



# The Status of Contemporary Community Policing Programs

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## Introduction

There is an increasing interest in community policing in the United States. Foot patrol has been a widely accepted policing method in some foreign lands including England, Australia, Spain, Germany, and Japan. In this country, foot patrol was used almost exclusively in the cities prior to World War II. The most ambitious recent experiments in foot patrol took place in Newark, New Jersey during the mid-1970s (Kelling 1981) and in Flint, Michigan during the early 1980s (Trojanowicz, 1982).

Decreasing police budgets will dictate that more effective methods of policing be developed. Police departments will need to find more efficient ways of utilizing officers' "free patrol time." It has been estimated that between 40 percent and 60 percent of a motor officer's shift is free patrol time. In Flint, the figure is 49 percent. Granted, the free patrol time does not occur in one block of time during the shift, but there are large enough segments of time to allow the officer to park the patrol car and mingle with the public. Then, *contact*

can be made, *communication* facilitated, and *trust* developed so that the exchange of *information* to prevent and solve crimes can take place.

Unfortunately, motor patrol officers are reluctant to leave their patrol cars for fear of not being able to respond quickly to emergencies. They also are uncomfortable in casual interactions with the public fearing harassment, ridicule, and even danger.

The above reasons for officer reluctance to leave the patrol car are usually unfounded. Most responses to citizen requests are not of an emergency nature, and if they are, the adjoining motor patrol officer can respond almost as quickly. Obviously there needs to be coordination between adjoining motor beats so that both officers are not walking at the same time.

Similarly, fears of citizen harassment and ridicule are usually unfounded; and, in fact, most citizens welcome officers in their businesses or in their neighborhoods. Most importantly, there is evidence that officer safety may actually be increased when patrolling on foot (Trojanowicz, 1985). Via the natural, regular interaction between the officer and citizens, a relationship of mutual support is established and relevant information is exchanged--information that may lead to the solution of crimes and greater safety for both the officer and the citizens.

Because it is often difficult to persuade motor officers to leave separate--regular funding supported motor patrol, and the *special* tax millage supported foot patrol. However, many citizens, not understanding funding issues, were irritated because they felt the increased tax millage did not provide for increased officers as promised.

Policy makers must ensure that citizens understand how programs are funded. If the innovative program is merely viewed as a means of appeasing citizens or gaining increased tax dollars without increased services, then the program will ultimately fail because it will lose citizen support.

### **Special Interest Groups**

Community policing programs, i.e., foot patrol, are very popular and therefore susceptible to pressures from community political leaders. Local politicians will find it tempting to try to exploit foot patrol programs. Foot patrol officers know the community well, are respected, and are in day-to-day contact with a lot of voters. Politicians may well try to have foot patrol officers do favors for selected individuals or help with election year canvassing. Effective supervision can greatly reduce or even prevent negative political influence, and specific departmental policy related to this issue will help avoid unprofessional conduct.

Demands made by individuals other than politicians will occasionally be a problem. Various residents will seek to monopolize the foot officer's time. In addition, business people and school administrators may expect unwarranted foot officer presence in their businesses or schools.

The larger problem, however, is that in some communities special interest groups from the upper middle and wealthy classes (or businesses) may either misuse a foot patrol program or react negatively to its implementation. Foot patrol is egalitarian, affording police protection to all citizens. Thus, if there are only limited police resources in a community, spreading them out more evenly will reduce the special interest groups' chances of receiving "special treatment."

For this reason, the working class and lower socioeconomic segments of the community are usually much more receptive to foot patrol than the upper middle class or wealthy who may have had their interests served ahead of others. In many communities, if not most, the impetus for foot patrol comes from the *working, lower socioeconomic* or *middle class* areas in the community. Foot patrol is viewed by these groups as a more personal, human response to community needs as well as a way of increasing police service.

The policy implications are obvious. Innovative police programs need the support of community decision makers. If the decision makers are overly influenced by those groups that resist foot patrol, then the chances for the implementation and successful operation of a program are minimal.

### **Community Social Problems**

Foot patrol is only one method of dealing with community social problems. The community must have a commitment to solving problems like inadequate housing and education, unemployment, and racial tension. Foot patrol officers can only affect social policy in a limited way. If there are deep-seated racial problems in the community which go unresolved, a foot patrol program will be viewed as a slick public relations effort implemented to gloss over the major community problems, and appease residents who are concerned about governmental services, including crime prevention. Effective community policing programs need to have the long term commitment of community and departmental decision makers. They should not "come and go" depending on the social and racial climate of the community at any particular time.

**Contemporary Community Policing Programs (1)(2)** Fifty-five additional departments had had direct contact with the National Center either by telephone contact, by participation in one of the training programs, or by being the recipient of an on-site technical assistance visit. They were also administered the questionnaire. Finally, seven departments identified through a literature search were administered a questionnaire.

It is believed that the 143 departments in the survey represent most of the departments that have programs. These departments were committed enough to community policing that they returned the survey postcard or had contact with the National Center or had their program written up in a law enforcement publication.

The number of respondents could have been increased by telephoning every department in cities with over 15,000 population and asking if they had a community policing program.

Thirteen foreign police departments were also sampled, using a mailed questionnaire (Appendix B). Although the foreign sample is obviously not exhaustive, it nevertheless provides the reader with a "flavor" for foot patrol around the world.

