

CRIME RATES

The computation of crime rates as they appear in this report is based on 2018 population estimates received from the Uniform Crime Reporting division of the FBI, using provisional estimates of the Bureau of Census. Rural populations are arrived at by deleting the population figures for each direct reporting municipal department from their respective county totals.

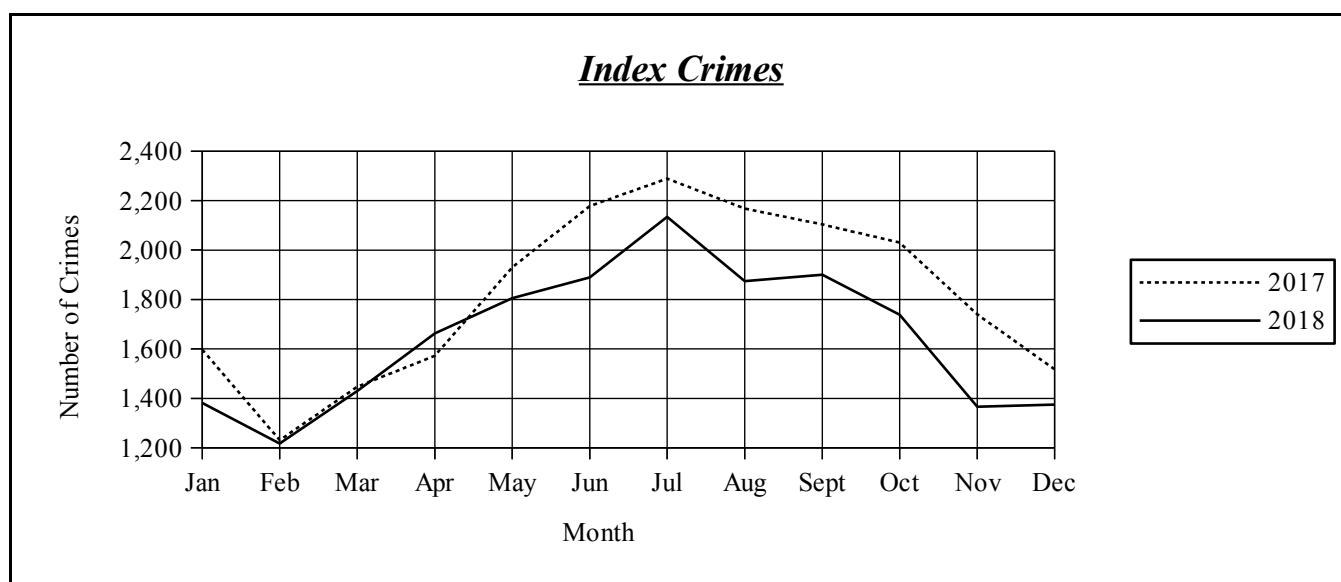
Monthly and annual Uniform Crime Reports currently received from approximately 132 municipal, county and state law enforcement agencies in Maine represent 100 percent of the estimated Maine population.

The crime rate involves the number of Index Crimes per unit of population, usually per 100,000 persons. Be-

cause Maine has such a low population total, a rate per 1,000 persons has been used to reflect a more realistic volume. No attempt has been made to incorporate either transient population or other factors which contribute to the ratio and type of crime in a given area. Any effort to make comparisons of crime rates between one area and another should recognize these population changes and varying environmental factors.

The crime index rate for Maine for the year 2018 was 14.77 offenses per 1,000 persons. Violent crimes occurred at a rate of 1.12 offenses per 1,000 persons, property crimes at a rate of 13.65.

Offense	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Rate/1000 Population
Murder	23	.12%	.02
Rape	447	2.26%	.33
Robbery	227	1.15%	.17
Aggravated Assault	801	4.05%	.60
Burglary	2,707	13.69%	2.02
Larceny-Theft	14,688	74.28%	10.97
M/V Theft	776	3.92%	.58
Arson	104	.53%	.08
Totals	19,773	100.00%	14.77
Total Violent Crime	1,498	7.58%	1.12
Total Property Crime	18,275	92.42%	13.65



