City's police of jurisdiction (POJ) while the Surrey Police Board and SPS continued the necessary work to build the SPS. On November 29, 2024, the SPS became the City of Surrey's POJ, assuming command of all policing and law enforcement in the City of Surrey while the BC RCMP, as the provincial police service continue to operate in Surrey providing temporary transitional supports to Surrey until the completion of the transition.

With respect to police resources, as of December 31, 2023, the SPS had hired 350 sworn officers and 60 civilian support staff. In addition, 190 of SPS' officers were operationally deployed within the Surrey RCMP detachment. The remaining SPS officers and civilian staff that were not deployed within the Surrey RCMP were performing management/supervisory roles, functions required to establish the SPS, and/or were awaiting deployment.

As of December 31, 2023, the total strength for SPS and Surrey RCMP Municipal Unit was a combined 1,023^{3,4} member positions.

Municipal Police Departments

Twelve (12) municipalities in B.C. 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. Notably, in 2023, the City of Surrey was continuing to transition to its own municipal police department, the SPS. During this time, the Surrey RCMP Municipal Unit remained the Police of Jurisdiction (POJ). On November 29, 2024, the SPS became the City of Surrey's POJ, assuming command of all policing and law enforcement in the City of Surrey while the BC RCMP, as the provincial police service continue to operate in Surrey providing temporary transitional supports to Surrey until the transition process complete on November 29, 2026.

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

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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 all their policing costs.

In 2023, the combined total authorized strength of the 12 municipal police departments responsible under the *Police Act* for providing policing services was 2,608 officer positions (*Note: Includes adjusted strength figures representing the sworn officers from municipal police departments for municipalities participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams).*

Indigenous Policing Services

Enhanced Policing Services to First Nations Communities

Through the First Nations and Inuit Policing Program (FNIPP) established in 1991, both the federal and provincial governments cost-share culturally responsive policing services that are above and beyond the operational policing services already provided to the community under the *Provincial Police Service Agreement* (PPSA). The provincial share of funding for the FNIPP is 48% and the federal share is 52%. Enhanced policing services are professional, dedicated, and culturally responsive to participating First Nations and Inuit communities, and are designed to allow Nations to have greater input over the delivery of policing services within their communities. FNIPP services in B.C. are typically established under *Community Tripartite Agreements* (CTAs) or *Self-Administered Police Agreements*.

Indigenous Policing Services (formerly First Nations Community Policing Services)

The RCMP Indigenous Policing Services (IPS) in B.C. is provided for under the *Framework Agreement* between the federal and provincial governments. As of December 31, 2023, the authorized strength for RCMP IPS is 117.5 member positions. Each IPS Unit is established under a *Community Tripartite Agreement* (CTA) between the provincial government, the federal government and the participating First Nations. British Columbia currently has 59 CTAs with 133 First Nations and is in the process of renewing these agreements with each signatory Nation. See page 8 and 9 for a list of IPS positions by Community and RCMP Detachment.

Integrated First Nations Police Unit

In 2007, the provincial government, the West Vancouver Police Board, the Squamish First Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh First Nation signed an enhanced policing agreement to create the Integrated First Nations Policing Unit (IFNU). IFNU is comprised of five members from Squamish and North Vancouver municipal police units (RCMP) and two members from the West Vancouver Police Department. While British Columbia fully funds six of the IFNU's members, one member is funded under FNIPP's 52%/48% cost-share with Canada. This agreement provides enhanced policing services to Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh lands located in Vancouver, North Vancouver, West Vancouver, and the Squamish Valley.

Tsawwassen Quadripartite Agreement

In 2020, the federal government, the provincial government, the City of Delta, and the Tsawwassen First Nation (TFN) signed a five-year policing agreement to allow the Delta Police Department to deliver enhanced policing services to the Tsawwassen First Nation. Like other enhanced policing agreements under the FNIPP, this agreement is cost-shared by the federal and provincial governments following the same 52%/48% split. There is currently one member providing enhanced policing services to TFN under this Agreement.

Self-Administered Policing Services

Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Service (STPS) is the only Indigenous Self-administered Police Service in British Columbia and is governed by the Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Board whose members are selected from each of the ten communities it serves. All STPS officers, many of whom are from the St'at'imc Nations, are appointed under the *Police Act*, and are either experienced officers who transfer to STPS, or recent graduates who have completed the standard police academy training for police recruit constables at the Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC). In 2020, the ten St'at'imc Nations signed a 10-year agreement with the federal and provincial governments to increase their authorized strength to 14 officer positions.



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Integrated Teams in B.C.

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

In addition, integrated teams provide services to more than one policing jurisdiction. In B.C., 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, drug enforcement and border integrity.

Provincial Integrated Teams: may include members/sworn officers 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/sworn officers 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 a predetermined funding formula. For example, the RCMP's Lower Mainland District (LMD) Police Dog Service provides service to all municipal and provincial policing jurisdictions, served by the RCMP, in the LMD, as well as to the Abbotsford, Delta, New Westminster, and Port Moody Municipal Police Departments.

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British Columbia Policing Jurisdictions

RCMP ISLAND DISTRICT

Alert Bay Prov Campbell River Mun Campbell River Prov Colwood Mun Comox Mun Comox Valley Prov Courtenay Mun Duncan Mun **Duncan Prov** Gabriola Island Prov Ladvsmith Mun Ladvsmith Prov Lake Cowichan Prov Langford Mun Metchosin 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 Salt Spring Island Prov

Sayward Prov Shawnigan Lake Prov Sidney Mun Sidney Prov

Sidney Prov Sooke Mun Sooke Prov Texada Island

Texada Island Prov Tofino Prov

Ucluelet Prov View Royal Mun West Shore Prov

RCMP LOWER MAINLAND DISTRICT

Agassiz Prov
Barnston Island Prov⁴
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 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 Daajing Giids Prov⁵ 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 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

RCMP SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Armstrong Mun

Williams Lake Mun

Williams Lake Prov

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

Merritt Mun Merritt Prov Midway Prov Nakusp Prov Nelson Prov Oliver Mun Oliver Prov Osoyoos Mun Osovoos 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

MUNICIPAL POLICE MODEL IN TRANSITION

Surrey Mun²

Vernon Prov

West Kelowna Mun

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

INDIGENOUS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICE

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Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police

Mun = Municipal Prov = Provincial

Lumby Prov

Lytton Prov



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FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES POLICED BY DETACHMENT