### **Results of the United States Survey (3)**

The following are the results of the survey of the U.S. police departments (including one Canadian department). Appendix C lists the departments that have a community policing program. A survey number is assigned to each department. Periodically throughout the text numbers appear in parentheses designating that a particular department has the program feature mentioned. The reader may desire to make a contact with the designated department for additional information. Telephone numbers, the number of sworn officers in the department, the number of officers participating in the program, the type of program(s) utilized, and whether or not there is written information about the program, are provided.

The reader should be cautioned that in many cases the numbers given for officers in the program were best estimates at the time of the telephone call. The operation of the program often was dependent on the amount of manpower available that day. So, community policing deployment fluctuated. Where an asterisk (\*) appears, it means that the manpower fluctuated extensively or that the interviewee was unwilling to even make an estimate.

The activities identified with community policing programs include foot patrol, park and walk, motorcycle-scooter-walk, team policing, special purpose vehicles, horse patrol, the use of auxiliary-reserve-volunteer citizens, and neighboring response units.

## Areas of Program Operations

The following are an indication by percentage of the areas in cities where community policing is in operation: downtown business districts, 51 percent; all parts of the city, 21 percent; shopping centers, 12 percent; business and recreational areas, 9 percent; and residential areas, 7 percent.

Most of the community policing programs operate in downtown business districts and shopping centers. However, there are many programs in low income housing projects and areas with high density populations. In addition, there are some programs that operate in residential areas, especially during the recreational season (#47, #65). Some departments designated that their programs function in distinct ethnic neighborhoods (#119, #122). Tourist-oriented cities extensively use foot officers, and in one tourist area, officers were effective in gathering intelligence as well as developing positive lines of communication between strikers and the police department (#92).

The size of the beats varies from both sides of one street (#92, #58) to a five to six block square area (#120) to a much larger area necessitating a scooter for transportation (#113).

There are a variety of means used to facilitate interaction. They range from bicycles to scooters to three-wheeled vehicles. In one community, officers walk in all but the summer season, when they ride motorcycles (#82). In other communities a variety of approaches are used in the department ranging from walking, to riding motorcycles, to driving distinctly colored automobiles.

## Expansion or Contraction of the Program

Of the departments surveyed, 28 percent stated that their program had expanded over the last three-year period while 41 percent said it had remained stable. Twenty-two percent said it had contracted, while 9 percent were unsure.

There are programs that expand and contract depending on the season and special needs of the community. Some programs use a combination of methods during, for example, peak pedestrian times, i.e., the officer may walk part of the time, ride a motorcycle, or ride an all-purpose vehicle the rest of the time (#9).

Some programs have contracted over the years because they primarily operated in the central city business district. Businesses have closed or moved, greatly reducing pedestrian traffic (#13). Many programs fluctuate depending on the amount of manpower in the department. If special events or other detail like executive protection deplete the manpower, then the community policing program is given a lower priority. Other programs are affected by economic factors. Foot patrol is sometimes expanded to conserve fuel. Often a program is started as an experimental effort and then the police department at a particular point in time. For example, in departments that had budgetary problems, saving gas may be a priority; thus, officers park their squad cars for periods of time. Auxiliary police officers and/or citizen volunteers are used in some communities to supplement regular police services or free up sworn officers for response to serious crimes and investigative follow-up (#45, #65). Some programs coordinate their activities with formal citizen organizations that use block captains as leaders for community crime prevention initiatives (#118). Traffic control at peak times in larger cities was also a reason stated for putting officers on foot. Specialized reasons for using a community policing approach, for example, vandalism to boats in a recreational area, were also mentioned (#79). In addition, some tourist towns increased community policing in response to increased traffic and cruising during vacation time periods (#78). Particular problems that come and go, such as large numbers of youths congregating in shopping centers and malls, were also mentioned as reasons to utilize a community policing program. Some programs target protecting certain groups like the elderly (#133). A few departments survey community residents to determine what their problems and priorities are (#85).

Category four, like category two, emphasizes increasing a *sense of safety*, especially merchant safety. In several cases a program was started because business people had requested additional officers to enhance their own

safety and to create a perception of increased security in customers. In some cases plain clothed officers walk in stores during times of peak pedestrian traffic (#23).

Improving *communication* between the police and citizens, the final category, includes programs that were started to increase positive interactions between the police and the public, a public relations oriented effort (#53). One department indicated that one of the main purposes of their program was to improve relations and trust mitigating the chances for another civil disturbance (#68).

Interviewees did mention, however, that in the past, many community policing programs were initiated primarily as a public relations tool to improve the image of the police. The contemporary approach emphasizes the provision of quality law enforcement service, with public relations being a secondary positive effect. One administrator stated, "If police officers do good police work, they will be doing public relations work at the same time" (#73).

### **Program Funding**

The vast majority of programs are funded out of regular police budgets (94 percent). Some departments, because of an unanticipated need, receive supplemental funding from regular revenues but at times other than the regular budget cycle. In some cases merchants also contribute extra funds for equipment. There is very little state funding of the programs (1 percent), and on occasion a federal government grant is obtained (5 percent). In some cases there is a combination of funding with a grant providing equipment and the department committing the manpower.

### **Placement of the Program**

In a large majority of cases the program is located in the patrol division (91 percent) although special operations was the housing for the program 7 percent of the time. In limited cases the traffic division operates the program because the officers' main duties were traffic related (2 percent).

### **Supervision**

In most cases sergeants supervise the program (57 percent). There are several programs, however, where lieutenants (21 percent) and captains (18 percent) are the immediate supervisors. In one program a major supervises the activity while in another the chief has assumed that responsibility. In the rest, there is shared responsibility (4 percent).