Crime by County

County	Year	Annual Crime Rate per 1,000	Total Index Crimes	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson	Percent Clearance
Androscoggin	2017	19.12	2,056	—	52	44	74	304	1,504	73	5	36.4%
	2018	16.98	1,829	2	41	29	89	200	1,403	54	11	44.7%
Aroostook	2017	10.23	691	1	20	5	63	103	473	24	2	51.4%
	2018	11.15	749	1	7	3	45	127	516	48	2	50.1%
Cumberland	2017	17.36	5,116	2	100	86	195	629	3,898	190	16	32.9%
	2018	15.32	4,510	2	97	80	177	533	3,436	164	21	33.1%
Franklin	2017	12.58	377	1	17	1	23	35	278	22	—	31.8%
	2018	9.23	276	—	16	—	19	45	180	15	1	33.7%
Hancock	2017	10.64	581	1	1	1	14	82	469	13	—	60.1%
	2018	7.37	402	1	6	1	8	40	338	7	1	58.5%
Kennebec	2017	16.35	1,973	—	40	22	81	264	1,510	56	—	38.6%
	2018	14.33	1,747	—	49	18	56	202	1,357	60	5	43.7%
Knox	2017	12.14	484	—	2	2	23	50	391	16	—	36.4%
	2018	9.72	387	—	1	2	5	37	329	13	—	31.3%
Lincoln	2017	10.97	376	1	16	3	15	64	264	13	—	31.9%
	2018	9.94	340	—	16	5	17	43	236	23	—	35.9%
Oxford	2017	18.07	1,035	—	28	4	25	166	766	46	—	34.3%
	2018	18.19	1,045	—	29	5	25	200	758	27	1	41.2%
Penobscot	2017	16.56	2,516	2	29	21	48	386	1,950	77	3	39.7%
	2018	17.06	2,590	5	20	29	58	275	2,106	95	2	44.6%
Piscataquis	2017	10.55	177	—	2	—	3	27	135	10	—	24.3%
	2018	10.19	170	—	1	1	11	36	113	8	—	43.5%
Sagadahoc	2017	13.37	473	1	6	1	13	89	342	21	—	35.9%
	2018	11.28	400	1	5	2	14	67	302	8	1	35.8%
Somerset	2017	17.70	900	—	18	6	28	174	630	44	4	32.7%
	2018	15.36	775	—	26	7	24	130	546	38	4	32.9%
Waldo	2017	8.04	318	—	4	1	11	79	205	18	—	36.8%
	2018	6.05	242	—	6	3	14	77	123	19	—	31.4%
Washington	2017	8.85	277	—	5	4	10	71	177	10	—	30.7%
	2018	9.22	290	—	8	3	18	58	190	13	—	40.3%
York	2017	14.63	2,982	1	72	36	158	406	2,213	89	7	29.8%
	2018	13.86	2,847	2	68	30	136	376	2,114	108	13	26.7%
Fire Marshal	2017	—	106	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	102	48.1%
	2018	—	44	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	42	56.8%
MDEA	2017	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	50.0%
	2018	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	33.3%
State Police	2017	—	1,363	11	36	10	91	385	759	70	1	41.5%
	2018	—	1,127	9	51	8	84	260	639	76	—	43.7%
TOTALS	2017	16.32	21,803	21	448	247	875	3,316	15,968	792	136	36.1%
	2018	14.77	19,773	23	447	227	801	2,707	14,688	776	104	38.2%

<i>Total Index Crimes by County, January–December 2018</i>													
County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Androscoggin	161	114	151	175	178	160	165	150	166	156	119	134	1,829
Aroostook	48	46	45	63	78	68	84	66	75	70	46	60	749
Cumberland	326	282	359	394	371	475	472	425	410	400	303	293	4,510
Franklin	16	24	20	25	37	18	28	25	26	21	18	18	276
Hancock	38	30	47	33	30	49	48	38	29	25	23	12	402
Kennebec	122	97	127	155	171	138	192	157	178	148	131	131	1,747
Knox	25	21	37	31	31	35	52	38	32	33	27	25	387
Lincoln	18	16	28	28	34	48	31	27	40	30	20	20	340
Oxford	63	59	85	75	104	98	107	129	87	97	75	66	1,045
Penobscot	149	161	166	218	243	213	254	246	296	216	211	217	2,590
Piscataquis	13	8	14	5	12	14	20	13	29	18	11	13	170
Sagadahoc	28	26	13	26	32	39	35	40	26	84	24	27	400
Somerset	50	53	46	57	73	78	87	78	89	74	44	46	775
Waldo	23	20	17	16	17	16	28	17	32	25	14	17	242
Washington	25	14	17	19	16	30	40	22	24	35	14	34	290
York	202	155	185	246	269	280	354	291	246	216	203	200	2,847
Fire Marshal	6	5	2	6	1	4	2	3	3	5	5	2	44
MDEA	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3
State Police	68	85	71	91	107	127	135	109	112	85	77	60	1,127
2018 Total	1,381	1,217	1,430	1,663	1,805	1,890	2,134	1,874	1,900	1,738	1,366	1,375	19,773
2017 Total	1,597	1,231	1,447	1,572	1,930	2,178	2,289	2,168	2,104	2,030	1,740	1,517	21,803
% Change	-13.5%	-1.1%	-1.2%	5.8%	-6.5%	-13.2%	-6.8%	-13.6%	-9.7%	-14.4%	-21.5%	-9.4%	-9.3%