

- COMPARATIVE FACTS -

SELECTED DATA ON ELECTED COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS IN THE 50 STATES

Compiled by the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau - March 1971

State	No. of County Governments	Elected County Officers			Election ³	
		Total Number ¹	Average per County ²	Term (years)	Partisan	Nonpartisan
Alabama	67	876	13.1	4-6	X	
Alaska	9	8	6.3	3		
Arizona	14	299	21.4	4	X	
Arkansas	75	3,420	50.6	2		
California	57	1,580	33.6	4-6		
Colorado	62	486	7.8	4	X	
Connecticut	---County governments abolished in 1960---					
Delaware	3	28	9.3	2-4		
Florida	67	820	12.5	4-6	X	
Georgia	159	2,140	13.6	4		
Hawaii	3	12	4.0	2	X	
Idaho	44	332	7.5	2-4	X	
Illinois	102	936	16.8	4	X	
Indiana	92	743	15.1	4	X	
Iowa	99	2,955	97.0	2-4	X	
Kansas	105	849	8.2	2-4		
Kentucky	120	1,998	16.7	4-6	X	
Louisiana	62	1,195	19.3	4		
Maine	16	112	7.0	2-4	X	
Maryland	23	193	9.0	4		
Massachusetts	12	67	6.3	6	X	
Michigan	83	731	8.8	2-6		
Minnesota	87	812	9.5	2-6		
Mississippi	82	1,385	17.6	4		
Missouri	114	1,319	18.2	2-4	X	
Montana	56	713	12.7	2-4		
Nebraska	93	816	8.8	2-6	X	
Nevada	17	204	15.8	2-4		
New Hampshire	10	50	5.0	2	X	
New Jersey	21	96	4.6	3-5	X	
New Mexico	32	441	13.8	2-4	X	
New York	57	520	9.1	3-10		
North Carolina	100	1,628	19.0	2-4	X	
North Dakota	53	513	9.8	2-4		
Ohio	88	1,008	16.3	4-6	X	
Oklahoma	77	1,030	13.4	2-4		
Oregon	36	318	14.7	4-6	X	

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Pennsylvania	66	763	11.6	4-10		
Rhode Island		---No organized county governments---				
South Carolina	46	419	9.2	4	X	
South Dakota	64	603	16.6	2	X	
Tennessee	94	4,311	51.7	2-8	X	
Texas	254	3,485	16.9	4		
Utah	29	291	10.0	4		
Vermont	14	89	6.4	2		
Virginia	96	1,068	11.1	4-8	X	
Washington	39	493	17.7	4	X	
West Virginia	55	1,178	21.4	4-6	X	
WISCONSIN	72	670	9.4	2-6	X	
Wyoming	23	245	10.7	4		
United States	3,049	44,250	18.7			

¹Excluding members of governing body and other county boards.

²Excluding members of governing body.

³Compiled from survey of the 50 states conducted in January 1971. A blank entry indicates that no response was received.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1967 CENSUS OF GOVERNMENTS: POPULARLY ELECTED OFFICIALS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Table 7), May 1968. See also: footnote #3.