Detachment	Auth.Strength	De
Agassiz & Chilliwack - Upper Fraser Valley ⁶ Chehalis First Nation Sto:lo (Scowlitz First Nation) Kwantlen First Nation, Soowahlie First Nation, Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation, Seabird Island First Nation, Chawathil First Nation, Kwaw-kwaw-Apilt First Nation, Cheam First Nation	7	Daa Dea Dea Is T Enc
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Ahousaht First Nation		N
Alert Bay	2	T
Da'Naxda'xw First Nation Gwawaenuk First Nation Namgis First Nation Tlowitsis First Nation Tsawataineuk First Nation		For E E H
Alexis Creek	3	K
Alexis Creek First Nation Stone First Nation Xeni Gwet'in First Nation	·	۷ Ke
Anaham First Nation		L
Anahim Lake	1	Kit
Ulkatcho First Nation	•	K
Bella Bella	2	La
Heiltsuk First Nation Oweekeno First Nation		La
Bella Coola	1	
Nuxalk First Nation	ı	Lis
Burns Lake	3	LIS
Burns Lake First Nation	J	Lyt
Cheslatta Carrier First Nation Nee-Tahi-Buhn First Nation Skin Tyee First Nation Wet'su'wet'en First Nation		- Ly i K L
Campbell River	1	S
Campbell River First Nation	•	5
Cape Mudge First Nation (We Wai Kai) Homalco First Nation		Ma N
Chase	1	Ma
Little Shuswap Lake Neskonlith		Me
Chetwynd		C
Saulteau	0.5	L
West Moberly First Nation	0.5	Ŋ
Cranbrook	3	5
Akisqu'nuk First Nation		
Lower Kootenay First Nation St. Mary's First Nation Tobacco Plains Indian Band		Na N S
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Detachment	Auth.Strength
Daajing Giids ⁵	2
Skidegate Council	_
Dease Lake	2
Dease River First Nation	
Iskut First Nation	
Tahltan Council	
Enderby	1
Spallumcheen	
Fort St. James	4
Nak'azdli First Nation	
Tl'azt'en First Nation	
Fort St. John	3
Blueberry River First Nation	
Doig River First Nation	
Halfway River First Nation	
Kamloops	4
Kamloops First Nation	
Skeetchestn First Nation	
Whispering Pines / Clinton First Nation	
Keremeos	1
Lower Similkameen	_
Kitimat	1
Kitimaat First Nation (Haisla)	4
Ladysmith	1
Chemainus First Nation	4
Lake Cowichan	1
Ditidaht First Nation	3
Lisims/Nass Valley Nisga'a	3
Lytton	2
Cooks Ferry Indian Band	2
Kanaka Bar Indian Band	
Lytton First Nation	
Nicomen Indian Band	
Siska Indian Band	
Skuppah Indian Band	
Mackenzie	1
McLeod Lake Indian Band	
Masset	2
Old Masset Village Council	
Merritt	4
Coldwater Council	
Lower Nicola Council	
Nooaitch Council	
Shackan Council	
Upper Nicola Council	
Nanaimo	
Nanoose First Nation	0.5
Snuneymuxw Council	1.5



Auth.Strength

FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES POLICED BY DETACHMENT, CONTINUED

Detachment	Auth.Strength	Detachment
New Hazelton Gitanmaax First Nation Gitanyow First Nation Gitsegukla First Nation Gitwangak First Nation Glen Vowell First Nation	2	Sidney / North Saanich Pauquachin First Nation Tsartlip First Nation Tsawout First Nation Tseycum First Nation Smithers
Hagwilget First Nation Kispiox First Nation		Moricetown First Nation Fort Babine First Nation
North Cowichan	4	Lake Babine Nation
Cowichan Tribes		Sunshine Coast
North Vancouver	1	Sechelt Council
Burrard (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nation		Surrey
Squamish First Nation		Semiahmoo First Nation
Northern Rockies	2	Takla Landing
Fort Nelson First Nation		Takla Lake First Nation
Prophet River First Nation		Terrace
Oliver	1	Kitselas First Nation
Osoyoos First Nation		Kitsumkalum First Nation
One Hundred Mile House	1	Tsay Keh Dene
Canim Lake Council		Kwadacha First Nation
Penticton	2	Tsay Keh Dene First Nation
Penticton Indian Band		Ucluelet
Port Alberni		Toquaht First Nation
Hupacasath First Nation	2	Yuulu?il?ath First Nation
Tseshaht First Nation	_	Vanderhoof
Huu-ay-aht First Nation	2	Saik'uz First Nation
Uchucklesaht First Nation		Vernon
Port Hardy	2	Okanagan First Nation
Gwa'Sala-Nakwaxda'xw First Nation		West Kelowna
Kwakiutl First Nation		Westbank First Nation
Quatsino First Nation	4	Westshore
Port McNeil (Tahsis)	1	Esquimalt Council
Ka:'yu:'k't'h / Che:k:tles7et'h' First Nation		Songhees Council
Powell River	1	Williams Lake
Sliammon Council		Canoe Creek First Nation
Prince Rupert		Esk'etemc First Nation
Gitxaala First Nation	3	Soda Creek Council
Gitga'at First Nation	•	Williams Lake Council
Kitasoo First Nation	2	"E" Division
Lax-kw'alaams First Nation	3 2	Program Administrator
Quesnel	2	Recruiter
Alexandria Council Kluskus Council (Lhoosk'uz Dene Govt)		

Tsawout First Nation
Tseycum First Nation
Smithers

Moricetown First Nation
Fort Babine First Nation
Lake Babine Nation
Sunshine Coast
Sechelt Council
Surrey

Takla Landing
Takla Landing
Takla Lake First Nation
Terrace

Kitselas First Nation
Kitsumkalum First Nation
Tsay Keh Dene
Kwadacha First Nation
Tsay Keh Dene First Nation
Ucluelet
Toquaht First Nation
Yunlu?il?ath First Nation
Vanderhoof
Saik'uz First Nation
West Kelowna
Westbank First Nation
West Kelowna
Westshore
Esquimalt Council
Songhees Council
Williams Lake
Canoe Creek First Nation
Soda Creek Council
Williams Lake Council