In most of the programs the supervisor, of whatever rank, has ready access to the chief executive and it is perceived that there is departmental commitment and support for the program.

### **Size of Program**

The size of the departments having a community policing program varies from very small departments to New York with almost 24,000 officers.

The availability of manpower is the primary consideration in choosing the method of community policing, although some departments use a designated percentage of the total sworn force (#69). Parking enforcement officers sometimes work in close cooperation with the beat officers (#75) and some departments use officers on an overtime basis to walk beats.

<b>Number of Officers</b>	<b>Number of Respondents</b>	<b>Percentages</b>
Under 50 Officers	46	32.4
50-100	30	21.1

101-200	19	13.3
201-300	12	8.5
301-500	6	4.2
501-1000	10	7.1
1001-2000	10	7.1
Over 2000	9	6.3

**Shifts Worked**

Forty-eight percent utilize community policing officers on both the day and afternoon shifts. Twenty-three percent deploy community policing officers on all three shifts. Seventeen percent cover just the day shift, 10 percent cover just the afternoon shift, and two departments use community policing officers on just the night shift. In one program, motor officers on the night shift are required to walk one out of every four nights (#121). Another program has the foot officers work from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. because of tourist activity at that time (#124). A fourth shift, overlapping the afternoon and night shifts, is used by one department (#132).

Foot officers walk most often when pedestrian traffic is heaviest. In one case, Community Watch people patrol during the Christmas season in their own automobiles acting as the "eyes and the ears" of their police department (#12). Store hours and special events are two of the primary reasons for deploying the officers on a particular shift and at specific times during the year. In one case two officers work in a car and take turns walking. In that way the car always remains in service to cover emergencies (#38).

The particular characteristics of the community has a great bearing on the type of community policing program. For example, recreational areas that have beaches often have both day and evening officers. Communities that have many special events, like concerts, also have officers on foot mingling with the community.

Foot patrol also depends on the seasonal characteristics of the particular community. In some communities a program that might be used quite extensively in the warm weather may not be used in the winter (#45). Expansion of the program takes place during the summer in many communities because of increased youths on the streets and tourists (#64). Most community policing programs keep their deployment patterns flexible (#133).

**Sex and Racial Breakdown of the Officers**

Most of the officers that are involved in walking the beat are white male officers although 23.5 percent of the departments have two or more females in their community policing programs. In those departments that assign "rookies" to community policing programs, females and minorities have involvement in proportionate representation to their numbers in their departments.

**Officer Assignment**

Thirty-four percent said all of their community policing officers are volunteers; 16 percent stated that officers were both volunteers and assigned, and 44 percent mentioned that all officers were assigned. Six percent gave no answer.

The image of foot patrol is changing. Whereas in the 70s it was viewed as either punishment or "retirement," persons are now usually placed on foot based on their ability to communicate and interact with community residents. Using volunteers is the preferred approach but assignment is also used when there are not enough volunteers or when union contracts mandate that assignments be made by seniority (#106).

In some cases, new recruits are required to walk the beat for an initial period of time. Other departments state that they would not use new officers because of their inexperience with the law and their lack of seasoned interpersonal skills. Some departments not only specify the amount of time the officer should spend out of the

automobile, they also specify the method to be used--such as parking the car in the middle of the block and walking both sides of the street (#58).

## **Officer Duties**

The most often stated requirements for the officers in community policing programs were to talk to the public, in particular with the merchants, to have high visibility, and to be concerned about relations between the police department and the citizens. It was also emphasized that most of the officers were expected to do "basic" police work and in the process of performing their basic police functions, emphasize communication and information gathering. In addition, many of the departments mentioned that their community policing officers are involved in traffic enforcement crowd control, dealing with "undesirables" and, in general, the maintenance of order. Providing feedback to administrators relative to citizen concerns is also an important objective (#125).

Some of the officers, though a small percentage of the total, attend community meetings and work with youths. A larger percentage, but less than 50 percent, follow up on complaints. The most heavy emphasis is visibility--officers making their presence known.

Some departments require that the officer spend various times every hour, or every day, out of the patrol car interacting on foot (#27, #37, #77). The amount of time spent out of the car depends on the department and the availability of manpower (#2, #10).

Although in most departments the same officer does not walk the same beat all of the time, there are a few programs where the beat and the officer are matched for an extended period of time (#19). There is usually much rotation of officers.

In some departments, the officer is mainly an observer looking for unusual situations which may need follow up by motor officers (#40). Other departments encourage intense involvement of the foot officer with the community such as taking youths to games, interacting with citizens in housing projects, and attending meetings and special events (#41).

In some departments there is an emphasize on "solving small problems before they become big ones." Associated with this is a public relations orientation to convince the community that problem solving is taking place (#47).

Some departments emphasize the following up of complaints, spending time interacting with the community, gathering information and enhancing police/citizen rapport (#5).

Other departments require officers to attend meetings and become cers generally are not as enthusiastic about the program as the older officers. Walking at night is not widely accepted (#123). Officers who volunteer for community policing duty are much more enthusiastic about the program than those in programs where the officers are assigned. In the community policing programs where officers are not enthused, they view the assignment as either punishment or an assignment designated for rookies. Some "traditional" officers feel community policing programs are instituted mainly to pacify the public.

## **Community Acceptance of Program**

The interviewees were asked how various segments of the community accepted the particular community policing program. In most communities formal surveys were not administered. The measures of acceptance are the perceptions of the interviewees.

