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## APPLICATIONS UP FOR COP JOBS IN IDAHO, WASHINGTON

Law enforcement officials in eastern Washington state and northern Idaho say applications for police jobs are on the rise. The Spokane Police Department in eastern Washington has received almost double the number of applications it received the previous year, and the Coeur d'Alene Police Department in northern Idaho has seen a 36% increase. Officials say the economy is the main reason behind the increase. Scott Decker, a professor with the Arizona State University School of Criminology, says the money and stability of a police job is a big draw in a bad economy.

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