

#### **BURGLARY**

Burglary, also known as breaking and entering, is "the unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny."

"A person is guilty of burglary if he enters or surreptitiously remains in a structure, knowing that he is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 401



Trend							
Year	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996		1992–1996
Number reported	10,061	8,918	8,915	9,218	9,230		
% change from previous year	-9.6%	-11.4%		3.4%	0.1%		
						% change	-8.3%
Rate per 1,000	8.03	7.22	7.22	7.46	7.47		
% change from previous year	-11.8%	-10.1%		3.3%	0.1%		
•						% change	-7.0%

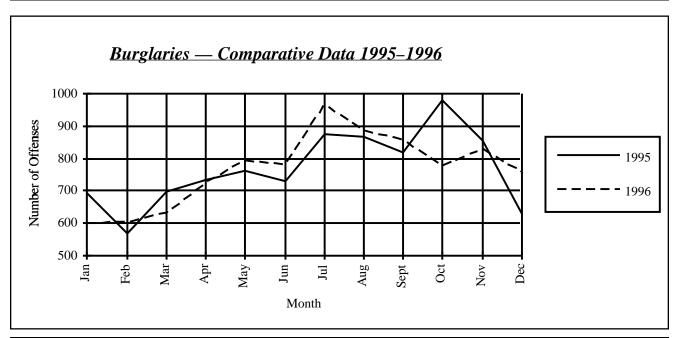
	Characteristics — 1996		
Place of Occurrence		Ν	
Residence	65.3%	July	
Non-Residence		August	
Type of Entry		September	
Forcible Entry		Value	
Unlawful Entry — No Force		Total	
Attempted Forcible Entry	8.6%	Per Incident A	
Time of Day			
Night — 6 p.m.–6 a.m		1,876 Offense	
Unknown		Arrests/Crime	
Day — 6 a.m.–6 p.m			

Months of Highest Occu	irrence
July	
August	9.6%
September	
Value of Property Stolen du	ring Offense
Total	\$7,683,999.00
Per Incident Average	\$832.50
Clearance Rate	
1,876 Offenses Cleared	
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.23

## Profile of Persons Arrested 2,118 Arrests

Age	
17 and under	
18–24	
25–29	7.7%
30–34	3.7%
35–39	3.4%
40 and over	
Sex	
Male	
Female	7.9%

<i>Type of Entry</i> , 1995–1996					
	1995	1996	% change		
Forcible Entry Unlawful Entry,	5,361	5,208	-2.9%		
no force Attempted	3,051	3,226	+5.7%		
Forcible Entry	806	796	-1.2%		
Totals	9,218	9,230	+0.1%		



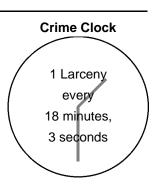
Burglary by Time of Day, 1995–1996							
	Ni	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Prop		
	1995	1996	% change	1995	1996	% change	
Residence							
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,808	1,748	-3.3%	\$1,066,474	\$1,333,049	+25.0%	
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	2,078	2,280	+9.7%	\$1,688,991	\$2,122,562	+25.7%	
Unknown	2,405	1,999	-16.9%	\$1,773,210	\$1,344,352	-24.2%	
Subtotals	6,291	6,027	-4.2%	\$4,528,675	\$4,799,963	+6.0%	
Non-Residence							
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,737	1,884	+8.5%	\$1,402,616	\$1,848,200	+31.8%	
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	407	453	+11.3%	\$249,919	\$277,081	+10.9%	
Unknown	783	866	+10.6%	\$654,925	\$758,755	+15.9%	
Subtotal	2,927	3,203	+9.4%	\$2,307,460	\$2,884,036	+25.0%	
Grand Totals	9,218	9,230	+0.1%	\$6,836,135	\$7,683,999	+12.4%	



### LARCENY-THEFT

Larceny is the unlawful taking of the property of another with the intent to deprive him of ownership.