The subgroups and the percentage of acceptance are as follows: business community, 82 percent; politicians, 59 percent; residents, 39 percent; church groups, 9 percent; and other police department units, 48 percent. The

varying percentages are affected by the number of *do not know/no answer* responses for the particular groups. Only the subgroup of "other police department units" showed an unfavorable response (5 percent).

In most cases, not only are the various subgroups accepting of the program, they would like more community policing officers, on all shifts, every day of the week, in most areas of the city. Perceptions of safety were greatly enhanced by the particular program. Statements like "the community is begging for more officers" were not uncommon. There was usually a large negative reaction when a community policing officer was extracted from his/her area (#112).

In one community, reaction to the community policing program was "a double edged sword." The community liked the increased personal contact and officer visibility, but after the program was in place for a while, comments were made, such as, "there seem to be too many people on the payroll" or "does there need to be that many officers?" (#109).

In one business community the bar owners were not enthusiastic about the program because they felt that increased officer presence in their establishments could be detrimental to business (#109).

Political leaders are usually verbally supportive of the program but they often do not match their enthusiastic rhetoric with financial assistance for more officers. Usually it is left up to the chief to redeploy officers with existing manpower.

Although it was reported that there is animosity between community policing officers and officers in other units, most of the interviewees felt that the acceptance of community policing programs is increasing. Apparently both the stigma of involvement in the program (punishment, a program for rookies, retirement, etc.) and the view that community policing officers are primadonnas is dissipating. Housing the program in the patrol division and encouraging interaction and exchange of information between motor patrol and foot officers are two of the primary factors that are helping to reduce interunit animosity. Park and walk programs, where the same officer both drives and walks, obviously reduces friction and antagonism.

## **Program Continuance**

Ninety-six percent of the interviewees felt that their community policing program would be continued. Four percent either did not know or gave no answer. Twenty-seven percent said they planned to expand their program. Forty-two percent did not plan to expand the program while the rest were not sure what the future held. The main variable determining expansion was usually increased funding, while elimination or reduction was usually blamed on citizen and/or command concern about response time.

Some departments were going to try and increase citizen volunteers to either directly participate in the program or relieve sworn officers of non-law enforcement functions. One department reported that they definitely were not going to expand because the program "was not getting the job done." In some cases it was stated that "even if we drop the program, we can always reinstitute it." In these instances the program administrators perceived foot patrol as a common sense approach that requires little planning or special skills.

Several departments have written materials on their program. These range from newspaper articles, program descriptions, evaluations, training material, film, and statistics to job descriptions. Appendix C identifies departments that have written material.

## **Foot Patrol in Foreign Countries (4)**

Continuing research is being done on foreign countries to determine the prevalence and operation of foot patrol abroad. The following will present the general findings of thirteen sampled foreign countries to give a "flavor for foot patrol" in selected foreign countries. The countries sampled were Australia, Denmark, Israel, Japan,



Republic of Liberia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Philippines, Republic of the Philippines, Scotland, Singapore, and Spain. (Canada was included with the U.S. data.)

There is more extensive use of foot patrol in foreign countries than there is in the United States. However, motor patrol is still the main method of police operation.

In foot patrol abroad, there is much involvement and contact between the foot patrol officer and community residents. In several of the countries surveyed, foot patrol is a 24 hour a day operation, although the daytime is the most prevalent time for foot patrol. In addition to walking, foreign foot patrol officers make more extensive use of bicycles, horses, scooters, and motorcycles.

Foreign foot patrol officers operate mainly in urban areas and out of the patrol division. The determination of where foot patrol beats will exist is made mainly on reported crime rates. The higher the crime activity, the more chance there will be a foot patrol officer. Population density is also an important factor as are requests from merchants, the amount of traffic activity, and the particular geographic characteristics of the population serviced.

Foot patrol is usually not a permanent assignment, with officers being rotated into and then out of the foot patrol program. In a third of the samples, rookies or inexperienced officers were put on foot beats for their initial training period. In addition, some departments place the less competent and/or the older officers more readily on foot beats.

There is usually no special training given to the foot patrol officers above and beyond the normal academy training. The officers learn the routine and methods of foot patrol through on-the-job training. They are either dispatched to calls or respond on their own initiative as a result of patrolling and observing. In most cases, however, motor patrol officers are usually given the prime assignment of responding to calls, especially serious calls; foot patrol officers are used as a backup. In the majority of cases, the officers walk in pairs--however, single beats are not unusual.

Typical equipment that the foot officers carry include a gun, a police baton, a portable radio, and handcuffs. Additional equipment may be utilized depending on the department. Foot patrol officers spend varying amounts of time on foot patrol activities. The chart (labeled Table 1) illustrates the activities and time spent on each activity by foot officers in the sampled departments.

Foreign foot patrol officers, like their American counterparts, spend time with various community agencies. The most predominant organizations are in the following order: schools, social welfare agencies, local employers, youth organizations, medical services, drug or alcohol agencies, courts, and programs for the elderly.

The most prevalent method of interaction between foot patrol officers and residents is face-to-face contact while patrolling the beat. This contact takes place through field interviews and casual conversations. In addition, about half the foot officers make contact with residents by telephone.

Officers are most often supervised and evaluated by the reports they write, by the observation of the supervisor, by feedback from the community, by radio checks, and by crime statistics. In addition, the officers themselves provide feedback on their performance as do the motorized officers patrolling the particular foot beat area. Most of the officers also call in on a regular basis stating their location.

