

POLICE EMPLOYMENT DATA

The Uniform Crime Reporting System in Maine incorporates a collection of important data relating to police within the state. Information such as ratio of police to population, assaults on officers, and related analysis are covered in this section.

As of December 9, 2020, the following information was gathered from 130 reporting agencies.

Sworn Personnel

- There were 1,639 full-time municipal law enforcement officers, representing 1.93 officers per 1,000 population for urban population areas.
- There were 389 full-time sworn law enforcement officers employed by Maine's 16 Sheriff's Departments. There were 302 sworn officers employed by the Maine State Police. The ratio of officers per 1,000 population in rural areas is 1.38.
- Statewide, there were 2,347 full-time sworn law enforcement officers. The total complement of officers represents a rate of 1.74 officers per 1,000 population.
- Nationally, in 2019, the average rate per 1,000 was 2.4. The average 2019 rate for the New England states was 2.3.

Civilian Personnel

- The number of full-time civilian support personnel employed by the municipal departments in Maine was 382.
- There were 50 civilians employed full-time by the county Sheriff's Departments. The Maine State Police employed 118 full-time civilians.
- The total number of full-time civilian support personnel employed statewide was 566.

Caution should be exercised in using rates for comparative purposes, since a wide variety of factors dictate the number of employees necessary to various law enforcement agencies. The term "full-time sworn" officers does not mean that these personnel are performing regular police enforcement duties in investigations, patrol and deterrent practices. The need for regulatory duties, correction duties, administrative duties and assigned special duties affects the number of personnel available for regular law enforcement duties. Comparing agencies should not be done without considering the "in-house" duties and responsibilities of the agencies involved.

Figures for Sheriff's Department personnel for the year 2020 do not include persons serving as correctional or court personnel in all Sheriff's Departments.

<i>Police Employment Data 2020</i>									
Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian Personnel		Total		Total
		Officers	Officers/ /1000	Officers/ /1000	M	F	M	F	
Androscoggin SO	28,834	23	—	0.9	—	2	23	2	25
Auburn PD	23,455	49	3	2.5	2	5	51	8	59
Lewiston PD	36,186	72	8	2.6	6	7	78	15	93
Livermore Falls PD	3,154	6	—	1.9	—	—	6	—	6
Lisbon PD	9,004	11	2	2.0	2	3	13	5	18
Mechanic Falls PD	2,974	5	1	2.0	—	—	5	1	6
Sabattus PD	5,054	7	1	1.8	—	1	7	2	9
Total Androscoggin	108,661	173	15	2.0	10	18	183	33	216
Aroostook SO	28,882	16	1	0.8	3	4	19	5	24
Caribou PD	7,532	13	1	2.0	—	1	13	2	15
Fort Fairfield PD	3,263	2	—	0.6	—	—	2	—	2
Fort Kent PD	3,831	4	—	2.3	1	4	5	4	9
Houlton PD	5,713	8	2	2.6	1	4	9	6	15
Madawaska PD	3,704	6	—	1.9	—	1	6	1	7
Presque Isle PD	8,937	11	3	2.1	2	3	13	6	19
Ashland PD	1,208	3	—	2.5	—	—	3	—	3
Limestone PD	2,159	3	—	1.4	—	—	3	—	3
Washburn PD	1,526	2	—	1.3	—	—	2	—	2
Total Aroostook	66,755	68	7	1.5	7	17	75	24	99
Cumberland SO	54,830	55	5	1.3	6	5	61	10	71
Brunswick PD	20,566	29	3	2.3	5	10	34	13	47
Cape Elizabeth PD	9,340	13	1	1.6	—	1	13	2	15
Falmouth PD	12,444	18	1	2.3	4	5	22	6	28
Gorham PD	18,167	20	2	1.4	1	2	21	4	25
Portland PD	66,229	133	15	3.1	15	40	148	55	203
South Portland PD	25,593	44	9	2.4	4	5	48	14	62
Scarborough PD	21,237	34	5	2.8	10	10	44	15	59
Westbrook PD	19,256	35	4	2.2	—	4	35	8	43
Bridgton PD	5,459	9	—	1.8	—	1	9	1	10

