

TABLE 6.2 **Staff Size for Major State Government Functions**

| Function | Employees | Percentage |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Higher education | 126,190 | 39.7% |
| Criminal justice, corrections | 44,785 | 14.1% |
| Public welfare | 23,032 | 7.2% |
| Transportation | 14,225 | 4.5% |
| Parks, wildlife, etc. | 11,059 | 3.5% |
| State finance | 9,395 | 3.0% |
| State police | 6,553 | 2.1% |
| State courts and justice | 5,729 | 1.8% |
| Other education | 4,970 | 1.6% |

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