

MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER SUMMARY, 2020

Date and Agency	Victim				Offender(s)				Relationship of Victim to Offender	Circumstances	Weapon Used
	Age	Sex	Race	Hispanic / Latino?	Age	Sex	Race	Hispanic / Latino?			
1/9/2020 Newport PD	37	F	White	No	40	M	White	No	Wife	Other arguments	Personal weapons
1/25/2020 Gardiner PD	23	M	White	No	21	M	White	No	Friend	Other arguments	Handgun
2/1/2020 Bangor PD	25	M	Black or African American	No	34	M	Black or African American	No	Acquaintance	Brawl due to influence of alcohol	Knife / Cutting instrument
2/3/2020 State Police	57	M	White	No	63	M	White	No	Unknown relationship	Unable to determine	Handgun
2/3/2020 State Police	33	M	White	No	63	M	White	No	Friend	Unable to determine	Handgun
2/3/2020 State Police	49	F	White	No	63	M	White	No	Acquaintance	Unable to determine	Handgun
3/15/2020 Millinocket PD	24	M	White	No	45	M	White	No	Acquaintance	Other arguments	Handgun
6/3/2020 Auburn PD	48	M	White	No	25	M	White	Missing	Unknown relationship	Unable to determine	Knife / Cutting instrument
6/6/2020 Waterville PD	33	M	White	No	20	M	Black or African American	Missing	Acquaintance	Unable to determine	Firearm (type not stated)
6/14/2020 State Police	28	M	White	No	29	F	White	No	Acquaintance	Other	Knife / Cutting instrument
7/29/2020 Auburn PD	21	M	White	No	22	M	Black or African American	Missing	Acquaintance	Other arguments	Knife / Cutting instrument
					24	M	Black or African American	Missing	Acquaintance	Other arguments	Knife / Cutting instrument
8/19/2020 Lincoln PD	63	F	White	No	44	M	White	No	Mother	Other arguments	Handgun
8/21/2020 Lewiston PD	19	F	White	No	26	M	Black or African American	Missing	Ex-girlfriend	Other arguments	Handgun
8/26/2020 Greenville PD	73	F	White	Unk.	71	M	White	Unk.	Wife	Other arguments	Firearm (type not stated)
10/3/2020 Winthrop PD	30	M	Black or African American	Unk.	Unk.	Unk.	Unknown	Unk.	Unknown	Other	Firearm (type not stated)
10/7/2020 State Police	64	F	Unknown	No	66	M	Unknown	No	Sister	Other arguments	Handgun
	64	M	Unknown	No					Brother-in-law		
10/7/2020 State Police	65	M	White	No	32	M	White	No	Friend	Other arguments	Fire / Incendiary device
10/24/2020 Old Town PD	43	M	White	No	44	F	White	No	Boyfriend	Other arguments	Handgun
10/28/2020 South Portland PD	44	M	White	No	35	M	White	Missing	Acquaintance	Other arguments	Personal weapons
10/31/2020 Lewiston PD	18	M	Black or African American	No	20	M	Black or African American	Missing	Other — known to victim	Other arguments	Firearm (type not stated)
12/10/2020 Bangor PD	28	M	Black or African American	Unk.	Unk.	Unk.	Unknown	Unk.	Unknown relationship	Brawl due to influence of alcohol	Firearm (type not stated)

MURDER AND NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter are described by UCR as the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another — or a death that results from the commission of another criminal act.

Murder — “1. A person is guilty of murder if: A. He intentionally or knowingly causes the death of another human being; B. He engages in conduct which manifests a depraved indifference to the value of human life ...; or C. ... causes another human being to commit suicide by the use of force, duress or deception.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 201

Felony Murder — “1. A person is guilty of felony murder if acting alone or with one or more other persons in the commission or attempt to commit immediate flight after committing or attempting to commit ... [another felony offense], he or another participant in fact causes the death of another human being ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 202

Manslaughter — “1. A person is guilty of manslaughter if he: B. ... causes the death of another human being ... while under the influence of extreme anger or extreme fear ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 203

Not included in the count for this offense classification are deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident. Although manslaughter by negligence is recorded on the “offenses known to police” form along with murder, it is not considered an index offense and is not discussed in this report. Attempts to murder or assaults to murder are scored as aggravated assaults and not murder.

Crime Clock



<i>Trend</i>						
Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016–2020
Number reported	18	21	23	22	22	
% change from previous year	-21.7%	16.7%	9.5%	-4.3%	—	
						% change 22.2%
Rate per 1,000	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	
% change from previous year	-21.9%	16.3%	9.3%	-4.8%	-0.4%	
						% change 20.5%

Characteristics — 2020

Victim-Offender Relationship

Non-Stranger to Non-Stranger	82.6%
Stranger to Stranger	0.0%
Unknown	17.4%

Type of Weapon Used

Firearm	63.6%
Knife/Cutting Instrument	22.7%
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.0%
Hands, Fists, Feet	9.1%
Other/Undetermined	4.5%

Value of Property Stolen during Offense

Total	\$0.00
Per Incident Average	\$0.00

Clearance Rate

17 Offenses Cleared	77.3%
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.55

**Profile of Persons Arrested
12 Arrests**

Age

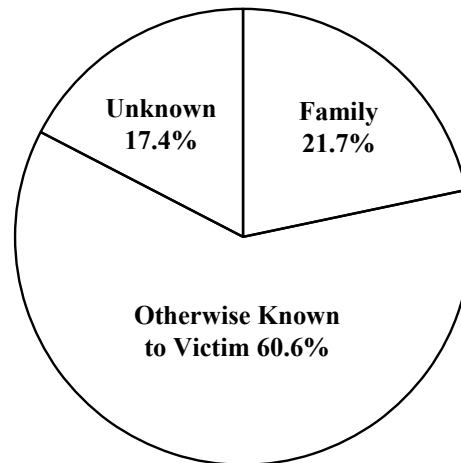
17 and under	0.0%
18–24	25.0%
25–29	8.3%
30–34	16.7%
35–39	0.0%
40 and over	50.0%