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MUNICIPAL POLICE UNITS (RCMP): 5,000 TO 14,999 POPULATION

Municipality	Population	Auth. Strength	Adjusted Strength ⁷	Pop Per Officer	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load	Total Costs ⁸	Cost Per Capita
Armstrong Mun	6,370	4	4	1,593	257	40	64	\$764,209	\$120
Castlegar Mun	9,162	13	13	705	882	96	68	\$2,324,887	\$254
Coldstream Mun	11,587	7	7	1,655	293	25	42	\$1,630,027	\$141
Comox Mun ⁹	16,137	12	12	1,391	579	36	50	\$2,032,723	\$126
Creston Mun	6,002	7	7	857	535	89	76	\$1,240,389	\$207
Dawson Creek Mun	13,008	25	25	520	2,120	163	85	\$5,324,588	\$409
Duncan Mun ⁵²	5,520	9	9	613	1,604	291	178	\$1,492,412	\$270
Fernie Mun	7,157	6	9	1,193	301	42	50	\$1,095,493	\$153
Hope Mun ⁷	7,793	14	15	505	1,233	158	80	\$2,287,260	\$294
Kent Mun ⁷	7,604	6	7	1,161	359	47	55	\$920,153	\$121
Kimberley Mun	8,820	8	8	1,103	359	41	45	\$1,246,625	\$141
Kitimat Mun	8,865	20	20	443	783	88	39	\$3,656,659	\$412
Ladysmith Mun	9,689	8	8	1,211	594	61	74	\$1,904,693	\$197
Merritt Mun	11,297	17	17	665	1,387	123	82	\$3,586,190	\$317
Metchosin Mun ⁵²	5,286	4	4	1,322	144	27	36	\$423,253	\$80
North Saanich Mun	13,230	12	12	1,103	379	29	32	\$2,555,216	\$193
Oliver Mun ⁵²	5,320	5	5	1,064	620	117	124	\$617,716	\$116
Osoyoos Mun	5,858	6	6	976	397	68	66	\$1,022,517	\$175
Parksville Mun	14,515	17	17	854	1,413	97	83	\$3,169,255	\$218
Peachland Mun	6,149	4	4	1,537	247	40	62	\$868,925	\$141
Powell River Mun	14,771	21	21	703	1,458	99	69	\$3,711,528	\$251
Prince Rupert Mun	11,425	36	36	317	2,029	178	56	\$6,826,031	\$597
Qualicum Beach Mun	9,591	8	8	1,199	258	27	32	\$1,298,151	\$135
Quesnel Mun	10,076	24	24	420	2,449	243	102	\$4,662,883	\$463
Revelstoke Mun	9,035	14	14	645	473	52	34	\$2,531,841	\$280
Sechelt Mun ⁷	11,048	12	13	852	1,300	118	100	\$2,625,739	\$238
Sidney Mun	13,158	16	16	822	634	48	40	\$2,589,569	\$197
Smithers Mun	5,610	11	11	510	1,148	205	104	\$2,219,104	\$396
Spallumcheen Mun	5,176	4	4	1,294	194	37	49	\$476,151	\$92
Summerland Mun	12,551	9	9	1,395	701	56	78	\$2,206,116	\$176
Terrace Mun	12,955	28	28	463	2,243	173	80	\$4,604,568	\$355
Trail Mun	8,290	14	14	592	948	114	68	\$2,268,784	\$274
View Royal Mun	12,582	13	13	942	608	48	46	\$2,542,397	\$202
Whistler Mun ^{7,9}	16,055	26	26	618	959	60	37	\$4,734,154	\$295
Williams Lake Mun	11,398	25	25	456	2,268	199	91	\$5,148,810	\$452
Total	343,090	465	468	733	32,156	94	69	\$86,609,016	\$252

MUNICIPAL POLICE UNITS (RCMP): 15,000 POPULATION OR HIGHER²

Municipality	Population	Auth. Strength	Adjusted Strength ⁷	Pop Per Officer	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load	Total Costs ⁸	Cost Per Capita
Burnaby Mun ⁷	283,439	301	321	884	15,743	56	49	\$77,832,449	\$275
Campbell River Mun	38,116	49	49	778	5,812	152	119	\$12,255,881	\$322
Chilliwack Mun ^{7,10}	118,399	149	162	729	12,695	107	78	\$38,729,636	\$327
Colwood Mun	21,428	22	22	992	1,372	64	64	\$5,337,110	\$249
Coquitlam Mun ^{7,10}	166,816	168	176	945	7,419	44	42	\$40,418,119	\$242
Courtenay Mun	32,226	31	31	1,026	4,148	129	132	\$5,903,260	\$183
Cranbrook Mun	21,941	30	30	731	2,615	119	87	\$7,346,734	\$335
Fort St. John Mun	23,679	38	38	623	3,709	157	98	\$10,302,776	\$435
Kamloops Mun	87,298	153	153	571	14,992	172	98	\$33,328,271	\$382

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MUNICIPAL POLICE UNITS (RCMP): 15,000 POPULATION OR HIGHER, CONTINUED

		Auth.	Adjusted	Pop Per	ccc	Crime	Case		Cost Per
Municipality	Population	Strength	Strength ⁷	Officer	Offences	Rate	Load	Total Costs ⁸	Capita
Kelowna Mun	161,121	228	228	707	18,214	113	80	\$58,459,205	\$363
Lake Country Mun ⁵²	17,547	18	18	975	751	43	42	\$4,665,717	\$266
Langford Mun	55,025	65	65	846	3,286	60	51	\$14,170,037	\$258
Langley City Mun ^{7,10}	33,573	51	57	592	4,386	131	77	\$16,081,185	\$479
Langley Township Mun ^{7,10}	154,926	164	176	883	8,716	56	50	\$41,904,263	\$270
Maple Ridge Mun ^{7,10}	102,551	108	118	871	6,798	66	58	\$27,403,486	\$267
Mission Mun ⁷	48,110	53	58	834	4,664	97	81	\$14,311,236	\$297
Nanaimo Mun ¹⁰	108,686	161	161	675	12,030	111	75	\$36,149,809	\$333
North Cowichan Mun	33,592	32	32	1,050	2,958	88	92	\$7,169,077	\$213
North Vancouver City Mun ^{7,11}	65,348	68	69	951	4,664	71	68	\$18,469,494	\$283
North Vancouver District Mun ^{7,11}	99,181	87	87	1,140	3,571	36	41	\$21,222,310	\$214
Penticton Mun	38,997	57	57	684	6,800	174	119	\$12,764,832	\$327
Pitt Meadows Mun ^{10,12}	21,249	23	25	864	1,102	52	45	\$5,360,380	\$252
Port Alberni Mun	19,702	34	34	579	3,523	179	104	\$10,056,882	\$510
Port Coquitlam Mun ^{7,10}	67,047	76	80	839	3,850	57	48	\$17,921,754	\$267
Prince George Mun	82,514	149	149	554	15,254	185	102	\$33,916,363	\$411
Richmond Mun ^{7,13}	235,068	286	292	805	13,604	58	47	\$73,642,095	\$313
Salmon Arm Mun	20,625	21	21	982	1,602	78	76	\$4,405,845	\$214
Sooke Mun ⁵²	16,800	14	14	1,200	909	54	65	\$3,348,746	\$199
Squamish Mun ^{7,10}	26,081	28	30	869	1,798	69	60	\$6,481,381	\$249
Vernon Mun	48,349	58	58	834	6,169	128	106	\$17,324,075	\$358
West Kelowna Mun	39,855	36	36	1,107	1,973	50	55	\$8,780,431	\$220
White Rock Mun ⁷	24,219	26	27	898	1,809	75	67	\$7,039,412	\$291
Total	2,313,508	2,784	2,873	805	196,936	85	69	\$692,502,251	\$299

