

Table 9-1
Police personnel in municipal police services — Newfoundland and Labrador, 2010

	2009 population ¹	2010 actual strength				2010 authorized strength			2009 crime	
		Police officers		Total	Police officers per 100,000 population	Other personnel	Total police	Police officers per 100,000 population	Crime Severity Index ²	Weighted clearance rate ³
		Male	Female							
		number			rate	number			rate	
Population 100,000 and over										
St. John's, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary	185,157	264	61	325	176	90	318	172	90.6	23.7
Population 15,000 to 49,999										
Corner Brook, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary	20,050	33	6	39	195	8	45	224	63.4	36.4
Population 5,000 to 14,999										
Labrador City, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary	9,844	15	5	20	203	7	19	193	59.3	25.3

1. Populations are based on July 1st preliminary postcensal populations for 2009 (based on the 2006 Census), Demography Division, Statistics Canada.

Populations are adjusted to follow policing boundaries. Populations for 2010 are not yet available.

2. The police-reported Crime Severity Index measures changes in the severity of crime from year to year. Each type of offence is assigned a weight derived from actual sentences handed down by courts.

3. The weighted clearance rate is based on the same principle used to create the Crime Index, whereby more serious offences are assigned a higher weight than less serious offences. Applying this concept to clearance rates means that, for example, the clearance of a homicide, robbery or break and enter receives a higher weight than the clearance of less serious offences such as minor theft, mischief and disturbing the peace.

Note(s): There are no municipal police forces in Newfoundland. The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary, a provincial police force, is responsible for providing policing to some of the larger municipalities and, for the purposes of this report, they have been included above.

Source(s): Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Police Administration Survey and Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.