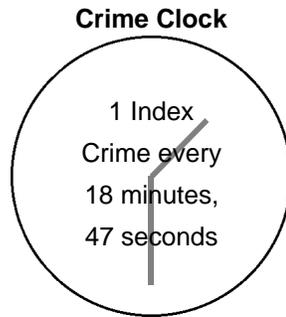


CRIME IN MAINE 2014 — HIGHLIGHTS



During 2014 the crime clock average in Maine reflected the following:

VIOLENT CRIMES: 1 every 5 hours, 32 minutes1 Murder every 16 days, 14 hours, 11 minutes
 1 Rape every 24 hours, 36 minutes
 1 Robbery every 28 hours, 49 minutes
 1 Aggravated Assault every 9 hours, 44 minutes

PROPERTY CRIMES: 1 every 19 minutes, 54 seconds1 Burglary every 104 minutes, 56 seconds
 1 Larceny every 25 minutes, 38 seconds
 1 Motor Vehicle Theft every 11 hours
 1 Arson every 88 hours, 29 minutes

CRIME RATEThe Crime Rate is based on the occurrence of an Index Offense per 1,000 residents of the state. Local and county rates are based on their individual populations. The State Crime Rate for 2014 was 21.04 per 1,000. The comparable rate for 2013 was 24.21. The 2014 state population is estimated at 1,330,089 persons.

INDEX OFFENSESThere were 27,987 Index Offenses reported by police during 2014 — a decrease of 4,175 offenses (13.0%) from the 32,162 similar offenses reported in 2013.

VIOLENT CRIMESMurder, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault make up the Violent Crimes category. Violent crimes as a group decreased by 79 offenses from 2013 for a 4.8% decrease. During 2014 violent crimes totaled 1,582, compared to a 2013 total of 1,661. Violent crimes accounted for 5.7% of all reported index crimes (5.2% in 2013) and represent a crime rate of 1.19 per 1,000 population.

PROPERTY CRIMESProperty Crimes, consisting of Burglary, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson, fell in 2014 by 4,096 offenses (13.4%) from 2013. There were 26,405 offenses reported in 2014 with 30,501 being shown for 2013. Property crimes account for 94.4% of all index crimes with a crime rate of 19.85 offenses per 1,000 population.

MURDERThere were 22 murders committed in Maine during 2014 — a decrease of 2 (8.3%) from the 24 murders reported in 2013. Law enforcement cleared 21 murders this year. Maine’s 10-year average is 24 homicides annually.

RAPE	Forcible Rapes decreased by 3 reported offenses during 2014. There were 359 offenses reported to police in 2013, compared to 356 in 2014. Of the total, 340 were actual rapes, while 16 were classified as attempts to commit forcible rape.
ROBBERY	Robberies decreased by 9.3% (31 offenses) during 2014, from 335 in 2013 to 304 in 2014.
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	Law enforcement reported 900 Aggravated Assaults during 2014, a decrease of 4.6% from the 2013 figure of 943. Simple assaults (a non-index crime) decreased by 6.5% during 2014 with 10,044 offenses reported.
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	All offenses of assault between family or household members are reported as Domestic Assault and account for 46.3% of all assaults. During 2014 police reported 5,067 offenses, a decrease of 420 (7.7%) from the 5,487 offenses reported in 2013.
BURGLARY	The number of Burglaries during 2014 fell by 22.4% compared with those in 2013. There was a decrease of 1,444 from the 2013 total of 6,453. The 5,009 burglaries reported statewide resulted in property loss totaling \$5,875,187. Burglaries represent 17.9% of all reported index offenses.
LARCENY-THEFT	The crime of Larceny decreased during 2014 by 10.9% from the 23,006 larceny offenses reported in 2013. Police reported 20,501 larceny crimes during 2014. Shoplifting increased 7.2% and thefts from motor vehicles decreased 30.7% for 35.8% of all larceny crimes reported.
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	Motor Vehicle Theft registered a decrease of 106 offenses during 2014, from 902 in 2013 to 796. A high of 2,764 motor vehicles were reported stolen during 1978.
ARSON	The crime of Arson was added to the list of reportable index crimes in 1980. During 2014 there were 99 arsons reported, down 41 (29.3%) from the 140 arsons reported for 2013. Estimated property loss caused by arson totaled over \$1.1 million during 2014 — down 64.7%.
HATE CRIME	Beginning in 1992, Hate Crime was added as a new reporting requirement. During 2014, police reported 29 incidents involving 31 victims and resulting in a total of 29 offenses. This figure represented a 3.3% decrease from the 2013 total of 30 offenses (27 incidents involving 29 victims).
STOLEN/RECOVERED PROPERTY	During 2014 law enforcement agencies recorded \$21,239,896 worth of property stolen during the commission of index crimes — a decrease of 31.8% from the \$31,165,246 stolen during 2013. Police were able to recover 24.4% (\$5,191,038) of stolen property during 2014.

CLEARANCE RATE	Law enforcement agencies cleared 34.8% of all index crimes in 2014 — higher than the 32.2% rate in 2013.
ARRESTS	The total number of persons arrested, summoned or cited by police, including juveniles and adults, was 47,883 — a decrease of 3.5% from the 49,610 persons recorded in 2013. Drug arrests increased 3.6% with 5,329 adults and 472 juveniles charged with drug offenses.
OFFICER ASSAULTS	There were 174 assaults on law enforcement officers in 2014, a decrease from the 2013 figure of 187.
POLICE EMPLOYMENT DATA	Statewide there were 2,294 full-time sworn law enforcement officers representing a ratio of 1.72 officers per 1,000 population. Nationally (in 2013) the average rate per 1,000 was 2.3.
TRENDS	The chart on the following pages shows the 10-year trend data for the index crimes recorded by Uniform Crime Reporting. Shown are the number of offenses, the crime rate per 1,000 residents of Maine, the percent cleared in Maine, the national crime rate per 1,000, and the percent change in the number of reported offenses in Maine.