

# TRACKING BODY CAMERA IMPLEMENTATION



■ Yes  
■ No  
■ Unclear

Body cameras are rapidly becoming the norm in communities across the country. Campaign Zero reviewed available police department body camera policies from the [largest 30 cities](#) in America to determine whether this new technology is being implemented in ways that ensure accountability and fairness while protecting communities from surveillance.

Dept BC Policy	Coverage <sup>1</sup>	Fairness <sup>2</sup>	Transparency <sup>3</sup>	Privacy <sup>4</sup>	Accountability <sup>5</sup>
<a href="#">Austin</a>	<a href="#">1%</a>	No	No	Yes	No
<a href="#">Baltimore</a>	<a href="#">5%</a>	No	Yes	Unclear	No
<a href="#">Charlotte</a>	<a href="#">100%</a>	No	No	Yes	No
<a href="#">Chicago</a>	<a href="#">&lt;1%</a>	No	Yes	Yes	No
<a href="#">Dallas</a>	<a href="#">2%</a>	No	No	No	No
<a href="#">Denver</a>	<a href="#">14%</a>	No	No	Unclear	Yes
<a href="#">Fort Worth</a>	<a href="#">40%</a>	Unclear	No	No	No
<a href="#">Louisville</a>	<a href="#">51%</a>	No	Yes	Yes	No
<a href="#">Los Angeles</a>	<a href="#">8%</a>	No	No	Unclear	No
<a href="#">Memphis</a>	<a href="#">23%</a>	No	Yes	Unclear	No
<a href="#">Milwaukee</a>	<a href="#">11%</a>	No	Yes	No	No
<a href="#">New York City</a>	<a href="#">&lt;1%</a>	No	No	No	No
<a href="#">Phoenix</a>	<a href="#">5%</a>	No	Yes	No	No
<a href="#">San Diego</a>	<a href="#">50%</a>	No	No	Unclear	No
<a href="#">San Jose</a>	<a href="#">2%</a>	Yes	No	No	No
<a href="#">Seattle</a>	<a href="#">1%</a>	Unclear	Yes	Unclear	No
<a href="#">Washington DC</a>	<a href="#">13%</a>	No	Unclear	No	No

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More information regarding this analysis can be found [here](#). Cities that have begun to deploy body cameras, but have yet to develop written policies governing their use include Houston, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, and Nashville. Boston, Columbus, Detroit, El Paso, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Portland, San Antonio, and San Francisco have yet to deploy body cameras.

<sup>1</sup> What percent of the total police force is currently wearing body cameras?

<sup>2</sup> Are officers prohibited from viewing footage of critical incidents before making initial statements or reports, a [common investigative](#) practice used with civilians suspected of a crime?

<sup>3</sup> Can the public obtain footage of a deadly force incident once investigations have concluded without being subject to the police, the court's, or the Mayor's discretion?

<sup>4</sup> Is footage deleted after six months or less if it does not depict use of force, detention, civilian complaint, or is determined to have evidentiary, exculpatory, or training value?

<sup>5</sup> Are there clear guidelines for how officers who do not follow body camera policy should be disciplined?