Sex

Male	100.0%
Female	0.0%

Murder Distribution by Relationship (Victim to Offender)

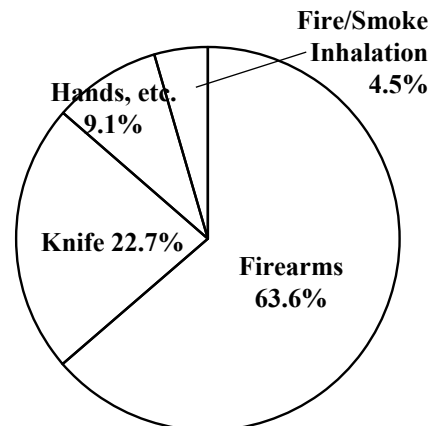
Relationship*	Number	% of Total
Wife	2	8.7%
Mother	1	4.3%
Brother-in-law	1	4.3%
Sister	1	4.3%
Total Family	5	21.7%
Girlfriend/Boyfriend	2	8.7%
Friend	3	13.0%
Acquaintance	9	39.1%
Unknown	4	17.4%
Total Other	18	78.3%
TOTAL	23	100.0%



*Number of relationships may not agree with number of victims due to instances of multiple offenders or multiple victims.

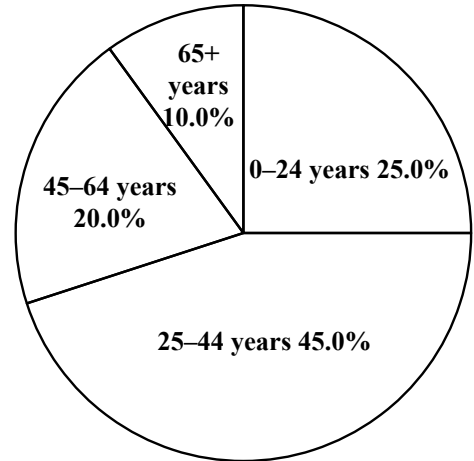
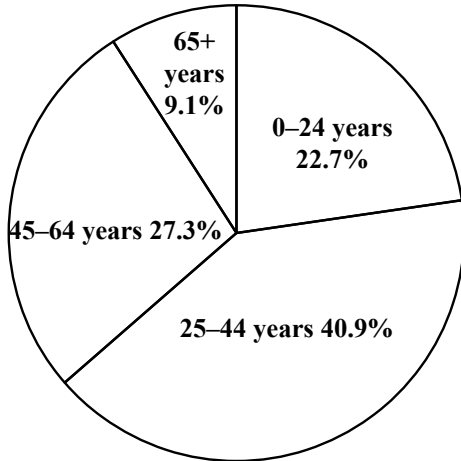
Murder Distribution by Weapon

Weapon	Number	% of Total
Firearm	14	63.6%
Knife, Cutting Instrument	5	22.7%
Hands, Fists, Feet	2	9.1%
Fire/Smoke Inhalation	1	4.5%
Total	22	100.0%



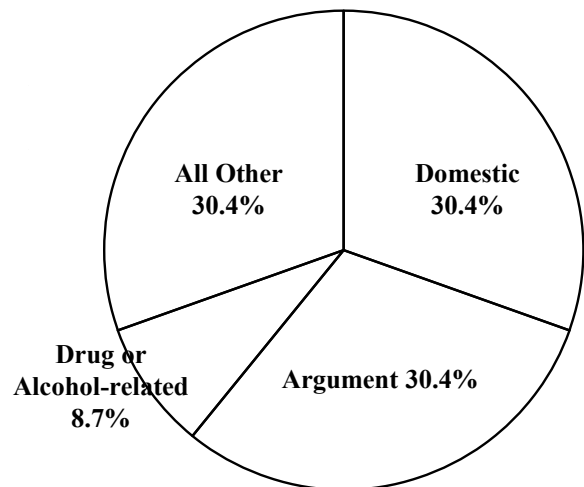
Murder Distribution by Age and Sex

Age of Victims	Male	Female	Total	Age of Offenders	Male	Female	Total
0-14 years	—	—	—	0-14 years	—	—	—
15-24 years	4	1	5	15-24 years	5	—	5
25-34 years	6	—	6	25-34 years	4	1	5
35-44 years	2	1	3	35-44 years	3	1	4
45-54 years	1	1	2	45-54 years	1	—	1
55-64 years	2	2	4	55-64 years	3	—	3
65+ years	1	1	2	65+ years	2	—	2
Total	16	6	22	Total	18	2	20



Murder Distribution by Circumstances

Circumstance**	Number	% of Total
Felony Total*	—	—
Domestic Conflict	7	30.4%
Argument	7	30.4%
Drug or Alcohol-related	2	8.7%
Other	2	8.7%
Unknown	5	21.7%
Other than Felony Total	23	100.0%
TOTAL	23	100.0%



*Felony murder is defined as a killing which occurs in conjunction with the commission of another crime such as a robbery, arson, sexual assault or other felonious activities.

**Due to the unlimited set of possible circumstances surrounding homicides, it is difficult to provide a clear-cut or precise statistical category. In the intent of uniformity, the number of circumstance categories has been kept to a minimum. Caution is suggested in drawing generalizations from the data without more deliberate analysis. This table makes no attempt to analyze the motives of offenders, but rather to display general circumstances surrounding the events.