Arrests — Drug and Liquor Violations

Due to the nature of the violations and a high interest and concern by public officials and the citizens of Maine generally, a special review is provided of drug- and alcohol-related arrests. The charts displayed reveal the number and age of people arrested during 2019.

The information provided here should be of interest to social agencies involved in the study of drug and alcohol problems in Maine. The information pinpoints the predominant drug and liquor arrests in Maine by age and identifies possible problem areas.

Facts revealed by the chart on drug violations:

- 83.6% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 16.4% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 70.3% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 29.7% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 3,614 total drug arrests: 2,490 were male, 1,124 were female.
- Total drug arrests decreased by 1.6% from the 3,672 arrests in 2018.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 92.0% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 8.0% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 80.9% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 19.1% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2019 decreased by 6.2% from the 2018 total. There were 5,811 OUI arrests in 2018 5,451 in 2019. Adult OUI arrests decreased by 6.2% and juvenile OUI arrests decreased by 3.7% from the previous year.
- Of the 5,451 OUI arrests in 2019, 3,874 were male 1,577 were female.
- Adults accounted for 99.5% of all OUI arrests for 2019.
- Juvenile liquor arrests decreased 22.1%, from 416 in 2018 to 324 in 2019.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2019 (includes those released without having been formally charged)

	D	RUG ARRES	TS	LIC	Total		
Age	Sale or Manufacturing	Possession	Total	Operating Under Influence	Liquor Laws	Total	Drug & Liquor Arrests
Under 10	_	1	1	_	1	1	2
10–12	3	10	13	_	_	_	13
13–14	13	53	66	_	32	32	98
15	9	31	40	1	55	56	96
16	13	63	76	6	68	74	150
17	8	76	84	19	142	161	245
Total Juvenile A	rrests 46	234	280	26	298	324	604
Percent of Total	16.4%	83.6%	100.0%	8.0%	92.0%	100.0%	
18	15	119	134	46	275	321	455
19	23	127	150	65	227	292	442
20	29	99	128	86	231	317	445
21–29	283	555	838	1,640	189	1,829	2,667
30–39	380	904	1,284	1,443	100	1,543	2,827
40–49	165	354	519	921	76	997	1,516
50-59	74	152	226	765	144	909	1,135
60 and over	21	34	55	459	36	495	550
Total Adult Arro	ests 990	2,344	3,334	5,425	1,278	6,703	10,037
Percent of Total	29.7%	70.3%	100.0%	80.9%	19.1%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,036	2,578	3,614	5,451	1,576	7,027	10,641
Percent of Total	28.7%	71.3%	100.0%	77.6%	22.4%	100.0%	_

Drug Arrest Analysis 2019											
Age	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	SALE/M Mari- juana	IANUFAC Synthetic narcotics	TURING Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	Mari-		ON Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	Grand Totals Drug Arrests
Under 10			_	_	0		1	_		1	1
10–12	_	3	_	_	3	_	10	_		10	13
13–14	_	11	_	2	13	_	51	_	2	53	66
15	1	6	2	_	9	1	27	2	1	31	40
16	_	12	1	_	13	1	59	1	2	63	76
17	1	6	_	1	8	3	62	4	7	76	84
Total < 18	8 2	38	3	3	46	5	210	7	12	234	280
18	4	7	2	2	15	7	94	4	14	119	134
19	11	7	1	4	23	8	97	6	16	127	150
20	11	9	3	6	29	17	59	8	15	99	128
21	10	1	3	5	19	19	3	5	9	36	55
22	13	3	2	4	22	14	4	10	22	50	72
23	11		5	11	27	18	3	7	15	43	70
24	13		1	6	20	25	4	10	15	54	74
25–29	107	3	26	59	195	147	5	64	156	372	567
30–34	105	3	24	71	203	216	18	78	191	503	706
35–39	82	5	28	62	177	137	7	80	177	401	578
40–44	46	2	14	29	91	83	7	40	98	228	319
45–49	34	2	8	30	74	54	_	15	57	126	200
50-54	21		9	13	43	46	_	18	35	99	142
55–59	14	2	4	11	31	24	_	6	23	53	84
60–64	2	2	4	8	16	10	1	8	9	28	44
Over 65	3	1	1		5	3		2	1	6	11
<u>Total > 18</u>	8 487	47	135	321	990	828	302	361	853	2,344	3,334
Grand Total	489	85	138	324	1,036	833	512	368	865	2,578	3,614