MUNICIPAL POLICE MODEL IN TRANSITION^{2,3}

Municipality	Population	Auth. Strength	Adjusted Strength ⁷	Pop. Per Officer	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load	Total Costs ⁸	Cost Per Capita
Surrey RCMP (POJ)		673	673					\$172,689,517	
Surrey Police Service		350	350					\$83,694,936	
Surrey Mun Total	653,898	1,023	1,023	639	41,275	63	40	\$256,384,453	\$392

MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS²

Municipality	Population	Auth. Strength ¹⁴	Adjusted Strength ⁷	Pop. Per Officer	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load	Total Costs ^{8,14}	Cost Per Capita
Abbotsford Mun ^{7,10}	151,089	214	221	706	9,628	64	44	\$67,150,469	\$444
Central Saanich Mun	18,370	23	23	799	471	26	20	\$5,225,944	\$284
Delta Mun ^{7,10,15}	122,685	194	197	632	4,818	39	24	\$48,230,776	\$393
Nelson City Mun	11,875	21	21	565	1,116	94	53	\$5,378,265	\$453
New Westminster Mun ⁷	88,363	114	117	756	5,591	63	48	\$33,246,014	\$376
Oak Bay Mun	18,849	24	24	785	470	25	20	\$6,311,213	\$335
Port Moody Mun ⁷	37,699	52	54	703	1,015	27	19	\$14,894,058	\$395
Saanich Mun	125,473	166	166	756	4,486	36	27	\$43,904,217	\$350
Vancouver Mun ⁷	733,718	1,448	1,448	507	48,812	67	34	\$406,897,433	\$555
Victoria Mun ¹⁶	120,433	255	255	472	11,612	96	46	\$71,995,327	\$598
West Vancouver Mun ^{7,10}	50,674	79	82	620	2,467	49	30	\$21,094,251	\$416
Total	1,479,228	2,590	2,608	567	90,486	61	35	\$724,327,967	\$490

Participating LMD Integrated Team municipalities and their adjusted strength figures, including the Municipal Police Units (RCMP) Regular Members and Municipal Police Department's sworn officers, are italicized in the Municipal Police Statistics, 2023 table. The adjusted strength has been used to calculate population per officer and case load.



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INDIGENOUS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES

Policing Jurisdiction	Population	Auth. Strength	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load
Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Service	2,881	14	343	119	25
Total	2,881	14	343	119	25

JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE (RCMP)

Policing Jurisdiction	Population	Assigned GD/GIS	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load
Agassiz Prov	4,612	9	637	138	71
Alert Bay Prov	1,218	4	208	171	52
Alexis Creek Prov	1,659	6	179	108	30
Anahim Lake Prov	657	4	97	148	24
Armstrong Prov ¹⁷	1,131	3	6	5	2
Ashcroft Prov	5,789	6	399	69	67
Atlin Prov	500	3	92	184	31
Barnston Island Prov ⁴	199	1	10	50	10
Barriere Prov	6,006	4	204	34	51
Bella Bella Prov	1,790	5	282	158	56
Bella Coola Prov	2,285	4	287	126	72
Boston Bar Prov	733	3	193	263	64
Bowen Island Prov	4,601	3	106	23	35
Burns Lake Prov	5,890	12	755	128	63
Campbell River Prov	6,134	8	907	148	113
Chase Prov	11,277	9	660	59	73
Chetwynd Prov	4,911	10	540	110	54
Chilliwack Prov	7,622	9	930	122	103
Clearwater Prov	6,202	6	244	39	41
Clinton Prov	2945	4	120	41	30
Columbia Valley Prov	12,446	11	733	59	67
Comox Valley Prov	29,329	19	1,257	43	66
Coquitlam Prov	3,320	3	67	20	22
Cranbrook Prov	7,950	4	333	42	83
Creston Prov	9,401	6	243	26	41
Daajing Giids Prov ⁵	3,133	5	182	58	36
Dawson Creek Prov	6,216	6	321	52	54
Dease Lake Prov	1,439	7	137	95	20
Duncan Prov	11,476	21	1,565	136	75
Elk Valley Detachment ¹⁸	10,367	13	475	46	37
Elkford Prov	2,912	3	83	29	28
Fernie	2,572	4	123	48	31
Sparwood	4,883	5	179	37	36
Enderby Prov	8,137	8	446	55	56
Falkland Prov	2,961	3	111	37	37
Fort St. James Prov	3,948	14	1,157	293	83
Fort St. John Prov	13,415	10	686	51	69
Fraser Lake Prov	3,146	5	246	78	49
Gabriola Island Prov	4,785	3	251	52	84
Golden Prov	7,978	11	348	44	32
Hope Prov	1,742	5	214	123	43
Houston Granisle Prov ¹⁹	4,403	11	704	160	64
Hudsons Hope Prov	1,155	3	80	69	27
Kelowna Prov	20,567	16	1,922	93	120



JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE (RCMP), CONTINUED

Policing Jurisdiction	Population	Assigned GD/GIS	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load
Keremeos Prov ²⁰	5,445	6	336	62	58
Kimberley Prov	2,056	2	77	37	39
Kitimat Prov	549	4	43	78	11
Kootenay Boundary Regional ²¹	56,282	53	2,536	45	48
Castlegar	6,660	3	247	37	82
Grand Forks	9,522	10	327	34	33
Kaslo	2,590	3	138	53	46
Midway	3,191	4	267	84	67
Nakusp	3,695	4	270	73	68
Nelson	13,315	6	437	33	73
Salmo	2,800	4	160	57	40
Slocan Lake	2,212	3	178	80	59
Trail & Greater District	12,297	8	512	42	64
Ladysmith Prov	6,784	5	494	73	99
Lake Cowichan Prov	7,320	10	523	71	52
Lillooet Prov	3,277	7	440	134	63
Lisims-Nass Valley Prov	1,830	5	308	168	62
Logan Lake Prov	4,091	3	171	42	57
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Lumby Prov	7,277	5	212		42
Lytton Prov	2,348	4	97	41	24
Mackenzie Prov	3,548	10	362	102	36
Masset Prov	2,444	7	425	174	61
McBride Prov	1,667	4	84	50	21
Merritt Prov	5,681	5	263	46	53
Mission Prov	5,351	5	301	56	60
Nanaimo Prov	16,386	8	729	44	91
New Hazelton Prov	5,580	12	944	169	79
Nootka Sound Prov	2,015	6	175	87	29
North Vancouver Prov ^{22,23}	43	2	500		250
Northern Rockies Prov ⁵²	4,637	16	1,027	221	64
Oceanside Prov	29,659	12	1,072	36	89
Oliver Prov ²⁰	5,283	8	434	82	56
One Hundred Mile House Prov	15,083	14	848	56	61
Osoyoos Prov ²⁰	3,405	4	212	62	57
Outer Gulf Islands Prov	6,353	5	174	27	35
Pemberton Prov	5,840	9	199	34	22
Penticton Prov ²⁰	12,310	8	707	57	91
Port Alberni Prov	8,514	8	399	47	50
Port Alice Prov	778	2	53	68	27
Port Hardy Prov	5,588	13	1,415	253	109
Port McNeill Prov	4,223	9	328	78	36
Powell River Prov	6,314	5	289	46	58
Prince George Prov ²⁴	14,720	7	503	34	72
Prince Rupert Prov	2,189	8	194	89	24
Princeton Prov	6,038	7	430	71	61
Quadra Island Prov	4,190	4	201	48	50
Quesnel Prov	13,414	10	609	45	61
Revelstoke Prov	553	2	54	98	27
Ridge Meadows Prov ^{23,25}	53	3	7		2
Salmon Arm Prov	10,970	5	430	39	86
Salt Spring Island Prov	12,433	8	463	37	58
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JURISDICTIONS POLICED BY THE PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE (RCMP), CONTINUED

Policing Jurisdiction	Population	Assigned GD/GIS	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load
Sayward Prov	805	3	101	125	34
Shawnigan Lake Prov	20,476	11	777	38	71
Sicamous Prov	4,293	6	310	72	52
Sidney Prov	3,747	4	282	75	71
Smithers Prov	8,103	6	339	42	57
Sooke Prov	5,881	4	247	42	62
Squamish Prov ^{26,27}	2,354	6	128	54	21
Stewart Prov	552	4	59	107	15
Sunshine Coast Prov	23,056	22	1,196	52	54
T'Kumlups Prov ²⁴	17,228	9	855	50	95
Takla Landing Prov	273	2	72	264	36
Terrace Prov ²⁴	8,136	8	313	38	39
Texada Island Prov	1,217	2	41	34	21
Tofino Prov ²⁸	4,392	8	459	105	57
Tsay Keh Dene Prov	485	4	416	858	104
Tumbler Ridge Prov	2,623	5	140	53	28
Ucluelet Prov	3,289	4	259	79	65
University Prov	20,868	17	1,495	72	88
Valemount Prov	1,720	6	152	88	25
Vanderhoof Prov	8,586	13	924	108	71
Vernon Prov	13,690	9	593	43	66
Wells Prov	359	3	31	86	10
West Shore Prov	4,387	4	212	48	53
Whistler Prov	353	4	18	51	5
Williams Lake Prov ²⁹	13,539	9	419	31	47
Total	726,408	799	47,240	65	59

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Police Statistics Summary, 2023

Policing Jurisdiction	Population	Auth. Strength ³⁰	Pop. Per Officer	CCC Offences	Crime Rate	Case Load
MUNICIPAL POLICE UNITS (RCMP) TOTAL	2,656,598	3,341	795	229,092	86	69
Between 5,000 and 14,999 Population	343,090	468	733	32,156	94	69
15,000 Population or Higher ²	2,313,508	2,873	805	196,936	85	69
MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS	1,479,228	2,608	567	90,486	61	35
PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE (RCMP)	726,408	799 ³¹	909	47,240	65	59
INDIGENOUS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES	2,881	14	206	343	119	25
SURREY POLICE MODEL IN TRANSITION ^{2,3}	653,898	1,023	639	41,275	63	40



Government Contributions to Policing, 2023

Total Police Costs Paid By:

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Type of Service ³²	Str.30	Population ³³	Mun Govt ³⁴	Govt ³⁵	Fed Govt ³⁶	Total
Municipal Police Units (RCMP) ^{37,38,39}						
35 Units 5,000 to 14,999 Population	468	343,090	\$86,609,016	-	\$28,940,146	\$115,549,162
32 Units 15,000 Population or Higher ²	2,873	2,313,508	\$692,502,251	-	\$63,819,387	\$756,321,638
Total	3,341	2,656,598	\$779,111,267	-	\$92,759,533	\$871,870,800
11 Municipal Police Departments ⁴⁰						
Total	2,608	1,479,228	\$724,327,967	-	\$924,050	\$725,252,017
Provincial Police Service (RCMP) ^{41,42}						
Total	2,602	-	-	\$571,902,806	\$243,192,721	\$815,095,527
Indigenous Self-Administered Police Services	43					
Total	14	2,881	-	\$1,398,805	\$1,515,373	\$2,914,178
Indigenous Policing Services (RCMP)42,44,45						
Total	117.5	-	-	\$ 13,709,487	\$14,851,944	\$28,561,431
Surrey Police Model in Transition ²						
Total ^{3,38,39,46}	1,023	653,898	\$256,384,453	\$2,187,759	\$16,010,196	\$274,582,408
BRITISH COLUMBIA TOTAL	9,705	5,519,013	\$ 1,759,823,687	\$589,198,857	\$369,253,817	\$2,718,276,361

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British Columbia Authorized Strength⁴⁷ by Responsibility 2014-2023

