

## Local Health Department Job Losses and Program Cuts: State-Level Tables from the 2013 Profile Study

### INTRODUCTION

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) surveyed local health departments (LHDs) nationwide from January to March 2013. This survey was the eighth in a series of nationally representative surveys designed to measure the impact of the economic recession on LHDs' jobs, budgets, and programs. While the country as a whole shows signs of economic recovery, survey findings show that LHDs remain challenged to recover from the recession. Workforce capacity losses remain and LHDs are still more likely to cut than expand budgets. The national estimates are available on NACCHO's website ([www.naccho.org/lhdbudget](http://www.naccho.org/lhdbudget)). The data presented in the following pages supplement the overview of findings by providing information on cuts to budgets, jobs, and programs for many states.

### METHODOLOGY

NACCHO administered the National Profile of Local Health Department Survey to all LHDs (n=2,532) in the United States from January to March 2013. The survey included questions about budget, staffing, and program cuts during 2012. A total of 2,000 LHDs distributed across 49 states completed the survey (a response rate of 79%). Data were weighted to adjust for non-response. All data were self-reported; NACCHO did not independently verify the data provided by LHDs.

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TABLE 1. PERCENTAGE OF LHDs WITH CUTS TO STAFF AND PROGRAMS, BY STATE

State <sup>1</sup>	Loss of staff (layoffs and/or attrition)	Reduced staff time (cut hours and/or furlough)	Made cuts to...		Number of Responses <sup>2</sup>
			...at least one program	...three or more programs	
AK	14%	0%	100%	14%	6
AL	66%	5%	65%	19%	52–65
AR	21%	0%	13%	1%	66–73
AZ	64%	14%	71%	29%	11
CA	36%	22%	62%	30%	40–42
CO	32%	21%	61%	28%	44–48
CT	16%	11%	34%	8%	47–52
DE	50%	0%	50%	0%	2
FL	71%	12%	57%	19%	63–66
GA	100%	35%	91%	56%	11–12
IA	29%	17%	36%	5%	63–66
ID	71%	14%	29%	14%	7
IL	51%	14%	48%	17%	80–83
IN	8%	9%	35%	4%	53–55
KS	23%	18%	31%	12%	76–79
KY	72%	37%	73%	53%	49–51
LA	100%	0%	100%	63%	8–9
MA	3%	6%	31%	8%	109–121
MD	50%	29%	61%	22%	23–24
ME	44%	11%	60%	10%	9–10
MI	57%	32%	55%	10%	37–38
MN	36%	6%	43%	18%	57–61
MO	45%	23%	72%	32%	87–92
MS	78%	0%	11%	11%	9
MT	25%	9%	19%	6%	34–35
NC	48%	9%	48%	16%	65–72
ND	11%	15%	63%	18%	27
NE	49%	26%	51%	26%	19
NH	25%	25%	50%	25%	3
NJ	31%	7%	29%	8%	79–81
NM	33%	0%	17%	0%	6
NV	25%	25%	75%	25%	4
NY	74%	20%	57%	26%	43–44
OH	53%	29%	55%	27%	83–88
OK	10%	0%	30%	17%	66–70
OR	33%	23%	65%	15%	24–29
PA	79%	6%	88%	50%	14–16
SC	31%	0%	67%	17%	4
SD	0%	0%	13%	0%	8
TN	12%	1%	55%	10%	85–91
TX	36%	5%	44%	24%	39–41
UT	55%	17%	58%	25%	11–12
VA	46%	10%	38%	10%	30–31
VT	17%	0%	33%	11%	8–12
WA	44%	29%	80%	45%	31
WI	29%	12%	64%	14%	76–78
WV	29%	15%	52%	12%	34–35
WY	18%	22%	52%	13%	22–23
<b>Overall</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>1,848–1,930</b>

<sup>1</sup> States with no LHDs (HI and RI) have been omitted from this table.<sup>2</sup> The number of responses varied slightly by question. The range is shown here.

TABLE 2. PERCENTAGE OF LHDs WITH AND EXPECTING BUDGETS CUTS, BY STATE

State <sup>1</sup>	Current budget lower than last year	Expect budget to be lower next year	Number of Responses <sup>2</sup>
AK	0%	38%	5
AL	37%	86%	58–65
AR	23%	20%	62–65
AZ	35%	36%	9–10
CA	16%	24%	39–42
CO	27%	23%	43–47
CT	25%	15%	50
DE	100%	100%	2
FL	72%	61%	62–67
GA	44%	59%	12
IA	19%	25%	66–67
ID	43%	32%	6–7
IL	28%	36%	76–84
IN	24%	15%	50–52
KS	22%	19%	72–78
KY	56%	72%	50–53
LA	78%	90%	7–9
MA	5%	5%	125–128
MD	22%	36%	19–23
MI	38%	28%	37–38
MN	15%	12%	52–59
MO	42%	54%	84–92
MS	11%	85%	8–9
MT	10%	42%	31
NC	39%	30%	71–73
ND	19%	16%	26
NE	24%	27%	18–19
NH	25%	50%	3
NJ	16%	16%	74–76
NM	17%	0%	6
NV	50%	75%	4
NY	42%	41%	39–41
OH	38%	34%	84–88
OK	6%	9%	67–70
OR	28%	47%	28–29
PA	53%	73%	10–15
SC	31%	31%	5
TN	7%	4%	75–81
TX	17%	11%	37–43
UT	25%	36%	11–12
VA	13%	29%	28–31
WA	45%	41%	26–31
WI	26%	36%	70–76
WV	44%	57%	34–35
WY	23%	48%	22–23
<b>Overall<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>1,766–1,879</b>

<sup>1</sup> States with no LHDs (HI and RI) and insufficient data (ME, SD, VT) have been omitted from this table. However, overall proportions reflect data from all respondents. <sup>2</sup> The number of responses varied slightly by question. The range is shown here.