Although the survey information reports that the foot officers generally feel that foot patrol is important and a part of "real police work" there were perceived problems with foot patrol. Many of the difficulties existing in foreign foot patrol programs are similar to those of American programs. The major concern is indifference or apathy of the community and unwillingness to cooperate more with the foot patrol officer. Other often

mentioned problems included conflict between foot and motorized officers and the lack of mobility. In addition, there is felt to be problems with performance evaluation of the foot officer as well as difficulties with foot officers abusing their authority or power. The major advantages of foot patrol were listed as the following: increased perceptions of safety by the community, increased access to the police by the public, the improved relations between the public and the police, and increased crime >

**Resp. = Respondent**

	Very Much Count*	Very Much Resp. Survey #	Much Count* %	Much Resp. Survey #	Some Count * %	Some Resp. Survey #	Little Count *	Little Resp. Survey #	Never Count *	Never Resp. Survey#
1) Patrolling, observing	7 53.8	1, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12	3 23.1	2, 4, 13	3 23.1	5, 7, 11				
2) Checking out complaints			5 38.5	5, 6, 9, 10, 11	4 30.8	3, 4, 8, 12	4 30.8	1, 2, 7, 13		
3) Making security checks			2 15.4	7, 10	5 38.5	3, 4, 8, 9	5 38.5	1, 5, 6, 11, 13	1 7.7	2
4) Door to door contact	1 7.7	12	2 15.4	6, 8	6 46.2	1, 2, 4, 7 10, 11	3 23.1	3, 9, 13	1 7.7	5
5) Counseling or referring families with juvenile problems					3 23.1	4, 6, 13	7 53.8	2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11	3 23.1	1, 5, 12
6) Receiving complaints directly from citizens	2 15.4	5, 10	2 15.4	1, 6	7 53.8	2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11	2 15.4	12, 13		
7) Following up on juvenile contact sheets			1 7.7	6	3 23.1	1, 4, 9	5 38.5	3, 5, 8, 10, 13	4 30.8	2, 7, 11, 12
8) Counseling citizens on crime prevention			1 7.7	5	5 38.5	3, 4, 7, 9, 12	7 53.8	1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13		
9) Writing reports	1 7.7	5	4 30.8	3, 9, 10, 11	6 46.2	2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 13	2 15.4	1, 12		
10) Appearing in courts	1 7.7	5	3 23.1	9, 10, 11	3 23.1	7, 8, 13	4 30.8	2, 3, 4, 12	2 15.4	1, 6
11) Traffic control	1 7.7	5			3 23.1	2, 3, 4	8 61.5	1, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 12	1 7.7	6
12) Crime investigation	1 7.7	5			6 46.2	2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11	3 23.1	1, 4, 6	3 23.1	3, 12, 13
13) Attending community meetings					4 30.8	3, 4, 6, 9	5 38.5	2, 7, 8, 10, 11	4 30.8	1, 5, 12, 13
14) Contact with juveniles			2 15.4	6, 7	7 53.8	1, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13	3 23.1	2, 5, 12	1 7.7	3
15) Contact with other agencies					4 30.8	3, 4, 11, 13	7 53.8	1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	2 15.4	2, 12
16) Intervening in domestic affairs	1 7.7	6			4 30.8	3, 8, 11, 12	5 38.5	1, 4, 7, 9, 13	3 23.1	2, 5, 10

17) Providing services			3 23.1	6, 7, 9	6 46.2	3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 13	2 15.4	2, 5	2 15.4	1, 11
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Respondent Survey #	1- Victoria, Australia	4- Japan	7- New Zealand	10- Republic of the Philippines	13- Spain
Key:	2- Denmark	5- Liberia	8- Northern Ireland	11- Scotland	
	3- Israel	6- Netherlands	9- Philippines	12- Singapore	

## Appendix A

STATE

City

### FOLLOW-UP SURVEY TO PCS\*

1. On your response card you state that you have a community policing program (Foot Patrol Program, Park & Walk Programs, etc.) Do you still have the program?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. How long has the program been in existence?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. In what area(s) of the city does the program operate? (i.e., business, residential, predominantly of one racial group, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Has it expanded or contracted since its inception?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What was the impetus for its beginning? (i.e., business, community, political leaders, community groups)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. How is funding for the program provided: regular tax dollars, federal moneys, private funding?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. In what division is the program located? (i.e., patrol, special services, staff service)

8. What is the rank structure? (i.e., what rank supervises the program?) Does the commander have ready access to the chief?

9. How many sworn officers in your department?

10. How many officers are assigned to the program?

11. What shifts?

12. What is the sex breakdown of the officers?

The racial breakdown?

13. Are the officers assigned to the program volunteers?

14. What are the average years of total police experience of the officers?

15. What are officers required to do?

16. Do the officers in the program like their assignment?

17. What does the community think about the program?

- business community?
- politicians?
- residents?
- church groups?
- other department units (i.e., motor patrol officers, investigators)?

18. Do you anticipate that the program will

Name of Agency Date

Feel free to answer in your own language (If non-English).

1. a. How do police organizations in your country deploy police forces on patrol duties?

Circle all that apply:

- On foot (Walking)
- Home
- Motorized
- Scooter or motorcycle
- Bicycle
- Others \_\_\_\_\_

specify

b. What would you think is the main means of patrol? \_\_\_\_\_  
specify

2. If your police organization does deploy police forces on foot, what is the proportion of foot patrol among the patrol force?