Maine has consolidated conduct denoted as Theft under Title 17-A, Chapter 15, § 351, Consolidation, embracing numerous separate crimes previously known as larceny, embezzlement, false pretenses, extortion, blackmail, shoplifting, and receiving stolen property. In properly classifying/scoring these offenses under UCR guidelines, certain offenses fall under Larceny-Theft, while others more appropriately fit under Part II offense definitions such as Fraud, Embezzlement, Stolen Property or All Other Offenses.



Theft by unauthorized taking or transfer — "1. A person is guilty of theft if he obtains or exercises unauthorized control over the property of another with intent to deprive him thereof." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 353

Burglary of a motor vehicle — "A person is guilty of theft if the actor enters a motor vehicle knowing the actor is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein (and that crime is theft)." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 405

Trend							
Year	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996		1992–1996
Number reported	29,604	26,769	28,138	28,504	29,193		
% change from previous year	-6.4%	-9.6%	5.1%	1.3%	2.4%		
						% change	-1.4%
Rate per 1,000	24.00	21.68	22.78	23.08	23.64		
% change from previous year	-7.3%	-9.7%	5.1%	1.3%	2.4%		
						% change	-1.5%

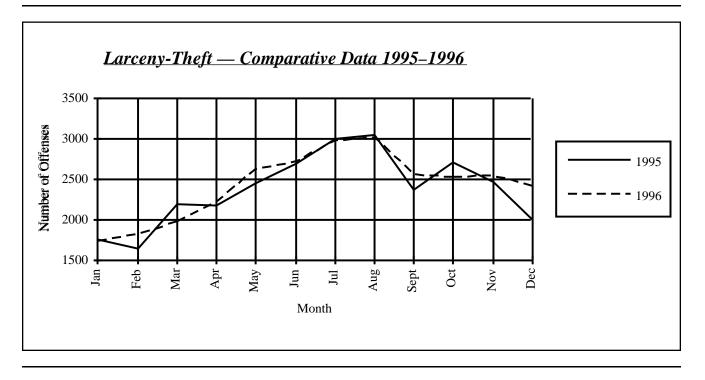
# Characteristics — 1996

All Other	30.5%
From Motor Vehicles	21.0%
From Buildings	
Shoplifting	16.6%
Bicycles	7.6%
Motor Vehicles Parts & Accessories	5.1%
From Coin-Op Machines	0.5%
Purse-Snatching	0.4%
Pocket-Picking	0.2%
Value per Incident	
Under \$50	41.5%

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Over \$200	
\$50 to \$200	
Months of Highest O	ccurrence
August	
July	
June	9.3%
Value of Property Stolen	during Offense
Total	\$9,826,995.00
Per Incident Average	\$336.62
Clearance Ra	nte
8,013 Offenses Cleared	
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.25

Profile of Persons Ar 7,182 Arrests	rested
Age	
17 and under	
18–24	
25–29	7.0%
30–34	5.4%
35–39	4.5%
40 and over	8.9%
Sex	
Male	69.4%
Female	

Larceny by Classification, 1995–1996						
	Ν	umber of Of	ffenses		Value Stolen	
	1995	1996	% change	1995	1996	% change
Pocket-Picking	115	71	-38.3%	\$68,676	\$22,116	-67.8%
Purse-Snatching	113	129	+14.2%	\$22,015	\$32,139	+46.0%
Shoplifting	4,696	4,844	+3.2%	\$374,722	\$406,534	+8.5%
From Motor Vehicles	5,776	6,118	+5.9%	\$1,693,002	\$1,827,885	+8.0%
M/V Parts & Accessories	1,450	1,498	+3.3%	\$423,457	\$458,979	+8.4%
Bicycles	2,329	2,231	-4.2%	\$589,803	\$617,286	+4.7%
From Buildings	5,124	5,252	+2.5%	\$2,410,435	\$2,849,067	+18.2%
From Coin-Op Machines	148	138	-6.8%	\$50,440	\$40,184	-20.3%
All Other	8,753	8,912	+1.8%	\$3,416,402	\$3,572,805	+4.6%
Totals	28,504	29,193	+2.4%	\$9,048,952	\$9,826,995	+8.6%



## MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

Uniform Crime Reporting defines Motor Vehicle Theft as the larceny or attempted larceny of a motor vehicle, including "joy riding." Excluded from this class is a reported offense where there is lawful access to the vehicle, such as a family situation, or unauthorized use by others with lawful access, such as with employees.