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian		Total		Total
		Officers	Officers/ /1000	Officers/ /1000	Personnel	Personnel	M	F	
Cumberland PD	8,327	12	—	1.7	1	1	13	1	14
Freeport PD	8,637	13	3	2.1	—	2	13	5	18
Yarmouth PD	8,617	13	1	1.7	—	1	13	2	15
Windham PD	18,720	26	1	1.6	—	3	26	4	30
Univ. Maine - Gorham	—	9	1	—	2	3	11	4	15
Total Cumberland	297,422	463	51	2.2	48	93	511	144	655
Franklin SO	11,982	14	—	1.3	—	1	14	1	15
Farmington PD	7,764	10	1	1.5	—	1	10	2	12
Jay PD	4,600	7	—	1.7	—	1	7	1	8
Wilton PD	3,944	3	1	1.0	—	—	3	1	4
Rangeley PD	1,153	3	—	2.6	—	—	3	—	3
Univ. Maine - Farmington	—	4	—	—	—	1	4	1	5
Carrabassett Valley PD	788	1	—	1.3	—	—	1	—	1
Total Franklin	30,231	42	2	1.6	—	4	42	6	48
Hancock SO	30,299	21	1	0.8	—	2	21	3	24
Bar Harbor PD	7,716	20	—	3.6	4	4	24	4	28
Ellsworth PD	8,231	18	1	2.7	—	3	18	4	22
Bucksport PD	4,927	10	—	2.6	—	3	10	3	13
Southwest Harbor PD	1,795	4	—	4.5	3	1	7	1	8
Gouldsboro PD	1,742	2	—	1.1	—	—	2	—	2
Winter Harbor PD	511	1	—	2.0	—	—	1	—	1
Total Hancock	55,221	76	2	1.8	7	13	83	15	98
Kennebec SO	51,983	24	1	0.5	1	2	25	3	28
Augusta PD	18,653	42	3	3.0	6	5	48	8	56
Gardiner PD	5,639	11	2	2.5	—	1	11	3	14
Hallowell PD	2,382	5	—	2.1	—	—	5	—	5
Waterville PD	16,654	26	4	2.5	1	10	27	14	41
Oakland PD	6,317	10	—	1.7	—	1	10	1	11
Monmouth PD	4,139	3	1	1.0	—	—	3	1	4
Winslow PD	7,599	9	1	1.4	—	1	9	2	11
Winthrop PD	5,983	8	1	2.3	1	4	9	5	14
Capitol Police	—	13	—	—	8	5	21	5	26
Clinton PD	3,340	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Total Kennebec	122,689	155	13	1.7	17	29	172	42	214
Knox SO	21,859	23	—	1.1	—	1	23	1	24
Camden PD	4,776	10	1	2.5	—	1	10	2	12
Rockland PD	7,151	16	1	2.7	1	1	17	2	19
Thomaston PD	2,741	5	—	1.8	—	—	5	—	5
Rockport PD	3,367	5	1	1.8	—	—	5	1	6
Total Knox	39,894	59	3	1.7	1	3	60	6	66
Lincoln SO	21,564	23	—	1.2	—	3	23	3	26
Boothbay Harbor PD	2,219	8	—	4.1	—	1	8	1	9
Damariscotta PD	2,144	5	—	2.8	—	1	5	1	6
Waldoboro PD	5,070	7	—	1.4	—	—	7	—	7
Wiscasset PD	3,767	3	—	1.1	—	1	3	1	4
Total Lincoln	34,764	46	—	1.5	—	6	46	6	52
Oxford SO	32,124	24	—	0.8	—	2	24	2	26
Rumford PD	5,735	11	1	2.3	—	1	11	2	13
Mexico PD	2,624	5	—	1.9	—	—	5	—	5
Norway PD	4,989	7	2	2.0	—	1	7	3	10
Paris PD	5,149	6	2	1.7	—	1	6	3	9
Fryeburg PD	3,452	3	2	1.4	—	—	3	2	5
Oxford PD	4,095	7	—	2.0	—	1	7	1	8
Total Oxford	58,168	63	7	1.3	—	6	63	13	76
Penobscot SO	61,701	38	1	0.7	—	4	38	5	43
Bangor PD	32,179	73	8	3.0	5	11	78	19	97
Brewer PD	8,988	18	3	2.6	—	2	18	5	23
Dexter PD	3,687	6	—	1.6	—	—	6	—	6
Lincoln PD	4,838	5	—	1.2	—	1	5	1	6
Old Town PD	7,388	12	3	2.2	—	1	12	4	16
Orono PD	10,851	12	2	1.4	—	1	12	3	15
Hampden PD	7,428	9	2	1.5	—	—	9	2	11
Millinocket PD	4,226	4	2	1.7	—	1	4	3	7
East Millinocket PD	2,922	4	1	1.7	—	—	4	1	5