Circle the correct number:

- 1 to 10
- 2 to 10
- 5 to 10
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. a) Do your foot patrol units belong to a patrol division in the police department?

- Yes
- No

b) What is the foot patrol's division? \_\_\_\_\_  
specify

4. If foot patrol officers are assigned to specified areas, please circle which ones:

1) Rural areas and

- Residential areas
- Business establishments
- Both
- Other areas \_\_\_\_\_

specify

2) Urban areas

5. a) Are there any other government or private security agencies or organizations which perform the same or similar duties to police foot patrol?

- Yes
- No

b) If "yes," then list some of the agencies or organizations you have. \_\_\_\_\_

6. a) How long each day are foot patrol officers assigned to foot patrol duty? (circle answer)

- 24 hours a day
- Specified time only (\_\_\_\_\_ hours/day)

b) If you deploy police officers on foot patrol for specified time only, please circle what times.

- During the day (business hours only)
- Evening
- At night
- Occasional spot coverage

7. On what basis are foot patrol beats decided? (circle all that apply)

- Reported crime rates
- Traffic activity
- Request from residents or merchants
- Population density
- Administrative jurisdiction
- Geographical characteristics
- Area size

8. On what basis are policemen assigned to foot patrol? (circle correct answer)

- Rotation
- Voluntary
- Punishment
- On the job training
- Recruited as foot officers
- Last assignment as readiness for retirement

9. In general, which types of patrolmen do you think are assigned to foot patrol?

- Rookie or inexperienced
- Less competent
- Old officers
- Those being punished
- No special considerations

10. How do you train or educate foot patrol officers?

- In police academy
- Special courses
- On the job training
- No training at all
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

11. How do your foot patrol officers respond to calls for services?

- Dispatched
- Respond on their own initiatives

12. Whenever responding to civilian calls for police services, who do your dispatch police officers send the calls to ?

- Only foot patrol officers
- Only motor patrol officers
- Mainly motor patrol with use of foot patrol as back up
- Mainly foot patrol with use of motor patrol as back up

13. How many foot patrol officers are assigned to the same beat at same time?

- Single officer
- Two officers
- More than two officers

14. What are foot patrol officers equipped with during the tour of duties? (Circle answers)

- Guns
- Police baton
- Portable radio
- Wireless set
- Handcuffs
- Others \_\_\_\_\_

specify

15. How do your foot patrol officers fulfill their duties?

- Only by walking on their beat
- Both by walking for some time and by riding for the rest of the time.

16. a) How much time do your foot patrol officers usually spend for: (circle appropriate box/dot)

	Very Much	Much	Some	Little
7) Following up on juvenile contact sheets				
8) Counseling citizens on crime prevention				
9) Writing reports				
10) Appearing in courts				
11) Traffic control				
12) Crime investigation				
13) Attending community meetings				
14) Contact with juveniles				
15) Contact with other agencies				
16) Intervening in domestic affairs				
17) Providing services				
18) Any other _____ specify				

b) What do you think are the most important of the previous question? (Give the number of the three most important things in rank order.

1)\_\_\_\_\_ 2)\_\_\_\_\_ 3)\_\_\_\_\_

17. a) What community, government, or social agencies do your foot patrol officers contact? (Circle all that apply)

- Schools
- Medical services
- Family counseling services
- Elderly programs
- Drug or alcohol agencies
- Prosecutors
- Corrections
- No contact at all
- Church groups
- Local employers
- Courts
- Youth organizations
- Social welfare agencies
- Military groups
- Others \_\_\_\_\_

specify

b. Which of the preceding agencies are most important for contacts? (Give the number of the three most important agencies to contact in rank order.)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3) \_\_\_\_\_

18. How do your foot patrol officers contact residents? (Circle all that apply.)

- 1) Telephone
- 2) Residents come to the foot patrolman
- 3) Field interview
- 4) Person to person contact
- 5) Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

19. a. Does the community get involved in any way with foot patrol officers?

- Yes
- No

b. If "yes", how do they get involved? (Circle all that apply.)

- Complaining
- Report
- Support
- Participate
- Inform
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

20. How much do you think foot patrol officers are motivated to achieve their patrol duties on foot?

- Very much



- Much
- Some
- Little
- Never

21. How do you supervise your foot patrol officers on their beats?  
(Circle all that apply.)

- By reports
- By motorized patrol during their tour of duties
- Radio checks
- Officers call in
- Officers radio in their location on regular basis
- Direct supervising by sergeant
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

22. How do you evaluate your foot patrol officers? (Circle all that apply.)

- Reports by officers themselves
- Reports from supervisors
- Community feedback (from citizens)
- Crime statistics
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

23. Do the foot policemen generally think that foot patrol is important to doing real police work?

- Yes
- No

24. What do you think are the most common problems facing foot patrol in your community?

- Indifference of community
- Officer's abuse of power or authority
- Disregard of foot patrol
- Corruption of officers
- Poor performance
- Morale conflicts between foot and motor
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

25. What would you think are the most important advantages of foot patrol in your country? (Circle all that apply.)

- Crime prevention
- Arresting criminals
- Increased feeling of safety in community
- Increased access of public to the police
- Good contacts with people
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