Motor vehicles are defined by UCR as self-propelled vehicles that run on the surface of the land and not on rails, such as automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, snowmobiles, ATVs, etc. Not included are farm equipment, construction equipment, airplanes, motorboats.



Unauthorized use of property — "1. A person is guilty of theft if: A. Knowing that he does not have the consent of the owner, he takes, operates or exercises control over a vehicle, or knowing that the vehicle has been wrongfully obtained, he rides in such vehicle." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A § 360

Trend							
Year	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996		1992–1996
Number reported	1,755	1,665	1,756	1,720	1,766		
% change from previous year	-12.6%	-5.1%	5.5%	-2.1%	2.7%		
						% change	0.6%
Rate per 1,000	1.42	1.35	1.42	1.39	1.43		
% change from previous year	-13.4%	-4.9%	5.2%	-2.1%	2.9%		
						% change	0.7%

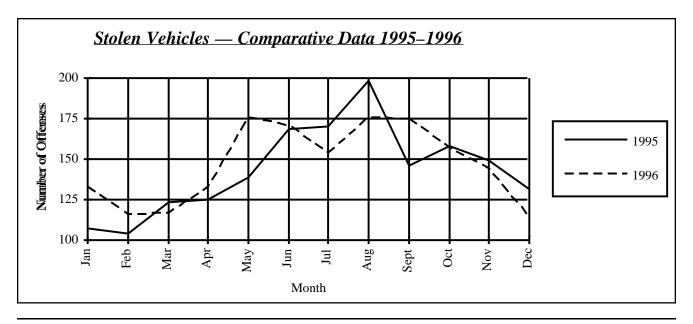
Type of Vehicle 1995–1996							
	Auto- mobiles	Trucks/ Buses	Other Vehicles	Totals			
1995	1,120	254	346	1,720			
1996	1,121	276	369	1,766			
% change	+0.1%	+8.7%	+6.6%	+2.7%			

# Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered 1996

	No. Recovered	% Recovered
Recovered Locally	847	48.0%
Recovered — Other	Jurisdictions	
	380	21.5%
Total Recovered	1,227	69.5%
Not Recovered	539	30.5%

Characteristics — 1996						
Type of Vehicle Value of Property Stolen during Offense						
Automobiles	63.5%	Total	\$8,703,049.00			
Other Vehicles	20.9%	Per Incident Average	\$4,928.11			
Trucks/Buses	15.6%	Number of Locally Stolen M/V	s Recovered1,227			
Months of Highest Occurrence	•	Value of Property Recovered				
May/August	10.0%	Total	\$6,725,151.00			
September	9.9%	Clearance R	late			
June	9.7%	620 Offenses Cleared				
Arrests/Crime Ratio0.30						

Profile of Persons Arr 525 Arrests	ested
Age	
17 and under	
18–24	
25–29	7.8%
30–34	5.7%
35–39	
40 and over	4.0%
Sex	
Male	
Female	11.8%



#### ARSON

Arson is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting program as any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. Only fires determined through investigation to have been willfully or maliciously set are classified as arson. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

"1. A person is guilty of arson if he starts, causes, or maintains a fire or explosion; A. On the property of an other with the intent to damage or destroy property



thereon; or B. On his own property or the property of another (1) with the intent to enable any person to collect insurance proceeds for the loss caused by the fire or explosion; or (2) which recklessly endangers any person or the property of another." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 802.

