

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

Crime Clock



Trend

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016–2020
Number reported	3,991	3,316	2,707	2,340	2,019	
% change from previous year	-14.6%	-16.9%	-18.4%	-13.6%	-13.7%	
						% change -49.4%
Rate per 1,000	3.00	2.48	2.02	1.74	1.50	
% change from previous year	-14.8%	-17.2%	-18.5%	-13.9%	-14.1%	
						% change -50.1%

Characteristics — 2020

Place of Occurrence		Time of Day	
Residence	65.1%	Night — 6 p.m.–6 a.m.	27.0%
Non-Residence	34.9%	Day — 6 a.m.–6 p.m.	64.3%
		Unknown	8.7%
Type of Entry		Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Forcible Entry	46.8%	Total.....	\$3,198,923.00
Unlawful Entry — No Force	46.2%	Per Incident Average.....	\$1,584.41
Attempted Forcible Entry	7.1%	Clearance Rate	
		524 Offenses Cleared.....	26.0%
		Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.23

**Profile of Persons Arrested
457 Arrests**

Age	
17 and under	20.4%
18–24	17.9%
25–29	12.0%
30–34	18.8%
35–39	12.3%
40 and over	18.6%
Sex	
Male	83.6%
Female	16.4%

Type of Entry, 2019–2020

	2019	2020	% chg
Forcible Entry	970	944	-2.7%
Unlawful Entry, No Force	1,199	932	-22.3%
Attempted Forcible Entry	171	143	-16.4%
Totals	2,340	2,019	-13.7%

Burglary by Time of Day, 2019-2020

	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	2019	2020	% change	2019	2020	% change
Residence						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	461	359	–22.1%	\$526,863	\$416,427	–21.0%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	901	832	–7.7%	\$808,063	\$1,071,857	32.6%
Unknown	180	123	–31.7%	\$205,473	\$150,606	–26.7%
Subtotals	1,542	1,314	–14.8%	\$1,540,399	\$1,638,890	6.4%
Non–Residence						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	246	186	–24.4%	\$332,646	\$186,452	–43.9%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	445	466	4.7%	\$758,957	\$1,323,076	74.3%
Unknown	107	53	–50.5%	\$229,106	\$50,505	–78.0%
Subtotals	798	705	–11.7%	\$1,320,709	\$1,560,033	18.1%
Grand Totals	2,340	2,019	–13.7%	\$2,861,108	\$3,198,923	11.8%

LARCENY-THEFT

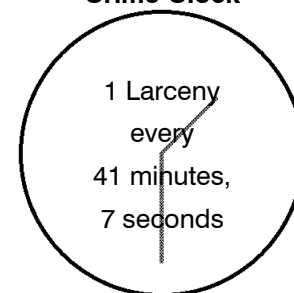
Larceny is the unlawful taking of the property of another with the intent to deprive him of ownership.

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

Crime Clock



Trend

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016–2020
Number reported	17,104	15,968	14,688	13,711	12,820	
% change from previous year	–9.0%	–6.6%	–8.0%	–6.7%	–6.5%	
						% change
						–25.0%
Rate per 1,000	12.85	11.95	10.97	10.20	9.50	
% change from previous year	–9.2%	–7.0%	–8.2%	–7.1%	–6.9%	
						% change
						–26.1%

Characteristics — 2020

Type of Criminal Activity	Value per Incident
Pocket-Picking	0.1%
Purse-Snatching	0.2%
Shoplifting	18.5%
From Motor Vehicles	13.8%
Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories	4.3%
Bicycles	3.3%
From Buildings	9.1%
From Coin-Op Machines	< 0.1%
All Other	50.7%
Over \$200	38.3%
\$50 to \$200	22.6%
Under \$50	39.1%
Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Total	\$8,382,515.00
Per Incident Average	\$653.86
Clearance Rate	
4,333 Offenses Cleared	33.8%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.26

Profile of Persons Arrested
3,395 Arrests

Age	
17 and under	6.5%
18–24	15.5%
25–29	13.4%
30–34	18.6%
35–39	16.3%
40 and over	29.7%
Sex	
Male	57.4%
Female	42.6%