26. What would you think are the most important disadvantages of foot patrol in your country? (Circle all that apply.)

- Expensive
- Lack of mobility
- Morale conflict between foot and motor patrol
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

specify

27. How would you describe your country's police organization? (Circle all that apply.)

- National
- Centralized
- Decentralized
- Military group

28. What would you think is the current number of police per capita in your country?

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29. What is the number of crime occurrences per 10,000 inhabitants in your country in 1982? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Appendix C

### Police Department Identifying Data

Symbols and numbers used in designated columns on the following chart are to be interpreted as follows:

**X** Designates that information is lacking or greatly fluctuates.

**XX** Designates that the department has written material available.

**\*\* Key:**

1=Foot Patrol

2=Park and Walk

3=Motorcycle-Scooter-Walk

4=Team Policing

5=Special Purpose Vehicle

6=Horse Patrol

7=Auxiliary, Reserve, Volunteer citizens

8=Neighborhood Response Unit

### Police Department Identifying Data

Survey	City-State	Number of	Number of	Type of	Written	Telephone
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Number		Officers in Department (X)	Officers in Program (X)	Program**	Info. Avlbl. (XX)	Number
1	Stoneham MA	1	1	1	XX	(616) 438-1212
2	Fayetteville NE	70	2	2		(919) 323-1500
3	Fort Knox KY	2	1,2	1,2	XX	(502) 624-4335
4	Clearwater FL	1	1	1		(813) 462-6330
5	Danvers MA	1	1,2	1,2		(617) 774-1212
6	Winona MN	1	1	1		(507) 454-6100
7	LaCrosse WI	2	1	1		(608) 782-1790
8	Scotch Plains NJ	2	3	3		(201) 322-7100
9	Ossining NY	3	1,2	1,2		(914) 941-5700
10	Goshen IN	32	1	1	XX	(219) 533-8661
11	Hayward CA	2	1,2	1,2		(415) 881-7501
12	Mansfield OH	2	1	1		(419) 526-2318
13	Marietta OH	2	1	1		(614) 373-4141
14	Chelsea MI	1	1	1		(313) 475-9122
15	Barberton OH	X	1	1		(216) 745-2181
16	Atlanta GA	40	1,2	1,2		(404) 658-7830
17	Asheville NC	5	1,2	1,2	XX	(704) 255-5225
18	Hastings NE	XX	2	2	XX	(402) 472-4161
19	Gary IN	19	1	1	XX	(219) 881-1254
20	Wheeling IL	6	1,2	1,2	XX	(312) 459-2632
21	Gardner MA	6	2	2		(617) 632-5600
22	Austin MN	XX	1	1		(507) 433-3401
23	Laconia NH	24	2	2		(603) 524-5252
24	Baton Rouge LA	12	2	2	XX	(504) 389-3874
25	Bountiful UT	25	5	1		(801) 295-9435
26	Whitefish Bay WI	16	2	1		(414) 962-3830
27	Hickory NC	57	44	1,2		(704) 324-2060
28	Salisbury NC	53	10	1,2,3		(704) 637-3312
29	Staunton VA	44	15	1,2		(703) 886-0037
30	Cincinnati OH	967	1	1	XX	(513) 352-3572
31	Syracuse NY	433	2	1		(315) 352-3572
32	Rochester NY	433	X	1,5		(315) 425-6108
33	Rochester NY	598	1-4	1		(716) 342-4991
34	Fort Lee NJ	85	3	1	XX	(201) 592-3527
35	Waco TX	162	33	2		(817) 752-5555
36	Green Bay WI	164	5	1		(414) 497-3833
37	Tulsa OK	648	28	1		(918) 588-9311
38	Cuyahoga Falls OH	58	6	1,7		(216) 928-2181
39	Tacoma WA	261	X	1		(206) 591-5655
40	Newark NJ	1100	8 pt/tm	1		(201) 733-6190
41	Valley Stream NY	50	1	1		(516) 825-1684
42	Charleston WV	171	2	1		(304) 348-6460
43	University City MO	78	20	7		(314) 862-4555
44	Fairbanks AK	50	3	5		(907) 452-1527
45	Juneau AK	21	36	2		(907) 586-5211
46	N. Olmstead OH	43	43	2	XX	(216) 777-3535
47	Garland TX	158	2	1,2		(214) 494-7513
48	Norwood OH	51	2	1	XX	(513) 396-8220
49	San Luis Obispo CA	48	14	1	XX	(805) 549-7310
50	Glendale AZ	145	18	1,2	XX	(602) 931-5528
			4	2	XX	