POLICING RESPONSIBILITY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
DIVISION ADMINISTRATION ⁴⁸ (RCMP)	111	103	101	99	99	99	98	98	97	99
RCMP FEDERAL SERVICE	1,058	1,038	1,050	1,059	1,044	1,038	965	957	947	934
Federal Criminal Law Protective Policing	906 152	905 133	918 132	928 131	911 133	903 135	835 130	827 130	821 126	809 125
PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE ⁴⁹ (RCMP)	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602	2,602
Provincial, District & Specialized Resources	1,830	1,830	1,827	1,829	1,829	1,827	1,801	1,794	1,803	1,803
Provincial Detachments – General Duty & General Investigation Service	772	772	775	773	773	775	801	808	799	799
MUNICIPAL POLICE UNITS ² (RCMP)	3,468	3,606	3,672	3,730	3,799	3,876	3,931	3,972	3,187	3,249
SURREY POLICE MODEL IN TRANSITION ^{2,3}									1,023	1,023
MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS	2,405	2,407	2,422	2,429	2,440	2,447	2,478	2,476	2,481	2,590
INDIGENOUS POLICING SERVICES (RCMP) ⁴⁴	108.5	108.5	108.5	108.5	108.5	112.5	117.5	117.5	117.5	117.5
INDIGENOUS SELF-ADMINISTERED POLICE SERVICES	10	10	10	10	10	12	14	14	14	14
SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE ⁵⁰	167	167	167	175	183	183	183	183	184	184
VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ⁵¹	27	27	27	27	27	30	30	30	30	30
BRITISH COLUMBIA TOTAL	9,958	10,070	10,159	10,239	10,312	10,400	10,418	10,450	10,683	10,843



Authorized Strength by Jurisdiction, 2014-2023

Policing Jurisdiction	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Abbotsford Mun	204	204	204	206	210	212	213	211	210	214
Agassiz Prov	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	9
Alert Bay Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Alexis Creek Prov	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Anahim Lake Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Armstrong Mun				3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Armstrong Prov	6	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Ashcroft Prov	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6
Atlin Prov	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Barnston Island Prov ⁴								1	1	1
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	4	4	4	4	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	285	297	301	301	301	301
Burns Lake Prov	11	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	12	12
Campbell River Mun	43	43	43	43	45	45	45	45	45	49
Campbell River Prov	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8
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	107	108	110	120	125	132	138	143	146	149
Chilliwack Prov	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	9
Clearwater Prov	6	6	6	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	17	17	17	17	17	18	18	20	21	22
Comox Mun ⁵³	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	152	156	162	162	162	166	168	168	168	168
Coquitlam Prov	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Courtenay Mun	30	30	30	30	30	31	31	31	31	31
Cranbrook Mun	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	28	28	30
Cranbrook Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Creston Mun	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Creston Prov	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Daajing Giids Prov ⁵	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Dawson Creek Mun	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Dawson Creek Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6
Dease Lake Prov	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Delta Mun	173	173	180	185	190	191	194	194	194	194
Duncan Mun ⁵²									8	9

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Authorized Strength by Jurisdiction, 2014-2023, Continued

Policing Jurisdiction	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Port Coquitlam Mun	67	67	71	74	74	76	76	76	76	76
Port Hardy Prov	12	12	12	12	12	12	13	13	13	13
Port McNeill Prov	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Port Moody Mun	51	51	51	51	52	52	52	52	52	52
Powell River Mun	18	18	19	19	19	19	20	20	20	21
Powell River Prov	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Prince George Mun	128	135	138	140	142	142	142	142	143	149
Prince George Prov ²⁴	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	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	8	8	8
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
Quesnel Mun	21	21	21	21	21	23	23	23	23	24
Quesnel Prov	9	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10
Revelstoke Mun	12	12	12	13	13	14	14	14	14	14
Revelstoke Prov	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Richmond Mun ⁵¹	212	212	224	235	251	270	270	284	286	286
Ridge Meadows Prov	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Saanich Mun	156	157	161	161	161	161	166	166	165	166
Salmon Arm Mun	19	19	19	19	19	19	20	20	21	21
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	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Sechelt Mun	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	12	12
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	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	16	16
Sidney Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Smithers Mun	9	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	11	11
Smithers Prov	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Sooke Mun	11	11	12	13	13	13	13	13	14	14
Sooke Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Spallumcheen Mun	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Squamish Mun	25	25	25	25	25	25	26	26	26	28
Squamish Prov ^{26,27}	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6
Stewart Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Summerland Mun	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Sunshine Coast Prov	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
Surrey Mun ^{2,3}	703	803	819	831	843	843	843	843	1,023	1,023
T'Kumlups Prov ²⁴	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	9	9
Takla Landing Prov	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
Terrace Mun	25	25	25	25	25	28	28	28	28	28
Terrace Prov ²⁴	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8
Texada Island Prov	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2



Authorized Strength by Jurisdiction, 2014-2023, Continued

Policing Jurisdiction	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Tofino Prov ²⁸	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Trail Mun	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Tsay Keh Dene Prov	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4
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	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Vancouver Mun	1,327	1,327	1,327	1,327	1,327	1,327	1,348	1,348	1,348	1,448
Vanderhoof Prov ⁵⁴	9	9	10	10	10	13	13	13	13	13
Vernon Mun	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	58
Vernon Prov	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Victoria Mun	243	243	245	245	245	249	249	249	255	255
View Royal Mun	9	9	10	10	10	11	12	12	13	13
Wells Prov	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
West Kelowna Mun	23	23	24	26	28	29	29	30	34	36
West Shore Prov	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	4
West Vancouver Mun	80	79	79	79	79	79	79	79	79	79
Whistler Mun	24	24	24	24	24	24	25	25	25	26
Whistler Prov	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
White Rock Mun	23	23	23	23	25	25	25	25	26	26
Williams Lake Mun	24	24	24	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Williams Lake Prov ²⁹	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.