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Newport PD	3,272	5	1	1.8	—	—	5	1	6
Veazie PD	1,823	4	—	2.2	—	—	4	—	4
Univ. Maine - Orono	—	12	2	—	6	2	18	4	22
Holden PD	3,106	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Total Penobscot	152,409	206	25	1.7	11	23	217	48	265
Piscataquis SO	8,855	9	—	1.0	—	—	9	—	9
Dover-Foxcroft PD	4,018	5	—	1.2	—	—	5	—	5
Milo PD	2,279	3	—	1.3	—	—	3	—	3
Greenville PD	1,599	3	—	1.9	—	—	3	—	3
Total Piscataquis	16,751	20	—	1.2	—	—	20	—	20
Sagadahoc SO	13,069	19	—	1.6	—	2	19	2	21
Bath PD	8,322	18	1	2.9	2	3	20	4	24
Topsham PD	8,891	12	2	1.7	1	—	13	2	15
Richmond PD	3,477	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Phippsburg PD	2,274	1	—	0.4	—	—	1	—	1
Total Sagadahoc	36,033	54	3	1.8	3	5	57	8	65
Somerset SO	31,740	22	1	0.8	—	3	22	4	26
Fairfield PD	6,531	11	1	1.8	—	—	11	1	12
Skowhegan PD	8,202	11	5	2.1	—	1	11	6	17
Pittsfield PD	3,971	6	—	1.8	1	—	7	—	7
Total Somerset	50,444	50	7	1.2	1	4	51	11	62
Waldo SO	30,058	21	1	0.8	—	2	21	3	24
Belfast PD	6,681	15	1	2.5	—	1	15	2	17
Searsport PD	2,635	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Islesboro PD	560	1	—	1.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Waldo	39,934	40	2	1.1	—	3	40	5	45
Washington SO	22,329	14	2	0.8	1	1	15	3	18
Calais PD	2,993	6	1	2.3	—	—	6	1	7
Eastport PD	1,258	—	1	0.8	—	—	—	1	1
Machias PD	2,007	3	—	1.5	—	—	3	—	3
Baileyville PD	1,439	5	—	3.5	—	—	5	—	5
Milbridge PD	1,288	1	—	0.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Washington	31,314	29	4	1.1	1	1	30	5	35
York SO	51,455	28	2	0.7	2	3	30	5	35
Biddeford PD	21,530	52	5	3.9	13	14	65	19	84
Kittery PD	9,855	21	1	2.9	2	5	23	6	29
Old Orchard Beach PD	9,061	20	2	2.8	—	3	20	5	25
Saco PD	20,133	26	5	2.3	7	9	33	14	47
Sanford PD	21,272	35	4	2.0	—	4	35	8	43
Berwick PD	7,944	12	—	1.6	—	1	12	1	13
Eliot PD	6,990	7	—	1.1	—	1	7	1	8
Kennebunk PD	11,719	18	5	2.2	1	2	19	7	26
Kennebunkport PD	3,671	13	—	4.9	3	2	16	2	18
North Berwick PD	4,744	7	1	1.9	—	1	7	2	9
Ogunquit PD	932	10	1	12.9	—	1	10	2	12
South Berwick PD	7,605	10	—	1.4	—	1	10	1	11
Wells PD	10,803	21	3	3.1	3	6	24	9	33
York PD	13,377	23	3	2.8	6	5	29	8	37
Buxton PD	8,360	7	1	1.7	1	5	8	6	14
Total York	209,451	310	33	2.1	38	63	348	96	444
All Other Dept. of Pub. Sfty.	—	16	1	—	12	4	28	5	33
Maine State Police	—	274	28	—	47	71	321	99	420
Totals	1,350,141	2,144	203	2.2	203	363	2,347	566	2,913