50	York PA	90	2	1	XX	(717) 846-1234
51	N. Miami Beach FL	93	3	4		(305) 948-2956
52	Irvington NJ	147	X	2		(201) 399-6532
53	Verona NJ	29	3-4	1,2		(201) 239-5000
54	Tullahoma TN	29	29	2	XX	(615) 455-0530
55	S. Portland ME	45	126	2		(207) 799-5511
56	Springfield OH	100	1	1		(513) 324-7721
57	Raytown MO	48	30	1,3,5,6		(816) 353-8137
58	Rantoul LA	19	X	1,2	XX	(217) 892-2103
59	Homewood IL	35	2	1	XX	(312) 798-3000
60	Pompano Beach FL	149	36	2,6,7		(305) 786-4020
61	W. Warwick RI	43	14	1,2		(401) 822-9232
62	Oakland CA	43	X	1,3		(401) 822-9232
62	Oakland CA	625	X	2,4		(415) 273-3958
63	Huntsville AL	241	130	1		(205) 532-7203
64	Palm Springs CA	83	26	5	XX	(619) 323-8123
65	Walnut Creek CA	67	2	1		(415) 943-5894
66	Denver CO	1355	6	1		(303) 575-3632
67	Washington DC	3847	20	1,2	XX	(202) 727-4321
68	Dade County FL	2219	17	2	XX	(305) 638-6721
68	Dade County FL	2219	X	1		(305) 638-6721
69	San Fransisco CA	1923	2-3	1		(415) 641-8827
70	Tampa FL	687	24	1,2		(813) 225-5870
71	S. Miami FL	42	X	1		(305) 667-7571
72	Coeur D'Alene ID	23	4	2	XX	(208) 667-9529
73	Alberta-Edmonton CANADA	1130	X	1,2		(403) 421-3460
74	Winnetka IL	25	2	1		(312) 446-9143
75	Watertown CT	30	3	1,3	XX	(203) 274-2533
76	Lake Worth FL	67	X	2	XX	(305) 586-1618
76	Lake Worth FL	67	2	1	XX	(305) 586-1618
77	Baltimore MD	3056	45	7	XX	(301) 396-2525
78	Los Gatos CA	39	17	1		(408) 354-5257
79	Grosse Pointe MI	26	2	3	XX	(303) 885-2100
80	Albert Lea MN	29	X	1		(507) 373-6408
81	Missoula MT	53	X	1		(406) 721-4700
82	Elgin IL	94	X	1		(312) 695-6500
83	Grand Ledge MI	14	1 (10 Vol)	11		(517) 627-7877
84	Eureka CA	33	6-8	1		(707) 442-4545
84	Eureka CA	33	3	1,2		(707) 442-4545
85	Towson MD	1450	X	1		(301) 494-2325
86	Fort Worth TX	774	12	1		(817) 870-6000
87	Warren MI	232	24	2	XX	(313) 574-4709
88	Dallas TX	2084	X	1,2	XX	(214) 670-5496
89	Grand Haven MI	20	X	1		(616) 842-3460
90	Holland MI	49	X	1.6,7		(616) 392-1401
91	Plymouth Township MI	1 (10 Vol)	17	1,8		(313) 453-8600
92	Las Vegas NV	706	7	1		(702) 386-3401
93	Lincoln NE	227	X	1		(402) 471-7751
94	Omaha NE	544	11	1,2		(402) 444-5868
94	Omaha NE	544	3	1,2		(402) 444-5868
95	Charleston SC	217	X	2		(803) 577-7434
96	Houston TX	3716	4	1		(713) 222-3632
97	Cairo IL	16	15	1		(618) 734-2131
98	Evanston IL	146	6	2		(312) 866-5014
99	Evansville IN	236	10	1		(812) 426-5535
100	Richmond VA	593	1	1		(804) 780-8780
			2	1		

101	Madison WI	298	4	5		(608) 266-4248
102	Miami FL	1045	2	1		(305) 579-6668
103	Orlando FL	430	X	1	XX	(305) 849-2422
104	Palm Beach FL	74	9	1,4		(305) 659-1600
105	Park Ridge IL	49	X	2		(312) 399-5252
106	Rock Island IL	80	X	1		(309) 793-3425
107	Fort Wayne IN	316	13	1,2		(219) 423-7156
108	Richmond IN	74	X	1,2		(317) 966-5577
109	Eaton Rapids MI	10	FP 93 PWX	1,2		(517) 663-1111
110	Greenville MI	14	X	1		(616) 754-7101
111	Jackson MI	75	12	1		(517) 788-4131
112	Kalamazoo MI	188	30	1,2		(616) 385-8101
113	Lansing MI	238	24	1		(517) 372-9400
114	Wilmington NC	99	X	1		(919) 762-3311
115	Binghamton NY	138	6	1	XX	(607) 772-7091
116	Appleton WI	86	X	1,2		(414) 735-5525
117	Niagara Falls NY	151	X	2		(716) 278-8009
118	Santa Anna CA	304	4	2,3,6		(714) 834-4211
119	Chicago IL	12,353	20	1,2		(312) 744-5000
120	New York NY	23,339	X	1		(212) 374-5000
121	Boston MA	1846	4	2		(617) 247-4200
122	Philadelphia PA	7218	X	1,7		(617) 247-4200
123	San Diego CA	1376	4	1		(215) 231-3131
124	Honolulu HI	1584	3-9	1		(619) 236-6566
125	Cypress CA	47	X	1		(808) 943-3111
126	Rockford IL	249	X	1,6		(714) 828-9390
127	Berkeley CA	156	2	2		(815) 987-5911
128	Detroit MI	3808	60	1		(451) 644-6671
129	Alexandria VA	241	1	1		(313) 224-4480
130	Harrisburg PA	141	18	1,2		(703) 838-4744
131	Fort Lauderdale FL	431	X			(717) 255-3131
132	New Haven CT	353			XX	(305) 761-2415
133	Riverside CA	247			XX	(203) 787-6966
134	Rocky Hill CT	28				(714) 787-7959
135	Santa Monica CA	143				(203) 563-1451
136	Farmington Hills MI	64			XX	(213) 394-5411
137	Covington KY	96			XX	(313) 472-0911
138	Champaign IL	85				(606) 292-2222
139	Springfield IL	192				(217) 351-4545
140	Orange NJ	93				(217) 788-8325
141	Kearney NE	30				(201) 266-4116
142	Holyoke MA	89				(308) 237-2104
143	Los Angeles CA	6886				(413) 536-6431
					XX	(213) 485-3294

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