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Endnotes

- 1. The federal government's contribution is in recognition of the benefits it receives as a result of the policing agreements associated with the provision of RCMP policing services.
- 2. This version of the PRBC publication is for the 2023 calendar year, during this time the Surrey Municipal Police Unit (RCMP) remained the City's police of jurisdiction (POJ) while the Surrey Police Board and SPS continued the necessary work to build the SPS. Previously reported under the 'Municipal Police Units (RCMP)' section of this document, the Surrey Municipal Police Unit (RCMP) is excluded from the total 67 municipalities whose policing services are provided by the RCMP in this publication and is represented separately under 'Municipal Police Model in Transition' sections to reflect the integrated RCMP/SPS policing model until its completion, providing transparency throughout the transition process. Note: The Surrey RCMP MPU authorized strengths and SPS sworn officer numbers, as well as the cost expenditures were reported by each police service separately, whereas crime statistics was reported for the municipality of Surrey.
- 3. The authorized strength for the Surrey Municipal Police Unit reflects the combined resources from both Surrey's RCMP Municipal Police Unit and SPS, which includes additional resources needed for the establishment of SPS and/or awaiting operational deployment within the Surrey Municipal Police Unit. Caution should be used when reviewing Surrey's caseload as it is calculated on the total authorized strength of the two police agencies which includes these additional resources.
- 4. Barnston Island Prov (formerly Surrey Prov), a provincial jurisdiction, currently receives service from Surrey Municipal Unit (RCMP). With the City of Surrey's transition to the SPS, the Province created a new Provincial Police Unit, Barnston Island Prov, dedicated to the provision of policing services to Barnston Island under the terms of the PPSA. Historically, Surrey Prov statistics were included in Surrey Mun results. Reporting adjustments will be addressed in subsequent publications. As of March 2022, the Barnston Island Provincial Unit began operating out of the Langley Detachment. All calls for service for Barnston Island have been routed through Surrey dispatch before being redirected to Langley; however, as of November 2024, Barnston Island calls for service will be routed directly through the Langley Detachment.
- 5. Formerly known as Queen Charlotte City, the municipality has changed its name to Daajing Giids in 2022 following a Provincial Order in Council approving the name change restoration back to its ancestral Haida name.
- 6. Members are based out of the Upper Fraser Valley Regional Detachment.
- 7. There are 6 Lower Mainland District (LMD) Integrated Teams that provide regional police services to participating LMD Municipal Police Units (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 2023, 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 participation for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. See page 28 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.
- 8. Total Costs refer to actual costs as reported by each municipality. For municipal police units (RCMP), total costs include the municipality's share of RCMP contract related costs (70% or 90%, depending on population) including integrated team costs, as well as any costs that are borne 100% by the municipality (e.g., 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.
- 9. 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 municipal police unit (RCMP) cost share categories.
- 10. Population figures include First Nations reserve populations.
- 11. 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.
- 12. In March 2020, the City of Pitt Meadows initiated a process to separate from the integrated Ridge Meadows Detachment (RCMP) and to have the Pitt Meadows Municipal Unit operate from a stand-alone detachment in the City of Pitt Meadows. Upon completion of a review by RCMP "E" Division and the development of a transition plan, the Ministry approved the City's request in October 2021 with the changes to take full effect upon completion of the detachment building (estimated November 2025).
- 13. In 2023, there were 30 member positions dedicated to airport security at the Vancouver International Airport. These members are administered through the Richmond Detachment (RCMP). The strength and cost data for these 30 members is excluded from the Richmond Municipal Unit because the Vancouver Airport Authority reimburses 100% of the cost of these services to the City of Richmond. Total Vancouver Airport 2023 costs were \$6,855,559.



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- 14. Authorized strengths and their associated costs for the municipal departments have been adjusted to exclude secondments to other agencies as cost for these secondments would be borne by the seconded agency.
- 15. 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 FNIPP, under an agreement with Canada, the Province of B.C., City of Delta, Delta Police Board and TFN.
- 16. The Victoria and Esquimalt Police Departments were amalgamated in 2003. In 2023, the population of Victoria Mun, at 120,433, includes 19,016 persons from Esquimalt. Of the total costs in 2023, \$9,222,880 (13.67%) was paid by Esquimalt for its policing services under the Agreement.
- 17. 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.
- 18. The Elk Valley Integrated Detachment includes Elkford Prov, Fernie Prov, and Sparwood Prov. Starting in 2010, the Elk Valley Integrated Detachment authorized strength total includes one GIS member assigned to the detachment as a whole.
- 19. 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.
- 20. 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.
- 21. 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.
- 22. 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 2020, 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.
- 23. The crime rate has not been included because it is not a meaningful indicator (due to the small residential population).
- 24. In addition to the assigned GD/GIS outlined, the Provincial Police Service includes three Provincial Support Team (PST) units. The PST are based in Prince George, Terrace and Kamloops and were created as part of the Front-Line Resource Re-allocation initiative in 2020. These 14 positions are intended to provide temporary, mobile relief to Provincial Detachment Units throughout the Province.
- 25. The integrated Ridge Meadows Detachment (RCMP) is comprised of the following jurisdictions: the City of Maple Ridge; the City of Pitt Meadows; and the Ridge Meadows provincial policing jurisdictions. In 2013/14 the RCMP revised the map boundaries that reside in PRIME-BC for each of the jurisdictions within the Ridge Meadows Detachment's area of responsibility. 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.
- 26. 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.
- 27. 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 2020.
- 28. Tofino Prov includes 2 Provincial Police Service GD positions located at the Ahousaht satellite office.
- 29. Cariboo Chilcotin Crime reduction resources became permanent in June 2021. This includes 6RM and 2.5PSE positions working out of North District Headquarters.
- 30. Authorized strength includes adjusted strength figures for jurisdictions participating in Lower Mainland District Integrated Teams.
- 31. Provincial Police Service 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. See data qualifier on page 28.

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- 32. Data for the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service (SCBCTAPS) is not included in this table. In 2023, SCBCTAPS had an authorized strength of 184 positions and cost \$52,833,414 (paid for by TransLink, a private company).
- 33. Total Population includes 726,408 persons residing within municipalities with populations below 5,000 or unincorporated areas, served by the Provincial Police Service in 2023. This figure is not specified within the table under Provincial Police Service because it only represents rural/unincorporated detachments.
- 34. Total Costs for municipalities refer to actual costs for calendar year 2023 as reported by each municipality. For further information, see the Total Costs definition on page 29.
- 35. Police costs paid by the provincial government represent actual costs paid in fiscal year 2023/24.
- 36. Police costs paid by the federal government represent actual costs paid in fiscal year 2023/24 for their share of municipal police department integrated homicide investigative team (IHIT), 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 B.C.
- 37. Total Costs for municipal police units (RCMP) include the municipality's share of costs (70% or 90%, depending on population) for the provision of the RCMP as their service provider, as well as any costs that are borne 100% by the municipality (e.g. accommodation costs, support staff). Data for dedicated airport security positions at the Vancouver International Airport is not included in this table.
- 38. The police costs paid by the federal government do not include the federal contribution to the retroactive liability for the first four years of the RCMP's first Collective Agreement, starting from April 1, 2017, which was billed separately. See Endnote 39.
- 39. Municipalities were given the option to pay their retroactive liability associated with the RCMP's first Collective Agreement in one lump sum or through an interest-free installment plan over two years. The first payment was due by March 31, 2024, and the final payment is due by March 31, 2025. All retroactive liabilities must be fully settled by March 31, 2025. Due to differing municipal accounting methods, contributions by municipalities toward the retroactive pay under the RCMP's first Collective Agreement may not be included in this year's publication. Municipalities will have until 2025 to report their retroactive payment.
- 40. Total Costs for municipal police departments represent 100% of policing costs. Note: IHIT costs (70% cost share) were added to their policing costs.
- 41. The Provincial contribution also includes funding for year-1 of the 3-year (2023-2026) Provincial Investment made by the Province to the BC RCMP as the Provincial Police Service. This funding is intended to address existing gaps in staffing and resource pressures in specialized functions and front-line provincial detachments within the Provincial Police Service.
- 42. The police costs paid by provincial and federal governments to the Provincial Police Service (RCMP) and Indigenous Policing Services (RCMP) include provincial and federal contributions for the retroactive pay under the RCMP's first Collective Agreement and officers' pay raises.
- 43. Total Costs paid by the provincial government include additional funding for police equipment, contract services and professional fees.
- 44. Authorized strength includes Aboriginal Community Constable Program members, which are gradually being converted to Community Tripartite Agreement under the Indigenous Policing Services (formerly First Nations Community Policing Services).
- 45. In 2023, the authorized strength was 117.5 member positions. 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 2023/24, the provincial government contributed \$100,984 and the federal government contributed \$109,399 for the position providing this enhanced service to TFN. The position is included in the authorized strength for Delta Police Department.
- 46. On July 11, 2024, the B.C. Government and the City of Surrey reached an agreement that will complete the transition to the Surrey Police Service (SPS) by providing oversight, accountability and cost mitigation for residents and businesses in Surrey. The Province and the City entered into a formal Contribution Agreement to provide the City with a Financial Contribution of up to \$250 million over 10 years to support the Surrey Police Transition. Payment terms of the Financial Contribution are as follows: \$30 million annually during years one to five to assist with the cost of completing the Project and the actual additional salary cost paid by the City. Annual payments of \$20 million for years six to ten, to assist with the actual additional salary costs paid by the City, if any, as a direct result of the cost difference between SPS officers and RCMP member salaries. As of March 31, 2024, the Province had already contributed \$2,187,759 toward the transition.
- 47. 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 28 for the definition of authorized strength.
- 48. Due to an RCMP calculation error, the 10-Year authorized strength figures for the Division Administration (RCMP) have been adjusted. See data qualifier 8 on page 29.
- 49. The authorized strength positions under Annex A of the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA) upon signing the 2012 Agreement.
- 50. 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.