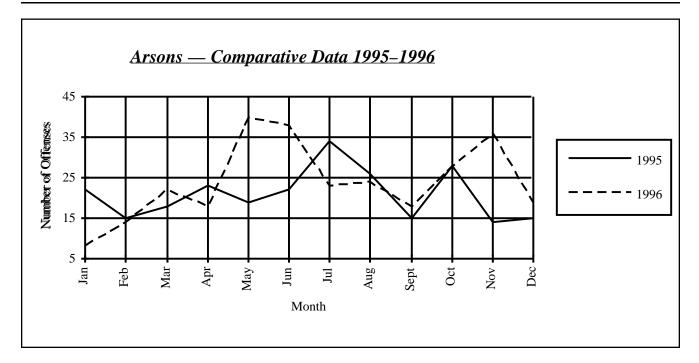
Trend							
Year	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	<b>1992–1996</b>	
Number reported	286	326	281	251	288		
% change from previous year	-4.0%	14.0%	-13.8%	-10.7%	14.7%		
						% change	0.7%
Rate per 1,000 population	0.23	0.26	0.23	0.20	0.23	-	
% change from previous year	-4.2%	13.0%	-11.5%	-13.0%	15.0%		
•						% change	

Characteristics — 1996						
Type of Property						
Structural						
Mobile						
Other						
Months of Highest Oc	currence					
May						
June						
November						
Value of Property D	amaged					
Total	\$5,269,575.00					
Per Incident Average	\$18,297.14					
Clearance Rat						
111 Offenses Cleared						
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.50					

### Profile of Persons Arrested 145 Arrests

Age	
17 and under	64.8%
18–24	12.4%
25–29	4.8%
30–34	5.5%
35–39	5.5%
40 and over	6.9%
Sex	
Male	
Female	

Arson by Property Type, 1995–1996								
	Estimated	Estimated Value of Property Loss						
Classification	1995	1996	% change	1995	1996	% change		
Structural — Residential	83	95	+14.5%	\$2,125,116	\$1,290,608	-39.3%		
Structural — Non-residential	85	109	+28.2%	\$437,695	\$3,852,918	+780.3%		
Mobile (cars, trailers, boats, etc.)	37	47	+27.0%	\$150,050	\$123,949	-17.4%		
All other (crops, fields, signs, etc.)	46	37	-19.6%	\$7,207	\$2,100	-70.9%		
Totals	251	288	+14.7%	\$2,720,068	\$5,269,575	+93.7%		



Arson Breakdown by County								
	I	Number of	Estimate	d Value of Prop	erty Loss			
County	1995	1996	% change	1995	1996	% change		
Androscoggin	22	18	-18.2%	\$50,185	\$498,270	892.9%		
Aroostook	7	9	28.6%	\$14,608	\$154,833	959.9%		
Cumberland	120	130	8.3%	\$1,471,779	\$1,775,142	20.6%		
Franklin	1	3	200.0%		\$300	100.0%		
Hancock	5	1	-80.0%		\$100	100.0%		
Kennebec	14	21	50.0%	\$371,314	\$92,151	-75.2%		
Knox	7	3	-57.1%	\$35,240	\$10,150	-71.2%		
Lincoln	4		-100.0%	\$300		-100.0%		
Oxford	4	2	-50.0%	\$7,500	\$24,800	230.7%		
Penobscot	23	30	30.4%	\$30,697	\$65,975	114.9%		
Piscataquis	3		-100.0%	\$300		-100.0%		
Sagadahoc	9	5	-44.4%	\$302,200	\$85,000	-71.9%		
Somerset	5		-100.0%	\$1,055		-100.0%		
Waldo	1	5	400.0%	\$101,000	\$10,500	-89.6%		
Washington	8	6	-25.0%	\$16,550	\$2,114,110	12,674.1%		
York	18	55	205.6%	\$317,340	\$438,244	38.1%		
Totals	251	288	14.7%	\$2,720,068	\$5,269,575	93.7%		

Note: Arson figures shown by UCR may not agree with figures shown by the Fire Marshal's office due to local depart - ments handling cases informally.