

Table 428. Number of Governmental Units by Type: 1962 to 2007

Type of government	1962	1967	1972	1977	1982	1987	1992	1997	2002	2007
Total units	91,237	81,299	78,269	79,913	81,831	83,237	85,006	87,504	87,576	89,527
U.S. government	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
State government	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Local governments	91,186	81,248	78,218	79,862	81,780	83,186	84,955	87,453	87,525	89,476
County	3,043	3,049	3,044	3,042	3,041	3,042	3,043	3,043	3,034	3,033
Municipal	18,000	18,048	18,517	18,862	19,076	19,200	19,279	19,372	19,429	19,492
Township and town	17,142	17,105	16,991	16,822	16,734	16,691	16,656	16,629	16,504	16,519
School district	34,678	21,782	15,781	15,174	14,851	14,721	14,422	13,726	13,506	13,051
Special district	18,323	21,264	23,885	25,962	28,078	29,532	31,555	34,683	35,052	37,381

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Census of Governments*, Volume 1, Number 1, Government Organization, Series GC07(1)-1, quinquennial. See also <<http://www.census.gov/govs/cog/>>.

Table 429. Number of Local Governments by Type—States: 2007

[Governments in existence in January. Limited to governments actually in existence. Excludes, therefore, a few counties and numerous townships and "incorporated places" existing as areas for which statistics can be presented as to population and other subjects, but lacking any separate organized county, township, or municipal government. See Appendix III]

State	All governmental units ¹	County	Municipal	Township ¹	School district	Special district ²			
						Total ³	Natural resources	Fire protection	Housing ⁴
United States	89,476	3,033	19,492	16,519	13,051	37,381	7,227	5,873	3,463
Alabama	1,185	67	458	—	131	529	69	11	150
Alaska	177	14	148	—	—	15	—	—	14
Arizona	645	15	90	—	239	301	78	150	—
Arkansas	1,548	75	502	—	247	724	250	81	119
California	4,344	57	478	—	1,044	2,765	473	353	70
Colorado	2,416	62	270	—	180	1,904	180	252	89
Connecticut	649	—	30	149	17	453	1	72	114
Delaware	338	3	57	—	19	259	238	—	3
District of Columbia	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Florida	1,623	66	411	—	95	1,051	125	61	94
Georgia	1,439	154	535	—	180	570	38	2	191
Hawaii	19	3	1	—	—	15	14	—	—
Idaho	1,240	44	200	—	116	880	174	150	10
Illinois	6,994	102	1,299	1,432	912	3,249	1,026	841	113
Indiana	3,231	91	567	1,008	293	1,272	139	1	65
Iowa	1,954	99	947	—	380	528	247	66	23
Kansas	3,931	104	627	1,353	316	1,531	258	1	197
Kentucky	1,346	118	419	—	175	634	126	156	13
Louisiana	526	60	303	—	68	95	8	3	—
Maine	850	16	22	466	98	248	15	—	34
Maryland	256	23	157	—	—	76	38	—	20
Massachusetts	861	5	45	306	82	423	16	16	252
Michigan	2,893	83	533	1,242	579	456	79	25	—
Minnesota	3,526	87	854	1,788	341	456	144	—	162
Mississippi	1,000	82	296	—	164	458	249	33	55
Missouri	3,723	114	952	312	536	1,809	329	357	124
Montana	1,273	54	129	—	332	758	132	220	13
Nebraska	2,659	93	530	454	288	1,294	83	417	168
Nevada	198	16	19	—	17	146	33	18	5
New Hampshire	545	10	13	221	164	137	10	16	21
New Jersey	1,383	21	324	242	549	247	15	196	—
New Mexico	863	33	101	—	96	633	576	—	6
New York	3,403	57	618	929	680	1,119	3	891	—
North Carolina	963	100	548	—	—	315	145	—	94
North Dakota	2,699	53	357	1,320	198	771	78	281	35
Ohio	3,702	88	938	1,308	668	700	106	85	77
Oklahoma	1,880	77	594	—	567	642	100	30	137
Oregon	1,546	36	242	—	234	1,034	204	271	21
Pennsylvania	4,871	66	1,016	1,546	515	1,728	5	—	90
Rhode Island	134	—	8	31	4	91	4	37	25
South Carolina	698	46	268	—	85	299	48	83	43
South Dakota	1,983	66	309	916	166	526	103	84	49
Tennessee	928	92	347	—	14	475	109	1	96
Texas	4,835	254	1,209	—	1,081	2,291	442	139	387
Utah	599	29	242	—	40	288	82	18	17
Vermont	733	14	45	237	293	144	14	16	10
Virginia	511	95	229	—	1	186	47	—	—
Washington	1,845	39	281	—	296	1,229	178	375	43
West Virginia	663	55	232	—	55	321	14	—	37
Wisconsin	3,120	72	592	1,259	441	756	251	—	177
Wyoming	726	23	99	—	55	549	131	64	—

— Represents zero. ¹ Includes "town" governments in the six New England States and in Minnesota, New York, and Wisconsin.

² Single function districts. ³ Includes other special districts not shown separately. ⁴ Includes community development.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Census of Governments*, Volume 1, Number 1, Government Organization, Series GC07(1)-1, quinquennial. See also <<http://www.census.gov/cog/>>.