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- 51. 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 Municipal detachment (RCMP). 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.
- 52. The following policing jurisdictions have been opened or closed subsequent to Canada Census results or detachment/departmental 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.
 - 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 Police Service (Northern Rockies Prov) effective April 1, 2017.
 - 2022: According to the 2021 Canada Census, the municipalities of Duncan, Metchosin and Oliver went over 5,000 population and, as a result, became responsible for the provision of policing and law enforcement services within their municipal boundaries, effective April 1, 2022. Prior to 2012, Duncan was policed by Duncan Prov; Metchosin was policed by West Shore Prov; and Oliver was policed by Oliver Prov.
 - 2022: According to the 2021 Canada Census, the municipalities of Sooke and Lake Country went over 15,000 population, as a result, were reclassified to municipal police unit having populations of 15,000 and over.
- 53. In 2017, Comox Mun reduced its authorized strength to 11.3 members to reflect the deeming of civilian members into the Federal public service. The deeming date has been postponed by the Federal government and therefore, the authorized strength remains at 11.6 members (shown as 12).
- 54. In 2020, Vanderhoof Prov increased by 3 members; 1 converted from a specialized position and 2 officers reallocated from within the Provincial Service.

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Key Impacts on Crime Statistics

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: global events, demographic changes, social and economic trends, police reporting practices, public reporting practices to police, technological advancements, legislative amendments, local police service priorities, and social perceptions and attitudes towards certain crimes.

Factors Influencing Crime

For broader national context on crime trends, please refer to the Statistics Canada publication accompanying this year's data release:

 Police-reported crime statistics in Canada, 2023 https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/240725/dq240725b-eng.htm

Other reporting and analysis in available on the Statistics Canada Crime and Justice Statistics page: https://www.statcan.gc.ca/en/subjects-start/crime and justice

Past articles can also be accessed through the Juristat publication archive: https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/en/catalogue/85-002-X#wb-auto-2

Impact of Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Scoring Rule Changes

In January 2018, Statistics Canada updated the definition of "founded" incidents to improve the tracking of offences with complex characteristics, such as sexual assault, and to address broader inconsistencies in how crime statistics were reported in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) survey.

Police agencies across B.C. implemented these scoring rule changes in January 2019 which may have affected B.C.'s crime data for 2019. It is anticipated that police services will become increasingly accustomed to the new standards and, as they do so, data should become more comparable.

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



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Police Resource Definitions and Data Qualifiers

- Population figures are estimates prepared annually by BC Stats, based on the results of the Canada Census which is conducted every five years. These estimates reflect only the permanent residential population of a jurisdiction. Where a jurisdiction serves as a resort, business or entertainment centre, it may have substantial "part-time" or transient/seasonal populations in addition to its permanent resident population, such as tourists, cabin owners, commuters, students, and seasonal staff. These temporary populations groups are counted in population figures within the jurisdiction of their place of residence and not the jurisdiction in which they may be temporarily visiting or working. Note: the 2023 population estimates provided by BC Stats were based on the Statistics Canada 2021 Census boundary geographies adjusted in accordance with current police jurisdiction boundaries.
- 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 police units (RCMP) 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 police service jurisdictions are obtained from RCMP "E" Division Headquarters. The authorized strengths for municipal police jurisdictions, service by the RCMP, 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. Policing and Security Branch is working with the RCMP and LMD municipalities to achieve consistency in Annex A, authorized strengths. For 2023, 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 were used, however values reported have been rounded up to the nearest whole number, unless otherwise shown, which may affect calculations. Due to the differences in the organizational structure of each type of unit and methods of collecting authorized strength data, comparisons between provincial police service, municipal police units, and municipal police department jurisdictions should be made with caution.
- 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 2023, adjusted strength, which includes Municipal Police
 Units (RCMP) Regular Members and Municipal Police Departments' sworn officers, 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 2023/2024. 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.
- Case loads are defined as the number of *Criminal Code* offences (excluding drugs and traffic offences) per authorized strength/sworn officer. 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/sworn officer 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 27.

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- 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, information 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 27.
- 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 27.
- Total Costs refer to actual costs as reported by each municipality, collected annually from the PSB 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.
- The data contained in this report may vary when compared with previous reports produced by Policing and Security Branch. Where variances occur, the report produced at the latest date will reflect the most current data available.
- 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.
- Comparisons between municipal police departments, RCMP municipal and RCMP provincial services should be made with caution.

DATA SOURCES:

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Populations: BC Statistics, Ministry of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, B.C. Police Costs and Resources: Royal Canadian Mounted Police, "E" Division; Policing and Security Branch;

Municipal Police Departments; Municipalities.

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