Larceny by Classification, 2019–2020

	Number of Offenses			Value Stolen		
	2019	2020	% change	2019	2020	% change
Pocket-Picking	3	10	233.3%	\$450	\$3,986	785.8%
Purse-Snatching	23	29	26.1%	\$4,884	\$9,035	85.0%
Shoplifting	3,120	2,374	-23.9%	\$477,137	\$396,883	-16.8%
From Motor Vehicles	2,099	1,763	-16.0%	\$1,423,046	\$689,312	-51.6%
M/V Parts & Accessories	250	549	119.6%	\$133,128	\$543,371	308.2%
Bicycles	506	426	-15.8%	\$174,963	\$201,163	15.0%
From Buildings	1,415	1,164	-17.7%	\$1,215,305	\$923,706	-24.0%
From Coin-Op Machines	3	6	100.0%	\$85	\$2,109	2,381.2%
All Other	6,292	6,499	3.3%	\$6,369,101	\$5,612,950	-11.9%
Totals	13,711	12,820	-6.5%	\$9,798,099	\$8,382,515	-14.4%

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

Crime Clock



<i>Trend</i>						
Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016–2020
Number reported	775	792	776	724	857	
% change from previous year	-4.3%	2.2%	-2.0%	-6.7%	18.4%	% change 10.6%
Rate per 1,000	0.58	0.59	0.58	0.54	0.63	
% change from previous year	-4.5%	1.9%	-2.2%	-7.1%	17.9%	% change 9.1%

<i>Type of Vehicle 2019–2020</i>				
	Auto- mobiles	Trucks/ Buses	Other Vehicles	Totals
2019	600	59	65	724
2020	706	79	72	857
% change	17.7%	33.9%	10.8%	18.4%

<i>Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered 2020</i>		
	No. Recovered	% Recovered
Recovered Locally	172	20.1%
Recovered — Other Jurisdictions	77	9.0%
Total Recovered	249	29.1%
Not Recovered	608	70.9%

<i>Characteristics — 2020</i>	
Type of Vehicle	
Automobiles	82.4%
Truck/Buses	9.2%
Other Vehicles	8.4%
Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Total	\$6,687,389.00
Per Incident Average	\$7,803.25
Number of Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered	249
Value of Property Recovered	
Total	\$4,319,976.00
Clearance Rate	
383 Offenses Cleared	44.7%
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.30

<i>Profile of Persons Arrested 257 Arrests</i>	
Age	
17 and under	21.4%
18–24	13.6%
25–29	23.3%
30–34	17.9%
35–39	9.7%
40 and over	14.0%
Sex	
Male	74.7%
Female	25.3%

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 another 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

Crime Clock**Trend**

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016–2020
Number reported	209	136	104	145	179	
% change from previous year	129.7%	-34.9%	-23.5%	39.4%	23.4%	% change -14.4%
Rate per 1,000	0.16	0.10	0.08	0.11	0.13	
% change from previous year	129.3%	-35.1%	-23.7%	38.8%	22.9%	% change -15.5%

Characteristics — 2020

Type of Property	Value of Property Damaged
Structural 59.8%	Total \$2,923,249.00
Mobile 17.9%	Per Incident Average \$16,331.00
Other 22.3%	Clearance Ratio
	68 Offenses Cleared 38.0%
	Arrests/Crime Ratio 0.33

**Profile of Persons Arrested
59 Arrests**

Age	
17 and under	35.6%
18–24	27.1%
25–29	11.9%
30–34	3.4%
35–39	5.1%
40 and over	16.9%
Sex	
Male	84.7%
Female	15.3%

Arson by Property Type, 2019–2020

	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	2019	2020	% change	2019	2020	% change
Structural — Residential	54	69	27.8%	\$2,764,025	\$1,956,630	-29.2%
Structural — Non-residential	30	38	26.7%	\$332,685	\$676,665	103.4%
Mobile (cars, trailers, boats, etc.)	29	32	10.3%	\$258,220	\$269,732	4.5%
All other (crops, fields, signs, etc.)	32	40	25.0%	\$62,544	\$20,222	-67.7%
Totals	145	179	23.4%	\$3,417,474	\$2,923,249	-14.5%